

PROPOSED NEW AUTO LIABILITY PLAN

Would Call for Financial Pledge on Securing License.

The indications are that a substitute bill for compulsory insurance on the part of motorists, will be introduced in the coming legislature by H. M. Lucius, Secretary of the Automobile Club of Maryland. A compulsory insurance bill was defeated by the last legislature, and the proposed measure is claimed to be an improvement.

In his reasons given for the new proposition Mr. Lucius claims that the Massachusetts compulsory insurance law has been a failure; that it has not decreased accidents; has caused more reckless driving; given rise to many crooked claims; and that the very compulsory features of it can be compared to a court that enforces all citizens to pay fines in advance.

The proposed measure, according to Mr. Lucius, would pledge each motorist to liability not exceeding \$500 for personal injury or death. The penalty for failure to meet the pledged liability within ninety days would be permanent revocation of the motorist's operating license.

To operate his plan, the Legislature would have to force each operator to file with the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles a new application for license with the following clause inserted:

"I hereby agree to hold myself financially responsible up to the sum of \$2,500, so long as a permit to operate an automobile is granted me, for the specific purpose of paying any damages that may be awarded in the event I am wholly responsible for an accident resulting in damage to property not exceeding \$500 and personal injury or death not exceeding \$2,000."

An amendment to the motor vehicle laws would give the commissioner power to revoke the driver's license permanently in the event the operator fails to pay the damages. The clerks of the courts, upon entering final judgment, would notify the commissioner of the action and then, if the damages are paid within ninety days, the operator would be reinstated.

Such a plan might work in case all auto drivers were financially responsible; but if not, the only penalty would be the loss of their license. No doubt some drivers of this class would voluntarily take out insurance, in order to prevent the possible loss of license, but many would take the chance and not do so. It would seem that such a law would be better than none, even if not fully protective to the public.

A Sunday Fire Alarm.

Our Fire Company was called to Detour, last Sunday night, the cause of the fire being the burning of an implement shed along the railroad, owned by Jacob Myerly. The Union Bridge Company was called first and had the fire under control when the Taneytown Company arrived. No buildings were destroyed but the one large shed, partly due to the calmness of the air. It is reported that a Frederick Company arrived later.

Many of the members of the local Company were in the churches when the alarm was sounded, and as the congregations did not know whether the fire was in or out of town, both the Reformed and Lutheran pastors closed the services. The U. B. Church had more information, and the S. S. Christmas service was continued.

Another thing that added to the confusion was that the fire bell was tapped a few times, and then the siren alarm was given. As to the latter, the most of the comment we have heard is that the bell is better than the siren, and that the latter would represent unnecessary expense. The general sentiment also is that the alarms should tell whether a fire is in town or in the country.

Week of Prayer in Taneytown.

The churches of Taneytown will unite as usual in services for the Week of Prayer. These services will begin on Sunday evening, January 6, and close Sunday evening, January 13th. The schedule is as follows:

Sunday, Jan. 6—United Brethren Church. Rev. A. T. Sutcliffe will preach the sermon.

Monday, Jan. 7—United Brethren Church. Rev. Guy P. Bready will speak on "Thanksgiving and Humiliation."

Tuesday, Jan. 8—Reformed Church. Rev. George A. Brown, will speak on "The Church Universal."

Wednesday, Jan. 9—Reformed Church. Rev. Thomas T. Brown will speak on "Nations and Governments"

Thursday, Jan. 10, Presbyterian Church. Rev. A. T. Sutcliffe will speak on "Foreign Missions."

Friday, Jan. 11—Presbyterian Church. Rev. Guy P. Bready will speak on "Schools, Colleges and the Young People."

Saturday, Jan. 12—Lutheran Church Rev. Thomas T. Brown will speak on "Home Missions."

Sunday, Jan. 13—Lutheran Church Rev. George A. Brown will preach the sermon.

All the services begin at 7:30 P. M. Everyone is cordially invited to attend all these services.

If we knew what 1929 holds for us, some would be unnecessarily happy, and more perhaps would be unnecessarily sad.

If experience is a good teacher some of us ought to be a lot brighter by this time than we appear to be.

AUTO TAXES AND TAGS

Autoists Complain of Too Much Confusion in System.

This year an unusual amount of trouble has been experienced by autoists both in getting their application blanks and the new tags; and many applications were sent out for autos long since sold, and some came to persons who have died. Evidently, the system needs simplifying and perhaps more attention on the part of auto owners, while some think there is confusion in the office of the Automobile Commission itself. The following, in last week's Hampstead Enterprise, gives some of the causes of complaint.

"It seems, that last year, the question of getting new tags became complicated, more so, in the county than in the city. It has become a law that all taxes must be paid upon automobiles before tags will be issued by the Automobile Commissioners. But even with the paying of these taxes the motorist is still somewhat up a tree as to what is the correct method in securing tags.

Last year when Carroll County car owners received their application blanks, some were stamped "taxes paid," while in other cases the blank had to be sent to Westminster to be stamped even if the taxes had previously been paid.

But this year none of the blanks were stamped, necessitating a trip to the county seat or mailing the blanks to the tax office for the "tax paid," stamp.

If this same procedure is necessary next year many motorists in this section have declared their intentions of deferring the paying of automobile taxes until the application for the new tags are received.

Many who paid their taxes in the summer, mislaid or lost their receipt, they then had difficulty in getting their application stamped. The claim, if they wait until the new blanks arrive, next year, before paying taxes, there will be no worry of lost receipts."

No Hunting January 1st.

Usually at this season of the year, the State Game Department of Maryland receives numerous inquiries concerning the close of the legal hunting season for upland game. Numerous sportsmen are under the impression that they have the privilege of hunting on January 1st. This, if course, is erroneous as the open season for the hunting or killing of all upland game, jacksnipe, squirrel, dove, woodcock, Chinese ring-neck pheasants, ruffed grouse, rabbits, wild turkey, and bobwhite quail is November 10th, to December 31st, inclusive. Therefore, December 31st, is the last legal hunting day for upland game this season in the State of Maryland.

Therefore, any person found hunting upland game after one-half hour after sunset on December 31st, will be prosecuted for violation of the game law.

Section 62, Chapter 568, Acts of 1927, provide for an open season on muskrat and otter from January 1st to March 15th, inclusive. This section also provides for an open season on raccoon and opossum, namely: November 1st to January 31st, inclusive. The open season for wild fowl is November 1st to January 31 inclusive.—E. Lee LeCompte, State Game Warden.

Bids for Charles Carroll School.

There are nine bidders on the new Charles Carroll School building; N. C. Erb, Westminster, \$45,390; Luther Sacks, Gettysburg, \$46,375; O. H. Hostetter, Hanover, \$51,778; Edward E. Stuller, Taneytown \$52,428; Samuel W. Eline, Littlestown, \$54,299; I. H. Crouse & Son, Littlestown, \$59,749; Hoffman Bros., \$60,749; Thomas Hicks & Son, Baltimore, \$61,861; McCall & Watts, Baltimore, \$80,000.

Three bids for the plumbing were received; J. H. Allender Sons Co., \$2,616; Allison & Harner, Taneytown \$2,947; Jos. B. Elliot, Taneytown, \$3,375.

Hyder Family History.

A good many years ago The Record office printed "A Family History" for Miss Ella Beam—a history mainly of the Hyder and Delaplane families. There were but 25 copies printed and these were given away by the author. Just now a Historical Society in Cincinnati, Ohio, is very anxious to add this book to its collection of genealogies. Perhaps some one has a copy that they would care to donate for the purpose. We are not sure, but perhaps the Society would pay a reasonable price for a copy.

To Get Good Chicks.

Begin now to give special attention to feeding the breeders of the poultry flock, if you want early hatches and chicks of good quality, says the U. S. Department of Agriculture. The ration for breeders should have somewhat less corn meal and meat scraps than that for the layers. On the other hand, milk, minerals and green feed are of particular importance in the breeding ration. It is very desirable to have an abundance of vitamins in the breeding ration, and 2 quarts of cod-liver oil added to every 100 pounds of mash will enable the breeders to utilize the minerals in the ration. Direct sunlight is beneficial and all breeders should be allowed outdoors as much as possible. If the ground is covered with snow, keep the windows of the poultry house open whenever possible. Yearling birds usually produce better chicks than pullets, and if fed a good breeding ration during January, February and March should produce hatching eggs of the highest quality.

MORE UNEMPLOYMENT IN FREDERICK

The same Condition Likely Present in Many Cities.

Unemployment in Frederick is prevalent at this time, it was learned Saturday from many local organizations to which great numbers of persons have applied for work. Many applications have been made to Mayor Lloyd C. Culler, who stated that the unemployment question was decidedly worse than last Christmas. Applications are also being made to the Salvation Army, Children's Aid Society, Charities Organization, Chamber of Commerce, and other organizations.

Mayor Culler said that of the large number of applicants for jobs, quite a few were former residents of Baltimore, Washington, Hagerstown and sections of Frederick county, as well as this city. Few could be found work as there is little being done that needs workmen at this time, and jobs secured for them were mostly of a temporary nature, it was learned. So anxious were several out-of-town men to get employment that two applied to the Mayor to allow them to distribute the city's baskets to the poor.

More persons than ever have sought work through the assistance of Miss Florence E. Garner, Charities' Organization nurse, during the past several days. Both men and women are in need of work, and many of the large industries of Frederick have none to give them. It was reported after a survey of a number of plants. All stated that no extra help was needed, and that, although regular employees were being retained, no extra help would be added. After Christmas, it is expected conditions will improve. Various manufacturing concerns have been laying off helpers for a short time periodically, it was learned, and unemployment is rather general in nature.

While many have applied to Miss Garner at different times for work, since last Spring women have been coming in large numbers. Most of them are seeking washing and have none to do since silk underwear has become so popular it is cleaned in the home of its owners, and electric washing machines are replacing the "wash-man." The men who apply for work are usually young married or middle aged men who are unskilled laborers, it was said.—Frederick News.

"Inside" Information for Women.

Roast stuffed breast of lamb is an appetizing and economical meat. Have the butcher crack the bones so that the meat may be carved between the ribs, and also make a slit under the skin close to the rib bones for a pocket to hold the stuffing. Fill this cavity with a savory forcemeat stuffing, utilizing the meat from the fore-shank, sew it up, and bake the roast slowly in an uncovered pan without water.

Everybody likes hashed potatoes, but not everyone knows how to prepare them. Cook 4 medium sized potatoes in their skins until tender. Remove the skins and chop the potatoes very fine, with 4 tablespoons of onion, also chopped fine, and season with ¼ teaspoon salt, or to taste, and ¼ teaspoon pepper. Melt 2 tablespoons butter in a smooth skillet and add ¼ cup hot water. Put the potatoes in, in a thin even layer, and cook over a low flame until golden brown. Fold the potato over like an omelet and then turn onto a hot platter. Garnish with parsley.

Chestnut stuffing for turkey is preferred by many people to plain bread stuffing, and for the Christmas dinner it helps make the menu seem different and festive. The following ingredients are needed, says the Bureau of Home Economics, which gives the directions for preparing the stuffing: Six cups fine dry crumbs; 2 cups chopped celery and tops; 2 tablespoons parsley; one-half cup butter or one-quarter cup butter and one-fourth cup turkey fat; 4 tablespoons minced onion; 1½ teaspoons salt; ¼ teaspoon pepper; ½ teaspoon savory seasoning; 2 cups chestnuts coarsely chopped (or more if desired).

Cook the chestnuts in boiling water to cover for 15 to 20 minutes, and remove the shell and the brown skin while hot. Melt the butter in a skillet and cook the onion, parsley, and celery for 5 minutes, stirring frequently. Combine the bread crumbs, chestnuts, and seasonings and add to the celery mixture and continue stirring until the ingredients are thoroughly mixed. Fill the turkey with the hot stuffing.

If the turkey will not hold the full quantity of stuffing, place it in a greased baking dish, bake until brown, and serve with the turkey.

Boiling water or hot cloths are effective treatments for frozen water pipes. Always thaw pipes toward the supply, opening a faucet to show when the flow starts, advises the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Never thaw the middle of a frozen pipe first, because expansion of the water confined by ice on both sides may burst the pipe.

THE STATE ROADS CASE

Still Before Grand Jury Without Information to Public.

The roads case investigation was taken up again, on Wednesday, by the Grand Jury, the witnesses heard being Thomas A. Butler and Charles L. Robins now serving penitentiary terms as a result of the first trial, who were followed by John N. Mackall former Chairman of the State Roads Commission and now its Chief Engineer.

Mr. Mackall was again before the Jury on Thursday. Raymond E. North, professional auditor, who has worked on the case, was also called. None of the proceedings before the Jury "leaked" to the newspaper reporters, so it is not known to what extent new leads are being followed, nor whether old ground is being gone over.

So far as is known the shortage still remains at \$376,000. It is also unknown to the outside whether the charge that contracts were illegally let, is being considered. It is reported that the case may continue until the second Friday in January.

Proceedings of the Orphans' Court.

Monday, Dec. 24, 1928.—Ober S. Herr, surviving executor of Elizabeth Trump, deceased, reported sale of real estate on which the Court issued order n. si.

William H. Lippy, executor of Sarah Keller, deceased, returned inventories of personal property and debts due.

Laura C. Schaeffer and George E. Schaeffer, executors of George E. Schaeffer, deceased, settled their first account.

Eleanor Wisner, administratrix of Sherman Wisner, deceased, settled her first and final account, returned inventory personal property, received order to sell same and returned report of sale.

James E. Fogle, administrator of Sarah E. Myers, deceased, settled his first and final account and returned inventory money.

Annie E. Watz, Irvin E. Wantz and Ada C. Myers, administrators of Robert M. Wantz, deceased, returned inventories debts due and current money.

Allen E. Boose, received order of Court to draw funds.

High School Offers Education for Retail-Store Service.

Retail selling, a 2-year course open to third and fourth year girls in Eastern and Western High Schools, Baltimore, Md., is given in co-operation with seven important department stores which serve as laboratories for the course. The girls spend one afternoon a week and every Saturday, as well as the entire week preceding Christmas, as regularly employed workers in the stores to which they are assigned.

Names of the practice girls are on the pay rolls of the stores and they do real work as saleswomen. The stores, to some extent, assume responsibility for instruction in their training departments or "on the job." Following each period in the store, oral or written reports are required, which furnish the basis for class discussion and instruction in the responsibility and technique of salesmanship.

In addition to the valuable experience gained from their work, the wholesome influence of the high standards of punctuality, personal appearance, honesty, and dependability demanded by the stores is often apparent in the improved appearance and conduct of the girls. An important feature of the co-operative course, in some cases, is that the money thus earned enables the girls to remain in school until graduation.

A somewhat different form of training in service is carried on in several of the large department stores of the city for employed boys and girls, who receive regular instruction by public-school teachers assigned to this special work.—School Life.

Gettysburg College Gains in Enrollment.

Gettysburg college is one of the few higher institutions of learning showing a marked increase in enrollment, according to the annual report, compiled by Dean Raymond Walters, of Swarthmore College.

An increase of two percent in college enrollment throughout the country—the smallest advance since the war—is revealed in the dean's report, compiled from data received from 216 institutions on the approved list of the Association of American Universities and Colleges.

Gettysburg shows a larger increase, proportionately, than all the other colleges and universities in the state. In addition to this fine record Gettysburg was compelled to reject more than 100 freshmen who were eligible because of limited facilities at the local institution.

Among the close votes of the last election was that in Rhode Island, where Smith carried the state for President by 1451, and Herbert, Republican candidates for U. S. Senate, was elected by 2994.

PENNSYLVANIA GOING AFTER CRIMINALS

Various New Laws to be Presented before the Legislature.

The coming legislature in Pennsylvania will have before it a series of laws aimed at the protection of society in general against criminals. The Philadelphia Ledger gives the following information on the subject.

"When the Pennsylvania Legislature meets in January no more important duty will confront it than the revision of the laws for protection of society from the habitual criminal and for the maintenance of public order. A well-reasoned program to this end is already in preparation.

It will have the support of the District Attorneys Association of the State, of which Judge Monaghan is president, and of the State Crime Commission, at the head of which is Charles Edwin Fox, Judge Monaghan's immediate predecessor in the office of District Attorney for Philadelphia. The experience of both of these men in the administration of criminal justice will give great weight to their recommendations, and the public will look to the lawmakers to take the necessary action to meet a condition which has already become acute in the more densely populated sections of the State.

As outlined by District Attorney Monaghan, the principal subjects upon which the Legislature will be asked to act include:

(1) A law to deal with habitual criminals, making life sentences obligatory upon convictions, for the fourth time, of felonies.

(2) Strict regulation of the sale of firearms, including the registration of sales and certificates for the purchasers.

(3) A general revision, not merely a suspension of the Civil Service rules, to make for better discipline, and to provide for prison sentences for persons accepting money for political purposes from policemen and firemen.

(4) Closer supervision and control of the police magistrates and the correction of bogus bail practices.

(5) More severe punishment of persons convicted of driving automobile while intoxicated.

(6) Indictment and trial for murder of persons selling liquor which caused deaths.

(7) A demand for Federal legislation to deal with so-called "cover houses," the means by which alcohol is diverted from industrial uses to the bootleg trade."

An Anti-Betting Bill.

Measures to prohibit betting at race-tracks, to enforce prohibition in Maryland and to abolish the 2-cent gasoline tax for construction of lateral roads and elimination of grade crossings are expected to be introduced at the 1929 session of the Legislature.

The General Assembly has not acted on an anti-betting bill since the 1922 session. At that time such a measure—the Hall Bill—was passed by the House of Delegates, but was so changed in its passage by the Senate that it did not affect betting. The revised measure was defeated in the House.

According to political leaders, if an anti-betting bill is introduced it will have more than a fair chance to pass.—Frederick News.

Hoover on Way to Virginia.

President-elect Hoover is on his way to Hampton Roads, Va., instead of Key West, as was at first proposed. The plan now is to leave the Warship there and proceed to Washington, stay for a week or ten days, and then go to Florida to stay until near inauguration day. Whether his contemplated visit to Cuba and Mexico will be made from Florida, appears to be undecided.

Japanese Cantata.

The Junior Chorus of the Greenmount United Brethren Church, of Greenmount, Md., will render a Cantata, entitled, "Christmas in Cherryland." The Opera House has been secured for this purpose and colorful decorations will beautify the stage. The Cantata will begin at 8:00 P. M. on Saturday, Dec. 29. Admission 25c and 35c.

Annual Farmers' Convention.

The annual convention of various Farmers' organizations of Maryland will meet at the Hotel Remert, Baltimore, January 9th., for three days—Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. No doubt a detailed program will be furnished for next week's issue. The banquet on Thursday night will be a big feature, when "Tom" Parran will be the toastmaster, and the principal address will be by Stanley L. Krebs, of New York.

Our Sale Register, Next Week.

Our Sale Register will begin next week. All who desire to make use of it for their Spring Sale should start with the first issue of the Register. According to our old custom, no charge will be made for the register when sale is to be advertised in The Record. To all others, the charge is \$1.00.

The Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York, one of the most famous hotels in the City, is to be torn down to provide a site for a fifty-story office building.

LETTER FROM CHINA.

How "the Bottom Side of the World" Celebrates.

The following letter from China, which was accompanied with a picture "The goddess arrives at the moon" will be of interest to some of our readers, especially those interested in Foreign Missions.

Dear Editor:—Here comes another letter from the "bottom side of the world." It may be of interest to the readers of your most excellent paper.

We have recently had one of China's chief holidays. For more than a week I noticed signs of its coming. Great stacks of "moon-cakes" in brightly colored packets were shown in many stores. Beautiful lanterns were seen along the streets. Everything was in such gay style it made one think of a coming Christmas. It was the Chinese Moon-feast and Mid Autumn Festival. In their feasting it recalled our Thanksgiving Day.

The Chinese 15th. of the 8th. month is called "Tsoung Tsiu"—Middle Autumn. On that day they have theatricals before all the gods in the temple and burn the "Shaung-to"—incense bushel. This bushel-like measure is made of incense sticks. The largest "bushels" sometimes measure as much as 20 feet in diameter. In the middle of the "bushel" is a long large stick of incense made up of thousands of thin incense sticks the size of vermicelli. On the afternoon and night of this day each family also burns an incense bushel at home. These are smaller than the ones burned in the temple. On this day they who can so afford eat moon-cakes and all kinds of nice things. The incense bushel is decorated with flags and many colored dragon-gates something as children at home put candles on their birthday cakes; but the children in China take the flags and dragon-gate decorations from the bushel before it is burnt, and have great delight in playing with these, marching up and down the streets.

I asked the Chinese why they burned the incense bushel and eat the moon-cake, and worship the moon with candles, incense and food on this day. They answered that there are many reasons for it and many stories are told about it. One of the reasons is because there is a lady-god in the moon. Her name is Zaung-noo. She is said to be exceedingly beautiful. From the beginning of time to the end there never was nor will be one as beautiful as she. She was once upon a time a woman of this world; but she came displeased with her husband and all the world and fled to the moon.

On this 15th. the real story of why she fled is acted out in the long theatrical plays attended by throngs of people. In ancient times on the 15th. of the 8th. month when they burned the incense bushel the sweet fragrance would go high up to the moon goddess. She took pleasure in it and manifested her approval by coming near earth riding on a cloud and people could see her beautiful face. But now men's hearts have become wicked, and the world is full of sin, so the incense is not so pure as formerly and it does not rise so high as to reach goddess in her palace and so, not enjoying its fragrance, she comes no more on the clouds; but people still offer incense and hope she will appear some time.

They say that in the moon this goddess has a most beautiful castle. It is called the "Yuih-Koong"—Moon Palace. Only one human has ever seen its glories. Once, during the Dong Dynasty, a Chinese king, called Ming Wong, by the Magic of a holy monk, was enabled to mount up from the earth to the Moon Castle to hear the music and see its beauty. He was allowed to stand outside for only a very few minutes. By that time the goddess knew that the king of man was there. She was very angry at the monk for leading the king to her holy land. Soon from the Castle came most unpleasant sounds. The monk understood that it was the king's giving vent to her wrath, and he quickly led the king back to earth.

You can thus see how full of superstition the Chinese are and how much they need the Gospel and Jesus Christ that they may see the real King in His beauty and live forever in His glorious palace on High. It's a joy to teach Chinese children of Jesus and His salvation while young.

A Merry Christmas and a blessed New Year to you and loved ones. Yours in Christ's glad service, REV. H. G. C. HALLOCK. Shanghai, China.

Rev. C. H. Richmond Resigns.

Rev. C. H. Richmond, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Union Bridge, including the churches at Middleburg and Johnsville, has resigned to accept the pastorate at Sykesville. The announcement of the resignation was received with general regret, as Rev. Richmond has done splendid work at all three churches during the six years of his pastorate.

"The Man Who Knows."

He who knows not, and knows not that he knows not, is a fool; shun him. He who knows not, and knows that he knows not, is a child; teach him. He who knows, and knows not that he knows, is asleep; wake him. He who knows, and knows that he knows, is wise; follow him.—Persian Proverb.

In a town in Alaska with a population of 450, all but 26 have the flu, with only one doctor and one nurse to care for the sick.

Most of us fear our friends more than our enemies.

OUR APPRECIATION.

In closing our work for 1928, we extend our appreciative thanks to all of our patrons and co-workers in all lines for their support during the year; and we especially note with gratification the numerous kind messages recently extended to us concerning our work and policies—little voluntary expressions of good will and encouragement that mean so much, and help one to feel that "the job" is worth while, notwithstanding its problems and hard work. Thank you all, very much!

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All articles on this page are either original or properly credited. This has always been a fixed rule with this Office, and we suggest the adoption of it by our exchanges.

Considering the Automobile.

What the automobile has done for this country is a big question so much involved with benefit and disaster that it is as yet difficult to strike a balance as to whether it has done more good than harm; and incidentally it opens up numerous questions for calm debate and most serious consideration.

At various times we have urged legal action against what we consider the unnecessary killing of pedestrians on the public highways, and have commented rather severely against the large number of "unavoidable accident" verdicts as not meeting the real question involved, and not fairly considering the rights of pedestrians to use our highways with reasonable safety; that too much superior right of way is given to auto drivers, and that those who walk on the roads are unfairly discriminated against. We still hold firmly to these opinions, and feel that the lordship over the highways should be curtailed.

Of course, comparisons with the days of horse driven vehicles, when such "accidental" deaths were hardly heard of, must not be made. Instead of traveling at six miles an hour, we now think 35 miles an hour a reasonable speed, and make it legal. But in doing so we cheapen human life, though life, to the victims, has not been cheapened but is as dear as ever. Perhaps the automobile is solving the problem of keeping down increase in population. That is the big question in countries like Japan, Italy and Greece, where the governments try to find more territory—the cause of wars sometimes—for their people. Would it not be a wise policy for these governments to buy automobiles in large quantities, supply their people with them, and solve the over-population problem in this way, without maintaining large armies for accumulating more territory for homes for their people?

Our peace propagandists decry war, because war represents unnecessary bloodshed and death, broken up homes—all of the sorrows that violent death brings. Why should not this question of auto killings appeal to the peace specialists; for whether it be actual war, or just reckless driving, the result is the same?

Proclaiming against war is largely similar to "foreign missions," for the wars now most feared are foreign wars that may involve this country. So, may we not see in the alarming number of killings in this country, through the use of a peace vehicle, an opportunity to advocate a new form of "home missions?" The saving of lives and property are involved in both instances. Why not begin at home to prevent them? There simply must be more restrictions concerning the speed and operation of automobiles, or we practically ally ourselves with the war spirit that unnecessarily takes the lives of the innocent.

Enforcement for Maryland.

Maryland will perhaps have to hold another election before its legislature can pass an enforcement act; and not only the act, but serve a healthy notice on local officials that the Constitution of the United States declares against the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors, and must be obeyed as nearly as it is humanly possible for legal authority to compel obedience.

In the meantime, patriotic public sentiment should manifest itself against wet newspapers and propagandists, and against bootlegging in local communities. The last election, both in Maryland and elsewhere, shows how public sentiment stands on the subject, so far as voting opinion is concerned. But it may be that the secrecy of the ballot is not enough, but that more outstanding and open action is necessary.

No country can afford to vote, privately, one way and, negative the force of its vote in other ways. And no country can afford to have a constitution, and operate merely on the fact that it has it, but not enforce it. Leg-

islating goodness into people is, of course, impossible; but compelling people to observe legislative goodness, whether they like it or not, is not impossible. And on either question, the burden rests upon "the people" for action.

Too Expensive Administration of Benevolence.

During the past month, when appeals were being so widely made for numerous very worthy objects, there came to our office a beautifully embossed letter in colors, soliciting our donations of cash. As we happened to know the cost of this particular piece of printing, and the further fact that but very few prosperous business concerns feel justified in using it, on account of the cost, we could not help but wonder whether it was good policy for an agency working for the poor through subscriptions from the public, could afford to use it.

We believe that good business stationery is a wise investment. It adds character and tone to any business to show by its stationery that it is substantial, and has regard for the appearance of its communications; but, there is a vast difference between good appearance and a supply that seems to stand for expensive management.

And this is especially true of the management of our missions and charities. Those who contribute to them have the right to expect that the "overhead" expense is held to the minimum, and that the maximum of the donations shall go to the beneficiaries, with as little as possible eaten up along the way through administration costs.

Modern Slave to Mankind.

Human slavery has passed from the earth, or lingers only as a relic of a brutal past among barbarians in remote places. It seems strange to think that humans were chattels in our own land but a few generations ago. There is comfort in the thought that such a condition cannot come again. The world gains something in even-handed justice as time passes, and any consideration of human rights precludes the possibility of bondsmen again among the civilized peoples of the earth.

Yet man is master still, with forces working for him far greater than served the Phoenician galleys, or in a later era, toiled among the plantations of the Southland. Machinery and power have lifted the load of drudgery from human backs and hands until there is a larger leisure widely distributed, and it is, in results as if each person had the services of 175 slaves of pre-war days, except that the misery of enforced servitude is missing. These newer forces are tireless. They are wholly responsive to the will of man and master, if he manages them well.

From the lonely farm where modern implements enable one man to do the work that 20 used to do, to the crowded city, with its varied utilities and applied power for all industries, these modern slaves are working cheerfully, and resourceful men are ever finding new undertakings for the mechanical and electric toilers. Science, inventive genius and engineering skill, will extend this scope with the passing of the years, until hard labor, in its former rough meaning, will cease to be.

Among these modern slaves, electricity is probably the greatest, and those who work toward its further development have reason to feel it has greater possibilities ahead than any as yet attained. Almost certainly, its scope will be extended to many who are now denied its blessings. In the city additional uses will be found, and wider use of present appliances will add further to the number of slaves that now toil for every man.—Newton Register, Elmhurst, New York.

Thrift Helps to Eliminate Poverty.

The statement often is made that this is a materialistic age. Americans particularly are criticised at times for their so-called materialism. Much of the world's progress, however, has been due to materialism. The construction of railroads and highways and the building of our great cities have, to a considerable extent, been the result of materialistic impulses.

It may be said, moreover, that the spirit of our materialism has been softened by humanitarian impulses. This fact is borne in upon us with particular emphasis at this time of year when there is so much activity in preparation for the holiday season and when such tremendous sums are being donated by charitably inclined persons to the needy and unfortunate. It is a fine commentary on our citizenship to find so much thought and attention given to matters of this kind.

It is not out of keeping with current thought, however, to call attention to the fact that a great amount of the poverty and distress of the world is due to sheer lack of thrift. An old philosopher once wrote that

"the highest step and the summit of charity's golden ladder is to aid a man that he may earn an honest livelihood and not be forced to the dreadful alternative of holding out his hands for charity."

Truly it may be said that we help others most when we help them to help themselves. In the earlier developments, of thrift education there grew up, particularly in England, vast numbers of charity associations. Persons who were in need were given alms to alleviate their temporary condition. The knowledge developed out of these early activities that charity of this description often encourages idleness. As time advanced, society learned that the best way to combat poverty was to encourage industry. Due to the popular development of thrift habits, poverty is gradually being eliminated, although there always will be those who, temporarily at least will need charity.

But we should remember that when we encourage thrift upon the part of any individual we are most likely removing him forever from the possibility of ever becoming a charitable object.—S. W. Straus.

A Staggering Loss.

In nearly every community of the United States newspapers, police departments and automobile clubs are conducting campaigns to diminish the automobile traffic hazard. That such campaigns are necessary is apparent when it is known that the annual death toll from automobile accidents has reached the frightful total of 26,000 and that 754,000 people are injured in a year in this manner.

If the fatalities through careless driving and unavoidable accidents, which have been recorded during the past decade, should be noted by the erection of a cross for each fatality there would be a cross for every three miles of improved highway in the United States.

The economic loss due to these accidents in which personal injuries occur cannot be accurately computed. The most conservative is based upon the usual liability of \$5,000 per life and \$175 for each personal injury. These give an approximate total of \$266,500,000. Add to this an average actual property loss of \$50 due to every accident involving either personal injury or property damage—conservatively estimated at \$7,000,000—and there results a total estimated loss close to \$700,000,000 annually. Of course this economic loss, while it cannot fail to retard national prosperity, is negligible as compared with the humanitarian aspects of the safety problem.—Frederick News.

Tax the Loafer.

Theoretically, the perfect tax would be tax on inaction. The proper man to tax would be the loafer, not the worker; idle land, not the used land; inactive capital, not active capital; lack of enterprise, not enterprise. Our present taxes are based on the opposite theory.

We tax thrift, action capital and enterprise. We levy taxes in proportion to ability to pay, which means that the harder a man works the more we tax him; the more thrifty he becomes, the more we tax him; the more efficient he grows the more we knock him down with tax burdens.

If a man saves his money and buys a house, he is taxed; if he wastes his money in extravagant living, he escapes being taxed. None of our taxes encourage production by the simple process of discouraging idleness, shiftlessness, inefficiency. Such a tax would not be practical, but it would be a just tax.—Exchange.

Odd Creatures Found in Subterranean Life

Subterranean animal life presents many curious features. The life of the animals of the caves is unique. The subterranean forms of life develop, reproduce and die entirely without sunlight. Among such forms of life there is none of the mammal form, except a species of rat; and there is no cavebird. Then, too, none of the subterranean animals requires much nourishment.

The greater abundance and variety of this life is met in grottoes with underground rivers. Usually the subterranean life resembles the general types of the country. It has entered the caves and there become acclimated, undergoing curious adaptive modifications. So it happens that we generally find, in modified forms, the life of our own time. In some caverns, however, there seem to be disclosed the remains of an ancient animal life that has everywhere else disappeared from the terrestrial rivers, living only in the caverns.

The creatures of modern species that have adapted themselves to underground conditions are sharply differentiated from the dwellers in the light. Their skin is of a whitish hue or else transparent. The eye atrophies or altogether disappears. The optic nerve and the optic lobes vanish, leaving the brain extraordinarily modified. Other organs develop in proportion; those of hearing, smell and touch become enlarged to a degree. Sensitive hairs, long and coarse, appear all over the body.



THAT was one New Year's resolution he would keep! Frank Harris sat on the edge of his bed and stared gloomily out over the frosty housetops.

He'd never see Myrtle again. Desperately he shrugged off the quick memory of her blue eyes and soft voice, her tilted nose. Never! He pulled on his sox viciously. To be treated the way she had treated him! And there couldn't be any mistake. Night before last he had gone there. She hadn't expected him, but from things she had said before and had allowed him to say—yes, allowed him to say! He thrust his jaw forward angrily—he had supposed she loved him. Fool! That night he had intended to ask her to marry him. Had taken along—D—n! He had taken along flowers the way they do—Fool! How carefully he had tied his new four-in-hand and brushed his shoes. All the way he had smiled and whistled in the anticipation of holding her, slim and surrendering, and kissing her. The corners of his mouth curled downward as he thought of it. Lord, it was hard! He had noticed a car out in front, so he had slipped up the steps a little more carefully—thank heaven—wondering if company would intrude. One look through the window of the sitting room had sent him away in horror, disillusioned. He closed his eyes miserably, now, as he pulled his coat on—to shut out, even yet, what he had seen. Myrtle in the surrender he had pictured for himself, but to some one else!

Oh, there wasn't any question. In stories it might turn out to be a brother, but Myrtle hadn't a brother, and this was a lover's kiss, anyway. No relative's. Next day, she had called



"I want you to meet my friend, Mr. Lee, Mr. Harris."

and invited him for New Year's dinner! Beastly! He jammed his hat on and started down the three flights and out for breakfast somewhere.

He'd been so darned credulous! He glowered.

Suddenly his heart jerked. There she was, and with—that man! In panic, he tried to dodge into a doorway, but she had seen him. She smiled. Oh, well, he'd go through with it.

"Hello, Frank!" she called. He tipped his hat and tried to brush past. She touched his arm. He shuddered. "I want you to meet my friend, Mr. Lee, Mr. Harris." Lee bowed suavely. Frank nodded. One of those parlor sheiks! "You met Mr. Lee's wife at our house one evening when you were there." Frank remembered. He started to go. "I'm sorry you can't come to dinner." Myrtle looked troubled. She ought to! "Don't you think you could, yet?" "Sorry. No." Frank went on.

It was worse than he had expected! A married man! Frank groaned. She had seemed so innocent and sweet! There wasn't any question about its being anyone else that fellow was kissing. He'd seen both of their faces clearly. He passed his usual restaurant and walked on.

The Wholesome Food people had changed their high electric sign on the hill. It read "Start the New Year right!" Frank smiled ironically. He had. He—Suddenly, he stopped, frightened. Maybe he had walked too far. He was delicious! He passed his hand across his eyes and clutched the railing near him. It was still there—a photograph of what he had seen that night. A picture of Myrtle. Yes, it was Myrtle! In the arms of that fellow. He raised his eyes. "The Community Playhouse . . . Friday night." He found a telephone.

"When was that picture taken?" he demanded of Myrtle's voice.

"Then you know?" Myrtle laughed. "I hoped I could surprise you Friday night when you'd go and discover me as leading lady."

"But when was it taken?" "Night before last. We had rehearsal at our house. Why?"

"Say! Is it too late to come over for dinner?" Frank whistled on his way to Myrtle's. Up on the hill, the Wholesome Food sign blinked—"Start the New Year Right!" Frank laughed. He felt his carefully-tied new tie and ran his fingers over the box of flowers and winked back.

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Big Part Played by Tempests in History

The only time that great storms are recorded in history is when they have played an active part in the sea fights of the world. We all know of the storm which wrecked the galleons of the Spanish armada after Drake had harried them. And this is not the only occasion on which Spain suffered at the hands of the tempest.

After the renowned fight of the Revenge, in which Sir Richard Grenville took on a Spanish fleet of 53 ships single-handed and sank five of them, a great storm sprang up. It wrecked the remainder of the Spanish ships and the treasure fleet which they were escorting. So the little Revenge was mightily avenged.

In 1859 a hurricane was the means of averting a possible war between Germany and the United States. Warships from each of the countries had been dispatched to the harbor of Apia, in Samoa. But before anything like actual hostilities broke out a cyclone swept into the bay, and of all the ships collected there only the British warship Calliope survived. The blow was so stunning to the navies of the would-be belligerents that they were brought to reason and signed a treaty.—London Answers.

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FOUR DEATH SHIPS ADRIFT ON PACIFIC

Lost Vessels May Sail Years
on Aimless Cruise.

Port Townsend, Wash.—The water-logged hulks of four Japanese "death ships" now missing almost two years from home ports are drifting somewhere in the north Pacific and mariners gaze daily across the gray wastes expecting the lost craft to turn up. According to hydrographic records, it is now time for them to escape the ocean eddies.

Five fishing vessels, each manned by about twelve men, were blown out to sea in a typhoon which raged off the Japanese islands in December, 1926.

Almost a year later in November, 1927, one of these ships, with its tragic freight of bodies, came drifting up the Washington coast.

It was the Ryool Maru. The boat was towed into Puget sound by the steamer Margaret Dollar. An examination here by quarantine officers revealed the fact that, in a desperate effort to live, some of the crew had turned cannibal.

A few days later another of the wandering fishing craft was sighted off the coast. But the freighter that discovered the hulk let it drift, not knowing its tragic story.

Four of the vessels, stoutly built to resist the Pacific storms, still drift somewhere between the Pacific coast and Japan, say shipping men.

Charts of the United States hydrographic office here indicate that these ships may drift for years on one of two great 1,000-mile current circles.

One flows southward from the west coast of North America, then swings out into midocean, then turns north toward the Orient. The other is directly west of Hawaii. A vessel whirling into either might drift there for years without being sighted.

Hydrographers estimated the Ryool Maru drifted 20,000 miles in endless zigzags and circles to reach the Washington coast.

Dusty Books Provide

Job for Methuselah

London.—One lone man is working on the job of renovating the 20,000,000 books in the British museum.

For 14 years he has been polishing the dusty volumes, and there are only 19,700,000 more to fix.

If his present rate of progress continues, he will complete the task in just 1,329 more years—unless somebody publishes another book in the meantime.

This patient, dauntless workman is Mr. I. Moss. He sits on a high gallery in the famous treasure-house of the nation and fondles the cover of one book after another.

His skillful hands caress 1,600 volumes each month, 15,000 each year, 500,000 each decade; that means 1,500,000 in a century!

But Mr. Moss never stops to worry about the time. He touches the books one by one with a sponge, with a deft and gentle hand, restoring their youth with a magic solution.

Expert Directs Opening of Safe by Telephone

Baker, Ore.—A rock expert, listening over the telephone to the almost imperceptible sounds of falling tumblers in a safe door, directed the opening of a strong box here.

Miss Kathleen Kivett, office employee, telephoned Charles Braun, the expert, in Weiser, Idaho, nearly 50 miles away, that she had lost the safe combination. She said Braun told her to put the mouthpiece of the telephone next to the safe door and to turn the dial. By the sound of the tumblers he directed her hand and the door was opened in less than five minutes.

Irish Students Find Prehistoric Remains

Dublin.—Skeletons of prehistoric men have been found in 3,000-year-old limestone caves festooned with stalagmites at Kilgraeny, County Waterford, Ireland.

Two complete skeletons and remains of skulls, leg bones and finger bones have been discovered during excavations by university students.

The caves still bear traces of habitation. Near by have been found a bronze knife, eight inches long, a bronze pin, beads, bored boars' teeth for neckwear, a quantity of pottery and two millstones for grinding corn.

Page Diogenes!

Kinston, N. C.—Willie Langdon, negro youth, saw an elderly white man drop a dime. Before he could return the coin, the owner had driven off in his automobile. Willie cranked his own flivver and overtook his man, 11 miles away. "You may keep the dime," the latter said.

Gum So Popular Rumania Bars It

Bucharest.—The government has ordered the withdrawal of all American gum vending machines from the tobacco stands of Bucharest. The unofficial excuse for the action is that the sale of gum was found to be interfering with the sale of tobacco, a government monopoly.

Community Building

Point of Importance

Is Attractive Road

The Supreme court of Kansas has upheld an act of the legislature prohibiting any kind of signs, except official markers, on state highways; likewise, any type of advertising sign within 500 feet of a turn in the road, an intersection, or a railroad grade crossing. This is an important step in the campaign for beautification of the American highway, now made hideous, especially in the neighborhood of large cities, by masses of billboards and signs of all sizes and descriptions, a writer in the St. Louis Globe-Democratic comments. On some roads it is difficult to see the country for advertisements.

An indirect way, but an efficacious one, to produce the same result as the Kansas law has been adopted by Connecticut and Maryland. Those two states have lined the highways with trees, planted and protected by the highway commission or the forestry department. No signs may be affixed to the trees, which form a leafy aisle for automobile traffic, and the placing of billboards behind them becomes a poor investment.

Missouri, in the process of building a great road system, might well include plans for planting trees and excluding signboards. It is not a tribute to our state of civilization that we have not already done so. France has shown us how lovely a thing a road can be when it is lined with trees whose branching foliage forms a canopy overhead. The joys of motoring are increased tremendously by progress through a shady green corridor presenting delightful vistas at every turn.

To the city man especially, who seeks the country over week ends only to find the roads ugly and hot, the beautification program must have appeal.

Building With View

to "Fire Resistance"

Consider the structures of the ideal "fire-resisting" house. First a foundation of concrete, well water-proofed and tied at essential points with reinforcing steel.

On this foundation lay a two-story wall of cinder or concrete block or hollow tile for stucco base or brick, stone and tile for veneered walls. Floors of light "fire-resisting" construction as above noted and a roof of light steel shapes supporting gypsum concrete covered with slate or vitrified tile roofing.

The windows should be steel casement types or metal double hung patterns. The doors should be of laminated wood or hollow metal and the casing, bases, etc., of pressed metal.

Certain details in construction should be given serious consideration if certain materials are used. If concrete or cinder blocks are used for exterior walls it will be well to satisfy oneself regarding the waterproofness of these materials. They can and should be waterproof. A furred inside wall construction is a good scheme of preventing further difficulties.

Good Intentions

Some people mean well, but never do well. Their lives are paved with good intentions never carried out. They are always intending to do something that never gets done. Instead of taking a just pride in accomplishment, they are continually humiliated by the inadequacy of their excuses. They do not even drift with the tide of humanity, but unresistingly are switched into the eddies of life. For them there is a beginning and an end, but nothing in between. They have neither true friends nor bitter enemies, because they do nothing to inspire either friendship or enmity. They are nameless because no one takes the trouble to name them. Buck up—and start something.—Rushville Republican.

Point for Home Owners

Viewed from the practical side it is easy to realize that property well cared for, and attractively planned as to lawns and general planting, is of greater value than a place to which little attention has been given. If the citizen cannot be reached through an appeal for neatness and beauty he should listen to an argument that greater care makes his home and his premises worth more to him as an investment.

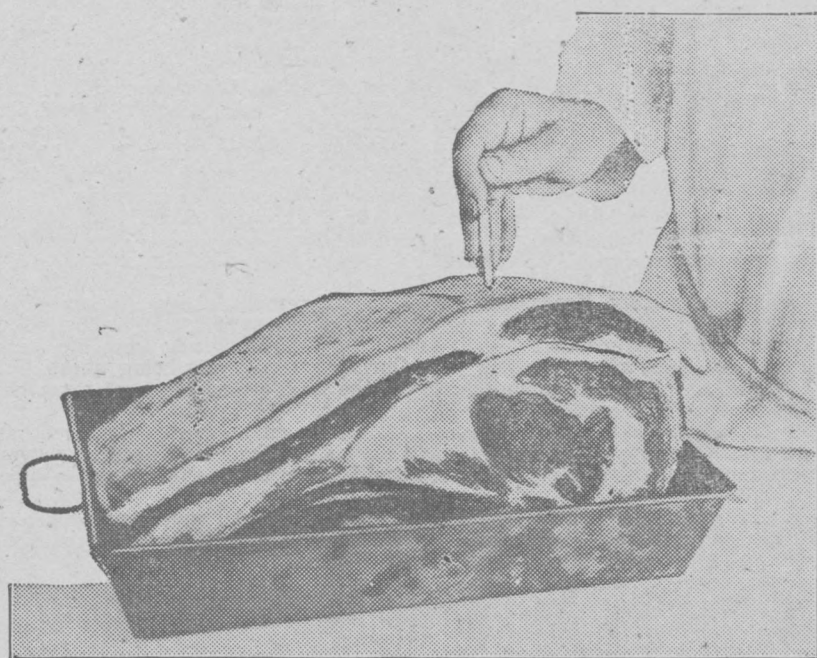
Tree Suggestions

Trees of somewhat pyramidal form are usually selected for framing the house in front, although there are many others suitable, particularly in informal plantings. The ginkgo, European larch, and cercidiphyllum are desirable pyramidal trees for this purpose. On small lots dwarf flowering trees such as the flowering crab, cherry, peach, or magnolia are often used.

Holds Record for Trees

Springfield, Mass., has more shade trees in proportion to population than any other American city. A rising competition in this direction may serve to shift the honor, but as yet the pioneer commonwealth in this movement claims the finest city in respect to its trees.

COOKING ROAST OF BEEF BY TEMPERATURE



Meat Thermometer Inserted in Thickest Part of Roast.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

No longer is it necessary to guess whether the roast beef is rare, but done enough to suit every taste; juicy and pink in the center while crisply browned outside. The bureau of home economics says that if the housewife will provide herself with a meat thermometer, which is made to put into the thick part of the roast while it is cooking, she can get uniform results every time.

When the meat thermometer reads between 130 and 150 degrees Fahrenheit her roast will be "rare." She has a range of temperature because "rare" means a slightly different degree to different people, and because different pieces of meat look more or less pink when cooked to the same temperature. Again, "medium-done" may be right for her family somewhere between 150 and 170 degrees Fahrenheit. The preference for a "well-done" roast can be satisfied when the thermometer says about 180 degrees Fahrenheit. The meat will rise in temperature a little

after it is out of the oven, and this should be allowed for if it is to stand before carving. Once the point at which the meat is exactly right has been established, it can be cooked to the same degree every time.

After wiping off a standing rib roast of beef with a damp cloth, it is sprinkled with salt, and then lightly with flour. It is placed in an open pan without water, fat side up. As the fat melts and cooks it bastes the meat. The thermometer is best inserted in the thickest part of the roast so that the bulb reaches the center. Sear the meat for 20 to 30 minutes in a hot oven (500 to 525 degrees Fahrenheit) until lightly browned, then reduce the temperature to about 350 degrees Fahrenheit and continue cooking to the desired stage of doneness. A three-rib roast will probably require 15 minutes to the pound to be rare, 18 minutes to the pound to be medium, and 20 to 22 minutes to the pound to be well done when cooked at the oven temperatures given.

BIG "INGREDIENT" IN CURING MEAT

Scrupulous Care and Cleanliness Are Essential.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

In curing pork scrupulous care and cleanliness are fully as essential as the salt, sugar and saltpeter. K. F. Warner, meat specialist of the United States Department of Agriculture, elaborates this point.

"One hundred pounds of meat," he says, "can be cured with three pounds of salt or twelve pounds of salt, and widely varying amounts of sugar and saltpeter, but unless carefulness is included, the resulting product will be neither economical nor palatable. The boys complain considerably nowadays about the fussy crankiness with which grandpa puts the meat in cure, but grandpa learned his lesson in the hard school of experience, and he knows that unless meat is put down with care, refined almost to the degree of crankiness, the result will be unsatisfactory."

Mr. Warner also calls attention to the fact that the home butcher should select the animals for slaughter with a view to the weight and quality of meat desired. Where lard and sausage are the products desired, very large and very fat hogs will serve, but when shoulders, hams and loins are desired these will be in proportion to the weight of the animal. A trimmed ham will weigh about 7 per cent of the live weight. If the family can make economical use of 20-pound hams the weight of the hog may run up to 300 pounds.

The backbone cut is appetizing but if the meat is to be canned it is much more convenient to split through the center of the backbone, which makes it comparatively easy to bone the loin muscles.

Fried Cheese-Corn Meal Mush Is Excellent Dish

Fried cereals of all kinds are excellent. They may be served in place of potatoes or rice at dinner-time. If cheese is added to a corn meal mush, the resulting mixture is hearty enough for a main dish for lunch or supper, and is very tasty when fried. It is made as follows, according to the bureau of home economics.

2 cups yellow corn meal
3 tsp. salt
4 cups cold water
¾ to 1 lb. sharp cheese

Mix the corn meal, salt and cold water in the upper part of a double boiler. Cook over the direct flame until boiling and boil for one minute, stirring constantly. Place the upper part of the double boiler into the lower part and cook the corn meal mush for one hour. Shave or flake the cheese into small pieces, add it to the mush, and stir until the cheese is melted. Pour the cheese mush into a wet dish or pan and let stand overnight. When set into a firm mold, cut the mush into slices about one-half inch thick, sprinkle with flour, and fry slowly in shallow fat until golden brown on both sides. Serve hot with tart jelly.

For Gilt Frames

Clean gilt frames by covering with a cream of whiting and alcohol after wiping and brushing away all possible dust.

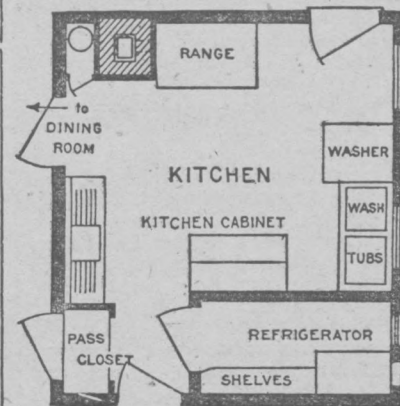
KITCHEN USEFUL ALSO AS LAUNDRY

Preferably the Place for Cooking and Serving Food.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

The kitchen is preferably the place for preparing, cooking and serving foods and for clearing away after these processes. No housekeeper waits laundry work done in the kitchen if she can avoid it, but in numerous instances she has no choice. In bungalows and other small houses, or in apartments, where the floor space is very limited, laundry tubs are often put as close as possible to the water supply and the stove. In many farm and out-of-town homes there is no suitable basement or other location for the laundry.

It becomes necessary to make the best of the situation in such cases. While the steamy odors of washday cannot always be escaped, it is possible to see that the laundry equipment is placed so that it interferes very little with the work centers for the preparation and serving of food. It may even serve as an added convenience.



Plan Showing Laundry Tubs Placed in Kitchen.

venience if the stationary tub is placed under a hinged drainboard of the sink or if the cover of one of two such tubs can be used as a work table. An ironing board can be made to fold into a wall cabinet which also holds irons and needed supplies. The cabinet for the ironing board can sometimes be put in the dining alcove.

The chief points in arranging a laundry center in a compact kitchen, says the bureau of home economics of the United States Department of Agriculture, are: To keep the equipment out of the way of the main line of travel used in doing the daily work; to insure to it good light and ventilation, and yet have it near the stove if irons or water must be heated; and to have working surfaces of the right height for the worker. The floor plan shows one way of arranging a double-duty kitchen of this kind which retains the good features of any kitchen, such as the pass closet, the double drainboard, and the correct paths from left to right for the various work centers located around the room.

Sticky Chair Seats

Leather chair seats on upholstered furniture frequently become sticky. This usually is caused by the leather drying out. To prevent it, rub the leather every month or two with a soft cloth moistened in neat's foot oil. When a stickiness occurs, remove as much of it as possible with gasoline and apply the oil. Do not wipe the oil off for a day or two.

LIFE'S LITTLE JESTS



HIS AMBITION

"Ambition," said Norbert Quinn, "is a funny thing. My friend, Christopher Morley, prince of fantasy and Twentieth century Elizabethan, confided that he wished that he could draw and also that he could write successful plays.

"Quite in contrast is my little friend, William, who is saving up money to buy an airplane. 'It's quite a worthy motive,' I told him. 'You are quite an ambitious boy.'

"You bet I am!" William agreed, and added, "You see, I want to fly over Bobby Willet's yard and drop down bricks on him."—Los Angeles Times.

Gooseflesh Barred

An old Southern planter was discussing the hereafter with one of the colored servants. "Sam," he said, "if you die first, I want you to come back and tell me what it's like over there. If I die first, I'll come back and tell you what it's like."

"Dat suits me, Massa," replied the old negro, "but if you dies first, Ah wants you to promise me dat you'll come back in de daytime."

Got Him, Anyway

The Accused—Judge, it ain't no crime to be poor. Beside, I work mighty hard sometimes findin' jobs for my wife.

The Judge—You're right. It is no crime to be poor, but it is to run an employment agency without a license. Twenty-five and costs.

FOUND SHE'D BEEN SOLD



"She was given away as usual at her wedding, I suppose?"
"Oh, yes, but recently found she'd been sold."

Self-Perfecting

"Practice maketh perfect."
The proverb so doth teach—
Especially if we practice
The fine things that we preach.

That's Essential

"Yesterday you were not at the office, saying you were ill, and I saw you on the street."
"Yes. I was going for the doctor."
—Buen Humor, Madrid.

In Love

"Why is Eloise on the roof with a telescope?"
"Aw, she's looking for a letter by air mail."

The Aftermath

"Mrs. Smith seems to have got over the death of her first husband."
"Yes, but her second husband hasn't."—Nagel's Lustige Welt, Berlin.

Great Day for Them

"Bill's a bit of an egotist, isn't he?"
"Egotist! Say, when that fellow has a birthday he wishes his friends many happy returns of the day."

KNEW FOOL'S GOLD



Reggie—I have no trouble, Miss Sharpe, in telling fool's gold.
Miss S.—Oh, I'm sure you can tell how much money you have, Mr. Sapp.

Obscure Contributor

The fish that's landed as a prize,
For admiration comes to view;
But has no chance to realize
The honors that to him are due.

Close to Work

Visitor—Who is that poorly dressed man over near the telephone?
Editor—Oh, he's the editor of our men's fashion department.

Dolling Up Freaks

"You say your sister makes up jokes; then she's a humorist?"
"No; she works in a beauty parlor."

Often "Run in the Family."

When colds "run in the family" it is no sign that the family is constitutionally subject to colds. It may be that some member of the family is acting as a carrier, just as some people are typhoid carriers, suggests Dr. P. Watson-Williams in a report to the practitioner of observations made on ninety consecutive patients. Sometimes one child is known for starting colds among his brothers and sisters. This same child may become immune to colds himself, but still harbor cold germs and be able to pass them on to others. If he grows up and has a family he may still be starting colds in the family, although they are no longer traced to him.

The reason for this may be an unsuspected infection of his nasal sinuses, the honeycomb structures back of the nose and eyes. This same infection may be the reason for some children growing a second set of adenoids when the first ones have been removed with the tonsils, Doctor Watson-Williams thinks.

Doctor Watson-Williams also reports a tendency for families that are prone to colds to have infections in the abdomen, for instance in appendix and gall bladder. The body cells that fight disease germs are weakened by resisting the germs always present in nose and throat and become an easy prey to those germs that find their way to the abdomen.—Kansas City Star's Science Service.

Why Paint Sometimes Refuses to "Stay Put"

Experiments and observations of the behavior of paint under varying conditions and circumstances indicate that paint does not really adhere to wood at least after the paint has dried out thoroughly, but hangs on chiefly by gaining mechanical grips in minute openings in the surface of the wood. Where there are plenty of openings the paint hangs on, but where the openings are too few, or too small, as in very dense wood, the paint does not hang on so well.

To understand how the grain of wood may affect paint retention it is only necessary to observe paint failure on woods having wide annual growth rings and in which there is a sharp contrast between spring wood and summer wood. In such woods the summer wood is much denser than the spring wood. Paint scales off more quickly than it does off the bands of spring wood.

Why Earth Is Changing.

Just as the tidal movement of the ocean is affected by the position of the sun and moon, so is the earth's surface influenced and there is constantly going on a heavy pronounced change in the contour of our globe. It is constantly rising and falling and while this movement is imperceptible except to scientific observers it is nevertheless quite pronounced and in the course of time is responsible for some very great changes. The pressure exerted on spots of the earth's crust by the rising tide of the ocean is another thing that makes it heave and fall. Atlantic tides have caused an observed earth bulge 800 miles away, and it is thought probable that this influence girdles the world.

Why Known as "Dumbbells."

Why do we call the wooden exercises we swing dumbbells? Why dumb? Because centuries ago a favorite exercise was in the pattern of the apparatus by which the heavy bells of a church are swung—a task which calls for considerable energy on the part of the ringers. This apparatus was used sometimes for the purpose of training bell-ringers, and it is probable that its use as an exerciser was first suggested in this way. Later on, less cumbersome means of taking exercise were evolved, but "dumbbell" was still kept as the name.

Why Baptize Babies.

It is held by those churches which believe in the baptism of infants that the Old Testament covenant was applicable to all members of the family, from the youngest infant to the oldest man. They believe the New Testament covenant is equally to be applied and that baptism is the sign and seal of participation in this covenant. It is for this reason that most Christian churches baptize infants, at the same time requiring their parents to obligate themselves to bring the children up in the Christian faith.

Why Ermine Is "Royal."

The beauty of ermine caused it to be worn by royalty and King Edward III made it a punishable offense for any persons except those of royal birth to wear it. This restriction has long been removed, but the fur still enjoys royal favor.

Why Bodies Were Embalmed.

In ancient Egypt bodies were embalmed because it was believed that they would some day be restored to life.

Why "Capital" Punishment.

Hanging is called "capital" punishment from the Latin, caput, the head. Beheading was once the usual death penalty.

Mythological Term.

In Norse mythology the expression "twilight of the gods" refers to the final destruction of the world and the regeneration of gods and men.

CORRESPONDENCE

Latest Items of Local News Furnished
By Our Regular Staff of Writers

All communications for this department must be signed by the author; nor for publication, but as an evidence that the items contributor are legitimate and correct. Items based on mere rumor, or such as are likely to give offense, are not wanted. We desire correspondence to reach our office on Thursday, if at all possible. It will be necessary, therefore, for most letters to be mailed on Wednesday, or by Fast Mail, west, on W. M. R. R., Thursday morning. Letters mailed on Thursday evening may not reach us in time.

TO OUR CORRESPONDENTS.

We do not know how to thank, in any adequate way, our correspondents for their faithful services during the past year. They have been of great value to us, and of greater value to our readers—especially those away from home, for it is to these that local items are of the most interest.

The Record is not a big money-making proposition; nor does it have back of it a fund to draw from, whether it earns operating expenses or not. None of its employees are more than modestly paid, and its expense outlay requires careful watching, while all of our charges are based on the plan of the least expense to those who use our service.

We therefore trust that those who write for us—practically without pay—feel a real interest in the Record, that it fills a worthwhile place in its field, and that it has ideals and policies that are worthy of co-operation and support. And it is in this that we hope to have the continued help of our local correspondents.

UNIONTOWN.

The Christmas entertainments, given by our three Sunday Schools, were unusually well rendered to full houses, the Christmas spirit being well brought out. The pastors were all well remembered; also a few other faithful workers.

Christmas morning, thirty-two singers started at 4:30, singing the old familiar hymns through the village, stopping at the M. P. Church at 6:00 A. M., where Rev. F. M. Volk and Rev. J. H. Hoch held services for an hour. Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Smith, Portsmouth, Ohio, spent the holidays at M. A. Zolickoff's.

Miss Ella M. Heltbride, of Washington, was here for several days. Mrs. G. W. Baughman, Philadelphia, was at H. B. Fogle's, for the week.

The Week of Prayer Services will begin in the M. P. Church, Jan. 6th. Miss Mary Segafosse, of the Woman's Hospital, spent part of Christmas day with home folks.

The usual family dinners were much enjoyed, the day being an ideal one. The children were out in full force, trying new lumber jacks, scooters, wagons, bicycles, and the little girls hugging tightly their new dolls.

We hope the Editorial force and all the patrons of "The Carroll Record," have had a Merry Christmas, and will be happy and prosperous the coming year.

Miss Esther Crouse, a Senior at the State Normal, had two weeks' vacation, with her parents.

Mrs. Blanche Mering and sons, Kenneth and Ridgely, Baltimore, were guests at H. B. Mering's.

Mrs. C. Hann, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Lockard, spent the Christmas holidays in Philadelphia.

At the close of our schools for the holidays, a very interesting program was given by the pupils.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Eckard, Mr. and Mrs. Marlen Mentzer, Blue Ridge Summit, were callers on friends, in town, Christmas Day.

Franklin Brough spent part of the holidays in the city.

Charles Crumbacker is on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Graham, of California, the former belonging to the U. S. Navy, visited his mother, Mrs. Sophia Staub, the past week. The latter has closed her apartment for the winter, and will be with her daughter, Mrs. Guy Babylon, for the winter.

G. C. Garver and family spent Christmas at Horace Simpson's.

While helping to kill his hogs on Wednesday, Reverdy Beard had three fingers badly cut; seven stitches were necessary to close the cuts.

Rev. M. L. Kroh and sister, Miss Tillie, are both down with the grip. Mrs. Larue Schaffer, is also one of the victims. Quite a number are complaining.

Miss Rena Bare, New Windsor, is visiting at Guy Formwalt's.

MANCHESTER.

George Shower, a student at the University of Virginia, is spending Christmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Shower.

Mrs. Julia Outen and children, of Virginia, are spending a few days with Mrs. Outen's mother and sister, Mrs. Josephine and Miss Winifred Masenhimer.

Miss Elsie Brillhart, a student at Catawba College, Salisbury, N. C., is spending the holiday recess with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. David J. Brillhart, near Snickersburg.

The Christmas service was well rendered by the Lineboro Union S. S., Sunday evening. The offering was \$56.50, which exceeded previous marks of the present pastorate by good margin. The offering goes for Hoffman Orphanage. The Snickersburg Union S. S., rendered a fine program to a filled Church, on Monday evening. Of the offering received \$5.00 goes for Lutheran Missions and \$5.00 for the Hoffman Orphanage of the Reformed Church. Mrs. George Snyder the organist, was given a gift by the school and congregations, and the pastors were remembered with gifts in money.

Harry R. Diehl and Miss Beulah Elizabeth Shaffer, both of Mt. Zion, Baltimore, Co., were united in Holy wedlock on Dec. 24th., at 7 P. M., by the couples pastor, Rev. Paul E. Rhinehart. The ceremony was performed in the U. B. Parsonage, Manchester.

FEESERSBURG.

We haven't heard of any one being slighted by Santa Claus. He called at every home around here, leaving loads of good things to eat, and wear and read.

Our services passed off fine, with bright moonlight nights and good attendance. At Middleburg, the children did their parts well, interspersed with good music. Several of the young people had been selling candy for a prize, to be given after the entertainment. Adele and Mignon Rinehart won the first prize a \$5.00 gold piece for selling 60 boxes of 5c candy bars, also 22 five lb. boxes of chocolate candy. Mary Sherman won 2nd. prize, \$2.50, and others \$1 each. The sum total of sales amounted to more than a hundred dollars clear, for payment on their Church hall. The cloud over the above good time, was the announcement of the Conference removal of Rev. C. H. Richmond, from the Union Bridge pastorate, to the M. E. Church in Sykesville, early in the New Year. This comes as a blow to his many friends at Middleburg, where he has faithfully labored with unusual success.

At Mt. Union, the Church was beautifully decorated with fine Christmas garlands of red and green and tinsel, with colored electric lights; and the entire service in charge of the young people. With organ, cornet and two violins, accompanying the voices, the music was good, and all the exercises well done and interesting.

The Union Bridge Fire Engine & Co., passed rapidly through this place, on Sunday evening about 8:30 the burning shed at Jacob Myerly's home in Detour. The usual crowd went rushing after.

Mrs. C. S. Koons has been kindly remembered by her friends, and out of many invitations to Christmas dinner accepted that of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Jones, of Bark Hill, who returned her in time for supper with Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Harder.

Harold Crumbacker and family left, early Christmas morning, for his parents' home, in Waynesboro, where they spent the day.

Mrs. Robert Kemp, Mrs. Wm. Slemmer and son, of Frederick, and Mrs. Lillie B. Parker, of Smith College, Mass., who is home for the holidays, spent Friday afternoon with their cousins, L. K. Birely and sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Blocher and daughter, of Silver Springs, Md., their mother, Mrs. Clas Blocher, of Littleton, and Mrs. Clayton Koons, spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. John Starr.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bostian entertained his mother, Mrs. Horace Bostian, and sister, Mary, and brother Melvin and wife, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edw. Strawsburg and sons, Ralph and Harry, to a Christmas dinner.

LaGrippe is passing around just now, and it isn't a bit selfish, as many people are its victims.

Except the father, Albert Rinehart and youngest daughter, Adele, all the family (five) were sick enough to call the Doctor, about the hour of Santa's visit, on Monday night.

Mrs. Addison Koons and Mrs. Andrew Graham received boxes of home grown fruit from their sister, Mrs. Richard Starner, in Southern California, last week. Imagine picking oranges, lemons, dates and figs in your own back yard, and the scent of the blossoms free!

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Wolfe and relatives made a night trip to Mercersburg, to hear the chimes ring carols, at midnight, on Christmas Eve.

And now, to all a Happy New Year.

HARNEY.

On Dec. 1st., J. V. Eckenrode received a telegram from his son, Chas. V., of Pasadena, Cal., telling of the death of his brother, Maurice's wife, on Thursday evening previous, and of burial to be in San Francisco. Up to this date, Mr. Eckenrode has had no further information.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Harner, of Hanover, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Enoch Yealy, on Christmas day. Chas. Reck, of Yorkstead, and Miss Marian Reck, of Hamp, are spending the Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Reck.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hamalacker, of Gettysburg, visited their cousin, Miss Sara Ensor, on Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fream and two sons, spent Sunday with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fream.

Mrs. Mervin Patterson and son, Glenn, and daughter, Pauline, and Mrs. Clarence King and daughter, Janet, spent Wednesday afternoon here, visiting the former's mother, Mrs. Edw. Snyder.

Miss Isabel Eckenrode, of Church Home Infirmary, Baltimore, spent a few hours here, on Christmas day, with her home people.

Ralph Yealy, of Towson, is spending his vacation with his parents.

The Christmas program of both Churches here, were well rendered.

No Preaching Service at St. Paul's next Sabbath, due to Communion Services of Mt. Joy.

Mrs. Sallie Slick, of Taneytown, spent last Thursday evening with her nieces and nephew here.

Mrs. Granville Study called to see Mrs. Edw. Snyder and Miss Ruth Snider, on Wednesday afternoon.

MAYBERRY.

Little Helen Bollinger and Lloyd Bollinger are under the Doctor's care, with grip.

Miss Obel Bortner, of Hanover, and her brother, Gletus Hetrick, Hawn's Mill, called to see Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Crushong and family, on Christmas morning; also V. E. Heffner and son, John.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Hawn and daughter, Viola, son Charles, of Hawn's Mill, spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Flickinger.

Garland Bollinger had the misfortune to lose a valuable cow.

Sunday School, Sunday morning, at Mayberry Church of God, 9:30; Preaching, 10:30, by the pastor, Rev. Levi Carbaugh.

Sorry to hear of the death of David Sullivan, of near Taneytown. Much sympathy is felt for the son.

Wishing the Editor and all readers a Happy New Year.

KEYMAR.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Cover entertained at their home, on Friday evening before Christmas, their children, grand children and neighbors, to an oyster dinner, the guest of honor being their grand-daughter, Mrs. Robert Hearen, (nee Miss Gardner), of Cleveland, Ohio, who was visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gardner, of Blue Ridge Summit, and Santa arrived a little early for Christmas and distributed gifts to every one present. Leaving at the midnight hour, they all expressed themselves as having a very good time.

Edward Lee Hively, Frederick, was a visitor at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Cover.

Mrs. R. W. Galt, after spending ten days in Baltimore, at the home of her sisters, Mrs. E. H. Davis, and Mrs. M. G. Barr, and brother, Mr. Richard Dorsey, was accompanied home by her brother, Richard and sister, Mrs. Barr.

S. D. Newman spent Christmas with his children, at Smithsburg.

On Christmas day, Mr. and Mrs. G. Baxter Haugh, of Clear Spring, gave a Christmas dinner for Mrs. Haugh's family. It being a beautiful day, they all turned out to partake of the good things, which was so bountifully prepared.

Christmas Carols were sung very beautifully, through Keymar, last Sunday night from 11 to 12 o'clock, stopping at every home through the town, included the following: "Oh Come, all Ye Faithful"; "Silent Night"; and "Joy to the World." The following persons took part: Mrs. W. H. Otto on this place; Harry Stone-sifer, of near Emmitsburg; leader of the singing; John Drenning, Bruceville; Mr. and Mrs. George Koons, of near this place; Mr. and Mrs. E. Scott Koons, Miss Annie Mehring, Miss Estella Koons, Miss Dorothy Haugh, and now the most of the singers are in bed with grip.

Mrs. Catherine Six, widow of the late Wm. Six, died at the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Newton Six, near this place, last Tuesday night, at 10:30, in her 81st year. Funeral will take place this Friday afternoon, at 1:30 o'clock at the house, with further services at Keysville Lutheran Church by her pastor the Rev. Williams. Burial in adjoining cemetery.

Raymond Wilson made a business trip to Chicago, last week.

Mrs. Maggie Otto is spending the holidays in Baltimore, at the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Dent.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gardner and son, Charles, Jr., of Blue Ridge Summit, and Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Cover, and two daughters, Detour, were last week visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. F. Cover.

The sale of the personal property of the late Edwin Sharets, which was held last Saturday, was largely attended. The home was bid up to \$440, but was not sold.

Mr. and Mrs. George Dern spent Christmas day at the home of their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dern, Taneytown.

Luther Mehring, of Baltimore, spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Upton Mehring.

Pearre Sappington, of Unionville, spent last Monday with his grandmother and aunt, Mrs. Fannie Sappington and daughter, Miss Cora. On Tuesday he left for Hagerstown, to spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Nettie Sappington.

It seems that at every home in Keymar; some of the family is suffering with the grip.

KEYSVILLE.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Stonesifer entertained on Christmas Day, the following: Mr. and Mrs. William Baker, of New Midway; George Ritter, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stonesifer, Mrs. Harvey Shryock and children, John and Kathryn; Misses Ruth Valentine, Clara Stonesifer, of Motters Station, and Romaine Valentine, of Harney; Guy Frock and Glen Stonesifer.

Entertained at Christmas.

(For the Record.) Those who were entertained, at supper, on Christmas night, at the home of Mrs. Ida Weishaar and son, Carroll, Fairview, were: Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Smith and daughter, Pauline and son, Earle, and Ross Swartz, Littlestown, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hiltbricker and daughters, Oneida, Ethel and Charlotte, near Taneytown; Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Weishaar and children, Arlene, Frances, Fred and Mary Jane, New Windsor; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Weishaar, Union Bridge; Mr. and Mrs. LaVerne Rittace and son, Billy, near Taneytown; Mr. and Mrs. George Baker and children, Mary, Louise, Raymond, Marcus, Jack and Harry, Fairview; Mrs. Sterling Nusbam and children, Arlene, Katharine and Elwood, Taneytown; Miss Grace Marquett, Tyrone; Miss Laura Smith, near Fairview.

MR. GEORGE A. MILLER. Mr. George A. Miller, former deputy Clerk of the Court in this County for 42 years, up until 1909, died suddenly on December 20, at the home of his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Smith, near Wakefield, aged about 83 years.

He had been bailiff to the petit jury for a number of years, and served as such during the November term of Court, as late as Wednesday of last week. He is survived by his second wife, and several brothers and sisters. Funeral services were held on Sunday, interment in Westminster cemetery.

MR. DAVID C. SULLIVAN. Mr. David C. Sullivan died at his home near Taneytown, Dec. 21, following a lengthy period of failing health, but had been seriously ill for only about one week. His age was 81 years, 9 months, 25 days.

He was a son of the late David L. and Julia Sullivan, his father having been a veteran of the Civil War, and a blacksmith for many years. He is survived by one son, Wilbur, at home, and by one grand-daughter.

Funeral services were held on Sunday, Dec. 23, at the home, in charge of Rev. Geo. A. Brown, interment being in the Keysville cemetery.

MRS. CATHARINE SIX. Mrs. Catharine, widow of the late Mr. Wm. F. Six, died at the home of her son, Newton E., near Middleburg, on Dec. 25, 1928, aged 80 years, 10 months, 28 days. Mrs. Six had been living among her children for a number of years, and had been ill for about two months.

She is survived by the following children: William G., Walkersville; John W., near Emmitsburg; Newton E., near Middleburg; A. Roy, at Detour; Ersa S., Keysville; C. E., at Middleburg; Marlin F., Rocky Ridge; Mrs. Owen H. Elyer, Sykesville; Mrs. Oscar Hiner, New Windsor; Mrs. Ross Adams, Middleburg; and by one sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Myers, Keysville; also by 44 grand-children and 12 great-grand-children.

Funeral services this Friday afternoon, at the home, followed by services in the Keysville Lutheran Church. Interment in the Keysville cemetery.

Active Centenarian Although past one hundred five, Daniel Robinson of Maghery, Ireland, is still busy fishing. He seldom misses a day with hook and line, and when out fishing with his grandson recently caught twenty pike. Robinson lives with his son who is seventy-five, and both draw old-age pensions. In the house next to him are his grand-daughter and baby great-grandson. The aged man declares that he has never been sick a day in his life. He does not smoke, drinks very little and prefers buttermilk to porter.

"There are very few original thinkers in the world; the greatest part of those who are called philosophers have adopted the opinions of some other who went before them."

"Humanly speaking, there is a certain degree of temptation which will ever come any virtue. Now, in so far as you approach tempting a man, you do him an injury, and if he is overcome, you share his guilt."

TOOK SODA 20 YEARS FOR GAS--STOPS NOW

"For 20 years I took soda for indigestion and stomach gas. One bottle of Aderika brought me complete relief."—J. B. Hardy.

Aderika relieves stomach gas and sourness in TEN minutes. Acting on BOTH upper and lower bowel, it removes old waste matter you never thought was in your system. Let Aderika give your stomach and bowels a REAL cleansing and see how much better you feel. It will surprise you! Robert S. McKinney, Druggist, Taneytown, Md.

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More Proper.

A young married man and his bride applied at the box office of the Capitol Theatre, New York on Christmas night for tickets.

"Orchestra chairs, parquet or family circle?" asked the ticket seller.

"Which'll it be, Marie?" asked the groom.

"Well," she replied with a blush; "Bein' as how we're married now, perhaps it would be more proper to sit in the family circle."

Sound Effects.

A lady motorist whose car had swerved across a street and crashed through a plateglass window one Christmas Eve, was being questioned by the local police sergeant after the accident.

"Surely on such a wide street as this," said the interrogator, "you could have done something to prevent this accident."

"I did," the delinquent assured him quite earnestly; "I screamed as loud as I could!"

Complimentary.

A man who fancied himself as a motor engineer bought a second-hand car as a Christmas present, and had just completed one or two urgent repairs. He stepped back and surveyed his handiwork.

"There!" he exclaimed to a friend, "you'd never think she was second-hand now, would you?"

His friend cast a critical glance over the car before replying.

"N-no," he agreed; "it's more like something you'd made yourself."

MARRIED

SKINNER—ERB.

W. George Skinner, of Union Bridge, and Miss Rebecca E. Erb, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Lee Erb, of Detour, were quietly married, at the home of the bride's parents, on Monday, at 12 M., in the presence of the immediate family.

The ring ceremony was performed by Rev. Charles Elderderice, of Westminster.

After a short trip South, they will reside in Union Bridge, the bride being a teacher in the High School, and the groom a chemist for the Lehigh Cement Company.

LIPPY—SANDRUCK.

On Saturday, Dec. 23, at 6 P. M., Mr. Paul M. Lippy, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Lippy, of near Pleasant Hill, Pa., and Miss Lula M. Sandruck, of Manchester, Md., a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sandruck, were united in marriage, by the bride's pastor, Rev. John S. Hollenbach, at the Reformed Parsonage, Manchester, Md. A beautifully engraved ring figured in the ceremony. The bride is employed at the Sewing Factory between Hanover and McSherrystown. The groom is employed on his father's farm. They were unattended Mrs. Hollenbach witnessed the ceremony.

DIED.

Obituaries, poetry and resolutions, charged for at the rate of five cents per line. The regular death notices published free.

Animal Weather Prophets

The cat always has been regarded by observant people as a reliable weather prophet. When kitty rushes around with her caudal appendage high in the air, they say "pussy has wind in her tail, it's going to blow."

Fishermen declare that the cat and wireless as a weather prophet cannot compare with pigs. A pig in the cold-fishing bark Seawell foretold storms in the Far North with such accuracy, they assert that it saved the lives of all on board three times. Hours in advance of a storm, the pig would run to and fro on deck squealing and leaping sideways. The fishermen made their preparations accordingly, and on each occasion the storm failed to take them unawares.

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ADVANCE-RUMLEY POWER FARMING SCHOOL
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Moving Picture Theatre, Woodsboro, Md.,
JANUARY 7, 1929.
Beginning at 8:30 a. m. An all day and night session.
Come one, come all. Learn something new. Dealer
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Poet's Lyric Tribute to Queen of Beauty

Julian Hawthorne saw a great deal of Joaquin Miller, the "Poet of the Sierras," when both were living in London years ago, a writer in the Kansas City Times tells us. Once at a garden party at which Lillie Langtry—then in the first bloom of her beauty—was the center of attraction, Hawthorne introduced the poet to the ravishing Jersey Lily.

"I left them talking prosperously," relates Hawthorne in his reminiscences, "Shapes That Pass," "but Joaquin came hastening after me in a few moments.

"Have you got a bit of paper?" he asked. "I have a pencil; she wants me to write her a lyric."

"I found an old envelope in my pocket," adds Julian, "he seized it, and squatted down on the turf, where I left him scribbling and went back to keep Lillie till he was ready. It seemed hardly five minutes before he came strolling toward us smiling in his yellow beard and waving the envelope."

And here is the lyric. Hawthorne says he does not think it has been in print till now:

If all God's earth a garden were,
And all the women flowers,
And I a bee that buzzed there
Through all the summer hours,
Oh, I would buzz the garden through
For honey—till I came to you!

Folklore Legends That Have Many Believers

Curious old customs, legends and superstitions still existing in the British Isles were recalled at a congress of the British Folklore society. For example, one speaker told the congress that there still is a belief in the Isle of Man that the cats of the island have a king of their own. During the day the "king" lives the life of an ordinary house cat. At night he assumes his royal attributes and travels about in regal state. It is dangerous for a householder with whom he lives to treat the "king cat" unkindly. Cats are further believed to be on intimate terms with fairies and other invisible inhabitants of the world of mystery. The cat is the only member of the household allowed to remain in the kitchen when the fairies enter to warm themselves after the human residents have gone to bed. Again, large black dogs with flaming eyes are supposed to roam the island at night. The best way to pursue a witch is to chase her with a greyhound having not a single black hair. An old Manx law is to the effect that any Manxman might kill a Scotsman provided that the Manxman must go to Scotland and bring back two goats to keep the victim's ghost away.—Pierre Van Paassen, in the Atlanta Constitution.

The Birth of London

No one can say when London began; the beginning is lost in the mists of time. London is first mentioned in a passage in Tacitus, a Roman historian whose uncle, General Agricola, spent most of his active military career in Britain. Tacitus describes the Roman London of A. D. 61 when it was sacked by Queen Boadicea—the British warrior-queen.

It is one of the strangest things in London's history, that she should first appear at the moment when she was sacked by a British queen, and that that queen's statue should now stand in a place of honor under the palace of Westminster, looking down the Thames. It is strange, but it marks that peculiar position of London as the meeting place of the races out of which the English people were made.

Nature Will Out

The gods were once disputing whether it was possible for a living being to change its nature. Jupiter said "Yes," but Venus said "No." So, to try the question, Jupiter turned a cat into a maiden, and gave her to a young man for a wife. The wedding was duly performed, and the young couple sat down to the wedding feast. "See," said Jupiter to Venus, "how becomingly she behaves. Who could tell that yesterday she was but a cat? Surely her nature is changed." "Wait a minute," replied Venus, and let loose a mouse into the room. No sooner did the bride see this than she jumped up from her seat and tried to pounce upon the mouse. "Ah, you see," said Venus, "nature will out."—Aesop.

Altering a Sundial

I was in the Old world garden of a friend near a sleepy Huntingdonshire town when I made the discovery, says a writer in the London Chronicle. Seeing an old sundial, I went across, as all humans would, and compared the time shown with my watch. I was startled to find that the sundial registered the correct time! My friend full of wisdom, explained that as a sundial could, anyway, only be read in the summer time, he decided to have his corrected for British summer time. The idea was bright enough, no doubt, but to me the action had rather the air of meddling with eternal things.

Vigilant Law Officer Had Seen 'Em Doing It

Speeding across the country from Los Angeles to New York by motor, two motion-picture celebrities were held up by the constable in a small town and, as usual, the officer had all the advantage on his side. He refused to give them a ticket and finally compromised by taking them directly before the judge.

The constable was very hot under the collar and declared he would make it hot for them, but the couple were hardly prepared for the outraged officer's charge in court.

"Your honor," he announced pompously, "this is a couple of motion-picture people an' the charge I'm preferrin' against them is arson."

"Arson!" roared one of the accused. "What do you mean! We were never out of our car till you flagged us!"

"You was burnin' up the road, an' I'm preferrin' the charge of arson against you," insisted the constable, and even the court had to laugh as he let them off with a five dollar fine.

SPECIAL NOTICES

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WILL DO SHOE and Harness repairing, until further notice. Terms Cash.—H. E. Reck. 12-21-2f

FOR SALE—Good Bread Route. Possession at once.—Harry Copenhagen, Taneytown, Md. 12-14-3t

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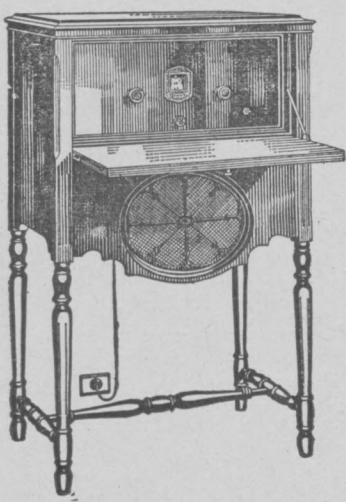
FOR RENT—Half of my House.—J. Willis Nusbbaum. 11-9-2f

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Wash to Get Clean Shirts
In the course of a trial in Brighton, England, a police court judge asked a man if he never loved his wife who he married her. The accused husband's answer was, "To get a clean shirt." The astounded magistrate sentenced him to do the household washing for one year, and told the aggrieved wife to report to him if the man didn't do a good job. The magistrate's parting remark was: "Now you will have clean shirts."

CHURCH NOTICES.

This column is for the free use of all churches, for a brief announcement of services. Please do not elaborate. It is always understood that the public is invited.

Trinity Lutheran Church—9:00 A. M., Sunday School; 10:00, Worship. Theme: "Memory, Hope, Effort." 6:30 Luther League; 7:30, Worship. Theme: "Lift Up Thine Eyes."

Reformed Church, Taneytown.—S. School, 9:15; Election of officers. Service, 10:15; Annual Congregational Meeting and election of Elders and Deacons immediately after the morning service. C. E., 6:30; Service, 7:30. Keysville—Sunday School, 1:00; Service, 2:00.

Piney Creek Presbyterian—Preaching, 9:30; Sunday School, 10:30. Taneytown Presbyterian Church—Sabbath School, 10:00; C. E., 6:45; Preaching Service, 7:30.

Taneytown U. B. Church—Sunday School, 9:30; Holy Communion, at 10:30; Sr. C. E., 6:30. Harney—Sunday School, 1:30; Holy Communion, 2:30; The Ladies' Aid Society will meet at the home of Mrs. Charles Bridinger, Thursday evening, Jan. 3, at 7:30.

Keysville Lutheran Church.—S. S., 1:00; Preaching, 2:00; C. E. Society, 7:00; Preaching, 8:00.

St. Mary's Ref. Church, Silver Run—Sunday School, 9:00; Morning Worship, 10:00; Christian Endeavor, 6:30; Evening Service, 7:30.

Manchester Ref. Charge, Manchester.—S. S., 9:30; Worship, 10:30; C. E., 6:30; Mr. Elmer Gentz, an active worker in Sherman's Church will be the speaker. The topic is "Learning from Experience." Lineboro—Worship, 1:00; S. S., at 2:00.

Snydersburg—S. S., 1:15; Worship, 2:30; Subject for the three Services: "How do You Reckon Your Age?"

Unontown Lutheran Charge, St. Paul's.—S. S., 9:30; C. E., 6:30; Preaching, 7:30.

Baust's.—S. S., 9:30; Divine Worship, 10:30. Mt. Union.—S. S., 9:00; C. E., 6:30

Manchester U. B. Circuit, Bixler's.—S. S., 10:00; Worship, 7:30. Mt. Zion.—S. S., 2:00; Installation of officers at this service; Worship, 3:00; C. E., 7:00.

Miller's.—S. S., 9:30; Worship and Holy Communion, 10:30; C. E., 7:00.

Silver Run Lutheran Charge.—Silver Run, 9:00; Pleasant Valley, 10:30.

Mental Transformation

In the case of some investigations of epilepsy, a French neurologist secured some specimens of writing before epileptic seizure and continued during that state. His report is that the part written in a normal and lucid state is correct as to form and content, while the part written in an epileptic state is incorrect in both content and form. The defects in the writing appear suddenly, with no transitional phase, and affect the penmanship and the composition. The letters have become curved, the outlines have been enlarged and the forms have been changed. The composition is a strange, incoherent conglomeration of words and ideas.

Wealth From "Scrap"

By the process of reclamation of the scrap pile now being generally followed by nearly all the railroad companies, bright new tin buckets, cups and other articles are being manufactured from old metal roofing, empty powder and carbide containers and other junk salvaged. Old broom handles are made into staffs for signal flags, old canvas is transformed into curtains for the locomotive cabs and coaches, steam-pipe coverings and aprons. Thrift practices such as these save the carriers hundreds of thousands of dollars annually.

Personal Work

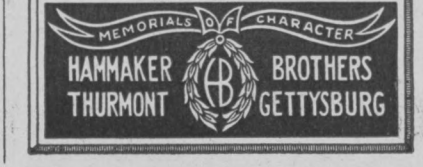
Years ago C. H. Spurgeon, advocating personal work, said: "If you had one hundred empty bottles before you, and threw a pail of water over them, some would get a little in them, but most would fall outside. If you wish to fill the bottles, the best way is to take each bottle separately and put a vessel full of water to the bottle's mouth." That is successful personal work.

Just One more

Bobby, a four-year-old Irvington boy, has reached the inquisitive age. The other day he was particularly annoying, and his mother was busy answering his questions. Finally she could stand it no longer. "Bobby, stop asking those foolish questions and run out and play," she ordered. "Oh, just one more," pleaded Bobby. "Say, if I was twins, which one would I be?" Indianapolis News.

THERE IS YET TIME

Do not let the Old Year pass without erecting a Memorial to the memory of the departed loved one.



The New Year's Special Traveler
by **Mary Graham Bonner**

"COME along, come along," said the New Year, "I've no time to waste."
"You're one for hurrying," said the Special Traveler, "but I'm not a slow one, either."
"Good for you," said the New Year. "That's the way to talk."
The New Year just had to be on time. No year had ever been late in arriving.
"I don't have to have a ticket, do I?" said the Special Traveler.
"Of course not," said the New Year. "You can travel free. Come, jump into my bag."
The New Year carried a bag across his back. The New Year was not very big in size. The New Year was not very old. But he was strong and bursting with energy.
"How do I look?" he asked, with one last glance at the mirror of Time.
"Wonderful," said Father Time. "Your snow costume is most becoming. Most appropriate, too. I'm sure you won't catch cold, even though you're



only wearing a snow costume and even though there isn't much of it.
"But you're a healthy young year. I can see that."
The New Year was off.
The Special Traveler was with him. The bells began to ring. Horns were blowing, bells were pealing. People were singing.
"Happy New Year," resounded through the frosty air, through the warm rooms of the houses.
Gay music was being played. Some people were dancing. And then came the New Year.
One, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven, twelve.
The Old Year vanished.
The New Year arrived.
"Happy New Year, Happy New Year, Happy New Year."
Every one greeted every one else. Every one felt love in their hearts. Every one felt the glow of friendship, the inspiration or romance.
"Ah, I must be rushing about," said the Special Traveler, as he left the New Year's great bag in which he had traveled, quite free of charge, into the world.
He went everywhere. He darted here, he darted there. Sometimes he just threw his arrows of friendship, sometimes he threw his arrows of piercing love. Sometimes he threw his arrows of devotion.
For Cupid, or Love, carries many arrows.
Cupid, or Love, is always well equipped.
And all over the world he darted, this way, that way, back again, far ahead.
For it was Cupid, or Love, who was the New Year's special traveler.
And it was he who came quite free of traveling expenses.
"Happy New Year," said everyone. "A very happy New Year," said some. "A happy New Year now and forever," said others.
The Special Traveler was busily at work!

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A New Year's Eve Miracle
by **Martha Banning Thomas**

THE storm began at four in the afternoon. First the wind and then the rain. The noise of it was deafening.
"You can't go on tonight," said the woman peering out of her window. "See how dark it is. The rain is like a sheet. You'll never be able to keep in the road. If you make a mistake you'll drive over the edge of the cliffs. Better stay here. We'll give you supper and a bed to sleep in."
The man, a stranger in the small, sea-coast village, stood silently beside the window. He frowned. "I'm not afraid," he said. "I must get on. This is New Year's eve, and I promised to be home. I've been away a long time."
The woman gave a grunt of disapproval. "Only a miracle will save you tonight," she mumbled. "But go if you must."
"I don't believe in miracles," said the man. "Keeping your wits about you is the only help from God."
The woman threw up her hands. "Don't say that," she cried. "Perhaps you have never been near death, as our men who go to sea . . . and who have been saved suddenly as by a miracle."
"I have been to sea in my time," answered the man, "and I tell you, its all wits and luck, whether you drown or live. I'll keep a sharp eye out for trouble tonight, and if I'm smart," he smiled at the woman, "I'll make it."
"If God sees fit," said the woman stolidly. "Here are your hat and coat." She gave him a few sandwiches wrapped in heavy brown paper. She offered him an extra rug which he refused. "I'll send you word of my safe arrival home," said the man. "I ought to get there late tonight."
"Good-by," called the woman. "And may a miracle save you from your own folly."
The door slammed. In a moment the furious explosions of a car about to start penetrated the noise of the wind.
The woman prepared supper for her husband and children. Then the dishes were washed and put away. She took up some mending, but the thought of the stranger trying to drive through the blackness of the storm never left her. She was a pious woman and she prayed for him; her simple faith knew no other way.
In the night there came a knocking on the door. The stranger had come back. The woman asked no questions until he was warmed and fed.
"Your miracle happened," the man said in a low voice. "The gas in my car gave out three feet this side of a bridge that had washed away. I could see nothing in the heavy rain. I should have been killed. I was saved, but not by my own wits. And every New Year's eve I shall thank God and remember."
The woman smiled and wrung the water from his sodden cap.

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GRID HERO FUMBLES IN BURGLARY GAME

Former University Star Now Shattered Idol.

Los Angeles, Calif.—On the football field, as a star player for the University of Southern California, Capt. Johnny Hawkins played the game and won, but when he stepped out into life and played the game of burglary he lost.

And so today he sits in his cell in the Los Angeles county jail, a shattered idol, convicted on five counts of burglary, and facing a term in the state prison at San Quentin of from five to seventy-five years.

As on the football field, Hawkins played the game for all it was worth, so as a burglar he was no piker. Police estimated his total thefts, in about twenty burglaries, at about \$35,000. His burglaries were committed exclusively in homes of the well to do, and his plunder consisted almost entirely of wearing apparel, silveware, jewelry and the like.

Said His Wife Was Ill.

Naturally, when the tens of thousands of persons in southern California who had cheered themselves hoarse at Hawkins' athletic exploits for his alma mater read of his being caught red handed by the police in the act of burglarizing a Los Angeles residence last June 17 they were shocked. There must be some mistake, they thought, there must be some explanation.

Well, Hawkins was there with the explanation. He asked his friends through the newspapers, to withhold judgment until all the facts were known. Inferentially, he had a bona fide alibi. There was no escaping the fact that the police caught him in the act, and the bulk of his loot was found cached in the attic of his parents' home in Whittier, a town about fifteen miles southeast of Los Angeles where he had gone to high school.

As soon as Hawkins retained an attorney the "explanations" he had promised were forthcoming. The explanations were two.

First, he had an uncontrollable urge to steal things, due to a head injury received while playing football. Second, he had experienced financial reverses since leaving college and taking up the business of real estate operator, and he had to steal to obtain money to finance a major operation for his young wife.

These "explanations" Hawkins gave to his friends through the newspapers. There was a series of legal juggling, the outcome of which was that Hawkins pleaded guilty to five of thirty counts of burglary on which he had been indicted. The twenty-six-year-old athlete was permitted to file an application for probation. The belief among those on the "inside" was that he would receive probation.

Recently Johnny appeared before Judge Charles Fricke of Los Angeles County Superior court on his application for probation. After his attorney had made his plea for mercy and another chance for his client, Hawkins himself was given an opportunity to say a word.

Fails to Explain.

"Don't you think I would be a respectable citizen after all this trouble if I were given another chance?" he asked the judge.

"I am sorry," the judge replied. "but I don't think you would. Why did you commit these burglaries?"

And here was the big opportunity for the former football hero to give his friends the "explanations" he had promised.

"I don't know," was his answer. The talk of the "delicate operation" on his head had gone no further than talk. No explanation was offered to Judge Fricke about the wife's operation. There was only the report of the probation officer, which the judge said was not encouraging.

Judge Fricke sentenced Hawkins to the penitentiary on each of the five counts. The former idol was a picture of dejection as he was led from the courtroom manacled to a deputy sheriff.

Hawkins may ask for a new trial and failing to receive it he may appeal. Until these legal aspects are disposed of he will be held in the county jail for about thirty days before being taken north to begin serving his sentence.

Hawkins played on the University of Southern California football team as a guard for two years, and in his senior year, 1925, he played quarterback and was captain. He was rated as an excellent player, but coast sport writers say he was not popular with his teammates, despite his selection as captain, because he was "cantankerous and domineering."

Calf Has Two Heads, Two Tails, Seven Legs

TRURO, N. S.—Among the numerous attractions at the annual maritime winter fair at Amherst, N. S., is a freak calf. The little animal has two heads, two tails and seven legs, and has been the attraction for large numbers of persons for several months at the farm of its owner in Kent county, New Brunswick.

Police Dog His Guide.

New York.—A police dog is supposed to be the eyes of a motorist who left for Los Angeles blindfolded. It was announced when Jimmy Burns, racing driver, departed that he would be guided solely by Pedro's barking, whining and scratching.

CONFUCIUS' GRIP ON CHINA SLIPS

Policy of Religious Freedom Doooms Old Creeds.

Nanking, China.—Confucianism, under the nationalist regime, has lost its last claim to be the state religion of China.

The Nanking government has decreed that nothing be done to prevent veneration to the memory and teachings of the great sage, but the old influence of Confucius has crumbled under the weight of modernistic nationalism.

This summary of Nanking's attitude toward the ancient faith and code which has molded Chinese thought and conduct for more than two thousand years was given the Associated Press by a direct descendant of Confucius who is also a member of the nationalist government. He is Dr. H. H. Kung (Kung Hsiang-shi) of the seventy-fifth generation in direct line from the sage, whose Chinese name was Kung Fu-tzu. Doctor Kung, alumnus of Oberlin and Yale universities, is minister of industry and commerce and, while proud of his Confucian lineage, is a Christian.

"Many persons, especially abroad, erroneously conceive of Confucianism as a religion," said Doctor Kung. "Confucianism actually is a code of philosophy, a standard of ethical conduct for which no claim is made of divine or supernatural sanction.

"However, the policy of the nationalist government is complete religious freedom and toleration, and we shall do nothing to interfere with those who still worship Confucius.

"Certainly we shall do nothing to cast disrespect on the memory of this great man, who is venerated as the great sage and teacher of the Chinese people."

Noted Scot to Judge Steers at Exposition

Chicago.—Visitors at the International Live Stock exposition, to be held in Chicago from December 1 to 8, will have the opportunity of seeing Walter Biggar of Dalbeattie, Scotland, judge the individual street classes again.

It will be the fourth time that Mr. Biggar has crossed the Atlantic in this capacity. Opinion is that this division of the exposition requires a fund of knowledge of animal form and a great deal of care and good judgment in exercising it. Ring-side audiences, reporters of the show, and exhibitors themselves are united in their opinion that the work has never been performed more faultlessly than by this Scottish judge. It will evolve upon him to pick the grand-champion steer of the show. From \$1.10 to \$3.60 a pound have been paid for these grand-champion selections of Walter Biggar, in the auctions of fat cattle that follow his judging.

A Canadian of note among livestock circles who will visit the Chicago show in the capacity of judge is William Dryden of Brooklin, Ontario. He will serve as one of a committee of three to pass upon the Aberdeen-Angus breed, and another illustrious Canadian is W. L. Carlyle, who will journey to Chicago to tie the ribbons in the Clydesdale horse classes. Mr. Carlyle is the manager of the Prince of Wales ranch at Calgary, Alberta, Canada.

Soldier's Pay Is a Gift, Court Rules in Canada

Vancouver, B. C.—Holding that a soldier cannot sue for his pay, Justice Audette, in exchequer court, dismissed the suit of John Williams Cooke for \$3,275 claimed due as pay and allowances for time he was held as a prisoner in Germany. During the time he says he was prisoner, he was classified on army rolls as a deserter and his pay stopped.

The case was decided on the crown's contention that there was no contractual relation between soldier and crown, the undertaking of the latter to pay being voluntary and the pay itself a gratuity, since the soldier, as a citizen of the state, could not enter into a contract with himself.

2,976 Languages

Berlin.—A total of 2,976 languages spoken throughout the world is given by Der Deutsche as the result of carefully compiled statistics from the various countries. This number includes the many barbaric means of expression used in various obscure corners of the earth.

Liberia Floods Uncover Rich Diamond Field

Monrovia, Liberia.—Recent heavy rains have disclosed the existence of what appears to be a rich diamond field. In the wake of disastrous floods which changed the landscape in many sections of the country four diamonds of excellent quality have been found.

A report of a survey made by an English engineer 20 years ago says: "I have every reason to believe that on this spot a new diamond field will one day be found having the same character as the great Kimberley mines." The report designated the exact locality where the recent discoveries were made.

THE SOCIETY QUEEN

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"AND I was going to make such an impression on those stuck-up easterners!" Portia covered her face and wept.

"There's more at stake than your reputation with Eldridge and his wife," rejoined Robert Anthony, with energy. "You obey the doctor's orders and you'll come out of this with your health unimpaired. If you don't do as he said and stay in bed another week—well, you know what may happen. Got everything you want? I wish I could get a nurse or a cook or something. But they're not to be persuaded to come out here to this half-desert because of those enormous wages they get in Rocky Hill. Well, I hate to leave you. But I've got to. I don't believe they'll get here before tomorrow at the earliest, his Nibs and Nibbess. They'll just have to put up with old Ben's cooking, I guess. Salt pork and hominy three times a day'll do 'em good!"

Portia let out one small pink ear to receive his parting salute and then descended into the unfathomable depths of her woe.

She was a good housekeeper. A graduate in domestic science with honors, she did not know what she was doing. Out here eighteen miles from any town her house had an "air." Awnings she had bought with her little pig's money. Candles about in groups after dark—not horrible, smoky kerosene lamps—cast their glamorous light over the low, wide house, open to the loveliness of the plains night after being closed all day to the heat and glare of the Texas sun. It took brains—brains and muscle to achieve them. And now when Bob's "backer," the great Eldridge, was coming for his first visit from Philadelphia with his society wife—to be compelled by a silly fall from a kitchen stool to stay in bed for two weeks was a good deal for an ambitious husband-adoring young woman to stand.

She did not hear a car come gently to a stop beside the east porch. Miserable and disappointed, self-pitying and apathetic she lay and endured hours. Perhaps she slept.

"Your lunch is served." Started and incredulous Portia lifted her tear-stained face. Was she dreaming? She tossed brown curls from over her eyes and stared.

"Lunch?" she questioned stupidly.

"Yes, ma'am," answered a thick-set woman with a wide kind face, a fresh rosy skin and twinkling blue eyes.

Portia Taunton glanced at the tray in the strong hands of the aproned figure beside her bed. Croquettes, golden and crinkly; biscuit, marmalade and tea invited. She raised her eyes to the kind face above this perfect lunch. Tears of happiness blinded her.

"Oh, who are you?" she gasped.

"I am Elsie," the sturdy creature replied.

"Oh, why—" Portia gulped—"Bob must have found you at last. I am so glad. Could you stay a week, do you suppose? I have some terribly stylish and important company due any minute," she said tremulous with hope, incredulity and desire, "and they have simply got to be impressed, you see, for Bob's sake. I thought I was going to show—" she was once more her impulsive, frank self—"show that swell eastern society queen we're the right kind, that I'm a help to Bob, you know, and he's worth backing—and how—"

"Yes, ma'am," the guttural voice sympathized. "Just don't worry. I stay von veek, maybe three veek. I cook to please de so stylish frau! And now you will please eat."

After lunch—she had been subsisting on Old Ben's and Robert's culinary atrocities for a week now—she essayed a few orders with regard to her beloved menage.

"Please have the house entirely gone over by tomorrow, early," Elsie, she said. "I'll make out the menus. Mr. Taunton will send a truck in to town for what we need. You do realize, do you not, Elsie, how important it is that everything should be perfect?"

"But, yes, ma'am."

Portia had a little bell and she used it not by any means infrequently. She told herself she was going to get her money's worth out of this strapping strong creature. She'd impress that society queen in one way or another. But his Nibs and Nibbess did not appear the next day. Nor the next nor the next.

"You'd think," Portia complained with frankness to her maid, "you'd think even rich people could be considerate, wouldn't you? But of course a frivolous delicate society queen wouldn't realize what a visit from her to a poor woman would mean. Did you close the doors, Elsie, and pick up the awnings away down? Go and pull that thread, it's annoyed me long enough. Elsie, wouldn't you hate to live the life of a social butterfly?"

"Oh, but, yes, ma'am, I say I hate it! Me—I like work!"

"And she'll be supercilious and disagreeable or else silly and vain and helpless. Well—I wish she'd hurry and come and get it over with. Did you polish the silver, Elsie?"

"Yes, ma'am."

"Elsie?"

"Yes, ma'am."

"If these people are impressed and get this water control plan across and get awfully rich here in this half-

desert with you come and work for us? I'm going to have ten children, you know. I am Rooseveltian."

"I think I like do dat thing, ma'am. It may be I work for you den." The days went happily by. Elsie working, Portia commanding—instinctively. Robert was rarely in the house. Never had he seemed so busy. When he came to the invalid's room his stay was brief, his face flushed, his eye asparkle.

And then the doctor came and pronounced her well. She was up and dressed almost before he had mounted and ridden away. She hurried to the kitchen. Elsie was making biscuit. Oh, the house did look perfect. And there was everything imaginable cooked and waiting on the pantry shelves.

"Elsie," she cried breathlessly after a glance out into the glaring hot day. "You may go. Right away. There's Ben with the truck just starting for town. Hurry!"

Elsie took off her apron, climbed stolidly up into the truck.

"Well, Elsie," called Portia, "I'm sure you know I am very grateful. You are rather an extravagant cook, but you've done really well considering everything. Good-by!"

"Good-by."

Well, that was over. Perhaps though, she had better count the silver spoons and the linen napkins.

At about sunset—the spoons and napkins had answered a unanimous present at roll-call—she heard the soft sound of tires on sand, the purr of a motor. Ah! At last! The Easterners. She slipped into her prettiest house dress, ran a comb through her brown curls and was on the porch when a huge blue sedan drew up and stopped. Robert was on the front seat with a substantial man in a perfect motoring cap, his "backer," it was to be hoped. Robert alighted, followed by his guest who smilingly and in most friendly fashion shook Portia's extended hand. She turned eagerly interested, welcoming eyes upon the sedan, the door of which Robert was holding open. Mrs. Paul Eldridge was slow in descending. Portia advanced with both hands outstretched. But the smile died on her lips, her hand fell and stiffened at her side.

Elsie!" she groaned and would have subsided in a heap on the porch floor but that the silk-clad arms of Mrs. Paul Eldridge went about her. A hand patted her shaking shoulders. A kind voice murmured:

"It was such fun, dear child. Such fun! But can you ever, ever forgive me? If you only know how I have enjoyed it all, how I needed just the sort of vacation it was! My father and mother were Kansas pioneers and I have been homesick for the old life—for months. I am so grateful to you!"

"Oh, but I was so perfectly horrible!" moaned Portia.

And then everybody laughed. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Eldridge, Robert—and Portia Taunton, the last somewhat hysterically. And then came the guttural voice of "Elsie."

"I like blace for mein man, too, von, two, t'ree veek. He goodt vorker."

Death From Holding Breath Not Possible

In the brain there is a definite spot that is highly sensitive to the amount of carbon dioxide in the blood. A certain amount of this gas is always contained in the blood and often it travels a long path, from the great toe, for instance, before it reaches the blood vessels of the lungs to be expelled by the breath.

If this percentage of carbon dioxide exceeds a certain limit as, for example, when one holds his breath and therefore has not expelled the gas for some time, so that it accumulates in the blood, there is exerted upon this spot in the brain an incredibly strong stimulus which is immediately carried along the nerves to the muscles that control the breath, rapidly setting them in operation.

We immediately draw specially deep breaths in order to restore the carbon dioxide content of the blood to the proportion permitted by this spot, in the brain, which is called the respiration center.

Since this small but important area of the brain is infinitely sensitive to minute variations of the carbon dioxide content of the blood, we cannot voluntarily hold the breath long enough to cause death.—Illustrierte Zeitung, Leipzig.

Out of His Jurisdiction

Nick and his baby brother were both products of St. Vincent's hospital, while little Dorothy Ann, next door, was born at the Methodist hospital. One day a little friend was admiring the baby and wishing she had one. Nick, feeling he had pretty much of a pull at the hospital, said he could get one for her, as all he had to do was ask sister and she would give him one.

As an afterthought, he said: "What do you want, a boy or a girl?" She replied, "A girl." He said, "I sorry, you haf to go to the Me-fodis."—Indianapolis News.

No Comparison at All

Mrs. Filmfan—That actor makes more money than the president of a railroad.

Her husband—Sure! But then you must remember this bird can do stunts on a moving train that'd make the president of any road dizzy.

Protect Homing Pigeons

Wisconsin homing pigeon clubs are appealing to hunters to exercise as much care as possible not to wound or kill valuable homing pigeons. In recent homing races a number of birds were killed.

MENDOZA HEADS GANG OF MEXICAN BANDITS

Displaces "El Catorce" in Front Page Honors.

Mexico City.—Benjamin Mendoza, a bandit who sometimes operates almost on the borders of the capital, is seizing the front page honors formerly held by the famous "El Catorce." The bandits or rebels who recently fought with federals on the Cuernavaca-Mexico City highway almost within sight of an automobile containing United States Ambassador Dwight W. Morrow and Mrs. Morrow were said to have been members of the Mendoza group.

Mendoza with Maximiliano Viguera is regarded as responsible for most of the recent holdups of motorists on the highways around the capital. In at least one of his attacks Mendoza exhibited a savagery which is generally rare among the bandit gentry in Mexico.

Assault Victims.

This was the holdup and assault of a dozen or more automobile loads of Sunday week-enders on a visit to the famous cave near Cuernavaca. Besides being deprived of their money and valuables, several women of the tourists' party were assaulted brutally by Mendoza's men. The bandits, using the tourists' car, also fired on a nearby village.

Facts of the holdup, including the details of the assault on the women, were slow in reaching the capital.

Mendoza's attacks on villages and towns in the region around Cuernavaca where he generally operates have on one or two occasions been extraordinarily relentless. At one point where he wiped out a small federal garrison, his men came away with fifty federal uniforms, according to a foreigner who was in the district at the time.

Turn Loose Locomotives.

With himself and a picked band wearing the uniforms, Mendoza and fifty men entered another town in the guise of federals and asked for local volunteers to help hunt Mendoza. Twenty-seven citizens responded. They were barely outside the town, according to the story brought to the capital, when the bandits turned on the volunteers and killed them without warning.

Twice the Mendoza band, or a group believed to have been under his direction, set loose wild locomotives on the Cuernavaca-Mexico City railway in an attempt to wreck passenger trains. Each time, fortunately, the locomotive wrecked itself.

Within the last few weeks a federal escort of twenty-five men on a Cuernavaca train was completely wiped out by bandits, and the train burned. There were almost no passengers aboard and the dead were confined to the soldiery.

Plane Successfully Used in Seeding Grass

Portland, Ore.—Success of grass seeding experiments carried on by airplane over a 1,000-acre area in Coos county, Oregon, may result in the seeding of large pasture areas along the Pacific coast from the air in 1929.

An excellent stand of grass, evenly distributed over the area, was obtained at approximately one-third of the expense incurred by hand seeding. Harold R. Adams and N. W. Perkins, commercial flyers at Lyrtle Point, set a record for speed in seeding grass lands when they covered the 1,000 acres in slightly more than ten hours.

The idea, which was conceived by Dr. Earl G. Lowe, a physician at Coquille, Ore., and one of the stockholders in the Coquille Valley Sheep and Wool company, may be extended to other pasture lands next year.

Using a specially constructed hopper to hold the seed in front of the cockpit, the valve opening of which was controlled by the pilot in the rear cockpit, the pilot was able to seed strips 90 feet wide flying 70 miles an hour from an altitude of 500 feet.

Communist Girls Adopt Signet Wedding Ring

Moscow.—Communist girls, longing for something more than a two-minute marriage registration ceremony to become the lawful wives of the men they love, have invented a "red" signet wedding ring for husband and wife to wear. It is to be a symbol of marriage. The ring is a plain band of gray iron. The seal is the Soviet emblem of a crossed hammer and sickle with the addition of an engraved portrait of Lenin in the center.

Violent opposition to the ring, and wedding rings of all kinds, has arisen. The subject is being debated in Communist (young communist) meetings. Opponents declare that wedding rings are petty bourgeois ornaments, a symbol of slavery and barbarism.

St. Louis Standard in Use of American Tongue

New York.—The American language seems to be spoken in St. Louis more than in any other city.

Such was the conclusion of an audience at Columbia after listening to 20 records of as many varieties of speech in the country, from the Vermont twang to the Southern drawl.

Prof. William Cabell Greet of Barnard suggested that St. Louis was the standard and the audience, 100 graduates of Columbia, agreed.

HER LONG POINT

Employer (interviewing would-be lady clerk)—Where were you last employed?

Girl—In a doll factory.

Employer—Doll factory? What did you do there?

Girl—I was making eyes.

Employer—Very well, you're hired, but don't demonstrate your capabilities when my wife is about.

DEEP DESIGNING

"What have you against me?"

"Nothing," said Mr. Cumrox. "I think I should like you for a son-in-law."

"Then why did you forbid your daughter to see me?"

"I wanted to introduce an element of romance that would induce her to defy my wishes and concentrate on a young fellow for whom I really have a high regard."—Washington Star

CASTS 'EM IN THE SHADE



She—"Your brother casts all other business men in the shade? Remarkable, I think." He—"Well, at least all those who use his goods—he's a window blind manufacturer."

Eternal Dissatisfaction

Let's talk about the weather, As seasons drift along; And lift the shout together, "Whatever is, is Wrong!"

Our Fellow Creatures

Her Husband—What do you want with a horse? We have two cars and you don't ride horseback.

Mrs. Goodsols—I know that. But horses are becoming so scarce each member of our Good Deeds club has pledged herself to keep at least one horse to feed the starving horseless.

Cheat

"So your husband has been deceiving you, eh?"

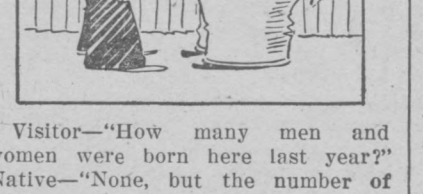
"Yes, the wretch! I used to give him five cents for his carfare every day, and I found out that he's been walking to work and spending the money."

Experienced Help Wanted

The New Houseman—Thank you for the job, ma'am. But you advertised for a married man. What do you wish my wife to do?

Mrs. Battlecry—Nothing at all. I advertised for a married man so I could get one who was used to taking orders from a woman.

NO MEN OR WOMEN BORN



Visitor—"How many men and women were born here last year?"

Native—"None, but the number of babies was quite large."

Unappreciated Menu

For proper bait I was inclined; The price I paid was plenty, sure. I hung around for hours to find A fish that was an Epicure.

Might Be the Story

Disgruntled Author—I'm convinced that editors have a conspiracy against me.

Friend—What makes you think so?

Author—Ten of them have refused the same story.

His Round!

"You're the fifteenth man who has told me that I was the first girl he ever kissed."

"That's all right. You're the sixteenth girl I've said that to."

At the First Onset

Daughter—Did you have many love affairs, daddy?

Soldier Father—No, child, I fell in the first engagement.—Everybody's Magazine.

Cruel Remark

Mac—Who's the young woman singing in the parlor?

George—That's my niece killing time.

Mac—She should have no trouble doing it with that voice.

In the Suburbs

"That's my place you see over there—the house and the garage close by."

"Which is the garage, old man?"

"Eyes Front"

"I got all turned around coming out home this afternoon."

"No wonder. You shouldn't gaze at the girls so much."



Oysters Go Inland

Do you realize that nearly three million dollars worth of canned oysters are being consumed in the United States this year? According to reports made by forty-five of the fifty-four canneries which were being operated during the 1927-1928 season, the production of canned oysters in the United States was 499,160 standard cases, valued at \$2,733,115.

Oyster and Bacon Roast

If you prefer your oysters cooked in a different way, try them with bacon, like this; drain a five ounce can of oysters and arrange them in shallow, buttered earthen scallop dishes. Sprinkle with salt, pepper and paprika. Lay thinly sliced bacon on top, sprinkle with Parmesan cheese and set in hot oven till bacon is crisp. This makes four servings.

Oyster Stew Now Ubiquitous

The ever popular oyster stew is no longer confined to the coastwise States and the big cities quickly reached by refrigerator cars. Here is the way to make a delicious stew with oysters from the can:

Scald three cups of milk in double boiler. Heat oysters from five ounce can to just below boiling, and add to scalded milk. Bind with one tablespoon flour and one tablespoon butter, rubbed together, season with one teaspoon salt and paprika to taste, and last add one-fourth cup cream. Serve at once with oyster crackers. This recipe will serve four.

Legend Shows Indians' High Sense of Humor

A stoic he may have been but in many of the hardships that made him stoical the American Indian displayed a humorous appreciation of the desperate situation that ranked him with the best of all philosophers—those who can and do laugh at life. Witness his legend of the naming of Tusquitte Bald, a mountain in western North Carolina.

Long, long ago a great drought seared the very heart of summer in the Appalachian country, many mountain streams drying up so that large numbers of fish and animals perished. One day a hunter, throat parched, but canny in seeking a deep-water hole where there might be sustenance his arrows could obtain, heard strange voices nearby. Stepping in that direction, he discovered it was two water dogs. They were walking about on their hind legs on the dry bottom of their pond and discussing the drought.

One of them said to the other, "Where is the water? I am so thirsty that my apron (meaning his gills, presumably) hangs down almost to the ground and I fear I shall tread upon it."

Then both water dogs laughed. Tusquitte means, therefore, "Where the water dogs laughed."—Detroit News.

Firefly's Tail Light Diffuses Little Heat

The fireflies, or "lightning bugs," which dance in the twilight, carry torches that burn on the same principle as a lighted candle. That is to say, they combine a combustible substance with oxygen and produce light. The great advantage enjoyed by the firefly is that his tail light makes so little heat; it can fairly be called "cold light."

The substance consumed to produce the firefly's light is luciferin. The shining of fireflies, and of other animals and plants, used to be called phosphorescence, because it looks like the light given off by a piece of rubbed phosphorus in the dark.

But it is not caused by phosphorus. Luciferin really means "light-bearer." By itself it does not glow, but a second substance known as luciferase, present in all luminous organisms, causes it to combine with oxygen, and this makes the luminescence.

Watermelon Long Known

According to Master Graves, the watermelon abounded in Massachusetts in 1629, only nine years after the landing of the Pilgrims. The Indians lost little time adding it to their list of cultivated plants. In 1664 the Florida tribes were cultivating it in their fields of maize, and nine years later Father Marquette found among the western tribes melons "which are excellent, especially those with a red seed." The tribes on the Colorado river were cultivating watermelons before the death of George Washington. It is easy to see how the watermelon spread so quickly to all parts of the American continent, because the seeds can easily be carried from place to place and planted, and because the Indians showed a fondness for the fruit from the beginning.

The Installment Age

All the morning the teacher had been trying to teach her very small pupils the mysteries of simple addition.

One small boy seemed far behind the others at grasping even the simplest of ideas, and with him the harassed teacher spent quite a lot of time.

"Look here, Leonard!" she began for the fifth time. "Let's suppose your father saves \$5 every week for four

weeks. What will he have at the end of that time?"

Leonard had his answer ready. "A graphophone, a new suit, a wireless set and new furniture for the house," he replied proudly.

Wife "Raises" Husband

Wives are able to supervise the raising of their own husbands in China, according to Capper's Weekly. It is not uncommon, says the paper, for a Chinese boy of twelve to be married to a woman of twenty or twenty-five. Usually she is selected by the bridegroom's mother, who then uses her daughter-in-law for a household assistant. If her husband's mother dies, the wife then assists her father-in-law in bringing up the boy in a way that will turn him into a model husband.

Growth of Trees

The tree you set up at Christmas time and decorate with all sorts of ornaments, takes from six to ten years to grow, according to the American Tree association. Norway red-and-white spruce and balsam fir are best for this purpose. The best trees for posts, the locust and oak, are grown in from twelve to twenty years. Twenty-five to thirty years are required to produce telegraph and telephone poles.—Popular Science Monthly.

At Home

At the supper table a discussion was brought up about a neighbor who had been in a wreck. It had not been the neighbor's fault, but he found out that he would have to pay for having his car fixed.

The elder son exclaimed, "I'll bet Mrs. G— is up in the air about it!"

"Oh, no," spoke up five-year-old Charlotte, "she's at home!"

Historians Unable to Place Queen of Sheba

The nationality of the queen of Sheba, mentioned in the Bible in connection with a visit to King Solomon, is unknown for certain. It is supposed, however, that "Sheba" is merely a variation of the word "Saba," which was the name of a country on the Red sea in southwestern Arabia. This region is now known as Yemen. The Sabaeans were dark-complexioned white people and belonged to the same general family of mankind as the Hebrews. They had extensive colonies in Africa, where they mingled with the Ethiopians, with whom they are sometimes confused. The Abyssinians have a tradition that the queen of Sheba who visited Solomon was a monarch of their country and their royal family claims descent from Menek, an alleged son of the queen of Sheba by King Solomon. The queen who made herself famous by her spectacular visit to King Solomon was very likely the same person known in history as Queen Balkis of the Sabaeans.—Pathfinder Magazine.

Wild

Dave and a group of other country lads were spending the afternoon trying to yoke up a couple of calves. Try as they would, they could catch only one calf, so Dave volunteered to be yoked up with it. The frightened animal immediately bolted, as soon as the straps were tightened, taking the yoked and helpless Dave along with it. Away they went, careening into trees and banging against fences, bumping and thumping. As soon as the other boys could recover a little from their gales of laughter, they set out to capture the assorted pair, and were advancing toward them, when the human half, in a warning tone, begged "Come up easy, boys! We're wild as heck!"

Sunday School Lesson

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Lesson for December 30

REVIEW—PAUL, THE WORLD CHRISTIAN

GOLDEN TEXT—For me to live is Christ.
PRIMARY TOPIC—Stories of Paul.
JUNIOR TOPIC—What Paul's Life Teaches Us.
INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—The Secret of Paul's Greatness.
YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—The Life and Achievements of Paul.

Two methods of review are suggested.

1. The application of the principles to modern everyday life. This can only be applied to adult classes. Assign a week ahead the task of finding in each lesson a vital application to the current interests of life. The following are offered as examples:

- Lesson 1. The bearing of Christian doctrine upon magical arts.
- Lesson 2. How to love everybody.
- Lesson 3. The standard of Christian living.
- Lesson 4. The measure of pastoral responsibility.
- Lesson 5. How to overcome the drink habit.
- Lesson 6. Brotherhood in Christ the way to abolish war.
- Lesson 7. The civil rights of a Christian.
- Lesson 8. Prayer, the index of the genuineness of the Christian's life.

2. Make a summary of the facts of each lesson and study the leading teaching thereof.

Lesson for October 7. Paul boldly preached the gospel at Ephesus in the synagogue and in the school of Tyrannus. God accompanied his preaching with miraculous deeds.

Lesson for October 14. The inflexible test which determines the reality of spiritual gifts is one's conception of and attitude toward Jesus Christ. The best of the Spirit's gifts is love, within the reach of all.

Lesson for October 21. The source of Christian generosity is the grace of God. God's gifts are reckoned by the degree of willingness.

Lesson for October 28. Paul, knowing that false teachers would arise in the church at Ephesus, called the elders of the church together that he might instruct them how to meet the difficulty. The ground of the charge he gave them was that the church had been purchased with the blood of Jesus Christ.

Lesson for November 4. The believer in Christ is a citizen as well as a Christian, loyal to the state as well as to the church.

Lesson for November 11. The believer is in the world but not of the world. He sustains a relationship to God which is absolute devotion to Him, a relationship to his fellow-believer which is genuine love, and a relation to the unbeliever which is to do good for evil, live honestly before them and be at peace with them.

Lesson for November 18. In order to remove prejudice from the mind of the Jews, when Paul went to Jerusalem he took a Jewish vow.

Lesson for November 25. Paul's prayer life explains the power and efficiency of his ministry.

Lesson for December 2. Though Paul was brought before powerful rulers, he not only defended himself against the charges, but used the opportunity to witness to them of Jesus Christ, making a personal appeal.

Lesson for December 9. Paul's longing to see the Romans was now about to be realized. After a stormy voyage he was met by the brethren from Rome some forty miles out of the city. Though in the capital city and treated with leniency, he remained under the guard of a soldier. This gave him an opportunity to preach the gospel to the soldiers.

Lesson for December 16. Paul had many real friends. This reveals his humanness, for he who would have friends must show himself friendly. He not only prayed for his friends, but furnished them with letters of introduction when on business errands. He also wrote letters to his friends. One of the most tender and beautiful letters ever written was that of Paul to Philemon a model of tactfulness and the first antislavery petition ever penned.

Lesson for December 23. As Paul came to the end of his life he presented the true view which a Christian should have concerning death. He presents it under two metaphors; one an offering, and the other a departure. He not only had the right view of death, but he could look backward upon his life with the consciousness of having finished his course, and forward with confidence of an eternal fellowship with God.

The Believer
The believer is the Bible of the street. If he can reveal that he has found a secret, his life is more eloquent than any preaching. For it reaches men, not from a distant pulpit, but from the levels of their every day, where life is so often difficult and cheerless. A Christian is not a man who is resigned; he is meant to be a man who moves rejoicing. God meant him to be the spiritual alchemist, transmitting the baser metals into gold. G. D. Morrison.

HOW

SIXTH SENSE IN MANKIND BESTOWED ODD POWER.—Despite the progress of the study of the human body is full of mysteries. Some of its well-known organs have never revealed either their uses or the reason of their creation. The part played by the spleen in human life was discovered but recently. It is now regarded as one of the chief agents in the circulation of the blood. But there are in the marvelous human organism mysterious parts which it is possible that no savant, however profound his learning, may ever understand. For instance, in the skull, behind the cartilage of the nose, there is a little cavity of an unknown origin. Physiologists believe that at one time, several thousand generations ago, it contained a gland consisting of two lobes joined by their common base.

This cavity, the delta turcica, is, in the opinion of certain authorities, the vestige of a sixth sense which was of great use to the antediluvian ancestors of man. It is believed that this little gland enabled them to see in the darkness when they had not yet learned the secret of procuring light; that it was the seat of the mysterious sense of direction or locality, the power to orient their course, the sense so highly developed in this day in savages and certain animals. The theory is plausible, but it is doubtful whether man will ever acquire any real knowledge of the reason for the existence of the delta turcica.

How Artificial Nests Aid in Bass Culture

It has been ascertained that black bass culture is greatly aided by artificial construction of nests. The male small-mouthed bass builds its nest by sweeping the stones of a lake bottom, bare of sand in a three-foot circle. Alternately using his nose and his tail the fish makes a saucer-shaped nest ready for the eggs of his mate; but he will readily use a nest that has been prepared for him. Accordingly, the fish experts expedite his home-building.

For the big-mouthed bass nests are made of moss embedded in concrete, as this species prefers a fibrous bed for its eggs. Ponds with basins six feet deep in the center and with shallower water elsewhere are so prepared. Wild fish caught by the hook are put in to mate here, to the great increase of reproduction. Proper assortment of the fish and the prevention of crowding accomplish excellent results.

How Trees Affect Future.

If this nation is to continue to maintain commercial prosperity, the forestry situation becomes a world problem. What does it mean to this prosperity when such great manufacturing centers as Pennsylvania, New York, Michigan, and Ohio have to import lumber in billions of feet every year to keep their factories going? New York, imports about 3,000,000,000 feet annually, the American Tree association says. Many other states import great quantities. What will it mean to state and national prosperity when industries have to slow down and cut pay rolls because of the mounting cost of forest products? We think of California as one of the states with thousands of acres of uncut forests, yet the state uses more than it produces. This all means something to every person of school age today—the citizen and taxpayer of tomorrow.

How Glass Can Be Cut.

A method of cutting glass clean and straight without the aid of a glass cutter is given as follows: Dip a piece of common string in alcohol and squeeze reasonably dry, then tie it around the glass on the line of cutting. Touch a match to it and let it burn off. While the glass is hot plunge it under water, letting the arm go well under to the elbow, so there will be no vibration when the glass is struck. With the free hand strike the glass outside the line of cutting giving a quick sharp stroke with a stick or knife. Of course this will leave a sharp edge around the cutting.

How X-rays Save Trees.

Hidden defects and diseases in tree trunks are revealed by means of an X-ray outfit which shows conditions that cannot be detected by ordinary examination.

The outfit is one of the first to be developed and has since been improved into a more compact form. The apparatus is also useful in inspecting poles that carry power or other wires, to determine if any of them are dangerously decayed in side.—Popular Mechanics Magazine.

How the Trees Grow.

Christmas trees can be grown in from six to ten years, says the American Tree association. The best trees for this purpose are Norway, red and white spruce and balsam fir. For posts, the best trees are the locust and oak. They can be grown in from 12 to 20 years. For poles it generally requires 25 to 30 years or more. Good larch, spruce and cedar poles can be grown to a small size in the time.

More Speculation as to "First Americans"

Did the natives of the New world communicate with the inhabitants of the Old world before the discovery of America by the Norsemen about the year 1000? This is always an interesting question for speculation, says Pathfinder Magazine. Carlos Mercedo, a Latin American investigator, reports that near Esmeraldas, in Ecuador, he excavated pieces of pottery containing inscriptions resembling Egyptian hieroglyphics, Arabian numbers and drawings indicating Greek, Phoenician and Mongolian characteristics. These articles were found in the ruins of an ancient Indian civilization.

Mercedo states that he spent seven years excavating with a view of unearthing valuable metals. More than 10,200 archeological pieces were discovered. One piece is described as resembling a reproduction of the tower of Babel, and a stone figure suggests Samson embracing the fragments of two stone columns. The pieces also contain what seem to be Aztec or Mayan inscriptions.

Pumice Stone Used as Substitute for Razor

If your razor is used by the wife to sharpen a pencil or by a young hopeful for a screw-driver, use pumice stone to shave yourself with.

Samuel Pepys used pumice stone. Writing on Sunday, May 25, 1662, the diarist says: "To trimming myself, which I this week have done every morning, with a pumice stone, which I learnt of Mr. Marsh, when I was last at Portsmouth; and I shall continue the practice of it." Six days later he tells us: "I cut off all my beard, which I have been a great while bringing up only that I may with my pumice stone do my whole face, as I now do my chin, and to save time, which I find a very easy way and gentle." The Arabs of Palestine often use pumice stone to "clean up" after shaving with pieces of broken glass bottles.

Sing Sing

Sing Sing is a famous New York state prison located at Ossining, a town on the Hudson river about 30 miles north of New York city, says the Kansas City Times. The town itself was originally also called Sing Sing, supposedly from the Sing Sing or Sint-sink tribe of Indians, who once lived in that vicinity. In 1901 the name of the town was officially changed to Ossining, the old name having become objectionable to the inhabitants because of its popular association with the penitentiary. "Ossining" is merely a different form of "Sing Sing," both words being corruptions of the Delaware Indian word "assinesink," literally meaning "at the small stone." There is nothing to the popular story that Sing Sing was named after a friendly Indian whom the whites called John Sing Sing.

Coral Reefs Inland

Mention of coral reefs brings to one's mind a picture of palm-dotted islets girt with white sands in a tropical sea, but geologists find coral reefs in the midst of great continents. These, of course, belong to a past age of the earth's history, but on that account they are the more interesting. Within late years several remarkable reefs of fossil coral have been explored near Bainbridge, on the Flint river, in Georgia. In one case a very large portion of the reef exposed consisted of coral heads, some of which were more than a foot in diameter. Between 25 and 30 species of coral have been recognized in these reefs. They are ascribed to the Tertiary age.

His First Chance

The foreman of the roadmenders had been taken ill suddenly, and his right-hand man, Patrick O'Casey, was duly promoted to the post temporarily.

On the foreman's subsequent return he was surprised to find Patrick the only man working, and inquired as to the absence of the others.

"Where's all the boys, Pat?"
"O' sacker! I'vey man o' them," replied the Irishman, with a grin. "It's not often O' have a chance of showing the authority; but, bedad, O' made the most of my opportunity yesterday, to be sure."—London Answers.

Forty Years After

Two boyhood playmates met in a Brooklyn court. One was the judge, the other the prisoner, a ragged, nerve-wracked picture of failure. "Tom, do you remember me?" the judge asked. "Yes," answered Tom, his hands shaking and his voice quavering. He was being arraigned for the eighteenth time for intoxication. He had been in the workhouse five times. He was fifty-five. "You and I were playmates," the judge recalled. "You were going to be a great lawyer and I was going to be a truck driver."

The Poppy

According to mythology, the poppy was created by Ceres in order that she might forget grief in the sleep it produced. The Romans regarded the flower as a symbol of death and dedicated it to Somnus, god of sleep. Superstition looks upon the poppies that bloom on battlefields as the blood of the slain soldiers. A strange fact about the flower is that it does not agree with other blooms, and if placed in a bouquet with them will either wilt itself or cause them to wilt, or both.

RINGING THE BELLS

Bill Bradford, prize dancer among the Hollywood camera fraternity, took a girl to a dance in Pasadena and owing to the fact that his car was laid up, was forced to use a taxi. A pleasant evening was had by all and Bill was in a happy frame of mind until the taxi driver presented his bill.

"See whizz!" exclaimed young Bradford, "they ought to call us fellows the fare sex!"—Los Angeles Times.

Promising Career

"I remember you," said the good old friend, "when you were considered a very promising young man."

"Yes," answered Senator Sorghum, "and I think I have made good. My hopeful constituents will bear me out when I say I have been promising one thing or another ever since."—Washington Star.

HIS WAY WAS ROUGH



He—Are you going my way?
She—No, not from the little remarks I hear about the way you're going.

Time's Change

Beside the filling station now
The village smith he stands,
And many dollars fall into
His large and sinewy hands.

Selfish Man

Mr. Knagg—I dreamed I bought a new seven-passenger car and we were starting off on a trip, but before you were ready I woke up.

His Wife—If that isn't just like your selfishness! And you had plenty of time to dream till I'd got into my clothes and made at least a start with you.

His Bright Future

"Has my boy," wrote the proud parent, "a natural bent in any one direction?"

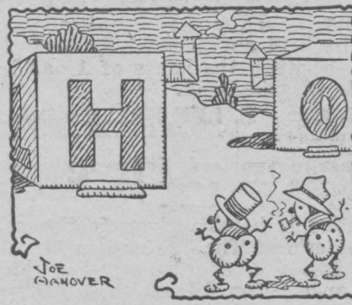
"He has," replied the schoolmaster. "He gives every indication of being an industrial magnate some day. He gets the other boys to do all his work for him."

Said in Its Favor

Her Husband—Is that the evening gown that cost me \$600?

Mrs. Upstyle—This is it. Isn't it a dream?
Her Husband—Well, I'll say this much for it; at that rate I sure couldn't afford to cover you decently.

WONDERS OF THE WEST



Eastern Bug—What funny looking houses.

Western Bug—Didn't you ever hear of block-houses?

Idle Fishermen

A loading day fulfilled their wish. Through streams they did not care to roam.
What was the use of catching fish? They'd left the camera at home.

Beats All Others

Cole—They say that Jabber's son could talk when he was three weeks old.

Dole—That isn't in it with Job. The Bible states he cursed the day he was born.

In a Quandary

Friend—Say, why don't you have your horse shod?
Farmer—Well, when I'm using him I can't do it, and when I'm not, he doesn't need it.

A Practical Girl

Cora—Why do you send out your wedding invitations so far in advance?
Dora—Most of our friends keep their money in savings banks and have to give notice.

No Use Advertising

Briggs—I've lost my new car.
Griggs—Why don't you report it to the sheriff?
Briggs—He's the one that took it.

It Could Be Worse

Customer—It's tough to have to pay 50 cents for that steak.
Cashier—Yes, but it would be tougher if you only paid 25 cents.

An Accident All Round

The Mistress—Oh, Jane, however did you go and break the vase?
Jane—Very sorry, mum. I was accidentally doing it.

Community Building

Possibilities in Home

Remodeling Are Many

The possibilities of remodeling the home are seldom realized by the average layman. With a few alterations, old-style or uninteresting houses can be transformed at a moderate cost into delightfully attractive and comfortable homes. In many cases the changes can be definitely worked out and the cost approximated at the lumber yard.

The entire lines and style of architecture of a house may be changed by simply building on a porch or wings, or by changing the roof line. Some of the old square-hipped roof houses can be vastly improved and brought up-to-date by the addition of rooms, the changing of the entrance and the construction of an outside chimney.

Many an old colonial cottage can be given charm and beauty by just a little planning on the part of the owner. Dormer windows may be introduced to break the roof surface, the door may be framed in a trellis, and a wing built on. The possibilities of changing the exterior are unlimited.

Often the owner attaches considerable sentiment to the building in which he has been reared, or in which he has reared his children. He hesitates to have it razed to make way for a new structure.

The features of remodeling stand him in good stead here. He can retain his old home with its memories, and still, without a great deal of inconvenience and expense, have an attractive and modern residence.

Small Towns Develop

New Type of Business

New types of business and greater prosperity for the larger town merchant are rapidly developing in Illinois through the vast network of hard roads, Prof. P. D. Converse of the University of Illinois has discovered in a survey of Illinois villages.

Concentrating their task on towns under 1,700 population, Professor Converse and several assistants attempted to discover what change was taking place in the small town today.

"New types of business have sprung up in practically every village and town throughout the state, wherever the hard roads have touched them," he said. "These businesses are largely of the service station type, dealing in personal services to the customer. Included in the group are filling stations, tire shops, garages, and similar businesses.

"In the older forms of business, one of the reasons that there is an appreciable loss of trade is that there is too much duplication of stocks and none of them complete. If a purchaser is looking for some specific article of a certain type, the chances are that he may have to go to a number of different stores before he can find that article."

American Elm Popular

Trees may be planted at one or both sides and slightly to the front of the house for framing it space, general arrangement, and type of house will permit. Here single specimens or groups may be used. The distances from the house need not be regular for each tree, in fact it is preferable to locate them rather informally.

A number of trees are desirable for these particular plantings. For house backgrounds the American elm is probably the most popular. This towering tree with its graceful drooping branches seems to enforce an air of protection to the structure which it shelters. The oak with its massive limbs and large crown is also desirable for this purpose. The tulip tree, sugar maple, and Norway maple should also receive first consideration for this purpose.

Calls for Explanation

A whole neighborhood suffers when some one family keeps a front yard that looks like a hog pen. One might think, since a home is the most expensive purchase a family makes, that keeping it "shipshape" would appeal to every one as only common sense. Men who will spend hours, however, polishing their motor cars will put not a lick of work on trimming up their house and grounds, which cost them eight to ten times as much. Why? We don't know. You solve it.—Washington Star.

Garden Styles Vary

The architectural style of the house determines the ornamental planting of the grounds. That is, an English type of house requires one style of planting, the Italian villa another, and the bungalow still another. Characteristic ornamental planting, contrary to general opinion, is not expensive.

Look to Materials

The "strength" of the house is not all on the surface. For this reason a home owner cannot be too sure of the reliability of every one who contributes materials or service to the building of his home. That is why it pays in dollars and cents to be perfectly sure regarding the first-rate quality of all work and all material.

WHY

Silver Quarter Is Called "Two Bits."

"Bit" has been applied in England to coins for centuries. It was one time thieves' slang for money in general. Thomas Dekker so used the term in "A Knight's Conjuror: Jest to Make You Merie," which was first printed in 1607. Later "bit" came to be applied to any small silver coin. Even yet the British use it in such phrases as "sixpenny bit," meaning a quarter of a dollar, originated in the West Indies, especially Jamaica, where "bit" was originally applied to small silver coins forming fractions of the Spanish dollar. It was applied specifically to the real, which was equal to one-eighth of the dollar then in use. Examples of the term in that sense date back to the Seventeenth century. When the Spanish dollar disappeared from circulation in the United States, a quarter was called two bits, and a half dollar four bits. Twelve cents and a half is never called a bit, although in some sections of the country fifteen cents is called a long bit, and ten-cents is a short bit.—Pathfinder Magazine.

Why Sleeping in Open Promotes Good Health

Contrary to old-fashioned ideas sleeping in the open is not harmful and night air is now held to be invigorating. When the sun sets and night falls night air is the only kind obtainable and it is considered far better have plenty of night air than to breathe foul or stale air. Night air acts as a tonic, says Dr. Harvey Wiley, authority on health. One of the sins of civilization, he claims, is the invention of the house. If there were no houses there would be no tuberculosis, he asserts. Tuberculosis, however, is not the only disease the house is responsible for. Cutting off the proper supply of fresh air reduces the vitality of the body to such an extent that not only tuberculosis germs, but germs of other infectious diseases may more rapidly take hold. This problem can be best handled, he says, by making use of sleeping porches. Every house, whether in the crowded city or in the country, has one or more porches. These porches can easily and should be fitted out as sleeping porches.

Why Variation in Wind.

The weather bureau says that owing to the friction at the surface of the earth, the air near the ground always has less velocity than the air a few hundred feet above it. In the daytime this faster air is mixed up with the surface air by convection induced by surface heating. In this way the surface air is given a greater velocity than it would have if not mixed with the upper and faster wind. At night, when there is no surface heating and no convection, the upper wind, except when quite strong, glides over the lower air, which is held relatively quiet by surface friction. When the upper winds are very strong they mix with the lower air by mechanical turbulence and the surface wind remains as strong by night as by day.

Why Anomaly of Frost.

Frost forms only when the temperature of the object on which it occurs, and the immediately adjacent air, is at or below the freezing point, 32 degrees Fahrenheit. The temperature of the grass, for instance, especially in low spots and on still, clear nights, may be 32 degrees Fahrenheit, or lower, while that of the air a little distance away, and 20 to 30 feet higher, may be 40 degrees Fahrenheit, or over. This explains the anomaly of frost at 40 degrees Fahrenheit. It was 40 degrees Fahrenheit, say, where the thermometer was, but not where the frost was.

Why We Say "Piping Hot."

"Piping hot" is a relic of the ancient custom of a baker blowing his pipe in the village street as a signal to his customers that his bread was at that moment hot from the oven. The baker was evidently an unpopular member of the community in those far-off days, for in the minds of those of a superstitious nature he was synonymous with the devil! So we get the term "baker's dozen." The devil's dozen—13—was the number of witches supposed to gather in evil conclave at set periods, and the spiteful minds of the ill-willed readily substituted "baker" for "devil."

Why Mirage Forms.

A mirage is due to conditions existing in the atmosphere. As a result of deviation of the rays of light caused by refraction and reflection, objects seen with the eye appear in unusual positions and often multiple or are inverted. One cause of a mirage in the desert is the diminution of the density of the air near the surface of the earth, often produced by the radiation of heat, the denser stratum being thus placed above instead of, as is usually the case, below the rarer.

Why Bubble Is Round.

A soap bubble is round because it has a surface tension which causes equal pressure in all directions. The soap bubble is covered with a film, and the tendency of liquids covered by such a film is to assume a spherical shape.

Why Known as "Pirate."

The Latin word "pirata" means to "attack or assault," and the Italian "pirata" means to "rob by sea." The English word is derived from these.

TANEYTOWN LOCALS

Items of news from town, or vicinity are always wanted for this column. Especially accidents, sales of real estate, fires, important happenings, visits to or from the community social events, and all matters of general interest to those at home, and away from home.

A good resolution for 1929. No "bootleg," either for personal use, or for sale.

The problem that interests Taneytown and the Key Highway project, is how to approach the road-building question in 1929?

The Emmitsburg Community Association will hold its annual corn show on January 17, at the Emmitsburg High School building.

And now, "next Christmas" is one of the farthest away of the events to come; and yet, you can place your orders for 1930 Calendars right now.

Some of our friends evidently forget about giving The Record for a Christmas present; but starting the New Year with it is another good time.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Gilds and sons, Franklin and Kenneth, and Carroll Riffe, spent Christmas with William Gilds and family, at Marysville, Pa.

The Misses Gertrude, Alice and Anna Annan, of Washington, D. C., spent the week-end, including Christmas, at the home of Miss Amelia H. Birnie.

Mr. and Mrs. Merwyn C. Fuss entertained on Christmas day their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles O. Fuss, and Mr. and Mrs. John H. Marker, of Littlestown, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. Jere J. Garner, of Taneytown, and Mr. George Ester, of Chambersburg, Pa., spent Christmas Day with Rev. and Mrs. L. B. Hafer, Gettysburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Ohler entertained Rev. and Mrs. A. T. Sutcliffe and son, Richard, and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ohler and daughter, Carolyn, on Saturday evening.

Usually, gasoline is not used as a beverage, but the first of the week, for a few days, a lot of the fluid got into the water supply, and it was a case of drink it or go thirsty.

Don't forget the Red Cross meeting to be held at the Firemen's building, Saturday, December 29th., at 7:30 P. M. This meeting is for the election of officers, and it is important that every member attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Emory Cole, of Baltimore, visited their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Dorry R. Zepp, Sunday, returning Monday morning, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Zepp, who spent Christmas in Baltimore with the former.

Maurice C. Duttera, Miss Agatha Weant, Miss Percy Adelaide Shriver, and Misses Beulah and Ada R. Englar, visited Frederick, Wednesday night, and witnessed the competition for the best out-door illuminated home, offered by the Potomac Edison Co.

The first of January is the time for renewal of annual membership in the Public Library. Please note that the annual election and business meeting of Taneytown Public Library Association will be held Saturday evening, Jan. 7th., at the Library.—Amelia H. Annan, Sec'y.

Why should Taneytown be continually following the crowd to some other place, to a demonstration or program of some kind? Why keep playing tag to somebody else's lead, when nothing in the way of like return ever comes back to Taneytown. Why not get up things on our own account?

Rev. and Mrs. W. O. Ibach and son, Clarence, of Salona, Pa., visited Mr. and Mrs. George Harner, the first of this week, as well as former parishioners in Union Bridge. They were partly celebrating their silver wedding, as well as the 4th. anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Harner.

The Taneytown P. O. S. of A. orchestra has been engaged to furnish the music for the Japanese Cantata to be rendered in the Opera House, this Saturday night, Dec. 29. This will be the second public appearance in town of this organization, and should add to the attractions of the program. The boys play very well indeed, under the direction of Prof. Edward P. Zepp.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Valentine entertained the following guests, on Christmas Day: Mr. and Mrs. John Waybright and children, Robert, Ruth, Eugene, Catherine, Fred and Blanche; Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Valentine and son, George; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cluts and daughters, Elizabeth and Thelma; Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Frock and daughter, Dolores; Misses Margaret and Grace Waybright; Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Valentine and Miss Ada Yingling, Baltimore. Mr. and Mrs. Martin Valentine received many useful presents.

Mr. and Mrs. Mahlon Brown, spent Christmas Day with George Koontz and family, near Emmitsburg.

Joseph A. Hemler returned home from Mercy Hospital, on Saturday afternoon, and is getting along very nicely.

Burgess S. Miller received a package of fine oranges from C. Edgar Yount, Tampa, Florida, as a Christmas present.

Mrs. E. T. Shoop is still confined to bed after an operation and a four weeks' stay at the University of Maryland Hospital.

Mrs. Margaret Seiss, of Washington, D. C., is spending some time with Mr. and Mrs. Washington Shoemaker and family.

Sterling Myerly and family, and Charles Reaver and family, were guests of Mrs. John T. Dutterer, at dinner, on Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Drubeck, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Blayer and sister, all of Mercersburg, spent last Sunday afternoon, with Mrs. Mary M. Ott.

Mr. and Mrs. Doty Robb, left, on Wednesday, for Derry, Pa., the home of the former. Mrs. Robb expects to remain for about two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Shanebrook and daughters, of near Gettysburg, spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. William J. Stover and family.

Miss Irene Winder, and Messrs Lawrence and Charles Winder, of Andalusia, Pa., spent the week-end with P. H. Shriver and Percy Adelaide

Mrs. Mary Stover, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Crouse and Paul and Mary Koontz, spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Arda Thomas, at Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Quinsey Shoemaker and Theodore Feeser, of Emmitsburg, spent Christmas day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Feeser and family.

The siren fire alarm was returned, on Thursday, and hereafter we will use the bell, which is plenty good enough to tell bad news. The cost of it would have been \$400.00.

Miss Eleanor Birnie accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Clotworthy Birnie and son, back to Washington, on Tuesday evening, to spend several days, while Miss Eliza, remained with her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Overholtzer, daughter, Helen, and son, Robert, of near town, and Samuel Overholtzer, of New Midway, spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Mary Stover and family.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Dern, of Keymar, spent Christmas with his son, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence E. Dern. Miss Madelene Dern, Woodsboro, and Miss Lottie Troxell, of Westminster, visited the same place a few days, this week.

Taneytown was full of turkey and other kinds of good dinners, on Christmas day—too many for us to attempt to mention. Family affairs, mostly, and the holiday spirit, so far as dining was concerned, was high up in the scale. The town itself was quieter than a normal Sunday—everybody too busy indoors to get out and make noise.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. M. Albaugh, of New Midway, entertained at dinner, on Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. Stover, son Charles and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Albaugh, near town; Mr. and Mrs. Tilgman L. Grossnickle, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Grossnickle, daughters, Annabel and Frances, son Geo., near Detour; Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Albaugh, daughter, Isabel; Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Albaugh, Misses Bertha and Hazel Albaugh, and Walter Albaugh, New Midway; Mr. and Mrs. Guy Albaugh, daughters, Margaret and Kathleen, Buckeystown.

Among the holiday visitors to their homes in Taneytown, were: Miss Margaret Shreeve, Steelton, Pa.; Mrs. Margaret Nulton, Philadelphia; Miss Beulah Englar, Plainfield, N. J.; Charles Hesson, Baltimore; Miss Grace Witherow, Washington; Miss Elizabeth Wilt, College Park; Miss Pauline Brining, Virginia; Miss Elizabeth Kiser, Harrisburg; Miss Dorothy Kephart, Westminster; John Bricker, Gettysburg; Cash Smith, Gettysburg; Walter Fringer, New York; Rev. and Mrs. Walter Weybright and Miss Ivy Hilterbrick, Oakland.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Clingan entertained, on Christmas day, dinner: Mr. and Mrs. David Warner and children, Grace, Elizabeth, Edna, Helen, Erma and George, of Littlestown, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Clingan, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Clingan, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Clingan and son, George; Mrs. Laura Bair, Mrs. David Fogle and daughter, Mollie; Mary Clingan, Ralph Mort and Helen Smith, Albert, Claude, Norville, and Howard Wely and Roy Wantz called at the same place.

Rev. and Mrs. W. E. Saltzgeber and daughter, of Silver Run, were visitors in town, on Thursday.

The Misses Percy Adelaide Shriver and Agatha Weant, are spending a few days in Philadelphia, with Dr. and Mrs. L. J. Winder.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Reindollar and daughter, Bettie, and Miss L. Ada Reindollar, of Fairfield, spent Thursday afternoon in town.

Miss Marian Hitchcock was one of the sopranos in the Reformed Church Choir, Westminster, at the Christmas Service Sunday morning.

The Christmas programs in all of the churches were largely attended, the seating capacity of the auditoriums failing to supply the demand, and even standing room was scarce.

The Fire Company was called to Geo. R. Sauble's this Friday morning to a fire in his large brooder house caused by the use of gasoline instead of coal oil in stove. The building was saved by the use of chemicals, but was considerably charred inside. Some of the chicks were killed. The prompt action of the firemen saved a much greater loss.

Marriage Licenses.

William C. Hill and Hilda M. Wilson, Sykesville, Md.

Paul Mentzer and Anna L. Boulton, Baltimore, Md.

Harry R. Diehl and Beulah E. Shaffer, Baltimore Co., Md.

Paul Shultz and Ervie Speelman, of Gettysburg, Pa.

J. Donald Boone and Rhoda V. Halter, New Windsor, Md.

Paul Cummings and Mary Swartzbaugh, Westminster, Md.

Paul M. Lippy and Lula M. Sandruck, Manchester, Md.

Wm. G. Skinner and Rebecca E. Erb, Union Bridge, Md.

LeRoy Wolf and Mabel Zinn, Hanover, Pa.

Thomas H. Butler and Thelma V. Clark, Union Bridge, Md.

Russell C. Noble and Anna B. Borey Philadelphia, Pa.

Can You Punctuate?

A funny little man told this to me; I fell in a snowdrift in June said he I went to a ball game out in the sea I saw a jellyfish float up in a tree I found some gum in a cup of tea I stirred my milk with a big brass key I opened my door on my bended knee I beg your pardon for this said he "But 'tis true when told as it ought to be."

'Tis a puzzle in punctuation you see. A new description of the flapper includes the specifications "red hot lips and air cooled knees." We can't testify to the first, but with wintry winds blowing, and short dresses and sheer silk stockings still the vogue, there is little doubt about the latter.

Election of Directors

The Stockholders of The Detour Bank are hereby notified that the annual meeting for the election of thirteen Directors to manage the affairs of this Bank for the ensuing year, will be held on Monday, January 21, 1929, between the hours of 1 and 2 P. M., at said Bank.

Election of Directors

Notice is hereby given to the policyholder's of The Taneytown Mutual Fire Ins. Co., of Taneytown, Md., that an election for Eight (8) Directors, to serve for Two (2) years will be held at the Company's Office in Taneytown, Md., on Jan. 1, 1929, from 1:00 to 3:00 P. M.

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Election of Directors

Notice is hereby given to the Stockholders of The Taneytown Garage Co., that an election for Directors of the Company, for the ensuing year, will be held at the office of the Company, on Tuesday, January 8, 1929, between the hours of 1 and 2 o'clock, P. M.

ANNUAL COMMUNITY SHOW.

The Emmitsburg Community Association will hold its annual Community Corn Show in the High School Building, in Emmitsburg, on Thursday, Jan. 17, 1929. The public is invited to make exhibits and attend the Show. Admission Free.

Emmitsburg Community Assn.
W. H. TROXELL, Sec'y. 12-28-28

ANNUAL MEETING St. Mary's Cemetery Association of Carroll Co., Inc.

Silver Run, Md., Dec. 24, 1928. The lot holders of St. Mary's Cemetery Association of Carroll County, Incorporated, are hereby notified that the Annual Meeting for the Election of Two Directors to serve for four years, and such other business as may come before the Association will be held in the Hall, in Silver Run, Md., at 2 o'clock, P. M., on the first day of January, 1929.

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2 Packs Macaroni or Spaghetti, 15c
3 Packs Jello, any flavors 25c 2 Cans Good Sauerkraut 25c
3 Cans Early June Peas 25c Cream Corn Starch 10c

3 Packs Rinso, 17c
Sun Maid Raisins 10c pk Baker's Chocolate, 1/2-lb cake 20c
1-lb. Can Hershey's Cocoa 28c Broken Slice Pineapple 24c

3 Cakes Life Buoy Soap, 16c
3 Cakes Palm Olive Soap 20c 6 Cakes P. & G. Soap 25c
Shredded Wheat 9c 3 Pks Corn Flakes 20c

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