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A BUSY DAY.

There is a lot to be done today. Although we may have shopped early there are always some things that are forgotten in the advance preparations and these have to be attended to on the last day. The last of the packages must be taken home or sent to their recipients elsewhere; there are the last messages of cheer to be dispatched and the Christmas dinner to be provided. Probably you have spent a good deal of money, but you doubtless have a bit left that you can turn over to your pastor or to the Salvation Army for the Christmas of somebody less fortunate than yourself. There is always somebody who is not as well off as you are; today is a good time to think of that somebody and to do something for him if you can.

A KENTUCKY HERO.

Today the Blue Grass state does honor to one of her heroes—a man whose patriotism was not limited to state boundaries, but who wrought for the good of the entire country. One hundred years ago today "Kit" Carson was born in Madison county, Kentucky; forty years ago he crossed the great divide, but his fame has increased until he has become one of the most famous of the figures of our early history, and legend has added to history's contribution in making him great.

The career of "Kit" Carson began when, at the age of sixteen, he joined an overland trading expedition to Santa Fe. Before he was eighteen he had roamed over a great section of the country between the Rocky mountains and the Pacific coast. For sixteen years he supplied himself with everything he ate by means of his rifle. He never visited the settlements or trading posts except to obtain ammunition.

He married an Indian woman in New Mexico and lived the life of simplicity followed by the Indians. When his wife died in 1842 he took his infant daughter to St. Louis to be educated. Lieutenant John C. Fremont was then fitting out at St. Louis his first expedition to explore the Rockies, and he engaged Carson as a guide. He was also connected with Fremont's second expedition, and continued with him during the conquest of California. During the civil war he rendered valuable services to the United States government, for which he was breveted a brigadier general. His death occurred at Fort Lyon, Colorado, May 23, 1868.

TAMMANY'S SWIFT FINISH.

Tammany is making a characteristic finish. During the past six weeks New York has witnessed an orgy of municipal expenditure such as probably never has been beheld in any city in the world before. This is not because the city legislators have suddenly gone mad like some of the Roman emperors whom they appear ambitious to excel, nor is it that Father Knickerbocker has added to his usual extravagant habits so far as his expenditures are concerned. The explanation is found in the desire of the dying Tammany hall administration, confronted by the prospect of four lean years, to make as big a "clean-up" as possible, to award as many contracts and authorize as many schemes for the expenditure of city funds as possible through its faithful henchmen. Since election day the city funds appropriated for various purposes have amounted to $55,000,000, or at the rate of nearly $2,000,000 for each business day. In addition it is reported on good authority $15,000,000 is scheduled before the end of the year. Contracts involving $40,000,000 have been let, and this amount will be increased by an equal sum if the nerve of the dispensers of city funds holds out. With the patronage of the city departments cut off Tammany must depend on the holders of city contracts to supply places for its followers, and it evidently intends to make the opportunities in this direction as numerous as possible. The reckless piling up of the city's debt has called out many protests, including one from Mayor-elect Gaynor, although he was elected to office on the Tammany ticket.

BETTER CONDITIONS.

Henry Clews, writing under date of last Saturday, finds much in present conditions to warrant confidence. Mr. Clews, who has been watching the work of congress for a good many years, does not believe there will be any serious disturbance of business by legislation. He says:

"As the year draws to a close there is an improved undertone in financial circles. Uneasiness is gradually disappearing, and a more hopeful feeling prevails. Congress has been in session for nearly two weeks, and thus far there are no indications of seriously hostile legislation against either corporations or railroads. President Taft is shortly to issue two messages, one dealing with the railroads and another with large corporations. Nothing is yet known concerning the president's purposes on these subjects, but his well known views, which have been repeatedly expressed in the past, afford assurance that no radical proposals will be offered. It is not likely that the railroads will object to any reasonable regulation, nor are the corporations likely to any longer resist a rational application of the anti-monopoly law. A good deal of discussion must be anticipated, and more or less radical talk may be expected, but no disturbing legislation seems probable at this date. The rational action of the courts, moreover, in recent anti-trust matters is assuring, and in all probability new legislation will in due time be shaped to more closely conform with the action of the courts."

Busy crowd,
Anxious man
Trying hard,
Best he can,
To perform
Wife's behest.
See him push
With the rest.
From the crush
See the man
Wiggle out.
He began
Looking gay;
Now he's glum
For he has
Been going some.

While the sugar trust finds little cheerfulness in the season, the refund of the stolen millions adds to the joy of the rest of us.

Mingled with the noise of Christmas preparation is the sound of the water wagon, rumbling along in the distance.

Dr. Cook is at least honored in his own precinct. Brooklyn may be slow, but she's steadfast.

The mere fact that you are happy should induce the desire to see everybody else happy.

Dig into the crowd and laugh with the rest of the last-day throng.

The sugar trust finds little comfort in the blessedness of giving.

Try to think of everything today; it will be too late tomorrow.

Tom and Jerry are in town for the Christmas celebration.

Infect happiness into every dose of Christmas medicine.

Have you remembered all of them? Check up your list.

Establish an effective quarantine against the grouch.

Fumigate to destroy every germ of discontent.

Laugh and the world laughs with you.

Cheer up. It comes but once a year.

Awake, arise, or be forever fallen.

Make the home merchant merry.

Make it a whirlwind finish.

Now's the last chance.

Shop early—today.

SOME APPLE STATISTICS.

Spokane, Dec. 23.—Someone with a taste for statistics has calculated that if the apples on display at the National Apple Show, which closed its second exhibition in Spokane on November 20, were placed side by side they would stretch over 72¼ miles of ground. There were 1,325,831 apples, the average diameter being three inches, a total of almost 351,458 feet. The entries consisted of 18 full cars of 630 boxes, 10 limited displays, 28 tree-for-all exhibits, of which 21 were from non-irrigated orchards and 15 from irrigated tracts; 73 entries in the state and provincial groups, representing 23 states and the provinces of British Columbia and Nova Scotia; 99 ten-box, 185 five-box and 278 single-box displays; also 1,323 plates of five apples each. The exhibits covered three and a half acres of floor space and were seen by representatives of every state, territory and province in America and visitors from various parts of Europe. Twenty boxes of prize-winning apples will be sent to President Taft, 10 boxes will be forwarded to the emperor of Japan, and 50 boxes will be presented to King Edward and members of the royal families in Europe, and to the president of France.

SAFE IS ROBBED.

Kansas City, Kas., Dec. 23.—Robbers early today blew open the safe of the State Bank of Centerville, near here, and escaped with $1,500.

WASHINGTON NEWS

MISSOULIAN'S SPECIAL SERVICE.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Plans for additional work by the war department at Fort Missoula have been laid before congress by Quartermaster General Aleshire of the army. They include a water supply system costing $40,000, and the construction of roads and walks in the fort at a cost of $15,000. General Aleshire appeared before the house committee on military affairs and explained that as modern army buildings were being constructed at Fort Missoula these improvements were necessary. The committee provided for the work in the usual lump appropriations for water supply and construction work at military posts.

In the army appropriation bill just reported to the house is an item of $10,000 for starting the work on the water supply at the fort. This will provide for the digging of additional wells and the enlargement of the pumping station. The remainder of the appropriation necessary for the water system, $30,000, will be provided in future bills.

"The reconstruction of this post," General Aleshire informed the committee, "making it a modern post, makes the construction of a new water system necessary. The supply will be be taken from the stream running through the reservation, and will necessitate a pumping plant, a storage tank, and supply mains to the new part of the post at Fort Missoula."

General Aleshire also announced plans for construction work at Forts Harrison and Assininboine as follows:

Fort Harrison—Complete water supply system, $40,000; repairs to and services at target range, $50.

Fort Assininboine—Repairs to and services at target range, $22; water supply, $70,000.

In January the following civil service examinations will be held at Fort Missoula:

January 12—Engineer physicist, bureau of standards, $2,000 to $2,500 a year.

January 19—Telegraph operator at Pensacola (Fla.) navy yard, $2.80 a day; engineer in wood preservation at Denver forest station, $1,000 to $1,300 a year; entomological and apicultural assistants at the department of agriculture, $840 to $2,750 a year.

The following orders affecting the postal service in Montana have been issued:

Discontinue mail service on train No. 6 from Spokane, Wash., to Billings. Extend run of clerks in short run, trains 7 and 8, from Dickinson, N. D., to Glendive, Mont., increasing distance 166 miles, making the service from Jamestown, N. D., to Miles City, including a distance of 323 miles.

Discontinue special service from Conrad to Valier.

Star route changes—Dupuyer to Conrad. From December 27 embrace and end at Valier, omitting Conrad, decreasing 10 miles. Tokna to Enid. From January 1 embrace and begin at Sears, omitting Tokna, discontinued, without change of distance.

Any person of good judgment, who has received an ordinary common school education, can readily and easily pass the test to be given applicants for census enumerators' places, on Saturday, February 5, the date finally set by United States Census Director Durand, according to an announcement from the census bureau today. This will be comforting assurance to the several hundred thousand persons who are believed to be contemplating application for the places.

It was emphatically stated at the bureau that the test will be an eminently reasonable and practical one, similar to that applied to applicants at the twelfth census. It will consist of filling out a sample schedule of population from a description, in narrative form, of typical families; and, in the case of enumerators, whose work will be in the rural districts, they will be called on to fill out an additional sample of schedule, from information furnished by the census bureau.

All persons, whether women or men, who may desire to become census enumerators, must be citizens of the United States; residents of the supervisor's district for which they wish to be appointed; must be not less than 16 nor more than 70 years of age; must be physically able to do the work; must be trustworthy, honest and of good habits; must have at least an ordinary education; and must be able to write plainly and with reasonable rapidity.

Those who can comply with these requirements are invited to put in their applications, as there will be at least 68,000 enumerators' places to be filled by the middle of March in preparation for the enumeration beginning April 15.

Application forms with full instructions as to filling in, and complete information concerning the test and the method of appointment can be secured by writing to the supervisor of census for the supervisor's district in which the applicant lives. All applications, properly filled in, must be filed with the supervisor not later than January 25, as any received after that date cannot be considered.

CURTISS MAY BE DISCIPLINED

New York, Dec. 23.—Cortlandt Field Bishop, president of the Aero Club of America, was today awaiting documents from the Aero Club of California on which will depend the sanctioning of the big Los Angeles meet next month. The action of the board of directors yesterday was to authorize Mr. Bishop to sanction the meet, if in his judgment the rules of the International Aeronautical federation and the Aero Club of America governing such contests are not violated. The directors expressly directed the president not to sanction any event conducted purely as an exhibition by paid aeronauts. While this clause has not been defined clearly, several of the directors said unofficially it probably meant that if Glenn H. Curtiss made a purely exhibition flight at Los Angeles for $10,000, he would be disciplined by the club.

The rule does not affect an exhibition flight by Paulhan, as he does not hold a pilot's license from either the International or American associations.

No licensed pilot will be permitted to take part in any exhibition or competition with an unlicensed pilot.

BIG FORCE NEEDED TO MAN BATTLESHIPS

Washington, Dec. 23.—To man the entire American fleet in time of war would require 3,890 officers and 72,231 men and in time of peace 3,652 officers and 60,592 men, according to Captain N. R. Usher, assistant to the bureau of navigation, in a statement made public today. These figures do not include officers and men at shore stations.

Four new battleships are to be commissioned as well as 15 new large torpedo boat destroyers and seven submarines. It is anticipated that the Ohio, Wisconsin and Missouri will go temporarily out of commission and that the Denver and three others of her class will be replaced by the New Orleans, Cincinnati and Raleigh, which are practically of the same class. Replying to a suggestion that the navy will put into commission vessels that will require 5,000 bluejackets and do away with those that require only 3,800 men, Captain Usher says:

"The number required is to keep the fleet in its present strength of 16 battleships and not to diminish immediately the force employed on the Pacific coast, which consists of eight armored cruisers with crews practically the same or a little larger than the battleships. The vessels put in reserve are required to have one-fourth of the regular crews."

SERENE WEATHER.

Queenstown, Dec. 23.—Reports of very severe weather at sea are brought by incoming steamers. The French liner Chicago, from New York, for Havre, put in here today to replenish her coal and water supply. Her captain reports experiencing a heavy gale.

CONSTABLE DIES.

Waco, Texas, Dec. 23.—Constable Edgar Williams, who was shot by Louis Mills, a negro at Roseland Monday night, when trying to arrest the latter, is dead. Mills was lynched.

TO SEEK OVERTHROW OF MINISTRY

Athens, Greece, Dec. 23.—The Military league, whose members were the authors of the recent revolutionary movement in Greece, has announced its intention to overthrow the ministry of its own country.

In a manifesto issued today the league declares it is responsible to the country and, recognizing that the representatives of the nation do not conform to the will of the people, it is obliged immediately to confide the nation's interests "to strong hands, which will not fail as long as life animates them."

The cabinet will resign probably today or tomorrow and be replaced by an extra parliamentary ministry, which it is expected will have the support of the chamber.

GOES TO BELLEVUE INSTEAD OF BERLIN

Man With a Claim Against Kaiser Smashes Consul's Window and Gets Into Trouble.

New York, Dec. 23.—John A. Demper came here from New Orleans in the hope of reaching Berlin easily so as to present a claim for $100,000 to the kaiser for business losses sustained during the Boer war.

Believing that the German consulate in a downtown office building was German territory Demper went there this afternoon and smashed several large plate glass windows, hoping that he would be sent to Berlin for trial. Instead he was sent to Bellevue hospital for an examination as to his mental condition.

LARGEST PER CAPITA.

Spokane, Dec. 23.—Bankers claim that the deposits in Spokane are larger per capita than in any other city of the 100,000 class on the continent, if not in the world. Responding to the call of the comptroller of currency, they report total deposits of $29,323,175.66 to which should be added $2,500,000 in the Bank of Montreal, a non-reporting bank, or more than $320 for every man, woman and child in the city, at the close of business on November 16. This is a gain of $816,956 over the deposits reported on September 8, 1909. The banks have $12,327,186.13 in cash on hand and in banks, $18,815,169.29 in loans and discounts, and $1,793,635.29 in surplus and undivided profits. The report of the comptroller of currency does not include the deposits in the Bank of Montreal, which is a foreign corporation controlled by British capital.

Looking One's Best.

It's a woman's delight to look her best but pimples, skin eruptions, sores and boils rob life of joy. Listen! Bucklen's Arnica Salve cures them; makes the skin soft and velvety. It glorifies the face. Cures pimples, sore eyes, cold sores, cracked lips, chapped hands. Try it. Infallible for piles. 25c at Missoula Drug Co.

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Mince Meat

Mince pie is as indelibly associated with the Christmas season as the evergreen and turkey. This Heinz brand is the good, old-fashioned kind, filled with raisins, apples, currants and cider, with a suspicion of brandy and spices. Per pound 20c

Fruits

Cranberries, bananas, apples, oranges, lemons, grape fruit, Spanish grapes, tangerines.

Olives

Bulk or in bottles; plain or pimento, celery or olive stuffed; small, medium or large bottles.

Vegetables

Hot-house lettuce, California celery, sweet potatoes, and all the "old vegetables." Fresh tomatoes, radishes, young onions and cucumbers.

Fruit Cake

If you failed to make your fruit cake for the holidays we can fix you out in pound cartons, made by the National Biscuit Co., which is a surety it will please. Each 30c

Seasonings

Gopher kitchen seasoning is a perfectly proportioned blend of savory herbs and spices ready for use, and will greatly improve the flavor of that turkey. Per tin 15c

Plum Pudding

The regular English plum pudding, all prepared, except the heating. The highest quality of ingredients used. Individual, medium and large sizes. Per tin 20c, 35c, 65c

Candy

As usual, we have a very large and elaborate line of Christmas candies. Our fancy box sweets are extremely dainty this year and the prices decidedly moderate.

Our bulk "Virginia C" chocolates are new, fresh rich, and in quality unsurpassed.

Of course, we have the regular Christmas candies for the children and Santa Claus festivities.

We would like you to test our assertions on candy.

Blanchard Butter

You know what an important part butter plays in a meal—it makes or mars the swellest dishes. You can depend upon our Blanchard Butter as being the best at all times. Per pound 45c

Meadow Gold Butter, 2 lbs. 85c
Beechwood Butter, 2 lbs. 75c

We receive regular consignments of
Brookfield Sausages
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Smaller Things

Don't forget the smaller things, will you? Such as horseradish, pepper sauce, catsup, tabasco sauce, capers, India relish, extracts, Roquefort, Edam or Imperial cheese, gelatine, etc.

Quality Talks

You get the quality in the different high grade goods we carry. The best eatables cost so little more than the cheap stuff that the price difference is never thought of when the good quality is taken into consideration.

Cold Feet
CAUSE RHEUMATISM
Get Heavy Soled Shoes
MEN'S, WOMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S
$1.50 Up to $6.00 Pair
THE HARKER SHOE STORE

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MISSOULA, MONTANA
Modern and Central—125 Rooms—Newly Equipped—European Plan
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Telephone and Long Distance Connection in Each Room
Every Room Light—Elevator Service
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ONE GOOD
Second Hand Bicycle
Cheap if Taken at Once
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Two Rousing Specials in Gift Goods for the Last Day of the Big Sale

Neckwear at Less Than Half

The very latest and highest-grade four-in-hands in the most desirable patterns and color combinations. Regular price $2.00 and $1.50—

TODAY 95c

Made from beautiful imported silks; good assortment to select from.

Silk Handkerchiefs Greatly Underpriced

About 10 dozen beautiful silk handkerchiefs, in plain white, white with colored border, and fancy colors. Nifty goods and desirable qualities. Regular price 75c and $1—

TODAY 45c

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Candy Candy Candy

Candy canes, dishes, ribbon, fancy mixed for Christmas. Small and large. Pure sugar.

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