**Ise Of Tree Dates Back 4,000 Years** 

The symbolic use of a tree dates back at least 4,000 years, when brated in honor of ir Sun God in the month correto our December. They ved that the sun died every night and was born again in the ing, and that late December and January brought the turning point, when the sun remained with

them a little bit longer each day. the palm trees became their symbol, as it put out a leaf every month and the twelve leaves symbolized the complete year.

A few thousand years later came

From the dim ages of long ago have came many of the festive cites and customs of our Christmas cosson. Alps into Gaul; and about 15 B. C. the tree was used in Yuletide .calebrations of the Germans.

> tree became the symbol of celebrations connected with the patron saint of Russia and of children-Saint Nicholas, who in his lifetime was Bishop of Myra, in Asia Min-OF.

An old legend tells us that the originated the custom of hanging stockings by the fire at Christmas,

THE ORESORES SOUT but he was caught at last with his Insist On Safe Toys sack of gifts on his back. Adults should insist that all toys St. Nicholas knew an old noble- they buy or give to children be man who was very poor and who safe-incepable of causing fire, St. Nicholas knew an old no did not want anyone to know of his poverty. Wishi

ng to give him Your best assurance of getting a gift of money St. Nicholas crept to a window of the house and saw the old gentleman asleep by the Adults should take care also in fire. The good Bishop climbed to

purchasing chemical sets for children. Toys requiring alcohol, kerosene, gasoline or carbide lamps may hands

Parents should supervise any pans. play with electrical toys or toys and the money fell into one of involving fuels and chemicals. them; and from the kindly deed

of the good Bishop has grown the season, with its tree, its decorations, the holly and the mistletoe. These are the joyous symbols of

We can keep Christmas merry, playthings.

Toys Will Suit Age. Interest Of Child a safe electrical toy is to look for Carefully Chosen the UL label or tag on the toy.

Picture the sight of the proud parent who sees to it that Santa brings bundles of expensive and intricate toys and soon after Christbe razardous in juvenile mas finds that little Junior prefers to play with Mother's pots and

> around, including dolls, stuffed ani-It happens, quite often, and poor mals, rubber and plastic automo Dad never realizes that he has biles and vehicles. Toys that can made an unwise selection of toys. be easily swallowed should be Quite often, he is slightly disturbed because his child isn't interested avoided as well as building blocks, which are just something to throw in what he considers excellent and scattered about.

Toymakers are highly conscious of the fact that children at various simple puzzles and toys of this na- gift.

ages have different interests and ture are suited to the in eds to see a distinction betwee dly for boys and toys for gir der age group there are hundre bears, elephants and other animals begin to favor cowboy and In that can be squeezed to make outfits girls choose dolls, frilly noises and sounds. For this age playthings and small replicas of group, too, there are many floating toys, most of which are made of sponge, celluoids or plastic.

Toys to Please

The child who has just learned

to walk ,or is less than two years.

likes toys that he can pull or push

things and small replicas of ehold equipment such as ooms, toy furnit Boys in the four-year age grou particularly if father is a "do-ityourself" enthusiast, will like

small tool chests and workshop equipment that will enable them to imitate their fathers.

## Creative Toys

Pre-school children are usually interested in creative thingspaints, crayons and modeling clay. A small, simply operated record Blocks, trucks, airplanes, boats, player also makes an excellent

widespread custom of hanging This was a season of rejoicing and Kindly St. Nicholas unintentionally stockings at Christmas time. St. Nicholas was rich, and loved to the Russian church, and in time





the roof and droped his gift down the chimney, thinking it would fall Hundreds of years passed, and a on the hearth at the nobleman's feet. However, it so happened that the gentleman's daughter had hung some stockings to dry by the fire

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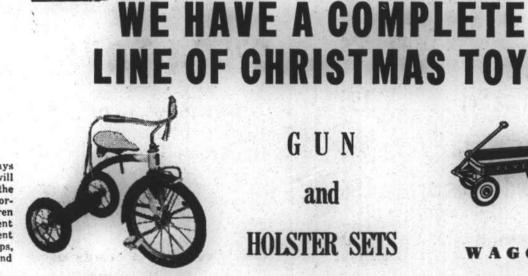
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- ENTIRE DOLL MADE OF SOFT MIRACLE VINYL

## WASHABLE SARAN ROOTED HAIR

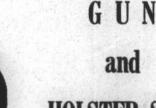
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