

NO MORE CHRISTMAS CARDS

Woman Has Made Up Her Mind to Make Real Gifts to Friends at Next Holiday Season.

"Next Christmas—" started Mrs. "Yeh, I know," interrupted Mr. "Next Christmas," placidly pursued Mrs. "I shall give all gifts and no cards at all."

"Huh!" granted Mr. "What'd y' want to do—bankrupt us?"

"Not at all," replied his wife. "I won't spend a cent more than I spent this year. But I've sworn off cards. They don't mean anything any longer. Business firms and banks send them out. They're as common as flies in summer. I'm going to send all gifts, and I'm sure every one will be better pleased all around."

"But just how," inquired Mr., "just how are you going to do this with no extra money?"

"Easy," she answered. "Oh, they'll be humble gifts, of course! But the elaborate cards they get out nowadays cost as much as small gifts. Our cards cost 50 cents apiece and we bought 20. Now, why not 40-cent presents instead? They carry twice as much sentiment. All our friends will think better of us and we save money."

"Huh!" said Mr., returning to his paper.

EXAMPLE OF WASTED LABOR

One Philadelphia Shop Employs Sixty-Eight Girls to Pack a One-Pound Box of Candy.

Sixty-eight girls in a Philadelphia candy factory are needed to pack a one-pound box of candy, writes "Girard" in the Philadelphia Inquirer. I saw the automatic stokers in an electric plant attended by two men fire the boilers under the engines of 90,000 horse power.

There you behold a contrast of labor and result.

In one case, to meet the fancies of confection eaters, all that immense labor is employed to put individual pieces of candy in a box. In the other instance, machines, backed by a few millions of capital invested in other machines, can generate electric power sufficient to turn 10,000 wheels over a distance of scores of miles.

At other places you may see capital pick up a freight car and dump its contents into a shop as you would put a spoonful of sugar in your coffee. Lucky that somebody has money to hire such big machines to do our work. Otherwise you would be paying treble for what you get.

Veteran Indian Dead.

The death of Wapatak on the Quinault (Wash.) Indian reservation at the reputed age of one hundred and seven removes the last survivor of the original band which made the famous treaty with the government in 1850. Wapatak died in abject poverty, although he owned a timber claim worth many thousands of dollars.

While there is no way of computing the age of the old Indians who are now passing, Wapatak has long been known as the oldest of the tribe.

Born near the little town of Tahola, Wash., more than a century ago, he lived to see his father's wigwam replaced by a thriving town of modern homes. Built with large physique, Wapatak took up the burden of warfare when quite young and was acknowledged one of the best bow-and-arrow shots in the tribe. With the coming of the white man Wapatak moved further and further up the Quinault, hunting and fishing, living the lazy, indolent life of the fish-eating tribes of Puget sound.

Whence Inspiration Comes.

The thoughtful suburbanite was talking on the 7:44 out of Umpthorn, says the New York Sun.

"Now, some folks," he said, "think best on a rapidly-moving train. Scribner, for instance, told me that he gets most of his movie plots out of the air as he is being rattled along the rails. Others find walking briskly and alone a great stimulus to thought. Some men tell me they get their greatest ideas while dawdling in a warm bathtub."

"Personally I find nothing more induces thought than shoveling a heavy fall of snow from our sidewalk and driveway. But unfortunately we don't have more than three or four heavy snowfalls a year."

"So that explains it," murmured Catlegh, across the aisle. And the first speaker is still puzzling over what he meant.

Fast French Bombing Plane.

France is to have the first plane equipped with a 75-millimeter gun, a giant for night bombardment, constructed by the Service Technique du Sous Secretariat d'Etat de l'Aeronautique. It is entirely of metal, propelled by four motors of 400-horse power each, is 6 meters high, has a wing spread of 30 meters, while the fuselage is 20 meters in length. The carrying surface of the wings is 220 square meters and the total weight of the plane, fully equipped, is ten metric tons. The plane will fly at a speed of 150 kilometers per hour.

Canada's Fisheries.

Canada's fisheries are one of her greatest assets, and large sums are spent by the Dominion government in providing against the depletion of the supply.

Last year the department of fisheries distributed 846 million fish eggs from her different great fish hatcheries, among the various lakes and rivers. Of these 335 million were whitefish, 165 million pickerel, 166 million salmon.

the trees are double, as though two shoots had sprung up and grown together.

Naturally much legend clings about the old trees, but a scientific investigation of them had never been undertaken until last summer. It was initiated by a discussion between several government men as to how long apple trees live. A plant pathologist connected with the Department of Agriculture was especially eager to know his, as it would shed light upon a certain phase of his work. He said that the oldest apple tree of which he had been able to find any record was in an Oregon orchard and that it was somewhere between fifty and sixty years old. A forest service man told him of this apple orchard that had stood for centuries, according to legend. He pooh-poohed the legend, the discussion ended by the two men climbing into a car and driving 50 miles across the mountains to the town of Manzana.

Trees Still Productive.

They found that the old orchard stood in an arroyo or dry water course. No one seemed to care for it. It got so water in that land of perpetual drought except what came down the arroyo when it rained. The trees were sadly in need of pruning, all of them containing dead limbs, but they still had vitality enough to produce a crop of apples, which were very small, but sweet and well flavored.

Like many another historical monument in the southwest, the old orchard was rapidly perishing of neglect. With proper care the old trees might live for a long time yet, and they have great value both as historical relics and as scientific specimens.

The priest at the Manzana church was glad to tell all that he knew about the trees. He was exceedingly proud of them as relics of the heroic past of his order, but he had neither the time nor the means to care for them. One of the smaller trees had recently died, and he gave the scientists permission to cut it down in order that they might count the rings of annual growth by which the age of any tree may be accurately determined. They counted at least 86 rings, in the sound part of the tree, the rest of them having been obliterated by heart rot, but they felt sure the total was not less than a hundred. And this tree was one of the smallest, some of the larger ones being nearly 30 inches in diameter. The scientists have marked one of the largest trees, which seems to be rapidly dying, as the next subject for their investigations.

The investigation of this larger tree may bring forth proof that here—and probably no where else in the world—apple trees have stood for two centuries or more. What is the secret of this longevity? Did the old Spanish fathers perhaps have some kind of tree that would live longer than any known to modern science? The boosters with which New Mexico swarms will tell you that the explanation is easy—it is simply the wonderful climate of the country, in which the sick get well, the well get better, and apple trees live forever.

WATER IN PLACE OF COAL

French Nation Is Rapidly Harnessing Power of Rivers.

The work of harnessing the water power of France is making rapid progress.

France is supposed to have 9,000,000 horse natural water power. Five hundred thousand horsepower had been put to use before the war; an equal amount was installed during hostilities; 300,000 have been added since the armistice, and 200,000 more soon will be in use, making a total of 1,500,000, equal to half the total stationary steam power used in France in 1913.

Plans of the public works department provide for the utilization of approximately 4,000,000 horsepower within five years. The realization of this project will not only make France independent of foreign markets for coal, but will go a long way toward making good the big deficits in the operation of French railroads, which will largely substitute electricity for coal when the current is available. The French railroads paid 184,000,000 francs for coal in 1913, they paid 2,145,000,000 francs for about the same quantity of coal in 1920; the difference of approximately 2,000,000,000 francs was just about equal to the deficit for 1920.

The biggest individual job of this kind, the damming of the river Rhone at Genislat, near the Swiss frontier, to furnish an average of 750,000 horsepower at all seasons, is temporarily held up, pending an agreement between the state, the department of Savoie and the communes interested. Other work is continuing regularly, however, all along the French Alps, and this in spite of the high costs, reckoned by experts of the public works ministry at four and a half times the prewar cost.

BEQUEATHS BOOTS TO VALET

Portuguese Marquis Also Leaves His Hats to "Devoted" Servitor.

The hats and boots which the valet of the late Marquis de Soveral, former Portuguese minister to Great Britain, kept trim for many years, he may now polish for himself.

The marquis, a close friend of the late King Edward VII, died recently in Paris, leaving an estate valued at \$35,000. When his will was probated it was learned that in addition to \$50 he had bequeathed to his "faithful servant" all his boots and hats in recognition of "long and devoted service."

BRITISH PRIZE COURTS HEAR AMERICAN ARGUMENTS

(By Associated Press)

LONDON, Feb. 26.—Whether the courts of England will be bound by rules of the attorney general of the United States in matters of war claims where the nations acted as allies, is a question put before the prize courts recently by former U. S. Senator Hamilton Lewis, of Illinois. The case is one in which Mannheim, Germany and American firm of Goetz Brothers claim large sums for themselves and others similarly situated because of England's seizure and confiscation of a ship's cargo which included Catholic church vestments and vessels made in Germany for sacred services.

In presenting his case on the appeal, Colonel Lewis handed in an official opinion of Attorney-General Daugherty in the claims of the Dutch church in America, which ordered the return of money confiscated from that church. The attorney-general held that although confiscated as alien enemy property among christian nations, must be construed as property to the use of God—not to the use of war.

Colonel Lewis contended that as one of America's allies in the war England was held, as a matter of international comity, to follow Mr. Daugherty's ruling. He said God could not be construed to be the alien enemy of any people. But the King's counsel retorted that the German owners of the property were enemies at the time of its seizure. The decision has not yet been rendered.

GERMAN HATRED FOT THE FRENCH

(By Associated Press)

ESSEN, Feb. 26.—To be a millionaire every morning after a short visit to the bank and retire every night a pauper; hand the boot-black 1,000 marks for a shoeshine; pay for a modest lunch a sum that in 1914 would have been considered an adequate yearly bourgeois income; part with the pre-war price of an entire barrel of beer in order to be served with a small of Pilsener, are some of the daily experi-

If You Need a Medicine You Should Have the Best

Have you ever stopped to reason why it is that so many products that are extensively advertised, all at once drop out of sight and are soon forgotten? The reason is plain—the article did not fulfill the promise of the manufacturer. This applies not particularly to a medicine. A medicinal preparation that has real curative value almost always is, as like an endless chain system, the remedy is recommended by those who have been benefited, to those who are in need of it.

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iences of foreign observers of the occupation of the Ruhr.

But smoldering hatred and bitter rancor on all sides; ill-concealed animosity toward all foreigners; petty pin pricks under cover of obsequious obedience, and a deep spirit of revenge, bring one back to the fact that this region is under that most hateful of regimes: "military occupation."

"Let me have a couple of millions", is the common request of acquaintances whom one would hesitate to lend five dollars in America.

"Dirty swine of a Frenchman" was the salute that greeted an American correspondent when he came out of the post office the other day, conversing in French with some of his Paris colleagues. The Germans never make a mistake about spotting a foreigner, and to them all foreigners are French, therefore hateful.

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