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Christmas Greeting

Of all the radiant days of the year there are none whose light has ever shone so far as the light of Christmas. For nearly two thousand years it has shone with a light that could not be quenched, and it shines today serene and fair and steadfast, even though it may be dimmed by lingering clouds of man-made conflict. Other days we have that are dear to the heart, but Christmas is a little dearer than all other days to the heart of grown-up men and women, and infinitely dearer to the hearts of children. The light of Christmas shines for them all the year round. They hark back to the Christmas that is past and they are always looking forward to the light of the Christmas that is to come. Christmas is the day of days to all humanity, but it belongs essentially to children.

Christmas typifies all that is best in mankind. It is the culmination of the human mind throughout the ages dwelling upon the wonders and mysteries of existence, turning to a reverence for God and His representative on earth. It expresses the realization of men of their duty to one another; and so it is marked by the bestowal of gifts and other sentiments of benevolence and well wishing.

The makers of newspapers, concerned as they are with the doings, manifestations and thoughts of their respective communities, and recording them in their more important aspects for the information of readers, are brought into an intimate sense of the spirit and meaning of Christmas. Thus, in the true spirit of the occasion and with due appreciation of all it implies, the Medina Sentinel extends Christmas greetings to its readers. Our Yuletide thoughts go out to the people of this community, and our thanks are due the patrons and kind friends who have given us practical support or extended encouragement during the year. Particularly do we extend greeting to our splendid and loyal corps of correspondents. May this be the best Christmas you have ever spent, is our wish to all.

Convicted of passing a two dollar bank note raised to ten dollars a foreigner was recently sentenced by a Philadelphia judge to serve ten years in the federal penitentiary at Atlanta, Ga. In the same court and on the same day two other men of American birth were convicted of embezzling more than \$10,000 in government funds and were each sentenced to a year and a day in the same prison at Atlanta. It is these curious twists of justice which excites a misunderstanding in the minds of otherwise good foreign-American subjects, and at the same time places the courts of the country in ill repute with every right-thinking American.

CHRISTMAS
DANCE
WEYMOUTH
MONDAY EVE.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS
and
A HAPPY and PROSPEROUS
NEW YEAR
TO ALL
Sargent & Wertz
Furniture Dealers & Funeral Directors

DEBT LIMIT ACT
EFFECTIVE JAN. 1

Griswold Law, Passed Recently
By Legislature, Soon
Operative

TIGHT RESTRICTIONS
ON TAXING DISTRICTS

School Districts May Not Exceed
Three Per Cent.
of the Total Tax
Duplicate

Ironclad limitations will be placed upon the borrowing capacity of the 4,832 taxing districts of the state Jan. 1, when the Griswold debt limitation act becomes effective on that date, bringing about a new era in Ohio public finance, the result of which is expected to develop a foundation for a strong financial system.

The Griswold act, which was drafted last year by the Ohio Institute for Public Efficiency at the request of the conference on taxation has five fundamental requirements. These are:

- 1-To prevent borrowing for current expenses or deficiencies.
- 2-To restrict the maturity of loans so that bonds cannot be issued for a longer period than the probable life of the assets required.
- 3-To protect sinking funds.
- 4-To strengthen the limitations on maximum net indebtedness.
- 5-To establish the serial form of bonds.

Borrowing to pay current operating expenses or deficiencies is prohibited except in anticipation of the collection of revenue or special assessments; to defray the expenses of an extraordinary epidemic; to meet the deficiencies created through enjoined taxes, or to pay judgments of non-contractual obligations.

The exceptions granted will not interfere with the general principle, those who drafted the act say.

Any asset, the life of which is less than five years, is considered a current expense. Maturity limits are established for various general classes of assets that may fall within the bounds permitted by the act.

Assets not specifically listed are to be given an estimated life by the fiscal officer of the taxing district.

Sinking funds have been given protection to forestall the possibility of taxing districts failing to meet bonded obligations when due. Fiscal officers are to be required to make a preferred levy annually for the retirement of bonds, without further action of the taxing authorities.

Strengthening the limitations on maximum net indebtedness is accomplished through supplements to existing statutes which maintain the present limitations of 2-1/2 per cent. on legislative authority with an additional amount upon referendum in municipalities and townships.

School districts may not exceed 3 per cent. of the total tax duplicate.

Bonds issued prior to Jan. 1, 1913, may be refunded but the indebtedness represented by the issue proposed for refunding cannot be increased. The interest rates may be reduced or increased, as the prevailing market conditions require, but the rate cannot exceed 6 per cent.

The serial form of bond, which will be required by the act, provides for the retirement of debt through installment maturities in lieu of a sinking fund.

Equal installments or annuity serial issues are permitted. Certain proportions of these bonds, however, become due annually, beginning not later than one year from date of issue.

Provision was also made to permit taxing districts, upon consent of 60 per cent. of those voting at a general election, to lift all limitations for a period ending Sept. 15, 1923, through the enactments of the Taft bill.

This would give the districts an opportunity to go on a pay-as-you-go basis, without becoming embarrassed.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING
Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of members of Ohio Farmers Insurance Company for election of Directors and for such other business as may properly come before said meeting will be held at the offices of said Company, at LeRoy, Ohio, on Wednesday, January 18, 1922.

CHURCHES

Congregational Church
Sunday, Dec. 25—Morning worship at 10; Christmas music and sermon; 11:15 a.m. Sunday school; 6 p. m., special Christian Endeavor meeting—appropriate program which will include special instrumental music and a talk by Everett Kazanall on the topic "My Greatest Day in College;" all young people and friends invited. There will be no evening church service. Friday night, Dec. 23, we celebrate "Giving Christmas" with gifts for Near East Relief. Program by the primary and junior departments of the church school. A welcome to all services is extended. Rev. Wm. J. Drew, minister.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church
Christmas Day—10 o'clock, Morning prayer, Holy Communion and sermon; subject, "Peace on earth among men of good will;" 7:30, evening service and sermon. R. K. Caulk, minister.

Methodist Church
Sunday, Dec. 25—10 a. m., the church and Sunday school will hold a combined service on Christmas morning; there will be special music and a Christmas sermon by pastor, subject, "The Epic of Peace." White Gift offering by the church to be divided among worthy causes; 5 p. m., Junior League; 6, Senior League; 7, Christmas program containing many very attractive features; music by the junior choir and others—a very helpful service; 7 p. m., Thursday evening, devotional service and Bible study and special study by the Epworth League; 7 p. m., Friday, choir rehearsal. A welcome to all. Rev. Wallace H. Bryenton, pastor.

Baptist Church
Sunday, Dec. 25—10, Morning worship, sermon, "Let Us Now Go Unto Bethlehem and See;" 11:15, Bible school; 6 p. m., Juniors and Seniors; 7 p. m., "The Song of the Angels;" Tuesday evening union study class; Thursday evening, praise and prayer. A welcome to all services. Rev. A. Irwin, pastor.

Church of Christ
Sunday, Dec. 25—Morning service at 10; subject, "The Star and the Cradle;" Bible school, 11 a. m.; Junior, 4 p. m.; Christian Endeavor, 6 p. m.; evening service at 7 p. m.; Christmas entertainment Friday evening at 7 p. m. Rev. W. R. Moffett, minister.

FRIDAY XMAS MUSICAL
Following is the Christmas musical program to be given by the Congregational Sunday school on Friday evening of this week, beginning at 6:30 o'clock.

Music by orchestra (selected); Carol "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing," primary department; Exercise, "What I Think Stands for Christmas," girls of Junior department; Exercise, "The Story of the First Christmas," by four girls; Pantomime, "The Story of the First Christmas;" Selections by orchestra.

Lafayette
To you and all the rest of us, A merry, joyful Christmas.

The M. E. Sunday school will give an entertainment Friday evening at the church, the main features of which will be a tree and the usual Xmas treat for the children. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

On Saturday night following, there will be an Xmas tree and program at the northwest U. B. church to which everyone will be welcome. The committee requests further, that all who can, meet at the church Saturday p. m. to help with the decorations.

Still another announcement from the Farm Bureau. There will be a demonstration meeting held at the Jesse Gilbert farm on Friday of this week at 2 p. m. The purpose of the meeting is to demonstrate the parasite or stomach-worm found in sheep.

R. S. Nosker has disposed of his farm on the Medina road to Cleveland party by the name of Mathew Dolantz, who moved his family and his goods on Tuesday of this week. Mr. Nosker and family will move, after Xmas, on his property in Creston, to remain there until he can sell it as the place has already been listed for sale for some time.

Mrs. Ellen Chapman received the sad news of the death of her sister, Mrs. Margaret Waugh of Wellsburg, W. Va., who passed away early Monday morning, a victim of bronchial pneumonia. Mrs. Chapman in company with her two brothers, Sam and J. H. Bachtell, left Tuesday morning to be present at the funeral services of their beloved sister, who had lived until April, would have been 75 years old. Thus a womanly woman of such magnetic charm and personality that it was a rare pleasure to be numbered even among her many acquaintances, has gone to her reward.

Leatha Stackhouse is convalescing from an attack of quinsy.

J. E. Gault spent from Monday until Thursday in Zanesville, judging poultry, and on Friday he attended a convention of county commissioners held at Columbus.

Earl Moore and family, who have been living on the Chas. Maytham farm, have rented the Wm. Kulp farm to which place they will move in the spring.

Mrs. John Fleming entertained the Ladies' Bible class Wednesday afternoon.

Acting on the theory that more daylight increases the egg production, Albert Snyder is testing out an experiment much to his own credit, and to the interest of his Medina road neighbors. At three o'clock every morning Mr. Snyder gets up and turns on the electric lights in the barn where the poultry is housed and, presto changed the hens thinking it is time to get busy

climb down from their perches, scratch around and more than prove the old saying that a laying hen is the best property a farmer can keep. The moral, however, might be, "first install your Delco Light system."

Opal Snyder has been quite sick with a severe sore throat, necessitating her absence from high school several days this week.

Mrs. C. E. Cowling, who has been very sick, underwent an operation at her home Sunday afternoon, since which time she is resting much easier. Miss Whonsetter, the nurse, was called again, and Mrs. Lloyd Betz of Medina is assisting with the household.

The third number of the card series, held at the John B. Reed home proved to be a delightful affair last Friday evening. However, the men with their scientific playing are giving the ladies a merry chase and are now several points ahead. The next game will determine the "champeens."

Mrs. Harry Wideman has been assisting in caring for her father, J. C. Hartman, the past week, his condition at this writing being very low.

Many Xmas gatherings are being planned of special interest to Lafayette people. Among these are included the following: Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Ballash will entertain Anna and Marie Ballash and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Earnest of Cleveland and Ned Alexander and wife, a big 25 pound turkey gobler to be the victim.

Mrs. Sam Bachtell, Paul Bachtell and the French Bahmer family at D. M. Sanford's, Medina.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Reynolds will entertain Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Williams of Kenmore and I. J. Rumbaugh and wife.

Charles Schlecty and family of Medina and Abram Lance at John Lance's.

C. E. Lance and wife will give the dinner to Blake Kulp, wife and daughter Carol, Harry Lance and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Blake Lance, Myrtle and Earl Lance and Mary Boise of Akron.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Lentz and family with Ansel Mann, wife and son Dale will attend a family gathering at Bert Lance's of Chatham.

The Albert Snyder family will eat dinner with Uncle Jake Snyder and wife of Milan, O.

The Eli Reed family will have as their guests, Albert Eglin and wife of Spencer, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Hoard of the pike and Carl Buchanan and wife.

Wayne and Iva Carlton will be the guests of Clayton Carlton and wife of Hamilton's Corners on Sunday and on Monday at the John McElroy family gathering at the old homestead.

Mr. and Mrs. Ned Alexander will be present at a dinner for the Alexander family at the home of Mrs. John Alexander of York on Monday.

Mrs. Merritt Jones and C. M. Jones wife and son Ted will dine at the C. E. Jones home in town.

Percis Pierce of Lakeside is expected home Xmas.

Ed. M. Dickerhoof, wife and daughter will take dinner at the Peter Dickerhoof home in Lodi.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lance and family and the Arthur Lance family will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Mann.

The I. J. Snyder family expect to go to Wooster Saturday evening, to attend a gathering of relatives at the Snyder homestead.

Poe
There will be no preaching or S. S. at the church next Sunday, as so many are observing Xmas on that day. The exercises will be held on Saturday night at the church and on Friday afternoon at the school house. A tree will be at both places and many presents for the children.

Mrs. May Bennett and daughters, Altha and Emma are spending Xmas and several days at S. H. Hoddinott's. The Misses Lily and Pearl Hoddinott spent Tuesday night with their uncle.

Mr. Kenyon has finished excavating for his garage under his house.

Harry Good is giving up his present garage and does not know where he will locate in the future.

Litchfield
Mrs. Will Thorpe was in Cleveland last week Tuesday.

Mrs. Blanche Cornstalk, and the two teachers who live with her, Misses Helen Darling and Trolia Klopfenstein, very pleasantly entertained the teachers last Saturday evening.

Mrs. Vern Bowman was brought to her home last week Friday from Elyria, where she has been in the hospital.

Miss Doris Leach, is at home from Kent school until Jan. 3. Miss Doris cannot go home because her home is under quarantine, so she is staying with some of her friends. It is

BEST WISHES FOR A
A MERRY XMAS
and a
HAPPY PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR
L. F. GARVER & SON, Corner Shoe Store

to have plenty of friends.
Mrs. Laura Warner attended the funeral of her uncle, Millard Warner, in Elyria last week Saturday.

The entertainment and bazaar given by the Domestic Science class of girls was quite well attended. There seems so many different things coming and going all the time one cannot attend all of them.

Miss Helen Eberly spent Sunday with her mother in the home of Mrs. Libbie Besston.

Friends and neighbors helped Miss Annette Crow celebrate her 87th birthday anniversary last week Wednesday. She received many cards and calls during the day which she appreciated very much.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Thorpe left for Florida Monday of this week. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Canfield of Wellington will go with them to Eustis. Mr. Thorpe, who has been in Litchfield taking treatments of Dr. Scudder for the past two months, for a peculiar form of rheumatism is not improved in health as much as his friends wish, but is on the gain now.

The funeral of Earl Knopf was held Wednesday at 10 o'clock at the home of his parents John Knopf and wife. He has been sick with tuberculosis for several months having been home only a few days when he was taken worse and died Monday morning, aged 14 years.

Mr. and Claude Holmes are moving into the rooms recently vacated by Wm. Musser in the Mart Fritz home.

Do not forget the Christmas services in the Congregational church Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. Christmas carols will be sung by the pupils of the public schools. The last part of the program is the exercise, "How the Little Church Kept Christmas".

Articles of clothing, vegetables, and food will be gladly received and sent to the Salvation army at Cleveland. An offering will be taken for the Near East Relief work. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Hinckley
Last Thursday evening the Camp Fire girls surprised Mrs. George Emmett in her new home. Lunch was served and a fine time was reported.

Anson Waldo was in Hinckley last Friday night visiting his son, Clark Waldo.

Pool table for Hinckley. How is that?
There will be a Christmas tree in the church Saturday night.

Miss Celia West and Miss Mildred Johnson entertained about 23 of their friends last Wednesday evening at a luncheon and games. Everyone had a fine time.

The church is being remodeled and services will be held their next Sunday.

A new house is going to be built on D. P. Isham's lot.

Mrs. Melvina Smith and sons Harry and Lincoln visited Sunday in Bath at the home of Mrs. Lotty Miller.

Mrs. Amanda Shook is out again and all are glad to see her.

Mrs. P. C. Waldo has been very sick the past week.

W. B. A. election and installation of officers last Saturday. There will be no more socials for four weeks.

Erhart
Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Joe Fiest lost a valuable horse last Saturday.

John Hury spent the week in Grafton with his brother Albert.

Theo Hairy spent Tuesday in Elyria and Cleveland.

Mrs. B. B. Spieth, son Charles and daughter Marcella were callers in Grafton Saturday.

Burton Armbruster of Elyria spent Sunday with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Armbruster spent Monday with the son and family at Chippewa Lake.

Mrs. Rose Kalb and daughter Mary were in Medina Tuesday.

Mr. Custard of Cleveland spent the week-end with his daughter, Mrs. L. F. Wacker.

Hugh Dowdell was a caller in Medina Tuesday.

Miss Amy Porter spent the week-end in Elyria with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Meyers were in Elyria Tuesday.

Mrs. George Gross was a caller at Elyria Tuesday.

Mrs. John Neff spent Monday evening in Lorain with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. George Maxworthy and son and Mrs. Joe Fiest and son spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bauer.

Mrs. Julia Dowdell of Cleveland spent the week-end with her daughter, Mrs. Anna Spieth.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION
Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a resolution of the Board of Education of Homer Township Rural School District, Medina County, Ohio, passed on the 23d day of November, 1921, there will be submitted to the qualified electors of said school district at a special election to be held on the 20th day of December, 1921, the question of issuance and sale of bonds of said school district in the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) for the purpose of erecting an addition to the present school building in said district, equipping and furnishing said addition and for making necessary changes and improvements in said present school building. Said election to be held in the usual voting places in the said district.

The Board of Education of Homer Township Rural School District.
By L. E. Gorham, Clerk 172

Merry
Christmas
One and All
We still have a fine selection of Xmas
Gift Goods. Many at reduced prices
A Merry Christmas one and all. May you enjoy every happiness in the glad season. May your health remain supreme. May we in turn have the benefit of serving your drug store requirements that your further pleasure may be assured. We again wish you a very merry Christmas and a happy, prosperous, healthy New Year
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"YOU KNOW WHERE"