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DECEMBER 20

AN END TO WORRY.—Be careful for nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.—Philippians 4:6, 7.

Beware of the Christmas Candle

"How far that little candle throws his beams!" Had Shakespeare penned that line today candor might have prompted him perhaps to add, "And nowhere does its light rest with a more baleful flicker than on the country's fire loss record."

In America, of late years, there has been an unhappy attempt to return the candle to vogue, and Christmas is probably the one occasion upon which many people seem to feel that they cannot get along without this regressive form of illumination. Luckily, the danger of lighting a decorated tree with these little, exposed flames is plain enough to the vast majority of sensible people, who are abandoning candles in favor of the much safer—when properly made and installed—and altogether more effective colored electric lamp sets. Illuminating trees attractively by means of focused spotlights also is safe and this method is growing in popularity.

It is not always recognized, however, that a risk equally great is run by folk who place burning candles, fitted usually into unstable holders, at windows, where a draft from without or the slightest movement of air within the house, may bring into contact with the flames light draperies, dry holly wreaths and other readily ignitable decorations.

To display a light where it may be seen by passers-by is, of course a pretty piece of symbolism but it has, alas, often been converted into a beacon to guide the fire department, and from a token of Christmas cheer has become a signal of distress. Symbolism achieved at the cost of human life, and of property destruction amounting annually to thousands of dollars, is bought at too steep a price to be desirable.

As for the general employment of candles about the house at this and other seasons, it would be more than a little amusing to hear the outcry that would follow an interruption of the local supply of electricity and gas, making the candle a matter not of choice but of unromantic necessity.

According to the statistical records of The National Board of Fire Underwriters the use of so-called open lights results in nearly three million dollars' worth of property destruction in this country every year while to them are due, as well, many of the 15,000 yearly deaths by fire; and one of the commonest forms of open light is the candle. Of course the candle is not the only Yuletide hazard, but since it is an important one, why should it be tolerated unnecessarily? Surely no one can wish to do anything that might cast the shadow of tragedy across the celebration of Christmas.

THE WHITE PLAGUE

From the beginning of the history of modern man the mention of tuberculosis or consumption has brought the feeling of apprehension and abhorrence of the dread disease. This is due, no doubt, to its rapid inroads in the ranks of the human family and of the heretofore helplessness in combatting it. Until recent years consumption was fatal. Once its fangs were fastened upon a member of the human family death was almost sure.

Recent years have witnessed a reversal of the condition. Science, after being baffled for years, learned how to combat the plague. Each year has witnessed a revival of the battle against the deadly disease. Each succeeding year has witnessed a greater degree of success in prohibiting and curing tuberculosis. But, despite the stride of medical science in combatting the disease, it is still claiming the lives of thousands of Americans each year. A recent report of the department of commerce reveals that 90,452 deaths resulted from consumption in 1922. The death rate was 97 per 100,000 of population. The toll in lives is one-fifth of the number killed in the appalling earthquake that recently visited Japan. The world was painfully shocked, appalled and saddened when informed of Japan's tragedy, yet the white plague claims yearly many times that number of the world's population.

The encouraging feature of the recent report is that there is a decrease in the death rate of 2.4 per cent over 1921. In the decrease the Christmas seal has played an important part. Funds obtained from the sale of the little seals have been thrown into a persistent and intelligent fight against the disease. The effects are being felt the gradual decrease in the number of sufferers and in the number of deaths recorded annually.

The annual sale of Christmas seals is now on in Ashland. They have become popular on the Christmas packages and cards. They portray not only the spirit of the

season, but they insure that in the future health will be restored to wasted and diseased bodies; they insure that the bloom of the rose will displace pallid cheeks. These seals, messengers of God and humanity to a stricken people, will mean many a Merry Christmas to added homes. Remember this when you mail your Christmas packages and letters, and in so doing you will be performing your part in the great and noble work of ridding the world of the white plague.

SUCCESS AND FAILURE

An eminent psychologist connected with a well-known school of business administration recently conducted a series of so-called intelligence tests on a group of salesmen. These men had all been employed for many years by the same firm and were regarded as highly successful. Yet in the psychological test, their rating was decidedly low. Here was a strange situation. The men's employers regarded them as both successful and intelligent. Their work spoke for itself. They must have been intelligent in a practical way. Yet a standard test, which had come to be regarded as dependable, indicated that they were not intelligent. Something was wrong, either with the men or with the method of testing them. The investigator was unwilling to believe that there should be such a wide difference in intelligence as shown in everyday affairs and in laboratory test. He therefore made further inquiries. And he found the answer!

The men were employed to sell standard articles long in common use, and disposing of them depended more on perseverance than on selling ingenuity. None of the salesmen drew a large salary, for the firm could not afford to advance them beyond a certain point. In other words, there was no brilliant future with that firm, no matter how good a salesman one might be. There was the answer: If these salesmen had been really intelligent, they would not have worked for so many years for a firm that offered them small chance of advancement. The smarter they were the sooner they would have resigned. The test was accurate after all!—Fred Kelly in The Nation's Business.

The foolish man is one who hocks his bonds to invest in fake stocks.

The trouble is that many folks demand that life be mostly jokes.

Troubles with a man who is a wonder at talking is wonders never cease.

First paper money in America was issued in 1690. Some of this has never seen a collection plate.

THE FORUM

Articles of timely interest are welcomed under this head. Communications must bear the signature of the author.

EDITOR TIDINGS

As a new arrival in Ashland, who purposes to make this beautiful city his permanent home, permit me to make a few suggestions that might be of interest to the people here resident. These suggestions are rather random in character and cover some of the salient points that have appealed to the writer since his arrival a month ago.

Firs of all it appeals to the writer as a good policy for the residents of this city to advertise only the disagreeable and detrimental features that are a part of every community and keep mum about its good points—that is if you wish your city to retrograde instead of progress. For the same reason you should absolutely refuse to advertise in any manner.

The writer is familiar with all of the states west of the Missouri river and knows from his own observations that Oregon is superior to all of them—but, for the love of mother-in-law, don't tell anybody for fear of an influx of energetic people with lots of, more or less, dirty dollars to disturb your placid stagnation? serenity. If anybody should be so foolish as to try to start any agricultural or industrial project in, or near, your city, give him the Pola Negri stare, get out your double-jack and start a swat-fest—but first dangle some black crepe from each ear indicating that your brains are dead.

If you are in the real estate business and a newcomer tells you exactly what he wants in the way of a piece of property, pay no attention to his expressed wants but try and sell him something ten times as valuable because your commission will be larger. If you really know of just the property he describes intimate that your time is too valuable to waste on such playboyish deals and indicate the door—he will gladly close it from the outside and you will save at least a part of your valuable time.

The writer is fairly bristling with these kindly suggestions and will gladly furnish them in wholesale lots free of cost.

What's that? "Please go way and let me sleep."
Oh, ALLRIGHT—if you feel that way.

Ambro S. Park.

Grants Pass—New electrically equipped mill of Marble Mountain Lumber Co. ready to start operations.

Classified Ads Bring Results

CLEVELAND SET TO GREET CONVENTION

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the convention city when plans were under way for the installation of powerful broadcasting station, and the farmer on the plains of Kansas or from the Dakotas, as well as the banker in Wall Street or in cultured Boston, will have an opportunity—provided he is equipped with a first-class receiving set—to hear everything which takes place at the open sessions of the convention without leaving his home.

Facilities Ideal. A survey of convention facilities made by Roscoe J. Tompkins, chairman of the hotel committee and manager of the Hollenden Hotel, showed that Cleveland has more than 17,000 first-class hotel rooms at the disposal of convention guests. This total included only recognized first-class hotels, and when other hotels, rooming houses and private residences are taken into consideration it was said the vast crowd would be amply housed. Restaurant facilities here are also excellent, so the hungry are assured of their "three squares," restaurant men asserted.

These Three Did It. Credit for securing the convention for Cleveland is given here

to three men, Roscoe J. Tompkins, former manager of the Blackstone Hotel, Chicago, now vice-president and general manager of the Hollenden; Colonel Carmi A. Thompson, and Congressman Theodore Burton, of Cleveland.

Chin, Chin, Chinaman

There is a Chinese legend of a noble lady, who, from an excessive fondness for foxes, finally turned into a beautiful fox herself. We think our heroine is likely to be in danger of so weird a fate, but she shows enough fondness for silvery fox fur and the Chinese silhouette, to call the story to mind. The Chinese influence, foreshadowed at the Blue and Gold Chinese Grand Prix Bal is charmingly embodied in this fascinating coat of silver-gray Fawnkrepe, with its characteristic straight line and slashed sides. Its Chinese origin is further emphasized by bandings of Mandarin blue Cheney velvet. The huge upstanding collar and wide flare cuffs of fox fur lend a particularly gorgeous aspect to the ensemble, and if the single button of fur which marks the neck closing serves to indicate the rank of the wearer, as did the buttons of the mandarins, then certainly this coat might belong to a "mandarin" of the first rank. We shall soon be hearing a great deal about the Chinese Blues, says Henri Creange, the fashion authority. They are not, as one might think, the latest in fox-trots, but a prophecy that blues will return to a place of authority in the color world next season, displacing from their proud eminence the Brown family which has attained such prominence lately. Mandarin is a new, intense, and very beautiful blue, particularly favored in combination with black, silver gray, and beige. Others in the family are titled Ming, Mai Fong, Mongol, and Manchou.



KING GEORGE MAY NOT RETURN TO HIS THRONE

ATHENS, Dec. 19.—King George and Queen Elizabeth, forced from their country by political pressure, have departed for Rumania. Although the King refused to indicate, it is believed in some quarters that he will never return as the reigning monarch. Revolutionary government has appealed to Former Venizelos to return from Paris to assume leadership.

INHERITANCE TAX PAID ON WHEELER ESTATE

SALEM, Dec. 20.—Inheritance tax on the Oregon estate of N. P. Wheeler, who died at Endeavor Pa., March 3, 1920, has been settled on the basis of \$87,084.97, principal, and \$6,998.63, interest according to announcement made by the state treasurer here today. Mr. Wheeler, prior to his death, owned property in Oregon valued at approximately \$1,345,599.68. Settlement of the inheritance tax on the estate has been in progress for nearly three years.

CHINESE ENGINEER IS MADE MASTER OF LODGE

HONOLULU, Dec. 20.—Spau Paul Low, a civil engineer of Wailuku, Island of Lauri, has been elected to the position of Worshipful Master of Maui Lodge, No. 472. The Masonic lodges of the Hawaiian Islands are subject to the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of California. It is said that this is the first time in history that a full-blooded Chinese has been elected to this high office in an American Lodge of Master Masons.



Marie Prevost and Johnnie Walker in "RED LIGHTS" A Goldwyn Picture Distributed by Goldwyn-Cosmopolitan

Eugene to get two new fraternal buildings, addition to hotel, Eugene Guard building, \$225,000 hotel and numerous other improvements in the near future.

Xmas Week SPECIAL

Ladies' White Gold Wrist Watches at Attractive Prices.

T. K. BOLTON
Opposite Ford Garage

Salem—Construction starts on \$35,000 girls' dormitory at Che-mawa Indian school. The Collector of Customs reports that a total of \$1,636,243 feet of lumber passed out of the river during the month of October. Of this amount \$7,470,192 feet were handled by 51 vessels which were loaded in the lower river district, while the remainder was taken care of by 46 vessels loading at the up-river mills.

Good Shoes are just as good Christmas Gifts as good Diamonds

Overland Shoe Shop
Corner Main and Oak
J. D. Mars, Prop.

NEW YORK NEWS LETTER
by Carol Colbourne

New York—Christmas novelties fill with color the shop windows. Equally fascinating to children and grownups are the animal toys in nearly life size, which range from the terror of the jungle to the tiny variety of domestic animal from cows to cats, with Charlie Chaplin in his latest stunt interestingly watching their automatic antics.

One of the big events of the week was the screening of "Anna Christie," the Eugene O'Neill drama pictured by Thomas H. Ince, at Town Hall, under the auspices of the Committee on Exceptional Photoplays of the National Board of Review of Motion Pictures. A large audience composed of leading editors, critics and dramatists, as well as representatives of all the professions, fully approved of the Committee's action in selecting this picture as exceptional.

Blanche Sweet made her return to pictures in the title role. Her years of absence from the screen seem to have added to her ability as an actress.

The Committee on Exceptional Photoplays has approved only a limited number of pictures as exceptional in the three years of its existence. It was created to give invitation particularly of pictures considered "shockingly" praiseworthy. It aims to bring exceptional pictures to the attention of those interested in the development of the photoplay and seeks to build up an organized liberal group which will oppose the "censorship" with its restrictions and arbitrary methods. It also strives to encourage the independent producer to experiment with new types of pictures original in theme and treatment thus keeping alive the creative impulse in motion pictures and furnishing an ever growing audience for the sincere production of serious themes.

"Anna Christie" is being released by the Associated First National Pictures, Inc.

The simplicity of crepe and velvet evening gowns is relieved by bright ornaments of rhinestones or pearls or both combined. They range from simple strands smartly supporting the shoulders of a gown, to intricate spider webs of silver threads and brilliant most effectively placed. Flexible inter-

lacing circles of brilliant set in silver metal hold in place the soft drapery which is still a feature of evening gowns, or are worn as a half belt on the right side to define the low waist line. Parisiennes are wearing daring color combinations, brilliant cerise with soft mauve embroidered with dull silver. Many smart couturiers use flowers or a chou of ostrich fronds as a finish to their gowns. In delicate colors these are often the only decoration on a full skirted frock.

It grows more and more difficult for the censorious to be certain of their right to censor. For several years now, they have taken comfort in the "silly way girls were ruining their health by wearing low shoes and silk stockings in the winter." It was an actual blow to them when wool hosiery came into vogue. But wooly ribs can't be worn with every costume and so there are still opportunities for shudders of disapproval. There are going to be a good many disappointed disapprovers this year—if they learn the truth. But maybe they won't, for ankles will be more clad in sheerest silk, they may be snugly and comfortably covered underneath with a warm protection of wool. The newest things in the smart woman's winter wardrobe are "Gotham Invalides," flash-colored knitted spats that come just up to the knee which we put on and draw our silk hosiery over and which keep us warm and somehow manage to live up to their description of invisibility.

New red satin ribbons for tying Christmas parcels have hair line stripes or figures of gold. They vary in width from one to four inches. Elaborately decorated French gift boxes are square, oval, round, oblong, diamond or heart shaped. They are covered with gay French prints, or are painted with Watteau scenes, figures or flowers.

TRADE RECORD AMERICAN MANUFACTURERS ENCIRCLE THE GLOBE

Growth of our exports to Australia an evidence of their success in gaining and holding world markets.

The popularity of American manufactures on the other side of the globe is evidenced by the persistent growth of our exports to Australia and New Zealand. The distance from New York, the chief port through which our manufactures are exported, to Melbourne, the chief port of Australia, is 10,000 miles by the shortest all-water route, the Panama Canal, or 12,670 miles by way of the Suez Canal, yet according to the Trade Record of The National City Bank of New York our exports to Australia in the calendar year 1923 will approximate \$120,000,000 against \$80,000,000 in 1922, and \$44,000,000 in the year preceding the war. And when we realize, says the Trade Record, that manufactures form 90% of our exports to Australia and New Zealand it becomes apparent that the product of the American factory commands the respect of those who make its acquaintance in whatever part of the world.

Not only are our exports to Australia practically three times as much as before the war but they form a much larger proportion of the total imports of that country than in pre-war years. The official records of the Australian Government show that merchandise from the United States formed only 11.9% of its total imports in 1913, while the very latest reports from Melbourne show that merchandise from the United States formed 22% of the Australian imports in the quarter ending with June 1923. Similar conditions also exist in our trade with Australia's sister colony, New Zealand, for our exports to that colony will approximate \$25,000,000 in the calendar year 1923 against 8 1/2 million dollars in 1913, and manufactures form also about 90% of the exports to New Zealand.

This steady growth in the share which we are supplying of the imports of Australia and New Zealand is the more interesting in view of the fact that our manufacturers are making their gains in competition with those of the much older and experienced manufacturing nation, Great Britain, for quite naturally British products are accorded a high rank in the markets of her colonies.

What are we sending to our Australian "neighbors" on the other side of the globe? Everything, from a paper of pins to harvesting machinery, automobiles and locomotives. We would hardly expect that these two great islands with their enormous frontages on the waters of the Pacific would be buying fish from the United States, yet the quantity of canned salmon, a Pacific product, sent to Australia alone in the current year will be about 3,000,000 pounds. Of cotton cloths, exports to Australia for the current year total about 5,000,000 yards, and of petroleum products, chiefly gasoline and illuminating oil, the total to Australia will be 70,000,000 gallons, and to New Zealand about 20,000,000. Of barbed wire the total to Australia is 16,000,000 pounds; of motion picture films 15,000,000 feet to Australia and 3,000,000 to New Zealand; and of agricultural machinery about one-half million dollars.

The American automobile is rapidly gaining in popularity in Australia whose area is slightly greater than that of the United States, exclusive of Alaska, for the total number of automobiles sent to that colony in the 9 months ending with September 1923 was 18,504 against 8,055 in the same months of 1922, and 2,231 in the corresponding period of 1921. The value of the autos sent to Australia in the 9 months ending with September 1923 was in round terms \$15,000,000 against 6 1/2 million in the same months of 1922 and less than 3 million dollars in the corresponding period of 1921.

Practically the only non-manufactured article sent from the United States to Australia in any appreciable quantity at least is lead tobacco, of which the exports to Australia in the 9 months ending with September were 16,538,000 pounds, valued at \$7,226,000.

Give One For Christmas

The Tudor Sedan is a gift every member of the family will share. It adds to daily happiness. It will extend the joyous spirit of Christmas to every day of the year.

This new Ford type is of an exceptionally pleasing design. Wide doors opening forward, folding right front seat, and a roomy interior make it a convenient car to use; its high radiator, broad cowl, sun visor, and large windows make it stylish in appearance. Yet it is sold at the lowest price ever asked for a Sedan—only \$590 f.o.b. Detroit.

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