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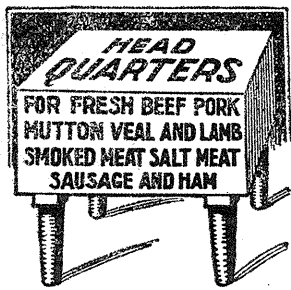
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Harry Young

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**LOCAL
NEWS**



Mr. and Mrs. Remington of Grand Rapids visited Sunday at the home of B. J. Dailey.

Mrs. George Purvis, of Davison spent several days last week at the home of her brother, Charles Robinson.

Miss Mary Burt left town a week ago Saturday for Jackson, Michigan, where she is attending a business college.

Corporal Floyd Moore from the training camp at M. A. C. is spending a few days at his home north and east of town.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Mellon of Pontiac are visiting at the home of Mrs. Mellon's sister, Mrs. John McKichan, for a short time.

Miss Dora Krapf of Detroit came on Monday in response to a telegram to care for her sister, Mrs. Walter Milligan, who is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Schmidt and daughter, Evelyn, who have been in Buffalo several months, returned to their home here Monday noon.

While visiting at Uby last week, Miss Jewel Sparling received the sad news of the death of her father at his home in Ann Arbor.—Marlette Leader.

Mrs. (Dr.) Clark, who has been spending a few weeks here among relatives, returned to her home Saturday. Her son, Carroll, accompanied her.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Schiele of Elkton, parents of D. F. Schiele, with their granddaughter, Mrs. Melvin Herford, and family visited in town Sunday.

A big radish 26 inches long and 26 inches in circumference was grown by Mrs. Clark Bixby in her garden on Houghton St. It is now on display at the Chronicle office.

Miss Etta Schenck, who has been employed in the Deford Bank, has returned home on account of the illness of her mother, Mrs. Warren Schenck. Mrs. Schenck is improving.

R. S. Proctor returned Saturday from Detroit where he had spent most of last week at the bedside of his brother, Simon, who is very low and is expected to live but a short time.

Wm. Ford, an employee of the Farm Produce company, whose home is in Caro, on his return there Saturday night, found his wife ill with the "flu" so has been unable to be at his business this week.

Miss Elizabeth Doerr accompanied by Mrs. Herman Doerr and baby, Helen, of Detroit came Wednesday evening to visit at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Doerr and Mr. and Mrs. George C. Hooper.

Wm. C. Peters of Pt. Huron representing the Masonic Mutual Accident Co. wrote policies for several members of Tyler Lodge the first of the week. John Muntz has been appointed the local agent of the company.

Travis Schenck went early last week to the home of his son, Verne, in Detroit where Mrs. Verne Schenck was very ill with influenza. Wednesday Mrs. Travis Schenck followed her husband in time to be at the death-bed of their daughter-in-law, who died Wednesday night. The body was brought here Monday and laid to rest in Elkland cemetery.

Christmas Plums

Christmas—co-operation, cheer!

It is a catching affair—this spirit of Christmas—and the nearer it approaches the more contagious it becomes.

Every time that Christmas comes around again we wonder why we haven't cultivated the Christmas spirit all the year.

Here's hoping that all our soldier boys, on land and sea, will have a few Christmas plums on the day of good will—even though this year they may be mostly in the pudding.

Probably the girls are saying the same thing this year that they have said every year in the past—"Well, I'm going to start making presents right away for next Christmas."

We get most of the enjoyment of Christmas out of the dreams that come before and after. Oh, to dream of it before it comes, to enjoy it while it is here, and to appreciate it when it has gone!

At least we are reasonably sure of one thing—which is that no soldier will have to go without a good Christmas dinner. Well, this is as it should be, since—to paraphrase our old friend, Mr. Dryden—surely the brave deserve the fare.

Not namin' any names, we are willing to admit that there are folks in this world whose Christmas dinner doesn't interest us in the least—except that we hope they'll have plenty of food for reflection, and that after the meal is over they'll get their just desserts.

WRAPPING ADDS TO THE GIFT

Home Art Specialist Suggests Use of White Ribbon and Tissue Paper With Bits of Foliage.

The wrapping of a Christmas gift is an expression of the giver as much as the gift itself, asserts Miss Araminta Holman, instructor in home art in the Kansas State Agricultural college.

"A pretty gift will lose much of its charm if it is wrapped carelessly," said Miss Holman. "As much care should be taken in the wrapping as in the selection of the gift."

The wrappings should be dainty and inconspicuous, and in harmony with the gift and the sentiment that the giver wishes to accompany the gift. White tissue paper tied with white ribbon with a bit of foliage for color, makes a prettier and neater wrapping than colored paper and colored ribbon. If the gift is to be sent through the mail, the outside wrappings must necessarily be of strong paper, but if tied neatly and securely with tinsel Christmas cord, the package will make an attractive appearance, and at the same time will protect the gift.

Personal touches, such as original sketches on the gift card or a spray of foliage from the region of the giver's home convey a deep sentiment and thoughtfulness on the part of the giver, according to Miss Holman. While holly and mistletoe are the emblematic Christmas foliage, a spray of hemlock, bittersweet, pepper bough, or any pretty native foliage may be used.

ROAST GOOSE FOR CHRISTMAS

How to Prepare Fowl Which for Hundreds of Years Has Been Conventional Holiday Dinner Dish.

For hundreds of years goose has been an important conventional Christmas dinner dish. Select a young, tender goose, for its palatability greatly depends on this, one weighing about eight or ten pounds, says an experienced housekeeper.

For the dressing take four cupfuls of hot mashed potatoes, two and one-half tablespoonfuls of finely chopped onions, one cupful of English walnut meats chopped moderately fine; one and one-half teaspoonfuls of salt, one-half cupful of cream, two tablespoonfuls of butter and the yolks of four eggs and a teaspoonful of sage.

Stuff the body with the dressing and sew up the openings. Bring the legs and wings close to the body and tie with a white string, which must be removed just before serving.

Put the goose in the dripping pan with two cupfuls of boiling water and roast for nearly two hours, according to size of fowl, basting often and freely. Remove the goose to a hot platter, pour off the oil in the pan and make a gravy with flour that has been browned. Always serve apple sauce with roast goose.

Select juicy, tart apples and pare, slice and stew with just enough water to keep from burning. When done, rub them through a sieve and add sugar to taste.

The poor will many a care forget,
The debtor think not of his debt,
But, as they both enjoy their cheer,
Wish it were Christmas all the year.
—Thomas Miller.

FIRS FOR CHRISTMAS TREES

Thousands of Balsams Supplied by New England to Cities of East and Midwest.

Most of the tinsel-covered trees that are set up each Christmas season in the homes of Boston, New York and Philadelphia, it has been found, are balsam firs, and many of the selected specimens are even shipped comparatively long distances from their places of growth to Chicago and the cities of the middle West.

While the balsam fir is popular as a Christmas tree on account of its symmetrical and practically perfect conical shape, it is in growing demand for a variety of uses. Its white, straight-grained wood has come to be used more and more in the manufacture of toys that hang from the branches of its younger fellows and from the branches of the other evergreens that are widely used in many parts of the country.

The wood of the balsam fir is used to a large extent, also, in the manufacture of excelsior, of which thousands of tons are used each holiday season for the packing of gifts that are sent by express and mail. The balsam fir is the source, too, of the wood from which are made many of the food containers, such as fruit baskets and butter boxes, in which materials for the Christmas dinner are brought to the market, the tastelessness of the wood making it unsurpassed for such uses. Finally, the balsam fir is being increasingly used for the manufacture of paper, and this, wrapped around thousands of holiday packages, adds still another chapter to the list of the tree's almost indispensable usefulness as a factor in Christmas observances.

WAITING FOR THE TIME

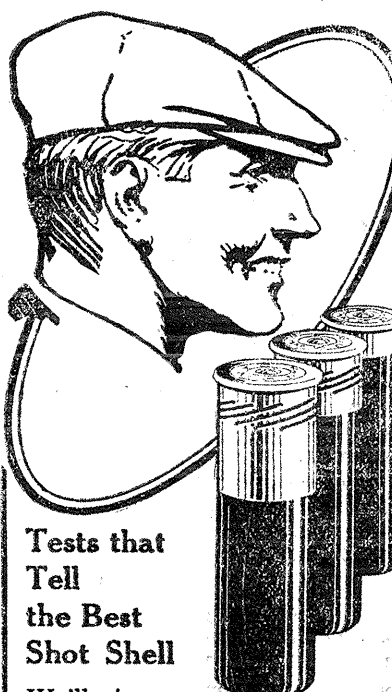


We tried to kiss her
many times,
But never succeeded, though
But I'll make up on Xmas
Eve
Beneath the Mistletoe.

Advertise it with a Chronicle liner.



It's nearing Christmas,
don't you see,
So I suppose it's up to me
To dig down deep like
all papas,
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Cass City Bank

Suggestions for the Fall Work

Tear up your worn-out wood floors and replace with concrete. Cleaning will be quicker—rats will trouble less.

Ratproof your corn crib and granary with concrete. Rebuild them if necessary. There is no profit on grain fed to rats.

Put up a good shelter for your machinery. Weathering in the open cuts years off the life of your implements.

Lay a concrete hog feeding floor which will pay for itself in a season by saving corn that now gets buried in a muddy lot.

Put your hog house in shape for winter or build a modern concrete house to cut down the loss of young pigs.

Government Wants Essential Building to Go On

Uncle Sam wants you to build structures that will help to get more food to market or let you get along with less labor. If you can market more by making repairs or extensions to present structures costing less than \$2,500 you can go ahead freely. If you can market more by building a new structure costing less than \$1,000 you can start work today. No permit is needed, and the cost of building is low compared to the extra profits you can make.

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NOVESTA.

Mrs. Henry Stone is on the sick list. Elmer Webster has his new barn nearly completed.

ELKLAND-ELMWOOD TOWN LINE.

Urvin Loomis was a Caro caller the first of the week. Mrs. Chas. Seekings visited Mrs. C. Bingham one day last week.

Fifteen Million Tons of Shipping

Building 15,000,000 tons of shipping is the big job laid out for American Shipyards. It will take years to do this.

ELMWOOD.

Ezra Winchester has a new silo all ready to fill. French school closed last week on account of the "flu."

GREENLEAF.

Mrs. Jeff Rathburn is very ill with influenza. Mrs. McLachlin of Sarnia is visiting at John Tanner's.

RESCUE.

Bean threshers have been busy in this vicinity the past few days. William Davison and Ray LaVigne are having a tussle with the "flu."

NOKO.

Walter Wood of Snover visited friends here Sunday. Mrs. C. Shaw of Snover is spending a week here with her son, Claude Shaw.

A TWICE-TOLD TALE.

One of Interest to Our Readers. Good news bears repeating, and when it is confirmed after a long time, even if we hesitated to believe it at first hearing, we feel secure in accepting its truth now.

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BUILDING HOMES IN LARGE GROUPS

Demand for Houses Presents Problem in Great Many Communities.

SAVING IN COST POSSIBLE

Designs Must Not Be So Much Alike as to Be Monotonous Nor So Different as to Destroy Harmony.

Mr. William A. Radford will answer questions and give advice FREE OF COST on all subjects pertaining to the subject of building, for the readers of this paper.

By WILLIAM A. RADFORD.

Homes for workmen have come to be one of the serious problems of the nation's war enterprise.

The same is now true to quite an extent at the big shipyards.

Every one admits that this is not the ideal condition. It contains a serious threat to the working efficiency of the men, as well as to their moral natures.

Many of the smaller cities, in fact, even some small villages, are finding themselves woefully short on houses for the workmen who are being called in by the sudden growth of some local plant or factory.

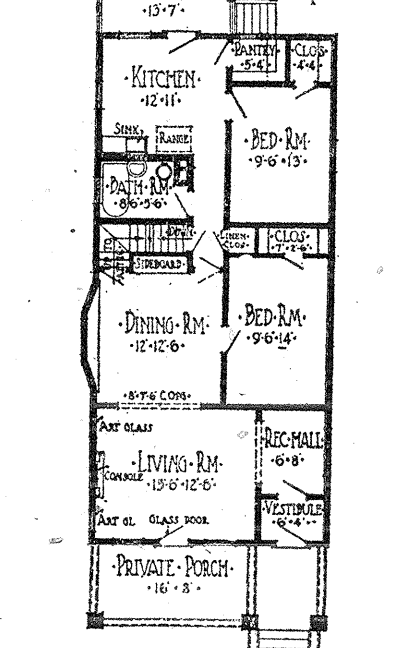
This housing need in the smaller cities and towns should not be handled

the sooner the saving it effects will more than balance the cost.

There are two things to guard against in the design of groups of houses such as are shown here. They must not look so much alike as to become monotonous; on the other hand they should not contrast so sharply that some of the houses look insignificant or that the combination seems to lack harmony.

It's an entirely different problem to build one house for some one following his own and your suggestions than to build a group with the object of selling each house in the group.

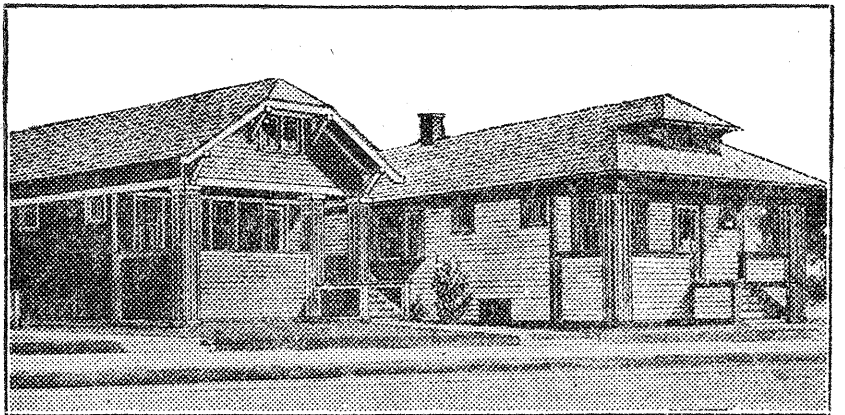
In the first case the owner may have cer-



Floor Plan of House Shown at Right of Group Picture.

tain radical features that he wishes to incorporate in his house, and as long as he is the one to be pleased these ideas are considered.

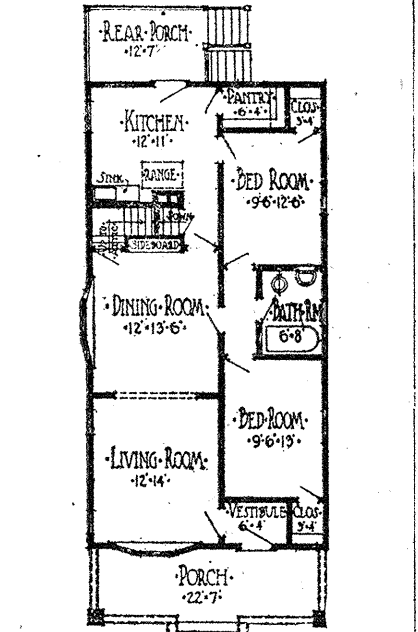
This idea applies equally well to both the exterior treatment and the room arrangement.



in a temporary slipshod way. Bunk houses or boarding houses will not do. The aim should be to supply real homes, but to select them so wisely that they will not be unduly expensive, and then to construct them, if possible, in quantity lots so that the building cost may be low.

Real estate men have long realized the advantages of opening up a subdivision and putting up several homes at one time.

In the city a builder will often have all the work to do in building up part of a subdivision and may have several different groups of houses to build which face on different streets.

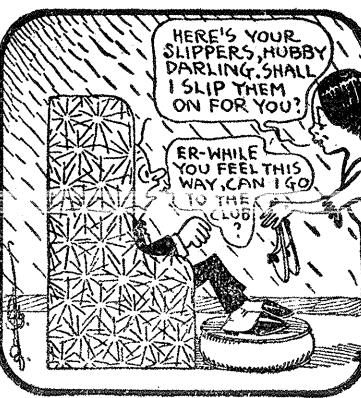


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or builder makes on this sort of work will depend entirely on the organization that he can develop and the use of all the labor-saving devices that are available.

Such work as this makes it possible for a builder to buy apparatus that he has wanted but has felt that he couldn't afford; because it will pay for itself on the work.

JUST BEFORE CHRISTMAS



Ma's awful nice to papa now But wait till Christmas's past. Pa mums now beneath his breath- It's sure too good to last!

MOST RADIANT OF ALL DAYS

There Are None Whose Light Has Ever Shone So Far as the Light of Christmas.

Of all the radiant days of the year there are none whose light has ever shone so far as the light of Christmas.

For a thousand years before the Christian era the Hebrews were looking forward to the light of Christmas.

Other days we have that are dear to the human heart, but Christmas is a little dearer than all other days to the heart of grown-up men and women, and infinitely dearer to the hearts of the children.

Christmas is the day of days to all humanity, but it belongs essentially to the children. You remember that Christ took a little child and set him in the midst of his disciples, saying: "Of such is the kingdom of Heaven."

Rise, happy morn! Rise, holy morn! Draw forth the cheerful day from night. O Father, touch the east and light The light that shone when hope was born! —Tennyson.

Maybe—And Maybe Not

The maid was very fair to see, But staid, and not inclined to folly. She stood behind the Christmas tree And gravely hung a wreath of holly. Himself passed there, by chance, and saw Her all alone, and straightway lingered; And she, who had been trumpery-pshaw! Became at once most butter-fingered!

Letting the Neighbors See It. "Mr. Githery gave Mrs. Githery a pearl necklace for a Christmas present," remarked Mr. Twobble.

Merely a Pose. "Those pretty girls who stand beneath the mistletoe pretend they don't know where they are."

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STEADIER HOG MARKETS PLANNED

Hog Producers and Packers Confer With Representatives of the Food Administration and Agricultural Department and Adopt New Plan of Regulation.

In accordance with the policy of the Food Administration since its foundation to consult representative men in the agricultural industry on occasions of importance to special branches of the industry, on October 24 there was convened in Washington a meeting of the Live Stock Subcommittee of the Agricultural Advisory Board and the special members representing the swine industry to consider the situation in the hog market.

The conference lasted for three days, and during this time met with the executive committee of the fifty packing firms participating in foreign orders for pork products and with the members of the Food Administration directing foreign pork purchases.

The conclusions of the conference were as follows:

The entire marketing situation has so changed since the September joint conference as to necessitate an entire alteration in the plans of price stabilization.

The current price of corn, and there has been a price decline of from 25 cents to 40 cents per bushel. The fact that the accumulations of low priced corn in the Argentine and South Africa would, upon the advent of peace and liberated shipping, become available to the European market has created a great deal of apprehension on the part of corn holders.

This decline has spread fear among swine growers that a similar reduction in the prices of hogs would naturally follow. Moreover, the lower range of corn prices would, if incorporated in a 13-to-1 ratio, obviously result in a continuously falling price for live hogs.

In view of these changed conditions many swine producers anticipated lower prices and as a result rushed their hogs to market in large numbers, and this overshipment has added to and aggravated the decline.

The information of the Department of Agriculture indicates that the supply of hogs has increased about 8 per cent., while the highest unofficial estimate does not exceed 15 per cent. increased production over last year.

On the other hand, the arrival of hogs during the last three weeks in the seven great markets has been 27 per cent. more than last year, during the corresponding period, demonstrating the unusually heavy marketing of the available supply.

The exports of 130,000,000 pounds of pork products for October compared with about 52,000,000 pounds in October a year ago, and the export orders placeable by the Food Administration for November, amount to 170,000,000 pounds as contrasted with the lesser exports of 98,000,000 for November, 1917.

The increased demands of the allies are continuing, and are in themselves proof of the necessity for the large production for which the Food Administration asked. The increase in export demands appears to be amply sufficient to take up the increase in hog production, but unfavorable market conditions existing in October afford no fair index of the aggregate supply and demand.

It must be evident that the enormous shortage in fats in the Central Empires and neutral countries would immediately upon peace result in additional demands for pork products which, on top of the heavy shipments to the Allies, would tend materially to increase the American exports, inasmuch as no considerable reservoir of supplies exists outside of the United States.

It is believed by the conference that this new plan, based as it is upon a positive minimum basis, will bring better results to the producer than average prices for the month. It does not limit top prices and should narrow the margins necessary to country buyers in more variable markets. It is believed that the plan should work out close to \$18 average.

Livestock Subcommittee of the Agricultural Advisory Board, together with special swine members and the representatives of the packers, to improve the present unsatisfactory situation, which has unfortunately resulted because of the injection of uncontrollable factors.

We ask the producer to co-operate with us in a most difficult task. The members of the Conference were:

- Producers—H. C. Stuart, Elk Garden, Va., Chairman Agricultural Advisory Board; W. M. McFadden, Chicago, Ill.; A. Sykes, Ida Grove, Ia.; John M. Eward, Ames, Ia.; J. H. Mercer, Live Stock Commission for Kansas; J. G. Brown, Monon, Ind.; E. C. Brown, President Chicago Livestock Exchange; N. H. Gentry, Sedalia, Mo.; John Grattan, Broomfield, Colo.; Eugene Funk, Bloomington, Ill.; Isaac Lincoln, Aberdeen, S. D.; C. W. Hunt, Logan, Ia.; C. E. Yancey, W. R. Dodson.

Food Administration—Herbert Hoover, F. S. Snyder, Major E. L. Roy, G. H. Powell.

Department of Agriculture—Louis D. Hall, F. R. Marshall.

The packers present and others sharing in foreign orders were represented by the elected packers' committee. Those represented were:

- Packers—Armour & Co., Chicago, Ill.; Cudahy Packing Co., Chicago, Ill.; Morris & Co., Chicago, Ill.; Swift & Co., Chicago, Ill.; Wilson & Co., Chicago, Ill.; John Agar Co., Chicago, Ill.; Armstrong Packing Co., Dallas, Tex.; Boyd Dunham & Co., Chicago, Ill.; Brennan Packing Co., Chicago, Ill.; Cincinnati Abattoir Co., Cincinnati, O.; Cleveland Provisions Co., Cleveland, O.; Cudahy Bros. Co., Cudahy, Wis.; J. Doid Packing Co., Buffalo, N. Y.; Dunlevy Packing Co., Pittsburg, Pa.; J. E. Decker & Sons, Mason City, Ia.; Evansville Packing Co., Evansville, Ind.; East Side Packing Co., East St. Louis, Ill.; Hammond Standish & Co., Detroit, Mich.; G. A. Hornel & Co., Austin, Minn.; Home Packing & Ice Co., Terre Haute, Ind.; Independent Packing Co., Chicago, Ill.; Indianapolis Abattoir Co., Indianapolis, Ind.; International Provision Co., Brooklyn, N. Y.; Interstate Packing Co., Winona, Minn.; Iowa Packing Co., Des Moines, Ia.; Powers Begg Co., Jacksonville, Ill.; Kingan & Co., Indianapolis, Ind.; Krey Packing Co., St. Louis, Mo.; Lake Erie Provision Co., Cleveland, O.; Layton Co., Milwaukee, Wis.; Oscar Mayer & Bro., Sedgwick and Beethoven streets, Chicago, Ill.; J. T. McMillan Co., St. Paul, Minn.; Miller & Hart, Chicago, Ill.; J. Morrell & Co., Ottumwa, Ia.; Nuckolls Packing Co., Pueblo, Colo.; Ogden Packing and Provision Co., Ogden, Utah; Ohio Provision Co., Cleveland, O.; Parker Webb & Co., Detroit, Mich.; Pittsburg Packing and Provision Co., Pittsburg, Pa.; Rath Packing Co., Waterloo, Ia.; Roberts & Oake, Chicago, Ill.; Rohe & Bros., New York City; W. C. Routh & Co., Logansport, Ind.; St. Louis Ind. Packing Co., St. Louis, Mo.; Sinclair & Co., T. M. Cedar Rapids, Ia.; Sullivan & Co., Detroit, Mich.; Theurer-Norton Provision Co., Cleveland, O.; Wilson Provision Co., Peoria, Ill.; Western Packing and Provision Co., Chicago, Ill.; Charles Wolff Packing Co., Topeka, Kan.

The ability of the packers to carry out this arrangement will depend on there being a normal marketing of hogs based upon the proportionate increase over the receipts of last year. The increase in production appears to be a maximum of about 15 per cent. and we can handle such an increase.

If the producers of hogs should, as they have in the past few weeks, prematurely market hogs in such increasing numbers over the above it is entirely beyond the ability of the packers to maintain these minimums, and therefore we must have the co-operation of the producer himself to maintain these results. It is a physical impossibility for the capacity of the packing houses to handle a similar over-flood of hogs and to find a market for the output.

The Bootblack's Christmas

I'm rich! I've got a dollar all my own To spend for Christmas—been a savin' some Since Fourth July, a little at a time, Doin' odd jobs, swearin' off on gum An' now what shall I spend it fer? My stars!

The show case is full an' heavin' up With presents fer to give the folks you like. There's Mamie, now—she'd like a chinny cup.

I know she would—poor little sickly thing, She cried one day because she had to drink Out o' that mug that's cracked like any-thing.

Yes, I'll buy that for her. Now, le'me think— That's twenty cents, an' I'll have eighty left.

An' Billy's crazy for a top to spin; I'll get him one—that's ten cents more—now what.

I wonder, shall I buy for Jim? I guess he'd like a jackknife best of all— I'll get one, an' a good mouth organ too.

Jim—he's my pard—he's got a crippled foot. An' a drunken dad that beats him black and blue.

Now, I've got forty left, and mother wants— I know she does—a thimble—her'n is old.

An' full o' holes and bent all out o' shape. I wish I could get one of solid gold! That wouldn't be half good enough for her—

Not if 'twas edged with diamonds all around; Best mother ever lived—I tell you what. The' ain't many kids so lucky's me. I'm bound!

Now, I've got twenty left—I'll buy some gum. An' candy n' popcorn and some apples too.

An' I'll be Santa Claus and have some fun. A fillin' stockin's Christmas eve—tell you Th' ain't no picnic in this livin' world! That's half so jolly as the one there'll be.

When all the kids come shiverin' round the stove On Crismus mornin'. When they come to see Them stuffed out stockin's hangin' on the wall.

Oh, how I'll holler, "Merry Christmas!" How s'prised they'll be! Yes, Merry Crismus all! —Harriet Francene Crocker in Buffalo News.

If We Give Ourselves. Christmas is not a day or a season, but a condition of heart and mind. If we love our neighbors as ourselves; if in our riches we are poor in spirit and in our poverty we are rich in grace; if our charity vaunteth not itself, but suffereth and is kind; if when our brother asks a loaf we give ourselves instead; if each day dawns in opportunity and sets in achievement however small; then every day is Christ's day and Christmas is always near.

When Christmas Comes

When Christmas comes, I never mind the cold, I like to get up prompt an' go to school, An' do my sums, An' clean the walks 'thout waitin' to be told—

Though I like sleddin' better, as a rule, Or buildin' forts— But nothin' ain't so bad, When Christmas comes.

When Christmas comes, I'd just as lief give half My cookie to the baby, an' take care About the crumbs. It's fun to make the little fellow laugh. An' I don't mind his taggin' ev'rywhere. He can't help bein' little! I'm not mad When Christmas comes.

When Christmas comes, I don't forget to give My shoes a wipe, an' scrub my ears a lot Till my head hums. An' mother says, "That boy's too good to live!" But I'm not 'fraild of dyin', 'cause I'm not No different from always—only glad When Christmas comes! —Abigail Williams Burton.

Christmas Bells. There are some festivals, like birthdays, for example, which affect a single family; others, like national holidays, embrace the nation; and some there are which girdle the entire globe. But Christmas Day lifts at one leap a line of connection between earth and heaven. If there be one day on earth on which above another the gates of heaven are more widely opened, it is the day when joy-bells ring in memory of the birth of the Babe of Bethlehem. This is the day of the Christmas bells!—Bishop Vincent.

No Apology Needed. Never apologize for a Christmas gift. Never say it is cheaper than what you would have liked to give, or not as pretty as you thought it, or anything of the sort. A Christmas gift is supposed to be an expression of good will. If there is kindness enough back of the giving, no apology is necessary.



Day of All Days. Merry Christmas! may it find you Gay with all the best of cheer; Joy come your way to remind you Of the time of all the year.

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Pair mules 10 years old	Box and rack
Span heavy colts 4 years old	Stock rack
Span colts coming 3 years old	Top buggy
Red cow 11 years old, due Feb. 20	Platform buggy
Roan cow 3 years old, due May 1	3-section spring tooth harrow
Holstein cow 4 years old, due in Feb	Spike harrows
Roan cow coming 4 years old, due in March	Thomas disc drill
Red cow coming 4 years, due in Feb	Iron Age potato digger
Red cow 4 years old, due in April	Walking cultivator
These cows are good ones and all giving milk.	Riding cultivator
5 spring calves	Bob sleighs
9 thoroughbred Jersey Red shoats	Mowing machine
12 A good corn in shock thoroughly ripened before frost. Contains good seed corn.	2 hand cultivators
15 A oat straw	International 8 h. p. gasoline engine
14 A bean pods	Saw arbor and saw
30 tons fine mixed hay in barn	McCormick corn husker
100 bus. potatoes	Cream separator
300 bus. oats	Set double work harness
Lumber wagon	Quantity of forks, chains, shovels, etc
	Some chairs and other household furniture
	Sewing machine

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