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# LYCEUM IS COMING WEDNESDAY NIGHT

The Redpath Lyceum Bureau has announced to Hickory enthusiasts that the Ardmore Orchestral Entertainers will fill an engagement here on Wednesday evening, December 15.

The entertainment will begin at 8:30, thereby not interfering with prayer meeting at the various churches.

This company takes the place of the St. Claire Four which was scheduled for January 24. The entertainers are a higher priced attraction and being near Hickory at this date the Bureau consented to give the local lyceum promoters the benefit of this excellent number in the place of the St. Claire Four. The Company consists of six ladies and is purely musical.

# CONTRIBUTIONS ARE URGED FOR SOLDIERS

Christmas is almost here and the fifteen calls upon the people of Hickory for assistance in making the season as glad and happy as possible for the men in the P. H. S. hospitals at Oteen and Kenilworth. Confident in the light of former experience that no one will turn down their appeal.

Our men marched off to uphold in Europe, not only the prestige of our flag but the safety of our shores, and everybody was enthusiastic, open hearted and open handed.

However, since their return an attitude of indifference has fallen upon us. We forget that these men who came back to us crippled and ill, cruelly handicapped in their careers are still paying the price of the glory which is ours; and they are doing it cheerfully. Let us not add the bitterness of neglect to their wretched existence.

Nearly every one of these men was as brave when opportunity offered, as were the heroes, who for "conspicuous bravery" were decorated with the D. S. C.

Each ward will have an Xmas tree, a lady of Asheville will contribute them, but the decorations of these trees will be left for others to do. Hickory fifteen will undertake to trim those in wards 18 and 14, and to that end they ask contributions of decorations of tinsel and toys, candles, etc. In many homes there may be toys, etc. which the children of the household have outgrown, these will be gratefully received—

also for the stockings, they ask handkerchiefs, pocket knives, scissors, pens, safety-razors, hot water bags and foot-warmers (woolen bed slippers). These are greatly needed, as nearly all complain of suffering with cold at night, when all windows and doors are opened wide. Caps and sweaters too are necessary. These things and any other articles which may suggest themselves to you, with cakes, candy, nuts and fruit are desired. Those willing to help will please send their contributions as early as possible, not later than December 18, to any one of the following ladies:

Mesdames K. C. Menzies, Geo. Yoder, G. N. Hutton, Charles Gettner, H. C. Menzies, W. L. Abernethy, Misses Gertrude Finger, Frances Field, M. E. Gettner.

LETTER FROM CALIFORNIA

To my friends in Hickory: I will make an effort to tell you a few things about California. First, I will tell about the climate. It is a wonderful climate out here, flowers are blooming all the while and the grass is just looking its best now, especially up in the hills, because it has been raining, also all kinds of fresh vegetables here now, and water-melons are sure good to us now, for it is something unusual for us. Anyone can be down in the valley of Los Angeles and look up in the hills and see the beautiful white snow, and it is warm in the valley. Second: The schools here are wonderful, the only fault to the schools here is that negroes are going to school with the white children, also Japs and Mexicans. Third, I will say a few things about the parks. There are eighteen and they are all very beautiful. The beaches are great, words cannot express the wonderful times anyone can have at the beach. The telephone company is very good here, there are fifteen large offices in Los Angeles and the one I work at is not so large as the others; there are about seventy five girls working here. The salary is very good. Now about the people: The people that have been raised here are very distant, but the people from the east and south are nice and kind to you. They will say to you, "Aren't you from the east or south?" and then "I thought you were, I could tell by your talk." They like to hear a southerner talk.

The mountains here are very large and high, but they are bare, no trees or bushes, but they have cactus all over them. They are not called mountains here; they are called hills. What the young folks enjoy most of all in the summer is taking hiking trips, and hike for fifteen or twenty miles. The girls and cys dress in khaki and wear hiking boots. 4326 Eastern Ave., Los Angeles, Calif., Lea Cook. T. J. L.

DEATH OF INFANT

Wade Hawkins Caldwell, young son of Mr. and Mrs. Wade I Caldwell, died last night at 12:30 at the home of his parents on Tenth avenue after being ill about 15 days with bronchial pneumonia following scarlet fever.

The little fellow, who was aged 4 months and 13 days, was bright and lovable and will be greatly missed in the home circle.

The funeral service will be held at the grade in Oakwood cemetery tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock. Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick pastor of the First Methodist Church will conduct the services.

GEORGE WALSH PLAY AT GRAND THEATRE

"From Now On" the Fox picture which comes to the Grand theatre today has won golden opinions wherever it has been shown and added materially to George Walsh's reputation for rapid action and daredevil escapade. The story, by Frank Packard author of "The Miracle Man," is said to be compelling in the intensity of its interest, with a love theme threading it way with extraordinary dramatic incidents.

# HOLIDAY PACKAGES MOVING RAPIDLY

Holiday mail has begun to move in and out of the Hickory postoffice and by the end of the week a regular stream of packages will be handled by the local force. Hickory people are urged to send off their parcels as early as possible, the postoffice department permitting instructions for not opening until Christmas to be written on each package.

To Cure a Cold in One Day Take Grove's Laxative Bromo Quinine tablets. The genuine bears the signature of E. Grove, 30c. adv.

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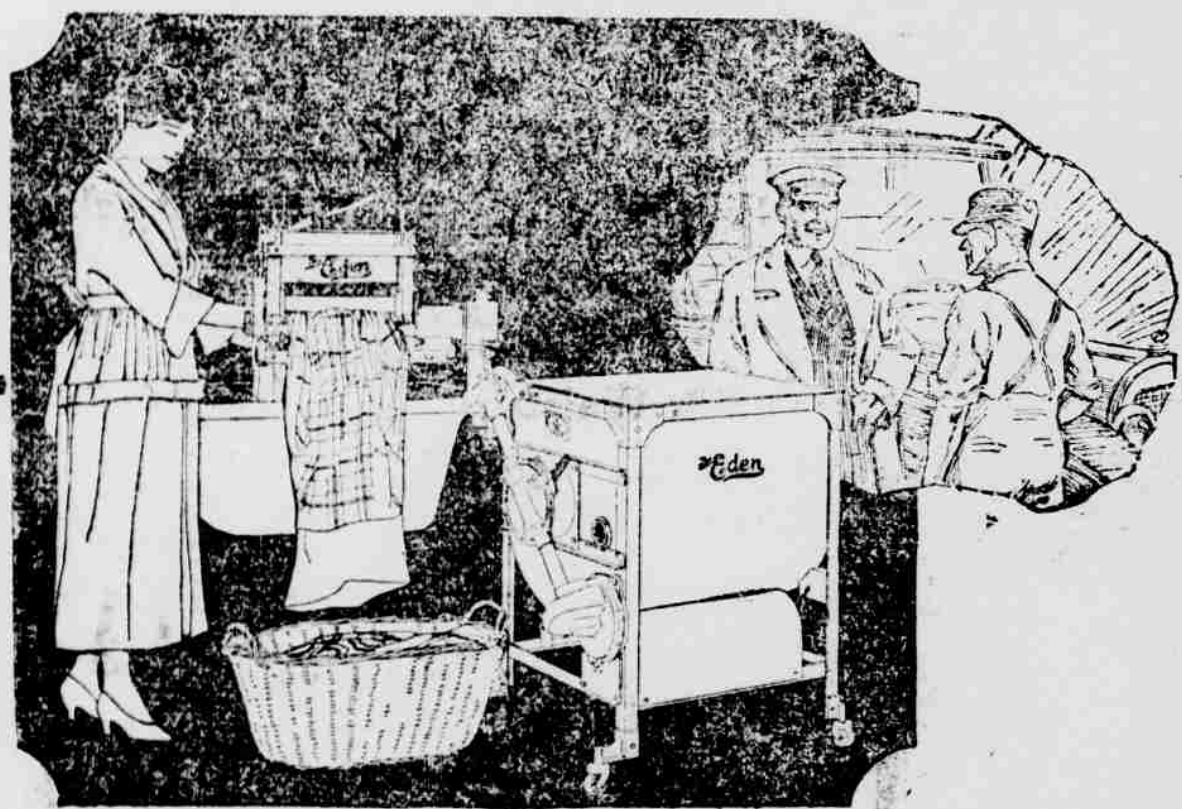
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# 25% Discount

All Electric appliances are reduced for the holidays. Take advantage of this offer and make this an Electrical Christmas.

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### ELECTRIC RANGES

- \$220.00 Westinghouse Automatic Ranges, now ..... \$175.00
- \$235.00 Hughes Range, now ..... \$155.00
- \$175.00 Simpex Range, now ..... \$135.00

### SEWING MACHINES

- \$60.00 Machines, now ..... \$40.00
- \$75.00 Machines, now ..... \$55.00

### SEWING MACHINE MOTORS

- \$22.50 Motors, now ..... \$15.00

### WASHING MACHINES

- \$150.00 Machines, now ..... \$112.50
- \$160.00 Machines, now ..... \$120.00

### WAFFLE IRONS

- \$20.00 Irons, now ..... \$15.00

### TOASTERS

- \$9.00 Toasters, now ..... \$6.75

### IMMERSION HEATERS

- \$7.00 Heaters now ..... \$5.25

### VACUUM CLEANERS

- \$57.50 Cleaners now ..... \$43.15

### Floor and Table Lamps

- \$102.00 Lamps, now ... \$73.75
- \$83.00 Lamps, now ... \$51.90
- \$127.00 Lamps, now ... \$79.40
- \$68.00 Lamps, now ... \$49.40
- \$60.00 Lamps, now ..... \$37.50

Everything carried by us is included in this sale. Grills, Percolators, Chafin Dishes, Heating Pads and Electric Heaters. We will be glad to have you call around and see what we have to offer.

# Southern Public Utilities Company



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Our Store Will Be Open Evenings Until 9 O'Clock from now until Christmas.

Our buyers have been in the Blanket Markets for the last week and you will be surprised at the great values we are offering.

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# A Sensational Sale OF BLANKETS and COMFORTS

Only 15 more shopping days until Christmas. Shop early to avoid the rush, but you have a better opportunity to go leisurely over the different articles which makes your Holiday Shopping a real pleasure. Then too, the early shoppers are enabled to make the choice selections. A few suggestions of useful dependable gifts:

### NOTE THESE PRICES ON BLANKETS

- 50 new Blankets just in today. We are selling for \$1.48 pair as long as they last.
- \$4.00 value Novella Dark Color Blankets, Blanket Sale ..... \$2.98 Pair
- \$5.00 value Sunnape double Blankets, Extra, Blanket Sale ..... \$3.45 Pair
- \$5.50 value Samos dark grey and light color Blankets, Blanket Sale ..... \$3.98 Pair
- \$8.00 value Nashau Woolnap Blankets, pretty plaids, Blanket Sale ..... \$5.45 Pair
- \$12.00 value all wool Blankets, extra quality—Blanket Sale ..... \$8.95 Pair
- \$8.00 value Nashau Blankets in dark grey—Blanket Sale ..... \$5.95
- \$5.00 value Overcoat Blankets, Special—Blanket Sale ..... \$3.19 each

### COMFORTS AND FOR SO LITTLE

- \$4.50 value good heavy Comforts, dark colors only, Comfort Sale ..... \$3.19 Each
- \$6.00 value Comforts, Soft padding and attractive colors—Comfort Sale ..... \$4.76
- \$5.50 value good quality comforts. Special for Comfort Sale ..... \$4.36 Each
- \$10.00 value Extra Soft Finish Comforts, attractive colors ..... \$6.36

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