

# The Yule Log



Cotton is the principal crop in Louisiana and the state has a large agricultural and fruit production, including strawberries, citrus fruits, sweet potatoes, sugar cane and other products. It is also the third largest petroleum producing state of the Union.

Along with its large production of fruits, vegetables and agriculture products, including bananas, sugar, cane, tobacco and pecans Florida has large fishing interests, phosphate deposits, and is rated as the second largest cattle producing state in the U. S.

By October 1, compensation and pensions were being paid to 809 veterans of the Indian Wars, 84 Civil War veterans, 437,768 World War I veterans, 42,854 former members of the regular establishment, and 1,715,946 veterans of World War II, Veterans Administration said.

The state of Colorado boasts about 6 million acres of rangelands. It boasts of 35 minerals, of which gold and silver lead; it is the chief beet sugar producing state and has over sixteen beet sugar refineries; on account of its fine summer climate its tourist trade is very large; its largest city, Denver, is the trade center for the Rocky Mountain states.

The bringing in of the yule log originated in England during medieval times. The log was dragged into the great hall at the beginning of the Christmas feast and was the occasion of the rendering of the Christmas toast, which is, in part: "This yule log burns. It destroys old hatreds and misunderstandings. Let your envies vanish, and let the spirit of good fellowship reign supreme for this season and through all the year." The yule log represents "Peace on earth, good will toward men."

## A Christmas Prayer This Day of Joy

*As with gladness men of old  
Did the guiding star behold;  
As with joy they hailed the light,  
Leading onward, beaming bright;  
So, most gracious Lord, may we  
Evermore be led to Thee*



*As with joyous steps they sped  
To that lowly manger bed,  
There to bend the knee before  
Him whom heaven and earth adore,  
So may we with willing feet  
Ever seek thy mercy seat.*

*As they offered gifts most rare,  
At that manger side and bare,  
So may we with holy joy,  
Pure, and free from sin's alloy,  
All our costliest treasures bring,  
Christ, to Thee, our heavenly King  
Amen*



The state of Washington is a fast-growing state; it attracts population because of its natural resources, its climate; its timber production is outstanding; its production of apples and wheat especially large. In it the cities of Seattle and Tacoma are important Pacific trading ports.

The industries and interests in the state of Michigan are diversified and important. It leads in auto building; other manufacturing interests are numerous. The state ranks high in agriculture, and its commerce includes a large lake traffic.

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The man was Charles Dickens; his character was Tiny Tim. And in the words of Tiny Tim, oft-repeated, we'd like to say:

**"A MERRY CHRISTMAS,  
GOD BLESS US EVERY ONE"**

**A. L. WARE PLUMBING SHOP**



### Time To Be Happy!

Christmastide is the one time in the year when we should all be as happy as a boy with a bright new sled. So let's light up our faces and our hearts when we light up our trees, and here's wishing for you and your family the happiest Christmas you've ever had.

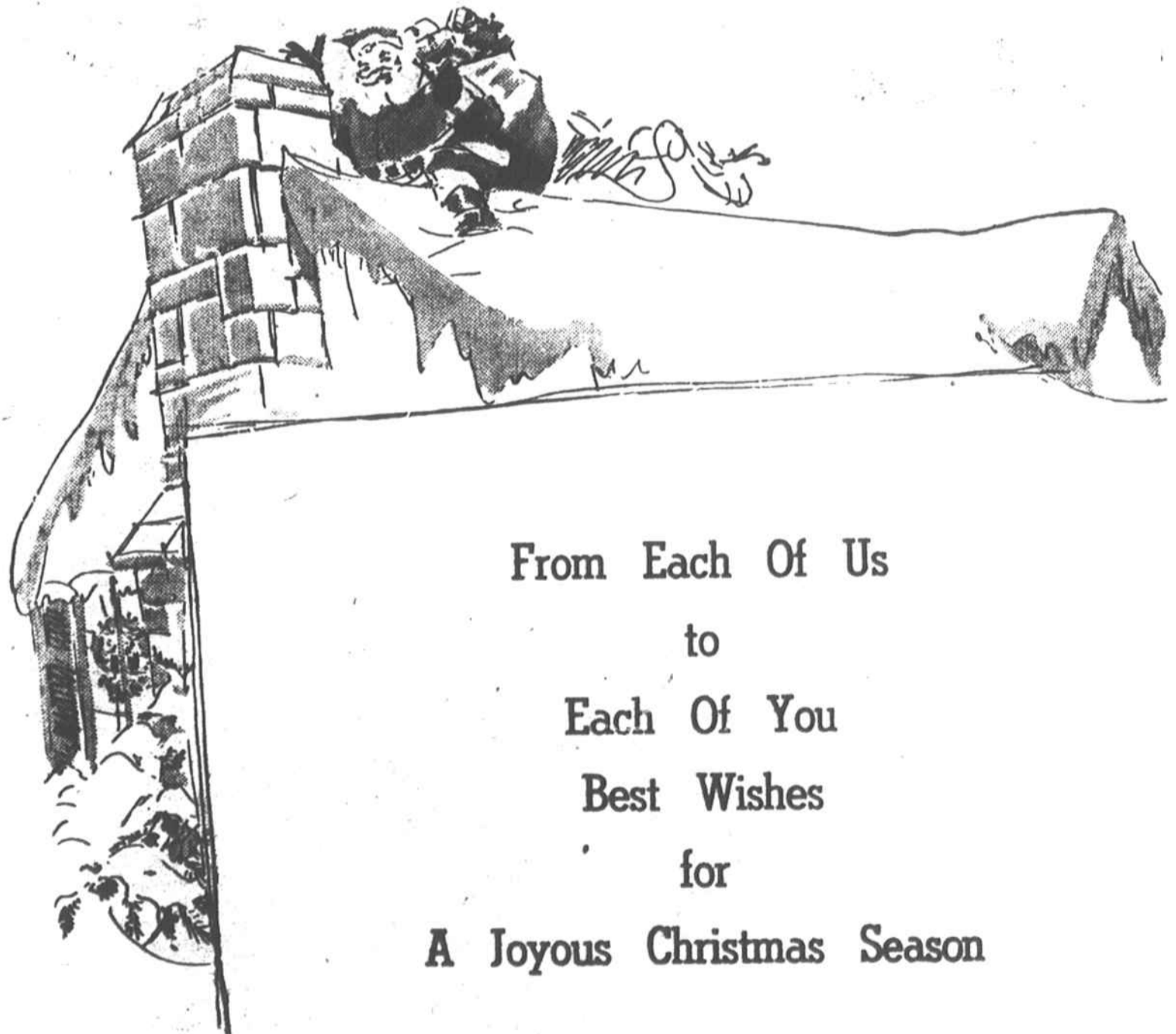


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