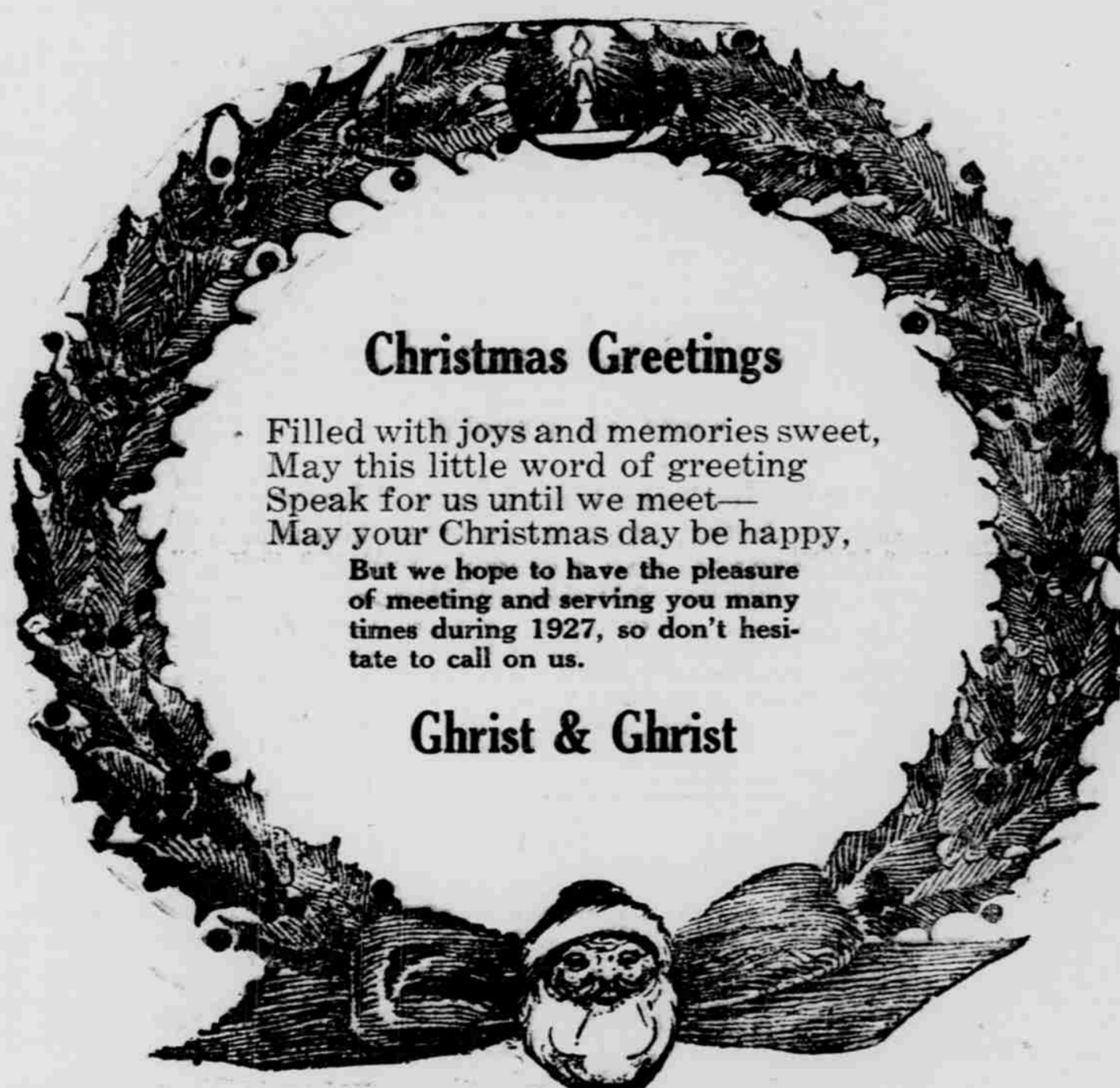


The Heartiest of Wishes

In the sincerity of our hearts
we wish for all who may
chance to read this little
card—

The Merriest of Christmas Seasons
—and—
The Most Prosperous of New Years

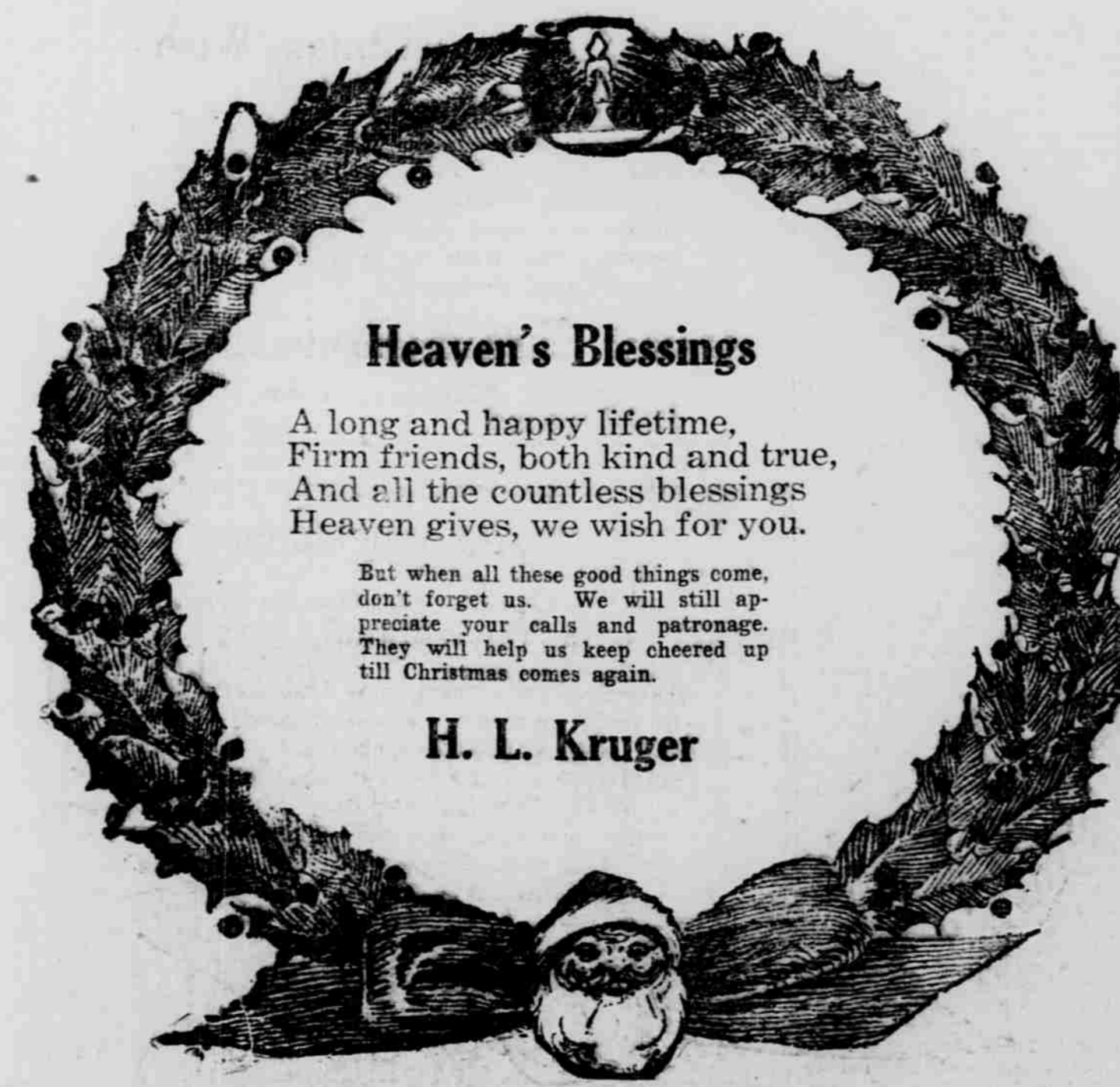
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Christmas Greetings

Filled with joys and memories sweet,
May this little word of greeting
Speak for us until we meet—
May your Christmas day be happy,
But we hope to have the pleasure
of meeting and serving you many
times during 1927, so don't hesi-
tate to call on us.

Christ & Christ



Heaven's Blessings

A long and happy lifetime,
Firm friends, both kind and true,
And all the countless blessings
Heaven gives, we wish for you.

But when all these good things come,
don't forget us. We will still ap-
preciate your calls and patronage.
They will help us keep cheered up
till Christmas comes again.

H. L. Kruger

**Conveniences
Few in Village
Homes Today**

People in Smaller Towns Do Not Avail
Themselves of Modern Appliances
Which Are at Hand.

Fremont, Neb.—Homes in the smaller municipalities of Nebraska have not availed themselves of the modern conveniences at hand.

Altho all Nebraska communities of 1,000 or more population have a public water supply, more than two-fifths of the houses in these towns do not have kitchen sinks and running water.

This was revealed in a survey made public here by Mrs. Arthur G. Christensen, chairman of publicity of the Nebraska Federation of Women's clubs. The study was made by the home equipment department of the federation, after a proposal for such a survey in all states by the general federation at Atlantic City this year.

"Even in Omaha there are 3,000 dwellings without this first essential to housekeeping," the report said. "Houses that do not have running water in the kitchen seldom have stationary wash basins or bath tubs with running water. Many homes that have the kitchen sinks and faucets do not have water fixtures elsewhere in the home."

"Two-thirds of the houses in towns of less than 1,000 population are without stationary wash basins, and one-fourth in towns of 5,000 to 25,000 are without this equipment." Public sewerage systems are found in all towns of 5,000 and more population and in about nine-tenths of the towns in 1,000 to 5,000 population but this does not mean that the homes in these towns are equally well equipped with modern sanitary fixtures. In towns of 5,000 to 10,000 population almost a fourth of the houses are without these fixtures, and in towns of 1,000 to 2,500 almost half do not have them.

Nebraska towns of 1,000 or more population all have central station electricity, the survey shows, and homes in cities of less than 5,000 population have used electricity for lighting to a greater extent than homes in some of the larger cities of this state. For more than four-fifths of the homes in towns of less than 5,000 population are lighted by electricity as compared with less than three-fourths of the homes in Omaha and about three-fourths in towns of 5,000 to 10,000 population. The fact that gas is used for lighting to a larger extent in the larger cities than in those of less than 5,000 population accounts for only a small part of this difference.

Gas is available in all Nebraska cities of 10,000 and more, it was found, but gas and electricity are used less frequently for cooking in Nebraska homes than elsewhere, for only forty-four in every 100 Nebraska homes reported gas ranges as compared with sixty-four per hundred homes throughout the United States, and only one per cent have electric ranges as compared with two per cent in the nation.

"A larger proportion of homes in towns of less than 5,000 population are using electric ranges than in the larger towns," the statement added. "but this is undoubtedly due to the fact that gas is not so usually available in the smaller towns. However, in cities of 10,000 to 25,000 where gas is available only 47 per cent in every 100 women cook on gas ranges; only 68 in every 100 women in Omaha do so. Gas water heaters also are used less frequently in Nebraska than throughout the United States. Less than one-fourth of the Nebraska homes have heaters."

"The normal January temperature in Nebraska for the last ten years was 21.9 degrees, yet only fifty-seven of one hundred dwellings have central heating systems, whether coal-oil or gas fuel. The others depend on the coal and wood stoves, sometimes supplemented by gas or oil or portable electric heaters, to heat parts of the house."

The survey further declared, that mechanical power, in the form of stationary engines, is used for farm work on eight of every one hundred Nebraska farms and in form of electricity in nineteen of every one hundred farms.

**CAROL DICTATES
TERMS OR RETURN**

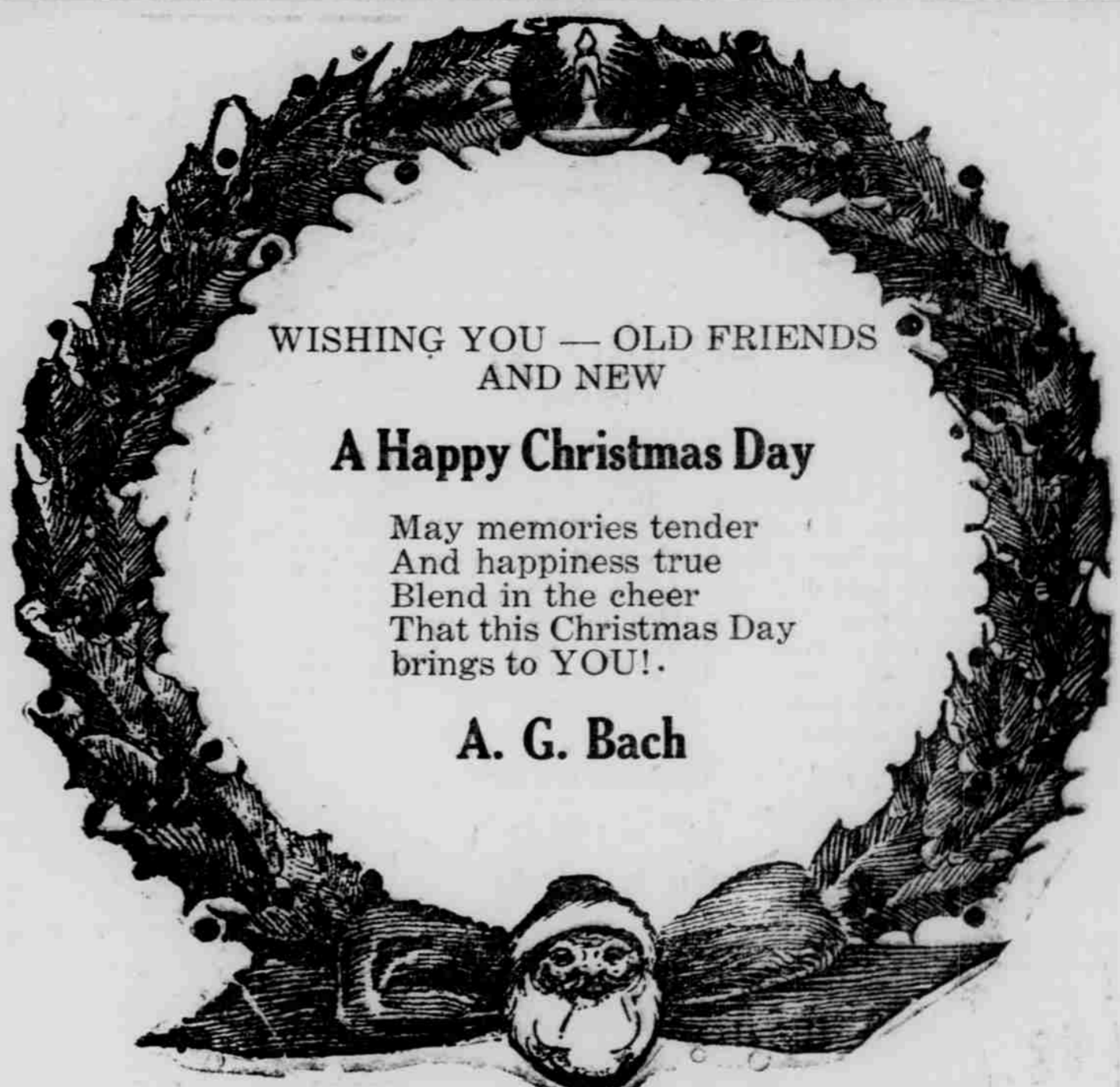
Paris, Dec. 21.—King Ferdinand's prodigal son, Prince Carol, may go back soon to Rumania, to be given the fatted calf in the shape of his country's throne, which he renounced last January.

Carol is taking life easy at Neuilly and has not seized eagerly at an invitation to come back. Instead, it is said that he has laid down two conditions. These are, first, that King Ferdinand must acquiesce in Carol's divorcing Princess Helen, and that if possible she must leave the country before his return, and, second, before he ascends the throne, the present government must be ousted and a democratic ministry, headed by Professor Jorga, leader of the opposition in the chamber, and comprising the leaders of the new national peasant party must be put in power.

**MOREHEAD WORKS
FOR PENSIONERS**

Lincoln, Dec. 20.—In a letter to the Nebraska department G. A. R. Congressman John H. Morehead today assured that body that he is working to obtain passage of a bill increasing pensions of widows of Civil War veterans from \$30 to \$50 a month.

His letter said he would personally appear before the Pension committee in behalf of the bill.

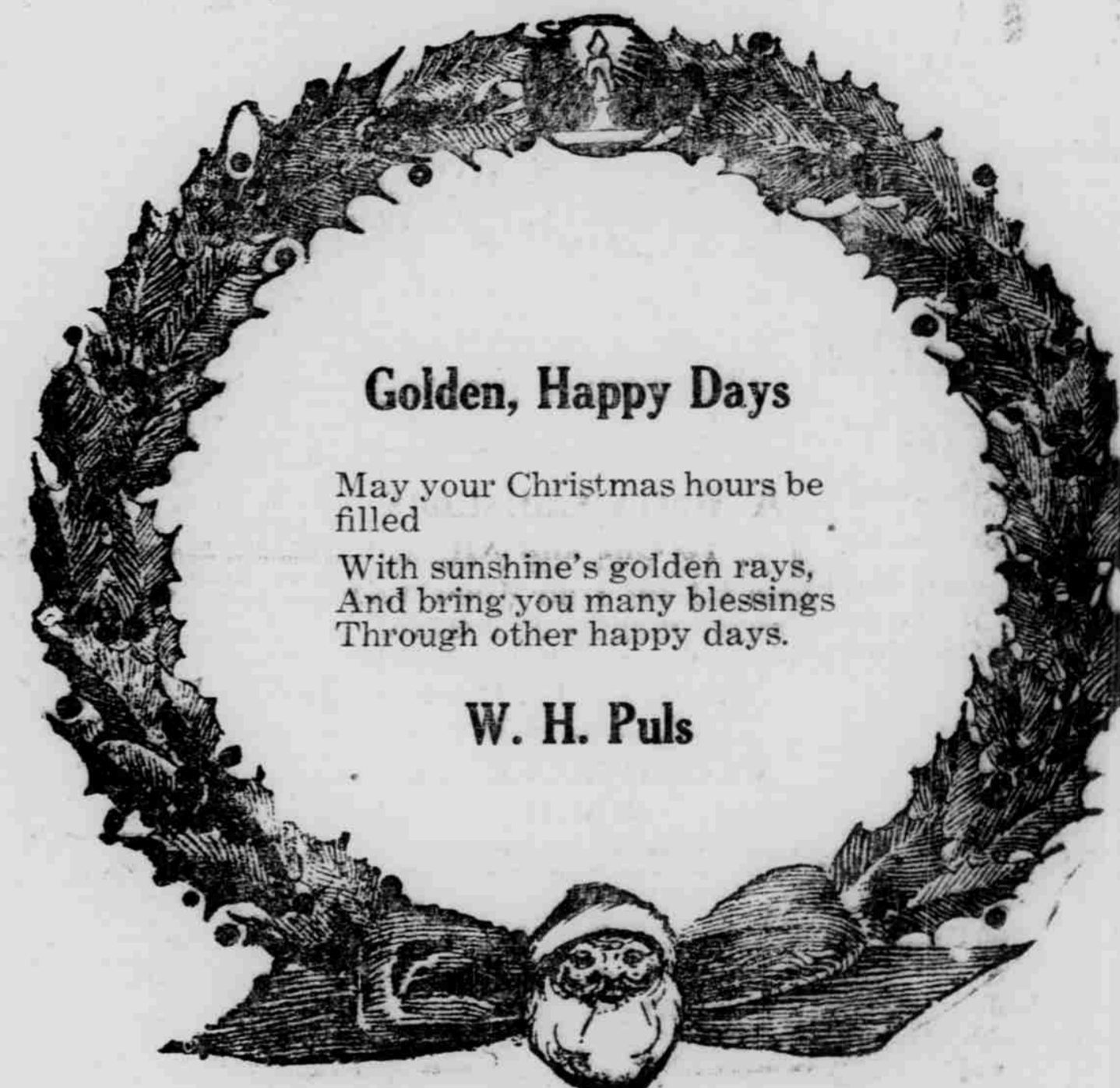


WISHING YOU — OLD FRIENDS
AND NEW

A Happy Christmas Day

May memories tender
And happiness true
Blend in the cheer
That this Christmas Day
brings to YOU!

A. G. Bach



Golden, Happy Days

May your Christmas hours be
filled
With sunshine's golden rays,
And bring you many blessings
Through other happy days.

W. H. Puls



Just the Same Old Greeting
DEAR READERS

We would like to say something at this
time commensurate with our good feel-
ing toward you and our good wishes
for you, but know of nothing more ex-
pressive than the time-worn greeting—
Merry Christmas - Happy New Year

Ladies Toggery
Plattsmouth, Nebr.
"The Shop of Personal Service"