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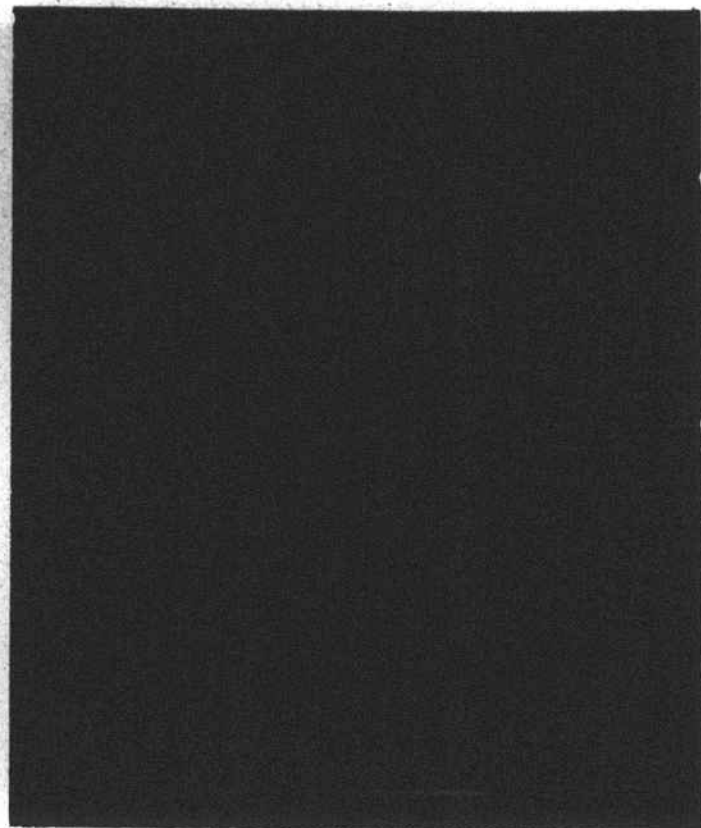
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A Child's Christmas

Making A "Cookie House" Can Be Fun for Family

Christmas is the ideal time for family projects like baking a cookie house but if you don't have either the time or inclination to bake, you can still make a charming cookie house by simply using graham crackers and cake decorations.

To make this cookie house, you'll need around 17 graham cracker units (each made up of 2

squares) a small tube of decorating gel, a small bottle of cinnamon hots, about 1/2 box of powdered sugar, a can of coconut flakes and a small box of caramel popcorn.

Have the youngsters decorate the crackers to be used for the sides and front and back of the house with doors and windows, using the gel and cinnamon hots. (You'll need two units for the front and back, three for the sides.)

Make a paste of the powdered sugar by adding water and then carefully join the squares together to create a standing structure of front, back, and sides. Join three undecorated units together to form each side of what will eventually be the roof. Next, join the the two roofing sides together at right angles before setting them on top of the standing structure. Make sure "roofing" is secure before setting it in place.

To fill the space left between the roof and front of the house, cut a small rectangular piece of cracker and join it to the roof and front with your paste, fill in the rest of the space with caramel popcorn, again using the paste as a mortar. Repeat procedure for back of the house.

Dribble paste generously over the roof, then sprinkle coconut flakes for

a snow-topped effect.

The youngsters will enjoy having this "instant" cookie house to admire,—especially if they've helped to make it — and they'll enjoy eating it later on!



The Star of Bethlehem

In some countries, at one time, Christmas Eve celebrations did not begin until the first star had appeared in the heavens, in memory of the Star of Bethlehem.

There are many customs associated with the star: Tyrolean "star-singers" follow a star-shaped lantern as they go about caroling, and Swedish boys and girls follow a child carrying a large star.

Christmas Cheer



Friendly Holiday Greetings!

May this Christmas gladden the hearts of all with the true meaning of the season.

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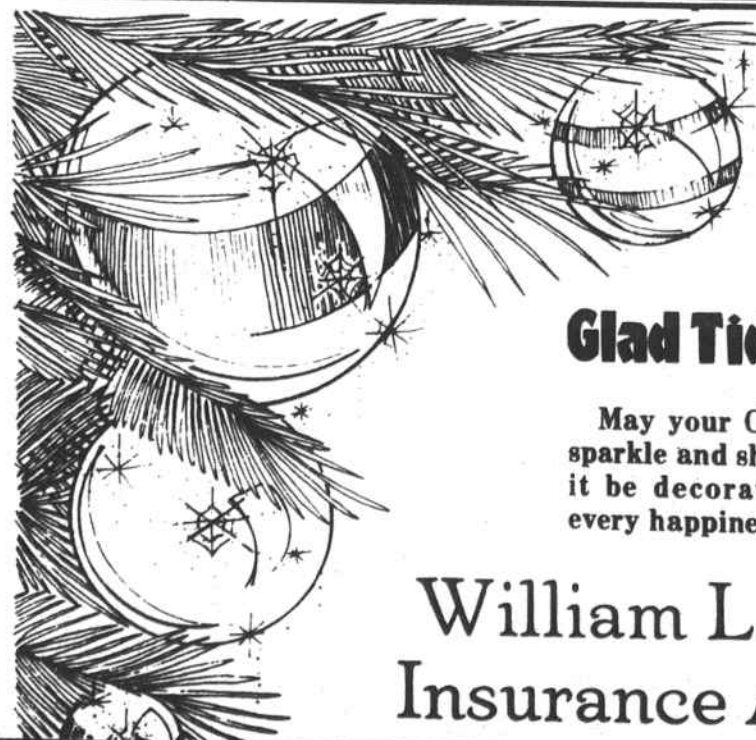
Happy Holidays



The peace of Christmas touches even the most humble of His creatures.

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May your Christmas sparkle and shine, may it be decorated with every happiness!

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