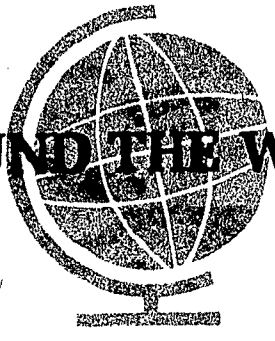


AROUND THE WORLD



German Clergymen Reject Privilege

Speyer, West Germany — (RNS) — The Synod of the Evangelical Church in the Palatinate, West Germany, has urged abolition of a section in the West German Conscription Law exempting clergymen automatically from military service.

A growing number of pastors and theology students in West Germany argue that revocation of the exempt status is necessary to give clergymen an opportunity to make a true conscientious decision — either to follow the draft call or to register as conscientious objectors. Moreover, they argue, everything should be avoided which would cause clergymen to be regarded as privileged members of society.

Food Agency Takes New Lease

Delhi — (RNS) — Action for Food Production (AFPRO), an agency sponsored by voluntary and religious organizations, has announced here that funds have been pledged to continue its activities in India for the next three years.

In the two and a half years of its existence, AFPRO has spent \$2.3 million on 45 projects intended to increase food production in India.

Member organizations include Catholic Charities of India and Catholic Relief Services, U.S.

Pakistani Bishops Have N.D. Degrees

Dacca, East Pakistan — (RNS) — Two native priests, graduates of Notre Dame University in the U.S., are the first Pakistanis to head dioceses here.

Pope Paul VI named Bishop Joachim J. Rozario to head the Diocese of Chittagong and Bishop Michael M. Rozario to head the Diocese of Dinajpur. They are not related, but both are from the missionary parish of St. Joseph in the village of Solepore.

Joachim Rozario became a member of the Holy Cross Fathers and attended Notre Dame in the U.S., receiving his bachelor's degree there in 1958. Michael Rozario was ordained for the archdiocese of Dacca and graduated from Notre Dame in 1953.

Key Leaders Vie For Bonn Presidency

Bonn — (RNS) — The next president of West Germany most likely will be a prominent Protestant layman, either Defense Minister Gerhard Schroeder, nominee of the Christian Democrats, or former Justice Minister Dr. Gustav Heinemann, of the Social Democrats.

Many Free Democratic delegates are believed to favor Dr. Heinemann, a prominent leader of the Evangelical Church in Germany.

The outgoing president, Dr. Heinrich Lübke, is a Catholic.

Holy See Organizing Theology Commission

Vatican City — (NC) — The Holy See is proceeding with the creation of the international theological commission proposed last autumn by the Synod of Bishops.

The Synod of Bishops proposed by an overwhelming vote the creation of a commission of theologians of diverse schools "whose duty it will be, acting with all lawful academic freedom, to assist the Holy See and especially the Sacred Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, principally in connection with questions of greater importance."

There had been increasingly vocal criticism of the Vatican "failure" to implement this proposal. It was argued that tension between the Holy See and various celebrated theologians such as Belgian-born Dominican Father Edward Schillebeeckx and Swiss-born Father Hans Küng might have been avoided if these men had been able to discuss the Holy See's objections with a group of their academic peers acting in the Holy See's behalf.

It was widely believed that a principal difficulty inherent in the organization of the theological commission was the apparent overlapping of competencies between the commission and the Doctrinal Congregation. But the secretary general of the synod, Bishop Ladislav Rubin, said that the difficulties were of various kinds, including the choice of theologians genuinely representative of various regions.

Saigon Honors CRS Official

Saigon — (NC) — In a ceremony at Independence Palace here President Nguyen van Thieu awarded Vietnam's second highest national decoration to Msgr. Joseph J. Harnett of the U.S. Catholic Relief Services (CRS) for his work for Vietnamese refugees since 1954.

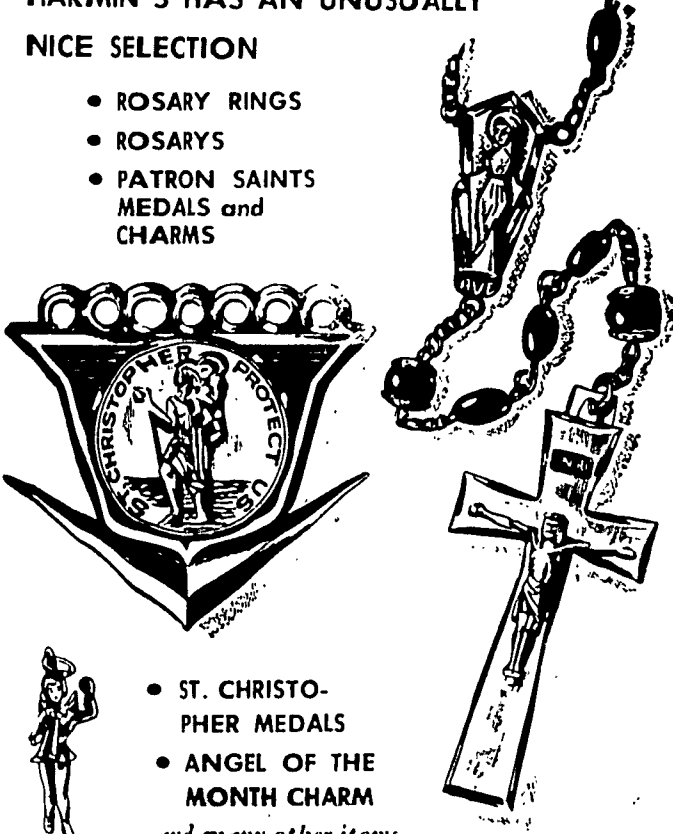
The highest national decoration is given only to chiefs of state.

Religious Gifts

are thoughtful gifts . . .

HARMIN'S HAS AN UNUSUALLY NICE SELECTION

- ROSARY RINGS
- ROSARIES
- PATRON SAINTS MEDALS and CHARMS



- ST. CHRISTOPHER MEDALS
 - ANGEL OF THE MONTH CHARM
- and many other items

Budget Accounts Invited



Open Every Night 'til 9 — 'til Christmas

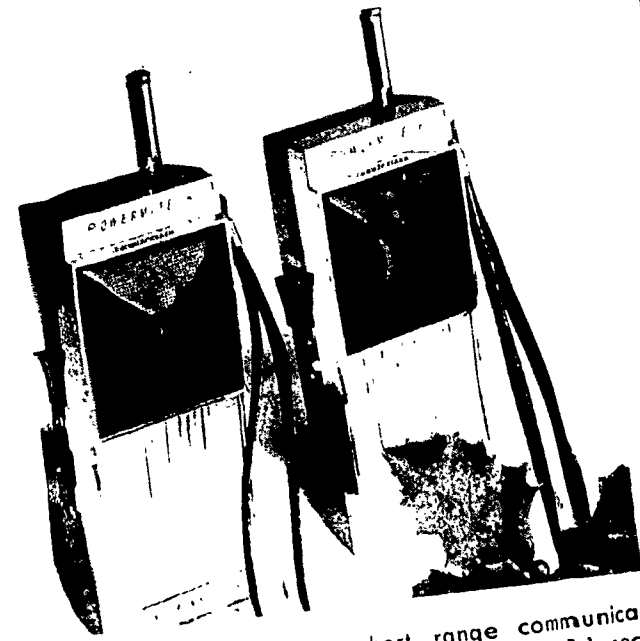
MERRY CHRISTMAS
McCurdy's

ACTION PACKED TOYS
AT NEVER LOWER PRICES

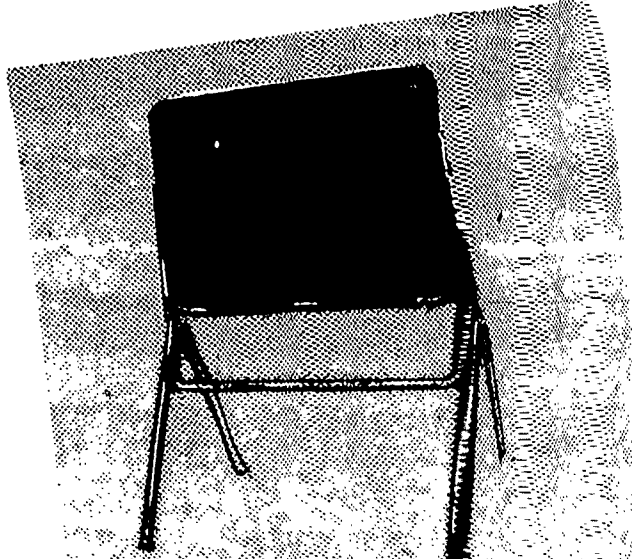
These are the toys they'll want, and these are the prices you'll want to pay. McCurdy's will not be knowingly undersold on these toys. Your savings only begin here.



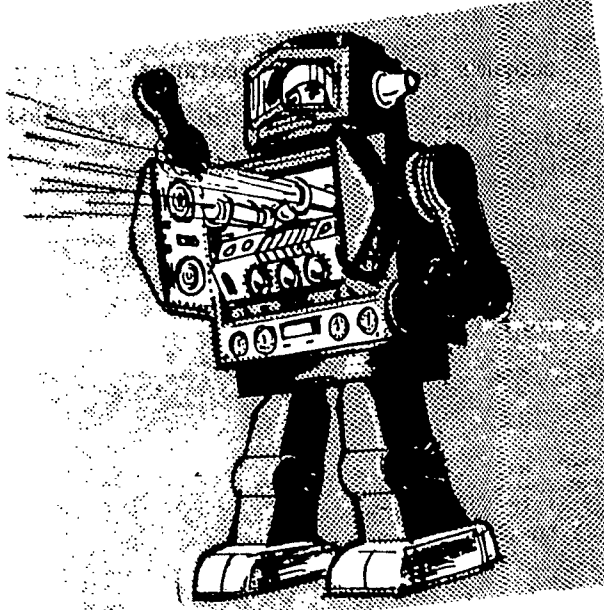
A. Baby Grow-A-Tooth—She wiggles her arms . . . her eyes open . . . she sits up in her crib and plays with her cradle toy. Give her a pacifier—she grows a tooth.



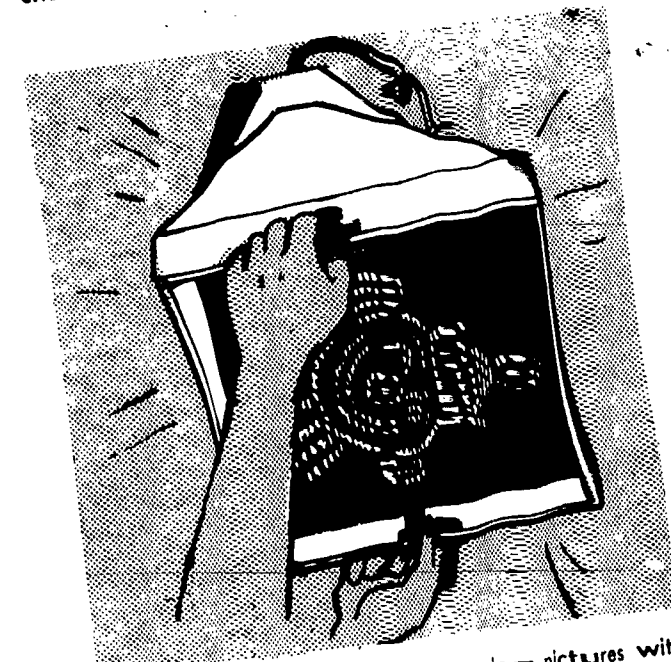
B. Walkie Talkie—For short range communication. Transceiver with volume control has 11 section telescopic antenna and carrying handle.



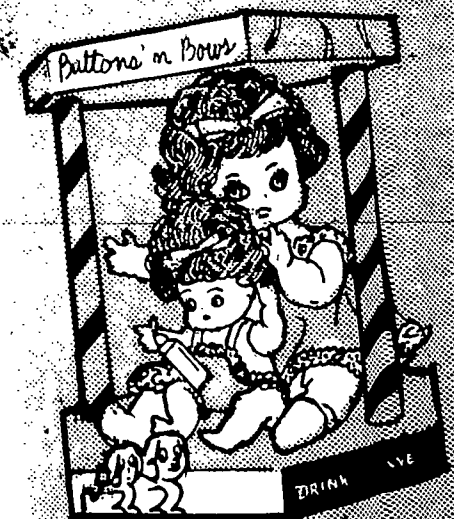
C. Movie Screen/Chalk Board—Strong durable resistant board. One side has reflective white screen; the other a chalk board with erasers and chalk.



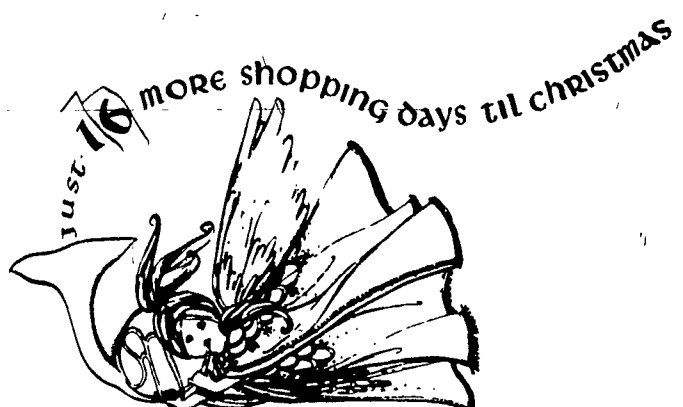
D. Rotato-O-Matic Super Astronaut—With automatic action stop and go, swing open doors, blinking and shooting gun, shooting noise, rotating body.



E. Lite-Brite—Create beautiful glow pictures with LIGHT. Put in the picture outlines in set color glow pegs, and watch them light up hundreds of pegs.



F. Buttons & Bows Dolls — Double fun with two drink and wet dolls. Buttons has closing eyes. Both have rooted hair, lace trimmed dresses, bottles, hair bows.



MCCURDY'S TOYS, THIRD FLOOR, MIDTOWN also at NORTHGATE and GENEVA

Shop all three McCurdy stores, Monday through Saturday, 9:30 'til 9. Please give your Charge Card Account number when ordering by mail or phone.

Due Process Urged by At State C

Brooklyn — (RNS) — Representatives of Roman Catholic priests throughout the State of New York approved a resolution here calling for the institution of "the American code of due process of law" in administrative and judicial procedures of the Church.

Delegates at the first convention of New York State Priest Councils also suggested that priests and the laity should have a voice in the selection of bishops, that minimum standards should be established for the clergy and that other than seniority should be considered in promoting a priest to the pastorate. In some New York dioceses, under the seniority system, a priest may wait more than 25 years to become a pastor.

Among the panelists were two representatives of priests of the Rochester diocese: Msgr. George C. pastor of Holy Family Church, Rochester, and Father P.

INTERRA

Briton's

London — (RNS) — here raised sharp criticism of Parliament's suggestion returned to their home.

Enoch Powell, that without such have "many Wash U.S. capital which

The Catholic "Enoch Black Thou voltage emotion greatest possible di to a problem which people's faith and

The Baptist T racist one, differi Nazis and their sol

Negro Heads

Washington, D Negro priest has be race and poverty ag olic Conference.

Appointment S.V.D., as executi Force on Urban Pr op Joseph L. Berna

The task force, partment of Social national coordinati in race and poverty

Currently assi ern Province of the Bay St. Louis, Miss in 1962. The Green ters degree in educ sity of America, ar work at the Univers

1978 Wh

The whiskey of the fu will taste light. Yet fla Mixable. But the taste won't get drowned by That's a lot to ask for, but it's just what you when you ask for Car Tomorrow's whiskey. Ten years ahead of th Yours to enjoy today. And tomorrow. And tomorrow. And tomorrow.

Carstai is ten ye ahead c

Smirnoff

Smirnoff makes the party come alive. Talented Smirnoff. It bedazzles orange juice. Snaps up holiday punch. Adds brilliant sparkle to whatever's good to drink. That's why the choicest holiday parties come in Smirnoff packages.

Smirnoff Vodka leaves you breathless.