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stuffs in trees during the night so they could be out of the reach of prowling animals.

Later pictures or replicas of foodstuffs such as ham and bacon were used as substitutes for the real items in order that they could be held by slender tree branches.

Cookies were soon added to the trees in the shape of flowers, bells, stars, angels, hearts and animals.

Then came the wax candles, ribbons, a star for the top, nuts, fruits covered with bright-color paper, dolls and glittering strings of beads, and other ornaments.

Before the introduction of electric lights, wax candles caused serious fire hazards in most homes. For this reason, candles were only placed on the Christmas tree for a few hours during the holiday season.

Christmas tree traditions are as

varied as the different ornaments on the tree.

An old custom in Scandanavia in families with children was for the parents to decorate the trees in secret Christmas Eve. Then the doors of the parlor would dramatically open and the children would rush in to gaze at all the Christmas joys.

It is always anti-climatic to take a Christmas tree down and then sorrowfully haul it away. The Victorians had a solution to that.

The sweetmeat and fruits remained on the tree until Twelfth Night when it was taken down. Then all of the children joined in and joyfully munched on the pleasures of Christmas.

This made what is today a sad event, something which children could joyfully anticipate.

—NICK SHARKEY



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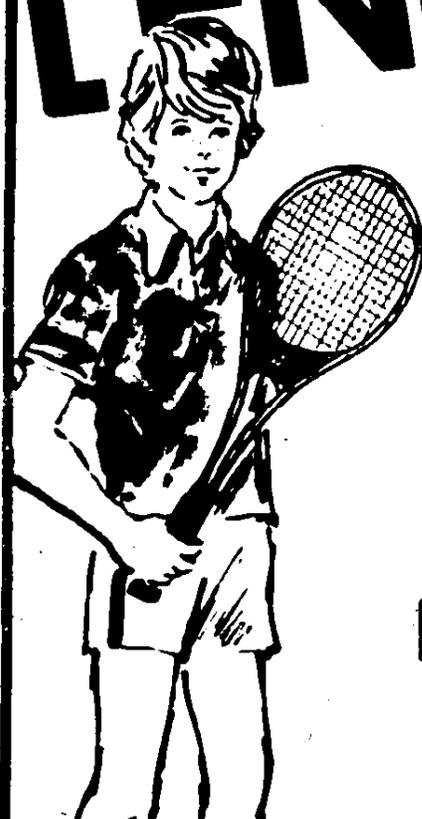
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