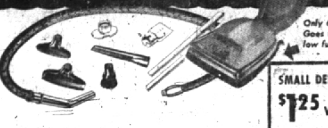


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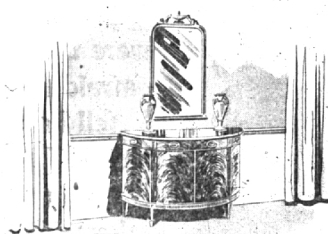


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SUSPENSE

It's the trial of one radio show and the trial of dozens of others. None of them, however, can begin to create the suspense that Christmas can.

I read the hundreds of letters which come in from the school children around town, and live again their agonies.

You write a letter to Santa Claus and drop it in the mail (when I was little it was burned and Santa read the message as the smoke poured from the chimney) and then begin to sweat it.

Will Santa get the letter? You hear daddy and mother talking about distant friends and relatives from whom they have not heard in a long time and saying casually that perhaps they wrote but the letter was lost or delayed.

WILL HE THINK you've been a good enough boy or girl to deserve these presents? You're pretty sure to run into that old saw about Santa seeing whether or not you go to bed promptly, wash behind your ears or help around the house.

Then, there are the presents, themselves, once these two terrible obstacles have been overcome.

As soon as you ask Santa for a sled your closest pal comes along with a request for skates and you begin to wonder. If you have skates, too, you can go out to gether. If the pal gets skates and you get a sled—well, it just won't work out that way.

Right then you begin to wonder if your choice was what it should have been. You start asking yourself if maybe you shouldn't write another letter to Santa, asking him to bring you skates. Or, better, just ask him to bring you the same as he is bringing you pal.

CHRISTMAS EVE seems such years away, but finally arrives. The family hustles you off to bed and you're full of high resolve to not sleep a wink all night. The first thing you know its morning and you're creeping downstairs, apprehension mounting higher with every step.

The tree's there, beautiful, sparkling, fragrant and hidden behind a mass of packages. You lift first one and then another, a little afraid to open one, yet terribly eager to have them all spread around you.

It's an awful feeling! Sometimes requests backfire, too.

I REMEMBER one Christmas I decided I wanted skates. In the true tradition I wrote and burned my letters, and as I wrote the various aunts, uncles and cousins scattered in distant parts, I informed each and all that I'd asked Santa for skates.

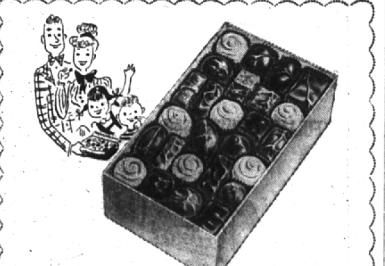
Christmas morning I found "Santa" had delivered skates—a whole mess of the things. One-bladed affairs and "bob" skates. I remember it rained that Christmas, after snowfall of about three feet the day before.

The day the gang finally cleared the quarry pond I was off. Just to be sure, I lugged along two pairs of skates—single and double runners.

WOW WAS WITH me! I discovered I had weak ankles (as well as a weak head) and couldn't use any of the blasted things! The next year it was a puppy I wanted. We had a kennel full of Airedales, but I wanted a Pekingese. Luckily for me Santa got his

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LATHRUP VILLAGE NEWS
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Dinner Guests

Several celebrities were dinner guests at the Fred B. Purdy home on Lathrup boulevard Sunday. They included Earl Morse of the Morse violin studio; Henry Liebowitz noted pianist from Detroit Conservatory of Music; Ralph Morse, prose and poetry writer and Mrs. Anita Morse of Detroit. Mr. and Mrs. Edwin C. Tieman and daughter Joan of Lathrup boulevard were also guests.

Musical

Mrs. Emma Macdonald of Glenwood boulevard was hostess Saturday at a musical given by her young piano students. Following the program refreshments were served.

Local Interest Items

Mr. and Mrs. Irwin R. Hussey of San Rosa avenue had as recent weekend guests Mr. and Mrs. John Ziegler and family of Medina, Ohio. Mrs. Ziegler is the former Cousins De Madrell of Spin Ziegler is professor at the University of Ohio. The Husseys are new residents in Lathrup Village.

The George Paiges have returned to their home on East California drive, after spending a few days in Pensacola, Fla., where they visited their daughter, and her husband, the late Lester Paiges. The Paiges also visited the Thomas Jacksons at Lake Wales, Fla., who have taken up residence there. They formerly lived in the Village. Their two weeks tour also included Saint Petersburg and New Orleans.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Walker had as house guests, for two days, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Walker, and Mr. Bobby, of Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., who are visiting at the C. C. Cover, B. C., their future home.

Mr. and Mrs. John Howard Stock have returned home after visiting their son Howard Stock, stationed at Great Lakes Naval station, Ill. The Stocks were hosts to three recruit friends of Howard's, at a dinner at Sherman College Inn, Chicago, before returning home.

On Wednesday, Dec. 6, Mrs. Stock was hostess at a birthday luncheon in honor of Mrs. Eugene Himes of Santa Barbara drive.

Christmas Party Dec. 22

The annual school play and Christmas party given by Magnolia students, will be held Dec. 22 from 1 until 3:30 p.m. This is the first major event to be held in the recently completed kindergarten room. Santa will be present to distribute presents. Mrs. William Donner will be the piano accompanist for the entire program.

Teachers Meet

At the Teachers association tea held last week in Southfield 10 school, John Emerson of Pontiac spoke on the subject, "Education a Profession?" The musical

part of the program was by Edith Larr, soprano, accompanied by Mrs. William Donner.

DAR Speaker

Three Flags Chapter DAR held their annual guest day and Christmas party Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Harold Hill in Huntington Woods. Speaker for the day was Mrs. Thomas Navin of Birmingham, who talked about her tour of the south and the schools she visited.

The gifts were exchanged and refreshments served.

Boys' Choir

Boys Republic choir of 92 voices gave a program of Christmas music at a church fair Dec. 4. Charles Henry, director of Boys Republic was the guest speaker.

Kiwanis Speaker, Plans

The guest speaker at the Dec. 13 meeting of the Southfield Kiwanis Club was Wallace Temple, recently returned from Europe. He spoke on conditions there and the fear expressed by all of another European war.

Ladies night and the annual

Christmas celebration will be the highlight of the evening, Dec. 20.

Well Attended

More than 500 persons attended the doberst bridge party given by the Shrine chapter Friday. Proceeds from the event will be used to purchase clothing, food and fuel for needy families in the parish.

Church Women Meet

The Women's Guild of the Townsite Community church met Wednesday evening in Fellowship hall. A Christmas program, in charge of Mrs. Thomas Myers, consisted of appropriate numbers by the Junior choir. Circle III served refreshments.

Meet for Business

No program was scheduled for the Wednesday noon meeting of the Birmingham Lions Club at the Community House. Following their regular luncheon period, a business meeting was conducted.

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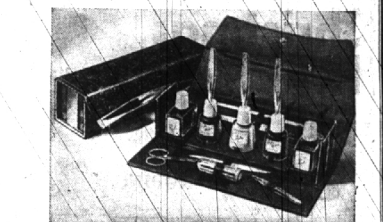
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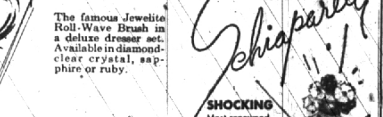
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