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"Let us have faith that right makes might, and in that faith let us to the end dare to do our duty as we understand it."—Abraham Lincoln.

Shop Early

Only Six Weeks To Xmas

Christmas is now about six weeks hence. Eight days into the near future Thanksgiving will be celebrated. The holiday season is upon us again, together with winter. The stores are beeming with smart things. In fitting fashion, stronger than all others combined, have these two holidays, climaxed by New Year's day, wrought themselves indelibly upon the American people.

Thanksgiving and Christmas co-mingle more strongly as the years pass.

Our grandmothers fashioned bountiful batches of mince meat for both Thanksgiving and Christmas. The plum pudding for Christmas was made about the same time. Nowadays, Klamath women, in keeping with the fashion of the times, begin the Christmas shopping prior to Thanksgiving and immediately thereafter do their mailing of festooned packages. Some of this is, no doubt, traceable to the early shopping campaigns of past seasons.

There was a time when Christmas week was a mad rush. There are still the last minute shoppers, and always will be. All of us can not have well-ordered, provident existences, and plan successfully for the weeks to come. Some even mourn the squandering of our last summer's wages, during Christmas week. Witness the hard-working, happy-go-lucky lumberjack.

But are not the more fortunate ones those who carry the spirit of Christmas cheer on over Thanksgiving, and who do not wait for the swelling, irristible tide of the last week, when the heart of the hardest man melts in the utter warmth of joyous hearts?

One Cause To Be Thankful

Klamath Citizens Can Burn Wood

Representative Loring M. Black, democrat, of New York, has taken issue with President Coolidge on the latter's apparent apathy in respect to the anthracite coal strike in the east. The representative believes that President Coolidge could call the operators and miners together, with a view to an amicable settlement of their difficulties.

All of which may be true, but an achievement more far-reaching would be some way to learn just how those responsible can think up each year some new plausible cause for the annual coal troubles. For twenty years or more all anthracite mining troubles appeared in the fall of the year. Shut-downs, strikes and what-not are evident just when nipping sting of Jack Frost compels the consumer to sigh his sigh, dig a little deeper and wait for the operators, miners, or whoever is responsible, to "spring a new one" next year.

In this respect Klamath folk can be thankful they may keep their families warm at a fairly reasonable cost.

The Berth of a Nation



Publishers Column

Some of the old-time publishers were forced out of business when the public service commissions were established throughout this country. The railroads had been particularly liberal with the newspapers. There were very few newspaper men that did not carry a book of scrip and could board trains at will.

Most of this scrip was given publishers in lieu of money for advertising space. Even newspapers who fought the railroads had scrip. It is a well-established fact, however, that some newspapers were supported by the railroad interests. And the Southern Pacific, in the old days, was a considerable offender.

There has never been a poisoning influence so strong in this country that it has not provided its own anti-toxin. Down in California Hiram Johnson toured the state in an automobile. He was supported by some newspapers. The keynote of his campaign, "Keep the Southern Pacific out of politics," won the approval of the voters. He was swept into the governor's office by a strong majority. And he kicked the railroads out of politics.

Now a strange thing happened. Although controlled by the people's commission in everything it wanted to do, the Southern Pacific soon grew to like it. Some publishers had considered the railroads legitimate prey. The public's interest was not considered. Tactics brought into play did not possess even the saving grace of participation in the loot. It was out and out blackmail, and it was against these that the railroads were forced to defend themselves by supporting more reasonable publishers.

It was no wonder that the railroads were glad to find themselves out of the mess, and under the protecting wing of the commissions. The thousands they had expended for tribute they now spent on legitimate advertising, and in developing communities that would contribute further to dividends.

But it was a bad day for some publishers. Without nefarious gain they were helpless. They tried to bullyrag merchants. Some turned over a new and mayhap a difficult page by becoming decent. One of these latter died the other day leaving several millions, the most of which had come with a reasonable degree of honesty. A few still attempted the old game of blackmail, the new era not having dawned for them. Their scrip has long since been exhausted.

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Heart & Problem

By Mrs. Elizabeth

HER SISTER

Dear Mrs. Thompson: I have been married woman for years. My husband is a fine fellow, but every week he has been driven by his abuse and punishment. He has been working for me to give my children a better life. Now he has a job away from me to go to live. She tells me about me. When for it, she says she is going to break up my plenty of proofs as of a woman she is on up four homes. My husband has left this month. I am killing them both, thought of having and making him an heartbroken married life. When he says he does, When he is sober he beat wife and mother. My children are...

You should have matter long ago. I encouraged him in his too long. Take the courts, not a voice, necessarily, him to support you, sister, deal with her, she were not a certain doesn't desert from you. Your children are to take care of them. You must lead this sort of ready to turn now, then do demand alimony. I never, to think of fever has solved the history of the...

DICTATORIAL

Dear Mrs. Thompson: I have been nearly 17 years in trouble with you. Every time I have to ask him, like that. He has and I don't see why to ask him. When fight at home and sticks up for him, won't speak to me, ward. I told her to pack up my things she always says she to the reform school. I want to know if me to the reform working and lay me. All I get at home lodging. I can't believe of my friends to always says they are my step-father will thing to say, too. do?

When a girl is in school and put to work comes entitled to which are usually done in their teeth. In out into the world should be going to surrender certain of I should think, M. F. should be allowed to tain evenings in and even to have own home. It would be courteous if you your mother and step-father. It would wise of your mother until you are 21 and your guardian has of having your confidence institution, providing prove you are disapproved.

Sunny Dick Says

Little Orphan Annie flew away with a great big mannie. But he flew away with a bird on the stage. So Annie's back at the orphanage.

There is no limit to the ingenuity of modern divorce lawyers, especially when there is no limit to their potential fees. The millionaire youth, Edward Kips Rhineland, is seeking a divorce on the grounds of color blindness. Of course, it was a severe case; he couldn't tell black from white.

Mighty oaks from little acorns grow. Estonia recently funded her debt to us and made first payment, \$1441, in advance. Not to be outdone by a little two-for-a-nickle country like that, Italy now makes her first payment in advance. It's \$5,000,000. Now, France, can't you hear us calling you?

A judge, a gentleman of obvious erudition, asserts that the chief cause of divorce is that wives nowadays would rather have cars than babies.

Detective Lieutenant Potts potts 'em. When a disorderly man beating up a woman drew a gun on him Potts beat him to it, and as a result the world is a little bit better place to live in today than it was yesterday. And the Los Angeles police department has advanced a notch in our estimation.

Former woman national champion swimmer has applied for divorce, but will live with her husband, cook for him, darn his socks, etc., until it is granted. If she is determined also not to speak to him watch out for dirty work on the bench. That husband will sure try to "fix it" with the judge to reserve his decision in the case for a few years at least.

Strange things happen in our own divorce court, too. Our circuit judge announces that the divorce case of a certain prominent Klamath couple is dismissed. Which just shows you that you

never can tell what will happen before the bar of justice these days.

And while we're on this only subject may we not add that it occurs to many a shrewd, not to say interested, observer that just enough applications are dismissed to make it feasible for a lawyer to charge a fee that is "quite satisfactory"—from his point of view—to secure one.

Children's Pictorial Cross Word Puzzle



Running Across. Word 1. The name of Robinson Crusoe's servant. Word 4. The skeletons of animals, found in reefs in tropical waters, and used for jewelry. Word 7. The points of a fork. Plural. Word 8. A man skilled in the use of a pen. Running Down. Word 2. An important city in Wisconsin. Word 3. A rich American territory bought from Russia. Word 5. Upon. Word 6. A prefix.

YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE ANSWERED



Dinner Stories

The company had given the last performance the previous evening and the manager was settling up with the theatre owners. "Your show is the worst we have ever had here," remarked the theatre manager in icy tones, as he handed over a share of the box office receipts to the company's agent.

"That's rather strange!" exclaimed the latter. "Very strange! Why, do you know that when we played in San Francisco we had the longest run the city had ever known?"

"I'm very sorry, indeed!" replied the theatre manager.

"Sorry about what?"

"That the audience abandoned the chase."

Two Irishmen who had just landed in this country had taken rooms in one of the downtown hotels in New York. In the middle of the night they were awakened by a great noise in the street. One of the Irishmen got up and looked out of the window. Two fire engines tore along, belching smoke and fire and leaving a trail of sparks.

"'Thwat is ut?" asked the chap who remained in bed.

"They're movin' hell," said the man at the window, "an' two loads have just gone by."

At a railway siding in Michigan, a man asked the foreman if there was a vacancy.

"What can you do?" asked the foreman.

"Anything," replied the man.

"All right," answered the foreman, "take this oil can and oil the points and crossings up the line."

After an absence of three days the foreman received a telegram, which read: "Dear sir: Arrived at Detroit. Please forward more oil."

A Washington man says the railroads should take the buses, which they will, in time, if the grade crossings hold out.—Indianapolis News.