

The Chelsea Standard

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NO. 22.

A Yuletide Message To All!

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Christmas Decorations



MORE THAN FOUR HUNDRED ATTEND SCHOOL EXERCISES

Banquet in Auditorium Precedes
Christmas Pageant Given by
Public School Pupils.

In the most colorful display of costumes and scenery ever witnessed from a local platform, pupils of the public schools, more than two hundred in number, appeared in a splendid Christmas pageant before an audience of more than four hundred patrons and friends of the schools last Thursday evening. A sumptuous banquet was served approximately 440 persons prior to the entertainment, students of the high school serving. Chicken, the trimmings, and extras made up the tempting menu for the supper, with generous helpings of all served each guest.

Following the banquet and while guests made a tour of the building, high school boys cleared the floor of tables and arranged the chairs for the pageant showing, and immediately the curtain was drawn aside, disclosing one of the most beautiful outdoor scenes imaginable. Camp Fire girls and Boy Scouts furnishing the characters for the setting. Seated around the camp fire and wigwags, the girls sang Indian melodies which added to the reality of the scene, while lighting arrangements finished the effect, carrying the audience back several decades to the time when such scenes were enacted in natural American surroundings. Accompanying that part of the program was an Indian war dance about the camp fire staged by Boy Scouts in the role of warriors. Preceding and between each scene an Indian chief, standing outside the curtain, invoked the spirits of the past who showed how Thanksgiving was kept in America in the olden days.

Part two of the entertainment was a Christmas playlet entitled "Dreamland," which was given by the primary department. In the first act little Johnny went to sleep while waiting for Santa, and while asleep the fairies came and took him to dreamland. In the second act Santa's toys came to life and went to dreamland to entertain Johnny. In the third act the toy soldiers, teddy bears, marionettes, Japanese dancers, Jack-in-the-box, etc., perform for Johnny, much to his delight, and while as that of the audience. Fairies and elfs continue to hover around Johnny, and sleep keep him a will-drowsiness and sleep keep him a will-drowsiness in a variety of colors, costumes, and lighting effects both on the stage and from a spot-light in the rear of the balcony, together with the new stage scenery, produced scenic effects never before seen in Chelsea, and as good as seen in many of the large cities. Add to this a world of painstaking effort on the part of faculty members who trained the youngsters in their parts and there would yet be difficulty in appreciating the quality and thoroughness of the pageant by anyone not in attendance.

Between act numbers were given by the kindergarten band, a negro chorus, and Katherine Fletcher, xylophone soloist, all of whom were given great ovations for their parts in the program. During the banquet Smith's orchestra played a program of popular and semi-classical music.

SYLVAN TAXES NOW DUE

I will be at the store of W. P. Schenk & Company every Saturday to receive the taxes for 1926, and also the dog tax, until further notice. During the other days of the week taxes can be paid at the Kempt Commercial & Savings Bank.

WILLIAM H. PARSONS DIED SUNDAY MORNING

Wm. H. Parsons, aged 80 years, died at one o'clock Sunday morning, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. G. N. Evans of Morenci, where he was taken ill on Thanksgiving Day. For the past ten years he had made his home with his daughter, Mrs. H. E. Snyder of Scottsville. His former home was at Scottsville. He is survived by four daughters, Mrs. H. E. Snyder of Chelsea, Mrs. G. M. Evans of Morenci, Mrs. F. M. Bright of Lookout, Washington, Mrs. Blohm of Honor, Mich., three sons, Bert and William of Muskegon, and Jay of Scottsville, and several grandsons and granddaughters. The funeral was held Tuesday forenoon at 11:30 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Evans. The remains were shipped to Scottsville for interment.

IDEAL CLUB GIRL GIVEN CHICAGO TRIP

Gladys Egger who lives at Topaz in Ontonagon county typifies the ideal club girl in the opinion of leaders of boys and girls club work in this state. In order to express appreciation of the work which Gladys has done, the leaders awarded her a trip to Chicago to the Boys' and Girls' Club Congress.

Miss Egger is sixteen years old and now is completing her high school work. She has completed three years of garment club work and three years of the canning club project. During these years, this girl has won a county championship and a state championship in club activities. This year, the trip to Chicago was given her a sweepstakes prize.

Last summer the girls who live near Topaz wanted to enroll in a new club project, and to enable them to get this opportunity Gladys was appointed local leader for them when it was found impossible to get an older person to take the responsibility. In addition to this outside work, Gladys does the sewing for her family and puts up over a hundred cans of fruit and vegetables each summer. She also cared for a fair sized dairy herd last winter when her father was sick for six weeks.

Miss Emma DuBord, assistant state club leader, says that while Gladys is an outstanding example of the boys and girls enrolled in club work, many cases of the assuming of responsibility by such youngsters is found on the records of boys and girls club work. Club projects are planned to train the members to help themselves, their families, and their communities, according to Miss DuBord.

WASHTENAW COUNTY HOGS WILL BRING HIGHER PRICE

Ten cents per hundred extra will be available to farmers who market their hogs outside the county, if a certified statement signed by the chairman of the county board of supervisors, showing the hogs to have been raised in Washtenaw county, accompanies the hogs to market. The extra ten cents is made available because Washtenaw county is a quarantined county with stock tuberculosis tested and free from this disease. Hogs from this county are worth more because of this and consequently command a slightly higher price. While this would amount to little on one or two hogs, where large numbers are marketed the difference would be considerable and well worth while. Hog raisers should get in touch with County Agent H. S. Osler who will furnish the blank certificates and have them signed by Chairman A. J. Easton of the board of supervisors.

Our place of business will be open Friday evening, this week and next. We are paying 64c for butterfat. Ann Arbor Dairy Co.

FEW FOLKS WILL BE WITHOUT SANTA'S VISIT THIS CHRISTMAS

Generosity of Local Organizations and
Individuals Expected to Bring
Cheer to Many Homes.

While few homes in and about Chelsea will need the assistance of others in bringing about Santa's visit this Christmas, investigation has brought these few to the attention of organizations active in helping St. Nicholas bring the Christmas cheer to children who would otherwise be without, and through the Red Cross, Kiwanis club and other similar organizations, it is expected there will not be a home in Chelsea where evidence of the holiday spirit does not prevail. Baskets of provisions for some, clothing for others, toys and candy for the kiddies, will be carried to their destination by these helpers of Santa's on Christmas eve. And in order that none may be missed, those knowing of need for such Christmas assistance should report it to any member of either organization mentioned above.

That Santa's pack will be filled to overflowing for practically everyone hereabouts is indicated by reports from local business men to the effect that holiday buying has been liberal, and the quality of goods that of the best. Increased Christmas business over that of last year is indicated. Reports reaching here of the lack of Christmas business usually enjoyed in larger cities, brings realization of the fact that Chelsea is not yet suffering from unemployment and short pay envelopes which is curtailing the holiday buying in those places. A generally prosperous condition prevails throughout this community which promises a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

LIMA CENTER SCHOOL SUNDAY SCHOOL PROGRAM

The following Christmas program will be presented by the Lima Center Sunday school on Friday evening, December 24, at 7:30 o'clock. Everybody welcome.

Address of welcome—Lynn Dancer. Song of welcome—Primary and Intermediate classes. Scripture—Reading and Prayer—Rev. A. E. Kurth. Song—Chorus. Recitation—A Christmas Wish—Leonard Spiegelberg. Dialogue—The Christmas Story—Joy Dancer, Claire Coe, Hazel Spiegelberg, Blanche Finkbeiner, Paul Finkbeiner, Hubert Coe, Howard Dancer, Gerald Coe, Leatha Smith. Recitation—Big Words—Ronald Spiegelberg.

Dialogue—The Birth of Peace—Hubert Coe, Joy Dancer, Howard Dancer, Blanche Finkbeiner, Gerald Coe, Claire Coe, Paul Finkbeiner, Lucile Finkbeiner. Dialogue—The Christmas Idea—Lucile Finkbeiner, Joy Dancer, Blanche Finkbeiner, Claire Coe, Mario Finkbeiner. Piano solo—Elara Finkbeiner. Play—Real Christmas Blessings—Harvey Fischer, Lalah Huehl, Donald Dancer, Evelyn Koebbe, Nadene Dancer, Dorothy Koch. Address—Rev. A. E. Kurth. Pantomime—Holy Night—The school. Closing Address—Ronald Coe. Closing Song—Congregation.

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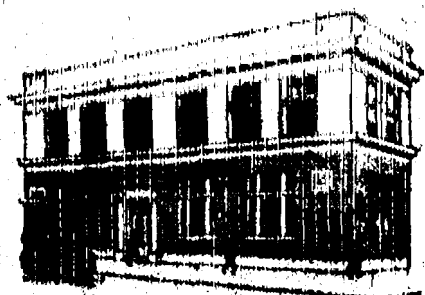
At the morning services last Sunday, the congregation of the local Congregational church presented their pastor, Rev. A. E. Potts, and family, with a Christmas gift of one hundred dollars. Next Sunday morning at 10:00 o'clock, Rev. Potts, in expressing his appreciation for the gift, will take for his subject, "The Way I Feel About the Christmas Gift of One Hundred Dollars from My Church." This service should be of interest to all members and friends of the church.

C. T. A. REPORT

The following is a record of dairy herds in the Chelsea-Washtenaw Cow Testing Association for month ending December 27: Cows tested, 308; cows dry, 47; 10 new cows wintered. 9 cows produced above 50 lbs. fat and 20 cows above 1250 lbs. of 50 pounds were tested. Average production per cow in the association was 506.9 lbs. milk and 23.2 lbs. fat. 6 grade cows were sold and 6 grade cows brought, 9 purebreds were bought.

Mullet's Eggs Standing
The bureau of fish and game has announced that the mullet is a native of the state and is not a pest. It was found in the lower part of the state in 1925. The mullet is a small, round, silver fish, about 4 inches long. It is found in the lower part of the state, particularly in the lower part of the state. The mullet is a native of the state and is not a pest. It was found in the lower part of the state in 1925. The mullet is a small, round, silver fish, about 4 inches long. It is found in the lower part of the state, particularly in the lower part of the state.

**SEND FORESTRY PRIMER
TO MICHIGAN SCHOOLS**
Through cooperation of the Michigan Forestry Association and the Michigan State Department of Education, 45,000 copies of the "Forestry Primer" will be distributed to the schools of Michigan, according to a plan of A. K. Chittenden, head of the forestry department and president of the forestry association. A copy of the "primer" will be placed in the hands of each of the teachers of the state. The "Forestry Primer" has been prepared by the Michigan Forestry Association and the Michigan State Department of Education. It is a primer for the schools of Michigan, and is intended to show the importance of forestry to the individual and to the state. It is a primer for the schools of Michigan, and is intended to show the importance of forestry to the individual and to the state.



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Editorial

CHRISTMAS

Unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

If there be no miracle in Heaven or earth, still is this the most potent benediction ever dropped into the wistful heart of mankind. The centuries measure their course, life's seasons revolve and write their changing fortunes upon us in lines of experience, war follows peace and peace war; and the manger of humility remains the shrine of our only hope.

It may be true that this ever-lasting age has enveloped Christmas with the favor of self-indulgence, that we exult too volubly all that is purely material profit, that we exhaust ourselves in a mad display of artificial generosity, that we translate a simple and beautiful story into an orgy of the marketplace; this may or may not be true, and each can swear for himself. But it is still true that, in a very instant of time, every man may find, undestroyed, the shrine of recollection hidden in his heart.

That seed of humanity, placed within us as the gift of sacrifice at birth, dies hard—at all. It is, after all, something real and filled with meaning, it belongs to the imperishable which, all matter of faith apart, must believe that right is better than wrong, kindness better than cruelty, sentiment better than cynicism. For there is something which is Eternal, something which re-creates, re-animates, resurrects, even though the understanding of it escapes us. We know that beneath the dead and frozen surface of the earth life breathes and waits its time. What, in the balance with this profound mystery, is the misanthropy of a withered intelligence?

Perhaps, a pity we ever grow up. Or do we? What is this miracle by which we recapture the imagination of belief that the flowering anew of childhood's simple faith? Is it the radiance of innocence which covers the earth and turns men's eyes, in Alaska, in India, in the distant outposts, and at the home hearths, to that group of shepherds plodding their way through the night to worship the birth of revelation. There is nothing engraved more indelibly on the heart of mankind than the infinite source of that Star which hope, and of that angelic chorus pouring down from the bursting heavens with the sublime proclamation: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

It needs something more than a smart sneer to rob the world of that majestic moment, be it allegory or circumstance; it needs something more profound than the piteous arrogance of intellectual self-deception to blot out from the consolidation of humanity the grand symposium of its transcending reassurance. It is sufficient if man finds himself borne, on the wings of Christmas, from the ends of the world straight to the heart of his better self; if the Star leads him, reverently, to the cradle of his good intentions.

"But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart." And so may we.

THE UNIVERSAL HOLIDAY

It was Charles Dickens who (according to a well-known practitioner of the amenities of book-collecting) made Christmas Day a universal holiday. And he did it by a little book, "The Christmas Carol," which, in the world, it has been called "A Christmas Carol," published just eighty years ago. Its cheer has penetrated into nearly every land under the sun, as the cheer of the last stanza of the carol drove away the fog and frost that hung about the black gateway of old Scrooge, the misanthrope, the night before Christmas. And there is still enough cheer left in that story to warm every heart in this vast city, whatever its degree of hardness, cynicism or disappointment may be.

The church took over the day into its sacred almanac from other calendars in which the day was celebrated as the birthday of the unconquered son of the skies, and made it the birthday of the "Son of God." But without losing its sacred character it has spread the tidings of that good-will which is and will ever be associated with the birthright in Bethlehem into every household, whether Jew or Gentile, Protestant or Catholic, whether with or without one of the faiths that found their equate in what is, to many of differing creeds—Christian, Jewish, Moslem holy land.

The pervasion of this community and of every community in this country and every community in many countries by the Christmas spirit at this season makes it the nearest to a universal holiday that the world knows, and the fact that a day of this import is more widely observed than any other is perhaps the best ground for hope that the world will be a better world as the Christmas comes.

Honesty may be the best policy, but telling the truth isn't always exactly polite.

If you want to make someone believe you, tell them something they want to hear.

Sometimes the answer to "Why didn't you come home?" is "So they can make a figure."

Who's Calling?



His Understanding
A certain Sunday school teacher exhausted every means within her power to give the children an understanding of the pillar of cloud and fire that guided the children of Israel. In one instance, however, her labor was in vain. A small boy electrified the family when arriving home by giving the astounding information that a caterpillar went before the people and showed them where to go.

Small Loss
A respected citizen of Keenebunk, Maine, has suffered of late from a slipping of the intellect which has caused much concern among his family and friends. One of the latter, meeting the afflicted man on the street, asked after his health. "You know," he replied, "I've lost my mind. But I don't miss it."—The Outlook.

Tunnel of the Alps
One of the largest tunnels of the Alps is the Alberg tunnel. This runs under the Alps at the Art mountains and it extends from Lungen to St. Anton, a distance of six and three-fourths miles.

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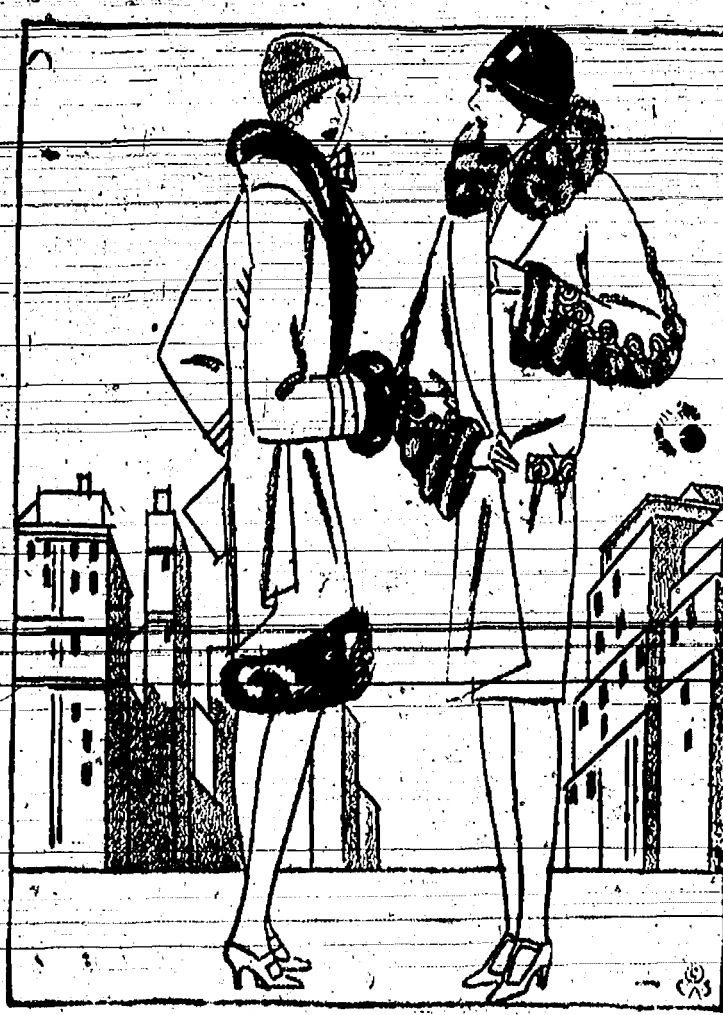
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Interesting pockets and collars, youthful pleats, the vestee, gay embroidery or braid add to the beauty of these frocks in velvets, silk and wool fabrics! Excellent styles for miss and matron at a very low cost!

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March 15/6

A MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR

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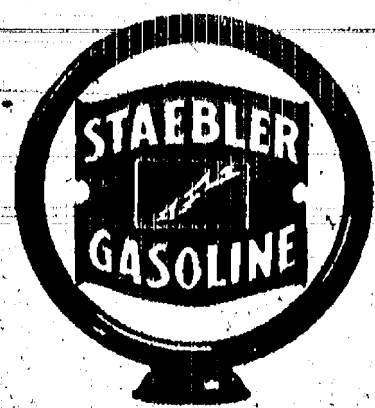
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Close Enough

I don't try to picture what heaven is like, for anybody; but when there's plenty on the table, and more where that came from, that's pretty much what I think it must be like.—Atlanta Constitution.

Immortal Song

The popular song, "Home, Sweet Home," was first sung to the American public on November 12, 1823. The occasion was the New York production of the opera or melodrama, "Clari, the Maid of Milan."



BREVITIES.

MANCHESTER—The new Jundie factory is getting ready to do business. We would like to hear the hum of industry there early in the new year.—Enterprise.

CLINTON—Albert Barnes, 85, was instantly killed at 4 o'clock Friday afternoon, when struck by an apple tree, which he was attempting to cut down.

DEXTER—The new hardware store of Fahrner & Heller has opened for business during the past week. Mr. Fahrner was engaged in the same business in Chelsea for several years. He is a native of Sylvan.

WILLIAMSTON—Estimates place the number of lambs fed in this part of Ingham county this fall at about 14,000, with something over \$125,000 paid to western farmers and ranchers by buyers from Mason, Danville and Leslie.—Enterprise.

SHARON—Sheldon Linde, who accompanied Albert Green on a trip to the south coast, returned last week with news that they reached the south on a good trip via Washington, and find the weather is fine. They stopped at towns along the way to exhibit and did a good business, at one place having the patronage of 500 Negroes besides the white people.

ANN ARBOR—Ward Sittler, 30, Indiana, was brought to Ann Arbor Friday and lodged in County jail to await hearing in circuit court on a charge of grand larceny. He had been arraigned before Justice E. O. Loveland at Milan and waived examination. Bail was fixed at \$500. Sittler is charged with having stolen a dog valued at \$150 from Emmet Henderson, shot.

STOCKBRIDGE—Fire early Wednesday morning destroyed the buildings on the Clarence Deal farm, in Danville village, including what is said to be the largest barn in Ingham county. Included in the loss was a Buick Master Six automobile, 4500 bushels of threshed beans, besides other tools and feed. The loss was only partially covered by insurance. A call for help was sent to Mason and Stockbridge. This village responded but was stopped about seven miles north of town and informed that the fire was beyond control.—Brief-Sun.

SOUTH LYON—W. E. Hastings, ornithologist, has in his possession a big Snowy owl that has been injured and is unable to fly. This species of owl is very rare in this locality, being a habitant of the Arctic regions. There appears to be a big southern migration of the snowy owl, the goshawk and the shrike—all birds of the polar country. The migration is said to be due to a shortage of food in the north. Mr. Hastings is expecting to place the owl in the museum at Ann Arbor. We understand there is a fine on shooting the snowy owl.—Herald.

PINCKNEY—Many farmers in this section who have raised sheep for years hardly believe that the 1000 acre tract of land west of town sold last week to Detroit parties will be used for sheep raising. L. C. Hendoe, who is one of the largest sheep raisers in this section, says that the greater part of the land in the tract sold is sandy land that for sheep raising clay land is best. Sheep will kill the grass on sandy land by their close cropping of it. This does not happen on clay land. Farmers with small flocks are able to raise them on sand land by changing them from one field to another. This would not be possible with a vast number.—Dispatch.

MASON—One week ago A. W. Jewett, Sr., had a fine flock of 150 native lambs which he was feeding for market and intended to shear in the spring. Last Saturday he had them treated by a veterinarian for worms and Sunday morning several were dead and since that time lambs have been toppling over fast. Experts from M. S. C. and the state chemist from Lansing have inspected the sheep and are now analyzing the stomachs and hearts of the dead lambs in an endeavor to find out what is wrong. Samples of the medicine are also being tested in laboratories to see if the prescription was

properly filled by the druggist and the ingredients used were of the proper strength. The flock was worth in excess of fifteen hundred dollars and Mr. Jewett claims the lambs are now practically worthless for feeding as those that have not died have lost much weight and are not eating.—News.

The Lonely Old Lady's Christmas Valentine

THE lonely old lady sat in the twilight as the evening star looked in through the window and wondered why she seemed so sad. The star was bright enough that Christmas Eve to guide anyone to goodness, but she who sat there did not appear to know it. There were yet a few sparks amid the ashes of the hearth fire, and warmth had not wholly departed from the room; there were points of light in the maze of memories that kept the past alive, and at heart the silent thinker was not cold, but darkness was creeping over solitude, and time was registering age, and the old lady was lonely.

There was a picture on the wall of one who had been the strength and joy of earlier days, but years had passed over his grave in a distant land.

There were other pictures looking down upon her with young and happy faces, but they were pictures of children who had blessed other homes, placed about to keep company with her dream children, and reminding her now again that she had none.

So the star might have known that there was reason for pensiveness as it tried to penetrate the gathering gloom and the mystery. But whether it learned the secret or not, it witnessed as it watched, a light in the dim room. For she had taken from a portfolio her most precious possession, and she was smiling upon it. It was an old valentine, the last that she had received from him who had never returned. It was inscribed "To My Valentine. Upon it sat Cupid, in a wreath of forget-me-nots, holding a high pyramid of large roses over a large, circular spider web, with two hearts entangled in it.

The star must have recognized that it was shining upon the deathlessness of love, and helping it to share the Christmas fellowship and cheer.—Christopher G. Hazard.

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THE DAY OF DAYS

RING out glad bells across the earth—Christmas has come again! Ring out the glad tidings from land to land, from shore to shore in peals of sounding joy, in crashing strains of tumultuous welcome. Christmas—the day of days! has come to cheer and gladden the earth again, to bring each and every one of us new hope and new faith. The old and the young, the grave and the gay, look for its coming with the same eager expectancy. For it is a day of gladness and optimism. For we never grow too old to catch the message of Christmas with which we greet it. Perhaps, as little children this delight manifested itself more plainly, yet it was not as deep, as heartfelt, as that which comes as we grow older. For each Christmas has added unto itself many dear associations, so many precious memories that we find ourselves treasuring the day more and more as the years go by. The love of those around our own home and hearts, the kind remembrance and good wishes of our friends, the host of sweet, unforgettable things that are ours at this time makes Christmas a day of happiness untold. Let the glad bells peal their tidings of joy—let holly and mistletoe hang everywhere—let merriment and thanksgiving and feasting prevail—for Christmas has come again.—Katherine Adams.

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Wonderful Reproduction
A prominent scientist relates experiments in which he saw, among snailmounds, the four legs, with their 88 bones besides the tail, with its vertebrate, reproduce six times within three months; while in others the lower jaw with all its muscles, vessels and teeth was regenerated. Another saw even the eye restored within the space of a year if the optic nerve remained behind the orbit.

Indians Without Salt

According to the "Handbook of American Indians," not all of the tribes of Indians were accustomed to using salt; whether from difficulty of procuring it, the absence of the habit, a repugnance for the mineral or for religious reasons, it is not always possible to say. Salt exists in enormous quantities in the United States, and it was not difficult for Indians to obtain it.

Age and Weight

Many authorities agree that after a person passes the age of thirty he should weigh from 10 to 20 per cent less than the weight given on scales as average. They explain that after that age a person has ceased to grow and does not need extra weight for building. It is, therefore, deemed unnecessary to tax the heart with pumping blood through tissues which are not actually needed.

Extend the Principle

An English inventor has produced a shoe that can be regulated to the growth of a child's foot. A great saving might be effected if the principle could be applied to the hats of a lot of men who have acquired a little belief fame.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

The Soul's Greatness

Never does the human soul appear so strong as when it foregoes revenge, and dares to forgive an injury.—E. H. Chaplin.

STALLING

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A TIME KILLER**

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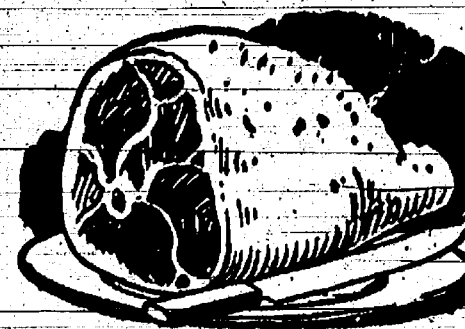
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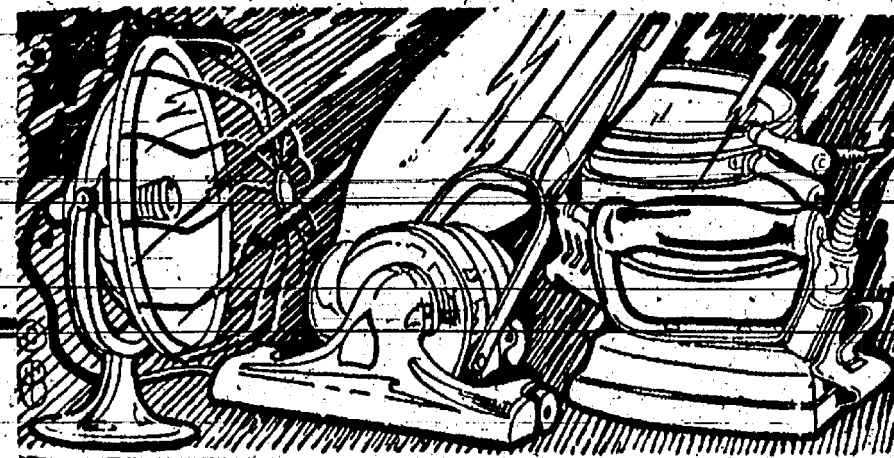
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A woman's day of keeping the household in order—cleaning, cooking, etc.—is wearisome, indeed. And, oft, no doubt she sighs for a "helping hand"—some aid that would give her more time for rest and recreation.

See that she gets it—yes, make her radiantly happy—by selecting her Christmas Gift from amongst our exceptional array of Electrical Household Appliances.

Chelsea Electric Light and Water Department



First Newspaper
The first newspaper ever published was the "Gazette of the City of London" in 1671. It was a small sheet of paper, only one page long, and it contained news of the day's events. It was a great success, and it was the first of many newspapers that have since been published.

Economic Advance
The economic advance has been made in the history of mankind. It is the result of the increasing power of man over nature, and it is the result of the increasing power of man over man. It is the result of the increasing power of man over the world.

St. Mary's won their second game
The girls' basketball team of St. Mary's won their second game when they defeated the Y. W. C. A. girls of Jackson at McKune Memorial hall Monday evening.

PERSONAL AND LOCAL
Mrs. Henry Schumacher was in Ann Arbor Monday.
Paul Conlan, from Detroit, was home over Sunday.
Mrs. Adam Eppier was in Ann Arbor, Monday.
Mrs. A. E. Johnson spent Monday in Ann Arbor.
L. B. Lawrence was in Detroit Saturday, on business.
Mrs. Ed. Gantner, spent Monday in Ann Arbor.
Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Purkhart and daughter were in Ann Arbor, Friday.
Walter Harper and Herbert Paul were in Ann Arbor Monday, on business.
Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Johnson will spend Christmas at North Lake, with Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Watts.
Mrs. Lina Whitaker spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Ann Arbor, with her daughter, Mrs. Henry Glazier.
Mapes and Plankell had a new limousine funeral coach delivered Wednesday, which makes a fine addition to their funeral equipment.
Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Wright and family, of Ithaca, N. Y., spent the week-end with Mrs. Wright's brother, S. A. Mapes and family.
Misses Gertrude and Marjorie Mapes, of River Rouge, spent the week-end at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Mapes.
Mr. and Mrs. Bennett Taylor, of Stockbridge, spent a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Johnson. They are enroute to spend the winter in Florida.
Grant Crowell, supervisor of tests of the Chelsea-Washtenaw Cow Testing Association, left Thursday for Cadillac, to spend Christmas with his parents and relatives.
Max Schoenhals, traveling salesman with the Ferry Seed Co., is home for the holidays, his first visit here since the first of July. He has been traveling through the middle and southwestern states.
E. P. Steiner will speak on his trip to the Holy Land at the Salem Evangelical church three miles north of Manchester, on Sunday evening, December 26, at 7:30 o'clock.
A. E. Hagen of Iron county, was selected as club agent of Washtenaw county at a meeting held Saturday in the court house. He will succeed Frank C. Essick, who recently resigned.

Never Out of Reach!

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Faith and Works
Faith sustains the same relation to works that lightning does to thunder. Faith without works is dead—lightning without thunder is ineffective. Works evidence faith; so does thunder, lightning—Robertson.

Uncle Eben
"Dat talk 'bout every cloud havin' a silver lining," said Uncle Eben, "is unconvincin'. If it was true, every man wit an alshup could make a fortune."—Washington Star.

Chelsea
Conlan
Wheeler
Cullhan
Webb
Harness
Miller
King
Chunter, 1 field goal; Calihan, 2 field goals; Conlan, 4 field goals; Wheeler, 13 field goals.

The St. Mary's boys of Chelsea won their game with St. Mary's team of Jackson, by a score of 19 to 10. The game was also played in the local hall Monday evening.

After Santa's Visit



CHRISTMAS is a time of secrets,
So I'll whisper one to you,
Grandpa says that all who try it,
Find that every word is true,
"Would you have a happy day?"
Give some happiness away."

Grandpa says this little secret
Should be carried through the year,
And if all would try to heed it,
Earth would soon be full of cheer,
"Would you have a happy day?"
Give some happiness away."

—H. A. Lynan

PEACE HAPPINESS

Memories are Golden

When they cluster about the pleasant scenes and transactions of life in which we and our friends have found both joy and profit. Christmas never fails to stir up afresh the recollection of happy days in which past pleasures add their meed of gladness to the present enjoyments of the season. As our dealings with you during the past year have been most satisfactory to us, and we sincerely trust, to you, we take occasion now to express our wish that your Christmas will bring you memories of many past pleasures to add with innumerable present ones, and that all through the New Year it will itself become one of the happiest of memories.

VOGEL & WURSTER

HEALTH PLENTY

COMMISSIONERS' NOTICE
No. 21093
State of Michigan, County of Washtenaw, ss.
The undersigned having been appointed by the Probate Court for said County, Commissioners to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands of all persons against the estate of Mary Cagney, late of said county, deceased, hereby give notice that four months from date are allowed, by order of said Probate Court, for creditors to present their claims against the estate of said deceased, and that they will meet at the law office of Cavanaugh & Burke, Ann Arbor Savings Bank Bldg., in the City of Ann Arbor in said county, on Friday, the 20th day of February, and on Monday, the 25th day of April next, at ten o'clock A. M., of each of said days, to receive, examine, and adjust said claims.
Dated December 21, 1926.
FRED T. STOWE,
ALTA M. HOPPERT,
Commissioners.

ORDER FOR PUBLICATION
No. 21093
State of Michigan, County of Washtenaw, ss.
At a session of the Probate Court for said County of Washtenaw, held at the Probate Office in the City of Ann Arbor, on the 20th day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.
Present, Hon. Jay G. Pray, Judge of Probate. In the Matter of the Estate of Mary Cagney, deceased. Rev. Michael P. Bourke, special administrator of said estate, having filed in this court his final account, and praying that the same may be heard and allowed.
It is Ordered, That the 18th day of January next, at ten o'clock, in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be appointed for hearing said account. And it is further Ordered, That a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said time of hearing, in the Chelsea Standard, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County of Washtenaw.
JAY G. PRAY,
Judge of Probate.
(A true copy)
Nora O. Borgert, Register. 1-6


Parent Birds Kept Busy
Animals and birds work hard only when they have young to feed. The industry of a pair of blue tits with eight or ten youngsters in the nest is almost miraculous. The old birds are at work 17 hours out of the 24 and each makes 15 or 20 journeys an hour in search of food for the nestlings.

"Pathfinder" Trip
At 12:50 P. M. John C. Fremont, the "Pathfinder," 75 days to make the trip from California to New York with his wife and daughter. They set out from San Francisco on New Year's day.


Just Naturally Wrong
Blinkers—There are two things a blinker has that always are wrong. One is "I know one, who's the other?" Blinkers—A watch is one and a husband, of course, the other.—Cincinnati Enquirer

SILVERTOWN ON THE AIR

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Tire buying audience



Tire service can be bought by the yard, like cloth. When you need tires, come here and we'll serve you with the most economical buy for the service you need.



Goodrich Silver Towns

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David Mohrlock
Chelsea, Mich.

GOOD WORDS; GOOD ACTS

In this period of generous fellowship and happiness we hope that good words and good acts will be heaped one upon the other all about you and that 1927 will open the way for greater usefulness in which prosperity and contentment will be your reward.

W. F. KANTLEHNER

Earliest Mirrors
Mirrors of glass were first made at Venice in 1300, and judging from those still in existence they were very rude contrivances compared with those of modern make. The first attempt to back the glass with silver was made by Liebig in 1833.

Red Sea
Why the inland sea was originally called "Red" is unknown. One authority suggests that the word "red" may refer to the inhabitants of that region. Another thinks the name was due to the great number of reddish plants which live in the water. Hebrew name of the sea is Yam Suph, sea of bulrushes.

Lunar Formation
The lunar ring-plum hypothesis is located at the termination of the Apennine mountain range. One of the most conspicuous lunar formations is Copernicus, located not far from Earth's horizon. It is a little north of east of the moon's center and about one-third of the distance from the center to the circumference.

Telling Time by Knots
One of the earliest methods of telling time was that of tying a piece of rope in which knots had been made at intervals. When the rope turned to one knot it was one o'clock. When it reached the second knot it was two o'clock, etc.

Talent Not to Be Hidden

There is no man so humble as not to have received some legacy, some talent, which properly developed, will be valuable to himself and a blessing to his fellows. Every man owes it to himself and his fellows to make the most of his talent.—Gitt.

Deep Winter Sleep

The jumping mouse, or kangaroo mouse, is a common wild rodent which lays up no store for winter, but constructs a warm nest, in which it spends the winter in a state of dormancy more profound than that of any other American animal.

FRANCISCO

The funeral of Wm. Bartig, who died at a hospital in Jackson last week, was held Thursday, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Lillie Rothman near Waterloo. Mr. Bartig had been in ill health for a long time back and had been in the hospital for treatment at different times. Besides his daughter, Mrs. Rothman, he is survived by another daughter, Mrs. Neva Lee of Vandenberg cemetery, Waterloo, where his wife and son, Percy, were buried about ten years ago.

Among those from here who were in Chelsea last week were Mrs. Minnie Plowe, Mrs. Henry Froy, Mrs. Nora Notten, Henry Bohne and Miss Velma Bohne.

Mrs. Emma Young had the misfortune to fall on the ice last week and break her arm.

Mrs. Nina Lehman and children and Mrs. Henry Kalmbach were in Jackson last week, where the children visited Santa Claus.

Christmas programs will be given at the church Wednesday evening and at the school house Thursday evening.

Morris Hammond visited relatives in Ann Arbor, Monday.

Mrs. Mary Willy was a recent Chelsea visitor.

Mrs. Carrie Wulferth has returned to Ann Arbor after spending some time with her sister, Mrs. Minnie Plowe. She expects to return next week.

Haunt of Crocodiles

The delta of the Ganges river is cultivated. In the southern part of the delta bordering the sea is a dismal network of swamp land known as the Sundarbans. This swamp land is infested with crocodiles, tigers and other wild animals. Three distinct species of crocodiles are found in the Ganges—the fresh-water, long-nosed gaviel; the menacing koomah; and the mugger.

Varied Chinese Currencies

There are 200 or more distinct currencies in use in China. Some of these are good in all provinces, some are good in a few and worthless in others. Some are good only in the province where they originate. The value of the currencies that pass in various provinces is by no means the same in all parts of the country.

CALL 75 for TAXI.

Adv.

UNADILLA

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Allen of Lansing called at the Claude Rose home, Sunday.

Ruth and Agnes Watson spent Saturday in Ann Arbor.

Roy Shelhart and daughter, Lucile, were in Indiana the first of this week. W. J. Durkee of Jackson, spent Sunday at the home of A. J. May. The Sunday school will give a program and Christmas tree Friday evening at the M. E. church. Everybody welcome.

Edu. Teaschout is spending the week with her sister at Brighton.

Mrs. Fannie Hill and son Ray, Isabelle Bowdish and Marion Cragma were in Ann Arbor, Saturday. M. Heselshewer is moving on the M. E. Kuhn farm near Gregory.

England's Ancient Clocks

Old clocks have been recorded every now and then, but England claims two clocks that are more than 400 years old. One at a church in Rye parish, erected in 1515, is still running with the original mechanism, while one in Berkshire that has been faithfully telling time for 400 years is still working, though recently repairs had to be made to it.

Sifted Opinions

Think ye are men, deem it not impossible for you to err; sift impartially your own hearts, whether it be force or reason or vehemency of affection, which hath bred and still doth feed these opinions in you. If truth do anywhere manifest itself, seek not to smother it with glossing delusions, acknowledge the greatness thereof, and think it your best victory when the same doth prevail over you.—Richard Hooker.

Inauguration Day

The fourth of March was chosen as the date for the Presidential inauguration because Benjamin Franklin found that this date fell on Sunday fewer times than any other during the next two centuries, says an answered question in Liberty.

New Thought

Six-year-old Dorothy, on a recent motor trip to Richmond, made the following exclamation as she passed the cemetery just west of Greenfield: "Oh, daddy, just look at the people that beat us dead."—Indianapolis News.

PERSONAL AND LOCAL

H. H. Lyons was in Detroit Thursday, on business.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Fenn were Detroit visitors, Sunday.

Miss Mary Miller spent the first of the week with relatives in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Schoenhals were Brighton and Howell visitors, Sunday.

James Grove, of Bluffton, Indiana, is spending this week in Chelsea.

Miss Anna B. Tichenor spent the past week with relatives and friends in Battle Creek.

Mrs. M. A. Lowry is spending this week at the home of her son and daughter in Ann Arbor.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Aldrich were guests Sunday of relatives in Adrian.

Mrs. Grace Beck of Jackson, was a guest at the home of her mother, Mrs. Clara Faulkner, Friday.

Miss Ida Keusch, of Detroit, was a week-end visitor at the home of her mother, Mrs. Philip Keusch.

Henry Heininger accompanied his son, Harvey, to Hudson Wednesday, on a business trip.

Miss Lola Grabill, who has been employed in Jackson for some time, is assisting in the local postoffice during the Christmas rush.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Steele and daughter of Detroit, were week-end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Hummel.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Tucker and Mrs. Allen Tucker of River Rouge, were callers at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Hulce, Sunday.

Miss Dora Davis, who has been spending some time at the home of Miss Jessie Everett, has returned to her home in Kalamazoo.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Storms were in Northville Sunday afternoon, where they attended the Wayne Training School Christmas exercises.

H. E. Snyder is absent this week from his place of business, on account of the death of his father-in-law, W. H. Parsons.

John Guthrie and daughter, Gladys, of Fulton, were guests Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Pierce of Lima.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Mast, of near Ann Arbor, were guests Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Nicolai.

Mrs. Joseph Meyer returned from Denver, Colorado, this week, where she has been attending a health school.

Born, on Saturday, December 18, to Mr. and Mrs. Norman Schmidt, of Grant street, a daughter, Elaine Jeanette.

Mrs. Dorothy McWatters of Detroit, was a week-end guest at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Speer.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Faber of Jackson, spent Tuesday at the home of his mother, Mrs. Wm. Faber and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Depew of Palmerton, Pa., were guests several days the first of the week at the home of his sister, Miss Elizabeth Depew.

Welland Gay, who spent several days of the past week at the home of Miss Jessie Everett, has returned to his home in Washington, D. C.

Mrs. S. W. Tucker, who has been spending the past few weeks in Chelsea, returned to the home of her son, Allen Tucker and family of River Rouge, Sunday.

Miss Lenora Welch of Dexter, was a Chelsea visitor Monday, and she also attended the basket ball game in McKine Memorial hall in the evening.

Mrs. Kate Eisenman-Hawley is making arrangements to entertain on Christmas, her sons and daughters and their families, who are residents of Detroit.

Last Minute Gifts for Last Minute Shoppers

You can do your last-minute buying here and feel sure you have purchased a gift of lasting usefulness and beauty. Look the list over carefully—

Watches	Genuine Pyralin Toilet Sets
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Buttons	Bill Folds
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Knives	Compacts in silver and white gold in very attractive designs.
Cuff Buttons	
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May They Each Be HAPPY DAYS

With a full calendar before you, labeled with 365 days, we are expressing the hope that each of them will be happy days—days of opportunity, sunshine and good cheer for each of our friends.

Your patronage has been appreciated to the utmost during the past year and we respectfully invite a continuation of the relations that have been so happy to us.

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EVENINGS AFTER CHRISTMAS

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Provided That:

"Do You Think Santa Is a Little Time?"

"Why, not quite so little later, perhaps," ten carefully, perhaps his best."

Small David stood at the window and cocked "I think," he said "I hear you!"

The family—rather David in the next—he was much to do. He looked up. "Where's asked.

David had disappeared about hunting for room. No David. heard a faint noise on Father stepped out to As small, square figure nose was bending-o-

"Son!," called-father doing our here?"

"S-s-s-h!" warned "Father stepped near the "See!" said small David on tip-toe to whisper. out a howl of breakers. Claus. He might get - Father gathered-up and pleased.

"That's the very fine know of any one Santa's comfort. I thought The right hold note morning small next pinned to his stool.

THANK YOU FOR MY BOWL OF BRIMBURY-SAN

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His Christmas Eve and It All

HE WAS SUCH a—having that night at him and forgot going to say, when she gave him a lecture about cate tail. And when he took to the hospital ward, and passed up wards with a smile or flower for every sufferer though an angel—but it was in his cozy that he had a dream he had day dreams, as dreams. There he er Bethlehem, and "Bethlehem, and "Bethlehem, and "Bethlehem, and her brother "Dad chimney shelf was a Claus, and near it registered a few of preferred chocolate horns than' chocolate horns amounted to mere. His white rabbit mess chipmunk skin—that for his garage built automobile. There in a radior in the room, happy thoughts and sounds. "Listen," he lehem, "I hear them sing he cried, "he's most look there's the star!"

And it was so. They brought all that. Imvisioned, and the dark glorious light of singing—Christmas O. H.

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Sounds Reasonable

"Pop, I want Santa razor for Christmas." "What is the world with a razor?" "Well, you call me don't you?"

Singing Christmas Carols

Christmas carols will beauty to the holiday they will bring about communal singing.

Flowers for Christmas

When flowers are why not give a few bulb plant as a Christmas present woman who likes flowers?

Children and Christmas

It is good to be children and never better than when its mighty Founder Himself.—Dickens.

All Glory Be to God

All glory be to God on his And to the earth be peace Good-will and henceforth from men Begin, and never cease.

Christmas Emblem

As an emblem for Christmas, up with the mistletoe and crushed-pocketbook.

Now Gathers in

Originally a scandal was Atech wild animals.

Nothing to Hurt

Lined, three years old lying in bed all morning didn't feel well. At noon dinner in bed, he now up, but his mother thought better remain in bed. Who

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Accept, if you please, our sincere thanks for your 1926 business.

We want to serve you during 1927.

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CHELSEA, MICHIGAN

SANTA KNOWS HOW



GOOD SEED BRINGS OAT CHAMPIONSHIP

Good seed of an adapted variety has brought the oat championship of Michigan to William Schweitzer, Bay county farmer, who grew 964 bushels of oats on nine and one-half acres, a yield of slightly more than 101 bushels to the acre. He has been unofficially named champion oat grower of the Michigan Crop Improvement Association by officials of the organization.

The farm on which the record yield was produced is composed of low-lying, heavy, black soil known for its productivity but on which oat growing is attended by the risk of having the crop go flat about the time it ripens. Worthy oats, a variety with stiff straw developed at M. S. C. several years ago avoids much of this danger according to Mr. Schweitzer and has always produced well. This is the third successive year that his oat yield has exceeded 95 bushels to the acre.

Statistics on yields over Michigan show that Mr. Schweitzer produced a crop on his nine and one-half acres as valuable as the average Michigan farmer produces on 29 and one-half acres.

Sing Heigh-Ho! Unto

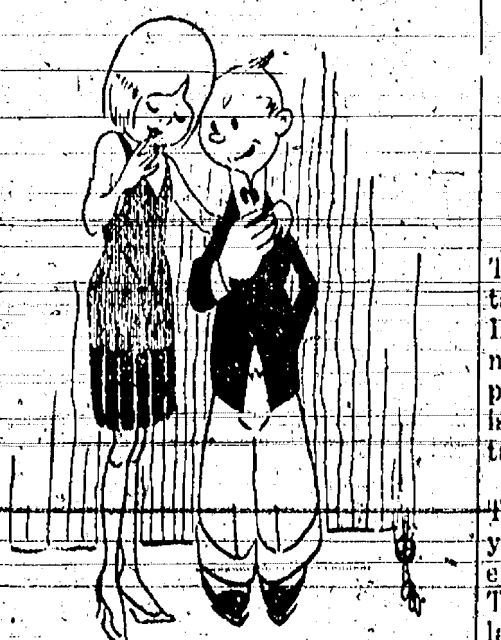
The Christmas Holly

NOTHING quite so typifies the spirit of Christmas as a bough of beautiful, glistening holly and scattered holly leaves. Holly seems the quintessence of Yule and should generally do duty as the place of honor in Christmas decorations. There are states where the holly isn't to be found in great abundance. In some sections of the South a limited supply of holly is made to serve the purpose. For profuse decorations other greens fashioned from sprays of Irish yew whose fan-like, and holly foliage is ideal for this use; and, too, there are the beautiful, waxy leaves from the magnolia as well as cedar.

But the holly bough, of course, of all Christmas greens is the loveliest and most popular, not only here but in other lands and in France, in particular, as holly grows in quantity. The holly is not slow growth and propagated by seed which do not germinate until the second year. We think of holly berries always as being red, but some kinds bear yellow fruit, some white, and others even black.

The holly has a commercial value that isn't generally known. Its evergreen and hard wood is ivory white and is used for inlaying and as an ebony substitute for top handles and other articles, when stained. The leaves are used in medicine. —Frances Marshall-Morgan.

Some Hubbies Are Brave



She: "What were you thinking of giving me for Christmas, hubby?" He: "I was thinking of some nice warm woolen stockings, dear."

First Christmas Trees

Christmas trees became popular in the United States about the same time that they were introduced into England. In England the first Christmas trees were set up in the royal palace of St. James at the time Queen Victoria married the prince consort, in 1840.

WATERLOO

Christmas exercises will be held at the church on Friday evening. Everyone welcome. The offering will go to the Otterbein home.

Rev. and Mrs. Moger visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Gorton on Sunday.

Arthur Walz is having a Delco lighting plant installed at his home. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Walz and Miss Edith Runciman spent Monday in Jackson.

The 1st U. B. church will serve a chicken pie supper in the church basement on Wednesday evening, December 29.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Vicary and children spent Saturday in Jackson.

The 2nd U. B. church received a Christmas tree to the value of \$50, in the form of 8 choir chairs and a register board, from a former member, Mrs. Sarah S. Avery of California. Mrs. Avery will be remembered as a sister of Henry, Orville and Lewis Gorton and aunt of Lynn E. Gorton. The new curtains for the church, bought and made by the Ladies' Aid, will be used on Christmas eve.

NORTHEAST LYNDON

Fred Hadley was in Detroit Saturday.

The Misses Corrine and Virginia Palmer and Eloise and Helen Hadley who have been ill with the mumps, are able to attend school this week.

Edward Colings is visiting his son, Ralph at Chelsea, at present.

District No. 10 will hold their Christmas entertainment Friday afternoon of this week.

Pauline Clark is driving a new Ford sedan. Mrs. Veva Kalmbach and daughter attended a farewell party given in honor of Mrs. E. Lyons of Sio, Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hadley were Jackson visitors Saturday of last week.

Jay Hadley visited at the home of Fred Hadley Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Patrick McBride and son Junior, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hadley.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Hadley entertained Mr. and Mrs. Max Kalmbach and daughter Sunday.

Saturday, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Hadley received a box of oranges from their son, Ray and family, of Florida, who are making their home there this winter.

Mrs. Margaret Hadley and children were Jackson visitors Saturday.

PLEASE VOICE OVER TELEPHONE IS REAL ASSET

Your voice is your telephone personality. A pleasing and interesting voice that sounds perfectly natural on all occasions is a valuable asset. People who possess telephone personality have learned to control their voices so that, even if they are angry or excited or mentally distressed, they do not allow these emotions to be put on the wire and passed along to some one else who is not responsible for them.

The voice over the telephone, if it is the right kind of voice, can do a multitude of things. It can acquire friends for its owner; it can sell goods, make convincing arguments, assist in the education of children, pass along information, conduct business and even preach salvation. But if it hasn't been properly cultivated it can do none of these things.

One of the worst types of telephone voices is the one that employs the "I don't care" tone. Then there is the cold, formal tone in answer to a simple request; the nasty, sneering tone; the flippant, nobody-home tone and the colorless lack of interest tone which is like shaking hands with a person who merely extends his fingers in your direction.

Lack of concentration is one of the chief faults in talking over the telephone. If a person is indifferent, or lazy, or if he is trying to do something else at the same time that he is carrying on his telephone conversation, even if he succeeds in doing it, his voice betrays to the party at the other end of the line that he is not paying entire attention to the conversation. This is apt to cause resentment and is especially unfortunate in business houses where a person who calls up and places an order by telephone should receive the same considerate attention that he and she would receive if calling in person at the place of business.

The Joke Turned

A motorist touring in Ireland one day met a native who was driving a donkey. Thinking he would have a little fun at the man's expense, he said, "What a fine donkey you have. It is a fine friend, what is the difference between your turn-out and mine?" "Oh, not a great deal," promptly replied the Irishman, "Shure the donkey's in the shafts 'n' wan and on the seat in the other."

Christmas Comes

Heads of families think it is remarkable what a short time there is between Christmas.

The Christmas Tree

It requires the sweet adaptability of the child mind to enable its recent admirer to revel in a bonfire made of the Christmas tree.

Eat It by the Ton

Twelve hundred tons of plum pudding are consumed in London at Christmas.

Start Day Early

In Finland it is a custom to attend church services at five o'clock on Christmas morning.

Stains on Wood

Never allow ink or grease stains to remain on wood, but deal with them at once. Dab the ink marks with oxalic acid diluted with an equal amount of water. When they have faded, carefully wash away all trace of the acid with hot water.

Cause and Effect

All successful men have agreed to one thing—they were unsuccessful. They believed that things went not by luck but by law; that there was not a week or a cracked link in the chain that joins the first and last of things. —Emerson.

TO OUR FRIENDS AND PATRONS

1926—

May the Merry Chimes of the Christmas Bells as they ring out in this Glad Season awaken only joyful responses in Your Hearts, and may their Harmonious Music linger in Your Lives through all the Year, in our Sincere Wish.

—1927

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114 W. Middle St.
Chelsea
Phone 128-W

AUCTION!

Having decided to quit farming, we will sell at public auction at the Michael Mohrlock farm, 2 1/2 miles west of Chelsea on M-17, on

Tuesday, December 28, 1926

commencing at 10 o'clock sharp, the following property:

Six Durham cows, date and Two good work horses age will be given at sale

7-ft. Deering binder, nearly new, Deering mower, grain drill, Moline horse rake, new Moline two horse cultivator, Moline plow, hay tedder, 23 tooth spring drag, steel land roller, two wagons, set bobsleighs, wood and stock rack, set of dump planks, caldron kettle, set of harness, new Delaval separator, lard and wine press, grindstone, other tools too numerous to mention. About 6 tons timothy, 4 tons alfalfa, one ton marsh hay, quantity corn, 50 new crates, 22 ft. ladder. A-1 coon and skunk dog. All household goods.

Lunch and Hot Coffee at Noon

TERMS: \$10 and under, cash; over that amount, one year's time on good notes at 6 per cent interest.

MOHRLOCK BROS.

E. W. DANIELS, Auct.

Are You Toxic?

Well, Then, to Learn the Importance of Good Elimination.

FUNCTIONAL inactivity of the kidneys permits a retention of waste poisons in the blood. Symptoms of this toxic condition are a dull, languid feeling, drowsy headaches and, sometimes, toxic backache and dizziness. That the kidneys are not functioning as they should is often shown by scanty or burning passage of secretions. Many readers have learned the value of Doan's Pills, stimulant diuretic to the kidneys, in this condition. Users everywhere endorse Doan's. Ask your neighbor!

DOAN'S PILLS
60c
Stimulant Diuretic to the Kidneys
Doan Medicine Co., Mfg. Chem., Buffalo, N. Y.

Sessions of Congress
The Constitution provided that the Congress should assemble March 4, 1800, and thereafter convene the second session on the first Monday in December unless they shall by law appoint a different day. Up to and including July 20, 1820, 18 sets were passed fixing dates other than December. Since then, with few exceptions, Congress has convened in December.

Mosquito Victims
Professor Johnson says that a mosquito will not bite anyone who is mosquito-bitten. Mosquitoes have their private sorrows. —Pamphlet Show, London.

The Community Supper Really Like Christmas

"THESE community suppers are always so stupid!" declared a pretty girl to a small group around her. "I wish we could put some pep and fun into this one and give the people a good time. Something really like Christmas, and not so dull."

The others looked dubious and scratched their heads. "What'll we do?" they asked. "I know!" declared the pretty girl. "Just get the idea. Now, listen every one! Why not imitate the way they used to do in olden times? A minstrel in the gallery, lots of minstrels! Singing and playing on harp and lute! Hide them by screens covered with gossamer. Let the people go seated at the tables, then all pipe up with old songs every one knows. Dress the minstrels in gay colors. Then have them come down the stairs singing and playing. Let them wind among the tables. Have a jester in front joking and making fun. A real old English custom. It will help a lot and give the diners a good time."

"And," added another, fired with an enthusiasm, "red candles on the tables, wreaths at all the windows, wall-papers with red ribbons about their heads and a sprig of holly tucked over one ear."

"Not to mention," laughed a third, "a dinner of roast turkey, cranberry sauce, mashed potatoes, rolls, coffee and mince pie!"

"Right-o!" said the rest. The very next community supper that was ever given in that town. —Patience Eden. (© 1926, Western Newspaper Union.)

When is a Real Estate Title Not a Title?

The answer is simple: When it contains a flaw. Is your title perfect? Do you know? If not perfect, you never know when some one may appear to contest it. Furthermore, it is almost impossible to sell real estate without a perfect title.

Let us explain the advantages of title insurance in detail. Let us show you how to obtain protection for every dollar you have invested in land. The cost is so low it is folly to delay.

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Ann Arbor

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Merry Xmas

In case you have forgotten someone—We still have a good assortment of suitable gifts to pick from.

GIFTS FOR

HER

Toilet Sets
Toilet Waters
Perfumes (Tijan, Colgate, Hudnut, Ier-kiss, etc.)
Stationery, the newest in Holiday lines.
Box Candles
Ivory Mirrors, Combs, Trays
Toilet and Manicure Accessories
Sterling Silver Spoons at cost while they last.

Cigars, numerous brands and prices.
Safety Razors, all kinds
Flash Lights
Pipes
Playing Cards, gold edge in leather cases.
Shaving and After-Shave outfits
Bill Folds
Lunch Kits complete
Fishing Rods, Reels, and Lines

Thermos Bottles and Food Jugs. Hot Water Bottles guaranteed for one year. Fountain Pens and Eversharp Pencils, best makes.

Good Christmas Candies, a half dozen different kinds, 20c pound. Fresh mixed and assorted nuts at right prices.

Christmas Cards and Booklets, all prices.

YOURS FOR A VERY MERRY XMAS

BURG'S

DRUGS

GROCERIES

CHRISTMAS GIFTS THAT COUNT MOST

HENRY came home from town the day before Christmas and handed Mrs. White a package, saying with a grin:

"Grandma Cook sent you a Christmas present."

"Why, bless her dear old heart," Mrs. White cried, "what in the world is it?"

"Well," answered Henry, "she said she had made some soap, and that the batch turned out so well she wanted you to have some; she said it made a fine suds, and that she wished you a Merry Christmas."

And sure enough, when Mrs. White unwrapped the clumsily tied package, there was a brick of home-made yellow soap, smelling strongly of sassafras.

A friend of the family who was present was inclined to take the matter as a joke.

"What a funny thing," she laughed, "I didn't suppose anyone made soap at home nowadays."

But the bar of aromatic cleanser meant more to Mrs. White than a mere piece of soap. It stood for friendship. It was a symbol of service gladly given. Grandma Cook's soap was a real gift, something she thought was very nice and therefore wanted to share with one she liked.

Oh, when will we get away from the idea gifts must represent money, that we cannot give unless we have the wherewithal to purchase the glittering wares displayed in the window and on the counter, during the holiday season?

Last Christmas a friend happened to look out of a window and espied a neighbor's little boy coming to the gate; his secret air and careful tiptoeing up the walk made the friend see behind a curtain, where he could see without being seen. Cautionously the boy crept upon the porch and his little face breaking into smiles, deposited a newspaper-wrapped bundle at the door, then still tiptoeing, he hurried down the walk and out of the gate.

Waiting until he was out of sight, so as not to spoil the surprise, his friend opened the door and, upon undoing the parcel, found a tiny basket made of cardboard and covered with gaudy red and green paper, put on with many a glancing stitch and smear of glue. It contained several pieces of hard, striped candy, a homemade yarn ball, some broken nut meats, and a broken-bladed jack-knife.

Frankie Herbert, sweet, doubtless his most cherished possession. —Frankie Herbert, Sweet.

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NATURE'S GIFTS

NATURE is busy at Christmas time getting ready her presents. Sometimes she is delayed a little, again she is ahead of time, but invariably she bestows exquisite gifts upon people.

There are the trees and the fields, bare, black and ugly after the radiance of autumn has left them. Nature garbs them for Christmas as part of her lavish gifts to human kind.

The trees are covered with snow, and icicles of crystal beauty ornament ledges, eaves and rocks. Sometimes the trees are glittering with nature's art, their bending of snow and rain and ice so that they gleam as jewels upon the winter scene.

Fields are covered with snow, which rests softly and kindly upon their great, brown surfaces and many colors dance in sparkling reflection between the sun's rays and the white snow.

Nature wishes us a Merry Christmas in so lovely a way! —Mary Graham Bonner.

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Wrap Gifts Attractively
A good deal of the cheer of a Christmas gift is in the way it is

wrapped up, and this year there are any number of new and attractive boxes, papers and ribbons. Quite the most unusual way of giving silk stockings is to enclose three pairs of children's in a box of lacquer in a shade of Chinese red, old gold, or black. These are tied with bright-colored or gold cord and the effect is delightful.

Poor Fish



"Gee, I wish Santa would get a diving suit!"

At Christmas Time

The feet of the humblest may walk in the field. Where the feet of the holiest tread, this, then, is the marvel to mortals to see. When the silver trumpets of Christmas have pealed, that mankind are the children of God. —Phillips Brooks.

Helping Santa Claus

Children had had such a lolly pop Christmas. Their joy and delight had been a joy and delight to see. But that Christmas afternoon she heard of a story that saddened her. A little girl and a little boy had gathered a tree from the woods and had left it for Santa Claus to trim.

Eagerly Christmas morning they had gone down stairs to see the tree, but it was just as they had left it. Santa Claus had not come, and they had followed all the rules they had been told about calling up the chimney to him.

Their family were both poor and lacking in imagination. Struggle and ill-health had driven any lurking imagination from them.

So she went that evening, her arms laden with tree decorations and odds and ends of candles and toys and asked if she might trim the tree. The next morning the children were told that Santa Claus had not forgotten them—he had had to dash over to the next town to do so much that he had been delayed. Santa Claus needs his assistants and no job in the world is much more fun than that of being an assistant to Santa Claus. —Mary Graham Bonner.

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Christmas Greens

The custom of hanging evergreens in the house during the yuletide originally had a purpose beyond that of decoration. In olden days each kind of evergreen was believed to confer special blessings on those who passed beneath its boughs. To pass under holly insured good fortune throughout the year, bay meant victory, while laurel was supposed to impart a spirit of beauty and poetry.

Both Guesses Wrong

A mother and daughter were listening to a band concert in the park. "What's this they're playing, Mary?" said the mother. "It sounds like 'The Wagner'." "No," remarked Mary, "I don't think it's Wagner. I think it's Mozart. I'll just go and see." On her return from the bandstand, she said: "We were both wrong. It says 'Refrain From Spitting'."

Mural Decorations

Archaeologists have found in southern Europe evidences dating back, according to their compilations, to the Sixth and Eighth centuries, B. C. These decorations were crude paintings on the walls of these primitive living chambers and consisted for the most part of simple designs.

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NORTH FRANCISCO

Mr. and Mrs. H. Harvey attended the surprise birthday party given in honor of Elbert Musbach at his home near Munich last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Notten spent Monday at Jackson.

Mrs. Minnie Gage, who has been in poor health for some time, is confined to her bed.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Lehman spent Monday at Jackson.

Dale Loveland, the champion speller of his grade, attended the final contest at Ann Arbor, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Lehman were at Jackson, Tuesday.

Everybody seems to be looking for Santa Claus.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Loveland and family attended the banquet Thursday night at Chelsea, for the benefit of the new gymnasium. They report a very fine time.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There will be a dance at Chalkers' dance hall, Patterson Lake, Saturday evening. Music by Puhner's orchestra. —Adm. 75c. —10-21st

American Certified Quality kerosene—the kind that doesn't smoke. American Service Station, O. B. McLaughlin, Mgr.

The Catholic Recreation club will hold their annual election of officers in their club rooms on Tuesday evening, December 28. All members are requested to be present.

Don't forget the Odd Fellow and Rebekah New Year's eve party.

The Chalkers' Banquet will hold their Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Anna Hoag, Tuesday evening, December 28. Scrub lunch supper at 6:30. Please bring a ten or fifteen cent gift, wrapped up.

I. B. S. A.
Wednesday, 8 to 10 p. m., prayer service and Bible study. Topic, Review, Moses to Samuel. Golden text, Psa. 85:9. How long were the Israelites at Sinai, and how was the time occupied? What two miracles confounded their enemies when they entered the land? Describe the fall of Jericho.

Friday, 3 to 5 p. m., Bible study. Topic, A stone of stumbling. Golden text, Isa. 8:14. What marked the end of the Elijah work and the beginning of the Elisha activities? When does Jesus become "the head stone of the corner"? Psa. 119:22, and who are the "builders" who refuse him?

Both services at the Jno. Schenk residence, South St.

CALL 75 for TAXI. Adv.

NO HUNTING TO HUNTERS
No hunting, trapping or trespassing will be allowed on our farms. All guilty persons so doing will be prosecuted. All dogs running at large on the premises will be killed.

W. E. Beach
Geo. A. McClure, sr.
Gottlieb Heller
Peter Winkler
Mrs. Clara and Archie Stapish

LYNDON TOWNSHIP TAXES
I will be at the Farmers and Merchants Bank, Chelsea, on Saturday afternoon, December 18, and every Saturday, commencing January 1, until further notice, to collect Lyndon township taxes.

MAX KALMBACH, Treasurer.

Bermuda-London Milestone
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WANT COLUMN

Chelsea Lodge
No. 101,
I. O. O. F.
Regular meeting next Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. All visiting brothers welcome.
T. H. Bahamilton, Secretary.

HEMSTITCHING and RECOVERING, all work guaranteed and promptly done. Give me a trial. Miss Alice Schanz, 504 W. Middle St., phone 182. —10-21st

AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE—For the best protection on your car where you can get full coverage on your loss at reasonable price. See A. G. Falst. —6-24th

FOR SALE—One Mason Road King truck, driven less than 3000 miles. Inquire of P. G. Schable. —8-28th

RUBBER CASE WILLARD BATTERY, \$11.95; E. J. Claire & Son, Chelsea. —4-15th

ALL KINDS OF BULBS now in Call Chelsea Greenhouses, phone 180-721. —10-14th

PIANO TUNING—Leave orders for piano tuning at the Hindelang Hardware, Chelsea. Victor Allmendinger, the Concert Artist Tuner, 901 Granger Ave., Ann Arbor. Not with any music house. —12-23

FOR RENT—Furnished light house-keeping rooms. H. Walz. —11-25th

SEWING of all kinds. Mrs. O. H. Schmidt, 204 Washington Street. —10-28th

NO HUNTING SIGNS
FARMERS—If you don't allow hunting on your premises, post the farm with proper signs—and get the signs at the Standard office. Either cardboard or cloth signs may be obtained at low cost.

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NOTICE—Don't throw away your door lock because the key is lost or the spring is broke, but bring them to A. L. Baldwin, 702 South Main St., Phone 226-W. —12-24

FURNITURE REPAIRING, upholstery, reupholstering, picture framing. Baby buggies re-tired. E. P. Steiner, Chelsea. —12-28

FOR SALE—Ford roadster with pickup box. Chelsea Electric Light and Water Dept. —12-23

BATTERIES—Just received new shipment. Special prices this month. Palmer Motor Sales. —12-23

HEATERS—You don't know what winter comfort is unless you have a Kunkel heater. Palmer Motor Sales. —12-23

THIRTEEN PLATE rubber case. Genuine Ford battery only \$12.00. at Palmer Motor Sales. —12-30

OVERSTUFFED Furniture made to order, old style leather chairs re-upholstered. Shop at residence, 310 South St. J. F. Hiebert, phone 2-24

FOR SALE—Saw rig with 6 h. p. Economy engine, in good condition. John Otto, 3-4 mile east of Lyndon Center. —12-23

TRUCKING—Nothing too big, nothing too small; gravel hauling, wood for sale. I. H. Weiss, phone 217. —12-18th

FOR SALE—Used Delco light plant; also 22-volt iron and swapper. Joe Merkel, phone 92-F1. —12-23

FOR SALE—3 new milch cows—young ones—M. B. Jones, phone 214-F14. —12-30

BEGINNING Monday, December 20, I will grind feed every day until further notice. Emanuel Wacker, phone 144-F20. —12-23

FOR SALE—Pop corn, ready to pop, 50c per peck. E. W. Cooper, phone Waterloo. —12-23

FOR SALE—Hand embroidered pillow cases, buffet sets, card table covers and other things. Inquire of Jennie Walker. —12-28

WANTED—To buy furs and hides. Highest market prices paid. E. H. Walz, Grass Lake, R. 3, phone Grass Lake 9505. —1-13

LIVINGSTON GOLDEN GLOW corn meal mush, delicious, ready to fry, on sale at your grocers. Try it. Livingston Mush Co. —12-28

FOR SALE—A black satin dress, size 36. Inquire at 139 East Summit St. —12-28

ONE OF THE OLDEST and most reliable first mortgage bond companies in the middle west would like a man to represent them in this vicinity on a part time basis. Address replies to The Standard Office. —12-23

FOR SALE—220-acre farm, with good buildings, all electrically lighted, all in A-1 shape; bldgs. alone insured for \$6,000. Land A-1, 18 acres beech and maple timber. On good road, v. 2-4, telephone. Can be bought for \$65 per acre, one-third cash, bal. to suit purchaser. If you want a list of other farms, write David Kennedy, Ewart, Mich. —12-30

FOR SALE—New milch cow, and calf. Phone 204-F14. —12-30

SAW FILING—Leave saws at Hindelang Hardware Co. —12-30

FOR SALE—Poland China, bear pig, 7 mo. old, John C. Leeman, phone 204-F11. —12-30

Grade Crossings Prove It
This is the off season for nearly all flowers except the blooming tulip. —Detroit News.

CHRISTMAS TIME—TIME TO CHECK UP

NO morning while checking up the list of relatives and friends to whom we usually sent Christmas greetings or a remembrance, the telephone rang and Mrs. Higgins, a neighbor, called:

"The Helping Hand club is sending cards or tokens to the inmates of the hospital for the blind and disabled. We knew you would wish to contribute in this happy way."

After assenting, rather impatiently, I exclaimed so loudly to myself that the cat jumped from its basket and ran into the hall.

"It is just the same old story every Christmas, that perhaps, next year we will be able to spend more, but each time we have to count our pennies a little more closely to remember all we hope to wear with a bit of a love token. It is indeed wearisome and discouraging. Our list grows larger but the elasticity of my mind and money maneuvering is stretched to its limit. Shall we have fewer friends and lament the large number of relatives? Shall our desires be less unselfish and unworthy in wishing to lend to the cheer fund of others?"

As I looked out at the sunshine on the softly falling snow I was reminded of those who, because of no eyesight, were unable to enjoy the beauties of nature, of those who had no sense of hearing or no power of speech, of those who are crippled, of unfortunate with unsound minds and of those who, since childhood, had no reasoning faculties, a real checking-up system in my system began.

My eyesight has always been splendid. Have my eyes been used to spy out all the world wonders at hand that were possible for me to appreciate or to see all the misery that is in my power to alleviate? Have I "listened in" on the bird carols in the air and to the rhythm of the babbling brook, or have my ears been tuned to hear unkind gossip in place of worthy words that might set in harmony a soul at discord with the we-wearily world?

Have my words been more often cruel than kind, or have they expressed thankfulness for beautiful days, for health, for every minute blessings? Have my feet been active to errands of kindness, mercy, love and have my hands been glad servants of service to others? While listing complaints in my Christmas calendar, has my unreasonable mind fathomed what it would mean to be without power to think, to feel, to love, to hope, to work and worry, illness and hunger, rage, weariness, ill, when there were not forthcoming sufficient food, fire, clothing, a bed, restoratives? All around me is "fresh air" without charge, free without asking, through the years there have been my parents where my own little folks could visit grandmother, there has been a home, loved ones—Christ.

These were gifts that had been enjoyed through my life. My power was limited in distributing as many gifts as I was receiving every moment. Checking up—had I revealed a list of riches in my Christmas catalogue which could cash had no power to purchase. These riches shall be checked out more freely through the year until there shall radiate from my heart to other hearts the spirit of Christmas continued. —Gertrude Walton.

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CAUGHT THE THRILL OF CHILDHOOD DAYS

"THERE!" exclaimed mother, "that's the last string of pop I'm going to hang on this tree. I'm so tired I can scarcely move! Oh dear, Christmas is wonderful for the children, but a trifle hard on the grownups. I wish you and I, George, could feel as we once did. Wouldn't it be glorious?"

Father brushed off some pine needles from his coat. He looked thoughtful. "It's a pity, isn't it, to get so tired we can't enjoy this season?" he said. "I wonder if it isn't our fault? We're too grownup."

A great mistake, I'm convinced. Perhaps we could catch that fine thrill of childhood if we tried."

Mother and father stood looking quietly at each other. Then father had an idea. A broad smile broke over his face. He slapped his knee. He chuckled. "I have an idea, Susie, he said; 'let's take this sled we bought for Billy and go out for a 'round-up, what?'"

"—A round-up, George?"

"Certainly!"

"But we're so tired! And it's nearly 12 o'clock!"

"Bah! What does that matter! We never thought of time when I was courting you, Susie!"

This made mother smile. She stood uncertainly in the middle of the room thinking about it. Then with an unexpected run she was tumbling for her coat in the hall closet. "Beat-you-to-the-hill on Cedar street," she called.

In fifteen minutes, feeling like delighted, naughty children, mother and father were galloping down the Cedar street hill on Billy's new sled. They went like the wind. Their cheeks glowed in the frosty air, the very stars seemed laughing with them.

At the bottom of the hill father stood looking at mother. You're so damned pretty, Susie; I've just got to kiss you!"

And he did.

"Bless Billy's sled!" murmured mother from the depth of father's rough coat. —Martha Banning Thomas.

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Causes
A propensity to hope and joy is real riches; one to fear and sorrow real poverty. —London Tit-Bits.

Burlap
There are many kinds of burlap. The coarser kinds are made of jute, flax, hemp or manilla. These types of are a finer kind made from similar materials used for curtains and upholstery.

OUR THOUGHTS AT CHRISTMAS

Go out to our friends to wish each one of them know ledge to solve their problems, light for their pathway, friends for happy associations and prosperity to fill their material needs.

1926

We thank you for past patronage and solicit your continuation of same.

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"Buy the Best, and Forget the Rest"

Phone 56

When Santa Claus Calls

by our store in his airplane we mean to load him down with good wishes for our many friends, customers and the people of this community. And if we have our way about it, he will bring each one of you enough of Prosperity and Happiness to last you all through the New Year.

GROVE BROTHERS

VARIETY STORE

CHURCH CIRCLES

METHODIST EPISCOPAL

Walter Firth, Pastor.

The last of the series of Christmas messages will be given next Sunday morning, the closing subject being: "The Real Message of Christmas, and to Whom it came."

The leader of the Epworth League next Sunday evening will be Raymond Dancer. We had a fine attendance last Sunday evening. Let everyone bring another next Sunday.

CONGREGATIONAL

Rev. A. E. Potts, Pastor.

Morning worship, 10:00. Sermon subject, "The Way I Feel About the Christmas-Gift of One Hundred Dollars from My Church."

Sunday school at 11:15. —F. E. Storms, Supt.

C. E. at 6:30. Jean Dancer, leader. Evening worship, 7:30. Sermon subject, "A Farewell Word to the Year 1926, and a Word of Welcome to 1927."

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH.

P. H. Grabowski, Pastor.

Thursday, December 23—Christmas celebration by the Sunday school at 7:30 p. m.

Saturday, December 25—Christmas Candle Service at 7:00 a. m.

Sunday, December 26—A German Christmas service at 10:00 a. m.

We extend a hearty invitation to the members and friends of St. Paul's to attend all of these services. Special notice should be taken of the services on Saturday and Sunday. Extra prayers have been taken to make them beautiful, solemn and impressive. Don't miss them!