

### A Search For Holly

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almost frozen hands of the children in icy water, to keep them from being frost bitten, the girls seemed unconscious of the biting pain. Each time the story was related the older one would say, "And mother, you would never have thought the men were gentlemen by the way they dressed, but their clothes didn't make a bit of difference, they were the politest men I ever saw. And I bet they had awfully good vinegar. I am sorry we couldn't bring you some."

With a grown up relative, who had lots of beaux, spending Christmas in the house, there was much coming and going among the adults, with lots of people in for meals and parties. On each occasion the eight year old, was called in to tell of her great adventure. She was thrilled over the telling, for it was lovely to have others appreciate a great experience.

Her father who had his office near by would often send for her to come and tell some men about her trip to Balsam. She became quite adept in the art of relating the story.

One day months after she and her brother had a tiff, as brothers and sisters will. She was about to get the best of him, when he fired at her, "Yes, and you think you are so smart . . . when you are as dumb as they make

### THE GIFT OF FREEDOM

As his contribution to the spirit of peace and good-will, Governor Bibb Graves, of Alabama, last week granted two weeks' parole to the 494 best-behaved inmates of the state's prison. He wished them a happy Yuletide at their home firesides. The convicts were released on a gentleman's agreement that they return to their cells on New Year's Day. "I believe they can be trusted," said the governor who has made the Christmas paroles an annual custom. "It means more to a man to know he can be trusted than anything in the world." Last year seven of the convicts released failed to return voluntarily, (four being recaptured subsequently,) but that was unusual. In general the convicts have respected the Christmas spirit.

em. Why you are so dumb you sometimes don't even know where you are. You think you are so smart telling about going after that holly, Christmas, and don't even know that everybody was laughing at you. Why you don't even know you went to a still . . . where they make whiskey. You cannot imagine the surprise, consternation, and the mortification of the little girl. I am sure I could not, had I not been the little girl.

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## HERE and THERE

By HILDA WAY GWYN

The eternal rhythm of the seasons brings us Christmas again. . . . Regardless of our wishes the cycle of time brings us our annual anniversaries. . . . Sometimes we feel that we are not quite ready for them—Time has a way of seeming to rush us.

When confronted with the idea of writing of Christmas—I thought what shall I say. . . . There is nothing new to write about Christmas. . . . it is the same old story. . . . yet as I pondered beneath the surface I find there should be something new for each of us every Christmas season. . . . We are one year older. . . . life has had twelve more months to make us more understanding. . . . to make us more gentle. . . . to enrich our spiritual life. . . . to teach us the beauty and wonder of that night so many years ago when the star hung over Bethlehem and lead the wise men to the babe in the manger. . . . and how through the succeeding years that same star has lead mankind through dark labyrinth of sin and unhappiness. . . . and how the star still hangs in the heavens to guide us. . . . if we will only keep our eyes uplifted. . . .

I often think that one of the things that complicates Christmas for us is that it is a season of such variety. . . . we must be practical to meet the financial side. . . . which is a large part of the joy. . . . we must not, however, in our material fervor of remembering each other. . . . lose sight of the real significance of giving. . . . but with well balanced perspective we must approach the day. . . . less we miss its heights of joy. . . .

For it is a day of such poignant joy and sadness. . . . we may enter into the happiness of to-day, while remembering the joy of other years. . . . we find ourselves, as we are apt to do on all anniversaries, looking both backward and forward. . . . But too much introspection will destroy the gladness of the day. . . . and often the safest plan is to help others make it an occasion to be cherished for its memories. . . .

You may recall the story of the little girl, who prayed, "Forgive us our Christmases." . . . What she really meant was forgive us our trespasses, but she had been hearing so much about Christmas that she could think of nothing else. . . . But sometimes we might ask in all sincerity "Forgiveness for our Christmases," for we often desecrate and misinterpret the day, in both thought and action.

"Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men," . . . has sounded down through the ages. . . . and if we feel it in our hearts. . . . we will practice it. . . . we will give outward evidence of our brotherhood. . . . and Christmas will come to have a new meaning. . . . we cannot miss its blessings. . . .

There is a woman in this community who makes it a rule to hunt out some forgotten person each year. . . . and bring to them something of Christmas, they might not have had it gives her deep satisfaction. . . . for giving like mercy, "blesseth him who gives and him who receives." . . .

In giving I do not mean necessarily material values, for there are many who may not be termed needy, who have become dispirited through suffering, and embittered through disappointment, who need the gift of your spiritual richness or your act of thoughtfulness—as much as the little girl feels she needs a new doll. . . .

But even with the generosity of a heart that gives to the utmost, Christmas will always be tinged with a touch of sadness for grown-ups. . . . it seems inevitable. . . . and is hard to express in words. . . . for if we enter into the spirit of Christmas. . . . we cannot approach the day in a sober matter of fact way, but we are keyed up with anticipation. . . . and it seems a part of growing up to leave that magic of the realization of the day. . . . bringing to us the same quality as the experience of anticipation. . . .

"And a little child shall lead them" . . . if you have forgotten the art of Christmas happiness. . . . adopt a child for the day. . . . and see and feel Christmas through them. . . .

"And in the peace of Christmastide In its good will and cheer May you find lasting happiness to carry through the year."

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Christmas morning mass at Franklin in the American Legion Hall at 8. Children's choir under the direction of Mrs. Richard Hertzler, will sing the Traditional Christmas carols. Sermon by the pastor.

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### THE CHRISTMAS CRIB

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Sermon at 11 a. m. Christian Endeavor at 7 p. m. Midweek service of prayer Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.

The pastor will bring a message suitable to the last Sunday of the year.

At 7:30 the pastor will preach the St. John's Day sermon at the Episcopal church. The public at large is invited to this service.

### "Grace Church in the Mountains," EPISCOPAL

Rev. Albert New, Rector.

The observance of the Birthday of the Saviour will begin with the Sunday school festival in the Parish House at 4 P. M. on Thursday afternoon, Christmas Eve. "Tree," gifts for all the children, also for the junior choir, singing of Christmas hymns and carols.

The Christmas Eucharist will be celebrated on Friday morning, Christmas Day at 10:30. The Rector will give a Christmas message.

Sunday, December 27th. St. John the Evangelist's Day. 10 A. M. Church school. 11 A. M. The Rector will preach on:

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