

its gaiety. But let us never for-, we still have friends. get that the Star still shines in the East, even though its brilli- STREET SCENE-A little girl It wasn't just true of the tool lington Cemetery.

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gathered about our gaily dec- us, but we accept them with a there is hardly any room left of time and file your application. It is possible for both men and any questions you might ring as joyously as in years past. that would horrify us if we were Santa made his usual rounds and aware what was taking place in filled stockings with goodies for our subconscious mind - but I kids, who even in their young believe that deep in our hearts and the hammer wouldn't drive years were more subdued; for we are truly grateful and thank- a thumbtack. But with the chest they, too, sensed that this year ful when we receive a gift. It Christmas was bereft of some of is at least a happy reminder that architect, a great engineer. I

ance and lustre and promise was carrying a doll so big I did a chest, but all the toys I had. somewhat dimmed by a lone double take, the better to see THEY WERE TOYS, intended as eternal flame that burns in Ar- who was toting whom . . . You toys and that was all they were. know, kids' toys get bigger and The final test of any toy, I supbetter all the time; modern toys pose, is, does it make a kid Lying on my desk is a minia- are almost the real thing. In happy, And if it takes realism, ture Japanese Samurai sword, fact, it is difficult to tell the the real thing, to make modern doing duty as a letter opener. toy from the real article in many kids happy—then I'm for realism A gift from a friend who re- instances. But kids grow up and I'm happy, too. cently returned from a trip to fast nowadays and in that re-New York, it is a prized pos-spect they have lost many of session, but above all it was the the joys of childhood. It takes prosperous 1964. act of a thoughtful friend. I be-1a child's imagination to enjoy a

tools that would not function as real tools should. As I remember, the saw wouldn't cut cheese of tools I was a great builder, an built bridges and wonderful houses-all in my imagination.

I wish all of you a happy and

## 4-H CLUB MEETS

Center Hill junior 4-H Club met Monday night, December 16, at the Center Hill Community Building with all members present.

Mrs. Sidney Bulls read the traditional Christmas story to the group and led in prayer.

Mrs. Harry Venters led in several games which all the children enjoyed. Gifts were exchanged and refreshments en-

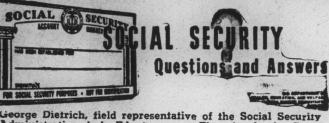
CENTER HILL CLUB MEETS Center Hill Home Demonstration Club members and their husbands met at the Community Building on Tuesday night, De-

cember 17 for the annual Christmas dinner. There was a bountiful supply of food which every one enjoyed. After the table was cleared, Mrs. B. P. Monds, Mrs. J. I. Boyce, Mrs. J. C. Boyce led in

the devotion and singing of Christmas carols. Mrs. E. L. Belch gave the demonstration on the evergreens used at Christmastime and the

After the program, Christmas gifts were exchanged and refreshments of punch cookies and nuts served. Everyone seemed to enjoy the evening of fellowship and fun.

origin of each.



George Dietrich, field representative of the Social Security Administration, is in Edenton every Thursday in the Court Room in the Chowan County Court House,

Are you one of the thousands time, where possible, in order individual case with them. They This Christmas for most of us lieve few of us fully realize the toy, and I believe the kids of of Americans nearing etirement that any unexpected discrepan-will be glad to explain how your was a mixture of Yuletide joy thoughtfulness and unselfish con- today have to a large extent age? If so, Icen E. Wilson, So- cies that might arise can be earnings will affect your check, and sadness. In no small meas- sideration that goes into the giv- lost the faculty of imagination cial Security District Manager in straightened out. This way the the amount of a reduced beneuse we felt a sense of guilt, ing of a gift. Oh, we appreci- in play. The toys they have Greenville, reported today that it first check can be delivered on int, whether starting at age 62 whether deserved or not, as we ate the gifts that are given to are so authentic, so real-life, is a good idea to get in ahead time.

orated trees. We sang the same sort of mental shrug of the for the imagination. I rememfor social security benefits. It is women to retire and start receivhave. By all means, get in carols and gave the same gifts shoulders. There is an unconsci- ber when I was a kid I got a advisable to try and file a claim ing reduced benefits at age 62. ahead of time—don't wait until but the Christmas bells did not ence involuntary indifference tool chest one Christmas that had two or three months ahead of Some will not want to retire the last minute.

completely and will only reduce their activities and this could reason does not understand. mean that they would be entitled to some of their social security benefits. To be sure of how your earnings will affect your social security check, if you plan to continue working, you should contact your nearest social security office or their representative the next time he is in your area, and discuss your

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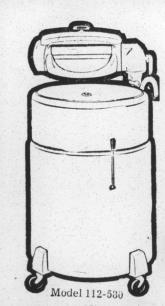
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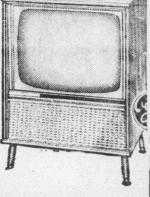
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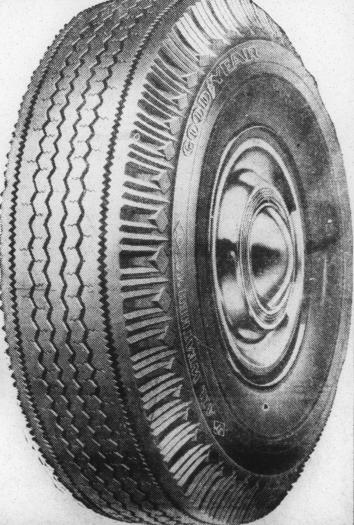
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