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The Experiment

VOLUME FIFTY-TWO.

COLLEGEVILLE, PA., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1926.

WHOLE NUMBER, 2683.

THE "HOME PAPER" OF THE MIDDLE SECTION OF PROSPEROUS MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

For The Independent THE NEW YEAR The New Year opens wide the door To joys we never knew before...

ABOUT TOWN NOTES Happy New Year to all! May the year 1927 bring much of good health and prosperity to every reader and patron of The Independent.

CHRISTMAS ACCIDENT FATAL TO ZIEGLERSVILLE AUTOIST John Grebe, Zieglersville, died in Montgomery Hospital at one o'clock Monday morning of injuries sustained in an automobile accident...

TEACHER'S NOSE FRACTURED HELPING TO MOVE PIANO Mr. Harry Dolan, of Royersford, the commercial teacher in the Collegeville High School, received painful injuries when a piano he was helping to move slipped and fell over striking him on the bridge of the nose.

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NATURE TRANSFORMS SCENERY INTO VERITABLE FAIRYLAND Old Mother Nature entered into the spirit of Christmas and while a little belated provided the most gorgeous and magnificent decoration that this old earth could be decked in.

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C. H. S. LOSES LEAGUE TILT TO HATFIELD; GIRLS TIED Fighting gamely but against great odds and a superior team the Collegeville High basketball outfit bowed in defeat to the Hatfield passers on the latter's small floor last Wednesday evening.

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RAMBLING AT RANDOM BY JAY HOWARD How did Santa Claus treat you this year? Christmas always makes a lot of "suckers"—orange suckers.

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COUNTY AND STATE ITEMS Falling on an icy pavement, Frank Schlegel, a former Boyertown policeman, fractured a leg. Falling from a porch, James Richards, aged 84, of Stowe, fractured a hip.

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COLLEGEVILLE, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PA.

E. S. MOSER, Editor and Proprietor.

Thursday, December 30, 1926.

## THE NEW YEAR 1927.

The new year 1927 will soon dawn upon mankind. There is no end to the procession of years. Finite existences—mankind included—in infinite time and space, come and go! Time goes on forever!

The age of the earth, geologically, runs into billions of years. The age of the human race is measured by hundreds of thousands, if not millions of years. A single life of the race—how brief! Generations of men come and quickly depart. Empires, dynasties, kingdoms, democracies and civilizations will rise and fall and rise again until the old earth becomes too cold, and unfitted, for the existence of warm-blooded, oxygen-breathing animals, and—then good-bye, good-night!

Meanwhile, why not as much of heaven and as little as possible of hell on earth? Long enough has man been in creating too much of hell inside and out of himself. When he increases his sanity, his sense of justice, his appreciation of human righteousness, of natural origin, he will quit rushing into war and quit murdering, he will act more sanely and justly, he will practice the Golden Rule, not merely mouth it; he will much more fully enjoy the beauties of Nature—revel in its kindly, constructive moods and adapt himself to or protect himself from its destructive agencies, and so on. All this he may (let it be hoped he will) do. If he will sow the right seed, he will reap the right kind of a harvest. The responsibility for heaven and hell on earth rests squarely upon the members of the human race—nowhere else. The responsibility cannot be shifted. The constructive influences of mankind must win in behalf of the betterment and strengthening of the race, or destructive influences will wipe the race out of existence—even the old earth continues to be fitted for habitation!

"Ahem! Sombre New Year observations!" the reader may exclaim. Yes, and no! There is a big, bright, glorious side to human life. It requires love, work, and sacrifice, to attain it. The effort is always worth while. Do not let us fool ourselves with false notions; with believing that black is white or by imagining that we can gain and hold the good will of our fellow mortals by harming them; by acting unjustly and intolerantly toward them.

May the year 1927 be a happier and better year for all than has been the year 1926; and, all surely includes every reader of THE INDEPENDENT.

## LARGER NAVY DEMANDED.

Thomas S. Butler, chairman of the Naval Affairs Committee of Congress, demands a new navy at a cost exceeding \$400,000,000. Must have it, to match the navies of England and Japan, says the fighting Congressman from Chester county. Josephus Daniels, who was Secretary of the Navy during the two Wilson administrations, declares that other nations "having made the 5-53 ratio of naval strength an iridescent dream", this country has three courses open:

1. To join the League of Nations and insure reduction of armament with safety.
2. Build enough new ships to insure equality upon the seas, or
3. Surrender any pretense of equality of naval strength.

"I believe the first points the way to the right policy. If that is not done, we should pass the Butler bill." Which means that if the United States had entered the League of Nations, and exerted its full influence as a member of the League, Congressman Butler now would not be loudly clamoring for the expenditure of \$400,000,000, just to keep even with Great Britain and Japan in naval warfare equipment, with which, upon some pretext or other, to murder human beings and destroy property. Ye gods! what a proposed costly tribute to something much worse than barbarism in modern civilization!—while the masses of mankind continue on occasion to exist as targets for the destructive implements of human slaughter. What an exhibition of abounding (?) love for mankind, on the part of those who govern (and well preserve their own anatomies) prior to and during destructive military and naval operations.

Dr. Gustav Stresemann, German Foreign Secretary, says Germany (now a member of the League) will work for universal disarmament; also, that the League of Nations has recognized that Germany has disarmed.

But—the League of Nations is not good enough for the United States! Partisan political zealots, jingoists and militarists, do not like it. And they are supposed to be civilized, too.

From the Central News, Parkers, Pa.

## TOO MUCH GRATUITOUS REFORM EFFORT.

There is entirely too much gratuitous effort to reform this old world of ours. There are too many self-appointed reformers seeking the lime-light more than the improvement of conditions and people. No one will admit that conditions and people are what they should be, but everyone will concede that as people change for the better conditions will improve. People will not be changed by shouting, horn-blowing, or anything else of that sort, only by appeal to common sense and reason. They have to be convinced before they see the error of their ways. Somehow or other many of our so-called reformers fail to accomplish much, and finally cease their efforts, and their crusades become matters of history. Many of these imagine they have been appointed by the Lord. The one that accomplishes most is he who works by quiet personal influence with those who are his associates, and these quietly radiating their influence until the circle becomes so large as to be momentous.

## \$4,000,000,000 IN FARM MACHINES.

More than four billions of dollars is now invested in farm mechanical equipment in this country, according to a council appointed by Secretary Jardine to study the subject. Over \$330,000,000 was expended for such equipment in 1925. Power and labor costs of farm crop production on the average make up about 60 per cent of the total costs. In view of these facts, even minor improvements in farm machinery will result in large savings.

## LUMBER COMPANIES PROMOTE REFORESTATION.

Big lumber companies of the West are looking forward 50, 100 and 150 years and are replanting more trees than they are cutting down. They intend to develop their industry along permanent lines. Some of them are even working up, at little or no profit, wood which was formerly wasted, so as to promote timber conservation.

## NEWS FROM TRAPPE

(Continued from page 1)

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Williams and son Franklin, of Moore; Mr. Ralph Diemer, of Spring City, and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Yeager, of Royersford, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Tyson and family on Christmas.

Mr. Charles Maule spent Christmas with his sister, Mrs. Rose Sanslow, of Lansdale.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman H. Bowers entertained Mr. and Mrs. Henry B. Hunsberger and family and Mr. Jacob Bowers on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Williams, of Arcola, visited Mr. and Mrs. A. Wesley Poley and family on Sunday.

Mrs. H. A. Mathieu, Mr. Henry W. Mathieu and Mr. Percy W. Mathieu and family spent Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Fischer, of Mt. Airy.

Mr. and Mrs. George Strickland, of Kemblesville, and Mr. and Mrs. William Clark, of Roxboro, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Elmer E. J. Burns and family.

Miss Louretta Fulmer, of Philadelphia, spent the week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Boettger.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Test and Chas. Test, of Philadelphia, visited Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Sturges and daughter on Sunday.

Mr. William H. Daub, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Daub, Mrs. Annie Stover and Miss Dorothy Frederick, of Philadelphia, and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard W. Omrod and Mr. George Omrod, of this borough, visited Mr. and Mrs. John T. Miller and family on Christmas.

Mr. Edwin Frank, of Cheltenham, was the week end guest of Mr. Jesse Burns.

Miss Sue Fry and nephew Mr. R. F. Wismer, entertained the following relatives on Christmas: Mr. and Mrs. Jacob B. Fry and family, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Siegman and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Fry, of Norristown, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Wismer and grandchildren, of Graterford, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Wismer, and daughter, of Reading, and Mr. and Mrs. Eli F. Wismer and family, of Pottstown.

Mr. and Mrs. John Amberlin, of Vineland, New Jersey, spent the Christmas holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hodge.

Mr. Otto Boettger, Jr., visited Mr. and Mrs. Charles Reiley, of Philadelphia, on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl M. Detwiler and daughter, of Easton; Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Smith, of Mont Clare; Mr. and Mrs. William E. Kuntz, of Collegeville, and Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Alleben, of Evansburg, were the Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Allebach.

Miss Alameda Plank and brother spent Christmas with Mr. Alvin Plank, of Lansdowne.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen E. Bortz, of Collegeville, visited Mr. and Mrs. John Nace on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Johnson and Norris Johnson spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin King and family, of Jeffersonville.

Miss Elsie Dollak, of Philadelphia, and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Adams, of Lansdale, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Fingal and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Reppert, of Zieglerstown, and Mr. and Mrs. Owen Hatfield, of Dunkirk, New York, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Wellington Hatfield and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Heissler, of Delair, New Jersey; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bloomer and son, of Phoenixville; Master Lawrence Eckard, of Norristown; Miss Grace Hefelinger, of Womelsdorf; Mr. Raymond Frolich, of Robesonia, and Mrs. Hazel Knoll, of Kenilworth, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hefelinger on Sunday.

Mrs. Dora Poley and sons spent Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Shalkop.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rommel spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. William Rommel, of Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Tyson and family spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Tyson, of Royersford.

Mrs. Susan Wanner spent Christmas with Mrs. Ermold and daughter, of Collegeville.

Mr. John F. Tyson is confined to bed with grip and bronchitis.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Williams and son and Mr. Luther Treen, of Berwyn, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Treen and family on Christmas Day.

Rev. Frank Bromer, of Hanover, Pa., visited his classmate, Rev. Arthur C. Ohl, on Wednesday.

Preaching service will be held in the United Evangelical church on Sunday, January 2nd, at 10 a. m.; Sunday School at 9 a. m. Watch Night services will be held on New Year's Eve. Everybody welcome.

Augustus Lutheran Church

Twenty members of the choir accompanied by the pastor left at four o'clock on Christmas morning to sing carols thru Trappe and Collegeville, Eagleville and Spring City, returning in time for Matin service.

The annual meeting of the Vestry will be held on New Year's morning at 9 o'clock and the annual congregational meeting at 10 o'clock.

Holy Communion will be celebrated on Sunday morning at 10:15 o'clock with Confessional service at 10 o'clock.

## 6000 TEACHERS TAKE PENN STATE COURSES

Of the many branches of service rendered by the Pennsylvania State College to the public, one that has had remarkable growth in recent years is that of teacher training in the various towns and cities of the Commonwealth.

Started only a few years ago, this Penn State extension feature is now reaching almost 6000 Pennsylvania school teachers in sixty-one communities or school districts. They are enrolled in one or more of 131 different courses offered by the teacher training extension department under the direction of Dr. A. S. Hurrell, of the School of Education faculty.

Fruit Prizes Attractive—A total of \$1,560 will be offered in cash prizes for fruit exhibits at the State Farm Products Show in Harrisburg next January. The special county association exhibit class, not included last year, has been provided again this year. The best exhibit in this class will win \$100.

## FARM CALENDAR

Feed Ewes in Winter—Good leguminous hay, such as clover or alfalfa, is an ideal roughage for breeding ewes during the winter period, say Pennsylvania State College sheep specialists. The best sheep men consider proper roughage of more importance than the grain feed. Where a mixed hay is fed it is advisable to include a small amount of bran or oil meal. The following is a desirable grain mixture fed with hay: 300 pounds of oats, 200 pounds of corn, and 100 pounds of bran.

Plan for the 1927 Garden—A few of the 1927 garden seed catalogs have been distributed by seedmen. The rest will follow early in January. They are more beautiful and interesting than ever. They make very interesting reading after the holiday season when you are looking forward to spring planting. Jot down the varieties and amount of seed you require. Send your order early.

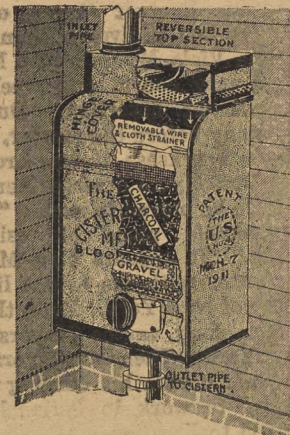
Sows Need Exercise—To help the sow maintain her health and vigor during the winter and to aid her to farrow thrifty, healthy, vigorous pigs in the spring, it is necessary to force her to take exercise. Lying around the nests is a poor substitute for exercise. Put the nest in one spot and the feed and water some distance away, so she will have to walk for her meals.

Water the House Plants—Apply water to the house plants when the soil about them requires it. The amount of water used and the frequency of application depend largely upon the temperature. High temperatures bring loss of water by evaporation. Pot-bound plants require more water than newly potted ones. Plants with fibrous roots usually need more than those with fleshy roots.

## IN COMMUNITY SERVICE

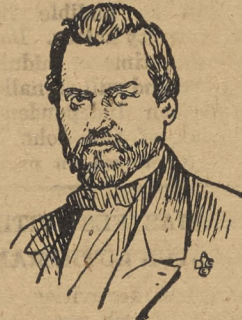
A striking example of what Boy Scouts are doing in furnishing civic service to their communities comes from Pueblo, Colo., where the record of a little over ten months shows that the boys contributed 2260 hours of such service to the community through the medium of fourteen projects, including folding of letters and posters in a health campaign, ushering at public concerts and at the State fair, hunting for a lost man, distributing safety posters, maintaining information booths on highways during conventions and in other ways. This service was rendered by the active membership of 475 Scouts.

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Funeral Director  
COLLEGEVILLE, PA.

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Are "trained" to GRIP every time there is a tendency to slip and at all other times to rest as lightly as down. This ingenious device saves time, temper, digits and fess—also breakage. Ask for "Educated Eyeglasses" AT  
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Choice Candies 15c to \$1.00 lb  
Smoked Meats—Dried Beef, Boiled Ham.  
Picnic Hams ..... 25c lb  
Lard ..... 20c lb  
Harleysville Special Bologna  
Landis Creamery Butter  
Cream Nuts and English Walnuts  
Paper Shell Almonds  
Cranberries  
Celery and Lettuce  
Oysters always on hand.

Horse Shoe Tumblers.... 38c doz  
Steel Traps ..... 15c & up  
Nice and heavy Plaid Outings  
Apron Gingham, special 13c yd.  
Quilting Cotton and Wadding  
Bed Blankets and Baby or Crib Blankets  
Men's Sweaters \$1.25 to \$4.25 ea.  
Flashlights ..... \$1.25 to \$4.00  
Electric Bulbs and Fuses.  
Give us a trial and be convinced. Our prices are right.

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Everything kept in a general store always on hand.

Our aim is to meet the WANTS OF PATRONS both in assortment and quality.

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"You have a very tall wife, have you not?" "Tall? Why she's so tall that she has to stand on a chair to brush her teeth!"—The Progressive Grocer.

### AMERICAN STORES CO.

#### Big Pre-Inventory Sale!

Jan. 1st is our annual inventory, when we assume the stupendous task of counting every item of merchandise in our enormous stocks. In our Hundreds upon Hundreds of Stores, Warehouses, Bakeries, etc., etc., everything must be counted. We always aim to simplify this task by reducing our stocks as much as possible beforehand.

We are therefore making sweeping reductions that afford you a splendid opportunity to save money. Read carefully the list below, and remember that these are all items from our regular lines—Quality Goods—in use in most homes every day.

OUR STORES WILL BE CLOSED NEW YEAR'S DAY!  
Open late the night before to better serve you.

Gold Seal Rolled Oats 2 pkgs 15c  
Quick Cook or Regular. A very good, substantial breakfast food.

Reg. 15c Princess Apple Butter can 10c  
Only the choicest ingredients are used to make this delicious spread.

Sweet Sugar Corn 2 cans 15c  
Buy by the dozen and save.

P. & G. White Soap 4 cakes 15c  
Naphtha

Red Cranberries 3 lbs 25c  
This special price while they last.

Early June Peas 2 cans 15c  
Gold Seal Macaroni 2 pkgs 15c

Choice RICE 2 pkgs 15c  
Its Rich, Rare Aroma and delicious Flavor will win you immediately. Ever had a cup of this splendid coffee?

ASCO COFFEE 42c  
You'll Taste the Difference!

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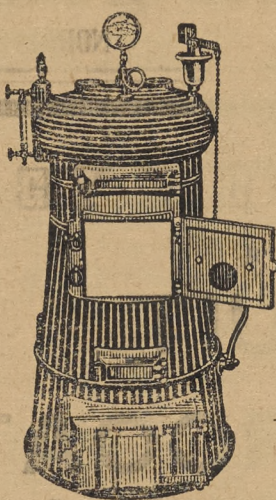
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## JUST AN OLD MAN'S DREAM

By H. M. EGBERT

"O, H, DON'T mind father. He's partly deaf, you know, Elsie, and he doesn't take much notice of things. Give us that recreation again."

Captain Paul's daughters were having an afternoon party, overlooking the sea. The captain had retired with a competence ten years before, and half a dozen times he had lost all in shipwrecks and started life again. And his wife had not lived to see the prosperity which at last came to him as the result of a successful whaling adventure.

The captain sat dreaming on his porch most of the time, starting out at the sea. He did not hear the young people in general, but he had heard Myra's words.

"I guess I'm old and done for," he said to himself, a little bitterly. "Well—I'm glad they won't have to struggle along as Mary and I struggled for years."

He thought of their life in the little seaport cottage, of his months-long absences at sea, of the lonely day when he cared for the home and babies when he was gone, of those home-comings, sometimes with fair prosperity, often with nothing.

The bitterness of life had eaten into his soul when he was a young man. Now, in old age, he had nothing to enjoy in life.

And it seemed to him that the smoke from his pipe curled in a curious, hazy wreath that filled the air and obscured his vision.

And out of the wreath emerged a woman's form—a beautiful woman with something in her eyes that at once soothed and awed him.

"Captain Paul," he fancied he heard the woman say.

"Aye, aye, ma'am!"

"Keep your seat, please. I am no human woman. I am the Smoke Goddess who comes to old men sometimes. You shall have any wish you desire. More, you shall have three wishes. Choose."

It seemed so real to the captain at the time that he at once began wishing.

"Well, ma'am," he said, "I wish that I could be a young man again, thirty years back, and—"

Captain Paul rubbed his eyes. To his amazement he found himself seated upon the porch of a very different house. At first he did not recognize it; then he remembered that it was his cottage on the Rhode Island shore. Something black on his breast attracted his attention. It was his beard, which he had worn long in those days, and it was jet-black in hue.

Instead of a pipe he was smoking a Burmese cheroot.

A tired woman came to the door. "I don't know what we're going to do, Alfred," she wailed, and he recognized his wife Mary. His impulse was to seize her in his arms; but yet it seemed so natural to him to be seated there that he almost forgot she had been dead so many years.

"Bob's worse," she said.

Bob was the baby who had died. The captain had never forgotten him, but he had been dead so many years that he had placed him in that part of his mind where we store our bitter-sweet memories that are too painful for thought.

hearing his daughter's words, out presently his calm came back to him. That was not Myra. His daughter and he had always been the best of friends and companions, in spite of a little thoughtlessness on her part toward him.

"You can't make me believe that, ma'am," he said to the fairy, who had somehow remained in the vicinity, invisible though she was. "That isn't Myra. It's a dream you're giving me."

"Choose your third wish, then," said the fairy curly.

"In a moment, ma'am," answered Captain Paul.

"Why not now?" asked the fairy.

"Because this is mighty good beverage, ma'am," replied the captain, "and I guess when you take this dream away you'll take the refreshments away with it."

And, chuckling over the trick which he had pulled on the fairy, in return for her own, the old man stepped from his glass thoughtfully, conscious of a fuming, baffled presence at his side.

"Now, ma'am," he said, when he had finished, "I'm going to make my third wish. But I'm going to think hard before I make it, seeing as it's so important. I'm only thinking about ten days. If I was to wish what's in my mind—mind, I'm only saying it, not wishing it—I'd wish to be a young man of twenty-five, handsome and better educated than any man I've ever seen, with Mary at my side, just married to me, and a house and land and a yacht and an automobile, and nothing to do, and a dozen butlers and servants, and Mr. and Mrs. Jones-Frothingham competing for the honor of filling my pipe with Latakia Grade 1, and—and—I ain't wishing those things. I'm only thinking about ten days. Like as not if I wished 'em you'd put 'em in the ol' man's pocket."

"Think, then," said the fairy harshly.

"I'm thinking, ma'am," replied the captain. "I wish—I wish—I wish just the thing that I best for me."

Captain Paul opened his eyes and started up. He was seated upon the porch of the little house that overlooked the sea, and his pipe was still in his hand, though he must have been asleep. In the smoke coils he thought he saw the disintegrating form of the fairy.

"Damn it! If I didn't wish myself home again!" he said thoughtfully. "And—and—"

"He won't care. He's an old dear!" It was Myra's voice. And suddenly she was standing at his side, her arms about his neck.

"I said you're an old dear, papa, and I meant it, too," she cried, hugging him. "Come in and hear Elsie rectify. Why, papa, you look as if you had been to sleep!"

"I guess I have," said Captain Paul.

"But say! I got even with that fairy, didn't I? No, never mind, my dear; it was just an old man's dream."

**Change of Costume  
Must Keep Her Busy**  
A pretty Parisienne confided to Le Soir, Paris, the following data, says the Milwaukee Journal: "If you knew what one of my days is like! It's terrible. I get up at eight o'clock and I dress to get my household started and to see what the maids are doing. Then I undress because the masseuse comes. I dress again and I go to the Bols; I come home again and I undress because my physical education teacher comes; that's another lesson I dress again for lunch; then I undress and dress for shopping. At five o'clock I come home and undress."

**All Off**  
"Darling," cried an eager swain, "I can hardly wait till we are married and have our own home."  
"Then you'd better ask my sister," yawned his intended, who was beginning to regret her decision. "She is more of a hurry than I am."  
—American Legion Weekly.

**Recipe for Ideal Life**  
In the effort to appreciate various forms of greatness, let us not underestimate the value of a simply good life. Just to be good, to keep life pure from degrading elements, to make it constantly helpful in little ways to those who are touched by it, to keep one's spirit always sweet, and avoid all manner of petty anger and irritability—this is an ideal as noble as it is difficult.—Edward Howard Griggs.

**Those Who Lift**  
There are some men and some women to whose company we are always at our best. While with them we cannot think mean thoughts or speak ungenerous words. Their mere presence is elevation, purification, sanctity. All the best steps in our nature are drawn out by their intercourse, and we are made in our souls that was never there before.—Henry Drummond, in "The Alchemy of Influence."

## First Phones Tested Power of the Lungs

There were many amusing incidents in the early days when Bell was at work trying to improve the telephone. At first persons had to talk so loudly in order to be heard over the telephone that it was said that they frightened horses that were out in the street.

On the night after Bell and Watson had talked for that first time over the marvelous distance of two miles the two young men, in their boarding house, talked so joyfully and danced so wildly that the landlady said: "You two will have to leave the house, if you can't be quiet at night!"

Then, too, in those first days of the telephone, foreigners who talked over it were amazed to hear it speak in their own languages. They seemed to think that since the invention had been made by an American, it could speak nothing except English.

The first telephone booth was when Watson, remembering his landlady's scolding for the noise that he and Bell had made at night, rigged up a shelter of bed blankets and crawled under them in order to talk without waking the house. That gave the idea that led to the modern booths.

As for the familiar "Hello," so closely associated with the telephone, neither Bell nor Watson had thought of using the word. They always said "Ahoy!" as if they were signaling a ship!—Frederick H. Law in St. Nicholas.

**Device Called Upon  
to Detect Balance**  
Detecting the unbalanced portion of any revolving mass, such as a flying wheel of an engine or a dynamo armature, is declared a simple matter by the inventor of a device that is called a "balance detector." The theory of the instrument is based on the principle that any revolving body or disk, perfectly balanced and loosely supported on its axis, will, when revolving, seek its own course of revolution and rotate steadily, irrespective of the course of its axis.

The device consists essentially of a case or housing. Through this runs an axle, universally supported, on which is a rotating disk. The bearing members protrude from the casing, and when testing, is placed against the end of the shaft of the piece of machinery in question. This is allowed to rotate until it has attained the maximum speed of the shaft. In the casting is a pointer which shows the trend of the motion, greatly exaggerated. The machine is then stopped, with the device still connected, and the pointer will then show the side out of balance.

**Government Was in Luck**  
When the whites and Indians signed their first treaty in Minnesota, at Fond du Lac, now the extreme western end of Duluth, 300 years ago, the Chippewes gave the white man the right to explore and remove any minerals found in what is now the great Arrowhead mining country. The whites had their eyes on the splendid copper prospects and were unaware that the adjoining country contained the world's greatest iron ore deposits. Hopes of exploring copper in sizable quantities soon faded, and it was not until half a century later that intrepid prospectors uncovered the first vein of iron. The provision in the treaty which so fortunately granted the government the right to the iron was made at a time, says W. E. Kalkin, pioneer and historian, in the Duluth News, when there was no real knowledge of that metal.

**Hawaiian Language**  
The Hawaiians had no written language until the coming of the missionaries in 1820, when the alphabet was provided to make possible translation of the Bible. It contains only 11 letters—a, e, i, o, u, k, l, h, m, p, and w. The last is sometimes pronounced "r." The Hawaiians improvised many foreign words for their limited alphabet, such as "popok" for cat. This last from the native effort to repeat what the missionaries said of the animal: "poor pussy." It might also be noted that the nearest the Hawaiians could come to the common name "Jim" was their present translation of the name, "Kimo," pronounced kee-mo, with the accent on the first syllable.

**Superstitious**  
As business was a little dull, two Florida bankers decided to take a holiday and go fishing. They found the cool shade of a stream, and dropped their lines. As they were sitting so contentedly a crowd of children came along and began to run noisily about them. One of the two bankers immediately jumped up and angrily ordered them off.

Said the other: "That's right, Jim, the noise is liable to scare away the fish." But he was surprised with the reply: "That's not it, I'm nervous. I have always been afraid of a run on the bank."

**Sweden's Royal Band**  
The Royal band of Sweden, organized in 1627, celebrated its quadricentennial by reproducing the same program given for Gustav III, music, instruments, costumes and decorations.

When the band was organized it consisted of an organist, kettledrum, pipe and four trumpets, the trumpet being a popular instrument in that country, particularly after Charles IX gave royal funds for the development of the instrument and the training of the musicians.

**Woman, the Comforter**  
There is in every true woman's heart a spark of heavenly fire, which beams and blazes in the dark hours of adversity.—Washington Irving.

**Utopian Idea**  
Ah, how happy would many lives be if individuals troubled themselves as little about other people's affairs as about their own.—Lichtenberg.

**Cultivate Moderation**  
Moderation is the silken string running through the pearl chain of all virtues.—Joseph Hall, English bishop and author.

**Valueless Criticism**  
A critic is a man who on all occasions is more attentive to what is wanting than what is present.—Addison.

**Left-Handed Virtue**  
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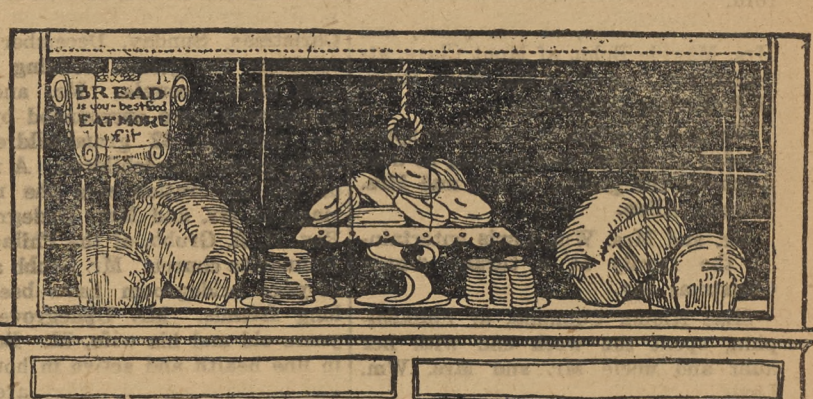
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NEWS FROM OAKS

Next Monday evening, January 9, the Oaks Improvement Association will hold their regular monthly meeting in the Oaks Fire Hall at 8 o'clock.

The choir of Green Tree Brethren church started about 3.30 Christmas morning and sang carols in the neighborhood and village. Rev. Zook of Jeffersonville was leader.

After enjoying a Christmas dinner at home Mr. and Mrs. Frank Weaver and Mr. and Mrs. Crist Weaver and son Crist motored to Philadelphia and spent the afternoon with Mrs. Crist Weaver's mother, Mrs. Mary Ewing, who has been ill.

On Friday afternoon Mr. Irvin H. Campbell, our local school director, treated the scholars of the Oaks and Port Providence schools to ice cream. The teachers gave each child a beautiful candy cane. The schools are closed until Monday, January 8.

Miss Ella Famous left Friday for a week's stay with relatives around Trappe and vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Howard Youcm entertained at a family dinner Christmas Day. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Hoar and family from Philadelphia and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Dunmore from Malvern.

Mrs. Kate Pedrick, of Philadelphia, who spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Crosscup, was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Youcm Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Ebelhare and family left for Norristown Friday morning where they are spending a few days with Mrs. Ebelhare's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norris Brower.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Johnson had a family gathering at Christmas Day and had as week end guests, Miss Ella Johnson, of Philadelphia, and Mr. and Mrs. Emil Hafner, of Royersford.

Mrs. Ed Litka, of this place, and Mrs. Maggie Bohn, of Mont Clare, attended the funeral of Mr. Riley Bohn, of Fruitville, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Crosscup spent Sunday afternoon and evening in Germantown the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lewis entertained the family at a turkey dinner Christmas day.

Miss Nioma Cunnane, of Philadelphia, spent the week end with her aunt and uncle Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. John I. Bechtel spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Grimley, of Jeffersonville and Sunday at Trooper with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Buckwalter.

Mrs. Kate Pedrick visited Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Pedrick on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. O'Brien are ill with very bad colds.

Miss Lilian Greenover, of Philadelphia, was their guest over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Thomas spent Christmas in Norristown with Mrs. Thomas parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stiles.

Mr. and Mrs. John U. Francis, Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Francis and daughter Anna, spent Christmas at Port Washington the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Enos Deery.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac G. Price entertained the family and a few friends on Christmas Day at a turkey dinner.

Mrs. John Gottwald is still confined to her bed although she is improving and expects to soon be out.

Miss Kathryn Boyer is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wagner entertained Christmas Day: Mr. Horace Boyer, of this place and Mr. and Mrs. Francis Wagner, Spring City.

NEWS FROM RAHNS

The public schools rendered an excellent Christmas program in the chapel last Thursday evening. The children all took their parts with credit and the exercises were greatly enjoyed by a large audience.

On Friday the scholars were presented with gifts by their teachers and the teachers also received many beautiful presents from the scholars.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Moyer of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with Henry W. Moyer and daughter Bertha.

Jack Klein is spending a few days visiting in Philadelphia.

Martha Schlottter and Howard Berckly spent the week end with W. K. Schlottter and family.

Emma Schlottter is spending a few days in Allentown.

Miss Bertha Smith spent the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hill, of Philadelphia.

Mr. Allen Jones is spending this week with his parents Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Crist and daughter, of "The Sycamores" are spending some time with relatives in Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Hunsberger entertained their children and grandchildren on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Younghold have moved to Trappe where they will engage in farming. Mrs. Younghold was formerly Miss Mary Troutman.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Johnson had a family gathering of Christmas Day and had as week end guests, Miss Ella Johnson, of Philadelphia, and Mr. and Mrs. Emil Hafner, of Royersford.

Mrs. Ed Litka, of this place, and Mrs. Maggie Bohn, of Mont Clare, attended the funeral of Mr. Riley Bohn, of Fruitville, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Crosscup spent Sunday afternoon and evening in Germantown the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lewis entertained the family at a turkey dinner Christmas day.

Miss Nioma Cunnane, of Philadelphia, spent the week end with her aunt and uncle Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. John I. Bechtel spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Grimley, of Jeffersonville and Sunday at Trooper with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Buckwalter.

Mrs. Kate Pedrick visited Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Pedrick on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. O'Brien are ill with very bad colds.

Miss Lilian Greenover, of Philadelphia, was their guest over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Thomas spent Christmas in Norristown with Mrs. Thomas parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stiles.

Mr. and Mrs. John U. Francis, Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Francis and daughter Anna, spent Christmas at Port Washington the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Enos Deery.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac G. Price entertained the family and a few friends on Christmas Day at a turkey dinner.

Mrs. John Gottwald is still confined to her bed although she is improving and expects to soon be out.

ABOUT TOWN NOTES

Miss Carrie Godshall, of Philadelphia, and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Fetteroff, of Allentown, spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Godshall.

Mr. and Mrs. Poper spent Christmas day in Waynesboro, Pa.

Miss Mattie Vandervliet spent Sunday with Mr. Lukens, Royersford.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Feinstemacher and family spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Andes, of Trappe.

Mr. and Mrs. Morton, of Norristown, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cassel.

Mr. Geist and daughter and Mrs. Miller, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Friel.

Dr. and Mrs. Warren Anders and family spent Christmas Day at Jeffersonville with Mr. and Mrs. H. Anders.

Misses Elsie and Anna Vandervliet spent Sunday with relatives in Pottstown.

Miss Mary Vandervliet spent Sunday with friends in Eagleville.

Paul McCormick is on the sick list. Mrs. Wm. Fie is recovering from a prolonged illness.

Miss Fannie Fitzgerald and Bobbie Fitzgerald are spending the week in Philadelphia.

Miss Mary Fox is spending a few weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Simons, of Port Kennedy.

Mr. Edwin Johnson, Jr., of Lehigh University, is spending the Christmas vacation with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Clamer entertained Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Miller and family on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Fry and family, of Philadelphia, spent the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Emily Lachman.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Walt spent Sunday in Port Kennedy with Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Romig.

Mr. and Mrs. George Clamer and son Frank spent Christmas Day in Conshohocken.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Walt spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith, of Rahns.

Mrs. Sara Detwiler, of Hatfield, and Mrs. Lydia Detwiler and Mrs. Vera Detwiler spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Morvin Godshall.

Mr. and Mrs. Wolfinger and family, of Norristown, and Mr. and Mrs. Abram Hendricks and Miss Miriam Hendricks, of this place, were the Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Pretz.

Mrs. Joseph Livergood is back from Montgomery Hospital where she had been undergoing special treatment.

Claude Williamson, who was operated on last week for septic poisoning in Montgomery hospital and was in a very serious condition is improving.

FOR SALE—All kinds of pies, cakes, rolls and bread. Mrs. FRANK POPER, Second avenue, Collegeville, Pa. 1213041.

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ORPHANS' COURT SALE OF Real Estate! Estate of BENJAMIN C. KRAUSE, late of Limerick township, Montgomery County of Montgomery County, Pennsylvania. By virtue of an order of the Orphans' Court of Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, made at public sale at 2 p. m. WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 1927, on the premises, Limerick Square, Limerick township, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, all that land (except foundation) situate, lying and being three large tracts on both sides of the main road, known as the main road, containing three large tracts of land, to-wit: one tract of land, containing 49 1/2 acres, more or less, bounded as follows: Beginning at a point in the Perkiomen and Reading (Ridge) turnpike road, ten by land now or late of Benjamin Shively north 42 degrees east 18 perches to a stake; thence by land now or late of Augustus P. Fritz north 49 1/2 degrees west 18 perches to a stake; thence by land now or late of Benjamin C. Krause south 42 degrees east 18 perches to a point in the aforesaid turnpike; thence containing 33 1/2 acres, more or less, and being the same premises conveyed to Benjamin C. Krause by deed of Aaron C. Freed and wife, dated April 29, 1876, Deed Book 235, page 464. Conditions of sale—1. To pay down, balance on settlement February 15, 1927. MONTGOMERY TRUST COMPANY, Substituted Trustee. Irvin P. Knipe, Attorney. John B. Freed, Auctioneer.

ANNUAL STATEMENT OF SUPERVISORS OF UPPER PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PA. RECEIPTS: Bal. on hand from preceding year \$ 40 Taxes 1926 14,672.23 Taxes prior to 1926 1,976.53 Taxes Electric Lights 88.86 Total 16,697.62 Disbursements: 1,654.70 E. Evans, mortgagors and John J. Patterson, real owners, and to be sold by WILLIAM H. FOX, Sheriff, Down Money \$200.00 Sheriff's Office, Norristown, Pa., December 23, 1926.

EXPENDITURES: Repairs to roads—no State aid, \$ 59.40 Repairs to State-aid roads 9,503.28 Permanent improvements to roads 12,291.72 Bridges and culverts 1,737.76 New tools and machinery 1,574.10 County Aid, incl. \$16,500 Oaks 16,974.10 Loans from Collegeville National Bank 14,957.22 Rental of machinery 916.90 Other sources 142.71 Total 55,076.47

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NOTICE—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Collegeville National Bank, Collegeville, Pa., will be held in the banking house on Tuesday, January 11, 1927, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 12 M. for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year and transacting such other business as may be brought before the meeting. D. RENNINGER, Cashier.

FEEDERS ATTENTION—Granulated and roasted Corn Meal, Buckwheat and Graham Flour, Potatoes, Molasses, Butter-milk dry and semi-solid, Tobacco powder, Sulphur, All kinds of Feed. 1612 1/2 COLLEGEVILLE MILLS.

SHERIFF'S SALE OF Real Estate!

By virtue of a writ of Fieri Facias, issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, to me directed will be sold at public sale on WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25, 1927 at 2 o'clock p. m. in Court Room No. 1, at the Court House, in the borough of Norristown, said county, the following described Real Estate:

ALL THAT CERTAIN tract or piece of land situate in the township of Limerick, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at a stake at the point of intersection of the Ridge road and a public road leading to Linfield south 43 degrees 51 minutes west 198.02 ft. to a stake in line of other land of Frank J. Roberts; thence along the same north 77 degrees 38 minutes west 144.14 feet to a stake on the south side of the Ridge road; thence along the same south 77 degrees east 145.77 feet to the place of beginning and taken in execution as the property of Frank J. Roberts and to be sold by WILLIAM H. FOX, Sheriff, Down Money \$200.00, Sheriff's Office, Norristown, Pa., December 23, 1926.

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BEGINNING at a point on the southerly side of a public road leading to Pawling's bridge, said point being at a distance of 50 feet northwesterly from the westerly side of a road bearing southerly from Pawling's bridge to a corner of the lot No. 11 on plan of lots prepared for Verger & Burke by Hiltner & Hitchcock, thence along the southerly side at right angles to Pawling's bridge road 35 feet to a stake in line of the lot No. 11 on said plan, thence along lot No. 13 and lot No. 1 north 75 degrees 34 minutes 190 feet to a stake at corner of lot No. 9, thence along the same northwesterly 425 feet to a point in the southerly side of Pawling's bridge road, thence along the same north 75 degrees 34 minutes 190 feet to a point of beginning. The improvements thereon are a 2 story Frame House, 18 feet front by 14 feet deep, 24 feet wide, 2 rooms on second floor, electric light, frame barn and garage, water, 11 story frame garage and shed, 14 feet by 18 feet.

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ALL THAT CERTAIN lot or piece of land with message or tenement thereon created by Lot No. 73 on plan of lots of John H. Spang, situate in the township of Lower Providence, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at an iron pipe a corner of this and lot No. 17 in a line of land of William Shearer; thence along the land of the said William Shearer and George Gotwals and Frank Saylor north 52 degrees 30 minutes west 140 feet to a corner in the middle of Summit avenue, thence along the middle of said avenue north 48 degrees 45 minutes east 164.20 feet to a corner in the middle of said avenue; thence along lot No. 74 south 49 degrees 30 minutes east 425.6 feet to a pipe a corner; thence along lots Nos. 18 and 17 south 40 degrees 30 minutes west 140 feet to the place of beginning, and containing 1 acre 31 1/2 rods of land more or less.

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ALL THAT CERTAIN tract or piece of land situate in the township of Upper Providence, Montgomery County and state aforesaid, bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at a corner of this and land of Josiah Custer; thence by the same north 48 degrees west 213 1/2 feet to a stake a corner of this and land of William Lambert; thence by the same north 48 degrees west 28.06 perches to a stake a corner of this and land of Josiah Custer; thence by the same south 50 degrees east 22.16 perches to the place of beginning, and containing 2 acres 42.26 perches of land more or less.

ALL THAT CERTAIN lot or piece of ground situate in Upper Providence township, county and state aforesaid, bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at a corner of this and land of Barnhart Meier land in line of William Eber's land; thence by said Meier's land north 42 degrees east 40.36 perches to a post in line of Abraham Solomon's land; thence by the same east 7.28 perches to a stake; thence by John Nace's land south 21 1/2 degrees west 40.25 perches to a corner of this and land of Eber's land; thence by the same north 42 degrees east 40.36 perches to a stake a corner of this and land of William Lambert; thence by the same north 48 degrees west 28.06 perches to a stake a corner of this and land of Josiah Custer; thence by the same south 50 degrees east 22.16 perches to the place of beginning, and containing 2 acres 42.26 perches of land more or less.

The improvements thereon are a 2 1/2 story Frame House 30 feet by 22 feet with a 1 story frame addition, 2 rooms on second floor, 2 rooms on first floor, 2 rooms on second floor, attic, cellar, porch front, frame barn 40 feet by 30 feet, stabling for 2 horses and 3 cows, frame wagon house 32 feet by 20 feet by 10 feet, frame chicken house 20 feet by 8 feet, frame pig stable 12 feet by 8 feet.

Seized and taken in execution as the property of John H. Evans and Joseph E. Evans, mortgagors and John J. Patterson, real owners, and to be sold by WILLIAM H. FOX, Sheriff, Down Money \$200.00, Sheriff's Office, Norristown, Pa., December 23, 1926.

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