



Fresno, California . . . You will find enclosed the \$1 for another year's subscription to THE KMA GUIDE. We can't hear you broadcast here in Calif., so about the only way we can hear from you is to receive the magazine every month.

> Mrs. Jesse Savacool 2616 South Cedar Ave.

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Van Wert, Iowa . . . Enclosed is \$2 for two more years of the GUIDE. I like it very much, it seems to bring us a little closer to all the staff when we can get a little peek into their personal lives.

Mrs. Brown Rhodes

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Fort Dodge, Iowa . . . I am enclosing a check for \$2 for which please extend my subscription to the GUIDE for two years then I won't have to bother renewing it again for awhile.

Mrs. Rosa Spangler

(Now, Mrs. Spangler, forget your worries and sit back and enjoy the GUIDE for two more years.)

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Savannah, Missouri . . . So glad you sent me notice about the GUIDE. I, like so many others, depend on you to let me know when I should renew. My twin sister and I enjoy the magazine very much.

Mrs. Esta Hasty

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Pawnee City, Nebraska ... I want to send in my \$1 now, to renew my subscription, while I have it. We enjoy your magazine so much, especially all the pictures. Where is Jim Kendrick and Larry and Marge Parker?

#### Miss Helen Mach

(We are always pleased to answer questions about the past entertainers and announcers who have been with us. Jim Kendrick is in Springfield, Missouri. Marge and Larry Parker are located in St. Joseph, Missouri.)

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Plattsmouth, Nebraska . . . Please give us a picture of the "RFD 960" boys.

Mrs. Harry Lohnes (See page 13.)

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#### Cover Boy-

# Playing Santa Was Ralph Childs First Radio Job

KMA Newseditor Ralph Childs (do you recognize him in that Santa Claus suit on the cover this month?) is right at home playing Santa Claus, for that is exactly what Ralph's first radio job was.

It was seventeen years ago. A Waterloo, Iowa radio station was looking for someone to play the part of Santa Claus and Ralph, who was then a school teacher, seemed to fit the bill.

So into town in an airplane flew Santa (Ralph) and for one-half hour a day, five days a week, for the next three weeks, Ralph played the part of old Saint Nick. It is fitting that Ralph be our Cover Santa this month, too, because there are four little Childs in the household, Stephan, 11, David, 8, Michael, 6, and four-year-old Susan.

The children have all been learning the 23rd Psalm lately which they recite nightly before retiring and here are a couple of choice quotations that were overheard. Stephan (who will probably turn out to be a fisherman): "Thy rod and thy reel shall comfort me." Michael (After a new girl named Shirley came into his class at school): "Shirley goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life."

Not to be outdone, little Susie refers to "He maketh me to lie down in green pastures" as the part about 'the man who slept in the woods!'







Edward May

# A Chat With Edward May

For the twelfth time this year I am writing my copy for the KMA GUIDE. Thus the months roll by, an unnecessary reminder that the calendar is about to strike off the year 1951. Many events have taken place during the past twelve months for it is truly one of the outstanding months of the entire year. Not from a weather standpoint but from the point of "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men." It is the only time in which we sing the many beautiful Christmas carols. It calls for family gatherings, decorating the Christmas tree and all young folks look forward to the arrival of Santa Claus with his many gifts.

At our house Annette and Karen are anxiously awaiting the arrival of Santa. Both girls hope he will bring them a doll and some nice doll clothes. Karen hopes St. Nick will have an extra pair of roller skates for her and Annette would like to have a bicycle. I don't know what Santa will leave for the girls but undoubtedly he will have something nice for them. They are trying to be extra good in their behavior and are both learning their parts for the annual Christmas church program.

Shortly after this issue of the GUIDE reaches you our Spring catalog will be going to press. The first copies of the book

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usually arrive in Shenandoah about Christmas and we start mailing them around the first of the year. With the arrival of the Spring catalog it is a reminder that Spring and better weather are ahead, and it helps one's disposition to look through the new catalog and decide what we are going to order and plant to make our yard more beautiful. If you will send us your name and address we will be most happy to send you a 1952 Spring catalog.

Incidentally, I ran across an old Chinese proverb that I think is quite appropriate.

"If you want to be happy for an hour, get drunk."

"If you want to be happy for 3 days, get married."

"If you want to be happy for a week, kill your pig and eat it."

"If you want to be happy forever have a garden."

I hope all of us will pause during this Christmas season to look back over 1951 and count our many blessings. We all have a great deal to be thankful for. As we reflect the events of the past twelve months we will see the many things we built during the year. I hope these things were built upon rock, not upon sand, for it is a foolish man who builds his house upon sand.

I hope your Christmas is the finest you ever had and I hope your family and many friends will be near you over the holidays. On behalf of the May family and all the folks at KMA, I sincerely wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.



Top, left: The KMA Midwesterners entertain the homemakers. Top, right: (l. to r.) Gayle Maher, "Penny Auction's" Glenn Harris, Wayne Beavers and a happy contestant. Bottom, left: Part of the huge auditorium crowd. Bottom, right: Wayne Beavers interviews home economist Kathryn Miller as LeRoy Miller looks on.

# Huge Crowd Attends KMA Homemakers' Day Show

More than 1300 homemakers from 104 towns in Iowa, Nebraska, Missouri and Kansas packed the KMA Auditorium-Studio one beautiful afternoon during the November "Homemakers' Day" celebration to celebrate the biggest KMA Homemakers' Day on record.

The Miller Tractor Co. of Shenandoah, International Harvester dealer, was host for the afternoon's program which included an interesting demonstration on cooking a complete meal from the home freezer by Miss Kathryn Miller, International Harvester home economist.

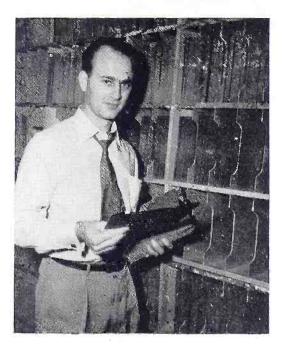
In addition to entertainment by the KMA Mid-Westerners, the homemakers were treated to Glenn Harris' famous KMA- KMTV "Penny Auction" show during which hundreds of dollars worth of prizes were given to contestants.

Introduced during the program by Doris Murphy were KMA homemakers Adella Shoemaker and Bernice Currier as well as Kay Wilkins, assistant to Edith Hansen on Tidy House's "Kitchen Club" program. All four homemakers greeted the homemakerguests as they arrived for the celebration.

Also introduced from the stage during the program was Edward May, president of KMA, who officially greeted the homemakers to Shenandoah.

At the conclusion of the program, Mr. LeRoy Miller, of Miller Tractor Co., presented a \$279 home freezer to one of the homemakers after her name was chosen from the registration fish bowl by a small boy.

# "Notes 'Til Nine" Disc Jockey Bill Hare Is Ex-Trumpet Playing Band Leader



Bill Hare selects some tunes out of the KMA music room racks for his Saturday show.

When Bill Hare spins the records on his popular Saturday morning "Notes "Til Nine" program, you can be assured of one thing! He knows his music.

For Bill is an accomplished musician who

has been tooting a trumpet ever since he was eight years old and at one time had his own college dance band at Nebraska Wesleyan College in Lincoln, Nebraska. Bill also played in an army band during his World War II service days.

His "Notes 'Til Nine" show, presented in a very casual manner and liberally sprinkled with the weather reports, time and temperature, is gaining a lot of friends in its 8 to 9 a.m. slot every Saturday on KMA.

"I like to play some good, bouncy, fast tempo popular tunes on the program to get everybody off to a jolly Saturday morning start", Bill explains.

Bill's own favorite vocalist is Doris Day and his favorite band is Ray Anthony.



# Forecasts For The Month



#### BIRTHDAYS:

- Dec. 1—Don Shoemaker, Jr., son of homemaker Adella Shoemaker.
- Dec. 7-Jon Leston Ely, son of transmitter engineer Walter Ely.
- Dec. 9—James Stotts, son of staff artist Bob Stotts.
- Dec. 10—Donald Burrichter, assistant chief engineer.
- Dec. 11—Ina Burdick, KMA GUIDE circulation manager.
- Dec. 12—Marie Griswold, wife of evangelist Hilton Griswold.
- Dec. 14—Bruce Langfitt, son of farm service director Merrill Langfitt.
- Dec. 24-Adella Shoemaker, homemaker.
- Dec. 30—Pat Koelker, wife of assistant station manager Tony Koelker.

ANNIVERSARIES:

- Dec. 25—Don and Adella Shoemaker, homemaker.
- Dec. 31—Delores and Jack Josephson, control room operator.



RAMONA'S FIRST BIRTHDAY PARTY — Ramona Beavers (in center with ribbon in hair) daughter of KMA program director Wayne Beavers celebrated her sixth birthday recently with the help of many of her friends. One of the guests (at far right with bangs) is Susie Childs, daughter of KMA newseditor Ralph Childs.

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On the KMA Party Line WITH DORIS MURPHY

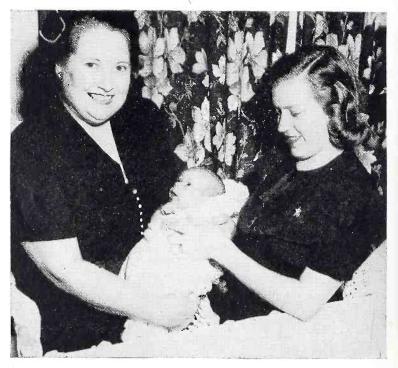
Announcer LEE SUTTON and KMA GUIDE editor HAROLD ARKOFF are still digging black out of their ears, after having participated in the Minstrel Show sponsored by the American Legion. LEE, as one of the "end men" and HAROLD as a gay chorus girl, added much to the success of the popular minstrel. LEE is now making plans to spend Christmas with his folks at Springdale, Ark.

Everything was all set . . . arrangements had been made to extend Farm Service Director MERRILL LANGFITT'S program from 15 to 30 minutes daily. The first day, MERRILL was especially anxious to have a good program. But when the day arrived and MER-RILL hadn't shown up at the studio by 6:15 a.m., the control operator put a call thru to the LANG-FITT home. After continued ringing and no answer, he hurriedly called Chief Announcer WARREN NIELSON . . . and asked him to rush to studio as LANGthe FITT'S show was due on the air in one minute. Frantically NIELSON grabbed his trousers . . . putting them over his pa-

jamas . . . slipped into a pair of bedroom slippers . . . and donned his coat as he rushed out the door. Within 2 or 3 minutes after receiving the call, he was in the studio ready to take over. Humiliated . . . MER-RILL called the studio at 7 to report he had just awakened! He had forgotten to set the alarm the night before! Oh well . . . the best laid plans of "mice and men" oft go wrong!

The day preceding her death, Mrs. Paul Rainbolt of Albany, Mo., requested that entertainer BOB STOTTS of KMA, sing at her funeral. Mrs. Rainbolt, age 29, had always enjoyed BOB'S singing. Her wish was carried out.

Bet every motorist whose car stops on cold days this winter hope they will be as lucky as KMA salesman, JIM COTTRELL! When his car died in the front of the office one day, JIM was amazed to see the door open and out rush a half a dozen pretty



KMA homemaker Adella Shoemaker proudly holds her grandson Gregory George Shoemaker as the proud mother, Mrs. George (Joan) Shoemaker looks on.

> office gals to give him a push. He was so overcome by all the glamorous attention that he probably won't care whether he ever gets a new battery or not, if he could be sure it would always die in front of the KMA radio office.

> This bright young fellow in the picture looking so fondly at his grandmother, is GREGORY GEORGE SHOEMAKER, month old grandson of ADELLA SHOE-MAKER. Sitting beside him smiling sweetly at her new son is his mother JOAN. He

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was born Oct. 21, has brown eyes, brown hair, and seldom cries except when he has an occasional spell of colic. He is a real boy thru and thru. His mother has seen to that. Ever since he arrived home from the Hand Hospital, he has been wearing rompers . . no sissy baby dresses for him! GREGORY loves being rocked in the old fashioned cradle his grandmother gave him.

In order to hurry up breakfast, entertainer BOB STOTT'S wife usually puts the coffee in the pot the night before, so when he gets up at 5 a. m. for his early morning program, he can prepare his breakfast in a jiffy. However, one morning their efficient plan failed to work! BOB had his bread toasted, ham and egg fried and was



Miss Kathryn Miller (left) and I are shown here before the home freezer that was given away at last month's Homemakers' Day celebration.

all ready to eat breakfast, with the exception of pouring his coffee. He started to pour, but to his amazement, instead of a rich golden brown fluid, plain hot water poured from the spout. His wife had forgotten to prepare the coffee pot the night before! That accounts for the reason BOB was 10 minutes late that morning.

"JEEP" LINDEMANN, KMA'S accorddionist has sworn off the habit of smoking. The reason? Because he wants to put on some weight. No wonder . . . he weighs

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only 90 pounds!

Troubles never come one at a time. The same week control operator NORMAN KLING cut his arm and had four stitches taken in his wrist, his 4 yr. old son BEN-NIE had his tonsils removed.

Wouldn't YOU have been happy to have won this beautiful new International Harvester Home Freezer? I'm sure every housewife dreams of some day owning just such a home freezer, and that's why we were so thrilled when Miller Tractor Co. of Shenandoah awarded this freezer to some lucky housewife in our audience Homemakers' Day at KMA, Nov. 8th. Standing beside the freezer at left is MISS KATHRYN MILLER of Omaha, Home

E c o n o m i st for International Harvester Co., and I am on the right. MISS MILLER, g u e s t speaker gave a wonderful talk on "New Ideas in Home Freezing," preparing a whole meal on stage.

Driving home in the rain from Omaha about midnight . . . tired after attending a cousin's wedding, salesman JIM COTTRELL, wife and baby, were eager to get in bed. As they pulled out of Sidney, MRS. COTTRELL remarked: "It won't be long now!" Little did they realize how LONG it would be. Very shortly they heard a loud noise, and discovered a tire had blown out. JIM pulled off to the side of the road, got out in the rain and started to put the jack under the rear axle. But the harder he

worked, the deeper the jack slipped in the mud and slush. Finally he hailed a car and asked the passing motorist to give MRS. COTTRELL a lift into town, to get some help. In the meantime, JIM continued to struggle with the jack. Finally help arrived and after much work the tire was fixed. But by that time both cars were stuck in the mud. After more pushing and pulling, the COTTRELLS finally arrived home at a quarter of five, after nearly 5 hours of miserable worry with a flat tire!

# Popular Serials Are Daily KMA Features

The two top daytime dramatic serials now heard weekdays on KMA will soon be joined by a third, "Joyce Jordan, M. D.", when that program begins its broadcasts Monday, December 10. Below are sketches about all three programs.

"AGAINST THE STORM" (9:45 a. m. Monday through Friday)—The only daytime dramatic program ever to receive the coveted Pulitzer Award. "Against the Storm" is set in a typical college town and presents the story of Professor Jason McKinley Allen, his family and friends and the prob-

lems they face in today's stormy world. Joan Tompkins and Grant Richards play the roles of "Siri" and "Hal" in the serial which is written by Sandra Michaels. Miss Michaels believes that a program must end with a daily question in order to invite people to tune in the next day. She makes her characters believable and realistic.



Joan Tompkins and Grant Richards of "Against the Storm" cast.

"THE STRANGE ROMANCE OF EVE-LYN WINTERS" (2:45 p. m. Monday through Friday)—Toni Darnay, the girl who plays the title role in this popular dramatic program, is one of the many talented young actresses who turned to a



Toni Darnay (left) and Karl Swenson star in "The Strange Romance of Evelyn Winters".

successful career before the microphone after first gaining experience on the stage. At 13 she embarked on her dramatic career by appearing in vaudeville in Chicago and later came stage appearances, including a part in the play "The Duena" with Gregory Peck. Next came a part in the popular "Sadie Thompson", and, at the same time, success in radio. Karl Swenson plays the principal male role in the program.

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"JOYCE JORDAN, M. D." (2:30 p. m. Monday through Friday, beginning December 10)-This famous daytime serial presents a dramatic approach to a woman's life in the medical profession. It was one of daytime radio's rated dramas during the 11 years it was heard nationally, between 1937 and 1948. KMA-ABC listeners will meet Joyce Jordan, M. D. when she is celebrating her 32nd birthday. An attractive, poised and skilled physician, she is on the staff of the City Medical Center of a large metropolitan city. Her major ambition is to effectively reduce the enormous quantity of suffering endured by humanity with the philosophy that "the true ground of medicine is love".

"Joyce Jordan, MD" will present appealing stories, backgrounded by authentic scenes and events in the medical profession, plus the intimate, absorbing drama of Joyce's personal life. 

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But you must act now! There's a handy order blank on the opposite page. Just rip the whole page out, fill in the names and addresses and send it back to us TODAY! We'll make sure they receive the gift card in time for Christmas. Incidentally, you will probably want to renew YOUR own subscription at the same time, while this special Christmas offer is in effect.

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### Frank Comments By FRANK FIELD

I had hoped to be able to use an entirely different picture on this page this month, of a much younger member of the Field tribe. However, I didn't get the necessary cooperation. At the last minute I decided that since you hadn't seen the oldest grandson for quite a while, it might be a good idea to take a picture of Johnny and his dog Brownie. So here they are, taken in Zo's living room in front of the fireplace. You can just see a tiny bit of the hearthstone in the lower right hand corner of the picture.

Brownie is an American Rattailed Water Spaniel, and has always been one of the family since she was a pup. She has the full run of the house in the daytime, but at night she retires to the basement. I don't believe she ever has slept out of doors

a single night. Daytimes she mostly sleeps on that footstool she is sitting on. In fact she considers it to be her own personal property.

In spite of the fact that she is such a pet and house dog, she really is a very good hunting dog, and seems to be equally good at retrieving ducks, geese, pheasants and quail.



Young Johnny Fishbaugh and his dog, Brownie.

Johnny is nine years old now, and in the fourth grade at school. He lives just a half a block from the school house, so naturally he has a pretty fair attendance record. He likes his school about as much as the average small boy does, and gets better than average marks. When he gets into high school he will be almost as near as he is to the grade school. In fact it is just a block and a half, as he lives right between the two schools.

Big Johnny and Bob Fishbaugh are the

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hunting members of the Field family and for the past month they have been dashing madly off in all directions at the slightest excuse. It doesn't make any difference whether the weather is good, bad or indifferent, and the surprising thing is that they have been bringing home their share of game every time they go out. With the possible exception of quail, which have not been too plentiful here in southwest Iowa.

Peg's husband Jim Bellamy, doesn't seem to have any hankering for hunting at all. His hobby is making and flying model airplanes. The kind with the real gas engine, and which is controlled by two long wires. Jim is really quite proficient at it, and even Peg sometimes takes a hand at the controls.

Photography has always been my hobby, as you know, but of late years it has turned out to be a fairly large part of my job. I guess you would call gardening my hobby now, but even that is becoming more and

> more as much for business as it is for fun, because we use mv backyard pretty much for a trial grounds to test out the new things, to see whether or not they are good enough to list in the catalog. You would be surprised at the things I try out in my yard, and which you never hear anything about, because they don't live up to expectations.

I guess, though, that is the way we get things perfected. If no one went to the trouble to try out new ideas in plant life how could we ever expect to have any progress. There is a lot of hard work and sometimes failures between the time an item goes to the trial grounds and the time you see it available in our catalog.

Oh yes, about that picture I mentioned in the first paragraph. I think I can definitely promise it to you for next month.

Grass Root Notes

By MERRILL LANGFITT KMA Farm Service Director

Merrill Lanfitt is heard each morning on KMA at 6:30 a.m., with his "RFD 960" program.

Christmas on the farm--what a wonderful experience it is. As a boy at home on the farm in Warren County Iowa it was always a big job to get the chores done on Christmas morning. That was the one morning of the year that we didn't have to be called. We were always awake long before daylight. Then how the minutes dragged until we could jump out of bed and rush downstairs to see the presents under the tree. Chores were always late on Christmas, because we opened our presents as soon as the family were all up.

We had a Christmas tradition at our house that some of you might

like. There was always a Christmas plate on the table for each of us when we came downstairs. For weeks before Christmas mother selected little tasty tid-bits to make up our plates. Mother always included stuffed dates, which we were so fond of, a big orange, nuts, candied fruit, and then the selection of special candy. Each plate had a name on it, so part of the fun was looking for our own plate.

After the excitement of unwrapping the presents we all sat down to a hearty breakfast (mother always made us eat a breakfast so we wouldn't stuff ourselves so much with sweets). After breakfast the chores had to be done and then we settled down to enjoying Christmas at home and the big Christmas dinner of chicken, turkey or duck. In the depression years it was usually chicken, but in later years we have enjoyed turkey on Christmas.

The Langfitts hope you have a nice Christmas and great happiness over the holidays and that your family will all be with you.



Merrill interviews Virgil Freed in preparing material for use on the ABC network show, December 8.

### Langfitt To Broadcast On 2 ABC Network Shows

Merrill Langfitt, KMA farm service director, will originate two coast-to-coast ABC network broadcasts during December that will be aired by more than 275 radio stations throughout America. They will be heard on the popular KMA-ABC show, "The American Farmer" which is heard every Saturday morning at 11:30.

On the December 8 broadcast, Merrill will interview Virgil Freed, a Page County, Iowa farmer who lives 11 miles south of Red Oak, on the problems that farmers have faced in their cattle feeding programs this year.

The December 22 broadcast will be about the "Story of the Christmas Turkey" and Merrill will interview a leading midwest turkey grower on the peculiarities of raising turkeys and progress being made in that industry.

Merrill is heard everyday on KMA at 6:30 a.m. with his "RFD 960" program.



# HOMEMAKER'S GUIDE

### Kitchen Klinik By ADELLA SHOEMAKER

These cooky and candy recipes are "musts" for Christmas at my house. I hope they will add to the shine of Christmas at yours. All are three star recipes.

#### BLACK WALNUT COOKIES

1/2 cup butter

- 2 tablespoons powdered sugar
- 1 cup sifted all-purpose flour

1 cup finely chopped black walnuts

Cream butter and powdered sugar together. Work in flour and then black walnuts, with your fingers. Roll out into rolls about pencil size in length and thickness. Cut into inch lengths. (I lay a ruler by "pencil" of dough and just cut off by measure. It's quick and easy, and the cookies are pleasingly uniform.) Bake 15 minutes on ungreased sheet in slow oven, 325°. You can put a good many cookies on one sheet just so they do not touch. They should be less than straw color when done. Remove from oven, roll while warm in powdered sugar. Store in air-tight containers.

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#### PECAN CHRISTMAS BALLS

This recipe is similar to the Black Walnut cooky. This too, can be made now and stored in an air-tight container.

- 1/2 cup butter
- 2 tablespoons granulated sugar
- 1 cup pecans measured, then ground or chopped fine
- 1 cup sifted cake flour

Mix all together with your fingers. Roll into little balls about the size of a quarter. Do not flatten. These balls keep their round shape in baking. Bake in a slow oven about 30 minutes, on an ungreased cooky sheet. They are less than straw colored when done. While warm roll in powdered sugar.

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#### PROFESSIONAL CARMELS

3 cups sugar 2 tablespoons cornstarch 1 cup white corn syrup

1 cup heavy cream

- 5/8 cup milk (use your 1/2 cup measure, and 1/2 of your 1/4 cup)
- 4 tablespoons butter
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 2 cups black walnuts, chopped

Put the sugar and cornstarch into a large sauce pan, preferably one with a heavy bottom. (Your pressure cooker sauce pan is perfect for candy making). Mix well. Add all the rest of the ingredients except the flavoring and nutmeats. Cook over a low heat, and stir until sugar is melted. Increase heat a little and cook to 248° or until a few drops in cold water are as hard as the carmels should be when finished. Remove from fire and cool a couple of minutes before adding flavoring and nutmeats. Stir as little as possible. Turn into thickly buttered pan 7" x 11", or any size to make candy about 3/4" thick. Set in cold place until quite hard (over night best). Turn onto slab and cut into strips as wide as candy is thick, then cut into squares. Use butcher knife. If room is warm, cut only part of sheet at a time, or work steadily before carmel softens. Wrap squares in wax paper and store in cool place.

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#### ORANGE FUDGE

2-1/4 cups brown sugar

- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup orange juice
- 1/2 teaspoon cream of tartar
- 1/4 teaspoon orange flavoring (can be omitted)
- 1/4 cup broken pecan meats

Combine sugar, salt, and juice in large saucepan. Blend thoroughly and heat slowly until sugar is dissolved. Then cook to soft ball stage, 238°. Cool to lukewarm then add orange flavoring and nuts and beat until creamy. Turn into buttered pan, and when partly cooled, mark into squares. Cut apart when cold.



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# Homemaker Visit

By BERNICE CURRIER

#### CHRISTMAS MORNING COFFEE CAKE

1/2 cup scalded milk
1/4 cup shortening
1/4 cup brown sugar
1-1/2 teaspoons salt
1/2 cup lukewarm water
2-1/2 to 3 cups sifted flour
1 egg
1 package dry yeast
3/4 cup quick cooking rolled oats
1/4 cup chopped nut meats
1/4 cup chopped dates
1/4 cup chopped candied fruits

Pour scalded milk over shortening, sugar, and salt. Add water. Stir in 1 cup flour, add unbeaten egg and yeast, beat with rotary beater for 2 minutes. Add rolled oats, nutmeats, dates and candied fruit. Add enough flour to make soft dough. Turn out on lightly floured board and knead till satiny, about 10 min. Round dough into a ball, place in greased bowl, brush lightly with shortening, let rise in warm place till double, about 1 hr. Punch down, cover and let rest 10 min. Roll dough out on board into a sheet about 1/4 in. thick. Brush with melted butter or margarine. Combine 1/2 cup sugar and 1 tablespoon cinnamon. Sprinkle over dough, roll up like a jelly roll and seal edges. Shape it into a ring on a greased baking sheet, turning the ends outward to form a bow. With scissors make cuts 1" apart around outside edge of ring to about 2/3 the way in. Turn each slice slightly on its side. Brush with melted shortening, cover and let rise till double. Bake in 375° oven 25 to 30 min. Frost with powdered sugar icing and decorate with cut candied cherries and outline bow with cherries.

#### HOT TURKEY SALAD FOR CHRISTMAS NIGHT

2 cups cubed cooked turkey or chicken 2 cups sliced celery 1/2 cup chopped toasted almonds

- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 2 teaspoons grated onion
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 1 cup mayonnaise
- 1/2 cup grated American cheese 1 cup crushed potato chips

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Combine ingredients except cheese and potato chips. Toss lightly. Pile lightly into individual baking cups, sprinkle with cheese and potato chips, bake in 450° oven for 10 min. This will serve 5 or 6.

#### CHRISTMAS PUDDING CANDY

- 1 pound dates
- 1 pound figs
- 1 pound raisins

Stone dates and look figs and raisins over carefully for stems. Put thru grinder and add 1 pound coconut shredded and 1 cup chopped nut meats. Cook to soft ball stage 3 cups white sugar, 1 cup sweet cream and 1 tablespoon butter. Remove from heat and add 1 teaspoon vanilla. Beat until thick and creamy. Mix with the ground mixture. Make into two rolls, wrap in damp cloth and wax paper. Put away to ripen for two weeks. Slice thin to serve.

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#### CHERRY SNOW CHRISTMAS CAKE

Bake your finest 2 layer white cake. When done, chill the layers and then split in half using toothpicks in sides of layers to guide knife. Spread Cherry-Almond Filling between layers and on top and sides.

#### Cherry Almond Filling

Soften 1 tablespoon plain gelatin in 1/4 cup cold water for 5 min. Place over boiling water, stir until completely dissolved. Add an 8-oz. jar of maraschino cherries finely cut, and the juice, 1/2 cup sugar, 1/8 teaspoon salt. Chill until slightly thickened. Fold in 2 cups heavy cream whipped. Add 1/3 cup blanched almonds finely cut, 1/4 teaspoon vanilla, 1/2 teaspoon almond extract. Fold all together.



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"RFD 960" Gang Brings Langfitt and Songs Each A. M.

You can expect almost everything when that "RFD 960" bunch gets around the microphone each morning at 6 a. m. for an hour of fun, music, farm news, weather and interviews.

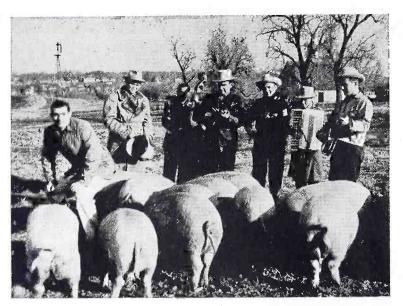
Here they all are, shown out in the barnyard serenading some of Ed May's Chester Whites. (That's the Chester Whites in the foreground!)

The "RFD 960" Farm Hands get the program off to a fast musical start

for the first half hour with Merrill acting as master of ceremonies after 6:30, presenting farm news, commentary and interviews.

Lee Sutton does the announcing duties





THE "RFD 960" GANG—Left to Right: Lee Sutton, Merrill Langfitt, Bob Stotts, Ernie Frost, Herman Housh, Jeep Lindemann, and Ken Weldon. (With some of their "loyal listeners"?)

and the Farm Hands are composed of Bob Stotts, Ernie Frost, Ken Weldon, Herman Housh, and Jeep Lindemann. It's a funfilled, and informative hour, beamed your way every morning!

### HUNTING - TRAPPING IS DOC'S HOBBY

Here, with everything looking just "ducky", is Doc Embree, and, as everybody can tell, he's been out hunting and has really brought back the bacon—whoops, we mean the Mallards!

Doc gets up "in the middle of the night" almost every morning during duck season to go after the elusive birds. Incidentally, a few weeks back several from his catch wound up in an anniversary duck dinner for Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Hawkins, with the Embrees acting as hosts. The Hawkins and Embrees are next door neighbors.

Doc is also a trapping enthusiast and has already 30 muskrats to his record this season.

(Coming in the January GUIDE is a picture of Doc and Esther's son John. Be sure and watch for it.)

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# KMA DAILY PROGRAMS FOR DECEMBER, 1951

960 ON YOUR DIAL - 5000 WATTS

#### DAILY DAYTIME PROGRAMS MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY

5:00 a.m.—Hillbilly Jamboree 5:50 a.m.—News & Weather—Pippert 6:00 a.m.—RFD 960 Farmhands 6:30 a.m.—RFD-960—Langfitt 7:00 a.m.—Paul Pippert, News 7:15 a.m.—Frank Field 7 30 a.m.—Betty & Lyn 7:45 a.m.—Morning Headlines—Pippert 8:00 a.m.-Breakfast Club 9:00 a.m.-Homemaker Visit-Bernice Currier 9:25 a.m.-Edward Arnold 9.30 a.m.—Betty Crocker 9:45 a.m.—Against The Storm 10:00 a.m.-Edith Hansen 10:30 a.m.—Break The Bank 11:00 a.m.—Jack Berch 11:10 a.m.—Jack Berch 11:15 a.m.—Victor H. Lindlahr 11:30 a.m.—Doc & Esther 11:45 a.m.—KMA Cowboys 12:00 noon--Ralph Childs, News 12:15 p.m.—Edward May 12:30 p.m.—Half Past Nooners 12:45 p.m.—Market Reports, Child 12:45 p.m.—Market Reports, Childs 1:00 p.m.—Western Hit Tunes 1:15 p.m.—Bob Stotts 1:30 p.m.—Ozark Mountain Boys 1:45 p.m.—Curly Dale 2:00 p.m.—The Midwesterners 2:30 p.m.-Joyce Jordon, M. D. 2:45 p.m.-Evelyn Winters 3:00 p.m.-Betty & Lyn 3:15 p.m.—Doc & Esther 3:30 p.m.—Kitchen Klinik—Adella Shoemaker 4:05 p.m.—Hawkeye Hawaiians 4:15 p.m.—Camp Meeting Time 4:30 p.m.—P. Pippert, News 4:45 p.m.—Y. Tippert, News 4:45 p.m.—Mickey Cottey 5:00 p.m.—Bar Nothing Ranch 5:30 p.m.—Mark Trail (M. W. F.) 5:30 p.m.—Fun Factory (T. Th.) 5:55 p.m.—Victor Borge (M.W.F.) 5:55 p.m.-Will Rogers (T. Th.)

#### MONDAY NIGHT

6:00 p.m.-Sports Parade 6:15 p.m.—Mickey Cottey 6:30 p.m.—Ralph Childs, News 6:45 p.m.-Edw. May, Mkts. & Weather 7:00 p.m.-Lone Ranger 7:30 p.m.—Henry J. Taylor 7:45 p.m.—Outdoor Mid-America

AMERICAN BROAD

- 8:00 p.m.—Paul Whiteman's Teen Club
- 9:00 p.m.-Bob Crosby
- 9:15 p.m.—Dream Harbor

- 9:30 p.m.—Dreum Halbor 9:30 p.m.—Time For Defense 10:00 p.m.—Ralph Childs, News 10:15 p.m.—Sports Report 10:30 p.m.—The Big Hand 11:00 p.m.—Newstime 11:15 p.m.—Music By Lamplight
- 11:55 p.m.-News

#### TUESDAY NIGHT

6:00 p.m.-Sports Parade 6:20 p.m.—Let's Go Visiting 6:30 p.m.—Ralph Childs, News 6:45 p.m.—Edw. May, Mkts. & Weather 7:00 p.m.—Mr. Mercury 7:30 p.m.—Metro. Auditions 8:00 p.m.—Am. Town Meeting 8:45 p.m.—You and The Law 9:00 p.m.—Stars On Parade 9:15 p.m.—Dream Harbor 9:30 p.m.—United Or Not 10:00 p.m.-Ralph Childs, News 10:15 p.m.-Sports Report 10:30 p.m.-Autumn Serenade 11:00 p.m.—Newstime 11:15 p.m.—Music By Lamplight ll:55 p.m.—News

#### WEDNESDAY NIGHT

6:00 p.m.-Sports Parade 6:15 p.m.-Mickey Cottey 6:30 p.m.-Ralph Childs, News 6:45 p.m.—Edw. May, Mkts. & Weather 7:00 p.m.-Lone Ranger 7:30 p.m.-Mystery Theatre 8:00 p.m.-Richard Diamond 8:30 p.m.-The Top Guy 9:00 p.m.-Mr. President 9:30 p.m.—Latin Quarter Band 10:00 p.m.—Ralph Childs, News 10:15 p.m.—Sports Report 10:30 p.m.—Pan American Union 11:00 p.m.—Newstime 11:15 p.m.—Music By Lamplight 11:55 p.m.—News

#### THURSDAY NIGHT

6:00 p.m.—Sports Parade 6:20 p.m.-Let's Go Visiting 6:30 p.m.—Ralph Childs, News 6:45 p.m.-Edw. May, Mkts. & Weather 7:00 p.m.—Silver Eagle 7:30 p.m.—Defense Attorney

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8:00 p.m.—Amateur Hour 8:45 p.m.—Adventure Is Your Heritage 9:00 p.m.—KMA Showcase 9:15 p.m.—Club Can-Do 9:30 p.m.—Henry JeRome's Band 10:00 p.m.—Ralph Childs, News 10:15 p.m.—Sports Report 10:30 p.m.—Dance Orchestra 11:00 p.m.—Newstime 11:15 p.m.—Newstime 11:15 p.m.—Music By Lamplight 11:55 p.m.—News

#### FRIDAY NIGHT

6:00 p.m.—Sports Parade 6:15 p.m.—Mickey Cottey 6:30 p.m.—Ralph Childs, News 6:45 p.m.—Edw. May, Mkts. & Weather 7:00 p.m.—Lone Ranger 7:30 p.m.—This Is Your FBI 8:00 p.m.—Ozzie & Harriet 8:30 p.m.—Mr. District Attorney 9:00 p.m.—Boxing Bout 9:30 p.m.—Am. Sports Page 10:00 p.m.—Ralph Childs, News 10:15 p.m.—Sports Report 10:30 p.m.—Newstime 11:15 p.m.—Newstime 11:15 p.m.—News

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#### SUNDAY PROGRAMS

6:55 a.m.-Weather Summary 7:00 a.m.—News 7:15 a.m.—Favorite Hymns 7:30 a.m.—Worship Service 8:00 a.m.—Rev. Gene Phillips 8:30 p.m.—Your Worship Hour 9:00 a.m.—Sunday School Lesson 9:15 a.m.—Bible Truth 9:30 a.m.—News 3:45 a.m.—Morning Song 10:00 a.m.—Negro College Choir 10:30 a.m.—Milton Cross 11:00 a.m.—Navy Band 11:30 a.m.—Piano Playhouse 12:00 noon--Ralph Childs, News 12:15 p.m.—Serenade In Blue 12:30 p.m.—U. N. Story 12:45 p.m.—Guest Star 1:00 p.m.—Marines In Review 1:30 p.m.—Back To The Bible 2:00 p.m.—Newstime—Childs 2:15 p.m.—Heilton Griswold Sings 2:30 p.m.—Hur Of Decision 3:00 p.m.—Revival Hour 4:00 p.m.—Concert Of Europe 4:30 p.m.—Greatest Story Ever Told 5:00 p.m.—Drew Pearson 5:15 p.m.—Monday Morning Headlines 5:30 p.m.-Winnipeg Concert 6:00 p.m.-Van Couver Symphony 6:30 p.m.—The Great Adventure 7:00 p.m.-Stop The Music 8:00 p.m.—Walter Winchell 8:15 p.m.—Jergens-Woodbury Journal 8:30 p.m.-Salute To Reservists 9:00 p.m.-Let's Be Healthy 9:15 p.m.—Gloria Parker 9:30 p.m.—Proudly We Hail 10:00 p.m.—B. Hare, News 10:15 p.m.—Thoughts In Passing 10:30 p.m.—Dance Orchestra 11:00 p.m.—Newstime 11:15 p.m.—Music By Lamplight 11:55 p.m.—News

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THE BRIDE AND GROOM—Here KMA announcer Leonard Carl gets a piece of wedding cake from his bride, Joanne, after the two were wed in a double ring ceremony in Muncie, Kansas several weeks ago. Leonard and Joanne were engaged more than a year ago, when Leonard was recalled to active service with the Army in the Far East. He was released from army service last August.

They live at 1119 West Sheridan Avenue in Shenandoah, in the same apartment which former KMA farm service director Mel Mains brought his bride to last summer before being called to military service in September.