

A Christmas Story

(From the Platter)
"1" was a jolly young boy,
Full of frolic and fun and glee;
"2" were the stockings he hung
Just where old Santa would see.
"3" words he said as he woke,
Three glad words, "Tis Christ-
mas day!"
"4" minutes it took him to dress,
As the stars were fading away.
"5" bounds and he reached the
stockings
That hung the wide fireplace
beside;
"6" glad shouts of joy did he give
As the welcome gifts he espied.
"7" presents he found—books
and toys,
A bat, ball and gun that would
shoot.
"8" kinds of goodies to eat,
Nuts and fine candies and fruit.

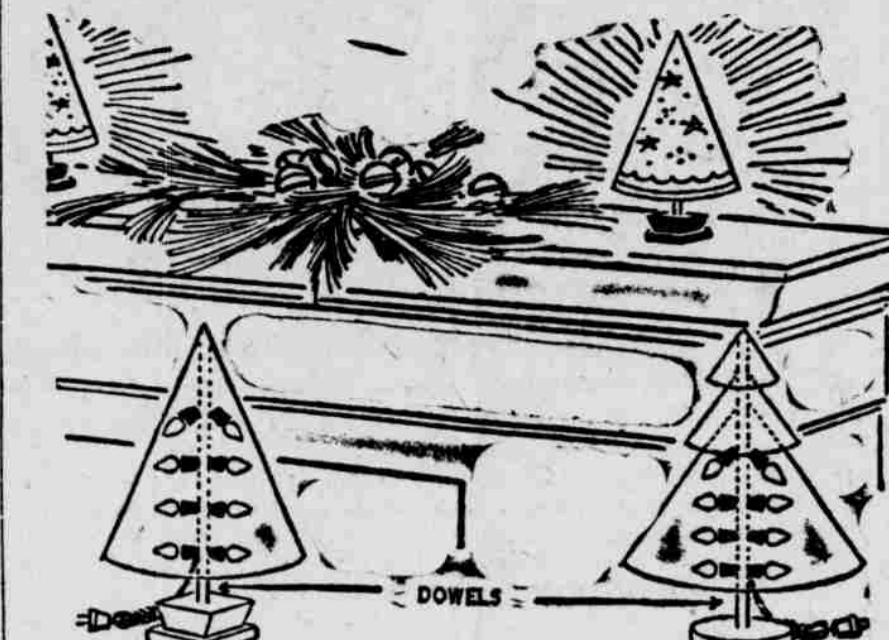
"9" hours he was sick from
feasting
On the good things he got and
then
"10" days had scarcely passed by
Ere he wished it was Christmas
again.
For a dramatic holiday ar-
rangement, lighting specialists
suggest you hang a large spray
of Christmas greens, entwined
with Christmas tree lights on
the wall above a table, chest of
drawers or mantel.
Use blue bulbs, and a glit-
tering polka-dot sequin bow to
match.
Fasten tiny silver balls be-
tween the branches and com-
plete the setting with a pair of
tall blue tapers.

Journal Want Ads Pay!

O Come, All Ye Faithful

(From the Platter)
It was late Christmas Eve in
France, and from their quiet
home, the good monks gathered
together under the stars, ready
to march to the little church
among the hills where they were
to worship the Christ Child at
the midnight service, called a
mass.
Long they had waited for this
holy night, the most blessed of
all the year, and when the last,
brown-robed monk took his place
in the processional, all was in
readiness. Slowly they began to
wind over the quiet hillside, their
tall, flickering torches lighting
the rugged pathway.
At the end of the long line,
tall Brother John began to sing
the Latin song, "O Come, All Ye
Faithful," the monks joining
heartily in the beautiful Christ-
mas hymn.
How their voices rang out in
the clear, starry night, more than
two hundred years ago! And how
our voices still ring out as we
sing this fine old Christmas song
when the festive season comes
round.
No one knows who wrote the
words. The music is an old Latin
hymn, born somewhere in
France. This stirring "O Come,
All Ye Faithful" is sung by more
people than any other Christ-
mas song that has ever come
down to us. It has been trans-
lated into more than one hun-
dred and twenty different lan-
guages so that all people every-
where may sing it.

Mantel Decorations For Moderns



If you're looking for a change
from the traditional Christmas
decorating schemes, try flank-
ing your mantel with a pair of
glowing modern, stylized trees
like those shown above.
As you can see by the draw-
ings in the lower half of the
sketch above, these "trees" are
fashioned from dowel stocks,
fastened to wooden discs or
blocks. Strings of multiple
Christmas tree lights wrapped
around the dowels are held in
place with electrical tape.
Size, of course, is governed by
your own taste and mantel.
The trees shown above were

covered with cones of Christ-
mas wrapping paper. The paper,
however, must be heavy enough
to hold its shape, yet transpar-
ent enough to allow the glow of
colored light to shine through.
Whether you use single or
triple cone coverings, be sure
that the bulbs are not touching
the paper and, make them large
enough to allow some circula-
tion of air so that the heat from
the bulb does not scorch the
paper covering.
For smaller trees, use alumi-
num foil covering which has a
pierced design to form interest-
ing light patterns.

Christmas Mass

Midnight Mass on Christmas
Eve is the event of the year in
Rome.
Every Roman Catholic church
in the Holy City is crowded
with men, women and children
anxious to see the processions
of church officials in their
splendid robes. The larger the
church, the more beautiful the
sight. And, of course, the ser-
vice at St. Peter's is the most
magnificent in the world.
At St. Peter's all the men
present are required to wear
evening clothes and the ladies
must be dressed in black, thus
offsetting the brilliant beauty of
the robes. Even the guards on
duty are attired in elegant red
and white uniforms.



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Here are a few tips on taking
indoor holiday pictures:
When shooting any interiors,
follow the same general rules as
for exterior photographs, leav-
ing all the room lights on and
even lighting a floodbulb in the
room to give some detail of the
room surroundings.
Indoor shots, if no suppli-
mentary lighting is used, can be
very disappointing since even a
10 or 20-second exposure may
show nothing but points of light
on the negative, with the bare-
st suggestion of other detail. A
quick and easy way to be sure
of detail on an interior of a
Christmas tree for example, is
to give a 10-second exposure
for the lights and then flash a
flashbulb in the direction of the
tree before shutting the camera
shutter. The print will not convey
the exact impression that the light-
ed tree in a darkened room gives
to the eye, but it will show de-
tail. Perhaps the best on any
of these things is to try them
several ways, with and without
flash, and outdoors with and
without considerable light
after sundown.
And, don't forget the wealth of pic-
ture material available at
New Year's parties. Flash is ideal, for it en-
ables one to circulate and get
candid shots.

CHRISTMAS GREETING

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Kris Kringle Isn't Really Santa Claus

Popular notion seems to imply
that Kris Kringle is a German
term of endearment for Santa
Claus. Just what motivates this
idea is not at all clear, since Kris
Kringle is really, although endowed
by German legend as a gift-giver,
resembles Santa Claus not in the
least.
Santa Claus, as we know him in
America, never really caught on
in Germany. St. Nicholas comes
around on his liturgical feast day
—December 6— with his pockets
bulging with candy and nuts and
trinkets. Well and good, but Ger-
man parents maintain, as did their
predecessors of the Reformation
era, that the central idea of Christ-
mas, the birth of Jesus, should
dominate the observances.
Nor is Christkind depicted as the
Infant Jesus himself, but rather as
his messenger and gift-bearer who
comes to earth at Christmastime
to bring happiness to good chil-
dren. The Christkind is usually
represented as a child dressed in
white robes, wearing a golden
crown and having big, golden
wings.



Christmas Lighting Tips

Holiday hospitality starts in
the front hallway, so plan a spe-
cial arrangement to greet
your guests as they step through
your front doorway.
A lighted bell suspended over
a bouquet of Christmas greens
on the hall table is an easy-to-
do, inexpensive holiday decora-
tion.
Use plastic, fireproof paper
mache or a foil bell, wire it with
a regular house-
hold size socket
or an extension
cord, as shown
in the sketch at
left. Use a
25-watt bulb in
red, green, yellow
or blue for a
glowing color
effect, or a
60- or 100-watt
silvered bowl bulb in a porce-
lain socket for a subtle indirect
lighting effect.

The First Nowell

(From the Platter)
Was there ever a lovelier carol
in all the world than "The First
Nowell"? It means "The First
Christmas" and is one of the very
oldest songs ever written about
the coming of the King of
Israel.
This carol is so old that no
record can be found of who
wrote it or where it came from.
There are some who believe it to
be French, for it is said that the
carol was first printed in France,
and often we find it called "The
First Noel." Others tell us that it
came from England, and was
given the name, "The First
Nowell".
Perhaps it was sung by the
shepherds themselves as they
tended their sheep on the great
open plains, stopping to gaze in
wonder at the Christmas Star
that suddenly shone over their
heads in the silent night. The
carol tells the story of the coming
of the angels to the shepherds,
proclaiming the birth of the
Christ Child.
It is said that in olden times,
the shepherds sang the verses,
and from the heavens, the angels
answered with the chorus.
"Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,
Born is the King of Israel."

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Christmas GREETINGS

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Class of '52 Selects Junior Class Rings

During the Junior Class meet-
ing the students selected the
Stylmaster ring which was de-
signed by the Josten Company
of Saint Paul, Minnesota.
The college ring, a larger sized
ring, was available to the Jun-
ior Class for the first time this
year. It was a popular ring
among the boys.
The committee which selected
a representative number of ring
styles from which the class
made its selections were the
Junior Class Officers.
Deer, cattle, rabbits, mice and
certain other animals are re-
pelled from garden and orchard
crops by the taste of a new
harmless spray.
available holders, easily con-
cealed in near-
by shrubbery or
placed at one
side of the door,
as shown in the
sketch on the
left.
When colored
lighting effects
are wanted, use
color caps,
available in
many electrical
or hardware stores. If you pre-
fer to make your own, tempo-
rary filters can be fashioned
from regular theatrical gelatin,
water-proofed by dipping in
clear lacquer.

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Lumber and Coal

Christmas is the time of year when
we give special thought to those who
mean the most to us.
During this cheerful Holiday Season,
we pause in our everyday tasks to re-
flect on the pleasant associations and
privilege of being of service to you.
We take this occasion to wish you and
yours the very best Christmas ever—
and a New Year complete with happi-
ness and prosperity.

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