MERCHANTS SET PLAN FOR XMAS CELEBRATION

Children's Parade Will Be Feature Event

PLAN TREASURE HUNT

Many Different Prizes Will Be Given

The Chestertown Mercantile Section of the Kent County Chamber of Commerce, assisted by other merchants in Chestertown, are planning one of the most interesting and elaborate programs for the annual Christmas Treat that has ever been put over in this community.

Early in October the Mercantile Section asked for letters outlining a plan for the Christmas celebration, the best letter to win a ten dollar gold piece. The prize-winner was Harry S. Russell.

The Committee in charge of the program was authorized to use suggestions from the prize-winning letter and also from any other letter that might have good ideas. They have outlined their plan as follows: a large box will be placed in a conspicious placed labeled "Special North Pole Air Mail" and will receive letters to Santa Claus. As the date will be some time before Christmas, this will give the children's letters plenty of time to reach their destination and have Santa fill their orders.

A registration booth will be placed probably in the public park and a prize will be given for the oldest person registering. A prize will also be given to the largest family in town that day. If a tie results in the latter case the decision will be made in favor of the largest family having the youngest parents. Turkeys will be prizes in both of these contests.

Close by the registration booth, or in a conspicuous store window, will be a jar of pennies. The person guessing the correct number of pennies, or coming nearest to the correct amount will win a large turkey.

A rest room will be provided for mothers having small children where the children may be left with competent attendants and plenty of toys, leaving the mother free to shop.

Santa Claus, himself, will head a costume parade of small children up to twelve years of age. Prizes will be awarded for the best, the funniest and the most original costumes with first, second and third prizes, making nine prizes in all for the costume parade.

After the parade, Santa will go to his headquarters in the park and distribute oranges and toys to the small children.

One of the most exciting and unique events of the day will be a treasure hunt. Several prizes will be awarded the winning contestants. This will be the happy hunting ground of contestants between the ages of 12 and 18 years. The hunters will start from a given point with written instructions, persons on the street will be described, the hunter reaching the right person will be given a card with further directions and so on down the line to the place where the treasure will be found. The prizes in treasure hunts are bound to go to the swiftest thinker with the fleetest foot and has possibilities for a rollicking good time by contestants and on-lookers.

An exhibition of fireworks will be held on a later evening as the Committee feels an entire day and evening in town is impossible for many of the residents of farming districts. The Committee in charge is Carl N. Bordley, Chairman; E. Scott Thompson, A. Sydney Turner, Jr., Joseph Lewis and Ben L. Bonnett.

The date of the celebration has not yet been set but will be publicized through the county papers with a schedule of the various events for the day as soon as decided upon.

Vesper Concert Set For College

Second Of Series Scheduled For November 10

The second of the 1929-1930 series of college vesper services will be held Sunday afternoon, November 10th,, at three o'clock in the auditorium of William Smith Hall, Washington College. The service will include a musical program and an address. In view of the nearness of Armistice Day, the sponsers of this service feel that they have been very fortunate in securing Mr. Wallace Williams of Elkton as the speaker. Mr. Williams is a former State Commander of the American Legion. The local American Legion post has been invited to attend this service.

The people of Chestertown and vicinity are invited to this and to all other services that will be held at the college on Sunday afternoons throughout the year.

The program follows:

1. a. March, "United Liberty" Losey
   b. "Animation Schottische" Heed
   Orchestra
2. Male Quartette Selection
   Selected
   Male Quartette
3. Violin Solo, "The Rosary" Nevin
   Mr. Tedesco
4. Romance, "Homeless" Arthur
   Orchestra
5. Vocal Solo, "Recessional" Kipling
   Miss Dorothy Johnson
6. String Trio, "Nobody Knows the Trouble I see"
   American Negro Melody
   Messrs. Cooper, Stevens, Willis.
   Livingood
7. Address
   Mr. Wallace Williams
8. String Trio, "Patriotic Medley"
   String Trio
9. March, "Flag of True" Laurendeau

Ideal Dwelling Place for the "Simple Lifer"

The loneliest village in England boasts six names—Wiston, Wissington, Wisson, Wisseen, Wiseton and Whiston—and one motorcycle, one wireless set, one inn and one dartboard.

This village, surrounded by cornfields and towering trees, has hardly changed since the old cottages were built hundreds of years ago. The village was in existence in 1066.

It has no electric light, gas or water supply, shop, telephone or meeting hall. There is not even a village green. It shares a policeman with three neighboring villages.

Many of the inhabitants have never been more than ten miles from home, and the majority of the old farmers and laborers have never been inside a cinema or theater, some have never ridden in a train or heard a wireless broadcast.

The villagers work from sunrise till sunset, and take their relaxation in the taproom of old Fox inn, where the youngsters get excited over a "needle game" of darts.

Library Problem Solved

The owner of a home library of considerable size has solved every private librarian's problem of book borrowers who do not return books. He doesn't lend any. Of course, his method isn't quite as simple as that, but at least he doesn't have to worry about stray books. "Whenever anyone becomes particularly fond of a book of mine," he explains, "I give it to him. This may seem foolish at first, but it works out for the best in the long run. It saves me a lot of grief."—Detroit News.

Sees Napoleon as One of Nature's Supermen

Napoleon believed in no religion; he advocated companionate marriage; he suffered terribly from defeat, but never from remorse; he regarded friends, family and women without any affection (barring his early infatuation for Josephine)—in short, he was a superman. He had enough energy for 100 men.

How difficult it is even now to escape from the glamor of his name! Although I know he was one of the most cold-blooded scoundrels that ever lived, and all Europe had to choose between peace and him, that no country, no people and no community were safe while he was at large—although I am aware of all this, if he should appear on earth now and say "It is the emperor!" I might leave all and follow him.—William Lyon Phelps in Scribner's.

Concerning Fans

"Customs of Mankind" says that "Fans have an interesting history. The first fan was probably a palm leaf or some other natural device appropriated by man to keep away flies or gnats, perhaps even to cool the fevered brow in tropical climates. We know that in Egypt, 2,000 years ago, fashionable hosts had special servants to stand behind dinner guests and fan them with huge papyrus fans. In France the fan reached the height of its development under Louis XIV. We read that 'Fans are invariable accompaniment of feminine costume and that they are of rare beauty, exquisitely painted and mounted on sticks of carved or painted wood, mother-of-pearl, carved ivory or gold. There are over 500 makers of fans in Paris and they enjoy special privileges accorded to them by the king.'"

Refugee Churches

There is another refugee church beside the one at Austin Friars, London. A chapel in the crypt of Canterbury cathedral has been used by the Huguenots ever since Queen Elizabeth granted them a charter. The weavers who were among the refugees were allowed to use a portion of the crypt to set up their looms, and they used it for that purpose for many years. From time to time attempts have been made by the cathedral authorities to have the Huguenots removed from the precincts of the cathedral, but they have always failed to do so. The service is conducted in the French language by a minister in a quaint mediaeval gown.

Cigarette Paper

Practically all the cigarette papers in this country come from France, which makes the cigarette paper for almost the entire world. These papers are so thin and light that it takes several hundred of the little sheets that go around the cigarette to make an ounce. While commonly known as rice paper, this paper is not made from rice, but from flax and hemp trimmings, only new material being used. The flax and hemp is cut into small particles, thoroughly mixed and ground almost to a dust. Then it is put through a washing process, crushed into a pulp and rolled out into paper.

Delve Into Secrets of Island of Madagascar

A great deal of mystery surrounds the picturesque island of Madagascar. It appears to be the lumber room of an old continent, but which, or perhaps better, where is the continent, asks a correspondent: "Some think that Madagascar has broken away from its mother continent, Africa; others that it is one of the relics of a hypothetical continent, 'Lemuria,' which existed long ago in the Indian ocean between Africa and India." This is not, as the casual reader might think, a passage from some romance of the lost lands of the world. It is merely an extract from an official document, circulated by the British museum to call attention to the fact that an expedition is now at work in Madagascar seeking the solution of some of its riddles. It is not, then, beyond the bounds of possibility that the scientists may yet send the world authentic tidings of a lost continent.

The Culprit

"My dear," remarked Mr. Pitt, as he sat at breakfast one morning, "I think there was a burglar in the house last night."

"Why do you think that?" asked his loving wife.

"Well," said he, "I left a lot of money in my pockets before I went to bed last night, but there's none there now."

"That's your own fault," she replied snappily. "You should have got up and shot the person. If you hadn't been such a coward, you wouldn't have lost your money."

"Yes, perhaps you're right, my dear; but then I didn't want to become a widower."—London Weekly Telegraph.

Looking Backward

There were some strange peoples in prehistoric Kentucky. Scientists in digging deep in Kentucky soil are said to have discovered evidence of two distinct groups of human beings existing in different ages and at different levels. One race buried its dead in stone chambers whilst another had granite altars for human sacrifice and burned their dead in pits of masonry. At any rate they seem to have had means of making fire, although they were here 10,000 years before cigar lighters were introduced. This is a darned sight older country than we think and men with shovels turn up many surprises.—Los Angeles Times.

It Hurt

Ellen Terry, to everybody's surprise, left $120,000. A New York actress was talking about her.

"Her wit was sharp," the actress said. "Sometimes it was too sharp. It hurt.

"She and I and three or four other actresses were standing behind the scenes at a benefit in a Broadway theater one afternoon. A young and pretty actress said uncertainly:

"'I don't think I'll sing, after all. I'm sure they don't expect me.'

"'Indeed they do expect you, darling,' said Ellen Terry. 'Don't you see them all leaving?'"

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Normality Tested

"Name a number between five and twelve," said a psychologist to me recently, writes a correspondent. "Ten," I replied. "And a color," he demanded. "Orange," I murmured. "Absolutely abnormal," he snapped. It appears that if one is perfectly normal the replies are "Seven" and "Blue." I found that out of 20 people, including clerks, advocates, journalists and hostesses, 16 of them gave normal responses—"Seven" and "Blue." The reasons for this are said to be that most people believe seven to be a lucky number and blue is a favorite color. Try it on your friends.

The Faithful Heart

He was a patient, long-suffering young man, and he was very much in love. But when at last she arrived at the corner where they had arranged to meet he ventured to remonstrate a little.

"Darling," he said, after he had kissed her, "surely you're rather late?"

She glanced at her watch.

"Only a few minutes," she protested. "I said I'd be here at six o'clock and it's just a quarter past now."

"Oh," sighed the young man, "then you must have made a mistake about the date! I've been here since last night."

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