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Give to Christmas Seals

**"YOUR LAND AND MY LAND"**



by Hazel Hayes  
**Silent Night, Holy Night**  
Perhaps there is no more beautiful song than this.

Up in the mountains from Salzburg, Austria lies the little village of Hallein. The little steeped church is nestled among the red-roofed cottages.

It was Christmas eve and Joseph Mohr was busy preparing his Christmas sermon, when he heard a gentle tap on his study door. A peasant woman stood there, saying "Could you please come up on the mountain side to bless a new baby who came this morning?"

Father Mohr needed to work on his sermon. But, yes, he would come. He trudged along through the fresh snow behind

**School Lunch Menu**

**Monday, December 10**

- Spaghetti
- Spinach
- Garlic French Bread
- Applesauce
- Coconut Cookie
- Milk

**Tuesday, December 11**

- Weiner and Bun
- Buttered Corn
- Mixed Fruit
- Ice Cream
- Milk

**Wednesday, December 12**

- Vegetable Soup
- Peanut Butter Sandwich
- Vegetable Lemon Jello
- Salad
- Chocolate Pudding Cake
- Milk

**Thursday, December 13**

- Tuna Over Rice
- Peas
- All Bran Muffins
- Fruited Jello
- Ice Cream
- Milk

**Friday, December 14**

- Barbecue Hamburgers
- Potato Chips
- Green Beans
- Cubed Jello Salad
- Regular Milk or
- Chocolate Milk

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the woman. In the charcoal-makers simple hut he found the young mother and babe asleep. He blessed them and went into the starry night. The valley below was calm and bright.

That night he couldn't sleep—the young mother—the babe. He got up and found his desk, thinking—silent night, holy night, all is calm, all is bright. Early Christmas morning he took his poem to Franz Gruber the school master who played the church organ.

"Do you think you could write some music to this?" and he gave him the verses. Franz read them carefully and said "Yes, I think I could" and sat down immediately to set the words to music.

"I would like to use it in the service today."

"But the organ needs repair. Sometimes it doesn't play."

"Then we'll use the guitar."

When the old man who repaired organs came up into the mountains from Salzburg Father Mohr showed him the new song. He liked it. He liked it very much and asked them to play and sing it several times.

"Would you like us to copy it for you?"

"Ach, nein," said the old gentleman. "I can remember it."

While he went back down the mountain, he sang the beautiful song over and over to himself. The neighborhood children came out to meet him as he sang it to them.

A family of glove makers had four children who were very musical. During the winter they all worked making gloves. And in the summer the family hiked over Austria and up into Germany singing songs and selling gloves.

This new Christmas song they liked especially and they sang it often in the villages. Others learned it and it finally reached Berlin.

Some years later the Kaiser wanted a new hymn book compiled and asked his concertmaster to do it. The concertmaster had heard some children sing the new song and wanted to use it in the hymn book. When the Kaiser looked it over he said, "Gut," but here is a song without the composer's name.

"I do not know who wrote it."

"Then find out. Do not come back until you have it."

(Next week the concertmaster finds it with the help of a bird.)

**THE FAMILY LAWYER**

**About Your Collision Insurance**

Gordon parked his car next to an apartment house, unaware that a burglary was taking place inside the building. The burglar leaped from a second-story window, landed on top of Gordon's car, and made good his escape.

Gordon, however, wasn't so lucky. His jumped-on car needed \$180 worth of repairs. Was he entitled to collect insurance for the loss?

"Sorry," said the insurance company, "but you are not covered." You do have collision insurance, but this was not a collision.

However, when Gordon took the matter to court, the judge ruled in his favor.



"Collision," said the judge, "means the impact of objects through one of such objects moving against the other" and this incident fitted that description.

Most motorists carry at least some collision insurance. Typically, this covers the damage done when one car bumps another. However, it has often been held to extend to more unusual situations.

One motorist collected collision insurance when his car hit a mailbox by the side of the road; another, when his car rolled into an open elevator shaft and fell to the bottom; another, when his car rammed into the curb.

Nevertheless, there are limits. In one case, the paint on a man's car was damaged when he ran into a hailstorm. He insisted that this was covered by his collision insurance, because his car had "collided" with the pellets of ice.

But the court decided this was stretching language too far. Tossing out his claim, the court said:

"We do not speak of falling bodies, such as sleet or hail, as 'colliding' with the earth. In common parlance, the apple falls to the ground; it does not collide with the earth."

**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

DEAR EDITOR:

Would you please, tell the public about some of the problems in maintaining the Fairview Cemetery. Mr. Kaplinger took care of it for many years without complaining, but I feel the public would like to help if they understood some of the problems.

The worst problem is plastic flowers. One nice wreath or arrangement at the head of the grave is alright. I can remove it, lay on headstone and replace after mowing. They should be fastened down with twine or coat hanger. Yesterday, I found many flowers blown all over the cemetery. As most were faded or muddy and I didn't know where they belonged, I threw them away. Loose flowers stuck into the ground are soon hidden by high grass. Last Memorial Day many were hidden in the grass before weather permitted mowing and the wire stems became entangled in the mower.

Nothing is supposed to be planted and no holes dug for cans. The mower drops into the holes and is continually in

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need of repair.

Some people prefer to take the grass off the graves. Personally, I like the grass as the fresh dirt looks too much like a freshly dug grave. However, if they do remove the sod, they must haul it away. Last year, some people threw rocks and sod into the long grass and I had to pick them out by hand before my husband could mow.

In the summer when dirt is dry, the dust flies clear over his head as he tries to mow around the fresh dirt. Grass planted on the graves looks so much better and the loose dirt attracts many weed and blackberry seeds.

We hope to have it all mowed before the Christmas wreaths are put on the graves but the weather certainly is not cooperating.

If anyone has any questions, they may call me at 897-2682.

Sincerely,  
EVELYN HARLAN

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