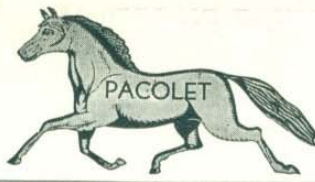


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The American Christmas

Where do we find the real American Christmas? Is it in the cold and snow of the north or in the sunshine of the south and west? Is it in the soft light of a little church, or in the bright lights of a big store? Is it in the warm generosity of the grownup, or in the eager hopes of the small child? The real American Christmas is not in any one place, or in any one thing. It is everywhere and in all things.

The real American Christmas is a composite of all that is American. It is religious, commercial, charitable, friendly, affectionate, and festive.

The American Christmas is religious, for millions make religious services honoring the birth of Christ an essential part of their Christmas.

The American Christmas is commercial, for it is only through commerce that the goods and gifts which mean so much to so many can be made available in every community.

The American Christmas is charitable, for it is the one time of the year when kindly deeds are done with warm and cheerful enthusiasm.

The American Christmas is friendly, for it is the one occasion when most Americans exchange expressions of good will and best wishes.

The American Christmas is affectionate, for families are together, making this one day when everyone tries to be at home.

The American Christmas is festive, for it is the common thought that all are entitled to a good dinner and a share in the happiness of the day.

The real American Christmas is your Christmas.

—Printopics

Christmas Greetings . . .



This tree is placed in front of the office annually — in the hope that it will help us all to better enjoy the spirit of the Yuletide Season.

A Merry Christmas for Two of Our Families

Our town knows that Christmas will be a happy time in two of our homes. Mr. Leroy Motes has returned to work after a long illness with a heart ailment. He now is able to work again after a heart operation at Roper Hospital in Charleston. Leroy and Wilma work at Spinning No. 3, 1st Shift. Tony is in the 5th grade.

Little Randy Millwood has made

all of us happy with his rapid recovery after heart surgery at Duke Hospital. Randy will be 3 years old in March. He is learning to walk now. We know you rejoice just to know the joy in Roy and Ruby's hearts. Ruby is timekeeper in Weave No. 3 office.

A special Christmas wish to both families.

Taking Stock . . .

As the year comes to a close, business is confronted with the task of taking stock; with making an itemized list of its goods with their estimated value. In this way it can be determined if there has been a gain or loss in the venture of the past year. And for several years at this season I have endeavored to make an inventory of different phases of our manufacturing ventures here at Pacolet Mills in order that those concerned may have an accurate account. Then a conclusion may be drawn as to profit or loss.

To make an inventory of the textile business one must know the amount of raw materials bought; the amount used; and the amount on hand; the cost of manufacturing which includes wages, supplies, new machinery and many other items. Then the aggregate of production, sales and inventory settles the question of profit or loss.

So often statements in the press concerning profits are misleading. This is due to the fact that taxes are not taken into account. For each dollar considered as profit by Pacolet Manufacturing Company approximately sixty cents is paid out as tax which fact means that only forty cents is retained. From this stockholders must be paid and a certain amount is set aside for the purchase of new machinery.

In order to have customers, the manufacturer must produce the fabric in demand. Recently we placed an order for 118 new 60" X 2 model looms for plant No. 5. Not because our 40" E models are worn out, but because our customers are demanding wider cloth. By installing new machinery we hope to make more money for the Company and provide regular employment for our employees for we will be producing a product currently in demand. The cost of the new looms is \$200,000. We contemplate buying five new slashers which will cost \$190,000. The cost of looms and slashers will be \$390,000. This accounts for partial disposal of the forty cents left after taxes.

Do you sometimes have questions concerning cost of our plant operations? During the year 1955 we used 53,174 bales of cotton which cost \$10,379,391.05; wages paid to employees \$4,061,551.94; supplies and repairs \$646,398.76 (not including new machinery).

Many people know that the percentage of waste in cotton is close to ten. This waste costs the Company the same per pound as good cotton. From the 53,174 bales of cotton used (there was 3,907,032 pounds of waste which cost \$1,406,495.52. It was sold for \$460,031.64. The difference between the buying and selling prices is \$945,868.83 plus the cost of baling and handling.

Totalling the cost of cotton, wages and supplies we have the sum of \$15,086,341.36 for one year. For one month the amount would be \$1,257,111.78. In order to pay for the three items, cotton, wages, supplies we must sell cloth amounting to \$1,257,111.78 monthly to break even, not considering depreciation of machinery. Thus it is evident that an enterprise such as ours requires much money as well as effort.

You will recall that at the end of last year textiles were in a bad state. Customers who usually bought cloth six months in advance bought from day to day in small quantities at prices sometimes below the cost of manufacturing. This state of things lasted through the first half of the year. Then there was gradual improvement in sale volume and slight gain in prices. At this time conditions are more promising for the first half of 1956, perhaps longer.

Much progress has been made lately relative to efficiency which is due to good cotton and more effort on your part. For this — management is most grateful. Let's continue the improvement, for as efficiency climbs so will quality.

The year 1955 has been most unusual at Pacolet Mills. We have developed three boroughs in six months while New York has developed only five through the years. This fact proves the slogan that Pacolet folks always do things in a big way. Seriously, we trust every one is happy in his new town, and we hope to live and work together without conflict. The year means much to those who are new home owners. The improvements are amazing and we share with you the satisfaction of a job well done.

May I take this opportunity to wish for each of you much happiness and joy during the holiday season, and health, happiness and prosperity in the New Year.

C. T. Holland
Pacolet Manufacturing Company
Pacolet Mills, S. C.

Pacolet Mills Elementary School Presents Program

The pupils of Pacolet Mills Elementary School presented a Christmas program on Wednesday morning, December 14th, in the school auditorium. Mrs. L. G. Tate's 3rd grade gave "St. Luke's" version of "The Nativity". Ray Parker said a Christmas prayer. Five Primary girls — Dianne Pearson, Kay Tessneir, Frances Watson, Laura Tate and Trudy Martin — as candles, brought a seasonal welcome.

A play, "A Gift for the Christ Child", was presented. In this presentation an older sister explains to a younger girl the true meaning of Christmas. The explanation is supplemented by choirs of readers, singers and tableaux.

The cast follows:

Sally, an older sister — Susan Holmes.

Gean, younger sister — Janice Mathis.

Jack Brown, a neighbor boy — Carol Turner.

Angels — Nancy Wells, Elaine

Robertson, Elaine Deaton, Sandra Phillips, Anne Tate.

Joseph and Mary — Richard Hollifield, Nancy Hammett.

Travelers — Wanda Brown, Bobby Marshall, Tommy K. Sullivan, Clifford Winters, Margaret Edgins, Jerry Rich, Selina Glass.

Shepherds — Phillip Hodge, Steve McGuire, Harold Turner, Cecil Ezell, Johnny Winstead.

Kings — Billy Hollifield, Johnny Hood, Jennings Banks.

Readers — Judy Whitt, Brenda Sprouse, Elizabeth Edgins, Barbara Ridings, Sharon Lee, Joyce Turner, Janice Webber, Martha Fowler, Jimmy Hood, Rothery Ann Upton, Norma Sue Jette.

Singers — Mary Alice Walker, Elinor Brown, Ralph Loving, Maxx Reeves, Anne Green, Michael Miller, Johnny Johnson, Linda Ellison, Lynn Niemyer, Nettie Ruth Biggerstaff, Lynn Shultz, Judy Lee, Judy Loftis, Wayne Bryant, Anne Loving, Lora Green, Joan Martin, David Deaton, Roy Newman, Pat-

ricia Lyda, Linda Crow, Tony Motto, Janice Sullivan.

The entire audience sang carols. Reverend James W. Crocker pronounced the benediction.

Mesdames J. C. Scott and C. T. Holland directed the program and were assisted by the entire teaching staff with costumes, staging, and accessories. Mrs. Scott was also the accompanist.

A number of parents and friends were present for this occasion. Their attendance and warm praise was most gratifying to the entire school personnel.

Goucher Baptist Church had a White Bible Service for Mary Jane Mathis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Faye Mathis. A candlelight program was given by members. Each member lighted a candle and gave best wishes for her new home to be. The leader, Mrs. Clyde Brown, presented her with a white Bible.

Miss Mathis will be married to Mr. Alvis Humphries Dec. 24.

SPECIAL NOTICE

This is a most opportune time to get the polio vaccine. The first shot will be given now, and in two or three weeks, the second shot, and then in seven months the third shot. This will completely immunize your child before the polio season begins.

Dr. Hill has the vaccine in his office now. It has been very scarce but he has now been able to get enough to take care of the needs of this community. The danger of the vaccine has been ruled out and Dr. Hill strongly advises you to have your children inoculated. Any child between the ages of one year and fifteen years is eligible to receive the polio

Good News For Older Employees

U. S. Department of Health, Education, And Welfare Social Security Administration

Here is some good news for the older employees of our company who are nearing retirement.

The Social Security Act now permits a person who is receiving retirement benefits to continue working on a part-time or seasonal basis and still receive all or at least part of his retirement income.

This is how it works—

1. If you earn \$1200 or less in the calendar year you are entitled to all of the 12 monthly retirement checks from social security.

2. If you work throughout the year and earn more than \$1200, then for each \$80 or fraction of \$80 over \$1200 you lose one month's retirement benefit.

For example — if you worked every month in the year and your total earnings amounted to \$1680, you would lose 6 retirement checks (\$480 excess divided by \$80). If you earned \$1680.01, you would lose 7 checks.

3. Ordinarily if your total yearly earnings were over \$2080, you would not be entitled to any social security payments, (see item 2 above). Regardless of how much over the \$1200 you earn in the calendar year, however, you can still receive social security payments for each month in which you earned less than \$80 in employment or do not render substantial services in self-employment. Since you can be paid for each month in which you earned less than \$80 or do not work substantially in self-employment, you should keep a careful record of your monthly earnings or self-employment activities.

For example, you could earn several thousand dollars in the first 6 months and if you did not work after June 30th, you would be able to collect your benefits for the last 6 months of the year.

By the above examples, you can see that retirement does not mean "total" retirement in so far as social security is concerned. You can continue to work part time or in a few months of the year and your social security benefits for that year would not be lost to you entirely.

For a more detailed explanation of earnings after "retirement" or the answer to your personal problem, this editor suggests that you contact your local social security district office. There is one located at 108 West Dunbar St. in Spartanburg, S. C.

Cecil's Business College Announces Award Winners

Cecil's Business College announced award winners in their Career Club assembly. Among them were the following students, from Pacolet.

Shorthand: Miss Nancy Wilkins, Miss Jennie Ann Walker, Miss June Puckette.



Pacolet Mills Officials Take Office

B. S. Thomas (extreme left) is shown swearing in new officers at the Town of Pacolet Mills Monday afternoon. Standing (left to right) FIRST ROW: B. S. Thomas, Mayor David Smith, Felix Seay, Jack Martin and James Kimrey. SECOND ROW: Raymond Ellison, Dewey Cook, W. B. Trent, Edsel Garner and Jimmy Pettit. (Photo by B&B Studio).

PARKER NAMED MISS HI-MISS



Phyllis Parker

Phyllis Parker was named Miss Hi Miss in a secret ballot vote cast by members of the Senior Class. She will be featured along with girls from North and South Carolina in the special edition of The Johnonian. This newspaper is the publication issued by Winthrop College students annually when they give prominence to high school senior girls chosen by their classmates as being outstanding in scholarship, leadership, character and personal appearance.

In April Miss Hi Miss representatives will be guests at Winthrop where they will be entertained on the campus and will get their first glimpse of college life.

Phyllis is Editor of the Telapaco which entitles her to membership in the Quill and Scroll, honorary journalistic society. She also belongs to the Beta Club, Dramatics Club, Glee Club, Student Council, Assembly Committee, and is a past president of her homeroom.

She plans to attend college after which she will train for a position



Nancy Catherine, Marianne, and Sara Elizabeth, daughters of Dr. and Mrs. H. J. McAlhany, Temple, Texas. Granddaughters of Rev. and Mrs. W. S. Pettus, Pacolet Mills.

as laboratory technician.

Phyllis is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred D. Parker of Goucher. Her mother is a member of the faculty of Goucher Elementary School and her father is postmaster at Pacolet Mills. She has two brothers, one of whom, Alfred, Jr., is a graduate of Pacolet High School. He is studying Pharmacy at the University of South Carolina.

TRAMMELL IS PROMOTED

Delmar Trammell, who is connected with M. Lowenstein and Sons, Inc., has received a promotion in the cotton department of this firm, and he and Martha are moving to Anderson, S. C., Jan. 1st.

PACOLET HIGH NEWS

A question brought up at the Student government meeting, Dec. 3, has the student body in a tense but excited mood. The question is "Is it possible to have a juke box in our canteen?" This decision rests on the better judgment of the administration, although every student would like very much to have music in his favorite lounging spot.

The Glee Club presented its Fall Concert Friday, December 9, before a good crowd. Soloists were Melissa Arnold, Herman Davis, Jr., Mrs. Norman Johnson, and Mr. David Hottel.

Recently Mr. Hugh Finch carried his Journalism class to the Herald-Journal in Spartanburg for a tour throughout the building. They saw how a newspaper is published starting in the newsroom and ending in the mailing department.

There has been a round of elections in our school during the past weeks. Charlotte Corn of Glendale and Robert Brown of Pacolet Mills were elected cheerleaders to serve with Bobbie White, DeAnn Teaster, and Melissa Arnold.

Each month the students elect a boy and girl of the month. They are selected on the basis of scholastic record, citizenship, and interest in the school. Oras Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Brown, was chosen as outstanding boy. Elizabeth Belk, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Belk, was elected as the best all around girl for the month of December.

Bob Wells and Judy Corn were chosen by the Block "P" Club as the boy and girl athlete of the month. Bob played center on the football squad and Judy plays forward for the Squaws.

The campaign for the sale of the Tomahawk, the school yearbook, is under way. The price is \$3.00 until the sixth of January. After this date there will be a fine of fifty cents.

THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Millwood and Randy wish to thank everyone for the prayers and kindness shown them during Randy's illness.

Kirk Sprouse wishes to say "thanks" to everyone who remembered him in any way during his recent illness.

NEW ARRIVALS

The Rev. and Mrs. Donald Russell O'Dell of Atlanta, Ga., announce the birth of a son, Christopher Dewitt, Nov. 13 at Emory University Hospital. Mrs. O'Dell is the former Miss Carolyn Seay, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Seay of Pacolet Mills. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. P. B. O'Dell of Union.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Watson (Ruth Trowell) announce the birth of a son, William Thomas, in December.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Peterson announce the birth of a son, Dec. 16, 1955.

OLD TIMER'S PARTY



On Thanksgiving Day the Old Timers of Pacolet Manufacturing Company were honored with a Thanksgiving Dinner at the Girls Club at 12 noon.

The guests included all the men and women who had retired since 1942, when accurate records were kept. Over 100 attended. As the guests arrived, they were presented favors and enjoyed talking over old times; after which they were invited into the banquet room.

The welcome was given by Mr. C. T. Holland. Mr. M. C. Stone presented gifts to Mr. Dick Lee, oldest retired worker present, and Miss Moselle Huff, oldest lady present. Mr. Richard Byars, whose birthday was nearest to Thanksgiving, was presented a birthday cake.

The club was beautifully decorated with giant yellow chrysanthemums, autumn leaves, cornucopias, etc. for the Thanksgiving season.

Mrs. Eddie Wells was in charge of the program. Others taking part on the program were Mrs. Jim Kimery, Mr. Foye Baker and Mr. Jimmy Hodge. Music was furnished by Herman Davis, Jr.



Mrs. Paige Named Girl Scout Chairman

Mrs. Jessie Paige has accepted a position with the Girl Scouts of Metropolitan Detroit as Neighborhood Chairman. She will be in charge of the Westwood District of Dearborn. The duties are to attend district committee meetings

and hold monthly meetings with the 17 leaders of her district, organize new troops, keep a waiting list of girls who want to become scout members, recruit prospective leaders to training courses, attend scout meetings,

also mothers and troop committee meetings, when needed. These 8 troops are from the Edsel B. Ford, Roosevelt High, McNair and Tomlinson schools. She began her duties Nov. 29.

Pacolet Mills Baptist Church News

BIBLE STUDY

IN PRAYER MEETINGS

Sometime ago I saw the heading of an article that caught my eyes and so filled my mind that I was unable to get away from it. It read something like this and I quote, "If Christ is in your home, Christmas means *more* each year."

At first I begged to disagree with the writer because like so many of you I have said over and over again, "Since I learned the identity of Santa Claus, Christmas does not mean much anymore." But after more careful thinking I agree wholeheartedly with the writer, and I can truthfully say that Christmas means more to me now than it did some years ago. Oh, I don't look forward to receiving gifts as I did in my childhood but that isn't the true spirit of Christmas anyway, is it? On the first Christmas the spirit was giving.

But the main reason Christmas means more to me now is that I know the Christ of Christmas and I have given my life to Him. The peace and joy that has come to me since this happened can't be revealed to anyone. This makes Christmas which is His Birthday the sweetest of all days to me. Often I think, "What if Christ had not come?"

Another reason Christmas means more to me now is the fellowship I have with Christian people. The link that joins us together is Christ — this we should never forget, whether we be Baptists, Methodists, Church of God, or Pilgrim Holiness, we serve the same Christ. Christmas made this possible.

Oh I could go on and on with many reasons but the primary purpose of this article is simple to get rid of that old saying that Christmas doesn't mean much to me anymore.

If Christmas doesn't mean anything to you I invite you to meet the Christ of Christmas. Make Him the Head of your Home and Christmas will mean *more* each year.

—James Crocker, Pastor

Beginning the first Wednesday night in January our pastor will be using as a basis for study the book, "Teachings of Jesus". This book is to be taught by every pastor and should be studied by every Christian in the Southern Baptist Convention. A study of this nature can change our lives, our church and our community. The Scripture involved is Matt. 5-7, and of course you recognize it as the Beatitudes.

Someone has said, "In this study we are nearest the heart of the Master. He wanted doers and not hearers only."

Another has said, "This study takes us to the center of the wheels of life, and there we find not an axle but a heart throbbing with love and more life for those already saved."

Why not plan to attend every Wednesday night? Credit will be given for both Sunday School and Training Union awards.

PRESCRIPTION FOR BLUES

One day when I was worried
And feeling very blue,
I read a small "prescription"
That I will share with you.
It said: "When you're discouraged,
Don't sit and fret and frown.
Just get a piece of paper
And write your blessings down."
I thought that there was nothing
For me to write about.
But long before I finished
My fountain pen ran out!

—Copied

YES, CHRISTMAS IS ON SUNDAY

Isn't it wonderful that this year the birthday of our Saviour comes on Sunday. It'll be good to get up this Christmas morning and make our way to the church to worship Him. Please don't let anything keep you from church.

This Christmas night we observe our annual Student Night and a large crowd is expected.

The First American Christmas Tree

It was 108 years ago that it came into being; the place was Wooster, Ohio, and it is believed to be the first Christmas tree to be raised in this country.

There was nothing new about the tree being a symbol for the observance of a religious festival, for back in pagan days the tree played a large part.

Thru the years new decoration changes have come about, but still the evergreen remains.

It was a young German immigrant, August Imgard, who introduced the Christmas tree to America. Born in Bavaria, he had come to Wooster to join his family. This season made him a bit homesick, so he decided to have a tree here in America just as he had had back home.

The tree was brought from the woods and decorated — in the year 1847. Children and grownups alike flocked to look upon it.

Another year came and many homes in Wooster enjoyed their own tree. Out of Wooster the custom spread throughout the United States.

Adapted from the story, "The

Class Reunion

The annual reunion of the Fifth, Sixth and Seventh Grades of 1922, 1923, and 1924 was held at the Girls Club Sunday, Dec. 4. There were about 35 present for the occasion. Christmas remembrances were exchanged.

Among the out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hunt of Greenville, S. C. Mr. and Mrs. Preston of Taylors and Miss Gladys Malone of Lyman. Mrs. Hassie Wells was a visitor.

Dinner was served by Tom's Kitchen.

Officers of the group are: President, Leo Kirby; Vice-President, Mrs. Marie Thompson; Secretary, Mrs. Reba P. Kirby; and Treasurer, Earl Mathis.

SERVICE NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Dorsey B. Greene are living in San Marcos, Tex. Dorsey being transferred from Ft. Meade, Md. to Gary Air Force Base in Texas.

He is training to become an Army Air Pilot. He will be stationed in Texas until April.

"First Christmas Tree" and used with permission of Christmas Ideals.



Boyd Fowler, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Fowler, who now is stationed in Germany. He is expected to be back in the States April of 1956. His address is:

P.F.C. Boyd Fowler, Jr.
U.S. 53223214
Co. B 40th Sig. Bn.
APO 164, New York, N. Y.



A2/C Ernest E. Harris and A3/C Doyce Thomas met in England soon after Ernest reached his base. The boys are enjoying being together and have spent some time together, sight-seeing and taking pictures. They say they enjoy reading the Neigh and want it sent to them while overseas.

Ernest is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Harris of Rt. 1, Pacolet.

Doyce is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Thomas.

VACATION IN EUROPE

Mrs. Norman Brown, and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Garner of Canada (Helen Williams Garner) have just returned from a flying vacation in Europe.

They left the Idlewild Airport in New York Nov. 22nd for Preswick, Scotland, making only one stop at Gander, Newfoundland. They arrived about noon of the 23rd. One day was spent sightseeing in Glasgow, Scotland — by taxi.

London was next on the air tour; here they visited such interesting places as London Tower, Buckingham Palace, Westminster Abbey, and No. 10 Downing Street — missing a most colorful occasion by only a few minutes — the changing of the guards.

Leaving the fogs of London it was refreshing to see Amsterdam, Holland next, with her pretty canals and lovely green fields covered with sheep and cattle. Here they were entertained by a couple whose son lives in Vancouver, B.C., Canada — not too far from the Garners.

From Holland they traveled to Germany by car — sightseeing there for two days. From Germany their next stop was Rome, Italy. It was good to be able to engage an English-speaking guide for a tour of Rome. Such famous places as the Colosseum, Vatican City and St. Peter's Church were visited. Many of the ancient ruins and the old walls were noted. One especially noticed the numerous fountains and statues which seemed to be everywhere.

On Dec. 2nd they left Rome for Geneva, Switzerland — flying over the Alps in day time. Here they visited a cousin and his family, Joe Robinson, who served as their guide in this beautiful part of the world. Among the more interesting places visited in Switzerland was The Castle of Chillon. Near the castle they dined at a mountain hotel where there was plenty of snow. On Sunday, Dec. 4th, they had the privilege of going through the U. N. Building.

One of the greatest disappointments of the trip was the fact that they missed seeing Paris. Transportation had been tied up for sometime in this country by strikes.

Monday, Dec. 6, they boarded the plane for the United States, making only two stops: Shannon, Ireland and Sydney, Nova Scotia, before reaching New York.

Prepare Your Own Income Tax

The Internal Revenue Service will furnish all the information and assistance you need to prepare your income tax return but you will be expected to do the actual filling out of the form. This has been found to be necessary in order that the Internal Revenue Service may assist as many taxpayers as possible and at the same time reduce the time during which Internal Revenue employees have to be diverted from their primary duty of examining incorrect returns. Experience during the last year in a number of districts throughout the country showed that taxpayers can prepare their own returns if their questions are answered and if they are shown how to complete the form. Last year \$63,000 in extra salaries was paid in helping less than 12% of taxpayers in filing returns.

If your total income was less than \$5000 of which not more than \$100 is income not subject to withholding, such as interest and dividends, you can use the simplified Form 1040A and the Internal Revenue Service will compute your tax for you, refunding any overpayment or sending you a bill for any balance due.

At every Internal Revenue Office personnel will be available on designated days to answer your questions and to assist you in the

preparation of your return. See Spartanburg County schedule below for dates. You will be given a place to sit and a pencil or pen so that you can prepare your return. Assistance can be obtained at the locations and on the dates listed below. Save a trip by using the telephone if convenient. If you do call in person at the office bring your own forms if possible. Before calling for information or assistance please (1) STUDY THE INSTRUCTIONS AND THE FORM; (2) ASSEMBLE ALL NECESSARY INFORMATION; AND (3) HAVE CLEARLY IN MIND THE ITEMS ON WHICH YOU NEED ASSISTANCE.

If you will follow the above instructions you can save your own time, can avoid long waits in line and loss of time from work. In addition you will have a sense of pride in a self-accomplished task.

TAXPAYER ASSISTANCE — Hours 8:30 A.M. to 5 P.M., at the Spartanburg offices and on the dates shown below:

- Jan. 3, 6, 9, 13, 16, 20, 25, 26, 27, 30, 31.
- Feb. 3, 6, 10, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 20, 24, 27.
- March 2, 5, 9, 12, 16, 19, 23, 26, 30.
- April 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16.
- Open until 9 P.M. on April 16.

Keeping Christmas

Henry Van Dyke, who wrote that famous book, "The Other Wise Man," also wrote a little article about keeping Christmas that I have in my scrapbook. At this Christmas season I want to share this little piece with you — so here it is:

ARE YOU WILLING?

- To stoop down and consider the needs and desires of little children;
- To remember the weakness and loneliness of people who are growing old;
- To stop asking how many of your friends love you, and ask yourself if you love them enough;
- To bear in mind the things that other people have to bear in their hearts;
- To try to understand what those who live in the same house with you really want, without waiting for them to tell you;
- To trim your lamp so that it will give more light and less smoke, and carry it in front so that your shadow will fall behind you;
- To make a grave for your ugly thoughts, and a garden for your kindly feelings, with the gate open—
- Are you willing to do these things even for a day?
- Then you can keep Christmas.

—Printopics

We Need Him On Our Side

He's the hardest fellow in the world to please. If you don't do a good job, he'll get someone who can.

He'll decide what kind of work you do — and how much work you do.

He'll decide how much you get paid — but he's willing to pay you what you're worth to him.

When you make good, there isn't anything he won't do for you.

As long as you do a good job, he'll back you to the limit.

He doesn't give a hoot what you did yesterday; it's what you do today that counts.

You can't rest on your laurels

with this fellow.

You might be able to fool him for a while — but don't count on being able to get away with anything for very long.

He never has any trouble getting people to work for him tough as he is.

If you know what's good for you, you'll work your head off to satisfy him.

Your whole future is pretty much in his hands.

This fellow answers to the name of CUSTOMER. You should know what makes him tick . . . because you've been in his shoes yourself.

—From The Clothmaker