

“Opportunities” Again Ready For Adoption

List of Persons Who Will Need and Deserve Aid During the Christmas Season Has Been Prepared.

PROMPT ACTION IS NECESSARY

Persons Interested in This Work Should Notify Miss Lentz at the Y. M. C. A. as Soon as Possible.

This year's list of needy families and individuals, designated as "Opportunities," is announced today by the Committee of the King's Daughters and the Y. M. C. A., representing themselves and the various orders of the town and individuals who make it possible for no worthy call to be passed by.

Please phone Miss Lucy Richmond Lentz, at the Y. M. C. A. (phone No. 518) in regard to the opportunity you take, and secure from her the name and street address of the particular "Opportunity" you select.

The committees in charge of this Christmas distribution urge everyone to visit their "Opportunity" before delivering your Christmas cheer.

An old lady and one grand-daughter, 18 years old. Food, fuel and two Christmas bags.

Opportunity No. 2. A mother with three children, girl 11 years, son 6, and girl 4. Four Christmas bags and toys for each.

Opportunity No. 3. A mother and three children, boy 16, girl 14, girl 13. Four Christmas bags well filled.

Opportunity No. 4. A mother and three children, son 14, girl 11, girl 5. Food, fuel and Christmas bags and toys.

Opportunity No. 5. One boy. A Christmas bag.

Opportunity No. 6. A mother and six children, girl 16, boy 13, boy 10, girl 8, boy 6, baby 18 months old. Food and Christmas bags.

Opportunity No. 7. Father and six children. Food, fuel and six Christmas bags.

Opportunity No. 8. Father and mother, nine children from age 17 down. Food and Christmas bags, and toys.

Opportunity No. 9. Mother and nine children. Food, fuel and Christmas bags, and toys.

Opportunity No. 10. A mother and four children: Food, fuel, Christmas bags and toys.

Opportunity No. 11. One boy. Christmas bag.

Opportunity No. 12. Mother and six children. Six Christmas bags and toys.

Opportunity No. 13. Mother and four children, girl 14, boy 12, and two younger children. Food, Christmas bags and toys.

Opportunity No. 14. A boy 11 years. Christmas bag and toys.

Opportunity No. 15. Father, boy 14, girl 7. Two Christmas bags and toys.

Opportunity No. 16. Mother and two children, boy 12, boy 8. Christmas bags and toys.

Opportunity No. 17. One boy 11 years. Christmas bag and toys.

Opportunity No. 18. Mother and five children. Five Christmas bags and toys.

Opportunity No. 19. Mother and two children, boy 8, girl 5. Christmas bags and toys.

Opportunity No. 20. Two old ladies. Food, fuel and bags.

Opportunity No. 21. One old lady. Food, fuel and Christmas bags.

Opportunity No. 22. An old lady and grand-son. Food, fuel and two Christmas bags.

Opportunity No. 23. Mother and six children (in country). Food and seven Christmas bags.

Opportunity No. 24. One lady. A Christmas bag.

Opportunity No. 25. Mother and seven children. Eight Christmas bags.

Opportunity No. 26. One Christmas bag.

Opportunity No. 27. Mother and six children. Seven Christmas bags.

Opportunity No. 28. Mother and five children (in country). Food and Christmas bags and toys.

Opportunity No. 29. Father (mother in hospital) and five children, girls 9 and 4; boys 7, 6, and 2. Christmas bags and toys.

Opportunity No. 30. Father and five children. From 15 down to 5. Christmas bags and toys.

Opportunity No. 31. Mother and five children. Christmas bags.

Opportunity No. 32. Mother and seven children, ages from 16 to 2. Christmas bags and toys.

SENATE ACTION AT ONCE ON POSTAL SALARIES VETO

Move by Administration to Stop Action Defeated by 51 to 30 Vote. (By the Associated Press.) Washington, Dec. 16.—Senator Ashurst, democrat of Arizona, moved in the Senate today that the Senate give immediate consideration to President Coolidge's veto of the postal salaries bill.

The action blocked an administration move by which it was hoped that the veto would be held up until action on a measure to increase postal rates was before the Senate.

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THE FORBES TRIAL

Wm. J. Sheppard One Witness Called During Sessions of Trial Today. Chicago, Dec. 16.—(By the Associated Press.) Further testimony touching upon the celebrated western trip of Veterans' Bureau officials and friends in the summer of 1923 was given today in the trial of Chas. R. Forbes, former director, and J. W. Thompson, Chicago and St. Louis contractor, on charges of conspiracy to defraud the government through hospital contracts.

BRONZE STATUES COME BACK

A sign of better conditions in Germany is the return at Berlin of the bronze statues which were removed when metal money disappeared to keep them from being stolen. Bronze figures of human beings and animals, little copper cupids and angels have returned to their places around the fountains and in the public squares. Police say thieves are no longer tempted by such heavy stuff.

Names Son "Christmas Seal"

Governor and Mrs. Preuss, of Minnesota, named their six-week-old son Jule Merke, which is Norwegian for Christmas Seal. They are much interested in the cause of health for which the seal stands as symbol.

Sustains Demurrer of Baltimore Post.

(By the Associated Press.) Baltimore, Dec. 16.—Federal Judge Morris A. Soper today sustained the demurrer of the Baltimore Post to the indictment charging illegal publication of income tax returns.

Premier Herriot Much Improved.

(By the Associated Press.) Paris, Dec. 16.—Continued improvement in the condition of Premier Herriot was reported today by his physicians.

Marmalade Made from Peas is a Favorite Dish with Chinese Epicures.

Two orphan boys, ages 11 and 9. Suit for each and Christmas bags.

Opportunity No. 33. The county home, fifty Christmas bags (taken).

Opportunity No. 34. The county jail, twenty-five bags.

Opportunity No. 35. The county chain gang, twenty-five members. Christmas bags.

Opportunity No. 36. Mother and three children, ages 1 to 5. Food, Christmas bags and toys.

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FEDERAL PRISON AT ATLANTA MAY HAVE NEW OFFICERS SOON

Rumor Has It That General Housecleaning of Officials Is to Be Made After Inquiry Is Completed.

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The assistant attorney general was expected to confer with District Attorney Clint W. Hager, who last night stated that he had not received an official report on the situation at the prison during the days of investigation of the Department of Justice, remained in charge of the prison as temporary successor to A. E. Sartain, deposed warden.

Sartain, whose resignation followed closely upon that of D. J. Allen, prison purchasing agent, last week, broke his silence in regard to the situation at the penitentiary, and in a published statement declared he had been discharged "solely for the purpose of paying off old scores on the part of certain individuals."

The individuals were not named by him, he said because he desired to remain silent in regard to them for the present. His resignation was requested by Attorney General Stone "on the ground I was too lenient with bootlegger inmates of the prison," Sartain said.

Several investigators have been conducting an inquiry at the prison, he continued, charging that their methods have been unfair. He said that during a period of two months his mail was regularly before he received it, and his telephone was tapped. His private bank account also had been checked up, he said.

Washington Keeping Facts Secret.

Washington, Dec. 16.—The extreme secrecy which has surrounded the change in wardens at the Atlanta penitentiary and the air of mystery which interested officials have thrown about the whole situation has created something of a sensation in Washington.

Attorney General Stone and others who are responsible for the conduct of federal prisons today continued to withhold all information beyond repeating the brief confidential remarks they made yesterday after news of the upset at the penitentiary had reached Washington in Associated Press dispatches from Atlanta.

Just how serious is the situation which led to installation of a new acting warden is a question regarding which officials only hint darkly.

HICKORY PEOPLE PUT OVER HOTEL PROJECT

They Set Out to Raise \$300,000 For New Hotel and Have Raised Total of \$300,700. Hickory, Dec. 15.—In a rousing meeting here on the last night of the drive, \$300,700 were raised in stock for the new hotel which has been occupying the attention of this city for the past month. This is \$700 more than enough needed to put the project across. The cry on the streets tonight is "Hickory will have a new hotel."

The ground for the eight-story building is already broken and work on construction will start immediately. It is the belief of members of the executive committee that the hotel will be completed within 12 months. It will be leased to the Lowery Hotel, Incorporated, and operated under that management.

Marries Pupil; Loses Job.

Rosamond Shaw, a high school teacher at Canby, Oregon, lost her job when she married one of her pupils, a boy 17 years old. She defied the board of directors when called on to resign, and it was only when they came with the town marshal that she could be made to leave. She then refused her month's salary of \$150 and put her case in the hands of a lawyer. The parents of the boy made no objections to the marriage.

Fire Drives 150 Persons From Homes.

(By the Associated Press.) Waterbury, Conn., Dec. 16.—Fire forced 150 tenants in a 42-family tenement house into the street here today after many had been overcome by smoke. Twenty persons trapped in apartments on the fifth floor were rescued by firemen. The damage is estimated at \$500,000.

WHAT SMITTY'S CAT SAYS

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Concord Stores Offer Superior Advantages to Christmas Shoppers

During the past year, a vast improvement has been made in the quality of the goods contained in the stores of Concord. This has been due to several causes. One contributory cause has been the fact that several of the stores have remodeled their quarters with the result that they may now vie with the best in the state. Other new ones have entered, bringing with them the best ideas from a number of outside sources. Even the stores which have not changed buildings have in almost every case, added to the stock of goods and one little way.

However, the thing most noted by residents of Concord and in particular by the shrewd women who are observant of that sort of thing is the remarkable stock of goods which the stores have put on for the holiday trade. It is really astonishing, say the ladies' that for a city this size, there is such a great variety. The stores and shops are chock full of every conceivable thing which is calculated to tempt the buyer, from the most useful clothing to the little dainties and luxuries.

"I have been to all the stores in three cities nearby looking at Christmas goods and haven't found a thing to beat the quality of Concord's shops," said one prominent society woman yesterday. "Of course, there are larger stores and naturally there would be a greater stock, but in the main I find that I can get nearly everything I need right here in Concord."

One glance at the windows, remarks the truthfulness of this lady's remarks. A wealth of gifts is presented to the prospective buyer. One can pick out any number of gifts by doing a little window shopping up and down Union street.

The windows do not hold any false promises. The interiors, although they sometimes present a "messy" appearance where the customers have been "pawing" over the stock, are full of Christmas gifts.

This Christmas seems to be essentially a year when the stores are expecting the "trade" to be calling for useful goods. Times have been a little hard and it is only natural in purchasing thoughts are going to run to getting the actual needs before the luxuries are bought. Thus, the clothing stores have laid in a full line of necessities to attract this kind of a buyer. For the men, overcoats and suits are to be had; scarfs and belts, ties and socks and that always easy to buy but useful gift, handkerchiefs are to be found.

The ladies may choose from a bountiful variety if they are looking for frocks, for hostess or for the numbers of other things that delight the heart and soul of the feminine sex. Of course the more frivolous things have not been omitted. Every store has a vast amount of stuff such as perfume and toilet goods which will be greeted gleefully by any of the women who are so fortunate as to get them on Christmas morning.

The local drug store are well filled not only with the regular line of toilet goods and candies but they are also quite well stocked with useful things on the order of thermos bottles, stationery, etc.

Children have not been forgotten. More stores than ever before are carrying toys and the picture of little boys in front of stores with their faces glued against the plate glass windows watching real running trains or some of the other toys shown there is enough to make the hearts of the grown-ups glad. The grocery stores have also done their bit. They have contributed with fruits and nuts, all of which will be useful for the Christmas table.

"Yes," said the lady in finishing the conversation, "I have made up my mind in the future to stay right here in Concord and save money."

THE COTTON MARKET

Prices Advanced Further During Early Trading.—January Up to 23.75. (By the Associated Press.) New York, Dec. 16.—Cotton prices advanced further in today's early trading owing to reports of continued firmness in Southern spot markets, relative firm news in Liverpool, and reports of improving trade in Lancashire.

The market opened firm at an advance of 13 to 23 points, and showed net gains of 25 to 27 points before the end of the first hour, January selling up to 23.75 and May to 24.52. Offerings increased somewhat around the 24-1/2 cents level for May and considerable commission house realizing gains, "reactions" of 10 or 12 points from the peak. Enough covering and trade buying, however, gave the market a steady tone on the setback.

The opening prices were: Dec. 23.55; Jan. 23.65; March 24.08; May 24.46; July 24.55.

POISON LIQUOR KILLED NINE IN THREE DAYS

Sixty-Seven Other Victims Are in Hospitals, 12 of Them Seriously Ill. (By the Associated Press.) New York, Dec. 16.—The death toll from poison liquor during the last three days mounted to 9 with the death today of Abraham Botney in a Brooklyn hospital.

Sixty-seven other poison victims are in Bellevue hospital. Twelve of them are not expected to live. Several others may be blinded. The death list for December so far is 25, a record number. Federal prohibition agents say the prevalence of poison liquor is due to activities of the coast guard patrol in checking smuggling. Two of the poison victims who died during the last three days were women.

ACCIDENT TO TRAIN WITH GOMPERS BODY

Locomotive Broke Loose From Train But Cars Were Quickly Halted and No Damage Resulted. On Board Gompers' Train, en route to Washington, Piedmont, W. Va., Dec. 16.—The locomotive broke loose from the train bearing the body of Samuel Gompers today on a 17-mile grade, but the coaches came to a stop under their own brakes without damage.

The brakes worked well and the coaches came to a gentle stop. The locomotive was again attached and the train proceeded with the loss of only a few minutes in the schedule.

Congressman Upshaw Sends Trinity College a Message.

Durham, Dec. 15.—Of the hundreds of telegrams from all parts of the country, being poured into the office of Trinity college here with regard to the gift of James B. Duke, multi-millionaire philanthropist who has offered the money on condition that the institution change its name to Duke university, one is especially unique. That one is from Congressman William D. Upshaw, of Georgia.

With characteristic wit and forcefulness, Congressman Upshaw has just wired the following whimsical message from Washington.

"In the name of the continental Congress and the Lord God Almighty, as the hero of Ticonderoga said, and in behalf of that Christian education for which your honored institution stands, I hope your trustees will accept the offer of \$6,000,000 and change your name to Duke university. I would not favor it if a single principle of orthodox Christianity were involved, but the name of Trinity is not peculiar to Methodism since all evangelical denominations believe in that foundation doctrine.

"It is certainly a worthy ambition that the great-hearted donor should wish his family name connected with a Christian institution and naturally one already the recipient of many Duke benefactions. Although I am not a Carolinian, my hat is off to your Duke university and vital Christian education."

Automobile Cures Bolshevism.

Lord Ashfield after a visit to the United States declared the automobile there had proved an antidote for bolshevism. "The autocar," he said, "gives the working people with their families a chance to reach the country and spend their leisure hours away from their ordinary surroundings, and it goes a long way toward preventing discontent and unrest creeping in."

STAR THEATER

Dec. 17, 18, 19, 20 THE GREATEST PICTURE EVER MADE

"The Hunchback of Notre Dame"

This picture was made for you! It teems with action! It is replete with incident! It tells a tender love tale! It is colorful and magnificent. It charms the eye and the mind. Don't miss it.

ADMISSION 50c AND 50c. Buy the Christmas for a Dollar. Four Shows Daily: 1:00, 3:30, 6:00, 9:00

DEAD LABOR LEADER HONORED BY THE

State Library OF FORMER FRIENDS

Body of Samuel Gompers Resting Today in Halls of Headquarters of American Federation of Labor.

ALL WASHINGTON JOINS IN TRIBUTE

Thousands Gathered at Station to Welcome Body to Capital.—Body Will Leave Washington During Night.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Dec. 16.—Within the halls of the structure where he had carried on his toil of years for the cause of organized labor in America, space was set apart today to receive the body of Samuel Gompers in last tribute to his leadership.

The corridors of the American Federation of Labor headquarters, silenced of all activity since the hour of his death, had seemed to sense the meaning of it even before the body of the dead labor chief was borne there for a last brief stay. It remained only for the quiet trend of his host of friends and associates to make the meaning wholly clear.

Reaching in mid-afternoon the end of his long journey here from San Antonio, Texas, the body from there was claimed as the special charge of Mr. Gompers' close associates here in arrangements for the funeral procession. Borne through the president's room in the union station, the spacious plaza was the forming point for the procession which included members of the federation's executive council and other labor chiefs and associates arriving on the train with the body. John B. Colpops, Washington publisher, was named as marshal of the procession, with six labor heads designated as active pall bearers.

Reposing in state in the federation building for six hours the body at shortly after 10 o'clock tonight will be borne for the last time through the portals of the labor hall to be started on the way to its last resting place in Sleepy Hollow cemetery at Tarrytown, N. Y.

The hour for opening the doors of the building to the public had been arranged to permit a first opportunity to the family to remain with the body for a brief time after its arrival.

Plans For Funeral.

New York, Dec. 16.—The entire nation officially and through representatives of finance, business, industry and professions, will share with labor in honoring Samuel Gompers at his funeral here on Thursday morning it was indicated in completed arrangements announced today by Hugh Fryxer, national organizer of the American Federation of Labor.

Several thousand upon representatives from more than 45 individual labor groups will attend the services. In addition, there will be several hundred men of prominence representing national, state and city governments, the army and navy, the national guard, banking and other circles.

Secretary Hughes and Chief Justice Taft have been asked to act as honorary pall bearers. Governor Smith with his military staff and Mayor Hylan will be present.

President's Views on Naval Building.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Dec. 16.—Naval building by the nations of the world on a "broad" basis promises little hope for the future, in the opinion of President Coolidge. Simultaneous with the statement of the President's views, the Senate naval committee postponed action on the resolution of Senator King, democrat of Utah, for an inquiry into the status of the Navy.

Greene County Man Kills His Own Son

Kinston, Dec. 15.—A report to the sheriff's office here today said Ed Goff, a Greene county man, shot and killed his 17-year old son at their home near the Lenoir county line. The cause of the shooting was not stated. Goff was jailed at Snow Hill.

Gardner President of State Fair.

(By the Associated Press.) Raleigh, Dec. 16.—O. Max Gardner, of Shelby, was elected President of the North Carolina Agriculture Society at its annual meeting here today. He succeeds Mrs. Edith Vanderbilt, who retired after serving three years.

THREE CONFEDERATE VETERANS PERISHED

IN DANGEROUS FIRE

Victims Were Staying in the Jefferson Davis Home at Beauvoir, Miss.—Two Others Injured.

SOME VETERANS ESCAPED INJURY

They Were Carried From the Burning Building.—Veterans Were All Asleep When Fire Was Discovered.

(By the Associated Press.) Beauvoir, Miss., Dec. 16.—Two Confederate Veterans were burned to death and two were injured when fire destroyed a dormitory of the Jefferson Davis soldiers' home here early today.

The dead are: F. J. Sharpe, 78 years old, of Columbus, Miss., and J. P. Hunter, 80 years old, of Laurel, Miss.

The injured were: Joe Sanders, of Lauderdale, Miss., feet burned; Clement Cox, of Harrison County, feet and hands burned.

Twenty men were asleep in the one-story frame building when the fire was discovered. Volunteers fought their way through the smoke and carried the veterans to safety. Sharpe and Hunter could not be reached, and their charred bodies were found in bed later. Some of the veterans went back into the building for their possessions, and it was only with difficulty that some were rescued the second time.

The dormitory adjoined the old hospital, occupied by 25 women aged from 80 to 100 years. The hospital was emptied by volunteers.

The origin of the fire has not been determined, but it was believed to be due to an open fire place.

SALISBURY MAN KILLED IN AUTOMOBILE WRECK.

"Cloud" Kennedy Fatally Hurt When Car Turned Over.—Mooreville People Hurt. Salisbury, Dec. 15.—W. M. Kennedy, owner of a garage at the village of Franklin, several miles from Salisbury, and known over the country as "loud" Kennedy, was fatally injured late Sunday near his home when a car in which he was riding turned over. He was killed beneath the car for 40 minutes and internal injuries caused his death at the Salisbury hospital during the night. Hugh Hartness, who was driving the car, escaped with slight injuries caused from gasoline burns. Mr. Kennedy was 35 years old and unmarried. He lived with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Kennedy. The funeral takes place Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock from Bethel Lutheran church at Franklin.

J. U. McLean, 47 years old, of Mooreville, and the daughter, Miss Della McLean, are in the Salisbury hospital to which place they were brought Sunday night suffering from injuries they received in an automobile collision. The injuries are not considered of a very serious nature.

With Our Advertisers.

Fresh car of oranges and grapefruit just received at 41 South Union street. Fruit direct from grower to you.

Gifts that men appreciate can be found at the store of W. A. Overcash. A few suggestions in a new ad, today.

The Citizens Bank and Trust Company is in a position to give the people of Cabarrus county financial co-operation of an exceptionally high character.

A Christmas treat for anyone's feet can be found at the Ruth-Keeler shoe store. See large ad, today.

Be prepared for the promised cold wave. Cold weather clothes and furnishings at the New Edith Store.

Perfumes at the Gibson Drug Store. Christmas sale of fine stationery at 1-3 to 1-2 off at Musette, St. ad.

Toilet sets for Christmas gifts. Gibson Drug Store. Give HER a Hood Tire. She will be pleased. Ritchie Hardware Co.

The little unlooked-for services, courtesies and attentions—outside the beaten path of routine at the Cabarrus Savings Bank will please you. See ad, today.

The purpose of the Christmas Club of the Citizens Bank and Trust Co. is to encourage the saving habit.