

**SOBER CHRISTMAS**

A particularly boneless alcoholic who had trimmings changed the course of his life through The Salvation Army's Harbour Light Rehabilitation program for alcoholics, spent Christmas in complete sobriety. For the first time in 20 years, the holy season had real meaning for this man, as he was, once again, able to look to the years ahead with hope rather than despair.



**GREETINGS for Christmas**

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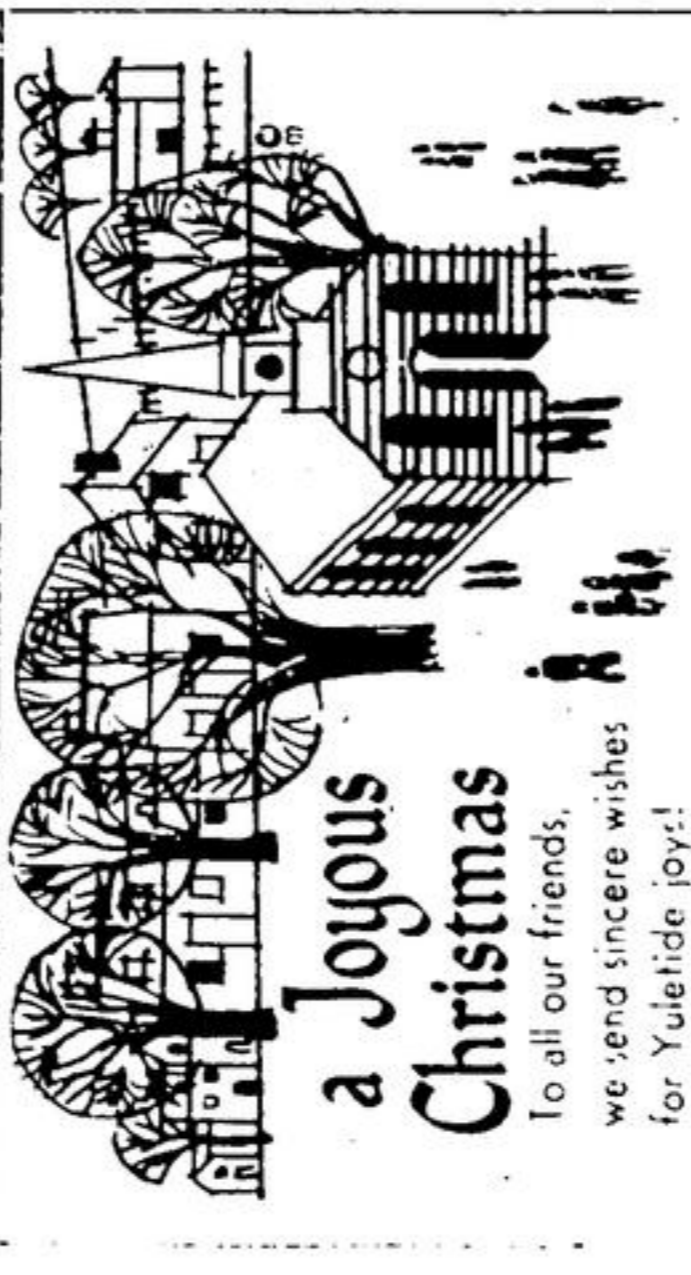


CHRISTMAS PARTY committee for the Golden Age club, Mrs. R. L. Davidson, Mrs. J. Barberstoppers and Joyce Carpenter and her grave and Mrs. C. Winn talk over the previous party's success at the last meeting of the club. (Staff Photo)

**Trees, Santas, flowers and "gook" easily made with cotton thread**

By imaginative using spools of mercerized cotton thread, you can add a special touch to your Christmas gifts. Holiday trees, jolly Santas, flowers, and even "gook" can be created with thread pompons and fringe combined with scraps of felt and ribbon.

Once your imagination gets started, you may find yourself



**a Joyous Christmas**

To all our friends, we send sincere wishes for Yuletide joy!

MR. AND MRS. C. K. BROWNE

**GREETINGS**

We bring good tidings and glad greetings to you and your kin, with wishes for happy holidays and a Merry Christmas.



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**THE GRAVITY OF THE RITE** of Confirmation administered at St. Alban's church on Sunday was interrupted by a little levity afterwards in the parish hall. Parishioners presented Bishop W. E. Bagnall with a gift wrapped attractively in Christmas paper. Unwrapped the package contained a bar of soap, with a convenient hanging cord which His Lordship promptly hung around his neck. The soap was in a case suitable for cuff links or small ecclesiastical insignia. (Staff Photo)

**Santa Claus - good or bad? fiction changes to reality**

In December every year parents are faced with the problem of what to do or what to say about Santa Claus. Some of our educators say that the Santa theory is all wrong and some of today's "modern" parents seem to agree. Is the Saint Nick idea good or bad for children? No child, average or brilliant, ever suffered from the grand illusion. Children know there is a Santa Claus and they accept the fact that he gradually changes from the Santa of fiction to the Santa of reality.

Santa is good for small children, for children have imaginative minds. The fact they might see a Santa on every corner matters little. In their eyes Santa is a symbol, a mystery, and in his wondrous magic is apt to appear anywhere.

It is not the end of the world when the time comes that some older child shatters the illusion by telling all. This is the perfect opportunity for the parent

**Food, fellowship hit height at yule**

"For Food and Fellowship, Thank God," says the simplest of all graces, and of these two blessings there has never been any lack at Christmas time. A vast dinner of roast turkey, with all its trimmings, plum pudding and mince pies appear every year on countless tables throughout the world.

Turkey, though now traditional, is a comparative newcomer, unknown in Europe before about 1542, and appearing then only as one among a variety of festival dishes. Goose - or beef for Christmas pies were the early favorites in ordinary families, while in great houses there were swans, venison, peacocks and the boar's head.

**The organ**

The organ has been used in church worship and Christmas song since 450 A.D. Spain was first to use the organ in Christian worship. Today, organs are popular for the home as well as the church, and carol singing parties are favorite holiday entertainments. Both amateur and professional musicians enjoy the versatility of the modern organ which can sound the shepherd's pipe or the angel's trumpet with perfect fidelity.

**WISHES EVERYONE A Merry Christmas AND A Happy New Year**

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**Animals, objects theme for carols**

Many Christmas carols have animals and things as themes. An example is the well-loved "Carol of the Birds," of French origin, wherein birds bring the sweetest music to earth. Such carols live forever.

Carols simply are songs with a religious impetus and thus come from the world over. Each century has given to the treasury of carols, but none is more revered and sung as the much-loved 18th Century carol, "Silent Night, Holy Night."

Another lovely carol, "Carol of the Flowers," where flowers speak of love in all mankind; and from Germany a ship carol, called "Song of the Ship," in which Mary is likened to a ship, bearing the Son of Heaven; the "Cherry Tree Carol" where the Virgin Mary is adorned sustenance along the way to the manger.

**SOMEONE CARES**

When illness or unemployment strikes, a family often can't afford even small Christmas gifts. But The Salvation Army can see to it that there are warm clothes and toys for the children and a holiday dinner. Along with material assistance, The Salvation Army offers the reassurance of knowing that somebody cares.

**OLD-FASHIONED Christmas Wishes**

**MILADY HAIRSTYLING**

We wish you the happiest of holidays, filled with all the friendly warmth of a good old-fashioned Christmas.

**Merry Christmas**

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