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Rick Lowery stole the ball from the Irish and went in and scored two of his 23 points on this pretty play.



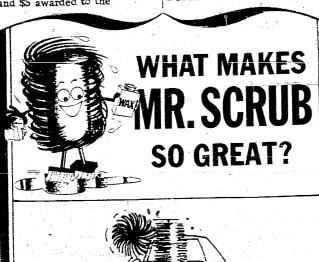
Lyle Jacobs said "boys, heres how you do it," and he did. He put is arough the basket for two of his 11 points.

The Village of Manchester is announcing that, in keeping with its tradition, outdoor Christmas displays will be judged again this year.

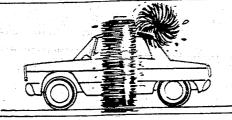
There will be prizes of \$15, \$10 and \$5 awarded to the

DECORATIONS TO BE JUDGED | three displays considered best by the judges, Mr. & Mrs. Willard Hankes and Mr. & Mrs. Herh Bersuder.

Villagers are asked to have their displays lighted between the hours of eight and eleven o'clock on Thursday evening, December 26th.



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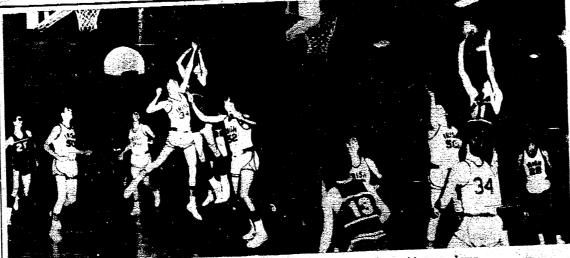
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DUTCHMEN WIN THER FOURTH STRAIGHT 66-55

The Dutchmen showed Adrian Catholic Central that they had a string of victories going to, when they met riday night. When it was all ver the Dutchmen still had heir string going, they ended drian Catholic Central's 5 game winning streak.

Rick Lowery played another ne of his fine games. He lead ll scorer with 23 points, eff Stevens had 13 points, and yle Jacobs added 11 points. The Dutchmen have showed lot of hustle and team work. they keep this up they are oing to be hard to beat. TheDutchmen's next game is Friday night at Morenci.

Go Get Em Dutch.

The JV's lost there game

"Lefty

WRESTLING

Manchesters wrestling team defeated Napoleon 28-26 at Napoleon last Tuesday. Winners for the Dutchmen were: Dan Roberts, Mark Kaiden, Tad Ryback, Rodney

Hoeft and Pete Haeussler. Saturday they again went o Napoleon to compete in an eight team tournament. Because of their victory over Napoleon they were considered as contender for first place. A few of the boys did not measure up to expectations however and the Dutch had to settle for a fourth. Place winners in this tournament were: Mark Kaiden 133 lbs. champion (undefeated) Dan Roberts 2nd place 103 lbs. Jerry Koernke 138 lbs. 3rd, Tim Preston 112 18s. 3rd, Pete Haeussler 175 lbs. 3rd., Tom Underwood 95 lbs.

	4th and Gary Stautz	4th at	145 lb
	Manchester Town Club		
	Team	Won	Lost
	Village Tap	74	31
	Tom Marshal	66	39
	S. & W.	59	- 46
	Man. Tool & Die	58	47
	Man. Speedway	55	5 2
	Al's Plumbing	51	54
	D. E. Limpert	49	56
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Here we have a couple shots of our big man Lynn Niehaus showing the boys how it is done. Lynn has had a big hand in the Dutchmen four straight win.

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Laundromat 2239	This weeks 210 Boy		
Duroclean 2217	Norm Fielder	252	
High Team Series W/H	John Korican	234	
Bakery 2237	Keith Reed	215	
Lannoms 2202	Everett Brown		
High Team Game	Doc Knauss	213	
Laundromat 801	Dave Walton	212	
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Gill's TV 796	Team	Won	Lost
Bakery 789	Duroclean	65	40
High Individual Game	Lannoms	62	43
C. Smith 242	Royalettes	57	48
L. Schultz 224	Laundromat	56	49

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Team
Tool & Die

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Spike's Mobil

Village Tap

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Keith Barber

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Spike's Mobil 1109

Walt Schaibles 1104

Village Tap 1086

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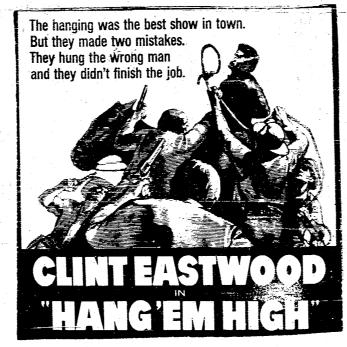
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	J. Schaffer	516

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Don't forget display judging thurs, night

The following are poems written by Mr. Raffaelli's 7th

THE CRPHANAGE CHILDREN

I thought I knew what was right,

Have a Christmas like me and you

And the Christmas tree so green.

And a bright green Christma; tree.

Those children haven't anyone.

But you yourself eat almost a ton

I wish that I could hear you say,

About letting these children have a day

That you understand how I feel

That they could call Christmas.

A day like that to them would be

The most famous man of all.

That we celebrate as Christmas.

By Connie Spiess

I have a little pine tree:

It seems to grow and grow.

I love to smell the little pine

And the skies bring only snow,

It seems like that would ruin it all

The family went to chop it down

The deer were there as if to help

When the little pine knows it must die.

But all of a sudden, there came a wind

And it was though, he looked to the sky.

I wonder if the little pine

Knows that it will have to g

And play around it in the snow.

In December, when it starts to get cold-

MY LITTLE PINE

A day of joy and happiness.

A day with gifts and a Christmas tree

And he was born on that Sunday morn,

But that's not what we have Christmas for.

It's to celebrate the day that Christ was born,

Nor really that much to eat.

And throw the rest away.

With all the gifts and lights so bright

I went to the orphanage.

On how to help those kids.

Can't you ever see,

How lucky you and me

Are to have a place to be

It was cold and wet that starless night.

They knew that they would never quite,

and eighth grade english classes.

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THE CHRISTMAS TREE

I am a little Christmas tree, Standing out in the forest alone. And when the people come to chop us down. They never take me home.

But one year they came and chopped me down, And took me out of the mean cold air. They took me in their house, And decorated me, oh, so fair!

The little children hung candy on my branches, And other people put hot lights on me. They would light me up at night, And that is when I was the happiest tree.

One night very late, A jolly old man came. He left many boxes, With many tags and names.

Jane got a dolly And don got a gum. Mom and Dad got presents too, And we all had lots of fun.

Christmas Day I was lit all the time, And I was always warm. But when company would come Don would blow his horn.

But then one day, They took all my decorations off. Then they put me back out in the cold air, And I started to cough.

I really got sick, And coughed quite a bit. But then I died, And I wasn't a hit,

By Susan Kidd

WINTER

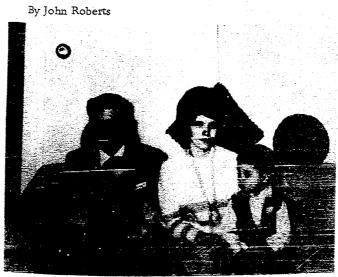
Winter is full of fun and joy For every girl and boy. Although it is very cold It is still fun for young and old.

The snowman out the window looks so bright But even more, in the morning light. The night is very still But it will still give me a chill.

Down the hill I will go so fast Because the snow has come at last. Out on the lake the ice is slick And thank heaven that it is thick.

On Christmas Day I will feel so gay Because all I'll do is play, play, play. Out of all the toys I will get The one that is the best is the baseball mit.

Out of doors I go out to play Because I got a brand new sleigh. Now Christmas has come and gone But it is not gone for very long.



Seasons Greetings to all the customers who patronize our print shop from Brian Ahern and his family. Brian is manager of Rymack Printing.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

MANCHESTER, MICHIGAN



We hope you enjoy this years Christmas issue. We wanted to do something different and here it is. We thank the merchants and businessmen with their advertisements who make possible a paper in a small town like ours.

Pat and I are having a special Christmas this year. For the first time we're having to answer all kinds of questions; Like, how does Santa get down the small chimney, and how does he keep from getting all dirty? We get the added pleasure of watching two children who, until a year ago in their foster home, didn't know what Christmas was.

Our family wishes you and your family a very Merry Christmas and we thank all those who help make possible our dream of publishing a newspaper.

NEWS DEADLINE

The next paper will be published on January 2, 1969. Deadline for this paper will be Monday, December 30, 1968.

SANTA'S HELPERS

The Optimist Club Santa Claus handed out 500 boxes of goodies to Manchester children on Saturday, December 21 and over 250 of the boxes contained prizes contributed by Manchester merchants and other shop keepers.

The following people furnished prizes in the form of cash or merchandise to gladden the hearts of Manchester kiddies:

Walt Schaible

Grossman-Huber Sutton Agency IGA Market Doc Knaus Rumler & Shannon Riverside Barber Shop Fred & Ellen's Restaurant D. E. Limpert Fillyaw Ashland Service Koebbe Welding Gambles Store Widmayer Hardware Manchester Bakery Manchester Stamping Keith's Barber Shop Marx & Marx Widmayer Furniture Union Savings Bank Lawrence Bross Willard Mann Al's Plumbing Manchester Enterprise The Kopper Kettle Spike's Mobil Service Tom Marshall, Inc. L. V. Kirk Ben Franklin Store Brown's Radio & TV Village Beauti-Land The Manchester Chamber of

Commerce is grateful to these

contributors and we are sure the

party was enjoyed by the kiddies.



But the little pine was not forlorn. The family dragged it through the fields And the dog even helped. The dog, as if to say, It's Christmas time, he yelped.

By Debbie McGee

On a cold windy morn.



We caught Santa in the act of passing out presents on the street for the Optimists. The Chamber of Commerce also helped pack surprizes into the boxes.

We should give as we would receive, Cheerfully, quickly, and without hesitation; for there is no grace in a benefit that sticks to the fingers.

Patience and time do more than strength or passion.

RIVERVIEW

BARBER SHOP

MANCHESTER

We appreciate the fine cooperation and support of the community during the past year and look forward to working with you in 1969 for the betterment of Manchester.

Village Council

Earl Alber

WHY SANTA CLAUS CHOSE THE REINDEER

by Estelle Hitchcock Lane

This is a story about the very first Christmas Eve that Santa Claus ever made his trip around the world. He was quite a young man then, and he had found it rather dreary at the North Pole, with nothing to do but slide down

icebergs and play with the Polar Bears. One day, some of the Snow Birds that come north for the summer told him about many children living in the rest of the world, who were sad because they had no toys. That gave Santa Claus an idea. He built a great big work shop and called together the Elves and Brownies and Fairles, who were his good friends. All the year long,

they worked together, making

dolls and sleds and games and

The animals wanted to help. They, too, were Santa Claus' friends. He let them into the shop, but it just didn't work very well. The Polar Bears, who insisted on playing with the dolls, were so clumsy they were always dropping and breaking them. The seals would stand up on their tails and dance to the tunes of the

music boxes, and were in everybody's way. The Arctic Dogs just couldn't resist shaking up all the stuffed cats and bunnies. The Reindeer suddenly became quite frivolous when they saw all the gay balloons. They tossed them into the air with their noses, but the balloons caught on their antlers and broke with a bang.

Santa Claus finally just had to put out the animals and lock



Rex, Teresa and Dawn Children of Mr. & Mrs. Spiegelberg of Grass Lake.



David, Dennis, Michelle and Dawn Children of Mr. & Mrs. Marvin Keezer of Manchester. *************



Children of Mr. & Mrs. Laurence Bowers of Manchester.



Craig and Amy Children of Bradely and Brian sons of Mr. & Mr. David Little of Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Ahrens of Manchester.



Timothy, Pamela, Terry, Michael and Joseph Children of Mr. & Mrs. Ray Ebersole



Rodney, Boyd and Brent Children of Mr. & Mrs. Clifford Elloitt of Manchester.

IN THE MUSIC OF A SONG

When we hear the Christmas carols How our hearts with gladness beat --Whether in the quiet churches, Or along the busy street.

Songs of love and peace and beauty, Come to us at Christmastide; Make us kinder to each other, Plant the seeds of love inside.

So We'll sing our Christmas carols, With the happy human throng, Hoping all will find a blessing In the music of a song.

Grace Oldershaw

"If I gave away what was given to me, I would be unkind to the giver, you see," Declared Father, and Mother said, too, "It would not be a nice thing to do."

So on Christmas Day, when Father woke up, He found by his side a little live pup, With a card that said, "Daddy from Jim."

And Jim gave his mother a nice present, too,

"I know," said wee Jim, "that you'll let the pup stay, For you said it was rude to give presents away."



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When thou makest presents, let them be of such things as will last long; to the end they may be in some sort immortal and may frequently refresh the memory of the receiver.

Manchester Coin Dry Cleaning

& Laundromat

the door. They stood in the snow,

looked longingly into the windows, and felt hurt because Santa Claus

didn't come out to play with them

any more. In fact, they grumbled

Robert son of Mr. & Mrs.

a good deal.

THORNTON

INDUSTRIES

One can never pay in gratitude,

one can only pay "in kind" some-where else in life.

Anne Morrow Lindbergh

flowing. Santa Claus drew a long breath and sat down to rest, while all the Elves and Brownies and

Finally, the toys were all

completed. The shop was over-



Gary Harold son of Mr. & Mrs. Harold Bross of Manchester.



William son of Mr. & Mrs. Michael Scully of Manchester.

"Bah! Humbug!"

So the old fellow said.

As he slammed the door

And went home to bed.

"Merry Christmas!"

He had snorted at one,

"Little good it does you,

Little good ever done!"

I say similar things . . .

I'm an old Scrooge, too!

"This Christmas stuff is silly,

There's too much expense!"

How about you?

I buster around.

Has little defense:

It's all so commercial.



Christina and Michie Jo Children of Mr. & Mrs. Roy Gehringer of Manchester.

Fairies curled up and went to sleep, they were so tired. "Now," said Santa Claus, "the next question is how to get all these things to the children! Here are the toys and there is



Christopher and Cheryl Children of Mr. & Mrs. Larry Hazen of Manchester.



Richard and Randy sons of Mr. & Mrs. Roger Crist of

The secret of giving affectionately is great and rare; it requires address to do it well; otherwise we lose instead of deriving benefit from

RUMLER & SHANNON RECREATION TAVERN

> my sleigh waiting to take them, but who will pull it?" "We will," cried the Polar Bears, delighted at a chance to have a share in things again. "We will!" cried the Reindeer.



Eric Thomas son of Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Walchak of Manchester.



Shawn son of Mr. & Mrs. Armond Dresch of Manchester.

THE GIFT THAT REMAINED

"Is it right to give one's own presents away?
Asked little boy Jim of his father one day, As Christmas was drawing near.

A little dog collar, all shiny and new.

Then good-will increases, Merry greetings I hear, And I end up by wishing It would last all the year!

Barton Rees Pogue

IT'S CHRISTMAS

Candles lighted In a row, Casting shadows As they glow.

Holly, pine

And mistletoe. On the lawn New-fallen snow. Stockings bulging, How they strain ---

By the mantel

Once again.

Eager faces Breathless pause --Speechless wonder Of Santa Claus!

Children's laughter, Oh, what joy For each small girl And each small boy.

Surprise and rapture In each eye --Have you guessed The reason why??

IT'S CHRISTMAS!

American Legion

God often speaks So soft and mild, From out the heart Of each small child.

A little child . Can often lead To one who can Fulfill our need

The innocence Of children small Can surely win The hearts of all.

Their quick forgiveness, Loving ways, Are what we need To fill our days.

The gates of Heaven Are open wide To those with faith Just like a child.

Keith's Barber Shop

THE MANCHESTER FARMS

He gives not best who gives most; but he gives most who gives best. - If I cannot give bountifully, yet I will give freely, and what I want in my hand, I will supply by my heart.

G. E.

WACKER

Happiness can be built only on virtue, and must of necessity have truth forits foundation.



truly loves is a paradise on earth; he has God in himself, for God is love.

The heart of him who

BRAUN IMPLEMENT & HARDWARE

"Oh, please let us!" exclaimed the Seals, flopping up to Santa

and crowding around him. "The idea!" cried the Dogs. "The very idea of Seals drawing a sleigh! They're so slow they wouldn't get there for a year. We are the ones to do it, of course."

This hurt the Seals' feelings. They were very sensitive about being slow on land. When Santa Claus saw big tears rolling down from their eyes and dropping onto

their flippers, he just couldn't stand it, for he was very tenderhearted.

"Of course the Seals shall do it," he said. "What if they are a little slow? If they keep at it, they'll get there all right."

He hitched the Seals up to the sleigh, and away they went, flopping along over the ice. It was a little slow, but Santa Claus was very patient. When, however, they were about 15 degrees from

the North Pole and Santa Claus told them to head first to Alaska, one Seal said:

"Oh, no! Let's go to Greenland first. I have a third cousin who lives in Greenland, and I've always wanted to see that country. This is a great chance!" And he set out for Greenland.

"I should say not!" said the second seal. "I've always heard that the fish in the waters of Australia are the most delicious

in the world. We'll go to Australia first." And he set out for Australia.

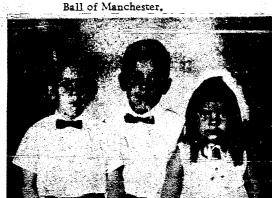
Each Seal wanted to go in a different direction, Santa Claus tried to reason with them.

"But the main thing is to get the gifts to the children. We can see every one of these countries in the end, if only you will all pull together and follow my directions."

But the Seals were very



Michael, Mark and Michelle Children of Mr. & Mrs. Leon



Carl, Frederic and Vivien Children of Mr. & Mrs. Edward Townsend of Manchester.

Waiting up for Santa?

Waiting up for Santa?

You're such a sleepy one --And even though you're half awake It still is lots of fun!

Your dolly's sleepy, too --

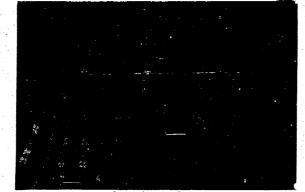
Of course, you want to give him A hug and a kiss or two!



Children of Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Burch of Manchester.



Ricky, Nicky, Timmy and Lou Anne, Children of Mr. & Mrs. Richard Krzyzaniak



Hollis Jr., Jill and Keri Children of Mr. & Mrs. Hollis Knickerbocker of Manchester.



Robert and John sons of Mr. & Mrs. James Curley of Manchester.

Grief can take care of itself: but to get the full value of joy you must have somebody to divide it with.

SPORTSMAN TAVERN

Waiting up for Santa? And you've a candy cane You picked out especially To help him down Christmas lane!

Waiting up for Santa? You tousled sleepy head, Why, don't you know that Santa Never comes 'til you're in bed!

happy holiday.

A & B IGA MARKET

Mark Twain

Monday's child is fair of face, Tuesday's child is full of grace, Wednesday's child is full of woe, Thursday's child has far to go, Friday's child is loving, giving, Saturday's child works hard for a living; And a child that is born on the Sabbath day Is fair and wise and good and gay.

Widmayer Hardware Widmayer Furniture

Friends at home and friends afar, These my Christmas wishes are: Loved ones near and those away, Peaceful be your Christmas Day.

Comfort, Lord, the sick and sore; To the weary, strength restore.
'Til the shades of night shall fall Happy be the day for all.

May the star that guided them To the child at Bethlehem, Symbol of good will to men, Just as brightly shine again.

Edgar A. Guest

JENTER FUNERAL HOME

Give us the strength to encounter that which is to come, that we may be brave in peril, constant in tribulation, temperate in

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wrath, and in all changes of fortune, and down to the gates of death, loyal and loving one to another.

Robert Louis Stevenson

Higgins & Son Orchard

stubborn; and Santa Claus had to

give up and go back to the North

said to himself. "After all, they

Christian and Grace Children

of Mr. & Mrs. Max Brooks

of Manchester.

are the ones best fitted to draw

"I'll let the Dogs do it," he

Agency the sleigh."

He hitched up the Dogs and

No person is either so

happy or so unhappy as he

Sutton

imagines.

set out again. But before they had reached Alaska the Dogs began to quarrel with each other.



Thomas son of Mr. & Mrs. Jack Lockridge of Manchester.



Sara daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Matthew son of Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rigg of Manchester. Robert Durham of Manchester.



of the load or I won't pull mine," said the first Dog. "I am pulling my share. You're the one that's holding back," snarled

the second Dog. "I think you're all leaving



Kristin Jo daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Richard Stein of



Ricky son of Mr. & Mrs. Richard Winnick of Manchester.

most of it to me!" whined another

Ask, and it shall be given you;

knock, and it shall be opened

and he that seeketh findeth;

For ever one that asketh receiveth:

and to him that knocketh it shall

Luke 11:9

UPHAUS

REXALL DRUG STORE

seek, and ye shall find;

unto you:

be opened.

Dog.
"Come! Come!" said Santa, "this is no way to do. Let's stop trying to see who's not doing his share. Let's all try to pull as hard



David Fowler son of Mr. & Mrs. David Fowler of Manchester.



Danette and Kent Children of Mr. & Mrs. Ralph England of Manchester.

O world, thou choosest not the better part! It is not wisdom to be only And on the inward vision close

the eyes, But it is wisdom to believe the heart.

WURSTER GREENHOUSE

Serving God with our little,

is the way to make it more; and

we must never think that wasted

with which God is honored, or

men are blest.

George Santayana

Ten dimpled fingers And ten tiny toes; A nose like a button, A mouth like a rose.

Skin solf as petals And creamy as milk; On top of the small head Just one curl made of silk.

A mother looks down On these tear-tugging charms And finds she's held heaven Enclosed in her arms.

Haller & Son

And I said to the man who stood at the Gate of the Year: "Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown!"

And he replied: "Go out into the darkness and put thine hand into the Hand of God. That shall be to thee better than any light -- and safer than a known way."

M. L. Haskins

GAMBLE STORE GILL'S T.V.

KOEBBE WELDING Manchester, Mich.

Albert

Frederick Wurster Mar.

as we can ourselves and never

mind what the other Dog does.

After all, the main thing is to get

The Dogs agreed that it was.

Finally, the first Dog stopped

They all wanted to get the gifts to

the children, but each one was

so afraid he was doing more than

his share.

these gifts to the children, isn't

Calvin Coolidge

Duraclean

the sleigh, too.

his patience.

Polar Bears wanted very much

This above all: to thine own self be true. And it must follow, as the night the day, Thou canst not then be false to any man.

William Shakespeare "Hamlet"

Fillyaw's Ashland

to help, but the Reindeer, being always unselfish, gave in to the "I'm not going any further Polar Bears, and off they went. unless the rest will do their share,

said the first Dog.

Then Santa Claus almost lost the Polar Bears were always very good natured and obliging. They "If you can't all forget yourtrotted along merrily, Santa Claus selves and work together, we'll singing lustily as they went, until never get there," he said, and he they came down to the timber took them back to the North Pole. Both the Reindeer and the

"Oh, just wait a minute

said the first Polar Bear, and before Santa Claus could stop him, he was off, taking most of "Now we'll surely get there, the team with him. said Santa Claus to himself, for

"No! No!" shouted the second Bear, "I want to explore that cave." And he set out in the other direction.

Claus, very much discouraged. "I had forgotten how curious these Bears always are. We'll



Lisa and Jodie daughters of Mr. & Mrs. Lauren Huber of Manchester.



Valerie, Cory and Tracy Children of Mr. 5 Mrs. Gerald W. Pierce of Manchester.



Elizabeth, George, William, Karen, Brian, Brenda, Christopher, and Kenneth Children of Mr. 6 Mrs. William Merriman



A. Michael Jr., Thomas P., and Gregory S., Children of Mr. & Mrs. A. Michael Rossettie of Manchester,



Lynn, Mark, and Lori Children of Manchester.



Wanita, John and Brenda Children of Mr. & Mrs. Allen Benedict, of Manchester.

NO GREATER BLESSING

It's good that Christmas comes around To make us stop and say An extra kindly word or two To those who pass our way. Reminding us that we should write To friends who are far and near, Perhaps to some we do not send Except but once a year.

It's good that Christmas comes around Because it's fun to choose Some luxury for those we love . . . A joy too great to lose. To watch the glory of a child As Santa Claus arrives, No greater blessing can we find To cherish all our lives.

It's good that Christmas comes around To help us to recall It is the Birthday of a King Who came to save us all.

Hilda Butler Farr

MANCHESTER FOOD LOCKERS

Nothing so small can hold so much As a baby's eager hands.

The sculptor spends much time and skill, The artist blends with care. Each strives to capture mysteries That God implanted there.

Nothing so small can hold so much As a baby's eager hands.

Fragile as a hilltop bloom That the wind may blow apart, Yet strong enough they readily Can hold the human heart.

K & W FARM SUPPLY

THE HILLS KEEP CHRISTMAS

Here in the hills Nobody sees The decorated Christmas trees --The hemlocks And the firs aglow With taper icicles And snow.

Nobody sees The white-wrapped gifts: The frost stars dusted On the drifts; The branches looped With tinsel flame, Yet hills keep Christmas Just the same.

Ethel Romig Fuller

MANCHESTER SPEEDWAY

the shore.

never get this job done, if they

He got out of the sleigh and

Terri, Colleen and Kevin

Scully of Manchester.

Children of Mr. & Mrs. James

have to investigate everything

made them all sit down in the

snow, while he talked to them

they see."

very seriously.

Help thy brother's boat across,

and lo! thine own has reached

ROLLER'S JEWELRY

Hindu Proverb

Music is well said to be the speech of the angels.

MANCHESTER BAKERY & GROCERY

while I go and climb that tree!"

"Oh, dear!" exclaimed Santa



of Mr. 6 Mrs. Lawrence Gonyer,



Dawn Marie daughter of Mr. & Mrs. James Randall of Manchester.



"Don't you see," he said,

"that the main thing is to get

these gifts to the children? We

must do that whether or not we

The Polar Bears agreed,

and promised to be good, and they

do all these other things."

Kristi daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Richard Kuntz of Manchester.

POSTLUDE

After the carols have faded,

After the holly withers,

After the dream has ended,

Alice E. Kennelly

And the gifts have been tucked away.

And the snow has mouldered to gray --

Where needles came tumbling down --

And the candles are stubs of formless wax,

And the berries are rusted brown,

And the embers are burning low,

May the Christ, the Heart of Christmas,

Still brighten the afterglow.

And the carpets sparkle with tinseled fir



Toni daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Larry England of Manchester.

Backward, turn backward, O Time in your flight; Make me a child again just for tonight.

Elizabeth Akers Allen

went on again. But every time

they came to something new, they

the toys and started to investigate.

Santa Claus was pretty dis-

forgot all about the children and

couraged, when he had to turn

back for the third time. As he

So nigh is grandeur to our dust, So near is God to man. When Duty whispers low, "Thou

The youth replies, "I can."

Ralph W. Emerson

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whole thing.
Before they went far, the first Reindeer said to the others, "Remember, we all want one

finally set out with the Reindeer

harnessed to the sleigh, he won-

dered if he'd have to give up the



Tom, Lisa and Laurie Children of Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Fitzgerald



Lisa Diane daughter of Mr. & Mrs. James E. Sloat Jr. of Manchester.

There's an old country church 'way back in memory That I never expect to visit again, But I'll never forget it -- the

church in the valley Where the old and the young for Christmas would rally.

There was always a tree and candles aglow To cast a shadow on the glistening

As a good old Santa dressed in his best Would find a present for every guest.

I still seem to hear the bell that would ring, And a message of good tidings its tolling would bring, As in sleighs filled with straw and from miles around Came gay country folks in answer to its sound.

'Twas there at the church that true friendships were born, Surviving many holidays that have passed and gone, As good folks joined together to frolic and play. And be happy and cheerful on a Christmas Day.

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CHRISTMAS IS REMEMBERING

Christmas is remembering . . . The road to Santa Claus, The blessed time of childhood That meant so much . . . because It held the tinseled magic Of fairyland array, When all the world was laughter --And life was only play.

Christmas is remembering . . . A tree ablaze with light, The family gathered closely And knowing deep delight.

Exchanging gifts and sharing, The gaiety and song That star the festive season --Each time it comes along.

Christmas is remembering . . . Our friends who!re far and near, By giving and receiving . . . A season always dear.

The mistletoe and holly, As scarlet tapers glow, The Christ Child in a manger --So very long ago.

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Charles Dickens

For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

John 3:16

The World is full of sounds so dear, There's music always for the ear.

But one sound lifts the soul most high, It is a newborn babe's first cry.

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thing more than anything else --

to get these gifts to the children.

So, let's forget everything else

together until the job is done."

And away they went like the

we might like to do and all pull

WALT SCHAIBLE

LANNOM'S

safely and swiftly around the world. And that's why they have been doing it ever since.

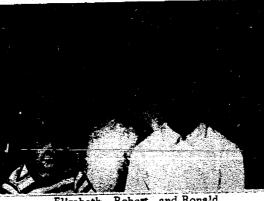
PEACE ON EARTH



Barbara, Kathleen and Rebecca daughters of Mr. & Mrs. Robert Paul of Manchester.



Karen and Melissa daughters of Mr. & Mrs. William Bunney of Manchester.



Children of Mr. & Mrs. Robert



Michelle daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Eldon Lamb of Manchester



The other animals were

very cross. The Seals went and

iceberg. The Dogs crowded into

banged their heads against an

a corner of the work shop and

sulked. The Polar Bears spent

Amy and Grace daughters of Mr. & Mrs. Glaude Day of Manchester.

THESE ARE NEEDED

It takes much more than candlelight

Or trees with tinsel shining bright,

It takes a smile, a hand clasped tight,

Let's make this Christmas season bright

Let's smile and belp the world be gay,

When shone that first and glorious light --

And make the world more bright this day,

Nina Phalen

And love, and heartfelt prayer, Kind thoughts, good deeds, and wrongs made right,

To make a Christmas glow,

Or ice, or glittering snow.

All these can prove we care.

And glowing as of old,

A star as bright as gold.

Extend a friendly hand,

This is the way God planned.



their time teasing the Brownies.

But because they forgot them-

selves and all pulled together the

Reindeer carried Santa's sleigh

They tickled the Fairles and

woke them up.

Margaret Mary daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Robert Curtis of Manchester.



Danell daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Lorenzo Steele of Manchester.

YULETIDE

Just a little more patience, Just a little more cheer, A little more laughter For children to hear.

A mound of forgiveness, A little less speed, And more of remembering Our fellow man's need.

Just a little more living. Just a little more love: These are the things The season's made of!

Irma Ross

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BROWN'S

FAITH COMMUNITY CHURCH

Wednesday evening, Dec. 31 there will be a Watch Night

Service at the church from 9

to 12 p.m. The young people

will be in charge of the program.

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Brian, Laurie and Mark Children

of Mr. & Mrs. Edwin Walz of

December 26, 1968

Katheryn Logan

He prayeth best, who loveth best All things both great and small; For the dear God who loveth us, He made and loveth all.

Samuel Taylor Coleridge.

Terry, Ronda and Carlene

McKenzie of Manchester.

Children of Mr. & Mrs. Douglas

Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal.

CHELSEA LANES

Spike's Mobil

Sunday, Jan. 5 Missionary Sunday will be observed during the 11 a.m. Sunday School hour. SHAKESPEARE CLUB MEETS

The Shakespeare Club held their Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Martin Keasal, with Mrs. Alvin Clark and Mrs. Elias Dennis

assisting hostesses. The home was gaily decorated in keeping with the Christmas season - as was the table from which the delicious 1:00 luncheon was served.

During the afternoon the entertainment committee, Mrs. Philip Kern and Mrs. Paul Feldkamp, had planned some interesting games and quizes, after which a gift exchange was enjoyed by



Kirk Alan, Kristi Lynne and Kelly Trish Children of Mr. & Mrs. Douglas Hughes of Manchester,



Keith and Richard sons of Mr. & Mrs. Harold Bertke of Manchester



Michelle daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Brian Alber of Manchester.

Yellow lamplight flickering On frosted windowpane . . . Sound of sleigh bells echoing From every country lane . . .

Kelly Ann daughter of Mr. & Mrs.

Douglas Higgins of Manchester.

Holly wreath with crimson bow, Fastened to the door . . . Yule log sending fireshine Across a polished floor . . .

Fragrance from the kitchen range Permeates the place . . . And a sort of hungry look Comes to every face . . .

Paper chains and popcorn strings Decorate the tree . . . Lighted candles will reveal The sweet nativity.

May your joys be manifold This Christmas Holiday . . . As we recall His holy birth In the old-fashioned way.

M. FAULHABER

Excavating

I looked down at my tousled sleepyhead --Both arms full of toys he had taken to bed,

The smile of contentment that lighted his face Hardly gave evidence of the day's hurried pace.

Here he was dreaming of his now-new possessions, Reason enough for that happy expression.

Here then was joy and contentment complete In those tightly-clutched armfuls, and a drum, badly beat;

With his teddy bear sitting on top of his bed And a bright rubber ball lying near his head.

And now, in child dreamland he smiles as he lay Surrounded by his toys of this Christmas Day.

G. W. Westerman

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MENDIS IRON

Ring out the old, ring in the new, Ring, happy bells, across the snow.

"In Memoriam"

ALMA'S Beauty Salon The best way to know God is to love many things.

Vincent van Gogh

1 N C.

He who has health has hope, and he who has hope has everything.

Arabian Proverb

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Manchester

The next meeting of the club will be Tuesday, Jan. 7 at 2 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Clayton Parr, with Mrs. Wm. Palmer having the program.

Have a Merry Christmas



Erik Douglas son of Mr. & Mrs. David Minick of Manchester.

Ann, Jean, Sharon, Carol

Widmayer of Manchester.

daughters of Mr. & Mrs. Richard

I would advise you to find out

I think it would be well to know

Why maple trees have earrings on;

And why tops sing when they are spun,

And where the wind goes when it's gone.

Why shells give back the ocean's sound.

And what holds stars up in their place,

And where a fairy might be found.

You'd better know why winding toys

Won't run with carpets on the floor;

And you must have your reasons, too,

MRS. FIELDER NOW HOME

Mrs. Gertrude Fielder has returned home from the hospital in time for the holidays her family reports. Although still recuperating from injuries suf-



Jeffrey Earl son of Mr. & Mrs. Earl Horning of Manchester.

fered in an auto accident several weeks ago she is progressing steadily and is able to enjoy brief visits with family and friends.

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What can I give Him Poor as I am? If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb; If I were a wise man, I would do my part: Yet what can I give Him. Give my heart!

Christina G. Rossetti

John B. Fahey, Broker

There was a star burned brightly in a sky of bleak despair, And hearts looked up to notice a difference in the air. Joy spread like a ripple

Why snowballs will not keep indoors. and faith became a flame, To match the star-bright Symbol

Merry Browne

The night that Christmas came.

With sentiment sincere . . . To add a world of pleasure and . . . To multiply your cheer . . . God bless you with the courage to . . . Pursue each noble guest . . . And grant this golden Yule will be . . . By far your happiest . . . May all the ornaments and lights . . . Upon the Christmas tree . . . Reflect the peace and comfort of . . . Your loving family . . . May every moment of your life . . . Seem wonderful and new . . . And in the year a week away May all your dreams come true.

James J. Metcalfe

County Young Republicans for 1969. Also elected to the exe-

Kristi and Jimmy Children of Mr. & Mr. Jim Lyon of Manchester.

Joanne daughter of Mr. & Mrs.

Joseph Kastl of Manchester.

er 26, 1968

Somehow, not only for Christmas But all the long year through, The joy that you give to others Is the joy that comes back to you.

John Greenleaf Whittier

Hoover Ball & Bearing

How can a fuzzy, wiggly pup Hang in my little sock, With balls and trucks and aeroplanes. And telephones that talk?

I've left a note for Santa that said, "Please fill my sock to the brim; Put my puppy in my warm bed . . . I'll be waiting for him."

KOPPER KETTLE

. . . and it was always said of him, that he knew how to keep Christmas well . . . May that be truly said of us, and all of us! And so, as Tiny Tim observed, God bless us, Every One!

> Charles Dickens "A Christmas Carol"

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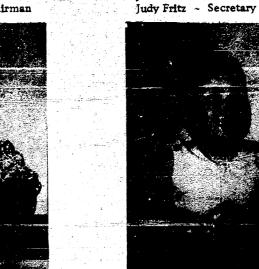
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Julie daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Albert Gebhardt of Manchester.

The mind of a child is a beautiful place, God bless you on this Christmas An Eden where many Day . . . With happiness supreme . . . things grow, And may you gather all the gifts . . . A garden of beauty where, Of which you ever dream . . . May sheltered by love, all your friends remember you . . . Grow flowers in

row upon row. The mind of a child is a wonderful place, Where wishes and dreams are so real...

Where kittens and puppies and gingerbread men Can talk and can actually feel. The mind of a child is a

mystical place, Where character grows like a tree, And children reflect both goodness and love, If they learn it at Mother's knee.

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What is so sweet as a baby's smile As it drifts into slumberland?

What is so dear as the velvet touch Of its clutching baby hand?

What is so precious in all the world As the touch of a baby's cheek

Against your own... while a song you hum, Singing your baby to sleep.

Fred and Ellen's

Buggies and highchairs, car seats and cribs, Blankets and booties, and sweet baby bibs.

Bottles and rattles, toys everywhere, These are the signs that a baby is there.

Bassinets and nighties, diapers and pins, Who cares if a baby is a her or a him? A cuddly baby coos and whenever

it smiles... Makes life so much better and living worthwhile.

Someone to rock, to sing and to play, Is happiness enjoyed, makes the light of the day. A baby so tiny, to feed and to dress, Is a baby you love, to hold and caress.

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