

Just Little Hunks Of Real Stuff!!

MISTLETOE SUPERSTITIONS
The mistletoe is said to have been created by the falling tears of Venus when she had received an unintentional wound by one of Cupid's arrows. If mistletoe is cut with a golden hook, it will cure all poisons. Draw a circle in front of the fire, take two leaves of mistletoe, name one yourself and place it in the circle, the other to your sweetheart and place it outside the circle. If he is to marry you, the leaf named after him will drop into the circle beside you.

Americans spend almost twice as much on fishing as any other sport—\$1,200,000,000 a year.

Did you know that in the early days of baseball, players could tag a runner by hitting him with the ball?

How insignificant we really are and how unimportant. Especially when we stop to consider the meaning of eternity. Just suppose that there was a rock one hundred miles high and one hundred miles wide. Once every thousand years a little bird comes to sharpen its beak. When the rock has thus been worn away, a single day of eternity will have passed by!

It is estimated that some 30 billion people have lived on the earth since the beginning of recorded history, 6 or 7 thousand years ago. In 1939, more than half of the some 2 billions inhabitants of the earth live on less than 6 per cent of its land area.

Now Is The Time To:

- Rejoice.
- Let it snow.
- Watch roses.
- Read Psalm 124.
- Keep an open house.
- Renew kitchen.
- Remember.
- Buy and use Christmas Seals.
- Watch your Vitamin D supply.
- Count your blessings — share them.
- Support USO, VFW and American Legion.
- Christmas means more than presents.
- Renew your faith.



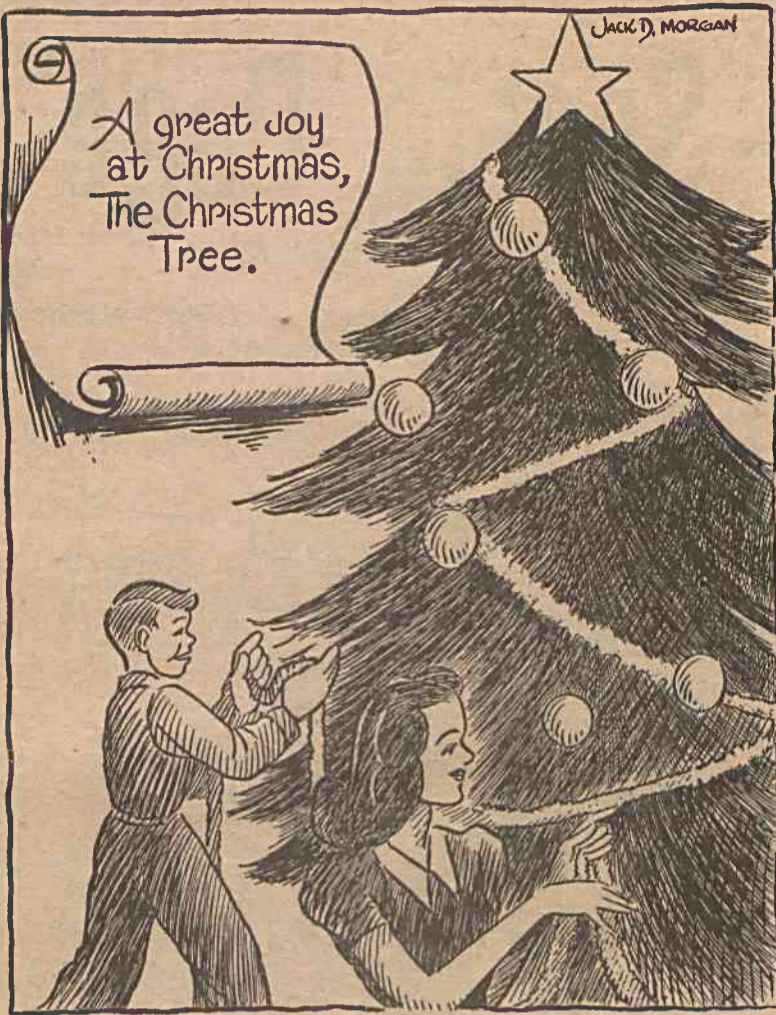
VERACITY

They went to school together
I grew up side by side
I never knew he loved her
Till her rich old uncle died.

Smokey Says:



Thousands of toys, homes, furniture, paper radio cabinets, pianos, numerous other useful and pleasure-giving articles are derived from wood. Forests are the source of our wood. Protect them from fire.



Christmas Trees Are Fire Hazards In The Home, Take Safety Measures

Burch Gives Tips on Playing Safe During The Yuletide Season

Once again the Christmas season is upon us, bringing its message of "Peace on Earth and Good-will to All Mankind." Gay and happy faces will be seen around Christmas trees on Christmas morning, as presents are opened, and greetings are exchanged. Then the expectation of sitting down to that Christmas feast, that mother has been so busy preparing all morning. The happy laughter of children playing with the toys they received, resounds throughout the house. Oh! What a happy day—This will be true in the majority of homes this year, but there will be some homes where the joys of Christmastide will not prevail, due to that terrible devastator FIRE.

This need not be if extreme care is taken. The Christmas tree you bring into your home, and the decorations you place upon it are fire hazards you must watch most carefully. A tree will dry up and become highly inflammable. You may lessen this danger by cutting off the base of the tree at right angles and standing it in a container of water, always keeping the water above the cut. Securely fasten the tree so that it cannot fall on to the stoves, radiators, or other sources of heat. When smoking keep away from the tree.

When using Christmas lights on your tree, make sure that cords are not frayed or broken. A short circuit in frayed wire may start the tree burning. When a fuse is blown, it is a sure indication that you have too many lights on one circuit. Eliminate some lights and play safe. An overloaded circuit may start fire in the walls. Paper decorations are extremely hazardous unless kept away from lights or other sources of heat. The wrappings from your Christmas presents may become dangerous if

left lying around where they may be ignited. Remove them to a safe place after unwrapping your presents. The records show that a thousand Christmas trees burn in as many homes each year. Hundreds of fires start from Christmas lighting. Flammable decorations and discarded wrappings also increase the number of fires. Let us all endeavor to play safe and it will be "A Merry Christmas."
—By Ernest Burch

Month Of December

"I heard the bells on Christmas Day
Their old, familiar carols play,
And wild and sweet
The words repeat
Of peace on earth, good-will to men."

The "decem of December seems out of place, for in Latin it means "ten", but in old Roman days before the calendar was reformed, December was the tenth month. Nobody thought the matter was important enough to require correction, so the name still stands. For centuries December had only 29 days, until Caesar (didn't he do anything but horse around with the calendar?) added two days to the month.

Officially, winter starts on December 22nd., the day on which the sun reaches the solstice and turns back for its northward journey. In the northern hemisphere, the 22nd. is the shortest day of the year; in the southern hemisphere it's the longest. There's absolutely no reason why we should have to tell you that Christmas and New Year's Eve come in December.

Some of the important events which took place in December are: Monroe Doctrine message presented to Congress, 1823; Columbus discovered Haiti, 1492; Americans laid siege to Quebec, 1775; Boston Tea Party, 1773; Washington and

Horoscope

For Those Born November 23 To December 22

The sign under which you were born is Sagittarius, which assures good fortune in your life. If you develop the powers you have, you'll be rewarded with success and happiness. Your outstanding quality is your ability to promote important ideas, and once you become enthusiastic over something you easily persuade others to share your interests. You are quick, earnest, sincere and very idealistic—in fact, if you lose your ideal of a thing or person important in your life, all your interests and ambitions fade.

Because your advancement depends on your ability to seize an opportunity and act upon it, you should play down your tendency towards indecisiveness. Learn to heed the voice of intuition. You sometimes have difficulty in expressing your ideas, because of timidity, and your success will depend on your ability to express what you feel.

Don't let temporary setbacks discourage you, as you are destined for honor and success in life. Learn to do things while your ideas are fired with enthusiasm and inspiration. Don't be afraid to work, even in inferior positions, as eventually your merit will attract the attention of those in high places.

Due to your philosophical nature, ordinary business doesn't appeal to you, therefore you should choose one of the professions as a career. If you do enter a commercial business firm, it would be best for you to be with a large company with international interests. You should also take an active interest in clubs and fraternal societies.

Prominent people born under Sagittarius are. Susanna Foster, King George VI, Jimmy Doolittle, and Deanna Durbin. Favorable days in December are the 4, 5, 12, 13, 16, 17, 18, 26, 27, 28, and 31.

A man from the city in trouble with the local authorities in a small country town asked one of the residents if the town had a criminal lawyer.

"We think we have," was the reply, "but we haven't been able to prove it on him yet."

his men crossed the Delaware, 1776; Illinois, Mississippi, Iowa and Texas admitted to the Union (or was the Union admitted to Texas). December's flower is the Holly, and its gem is the Turquoise.

Smokey Says:



The Christmas Tree—Each year our carelessness with fire causes thousands of fires in homes. Be careful both in the home and in the woods.