

## THE MAIN LINE CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION

Annual Meeting Was Held December 4—Election of Officers—Prominent Main Line Men Conspicuous—Narberth Takes Active Part and Well Represented

This association held its annual meeting at Roberts Hall, Bryn Mawr, Monday evening, December 4. The officers and directors are as follows: President, Alfred M. Collins; vice-presidents, Isaac Sharpless, Alba B. Johnson, Wm. D. Winsor, Wm. T. Elliott, Wm. Righter Fisher; secretary, Francis M. Brooke; treasurer, Wm. J. Clark, 715 Chestnut street; solicitor, Clement B. Wood. Directors—Henry S. Williams, Richard M. Gummere, Edwin M. Wilson, Robert C. Wright, Jos. J. Derham, Richard S. Dewees, James E. Dougherty, Rev. G. C. Carter, Dr. J. H. Cloud, Edmund C. Evans, Edward Y. Hartshorne, Mrs. W. B. Stephenson, Mrs. Rodman E. Griscom, Mrs. James D. Winsor, Mrs. C. H. Ludington.

President Alfred M. Collins gave an interesting address, outlining the hope and aim of the association, and some of its many achievements through its very capable committees. These committees include the following: Visiting Nurse and Relief, Mrs. Walter B. Stephenson, chairman, Haverford; Parks and Playgrounds, Mrs. James D. Winsor, chairman, Haverford; Finance, Mr. Jonathan M. Steere, chairman, Haverford; Village Improvement, Mr. Alfred H. Granger, chairman, Haverford; Law, Order and Legislation, Mr. William Righter Fisher, chairman, Bryn Mawr; Roads and Automobiles, Mr. Howard Longstreth, chairman, Haverford; Suburban Federation of Clubs, Mr. Henry S. Williams, chairman, 918 Chestnut street, Philadelphia.

Mr. Alba B. Johnson introduced the speakers of the evening. He gave a short and interesting talk, telling how the work of the association had broadened. He said the improved existing laws took care of many things now that the association strived to obtain when it was first inaugurated; that this left the association free to do a still greater work.

The second speaker was Mr. M. O. Eldridge, U. S. Office of Public Roads, Washington, D. C., who spoke on the "Improvement and Maintenance of Roads." He complimented the roads of Lower Merion, and said incidentally that "the secret of beautiful roads is planting in masses, avoiding straight lines and having plenty of open space."

Mr. J. Horace McFarland, president of the American Civic Association, Harrisburg, spoke on "See Pennsylvania First." With the aid of lantern slides he pictured some of the many beauties of Pennsylvania. He urged strongly that something be done for the preservation of the timber that is being wastefully cut down in our State.

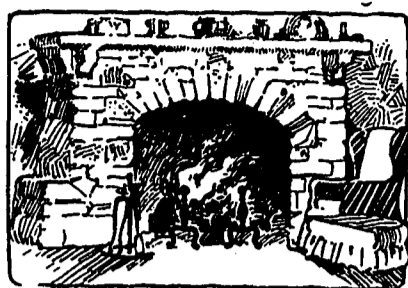
The printed report of the work done by the Main Line Civic Association during 1915 is very interesting, and shows a vast amount of good work accomplished. Mr. Henry S. Williams, who was president in 1915, refers to the fact that no officer nor member of the board receives a salary, and that all money given is expended for actual service of the community at large. In this report, he states that the association is co-operating with the School Board in preventive work, by examining students who show indications of sickness. He refers to the fine work done by the Visiting Nurse and Relief Committee. The actual service performed by the nurses is a powerful force for the uplift of the community, in co-operation with the Social Visitors of the Federation of Churches. The Ardmore playground was opened in 1915, and proved a wonderful success; not less than 40,000 persons visited it during July and August. There was a marked decrease in disorder in Ardmore, after the opening of the playground. It was expected that the Bryn Mawr playground would be opened during 1916.

The Village Improvement Committee, working in co-operation with the Township Commissioners, collected 360 loads of rubbish in Lower Merion and Haverford Townships on the annual "Clean-up" Day. This committee also co-operated with the Gardeners' Club and the "Weeders," contributing to prizes for best kept gardens, yards, etc.

A special committee was appointed to represent the association in the Suburban Federation of Clubs, consisting of the Ardmore Civic Association, the Main Line Citizens' Association, the Merion Civic Association, the Narberth Civic Association, the Neighborhood Club of Bala-Cynwyd.

This federation was organized for the purpose of co-operative work on larger matters affecting all Suburban Districts.

"Our Town" is indebted to Secretary Francis M. Brooke, of the Main Line Citizens' Association, for the report of their annual meeting, and the facts regarding the association given above. The Main Line Association is doing a splendid work, and is in every way a model civic organization. It is especially gratifying that they are aided in their efforts for civic improvement by the Township Commissioners, School Board and other constituted authorities. This is as it should be, and it is hoped that this kind of co-operation will be inaugurated in all other localities where Civic Associations exist.



## THE FIRESIDE

Betty Baxter's Gossip.

Mr. E. George Wurst is spending a few weeks in Florida.

Mr. J. C. Johnson, Jr., of Grayling avenue, is ill with pneumonia.

Mr. S. C. Kelton and family are new residents of our town. They reside at 122 Merion avenue.

Miss Amie Adams, of Brooklyn, is spending ten days with Mrs. Reed R. Smith, Merion avenue.

An attractive luncheon was given to-day by Mrs. William Curtis Pollock at her home, 407 Woodside avenue.

Anthyn Boys' Club lost its first game of basket ball to the Holy Comforter Memorial by the score of 39-13.

Mr. George C. Hoffman, father of Dr. Romaine C. Hoffman, is in Narberth for a visit during the holiday season.

Go to hear that sermon "Out of the Ivory Palaces" to be preached in the Presbyterian Church next Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank P. Eyer, of Woodside avenue, left last week for Bloomsburg, Pa., where they will remain over the holidays.

Have you heard the beautiful new gospel song "Out of the Ivory Palaces"? It will be sung next Sunday morning in the Presbyterian Church.

Mr. W. W. Akers, of Elmwood avenue, has returned to Narberth, having spent several months on a business trip through the western part of Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Anna M. Owens has gone to Dauphin, Pa., where she will reside during the winter. Mrs. Owens has been a resident of Narberth for twenty-nine years.

Mr. Robert H. Durbin was pleasantly surprised on his birthday anniversary, Saturday evening. Friends and relatives were present from Narberth, Ardmore, Swarthmore, Philadelphia and Merchantville.

Mrs. John W. Joyce has sent out invitations for Thursday evening, December 14th, to meet Mrs. Frederic A. Anderson. Mrs. Anderson will be remembered as Miss Anna McCarg, of Woodside avenue.

Mr. E. R. Dunn, who has been a resident of Narberth for the past year, will spend the Christmas holidays with his parents at Richmond Hill, Long Island. Mr. Dunn had charge of the Narbrook development which has been recently completed, and in his capacity as landscape engineer, performed his duties in a manner highly satisfactory to the Park Development Committee in charge of the work. Before coming to Narberth he had been connected with the development at Forest Hills, Long Island, and has therefore had considerable experience in this particular line of work. He will return after the holidays to take charge of contracting work for Mr. Alexander C. Shand, Jr.

The announcement of our fellow townsman, Mr. C. E. Humphreys, which appeared in Our Town last week, to the effect that he was a candidate for Borough Tax Collector, was received with much satisfaction by his many friends in the borough. Mr. Humphreys has a thorough acquaintance with the affairs of the borough in

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## Open Letter to the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, No. 3.

Gentlemen:—

We trust that you will investigate the facts mentioned in our letters No. 1 and No. 2, relative to NARBERTH EXPRESS SERVICE.

We have investigated somewhat, and find there is not the close feeling toward the Railroads throughout the country that there should be. Realizing that the Pennsylvania Railroad Company has gone to great expense to electrify its road from Philadelphia to Paoli, furnishing clean, comfortable coaches, well heated and lighted, we have hesitated in asking for the improvements and the EXPRESS SERVICE we need so badly.

If you wish to convince yourself that we are asking only what is just and right, send one of your inspectors to Narberth to watch the arrival of the 5.45 from Broad Street Station. This is what he will see: A train of from twelve to fourteen coaches, crowded to such an extent that it takes two conductors to handle the train. He will find that the platform is not sufficiently long to unload the train properly, and it is a nightly occurrence for men, women and children to step down a distance of three feet on to the railroad ties and rough stone, as usually, the last two cars extend beyond the length of the platform. It is only through the kindness and great care of the conductors and brakemen, night after night, that a serious accident does not occur.

To avoid this trouble, let us make you a suggestion, if you will permit it. There are three trains in the evening that could very well stop at Narberth; namely, 5.10, 5.40 and 6.05. Each of these trains makes Ardmore the first stop. Change these trains to NARBERTH FIRST STOP, and we promise you that we will step lively and not cause the Ardmore people to wait. Do this for your NARBERTH PATRONS.

PROGRESSIVE.

## DR. THOMAS A. LAMBIE'S LECTURE

Dr. Lambie, a brother of Mrs. R. C. McQuilkin, of Narberth, gave a very interesting and instructive illustrated talk at the Presbyterian Church on Monday evening of this week. Owing to the disagreeable weather, the attendance was not as large as it should have been.

Dr. Lambie has been a medical missionary in the Egyptian Sudan for the past nine years, visiting the interior 200 miles beyond all other missionary workers, and obtaining much valuable information in connection with his splendid work among the benighted natives.

He prefaced his talk with imitations of the cries of African wild animals, and illustrated the difference between our gestures and those of the Sudanese. For instance, instead of pointing out directions with their hand and index finger, they thrust out their tongue in the proper direction.

As Dr. Lambie's talk progressed, it became clear that he is pervaded with the true spirit of Christianity, as might be expected of one who devotes his life to the spiritual and physical welfare of such people, submerged in ignorance and superstition, and who gives us all the advantages and delights of an enlightened home-land, for the purpose of giving these people an insight into the better life. It is more or less the practice to belittle foreign missions, and to ridicule missionaries, in some quarters. A few minutes' talk with such a man as Dr. Lambie would convince the most sceptical of the deep devotion and wonderful self-sacrifice of the men and women who give up everything that is deemed desirable by most people, for the uplift of their fellow-men. The seeming hopelessness of the task is no discouragement to them; with stout hearts and cheerful optimism, and pervaded by the true spirit of the Master, they press on, quietly and unostentatiously doing the work that no one else would do.

The lecturer modestly refrained from telling much about his own good work, but enough was told, and pictures revealed what the presence of such a man must mean to the poor, ignorant and suffering people of the Sudan. There was a deep pathos in

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## MAIN LINE BOWLING LEAGUE

Wayne, Pa., Dec. 9.—The Wayne Men's Club bowling quintet of the Main Line League maintained its stride as pacemaker of the league by winning two out of three from the Paoli Travelers on the local alleys here last night, Captain Shuster leading in the onslaught with a total of 566 pins. Scores:

WAYNE M. C.			
	1st game.	2nd game.	3rd game.
Shuster . . . . .	209	182	175
Tergo . . . . .	138	129	119
Hart . . . . .	191	187	156
Ware . . . . .	146	173	141
Walt . . . . .	132	142	166
Totals . . . . .	816	813	757

PAOLI TRAVELERS.			
	1st game.	2nd game.	3rd game.
Hanley . . . . .	149	171	180
Gilpin . . . . .	123	...	...
Thomas . . . . .	...	131	...
Hatch . . . . .	...	...	148
McAllister . . . . .	165	133	...
Holland . . . . .	...	...	134
Supplee . . . . .	164	155	172
Steigerwalt . . . . .	178	144	163
Totals . . . . .	779	734	797

ARDMORE Y. M. C. A.			
	1st game.	2nd game.	3rd game.
Chapin . . . . .	138	154	167
McIntyre . . . . .	145	...	151
Zelley . . . . .	...	148	127
Oakley . . . . .	157	130	...
Kane . . . . .	140	150	140
Haines . . . . .	184	149	173
Totals . . . . .	764	731	768

NARBERTH Y. M. C. A.			
	1st game.	2nd game.	3rd game.
Humphries . . . . .	138	157	170
Hartley . . . . .	131	148	136
McKell . . . . .	138	165	148
Laird . . . . .	98	130	151
Savill . . . . .	155	178	134
Totals . . . . .	660	778	739

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### UNCLAIMED LETTERS AT NARBERTH POST OFFICE

Miss Kite, Mrs. Charles Last, Edward S. Haws, Postmaster.

### CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

Two cents per word in advance; minimum ten words.

WANTED—Reliable girl to assist with housework, no washing. Sleep in or out. Reply to Box 662, Narberth, Pa. (10)

GO TO THE "Garden Studio Shop" for unusual and attractive articles for Xmas. Bird houses, everything for gardens, smocks, children's dresses, candle sticks, pottery, toys, etc. 219 Narberth avenue Direct entrance to shop, 212 Grayling avenue. (10-11)

FOR SALE—\$15.00 Victrola for \$5.00. Box 820. (10-11)

### TWO IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

December 21st, 8.00 P. M.—Christmas Carol Service.

December 22nd, 8.45 A. M.—School Christmas exercises. Everybody cordially invited.

## BASKET BALL!

NARBERTH Y. M. C. A. SRS. vs. WALNUT A. C.

Saturday, Dec. 16

8.15 o'clock Admission 10c

## Christmas Carol Service

Public School Auditorium

Thursday Evening, December 21st, 8 o'clock

BY

Pupils of the Public School

Remember last year—if you were fortunate enough to be there! Ask those who were not—if you were not

**BOY SCOUT ACTIVITIES**

**Election of Officers—"The 3-4-6 Hunt"—New Members—First Merit Badge**

Narberth boy scouts are very active these winter months, the indoor program proving almost as interesting to the boys as the outdoor work. Last Friday evening, December 8, the annual election was held, resulting as follows: Edwin Coggeshall, patrol leader; Baird Caldwell, assistant patrol leader; William Stanley, patrol scribe. Bicycle Patrol: Lowe Cummer, patrol leader; Benjamin Yowell, assistant patrol leader; Clarence T. Faries, Jr., patrol scribe. Kangaroo Patrol: Paul Braden, patrol leader; Herbert Krell, assistant patrol leader; John Wilson, patrol scribe. One representative of each patrol was chosen to act with Scoutmaster Cole and Troop Scribe John Wilson as a program committee. The scouts elected to represent the three patrols on this committee were Warren Speakman (Kangaroo), Wycliffe Walton (Bicycle) and Baird Caldwell (Seal).

At the first meeting of the program committee, held at the home of the scoutmaster, it was decided to start a secret competition among the patrols of the troop to be known as "The 3-4-6 Hunt." This hunt was inaugurated with great enthusiasm by the scouts and will be productive of great good to themselves and to others even though their work must be kept a secret among the members of the troop and their parents.

Among the boys recently passing their tenderfoot tests are Merritt Davis, Warren Speakman and Donald Falle.

The first merit badge secured by a Narberth scout is one for the "Personal Helath" test and adorns the sleeve of Assistant Patrol Leader Herbert Krell, of the Kangaroos.

**RAILROAD RATES.**

**New Schedule in Effect With Reduced Fare.**

The new schedule of commuters' rates approved by the State Public Service Commission was put into effect Wednesday by the Pennsylvania and Reading lines. Tuesday night these railroads officially put out the revised lists, with the notice the new fifty-trip tickets are on sale. At the same time both carriers announced the continuance of the existing forms of commutation tickets.

The Pennsylvania figures include the sixty-trip, forty-six-trip monthly school, the one hundred and eighty-trip quarterly and the ten-trip three-month ticket. The Reading announced the continuance of the ten-trip, the forty-six-trip and the sixty-trip fares. No extra charge is made in the present forms, except the discontinuance of the one hundred and eighty-trip quarterly ticket on January 1, the reason given at the Terminal being there was virtually no sale for it.

The new tariffs effect considerable reductions and the practical results attended may be summarized as follows:

The Pennsylvania and the Reading Railroads have together in and about Philadelphia 345 stations. The railroad fare for a fifty-trip ticket good for use any time within six months of purchase will be reduced at 302 of these stations; at thirty-nine of these stations the fares will remain as they are now and the fares will be increased at only four of the stations. The four stations at which the fares are to be increased are Overbrook, Bala, Wynnfield and Fernwood. These increases are all trivial. For example, at Bala, the increased cost will only be fifteen cents for fifty rides; at Overbrook, thirty cents for fifty rides; while the decreases in the fares on the Pennsylvania Railroad may be gathered from the following examples in the cost of 100 rides:

Chestnut Hill, \$1.70; Bristol, \$9.35; Bryn Mawr, \$1.55; Devon, \$6.60; West Chester, \$10.95; Coatesville, \$15.40; Norristown, \$6.80; Phoenixville, \$11.55; Media, \$4.70; Kennett Square, \$13.35; Chester, \$4.10, and Marcus Hook, \$6.75. The average basis of fares for the ticket will be reduced from 1 1-2 cents to 1 1-6 cents per mile.

A man isn't necessarily a coward because he's afraid to do wrong.

Things you try to keep dark will come to light sooner or later.

**MAIN LINE BOWLING LEAGUE**

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NARBERTH ROVERS.

	1st game.	2nd game.	3rd game.
Ward . . . . .	115	134	150
Dickie . . . . .	171	119	187
Compton . . . . .	112	157	163
Lacey . . . . .	153	151	158
Scanlin . . . . .	109	150	157
Totals . . . . .	659	711	816

ROSEMONT M. C.

	1st game.	2nd game.	3rd game.
Durnell . . . . .	171	206	149
King . . . . .	106	110	110
Doyle . . . . .	114	114	114
Rogers . . . . .	177	126	185
Dykes . . . . .	127	128	130
Wright . . . . .	203	134	201
Totals . . . . .	784	708	775

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Wayne Men's Club . . . . .	22	8	.733
Ardmore Y. M. C. A. . . . .	17	10	.630
Narberth Y. M. C. A. . . . .	15	12	.556
Rosemont Men's Club . . . . .	14	16	.467
Narberth Rovers . . . . .	14	16	.467
Paoli Travelers . . . . .	5	26	.167

High individual average—Hart, Wayne Men's Club, 166.  
High individual single game score—Wright, Rosemont Men's Club, 223.  
High individual three game score—Walt, Wayne, 569.  
High team single game—Ardmore Y. M. C. A., 868.  
High team three game score—Ardmore Y. M. C. A., 2470.

Following are the averages and games rolled by the Narberth Main Line League Y. M. C. A. team:

	Aver.
Savill, 21 games . . . . .	164
Humphries, 27 games . . . . .	160
Hartley, 23 games . . . . .	146
Haws, 8 games . . . . .	144
Clark, 4 games . . . . .	140
McKell, 21 games . . . . .	138
Laird, 6 games . . . . .	137
Eyre, 14 games . . . . .	126
Walzer, 6 games . . . . .	139

Y. M. C. A. League.

	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Essex . . . . .	8	4	.667
Colts . . . . .	4	2	.667
Plugs . . . . .	5	4	.556
Montgomery . . . . .	6	6	.500
Southside . . . . .	7	11	.389
Narbrook . . . . .	3	6	.333

High individual single game—H. Smedley, 215.  
High individual three game—Ward, 548.  
High team three game—Essex, 2258.  
High team single game—Colts, 810.  
High team average—Montgomery, 146.

Leading Individual Averages.

	Aver.
Savill, 6 games . . . . .	168
Humphries, 12 games . . . . .	166
Smith, 9 games . . . . .	158
McKell, 12 games . . . . .	156
Ward, 12 games . . . . .	156
Rose, 3 games . . . . .	155
Lacey, 9 games . . . . .	153
Churchill, 9 games . . . . .	153
A. Kirk, 9 games . . . . .	151
Scanlin, 12 games . . . . .	150
Laird, 6 games . . . . .	150

**BOROUGH OFFICERS.**

Burgess—Geo. M. Henry.  
Treasurer—Edwin P. Doid.  
Clerk of Councils—Chas. V. Noel.  
Tax Collector—James F. Sherron.  
Street Commissioner—W. S. McClellan.  
Building Inspector—J. Howard Smedley.  
Counselor—Fletcher W. Stites.  
Constable—Fred. Walzer.

"You," exclaimed an indignant old gentleman, "you want to marry my daughter? Why, sir, it is only a few years ago that you were caddying for me!"  
"Yes," the young man replied, "but I don't intend to let that stand in the way. I hope I am philosopher enough to understand that a very bad golfer may make a fairly good father-in-law!"

Uncle Josh: "Here's a letter from Nephew Harry, that's gone to Africa, and says that within twenty rods o' his house there's a family o' laughing hyenas."  
His Wife: "Well, I am glad he's got pleasant neighbors, anyway—that's something."

**MAIN LINE FISHING CLUB CLOSSES 1916 SEASON**

Members Are Specialists in the Art—Willing to Offer Proof at All Times—Individual Tastes Differ as to Classification of Favorite Kinds

Some of the old folks seem to have the impression that to go fishing means to decamp with a large lunch basket on a particularly warm summer day, and to sit in the shade on the banks of the limpid waters and admire the color of the float, while the flies and beetles attend to the basket and see that no crumbs are lost.

The Main Line Fishing Club, however, is built of different stuff; they are willing to arise early and retire late. They will take a fifty or one hundred and fifty mile trip and return with, say, five to fifty-five good size fish.

They are also willing to exhibit proof of their prowess by distributing to their friends enough fish to prove that at least they have seen the water.

Some of the members specialize in their art. For example, our friend the paperhanger and painter, Mr. Cummer, delights in securing on his carefully baited hook that pie-shaped denizen of the deep known as a skate. Mr. Edgar Taylor has shown great aptitude in pulling up crabs and sea-spiders, and Henry Rose favors the oyster fish.

The oyster fish has a mouth like a monkey wrench and can chew up an oyster shell into tooth powder in a few moments. He likes the way that Henry baits the hook.

Contrary to the usual impression that Mr. Verna is a trout fisherman we would like to call attention to the number of croakers that he lands each season.

Another member, Wm. Claghorn, favors sun fish and is perfectly willing to come home with a string of twenty of them even if they weigh in the aggregate one pound.

Lew Hess likes to chase roaches. That is the shining little fish that resembles a live sardine. Lew will catch them by the hour and is still willing to go and try it again.

L. B. Southerland has what is known as the strong phase; he will

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Desire to purchase, in Ardmore or Narberth, corner lot or lot facing end of street. Property must have frontage of about 200 feet. Submit offering, whether street is improved or not, but must be in a good neighborhood, nearby property somewhat developed and lot offered susceptible to development. Mail full description and price.  
**Joseph A. Aldinger**  
Manayunk P. O., Philadelphia

take his car 200 miles, go out at 3 in the morning into the wild waves of the ocean, pull an oar for three hours, and then bring into the boat big blue fish and bonita that would make your mouth water.  
Our old standby, William Cobie, will take any fish that comes to his net, or his hook; he likes flounders best, but will fish fresh or salt, wet or dry.  
Next year, talk it over with any of them and get pointers on surf casting, bass fishing, blue fish trolling, and the gentle art of bringing home to-morrow's breakfast.

**DR. THOMAS A. LAMBIE'S LECTURE**  
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it all, as when one poor woman, with wonderful faith in what the doctor could do, brought her dead baby to be restored to life. He told of a little boy, suffering from an eye trouble that required an operation, who kept saying that the doctor was

such a good man, his idea being to propitiate the doctor so that he would not hurt him.

Interesting lantern slides were shown, showing the natives in their weird costumes and dances, the huts in which they live, the wild character of the desert, and many other intimate glimpses of life among these strange, wild people. The best of it is, that many experience a real spiritual awakening, give up their heathen practices or the Mohammedan religion, and become true followers of Christ. And this reward is sufficient to these devoted men and women, that their work is not in vain, and that eventually a regenerated Africa will emerge from the darkness into the full glory and light of true Christianity.

**MEMBERS OF THE NARBERTH SCHOOL BOARD.**

President—C. Howard McCarter.  
Vice-President—Carroll Downes.  
Treasurer—Will K. Ridge.  
Thellwell R. Coggeshall.  
Robert H. Dothard.

**Christmas Decorations**  
*Trees, Wreaths, Holly, Mistletoe, Laurel, Crowfoot, Etc.*

We will be able to supply you with any and all the green decorations you desire. Big assortment to select from. Let us have your order early.

Fancy Fresh Killed Virginia Turkeys and Nearby Poultry—We are taking orders now at lowest market prices.  
All the Delicacies and Necessities for your Christmas Dinner and Holiday Festivities can be had from us.  
Mince Meat—Heinz Best Grade in cans, and our Best Rosedale Brand by the pound.  
Raisins, Currants, Citron, Sweet Cider, Dates, Figs, Nuts, etc., for your baking.  
The market on Butter has broken, and prices on Butter are tumbling down. We are featuring a New High Grade Butter this week which we guarantee to suit your taste. Our price while this lot lasts. . . . . 41c lb.  
Fancy Florida Oranges, \$20c doz.; Larger ones, 30c doz.  
Extra Fancy Grape Fruit—Indian River Fruit, which means finest flavor and overflowing with juice, 5c each.  
Don't forget, we handle everything to eat, but fresh meat, and we will include that after the Holidays.  
Fancy and Staple Groceries, Fruit and Vegetables, Butter and Eggs, Fish and Oysters, Fresh Killed Poultry, Smoked Meats, Sausage and Scrapple.  
FRESH BREAD MORNING & AFTERNOON

**The Imperial**  
**NARBERTH'S LEADING GROCERY**  
PHONE, 606



## "UNCLE PETER"



**U**NCLE PETER coughed apologetically, and sent a timid glance towards a large handsome woman who swept into the room.

The woman in question happened to be his wife, and it was Julia Mason's nature to enter a room as described, and not only that but to take entire possession of it. In fact, she predominated and filled it. No one else counted.

"My dear"—the words fell falteringly from the lips of her husband—"my dear, this is—er—your brother Peter come home."

From the bridge of a haughty, hook-like nose Mrs. Mason looked down on the intruder, and extended a chilly hand.

"I shouldn't have recognized you," she said, coldly, whilst running a disapproving eye over a shabby tweed suit.

"No?" laughed the owner of the suit, and rising, he greeted his sister with a hearty kiss. "Well, I suppose that's only natural, for I was a stripling when I left home, and now I weigh just over fifteen stone."

Mrs. Mason shuddered. The kiss had taken her by surprise, and she objected to such forms of salutation; then, the whole appearance and bearing of the man, his boisterous laughter, filled her with dismay. And his shabby clothes, too! Whatever would be the select circle of Waverley avenue, Suburbia, think if he were introduced as the brother of Mrs. James Mason?

Mrs. James Mason, whose afternoon teas were so popular, whose clothes, immaculately tailored and of the finest texture, were the envy of all, whose children were so infinitely superior in looks and bearing to other people's children—except of course, Letitia, the second girl, who had no repose of manner. But then, she had always favored her father, so what could one expect?

"Are you making a long stay?" inquired Mrs. Mason, as politely as though she were addressing the veriest stranger.

For the first time Peter Wright looked attentively at his sister, and a faint color crept under the healthy tan of his cheeks. From her he glanced sharply towards his brother-in-law, who coughed again apologetically.

"My dear," said the latter, nervously, "Peter tells me he has no very definite plans for the future, and—er—as a matter of fact, he wants us to take him in, and I've told him we shall be delighted."

Silence followed this communication, a silence that could be felt, whilst a look of frozen horror crept over Mrs. Mason's handsome features, the color fled from her cheeks, her nostrils dilated ominously, and her heart began to beat uncomfortably fast.

Her brother, quick to note the signs, and estimating them at their true value, dropped his gaze to his finger-nails and thought rapidly, whilst James Mason, glancing anxiously from one to the other, began to find the atmosphere a little too strained for his liking. He rose precipitately from his chair, mumbled a few incoherent words of excuse, and fled from the room. It was cowardly on his part, he knew, but he really could not remain longer to hear poor Peter snubbed, as snubbed he had not the slightest doubt he would be.

In rounding a bend in the corridor, he collided with his daughter, Letitia, and made a grab at her arm.

"Your Uncle Peter's in the drawing-room, Letty," he said, breathlessly. "Just go and help your mother entertain him, will you?"

Letty stared. She never remembered having heard of any "Uncle Peter," but she saw that her father looked bothered, and concluding that "mother must have been worrying him again," she nodded silently, and sped on her way. When she arrived at the drawing-room she found herself confronted by a big, jolly-looking man, with twinkling blue eyes and an immense shock of red brown hair. He was standing now with his back to the fireplace, talking to her mother, and from his towering height he sent the new-comer a friendly glance of inquiry. And the heart of Letty, who was a simple, unaffected girl of nineteen, went out to this man who, she knew it instinctively, was an unwelcome visitor in her mother's house. There was something irresistibly compelling, something winsomely attractive, about him that made her offer

not only a hand but her lips in greeting.

"You are Uncle Peter?" she smiled. Peter Wright nodded, and bent over the upturned face of his niece, whilst a warm glow stole into his heart. The touch of her soft red lips on his reminded him of the velvety petals of a rose. It was the first real welcome he had from his own kith and kin since setting foot in England.

"Yes, I'm Uncle Peter," he said, cheerily. "And your mother"—here he glanced quizzically towards his sister, who was sitting bolt upright on a stiff-backed chair—"your mother is taking pity on a poor, friendless man. In other words, my dear, I'm about to make my home with you—promtem."

Julia Mason shuddered again, and moistened her lips. She had been experiencing about the very worst quarter of an hour she had ever endured in the whole of her selfish, self-centred life. The arrival of this needy-looking brother had been a bolt from the blue that filled her with the wildest misgivings; but already her busy brain was scheming and plotting how best to rid herself of an incubus that speit danger to her social prestige in the neighborhood of Waverley avenue.

"We shall be pleased to accommodate you," she said, her lips moving stiffly and mechanically, "as long as our one available bedroom can be spared. I'm afraid that is the most I can offer you."

"Oh," returned the man, easily, "that will suit me very well—very kind of you to take me in at all, Julie, and as soon as you say the word I'll remove myself and my traps. In the meantime, it'll be nice to be in the bosom of one's family, so to speak."

Mrs. Mason glanced towards a shabby, travel-stained portmanteau that had been thrust unceremoniously on a velvet chair near the door.

"Is that all your luggage?" she inquired. "Or is there more coming on?"

Peter Wright's eyes twinkled; yet beneath his bonhomie and careless ease of manner there lurked an indefinable ache, a longing for something that had only been accorded him in the greeting of his niece Letitia. He could guess almost to a "T" what was passing in Julia's mind.

"It's enough for a single man," he returned, carelessly, "and especially for one who's been accustomed to roughing it."

Striding to the shabby portmanteau, he gripped it with a brawny hand.

"I've got a change, at any rate," he went on; "so if you, my dear"—glancing towards Letty—"will show me my room, I'll see what I can do to make myself more presentable."

II.  
"It's disgraceful, positively disgraceful! Here he's been staying with us for over a month, eating us out of house and home, always appearing in a room when he isn't wanted, parading his shabbiness before everyone who calls, making free with everything and everybody, choosing the most comfortable chairs to sit in, and actually smoking cigars—your cigars, mind you, whenever he has a chance. I've caught him on several occasions, and I know the scent of your particular brand, James, so there's no deceiving me."

James, inwardly nervous under this outburst from his better half, affected a jocularly and ease of manner he was far from feeling.

"Yes, my dear," he responded. "It's a cheap scent. I would willingly exchange it for a better one."

Mrs. Mason glared.

"You'll have to exchange it for a cheaper one still if this kind of thing continues," with prophetic calm. "In the meantime, you'd better put your cigars under lock and key."

The suggestion sent a faint color creeping into the little man's cheeks. In spite of the awe in which he stood of Julia, he was not altogether lacking in moral courage, and it went against the grain that she should so malign the absent Peter.

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**A PLACE  
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## CUB IN JOVIAL MOOD AS CHRISTMAS APPROACHES

To the Editor of Our Town.

Although Our Town has printed the famous letter from Virginia to the Sun, a repetition at this season will hardly be out of order:

Many Years Ago  
in the time of the famous Charles A. Dana, a little girl, Virginia O'Hanlon, wrote to the New York Sun and said that some of her friends had told her there was no Santa Claus and asked the Sun to please tell her if it was true.

In reply the newspaper printed the following editorial which has become a classic in the Christmas literature of the world:

Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist; and you know that they abound and give to our life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance, to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not; but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

No Santa Claus! Thank God! he lives, and he lies forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia; nay, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the hearts of children.

Lon Southerland was seen last week without his coat collar up.

Since "Bull Pine" Henderson got to looking over the fire exits at the school house we can feel that the children's safety is being looked after by an expert on lumber and fire-escapes.

Officer Hill, the local traffic squad, will be on the job every morning from 8 to 8.30 at the dangerous crossing leading from the post office to the mainland. This will protect school children against the dampools who run their machines up and down Haverford avenue as though there wasn't another soul on earth but themselves.

Even keen observers will find it difficult to discover fishing grounds within the borough limits, but just the same good fishing has been enjoyed right here. Have you ever noticed the fountain at the corner of Wayne and Narberth on the McKee domain? There are enough fish there—at least there were—to satisfy even the unsatiable demands of the Main Line Fishing Club. Sad to relate, however, some selfish fisherman has recently denuded the fountain of almost all the fish, but before another

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or a dozen pink, yellow or assorted roses for \$3.00. Six rose plants for \$1.50.

# A. E. Wohlert

## Montgomery Ave.

NARBERTH, PA.

season rolls around the U. S. Fisheries Commission is expected to restock the local waters. Of course Mr. McKee has not issued a general invitation to fishermen to indulge in their favorite pastime on his property, but in view of the high cost of beefsteak and tripe, he will, in his usual magnanimous way, let down the bars every Thursday to those who can stand a fish diet. No netting will be allowed, though.

At one time the Sheriff of New York County received no salary, but derived his compensation entirely from fees. These averaged \$75,000 a year. Even so there were not as many candidates for the job as there seem to be for that of Tax Collector of Narberth.

All right, if you want to be fussy about it, Ponce de Leon, I'll tell the printer you have a D in your name and that you spell it Burkhardt.

Here's hoping those good soldiers, our fellow townsmen, Rezo Brooks and Marion Cheney, will be home for Christmas. They have been down on the border ever since spring, watchfully waiting, and Narberth is proud of them.

News From Our Suburbs.  
Merion—Our jail is empty—so is our poor house.

Philadelphia—Jennie Jones, the horse doctor's gal, eloped with the owner of the local garage, Gasolene Gus.

Wynnewood—A horse was seen here the other day. Children were frightened, as they had never seen one before.

Wayne—A committee has been around to spend a few weeks in Narberth, consulting our base ball experts with a view to getting points on how to build up a winning team. Camden (via cable)—Campbell soups are going down.

"The Cub."

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If you want to live in the kind of a town

Like the kind of a town you like,  
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And start on a long, long hike.

You'll only find what you left behind,  
 For there's nothing really new.

It's a knock at yourself when you knock your town.

It isn't your town—it's you.

Real towns are not made by men afraid

When somebody else get ahead,  
 Before everyone works and nobody shirks

You can raise a town from the dead.

And if you can make your personal stake

Your neighbor can make one too,  
 Your town will be what you want to see,

It isn't your town—it's you.

**COMMON ERRORS TO BE AVOIDED IN PREPARING AND POSTING MAIL.**

Failing to put your own name and address on letters and packages.

Failing to place stamps on letters, or an insufficient amount.

Mailing letters without addressing them at all.

Leaving off the name of the State or putting on the name of your own State where some other is intended.

Leaving off the name of the post office or addressing the county instead of the town; sometimes leaving off the name of the person.

Sending currency by ordinary mail when a money order or registry can be secured at such a small cost.

Failing to put on regular postage in addition to special delivery stamp when special delivery is desired.

**OUR TOWN will gladly print any news item about any subject that is of interest to Narberth folks, but in order to meet the printing schedule, all "copy" manuscripts—must reach the editor by 6 P. M. Monday each week.**

**ORIGINAL POEMS BY NARBERTH FOLK**

**THE MAIDEN'S WONDER.**

'Twas winter—the rich gold sun  
 Shown through the trees from the distant horizon;

The blues and pinks, and lovely purples—  
 Radiant yellows—the orb encircles.

A maid on a rock, with eyes wide open;  
 Gazing with wonder at all this token

Of Heaven's great wisdom.  
 What did it mean—this beauty—  
 about her?

What could she learn of the myst'ry beyond?  
 But as she looked, a most wise finger pointed,

Saying, "Be content, and do thy best,  
 and wait!"

And so, like Omar, off the rock she hurried,  
 Whisp'ring, "The key—I cannot find the key!"

Ye Nations! Do arise, proclaim with one accord that peace on Earth must be decreed

By Christ as King;  
 Arise supreme in power divine  
 And all of human strength confine.

In all this vast confusing maze  
 To liberate the Race.

This message bring:  
 Ye mighty men arise and speak as one in all the voices heard,  
 From mountain crest to valley deep;  
 From Ocean swell and battlefield where Death its harvest reaps,  
 Ye waves be still!

We ask the Son of Man to reign in glorysheen.

Oh! toll ye bells on Earth! ring in the year of jubilee—at last;  
 The longing of the Nations fair  
 Now in despair—  
 Let innocence of Childhood sing—the bloom of youth and manhood strong,

Ye maiden voices sweet sing victors' song;

Ye mothers, fathers, sing with hold of sages old and prophets bold,  
 In sweet refrain—Sing all, oh sing!  
 Let Jesus Christ be King.

Arise ye giants gaunt who loved and fought,  
 Who liberty to mankind brought;  
 Speak now as messengers from heavens realm,  
 Behold the King of Kings is at the Helm.

G. T. Knutzen.

**THE STUDIO TEA**

Given by Mrs. Norman Jefferies  
 An Artistic Achievement

Those who were fortunate enough to attend the tea on Monday afternoon, December 5th, given by Mrs. Jefferies, Miss Louise Cafferty and Miss Hilda Jefferies, will agree with an admiring neighbor that it stood alone unsurpassed by any they had attended, be they ever so critical.

The bewitching studio—flickering in glowing, candle-light—fascinated one with its endless array of delicate and gay tokens of handicraft of every variety and time passed only too quickly. Together with the numbers attending, there must have been between four and five hundred, making it utterly impossible to see and appreciate the choice things so delightfully placed everywhere about one.

Those assisting were: Miss Marjorie Jefferies, Miss Renee Barrie, Miss Helen Wingate, Miss Stephanie Balderston, Miss Evelyn Harris, Mrs. W. W. Jefferies, of New York; Mrs. Frank Bell, Mrs. Henry Holtz, Miss Marizita Naylor, Miss Hamer, Mrs. Wm. Stuart, Madam Behenna, a noted English portrait painter, whom we trust will give some instruction at the studio to some of us townspeople.

Tea was served at the house, itself a veritable gem.

One's inclination was to carry off not only the enchanting studio, but the house, garden, hostess and everything.

Someone has said: "Let us live well, simply, economically, healthful and artistically." Surely, our hostess believes all of this.

We Narberthians are charmed to know that the studio is to remain a permanent shop where we may drop in at any time and I assure those who have not already done so, a treat awaits them.

We welcome it not only because it



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may mean the saving of numerous tramps to town, but the acquirement of many individual things, the possibilities of its influence artistically and otherwise upon our own little homes.

This interesting rejoice of inspiring youth can certainly be found in the possession of so rare a personality as the Lady Jefferies.

Among those present at the studio tea were: Mrs. Friston Du Marias, Mrs. Walter Dothard, Mrs. Maddox, Mrs. Olean Whedon, Mrs. Harry Jacobs, Dr. and Mrs. R. Hoffman, Miss Grace Haight, Mrs. Paul Loos, Mrs. F. H. Harjes, Jr., Mrs. William P. Brawn, Mrs. George H. Borst, Mrs. George Barrie, Miss Renee Barrie, Mrs. Charles Bender, Mrs. Margaret Burr, Mrs. H. R. Hillegas, Mrs. John Colgan, Miss Blanche Dillaye, Mrs. Clarence Faries, Mrs. William T. Harris, Mrs. Henry Hotz, Mrs. W. W. Jefferies, of New Jersey; Mrs. Fletcher Stites, Mrs. C. H. Stewart, Mrs. Norman Uhler, Mrs. G. W. Wagner, Miss Katherine Brownell, Mrs. D. Eloise Brownell, Mrs. Nellie Cafferty, Mrs. K. A. Behenna, Mrs. Charles Wheeler, Mrs. O. J. Snyder, Mrs. Kenneth Loder, Mrs. Arthur S. Minster, Miss Rachel Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. William Melchoir and Miss W. Melchoir, Mrs. Francis J. Kelly, Miss Mary Lee Kinkade, Mrs. C. G. Koppel, Mrs. W. J. Price, Mr. S. W. Pulaski, Mrs. Frederick Petry, Miss Katherine Quinn, Mrs. Alexander Rea, Mrs. George B. Roberts, Mrs. Samuel Rea, Mrs. A. C. Warner, Mrs. Shaud, Mrs. W. L. Cooper, Miss Ann Cooper.

Private correspondence as well as that for business purposes should be marked showing to where it should be returned, if undelivered at post office of address. If this precautionary measure could be generally observed it would greatly assist post office officials in the handling of mail matter.

**Addressing Parcel Post Packages.**

Parcel post packages should be addressed plainly. The sender's name should be written inconspicuously on the upper left hand corner of the parcel. The address and return card on a parcel should appear but once, and that in the same relative position as a letter with return card would be prepared for mailing.

**MINSTREL SHOW AND DANCE.**

On Friday evening, January 5, the Delta Sigma Sorority will give a minstrel show and dance.  
 Look later for further particulars.

**WHAT THE POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT HAS DONE AND IS DOING FOR THE RURAL AND FARMING POPULATION.**

The United States parcel post is handling approximately 1,100,000,000 parcels a year, or over 90,000,000 a month. It is the largest express service in the world. It is impossible to state the proportion of this business which is distinctly rural. It is undoubtedly true, however, that the chief function of the Government's express service has proved to be agricultural. That is, the Government is the principal express carrier now operating between city and country and vice versa. The bulk of the parcel post business is of this nature, whereas the bulk of the business of the private express companies passes between city and city.

The growth of the parcel post as a medium of exchange between city and country has raised questions which are now more or less bitterly in controversy. Retailing organizations of the city have attacked the farm-to-table feature of the parcel service which involves direct exchange by Government express of farm products between the rural producer and the urban consumer. A second and larger controversy has to do with the effect of the development of mail order business upon the country merchant.

Does the farmer want his new express facilities—which he did not have before—taken away? Is he not better off now than he was before? Is he not brought into closer relations, into almost direct touch, with city life? Has the farmer not been drawn into closer association with the entire social and business fabric of our country? And does this not make for the intelligent development of the farmer, and also make the conditions surrounding life on the farm more interesting and attractive? All these questions are applied from the purely business one of whether the parcel post tends to make the things which the farmer must buy cheaper, and to expand and improve the market for the things which he sells. Undoubtedly the parcel post does do both these latter things.

And the country farmer is not the only gainer because of the parcel post. The country merchant is offered new facilities, too, which may more than offset the business secured by the mail order houses of the large cities.

Because of the parcel post he is enabled to handle merchandise heretofore out of his reach, and naturally the scope of his people to whom he

can naturally sell is greatly enlarged.

In many sections farmers within second zone distance of large cities have demonstrated that the farm-to-table selling by parcel post is a huge success. In a number of cities from three to five hundred packages of farm produce are passing through the post offices daily. The new service has gained a foothold, and its expansion into genuine economic proportions is assured.

The following letter addressed by a farmer to former Postmaster Praeger, of Washington, D. C., reflects the attitude of practically every farmer toward the parcel post:

"To my mind nothing has ever been inaugurated in America which will tend to make the farmer more content to stay on the farm than the establishing of the parcel post method of disposing of his products. It gives him business practice. It gives him the feeling of doing a mail order business. He finds much more satisfaction and pleasure in preparing his produce for real appreciative human beings first hand as against a sort of commission machine into which his produce, no matter how painstakingly it has been prepared, is dumped. It also brings rural dwellers into close communion with the envied city residents. It gives him the feeling that his efforts are appreciated, and creates a high incentive to produce the best possible articles, and thus win the confidence of his patrons."

**THE COMING MUSICAL**

A musical has been arranged for January 18th, under the direction of Miss Gertrude H. Wright, soprano, assisted by Mr. Piotr Wizla, distinguished baritone; Mrs. B. Franklin Armitage, reader, and Mr. Henry Lukens at the piano. To be held in Elm Hall, Narberth, Pa. Dancing will follow the musical.

**INDEMNITY FOR PARTIAL DAMAGE TO REGISTERED, INSURED AND C. O. D. MAIL.**

Heretofore the payment of indemnity by the Post Office Department has been restricted to irreparably damaged articles or partitions issued. Under the amended regulations issued by Postmaster General Burleson, effective August 8, 1916, payments will be made in cases where articles are not rendered worthless for the actual, usual, direct and necessary cost of repairs required to place them in a serviceable condition.



**News of the Churches**

**MERION MEETING HOUSE.**

Merion Meeting House is opened for worship every First-day at 11 A. M. Visitors are cordially welcome. A registry book is kept for visitors. All are asked to register their names.

**ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH.**

Early Mass on Sunday from April 1st to October 31st at 6.30 A. M. From November 1st to March 31st at 7 A. M. Late Mass, 9.30 A. M. throughout the year. Masses on holydays, 6.30 and 8.30 A. M. Weekdays at 8. Evening devotions and other services at regular times.

**THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.**

Rev. John Van Ness, Minister.

Next Sunday meetings are as follows:  
10.00 A. M.—Sunday School; all departments.  
11.00 A. M.—Public worship. The pastor will preach on the theme, "Out of the Ivory Palaces" The beautiful new Gospel song with the same title will be sung at the close of the sermon.

7.00 P. M.—Christian Endeavor meeting. The meeting last Sunday evening was one of the best ever held. All young people are invited.  
8.00 P. M.—Evening worship. Sermon theme, "The New Jerusalem."

**Church Notes.**

The newly organized Westminster Circle will meet on Thursday evening of this week at the home of the president, Mrs. Sterrett, 332 Woodbine avenue.

A pleasant afternoon for the babies of the congregation being arranged by Mrs. R. L. Beatty, the superintendent of the Cradle Roll for Thursday of this week from 2.30 to 4.00 o'clock at the church. All children under four years of age and their mothers are invited.

The Pastor's Bible class will have a social meeting at the home of Mrs. Wm. T. Melchior, 112 Grayling avenue, on next Friday afternoon, December 15, at 3 o'clock.

The quartet is rehearsing for the Christmas music which will be sung Sunday, December 24.

**EVANGEL BAPTIST CHURCH.**

Rev. John Gordon, D. D., Acting Pastor

**Sunday services:**

9.45 A. M.—Bible School. Classes for all ages. Men's and Women's Bible class led by Dr. Gordon. Everybody welcome.

11.00 A. M.—Morning worship. Subject, "Gideon's Call," Judge 6:14.

7.00 P. M.—Young People's meeting in charge Group No. 3, Lawrence Houston, leader.

7.45 P. M.—Evening worship. Subject, "Whatsoever."

Wednesday, December 13, 8.00 P. M.—Prayer and praise meeting led by Dr. Gordon. Subject, "Revivals." Remember our motto, "Every member present at the prayer meeting." Do not fail to attend and come prepared to take part and pray for the evangelistic meetings soon to be held.

7.15 P. M.—Union meeting at the Y. M. C. A. Pray for the revival meetings soon to be held in Narberth. Do not fail to attend.

Friday, December 15, 8.00 P. M.—Ladies' Aid Society "At Home" in the Bible School room. Members of the church and congregation cordially invited. Entertainment and refreshments.

Monday, December 18, 8.00 P. M.—The Ushers' Association will meet at the home of W. S. Horner, 303 North Narberth avenue. Mr. E. C. Von Helfenstein will speak on "Who Discovered America."

Tuesday, December 19, 2.30 P. M.—The Woman's Mission Circle will meet at the home of Mrs. W. S. Horner. Subject, "Home Missions."

**METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.**

The Little Church on the Hill.

Rev. C. G. Koppel, Pastor.

Sunday, December 17.

Morning service, 11 o'clock. Sermon subject, "The Story of the Man Who Prayed and Moved the Arm of God."

Evening service, 7.45 o'clock. Sermon by the pastor.

Singing by the chorus choir at both services. Musical director, Miss Ruth Prescott; organist, Miss Achsaht Wentz.

Sunday school, 9.45 o'clock. Rehearsal of Christmas music.

Epworth League, 7 o'clock. Interestin young people's meeting.

Prayer meeting, 8 o'clock Wednesday evening. The pastor in charge. Subject, "Preparing Ourselves for the Union Evangelistic Campaign."

**Sunday School Work.**  
The school continues to grow. One new teacher was added to the staff last Sunday. There are now fifteen teachers with every class graded according to age and ability. The literature for the new year is divided into six grades. Parents are asked to cooperate with the teachers in examining and assisting the children with the lessons.

**Christmas Music.**  
"The Story of Bethlehem," by Spence, a beautiful cantata will be sung by the chorus choir Christmas Eve., Sunday, the 24th. Miss Prescott has recently added two trained singers to the choir and will have the assistance of Mr. Bub, of the Philadelphia Operatic Society, and several others for the cantata. The chorus has given several fine musicals, but this promises to be the finest piece of chorus choir singing of the year.

The choir will also sing several selections at the morning church service when the pastor will preach the Christmas sermon. "The Word Fulfilled" (Clark), is the program of music and Christmas exercises which is to be given by the school at the regular morning session. The Honorable Fletcher W. Stites, the school chorister, conducts the singing.

Christmas decorations of beauty and good taste will feature the services. Miss Ward is the committee.

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**DOING FOR OTHERS**

The second meeting of women interested in sewing for the sufferers in the war zone, was held on Monday, December 5, at the residence of Mrs. David D. Stickney.

There were present Mrs. Carl Greyer, Mrs. John F. Smith, Mrs. Harry Hartley, Mrs. Clarence Smith, Mrs. J. F. Roberts, Mrs. Eugene Hurth, Mrs. Triston Du Marias, Mrs. M. I. French, Mrs. Arthur Chalker, Mrs. Carl Mattison and Mrs. D. D. Stickney.

The afternoon was devoted to finishing all materials cut, preparatory to the packing of the Christmas hamper.

In the issue of Our Town, November 27, we stated our goal, i. e.: One thousand pieces by the middle of December, but our call for volunteers met with such a magnificent response, and we were accorded such a willing "certainly" from all whom we approached with home work, that our hopes have been more than realized.

The hamper will be packed some time during the coming week and will contain: 400 slings; 1170 sponges; 6 knitted wash rags; 10 packs, 16x16 inches; 360 packs, 8x8 inches; 10 packs, 5x26 inches; 110 abdominal dressings, 29x36 inches; 6 knitted scarfs; 7 pillows for broken arms; 31 bandages. A total of 2110 articles of relief or 1110 pieces more than we had hoped to accomplish. It is needless to say that these figures have made us radiantly happy, and certainly prove conclusively that every stitch counts.

In view of the approaching Christmas season with its necessary duties and pleasures we have deemed it wise to discontinue our sewing on Mondays until after the holidays, though all interested have taken a generous supply of work to be accomplished at home.

Unless something unforeseen should happen our next meeting will be held on Monday, January 8, 1917, at the residence of Mrs. Clarence Smith, 215 Wayne avenue, when everyone interested in this commendable work will be welcome.

**FOREIGN MAIL SERVICE.**

During the twelve months prior to June 30th, 1916, Uncle Sam's foreign mail service carried 2,500,000 pounds of letters and 23,500,000 pounds of other mail matter—which shows that the people across the seas still communicate with each other despite the war.

In sending a foreign letter one should make certain that he has affixed the proper amount of postage, for all international letters are forwarded, even though they do not bear sufficient postage and double the shortage is collected from the addressee. Foreign rates are five cents for the first ounce, three cents for the second ounce or fraction thereof, etc.

By special convention the English and German rates were two cents, but the German are now special. The rate from New Zealand to the United States was two cents; but from the United States to New Zealand it was five cents until October 14 last, when by convention the rate was fixed at two cents either way.

Special delivery stamps on foreign mail may expedite the collection and delivery of letters to the foreign mail department of the service; but they have no effect on delivery of the letters abroad, as there is no provision in the conventions for such service in Europe.

Patrons are requested to forward foreign mail for the holiday season earlier than usual, for while letters will be delivered abroad, barring the impossible and confiscation by the censor, it cannot be done with the speed and ease assured in times of peace.

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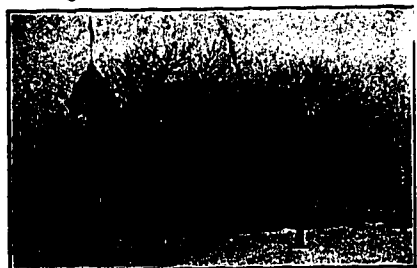
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**SCHOOL NOTES**



The Annual Christmas Carol Service will this year be held in the Public School Auditorium, Thursday evening, December 21, at 8.00 o'clock. This is the second annual community carol service. Last year the school children began the splendid custom. No Christmas activities are more significant than the "Old Carols," old and young enjoy them. The simplicity yet grandeur appeals to everybody who is in the thralls of the Christmas spirit.

The carol service this year as last will consist only of singing; the program will take about an hour.

The school Christmas exercises will be held on Friday, December 22, from 8.45 A. M. to 9.50 A. M. The program will consist of selections by the children of the lower grades and two short addresses by members of the Board of Education. This type of program is a deviation from that heretofore rendered; but the little tots are always bound to delight the audience, and the directors always give something fully worth while.

State High School Inspector C. D. Kock, of Harrisburg, spent Wednesday forenoon in our High School.

A fire drill given on Wednesday afternoon in the presence of a State Inspector of Public Safety was pronounced exceptionally satisfactory by him.

Monthly reports were given out on last Friday.

The Senior Department of the Literary Society will render its regular program as scheduled, this Friday, at 12.30 P. M. The theme will be "Christmas."

Pupils of all grades are interested in making "record-breaking" attendance records. Due to infantile paralysis the year started under very adverse conditions, but great stress is being placed upon the importance of "making up" time lost. Fifth Grade this week submits the following through its grade reporter:

The following pupils of the Fifth Grade were neither absent nor tardy since school opened on September 29: Howard Cotter, Joseph D'Alonzo, Frank Hamer, Faith McAuliffe, May Banfield.

The following additional pupils were neither late nor absent during the month ending December 1: Arthur Crumen, Calvin Fritsch, Wm. Funk, Edwin Gilfillan, Thomas Manning, Joseph Prager, Robert Savill, Clinton Shaw, Elwood Speakman, Ella Dothard, Mabel Fritsch.

**Narberth H. S. Basket Ball.**

Yes, we lost to Doylestown, but not without a stiff fight. Our opponents knew they had to play ball from start to finish to beat our boys. Although the Doylestown floor was exceptionally big, the game was rough, because the referee failed to catch many fouls on both teams. Time after time Bill Durbin would dribble the ball down to the opponents' goal with the whole Doylestown team striving to stop him. Time after time our boys would work the ball down to the other side's basket, and shoot one, two three times, only to miss the goal.

One of the most amusing events of the game took place when John Dickie played "Billie Goat" and bucked a Doylestown player half way down the floor.

Like most teams we have an "alibi" for losing. We couldn't make the basket because they were extended twelve inches from the bank board, while ours are six inches. This accounts for our poor showing.

However, we had a good time and the game was exciting from start to finish. The final score was 20 to 10 in the opponents' favor. We were represented in the first half by Leslie Smith, Ross Howenstein, forwards; Bill Durbin, center, and Fred Harsch and Perry Redifer, guards; in the second half Dick Compton and John Dickie took Perry Redifer's and Ross Howenstein's positions.

We are busy again drilling for our

next battle with Germantown Friends' School, on Friday, December 16, on the latter's floor. Let us hope for better luck this time.

**FUTURE OF MUSIC IN AMERICA**

As Seen by Maestro Arturo Papalardo, the Well-Known Specialist in the Teaching of Voice and Repertoire

It appears to be that the male half of the American population refuses to take music seriously. Music is regarded by American men as an art only, not a practical profession. They consider it wonderful and beautiful but not to be thought of in the light of a paying occupation for their sons. To be sure they allow their daughters to "take lessons" and are even proud when the daughter of the house shows some musical talent. But she must use it merely to entertain. She is discouraged from making music a career.

It has often been remarked that women are the chief backers of things musical in this country. But because of the attitude of the men, the women have been discouraged in their attempts to give music here the high place which it holds on the continent. Consequently America, though it has many dabblers in the art, has permitted its wonderful field of talent to lie fallow.

There is an important reason for this condition. Europeans are no more musical than Americans, but the governments abroad encourage music as a profession. Here you have large universities and colleges partially or entirely supported by the government and you have public manual training and commercial schools, which educate your boys and girls along whatever line their talents may suggest, save that of music.

Boys may learn to be lawyers or doctors, or they may go to engineering and agricultural schools, but where is there a government supported conservatory? True there are plenty of private musical academies, but these are not standardized, nor do they give an all round musical education. Because of this fact, orchestras are not composed of native talent, and your prominent musicians are not Americans but Europeans. Consequently, your American young men or young women who cannot compete with the splendidly trained musicians from abroad cannot make a living with their music.

Now is the time, when the war is devastating Europe of its musicians, to build up government conservatories here. There are many musicians now in this country or who will come to this country, who would take positions in the conservatories and develop the talent which is here. Then in another generation America would have its native born composers, its teachers and its all round musicians who could carry on the work of making America a real musical center. Instead of sending your young people to Italy or Germany, foreign musicians would come here. And the music which would be developed would be the greatest the world has ever known.

Here is an item of interest tucked away in an inconspicuous place which has been looked for by those interested, for many months, indicating a movement which is possible to be as far-reaching in its effect as anything ever known in Narberth. At a meeting of representatives of the Baptist, Methodist and Presbyterian churches held last Sunday afternoon it was the unanimous decision of those present that the time is opportune to mature plans for the holding of evangelistic services in the churches as soon as can be arranged for after the holiday season and in order to give the matter definite shape, several committees were appointed. Items showing the progress of the work of these committees will be noted from week to week in these columns. Those interested should watch for them.

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**FIRESIDE.**

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every department, having been a member of Council for nine years. Don't forget the "at home" to be held in the church parlor by the Ladies' Aid Society of the Baptist Church of the Evangel on Friday evening, December 15th, at 8 o'clock. Entertainment. Refreshments served. Voluntary contribution.

Incoming parcel post packages will be delivered from the Arcade sub-post office during the holidays.

Narberth Assembly dance Friday evening, December 15th.

Mr. John Caldwell is smiling more than ever. The cause: Another little girl in the family.

Hilda Smedley and Marion Haws will return to Narberth from college on Friday to spend the Christmas holidays.

The younger set are planning a very joyous week between Christmas and New Year's to welcome home all of our college boys and girls.

The Chi Pi Sorority will give a dance on the 26th; the Delta Sigma a dance on the 29th.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Nickerson have returned home, after a visit to Cotuit, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Coleman, of Sabine avenue, entertained friends over the week's end.

Mr. and Mrs. Addine K. Siler and son have returned from visiting friends in Merchantville, N. J.

The Narberth Fortnightly Club met at the home of Miss Bird Roberts, Forrest avenue, Friday afternoon. "Panama" was the subject of discussion, which was led by Mrs. H. W. Schuroth. Those present included Mrs. R. E. Plank, Mrs. A. Perry Redifer, Mrs. E. Lincoln Jacoby, Mrs. Walter Smith, Mrs. E. Otlee Jackson, Mrs. Augustus Loos, Mrs. Frederick Harjes, Jr., Mrs. John Van Ness, Mrs. John Gilroy, Mrs. John Anderson, Miss Anna MacKeag, Miss Cornelia Woodle and Miss Barbara Shand.

Mrs. William Bally Goodall, of Dudley avenue, Narberth, entertained at luncheon and bridge Friday, the guests being the members of her bridge club, including Mrs. William Claghorn, Mrs. H. G. Polhemus, Mrs. William S. Maddox, Mrs. Romaine C. Hoffman, Mrs. R. J. Mullen, Mrs. T. J. S. Bradley and Mrs. Frederick W. Lineaweaver.

Dick Wallace, Bill Matchett and other former University of Pennsylvania basketball players, make up the Walnut A. C. line-up.

Ruth E. Prescott gave a line of show for Miss Esther A. Haws, of Tioga, formerly of Narberth. There were about twenty-five present, including: Miss Maude Wipf, Miss Alice Green, Miss Mary McCarter, Miss Lillian McCarty, Miss Josephine Eberbach, Miss Flora Appeldorn, Miss Cora Thomson, Miss Linda Jacoby, Miss Ethel Ridge, Miss Florence Jacoby, Miss Edna Selfridge, Miss Achsah Wentz, Miss May Hackett, Miss Viola Graham, Miss Mildred Scott, Miss Jane Bickel, Mrs. R. C. Jones, Mrs. H. P. Moore, Mrs. Harry Hartley, Mrs. Percival Byers, Mrs. Frank Hudnut, Mrs. Benjamin Ferguson, Mrs. Bertine Simpson, Mrs. Samuel Read.

Miss Haws' engagement was announced about a week ago by her sister, Mrs. Percival Byers, of Tioga, to Mr. Emil Cutler, of Maryland. They expect to be married the latter part of January.

Miss Achsah Wentz will entertain her sorority, the Kappa Sigma Phi, at her home on Wayne avenue this Friday, December 15.

We are glad to learn that Mrs. Frank H. Prescott is able to be about with the aid of crutches. About six weeks ago she slipped and broke her ankle, but it is now gradually mending.

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NARBERTH Y. M. C. A.

**MEET THE NEW SECRETARY**

Of the Y. M. C. A. Friday Night

The Board of Directors of the Narberth Y. M. C. A. have procured the services of Mr. Schaffer, of Germantown, as secretary of that organization, to succeed Mr. O. L. Hampton, who resigned November 30. Every man in Narberth is requested to be present, as an interesting meeting will be held, at which time Secretary Schaffer will set forth his views as to what course he expects to pursue in order to make the association the most popular place in our borough. You do not have to be a member to attend Friday evening's meeting.

A meeting of the Board of Directors and Board of Managers was held last Thursday evening. Mr. Charles W. Schaffer, of Germantown, was elected secretary. Mr. Schaffer entered upon his duties Monday. He comes to us well equipped, having had considerable experience in Y. M. C. A. work. We can expect new life in the various activities. We all extend him our best wishes. The building will again be open during the day.

**MAIN LINE RIFLE CLUB MERGER TALK**

Consolidation of the Main Line Rifle Club with the Pennsylvania Rifle Club was discussed this week at a meeting of the Main Line organization. A committee was appointed to represent the club in negotiations with the larger body.

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**AN EXPERIMENT**

To the Editor of Our Town. I am contemplating trying an experiment from my Florida plantation to see what can be done in the direct shipment of vegetables from Florida directly to the residence of the consumer.

There will not be very many shipments made this coming season, probably only fifteen or twenty, but it will be sufficient to determine what can be done.

Each shipment will consist of about seven varieties of vegetables and will have a bulk of more than twelve quarts. The same things will not always be shipped, but each shipment will be slightly different from the preceding one.

I will make a price for the sake of the experiment, of \$1 per shipment, and as no one shall have to pay for them until they arrive, I do not think that my constituents will be taking any chance at all, but I know that they will be receiving these vegetables at one-half or less than they would have to pay for them otherwise.

I am asking that persons willing to co-operate with me sign a contract to receive these vegetables, for unless I know just where to ship them I could not possibly get the packages to them at this price.

On account of the delivery I am only receiving contracts from persons living on the Main Line at Narberth and two stations each way. As time is very limited I shall not accept any contracts which do not reach me by the 20th of December.

Copies of this contract containing a list of the vegetables may be secured by addressing me at 40 Greenfield avenue, Ardmore, Pa.

Yours truly,  
Saylor Pendleton.

The clergyman's little boy was spending an afternoon with the bishop's children.

"At the rectory," he said, "we've got a hen that lays an egg every day." "Pooh!" said Master Bishop, "my father lays a foundation-stone once a week."



UNCLE PETER.

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"He never helps himself," he blurted out. "In fact"—with sudden desperation—"I—sometimes make him a present of a cigar."

For a full minute words failed Mrs. Mason. At the end of that time she had so far gathered herself together as to be able to give her unlucky spouse the full benefit of her opinion of his misguided generosity. For the matter of ten minutes or so she held forth, whilst James listened miserably and wondered—not for the first time since his marriage—why he had ever been born.

"But what's the good of talking?" she shrugged, in conclusion. "You'll never be any better; you're nothing but a good-natured imbecile who showers benefits on comparative strangers and lets your own family suffer. And Letty's just as bad. The fuss she makes of Peter is positively sickening! And it isn't as though he could benefit her in any way or help her to marry Robert. There'd be some sense in her conduct then. As it is, she wastes her time by waiting on him hand and foot, and she doesn't even object to going out with him in those shabby clothes. As a matter of fact, I believe they're out together now."

Which assertion was perfectly true. At the precise moment when poor James Mason was doing his best to edge out of the room as a preliminary to fleeing the house until Julia's wrath should have subsided, Peter Wright was walking down a certain street in the West-end of London in all the glory of his offending clothes with pretty Letty Mason by his side.

These walks with Letty were a continual source of joy to a man who—although no one would ever have guessed it—was suffering from heart hunger; and it was during their daily jaunts together that Peter got to know all the longings and aspirations, the ambitions and dreams, of a young girl who was engaged to the "best fellow in the world," but couldn't marry him because of the want of that very necessary article—money.

The natures of uncle and niece formed a complement one to the other: the man, of a naturally buoyant and optimistic turn, with a passionate desire to be loved for his own sake, found in the girl a quickness of sympathy, a ready understanding, and unspoken affection that touched him deeply. The girl discovered in her uncle a responsive echo to all her girlish imaginings; he entered into her dream-plans for the future with an enthusiasm and joie de vivre that made them materialize and seem almost real. It was a joy to confide in him how she would like this or that or the other when she married young Robert Merlow, who was only a poorly-paid Government clerk, but who was going to work "prodigious wonders" for her sake. When that time came she would have a "nice little house in a nice London suburb"—Chiswick for preference, she thought; and after that would follow a womanly description of color schemes and table decorations, of wonderful frilly cushions and knick-knacks, that were to be fashioned by her own dainty fingers. In imagination she saw it all—that delighted home whose four walls were to hold the most deliciously happy couple in Christendom. Over and over again she furnished it from garret to cellar to her complete satisfaction, and to Uncle Peter's sympathetic nods of approval and delight; but the most important room in the house was to be Bob's study—his particular den where he and she would sit together in the firelight and talk about their happiness and their love, and of more precious things the future might have in store for them. Only these last thoughts Letty kept locked in her own bosom—they were too sacred to discuss even with Uncle Peter—they could only be breathed, sitting in the firelight with Bob in his sanctum.

On this particular November morning when passing a certain shop, Peter thrust a hand through Letty's arm and drew her towards it. They knew it well by sight. It was a large furniture emporium, and always there was something fresh and novel to delight the eye.

Letty caught her breath in admiration. "How perfect for a drawing-room!" she cried, ecstatically, as her eyes greedily absorbed the contents of the window.

"That is the only room we haven't furnished to our satisfaction, isn't it?"

twinkled Uncle Peter, and squeezed her arm sympathetically as he watched her eyes grow large and bright with—no, not envy, that was not a part of Letty's composition—but with something akin to what one sees in the eyes of a child when viewing a dolls' house altogether beyond her dreams of possession.

"Would you like your drawing-room to be liked that?" he asked, softly.

And Letty, who had poignant memories of childish longing for a real dolls' house before Waverley avenue had loomed on the horizon of the Masons, and of how in default she had constructed wonderful edifices with books on a tablet set against the wall, sighed again with appreciative longing.

She had been wont to sigh in like manner in those far-off days when pressing her nose against the window of a certain gorgeous toy-ship that held a wonderful dolls' house, the inhabitants of which she had viewed with wonder and delight.

She turned from the window with a sweet, tremulous laugh.

"Would I like my drawing-room like that?" she echoed, with a little catch in her breath. "Why, of course I should, and I'm going to pretend it's mine already, like the rest of the rooms we've talked about. Do you know, Uncle Peter, I think it's just lovely pretending, don't you? And oh! wasn't that room a perfect dream of delight? Just the shades of mauve and grey with delicate touches of blue and rose that I described to you—don't you remember?"

Did he remember!

Was there anything he had forgotten that she had mentioned? Anything he had omitted to jot down in his diary at night about the wonderful doings and sayings of his charming niece Letitia?

They walked briskly to the end of the thoroughfare, hailed a passing bus and, climbing to the top, turned their faces reluctantly towards Suburbia. There was a delightful "ping" in the air that spoke of winter's rapid approach; the wind whipped their faces and tossed Letty's hair to a state of charming confusion, sending a lovelier color to her cheeks, a brighter sparkle to her eyes, making her look bewitchingly pretty. At least so thought a young man who, catching sight of her in passing, immediately boarded the bus and, mounting the steps, seated himself with an air of proprietorship by her side.

The color in the girl's cheeks deepened to a rich carmine.

"Oh, Bob!" she cried. "How you startled me!"

"Uncle Peter, leaning across, gripped the young man heartily by the hand and, after a swift glance at Letty, lowered his left eyelid by the infinitesimal fraction of an inch.

"We're just going home," he said, "after a strenuous afternoon's shopping."

"In make-believe land," supplemented Letty, with a gay little laugh; and forthwith gave the interested Bob a vivid description of the most wonderful drawing-room any woman in her senses could ever dream of possessing!

And whilst the two lovers talked together Uncle Peter leant back and fell into a train of thought that made him utterly oblivious to all that was passing around him. Indeed, so engrossed did he become that it was only by an effort he could drag himself back to actualities with the stopping of the motor-bus, when he became subconsciously aware that Letty was telling him she was as hungry as a hunter.

He glanced at her with the dazed look of one whose mind is still in a state of detachment.

"It's Christmas time in a month," he said, as he rose from his seat and prepared to follow her down the steps. "What a pity," he whispered in her ear, "but that you two could have started life together with the New Year."

Letty blushed. To her the suggestion sounded irrelevant following on her recent remark, but it wasn't really. It was simply a continuation of Uncle Peter's line of thought.

III.

On the afternoon of what proved to be a gloriously seasonable Christmas Eve, Letty Mason was standing by the drawing-room window idly watching the passers by in Waverley avenue. A keen frost prevailed; pendant icicles from the trees and overhanging eaves sparkled under the last rays of a declining sun; the pavements, crisp and frost-rimed, shone like glittering powdered glass. The bell of a muffled man in the distance clanged invitingly through the sharp, clear air; a

hand-cart laden with holly and mistletoe pushed by a cheery-looking red-nosed boy made the girl's heart leap responsively. How nice and Christmassy it looked, she mused, whilst thinking what a pity it was that her mother made all Christmas decorations taboo, as creating unnecessary dust and added labor for her servants!

"Why—it's stopping here!" she cried, as the boy came to a standstill before the gate of the Masons' residence. "And—why, mother!—here's Uncle Peter in a new suit!"

Mrs. Mason, who had been sitting over the fire with a book, half-rose from her chair, but sank back again with a weary frown when a jolly, boisterous laugh rang through the hall.

A second later the door was flung open and Peter Wright, who had been mysteriously absent ever since eight o'clock that morning and during the whole of the preceding day, strode into the room.

"I should like to take Letty out for a couple of hours, if you can spare her; there'll be a taxi here in ten minutes," he said, addressing his sister. "And, by the by, I've got a boy here taking some holly and mistletoe to the back, so when we get in we'll do a bit of decorating, eh?" with a twinkle towards Letty, "just to remind us that it is Christmas, you know."

Mrs. Mason eyed her brother from top to toe. A close observer of the fashions—of the opposite sex as well as her own—experience told her that he was clad in the very latest and smartest sample of a Harris tweed.

"Have you come into a fortune?" she asked, icily.

"No," he laughed. "I haven't, and no one's likely to leave me one, either; but about those decorations—"

"Most inappropriate," interposed Mrs. Mason, hastily.

Her brother stared.

"You think so?" he queried, and a curious light crept into his eyes.

"Well, I don't."

Here Peter paused for a second and, ruffling his hair, turned very red.

"I'm not," he went on, haltingly, "by way of being religious, but—well—you know, isn't Christmas in honor of the Christ Child—the Saviour of mankind—the Man of Sorrows? Is He"—warming to his subject—"to be ignored. Then—what about the children? You've some of your own, Julia, who are still youngsters. Are they, too, to be deprived of what is to them the greatest happening in the whole year? I say no!" with rising vehemence. "Let them be happy whilst they can, and celebrate Christmas in the good old-fashioned way. It's different with us older folk; we can't enter into the Spirit of Christmas—it would be against all human nature to expect it—as we could have done years ago; but we can help the youngsters to enjoy it, and," lowering his voice reverently, "we can, in our hearts, give honor to the Christ Child, and pray to Him."

An hour later Uncle Peter was assisting Letty to alight from a delightfully roomy any comfortable taxi, and requesting the chauffeur to wait.

"This is River's View, Chiswick," he said to the former as he unlatched a gate leading to a charmingly situated bungalow overlooking the river.

Letty followed her uncle up the short drive. A dozen questions were trembling on her lips, but what was the good of asking any information of a man who had steadily refused to satisfy her curiosity ever since they had left Suburbia? She was burning to know what it all meant, and in some vague, intangible way she felt that the little house before her with the lighted windows that seemed to smile a welcome was about to provide the key to Uncle Peter's strange conduct. Also, for some reason or other, she was feelingly absurdly elated and happy, as though she were on the edge of a great discovery.

But then atmospheric surroundings and a congenial companion make a great difference to one's feelings, don't they? And above the young girl's head there stretched a clear sky studded with a myriad of stars; a bright moon smiled down on her, making the frostrimed trees with their pendant icicles look like a scene out of fairyland. The ice-bound gravel crackled delightfully under her feet, the sting in the air filled her with a strange, sweet exaltation.

On reaching the hall door it was flung wide; a welcoming shaft of light streamed forth, a smiling, neatly-dressed woman stood on the threshold.

Uncle Peter stepped in with a

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"I'll see you later, Mrs. Stevens," he said, "after I've shown Miss Mason through the house."

With the disappearance of the woman he turned to Letty, and a very tender light showed in his twinkling blue eyes as he beckoned her to follow him.

They entered the drawing-room first, and a little cry of astonishment and delight escaped the wondering girl; for it was a replica in every detail of the one she had viewed with eyes of appreciative longing a month ago.

Stemming the torrent of questions that rose in her mind, she went from room to room and viewed everything with long-drawn-out "Ohs!" and "Ahs!" that made Uncle Peter hug himself with delight. How often they had furnished this house in imagination? And here was a faithful reproduction of all that the girl had dreamed of, but never thought to possess.

What could it all mean?

They entered the last room and Letty's heart-beats quickened as she looked around on what was to be to her in years to come a room of sweet memories and tender associations.

"Bob's sanctum," said Uncle Peter, briefly.

A lovely color flooded the girl's cheeks, her eyes shining like stars flashed round the cosy "den," and rested finally on the kindly, rugged face looking down into hers.

"What does it mean, Uncle Peter?" she whispered.

He took her hands in a close, firm clasp and looked deep down into her eyes.

"It means your first wedding present from Uncle Peter, my dear," he replied, and followed the information with one of his jolly, infectious laughs.

Letty caught her breath with a sob, but it was a sob of ecstasy. Remembering all their expeditions into "make-believe land," a glimmering of the truth was already flickering through her brain.

"Then you're not poor?" she said, at last.

Uncle Peter smiled apologetically.

"I'm horribly rich," he admitted. "But don't thank me, child," he went on, hurriedly, "for if there's one thing that embarrasses and irritates me, it is being thanked. And now, suppose we return to the taxi and launch out on another shopping expedition—just a few presents for the children, you know, and"—with a comical grimace at recollection of the flavor of sundry half-smoked cigars—"we might get

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Many persons are firmly convinced, because they have slept shortly after taking one of these, that they are not kept awake by such beverages; but as a rule they are. The physiological hour for sleep is ignored by an artificial hour dictated by drugs. A third reason for lessened sleep is the evening entertainment habit, despite the necessity for early rising. The theatre, opera, bridge-party, etc., unduly waste the sleep time. A last reason for lack of sleep is nerve-cell exhaustion, among the causes of which in our cities may be named the almost continual light-stimulation (rhythmic electric signs, etc.), and sound-stimulation (milkmen, trolley cars, motor-horns, etc.)

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Dickie .....forward .....Foster  
Winne .....forward .....Scheckler  
Cooke .....center .....Charleston  
Humphreys .....guard .....McCool  
(O'Dell)  
Compton .....guard .....Weisler  
(Jenkins)

Scorer: O'Dell, Penn. Referee: Winne, Haverford. Official: Davis, N. H. S. Timekeeper: L. Davis, Penn.

**"500."**

On Saturday afternoon Miss Eleanor Wilson gave a "500." The following were present: The Misses Augusta Witherow, Jane Laird, Ruth Jones, Virginia Downes, Marion Trotter, Madelyn McCoy, Margaret Eyre, Mildred Harris, Sydney Bolick, Dorothy Durbin, Edith Humphries, Ruth Diamond, Caroline Irwin, Agnes Rose and Helen Duff. The table was beautifully decorated. The prizes were carried off by Caroline Irwin, Ruth Jones and Margaret Eyre. The whole affair was beautifully arranged and the young ladies spent a very enjoyable afternoon.

**SUFFRAGISTS THANK ASSISTANTS**

The Narberth Branch of the Woman Suffrage Party wishes to thank the following for the part they took in the entertainment of Monday evening, December 4: Misses Marie and Madeline Miesen, the Misses Rothacker, Mrs. Roy E. Clark, Misses Mabel Kirkpatrick, Ilma Scott, Katherine Foster, Doris von Culin, Mr. George Rose, Mr. S. A. Rudolph, and Mr. Irwin, who assisted in restoring the electric lights.

**COMMUNITY CLUB.**

The next meeting of the club will be January 19, at 4 o'clock in the Y. M. C. A. Mrs. J. Owen Phillips will conduct her class on "Creative Thought and Public Speaking."

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**FIRE AT RADNOR.**

Local fire laddies were called into service at 4.30 Tuesday morning to respond to a call from Radnor, and though a cold rain was in progress the boys were out promptly and away ten minutes after the alarm sounded. The six-mile run was made in quick time, but only to find the small house which was burning to be inaccessible on account of soft roads. Other fire companies were also prevented from rendering service on this account.

**A YOUNG PEOPLE'S MEETING.**

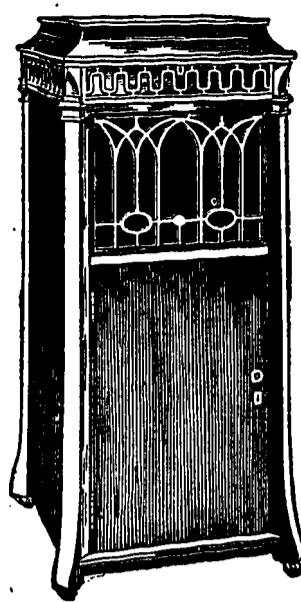
There will be a meeting of young people interested in the Episcopal Church on Thursday evening, December 14, at 8 o'clock, at the residence of Mr. Harry Joslin, 110 Elmwood avenue. The purpose of this meeting is to form some sort of an association or guild for the young people. Anyone interested in the Episcopal Church or in young people generally will find a very cordial welcome awaiting them at 110 Elmwood avenue, on Thursday evening.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE.**

In order to handle the large quantities of mail during the Christmas holidays, Postmaster Haws has secured one of the store rooms in the Arcade for the delivery of incoming parcel post. All outgoing parcels will be received as usual at the post office. After December 15 all incoming parcel post packages will be delivered from the Arcade parcel post room. Advice of the arrival of parcels will be given patrons by a special card notice which will be placed in their post office boxes to be presented at the Arcade sub station.

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