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non, Dec. 15.—Each holiday eastern United States, and one of these as the usual story about the -Fraiser's Fir-is limited to the high prees -where they come from mountains of Virginia. North Carolina and the means used to bring and Tennessee. Most important in the of train loads of them to the Western group are the Grand Fir, Nobel Fir, White Fir and Red Fir. The as tree and the nolly Balsam Fir is unquestionably the best other precess which go so far known and most widely distributed of are also a helpful means of identificamaking the holiday "atmos- our native firs. It is one of the most ins are taken to reproduce North America. It frequents bogs,

swamps, and other wet places. Among as any rose,' Devout people regard million trees for the eastern its chief associates are the American Larch, Arbor Vitae, Black Spruce and the Saviour's crown of thorns. are taken to conserve and Red Spruce. Its companion species are the supply some time will not many for few trees can withstand lecting the branches is very destructive. The American Forestry the extreme wet and cold conditions of In many instances the tops of the trees has issued a Christmas tree our northern bogs and swamps. "The Balsam Fir is a tree which sat-

says, "is better fire preven- greatest of all its gifts is the Christmas tree. As a Christmas tree it has no suwho never go into the woods perior, and in many localities no other this searon and the 'holdup' native tree has Christmas tree qualities big cities are denounced. On that even approach it. The European hand proper cutting aids the Fir, so common throughout many parts the larger trees and if prop of Continental Europe, has many chara help. The holly is be- asteristics in common with our Balsam CHRISTMAS HOLLY. unthinking in a way that Fir. It, too, has been used for centuanghter, and only the right ries as a Christmas tree. The similarsave this valued ity between these two trees is very marked, which may have helped develop our high regard for the Balsam Fir and rate it as the foremost Christmas world are native to North tree of the eastern United States.

"On the trunk of the Balsam will be found a large number of little blistertwo are found in the like sacs of balsam. A finger nail will puncture the little blisters and there to southern Maine. While the Christ- Ground Hemlock are used at Christmas Southern Hardware Co., John S. Blake will flow a small quantity of balsam, as mas Holly may reach a height of 50 time. These plants really are not pines Drug Co., and Charlotte Hardware Co. our scientific laboratories. It is used chiefly to attach cover glass to the slides. Balsam is also regarded as an excellent medicine.

"Cones and buds of the Balsam Fir are also very distinctive. The buds are almost round, about one-sixth of an inch long, clustered at the end of the twig and appear to be covered with a coating of varnish. The cones are from wo to four inches long, cylindrical, and stand creet on the twigs. Their scales fall off soon after they reach maturity and leave a bare central axis. This is an unusual habit among evergreen trees. In the Northwoods many collect the leaves and use them in filling pillows and cushions, for the leaves when dried emit a very fragrant oder. The wood is soft, does not contain resin passages and ranges in color from white to brown. It weighs about 24 pounds per cubic foot and is used extensively

"There are twenty kinds of Spruce diameter in the extreme northern part a profit, so it is also possible to raise rees and they occur in every country in the Northern Pemisphere Eight are rative to North America, three being found in the eastern part and five in the western part.

"Deep green leaves which are armed with spines along the margin distinguish Christmas Holly. The leaves are so bright they often reflect light as doomed to extinction unless beautiful evergreen trees native to manuscript in the British Museum states that the 'Holly hath berys as red the leaves of the Helly as a symbol of

> are cut out completely, leaving nothing but an erect bare trunk. We need the holly sprig for decorative purposes at Christmas, but in order that a future supply may be insured, special steps must be taken at once to regulate the cutting in such a way that all the existing trees may continue to produce annually an abracant supply of thrifty

Christmas Holly, and the closely related amiliar with the holly leaves and bergrow upon trees which are common in 200,000 breathing pores to the square dries them up - leaves no smell. and found locally as far north as Penn-

in the manufacture of paper pulp, feet and a diameter of 2 to 3 feet in or hemlocks, but are closely related to BASKETBALL EVENTS 20 feet in height and a few inches in

> it hves. In the South one may see of future generations, housands of trees literally festooned with the mistletoe. It sometimes grows in the form of a witches' broom, or one may see it dangling down from the branches of a tree in graceful array. It always apropriates for its own development the lifeblood of the tree upon of employment. No time is stated which it feeds. Some four hundred when they will be reinstated. of them occur in the tropics, and nearly all of them are parasitic. Many varieties are found in the United States. They occur from the coast of New Jersey southward and westward.

"In Oklahoma the mistletoe has been selected as the State flower. If you dun in the name of the Congress and sitic plant as a State flower, he is likely to answer that if man many tap a maple tree for syrup, and the pine tree for turpentine, it is fair for the mistletoe to tap trees so that it may develop and become available for decorative use. "The American Holly, also called Examination of the leaves of the mist me hundreds yearly; tried dogs, ferrets, tietoe show they are almost nerveless, poison, could not get rid of them. European Holly, are linked with our thick and fleshy, and a magnifying Bought \$1.25 pkg, of RAT-SNAP 15 glass will show only about 200 breath. cakes). ing pores to the square inch, while in since. Dead ones a plenty, I like RATries, but few of them know that they the common lilac there occurs at least SNAP because after killing rats it

the Christmas holly and the mistletoe "Of course, nobody, particularly the by artifical means. In that way an aderoung folk, wants to miss mistletoe. It quate supply may be insured for the s the only parasitic plant that is used future, and all those who contribute toat Christmas time. It is sometimes wards the developing of successful called a tree thief, for it gets all its methods of propagating these plants nourishment from the trees upon which will insure the welfare and happiness C.

# SHOP FORCES REDUCED.

Pensacola, Fla., Dec. 15.-The force the Louisville and Nashville Railroad shops here was cut down yester-

# HARDING APPROVES DESIGN.

Waashington, Dec. 15.-President Harding yesterday approved the design of the medal which, under the army bill of June 5, 1920, he was aupeople of the United States.

## "And There Wasn't the Slightest Smell from Dead Rats."

Writes John Simpkins, farmer of Annandale, N. J.: "Rats were costing Used half, not a live ra Three sizes, 35c, 65c, \$1.25. Sold and guar-'Large quantities of Trailing Pine, anteed by Wohlford-Porter Drug Co.

the basketball season which is now just getting under way, ames will be said. played in the City League, by the Charotte High school and the Varsity Y. M.

Churchiand High school quint Friday City League. Saturday night the other which is near Lexington defeated the vs. American Trust will be played, locals last year in the season opener. A. L. Faul has cut the squad to the fol clock in the "Y" gym. lowing: Harvell, G. Carmichael, Ware and Schiltz forwards; Keerans, Morris ed captain of the team. He is also Norris, and Jack Brown, guards; P. coaching. Billy Howell, Cunningham, Carmichael, center.

will take the floor in the initial go. Harvell will, doubtless, hold down one WILL BE UNCORKED of the forward stations. The other three men are working neck and neck The last two days of this week will and Coach Faul says a toss of a coin stand out brilliantly in the annels of for Harvell's running mate. The same

Friday night at 7:15 o'clock before the Charlotte-Churchland tilt Polarines The High school outfit will open its and Highland Park, and Tabernacle and 1921-22 season with a tussle with the Hornets Nest Riflemen will play in the night at the Y. M. C. A. This school game in the City League, Civitan club

The varsity outfit of the "Y" will Billy Harvell, member of last year's begin its season offensive with a game squad, was Tuesday afternoon elected with the Concord "Y" Saturday night. captain of the High school outfit. Coach The opening whistle will sound at 8 o'-

"Renny" Cuthberston has been elect-Bill Yates, Marsh, Milstead, and Mc-Coach Faul says he has no idea who Millan are on the squad.

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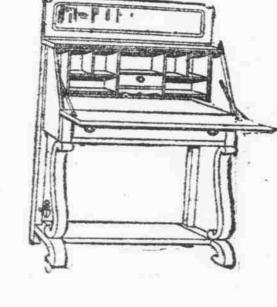
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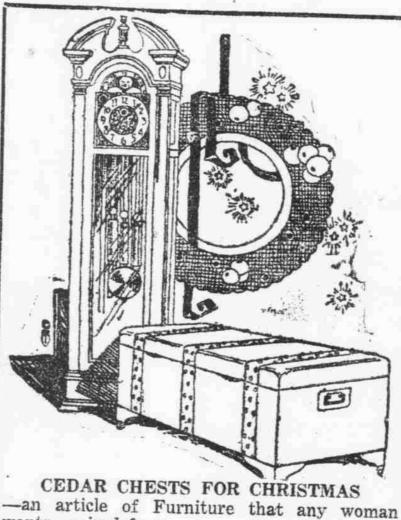
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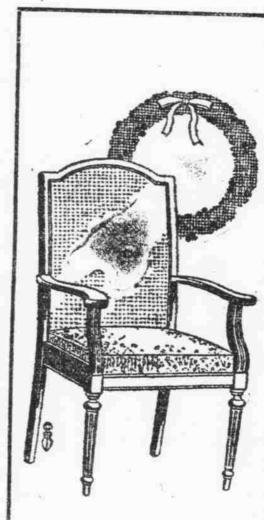
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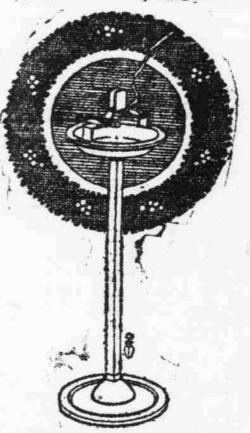
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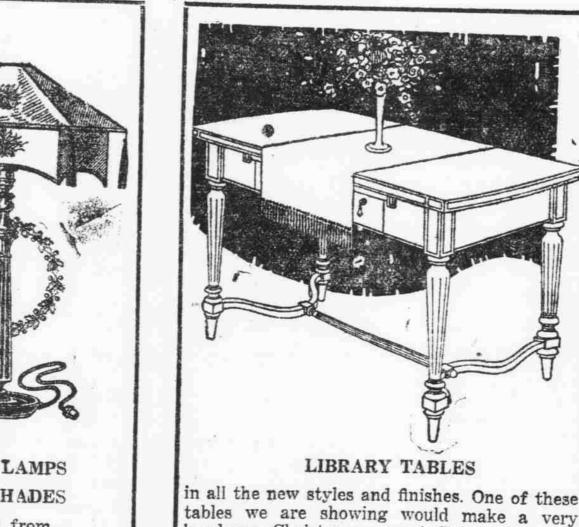
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