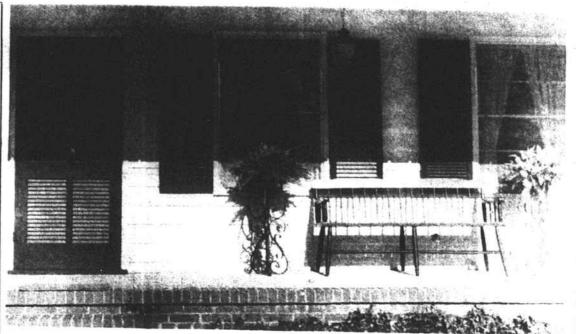
RAEFORD, NORTH CAROLINA
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1970

Wishing you peace at Christmas.

Niven's Service Station



Mr. and Mrs. Ed Murray 320 W. Central Avenue

SANTA RIDES A WHITE MARE OVER ROOF TOPS.. OTHER DUTCH XMAS-LORE

Donner, Blitzen and all the rest of that squad of flying reindeer which Dr. Clement Moore immortalized in his famous poem might get "in Dutch" with the children of the Netherlands who traditionally get a different image at Christmas. And the timing is different. Christmas comes twice a year for the children of Holland. They get their presents on the evening of Dec. 5 or the following morning. Three weeks later, with the rest of the world, they celebrate the festival, in a religious way.



St. Nicholas (the originator of all the Santa and Snowmen figures all over the world) arrives in Holland from Spain in the middle of November. From then until Dec. 6, the Saint's birthday, Dutch children may put their shoes by the fireside every evening, together with a carrot or a slice of bread for the white mare which the saint traditionally rides over the roof-tops in Holland.

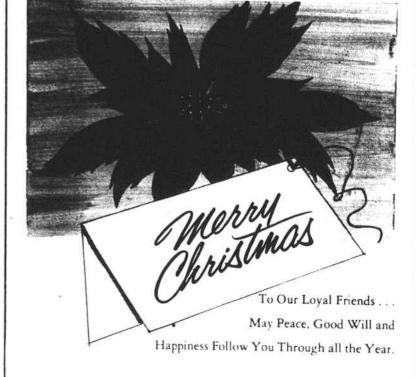


In the morning, if the children have behaved themselves, they may find a little toy or some goodies in their shoes.

From the middle of November the misty Dutch air is filled with the sound of children's voices singing the traditional St. Nicholas song, completely secular. After Dec. 6 there is a switchover to Christmas carols.



Dutch mothers and fathers shop, especially until late in the evening for two weeks before Dec. 6.



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May the sounds of the season be joyous for you!

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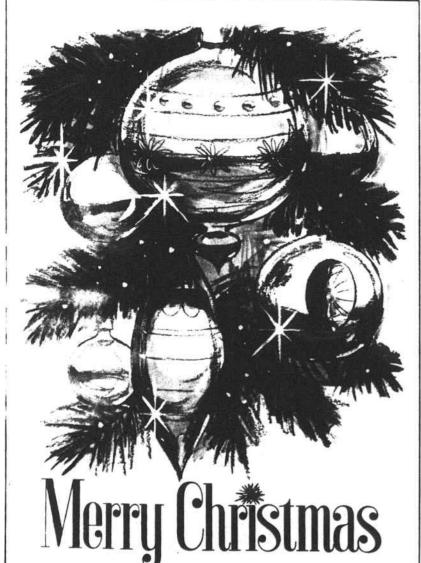
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Midnight - 6:30 A. M. - John Jay 6:30 A.M. - 9 A.M. - Ted Ours 9 A.M. - 1 P.M. - Ron Phelps



1 P.M. - 6 P.M. - Jerry England 6 P.M. - Midnight - Marty Webb





It's always a pleasure to take time during the holiday season to wish our friends well!

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