

Hi Sibley Does His Xmas Hopping Early—In His Mind

BY HI SIBLEY.
Do you see Christmas hopping early? If you don't, you won't find room to hop. Not only will there be a large part of South Bend's feminine population between you and the counter you most desire to reach, but in many cases you won't even be able to get inside the building. An endless stream of package-burdened customers, red faced and panting, is grunting its way through the doors; then there is the inevitable sidewalk convention just outside—a gathering of those leisurely persons who pause a moment (which may mean anywhere from five minutes to an hour) to discuss the idiosyncrasies of a new maid or to kiss a friend's baby. Anyone who enjoys that last well lubricated pastime is entitled to it.

Therefore, forewarned of the hardships of Christmas shopping, it behooves us to wheedle from fate all his spare change and DO IT NOW! I've done mine already—my mental shopping, I mean. That is as far as I ever get, but it's just as much fun.

Tucking away a bulging wallet filled with mental bills of large denomination, and slipping a handful of loose change (also mental) into my jeans, and assuming a radiant, cheery smile (likewise mental) compatible with the occasion, I sauntered forth to do my holiday purchasing. I thrilled at the thought of the many poor souls I should make happy with my mental gifts.

Out of the gloom.
Stepping from the murky gloom of Michigan st. into The Brightest Spot in Town, I was dazzled by the radiance of myriad lights festooned from the ceiling, and cautiously blinked my way toward the interior, when a dainty pink-and-white saleslady, observing my bewilderment, inquired with politely arched eyebrows—"Is there anything I can do for you, Mr.?"

"Yes," I replied gratefully, "you might get me a guide."

She directed me to one. Now a guide was what I thought I wanted at first, but after blushing my way through department after department devoted to the daintiest of silken hose, and glove-fitting corsets, and distracting, filmy, fluffy things which are only mentioned sotto voce behind drawn shades—after tiptoeing gingerly among such things I concluded I wanted a chaperone. That would have been more conventional.

But there were other things of course. I took my guide into my confidence. Said I, "I have nine aunts, four uncles, 42 cousins, a Sunday school class, a janitor and one or two grandchildren. I wish to make them all happy on Christmas. Will you kindly show me around to select my purchases? Money is no object." Which last was literally true.

He did. He was very accommodating. He led me down one street and up another, through all the cross

avenues and on some of the boulevards, pausing here and there to point out a particularly attractive lounging robe, or a Bokhara rug, or a brass bed, or a leather cigar case. I brought them all.

Also a Carpet Sweeper.
Then he showed me a carpet sweeper. I was very much taken with that car—I should say vacuum cleaner. Every time we got to some remote part of the store, I always gravitated back to that carpet sweeper. It didn't have any wires or other restrictions tied to it—you just pushed it around like a lawn mower, only it wasn't such hard work. I bought one for myself. No one is going to have any more fun than I shall on Christmas morning. We have a particularly woolly rug in our dining room, and I'm going to manipulate that carpet sweeper until that rug is entirely bald.

After inspecting various other departments—taking care to avoid the elevators crowded with women who wore ticklish things on their hats, I presently reached the front door and squeezed out into the winter air with a feeling of satisfaction over a job well done.

At Wyman's I had to stop to admire the toy window. No one who has any red blood in his system hasn't a tooth ache or hives or other just cause for haste, can pass that toy window without pausing to take a look. It makes you wish you were back at the romper age.

Stepping inside the store I was struck with the profusion of evergreen and red tissue Christmas bells used in the decoration; stepping inside the elevator I was struck with a Christmas tree coming out. A Christmas tree—that is, certain varieties, resembles a cactus in some respects. However, this was one of the milder kinds and no damage was done, and I reached the toy department without further mishap.

This toy department is a veritable fairyland. Here are toys of every conceivable description, from a railroad bridge which opens up to allow the passage of boats to Bing's walking dogs, which scamper along with a comical gait as though they were in a hurry after a bone, but didn't want the other dogs to know it. Then there were other Bings toys. Bings toys all come from Germany, and are made in the largest toy factory in the world. One of their latest novelties is the Bing construction set, with which any bright boy can build anything from a hen coop to a skyscraper—as well as locomotives, machine shops and traveling cranes. The possibilities are unlimited.

Something New in Dolls.
There were also the Kestner character dolls, with real skin wigs, and expressions ranging from wide-eyed wonder to a genuine old fashioned bawl. Why anyone should want the latter, when there are so many of the real article engaged in

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that pursuit, is beyond me. But they are fetching at that; besides they are noiseless.

In Germany, where they are made, the same families have been employed for generations in their manufacture. One family for years has been employed to make eyes—nothing else; another makes wigs, and another bodies, while still others do the tinting.

So great is the demand for these dolls that directly after the holidays the W. man store orders their stock for the next season, specifying the number of cry-babies, or smile-babies, the blonds, the brunettes, the blue eyed and the brown eyed. Naturally, the blonds are in greatest demand.

It was hard to get away from Wyman's toy department. Every man has more or less of the kid in him. I could spend many delightful afternoons with an electric train, and its equipment of switches, block signals and even electric lights. After watching the ingenious little automobiles, the motor boats and steam engines in operation, all of which I purchased, with some effort I managed to pull away to continue my shopping down the street.

GARLIC FOR TUBERCULOSIS

NEW YORK.—Garlic as a cure for tuberculosis has demonstrated its superiority over 52 other medicines in tests made on 1,000 patients at the Metropolitan hospital here, according to physicians at the institution.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY.

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WANT RICH MAIL ORDER HOUSES TAXED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Petitions bearing the signatures of hundreds of business men of small towns near South Bend, compelling mail order houses to pay a part of the expenses of the county and state will be introduced by Cong. Barnhart who is heartily in sympathy with the movement.

Middlebury, New Carlisle, North Liberty, Rolling Prairie, Bristol and Mishawaka business men are among the signers of the petition. Large mail order houses, especially those of Chicago, do an immense business in these towns and the feeling among business men of the Indiana towns against the freedom of mail order houses to do business in their neighborhood untaxed is almost unanimous.

W. K. Greenbaum of Michigan City is in Washington working in opposition to the LaFollette seaman bill.

TWO MEN FINED.

Two men charged with being drunk were the only prisoners brought before Judge G. A. Farabough Wednesday morning. They were Russell Clark, an "old timer," and Harry Wilson, who was not sufficiently sobered to be brought in Tuesday. Dollar and costs each.

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Get a 25 cent bottle of Knowlton's Danderine from any drug store or toilet counter, and prove that your hair is as pretty and soft as any—that it has been neglected or injured by careless treatment—that's all. —Adv.

WILL TRY NEXT TO STARVE LOPEZ OUT

BINGHAM, Utah, Dec. 10.—Work was completed Wednesday by deputy sheriffs who have been bulkheading every exit of the Utah Apex mine where Ralph Lopez, the Mexican desperado, is hiding. The deputies will leave the mine closed for several days in an effort to starve the bad man. They were convinced that the pumping of poison gases into the underground workings would not kill Lopez, because of the many chambers in which he could avoid the gases.

OPEN BIDS FOR NEW POSTOFFICE BUILDING

Bids have been opened at the treasury department for the construction of the Mishawaka postoffice. The bidders were:
Rogers & Kaiser, Chicago, limestone \$59,440; sandstone, \$61,410.
George W. Stiles Construction company, Chicago, limestone, \$54,812; sandstone, \$60,000.
Thomas Corst, Racine, Wis., limestone, \$56,885; sandstone, \$60,000.
Volley E. Taylor, Huntington, W. Va., limestone, \$55,600; sandstone, \$57,200.
R. S. Moore, Lafayette, limestone, \$55,750; sandstone, \$61,570.

STOMACH TROUBLES DISAPPEAR.

Stomach, liver and kidney troubles, weak nerve, lame back and female ills disappear when Electric Bitters are used. Thousands of women would not be without a bottle in their home. Eliza Pool of Depew, Okla., writes: "Electric Bitters raised me from a bed of sickness and suffering and has done me a world of good. I wish every suffering woman could use this excellent remedy and find out, as I did, just how good it is." As it has helped thousands of others, it surely will do the same for you. Every bottle guaranteed, 50c. and \$1.00. Recommended by All Druggists. —Adv.

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CHICAGO, Dec. 10.—Four fishermen, who had been given up as lost in a gale on Lake Michigan, were reported safe at St. Joseph, Mich., Wednesday. They had been blown 65 miles across the lake in a disabled gasoline launch. For several hours they were buffeted about by high winds on the rough sea. When they were picked up by life savers at St. Joseph all were nearly dead from exposure. The men were Alex. Frank and George Parchlain and F. Glemann. —Adv.

Chicago life savers had beaten up and down the west shore of the lake all Tuesday night and finally returned without hope of finding the three fishermen.
MADISON.—Aaron James of South Bend delivered his annual address at the meeting of the Indiana Grange here. The Grange was welcomed by Mayor Crozier.
LOW FARES TO CANADA GRAND TRUNK RY. SYSTEM. Tickets sold Dec. 20, 21, 22, 23. Return limit Jan. 12. For particulars, call phones, Bell 93, Home 5093. C. A. McNutt, Pass. Agent. —Adv.

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