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## News Items From Bennington

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shea and children of Connecticut spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Shea.

Radar Man Robert Wilson, son of Mrs. Walter Wilson, has thirty days' leave.

Herman Skinner, MP, is spending a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Skinner, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Horton Glenn of Hartford, were with their children this past weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. James Boyle and children from Newton, and Marjorie Edwards from Petersboro, were with their father, George Edwards, on Sunday.

Mrs. Herbert Fennerty is ill at her home on Hancock Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Cuddemi were at home from their work in Connecticut this past weekend.

George MacKay of Hartford spent the weekend with his family.

Muriel Braid, who is in school in Boston, is spending the holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Braid.

All rooms in the Pierce School are planning their own Christmas parties. School closes on Friday afternoon.

A beautiful Cantata will be given by the Girls' Choir at the Congregational Church on Sunday. On Friday afternoon at 3 P. M. the children of the Sunday School will have their Christmas tree party and gifts.

LESTER RICH

The memory of Lester Rich, private in the Infantry overseas, was honored in the Congregational church on Sunday night. The American Legion was in charge of the service. Rev. Harrison Packard delivered the oration, and Mrs. Butterfield and Mrs. Sweatt of Antrim sang two beautiful selections.

On our honor roll are two gold stars: one for Calvin Brown and one for Lester Rich. We hope and pray every day for the speedy return of our boys from over there.

Wounded and convalescent veterans, hospitalized in this country, will receive "Baskets of Sunshine" on Christmas morning, as will also thousands of "Shut Ins" at home, in Hospitals and Old Folks Homes, from 1,700 Salvationist Army centers throughout America.

## Among the Churches

### ANTRIM

#### Baptist Church

Rev. Ralph H. Tibbals, Pastor

Sunday, December 24 (Christmas Sunday)

Church School, 9:45

Morning worship, 11. The pastor will preach on "Why Christmas?" Special music.

Union service, 7:00, in the Presbyterian church. A Christmas cantata will be rendered by the union choir.

#### Presbyterian Church

Sunday, December 24, 1944

Morning worship at 10:30. Subject of the sermon, "The Angels Speak. Anthems, 'The Lord is Come' by Holton, 'The Joyous Song' by Pike.

Union Christmas Eve service in this church at 7 p. m. The combined choirs, under the leadership of Mrs. Albert E. Thornton and Stanley E. Spencer will render the cantata, "Chimes of the Holy Night" by Holton and von Berge.

#### Antrim Center

#### Congregational Church

Service of Worship Sunday morning at 9:45

#### Bennington Congregational Church

Bennington, N. H.

11:00 a. m. Morning worship. 12:00 m. Sunday School.

#### S. Patrick's Church

Bennington, N. H.

Hours of Masses on Sunday 8:15 and 10 o'clock.



## A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

by Paul S. Scruton

At this Christmas season our thoughts here at home are with you servicemen and women all over the world, wherever you may be on land or sea or in the air.

There is a hush that deepens with the night as we look from the windows of our homes, yours and ours, to the sky above and see the stars up there in the deep blue of the Heavens, and there comes back to our consciousness the assurance that some day the noisy tremors of a world at war will subside and all mankind will again live with dignity and pride in the triumph of right over wrong.

Hope is justifiably strong at this Christmastide that a great new epoch in the affairs of men and nations may not be far away, and that from out of the suffering and wanton waste of war will spring a lasting peace worthy of the sentiments we hold dear at this Yuletide season—Yes, as the tides of war recede and nations strive to perpetuate the true ideals of Peace on Earth, Goodwill to Men, we dream of the Christmas of tomorrow.

You out there will be thinking of home and family on Christmas, with beautiful memories of other years

gone by when you played soldiers and sailed boats in the bath tub and can almost remember your first Christmas tree. You will know this year that more twinkling lights and holly wreaths and gleaming Christmas trees reflect all the loving thoughts in return, realizing that in your America the spirit of "Good Will" despite a world at war—still lives in the hearts of men everywhere. This Christmas of 1944 is the first in many years to bring tidings of "Peace on Earth"—not yet complete, but, please God, not far off.

And so in closing we want you to know that our hearts are filled with pride because of you boys and girls of the old home towns who are doing the job of making other Christmases peaceful and beautiful for the little children, born and yet to be born in this great Nation. God bless you, every one.

There is something about Christmas that never changes even in a war period, and I guess it's because all of us who think we are mature are only kids grown up, that's all, and have the same desire in our hearts to

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## Lisabel Gay's Column

### Christmas Greetings to Everybody

To many this holiday season is likely to seem different from any other we have known. But regardless of the changes that have come to many homes due to the war, sickness or various other reasons, Christmas is Christmas and just the same as always. The story of the Christ Child, the star that shone over Bethlehem, the shepherds and wise men are just as wonderful as ever. It's the story that never changes, but is always new. Peace and good will may now seem a bit illusive, but if we

### "THE CLOTHES LINE"

This Christmas, in many lands, our young men are more than soldiers.

They are living symbols of hope... hope for peace... hope for a world where decent men every where can lift their heads and hearts without fear.

We are grateful for their sacrifices to bring us one more Christmas nearer to final peace.

TASKER'S

small folks can keep plenty of good will active in our own small worlds, peace is sure to come in time, even to the big world.

It's up to all who can to be happy at this particular Christmas time and radiate our happiness, so some of it may be absorbed by others in need of help.

For the "stay at homes" who have time, why not read again Dickens' "Christmas Carol" and share with old Scrooge his awakening to the joys of Christmas? Years ago we used to read and often dramatized "The Birds' Christmas Carol" by Kate Douglas Wiggin and I hope I never grow too old to hear Santa Claus and his prancing reindeer on the rooftops in "The Night Before Christmas."

S. M. Stokes was headmaster of H. H. S. more than 20 years ago, but now a member of the Mt. Holyoke college faculty. Dr. Stokes' brother was recently installed head of the U. of N. H. His daughters, Barbara and Janet, are students at Mt. Holyoke.

For the first time in her life Miss Mary Hearty is away from

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ARTHUR E. HOWE  
Claremont, N. H.

## Henniker

The Women's Society of the Congregational church held a Christmas party for the Junior choir on Wednesday, December 13. Mrs. Wilbur Parmenter and Mrs. Wayne Holmes were the program committee, assisted by Miss Elizabeth Thomas, choir director.

A son was born December 17 to Mr. and Mrs. Steward Carmichael at the Margaret Pillsbury hospital, Concord.

Miss Christine Goss of the Children's Convalescent Home in Wellesley Hills, Mass., has returned to her studies after a few days at home.

Those who served at the bond booth in Chase's store during the sixth war loan drive were Mrs. Walter Patten, Miss Mary E. Maxwell, Mrs. Harry T. Garland, Mrs. Merton Lake, Mrs. Edward Fisher, Miss Jean Maxwell, Mrs. Harold W. Aver, Mrs. Grover C. Annis, Mrs. Joseph W. Cox and Mrs. Robert S. Goss.

Mrs. Rena Farrer quietly observed her 84th birthday at her home on Wednesday, December 20. She was remembered with many cards and gifts. Old friends called during the day to make it a pleasant occasion.

Miss Joyce Garland of Boston was home for the weekend.

Miss Olive Marshall was in Con-tocook Friday evening to attend the Senior play.

Christmas will be well observed by the community this week. On Thursday night there will be a play and operetta by the 7th and 8th grades at the Cogswell Memorial Auditorium under the direction of their teacher, Randolph Gregory. The play is entitled "Mrs. Santa Comes Into Her Own" and the operetta is "When Christmas Comes." It begins at 7:30 o'clock and everyone is invited to attend. On Friday evening will be the Christmas tree and program by the children of the Sunday School

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GREETINGS TO ALL

Antrim Fruit Store  
Antrim, N. H.

## Church Services, Events - It's Christmas Time Again

### Speaking Contest At Pierce School

On Wednesday evening, December 13, the Pierce School upper grades presented a prize speaking contest. The admission was a purchase of a 25c war stamp.

The program consisted of the following: First prize, "The Deacon's Masterpiece," Bernard Grant; second prize, "The Railroad Track," Richard Wheeler; honorable mention: "The Two Church Builders," Patricia Diamond; "An Incident in a French Camp," David Wilbur; "The Old Flag Forever," Daniel McKay. The rest of the program was as follows:

"An Address on Our Flag," Maurice Wilson; "The Building of a Ship," Verna Davidson; "Abraham Lincoln," Sylvio Zanga; "The Gettysburg Address," Delbert Sargent; "Old Ironsides," Richard Grant; "Columbus," Raymond Cernota; "The Blind Men and the Elephant," Theodore Merrill; "Anty Doeful's Visit," Stella Cernota; "The Village Blacksmith," Sammy Zuchos; "A Capitol Ship," Donald Clough; "The Dusk of the South," David Traxler; "The Enchanted Shirt," Carroll Warren; "The Housewife's Song," Thelma Chamberlain.

The songs and music were in charge of Miss K. Shea, supervisor of music.

Dancing was enjoyed at the close of the program, music by Lindsay's Orchestra.

### ANTRIM LOCALS

Corp. Robert Champney is at home from Camp Cook, Cal. for a 10-day furlough.

Mr. and Mrs. George Staples and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Staples and daughter, Karen, from West Somerville, Mass., were Sunday guests at Byron Butterfield's.

Mrs. Kate Dodge Kendall, a native of Antrim, died in Milford last week at the age of 87. She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Alice K. Montgomery, with whom she lived, a son, Lee Kendall, and three grandchildren.

Rev. and Mrs. H. L. Packard are leaving Tuesday for a few months stay in West Palm Beach, Fla.

A committee from the Congregational church has been appointed to arrange for the services it may be possible to hold during Mr. Packard's absence, and they will be announced from time to time.

Guy Hollis shot a 10-point buck last week. Other successful hunters were John Thornton, Richard Wallace and Arthur English.

Oscar Clark, GM 2/c, has completed his training at Sampson, N. Y., and has been home on a short furlough. With his family, he spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Clark, Sr.

Mrs. Hattie Trow, 87, widow of Rev. Joseph H. Trow, died recently at her home in Plymouth. She was a resident of Antrim many years ago when her husband was pastor of the Methodist church, and was held in high esteem by all who knew her.

## MERRY CHRISTMAS AND



WITH victory in sight, we wish for you and ourselves a peacetime Christmas in 1945.

BUTTERFIELD'S  
ANTRIM, N. H.

Observing a two day Christmas holiday in much the traditional way, marked only by the absence of service men and women, Catholic and Protestant churches alike have planned services for members of their respective creeds.

The Girl Scouts, assisted by their leaders, Mrs. Fuglestad, Mrs. Bezio, Mrs. Ashford and Mrs. Edwards, and Jane Pratt, leader of the Brownie Scouts, held a Christmas party at the Presbyterian vestry Monday evening. Santa Claus was present to distribute the gifts, which were embroidered towels and woven baskets for the mothers and bookmarks, also many gifts which he had brought for the girls. There was an entertainment of recitations, a play and carols by the children and the audience. Refreshments of ice cream and cookies were served. About one hundred were present.

About forty attended the Odd Fellows' Christmas party last Saturday evening. Carols were sung, accompanied by Miss Ruth Blanchard and "Happy" Amott. Gifts were exchanged and refreshments served.

The Brownie Scouts were entertained at the home of their leader, Miss Jane Pratt, one evening last week, at a Christmas supper party. The table was unusually attractive with a centerpiece of Santa Claus and his reindeer. The menu consisted of hot chicken salad, rolls, snowball cup cakes, ice cream, nut cups, cocoa. After the supper Santa Claus appeared and distributed presents to all, and the evening was well enjoyed.

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Mrs. Ruth Heath has returned from Baltimore, Md., where she has been for the past two months.

Mrs. Lottie Cleveland was at her home the last of the week and Reginald joined her for the week-end, both returning to Manchester Sunday afternoon.

1st Lieut. Frederick "Buddy" Hardwick of the Ferry Command is spending a furlough with his mother in Petersboro and was in town Sunday to visit his aunt, Mrs. John Thornton, and other friends.

Sgt. Wendell Fox is on furlough from California to spend Christmas with Mrs. Fox.

William E. Leonard has recently purchased the registered Brown Swiss bull, King's Grant Murray's Nickle, 66607, from Ralph R. Johnson, Hampton, according to a report from Fred S. Idtse, Secretary of the Brown Swiss Cattle Breeders' Association, Beloit, Wisconsin.

Harold Roberts, "Ding" Madden and George Edwards, are at home from Mt. Hermon for the holidays.

Mrs. Gerald Miller and two children from Penacook have been guests for a few days of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Humphrey. Mr. Humphrey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Humphrey, from Suncook, were also weekend guests.

Mrs. Harry Blood visited with her sister in Keene last week. Her niece, Corinne Young, returned with her for two weeks.

Miss Amy Butterfield is at home from Plattsburg, N. Y. for the holidays.

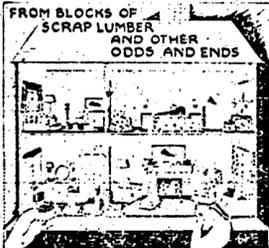
The ladies of the Baptist church held their annual Indian Christmas tea party at the parsonage last Friday afternoon. The gifts were for the Crow Indians in Lodge Grass, Montana.



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# GOD IS MY CO-PILOT

Col. Robert L. Scott WNU RELEASE

The story thus far: After graduating from West Point as a second lieutenant Robert Scott wins his wings at Kelly Field and takes up pursuit flying. When the war breaks out he is an instructor in California and told he is too old for combat flying. He appeals to several Generals for a chance to fly a combat plane, and finally the opportunity comes. He says goodbye to his wife and child and flies a bomber to India, where he becomes a ferry pilot, which does not appeal to him. He visits General Chennault and is promised a Kittyhawk, and soon is flying the skies over Burma in a shining Kittyhawk. He gets his first Jap bomber and goes out on many lone missions over enemy territory.

## CHAPTER XIV

But I had seen enough. Even though this bridge was being built of bamboo, they were making it very strong, for the abutments were of heavier lumber and of stone. The Japanese were evidently planning to transport trucks, tanks, or some other heavier equipment North. I went right back to Dinjan and had Sergeant Bonner strap on a nice 500-pound bomb with a delayed action fuse. At any rate the armament men told him it was a ten-second delay fuse. This type of target had to be hit exactly, and if I were to glide in for a dead shot I'd surely get shot down by all the anti-aircraft. So I made up my mind long before I got there to turn it loose just as low as I could fly. Even if I missed the bridge by only fifty yards, which is close for dive-bombing in ships not made for that type of work, I'd knock a lot of leaves off the trees, make a big noise, and maybe kill some gunners. But the abutments of the bridge had to be hit just about dead center if I was to make the Japs stop work.

I came in to the target from the West, with the sun right at my back. I flew so low that I was afraid the little windmill on the nose of the bomb would get knocked off by the bushes. And then, as I saw the bridge, I let the bomb go. All hell broke loose.

When I got back home I looked at "Old Exterminator" and I couldn't see why it hadn't spun in right there over the N'umzup. There were holes as big as footballs in the fabric flippers and in the metal stabilizers of the tail section. There was a hole in the fuselage and five holes in the wing. But I guess the hill just East of the target had saved me.

As the June days passed, Colonel Haynes was moved to China to head the Bomber Command under General Chennault, and I was left alone as Commanding Officer of the Ferrying Command. On the day the cheerful Haynes left, I felt as if I had lost my best and last friend. For this meant that I'd have to stay on the ground more, and work the administration as well as the operations of the ABC, which was getting tougher and tougher with all the rice we were having to drop and the passengers we were having to haul.

On the one day that I stayed on the ground, it seemed to me that every time I looked up from the desk that I was "flying," some long, lanky tea planter would be standing there in the door in sun-helmet and shorts. With his bony knees sticking out, he'd ask me in cold clipped accents: "I say old chap—do you have transportation for Calcutta?"

From over near Sadiya, we had gotten eight elephants, tame ones, and were working them to move some heavy timbers to be used on the warehouses of the new field. There was an old Southern sergeant who took good care of the pachyderms. He must have been a muleskinner in either the first World War or the border war with Mexico, for he did everything in his power to keep the eight elephants dry and well-fed and content. Even when he tied the chains to their legs at night, he would wrap the links with cloth to keep them from chafing the thick skin of the big beasts.

Another sergeant, from about the same section of the country that the old elephant caretaker hailed from, came by one day and looked the stalls over with a quizzical eye. "Say, Micky," he called back as he left, "you're taking too good care of those elephants. You're going to get 'em so comfortable that the Yankees will come down here and free 'em."

Bob Layher, one of the AVG pilots, came over for several days, and we drank good Scotch whiskey at night and flew our planes across into Burma in the day—when I didn't have to get passengers on the freight ships. I learned a lot, flying on his wing. We'd go over for a look at Myitkyina, and it would amaze me how effortlessly, without apparent effort, Bob would get our ships into the sun before we came within sight of the field we were to observe. I picked up little things like that as I flew with him, and they helped me later.

On the twentieth of June, members of the Army Board that had been appointed to inspect the AVG passed through Assam, and my hopes faded of ever getting over to work under General Chennault. I knew that out of those Colonels, the powers-that-be had surely picked some lucky one to get the greatest job in the world. This was of course that of commanding the AVG after it came into the Army, with its nucleus of old AVG personnel and the new pilots as replacements from home in the States. General Chen-

nault was to be the Task Force Commander and was to be over the Fighter Group and the Bomber Force.

If the Scotch hadn't given out, I would have got drunk that night. But instead I went on another strafing raid in the late afternoon, and had to land after dark.

So I took it out in action. I bombed Homalin and the railroad yards at Mongaung the next day, and strafed the field at Myitkyina coming back. During the ensuing days until the 26th of June, I carried out attacks on barges near Bhamo, and on one trip went to Shwebo and almost to Mandalay, making a round trip of nearly nine hundred miles. I strafed the field at Maymyo, caught a train on the railroad North of town, and set it on fire. It was anything for action—and the engine of "Old Exterminator" got pretty rough at times, for by then I had three hundred and sixty hours on it and my mechanics had had little experience with Allison.

That night, when I got home from my trip into Burma, I was handed a radiogram that saved my life. As



Sergeant LaRue of the 23rd Fighter Group. Everything has happened fast in this war, and the organization of the 23rd Fighter Group was no exception. There was no holiday, even if it was activated on the Fourth of July.

I read it my face must have turned white; I know that tears came to my eyes, for I felt them burn. But I didn't care. I was ordered to report in Kunming, China, to General Chennault, as Commanding Officer of the 23rd Fighter Group which was to be activated from the AVG on July 4, 1942. I wiped the tears from my eyes and looked out on an improving world. I could hear the birds singing again, and people were laughing; I knew I was the luckiest man in all the world.

I carefully folded the radiogram to show my grandchildren when the war was over and went out to look at my ship. For I had something else on my mind too. I was going to go into Burma the next day on four of the damndest strafing and bombing raids the Japs had ever seen. It would be my swan-song from Assam and I had to celebrate in some way or another.

I told my crew to load a 500-pound HE on "Old Exterminator," and I walked around looking the old ship over. Somehow I figured that Kittyhawk had had a lot to do with getting me the greatest job in the war. It's not every man who finally gets what he has always wanted in the Army—after being pulled out of fighters for being too old, after being shanghaied into being a Burma-roadster, important as the job had been. Well, I had got what I wanted and I felt as though I could jump over the moon. I patted the leering shark's mouth on old 41-1456, and caressed the prop that had taken me in and out of many messes. Then I left, while they pulled the belly tank and put the big, fat, yellow bomb under the belly, and tightened the sway braces. The sight of that bomb made me feel pretty good.

Next morning before dawn I was in the air, my course set for Homalin. As I climbed out above the clouds I began to recite poetry in rhythm with the engine. To the verses of "Gunga Din" I dropped my first bomb of the day on the docks of Homalin. Then I flew back home with the words of the "Galley Slave" going out over the radio in private broadcast to the world. On my next trip I dropped a five-hundred-pounder on a barge at Bhamo and came back and strafed the much-abused Myitkyina. My third attack was on the railroad station at Mogaung and I strafed the empty freight-cars in the yard. I had to use a belly tank on the fourth trip, and so I couldn't take a big bomb. But I loaded on six eighteen-pound frags and set sail for Lashio. I remembered to drop the belly tank before I went down into the anti-aircraft, and I dropped the six little frags in two of the big green warehouses by the railroad tracks. I shot up the field but saw no planes, and I finished my ammunition by strafing the main street of the town. I saw two plate-glass windows spatter across the street like artificial

snow from a Christmas tree, and I laughed hysterically as two figures ran from a pagoda.

That day I landed back home tired and happy. More orders had come for me: I was to go to Delhi before I went to China. I went there the next morning with "Long Johnny" Payne.

When I had received my official instructions from headquarters in Delhi, and had been wined and dined by good friends—war correspondents like Berrigan, Magoffin, and Briggs—I came on back to pack my things in Assam. I tried to take the old fighter ship with me, but my crew had chiselled a new Allison engine from somewhere—had probably stolen it from some ship, but I didn't know where. So I went on over in a transport, expecting to come back later and ferry "Old Exterminator" to his new home.

As we came down into the rain over the lake South of Kunming, I never have felt so good. This was another step to the East, towards Japan, and when I got out and saw all those sleek-looking fighting ships that my Group was going to receive from the AVG in five days, my spirits soared another mile in the air. I was through with all that lonesome "one-man war" stuff. From now on we'd be fighting as a team, with bombers escorted by fighter ships in a proper force to represent America.

I had already met most of the members of the First American Volunteer Group, but it was an even greater pleasure to meet them now. Some of them were men who were going to stay with the 23rd Fighter Group and fight under me. Of all the honors that I ever have received or ever will receive, the greatest to me will always be the honor of being given command of that great group of sky fighters under the Command of Gen. Claire L. Chennault.

During the four days that followed I took over the military equipment of the Group from the Commander of the squadron that was based at Kunming, and I got my headquarters staff organized. In this Army, Master Sergeants showing officers what to do have always been the backbone of a fighting force, and I will never forget Master Sergeant McNeven. I was certainly expecting to lead the group in its fights against the Japanese, and the administrative work that the Sergeant Major of the 23rd Fighter Group accomplished so efficiently made it possible for me to fly and have the paper-work go on at the same time.

Later in the week I heard that "Old Exterminator" was ready with a new engine. But with the report came another that some other Group was moving into Assam, and that the engineering officer had stated he knew nothing about that ship 41-1456 belonging to the Chinese Government. It would stay in India, he said. I went on and flew back to India in one of the P-40E's that we had just received from the factory that repairs them in China.

Landing at my old base, I waited until dark, and then had the numbers on the ship that I had flown in exchanged with those of my old fighter. For morale purposes alone, we had to have that ship in the 23rd Group. All this change involved was a stenciling operation to put 41-1456 on the ship that I had flown from China, and another to put on "Old Exterminator" the serial number of the fighter that I was leaving in India.

So, early the next morning, July 3, 1942, "me and the old Kittyhawk," wended our happy way across the hills and jungles of Burma to Kunming and more adventures together. From that moment, we left the Air Corps number 41-1456 on that insignificant ship in India, and for all practical purposes the old P-40E that I had used for sixty-three days over Burma became another number, but it would always be "Old Exterminator" to me. In those two months we'd flown together 371 hours over enemy territory and we were more than friends. That is somewhat over eighty thousand miles, and in combat that's a long, long way.

Everything has happened fast in this war, and the organization of the 23rd Fighter Group was no exception. There was no holiday, even if it was activated on the Fourth of July. There was no time for celebration. Radio Tokyo started right off with a bang, and we definitely knew hard work was ahead. On the night of July 3, Radio Tokyo—the one program we could ever hear in China—warned the new American fighter group that they would quickly annihilate them, for it was common knowledge that the experienced AVG personnel were leaving for America. But Tokyo had reckoned without the strategic brain of the General, or the loyalty of those great pilots of the First American Volunteer Group.

The General was expecting an attack on Independence Day anyway, for the Japs had always shown an affinity for raids on our holidays. When the Japs arrived over Kweilin, expecting to find green and inexperienced fighter pilots, they found many American boys who for weeks had been flying with the AVG.  
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## HOUSEHOLD HINTS

Sitting on the edge of a mattress weakens the edge and causes it to sag.

Wax ash trays with floor wax to prevent ashes from sticking to tray.

Add a handful of salt to the last rinse in cold weather, and the clothes will not freeze as they are hung out.

For a glazed appearance on pies, brush lightly with cream, or beaten egg and water, before placing in the oven.

When putting a dish directly on ice put a rubber jar ring under it to prevent the dish from slipping off the ice.

Lay your vacuum cleaner on the floor and pass your dust mop back and forth before the opening to clean the mop.

Use discarded tea leaves to clean the inside of a flower vase. Moisten the leaves with vinegar and let stand in vase overnight. Next morning apply warm soap suds to finish the job.

To remove coffee, tea or chocolate stains, sprinkle them with corax and soak in cold water. After soaking, pour boiling water through the cloth and the stain will disappear.

Weights on the barn and shed doors should be adjusted so that the doors will close by themselves, thus avoiding the necessity of stopping to set down a couple of pails or a sack of feed to close the door.

When grown indoors in window box or in flowerpots, herbs do best in a south window where they get plenty of sunlight.

### Candidate Charged Public To Hear Campaign Talks

Following his announcement that he was a candidate for the Democratic nomination for President in the 1972 election, George Francis Train made over 1,000 speeches; yet his name was not mentioned at the convention, says Collier's.

However, his disappointment was assuaged by the \$90,000 that he had made by charging admission to his campaign addresses, the only time such a scheme ever succeeded in this country.

### MOTHER GRAY'S SWEET POWDERS

Has merited the confidence of mothers for more than 45 years. Good for children who suffer occasional constipation and for all the family when a pleasantly acting laxative is needed. Package of 16 easy-to-take powders, 50c. Be sure to ask for Mother Gray's Sweet Powders. At all drug stores. Caution: use only as directed.

### STRAINS, SORENESS CUTS, BURNS

A favorite household antiseptic dressing and liniment for 98 years—Handford's BALSAM OF MYRRH! It contains soothing gums to relieve the soreness and ache of over-used and strained muscles. Takes the sting and itch out of burns, scalds, insect bites, oak and ivy poisoning, wind and sun burn, chafing and chapped skin. Its antiseptic action lessens the danger of infection whenever the skin is cut or broken.

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### Balsam of Myrrh



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### When Your Back Hurts

And Your Strength and Energy Is Below Par

It may be caused by disorder of kidney function that permits poisonous waste to accumulate. For truly many people feel tired, weak and miserable when the kidneys fail to remove excess acids and other waste matter from the blood.

You may suffer aching backache, rheumatic pains, headaches, dizziness, getting up nights, leg pains, swelling. Sometimes frequent and scanty urination with smarting and burning is another sign that something is wrong with the kidneys or bladder.

There should be no doubt that prompt treatment is wiser than neglect. Use Doan's Pills. It is better to rely on a medicine that has won country-wide approval than on something less favorably known. Doan's have been tried and tested many years. Are at all drug stores. Get Doan's today.

### DOAN'S PILLS

## Intricate, Costly Watches Are Made for Collectors

Several modern watches made for collectors have required as long as eight years to design and manufacture, and have cost as much as \$15,000, says Collier's.

Besides a dozen time and calendar dials, they contain such meteorological instruments as a thermometer, hygrometer, barometer and altimeter, and such celestial charts as the one that shows the positions of the visible constellations at every hour.



HE HAS YOUR BATTERY

Jap pill-boxes and gun emplacements are "knocked out" fast when deadly bazookas go into action! It takes a trained two-man team and battery-power to keep these portable weapons firing. Batteries that once were made for homes and farms are now sent to serve our fighting men. Use your available Burgess Battery sparingly... keep them cool and dry. For Free Battery Hints—Write Dept. U-5, Burgess Battery Company, Freeport, Illinois.

### Write to Your Serviceman Today!



## SNAPPY FACTS ABOUT RUBBER

Former Rubber Director Dewey expressed the opinion that the inevitable industrialization of South American and Asiatic countries following the war will mean a world demand for rubber far beyond the capacity of the plantations that existed before the war—an opinion that should encourage the protection of our synthetic plants.

The super-bondor B-29 carries about 5,000 pounds of rubber. Close to two tons are required to make its 30 bullet-sealing fuel tanks alone. There are more than 200 rubber items in this giant fortress of the air.



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Take good-tasting tonic many doctors recommend

Catch cold easily? Listless? Tire quickly? Help tone up your system! Take Scott's Emulsion—contains natural A & D Vitamins your diet may be lacking. It's great! Buy today. All druggists.



### HENNIKER LOCAL SECTION

The COURIER is on sale each week at the Henniker Pharmacy. D. A. Maxwell, representative. Tel. 35-2

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of the Congregational church. The Methodist tree and program will be Saturday evening at 7.30 and on Sunday evening in the Congregational church there will be a cantata by the Junior choir. Sunday morning both churches will have special services with Christmas sermons and extra music.

Azalea Rebekah Lodge met on Thursday evening with the noble grand, Mrs. Frederick Connor presiding. Following the business meeting Christmas carols were sung and gifts exchanged. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Connor and Mrs. Francis Davison, assisted by others.

Mrs. Sarah Clark is working for Mrs. Charles Howard at Concord. Mrs. Robert Bassett has gone to Virginia to spend Christmas with her husband.

Mrs. Edna Mercier is working for Mrs. Raymond Peaslee. Home games in basketball are scheduled as follows this season: Jan. 5, Hopkinton; Jan. 19, Sunapee; Jan. 23, Weare; Jan. 28, Warner; Jan. 30, Hillsboro; Feb. 9, New London.

Miss Ercel Hall has gone to San Francisco, Calif., to visit friends. Mrs. Robert Messer is in Bradford on Sunday, Dec. 10 to attend the wedding of Miss Iona Edwards to Ralph Messer.

Mrs. Lynda Simpson of Big Sur, Calif., has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Harold Connor.

Mrs. E. M. Cogswell is now in Miami, Fla., for the winter.

Philip Homo passed his physical examination and Joseph Clement passed for limited service.

Mrs. Vose of Pepperell, Mass., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Charles

Ernest.

Mrs. Myron Hazen is working for Arthur Kendrick.

Mrs. Eva Woodward is working for Mrs. Leon Hill of Hillsboro.

F. A. Sargent is visiting Mrs. William Eastler of Waltham, Mass. Mr. and Mrs. Cary Dramer and three children of Wilmington, Mass., have moved into Lawrence Norton's house.

Mrs. William Childs was high scorer at the whist party held by Bear Hill Grange on Monday evening. Prizes for women were won by Blanche Matthews, Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Clayton Pike, Mrs. Arden Moody and Mrs. Ben Cram. Prizes for the men were won by G. A. Waterman, Arthur Kendrick, Fred Connor, William L. Childs and Ben Cram.

Cpl. Norman Clapp of Camp Rucker, Ala., has been transferred to Camp Shelby, Miss.

Mrs. Fred Myers of Franklin, N. J., is visiting Mrs. Willis Cogswell.

The Junior class held a social at the Cogswell Memorial Auditorium on Friday evening. A Christmas tree was held and Santa Claus distributed gifts to all. Dancing followed and refreshments were served.

Miss Carolyn Steele spent the weekend at Durham where she attended the inauguration of Dr. Harold Stokes as President of the University of New Hampshire.

The high school boys' and girls' basketball team played Goffstown Tuesday night in the auditorium with both local teams the winners. The girls' game was close all the way and hard fought, the Henniker Girls finally winning 26-21. The boys' game was more like a hurricane when it swept the Goffstown boys 40-12.

Mr. and Mrs. George Vallancourt of Hillsboro have announced the birth of a daughter Faith on Dec. 15 at Margaret Pillsbury Hospital, Concord. Mrs. Vallancourt was Elinor Parmenter.

S. Sgt. Henry L. Levesque of Orlando, Fla., is home on furlough. Schools will close Friday to reopen on Tuesday, Jan. 2.

Deer were shot the past week by Albert Jones, Frank Goss, Roby Wood, Edmund Perry, Russell Bishopric, Arthur Morse and Allen Morse.

T. Sgt. George Parmenter is now stationed at the Army Air Field in Amarillo, Texas.

### CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

All advertisements appearing under this head 2 cents a word; minimum charge 35 cents. Extra insertions of same adv. 1 cent a word; minimum charge 20 cents. PAYABLE IN ADVANCE.

#### FOR RENT HEATED ROOMS and APARTMENTS

Two or three room Apartments, furnished or unfurnished, with Hot Water.

See Mr. Jabre, 25 Depot St. 5-7 P. M. or all day Saturday.

#### LOST

LOST—Will the person who picked up the twenty dollar bill in the First National Store, Saturday morning, please return it to Allan Seymour and get reward.

#### FOR SALE

FOR SALE—200 sheets used steel roofing. Buster Davis, Hillsboro, N. H. 47tf

FOR SALE—One of the nicest homes in Hillsboro. See A. A. Yeaton, Hillsboro. 18tf

—Rubber Stamps for every need, made to order, 48c and up. Messenger Office. 2tf

—Greeting cards for all occasions. Come in and look them over. For sale by Lisabel Gay, The Cardateria, 47 School St., Hillsboro. 53tf

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#### WANTED

WANTED—Hay, loose or baled—truck or carload. Write P. Wortman, Route 2, Fitchburg, Mass. 48tf

WANTED—Woman, middle-aged for rooming house work. See Mr. Jabre, Depot street. 48tf

#### MATTHEWS' BARBER SHOP

Next to Crosby's Restaurant  
Open Closed  
Mon., Tues., Thurs. 8 a.m. 5:30 p.m.  
Wednesday 8 a.m. Noon  
Friday 8 a.m. 8 p.m.  
Saturday 8 a.m. 10 p.m.

#### Legal Notices

**ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE**  
The subscriber gives notice that he has been duly appointed Administrator of the Estate of Flora L. Griswold, late of Bennington, in the County of Hillsborough, deceased.

All persons indebted to said Estate are requested to make payment, and all having claims to present them for adjustment.

Notice is hereby given that Marion J. Cleary of Bennington, in said County of Hillsborough, has been appointed resident agent, to whom all claims against said Estate may be presented.

Dated November 25, 1944.  
48-50s WILLIAM A. GRISWOLD

**CONSERVATOR'S NOTICE**  
Notice is hereby given, that the Subscriber has been duly appointed by the Judge of Probate for the County of Merrimack, Conservator of the estate of Della P. Gregory of Henniker, in said County.

All persons indebted to the said Della P. Gregory are requested to make immediate payment to the subscriber, and all having claims, to present them for adjustment.

DIAMOND A. MAXWELL, Conservator

Henniker, N. H., Dec. 8, A.D., 1944.  
O.M. 50-52

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
Hillsborough, ss.

Court of Probate  
To the heirs at law of the estate of Lura A. Fletcher, late of Hillsborough, in said County, deceased, intestate, and to all others interested therein:

Whereas Bernice Gee, administratrix of the estate of said deceased, has filed in the Probate Office for said County, the final account of her administration of said estate:

You are hereby cited to appear at a Court of Probate to be held at Amherst, in said County, on the 29th day of December next, to show cause if any you have, why the same should not be allowed.

Said administratrix is ordered to serve this citation by causing the same to be published once each week for three successive weeks in the Hillsborough Messenger, a newspaper printed at Hillsborough, in said County, the last publication to be at least seven days before said Court.

Given at Nashua, in said County, this 27th day of November, A.D. 1944.

By order of the Court,  
WILFRED J. BOISCLAIR, Register.

49-51s \_\_\_\_\_ Register.

"You Fight When You Write"

### LISABEL GAY'S COLUMN

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home at Christmas as she is teaching at Deshou General Hospital, Butler, Pa. She may spend Christmas with her brother Edgar and family in New Rochelle, N. Y.

Vurluye and Helen Ellsworth are in Phoenix, Arizona, and Vurluye is much better than she could have been in New England. Mrs. Edith Jones is spending the winter in Winter Haven, Fla., with her sister Emma and her niece and nephew, Lois and Chester Rickey of Stoneham, Mass. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Withington are in Dunedon, Fla., where Mr. Withington is recuperating after his serious illness. Messrs. Smith and Lee of Central street are spending a busy and happy winter at Delray Beach, Fla., and Max Jaffe is in St. Petersburg.

Mrs. Marshall Derby, Mrs. Norman Murdough, Mrs. Fred Hill, Mrs. Carlton Eaton and Mrs. Maurice Barnes attended the supper and visitation of Fidelity Lodge of Rebekahs in Concord last Wednesday.

Where are all the winter birds? Certainly not in my neighborhood. All I ever see are a few pigeons and a mob of starlings. I can't even attract a bluejay. The birds of previous years never come near my cafeteria, yet I offer a variety of food and balanced diets at no extra cost. Maybe I ought to advertize or—shoot the cats.

Miss Virginia Swanson of Cambridge, Mass., was the week-end guest of Mrs. George B. Colby.

Miss Sandra Garafoli of Concord is spending part of her vacation with Mrs. Gould at Valley hotel.

Maurice Boynton came home last Wednesday to stay, for after being hospitalized he was given an honorable discharge.

Leonard Powell brought home a five point buck last week and Pearl Flint also shot a buck later in the week.

### Business Directory

For Professional service of any kind consult the Business Directory. Business firms or professional people who wish to participate in this program are urged to phone the Messenger office.

#### PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

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HILLSBORO, N. H.  
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For Group Reservations Call Antrim 101  
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Mrs. Clementine Doran, Proprietor

Every thought possible has been and is now being directed toward ways and means for getting more duck. First-hand reports from the battle fronts, which are increasing in number, stress the seriousness of the shortage of tents. So critical is this situation that WPB now must resort to the most drastic steps in getting the additional duck yardage.

—Daily News Record  
Dec. 8, 1944

### Front-line news - -

More tents are needed to protect our boys at the fighting fronts... won't you help produce the extra duck to make them? This extra demand for duck is piled on top of already urgent demands for Herringbone Twill. Yet, even now some of our looms stand idle for want of yarn which you could help us make.

Good jobs are available on our second and third shifts. Come in today—you'll earn while you learn.

At your service:

In Nashua—Monday through Friday from 7 A. M. until 5:30 P. M. Saturday 7 to 1:30. Employment Department, corner Chestnut & Factory Streets. Or Jackson Office, 137 Canal St., Mon. through Sat. 8 A. M. to 12 Noon.

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Men and women of all Divisions wear with pride this "E" pin awarded for Excellence in War Production



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Of these, 858 have left our mills at Nashua to fight for you. Will you help fill their places?

**Nashua Mfg. Co.**  
Incorporated 1823

# Merry Christmas



TO OUR FAITHFUL CUSTOMERS  
AND LOYAL EMPLOYEES  
Whitney Bus Service

**A CHRISTMAS LETTER**  
(continued from page 1)

cuddle a soft woolly dog, coast down a hill on Junior's new sled and see how the mechanism of the toys tick and what makes em go.

In memory other Christmases of years gone by, bring to mind the hanging of a big stocking the Night Before, the awakening in the morning of Christmas Day to find all the wonderful things Santa Claus had left, and the joy of living exemplified. From Mother and Dad, and Grandpa, Grandma and all the rest. Then the

old whiskered guy with the scythe and hour-glass enters the picture and old Father Time cranks out the years with ever-increasing speed and we find that life changes rapidly and after all we have but a handful of minutes left. There are so many things we had planned for, so much to do and so little time. Why not crowd as much Christmas into our lives every day instead of on just December 25? If there is anything in this reincarnation business and belief, I would like to return as Santa Claus but not until about 1960. I prefer to remain on this mundane sphere as long as possible even if my hopes of ever becoming a millionaire are shattered and my political views are changing rapidly. There are so many taxes and rents that it is hard to conceal the bare facts, but there is a war on and when it's all over, do you know who

is the real Santa Claus? The entire U. S. A., and it looks as though he would lose his shirt to say nothing of having his whiskers singed. Poor old Uncle Sammy will be a pretty skinny Santa covering the entire world. He did it before and he will do it again, but we hope not.



A Very Sincere Wish for a Blessing to All

**The Hat Shop**  
Hillsboro, N. H.

Best Wishes to My Customers

ERNE'S BARBER SHOP  
Proctor Square Henniker

COMPLIMENTS OF

*Diamond A. Maxwell*



BEST WISHES TO ALL

**Butler's Store**

Hillsboro, N. H.

## Good Wishes and Welcome

Again there will be Peace on Earth to Men of good will—this must be so—and our prayers are offered fervently that it may be soon—when our loved ones will be home with us, Victorious and at Peace.

It is our Good Wish that the safe return of every man and woman be speedy—and particularly do we ask this for you, our fellow workers, who left our midst to serve your country.

We want you to work beside us again—we need your help in the ever-increasing job we have to do. A sincere and genuine Welcome awaits you.

*This is our 1944 Christmas Message.*

*DeWitt*

PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE



Holiday Greetings to Our Customers

H. Gerini & Son  
Mrs. Evelyn Kemp  
Cy Young

TO OUR MANY FAITHFUL CUSTOMERS A VERY



**HILLSBORO GENERAL STORE**  
E. C. Beard & Son

May the Bells Ring in a HAPPY



HOLIDAY FOR ALL

**Harry's Cafe**  
Hillsboro, N. H.



BEST WISHES AND MERRY CHRISTMAS

**Rosewald Farm**  
Hillsboro, N. H.

TO OUR MANY FAITHFUL CUSTOMERS A VERY



**W. E. NEWMAN**

# to All

"You Fight When You Write"



**CHRISTMAS GREETINGS**  
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**BEST WISHES**  
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*Season's Greetings*  
Merrimack Farmers Exchange, Inc.  
Henniker, N. H.



*Christmas Greetings to Our Customers and Their Friends*  
**RED & WHITE STORE**  
Coolidge & Edmunds  
Henniker, N. H.



**GREETINGS**  
OUR sincere wishes for a happy holiday to all . . .  
**F. E. NORTON & SONS, Inc.**  
FIBRE BOARDS Henniker, N. H.



Thank you for past patronage and wishing you  
**A MERRY CHRISTMAS**  
and  
**A HAPPY NEW YEAR**  
**CARPENTER'S**  
On the Square Henniker, N. H.



*Merry Christmas*  
GREETINGS of the season to the families and friends of our customers and employes and to our servicemen.  
**CHASE'S MARKET**  
G. M. CHASE, Owner Henniker, N. H.



## Church Notes

Furnished by the Pastors of the Different Churches

### HILLSBORO

**Methodist Church Notes**  
"The Friendly Church"  
Rev. Milo Farmer, Pastor  
Friday, 7:00 p. m. Children's party. Gifts from Santa Claus. Sponsored by the Church School.

Sunday, December 24, 1944  
Church School—9:45 a. m. Adult Bible Class.  
10:45 a. m. Morning worship. Sermon topic, "Why Did Jesus Come?"

Youth Fellowship at 6:00 p. m. Practice for the "Carol Sing."

7:00 p. m. Christmas Eve Candlelight Service. A one hour service open to the public. Christmas carols and a Christmas story.

8:30 p. m. The Youth Fellowship Goes Caroling Through Hillsboro. A lighted candle in your window will bring the carolers in front of your house to sing.

**Smith Memorial Church Notes**  
Rev. Frank A. M. Coad, Pastor  
Sunday, December 24, 1944

10:30 a. m. Morning worship. Sermon by the pastor. Music by the vested choir; Elaine Coad, organist.

11 a. m. Church School. Miss Ruth Ryley, Superintendent.

**East Deering Methodist Church**  
Milo Farmer, Minister  
2:30 p. m. Worship service.



**Christmas Cheer**  
MAINE'S SHOE REPAIRING  
Hillsboro, N. H.

A  
**MERRY CHRISTMAS**  
To All  
♦  
JOSEPH VAILLANCOURT



*MERRY CHRISTMAS*  
OUR sincere wishes for a happy holiday to our customers.  
**JACKSON'S STORE**  
C. J. O'CONNOR, Mgr.



*Christmas Greetings*  
BEST WISHES for the  
NEW YEAR  
**HILLSBORO DAIRY**  
HENRY G. MARTIN, Prop.



## HENNIKER

**Congregational Church Notes**  
Rev. Woodbury Stowell, Pastor  
Sunday, December 24  
10:30 a. m. Service of worship and sermon, "Christmas Chimes."  
7 p. m. Christmas cantata.  
Friday, December 22, at 8 p. m. is the Christmas tree and program

**Methodist Church Notes**  
Rev. Earl Fellows, Pastor  
10:45 a. m. Service of worship and Christmas sermon with special music by the choir and violin music by Miss Fellows.  
12 m. Sunday School.

Saturday, December 23, at 7:30 p. m. is the Christmas tree and program.



*JOYFUL WISHES*  
**GREETINGS TO ALL**  
The Valley Hotel  
G. F. Gould, Prop.



**SEASON'S GREETINGS**  
WALLACE'S DRUG STORE



**BEST WISHES TO ALL . . .**  
MATTHEW'S BARBER SHOP



*Christmas Greetings*  
Best Wishes for  
CHRISTMAS  
**E. KURTSNER**  
Watchmaker and Jeweler  
Hillsboro




A VERY  
**Merry Christmas**  
to the  
Citizens of this  
Community  
from the  
**Messenger Publishing Co.**  
Lottie Prescott Mrs. James Leach  
Mr. and Mrs. John Van Hazinga



*Merry Christmas*  
GREETINGS of the season to the families and friends of our customers and employes and to our servicemen.  
**Crosby Brothers Restaurant**  
Hillsboro, N. H.

HAPPY HOLIDAY  BETTER NEW YEAR  
THE SEASON'S BEST TO OUR CUSTOMERS AND ALL THEIR FRIENDS  
**HALLADAY'S STORE**  
Depot Street Hillsboro, N. H.



*Merry Christmas*  
GREETINGS of the season to the families and friends of our customers and employes and to our servicemen.  
**MAPLEHURST INN**  
ANTRIM, N. H.



*Season's Greetings*  
BEST WISHES TO OUR CUSTOMERS  
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ASK ME ANOTHER? A General Quiz

The Questions

1. How many signers of the Constitution were foreign born?
2. Who kills the bull in a bull fight, the picador, the matador or the torero?
3. What is a lee shore aboard ship?
4. What American woman fought for the emancipation of woman's clothing and the wearing of trousers?
5. Can you name one prominent American statesman who violently opposed the ratification of the Constitution?
6. What are the only two countries in South America that do not touch Brazil?
7. What is the length of Lake Michigan?
8. "Maryland, My Maryland" was written by James Randall in the hope of making his state of Maryland take what stand in the Civil War?
9. What is the only crime defined in the Constitution?
10. Who can make the greater speed, an ice skater or a runner?

The Answers

1. Seven.
2. The matador.
3. The shore upon which the wind is blowing.
4. Amelia Jenks Bloomer.
5. Patrick Henry.
6. Ecuador and Chile.
7. About 235 miles.
8. Fight on the Confederate side.
9. Treason.
10. For the distance of 100 yards the speed records for running and for ice skating are exactly the same, 9.4 seconds. In longer distances skaters hold the better record. For instance, for one mile the best running record is 4 minutes, 6.7 seconds, while the best skating record is 2 minutes, 32.2 seconds.

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BLACK OR MENTHOL—5¢



NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS  
By PAUL MALLON

Released by Western Newspaper Union.

WAGE FREEZE TO BE THAWED OUT

WASHINGTON.—People here generally say Mr. Roosevelt deserves respect for his courage in standing firm upon his Little Steel wage freezing formula against the CIO unions so soon after his election victory in which CIO loudly participated (and with cash.)

His decision was part of the deal by which James Byrnes remained in the right wing of the White House to run war economics until victory in Europe.



James Byrnes

Breakage of the wage-freezing formula would have frustrated all Byrnes' efforts to hold economics within the inflationary line, and he would have left the government, had it been broken, in such a way as to invite a general rising level of wages now.

This inside of the matter naturally was not made public, nor was any genuine thorough understanding of exactly what the government did give the unions.

Within the decision was the core of a new policy to increase wage rates, industry by industry, gradually over a period of months, without formally abandoning the current economic front, or even confessing fully what is to be done. The wage freeze is thus to be thawed in spots without breaking the ice.

After steel will come textiles, which really has a better case for a wage increase than steel, automobiles, rubber, etc.

Frankly, the government was caught in a rather desperate predicament on this thing. The unions could not be stalled off much longer. They presented a fair case for some kind of increase, based on price advances, although they did not expect to get as much as they asked (17 cents an hour.)

Inflation Critical

On the other hand, every dollar given them complicates the inflationary problem which already is more critical than anyone here will admit (the shortage of goods continuously forcing prices up through government ceilings as can be seen, for example, in the \$20-a-cord local price for inferior wood that brought \$4 a cord before the war.)

Every additional dollar in circulation will encourage payment of higher prices, black markets, under-the-counter dealing and every device to defeat the government's war purpose of holding the line.

The administration took the same way out it used on former occasions. The labor board ordered reclassification of workers to increase their pay without changing the scale, vacations with pay, shift preferences, etc.

By the device of reclassification alone it could grant nearly any wage increase desired, especially to the least skilled, lower grade workers.

I know of one company which had the money and wanted to raise wages 10 cents an hour, but was refused permission under the wage freezing order. That company went through its employee list, group by group, reclassifying grade C workers as Grade B, and so on, until it had upgraded, ingraded and re-departmentalized everyone and given them the 10 cent increase. It was all within the law, and the basic wage rate was not changed.

Rates Uncertain

How much the steel men will get, nobody knows. Published accounts of the decision said 5 to 7 cents, but this is a Washington estimate. The steel companies themselves do not know.

Days afterward, their economists had not even worked out a probable cost, because many of the concessions in relation to vacations, etc., were left to future negotiation between the companies and the unions.

I judge the union did not fare badly, as CIO president Phil Murray praised the decision.

What we do know now clearly, however, is that the unions have found out what the game is here. They know now how to get their increases, and are pressing along that line.

In general, authorities here think they have compromised the situation very well thus far, but everyone recognizes the danger on that front.

Openly the big record-making companies (CBS and RCA) threw up their hands and granted Petrillo of the musicians union a bounty up to five cents each on the sale of every record for no good reason except that the government had failed to bring Petrillo to terms in a long strike.

The musicians do not need the money and Petrillo has only promised he will expend it to further the appreciation of music. The public, of course, will pay it, as usual. A wave of strikes and greatly increased wage demands are expected.

South Americans Celebrate Feast in Picturesque Way

The children of Latin America learn about Santa Claus only through the radio programs from North America. Yet Christmas for them is not lacking in gaiety and not lacking in gifts.

But the beneficent visitor, instead of being the jolly, rotund Kris Kringle, is "El Nino Dios—the Christ Child—assisted by Los Reyes Magos—the Magi Kings.

While the children of North America are hanging up their stockings on Christmas eve, their neighbors below the Rio Grande are setting out carefully made little beds of grass or straw, which El Nino Dios will fill with toys and candy during the night.

This is not universal, however. In some countries the night for gifts is January 5, for that is the night Los Reyes Magos ride swiftly from house to house with camels laden with good things for good little chiquillos.

The yule season in Mexico and many other Hispanic countries generally begins on December 15 and continues to January 6, when presents are exchanged in token of the gifts brought to the Christ Child by the Three Wise Men.

In fact, there is sometimes a colorful addition of bullfights, rodeos and folk dances.

Symbolizing the Nativity

As the climax of this period, (December 15 to January 6) there are the traditional Nacimiento and Posadas. Nacimiento means "birth," and in the intimacy of every home a space is made ready for the colorful little display which symbolizes the Nativity. Every detail of the Palestinian countryside is faithfully de-



There will be no window decoration shortage.

icted, with sand, pebbles, grass and twigs. A tiny replica of the stable at Bethlehem is set up, and surrounded with miniature cows and other animals.

At some time between December 15 and New Year's day, every Mexican family holds a Posada. Members of the family and their friends gather in the patio and sing Villancicos, or old Spanish Christmas carols, and march around the patio in procession, to commemorate the journey of the Three Wise Men to Bethlehem.

Though the postmen of Latin America are not so heavily burdened as they are here, the greeting on everyone's lips is the same as ours—"Felices Pascuas y Buen Ano Nuevo!"

First Yule Card Printed in 1846

The first Christmas card, properly so-called, was produced in England in 1846 as the result of a nobleman's suggestion.

Sir Henry Cole conceived the idea when overwhelmed by the thought of having to pen personal greetings of the season to his many friends and acquaintances. This first card, of which about 1,000 copies were sold, was produced in black and white; the drawing thereupon was by J. C. Horsley and was hand colored. The idea did not really "catch on" until about 1864 and several more years passed before the custom of sending Christmas cards was taken up by British royalty.

Monopoly of the American Christmas card market was enjoyed by Marcus Ward and Company of London for a few years following their introduction into the United States during the 1870's. In 1880 Louis L. Prang and Company of Boston entered into competition with the English firm. Prang and Company offered \$2,000 in prizes for the best designs submitted and nearly 600 entries were received; thus launching the modern industry which offers Christmas cards of almost endless varieties to fit every pocketbook.

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Sportsmen's Column



They tell us that there is nothing new under the sun, don't you believe 'em. Here is something new and it's a great thing for the dog and cat owners who want to keep their pets free of vermin and that doggy smell. It's called Magitex. If the two men who shot at a pheasant in the open season and broke a window by accident in a home in Temple, will come around and pay the damages they will not lose their hunting licenses for 1945 and it may make a difference with their driving licenses in the future. Just a tip. It some times (Continued on Page 8)

Season's Greetings A HEART full of joy and a home full of cheer is our wish for the people of Hillsborough County on Christmas and each day in the year. Buy Bigger Bonds and Keep On Buying 'Em! SILVER BROTHERS CO., Inc. Manchester, N. H.

# Quaker Street School Annual Christmas Party

By Mrs. Henry F. Huntington

The true spirit of Christmas, with all its religious significance, was exemplified in a very splendid program by the Quaker Street school, Mrs. Minnie V. Smith, teacher, on Sunday afternoon. It was very pleasing to have this non-sectarian community

service given by the children for the parents and friends of the neighborhood, many of whom will be unable to attend those given in the village.

There were special opening devotional exercises consisting of scripture reading, flag salute, prayers and hymns, mostly in concert by the pupils, and also including "God Bless

America," very sweetly rendered by Raymond Fisher.

There was a cordial Christmas welcome by Richard Aucoin, who also acted as master of properties in arranging the settings for the different dialogues and exercises. He was of the 8th grade. Then the little ones of the 1st grade, Jeannine Ancoin, Richard Fisher and Lorraine Ancoin, gave their welcome in plain clear voices. The recitation, "The Little Babe of Bethlehem," by Mildred Davison, and the "Shepherds of Long Ago," by Lucy Boucher were interspersed by gospel hymns and Christmas carols. Edward and Jeannine Ancoin sang, "Away in a Manger," with motions.

A dialogue, "Christmas Chat," by Linwood Huntington, Jr. and Raymond Ancoin, was very interesting, with Edward Ancoin acting as mail man.

A trio composed of Bryce Hatch, Richard Edwards and Raymond Fisher, gave the song, "Christmas Bells," with chorus by the school.

A drill, "Christmas Sunbeams," by four girls, Georgette Ancoin, Mildred Davison, Lucy Boucher and Lorraine Ancoin, was very fittingly followed by the hymn, "Jesus Wants Me For a Sunbeam," given by the entire school.

A very impressive number was "Bedtime Story," by Georgette Ancoin in which she rocked a large doll, then put it in a little bed, after which she said a little prayer while kneeling by the doll's bedside. Very quietly the school children sang "Silent Night." It was all very well done.

Ever mindful of our boys and girls serving in the armed forces, the last numbers on the program were patriotic ones, including an appropriate poem read by Mrs. Smith, a recitation, "Tribute to Our Flag," recited by Dolores Ancoin, and another, "Our Beautiful Banner," by Pauline Ancoin. These were long selections and well learned. They were alternated by patriotic songs by the school children.

Rev. Woodbury Stowell of the Congregational church, and Rev. Earle Fellows of the Methodist church were present and told Christmas stories. Father Frederick Sweeney of St. Theresa's Church was unable to be present, but sent his regrets with best Christmas wishes to all.

Rev. Stowell pronounced the benediction followed by the singing of "An Evening Prayer," by the school, and "The Star Spangled Banner" by all present, with Mrs. Beulah Colby at the piano.

Remarks were made by J. Philip Chase, chairman of the School Board, Mrs. Dorothy Goss of the School Board, Fred T. Connor, Selectman, Max Israel, Mrs. Louis Lux and Mrs. Irene Carnes of Contoocook. Home-made and hard candies were passed while a pleasant and social time was enjoyed.

Guests were present from Antrim, Contoocook, Dunbarton and Weare, and the entire number was over one hundred. Twenty cars were parked along the road beside the little white schoolhouse.

Many thanks and much credit are due both Mrs. Smith and the pupils for their excellent work, not only manifested in this impressive worthwhile service, but also in the beauty of the decorations.

## Upper Village

The girls and boys in the village enjoyed a box party at Fuller Hall Friday evening. Games and dancing were enjoyed.

## Deering

Fred Grinnell has been confined to his home on Clement hill with an infected finger caused by a sliver.

Roland Cote, Signalman i/c. of New London, Conn., spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Cote, and family. Miss Louise Johnson of Peterboro spent the week-end with Mrs. Archie Cote, and family.

Quite a few from this town attended the bond premiere at the Capitol theatre at Hillsboro last week.

George Andrews underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Margaret Pillsbury hospital at Concord last week.

Mrs. Ady A. Yeaton, who underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Margaret Pillsbury hospital at Concord recently, is staying with her mother, Mrs. Archie Cote, for a few weeks. Her son Billy is with his grandparents at Hillsboro and her daughter Anita is

with Mrs. Warren Fisher at Keene.

Mrs. Edgar J. Liberty and daughter Jane Elizabeth of Milford and Cpl. Harry E. Taylor were dinner guests at Pinehurst farm one day last week.

The Deering Community Christmas tree party will be held Friday, Dec. 22 at 7:30 P. M. at Judson Hall. The Grange, Community Club, Women's Guild and Community Church are joint sponsors. The Pilgrim Fellowship will go carol singing for shut-ins afterwards.

Friends in Deering are very sorry to hear of the recent death of Mrs. M. E. Hambly in Washington, D. C. We all extend deep sympathy to Mr. Hambly.

The services of the East Deering Church were held at Mrs. Juliette Whitakers, Sunday afternoon.

George Andrews is a patient at Margaret Pillsbury hospital in Con-

## CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Sewing Club met at the home of Mrs. Sadie Carter on Cross street, Wednesday afternoon, December 13th, '44. All members were present.

The dining-room was very bright in its Christmas decorations, lighted candles and a beautiful spruce tree, all glittering in the winter sunshine.

The Christmas dinner was served from a bountiful table, complete from grapefruit to plum pudding and pie.

Gifts were presented after dinner and selections were read. This was a delightful afternoon. Each member expressed her thanks and appreciation to our host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Carter.

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# PUBLIC NOTICE

This Notice is published in compliance with Part 2, Tariff Rule 26, of the New Hampshire Public Service Commission

On December 1, 1944, Public Service Company of New Hampshire filed with the New Hampshire Public Service Commission a revision of Page 7 of its Consolidated Electric Tariff N. H. P. S. C. No. 2, to be effective January 1, 1945.

The proposed change relates solely to the terms and conditions under which so-called guaranteed line extensions will be built in territory in which the company is authorized to give service.

It is proposed to discontinue present tariff provisions applicable to guaranteed line extensions as of December 31, 1944, and to substitute a new and reduced tariff which will call for no guarantees other than the minimum charge established by the applicable rates when the average distance between customers is 1320 feet or less. Under the present provisions guarantees are required when the average distance between customers exceeds 300 feet.

In cases in which the average distance is greater than 1320 feet it is proposed to establish monthly guarantees for a period of sixty (60) months based upon a charge of \$1.00 for the first 1320 feet per customer, plus

- (a) 23 cents per month per 100 feet where the average distance is between 1320 feet and 1760 feet, or plus
- (b) 33 cents per month per 100 feet where the average distance is between 1760 feet and 2640 feet, or plus
- (c) 43 cents per month per 100 feet where the average distance is between 2640 feet and 5280 feet.

The new plan also proposes to count unserved potential customers as one-half (1/2) of a customer in determining the average distance between customers.

A comparison of the monthly guarantees under the present and proposed plans is as follows:

Average Length of Line per customer	Present Plan		Proposed Plan Monthly Guarantee
	Monthly Guarantee	Contributions	
300 Feet	\$1.00	None	\$1.00
1000 Feet	3.03	None	1.00
1320 Feet	4.00	None	1.00
1760 Feet	5.33	None	2.01
2500 Feet	7.58	None	4.45
2640 Feet	7.58	\$28.00	4.91
5280 Feet	7.58	556.00	16.26

The proposed plan also introduces a feature under which guarantees applicable to any individual extension will be terminated in less than sixty (60) months, if and when the total amount of electricity used in any consecutive period of twelve (12) months is sufficient, when billed at regular rates, to yield a sum of money equal to or greater than the sum of all guarantees.

## PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY of NEW HAMPSHIRE

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