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## Fieldcrest Lovelies

Fieldcrest's "Christmas Queen" float attracted favorable attention in the Christmas parade sponsored by the Eden Jaycees November 29. Riding the float, from left, are Mary Jo Springer, Hilda Gilley, Catherine Adams, Marva Bowers and Debra Sowers (background).

## Safety Dept. Suggests How To Keep Holidays Safe

Did you know that there are more accidents in December than in any other month? According to David Pierce, assistant safety director, the holiday season brings more traffic accidents, more home fires, more accidents with toys, more falls and more accidental

poisonings than any other time of the year. Mr. Pierce urges everyone to be aware of the extra hazards of the holiday season and by observing a few safety tips, have a happy, safe holiday. When driving, allow extra time for heavy traffic and

slippery roads, stay alert, use safety belts and, above all, make your car "holiday safe". Have brakes, lights, wipers and defrosters, exhaust system, tires and battery and ignition system checked and in good working order.

For a safe holiday in the home, have furnaces, chimneys, fireplaces and portable heaters checked and in good working order.

Mr. Pierce urges extra caution in using outdoor lights as they can cause fires. Use lights approved for outdoor use, make sure circuits are not overloaded, place cords away from traffic areas and heat sources, never under rugs, and check cords and plugs for wear, frayed insulation, cracks, loose connections.

Did you know that an eight-foot pine tree can burn completely in just 27 seconds?

If you buy your tree early, keep it in a cool place for as long as possible. Cut the base of the tree diagonally before placing it in water-container stand. Always place the tree away from heat sources and open flames and check lights before putting them on the tree. Also, keep water in the base container and check it often and always turn off the lights when you leave home.

Mr. Pierce urges everyone to remember two special safety tips in regard to Christmas trees: never use regular strings of lights on a metal tree as the danger of shock is great. Use a spotlight to illuminate a metal tree. Also, never use glass wool or "angel hair" in combination with spray-on flocking snow as the combination is highly combustible.

Toys can provide another holiday hazard, Mr. Pierce said.

## Credit Union

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least 4 percent per annum. The dividend for the months ending December 31 again be at the rate of 7 percent per annum. The dividend will be figured on the member's average monthly balances credited to their share accounts as of December 31.

Early in 1968, the interest charged on loans was reduced from 1 percent to nine-tenths percent a month on the unrepaid balance. These loans to Credit Union members have helped them in financial emergencies with medical bills, consolidation of debts, taxes and a variety of other ways.

Both savings and loan payments may be handled through payroll deductions.

Credit Union membership now reached 9,200, including members from nearly all company locations and representing 78 percent of all employees eligible to join.

The Credit Union is governed by a board of directors elected by the membership. The current officers are L. E. Chew, president; M. B. Franklin, vice president; and R. L. W. secretary-treasurer.



Tony Wilson, left, is congratulated by W. C. Flake, plant manager of the Laurelcrest Carpet Mill, on winning the safety slogan contest.

## Wilson Is First Winner Of Contest

In the first Laurelcrest Carpet Safety Slogan Contest, the winner was Tony Wilson, Tufting Department.

Mr. Wilson's safety slogan, "He saved time . . . now he's blind," was chosen the winner by the Laurelcrest Carpet Safety Committee. The slogan will be painted on the safety bulletin

board. The safety slogan contest was initiated by the Laurelcrest Carpet Safety Committee, which will choose a winner every six months.

Mr. Wilson was congratulated by W. C. Flake, plant manager of the Carpet Mill, on being the first winner of the contest.



DAVID PIERCE

He urges parents to select toys that suit the age, ability and temperament of the child. Infants and toddlers should not have toys too large to be swallowed and with no sharp edges, pins or wires.

Young children should have toys with no parts that can be pulled off and swallowed. Toys that shoot projectiles or have sharp points should be reserved for older children. Electric toys (those operated by line current) should have the Underwriters' Laboratory label. All toys should be checked to be certain they are non-flammable and have lead-base paint on them.

"Don't let an accident ruin your holiday season. Stay safe all the time and have a safe and merry Christmas. Happy New Year," Mr. Pierce said.

Sign on electric cord on truck: "let us remove shorts."

The pessimist sees difficulty in every opportunity. The optimist sees opportunity in every difficulty.