

Sensible Gifts

Most people like gifts that are useful as well as attractive.

We have arranged a great array of such gifts.

MANICURE SETS, FINE BRUSHES, IVORY GOODS, LEATHER GOODS, CARAFES, FANCY TOILET SOAPS, FOUNTAIN PENS, HOT WATER BOTTLES, STATIONERY, ATOMIZERS, FLASH LIGHTS, SHAVING SETS, SMOKING SETS, ETC.

These are but a few suggestions. An inspection of our stock will reveal many more gift ideas and eliminate the worry which usually attaches to holiday shopping.

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WANT TO BUY OR SELL SOMETHING?—TRY AN
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Young Thompson vs. Midget Allen

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Tickets on sale at Palace Confectionary and Depot Pool Hall.

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WINTER WORK IN GARDEN BIG AID

"Farmettes" Should Begin During Cold Weather Season for Spring Planting Time.

CLEANING UP IS IMPORTANT

Rubbish and Dead Plants Should Be Raked Up and Burned to Protect Crops of Next Season From Injurious Insects.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Home gardens were homes to thousands of families in the United States last season, and the garden habit seems to have become fixed with a large number of persons.

In most sections the late fall gardens were killed by frost and in many cases the debris still litters the ground. Bean poles and tomato stakes, with their burden of frost-killed vines, are toppled over and give the garden an unkempt and ragged appearance. Aside from the aesthetic influence of cleaning up the garden, it is important, specialists of the United States



Winter Cleaning Up in Garden.

Department of Agriculture say, that all rubbish and dead plants be removed and burned to protect the crops of next season from the insects and disease spores which infest the debris. A few hours of work in the garden now will save serious losses another year. Gather the bean poles, tomato stakes, and any removable trellises or wires, store the good ones until they are again needed; then pull, rake together, and burn all the dead vines and plants left in the garden. If these are too wet or green to burn, they may be gathered in small piles for a few days to dry and then piled together and burned.

Spread Manure in Winter.

Winter is a good time to spread rough manure over the garden. This serves a double purpose, in that it adds fertility to the soil and also protects the soil from washing and blowing. Heavy clay soils should be broken up and left rough and lumpy before applying the manure. The kind of manure to use for this purpose is not important, so long as it is not filled with weed seeds or trash of any kind. Manure in which straw has been used for bedding can be taken direct from the stable and spread on the garden as a surface cover during the winter, the rough part being either plowed under in the spring or raked off and put in the compost heap. The finer part, remaining on the ground can be worked into the top soil in preparing the seed bed next spring.

Compost Heap Helpful.

Compost made by piling up sorts, manure, and any material having fertilizing value will be needed in preparing special soil for seed beds and for starting plants next spring. Now is the time to make a compost heap. The best method is to obtain a load of manure, prepare a level space 4 by 6 feet, spread 2 or 3 inches of the manure over this space, follow with a layer of soil which has been chopped into pieces with a sharp spade, then additional layers of manure and soil until all of the manure has been used.

As a rule, the natural rainfall during the winter will be sufficient to keep the pile properly moistened, and no watering approaches a roof of boards, or other covering, should be placed over the pile so it will not be too wet for use when needed. When the time comes to use it, the compost should be cut from one end of the pile with a sharp spade, then thoroughly worked over and screened before it is placed in seed boxes or in the hottest.

Experienced gardeners keep a compost heap going in one corner of the garden from one year's end to another, and all surplus manure and soil are placed in it. As a consequence, these gardeners always have a supply of good loam for preparing special plant beds or top-dressing a piece of land for the growing of lettuce or other intensive crop.

PHOSPHORUS FOR FERTILIZER

Method Devised by Department of Agriculture for Obtaining Material From Raw Rock.

A new method is said to have been devised by the United States Department of Agriculture for extracting phosphorus from raw rock phosphate. If it proves practicable it may revolutionize the fertilizer industry.

Or

Mrs. Crabshaw—You must go to the dentist and have that tooth pulled. White—Don't say that, now, I'd rather get in a fight and have it knocked out. New York Sun.

Let "His" Gift Be— Something He Can Wear



Yes---Madame
and
Mademoiselle

THIS IS YOUR MAN'S STORE

He gets his things here 270 days in the year and the happy reason you won't run into him here today is because he stopped buying December 1, figuring you would fill his stocking with the gifts he likes. The story is short—our list is long.

Shirts, Hosiery, Neckwear, Gloves, Mufflers, Belts, Handkerchiefs, Traveling Bags, Sweaters, Pajamas, Suspenders, Bath Robes, Auto Robes, Umbrellas, Arm bands, Garters, Hats, and Caps.

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Mrs. Harding Shops for Christmas



Mrs. Harding's first Christmas shopping was not in a department store. It was at Walter Reed Hospital where she bought handwork of wounded soldiers to give as presents.

HOME COMING WEEK OF GRANGE

(Special to The Observer)

COVE, Dec. 10. — Mt. Pannie

Grange No. 288 held their annual

"Home-Coming" meeting with an at-

tendance of 50 members and visitors.

Barker: Recitation by M. L. Carter;

Four applications were received for

membership. At noon a table was spread with snowy linen and food fit for a king. The afternoon was spent with a program in charge of Mrs. R. J. Baker.

Song, "Star Spangled Banner," by Grange; Declaration of Grange Purposes by M. L. Carter; Song by Cove high school girls; Reading, "What the Grange Has Done in the Past," by Mrs. J. K. Lantz; Address by Rev. Pollard; Accordion solo by Herbert Barker; Recitation by M. L. Carter;

Four applications were received for Response by Rev. Pollard; Song, "Co-

lumbia, Gem of the Ocean." The next meeting will be held on December 17th, for the purpose of electing officers.

A "White Elephant" social will be held at the hall on the evening of December 16th.

Miss Eva Baker is on the sick list. L. V. Johnson and family and R. J. Baker and family were La Grande visitors on Thursday.

T. H. Flint is suffering with pneumonia.

Farmers are plowing yet as the weather remains fine.

How Man Was Made.

How the Earthmaker, making man from bits of clay, first did not bake him long enough and he came out white, and secondly baked him too long and he came out black, and thirdly baked him just right and he came out red, is the Cree Indians' explanation of the creation of the races of man. This and twenty-four other Indian myths are contained in a collection of Indian lore recently compiled by Charles E. Brown, curator of the Wisconsin State Historical museum at Madison.

Mother of Ballooning.

A washerwoman was the mother of ballooning and it all started in France about 1780. The washerwoman wished to dry a shirt more rapidly than could be accomplished by air and sunshine, so she rigged it up over the fireplace. The hot air soon dried the cloth and the woman was astonished to see it round out into a ball and float up to the ceiling. A neighbor named Montgolfier saw the strange occurrence and it gave him the idea from which he made the first balloon.

Master Formerly a Title.

A man is called "Mr." for a reason that dates back to the time when men were called by their Christian names. Certain persons who had learned and practiced a trade, or "mystery," and were considered of a higher rank than common farm hands, had "master" applied to their names as a title of respect.

Hokum.

Civilization is largely the escape of the race from a belief in hokum. How much hokum do you believe in? Always some.

She Collects Trophy Cups



A Miss Becky Lanier looks like a silversmith's saleswoman here, but she isn't. She won all those trophies by her riding ability at home shows and hunting meets. She began to ride at five and since then has accumulated 60 silver trophies and 510 ribbons—most of 'em blue.

Libby's Pickles

ARE DELICIOUS

Sour, pint	30c
Sweet, plain, pint	35c
Sweet, mixed, pint	30c
Dills, pint	20c
Sour in gallon glass	\$1.50
Sweet, in gallon glass	\$1.90
Cane Sugar, 100 pound sack	\$6.97

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