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'Twas the week before Christmas.
Ma scrubbing the house
And making life irksome
For microbe and mouse.
At the door, Pa sheds rubbers
And tiptoes with care.
He's even forbidden
His favorite chair.
Head tied in a kerchief,
A scowl on her map,
Ma's household engrossment
Spoils Pa's Sunday nap.
Monday morn at four-thirty
There arose such a clatter
He jumped from his bed
To see what was the matter.
A noise from the parlor,
A thump and a crash. . . .
With a catapult downward,
Pa made a wild dash.
When what to his wondering
Eyes did appear?
Ma perched on a ladder
At the glass chandelier.
Then, hopeless, he wondered
If Ma was a'fixin'
To wash the whole world.
What a prancer, a vixen!
And he vowed that, come Spring-
time,
Recourse would be flight.
Every season meant scrubbing.
Merry Christmas? ? GOOD
NIGHT! -

—Marmalade

Dear Millie:

Duke City is in the throes of Christmas shopping. To me, a mid-westerner, it is difficult to think of Christmas under waxy blue skies and bare ground.
I am fascinated by the types of Christmas shoppers I see. The other day in the toy section of a big store I enjoyed a bit of ban-

ter between Santa Claus and a dignified old lady.

Two ladies entered the almost deserted (at that hour) aisle of dolls, electric trains etc. The younger was smartly dressed and escorted an elderly woman whose gray locks escaped her feathered hat and hung in sad wisps about her wrinkled face. She walked haltingly and seemed bewildered at the display about her. No doubt she was remembering simpler Christmases. She seemed pensive.

Santa Claus spied her and quite suddenly he called out:
"Hi-yah, Grandma; come over here."

Evidently a lady of the old school, she raised her head a bit higher, chin firm. But she could not resist the Christmas spirit.

Cautiously she looked about, then turning to Santa saluted him with a hearty laugh as she said:

"Look, you old rascal, I've known all about you these many years!"

Always,
—E. B.

A bright and happy Christmas,
you-all.

—R. B. O.

Wesley Carolers Will Visit Shut-Ins

The confirmation class of the Wesley Methodist church will meet Saturday, December 23rd in the pastor's study, and the young people will meet in the basement at 10:00 a.m. for their weekly workshop. At 7:00 p.m. everyone is invited to share in the annual custom of visiting the homes of the shut-ins with songs of Christmas. Be sure to wear warm clothing and meet at the church promptly at 7:00 p.m. urges Mrs. Ira Breakwell, chairman of the caroling.

A dentist is about the only man who can safely tell a woman when to open and shut her mouth.

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Holiday Party Planned For Golden Circle

The Golden Circle, made up of the senior citizens of Highland Park, will hold a gala holiday party on the afternoon of December 28. The committee in charge has planned an afternoon of Christmas carols, games and refreshments.

The party will be held at Recreation Center, 120 N. Green Bay road at 3 p.m. In charge of plans for the afternoon are Mrs. Frank Ronan, chairman, Mrs. Cora St. John, Mrs. Rachel Kronthal, Mr. Henry Keys, and Mr. Robert Merriman.

The committee will be assisted by the Golden Circle board consisting of: Mrs. Orray P. Knight, Mrs. M. G. Fisher, Miss Deane White, Miss Cora Hende, Miss M. B. Walther, Mrs. Darrell Beam, Mrs. Frank Selfridge, Mrs. James Reilly, Mrs. James Lyman, and Miss Musa I. DeMouth.

The Chicago Commons auxiliary will provide refreshments and transportation for the afternoon. Girl Scouts from the Highland Park Council will serve.

Library Presents History Of Theatre

"Theater — From Ritual to Broadway," an exhibition prepared by the editors of "Life" magazine, will be on view at the Highland Park Public library through December 31.

The exhibit traces the history of theater from its beginning in ancient ritual to its present familiar form in the Western World and undertakes to suggest some of the reasons—religious and social—for theater's perennial and universal appeal.

Twenty-five panels, which make up the exhibit, are arranged in four sections: "The Beginnings of Theater," "Tragic Theaters," "The Perennial Life of Comedy," and "Theater in the Modern World."

If some people had more horse sense they could say, "nay" a lot oftener.

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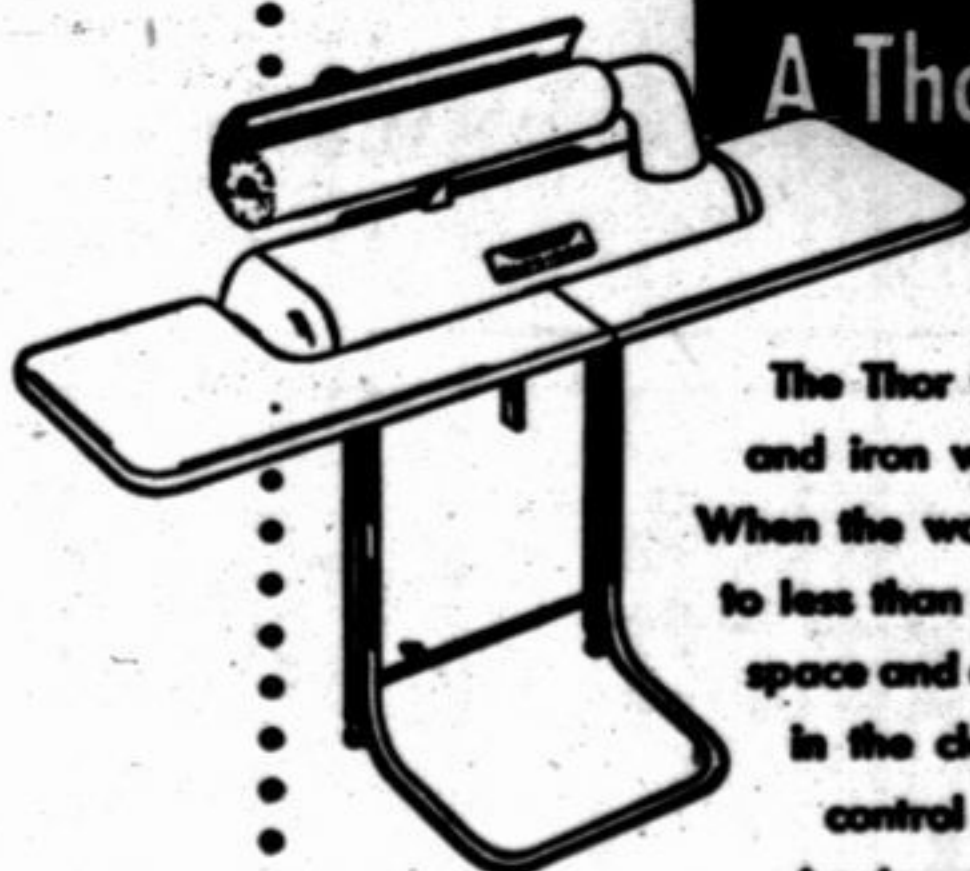
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