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----- MERRY CHRISTMAS -----

It came upon the midnight clear,  
That glorious song of old,  
From angels bending near the earth  
To touch their harps of gold;  
Peace on the earth, good will to men,  
From heav'n's all-gracious King;  
The world in solemn stillness lay  
To hear the angels sing.

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THE CHRISTMAS party held last Monday evening was a decided success and those in charge are to be congratulated. Supper was served at 5:30, followed by an entertainment given largely by the children. Recitations by John Parrott, Charlotte Stewart, Helen Rankin; a solo by Miss Lida Thatcher; and group carol singing constituted the greater share of the program which was completed as Santa Claus himself arrived. Santa remembered to bring with him many of the letters which the children had written and endeavored to check up in person the wants of many of those present. Over one hundred were present to aid in making the 1925 Christmas party a success. Mrs. F. C. Stewart and Mrs. F. E. Newton were in charge.

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MR. A. H. ROBERTSON has announced his resignation from the Station Staff to become connected with Vermont Agricultural Station in Burlington. "Robby" has been a member of the group so long and has won for himself so many friends that the Staff will regret to hear of his contemplated change. Mr. Robertson first came to the Station in 1920 and was employed as City Bacteriologist working in the Bacteriology Department, and one year later upon the resignation of Mr. Myron Finch was transferred to the Station Staff in 1921. His work during the last three years has dealt largely with market milk problems and he is well qualified to take over the work at the Vermont Station, which we understand has created the new position of Dairy Bacteriologist with funds secured under the Furnell Bill. His time will be given wholly to research. We regret seeing the Robertsons leave but we congratulate the University of Vermont upon their wise selection. The NEWS but voices the sentiment of their many friends in wishing them happiness and success in their new field.

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WORD has been received of the arrival of an eight pound son in the Bright home in Aurora, Ohio. Mr. Bright was connected with the Bacteriology Department from 1918 to 1921.

MISS RACHEL HAYNES leaves tonight for Springfield, Mass. to spend the Christmas recess. Miss Haynes will return to Geneva Jan. 15th, after spending two weeks in Dr. Mallory's Laboratory in Boston.

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FRIENDS of Prof. Stocking, formerly head of the dairy department at Cornell University will regret to learn of his serious illness. Little hope is extended for his recovery.

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MR. MUMFORD leaves Saturday evening for Kansas City, and Lincoln, Nebr., to attend meetings of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and also other special conferences. Drs. Breed, Conn, and Hucker will attend the meetings of the Society of American Bacteriologists in Madison, Wis., on December 29-30-31.

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FOR THE first time in many years the Biology Building was warm enough this morning for all the men to work without their overcoats.

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WORD has been received from Mr. Young formerly of the Chemistry Department that he is at present employed by a commercial firm in Seattle, Washington, as chief of the office force.

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DR. SHRINER leaves tonight for St. Louis to spend Christmas.

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THE ATTENTION of the various chess players of the Station is called to an article appearing in a recent New York Times that a player of that ancient and honorable game to be rated as at least second class should be able to see a mate after five moves. Certainly discouraging news for a beginner.

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WORD has been received from Mr. Gambrell of the sudden death of his uncle. Mr. Gambrell's many friends extend sympathy.

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MRS. HOAG experienced a painful accident last week when she was thrown from the step of the trolley when alighting on Castle Street. The conductor thru error allowed the car to proceed before Mrs. Hoag had stepped to the street and she was thrown striking her head and shoulders. Altho the accident is not serious, she will be confined to the house for several days.