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SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21. (En Route East)—The Good Ship Sedan has been abandoned again and we are trusting to the S. P. Union Pacific and Northwestern to get us to Rockford, Illinois, in time for Christmas Eve and the first family reunion in a quarter of a century.

Our old friend who received his training on a cattle train was at the throttle of the Shasta last night. How he holds his job is a mystery. Every stop was a miniature collision, and every start a kick in the trousers.

Christmas trees are now the order of day in the metropolises, and Santa Claus is almost as conspicuous in the holding thereof, as a Mayor Baker.

Bakeries of the land have made rapid strides lately. They sell bread already sliced, enabling the daughters of the Orient to get their strength for the dishwashing.

Hobbes Devel of this city and county, is slated to be "one of the outstanding members of the legislature." If Hobbes Devel stands out, as no legislator ever stood out, he will refuse to go to the legislature, and urge that his colleagues do likewise.

A girl in eastern Oregon asks: "If a boy invites me to a show and I obliged to kiss him good-night when I thank him for the evening's entertainment? Other girls tell me that is correct. I haven't been invited yet, but I hope to be some day."

In the rural areas they are hauling in the Yule log, and killing the Yule hog.

BUT NOT GOLF PANTS (Pendleton East Oregonian) Some of the fat men who are taking part in the athletic classes being held at the gymnasium, are protesting the matter of wearing gym suits, account of the manner in which they attack enemies in the odd contour of their persons.

Some more of our promising young men have joined the ranks of those who hold to the theory that two can starve as cheap as one.

A MAIDEN IN DISTRESS (Hood River News-Review) Some days later, "friend" of mine told me she had seen him at the movies with another girl that evening. What would you tell him when he calls up? I know what I think of him, but it wouldn't sound lady-like.

The biting wind of winter has brought out a number of social lions dressed up like French voyagers, which is the best argument against snow.

As usual on Sunday, San Francisco is a deserted city. The Dewey monument in Union Square is covered with a mass of silver tinsel in front of which is a stage massed with evergreens, with huge red candles 15 feet high here and there.

The youngest member of the party loves the S. P. and thinks Mr. Rosenbaum is grand. She particularly fancies the upper berth, where she can perform on the bars, jump up and down, and in the car we occupied at least look out of the windows in the early morning.

Had a chat with a member of the Washington State football coaching staff, en route to Los Angeles to get ready for the New Year's game. He thinks it's a 50-50 proposition, with a hot day his only worry.

"Half a minute more and Southern Cal. would have beaten us," never was the whistle a more welcome sound. I can still see that interference for Misch—like a buffalo stampede with Misch tucked away in the center where no one could get near him.

It depends, says Admiral Pratt, on how many battleships we build, and whether we carry out the airplane program.

Can you imagine even suggesting the possibility of building more battleships, to be hidden away if war comes, or sunk by cheap enemy aircraft if sent out to fight?

And old Enckling, after powder and bullets had come in, offered special rewards to those that should grow fine yew trees, of which bows and arrows were made.

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That note particularly that the guinea pigs escaped infection when they were not brought closer than a meter—about 40 inches—to the face of the person with the disease.

MAIL TRIBUNE DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

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Personal Health Service

By William Brady, M. D.

KEEP YOUR DIBANCE AND ENJOY YOUR HEALTH

A famous bacteriological authority named Pluge showed the importance of droplet infection. He proved, too, that there is practically no risk of contracting tuberculosis by the inhalation of dust.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

They Might Call Themselves Dentists. Your little propaganda to persuade dentists to relinquish the professional use of the title "doctor" seems to have stirred up something like a hornet's nest in some quarters. In view of the fine work

Deaths

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 22.—(AP)—John A. Bernhagen, 50, retired farmer, was found beaten to death in the dining room of his home, Sunday.

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Quill Points

When you tell Willie education will make him famous, you should be prepared to name a few educators.

A president's cabinet must be the most human of institutions. Man is fearfully and wonderfully made.

A minister doesn't prove crookedness, but you hate to think anybody is that dumb.

It's easy to make good without a college education. The hard part, apparently, is to keep still about it.

A Frenchman says the world will end on January 1st, but no matter. Most of us will be in the air then.

Alcoholism, particularly in drinking, is the commonest cause of cirrhosis or hardening of the liver. Probably the excessive use of condiments, highly spiced foods, is a cause, too. Too much mustard and similar dope on eats. Your age is not a cause of any health impairment.

Our 20-month-old boy eats dirt by the handful when he is out playing in the garden. We have tried everything in our power to stop him but just can't do it. Some one said his body needs lime. . . .

Certainly his body needs lime. Every child's body does, and plenty of fresh milk, fresh butter, fresh raw carrot, orange, fresh eggs will provide it. Just punish the child for each offense, by slapping his hand, and presently he will be content to get his peck of dirt like ordinary folk.

Paint corn, wart or callus daily with a solution of 20 grains of salicylic acid in half an ounce of flexible collodion.

When Louise and Mildred were little girls their gay and charming mother used to descend upon the nursery where they spent most of their days in charge of a nurse, to pay them a daily visit before she went out for the evening.

At these moments she would take the children into her arms and ask them if they loved their mother. She would kiss them and no matter how reluctant they appeared make them kiss her in return.

Many tests by other bacteriologists have fairly well shown that the droplets of moisture given off from nose and mouth in the form of visible or invisibly fine spray when one coughs will carry 10 to 12 feet. The range of the spray in sneezing is the same. In talking the range is lowered to four feet or less.

Everybody understands that kissing on the mouth is a very likely way to contract any communicable disease which is communicable through the nose, throat or mouth secretions. The next best way is to conduct a Weber and Fields chat with the person who has the disease or is perhaps just coming down with it.

Children are wise. They know without thinking about it that the parent who makes a point of demanding from them the evidences of affection is somewhere lacking in the quality of his love and they quite properly resent his advances.

Such demonstrations represent in the parent both a compensation for the inadequacy of his own love for his children and a possessive egotistical attitude that would exploit their developing emotions.

Although the annual Christmas outdoor lighting contest does not officially open until Wednesday night, the city has already taken on a beautiful Yuletide appearance. Throughout the residence district scores of attractive displays are in place, carrying holiday greetings and good cheer.

Germany Eat More Meat. BERLIN.—(AP)—More meat is being consumed in Germany now than in pre-war days. Berlin has taken the lead, the annual consumption being 154 pounds for each citizen.

ROYAL CATTLE WIN PRIZES. NORWICH, England.—(AP)—King George has been interested in fine livestock. At a fat cattle show here he won three prizes with his steers and heifers.

Do You Remember?

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY (From files of the Mail Tribune.) December 22, 1920 "Spud" Murphy, prizefighter and notorious San Francisco gangster, found guilty of assault, and faces 50 years in prison.

Home of J. C. Wells on Skiskiyou Heights entered and \$800 in jewelry taken.

The Oklahoma Vampire who slew Jake Hamon, republican leader, telegraphs the sheriff to "come and get me."

300th anniversary of the landing of the Pilgrims celebrated in Boston.

Ward Beene, later a Medford football and basketball star, and one of the best quarterbacks the valley ever produced, arrives from Fairfield, Neb., with his folks.

The Tolo overhead crossing is in miserable shape, and autoists are urged to watch their P's and Q's.

Charivari party on Court street quieted down, when newlywed comes to front door with a shotgun and repels the invaders.

\$500,000 will be spent in city for Christmas.

Purchase of Commercial club exhibit is urged.

Claude Miles will have charge of the selling of city lots in Eagle Point.

Americanism: Passing a law to keep people from drinking wine, ending grape men \$900,000 to establish a wine selling business.

Let's have one more commission, Mr. Hoover, to decide on a definition for righteousness.

The Baltimore Sun wants a more appropriate name for bootleggers. What about "ice saws"? They cut hard liquor.

The remarkable thing about Mr. Hoover's message concerning public problems in that one page evidently dropped out.

One must be a little aloof. Look what happens to the oyster when he comes out of his shell.

Tunney has been dropped from the social register. It just shows that a bride's success in making a man better seldom is permanent.

Mr. Coolidge says a five-day week means less production. It would in fact mean a job for a sixth consumer.

The football hero should enjoy his radio most at 1 p. m. The interference is best at that hour.

A new senator doesn't make a speech at the first session, so Mr. Davis must wait until next March to tell the senate he began as a pudger.

Correct this sentence: "He offered me ten thousand not to raid his place," said the officer, "and I kicked him in the pants."

SUNDOWN STORIES

SANTA'S VISITS By Mary Graham Bonner As Santa Claus was finishing up after toy he talked to John and Peggy about visits he made to different countries.

"In Austria and other parts of Europe," he said, "they put candles in the windows of their homes, and you know how in your own country so many cities and villages have Christmas trees in parks and in public squares lighted a round Christmas time."

"How I do enjoy seeing them as I make my rounds. They look so full of twinkling merriment of this wonderful season."

"We're going to have a tree all ready for you to trim," John told Santa Claus.

"That's splendid!" he exclaimed. "Now when I visit Armenia and Greece and Syria I have discovered that they like to eat lamb for Christmas just as you like to eat turkey with a fine stuffing made of boiled rice and raisins and pine seeds. In Germany they love roast goose for their Christmas dinner."

"I like turkey meat," said John. "So do I," agreed Peggy.

"I think I do too," Santa Claus admitted.

"Now when I go to Nova Scotia" he continued, "there is a town to which the Indians come from their settlement nearby. They bring in Christmas trees in their ox-drawn wagons, and oh, how lovely is the smell from the sea that is along the coast! The Indians make such gay baskets and bead necklaces too."

What a jolly place this was where Santa lived and worked. And when Santa was not talking he was laughing and singing. He was working all the time.

"Whether they hang great old heavy stockings made of thick grey yarn as they used to do when your country was very, very new," Santa said, "or the kinds they hang now makes no difference to Santa! I fill them all!"

Tomorrow—"Candy Animals"

Avoid Tonsillitis

By the regular use of this pleasant mouth wash.

THE MOUTH HEALTH ZEPHYROL KILLING & ANTISEPTIC ALL DRUGGISTS 30¢ & 60¢ BOTTLES

THE NEBBS—Oh, Happy Day

LAST WEEK ROOR SILVIA BOUGHT A FUR COAT AND HAD IT CHARGED. THIS DID NOT SET SO GOOD WITH HER DEVOTED HUSBAND, AMBY, AND IT LOOKS LIKE IT'S GOING BACK. . . .

AMBY, I KNOW THAT I HAD NO BUSINESS TO BUY THIS COAT WITHOUT FIRST CONSULTING YOU AND I'M SORRY. I'M GOING TO TAKE IT BACK.

NO YOU AN'T GOIN' TO TAKE IT BACK—WHEN YOU BOUGHT IT AND AGREED TO PAY THE MAN, WE'RE NOT GOIN' BACK ON YOUR WORD. . . .

OH AMBY, YOU MADE ME SO HAPPY. THIS WILL BE MY FINEST CHRISTMAS.

NOW DON'T COME LOLLYPOPIN' AROUND ME AND IF YOU EVER SNEAK OUT AND CHARGE SOMETHIN' TO ME AGAIN THERE'S GOIN' TO BE SO MUCH FUSS ITS GOIN' TO REACH FROM HERE TO THE COURT HOUSE.