

EXPRESS COMPANY ADVISES SANTA

Eight Rules Laid Down As First Aid to Holiday Givers.

START YOUR PRESENTS EARLY

Care Necessary in Addressing the Package and in Wrapping.

"First aid to Santa Claus" instructions have been issued by the express companies for the guidance of persons intending to send Christmas presents by express.

If you follow the instructions to the letter, not only will your friends have the presents you send them on Christmas morning, but unless all the rules of mathematics and logic go wrong, you'll get yours also.

"Do it now," is the first principal laid down for the Santas by the carriers.

Resume of Rules.

A resume of the instructions follows:

1. Ship packages early, today if possible. The express company will give you a small label to paste on the package reading "Do not open until Christmas." This will insure the package reaching its destination before Christmas and the additional pleasure to the recipient of the gift of having it Christmas morning.

2. Use wooden boxes for packing. It may cost a few cents more, but the danger of loss or damage is very much reduced. True, if the shipment is lost or damaged, the express company will pay for it, but that will give your friend no pleasure.

3. Write the address in full, county, street and number on the box with ink or crayon. Tags are frequently torn or lost.

4. If you want to prepay the charges, write the word "Paid" in large letters on the package.

5. Insist on a receipt, and see that the amount paid is on the receipt and value of the package declared thereon.

6. Write your own address in full somewhere on the package, following the prefix From—, and inclose a card in the package bearing your own address, that you may be notified in the event of loss of consignee's address.

7. Use strong wrapping paper, not newspaper, if not convenient to ship in boxes, and tie with a strong cord.

8. If package contains anything of a perishable nature, write the word "Perishable" in large plain letters on the box or package, to insure special attention for its delivery.

ST. PIERRE RESIDENTS DEMAND FREE SCHOOLS

Citizens of French Islands Wave American Flag.

PARIS, Dec. 15.—Temps publishes a despatch from St. Pierre, Miquelon, the French islands on the coast of Newfoundland, saying that there has been a big manifestation in St. Pierre in favor of free schools. The movement was created by the Clerical party. The people got out of hand and made their way to the house of the governor, where they raised aloft the American flag. Then they marched to the American consul's office. The consul was not in the office at the time, and the crowd went to the residence of the American official. The consul, however, could not be seen, and the crowd took it out in singing "The Marseillaise" and crying "Vive l'Amérique" and "Vive la Liberté."

The trouble grows out of the old question of Church and State, and an effort that is being made to establish a clerical or free school in St. Pierre. The colonial Government has refused to permit this and today two of the professors, who are strongly supported by the Clerical party here, were taken before court and fined 100 francs each. The demonstration was a protest against this action on the part of the Government. It is understood that the Colonial governor has taken the matter up with the French Government and has promised to let the people of St. Pierre know what can be done.

Old Football Star Here.

Harry Larue, B. S. in C. E., '07, and the Tiger center on the '06 team, attended the inaugural ceremonies last week. He is now employed by the government on the coast and geologic survey and has recently been transferred from Rockland, Me., to Key West, Fla. His wife who formerly was Miss Mabel Moore and a student of the University accompanied him here and they were the guests of Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Howard.

The University Missourian telephone numbers are: department office, 377; news room, 274; business office, 714.

TAFT WILL VISIT PANAMA AGAIN

Plan Has the Approval of President Roosevelt and Root.

HAS KEEN INTEREST IN WORK

Will Leave Charleston, S. C., Probably Last Week in January.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—President-Elect Taft contemplates a visit to Panama before his inauguration. This visit is approved by President Roosevelt and Secretary Root. While it has not been finally determined upon, Mr. Taft has announced that it was his inclination to go. Should this be his final decision he will leave Charleston, S. C., probably the last week in January for a trip which will cover approximately twenty days.

May Stimulate Work.

There are many reasons, in Mr. Taft's view, why his trip to the isthmus would be of decided advantage to the advancement of the canal project. President Roosevelt's visit proved a decided stimulus to the work; the three visits which Mr. Taft has made as secretary of war all were of advantage; there are constantly arising and accumulating many minor tangles of administration and conflict of authority which the presence of the president or the president-elect might make possible of elimination with little difficulty.

Mr. Taft feels that this is practically his only opportunity to visit the isthmus during the forthcoming term as president. He has not only a keen interest in the work, but an intimate knowledge of the details of the situation and with the personnel of those conducting the operations there. The visit would put him in direct personal contact with the situation, and give him a clear idea of the method of procedure being employed in the work.

Only One Objection.

The only objection to the expenditure, which has been pointed out by careful students of the laws and constitution is, that pending the official declaration of Mr. Taft as president-elect by the action of the electoral college and his inauguration as president, there is no constitutional or legal provision for the substitution of any one else in the event of anything happening to him in Panama. This objection is not regarded as of sufficient weight to detain Mr. Taft from a journey which is regarded as essential to the success of one of the big enterprises of his administration.

The news of this trip followed a conference with President Roosevelt and again at the White House at luncheon and later with Secretary Root, with whom Mr. Taft passed most of the afternoon. Further details of the Roosevelt-Root conference were not made known beyond the statement by Mr. Taft that the selection of his cabinet was thoroughly discussed.

LILUOKALANI IS HERE

Seeks Indemnity for Lands Consecrated by United States.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Ex-Queen Liliuokalani of Hawaii, accompanied by Prince and Princess Kalaniana'ole and her secretary, Aimoku, have reached Washington from Honolulu. Hawaii's former ruler is here to appear before Congress and urge the passage of Delegate Kalaniana'ole's relief bill to indemnify the queen for certain lands which were confiscated by the United States. George B. McClellan of the Honolulu Chamber of Commerce, says that Queen Liliuokalani negotiated a mortgage on her Hawaiian home to finance her trip to Washington. She contends that at the time the lands were confiscated—the period of occupancy by American troops in Hawaii—property of the crown yielded an income of \$50,000 a year.

Library Week at Columbia.

The officers of the Missouri Library Association met in Columbia Thursday and outlined a program for the next annual meeting of the Association. Beside the general topics for discussion, there will be one session devoted to college problems, and one to the problems of the small library. The officers plan also for a library institute to be held in connection with the State meeting, making an entire week given to library problems. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday will be devoted to the library institute; Thursday night, Friday and Saturday to the meeting of the Missouri Library Association; Thursday night an address will be delivered by some distinguished speaker under the auspices of the association.

ROOSEVELT'S TRIP IS BURLESQUED

President Sees Skit at the Annual Gridiron Club Dinner.

SOUVENIR IS A STEAM-ROLLER

"Auditor" Rings Up Dollar a Word As the Chief Executive Writes.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—At the annual fall dinner of the Gridiron Club, held at the New Willard Sargeant Club, led into the room four soldiers in battle-worn uniforms, all that were left of the political army of 1908.

"Sergeant, call the roll of your company," ordered President Henry. The roll call proceeded:

"Private Taft."
"Here."
"Private Bryan."
"Among the missing."
"Private Roosevelt."
"Still pursuing the enemy."
"Corporal 'Pete' Hepburn."
"Bushwhacked—dead on the field of battle."
"Color Sergeant Hitchcock."
"Here with the colors, also with the goods."
"Private Von Yonson."
"Escaped without a scratch."
"Sergeant Jim Watson."
"Killed while riding on the Indiana water wagon."
"Private John Dalzell."
"Present, but in a bad way."

The Taft Song.

Early in the dinner the quartette sang its Taft song. Here is the first verse and the chorus, to the tune of "Yip, My Addy, I Ay."

One night last November, as we well remember,
Republicans sat up and laughed,
Their campaign perfected, they all had elected
A big brainy fellow named Taft;
And now we are busy, all asking
Who is he
Selecting for his cabinet?
We hate to confess it, we really can't
guess it.

So what is the answer we get?
Chorus:
Yip, my caddy, I say, I say,
Yip, my caddy, I say,
Who will be in the cabinet?
Taft can tell, but he will not—
Just yet.

Yip, my caddy, I say, I say
We're all of us golfers today;
If we want to belong,
We must sing him this song:
Yip, my caddy, hooray.

In addition to the chorus, there was a "stunt" by the music committee, who, attired in caps and sweaters, and carrying baseballs, bats, footballs, golf clubs, etc., represented themselves to be members of the electoral college. When asked who was their patron saint, they replied in unison, "John D. Rockefeller."

"What was the amount of his endowment fund?" was asked.
"Twenty-nine million dollars."
"Have we got it?"
"Not yet."

One skit was devoted to President Roosevelt's African trip. The president arrived at the dinner at half past 10 o'clock. Shortly afterward the lights were switched off, and the room left in complete darkness. The president of the Gridiron Club announced:

At a Dollar a Word.
"We are now in darkest Africa," and the room resounded with roars and growls of wild animals. Presently the light came up with the lively announcement from the dark, "sudden sunrise in Southern Senegambia" and the guests at the dinner found a tent on which was a sign, "The Lookout." The tent stood in the midst of a tropical jungle. In front there were discovered an orderly in khaki and with helmet, a Zulu chief who stood guard with a spear and a mysterious person who wore a label, "Auditor" and carried a bell punch.

The rattle of a typewriter was heard within the tent and then a voice saying:
"Here, secretary, take this:"
Then followed: "Scribblers Magazine, New York. Victoria Nyanza, April 1. The lion is a wild and ferocious animal."

At that moment it was discovered why the auditor was in the party. He registered each word with the bell punch and totaled the amount at a dollar a word after each sentence.

Following the recent national campaign, the dinner was especially notable in the exceptional opportunity it offered in supplying subjects for the merry-makers. In an unusual degree the souvenir of the dinner, a miniature steam roller, was unique. It drew particular attention to Chairman Frank H. Hitchcock of the Republican national com-

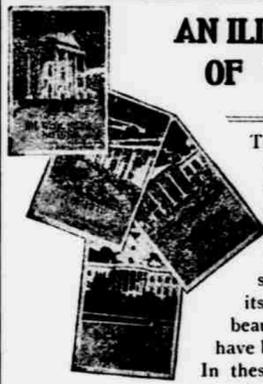
mittee, who was one of the notable guests. The steam roller was a little bronze affair with the name T-a-f-t on the obverse and the gridiron emblem on the reverse side.

Distinguished Guests There.

The banquet hall at the new Willard was gorgeously decorated for the occasion. Seldom has the work of the florist been exerted with more telling effect than was shown in the arrangement of evergreens and choice blooms that characterized the decorations. President Roosevelt, President-Elect William H. Taft, Vice President-Elect Sherman, E. H. Harriman, the distinguished financier; Champ Clark, the new minority leader of the house of representatives; Vice President Fairbanks and Governor John Johnson of Minnesota were among the distinguished speakers of the evening, but a rule of the club prevents any report of their remarks.

The Guests.

The guests included President Roosevelt, Vice President Fairbanks, President-Elect Taft, Vice President-Elect Sherman, Speaker Cannon, Secretary of the Navy Newberry, Postmaster General Meyer, Secretary of the Interior Garfield, Senators Aldrich, Beveridge, Bourne, Gallinger, Guggenheim, Hemmaway, Newlands and Warner; Representatives Champ Clark, Hughes, Hull, Humphrey, Langley, Lloyd Lowden, McKinley, Mann, Dalzell, Moore, Nye, Stevens, Tawney, Perkins, Ransdell, Small, Burleson and Sparkman; Governors Magoon of Cuba, Fear of Hawaii and Johnson of Minnesota; Secretary Loeb, Frank H. Hitchcock, Norman E. Mack, Charles H. Boynton, Victor Morawetz, George W. Perkins, E. H. Harriman and William Roche, all of New York; W. H. Crocker, San Francisco; Milton E. Ales, Assistant Secretary of State Andee, Brigadier General Clarence R. Edwards, Professor Willis L. Moore, chief of the weather bureau; Commissioner of Patents E. I. Moore, W. W. Abell, Baltimore Sun; Sidney W. Dean, Boston Herald; James Elverson, Jr., Philadelphia Inquirer; Conde Hamlin, New York Tribune; W. E. Haskell, Boston Herald; A. F. Holden, Cleveland Plain Dealer; Lot Lee, Indianapolis News; Lynn R. Meekins, Baltimore American-Star; George E. Miller, Detroit News; W. R. Nelson, Kansas City Star; Victor Rosewater, Omaha Bee; John B. Townsend, Philadelphia Press; E. G. Lewis, Lewis Publishing Company, St. Louis; George H. Ham, Montreal, Canada; Frank N. Barksdale, Pennsylvania railroad; Timothy E. Byrne, New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad; William M. Collier minister to Spain; Solicitor General Hoyt; William Pitt Kellogg; Virgil P. Kline; Cleveland; Interstate Commerce Commissioner Lane; Ormsby McHarg, North Dakota; Victor L. Mason; Baron von Reethofen, German embassy; Dr. Leo Vogel minister from Switzerland; Thomas F. Walsh, Colorado; Dr. Harvey Wiley, department of agriculture; Charles G. Dawes, Chicago, and Nathan Frank, St. Louis; George Harrison Arazier, H. R. Goshorn, Arthur W. Sewall, John B. Townsend and Henry F. Walton, all of Philadelphia.



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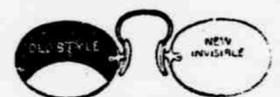
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