The qualities of stainless steel can be changed by the addition of varying amounts of chromium, nickel, molybdenum, sulphur and other elements. Some make the steels harder, more corrosion resistant, easier to pull into wire or greater heat resistant.

Dirty eggs spoil more rapidly than clean eggs.

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Their Work Will Make Your Christmas Merrier

Telephone people say "Merry Christmas" to you with service. Everyone connected with furnishing service expects their busiest time of the year, handling your Christmas greeting calls. They'll work gladly through the holidays knowing that your telephone is performing one of its happiest services at this time.

If you'll try to place your long distance calls early and avoid "bunching" them on Christmas day, everyone can make their calls, and telephone bells will truly rival Christmas bells as traditional holiday sounds.

Remember too that low "night rates" will be in effect all day Sunday, the day before Christmas and on Christmas Day, too.

The Lincoln Telephone & Telegraph Co.

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Dr. Moore, Author Of 'Night Before', Was Ashamed of It

Everyone knows and loves the poem which begins—

'Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house
Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse;—

but the man who wrote it, Dr. Clement Clarke Moore, was ashamed of it and would not allow it to be published under his name for more than 20 years.

Dr. Moore, an aloof professor of Greek and Oriental literature in the Episcopal Seminary in New York, wrote the poem on Christmas eve 1822 and read it to his seven children.

He had not planned for the poem to go further than his own family, but a relative who was visiting the Moores put a copy in her dairy The next year the relative's father sent it to a newspaper.

Other newspapers printed the jingles and they quickly became known all over the country. The dignified Dr. Moore was embarrassed and considered it beneath a man of his scholastic standing to be the author of children's jingles.

Twenty-two years later, however, he finally publicly admitted authorship of the jingles and it was published in book form under his name for the first time.

Ironically, the professor's serious works are forgotten today. He is mentioned in encyclopedias because he wrote the celebrated Christmas verses.

Wax From Candles Calls for Caution

With so many candles placed about the home to give a festive air during the holiday season, candle wax drippings on rugs, tablecloths, and mantels are almost inevitable.

Wax spots on rugs can usually be removed successfully by first scraping off as much wax as possible with a dull knife and then sponging with carbon tetrachloride.

When you scrape up the wax, be careful not to injure the yarns. If the candle was colored and a stain remains, try sponging it lightly with a liquid made of two parts of water and one part of denatured (rubbing) alcohol.

As a precaution against fading, test this mixture first on an inconspicuous part of the rug.

Wax that has run down from candleholders onto your best linen tablecloth can be removed by the same method of first scraping—being very careful not to injure the fiber or thread—and then sponging with carbon tetrachloride. If the stain is colored, use the solution suggested for a colored spot on a rug, after you've used carbon tetrachloride. Again you are urged to test an inconspicuous spot for possible fading from use of the solution.

BOYS WILL BE BOYS . . . Despite the spectacular mouse that Andrea Kleczek is displaying, Santa Claus being the jolly and understanding old gent that he is no doubt will let the seven-year-old off with a warning that time is running out for good behavior.

A classified Ad in The Journal costs as little as 35c.

CHRISTMAS EVE IN OLDTIME FINLAND

The Christmas Eve bath was quite a tradition in Finland before the advent of modern plumbing.

The oldtime Finnish bath-room was usually a three-room hut; one room was used for steaming and scrubbing, one for rubbing, and one for dressing.

The hut was warmed by a stone oven, heated for hours before the scheduled bath, and the "bath-room" was really steaming. After bathing came the rub-down and the switching of the body with birch twigs to increase the circulation, topped off by a roll in the snow, supposedly to whet the appetite for Christmas Eve supper.

For supper there was usually stockfish and prune tarts to be enjoyed, plus the traditional barley porridge in which cream and sugar and almonds were mixed.

After supper the boys and men matched their strength: while the girls—garbed in the men's work clothes—blackened their faces and stole away to visit other homes incognito and "see Christmas." The girls never spoke nor accepted food, but went from house to house merely to watch the festivities.

And when the evening's festivities were over, the smaller children made their beds in the clean straw spread on the floor in commemoration of the Christ Child.

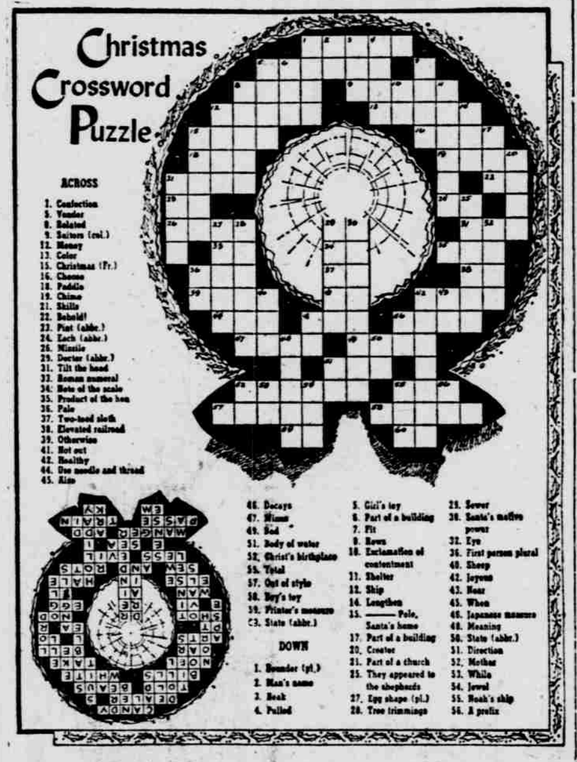
Indestructible Mistletoe

The flame-thrower and atomic energy — lethal instruments borrowed from modern warfare—are out to kill that ancient symbol of peacemaking and love, the Christmas mistletoe.

The unusual battle front is Australia where too many valuable trees each year have been receiving the kiss of death from the harmless looking shrub. Despite mistletoe's popular reputation as the Yultetide promoter of romance, it is a public-enemy parasite in the woodlands, killing off the trees that play it host.

Australian foresters have finally resorted to the flame-thrower as a quick executioner for the plant and are using radio-active tracers, furnished by the U. S. atomic energy commission, to study how the mistletoe saps the water and mineral salts from the trees, starving them to death.

Christmas Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

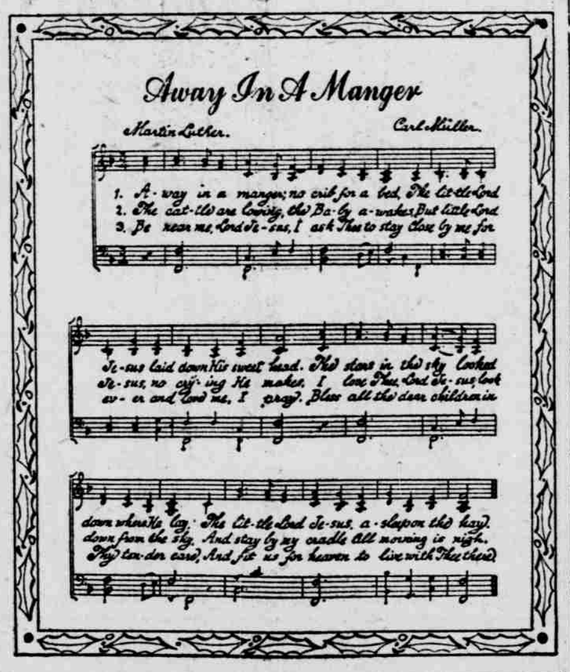
1. Confection
6. Vender
8. Related
9. Salmon (col.)
12. Money
13. Color
15. Christmas (Fr.)
16. Cheese
18. Paddle
19. Chime
21. Skills
22. Behold!
23. Plat (abbr.)
24. Each (abbr.)
26. Missile
29. Doctor (abbr.)
31. Tilt the head
32. Roman numeral
34. Note of the scale
35. Product of the hen
36. Pale
37. Two-bed sloth
38. Elevated railroad
39. Otherwise
41. Not out
42. Healthy
44. Use needle and thread
45. Also
46. Decays
47. Slime
48. God
51. Body of water
52. Christ's birthplace
55. Total
57. Out of style
58. Boy's toy
59. Printer's measure
63. State (abbr.)

DOWN

1. Rounder (pl.)
2. Man's name
3. Beak
4. Pulled
5. Girl's toy
6. Part of a building
7. Fit
9. Rows
10. Exclamation of contentment
11. Shelter
12. Ship
14. Lengthen
15. ——Pole, Santa's home
17. Part of a building
20. Creator
21. Part of a church
25. They appeared to the shepherds
27. Egg shape (pl.)
28. Tree trimmings
29. Sewer
30. Santa's muffled power
32. Eye
36. First person plural
40. Sheep
42. Joyous
43. Near
45. When
46. Japanese measure
48. Meaning
50. State (abbr.)
51. Direction
52. Mother
53. While
54. Jewel
55. Noah's ship
56. A prefix

Away In A Manger

Martin Luther. Carl Müller.



Stainless steel knives should be kept sharp. Use a medium grit grinding stone and finish with a strop.

Students Give Money For Red Cross - Library

(From the Platter)

A collection recently made in both hig h school and grade schools resulted in $24.82 for the local library, Mr. Friest recently announced.

The collection, taken each year at Thanksgiving, provides new library selections for the use of students of all ages. A check for that amount was recently sent to Miss Verna Leonard, local librarian.

The Junior Red Cross Drive was supported to the tune of $35 by the students. The students were asked to give only five cents, which pays the membership of our grades and high school classes. Most of this fund remains in the local Chapter for use in first aid and health education.

A Good Housekeeper

(From the Platter)

A small boy was shopping with his mother during the Christmas holidays. He had noticed all the different Christmas decorations in the many store windows.

They stopped by one store and the little boy proceded to inspect the Christmas decorations in the window. Angel hair had been skillfully filmed over the window to form a realistic outdoor Nativity scene, complete with snow.

When the mother started to enter the store, the boy tugging at her coat pulled her back with the comment, "We don't want to go in there, mommy. Nobody must go in there. The windows are all cobwebby!"

Keen Time Plans Christmas Party

(From the Platter)

Everyone will be decked out in his or her finest trimmings when Friday, December 22 rolls around. That night, the Annual Christmas Dance will be held at Keentime, starting at 8:30.

Dress may be either formal or informal, and there will be no increased charge for the dance. A lunch will be served late in the evening.

NOBODY HOME

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (UP)—Robert E. Dye escaped a fine on charges of leaving the scene of an accident when he told the court that he stopped and knocked on the doors of two houses near the site of the mishap. In both cases, Dye said, nobody opened the door.

Cook County, Illinois, which includes Chicago, is the largest in the United States in population, the 1940 census showing 4,063,342 people. In area, San Bernardino County, California, is largest.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS and best of good wishes

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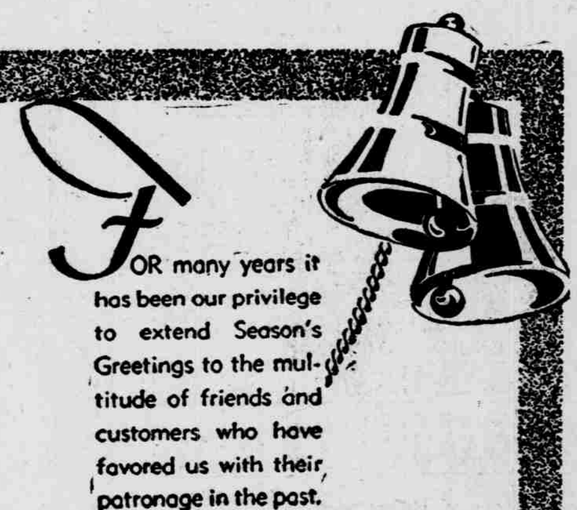
Wee Wardrobe



FOR many years it has been our privilege to extend Season's Greetings to the multitude of friends and customers who have favored us with their patronage in the past.

We welcome this traditional custom — it gives us an opportunity to express our sentiments — to renew our pledge made years ago that our standard of service would be maintained on the highest level possible.

Thank you for everything and —

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A Jolly Good Christmas

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