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EDITORIAL COMMENT

A Christmas Editorial

by Loyal Phillips

A brief era of good feeling circles the globe on Christmas day in honor of the Prince of Peace. A billion adults and children join in celebrating the birth of the Wonder Child of the ages who brought a new sense of values and in so doing changed the course of history.

Two thousand years ago the Saviour came to deliver man from bondage and oppression and to point the way to peace and eternal life. His teachings overthrew the Roman Empire and replaced greed and hate with love and compassion.

Again Christmas comes to a turbulent and troubled world dulled by a sense of hopelessness, as we stand on the brink of despair, communist bondage and nuclear destruction. As never before we need to review the teachings of the gentle Nazarene and adopt His Golden Rule as basic by-laws in our relations with men and with nations.

The world's newspaper presses would not be able to supply the demand for the good news should medical science come forth with a cure for cancer and other major destroyers of human life. Yet the coming of the promised Messiah represented a greater story than would a cure for cancer. Christmas is bigger than world tensions and more significant than a round trip to the moon.

The vital message of Christmas—a promise of peace, justice and goodwill unchanged through many centuries—was never more vital to our survival. When each member of the United Nations can treat other people as they wish to be treated, there will be no iron curtain, no radar line, no nuclear bombs and no ruthless dictators to exploit helpless humans.

We have seen the winds and waves obey the Master's command. We have seen great civilizations built on His admonition to love the Lord with all our heart and our neighbour as ourselves. Yet we permit a blanket of grasping materialism to cover our eyes and hide from us the truth which would make men free and the love which would save the world. We ignore His divine promises and accept self-torture instead of clinging to His eternal principles of morality and justice. However, there is still hope. So long as man carries in his breast a deep yearning for universal love, an acceptance of the Christ Child as a divine gift and a recognition of the inalienable rights of others then the miracles of Beth-

lehem and Calvary will not have been in vain.

Christmas then must be more than a feast for the minorities and the underprivileged—something more than an international festival. Christmas must be a reverent and grateful commemoration of the birth of a Saviour through whom God in His generosity saw fit to give mankind another chance.

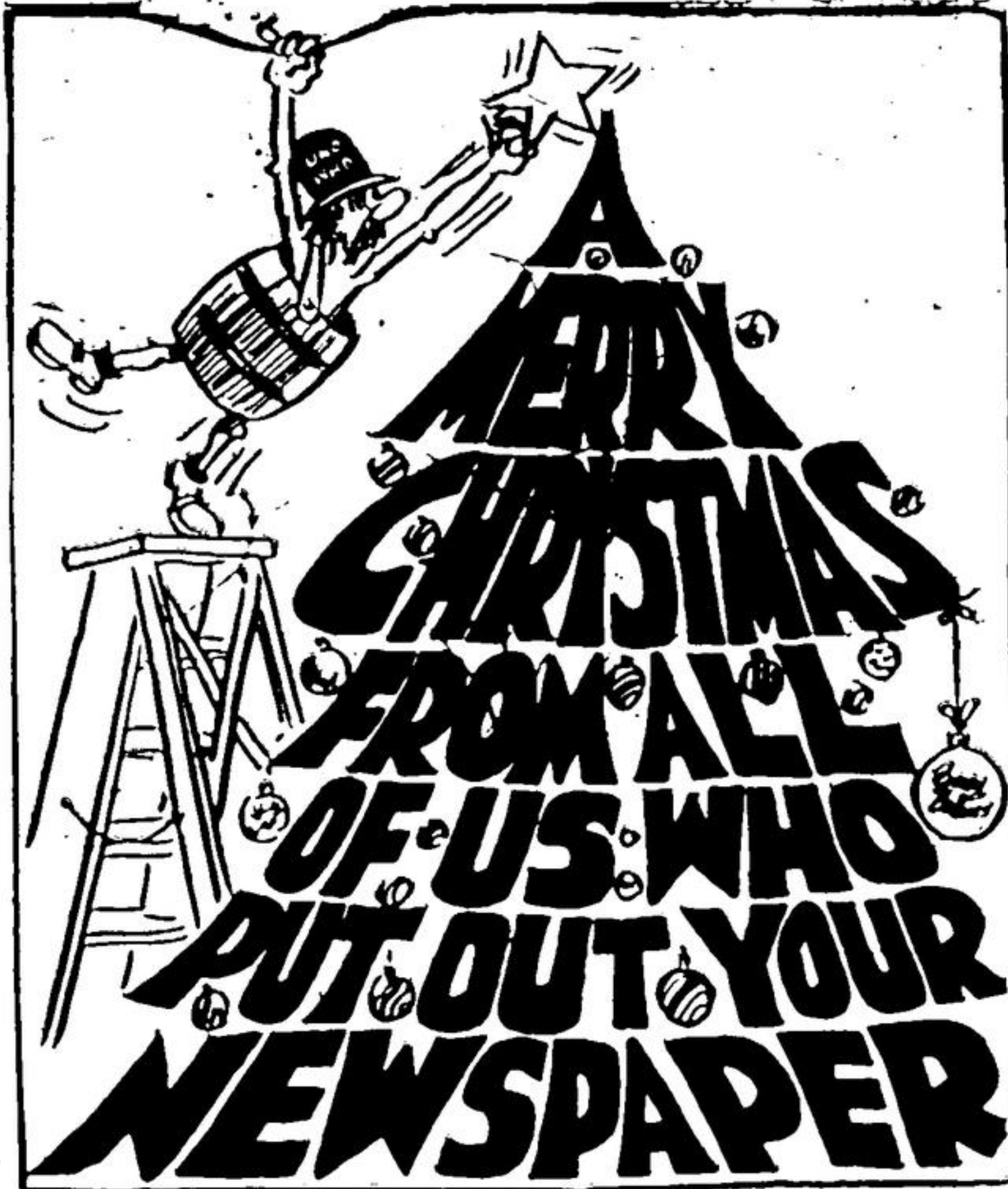
For every reason the Yuletide should be the happiest as well as the holiest day of the year. Let's keep our carols, our candles and our custom of unselfish giving and our mythical old saint.

It is unfortunate that cynics in these cold and sophisticated times see fit to knock Santa Claus and our Christmas-giving traditions. Our skeptical 20th Century world must maintain all these treasures which in spirit and in deed reflect the teachings of the Babe of Bethlehem and symbolize the richer gifts of life.

To survive as history's greatest religious festival Christmas must be staged against a backdrop of unselfish love and child like faith which for a few days at least brings all men together in a true spirit of brotherhood. While the greatest gifts cannot come wrapped in tinsel, the tangible acts of love and devotion inspired by Christ may continue to gladden hearts and uplift souls through a reminder that it is better to give than to receive. Behind the pagan trappings Santa still portrays a Christ-like spirit of thoughtfulness so dearly needed today by both the old and the young.

This year let's try to accept Christmas for what it ought to mean. As much as our mortal ears can comprehend let's listen for the Herald Angels' promises of peace and goodwill in the inspired carols and the majestic hallelujahs. Behind the enchanting musical melodies let us strive in our reverence to picture in a divine vision what human life might be if all people everywhere could follow the star to the manger and accept the Prince of Peace as the Ruler of the Universe. Truly this is the birthday of humanity's noblest dreams. Again this year there are disappointments but the dream cannot die. It will not die if the day continues as a reflection of God's great Christmas gift to the world.

We hope your home can be a holiday haven of happiness today as we wish you a merry, an eternal and an everlasting Christmas!



TO ALL OUR READERS

OTTAWA REPORT

BI-MONTHLY OBSERVATIONS BY DR. HARRY HARLEY, M.P. FOR HALTON

I am sorry to say that the Committee on Orders and Chemicals has not been formed as yet. The resolution passed by the House of Commons Friday, and will consist of 15 members, from the four parties. It is my understanding that they will be divided in this way: Conservative 7, Liberal 5, Social Credit 2, NDP 1. However, the Government has not announced the appointment of the committee as yet. Nevertheless we hope that it will do so soon. It is obvious that the Government will accomplish nothing before the House recesses for Christmas and it is unfortunate that this is so, as I feel it is an urgent matter. This appears characteristic of the Government, delay and indecisiveness.

Most of this week has been devoted to the Atlantic Development Board. The Speaker called this out of order and the Government has now passed a motion which would allow the Board to be set up. I would like to quote Jack Pickersoll, the Speaker's ruling. "I am going to say that I was brought up on the principle that nothing in the world is perfect for the poor for one month, but now brings the total amount of such money voted for up to date, to that point I do not think that 10 per cent of the total, and yet this bill is even half the total which was promised, I think it is only a crust."

These remarks were in debate and referred to the Atlantic Development Board Bill. It was approved by the House of Commons. The Government can pay its bills and has actually paid the other bill to investigate and report to the Government. It did not have any power and more important did not have any money for development. The Liberal Party of the Atlantic area yesterday began a discussion of the Atlantic Development Board Bill. The Liberal Party of the Atlantic area yesterday began a discussion of the Atlantic Development Board Bill. The Liberal Party of the Atlantic area yesterday began a discussion of the Atlantic Development Board Bill.

General MacNaughton, one chairman of the International Joint Commission, feels very strongly the present Treaty is not in Canada's best interests and wishes to appear as a witness to testify to this. If the Government will bring it forward as it should.

ECHOES

From the pages of Herald, 1961, 1952, and 1937

- 1 YEAR AGO**
 - The curious, the unbelievers, and those just out for a drive Sunday afternoon, gravitated to the beautiful new Riviera dance hall in Norval to see for themselves if it really would be open New Year's eve. Some of the New Year's eve entertainers arrived to try out the sound system and pronounced the acoustics excellent.
 - The North Halton Association for Retarded Children expect the tenders will be called in January for the construction of a new school for Halton's retarded children. A tentative completion date has been set for May 31st. A spring campaign in Georgetown and Acton is expected to finalize the construction cost.
- 10 YEARS AGO**
 - People from Georgetown and district totalling 1580 were x-rayed at the Odd Fellows Hall where the mobile government clinic spent two days here. An estimated total of 2,000 had their x-ray during the visit.
 - The grand prize, a doll dressed in \$1 dollar bills, was won by T. J. Brownridge at the annual Santa Claus parade Saturday. Other prize winners were: Frank Smith, Margery Mackenzie, Russell Hepburn, J. J. Gibbens, Alvin McDonald, A. C. Eccleston, Mrs. George Leslie, Gail Stigger, May Langan, H. Bydevaate, Fred Lee, Mrs. Jack Ellerby and T. Fisher.
- 25 YEARS AGO**
 - At the annual meeting of the Ontario - Quebec division of the Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association, held at the Royal York Hotel, Toronto, Mr. A. E. Dobbie, editor and manager of the Smiths Fall Record-News was elected president. Angus was born in Georgetown and served his apprenticeship on the Herald.
 - At the Gregory Theatre: 'Love Under Fire,' starring Don Ameche and Loretta Young; 'Double or Nothing,' starring Martha Raye and Bing Crosby; and 'Life Begins in College,' starring the Ritz Brothers.

NINE NIGHTS A-GNAWING

On the first day of Christmas I served my love a meal,
Whose turkey and accessories had a total eye-appeal.
On the second day of Christmas, the same food heated up,
Seemed rather less attractive as we settled down to sup.
On the third day of Christmas, strong brew and fancy lusc
Helped take the curse from sandwiches of bread-and-
dramstick allusc.
On the fourth day of Christmas, we dined by candlelight
Pretending that the entire was four eggs that night.
On the fifth day of Christmas, I simmered up the bones,
Into a reminiscent soup with turkey overtones.
On the sixth day of Christmas, in cream sauce laced with
sherry,
The scraps made appetizing, although perhaps not very.
On the seventh day of Christmas, my true love wished to
know,
"How long, O Lord," and shuddered when I figured five to
go.
On the eighth day of Christmas, on coming escarole
Of stew because its blizzard crust was greeted with "My
Soul!"
On the ninth day of Christmas he eyed the pots a-bubble,
And whisked me to a restaurant for stein, on the double.
—J. B. JACOBS



Have you ever wondered what older folk are talking about when they speak of "Christmas of old"? What is an old-fashioned Christmas?

Certainly, it is impossible for us to go back to the "horse and buggy" days. We can't even get back to the days of the "Model T".

We live in a modern world. We have modern transportation. We have modern conveniences. In the old days, Sunday was "dress-up" day and when folks went for a stroll or a surry-ride they donned their Sunday-best. Today, we wear whatever we please, take an hour or so to drive to a place where no one knows us — or cares what we wear.

We can't go back to the old days. So what can we do about Christmas? Simply, we can observe Christmas in the traditional manner.

First, we must remember that Christmas is a religious holiday, a day given to observance of the greatest event in the history of mankind, the birth of a Redeemer. Let us keep Christmas a religious holiday.

Secondly, let us keep Christmas as a family observance. Christmas becomes more meaningful when families plan together, make gifts together, have or engage in social affairs in which all family members have a part; have a family worship service at home, and stress the religious aspects of Christmas throughout all the season's activities.

Many Merry Christmases may result from such a family tradition.

THE MAIL BAG

Appreciated Help Of Local Citizens

105 Mericourt Rd., Hamilton, Ont., December 11th, 1962

To the Editor: Georgetown Herald.

Dear Sir: On behalf of the Tap and Baton Committee of South Centre Community Council in Hamilton, I would like to publicly thank some of your residents for their thoughtful cooperation on Saturday after the parade when forty of our majorettes were stranded with no coats and no bus.

Those of our committee who walked along with the parade are especially grateful to a member of the "Press" who found warm accommodation in the Municipal Building, and coming year? Wouldn't this be one of your dairy men who moved his truck and provided

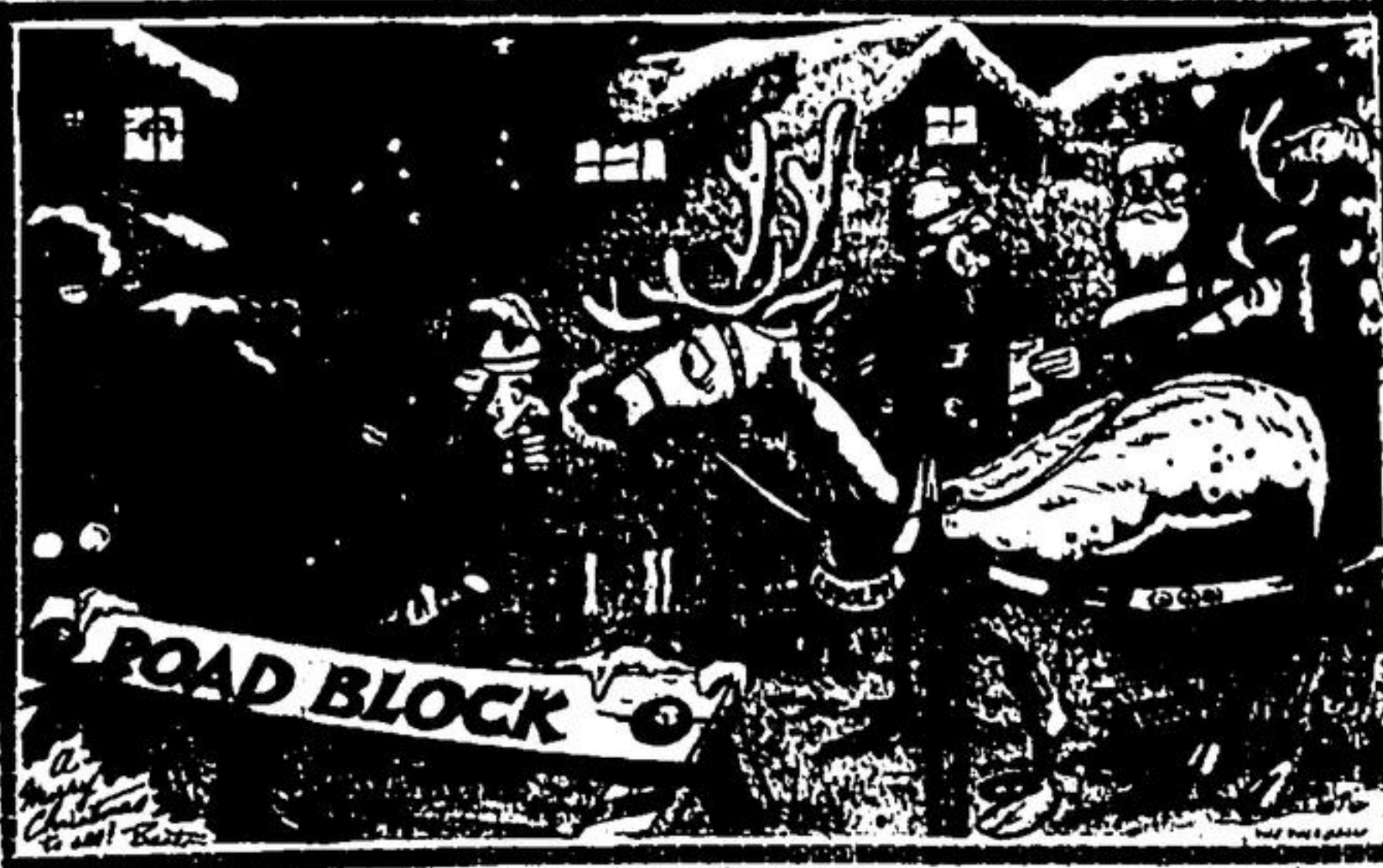
hot chocolate for the girls such a guarantee, anywhere? But the ladies who stayed with the bus will always remember about taking the kids to the farmer and his wife who contacted the "right people" to get the bus back to town even if it meant having to have had any shots? Each year many children and adults become seriously ill — even die because they or their coats in to town. And none of us will forget the friendliness of the man who drove the girls back home. We don't know the names of any of these people, but it is their little touches of thoughtfulness that make a stranger feel kindly towards your town. Again, a most sincere "Thank You" to these people. —Mrs. T. White

GOOD HEALTH — IDEA FOR WELCOME GIFT

"Would you give your family, and yourself, the gift of "quarantally and health during the coming year? Wouldn't this be a wonderful Christmas present? You cannot, of course, get

For years diphtheria, whooping cough and tetanus have been prevented by a triple vaccine routinely given to babies. A vaccine against polio has been available for several years. Smallpox vaccination has just about wiped out the disease. The gift of health is available at Christmas — and all year long.

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