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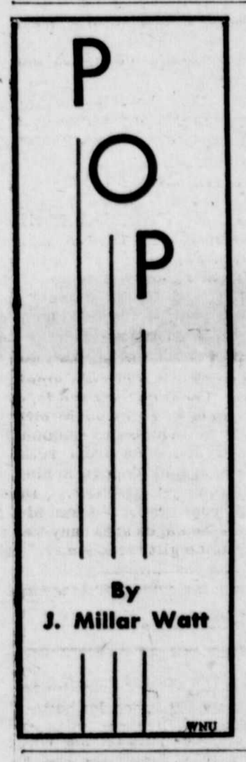
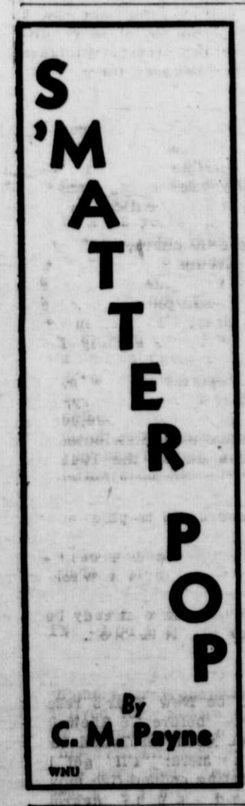
Events in the Lives of Little Men





TIGHTWAD

"I don't believe in doing things by halves."

"Well, I've never known you to spend more than a quarter."

Plenty of Practice

The lady whose auto had run over a man called at the hospital to see the hapless victim. He was heavily swathed in bandages as a result of the accident.

"You really must have been walking carelessly," she said, "for I am a good driver. I have been driving seven years."

"You've got nothing on me, ma'am," said the man. "I've been walking fifty-nine years."

SAME THING

"Are you going to marry that insignificant little shrimp?"

"Mama took a chance—why can't I?"

Is There a Santa Claus?

Here Are Two Answers to That Important Question:

COURSE THERE IS!
(And who could doubt those trusting eyes?)

NO THERE AIN'T!
(And who would argue against that determined jaw?)

'Goody Tree' Will Brighten Your Home At Christmas—And It's Easy to Make

INSTEAD of pulling out that old box of glass ornaments to decorate your Christmas tree, why not make it a "Goody Tree" this winter? It looks nice, it's lots of fun to make, and it's still more fun to eat the ornaments when Christmas is over.

Popcorn balls, cookie Santa Clauses, surprise nuts, candy canes and a dozen other delicacies can hang from the tree on Christmas morning. Instead of just looking at the pretty tree standing in the corner, you can reach out and eat some of the nice things that hang from its branches.

A Goody Tree doesn't cost very much because the few materials needed are later eaten anyway. No real work is required to make the goodies; parents and children can have a lot of fun working together to make their tree pretty.

Popcorn Strings.

Popcorn strings always look pretty on the tree. They're easy to make, too. Paint some popcorn with vegetable coloring. Then thread it on a piece of string, keeping a regular combination of colors, such as one red and one white, or one red and two white.

Popcorn balls can be fixed next. Boil two cups of sugar with syrup and pour over freshly buttered popcorn. Mix well and allow to cool slightly. Butter your hands thoroughly, then shape into balls. When the balls are shaped, push a string into them before you put them aside to dry. This will make them easier to hang.

Surprise nuts always make a hit with the children—and grown-ups, too. Scoop the nutmeats out of a couple dozen walnuts, being careful not to crack or break the shells. Into each two pieces of empty shell, place a little gift, such as a shiny new penny, a piece of candy, a little trinket, or even a dime. Place a piece of knotted string between the two halves before glueing them together. When the glue is dry, paint the shells bright colors. Before long, no one will remember what is inside any one of them.

Buy some nice, solid red apples and a few good looking oranges. Shine the apples until they glisten, then stack them in the shape of a pyramid at the base of the tree. Be careful to arrange the oranges and apples in some regular order or design.

Christmas Cookies.

When you bake Christmas cookies, put as much color into the figures as possible. Break some hard candy and put in little pieces for eyes, or make a few buttons down the front of the shirt. Push a piece of string through each cookie so it can be hung on the tree.

Lollypops may easily be made attractive. Simply tie some fancy bows made out of cellophane or colored paper around the stems. Candy canes always dress up a tree, and can be purchased almost anyplace.

If you have some tinfoil, use it to make a few small cornucopias. Shape it into the form of a cone and push a piece of string through one side. Fill the cone with little candies and it is ready to hang on the tree.

Many more things can be made for the tree. Use any ideas you might have—it will make the tree more your own.

The goodies are hung on the tree the same as regular ornaments. It is advisable, however, to place them so that small children can get at some candies without danger of pulling down the tree.

When it is all finished, the Goody Tree will probably give you the most fun out of Christmas you've had in years.

Illuminated Christmas Tree on Front Lawn Will Give Extra Beauty to Your Home

AN ILLUMINATED tree in front of a house always makes it look more "homey" on Christmas eve. It need not necessarily be a pine or fir tree—it may be any evergreen standing apart or in shrubbery hugging the house.

The lighted tree or shrub not only makes the home look more beautiful, but also serves as a definite contribution to the community Christmas spirit.

There is, of course, a right and a wrong way to do this, as there is in doing everything else. The ordinary indoor Christmas tree lighting sets are not apt to prove very satisfactory, although often they serve the purpose. But much more often their exposure to the elements spells their doom. For one thing the lamps are quite small, and also because the cord or wire is not properly protected by rubber or other safety insulation that will aid it in withstanding the uncertain weather of Christmas week.

In buying such an illuminating set it is, therefore, necessary to tell the electrician from whom you are purchasing it for what purpose it is intended, and ask him to suggest the best way to connect it.

If it is to be plugged in on your house lighting circuit, make certain that the total wattage of the set does not pull the full capacity of the circuit. Particularly if that is a circuit frequently used for heating, cooking appliances, operating a piano or a phonograph or serving a charger for the radio. Otherwise, it may cause you considerable annoyance blowing fuses.

It will not be necessary to place any ornaments upon the tree, although a very few might improve the appearance. It is advisable not to place too many lights upon the tree. If they are close together, the real beauty of the tree may be lost.

Christmas 'Carol' Was Written for Pagan Celebration

Deck the halls with boughs of holly,
Fa la la la la la, la la la la.
'Tis the season to be jolly,
Fa la la la la la, la la la la.

THIS cheerful little song which is sung during Christmas time is not dedicated to the birth of Christ, but to an old pagan celebration observed in ancient Britain centuries before it was Christianized.

The Yule festival was celebrated by the early tribes about the same time that we observe Christmas. The season was opened by bringing in the Yule log. This was followed by decorating the home with holly, then singing, dancing and feasting on plum pudding, and mince pies.

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