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will be here in January again.

Car prices? Well, I can't honestly say they're that much cheaper down here, but I would imagine they'd have to be, since Chrysler's Canadian plant is right here and Ford still has several plants here.

Remember Amarillo Slim, the Texas gambler I mentioned in this corner a few weeks ago, who accepted a challenge to make it down a River of No Return, with a \$31,000 bet to prove his point? Well ol' Amarillo made the trip in the rubber raft unscratched. He immediately went to Las Vegas to collect his winnings and promptly went looking for a little poker game. "That's the last time I bet my life on anything," he declared, as he counted the 620 \$100 bills (his \$31,000 bet included), "but if anyone wants to play a little game of poker, I'd be obliged." Someone did and within an hour, Amarillo and seven others were at a table in the Golden Nugget Casino with more than \$200,000 in chips on the table. Sorry, don't know how Slim fared in the poker game...

The quality of marijuana grown in the Windsor area is so poor that a 16-year-old Windsor youth, originally charged with trafficking in 'grass recently, received a conditional discharge in Provincial Court for possession of a garbage bag full of weed. The total amount seized -- more than 1,000 grams of plant material-- wouldn't be equivalent to 100 grams of imported marijuana said Crown Attorney Hugh Geddes. "You couldn't sell it," said the Crown Attorney, stating that Essex County marijuana was "a lot of energy to harvest for a little sensation." What it amounted to was that you'd have to smoke 10 "joints" of the local stuff to get the same effect of the imported variety. The majority of marijuana coming into Canada originates in Mexico. The Crown remarked that marijuana tends to lose its potency the

farther north it grows. I can't agree with that, though. I know someone in the Lakehead who reaped in three or four crops of mighty, potent stuff last summer..

While on the subject of marijuana, police in Elizabethton, Tenn. recently lost their prized marijuana plant. The six-foot plant was stolen after police had placed it in the window of a music store as part of a community display. The idea was apparently to inform local residents of the appearance of the illegal weed. Officers said a long-haired young man entered the store and fled with the plant. The plant had been found growing wild in Elizabethtown...

SEASON'S GREETINGS, ALL!

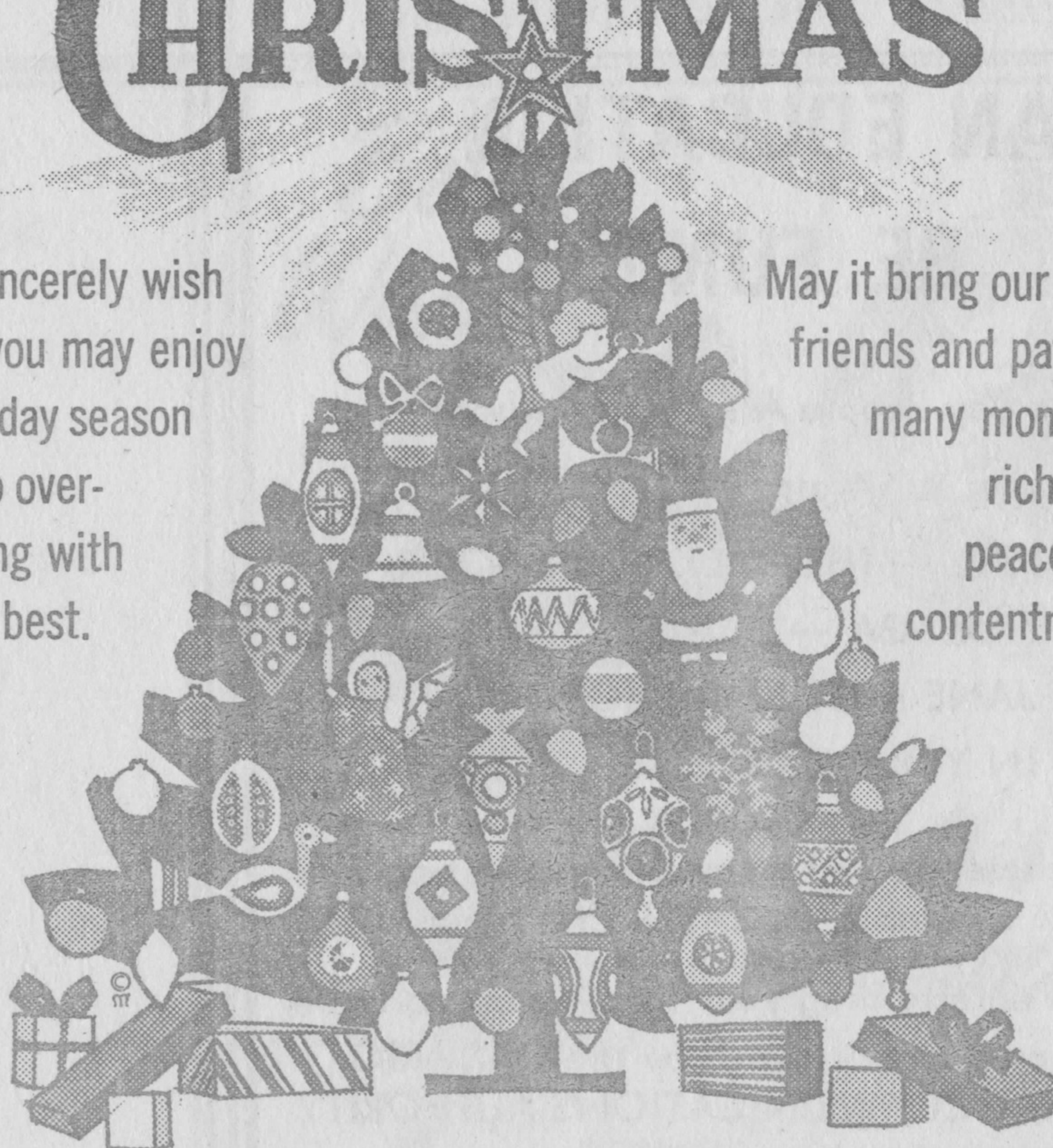
IT'S RICH

Mince pie symbolizes the riches of the East, brought by the Wise Men.

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