

SOCIETY

New Idea



A scalloped brim—two of them in fact—give this chapeau the authority to crow about originality. The stick-up at the side is a secondary claim. Pale colored felt is the material.

MISS SARAH HUDGINS HONORED AT MARION

Many Delightful Attentions Are Being Paid Young Lady Who Is to Wed This Month.

Marion, Dec. 19.—Miss Sara Hudgins, announcement of whose engagement to Judge John M. Oglesby, was made recently, is having many delightful attentions accorded her during the days prior to the wedding which takes place on December 31st.

Mrs. Ralph Alexander and Mrs. Will Pless, Jr., entertained at bridge at the Marion Lake Club Tuesday in honor of Miss Hudgins. The large living room and staircase were most attractively decorated in evergreens and poinsettias appropriate to the Christmas season.

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PERSONAL

Miss Pearl Abernathy, a student of Queens College, is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Abernathy.

G. E. Frick, of Chattanooga, Tenn., arrived in Concord Monday night to spend a few days with friends and relatives in Concord and Kannapolis.

Frank Litaker, a student at Georgia Tech, is home to spend the holidays with his mother at their residence at Cooks Crossing.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Chestwood, of Richmond, Va., are expected to arrive in Concord today to spend the holidays at the home of Mrs. Chestwood's mother, Mrs. J. F. Speight, on South Union street.

Lewis Smart, who is employed in Durham, is spending the Christmas vacation in the city at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Smart.

Miss Juanita Smith, a student at Duke University, has arrived in the city to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Smith.

Bruce Conrad and Curry Lopp, of Lexington, N. C., Lake Allen, of Roanoke, Va., and Glenn Boliek, of Shenandoah, Valley, spent the week-end in Concord with friends.

Miss Elizabeth Smart, student at Queens College, is spending the vacation at the home of her parents on North Union street.

Miss Mary Simpson, who has been making her home in Concord with her sister, Mrs. W. G. Brown, left this morning for Buckingham, Va., where she will spend several weeks.

Miss Margaret Smart, who is teaching school at Greensboro, is spending the Christmas vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Smart, on North Union street.

Franklin Cannon, Charles Ritchie, Dan Ritchie, Tom Coltrane, John Cook, William Flowe and Charles Parks, students at Davidson College, have arrived in the city to spend the holidays with their parents here.

Edwin Morris, who is in school at Washington and Lee University, is spending the holidays in the city with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Morris.

Earl Henderson Brown, who is attending school this year at Pennsylvania University, where he is a junior in medicine, is visiting in the city at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Barnhardt, Jr., before going to his home in Dillon, S. C.

Ed Morrison, Clarence Ridenhour, Halbert Webb, Otto Chaney, George Howard, Carl Benfield, D. P. Price and Thomas Moose, all students at State College, have returned to Concord to spend the holidays.

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MISS MARGARET BELK WEDS WILLIAM R. CRANE

Popular Charlotte Couple Married in El Paso, Texas.—Bride Was Visitor in Concord.

A wedding of much interest to a wide circle of friends, throughout the state was that of Miss Margaret Belk, of Charlotte, and W. R. Crane, of Wm. R. Crane, of Albuquerque, New Mexico, formerly of Charlotte, which was solemnized Friday evening at the home of Rev. Floyd Poe, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, at El Paso, Texas.

The ceremony was witnessed by a few friends. The bride wore a handsome costume of dark blue chermee and brown accessories and small hat of silver cloth. She wore a corsage bouquet of bride roses and valley lilies.

Mr. Crane and bride will leave today for Albuquerque to make their future home. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Belk, of Waxhaw. She has spent the past eight years in Charlotte, and is beloved by a wide circle of friends.

For some time past Miss Belk held a position in the local office of the Piedmont and Northern Railway and was held in highest esteem by the officials and clerks. She was educated at Queen's College and specialized in music. She is bright and attractive and has a winning personality.

Prior to leaving for Texas a week ago she was accorded a number of lovely parties by friends in Charlotte and Concord.

Mr. Crane is a native of Mecklenburg county. He formerly held a position with the Virginia Life Insurance Company in Charlotte. He was in the world war and saw service overseas. After the armistice he decided to locate in Texas and later went to Albuquerque, where he has charge of a large tourist camp.

Mr. Crane has many friends in Charlotte and Mecklenburg county who will be interested in the news of his marriage. Miss Belk has visited Mrs. E. C. Tucker on a number of occasions and has many friends in the city who will be interested in learning of her marriage.

UNUSUAL SERVICE AT ST. JAMES ON SUNDAY

Congregation to Have a Song Service in Afternoon in Which Christmas Carols Will Be Used.

A service of rather an unusual nature is being arranged for in St. James Lutheran Church for Sunday afternoon, December 27th. Believing that there are many people both of the older and younger class who enjoy singing the Christmas carols, an hour will be given for just this kind of a service.

The whole time will be used in singing. It is the purpose to chant both the scripture lesson and the prayer. The idea is to give the whole service over entirely to the congregation. Not more than one or two special numbers will be rendered by the choir.

A short introduction will be given to some of the carols before they are sung, thus adding interest and force to their rendition. The people of the town are invited to this service and it is the plan to make this really a community sing for all those who like congregational singing and like to sing those old Christmas hymns.

Dr. Strevell will play, and as his ability as an interpreter of music and a hymnologist is well known, there is the assurance of a most helpful service.

North Carolina Cotton Crop Already Exceeds Largest Previous Crop.

Prophets of a 1925 cotton crop for North Carolina of less than a million bales were put to rout yesterday when publication of ginning figures to December 13 showed that 1,083,534 bales had been ginned on that date.

It is expected that the total figures for the 1925 crop will be in the neighborhood of 1,200,000 bales, but the figures as of December 13 shows the greatest crop in the history of the State.

The previous high record was made in 1911 when 1,075,000 bales were ginned, but in 1911 comes the crop of 1924 with 1,020,000 bales, these being the only million bale years prior to this year. Last year the crop was only 765,000 bales.

GEAN STRATTON PORTER'S "KEEPER OF THE BEES."

A member of the Y. M. C. A. basketball team sends a request to Santa, care The Tribune. He evidently does not think that his team is having a very successful season, judging from his remarks.

I am a girl 17 years old. I am not asking anything for myself this year. All I want is for you to send my teachers a few little gifts. Some nice little sticks of dynamite (lighted) for their stockings would be cute.

Also for flavoring, a couple of grams of paragon in their coffee would be good. And for the teacher I love best, all please send a nice big bull dog with a bad case of hydrophobia. Thanking you in advance, I am

Your little friend, PRIVOLOUS FLOSSIE.

The next letter comes from a High School girl who has evidently not been too successful with her examinations since the resumption of the present school term. She says:

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An Occasional Column By MILES WOLFF

It is unfortunate that Mr. Sherrill stopped the publication of the Santa Claus letters so soon. Here it is, three days from Christmas and ever so many of the little ones are clamoring for their dear Old Santa to bring them this and that.

All want the old fellow to see their names in The Tribune and when they learn that it is impossible to print any more of their letters, you should see how they cry. It really is terrible. As I said before, it is positively unfortunate.

So moved was I by the sighs and tears of the dear little things that I decided to throw open the very valuable space of my Occasional Column and let them print their tender and touching attempts to inform Santa of their needs.

Of course, I really could not put them all in the paper, so numerous were they. However, I am giving you a few of the best ones. Take for instance the case of a little boy named Harold Grange. This youth, though not a resident of Concord, wrote here and asked that we tell Santa about him.

For, said he, I haven't made but a half million of dollars in the last month and if something isn't done, I will not be able to keep the wolf from the door during the next year.

You see, he continued, I am not asking for any frivolous gifts, like so many of the young boys I know. You don't see me begging for loud ties or extra-wide Oxford shoes. All I want is for you to bring me the rest of the million dollars and then I can support my father, my brother, the owner of the Wheaton ice plant and the other residents of Illinois.

I might even do some charity like showing the boys in Wheaton how to side-step. And dear Santa, he added in a postscript, send me a few more movie contracts like the last one.

There was another letter, which could not be printed in this issue of The Tribune because it has only eight pages and the letter would take much more than that. This letter was from a young boy who was governor of a certain state a short time ago. He petitions Santa Claps to send him a nice, big, juicy state deficit and also a plug of Brown Mule chewing tobacco.

Both will be appreciated ever so much, was his original way of thanking his friend St. Nicholas. Although this little boy did not say so in his letter, it was easy to read between the lines and discover that he would like to be governor of that same state again another year. Maybe he will ask Santa for that next time.

Here is one from a local flapper which I am giving you in full: Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 23 years old and have to work hard for a living so please don't forget me this year. Won't you tell my parents that I am going to be awfully reasonable in my wants for Xmas.

I am asking for only one fur coat. Of course, if they don't think that is enough, I could use a new evening dress and some of those adorable pink underthings. I need some silk stockings also and a few other little things.

Also tell my boy friends that I am not going to expect much. Just a few bottles of perfume (the kind that costs around \$15 an ounce) and a couple of five-pound boxes of candy. Thank you so much.

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CHRISTMAS PLAY IS PRESENTED BY H. Y.

"Why the Chimes Rang" One of the Best Home Talent Plays in Years—Cast Well Trained.

A play of unusual beauty and finish, with a Christmas legend as its background, was presented at the Y. M. C. A. Monday night by the members of the H. Y. Clubs under the direction of Miss Delma Hesperger. A small audience was present to applaud the rendition of "Why the Chimes Rang."

For a home talent production, the thing was unusually good. The characters were well trained and did not have to be prompted, the scenery was adequate, although placed in the Y gymnasium, as it was left much to the imagination, and the audience did not laugh at the wrong time.

The whole performance was very effective. First honors must go to Francis Pickard, as Holger, the boy hero of the play, who did his part with an ease and freedom of affection worthy of many an older amateur actor.

Mary Grady Parks, as an old woman, also played a stellar role, depicting a character which must have been difficult in its portrayal. These two characters were outstanding.

John Hugh Williams and John Mc Innis performed their parts with credit. The remainder of the cast had nothing to say, with the single exception of Mary Carson, as an angel, who brought the play to a close with the quoting of several Biblical verses.

The theme of the play was taken from the old legend of the medieval city where the Cathedral Chimes rang on Christmas when the perfect gift was brought for the Christchild. On the night of the play, Holger is detained at his home when an old woman comes for alms. He feeds her and

then tells her of his disappointment at not being able to attend the services at the Cathedral. While they are praying, they are suddenly transported to the Cathedral where Holger is told by the old woman to take his gift up to the altar. When he gives the priest the few pennies he has the chimes suddenly burst into song and an angel appears.

Effective music was rendered off-stage during the time when the gifts were being presented. The cast was: Holger—Francis Pickard. Steen—John Hugh Williams. Beter—John McInnis. An Old Woman—Mary Grady Parks.

Priest—Jack White. Gentleman—Frank Armfield. Courtier—Baxter Ward. Woman—Millent Ward. Scholar—Mac. Hokard. A Young Girl—Julia Rowan. King—David Crowell. Angel—Mary Cannon.

Fighting Romances, a Macfadden publication for January has some little stories of men and their doings. "The Poisoned Glass" is a tale of a fugitive crook in Central America, there is the second installment of "Attec Gold," the adventures of an ex-soldier on the Arizona Desert.

"The Set-Up" is a stirring and dramatic story of a fighter's final fight while "The Masked Rider" depicts the startling exploits of a gallant Australian Highwayman.

Mother: "Every one says my daughter got her beauty from me. What do you say?" Friend: "It was very unkind of her to take it from you."

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Advertisement for Browns-Cannon Co. featuring an illustration of a man in a suit and a woman in a dress. Text: "We're Late Too! Men's New Gifts being opened for last minute buyers! Even today we are opening new packages of gifts for your last 2 days of buying. Being a last minute shopper at Brown's means you are going to see last minute merchandise."

Advertisement for Browns-Cannon Co. Text: "Here is, quickly-jotted down, the new men's gifts you can find here today— New Ties, New Socks, New Shirts, New Hats, New Suits, New Overcoats, New Shirts, New Handkerchiefs, New Hath Robes, New Luggage. Browns-Cannon Co. Where You Get Your Money's Worth CANNON BUILDING"

Advertisement for Parks-Belk Beauty Shoppe. Text: "COIFFURE The modern woman no longer puts up her hair in unsightly 'curlers.' The permanent wave has become universal. We employ the best method and our prices are fair. 'Our Methods Please' Phone 892. PERMANENT HAIR WAVE."

Advertisement for Warner's Concord Theatre. Text: "WARNER'S CONCORD THEATRE TWO DAYS COMMENCING THURSDAY DEC. 24th Matinee Christmas Day 'SOME BABY' Presenting MARY FARRELL AND COMPANY of Thirty. A complete scenic comedy drama with a cast of real artists direct from a season at Miami, Fla. Matinee Friday at 3 P. M. Nights Thursday-Friday 8:30 PRICES: Matinee 25c-50c-75c; Nights 25c-50c-75c-\$1.00 Pictures Will Be Shown Thursday From 1 P. M. to 8 P. M. Friday from 11 A. M. to 2:30 P. M., and 5:30 to 8:00 P. M."

Advertisement for Richmond-Flowe Co. Text: "Christmas Gifts We are showing a fine selection of gifts suitable for men and women: Men's Hand Bags, Ladies' Fitted Cases, Ladies' Hat Boxes, Men's and Women's Silk Hosiery for Christmas Gifts. A Wonderful line of Neckwear. Visit Our Store before making your selection. Roberson's ONE-THIRD LESS THAN THE REGULAR PRICE is now available on every Dress and Coat. Roberson's Prices are always reasonable and Consistent—This Reduction makes them a Sacrifice. RICHMOND-FLOWE CO."

Advertisement for Vicks VapoRub. Text: "ASTHMA There is no 'cure,' but the wheezy breathing that prevents sleep may oftentimes be relieved by inhaling the soothing medicated vapors of— VICKS VAPORUB Over 17 Million Jars Used Yearly"

Advertisement for Cline & Moose. Text: "GOOD THINGS FOR CHRISTMAS Big lot fresh sweet 'Lakeland' Florida oranges. We sell box or at retail. They are all sound. Good and sweet. The very highest grade fruit, at reasonable price. Our apples are the celebrated 'Valley Cruises' Watauga county apples. The different sizes in boxes. New York State No. 1 Baldwin apples in barrels. Our apples have the flavor. They are cheap. Brazil nuts, California walnuts, coconuts, layer raisins, package raisins, dates, figs. Big assortment of candy. In fact everything good to eat. See us or phone before you buy. We deliver quick everywhere. Cline & Moose FRESH CANDY Elmer's and Johnston's 1 to 5 Pound Boxes Make Her Happy With a Box of the Best CHOCOLATES Cline's Pharmacy Phone 333"

Advertisement for The Respect. Text: "The Respect Sold By BRUL-HARRIS FUNERAL PARLOR Day Phone 640 Night Phone 395-1492"

Advertisement for Auditorium Charlotte. Text: "Auditorium CHARLOTTE Mat. Night Xmas-Seats Now Prices: \$2, \$1.50, \$1, 50c THE VALENTINE COMIC OPERA CO. as THE DOHEMAN Gals 50 PEOPLE Who Want Comedy THE World's Best Loved Opera IN Point of Beauty, Musical Worth and Entertaining Qualities— THERE IS NOTHING FINER Produced by HAMILTON COLMAN MISS VALENTINE CONDUCTOR CONCORD COTTON MARKET TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1925 Cotton seed 49 1/2"