

SERVICE CLUBS WILL PLAY SANTA CLAUS

KIWANIS AND ROTARY CLUBS WILL DISTRIBUTE CHRISTMAS CHEER THIS YEAR.

As is the annual custom, the Kiwanis club of Plymouth will be Santa Claus to the less fortunate youngsters of this community in their "Every Kid's Happy" program.

Santa Claus will be on the streets in person Monday afternoon and evening and help the Kiwanians spread cheer and happiness around town, by distributing a bounteous supply of toys, candy and necessities to all needy and worthy places.

Headquarters have been opened in the old telephone exchange building on Penniman avenue through the courtesy of the owner, E. C. Hough. Here you will find Kiwanians present Saturday and Monday, and if you know of some worthy family needing a cheerful spirit, kindly get in touch with them. Also any clothing you may have cast off or out-grown, bring it to the headquarters and the committee will see that it goes where best needed.

The committee in charge is R. O. Mimmack, chairman; Dewey Holloway, William Pez, Henry Ray, Dr. Peck and W. J. Burrows. A call to any one of these men will bring results.

The Plymouth Rotary club will play Santa Claus this year in helping to make a Merry Christmas for every needy family in Plymouth. The arrangements are in charge of the community service committee, composed of Cass Hough, chairman; A. J. Koenig and Dr. B. E. Cooper. This committee has been augmented by the appointment of the following additional assistants: W. T. Pettigill, Edward Gayde, Harry Lush, Mrs. F. J. Burrows, Mrs. W. T. Pettigill, Mrs. J. L. Johnson, Mrs. Cass Hough.

This committee already has a list of names of boys and girls and needy families who will be remembered on Christmas with baskets filled with those things that will help to make a Merry Christmas for them.

The Rotary club members have been creating a fund for this purpose during the past year and it has grown to goodly proportions, so the committee will be able to do a vast amount of good in this community at a time when it is most needed.

Plymouth Man Granted Pension

Frank Durham, of this place, has been granted a pension by the government for service in the regular United States Army. While a member of Troop B Sixth U. S. Cavalry, Mr. Durham took part in the campaign against the hostile Utes and was in an engagement at Blue Mountain, Utah on June 7, 1884. Mr. Durham saw twelve years of service in the regular army.

RICHARD VALENTINE ADDRESSES KIWANIS CLUB.

Under the chairmanship of Kiwanian Robert O. Mimmack, Richard F. Valentine addressed the local Kiwanis club at its regular luncheon meeting at the Mayflower hotel last Tuesday noon. Mr. Valentine announced his prospective departure from Plymouth in the near future and expressed his appreciation of the friendships enjoyed during his stay in our village. His address on "Modern Trends in Business" was one of the most scholarly heard by the club during the year, and displayed a mastery of the subject. Mr. Valentine is well versed in modern business ethics and economics and his views along the lines of modern problems were greatly enjoyed. Wherever he may go from Plymouth he can count on the undying regard of the Kiwanians from the little town back in Michigan where he spent a small portion of his life.

L. B. Stark Passes Away

L. B. Stark, a well known and highly respected citizen of this village, passed away at his home at Maple avenue Monday evening, Dec. 17, at the age of 62 years. Mr. Stark had been in failing health for some time and had been confined to bed for the past several weeks. He was the office of highway commissioner of Plymouth township for the past year.

Rotarians Hear State Landscape Specialist

O. I. GREGG TELLS INTERESTING STORY OF LANDSCAPE POSSIBILITIES.

The Plymouth Rotary club had the pleasure of hearing one of the best talks that has been heard by the club in some time, at the regular luncheon hour of the Rotarians last Friday, when they were privileged to hear O. I. Gregg, state landscape specialist of Michigan State College. The speaker was introduced by Rotarian Samuel Spicer. Mr. Gregg is well known in Plymouth and vicinity, as at one time he was agricultural agent of Wayne County.

Mr. Gregg's talk was in the nature of an illustrated story, by means of a cleverly arranged drawing in colors. The story deals with the possibilities of transforming dilapidated and run down farm homes and grounds into places of beauty and refinement. The picture first reveals an open field, then a rather shabby house is placed on the picture, together with corresponding farm buildings. Then the speaker related the story of how a young man and his wife purchased the property at a very low price and their hopes and ambitions to make a real home of the place as well as to increase the productivity of the soil.

With the clever arrangement of the various pieces, the house undergoes some modest, but pleasing changes that greatly enhances its appearance. Lawns and drives are laid out, trees and shrubbery planted in such a manner that the whole place is transformed into a splendid home, and all at no great outlay of money.

Mr. Gregg stated that his department is landscaping about 250 properties in the state every year, and the work is having a tendency to lead others to make these improvements, when they see the results that have been wrought in the home surroundings of others. Mr. Gregg's talk was greatly appreciated.

KIWANIS CLUB ENTERTAINS LADIES

WILL HOLD ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TREE FOR KIWANIS QUEENS AT HOTEL MAYFLOWER.

The regular Kiwanis noonday luncheon for Tuesday, December 25th, was advanced to this Friday evening so that the club could have the Kiwanis Queens at their annual Christmas tree and share in the festivities.

Following a delicious dinner served by the Mayflower Hotel, the club officers for the ensuing year will be installed. Santa Claus will be on hand to distribute presents from a heavily laden tree, that is to be a part of the decorations.

Each lady will be the recipient of two small gifts from the club and each Kiwanian will receive a present from some other member of the club.

A number of packages came into the possession of Pearly Deal and he will distribute them in a manner that will leave little doubt as to who are carrying horse shoes or a rabbit's foot. A generous distribution of balloons, hats and noise makers will add to the festivity of the evening.

Kiwanian Roy E. Crowe was chairman of the program.

Death of Charles Blaich

Charles Blaich was born in Onondaga county, New York, Nov. 24, 1860, and departed this life Dec. 11, 1928, at the age of 68 years and 16 days. He was the son of David and Fredricka Blaich and one of 11 children. He came to Michigan nearly 50 years ago, where he lived in Washtenaw county for the remainder of his life.

He was united in marriage to Mary E. Whittaker on April 13, 1887, and who departed this life July 9, 1926. To this union three children were born, a son, who died in infancy; a son, Carl, and daughter, Laura.

He leaves to mourn their loss a son, Carl, of Plymouth, and daughter, Laura, at home; four brothers, George, of Ann Arbor; William and Edward, of Cleveland, Ohio, and John, of Syracuse, N. Y., besides a large circle of relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held from his late home Thursday afternoon, Dec. 13, Rev. E. J. Anderson officiating. The interment took place at Lakeland's corner cemetery.

Santa and his Pack



SANTA CLAUS—of course there is a Santa Claus; a big, fat, good-natured Santa Claus, who brings the Christmas time and fills the world with joy; a Santa Claus who makes the earth ring with Christmas chimes and carols, who fills homes with the laughter of children and the hearts of men with the kindest thoughts of all the year. There is a Christmas spirit that comes to earth and makes men big and generous. It drives out the spirit of selfishness and greed and prompts men to nobler deeds. It prompts friendly acts and inspires helpfulness. It causes men and women to forget their sorrow; to cease their worrying and lift, in part, the burdens of their fellows. It is a spirit of good will. It wipes away tears and lightens grief; it helps the fallen to rise again; it puts courage into the heart of struggling humanity; it brings the impulse to forgive; it helps to bear heavy loads; it makes dark places lighter and helps to fill the world with happiness. That is the spirit that makes us send gifts to one another; that spirit is Santa Claus. WILLIAM L. GASTON

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Local Hockey Team Heads League List

The Plymouth hockey team will clash with the fast Bendix-Brakes team on Dec. 23, following the program at the Olympia. The Bendix-Brakes outfit is considered one of the best teams in the league and a hard one to beat. The local team has made a good start, as shown by the league standing, published in last Sunday's News, and they are going into the game on the 23rd determined to hold the position which they now have, head of the list.

Plymouth fans should not fail to see this game, as it promises to be a fast and furious affair.

Following is the Detroit Municipal Hockey league standings and schedules as published in the Detroit News:

Table with 5 columns: Team, W, L, GF, GA, Pts. Rows include Plymouth, Galsworth-Palge, Union Plumber, and others.

Wilson Recreation, Haley A. C., Parke-Davis Schedule Second

Dec. 20—Barton Plumbers vs. Union Trust, Olympia, 10:15 p. m. Dec. 23—Bendix-Brakes vs. Plymouth, Olympia, 10:15 p. m. Dec. 30—Parke-Davis vs. Wilson Recreation, Olympia, 10:15 p. m. Jan. 10—Christ Church A. C. vs. Graham-Palge, Olympia, 10:15 p. m. Jan. 17—Haley A. C. vs. Pere Marquette, Olympia, 10:15 p. m.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Rosita Strouse was born at Rockwood, Mich., March 17, 1850, and had she lived until March 17 next she would have been 70 years of age. She is survived by four children, Arthur, of Lakeland, Ohio; Wilfred, of Alhambra, Calif.; Mabel, of Plymouth, and Ethel, of Detroit; also two brothers, Frank, also of Detroit, and Ray, of Grand Rapids, Mich., and a sister, Mrs. C. J. G. of Grand Rapids, Mich. There are also several nephews and one great-grandson.

FUNERAL OF RUSSELL SCHIFLE

Russell Irving Schifle was born in Plymouth, Michigan, March 16, 1920, and had lived the years of his brief life here. Since he was three years of age he had not enjoyed robust health. Everything which science and skill and love could suggest was done for him, but despite all his health did not improve and after a sickness of several weeks he died at the home of his parents Dec. 13, 1928.

He leaves to mourn their loss his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Schifle; one brother, Donald; one little sister, Corine, and a wide circle of other relatives, embracing his grandmother, four grandparents and many others, together with many friends, all of whom had learned to love him.

He was a great sufferer, but throughout his affliction he was cheerful to a marked degree.

The funeral took place from the family home on Francis street in Detroit at 3 p. m. Rev. W. W. Nisdel, of the First Presbyterian Church, officiating. Burial was in Lakeland cemetery.

Install Mechanical Bookkeeping Machine

BURROUGHS ADDING MACHINE CO. ARE INSTALLING ONE OF THESE WONDERFUL MACHINES FOR PLYMOUTH UNITED SAVINGS BANK.

A "mechanical bookkeeper" of the latest design is being installed by the Plymouth United Savings Bank as a means of bringing its savings department bookkeeping to a new degree of efficiency. C. A. Fisher, President of the bank, stated today.

This new machine, which is especially constructed for rapid posting of savings account ledgers, is the first of its kind to make an appearance in Plymouth. It was built by the Burroughs Adding Machine Company and is being installed here by H. W. Dickson, Burroughs representative.

President Fisher, commenting upon the operation of the new machine, said that while his bank had been using automatic bookkeeping machines since 1915, this one was the most completely automatic one that he had ever seen or heard about.

"Some of the things it does are almost hard to believe," Mr. Fisher said. "In the first place, it writes a journal sheet and posts a ledger card at the same time, both originals, not carbon copies. Most of the entries are made automatically without the operator having to do anything but set up the amounts on the keyboard. The machine automatically adds deposits, subtracts withdrawals, and extends a new balance on every account.

"Then just as a side line, the machine proves the accuracy of its own work. In fact, if an error is made by the operator, the machine locks automatically as a warning. The new machine might almost be called a mechanical bookkeeper, except that it does things that the old-time pen-and-ink bookkeeper couldn't begin to do."

MASONS HELD ANNUAL DINNER AND ELECTION

MASONIC TEMPLE AT NORTHVILLE IS SCENE OF GAY PARTY.

At 6:30 o'clock Wednesday evening, December 12th, the members of Union Chapter No. 55 held their annual supper in the dining room of the Masonic Temple at Northville. After the good dinner that the Royal Arch Masons are always noted for, the members retired to the lodge room where the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Leonard C. Eckberg, high priest; Waldo E. Elliott, king; Floyd A. Kehrl, scribe; Barton A. Wheeler, treasurer; Frederick A. Hedge, secretary; Roswell Tanager, captain of the host; Karl W. Hibner, principal sojourner; William C. Way, Royal Arch captain; Joseph Hummel, Master of the third veil; Sterling Eaton, Master of the second veil; A. W. Ackerman, Master of the first veil; Dean Griswold, sentinel.

The chapter under the able leadership of Roswell Tanager has had a very successful year and much credit is due him for the growth of the chapter. One thing very noticeable is the fact that the attendance holds up, and all Royal Arch Masons of Plymouth are sure missing some good times if they fail to attend.

The annual meeting and banquet of the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce was held at the Hotel Mayflower crystal dining room, Tuesday evening, with but a small number of the members present. Those present, however, enjoyed a splendid roast duck dinner with all the trimmings.

Following the dinner, the treasurer's report was read and which shows a substantial balance in the treasury. President Horton then spoke briefly on the things the Chamber had accomplished during the past year, and stated that while no great projects had been undertaken, yet many matters pertaining to the welfare of the village had been successfully carried out.

The small attendance at the meeting, due no doubt to the fact that this is a busy season for the business men, brought about the discussion of changing the date of the annual meeting to some time in January, when there would no doubt be a large attendance. A resolution to this effect was offered to amend the charter to conform with this change of time for holding the annual meeting. The amendment was carried unanimously.

Owing to the small number of members present it was decided to put over the election of officers until a date, to be decided upon during the third week of next January. The matter of securing a paid secretary was also discussed and met with much favor.

POSTOFFICE EMPLOYEES ENJOY CHRISTMAS PARTY.

The local postoffice force, city and rural carriers and their families held their annual Christmas party at the postoffice building last Saturday evening. A pot-luck luncheon was served, after which there was a Christmas tree from which Santa Claus distributed gifts to all those present. It was a most enjoyable occasion for everybody.

BUILDING NEW GARAGE.

Walter Bronson has commenced the erection of a large new garage in the rear of the Mail office. It will be of brick and steel construction and will be modern in every particular.

D. A. R. CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON HELD

HONORING MRS. HENRY BORNE JOY, VICE-PRESIDENT GENERAL OF THE NATIONAL D. A. R.

A very pretty luncheon was held in the Crystal dining room of the Hotel Mayflower at 1 o'clock Monday, Dec. 17. It was sponsored by the Sarah Ann Cochran chapter of the D. A. R., honoring their guest, Mrs. Henry Borne Joy, of Detroit, who is one of the vice-president generals of the national society. Upon entering the dining room one was impressed with the festive air of Yuletide created by the table decorations, which were little Jerusalem cherry trees in the midst of holly and green foliage, with the addition of red tapers lighted on the speakers' table. At the speakers' table sat Mrs. Joy, Mrs. Beatley Green, regent of the Louise St. Claire chapter of Detroit; Mrs. F. Howard Smith, regent of the Ezra Parker chapter of Royal Oak; Mrs. Frederick Lendrum, regent of our Sarah Ann Cochran chapter, and Mrs. Dwight T. Randall, vice-regent of the local chapter and chairman of the program committee.

After a delicious luncheon Mrs. Lendrum opened the meeting with a few words of greeting to the chapter and their guests; then the regular business meeting was dispensed with, and Mrs. Randall took charge of the program. The first number delighted everyone present as Master Robert Champe, accompanied by his mother on the piano, sang two pretty Christmas songs.

Mrs. Joy was then introduced and her address was very interesting, touching upon the events of the last continental congress held in Washington, which is the thirty-first congress she has attended, and other phases of the D. A. R. work which were nearest her heart. Before finishing Mrs. Joy presented "Sarah Ann" with a medal depicting the laying of the cornerstone of Constitutional hall, the new D. A. R. building in Washington. This medal was a birthday present to our chapter, which was two years old on that day.

Mrs. Green, of the Louise St. Claire chapter, then spoke a few words, followed by an interesting and amusing little talk by Mrs. Smith, of Royal Oak. The high school girls' double quartet, accompanied by Miss Elizabeth Strong, sang two lovely Christmas selections after the speakers were finished, which were very greatly appreciated.

The Christmas luncheon then was over, and because it was so successful the chapter feels that the credit due is to Mrs. Lendrum, our staunch regent, and to our capable chairman of the program and social committee, Mrs. D. T. Randall, Mrs. R. E. Cooper, and their respective committees.

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The Christmas Spirit

Hearts of young and old again feel that mysterious something we have come to know as "the spirit of Christmas." There's a happier smile on every face, a friendlier hand-shake and a more cheerful greeting as we meet. There seems to be a closer bond of brotherly love settling down over all the earth. It is "the spirit of Christmas."

To those of us able to look back over many milestones passed along life's highway it brings joy and contentment, and memories of other days when Santa Claus was our patron saint and every Christmas morn was like the dawning of a new paradise on earth. It takes us back to childish dreams and wonderment. It softens our hearts toward all humanity, and brings a kindlier feeling toward neighbors and friends. To us it has a far deeper meaning than the mere giving of gifts. Christmas for us is the happiest time of all the year because it enables us to see the happiness that exists in other hearts and the love we have for one another as members of one big family, all striving for the same end—the peace and happiness of the whole world.

Here on the eve of another Christmas we find our joy in the childish prattle of little ones who have yet to reach the rough places along life's road. We hear their laughter and their shouts of joy, we see the excited surprise that comes into their eyes as they view with amazement the simplest of toys. Their happiness is contagious, because it brings back memories that come at no other season of the year and we join in the spirit of Christmas with them and feel again the thrill that we knew, too, in the years gone by when we saw beauty in every trinket and love in every little gift. We live our youth again in the spirit of Christmas, and it lightens the load we must take up anew, to carry on to another milestone, when this year melts into time.

Ours is a happy Christmas because it brings so much happiness to those about us. Its arrival means more than a season of gift-making—means a season when everyone in Plymouth leans closer to each other in love and sacrifice than at any other time of year. It means a deeper love in the hearts of everyone in this community for everyone who claims it as his home. And we know that such kindly feelings cannot disappear overnight, but that the love and well-wishes we have for each other now must continue to abide in the community throughout the years to come.

The spirit of Christmas is here. May it find you and yours happy and comfortable and contented. May it bring forth from your heart a love for your fellowman that will be in evidence long after the holiday has passed and into the days of sterner duty, when we need this same spirit of Christmas to enlighten our ways.

THE NEIGHBORHOOD STORE

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advantages and can retain them, and even increase them. It can pay more attention to individual tastes and preferences; it can play a part in building up the neighborhood, and it can carry a wider stock more freely and at less risk than the chain-store."

LET'S BE CAREFUL

There's always so much joy and happiness along about this season of the year that it is nothing short of a tragedy to have it marred by unnecessary accidents. Yet a glance at our exchanges indicates that more than the usual number of hunting fatalities are being recorded. Most of the accidents in hunting are caused by carelessness in handling firearms. Hunters do not seem to realize that no matter how skillful they may be in the use of a gun, accidents can occur in the most unusual and unheard of ways, and no gun is a safe gun so long as there is a load in it. We have our share of misery around Plymouth in the course of a year. Let's not add to it during the Christmas season, or detract from the spirit of the occasion, by figuring in a mishap that could have been avoided by the use of a little care. Double your diligence—watch the loaded gun and the steering wheel. Let's go through Christmas without any hearts saddened by preventable accidents.

London's Shame.

In London recently eleven people were found living in one room, while below them were two families of ten persons each occupying two rooms.

PROBATE NOTICE

STATE OF MICHIGAN,
County of Wayne, ss.

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At a session of the Probate Court for said County of Wayne, held at the Probate Court Room in the City of Detroit, on the third day of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight.

Present HENRY S. HULBERT, Judge of Probate.
In the Matter of the Estate of MARY A. BRIGGS, Deceased.

Instruments in writing purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased having been delivered into this Court for probate.

It is ordered, That the eighth day of January, next at ten o'clock in the forenoon at said Court Room be appointed for proving said instruments.
And it is further Ordered, That a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said time of hearing, in the Plymouth Mail, a newspaper printed and circulating in said County of Wayne.

HENRY S. HULBERT,
Judge of Probate.

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**MUNICIPAL NOTES
BY THE MANAGER**

An ordinance was passed by the commission Monday evening which aims to control the stray dog nuisance in the village. It provides for the licensing of all dogs owned in the village and for the impounding and killing of all dogs not licensed. It also regulates the running at large of dogs in the village, and prohibits the harboring of a noisy or vicious dog, under penalty. The ordinance becomes effective Feb. 1.

Rails made of iron piping have been placed at each side of the steps leading down from the elevated sidewalk at the corner of South Main street and Ann Arbor street for the safety of the public in slippery weather. A number of people have suffered serious falls upon these steps when covered with ice, and it is hoped that the rails will serve to prevent accidents of this kind in the future.

An ordinance aiming to license peddlers selling merchandise as foodstuffs from door to door in the village, and strictly regulating their selling of products, was given its first and second reading at the last meeting of the commission. It will be up for final consideration and passage in about a month.

NEWBURG

Merry Christmas to all. Rev. Johnson gave the children a fine, short sermon on "The Holy Grail" Sunday. The choir, under the leadership of Newton Youngs, rendered some excellent music.

There will be preaching service next Sunday at 11 a. m. Sunday school will be omitted. Christmas tree and white gift offerings and program will be given Sunday evening.

The S. S. Christmas party will be given in the L. A. S. hall this Saturday evening. Everyone is most cordially invited to attend these services.

The one-act religious play, "Mansions," given by three students of the Y. of M. Sunday evening drew out quite a crowd, all acting their parts in a creditable manner. They were entertained at supper by the center family. James McNabb took them back to Ann Arbor.

Mrs. William Johnson, Louise Gency and Lydia Joy were presented by the pastor with certificates which they won by attending the Sunday School Teachers' Training school at Ypsilanti.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Armstrong and family, of Strathmoor, called at the Ryder home Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Holsington, of Detroit, are keeping house for Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Gunsolly during their absence in California.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Ryder called on Mrs. Barnes, of South Lyon, last Wednesday, finding her very poorly.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Grimm and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Streb in Detroit Wednesday evening.

NEWBURG SCHOOL NOTES.

By Clarence Levandowski.

At the regular P. T. A. meeting held at the school house last Friday night it was decided to have a real old-fashioned bazaar, and the following members were placed in charge of the various committees: Mrs. James Bassett, chairman of all committees; Mrs. Fred Schmidt, fancy work committee; Maude Harrison, entertainment committee; Mrs. Osten, eats committee; Alfred Rakevell, advertising committee; Henry Schmidt, shiek's gallery committee; Viola Hargrave, candy committee; Mrs. Wilson, baked goods committee. This bazaar will be held about the last of January. Let's make it a real success. Watch for the date.

A Christmas program consisting of the history and singing of the Christmas carols will be given at the school Friday evening, Dec. 21. Everybody is invited.

A pedro party was given at the school last Friday night. The community was well represented. We hope the P. T. A. will continue growing. The proceeds of the pedro party are to be used to buy candy for the children for Christmas.

Geraldine, Ruth and Doris Schmidt are absent because of illness. We are glad to have Marvin

Schmidt back to school from his week of illness.

Miss Reid visited our school Monday and weighed the children for the month of December. Miss Reid presented the winner of the dental clinic the records they earned. The intermediate room received "The Song of the Volga Boatmen," the primary room "Song for Children," the grammar room "Hallelujah Chorus" by Mandel, sung by the Trinity choir.

SALEM

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Kincaid, of Plymouth, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Bennett.

A birthday surprise was given Monday evening at the Henry Whittaker home in honor of him. Refreshments were served and all enjoyed a very pleasant evening.

Mrs. Mary Duke is some improved from her recent illness.

The Federated church has just recently been cleaned, newly carpeted and woodwork and furniture varnished, which adds much to the looks of the interior.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Read, of Rushton, spent Thursday with Mrs. Sarah Stanbro.

A fine Christmas program and exercises are being prepared by the Federated church Sunday school, which will be held Saturday, Dec. 22. There will be a pageant by the young people's class, recitations and exercises by the smaller classes and a Christmas tree, with candy, etc., and gifts especially for the children. Everyone is invited to come and have a pleasant evening with us.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Green and family and Miss Irene Bennett, of Northville, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Bennett.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Herrick were Sunday visitors of her mother at the Wm. McCullough home.

Mrs. H. Whittaker spent Friday at the home of her son, C. Crockett, of Howell.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Burnham and daughter were in Detroit Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Youngs and Mrs. Sarah Stanbro were Ann Arbor shoppers Wednesday.

Rev. J. J. Halliday was in Lansing Friday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Whittaker were Sunday guests at the Glenn Whittaker home.

Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Renwick and son, of South Lyon, were Sunday visitors of her parents. Week-end guests were the Misses Ruth and Dorothy Foreman, of Detroit.

STARK SCHOOL NOTES.

The Stark school will have their Christmas program and tree this Friday night. They are preparing a fine entertainment and, of course Santa will be there looking for all the good boys and girls.

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Since there are a number of rather common misconceptions concerning diphtheria protection, it would seem wise to clearly state a few of the more important things we should know concerning it.

1. Toxin-antitoxin is used to give long time, for all practical purposes permanent, protection against diphtheria. It is safe, harmless and does result in a high degree of protection against diphtheria.

Toxin-antitoxin does not give immediate protection. It takes from eight weeks to six months before protection is fully developed. The toxin-antitoxin treatments consist of three doses, the doses being given one week apart. Approximately 80 per cent of the children given this course of treatment are rendered immune within six months, the remaining 20 per cent will need a second series of treatments.

3. The Schick test is a scientific means of determining whether or not protection against diphtheria exists. It does not itself give any protection whatsoever. It should be given to all children six months after toxin-antitoxin has been given. This is particularly important because, as we said, approximately 20 per cent will need a second series of treatments before protection is obtained and the Schick test is the only means of determining which these children are.

4. Toxin-antitoxin should not be confused with antitoxin. Antitoxin is used for the cure of a case of diphtheria and for the protection of persons who have been definitely exposed to the disease. It gives only temporary protection for two or three weeks or at best a month; it is no good thereafter.

5. An attack of diphtheria does not insure against a second attack. Simply because you have had diphtheria is no assurance that you will not have it again. Many people have diphtheria more than once.

6. Toxin-antitoxin should be given to all children between six months and ten years of age and six months later a Schick test should be made.

If your child should contract diphtheria what excuse can you give for failing to have him protected against this unnecessary disease?

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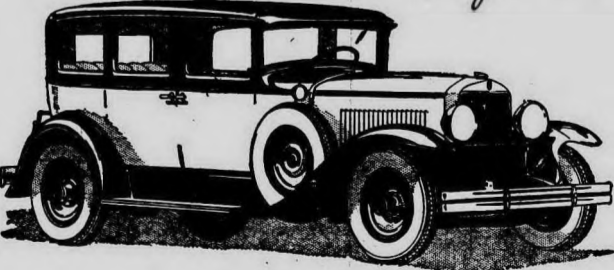
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CHRISTMAS IN THE CHURCHES

CHRISTMAS WEEK SERVICES

Special Christmas week services will be held at the Plymouth Baptist Church Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings. In order to make



ROY L. BROWN

these as attractive and worthwhile as possible, we have secured the services of Roy L. Brown, a noted Bible teacher and lecturer.

His message is unique and very impressive, since he uses the chart method of teaching. This makes it equally attractive to all. Through this method of teaching he was able to build up the largest men's Bible class in Detroit.

Mr. Brown spent two weeks with the Baptist church last spring and in that time he made many friends who will welcome him next week. The church extends a cordial invitation to the public to meet with them.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM AT ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

The Children's Christmas Festival, of St. John's Episcopal Church School, will be held on St. John's Day, Thursday, December 27, at 7:30 p. m.

The Festival will begin with a brief service of praise, followed by a pageant of the Nativity, "The Manger-Throne." The pageant represents the vision of the Shepherds, their journey to Bethlehem, the arrival of the Wise Men of the east, and concludes with the adoration at the Manger-Throne of the King of kings. At intervals during the pageant, carols are to be sung by all present, so that the entire program is in the nature of worship.

Following the pageant-service there will be the usual tree with its attendant jollity. This program is for all members of the congregation, both young and old.

The most important service of the Christmas season, at St. John's Church will be the celebration of the Holy Communion on Christmas Day, at 10 a. m. There will also be a service of Holy Communion at 8 a. m. for those who find the later service inconvenient. All communicants of the church are expected to attend one of these two services. There will be no sermon so that neither service will be unduly long.

SERVICES FOR MIDNIGHT CHRISTMAS AT OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL CHURCH.

The services at midnight which will begin at 11:45 p. m. Monday night, will consist of a sacred concert preceding the midnight mass. This old-time custom has been made possible through the long weeks of practice by both the male and children's choirs, and through the generosity and kindness of Miss Gladys Schrader, who has procured four of the six instruments which will accompany the program.

A beautiful mass, La Mache's Mass, in honor of the blessed sacrament will be rendered in unison by the male choir, who with the children will sing the "Adeste Fideles" at the offertory.

The concert rendered by the children's choir will consist of many of those most loved and sacred hymns which portray the real, true spirit of "that December night." Among those hymns are "Holy Night, Silent Night," expressing the peace, calm and sacredness of Christmas night and the adoration of the child by the shepherds, "Angels We Have Heard on High," another number on the program, gives the spirit of the night, the joy and happiness with which men were filled and that beautiful and everlasting chorus sung by the angels, "Gloria in Excelsis Deo." The solemnity and sacredness of this most wonderful feast is brought out in "O, Holy Night."

Four of the little girls have been selected to sing "What Lovely Infant Can This Be?" This being one of the most beautiful of children's hymns, and accompanied by the violins, leaves a Yuletide impression, cherished in the hearts of all Christians. Other hymns, too, will add to the solemnity of the occasion.

We are quite sure this little program, together with the mass sung by the male choir, and accompanied by the violins, will be as much enjoyed by listeners as it will be by all those concerned.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH.

The Plymouth Baptist church will present the following program Christmas eve, Monday, December 24th at 7:30.

Selection—Orchestra.
Opening song.
Prayer and Scripture Reading by the pastor.

The first part of the program consisting of songs and recitations, has been given over to the Primary Department.

Song—By the schools.
Play—"The Lonely Maid"—Young People's Class.

Song—"Christmas Fairies"—six little girls.
Play—"The Toy Shop."

Orchestra selection.
Christmas Night—Nine Young lad-

Pantomime—Four young girls.
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M. E. S. S. CHRISTMAS PROGRAM.

Living Christmas tree.

Mrs. Burck's class.
Recitation—Dorothy Richards.
Recitation—William Guldner.

Song—Junior department.
Recitation—"At the Manger."
Exercise—Mrs. Magraw's class.

Recitation—Jeanette Sath.
Solo and chorus, "Angels Hover Night"—Berty Simpson.

Recitation—Idea Rathburn.
Exercise—Mrs. Wood's class.
Recitation—Arthur Guldner.

Solo and chorus—Iuth Hadley.
Recitation—"The Christmas Stock-

ing"—Florence Grey.
Song—Miss Curtis' class.
Recitation—Gene Hanst.

Recitation—James Honey, Jr.
Recitation—Bernice Guldner.
Monologue—Whona Kenter.

Recitation—Dewane Koenig.
Duet—Harvey and Virginia Shaw.
Recitation—Bruce Towle.

Recitation—Myrtle Low.
Exercise—Miss Sath's class.
Recitation—Katherine Schultz.

Recitation—Marvin Partridge.
Recitation—Thelma Guldner.
Recitation—"Our King's Birthday."

Pantomime—Junior department.

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Evening.
"Silent Night, Holy Night"
"Ring Out, Sweet Bells of Peace"

Plymouth High School Double Quartet.
Miss Gladys Schrader, accompanist.
Solo (selected)—Miss Marjory Pollock.

"Holy Art Thou" ... Handel
Miss Marjory Pollock, Mrs. Charles O. Ball, Calvin Whipple, Mr. Charles O. Ball.

Christmas Pageant—"Birth of Peace"
Solo—Charles S. Bley.

WATERFORD

Miss Kathryn Waterman attended a Christmas party given for her Sunday school class Friday evening at Mrs. Fred Wolfstrom's at Plymouth.

The Waterford Community Club pleasantly surprised Mrs. Ida Stevens and family Thursday evening, Dec. 13. Pot-luck supper was served and progressive pedro furnished entertainment for the evening. The next meeting is Dec. 27 and is a Christmas party. Everybody bring a 10 cent present for grab-bag at Mrs. Edward Watson's, Mrs. John Lang, Miss Juanita Lang, Mrs. Hazel Markham and Miss Edith Peck being on the refreshment committee.

Mrs. Ada Watson attended a "Lo Te On" meeting, which is a zone teachers' organization, at Edgewood school, near Ecorse road, last week Tuesday evening and spent the night with Miss Alta Fisher in Redford.

Mary Gotts is again on the sick list.

Arthur Gotts, Jr., is getting better.

Claude Waterman, who met with an accident and was taken to a hospital in Ann Arbor, has been brought home.

Edmond Watson attended the funeral of his niece, little Mary Barbara Joslin, in Detroit, Tuesday afternoon.

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"You loved him once and perhaps"—she bit her lip as she said under her breath, "no perhaps about it, I still do." Annoyed at having voiced a sentiment even to herself which she had been trying to stamp out of her very soul for two years, she turned from her reflection in her dressing table mirror and scouted herself near the window. Confusing? It was maddening. Conflicting emotions were aroused which refused to be put down even by Setha's usually intrepid, fine, buoyant spirit. It was the aftermath, the let-down reaction of the rush and tumble of Christmas.

"It was just fate that I should have been out both times when Livingston phoned. After two years! Now he surmises that this is a pretty little hoax set for him. But this letter is the most baffling of all. To think of a man having the presumption to ask you to attend with him a wedding of one of his friends when you hadn't corresponded, met or otherwise conversed after a break of two years' standing."

Setha gave a deep sigh and reread the postscript again for the forty-fourth time. "Setha, please arrange to meet me so that we may have about half an hour to, well, get acquainted again."

As Setha prepared to finish dressing she mused to herself that Livingston did presume a great deal in asking her to attend the wedding of one of his friends—and on Christmas day at that. The dress which had received so much favorable comment on its becomingness was instinctively selected and put on. How queer, thought Setha, when she bought that dress, the day after she had arrived home, in making the purchase she had said to herself, "wouldn't Livingston just adore that color?"

There was Livingston. She stopped and admired his immaculate trimness and fine physique before entering the room of the church house and revealing her presence. Livingston, however, felt her glance and turned quickly.

"Setha, how glad I am to see you. You did not let me know whether you would be here or not, and I was in hopes you would come. How lovely you look. Come in and sit down."

Setha could only beam and inarticu-



"Setha, How Glad I Am to See You," He Said.

lately murmur something or other about a long time.

"Livingston, you, too, are looking splendid. My curiosity must be abated at once. What about the wedding? Who is being married? You know I am frightfully behind in news after being away so long. Attending bridge parties is not conducive to picking up the lacking odd bits of gossip."

"To be very brief—I am going to take part, I hope."

Setha's well-controlled facial muscles could not help but show their shock. Why should he torture her like this? It was unbearable. After having adjusted her marble she said, "Why, Livingston, you are to be congratulated. I didn't know."

"No, of course you didn't. It is a wild venture on my part and may precipitate failure, but, I hope not. The facts of the matter are I have waited a long time, too long a time, for this day to come. Don't you think, Setha, we were very foolish to quarrel as we did? You were twenty-two and I not much more, and neither one of us would give in and admit his or her love. Isn't that about right?"

Setha only nodded, afraid to trust her voice. Was this all a bad dream? Would she at any minute take wings and fly from the room? She couldn't. Her feet seemed weighed to the floor. Livingston didn't care to fly away, he became more vivid and animated every minute.

"Setha, have you changed your mind about loving me? I love you more than anyone in the world. The world has been empty without you. Today is Christmas day. I want to have you for a Christmas present. Setha, the parson's waiting in the church auditorium for you to say 'yes.'"

As the door of the church auditorium leading from the church house softly closed, a young man proudly escorted his adored one to the parson at the altar.

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When Eyes Are Small.

Eleanor Gwyn, one of the most charming women of her day, and a favorite of King Charles II of England, had small eyes that were all but invisible when she laughed, and the wife of Moliere, the great French dramatist, had very small eyes, very full of fire and brilliant, said to be "the most appealing that one could find." Eyes that show white above the pupil are said to be restless and indicate lack of concentration.

A CARD—We wish to express our thanks to all those who were so kind in our recent sorrow; to all those who sent the beautiful flowers; to Dr. Lendrum for his kind words; and for the lovely singing; and to all who helped in any way.

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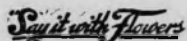
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Local News

Merry Christmas to all the readers of the Mail.

Mr. and Mrs. Hurt have moved from 230 Pearl street to their home on Welch avenue, Fordson.

Mrs. Clyde Peterson, of Flint, was a guest of Mrs. C. H. Ranch several days the latter part of last week.

Mrs. W. S. Jackson, of Sheridan avenue, who has been seriously ill with the flu, is recovering very nicely.

A dancing party will be given by the DeMolay chapter at the Masonic temple, Friday evening, December 28th.

Helen Jane Springer, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Springer, has been very ill this week with pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gale, of Ypsilanti, spent Saturday afternoon and evening with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Gale.

The O. E. S. had a dinner at the Masonic temple Tuesday evening, followed by the initiation of several candidates into the order.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lyke entertained a company of Plymouth and Northville friends at their home in that village last week Thursday evening.

Miss Hildur Carlson and Miss Cordie Strasen attended the annual Christmas concert given by the Detroit Symphony Choir, of which Miss Esther Strasen is a member.

Mrs. Ray Holcomb and daughter, Margaret, and Mrs. Audie Cranson attended a bridge luncheon given by Mrs. Scott Lovewell, Mrs. Sumner Power and Mrs. S. Curtis at Northville last Saturday.

Miss Gladys Peckham, director of home service work for the Central Public Service corporation, of which the Michigan Federated Utilities is a part, was in Plymouth Tuesday. Miss Peckham conducted a series of home service classes here for the local company about a year ago.

The Handicap Bridge club was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Roger Vaughn at their home on Edison avenue Monday evening.

Miss Ruth Shattuck pleasantly entertained a small company of friends at bridge at her home on Penniman avenue last Friday evening.

Miss Josephine Schmidt, who is a student at Western State Normal college, came home from Kalamazoo Thursday for her holidays.

The Misses Joy McNabb and Dorothea Lombard are home from Albion college to spend the holidays with their respective parents.

Mrs. Antie Cranson, who is spending the winter with Mrs. W. T. Pettingill, leaves today, Friday, for a visit with her sister, Mrs. Eugene Troost at Philadelphia, Pa.

Mrs. Linton Shawley, James Purdue and Mrs. Ruth E. Huston-Whipple attended the luncheon of the Detroit Speech Teachers' association at Webster hall in Detroit last Saturday.

The following students are home from Michigan State Normal at Ypsilanti for Christmas vacation: The Misses Grace Lee, Helen Gilbert, Hannah Strason, Naomi Huston, Dorothy Sly, Elizabeth Murray and Owen Durrigale.

Mr. and Mrs. William Reupert entertained the Lat-a-Lot 500 club last Friday evening. First prizes went to Elizabeth Smith and William Michel, while Mabel Fisher and George Gordon were consoled. Light refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Smith were pleasantly surprised Sunday, December 16, at 12:15, when a young lady, Susan Catherine weighing eight and one-quarter pounds, arrived at their home. Both mother and daughter are getting along nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Finn were given a surprise by about twenty relatives and friends last Saturday evening, the occasion being their tenth wedding anniversary. Bridge furnished the amusement of the evening, after which refreshments were served.

Rev. and Mrs. C. Strason, Miss Cordie Strason and Alfred Strason attended the concert given by the Ypsilanti Normal choir, under the direction of Frederick Alexander. Miss Hanna Strason is a member of the choir and also a pupil of Mr. Alexander's studying pipe organ music.

The following friends and relatives attended the funeral Saturday of Charles Cole, of Fowler, Michigan: Mr. and Mrs. Albert Cole, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Cole, L. C. Tillotson, Frank and Burt Tillotson, Mrs. Martha Foster, Mrs. Anna Gates, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Tillotson and Miss Grace Tillotson.

The new factory building being erected for the National Window Shade company is nearly completed so far as the general contract is concerned, and it will be only a few weeks before the work of installing the machinery will be under way. The Mail hopes to be able to present a half-tone picture of the new building very shortly.

The following Plymouth students at the University of Michigan came home today to spend the Christmas holidays: Miss Aleta Hearn, Miss Juanita Coe, Miss Katherine Wilcox, Miss Ruth Allison, Mrs. Maurice Woodworth, Miss Dorothy Hillman, Edwin Schrader, David Nichol, Kenneth Bartlett, James Lendrum and Fred Lendrum.

Last Friday evening Mrs. Fred Reiman and Mrs. Perry Hix entertained at the former's home at a 6 o'clock dinner. Mrs. Josephine Hix, Jason Hicks, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hix and son, Warren; Mr. and Mrs. E. Pettibone, Mr. and Mrs. Cady Hix, Perry Hix and daughters, Barbara and Marion. The occasion was in honor of Mrs. Reiman's and Mrs. Hix's birthdays. Cards and music furnished entertainment and a jolly time was had by all.

Members of Plymouth Rock Lodge, No. 47, F. and A. M. will attend divine services at St. John's Episcopal Church, on Sunday, December 30, at 7:30 p. m., in observance of the Feast of St. John, the Evangelist, a patron saint of Freemasonry. This year is the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of an occasion when George Washington and three hundred other Masons attended Christ Church, Philadelphia, in the celebration of St. John's Day. All Master Masons are invited to attend this service. The general public will be cordially welcomed.

Miss Julia S. Wilcox arrived home from Smith college last Saturday to spend three weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Wilcox, at their home on Penniman avenue.

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A Merry Christmas To All



Mistletoe
Mary Graham Bonner

There had been few changes in the house. The house was very old, but it was beautiful with the mellow dignity of age. It had seen so much, it had heard so much that it felt not only old but wise and understanding. Perhaps it was not even age that it felt. With so much youth and romance and gaiety coming into the house from time to time it felt young and romantic and gay itself.

But this year it was worried. The house believed in tradition. In memory in sentiment, in anniversary. Particularly the house believed in Christmas.

Every Christmas it had been decorated. Green wreaths had been hung in every window. Great branches of pine had hung over the ancestral portraits which were heavy enough to bear them. Smaller pictures were given smaller sprays of green. Red candles were lighted in the candlesticks on the mantelpiece every Christmas eve. Every Christmas eve there had always been some members of the family who had moved away and had come back. The house listened silently, expectantly for the whistle of the train on Christmas eve. Then for the noise of sleigh bells and the crackle of the sleigh stopping in front of the house to let out its family members who had journeyed back home for Christmas.

Of recent years it had been an automobile that had hooked and stopped before the house. The house liked a sleigh better. But still it kept up with the times. It liked having an automobile in front of its door during the summer—and it liked the arrival of the automobile at Christmas time.

It was not this modern invention that had bothered the house this year. It was something else.

For years and years and years there had been a little piece of mistletoe hanging from the old lamp in the front hall. It was a funny old lamp. It had four glass sides and it was really the lamp holder, for every evening just at dusk one of the members of the family would come out and pull the lamp holder down on its workable chain and tip the lighted lamp just enough and most carefully so it would fit inside. Then back up the lamp was pulled again. From this had always hung the mistletoe.

Mistletoe was sometimes hard to get, but a little piece had always been obtained. One year there had been only two white berries on the mistletoe, but this year in spite of a great predominance of green there were five white berries. So it was not this that worried the house. It was because there was no longer a lamp. The lamp holder was there, hanging in the front hall, but it had been fastened up so that it stayed up all the time. It didn't have to be pulled down. There was an electric globe in it and it was turned on by a button on the side of the wall.

It was this electric light that bothered the house. Somehow it seemed



Particularly the House Believed in Christmas.

as though the mistletoe hung from the electric light would not be so romantic. It was such a change. And so the house felt, was not some thing to be changed in a twinkling, in the turning of the button.

However, the mistletoe hung there, hung there as best it could with its red ribbon attachment, its large amount of pale-green leaves, its five white berries.

The train was a minute ahead of time. Trains were not apt to be ahead of time. But this time it was, for the clock had said 7:14 and the train was not due to arrive until 7:15. And the clock could not make a mistake. Not now after it had, just been up the street so recently to visit the very best and oldest clock mender in town.

Down came the automobile. In came the people. Gaiety, laughter, merriment rang out through the old house, echoed up and back from the great high ceiling, resounded through the many rooms.

"How wonderfully the house is decorated. It never looked lovelier than it does this year."

Every year the house had heard those words. Every year the house was more and more pleased with the decorations. But this year these words

coming from away felt that they had never seen the house look so lovely. Every year those who had decorated it felt they had never done so fine a job.

The presents were opened in front of the fire. Then the candles were put out—for they must be lighted again on Christmas night. They must not all burn out in one evening. That was the custom.

There was a slight lull after the excitement of the opening of the presents. And then came a ring at the old door bell. Sometimes the old door bell stayed out when it was pulled out, but on the whole it was a very good door bell in spite of its great age. Besides, didn't the members of the family always look after the door bell? Didn't they always push it in if they found it out when they were coming home, and didn't they announce as they got inside—"That was only my pushing the bell in. I found it out."

Oh, most of the time the door bell worked beautifully. This time it fairly burst itself with the laughing ring that it gave.

"A caller," said the house to itself. "A caller," said the family to one another. "It's pretty late. Who can it be? But let us see. Our lights are all lighted. Whoever it was couldn't help but see that we are up, and people know how late we sit up Christmas eve."

The door was opened. One of the youngest members of the family opened the door. Not one of the children—



Joan's Heart Sang a Quiet, Happy Little Song.

children—they were in bed. But one of the youngest members just the same.

It was Joan who had opened the door. Joan with her bright color and blond hair and blue eyes and jolly, skipping little laugh. You thought of water skipping over pebbles in a brook when you heard Joan laugh.

"Oh," Joan said. "Oh," she said again.

The family inside were wondering why Joan didn't bring the caller inside. Or was it just a message perhaps. Or was it a late package? Or was it a mistake? Or what?

"Oh," Joan said, still holding open the door. "Oh," said Joan again.

"Joan, Merry Christmas. Do let's make up a can't see a future without you. I love you so much."

Oh, how Joan's heart sang a quiet, happy little song all to itself.

It was wonderful to think he would never be happy without her. The thought of his unhappiness without her made her rejoice!

It had been a stupid quarrel—it had been hard saying such mean things when both of them knew they didn't mean it.

"Joan!" He caught sight of the mistletoe. And the house fairly creaked aloud with excitement. The electric globe in the old lamp holder made no difference. Nothing made any difference. Here was youth and romance and gaiety. Here was the mistletoe inspiring what every true mistletoe should inspire.

"Joan," called the family from within. "Who is there?"

"Barry," she answered. "He's taking off his coat."

Barry took off his coat then and went inside.

They were clasping hands.

The mistletoe looked quite elated.

"I did a good job," the mistletoe said—"patched up a quarrel and renewed a romance."

"Good work," said the house. "I approve of you."

"Merry Christmas," the mistletoe ended.

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Reason for December 25

Being Christmas Date

It is not definitely known when Christmas was first celebrated. The institution of the festival is attributed to Telesphorus, who flourished in the reign of Antoninus Pius (131-161 A. D.). This, however, is not historical. It has often been objected that December 25 cannot be the true date of the birth of Christ, for it is then the rainy season in Palestine and shepherds would scarcely have been watching their sheep by night in the fields. The reason for the final choice of December 25 cannot now be determined. A widespread feast of the Great Mother may have influenced the decision, also the desire to place a Christian feast in opposition to the Roman feast of "Sol Invictus" at the winter solstice, the Germans held their great Yule feast in commemoration of the return of the fiery sun, and many of the beliefs and usages of the old Germans and Romans relating to this matter passed from heathenism to Christianity and have survived to the present day. As Christianity spread, the feast of the winter solstice, the time when the day begins to increase, and light to triumph over darkness, was changed into the Feast of Christ, the Light of Life.



THAT CARSON GIRL
A Christmas Story
By Robert Stead

FROM the hilltop where Clare stood she watched the sun sink slowly into his bed of snow. Her vantage point was the only elevation for many miles in all that prairie country. It commanded a view as far as eye could reach, broken only by the groves of box-elders and Russian poplars, now leafless and shrunken, which the settlers had planted about their steadings. Clare loved to climb it for the exhilaration, the vastness, the sense of infinity which it gave her.

At least, that was the explanation she offered when explanations were necessary. Her custom of walking to the top of the hill every evening before sunset could not escape observation and comment in a community where the doings of neighbors constituted the chief topic of conversation.

"Saw that Carson girl on 'the knob' again tonight," Bert McVain remarked at the supper table after his return from the market town where he had been delivering a load of wheat. "She's getting crazier every day."

"Too bad," Bert's mother commented, with a sigh. "She used to be so bright. It must be a great trial to Mrs. Carson."

And so the talk ran through the neighborhood. Clare Carson was "a little off." Echoes of that gossip did not fail to reach the Carson homestead, where Clare had been taken strictly to account for her wanderings.

"But, Mother," the girl protested, "so long as I don't neglect my work—and I don't—why shouldn't I walk up 'the knob' if I want to? The exercise and fresh air are good for me after all day in the house."

"Just the same, it don't look right," her mother argued. "People are beginning to talk."

"Let them," said Clare. And because she was twenty-two, and had a will of her own, she walks continued and the gossip grew.

"Oh, why can't they let me alone!" she exclaimed to herself, as she watched the sun dip into his bed of her own, the walks continued and the gossip grew.

The red light, mingled with that bluish-white reflection which artists find in unbroken snow, touched her cheeks with its foamy brush, painting them with the glow of buoyant health. Under the tan which sheltered her pretty head her eyes shone with a sunset luster even while they pleaded for an answer from the infinite.

For six months she had kept her tryst; six months to a day, for was not this the twenty-fourth of December? On that June night half a year ago Fred had held her in his arms on this very spot while he told her of the urgency which took him East. The death of his father demanded his immediate return. "And, Clare," he told her, "I know what their plans are. There is a match all made for me. It may be a condition of the will; I



"Do You Believe That I Will Come Back to You?"

don't know; but condition or no condition I'll be back for you as soon as I can put affairs in order. It was to escape her I came out here—and found you! Do you believe that I will come back to you, dearest?"

She assured him with her lips.

"I will have a fight of it, dear," he went on, "and I will need your help. You don't know what it is to have all your people set against you. They think it's for the best, of course; Julia is a nice enough girl, and comes of an old and wealthy family, and they can't understand my objection."

"Why don't you marry her?" Clare interrupted, eager to hear again his fervent defense. "She is rich, beautiful; she would make you happy."

"That's just it—she wouldn't. Why should I marry a rich girl, when I have already enough for two? And as for beauty—no one who has seen you would call her beautiful!"

He held her again in that still June night as though he never would let her go.

"I will need your help," he repeated at length. "You will help, won't you?"

"But how?"

The question silenced him for a moment. Then, "I'll tell you, Clare. Come to this spot every evening at sunset, and think strong thoughts of help for me. I will remember, and surely I will

catch your message. If a radio station can send its waves around the world, surely your mind—your soul—can do much more!"

So she had promised, and for six months she had kept her promise, while the neighbors concluded that the Carson girl was "a bit off."

On this Christmas eve, from her pinnacle of sublime loneliness, she watched the last red rays pour out over the bluish-white snow, touching to color tattered remnants of cloud aloft in the western sky. She wondered if it could be possible that her yearnings were in some way reaching her lover, strengthening his heart for the fight with the wealth and pride of his family.

Suddenly her reverie was interrupted by the sound of sleigh bells on the road at the foot of the hill. A team and cutter were swinging sharply southward through the gathering dusk. As she watched, the horses were reined in, the cutter stopped, one of the two occupants got out, and a man came running toward her. The next moment she was in his arms, breathless, laughing, almost too excited to speak.

"I knew I would find you here," he cried, "if only we made it on time!"

"But tell me, Fred, how does it come? Explain," she managed at length.

"I will—at the house," he answered. "Come!"

She hesitated, and a shadow swept her glowing face. "You know what my people think," she reminded him.

"I know what they thought," he laughed. "They thought that because



"But That's a Secret—Until After the Wedding!"

I was rich I could not be serious. But when they hear how I have lost all my money—

"Lost your money?" she echoed.

"Does it make any difference, dear?"

"All the difference in the world," she cried, exultantly. "Now I can marry you, and no one will say it is because you are rich! But what about her?"

"At the house," was all he would answer. He seized her arm, and to gather like children they rushed down the hill.

"It was like this," he explained, to the assembled Carson family after supper. "My father left me a million or so and a request that I should ask Julia France to be my wife. Uncles, aunts, cousins, my mother—everybody interpreted that request as a command. It was such a suitable match, they said, Julia, it seemed shared that opinion."

"I delayed my proposal until I could think it over, and one day, just at sunset, came a bright idea. Perhaps it started on Knob Hill." He glanced appreciatively at Clare, who blushed, but kept her counsel. "Then I rushed to my broker."

"How long does it take to lose a million dollars on the stock market?" I asked.

"Many people do it quicker than they expect," he confided.

"Well, lose a million dollars for me as soon as you can. There is no time to spare. I told him my reason and, like a good sport, he promised to do his best."

"I bought a comfortable life annuity for my mother, but everything else went into the mill. Cash, bonds, stocks, securities, deeds—they poured into that broker's office like sheaves into your separator, Mr. Carson, and all the time they kept clamoring for more. At last I was sold out. They even threatened bankruptcy proceedings. It was quite a scandal. I assure you. Then I proposed to Julia, just as my father said, and was turned down cold. So here I am, offering to make you a Christmas present of a brand new son-in-law."

Mr. Carson sucked at his pipe. "Well," he remarked at length, "any fellow that's fool enough to lose a million dollars for a girl deserves what he gets. Take her!"

"Gee, won't Bert McVain be mad?" shouted Clare's young brother Bob. "He always wanted Clare himself!"

Later, when the Carson family had obligingly retired, Fred held Clare's head close to his own. "The joke of it is," he whispered, "I didn't lose a million dollars. I made a million and a half. But that's a secret—until after the wedding!"

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Observe Three Yuletides

Within Twelve Months

There is one place where Christmas is kept three times a year—in the Church of Nativity at Bethlehem, the reputed site of the Stable of the Inn.

The Roman, Greek and Armenian Greek bodies have each their respective section of the church, but their Christmas celebrations do not occur on the same day. The Latin Christmas is celebrated at the Roman Catholic altar on December 25. Thirteen days later the Orthodox Easterns perform the Greek rite. Another 13 days later the Armenian church keeps its own ceremonial of Byzantine faith—

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Those who suffer from neuritis will find much to cheer them in the statement of Mrs. Christine Susewitz, 5732 Bostwick street, Detroit. She writes: "A year ago I had kidney trouble, and then came neuritis. Pains in my shoulders and arms were so acute that I cried out in agony. I could not sleep, I grew weak and listless. My kidneys got me up many times at night; terrible headaches nearly drove me frantic, and finally I was forced to take to my bed. There I remained a month. Not a thing gave me even temporary relief. I was discouraged and heart sick. Then—and how I thank that day—I heard of Konjola, and started the treatment. Now get this—in exactly two weeks my kidneys were corrected and the neuritis had left me. Four days after starting on Konjola I was able to leave my bed. Does this seem possible? Isn't it wonderful that there is such a medicine? I wish I knew words enough to express my amazement and gratitude for this astounding medicine. Konjola is, indeed, called rightly the master medicine." Konjola is sold in Plymouth at COMMUNITY PHARMACY and by all the best druggists throughout this entire section.

Christmas Programs At The County Training School

The Mail is in receipt of a very neatly printed program of the Christmas activities at the Wayne County Training School. The programs have been arranged for the pleasure of the families of the children and friends of the school. The following programs will be given:

Friday, December 21.
Commencing at 7 o'clock. In the auditorium.
Two one-act plays, "Christmas Eve," a cast of sixteen principals and forty-five dancers, and "Why the Chimes Rang," a cast of twelve principals.

Sunday, December 23.
Christmas Pageant.
Auditorium, 2:30 o'clock.
"The Nativity."

Professional
The Hope Carol—Entire Cast
Herald Reads
O Little Town of Bethlehem—Girls' Chorus

Herald Reads
Now Hasten, Ye Shepherds—Small Choir
Episode of the Shepherds—White Shepherds Watch Their Flocks—Full Chorus
Gloria—Girls' Chorus

Herald Reads
Episode of the Kings
We Three Kings of Orient Are—Boys' Chorus
The Three Great Kings—Boys' Chorus
Old French Carol With Trenches—Small Choir

Episode of the Angels
It Came Upon a Midnight Clear—Full Choir
Final—Full Choir
Sing and Rejoice—Full Choir
Benediction

Monday Afternoon, December 24.
Matinee Performance of the Christmas Pageant
"The Nativity"

For the children and their specially invited juvenile guests, auditorium, 2:30 o'clock.
Christmas Eve.
A group of enrollees will sing their joyous strains at each cottage and dwelling and at vantage points on the campus.

Christmas Morning.
Distribution of gifts from the Christmas tree in each cottage.
Special Christmas dinner at noon.

Wednesday, December 26.
Auditorium, 7 o'clock.
Motion pictures—Nine reels.
Feature pictures—"The Wreck of the Hesperus," "Seeing the World."

Thursday, December 27.
Auditorium, 2:30 o'clock.
Matinee performance of two one-act plays—"Christmas Eve" and "Why the Chimes Rang." This performance is for the children and their specially invited juvenile guests.

Friday, December 28.
Auditorium, 2:30 o'clock.
Community singing and stunts. Older children will provide the entertainment.

Sunday, December 30.
Regular morning service in auditorium.

Mass celebrated for Catholic children at 9:30 o'clock by Rev. Father Alfes, of St. Leo's church, Detroit.
Non-denominational services at

10:30 o'clock. Rev. Hazel D. Leonard, director of religious education, Detroit Council of Churches.

Monday, Dec. 31.
Auditorium, 2:30 o'clock.
Community singing and stunts. Younger children will provide the entertainment.

Tuesday, Jan. 1.
Competitive games between cottages in the auditorium. Boys' basket ball from 8:30 a. m. until 11:30 a. m. Girls' volley ball from 1 p. m. until 3:30 p. m.

Mechanic Says Watch Is 803 Years Old

Gary, Ind.—What is said to be one of the oldest watches in the world is owned by Edward Ferland, a local machinist, who claims his timepiece is 803 years old.

The ancient "ticker" was manufactured in Birmingham, England, and weighs more than half a pound. It is inscribed upon the brass mechanism is the word "Buckingham" and under it the numerals "1125." The machinist insists that the figures represent the year in which the watch was made.

However, the Encyclopedia Britannica places the date of the invention of the pocket watch as some time during the latter part of the Fifteenth century in Nuremberg, Germany.

Ferland said that his timepiece had been appraised at \$6,000.

The stem projects from the back of the case. Ornate hand curving in proudness, and even the cogs, wheels, balance staff and supporting posts are engraved with scrolls and decorative work.

In support of his contention that the watch actually was manufactured in 1125, Ferland said there is a tradition that in 1020 a Danish king bought the first watch that was made and presented it to a Russian sovereign, who ordered it destroyed immediately when he heard it ticking.

Differences in Eggs.
Because Russian hens are allowed to roam wild foraging for themselves their eggs can be preserved for 12 months, while those of the carefully tended fiddles of western Europe spoil much quicker, declares an egg specialist.

Fine for the Lawns.
The pecan is becoming popular for lawn and dooryard planting far beyond the area in which this tree is grown commercially. Beautiful in foliage and graceful in form, it not only ornaments home surroundings, but also produces crops of what is reputed to be the choicest of all the nuts.

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Today's Reflections

It will take more than a dose of "rabbit fever" to convince old-timers that rabbit isn't one of nature's greatest gifts to man.

"The world may owe a man a living," says Dad Plymouth "but that doesn't mean he should expect the grocery man to provide it."

Dad Plymouth contends that when a man is running for office the papers will print everything there is to print about him, even to the fact that he has hair growing in his ears.

Dad Plymouth has figured it out that the man who expects the unexpected to happen is very seldom wrong.

"No message is worth listening to," says Dad Plymouth "if a man has to grab you by the lapels of your coat when he goes to deliver it."

A bad road is a good deal like a corn—a little trimming will help it a lot.

You can tell a country-raised boy. He can swat and scratch mosquito bites without interrupting a conversation.

What has become of the Plymouth man who used to make a friend of every boy in town by calling him "Sport?"

The candidate for vice-president either gets the job and has nothing to do, or loses the job and goes to work.

A vanity case may help a Plymouth girl save her complexion but a case of vanity won't aid in saving a good disposition.

Every town has a few people who think they are so good that sin isn't sinning if they do it.

One of the best things about 1928 is that it exploded the old theory that a presidential year is a bad business year.

Another optimist is the Plymouth man who thinks he is going to please his wife this Christmas by giving her something for the kitchen.

Dad Plymouth says you can always get some reaction when you're swearing at your wife, but never when you're swearing at your car.

"I've never been able to understand," asserts Dad Plymouth "why it is that when one woman in a crowd starts crying all the other women present join in."

Another fellow we care very little for is the one who thinks that a perpetual grouch makes him appear dignified.

It remains for Dad Plymouth to explain that an ideal wife is one who can govern her temper as easily as she can govern her husband.

Do you have a lot, house or anything for sale? If so use the Mail Want Ad Section to sell it for you.

Auction Sale

HARRY C. ROBINSON, Auctioneer
Phone 7, Plymouth, Mich.

Not being able to again lease my farm, I will sell the following described personal property on the farm situated 1 1/4 miles north of Seven Mile road on Evergreen, 4 miles south and 1 mile west of Birmingham, 3 miles north, 1 mile east of Redford, on

Thursday, Dec. 27th
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1 Holstein Cow, 3 years old, bred July 2, 1928, milking
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1 Holstein Cow, 9 years old, fresh two months
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1 Running Gear Three-tire Wagon and Rack
1 One-horse Cultivator
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- Tennis Rackets
- Pocket Knives
- Watches
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- Bicycle Lamps
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10:30 a. m.—"Christ's Increasing Reign"

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7:30 p. m.—Christmas Pageant, "Birth of Peace"

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11:45 a. m.—Sunday School

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CHURCH NEWS

Catholic
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Fr. Lefevre
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Sundays—Mass at 8:00 and 10:00. Confessions before mass.
Week-days—Mass at 7:30. This hour makes it convenient for the children to attend on their way to school. All should begin the day with God.
Societies—The Holy Name Society for all men and young men. Communion the second Sunday of the month.
Altar Society—Comprising all the ladies and young ladies. Communion the third Sunday of each month.
Children of Mary—Every child of the parish must belong and must go to communion every fourth Sunday of the month.
Catechism—Every Saturday. Mass at 8:00. Instruction by Fr. Lefevre immediately after. Questions by Miss Mary Mertens and Miss M. E. Lehman. All children are obliged to attend these instructions.

First Church of Christ, Scientist
Sunday, December 23, 1928

First Church of Christ, Scientist, corner Main and Dodge streets. Sunday morning service, 10:30 o'clock. Subject: "Is the Universe, including Man, Evolved by Atomic Force?"

Wednesday evening testimony service, 7:30. Reading room in rear of church open daily from 2 to 4 p. m., except Sundays and holidays. Everyone welcome. A lending library of Christian Science literature is maintained.

Methodist
Dr. F. A. Lendrum, Minister
Morning worship, 10:00 a. m. Sunday school, 11:40 a. m. Epworth League praise service, 6:30 p. m. Evening praise and sermon, 7:30 p. m. Mid-week fellowship meeting, 7:30 p. m.

LIVONIA UNION CHURCH
"The Church with a Friendly Welcome"
Rev. I. Paul Taylor, Pastor.

Morning worship, 10:30 o'clock. Sunday school, 11:30 a. m. James Slier, superintendent. Everybody cordially invited to all services of this church.

Baptist
Donald W. Riley, Pastor
Morning worship 10:00; Sunday school, 11:30; evening worship, 7:30; B. Y. P. U., 6:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening, 7:30.

Gospel Mission Services
344 Amelia St.

Sunday school, 2:30 p. m.; preaching, Sunday, 3:00 p. m. Wednesday evening, prayer service, 8:00 p. m. Everyone welcome. Aaron Ensign in charge.

Livonia Center Community Church
Dr. Helen Phelps, Pastor

The Livonia Community church has recently changed location and name. The name now is Bell Branch Community church, located near the corner of Five Mile and Telegraph roads. The regular services of the church are as follows: Sunday, 11 a. m. morning worship; 12 m., Sunday school; 7 p. m., community singing; 7:30 p. m., sermon; Thursday, 7:30 p. m., prayer service. Dr. Helen R. Phelps, pastor.

BEECH.
Beech Methodist Episcopal Church. Beech road, half mile north of Plymouth road.
A hearty welcome awaits all.
Wm. A. Johnson, Pastor.
Telephone 7103F5.
Morning worship, 9:30 o'clock. Sunday school, 10:30 a. m. Christmas sermon with special music next Sunday morning at 9:30. Christmas tree and children's program in the evening, 8:00. Prepare yourself that you may enjoy the real "Spirit of Christmas" in your heart.

NEWBURG.
Newburg Methodist Episcopal Church. Ann Arbor Trail and Newburg Road. The little church with a big welcome.
Wm. A. Johnson, Pastor.
Telephone 7103F5.
Morning worship, 11. Sunday school, 12. Epworth League, 7:30. Christmas party with old "St. Nick" at the Ladies' Aid hall Saturday, 7:30 p. m. Christmas service Sunday morning, 11:00. Sunday school white gift service, 7:30 p. m. Bring the family and forget yourself in the kindly thought of others.

PERRINSVILLE.
Perrinsville Methodist Episcopal Church
Services at the church on Merriman rd. Wm. A. Johnson, Pastor. Telephone 7103F5.
Sunday school, 2:30 P. M. Preaching service, 3:20 P. M. A very enjoyable Christmas program was presented on Wednesday evening by the children of the Sunday school, under the direction of Mrs. J. Winchester.

In spite of the epidemic of flu, or whatever it is, our Sunday school is growing steadily. We invite strangers and we sure would feel disappointed if our former members were not there next Sunday.
The men are having another "bee" Friday to go forward with the work of the basement. Bring your shovel, men. Let's go!

ST. PAUL'S EV.-LUTH. CHURCH
Livonia Center
Rev. Oscar J. Peters, Pastor.
English services on Sunday, December, 10th at 2:30 P. M. Welcome. Sunday School at 1:45.

Presbyterian
Walter Nichol, Pastor
Morning worship at 10:00 a. m. Sunday school at 11:20 a. m.

ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
Rev. Charles Strasen, Pastor
There will be English services Sunday morning. Sunday school at 11:30. On Sunday evening at 7 o'clock the regular Christmas services will be held. The children will sing and declaim Christmas pieces. The Sunday school children will receive a present and all children a bag of candy. On Tuesday, Christmas Day, regular English services will be held.

St. John's Episcopal Church
Corner Harvey and Maple Streets
Rev. Oscar J. F. Seltz, Rector
Fourth Sunday in Advent, Dec. 23. Morning Prayer and sermon, 10 a. m. Church school, 11:30 a. m.
Christmas Day, December 25th. Holy Communion, 8 a. m. Holy Communion, with Christmas music, 10 a. m.
St. John's Day, December 27th. Pageant and tree, 7:30 p. m.

EPISCOPAL NOTES

Christmas Day is a holy day of obligation for all communicants of the church, a day when every one should make his communion. In order to provide sufficient opportunity for all to do this, there will be two celebrations of the Holy Communion, on Christmas Day, Tuesday, December 25th. The first service will be at 8 a. m., the second, with special music, will be at the usual hour, 10 a. m. In order that these services may not be unnecessarily long there will be no sermon.

On Thursday, December 27, being the feast of St. John the Evangelist, patron of this parish, there will be held the Children's Festival. Children of the Church school will present a Nativity play, "The Manger-Throne," being the story of Our Lord's birth. This will be followed by the Christmas Tree.

"Remember: The holidays are Holy Days." There can be no Christmas without Christ! May this be a truly blessed Christmas!

CATHOLIC NOTES

A Merry Christmas is hereby extended to one and all, and may the joy of the day enter the hearts of all.

The Christmas services will begin with the midnight mass at 11:45 Monday night. The midnight high mass will be preceded by a sacred Christmas concert, given by the children's choir, and the adult choir, accompanied by six violins, from the high school. A very cordial invitation is extended to the public. All are welcome to share in this program. What is Christmas without the real old-time tested Christmas carols. These will be rendered by the tender voices of the children. The remaining services will be at 8 and 10 o'clock Christmas morning, two low masses.

Confessions will be heard Monday afternoon from 4 until 6 and again at 7:30, until all are heard.
The New Year calendars were mailed out this week, and they come as a little token from your pastor. Those that have not received one can obtain the same next Sunday.
The pastor attended the farewell reception given the Rev. W. A. Graeber, of Sturgis, last Thursday night at the Sikh temple in Sturgis. Father

Graeber is a friend of the parish and a classmate of Father Lefevre. We hereby wish him success in his new field, a new parish in Hazelwood, Mich., Nine Mile and John R. roads.
A Christmas program will be given to the children of the parish Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Let all the kiddies be there.
Flowers are always welcomed for the altars in church.
Bring yourself and friends to the Christmas services and make the day a real happy, thrice happy day. May God bless one and all, and unite us all in His friendship and love in my prayer and greeting to all.

METHODIST NOTES

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."
Next Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock the choir will sing special Christmas music and Dr. Lendrum will preach a Christmas sermon. At 7 p. m. the Sunday school will have their Christmas exercises, observing "The White Gift Christmas," when all are to bring an offering for our children's home. "Freely ye have received, freely give." All are cordially invited to join with us.
It being Christmas week, there will be no other activities except the mid-week prayer and praise service, which we will all want to attend, in order to praise God for His wonderful gift of the Christ whose birthday we celebrate on Tuesday. May the joy of Christmas fill our hearts and overflow in the praise service Wednesday night, 7:15 to 8 o'clock.

BAPTIST NOTES

A very attractive Christmas program has been arranged this year and will be given Monday evening. The Christmas tree will have its place which is always an attractive feature for the kiddies. An invitation is extended to the public.
Mrs. Arthur Hampton, a state officer for the Baraca-Philathea organized Sunday School classes gave a very interesting address last Sunday morning. At the close of Sunday School two new classes were organized.
The young men have organized a Baraca class and the young ladies a Philathea class. Officers were elected in both classes. The classes will hold a business meeting in the near future to complete the details of the organization.

PRESBYTERIAN NOTES.

The church has been busy with preparations for Christmas. The visit of Santa Claus, Thursday evening was a matter of vital interest to many of the little folk. The Christmas decorations will be left in place until after the Sunday evening service.
On Tuesday the Ready Service class had a fine attendance at the annual meeting and Christmas party. They met at the home of Mrs. Charles O. Ball, Harvey Street, and spent a very enjoyable afternoon. The officers for next year are: President, Mrs. Walter Nichol; vice-president, Mrs. Melburn Partridge; secretary, Mrs. L. D. Tallman; Treasurer, Mrs. F. H. Stauffer.
Mrs. Champe's class had a Christmas supper and party at the church Wednesday evening.

The Only Reason.

It has been asked why more Americans do not own hippopotamuses. It probably is because none of the installment stores have thought about selling hippopotamuses at a dollar down and a dollar a week thereafter. —Aitchison Globe.

Attaining Happiness.

Happiness is not to be solicited, but comes with an appearance of finality, to be juggled with off-hand. It seems to be some kind of balance, as in riding a bicycle, attempted painfully a thousand times, and achieved at last without effort. —Elizabeth Bowen.

The First Carol

Many historians say that the first carol ever heard by mortal ears was that sung over the starlit fields of Bethlehem by a host of angels when they sang "Glory be to God on High, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

Christmas a Day of Gratitude

Christmas is a day of simple pleasures and of gratitude for the blessings vouchsafed by Providence.

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Methodist Episcopal Church

Dr. F. A. Lendrum, Pastor

10:20-10:30 a. m.—Organ Recital

10:30 a. m.—"The Glad Message: Fact or Fiction"

11:45 a. m.—Church School

7:00 p. m.—Christmas Exercises

In the morning the choir will render special Christmas anthems



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To our faithful old friends, to our new appreciated friends and to those whom we strive to know, we tender most hearty Christmas greetings. Signing off—"Merry Christmas.

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- Electric Washers
- Electric Toasters
- Electric Grills
- Electric Sad Irons
- Electric Heaters
- Electric Curling Irons
- Electric Christmas Tree Sets
- Coaster Wagons

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- Bake Dishes
- Pie Servers
- Mounted Casseroles
- Tea Kettles
- Carving Sets
- Table Silverware
- Razors
- Aluminum Ware
- Carpenters' Tools
- Roasters
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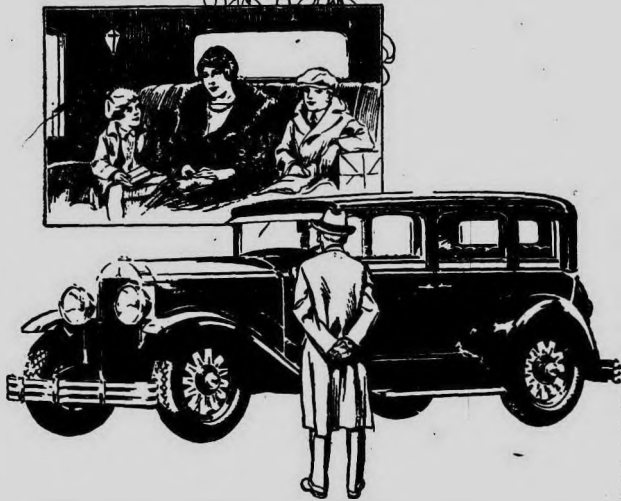
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The backward glance to joys of other years
Threatens the mind with poignant loneliness.
But from our troubles we find swift release
When we recall His promised gift of peace.

Today God is the Host to those we love—
Dear gentle angels with their folded wings
Before a table laid with holy things.
Perhaps they speak of us in realms above
And pity us, who set such childish store
By Christmas toys and holly on the door.

Because He promised us we should go on
Through star-pierced clouds until we reached His side,
We think of our beloveds, satisfied
They have found happiness behind the dawn,
And we, who dine today on lonely fare,
Have learned to see beyond the empty chair.

FAMOUS OLD THEATER OF WEST IS DOOMED

Salt Lake City House Gives Way to Progress.

Salt Lake City.—The Salt Lake theater, which for fully 60 years has been a part of the very life of Salt Lake City, has had its last performance. This theater is one of the oldest in the country. It has continued without interruption to house only the first-class road shows, including practically all the leading American actors and not a few from other nations as well, for the last 50 years. The passing of the old playhouse is viewed with keenest regret in Salt Lake, because it has been a public institution and a vital part of the city's life for so many years. Many residents whose hair is now gray remember the theater from their earliest childhood, and many have taken part in performances there. Old as the building is, it is still good for many a season did not the plans of the American Bell Telephone and Telegraph company subsidiary which has purchased the structure decree otherwise. Huge tree trunks hold up the floors and are still in good condition.

Nailed With Wooden Pins.

Erected in an age when iron was scarce and what there was in the territory had to be hauled by wagon a thousand miles across the plains, the building is held together by wooden pins. Some credit the splendid acoustics of the building to this fact. In fact, the favorite place for real lovers of music to witness the operas which have come here has been from the gallery.

In pioneer days it was frequently the practice to bring a small company of stars—perhaps only one or two leading performers. The remainder of the standard plays produced were enacted by local talent. Contrary to the common attitude of the churches in those days, that of the Mormon church was to favor the theater and to utilize its appeal to the public as a means of advancing higher ideals. Not that partisan religion as such was thrust upon the audiences at the playhouse, for it was not, but the attitude of the church was an encouragement to whatever histrionic ability was latent in the community. Maude Adams was perhaps the best example of a leader of the drama who received her early training in the old showhouse. It is related that her first public appearance on the stage was as a baby in some production which called for the appearance of a real baby instead of a doll.

Local Talent Stars.

During the periods when stars were not available, the stock company, made up of local talent, continued its productions. The theater was also the meeting place for many sessions not essentially connected with the stage. It provided the only large auditorium in the city for many years outside of those operated by the Mormon church for its general conferences. Some of the more remarkable scenes of Utah's stirring political history were enacted within that same theater.

Naturally, when the Mormon church, which long held controlling interest through its leading officials, became tired of footing annual deficits, which have been all too common of late years, and sold the property to the Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph company, there was some protest. The Daughters of the Utah Pioneers, which is the most active public organization interested in preservation of pioneer history, took a leading part and attempted to see what could be done. It was for a time thought feasible to move the building to some site of less commercial value. A firm on the Pacific coast was interested in such a proposal and sent its engineer here to see what could be done.

After examining the structure the engineer declared such a contract entirely feasible from the mechanical point of view. The building, in other words, old as it is, would stand removal, but the cost would be between \$100,000 and \$125,000. This latter proved to be the stumbling block. Desirable as the project was considered, and important as had been the part the theater played in the history of the city, state, and the West, no one cared to undertake to raise the \$125,000, and the project was reluctantly abandoned.

Christmas Memories For Others

By Florence Harry Welly

WITK! the Herald Angels sing,
"Glory to the new-born King!"
The Christmas chimes were peering overhead as Mrs. Peggy Walton hurried past the great department store.

A lump rose in Peggy's throat. Her eyes grew misty. She wondered if all these hurrying Christmas shoppers heard those chimes and felt as she did. Their faces gave no evidence of emotion; but neither did hers. Peggy assured herself.

Communing with herself Peggy thought of other Christmas shopping expeditions when all was joy and anticipation. But that was when Bob was little and the four grandparents and two aunts were all coming for the holiday festivities to the big brick house in the little town. Now Bob was twenty-one, the grandparents had passed away—Grandmother Walton and Grandmother Prentiss had gone just a short time apart the past summer. The two aunts felt as Peggy did that Christmas memories would be less poignant if they didn't try to have the customary reunion. And instead of the big brick house with its chery fireplaces, in the friendly little town, they lived in an apartment in the city. Not much Christmas atmosphere about an apartment Peggy reflected.

But something must be done about Christmas for Bob's sake. If for no other reason. It wouldn't seem much like Christmas for Bob to come home from college to just her and Dad.

Peggy had passed beyond the sound of the chimes, but between shopping ventures her mind dwelt constantly on this Christmas problem and what she



Peggy Had Passed Beyond the Sound of the Chimes.

could do. All their friends had their own families at Christmas, just as they had had theirs until this year.

That brought her back again to the little town and the many changes that had taken place even in the short time they had been gone. Other homes besides theirs would miss the older generation this Christmas. Peggy began enumerating them in her mind.

There was Judge Hatford who had done so much for them when the first break had come and her own father had passed away, and even last summer when her mother, too, had gone. It was Judge Hatford who had taken the sting from the legal aspects. Yet, it was but a few weeks later when he also had been laid to rest in the little cemetery on the hill; then there was genial, courtly Mr. Morrow, and Mr. and Mrs. Roberts, separated from each other but a brief month, and Mr. and Mrs. Dawson—Peggy stopped in her summary. Why hadn't she thought of the Dawsons before? There was Fred Dawson, and Katharine, and their little boy Dick, and Katharine's younger sister, Mary; they, too, must be looking forward to Christmas with sorrowful memories; for always they had come from the far-off city to the home in the little town for the holidays and now there was no home to which to come.

"It's worse for them than for us. I'll write them at once," Peggy decided. "They're just what we need. Mary and Bob will have a good time. We always enjoy Fred and Katharine. And there's little Dick, bless his heart; a child is what we want to revive the Christmas spirit."

Again Peggy found herself with a hearing of the Christmas chimes: "Joy to the world" was ringing forth as she approached the department store on her homeward way. But there was no lump in her throat this time and her eyes were clear and stary as she gaily hastened along, planning for others and winning for herself a Merry Christmas.

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Out of Tune

To the person out of tune with life, Christmas may mean a wearisome duty, a bestowing of gifts on indifferent people, receiving in return things of incredible unsuitability for which he must write notes of imitation thanks.

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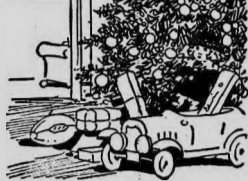
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The
Smallwoods'
Christmas

By
W. D. Pennypacker



PIERCING wind swept the dry snow into gnarled knots and eddying circles, and continued its moaning all through the night. Drifts were light and here and there the bare ground could be seen. An almost similar condition prevailed in the heavens. Dark, foreboding clouds from which the flakes fell lightly like goose feathers, now and again parted, to reveal brilliant constellations.

That was the mood in which Christmas eve found the out-of-doors in Smithville.

The Smallwoods had had a busy day. They were not natives of Smithville, but arrived here that afternoon after a tedious run by train and motor bus. They usually spent Christmas in Smithville, where Mrs. Smallwood's sister lived. They enjoyed the romps and frolics with the children and always asserted that no day could be Christmas unless blessed with the rollicking laughter of little ones. Having none of their own they enjoyed the holidays with their Smithville relatives.

Embers in the big fireplace were still bright, but losing their brilliance because of neglect. The pungent odor of burning pine brought soothing drowsiness to tired eyes. Books and papers lay untouched. They relaxed. They all but slept.

When the great hall clock struck one—two—three—four—five—six—seven—eight—nine—ten—eleven—and when the chimes ceased to reverberate, they rose upright with a start. It was time to decorate the tree! The youngsters were asleep, and there was no danger that any of them would "hear Santa if he came."

And so, as gently as they could, but full of the joy of doing it—an hour or more was spent in arranging the tree, and placing gifts before it as some benighted ones might lay trophies before an idol. The thought occurred to them—and it amused them.

When all was ready, and the stockings hung in the chimney place had been filled, the two tip-toed to bed.

Rest was not long. Between midnight and the moment a small boy thinks he should hear Santa Claus is but a span. It seemed even less.

Long before the first faint flush of dawn—before the wind rose to sweep the snow into new drifts, and play on



wires and silvered boughs, the Smallwoods were up. They had to be early or the children would be disappointed in finding that good old ruddy-nosed, pot-bellied Santa Claus had not arrived.

Smallwood, who was to impersonate Santa, crept quietly across the floor of his attic room. Quiet as he was, every board seemed to creak under his tread. It seemed discouraging. He feared the children would awake before he could don his boots and scarlet costume. This was trimmed liberally with cotton "fur" and jingling bells. Fortunately the children had found their beds, after a day of excitement and wonder at all the marvelous things they had seen in the shop windows, and they had slept on.

When he was fully attired and considered himself, after careful survey, ready to perform his stunt, Mrs. Smallwood betook herself to a room adjoining that of her sister. A few minutes later, in the rooms down stairs, the clatter of feet and the jingling of bells was heard.

Sleepy eyes opened, and a drowsy but eager child's trouble pined up: "Ma, I hear him, it's Santa."

In a twinkling there were smothered sounds attesting: all were looking for the jolly old man of Christmas. As footsteps approached and the jingle of bells became distinct, little eyes round as saucers told the thrill the children were experiencing. A few moments later the family were assembled in the big, comfortable bed—parents carried away in the wonder in their children's eyes, and children thrilled with the knowledge that Santa Claus was actually before them!

The jolly old man, his nose and cheeks ruddy from long contact with Arctic winds, strode deliberately into their room!

"And here's the whole bunch of 'em," he muttered. "A bloomin' fine lot, I should say." He lowered the heavy pack from his shoulders as he sat upon the edge of the bed.

"A heavy load it has been; but I've loved to think of them," he remarked under his breath. Then turning to John, a tow-head youngster of seven, he questioned:

"Have you been good?"

"Yes, Santa Claus," was the prompt reply.

Similar questions were put to all as Santa deliberated. Then he turned to the youngest—

"And how about you," he inquired. Her eyes grew big and her expression startled. For some seconds she could not speak. Then, as Santa hesitated whether to leave anything, she inquired:

"Mamma, has I been good?"

All seemed satisfied when Santa left. At the breakfast table, some hours later, the thrill of the early hours having worn off to a degree, the children were chattering away about the experiences of the morning. They little realized that the man who came from the chimney place into their room, several hours before, with a heavy pack upon his shoulders, and bells jingling from his becostoned costume, was sitting amongst them.

"I saw him my very self," exclaimed the youngster, looking straight into the eyes of "Santa."

"An' he came right up to the bed," interrupted Jack. "E didn't intend to leave anything at first," piped in another—not 'till mother an' dad told 'im we'd been good. Then he left these presents and hurried away."

"After he shut the door we could



"And Here's the Whole Bunch of 'Em," He Muttered.

hear the sleighbells jingling, and growing fainter and fainter."

"Wish you had not slept so long, uncle. You should have seen him."

"But why did you not watch him as he went out?" was his comelack.

"I think," said dad, "they—we—were all afraid Santa Claus might not like us to watch him. Anyhow we all poked our heads under the covers. There were smothered chuckles mingling with ejaculations of surprise.

"I really seen 'im. I told you he—And they went on and on.

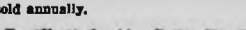
But it was Mr. Smallwood who had the jolliest of Christmases. The children "really" saw Santa Claus—but he, Uncle John, positively discovered what Christmas meant. When he and Mrs. Smallwood returned to their home after the holiday festivities ended they carried with them more of Christmas than they had ever believed it possible they would possess.

They had understood Christmas. (© 1928, Western Newspaper Union.)



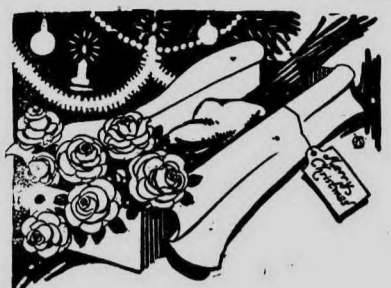
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Burley Trucks	15	9
Dunn Steel	13	11
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Plymouth High	15	12
Noticum	11	13
Penniman Allen	9	12
Misfits	7	20

High Scores.

Walker, 260; C. Burley, 210; Zaunder, 203; Ward, 202; Williams, 213-236.

Two-Man League.

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Schlaff-Pankow	10	5	.666
Lorenz-Friend	11	7	.611
Strenz-Burley	12	9	.570
Zaunder-Wheeler	10	8	.556
Roberts-Roland	3	3	.500
Kirk-Millman	6	9	.400
Schultz-Rowley	6	12	.333
Todd-Williams	5	10	.333

High Scores.

Zaunder, 205; Williams, 201; Friend, 238; Wheeler, 204.

Friday, Dec. 21—Men and ladies' mixed doubles. Prizes according to number of entries.

LOCAL NEWS

W. F. Macomber, for many years a resident of Northville, died recently at his home in Whitehouse, Ohio.

Miss Winifred Andrews, of Flint, was a guest of Miss Helen Wells last Sunday.

The Village of Wayne will have as its guests on January 3rd some two thousand Graham-Paige dealers.

The Milford Fair Association are considering turning the operation and management of the fair over to Oakland County and make the fair a county fair.

Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Chambers and son, Stanley, attended a party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Emory Holmes in Detroit last Friday evening.

R. A. Dolph, undertaker at Ann Arbor, has presented an antique hearse to Henry Ford to be placed in his proposed museum at Dearborn. The vehicle is horse-drawn and is of hand-carved mahogany.

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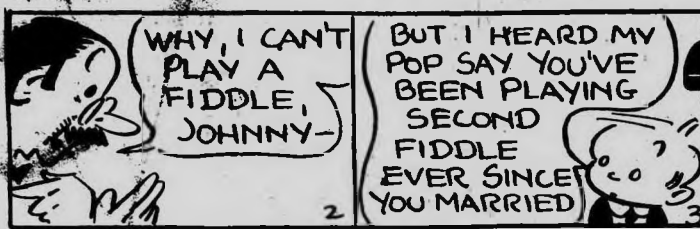
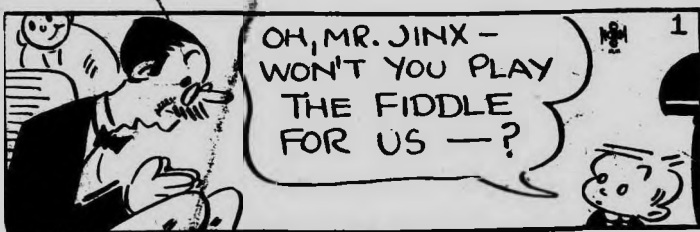
I received a letter from Santa Claus just in time to get it in the paper, and here is what he had to say:

"Mr. Butcher:
"Received your letter and I'll be glad to bring all the nice things you asked for your little customers. Of course, you know that I am very busy at this time, and if I can't be over to give them out myself, will you please take my place? I will make it very much.
"Yours truly,
"Santa Claus"

Now, kids, that's just what Santa Claus had to say. If you want to see what he really has to say, you'll be happy to see that I am very busy at this time, and if I can't be over to give them out myself, will you please take my place? I will make it very much.

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STARKWEATHER SCHOOL NOTES

The Starkweather teachers had a Christmas winter party on Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Moles. After dinner they attended the Northville basketball game.

Donald Hines had the misfortune to be bitten by a dog last week.

The children extended their sympathy to Donald Schille for the death of his brother, Russell.

Mrs. Moles' room sold more Christmas seals than any other in the Starkweather school. Their total sales amounted to sixteen dollars and the largest individual contribution was made by Russell Kirk who turned in two dollars and thirty cents.

The 6 A Geography class has just completed some good maps of Africa.

Some of Miss Lee's 6 A students are writing essays on "Why I think Our next President will be a good one," which completed the president project put on by the "Current Events."

Billy Swadling received a T score of seventy-nine in the Thorndyke Reading Test which lists him as a student superior to the twelfth grade.

Lowell and Joan Cassidy received a T score of seventy-six which is thirteen points above a normal 6 A score.

The silent reading project carried on by the 6 A and 6 B grades in our room has created a great deal of interest.

We have had forty-seven perfect scores in a set of twelve.

One of Miss Balfour's 3 A students, Elton Hurt, has moved to Dearborn.

For language work the children have been writing stories about the birth of Christ.

Their new Citizenship Chart is in the form of a Christmas tree with many red packages upon it, each representing a boy or girl in the room. The higher up the packages are placed the better are the standings of the pupil to whom it belongs.

They received ten dollars from the sale of Tuberculosis Christmas seals.

The fourth, fifth, and sixth grades give their Christmas entertainment on Tuesday afternoon.

Like most of the other rooms, Mrs. Wilcox's students are making booklets treating on the subject of Christmas. The Starkweather kindergarten has been making preparations for a visit from Santa Claus. A Christmas tree is to be decorated on Monday and they are drawing names to determine whom they shall buy a gift for. Their party will be held on Friday, December twenty-first, and the children are looking forward to it with great anticipation.

They have begun a new work which is Reading. The pupils pick it up rapidly and seem to enjoy it.



According to Dad Plymouth, modern styles have given us so much to see that we can sympathize with a blind man more strongly than ever now.

Phone your news items to the Mail Office. Number 6.

We read that a Cleveland man swallowed a fork. It ought to be a consolation to his family that he didn't eat with his knife.

Jewelry is jewelry, but no Plymouth girl would as soon have gold fillings for her teeth as a diamond ring to denote her engagement.

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We have the most complete line of artificial wreaths, Holly Wreaths and all other flower specials that are to be had anywhere.

In cut flowers we will have the following lines:

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IN THE THEATRE

"THE AIR CIRCUS"

After seeing the air sequences in "The Air Circus" which comes to the Penniman Allen theatre Sunday and Monday, December 23 and 24. It is easy to believe the advance press stories which state that Sue Carol, David Rollins, and Arthur Lake learned to fly before making this picture. These three youngsters perform in airplanes like veterans at the controls. Their flying ability added to their acting ability did much to make this Fox production, which Howard Hawks and Lew Seiler directed, one of the best that has been seen here in a long time.

While the thrills and exciting moments are furnished by the scenes in the air the picture is not lacking in heart interest and sentimental appeal. There is a winsome quality about Sue Carol that makes her entirely charming. In her efforts to make David Rollins a fearless airman she wins the sympathy of the audience. The charm of the acting in this picture also is enhanced by the presence of Louise Dresser, who plays the role of young Rollin's mother. As always she gives a perfect performance. Arthur Lake, the third member of the trio of youngsters, is absolutely infectious in his performance. You like him from the first flash on the screen.

The theme of the story deals with the efforts of a young man to conquer his fear of the air with the aid of his mother, the girl he loves, and his buddy. There is plenty of room for heart-pull in this picture and the directors succeeded in getting remarkable performances out of all members of the cast.

When you see these young players flying about the fleecy clouds and doing stunts you thought only a Lindbergh could do, it will be easy to realize why "The Air Circus" is so captivating entertainment. The photography is excellent. Here is a worthwhile picture.

"MOTHER KNOWS BEST"

The attraction for Tuesday and Wednesday, December 25 and 26 is "Mother Knows Best," starring Madge Bellamy, Barry Norton and Louise Dresser. Here are a few of the press reports on this great picture:

NEW YORK EVENING POST—"Though aware of the excellence of Edna Ferber's story this reviewer found himself, for the most part, surprised as well as pleased at this film adaptation. . . a first rate performance by Madge Bellamy . . . and excellent contribution by Louise Dresser as the mother and Barry Norton as the boy."

NEW YORK MORNING WORLD—"Miss Bellamy never has been seen in so altogether delightful a portrayal—versatile, pliable and sensitively bred. Miss Dresser excels her brilliant work in at least two other films, and Mr. Norton, the mother's boy of "What Price Glory," proves fully his worthiness in being elevated to featured player."

NEW YORK EVENING JOURNAL—"Intensely absorbing . . . it has everything that spells entertainment. . . You'll like it."

NEW YORK AMERICAN—"During the story's action, Miss Bellamy gives several scenes that are really something to see and to see the actress in such a way as to get the audience's sympathy is really something to see. . . Barry Norton, the mother's boy of "What Price Glory," proves fully his worthiness in being elevated to featured player."

"PLASTERED IN PARIS"

"Plastered in Paris," an uproarious laugh-fest among the models and sculptors of Guy Paree, featuring Sammy Cohen, Jack Pennick, Ivan Linow and Lila Savi, will be shown at the Penniman Allen Theatre, Saturday, December 29. You'll laugh your head off at these two boys. They go out to fight the Riffs, ride a mile on a camel, get mixed up in a harem-full of beauties, and rescue the general's daughter. And that's only a tip on the fun Sammy Cohen and his pals give you in this super mirthquake.

Farmers Find Aid In The Newspapers

MICHIGAN SURVEY SHOWS THE PRACTICAL VALUE IN NEWS COLUMNS.

Newspapers are a part of the working tools of Michigan farmers, and figures presented by M. C. Wilson, United States Department of Agriculture, at the annual conference for Michigan extension workers show that the news columns are a leading influence in the development of better agricultural practices.

A survey made in parts of Jackson and Memominee counties this year showed that 219 farmers out of 451 in those areas were subscribers for weekly papers and that 349 subscribed for daily papers.

Each farmer was asked to tell what agencies assisted him to do his work in a more profitable or efficient manner, and 142 answered that the papers were depended upon for assistance in planning new and better methods of operating their farms. Only agricultural extension workers excelled the printed word as a means of causing the adoption of better farm practices.

The papers also helped the farm women to make her home more attractive, and 35 women in the Michigan areas stated that newspapers assisted them in their work.

The printed word reached 111 of these Michigan farm homes through the medium of national magazines, a total of 995 subscriptions for farm journals were found in the 451 homes, and the woman's magazine list totaled 370 subscribers.

Dad Plymouth says he often wonders how many of the younger generation of girls know what being "snug and warm" in winter time means.

It looks as though the only thing left in this world that can be shocked is the grain.

The cheapest thing to be found at any bargain sale is a husband waiting for his wife to make her purchases.



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Red Beard of King Is Relic at Emory

Atlanta, Ga.—The beard of an English king—and a red one at that—has been added to the museum of Emory university here.

Once supposed to have adorned the royal chin of Edward IX, who died in 1483, the luxurious hirsute appendage was presented to the school through its glee club on its tour of Great Britain last summer by Ernest S. Howlett of Norwich, England.

The donor vouches for its authenticity. It was given to him by an intimate friend, Sir Frederick de la Pole, baronet, whose ancestor, John de la Pole, duke of Suffolk, married Elizabeth, a sister of Edward and Richard III.

The beard now occupies a prominent place in a glass case among the university's collection of Egyptian mummies and relics for which its museum has long been noted.

Worker Finds Diamond Size of Hen's Egg

Kimberley, South Africa.—A diamond the size of a hen's egg and weighing 282 carats was recently picked up by a native employee at Bad Hope Diggings in Darkly West. It is the largest diamond ever found in alluvial diggings and was sold for \$22,000. The merchant who bought it said that he would have paid \$120,000 if the stone had been pure white.

Use Mail Wants Ads for results.

Plan Account Book For State Farmers

GREATER PROFITS SEEN FOR THOSE WHO FOLLOW NEW MICHIGAN STATE COLLEGE SYSTEM.

More profit from Michigan farms, through the use of farm accounts which will determine the points of strength and weakness in organization and operation, is the goal of the program to be launched in the state this winter by the farm management department of the Michigan State College at East Lansing.

A new farm account book, which is available to all farmers who are interested in determining the financial status of the farm, has just been issued by the extension service of this department. The account book was developed through the experience of hundreds of farmers who have kept accounts over a long period of years.

The plan, outlined by the farm management department, is to offer assistance to interested farmers in about 20 counties during 1929 through the medium of groups organized for the purpose. The work will be expanded as the department personnel is increased.

The farm management specialists are urging that farmers provide themselves with the new book in time to take inventory and start their accounts with the beginning of the new year.

Farmers may secure the account book either from their county agricultural agents or direct from the farm management department at the college. The books will be distributed at cost, 20 cents each.

Americas to Join in Studying Tropical Ills

Panama.—In the place where Americans conquered yellow fever the nations of Latin America will join the United States in beginning active research to combat all sorts of tropical diseases.

The community project is the Gorgas Memorial Institute of Tropical and Preventive Medicine. Beginning of research immediately is made possible by the government of Panama in assigning for temporary use of the institute the newly completed National School of Medicine building. Ultimately Panama plans erection of a permanent laboratory for the institute costing \$500,000.

Relics Unearthed.

Frankfort-on-Main.—Excavations at Ruesselsheim, near Frankfort, have brought to light various relics from the Bronze age. They include two bronze bracelets, spiral rings and a four-inch-long clock needle. The finds date from the period of 1800 to 900 B. C.

Hogs Reach Weight Needed For Honors

MICHIGAN PIGS REACH TON-LITTER MARK IN PORK PRODUCING MARATHON.

Leon V. Brady, Unionville, is the winner of the 1928 Michigan ton-litter contest. Thirteen Chester White pigs which weighed 2805 pounds at six months of age brought home the bacon for the Unionville man.

High priced feeds and low priced pork reduced the farmers interest in the ton-litter contests this year and the number of contestants was lower than in previous years. The winning lot of pigs received skim milk, whole oats, and barley after weaning and were finished on barley.

Other leaders in the contest and the weights reached by their pigs were: Harry Ward, McBain, 2614; Bert Parker, Mason, 2451; Fred Shilling, Coldwater, two litters 2446 and 2328; John York, Portland, two litters 2335 and 2178; Warren Laubaugh, Hastings, 2290; Cox and Son, Coldwater, 2275; and H. S. Haas, Scotts, 2090.

Harry Ward, McBain, has entered the ton-litter contest five of the six years during which it has been conducted and each time has placed his pigs in the heavyweight class. The pigs which were owned by Bert Parker of Mason, were marketed 15 days before they were six months old in order to reach a better market.

The ton-litter contest in Michigan will be discontinued next year by the animal husbandry department at Michigan State College in favor of the pig crop contest which began this year.

Fountain Christmas Tree.

Lit by flood lamps, a tree-shaped fountain was a feature of last year's Christmas display at Fresno, Calif. The jets were arranged to fall in such a way that they resembled the drooping branches of a fir tree, while the lights produced an effect of solidity when directed upon the water.—Popular Mechanics Magazine.

Grass Builds Revetments.

Acres of land which is covered by the tide twice daily are gradually being won from the sea and turned into valuable soil for farming by means of a special kind of grass, says Popular Mechanics Magazine. It is a rush-like variety and collects mud about its fine roots and slender stalks. Inch by inch it builds up the shore level.

Postman Has to Swim.

Probably the only place where the postmen swim with the letters is the small island of Niuafoa of the Tonga group of the south Pacific. The island is completely surrounded by dangerous ocean currents, and it is impossible for a boat of any size to make a near approach.

The Spirit of Christmas Sways Martin's Store Today!

It's an art to select the right gift. Here are helpful suggestions—suggested to you because so very many women have selected them to fill their gift lists—"just what she would choose for herself."



Gift Gloves

Lovely New Styles

Fine, attractive slip-on styles and cuffed styles \$3.00-\$3.50
Warm Gloves, wool lined kid, smart looking as well as comfortable \$2.95-\$3.50

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She'll be proud to own one of these fine silk umbrellas. Fancy borders and novelty handles.

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Dainty Gift Handkerchiefs

The usual Christmas gift, yet distinctive if chosen from our lovely displays. See our display of these fascinating little things milady so greatly appreciates.

Lingerie

The gift for her very own self. Dainty silk undergarments that appeal to every feminine heart. She'll wear them and enjoy them. Crepe De Chine Gowns, Pajamas, Step-ins and Slips, "Carter's" Rayon Pajamas, Gowns, Bloomers, Vests and Slips. Long after Christmas she will delight in these lovely underthings.



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Personally selected for women who appreciate something smartly different.

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Alias Joe and His Christmas
By Clara Agee Hays

A NORTHWESTERN gate swept dry snow around the corner where old Joe sold papers. Shoppers in heavy wraps hurried past, arms loaded with bundles. Children slipped in anticipatory happiness. Old Joe pulled his worn sack coat about him and fastened it tighter with a piece of wire. His hands, in dirty outing mittens, were cold. He knocked the backs of them together gingerly and stamped his feet feebly on the icy walk.

"Paper! Evening Journal! Paper?" he droned monotonously. Mentally he figured his gain. Enough for a fifteen cent bed and sandwiches, maybe. But, tomorrow's being Christmas, nobody'd buy papers. He wanted to get enough to buy a little something to—his old face took on a foolish and shamed grin—maybe to make him happy and help him to forget just what an old beggar he was. Then, he wouldn't have to eat so much either. A vagabond. That's what he was. Never been much else—for years.

"Well, hello, Santa Claus!" a young man's voice hailed merrily.

Old Joe turned. "Paper?"

A laughing, well-dressed couple faced him. "Why, Jack!" the girl mischievously remonstrated.

"How are you, Uncle George?" her irreverent companion continued.

Old Joe grinned sheepishly behind his beard. "Wanna paper?" he asked.

"I say, Fran?" the youth exclaimed. "Here's our Christmas!" He drew her farther away and whispered. They returned. "Hey! How'd you like to come to our house for Christmas?"

They talked some time before they convinced old Joe that they meant it. Too cold to be proud, he even submitted to the bath and hair cut that Jack paid for. In a suit too small for Jack's father, Joe came abashed into the kitchen and ate.

"You see, Fran's my sister," explained Jack. "The folks went off on their Christmas spree and left us home. We told 'em, we'd do something rare for our celebration!"

Jack and Frances had eaten down town. It was late. Joe was given some blankets and put on a cot in the corner of Jack's long room.

In the night Joe awakened suddenly. Painfully, he raised and listened. "Hey you—Uncle George! Gosh, I'm sick!"



"Wh—Whar'd Ye Git This?" He Demanded.

Jack moaned. Old Joe turned the light on as he was told and called Frances. She wailed, "I can't come! I'm sick. I've been trying to call some one."

The next morning, the doctor on his second call, turned to an old man with a neatly trimmed beard and a clean suit. "They're all right, now, with the nurse here. It was something they ate last night."

Jack was better. He smiled faintly. "Well, the joke was on us, wasn't it, Uncle George? You did us the favor by getting the doctor here and running errands in the night. Before you go, step in the closet there and get my case."

Joe popped rheumatically out of the closet, wide-eyed, carrying not a case but an old enlargement. "Wh—Whar'd ye git this?" he demanded, hands trembling.

"Oh, that's why we call you Uncle George. You see, it's a habit we have to—er—sort of tease Dad. That's his brother, George. He ran away when he was young. Nobody's heard of him since. Dad says he was smart and sure to make his mark somewhere. One of these days, he says, Uncle George will drive up in a Rolls-Royce with enough hundred dollar bills to paper our house. Dad's actually proud of him. We are, rather, too. But we call—er—different fellows 'Uncle George' to make Dad—well, you see—" Jack stopped in embarrassment.

Old Joe nodded. "Wall, I gotta be goin'!"

"Wait! There's some money in my case. I want to pay you."

"Naw, jest come down an' buy papers of me ef you wanna help. I'm a gonna start savin' up to buy a stand."

Outside Joe's trembling hands opened an almost empty purse, and pulled out the small original of the enlargement upstairs. A tear contradicted the sheepish grin. "Wall, it's a good thing the fellers took to callin' me Joe, lately, stead of George," he told himself.

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Next to talking his business worries at home the biggest nuisance is the Plymouth man who talks his family affairs down town.

What ever became of the Plymouth girl who used to think it cute to wear her hair in the Sis Hopkins style?

You've also probably noticed that more lawsuits are brought to get even with somebody than...

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LOCAL CAGERS LOSE

Held almost open by Plymouth High school during the early part of their season Thursday night, December 13, the Northville basketball team came to life in the second half to win, 17 to 11.

Following the rest period, Northville played like a different team, rushing the local boys off their feet by fast passing and shifty playing.

Plymouth (11) Northville (17) Johnson L. F. McCordle Knapp R. F. Watts Sockow C. G. LeFevre Foster L. G. Wolfson Beegle R. G. Levenworth

Score, first half—Northville 9, Plymouth 4. Field Goals—Knapp, Johnson, DePorter, Sockow, Beegle, Watt, McCordle 3, LeFevre 4. Free throws—Knapp 3, LeFevre 1.

Substitutions—Plymouth: DePorter, Johnson, Northville, Toshka, for Levenworth.

Referee—Doran (Ypsilanti). Umpire—Miller (Ypsilanti).

SECOND TEAM GAME

Plymouth's second team also lost to Northville, but by a much closer score of 8 to 7.

Making five points on free throws decided who should gain the victory for Plymouth easily out-played their opponents throughout the game. This game was very fast, with plenty of excitement developing every minute.

Plymouth (7) Northville (8) Randall L. F. Greenlee Gates R. F. Fredenburg Straub C. Riffenburg Dicks L. G. Cavell Ferguson R. G. Tiffin

Score, first half—Northville 6, Plymouth 5. Field goals—Tiffin, Dicks, Straub, Randall. Free throws—Straub, Fredenburg 2, Greenlee, Cavell, Riffenburg 2.

Substitutions—Plymouth: Partridge for Gates, Cline for Straub, Straub for Partridge. Northville: Lemon for Fredenburg, Tocslewski for Tiffin.

Referee—Doran (Ypsilanti). Umpire—Miller (Ypsilanti).

MY TRIP TO THE MEAT MARKET.

Mary Nell Coats, 9A Cooking. Monday morning Mrs. Dykehouse took the ninth grade cooking class to Stever's meat market to see how the different pieces of meat are cut and also to see "behind the counter" of a meat market.

We left the school around 9 o'clock and walked down to the market. As it happened it was raining very hard, and at first I thought it was going to be an "all wet" trip, but the fun I had at the store, and the knowledge I received, made me realize that it had not been.

When we arrived we were first conducted to the back part of the shop, which they call the kitchen, and watched Mr. Stever grind up some hamburger. Then we visited the refrigerator room, where the process of corned-beef making was explained to us.

Later we returned to the front of the shop and watched our guide cut up a chicken, which really took only about two minutes. The short length of time it took to cut up the chickens interested me, for a few weeks this has been our lesson in cooking class, and I know that it took my cooking partner and I a good hour to disjoint the fowl which was destined to us.

Next we had the fond pleasure of seeing one whole piece of beef cut into different roasts and steaks. All the while that this was going on our guide, Mr. Stever, lectured to us about the different cuts. After hearing the interesting story about how the cows and pigs were killed and dressed at the packing house we resumed our way back to the school. Every one of the girls agreed that they would like to go on such an excursion often.

SPEECH TEACHERS' ACTIVITIES.

The Teachers of Speech association of the Detroit district held a luncheon meeting at Webster hall, in Detroit, Saturday last, Dec. 15. Professor Matjakens, of the University of Michigan, spoke on "Speech as a Science," treating chiefly on the reactions of the audience to the speakers, both as to delivery and content. Professor Demore, of the University of Michigan, spoke on "The Ultimate Purpose of the Michigan State High School Debating League," which is to make speech courses compulsory in Michigan high schools.

IN STEP WITH THE TUNE.

A Girl Reserve can always find something to do. At present the Senior Girl Reserves are making scrap books to interest some little youngsters at Christmas time. Besides this their intention is to make some poor children happy by giving them gifts. By doing this they not only give someone else pleasure but get a great deal themselves wrapping up the gifts attractively and knowing and feeling proud of the fact that they are making a Christmas merry for some individuals.

One of the things that all Girl Reserve Clubs are looking forward to is the mid-winter conference at Sardinia, January 13 and 14. Ruth Hamilton and Irene Krauter, together with Mrs. Crumley, have been chosen from the Senior Club to go.

IT WORKS

"Day by day in every way we are getting better and better." And that is the truth, thanks to the Student Council and the other organizations who are cooperating with it.

During the noon hour there used to be much noise and confusion in the corridors of the first floor due to the congregating of students who came before 12:30. Now this has been eradicated by a new plan which is being enforced. Entertainment is furnished in the auditorium between 12:00 and 12:30 for the rural students. At the present time it is basket ball played by the Physical Training classes. A study hall is provided on the third floor for all who wish to study during this time. Also pupils belonging in the grade building are not permitted in the high school. To see that these regulations are obeyed, the Girl Reserves and H-Y boys alternately act as monitors in the halls and auditorium.

A TRIP TO THE MUSEUM.

"Hey, wait a minute here comes some one." Our official lookout, Jannette McLeod, had spied Mildred Towle dashing breathlessly after the Detroit seven-twenty bus. Again Miss Asman counted noses and sighed, "all here at last." Time passed quickly as eleven tongues gossiped their way to Detroit. "Say, hasn't that driver overcharge us? We are only going to the Public Library and that isn't down town." Alas the hard hearted bus driver would not relent and return our shekels.

The Public Library and the Museum not being open until nine o'clock, we took the elevator as far as it would go and then walked the rest of the way up the Maccabee Building to WGHF where instead of broadcasting, an exhibition of floor scrubbing was going on. After giving the Detroit skyline the once over, we returned to the Museum just as the gates were opening.

In the Garden Court was that marvelous statue, "The Thinker" by Rodin. Two large tapestries showing scenes in ecclesiastical history were hanging on either side of it. The iron doors leading to the Roman Court were designed especially for the Museum and made under the personal supervision of a noted artist. Birds and squirrels pecked in and out of the iron meshes of the gate, through which could be seen an entrancing fountain and a pool filled with gold fish.

Leading off the Garden Court was the Medieval art room containing tapestries, wood carvings, statuary, and a large carved wedding chest. A series of tapestries showed scenes from the famed Helen of Troy's life. From there we wandered through rooms of medieval art to one of France in the period of Louis the Sixteenth, and then into an English interior. Of special interest in the English room were some early watches and a Grandfather clock.

A short staircase led from the French room to a section devoted to Flemish and Dutch art. Occupying the central position was a large banquet table on top of which were tankards and bowls of exquisite silver work.

The culture of the Ancient ages next claimed our attention. We passed through rooms of Roman, Greek and Egyptian Period. The mummy cases, necklaces and clay tablets were of special interest in the Egyptian room. The Greek skill in pottery was shown by their beautiful and elaborate vases. A Greek helmet brought to mind the Grecian military fame. In the Roman room we saw a bust of Augustus Caesar as a young boy with a most modern haircut.

Other ancient civilizations were represented such as the Hindoo, Aztec, and other central American races. Through the Oriental settings of Persian, Chinese, and Japanese Art we entered an old Colonial kitchen and then into a dining room of Revolutionary days from which we visited a delightfully quaint home of a Philadelphia Patriot. This house of four rooms was completely furnished even to a tea table set for two. Early American paintings then engaged our attention and we progressed to the twentieth century where not only paintings were exhibited but also metal, silver and bronze work.

It was time for the movie entitled, "The Gateway to the West," which portrayed the gaining of the Ohio Valley by the English during the French and Indian war. George Washington, then a young Colonel, was our hero, and his every action was greeted with loud applause by the many children there.

The other modern paintings furnished a highly entertaining diversion to the nearly famished travelers. The purple cows and spotted dogs as well

as the moronic appearing lady and green-faced, red-whiskered gentlemen made us laugh our hunger away. Indeed we even picked up enough courage to visit the library before we tramped ten (?) miles to the Statler Hotel, where the majority dined on trips. We again succumbed to laughter when we gazed upon the antics of two college initiates, who having called attention to themselves by means of a drama, performed the most ridiculous stunts to the huge enjoyment of the on-lookers. A lengthy and rather hot debate now ensued about the choice of a show. The majority ruled and for the next three hours we were entertained at the Fox which before leaving we explored from top to bottom. Thoughts of food again assailed us and so we descended in an avalanche upon "Cunningham's."

We threaded our way through the gathering dusk to the thirty-first floor of the Book Cadillac Hotel where we listened in on the radio concert from the Blue Room below and gazed at the sidewalks of Detroit. Before us stretched the twinkling myriads of lights. We fell with the elevator to the lobby and then rushed pell-mell to the bus only to find that we had an hour and forty minutes to wait. Frenziedly Miss Asman racked her brain to devise means to while away the time. After tramping weary miles and gazing longingly at mechanical dolls and imported toys, we returned to the bus stop. While warming ourselves and busily talking in the lobby of the Stuber-Detroit, Peggy Joyce passed through our midst and we knew her not until our lookout exclaimed five minutes later, "Did you see Peggy?" She escaped being manhandled by the opportune arrival of the Plymouth bus. We clambered aboard and listened to a little boy tell stories all the way home. Arriving at nine o'clock our worn out stockings proclaimed it "time to retire."

Evelyn Ash, Lorraine Corbett.

CIRCULATING CHRISTMAS

Want to hear something sweet? The 8 B girls in the cooking class are making candy. Yes, candy, divinity and chocolate fudge. And the 7 B girls in the sewing class are making one hundred red net stockings trimmed with green. Christmas candy plus Christmas stockings equal a nice gift for each of the little inmates in the Northville Sanatorium. The classes are also putting nuts, oranges and apples in them. These will be sent along with dolls and scrapbooks that the girls have made. This is being done under the direction of Mrs. Dykehouse whose classes cooperated for a very estimable cause.

HISTORY POINTERS

A real Christmas spirit was displayed when the Historical Characters club voted to use their money in the treasury to supply Miss Lyke's History classes with posters. These are to be made during the club meetings as part of that club's program instead of using outside funds.

Here are a few historical facts that have been left out of our text and probably always will, because they happen to be answers to examination questions that Miss Lyke presented to one of her classes the other day. Even if your "American History" is getting sort of rusty, see if you can get a good laugh out of these: "The 10th amendment was a suggestion of John Quincy Adams." Of course we know that he reigned in the 18th century when America was still in her youth.

"Sutler's Mill was the man who invented free schools." Sometimes poets speak of man as a "human mill" but students seldom make the reference. "Mary Lyons founded a girl's 'cemetery.'" Substitute "seminary" for "cemetery" and you'd have a correct statement.

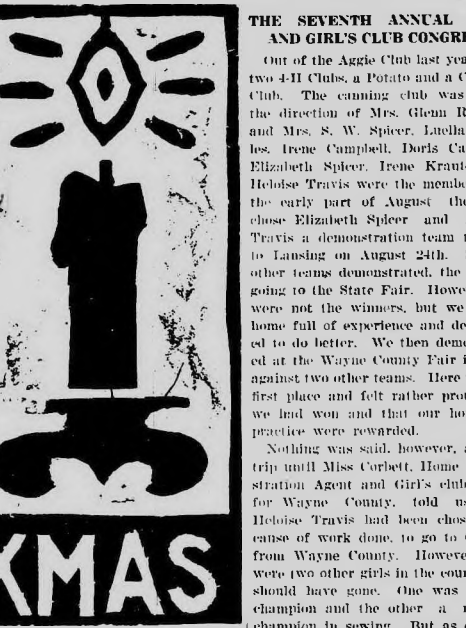
Ab! History! What deficiencies are committed in thy name!

A TRIP.

Rain could not stop the high school cooking girls, so slickers, umbrellas, boots and girls all went marching down to Stever's meat market Monday morning, Dec. 17. Arriving at the market about 8:50, we spent a very interesting hour watching Mr. Stever cut the different kinds of meat. As he made the different cuts he explained fully each one, including the price and the ways in which it could be used. Mr. Stever told us of the long, hard journey a young pig has to make before he lays between a blanket of thin slices of bread and lettuce in our picnic lunch basket. After going through the ice box and asking questions we walked back to the school house, arriving a little wetter and a lot wiser.

SENIOR REC CLUB

The Senior Rec Club is going to have a Christmas Pot Luck at Irene Larson's home. They have invited the Junior Rec Club to enjoy this party with them and they expect to have a splendid time. Santa Claus is to be there too, with a Christmas Tree.



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HL-Y

The H-Y club is planning to provide a scorecard for the school in connection with their program of service. They are going either to resurrect an old one or get a new one so that when we have basketball games we will know what the score is. Last Tuesday the H-Y club had an initiation in the auditorium for new fellows. The following were installed: Kenneth Gust Frederick Shear Gerald Hondorp Charles Root Louis Straub Frank Clemens Gale Kenyon Teddy Baughn Richard Smith Russell Wallace Basil Cline Fred Blich Richard Hewer Claude Rocker

FASHION PARADE

In blue, pink, green, red and yellow, the 7A girls paraded before the sewing room the other day. They made them all themselves under the direction of Miss Birkenhauser. This was their first problem and it was sort of a dressmaking contest sponsored by the Butterick people, whose patterns these gowns were cut from. Before the girls even started to fashion them, however, a discussion was held in class, where the styles and colors which different types should wear were discussed. One should cultivate their taste in dress according to the coloring and the figure of the wearer. Why do so many stout people like wide stripes and bright hues? There were no such mistakes made here, and you should see how nice they look. Since the girls have learned to do dressmaking for themselves there will be lots of new dresses this summer.

MUSIC

Last week the High School Girls Double Quartette sang at the D. A. R. on Monday afternoon and at the Eastern Star on Tuesday evening. Maynard Larkins played his violin at the Eastern Star also.

CAROLING!

Christmas Eve and candles, Christmas trees and stockings, and with these caroling. All the Girl Reserve groups and the H-Y and Torch clubs are going to sing carols on Christmas Eve.

THE JUNIOR CLASS TURNS OVER A NEW LEAF.

We will soon be bidding farewell to the old year, but the memories which it brought to us through our activities at this season are foremost in our minds. Yet we do not regret turning this new leaf, for in so doing we find many worthwhile things awaiting foremost among which are the two remaining numbers of the Entertainment Course. Lew Saret, on January twenty-ninth, and Vierra's Hallwalls on February fifth. Sometimes in the early New Year we anticipate an enjoyable "fleece" given by the "Beds" to the "Blues"; later will come the J-Hop, and the Junior-Senior Banquet.

While we realize the fact as did the Grecian goddesses of old, that in the Junior year, the way of knowledge is painful and the beaten path of learning thorn-laden and strewn with builders, our eyes have ever been directed toward that shining goal—the rose strewn path of the senior year. On our new page we inscribe the season's greetings. The Junior Class.

Montgomery Ward's for breakfast and a tour through the plant; then they enjoyed a 44-mile ride out to the model farm of the Public Service Company of Illinois. In the meantime the boys had visited the Corn Products Refining Company at Argo, Illinois. That night was a club party on the 19th floor of Hotel La Salle. It was a masquerade and many clever costumes were to be seen—one girl especially, who impersonated a bare-foot boy going fishing. She did it, too, including the sure toe. On Thursday the group were guests of the International Harvester Company going through the whole plant and then having luncheon there. The officers and directors of the company were there including C. H. McCormick and his son. That evening the officials of several railroads gave the club members a banquet at the Palmer House at which Mr. George K. Cherry, famous explorer, told and showed slides about his trip with Colonel Roosevelt to South America. One afternoon they also visited the Art Museum.

By Friday everyone was ready to go home. Nearly the entire Michigan group left Friday morning on the same train and coming home we reviewed the honors we had carried off which included Billy Tobias winning the national health championship among boys. The canning and potato exhibit also won first place and eleven-year-old Norma Forstle took first place for the making of the best cotton school dress. And as the train rolled swiftly on, the Michigan group were certainly proud of the showing Michigan had made and determined to make a better one next year.

A DEBATE SUMMARY.

At the beginning of the year 11 high school students turned out for debating, while at the present time there are only eight pupils working. Harold Hubert, Alice Gilbert, Ruth Root, Rhea Peck and Margaret Dunning, seniors, and Lester Daly, Doris Williams, Lawrence Rudick, Maurine Dunn, Helen Biery and Jewell Rengert, sophomores, started the season. At the present time Harold Hubert, Alice Gilbert, Ruth Root, Lester Daly, Doris Williams, Lawrence Rudick, Maurine Dunn and Ruth Hetsler are working on the question. Ruth Hetsler, a 10-A pupil, joined directly after the Dearborn debate.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

An interesting play was given by the Drama Club for the General assembly last week. The play was entitled, "Neighbors" written by Zona Gale and the members of the cast were: Miss Able—Winona Kenter. Grandma—Dora Gallimore. Inez—Velma Pez. Peter—Russell Wallace. Miss Trot—Ruth Hamilton. Miss Moran—Marion Teft. Miss Ellsworth—Catherine Nieb. Ezra Williams—Ced Packard. The setting for the play was a town and the play was about the interest the people have in each other. A great stir is aroused by the possibility of Miss Ellsworth's nephew coming to live with her, but all the neighbors preparations for this event are in vain.

Peter is in love with Inez and he is too bashful to talk to her about everyday matters he seems to be a dreadful fix when he tries to tell her he loves her. During all excitement about Miss Ellsworth's nephew, he finally gets enough nerve to tell her, and all the neighbors help was not in vain.

Maynard Larkins played two fifteen selections on his violin, Kosary, and "The Gypsy Love from 'The Fortune Teller'."

GRADE SCHOOL NOTES

Just a few days 'til Santa makes his yearly visit. The air seems to be full of the Christmas spirit and of course every one is looking forward to vacation. Friday all the rooms will have their Christmas parties with the trees which were decorated Tuesday and Wednesday.

Miss Wilmore has had another boy leave and she now has twenty-three in her morning class and thirty-one in the afternoon.

The children in Mrs. Root's room are using their seatwork pads again. This time they are pasting pictures in their proper places for training in following directions.

Santa Claus has been invited to their party and the children are anxiously waiting for Friday to see if he will come.

Scarlet poinsettias, heavily laden with berries are every where decorating Mrs. Blossom's room and the children have made a Christmas tree calendar and are counting the long days 'til Christmas Day. In connection with this the children are studying the lovely picture, "Holy Night," by Carnegia. At the beginning of the year Bob Kenyon presented the room with a geranium. The children have cared for it and are now rewarded by two large crimson blossoms.

A committee of three has been chosen to get the Christmas tree for Miss Fenner's room and another committee of four to decorate it. The black-board border is of Santa Clauses and candles, and wreaths made by the class decorate the windows. In the second spelling contest, team five is ahead again. The room reporters for the week were Esther Bichy and Anna Margaret Ruse.

The two hundred word essay written by Miss Hallahan's pupils is receiving quite a bit of consideration and progressing nicely. The 6 A made product-maps on Australia. Ninety-five per cent of the room has received one hundred all month in spelling. Room reporter for the week was Eileen Archer.

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Trade And Industry Faces New Year With Prosperous Outlook

CONTINUANCE OF HEALTHY BUSINESS CYCLE INDICATED BY REVIEW OF GENERAL CONDITIONS IN STATE.

By WAYNE W. PUTNAM
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Generally speaking, the year 1928 has been a period of accomplishment and prosperity. It will be remembered that considerable unemployment and dullness in trade marked the opening weeks of the year and that there was some apprehension concerning the economic outlook. Spirited activity, however, in the steel, automobile and building industries in the spring accelerated the movement of the business pendulum. Unemployment soon began to disappear and the tone of business improved steadily as the year wore on.

New Records Seen

The customary recession during the summer months was conspicuously absent and business entered the fall with considerable vigor which was well maintained throughout the autumn. There has been some slowing up in industry during the last two weeks but not to the extent as unusual at this season. On the other hand, trade, quickened by purchases for the holidays, has been making an excellent showing. The year, accordingly, closes much more brilliantly than it opened, with evidence of new high records being established in numerous lines.

Much sober thought is being given to the course that business will likely take in the new year. During the next few weeks industry will be occupied with inventory taking and year-end changes which will result in some quietness. Trade will probably relax for a short time after the holidays. But beyond this what are the prospects? If business were to pursue a downward course after the turn of the year, we would expect to find in the wind a majority of the following straws: labor inefficiency, numerous strikes for higher wages, over-production, heavy borrowing, mounting prices, rising costs and excessive inventories.

Labor Is Efficient

Labor has never been more efficient nor have real wages been as high as at the present time. Furthermore, the relationship between employer and employee has never been more friendly and peaceful. There is some over-production, none of recent origin, however, but intelligent co-operation is pointing out paths leading toward a solution of the problems involved.

Corporations for the most part are not borrowing heavily, the majority of them being in a good cash position. Earnest consideration is being given to volume but more attention is being paid to overhead in order to insure an adequate profit. There is no evidence of price inflation. Business firms have not forgotten the lesson learned in 1920 with respect to excessive inventories. There is, accordingly, very little to indicate a downward movement in the business cycle. On the other hand there are sufficient factors of a stimulating character to indicate that trade and industry during the first half of 1929 will hold to a level close to that which has prevailed during the past six months.

Continued Prosperity

The prospects for the continuance of prosperity in 1929 would be further heightened by easier credit conditions. If the recent break in the stock market should continue until security prices are forced to a lower level, the present strain on the credit situation would be relieved and interest rates would be more favorable to business expansion. There is nothing to indicate, however, that credit will not be ample for all legitimate requirements at rates which, although firm, will not place a serious restraint on business enterprise.

Business as a whole in Michigan continues in large volume and shows a marked gain compared with this time last year. Manufacturing throughout the state is holding up remarkably well. Some seasonal slackening is in evidence but the curtailment is less than usual. Production schedules in most lines for the new year are quite heavy. Automobile factories are busy with preparations for the new models. The whole automotive industry is looking forward to a large volume of business in 1929.

Plants Working Overtime

Furniture factories at Grand Rapids are operating slightly under normal. Radio plants are running night and day. Showcase and store fixture factories are curtailing production. Activity in agricultural implement plants is at a high level. Numerous pattern, tool and machine shops are working overtime. Paper mills at Kalamazoo are running full time. Forty per cent of the Jackson factories are working overtime. Muskegon and Benton Harbor report 10 and 15 per cent overtime respectively. The copper mining situation continues healthy. Lumbering operations are practically at a standstill on account of a lack of snow.

November output of cars and trucks in the United States and Canada is

estimated at 276,000 units. The total production for the first eleven months of this year amounted to approximately 4,363,000 vehicles. Output for the entire year is expected to exceed the high record established in 1926 by 150,000 units.

Industrial consumption of electric power in Michigan in November totaled 190,322,779 kilowatt hours, a decrease of 8 1/2 per cent compared with October but a gain of 40 per cent over November last year.

Employment Is Good

The general employment situation continues good. Forty-three cities report no change in industrial employment in November as compared with the preceding month. Increases were reported by 15 cities and decreases by seven. Factory workers in Detroit according to the December 14th report of the Employers' Association, now total 268,630 as compared with 197,879 a year ago and 202,800 two years ago.

An active building program in Michigan during the winter is indicated by reports received from 21 Michigan cities which issued permits in November aggregating \$15,000,680 as compared with \$11,423,367 for the same month in 1927.

Bank debts to individual accounts in Detroit, Flint, Adrian, Bay City, Muskegon, Grand Rapids and Kalamazoo, for November totaled \$1,880,478,000 as against \$1,420,525,000 for the same month a year ago.

Trade, wholesale and retail, in recent weeks has been good to excellent in manufacturing cities but only fair in most of the rural communities. Collections are fair to good. Lower temperatures and holiday purchases are proving effective stimulants and a large volume of retail trade is indicated for December.—Detroit Free Press.

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