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State Christmas Seal Sale Is Lagging

Despite the record holiday buying boom reported by merchants throughout the state, the mail sale of Christmas Seals in Kentucky is lagging behind last year's mark, according to a mid-campaign report from John R. Woods, president of the Kentucky Tuberculosis Association.

A comparison of the returns in 94 counties for the first 23 days of the sale shows the statewide contributions to be running nearly $7,000 behind the 1955 drive.

"If this trend continues," Woods explained, "the 1956 Seal Sale will fall $15,000 short of last year's total and more than $30,000 short of the budget planned for an expanded 1957 tuberculosis control program in Kentucky.

"According to news reports, this is a record buying year in the luxury field," Woods observed. "Yet, although Christmas Seal appeal letters were sent to more Kentuckians than last year, fewer have sent in a contribution.

"The tragic part of this apparent decline of interest in tuberculosis here is that the disease presents an even greater problem to the people of Kentucky today than it did last year," Woods warned. "It is true that the death rate has been cut by 50 percent in the past five years through the development of new drugs and improved methods of treatment, but there are more people being treated for TB than ever before in Kentucky's history.

"Kentucky has the second highest TB death rate and third highest case rate in the nation."

Work started by WPA on new reservoir; nearly 200,000 pounds burley sold here

Thursday, December 24, 1936

Preliminary work was started Monday on the construction of a dam for the creation of a new lake for the Carlisle water works when a small force of men was put to work by the Works Progress Administration.

Donald Toadvine, 12-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Toadvine, of the Headquarters section, had the highest average crop of tobacco in the district 4-H club tobacco show held at Lexington Saturday. He sold 222 pounds for $169.

Thomas Jackson, of the Bald Hill section, suffered painful burns on the hands in rescuing his children from their burning home, which was destroyed by fire last Friday morning.

Approximately 400 pounds of tobacco of the best quality was stolen from two barns in the Moorefield section of the county Tuesday night.

One basket of tobacco in the crop of Hanson Crump and Frank Henry brought $676.20 on the Lexington market Monday. The basket of logs weighed 980 pounds and brought $69 per hundred pounds.

Sleet, followed by snow, fell throughout Central Kentucky, beginning Friday, and for several days streets and highways were dangerous to travel.

Sam Smith reported to authorities Monday morning that approximately 15 chickens were stolen from his home near town Sunday night.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Blake, a daughter, on Monday evening.

DIED—Owen Rawlings, 18, of the Bunyard Road section, at St. Joseph's hospital in Lexington Sunday as a result of injuries sustained in an automobile accident on the night of Dec. 12.

Thursday, December 28, 1916

C. U. Bramblett, leases room under Deposit Bank and will move his real estate office.

Dr. J. Banta Glenn entertains with dinner in honor of 82nd birthday anniversary of his father, M. A. Glenn.

Tobacco market opens here Monday after Christmas holidays with approximately 200,000 pounds sold at an average of $17.98.

MARRIED—Miss Addie Bruce Gray and Thomas Ring, both of the county, on the 20th.—Miss Audra Kenney and Elmer Frederick, both of the county, on the 27th.—Miss Hattie Buntin and Ben F. Duncan, both of the county, on the 20th.—Miss Edith Burns and Charles Dale, both of the county.

DIED—James E. Bowen, 70, former Jailer, at his home in Carlisle on the 26th.

Karnal off the Cob

Shortly Before he died, Irvin S. Cobb left some directions on how his funeral was to be conducted. He said he'd be happy to have some members of the Paducah lodge of Elks attend the last rites. He explained, "Judging by my latest votes in the basement of the Elks Club, it wouldn't do them a bit a harm if some of the habitues there got out in the open air, if only for a trip to the cemetery."

A LITTLE YAPPIN'

By Nellie Crump

The long, long trail a-windin'

My highlight for days now has been just thinking of my angel mother's 100th birthday anniversity which will be Thursday. The seventh and youngest child of the late Amos and Annie Dewitt Feeback, she was born on a farm "below Headquarters" on Dec. 27, 1856. Married W. T. Crump in the Headquarters Methodist church on Sunday, Sept. 13, 1885.

There have been many changes since 1856. They witnessed the building of the railroad through Carlisle and the advent of electricity, the telephone and the automobile.

They were the parents of two daughters, myself being the oldest, and Ruth who passed away in 1927, and a son who died in infancy.

(I was also granted the privilege of attending the Golden Wedding anniversary of my parents in 1935).

—yap—

Thanks where thanks are due.

I think it just plain right and the correct thing to do to tell a few people who possibly haven't been around there yet how Allie Clinkenbeard and Effie are thinking of the convenience of older people. Maybe taking the cue from Lexington stores, but it's wonderful. They have placed a comfortable bench in their store near the front door for customers to drop down for "second wind" in the rush of holiday buying. It is a great and timely gesture—and a place to deposit the armload of packages while going through the hand-big for that dog-gioned list that always manages to hit rock bottom. Their thoughtfulness is the "talk of the town."

—yap—

Beauty Beyond Comparison.

Christmas decorations have never been more lovely and Carlisle never looked sweeter than right now. No prizes are offered this year that I've heard of—it all comes from the heart. Even if I were the judge it would be impossible to decide who wins. A few in particular appeal especially, maybe because I see them more, but you will be glad to, if you look at that beautiful wreath on the Deposit Bank door, then note especially the life-size Christmas scene in the old Evans store window. I understand it is the work of Mrs. N. H. McKinney and lighted by the Kentucky Utilities.

—yap—

Mayor's Picture Worth 10c

When a customer came in for a Mercury last press day she seemed a little hesitant upon learning the price is ten cents. Just then I unconsciously (honestly) turned the paper over and Mayor Bill Power's picture smiled at both of us.

"Ooooh! That's worth a dime," she squealed paid the price, folded the paper neatly and put it in her handbag.

—yap—

To You and Yours.

To all readers of Yappin' the yapper extends most sincere wishes for a blessed Christmas Season.

Yaps—all—

A Spokesman of the State Agriculture Department reports that a boy shared the spotlight with the girls in the dress revue at the Kentucky 23rd annual 4-H Week program. He's Bill Wade Shutter, Bell County, who modelled a matched coat and trousers of his own making.

Television Programs

(All times given are Eastern Standard)

WKRC—TV CHANNEL 12

Monday, December 24

6 45 Sign On & Test Pattern
7:00 Good Morning Show
8:00 Captain Kangaroo
8 55 Jellybean Acres
10:00 Garry Moore Show
10 30 Arthur Godfrey
12:00 Strike It Rich
12:15 Love of Life
12:30 Search for Tomorrow
12 45 The Guiding Light
1:00 My Little Margie
1:30 As The World Turns
2:00 Our Miss Brooks
2:30 Houseparty
3:00 Big Pay Off
3:30 Bob Crosby
4:00 Brighter Day
4:15 Secret Storm
4:30 Edge of Night
5:00 Les Paul & Mary Ford
5:05 Ladies Home Theatre
6:15 Headline News
6:25 Weather Report
6:30 Foreign Legionnaire
7:00 The Millionaire
7:30 Robin Hood
8:00 Burns & Allen
8:30 Talent Scouts
9:00 I Love Lucy
9:30 December Bride
10:00 Studio One
11:00 Front Page News
11:10 Weather Report
11:15 Home Theatre

Since the programs scheduled between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. are the same Monday through Friday, they are listed on our Friday schedule

WCPO—TV CHANNEL 9

Monday, December 24

6:00 Silent Night
6:30 Pantomine Hit Parade
7:30 Man Behind the Badge
8:00 Danny Thomas
8:30 Voice of Firestone
9:00 Bishop Sheen, Life is Worth Living
9:30 Lawrence Welk Show
10:30 N. Y. Feature Fights
11:10 Les Paul and Mary Ford
11:20 Christmas Service
12:00 Midnight Mass

WLW—TV CHANNEL 5

Monday, December 24

6:45 Good Morning
7:00 Today
7:25 News
7:30 Today
7:55 Weather
8:00 Today
8:25 News
8:30 Today
8:55 Weather
9:00 Paul Dixon Show
10:00 Ding Dong School
"Dr. The Price Is Right"
11:00 Home

12:00 50-50 Club
1:30 It Could Be You
2:00 Next Door Neighbor
2:30 Tennessee Ernie Ford
3:00 Matinee
4:00 Queen For A Day
4:45 Modern Romances
5:00 Heading West
6:00 Superman
6:30 Break The $250,000 Bank
7:00 Sohio Reporter
7:10 Weather
7:15 Holiday With Music
7:30 Nat King Cole
7:45 NBC News
8:00 Sgt Lonesiel
8:30 Stanley
9:00 Can Do
9:30 Robert Montgomery Presents
10:30 Sheriff of Cochise
11:00 Three City Final
11:15 Film
11:55 Midnight Mass
1:45 Sign Off

WKRC—TV CHANNEL 12

Tuesday, December 25

6 45 Sign On & Test Pattern
7:00 Good Morning Show
8:00 Captain Kangaroo
8 55 Jellybean Acres
10:00 Garry Moore Show
10 30 Arthur Godfrey
12:00 Strike It Rich
12:00 Valiant Lady
12:15 Love of Life
12:30 Search for Tomorrow
12 45 The Guiding Light
1:00 My Little Margie
1:30 As The World Turns
2:00 Our Miss Brooks
2:30 Houseparty
3:00 Big Pay Off
3:30 Bob Crosby
4:00 Brighter Day
4:15 Secret Storm
4:30 Edge of Night
5:00 Les Paul & Mary Ford
5:05 Ladies Home Theatre
6:15 Headline News
6:25 Weather Report
6:30 Foreign Legionnaire
7:00 The Millionaire
7:30 Robin Hood
8:00 Burns & Allen
8:30 Talent Scouts
9:00 I Love Lucy
9:30 December Bride
10:00 Studio One
11:00 Front Page News
11:10 Weather Report
11:15 Home Theatre

WCPO—TV CHANNEL 9

Tuesday, December 25

6:00 Flash Gordon
6:30 Pantomine Hit Parade
7:30 Warner Bros. Presents
8:30 Wyatt Earp
9:00 Broken Arrow
9:30 Susie
10:00 It's Polka Time
10:30 Crunch and Des
11:00 Hollywood Theatre

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7:00 Today
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4:45 Modern Romances
5:00 Heading West
6:00 Range Rider
6:30 Getz Prize Playhouse
7:00 Sohio Reporter
7:10 Weather
7:15 Holiday With Music
7:30 Eddie Fisher Show
7:45 NBC News
8:00 Life Of Riley
8:30 Walter Winchell Show
9:00 The Chery Show
10:00 Cavalcade Of Sports
10:45 Red Barber's Corner
11:00 Three City Final
11:15 Theater Tonight
11:30 Tonight
12:30 Movietime U. S. A.
1:30 Sign Off

WCPO—TV CHANNEL 9

FRIDAY

7:00 Know Your World
7:20 Prayer
7:25 Farm News
7:30 Cartoon Capers
8:00 Breakfast Show
8:55 Al Lewis Show
10:00 Colin Callin'
10:30 Crusaders
11:00 Al Lewis Show
12:00 Movie Matinee
1:30 Beulah
2:00 Al & Wanda Lewis Show
3:00 Afternoon Film Festival
4:30 Our Gang Comedy
5:00 Mickey Mouse Club
6:00 Capt. Midnight
7:00 Sohio Reporter
7:30 Rin Tin Tin
8:00 Jim Bowie
8:30 Crossroads
9:00 Treasure Hunt
9:30 Frontier Doctor
10:00 Ray Anthony Show
10:30 Live Wrestling
11:15 Hollywood Theatre
12:30 News and Sign Off

WKRC—TV CHANNEL 12

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6 45 Sign On and Test Pattern
7:00 Good Morning
8:00 Captain Kangaroo
8 55 Jelly Bean Acres
10:00 Garry Moore Show
10:30 Cartoons and Cowboys
11:30 Cowboys and Cartoons
11 45 Toy Guidance Council
12:00 Shutshan Revue
12:30 City Manager
1:00 Tales Of The Trails
1 45 National Pro Football Championship
4:30 All About Sports
5:00 Topper
5:30 Captain Gallant
6:00 Meet The Press
6:30 Roy Rogers
7:30 All Star Theatre
8:00 Phil Silvers Show
8:30 The Brothers
9:00 To Tell the Truth
9:30 Red Skelelon
10:00 $64,000 Question
10:30 Dr. Hudson
11:00 Front Page News
11:10 Weather Report
11:15 Home Theatre

WCPO—TV CHANNEL 9

Wednesday, December 26

6:00 Soldiers of Fortune
6:30 Pantomine Hit Parade
7:30 Disneyland
8:30 New Leg
9:00 Ozzie and Harriet
9:30 Ford Theatre
10:00 Wednesday Night Fights
10:30 Les Paul and Mary Ford
11:00 Hollywood Theatre

WLW—TV CHANNEL 5

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7:00 Today
7:25 News
7:30 Today
7:55 Weather
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6:00 Range Rider
6:30 Getz Prize Playhouse
7:00 Sohio Reporter
7:10 Weather
7:15 Holiday With Music
7:30 Jonathan Winters Show
7:45 NBC News
8:00 Big Surprise
8:30 Noah's Ark
9:00 Jane Wyman Show
9:30 Alphonsun Hour
10:30 Science Fiction Theater
11:00 Three City Final
11:15 Theater Tonight
11:30 Tonight
12:30 Sign Off

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6:00 Range Rider
6:30 Getz Prize Playhouse
7:00 Sohio Reporter
7:10 Weather
7:15 Ruby Wright Show
7:30 Dinah Shore Show
7:45 News Caravan
8:00 You Bet Your Life
8:30 Dragnet
9:00 Peoples Choice
9:30 Tenn. Ernie Ford Show
10:00 Lux Video Theatre
11:00 Three City Final
11:15 Theater Tonight
11:30 Tonight
12:30 Sign Off

WCPO—TV CHANNEL 9

THURSDAY

6:00 Sky King
6:30 Pantomine Hit
7:30 Strange Adventure
7:45 Xavier meets Minnesota
10:00 Highway Patrol
10:30 Man Behind the Badge
11:00 Hollywood Theatre
12:30 News and Sign Off

WKRC—TV CHANNEL 12

THURSDAY

12:00 Valiant Lady
12:15 Love Of Life
12:30 Search For Tomorrow
12:45 Guiding Light
1:00 My Little Margie
1:30 As The World Turns
2:00 Our Miss Brooks
2:30 Linkletter's Housepartyy
3:00 Big Pay-Off
3:30 Bob Crosby Show
4:00 Brighter Day
4:15 Secret Storm
4:30 Edge Of Night
5:00 Les Paul & Mary Ford
5:05 Ladies Home Theatre
6:15 News and Weather
6:30 Sgt. Preston of the Yukon
7:00 Jim Thorns, Outdoor Guide
7:30 Rosemary Cloney Show
8:00 Bob Cummings Show
8:30 Climax
9:30 Playhouse 90
11:00 Front Page News
11:10 Weather Reports
11:15 Home Theatre

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10:00 Lux Video Theatre
11:00 Three City Final
11:15 Theater Tonight
11:30 Tonight
12:30 Sign Off

WCPO—TV CHANNEL 9

SATURDAY

7:00 Know Your World
7:15 This Is The Story
7:30 Comedy Theatre
8:30 F.O.P. Quiz
9:00 Willie Wonderful
9:30 Zane Grey Western
10:30 Laurel and Hardy
11:30 Continental Cookery
12:00 TV Dance Party
2:15 Pre-Basketball Program
3:25 Big Ten Basketball Game
4:15 Saturday Matinee
5:30 Texas Style Rasolin
6:30 Waterfront
7:30 Famous Film Festival
9:00 Law Cre Week Show
10:00 Ozark Jubilee
11:00 The Stevens Show

WKRC—TV CHANNEL 12

SATURDAY

9 15 Sign On and Test Pattern
9:30 Captain Kangaroo
10:30 Buffalo Bob Show
11:00 Winky Dink and You
11:30 Tales Of Texas Rangers
12:00 Big Top
1:00 The Lone Ranger
1:30 It's Up To You
2:00 Gater Bowl Game
2:30 Hi Lites
6:30 Death Valley
7:00 Beat The Clock
7:30 The Buccaneers
8:00 Jackie Gleason Show
9:00 Gale Storm Show
9:30 Hey Jeannie
10:00 Gunsmoke
10:30 You're On Your Own
11:00 Front Page News
11:10 Weather Report
11:15 The Sl..w

WLW—TV CHANNEL 5

SUNDAY

8:30 Charlie By The Side Of The Road
9:00 Mission At Mid-Cent
9:30 This Is The Answer
10:00 Science In The News
10:30 Cartoons and Cowboys
11:30 Cowboys and Cartoons
11 45 Toy Guidance Council
12:00 Shutshan Revue
12:30 City Manager
1:00 Tales Of The Trails
1 45 National Pro Football Championship
4:30 All About Sports
5:00 Topper
5:30 Captain Gallant
6:00 Meet The Press
6:30 Roy Rogers
7:00 Tales Of The 77th Bengal Lancers
7:30 Circus Boy
8:00 Steve Allen Show
9:00 Goodyear Playhouse
10:00 Loretta Young
10:30 Cavalcade Of America
11:00 Three City Final
11:15 Meventide U. S. A.
12:30 Sign Off

WCPO—TV CHANNEL 9

SUNDAY

7:00 Rural America
7:30 Know Your World
8:30 Faith For Today
8 15 Dr. Barnhouse
9:00 The Way
9:30 The Big Picture
10:00 Christophers
10:30 Faces of Israel
10 45 Charles Antell (15 min commercial film)

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10 45 Charles Antell (15 min commercial film)
11:00 Hollywood Theatre
12:00 Western Corral
1:00 School For Talent
1:30 1:30 Playhouse
3:00 3:00 O'clock Playhouse
4:30 Medical Horizons
5:00 Christmas Album
5:30 Littlest Angel
6:00 Cisco Kid
6:30 Diamond Horse Revue
7:00 You Asked For It
7:30 Ted Mack Amateur Hr
8:30 Press Conference
9:00 Omnibus
10:30 Million Dollar Movie

WKRC—TV CHANNEL 12

SUNDAY

8 15 Sign On & Test Pattern
8:30 Praise Hour
9:00 Hi Kids
10:00 Lamp Unto My Feet
10:30 Look Up & Live
11:00 Hi Kids
11:30 Wild Bill Hickok
12:00 U. C. In The Home
12:30 Championship Bowling
1:30 Spirit of Xmas
2:00 Washington at Baltimore
4 45 Sunday News
5:00 Mama
5:30 Mr. McBoing Being
6:00 Telephone Time
6:30 Air Power
7:00 Lassie
7:30 Private Secretary
8:00 Ed Sullivan Show
9:00 C. E. Sunday Theatre
9:30 Alfred Hitchcock Presents
10:00 $64,000 Challenge
11:00 Front Page News
11:10 Weather Report
11:15 Best of Hollywood

WLW—TV CHANNEL 5

SUNDAY

6:30 Chandu The Magician
7:00 Rocky Jones, Space Ranger
7:30 Circus Boy
8:00 Ozark Jubilee
9:00 Jackie Gleason Show
10:00 Lawrence Welk Show
11:00 Three City Final
11:15 Theater Tonight
11:30 Tonight
12:30 Sign Off

May the peace and joy of Christmas abide with you

Dampier Motors

"When the fullness of time was come, God sent forth his Son." GALATIANS 4:4

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men. Luke 2:14

Merry Christmas

On this magnificent occasion let us remind ourselves again that we should maintain the true spirit of Christmas throughout the months to come.

Ruth & Paul Guthrie

TODAY'S meditation

The Upper Room

THE WORLD'S MOST WIDELY USED DEVOTIONAL GUIDE

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27

And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them. (Luke 2:20.)

It seemed to the happy shepherds that the very stars were singing, each star an angel of the heavenly host. Mankind could never again doubt the good will of God toward them, for He had sent His own Son into the world for their salvation.

The birth of Christ was accompanied by a marvelous outburst of praise. Luk records five songs—the Beatitude of Elizabeth, the Magnificat of Mary, the Benedictus of Zacharias and later on the Gloria in Excelsis of the angels, and the Nunc Dimittis of Simeon.

Into the daily round, into the common task would angels and men and women came this outburst of praise.

What was this but earth's prelude for the heavenly song, as all nations and people fall down before the Lamb in the midst of the throne and sing, "Salvation unto our God who sitteth on the throne, and unto the Lamb."

PRAYER

Lord, we thank Thee for the wonderful gift of Thy beloved Son, our Thy redeeming love toward us. In the daily round of our lives inspire us with the joy of our salvation in Christ. In our Redeemer's name we pray. Amen.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: The love of Christ is as its ways heavenly joy into our hearts and lives.—**Lydia Mowatt (Ontario)**

Joyous Greetings

"When they saw the star they rejoiced with exceeding great joy." Matthew 2:10

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TID BITS

Use of "rabbit ice" term reawakes many memories for folklorist

On the first cold morning of this winter one of my friends asked me whether I had seen any "rabbit ice" yet. That term at once reawakened many a memory, for that is what we called it more than a half century ago. Rabbit ice, for the benefit of late-comers who have just tuned in, is and was the ice that opens out around certain weeds on very cold nights while there is still some sap in the stalks. It is dainty and flower-like, looking almost too delicate to be true. The water content is very slight, so that it is almost as dainty as it looks, almost as dainty as snow flakes. We children, on our way to school, with our spindle shanks covered with home-knit stockings to keep us warm, used to gather handfuls of this stuff and eat it or whatever you might call transforming a mouthful of icy water to our always-hungry mouths. I am sure that we did not regard it as but as some dainty confection that Jack Frost had made just for us. Whether any of the sap of the weeds might not have tasted bad, I do not know; it would have spoiled our Eden to have found within it some such snake as suspicion of delicate things that cold night provide.

Rabbit ice reminds me of many another name for objects in nature associated with animals. Some of these have lost their family. It, like some of the grasses, liked to grow along the edges of hard trampled ground, like a path. Whether geese ate it in preference to other greenery I cannot remember. We also had "peppergrass" which some people called "bent or chicken pepper." It was also ground-hugging, growing in the yards and barnyards. It is a small plant of the mustard family, known to scientists as 'shepherd's purse." I used to enjoy eating its biting, pepper-like leaves, again I do not know whether chickens liked it or not.

One of the oddities of language is that no one can prophesy which words will remain, which will become standard, which will never rise above jaily usage. Names of plants and animals are among these words that may or may not remain in good usage. And yet nearly all of them are picturesque, whether accepted or not. Snakeroot sounds like some back-country name for a take remedy for snake bite, and it was just that. But it has become the standard name for a whole family of plants and is as valid a name as does fennel. Goat-sucker as a name for a bird sounds ridiculous, for it records a superstition that our ancestors brought from Europe, where herds of that family are accused of milking goats. That name has been accepted, however, and is borne by the family to which our Nighthawk, Whippoor-will, and Chuck-Will's-widow belong. Scientists have even taken the meaning and gained a learned word to mend this: "Caprimulgidae," literally, "goat-milkers." Dogwood, dog fennel, dog bane, catnip, catclaw, cattail, house mint, horse radish, horse chestnut—and so on, and on, of standard words. Why not rabbit ice and bent pepper and the rest of those folk names that we used to know but which failed to get class enough to have their places in a dictionary?

Recipe of the week

For an economical and tasty cut of meat, a pork shoulder roast is one of the best. If a 5 to 6-pound shoulder is more than you care to roast, have the meat dealer slice off several steaks for later use, suggests Mrs. Pearl Stark, Extension specialist in foods at the University of Kentucky. A savory dressing and baked apple slices add the final touch.

Stuffed Pork Shoulder Roast

5 to 6 lb. pork shoulder roast
1 T salt
1/8 t pepper
2 1-c soft bread crumbs
1/2 t sage
Dash of pepper
2 T fat.
1/2 T chopped onion
8 apples

Remove the bones in preparation for the dressing, and rub the cavity and surface with salt and pepper. For the dressing, combine soft bread crumbs, salt, pepper and sage. Melt fat in frying pan, add onions and brown slightly. Add bread crumb mixture. Place some of the dressing inside the pork roast and begin sewing or lacing the edges together, gradually working in the dressing. Do not pack tightly. Place pork, fat side up, on a rack in a shallow pan uncovered. Roast without water at 350 degrees (moderate oven) at 45 minutes per pound. Turn roast occasionally, and be sure it is well done. Remove string before serving.

To serve, place roast on a platter and surround with half-inch thick slices of apples that have cooked gently after coring in a syrup made of 1 cup of water and 1 cup of sugar. A cherry placed in the center of each apple slice adds to the attractiveness.

Menu: Roast pork with apples, mashed potatoes, gravy, buttered turnips, celery and carrot strips, cornbread, butter and blackberry roll.

Kentucky Lake while primarily noted for bass and crappie fishing also produces tremendous catfish which are caught below the dam.

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"Even so let your light shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven." MATTHEW 5:16

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THE CHRISTMAS EVE GUNMAN

BY WILLIAM L. ROPER

DARKNESS had come early. Outside the snow-laden winds of a December blizzard howled menacingly against the glass plate windows of the Millhorn State Bank. The streets were almost deserted, except for a few belated, last-minute Christmas Eve shoppers, struggling home with arms filled with packages.

Joshua Wetherson, the thin, gray-haired bank president, sat hunched over his desk near the entrance in front of a large, old-fashioned wall safe. A desk lamp illuminated the ledger pages which he studied carefully. The bank's doors were closed, but Joshua's task of checking the day's business would keep him busy for another hour.

Suddenly a shadow fell across his page and he looked up.

"Joshua," said the tall, pink-cheeked man standing beside his chair. "We've got to get rid of that Christmas tree setting. This is the third year we've used it and the insulation's getting worn. Today the tree toppled over against the wall safe there and I got a nasty shock."

Old Joshua grinned wryly. "It always said banking was a dangerous business." Suddenly he frowned and his pale, blue eyes became intense. "What were you looking for in my safe, Bob?"

"The Bellstreet mortgages," Bob said. "Old man Bellstreet wanted to pay off his notes while you were out at lunch."

"Oh, yes, I remember now," Joshua nodded and stroked the blue veins in one left temple.

"You ought to remember," the cashier said. "We don't get five thousand in cash every day."

Joshua smiled and returned to his ledger. Bob went back to his job of counting currency. Completing his task, Bob filed out his record reports and placed the money in the vault.

He put into his heavy overcoat quickly and buttoned it. As he was leaving, he paused just inside the door and called back: "Better get started home soon, Joshua. The storm's getting worse."

All in Order

It was almost five-thirty when Joshua completed the work. Carefully placing his ledgers in the wall safe, he set the combination and again checked the vault. Everything was in order.

Leaving the Christmas tree lights on, he sauntered toward a side door, pulling on his overcoat. Then drawing his gray felt hat down over his eyes, he let himself out by the side door.

The fury of the storm seemed to have increased and the pelting snow almost blinded him. As he paused to try the door to see that it was locked securely, a man stepped from the shadows.

"Don't try any tricks, old man," the gunman said. Joshua glanced at the dark, desperate eyes that glared from under the man's snow-covered hat brim, then at the cold steel of the automatic in the man's right hand. The gunman's voice was hoarse, low-pitched. "Just do as I say. Unlock the door. If you touch off a burglar alarm, I'll kill you even if it is Christmas Eve."

"It seems to have stuck," Joshua breathlessly said. "You may have to give me a hand."

Big Surprise

Still keeping Joshua covered with the gun, the man leaned forward, aided the door with his left hand. He was pulling the door open when Joshua stepped forward. In doing so, knocked over the Christmas tree. It toppled against the safe. There was a blessed, crashing sound and electric sparks. The gunman screamed, tried vainly to release his hold on the steel, then as his body twitched convulsively with his current. His automatic clattered to the floor.

Joshua picked it up and quickly disconnected the Christmas tree lighting circuit by jerking the plug loose from the wall socket.

"Just lie there on the floor and take it easy until I can call the police," Joshua said. "You must have got soaking wet out there in the blizzard, or that shock wouldn't have hit you so hard."

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Lest we lose sight of the true meaning of Christmas, wouldn't it be well at this time to rededicate ourselves to the teachings of Christ? May each of us maintain the true spirit of Christmas in the days to come—

With Best Wishes

to all our friends.

Southern States Carlisle Co-operative