

Wide Range of Organizations Listed for Christmas Giving

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 Washington—U.P.—Church and charity organizations are offering a wide range of opportunities this year for Americans to express the Christmas spirit with gifts to the world's poor, hungry and homeless.

From now until Dec. 25, Protestant and Catholic Christians will be frequently reminded from pulpits that there is no more fitting way to celebrate Jesus' birthday than to remember the less fortunate.

Other country where many children are homeless. The orphan's name, picture and life story will be sent to you, and you can thereafter correspond with him or her if you wish, and send personal gifts.

A check of leading religious and welfare organizations showed that many of them are hopelessly expecting an outpouring of Christmas season generosity to swell their never-adequate funds for works of mercy both at home and in far corners of the earth.

Local opportunities for Christmas generosity are even more numerous than national appeals. The Salvation Army, whose sidewalk collection stands are a traditional part of the Christmas scene, also operates family service bureaus in most cities through which more substantial contributions of cash, food, clothing, toys or even furniture may be channeled to very poor families.

Those who prefer to express their Christmas spirit more directly may telephone the administrative offices of local orphanages, old folks' homes, or hospitals. Officials of such agencies usually urge that individual or organization make arrangements well in advance of Christmas to give parties, invite Christmas dinner guests or distribute presents. Last-minute impulses are difficult to accommodate to institutional situations.

For example, money donated to Church World Service, Catholic Relief Service or CARE might go to distribute food to chronically hungry families in 80 countries.

Newspapers in many cities sponsor collections for families in need.

The highland country of New York and Vermont produces about two-thirds of the nation's supply of maple syrup and other maple products.

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Free food is provided free by the U.S. government from its big stockpile of farm surpluses, with private agencies paying only the distribution costs, so a charity dollar goes a long way here.

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ASSISTANT MANAGER—Shirley R. Doty, 46 South Keene Way drive, Medford, has been appointed assistant manager of the Medford branch, United States National Bank of Portland. The appointment became effective Dec. 1. Doty has been associated with the bank since 1945, serving in several departments of the bank.

Contest Scheduled Between Service Clubs
 Members of the Crater and Medford Lions clubs will man Salvation Army kettles in downtown Medford tomorrow in the first phase of the Army's contest, the "Battle of Kettles."

Geese Present Problem For Butcher in Germany
 Nuernberg, Germany—U.P.—Geese purchased by a butcher for the Christmas trade present a rather weighty problem today.

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Special Train Set For Sacramento Trip

Southern Pacific will provide a streamlined passenger train of 15 cars for a Hillah Shrine temple pilgrimage to Ben Ali ceremonial at Sacramento Dec. 8.

Approximately 400 Shriners will make the trip. The train will originate at Grants Pass but delegations from Eugene, Roseburg and other intermediate points will join it there and a group from Klamath Falls will enter at Dunsuir.

The train will consist of 10 chair cars, tavern and lounge cars and three baggage cars. It will depart from Grants Pass Dec. 7 at 8 p.m. Medford 9 p.m. Ashland 10 p.m., and arrive at Dunsuir at 2:35 a.m. where a car will be added to accommodate the Klamath Falls delegation. The train will arrive at Sacramento at 8:30 a.m. Dec. 8.

On the return trip the special will leave Sacramento at 10 a.m., Dec. 9, and arrive at Dunsuir 3:30 p.m., Ashland 8:25 p.m., Medford 9:25 p.m., and Grants Pass 10:15 p.m.

Dr. George F. Guldager, Eugene, potestate, is in charge of the party, assisted by F. H. Barnhouse, Ashland, recorder, and Raymond Reter, Medford, general chairman and transportation director.

Geese Present Problem For Butcher in Germany
 Nuernberg, Germany—U.P.—Geese purchased by a butcher for the Christmas trade present a rather weighty problem today.

When the butcher started to dress the birds, he found several stuffed with chunks of scrap iron and others filled with potatoes. Fat, used by German housewives to make a tasty Christmas soup had been removed from the geese to make room for the unsavory "stuffing."

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Missile Presumably Crashes Following Escape From Control

Washington—U.P.—A guided intercontinental missile that escaped control after being fired from Florida was reported missing today, possibly in the Brazilian jungles.

Air Force officials said the 600-mile an hour missile—named the Snark and designed as a nuclear weapon—presumably did not carry a warhead of any kind.

The Defense Department issued a brief statement shortly before midnight Thursday announcing that the missile escaped from control at its "scheduled turn-around point and proceeded to a destination yet unknown."

"We don't know where it is," a Pentagon spokesman said. He said he could not confirm or deny published reports that the Snark was seen flashing over the Brazilian jungles 2,000 miles from its base.

However, he said the missile presumably has crashed either in the ocean or some remote land area and Brazil was a good possibility.

Brazilian diplomats here said they had heard nothing about the missing Snark.

The Pentagon spokesman said he had no information regarding plans to search for the missile except to say "We always try to get them back."

Not the First Lost
 He said the Air Force has lost a number of Snarks in tests from Florida.

The 72-foot long Snark—a sleek, red pilotless bomber designed to carry an atomic warhead over intercontinental distances—has been flown over distances of 2,000 miles.

It is guided by automatic celestial navigation devices so it can take bearings on the stars and travel to its target unassisted by man.

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4-H Club News

Butte Falls Sewing
 The organization meeting of the Butte Falls sewing club was held recently at the home of Mrs. William Edmondson. Officers elected were Carolyn Fuiten, president; Dorothy Fuiten, vice president; Martha Dalton, garter committee; Kathy Olson, news reporter; Virginia McAlister, secretary; Darlene Edmondson, refreshments; June Buttram, sergeant-at-arms. The name "Busy Bees" was selected for the club.

Two new members were welcomed recently. The meeting was followed by games conducted by Martha Dalton and refreshments served by Darlene Edmondson and Carolyn Fuiten. Kathy Olson Reporter

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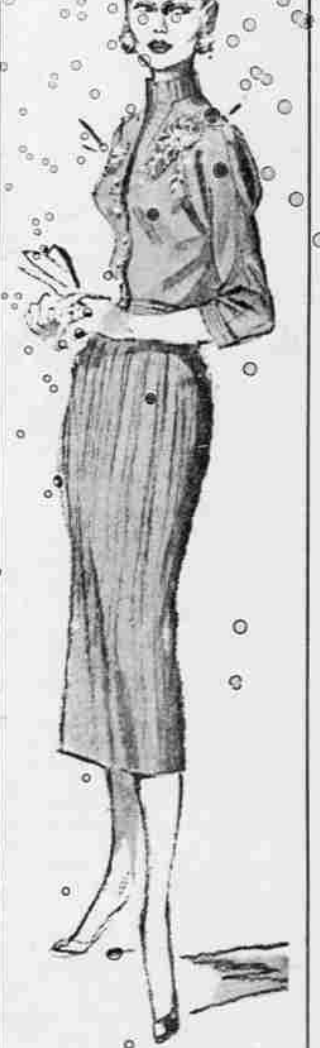
from Leon's...
 What could be appreciated and more useful than one of these beautiful Holiday

Lofties
 by LAWRENCE



All aglow for the holidays—Golden Spray, Lofties ribbed wool chenille two-piece knitted dress. The dajmon sleeve, ribbed yoke, cardigan gleams with hand embroidered sprays and beading—the skirt is slim and ribbed. White, powder blue, blush pink or black. Sizes 10 to 18.

39.95
 Others at 29.95
 As advertised in Vogue



Holiday highlight—Lofties ribbed wool chenille two-piece knitted dress... Pearly Carriage, its pearl-buttoned cardigan beaded with glittering floral sprays and edged with bulky knit ribbing—the skirt, slim and ribbed. Black, blush pink, or white. Sizes 10 to 18.

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