



With the whirr of Santa's aeroplane way up in the distance—or the jingle of his reindeers' sleighbells resounding back o'er the snowy hills—with the spirit of Christmas in our hearts and yours, we wish you, one and all, Friends, Patrons and People of Union County,

A MERRY CHRISTMAS



A Good Place to Trade

PLAY USHERS IN CHRISTMAS

South Powder (Special)—The North Powder school closes for the holidays with a beautiful Christmas play called "The Bells." The grade children of the North Powder schools have been for some weeks preparing for the "Christmas play" entitled "The Bells." This has been done under the teachers' direction, 27 children took part in this play in full costume. There were five bells—Christmas Bells, Wedding Bells, Valentines Bells and at the end several little single bells danced in the capitulated with their partners in dancing. The Wedding Bells were in costume with the wedding party in full regalia. The minister, bridegroom, bride, best man and bride's father were all in full dress. The Greek music were continued as the music of Greece in older days. The "Old woman Mammy" of the north appeared, told what had happened to the best and that was the dinner bell which called her to a room dinner. The drama was wisely advertised and a large crowd witnessed it, and by their hearty applause testified to their enjoyment of the fine program which was given by the school. The North Powder school have a good corps of serious teachers and the children showed for their careful acting that they had been carefully trained. Words of commendation for both children and teachers were heard on every hand by those who saw the play.

Nearly every room in the grade school had a tree or combination with other rooms and had a real Christmas tree. The trees were prettily trimmed and the treats were of candy and nuts by the teachers to their pupils. Old Santa appeared and made his customary visits to all the rooms. The little folks were delighted to see him. The older ones had lots of fun at his expense, presents and good wishes were heard on all sides. Another Christmas is past and all are the better for it and the innocent fun and jollity that the occasion afforded.

The various teachers are leaving for their various destinations to spend their holidays. They are all planning a jolly time for their vacation and no one doubts it more than the hard working teacher and no one enjoys it more for the short time they have.

Leaves For Hoboken—Mr. Coffey who has been manager for the Standard Oil here for some years will be transferred to some other place by the first of the year. Frank Mercer who has been with them for two or more years will be sent to Hoboken. These young men are well and far orably known here and their friends hate to see them leave. A trustworthy man will be sent to take their places.

Miss Zelle Wallace and Miss Lila Davis came home on December 20th to spend the holidays with their friends and parents. These young ladies having been

attending the normal school at Mohamouth for the past six months.

ENGLISH PASTOR TOLD TO PAY WIFE \$5 WEEK

LONDON, (L.N.S.)—Rev. John Morley, William, until recently pastor of North Crofton Congregational church, was summoned last court by his wife on a charge of desertion. Letters were presented showing that the pastor had announced his intention of ending his relations with his wife because they had lived in "heat and dog fire." The magistrate ordered the pastor to pay his wife \$5 a week.

JAP CITY BUYS OUTFIT TO REGISTER TEACHERS

TOYO, (L.N.S.)—To find out which part of the city struck the most in the next earthquake, the city of Osaka has purchased ten tromometers and caused them to be placed in various sections of the city. One of the tromometers of Osaka records the movements of the earth's crust 250 times as large. Prediction of the earth at Kobe and Kyoto, cities near Osaka, are said to be much less than those of Osaka.

The college boy's letters to dad indicate an almost complete mastery of the touch system.

FRANCE FEARS EMPIRE LOSS

By Harry R. Plooy, (L.N.S. Staff Correspondent) PARIS.—A military and naval alliance between Italy and Spain, menacing France's Mediterranean connection with her great African Empire—reserve of main power for the next war—is envisaged by the French press in the wake of the visit of King Alfonso of Spain to Italy.

"Kings and Queens don't go to as much trouble for nothing," comments the Matin, and goes on to point out the disadvantages of such an alliance from a French point of view.

Collaboration of the Italian and Spanish fleets in the Mediterranean would result in a combined naval force much more powerful than any France could muster in southern waters. Italy and Spain would have 24 cruisers against France's 15, 29 torpedo boats against only 20 for France.

So long as the Anglo-French entente endures—and it seems now to be standing on its last legs—France has nothing to fear, for the Italian-Spanish alliance could not counterbalance the British Mediterranean fleet. But once the entente goes to smash France's connection with her African colonies will depend upon the success of Italy and of England.

The press suggests that France should join in an alliance with Italy and Spain. Judged by recent events, Mussolini—who is not at all Franco-phile—would not willingly accept such an arrangement. Indeed most of his Mediterranean extension schemes are directed against France.

An indication of this was given in the recent anniversary celebration of Fascism in Italy. According to a Paris radical newspaper the Fascist legions carried banners on which were printed the map of Italy. Curiously the map included Corsica—a French possession—as Italian territory.

The uncertainty of the situation so far as France is concerned, makes a race for Mediterranean naval supremacy, within the limits of the Washington Conference, seem inevitable. At least the French building program, now before the Senate and Chamber, will be seriously considered at the present extraordinary session of Parliament.

The program calls for the construction of six cruisers, 35 torpedo boats, 24 submarines and two mine sweepers. France at present has under construction three cruisers, 18 torpedo boats and 12 submarines. Italy now is building two cruisers.

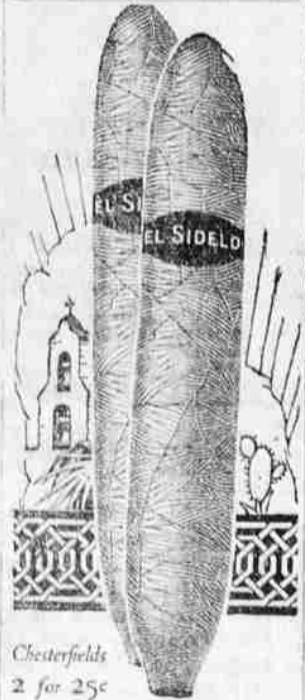
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Germans Show An Interest in All Possible Dictators

BEDLJIN, (AP)—The question of dictatorship, and the possibility of some dark horse bursting upon the horizon and leading the country out of its sore troubles, seems "imperial" today in the mind of the average German.

affairs have come so badly since the Hitler occupation that Germans are universally seeking some unseen force which can make the life of the average man more comfortable. There is a yearning for a Julius Caesar or a Cromwell, or even a Mussolini. And there is a general distrust of politics, more present-day German politicians in much favor. It is not unusual to hear Germans express the wish that they had an iron-fisted man after the style of Poincaré. Much as he is hated for his unswerving course against Germany there is great admiration among Germans for his firmness. The type

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well had the sunken temples of a heavy face, found for Woking. He brought the train to a standstill some time later in the vicinity of Southampton, miles away from Woking. Stammers had forgotten to close a switch, and the engine couldn't see where he was bound for in the fog.

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LONDON, (L.N.S.)—Anything may happen in a Laminar flow. An engineer pulled his train out of Victoria Station recently during a heavy fog, found for Woking. He brought the train to a standstill some time later in the vicinity of Southampton, miles away from Woking. Stammers had forgotten to close a switch, and the engine couldn't see where he was bound for in the fog.

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