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Dr. and Mrs. John Gratiot and their two children, John and Junia, motored to Yosemite Valley yesterday to enjoy the snow sports and the beauty of the valley in winter. Young John Robert Gratiot stayed at the Rancho Aguajito home of the Gratoits with his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sibley of Berkley, who are house guests there.

Dr. and Mrs. Gratiot entertained members of the family for Christmas dinner. Seated at the extra long table were Mrs. William Gratiot and he daughter and son-inlaw, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Anderson and Kemmie of Lafayette, who are her guests over the holiday season; Dr. and Mrs. Charles Gratiot with William, Charles, Jimmie, and Mary Ann; Dr. and Mrs. Talcott Bates and David and Seth Bates; Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Rhodes of the University of California at Berkeley and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sibley and Mr. Sibley's daughter, Miss Catherine Sibley of the University of Southern California. Mr. Sibley has just retired as secretary of the California Alumni Association.

The entire family spent Christmas Eve with Dr. and Mrs. Bates and Christmas morning festivities around the tree at the home of the mother of the Dr. Gratiot, Mrs. William Gratiot in Pacific Grove.

Christmas was a gay day at the Monte Vista Drive home of Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Gragg, when they entertained their family and friends at dinner with all the holiday decorations. Places were set for Mrs. Ross Sargent (aunt of the host), Mrs. Julia Breinig, Mrs. Stuart Weill, Mr. Wade Sargent, Mrs. Mildred Haskins of San Jose, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Norton of Honolulu (who have recently purchased a home at the Country Club) and Commander and Mrs. Reuban Konig of Carmel Highlands and their daughter, Nan.

The Costello family, James and Nancy, with their four children, Molly, Sing, Peter, and Julie, had a delightful time together in their Via Cimarron home. Peter Breinig was in San Francisco for the holiday and Jean Weill, who is attending school in San Francisco, came down Christmas night to visit with her mother, Mrs. Stuart Weill, for a few days.

The Carmel Martin family have enjoyed all the Christmas holiday, but most of all last night when they had their Christmas dinner in honor of their son, Stuart, who flew in on Monday night from Abilene, Texas, where he is with an oil company. Also present at the family dinner were Mrs. Ann Harrison, Miss Ann Martin, and Carmel and Douglas Martin. Mr. and Mrs. John Martin and their young daughter spent Christmas in San Jose.

Mrs. William A. Austin entertained a group of friends Thursday evening in her Country Club home in celebration if the holiday season. Joining her that evening and for Christmas Day dinner were her two sons, Atwood and William A. Austin Jr., and their families. Mr. and Mrs. Atwood Austin and their two sons and a daughter are from Piedmont but spend much time in the Pebble Beach home, Mr. and Mrs. William A. Austin Jr. Are residents of Oakland.

Mrs. Alice Sumner Penha is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sumner Greene, in Carmel.

Miss Anna Teressa Hudson is visiting her father, W. G. Hudson, during the vacation from her school in Santa Barbara.

Charles Kiernan spent Christmas Day in the hospital recovering from an appendicitis operation. He is now at the home of his mother, Mrs. Charles Kiernan, on Monroe street.