

Christmas In A Near East Relief Arphanage.



Christmas in the Syria Orphanage of Near East Relief was a very happy one this past Christmas for the hundreds of orphan children. From various sources, our personnel had been able to arrange that each one of our large family of 1800 children should have a gift. Many things were secured from miscellaneous boxes that had been sent from America. Others came from here and there, and old Santa's sack was finally rounded out with purchases made with money given by friends for this special purpose. The girls received dolls or a simple tin and bright colored handker-

SUNDAY LAWS IN OPERATION AGAIN

Arrests In South Carolina Head For Pinehurst; Four Golfers Arrested. Columbia, S. C., Feb. 27.—(Continued) "blue laws" invoked in South Carolina "for a tight Sunday," today resulted in the arrest of golfers in Greenville as they went to the links to spite Governor Richards' orders yesterday for officers to be on the alert for such violations. It was the second "blue" Sabbath in the State and the more general in effects than last Sunday. Golf stores were either closed or sold only to those purchasing necessities, while no gasoline filling stations were reported operating. Four men were arrested on Greenville links. They were former collector Bonham, W. G. Perry, Jr., and Cushman and David Ferguson. W. Rogers, state constable, was the arresting officer, and the charges were violation of Sunday laws. The men were released on their recognizance by the constable, but when they started to resume play, they were warned that it would result in their "lock-up." Bonham and his companions then drove by automobile to Bismore, N. C., near Asheville, where they finished their game. It is said they would fight the case

WOMEN NOT PLEASED WITH DIVORCE BILL

They and the Preachers Up in Arms Over Two Attempts to Change Present Laws. Raleigh, Feb. 27.—The women and preachers are up in arms over two attempts in the senate to change the present laws as to divorce. They like not the change offered by Senator McDonald, reducing the necessity of abandonment from five years to two, or Senator Lawrence's bill, which would allow divorce on grounds of abandonment when either party to a marriage was sent to the state prison and served five years for a felony. The women back home may not be taking any particular interest in the proposition but the women of the various women's clubs, welfare associations and other such allied clubs are up in arms. They are against such "letting down of the bars." The present law, allowing absolute divorce after five years abandonment on the grounds of desertion, would be cut to a mere two years under the McDonald measure. The moralists claim that the term ought to be lengthened if any change is made, while the liberalists are out to give divorce to those who want it and can't get along without it. The same old war cry "You can't legislate morals," has been heard again as a reason for the bill's passage. And the battle cry of the opposition is the same old war whoop. "Don't let down the bars, protect our homes and womanhood." The Lawrence bill is drawing similar fire. It is aimed to change the law so that the Supreme court will not rule as it has done, and, incidentally, as most every Supreme court in the nation has ruled, namely, that a felon isn't a deserter of the other mate when sentenced to prison.

HUGE DEPOSITS OF CYANITE ARE FOUND

In North Carolina.—Deposits of This Material Will Become Increasingly Valuable. Tribune Bureau, Sir Walter Hotel. Raleigh, Feb. 28.—Use of cyanite as a refractory material, is increasing among the manufacturing companies of the country. The Department of Conservation and Development announces today, following the return of State Geologist H. J. Bryson from a meeting of the American Ceramic Society at Detroit. Deposits of the material in this state will become increasingly valuable with the continued use of cyanite, which is not only being utilized as a refractory material, but as a diaspore, a hydroxide of aluminum, in other clay bodies, a survey of industry indicates. Scientists are now working toward the solution of one of the problems of a more general utilization of the mineral, its concentration. A plant for this purpose is now being erected in Virginia, and it is thought that the proximity will be a material boost for the production of cyanite in North Carolina. Until comparatively recently, cyanite has been found in the eastern part of the United States only in small pockets, making its production difficult in a commercial quantity. Although there has not been an opportunity for a thorough investigation of the newly discovered deposits of cyanite in this State, the preliminary surveys have indicated that the quality is good and that there is an apparently unlimited quantity. Recent developments in scientific and manufacturing lines are greatly encouraging to the future development in this state on a large scale.

Garrett Denies He Swindled Holtzons

Says Suit Filed at Charlotte Grew Out of Family Row Over Division of Property. Charlotte, Feb. 27.—Complete denial of charges that he swindled nine relatives out of \$185,000 in the estate of Miss Harriett Holtzon, wealthy Charlotte spinster, alleged to have been made by Jesse W. Garrett, prominent Charlotte business man. Mr. Garrett made a sweeping denial of the charges today and said that the suit filed Friday afternoon grew out of a family row over division of the property. The plaintiffs alleged that for many years Miss Holtzon was kept a prisoner by Garrett and his mother and never allowed to be alone with any other relatives. It also was alleged that Garrett secured deeds to property valued at \$185,000 by representing to Miss Holtzon that she was signing leases on the property. It also was alleged that Garrett collected thousands of dollars in rent money from property owned by Miss Holtzon and never made an accounting of this money.

Boy's Dream Saves His Life In Fire

Detroit, Feb. 27.—(Continued) that some one had stolen his toy wagon from the front yard of his home here, Morris Couzens, eight years old, awakened early today and ran downstairs. The action probably saved his life, for as he reached the lower floor he discovered the house in flames and called to neighbors for help. Before he arrived, however, his mother, Rose Couzens and three brothers, Meryl, 15 months; James, eight years, and John, two years, trapped in the rear of the house, were burned to death.

Not a Permanent Cure

Rastus brought a him back to the store, saying it was no good. "That ham's all right, Rastus," the storekeeper insisted. "Why it only was cured last week." "Well, maybe it's been cured all right," Rastus answered after some reflection, "but it sho' has had a relapse."

Oh dear, oh dear, said Mrs. Brown, My house is simply tumbling down. For goodness sakes, said Mrs. Pate, Why don't you call up 258? They fixed my house, it's simply spiffy, Any my! they did it in a jiffy. So to the phone hied Mrs. Brown, And soon the builders came around. Now Joy reigns supreme in the house of Brown, Their home no longer tumbles down.

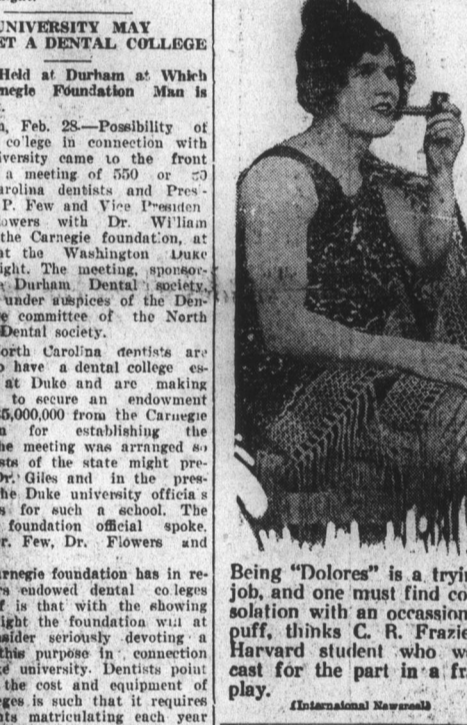
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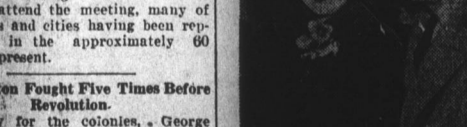
Lina Cavallieri, famous singer, showed her devotion to her country's boss by wearing Mussolini's portraits on her earrings.

Dolores



Being "Dolores" is a trying job, and one must find consolation with an occasional puff, thinks C. R. Frazier, Harvard student who was cast for the part in a frat play.

Out on Bail



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Washington Fought Five Times Before Revolution

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No Wonder. Once an elderly lady was being shown over Nelson's ship, the "Victory." At the party approached the spot where Nelson met his death, the attendant pointed to the brass plate fixed in the deck, and said, "There is where Nelson fell." The old lady was impressed, but not in the right way. "No wonder," she said, "I nearly tripped over that thing myself."

Charlotte Teachers GET LOW RATING

Instructors in Charlotte Elementary School Near Bottom in Scholastic Training, State Survey to Show. Charlotte Observer. Charlotte, printing herself as leader in North Carolina in the number of school children, ranks near the bottom of the list in scholarship of the teachers in its elementary schools, according to figures to be contained in the next issue of School Facts, published semi-monthly by the state department of public instruction. Figures for the elementary school systems in Charlotte, Winston-Salem, Asheville, High Point, Raleigh, Gastonia, Durham, Greensboro, Salisbury and Goldsboro, will be given in a review of supervision in the city schools.

Below Average.

These figures will show Charlotte as ranking lower than any except High Point and Raleigh, in scholarship, and considerably below the average for the ten. According to the survey, Charlotte elementary teachers rate an average scholarship of 70.21 as compared with 76.37 for Gastonia, which ranks at the top. The average scholarship is 74.42. There are 6,853 children enrolled in Charlotte's elementary schools, it will be shown. They are taught by 235 teachers, a larger number than are employed in any other city system in the state.

Higher Progress.

In a scientific investigation made by the division of supervision in two groups of consolidated schools the survey will reveal, it was found that supervised schools made 126 per cent more progress than the children in schools where there was no supervision. In the system studied there is an average of nearly five professional supervisors. In this respect Charlotte ranks above the average and is second to Winston-Salem, the leader. In discussing supervision in rural schools the survey will show that two counties in the state are employing county supervisors. They direct the work of 121 elementary teachers, or an average of 138 each. In Charlotte, each supervisor directs the work of 23 teachers, giving city schools a much higher rating than the rural schools.

College Trained.

The average scholarship equipment of teachers in city systems is more than three years college training, while the average for teachers in the rural schools is less than one year. Progress in school in supervised and unsupervised counties is compared with reference to four factors—attendance, length of term, scholarship of rural teachers and the number of standard elementary schools in the counties.

Judge Webb to Study THE WISCASSETT SUIT

Tells Attorneys to Prepare Briefs So That He May Go Into Merits of Case. Shelby, Feb. 26.—The \$1,700,000 mandamus suit heard here today before Judge James L. Webb concerning the Wiccassett Mills of Albemarle, is still undecided. The Judge took it under advisement and attorneys connected with the case were of the opinion that the decision will not likely be rendered for several days and possibly a week.

The action, brought by two prominent stockholders, J. F. and M. L. Cannon, seeks to compel directors of the big mill company to declare in dividends the surplus of the corporation over the capital and working stock. This surplus, it is said, totals \$1,700,000. The capital stock of the plant is set at \$3,800,000 and the working capital at \$1,700,000. J. F. Cannon, one plaintiff, is said to own more than 25 per cent of the capital stock, but alleges he is now excluded from active participation in the management. Over and Above Dividend. From the arguments and briefs presented by attorneys here today it is understood that the surplus in question is over and above a 10 per cent dividend that has regularly been declared by the company. Some time back the plaintiffs are said to have petitioned the directors for a dividend covering the full surplus but this was refused. The present action then was taken by A. L. Brooks and other Greensboro attorneys representing the plaintiffs. An odd feature of the big suit is that Mr. Brooks, attorney for the plaintiffs is one of the mill stockholders and also a director, while E. T. Canler, Charlotte attorney defending the mills, is also a director and stockholder of the company. A good portion of the day was taken up in placing the complaints, answers and arguments before the local jurist.

Important Litigation.

Mr. Canler declared during the argument that the litigation is the most important of its type to come up in the State in 10 years and that the decision will have an important bearing on corporation law. Mr. Brooks seemed to agree as to the importance of the case but was of the opinion that his clients were doing nothing more than asking that the law compel directors to pay surplus funds out in dividends to stockholders after a working capital has been declared, which he contends has been done in this case. With the agreement as to the importance of the case counsel decided to present full written briefs to Judge Webb. Several days will likely be required for preparation of the briefs and examination of their contents before the decision is rendered.

Compiling a Directory.

"But, lady," a movie license clerk explained to a movie actress applicant, "the law compels me to record all previous marriages before I issue a license." "Good Lord!" exclaimed her prospective husband. "And I've got a taxi waiting!"

Texas Guinan, New York's widely known night club hostess, left jail on bail, after her arrest on three prohibition points. Her brother, Tommy was waiting for her.

A man tries to live up to his reputation, a woman to her photograph.

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Governor Endorses Women's Movement to Use More Cotton.

Raleigh News and Observer. Governor McLean yesterday issued the following statement in regard to the movement launched by North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs to promote a more extensive use of cotton goods. "Perhaps one of the most effective things that can be done at the present time to rehabilitate the price of cotton is to bring about a greater demand for cotton goods. If the women all over the South will enter upon a systematic campaign to promote a more extensive use of such goods, I believe that most beneficial results will be forthcoming. I regret very much that I am prevented from attending the King Cotton Ball to be held in Greensboro on Saturday night, the 26th, by the fact that I am recovering from a deep cold and therefore it is inadvisable for me to travel."

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