

# Merry Christmas

## WEATHER

North Carolina — Generally fair and colder today and tonight; low tonight around 15 in mountains, 19-22 general, 20-30 east. Friday some cloudiness and continued cold.

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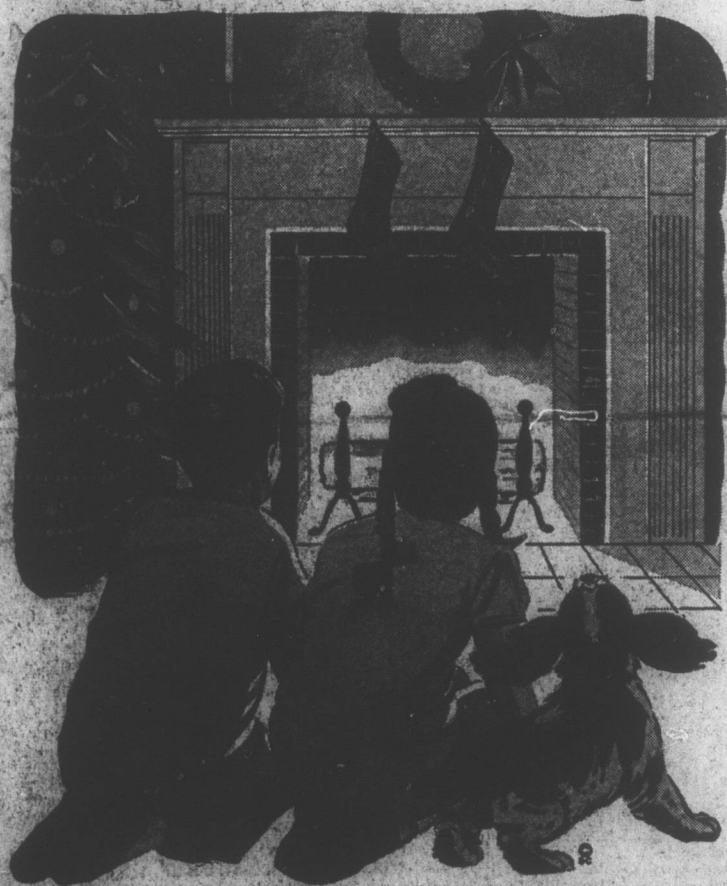
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# Nixon Says U. S. Must Promote Understanding

## Tonight's The Night



## Nixon Says Ike Has Put Reds On Defensive

WASHINGTON (AP) — Vice President Richard M. Nixon warned Wednesday that Americans must wipe out racial discrimination and make their democratic message clearer to win free Asia's support in the fight against Communism.

He declared that President Eisenhower has put the Communists "on the defensive all over the world" for the first time. But he said millions of Asians still are threatened by Red "aggression."

Nixon made these observations in a radio-television report to the nation on his recent 45,000-mile tour of the Far East—a trip he took as the personal goodwill ambassador of the President.

**INFORMATION BIG JOB**  
In dealing with the Red threat to Asia, the youthful vice president said the "problem is in getting our message and the message of the 'free nations across.' So far, he reported, this has not been done too successfully.

"We must recognize that there are millions of people in this area of the world who honestly believe that the United States is just as great a threat to the peace of the world as is the Soviet Union and Communist China," he declared.

"They believe that we may use our military power aggressively just as quickly as will the Communists," Americans, he said, must create "a better understanding of American ideals abroad by practicing and thinking tolerance and respect for human rights every day of the year."

"Every act of racial discrimination or prejudice in the United States hurts America as much as an espionage agent who turns over a weapon to a foreign enemy," he said.



**WORKING SANTA OVERTIME** — Nine stockings will hang in a row on Christmas morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Collins on Lillington, Route 3. Mr. Collins, 42, and Mrs. Collins, 36, are the parents of nine children ranging from 22 days to 18 years of age. This live greeting includes: front, Shirley, 12, Marie, 8, Jerry, 6, Frances, 10, and back row, Joseph, 17, Kenneth, 18, Mr. Collins with Ray, 17 months on his lap, and Mrs. Collins, with Sharon, the new baby, and Worth, 14.  
Mr. Collins was graduated from Boone Trail High School in 1930 and was married to the former Alida Byrd on Feb. 27, 1934. He's a past master of the Lillington Masonic Lodge and is an active member of the Antioch Baptist Church and the Boone Trail Rural Club. Mr. Collins has served as a local committeeman for the PMA for around ten years, and now works part time as a Soil Conservation Aid for the U. S. Department of Agriculture and owns half interest in 250 acres of land. Mr. Collins is a member of Antioch Baptist Church and the Lillington Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star. (Photo by T. M. Stewart)

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## Christians Around World Begin Holiday Observance

By UNITED PRESS

Christians the world over will observe Christmas in many different ways this year but everywhere prayers, spoken and silent, will appeal for an end to wars and threat of wars that hang over the earth.

The world is occupied with three wars—the bitter fight still going on in Indochina, the war in Korea which has been halted by a shaky truce and the uneasy armistice in the Holy Land. There, violence again erupted only this week near Bethlehem.

Millions of men and women were away from home this Christmas because of service in Armed Forces, standing guard to prevent an outbreak of war.

## Dear Santa;

DEAR SANTA,  
I am five years old. I will be Christmas day. I will always try to be good. You will have to ask my mama if I've been good because I'm not sure. I will be glad when I start to school so I can write my letters to you by myself. My sisters decorated our Christmas tree. I want you to take a long look at it. I think it is very pretty. My whole name is Frances Jeanette Williams. Everybody calls me Frances. I jump on the high dive at the swimming pool every day.  
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## Dunn Stores Close Friday, Saturday

Dunn stores will end the Christmas season tonight at 8 o'clock and remain closed in observance of the holiday until Monday, December 28. Although the season began with a bang following the Christmas season, the season has been a slow one. More shoppers were coming late than early, and tonight large crowds are expected.

Last minute shoppers were doing the usual hurrying around finding a gift for a friend almost forgotten, and buying Christmas cards to send to the person that wasn't expected to send one.  
Most stores in Dunn will not be closed January 1. However, the  
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## Thomas Aman Held In Wreck

Thomas P. Aman, Dunn, Route 1, Dunn was arrested yesterday and charged with failure to yield the right of way following an accident at the corner of Ellis and Edgerton.

According to Policeman E. J. Whaley, Aman pulled out and made a left turn in the way of an oncoming motorcycle driven by Robert Vernon Gray, Negro, of Fort Bragg.

Aman was driving a 1949 Ford and Gray was driving a 1952 Tramp Motorcycle. Damage to the Aman car was estimated at \$175 and damage to the motorcycle at \$300.

**SUFFERS BROKEN ARM**  
Gray suffered a broken left arm and severe lacerations of the face. He was taken to Dunn Hospital, treated, and held to be transferred to the Ft. Bragg Hospital.

Aman has figured in the news recently as the only witness to the alleged drowning of H. Houston Jernigan on August 15 of this year. His case became one of major interest after it was discovered that Jernigan carried around \$200,000 in insurance.

Aman will face trial in the Dunn Records Court after Christmas. Whaley, with investigation of the accident was C. E. Pope.

## Three Hurt In Wreck At Benson

Three persons were injured, none critically in a two-car-truck collision at the corner of Church Street and Highway 301 in Benson late yesterday afternoon.

The accident occurred when Ralph Killough, a State College student, failed to halt at a stop light and collided with a 1939 Chevrolet pickup, throwing both vehicles into a 1953 Pontiac.

**CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE**  
Considerable damage was done to all vehicles, but estimates had not been made, according to Benson police, this morning. The pickup was driven by Stanley Weaver, Route 2, Benson and was headed  
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**HOLIDAY ATMOSPHERE** — The country court house closed Wednesday at 5 p. m. and will remain closed through Monday, Dec. 23. Sacks of oranges, boxes of candy, and gaily wrapped presents were in evidence on most desks. Rural policemen reported they too, have a few presents, also a big batch of papers to serve.

**FIRE ALARM** — Lillington firemen answered a call Wednesday morning at the Benton Motor Company where a motor being cleaned caught fire and ignited oil

## Commie - Loving POWs Turn Down Last Chance

## Porter Sued For Robbery

RALEIGH (AP) — A convicted bank robber today faced a suit for \$12,398.40—the amount he and two pals got last August in the robbery of a Garner bank.

The United States Fidelity and Guaranty Co. brought the action yesterday in Wake Superior Court against Cyrus E. Porter Jr., formerly of Erwin. Porter was one of three men who robbed the Garner branch of the First Citizens Bank and Trust Co.

Porter, Woodrow Stroud of Winston and Raleigh and William Haseell Davis of Winston drew long prison terms at their trial in Wilmington earlier this month.

The bonding company said that it had insured all branches of the bank against theft or robbery and  
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## PANMUNJOM, Korea (AP)

— One by one, the 22 unre-patriated American war prisoners today turned down their final "safe" chance to return to freedom as they walked single file past Indian guards to a new stockade.

The Americans ignored the armed Indians, who would have escorted them back to the Allied camp just for the asking, as they moved to a compound now housing 203 South Koreans who previously had rejected repatriation.

An Indian command spokesman said the transfer of the Americans, one Briton and 103 South Koreans took place without incident.  
By walking a political "last mile" into Communism, the prisoners dashed the last hopes of their families that they would shake off their Marxist obsessions and return to their sorrowing loved ones.

It was the second time in two days that the Americans missed an opportunity to walk to freedom with the Indians guaranteeing them protection along the way.

The United Nations Command, using a tape-recorded message made by Major Edward Moore of Tacoma, Wash., broadcast a final "come home" plea to the Americans Wednesday before calling off the explanations program.

Instead of listening to the calmly-spoken appeal to reason, the Americans sang such Communist songs as the "Internationale" and danced with South Koreans in women's clothing to eerie music from wooden drums.

## 1953 Big Year For Building

John E. Norris, building inspector of Dunn, said today that 1953 has been one of the largest building years in the history of the town.

Although officials figures have not been compiled, Norris said he expects building to break all previous records. A partial check a few months ago showed \$545,000 worth of building had been done, Norris said.

Included in the list of business constructions this year are West-  
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## TV Plans Big Christmas Show

NEW YORK (AP) — Joe Santley has found out how Santa Claus must feel. He's been getting around the country at a pace that St. Nick might envy.

"My office has practically been in the clouds for several days now," said the television producer in a brief visit to earth to tie up another detail for the gigantic Christmas show Friday, from 10 to 11 p.m. EST, which will be aired simultaneously by the NBC television and the ABC radio networks.

"Hollywood, New York and Boston are the points of origin for various parts of the program, and I've been doing nothing but flying from one to the other and back again."

**HOLLYWOOD STARS**  
Out of Hollywood, Santley has set up Bob Hope, Tyrone Power, Tony Martin, Rochester, and the  
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## Harnett Teacher Sworn Into Office

Miss Cornelia McLaughlin of Lillington, who was sworn in Monday in ceremonies at the Governor's Office in Raleigh as a member of the State Textbook Commission, is the first person from Harnett county ever to be named to this position.

As a member of this commission Miss McLaughlin will help select all of the basal and supplementary books used in the public schools throughout North Carolina. Assistant County Superintendent Beaman Kelley, notifying county teachers of the appointment, in his monthly news sheet said, "The school people are glad to have

this recognition come to one so well deserving and to Harnett County. This is a place of honor, as well as one of great responsibility. We know Miss McLaughlin will render the same faithful service in this capacity that she has given to her fourth and fifth grade pupils in many places of service in the past."

**TEACHER HONORS**  
The Harnett teacher, who is now teaching a combination fourth and fifth grade in the Lillington school, is at present president of the Harnett County Unit of the National Teachers and members of school people are glad to have  
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