

Comment On This and That

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Washington—(U.P.)—A tiny tot called Timmy wrote to Santa and said all he wanted for Christmas was some check whisks and a "gettar" so he could look like Elvis Presley.

The lad added a postscript: "My mommy told me I ought to know better."

That letter would up like a great many others in the dead letter office. No discredit to Timmy. It happens all the time.

Most of the memos addressed to the man with the white underchin stubble and the fat round belly get the same treatment.

The dead letter office gets letters to Mr. S. C. in large bundles every day, most of them addressed to the North Pole, where we have hardly any post offices.

Some Anti-Elvis

Incidentally, the wiggle of the Presley isn't packing the wallop you'd expect among the very young.

One youngster named Tony told Santa that a string on his Presley guitar had run aground. "Can't I," he asked, "trade her in for a mouth harp, or a frog, or something?"

Many of the letters, some in

childish hand lettering and others dictated by their elders, are pathetic. Others are on the humorous side.

A little girl named Diana wrote: "Will you please bring mama a bathrobe and some slippers and if you have time you could add me a pair of riding boots."

A girl named Pearl wants some "soup and some dishes to cook 'em in. And mommy said I need underwear cause all my pantsies have holes."

Santa Gets Gifts

Santa gets his loot, too. A lot of letters contain cookies, some even money.

One child enclosed a dime for the relief of the refugees from Hungary, "which I have been saving up for." Another put in a dollar for "Santa's helpers, who deserve it." Neither of these two fine kids asked for anything for themselves.

Boy named Mike wrote four letters. All in one envelope. He saved postage, too. He didn't even put a stamp on it.

Mike's letters, in order, ordered Mr. Claus to deliver a cow, a tractor, a big car and a "great big hatch—ett."

Little Patty perhaps was full of the milk of human kindness when she asked:

"Santa, please leave me be. But my mommy wants a big, big, kookoo clock."

I've been looking over Mr.

Court Records

DISTRICT COURT
Clara Clark, no PUC permit \$15, bail forfeited.
Raymond Marion Stout, violation basic rule \$25, bail forfeited.
Inez Williams Close, drunk in a public place, \$15.

CIRCUIT COURT
Wilburn E. Gillespie vs. Alice B. Gillespie, divorce complaint.
Yoko Maseno Doland vs. Floyd Doland, divorce complaint.
Della Marie Randleman Hughes vs. Bert Roy Hughes, annulment complaint.
Eleanor Beattie vs. George F. Beattie, divorce complaint.

MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATION
Earl Dean Rutherford, Trail, and Phyllis Ann Ward, Eagle Point.
Michael Larry, Athanas, Ashland, and Edith Faye Monroe, Ashland.

Filled Dragon Shown At Zoo in San Diego

San Diego, Calif. (U.P.)—One of the few frilled dragons to enter the United States now is on exhibition at the San Diego Zoo.

This bizarre reptile was brought here from Australia. It received its name from its extensible frill or cape which normally lies along its shoulders and sides, attached to the sides of its head by elongated bones.

When angered the dragon raises its scaly frill fanwise about its head at the same time opening its mouth and hissing.

Claus' shoulder for a long time, a couple of decades but there is a clinker among the uncooked coal. This same young man keeps asking for some bullets and a good sharp knife.

That guy must be pushing 30 at least, by now.



ASSISTING THE SLAYER of infant Peter Weinberger from a Mineola, N. Y., courtroom are two officers. The slayer, Angelo John LaMarca, was condemned to death by an all-male jury. (International Soundphoto)

Judge's Judicial Patience Tried

Cleveland, O. (U.P.)—When newly appointed Federal Judge Paul Weick heard his first criminal case here, he ran into a test of his judicial patience and prudence.

Robert Geiger, 32, could not enter a plea because he had lost his voice. His attorney explained that the accused forger was a victim of "anxiety neurosis."

Weick took a fatherly attitude toward the defendant and counseled him not to be frightened. With the judge's reassurance, Geiger managed to utter a barely audible "guilty" for cashing his divorced wife's tax refund check.

WHO?

Detroit—(U.P.)—Police are trying to trace the donor of a sub-machine gun among found articles collected by a charity group, the Volunteers of America.

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