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## Don't Open Till Christmas

A certain chap in Chicago last Christmas almost made a reputation as a joker by using the tags marked "Don't open until Christmas." But he didn't use them on packages that cost money. Not much! What he did was to buy a lot of penny Christmas post-cards, and on each one he stuck a tag, "Don't open till Christmas."

Then he sent them to all his friends, and they were so tickled with the idea that they never thought about, how cheaply he had got off. Mind over matter, see?

And nearly as funny as the joke was the fact that a lot of women who received these cards soaked them in warm water and split them open, or tried to split them open, in the firm belief that the cards could really be opened.

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## Christmas Afternoon

THE afternoon of Christmas day may be rather a quiet one for the older folks. The gifts have been unwrapped and arranged and hovered over from time to time. The usually tidy room looks like a bazaar for the sale of fancy goods. Perhaps neighbors and other friends may come to exchange "Merry Christmases" and to say, "May I thank you here for your lovely gift?" And after the departure of the visitors certain names will be cheerfully erased from the list of prospective "thank you" letters.

Between the dark and the daylight, after the callers have gone and the children have returned from their play, comes the peaceful and happy Christmas evening. The great day is dying; Christmas is nearly over. It will be a whole year before we shall enjoy its merriment again or remember happy Christmas seasons of the past. We may lose many things—home, friends, health, money—but memory abides, and no one can take from us the happiness that has once been ours.

On Christmas night we remember the old days. We think of those who were once here to share our joys. "Christmas never can be the same again!" many people exclaim when they feel as if the joy of life has gone forever. If we all took that view Christmas itself might die. It depends upon deep spiritual insight.

Let us, if we can, forget for today our troubles and even our sorrows and try to rejoice. If we have children about us it is not hard to be merry, but if we have none of our own there are a great many who ought to be made glad and may be found with but little trouble.

A merry Christmas to you all! And I would add Tiny Tim's words, "God bless us, every one!"—Dolly Wayne in Philadelphia Public Ledger.

## Holiday Time in Belgium.

No carol singing, no Christmas cards, no Christmas trees, no Christmas toys! To us Christmas would not be Christmas without these accessories, but Belgium seems to have rubbed along well enough without them even before the war. New Year's day is the day of merrymaking. Christmas for the most part is a solemn festival. Formerly Christmas in the land of the Belgians was preceded by a season of strict abstinence, which lasted the whole of Advent, during which there was an entire disuse of flesh.

Old superstitions still survive in many parts. Young Belgian belles still take candles to the wells at midnight to see the faces of their future husbands. A light extinguished on the table at the Christmas feast is still believed by some to foreshadow the death of a guest present.

## The Wassail Bowl.

Wassail, or wassail bowl, is regarded as of such antiquity that it is said to have been known to the ancient Britons. For many centuries it has been a favorite beverage during Christmas festivities, although it was calculated to cause biliousness, if it did not have a more immediate disagreeable effect. Such a mixture ought to have been intoxicating. Here is the way they used to manufacture it in Oxford:

Put into a bowl half a pint of Lisbon sugar; pour on it one pint of warm beer; grate a nutmeg and some ginger into it; add four glasses of sherry and five additional pints of beer; stir it well; sweeten it to your taste; let it stand covered up two or three hours, then put three or four slices of bread, cut thin and toasted brown, into it, and it is fit for use.

## Christmas Eve Carol

MY Lord was born in Bethlehem  
Upon the Christmas eve,  
Ah, slack of heart and slow of heart,  
Who will not him receive!

My Lord was born in Bethlehem,  
And waiting shepherds heard  
Sweet angel heralds chanting loud  
The long awaited word.

My Lord was born in Bethlehem,  
And in a manger laid,  
None tended him, none cherished him,  
Save that sweet mother-maid.

My Lord was born in Bethlehem,  
And wise men came to see  
His lowly state and homage paid  
To his mild majesty.

My Lord was born in Bethlehem,  
But soon he had to flee,  
For cruel hate of sinful man  
Spared not his infancy.

My Lord was born in Bethlehem,  
But home had none on earth;  
A pilgrim and a stranger he,  
An exile from his birth.

My Lord was born in Bethlehem.  
He died, but rose again.  
Rich is the gift his death hath bought—  
New life for sinful men.  
—Ethelbert D. Warfield in Independent.

## The Christmas Tree's Uses

The balsam fir is almost known botanically as the "Christmas tree," for when the carefully recording scientist states that the balsam fir grows to a height of fifty or sixty feet, that its wood is used for the manufacture of boxes, that its bark furnishes the balsam used in medicine and art, that its leaves are gathered for fragrant pillows, they must also say "It is the Christmas tree of commerce." The ancient Teutons used to celebrate the winter season by decking a little fir tree in bits of tinsel, flowers, toys, ornaments of various kinds, for to them it was a symbol of the glorious sun which they worshiped. The symmetrical spreading and raying of the branches of the fir reminded them of the sun that rose higher and higher in the heavens.

## The Actors' Christmas

The troupe had been playing in hard luck. Fifty dollars, \$65, now and then \$100, were the nightly receipts, hardly enough to pay the railroad "jumps," let alone pay salaries. There was just enough money in the treasury to get to Wayville on Christmas night. It was one of those "East Lynne" "the child is with its mother in London" pieces, and when the company straggled into the town at midday the local theater manager was at the station, to be sure they had the eight actors.

The players wandered about the town during the day. The curtain went up on \$24.75, most of it in the gallery. Some of the \$24.75 went out at the end of the second act and didn't come back. When the final curtain came down a weary crowd scattered to the chill dressing rooms, wondering if the hotel proprietor would stop them at the station the next morning.

This speculation was at its height when the theater manager of the town appeared, his arms filled with bundles, and dumped them into the arms of the youngest member of the troupe.

"Say," he blustered, apparently a little ashamed of what he was going to say, "you people are having rotten luck, ain't you? I'm all alone up at my house. Come up and have supper with me, will you? And, say, I've had a bit of luck this year, and I'll stake you to the night's receipts. And those things I gave the kid, they—well, they once belonged to a kid of mine."

And he went out.  
One of the women started to cry—  
That's where the story ends.—New York Evening Post.



The sergeant in the trenches  
Slid his rifle from its mound  
And bared his aching forehead  
Where a red-stained rag was wound.  
"Tonight, somewhere beyond us,  
There is holly on the door,  
And children smile in sleep," he said,  
"Unmindful of the war.  
And somewhere there is laughter,  
And hymns of praise are being sung,  
Mistletoe and ropes of green  
Are somewhere being hung;  
Yet we who stand on guard tonight,  
Expectant, sleeve to sleeve,  
Our hearts by battle hardened,  
Forget it's Christmas Eve!  
Thru miles of hostile distance  
Where the tender home thought climbs,  
I hear the frost-claimed echo  
Of silver Christmas chimes.  
Pardon, comrades, for my fancy  
Runs wild and free tonight;  
'Twas but a bursting shell I heard  
Off there upon our right."  
Then he shouted from the ramparts  
Where life and death held tryst,  
At the lines of hidden legions  
Thru the settling powder mist.  
"Must our presents be but leaden  
Like the rest that you have sent?  
Then may Christmas faith among you  
Spoil your aiming and prevent!  
Unless you court a greater sin  
Than you or I conceive,  
Ground arms and fly the truce flag,  
Make the password 'Christmas Eve!'  
Let memory of days that were  
The thirst of vengeance quench.  
So the glory of the season  
May invade each bristling trench;  
Let every heart be softened,  
Every war tense should receive  
The silent, hallowed message  
That is sent on Christmas Eve!"  
Then, as tho his cry was answered,  
Clear a bugle order rang  
From far off in the distance:  
"CEASE FIRING!" it sang.  
And the War God loosed its fingers  
At the mandate of the horn,  
The Star of Bethlehem gleamed down  
And Christ our Lord was born.



## Who Brings the Toys?

Tariff, machines, figures—what have they to do with Toyland?

You grown people may smile a little wistfully to see another leaf of romance fall away from the tree of life forever. But the thousands of little boys and girls the world over know better. They know who makes the toys and who brings them. They know how old Santa Claus comes down with his heavy pack from the snowy spaces between the stars—down, straight down, through the chimney in a skirl of wind and a flurry of powdery flakes, and gets not one whit the sootier for it; and how he lands as good natured and jolly as ever on the smoldering hearth, with fairy gifts for his children.

And what cares little Jack or Jill anyhow whence they come as long as they get their toys?

## His Yuletide Scheme

A New York paper printed a few years ago an amusing letter written by a man who says he has invented a simple plan whereby the prospective sender of gifts may be put in touch with the wants and don't wants of his friends. His idea is simply that a circular letter should be mailed to his friends about Dec. 10. The letter should state that, as the recipient has given him presents in the past, the writer supposes he is considering a continuance of such action, and in order to spare the giver worry and the writer disappointment, the latter is solving the problem by the application of a little common sense.

He proposes to inclose two lists, one containing the names of articles he does not want, while the other list would have upon it gifts he would like to receive.

## Christmastide

THE blasts of winter are fierce  
and cold,  
The snow lies deep over hill and  
wood,  
But a star shines bright through the  
deepening gloom—  
Room for the Christ Child, room!

Where man's distrust and his greed  
for gain  
Have frozen the floods of tender rain  
Till never a flower of hope can  
bloom—  
Room for the Christ Child, room!

In homes that deepest griefs have  
borne,  
'Mid silent forms of those that  
mourn,  
In the shadows that gather around  
the tomb—  
Room for the Christ Child, room!

Where nations are warring, life for  
life,  
And a cry rings out from the fear-  
ful strife  
As a dying people sinks to its  
doom—  
Room for the Christ Child, room!

Room for the shepherds of Bethle-  
hem,  
Room for the angels who sang to  
them,  
Room for the light in the wintry  
gloom—  
Room for the Christ Child, room!  
—Willis Boyd Allen in Harper's  
Magazine.

## When Sending the Gift

The humblest gift goes forth now-  
adays on its Christmas travels in deco-  
rative dress. No one thinks of sending a  
Christmas package in ordinary store  
wrappings, and each season there are  
fascinating adornments for the inside  
and outside of a package.

The ordinary gift has inclosed in it a  
Christmas card—if the visiting card  
is used the title is stricken out—with ap-  
propriate decoration. Among the new  
designs is one with a miniature tree at  
one corner and a steaming plum pud-  
ding at the other, connected by a Mer-  
ry Christmas scroll. For the children  
is a holly bordered card with Santa  
Claus filling the stocking before the  
open grate. In good taste is a green  
holly wreath tied with a red bow, and  
for the best girl is a mistletoe card.

## Christmas Trees No Loss

Persistent endeavor on the part of  
the advocates of conservation of the  
timber supply, says the Providence  
Journal, has greatly reduced the losses  
reported during the holiday season  
in the northern forests.

In the Adirondacks, for example, it  
is stated that the cutting of Christ-  
mas trees valued at \$1,000,000 has  
caused no damage, because judgment  
was exercised in the selection of the  
evergreens to be marketed. Instead  
of denuding large areas, as in pre-  
vious years, only the young growth  
that interfered with the development  
of the largest and best trees was re-  
moved. The systematic selection of  
Christmas trees thus benefited the for-  
ests by giving more light and air to  
the more valuable timber.

It is regretted that the simple and  
sensible rules now being followed in  
the Adirondacks were not observed  
many years ago. Millions of good  
trees have been lost through ignorance  
and carelessness of the owners, of  
woodland. At Christmas time the cus-  
tom was to strip the ground—there  
was no thought of the future. The  
lumbermen were no less destructive—  
the mature trees were sent to the  
sawmill, while the smaller growth  
was cut down and burned "just to  
get it out of the way." The reform  
was late in coming, but it is fortunate  
that at last there is appreciation of  
the practical benefits of conservation  
in the woods.

## Pretty Christmas Customs

There are many pretty customs  
which are observed at Christmas time  
in different countries. One of the  
prettiest of these customs is thus de-  
scribed by a traveler in Sweden. He  
writes: "One wintry afternoon at  
Christmastide I had been skating on  
a pretty lake three miles from Gothen-  
burg. On my way home I noted that  
at every farmer's house there was  
erected, in the middle of the dooryard,  
a pole, to the top of which was bound  
a large, full sheaf of grain. This, I  
was informed, was for the little wild  
birds. They must have a merry Christ-  
mas, too," I was told. Not a peasant  
in Sweden will sit down with his chil-  
dren to a Christmas dinner indoors un-  
til he has first raised aloft a Christ-  
mas dinner for the little birds that live  
in the cold and snow outside."

## For Holiday Music

TOYLAND'S wise old superintendent  
has thousands of sweet sounding  
musical instruments, says Eleonor  
Schorer in the New York Evening  
World. And he is going to dash down  
from the icy north just the very minute  
that the sandman has finished  
throwing sleepy sand in kiddies' eyes.  
He is going to slide down the chim-  
ney and leave something in the fire-  
place, under the Christmas tree, for  
you, good boys and girls. What shall  
he leave for you?

Would you be glad if you would  
wake on Christmas day to find a little  
grand piano tucked underneath the  
tree, a piano that will really play  
sweet music, that one can sing with:  
a mahogany piano, with a beautiful,  
real keyboard?

Of, if you are a boy, would you like  
one of the fine burnished brass bugles  
with a red cord and tassel tied on it?  
To blow the bugle to wake the great  
toyland army of bluecoats that stand  
stiffly in even rows in an attentive body  
awaiting your command—wouldn't that  
be great sport?

How about a big boy scout drum?  
They are perhaps the newest things  
in the snare instruments.  
They are very strong and sturdy,  
having sheepskin heads, held down by  
screw tension. Surely a tattoo beaten  
on a boy scout drum would fire the  
little tin army with energy.

There are plenty of other musical  
toys that might appeal to little ones  
who do not care for these—flutes on  
which the American lad can easily  
learn to play "Yankee Doodle" and  
"Dixie" and violins which utter sweet,  
low sounds from under the bow.  
Would you like a French horn, a clar-  
inet or a trombone? All these instru-  
ments are very popular, so, if you do  
want any you had better write Santa  
very soon.

## Christmas Two Centuries Ago.

A writer, who signed himself Thom-  
as North, gives a rather lively picture  
of English Christmas observances in  
the reign of George II. "My house,  
sir," he writes, "is directly opposite  
a great church, and it was with great  
pleasure I observed from my window  
last Christmas day the numerous poor  
that waited at the doors very liberally  
relieved, but my joy was soon over,  
for no sooner were the charitable  
congregations dispersed but these  
wretches, who before appeared the  
very pictures of misery, forgot their  
cant and fell to quarrelling about the  
dividend. Oaths and curses flew about  
them very plentifully, and passion  
grew so high that they fell hard upon  
one another's faults. In short, sir, I  
learned from their own mouths that  
they were all impostors, both men and  
women."

## Christmas in Oberammergau.

In Oberammergau, Germany, a dis-  
tinctly religious tone is given to  
Christmas. The Christ Child is the  
guardian angel of the time. It is he,  
they say, who brings the Christmas  
tree. He comes down from heaven  
on Christmas eve, holding it in his  
hands. Two angels bearing presents  
fly before him and two behind. He  
puts the tree on the table, rings a  
bell and flies away. He brings a  
blessing to the children that have  
been obedient.

To the children of Oberammergau  
St. Nicholas is an angel in disguise.  
He goes about from house to house  
in ragged clothes and with a bag on  
his back. He gives a loud knock at  
the door and asks, "Are the children  
good?" If the answer is "Yes" he  
leaves fruits and candies. If the an-  
swer is "No" he leaves a stick.



VALLEY ECHOES.

Miss Katherine Ostenton entertained twelve of her friends last Friday evening at a delightful party held in honor of a tenth birthday.

The Christmas holidays will extend from Wednesday, December twentieth to January fourth, inclusive. Classes will be resumed at eight o'clock Friday morning, the fifth.

Miss Anna Hall left St. Joseph's on Saturday to meet her mother in Washington where they expect to remain for a few days prior to returning to Pittsburgh for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Pattison, New Orleans, La., will arrive in Emmitsburg, Christmas eve to spend several days with the Misses Ruth and Marie Louise Pattison of St. Joseph's and Mr. Pandeley Pattison of Mt. St. Mary's.

During the holidays Mrs. Fannie Seay Castleman, Greensboro, Ala., who has been visiting in Virginia will be the guest of "The Valley," where her daughter Miss Evelyn Castleman is a student in the sophomore class.

Among the visitors at St. Joseph's last week were Mr. and Mrs. John Gloninger, Cumberland, Md., who have just returned from their honeymoon. The seniors extend congratulations in the name of the student body.

Miss Clementine B. Kelly, A. B., Regent of the Pittsburgh Chapter of St. Joseph's Alumnae who has been making a visit to Miss Masie Sebald returned home on Saturday taking with her the Misses Kelly who will spend the holidays in the smoky city.

Wanted! Santa Claus to fill the seniors' stockings with a promise from the alumnae to keep them in touch with the different events of interest to the readers of "Valley Echoes." Many important affairs pass by unrecorded when a note to the Press Correspondent would be sufficient to insert them in this prominent column.

To the Alumnae! May the Angels who sang glad tidings over the crib of the Infant King sing in your homes during these joyous days of Christmas-tide. May the peace to souls of good-will be yours; a peace which surpasseth all understanding. Peace, the gift by excellence!

The past few days have been filled with girlish excitement and good cheer, characteristic of the season, for Wednesday was the day of departure for the girls who will spend Christmas at home. About fifteen of the students are remaining during the vacation and preparations are under way for the fitting celebration of the yuletide.

The Christmas concert which took place last Sunday was delightful in every detail. Three promising young singers, Misses Edith Gibney, Ruth Conley and Rosalie Cofer made their debut in Christmas songs befitting the season, with violin obligatos by Miss Nan Miller. The pantomimic sketch "The Three Kings" was rendered exceedingly well by the second year academic in costume.

X'mas Peace.

There's wild music in the wind,  
When its passion heart is stirred;  
But in the gentle snowflake  
Is sweeter rhythm, oft unheard.

There's deep music in the sea,  
As it roars against the bar;  
But more soothing are the strains  
In the wordless song of star.

There's glad music in the bells,  
As they ring the frosty air;  
But more tender is the tiding  
That the Christmas angels bear.

There's sweet promise in the spring-tide,  
When bud and burgeon swell;  
But more glad some is the message  
That the Christmas angels tell!

R. L. P.

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MOUNTAINEERS VICTORS IN CLOSELY PLAYED GAME

Penn State Taken Into Mt. St. Mary's Mary's Camp by Score of 18 to 17.

In a hotly contested game the Mount St. Mary's basketball quint defeated the Pennsylvania State Forestry Academy squad, Mt. Alto, at Emmitsburg last Friday night, by the score of 18 to 17. The Mountaineers by that very aggressiveness which was characteristic of the football squad, took the lead in the first half, scoring 16 points to eight tabulated by their opponents.

During the second session the Penn State youths made a game effort to snatch the inevitable victory from the Mount lads, scoring 9 points to 2 made by St. Mary's.

The Mountaineers showed a decided improvement in their goal shooting, but their passing was off color during the major part of the game. Senft, playing left forward for the visitors, was the whole show for his team. He caged eight baskets from remote sections of the field, scoring 16 of the 17 points made by Penn State. The score:

Mt. St. Mary's. Penn State.  
Boyle.....L. F.....Senft  
Crilly.....R. F.....Muser  
Hennessey.....C.....Windle  
Chapman.....L. G.....Van Ursdel  
Sheridan.....R. G.....Miller  
Substitutions—Royer for Chapman; Roland for Windle; Kramer for Roland.  
Goals—Senft, 8; Hennessey, 4; Crilly, 2; Boyle, 2; Sheridan 1. Fouls—Windle, 1. Referee—Derr, Frederick.  
Timer—Rice, Mt. St. Mary's. Ziegler, Penn State. Scorer—Mulhearn. Time of halves—20 minutes.

JUNIOR BASKETBALL TEAM EXPECTS TO MAKE SHOWING

The Juniors Defeated the Quintet of The Junior Class '18 in the First Game of the Year.—Score 29-16.

The prospects of the Junior Basketball team have materially brightened during the past week as Fesenmeier, Sours, Miller and Cain continue to show splendid form, the work of Fesenmeier has been particularly brilliant.

Captain Costello is the only one of last years' championship team eligible for this years' quint and so far he has been kept on the side line by a weak knee. However he expects to be back in the game after Xmas and will add experience and steadiness to the team. At the rate the present five are working it will be hard to tell who will be taken out to make room for the brilliant Captain. As he is a splendid guard as well as a star forward, he will be used in whichever position seems to need bolstering.

The Juniors sprung a surprise when they defeated the quintet of the Junior Class, '18, in the first game of the year 29-16. Fesenmeier was the star, caging seven baskets, four of which were exceptional shots. Miller and Sours also performed well. Fisher and Gray are both promising centers tho at present neither is up to the standard of the other four men. Hollern, Sinnott, Hartl and Ruiz are all capable of making the regulars hustle to hold their jobs. Sadler and Lafferty, two old Junior stars performed best for the college men. Line up.

Class '18 (16)	Juniors (29)
Lafferty.....	Fesenmeier
Doran.....	Cain
Sadler (Capt.).....	Fisher
Rauth.....	Miller
Grady.....	Sours

Substitutions—Juniors, Gray for Fisher; McNally for Gray. '18, Kearns for Rauth. Goals, Fesenmeier 7, Cain 3, Miller 2, Gray 2, Sadler 6, Lafferty 2. Fouls, Fesenmeier 1.

The United States produces a bushel and a half of apples per capita.

A GLIMPSE OF XMAS HEAVEN.

By M. M. M.

"Star gazing," a pleasant occupation in any clime or season, is especially fascinating when the December constellations gleam brilliantly over the Blue Ridge. The Christmas spirit tends to elevate hearts, thoughts and eyes,—and what resplendent beauties meet the sight at midnight on Christmas eve! A vast canvas on which are stretched the vivid, suggestive masterpieces of the Divine Artist. An expansive, melancholy background effectively contrasted with the subtle, delicate tracery of the stars. A limitless, inspiring expanse in which concentrated sparks of loveliness burn.

The three, unflinching beacons that adorn the belt of Orion point accusingly to Sirius, who glows fiercely from Canis Major in the southeast. Not far off, westward, the red light of Aldebaran burns ardently. Above a spider web woven by spirit hands, silvery threads of star-light forming the Pleiades or Seven Sisters, seem to cast a celestial benediction upon the sleeping earth. In the southwest, Cetus, the whale, amidst a sea of rippling light lies imbedded in the starry deep; nearby, Capella in Auriga, the charioteer, directs the way with dazzling precision, while Pegasus prepares to spread his wings for another flight in the realms of lustre. From the royal household, Perseus is watching the fettered Andromeda. The twins, Castor and Pollux, look down upon Procyon, the glowing eye in Canis Minor. The Little and Great Bear, The Dragon, Regulus in the Lion—all contribute their share to the glorious illuminations.

What marvels of science these heavenly exhibitions conceal! What mathematical formulae underlie these operations! What discoveries make, could he but fathom these sublime truths! Such poetry, such music the awesome, silent working of the spheres produce. If man but list, extend his soul to this exquisite harmony, a heavenly peace will enter there.

Strange and terrible thought! These same stars looked down upon Bethlehem some nineteen hundred years ago; the heavens then sang the glory of the Infant King and the firmament declareth the stars the work of His hands.

Farmers Enjoy Their Best Year.

All records for value of the country's important farm crops were exceeded this year despite the smaller size of the crops. Their value was placed at \$7,641,609,000 by the Department of Agriculture in its final estimates of the year. This is \$1,750,000,000 more than the same crops were worth last year. Higher prices, due partly to reduced production and partly to the demands for American food from the warring nations of Europe, were responsible for the vast increase in value.

Four crops each were worth more than \$1,000,000,000. Corn, with a total value of \$2,295,783,000, showed the greatest increase, being worth \$573,103,000 more than last year's output. Cotton, the second most valuable, with a total of \$1,079,598,000, increased \$475,378,000 over last year.

Wheat, the third, was worth \$1,025,765,000, or \$83,462,000 over the year before, when the production was almost 400,000,000 bushels more.

Hay was fourth, with a value of \$1,005,894,000, an increase of \$95,250,000. Compared with last year's value, other crops showed the following increases: Oats, \$96,678,000; potatoes, \$95,071,000; tobacco, \$72,727,000; barley \$41,362,000; rye, \$12,774,000; buckwheat, \$1,521,000; flaxseed, \$13,940,000; rice, \$10,974,000; sweet potatoes, \$13,161,000; sugar beets, \$4,243,000; beans, \$17,992,000; kaffirs, \$2,112,000; onions, \$1,601,000; apples, \$27,660,000; oranges, \$9,545,000, and wild hay, \$11,053,000.

BISHOP SENDS GREETINGS

Right Rev. John G. Murray Issues Christmas Message.

Bishop John G. Murray, bishop of the Maryland Diocese of the Protestant Episcopal church, has issued the following Christmas greeting:

Earth was in the darkness of doubt and desolation of despair 1,900 years ago, when suddenly Heaven opened and its holy host announced therefrom the harmonizing hymn of glorious hope and blessed assurance, "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men."

The hope of that hymn was the birth of "in the city of David, a Saviour, Christ the Lord," of whom it had in ancient days been foretold that "the government shall be upon His shoulder, and His name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, the mighty God, the everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace."

The assurance of that hymn has been manifest in the love and labor of all human life during the intervening years. And faith in that assurance now, in this disturbed and distressing time upon earth, is the one agency which is maintaining the mental and moral poise of the whole civilized world.

The abandonment of this faith would be like plucking the bright orb of day from the heavens and plunging the earth into a darkness of night bereft of both real and reflected light. No shining sun would mean also darkened moon and stars. No God of love and prince of peace would mean also creatures of hate and followers of destruction. But the mighty God of love is still in His Heaven and the Prince of Peace is also there pleading for His people. All must yet, therefore, be well with the world. Let us then bow our heads, but lift up our hearts under the angelic salutation of this Christmas time and welcome Him by whom God has in these last days spoken unto us that from Him we may also receive power to become the sons of God and in everything do our Father's will.

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**How The Pope Spends Days In Vatican.**

People who see the frail, white figure of Benedict XV for the first time conclude the Pope is a man of weak health. The fact is the Holy Father scarcely ever felt sick in his life. The Holy Father rises at 5 A. M., an hour before three-fourths of Rome leave Dreamland. At 6 o'clock, prayer and meditation over, the Vicar of Christ stands vested to offer up the Holy Sacrifice, attended by a couple of prelates attached to the Vatican. His mass is served by a lay brother of the Order of St. Augustine.

At 7 o'clock, when a mass has been heard by way of thanksgiving and the "Small Hours" of his breviary are said, the light Italian breakfast of coffee and rolls is served. Then comes the perusal of the newspapers by a statesman who has the politics of Europe, Australia and the two Americas on his finger tips. One of the duties of Cardinal Gasparri, Papal Secretary of State, is to mark for the Pope's notice items of special importance. The present Pontiff, like Leo XIII, likes the whole paper to be laid before him. Pius X used, I believe, to be content at receiving cuttings on important matters to be laid before him each morning.

While the clock is striking 8 Benedict XV is sitting at his desk amid his private secretaries to begin the labors of his long day. Work goes on steadily until 9, at which hour the Secretary of State arrives with a portfolio filled with documents for the Pontiff's consideration. By 10 o'clock commences private audiences to cardinals, bishops, laymen of prominence who may have special matters to treat on with the Head of the Church, and ambassadors representing the different countries in diplomatic relations with the Holy See. Only rarely, of course, is an ambassador received by the Pope in person, because it is the duty of the Cardinal Secretary of State to receive the diplomatic corps one day every week and the report which each individual has to make.

Benedict XV, if not a vegetarian, is on the border line. His dinner, which he takes alone, consists mostly of vegetables and eggs, with very little meat.

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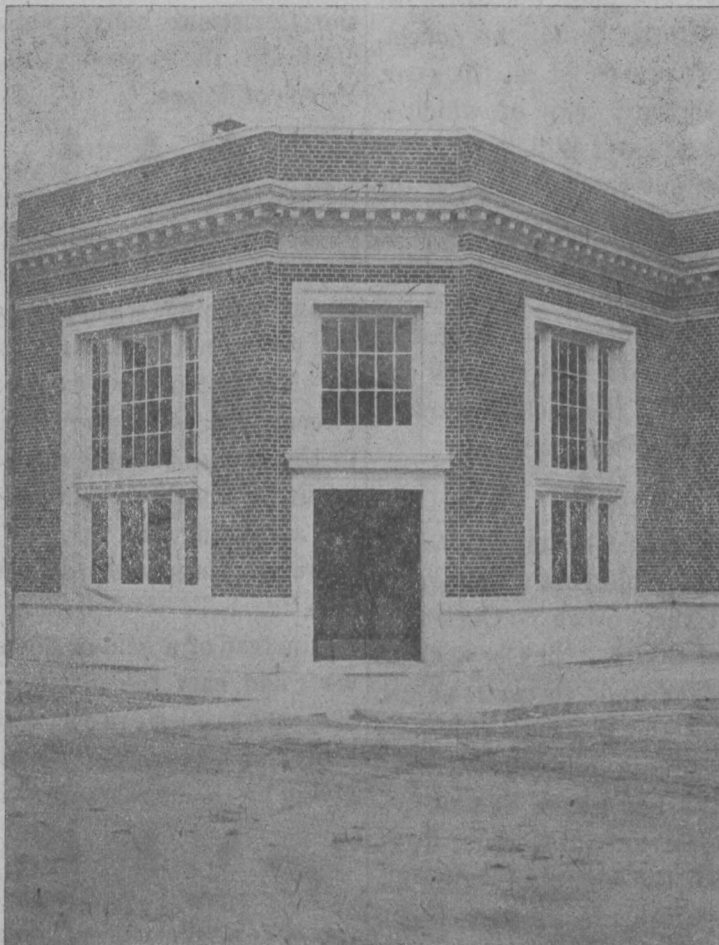
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Description of Structure Which Marks A New Epoch in Banking Facilities In This Section.



The formal re-opening of the Emmitsburg Savings Bank in its handsome new building on the Square was held last Saturday afternoon and night. During the day hundreds of visitors called to inspect the new quarters. The officers and directors of the institution were kept busy serving patrons and showing the guests through. Judging by the many complimentary remarks made by the latter, it is evident that the people appreciate the efforts made by the management of this bank to provide for them every convenience for their service and safeguard for their money and valuables. Many callers from out of town expressed themselves as more than surprised on seeing the new building and its equipment and said that this building compared most favorably with institutions in much larger places, many of which it surpassed. The new building marks a distinct advance in banking facilities in this section, and will be a conspicuous landmark in Emmitsburg for a long time to come. The Board of Directors and the stockholders as well, are to be congratulated upon the completion of this new building which reflects so much credit on the foresightedness and executive ability of their officers who have given the community such a beautiful, substantial and convenient banking house.

Mr. John B. Hamme, of York, Pa., was the architect of the building. Especial credit for the realization of his plans is due to Mr. William E. Reigart, of Dallastown, Pa., who so ably supervised the entire work of construction.

**The Building.**

The building is a one-story structure, 28 feet front by 76 feet in depth, and is devoted in its entirety to the needs of the Emmitsburg Savings Bank. The Banking Room has a clear story height of 21 feet. The architecture is a dignified and refined colonial type. The exterior is finished in red tapestry brick laid in white mortar with granite and white limestone trimmings. Barrett Specification covers the roof, which is flat. The entrance is very conveniently located on the hexagonal corner. Large windows 10x15 feet admit light from either side.

**The Interior.**

The Banking Room is 26 by 53 feet clear inside. The walls to a height of eight feet are wainscoted with carefully matched English Vein Italian marble and the counter front is faced with similar marble, while the baseboards and counter trimmings are done in Verde

Antique, a beautifully marked green and white marble. The counter screen and the Cashier's Room, as well as the entire interior finish and the furniture, desks and chairs are of selected Mexican mahogany. Four conveniently located counter windows insure prompt and systematic attention to patrons. The ceiling is carried by heavy white plaster beams dividing it into deep panels which, with the upper walls, are finished with a silver grey sand coat producing a very pleasing effect.

The floor of the Public Space in front of the counter is laid in white tile with green and white border, and that of the working space behind the counter is covered with Nonpareil Cork tile in a two-tone brown checker-board pattern, cemented down and polished, giving a resilient and noiseless surface.

**The Vault.**

Toward the rear of the Banking Room is located a double vault, 10 by 14 by 8 feet, inside dimensions, the walls of which are 12 inches thick, stone concrete, heavily reinforced top, sides and bottom with a chrome steel cage and protected by a 12-inch thick solid steel door, composed of alternate layers of chrome and soft steel plates, which is hung on massive crane hinges. The finish of the door and of the large architrave surrounding is polished steel, and the hinges are gun-metalled. The locking mechanism consists of twenty-two round steel bolts, each 2 1/2 inches in diameter, checked by double combinations and three-movement latest improved Sargent & Greenleaf 72-hour time lock. On the inside face of the door there is a heavy plate glass fitted in a metal frame and hinged to the bolt frame to protect the locking mechanism from dirt and rust. The door is closed with a powerful compression system, operated by windlass, so tightly forcing the door into the frame that it is impossible to inject explosives into the joints. The York Safe & Lock Co., of York, Pa., furnished this door.

The interior of the vault is divided into two compartments by heavy steel grille work with nicked day gates—one leading into that portion of the vault which will be used by the bank for banking purposes, the other into the customers' space wherein are kept the modern safety deposit boxes and chair and table where one may clip coupons or go over important papers undisturbed. The bank's funds and securities are kept in the interior of the vault in a heavy steel banker's safe, which is also protected with a double-movement

time lock and the latest burglar-proof equipment. Directly beneath the vault proper is a spacious, sub-vault, which is used for storing records.

The vault is completely isolated, top, sides and bottom, and is finished in harmony with the interior decorations of the bank.

Directly in the rear of the Banking Room is the Directors' Room which is finished in white enamel with a floor of hardwood. Coat rooms and Lavatory are provided on the first floor.

The basement contains the heating plant—the Bromell Vapor Heating System—which is regulated automatically from the main banking room by a clock and electric controller.

The building is brilliantly lighted with electricity from large domes of the semi-indirect type suspended from the ceiling panels, while "Emeralds" are used at all counter windows and desks.

**How Uncle Sam Cares For Divorced Widows.**

In the Ashbrook Pension bill, which passed the last session of Congress, the American Government for the first time offers certain of its women citizens an insurance against unsuccessful marriage. Up to the present time a pensioned soldier's widow who remarried automatically disappeared from the pension rolls. But now, under this new legislation, she can resume her pensionable status on the death of her second husband.

But the law does far more than that. In case such a soldier's widow marries again and is divorced from the second husband for causes that reflect no discredit upon herself, she again automatically regains her pension. Evidently remarriage is thus made safe for soldiers' widows; the sacred institution, so far as they are concerned, loses its traditional character of a lottery. Taken in connection with the easy divorce laws of many states, the eligible soldier's widow runs not the slightest risk. She enters the state with the fore-knowledge that if the prospective husband prove unsatisfactory, the Government stands ready to protect her against the financial consequences of having made a bad choice.

This pension wonder advances to the pension roll many thousands of widows who have been storming it for years. The original pension law granted allowances only to "war widows"—that is, women whose husbands had been killed in the civil war. But Congress, in 1890, passed a law which "covered in" all the women who had married soldiers up to that date. This legislation caused tremendous protest at the time, as it was claimed that young women, born in many cases, after the war, had married veterans merely for the purpose of ascending the pension roll after their husband's death.

In this Ashbrook law any girl who married a soldier before 1905 will draw \$20 a month for life after his death. Here, for example, is a girl, aged 22 in 1905, who marries a 60 or 70 year veteran. She herself was born in 1883—nearly 20 years after the war ended. On her husband's death—and naturally he could not survive marriage long—she gets \$20 a month for life. If she lives until she is 90, she will draw this pension, merely because she had the foresight to marry a poor old veteran who was tottering toward his grave.


**Danger Signal.**

If the fire bell should ring would you run and stop it or go and help to put out the fire? It is much the same way with a cough. A cough is a danger signal as much as a fire bell. You should no more try to suppress it than to stop a fire bell when it is ringing, but should cure the disease that causes the coughing. This can nearly always be done by taking Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Many have used it with the most beneficial results. It is especially valuable for the persistent cough that so often follows a bad cold or an attack of the grip. Mrs. Thomas Beeching, Andrews, Ind., writes: "During the winter my husband takes cold easily and coughs and coughs. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the best medicine for breaking up these attacks and you cannot get him to take any other." Obtainable everywhere.

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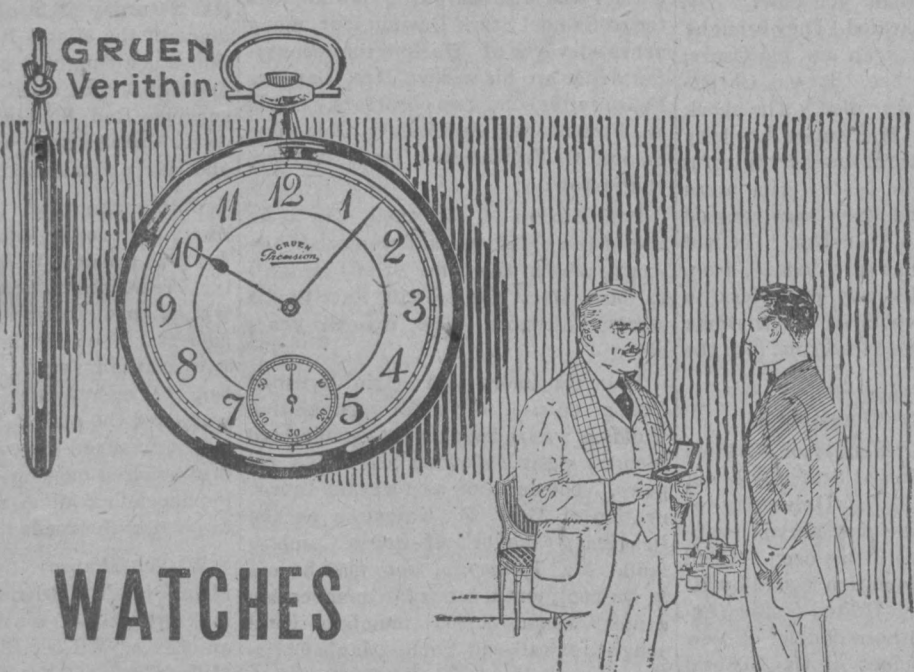
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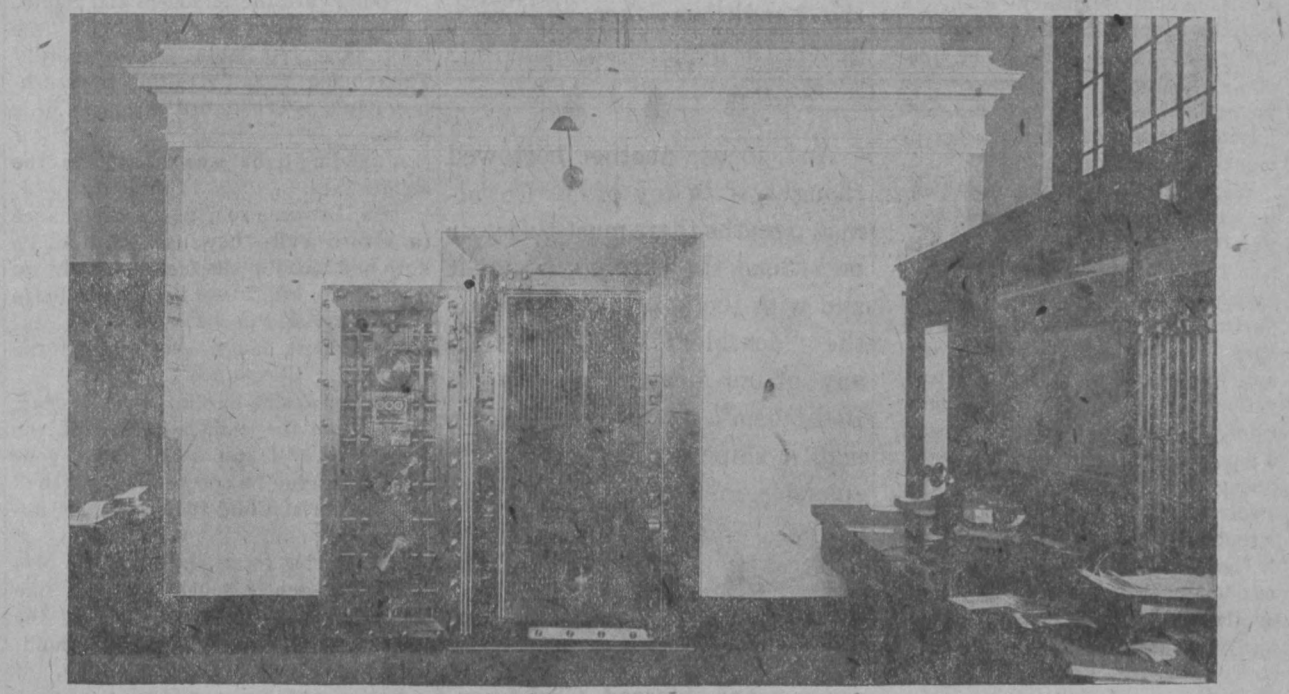
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"Only he can keep Christmas who insists that the spirit of unselfish love shall rule his life."



Over the brow of a few tomorrows Christmas will be here again—Christmas the birthday of the Christ Child, the holiest, happiest season of all the year, the dominant note of which is Peace and Good Will.

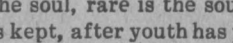
From out the centuries of the past, and even above the din of battle now raging, alas, in Christian climes, can still be heard the echo of the message delivered to the Shepherds; and over all can still be seen the mellow glow of the star that led the Magi.



"Have you ever stopped," says one, "to think what we all would miss if there were no Christmas season? Suppose the Christ Child had never come to earth at all. Contrast the present brightness and gladness, and joy with the darkness and gloom and sorrow of a world without Christ.



To admit that Holy Child to your heart and make Him there an abiding guest; to be young again yourself; to live over again the days when Christmas meant so much to you, a child; to weave into the delight of children about you the reborn nature of your childhood and enhance for them, and, through them, for your own self, the brightness of the hour—this it is that makes the Christmas spirit real, and



"Fair is the soul, rare is the soul Who has kept, after youth has passed, All the art of the child, all the heart of the child, Holding his faith at last."



Numerous and voluminous tomes have been composed in definition of the Christmas spirit, all of which have come finally to the conclusion that it is indefinable, writes one in a current magazine. And, indeed, that would appear to be the case. For what terms can be found to describe this strange essence, this volatile and wholly inexplicable current which, at the crackle of a wood fire or the smiling of friendly lips, charges the atmosphere of a room with divine content and good will, regardless of the conditions that ordinarily govern the happiness of mankind?



And, to use another borrowed thought, if in any of our Christmas wreaths there must this year be twined the cypress, beside it and with the holly may there be the "deathless laurel." If in any of our hearts the "Star of Bethlehem" has suffered eclipse may it shine out again in all its splendor, guiding our steps to the Christ.



"Whatever discords, wrongs or resentments the year has held for us, the blessed Christmas-

tide should end them all. If you have pushed aside any hand this year, reach out and clasp it now. If any dear tie has been loosened, knit it up again on this gladdest of all anniversaries. Let all wounds be healed, and all resentment and pride be buried under the Christmas holly, while we celebrate the birthday of the Prince of Peace."



Christmas should be a season of love—not love to a chosen few, but love in abundance to all. This means opening wide our hearts and giving not necessarily intrinsic gifts, but a kind word to the discouraged, a cheery greeting to the sick, a friendly call to the lonely, a touch of sympathy to the sorrowing and other "little nameless unremembered acts of love."

"Instead of a gem or flower, if we could cast the gift of cheer and encouragement into the hearts of others—that would be giving as the angels give."



"Christmas is the feast, not for a few, but for all, regardless of station, circumstance or environment—a time when we delight to see a universal enjoyment of friendship and good will. This was Christmas in the beginning, and this it is now—gorgeous in its simplicity, universal in its effect. It commemorates the humility, the meekness of the Nazarine; the love, the kindness of the Prince of Peace, the Glory of the God man." Keep your Christmas thus, and it will be a happy one.



And this is the wish to every CHRONICLE subscriber, advertiser, correspondent and friend—the CHRONICLE'S wish to All:

"True Christmas spirit is the hope Of better days and brighter skies: May all the good come unto you That ever was in prophecies; And 'T7 prove so full of cheer That it will be your happiest year."

A TOUCH OF NATURE.

By M. M., '17.

The fierce winds howled, tore violently, threatening the poorly laid foundation of the crude, one-roomed cabin in which some thirty men were gathered this Christmas eve. The feeble gleam of a dingy oil lamp cast a ghastly pallor upon the inmates, beast-like, passion-crazed men whose eyes blazed fire and whose countenances depicted unrelenting hatred.

"Down with the rich, let them suffer our griefs and heartaches, if they won't aid us. Vengeance calls us tonight, with the voice of our starving, cheated children she cries out.

As the eloquent apostle of discontent and hate concluded, there was a hurried consultation, then the gang dispersed into the night.

In one of the handsome, imposing mansions of the city, an adoring household was engaged in making plans to amuse its idol. He all unconscious, slumbered. Suddenly, he stirred, started, jumped from his bed, crept cautiously down the stairs into the garden. Excitement burned within him so that he scarcely felt the ice that purpled his tender feet.

"Where are the reindeers and Santa, I know I heard the sleighbells," he spoke aloud. "O Santa, you are there!" Thus calling, he saw stealthily approaching a tall, alert figure wrapped in a cloak.

A blinding light was flashed in the child's face. "Ha, Brown's son, now's my chance to return evil—they used my child's flesh and blood in the factory and I owe it to him to kill," and he drew a knife from his inside pocket. A low, mocking, mirthless laugh accompanied the one word, "Vengeance."

"So you aren't Santa Clause, O dear, but—" and the child-hand sought the rough one. "I am sorry about your child, have you no one to love? I shall tell the Christ Child tomorrow, He understands."

overcoat was deposited at the frontdoor of the Brown mansion; a bowed figure slowly slunk into the darkness.

"I didn't know that I had any more—I thought they all froze up when Jim died," muttered the vengeance-seeking wright, as his shirt sleeves sought his eyes.

He pulled himself together. With a reckless whistle and swinging gait, the shabby form turned into the next street. A Christmas joy, a sweet forgiveness filled his heart; for frequent intervals throughout the day found him musing, solemnly and complacently on the truth, new-found for him, that after all notwithstanding the artificial distinctions and divisions among men there is fundamentally a kinship, a oneness of feeling and inspiration among all, which his fatherly instinct helped him to realize when face to face with tragic crime—a kinship that caused him to wonder why he had never recognized it before while contemplating from youth up the great event commemorated on Christmas.

Faithful Unto Death.

By R. L. P.

It was Christmas eve. A dull grey mist hung over the quaint old city of New Orleans. Little Jean Lemore walked briskly by the side of Oscar, his faithful, old colored servant. Jean was the apple of Oscar's eye, as Jean was likewise the pride and only child of M. and Mme. Lemore. The father, cold and stern, confessed in doting on Jean, his only weakness; the mother, sweet and gentle, discovered in Jean her greatest strength.

Through the crowded streets they walked, big Oscar and little Jean, true friends, united by that bond which neither blood nor rank can sever. Suddenly "Little Massa's" eye was attracted to a brilliant display in a large shop window. He stopped and pressed his boyish face flat against the glass. "Little Massa" was eight years old. Rocking horses very often possess charms at that age. A moment and Oscar had passed on. The crowd hurried by. Oscar turned to grasp Jean's little hand, but "Little Massa" was not there.

All through the day he searched, all through the night. Wearily through the streets he passed, calling again and again: "Little Massa, whar is you Little Massa?" But only the echo made reply. He stopped each passerby with the same piteful query. The hunted look grew in his eyes and when morning came he fell exhausted at the gate of the Lemore mansion. It was Christmas day and M. Lemore kicked him like a dog into the street.

The years fled. Anyone passing down Canal Street might see the bent form of an old negro who muttered continually to himself "Little Massa! Whar is you, Little Massa?"

It was Christmas eve, 1870. Eight years before another son had been born to M. and Mme. Lemore. In form and feature he was a second Jean. Doubly precious, he received that love and jealous care which only bereaved parents can give.

Little Pierre walked smartly by the side of a trim French governess. His sunny hair and laughing eyes brought many a smile to the lips of the Christmas shoppers. Together the two crossed the crowded thoroughfare, the guardian glancing nervously from side to side.

A sudden lull in the traffic—Hoarse shouts—Quickly the excited crowd swarms around the northeast corner. The French governess wrings her hands in agitation. The crowd draws aside. In the open space lies an overturned delivery wagon, bright Christmas parcels scattered everywhere. Close to the horses' head is an old negro, holding in his arms the pale form of a sunny haired lad. Those who stood in the inner circle could hear him murmur, as he bent his white head above the child: "I'se done foun' you, Little Massa! I'se done foun' you now!"

The boy was unharmed. They brought them home, little Jean and big Oscar; it was Christmas day. It was Christmas day when Oscar died. The shock had told its tale. M. Lemore knelt by the side of his faithful servant, faithful in life, faithful in death. His stern head was bent and the tears coursed down his proud, old cheeks. He had received a Christmas gift, indeed, from one whom now he was powerless to thank, from one whom on a Christmas day long ago he had kicked out into the streets.

All to Observe December 28.

Alumni of the University of Virginia throughout the United States will observe December 28 as University of Virginia night, and every alumni chapter in the entire world has been notified of an official proclamation issued by H. Snowden Marshall, United States Attorney for the Southern district of New York, who is president of the General Alumni Association. The celebrations will be in the nature of banquets, dinner and supper parties, dances and receptions.

A big celebration will be held in Winchester, Va. Representative T. W. Harrison, of the Seventh Virginia district, is president of the Winchester Chapter, and City Solicitor R. Gray Williams is secretary and treasurer.

"If the Yule-log's invitation To your heart no cheer can give, Let me ask how in creation Is it worth your while to live?"

STATE CONDENSED.

The fortieth anniversary of the founding of the First Christian Church, Hagerstown, was observed Sunday, with special services and music. The pastor, the Rev. George B. Townsend, preached on "A Voice from the Past." He reviewed the activities of the congregation in the last 40 years.

The Rev. George John Roudabush, 70 years old, a retired minister of the United Brethren Church, died Sunday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Edward Smith, in Washington. He was born in Virginia and served as pastor of the United Brethren Church at Boonsboro, Md., for many years. He also was presiding elder of the Maryland United Brethren Conference for some years.

Cardinal Gibbons and Brother Paul believe that the \$100,000 for the recreation building for the boys of St. Mary's Industrial School, Baltimore, will be in hand in a few days in response to the 101,000 night letters the Cardinal sent to Baltimoreans this week.

John Fry, a former employe of the Hagerstown Postoffice, serving a 30 month sentence in the federal prison at Atlanta, Ga., for robbing the mails, has been pardoned after serving 12 months it was learned at Hagerstown, Sunday.

Capt. Charles A. Hancock, 85 years old son of Absalom and Sophia Turner Hancock, former superintendent of the House of Refuge, at one time member of the Confederate Secret Service and one of Baltimore's most prominent citizens a quarter of a century ago, died at his rooming house in Baltimore Saturday evening from heart trouble.

Bishop E. E. Hoss, of Muskogee; Bishop Collins Ditty, of Richmond; Bishop Edwin D. Mouzon, of Dallas; Bishop Warren A. Candler, of Atlanta; Bishop W. B. Murrah, of Memphis, and Bishop James Atkins, of Waynesboro, N. C., are among the prominent Southern Methodists who will attend the joint commission meeting on the unification of Methodism in Baltimore on December 28. The remaining 19 members of the commission are from among the leading clergy and laymen in the Southern Methodist Church from all over the country.

Walter H. Crowl, who sued the Mail Publishing Company for \$10,000 damages for alleged libel, was awarded one cent damages by a jury in the Circuit Court at Hagerstown, Saturday afternoon. The case grew out of a certain alleged libelous publication made by the Daily Mail concerning a trial at Cumberland, in which young Crowl was awarded a verdict against the city of Hagerstown for the loss of his eye, caused by mortar falling from a building.

A unanimous call to Rev. J. R. Goar, of Princeton, N. J., was extended by the congregation of the Hagerstown Presbyterian church.

Charles Klein, the 14 year old son of Mrs. Annie M. Klein, 1610 Poplar Grove street, Baltimore, who was believed to have been murdered, near Pen Mar last June by his chum, Richard Barrett, 15 years old, was found alive in Cumberland Saturday. Barrett did not even strike Klein with the gun stolen from the Freysinger cottage, according to Klein's story, told to Chief of Police Young and Police Commissioner Eyermer, of Cumberland, in the Mayor's office of the Western Maryland city Saturday night. The stolen gun has been sold, the day following the robbery by Klein and Barrett at Pen Mar and not at Chester, Pa., as Barrett has said. Klein stated that he last saw Barrett not at Pen Mar, but at Washington, D. C., where Barrett deserted him.

Charles McGill Frownfelter, 81 years, old, died at Hagerstown, Sunday. He was a great grandson of Gen. John Stark, of Revolutionary fame. His mother was Miss Margaret Downin, sister of Samuel Stark Downin, for many years surveyor of Washington county. Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Caroline Frownfelter, and two brothers, David W. Frownfelter, Springfield, Ohio, and Samuel D. Frownfelter, forest warden, Hagerstown.

Mrs. Aurelia M. McConell, said to be one of the oldest market women in the world, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Mary Kagler, 2100 East Biddle street, Baltimore. She was 91 years old.

The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Young Men's Christian Association Building was rededicated at Cumberland Monday night following extensive repairs. The occasion also was the inauguration of Cecil P. Kalbaugh as the imaginary "mayor" of South Cumberland. Mr. Kalbaugh won first honors in the continental campaign membership contest when 30,000 members were sought for railroad Young Men's Christian Associations in North America. The local association has 1,600 members and in the recent contest 309 new members were secured. This is the fourth largest association of the kind in the country.

The Standard Grease and Glue Company will establish a large plant in the Curtis Bay, district, which will provide employment to 100 workers according to an official announcement made in Baltimore, Monday. This new industry was secured for Baltimore through the cooperation, of the industrial department.

FROM THE COUNTY.

Hood College students left last Saturday for the Christmas holidays, not to return to Frederick until January 3. The first semester was brought to a close with the Christmas party Friday evening when each girl was presented with a certain distinctive novelty that was descriptive of one or more of her characteristics. The Seminary Students on Church street held their annual party on last Thursday evening.

United States Senator John Walter Smith has launched a movement to have the State make some provision for the care and cure of the thousands of tubercular colored people in Maryland. In an interview Senator Smith, to whom is mainly due the establishment of the State Sanatorium at Sabillasville, strongly urged that, in the interest of both races, the State should take prompt steps to care for the colored tubercular victims, and said that he intended to use all his energies to impress upon the next Legislature the necessity of making an appropriation for this purpose. Dr. William H. Welch has again and again called attention to the need for provision for treating colored people.

Charles McHagan, prominent in fraternal circles, and for more than 30 years one of the leading blacksmiths of the county, died Sunday night at his home in Frederick after a lingering illness, aged 63 years and 22 days.

Roger B. Wood, son of Col. E. R. Wood, of Frederick, has resigned his office of assistant United States district attorney for New York.

Frederick is to become an oil distribution center for Western Maryland. This became known last week at a special meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen when the Gulf Refining Company made application to erect a \$30,000 fire-proof plant on the east side of East street, between Third and Fourth streets. A representative of the firm appeared before the aldermen and explained that the proposed local company was backed by one of the largest oil concerns in the United States and would handle all kinds of oil. With the express understanding that the company comply with all city ordinances, the aldermen granted permission for the erection of the buildings. It is understood that work on the property will begin at once.

At the annual meeting of the directors of the Frederick Baseball Association in Y. M. C. A. Frederick, Friday evening last, Dr. Charles E. Goddell was unanimously re-elected to head the club for the year 1917. The following officers were elected by a unanimous vote:

- President—Dr. Charles F. Goodell. First Vice-President—Martin E. Keffer. Second Vice-President—Dr. James A. Long. Secretary—E. Austin James. Treasurer—Frank K. Schmidt.

The Farmers Exchange, of which James H. Gambrell, Jr., is general manager, has taken over the building in Buckeystown, formerly used by the Buckeystown Manufacturing Company in the manufacture of plows, and will convert it into a grain elevator and warehouse. Workmen are already remodeling the interior and making it ready for use.

As the result of injuries received while burning a paper sack in the kitchen stove, the 3-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. George O. Smith, near Burkittsville, died Saturday. The child stuck the paper in the stove and in a short time was enveloped in flame. The mother, who was nearby, rushed to the kitchen when she heard screams and found the child a mass of flames. She beat out the fire with her hands.

Miss Mary Adelaide Smallwood died last Saturday night of paralysis at the home of the Misses Beckley, Frederick. She was a daughter of the late Cooper and Julia Smallwood. Three brothers survive—Rad Smallwood, Little Rock, Ark.; Charles Smallwood, Chicago, Ill.; and Harry Smallwood, Minneapolis.

Within the next thirty days some thirty-one supervisors of roads—one for each precinct in the county excepting Frederick and Brunswick districts—will be appointed by the county commissioners. The selection of these officials will see the inauguration of a new system of maintaining the county highways and the abolition of an old method which involved the employment of several hundred men for an indefinite period depending upon the time consumed in putting the roads into shape.

W. A. Simpson, who operates the Mountain City Creamery, and a large milk producer of Washington, has made an offer of \$31,000 for the White Cross Milk plant of Frederick. The offer was submitted Tuesday through Attorney Leo Weinberg to the receivers of the plant, Charles McC. Mathias and William L. Browning, and it is an advance of \$3,500 over the offer of \$27,500 made four weeks ago by Borden's Farm Products Division for the same property.

The hearts of 271 children of Frederick were made glad on Friday afternoon when the Empty Stocking Association made its annual distribution of gifts.

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July 3 '10-1y.



Friday.

Plans for New York's largest apartment house, a structure 13 stories high, covering the city block bounded by Lexington and Park avenues and Forty-eighth and Forty-ninth streets, were announced in New York. The building will cost \$4,000,000, and the project including a long lease of the site, will involve a total expenditure of more than \$8,000,000.

Property valued at \$250,000 was destroyed by a fire which burned all the buildings in a block in the business district at Oskaloosa, Ia. A fireman was burned seriously.

Henry J. Dorgelch, formerly assistant cashier in the Coal and Iron National Bank at New York, was sentenced to five years in the Federal Penitentiary at Atlanta. He pleaded guilty of the theft of a check for \$20,847 of bank funds, the check being part of alleged speculations amounting to \$92,000.

William C. Nixon, president of the St. Louis and San Francisco Railroad, died at St. Louis. He was 55 years old.

Joseph T. Miles, author of the song "There'll Be a Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight," died at Santa Rosa, Cal. Miles who was a veteran actor, was known on the stage as Joe Hayden. He was 70 years old.

W. G. Lee, of Cleveland, president of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, publicly announced at Evansville, Ind., for the first time that negotiations are under way between the leaders of the brotherhoods and those higher up in the chambers of the operating departments of the railroads looking to a settlement of their entire controversy out of court before January 1, when the Adamson law is scheduled to go into effect.

Saturday.

Senator Gore, of Washington, introduced a resolution proposing a constitutional amendment to restrict the vote for Presidential electors and members of Congress to native and naturalized citizens. In 10 states aliens who have signified their intention of becoming citizens vote now under certain circumstances.

The auxiliary schooner Daylite, built by the Toledo Shipbuilding Company for the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, left Toledo, Ohio, November 21 for the Atlantic Coast in tow of a tug. Capt. W. S. Armstrong, of New York city, was in command of the crew of 20 men. The Daylite is of steel construction, 261 feet long, 43 feet beam.

After three weeks investigation of the operations of James E. Wetz, self-styled egg king, who is said to have 72,000,000 dozen eggs in Chicago cold storage houses and to be one of four men who are said to control the egg market of the Middle West, Chief Hinton G. Claiborn, of the Bureau of Investigation of the Department of Justice, has reported to United States District Attorney Charles F. Clynne that he has been unable to obtain evidence of conspiracy upon which to base a prosecution. According to the report Wetz operates largely alone and his actions do not come within the scope of the Federal laws.

Nelson Morris, chairman of the board of directors of Morris & Co., Chicago, meat packers, announced a gift of \$175,000 to the pension fund of that company. He stated that the fund to which employes have contributed for years has reached \$909,208. The gift, he said, enabled an increase of 25 per cent. in all pensions.

Charles E. Hughes has been named for the presidency of the New York State Bar Association by the nominating committee of that organization it was announced by the secretary, Frederick E. Wadhams, of Albany, N. Y.

Sunday.

Guided by a tiny electric pocket flashlight which winked intermittently as wave after wave dashed over it, the Spanish liner Buenos Aires, arriving from Cadiz, rescued 11 of the crew of Plo IX, wrecked during a hurricane on December 5, 700 miles off the coast of Spain.

Reports that railroad and brotherhood heads in peace conferences have planned to propose the repeal of the Adamson act, and the substitution of a working agreement of their own making for it, aroused Representative Adamson, author of the law, to declare that Congress would "spank both sides to the controversy, if necessary."

Capt. Daniel M. Lee, Confederate Navy veteran, brother of the late Gen. Fitzhugh Lee and nephew of Gen. Robert E. Lee, died at Fredericksburg at the age of 71 years.

Schwab Buys Ore Mines.

Charles M. Schwab, it became known Tuesday has purchased the Lackawanna Steel Company's interests at Lebanon, Pa., in the Cornwall ore mines, and also the Freeman interests in the Cornwall Railroad, ore mines and furnaces at Cornwall. This gives Mr. Schwab control of the Cornwall ore mines. He

will own outright the American Iron and Steel plants, including the \$2,000,000 steel mill; the twin Lebanon furnaces and concentrator plant and the twin Colebrook furnaces, and will direct, under lease, the Twin Bird Coleman furnaces at Cornwall, the North Cornwall furnace the Cornwall Railroad, and the Freeman interests in the Cornwall mines.

Secretary Baker issued a formal statement assuming full responsibility for the action of the War Department in condemning the Lewis gun.

Automobiles will supplant the picturesque horse-drawn stages in Yellowstone National Park next summer.

President Wilson has sent a check for \$2,500 to Treasurer Marsh, of the Democratic National Committee, as his contribution toward meeting the deficit in the committee's campaign fund.

Thomas Cochran, who arrived in New York virtually penniless 16 years ago, is to become a partner in the firm of J. P. Morgan & Co.

Monday.

Roy A. White of Bayles, Cal., his wife and four children lost their lives in a fire that destroyed the Inter-Ocean Hotel at Cheyenne, Wyo. The bodies of Mrs. White and two sons were found in the ruins. A 9 month baby, rescued by firemen, died from burns.

Weekly conferences between President Wilson and the Washington correspondents were resumed after an interval of more than a year.

Secretary McAdoo notified Congress that he was faced with the necessity of suspending operations at the Philadelphia Mint for a lack of funds and asked for a deficiency appropriation before the holidays to keep the plant going. As Philadelphia makes coinage dies for the San Francisco and Denver Mints the Secretary said suspension at Philadelphia would mean suspension at the other two in the near future.

Secretary of War Baker announced that between 16,000 and 17,000 National Guardsmen, including Maryland Field Hospital Company No. 1 and Maryland First Ambulance Company, had been ordered home. All of them are expected to be at their state camps not later than January 5.

President and Mrs. Wilson celebrated their first wedding anniversary with a motor ride, a family dinner party and a visit to the moving pictures.

The will of John Archbold, president of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, filed for probate at New York divides an estate roughly estimated at about \$20,000,000 among his widow and children, with the exception of a few minor bequests.

New York's municipal Christmas tree which will stand, illuminated, in Madison Square Christmas Eve, and around which on the night of December 26, the official city Yuletide celebration will be held, is 75 feet high, the largest tree the city has had since the custom of municipal Christmas trees was inaugurated several years ago.

Tuesday.

Admiral Fletcher, Commander Frank H. Clark and Rubin B. Bachenaus, civil engineer of the Boston Navy-yard, were appointed by Secretary of the Navy Daniels as a board to select a site for the proposed government armor plate plant.

Former Congress John R. Thayer, one of the best-known Democrats of New England, died from a general breakdown. He was 71 years old and for 50 years had been prominent in politics in Massachusetts. He was elected to Congress from the strong Republican district, the Third Massachusetts, in 1898 and served three terms. He was graduated from Yale in 1869.

Gold to the amount of \$6,500,000, imported from Canada to the account of J. P. Morgan and Company, has been deposited at the Philadelphia Mint, it was announced. The capacity of the New York Assay Office is overtaxed. This makes a total of \$608,500,000 received on the present movement from all sources since January 15.

Jose Maria Barons, Minister of War and Navy, has resigned. Rafael Pino Roca has been appointed to this portfolio.

Henry Binns, inventor of the first successful steam hammer, is dead at his home, 259 Sherman street, Passaic, N. J. He was 77 years old, and was the founder of the Binns Iron and Brass Foundry.

In keeping with their wish that they be executed today instead of Friday, owing to the approach of Christmas, Charles Kumrow, 20 years old, of Buffalo, and Stanley J. Millstein, 19, of Utica, met their death in the electric chair at Sing Sing prison, Ossining, N. Y. Both went to the chair calmly.

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PERSONALS.

Rev. C. O. Rosensteel, of Forest Glen, Md., and Mr. Conley, of Washington, D. C., were guests of Mr. John Rosensteel, Jr., last week.

Miss Eloise Gross, of Peabody Conservatory of Music, Baltimore, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Harry Gross.

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Hardman, of Gettysburg, spent Sunday at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James B. Elder.

Miss Margaret Annan, of Penn Hall, Chambersburg, Pa., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Stewart Annan, Miss Gertrude Rehill, who has been visiting Miss Marguerite Mitchell for several weeks has returned to her home in White Plains, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Brooke Boyle, Misses Marion Hoke and Carrie Rowe and Mr. John Rosensteel, spent Friday, in Frederick.

Mrs. William Sellers has returned from a visit to Baltimore.

Mrs. Codori, Mrs. D. E. Stone and Miss Anne Cordori motored to Gettysburg on Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Stewart Annan spent a few days in Baltimore this week.

Mr. L. E. Motter spent a few days in Baltimore this week.

Mrs. Rowe and Miss Houston, of New York, are visiting in Emmitsburg.

Miss Frances Sweeney left Tuesday for her home in Chicago Ill., where she will spend the holidays.

Miss M. Murphy who spent several weeks here, returned to her home in Baltimore last week.

Mr. Daniel Shorb in visiting in Waynesboro.

Mr. Charles Hopp and son, Mr. Joseph Hopp, of Chicago, Ill., are spending the holidays with Mr. Hopp's father, Mr. Joseph Hopp at "Villa Rest."

Mr. and Mrs. Mahlon Brown, of near Taneytown, made a business trip to Emmitsburg on Wednesday.

Mrs. Louis Dorner and two daughters, of Carlisle, Pa., and Mrs. William Rosensteel and son and daughter, of Baltimore, are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Michael Hoke.

Prof. and Mrs. Ernest Theroux left on Thursday for Clarksburg, W. Va., where they will spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. George Koontz, of near Taneytown, were in Emmitsburg, on Wednesday on business.

Hours For Christmas Services In Local Churches.

The hours for the Christmas services in the various churches in Emmitsburg are as follows:

The Presbyterian church on Sunday morning at 10.30 A. M. The programme is, "Songs of Adoration."

The Lutheran church on Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. The title of the programme is, "The Angels and The Shepherds."

The Reformed Sunday school will be held at 7 o'clock Sunday night. At 6.30 Christmas morning church services will be held. The program of each church service consists of solos, choruses and recitations.

Midnight Mass will be solemnized in St. Joseph's Catholic church, Christmas morning. Masses will also be offered at 7 and 10 o'clock, the latter followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Mr. Michael Hoke wishes to meet all his friends at his Cafe on the evening of December 26. Free lunch will be given.

Mudd Appeals For Annapolis.

Representative Sydney E. Mudd, of the Fifth district at a conference Monday with Secretary of the Navy Daniels urged him to select Annapolis as the site of the \$1,500,000 naval laboratory, authorized at the last session of Congress. The Naval Consulting Board has recommended Annapolis, and Secretary Daniels told Mr. Mudd that he saw no reason why he should change the recommendations of the Edison board, and that he would announce his formal decision shortly.

Mr. Mudd also laid before the Secretary a petition for higher wages for the workmen at the Naval Academy and at the Naval Proving Grounds at Indian Head. He said that, owing to the high cost of living, a 10 per cent. increase to all naval employes, as well as to department workers in Washington, should be made. He urged the Secretary to recommend the increase in the next naval bill.

Community Christmas Tree.

An innovation in local mercantile circles worthy of special commendation is the Community Christmas tree erected in front of their place of business by C. G. Frailey & Company. The tree, a large one beautifully illuminated by many vari-colored lights, has afforded the children of Emmitsburg—grown-ups, too—a great deal of pleasure. It is, indeed, a feature of the uptown business section, and a testimonial to the progressive and liberal spirit of the firm that inaugurated the idea.

500 Party In Honor of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Annan.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Annan, Sr., have issued cards for a Five Hundred party in honor of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Annan, Jr., on Wednesday evening, December 27.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rider on Thursday morning, a son.

Christmas carols will be sung as usual on Main street Christmas eve about 11 o'clock.

Mr. Joseph E. Hoke expects to fill his ice house this week. The ice is very good, clear and thick.

The maximum temperature this week was 40 degrees on Thursday. The minimum was 12 degrees on Saturday.

By common consent the custom established a few years ago—that of keeping residences lighted and shades up on Christmas eve—will be observed this year.

Some good horse flesh was out on Tuesday and all afternoon the town was filled with people interested in the racing on Main street.

Mr. Donald Agnew, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Agnew, who has been critically ill, in Cleveland, Ohio, is much improved.

Today the High and Public schools closed for the Christmas holidays. Studies will be resumed, Tuesday, January 2, 1917.

The pupils of St. Euphemia's School held their Christmas entertainment in St. Euphemia's Hall, this morning at 10 o'clock. A full account of the play will be published in next week's issue.

Mrs. J. Ledlie Gloninger and family who resides at "Valley View" farm, near Emmitsburg, left last Saturday for Crafton, Pa., where they will spend the winter months.

Among the real estate transfers in the county this week was, Alice M. Eyer and husband to Arthur E. Rice and Charles H. Smith, 10 acres, 3 rods and 38 square perches near Emmitsburg \$390.

Several very much appreciated checks were received in this community this week and came in the nature of a Christmas gift, so to say. One was to Charles Landers, one to James Bishop, and one each to their substitutes Joseph R. Hoke and Charles E. Gillelan. These checks represented back pay since 1914, the first two being quite substantial.

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SPECIAL TOWN NOTICE.

Attention is hereby directed to Ordinance No. 136 of the Town of Emmitsburg, providing for the Removal of Snow from the sidewalks. Snow must not be allowed to remain on said sidewalks, pavements or footways for a longer time than two hours (during daylight) after it has ceased to fall. This ordinance carrying fines and penalties will be rigidly enforced.

Signed J. STEWART ANNAN, Burgess.

Reassessment Work In County Near End.

That the reassessment being conducted in Frederick county, and which has been under way for some time, will be completed by January 1, the time originally set for its finish, is the belief of Alford W. Gaver, supervisor of assessments. There are but two exceptions made by Mr. Gaver, and these are Frederick and Brunswick districts, the largest in the county in the point of property owners.

The assessment is required to be completed in 90 days, and this time will be up on January 9. It is planned to have it all finished with the advent of the New Year.

Five districts have already reported to Supervisor Gaver as being complete with their work. They are Buckeystown, Mt. Pleasant, Linganore, Ballenger and Braddock. As there are 26 districts in the county, there are 21 which have to report before December 31, in order to complete the work by the scheduled time of January 1.

In the towns, which are more easily accessible, and where the work is more easily accomplished, the work has been finished as follows: Middletown, Emmitsburg, New Market, Woodsboro, Myersville and Burkittsville.

Supervisor Gaver also stated that six or more districts are on the verge of finishing their work, and are expected to finish at any time. Other assessors are expected to wind up their work shortly, also.

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LEATHERMAN—WILSON.

Armor C. Leatherman, of Harney, and Miss Laura A. Wilson, Mummasburg, were quietly married at the Reformed parsonage, Arendtsville, Sunday afternoon by the Rev. T. C. Hesson. They will reside in Harney.

CHURCH NOTICE

A part of the Christmas exercises will be omitted in the local Methodist church on Sunday, but the general programme will be carried out.

IT MAY BE THAT YOU

are among the number who intended to settle for your subscription and who overlooked the last notice requesting all those who are in arrears to make a settlement.

BRUTE' COUNCIL K. OF C. SELECTS OFFICERS

Prof. E. G. Theroux Is Elected Grand Knight.—Other Officers.

The selection and installation of officers of Brute' Council, Knights of Columbus, of this place, was held Sunday afternoon, December 17, in St. Euphemia's Hall. The following are the officers: Grand Knight, Prof. E. G. Theroux; deputy grand knight, Lous H. Callahan; chancellor, Joseph L. Myers; financial secretary, J. Albert Saffer; recorder John E. Smith; treasurer, J. Ward Kerrigan; advocate, Edward P. Myers; warden, Robert Rider; inside guard, C. Edgar Dukehart; outside guard, Guy J. Topper; board of trustee; Rev. J. O. Hayden, C. M., C. F. Roterig, D. H. Guise; representative to State Convention, Harry S. Boyle; alternate to grand knight, C. C. Roterig; alternate to representative to State Convention, F. Harry Gross. The office of Lecturer was bestowed upon F. Harry Gross.

The installation of officers was under the supervision of District Deputy Harry F. Burkhardt and District Warden Joseph L. Houff, of the Frederick Council. The meeting was attended by Joseph H. Smith, of Baltimore, who delivered a forceful address.

CIVIC LEAGUE.

The regular monthly meeting of the Civic League will be held in the Public School Building, Friday evening, December 29. As the work of the coming year is to be discussed a full attendance is required.

OPERATORS WANTED.

Sewing machine operators wanted to work on gloves; either at home or in factory.

Good wages can be earned by skillful operators. Apply to J. H. Low, Emmitsburg.

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C. G. FRAILEY & CO. CLOSED Monday--X'mas Day

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.

On Thursday and Friday evenings, Dec. 28 and 29, the Tax Collector for the Corporation of Emmitsburg will be at the Office of the Burgess, Spangler Hotel, where persons who have not yet paid their taxes for 1917 may do so, and avoid interest.

Signed, BURGESS and COMMISSIONERS.

Dividend Notice.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors on December 19, 1916, a semi annual dividend of three and one-half per cent. was declared on the Capital Stock of the Emmitsburg Savings Bank, payable on and after January 2, 1917. Checks will be mailed to stockholders on that date. H. M. WARREN FELTZ, Cashier. Dec. 21-2ts.

SPECIAL NOTICE

The Flinch and Five Hundred Benefit for the Library (previously advertised to be held in Wagerman's Hall) will be given in the main drawing room of The New Hotel Slagle, by courtesy of the Slagle management, on Thursday evening, December 28, at 8 o'clock.

CANDIDATE FOR COMMISSIONER.

Mr. Harry C. Harner of A, desires to announce to his friends that he will be a candidate for County Commissioner in the Democratic Primary to be held in September 1917.

TRESPASS WARNING.

All persons are warned against trespassing on my property, "Valley View Farm." A reward of Ten Dollars will be paid for evidence that will lead to the conviction of trespassers. MRS. J. LEDLIE GLONINGER. dec. 22 3m. e-o-w

ELECTION NOTICE.

Emmitsburg, Md., December 8, 1916. The stockholders of the Emmitsburg Savings Bank will meet at their Banking House on the first Tuesday after the 2nd day of January, 1917, between the hours of one and three o'clock, P. M., for the purpose of electing directors for the Emmitsburg Savings Bank of Frederick County, to manage the affairs of the bank for the ensuing year. The books for the transferring of stock will be closed on the twentieth day of December, to remain so until after the election. H. M. WARREN FELTZ, Cashier. Dec 8-4ts.

NOTICE.

On Saturday, Dec. 30, 1916, at 12 o'clock there will be a Shooting match at the residence of Geo. Warren, near the Tract school house. Turkeys, ducks, geese and pigs will be awarded to the best shooters. ELMER L. WARREN, Manager. dec. 15-2ts.

TRESPASS NOTICE

No hunting, trapping or trespassing with dog or gun will be allowed on my property. Offenders will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. nov. 10-tf. E. J. FITZGERALD.

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**ACROSS THE LINE**

Captain Frank Lee Graham, a retired United States Army officer, assigned by the War Department to duty at Gettysburg college as professor of military science and tactics, appeared before the student body last week at chapel exercises and great enthusiasm greeted the announcement that immediately after the Christmas holidays, he would take up the work of drilling the volunteer battalion of almost 200 college and academy boys.

After being without food for 42 days Anna Jamison, 13 years old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Levi Jamison, Spring Grove, Pa., died last Friday. Death was caused by starvation. A neurotic condition 42 days ago caused the girl's jaws to lock, and physicians were unable to get any food into her body. Many doctors in this section of the state and other persons marveled at the fact that the girl lived so long without food.

Rev. H. H. Weber, D. D., general secretary of the board of church extension of the General Synod of the United States, and pastors of various denominations from Abbottstown, Spring Grove, Hanover and Gettysburg, took part in the dedication of a new Sunday School chapel at Maple Grove, near Abbottstown, on Sunday last.

The chapel was built as the result of a community movement among Lutherans, and members of the Reformed, United Brethren and other denominations to have a building to use for Sunday School sessions and as a place of worship. For 50 years Sunday School has been conducted in the public school at Maple Grove. Christians responsible for this Sunday School started the movement to build the chapel which was dedicated Sunday in the presence of a congregation of 300 people.

The cost of building the chapel was \$2,000 and when the building was completed there remained an indebtedness of \$500. At the dedicatory services Dr. Weber raised \$700 to pay the indebtedness and for other purposes.

Fire of unknown origin on last Thursday destroyed the saw and planing mill, near Dillsburg, belonging to George Yost, causing a loss estimated at \$3,000, and sparks from the mill fire ignited the barn on the farm of Jacob Dutry, causing its destruction, together with a hog stable and chicken house adjoining, the loss on the latter structures being about \$500.

Jesse Thompson brought to Waynesboro last Saturday afternoon the eighth big deer shot by the members of the Monterey Hunting Club this season. The club broke camp Saturday morning. Members of the club who shot a deer were Charles D. Englar and William Sheldon, Waynesboro; William E. Harbaugh, Buena Vista Springs; Harvey Fitz, Blue Ridge Summit; Clarence Hollinger, Shady Grove; David Sanders and John Sanders, Rouzerville, and Isaac Lentz, Orrtanna. The largest deer was shot by Mr. Englar, while Isaac Lentz killed the spike. The club holds the belt for the season in this territory.

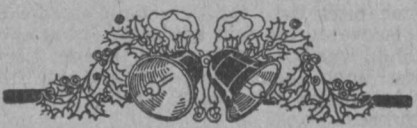
The Rouzerville Hunting Club passed through Waynesboro Friday afternoon on the way to Rouzerville. It had four deer on the automobile truck. These were brought down by George Overcash, Frank Creps, Clarence Stoops and John Sheldon.

It is estimated that a total of 178 bucks were killed in the South Mountain this season, which is over 100 short of last year's kill of 293. Many wounded deer got away. Some of these had one of their legs shot off, while others had parts of their shoulder and breasts torn away.

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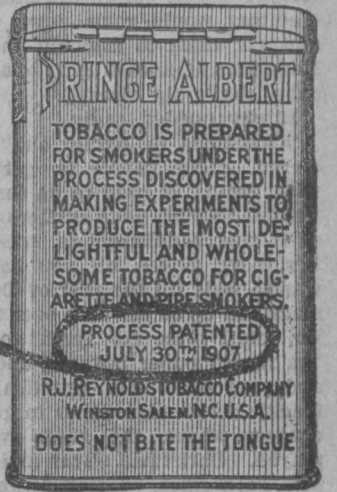
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**FRANKLINVILLE NEWS.**

Miss Ada Crouse and Miss Mabel Myers, of Thurmont, visited at the home of Mrs. William Dewees on Thursday.

The Public School at this place rendered its Christmas exercises on Thursday evening, December 21.

Master Howard Dewees is on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyce and children, of Newark, Del., are visiting at the home of Mrs. and Mrs. Charles Addison.

We all join in wishing one and all a Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year.

Mr. Roy Baker was on the sick last week.

Mr. Earnest Wilhide is still improving.

**LOYS AND VICINITY.**

Mr. Harvey M. Pittenger and brother were visitors to Thurmont on Thursday evening.

Those who spent Sunday with Mr. Clarence R. Moser were: Messrs. Clarence and Harvey Pittenger, of Loys, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Wood and three daughters, Mrs. Upton Mehning and Miss Mary Mehning and friend, of Rocky Ridge.

Mr. Harvey M. Pittenger was a visitor to Woodsboro one day this week.

Mr. Harvey M. Pittenger visited in Thurmont one day this week.

We wish the CHRONICLE and everybody a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

**Eyler's Valley Happenings.**

Mr. Eugene McKissick spent Sunday evening with Mr. William Rodgers.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Eyler and children spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Rockford Working.

Miss L. Ruth Miller spent Wednesday with Miss Mary M. McKissick.

Mr. Sheridan McKissick made a business trip to Emmitsburg Monday.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Rockford Working on Friday evening.

There will be a Christmas entertainment held in the Eyler's Valley U. B. Church, Dec. 27, 1916 at 7.30 o'clock. All are invited to come.

Misses Mary M. McKissick, L. Ruth Miller and Mr. William Miller made a business trip to Emmitsburg, Wednesday.

**NEWS FROM THE TRACT**

Mrs. I. N. Warren has returned home after spending two weeks with her sons, George and William Warren.

Mr. George Heagy, of near Round Top, visited Elmer Warren several days the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Overholzer, spent Thursday with their son, Lewis.

Mrs. Mary Bell spent Friday with Miss Ida Zimmerman.

Mrs. Ruth Eyler returned home from the Frederick City Hospital on Saturday where she had been for the last four weeks.

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**FROM ALL PARTS OF COMPASS.**

(Continued from page 5.)

**Wednesday.**

Dr. George Ben Johnston, one of the South's noted surgeons and gynecologists, died suddenly at his home in Richmond, Va. He was 63 years old.

Attempts to obtain action on the Adamson resolution to extend the life of the Newlands railroad committee, now investigating all phases of the railway situation, until January 7, 1918, were abandoned until after the holiday recess of Congress.

Judge W. W. Lambdin, of the United States District Court, died at Savannah, Ga., in his office after an illness of about an hour.

The Agriculture Appropriation bill, carrying about \$25,500,000 was completed by the House Agriculture Committee. It will be acted on in the House after the holiday recess.

A charter was filed at Dover, Del., at the State Department, for the Consolidated Mineral Company, of Northeast, Md., to manufacture and deal in, and with clay products and kindred minerals. G. K. Hack, James B. Russell, Frank L. Russell and Edwin T. Russell, all of North East, Md., are the incorporators. The capital is \$2,000,000.

**Thursday.**

Rev. Dr. John L. Deering, widely known through his 25 years of Baptist missionary work in Japan, is dead at Clifton Springs, N. Y.

Archbishop Jeremiah J. Hartz was installed as Bishop of Omaha at St. Cecilia's Cathedral at Omaha, Neb.

Damage of over \$250,000 resulted when a fire destroyed the J. N. Eur Sons department store, the Brown & Hamilton department store, the Knox block, the Woolworth 5 and 10-cent store and the J. W. Knox grocery, at New Castle, Pa. Four firemen were injured.

A score of persons were seriously injured and more than 200 less seriously hurt when an Ardmore street car crashed into the trailer of another car at Edgewood Acres, Pittsburgh, Pa.

**THURMONT NEWS.**

Mrs. S. M. Birely and daughter, Mrs. G. R. Palmer, spent several days last week at the home of Mr. R. L. Koons, of Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. George N. English left last Sunday for Dayton, Ohio, where they will visit at the home of Mrs. Elmer Clem, a sister of Mrs. English and other relatives. They expect to be absent about six weeks.

Mrs. O. A. Shipley and little daughter Eunice, of Baltimore, have returned to their home after spending a week with Mrs. Shipley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Freeze, and her sister, Mrs. A. O. Zimmerman, of Graceham.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Byron Nicodemus and daughter Jeanette, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. James Shriver, of Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Boyce and children, of Newark, Del., have returned to their home after spending a week with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Addison.

**STATE CONDENSED.**

(Continued from page 4.)

ment of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. Local and out-of-town capital will be invested in the enterprise, and George A. Whiting, of Baltimore will be president of the new Company. The plant will be located adjacent to the plants of Standard Acid Works and the Republic Distilling Company, and will be served by direct side-track connections from the Baltimore and Ohio. The buildings will represent an investment of more than \$100,000 and will be of concrete construction.

Frank J. McMahon, one of the best-known men in Maryland, for four years state mine inspector for Allegany and Garrett counties, a close personal friend of nearly every governor of Maryland since Frank Brown's administration and a regular attendant at the sessions of the legislature for the last 43 years, died Tuesday after an illness of several months at the home of his daughter, Mrs. William M. Kelly, Cumberland Md., where he has been making his home for several years.

The Pennsylvania Fisheries Department has recommended that W. D. Byron and Sons, who conduct tanneries at Williamsport, Md., and Mercersburg, Pa., be prosecuted for failure to install proper filtration plants to prevent contamination of the Conococheague Creek. The firm alleges that Fish Commissioner Buller has unreasonably endeavored to compel them to install a filtration system that would cost approximately \$270,000, which they think is prohibitive.

Fire, which started Tuesday night destroyed the mattress and bedding factory of M. Nathan, at Cambridge, Md. The loss is between \$5,000 and \$6,000.

The contract for the erection of the superstructure of the new Baltimore and Ohio Railroad pier at Locust Point, amounting to \$450,000, has been awarded to Edward Brady & Sons of Baltimore. The amount of the contract for the superstructure alone gives an idea of the size of the pier which the Baltimore and Ohio is now building. It is this pier which is to be used by the proposed \$15,000,000 South American steamship line. It will be when completed, not only the largest pier in Baltimore, but one of the largest on the Atlantic Coast.

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Christmas Is Dying Out, Say Birsky and Zapp

"And Who Done It? The Fellow That Invented the Saying: 'Do Your Shopping Early.'"

Now Everybody Buys Presents Out of Season and Holiday Sales of "Sticker" Goods Are Doomed.

By MONTAGUE GLASS

Illustrations by BRIGGS



CHRISTMAS ain't what it used to be," Barnett Zapp remarked, as he sat opposite Louis Birsky in Wasserbauer's restaurant.

"Still, in a way, it's a good thing that Christmas is more or less a thing of the past," Zapp said, "because when you tried to collect a bill from somebody around Christmas time, it didn't make no difference if he was retired from business except for a 10 per cent interest in a bathing suit factory, he would want you to wait till his Christmas rush was over. Also people didn't give no orders because it was around Christmas, Birsky, and just because it was near Christmas and they claimed they could use all the money they could get, your creditors wanted you to pay bills which you hardly knew you owed on account of not receiving the second monthly statement yet. Furthermore if you owned a tenement house, you'd get difficulty collecting the November rent because the tenants said it was so near Christmas, and that's the way it went, Birsky. People treated Christmas not as a holiday, but as an excuse. The wonder is it ain't died out altogether."

"Former times if a retail dry-goods concern didn't get half their salesladies faint on 'em every night for two weeks before Christmas, their creditors would come down on them and ask them to discount their bills. Nowadays if a cash girl gets a headache, that's big already."

"Christmas is dying out," he declared. "The people is getting too wise, Zapp. It used to be that if you wanted to push your stickers—whether it was handkerchiefs, socks, neckties, oder gloves, all you had to do was to wait till the first of December, mark 'em up 50 per cent over the regular retail price for fresh goods, put 'em in red paper boxes, y'understand, and your customers practically used blackjacks on each other to get at the counter where the goods was displayed. Christmas silver articles was also good sales. I seen butter dishes go like hot cakes, which the salesladies was warned not to dust them off mit feathers even, on account it might scratch the silver plate and show the brass underneath. But that's a thing of the past now. And who done it, Birsky nodded sadly.

"The wholesaler wouldn't miss it if it did," Birsky commented. "Believe me, Zapp, for every child that lays awake the night before Christmas thinking what his parents are going to hand him the next morning, there is fifty manufacturers counting sheep jumping over fences, trying not to think what some of their customers in the retail drygoods trade is going to hand them after the second of January. It don't require much water to drown a shaky drygoods retailer. He can sink like a stone in two days' rain during the week before Christmas."

"Don't I know it?" Zapp said. "If the Christmas presents that the wholesalers give by mistake to shaky retail drygoods men was put on trees the

of July, all the frankfurter factories and trolley companies go quick me-chullah."

"Aber, what's that got to do with Christmas?" Birsky asked.

"I'm coming to that," Zapp said. "People are commencing to figure averages on Christmas also. Take Miss J. P. Morgan, and she figures that out of every million Christmas presents displayed in stores a certain percentage of people buys something which they couldn't afford and gives it to a certain percentage of people which ain't got no use for it at all. So she goes to work and gets up a Society for the Prevention of Useless Giving, and consequently a certain percentage of dry-goods stores loses a certain percentage of customers which formerly had a rotten bank account and a good disposition, and has now got a good bank account and a rotten disposition."

"But Miss Morgan done this for a lot of salesladies which used to spend their money so foolishly at Christmas, Zapp, that they had nothing left to take a vacation with in the summer time."

"That may be so, Birsky," Zapp said, "and while I ain't exactly a certified



"Gets Magensaur From Eating Frankfurters."

public accountant, Birsky, I figure that if 90 per cent of Christmas shoppers followed Miss Morgan's advice, Birsky, the drygoods stores would shut down around Christmas, and all them salesladies would not only take a vacation in the summer time, but in the winter time also; and then the question is, how is them salesladies going to raise money for their winter vacations?"

"Miss Morgan would get up a subscription maybe," Birsky suggested. "And the proceeds after the expenses of collection were deducted would support twenty-three six hundredths of a saleslady for 6,008 hours, Birsky," Zapp concluded, "which the trouble with them people that figure out the averages is that they don't consider human beings as men and women, but as fractions ausgereckoned to hundred thousandths yet. Also it's a good thing to figure out the averages on the percentages of people that set off fireworks and don't get burned, and the percentage of people that it wouldn't do a bit of harm to if they bought once in a while for somebody a present, useful or otherwise. In other words, Birsky, if you're going to reckon up the averages on anything, the best way is to figure how it will affect one hundred one hundredths of the people twelve months out of the year, and then go to work and get up the Society for the Prevention of Prevention Societies and limit the membership to one hundred million Americans. Most of us would join it."

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ORDER NISI ON SALES.

In the Orphans' Court of Frederick County, Md., DECEMBER TERM, 1916.

In the Matter of the Sale of the Real Estate of BENJAMIN HOBBS, Deceased.

ORDERED, by the Orphans' Court of Frederick County, this 14th day of December 1916, that the sale of Real Estate of BENJAMIN HOBBS, late of Frederick County, deceased, this day reported to this Court by his Executor be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary be shown on or before the 6th day of January, 1917, provided a copy of this Order be published in some newspaper published in Frederick County for three successive weeks prior to the 6th day of January 1917.

The Executor's report states the Amount of Sales to be Thirty-nine Hundred dollars (\$3,900.)

Dated this 14th day of December 1916.

CHARLES H. BUTTS, GEO. EDW. SMITH, JOHN L. S. ALDRIDGE, Judges of the Orphans' Court.

True Copy—Test: ALBERT M. PATTERSON, Register of Wills.

Harry Hobbs, Executor. Dec. 15 4ts.

ORDER NISI ON SALES

NO. 9520 EQUITY.

In the Circuit Court for Frederick County sitting in Equity.

NOVEMBER TERM, 1916. In the Matter of the Report of Sales, Filed the 13th day of December, 1916.

D. E. Stone, Jr., et al., vs. Annie Hahn, et al.

Ordered, That on the 6th day of January, 1917, the Court will proceed to act upon the Report of Sales of Real Estate, reported to said Court by Guy K. Motter and George R. Dennis, Jr., Trustees in the above cause, and filed therein as aforesaid, to finally ratify and confirm the same, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown before said day; provided a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper published in Frederick County for three successive weeks prior to said day.

The report states the amount of sales to be \$450.00.

Dated this 14th day of December 1916.

ELI G. HAUGH, Clerk of the Circuit Court for Frederick County.

True Copy, Test: ELI G. HAUGH, Clerk. Guy K. Motter, Solr. dec. 15 4ts

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

This is to give notice that the subscriber, Harry E. Elder, hath obtained from the Orphans' Court of Frederick County, in the State of Maryland, letters of administration on the personal estate of

SOPHIA NEAL, late of Frederick County, Maryland, deceased. All persons having claims against the deceased are warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, legally authenticated, to the subscriber, on or before the date

AUGUST 17th, 1917 they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

Given under my hand this 7th day of December in the year 1916.

HARRY E. ELDER, Administrator. dec. 15 5ts

Order of Publication.

Gladys B. Orr, vs. Clarence E. Orr. No. 9543 Equity. In Equity.

The object of this Bill is to procure a divorce a vinculo matrimonii by the plaintiff Gladys B. Orr from the defendant Clarence E. Orr. The Bill states in substance that the parties were married June 7th, 1913 by the Rev. H. O. Keene; that the plaintiff is a resident of Frederick County, State of Maryland and has so resided all her life; that the defendant Clarence E. Orr is a non resident of the State of Maryland, but now resides in the State of Florida; that the defendant Clarence E. Orr has committed the crime of adultery with divers lewd women at the City of Baltimore, between the first day of August 1914 and the filing of the plaintiff's bill; that the plaintiff has not lived with nor cohabited with the defendant since she discovered his said adulteries; that one child was born from said marriage, Lois Orr aged about two years, and the Bill also prays for general relief and for process.

It is thereupon this 20th day of November, A. D. 1916 by the Circuit Court for Frederick County, in Equity, ordered that the plaintiff give notice to the said adult non resident defendant Clarence E. Orr of the object and substance of said bill by causing a copy of this order to be inserted in some newspaper published in Frederick County Maryland, once a week for four successive weeks prior to the 23rd day of December, A. D. 1916, warning him to be and appear in said Court, in person or by solicitor, on or before the 8th day of January, A. D. 1917 and show cause, if any he has, why a decree ought not to pass as prayed.

ELI G. HAUGH, Clerk of the Circuit Court for Frederick County.

RENO S. HARP, Solicitor. True Copy Test: ELI G. HAUGH, Clerk. Filed November 20, 1916. nov. 24 5ts.

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"People Treated Christmas Not as a Holiday, but as an Excuse."

Zapp? It was the fellow that invented the saying: 'Do your Christmas shopping early.'"

"Who did invent it?" Zapp asked.

"I should know who invented it!" Birsky exclaimed. "But whoever he was, Zapp, he put a bigger crimp in the cheap handkerchief business than the fellow who invented rhinitis tablets, because if you are doing your Christmas shopping around the first of October when all them poor fellers that runs summer hotels and bathing pavilions is saying to themselves: 'Now it gets warm,' Zapp, handkerchiefs for colds are the furthest from your thoughts. Also children whose mothers do their Christmas shopping in September is apt to get school supplies

way other Christmas presents are, they would cover all the redwood groves in California. But it ain't the retailers' fault, Birsky. Sometimes the feller is playing in hard luck like a merchant like I used to sell goods to by the name Felix Immerglick out in Cincinnati, which a couple of years ago last Christmas he specialized on sleighs, skates and cheap furs, and from December 15 on they got such a warm spell in Cincinnati that the hotel keepers figured should they or should they not open the roof gardens again. So the following year Immerglick cut out the sleighs and skates and laid in bicycles, children's books and a very attractive line of umbrellas, and Immerglick says that it's a wonder with his luck he didn't also buy stock in a chain of artificial ice factories, because on the day he received the goods in November the thermometer goes down to zero on him and stays that way till a week after his next spring millinery opening. Can you blame such a feller that he settles with his creditors 30 cents on the dollar?"

"Listen, Zapp," Birsky said, "a 30-cent-on-the-dollar feller could always pin his bust-up on either a warm Christmas, a cold Easter or an invalid wife, whereas the figures show that the average of real cold Christmases ain't no more than the average of real sick wives."

"Sure I know, Birsky, but figuring out the average is what has done the most harm to poker, pinocchie, the Fourth of July, Christmas and all them things that former time people enjoyed running chances on. Take, for instance, the Fourth of July, and a lot of people which considers even safety matches gefahrlich goes to work and figures that out of every million people that shoots off fre crackers, one and seven hundred and fifty-two one thousandths people gets burned, so they put the fireworks manufacturers out of business, and now instead of setting off fireworks people goes to the shore or trolley parks on the Fourth; and as soon as it gets figured out that of every million people that goes to trolley parks and Coney Island, six and ninety-seven three-thousandths gets Magensaur from eating frankfurters and run over by trolley cars on the Fourth



"Thinking What His Parents Are Going to Hand Him Next Morning."

instead of sleighs, because a shopper ain't got no imagination, Zapp. She buys what's in season, and if she was doing her Christmas shopping as early as the Fourth of July, y'understand, she would come home with fireworks."

"Say," Zapp said, flipping the fingers of his right hand at Birsky, "storekeepers ain't allowed to sell no more fireworks around the Fourth of July. It's against the law."

"I know it," Birsky continued, "and if people couldn't shoot off fre crackers around the Fourth of July and couldn't shop around Christmas, all it needs is that it should be a suspended sentence for eating turkey on Thanksgiving, and the only pleasure we got left in Amer-