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YOU can have fun figuring out your message from the Orient by use of this pleasant little letter puzzle...

Grid of letters for the fortune teller puzzle.

Rites Conducted For Mrs. Terry

Funeral services for Mrs. Isabel Goforth Terry, 58, resident of Limestone Courts and former Kings Mountain resident, were conducted Sunday, December 13, at 3:30 from Gordon - Millwood chapel with interment following in Mountain Rest cemetery here.

Mrs. Terry, wife of Joe Terry of San Bernardino, Calif., succumbed Friday at 5:30 p. m. in a

NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of First National Bank will be held in the lobby of the First National Bank, Kings Mountain, North Carolina, on Tuesday, January 12, 1954, at 4 p. m.

This the seventh day of December 1953.

L. E. ABBOTT, Cashier

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Cherokee County, S. C., hospital. She was a member of Boyce Memorial ARP church of Kings Mountain.

In addition to her husband, Mrs. Terry is survived by six daughters, Mrs. Allene Ramsey, Gaffney, S. C., Mrs. Lloyd Wood, Lincoln, Mrs. Ivey Bowman, Morganton, Mrs. H. G. Collett, Renfro, Texas, and Mrs. Larry Albright of Baltimore, Md.

A sister, Mrs. Otis Scruggs of Gaffney, S. C., two half-sisters, Mrs. Oveta Greene and Mrs. Wash Layton, both of Kings Mountain, and 18 grandchildren also survive.

NOTICE OF EXECUTOR Having qualified as executor for the Last Will and Testament of the late L. C. Hord, deceased, before the Clerk of Superior Court for Cleveland County, all persons having claims against said estate will please file same with the undersigned on or before the 16th day of December, 1954, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

This the 16th day of December, 1953. Mrs. Charlotte Hord, Executrix for Last Will and Testament of L. C. Hord, deceased. Davis and White, Attorneys.

Dr. Clement Moore Was Ashamed of His Famous Poem

Dr. Clement Moore was ashamed of his famous poem, "Night Before Christmas" and would not acknowledge that he wrote it for more than 20 years.

Today, the poem which begins— 'Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house— Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse—

is one of the most beloved of all Christmas writings.

Dr. Moore was an aloof professor of Greek and Oriental literature in the Episcopal Seminary in New York. He wrote the poem on Christmas Eve 1822 and read it to his seven children.

He had not planned for the poem to go further than his own family, but a relative who was visiting the Moores put a copy in her diary. The next year the relative's father sent it to a newspaper.

Other newspapers printed the jingles and they quickly became known all over the country. The dignified Dr. Moore was embarrassed and considered it beneath a man of his scholastic standing to be the author of children's jingles.

Twenty-two years later, however, he finally publicly admitted authorship of the jingles and it was published in book form under his name for the first time.

WEAVER ON SUBMARINE FAR EAST (PHINC) — Authorized to wear the coveted "Silver Dolphins" of the qualified submariner aboard the submarine USS Ronquil is J. B. Weaver, commissaryman second class, USN, son of Mrs. Corrie H. Weaver of 219 Lackey st., Kings Mountain, N. C.

The insignia, which derives its name from the dolphins and surfaced submarine which compose it, is awarded upon the completion of a course which includes the mechanical and electrical operation of the modern submarine. A qualified submariner is capable of performing the duties of any shipmate whether the job for firing torpedoes, running the engine or converting salt water to fresh water.

In addition they are required to know all of the safety precautions and equipment in the ten watertight compartments and to be able to find quickly any switch, valve or lever required by the use of touch alone.

Biltmore House Reveals Secret Of "Quality" Life

ASHEVILLE — How the quality folks of grandpa's day lived is becoming an increasingly remote curiosity, but last year 45,000 people bought tickets to go through the fabulous Biltmore House and Gardens here to find out.

The baronial mansion, with its 200 rooms, priceless objects of art and antiques and surrounded by a carefully landscaped estate, probably will never again be matched in America. Streamlined living, the servant problem and taxes have seen to that.

Popularity of the place as a travel goal has increased as it grew in antiquity. First open in 1930, it attracted 28,000 visitors that year. The season of 1952 broke all records until 1953 topped that.

The Biltmore House required five years to build, and employed the talents of artists and artisans from Europe and America. From a frontage of some 750 feet, the French Renaissance Chateau rises in three levels to the typically French peaked roof with its dormer windows and lofty chimneys.

Every room that the visitor tours is filled with priceless antiques, tapestries, paintings and prints. The Court of Palms, just inside the main entrance, is the first "eye opener." This large sunken area is finished in marble and decorated with masses of flowers from the estate's gardens.

The Great Banquet Hall, another example of the enormity of the building, is of Norman design and 72 feet long. A triple fireplace, carved by Karl Bltner, extends almost the full width of the room.

In the Print Room and Tapestry Gallery, Renaissance art from Europe share in interest with the chess set of Napoleon Bonaparte, used by him in his six years of exile on St. Helena.

Some 20,000 volumes are contained in the library, paneled in Circassian walnut. Furnished throughout with French, Italian and Finnish tapestries and rare Chinese porcelain, Biltmore House is rated as one of the great show places of America.

Puritans Outlawed Yule as Frivolous

The Puritan government of England outlawed Christmas in 1643. With the restoration of the Stuarts Christmas customs and traditions were revived, but Christmas never regained its former prestige in England.

It is observed religiously in the churches and as a day for family reunions and social gatherings, in contrast to the lavish feasting and boisterous merry-making of olden time.

Merry-making and gift-giving come in for their share, however, on December 26 which is Boxing Day. The origin of Boxing Day antedates Christmas and can be traced to the custom of gift-giving during the Roman festival of Saturnalia.

In Christian liturgy December 26 is observed as the feast of St. Stephen, the first Christian martyr, and during the centuries when journeymen and apprentices were in the habit of levying upon their masters' customers, "Christmas Boxes" were collected on St. Stephen's day.

That Reindeer Is Becoming a Tradition

That reindeer is becoming an American tradition.

Once upon a time there was a reindeer with a built-in flashlight bulb for a nose. You know, Rudolph, the red-nosed reindeer. From a small beginning in 1938, the little animal has become as familiar as Humpty-Dumpty and Cinderella to youngsters everywhere.

First invented as a sales giveaway promotion for Montgomery Ward by Robert L. May, Rudolph was featured in many free booklets before he became associated with Christmas. Songwriter Johnny Marks liked the title "Rudolph, the Red Nosed Reindeer," so he wrote a song about it. He was so sure he had a success that he started his own Publishing company, using "Rudolph" as his first release. Gene Autry made the initial recording, and that one record sold 2,000,000 copies.

Last year, there were 15 different recordings of the song for sale, ranging from boogie-woogie by Sugar Chile Robinson to Bing Crosby, and cowboy singers.



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Dixon PYF Comedy Set For Wednesday

"Aunt Carrie's Christmas Carol", a comedy in one-act, will be presented by members of the Dixon Presbyterian Church Youth Fellowship on Wednesday evening at 7:15.

The annual Christmas program is directed by Mrs. Wayne Wells, Mrs. P. D. Patrick, and J. G. Darroccott.

Plot of the play centers around a woman who hates Christmas because some twenty years she was seemingly jilted.

Cast of characters include: "Aunt Carrie Patterson" played by Mrs. Erwin Hughes; her niece, Josephine and Elizabeth Stewart; "Ezra Carroll", Carveth Wells; and "Myra Underwood", Aunt Carrie's next-door neighbor, Armitie Farris.

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Season's Greetings

TINKLING BELLS, holly wreaths, winter scenes with evergreens; logs on hearth, candles bright, little faces beam delight... these, to us, are all warm reminders that a very special time is here... so a very special wish is due... May this Holiday Season bring you abounding stores of good cheer, peace and happiness.

The loyalty of our many friends gives us added confidence and much promise for the future. We wish a Joyful Christmas and Prosperous New Year to one and all.

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JOYFUL Holiday Greetings

In the warm and cheerful atmosphere of this wonderful Christmas season when families are gathered together — when spirits are refreshed, hearts uplifted and all the world is suddenly full of smiling people — we want to offer to one and all our very best wishes for the happiest holiday you've ever enjoyed.



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