

KINDERGARTNERS MAKING TOYS FOR MERRY CHRISTMAS

Children Will Be Made Happy by the Work of Pupils in Public Schools.

Thanksgiving Day now a pleasant memory, pupils of the public kindergartens began today to prepare for Christmas.

Miss Anna W. Williams, supervisor of kindergartens, and her assistant, Miss Virginia B. Jacobs, declare that if their plans are fully executed few children in this city will be without some toy on the most important day in the calendar of childhood.

Daily instructions in costless toy-making will be a part of the curriculum between now and Christmas. A series of mothers' meetings has also been arranged, at which Miss Williams and Miss Jacobs will tell the parents how they can assist in bringing about an inexpensive Christmas for their offspring.

The older boys in the manual training shops will devote a large part of their time to the manufacture of doll houses from soap boxes. They will perform the more difficult tasks, while kindergartens pupils do the easier work.

Miss Jacobs has evolved a scheme by which Christmas boxes and pinnafoles can be converted into dolls' furniture. She is showing the little ones today how to crochet miniature rugs.

Make-believe animals that will provide as much entertainment as those that are to be bought in the high-class toy stores will be made from cardboard, and already several hundred great boxes have been fashioned into charming little Noah's arks.

In several schools tinfoil is being used as a substitute for metal in the manufacture of playthings.

"It's surprising," said Miss Jacobs, "what wonderful toys can be fashioned out of materials that cost practically nothing. Any old piece of wood or cardboard, that has been lying about the house for want of room in the waste basket has possibilities of play in it. The average kindergartener child is sufficiently dextrous to make toys."

"We teachers have been forced each year to witness the greatest of all tragedies in juvenile life—the empty Christmas stocking. But we have decided that there is a remedy for this condition. We have learned that it is not at all necessary to have money to make Christmas a reality to unfortunate youngsters. By education in the art of toymaking, and it is an art which children will naturally comprehend, we can make every boy and girl in Philadelphia his or her own Santa Claus."

EXPERTS IN GAS MAKING TO LEAVE FOR CONVENTION

More Than 100 Philadelphians Start for Minneapolis Tomorrow.

More than 100 Philadelphians, experts in the manufacture of gas, will leave this city tomorrow night for Minneapolis, where they will attend the National Commercial Gas Association Convention.

The convention will cover a period of six days, beginning on November 30 and closing on December 5. The delegates are expected to attend, and many of the railroads have arranged special trains to accommodate the delegates. Those from Philadelphia will leave on a "special" from Broad Street Station at 7:30 o'clock, while others will board the train at Harrisburg, Pittsburgh and other points.

In speaking of the convention, C. Willing Hare, former president of the association and manager of the new business department of the United Gas Improvement Company, of Philadelphia, said:

"We of the gas industry do not feel that the times are out of joint. Nor do we feel that business is being kept away where we cannot get at it. The convention will be made a central point for constructive discussion. No one will be heard to say that now is the time to retreat."

"The whole thought will be how to go forward, how to stimulate confidence in business conditions, how to make every one who comes in contact with our industry feel that this is the greatest opportunity American business has ever had."

Among other United Gas Improvement men who are going from Philadelphia are: Walton Clark, president; R. C. Lewis, vice president; R. C. James, general auditor; Joseph B. Myers, commercial agent; Thomas H. Elcock, Jr., manager of the advertising department.

A. P. Post, of the American Gas Company, Philadelphia, will make an address on "Accounting"; J. D. Shattuck, general manager in Chester for the Philadelphia Suburban Gas and Electric Company, will report for the Committee on Accounting; Clarence V. Roberts, president of the Roberts & Mander Stove Company, will report for the Manufacturers' Committee; W. G. Griffith, of Griffin & Co.; F. L. Lisman, advertising department of the United Gas Improvement Company, will report for the Committee on Publicity.

L. R. Dutton, manager in Wycombe for the Philadelphia Suburban Gas and Electric Company; R. P. Brown, who will speak on pyrometry; Lawrence C. Heise, Philadelphia, window decorator for the United Gas Improvement Company, will have charge of special window displays during the exhibition, and Edwin C. Bartlett, treasurer of Bartlett & Co., Inc., who will discuss the new water heater phase, will attend the convention.

FLYING PHEASANT FELLED BY WHIZZING GOLF BALL

Caldwell, N. J., Has Novel Thanksgiving Sport.

CALDWELL, N. J., Nov. 27.—Albino pheasants killed by a golfer and pheasants that fought like banian roosters were the news features of Caldwell's Thanksgiving.

Walter G. Brandley, a lawyer, was the first to score. He was playing golf at Monmouth when, driving off from the first tee, he struck a pheasant in full flight. After obtaining the necessary affidavit he decided to have the bird stuffed. Harold Kent, of Orange, came to bat next. He killed an albino pheasant, declared to be the first ever seen in this vicinity, at Northfield. It was white, with the exception of two tall feathers, which were dark brown. He, too, will have his bird stuffed.

Allen Kanouse, of West Caldwell, followed a good thing up. He brought in two pheasants, which he said he found busily engaged in fighting that they did not notice his approach, and he got them with one shot. He will have his birds broiled.

Woman Hysterical After Collision

Becoming hysterical when the car on which she was riding collided with a coal wagon on 5th street near Spruce this morning, Becky Cohen, 23 years old, of Locust street, was sent home in the police patrol. Several of the car windows were broken.

LIGHTED HIS PIPE AND FOUND KEY OF WIRELESS WONDER

Dr. D. Galen McCaa, of Lancaster, Tells How He Discovered Secret of Telephone Transmitter.



DR. D. GALEN MCCA A Lighting his pipe gave him the idea for his wireless telephone transmitter.

LANCASTER, Pa., Nov. 27.—The lighting of his pipe at a gas jet gave Dr. D. Galen McCaa, of this city, the key to his wonderful invention of the wireless telephone transmitter, which several months ago had a satisfactory test in New York harbor.

At that time the newspapers were filled with accounts of an experiment successfully carried out by means of which the human voice, uttered in a building in the heart of Manhattan, was carried to listening ears on a ship several miles off shore, and a conversation was maintained through the agency of the device which this Lancaster physician since has been developing. He is now at work along lines which promise to establish his invention as one of the most remarkable additions to scientific achievement that has followed the original discovery of the powers of radio-activity.

Just how he hit upon his invention, which has caused a profound stir in the scientific world, was described a few days ago by Dr. McCaa, who is a Young Men, in an address before the Young Business Mens Club of this city at the Chamber of Commerce.

"LIGHTING OF PIPE GIVES KEY. "One night several years ago when in the laboratory," he said, "desiring to light my pipe I went to the gas light and pulling the electric lighter I was somewhat surprised when I heard a click on the other side of the room. Investigating closer I soon discovered that a spark gap had been created with a coherer receiver on the other side of the room with which I had been experimenting."

"This aroused the doctor's curiosity and led him to a series of experiments, with the result that he was soon able, without the use of wires, to transmit sound, but not words or speech. Eager to discover the reason for this, he was led to the study of sound, and learned from that branch of physics that a continuous wave vibration was necessary to carry spoken language. Thus, he finally conceived the idea of the invention of his transmitter, which has been successfully demonstrated practically and applicable to the wireless telegraph system without interference with the regular service carried on over the telegraph instruments."

"MAY TALK TO GERMANY. While the present distance at which the human voice may be heard is 150 miles, Doctor McCaa said it would be possible to talk to Germany if the receiving antenna were raised to a larger height than at present and a current be kept constant between the two points.

"The use of the wireless telephone in congested districts would be an impossibility, said Doctor McCaa, but it would be a great benefit to inaccessible places along seacoasts, in lumber camps and plantations. It also would be of great benefit to small seagoing vessels who are now without the use of wireless telegraphy due to the large cost of carrying an operator."

"The same instrument that is used in radio telephony is used in radio telephony through the genius of Doctor McCaa. The system and the nature of his transmitter are jealously guarded as a secret by its inventor. Recently work was begun on a station several miles out of town, where the inventor hopes to be able to carry on his work with greater facility and with even more satisfactory results."

DR. BRATHENAH DECLINES Unable to Assume Post of City Mission Superintendent

The Rev. Dr. G. C. F. Brathenah, of Washington, D. C., who was elected superintendent of the Episcopal City Mission some weeks ago, to succeed the Rev. Dr. Herman L. Deuring, has declined the invitation, and it will now be necessary to choose another man to head the work.

At the primary synod of the Third Province, Pittsburgh, last week, Doctor Brathenah was chosen provincial secretary, and, since this position will occupy the secretary's time, it was suggested by high churchmen before the synod that, since there was every probability that Doctor Brathenah would be chosen, it was hardly likely that he would come to Philadelphia.

The Rev. H. Cresson McHenry, who has been assistant superintendent of the City Mission for about 22 years, will continue in charge of the work until some man is elected and accepts the position of superintendent.

BUCKET BRIGADE FAILS AT FIRE Three Buildings Ablaze at 86th and Grover Avenue Are Destroyed

A bucket brigade composed of men attending Thanksgiving parties was unable to check a fire which burned three houses at 86th street and Grover avenue last night. The fire started in the house of J. MacCleskey and soon spread to the house of Michael Kelly.

Another building owned by Kelly, occupied by a negro family, was burned almost to the ground. A bucket, dropped from a roof, fell on Kelly's head and knocked him unconscious. John Fierella was burned about the hands while fighting the fire.

Stetson Mission Carnival Children in the neighborhood of the John B. Stetson factory will be the guests of the Stetson Mission Sunday school, on December 1, at the Mother Goose Carnival and Juvenile Toyshop.

Mrs. James Littlefield, of the Mission Sunday school, is directing the preparations for the carnival. Three hundred and fifty children will be in costume in one of the dances.

RALLY DINNER FOR FUND Workers in the Providence General Hospital Campaign for \$2,000 Will Give

Workers in the Providence General Hospital campaign for \$2,000 will give a rally dinner this evening in the Germantown Cricket Club and will report on the amount collected to date. The \$2,000 mark was passed last week, and the managers hope to raise the full amount in a short time.

TWO RICH YOUTHS KILLED WHEN AUTO HITS TREE IN DARK

Allan Mittag and Adolph Barkerding Hurlled From Car Going at High Speed Near Hackensack.

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—Allan C. Mittag, 19 years old, son of former Freeholder Frank O. Mittag, a wealthy carbon manufacturer of Park Ridge, N. J., and Theodore Barkerding, 18, a son of Adolph H. Barkerding, of the same town, were killed in an automobile accident yesterday.

They were riding at 1 o'clock in the morning with lights out in an auto which ran with great force into a tree at Spring Valley road and Spring Valley avenue, about two miles from Hackensack.

Mittag was instantly killed, the top of his head being crushed in. Barkerding died in the Hackensack Hospital from a fracture of the skull.

The auto's owner and driver, Vernon Stark, 29 years, a son of H. S. Stark, superintendent of the Mittag factory, suffered a fracture of one thigh and probable internal injuries. He was taken to Doctor White's sanitarium in Newark. The auto was bought for him by his mother recently.

The young men had attended a theatre in Paterson, judging from a program and seat checks in Mittag's pocket. They had supper before starting for home. They took the Market street road to Rochelle Park and then cut across to Spring Valley road in order to skip the main road from Hackensack to Oradell, which is being repaired.

The utter wreck of the auto and the condition of the tree indicate that the machine was traveling at high speed. In the hospital Vernon Stark said that just as the auto neared the bend in the road his lights suddenly went out and in the darkness he failed to take the curve. The tree is about 50 feet beyond the bend. In the smash the engine was forced back to the middle of the car, and it is remarkable that Stark was not crushed to death.

Mittag and Barkerding were hurled and first against a tree. They were found by persons on the way home from a dance. Stark said he had tried to cry for help, but his intense pain so weakened him that his voice was faint.

Doctors Hallet and Conrad, of Hackensack, were summoned and the injured young men were hurried in an auto ambulance to the hospital. Mrs. Barkerding rolled about outside home tonight. She was not told of her boy's death.

DOCTOR CONWELL DINED ON 32D ANNIVERSARY

Grace Temple Pastor and University Head Entertained at Testimonial.

More than 400 members and friends of the congregation of Grace Baptist Temple joined in a testimonial dinner to the Rev. Dr. Russell H. Conwell, pastor of the church and president of the Temple University, on the occasion of his 32d anniversary at their pastor last night. The banquet was a beautiful tribute to the worthy educator and clergyman, who has built up around him in Philadelphia one of the greatest institutions of learning for the overseas young man and woman that is to be found anywhere in the world.

The work of preparing the dinner was practically a task of members of the congregation. Young men, wearing white coats, did the serving. During the course of the repast, Doctor Conwell was presented with a bouquet of 32 magnificent chrysanthemums. At its close he delivered his famous lecture "The Silver Crown," before an audience that packed the great auditorium of the Temple.

MUST BE ARDENT LOVER TO BE IDEAL HUSBAND

Detroit Women Tell Pastor Their Views of Married Life.

DETROIT, Nov. 27.—Happiness in married life depends first of all on the ability of the husband to maintain as ardent a wooing after marriage as during the courtship. This is the opinion of 100 Detroit wives, expressed in letters to the Rev. Howard A. Field, pastor of the Simpson M. E. Church. The letters were requested by Mr. Field and the pastor based a sermon, "The Ideal Husband," on them. All agreed that the ideal husband must be an ideal lover. Other necessary qualities of an ideal husband in the opinion of their importance were fixed as follows:

He must be a lover of home. He must be industrious, to the extent of being willing to roll up his sleeves and help tidy the house. He must be morally pure; there can be no double standard of purity. He must treat his wife as his equal, not as a servant. He must be temperate.

ACCUSED CASHIER PRIES TO DIE

Swallows Bichloride of Mercury When Theft Is Discovered.

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—Jacob D. Rubin, 42 years old, is a prisoner in the Harlem Hospital after having swallowed 30 grains of bichloride of mercury. He is charged with grand larceny, which covers alleged thefts that may total \$500 from the Knit Goods Exchange, Inc., of 46 Broome street, of which he was the cashier and bookkeeper.

Until an accountant was employed a few days ago to audit his books Ignatz Rottenberg, secretary-treasurer of the exchange, had never doubted Rubin's honesty. Wednesday morning, however, apparent irregularities were found that aroused his suspicions. Rubin was asked about the items, became agitated, complained of illness, and stepping into a back room, swallowed what he said were headache powders. A moment later he fell to the floor unconscious.

THREW RADIUM INTO STOVE

Man Doctor Recovers \$1500 Worth Mixed With Ashes.

RENO, Nov. 27.—Ten milligrams of radium bromide, valued at \$1500, were recovered from a kitchen stove by Dr. Raymond H. St. Clair, and he now faces the problem of sifting the radium from the ashes. The substance, contained in a capsule, was mislaid after an operation, and was cast into the stove with gauze bandages.

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Wanamaker's advertisement for Santa Claus and children's toys. Includes text: 'Tomorrow in Philadelphia—at Wanamaker's', 'HO! HO! HO! HO!', 'Now Comes Old Santa Claus, and the Children Can Meet Him Face to Face in the Toy Store Tomorrow', 'Great big, fat, jolly, red-cheeked, old Santa Claus, with his sides just shaking with fun all the time and his pockets full of good things, whiskers full of snow and bells jingling all over him—there never was such another fellow like him.', 'Bring in all the children and let them see him. Lots of room! An acre and half to this Toy Store.', 'There will be more fun than there ever was before. Two big scenic shows going full speed—all the machinery at work. Lots of extra salespeople to keep nobody waiting, and', 'For a Surprise—"WOTSAT"—the New Christmas Playfellow for All the Children in the World.', '"Wotsat" (what's that?), you know, comes next after "Alice in Wonderland," that everybody knows all about already.', '"Wotsat" is the Spirit of Curiosity—the spirit of asking questions which should be aroused in every child.', '"Wotsat" is here; a gayly living question mark, always finding out things.', 'And the things that "Wotsat" has been finding out are all told about in the brand-new book that is named for him and has his picture on the back of it.', 'Children can have the books (grown-ups, too, who remember "Alice in Wonderland" and would like to know what she has been doing since).', 'And with "Wotsat" come two other Sprites of Delight. They are "Pranko" and "Strumm."', 'Bring in the children to play with them, and to join the "Wotsat" club if they like, and get the "Wotsat" magazine sent to them every month without a cent of pay.', 'Santa Claus, "Wotsat," "Strumm" and "Pranko" will all be on the Third and Fourth Floors. The Toy Store starts on the Third, but there is just as much more to see on the Fourth Floor.', 'Third and Fourth Floors, Market', 'And Children: The Greek Hall "Party" comes at half-past two again tomorrow. And the three little gay sprites, "Wotsat," "Pranko" and "Strumm," will be there, too.', 'JOHN WANAMAKER'