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Five more shopping days until Christmas. Our corps of clerks are at your service. Torrence-Morris Jewelry Co.

-- If you haven't done that Christmas shopping yet, better do it now.

Traveling sets at Atkins-Baber Book Co.

-Miss Margaret Morris and little Miss Nell Page Atwater left today for Bynum, where they will spend the Christmas holidays.

The ideal Christmas present-a year's subscription to The Gazette. Costs only \$2 and will remind the recipient of the giver 156 times during the year.

-Messrs E. R. Padgett and E. N. Pegram, both of whom have been confined to their homes with attacks of influenza, were able to be out again yesterday.

See our line of scrap books and kodak books. Atkins-Baber Book Co.

.--Miss Berthel Mitchell, a member of the city high school faculty, left yesterday afternoon for her home at Rocky Mount in response to a message telling of the very serious illness of her brother.

Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Caldwell received a letter today from their son, Lieut. A. G. Caldwell, of Co. F, 28th Infantry, saying that he was "safe, sound and well," It was dated November 16th and was written from a village on the Meuse river in) Flance.

Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Rawlings have just received a letter from their son, Private Frank Rawlings, dated November 29th, stating that he was o. k. and hoping to get home soon. He was recently transferred from Co. D, 105th Engineers, to a casual company.

Mrs. M. L. Douglas received this morning a letter from her son, Lieut. Ben E. Douglas of Co. A, 115th Machine Gun Company, dated November 27th, in which he said that he was well, that the boys were all getting along fine and that they were hoping to get back home soon.

Mr. J. Ed Harper, of the Bethel Asection, has received word through the government of the death from pneumonia of his son, Isaac Harper, in France on August 29th. A memorial service was held at Bethel Chapel Sunday afternoon for him. He had been a faithful member of this church for years prior to his entering the service of his country. He is survived by his father and mother, three brothers and two sisters, Clara, Paul, Virginia, Helen and Ralph.

Mr. Robert W. White has recently received a telegram from his son Private Sam A. White, announcing that the latter had arrived at New York, on his return from France. Private White has been on the sick list for some time, and is now at a debarkation hospital near New York. He will probably soon receive an honorable discharge from the service on account of sickness.

FIRST N. Y. TO CHICAGO PRESIDENT WILL STATE AIR MAIL SERVICE TODAY **AMERICA'S PEACE POLICIES**

(By International News Service.)

NEW YORK, Dev. 18. - The first air was innugurated at 7:20 o'clock this morning when Lead Smith in a Debaviland left Belmont Park carrying 200 thomas carries of Gen. Pershing - Jamy The mail will be relayed by airplane to "Mr. Wils a by Premier Clemencean and tioned at Leighton, Bellefont, Clarion, Pa., Bryan and Cleveland, O., and Gary, End., for use in case of emergency.

YESTERDAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 17. The Berlin Lokal Anzeiger states that a revolution has broken out in Bulgaria.

BERLIN, Dec. 17. The German congress of soviets today voted for the formation of a national assembly to supersede the Reichstag. This was a sharp defeat of the Spartacus or extremist group, headed by Liebknecht and his radical lieutenants. The independent socialists deserted their former allies, the Spartacus, and voted with the majority of was a faithful soldier. He is survived the socialists for the first time.

LONDON, Dec. 17. Field Marshal von Mackensen has been interned on the demand of the Allies, says a dispatch from Covenhagen this afternoon.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17. Nearly 7. 000 verbal or informal war contracts and purchase orders, aggregating a billion and three quarter dollars are tied up in the War Department. Their legality is seriously questioned by the comptroller of the treasury, Purchases Director Geo. Gothals told the House committee this afternoon. At the request of Secretary Baker, chairman Dent introduced a bill in the House to legalize them.

BERNE, Dec. 17.-German soldiers turned machine guns upon helpless and unarmed American prisoners at Thurly detention camp, killing three, reports Norman Zimmerman, of the 110th Infantry, claiming that he witnessed the barbarous act. This and other stories of cruel treatment of captives by the Germans were related today by returned American prisoners. The Germans struck American prisoners in the face with the flat sides of their swords without pro vocation, cut the brains out of a wound ed, unarmed American, took gas masks away from American prisoners in the danger zone when they had masks of their own, beat and kicked prisoners.

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CARLS, Det. 18. The President is exmail service from New York to Chicago [10/20] () make his first statement of the peace pull tos of America in an address In the sequers of the American expedipounds of mail for Chicago. His first heavy acters on Christmas day. Various stop was scheduled to be Bellefont, Pa. French points of view have been given to Cleveland, then directly to Chicago where | President Poincare. The Itanian views it is expected it will arrive at 4 o'clock pre-to be presented by Premier Orlando this afternoon. Other planes were sta [Thursday, and Premier Lloyd George will] confer with President Wilson probably Saturday, with Secretaries Baltour and Law also present:

The weather today is goath, more the The President will probably visit nearby battlefichts - Echo de Paris says the preliminary rence conference will be held during the first ten days in January. If predicts that the final treaty will be signed at Versnilles during early dune.

DEATHS

MOSES WHITE

Mr. Moses White, a Confidentie of eran and encod York county's obles, and best known outgens, dued yesterday at us home near Hickory Grove, aged 89 years. During the way Mr. White was a member of the 17th S. C. Regiment, C. S. A., and by his widow, who before her marriage was Mbss Martha McGill, and several sons and daughters. Decensed was an uncle of Mr. Robert W. White, Mr. Wilham M. White, and Mrs. S. Ehmer Spencer, of Gastonia. Funeral services will be conducted Thursday morning at 11 o'clock at Smyrna A. R. P. church in York county.

"OTIS BRADLEY.

Friends and relatives here have reeived the sad news of the death of Otis Bradley, aged 20 years, who died on December 9th at his home in Farmington. Washington, after a brief illness from influenza followed by pneumonia. Deceased was the second son of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Bradley, who moved from this county to the State of Washington about 25 years ago. He was a grandson of Mr. McKee Bradley, of West Gasto nia, and a nephew of Mrs. J. D. Heath and Mrs. D. R. Shields, of this city, and of Mrs. A. E. Beam, of Cherryville, Mrs. Otis Bradley, wife of deceased, is critically ill with influenza and is not expect ed to recover. Besides his parents and requilfather the domain is main lat three brothers, Messrs, Conley, Lonnie and Rommie Bradley, and one sister, Miss Dorothy Bradley. Mr. Couley Brad ley is with the American expeditionary forces in France

Was Chosin a' Annua' Membruship Meeting Lo t N. cl.t -Other Officers Elected ic. to --- Meed of Board of Health, Whole T + Health (ffler), Y. M. C. A. and Other Things D served - R parts Show Chambe, in Fine Shape,

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

MR. J. H. KENNEDY HEADS

M- 3 H. Kenneds will head the administration of the bast one thamber of Commerce for the calcular year 1919 as president. He succeeds Col. C. B. Armstrong, whose term es_ine. De embor 74 Ele ting officers for the ensuing year, and bringing uptimate important propo-

sitions as suggestions for a program of



work for 1919, the annual membership meeting was held at the offices last night with President Armstrong presiding.

A city board of health, a community building including a Y. M. C. A. and other matters of interest were thoroughly discussed. And not the least was the launching of plans for the proper reception of the men from the service when they return. The organization is constantly proving itself the civic clearing house of Gastonia.

Officers elected for the year 1919 were the following : President, Mr. J. H. Kennedy; first vice president, Mr. Fred L. Smyre; second vice-president Mr. R. Grady Bunkin; treasurer Mr. S. N. Boyce: director of finance and organization affairs, Mr. M. A. Tarner; director of conventions and public affairs, Mr. R. B. Babington; director of civic affairs, Mr. A. K. Winget; director of mercantile affairs, Mr. E. J. Rankin; director of publicity, Mr. J. W. Atkins; director of traffic and transportation, Mr. J. White Ware; director of industrial affairs, Mr. W. D. Anderson. The nominating committee named, under the by laws, was composed of Messrs, S. A. Robinson, T. L. Craig, M. A. Carpenter, C. C. Armstrong and J. M. Shuford. The seven directors were placed in nomination by this committee.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

AT CENTRAL SCHOOL

A Christmas program will be rendered i'riday morning at 8:45 o'clock in the mulitarium of Central school to which the public is cordially invited. An excellent program consisting of Christmas carols has been arranged under the direction of Miss Linee Smith, teacher of music in the city schools.

The program is as follows: "Oh Holy Night" and "The Birthday of a King," solo by Evan Glenn and chorus.

"Away in a Manger," by second and third grade pupils.

"Christmas Eve," by fourth and fifth grade pupils.

"Oh. Little Town of Bethlehem," by the school.

Song by first grade pupils. ... Under the Stars, ... by the school.

"We Three Kings of the Orient," by

the Three Wise Men. "Silent Night" and "Joy to the

World," by the school. "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing," by

school and audience.

The Christmas program has with it a story in the form of a pantomime, in which the following pupils will represent the various characters indicated:

Mary, Helen Johnston; The Angel, Rebeeen Fayssoux; Joseph, Bonnie Norris; The Three Wise Men, Frank McLaughen, Ewart Knight and William Kincaid; Angels and Shepherds.

MR. AND MRS. SMITH CELEBRATE THEIR GOLDEN WEDDING.

At their home on South Willow street vesterday afternoon from 3 to 6 o'clock Mr. and Mrs. John Laban Smith were at home to their many friends at a formal reception in celebration of their golden welding anniversary.

The guests were received at the front door by Mr. and Mrs. Giles T. Smith, and were presented to the bride and groom by Mr. and Mrs. George W. Smith. Miss Lois Smith was in charge of the register of guests. Mr. and Mrs. B. Gray Rankin and Mr. and Mrs. Stamey W. Smith received at the dining room door.

In the dining room Mrs. Robert O. Graig and Misses Lois and Harlee Todd presided over the serving of delicious pound cake, coffee and tea. The decorations were of Christmas bells and bolly. In the center of the dining table was the wedding cake with gold trimmings and surrounded by 50 golden candles and 59 red hearts, while over it was suspended a huge red Christmas bell.

Music was furnished during the evening by Misses Jane and Carrie Morris and Lillian Atkins, who rendered oldtime songs and selections appropriate to the occasion. Miss Carrie Morris played the wedding march as the bride and

Christmas gifts in solid gold and sterling silver. 'Torrence-Morris Jewelry Co.

-City Tax Collector V. G. Grier calls the attention of taxpayers that their city taxes have been due and payable since October 1st and that the penalty attaches to all taxes remaining unpaid on January 1st. He asks that all come forward and pay up and save trouble and expense.

Send The Gazette as a Christmas present to that Gaston friend living either in the county or some where else. They will think of you then three times a week for a whole year.

-Mrs. E. O. Jennings is ill at the City Hospital. Her condition, however, is not serious.

Boy Scout books and Girls Camp Fire books-they make fine presents for the young folks. Atkins-Baber Book Co.

-The body of Barnet Price, aged four years, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. V. Price, of Rowan county, was brought here yes terday for burial.

Platinum pins set with diamonds from \$100 to \$500. Torrence-Morris Jewelry Co.

-Ellen Neal, aged five years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bynum Neal, died at their home at Spencer Mountain yesterday. The body was taken today to Kings Mountain for burial.

Nothing would make a more appreciated Christmas gift than a year's subscription to The Gazette. Have us send it to that friend. Only \$2 a year.

-Mr. E. O. Jennings returned today from Richmond to which plaze he accompanied Mr. A. B. O'Neil last week. The latter is undergoing treatment in a hospital there and his friends will be glad to know that he is getting along nicely.

Stationery is our middle name and we have a splendid holiday line. Makes a highly appreciated Christmas present. Atkins-Baber Book Co.

-Mr. E. R. Padgett, of the clerical force at the postoffice, is able to be out again after having been confined at his home on Morris street for the past two or three weeks by an attack of influenza.

Soft cuffs require a special button for comfort. Correct cuff links in gold from \$2 to \$15. Torrence-Morris Jewelry Co.

When Soldiers May Swear.

Thou shalt not swear unless under extraordinary circumstances. And "extraordinary circumstances'' can be defined as moving your tent in the middle of the night under a downpour of rain, seeing your comrade shot, or getting coal oil in your tea. Some of these things are visualized in "Private Peat" which will be shown at Gastonian Theatre Thursday.

To the man or woman away from home ne's nothing like the old home paper. Ind The Gazette as a Christmas present. Only \$2 a year.

Mr. Robert W. White is the proud possessor of a German helmet which was sent to him recently by Mrs. White's son, Corporal Paul Miller, who was with the North Carolina troops that went through the famous Hindenburg line. Mr. White had told the boys not to send him a helmet unless they had "gotten" the wearer, and he supposes that Corporal Miller had properly disposed of one boche before sending him his helmet back home as a souvenir.

Private Charles M. Robinson, who had been doing limited service as a clerk to the local exemption board, received his final discharge from the army last week.

Mr. J. R. Carson, of the Pisgah section, received a letter yesterday from his son, Private Thomas E. Carson, dated November 24th in which he stated that he was well and getting along o. k. Private Carson landed in France the day before the armistice was signed. He said that on his first night over there he ran across his cousin, Will Oates, son of Mr. J. T. Oates, of Bessemer City, route two, and added that he certainly was glad to see him.

Second Lieutenant Ernest R. Warren, of Gastonia, and Second Licutenant Ralph P. Stowe, of Dallas, have returned home from Fort Sill, Okla., where they were in the school of Fire for Field Artillery officers. Both have resigned their commissions and have received their final discharge from the service. Lieut. Warren was with the 7th Field Artillery Replacement Depot at Camp Jackson before going to Fort Sill, and Lieut. Stowe was with the 9th F. A. R. D.

Private G. C. Glover, who has been stationed for the past few months at Fort Hancock, Cranford, N. J., as a member of the 22nd Company, C. A. C., returned home Sunday night, having received his final discharge from the service.

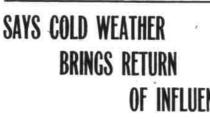
A card received by The Gazette from Lieut. H. A. Query, of the advance detachment of the 28th Field Artillery, 10th Division, states that he landed in France some time previous to the date on which the card was written, November 21st. His many friends will be glad to know that he is in good health and spirits.

Ivory toilet sets engraved with monogram to match your room. Torrence-Morris Jewelry Co.

Mayor Dixon the Speaker.

Mayor A. M. Dixon will be the principal speaker at the West Airline Avenue M. E. church Saturday evening at seven o'clock when a service flag will be unveiled. This congregation has several young men in the service. The public is cordially invited to attend.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.- The International Mercantile Marine Corporation, through President Franklin, in a telegram to the House committee today, endorsed government ownership of wireless sta tions in the United States strongly



Second Epidemic. Easier To Prevent Than Cure. What To Do.

Encouraging reports of the fewer cass of Influenza in this vicinity should not allow us to relax our vigilance or to be become careless in the belief that the danger is over," says a well known authority. With the coming of cold weath er there is apt to be a return of this frightful epidemic and its seriousness will depend on the extent of the precautions, taken by the public, to prevent infection.

When the air is full of influenza germs, you may be constantly breathing them in | an organ which affords much pleasure to your nose and throat. But their danger may be avoided and you may make yourself practically immune to infection if you destroy the germ before it actually begins work in your blood.

During the recent serious epidemic, which hit Gastonia so hard, most successful results were obtained by many through the simple breathing into the nose, throat and lungs of the medicated air of oil of Hyomei. Probably no better, safer or more sensible precaution against Influenza, Grippe, Coughs, Colds, Bronchitis or Catarrh of the nose and throat could be employed than to go now to the nearest drug store and get a complete Hyomei outfit consisting of a device into which a few drops of the oil

are poured. Carry this inhaler with you during the day and each half hour or so put it in your mouth and draw deep breaths of its pure healing germicidal air into the pasdestroy any germs that may have found lodgement there. This simple precaution may save you a serious illness and the loss of several weeks work. It is pleasant to use and not at all expensive as the inhaler will last a lifetime and further supplies of the Oil of Hyomei can be had at any drug store for a few cents.

Hundreds of people in this vicinity used Hyomei in this way during the recent crisis and avoided danger. They should not neglect it now for the danger Co., Druggists.

Dallas Docs.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

DALLAS, Dec. 17. The home for the infortunate of our county is one of which the citizens of Gaston county should be justly proud, not because of its relatial appearance or interior decorations, but because of its genuine home likeness. made so through the efforts of C. C. Craig. a most efficient superintendent and a man who believes in home: A steam heated building, the installation of Delco lights and a number of other modern conveniences are enjoyed by the old folks. Their health at this time is unusually good not a case of the "the" having invaded the home thus far. A new potato house has been completed and now contains about 400 hushels of Naney Hall notatoes A large new smokehouse with concrete foundation and concrete milk trough, modern lice and it was decided after favorable and sanitary in every way, is sufficient to meet the importative demand of "hog killing time." Of the 17 hogs yet to kill, several will weigh 400 pounds.

A most generous gift and one wreatly appreciated was that of Mr. John A Smith, of Bessemer City, who sent to the home for a Thanksgiving dinner, thirty chickens, total weight of 120 pounds. One for each inmate and one for the superintendent. Each enjoyed a half chicken and still there is chicken for Christmas. Another gift, bespeaking the thought fulness of the giver, Mrs. R. S. Lewis, is and relieves the monotony of the sameness of a life of this kind. The folks

here appreciate, the little acts performed for their comfort and are glad to be re-

mee again; those who have been quite

tonia, spent Sunday with Mrs. F. F. Rhyne, of route two.

various homes were_ Misses Bertie Brown, of Charlotte; Lela Hovis, of High Shoals, and Mrs. C. W. Kendrick, of Mayworth.

bottle of the pure Oil of Hyomei and a ing from Newport News to spend the little vestpocket hard rubber inhaling holidays with homefolks and friends.

> 'raig & Wilson, went to Salisbury Monday and there identified a man named Goodman and a Miss Culbertson as the on his firm for \$35. The couple are in jail at Salisbury charged with flashing checks at Greensboro, Concord, Charlotte, Rock Hill and other towns. The couple bought an inner tube here from Craig & Wilson some days ago. In pay ment they gave a \$35 check on a Rock Nill bank and received the difference in cash. The check came back marked "N.

-Mr. R. B. Babington and Miss Mary is by no means over. J. H. Kennedy & Love Babington will leave tomorrow night for Atlanta to spend several days. I can troops home as quickly as possible.

The report of the secretary, Fred M. Allen, showed the organization to be in good condition financially and very act ive. A detailed report will go out at the close of the calendar year.

Dr. D. A. Garrison referred to the med of a cuty bound of fealth with adequate powers and the matter was discussed by several present, also the idea of having a whole time health officer. All were in favor of the idea. Finally a committee consisting of Mr. J. H. Separk, Dr. Gar rison and Mr. R. B. Babington was named to confer with the proper officials. Mayor Dixon referred to the need of organized planning for the proper reception of our men returning from the serv dis ussion to call a conference of the presidents of the Chamber of Commerce, the Commercial Club, the Red Cross, the Woman's Betterment Association, "the United Daughters of the Confederacy and the Daughters of the American Rev olution to formulate plans.

Rev. Dr. J. H. Henderlite referred to the proposition of a community building, a memorial, and especially with regard to the need of a Y. M. C. A. as a feature of it: This matter is already in the hands of a committee.

There was much live discussion of all topics brought up, indicating a deep interest in the civic work under way.

TODAY'S COTTON MARKET

(By International News Service.) NEW YORK, Dec. 18. - The cotton market opened with contracts for Janu ary selling at 26,95, March 25,97

Why worry over your Christmas shopping? Our immense stock and courteous clerks are at your service. Torrence-Morris Jewelry Co.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

On account of the crowded condition of our advertising columns, no advertisements for Friday's Gazette will be accepted after 6 p. m. Thursday, and no advertisements will be accepted for Monday's Gazette later than 9 a.m. Saturday.

GAZETTE PUBLISHING CO.

PARIS, Dec. 17.-A formal invitation to visit the Vatican was extended to President Wilson today by the papal envoy from the pope. The Italian ambas-sador to the United States also_extended an invitation to the President to visit Italy. It is now unlikely that President Wilson will go to Italy until the last of January, President Wilson will meet Marshal Foch for the first time at 5:30 this afternoon, when Marshal Foch will make a formal call, just arriving from Treves. President Wilson conferred today with Chairman Hurley, of the National Shipping Board of the United States, on the problem of getting Ameri-

groom entered the dining room, which was lighted with golden candles. When the host and hostess with their guests had gathered in the dining room Mr. J. H. Separk made an appropriate talk on behalf of Mr. and Mrs. Smith.

With the exception of the dining room, the house was lighted with electric lights with golden shades. Mr. and Mrs. Smith were the recipients of a large number of gifts of gold. During the hours designated a very large number of guests called to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Smith upon the happy occasion and to wish for them many more years of happy wedded life.

TO GIVE PARTY FOR BENEFIT OF FRENCH ORPHAN.

The Willing Workers will give 'Tacky'' party at the Dunn Mill Hall on Saturday night of this week, December 21, at 7 o'elock. Prizes will be given for the boy and girl who are dressed the "tackiest." Oysters will be served during the evening. Admission will be 5 and 10 cents and the proceeds will go toward the support of a French orphan whom the society is supporting for a

Kodaks make attractive Christmas gifts. \$2 up. Torrence-Morris Jewelry Co.

Some Pledges Yet Unpaid.

"Let me congratulate you on the admirable manner in which you are caring for collections in your county, the system you have employed being in my opinion one that could not be improved upon," says State Director Z. D. Dunlap of the United War Work campaign in a letter to the Gaston county committee. Despite this system, however, the best that could be planned, there are still some who have overlooked the December 2nd payment of 50 per cent of their pledges. Immediate payment is urged.

Father-who always gives more than he receives-would appreciate a toilet set all his own. Torrence-Morris Jewelry Co.

Dallas, Route 1, News.

forrespondence of The Gazette.

DALLAS, Route 1, Dec. 18.-Mr. Coumbus Costner has returned home from Wilmington where he has been at work for the past few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Costner spent Sunday with Mrs. Bessie Quinn.

The family of Mr. A. A. High are all up and around again after having been confined to their beds our the past few weeks with the influenza.

Mr. H. E. Cloninger has the influenza, the only one in this community so far as we know

Knights Templar charms from \$15 up. in solid gold only. Torrence-Morris Jewelry Co.

-The many friends of Mr. T. H. Morgan, of 505 East Main avenue, will be glad to know that he is able to be out again after being a patient at the Gas ton Sanatorium for the past eight weeks. Mr. Morgan was first ill with the influenza, and afterwards underwent an opera-

membered The town is almost free of influenza sick are now recuperating. Misses Flora and Julia Lewis, of tras

Those spending the week-end at their

Mr. R. O. Costner arrived this morn-

Check Flashers Caught. Mr. Yancey D. Moore, bookkeeper for sages of your nose, throat and lungs to couple who recently passed a bogus check

OF INFLUENZA Public Must Be Careful To Avoid A