

THE KERRVILLE ADVANCE

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Bandera Letter.

Bandera, Dec. 27.—The election for school building bonds held here last Saturday resulted in a victory for the bonds by a majority of 12 votes. This means that Bandera will soon have a fine \$12,000 school building. Now watch the old town grow.

Mr. Geo. F. Wood while returning from San Antonio with George Stevens fell from the back dead. Justice Chas. Johnson went down and held an inquest and pronounced his death due to heart failure.

Mr. Gus Klemstein and Miss Mary Clark, daughter of Mr. Ed. Clark, were married on Dec. 17, Justice Chas. Johnson officiating.

John Gibbons and family have moved out to their ranch and Rev. W. A. Smith, the new Baptist pastor and family will occupy their residence.

J. Frank Tait, our enterprising blacksmith and telephone operator, is making extensive improvements on his residence.

Mr. Ivy B. Langford was married in San Antonio on Christmas day to Miss Hermoine Bedell.

REPORTER.

McNealy-Walker

Mr. Earl McNealy and Miss May Walker were united in matrimony at the home of Mrs. Stone in Ingram on Dec. 24, Rev. J. H. Jackson officiating.

There were only a few friends present but they brought in some very nice presents. After the ceremony cake and coffee was served and a very pleasant hour spent.

A FRIEND.

Camp Verde Items.

Our public school under the efficient management of Miss Mattie Pope closed last Friday until after the holidays. A Christmas tree at the school house Tuesday night was very much enjoyed by a large crowd.

Mr. Bert Fine of this place and Miss Walker of near Medina took the solemn vows of matrimony last week. We wish them a long and happy life together.

Mr. Peter McIntyre from across the pond has returned to the Bonnell Ranch. His many friends will regret to learn his health is not so good as when he was here before.

Mrs. A. D. McBryde and sister, Miss Bettie Hodges, from Georgetown, and the children visited Kerrville Saturday. The children report having seen Santa Claus.

Mr. Dave Cox and wife from Bandera passed through on their way to Center Point.

This town was full of excitement last Friday when some dogs chased a nice little buck deer right through the streets of this city. Our blacksmith and Mr. Davis joined in the chase on foot which lasted for some time, when Otto Klein joined in the chase on horseback and captured him.

T. A. McBryde went to San Antonio last week to meet Miss Watson, his wife's niece who has come out from Alabama on a visit.

Henry Geisler went to Kerrville Friday on business.

Del Reeves and family have gone to James river to spend the holidays with his brother, Ed Reeves, and family.

T. O. Baker and family from Kerrville spent Christmas with Mr. Truman Hill and family.

Center Point Letter.

Center Point, Dec. 30, 1912.—Christmas has come and gone and everybody appeared to have a good time.

Dr. Luse and family of Miss. are visiting his sister, Mrs. D. Swayze. Ed Moore and wife of San Antonio are visiting relatives and friends in Center Point.

Miss Maude Horne, who is teaching at Green, and Miss Bettie McElroy, who is teaching at Kerrville, came back for the holidays.

Misses Pope, Kuykendal and Tiller, three of C. P. teachers, went to their respective homes for a rest (?) during the holidays.

Among the boys and girls who were off at school the following came home to spend Christmas holidays. Misses Rowena Rees and Lee Owens, State Normal, San Marcos; Hurley Fuller and Joel Burney, State University, Austin; Charles Howland and Oren Swayze, Baptist Academy, San Marcos; Loren Rees, A. & M. College; Edwil Burk and Misses Bettie Hodges, Retha and Mabel Cooke, Southwestern University.

We have two new families from Swisher County, the Messrs. Doser. One occupies J. W. Nelson's house just east of town and the other W. B. Wood's house in the west part of town. We extend them a welcome. Center Point is filling up with good substantial people from the Pan handle. We are sorry for that part of Texas, but glad for Center Point.

Messrs. D. H. Beckett of Kansas City, Mo., and F. C. Holbrook of Cincinnati, Ohio, came in a few days ago for their annual winter visit to Center Point. They have each spent several winters here. They, like the wild geese, know where to find a nice sunny clime in which to winter. So "When the frost is on the pumpkin and the corn is in the shock" they hie themselves away to Center Point. Mr. Holbrook is stopping at the Stone Leigh Ranch and Mr. Beckett, at the Center Point Hotel.

A. E. Crotty, familiarly known as Bert, passed away at his home in Center Point about 5 p. m. Dec. 26. About ten days before he struck a nail in his foot and had suffered much from it, but thought he was getting better until Christmas day tetanus set in, and all that loving hands and medical skill could do availed nothing. The last twelve hours he suffered much. However he said that if it was the will of the Lord to take him, he was ready to go. Bert Crotty was one of the best men Center Point ever knew. While he did not possess much of this world's goods, yet he "laid up treasures in Heaven." He has gone to dwell in a "Mansion not made with hands." Mr. Crotty leaves a wife, little boy, father and mother and several brothers and sisters to mourn his loss. He was buried in the Center Point Cemetery Friday afternoon by the W. O. W. lodge, of which he was an officer. Every business house in town closed and the whole town turned out to pay their last respects to the one who was loved by all. Chas. Crotty of La Porte and S. H. Lane of Floresville attended the funeral. Bro. Overton of the Baptist Church held funeral services at the grave.

Mrs. E. J. Sloan died in San Antonio Dec. 26. The body was brought to Center Point on the noon train Saturday and was buried in the Methodist Church where funeral services were held by Revs. Duke and Overton. After services the remains were followed to the cemetery by a host of sorrowing friends and loved ones. Mrs. Sloan had lived here for a number of years. She left last summer for Kentucky and found none. Her remains were accompanied by the entire family including her brother, Dr. Sloan from Kentucky, except W. E. Limberger and wife. Mrs. Limberger went to her bedside the first of the week and took sick. This indeed was a sad day for her as she leaves a husband, three sons, Claude and Ernest of San Antonio, and four daughters, Mrs. W. E. Limberger, Misses Nellie and Winnie of this place and Mrs. Larabee of San Antonio.

This would be a good time to subscribe for the Advance.

New Series of Postage Stamps.

The new series of stamps for exclusive use of the new parcels post which is to be established in Kerrville on January 1 have been received by postmaster Chas. Real.

The new stamps will be larger than the ordinary stamps and will be distinctive in color and design. The stamps received by the Kerrville office will have several designs. The first will illustrate modern methods of transporting mail, one stamp showing the railway mail train.

The second series will show the postal clerks and the city letter carriers. The third will represent the industrial scene, showing the manufacturing industries taking care of products that probably will be transported extensively by the parcels post.

The parcels post law, effective January 1, 1913, provides:

"That hereafter fourth-class mail matter shall embrace all other matter, including farm and factory products, not now embraced by law in either the first, second or third class, not exceeding eleven pounds in weight nor greater in size than seventy-two inches in length and girth combined, nor in form or kind likely to injure the person or any postal employe or damage the mail equipment or other mail matter and not of a character perishable within a period reasonably required for transportation and delivery.

For the purpose of carrying this law into effect the United States is divided into zones with different rates of postage applicable to each.

The local rate is applicable to parcels intended for delivery at the office of mailing or on a rural route starting therefrom.

By the new law the rates of postage on parcels have been greatly reduced and the limit of weight of packages has been increased from four to eleven pounds. Parcels will be delivered at all free-delivery offices and to patrons residing on rural routes; they may be registered and may be accorded special delivery service on payment of the usual fee, and they may be insured against loss in any amount equivalent to their actual value, but not to exceed \$25, upon payment of a fee of five cents. Distinctive stamps must be used on all packages but they may be mailed in any quantities of not less than 2,000 identical pieces without stamps affixed, the postage being paid in money.

All parcels must bear the return card of the sender; otherwise they will not be accepted for mailing.

Mrs. Orville Surber.

Very sad indeed was the death of Mrs. Olga Liebold Surber, the beloved wife of Mr. Orville Surber, which occurred at the residence of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Liebold, 15 miles below Bandera on Thursday Dec. 19. Mrs. Surber had been in bad health for two or three years. She and her husband and babies had been making their home for some time at Bandera since they sold their home at Center Point. About two weeks ago Mr. Surber was stricken with appendicitis and was taken to the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Surber, in Bandera and there operated upon. His condition was so serious and his wife being herself in such bad health, she and the two babies went down to her parents. It was by this means that the husband was not with her when she died. Orville is said to be some better but is yet confined to his bed.

His relatives and many friends in the Kerrville and Center Point vicinity will regret to learn of the sad misfortune that has befallen him and his little ones and The Advance extends to them our profound sympathy.

District Court Next Week

The regular semi-annual term of the District Court, with Judge R. H. Burney presiding, will convene here next Monday morning. There are very few cases on the docket, either civil or criminal, and, unless the grand jury puts some business on the docket, this will likely be one of the shortest terms of court ever held in the county.

WEDDINGS.

WALTER-GASS

At the home of Mrs. Wilson on Christmas day, C. W. Wolter and Miss Lou Gass were united in marriage, Rev. S. J. Drake officiating.

M'KEEN-LEWIS

Emery E. McKeen and Miss Fannie Lewis, both of San Antonio, were united in marriage at the Methodist parsonage, in Kerrville, on Thursday, Dec. 26, Rev. S. J. Drake officiating. The bridegroom is the son of H. E. McKeen who for a number of years resided in Kerrville.

HUTSON-MOORE

W. C. Hutson and Miss Bertha Moore, both of Kerrville, were married at the home of the bride on Sunday, Dec. 29, Judge E. H. Turner officiating.

STORMS-O'BRYANT

Mrs. Jesse Storms and Miss Ina O'Bryant were married at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon at Center Point, Rev. W. A. Smith officiating. The bridegroom is the eldest son of Rev. J. W. Storms, now living at Mission and the bride a daughter of J. B. O'Bryant of Utopia and a sister of former Representative Sam O'Bryant. Both are young people of the highest character. They left on Sunday evening's train for Mission where they will make their home.

VERNON-DIETERT

On Christmas day Miss Rosa Dietert and Mr. Alvin Vernon were married at the residence of Mrs. Rosa Dietert, the bride's mother, by Rev. R. W. Fischer. The bridegroom is in the railroad business at Yoakum, and the happy couple left the same afternoon for Yoakum where they will reside.

The bride is a sister of T. F. W., Emil and Edward Dietert of Kerrville, all of whom with their families attended the wedding and had a delightful family reunion at their mother's. Mrs. Dietert is one of the pioneer citizens of Kendall county.

Pythian Sisters Elect Officers.

At a recent meeting the Pythian Sisters elected officers for the ensuing year as follows:

Miss Alise Williamson, M. E. C.; Mrs. Lula Comparette, E. S.; Mrs. Smith, E. J.; Mrs. Townes, Manager; Miss Mabel Davey, M. of R. & C.; Mrs. Ward, M. of F.; Miss Charissa Barleman, Protector; Mrs. S. J. Drake, Guard; Mrs. Newman, Trustee; Installing officer, Miss Shelburne. Miss Mabel Davey was elected as delegate to the grand lodge.

Report of B. Y. P. U.

Sunday Dec. 29, 1912. The following resolutions were adopted: 1st. To study the Bible more and to read it every day, if not more than one verse. 2nd. To try to let our lights shine out so as to glorify God. 3rd. To try to become soul winners in the following year. Next Sunday, Jan. 5th, all the members of the B. Y. P. U. are requested to be present as we will have our yearly election of officers. FERROL RAWSON, Press Reporter.

Musical Afternoon.

Mrs. John Burney entertained her music class and a few friends with a most enjoyable recital on last Friday afternoon. An unusually enjoyable program was rendered by the class, with the assistance of Mrs. Henry Scholl of New Braunfels, who gave several beautiful solos. Mrs. Scholl was one of Kerrville's most talented vocalists before her marriage, and her many friends were delighted to hear her once more. In addition to the piano numbers, selections were given on the organ by Mrs. J. T. S. Gammon and Mrs. Burney. Dainty refreshments were served in the dining room by the hostess and Mrs. Stewart Davison.

THE REGULAR THING.

"What does Tanks want to do with that thist of his?" "I rather think he wants to be treated for it."

A Quiet Christmas.

Christmas passed off in Kerrville without anything more than ordinarily exciting. The weather was at its best for two days before Christmas and allowed the people to do their shopping and arrange for the entertainment of Santa Claus. Appropriate services were held at the various churches and there were Christmas trees with programs of music and recitations at the Methodist, Presbyterian and Baptist Churches. A great many people went away to spend the yuletide with friends or relatives, and there were a number of visitors here from other places.

Of course there were a few scraps, the result of too much booze, but nothing more serious than a few bumps and scratches were noticed. The business men report their sales of Christmas goods as well up to their expectations.

Ladies Aid Entertained

The last day of 1912 will long be remembered by the Kerrville Baptist Ladies Aid Society, as one of the most enjoyable social meetings of the year. Mrs. Ida Nation was hostess and had prepared an unusually interesting game, consisting of pictures each representing a verse of scripture. Several ladies won high honors in this contest. The hostess, assisted by two beautiful señoritas, served a two-course luncheon, after which a platter of Banuelos was passed, the latter having been contributed by our Mexican sisters. Thus happily ended a prosperous year for this society.

Becher's Sell Out.

D. R. Williams of San Antonio has bought the stock of merchandise of A. Becher at the old store of T. F. W. Dietert & Bro. and will continue the business. Mr. Becher and family will move to San Antonio. Mr. Williams is an old Terranchman of Bandera and Medina counties and has also had some experience in the mercantile business. He will carry on the business at the same place, where he also has a well equipped camp yard. Mr. Williams and eldest son are now in the city and within the next month his family will come.

Dr. Harrison Preached Sunday

Dr. J. E. Harrison, president of the San Antonio Female College, preached at the Methodist Church in Kerrville Sunday to a large and appreciative audience. Dr. Harrison and fifteen young ladies from the college and two of the faculty, Misses Walton and Rabe, spent the holidays here as the guests of his two sons at Roguement, which the Doctor has designated as his home. Roguement was formerly known as "My Ranch."

Man Killed at Barksdale.

Rock Springs, Texas, Dec. 21.—Walter Casey was shot and killed at 1 o'clock this morning at Barksdale following a quarrel at a dance hall. Wynne Barnes, known also as having been contributed by our Mexican sisters. Thus happily ended a prosperous year for this society. Wynne Suttles, is under arrest here and will have an examining trial Monday morning.

New Years Greeting:

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INTERESTING ITEMS OF PRESENT-IMPORTANT HAPPENINGS.

STATE, NATIONAL AND FOREIGN

Short Items Telling of the Latest in Interesting Doings and Happenings on Our Globe.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

Congress adjourned for the Christmas holidays Thursday after some lively maneuvers to get President Taft's message into the record, secure action on the president's appointments and bring proceedings in the Archibald impeachment trial to a point where they may be disposed of early in January. The house was unable to get a quorum and adjourned after a 17-minute session without even having received the president's message.

Railroad companies and steamship combinations control the regular steamship lines of the United States and have destroyed competition on many of the water highways of commerce, declares Luther Cennett, Jr., commissioner of corporations, in a report to President Taft.

The long threatened fight over the confirmation of President Taft's nominations for office broke on the floor of the senate Thursday and in the first skirmish the democrats were successful in preventing an executive session demanded by Senator Cullom (Republican).

President Taft Wednesday sent to the senate the appointment of William L. Duffin as surveyor general of Alaska.

The house Thursday passed the Burnett literacy test immigration bill by 178 to 52. The measure, a substitute for the Dillingham bill, would bar from the United States immigrants over 16 years old unable to read, except those proving to be natives of the country on account of religious persecution at home.

STATE AND DOMESTIC NEWS.
 A unique wedding gift for Miss Helen Gould, whose engagement to Frank J. Shepard recently was announced, will come from the more than 20,000 men of the warships of the Atlantic fleet. It became known Saturday that Rear Admiral Oerhus in a letter which he wrote at the request of a number of chief petty officers and signed simply with his name and rank as a sailor, suggested to the men of the fleet that they unite in a subscription for the purchase of a gift which would convey "their appreciation of what Miss Gould has done for the service." The limit of an individual subscription was placed at 25 cents.

William D. Cleveland, Sr., a prominent and wealthy Houstonian, died Sunday in Houston of heart trouble. Amarillo and the entire Panhandle is covered with snow, the storm raging Saturday and Sunday.

Having transacted all business with the exception of the adoption of an advanced report of the United States and receiving some reports on revision, the Texas state text book board, after making contracts for the next six years, the valuation of the books aggregating close to \$12,000,000, adjourned at Austin on Saturday, Governor Colquhoun.

Rear Admiral Andrews, acting secretary of the navy, Monday designated the battleships Florida and North Dakota with four destroyers now in New York harbor as a special escort to the British cruiser Natal, which left Portsmouth, England, Saturday, bringing the body of the late Ambassador Reid. The American battleships will meet the British ship off Nantucket island and convey her into New York harbor.

The termination of the Russian treaty, abrogated because of Russia's attitude upon the passport question, which became effective January 1, leaves the United States and Russia for the first time in eighty years without an agreement to govern their trade relations and presents a situation unprecedented.

A resolution offered by Everett P. Wheeler of New York, urging the president to accept the offer to arbitrate the Panama canal controversy between Great Britain and America, featured the opening of the American Society for the Judicial Settlement of International Disputes in Washington Friday. The introduction of the resolution, which also urges the president to prepare and submit to the senate a special agreement, clearly defining the matter in dispute, created a mild sensation.

A new division of the federal court of the southern district of Texas will be inaugurated at Corpus Christi on January 6 by Walter T. Burns, judge; Lock McDaniel, district attorney, and C. Dart, clerk, officials of the federal court. This session will mark the first term of the new division created by act of the last congress.

The American Tobacco Company was awarded a verdict by direction of Judge Mayer in the United States district court Friday in the \$300,000 damage suit brought by E. L. Loker & Co., Brooklyn tobacco jobbers.

That she was bound hand and foot, gagged and placed on a railroad track in front of a moving train by two masked white men, is the sensational and thrilling story told by Miss Hulda Hahn, a 15-year-old girl, who was found Friday night in an unconscious condition at the entrance of a 15-foot railroad embankment near Houston and Texas Central railroad stations, Texas.

Two suspected members of bank robbers who blew the safe at Liberty Hill, Texas.

More than 700,000 eggs were sold by the Clean Food Club at Chicago Friday.

The first actual construction work on the new \$500,000 Union depot and general office building for the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe in Galveston started Friday morning, when a force of Santa Fe workmen started the boring of four test holes on the site of the new structure just west of Twenty-fifth street, at Strand.

Bringing in a collection of implements of war, household utensils and other relics of a civilization which is described as so ancient that he has not yet determined the time of its existence, Professor Hiram Bingham, head of the Yale University archeological expedition to Peru, returned to New York from South America Saturday.

The second biennial report of the commissioner of labor statistics, which was completed Friday, contains a number of recommendations for change in the law affecting labor in Texas, and also embraces a large amount of data with reference to industrial employment and salaries paid to labor in Texas.

Confirmation of the discovery of a cure for infantile paralysis by Dr. Roy Berman was given Saturday by the parents of three children in Chicago who have been treated for the dread disease. The parents do not know much of infantile paralysis or its symptoms, but they agree that their children were ill of what was diagnosed as infantile paralysis and that they are now quite well.

FOREIGN NEWS.
 The viceroy of India and his wife, Baron and Baroness Hardinge, miraculously escaped assassination Tuesday by a native fanatic while making their ceremonial entry into Delhi, the new imperial capital of India. Three splinters of the powerful bomb, which killed one native attendant and injured another, penetrated the back and shoulders of the viceroy and he was wounded in the neck by the screws with which the bomb was filled and which passed through his hand. The bomb struck the howdah on the back of his elephant.

Casas Grandes, the most important town in the rubeching and lumbering district southwest of Juarez, Mexico, has been taken by rebels personally commanded by General Pascual Orozco, Jr. It was reported Tuesday from federal and rebel official sources. A column of 800 men marching against the rebels at Ascension was defeated, it was announced. The federal commander, General Jose Blanco, was taken prisoner.

Hundreds of workmen engaged in constructing the Montidor tunnel through the Jura mountains between Italy and France had a narrow escape from death Tuesday when the pickax of one of the workmen opened a powerful subterranean stream.

The chamber of deputies in the City of Mexico Tuesday voted a flat 5 per cent increase in import duties. This action, however, does not dispose of the general tariff revision bill, which provides a special tax on numerous articles, especially luxuries.

The Portuguese premier, Dr. Duarte Leite, on his return to Lisbon from Oporto, will hand to the president of the republic the resignation of the cabinet. The crisis, which has been latent for some time past, is due to the democratic party's disagreement with the procedure of the government.

President Jilinhurst of Peru has asked congress for authority to negotiate a foreign loan of \$28,500,000 for the purpose of canceling certain debts and financing the construction of railways. The president estimated the urgent debts of the Peruvian republic at \$20,000,000.

Twenty-two of the twenty-seven members of the crew of the Furness line steamer Florence, from Halifax, N. S., for St. Johns, lost their lives in the wreck of the vessel on the ledges west of St. Johns during a gale Friday. Five survivors, who reached St. Johns, N. F., in a boat, brought the news.

Beflin's finest and newest cinematograph playhouse, the Nollendorf theater, which is about to open its doors, is the creation and property of two Americans, Messrs. Goldson and Kinseja. The building, which is like a Greek temple, is architecturally one of the most striking structures in the Kaiser's capital, and does much to beautify the big Nollendorf Platz, on which it stands.

The American Society in London paid a hearty tribute Tuesday to the late Ambassador Whitelaw Reid.

Instructions forwarded by the Ottoman government to Rechad Pasha, the leader of the Turkish peace delegation in London, authorize him to treat with the Greek delegates without their previous signature of the armistice protocol.

Europe faces a crisis due to the hoarding of gold, which, with the Balkan war, keeps it from circulating. Vice Admiral Hahl Pasha, formerly minister of marine in the Turkish cabinet, was killed in the naval engagement between the Greeks and Turks off the Dardanelles December 16.

King Ferdinand of Bulgaria left Saloniki hurriedly Friday for Bulgaria on receipt of a dispatch from his government.

Grand Vizier Kaimil Pasha's regime in Turkey is threatened with collapse. The young Turk daredevil is gaining the upper hand and has deserted him. He is criticized as lacking in acumen and is urged to resign. Peace talk has suddenly been abandoned and everybody is expecting a renewal of the war, as the Turks seem to be bent on driving the invaders out of Thrace and Macedonia.

Austria-Hungary is spending \$800,000 a day mobilizing its army.

The British committee organized for the celebration in 1914 of the centenary of Anglo-American peace has drawn up a comprehensive program which was made public in London Wednesday.

There is no ground for suspecting Russia of selfish designs in the Balkans, was the statement of Premier Kokovoff, in the senate Wednesday at St. Petersburg, in the course of a speech on the policy of the Russian government.

CELEBRATING NEW YEARS HERE and THERE

CELEBRATED by religious observance and festivals among the Egyptians, Chinese, Jews, Hindus and Mohammedans many centuries before the Christian era, New Year's day is still the one holiday celebrated by all nations, civilized or savage. While true that the first day of the new year does not fall simultaneously in all sections of the globe, since all countries do not use the Christian calendar, it is nevertheless a fact that each nation has its own New Year's day. Even the cannibals of the South Sea Islands and savage tribes of Central Africa celebrate the beginning of the new year with some sort of ceremonies. One general characteristic, however, marks all the celebrations, and that is the spirit of rejoicing and feasting. Many of the customs are quaint and unusual, but all are fraught with the spirit of revelry and good will.

In our country, of course, especially in the large cities, merriment and conviviality hold full sway, though the watch-night services in the churches appeal more to those of a serious bent, to whom the passing of the old year and the welcoming of the new are causes for reflection, meditation and even sadness.

In New York, Chicago and most other cities the New Year's frolic is a veritable Bedlam of noise and revelry. Millions are spent in wine and costly suppers, and as the hour of midnight

reading of the stars. It furnishes standard time for half the world, and as the new year is born will send its message clear, up to Alaska, to South America to China and to London.

Over in France New Year's day is not entirely one of rejoicing; that is, unless one is able to rise above such mundane things as finance, for New Year's in France means—bills! It is the universal paying-up day of the year. All the debt, familiar old bills that have been joggling along and accumulating during the year suddenly pile in en masse and greet the head of the house on New Year's morning. It is not difficult to obtain credit in France, provided one possesses the externals of a comfortable competence, and the tradesmen and landlords and shopkeepers are content to wait until January first. Then they drop their gentle little reminders in the mails or more frequently present them through representatives. The butcher, the baker, the candlestick maker—and all the galaxy of their sisters and their cousins and their aunts—are to be reckoned with.

Festive, banqueting and merrymaking like wild high carnival. From New Year's eve until the morning of the second day of the new year the streets of Paris are in a fever. Beautifully gowned women, in richly decorated carriages, and groups of beribboned holiday-seekers form a boulevard. Cafe life then is wild and brilliant, surging, happy, and thrills the patrons and the students from the Latin quarter contribute their full quota of rollicking and revelry in the restaurants and along the streets.

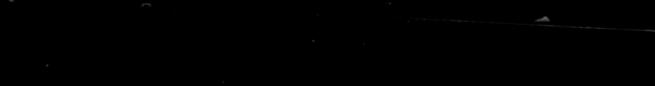
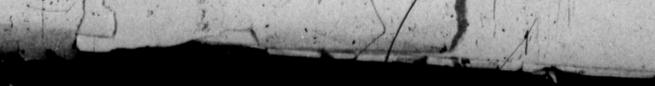
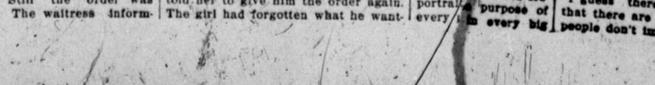
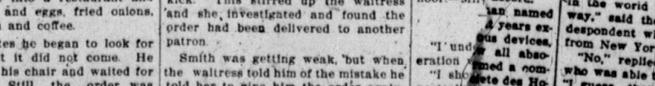
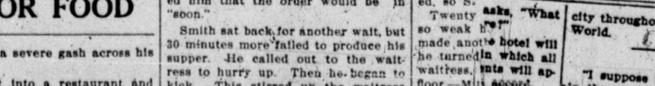
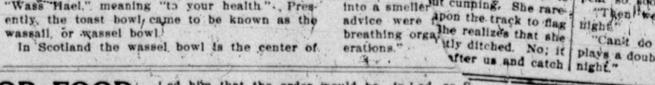
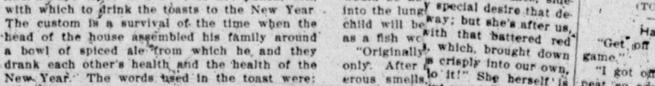
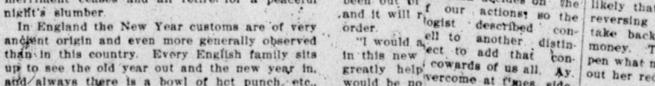
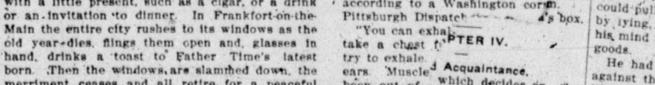
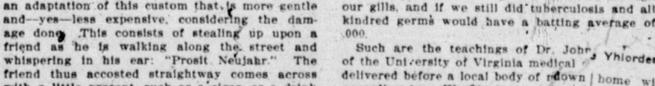
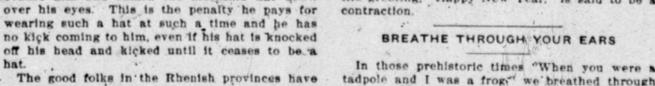
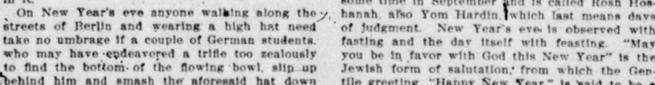
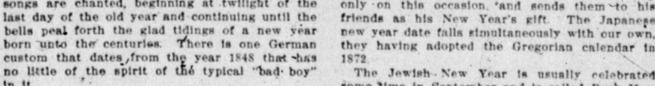
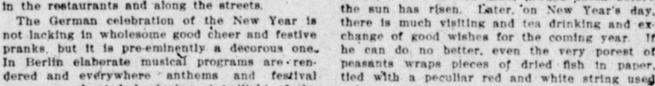
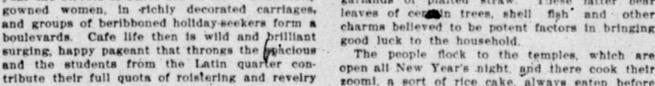
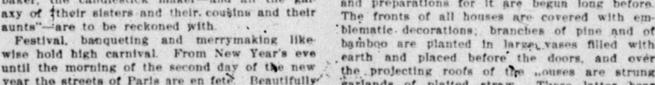
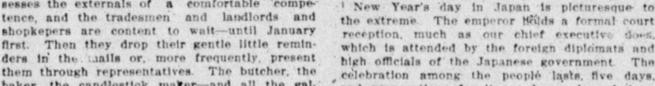
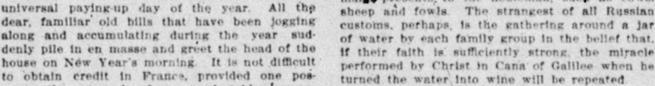
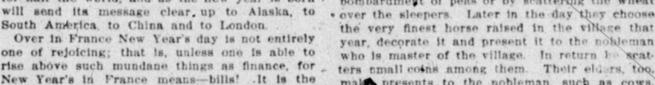
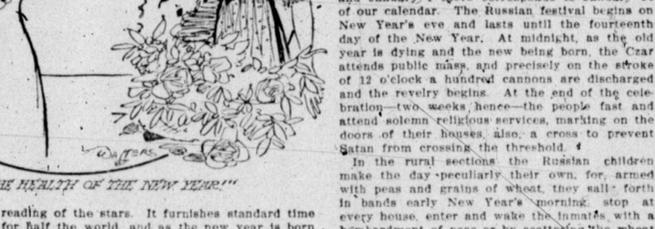
The German celebration of the New Year is not lacking in wholesome good cheer and festive pranks, but it is pre-eminently a decorous one. In Berlin elaborate musical programs are rendered and everywhere anthems and festival songs are chanted, beginning at twilight of the last day of the old year and continuing until the bells peal forth the glad tidings of a new year born unto the centuries. There is one German custom that dates from the year 1848 that has no little of the spirit of the typical "bad-boy" in it.

On New Year's eve anyone walking along the streets of Berlin and wearing a high hat need take no umbrage if a couple of German students, who may have endeavored a trifle too zealously to find the bottom of the flowing bowl, slip up behind him and smash the forehead hat down over his eyes. This is the penalty he pays for wearing such a hat at such a time and he has no kick coming to him, even if his hat is knocked off his head and kicked until it ceases to be a hat.

The good folks in the Rhenish provinces have an adaptation of this custom that is more genteel and less expensive, considering the damage done. This consists of stealing up upon a friend as he is walking along the street and whispering in his ear: "Froisit Neujahr." The friend thus accosted straightway comes across with a little present, such as a cigar, or a drink or an invitation to dinner. In Frankfurt-on-the-Main the entire city rushes to its windows as the old year dies, flings them open and glasses in hand, drinks a toast to Father Time's latest born. Then the windows are slammed down, the merriment ceases and all retire for a peaceful night's slumber.

In England the New Year customs are of very ancient origin and even more generally observed than in this country. Every English family sits up to see the old year out and the new year in, and always there is a bowl of hot punch, etc., with which to drink the toasts to the New Year. The custom is a survival of the time when the head of the house assembled his family around a bowl of spiced ale from which he and they drank each other's health and the health of the New Year. The words used in the toast were: "Wass Hael," meaning "to your health." Presently the toast bowl came to be known as the wassail, or wassail bowl.

In Scotland the wassail bowl is the center of



TURKEY, FIRM ON PEACE TERMS
PASHA ASSERTS OTTOMAN GOVERNMENT WILL NOT ACCEDE

To Balkan Exactions and Desires—Opposition Characterizes Ottoman Contention as Laughable.

London.—Both the Turks and the Balkan allies are standing by their guns on the peace terms. Both declare it is impossible to recede from their positions.

Nevertheless, those who think they know what is going on behind the scenes still believe the probabilities of the conclusion of peace are greater than of the resumption of the conflict. The exchange of cipher dispatches between the administration at Constantinople and Rechad Pasha continues, by the chief of the Turkish plenipotentiaries, believing in the nature of the reply he will present to the allies when the conference assemblies at St. James palace. It is understood this will be as already outlined, with the additional promise that Turkey will apply to the European territories remaining to her the reforms which Count von Perchtold, the Austro-Hungarian foreign minister, proposed before the war.

"While I can not discuss the reply of the Ottoman government," said Rechad Pasha, "nothing prevents me from saying that the terms which have been proposed are absurd. They have produced this impression wherever heard, even outside of Turkish circles. It was never known that after the conclusion of an armistice one belligerent party could risk the other to cede territory bravely defended and still retaining a footing on it."

"Why should we do this, especially when the Bulgarians had three reverses at our hands just before the armistice, while the Greeks, who continued to fight, were defeated both on land around Janina and at sea off the Dardanelles?"

"Turkey was induced to accept an armistice only on the advice of the powers, in order to avoid useless carnage on both sides. The same humanitarian consideration led the Ottoman government to ask for the revivification of the besieged towns and induce the government to yield certain conditions for the sake of peace. But there is a limit which the allies have surpassed."

The allies, on the other hand, assert the armistice was arranged to give Turkey an opportunity of making peace terms without further losses in the field, and this characterizes Turkey's talk of keeping Adrianople, Janina and Scutari and retaining Salonika as simply laughable. General Banglis, the Greek chief of general staff, said:

"Let them come and take Salonika if they can. Even the dust of our ancient heroes would rise up to defend our rights."

The most optimistic of the Turkish military party profess confidence that the Bulgarians will never be able to force the evacuation of Salonika on the contrary, they expect powerful arms, Turkey will be a strategic point in a fortnight, adding that garriotte to the main body, will take the offensive toward Philippopolis and Salonika.

General Villa Escapes.
 Mexico, City.—General Francisco Villa, known as the fox, who was arrested of the charge of looting while serving as a colonel with General Huerta in his campaign against the rebel leader Orozco, has escaped from the military prison. Villa, who was awaiting trial, sawed through the bars of his cell window. For years Villa was a notorious bandit. He joined the Madero revolution, but declined to join the Orozco movement. He defeated the Orozco forces at Farral, but in turn was defeated.

Turks Driven Out of Zone.
 London.—After four days' fighting in the district between Bata and Daitchi, ten miles north of Alessio, the Turks were driven out of the neutral zone on Friday. They lost several hundred killed and wounded, while the Serbian casualties numbered 200. A Greek steamer has brought to Durazzo great quantities of war stores and twelve guns from Salonika.

Want to Kill Off Rabbits.
 Mason, Tex.—Petitions were prepared and sent to every community in Mason County for the purpose of being signed generally by the people, asking the next legislature to pass a special law authorizing the commissioners court to pay a bounty of not exceeding \$1 per dozen for jackrabbits, and 50c per dozen for wild rabbit.

Breathe Through Your Ears.
 In those prehistoric times "When you were a tadpole and I was a frog" we breathed through our gills, and if we still did tuberculosis and all kindred germs would have a batting average of 100.

Such are the teachings of Dr. John Ybiorides, of the University of Virginia medical college, delivered before a local body of doctors according to a Washington correspondent.

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FAINTED WAITING FOR FOOD

While Another Ate His Supper Man's Strength Giver Out Through Sheer Hunger.

The most patient man has been discovered. He is John Smith, locomotive engineer, who waited for a waiter to bring his supper a few nights ago that he fainted from hunger. He fell from his restaurant chair to the floor and got a severe gash across his head.

Smith went into a restaurant and ordered ham and eggs, fried onions, potatoes, corn and coffee.

In 15 minutes he began to look for his order, but it did not come. He sank back in his chair and waited for another 30. Still the order was not in sight. The waitress informed

him that the order would be in 30 minutes.

Smith sat back for another wait, but 30 minutes more failed to produce his supper. He called out to the waitress to hurry up. Then he began to kick. This stirred up the waitress and she investigated and found the order had been delivered to another patron.

Smith was getting weak, but when the waitress told him of the mistake he told her to give him the order again. The girl had forgotten what he wanted.

ed so S. asks, "What so weak?"

Twenty years ago, when I was a boy, I made another hotel which all waitresses will applaud—Mitt accord.

lan named years ago devices, "I understand all about it and I should like to see a portrait of a woman every day big

city throughout the world.—New York World.

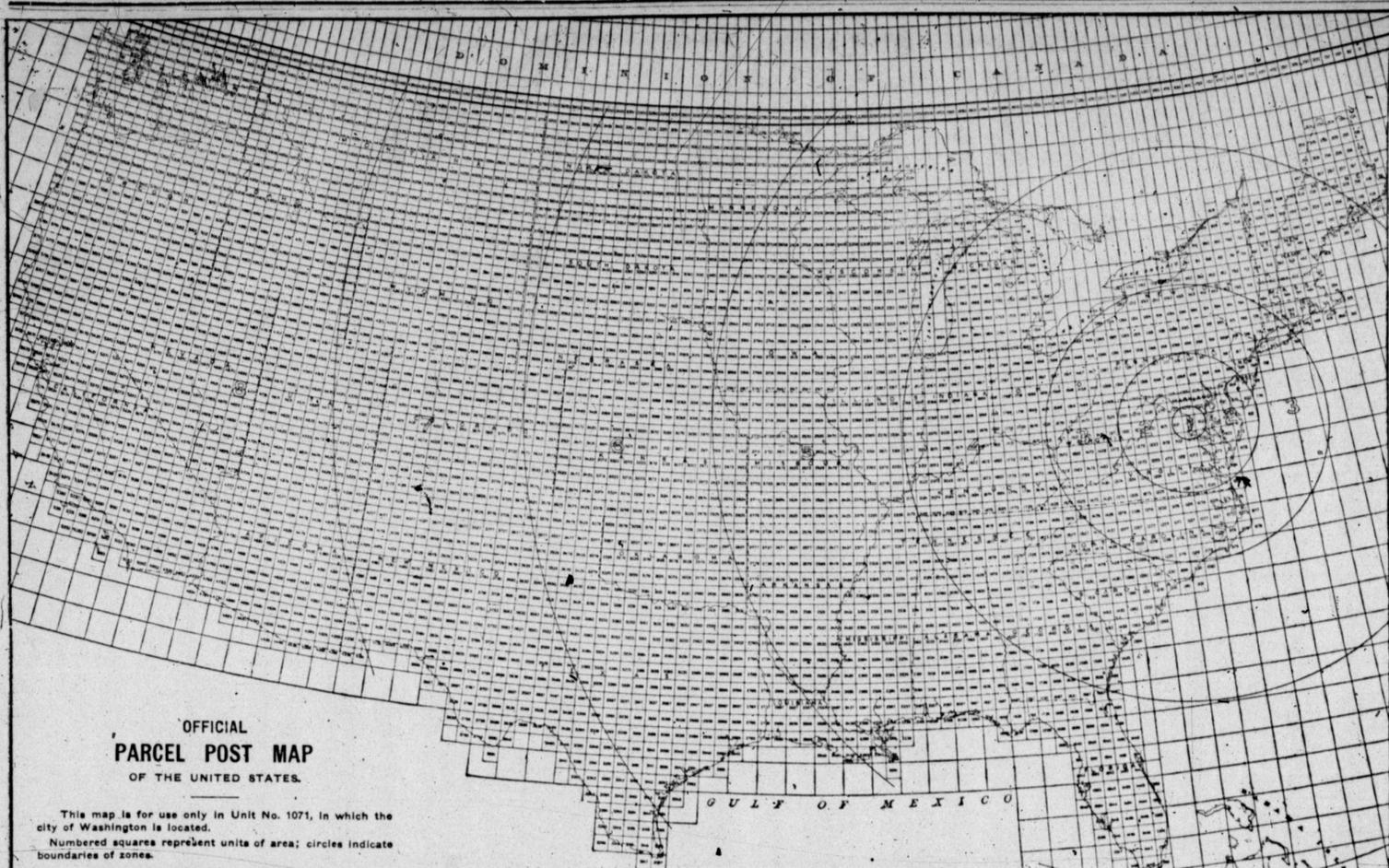
Prove. "I suppose there is no other street in the world that is justifying Brown's despondent when he had to be away from New York for a few minutes."

"No," replied the business person, "who was able to exist in a small town. I guess there isn't which proves that there are some foolish things people don't imitate."

"Get off and let's go to the ball game."

"I got off the other day. Can't repeat so soon."

"I'll go to the theater to-night."



PARCEL POST RATES REGULATED THROUGH SYSTEM OF ZONES

Uncle Sam's New Enterprise Clearly Explained—How Charges Are Fixed and What Class of Merchandise May Be Carried Through the Mails Under the New Law.

By EDWARD B. CLARK.

With the coming of the New Year the United States government will enter into a new field of enterprise—the transmission of merchandise by what is known as the parcel post.

It is no exaggeration to say that thousands upon thousands of inquiries have been made of the postmaster general as to just what the parcel post will mean to the people. It was the law of congress establishing the system which made provision for a system of the country in zones and into 35,000 units which are to be used as centers in describing the zones which mark the boundaries of the zones. There has been no clear understanding; apparently, of this zone system, but really it is a very simple matter. The accompanying map shows the country divided into zones from the unit in which Washington is situated, as the center. Accompanying the map is a table showing the rate of postage per pound for parcels from Washington to places within all the zones.

Each unit contains an area thirty miles square. Now each unit is drawn and so every unit in the country no matter where it is situated will have zones drawn from it just exactly as Washington has been drawn from it. For instance, take Keokuk, Ia., which is in a unit in the fifth zone. From that will be drawn circles exactly as they are drawn from Washington and they will be numbered from Keokuk as number one. Just as they are numbered from Washington as number one. Of course, however, Zone Six will have a different geographical position as related to Washington than it has as related to Washington. The radius of the circles

RULES GOVERNING MAILING OF PACKAGES UNDER NEW SYSTEM

After Jan. 1 One May Mail Anything Weighing Not More Than 11 Pounds by Parcel Post—Perishable Articles May Be Sent Under Specific Restrictions.

Postmaster General Hitchcock has just approved the regulations which cover in detail the articles which may or may not be sent by parcel post.

The rules as to what can be sent and what cannot be sent and the instructions for the preparation of mailable articles with other "official advice" are given here as they have just been prepared by the postoffice department in Washington.

The minimum rate will be five cents for the first pound and three cents for each additional pound to any point not exceeding fifty miles from the office of mailing; the local rate, which is five cents for the first pound and one cent for additional pound, applies to all parcels the delivery of which does not involve their transportation on "frat" way lines. The rates increase for each successive one of the eight zones, the maximum rate being twelve cents a pound, which will carry a parcel across the continent and any of our possessions. Parcels will be limited to eleven pounds in weight and six feet in length and girth combined.

Mailable Perishable Articles. Butter, lard and perishable articles such as fish, fresh meats, dressed fowls, vegetables, fruits, berries and articles of a similar nature that decay quickly, when so packed or wrapped as to prevent damage to regular mail matter, will be accepted for mailing either at the office of mailing or on any rural route starting therefrom. When enclosed in an inner cover and a strong outer cover of wood, metal, heavy corrugated pasteboard or other suitable material and wrapped so that nothing can escape from the package, they will be accepted for mailing to any office within the first zone or within a radius of 50 miles. Butter, lard or any greasy or oily substance intended for delivery at offices beyond the first zone must be suitably packed. Vegetables and fruit that do not decay quickly will be accepted for mailing to any zone, if packed so as to prevent damage to other mail matter. Eggs will be accepted for local delivery when securely packed in a basket or other container. Eggs will be accepted for mailing regardless of distance when each egg is wrapped separately and packed in a container. There is no restriction on salted, dried, smoked or cured meats and other meat products, but fresh meat in any form will be transported only within the first zone.

Parcels containing perishable articles must be marked "PERISHABLE" and articles likely to spoil within the time reasonably required for transportation and delivery will not be accepted for mailing.

Manufactured Articles. Manufacturers or dealers intending to transmit articles in considerable quantities are asked to submit to the postmaster for approval a specimen parcel showing the manner of packing.

Queen Bees and Nursery Stock. Queen bees, live insects, and dried reptiles may be mailed in accordance with the regulations that now apply to other classes of mail.

Seeds of Fruit, Nursery Stock, and All Other Plant Products for Preparation May Be Mailed Under the Same Conditions.

Confectionery and Soap. Candies, confectionery, yeast cakes, soap in hard cakes, etc., must be enclosed in boxes and wrapped so as to prevent injury to other mail matter.

Sealed Original Packages of Proprietary Articles, such as Soaps, Tobacco, Pills, Tablets, etc., put up in fixed quantities by the manufacturer, and not in themselves, unmarketable, will be accepted for mailing when properly wrapped.

Millinery. Fragile articles, such as millinery, toys, musical instruments, etc., and articles consisting wholly or in part of glass, or contained in glass, must be securely packed and the parcel stamped or labeled "FRAGILE."

Unmailable Matter. The following matter is declared unmailable by law: Matter manifestly obscene, lewd, or abusive; articles intended for preventing conception; articles intended for indecent or immoral purposes; all matter of any character, or language of a defamatory, scurrilous, or otherwise objectionable character. All such matter when deposited in a post office

VICTORIOUS ALLIES SHOW THEIR HAND

TERRITORIAL CONDITIONS IMPOSED ON OTTOMAN EMPIRE ARE SET FORTH.

London—After several days of preliminary skirmishing in accordance with the cherished traditions of diplomacy, the Turkish delegates Tuesday faced the real attack of the allies at the fifth meeting of the peace conference which has as an object the settling of the war between the Balkan allies and Turkey.

The victorious allies laid their most important cards on the table. These were in the form of territorial conditions which they had agreed to impose on the Ottoman empire. The demands, as set forth, were:

- Demands of the Balkans.**
1. The cession by Turkey of all the territory west of a line starting from a point east of Rodessa, on the Sea of Marmora, to a point in the Bay of Malatra on the Black Sea and excluding the Peninsula of Gallipoli; Albania's status to be decided in powers.
 2. The cession of Aegean Island occupied by the Greek forces in the present war and by the Italian in the recent war.
 3. The cession to Greece of all Turkish rights in the island of Crete.
- Reserve Financial Proposals.**
- The allies did not reveal the financial proposals which they will make to Turkey, reserving them for a future meeting.
- Before the allies presented their specifications the Turks announced that their government was prepared to proceed with the negotiations, leaving the question of revictualing Adrianople for discussion between Turkey and Bulgaria. They abandoned their previous request to provision Scutari and Janina.

"Impossible to Accept."

The formal conference lasted only a quarter of an hour. The Turks listened to the proclamation of the fate of their European empire without formal comment and asked for an adjournment until Saturday to consider the allies' demands. In the formal conversation with the delegates, which consumed an hour, the Turks asserted it would be impossible for them to accept such terms, but that statement is inevitable in meetings of this character and was expected.

Autonomy of Albania.

The allies will recognize the autonomy of Albania under the suzerainty of the porte, but not its sovereignty. Albania will become what Crete was and what Egypt is in its relations to Turkey. The sultan will be the nominal ruler, but without political, administrative or military power. He will have the right to raise his flag in Albania and appoint a resident governor, but only for the purpose of ratifying the decisions of the local government.

From Hospital to Prison.

Memphis, Tenn.—L. T. Ward, a former minister and cashier of the suspended Bank of Colvierville, Tenn., was taken from a local hospital, where he was a patient, to the county jail Tuesday and imprisoned, charged with larceny and the embezzlement of \$28,000 of the bank's funds. An indictment against Ward was returned several days ago, but because of his illness he was not arrested until Tuesday, when County Physician Graves examined the accused banker and reported that he was not suffering from a serious ailment.

Bandit Killed by Passenger.

Tulsa, Okla.—An unidentified negro was shot and killed while attempting to rob the crew and passengers of the St. Louis and San Francisco train No. 12, Oklahoma City to Kansas City, shortly after the train left Chandler early Tuesday evening. It is claimed the negro had killed another negro before boarding the train. The bandit was shot by an operative of a detective agency, who was a passenger.

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Perishable articles such as butter, lard, fruits, berries and dressed fowls may be sent short distances.

Eggs for local delivery when packed in containers may be sent. When packed separately they may be sent any distance.

Fresh meats may be sent only in the first zone (50 miles).

There are no restrictions on salted, dried or cured meats or fish.

Millinery, toys, musical instruments, glassware and breakable goods must be marked "FRAGILE."

The following may not be sent: Intoxicating liquors, poisons, matches, explosives, firearms and live poultry.

Books and printed matter are included in third class and may not be sent.

The weight limit will be eleven pounds.

To find the size limit: Take a piece of string 72 inches long and wind it once completely around the parcel and then across the top lengthways. If the ends of the string reach the sides of the parcel it comes under the limit.

Regular carriers will deliver parcels wherever possible.

Parcels must be mailed at the postoffice or branches and special stamps must be used.

Pilots BombarDED by Greeks.

Constantinople.—It is reported from the island of Chios, off the Turkish Asiatic coast, that the Greeks have bombarded the village of Pilos, where the Ottoman wounded are in a hospital. It is stated also that the Greeks forced the Mussulman islanders to sign an address to the Ottoman garrison advising its surrender and notifying it of the defeat of the Turkish fleet by the Greeks.

St. Petersburg.—An imperial decree issued Tuesday forbids the circulation of military or naval news of any kind whatsoever. The decree remains in force for a year. It gives in minute details a list of matters which must not be touched upon.

Fokio.—More than 200 Japanese coal miners were entombed and were probably killed in an explosion which occurred in the Ubari colliery at Sapporo, on the island of Hokkaido, Tuesday.

Heid in \$50,000 Bond.

Pittsburg, Pa.—Elmer Moore, an attorney, waived a hearing before an alderman Tuesday and was held for court in \$50,000 bond to answer to the charge of embezzling \$187,000 from the Federal Oil and Gas Company of Oklahoma.

Shreveport.—State Bank Examiner W. L. Young Saturday issued a call for quarterly report from the state banks showing their condition at the close of business December 18.

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A Happy 1913,
 The Kerrville Advance wishes to thank its patrons and the kindness of those who have patronized it since it was established on Jan. 17, 1912. The many kind words of appreciation and encouragement we have received from the people in this section is worth more to us than money. Many objections and some strong opposition have been met since we came to Kerrville, but we have tried to be patient and charitable with those who have seen fit to oppose us. In fact we have not had time to stop and think much about our troubles. It is best that we haven't probably, for we might have gotten mad and acted ugly.

We hope during the year 1913 to get out such a good paper, one that will be such a credit to Kerrville and be so fair to all the people and the whole section of the best country on earth, that even those who have opposed us will be ashamed of it. We want to say that we hold no malice toward any person; we just want to treat everybody exactly right and of course hope to receive our treatment in return. We do not court the ill will of any one, but of course we cannot sacrifice principles that are dear to us in order that we may please somebody.

The paper will continue to stand for what we believe to be the best interests of all the people. If we can have your support and co-operation we shall succeed, if not we shall fail. And now, wishing one and all a Happy and Prosperous New Year, we shall set our face to the future with the firm resolution that we will make the very best of the opportunities that may come to us.

New Temperance Club.
 According to the Chicago Tribune there is in Chicago a "bartenders' temperance club." In an address before this unique club last week J. E. O'Brien, the secretary, said, "a guy can't tend the bar and hit the booze and make good." This advice is good for both sides of the bar. No saloon keeper would keep in his employ a bartender who patronizes the business. So he in effect condemns his own wares and business. No one can "hit the booze and make good," and the new year is a good time to resolve to leave it alone and to make the resolution good.

WHAT a joy was Christmas to the little ones. How their eyes sparkled and the color glowed in their cheeks at the sight of their patron saint, good old Santa Claus, who represents the spirit of kindness, good cheer and joy. "Except ye become as little children ye shall not enter the kingdom of Heaven," said the Founder of Christianity, who was Himself a child.

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No. 1. 2680 acres in ranch and farm. 15 miles north-west of Kerrville, two hours' ride with a loaded wagon to shipping point and good market. Kerrville, Texas. 100 acres in cultivation, and 60 acres of this has been irrigated with a 12 H. P. engine. 100 or more acres can be put in cultivation in one body and three or four hundred can be put in cultivation in smaller tracts. 400 acres will cover the roughs on the whole tract. There is a mile river front on the Guadalupe River, with over-lasting water. 8 room house, large sheds and barns. Pasture, and in fact the entire 2680 acres is fenced with an 8 barbed-wire fence and is goat, and hog proof around entire tract. There is a pecan grove on the tract which yields from 1000 to 2000 pounds of pecans. Price is \$10.50 per acre, with 1-3 cash, and balance at low interest and on terms to suit purchaser.

No. 2. 301 acres on Turtle Creek 9 1-2 miles from Kerrville on Rural Daily mail route and telephone line. Has 60 acres in cultivation. Well watered. School house on land, good community. A fine place. 150 head of good goats and 100 head sheep go with place. All for \$6,000 if sold at once.

160 acres black land in Jones Co., 10 miles from Abilene and 1 mile from Hamby. 90 acres in cultivation, 50 more tillable. 6-room house almost new, well, etc. \$40 acre.

Two well improved homes in San Antonio, one and one-half blocks from Beacon Hill car line on San Pedro heights. Each has 6 rooms, bath, front and back galleries, water works, electric lights, lavatory, etc. \$6,500 for both. Will consider some ranch property in part payment.

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No. 3. 800 acres 4 miles from Kerrville, 20 acres in cultivation, balance pasture land, all fenced hog proof. Good 6-room house almost new, with fire place. Good spring near house, other springs in pasture. Price \$5000.

No. 4. 528 acres, 374 in one tract, 1 1-2 mile from Kerrville. House has 7 rooms, 1 under-ground cistern, one tank over-head-water works all through house, hot and cold water in bath rooms, toilet, gas lighting plant, and lights through house, irrigated garden, modern in every particular. \$31.50 per acre.

154 acres in other tract 2 miles from Kerrville, un-improved, except for fencing. \$25.00 per acre.

446 acres 1 mile from Center Point, 50 acres in cultivation, 150 more tillable, 20 acres in orchard, fine pecan grove, 12 acres under irrigation, 2 good wells and tank, fair improvements. \$25 an acre.

8 lots in Center Point, fenced chicken proof and into six separate parts, for yard, garden, etc. Nice orchard, good 5-room house and outbuildings, good well and 3,000 gallon tank with complete water works. \$1600, half cash.

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Items of Local Interest

Newt Gibbens and wife of Alvarado are visiting relatives here.

Mrs. E. K. Carr is visiting her sister, Mrs. Sam C. Polk at Austin.

Ladies' Visiting Cards printed in the latest style at the Advance office.

Mr. and Mrs. Almer Jones of San Antonio spent the holidays here with relatives.

Charles Lee Mason left Saturday for Highland Falls, N. Y., where he will enter school.

Mrs. H. V. Scholl of San Antonio is visiting in Kerrville, the guest of Mrs. Robert Saenger.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Smith returned Christmas eve from a short visit to San Antonio.

Eric Beercoft, who is attending the Tivy High School, spent the holidays with his parents in Montel.

Miss Minnie Sweatt, of Devine, spent the holidays here visiting her sister, Mrs. S. M. Dubose.

Robert Callahan of the Advance force spent Christmas with his parents at Hondo.

Miss Hester Schreiner, a student in San Antonio, spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Schreiner.

Misses Clara Corkill and Ferrol Rawson entertained a large crowd of the younger set at the Corkill home on New Year's eve.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Morriss have returned to their home here after a visit of several months with their daughter, Mrs. Owen Anderson, at Olney, Texas.

News was received on last Tuesday of the death of Miss Sallie Gammon of Rural Retreat, Va. Miss Gammon was an aunt of J. T. S. Gammon of Kerrville.

The friends of Mr. E. J. Koenig will be sorry to learn that he has been right seriously sick at Fredericksburg where he went to spend the holidays.

Miss Addye Roebuck who had been visiting her two brothers, J. E. and T. B. Roebuck of this city, left on Monday morning for her home in Tennessee.

The big Clearance Sale to begin January 8, at the old Dietert stand by the new proprietors, D. R. Williams Co., is announced in this issue. Read their big ad.

Miss Minnie McCurdy of the Paris Millinery Co. spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. McCurdy at their farm home near Bandera.

Don't fail to read the Parcels Post articles in this issue. The rates, rules and zone map will be found on page 3. Cut this out for future information.

Mrs. Oscar Rosenthal of Houston is a welcome visitor among her relatives and old friends in Kerrville.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus F. Schreiner spent Christmas with relatives in San Antonio.

Miss Hazel Fuller of Center Point is spending the week here visiting her friend, Leah Buckner.

Rev. Dr. H. M. Kemper filled his regular twice-a-month appointment at the Harper Parish last Sunday.

The Advance appreciates the nice list of New Year's subscribers received this week.

Douglas Motley, wife and baby, returned a few days ago from Junction and spent the holidays here.

Sheriff J. V. Moore and family attended the funeral of Bert Crotty at Center Point Friday.

Mr. C. E. Obar of Gonzales spent the Christmas holidays here with his aunt, Mrs. Mary Newton.

Start the new year right by subscribing for the Advance. The price is only \$1.00 and it is worth more.

Miss Callie Shelburne who is attending a business college in Houston spent the holidays with home folks here.

Rev. J. H. Jackson was in Kerrville Monday on his return home to Ingram from attending the Baptist Fifth Sunday meeting at Center Point.

Miss Olive Wells arrived at home Saturday before Christmas from the Normal School at San Marcos on a holiday visit to her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wells.

Ivey Burney, who is studying law at the State University, visited his parents, District Judge R. H. Burney and wife, here during the holidays.

Hon. A. M. Kennedy, Representative from this district, and Mrs. Kennedy, left Saturday for Austin where they will remain during the session of the Legislature which meets the second Tuesday in January.

Rev. D. P. Airhart expects to fill his appointments at the Baptist church Sunday. He will deliver a special New Year's sermon at 11 o'clock and hopes to have a full attendance of his congregation.

C. A. Deering, teaching school at Chocolate Bayou and his brother, Wilbur, teaching at Beakiss, Texas, spent the Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Deering, of this city.

The young ladies of Kerrville gave their final leap year dance at Pampell's Hall on Christmas morning from 5 o'clock to 9. Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Adkins, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Weston, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Schreiner, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rawson and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Johnston were the chaperones.

Miss Kitty King visited relatives and friends in Boerne last week.

Miss Sarah A. Scofield and niece Florence spent the holidays in San Antonio.

Miss Lucile Williamson entertained the Philathea class of the Baptist Sunday School at her home on last Friday afternoon.

T. D. Baker from his farm down the river was a caller at the Advance office on Christmas eve and entered his name on our subscription list.

Erwin Mittanck who is attending the A. & M. College came home to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Mittanck.

Eugene Butt returned to his school at Mountain Home after spending Christmas with home folks in Kerrville.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hoffman of Houston are the guests of Mrs. Hoffman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. Pfeuffer.

Mrs. R. Galbraith accompanied by her son, Dr. E. Galbraith and daughter, Miss Florence, left Sunday afternoon, Dec. 22, to spend the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. Beercoft, at Montel, Uvalde County.

Miss Mary K. Thompson, a teacher in the public schools in Houston, came up Dec. 21 to spend the holidays with her younger sister, Miss Margaret, at the Andrew Stevens ranch on the Harper road. She returned yesterday.

Attorney Gilbert C. Storms left on Friday before Christmas to join his wife and baby who went down some days before to spend the holidays. He went via Center Point and Bandera where he had business. He expects to be home Saturday.

The Baraca and Philathea classes of the Baptist Sunday School were given a New Year's entertainment at the home of Rev. and Mrs. D. P. Airhart last night. A number of friends of the classes were invited and altogether there were about 40 present. A delightful time is reported.

P. C. Sharp, editor of the Bandera Enterprise, was in Kerrville Tuesday of last week in the interest of his paper, and made this office a pleasant call. He says Bandera is taking on new life already since the school bond election carried. He was accompanied by Wilmer Stevens.

Prof. P. H. Dawson, teacher of the Japonica school was down Christmas eve to meet his wife who had just arrived from Bryan after some weeks at the bedside of a sick daughter. Prof. Dawson stated that big preparations were being made for the educational rally to be held at the Japonica school house on New Year's day.

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Mr. Joseph Carper who has been living in Kerrville for the past six months left with his family, Saturday, for Uvalde where they expect to locate. Mr. Carper and family are splendid people and we regret to lose them as citizens of our little city. He sold his interest in the real estate business he had established here to his partner, Mr. R. L. Doyle.

Misses Edith and Ethel Buckner, daughters of R. E. Buckner, arrived in Kerrville Dec. 21 and spent the holidays with their uncle, T. A. Buckner and family here. Emmet Buckner and family have moved back from North Texas and will probably locate at Sabinal or Utopia. Later Mr. Buckner writes that he has just bought a farm 4 miles from Utopia containing 346 acres for which he paid \$5,000.

New Year's Greetings

Our sincere well wishes and greetings to our many friends and patrons.

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The Baptist Fifth Sunday meeting which was in session at Center Point from last Thursday till Sunday was attended by quite a large delegation from Kerrville, as follows: Rev. A. P. Robb, wife and son, Rev. B. T. Mayhugh, Mr. R. S. Newman and family, Mrs. J. T. S. Gammon, Miss Graves Dewees, Miss Helen Airhart, Miss Gertie Inscore, Miss Minnie Williams, Miss Gladys Howard, Messrs. Paine Williamson, Otto Ranz, Paschal Rodgers, Sid Williams, Louie Moore, Robt. Callahan.

Mrs. F. L. Fordtran and son George and daughter Jesmyr arrived from their late home in Houston a few days before Christmas and spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Hughes on their ranch on the Divide. Mr. Hughes is Mrs. Fordtran's brother. All the people of Kerrville will be glad to know that Mrs. Fordtran and family are moving back to Kerrville. They will occupy the river edge lately occupied by Representative Kennedy and family, their home place being occupied by Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Adkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Dietert and their son Ruben came up from their new home, Lytle, the first of last week to visit relatives and old friends. Everybody in Kerr county knows and esteems Otto Dietert, who was born and reared in the county and was tax assessor for five terms and only left the office when he moved to Lytle last year. He is in the lumber business at Lytle and has already become an Alderman of that thriving town. Mr. and Mrs. Dietert and Ruben went to Fredericksburg Saturday morning to visit Mrs. Dietert's parents, and returned Sunday in time to take the evening train for home. They were accompanied by Fredericksburg by Mr. and Mrs. T. F. W. Dietert and family.

Sunday School Anniversary

The Methodist Sunday School will have a special anniversary service next Sunday morning. Twenty-one years ago, the first Sunday in Jan., the Sunday School was organized.

Beginning at 10:30 o'clock, the service will continue into the preaching hour, it being the only service of the morning. Come everybody, especially all former members are urged to meet with the S. S. that day.

All Stars 13, High School 0.

The Tivy High School football team was defeated by the All Stars of this place Wednesday on High School gridiron by a score of 13 to 0. The town team is a good deal heavier than the school boys and most of the players are experienced in the game. The All stars excelled in line bucks while the school boys made some good gains on end runs.

The game was a close contest from start to finish and was witnessed by a large crowd of enthusiastic spectators.

Ingram Locals.

Well, Christmas with its joys and sorrows has passed and I hope everybody was remembered like I was. Mike gave me an order for 1 dozen fruit trees, all cherry trees. Roy Murphy gave me a soap receipt; our mayor 1 dozen cans of hominy, the old fashioned kind; our city marshal 1 airgun. It shows how I am appreciated by my friends.

On Dec. 25 Robert Hall and Miss Etta Jackson were married at the home of the bride and left last Saturday for Waco to make their home. The groom has a government position there.

Rev. J. H. Jackson came near losing his life the week before Christmas. After he had driven the horse and buggy inside his lot, the horse became frightened and went sailing around the lot at about a 1:40 gait, the old Brother holding to the lines. They ran under a tree tearing the top of the buggy off, then they collided with the wood pile, throwing Bro. Jackson out and fracturing one rib and spraining his wrist and one ankle. He says nothing but a merciful providence saved his life.

M. D. Henderson, the Mt. Home politician, was in Ingram last Saturday and says he has applied for a position as River Guard in his community as there is a great deal of smuggling.

Pink Lee of Kenedy spent Christmas here with Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Lee.

John Jackson spent Christmas here with home-folks.

The Tivy House, under new management, is making special inducements to regular boarders. Everything has been placed in first class condition and their table is supplied with the best that can be procured.

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The patrons of the Japonica public school had a big educational rally at the school house on New Year day. The whole community turned out and indulged in a good old-time picnic. Prof. Alvin Dille, Supt. of the Kerrville schools, made an educational address. This is the first move in an effort to vote bonds for a new school house in that district.

The large vase given away by H. Noll Stock Co. Dec. 26 was won by P. Allen, A. Beckman and Hy Beauman counted the beans in the large jar as 2803. Seven persons guessed 2800 beans, whose names were put into separate envelopes and shuffled and upon first draw P. Allen's name was drawn and the vase was given to him.

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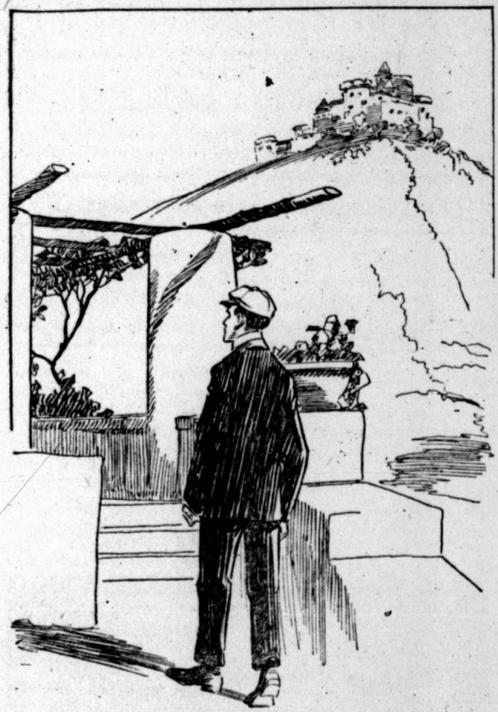


CHAPTER I

What's in a Name?

To possess two distinctly allied red corpuscles in one's blood, membership if not in fact, two characters or individualities under one epidermis, is, in most cases, a peculiar disadvantage. One bears of accident and saints striving to consume one another in one body, angels and devils; but oftentimes, quite innocently and to being a curse, these two warring temperaments become a man's ultimate blessing; as in the case of George P. A. Jones, of Mortimer & Jones, the great metropolitan Oriental rug and carpet company, all of which has a dignified, successful career. George was divided within himself. This he would not have confessed even to the trusted if battered ear of the Egyptian Sphinx. There was, however, no demon-angel sparring for possession of George's soul. The difficulty might be set forth in this manner: On one side stood inherent common sense; on the other, a boundless, rosy-tempered imagination which was likewise inherent—a kind of exquisite imagination of suitable modern pattern. This after ego terrified him whenever it raised its strangely beautiful head and shouldered aside his grandfatherly angel for that's what common sense is, argue to what end you will and pleaded in that luminous rhetoric under the spell of which our old friend Sancho often fell asleep.

P. A., as they called him behind the counter, was but twenty-eight, and he was vice-president in his late father's shoes he didn't wobble round in them to any great extent. In a crowd he was not noticeable; he didn't stand head and shoulders above his fellow-men, nor would he have been mistaken for near-sighted persons, the myopes for the Paterfamilias Apollo in the flesh. He was of medium height, beardless, slender, but tough and wiry and enduring. You may see his prototype on the streets a dozen times a day, and you may also pass him without turning round for a second view. Young men like P. A. must be intimately known to be admired; you did not throw your arm across his neck, first-off. His hair was brown and closely clipped about a head that would have gained the attention of a phrenologist, if not that of the casual passer-by. His bumps, in the phraseology of that science, were good ones. For the rest,



He Haunted the Romantic Quarters of the Globe; He Was Romantic.

he observed the world through a pair of kindly, blue eyes. Young girls, myopic through ignorance or silliness, seeing nothing beyond what the eyes see, seldom gave him a second inspection; for he did not know how to make himself attractive, and was mortally afraid of the opposite, or opposing sex. He could bullyrag a sheik out of his camel's saddle-bags, but petticoats and lace parasols and small Oxfords had the same effect upon him that the prodding stick of a small boy has upon a retiring turtle. But many a worldly-wise woman, drawing out with tact and kindness the truly beautiful thoughts of this young man's soul, sadly demanded of fate why a sweet, clean boy like this one had not been sent to her in her youth. You see, the worldly-wise woman knows that it is invariably the lay-figure and not Prince Charming that a woman marries, and that matrimony is blind-mat's buff in grown-ups. Many of us lay the blame upon our parents. We shift the burden of wondering why we have this fault and lack that grace to the shoulders of our immediate forbears. We go to the office each morning denying that we have any responsibility, we let the boss do the worrying. But George never went prospecting in his soul for any such cross philosophy. He was grateful for having had so beautiful

a mother, proud of having had so honest a sire, and if either of them had ended him with false words he did his best to even up the balance. The mother had been as romantic as any belle of old New York, but she was a practical business woman, which is a practical business man, which is a practical business man, which is a practical business man.

After leaving college he was given a modest letter of credit and told to go where he pleased. He went to the Holy Grail, and there are more roads to that than there are to Rome. One may be reasonably sure of getting into Rome, whereas the Holy Grail is always the exact sum of a bunch of lay hanging before old Dobbin's nose. Nevertheless, George followed his fancies with loose rein. He hunted romance, burrowed and plowed for it; and never his spade changed musically against the hidden treasure, never a forlorn beauty in distress, not so much as chapter one of the Golden Book offered its dazzling first page. George lost some confidence.

Two or three times a woman looked into the young man's mind, and in his guilelessness, they effected sundry holes in his letter of credit, but left his soul singularly untouched. The red corpuscle, his father's gift, though it lay dormant, unconsciously erected barriers. He was innocent, but he was no fool. That one year taught him the lesson, rather cheaply, too, if there was any romance in life, it came uninvited, and if courted and sought was as quick on the wing as that erstwhile poesy must.

The year passed, and while he had not wholly given up the quest, the practical Percival to shelve it indefinitely. He returned to New York with thirty-two pounds sterling out of the original thousand, a fact that rejuvenated his paternal parent by some ten years.

"Jane, that boy is all right. Percival Algonquin could not kill a boy like that." "Do you mean to infer that it ever could?" Sometimes a quail wrinkled her conscience. Her mother's heart told her her son ought not to be shy and bashful, that it was not in the nature of his blood to suspect ridicule where there was none. Perhaps she had handicapped him with those names; but it was too late now to admit of this, and useless, since it would have remonstrated the evil. Jones hemmed and hawed for space. "No," he answered; "but I was afraid he might try to live up to it; and no Percival Algonquin who lived up to it could put his nose down to a Shah Abbas and tell how many knots of his turban he believed. I'll start him in on the job tomorrow."

Whereupon the mother sat back dreamily. Now, where was the girl worthy of her boy? Monumental question, besetting every mother, from Eve down, Eve, whose trials in this direction must have been remonstrating. George left the cellar in due time, and after that he went up the ladder in bounds, on his own merit, mind you, for his father never stirred a hand to boost him. He took the interest in rugs that turns a buyer into a collector, it became a fascinating pleasure rather than a business. He became invaluable to the house, and acquired some fame as a judge and an appraiser. When the chief-buyer retired George was given the position, with an itinerary that carried him half way round the planet once a year, to Greece, Turkey, Persia, Arabia, India, the lands of the gent and the bottles, of arabesques, of temples and tombs, of many-colored turbans and flowing robes and distracting tongues. He walked and always in a kind of mental enchantment.

The quiet and elusive, Oriental, with his sharp practices, found his match in this pleasant young man, who knew the history of the very wools and cottons and silks woven in a rug or carpet. So George prospered, became known in strange places, by strange peoples; and, save romance, light of foot and enter of eye, pass and repass; learned that romance did not essentially mean falling in love or rescuing maidens from burning towers and wrecks; that, on the contrary, true romance was kaleidoscopic, having more brilliant facets than a diamond; and that the man who begins with nothing and ends with something is more wonderful than any excursion recounted by Sinbad or any tale by Scheherazade. But he still hoped that the iridescent goddess would some day touch his shoulder and lead him into that maze of romance so peculiar to his own fancy.

And then into this little world of business and pleasure came death and death again, leaving him alone and with a twisted heart. Riches mattered little, and the sounding title of vice-president still less, if it was with a distinct shock that he realized the mother and the father had been with him so long that he had forgotten to make other friends. From one thing to another he turned in hope to soothe the smart, to heal the wound, and after a time he drifted, as all shy, intelligent and imaginative men drift who are friendsless, into the silent and intimate comradeship of inanimate things, such as jewels, ivories, old metals, rare woods and ancient

The Girl from Carthage

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embroideries, and perhaps more comforting than all these, good books. The proper tale of how the afore-said iridescent goddess jostled (if it scarce may be said that she led) him into a romance lacking neither comedy nor tragedy, now begins with a trifling bit of retrospection. One of those women who were not good and who looked into the deep pool of the boy's mind saw the barmaid loitering there, and made note, hoping to find profit by her knowledge when the pertinent day arrived. She was a woman so pleasing, so handsome, so adroit, that many a man, older and wiser than George, found her mesh too strong for him. He planned to marry her, and with all the preparations of men and women of her class and caliber without variation do.

Late one December afternoon (to be precise, 1909), George sat on the veranda of the Hotel Semiramis in Cairo. A book lay idly upon his knee. It was one of those yarns in which something was happening every other minute. As adventures go, George had never had a real one in all his twenty-eight years, and he believed that fate had treated him rather shabbily. He didn't quite appreciate his romance. No matter how late he wandered through the mysterious bazaars, either here in Egypt or over yonder in India, nothing ever bettered more exciting than an argument with a carriage-driver. He never carried small arms, for he would not have known how to handle them. The only deadly things in his hands were bass-roads and tennis-rackets. No, nothing ever happened to him; yet he never met a man in a ship's smoke-room who hadn't run the gamut of thrilling experiences. As George was a liar, and he believed that he saw and most of what he heard.

Well, here he was, eight-and-twenty, a pocket full of money, a heart full of life, and as hopeless an outlook, so far as romance and adventure were concerned, as an old maid in a New England village. "George, you old fool, what's the use?" he thought. "What's the use of a desire that never goes in a straight line, but always round and round in a circle?"

He thrust aside his grievance and surrendered to the never-ending wonder of the Egyptian Nile. The Nile, the date-palms, black and motionless against the translucent blue of the sky; the amethystine prisms of the pyramids, and the deepening gold of the desert's brim. He loved the Orient, always so new, always so strange, yet ever so old and familiar. A carriage stopped in front, and his gaze naturally shifted. There is ceaseless attraction in speculating about new-comers in a hotel, what they are, what they do, where they come from, and where they are going. A fine elderly man of fifty got out. In the square set of his shoulders, the flowing white mustache and imperial, there was a suggestion of militarism. He was immediately followed by a young woman of twenty, certainly not over that age. George sighed wistfully. He envied those polo-players and gentleman-riders and bridge-experts who were stopping at the hotel. It wouldn't be an hour after dinner before some one of them found out who she was and spoke to her in that easy style which he concluded must be a rather than an accomplishment. You mustn't suppose for a minute that George wasn't well-born and well-bred, simply because his name was Jones. Many a Fitz-Hugh Maurice or Hugh Fitz-Maurice might have been—But, no matter. He knew instinctively, when elegance was seen he saw it, and this girl was elegant, in dress, in movement. He rather liked the piffle of her skin, which hinted that she wasn't one of those athletic girls who bounced in and out of the dining-room, talking loudly and smoking cigarettes and playing bridge for six-penny points. She was tall. He was sure that her eyes were on the level with his own. The grey veil that dropped from the rim of her simple Lexington hat to the tip of her nose obscured her eyes, so he could not know that they were large and bright and indefinitely sad. They spoke not of a weariness of travel, but of a weariness, misery and death itself. It is a common observation that objects are rarely as they would shock, are, in tragic and such like representations, the source of a very high species of pleasure. This, taken as fact, has been the cause of much reasoning. This satisfaction has been commonly attributed, first, to the cause of the nature, to attribute the cause of feelings which merely arise from the mechanical structure of our bodies, or from the natural or constitution of our minds, to certain conclusions of the reasoning faculty on the objects presented to us; for I have some reason to apprehend that the influence of reason in producing our passions is nothing near so extensive as is commonly believed.—Edmund Burke.

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OLD HOME OF SIR REYNOLDS

Wonderful Landscape Scenes Are Described in Verse by Noted Poets.

London.—All artists and lovers of paintings will be interested to know that Wick House, on Richmond Hill, once the residence of the great painter, Sir Joshua Reynolds, is, like many other noble mansions in the neighborhood, in the market. It is situated on that wonderful terrace at Richmond, whence one of the most perfect views of marvelous scenery in southern England can be obtained. Poets and novelists, as well as artists, have tried to describe its perfections. No wonder the beauty-loving eyes of Sir Joshua was attracted by the scene. He ordered the architect, Sir William Chambers, to build for him this house on the site of an old cottage, which was demolished in order to make room for the artist's dwelling place. It has been much enlarged since Sir Joshua's



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time. From the window of the drawing room he painted one of his very few landscapes. And what a wonderful view it is which is commanded by the terrace! The beautiful River Thames is seen like a gleam of silver descending through the rich landscape and curving round the foot of the hill. Its banks thickly wooded. Ham House, the historic seat of the earl of Dysart, Petersham, and Twickenham are in sight, and far away in the dim distance rises the round tower of lordly Windsor, and on the left the outline of the Surrey hills. The poet Thompson described this scene in his "Seasons," when the beauties of "Summer" inspired his pen:

Here let us sweep
The boundless landscape; now the rapid
Exulting, swift to huge Augusta send,
Now to the sister hills that skirt her
plain.
To lofty Harrow now, and now to where
The sweetest Windsor sits his princely brow
In lovely contrast to this glorious view.

He goes on to describe where "silver Thames first rural grows," and "Ham's embowering walks," and the matchless vale of the great river. Thompson wrote, and so he points to the Muse's haunt, Twickenham's bowers, and implores to heaven the healing of his friend, and then proceeds to recount the other beauties of the scene.

Another great writer took in the "Heart of Midlothian," Scott in the duke of Argyll and Jeanie Deans alike from the carriage to contemplate the wondrous landscape. We need not retell the grand description painted by the great writer; but when the duke tells Jeanie that there is nothing like in Scotland, Jeanie remarks on the fine breed of cows, but adds: "I like just as well to look at the cranes of Arthur's Seat and the sea coming in ayont them, as at a' these muckle trees." It would never do for "Auld Scotland" to be beaten.

CAN'T ESCAPE HIS SHADOW

Englishman Unable to Prosecute Man Who Follows Him Everywhere He and Wife Go.

London.—A remarkable story was related at the Highgate Police court by a young man who applied for a summons against another man. He ago he summoned the man for threatening him; and the man was then cautioned. Since that time the man had persistently followed him and his wife about wherever they went, although they lived at "Pinchley and he at "Crouch End." The man never said anything to them, but simply followed them, and when they went indoors he walked up and down outside watching the house. "The man is quite entitled to the use of the road," said the judge, "and in following you and your wife he is offending against no statute. He is quite within the limits of the law."

GUN BETTER THAN SERMONS

Methodist Missionary Tries How His Progress as a Man Won Over His.

Over this, he customs only by his mind as distasteful to his mind as being a receiver of stolen goods. He had already paid a goodly sum against the purchase; and it was not likely that a man who was down to reversing his collar and cuffs would take back the rug and refund the money. The Yorlides was his, hang pen what might. So conscience snuffed out her red lantern and retired. (TO BE CONTINUED.)

Happens Sometimes.

"Get off and let's go to the ball game." "I got off the other day. Can't repeat so soon." "Then we'll go to the theater to-night." "Can't do that either. The office plays a double-header and we work to-night."

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DREW THEM UP TOO STRONG

Testimonials Had Wrong Effect on Youth Whom It Was Desired to Get Out of the Way.

Ellhu Root, at the chamber of commerce dinner in New York, said: "There are hundreds of thousands of people outside the great industrial communities who think the chamber of commerce a den of thieves, who think that the manufacturers of the country are no better than a set of confidence men."

HARD LUCK.



Mrs. Jackson—Doctor, will my husband pull through? Dr. Endicott—Oh, yes; I think so. Mrs. Jackson—Then I'll think so. Mrs. Jackson—Then I'll think so. Mrs. Jackson—Then I'll think so.

Merely an Amateur.

A man who lives much at hotels had some odd experiences during the strikes of the waiters in New York and Boston. On the morning after the strike was called in New York hotel, the manager had hired all applicants for jobs at waiting, and the one who took this job was a tough person.

Important to Mothers.

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the signature of Dr. J. C. FLETCHER.

She Was Anticipating.

"When he proposed to her she knocked him down." "Draculous! What did he say to that?" "He yelled: 'Hold on! Hold on! We ain't married yet!'"—Houston Post.

This Year's Freeze.

Mrs. Yeast—Going to bother putting a new freeze around the apartment this winter? Mr. Yeast—Oh, no; I guess the janitor will attend to that.

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Heredity.

Knicker—Very talkative, isn't she? Hocker—Yes, her father was a barber and her mother was a woman.

NOT FIT FOR LADIES.

Public sentiment should be against it, and we hope it is. There can be no reason why ladies should have to suffer with headaches and nervousness, especially when there is a remedy that gives such prompt relief. It is simply a question of getting the medicine to try. All druggists sell Dr. Williams' Pink Pills in 50c and 1.00 bottles. Adv.

Best Way.

"How can I float a loan?" "Borrow from the men who are trying to get into the swim."

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Quite a logical sequence to the board, brilliant stripes of the English cricket coat, making its appearance in the checker board coat and caps, of which a picture is shown here. Nothing could be simpler in its composition than the coat. The material will not allow decoration other than the plain horn buttons which appear on the cuffs and fasten the belt.

TAKE CARE OF YOUR LOOKS

Much Wisdom Conveyed in This Advice That a Woman Gives to Her Sisters.

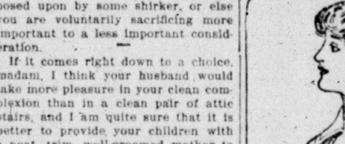
One reason why so many women begin to "go off" in their looks after thirty is that they are in the habit of carelessness about their appearance. In particular, the woman that marries and has children is very likely to fall into the notion that "it doesn't matter how mother looks."

BEADS OF ALL SORTS WORN

No Article of Personal Adornment is More Popular Than Strings of These Trimmings.

Since the early days, when the ancients first wore strings of beads, they have become a permanent article of personal adornment. Bead chains, ranging from the simple rope of pearls to the amber, jet and crystal necklaces, are fastened around the throat, and their beauty is to the toilette. The short string of pearls in its fashionable as ever, and bead trimmings are enjoying a very prominent place.

NEW MODEL FOR CLOTH WAIST



This new and simple model is of cloth with vest of the same, which is made with a wide box plait, the latter ornamented at the top with a strap of the material and buttons and loops.

Novelty Buttons in Neckwear.

One of the most striking features of the smartest neckwear is the large use made of small button garnitures. The Bry Goods Economist, Rhinestone, jet, crystal, cloth covered and pearl buttons store. In the order mentioned, the fact that many of the button-trimmed novelties come rather high can easily be accounted for when one considers the cost of the novelty buttons used. At the same, the smartness of the styles depends to a large extent upon the clever arrangement of these buttons.

Evening Shoes and Buckles.

Among the accessories of dress on which time and money are being lavishly expended this winter are evening shoes and buckles. For the former beautiful and costly brocades and damasks are employed and in colors to match the gowns, while gold beading much favored. Jeweled buckles of great price either of plated or plain satin, but two loops of black velvet ribbon are seen coming from the latter beneath the buckle. Plain flowers supply a touch of color.

PLEASANT TIME IN PROSPECT

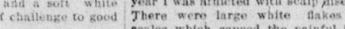
Bachelor Brother Now Knows Something of the Duties That Fall to the Young Mother.

"I was visiting my married sister in Toledo last week," relates "Buck" Hawk. "She's got a three-year-old kid, and while I am fairly fond of children, I am a bachelor and somewhat of a playboy. I was rather dismayed, therefore, when my sister proposed leaving me in the house with the child one afternoon. And here's what she said: 'Don't put yourself to a bit of trouble—he can take care of himself. See that he doesn't climb up to the pantry shelves and keep an eye on him so that he won't get into any mischief. He won't annoy you. Don't let him go down cellar and watch that he doesn't get hold of the books in the library, and he'll amuse himself all right. If he cries, give him a cookie, and if that doesn't stop him, rattle him on your back. But don't let him bother you a bit. I'll be home in an hour!'"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

SCALES ON SCALP ITCHED

Muskogee, Okla.—"For more than a year I was afflicted with scalp disease. There were large white flakes or scales which caused the painful itching and my scratching would bring blood and cause sores. My hair came out in large quantities and what remained was thin, dry and lifeless. My temples were completely bare. During this time I tried everything that I thought would help me but nothing seemed to do any good. A friend advised me to try Cuticura Soap and Ointment. 'I bathed with Cuticura Soap and applied Cuticura Ointment. At the end of about four weeks my scalp was sound and well and my hair had thickened up and grown wonderfully in such a short time.'" (Signed) Mrs. D. W. McClellan, Dec. 16, 1911.

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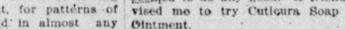


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Free View at the Lake.

"Finest and viewdriest place. Baths and toilets on modernist principles. The hotel not being adapted for health resort of ill, is only preserved for the enjoyment of passengers, tourists and sportsmen."

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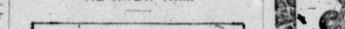
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Will Irwin, the superior, was holding forth upon the superiority of California over Florida as a winter resort. "Florida," he said, "is too relaxing. This is due to the laid air of the swamps." "There's a story about a young man who was being examined for admission to the Florida bar. The examination ran thus: 'Young man are you malarial?' 'Yes, sir.' 'Can you ride?' 'Yes, sir.' 'Do you own a horse?' 'Yes, sir.' 'Is he a good swamp swimmer?' 'Yes, sir.' 'Then, young man, I welcome you to the practice of law in this district.'"

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