Lawrence G. Sieber (First United Church)

hills of Bethle-

few shepherds hillside was attracted by a bush Moses' task was to build a peo- oil account . . all recurring with which appeared to be aflame. He ple together in freedom and endless regularity until we feel

God and find our night resound- the same rooms, the same faces, aflame with glory. Surely we the same concerns: rent to pay, can thank God again for this the grocer, the butcher ,the light great season of our faith.

before a shepherd world of ours needs to follow in common shepherd. So it was in Are we doing the same things he knew himself the ambasador year and the year before? Doing So began his discipleship. This

watching their said to himself: "I will now turn righteousness through law. Jesus like a horse in a treadmill forever That aside and see this great sight." add this more—grace and love, walking up hill but never reachunusual glory Moses in Median and the shep- So the bush has lost its glow in ing the top.

There and herds at Bethlehem, yes, and the brightness of a Star heralding Yet we can seek God and build about them and the Wise Men in the east saw the Day Spring from on High. . . His kingdom of peace and goodworld seemed full of something and turned aside to When Moses awoke that day it will in ourselves and then with y were afraid. But see God anew. They saw God as was just another day. From his others. The sheep that day saw age came to them: a deliverer of people. Through tent he looked over the familiar the bush aflame, but they didn't for behold I bring you Moses the Israelites were led out countryside. Yonder were the understand the Voice. The sheep igs of great joy which of Egypt. Through the Babe of sheep, so well known, so foolish saw the light that night near this year compared with 756 a to all people. For unto Bethlehem men are led out of and uninteresting. Perhaps he Bethlehem, but only the sheph this day . . . a Sav- evil . . . they are saved from saw through the haze the splen- herds heard and understood the dour of those days in Egypt and message. God has made us in There are 425 new members to emselves: "Let us now Now 2000 years later this through the bleating of the sheep his image with free will. "What Bethlehem and Christmas Eve we are bidden to heard the cry: "Bow the knee!" are we better than sheep or goats hing which is come to turn aside from our daily duties He thought of the wealth and that nourish a blind life within the Lord hath made and cares to realize all this power which was his, but now the brain ,if knowing God we city. afresh. How much this old he must lead stupid sheep as a lift not hands of prayer "

> of the Most High, the Deliverer them with the same lost thrill, Christmas Eve may seem like of People. The brightness and comparing ourselves with others, others, yet it does remind us glory of the bush and that ex- apparently, more fortunate? That that Christmas Day is different. perience was as the sun before way is the way of depression. And tomorrow is Christ's Birthwhose light the splendors of Sheep, sheep, rod and day and the Christian Sabbath. Egypt paled as a candle at noon- crook, the same hillsides, the Let us go even unto Bethlehem

> > ... and younder ...? But the eternal purpose of peace and love racks than to use a towel. crook became the sceptre and the for all. See again that the mansush the shrine of God. The ger led on to the giving of life weil-known hills of Bethlehem on the cross for us all. Those inand night skies became the fant hands will grow and mincathedral for heavenly choirs, ister unto others. That mind and and a common manger a cradle spirit will lead on a new way of for deity.

with his nets in preparation for the the happy morn!

through overcoming evil! As sometimes grow monotonous. Civic Centre Membership Hits common bush of daily experience same pleasures, the same places, All Time High In Current Year

> Civic Centre Membership Secretary Don Forward, presenting a detailed report on 1949-50 membership at the Civic Centre executive meeting neid this week, reported membership to date this year now stands at 1726 in comparison with last year's December 15 total of 1350 and the 1949 overall total

of 1515. On the basis of last year's throughout-the-year registration the membership committee anticipates that the 1950

year ago and 801 vouth members year's members have left the 20. Total 646.

A staff telephone drive for Total 436.

John tells us he met Jesus one Christmas is kept on the hills ay and from that time on life of home if we have eyes to see, hour"-a never-to-be-forgotten stand. The Saviour is born! time. One day Peter was busy Good Christian men awake, sal-

members held during the month of November netted 308 registrations and was a highlight of the membership drive.

Some interesting figures on membership participation were presented and an all-time high of 1494 participating members was reported as follows:

Sports-Basketball 289; Baddate signed up during the car- minton 280; boxing 37; wrestrent drive and nearly 150 of las ling 20; squash and handball

Rup-Rec Classes-Nine groups, Crafts - Leather, woodwork, weaving, beadwork, and sewing. 11 groups. Total 201.

Special Groups-Films, band, symphony, bridge clubs, Little Theatre, etc. Seven groups. Total 210.

CLEAN AND EASY If dishes and glassware have same watering places, the same and see this thing which is come been rinsed properly, it is more Life's common round does worn sandals same fold at night to pass . . . another step in God's sanitary to let them dry in



The second secon

May the joy and peace of Christmas

be with you through the New Year.

Greer & Bridden

Prince Rupert Daily News

Saturday, December 24, 1949

The Christmas Season is with us again and we wish to take the opportunity it offers

us to greet our many friends, and convey to them our sincere message of "Merry Christmas-Happy New Year"!

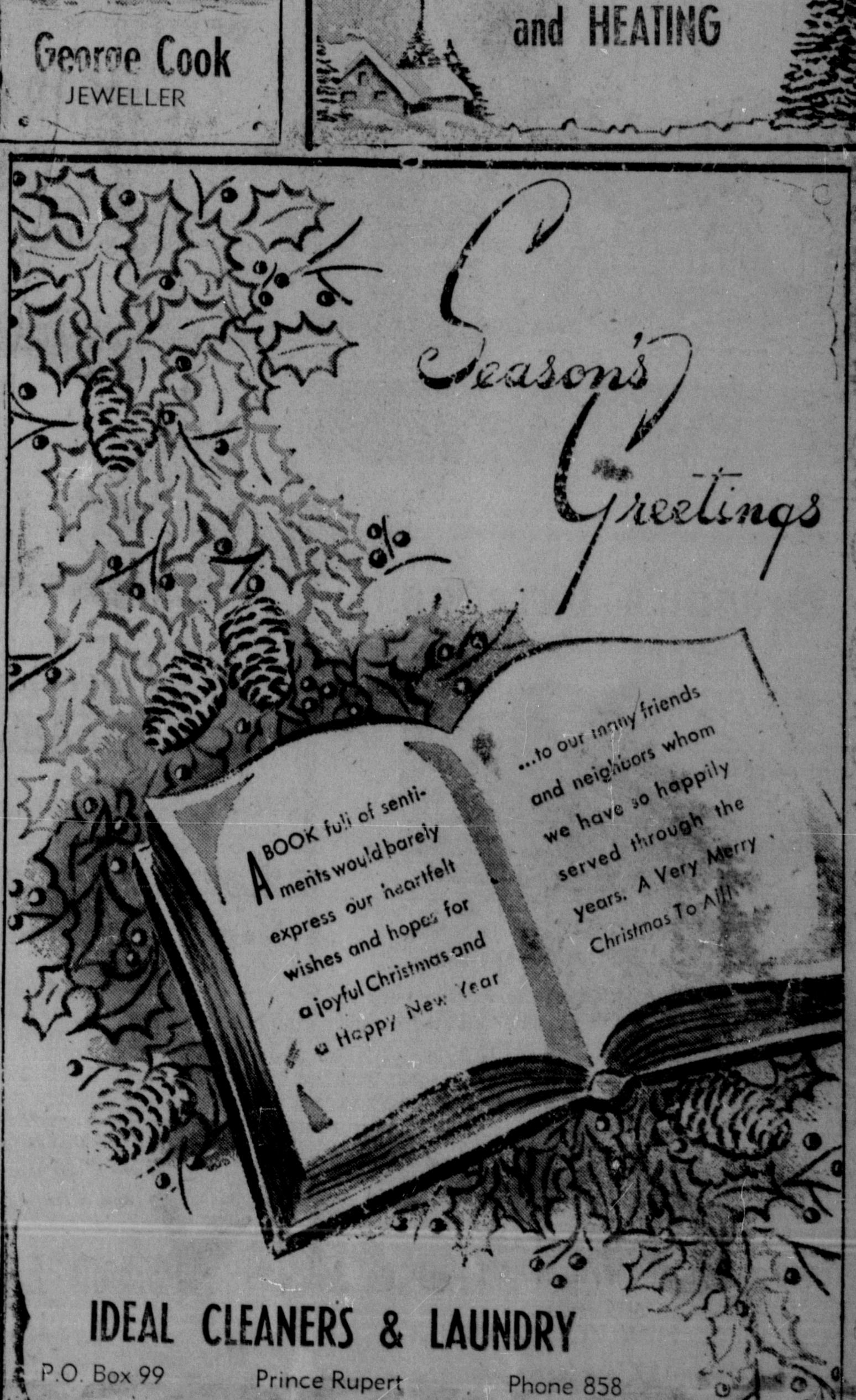
PLUMBING



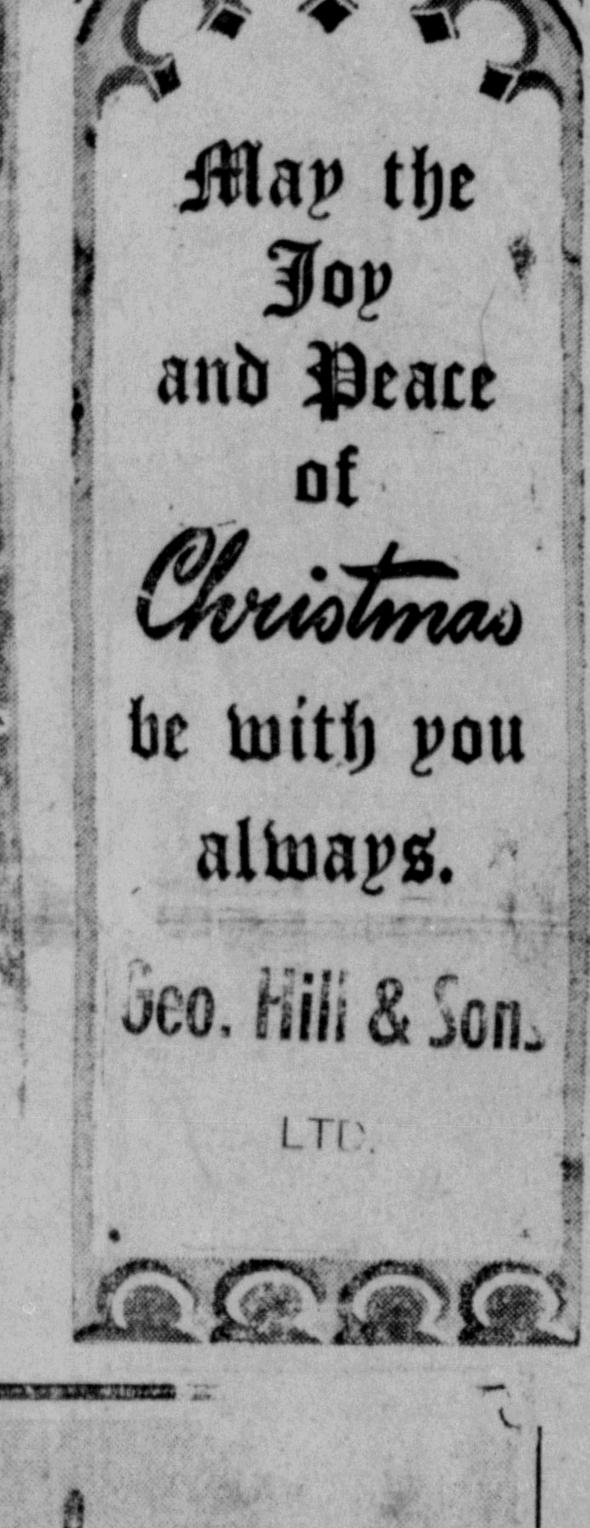


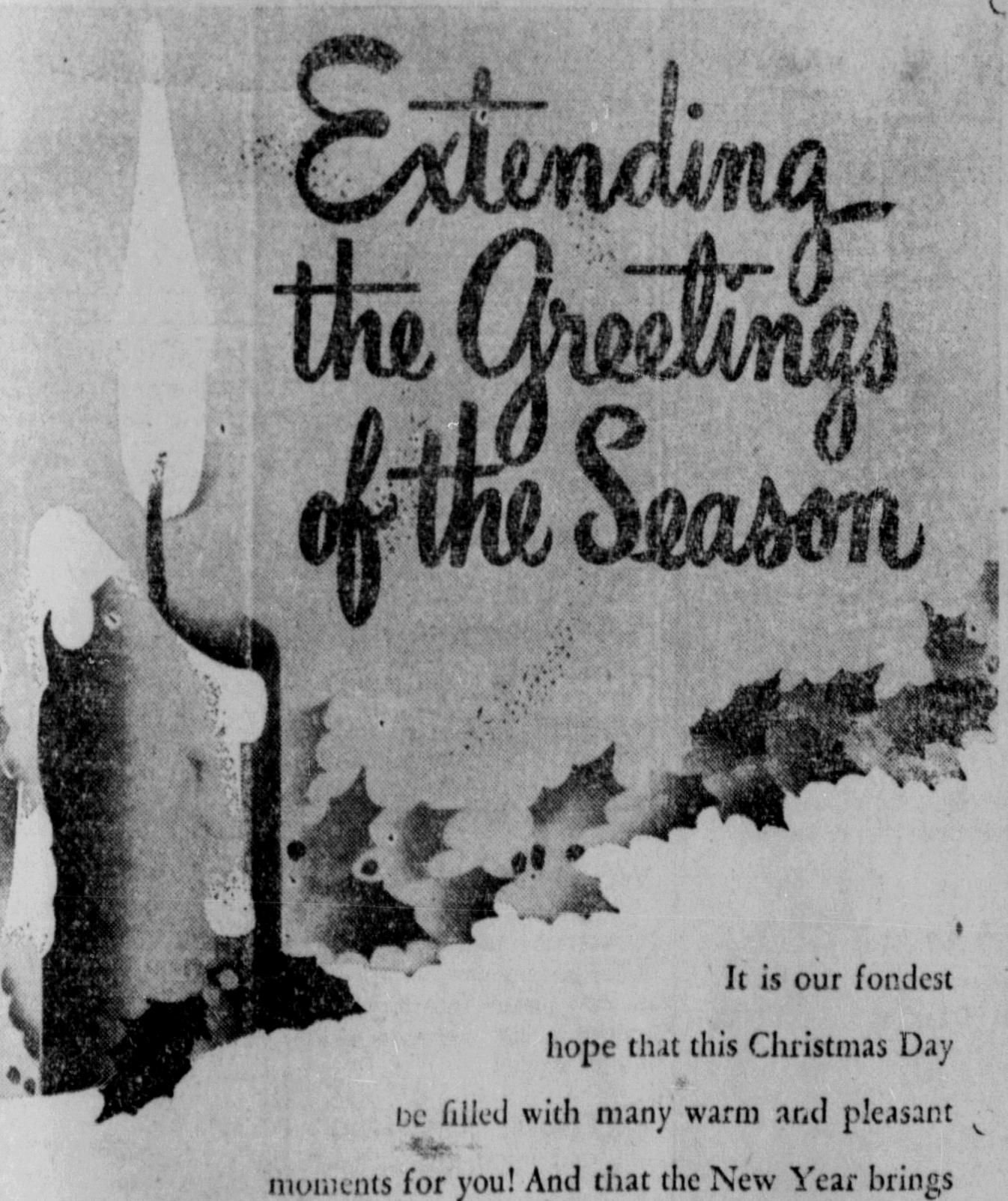
Variety Store











Fraser & Fayne.

have been extended to you in the spirit of the Holiday Season!

you the fulfillment of all the sincere wishes that