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Happy Christmas Buyers

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

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Dr. Rulley Married. Sunday's Parkersburg News contained the following announcement: The marriage of Miss Pearl Webster, of Meigs county, O., and Dr. C. J. Rulley, of Clarksbury, was solemnized on Saturday evening at 8 o'clock by the Rev. W. D. VanVoorhis, pastor of the First Christian church, at the parsonage on Twenty-first street.

Brilliant Card Party. One of the most brilliant Yuletide card parties, of twenty-one tables was given from 3:00 to 5:00 o'clock Monday afternoon by Mrs. M. A. Nussbaum at the Masonic Temple in honor of her daughters, Misses Mabel and Lucille, who were home from eastern schools for the holidays.

Delta Kappa Ball. One of the most elaborate and brilliant social affairs of the Yuletide season will be the ball to be given Monday evening by the Delta Kappa Club in the auditorium of the Masonic temple. Quite a number of out-of-town guests will be in attendance, also the many college girls and boys home for the holiday season.

To Give Dance. Tuesday evening Mr. and Mrs. John L. Ruhl will entertain at a dance in the auditorium of the Masonic temple in honor of their daughters, Misses Rebecca and Mary Ruhl. The guest list will include the college girls and boys, home for the holidays.

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and the younger married set.

To Entertain. Mrs. George P. Leatherbury will be hostess of the Five Table Card Club from 3 to 5 o'clock Thursday afternoon at her home on West-Pike street.

To be Hostess. Complimentary to Misses Rebecca and Mary Ruhl, Mrs. Edward Webber will entertain from 3 to 5 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at cards in her home on Oak street.

Meeting Postponed. The Mothers' Club meeting, which was to have been held Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. F. Williams, of Hornon avenue, has been postponed until further notice.

To Entertain Thursday. Complimentary to Miss Geraldine Wallis and Miss Julia Davis, who are home from school for the holidays, Mrs. Edward S. Wallis will entertain at 4 o'clock Thursday afternoon at her home on West Pike street.

Miss Davis to Entertain. Miss Julia Davis will entertain the boys and girls of the younger set from 8 to 11 o'clock Saturday evening in the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John J. Davis, on Lee street.

PERSONAL

The Rev. Daniel Murphy, of Weston, and the Rev. Peter Flynn, of Morgantown, visited at the Catholic church rectory Sunday and left Monday morning for Parkersburg, where they will spend several days visiting.

David P. Harry, of Philadelphia, is spending the week with Elsworth Curtin. He is a fellow student at Swathmore College with Mr. Curtin.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Alexander and little son, William, of Washington, D. C., are guests at the home of Mr. Alexander's sister, Mrs. W. Frank Stout.

S. S. Cochran, manager of the West Virginia plants of the Owens Bottle Machine Company, is here from Fairmont on business of the company.

L. T. Eddy is here from Richmond.

Earl Hugh was here from Fairmont Monday.

Henry Brewster, of Weston, is transacting business here.

W. H. Warner, of Weston, is a city business visitor.

W. A. McGlumphy is here from Mountsville looking after business interests.

H. D. Leach, of Parkersburg, is a city visitor.

A. W. Law is here from Jane Lew. J. D. Dowell, of Glen Easton, is in the city on a business mission.

Edgar F. Bowers, a young man who formerly resided here but who holds a position with the Pond Creek Coal Company at McVeigh, Ky., is here from that place spending the holiday season with his parents, Misses Elizabeth and Lou Gordon, of West Pike street.

Midshipman Julian Wilson and Cadet Francis Gibson, of the naval academy at Annapolis, Md., who spent Christmas with relatives, returned to Annapolis Sunday morning.

Mrs. Martha M. McCarty and daughter, Miss Elizabeth, have returned from Buckhannon, where they spent Christmas with Mrs. McCarty's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Farnsworth.

Mrs. Sprigg D. Camden, of Parkersburg, will arrive Tuesday to be the guest of Mrs. Richard T. Lowndes.

Judge and Mrs. Charles Farrer and daughter and Mrs. Thomas Wetherell, of Parkersburg, are Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip P. Steptoe.

Sidney, Dudley and Ben Britt spent Christmas with relatives at Suffolk, Va.

Rufus Mariner, of Washington, spent Sunday in Clarksbury.

Dennis M. Willis, a member of the university faculty at Morgantown, is a city visitor.

Mrs. Dell Fuller was here Monday from Shinnston.

Mrs. Hilary G. Richardson, of Baltimore, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John J. Davis.

Miss Julia Davis has returned from Philadelphia, where she is a pupil in Bryn Mawr college, and is spending the holidays with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John J. Davis.

Deviled Shrimps. Shell one and one-half pounds fresh cooked shrimps, cut them in small pieces and place in a bowl; add four tablespoons bread crumbs, one-half ounce butter, juice of one-half lemon, one-half teaspoon salt, one-half teaspoon French mustard, one tablespoon Worcestershire sauce, two salt spoons cayenne pepper, two beaten eggs and fill of cream. Mix well and place the whole in a baking dish, sprinkle a little bread crumbs over them, set in oven for fifteen minutes. Remove and serve.

Keep the Bed Warm. Those who sleep with windows open may find the following suggestion helpful in keeping warm and free from drafts: Put four or more layers of newspapers between spring and mattress. This is much more effective than a blanket in keeping out the cold air. At the same time it prevents dust from rising and collecting on the mattress.

CONSTRUCTORS' PLANS

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fleet submarine now building at the Fore River yard, Quincy, Mass., and which will be commissioned in the spring of 1918. In addition, the department is preparing plans for two other even larger underwater craft, probably to displace 1,200 to 1,500 tons, which were authorized this year.

Of the reorganization of the submarine service Admiral Taylor says: Recent Change.

"The recently inaugurated change in the administration of the submarine of the fleet is working very well. The bureau no longer receives general allegations of worthlessness with no helpful suggestions, but is furnished a definite statement as to what troubles have occurred and valuable suggestions for improvement. Progress under such conditions is certain and rapid."

Admiral Taylor mentions the experiments made during the year in search of adequate defense for battleships against submarines and aeroplane attack and adds that "specifications for the ships next to be purchased have been materially improved." Details of changes in construction are regarded as confidential.

The report shows that bureau experiments have resulted in the substitution of cheaper nickel-steel for the usual expensive special treatment metal on the battleship California, just laid down at the New York navy yard. The change will give "the same or greater efficiency," the report adds.

Ships of the California and later classes have been designed with the comfort of the crew in view. They have reading and recreation rooms for the men as well as laundries and

improved culinary and washing arrangements. Various Activities.

The various activities of the bureau are well shown in the report in dealing with the model basin, where hull designs are tested, the wind tunnel, where aeroplane experiments are made and other experimental equipment.

Twenty per cent of the work done last year in the model basin was for private shipbuilders who are learning of the advantage this adjunct of the navy has been to its designers. A device to simulate storm conditions and wave motions is now being installed in the tank.

Of aircraft design the report says: "The development of the aeroplane seems to be in the direction of larger weight capacity and greater speed and in this respect is repeating the history of the development of warships."

The department has designed and begun construction of an aeroplane to carry 2,000 pounds as a means to develop knowledge of this subject among its engineers.

Great Accomplishment. The recovery of the wrecked submarine F-4 at Honolulu is regarded by navy experts as an unequalled accomplishment. The success of the operations was in part due to extensive tests of deep-diving conducted during the year, beginning with experiments in a laboratory tank where pressure was arranged to equal that at depths never before reached by divers. Chief Gunner Stillson, the navy's chief diver, directed the work and the later actual diving at sea which showed what had been accomplished. Still greater achievements are hoped for as a result.

The reports point out the high standard of efficiency made by bureau employees, it being known that no vessel designed by the navy has shown overweight during the last twelve years, a record no private company nor the designers of any other government vessel have equaled. Re-rating of bureau employees is asked in order that some hope of advancement may be given them and an increase in personnel to do away with the overtime they have cheerfully rendered. The case of a contractor at one of the navy yards who has been forced for months to work twelve hours every day including Sundays is cited as showing the short-handed condition of the force while the naval establishment has been steadily increasing.

Former Senator Burton of Ohio is an active candidate for the Republican nomination for president. He has established headquarters at Washington.

Commenting upon these findings the report says: "The more favorable the civic and family surroundings and the better the general conditions of life the more clearly are they reflected in a lessened infant mortality."

The report shows, however, that no deductions can be made about the relation between the general infant mortality rate and industrial employment of women until the facts about the number and proportion of mothers at work contained in the unpublished census returns are made available by tabulation.

This tabulation is especially important to the studies of the children's bureau. Among the subjects of study which the law directs the bureau to undertake are infant mortality, the birth rate, orphanage, and desertion, all requiring information as to family structure. For 1890, 1900 and 1910 this information was secured, but the material has not been tabulated because there has been thus far no public demand for it such as secures, for ex-

HE'S IN FIGHT FOR G. O. P. NOMINATION



Theodore Burton.

ample, the comprehensive information regarding manufactures furnished by the census bureau every five years. The census officials fully realize its value, but neither the census bureau nor the children's bureau has funds to make the tabulation that would render this body of human facts available for use.

Meanwhile the children's bureau is pursuing its inquiry into the relation of babies' deaths to wages and social conditions believing "that the inquiry will prove increasingly valuable as a stimulus to more active protection of the youngest and tenderest lives throughout the nation."

Such practical results have already followed the inquiry in two communities as the securing of infant-welfare nurses, improving the milk supply, and raising community interest in kindred activities.

The bureau also approaches the problem of infant mortality in a constructive fashion through two pamphlets entitled "Parental Care" and "Infant Care," which are sent upon request to individual mothers.

TO PLAY LUMBERPORT. The West Virginia Business College basketball five will play the Lumberport Independents at Lumberport Wednesday night. The following players will make the trip to Lumberport: Agnew, McMillan, Grummitt, Fischer, McAndrew, Killeen, Hawkins and Schutte.

AS A WOMAN SEES IT

By RHETA CHILDE DORR.

THE MOST EXPENSIVE THING IN THE COUNTRY.

George Whalen is one of the most expensive investments the state of New York ever made. In the fifty-two years he has lived he has cost the tax payers of the state about \$20,000. Of useful work or service to the state George Whalen has rendered back an irreducible minimum. And the state has not finished paying for him yet.

Last week a judge in the Court of Special Sessions sent George Whalen to the penitentiary to begin his twenty-sixth year of prison life. Ever since 1876, when he was arrested for the first time, George Whalen has been spending short terms in prison, mainly for burglary. Twenty-five years in all he has spent behind the bars, and he is still a burglar.

If this were the only case of its kind it would attract an enormous amount of attention, and every one would say: "Well, we must never make a mistake of that kind again. It costs too much."

But George Whalen's case is common. It is duplicated in every state in the Union. We spend far more on criminals than we do on public schools. Taxation is caused by crime in the United States has been estimated at about \$200,000,000 a year. Losses caused by crime are estimated at about \$400,000,000 a year. Besides the property destroyed, the private expense entailed, expenses for steel safes, safety deposit vaults, burglar alarms, detectives, locks, bars, bolts," says the congressional authority quoted.

It is a perfectly terrible account nor does it seem at all reasonable to ascribe its existence to leanness and sin. Formerly men thought that disease and death, premature death at least, existed because of people's wickedness. Later they began to find out that disease grew out of poverty and ignorance, filth and neglect. As soon as they made this discovery they began to conquer disease.

Warden Osborne, of Sing Sing, has a theory that moral disease, that is, criminality, grows out of the same causes—poverty, ignorance, filth and neglect. If "the system" can help it, Warden Osborne will never be allowed to prove his theory. Instead, we shall go on for another generation paying that awful bill.

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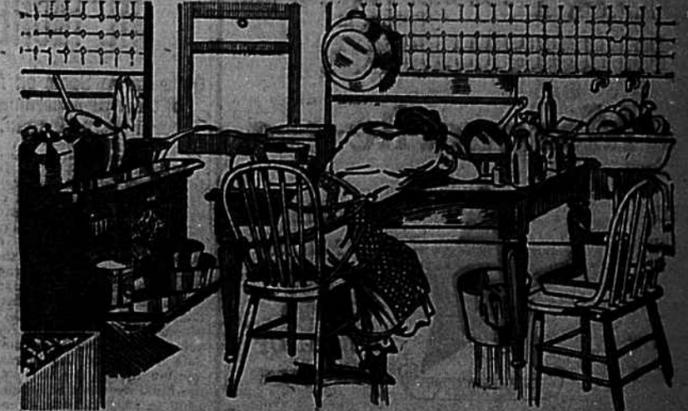
DEATH RATE AMONG BABIES IS VERY HIGH

According to the Children's Bureau of Federal Department of Labor.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—"No one knows how many fathers or how many mothers there are in the United States. No one knows how many mothers are at work for gain outside their homes." The children's bureau of the United States department of labor brings out this fact in its third annual report made public today, and says that it is impossible to determine the relative importance of the high death rate among babies of working mothers until we know how many mothers there are at work in industry.

The children's bureau is conducting a detailed inquiry into the social and economic causes of babies' deaths. The present report shows that the two items of the inquiry completed during the last year reveal an average infant death rate of 134 out of every 1,000 babies in a steel-making and coal-mining town is against a rate of eighty-four out of every 1,000 in a residential suburb. An even greater contrast is found between the most

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