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## BODY OF J. RUSSLING FOUND ON RAILROAD

Was Evidently Struck by Fast Train and Terribly Mangled—Body Frozen.

The body of John Russling, aged 63 years, was found at 6:30 o'clock Tuesday morning, at the north switch, about 100 feet west of the Chelsea Main street crossing of the Michigan Central railroad.

It is thought that Mr. Russling was struck by a fast westbound train early Monday night.

Night telegraph operator Collins, when he received the information called Justice Howard Brooks, who took charge of the body and had the removed to Staffan's undertaking rooms.

Mr. Russling was found to have had both legs cut off, his head crushed, clothing torn and the body frozen stiff. He was a Canadian and had resided here about two years, being employed at various times on the Michigan Central sections, on the gate at the crossing and as night watch in the factories.

He lived alone in the Robert Van Huse house on Hayes street. Coroner Brooks made an investigation of his personal effects but was unable to find an address of any kind that would locate his relatives in Canada, and has sent several telegrams to the police department in Canadian cities trying to locate them. Mr. Brooks has decided not to hold an inquest.

### Former Chelsea Man in Halifax.

Through the kindness of Clarence Dennison, the Standard is permitted to print portions of a letter written by Frank J. Grown, who was an employee of the Michigan Portland Cement Co. for several years, and who recently enlisted in the Canadian army. Mr. Grown is stationed at Halifax, and his letter tells of the recent terrible explosion there:

Friend Clarence: Just a few lines to let you know that I am still in the land of the living, but it is a wonder at that. I have seen some sights in my time, but I never saw anything like that explosion here.

I was stationed about a mile away, working for our company doctor, and, believe me, we were very busy. I never got a mark, but tonight they claim that more than 2,000 are killed. I never thought that I could stand anything like this, but I worked hard all the way through, pulling out the dead from the ruins. Some had their heads blown off, some their legs, and some were nearly blown to pieces. Nearly every window in town was shattered, and nearly two square miles of buildings are flat on the ground.

Just across the river there is a town called Dartmouth, and every other one is injured.

I was distributing food to the people yesterday, for those who had money could not buy it. I don't know what they would have done without the soldiers.

The first thing that I thought of was airplanes, for the ceiling came tumbling in and all of the shelves came down. I was just cleaning my shoes at the time of the explosion.

I expected that I would eat Christmas dinner in London with my father, but we will not get away from here as soon as we expected.

### John Philip Seitz.

John Philip Seitz was born in Germany, December 9, 1844, and died at his home in Lima township, Thursday, December 13, 1917.

Mr. Seitz came to this country about fifty years ago. He was married twice, the first time to Anna May Stierle, December 1, 1874, and one son Philip, was born to this union. The second marriage was with Rosina Zahn, January 17, 1877.

He is survived by his wife, six sons, three daughters, a number of grandchildren, one brother, one sister and several nephews and nieces.

The funeral was held Monday from St. Paul's church, Rev. A. A. Schoen, assisted by a nephew of the deceased, Rev. Pfeiffer of Clayton, Mo., conducting the services. Interment at Oak Grove cemetery.

### Farmers' Club Meeting.

The Western Washtenaw Farmers' Club will meet Friday, December 21, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Fletcher. The program follows:

Opening song—Club.  
Prayer—Rev. G. H. Whitney.  
Music.  
Reading—Dr. H. M. Armour.  
Remarks—Rev. P. W. Dierberger.  
Music.  
Roll call—Christmas quotations.  
Grab bag.



### FROM CAMP McARTHUR.

Waco, Texas, Dec. 10, 1917.

Editor Standard: It is with pleasure that I read the Camp Custer news, but I do not like to see Camp McArthur neglected, however.

We are now tasting our first cold weather, the thermometer has dropped to zero on the past three nights; cold for this part of Texas. The infantry, artillery and ammunition units are housed in tents, they have suffered from the cold somewhat. The Remount Depot has wooden cantonment type of buildings which are found much more satisfactory than the pyramid tent in housing the troops.

The 32d Division has orders to move by January 15. The artillery units will start movement of horses before Christmas.

We of the Remount do not expect to leave with the Division. However, it is practically certain that we will be assigned to a remount in France before spring.

The Federal inspector from Washington, D. C., arrived here Friday. Upon leaving he stated that our Remount was without question the finest unit in the United States. He assured us that our unit would be recommended for reassignment of Remount in France.

We are issuing artillery, cavalry and supply animals, averaging 500 animals each day. Another week will find every unit supplied with full quota of animals. This unit will winter about 5,000 head of untrained animals which are arriving from the west daily.

Will close with regards to all.

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### Grange Officers.

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Assistant Steward—Judson Knapp.  
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Flora—Mrs. J. Walz.  
Lady Assistant Steward—Mrs. Emerson Lesser.

Ann Arbor—Orders from the war department give Prof. Joseph Bursley permission to enroll 150 men in the fifth course in army stores methods, which will start January 5. Heretofore the department has frowned upon enrolling more than 100 students in a course, although the number has sometimes exceeded that limit. Nearly 400 have already applied.

### A RED CROSS CHRISTMAS

The War Council of the American Red Cross has conceived that a great national purpose will be served by having membership in the Red Cross almost as universal as citizenship.

Although pledged as a nation to the national purpose during this great crisis, it will not be granted to a large percentage of us to play a part in the fighting branches of our country's service.

All of us, however, can be identified with the Red Cross, which in these times when whole nations are organized for war, is big enough and strong enough to carry some of the burden for our soldiers, our sailors and our allies.

We want a Red Cross of three-quarters of a million members in Michigan. We want the strength and support that will grow from this army of members.

Christmas time has been set to attain this goal, because the Red Cross and Christmas spring from the same spirit, and these two great symbols of mercy, sacrifice and cheer may well be united. On this, our first Christmas in the war, the Red Cross symbol will add, not a spirit of dejection, but the thought of serious purpose and sacrifice which through accomplishment it represents.

It is hoped that from this Christmas campaign of 1917 will grow a permanent custom, which will increase the significance both of Christmas and the Red Cross.

I herewith enclose the sum of One Dollars for a new renewal membership in the Red Cross.

Name .....

Address .....

Annual membership, \$1. "Magazine membership, \$2.

Sign the above blank and hand or mail it to any of the following members of membership committee: Mrs. F. R. Shepherd, Mrs. S. A. Mapes, Mrs. Wm. Campbell, Mrs. H. J. Fulford, Miss Ella Barber.

Make this a Red Cross Christmas.

Williamston—The hotel at Williamston closed its doors to the public Saturday night and that village is without a hotel for the first time in 50 years. The proprietor states in closing that it was impossible for him to make a living at the present prices of food, coal, etc.

Try the Standard "Want" Adva.

## Christmas Baking Is Now In Full Swing

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We can furnish you all you need in the way of good things to eat—from first-class staples to dainty dessert—and at prices that are right.

Let us have your orders early. We want to give you the very best service possible.

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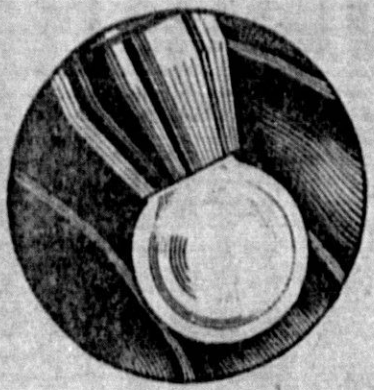
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**Plays Any Make of Disc Record**

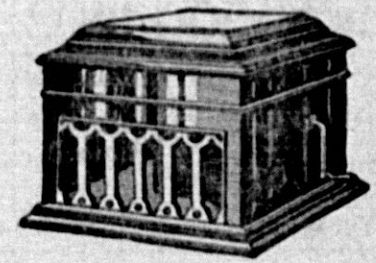
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This Christmas give them a new world of music. Give them something they will cherish on cold, wintry nights—give them a Pathephone.

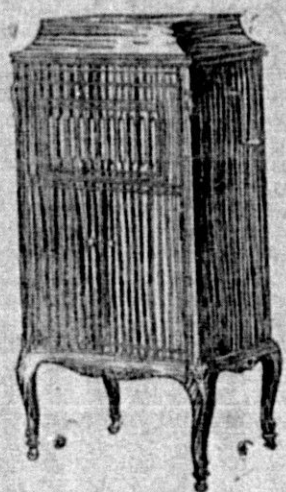


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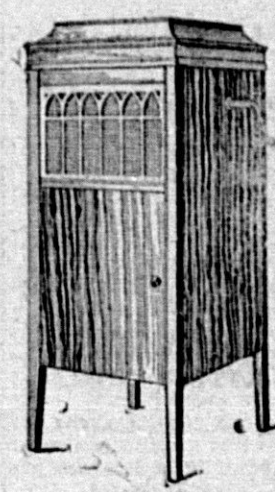
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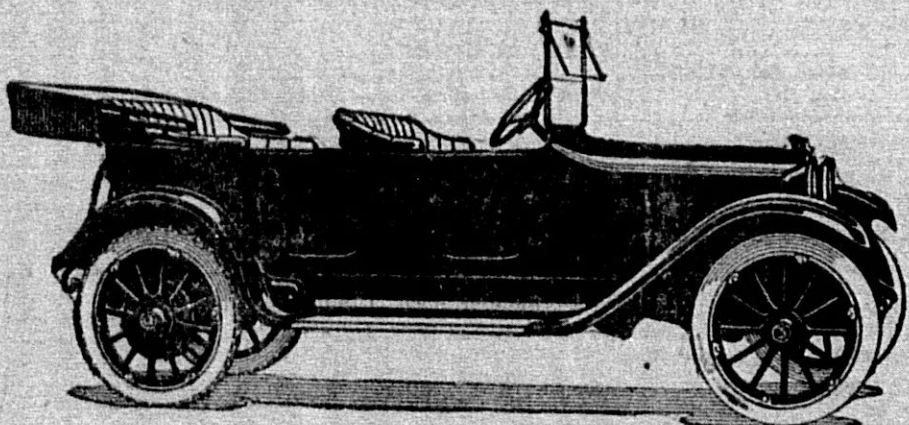
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**CORRESPONDENCE****SYLVAN HAPPENINGS.**

During the high wind, last week a portion of the roof was blown off the Sylvan church.

Miss Frona Saine visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Merker, of Jackson, over Sunday.

Mrs. Herman Hayes, who recently underwent an operation at her home is improving quite rapidly.

J. N. Dancer has purchased the farm of Mrs. Frank Page, known as the George Wasser place, west of Sylvan.

Mr. and Mrs. George Phelps are at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Eugene Smith, of Cavanaugh Lake, where they expect to spend the winter.

Homer Boyd boasts of a bumper crop of hay from the Mrs. R. C. Glenn farm south of Jerusalem. He thinks there will be 100 tons when he gets through baling.

**NORTH LAKE NOTES.**

Graham Birch was a Stockbridge visitor Friday.

C. J. Tremmel, of Ann Arbor, spent the week-end at his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Thomas, of Dexter, were North Lake visitors Sunday.

Mrs. C. J. Tremmel spent part of last week with relatives in Ann Arbor.

Mrs. O. P. Noah left Wednesday for a ten days' visit with her sister, Mrs. George Siple, in Greenville.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Hudson and son Norman, visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hudson, recently.

Mrs. George Fuller returned home, Friday, after a two weeks' visit with relatives in Addison and Napoleon.

A farewell party was given by the Golden Rule class in honor of Clayton Webb, who has enlisted in the marine aviation corps, at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Webb, Saturday evening, about thirty-five being present. A very pleasant evening was spent, ice cream and cake were served, after which C. J. Tremmel in behalf of friends present presented Clayton with a shaving set. At a late hour all departed for home, wishing Clayton the best of luck in his undertaking.

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**FREEDOM ITEMS.**

Ezra Feldkamp spent one day of last week in Detroit.

Mrs. Krueger is slowly recovering from her recent illness.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Gotlob Hornig, of Pleasant Lake, a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Wenk and family moved into their new home last week.

Miss Esther Lutz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lutz, is suffering with an attack of smallpox.

Walter Buss, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Buss is laid up with both bones of his right leg broken, caused by a horse stepping on him, Monday.

Miss Dora Esch underwent an operation for appendicitis one day last week. Dr. Darling, of Ann Arbor, performed the operation. The patient is recovering as rapidly as could be expected.

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# PRUDENCE SAYS SO

By **ETHEL HUESTON**

Author of "PRUDENCE OF THE PARSONAGE"

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## CAROL GOES TO THE ASSISTANCE OF LARK WHEN DEEP EMBARRASSMENT THREATENS AND A NEAR-PAINFUL INCIDENT BECOMES A COMEDY

**Synopsis.**—The story opens in the house of Rev. Mr. Starr, where Prudence, his eldest daughter and feminine head of the house, consisting of her father, herself, her sisters, Fairy, the twins—Carol and Lark—and Connie, the youngest, are awaiting the arrival of their aunt Grace. Liveliness of the smaller members of the family results disastrously for their appearance. Carol and Lark investigate Christian Science. Prudence postpones her wedding when Carol catches measles. Then Carol tries to convert the town roughnecks.

### CHAPTER V.

#### Substitution.

The twins came in at dinner-time wrapped in unwonted silence. Lark's face was darkened by an anxious shadow, while Carol wore an expression of heroic determination.

"What's up?" Connie asked, when the rest of the family dismissed the matter with amused glances. Lark sighed and looked at Carol, seeming to seek courage from the Spartan countenance.

Carol squared her shoulders. "Don't be silly, you know you're crazy to tell us about it, you only want to be teased."

Lark sighed again, and gazed appealingly at her stout-hearted twin. Carol never could resist the appeal of those pleading eyes.

"Larkie promised to speak a piece at the Sunday-school concert two weeks from tomorrow," she vouchsafed, as unconcernedly as possible.

"Mercy!" ejaculated Connie, with an astonishment that was not altogether complimentary.

"Careful, Larkie," cautioned Fairy. "You'll disgrace the parsonage if you don't watch out."

"Nonsense," declared their father. "Lark can speak as well as anybody if she just keeps a good grip on herself and doesn't get stage fright."

Aunt Grace smiled gently.

Connie frowned. "It's a risky business," she said. "Lark can't speak any more than a rabbit, and—"

"I know it," was the humble admission. "Don't be a goose, Con." Interrupted Carol. "Of course Lark can speak a piece. She must learn it, learn it, learn it, so she can rattle it off backwards with her eyes shut. That's the whole secret. Of course she can speak."

"How did it happen?" inquired Fairy.

"I don't know," Lark said sorrowfully. "Nothing was ever farther from my thoughts, I assure you. The first thing I knew, Mrs. Curtiss was thanking me for my promise, and Carol was marching me off like grim death."

Carol smiled, relieved now that the family commentary was over. "It was very natural. Mrs. Curtiss begged her to do it, and Lark refused. That always happens, every time the Sunday school gives an entertainment. But Mrs. Curtiss went on to say how badly the Sunday school needs the money, and how big a drawing card it would be for both of us twins to be on the program, one right after the other, and how well it would look for the parsonage, and it never occurred to me to warn Lark, for I never dreamed of her doing it."

"I thought it wouldn't hurt me to try it once," Lark volunteered in her own defense.

Aunt Grace nodded, with a smile of interested approval.

"I'm proud of you, Lark, quite proud of you," her father said warmly. "It's a big thing for you to make such a plunge—just fine."

"I'm proud of you now, too," Connie said proudly. "The question is, will we be proud of you after the concert?"

Lark sighed dolorously. "Anybody can speak a silly little old piece like that. And it will look so nice to have our names right together on the program. It'll bring out all the high school folks, sure."

"Yes, they'll come to hear Lark, all right," Fairy smiled. "But she'll make it go, of course. And it will give Carol a chance to show her cleverness by telling her how to do it."

So as soon as supper was over, Carol said decidedly, "Now, Connie, you'll have to help me with the dishes the next two weeks, for Lark's got to practice on that piece. Lark, you must read it over, very thoughtfully first to get the meaning. Then just read it and read it and read it, a dozen times, and a hundred times, over and over and over. And pretty soon you'll know it."

"I'll bet I don't," was the discouraging retort, as Lark, with pronounced distaste, took the slip of paper and sat down in the corner to read the "bloating thing," as she muttered crossly to herself.

Connie and Carol did up the dishes in dreadful silence, and then Carol returned to the charge. "How many times did you read it?"

"Forty-seven and a half," was the patient answer. "It's a silly thing, Carol. There's no sense to it. The wind went drifting o'er the sea."

"Oh, that's not so bad," Carol said helpfully. "I've had pieces with worse lines than that. The imprint of a dainty foot," for instance. When you say, 'The wind went drifting o'er the sea,' you must kind of let your voice glide along, very rhythmically, very—"

"Windily," suggested Connie, who remained to witness the exhibition.

"You keep still, Constance Starr, or you can get out of here! It's no laughing matter I can tell you, and you have to keep out or I won't help and then—"

"I'll keep still," But it ought to be windily, you know, since it's the wind. I meant it for a joke," she informed them. The twins had a very disheartening way of failing to recognize Connie's jokes—it took the life out of them.

"Now read it aloud, Lark, so I can see if you get the proper expression," Carol continued, when Connie was utterly subdued.

Lark obediently but unhappily read the quaint poem aloud and Carol said it was very good. "You must read it aloud often, very often. That'll give you a better idea of the accent. Now put it away, and don't look at it again tonight. If you keep it up too long you'll get so dead sick of it you can't speak it at all."

By the evening of the Sunday-school concert—they were concerting for the sake of a hundred-dollar subscription to church repairs—Lark had mastered her recitation so perfectly that the minds of the parsonage were nearly at peace. She still felt a deep resentment toward the situation, but this was partially counter-balanced by the satisfaction of seeing her name in print, directly beneath Carol's on the program.

Recitation . . . . . Miss Carol Starr.  
Recitation . . . . . Miss Lark Starr.

It looked very well indeed, and the whole family took a proper interest in it. No one gave Carol's recitation a second thought. She always recited, and did it easily and well. It was quite a commonplace occurrence for her.

On the night of the concert she superintended Lark's dressing with maternal care. "You look all right," she said, "just fine. Now don't get scared, Lark. It's so silly. Remember that you know all those people by heart, you can talk a blue streak to any of them. There's no use—"

"But I can't talk a blue streak to the whole household at once," Lark protested. "It makes me have such a hollow feeling—to see so many white faces gazing up, and it's hot, and—"

"Stop that," came the stern command. "You don't want to get cold feet before you start. If you do accidentally forget once or twice, don't worry. I know the piece as well as you, and I can prompt you from behind. You won't forget." She kissed her.

"You'll do fine, Larkie, just as fine as you look, and it couldn't be better than that."

Just then Connie ran in. "Fairy wants to know if you are getting stage fright, Lark? My, you do look nice! Now, for goodness' sake, Lark, remember the parsonage, and don't make a fizzle of it."

"Who says fizzle?" demanded their father from the doorway. "Never say die, my girl. Why, Lark, I never saw you look so sweet. You have your hair fixed a new way, haven't you?"

"Carol did it," was the shy reply. "It does look nice, doesn't it? I'm not scared, father, not a bit—yet! But there's a hollow feeling—Have the boys come?"

"No, but they'll be here in a minute. Jim's late. I do get sore at Jim—I'd forty times rather go with him than Hartley—but he always puts off asking us until the last minute and then I have a date and you get him. I believe he does it on purpose. Come on down."

And Grace looked at the pale sweet face with gratified delight, and kissed her warmly. Her father walked around her, nodding approval.

"Aunt Grace," he said solemnly, "it's a wretched business, having a parsonage full of daughters. Just as soon as they reach the age of beauty, grace and charm, they turn their backs on their fathers and smile on fairer lads."

"You've got me, father," said Connie consolingly.

"And me—when Babbie's in Chicago," added Fairy.

"Yes, that's some help. Connie, be an old maid. Do! I implore you."

"Oh, Connie's got a beau already," said Carol. "It's the fat Allen boy. They don't have dates yet, but they've got an awful case on. He's going to make their living by traveling with a show. You'll have to put up with auntie—she's beyond the bending stage!"

"Suits me," he said contentedly. "I am getting more than my deserts. Come on, Grace, we'll start."

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"Remember the parsonage," begged Carol. "Think of Prudence. Think of papa. Look, there he is, right down there. He's expecting you, Lark. You must!"

Lark tried to rise. She could not. She could not see her father's clear encouraging face for those queer flashes of light.

"You can," whispered Carol. "You can do anything, if you try. Prudence says so."

People were craning their necks, and peering curiously up to the second row where the twins sat side by side. The other performers nudged one another, smiling significantly.

"I can't," Lark whispered. "I'm sick."

"Lark—Lark," called the superintendent.

Carol sighed bitterly. Evidently it was up to her. With a grim face, she rose from her chair and started out on the platform. The superintendent stared at her, his lips parting. The people stared at her too, and smiled, and then laughed. Panic-stricken, her eyes sought her father's face. He nodded quickly, and his eyes approved.

"Good!" His lips formed the word, and Carol did not falter again. The applause was nearly drowned with laughter as Carol advanced for her second recitation.

"The wind went drifting o'er the sea," she began—her voice drifting properly on the words—and so on to the end of the piece.

Most of the audience, knowing Lark's temperament, had concluded that fear prevented her appearance, and understood that Carol had come to her twin's rescue for the reputation of the parsonage. The applause was deafening as she went back. It grew louder as she sat down with a comforting little grin at Lark. Then as the clapping continued, something of her natural impishness entered her heart.

"Lark," she whispered, "go out and make a bow."

"Mercy!" gasped Lark. "I didn't do anything."

"It was supposed to be you—go on Lark! Hurry! You've got to! Think what a joke it will be."

Lark hesitated, but Carol's dominance was compelling.

"Do as I tell you," came the peremptory order, and Lark arose from her chair, stepped out before the astonished audience and made a slow and graceful bow.

This time the applause ran riot, for people of less experience than those of Mount Mark could tell that the twins were playing game. As it continued, Carol caught Lark's hand in hers, and together they stepped out once more, laughing and bowing right and left.

Lark was the last one in that night for she and Jim celebrated her defeat with two ice cream sodas apiece at the corner drug store.

"I disgraced the parsonage," she said meekly, as she stepped into the family circle, waiting to receive her.

"Indeed you didn't," said Fairy. "It was too bad, but Carol passed it off nicely, and then, turning it into a joke that way took all the embarrassment out of it. It was perfectly all right, and we weren't a bit ashamed."

"And you did look awfully sweet when you made your bow," Connie said warmly—for when a member of the family was down, no one ventured a laugh, laugh-loving though they were.

Curious to say, the odd little freak of substitution only endeared the twins to the people of Mount Mark the more.

"By ginger, you can't beat them bloomers' twins," said Harvey Reel, chuckling admiringly. And no one disagreed.

Circumstances induce Fairy to reveal her life's romance. The twins for a short period enjoy themselves hugely.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Puts it Up to the Judge.

One of the city judges, who was a for re-election, made a speech in New York, and after he had touched on patriotism and the various questions of civic virtue and the keeping of a good man on the bench, he said at the close of his speech that he was ready to answer any question propounded. At this point one of the members of the club arose. "Judge," began the questioner, "there's one thing that has always bothered me, and I hope you can settle it for me so that the other members of this club will see that I am right. This is it: Does or does not a straight flush beat four of a kind under any and all circumstances?"

British Columbia Shipbuilding. The steel steamer War Dog, the first ship of its type to be built in British Columbia, was recently launched at Vancouver. The War Dog, with a length of 315 feet, is also the first steel cargo vessel to be built in that province. The contract was placed by a Japanese steamship company through an English firm. Since the steamer was launched she has been sold to a British firm.

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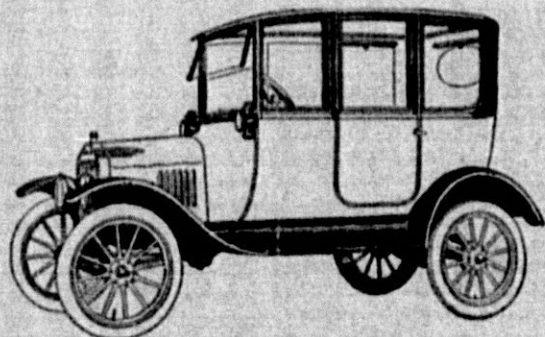
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### PERSONAL

Otto D. Luick spent Friday in Ann  
Arbor.

Miss Gladys Schenk spent Friday in  
Ypsilanti.

Mrs. C. E. Whitaker spent Monday  
in Detroit.

Miss Anna Mast, of Ann Arbor, spent  
Sunday in Chelsea.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wallace spent  
Saturday in Ann Arbor.

Fred Kim, of Ann Arbor, was a  
Chelsea visitor Tuesday.

Henry Bertke, of Manchester, was  
a Chelsea visitor, Monday.

John Kalmbach, of Grass Lake, was  
a Chelsea visitor, Saturday.

Mrs. Edward French, of Dexter, is  
visiting her son, Roy, and family.

Lieut. LaMont C. BeGole was the  
guest of Mrs. G. A. BeGole, Monday.

Mrs. John Wallace and Mrs. Fred  
Broesamle are Jackson visitors today.

Porter Brower was a Manchester  
visitor several days of the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hammond  
are visiting their daughter in Dayton,  
Ohio.

Mark Hindelang, of Ann Arbor,  
spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. M.  
Staffan.

Lieut. Arthur Chambers was the  
guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Dancer  
Sunday.

H. N. Morton, of Detroit, spent Sun-  
day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A.  
N. Morton.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Page and  
daughter spent Sunday with friends  
in Detroit.

Miss Grace Fletcher, of Detroit,  
spent the week-end with her brother,  
J. L. Fletcher.

Carl Vogel, of Omaha, Nebr., spent  
several days of the past week with  
relatives here.

Miss Beatrice Porter, of Howell,  
was the guest of Mrs. H. H. Avery,  
the first of the week.

T. F. Callahan is making a business  
trip in the east in the interest of the  
Chelsea Steel Ball Co.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Otis and son, of  
Detroit, spent the week-end with Mr.  
and Mrs. C. W. Maroney.

Sergeant Wm. G. Kolb, of Camp  
Custer, spent the week-end with his  
parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kolb.

George Belser, who is in an aviation  
camp at San Antonio, Texas, is  
visiting his mother, Mrs. F. H. Belser.

George and Floyd Sherburn, of  
Scottsville, were guests of Mr. and  
Mrs. E. H. Wisely, the first of the week.

Dr. Ira Lehman, of Highland Park,  
spent Sunday at the home of his  
parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lehman,  
of Sharon.

John Dunn, who is with an ambu-  
lance unit at Allentown, Pa., visited  
his sister, Mrs. F. E. Belser, the first  
of the week.

Miss Gertrude Mapes, who is at-  
tending Oberlin college, is spending  
the vacation with her parents, Mr.  
and Mrs. S. A. Mapes.

Mrs. R. H. Holmes, of Battle Creek,  
and Mrs. J. J. Haarer, of Detroit, are  
spending this week with their parents,  
Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Noyes.

E. W. Patterson, of Camp Sher-  
man, Chillicothe, Ohio, spent a few  
hours, Sunday, with his parents, Mr.  
and Mrs. W. W. Patterson.

The family of H. Kerstetter left,  
Saturday, for Mohridge, S. D., where  
Mr. Kerstetter is engaged in mission  
work for the Episcopal church.

Joseph Mayer, William Mayer, C.  
Hummel, C. W. Maroney, Jacob  
Hutzel, Ed. Stierle, and Emanuel  
Eisenman visited Camp Custer, Sun-  
day.

Miss Amanda Grau, who was in-  
jured in the cyclone of June 6, and has  
been in the hospital since that time,  
was brought home Tuesday. She is  
still unable to walk.

George W. Turnbull visited his  
parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Turn-  
bull, over the week-end. He has  
been promoted to sergeant of ordn-  
nance and transferred from Rock  
Island arsenal to Camp Custer.

Grass Lake.—The many friends of  
M. G. Carlton will be sorry to learn  
that his health is not so good this  
winter as formerly. He has been  
confined to his bed much of the time  
during the last month.—News.



### CHRISTMAS IN THE CHURCHES

#### BAPTIST.

The Baptist Church and Sunday  
school will observe Christmas, Satur-  
day evening, December 22. There  
will be a Christmas supper in the  
basement of the church at 5:30 o'clock  
where the little folks will be remem-  
bered. About 7:30 o'clock "The  
White Gifts for the King" service  
will be given, to which the public is  
cordially invited. Gifts of meats,  
butter, eggs, fruits, preserves and  
pickles will be sent to the Church at  
Battle Creek for the soldiers at Camp  
Custer.

#### METHODIST EPISCOPAL.

The M. E. Sunday school will give  
a pageant Sunday evening, Decem-  
ber 23, which is in keeping with this  
season, that is, it is a giving Christ-  
mas instead of a receiving Christmas.  
The admission will be a free-will of-  
fering consisting of money or any-  
thing that could be used in the new  
Methodist orphanage in Highland  
Park; at least a potato or an apple.

Saturday afternoon, from 2 to 4  
o'clock, a Christmas party will be  
given at the M. E. parsonage for the  
members of the classes taught by  
the Misses Kalmbach, Ives, Clark and  
Walz.

#### ST. PAUL'S.

St. Paul's church extends to each  
and everyone the seasons greetings,  
wishing all a merry, merry, Christmas.

"Joy, to the world, the Lord is born!"  
Should be the key-note of all the ser-  
vices at this time.

Christmas Sunday school exercises  
at 6:30 o'clock Sunday evening. As  
the Christ child and not Santa Claus  
should be the first and supreme in  
any Christmas exercises, recitations,  
dialogues, solos and songs by classes  
and the entire Sunday school will  
bring out this thought.

"Unveiling the Star," by young  
ladies, and "Aunt Hannah," are only  
a few numbers on the program. There  
will be a Christmas tree as usual and  
distribution of good things to the  
Sunday school.

#### CONGREGATIONAL.

The Congregational Sunday school  
will give the following program on  
Christmas eve:

Organ prelude—Doris Schmidt.  
"Silent Night"—Choir.  
Prayer—Pastor.  
"Joy to the World"—Congregation.  
Song, "Christmas Eve"—Primary.  
"My Speech"—Edward Shepherd.  
"The Family Stockings"—Claud  
Rogers.

"The Christmas Game"—Dialogue.  
Song, "Christ Was Once a Little  
Baby"—Wesley Dierberger and Dean  
Rogers.

"Big Brother"—Robert Greis.  
"Christmas Eve With Dolly"—Dia-  
logue.

"Freeman Speaks"—Freeman Hous-  
ton.

"Santa Claus' Bells"—Dialogue.  
"Christmas Stockings"—Dialogue.  
"Hitch Your Wagon to the Star"—  
Dean Rogers.

"The Best Claus"—Richard Koons.  
Song, "The Christ Child"—Four  
girls.

"A Snowflake Dance"—The little  
 tots.

"Merry Christmas"—Mary Dier-  
berger.

Song, "Long Time Ago"—The older  
ones.

"Christmas Candles"—Dialogue.  
"A Bit of Recreation"—Dialogue.  
Duet, "Shepherds in the Field"—  
Anna Rogers and Audrey Harris.

"Christmas Exercise"—Dialogue.  
"Christmas Presents for Mother"—  
Dialogue.

"An Abandoned Quest"—Dialogue.  
Song, "Good Night"—Primary Class.  
Santa Claus and the "goodies".  
Benediction—Pastor.

#### Farm Loan Association.

The Ann Arbor Grange at its last  
meeting voted to organize a local  
national farm loan association among  
the farmers of Washtenaw county. A  
committee consisting of Horace Barn-  
ard, E. E. Calkins and R. T. Brokaw  
was appointed to take the necessary  
steps towards the formation of the  
association. They are desirous of  
getting into touch with the farmers  
who would be interested. The mem-  
bers of the committee stand ready to  
furnish information to anyone inter-  
ested. Professor George W. Dowrie  
of the department of economics of  
the University of Michigan has con-  
sented to act as adviser to the com-  
mittee. When an adequate list has  
been obtained, a meeting will be  
called, at which articles of associa-  
tion will be drawn up and a full ex-  
planation of the working of the sys-  
tem will be made by Prof. Dowrie.

#### Announcements.

The Merry Workers will meet with  
Mrs. J. N. Strieter this evening.

There will be a meeting of the  
Maccabees on Friday evening of this  
week.

Regular meeting of the Eastern  
Star, Wednesday evening, Decem-  
ber 26.

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FOR SALE—Eight by ten rag rug, very little used; also a twenty-one foot ladder. Has any one a square piano for disposal? Inquire at the Standard office.

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NOTICE—Choice Christmas trees for church, school and family use. For landscape work and general nursery stock, fern and garden seeds, also cyclone and auto insurance, call on Alfred Kaercher, 515 S. Madison street, Chelsea, phone 283.

FOR SALE—Eight used touring cars, Fords and Overlands, all in good repair, prices reasonable. A. G. Faist, Chelsea.

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LEGAL PRINTING—The Standard requests its patrons who have business with the Probate Office to ask the Judge of Probate to order the printing sent to this office.

LEAVE YOUR ORDER for Saturday Evening Post and Ladies Home Journal at the Standard office.

FOR SALE and "For Rent" window signs for sale at this office.

### Order of Publication.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Washington, ss. At a session of the Probate Court for said County of Washington, held at the Probate Office in the city of Ann Arbor, on the 22nd day of November, in the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

Present, Emory E. Leland, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Bernhart W. Tibb, deceased.

On reading and filing the duly verified petition of Caroline Tibb, widow, praying that administration of said estate may be granted to Caroline Tibb or some other suitable person, and that appraisers and commissioners be appointed.

It is ordered, that the 21st day of December next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office be appointed for hearing said petition.

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 circulating in said County of Washington.

EMORY E. LELAND, Judge of Probate.

(A true copy.)

Dorcas C. Donegan, Register.

### Order of Publication

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Washington, ss. At a session of the Probate Court for said County of Washington, held at the Probate Office in the city of Ann Arbor, on the 15th day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

Present, Emory E. Leland, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of James P. Wood, deceased.

John Kalmbach, executor 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 14th 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 circulating in said County of Washington.

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In the matter of the estate of John Messner, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition of Charles Messner, executor of said estate, praying that he may be licensed to sell certain real estate described therein at private sale for the purpose of distribution.

It is ordered, that the 14th day of January next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office be appointed for hearing said petition.

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## "A Visit From St. Nicholas"

WHAT is the best known poem in the world? Not Gray's "Elegy," nor "The Song of the Shirt," nor "The Raven," but "The Night Before Christmas." The author is not so well known as his poem.

One recent Christmas the name of Clement Clarke Moore was honored as never before. Above his grave in the chapel of Holy Trinity cemetery, New York, the choir boys sang carols on the night before Christmas, and a service of light was held. This beautiful ceremonial starts with a procession of torchbearers whose torches are kindled from the leader's flame, and as the live winds through the graveyard the fire is passed back from one to another until the lights grow in number and dispel the surrounding darkness.

The father of Clement Clarke Moore was once the bishop of New York. "The Night Before Christmas" was published originally without the author's knowledge in the Troy Sentinel two days before Christmas, 1823. Moore had written it the preceding Christmas just for the delight of his own children, but its circulation slipped beyond the family circle, and an unknown friend sent it for publication. The Sentinel readers paid no attention to it, and it passed without comment until seven years later, when the same paper reprinted it. The second reception was very different from the first.

"A Visit From St. Nicholas," as it was then entitled, was copied broadcast, and its author awoke to find his work, if not himself, famous.

Although Clement Clarke Moore was educated for the ministry, he never took orders. For the greater part of his life he was identified with the New York General Theological seminary, being professor of Biblical learning and Greek and later of oriental languages.

Clement Moore's family life had many sorrows. His wife died at the early age of thirty-five, and the two little daughters, for whom he wrote "The Night Before Christmas," both died in their childhood. His son and namesake lived to the age of sixty-eight and is buried in the family plot.

When "The Night Before Christmas" was first published in the Troy Sentinel the editor wrote:

"We do not know to whom we are indebted for the following description



The "Service of Light."

of that unwearied patron of children that homely but delightful personification of parental kindness, Santa Claus his custom and his epique, as he goes about visiting the firesides of this happy land, laden with Christmas bounties, but from whomsoever it may have come we give thanks for it. There is to our apprehension a spirit of cordial goodness in it, a playfulness as of fancy and a benevolent alacrity to enter into the feelings and promote the simple pleasures of children which are altogether charming. We hope our little patrons, both lads and lassies, will accept it as a proof of our unfeigned good will toward them, a token of our warmest wish that they may have many a merry Christmas; that they may long retain their beautiful relish for these unbought, home bred joys which derive their flavor from filia piety and fraternal love and which they may be assured, are the least alloyed that time can furnish them."

Philadelphia Press.

### Christmas Song.

Oh, Christmas is a happy time,  
When human hearts are light  
And human hate have vanished  
And all the world looks bright!

And Christmas is a solemn time,  
For back long, long ago,  
Christ was born to give the world  
The joy that we now know.

But not alone at Christmas time  
Is happiness and cheer,  
For he who really loves the Lord  
Hath Christmas all the year.

—H. K. Boddier.

## CHURCH CIRCLES

### CONGREGATIONAL.

Rev. P. W. Dierberger, Pastor.  
Morning worship at 10 o'clock with sermon by the pastor. Subject, "Christmas Joy." The choir will render Christmas music, and Floyd Ward, will sing a solo.

Sunday school at 11:15 o'clock a. m. Class for men led by the pastor. The church with a welcome for all.

### CATHOLIC.

Rev. W. P. Conditine, Rector.  
Church of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Sunday services.  
Holy communion 6:30 a. m.  
Low mass 7:30 a. m.  
High mass 10:00 a. m.  
Catechism at 11:00 a. m.  
Baptisms at 3 p. m.  
Mass on week days at 7:00 a. m.  
Second Sunday in Advent.  
The Altar Society and St. Aloysius Sodality will receive holy communion next Sunday.

Christmas will be celebrated next Tuesday. High mass at 5 a. m.; low masses at 8 and 10 a. m. Benediction after the last mass. The Christmas Crib will be erected in the church. The offertory on Christmas will be for the pastor of the parish. A Reverend Father from Assumption college will assist the pastor.

### METHODIST EPISCOPAL.

Rev. G. H. Whitney, Pastor.  
Morning service at 10 o'clock as usual Sunday.

Bible school at 11:15 a. m.  
Epworth League at 6 p. m.  
Evening service at 7 o'clock.  
Thursday prayer meeting 7 p. m.  
A cordial invitation to all.

### BAPTIST.

Regular church services at 10 a. m. Prof. S. B. Laird, of Ypsilanti, will preach at the morning service.  
Sunday school at 11:15 o'clock a. m.  
Prayer meeting at 7 o'clock Thursday evening.  
Everybody welcome.

### ST. PAUL'S.

Rev. A. A. Schoen, Pastor.  
German service Sunday at 9:30 a. m. Subject, "A Message from the Wilderness."  
Sunday school at 10:30 a. m.  
Sunday school Christmas exercises at 6:30 o'clock Sunday evening.  
Christmas services Tuesday morning at 9:30 o'clock.  
The public is cordially invited.

### SALEM GERMAN M. E. CHURCH, NEAR FRANCISCO.

Rev. G. C. Notthardt, Pastor.  
Sunday school Sunday 9:30 a. m.  
German service at 10:30 a. m.  
Epworth League 7:00 p. m.  
English service 7:30 p. m.  
Everybody most cordially invited.

### FROM CAMP CUSTER.

Camp Custer, Dec. 15, 1917.  
Editor Standard: I wish to thank you for your kindness in sending me the Standard, the last two issues of which I have received and enjoyed reading them very much.

I have found the army life very interesting so far. We have not been quite so active the past week on account of the cold weather, but our quarters have been kept comfortable.

Wishing you a Merry Christmas and thanking you again for this much appreciated favor, I remain

Very truly yours,  
MAX M. KELLY.  
310th Trench Mortar Battery.

### Auction

Mrs. Matilda Horning having decided to move to York, Pa., to live with her son, will sell her personal property at public auction on the premises in the village of Francisco, on Wednesday, December 26, beginning at 1 p. m., consisting of household goods, canned fruit, etc. I. M. Kalmbach, auctioneer.

Jackson—Carl Eberle announces that shortly after the first of the year the Eberlebrewery will discontinue the manufacture of beer and that the company will be reorganized, with his two sons in charge, for the manufacture of non-alcoholic drinks.—Patriot.

### He Could Hardly Wear His Clothes

Alvis Sowers, Ade, Ind., endured terrible pains in his back and through his kidneys for eight years before he finally used Foley Kidney Pills. He says: "I would blow up at times so that I could hardly wear my clothes. Secretions were scant and very red. Foley Kidney Pills were recommended to me, and the first box removed the pain and after taking only three boxes the blotting was all gone and has never bothered me since."

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### Council Proceedings.

(OFFICIAL)  
Chelsea, December 17, 1917  
Council met in regular session.  
Meeting called to order by President Lehman.

Present—Trustees Dancer, Frymuth, Meyer, Hirth. Absent—Eppler, Palmer.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following bills were read by the clerk:

General Fund.  
L. P. Vogel, merchandise—\$ 16.00  
Hindelang & Fahrner, roofing— 13.50  
H. E. Cooper, 1/2 mo. salary— 35.00  
Howard Brooks, fire chief, Chipman, VanRiper, Hieber and Scripser fires and 1 cord wood— 100.50

Street Fund.  
G. Bockres 2 weeks—\$ 20.00  
Gil. Martin, 28 hrs. @ 20 cents— 5.60  
A. B. Shutes, gravel and right-of-way— 24.30  
Chelsea Elevator Co., material— 7.65

Electric Light & Water Works Fund.  
Electric Light & Water Commission—\$2500.00

Enter Eppler.

Moved by Dancer, supported by Frymuth, that the bills be allowed as read and that orders be drawn for the several amounts.

Yeas—Dancer, Meyer, Frymuth, Eppler. Nays—None. Carried.

Moved by Frymuth, supported by Meyer, that we adjourn. Carried.

W. R. Daniels, Clerk.

### Lyndon Tax Notice.

I will be at the Lyndon town hall, December 14, 21 and 28, the Farmers & Merchants Bank, Chelsea, December 15, 22 and 29, and January 5 and 12 for the purpose of collecting taxes.

HOMER STOFER, Treasurer.

### Dexter Taxpayers.

I will be at the Dexter Savings Bank on Saturdays until and including January 5; at Kempf Commercial & Savings Bank, Chelsea, on Wednesday, January 2, for the purpose of receiving taxes.

R. L. DONAVAN,  
23 Treasurer of Dexter township.

Make this a Red Cross Christmas.

### Notice to Lima Taxpayers.

The undersigned will be at the Lima town hall every Friday during the month of December; Dexter Savings Bank, Saturday, December 22 and at the Kempf Commercial & Savings Bank, Chelsea, Saturday, January 5, to receive taxes.

FRED BAHNMILLER,  
21 Treasurer Lima Township.

### Notice to Hunters.

We, the undersigned will not allow any hunting, trapping or trespassing on our premises:

Mrs. Wm. Grieb Christ. Haas  
John H. Alber A. W. Taylor  
Alfred Kaercher Mrs. Thos. Taylor  
R. M. Hoppe Thomas Fleming  
F. C. Haist E. M. Eismann  
Fred Seitz Geo. Rothfoss  
W. S. Pielemeier Edwin Pielemeier  
M. L. Burkhardt Mrs. Kate Neibhaus  
W. H. Eismann George E. Haist  
C. D. Jenks Theo. Buehler  
A. B. Skinner Joseph Liebeck  
Henry Kalmbach Geo. T. English  
Reed Estate Samuel Stadel  
John C. Leeman John G. Fischer

### IMPORTANCE OF HEALTHY KIDNEYS

Chelsea Readers Should Learn to Keep the Kidneys Well.

The kidneys have a big work to do. All the blood in the body is coursing through the kidneys constant to be freed of poisonous matter. It is a heavy enough task when the kidneys are well, but a cold, chill, fever or some thoughtless exposure is likely to irritate, inflame and congest the kidneys and interrupt the purifying work. Then the aching frequently begins and is often accompanied by some irregularity of the urine—too frequent passages, sediment or retention. Thousands testify to the wonderful merit of Doan's Kidney Pills, a remedy for the kidney only, that has been used in kidney troubles 50 years. You will make no mistake in following this Chelsea citizen's advice:

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Price 60c. at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Lehman had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.—Adv.

## Smoke Dull Care Away!

Don't let dull care encroach upon the Christmas cheer. SMOKE IT OUT. After the cheerful dinner get your Jimmy pipe or your cigar and dissipate care in the fragrant smoke of the weed. Of course you'll want the BEST. You'll find it in a box of our fragrant Miss Detroit, Mi Dona or La Preferencia Cigars. Or if your taste runs to the more companionable pipe, try a package of our mellow Prince Albert, Tuxedo or Velvet. Everything in Pipes, from the 5c Cob to the finest Brier. Everything in Cigars, from the Stogies to the finest Havana. Everything in Tobacco, from Lugs to the best Turkish.

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## Dufresnay's Christmas Awakening

ON Christmas morning of the year 1081 M. Dufresnay's apartments were in some confusion. Monsieur himself as he slept on a spindly-legged sofa was not the very image of order. His rose colored satin coat was under his head, and his silk stockings dangled over the end of his all too brief bed. The cards of yesterday and yesterday's bestrewn the floor.

He was disturbed by the insistent tinkling of a bell. Dufresnay groaned and struggled to his feet.

On opening the door he beheld a very beautiful young lady quaintly disguised as a working woman and carrying a large basket such as laundresses use. Dufresnay retreated in confusion, howling profoundly and wrestling with his coat.

"I pray you pardon me, mademoiselle. I did not expect a vision!"

"And I pray you, monsieur, not to mock me," she replied, with a very lit-



"I Did Not Expect a Vision!"

tle smile. "The last time I came your servant said you had no money. You owe me 17 livres."

Dufresnay gazed in speechless incredulity for a moment and then burst out laughing.

"A merry Christmas to you, mademoiselle!" he cried. "Is the basket for me?"

"I wish you also a merry Christmas. But please, please listen to me. Perhaps the wine is not yet out of your head. But I must have money today. Surely you can understand?"

Dufresnay partially mustered his wits and attempted an elaborate compliment.

"I have seen all the shepherdesses of our Arcadian Versailles and— By the goddess of the laundry, you are not crying! The basket is very heavy. And here are actual shirts!"

He looked in comic perplexity from the basket to the girl. Then he said gently, "Has no one ever told you how beautiful you are?"

"Certainly you are not the first to flatter me nor the first that failed to pay me, but," she added, and her eyes filled with tears, "I had better hopes of you. Fine words will not help me."

"I know they will not. What have I that will bring 17 livres? This ring?"

"But that is a wedding ring."

"My mother's. And it is for my wife. It is for you."

"That is a cruel jest. And I thought you were so different. You have never seen me before, but I live not far away, and I have often seen you. You are not yourself now or you would not mock me so."

"I was never myself before," insisted Dufresnay.

At this moment a stately personage appeared in the doorway and rang the bell with great vigor.

Dufresnay greeted him with delight. "Is his majesty returned to Paris? No? He is well?"

Turning to the girl, he said: "I am, as perhaps you know, the king's poor kinsman, as poor as he is rich. M. Ribot has been the bearer of many good gifts. Monsieur, mademoiselle is my betrothed."

"Ahem! M. Dufresnay, his majesty intrusted me with this Christmas present for you—this purse of gold, 500 louis, I believe, and this commission creating you valet de chambre du roi, with a stipend of 100,000 livres per annum. I congratulate you, monsieur. As I have many other commissions to execute for his gracious majesty, I must humbly take my leave."

"Present my grateful thanks and Christmas wishes to his majesty."

M. Ribot made his departure with somewhat the air of one who gladly takes leave of questionable company.

"May I also congratulate you, monsieur?" timidly ventured the girl. "You can pay me now," she added rather faintly.

"You see my establishment—how I live. Could not the order of these apartments be improved? Will you abandon me amid such ruins? The abbe who ministers in the church yonder is my good friend."

"Why, he is also my abbe!"

"Wonderful! White lambs and black are alike his care. I am a monk no-

lucky gambler. And you can give me better luck than ever came of winning. On my honor, I love you. And the abbe will be very glad to see us. Shall we not make the good old man happy?"

"If you will, monsieur,"—W. R. Van Deusen in New York Evening Sun.

## A Christmas Prayer.

God grant no little child may go  
With hungry heart or empty hand—  
Give this thy world one radiant day  
To understand, to understand.  
Give us the fitting word to say,  
The spendthrift smile, the brave ca-  
res;  
Disclose our hearts and give us now  
The courage of our tenderness!  
Lord, we are old with toil and tears,  
Our souls are veiled with various art,  
Yet still the little children keep  
Thine ancient simplicity of heart—  
And they alone of all thy breath  
May bind the burning angels' eyes  
And, striking laughter from the sword,  
Retrace the years to paradise.  
They are so brave with love and  
dreams,  
So eager eyed and, oh, so dear!  
I think we must return them now  
The faith they bore across the year.  
I think that we must give them now  
The spendthrift smile, the kindly  
word,  
That earth may keep its ancient hope  
And see thy full commandments  
Lord.  
—Dana Burnett.

## Christmas Tree For the Birds

Mr. and Mrs. Song Sparrow, the Misses Flicker, Cock Robin, Miss Jennie Wren, Sir Woodpecker and other members of the feathered Four Hundred who were lured by warm days at beginning of one winter into stopping with us, only to find themselves sadly hit later by the high cost of living, were thrown into a flutter of excitement by cards issued by Miss Louise Laidlaw of Sands Point, N. Y., to a birds' Christmas tree party.

It was held in the bird sanctuary on the Laidlaw place, near the commodious home built for bird tenants in a sheltering elm there. The tree was the finest ever.

For days little Miss Louise was busy in the pauses of her lessons, stringing



The Birds' Christmas Tree.

cranberries, popcorn, nuts and other dainties beloved of birds. Strings of red skinned apples, cut into tiny pieces convenient for birds to peck at, were a prominent feature of the decorations, and so were bacon rinds and lumps of suet, which are good to keep warmth in the little bodies when the cold creeps under their feathered coats.

Miss Louise, who spent most of her time in the country, studied the ways of the birds and their likings, and she knew that they are so strongly attracted by bright colored things as are children. That is why the tree was made pretty with gay tinted berries.

There was a large attendance, and no birds were turned away, no matter how shabby their coats or disreputable their reputations. The blustering little English sparrows were welcomed with the rest, although they tried to bully the others. Even grouchy old Sir Crow was permitted to peck a bit.

## 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, or calling back the children of a family who have lunched 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.

Make this a Red Cross Christmas.

## What the Christmas "Waits" Sing

SANTA CLAUS being about to desert the city streets for his annual reindeer ride over the roofs, the "waits" prepare to sing their centuries old carols.

In several American cities has been revived the beautiful old custom of the "waits" going about from house to house singing the familiar old songs. Light the Christmas candles in your window if you want them to stop before your home!

God rest you merry, gentlemen; let nothing you dismay—  
they will surely sing that, perhaps the best known of all old English carols. And this too:

Hark! The herald angels sing,  
Glory to the newborn king.  
And, of course, "O Little Town of Bethlehem."

Perhaps, too, they will sing what is said to be the earliest known Christmas carol, dating from the Anglo-Norman days of the thirteenth century, which begins:

Lordings, listen to our lay—  
We have come from far away  
To seek Christmas,  
In this mansion we are told  
He his yearly feasts doth hold;  
'Tis today!  
May joy come from God above  
To all those who Christmas love.

This carol ends with the toast of those days:

"Here, then, I bid you all wassail, cursed be he who will not say drink-hall." Wassail meaning your health and "drinkhall" being the usual and courteous acknowledgment.

One of the best known of all the old carols, although not one of the oldest, was written by Nahum Tate in 1703 and is called the "Song of the Angels." It begins:

While shepherds watched their flocks by night,  
All seated on the ground,  
The angel of the Lord came down  
And glory shone around.

Many are the carols in which Britain's ancient holly figures. "Then drink to the holly berry," pledges one writer of songs, while another in "Under the Holly Bough" summons "All ye



Singing at the Doors.

who have scorned each other or injured friend or brother, come gather here." And then there's that grand old hymn "Adeste Fideles," sung in every church in this land and in others, at this Christmas season:

Oh, come, all ye faithful,  
Joyful and triumphant!  
Come ye, oh, come ye to Bethlehem!

Christmas would not be Christmas, of course, if the "waits" were to neglect one other of the most beautiful of old carols:

Holy night, peaceful night!  
Through the darkness beams a light.  
Holy night, peaceful night!  
Through the darkness beams a light!

Yonder, where they sweet vigils keep  
O'er the babe who, in silent sleep,  
Rests in heavenly peace,  
Rests in heavenly peace.

If there are any of you who have in mind an after-Christmas dinner evening of song to the accompaniment of a harpsichord, a spinet, a lute or a piano or even the modern and much advertised disk machine, it might be well to try this on the company:

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing,  
Hark! The herald angels sing,  
Glory to the newborn king:  
Peace on earth and mercy mild,  
God and sinners reconciled!  
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,  
Join the triumph of the skies,  
With the angelic host proclaim  
Christ is born in Bethlehem.  
Hark! The herald angels sing,  
Glory to the newborn king!"

## CORRESPONDENCE

### SUGAR LOAF LAKE.

Mrs. John Brietenbach spent the week-end in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Beeman spent Tuesday in Jackson.

Lawrence Riemenschneider was the guest of Claire Rowe Sunday.

Miss Nina Beeman spent last week with friends and relatives in Detroit.

Claire Rowe, of Kalamazoo, spent Saturday and Sunday with his parents here.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Beeman, Bert Kellogg and Bud Robinson spent Tuesday in Jackson.

Bert Kellogg, of Ann Arbor, spent Sunday and Monday at the home of G. W. Beeman.

George Rowe and family, of Jackson, spent Sunday with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Rowe.

### NORTH FRANCISCO.

Cecil Lampert spent Sunday with Philip Fauser.

Ora Miller spent Monday night with Rhona Peterson.

Charles Meyer is spending some time with Henry Notten.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Lehman spent Sunday at the home of Herman Zott.

Mrs. Minnie Gage spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eric Notten.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Notten spent Sunday with Emmett Dancer and family, of Chelsea.

Mr. Miller, the missionary, gave a lecture on India Sunday evening in Salem German M. E. church, which was very much enjoyed by all present.

The Ladies' Aid Society of Salem German M. E. church will serve a chicken pie dinner in the basement of the church on New Year's day. Everybody invited.

The installation of the officers of Francisco Arbor of Gleaners will be held Thursday, December 27, in the German school house, at Francisco. The meeting will be held in the day time and will be for Gleaners and their families.

### UNADILLA NEWS.

Carl Griffin is visiting in Morley for a few weeks.

Forrest Aseltine was in Ann Arbor, Friday and Saturday.

A. J. Holmes is moving to the S. E. Nelson farm this week.

Miss Ruth Watson visited Dorothy Budd at Jackson the last of the week.

Christmas exercises will be held at the M. E. church next Monday evening.

Roy Palmer has purchased the S. G. Palmer farm and is moving there this week.

James Little and Mrs. Janet Webb have had a new furnace installed in their homes.

Mrs. Stevenson, who has been staying at the home of Mrs. A. O. Watson has gone to Detroit where she will make her home.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Pyper, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hartsoff and Miss Watson visited at the home of L. K. Hadley Friday.

### GRASS LAKE ITEMS

The Grass Lake schools will close Friday for one week's vacation.

Samuel Nelson, foreman of the Starr seed farm is confined to his home with a treated attack of pneumonia.

The Congregational and Methodist societies have been holding services in the church parlors to conserve fuel.

Mrs. W. A. Boland expects to leave for California to spend the winter. Mr. Boland has been there for several weeks.

Miss Margaret Boland left Friday for Columbus college, N. Y., where she will attend that institution the remainder of the school year.

Misses Esther Mellencamp, Wilma Davis, Ruth Foster, Mattie Carter and John Cutler are spending the holiday season with their parents here.

John Kalmbach has purchased the house and lot owned by Nathaniel Reynolds, and has removed there with his family from the C. C. Corwin farm, north of the village.

The Congregational Sunday school will hold their Christmas program next Sunday morning. In the evening the Congregational and Baptist choirs will give a Christmas musical program in the auditorium of the church.

Mrs. Roanna Longyear left Wednesday for Chicago where she will meet her son, Edmund, and they will proceed to Los Angeles, Calif., to join Mr. Longyear's family, who have been there several months. They will spend the winter in that state.

### FRANCISCO VILLAGE.

James Richards, of North Francisco, was a guest at the Frey home Monday.

Mrs. John Helle and grandson, Arthur Frey, were Jackson visitors Monday.

Walter Schittenhelm, of Camp Custer, spent Sunday at the home of his parents.

Chapman Waddams, of Henrietta, will spend the winter at the home of Morris Hammond.

Mrs. Chris Klingler, of Sylvan, visited her aunt, Mrs. C. H. Plowe, the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Benter, of Cavanaugh Lake, spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Plowe.

Hazen and William H. Lehman visited their brother Emory, Monday, who is ill at Camp Custer.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Welsh entertained their son, who was home from Ft. Sheridan, several days of last week.

Miss Selma Benter and her sister, Miss Augusta Benter, of Chelsea, attended a musical entertainment in Ann Arbor Monday evening.

John and Merritt Lowe, of Summit, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Orin Scramblin, Friday. In forty-seven years these people have not missed spending at least one day of the year together.

### MANCHESTER NEWS.

The temporary organization brought about by some of our most progressive farmers a short time ago was made a permanent one last week Tuesday evening at Liberty hall when R. H. Ellsworth, of the M. A. C. gave a fine address to a company of about 50 farmers. The organization is to be known as the Farmers' Co-operative Livestock Shipping Association, at present composed of about 50 members, with a membership fee of \$10. The officers are as follows: President, Hiram Parr; vice president, Elmer Bowers; secretary, Wm. Martin; treasurer, Benjamin Matteson. The board of directors is composed of Charles McMahon, Frank Kress and Wm. Every.

### Easton Case Dismissed.

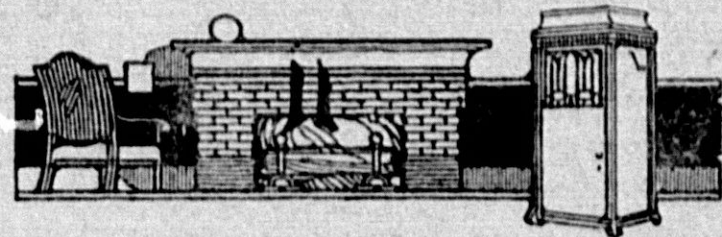
Ann Arbor Times News: The case of Alvin J. Easton et. al., vs. Amarinta Easton and Leland Easton, of Lima, which was tried before Judge Kinne in the circuit court Friday was attended with considerable interest among the people of that section of the county, and also among the members of the legal fraternity.

The case was brought by the plaintiffs, heirs of the late Leander Easton by his first wife, to set aside a certain deed by which Leander Easton conveyed to his fourth wife, who survives him, and to their son, Leland Easton, all of his real estate. Leander Easton died on May 24 of this year, and on April 15, a little more than a month before his death, the deed in question was executed. Mr. Easton was married four times, but his last wife, who was one of the defendants in this suit, lived with him 30 years. It is understood that the children of the first wives will profit by the division of a considerable amount of personal property, but that was not a part of this case.

Judge Kinne, rendered a decision, which was filed Saturday morning that the case should be dismissed with costs to the defendants. The judge held that Leander Easton, at the time he made the deed, was according to the testimony in open competency, and that if the document in question had been a will instead of a deed there would be no questions as to its validity.

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### LOCAL ITEMS

The flag was conspicuous by its absence while the soldiers were here, Monday.

Born, on Monday, December 17, 1917, to Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Hindelang, a daughter.

On account of the shortage of fuel, the M. E. prayer meeting will be held in the parsonage.

On Christmas day the Chelsea post-office will close at 9 o'clock a. m., and remain closed the rest of the day.

A marriage license has been granted to Francis Wayne May, 21, Lyndon, and Ione Frances Gorton, 16, Jackson.

John Guenther during the past week sold to Sauer & Co., of Ann Arbor, 1300 cords of wood on his farm at \$2.75 per cord.

Max Roedel, son of Mrs. Alice Roedel, and Leo McQuillan, son of Mrs. T. McQuillan, have enlisted in the navy and have been sent to the Great Lakes training station.

Twenty-five members of the Odd Fellows went to Ann Arbor Tuesday evening. Five candidates were taken along and given the first degree by the Ann Arbor degree team.

Jack Willis, who has been agent for the D. J. & C. Ry., for several months, has been transferred to Ann Arbor, and will start work December 27. Raymond Eyre will be the new agent here.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Runciman have moved from their farm to their residence on Harrison street. George Robards, who has been working the Henry Pierce farm, has moved to the Runciman farm.

Glenn H. Barbour attended the annual meeting of the Michigan Rabbit Breeders' Association at Grand Rapids, Friday. He was elected vice president of the association.

A collision on the D. J. & C. Ry., at the Parker road, Tuesday, shook up the passengers and disfigured a car considerably. The accident was caused by a car which had gone in on siding running into a standing freight car.

Miss Grace Schenk, who is attending the Ypsilanti Normal College, won first prize for the best poster advertising the concert given by the Normal Choir. The prize was offered by Professor Alexander, head of the Conservatory of Music.

Monday a telegram came to Fred Richards announcing the death of his brother Edwin, of Hastings. Had he lived seven days longer he would have been 95 years old. Surviving him are two brothers and one sister, all residents of Chelsea.

The directors of the Security Trust Company, of Detroit, at their annual meeting last week, gave recognition to efficient service by making Claude A. Guerin a vice president of the company. Mr. Guerin was a former resident here, and was employed in the office of the old White Portland Cement Co. Since 1908 he has been in the employ of the Security Trust Company.

When Superintendent of Public Instruction Keeler recommended to the school boards of education throughout the state that the regular holiday vacation be cut to Christmas and New Years days, he did not reckon with the coal situation. Instead of shortening the vacation, the local board has been compelled to make it longer and the school closed Friday and will not open until there is coal in the bins.

A number of troop trains passed east through Chelsea, Monday afternoon, and one of them stopped here for thirty minutes while the men were allowed to get off the train and stretch themselves. Squads of the men were marched south on Main and East streets. They were from Camp Grant, Rockford, Ill., and were a fine looking lot of men. One of the officers, Lieut. Butler, was an acquaintance of Rev. P. W. Dierberger, and they had a short visit.

Miss Esther May Depew, of this city, and Paul Bowditch Taylor, of Schenectady, N. Y., were united in marriage, Friday evening, at the home of the bride, Rev. N. C. Fetter performing the ceremony, which was witnessed by twenty-five guests. Mr. Taylor is planning to enter the engineering service in connection with the medical corps immediately. The bride is a graduate of the local high school and is a junior literary student in the university, while the bridegroom is a senior engineering student. Ann Arbor Times-News. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. J. Depew, former Chelsea residents, and has many friends here.

### RED CROSS NOTES.

The following new members are reported:

J. Bacon, Peter Gorman, Mrs. P. Gorman, R. B. Waltrous, N. H. Cook, O. J. Walworth, C. F. Hathaway, Mrs. M. Kusterer, Waldo Kusterer, Laura Hieber, Mrs. E. A. Tjisch, Ed. Brown, Mr. Jane Vanatta, Blanche Stephens, H. W. Cunningham, Mrs. H. W. Cunningham, Mrs. Wm. Arnold, S. A. Mapes, Mrs. J. Bachman, J. T. Woods, Mrs. Lynn Kern, Mrs. Imogene Smith, Mrs. Ella Monroe, Howard Holmes, R. D. Walker, Mrs. G. J. Crowell, Mrs. J. Dryer, Mrs. W. R. Daniels, Mrs. Otto Hinderer, Ruth Saylor, G. W. Beckwith, Julius Kaercher, F. C. Klinger, Fay Bagge, W. B. Dancer, Mrs. J. N. Strieter, T. Drislane, Mrs. T. Drislane, Harold Kaercher, Clayton Ward, Joseph Laikosa, Mrs. F. H. Hammond, Edythe Koebbe, Mrs. W. R. French, Doris Shepherd, Mrs. C. W. Speer, Mrs. L. V. Carpenter, Mrs. George Hamp, Mantle Spaulding, Mrs. D. A. Spaulding, Mrs. Olive Winslow, Rev. G. Eisen, Mrs. M. Heschelwerdt, Mrs. Geo. Nordman, W. S. Davidson, D. E. Beach, Mrs. D. E. Beach, Hilda Mohrlock, Lizzie Mast, J. F. Maier, E. D. Chipman, Mrs. Kent Walworth, Ivan Baldwin, Alvin Baldwin, Alice Baldwin, J. G. Webster, J. N. Dancer, Louise Hieber, Mrs. R. W. Hall, H. J. Dancer, C. J. Downer, Mrs. Charlotte Thompson, Mrs. Frank Leach, Leroy Brower, Mrs. M. J. Baxter, Roy Dillon, W. P. Schenk, Hannah Hall, Anita Stimpson, J. W. Schenk, Mrs. John Schieferstein, Mrs. A. B. Clark, Mrs. E. C. Taylor, H. H. Green, Mrs. L. Reilly, G. H. Barbour, J. F. Shaver, Maureen Wood, Mrs. Mary Tobin, Mrs. Miranda McKnight, Frank Chambers, Miss C. A. Sharp, Mrs. M. E. McDonald, Mary Trumbull, L. H. Hindelang, Mrs. J. Kalmbach, Mrs. W. P. Taylor, Tressa Conlan, Mrs. A. Winans, Mrs. J. G. Wagner, Mrs. A. E. Johnson, Mrs. J. N. Dancer, Mrs. Geo. Elsiele, Mrs. M. B. Millsbaugh, Arvilla Closser, Ada Hamilton, Mrs. T. Callahan, St. Mary Academy, Rha Alexander, Mrs. Rha Alexander, Mrs. Michael Merkel, W. J. Shepherd, Mrs. Louis Burg, Mrs. M. Swickerath, Florence Turnbull.

Junior—Leonard VanGieson, Josephine Walker.

Receipt of \$2.50 from the Chat'en Sea Club is acknowledged.

### W. R. C. Officers.

The following officers were elected at the regular meeting of the Woman's Relief Corps, Friday afternoon, December 14:

President—Mrs. Mary L. Boyd.  
Senior Vice President—Mrs. Ida Webster.  
Junior Vice President—Mrs. Evelyn Russell.  
Secretary—Miss Nina Crowell.  
Chaplain—Mrs. Elizabeth Wals.  
Conductor—Mrs. Emily Clark.  
Guard—Mrs. Amelia Geddes.  
Delegate to Department Convention—Mrs. Laura Armour.  
Alternate—Mrs. Martha Shaver.

### Grange Officers.

Lafayette Grange elected the following officers for the ensuing year:

Master—John Kilmer.  
Overser—George Gage.  
Lecturer—Mrs. Helen Kilmer.  
Steward—George English.  
Assistant Steward—Mason Whipple.  
Chaplain—Mrs. Frances English.  
Treasurer—O. C. Burkhart.  
Secretary—Mrs. Mary Gage.  
Gate Keeper—Fred Sager.  
Ceres—Miss Ethel Whipple.  
Pomona—Mrs. Mary Sager.  
Flora—Mrs. Mrs. Ethel Hesel'schwerdt.

L. A. Steward—Mrs. Edith Whipple.

### Princess Theatre.

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### SATURDAY, DEC. 21.

Louise Glaum in "Idolators", the story of the moth and the candle.

### SUNDAY, DEC. 22.

Rupert Julian and Ruth Clifford in "A Kentucky Cinderella." How a wail was waited to happiness despite the wiles of a designing woman.

### TUESDAY, DEC. 25.

Christmas Day.  
The most famous of all western character actors, William S. Hart, in "The Square Deal Man." The regeneration of a square-jawed westerner who staked his all on the love of a girl and won.

### WEDNESDAY, DEC. 26.

William Desmond in "Master of His Home." The story of a millionaire who made the great mistake of marrying for a home. In addition to the above feature will be shown "Who Leads the National Army." Hundreds of thousands of America's finest young men are in training camps—others are on the battle-front abroad. Relatives and friends of these red-blooded fighters want to know everything about the officers who will lead them "over the top." It is authorized by the war department. Produced by the Military Training Camps Association. Shows everything about the selection and training of these officers.—Adv.

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Men's Sweater Coats .....	\$1.50 to \$7.50
Large Showing of Neckwear .....	25c to \$1.50
Silk and Madras Shirts, some in Xmas Boxes .....	\$1.25 to \$4.50
Men's Kid Gloves, either Plain, Silk Lined or Fleeced Lined ..	\$1.50 to \$2.50
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Week Patching Holes and Rents  
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Camp MacArthur, Waco—Economy  
is the watchword of the Michigan and  
Wisconsin guardsmen in training here.

Every scrap of paper is picked up  
and saved, all the bones from the kitchen  
are kept, every empty bottle is laid  
away and any rags, whether parts of  
uniforms or the aprons of the cooks,  
must be preserved. When there is an  
accumulation, the collection is turned  
over to the camp quartermaster.

The bones, bottles and rags are sold.  
The parts of uniforms are saved, cleaned  
and used to patch uniforms for this  
thrifty move on the part of the govern-  
ment has extended to the clothing of  
its fighting men also.

A dozen women kept busy six days  
a week, six days a week, at the camp  
quartermaster's building. They patch  
and mend and close up rents.

Nor are shoes thrown away now  
when they are worn. They are turned  
over to cobblers, who make repairs  
whenever possible and then they are  
returned to the original wearer, just  
as are the uniforms.

Once upon a time old shoes were  
destroyed. So were old uniforms, but  
that time has passed. The soldier  
may be patched and cobbled, but there  
is less waste.

### TRAINING SPEEDED AT CUSTER

Appeals From Abroad for Soldiers  
Causes Work to Be Rushed.

Camp Custer, Battle Creek—In-  
spired by appeals from abroad for  
American troops and urged by the  
cold facts laid before them by war de-  
partment officials, unit commanders of  
the Eighty-fifth division are losing no  
available drill time despite the inclement  
weather and drains on their numeri-  
cal strength.

Every effort is being made to get  
the men in shape for movement  
abroad. Most of the troops are being  
sent to the rifle ranges regularly, in  
spite of the inclement weather.

While commanders realize that the  
cold weather will naturally keep the  
men from showing maximum effi-  
ciency, they deem it necessary to give  
them as much target practice as pos-  
sible, so the amateurs will become fa-  
miliar with the mechanism of their  
rifles.

During the past week the population  
of the camp was reduced by over 2,000  
men, this number having been sent to  
various other training camps.

Another 3,000 are probably already  
on the way to southern camps. An-  
nouncement will not be made until the  
movement has been completed.

In the near future, other special  
units, such as ambulance companies  
and ammunition trains, and candidates  
for aviation branches, will filter to dif-  
ferent sections of the country.

### GUARD EXPECTS EARLY ACTION

War Department Orders Indicate U. S.  
Troops Are Needed in Trenches.

Camp MacArthur, Waco, Tex.—From  
the office of Secretary of War Newton  
D. Baker comes word that American  
forces now in France and those to go  
overseas early may get into action  
soon after their arrival.

Buried in the middle of a memo-  
randum on machine gun training, the  
information bears out the statement  
of Major-General James Parker, made  
last week that the Yankees were  
needed "over there" at once.

"It is most important that the regi-  
mental machine gun companies should be  
trained first and then the brigade  
companies," says the memorandum.  
"The division sent early to France  
may be required soon after arrival to  
take over a portion of the line. It is  
essential, therefore, that the regi-  
mental and brigade companies should  
be capable of taking over the machine  
gun defenses of the sectors concerned.  
If time does not permit before leaving  
this country, the training of the divi-  
sional battalions will have to be car-  
ried out in France."

### WITH THE BOYS AT CAMPCUSTER

Regimental officers estimate that  
only about 50 per cent of efficiency is  
obtained in the cold weather, but de-  
clare this is better than no outdoor  
work at all. It is against the policy of  
the division to allow men to remain  
in barracks if avoidable.

Camp Custer is the healthiest army  
camp in America, according to figures  
announced by the division surgeon's  
office.

Simultaneously with the appearance  
of the trench helmet there has ap-  
peared the first camouflage uniform.  
It resembles a suit of hooded white  
pajamas and will be used by sentries  
and outposts during winter weather.  
Garbed in one of these outfits it is  
hard to distinguish at 300 yards or  
more, and at night cannot be seen at  
all at 150 yards, even when moving  
about.

## MICHIGAN NEWS BRIEFS

A municipal fish market has been  
opened at Bay City.

Petoskey bakers have established  
the cash and carry system.  
O. O. Stanchfield, of Hillsdale, has  
left for India, where he is a leader in  
Y. M. C. A. work.

The Lake Carrier's association an-  
nounces that a winter class for sailors  
will be conducted at Marine City.

Camp Custer officers will act as in-  
structors in the new military training  
course in the Battle Creek high school.

Frank Jostock, 16 years old Lapeer  
boy, was accidentally shot and killed  
by Frank Becker, of Detroit, while  
hunting rabbits near Five Lakes.

Petoskey grocers and butchers have  
cut deliveries to two a day. They  
have also shortened the time length  
of credits to from pay day to pay day.

Six Kalamazoo college and high  
school boys were sentenced to 20  
days each in the county jail and fined  
\$50 for borrowing automobiles for joy  
rides.

George Lenhart, 58 years old, of  
Gladstone, was killed when a gun in  
the hands of a companion exploded as  
the latter stumbled. Lenhart was hit  
in the stomach and died in a hospital  
at Escanaba.

Germans of Traverse City in their  
annual meeting pledged "Their last  
dollar and last drop of blood" to  
President Wilson to conquer the Cen-  
tral Empires and make the "World  
Safe for Democracy."

Coleman C. Vaughan, secretary of  
state, is taking the lead in agitation  
for some official influence on boards  
of education, with whom the power  
rests, to eliminate all German instruc-  
tion in graded schools.

Lansing coal dealers have pooled  
their interests following a conference  
with W. K. Prudden. All orders are  
filled through a central agency. Several  
Lansing factories donated coal for  
use in the most needy homes.

The Oakland County Patriotic league  
has subscriptions totaling more than  
\$50,000, says Secretary D. J. More-  
land. The funds will be sufficient to  
meet the quotas for authorized soldier,  
warfare and Red Cross needs for sev-  
eral months.

Realization by the federal depart-  
ment of agriculture and the food ad-  
ministration of the gravity of the seed  
corn situation in Michigan has result-  
ed in the granting to M. A. C. the  
authority to employ six temporary as-  
sistant county agents at large to assist  
in the work of seed corn conservation.

An effort is being made by State  
Game Warden John Baird to close this  
season on partridge in 1918 to prevent  
the extermination of this game bird.  
Mr. Baird says that his department has  
taken a census of the birds and pre-  
dicts that, should the open season con-  
tinue for the next two or three years,  
this bird would go the way of the wild  
pigeon.

Uriah C. Fitzsimmons and Luther  
H. Fitzsimmons, Reading township  
twins, celebrated their eightieth birth-  
day anniversary a few days ago. They  
claim the honor of being first twins  
born in Hillsdale county, and have  
never lived outside the township in which  
they were born. Both men are farm-  
ers. Uriah still works every day, but  
Luther has grown lame.

University of Michigan officials pre-  
dict that the enrollment will drop to  
2,500 in the fall of 1918. December 1  
there were 5,076 students enrolled,  
which was 1,525 less than the total en-  
rollment of the previous year, exclu-  
sive of the summer session. Of the  
5,076, 1,096 are women and 3,983 men.  
Of the men, 1,853 are of draft age,  
are registered, and awaiting their call.

Slightly more than 14 per cent of  
the 25,000 men who made up the last  
increment to come to Custer, have  
been rejected because of physical dis-  
abilities. The examinations of all, in-  
cluding the stragglers and alternates,  
has been completed. Exactly 1,810  
men were declared physically unfit. In  
all 3,372 men have been turned away  
from this camp by the medical offi-  
cers since Custer opened.

When the family home burned, the  
four-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs.  
John Jameson, of Ontonagon, was  
saved by John Garvin, former county  
clerk of Ontonagon county. The par-  
ents were away from home when the  
fire was discovered. The presence of  
the baby in the house was not known  
until the fire had made serious head-  
way. Garvin found the baby under  
the bed, where it had crawled from  
fright.

A limestone plant employing at least  
500 men will be opened at Rogers  
City next spring by the Kelley Island  
Lime & Transport Co., of Cleveland.  
The company has purchased 2,000 acres  
of stone land on the lake shore and  
has started clearing and excavation  
work. The world's largest limestone  
plant is already located at Rogers City,  
this being the Michigan Limestone &  
Chemical Co. plant which last year  
shipped more than 5,000,000 tons of  
stone.

Every Catholic home in Detroit is to  
be visited by solicitors for the  
Knights of Columbus \$5,000,000 fund  
in the big drive which starts January  
7. Detroit's apportionment is \$150,000,  
but it is expected that Detroit will  
greatly exceed this amount.

Because their brother, Ray Hebert,  
25 years old, of Menominee, is held  
captive by the Germans, Homer, Earl  
and George Hebert of that city have  
entered the service of the nation to  
help liberate him. There is only one  
more boy in the Hebert family, he be-  
ing rejected for service.

## OUTSIDE PALE OF HUMANITY

Frightfulness Taught by German  
Leaders Belongs to Age of  
Barbarism.

### SOLEMN PLEDGE MERE WORDS

Kaiser's Statesmen Had No Intention  
of Keeping Faith With Their  
Agreement on International Law  
—Horrors Told by Diaries.

In giving to the American people  
the knowledge of German inhuman-  
ity in Belgium, says a pamphlet is-  
sued by the committee on public in-  
formation, the evidence is drawn  
mainly from German and American  
sources. The German sources in-  
clude official proclamations and  
other official utterances, letters and  
diaries of German soldiers, and quo-  
tations from German newspapers.  
The "Rules for Field Service" of the  
German army advises each soldier  
to keep a diary while on active  
service.

In the wars waged in ancient times  
it was taken for granted that con-  
quered peoples might be either killed,  
tortured, or held as slaves; that their  
property would be taken and that their  
lands would be devastated. "Yae vic-  
tis!—woe to the conquered!" For two  
centuries or more there has been a  
steady advance in introducing ideas  
of humanity and especially in confining  
the evils of warfare to the combatants.  
The ideal seemed to have become so  
thoroughly established as a part of in-  
ternational law that the powers at The  
Hague thought it sufficient merely to  
state the general principles in Article  
XLVI of the regulations: "Family hon-  
ors and rights, the lives of persons  
and private property, as well as re-  
ligious convictions and practice, must  
be respected. Private property cannot  
be confiscated." Germany, in common  
with the other powers, solemnly  
pledged her faith to keep this article,  
but her military leaders had no in-  
tention of doing so. They had been  
trained in the ideas voiced by Gen. von  
Hartmann 40 years ago: "Terrorism  
is seen to be a relatively gentle pro-  
cedure, useful to keep the masses of  
the people in a state of obedience." This  
had been Bismarck's policy, too.  
According to Moritz Busch, Bismarck's  
biographer, Bismarck, exasperated by  
the French resistance, which was still  
continuing in January, 1871, said:

"If in the territory which we occupy,  
we cannot supply everything for our  
troops, from time to time we shall send  
a flying column into the localities  
which are recalcitrant. We shall shoot,  
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wide areas of Belgium and France in  
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cur, in which the ripe pears hung un-  
touched upon the garden walls; and I  
saw other wide areas where scarcely  
one stone had been left to stand upon  
another; where the fields were ravaged;  
where the male villagers had been  
shot in squads; where the miser-  
able survivors had been left to den in  
holes, like wild beasts."

Even Soldiers Horrified.  
Some German soldiers, we are glad  
to see, showed their horror at the foul  
deeds committed in Belgium.

"The inhabitants have fled in the vil-  
lage. It was horrible. There was clot-  
ted blood on all the beads, and what  
faces one saw, terrible to behold! The  
dead, 60 in all, were at once buried.  
Among them were many old women,  
some old men, and a half-delivered  
woman, awful to see; three children  
had clasped each other, and died thus.  
The altar and the vaults of the church  
are shattered. They had a telephone  
there to communicate with the enemy.  
This morning, September 2, all the sur-  
vivors were expelled, and I saw four  
little boys carrying a cradle, with a  
baby five or six months old in it, on  
two sticks. All this was terrible to  
see. Shot after shot! Thunderbolt  
after thunderbolt! Everything is given  
over to pillage; fowls and the rest all  
killed. I saw a mother, too, with her  
two children; one had a great wound  
on the head and had lost an eye." (From  
the diary of Lance Corporal  
Paul Spielman of the Ersatz, first bri-  
gade of Infantry of the Guard.)

" . . . In the night the inhabitants  
of Liege became mutinous. Forty per-  
sons were shot and 15 houses demoli-  
shed, 10 soldiers shot. The sights here  
make you cry.  
"On the 23rd of August everything  
quiet. The inhabitants have so far  
given in. Seventy students were shot,  
200 kept prisoners. Inhabitants re-  
turning to Liege.

"August 24. At noon with 36 men on  
sentry duty. Sentry duty is a 1, no post  
allocated to me. Our occupation, apart  
from bathing, is eating and drinking.  
We live like God in Belgium." (From  
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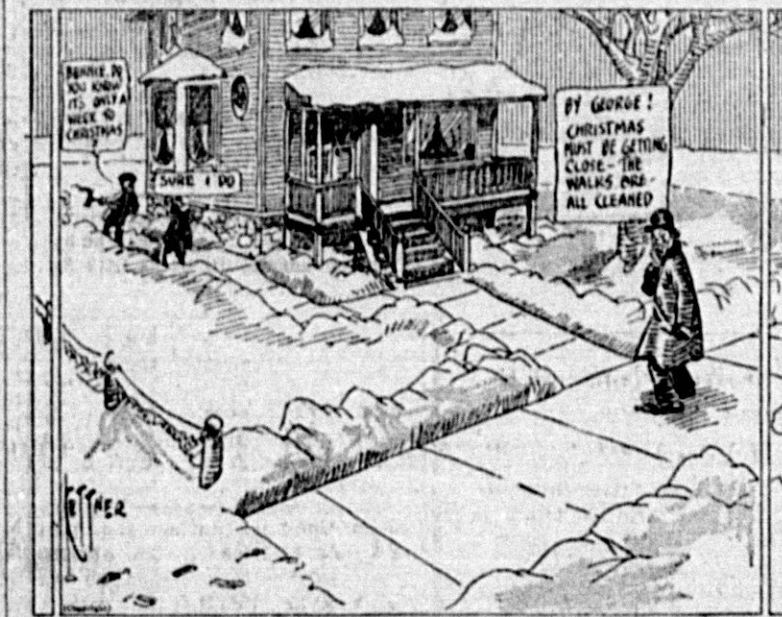
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## Gentle Reminders



## NO PEACE TALK AT ALLY CONFERENCE

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### SAYS TEAM WORK IS ASSURED

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New York.—Peace was never men-  
tioned at the allied conference in Pa-  
ris, or at the supreme war council  
held recently at Versailles, Col-  
onel E. M. House, head of the Ameri-  
can mission which recently visited  
England and France, said Saturday  
on his arrival from Europe.

Mr. House said that the allied con-  
ference "brought things to a focus."

The allied naval conference, forma-  
tion of which has just been announced  
in Washington, is the first result of  
the meetings of American delegates  
and representatives of the other allies.  
Mr. House said.

"Before the conference," Mr. House  
asserted, "co-ordination was not going  
on well.  
"But we are working now well to-  
gether. We got together principally  
on the economic situation, embargo,  
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a complete success."

Mr. House said that the governments  
must ratify all action taken. He said  
an announcement of the work accom-  
plished by the American mission might  
be expected from Washington soon.

The supreme war council, he said,  
is a permanent body and the United  
States has a permanent place in it.  
If it so desires, the matter of Mr.  
House making another trip to Europe  
soon is entirely at the disposition of  
President Wilson.

"The morale among the people in  
both Great Britain and France is  
splendid," Mr. House said. "Even  
French pacifists admit that the morale  
was never better.  
"American interests in Europe are  
almost paramount."

### "LIGHTLESS NIGHTS" ORDERED

Cities to Dim "White Ways" Thurs-  
days and Sundays.

Washington.—Two "lightless nights"  
a week have now been ordered by the  
fuel administration.

Sunday and Thursday of every week  
are to see the city "white ways" and  
advertising signs darkened, only nec-  
essary street lights used and only  
such lights as the law requires in of-  
fices and stores not open for busi-  
ness.

The new order replaces one which  
became effective November 9 for the  
dimming of electric displays, which  
the administration says has been a  
failure.

### SERVICE FLAG HAS 11,490 STARS

U. S. Steel Corporation Boasts Record  
for Enlistments.

New York.—A service flag with  
stars representing 11,490 employees  
who have enlisted or are otherwise  
engaged in the nation's war prepara-  
tions has been unfurled in front of  
the offices of the United States Steel  
corporation in Lower Broadway.

The flag measures 34 by 54 feet  
and represents the largest number of  
men engaged in war service of any of  
the companies displaying service flags  
here and is said to establish a na-  
tional record.

The Bell Telephone company flag  
here displays 6,895 stars.

Boy Burglar Paroled, Must Pay Debt.

Hastings.—Judge Smith in circuit  
court sentenced Arvne Wood, a  
youthful burglar, to imprisonment for  
six months to 15 years. He then sus-  
pended sentence on him for two years.  
Wood broke into the Hastings Manu-  
facturing company's plant where he  
stole stamps and blank checks which  
he so crudely forged in Grand Rapids  
that officers arrested him, obtained a  
confession and turned him over to  
Hastings officers. Wood was ordered  
to reimburse the company.

## TEUTONS AND REDS SIGN 28 DAY TRUCE

HOSTILITIES SUSPENDED ON  
ENTIRE FRONT FROM BLACK  
SEA TO BALTIC.

### IN FORCE UNTIL JANUARY 14

Agreement Stipulates Armistice is to  
Continue Then Unless Seven  
Days Notice is Given.

Berlin, via London.—The German  
war office announced Sunday:  
"An armistice agreement was signed  
at Brest Litovsk yesterday by plen-  
ipotentiary representatives of the Rus-  
sian upper army administration on the  
one hand and those of the upper army  
administration of Germany, Austria,  
Hungary, Bulgaria and Turkey on the  
other hand.



# Merry Christmas

## A Christmas Riddance

BY WILLIS BROOKS

OUR village paper had issued a very creditable Christmas edition. I was looking over the news section by the front window. My wife sat near, absorbed in the story part. "What's that?" she asked, listening. She was always on the lookout for more eggs. What she heard certainly did sound like a hen announcing the arrival of one-twelfth of a dozen. "That," I answered, "is Ezra Barnstable in a state of amusement." We looked through the window, and sure enough, here he came down the street, an expansive smile illuminating his moonlike face. "What on earth can the man be laughing so about all alone?" my wife wanted to know. She was that way—never content to let a man be happy unless she knew the reason why. "I went to the door and sang out to Ezra. 'Isn't it kind of stingy to enjoy it all by yourself?'"

When he had unwound the wool tip-pet from his neck and taken the rocking chair which the missus had set before the fireplace for him he leaned back and cut gashes in the atmosphere with another flourish of his sharp exclamation. "I've heard of Santa Claus playin' tricks before now," said he, "but I don't guess he ain't never played none no funnier than this."

"It was like this: Three, four days ago my boy Chet came home with a rabbit—one of them big white critters with the pink eyes—that he'd swapped off one of his mittens to the one armed Mayhew boy fer. When he came in, tuggin' the thing in his arms, his ma ast him whose it was, an' he said it was his'n an' its name was Jimmy an' Eddie Mayhew give it to him."

"Them Mayhew boys ain't givin' nothin' away fer nothin'," says she. "What'd you give him fer it?" "Chet knowed he was cornered, so he owned up that he'd give Eddie one of his wool mittens. 'I don't never wear but one much anyhow,' says he, 'an', besides, Eddie's a poor, one armed boy, an' his hand was cold, an' it was comin' Christmas.'"

"I seen the look in his ma's eye, an' I felt sorry fer Chet, so I says, 'Chet,' says I, 'severe-like, 'you come to the barn along of me, like I was goin' to lick him.'"

"That satisfied his ma. So Chet an' me went to the barn an' made a box to keep the rabbit in. I knowed the thing'd freeze to death if he kep' it anywhere but in the house, an' I knowed his ma wouldn't listen to his doin' that, so I puts him up to gittin' rid of it by invitin' his Cousin Artie over fer Christmas an' givin' it to him fer a Christmas present."

"Artie, you know," Ezra explained, "is my wife's brother's boy. You remember my wife's brother, Dan Baker, over in Center township, the one that died an' left a widder with eight children?"

"Waal, when Chet told his ma what he was goin' to do she said she could keep the rabbit in the attic till Christmas an' not a minute longer. So he writ to Artie, an' this mornin' bright an' early here comes the hull family—Miss Baker an' the hull eight children."

"Chet, he hadn't even got up yet, but I roused him out, an' when he come down he told Artie about the Jimmy rabbit he was goin' to give him. Then Miss Baker chips in an' says she never 'lows one of her children to accept presents unless all the others gits the same thing. 'It makes the others jealous,' says she, 'an' creates dissensions.'"

"I seen trouble comin' to Chet in flocks an' herds an' I says to myself they's jest one way to settle this thing. You know, if you give a rabbit a little cut on the back of his neck he never knows what hit him. So I sneaks up to the attic, but ole Santa Claus had got there ahead of me."

Ezra rocked back and let out a few more staccato notes of merriment. "What had happened?" my wife asked.

"Wait 'till I tell you," said Ezra. "I called Chet to come up quick, an' he come a-runnin'. 'Look here,' says I to him, 'you give the eight little ones to the children an' the old one to Miss Baker. If you do it alee she can't refuse 'em, specially when the little rabbits needs the services of Jimmy fer awhile yit.' So Chet he lugged the hull box o' rabbits downstairs an' made sech a eloquent presentin' speech that the widder couldn't do nothin' but thank him an' take the hull mess home with her."

## Christmas Gifts

THE joy that's born of Christmas gifts is not within themselves Or you or I could pick our joys from any merchant's shelves And you could buy more costly things than ever I could give, And though no friend should come your way contented you could live.

Yet some poor trinket rich becomes and treasure to the end Because it is the symbol of a true and loyal friend.

The thing is nothing as it lies upon a merchant's shelf, And scarce a thought you'd give to it for what it is itself. There may be thousands like it round about you everywhere, But let a friend bring it to you and straightway it is rare. For something of that friend into his simple gift is wrought And it becomes a precious thing—a token of a thought.

We are a sentimental clan, we fight and strive for gold. Yet treasures which we closest guard are never bought or sold. The things we value most are not the gems our money buys. But all those sweet and lovely things that memory bids us prize.

The faded slippers of a babe not in themselves are dear, But in the thoughts they bring to us of one no longer here.

And so it is with Christmas gifts, 'tis friends who make them rare. The trifle that with love is rich has worth beyond compare. The moment that it passes from some friendly hand to you It has assumed a value that before it never knew.

And what was common in itself is now beyond all price Because it represents to you some good friend's sacrifice.

## The Christmas Rose.

IT was in Ireland I heard the beautiful legend of the Christmas rose, says a writer in the Philadelphia Ledger. When the great night came and the dark skies were suddenly illuminated with the lights of heaven the shepherds, gathered together their offering, went with haste to find him who had come to be the Light of the world. Great rough men, full of simple faith, they were, and each carried a little lamb in his arms to lay at the feet of the Good Shepherd. But among them was one wee lad who had no gift.

All his life long he had heard of the Messiah who was to come. The earth was full of rumors that the time was near at hand, and lying out on the hillside under the deep blue sky he had dreamed dreams of that day, picturing himself close to him in many roles. And now that the moment was come he raced along, his tiny legs finding it hard work to keep up with the swift, strong stride of the men.

So full of excitement was he that no thought of self entered into his mind. But as he came to the cave, saw the bright star shining above and heard the songs of the angels he noticed his empty hands.

How could he go into the presence of the newborn King when he had nothing to lay at his feet, he who would so willingly lay down his very life for him? He crept close to the opening, and, kneeling down in the cold white snow, he wept as though his little heart would break.

And, lo, the warm tears melted away the hard snow, and from beneath there sprang up the first Christmas rose, the fruit of a little boy's love for the Christ Child!

The Good Old Customs. By all means, so long as they will endure, let us cling to the old customs. Up with the holly, the box and the bay, set the plum pudding ablaze, light the Christmas tree, scatter greetings broadcast through the land, ring out wild bells to the wide sky and give encouragement to the carol singers. Christmas comes but once a year, and when it comes it makes us all kin and more or less kind. It is a truly happy festival, the time when we best understand what home means, the children's feast, when the old grow young again. A happy Christmas, then, to all.

Christmas Carols at Nantucket. The custom of singing Christmas carols in the streets still obtains at Nantucket. Every Christmas eve the school children march through the old cobbled streets of the town and sing their songs.

All the ancient houses are illuminated with candles in the windows, and the children always stop and serenade their favorites. It is very pretty to hear them, and they never forget to sing for what they call the "shut ins"—the folks who are ill and unable to get out and join the festivities.

## What Have You Got For Me, SANTA CLAUS?



### Christmas Greens.

A quaint old writer thus spiritualizes the practice of Christmas decorations. "So our churches and houses, decked with bays and rosemary, holly and ivy and other plants which are always green, winter and summer, signify and put us in mind of his Deity—that the child that now is born was God and man, who should spring up like a tender plant, should always be green and flourishing and should live forevermore."

### Christmas Means Love.

We cannot picture it without seeing the spangled Christmas tree girt with the faces of gleeful youngsters, glad parents and happy bodies returned home from town or far metropolises. It sounds like bells and crackling logs and shouts of children. And even our old, round shouldered, sorrow ridden planet, with his eye knocked out on his cheek, pauses to smile from sea to sea, and love is everywhere rejuvenated.—James Whitcomb Riley.



Logical. "Boy!" "Mum!" "Stop that noise with your Christmas drum! Do you want to deafen us?" "Yes'm; then you won't mind the noise."—Life.

Risky. "I'd like to give my wife fifty dollars for Christmas." "Well, why not?" "I ain't certain that I could coax it away from her again."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

A Sign of Age. "Just when does a woman grow old?" "When she ceases to regard the hanging of the mistletoe as an event."—Buffalo Express.

All He Remembered. The Preacher—And did you remember the poor old Christmas? Little Albert—No. I didn't remember nothin' much, except about pa catchin' me with my hand in the box where ma had the raisins hid.

Up-to-Date Xmas Maxims. Never look a Christmas gift in the price tag. There is nothing so rare as a present you wanted.

A ton of coal is rather to be chosen than gaudy jewels. Beware of mistletoe; it grows on the border of matrimonial jungles.

Better broken toy drums than broken carolers. Christmas spirit seldom intoxicates, but it generally bankrupts. Christmas bells manage to ring in quite a few gifts.

Just now the most popular book seems to be the pocketbook. Never put a gift cigar in the mouth.

Christmas gifts are somewhat like babies—you can't always get what you want, but wisely be contented with what came.—New York American.

## The Spirit Of Giving

AT Christmastide, O be thou tender, true; Thy friends make glad and all thy foes forgive; With its sweet light begin to live anew, Ungrudgingly give, and giving, much receive.

Make thy glad life grow large, thy soul expand; Let there be one full day within the year When love shall open wide thy waiting hand To lessen want and dry some bitter tear.

Souls are there many, heavy laden, sore, And eyes that weep and hearts that often bleed. And aqual knocking, tattered, at thy door, And cold and hunger crying in their need.

Give wisely, freely, of thy bounty give, And, most of all, do not forget, give love; Since giving is the truest way to live, And richest treasure laying up above.

Make glad thy home, let sunshine reign within; Bless every hearthstone with thy largest fair; Share with pale want thine overflowing bin, By kindness save some brother from despair.

Be saviors, O my brothers, every one! Let the true Christ in your own soul be born; Thus thou canst be God's well beloved son And make each dawn a joyous Christmas morn! —Minneapolis Journal.

## Test Your Gifts.

CHRISTMAS gifts should be free from frippery, mere temporary worth, the solely worldly or material value. This is the first test—genuineness.

The second, a Christmas gift should be in keeping with one's purse—unostentation.

A Christmas gift should display good taste—carefulness.

A Christmas gift should confer a real benefit—thoughtfulness.

A Christmas gift should produce unfeigned pleasure—interest.

A Christmas gift should be something you would wish associated with thoughts of yourself—friendship.

A Christmas gift should, if possible, be something that can be shared with others—kindliness.

A Christmas gift should, as long as it lasts, give as much delight as on Christmas morning—quality.

A Christmas gift should be something you yourself would be glad to possess—sincerity.

A Christmas gift should be something you have selected, not something plucked up by chance—heartiness.

A Christmas gift should be something you take pleasure in thinking of afterward as having been given by you to your friend—satisfaction.—Christian Herald.

All the Year Round. Christmas comes all the year. Christmas is giving.

Christmas is losing one's life and finding it again in the heart of another. Wherever we find good will, humanity, fellow feeling, there we find a heart celebrating Christmas. The most delicate pleasures of Christmas spring from the gifts we make to others, from the happiness we can impart to others, from the abandonment of ourselves to another's joy.

The more utterly we lose ourselves in the lives of others the more we are keeping Christmas. The losing of our own life, to find it in another, is forever the Christmas token. It was of this the good shepherds worshipped.

And this is the best way of spending Christmas.

Origin of the Carol. Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men.—Luke 2:14.

Such was the first carol, sung by the holy angels amid the thrilling scene so vividly described by the evangelist. This song is happily used in the communion service as the opening of "Gloria in Excelsis Deo." The word carol seems to be derived from the Italian verb carolare—to sing—implying a joy song, an outburst of exuberance. In the time of Chaucer, who died in 1400, this word usually meant simultaneous dancing and singing. Gradually its secular origin was beclouded, and nowadays a carol generally means a Christmas song of thanksgiving, though there were formerly not only Easter carols, but also winter and snow songs.—Living Church.

## A Really Truly Christmas Tree

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(Copyright, 1917, Western Newspaper Union.) OF course you want to know at once how a Christmas tree can be any more real than the one you had last year, so I shall explain that the tree Ralph and Rhoda had by accident one winter was rooted in the ground in the Lake Superior woods.

First you must be told that the town children up there had the good times in both summer and winter, but the miners' boys and girls had the hard times all the year around, and that's the reason why mother said to Ralph and Rhoda the day before Christmas: "I don't see how you two are going to have a happy holiday when the children up at the mines do not expect to have any tree at all. How would you like to go up the mountain and take them a lot of presents and things? You can get back before dark. I will telephone the mine captain that you are coming."

"Just the very thing," said the children. And away they went soon after with a sled loaded with everything you can think of for a jolly Christmas, just lots of gifts and royal trimmings for a tree.

They were making good time along the mountain side when Rhoda stumbled over a root.

When she tried to stand up again her ankle would not work.

Of course Rhoda would not hear of leaving the miners' children's "Christmas" in the snow and coasting back home. So Ralph went back to the Halfway store for some help, but the place was locked and barred. Before they decided on what to do next a flock of the mine children came racing down the road. It seemed as though the telephone message had emptied the settlement of youngsters.

"We've come to help take the 'Christmas' up the mountain. It's a hard pull farther along," they explained.

When they found that Rhoda was hurt they wanted to take her home, but she wouldn't listen to a word of it.

"I'm going right up to see that they properly trimmed and hung with these things," announced that young lady and, being of the sturdy and determined kind, tried to forget the pain.

So the swiftest runners of the mine boys started back to get a sled to carry Rhoda to the summit.

Before the ambulance corps could return, down came one of those howling blizzards so dreaded in the rough northern country, and there was nothing for it but to retreat and take refuge in the Halfway store. This old log house proved a hard nut to crack, but Ralph finally managed to get in through a rear window and soon had a roaring fire going in the big stove. The plucky lads got back from the mountain, and everybody thanked his lucky stars to be safe and warm.

Outside the storm roared and the trees bent low in the gale. All the evening Rhoda stood the ache bravely and said it was nothing, but Mary Martha Murphy knew better. When all was quiet she brought a pail of water so hot that Rhoda squealed when her nurse put the swollen ankle into it, and these two girls, one who had a lovely home and rich furs and many other fine things and the little poor girl with a warm Irish heart, sat up till "all hours."

During the night the storm turned to rain and then it became cold, so very cold that the forest was covered with an icy coat. In the morning the blizzard drifts were many feet deep.

So the only thing to be done was to wait till a rescue party came out for them with shovels and horses and snowplows. And then a great thought occurred to Rhoda.

A giant hemlock tree stood right in front of the store, in a place swept clear by the wind—that is, it had been a hemlock before it became one great, dazzling emerald with pearly icicles hanging all over it.

When night came, clear and perfectly still and lark black, the rescue party found a celebration going on the like of which had never been known. The children had taken hundreds of miners' candles from the store and had wired them all over the hemlock. All the presents and the gift ropes and the other ornaments had been hung about the branches, and the candles lighted.

Rhoda, half smothered in furs and tucked up on a high seat, was mistress of ceremonies, while a ring of singing, dancing children circled around the tree, and in the background, all about the dense forest, shot back millions of sparks of light.

## The KITCHEN CABINET

She who always wants her own way is soon left to travel alone.

Many a person is satisfied to rest upon the reputation of his ancestors.

MORE WAYS WITH CHICKEN.

We cannot afford to despise an old fowl, for there are many and appetizing ways to treat them. Time is always necessary to bring about good results.

Regout of Chicken.—Clean and disjoint a large fowl. Take the dark meat, freed from skin and bone, and put it through the meat chopper. Season well with salt and pepper, a few drops of onion juice, or a clove of garlic finely minced; then add a well-beaten egg. Make into small balls and set aside. Cover the bones and white meat with three cups of boiling water and simmer gently until the meat is tender. Set aside, and when cooled cut the meat in dice. Blend together two heaping tablespoonfuls of sweet fat and the same amount of flour; when well browned add very slowly two cups of chicken stock and stir until it thickens, then add salt and pepper, and a quarter of a teaspoonful of curry powder. Drop in the meat balls and cook for half an hour; then add the diced meat; cook 15 minutes longer. Dish and serve with rice.

Chicken Pie.—A fine pie can be made using an old bird. First cook it as for a stew, adding a small slice of onion or a clove of garlic for flavor. Lay the chicken in the dish, season well and cover with the broth, not too much; then put biscuit closely together over the top, using any good baking powder biscuit recipe. There will be plenty of room for the gas to escape between the biscuits. Just before serving add a cupful of good thick sweet cream, making this a queen of chicken pies.

Old fowls may be stewed, the bones removed and then cooked to remove all the gelatin; pour this broth, with the addition of a little gelatin, over the chicken and mold. When cold it may be cut in neat slices, served as a salad with salad dressing or as cold sliced meat. Hard-cooked eggs may be added to the mold if desired, making a most attractive dish when cut.

Chicken soup may also be made from old fowl, and as there are few flavors in soups more appetizing than chicken it is a general favorite.

One may always have a pint of broth left from almost any fowl, as it is improved by parboiling a short while even before roasting.

Not in the clamor of the street, Not in the shouts and plaudits of the throng, But in ourselves are triumph and defeat.

ARE YOUR MENUS IN A RUT?

The greatest help in planning a week's menus is the chance for variety, as it is easy then to see the lack of variety.

An occasional meal may be left vacant which may be filled with leftovers from a previous day.

The character of the menus depends upon the people who will eat it. Active children need hearty wholesome food, as do hungry men.

Whenever a heavy main dish is served a light dessert should follow, and when a light dinner, a hearty dessert.

Heavy salads fit into light luncheons and may often form the main dish, while a fruit salad makes a most acceptable dessert.

Fat meats need acid fruits and tart flavors to cut them.

Bean Soup.—Cook a pint of white beans in two quarts of water until tender, add a stalk of celery, minced, a sprig of parsley and rub through a sieve, season with bacon fat, salt, pepper, and half a cupful of sweet cream, serve hot.

Lima Bean Soup.—Pick over, wash and soak over night sufficient beans, then cook slowly until soft enough to rub through a sieve. Return the strained beans to the fire, adding a spoonful each of flour and butter rubbed together, thin with hot milk, season with salt and pepper and add a little whipped cream. Any vegetable for flavor, like onion, parsley, or celery, may be cooked with the beans if desired for flavor.

Bishop Williams Corn Bread.—Sift together one cupful each of cornmeal and flour, three tablespoonfuls of sugar, a half teaspoonful of salt, a teaspoonful of cream of tartar and a half teaspoonful of soda. Add one cupful of sour cream, two eggs and beat vigorously, then bake in a hot oven 20 minutes. If sour cream is not available milk may be used with the addition of two tablespoonfuls of shortening.

Sausage and Banana.—Cook link sausages until well done and brown, take up and in fat cook bananas cut in halves crosswise, dredge with flour, and fry a golden brown, serve the sausages and bananas together.

Always have a few ramekin dishes ready to take bits of left overs. With gravy to moisten, covered with buttered crumbs and baked they make nice luncheon dishes, and no two being alike, if so happened, would not be a disadvantage.

Nellie Maxwell