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OBITUARY.

John George Greenawalt, principal examiner of pensions, who died suddenly Saturday while at his office, will be buried tomorrow afternoon in Arlington. Funeral services will be held at the residence, 1507 Irving street northwest, at 2 o'clock. Mr. Greenawalt was a lieutenant in the Union army during the civil war and served with distinction.

Funeral services for Capt. Samuel S. Burdett will be held at All Souls' Church, Fourteenth and I streets northwest, this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, Rev. U. G. B. Pierce, officiating. It will be under directions of the Grand Army of the Republic and members of the Loyal Legion.

James E. Fitch, business man, philanthropist, civic worker, who died at Haverford, Pa., last Wednesday, will be buried in Oak Hill Cemetery this afternoon, funeral services will be held at 2:30 o'clock at the Church of the Covenant. Honorary pall bearers will be Charles J. Bell, Henry B. F. MacFarland, Charles L. Wolcott, Admiral John C. Watson, Gen. John M. Wilson, Theodore W. Noyes, George W. Brown, Judge Stanton J. Peele, John W. Foster, Frederick L. Moore, David Jayne Hill and William J. Flather.

GIVE CHRISTMAS PLAY.

Children of St. Patrick's Stage Tableaux and Operetta.

Pupils of St. Patrick's Academy and Sunday school staged an entertainment for children in Carroll Hall yesterday afternoon under direction of Sister Veronica and Miss Katharine Tachey.

Tableaux depicting various scenes of the First Holy Night were followed by a Santa Claus operetta replete with solos and choruses and conveying Christmas lessons.

Among those in the cast were Misses Beatrice Cosgrove, Alice McDonald, and Louise Young and Frank Jones, Norman French, Edward Mitchell, Luke Fegan, Joseph Buckley, and Harold Ginsta.

Among the children who took principal parts were Margaret Degnan, Mary Hudson, Dorothy Clipper, Marie Elliott, Helen Slattery, Louisa Kirsch, Dorothy Dick, Marie Allen, Edna Cipolari, James Hanneny, John O'Brien, Roget and Antoine DuPoissiere.

Thomas Kernan acted as Santa Claus. In the tableaux Walter Mitchell, Edward Haley, Bernard Clements, George Dixon, and Eugene Collins appeared as shepherds.

Banks Can Make Presents.

The Federal Reserve Board has considered a question raised by several banks as to whether they would be permitted to make Christmas presents to employes out of the funds of the bank as has been the practice of many of them. If kept within reasonable limits these gifts will be tolerated as "compensation."

Kent Gets Books for Soldiers.

Representative William Kent, of California, is collecting modern books in the French language for shipment to England for distribution among the Belgian and French soldiers. Mr. Kent is making the collection at the request of a friend in England, and is receiving donations of books at his office, rooms 502 House Office Building, and his home, 1925 F street northwest.

Baby of Future is Considered

Much thought has been given in late years to the subject of maternity. In the cities there are maternity hospitals equipped with modern methods. But most women prefer their own homes and in the towns and villages must prefer them. And since this is true we know from the great many splendid letters written on the subject that our "Mother's Friend" is a great help to expectant mothers. They write of the wonderful relief, how it seemed to allow the muscles to expand without undue strain and what a splendid influence it was on the nervous system. Such helps as "Mother's Friend" and the broader knowledge of them should have a helpful influence upon babies of the future.

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LOCAL CHRISTMAS SALES ARE LARGE

Despite Business Depression and Eight-hour Law, Trade Is Fairly Brisk.

EARLY SHOPPING HELPS

R. P. Andrews Says Sales Even Are Bigger Than Last Year—Stores Fully Stocked with Gifts.

Despite the general depression of business throughout the country, Washington merchants on the whole report fair Christmas sales. For the first time in the history of local trade, none of the larger stores will be open in the evenings, in view of the eight-hour law for women, affecting about 12,000 or 15,000 clerks.

Embarrassment from this law, however, has been overcome partially by the "shop early" campaign conducted by the Retail Merchants' Association, and with but three days left before Christmas the association still is advising purchasers to buy early in the morning and afternoon hours.

Andrews' Sales Larger.

In speaking of Christmas trade, R. P. Andrews, president of the merchants' association, said: "Our sales already are larger than in December, 1913, due to the shop early campaign conducted by the Retail Merchants' Association. Personally, I feel the shop early campaign has been more beneficial this year than in the past, and whether from the effect of a larger circulation, owing to the war news, or from other causes, I do not know. But certainly we have felt the pulling power of our advertising more this year than in the past.

"While I cannot speak for the rank and file of the merchants of our association, generally, I can say for ourselves that our business up to the present time not only is as good as in 1913, but is better."

Secretary Columbus, of the Retail Merchants' Association, said: "We had one week of bad weather, which interfered severely with people getting out, but during last week business has been very good. The public seemed to start in Saturday to make their larger purchases, and the big stores enjoyed a fine day's business, although possibly some people were detained at home by the inclement weather.

Stores Well Stocked.

"Probably never before in the history of Washington have stores been so well stocked with holiday goods. The fact that the war came on in August induced many merchants to place orders in America for goods they previously had ordered abroad, fearing that on account of the war those goods would not arrive. Much to the surprise of the merchants, these goods have come to Washington, and so, therefore, an unusual stock to select from is to be had.

"The fact that President Wilson declined to grant the half-holiday asked for in order to relieve the conditions brought about by the eight-hour law for female employes has been a keen disappointment to the merchants of Washington. The public generally is urged to do its shopping in the morning hours, and especially before 4:30 o'clock in the afternoon, in order to relieve crowded conditions."

STILL NEED $3,321 FOR CHARITY FUND

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a statement of the amount of money already contributed and the amount still needed:

A blind mother—made such by accident—and a father whose eyesight is rapidly failing, daily face the problem of how to shelter, feed, and clothe their six children, all of school age. The children are quite normal, and are learning to be eyes for their parents and their ultimate support. The plan for this next year is to have the father learn a trade which he can follow when he is entirely blind.

Who will help bring Christmas cheer into this family by contributing to the $10 per week required to keep the home intact while the father goes to a trade school for the blind?

Contributed, $135.70.....Needed, $383.30

Last Christmas this widow was a happy wife, with all her loved ones about her. Her husband had just bought a piece of land, on which he was planning to build with his own hands a house that would be their very own. Sickness came, then death. Now the wife is struggling alone to make a home for her eight little ones. The man's former employers are sharing the burden by giving a small monthly pension to the devoted mother. This, with what little the hard-working relatives can contribute, furnishes the sole support of this family. If the income can be supplemented to the amount of $4 per week, or $208 per year, with careful management, the family can be kept together. Is not this a worthwhile Christmas gift?

Contributed, $87.....Needed, $121

Fourteen years old and facing the world, this lad is working, determined to wrest from it the support of his mother, brother, and sister. The mother, refined and well-educated, formerly did clerical work. She is now nearly blind, and not strong or well. Despite this, however, she earns from $2 to $3 by day work and by laundry. This brave woman should be enabled to keep her home for her youthful wage-earner and the younger children and to enjoy some rest herself and the chance to build up. To encourage our hero and enable him to keep his family, $5 per week is needed.

Contributed, $271.....No more needed

Three years ago the society found this hard-working and industrious colored man rapidly growing blind and utterly discouraged as he faced the prospect of parting with his four motherless little ones and spending the remainder of his life in the almshouse. A plan was formed. Relatives contributed all they could and kind-hearted people did the rest. A friendly visitor helped train the eldest girl, and she has become a model housekeeper. Now the second girl is fifteen, and the sister who so pluckily is taking the mother's place says: "I'm help me to keep Martha in school one more year. She wants so much to keep on at the Vocational School until she has learned to be a fitting dressmaker. She just loves sewing. I hate to take her out of school and put her to work at a mangle." Who will help keep Martha at school a year as a Christmas gift?

Contributed, $14.....Needed, $90

Alone, fighting against invalidism and poverty, this widow has for many years been doing her full duty in the training of three fatherless children, who are fast developing wholesome ideas of support for themselves and their mother. The ambition of the oldest lad is to become a farmer, and his sister wants to be a teacher. Brought up on modern outdoor and fresh-air theories, the children are gradually overcoming their early physical handicaps. Several who have helped this family in the last year and who have received from time to time confidential reports relating to the family's happiness and well being have already signified their desire to continue their co-operation. Ten dollars per week, or $520 for the round year, is needed for this constructive home and health building.

Contributed, $318.....Needed, $202

"How do you do, my dear," is the cheery greeting to all comers of a dear old grandmother who has undertaken to bring up her two orphaned grandchildren. Disbursing sunshine and good-will, after the fashion of Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch, this faithful old soul refuses to be anything but kindly and hopeful in the midst of adversity. The grandchildren have caught her spirit of industry. The little girl is mothering her dollies or busily sewing for them, while her little brother is busy with his tools or living with the heroes of yesterday, in whom he takes great delight. How this good soul can make the $5 per week which is asked for her go so far, no one can tell.

Contributed, $46.....Needed, $214

Without relatives to help her, but with her chores doing what it can, a thrifty German widow, handicapped by poor eyesight, is bringing up in model fashion five bright, American-born, future citizens, the oldest thirteen years. Reports from the children's school show how well they are doing at their studies. The oldest boy already cherishes an ambition to become a physician in the mission field or a minister. The family is highly respected in its own neighborhood. Five dollars per week, or $260 for the year, is asked for a Christmas present for this family.

Contributed, $49.....Needed, $211

Forsaken by her husband and forced by broken health to give up the work by which she supported her two children, this mother refuses to surrender. Search is being made for the husband to compel him to do his part, but it is doubtful if he can be found. Meantime, the family has been moved to smaller quarters, and the woman is doing sewing as she is able at home. Her church and two relatives, out of their meager store, are doing what they can to help the mother keep her children, but $5 per week is needed, in addition to other possible income, or $260 for the year, if this family is to have Christmas cheer all the year round.

Contributed, $41.....Needed, $219

The guiding spirit of this family is bravely facing the hard situation of separation from her incurably ill husband, who is receiving hospital care. She is working hard to make a good home for her four little children, the eldest eleven and the youngest six months. Unaided, she will fall in health and purpose; for this mother is an arrested case of tuberculosis, and should not be allowed to struggle alone to make ends meet. Eight dollars per week is needed to keep these children at home and happy with their mother.

Contributed, $65.50.....Needed, $402.50

Whether to keep at work, long hours from her children while they were running wild or to stay at home and be their real protector, was the problem facing the little woman whom we will call Mrs. Smith. The father's record as a home-breaker—he is serving a long sentence in the penitentiary—showed the need of saving the children from repeating the father's mistakes. Without relatives who can help, the mother must depend upon outside assistance. She is earning what she can with her needle at home. Nine dollars per week is needed for the family, consisting of the old grandmother, going blind; the mother, and three small children.

Contributed, $38.....Needed, $430

Holiday contributions a year ago furnished a Christmas gift to this deserted wife and her four little children. This gift has been bringing into this family its message of peace and good will throughout 1914. Not only did it help to bring to this wronged woman and her little children food, shelter, and clothing, but it also brought improved living conditions, new friends, and happiness. "I never had such a beautiful home before or such good friends," said this mother. She has grown to be an excellent housekeeper, and is making a splendid home for her children. All efforts to locate the deserting husband so far have failed. Shall we continue to give this mother an opportunity to keep her little ones together in her own home for another year? We earnestly ask for your continued interest and co-operation in extending this Christmas opportunity. Seven dollars per week is needed.

Contributed, $32.....Needed, $332

We all practice neutrality when it comes to charity at home. This time it is a clever little French woman, the sole support of four children, whose father lies seriously ill in the hospital. The wife visits him as often as possible. The oldest girl has just started to take a business course, hoping to be able in another year's time to take her father's place as wage-earner. The younger children are all attending school regularly, even to the six-year-old girl, who has just entered kindergarden. Who will help to furnish $5 per week, or $260 a year, so that this home may be kept together for another year, when the oldest girl can begin to earn?

Contributed, $16.....Needed, $244

One year ago this little widow, with four children, felt that her load was more than she could bear, and rather than have her children suffer she was ready to place them in institutions. The Associated Charities finally persuaded her to accept help in keeping the family together. The family is living in better rooms, and the mother has fresh courage and ambition. She is learning to do plain sewing, and is able to make a little income herself. Besides this, her relatives are giving all they can from their little store. Their combined efforts, however, are not sufficient to keep the home together. Six dollars per week will bring continued Christmas cheer.

Contributed, $21.....Needed, $291

Before the birth of her youngest child, three years ago, this good woman was deserted by one who should have been her protector. Feeling that the only course open to her was separation from her children, she placed two of them temporarily in institutions. Through the efforts of society, money was raised to supplement what the relatives and her church could do, and now the cozy home is a happy one. The unusually bright children show the effect of a mother's care and training. All efforts have failed to locate the man. In addition to what the relatives and church can do, $5 per week, or $260 per year, will mean 365 days of Christmas cheer for this family.

Contributed, $67.....Needed, $193

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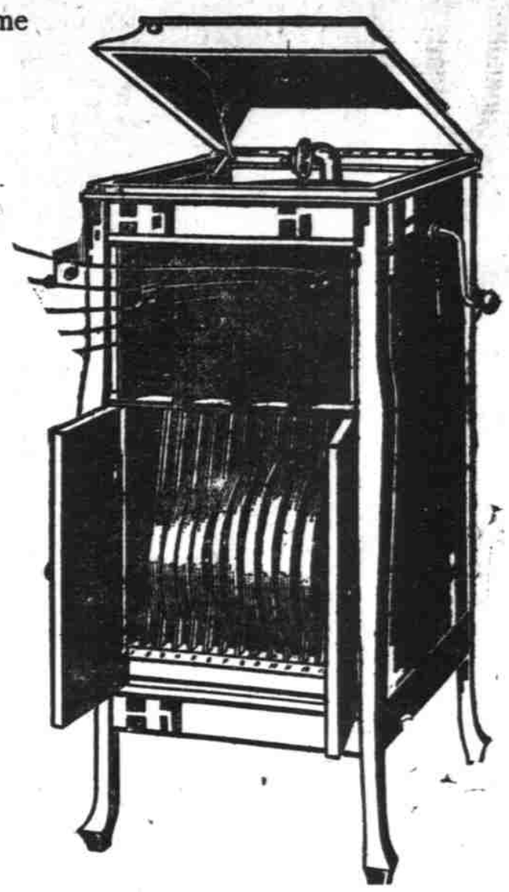

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TWO PIGS BATHED BY 26 REFORMATORY GIRLS

Superintendent Admits that They Even Receive Shower Baths.

New York, Dec. 20.—When the State Board of Charities' inquiry into the New York State Reformatory for Women at Bedford Hills was resumed Miss Mary R. Moore, superintendent of the institution, admitted that twenty-six girls devote their time to caring for two pigs instead of to some industrial endeavor that will be of use to them upon their discharge. The pigs have been made such pets that they have learned to take shower baths. They are also used for the entertainment of visitors.

WANTS TO END NEGROS' VOTE.

Vardaman Also Plans "Jim Crow" Cars for District.

An effort to rid the Constitution of the United States of the fifteenth amendment will be made within the next few days by Senator James K. Vardaman, of Mississippi. For twenty years Mr. Vardaman has been working to this end. He also will propose modifications in the fourteenth amendment.

He also intends to introduce a bill providing for "Jim Crow" cars in the District of Columbia.

Since early manhood Senator Vardaman has been active in protesting against the right of citizens of the United States to vote, regardless of race, color, or previous condition of servitude. In his propaganda for the disfranchisement of the negro he has lectured in nearly every part of the United States. He has written extensively on the race question, and now expects to carry his fight to the floor of the Senate.

WILL GIVE "HAYSEED PARTY."

Sophomore Co-eds of George Washington to Be Hostesses.

George Washington University announces the following schedule of student activities:

Today—12:15 p. m., Christmas chapel services, arts and sciences building; 8 p. m., "Hayseed Party," given by sophomore girls to other co-eds, assembly hall.

Tomorrow—8 p. m., Men's Glee Club meets in assembly hall.

December 30—8 p. m., premier concert of Girls' Glee Club, assembly hall.

January 5—8 p. m., Men's Glee Club meets, assembly hall.

January 6—8 p. m., Interfraternity Association meets at Kappa Sigma House.

January 8—8 p. m., Basket-ball team plays Washington and Lee quint at Lexington, Va.

In 1913 Argentina imported goods valued at $406,600,000.