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MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY

NETLA AND EDRO
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MAYO AND VERNON IN HEIR CLASSY COMEDY, SINGING DANCING AND TALKING GREAT LAUGHING ACT IN ONE A BIG TIME FEATURE THE HIT OF THE BILL AT THE KEITH HARRIS THEATRE PITTSBURG

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THE MILLION DOLLAR MYSTERY Every Wednesday.
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MANNINGTON NEWS

BY HARRY JONES,
Special Correspondent.

News items for publication in the Mannington News Page of the West Virginian should be given personally to Mr. Harry Jones, special correspondent, or mailed to him at Box 52, Mannington, W. Va. Advertisements can be sent to Mr. Jones or direct to the West Virginian, at Fairmont, the day before they are to appear.

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SMITH & MILLAN,
NEWS DEALERS.

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around Ypres the situation yesterday was quiet. In order to recapture the position lost by them on December 20 at St. Hubert and Givonchy, the English forces reinforced by French territorialists made desperate attacks during the day yesterday and last night, all of which were repulsed.

"In the region around Richebourg, the enemy succeeded in obtaining a firm foothold in his old position.

"French attacks yesterday in the neighborhood of Albert, to the northeast

of Champagne, at Souvain and at Perchez, were repulsed with eavy losses to the French.

"In the western part of the Argonne we captured a few trenches. In the eastern Argonne, to the north and northwest of Verdun, French attacks were repulsed with heavy losses to the French.

"The situation in east and west Prussia is unchanged. In Poland our troops engaged in fierce battles for possession of trenches of the Bzura and Rawka rivers. In many instances they crossed over tributaries already in their possession.

"On the right bank of the river Pilica the fighting by the German allies continues."

THE MOST DESIRABLE XMAS GIFT

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CHOCOLATES BOX-BONS

C. H. Boneson, train master for the B. and O. was a business visitor here yesterday.

The Mannington United Soccer Football team will meet the strong team from Morgantown at Hough's Park, Christmas Day. A good game is expected as both teams are fighting hard to claim the state championship.

Miss Nellie Parson of East Liver-

GRAND Tonight

and Wednesday
The Aubrey Players
in
The Fatal Wedding

Thursday, Friday, Saturday
Thorns and Orange Blossoms.
Prices—Balcony 10c; Lower Floor 20c.
All Seats Reserved.

THOMAS MOTT OSBORNE.
Wealthy Philanthropist Is New Warden of Sing Sing Prison.

pool is here to spend Christmas with relatives and friends.

C. N. Fear of Fairmont was a business visitor in this city yesterday.

Last night about seven o'clock a foreigner was found seriously hurt, on the B. and O. tracks near Barracksville. The man was attended by Dr. Smith of Barracksville, and he was later taken to the Miner's hospital in Fairmont.

D. S. Jones, of the Jones Specialty Co., was a business visitor in Hundred and Littleton yesterday.

Theo. Johnson, of Cameron, was a visitor here yesterday.

Edward Fryer is home from Penn State University to spend the holidays.

John Hopkins is in Clarksburg on business.

P. Murtaugh was a business visitor here yesterday.

Miss Mary Weekly, of Annabell, is visiting relatives here for a few days.

George Neill and family, of Brookside addition, will spend Christmas in Baltimore.

J. N. Flanagan, of Glover's Gap, signal repairman for the B. & O., was in Mannington yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Watts were suddenly called to Fairmont yesterday on account of the illness of their daughter, Opal. It developed that she had appendicitis and she was operated on at Cook's hospital this morning.

2 Railroads Consolidate

LAKE SHORE AND NEW YORK CENTRAL LINES MERGE AS ONE COMPANY.

By Associated Press.
CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 22.—Consolidation of the Lake Shore Railroad Company with the New York Central Railroad Company was effected today at a meeting of Lake Shore stockholders when they ratified the action taken by the New York Central stockholders on July 20 last. The merger involves \$300,000,000.

Man Cut in Twain Tells Funeral Plan

CINCINNATI, Dec. 22.—Coroner Foertmeyer and his assistants, along with a number of witnesses attending the inquest into the death of Walter Jones, a Pennsylvania railroad brakeman, today sat with fixed eyes on the witness chair, as several witnesses to the accident that caused the life of the dead man, told how he had talked to them even after having been cut in two by four freight cars of the special train that ran him down in this county last Friday night.

That Jones had directed the persons who came to his assistance as to how he should be cared for and what to do with his body was the substance of testimony given by the witnesses. One witness declared that Jones talked for several minutes, during which conversation he gave the address of his parents, who live at Hilton, N. C.

JUSTICE MOVES SWIFTLY.

BEAVER, Pa., Dec. 22.—A record for the hearing of a murder case in this county was established here today when William Archella, aged 20, was placed on trial at 9 o'clock this morning, and in less than 12 hours the case was placed in the hands of the jury and a verdict of voluntary manslaughter returned. Archella shot and killed William Petrinot during a quarrel on October 15 last in Midland. Usually it requires three days to hear a murder case here.

PARADISE IN THE COUNTRY

A Live Town a Desirable Place to Live In.

NOT DEAD, BUT MERELY SICK

Man Made Country Towns; God to Be Thanked For Them—Ten Men Engaged in Rural Life Succeed Where There is but One Succeeds in the City.

[Copyrighted, 1914, by Thomas J. Sullivan.] If you would be known and not know, vegetate in a village. If you would know and not be known, live in the city.

God made the country, and man made the town. What wonder that health and virtue should abound and least be threatened in field and grove!

But, while man made the country towns, God is to be thanked for them. They have been as lamps of life along the pathway of humanity and religion. Within them great men have been born and great minds conceived and developed. Behind their walls freedom has fought her noblest battles. They have stood on the surface of the earth like great breakwaters, rolling back or turning aside the swelling tide of oppression. Country towns have been the cradles of human liberty. They have been the active sentries of almost all church and state reformation.

Towns Not Dead—Only Sick.

We refer, of course, to live, prosperous towns, not places that are dead and ready for the last sad rites. Of course there are many towns which are not dead, only sick. They need a tonic to quicken their pulse; they need general treatment by a community specialist, or, better still, they should consult their pride and their conscience and awaken to a full realization of their position and condition.

The wise farmer is looking for the best market possible for his products. He will naturally find it in a live town where there are live, up to date merchants and business men. These men are not only making good markets for the farmer, but are vitally interested in the welfare of the entire town and surrounding community.

For Universal Good.

They see beyond the results of one day's trade and realize that there is something more in life than mere money making. They are actively interested in bettering community conditions from an educational, social, moral as well as financial standpoint.

Effort in this line is not confined to the town alone, as the magnificent benefits extend beyond the corporation limits. The town is made a community and trade center for farmers as well as townpeople, where there is a lively co-operation which makes for universal good.

It was a beautiful truth which our forefathers symbolized when in the old market towns they erected a market cross, as if to teach both buyers and sellers to rule their actions and sanctify their gains by the remembrance of the cross.

Standard Goods Bear Trade Mark.

The live town furnishes a market for all kinds of farm produce. It also becomes a center of exchange which supplies every human requirement from a needle to a steam thrasher or the luxurious automobile. Modern merchants pride themselves on their ability to serve the buying public. They fill their stores with merchandise of a standard quality which should make and keep customers.

In previous articles we have shown how a good town contributes to higher farm values and how farm prosperity may be directly and greatly influenced by the presence of a good town. This being the case, there is a natural relation between country and townpeople which many perhaps have not thoroughly considered.

Same Goods, Same Price.

A live town with live merchants who are broad minded enough to look beyond present day profits invariably affects land values and the desirability of the countryside as a place to live.

Let it be remembered that standard made goods bearing a registered trademark sell for the same price the world over, and the manufacturer's guarantee of quality stands behind them in the village store as well as in the large city mercantile emporium.

Any manufacturing concern which will permit itself to be tempted into turning out goods which do not bear its name or trademark is a mighty unreliable institution. If its dealings with the mail order house are fair and honest, why does it try to shield itself from public discovery?

Price and Quality.

The lower grade goods and "seconds" never carry the maker's name and are sold almost exclusively by the retail catalogue houses or ten cent stores to consumers who have not an opportunity to inspect the goods or who consider the price rather than quality.

Buying your necessities at home and selling your produce at home is what makes and keeps the home market and contributes largely to the making of the home town and community the sort of place in which one generally desires to live and die.

BELIEVES IN HONOR SYSTEM.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Dr. Sidney Edward Mezes, new president of the College of the City of New York, and former dean of the University of Texas, was enthusiastically received by 2,500 students today at the big college hall. The new president promised that he would be accessible daily



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to all students. He expressed faith in the efficiency of the honor system, and asserted that no "academic aristocracy" would be permitted.

Can Free Thaw Evelyn Says

MUST SEND FOR HER AS HUSBAND SHOULD FOR HIS WIFE

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—"I am terribly sorry that Harry Thaw is to be taken back to Matteawan, but I know a way in which he can gain his freedom and I stand ready to go to him and help him out of his trouble if he will send for his wife when he is in difficulty."

This declaration was made by Mrs. Evelyn Nesbitt Thaw today when informed of the decision against her husband.

"I know a way in which he can obtain his freedom. I have been giving this matter my consideration for some time and I have discovered a way. Once I took the stand and fought for him. I fought Jerome and all the rest of them. The whole world knows how I fought and what is more I fought a winning battle. All the sacrifices that I made at that time I would willingly make over again to help Harry."

THE MERRY CHRISTMAS TIDE

Will confer no greater benefit on the grown-up children than the gift of a good business education. Give them an order on the UNION BUSINESS COLLEGE for a commercial or stenographic course, and you have fitted them for a career in life that nothing can rob them of, when they have been trained in UNION BUSINESS COLLEGE.

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