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HALLELUJAH, HALLELUJAH



Child Jesus comes from heavenly height

To save us from sin's keeping.
On manger straw, in darkness night,
The Blessed One lies sleeping.
The star smiles down, the Angels greet,
The Oxen kiss the Baby's feet,
Hallelujah, hallelujah,
Child Jesus!

Take courage, soul in grief cast down;
Forget the bitter dealing.
A Child is born in David's town
To touch all souls with healing.
Then let us go and seek the Child,
Children like him, meek, undefiled,
Hallelujah, hallelujah,
Child Jesus!

—Hans Christian Andersen.

Carrying the "Star of Bethlehem"

THE Star of Bethlehem as seen in Holland is a pretty, but a cheap sight, for it costs nothing. 'Tis the harbinger of Christmas, a huge illuminated star, which is carried through the silent, dark Dutch streets, shining upon the crowding people and typical of the star which once guided the wise men of the East.

The young men of a Dutch town who go to the expense of this star, which is carried through the streets as a signal that Christmas has come once again, are swayed by the full intention of turning the Star of Bethlehem to account.

They gather money from the crowds for the poor, and, having done this for the good of those whom fortune has not befriended, they betake them to the head burgomaster of the town, who is bound to set down the youths who form the star company to a very comfortable meal. 'Tis a great institution, the Star of Bethlehem, in many Dutch towns and cities. And may it never die out, for it does harm to no man and good to many.

Throughout the colonies in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries toys were an almost unknown factor, but wherever Christmas observances were not frowned upon by religion feasting and good cheer were abundant, and rich and poor, old and young, shared in the games, abundant food and genial atmosphere. In the eighteenth century toys began to make their appearance in the colonies. Some of them were brought from overseas and had the enchanting quality of novelty. Little girls who had helped to mother their younger brothers and sisters were delighted with dolls that were all their own, to fondle and cuddle. A toy was a thing to be cherished in those days.

—Churchman.

They never have any "white" Christmas on Christmas island. The thermometer never falls below 70 and never rises above 90 in the shade. Christmas island lies about 250 miles southeast of the western extremity of Java. It is in the Indian ocean and belongs to Great Britain, having been annexed in 1888. This interesting little bit of land in midsea appears to have been originally a coral reef, which by volcanic forces has been raised so high that at its highest point it sticks out of the water 1,600 feet. In shape it is an irregular quadrilateral. It has an area of about twenty square miles.



IN a place built, like Bethlehem, in many cases against the soft limestone rock it often happens that the existence of a cave where the house was to be was a great attraction since it offered a ready made, dry, above ground cellar as well as a specially suitable spot for the household animals and for a storeroom. It would seem that Joseph was at last able to get room in some such back portion of a house, and there, we are told, Mary bore her divine Son.

A cave below the high altar of the Church of the Nativity is now shown as the very place where this august event transpired; a little recess, shaped like a clam shell, its floor of marble wrought into a star in the center, bearing in Latin the words, "Here Jesus Christ Was Born of the Virgin Mary." A row of lamps hangs round the outer edge, the right to attend to them being a jealously watched matter, each of the ancient churches, the Greek, the Latin, the Armenian and the Coptic, having one or more of these under its care.

The evidence for this site is so strong that most persons accept it as sufficient, reaching up, as it does, to within living memory of the days of the apostles. But even if this be an illusion the fact remains that in this petty village the Saviour of the world was made man for our redemption. No wonder that we read of the anthem of the angels, for surely nothing could draw forth the interest of the heavenly population like the exceeding grace God was showing to sinful man.

The scene of the visit of the shepherds is pointed out as on a rough slope, facing the village, at some distance to the east, Bethlehem lying far above on its mountain seat. One can follow the shepherds in their journey to see the unspeakable wonder. They would go along the rich valley of Boaz and then up the terraced hill by a path still in use, nor is it uninteresting to reflect that, while simple shepherds were led by angels to the manger, the high priest and the great of Jerusalem, so near, slept through that most illustrious night of all history, quite unconscious of what had happened. But we know of it, and may God grant that if we cannot go with the shepherds to Bethlehem we may one day go to the right hand of God and worship him there, who that night lay a little child in Mary's arms.—Dr. Cunningham Geikie.

A Christmas Prayer

By
Very Rev. Michael J. Lavelle

SAVIOUR of the world, humbly and lovingly we greet thee, this Christmas morning, thanking thee for all the blessings brought by thy coming and asking the grace that we and all mankind may appreciate them better and make them more truly our own with every year that passes by. Make us faithful, noble, industrious, temperate, sincere. Send forth thy spirit that we may be recreated and the face of the earth may be renewed. Make us able to sing with the angels, "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to men of good will."—New York World.

Forerunner of Christmas.

The spirit of merrymaking that marks our Christmas holidays has its origin with the Roman feast called the Saturnalia. This was a festival in honor of Saturn, father of the gods. It lasted for a week or two, beginning about the 19th of December, and was the occasion for great revelry among all classes.



The Season Of Peace Christmas Observance

THE whole air at the first Christmas was tremulous with joy. It was a time for holy song, for inspired psalm, for seraphic song. Let joy come still to our homes and hearts. Christ gives a brightness and beauty, gladness and glory, to the whole circle of life and duty. Come, Lord Jesus! There shall be room for three in our homes. Once there was none in the inn, but only in the stable. Now our best is thine. Only honor us with thy beneficent presence.

Let us away with strife at this season. Now is the time to speak kindly words. Let us not carry into the new year the enmities of the old. Let not the harsh notes of contention come into the heavenly song of peace.

Christ came to give peace, and from heaven's throne today he bends to give peace to all who trust him. He was the only person ever born into the world who had his choice as to how he should come. He might have come man, as did the first Adam. He came a babe. He inserted himself into our race at its lowest and weakest point. If he were to lift the race he must get under it. He glorified the cradle; he glorified boyhood; he sanctified motherhood.

But Christ must be born in each heart in order that we may have a true Christmas. Are we rejoicing in the gifts of human love? Shall we be mindful of him who is the "unspeakable gift"?—Rev. Dr. Robert S. MacArthur in Homiletic Review.

Date of the Birth of Christ.

"In looking through a reference book I find the birth of Jesus Christ took place in the year 4 B. C. How could it possibly be?" asked a correspondent of the Philadelphia Press.

To which the reply was made: "The attempt to date things forward and backward from the birth of Christ was first made in 533 A. D. by a Roman abbot, Dionysius Exiguus. He regarded Christ's birth as taking place in the year 754 after the founding of Rome. Early Christians had put it in the year of Rome 750.

"The abbot's belated attempt to date things from Christ's birth was probably inaccurate, and the proper definition of the Christian era is that it begins with January 1 in the fourth year of the one hundred and ninety-fourth Olympiad and the seven hundred and fifty-third from the founding of Rome. "According to the latest computation, Christ was born in the year 6 B. C. or the year 7 B. C."

SACRED MISTLETOE.

The druids with ceremonies of great solemnity used to collect mistletoe with a golden sickle against the festival of winter solstice. Only the oaks bearing mistletoe were sacred to this ancient order of men.

THERE is very little of the right motive in commemorating the birth of Jesus the Savior. The spirit of the modern Christmas is to have a good old time, feasting and business activity, with the Holy Child Jesus a figurehead.

Such is a very great offense to Almighty God. An offering to God in the spirit of righteousness, by humility, worship, mortification, in self denial and good works, should be the first duty in celebrating Christmas.

Really a number of hours similar to Lent ought to be considered, after which would come the feast and rejoicing.

Respectful thankfulness to the Lord God of Hosts for his love and pity for a sinful race in his priceless gift of a Savior—such would be a fitting grace before partaking of the good things and many blessings that he has been pleased to bestow on all people. What would a person think in giving a reception and supper to have the guests hasten to the dining hall and devour the food without giving the honor and respect due to the host first? Almighty God is treated in a similar manner in celebrating the modern Christmas.—George Cashel in Philadelphia Press.

First Christmas Celebration.

The birth of Christ was not originally observed at this time of the year. It was not until nearly 100 years after his death that there was any attempt at a celebration of the event at all, and then for 300 years or more it was celebrated at various times in the year by the Christians in different parts of the world. Some chose the 1st and some the 6th of January, others the 29th of March, the time of the Jewish passover, while still others observed the day on the 29th of September, the feast of the tabernacles. The 19th of April and the 20th of May were also kept as the birthday of Christ. By the fifth century, however the 25th of December was the day generally adopted.—Pittsburgh Dispatch.

To Make a True Christmas.

Don't forget the lonely, the suffering, the poor, on Christmas. Remember that the first and greatest Christmas gift was sent not to the rich and powerful, but to the poor and needy. Give to those who are near and dear to you, but somewhere, somehow, in your ordinary life find some one who is near and dear to no one else and make Christmas for him or her.

CHRISTMAS CHILDHOOD.

"Suffer little children to come." Lo, they have come. And the music of their child voices! The concert of the morning stars, what were they to the natural untrained melody of innocent childhood in its joyous expectations?



WHAT an interest centered in that babe, wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger at Bethlehem! Prophets were interested, angels were interested, the ages have been most deeply interested since. The shepherds had perhaps some premonition. The seventy weeks of Daniel's prophecy were about fulfilled. It may be at that very time they were talking of the coming of Christ.

Suddenly their attention was arrested by a strange sight in the heavens. It grew brighter and took the form of an angel, and then they heard a voice announcing the birth of Christ as glad tidings for all people, not to the Jews only. Then suddenly the air was filled with angels singing as if they had come right out from the air.

We know not their wonderful song, but part came to mortal ears, "Glory to God in the highest," etc. We know not who those angels were, but we fancy they were the redeemed. Adam was there; Eve was there. Eve, who in her maternal earnestness declared at the birth of her firstborn, "I have got a man from the Lord," hoping that that was he who should bruise the serpent's head. Now, in the fullness of time she had come to witness the birth of the babe who was to be the Saviour of her race. David, Elijah, Moses, the patriarchs, we believe, were with the heavenly host.

This song reveals three things: First.—The glorification of God through the incarnation. God has glory through his vast work in nature, his providence building up and casting down nations, etc.

In the incarnation there was special glory. It was glory to God in the highest—highest, in that it was above all other glory, in that it extended to all time and in that it wrought such wondrous good.

Second.—The great results to the earth. It would result in peace. Strifes, thorns and thistles were abounding. The earth was torn and bleeding by constant contention. With Christ came peace. The result would be universal peace.

Third.—The effect on the individual man. "Good will toward men," from one another, from God. Out of this good will would finally spring peace on earth and glory to God in the highest.—Dr. Matthew Simpson.

A Christmas Blessing

By
Rev. Dr. Howard Buffield

MAY the blessing of the light that shown at midnight come to the hearts that are shadowed and the homes that are dark.

May the blessing of the Manger Cradle come to that innumerable company against whom the doors of hope and peace and rest are shut.

May the blessing of the Holy Child come to every one who has forgotten that thou, O God, art his father and that all men are brothers.

May the blessing of the Guiding star come to those who wander in the night and cannot find the homeward way.

May the blessing of the Stable come upon all hearts, wakening a kindly sense of kindred with every living thing that walks the field and forest or wings the air or passes along the paths of the seas.—New York World.

The Sweetest of All.

Christmas is a jolly day, but let us not forget that it is Christ's birthday, and that to make someone else happy is the sweetest thing of all.

O CHRIST THE CHILD



You little children in whose eyes
The undimmed light of heaven
glows,
Whose dreams are bright of paradise,
Whose thoughts are whiter than the
snows,
From holy lips and undefiled
Breathe your soft prayers like Christ
the Child.
And you whose thinning locks are
spent
With unreturning autumn's rime,
Whose forms, like wind worn trees,
are bent
Beneath the heavy storms of time.
Take Christ the Child to be your
guide
Past the dim shoal where shadows
bide.
Oh, saving hands; oh, thou that hears
An earthly mother's lullabies,
Who sharest all our doubts and fears,
Whose bosom trembles to our sighs,
Teach us thy gospel pure and mild!
Make us like thee, O Christ the Child!
—New York Tribune.

The Three Wise Men

ONE Christmas mystery remains unsolved. Who were the wise men of the East—the magi who followed the star of Bethlehem from afar to do homage to the new-born Saviour?

It is fair to assume from the fact that the visitors were received at court by King Herod and that they carried gifts of value that they were in their own country men of royalty or close to it. Herod evidently deemed it well to treat them with deference, for disquieted though he was to lead them to the birthplace of the Redeemer he dissembled and told them that when they had found the new born he would return to worship with them.

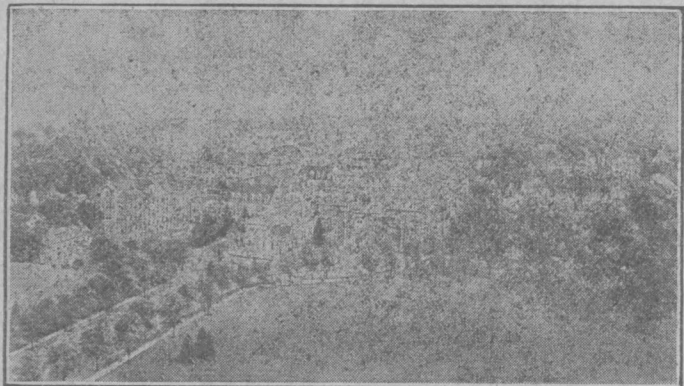
Much of our information about the early days of the Christian era comes from the monks of the fourteenth century, who delved deeply into historical sources since lost to the world. Their story of the three wise men has received wide credence. According to these monks, the wise men were three great kings called Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar. Caspar was the oldest and from the North. At the time of the birth of Christ he was sixty years old, and for more than two-thirds of that time he had ruled in Arabia. Balthasar was black, a native of Saba, from the East, and forty years old. The youngest was Melchior, from the South, whose country was Tarshish. He was twenty years old.

Impelled by some mysterious power, they dropped all the cares of the state and followed a single star thirteen days and nights, without eating or sleeping, till it led them to Jerusalem. Then the story follows that of the Bible until they returned to their own countries.

The story does not stop here. It tells circumstantially the after life of the three wise men. The good Apostle St. Thomas journeyed to their country and baptized them, and all three went out to preach the doctrine of the Christ. They were slain by barbarous gentiles, and later the Empress Helena, mother of Constantine, recovered their sacred bones and took them to Constantinople. Thence they were carried to Milan and finally found an ultimate resting place in Cologne, where they now are.—New York Post.

Happy is the man or woman who, having left behind the schooldays and the home gatherings, still sings the old hymns and joins in the readings of the Christmas chapters in some simple church service designed to perpetuate the true spirit of the day.

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE--ACADEMY



Valley Echoes

St. Joseph's contributed eleven members to the Red Cross Christmas Campaign.

Owing to the absence of several of the cast, the Christmas Play has been postponed until after the holidays.

Be on the lookout for "Christmas at the Convent" which will shortly appear under "Valley Echoes" for the delight of our readers.

Miss Mary A. Rodgers, '15, Baltimore spent the week-end with her St. Joseph's friend, Mrs. Theo Brown Herrie, Washington, D. C.

Doubtless the students will, by contrast, enjoy the coming holidays with extra appreciation as this last week of class has been taken up with the quarterly examinations.

Miss Caroline C. O'Gorman, '16, who has been at St. Joseph's since the retreat, left Monday morning for Washington, D. C., to visit Mrs. Theo Brown Herrie, '14, before returning to South Carolina.

The general excitement of "packing" prevailed during the past week at St. Joseph's. From early Monday morning until Thursday afternoon groups of girls were leaving for their vacation.

Saturday evening the remnant sale of The Ladies of Charity was held in the senior playroom. This permanently ended the Fair for this year with a most successful record. Miss Evelyn Castleman was the envied winner of the "baby sack" and the handsome cut-glass basket.

Jack Frost grew very precocious this week and there was a great revival of heavy sweaters and coats; the recent snow storm did much damage to the peaceful quiet of St. Joseph's; the railroad and consequently the mail was tied up for one day, there was also

boys, the fight fans forgot home ties and protested strongly against the manner in which the third man in the ring handled affairs. If the Monumental city desires to have these exhibitions, the proper authorities should see to it that the arbitrators are of high standing with a thorough knowledge of the game otherwise Baltimore will soon find herself in the same position as New York, the sport will be denied them. There is nothing that mars a game or set of games as much as incompetent officials, they are either the making or the breaking of good sport. I fancy that this is a lesson for the fight promoters of Baltimore and no doubt will see that more attention will be given to the officiating in the future.

It did not take the managers of the football teams of the different institutions long to get in action and arrange their schedules for next year. The majority of the colleges have the lists complete so there does not seem to be much in the cry that we would not see the great student game played next season. Michigan and Penn after many years of playing will not get together next year, this will be a drawback to many as the annual affair was being looked upon as an East vs. West proposition. After many years Michigan and University of Chicago will come together again staging the first contest in Chicago. The managers of both these institutions are receiving many compliments from the alumni in bringing these old rivals back once more. It is safe to say that it will be one of the banner games of the Middle West.

In place of Michigan, Penn has filled that date with the Georgia Tech team for Franklin Field. There is every reason to feel that the Southerners will prove to be a popular drawing attraction. The Tech boys put themselves on the football map this past season when they handed the Penn team a fine trimming. Their stock jumped very high and they were much in demand to be placed on many schedules. If they can show the same caliber of football as displayed this year, in the future, instead of the East vs. West as in former years, we may have the headlines the East vs. South.

The critics are still harping on the relative merits of the different football teams of the past season with the idea of picking a champion. They are about now in the same position as when they started, as no football man of standing would pick out one general championship team for the country. It would seem if the desire is for a gridiron champion, the only fair way that it could be so decided would be to pick the leaders in the different section. If so it would look as though we would have to give the University of Pittsburgh the crown for the East, while Georgia Tech cannot be denied that honor for the South with the Ohio State University to lead the Central section. For the far West the consensus of opinion seems to be between California and Washington State College.

It is always an open question when men in the line light are selected for prominent positions and especially when this applies to the Government. As stated in this column sometime ago a number of boxing instructors were picked for our military camps. A number of our sport writers, not in the nature of criticism, contend that much better results would be obtained if they picked their men from among the old-timers of the ring who made boxing an art. It is claimed by the old-time followers of fistiana that the other generation of gladiators knew much more about real fist science than the present crop. If such is the case men like Jack McAuliff, Kid McPartland, Kid Griffe, Patsy Haley, George Monroe and others of that general type, would be better teachers than some that have been chosen. Another point brought forward is that it would leave the present tutors, who are all young and of military age, available for a more active form of service.

The sporting world received a severe shock this past week when the news came of the death of the great Frank

Gotch. If ever there was a man that stood pre-eminent in his line, that man was Gotch. True he had to work hard to reach the top, but once there, there was never any one to disturb him. After gaining the championship he was open to all comers and when he found that there was no one in sight that desired any of his game he retired. Few if any had such an enviable position to hold the top honor so long and take it to the grave. There have been made many good mat men but I doubt if we will see for sometime to come a man of the type of Frank Gotch.

STATE CONDENSED.

President Wilson nominated Dr. Lewis A. Griffith, of Upper Marlboro, to be Inspector of Explosives for Maryland.

Dr. J. Royer Laughlin, of Hagerstown who recently went South for his health, died Friday at Hallendale, Fla. For a number of years he was a member of the Washington County Medical Association.

M. Samuel Rosenthal, treasurer of the firm of Strouse Bros., Inc., and one of the best known business men in Baltimore, died suddenly Sunday.

A new and handsome stone Catholic Church will soon rise on the proving ground near Aberdeen. Cardinal Gibbons is manifesting the greatest interest in the new project and work will be started on the edifice as soon as a suitable location can be obtained.

Fire that broke out late Sunday afternoon destroyed the large thawing shed of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad coal pier at Curtis Bay, Anne Arundel county, entailing a loss of more than \$75,000. Officials said that the fire was of incendiary origin.

Albert S. Prigg, 64 year, a well known merchant of Belair, died suddenly at his home Friday.

The coal shortage in Baltimore is becoming more and more serious. Lack of fuel at the Bethlehem Steel Company in Sparrows Point caused a shutdown of two blast furnaces, the rail mill, the Bessemer, the open hearth and the plate mill. It was announced the shut down was for an indefinite period.

The Shea Building and other business buildings of Frostburg were destroyed by fire which originated from an overheated furnace in the Shea Building, shortly before 5 o'clock Friday morning, entailing a loss between \$150,000 and \$200,000.

Philip Castle, of Laurel, died at his home Monday. He was postmaster, in that place for a number of years, and later served as county treasurer of Prince Georges county.

Agents for the W. A. and J. Norris McFarland Company, of Baltimore, report the leasing of the McFarland Building to the Quartermasters' Department of the United States Army. This warehouse is eight stories high and has 50,000 square feet of floor space. It is one of the most substantial brick warehouses in Baltimore.

According to a cable message from Paris, Dr. James Mark Baldwin, the distinguished psychologist, formerly of John Hopkins University, has been awarded the insignia of the Legion of Honor.

Miss Elizabeth Wills, of Harford county, was awarded by the Washington County School Board a scholarship to the Maryland Institute of Art in Baltimore.

John W. Routzahn, of East Providence, R. I., formerly of Westminster, was burned to death Monday night in fighting a fire in the United Railway Signal Company, at which factory he was a foreman.

The body of Charles Himmelheber, who died at the State Sanatorium, Sabillasville, Sunday was brought to Annapolis. At one time Mr. Himmelheber was clerk to the Anne Arundel County Commissioners, also County Treasurer.

How To Prevent Croup.

In a child that is subject to attacks of croup, the first indication of the disease is hoarseness. Give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as soon as the child becomes hoarse and the attack may be ward off and all danger and anxiety avoided. **Advertisement.

A CHRISTMAS STAR.

No, I haven't forgotten to hang up a wreath,
For I've seen them across the way;
I've a star on a flag in my window instead,
That must serve for this Christmas Day.

Though I'm thinking, with you, we must all do our best,
More than ever before, to be gay,
I've never kept Christmas so nearly alone.

As I'm keeping this Christmas Day.
Oh, yes! I am proud to be doing my part,
And I wouldn't have bid my boy stay,
But I can't keep from feeling it's lonelier still,
As it's nearer to Christmas Day.

Yet it never was Christmas till God gave His Son,
And the Lord from His home went away,
And 'twas then in the heavens God hung the bright star
That lighted the first Christmas Day!

John Mills Gilbert.

Feast Derived From Days Of Yore.

It is a beautiful arrangement and derived from the days of yore that this festival, which commemorates the announcement of the religion of peace and love, has been made the season for gathering together of family connections and drawing closer again those bands of kindred hearts which the cares and pleasures and sorrows of the world are continually operating to cast loose, of calling back the children of a family who have launched forth in life and wandered widely asunder, once more to assemble about the paternal hearth, that rallying place of the affections, there to grow young and loving again.

Washington Irving.

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IN THE WORLD OF SPORT

BY "MIKE" THOMPSON.

The American Roller Polo league, a sport that has been missing from among the winter past-times of the east for a number of years, has begun life anew up in the northeastern section of New England. A number of years ago this was one of the most interesting of winter sports and drew very large crowds. Some of the magnates could not stand prosperity, began resorting to shady deals in order to get rich quick. It did not take long for the public to get wise with the result that the game went to smash and was taken out west where it had only a short career. New England seems to be the logical section for this game as it was always more popular there than in any other part when it was run on a business basis. It is hoped now that the game is to be revived and that it will gain some of its lost prestige, and there is no doubt that it will if the Polo sports are given any kind of a square deal.

The leading batters for the season of 1917 in the six more important leagues were:

National League, Rausch, Cincinnati, 343.

American League, Cobb, Detroit, 330.

American Association, Blackburn, Columbus, 341.

Southern League, Pitler, Chattanooga, 351.

International League, Lajoie, Toronto, 396.

Central League, Hartle, Springfield, 327.

Major league baseball in Philadelphia is having pretty hard sledding just at the present time. The newspaper boys are all up in the air concerning the way the moguls smashed the two major teams of that city. The sale of Alexander and Killifer of the Phillies was of course a severe shock and what a general set back did the fans get a few days after when it was announced that Connie Mack let out the three best players he had in his outfit, namely, Bush, Schang and Strung. From the popular idol that Connie has always been in the Quaker city not only with the fans but also with the sport writers, his stock has taken a big drop and it looks as though the once great Connie will have to perform a miracle before he will get his standing back. Such is fame.

Baltimore evidently did not do herself proud in the fighting world in the last two contests held there. Although both decisions were in favor of the local

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Publicity, Montreal.

FROM THE COUNTY.

Miss Esther R. Nelson, Fort Collins, Col., has been appointed Home Demonstrator Agent for this county to succeed Miss Ebner who resigned. Miss Nelson is a graduate of the University of Minnesota where she specialized in home economies.

Congressman Frederick N. Zihlman, of the Sixth District called on Congressman Gregg, of the Committee on War Claims in the interest of the Frederick War Claim, which is pending before the committee. The chairman informed him that the committee would meet next week at which time Congressman Zihlman who is a member of the committee will urge a favorable report on the bill.

Two hundred and fifty dollars worth of Christmas kits, filled with comforts which every soldier will greatly appreciate were sent to Annapolis, early so the 170 Company A officers and men will receive them in plenty of time for Christmas. The kits contain: One half pound chocolate buds; half pound of mixed nuts, half pound of fruit cake; package of cigarettes of twenty; black silk tie, ordered especially from New York; and a khaki handkerchief. The handkerchief act in the capacity of a kit wrapper.

Ten more countians enlisted Friday at the Frederick recruiting station and left for concentration camps. Luther J. Wilhide, and Phillip W. Rogers, of Thurmont were among the number.

The Red Cross committee has selected the following captains to direct teams in the Frederick county drive for new members: District No. 1, D.C. Aldrige; No. 2, Richard S. J. Dutrow; No. 3, Mrs. John D. Hendrickson, Mrs. Sea christ; No. 4, Mrs. W. D. Zimmerman; No. 5, Mrs. Joseph D. Baker and Mrs. S. Lewis Motter; No. 6, Mrs. C. Will Fout; No. 7, Miss Jeanie DeLashmott and Dr. J. A. Long; No. 8, J. Welty Fahrney; No. 9, Mrs. John Francis Smith; No. 10, Mrs. Roy Hindman.

The jury in the case of Miss Lola Motter against the executor of her father's estate, the late Judge John C. Motter, reversed the decision of a local magistrate and rendered a verdict for the appellant. A similar suit was brought by Miss Aimee Motter, another daughter but the decision in the first case covers the second suit. The Misses Motter sued to recover the balance of an allowance made to them by their father.

David C. Winebrener, 3rd son of Mr. and Mrs. D. Charles Winebrener, Jr., who for six months was in the American Field Service in France arrived home Saturday night. He is considering further war service. He enlisted last May and sailed with the first Princeton unit. For weeks he operated an ammunition motor-car and latter drove the car of a chief of a division. Practically all of his service was in the danger zone and at times he was on the firing line. One of his Princeton friends was killed and another was injured.

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Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.—Luke II, 14.

"Would you have a happy day? Give some happiness away!"

Shepherd's at the grange, Where the Babe was born, Sang with many a change Christmas carols until morn.

"Merry Christmas!" hear them say As the east is growing lighter. May the joy of Christmas day Make your whole year gladder, brighter."

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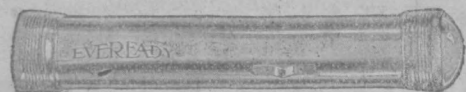
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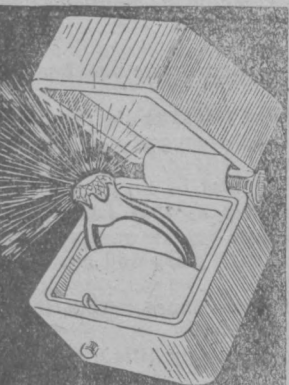
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FREDERICK COUNTY.

Frederick is next to the largest of the counties of Maryland. In population and wealth it ranks next to Baltimore county. In the fertility and productiveness of its lands it ranks among the first in the Union, and especially in the production of wheat. The area of this great county is 633 square miles. The great body of the people are of German, English and Scotch-Irish descent, the progeny mostly of the early settlers. The land is mostly of fine limestone quality, and the greater part of the county is a valley of rolling lands lying between the Lingular Hills and the Catoctin Mountain. This splendid valley is drained by the Monocacy river, and is one of the best farmed and most highly improved and productive areas of the Union. The great crops are wheat and corn.—Maryland Manual issued by Board of Public Works.

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There is business to be had in Emmitsburg; there are Factory Sites available. If you contemplate changing your place of residence—come to Emmitsburg, Frederick County, Md.

CHRISTMAS.

Christmas, the glad-time of the year, is almost with us. Its advent has been heralded by snow falls that seemed determined to transform the rugged, desolate earth into a veritable crystal fairland. The bustle of the shoppers, the hurry of the happy throng is almost ended. Each day has brought new delights to crowds surging continually to and from the stores. The blood warms in the veins, enthusiasm, keen emotion passes like an electric current through the entire being at Christmas, the joy-time of the year, when all hearts beat in human sympathy. At Yule Tide one thought especially sways the mind of men, whether happy 'mid the family, fireside group, or bereft and lonely dreaming of the long ago—the thought of Home; a word cherished by all humankind. Christmas, the love-time of the year, when tender, family love, unselfish love of fellow-man, generous love of the poor and unfortunate and the love of children is dominant. The child-season has reigned supreme since that century long ago when the dear Christ-Child came and by His coming gave children an inalienable right to the Yule-tide joys.

Is that why rich and poor of every class and kind endeavor to bring smiles to little faces and wondering delight to childish eyes? Is that why hardened, skeptical men forget their grievances for a while as they kindly thrust the round, shiny coin into the newsboy's eager hands? Is that why in spite of age, trials, sorrows, separations, the joyful Christmas calm fills the heart? Yes, for only the innocent children are able to draw from the Christmas spirit, the peace that is of Heaven, the peace which surpasseth all understanding.

"AMONG MEN OF GOOD WILL."

"Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace among men of good will." Whenever and wherever that carol has been sung, its dominant note has been the promise of peace among men. Significant of poignant longing for peace in the very fibre of humanity, it reveals a page of human history. Nowhere have people listened to the Christmas story wherein "Peace" has not become the sweetest tone in music, the kindest word in literature, the finest work of art. Poets have sung it, philosophers have praised it, statesmen and reformers have devised plans to compel its coming. Dreamers have prophesied the glory of a Utopia in which the sword shall be hammered into ploughshares; throughout the world, people have knelt at their firesides and prayed that peace might speedily come. For all centuries it has been the hope, perennial in the soul of man.

And peace has not yet come! Perchance our anxious hearts have ill-understood the nature of peace. We speak of it as of some distinctive substance, we sing of it as of some trait of human nature, we pray for it as for some specific blessing that is delivered out of the hand of God. But peace is none of these things; peace comes in no such way.

Peace is not a factor; it is a condition. Peace is not a cause; it is a result. Peace is not a feeling; it is the fruit of a feeling. Peace cannot be obtained

by ineffectual desire or prayer or legislation. Such a peace were a will o' the wisp, elusive, deceitful—neither genuine nor lasting. Remember the lilies, how they grow. They toil not, neither do they spin, yet Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. Peace, among men and nations cannot be bought with much care, but like the lilies, it must grow silently, sweetly, irresistibly.

"And on earth, peace." So concerned for it, we have overlooked the rest of that song, "Among men of good will." We have fatally erred in that we have demanded the promise to be fulfilled, the while we have mostly ignored the sole condition of its fulfillment. We have put forth far greater effort to compel peace than we have to create good will and justice and kindly dealing. We tried far harder to adjust the clashing interests of selfish and spiteful classes and races than we have to merge all classes and races into one common humanity. We have said infinitely more about love's worth than of the worth of those we should be loving. It is as if we had spent a life-time eulogizing health, while we violated every law of hygiene.

Christmas in a war scouraged world! These are days laden with destiny. They call loud for the whole-souled. Littlest and meanness, class antipathy and racial bitterness are not votive offerings for the Altar of Freedom. Let him who cannot bear injustice without growing vindictive, who cannot fight without hatred, who cannot suffer martyrdom in the spirit of forgiveness, let him stand apart and give room in the fray to those of larger mind and finer heart. And when the sword is broken and the cannon stilled, the reign of peace on earth will hold sway, if the world will have learned to meet this hour of tribulation with the greatness of good will.

CHRISTMAS AND THE CHILDREN.

"Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse. The stockings were hung by the chimney with care, In hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there."

The mystery of long cherished anticipation, the witchery of the world of make-believe is veiled about a child's trust in Santa Claus. The jolly old elf, with prancing reindeer and sleigh full of toys is a vivid personality to a child's imagination. Fairies sprinkle the silver on gossamer lawns; but dear Old Kris Kingle leaves such substantial proofs of his visits—sugar plums, dolls, marvellous trains and many a wonderful toy.

Unfortunately there is always an over-informed schoolmate to pooh pooh simple hearted belief in Santa Claus. Where ignorance was bliss is now a childhood tragedy. Even those who have put away childish things cannot entirely obliterate memory of that rude awakening. To console the child he is told that Santa Claus typifies the love of the Baby Christ for him, and the devotion of parents; inevitably skepticism sets in; the supernatural has been crowded out in this time of transition.

The years speed on—mayhap disappointment crowns effort, disillusionment rewards faith in human nature, sorrow and an

aching void become the portion of him who was the child. Then, when the binding power of materialism is loosed, is he quickened to a perception of the spiritual opportunity; he witnesses some little deed of pure unselfishness or reads in beautiful words thoughts from a full heart. Then the scales fall from his eyes. He believes again in Santa Claus; a Santa Claus, who exists as certainly as love and devotion and generosity exist; he is as real as faith, poetry and romance, for the most real things in this world transcend mere bodily vision.

The promises of youth are filled in a wonderful way, the whispers of fancy have told truth. The last of life, for which the first was made, hath hallowed love for the ideal of Christmas-tide.

THE CHRONICLE'S WISH.

For its good friends, wherever they may be, the wish of The CHRONICLE, is that this Christmas may bring much happiness—many friends to think of them, many friends for them to think of; the joy of being remembered, and the gratification of having given.

More than ever may His presence be with those whose loved ones are in camps, or "Over There" or in the far off Great Beyond. By Him may they and all who are lonely or in sorrow or distress of any kind be comforted. To them may this Holy Festival be a time of sweet and tender consolation and renewed trust in Him whose birth it commemorates.

Silk pajamas may be the gift you've determined upon for Him this Christmas. If so, remember that he is neither nine feet tall nor three feet short. The most docile, goodnatured man in the world objects to resembling a collapsed balloon or a short-measure ice cream cone, even in the dark.

CHRISTMAS council—"Reflect upon your present blessings—of which every man has many—not on your past misfortunes, of which all may have some. Fill your glass again, with a merry face and contented heart. Our life on it, but your Christmas shall be merry, and your new-year a happy one."

If all the "statesmen" soon to assemble at Annapolis have ordered broadcloth and "fixins" commensurate with their own estimate of their importance, Maryland tailors will have a happy Christmas. That is if the bills are paid.

"SOMEWHERE in France" will have a different meaning to Americans this Christmas.

WORRY about Christmas and you'll lose the spirit of it entirely.

To Everybody!
Here's Wishing
You All The
Joys Of The
Holiday
Season!

"A Little Child Shall Lead Them"

CHRISTMAS is the apotheosis of enfeeblement. It is the exaltation of childhood. It is the glory of the little child.

We celebrate this festival in bleak December, the uncrowned month in our northern zone, lighting its dull skies by the eternal fires of love in human hearts.

There is not in all this land a home where the rain beats through the roof, where the mother and father gather the children more closely to shelter them, but the Christmas truth is shining, "Blessed are the poor."

There is not a homeless boy who in the December night creeps out of the snow into an empty dry goods box in the alley, not a little fellow up under the rafters of the poor house on the county farm, not a foundling left in a basket at the rich man's door, not a shivering, tiny girl unfitted for a fight with the storm, but the new truth of the Christmas spreads its wings over them.

"When I am weak, then am I strong." Who is weak? Who is infirm upon his feet and walks with a crutch? Who is afraid of the northeast wind? Who says: "I am better; yes, I think I am getting better. But somehow I do not get my vigor back?" Who leans up against the bale of goods in the half-hidden counter and knows that she came back to work too soon? Who was born blind?

To all of you the Christmas has its meaning. There never was a conqueror like the child in the cradle. God hath chosen the weak things to confound the mighty. For 2,000 years the history of the world's civilization has been the story of the gentler virtues, the poem, the song and the triumph of suffering well. The race is not to the swift nor the battle to the strong. Every letter of that sentence is eternally true.

The grandest things that were ever done on earth were done by men and women who had the spirit of the child. The sublimest work of the Creator is the sweet-faced little child. It is everything for the child, heaven please—all harvests, all gold, all schools, all trade, all government, all the coming better times. Christmas means, "And a little child shall lead them."—Emory J. Hayne in New York World.

Christmas and the Children



The little folks are talkin'—they talk like anything 'Bout Santy Claus a-comin' an' what he's goin' to bring, An' the mother never scolds 'em or tells 'em 'bout the noise. They're just the sweetest little girls, the best of little boys!

Because they know

knows everything they do An' while he's loading up his sleigh he's watchin' of 'em too!

An' them that minds their mothers, they gets the most of toys.

They're just the sweetest little girls, the best of little boys!



They've just been writin' letters to Santy Claus each day An' tellin' him just what they want an' showin' him the way To where the house is, so he'll know just where to leave the toys

Fer just the sweetest little girls, the best of little boys!

They're gittin' mighty anxious fer the

days an' nights to go, An' all of 'em are happy, an' they make their mothers so! She never has to scold 'em or tell 'em 'bout the noise 'Cause they're just the sweetest little girls, the best of little boys!

—Frank L. Stanton in Atlanta Constitution.

Christmas Gifts of a Century Ago

In a New York newspaper of 1814 Christmas gifts were advertised as follows:

"An assortment of Books, well calculated for the amusement and instruction of Young Persons, among which are—Barton's Lectures on Female Education and Manners; Foster's Essays on various subjects; Rasselas Chatechism of Nature, an excellent little book, price 3s.; Burder's Village Sermons; Mrs. Chapane's Letters on the Improvement of the Mind."

"A. T. Goodrich, No. 124 Broadway, corner of Cedar street, has just received an extensive assortment of fancy articles, Books, Prints, Medallions, Landscapes and small books for children, that are well adapted for purchase or gift, at this season of complimentary presents."

"By the last arrival from Europe, were also received several of the latest and best Novels, Poems and Miscellaneous Works;

"Fine letterpaper; visiting cards; Ladies' and Gentlemen's Pocket Books; Wallets and Memorandum Books; Fine Penknives; Cases of Best Silver Eyed Needles; Opera Glasses and Snuff Boxes."

The Christmas Story

HERE was peace on the lone Judean hills,
And the shepherds watched their flocks by night,
When there came from the silent, starry sky
A burst of glory, a dazzling light,
And the angel choir from far away
Sang "Peace on earth, good will to men,"
And we hear the song o'er lapse of years
As it echoes in our hearts again.

They sang in notes of heavenly joy;
They brought a message from God to men,
For the Prince of Peace had come to earth
And a child was born at Bethlehem.

He Christ had come, the King of kings,
That we might God in his beauty see
And hearts be light in blessed hope
That death should be swallowed in victory.

And they left their flocks and hastened on
To the city of David to see the babe,
The Saviour of men and the Son of God,
The humble child in a manger laid,
And they marvel at that which had come to pass
And return with glory and praise to God,
While the chorus echoes within their hearts
As back to the lonely hills they plod.
As the shepherds of old, let us hasten on
This Christmas day to Bethlehem town,

To be with him through the whole of life,
To bear the cross and to gain the crown.
No more shall we find him a lonely child,
But there forever with God above
He watches and guides our feeble steps
Till he bears us home with his infinite love.

How sweetly, how gladly to all the world
There comes a message of hope today,
For Christ is born and man is free
And pain and sorrow must pass away.
How sweetly and silently into the heart
The Christ Child comes this blessed night
To make us noble and good and true,
For the light of the world is a wondrous light.

Dear Christ, may we follow with willing hearts
The path of duty, where thou hast led,
That sin and shame may have an end
And that joy may fill our souls instead,
And on this thy glorious natal day
We shall catch the sound as the glad bells ring
Till we hear thy summons to come away
And in heaven above thy praises sing.

—Rev. Norman Van Pelt Levis in Philadelphia Public Ledger.



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me,
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nay—
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to wait
And pine, yet hold inviolate
The ban, too strict for Adam's
clay,
"Don't open until Christmas
day!"

On Christmas day shall I be
here
To joy in that which now
were dear?
And must I heed these runes
that say,
"Don't open until Christmas
day?"
Should Time, the churl, have
power to hold
In check each word, each
deed of old!
Through this decree of drear
delay,
"Don't open until Christmas
day!"

For there be hearts—and
purses, too—
Locked fast to Love the long
year through
By that same word, which
fools obey,
"Don't open until Christmas
day!"

Ah, Love, the sages all allow
The time for any joy is now!
Then charge me never more,
I pray,
"Don't open until Christmas
day!"
—Arthur Guiterman in Life.

The Golden Christmastide

UNDER the far blue Syrian sky
Was born the Conqueror of
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Who bore credentials from on high
In Bethlehem and Nazareth.
Then came the new and better times;
One lone star signaled far and wide,
And now we ring melodious chimes
To mark the holy Christmastide.

Come young and old from every side;
Come rosy maid and gentle swain,
It is the holy
Christmas-
tide
That joyously
we meet
again.
The holly hangs
upon the
door.
It is no time for
work or woe.

Now jollity commands the floor,
And joy comes with the mistletoe.
Bring in the Yule log's ancient flame,
The soused boar's head, a rich re-
past.
Let sorrow go the way it came;
Let care be to oblivion cast.
The sweet clear voices sound without
Sackbuts and shawm make whole-
some glee.
Twined is the boar's head round about
With garlands rich and rosemary.

And now the foaming wassail bowl
Shall bring us comfort and delight.
This is the sea-
son of the
soul,
From golden
morn to star-
ry night.
Naught care we
for the pierc-
ing cold,
The drifted
snow or rag-
ing blast,
For Christmas never shall grow old
From eons new or centuries past.

Quaint mummers mingle in the scene
Where pudding mates with Christ-
mas pie.
The rooms are thick with evergreen,
And happiness lights every eye.
Let Fortunatus turn his horn
Of basket loads to famished need,
For on this day the One was born
Who knew no mark of class or creed.

Then welcome, merry Christmastide,
Another hour before we go.
The rosy girl
close at our
side
We'll kiss be-
neath the mis-
tletoe.
Deep, mellow
bells salute
the air
With benisons
sent far and
wide.

Good will and joy go everywhere
Upon the golden Christmastide.
—Joel Benton.



A Wish.
I'd fain have a centipede's stockings
To hang by the fireplace tonight
And then have an octopus Santa
With eight arms to fill them up tight.
—New York Sun.

A Long Drawn Out Christmas

In many parts of Switzerland
the Yuletide customs and
festivities still have their be-
ginning on Dec. 6, which is
the anniversary of St. Nich-
olas. Markets and fairs are
then held in villages and cit-
ies, and, seeing that the old
traditions prescribe for this
day the purchasing of pres-
ents for the children, it is an
event of utmost importance
to all youngsters. In some
districts St. Nicholas parades
around in person in an attire
very similar to that of our
American Santa Claus, gener-
ally carrying a big bag filled
with apples, prunes, nuts and
homemade cookies, which he
distributes among the children
who have been obedient during
the year.

The next and in modern days
the most important festive day
of the whole Yule season is
Christmas day. History relates
that it was only in the year
354 A. D. that the Roman
Bishop Liberius regarded this
particular day as the birthday
of Christ, and as they were fur-
thermore desirous of giving a
more religious importance to
two important Roman festivals
which also fell due in the
same period. With the obser-
vation of Christmas day the
Christkindl, described as "a
lovely angel with wings,"
gradually started to take old
Santa's place in many sections
of Switzerland. Christkindl,
the Christ Child, is said to
come from the far north and
always brings a wonderful
Christmas tree, decorated with
all the glittering things asso-
ciated with fairyland and heav-
ily laden with manifold gifts.

A Christmas Carol for Children

Good news from heaven the angels
bring,
Glad tidings to the earth they sing
To us this day a child is given
To crown us with the joy of heaven.

This is the Christ, our God and Lord,
Who in all need shall aid afford;
He will himself our Saviour be,
From sin and sorrow set us free.

To us that blessedness he brings,
Which from the Father's bounty
springs;
That in the heavenly realm we may
With him enjoy eternal day.

All hail, thou noble guest, this morn,
Whose love did not the sinner scorn!
In my distress thou cam'st to me;
What thanks shall I return to thee?

Were earth a thousand times as fair,
Beset with gold and jewels rare,
She yet were far too poor to be
A narrow cradle, Lord, for thee.

Ah, dearest Jesus, Holy Child!
Make thee a bed, soft, undefiled,
Within my heart that it may be
A quiet chamber kept for thee.

Praise God upon his heavenly throne,
Who gave to us his only Son:
For this his hosts, on joyful wing,
A blest New Year of mercy bring.
—Martin Luther.

An Old Anglo-Norman Carol.
Lordlings, listen to our lay—
We have come from faraway
To seek Christmas;

In this mansion we are told
He his yearly feast doth hold:
'Tis today!

May joy come from God above
To all those who Christmas love!

Lordlings, I now tell you true,
Christmas bringeth unto you
Only mirth:

His house he fills with many a dish
Of bread and meat and also fish
To grace the day.

May joy come from God above
To all those who Christmas love!

Lordlings, wicked men eschew,
In them never shall you view
Aught that's good;

Cowards are the rabble rout,
Kick and beat the grumblers out
To grace the day.

May joy come from God above
To all those who Christmas love!

Lords, by Christmas and the host
Of this mansion hear my toast—
Drink it well.

Each must drain his cup of wine,
And I the first will toss off mine;
Thus I advise,
Here, then, I bid you all wassail,
Cursed be he who will not say Drink-
hail.

Watchman, tell us of the night,
For the morning seems to dawn,
Traveler, darkness takes its flight;
Doubt and terror are withdrawn.
Watchman, let thy wanderings cease,
Hie thee to thy quiet home.
Traveler, lo, the Prince of Peace—
Lo, the Son of God is come.
JOHN BOWRING.

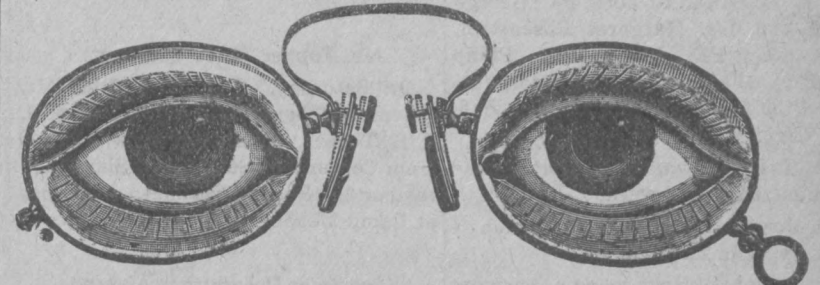
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PERSONALS.

Mrs. C. C. Archer, of Lewis, Iowa, spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. John Hospelhorn.

Rev. James H. Neck, of Baltimore spent Friday with relatives in Emmitsburg.

Mr. Samuel McN. Annan left Friday for Princeton, N. J., where he will enter the Aviation School.

Brother Sigismund, of St. Louis, Mo.; William A. Saffer, of York, Pa.; George Saffer, and Mrs. Margaret Rosensteel, of Scranton, Pa., John Saffer, Philip Snouffer and son, Allen, Baltimore attended the funeral of Mr. Conrad Saffer on Friday.

Mr. H. H. Brown, of Baltimore was in Emmitsburg this week.

Mr. Joseph Shuff returned from a week's visit in Philadelphia.

Mr. Joseph E. Hoke made a business trip to Baltimore one day last week.

Mr. J. C. Annan, of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Stewart Annan.

On Sunday Miss Ruth Topper returned from Baltimore where she spent some time.

Miss Rhoda Gillelan, of Baltimore is the guest of her mother, Mrs. Ida S. Gillelan.

Mr. Roy Manns, of Baltimore visited Mr. and Mrs. Edward Oden, of near Emmitsburg.

Prof. and Mrs. Kremer Hoke and son, of Duluth, Minn., are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Hoke.

Mr. and Mrs. Dubel and daughter, Anna, of Hagerstown spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Hospelhorn.

Mr. Walter Grumbine, of Westminster was in Emmitsburg, on Tuesday.

Constable Liddle, of Thurmont made a business trip to Emmitsburg on Tuesday.

Miss Fannie Hoke spent a few days with her sister, Mr. William E. Rosensteel, of Baltimore.

Mr. E. S. Waddle, of St. Joseph, Missouri, is visiting his mother, Mrs. Ellen Waddle.

Dr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Rowe, and son Eugene, of State College, Pa., are spending the holidays with Dr. Rowe's mother, Mrs. E. Cora Rowe.

FURNITURE.

Give furniture this year for Christmas presents. We have a fine line of rocking chairs, couches, smoking sets, card tables, serving trays, rugs, etc. dec 14-2ts. M. F. SHUFF.

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The Women's Auxiliary Association.

The Women's Auxiliary Association of the Defense League have made 42 sweaters and sent 40 of them to the men in the Service from Emmitsburg District. Two were sent to men from across the line in Adams County, Pennsylvania. This Auxiliary had also knit a number of helmets, scarfs and stockings for the boys.

WAR TAX REVENUE STAMPS

are now on sale ranging in price from one to fifty cents. On all parcel post packages a tax of one cent for each twenty-five cents and fraction thereof is charged. d-14-2ts.

Revenue Collector to be Here.

In a communication received recently Collector of Internal Revenue, Joshua W. Miles, announces that a federal income tax officer will be sent to Emmitsburg Feb 25 to March 1, 1918. He will be stationed at the Post Office, and will be every day ready and willing to help persons subject to the income tax to make out their returns without any cost to them for his services.

Send your soldier boy a box of Cigarettes for Christmas. Boxes of Lucky strike cigarettes, containing twelve packs ready for mailing for sale at dec 14 2ts MATTHEWS STORE.

Children Sell Red Cross Stamps.

The pupils of the Emmitsburg Public School have sold two thousand eight hundred red cross stamps up to the present time. The proceeds are to be forwarded to the Red Cross to be used for the tuberculosis fund. d-14 2ts.

The 1918 Christmas Savings Club will be the largest yet. Don't be one of the few who won't get Christmas checks next year. d-14 2ts.

Registrants Receive Questionnaires.

The local men, appointed by the Legal Advisory Board, have been busy helping registrants to fill out the questionnaires that have been received this week.

Almonds, English Walnuts, Pecans and Assorted Nuts, 25c, 30c, and 35c per pound. dec 14 2ts MATTHEWS STORE.

Civic League Meeting.

The next meeting of the Civic League will be on Friday evening, Dec. 28, at the School House at 7.30.

Don't put off taking out your Christmas Saving Club, until some of the classes are exhausted. d-14 2ts

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Mr. Payne Removed to Hospital.

On Friday Mr. J. E. Payne was removed to the Frederick City Hospital where he will undergo a course of treatment.

Temperature For The Week.

The maximum temperature for this week was thirty-eight degrees on Wednesday and the minimum temperature was six degrees on Saturday.

Mr. Topper Made Sergeant.

On Saturday, December 8th, Mr. Joseph M. Topper, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Topper, of Emmitsburg was raised from Corporal to Sergeant. Since September Mr. Topper has been stationed at Camp Meade, Admiral, Md.

Christmas Decorations Abound.

As the season of Christmas approaches everybody seems to be more enthusiastic. All of the store-keepers and business men of Emmitsburg have decorated extensively and their places of business present a beautiful spectacle.

Civic League Officers Elected.

The annual election of the Civic League was held Friday, December 7, and the officers for the ensuing year are as follows: Miss Gertrude Annan, president; Mrs. E. L. Annan, vice-president; Rev. L. B. Hensley, secretary; and Miss Elizabeth Horner, treasurer.

Lieutenant Day Off To Texas.

Lieutenant John L. Day, former coach at Mt. St. Mary's College left recently for Texas where he will go on duty at an infantry training camp. Lieut. Day was a graduate of the November class of the Fort Myer, Va., officers training school, being awarded a second lieutenancy.

Local Men Elected Delegates.

At a regular meeting of Jason Dammuth Post No. 80, Dept. of Md., G. A. R., of Thurmont, held December 7, Mr. Michael Hoke, of Emmitsburg was elected as Officer of the Guard and also a delegate to Department Encampment Mr. John H. Mentzer, also of Emmitsburg, elected on alternate to Department Encampment.

Arthur M. Stokes In Service

Last week, Mr. Arthur M. Stokes of Pittsburgh, Pa., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Henry Stokes, of this place, volunteered his services to the Government, passed his examination as electrician, and was ordered to the Rock Island Arsenal, Rock Island, Ill., at which place he will be assigned to some branch of the Service for which his electrical knowledge has qualified him.

Mrs. Wagerman Breaks Her Arm.

While returning from Emmitsburg on Tuesday, Mrs. Charles Wagerman of Annandale, had the misfortune to fracture her right forearm at the wrist. The horse Mrs. Wagerman was driving became fastened in the harness and caused the sleigh and throwing the occupants in the snow and in this way Mrs. Wagerman received her injury.

Patriotic Meeting in Frederick.

A Patriotic Meeting will be held in the City Opera House in Frederick on Sunday, December 23rd. It is hoped that prominent men from Frederick county, who are now in the Service, will be present and are expected to make addresses. The speaker of the day will be Charles D. Winebrener, 3rd., who has just returned from Service at the Front. A silver collection will be taken up and the proceeds to go for surgical dressings, and free wool.

HOW TO PAY NEXT YEAR'S TAXES

Take out now a Christmas Saving Club card pay a small amount each week, and when next year's taxes fall due you'll have money to pay them. 14-2ts.

CHRISTMAS MAIL.

Pack well, address plainly, and properly, tie securely and mail early, do not wait till train is ready to depart. d-14 2ts.

Black Trench Bird.

Last week Mr. Jas. G. Bishop of this place received from a friend in Jerusalem a black Trench Bird or Turkish carrier pigeon, taken from a captured officer in the regiment under command of Roostem Effendi. This bird—presented to the CHRONICLE Museum by Mr. Bishop—had under its wing at the time of its capture a note, in cipher, and a signed order for 1,000,000 packs of Turkish Trophy cigarettes. Being a little under the weather at the time of its arrival in Emmitsburg the 'pigeon' was put on diet and is now undergoing medical treatment. Upon its recovery it will be loaned to the Zoo in New York.

NOTICE.

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CHURCH NEWS

Regular services in the Emmitsburg Churches are as follows:

CATHOLIC

Mass, Sunday 7, 8 30 and 10 a. m. Vespers, Sunday 7:30 p. m. Mass, week day, 6 and 7 A. M.

ST. ANTHONY'S

Mass, Sunday at 7 and 10 a. m. Week day Masses 6 and 7 a. m. Catechism, 9 a. m. Vespers, 4 p. m.

REFORMED

Sunday, 10:30 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Sunday School, 9:30 a. m. Service Wednesday evening at 7:30.

PRESBYTERIAN

Sunday, 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School, 9:30 a. m. Christian Endeavor, 7:00 p. m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:30 p. m.

LUTHERAN

Sunday, 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday School, 9:00 a. m. Junior Christian Endeavor, 1:45 p. m. Senior " 6:45 p. m. Wednesday, Prayer Meeting 7:30 p. m. Saturday, Catechetical instruction 2 p. m.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL

Sunday School, 1:30 p. m. Service, 2:30 p. m. Epworth League, 6:30 p. m. Vesper Service, Thursday, 7:30 p. m.

TOM'S CREEK M. E. CHURCH

Sunday School, 9 a. m. Preaching, 10:30 a. m.

Church Services.

Christmas Services in the local Churches will be as follows: Reformed Church—Sunday School service, Christmas Eve at 7 o'clock and Choral Service will be held at midnight.

Methodist Episcopal Church Sunday School will hold their Christmas Services on Sunday afternoon at 2.30.

Presbyterian Church will hold their usual Christmas services Sunday morning at 10.30 o'clock.

The Lutheran Congregation will hold their annual Christmas Services on Christmas night at 7 o'clock.

USEFUL CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

Many useful articles at M. F. Shuff's Furniture Store for Xmas. dec 14-2t

OBITUARY.

JACOB WALTER GRIMES.

Jacob Walter Grimes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Grimes, died at his home near Emmitsburg Saturday, Dec. 15th 1917, after an attack of typhoid pneumonia, aged 17 years, 4 months and 15 days.

Funeral services were held at the home of his parents on Tuesday morning last. Interment in Mountain View Cemetery, Rev. Charles Reinwald, D. D. officiated.

ROBERT G. MCNAIR.

Robert G. McNair was born in Adams County, Pennsylvania, August 5, 1853 and died in the Atlantic Hospital, Cass County, Iowa, December 8, 1917, aged 64 years, 4 months and 3 days.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Anna Hendricks McNair and four children, Hiram S. McNair of Regent, N. D.; Mrs. Beulah Guttenfelder, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Mrs. Blanche Burnside, of Lewis, Iowa; and Mrs. Maybelle Miller, of New England, N. D. He is also survived by the following brothers and one sister: William McNair, of Fairfield Penna.; Watson McNair, of Cheyenne, Wyo.; and Helen McNair of Baltimore, Md.

Funeral services were held Monday, December 10. Interment was made in Lewis, Iowa.

Mr. McNair was a former Emmitsburgian having spent his early days in this vicinity.

GEORGE ABRAHAM KRIZE.

Mr. George Abraham Krize died at the home of Mr. Charles Summers, of near Emmitsburg on Sunday, December 16. He was aged 85 years.

Mr. Krize was born near Emmitsburg, but about fifty years ago he moved to Lewis, Iowa and since then has made this western city his home. While on a visit to relatives in this vicinity Mr. Krize contracted pneumonia which caused his death.

He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Minnie Weaver of Exeter, Nebraska, and Mrs. C. C. Archer, of Lewis, Iowa. One step-daughter, Mrs. Robert G. McNair, of Lewis, Iowa; one sister, Mrs. Tressler, of Fountaineau, Pa., and one brother, Mr. Lewis Krize, of Fairfield, Pa., also survived. Mrs. John Hospelhorn of Emmitsburg is a sister-in-law of the deceased.

The remains were sent to Lewis, Iowa, where interment was made.

WAR SAVINGS CERTIFICATE STAMPS.

United States War Savings Certificate Stamps—United States Thrift Stamps are now on sale at the Emmitsburg Postoffice. d-14-2ts.

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It is more blessed to give than to receive, except in the matter of offense.



OVERHOLTZER—WARREN.

Charles Martin Overholtzer and Miss Bertha Mae Warren, both of Emmitsburg were married on Wednesday by Rev. J. B. Baker at the St. James' Lutheran parsonage, Gettysburg, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Overholtzer will reside near Emmitsburg.

ROGERS—WEBSTER.

On Tuesday evening, December 11, Miss Ruth K. Webster, of Thurmont became the bride of Mr. Philip W. Rogers, also of Thurmont. The marriage ceremony took place at the Lutheran parsonage, Rev. W. C. Waltemyer officiating. Only the members of the immediate families were present.

On the same day Mr. Rogers enlisted in the Aviation Corps, as a photographer, and left Wednesday for Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

Christmas Candies in boxes. Prices ranging from 35c to \$5.00 dec 14-2ts. MATTHEWS STORE.

Mr. Zihlman Introduces Bill.

A bill was introduced in Congress Monday by Congressman Frederick R. Zihlman, of the Sixth Maryland District, to provide for the enlargement of the public building at Cumberland, Md. Representative Zihlman introduced this bill at the request of residents of his home city. A like bill was introduced by Ex-Congressman David Lewis, his predecessor on July 13, 1916 in the first session of the 64th Congress and it was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

The bill would authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to contract for the enlargement, improvement and alterations of the Federal building at Cumberland, to meet the needs of the Government service, at cost not to exceed \$50,000.

Home Guards Needed.

Fifteen thousand men are needed at once for United States Guards, for the protection of public utilities in the United States. Enlistments are for the period of the existing emergency. Men enlisted must be beyond the draft age. The enlistment of married men is authorized. Men who have seen former service, Spanish American, Philippine, Boxer Campaign, Army, Navy or Marine Corps, and men with experience in well organized fire and Police departments. These men will serve in the vicinity of their homes.

Christmas Reunions

How many families whose members have been dispersed and scattered far and wide in the restless struggles of life are on this day united and meet once again in that happy state of companionship and mutual good will which is a source of such pure and unalloyed delight and one so incompatible with the cares and sorrows of the world that the religious belief of the most civilized nations and the rude traditions of the roughest savages alike number it among the first joys of a future condition of existence provided for the blest and happy! How many old recollections and how many dormant sympathies does Christmas time awaken!—Charles Dickens

The First Christmas Carol.

Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you; ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes lying in a manger.

Christmas is a jolly day, but let us not forget that it is Christ's birthday and that to make someone else happy is the sweetest thing of all.

You never feel so sorry for the lonely person as at Christmas-time—and the lonely person is never so lonely as at Christmas time.

A NEW SONG OF HATE.

My Tuesdays are meatless,
My Wednesdays are wheatless,
I'm getting more eatless

Each day.

My home it is heatless,
My bed it is sheetless—
They're all sent to the

Y. M. C. A.

The barrooms are treatless,
My coffee is sweetless,
Each day I get poorer

And wiser.

My stockings are feetless,
My trousers are seatless;
By gosh—but I do hate

The Kaiser.

—From the Asheville Citizen.

Stomach Trouble And Constipation.

Those who are afflicted with stomach trouble and constipation should read the following: "I have never found anything so good for stomach trouble and constipation as Chamberlain's Tablets. I have used them off and on now for the past two years. They not only regulate the action of the bowels but stimulate the liver and keep one's body in a healthy condition," writes Mrs. Benjamin Hooper, Auburn, N. Y.

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BANK ELECTION NOTICE.

Emmitsburg, Md., Dec. 4th, 1917 The stockholders of the Emmitsburg Savings Bank will meet at their Banking House on the First Tuesday after the first Monday in January, being the 8th day of January, 1918, 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 24th day of December to remain so until after the election.

H. M. WARRENFELTZ, Dec. 14-4ts. Cashier.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.

At the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Emmitsburg Savings Bank, on December 18, 1917, the regular semi-annual dividend of three and-half (3½) per cent was declared, payable on and after January 2nd, 1918. As usual, checks will be mailed to stockholders.

H. M. WARRENFELTZ, Cashier. d 21-2ts.

SHOOTING MATCH AT MOTTERS.

On Monday, December 24, M. Roy Sharrer will hold a shooting match at Motters. Prizes offered will include bucky harness, turkeys, geese, ducks and chickens. Take home a turkey for Christmas. adv.

PROPERTY FOR SALE OR RENT.

Desirable dwelling just off State road near Mt. St. Mary's College, can be rented by responsible party, or bought outright at a fair price. For further particulars address "W. R." care of The Chronicle. d 21-3ts.

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ACROSS THE LINE

James A. Weaver, ticket agent at the Toga station of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway, died suddenly Saturday afternoon. He was sixty-six years old.

The Frick Company, of Waynesboro, gave its 100 or more stockholders quite an amount of Christmas cheer Saturday by sending them checks for the annual dividend, which has heretofore been paid January 1. Another surprise, and even more welcome, was the increase in the amount. The dividend this year is 8 per cent., 1 per cent. higher than last year and for nearly a score of years past. The total amount is \$120,000, the capital stock being \$1,500,000.

Definite steps are being taken, after four years of agitation, to abolish the toll roads of York county. A delegation of citizens called upon Deputy State Highway Commissioner Joseph Hunter several days ago and he promised that the State would co-operate with the county.

Mrs. Christian Minnich, of Waynesboro, received word that her brother, George Rossman, a United States soldier, had died in France from a wound received in battle. He is Waynesboro's first war victim.

Employees of the American Chain Company, of York were given a pre-Christmas treat Saturday, when annual payment was made under the service bonus system, in vogue during the last four years. Approximately \$40,000 was paid out to about 1,350 employees. Workmen employed by the firm for six months prior to Dec. 1, were paid 5 per cent. on their earnings in that period; those in the employ one year, 7½ per cent., and those who have worked two years or over, 10 per cent.

Do not be satisfied with wishing people a "Merry Christmas;" help make it one.

Order of Publication.

N. O. 9713 Equity.

In the Circuit Court for Frederick County, in Equity.
Marie I. V. Davis vs. John Edward Davis.

The object of this Bill of Complaint is to procure a divorce a Vinculo Matrimonii by the plaintiff, Marie I. V. Davis from the defendant John Edward Davis. The Bill also prays for general relief.

The Bill of Complaint alleges, in substance, that the plaintiff is a bona fide resident of Frederick County, Maryland where she has lived all her life and that the defendant is a non-resident of the State of Maryland and a resident of Washington, District of Columbia; that the parties were married January 24, 1917, in Washington and separated on or about April 26, 1917, the plaintiff having discovered that the defendant was guilty of adultery; the bill then alleges that the defendant, between the first day of March, 1917 and the time of the filing of this bill, committed the crime of adultery with certain lewd women whose names are to the plaintiff unknown; and that the plaintiff has not condoned the defendant's said wrongs.

It is thereupon this 24th day of October, 1917 ordered by the Circuit Court for Frederick County, in Equity, that the plaintiff by causing a copy of this order to be inserted in some newspaper published in said Frederick County, once in each of four successive weeks before the 29th day of December, 1917, give notice that the non resident defendant of the object and substance of this bill, warning him to appear in this court in person, or by solicitor, on or before the 14th day of January 1918, to show cause, if any he has, why a decree ought not to be passed as prayed.

ELI G. HAUGH,
Clerk of the Circuit Court
for Frederick County, Maryland.
LEO WEINBERG, Solicitor.
(Filed November 24, 1917.)
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ST. ANTHONY'S.

The work of decorating St. Anthony's Church began on Wednesday evening. The garlands will all be placed before Christmas Eve. There will be midnight Mass at St. Anthony's on Monday night, Christmas Eve. This will be a Solemn High Mass at which Holy Communion will be given. The first Mass Christmas morning will be at 7.30 A. M., and the last Mass will be at 9.00 A. M. Mr. Roy Sharer, of Motters has promised to be on the hillside before midnight Mass and play the "Adeste." Mr. Sharrer promises to carry out the custom established by Larry and his flute.

Messrs. Ernest and Edward Seltzer spent Thursday in Frederick.

Mrs. James Seltzer and Mrs. Clarence Adams spent Sunday afternoon at Dry Bridge visiting Miss Edna Lingg.

Misses Catherine Seltzer and Bernadette Jordan spent Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Seltzer.

The recent heavy snowfall caused many to enjoy sleighing parties.

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Eyler's Valley Happenings.

On Sunday morning, Dec. 23, at 10 o'clock, Communion services will be held in the Eyler's Valley U. B. Church Rev. I. M. Fridinger officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. William T. Miller and daughter Ruth made a business trip to Emmitsburg on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Baxter spent Sunday with Mrs. John G. Forney.

Rev. S. A. Kipe spent Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe L. Eyler.

Mr. Allen C. Eyler of Zentztown, spent Saturday with Mr. William L. Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene McKissick visited their daughter, Mrs. R. F. Working on Sunday.

Mr. Harry Baxter made a business trip to Thurmont on Monday.

FRANKLINVILLE NEWS.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ridenour and children visited Mr. Washington Ridenour on Sunday.

Mrs. Elizabeth Baker is on the sick list.

Miss Marie Dewees and Mr. Guy Crawford spent Saturday evening with Mrs. Aaron Stull.

Misses Mable and Maude Fry spent Sunday with Miss Edith Dewees.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Flohr and Miss Bessie Flohr spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Martin.

The Franklinville public school held their Christmas Exercises yesterday, December 20. The program proved to be very interesting and was thoroughly enjoyed by a large and appreciative audience.

Mr. Howard Ridenour is still at the Frederick City Hospital.

GRACEHAM

Mr. Samuel Colliflower, of Altoona, Pa., spent a few days with his brother, Messrs Howard and Charles Colliflower.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stull and daughter, and Mr. Morris Barrick, of Rocky Ridge, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Burman.

Mrs. Dora Weller and Mr. Frank Weller, of Thurmont visited Mr. and Mrs. George Fox on Sunday.

As usual on Christmas eve the little wax tapers will be given out.

Christmas night the Sunday School will hold their entertainment.

On Friday evening, December 29th, the Glee Club party of 15 members from the Moravian College, Bethlehem, Pa., will give an entertainment at the church.

LOYS AND VICINITY.

Mr. Harvey M. Pittenger made a business trip to Thurmont on Monday and Wednesday.

Miss Beulah M. Martin and brother Luther spent Wednesday in Thurmont.

Mrs. Rhua Fox and Miss Leah Fox visited in Creagerstown on Saturday.

Mrs. Rhua Fox and Miss Leah Fox were in Frederick on Wednesday.

Mrs. Charles Staub, of Rocky Ridge, had as their guests on Sunday, Mrs. Rhua Fox and Miss Leah Fox.

Misses Ruth and Carrie Tressler spent Sunday with Miss Leah Fox, of near Creagerstown.

Mrs. William Weddle, of Creagerstown spent Sunday with Mr. Jesse Fox and family, of near Loys.

NEWS FROM THE TRACT

Mr. and Mrs. George Shorb and daughter Mary are spending a few days in York.

Mr. Roy Oden has returned home after spending sometime with his brother Mr. James Oden, of Waynesboro.

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Clerk of the Circuit Court—Eli G. Haugh. Deputies, I. N. Loy, M. N. Nusz, John H. Martz, E. N. Norris, Melvin F. Shepley.

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Orphans' Court—Charles H. Butts, Chief Judge, George Ed. Smith, John L.S. Aldridge. Orphans' Court meets every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of each week.

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State's Attorney—Aaron R. Anders.

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"OVER THERE."

Somewhere in England,
Flying Camp,
October 15, 1917.

Dear So and So:

This letter I started to you out at the flying camp but was never able to finish owing to sundry inconsequential events. Let me explain: I was posted to North—from the University and was just beginning my solo flying. I got posted so suddenly that my wits were out of gear for at least a week. Perhaps that foreshadowed the coming events. Well, I had been on my solo about two weeks when "It" occurred. It was a cold, windy morning and the fog was so thick that you couldn't see your hand in front of your face. My squadron commander had all of us cadets pulled out of bed to do early morning flying and mind you the fog was as thick as night.

Well, up I went. I was so blooming cold when I got out to the aerodrome that I was stiff and could hardly struggle into my leather coat and had to get a mechanic to strap on my helmet and strap me into the machine. Most of the cadets were refusing to go up, but they were as crazy as the deuce because we only get fifty hours flying in before we are sent to France and in most cases sent to our untimely deaths. Well, the more flying we get in before going to the lines the better a flyer you are and the more chances you have of living instead of being brought down by some troublesome Hun; so on this particular morning I was glad to get a chance to go up even under unfavorable circumstances.

As I sat in the pilot's seat [and the mechanic was turning on the propeller I had a hunch that something was going to happen. It's a funny thing but I did not feel right. However, putting these unpleasant thoughts aside I tried my ailerons and the elevators, turned on the petrol, turned off the switch and gave the command to "suck in." Then I taxied into the wind and "took off" thereby embarking on a perilous voyage in a treacherous sky with nothing but my own wits and the strength of my machine to rely upon. Reads like a romance, doesn't it? But when you come to realize that an aviator takes his life in his hands every time he goes up in a fog you will not think it such a cinch.

To resume the narrative, I had been up about twenty minutes and couldn't tell for the life of me whether I was flying straight or not. In a fog or a cloud it's the hardest thing to fly on a level. I have seen fellows come out of a fog in a "side slip" or a "nose dive." Well as I was wondering whether I was straight or not and scraping the ice off my altimeter in order to determine my height—it registered 500 feet—something hit me. Great heavens! I'll never forget the next few seconds as long as I live! It was another machine crashing into mine, and an instant later I could see to my horror that my whole left wing was ripped off. Great Jerusalem, down I went! And while the hard earth was rushing up to give me what I thought was a farewell kiss I thought of everything I had ever done in my life. I've often thought it would be a nice thing to do smoking a cigarette but believe me I had no thought of a smoke then, I couldn't do a blamed thing—how can a man do anything when his wing is off? As I was saying, I was coming down like a bat out of the lower regions and all of a sudden—crash, crash, crash—and I had a kind of a sense of shooting pain running the entire length of my body and I passed out.

At the time I thought I had bid this world good-bye. When I came to, the sun was shining brightly through a canopy of trees and I was hanging by my strap head, downwards, and I was conscious of a terrible pain in my leg so I tried to loosen my strap. After several vain attempts I finally managed it and held on to the cowl of the fuselage to keep from falling the rest of the way to the earth. Eventually I squirmed into my seat, though the effort was quite unpleasant for my leg was wedged in between the gas tank and the edge of the fuselage and I could see right away that it was broken. Outside of that I supposed I was alright but my ribs didn't feel any too easy.

The machine was unharmed except for the wing, which was ripped off at the base and a splintered "prop." I was as sore as the deuce about the "prop" because I wanted to have a stick made out of one of the pieces but there wasn't enough wood to make a toothpick.

Well, it was Lieut. A. who ran into me and he escaped without a scratch and sent a wrecking party after me. Fifteen minutes after I came to they found me and rushed me here to the Military Base Hospital. Lieut. A. is a darned, nice fellow but now he is in active service so I won't see him again until I am sent to the lines. I will always be thankful for the forest I landed in because if it wasn't for that I would have a little marble slab with "X X., killed in action" over it. Experience is a hard teacher but believe me, it's the best. It was a narrow escape that I have had but somehow I feel as though I was saved, perhaps for greater, better things. I feel that a chance is left me to get "out there" and fight the good fight, to experience what has come down to us from our long line of fighting ancestry, the instincts and passions of a soldier, born, Yours, X. X.

PRIESTS IN THE TRENCHES

First of a Series of Papers on

Adapted from the French
by Anna Pearson Hall,
'18, Saint Joseph's
College.

M. Victor Bucaille has collected letters of military clergymen, and grouped them under four subheads: "The Soldier Priest;" "The Officer Priest;" "The Stretcher Bearer;" "The Chaplain." He has preceded each of these sections with a special introduction, pointing out the individualizing character of each, and supplying desirable explanations. Not without a live emotion does one lay down the "Letters of the Priests in the Army." What sufferings and what virtues are expressed on every page.

The Priests who are thus giving evidence of the honor of the clergy of France belong to different regions, and the seculars hold a no less important place than the religious. Among these last, without a doubt, the Jesuits hold first rank; but the other societies, the Missionaries of Africa notably have done well in their districts. The author has succeeded in his short article, in throwing into high relief some of the exalted virtues, Christian and priestly, of which the "Priests in the Army" are each day giving the most edifying spectacle.

Is it necessary to note here that the mobilized priests, are on all occasions, signalized by their bravery? Combatants or not, they have been courageous. They are fulfilling, in the service of France, the most diverse functions; there are even aviators among them: such was the Jesuit father, who has told so entertainingly of the "Acrobatics" of his pilot. But they all resemble each other by their worth.

None of them indeed, are bloodthirsty, and those who must work harm to the enemy do so with the greatest repugnance. "What a suffering!" writes one of them, "is always present to me; excruciatingly painful is the thought of dying while slaughtering men; for that I console myself with difficulty; I would have so much preferred to be a stretcher bearer, and at least die in saving the lives of others!" And he adds to this: "Ah well! I will do my duty, and if I must use a bayonet I will do so. Nevertheless, I do not wish to abandon myself to spiteful sentiments." Another soldier priest, to whom in the trenches the post of sentinel had been confided, writes: "Certainly my dream would have been to live in the midst of soldiers, to partake with them the same dangers, the same sufferings, but all the while wearing the cassock. Since this dream cannot be realized, and I have every permission to perform my duty, so little conformable to the priestly vocation, I am delighted to be here and I would not give up my place for the whole world." "With shot in the gun," tells one officer priest, "we prepare ourselves for the assault.... already my act of contrition is made and in spite of my instinctive revulsion, I resolve to do my best, and to be one of the first on the enemy, and though God knows my horror, even to injure or bayonet my victim."

The mission and the dangers of the stretcher bearers, as is shown by their many letters, are regarded with preference by the soldier priests and the chaplains: who can be surprised at this? But they do not shirk their duty for this reason. "Blessing upon the fighting priests!" cries an artillery officer, who says they are "the most heroic of the heroic." (Les plus poilus des poilus.) All affirm heartily that they do not fear death, and when God shall judge them "worthy" of death, they will go to Him with joy. They do not wish the people to be sad if they fall on the field of honor: "I intend to say to you while I have the time," writes a professor at the school of Fenelon d'Elboeuf, "that I do not wish, if you hear of my death one day or other and that is inevitable—that any should mourn. When the bells ring joyously the diem natalem of a priest, he must not be alone to rejoice. You must profit by this occasion to give a clear impression to children that death is not a catastrophe, when one has faith and does not fear to face his God. Do not forget that I rely upon you that the last act of my life be also a last sermon to those whom you have confided to me. If our Lord calls me, I will die, be assured, with this thought, with this hope and a thanksgiving for the Providence that has always been so good to me. And I dare hope, on the day when they will pray for me, that our little chapel at Fenelon will have nothing funeral about it."

To do the Will of God, in the manner that God wishes: examples of this thought and this resolution are multiplied, under the pen of the fighting priests. A Jesuit novice, corporal, tells "boldly" that they have shot out his right eye. "Our spiritual director," he adds, "often told us that the sufferings we do not choose are the best; you see that I serve! Nothing is left to me but to profit by this occasion. God has left me a spiritual eye, so I have not much to fear." Another says: "If I had known that I would not have been sent to the front as an ambulance driver, I

confess sincerely that I should not have left Africa," but he remained faithful to the post which had been confided to him, since it was there that God demanded he should sacrifice himself.

One can quite as well serve France, dedicate body and soul, suffer and indeed be exposed to death, elsewhere than on the fields of battle, or otherwise than with a gun and bayonet. How many a stretcher bearer, how many a chaplain, of whom one lauds the intrepidity and a glorious end, is none the less worthy of admiration than the most heroic of the combatants! To this, these letters of the army priests furnish superabundant proof.

"The world expects mobilized priests to be brave; it requires of them that they be good. We insist in our teachings and in our sermons on the goodness of God the Father, and on the love of the Redeemer; the faithful, and even those who have no faith, or who have lost what they had, would be scandalized not to find in the priests models of a virtue, so readily advocated."

To be continued next week.



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If you have been ransacking your memory as to what to give to some friends or relatives of yours at Christmas time—something which does not involve the outlay of a heavy expenditure and still will delight the receiver—then we would suggest that you look over the twelve Christmas values which we have listed here. They include gifts for men and women alike are always glad to receive. Special prices have been placed on them in order to give you an opportunity to secure whichever of them you may think appropriate at much less than you had figured on paying. Those articles just mentioned are but a dozen. There are hundreds and hundreds more equally appropriate and priced in such a way as to suit any size pocket book.

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