Nursing Home News

By Virginia Smith Donovan

About this time of year as the folks hustle about on the streets of the towns little and big, you hear this question asked as they meet, "Are you ready for Christmas?" Today on a Christmas card I received was a poem, "Ready for Christmas". This is just the last part, written by Myrtle Haynes. . . "To be ready means more than a house swept clean, Yes, more than the giving of gifts and a tree. It's hearts swept clean that He wants to see, A heart that is free from bitterness and sin. So be ready for Christmas--and ready for Him".

There is so much Christmas spirit in the home. The kind of things that are being done by the various churches, friends and relatives can't all be written down. There just isn't room.

In Miss Louise Wyatt's room was a pretty white pottedgChrysanthemum from her sister, Mrs. J.W. Soper, and the pretty handmade card container was from her niece, Mrs. Lydia Soper.

As I passed by Mrs. Pearl Craig's room, her son, Guy of Robertson County was gently feeding his mother her supper. Guy said his sister, Mrs. Goldie Craig Kidwell, came to see her mother as often as she could, but was busy up at Eastern trying to work in the library and finish her course in Library Science.

Mr. and Mrs. W.B. Sparks of Mt. Olivet came to see former Judge White. He said that Mr. White was one of the directors of the bank. I just can't forget Mr. Sparks, for my 5 foot size did look small beside his six foot, two.

Wednesday afternoon the Central Council of the Carlisle Christian Church came to the home to give a little skit which had never been rehearsed, but you couldn't tell it. They did a fine job! Mrs. Keller Hughes (Frances) the president, presided. Miss Mary Frances Fisher played the piano and the folks sang Christmas carols. Then Mrs. Bonnie Cummins sang "Come to the Stable with Jesus and Me".

Mrs. James Hardin told the story of Christmas, while the old folks sat spell bound. Then Maude told the story of "Tiny Tim", Can you recall the story of the goose which was eaten by the Cratchett family? Just as she finished the story Virginia Donovan came in, dressed like one of the pictures in the "Night Before Christmas," and recited the poem, The Royal Women's Class brought pretty little hand made corsages which were put on the bed posts of each patient.

The little chapel was filled with patients and visitors. Everyone seemed to enjoy the little skit.

Dan Burden's friends and relatives are very faithful to come to see him. He said his brother from Cincinnati came to see him about every week.

Jesse Lawrence went back to his home on Sycamore Hill to live.

Palmer Sorrell had a pretty little Christmas tree with lights on it. Said his daughter brought it from Paris.

Mrs. John D. White says she just loves to go around and talk to the patients when Mr. White is asleep.

Mrs. William Harper's room looks like she has a room in Small's Greenhouse.

Mrs. Claudia Wells says she hardly ever gets supper herself anymore. Says Mr. Pepper does that; says he's really nice.

Mrs. Essie Dalzalle says if you pray and really mean it, you always get results. She had a Christmas card which contained a tiny book entitled "How Swift the Way! So Short the Day," from Mrs. Mary Lowe.

Pansy Ring quit counting long enough to send Christmas cards to the home.

As I passed by John Ring's room he was "working" a little music box, and said he was looking for Santa. Said he never had failed.

Herman Conyers' geraniums are not even waiting for Santa, they are growing right on!

Sunday, Dec. 12 was a great time for the Methodist Men. Rev. Howard Livingood gave a wonderful talk. Bob Scott was master of ceremonies. Miss Sharon Scott read a beautiful poem. Mrs. Julian McKee was at the piano. Several Christmas carols were sung. Some of the old folks opened the new humnals and sang right on. There must have been about 40 present, counting the ones outside the little chapel. After the service the Methodist Men passed out to each patient a little white token which glowed in the dark.

Mrs. Eva Blount was rather worried about her daughter, Mary Clay. Said she had been right sick for several days.

The early bird may get the worm, but think of what the early worm gets.

Members of the Eastern Star came and brought each patient a little container of fruit.

Anyone who has been graduated from the College of Hard Knocks knows there were never any discipline problems.

At this writing no one is in the hospital. Mrs. Pelfrey is back. Some of her folks from Ohio were out to see her Sunday.

There will be more Christmas news later. Be good and keep looking for the "old man in the red suit, but keep your eyes on the Star of Bethlehem."

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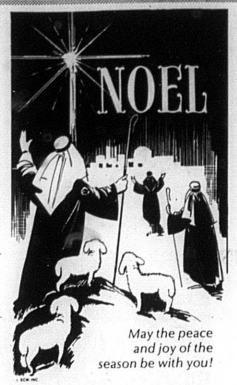

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Santa letters

Dear Santa,
I'm a little girl, five years old. I've been fairly good this year.
I want a little Baby Tender Love doll, a Flip Wilson doll and an Operation Game.
Please remember all the other little children everywhere. I'll leave you a treat under the tree.
Merry Christmas to you and everybody.
Love,
Marsha Hunt

Dear Santa,
My name is Mason Holland Jr. I am 3 years old. I have tried to be good this year, hoping you'll come and see me Christmas. I would like for you to bring me a tractor and a shotgun and anything else you want me to have.
Will you please bless my Daddy who is in Ft. Watnwright, Alaska, and ask him to send me some love on Christmas,
Your Little Boy,
Mason Holland Jr.

Dear Santa,
My name is Phillip Holland and I'm 2 years old. I don't understand Christmas too much because I'm not quite old enough.
Please bring me some trucks and cars to play with and anything else you want to bring me. I have been a very good boy and would like to see you at my house this year.
Your Little Boy,
Phillip Holland

Dear Santa,
I am eleven years old. I would like for Christmas, a B.B. Gun, John Deer tractor, 5 hot wheel cars, a sled, two different kinds of games, and a Magic 8 ball. Also a pool table, lot of fruit, candy and nuts.
P.S. I have been a good boy. I will leave you some cake on the table.
Marion Livingood

Dear Santa,
I have been trying to be good but it is hard for a boy to be good.
For Christmas I would like to have Return-A-Ball, Senior Lab, Spirograph and a red, white and blue basketball, and anything else you want to bring.
We will leave cake and pop under the tree.
Love, Larry Bretz

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be good but its hard for a boy to be good. For Christmas I would like to have a buzz bike II bicycle, a football set, a Western Scout rifle, pistol set, a Coca Cola Dispenser, and a cowboy hat, and anything else you want to bring me.
I will leave you cake and pop under the tree.
Love, Barry Bretz
Myers, Ky.

Dear Santa,
I'm a little girl two years old and I'm really a good girl.
For Christmas I would like for you to bring me a Rocky Horse, Tricycle, rocking chair and anything else you would like to bring.
Please don't forget my Mommy and Daddy, Grandma, my two uncles and my two aunts.
Will leave you something under the tree.
Your Little Girl,
Patricia (Tweetie) Kelly

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a shirt and pants. Also walkie talkies. Have a Merry Christmas.
From Joe, Dallas Watt
Bethel, Ohio

Dear Santa,
Please bring me Some clothes and toys. I have been good, I Hope you have a merry christmas too.
Love Kandice Watt
Bethel, Ohio

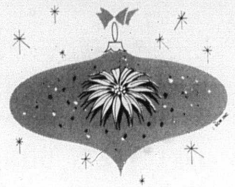
Dear Santa,
I am a little girl three years old. I have tried to be a good girl but sometimes I just couldn't be.
I would like to have a Betsy Bean Doll and a cradle. A telephone, car that I can ride in.
Don't forget my three cousins, Rickey, Greg and Dwayne.
I will leave you a cup of coffee under the tree.
Love,
Sheila Livingood

Dear Santa,
I am 5 years old and this year I want a doll and doll clothes, play iron and ironing board, and some clothes for myself.
Thank you Santa,
Jo Ellen Howard

Dear Santa,
I am 6 years old this year and this Christmas I would like some clothes for myself, doll and doll clothes, dishes, and a puppet.
See you Christmas Eve,
Robin Howard

Dear Santa,
I am 8 years old and this year I would like a gun, and army helmet, basketball and goal and some games and clothes.
Good bye Santa,
Tony Howard

Merry Christmas



Here's hoping your Christmas season blooms with good cheer!

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Christmas Joy!

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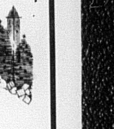
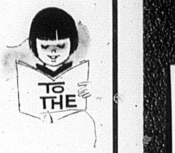
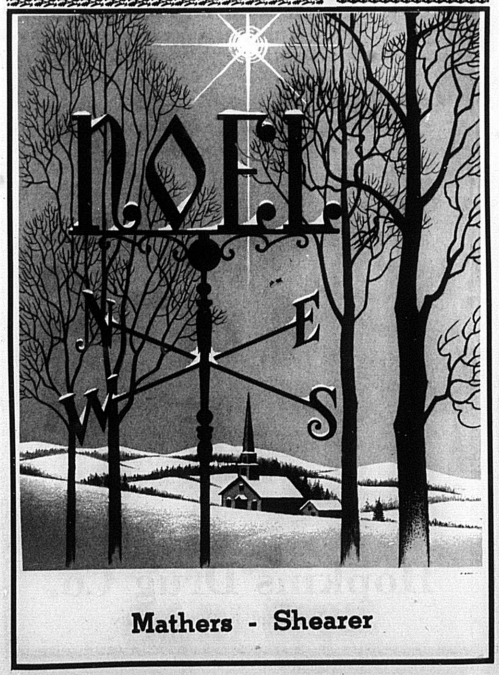
Beulah Hughes
Circuit Clerk





The Yuletide carols convey our sincere greetings!

A.V. (Doc) Allison



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Best wishes for a jolly holiday from our entire staff!

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