

# RICHES TO BE SPENT FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS

### DIAMONDS AND AUTOMOBILES AMONG THE PRESENTS.

Minneapolis Dealers Report Unprecedented Call for Valuables That Cost Thousands—Grand Pianos Noticeable Among the Gifts—Heavy Pieces of Furniture Will Be Received by Many Persons.

Santa Claus would be bankrupt if he tried to buy everybody present. In those some Minneapolis people old and young, will find waiting for them on Christmas morning. There will be presents that no stocking, however large, would hold, and there will be others that would easily slip into the baby's little stocking, whose value in gold would crowd it to overflowing.

Every day Minneapolis is to receive a bountiful supply of everyday sort of presents, but there are to be many presents whose cost would supply a happy Christmas for hundreds and sometimes thousands of persons. The merchants who carry high-priced stocks of every sort, say that never before has Minneapolis opened its heart so wide as it is this year. Expensive gifts of every sort are being prepared. The jewelers head the list, but there are automobiles for some and baby cradles, and expensive oriental rugs, and other things in infinite variety to suit all the dispositions and tastes of those who are to receive them.

Diamonds in all styles are offered by the jewelers, and many wonderful creations of diamonds and precious metals will delight their new owners on Christmas morning. One young lady is to receive a longnette chain with diamond settings. There are fifty-two of them for somebody will have paid \$1,700 for it.

The diamond set pieces, tiaras and ornaments of every description will also make holes in several bank accounts. There is a brisk call for them from successful husbands, and they cost money. Beginning with modest ones that cost a few hundreds they run up into the thousands, the purchaser making the limit some single piece has been ordered that will cost nearly \$10,000, to say nothing of those that will cost only two, three or even five thousand.

Then there are the other precious trinkets that will eat up the money. Bracelets and combs, rings and pins. A few come inside the \$100 mark but from that they soar to the thousands. Even little gold pendants are popular, but the smallest cost \$75 and from that figure they run to \$500. Pearls and emeralds and rubies are all receiving their share of attention and are called for in settings and arrangements that make them run up into the hundreds and thousands.

Minneapolis has the automobile craze and Santa Claus will have some to deliver next week. Dealers who have not been able to secure machines already promised, are not on a par with the real thing in popularity. Those who are to receive auto are all from Missouri and will want to see them Christmas morning. A half dozen are in the garages, safely tucked away under cover and ready for delivery.

Grand pianos have felt the boom and several musical daughters and young matrons will find just what they wanted Christmas morning. The new types of baby grand have solved the room problem and so they have been converted into Christmas gifts.

In useful gifts for the home there will be some surprises on Christmas. One jeweler has sold five expensive large hall clocks of the colonial type. They cost several hundred dollars each, but last a lifetime. Other jewelers say they have sold a number of these big timekeepers as Christmas gifts.

Art, statuary and expensive lamps have been bought, and the prices run up almost as high as the diamond limit. Furniture dealers say some mighty fine exclusive pieces of heavy furniture will be delivered Christmas morning. Many have been made to order, and are very expensive. Oriental rugs, costing as high as \$3,500, have been bought, and hundreds of smaller ones with less expensive prices, but which are yet costly, are marked hold for Christmas. Generally tradesmen report that there has been more of the best demanded and that there will be more expensive gifts in Minneapolis than ever before.

# The Crack Drill Team of Weavre Temple In Regalia for Rathbone Sisters' Rites



THIS SHOWS THIS EFFICIENT DEGREE TEAM IN THE REGALIA WORN FOR INITIATION CEREMONIES.

## CHRISTMAS RUSH ON AT THE POSTOFFICE

### MAILS ALREADY HEAVY WITH LETTERS AND PACKAGES.

Thirty Extra Clerks, Forty Extra Carriers and Half a Dozen Extra Wagons Will Be Put on Tomorrow—University and High School Boys Find Places Closed to Them This Year.

Christmas is already making its approach felt at the postoffice. The mails—both outgoing and incoming—are heavy with holiday letters and gifts, and the rush will steadily increase in volume up to Christmas Day.

Tomorrow is the date set for increasing the postoffice force. Thirty extra clerks, forty extra carriers and six to seven extra wagons constitute the reinforcements which the postoffice authorities consider necessary for this crisis. The university and high school boys formerly employed as extra help thru the holiday season have found their places closed to them this year.

The postoffice department has issued orders that only men from the civil service list of eligibles shall be employed as extra help. Heretofore the local office has been able to employ anyone available and the boys who were seeking vacation employment naturally came in for positions. Fortunately a civil service examination was held here early in November and enough eligibles were found to make a good bunch of reserves.

In addition to increasing the working staff the authorities have been obliged to look about for more storage space. In the present congested condition of the federal building the balcony surrounding the court on the second floor is the only available space, and it has already been cleared of the desks and lockers usually placed there and made ready to hold the overflow from the sorting and storing rooms. So far the actual increase in the amount of matter handled has been noticeable chiefly in the out-going mail. This is due to the great number of catalogs sent out by the houses doing a mail order business.

The registry department is the only place where an actual count of the number of parcels is kept. Here the holiday rush is already apparent, particularly in parcels directed to European points. For the first twelve working days of this month the increase over the amount handled during the same period for last year was 26 per cent, while the increase for the five preceding months was only 21 per cent. Before Christmas the percentage of increase will be at least 30 per cent.

Last year the total number of pieces of registered mail was 35,000. When the fact that only a small proportion of the parcels sent out are registered, is taken into consideration, the immense volume of mail matter which will pass thru the postoffice in the next nine days is apparent.

## Some Christmas Don'ts of Value To Those Who Mail Their Gifts

Don't forget that very many of the drug stores in the residential districts of the city are postal stations, where stamps and money orders are sold, mail is weighed, letters and packages are registered and postal information given.

Don't do up a parcel with such poor wrapping paper or in such a flimsy manner that the wrapper may be easily torn and separated from the contents. Don't fail to put your own name and address, preceded by the word "from," on the upper left-hand corner of every piece of mail.

Don't fail to give the full address—street and number (or box), town, city, county and state of destination.

Don't mail a parcel without previously weighing it to ascertain the amount of postage required.

Don't place handkerchiefs, neckties, or other articles of merchandise in packages of printed matter unless you prefer to pay the higher rate of postage on the whole.

Don't seal or wrap parcels in such a manner that their contents may not be easily examined, unless you desire to pay letter rates of postage.

Don't use one and two cent stamps for postage on heavy packages. Use the larger denominations. It saves you trouble in affixing them and saves time and work in the postoffice.

Don't mail packages on the street letter boxes, or they may never reach the postoffice. Package boxes are provided at convenient places.

Don't use tags or labels exclusively for addresses, as they are liable to become separated from the packages.

Don't seal up packages containing photographs, pictures, Christmas cards, New Year's cards, and mark them "photo only," "books," or "printed matter," as the sealing will subject them to letter rates of postage.

Don't hesitate to write any form of presentation or "Merry Christmas," "Happy New Year," or any writing of that kind—with an impersonal character—with your name. It is especially provided for in the postal regulations.

Don't fail to register valuable letters and packages. The government insures their safe delivery and the extra cost is but eight cents.

Don't mail sealed packages of merchandise to Canada and Mexico. The

rates to those countries for such matter are the same as in the United States, viz., one cent per ounce when unsealed.

Don't mail parcels of merchandise to foreign countries without making special inquiry concerning the regulations governing foreign addressed mail matter.

Don't mail jewelry and coins to foreign countries. They are positively prohibited from the mails.

### ALUMNI ELECT

Graduates of Hamline Medical College Choose Officers for the Year.

At an enthusiastic meeting of the alumni physicians and surgeons of the medical department of Hamline university, held Friday evening at the college building, the following officers were elected: President, Dr. C. W. Malchov; vice president, Dr. G. A. Kohler; secretary, Dr. H. H. Helk; treasurer, Dr. Elizabeth Woodworth; historian, Dr. Florence Baler; executive committee, Dr. C. J. Veins, Dr. C. J. Lind, Dr. J. A. Monahan.

The next meeting of the alumni will be held Friday, Feb. 10, when a social and business meeting will take place on that date and a large attendance is expected.

### SINGS SCOTTISH SONGS

Miss Jessie MacLachlan and Her Company Coming Next Month.

The Jessie MacLachlan Concert company is the attraction that Clan Gordon (No. 98, O. S. G.) will present at the Auditorium as their annual Robert Burns Anniversary entertainment about the middle of January. This will be Miss MacLachlan's first appearance in America after a very successful summer tour of Australia and New Zealand and the engagement was only secured by strong effort of Clan Gordon.

Miss MacLachlan is the only exponent of Scotch and Irish songs before the public today, and has been received with enthusiasm wherever she has appeared. Her appearance will be one of the season's musical events at the Auditorium and is being looked forward to by all lovers of old ballad singing.

Edward Bergland, 563 1/2 Decatur street, St. Paul, sustained a fractured wrist and severe injuries of the back and side in a twelve-foot fall down an elevator shaft in a building at 241 South Robert street last night. He will recover.

### JOHN WILL CELEBRATE

Christmas Will Be Observed in Chinatown in American Style.

Christmas will be observed in Chinatown. John is imitative if nothing else and if his white neighbors are going to feast and give presents on Dec. 25 he will do as they do. Christmas is not, however, a very important festival with the Chinese element of Minneapolis and all the heavy artillery will be kept in reserve for "Gung He San Nip," New Year's Day.

Jan. 25 will mark the opening of the thirty-second year of the reign of the illustrious Kweng Sul, emperor of China, and will be celebrated with all the sacred rites laid down in the nine tables and the seventeen books. While the date is too far distant to justify any very definite plans there is already talk of some concerted action on the part of the strong Chinese colony and some sort of a public demonstration is not improbable.

### How Tourists Travel—Winter Routes to California.

Seventy-five per cent of the travel to California goes tourist and the people of the northwest go in that fashion. While the mode of travel is important, the attractions en route are to be considered as much as comfort, ease and expense.

All of these features are combined in the service which the Chicago Great Western has maintained for several years from the Twin Cities to California. It runs four through tourist cars weekly along different routes, all of which offer an excellent variety. Leaving Monday, Minneapolis at 7:40 a.m. and St. Paul at 8:10 a.m., via Omaha and the Missouri Pacific railway, connects on made with the Santa Fe train, which leaves Kansas City at 11 a.m. Tuesday. Colorado is reached at night, in the shape of a plateau 4,000 feet above sea level. The altitude gets higher until the traveler approaches the junction of the great plains and the foothills of the Rockies.

As he crosses Colorado, New Mexico and Arizona, he sees the most beautiful scenery in the world. Albuquerque is reached at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday. Along the same attractive route from Kansas City the Chicago Great Western runs another tourist car, which leaves Thursday, Minneapolis at 10:20 and St. Paul at 10:50 a.m., via Des Moines, arriving at Los Angeles Monday at 8:25 a.m.

Leaving Wednesday, Minneapolis at 10:45 a.m. and St. Paul at 11:30 p.m., the Chicago Great Western runs a tourist car, which connects with the Rock Island at 11 p.m., Thursday, at Kansas City, the Southern Pacific at El Paso 8 a.m., Saturday, arriving at Los Angeles at 12:55 p.m., Sunday. The highest point along this route is several hundred feet lower than the highest point on any of the other lines across the continent. Every mile along this line is a mile from winter. From El Paso the traveler enjoys mountain scenery on both sides, and for hundreds of miles he witnesses a beautiful panorama.

Another Popular Route. But if scenic beauty is one of the main considerations, the tourist car which the Chicago Great Western runs every Tuesday, leaving Minneapolis at 8 p.m. and St. Paul at 8:30 p.m., is the one to be selected. This car makes connections at Omaha with the Rock Island at 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, arriving at Denver at 8 a.m., Thursday. Colorado Springs is reached at 7:50 a.m., Thursday, where the car is attached to the D. & G. train. This is the scenic line, and all the way from Colorado Springs to Salt Lake City the traveler enjoys a pleasing variety of mountains, valleys and canyons. Omaha is reached at 12:50 p.m., Saturday, and San Francisco at 4:25 p.m.

On all of the routes mentioned Pullman Tourist Sleepers of improved pattern are used all the way through. These cars differ from the standard sleeping cars only so far as the upholstery and trimmings are concerned. The same amount of comfort and ease are to be obtained at approximately one-half the rate for berths.

If you are contemplating a trip to California or the Southwest, R. H. Heard, General Agent Chicago Great Western railway, corner Third and Nicollet, Minneapolis, will be pleased to give you accurate information in regard to rates, reservation of berths, etc. A copy of Guide to Guide Books containing a comprehensive list of railway literature will be sent on request.

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**WOMEN'S MUFLERS.**

Crepe de Chine muflers, 2 yards long, in all colors; value \$3.50. For, each. **\$2.50**

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**LADES' HOSIERY** in fine lisle thread, embroidered, 3 pairs in a box, at. **\$1.39**

**LEATHER HAND BAGS**, plain black or colors, worth \$1.25. **98c**

**TAFFETA SILK WAISTS**, black, white or colors, also lace waists, worth to \$10. **\$4.98**

**LADES' AND MISSES' LONG COATS**, in plain and mixtures worth from \$19.50 to \$30.00. **\$12.00**

**200 TAILOR MADE SUITS**, in the long or short coat effects, worth \$35 to \$50. **\$19.50**

**SILK PETTICOATS** in black or colors at **\$15.10**. **\$5**

**TRIMMED HATS** for ladies, worth to \$7.50, at. **\$2.75**

**25 EVENING COATS**, no two alike, white and colors, worth to \$100. **\$35.00**



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### CHRISTMAS HELPS FOR FRIENDS OF THE POOR

In the throng of Minneapolitans who are anxious to bring Christmas happiness to their worthy but unfortunate brothers, there are many who wish to do this work individually so they may themselves see the direct results. For these people, different local societies have prepared help and stand ready to give information that will enable givers to aid worthy ones, whom they otherwise might not find. Here are the agencies thru which Christmas givers may direct their work:

Associated Charities—A list of 1,500 worthy poor families, averaging four in a family. Any number of these names, with information about them, will be given to any applicant, and the names checked off the general list.

Humane Society—A long list of worthy families. Most of these have been reduced to poverty thru cruelty or intemperance. Any applicant will be given as many of these names as the cases he can handle.

Union Mission—Names of homeless men to whom a little personal attention would mean more than money.

Sunshine Society—Has a list of 150 families and 200 children, all worthy. Six families from various parts of the state have asked the society for Christmas. Names can be obtained at the state headquarters, 64 Loan & Trust building.

Volunteers of America—Lists of needy families.

Salvation Army—The army workers have many Christmas plans for which they are seeking aid, but they have names of worthy poor families which they will turn over to applicants who will give personal attention to them.

With the exception of the Salvation Army, the organizations are all co-operating thru the Associated Charities, and their lists are all checked so that no duplications will occur.

### CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

DIAMONDS, WATCHES AND JEWELRY

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FOR REMODELING, REPAIRING AND RE DYEING, one month at summer prices. D. Morris Fur Co., 79 10th st. S. Main 3434.

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