



Merry Christmas

PEACE ABOVE PROFITS
MUST BE U. S. AIM

F. J. Libby Discussed Location of Potential Troubles in the World.

AMERICANS ARE CREATING AN "AREA OF PEACE"

By Horace V. Pinney.

Peace above profits must be the aim of the American people for the year to come, said Frederick J. Libby, executive secretary of the National Council for the Prevention of War, in his annual report to the citizens of the Cass City community on the general topic of the World Progress in International Relations. Localities of potential troubles were discussed by Mr. Libby and he told how each in its turn was not our quarrel, in his address which was given in the Evangelical church Sunday evening before a large audience. The gathering was a union service of four local churches.

Military officials have already planned our economic and social directions in the event of another war, said Mr. Libby, and he described their plans as Fascism. This governmental dictatorship, he said, is not only for the duration of war, but it is planned by government officials to last until they decide the country is ready to return to the old form. Under the dictatorship as he pictured it, the individual must work, fight or starve.

Munition men and manufacturers are not the only ones whose attraction for the profits of war will be driving us away from peace, he warns, but farmers too will be strongly tempted by the immediate rise in grain prices that would follow a declaration of war.

War in Europe is not inevitable, he declared, but he maintained that it would come if the European countries could not keep the present civil strife restricted to small localities. "Democracies must stand together" is the current popularized slogan he gave as the sentiment that is meant to bring us into the war if it comes. Should we fall for this entanglement, the real standards he pointed to for which we would be fighting are the British Empire which declares that "What we have, we hold," the French munition makers who have driven their country into a mess that she cannot handle, and the communism of Russia.

If we were to be enticed into a war with Japan, he described the benefits of victory as the continued availability of China to the Russian communism and a defeated Japanese nation for which we must provide, while our national debt turns to page 5, please

Annual Rural
Drama Contest

False whiskers and cracked voices are coming back into style, briefly, as community groups in Michigan rehearse for parts and for competition in the annual rural drama contest.

Rural drama of the kind that knits communities closer together and brings back appreciation for the hidden talents of persons whom we know is to be brought into the spotlight again in six districts in Michigan. Contests will be held to determine top winners during Farmers' Week Feb. 1 to 5, at Michigan State College.

In Sanilac county, the Edison-Speaker P. T. A. club will participate in a directional period Jan. 9. C. H. Niskle of the speech department at Michigan State College is assisting the groups in preparation for their district contests.

The six groups selected as the most accomplished in presenting drama will compete in the morning and afternoon of Friday, Feb. 5, at East Lansing during the annual Farmers' Week program at the college. Judges will name the three winners and their community group will be awarded first, second and third place banners for the 1937 drama contest.

BAPTIST MISSIONARY
SOCIETY ELECTED OFFICERS

The annual meeting of the Baptist Missionary society was held on Thursday afternoon, Dec. 17, at the home of Mrs. G. W. Landon when the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Stanley McArthur; first vice president, Mrs. Joseph Clement; second vice president, Mrs. Leo Ware; secretary, Mrs. Harold Reed; assistant secretary, Mrs. Frank Hall; treasurer, Mrs. Omar Glaspie.

At the close of the business session, the meeting was changed into a surprise party in honor of Mrs. Landon and Mrs. Hall, who had both held offices in the Ladies' Aid society for the last fifteen years. A luncheon was served and Mrs. Landon and Mrs. Hall were presented with gifts in appreciation of their work. Both societies are composed of the same group of women.

BOWLERS BANQUET
AT HOTEL GORDON

Captains and Outstanding Players Gave Snappy Talks Thursday.

(Contributed.)

Celebrating the close of the early winter schedule, the members of the six bowling teams gathered Thursday evening, Dec. 17, in the Gordon Hotel to banquet and arrange for a new schedule of games to be played starting the first week in the new year.

Dr. Starmann acted in the capacity of toastmaster and handled his part of the program too well in the minds of individuals whom he called upon to account for their good or bad bowling.

Fred Pinney brought before the bowlers a complete set of new rulings which would govern the next schedule and these were adopted with a few minor changes being made. He then announced that enough members had signed so that instead of six teams there would be ten complete five-men teams.

"Buzz" Wallace read the names of the ten men who would act as captains for the new schedule and also the men who were chosen by the captains at a previous meeting to comprise each team. The men were chosen according to their average score in the first round scheduled play and the teams should start its next year's play evenly matched.

Several captains and outstanding individuals were called upon for short snappy talks and some men showed even greater power in speech making than their averages would indicate in the bowling art. Before the close of a most enjoyable evening, a number of valuable and less valuable gifts were presented to members and teams for outstanding achievements during the early season's play. This called for response on the part of the men so honored and the flow of oratory which ensued was eagerly swallowed by other bowlers who hope that at the close of the next schedule they might be given a chance to expand their chests in like manner.

"Irv" Parsch, captain of the team finishing in first place, commanded the most attention during the prize giving awards. His individual score topped the list of 36 bowlers. He also chalked up the highest single game score besides receiving the highest total score for three games in an evening's play. His team accumulated the highest score for one single game besides other minor honorable mention. During Mr. Parsch's response to the many gifts showered upon him and his team, and at the time he was expounding the wonderful bowling qualities which his team had acquired, some disgruntled member of an opposing team called his attention to the fact that his team had used more substitutes during the scheduled play than any other team in the league which accounted for this wonderful showing which he and his team had made, but "Irv" had already received the gifts.

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CHRIST IS BORN

Christ was born last night.

While thousands who for generations had awaited His birth slept and were unaware, the promised Redeemer of mankind came into the world.

Not with fanfare.

Not with kingly pomp.

Not heralded by armies which so many of His people in recent years had imagined would accompany His coming to deliver them from the bondage of a foreign empire and restore to them the full glory of Solomon and his temple.

But humbly, with sheep and goats for attendants, He was born in a stable, because there was no room in the inn of Bethlehem. Thus the words of the Prophet Micah were fulfilled: "And thou Bethlehem the land of Juda art not the least among the princes of Juda; for out of thee shall come forth the captain that shall rule my people of Israel."

And Mary, His mother, wrapped Him in swaddling clothes and laid Him in a manger, because it was cold in the stable. Outside the streets of Bethlehem were silent, quiet.

All day there had been clamor in the streets—for here, too, as in all of the Roman empire, people have returned to be registered in the city of their birth.

Merchant princes from Achab in Galilee and bankers from Jerusalem with their followers and bodyguards and beggars from Samaria with their lice and their rags.

All day the streets of Bethlehem resounded with the rumble of wheels and the clatter of sandaled feet.

But last night the streets were strangely quiet.

None of these merchants or bankers, or even beggars knew of the birth of Christ. They were asleep.

Word of the birth was brought to this city last night by shepherds who had been tending their flocks on the outskirts of Bethlehem.

These men brought the glad tidings, given to them, they said, by angels who sang "Glory to God in the highest; and on earth peace to men of good will."

An angel of the Lord, they said, had appeared before them and said to them: "Fear not; for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, that shall be to all the people."

"For this day is born to you a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord, in the city of David."

"And this shall be a sign to you: you shall find the infant wrapped in swaddling clothes, and laid in a manger."

And so, the shepherds, said, they left their flocks on the hillside and came to Bethlehem, the city of David, to find the child.

And when they came to the inn of the city, the boldest of them stepped up to the door and knocked. No one answered. He knocked more loudly, and there was a lumbering noise on the inside, and soon the door was opened a crack and the innkeeper asked them, angry: "What is this racket? Who are you? There are no rooms . . . do you hear . . . not a single room . . . go away."

"But . . ." began one of the shepherds. "Not a room."

"But, we don't want a room."

"Not want a room, then why are you knocking here? Don't you know this is an inn?"

"We are looking for the Christ," very simply.

"The Christ?"

"Yes, we have seen His angel."

The innkeeper opened the door a trifle wider and blinked an eye at them. Then he reared back his head, opened his mouth and laughed a lusty shout of a laugh.

"Ho . . . ho . . . hooo, the Christ." He caught his breath, and then shouted at them, "And I suppose you think I have him under my roof. Ho . . . ho." He ran a chubby hand through his thinning hair.

"That," he told the shepherds, "is the best one I've heard since the enrollment order. 'So all might be registered,' they said. So none may escape the tax collector say I . . . But why do I talk to you fellows?"

"Listen, you, when the Christ is born we shall know it, yes, we'll all know it. . . . There will be something to shout about, believe me. . . . And there will be plenty to hear. He'll be a leader, do you hear. . . . a strong leader, do you—why do I talk to you, listen, go away."

The innkeeper rubbed his hands and began to close the door.

"But we are looking for the Christ; we have seen His angel," said one of the younger shepherds boldly. "Has no one come this way?"

"No—go away—you'll disturb . . ."

"The angel said we would find the child in a manger."

"In a manger . . . hmmm . . ." the innkeeper mused. "Why," he said remembering, "there were two people here earlier in the evening. A man and a girl. The girl was on an ass."

"Yes, I had forgotten. The man asked for a room. But I told him what I'm telling you . . . there is no room. I remember he nearly cried. The girl seemed very tired, but I didn't see her face. Yes, I remember them. I felt sorry for them, but there was no room. I told them they could go into the stable. But they had no child."

"Now will you go. It's cold out here."

The innkeeper looked at the shepherds and chuckled. "The Christ . . . ho . . . ho . . ."

Again the night was very still. Stars shone brightly on Bethlehem, and it was cold.

For a moment the shepherds were afraid. "Maybe," suggested one of them, "we have been wrong."

"Don't say that. Remember there was an angel . . . and the sign given us. Let's go to the stable."

They jostled themselves in their eagerness. Softly they entered.

There was a candle stuck in the crude wall, and it cast a feeble glow.

Beneath its flickering light they saw Mary and Joseph of Nazareth, and then, drawing nearer, they saw the Child, wrapped in swaddling clothes and laid in the manger, as the angel had told them.

It was quiet. The world was hushed.

The clang of the swords of Rome fell far, far away, and the shout of the tax collector and the laugh of the innkeeper were lost and forgotten.

It was so quiet that the shepherds could hear the breath of the beasts, gently drawn, and could see it like a mist in the cold light of the candle.

And they knelt, there in the stable, and worshipped.

(In the news-writing contest for the best story in modern form of the Birth of Christ, the National Editorial Association has awarded the prize for the above story submitted by Frank Brutto of The Evanston Daily News-Index.)

All of the 45 head of cattle except one cow and calf were saved. The horses were also turned out.

Several tons of hay, bushels of oats and beans were burned. Lloyd Gray, one of the farm help, had his hands burned badly.

The barn was one of the largest and one of the best equipped barns in this section. The loss was nearly covered by insurance.

PLEASE SEND IN COPY
EARLY FOR NEXT WEEK

The Chronicle, it is planned, will be printed a day early next week and the printers will appreciate the receipt of early copy.

Advertisers, correspondents, and other contributors are requested to bring or send in their copy at least a day earlier than usual.

MANY HOMES MADE
BEAUTIFUL IN CONTEST

Judges Had Hard Task in Awarding Prizes Tuesday Night.

Judges of the Christmas decorations of Cass City homes have had much easier "jobs" than that assigned to them Tuesday evening when they decided the places which ranked best with their Yuletide embellishments.

After driving the streets over and over again and after frequent consultations, they awarded prizes as follows:

1st, Mr. and Mrs. J. Ivan Niergarth.

2nd, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Burke.

3rd, Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Auten.

4th, Kenneth Higgins.

The first prize is \$10 in merchandise from the Detroit Edison Co.; second prize, \$5.00 in cash; third and fourth prizes, each a large turkey. The last three prizes came from the Community and Rotary clubs.

Because of Mrs. Levi Bardwell's absence from Cass City, Mrs. Stanley Warner served as the judge representing the Woman's Study club Tuesday evening. Delbert Profit represented the Community club and F. A. Bigelow, the Rotary club.

Promoters of this first Christmas decorations contest here are very well pleased with the response of citizens. One judge was heard to remark Wednesday that the awarding committee regretted that they did not have at least five additional prizes to bestow.

State's Auto Toll
Shows No Big Jump

Increase of Michigan's traffic death rate in 1936 over that of 1935 is only 3 percent, rather than the 9.2 percent increase indicated by failure to consider vital factors involved, Orville E. Atwood, chairman of the Michigan State Safety Council points out.

Traffic deaths jumped 109 for the first 10 months of 1936 as compared with the corresponding period of 1935, for an increase of 9.2 percent, but increase of both motor vehicles and of the state's gasoline consumption change the picture.

There were 135,172 more motor vehicles registered with the Secretary of State during the first 10 months of 1936 than during the corresponding period in 1935, and total gasoline consumption rose 8.9 percent.

Calculations of the resultant death rate increase were submitted to Atwood by Trooper Cornelius F. Van Blankensteyn of the Michigan State Police, secretary of the council.

On Tuesday, at 12:30 p. m., Rev. Charles Bayless spoke over station WMPC at Lapeer, under the auspices of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Mrs. John Guisbert of Bethel sang on the program and was accompanied at the piano by Miss Retta Charter.

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MARRIED 60 YEARS
ON CHRISTMAS DAY

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Schwaderer Are Celebrating Anniversary Today.

HAVE BEEN RESIDENTS OF
CASS CITY SINCE 1880

Sixty years of married life together is the record of Mr. and Mrs. Chris Schwaderer, well known residents of Cass City for many years, who are celebrating the occasion at their home today (Christmas Day).

Because of the frail health of Mrs. Schwaderer, the day is being passed quietly with all of their children present but a son, William.

Mr. Schwaderer was born in Erie county, New York, on November 7, 1853, and Mrs. Schwaderer, who was Mary Jane Blaine, was born in Wardsville, Ontario, August 26, 1855. They were united in marriage at Wardsville on Christmas Day of 1876.

In October, 1880, Mr. and Mrs. Schwaderer came to make their home in Cass City. That fall, Mr. Schwaderer erected a building west of the town hall and opened a meat market there the following January. Three years later, he began buying live stock for shipment to Buffalo which he continued for 45 years in this community.

Mr. and Mrs. Schwaderer are the parents of eight children, two of whom died in infancy.

The others are Mrs. Mabel Hunt of Kansas City, William G. Mrs. Hersey Young of Fort Morgan, Colo., Edward Schwaderer, Eugene B. Schwaderer and Mrs. Leola Smith of Cass City. They have sixteen grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Schwaderer reside on a farm just outside the western corporation line of the village, in a beautiful, new modern house which has just been completed to take the place of one which burned less than a year ago.

Joseph Blaine of Wardsville, Ontario, is spending the holidays with his sister, Mrs. Schwaderer. She has two brothers and a sister, all in Ontario, who are past 75 years old.

Mr. Schwaderer has a sister, who is 85, living in Birmingham, Alabama.

Alumni to Play
High School Varsity

The high school gymnasium will be the scene of a good basketball battle between the alumni and the high school Wednesday night and then the scene will shift to one of a softer and friendlier atmosphere as the students and alumni renew old friendships at the dance that follows. The new and peppy high school band will play between halves of the game. They will be assisted in their direction by Mr. Campbell during Mr. Clayton's absence. There will be no advance in admission prices. The ticket to the game will admit the holder to the dance.

EVANGELICAL MISSIONARY
SOCIETY ELECT OFFICERS

The Woman's Missionary society of the Evangelical church were entertained in the home of Mrs. Fred Buehrly Friday afternoon. Mrs. Edward Helwig was the program leader.

The annual election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. John Sovey; first vice president, Mrs. S. C. Striffler; second vice president, Mrs. C. J. Striffler; third vice president, Mrs. Edward Helwig; recording secretary, Mrs. H. F. Lenzner; corresponding secretary, Martha Striffler; treasurer, Mrs. Ben Schwieger.

At the close of the meeting, the hostess served "Christmas" refreshments, consisting of buttered snitzbrod, sandwiches, red and green fruited jello, springerle and coffee.

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LOCAL BOY WINS \$5 FOR
BEST WEIGHT ESTIMATE

The 4-H boys attending the Junior Live Stock show at Detroit early this month were taken through the Detroit stockyards. On this trip, they were shown a group of steers and asked to estimate the average weight of the animals. Early this week, Delbert Rawson, a member of the Cass City Live Stock club, received a check for \$5, his award for the best estimate made in this contest.

Frutchey Employees
at Christmas Party

"All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy" and so, on Thursday, Dec. 17, about forty bean pickers and other employees of the Frutchey Bean company enjoyed a Christmas party and roast beef dinner at the elevator and spent a few hours in visiting, music and dancing. The room was very pretty with a Christmas tree and other Christmas trimmings while the tables were decorated with bouquets of cut flowers. Gifts were exchanged and each woman was presented with a box of candy. Mrs. David Tvo, a bean picker of forty years ago, was an honor guest.

CASS CITY DEFEATS
CROSWELL, 29-12

Both Squads Win Opening League Games by Superior Basket Shooting.

Cass City opened its Upper Thumb schedule with two decisive victories at Croswell on Tuesday night, the first team winning 29-12 and the second team winning 22-15.

Although playing on a small floor and being outreached by their rivals, the sharp shooting of the Maroon and Grey gave them an early lead and they gradually kept adding to it to the end.

Following is the line-up:

Cass City.			
	FG	FT	TP
Davidson, f	4	2	10
Doerr, f	2	2	6
Smith, c	2	1	5
A. Reagh, g	1	0	2
G. Reagh, g	1	2	4
Profit, sub.	1	0	2
	11	7	29
Croswell.			
	FG	FT	TP
Coon, f	1	2	4

Lindon, f	0	0	0
Lindke, c	1	0	2
Desjardins, g	0	2	2
Kirkpatrick, g	1	0	2
Hole, sub.	1	0	2
	4	4	12

Schulz Given
Two-Year Contract

Godfrey Schulz of Unionville was given a two-year contract by the Tuscola County Road commission last Thursday to succeed himself as maintenance superintendent.

Mr. Schulz has been connected with the county road commission for nearly 17 years. For nearly 15 years, he was a member of the county commission, retiring from that office in 1934.

Large Barn Was
Burned at Gagetown

From Gagetown Correspondent. At midnight Thursday, fire of unknown origin was discovered in the barn of Julius Fischer, and before the family were aroused and the alarm turned in, the fire had made such headway that the whole top of the barn was on fire and there was nothing that could be done to save the building.

MERRY CHRISTMAS 1936

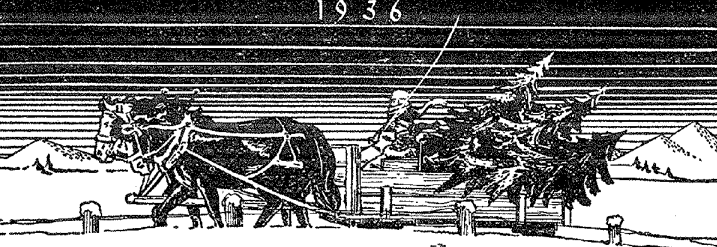


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And so we won't miss anyone we'll
say it again—
"Greetings and a Merry Christmas."

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but a truly sincere wish for every
happiness for you and your family.

N. Bigelow & Sons



It is folks like you whose friendship has made
our Christmas a happy event. May we extend our
thanks and our greetings.

D. A. KRUG



Of all gifts none will be finer than
having had the pleasure of being of
service to you in the past.

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PEACE PLAN FOR AMERICA.

The American republics, includ-
ing the United States, have signed
a plan for preservation of peace on
the American continent, as drafted
by the conference at Buenos Aires.
These countries agree to consult
with each other about what to do
in case of war, and they agree not
to interfere with each other's af-
fairs.

Under this plan, it will not ap-
parently be possible for the United
States to send armed forces into
the tropical republics to maintain
order when they are disturbed by
revolutions, as has been done many
times in past years. Conditions in
those peppy little republics may
become bad if they are not threat-
ened by Uncle Sam's big stick.
But when our country thus at-
tempts to regulate those countries,
much ill feeling is created.

If such agreements can maintain
permanent peace in America, one
would think the nations of fighting
Europe would be ashamed of the
incessant turmoil their quarrels
create.

THE INSIDIOUS MONOXIDE.

"Death due to carbon monoxide."
How often one reads that news
item as the cold weather comes on.
The motorist runs his engine in a
closed garage, and suddenly falls
asleep, as the little space fills with
the stealthy fumes.

The speed with which this vapor
works is appalling. In a two-car
garage, it may produce collapse in
five to 10 minutes, which would
come much sooner in a little one
car space. Our modern inventions
make the world of mechanical pow-
er our servant. But when we
create a new power, we create new
perils which must be watched.
Better open that door wide before
touching the starter, Mr. Motorist!

DISPLAY OF BUSINESS HONOR.

The Reconstruction Finance Cor-
poration, formed to promote in-
dustrial recovery, has loaned \$6-
308,871,407. Of that amount about
68 per cent has been repaid. It is
predicted that when its books are
closed, it will not have lost a dol-
lar.

If crookedness was general
among business enterprises, many
companies would have taken ad-
vantage of the government, and
the money loaned them would have
disappeared. Probably the great
majority of companies that failed
during the depression were honest
in their methods, and were simply
swept under by a tide they could
not foresee. It is somewhat popu-
lar to represent that the country is
full of fraud. The above figures
do not confirm that depressing
idea.

IS THE DEPRESSION OVER?

The period beginning October
1929 will long be remembered as
the time of the most severe indus-
trial depression ever encountered.
Is that depression over? The Na-
tional City Bank of New York, in
its December circular letter, says
that "the word 'depression' no longer
applies to the general business
situation." Many business authori-
ties say the same thing.

Yet the above bank letter says it
must be used in connection with
unemployment and in a few indus-
tries. The continuance of unem-
ployment, at a time when business
as a whole seems prosperous, and
when industrial production is about
normal, is a strange feature of the
situation.

In a country where business is so
active, it is a deplorable thing that
there is not work enough for every-
body, and that it is particularly
difficult for many of the young
folks, also for many elderly people,
to find the employment for which
they are well qualified.

Even in previous boom times, a
good many were out of work. The
explanation commonly given, is
that machinery is being introduced
so fast, that it throws people out
faster than they can find jobs.
But machinery makes production so
much cheaper that it lowers prices,
so people can buy more goods,
making jobs for many workers.

The country needs some plan to
find work for those still idle, who
probably number 7,000,000 or more.
Much is said about a shortage of
skilled workers. Many concerns

are reported to be training young
men for such jobs, and it seems a
wise policy. It looks as if a period
of great industrial activity was
coming. The concerns that spend
money now in getting ready for it
will get the richest fruits out of
such activity.

"MERRY CHRISTMAS."

When you say "Merry Christ-
mas" is it just an old custom, in
which the words mean nothing to
you? Do you say it simply to get
ahead of your friends, or is there
really an upsurge of joy in your
heart, that just can't be held in?

No one knows just when Christ
was born. But it was evident to
the old fathers of the church, that
his coming to earth, as the world's
greatest event, must be celebrated
some time. So our present Christ-
mas season, when the short days
have come to an end, and the sun
is about to begin his returning
journey to our heavens, was picked
as a suitable time for this outburst
of joy.

Christ and His Apostles preached
the end of wars and hate, and the
coming of peace and brotherly love.
This gospel promised infinite bless-
ings to the world. So at Christ-
mas, people felt like singing their
happiest songs, and shouting their
gladdest hallelujahs.

Alas, those ardent hopes of an
earthly paradise have not been
realized. While Christ's gospel has
nominally spread over the more
enlightened nations, yet the hearts
of men still remain hard and refuse
to obey it. Through these dark
clouds of selfishness and fear,
Christmas comes once a year.
It gives us a vision of what a
heaven on earth could be, if the
world would only follow the teach-
ings of the blessed Master.

On that one day, people are
temporarily influenced by His life.
At least they exemplify something
of His self-sacrificing spirit, and
really do fine and generous things.
If only the Christmas feeling could
last the whole year, most of our
problems would vanish.

"Christmas comes but once a
year." Haven't heard of any move
by the overworked store clerks and
postal employes to have it come
any oftener.

The crabbed citizen who finds
fault because the carol singers
wake him up at 7:00 a. m. Christ-
mas morning, is the same old boy
who used to get up at five o'clock
to see what Santa had put into his
stocking.

GAGETOWN

Study Club Meets—

The Woman's Study club met on
Monday evening with Mrs. Ralph
Clara. The meeting opened with a
song, "Joy to the World." Re-
sponse to roll call was "My First
Christmas." A quartet, Mrs. Les-
lie Munro, Mrs. Alex Crawford,
Mrs. Earl Russell and Mrs. Harry
Russell, sang several songs. Mrs.
Don Wilson gave a paper on
"Christmas in Different Countries"
and Mrs. Alphonso Rocheleau gave
a talk on "Our Christmas Trees."
The closing song was "The First
Noel." The next meeting will be
held January 4 with Mrs. Leslie
Munro, hostess.

Mrs. Frances Glover of Midland,
installing officer of the O. E. S.,
spent Wednesday with Mr. and
Mrs. Ed Fischer.

Miss Julia Mackay spent Satur-
day and Sunday in Saginaw with
Miss Elizabeth Yost.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hemerick will
leave Friday for Princeton, West
Virginia, to attend the wedding of
their son, Dr. Frederick Hemerick,
who will be married Sunday, Dec.
27, to Miss Virginia Woolfolk.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Montreuil
of Detroit spent Saturday and Sun-
day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs.
I. Montreuil.

Lou Murray of College Park,
Georgia, and Miss Peggy Jane
Murray, who is attending Albion
college at Albion, will spend the
holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Leslie
C. Purdy. They will spend Christ-
mas with Mr. and Mrs. Preston
Purdy at Saginaw.

Misses Pauline and Cathryn
Hunter and Francis Hunter of De-
troit will spend from Thursday un-
til Sunday with Mrs. C. P. Hunter.

Mr. and Mrs. John Karner and
son, Larry, of Kalkaska spent from
Thursday until Sunday with Mr.
and Mrs. Tony Weiler.

Mr. and Mrs. Selah Butler will
entertain on Christmas Mr. and
Mrs. Ben Ritter and son, Billy,
Mrs. Francis McDonald and three
sons and Mrs. Josephine McDonald.

Christmas guests of Miss Bridget
Phelan will be Mr. and Mrs. David
Durst and daughter, Theresa Ann,
Misses Susan and Agnes Phelan of
Detroit, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Seu-
ryneck and Mr. and Mrs. Vincent
Wald and family.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Auten will
entertain for Christmas dinner Mrs.
Emma Spitzer and Mr. and Mrs.
Virgil Spitzer.

J. E. Robinson of Parkhill, On-
tario, came Saturday to spend the
winter with his sister, Mrs. Re-
becca Hurd.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jaynes will
spend Christmas day in Mayville at
a family reunion held at the home
of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jaynes.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Freeman,
Mrs. Ed Kehoe and Mrs. Harry
Comment went to Milmay, Canada,
Monday to attend the funeral of an
aunt, Mrs. Matilda Schwelte, sister
of Mrs. Miles Kehoe. The funeral
was held Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rocheleau
will have as their guests Christmas
day, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Roche-
leau and family, Mr. and Mrs.
Henry LaFave, Mr. and Mrs. Je-
rome Rocheleau and two daugh-
ters, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Roche-
leau and family of Unionville, Mr.
and Mrs. Carl Seiland and family
of Caro and Mr. and Mrs. Dennis
Rocheleau.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Harding of
Pontiac and Mrs. Eileen Thiel of
Detroit will spend Friday with Mr.
and Mrs. Adolph Thiel.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Beach, hav-
ing rented their farm to Clayton
Beach, moved to town and will oc-
cupy the Al Russell house for the
winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Kehoe will
spend their Christmas at Pontiac
with Mr. and Mrs. Frank O'Neal.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Hobart and
son, Bennie, and Mr. and Mrs. Neil
McKinnon and Miss Patricia La-
Cross will be Christmas guests of

Mr. and Mrs. Dan McKinnon of
Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Cornell of
Grayling came Saturday to spend
two weeks with her parents, Mr.
and Mrs. Joseph Freeman.

WILMOT.

Married—

Miss Phyllis Penfold of Wilmot
was united in marriage to Leo Ash-
croft of Decker on Thursday, Dec.
17, at 2:00 p. m., at the M. E.
parsonage at 24th and Lambert
streets, Detroit. The couple are
residing at 1021 Hubbard street.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Evans spent
Thursday and Friday in Saginaw
with their children and families.

The farm home east of town,
owned by Bardon Dobbs of Flint,
burned to the ground last Wednes-
day afternoon. William Gage, Sr.,
was living on the farm.

Mrs. Ivadell Deford of Maple
Ridge and Mrs. Pearl Crandell
visited relatives in Pontiac last
week Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Waxell, Joe
Waxell and Miss Ina Atfield were
callers in Caro and Cass City on
Wednesday.

Quite a number from here at-
tended the quarterly meeting at
Evergreen last week-end. Rev. A.
L. Brown of Port Huron was in
charge.

Omitted last week.

Mr. and Mrs. William Lippowiths
of Detroit were week-end guests at
the George Kiteley home.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Clark and
daughter, Mary Lou, of Pontiac
enjoyed the week-end with rela-
tives and friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Solomon
and children of Postoria visited at
the Mrs. Fred Crandell home Sun-
day and Monday.

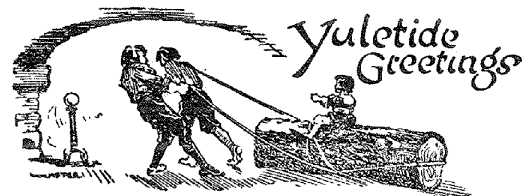
Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Chapin and
family were callers in Caro on
Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Clapp and son,
Frank, of Flint spent Friday at the
Cora Atfield home.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gesten-
burger and daughter of Marlette
were Sunday guests at the Harold
Chapin home.

A number of friends gathered
Thursday evening to help John
Roberts celebrate his birthday.

Advertise it in the Chronicle.



Time Travels On—

and up to this moment of writing no one in Washington has suggested a
change in the scheduled arrival of Christmas.

No injunction has been issued against the progress of Old Father
Time. He's still plodding along on the same schedule he has followed for cen-
turies.

He re-awakens each year the Spirit of Good Will towards all
men. He re-creates confidence and cheer in a weary old world.

It's just too bad the Real Meaning of his yearly visits are so soon
forgotten.

We're devoting this little message of ours to sincere and warm-
hearted greetings from every member of our organization to you and yours.

Just a simple age-old wish that has never been beaten—A MERRY
CHRISTMAS!

Happily yours,

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May pleasant memories of the jolly old season linger
long after the holidays are over.

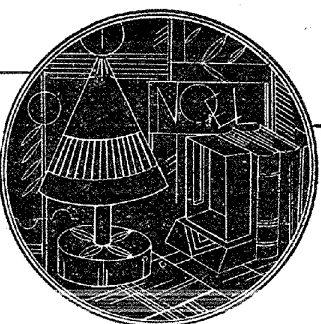
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To those whom we have served, our sincere thanks for the
privilege of being of help in making this
Christmas merry!

A. B. C. Sales and Service

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1936

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Believe the hearty sincerity of this little greeting and expression of Good Will.

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Merry Christmas

HENRY'S GROCERY

1936

May this Christmas be twice as nice, twice as happy as any you have ever had.

May We Suggest?

Each Christmas for years and years, it has been the custom to exchange presents. It is barely possible you will discontinue this custom this Christmas. May we suggest that you consider exchanging electrical gifts. They are universally used, practical, a really true remembrance gift.

We mention a few:

- I. E. S. Table or Floor Lamp,
- Electric Range,
- Refrigerator,
- Ironer,
- Iron,
- Toaster,
- Percolator,
- Curling Iron,
- Heating Pad,
- Washing Machine,
- Vacuum Cleaner,
- Mixer,
- and Decorative Lamps.

DO NOT DECIDE ON YOUR GIFT UNTIL YOU INVESTIGATE.

The Detroit Edison Company

LOCALS

Don Hunter was a caller in Lansing Friday.

Elmer Flint of Kalamazoo is spending the holidays at his home here.

Mrs. Levi Bardwell is spending two weeks with relatives in Lansing.

A son, Allen Ray, was born Sunday, Dec. 13, to Mr. and Mrs. Owen Lovely of Cadillac.

Albert Warner, a teacher in the Harrisville school, came Wednesday to spend Christmas vacation at his home here.

Miss Geraldine Striffler left on Thursday to spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Claud Greenway, at Petoskey.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Holmberg and daughter are spending Christmas and the week-end as guests of relatives in Detroit.

Ronald Reagh of New London, Connecticut, came Saturday to spend some time with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Reagh.

Mrs. C. W. Price entertained a few friends Sunday evening at an informal tea in honor of Mrs. Frederick J. Libby and Miss Alice Libby.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred West of St. Clair are expected Saturday to spend the week-end with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George West.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Landon and daughter, Miss Margaret, spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives and friends in Detroit and Plymouth.

John Morris, who is employed at Wheaton, Illinois, is expected the last of the week to spend several days with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. F. L. Morris.

Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Youngs and children are guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Doll, parents of Mrs. Youngs, at Midland from Friday until Sunday.

Miss Luverne Battel of Mt. Morris and Miss Leila Battel of Pigeon came Wednesday to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Battel.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Taylor were callers in Lansing and Grand Ledge Friday. Miss Bernita and Howard Taylor of East Lansing returned home with their parents to spend the holidays here.

A miscellaneous shower was held Thursday evening, Dec. 17, at the home of Mrs. Kilburn Parsons in honor of her sister, Mrs. William St. Laurent, a bride of December 5. The time was spent in playing bingo when prizes were given and a luncheon was served. Mrs. St. Laurent received many lovely gifts.

James Campbell of Caro visited his sister, Mrs. Howard Lauderbach, on Thursday of last week.

Miss Mildred Karr, a teacher in the Lansing schools, came Saturday to spend a two weeks' vacation at her home here.

Mrs. Clinton Helwig of Pontiac visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Barnes, from Friday until Sunday afternoon.

Andrew Barnes, who has spent several months at Gladstone, has completed his work there and has returned to his home here.

Robert and William Ward and Lorn Ward, all of Detroit, spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives and friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Drake and two children of Midland visited at the home of Mrs. Drake's aunt, Mrs. James D. Tuckey, Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Walsh and daughter, Mary, of Grand Marais came Saturday to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Warner, parents of Mrs. Walsh, here and with relatives in Lapeer.

Mrs. J. D. Brooker leaves Sunday afternoon for Detroit enroute to Washington, D. C., where she will spend the winter with her friend, Mrs. Etta Kaufman. Mrs. Brooker's son, James K. Brooker, of Bay City will accompany her to Detroit.

The members of the Grange and the L. O. E. club gave a party in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Cole at the Martin Keilitz home at Ellington Corners on Friday evening. A potluck meal was served, and after an evening of jollification, the honored guests were presented with a gift. Mr. and Mrs. Cole expect to spend the winter in Detroit after the Christmas holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Graham of Lost Lake Woods club visited at the home of Mrs. Graham's sister, Mrs. Clifford Secord, a few days this week. On Tuesday, Mr. and Mrs. Graham and nephew, Billie Secord, left to spend the holidays with relatives at Chattanooga, Tennessee.

P. S. McGregory, Mrs. Ethel McCoy and family left Thursday to spend Christmas with Mrs. F. D. McIntyre, daughter of Mr. McGregory and sister of Mrs. McCoy, in Detroit and will leave there on Saturday to spend the winter in Florida. Neil Kennedy and family of Deford will live in the McCoy house during the absence of the owners.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy W. Landon entertained Rev. and Mrs. L. A. Kennedy and P. S. McGregory at dinner Monday night. In the evening, the Baptist church people gathered at the Landon home in honor of Mr. McGregory, who leaves the last of the week to spend the winter in Florida. The affair was a complete surprise to Mr. McGregory. After a few hours of visiting and social time, ice cream and cake were served.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Auten were Detroit visitors Friday.

Mrs. A. J. Knapp spent several days last week in Detroit to be near her sister, Mrs. Alexandra LaBell, who was a patient at Harper hospital in that city. Mrs. LaBell was able to leave the hospital on Thursday of this week.

H. J. Jackson and Mr. and Mrs. Warn Jackson of Detroit came on Thursday to remain until Sunday with Mrs. Jackson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Tindale.

Mrs. G. A. Tindale, Mrs. Curtis Hunt and daughter, Harriet Jane, spent from Thursday until Saturday with Mrs. Warn Jackson, daughter of Mrs. Tindale and sister of Mrs. Hunt, in Detroit.

Miss Janet Allured, who has been ill for about ten days at the home of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. P. J. Allured, was able to resume her duties as teacher of music and art in the Vassar school Monday morning.

Embroidery Old as Needle
Embroidery, which consists of a design or decoration worked with thread on a piece of cloth, is as old as the first needle. The Greeks, Assyrians, Babylonians and Persians covered themselves with embroidered cloth and even went so far as to embroider their tents and horse blankets. During the reign of Queen Elizabeth, the English had an "embroidery craze." They embroidered everything from book coverings and purses to window shades.

California's Coast Line
California occupies more than half of the Pacific coast line of the United States.

Finland Has Many Lakes
Eleven per cent of Finland consists of lakes.

Largest Fur Fair
The largest fair is held at Nizhni-Novogrod, Russia, where fur salesmen go annually. It was founded in the Seventeenth century.

Kansas' First Baseball Charter
Kansas records reveal the first baseball charter in the state was filed from Leavenworth in January, 1867.

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Christmas

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LET'S Look BELOW THE SURFACE

The picture on the left shows a fully developed sugar beet just as it appears in your soil. When this main root is pulled thousands of little fibrous rootlets are left in the soil. These remaining rootlets average about a ton to an acre. When these little roots finally rot they deposit a rich humus in the lower strata of your soil.

As they decompose, tiny channels or open spaces are left, permitting the entrance of air. All of which keeps your soil in excellent condition for succeeding crops. What is the best money crop you can produce? Sugar Beets! What makes intensive cultivation pay and destroys weeds and pests? Sugar Beets! What fits into a well balanced crop rotation system? Sugar Beets! What comes through best in bad weather? Sugar Beets! What is the ideal non-surplus crop? Sugar Beets! Today the thoughtful farmer is more enlightened than ever before. Today he realizes, what has been proven in thousands of cases, that an annual definite planting of Sugar Beets will bring him the most profit over a period of years.

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A kindly wish and a kindly thought for all our friends.

HAPPY YULETIDE TO ALL 1936

We Wish for You Life's Best Things and a Merry Christmas.

Cass City Furniture Store

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Kettlewell

LOCALS

Mrs. Archie Davenport spent Sunday in Detroit.

Glen Wright and Robert Keppen were callers in Saginaw Sunday.

Floyd Hiller is still a patient at the Morris hospital.

Leo Ware and Harvey Bartle of Pontiac spent the week-end at their homes here.

John H. Kercher left Friday to spend some time at the home of his son, C. G. Kercher, in Owosso.

Harry Hunt and Albert Whitfield both drive new Standard Ford Tudors with trunks.

Mrs. Jennie Bentley returned the last of the week from Ewart, where she has been nursing.

Mr. and Mrs. John Karner of Kalkaska spent Saturday with Mrs. M. M. Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Prior and Mrs. M. M. Moore spent Monday in Bay City.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Southworth were visitors in Gagetown Saturday.

Miss Freida Parker of Ypsilanti spent a few days the first of the week as the guest of Miss Frances Seed.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip McComb, Mrs. John Haley and Mrs. Edward Rush were visitors in Lapeer on Friday.

Miss Lura DeWitt left Wednesday for Detroit. She plans to spend a month with friends in that city.

Mrs. Lewis Law suffered a paralytic stroke Monday afternoon and is seriously ill at her home northeast of Cass City.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Russo and daughter, Jean, of Detroit were guests at the William Schwegler home from Friday until Sunday.

Dr. B. H. Starmann is entertaining Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sherman of St. Joseph, Missouri, this week. Mrs. Sherman is a sister of Dr. Starmann.

The Misses Eleanor and Leanne Milligan of Detroit are guests of Cass City relatives over Christmas and the week-end.

Miss Allison Spence of Flint is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James J. Spence.

Cecil Kettlewell of Crosswell and A. R. Kettlewell of this place spent a few days the first of the week in Detroit.

Mrs. Hazel O'Rourke, Mrs. Melvin Patterson, Mrs. Archie Davenport and Miss Lorraine Watson spent Thursday in Saginaw.

Mrs. Glen Wright and daughters, Marjorie and Mary Lou, visited at the home of Mrs. Wright's sister, Mrs. Vern Ivory, in North Branch Sunday.

Mrs. Frank Benedict and sister, Mrs. Jack Tucker, spent last week in Detroit, where they were called because of the death of Mrs. Tucker's son-in-law.

Mrs. Beulah Calley and son, Richard, of Detroit spent a few days the first of the week at the home of Mrs. Calley's sister, Mrs. J. H. Bohnsack.

Miss Gertrude McWebb and Miss Nina McWebb, both of Cleveland, came Saturday to spend a two weeks' vacation with their mother, Mrs. Sarah McWebb, and sister, Miss Mary McWebb.

Floyd Zapfe had his cheek badly cut when a "running" belt of a gas engine left the pulley and hit him in the face Monday afternoon. The accident occurred at the plant of the Cass City Sand and Gravel Co.

The girls of Mrs. G. A. Spitzer's class of the Evangelical Sunday School and a few guests enjoyed a six o'clock potluck supper at her home in the Evangelical parsonage Friday. The evening was spent in singing and reading of "The Bird's Christmas Carol" by Kate Douglas Wiggin.

Mrs. Louis Krahling has resigned from her position as bookkeeper in the lumber department of The Farm Produce Co. so she may devote more time to the management of the Ricker & Krahling market of which she is part owner. Mrs. Krahling held the position in The Farm Produce Co.'s office for 11 years. George Dillman is the new bookkeeper.

Mr. and Mrs. Simeon Bardwell were honor guests at a surprise dinner Sunday when a group of relatives journeyed to the Bardwell farm home in Elkland township. The occasion was the celebration of the 41st marriage anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Bardwell which date came earlier the previous week. Included in the party were Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Copland and family, Mrs. Alice Lepla and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lepla, all of Detroit, and Mrs. Lyle Bardwell and daughter, Barbara Jean, of Cass City.

Frederick J. Libby, executive secretary of the National Council for the Prevention of War, spoke to Rotary club members at their luncheon Tuesday noon. He emphasized the importance of local peace units in the towns and cities of the nation to educate citizens in the direction of peace and to show that war is not necessary. The "Big Five" working together who can be a mighty force for peace are farmers, labor unions, church members, women's organizations and college students, Mr. Libby said. Santa Claus made a visit to Rotarians during the luncheon and distributed cigars and candy.



CHRISTMAS GUESTS.

George L. Johnson, A. E. Vader, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Vader are spending Christmas with relatives and friends in Birmingham.

Mr. and Mrs. John West and Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Pinney are Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. George West.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. McLellan are spending Christmas at the home of Mrs. McLellan's sister, Mrs. Harry Genshaw, in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Knapp and son, Clark, are spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Hitchcock in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Walker and son, Harold, of Argyle are spending Christmas at the home of Mrs. Walker's sister, Mrs. James McMahon.

Guests at the Don A. Hunter home for Christmas are Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Hunter and daughter, Jane Ann, and Mr. and Mrs. John Birch, all of Flint.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Kettlewell and family and Ted Kettlewell are guests of Robert Kettlewell, father of A. R. and Ted, at Crosswell today (Christmas).

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Landon and two children of Grand Rapids are expected to spend Christmas with Mr. Landon's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy W. Landon.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Atwell and son, Stuart, will be Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Prutchey and Mr. and Mrs. A. D. McIntyre at Saginaw.

Christmas guests at the Christopher McRae home are John McRae, Miss Christie McRae, Dr. and Mrs. Kenneth McRae and son, Christopher, all of Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Keppen and daughter, Damon, are spending Christmas with Mrs. Keppen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Damon, in Fenton.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Barnes are entertaining for Christmas, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Barnes of Gladstone, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Helwig of Pontiac, Mr. and Mrs. John Deering and daughter, Mona Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Campbell are entertaining for Christmas and the week-end Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Cummings of Flint, Mrs. Maud Waters of Harrisville and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Kennedy of Alpena.

Guests at the home of Dr. and Mrs. P. A. Schenck for Christmas will be Dr. and Mrs. M. W. Wickware and son, Kenneth, Mrs. R. L. Holloway and daughter, Miss Doris, all of Detroit; and Miss Florence Schenck of Ann Arbor.

Those who are enjoying Christmas at the George Dillman home are Mr. and Mrs. Otto Nique of Decker, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Smiley of Drayton Plains, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Weaver and two sons of Flint, Mrs. Sophia Striffler and Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Ricker.

Christmas guests at the Mason Wilson home are Mrs. Esther Sargent, Mr. and Mrs. William R. Wilson of Royal Oak, Mrs. Ida Wilson and daughter, Miss Laura, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Broomfield of Silverwood and Miss Goldie Wilson.

Those who are enjoying Christmas at the home of Mrs. Bay Crane are Mrs. Violet Bears, Mr. and Mrs. Lorn Brown, Mr. and Mrs. William McBurney and Miss Flossie Crane of Cass City, Mrs. Sarah Welsh of Caro, Mrs. Ellen Wilson and son, Lorn, and Miss Madeline Wilson of Ellington.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Auslander and son, Newton, are spending Christmas at the John Kennedy home.

Mrs. M. M. Moore spent Christmas in Detroit with her son, Garrison Moore, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Hemenway.

Mrs. Solomon Knechtel and son, Waldron, are spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Knechtel at Elkton.

Christmas guests at the William Joos home are Mr. and Mrs. Roy Graham and son, Ferris, of Caro, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Kercher and sons, Ferris and Gerald.

Mr. and Mrs. Forest Tyo and daughter, Dorothy, of Detroit are spending Christmas with Mr. Tyo's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clem Tyo, and other relatives here.

Rev. and Mrs. G. A. Spitzer are spending Christmas as guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Haist at Saginaw. Mrs. Spitzer and Mrs. Haist are sisters.

Rev. and Mrs. C. P. Bayless are entertaining the former's brother, Chester G. Bayless, and son, James, of Detroit for Christmas and the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Crandell and son, Harry, of Caro, and Miss Mabel Crandell of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, are guests at the A. A. Brian home for Christmas.

Christmas Day guests at the Albert Creguer home include Mr. and Mrs. Ray Meiser and Mrs. Fred Rutkowski, all of Pontiac, and Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Creguer of Gagetown.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ball and son, Grant, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Clement and son, Kenneth, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Ware and children will be entertained at the home of Mrs. Lydia Starr for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Bailey will entertain for Christmas and the week-end Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Bailey and son, Dickie, of Alpena, Mr. and Mrs. Clare Z. Bailey of Midland, Miss Lucile Bailey of Mt. Pleasant and Mrs. C. W. Clark of Caro.

Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Doerr will be H. J. Jackson and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Jackson of Detroit, Mr. and Mrs. George Hooper and Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Tindale of Cass City and Miss Helen Doerr of Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McBurney are holding a family reunion and entertaining at Christmas dinner Mr. and Mrs. Morton McBurney and family of Rochester, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley McBurney and son of Detroit, Mr. and Mrs. Verne Cluff and daughter of Caro.

Mr. and Mrs. James D. Tuckey will entertain their family and a few friends at an oyster supper on Christmas night. Guests will be Mr. and Mrs. Glen Tuckey and family, Mr. and Mrs. Luke Tuckey and family, Miss Gladys Tuckey, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Nieman and son of Cass City; Mr. and Mrs. John Tuckey of Colfax; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Tuckey of Pontiac.

Mrs. Lyle Bardwell will entertain at dinner Christmas, Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Champion, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Champion and son, Jimmie, Mr. and Mrs. Kilburn Parsons and daughter, Ione, of Cass City; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Champion and two children of St. Louis. Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Champion and Mr. and Mrs. Kilburn Parsons and daughter will be supper guests on Christmas of Mr. and Mrs. James Parsons, parents of Mrs. Champion and Kilburn Parsons, at Caro.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Tyo are guests of relatives in Saginaw for Christmas.

Christmas guests at the Allen Wanner home will be Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Wanner and two daughters and Mr. and Mrs. Clair Tuckey and family of Cass City; Mr. and Mrs. Carmen Wanner and son of Pontiac.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Milligan have as guests today (Christmas) Mr. and Mrs. James J. Spence, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Milligan and family of Cass City, Miss Allison Spence of Flint, Miss Eleanor and Miss Leanne Milligan of Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Auten will entertain at Christmas dinner, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick J. Libby of Washington, D. C., Miss Alice Libby of Oxford, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Wilsey of Caro; Mrs. Chas. Wilsey and Miss Helen Wilsey.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Striffler will spend Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. Robert H. Orr, at Pigeon. Other guests at the Orr home will be Mr. and Mrs. George Southworth and family of Elkton, Mrs. Ione Sturm and Miss Mary Striffler of Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Warner have as guests for Christmas their family, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Walsh and daughter of Grand Marais, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Orr and daughter of Caro, Albert Warner of Harrisville and Mr. and Mrs. Doris Remington of Flint.

Those who are enjoying Christmas dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dan DeLong are Mr. and Mrs. John DeLong and family of Decker; Mr. and Mrs. John Dickinson and son, Jack, of Bad Axe; Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Dickinson and daughter of Rochester; Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Reagh and son, Ronald.

Dr. and Mrs. I. A. Fritz are entertaining for Christmas, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Smith and daughter, Janice Ruth, and Miss Mildred Fritz of Detroit, Dr. and Mrs. A. C. Edgerton and son, Andrew, of Clio, Dr. and Mrs. Edwin C. Fritz of Saginaw, Mrs. Celia Edgerton, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Fritz and sons, Jerry and Robert.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Colwell will have as guests for Christmas Mr. and Mrs. Claud Shaw and son, Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Shaw and family and Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Shaw, all of Decker; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Colwell and two children, Mr. and Mrs. Beslock and daughter, Carolyn, of Ann Arbor; Alvey Shaw of Pontiac; Mr. and Mrs. Unhand Young, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Marklewitz and two children of Detroit.

Eels Eight Feet Long
Off the coast of Australia, near the Great Barrier reef, eels 8 feet long have been found. These creatures have formidable teeth and a willing disposition to fight.

Great Salt Lake, Dead Sea
The Great Salt Lake, Utah, has a surface area approximately six times that of the Dead sea in Palestine.

Producing Pound of Honey
To produce a pound of honey a bee would have to live 100 years and fly the equivalent of three and a half times around the world.

Emperors of Spanish Birth
Four Roman emperors were of Spanish birth.

Lights of New York

By L. L. STEVENSON

Synthetic Strikers: One of the most efficient scouts for this department—a gentleman and a scholar since whenever he digs up a yarn, it's O. K.—reports that many of the pickets, seen so constantly on the streets of this man's town, are not the real thing. It seems that some of the unions, when a strike is on, pay their members a dollar a day each for doing picket duty. Members too old to put in long hours walking up and down on hard sidewalks, as well as those who prefer leisure to a dollar, employ substitutes to bear the banners. Thus, a man carrying the announcement that painters on strike may be in reality an out-of-work bus boy, or one announcing that the exterminators are after a living wage may be a jobless plumber.

Rikers' Rats: Much has been written about the rats on Rikers island where mountains of garbage have been dumped by the city. Legend has it that those rats actually grow fat on poison and that they can lick any dog sent after them. Some are said to be so big that they look like young elephants. Millions have been slaughtered in one way or another but the supply, according to reports, never seems to decrease. There may be exaggeration in some of the reports. But the prison board, in a recent report, stated that the rats were actually invading the new penitentiary on the island, steel and stone apparently proving no barrier to the wily beasts.

Morning Mists: It occurs to me that in the past I've written of those light fogs common in the morning these days, which transform New York's famous skyline into something unreal. At any event, the other morning I got up at what seemed to be the middle of the night—6 a. m.—and went down the bay on the government cutter. Chancing to look back, I caught a glimpse of what seemed to be a city floating in mid-air—a city with gigantic buildings that had no foundations save white mist. And as I looked, I wondered if those famous hanging gardens of Babylon were like that. Then the cutter turned and went in pursuit of a vessel the captain of which was in too much of a hurry to stop. Interest in the race caused me to forget the magic city for so long that by the time I looked back again, the sun had done its work and the tip end of Manhattan was again real.

By Any Other Name: It may be remembered that recently the police department destroyed 26,000 gallons of liquor, holdover stocks from the last six years of prohibition, which had a bootleg value of 100,000. The liquor was dumped into the bay over in Brooklyn, which did not make any difference since there are no more fish left in the bay to kill anyway. What I'm getting at, however, is that the deputy police commissioner in charge of the destruction bears the name of Meaney. That might have had some significance, especially for the thirsty among the witnesses, if that liquor hadn't been so bad that of the whole stock only 1,472 gallons were found worth saving and most of that will probably be used to keep radiators of police department motors from freezing during the coming winter.

Cities Within a City: A group was discussing the kaleidoscopic city known as New York. Finally, one recalled the New York merchant who was asked why he didn't establish a branch over in Newark, the argument in favor of the New Jersey town being that it was a city of half a million. "If I want another city of a half a million, all I have to do is establish a branch a few blocks from my present store," said the merchant and the Newark proposition lapsed into the silence that fact sometimes brings.

Questionnaires seem to have a way of pursuing Carmela Ponselle. The other day she received one from a radio fan magazine. It contained questions ranging from Miss Ponselle's diet to her favorite composer. Toward the end was the following query: "Are there any other talented members in your family?" That was the only query Miss Ponselle answered. In the appropriate space, she wrote: "Some people seem to think my sister Rose shows promise."

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Young Riflemen Worsted by Girls' Archery Team

Walla Walla, Wash. — Fifteen young riflemen here recently discovered that a knowledge of firearms is useless when applied to archery.

After placing fifth in the national R. O. T. C. rifle matches, the high school riflemen challenged a girl's archery team to a duel—with weapons reversed. A "round" of strawberry sodas was the prize.

On the day of the contest, five girls calmly plunked shot after shot into their targets, handling their rifles like veterans. Fifteen fine riflemen—but very poor archers—filled the air with arrows that pierced everything on the archery range except the stuffed mattress they were supposed to hit.

The girls enjoyed the drinks.

Growth of Trees

A tree grows only at its surface, with the inner bark depositing the lifeless woody matter beneath it. During the spring and early summer this process takes place much more rapidly than in the late summer and autumn, when the wood is deposited in a relatively thin, compact layer. There is, of course, no growth during the winter. The result is that the wood is deposited in the concentric rings that no one can help noticing. The growth of a tree in a particular year depends on a number of things, such as soil, temperature, and rainfall. Of these the amount of rain is the greatest variable.

Emperor Constantius' Sapphire

The Emperor Constantius II had a 50-carat sapphire, the September birthstone, carved to represent himself spearing a boar.

Beard Sign of Grief

In old Roman times, a long beard was a sign of grief, worn by men in mourning.

Advertise it in the Chronicle.

CASS CITY MARKETS.

December 23, 1936.

Buying price—	
Wheat, No. 2, mixed, bushel.....	\$1.22
Oats, bushel.....	.49
Rye, bushel.....	1.10
Beans, cwt.....	6.50
Light Red Kidney Beans, cwt.....	6.25
Dark Red Kidney Beans, cwt.....	7.50
Sparton Barley, cwt.....	1.85
Malting Barley, cwt.....	2.40
Shelled Corn, bushel.....	1.66
Butterfat, pound.....	.36
Butter, pound.....	.33
Eggs, dozen.....	.28
Cattle, pound.....	.04 5/2
Hogs, pound.....	.09 1/2
Hens, pound.....	.09 1/3
Springers, pound.....	.09 1/4
White Ducks, pound.....	.15
Turkeys, pound.....	.18
Geese, pound.....	.12

Branded Deserters

Up to 1879 the British army branded with gunpowder the letter "D" on apprehended deserters.—Collier's Weekly.

Advertise it in the Chronicle.

Chronicle Liners

RATES—Liner of 25 words or less, 25 cents each insertion. Over 25 words, one cent a word for each insertion.

WANT TO BUY White Ash logs. L. B. Deming, Caro, Michigan. 12-25-2p.

I WILL BE at the Cass City State Bank, Dec. 19 and Jan. 2, and the Deford Bank, Dec. 26 and Jan. 9, to collect taxes for Novesta township. Elmer Webster, treasurer. 12-18-2

JUDGE JOSEPH Sabath, "world's champion divorce judge," tells how to keep your marriage a happy and successful one! Read his article, "Have Faith in Marriage." It appears in This Week, the color magazine with next Sunday's Detroit News.

CASH-PAID for cream at Kenney's, Cass City.

STRAYED SUNDAY, a beagle hound, black and white, female, from Section 12, Novesta. S. J. Moore. 12-25-1p

LOST—Schaefer fountain pen of green color. Finder kindly leave same at Chronicle office. 12-25-1

100-ACRE FARM, known as Guy Sweet Estate, Sec. 36, Novesta township, Tuscola county, for sale. Nine-room brick veneer house, full basement with furnace; two good barns; good out-buildings; two drive wells; well fenced. Must be sold to settle estate. Price, \$5,000. J. H. Pringle, Administrator, Deford. 9-11-tf.

WANT TO HIRE a man with truck to draw logs. S. T. Copeland, 7 1/2 east, 1 south of Cass City. 12-25-1p.

WHEN YOU have livestock for sale, call Grant Patterson, Cass City. Phone 32. 6-19-tf

FOR SALE—Eating potatoes, dug before the frost. T. C. Park, 5 1/2 miles west of Cass City. 12-25-1p.

FOR SALE—Black horse, or will trade for cow. Joseph Kuchta, 1 north, 1/2 west of Gagetown. 12-18-2p.

FOR SALE—Two 22/38 International threshers, one 28/48 Avery thresher, one 28/46 Port Huron thresher, two 35/54 Port Huron threshers, one 19 HP Port Huron engine. The John Goodison Thresher Company, Inc., Port Huron. 10-9-tf

APPLES, 60 cents a bushel and up. Spies, Baldwins, Greenings, Wagners, Steele's Reds, etc. C. W. Heller. 12-18-

WANTED—150 old horses for fox feed. Must be alive. Otto Monte, Fairgrove. Caro Phone 954-R-5. 11-8-tf

FOR SALE—Milking type Short-horn bulls, from 2 to 15 months old, sired by Chief Senator G, son of Brookside Red Chief. MacPherson Bros., Rt. 1, Marlette, Michigan. Phone, Marlette 222-R-2. 12-25-1p

STRAYED to my farm 5 miles southwest of Cass City, a red steer. Owner may have same by paying expenses. Leo Hall. 12-25-1p.

VITA BRAND Cod Liver Oil for Sale. We carry the Jamesway poultry equipment: Feeders, waterers, nests, brooder stoves, etc. Phone 15. Elkland Roller Mills. 12-18-4.

GET OUR prices on Unionville and Pocahontas coal delivered to your bin. Reverse phone charges, number 39. John F. Fournier, Gagetown, Mich. 8-14-tf

WE WILL have a car of "Cavalier" coal (lump) Dec. 28 (next Monday). Order now to be delivered off car. Phone 15. Elkland Roller Mills. 12-25-1

FOR SALE—Jersey cow, fresh, 5 years old, and a 4-year-old Holstein cow, fresh. Ernest Beardsley. Phone 98-F-13. 12-25-1p

FOR SALE—Two six-year-old Holstein cows, due Dec. 27 and Feb. 1. Inquire of David Murphy, 5 miles north and 1 1/2 east of Cass City. 12-25-1

ATTENTION, Farmers! The original company to pay for dead and disabled stock is now paying: Horses, \$4.00; cattle, \$3.00; hogs, sheep and calves accordingly. Prompt service. Power loading trucks. Phone collect to Millenbach Bros. Co. Saginaw 23821 or Sandusky 62. 9-18-26p

GIRL or middle aged woman wanted for general housework. Mrs. Francis McDonald, 1 west, 3 north of Cass City. 12-25-1p

FOR SALE—40 tons of silage and about 150 bushels of sugar mangels. Rolland Bruce, 6 miles south of Cass City. 12-25-2p

ATTENTION, Trappers—We are in the market for furs and hides. Highest prices paid. No matter where you live, it will pay you to bring your furs and hides to us. See Eddie before you sell. Caro Auto Parts Co., Caro. 11-27-5

FOR SALE—Ice plow, nearly new; also ice saw and tongs. Kenney's Creamery, Cass City, Mich. 12-4-tf.

FOR SALE—My Chevrolet coupe in tip-top condition. Cash only and a bargain. Priced reasonably. Mrs. J. D. Brooker. 12-25-1p

FOR SALE—Durham cow, fresh. Albert Frederick, 3 east, 2 north of Cass City. 12-25-1p

GIVE A CASS Motor Sales Used Car for Christmas—Coaches: '36 Oldsmobile, '33 Oldsmobile, '35 Dodge, '30 Pontiac, '30 Ford, '28 Chevrolet, '29 Chevrolet, '28 Buick, '29 Essex. Sedans: '28 Chevrolet, '28 Studebaker. Phone 232. 12-25-1

FOR SALE—Geese, fancy dressed geese for that Christmas dinner. Phone Mrs. David Matthews, 130-F-5. 12-18-2

THERE ARE no words to express our appreciation for the many kindnesses shown us by the doctors, nurses and friends during my illness so we will just say "Thanks." Floyd Karr and Family.

I AM in the market for all kinds of junk. Will pay special prices for Christmas trade. Market for iron, rags, batteries, radiators, copper, brass, and aluminum. Abraham Kline, located half block north of Elkland Roller Mills. 12-11-tf

PHONE 15 and order a load of that good "Cavalier" coal. We will have another car Dec. 28, (next Monday). You can save by having your coal delivered off car. Elkland Roller Mills. 12-25-1.

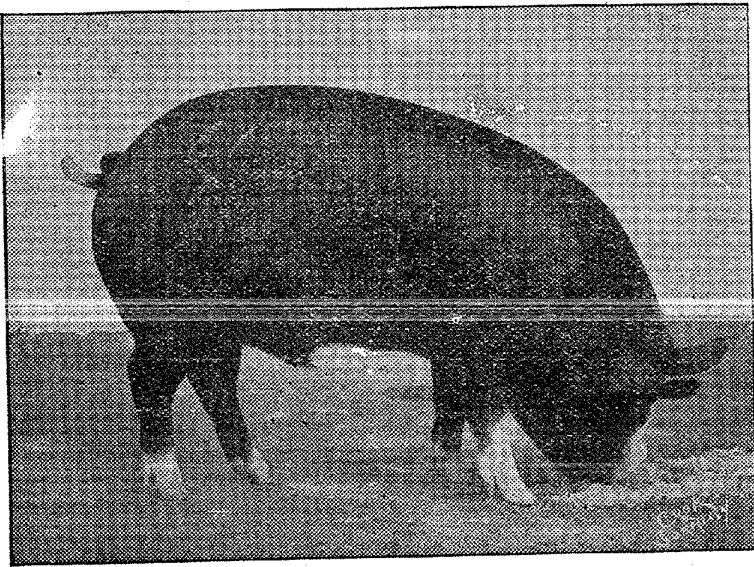
FOUND—Lady's brown glove with small amount of change inside. Owner may have same by paying for this ad. Cass City Chronicle. 12-25-1.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS that the

SUBSCRIBER IS IRRITATED OVER THE RONG DATE

The printers changed the date lines on every page of last week's Chronicle except the one on page one and that read "December 11," the same as appeared the previous week. One of our readers who noticed the error took occasion to mail the following "kiddie" on a postal card:

Dere paper man:
i am riting this to come—plain, why for do you send me a weak old paper? on the 18 day hear I get the 11 paper. i want for to have this weak's knews—not whitich comes from the 11. if you don't stop triing to swindell me I wont pay you eny moore.
A SUBSKRIBER.



PORK CHOPS—\$2.50 PER POUND?

Pork chops from "Penn's Ben," 280 pound Berkshire shown to the grand championship over all breeds in the market hog classes at the recent International Live Stock Exposition, Chicago, would cost \$2.50 per pound at the present ratio of retail to live hog prices. This Berkshire barrow was sold to the Brevoort Hotel, Chicago, by its exhibitors, The Pennsylvania State College, for 70c per pound live weight, the highest price on record at that exposition. Berkshire bred barrows won five of the six interbreed championships as individuals and groups at this the greatest of all fat stock shows in the world.

Berkshires Sweep Market Hog Classes at the International

Winning five out of six interbreed championships over all breeds, Berkshires set an all time record at the recent "International Live Stock Exposition" held at the Union Stock Yards, Chicago, according to information received by Willis Campbell, local club advisor.

The championship in the individual class was won by a 280 pound barrow exhibited by the Pennsylvania State College, as was also the Sweepstakes Ten Head of barrows class. In the carcass class Berkshires were picked by the judges as yielding the finest pork of all hogs, when they won both single and ten head classes again.

In the carload class Berkshire sired barrows won for the second year in succession, and completed a long list of championships in the past two years at leading shows from coast to coast. In commenting on this class Judge Ellis, head buyer for a leading Chicago packing firm, said that their superior killing quality was the deciding factor. It had been their experience that market hogs carrying Berkshire blood gave a more valuable product to the packer.

Judge Sinex, buyer for Cudahy Packing company, declared the individual champion barrow the ideal market hog for which market men had been looking for. It was his opinion that although this champion weighed 280 pounds the day shown, that he would have taken on a market finish at any weight from 200 pounds up. He sold to the Brevoort Hotel, Chicago, for 70c per pound, a record price.

Mr. Campbell points out that these sensational winnings justify the recent swing to Berkshires which is under way in all hog raising sections. According to the records of the Springfield, Illinois, office, the Berkshire population of the country as a whole has doubled in the past year.

Claud Mitchell, now secretary of the national Berkshire association, was formerly a resident of Evergreen township and attended high school at Cass City. He was a member of the 4-H club here. Floyd Kennedy of Evergreen township and a member of the Cass City Live Stock club exhibited the champion barrow, a Berkshire, at the Michigan State fair in September last. Mitchell was president of the National Swine show in Springfield, Illinois, in 1936.

DEFORD

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Sherwood spent Sunday at Pontiac.

Rudolf Jankos has obtained work in an automobile plant at Flint.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Elder and father, Warren Churchill, spent Friday and Saturday at Mancelona.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kilgore were Tuesday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Scott Kelley of Mayville.

Mrs. Paul Koeltzow and Mrs. Melvin Phillips spent Monday at Saginaw.

Clarence Stockwell, Edwin Dodge and Arthur Roach spent Sunday at the Frutchey hunting lodge near Alpena.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Retherford will entertain on Christmas Day, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Smith of Leonidas.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Bruce and E. R. Bruce were guests from Saturday until Monday of Rev. and Mrs. R. J. Devine at Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Zemke will have as guests Christmas Day, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Behr of Argyle, Mr. and Mrs. Watson and Mr. and Mrs. David Palmer of Port Huron.

Two accidents occurred during the week. Mrs. Wells Spencer suffered a broken ankle. Mrs. Howard Malcolm slipped on snow-covered ice and a bone was broken at the wrist. Mrs. Nellie Lester is staying with her.

Mr. and Mrs. John Walk entertained during the week, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Frankford and Mr. and

Mrs. Earl McNish of Postoria and Mrs. Isaac Furlough of Johannesburg.

The Farmers' club for December was entertained for dinner on Friday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William D'Arcy. About 40 were present. The program was much enjoyed. A vocal duet was given by Mrs. Elton Lyons and Mrs. Lloyd Howey. Vocal duet, Mrs. Walter Kelley and Harley Kelley. Poem, Mrs. Dodge of Cass City. Short talks about Christmas, Howard Retherford, Christmas story by Rev. George B. Marsh. The annual election of officers resulted in election of Charles Kilgore, president; Harley Kelley, vice president; Mrs. Thomas Colwell, secretary-treasurer; program committee, Mrs. Blanche Kelley.

NOVESTA.

Merry Christmas!

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Young of Elkton were Sunday company at the John Stinemann home.

Miss Claudine Peasley, who is attending high school at Detroit, is home to spend the holidays at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Peasley.

Mrs. Charles Cunningham visited Mrs. A. H. Henderson and Mrs. A. J. Pratt on Friday afternoon.

Michael Lenard of Flint spent the week-end at his farm home here.

George McArthur is in poor health at this writing. Audley and Lewis Horner are the owners of a new Chevrolet semi-trailer truck.

The Church of Christ will have a Christmas tree and short program on Sunday at 10:30 a. m.

PEACE ABOVE PROFITS MUST BE U. S. AIM

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would be increased by some forty billion dollars.

The Americas are creating an "area of peace" based upon the principles of consultation, he said, to be used as a model for the rest of the world. We who are secure from invasion should take the lead in the movement for peace, and with this policy in view, the National Council for the Prevention of War supports the following six-point program:

1. National defense policy based upon defense of our soil from invasion, not from our interests abroad.
2. Easing of international tension and the stabilization of currencies.
3. Stronger neutrality legislation including embargoes on basic war materials.
4. International cooperation in the settlement of disputes by peaceful means in accordance with the principles of the Kellogg peace pact.
5. Nationalization of the munitions industry, and taxing the profits out of war.
6. Watchful maintenance of the constitutional guarantees of the freedom of speech, press, and assembly.

HOSPITAL NOTES.

Mrs. Arthur Wilson was able to leave the hospital Thursday for her home at Port Austin. George Schomberger of Deford was able to leave on Saturday. Mrs. Chris Schwaderer was taken home Friday afternoon.

Waclaw Chmielewski of Cass City and Adrian Allard of Detroit are still patients at the hospital.

Miss Alice Dalton was admitted Thursday and was able to be taken home Friday.

Mrs. Howard Blades of Cass City entered Friday afternoon for medical care and was taken home Sunday.

Mrs. Alden Field of Decker was admitted Friday evening and a son was born Saturday morning.

Atlantic Coast Cooler
The Atlantic Coast is generally somewhat cooler than the Pacific Coast because of its greater rainfall and cloudiness.

Santa Comes Marching Home

BY
ALICE B.
PALMER

GREAT preparations were in progress for the annual Christmas reunion at the Thomas home in Glendale. Lauris was decorating the living room with streamers of red and green and hanging bells and mistletoe above the doors. The holly wreaths were already hung and father had arranged the colored lights on the evergreens in the front yard the night before.

"Will be home for Christmas."

"Johnny"

Mother had proudly read the telegram aloud to the family and all were simply bursting with holiday enthusiasm, for Johnny was really coming home.

All was hustle and bustle in the kitchen of fragrant odors. Mother was wholly surrounded by delicious sour cream cookies which she was busily tinting in the Christmas colors of red and green. The refreshing aroma of the traditional cardamom seed and of the spices, was most pleasing. Even little Tim was



Johnny Stood, Aghast, Taking in the Whole Situation.

privileged to aid in this glorious Christmas preparation.

When things were well on their way toward completion, mother sent the children into the living room. "I want you to pack all the gifts in that large box the grocer brought," said mother, "and wrap that holly paper around it so it will look more Christmas-like."

"All right mother," they shouted, in a chorus of happy voices, as they scampered in. They had glorious fun amongst the gifts slyly peeping beneath the sides of the gaily colored wrappers and feeling to try and guess the contents. Mother chuckled within as she heard the merry peal of laughter and happy confusion.

"Soon now, my children," said father, "we shall hear the train whistle which is to bring our Johnny home."

Johnny had mentioned that he did not wish to be met at the station and his desires had been duly respected.

Instead of a train whistle, they heard the loud roaring and buzzing of an airplane.

"Oh, I bet Johnny is coming by plane," shouted Lauris.

"I just bet he is, too," cried Tim, all excited.

"I wouldn't be surprised," grinned father, knowingly.

There was a rush to the frosted window to see if anything was in sight.

"Oh, mother, look at poor old Mrs. Johnson sitting all alone over there in her window seat. Doesn't she look lonesome though?" said Bonny Jean.

"Let's invite her over for the evening," suggested mother. "She was telling me the other day that her son, Joseph, would not be home for Christmas."

"Yes, let's," they all chimed in, beaming with the Christmas spirit.

"That's a very fine idea," agreed father, smiling kindly. "You run over, Tim, my boy, and ask her if she would care to join us."

"Oh boy," shouted little Tim, chuckling at the opportunity of getting out to throw a snowball.

Some moments later, the dear little lady was in their midst, smiling her gratitude toward each one of them.

"It was kind of you to offer to share your Christmas with me," she said. "It has been pretty lonely this year without my boy."

Just then the door burst open and in stepped Santa Claus. The children almost wrecked him in their excitement. He dropped his heavy pack and shouted, "Merry Christmas," with all the strength and energy he possessed.

Mother couldn't stand the suspense another moment. She tore off his mask and hugged and kissed him hungrily.

Johnny stood, aghast, taking in the whole beautiful situation. The brilliantly lighted tree, the star of Bethlehem gleaming at its peak and little Tim jingling a rope of sleighbells all in his honor.

But the best was yet to come, for he opened the door and in stepped a tall, handsome soldier, his face flushed with a happy holiday smile, his garments covered with the Christmas snow.

"Hello mother," he said, as he rushed into the out-stretched arms of the smiling Mrs. Johnson.

After all questions had been satisfactorily answered, Lauris began singing at the top of her voice, "When Santa Comes Marching Home." The others sensing the grand idea, joined in with a jolly good spirit of fun, in the combined Christmas reunion.

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Ball and Socket Joint
The hip joint is a ball and socket joint between the head of the femur and a depression in the bones which comprise the pelvis.

Hawaiians Once Astronomers
The ancient Hawaiians are said to have had names for 1,200 of the stars, qualifying among America's earliest astronomers.

Early Distillers
The Chinese distilled liquor long before the Christian era and "arak" was made in India as early as 800 B. C.

Love Honor and Obey



A Merry Christmas and a Joyous New Year

Pinney State Bank

Michigan Associated Telephone Company

extends to you a very Merry Christmas and the hope that each day thereafter will be just as merry ... just as full of good cheer as this day ... greatest of the year.

Ask your operator about reduced Christmas phone rates.

Cass City Oil and Gas Co.'s Good Wishes to You

- 1—May thy electric service never fail thee.
- 2—May thy electric washer never burn out a fuse nor thy electric iron scorch thy linens.
- 3—May thy refrigerator never fail thee, and may it always be filled to overflowing with the good things God has bestowed on us.
- 4—May thy coal bin never be empty.
- 5—May thy stocks soar to new heights and may thy investments pay big dividends.
- 6—May thy golf be improved and the big fishes grab thy hook.
- 7—May thy motor never stall and thy tires be void of blowouts on the open road.
- 8—May thy wonderful children be immune from the ravages of measles, mumps and kindred ills, and may thy household be blessed with happiness.
- 9—May thy radio never go static so that thou may enjoy the world's entertainment.
- 10—And because we count thee among those we call friend

WE WISH THEE A RIGHT MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY
AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

Cass City Oil and Gas Co.

STANLEY ASHER, Manager

PHONE 25

Merry Christmas
to
YOU
and
YOURS
from
MAC'S
STANDARD
SERVICE
with a
"Thank You"
for
Mac's Best
CHRISTMAS
SEASON

1936
Merry Christmas
A Christmas Message of
Good Will and Best
Wishes for your Prosperity and Happiness.

**Heller's
Bakery**



To greet you at
This cheery season
with all
Good wishes
For your happiness.

**Marie's Beauty
Shoppe**

Twila Green, Owner

RURAL SCHOOLS

Sharrard School.
Teacher, Miss Agnes A. MacLachlan.
Reporters, Fred Cooley and Edward Wiechert.
The boys painted jars for their mothers' Christmas presents. The girls sewed holders for their mothers' Christmas presents. The boys and girls made match scratchers for their fathers' Christmas presents.

The door of the school house has been repaired.
Some of the boys and girls are going to attend the community tree at Owendale.
We received some very nice gifts from Santa Claus at our school program.
We received an invitation to the Greenwood school program.



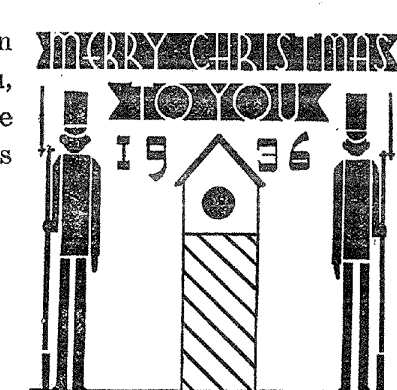
Our Best Wishes
for 1936

MERRY CHRISTMAS

To thank you for past kindnesses
and to wish you again the
Season's Compliments.

Maier's Studio

May this Christmas Season
bring all happiness to you,
And all your castles in the
air and all your dreams
come true.



**Asher's
Garage**


CASS CITY



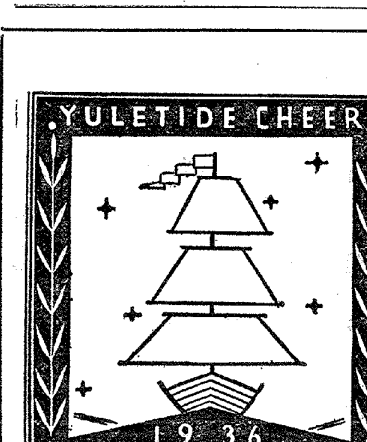
The same old greeting but
with renewed sincerity,
"Merry Christmas and
Abundant Happiness."

**BARKLEY
MOTOR SALES**

Wishing you
In the heartiest way
A very happy holiday
For you and your family.




**Young and
Maier**



Joy as ever
In the same old way
With hearty wishes for
A Happy Christmas.

**Farson's
Restaurant**

Straight from the heart—
Comes our Christmas
greeting to you and all our
friends.



G. B. Dupuis

CASS CITY

Josephine Zaleski received a spelling certificate this week.

Those on the honor roll this month are Fred and John Cooley, Marion King, Albertus Kipfer, Eva Kipfer, Aileen Kirby, Genevieve Miljure, Marie Rolph, Onaltee Rolph, Iva Dell Stockle and Bernard and Edward Wiechert.

Those neither tardy nor absent this month are Fred and John Cooley, Edward and Eva King, Albertus, Robert and Eva Kipfer, Aileen Kirby, Alice, Bernard and Edward Wiechert, and Lloyd Wolfe.

Rescue School.
Teacher, Catherine MacLachlan.
We have our Christmas tree up and are decorating it. The eighth grade boys got it for us. The lower grades made decorations for the tree. Our program was held on Wednesday, the 23rd.
Sylvia and Nelson Fay are still absent with whooping cough.
Eighth grade are making civics notebooks and seventh grade are making geography notebooks.
We have started to use our new spelling pads.

SHABBONA.
George Connell left Friday night for Detroit where he will spend the Christmas holidays with his daughter, Mrs. Kenneth Agar.
Miss Mabel Auslander left Sunday to spend this week with her sister, Mrs. Andrew Hern, of Flint.
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Meredith and Mrs. Sam Robinson visited Jacob Meredith, who is very ill, in his home in Detroit, Saturday.
Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Agar of Detroit visited at the Paul Auslander home Friday night.
Donald Cameron of California, Jim Cameron of Jackson, Alex Cameron of Rochester and Miss Kate Cameron of Sandusky were callers at the B. F. Phetteplace home Saturday.
Mr. and Mrs. Burt Chard and Mr. and Mrs. Vern Nichol visited relatives in Port Huron Saturday.

Christmas Guests—
Mr. and Mrs. Clark Auslander and son of Flint will be Christmas Day guests of Mrs. Auslander's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William LePla.
Mr. and Mrs. William Waun will entertain their family and Mrs. William Waun, Sr., of Snover on Christmas Day.
Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Hyatt will have as guests on Christmas Day, Mr. and Mrs. William Hampton and son and Misses Wilma and Carolyn Hyatt, all of Pontiac.
Mr. and Mrs. Claud Kirkpatrick will entertain on Christmas Day, their family, Mr. and Mrs. Al Smith and son, William Patrick, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Miller of Detroit, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Kirkpatrick and George Kirkpatrick of Port Huron and Mr. and Mrs. William Freese of Flint.

Christmas Day guests at the Lewis Travis home will be Mr. and Mrs. Norman Kritzman and family of Detroit, Miss Vera Hirsch of Pontiac, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hirsch and family and Mr. and Mrs. Andy Hoagg and family.
Mr. and Mrs. Herman Jess of Sandusky will spend Christmas Day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Cook.
William Phetteplace will spend Christmas Day with his family in Port Huron.
Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Furness will spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Furness, at Elkton.
Mr. and Mrs. Vern Nichol will entertain on Christmas Day, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Chard and daughter and Fred Nichol of Port Huron and Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Phetteplace.
Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Neville will spend Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Brennan in Detroit.
Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Phetteplace and family will go to Sparlingville to the home of their daughter, Mrs. Arthur Sass, on Christmas Day.

ELLINGTON AND NOVESTA.
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Parrott will enjoy Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Parrott at Bad Axe.
Mr. and Mrs. Clair Tuckey entertained for dinner Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Luke Tuckey and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Tuckey and daughter, Gladys. Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Moore, Jr., of Kingston were afternoon callers.
Mr. and Mrs. Mack Little and family will spend Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Turner.
Mr. and Mrs. William Parrott and family expect to spend Christmas with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McCulloch, at Beaverton.
A daughter, Marie Alice, was born Dec. 16, to Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Procure, at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Hall.
Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gingrich and sons and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Enderbe will enjoy Christmas and Saturday with relatives in Detroit.
Mrs. William Parrott and sons were business callers in Saginaw on Monday.
D. E. Turner and Cressy Steele

Schedule of Games.
January.
4, Kirton vs. Krug.
5, Knapp vs. Wallace.
6, Kelly vs. Starmann.
7, Landon vs. McCullough.
8, Reid vs. Parsch.
11, Krug vs. Parsch.
12, Kirton vs. Knapp.
13, Landon vs. Starmann.
14, McCullough vs. Wallace.
15, Kelly vs. Reid.
18, Krug vs. Knapp.
19, Kelly vs. Wallace.
20, Kirton vs. Landon.
21, McCullough vs. Parsch.
22, Starmann vs. Reid.
25, Krug vs. Landon.
26, Knapp vs. Parsch.
27, McCullough vs. Reid.
28, Kirton vs. Kelly.
29, Wallace vs. Starmann.

February.
1, Krug vs. Kelly.
2, Kirton vs. McCullough.
3, Knapp vs. Landon.
4, Starmann vs. Parsch.
5, Reid vs. Wallace.
8, Kirton vs. Starmann.
9, Krug vs. McCullough.
10, Knapp vs. Kelly.
11, Landon vs. Reid.
12, Wallace vs. Parsch.
15, Krug vs. Starmann.
16, Kirton vs. Reid.
17, Knapp vs. McCullough.
18, Kelly vs. Parsch.
19, Landon vs. Wallace.
22, Kelly vs. McCullough.
23, Kirton vs. Wallace.
24, Krug vs. Reid.
25, Knapp vs. Starmann.
26, Landon vs. Parsch.

March.
1, Kirton vs. Parsch.
2, Krug vs. Wallace.
3, Knapp vs. Reid.
4, Landon vs. Kelly.
5, McCullough vs. Starmann.
8, Krug vs. Kirton.
9, Wallace vs. Knapp.
10, McCullough vs. Landon.
11, Starmann vs. Kelly.
12, Parsch vs. Reid.
15, Parsch vs. Krug.
16, Knapp vs. Kirton.
17, Starmann vs. Landon.
18, Wallace vs. McCullough.
19, Reid vs. Kelly.
22, Knapp vs. Krug.
23, Wallace vs. Kelly.
24, Landon vs. Kirton.
25, Parsch vs. McCullough.
26, Reid vs. Starmann.
29, Landon vs. Krug.
30, Parsch vs. Knapp.
31, Reid vs. McCullough.

April.
1, Kelly vs. Kirton.
2, Starmann vs. Wallace.
5, Kelly vs. Krug.
6, McCullough vs. Kirton.
7, Landon vs. Knapp.
8, Parsch vs. Starmann.
9, Wallace vs. Reid.
12, Starmann vs. Kirton.
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27, Wallace vs. Kirton.
28, Reid vs. Krug.
29, Starmann vs. Knapp.
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May.
3, Kirton vs. Parsch.
4, Krug vs. Wallace.
5, Knapp vs. Reid.
6, Landon vs. Kelly.
7, McCullough vs. Starmann.

LEGAL
Notice of Hearing Claims Before Court.—State of Michigan, the Probate Court for the County of Tuscola.
In the matter of the Estate of William O. Stafford, Deceased.
Notice is hereby given that four months from the 15th day of December, A. D. 1936, have been allowed for creditors to present their claims against said deceased to said court for examination and adjustment, and that all creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said court, at the probate office, in the Village of Caro, in said county, on or before the 17th day of April, A. D. 1937, and that said claims will be heard by said court on Saturday, the 17th day of April, A. D. 1937, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.
Dated December 15, A. D. 1936.
H. WALTER COOPER, Judge of Probate.

BOWLERS BANQUET AT HOTEL GORDON
Concluded from first page.
and would not give them back.
New talent as after dinner speaking was discovered in the following men who were eager to relate incidents which had arisen during the encounters. They were "Gutter Ball" Kirton, "Tangle Foot" Deering, "Statue of Liberty" Knapp, "Willing Worker" Croft, and "Knock 'em Dead" Douglas.
Following are the teams' roster of players for the early months of 1937:
No. 1—Parsch, captain, Novak, Deering, Ottaway and Tate.
No. 2—Wallace, captain, Keppen, Graham, Skinner and C. Burt.
No. 3—Reid, captain, Douglas, Croft, Milligan and Auten.
No. 4—Starmann, captain, Fritz, Gross, E. Secord and S. Striffler.
No. 5—G. McCullough, captain, Mann Coleman, MacLachlan and Prieskorn.
No. 6—Kelly, captain, Dillman, Haven, Diaz and Fleenor.
No. 7—Landon, captain, Wilson, Asher, Wood and Law.
No. 8—Knapp, captain, Retherford, Townsend, B. Benkelman and K. McConkey.
No. 9—Krug, captain, Pinney, Schenck, Atwell and D. Benkelman.
No. 10—Kirton, captain, Kilbourn, D. Youngs, R. McCullough and Molnar.

Order for Publication.—Determination of Heirs.—State of Michigan, the Probate Court for the County of Tuscola.
At a session of said court, held at the Probate Office, in the Village of Caro, in said county, on the 10th day of December, A. D. 1936.
Present: Hon. H. Walter Cooper, Judge of Probate.
In the matter of the Estate of Charles Hall, Deceased.
Frank H. Hall, having filed in said court his petition praying that said court adjudicate and determine who were at the time of his death the legal heirs of said deceased and entitled to inherit the real estate of which said deceased died seized, It is ordered, that the 11th day of January, A. D. 1937, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.
It is further ordered, that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Cass City Chronicle, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.
H. WALTER COOPER, Judge of Probate.
A true copy.
Almon C. Pierce, Register of Probate.


Notice of Mortgage Sale.
Default having been made in the conditions of that certain mortgage dated the twenty-ninth day of January, 1926, executed by William Jeneraux and Bertha E. Jeneraux, as his wife and in her own right, as mortgagors, to The Federal Land Bank of Saint Paul, a body corporate, of St. Paul, Minnesota, as mortgagee, filed for record in the office of the Register of Deeds of Tuscola County, Michigan, on the third day of February, 1926, recorded in Liber 157 of Mortgages on Pages 255 and 256 thereof.
Notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed, pursuant to power of sale, and the premises therein described as:
The East Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section Twenty-seven, Township Thirteen North, Range Eleven East; lying within said County and State, will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder for cash by the Sheriff of Tuscola County, at the front door of the Court House, in the City of Caro, in said County and State, on Tuesday, March sixteen, 1937, at two o'clock P. M. There is due and payable at the date of this notice upon the debt secured by said mortgage, the sum of \$3105.11.
Dated December twelfth, 1936.
THE FEDERAL LAND BANK OF SAINT PAUL, Mortgagee.
W. S. Rundell, Attorney for the Mortgagee, Vassar, Michigan.
12-18-36.



Even as the Spirit of Good Will is increased at Christmas Time so may our associations grow in mutual accord and confidence.

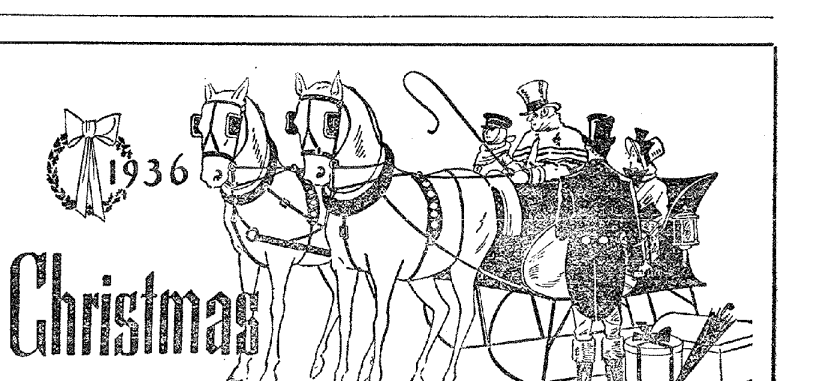


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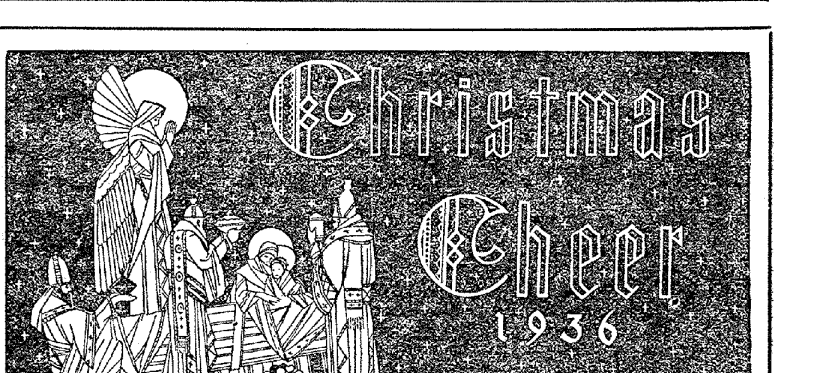
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The Stranger at the Gate

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THE STORY

CHAPTER I—Christmas of 1913 is only eight days away. Ira Vance and his wife are waiting wistfully for a reply to their letter inviting their son, Emery, his wife, Eleanor, and their children, Tommy, eight, and Bess, five, to the House in the Glen for Christmas. Emery, a self-made executive in a big city, has not been home in five years. The elder Vance, made infirm by business reverses and an accident, works on inventions dismissed by Emery as "toys." The Vances are grieved that Emery neglects them. Vance says that Eleanor has a hunger bred of loneliness on her face. The maid returns without a letter from Emery. Ira tells his wife to write three special delivery letters, one to Emery hinting that at last he has invented something successful, one to Eleanor urging her to come, and one to little Tommy and Bess.

CHAPTER II—Mrs. Vance's first letter has lain unopened on Emery's desk, but Kitty Mack, his secretary, brings it to his attention along with another personal letter. He opens the latter, finding it is from a boyhood friend, Philip Knox, who says he is sending a friend, Dr. Amunde, to visit the Vances' home at Christmas. Emery is annoyed and determines to head The Stranger off. At lunch, he sees a news item about the meeting of his company's directors, indicating there is dissatisfaction with his management. Then he overhears two of the directors, lunching nearby, discussing his one-man dictatorial management disparagingly. One of them speaks of Vance's neglect of Eleanor. Back at the office, he attempts to write to Knox, but learns that The Stranger is already on his way. Then he reads his mother's second letter, absorbed in work he looks up and sees a man standing opposite him who says, "I am The Stranger sent to your gates."

CHAPTER III—Vance is surprised to find he is friendly to The Stranger. An inquiry is received concerning Bess, a draftsman whom Vance had unjustly discharged. He gives an unfavorable report on the man. The special delivery letter from his mother, Philip Knox, Eleanor phones, urging Vance to come home to dinner; tells him to bring The Stranger and discussing the letters from home, pleads with him to go to his parents. He says he cannot leave the city Christmas. On the way home, Emery tells The Stranger that he takes little stock in Christmas. Greeting The Stranger, Eleanor finds that he brings peace to her mind.

CHAPTER IV—Will Darrow, a young artist friend of the family, arrives. Eleanor and Emery learn from the children that their nurse's sister is ill with scarlet fever. Since there is danger of exposure, the doctor suggests that Tommy and Bess be sent away for several weeks. Vance then decides they will go to the Glen. Eleanor will take the children the next day and return to the city to go back to work. Later there is a painful scene when Eleanor is forced to go to a party with Darrow when Emery refuses to go.

CHAPTER V—At the House in the Glen there is joyful expectation over the arrival of the children. Eleanor and the children are greeted warmly. When Elizabeth Vance looks into her daughter-in-law's eyes she sees an unhappiness that Eleanor seeks in vain to hide.

At eleven o'clock Eli drove White-face up the Glen toward Westover, the rockaway filled with wraps, hot foot-stones and what-not, then waiting, the hardest work of the morning, began. For the first time that day grandmother began to fuss. She pulled the shades in the living room this way and then that to get the best possible light upon Emery's portrait over the mantel shelf. She tried the carpet rug in front of the fire and then decided that the oval one of gay-hued braided rugs was the most in keeping with the old-time chairs. Twice in an hour she went up to Tommy's room to look for possible omissions, on the second trip, finding that the latch of a door leading from beside the bed down a pair of long unused back stairs was loose. She had

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started for hammer and nails to fasten it securely. Just at that moment Hepsy, who had gone to the little fan-shaped window in the attic peak, rushed down calling: "They're coming, they've crossed the open by the lower bridge and by now they'll be up by Twin ponds," then whisked into the kitchen to put the final touches to the dinner, such as browning the chicken gravy and adding to it exactly the right amount of carefully prepared giblets.

Grandfather started forward, hitching his chair along until he could command the little side window by the chimney. But grandmother looked in as it were, instead of out, standing by the hearth, one hand grasping the mantel shelf; her breath came quickly and she swallowed as if choking. Then crossing to her husband she knelt beside him, clasping her hands about his.

A draught from the outer door which Hepsy threw open sent the flames on the log fire leaping up-



She Knelt Beside Him, Clasping Her Hands About His.

ward with a roar. "Here they are! Best put on your long cape, Miss Vance, it is on the rack," then with unusual shyness she fled to the kitchen.

"Grandmother, I've brought my dearest dollies so that they shouldn't have the red fever and have to go away in the ambulance," chirped Bess, drawing the two beloved but much worse-for-wear children into the embrace in which she herself was held.

"Grandfather, I want to see the axe that belonged to my father that grandmother promised I should cut down the Christmas tree with," shouted Tommy, having taken the icy bit of path between gate and step in one long joyous slide.

Eleanor followed more slowly, as if the ground she was covering meant more to her than the mere stepping of it; in truth, though she could not know it, she was that day crossing the Bridge of Decision.

Very slender she looked even in her heavy fur-trimmed coat, very lovely her golden-brown hair under the close velvet hat. The drive had given her the bright color of her girlhood, but in spite of all she had, of the two children who returned to meet her after their first burst of enthusiasm at having arrived, the moment that Elizabeth looked into her daughter-in-law's eyes, she saw therein an unhappiness that Eleanor sought in vain to hide. A hunger that money, luxury or mere lack of responsibility could not satisfy but rather deepened.

"At last!" said Elizabeth, helping Ira forward and scarcely trusting herself to speak.

"May I call you mother?" asked Eleanor, holding out both hands. "It is a word I have never before spoken for myself."

CHAPTER VI

When Eleanor Vance returned to New York after the day and night spent at the House in the Glen, she brought with her the sense of refreshment of body and mind born of a new point of view.

Eleanor, arriving in the late afternoon, entered her apartment with something of the newly awakened curiosity of a stranger, instead of the familiarity of the mistress who had left it only twenty-four hours before. Yet the curiosity was very natural for in that brief time she had found an entirely new scale of comparison. At The Glen she had been welcomed to a home where everything in its structure, furnishings and customs had a life history. This home made a background for the house-mother and father that was inseparable from themselves and was tinged through and through with their dual tastes and personality. On the other hand though the apartment owned and occupied by the Vances was luxurious in size, fittings and modern conveniences, its bareness of meaning, the lack of personal things that are as intimate as one's best friends, was the first thought that came to Eleanor, when the maid brought the tea tray to the living room, and placed it upon the carved teakwood stand without word or comment of any sort.

She drew near to the fire, gazed at it fixedly, holding her cup of tea upon her knees. Eleanor had not been much given to formulating comparisons, but the difference was

forced in upon her between the log-fire blazing in the well-smoked chimney of the House in the Glen, sending floods of the stored warmth into the room, and this poor counterfeit with its unvarying flicker framed in a Mexican onyx fire-place. Were not these two fires the symbols of the old and the new homemaking? Personal labor, personal service, and for a reward keen personal satisfaction, as against a mere press the button glancing touch of things, no labor, no responsibility and no real satisfaction?

How charmingly Ira Vance had told the story of his hearth fire, as he fed it with the juicy white-pine cones that he held in the long iron tongs lest the flame-tongues should eat them too greedily. Every log held its own meaning for him and possessed a different temperament, so that he spoke of them as of people.

Eleanor had never before realized that the man could take an equal interest with the woman in the details of his home, and by the quiet steady force of his approval fill his wife's most prosaic tasks with warm-blooded interest. It seemed to her that there was nothing that Elizabeth did or liked that escaped her husband's notice, no service too small to merit, if not spoken words, at least the recognition of a loving glance. But then there were few women like Elizabeth.

"If my mother had lived I should have understood these things better," Eleanor whispered, the silence becoming too oppressive. Yet these were Emery's parents toward whom she was leaning, could he love as his father loved Elizabeth? There were so many things that she did not understand, chief among them being herself as she was today, in comparison with what she had been five years ago.

Eleanor did not realize that as the soil in which her love was rooted had gradually grown shallow so had her ideals. The untouched tea grew quite cold, and the maid, who came to take away the tray, gave a reproachful glance at her mistress, as one who had put her to unnecessary trouble.

Presently Eleanor, starting up, looked at the clock, which began to chime five. "I'll try it," she said as she went to her room. Going to a chest of drawers, after much deliberation she selected a gown from among some things that had been long put away and smelled of camphor. It was a sort of tea gown of pale blue, draped skillfully and caught in with ribbons—a graceful garment, its art not discounted by time. Adjusting this, she picked up a photograph case that stood on her bureau. In it were two pictures, a man and a woman—Emery and herself. Carefully noting the few ornaments that she had worn, she selected their counterparts from her drawer.

With heart beating wildly, she returned to the living room and with fingers that would tremble drew a bit of embroidery from her work-bag and waited for Emery's return. Twice the telephone rang and her heart sank, thinking it might be to say that he would dine out, but it was merely the inquiry as to whether Mr. Vance was yet home. Presently the lock turned and the outer door flew back with the nervous push that told that he had arrived.

For a moment Eleanor stood as if in doubt, then going out quickly she put both arms around her husband's neck before he had a chance to greet her with his usual courteous formality, and locking her hand in his she walked with him back to the living room.

"Poor little woman," Vance said in a surprised yet sympathetic tone, "was the country so dull that two half days of it made you desperate? It is lucky that I arranged for you to come back during the interval. How did you find mother and father? Still living in the old humdrum way, I suppose, while mother bravely pretends that she likes it? The children's visit will be a perfect Godsend to them."

Eleanor's first tremor of disappointment at the mistake in the motive of her greeting was put aside by her eagerness to explain and tell of her pleasure, her absolute joy in her visit. So absorbed was she by her story of the House in the Glen and its people, that they were half way through dinner before she came to a stop and realized that not only had she done all the talking, but that The Stranger was not there and she had forgotten to ask for him.

"Dr. Amunde? He is certainly a most singular man," Emery replied; "he has discovered in Miss Mack, my secretary, a new source of interest, an original interpretation of the real Christmas spirit, as he calls it, developed by modern conditions, and so he has gone to dine at her sister's home amid the confusion of six untamed brats. By the way, he will go to Westover with us for Christmas, but he says that he must continue his journey the day after."

"I think your people would simply love him. I'm very sorry that he must leave so soon, for, do you know, dear, I believe if he could stay with us a while everything might be different. It seems as if he were someone who had always known me, and who understood."

"Different—understood? Eleanor, for some time past you have been harping on one chord, growing unreasonable, discontented, or else trying to pose as a martyr, neither mood being necessary," and Vance applied himself to eating with a

deliberation that made for a silence lasting throughout the meal.

"Do I remind you of anything?" Eleanor asked, hesitatingly, after the coffee had been served, the man gone and Emery was holding a cigar, rolling it between his fingers as if uncertain whether to light it then and there or to go out.

"Remind me of anyone? Why, how?" Then he studied her quite carefully for a full minute with a puzzled expression and knitted brows.

"I can see that you are dressed differently from usual and that it has not only changed your expression, but your figure also, and very much for the worse. In fact, you look rather awkward and muddled up. Is it a riddle? Have you amused yourself by making up for a book-title in a guessing contest, or are you going to a masquerade?"

At that moment nothing could have forced her to confess that it was the once admired picture of herself that she had striven to copy, and the hurt thus turned inward dipped her usually guarded tongue in bitterness:

"Ah! you would not understand if I told you!" There was a new quality in her tone not explained by her words that startled Vance. Rapidly she turned the subject and told of his father's perception, of his interest in the house and his daily, hourly, worship of and dependence on his wife, making the simple narrative almost dramatic and hurling it at her husband like a challenge.

Even then Vance did not retort angrily, in fact, he was so pre-occupied that only a small part of what she said reached his consciousness. Waiting until she had quite finished he sat folding and unfolding the napkin on his knee.

"Yes, I can believe all that," he said at last. "Father has had nothing more important than his home life to fill his mind—while the best energies and perceptions of the most successful men are given to their work. With father it is different; you may not realize it, my dear, but, pleasant as he is at home, father has always been a failure."

"Then, Emery, with all my heart and soul I wish that you might fail as he has—" and leaving the table quickly, yet without show of vulgar



"Then, Emery, With All My Heart and Soul I Wish That You Might Fail as He Has."

petulance, Eleanor went to the empty nursery and throwing herself on Tommy's bed sobbed herself into a heart-broken fitful sleep, as the child himself might have done. "Strange how women at times seem to take pleasure in lashing their emotions," was Emery's mental comment. "I fear the outcome of this unavoidable visit will make an unwholesome break in the routine for us all."

To be continued.



Start right, keep to the right, and you will probably finish right.

Some people feel that the middle of the road is meant for them. I have heard drivers argue that they like to drive in the middle of the road so that in the event of a blow-out or tire trouble, they will have enough room on either side to keep the car on the road.

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Turning Back the Pages

Items from the files of Cass City Chronicle of 1901 and 1911

Twenty-five Years Ago.
December 29, 1911.

Miss Edna E. Kerr of Melvin and Charles H. Anderson were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents on Christmas day.

Fred Smithson was killed by an interurban car between Royal Oak and Birmingham Saturday afternoon.

The Gordon House Christmas tree, artistically arranged by the Misses Kleinschmidt, is a thing of beauty and a joy forever. "Appropriate gifts" were presented to the following commercial men: Mr. Cooley, Mr. Dine, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Straffon, Mr. Ferguson, Porter Harris, H. A. Hall, Jud St. John, Henry Goppelt, and Duff Jennings. Lieut. Ernest A. Perkins has been successful in passing an examination which raises him in the Marine Corps from the rank of second lieutenant to first lieutenant. The salary increase is from \$1,700 to \$2,000 annually.

The P. O. & N. R. R. brought many Christmas visitors to Cass City Saturday evening.

Henry Wettlauffer, in his advertisement of the Metz 4-cylinder 22 h. p. roadster, says that "the manufacturers offer a \$1,000 cash reward which will be paid to the first person in any locality in the United States who will show them a hill on any travelled highway which the Metz 22 cannot climb."

Thirty-five Years Ago.
December 27, 1901.

Bigelow & Son expect to occupy their imposing two-story business block in a few days. The new building is 32 by 87 feet in size and is a model in every way.

Grandma Race, the aged mother of Michael Race, passed away Saturday, at the age of 86 years.

Walter Bender was the first passenger on the automobile stage to Caro Friday.

Orrin Marr and Mary Sommer-ville, students at Big Rapids, are home to spend Christmas.

Miss Elsie Klump is now employed as bookkeeper by Frutchey, McGeorge & Co., at Gagetown.

An automobile was seen in our town Thursday, says the Deford correspondent.

Parsnip Used by Romans

Botanically the parsnip is known as *Pastinacea sativa* and the carrot celery and parsley are some of its closest relatives. In fact, parsnip culture is not unlike that for carrots. Although the parsnip grows wild in certain sections of North America it is, nevertheless, a traveler in this sphere, having been introduced to Virginia in 1609 by the colonists. The native habitat of this vegetable is England, continental Europe and the more temperate parts of Asia. Its earliest use on the European continent dates back to the time of the ancient Romans who cultivated the fleshy root as at esculent.

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Church News

Midnight Mass at St. Pancratius church on Christmas Eve. There will be mass at 12 o'clock midnight Thursday evening, December 24. On Christmas morning, a mass will be said at nine o'clock followed by benediction.

Shabbona M. E. Church — A Christmas program will be presented by Sunday School pupils on Sunday, Dec. 27, at 10:30 a. m. Preaching at 7:30 p. m.

Methodist Episcopal Parish — Charles Bayless, Minister. Sunday, December 27.

Cass City Church—Class meeting, 10:00, John Mark, leader.

Morning worship, 10:30, with vested choir and sermon by the minister.

Miss Eleanor McCallum, senior student at the teachers' college at Mt. Pleasant, will sing a solo at the morning service.

Sunday School, 11:45, Ernest Beardsley, supt. Classes for all ages.

Bethel Church—Sunday School, 11:00, Herbert Maharg, supt. A friendly welcome.

Morning worship, 12:00 (noon), with story for children and sermon for everyone.

No High School League meeting next Wednesday but a snow party for all the young people of the parish and their friends some time during the holidays. Tentative announcement to be made Sunday, the 27th.

The Parsonage Family extends cordial Christmas Greetings to all in the parish and the community who sincerely rejoice that Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, and that He has become by God's grace both Lord and King.

Evangelical Church—George A. Spitler, Minister.

10:00, Church School, a place for every one. Senior and adult topic: "The Spread of the Gospel in Southern Europe."

11:00, worship service. Sermon subject: "The Passing of the Old."

6:45, Christian Endeavor. Leader, Miss Audrey Hower. Topic, "The Log of 1936."

7:45, this is Sunday School night. There will be installation service for Sunday School teachers and officers.

Dec. 31, watch night service in charge of young people. Everyone welcome.

Presbyterian Church—Paul J. Alured, Minister. Sunday, Dec. 27: Morning worship and church school, 10:30 to 12:30. Sermon, "Have this Mind in You." Philippians 2:5-8.

Guild class, Study X, "Herald Voices in the Night."

Adult class, "The Spread of Christianity in Southern Europe." Rev. 11:15.

The Christian Endeavor society is invited to meet with the Caro Presbyterian Christian Endeavor at 6:45 for a discussion of "Youth Movements—Christian and Otherwise."

Novesta F. W. B. Church—Sunday, Dec. 27:

10:30 a. m., Sunday School. 11:30, morning worship. Subject, "Are Good Works Essential?" 7:30 p. m., young people's meeting. 8:15, evening service.

Tuesday at 8:00 p. m., prayer meeting at the church.

The Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church at New Greenleaf will be dedicated on Sunday, Dec. 27, at 2:00 p. m. Other services that day at 10:30 a. m. and 8:00 p. m.

First Baptist Church—Sunday, December 27:

10:30 a. m., morning worship. "The Glory of the Lord." 11:45 a. m., Bible School. 6:30 p. m., B. Y. P. U.

7:30 p. m., Gospel service. "The Threshold of 1937."

Watch night service—10:30, New Year's Eve at the parsonage. The watch night service will be entirely given over to special intercession with God for revival. Invitation to all interested to attend.

Annual business meeting—Monday, January 4, at 7:30 p. m. Annual reports and election of officers. Each member and adherent please plan to be present.

Young People's Bible Conference, January 1 and 2, at the North Baptist church, North Saginaw and Witherbee streets, Flint, Michigan. An enthusiastic rally for Bible study, Christian fellowship, and a good time.

Extension Groups Hold Meetings

The Evergreen Extension class met at the home of Mrs. Vida Bullis on Wednesday, Dec. 16, for an all-day meeting with nineteen present. Roll call was answered by eighteen members. Other business was transacted.

At twelve-thirty the bell rang, calling dinner which turned out to be a Christmas feast.

The afternoon session was devoted to the study of "Color for Clothes" and "How to Choose" which was very ably presented by the leaders, Mrs. Sabie Auslander and Mrs. Marguerite Krause.

Following the first half of the lesson, the recreation leader, Mrs. Fleming, took charge for ten minutes. This was enjoyed by everyone present.

At the conclusion of the lesson, the meeting was turned over to the chairman, Mrs. Jessie Wallace, to adjourn.

Bethel Group.

The Bethel Extension group met at the home of Mrs. William Profit on Friday for an all-day meeting. Mrs. T. J. Heron, chairman of the group, had charge of a short business meeting after which Mrs. Guisbert gave a review of the previous session.

Mrs. H. Muntz, Mrs. Del Profit

and Mrs. H. Charter acted as assistant hostesses and served a delicious luncheon at noon.

"Color and Line" was the subject of the new lesson presented by the leader, Mrs. Sam Blades, in the afternoon. Various types of women were used as models in the color experiments. The lesson was very interesting and helpful in choosing complete wardrobes or accessories.

Mrs. Bert Clara, Mrs. Earl Maharg, Mrs. Clair Carpenter, Mrs. William Withey and Mrs. Clarence Boulton are new members in the group this year.

Pneumonia Deaths Jump 32 Percent in Five Years

The common cold must be treated as a serious infection, warned Dr. C. C. Slemmons, state health commissioner, today, pointing to the rapidly increasing number of pneumonia deaths, many of which started with a simple cold.

"Three-fourths of all cases of pneumonia are estimated to start with the common cold," Dr. Slemmons declared. "The seriousness of the situation is emphasized by a 32 percent increase in pneumonia deaths in this state in the past five years. Last year this disease was the fourth major cause of death, taking the lives of 3,802 persons. Figures for the first ten months of 1936 indicate that the toll will be even higher this year."

"The common cold is not only a communicable disease," says the commissioner, "but a very dangerous one, leaving in its wake many cases of pneumonia, sinus infection and mastoiditis which may cause permanent disability or death. If fever is present with a cold, the best advice is to call a doctor at once and go to bed. A serious case of gripple, influenza or pneumonia may be imminent."

The cold is a universal disease taking more money out of more people's pockets than any other sickness, according to Dr. Slemmons. Colds are responsible for a greater loss of time from school and work than any other single ailment.

Prevention of colds during this season of their greatest prevalence is much better than the great economic loss and physical suffering necessitated in curing one, he said. Since the common cold is largely a preventable infection, observance of the following rules laid down by Dr. Slemmons may save you time, money and health:

1. Wear sensible, seasonable clothing and avoid unnecessary exposure.
2. Stay away from people with colds as much as possible.
3. Build up your bodily resistance by proper diet, sufficient rest and healthful exercise.
4. Live and work in well-ventilated rooms. Overheated rooms cause more colds than underheated ones.
5. If you have a cold, personal hygiene is important in preventing its spread to those about you.
6. If fever is present with a cold, go to bed at once and have the doctor called.

Horse Flies Killed Cattle
In early Ohio horse flies traveled in such enormous swarms that they could actually kill cattle by sucking the beasts dry of blood.

Maine's State Flower
The state flower of Maine is the pine cone and tassel.

Deer Have Scent Glands on Legs
Deer carry scent glands on their hind legs.

Bird Lovers Flock to Rossitten
Germany's ornithological observatory in the village of Rossitten is visited by about 20,000 students of birds in a year.

Ozark
Ozark is said to be a corruption of the French aux arcs, with bows, descriptive of the inhabitants.

Navy in War Department
Before 1799 the U. S. Navy was directed by the War department.

CASS

Thumb's Finest Theatre
Don't Forget the Holiday Specials at the CASS!

Friday Only! Dec. 25

Christmas Day Special!

Gala matinee starts 3:00 p. m.

A dynamic story with music... songs that flood the heart!

Presenting the screen's new combination!

Barbara Stanwyck and Joel McCrea in

"Banjo on My Knee"

As simple and great a story as the mighty Mississippi itself!

Saturday Only! Dec. 26

Double Feature Program!

See the empress of a Malay jungle!

Breath-taking! Amazing! Thrilling!

"The Jungle Princess"

presenting the charming young Dorothy Lamour and Ray Milland

— and —

Hopalong Cassidy crashing through again in another of Clarence E. Mulford's great novels!

"Trail Dust"

with William Boyd and Jimmy Ellison

Sun. - Mon. Dec. 27 - 28

Gala Twin Bill!

The smartest show in town!

Presenting the mad-cap sweethearts of the screen in a new hit picture!

Gene Raymond and Ann Southern in

"Smartest Girl in Town"

A great comedy romance of a fashion model!

— and —

Ripped red hot from the revelations that shocked all America!

"Legion of Terror"

with Bruce Cabot and Big Star Cast!

This picture drives the new public menace into the open! And rips the hoods off the most vicious racket in our country!

TUES. - WED. - THURS.

Dec. 29 - 30 - 31

Here is a laugh hit that surpasses "Mr. Deeds Goes to Town!" A sensational novel brought to the screen by this great cast!

Irene Dunn and Melvyn Douglas in

"Theodora Goes Wild"

Don't forget to reserve New Year's Eve for the special Midnight Show!

Saragasso Sea Water Clear
The Saragasso sea, dread of the mariner for centuries, has the clearest water in the Atlantic.

English Coronation Rites
Many of the English coronation rites go back to Egbert, Archbishop of York in the Eighth century

Naming Bronx, N. Y.
Bronx and Bronx county, New York, were named for Jonas or Jacob Bronck, an early settler.

The Lehigh River
The Lehigh river flows 120 miles through Eastern Pennsylvania into the Delaware river.



TAKE IT FROM US... We really wish we could see each of you personally just to say what a very "Merry Christmas" we are wishing for you. But we know you are going to be busy being "Merry," so we're asking you to take it this way.

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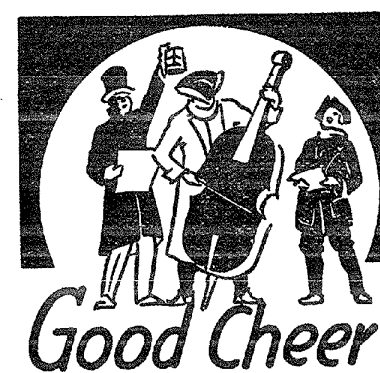
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