

CHRISTMAS!

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Notice to Subscribers
After Jan. 1, 1912, we shall require all subscriptions on our single list to be paid in advance, unless guaranteed by our home people. We are now sending upwards of 200 papers in single wrappers to almost every state in the union, and we find as a too common rule that little attention is paid to the date to which their paper is paid, and too often, after the paper has been taken for a period beyond we are notified to stop same, either by postmaster or subscriber without remittance of amount due. Hence cash in advance will be our motto on all single wrappers.

Will a merchant who is wise ever cease to advertise? Yes--when the trees grow upside down; when the beggar wears a crown; when ice jorms on the sun; when the sparrow weighs a ton; when gold dollars get too cheap when women secrets keep; when a fish forgets to swim; when Satan sings a hymn; when girls go back on gum; when the small boy hates a drum; when no politician schemes; when mince pie makes pleasant dreams; when its fun to break a tooth; when all lawyers tell the truth; when cold water makes you drunk; when you love to smell a skunk; when the drummer has no brass--then these things come to pass then the man that's wise will neglect to advertise.

Today, Dec. 21st, is the shortest day of the year. See if you can notice the day lengthening tomorrow.

Some time ago we mentioned the suit of the U. P. railroad company against Mr. L. Hansen of the First National Bank, to recover an additional \$8 on the tickets he purchased when he took his vacation trip to the Pacific Coast, some months ago. The case came up for final trial before County Judge Smith last week Wednesday and Saturday the judge rendered decision in favor of Mr. Hansen. Judge Wall, for the company, gave notice of appeal. The history of the case in a nutshell is that Mr. Hansen purchased two tickets for himself and wife to the Pacific Coast paying the agent here what was asked for the same, made the trip, came home and later the company asked an additional \$4 on each ticket, on the plea of misrouting, we believe. It is claimed the inter-state commission law was violated, in that the purchase price was not sufficient and Mr. Hansen was asked to make up the deficiency, but as he paid the agent the amount asked as purchase price for said tickets, he did not feel in duty bound to pay more. It is a funny law that will make a man pay twice on a ticket. Mr. Hansen paid the price asked and just why he and not the company should be responsible for the so-called mistake in the purchase price is queer to say the least. According to the contention of the company, anyone purchasing a railroad ticket has no assurance when he does so and pays his money, that he will not be called upon to dig up still more at a later date.

Mr. Emil A. Lang, who for the past eighteen months has been out here in the wild and woolly west from his home in New York City getting the benefits of our pure ozone climate making his headquarters with his cousin, Mr. and Mrs. Will Schuman, south of Ashton, and incidentally showing Will how they farm in the big metropolis, left for his home Tuesday morning highly benefited in health and experience from his contact with true western spirit. Emil is a jolly good fellow and the many friends he has made during his sojourn here will regret that he did not give up the effete east and make his future home among us. However, we will wish him the best of health, wealth and prosperity wherever he may be.

There are a number of splendid samples of corn on display at the First National Bank of Loup City grown (this dry season) on Sherman county farms among the rest being eight different varieties grown this year by E. E. Tracy on his Loup Valley land which is quite interesting. Mr. Tracy had corn that made 50 bushel per acre--not bad for a poor season.

CHRISTMAS AT CHURCHES

At the Presbyterian Church
Sunday School program of Presbyterian church for Sunday evening Dec. 24th;
Song by the School.
Recitation, Hazel Burleigh.
Exercise by ten little girls.
Recitation, Lucille Taylor.
Song, "The Bethlehem Baby," by five little girls.
Recitation, May Killen.
Solo, Fay Galloway.
Responsive reading.
Prayer.
Song, "Santa Clause," Hazel and Duane Burleigh.
Recitation, Walter Jones.
Recitation, Hilda Lakeman.
Cornet Solo, Zelpha Reed.
"Christmas guests," The Gleaners.
Song by King's Daughters.
Recitation, Eliza Olsen.
Recitation, Clifford Swanson.
Exercise, by three little girls.
Primary song, "A way in the manger"
Recitation, Viola Youngquist.
Recitation, Mary Baird.
Drill, "Christmas Soldiers," Hope-full Band.
Song, Frieda Dieterichs.
Recitation, Ruby Larsen.
Recitation, Gertrude Collipriest.
Song, Christmas fairies.
Recitation, Ipea Swanson.
Recitation, Mildred Williams.
Solo, Jeanette Taylor.
Song by the school.

At the Methodist Church
Christmas Exercises of the Methodist church for Sunday Dec. 24th: 10:30 a. m. Divine service.
Prelude, Mrs. R. P. Starr.
Hymn No. 180.
Prayer concluding with the Lord's Prayer.
Responsive lesson, Christmas Offertory.
Solo, Mrs. Lou Schwamer.
Hymn No. 110.
Sermon, "He shall be Great"
Hymn No. 115.
Evening service 7:30 p. m.
Prelude, Mrs. R. P. Starr.
Processional, Oh, Mother Over Jerusalem, Choir and Chorus.
Doxology.
Hymn No 107.
Offertory.
Christmas anthem, choir and chorus
Short sermon, subject, "Christmas"

Christmas Program for M. E. church for Dec. 25
Voluntary Mrs. R. P. Starr.
Hithem church choir.
Gloria Patri.
Apostles Creed.
Invocation Dr. Leeper.
Responsive Reading.
Christmas Offering.
Duet (with chorus) Iva Henry and

Florence Lehniger.
Recitation, A Christmas Welcome
Theodore Gasteyer.
Solo, Just a little Baby Margaret Long and class.
Primary Dept.
Solo (with chorus) Sing today Oral Young and class.
Exercise "Herod and The Wise Men." Mr. Lehniger's class.
Exercise, Our Gift, Nine girls.
Song, "Come and Worship, School.
Recitation, Lucille Taylor.
Solo, "That Wonderful Night" Mable Daddow.
Exercise "Our Christmas Banner" Mr. Tracy's class.
Solo, with violin obligato, Florence Dewey.
Song, Christ is marching On School Presentation of Christmas treat.
Song, Joy to the World.
Benediction.

THE CHURCHES
Swedish
There will not be any service Dec. 24th. On Dec. 25th at 5:30 a. m. will be the "Swedish Julotta." In the evening beginning at 7 o'clock sharp, the Sunday School will give an interesting Christmas program and entertainment.
German Evangelical
Our Christmas celebration will be as follows: Dec. 23, 7:30 p. m. at Kelo Dec. 24 7:30 y. m. at Loup City Dec. 25 10:30 a. m. service and Lord's Supper. Dec. 25 6: p. m. at Ashton Dec. 26 4:30 at Rockville.

Baptist
Services every Sunday Preaching at 10:30 a. m. Sunday School at 11:45 a. m. Preaching at 7:30 p. m. Prayer service and Bible study at the parsonage Thursday evening at 7:30.
Next Sunday morning at the Baptist church, the pastor will speak on the subject "Christmas Joys" The Christmas exercises will be in the evening. Come and enjoy these services.

Presbyterian
Christmas Sermon 10:30 Sunday the 24th. "God's Incarnate Gift." A special program of song and recitation will be given in the church by the Sunday School at 7:30 p. m.
You may not be able to set your clock by R. D. Hendrickson's exact time in making his regular trips between his farm and his office in town, but last week he moved out on his farm and daily walks to and fro between farm and city, morning and evening, on close schedule time. We speak of this in remembrance of a friend in Iowa who worked in town and lived in the country, and people used to set their time, morning and evening, as he clock could be more punctual than the time he passed over the route in his daily walks.

PROGRAM

TO BE GIVEN AT
Moon School House
DISTRICT NO. 14
SATURDAY, DEC. 23, '11
AT EIGHT O'CLOCK P. M.
EMMA F. ROWE, - - - TEACHER

Recitation--"Welcome" Edith Ward
Recitation--"Little Nellie's Visit from Santa Claus" M. J. Rogers
Solo--"Christmas" Iva Fross
Recitation--"Santa and the Mouse" Marie Gilbert
Duet--"Christmas, Glad Christmas" Ruby and Hilda Fross
Recitation--"If I Should See Santa" Raymond Pinkney
Dialogue--"A Plan That Failed" Howard Rowe
Recitation--"Watching for Santa" Howard Rowe
Recitation--"Mittens Gets the Best of Santa" Amy McIlravy
Exercise--"Christmas" Primary Class
Recitation--"Ready for Santa" Mildred Ling
Dialogue--"An Inquisitive Man" Hilda Fross, Charles Smythe
Recitation--"If Santa Claus Were President" Clifford Ward
Exercise--"Glad Hearts" Stockings and Candles"
Dialogue--Primary Class
Recitation--"Flea Powder" Emma Rowe
Dialogue--"Train to Lookdown" Song--"We Wish You a Glad, Merry Christmas" School Exercise--"Good Night"

"Shooting the Slang Business"
The girls of Seward have organized an anti-slang society. A certain miss was elected president. Asked if she would accept the position, she replied: "Sure Mike, Gosh, girls, I am so rattled in my cupola that I am really short on gab. We are certainly hitting the high places and I never tumbled to such a polish before but when I give you the high ball I expect you to get there, and whooper up to snuff enuff so that the flies won't light on me while doing the president stunt of this society act but I won't stand for any monkey doodle business from you gals while I am running this ranch. We ought to extend an invite to the married ladies to get out of the wet and help us shoot this slang business, it's getting nerve." Tamora Lyre.

We wish to remark that a slight snow visited us last Saturday night, causing prophets to predict a white Christmas, but, alas, like Bryan's prophecies, came to naught, as next morning's sunshine dissipated the white mantle as neatly as did the republican election dissipate J. W. Bryan's falacies.

Miss Dessie Danielson arrived last evening on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Danielson, who expect Miss Melvia from Fremont Saturday evening. They also expect their son and wife, from Iowa, any night this week.

On Monday of this week the editor received a letter from his son, Frank W. Burleigh at Nelsonville, Ohio, stating that on the evening of last Thursday, the 14th inst., their house was burned with most of their furniture, they saving their personal effects and very little of their household goods. Frank and his wife express their thankfulness that the fire occurred so early in the evening that no casualties occurred. He does not speak of insurance, and we hardly think he carried any. The many friends of Frank and his bride of eight months will sympathize with them over their misfortune.

Salomon on the Bench.
An old offender was introduced to a new country justice as "John Timmins, alias Jones, alias Smith." "I'll try the two women first," said the justice. "Bring in Alice Jones."

Cocoon Culture.
Eight years are required to bring the average cocoon tree into bearing. There are usually 60 or 70 trees to the acre and the profits from cocoon culture are usually good.

New Arizona Industry.
Residents of Arizona have discovered that cactus needles or thorns are admirable for use as graphophone reproducing points, and a big export trade is anticipated.

Worth Heeding.
When blows of affliction or bereavement fall, the best advice for our needs is that scrap of street wisdom that floated to my ears: "Keep quiet and go on."--Exchange.

Always the Best Way.
It takes courage to keep quiet and go on. It is not an easy way, but it is the way which, having taken, no one ever regrets.

Lucky Prima Donna.
It is, indeed, a lucky prima donna who can have her artistic proficiency measured by the amount of jewelry she wears.

The Real Measure.
Your rank as a living creature is determined by the height and breadth of your love.--Ruskin.

Tragic Dream Came True.
To dream of being mangled by a locomotive and to have that dream come true shortly after he had related it to his companions was the experience of Wilmer Johnson, of Phoenixville, Pa. While off his engine it began to move, and the enactment of the dream came true, as he jumped for the running board, but missed it and fell under the wheels.

New Variety of Burglar.
Flatbush awoke the other morning to find, to his surprise, that there is one type of burglar which has never been branded and labeled. Heretofore it was supposed that a specimen of every form of burglar was on file at "quadrangle," but no record was found of the burglar who skins the silverware and cash and confines himself to cold cream, talcum powder and millinery brushes.--New York Herald.

Algebra to Be Made into Poetry.
It is reported that a French teacher has invented a system for teaching algebra in poetry. About fifty-five years ago there was an educational system in vogue by which a considerable share of the academic curriculum was set to music and sung by the teachers and classes. Even the multiplication table was one of the songs, with the five column as a chorus, sung to the tune of "Yankee Doodle."--American Educational Review.

Red the Popular Color.
Red is the color loved by the Bulgarians and few dresses there are not enriched with its brightness. Their dyes are all their own and the red runs to a dark dullness almost infringing on crimson and is a secret carefully guarded and cannot be replaced outside the mountain fastnesses of the little state itself.

Probably Would.
"That sentence is not incorrect," said the professor, "but it sounds odd to the English-speaking ear."--Harvard Lampoon.

Still in Primitive Life.
The natives of New Guinea have been found living as if in the stone age.

Deeply Religious.
"Deeply religious is he." "Yes, indeed. If he dines out on Friday, he tells nothing but fish stories."--Puck.

Fashions in Bulgaria.
Bulgaria believes in fringes, and they are over all with the rare exceptions when the undershirt, always of the best of white linen, may be scalloped at the bottom and even then the fringe effect is used in the over tunic, or the gathering of the many threads suggests to the wearer the numbers of their nations, as is their peculiar red dyed reminder of their blood, and the flowers, and grains, and fruits, considered on their gowns represent their industry.