Thursday, December 21, 1961 REGISTER FOR F-S GOLD STAMP MILLION STAMP SWEEPSTAKES_OCT. 9_DEC. 23 Christmas Food These Prices QUANTITY RIGHTS Guaranteed Thru RESERVED Saturday, Dec. 23 **CHRISTMAS** DAY The Friendliest Stores In Town! VERNEDALE ASSORTED FLAVORS Ice Cream 2 1/2 Gal. 99c Monoco 16 to 22 Lbs. TOM lb. 29cl urkeys N TURKEYS Canned Hams \$\frac{1}{2} \\$2.29 \frac{1}{2} \\$3.98 OCEAN SPRAY Ground Beet HAWAHAN Pineapple ded. Large Washed POLISHED BRAZIL LADY TABOR Sweet Potatoes Nuts Fancy Mixed 1 lb. Tray Marshmallows Nuts 1 lb. Tray SOUTH SHORE Stuffed Olives Walnuts Stuart Papershell HELEN HARRIS FRESH PIES Pumpkin or Mince Meat 39C Pecans BRACK'S Chocolate Creme Drops 2LB. BAG Gloria Mix 11 1-2 OZ. PKG. BRACK'S CHOCOLATE FILLED **Burgundy Mix** Chocolate Filled Straw PKG. 8 3-4 OZ. 29c 3 1-2 OZ. PKG. M & T Dainty Mix 29c **Mellow Creme Toys** ORANGEBURG Cris Cringle Canes **Shelled Pecans** 99c TREE RIPENED JUICY FLORIDA VALUABLE COUPON FREE! 100 EXTRA S. GOLD STAMPS it One Per Customer

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Sat., Dec. 23rd.

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It's Merry Christmas Everywhere



is the same — "Merry Christmas." Traditional greeting appears in placement of feasting and parties, the According to legend, one bag THERE'S A DIFFERENCE between the languages, but the meaning Swedish, Czechoslovakian, Chinese, Italian, Greek, Polish, Dutch, German, English, Rumanian, Norwegian, French, and Spanish.

Soviets Retreat, **And Santa Wins**

tional observances. Father Christ- buting gifts to children.

mas, the Russian Santa, is back Father Winter, the name Communists tried to give him.

Another gifts bringer in Rus- Share in Tradition After unsuccessful efforts to sia is a legendary old woman

From Tokyo to West Berlin, from Buenos Aires to Copenhagen — and even in cities of Russen — Santa, Pawnshops

The legends and traditions ga. three gold-colored balls? made their special contributions filling all the stockings to the traditional ways of celebra. Scrooge would be wrong. ting the birthday of Christ.

it's sometimes hard to believe the first "Santa Claus" that the same holiday is being Nicholas, bishop of Myra, commemorated!

How to Say It

Whatever the language, the words mean, "Merry Christmas" he went at night to the merof Christmas - a spirit that is able to marry.

family and friends, the merri- generosity. pleasures of giving and receiving of gold fell into a stocking hung gifts, the satisfactions of helping up by the chimney to dry, and others. The affirmation of faith, the renewed promise of life teering up stockings to be filled with again, having refused to become earth, good will toward all men" Pic bring spiritual rewards in a sea- with the three bags of gold. son of worship and prayer.

After unsuccessful efforts to keep Christmas from being celebrated as a Christian holiday, the Communist regimes of Russia and the countries of Eastern Europe have recently shown a more tolerant attitude toward attitude to tolerant attitude toward tradi- for the Christ Child and distri- the memories and traditions of its summertime "down under"

the glow of the Christmas spirit What is the connection be-spreads around the world, for tween Santa Claus, the custom Christmas is truly a universal of hanging up Christmas stockings, and a pawnbroker's sign of

thered about it are many, and A Scrooge might say that the customs can, and do, vary from answer to the Yuletide riddle is country to country. All nations, that Santa Claus would need help through their folk-lore, have from a pawnbroker, to pay to

Both Christmas stockings and When the customs of one coun- pawnbrokers' signs are traditions try are compared with another, that come from legends about Asia Minor - according to the Encyclopedia Americana.

Along with the different ways of observing Christmas, there far and wide for his generosity. are, of course, different ways of And, so the story goes, he wantextending greetings, according to ed to help a merchant who had the language of the country. To lost all his money and had no give just a few examples, in way to provide dowries for the Sweden it's "God Jul," in French marriages of his three daughters. "Joyeux Noel," and in German, Like Santa today, St. Nicholas "Froliche Weihnachten." In Rus- wanted to be a generous but sesian, it's "S Rozndestvon Khris- cret giver. When the oldest daughter was old enough to marry, he went at night to the mer-

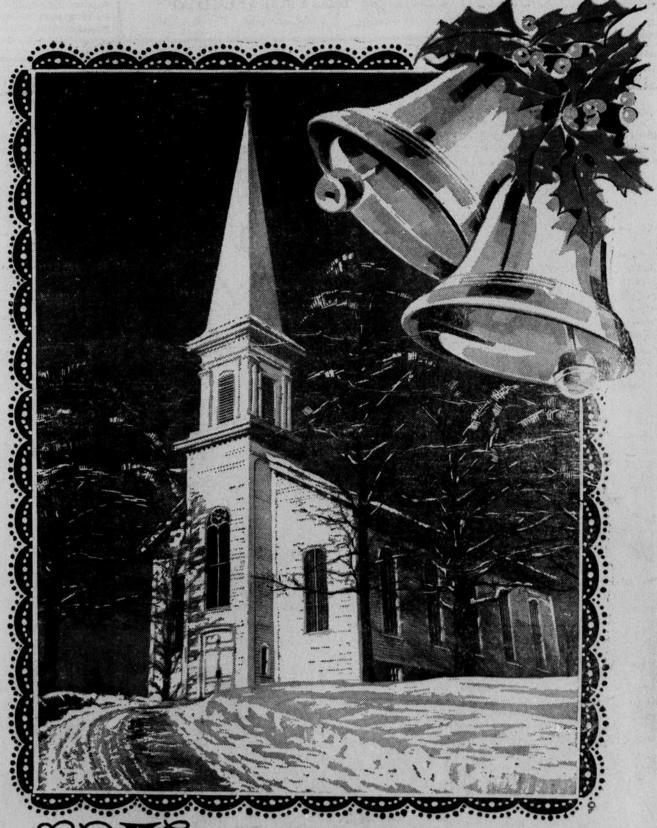
and that's the key to the varie- Some legends say he threw ty of Christmas customs. Though the window, and oth-gh the peoples of many lands ers that he threw it down the have unique Yule traditions, each chimney. At any rate, the oldest is a way of expressing the spirit daughter had her dowry and was

the same everywhere, in eveery place and time.

St. Nicholas repeated the process for the second and then the At Christmas, the thoughts of third time, the merchant watched people around the world turn to to see who brought the gold and the joys of home, of being with told the story of the good saint's

Pictures of the saint show him

Bankers in Northern Italy took him as their patron and used the sign of three gold balls. Because



n the happy spirit of the Christmas season, we send sincerest greetings to our loyal friends

and customers, with hearty thanks for their patronage.

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