Democratic Watchman.

Bellefonte, Pa., December 11, 1925.

ARTABAN, FOURTH WISE MAN OF THE EAST.

By John Dickson Sherman.

Balthazar, Melchoir, Kaspar, who followed
that bright Christmas star—
You know the tale of the Wise Men, who
came bearing gifts from afar.
Here is the tale of Artaban, the Fourth
Wise Man of the East,
Who saw not the Babe in the manger, but
not of the four was the least!
He stopped to succor one dying and lost
his companions and way,
But ever he pressed his quest onward in
hope, though alone and astray.
And ever he nursed the ailing and ever
the hungry he fed,
And ever he clothed the naked wherever
his wanderings led.
One after another vanished the gifts he
had brought for the King—
To save a slave girl from torment he cast
down his last precious ring.
At last a tile struck his temple, Artaban
then knew he must die.
Lying there, stricken and helpless, his ears
heard a Voice from on High
Commending his deeds and service. "Not
so, Lord!" he cried in amaze,
"Long have I sought Thee to serve Thee,
but sought Thee in vain all my days.
When have I clothed Thee when naked?
And when wert Thou hungered and fed?
When gave I drink to Thee thirsty? Or
homeless, gave Thee a bed?"
The Voice replied to his mourning: "As
thou hast done it unto one
Of the least of these, my brethren, so unto
me it has been done."
This is the tale of Artaban, its lesson as
strong now as then:
"To God ye do only service as ye may do
service to men."

CHRISTMAS GIVING AND ITS MEANING.

"Give me six," the woman said as she crowded her way rudely up to the handkerchief counter. "One has to buy something, I suppose, and I guess handerchiefs take the least thought and consideration."

"Any particular pattern?" the clerk inquired.

"No, just so they cost no more than fifty cents each. What an awful bore Christmas is, and what a burden it throws on us. I wonder sometimes what it's all for."

"It's a very sweet, happy time to me," the girl answered.

There is too much that is conventional and artificial, perhaps, in our Christmas giving. We burden ourselves with obligations which we should never assume. We give too often because we feel that we should do so, because we wonder what people will say if we do not, because we hope to receive something in return. We keep up the practice because we have not the courage or the diplomacy to break it, and we put little thought or personality into it.

"Please do not send me anything at Christmas time," a friend wrote me, "for by so doing you would embarrass me and put me under obligations which I can ill afford to meet." It was a sensible letter which few would have had the courage to write.

It is not what we give that really counts, but the spirit in which the giving is done. The friendly, personal letter, the trifle which we have ourselves made, even the card which we pick up at the book store, often brings more joy than the costliest present chosen without love or thought. Christmas is a time of kindly thoughts, of forgiveness, of charity, and of good will to all men. There is no other day on the calendar on which it would be so dreary to be away from home as Christmas day. The spirit of Christmas is the spirit of self-sacrifice and of love.

The Wise Men bringing gifts to the Christ child came a long way over a rough and weary road full of dangers and full of discomforts; but the gifts they brought were gifts of sacrifice and unselfishness and of love, and the impluse to bring them came from the heart. They are the wise men today who can give thankfully, gratefully, lovingly, with joy in their hearts and without thought of what they are to receive.—Thomas A. Clark, Dean of Men, University of Illinois.

Hero Strikes Electric Match for His Cigarette in an Electric Gloaming.

With the lowly match, sunlight has given way to electricity in the movies. No longer does the camera have to stop when a cloud passes over the sun or when its light is completely obscured, comments the Pennsylvania Public Service Information committee.

Time was when the cost of keeping companies and temperamental stars waiting for the sun to appear put a considerable dent in the bank account. Experiments with electric lights revealed that daylight, moonlight, and firelight or almost any other kind or degree of light, can be duplicated by electricity.

When a motion picture company now goes on location it no longer carries along silver-papered reflectors. Instead, a transmission line is built back to the nearest central electrical station. If that cannot be done a complete lighting plant with generator follows on a motor truck.

When the heroine droops before the open fire, the exact degree of light that best exhibits her charms is assisted by electricity. When the handsome hero nonchalantly lights a cigarette in the gloaming, it is not usually done with a match. He uses a "baby arc," the wires of which are concealed in his sleeves.

Nome Facing Famine.

Nome, Alaska, is facing a famine as the result of being swept by fire recently. The flames destroyed some of the buildings made historic by the famous gold rush. The estimated damage is $200,000. Starvation faces the people on account of one of the largest grocery stores going up in the flames.

THE "SANTA SACK" GAME FOR KIDDIES.

Santa Claus is a real problem to some mothers. Shall their children be told the truth about Santa Claus, or shall they think of him as sliding down the chimney with reindeer and sleigh? This idea may help some mother who is puzzled over this question:

Before our little folks were old enough to understand about the existence of Santa Claus, whenever we saw a picture of the jolly old man, we called him Sunny, or Smiling Santa, because he looked happy. And he looked happy because he was good and kind to everyone. So when the children quarreled or pouted we would try to have them smile and look jolly, like Santa, whose picture we had among others we referred to, as moral or myth pictures.

As the children grew to understand more fully the meaning of the Christmastide we played a game, "Santa sack," which meant that if they allowed each other or their playmates to play with their toys or gave them of their apples or cookies, they were playing Santa Claus, because Santa Claus was unselfish and divided whatever he had from his sack.

Sometimes when their playmates came, we would say, "You'll want to play 'Santa Sack,' and away they would skip to distribute their toys like Santa. They delighted to play and be called Santa when they ran errands, smiled or did something kind.

Santa was a make-believe creature, as characters in poems which we read to them, such as "The Raggedy Man," "Chidren's Hour," "Jack Sprat," "Hiawatha." Anyone who gave a gift at any time of the year was a Santa. And whenever Santa Claus distributed gifts at school or any public place, they were delighted that someone was playing Santa as they played "bear" "doctor" or "teacher" in the home with their little friends. For anyone who is unselfish, kind and cheerful is to them a Santa Claus to someone else.

As they grew older the Santa sack was woven into a lesson story with the thought that each of us has something in smiles, kind words and deeds to give to another all the time. For the real Santa gave much—all he had—from his sack of treasures in Bethlehem long ago! So Santa Claus means unselfishness, cheerfulness, kindness—many things that are worth while to our children.—Gertrude Walton.

England Plans Most Powerful Radio Station in World.

The Goliath of all radio stations—more than fourteen times as powerful as any broadcasting station in the United States—is being erected at Rugby, England.

It will have an output of 8,000 watts, which assumes tremendous proportions when compared with the maximum amount of electric energy used by any broadcasting station in this country—5,000 watts by WGY, of Schenectady, N. Y.

This 8,000-kilowatt long-wave station will probably begin testing early next year. It will be used for communication with the British colonies and for other long-distance work.

Electron tubes—probably eighty ten-kilowatt units in parallell—will be employed, since both arc and spark transmitters are being discredited in foreign countries as well as in the United States.

Historically it is interesting to note that not long ago the two most powerful radio stations in the world were those located at Bordeaux, in France, and Annapolis, Md., with 1,000 and 500 kilowatts, respectively.

These, however, make use of arc transmitters and the output of power probably represents only from 100 to 200 kilowatts. Now, with the advent of tube transmitters, the age of great power has arrived.

The United States Navy Department is now installing an 80,000-watt tube transmitter at the San Diego naval radio station, the most powerful tube sending set in this country.

The equipment represents less than ten times the amount of power employed at the Rugby, England, station—the most powerful radio station in the world.

What a contrast between this huge amount of power and the five, ten and even fifty watts used by radio amateurs, and yet the latter have been able to span great distances.

Next Eclipse.

The next total eclipse will be in Sumatra, in January and already astronomers from Swarthmore College, the United States Naval observatory and the Mount Wilson observatory have sailed to observe it. Before many years have elapsed people in the northeastern part of the United States will again have an opportunity of witnessing this rare phenomenon.

On August 3, 1932, a total eclipse will occur and pass through parts of Vermont, New Hampshire and Maine. This eclipse will start near the North Pole, and the path of totality will enter the country in Northern Vermont, and will leave across the Atlantic ocean between Portland, Me., and Portsmouth, N. H. As this will occur about 3:30 in the afternoon, the chances for clear weather should be fairly good.—N. Y. World.

Lightning's Energy Exceeds Niagara's.

Scientists say that there is an average of 1800 thunderstorms in progress in the world at any one time, with 300,000 lightning flashes in an hour, says the Pennsylvania Public Service Information committee.

The energy of a severe lightning flash is about four kilowatt-hours. The total of 300,000 flashes would, therefore, be 1,200,000 kilowatt-hours, or more than 1,500,000 horse-power operating continuously to supply the world with severe lightning.

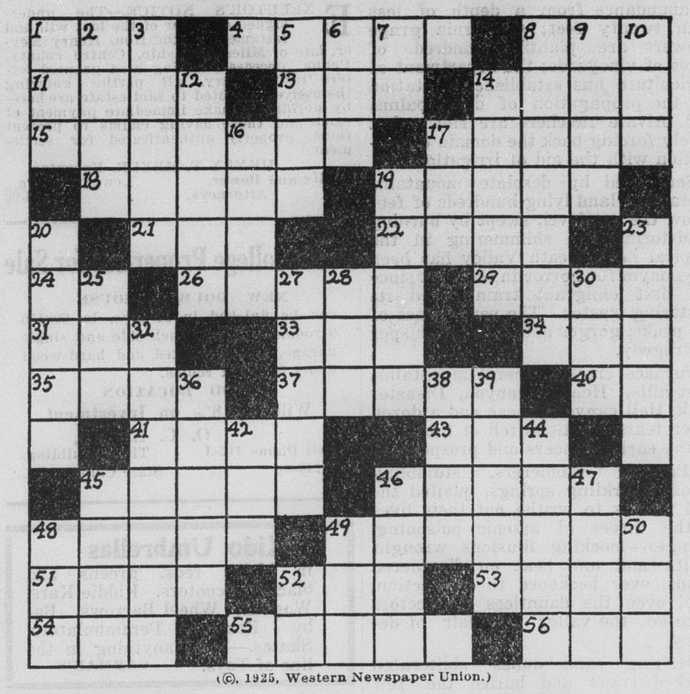
The developed capacity of Niagara Falls is about 1,000,000 horse-power, or about two-thirds that of the world's lightning at one time.

——Get the Watchman if you want the local news.

HOW TO SOLVE A CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

When the correct letters are placed in the white spaces this puzzle will spell words both vertically and horizontally. The first letter in each word is indicated by a number, which refers to the definition listed below the puzzle. Thus No. 1 under the column headed "horizontal" defines a word which will fill the white spaces up to the first black square to the right, and a number under "vertical" defines a word which will fill the white squares to the next black one below. No letters go in the black spaces. All words used are dictionary words, except proper names. Abbreviations, slang, initials, technical terms and obsolete forms are indicated in the definitions.

CROSS-WORD PUZZLE No. 3.



(©, 1925, Western Newspaper Union.)

Horizontal.

1—Towboat
4—To purloin
8—Brother of a religious order
11—Ridges
13—Insect
14—To smudge
15—Winged horse of classical myth
17—Golf clubs
18—Girl's formal introduction to society
19—To aver
21—Man's polite title
22—Inquires
24—Skyward
26—Railroad warehouse
29—Every
31—Enclosed vehicle
33—Bedding for horses
34—To deface
35—First man, according to Bible
37—Ohio city
40—To exist
41—Minus
43—In between
45—Dish
46—Equals
48—Inclined
49—To hide
51—Source
52—In behalf of
53—Overhanging part of a roof
54—To possess
55—Stratum
56—Lair

Solution will appear in next issue.

Vertical.

1—Pinnacle
2—Employed
3—Type of plum (pl.)
5—Tight
6—Printing measures
7—Preposition
8—Bits of wreckage floating on the ocean
9—Any of the letters of the alphabet formerly used by the Teutons
10—Land measures
12—Furious
14—Apparatus for stopping an automobile
16—Certain
17—Possessive impersonal pronoun
19—Sylvan deity, half man and half goat
20—Ancient Italian coin
23—To tear in pieces
25—Pillow
27—Any of the different aspects of anything
28—Kind of tree
30—Enclosed vehicle
32—Lighter-than-air vehicle
36—Intended
38—Evil sign
39—Female child of a brother or sister
42—Sainte (abbr.)
44—Fear
45—Bow of a ship
46—Hole in the skin
47—To conserve
48—On behalf of
49—Coquettish
50—Boy's name
52—Note of scale

POSSIBLY A NEW TRUNK LINE.

A dispatch from Lock Haven, which reports that the New York Central Railroad is preparing to start in the spring the construction of its long-projected line between Keating and McElhattan, along the south bank of the west branch of the Susquehanna river, is of much more than local interest. Inevitably it suggests the thought that the Central, which has long cherished the idea of establishing a new trunk line between the east and the west, is getting ready to put into execution the plan of the late president Smith, who proposed to make use of the tracks of the New Jersey Central from Jersey City to Tamanend, of the Reading company's Catawissa Division from Tamanend to Newberry Junction, and of the Beech Creek and Lake Shore Divisions of the Central from that point to Ashtabula, Ohio. There has always been a gap between McElhattan and Keating, in this chain of connected roads, where the New York Central makes use of the tracks of the Pennsylvania Railroad under lease. This arrangement has never been satisfactory to either company, and the Pennsy has long been anxious to get rid of the Central trains, which interfered with its own traffic.

For many years the Central has owned practically all the necessary right of way, and if it really intends to begin the construction of a new line in the near future this may be the first step in putting president Smith's plan in operation. There can, of course, be no legitimate objection to this. It was the Central's suggestion that, in order to establish the new trunk line, the Reading and Jersey Central systems should be torn to pieces that aroused such bitter opposition two or three years ago. This disruption is in no way essential to the formation of a through line, which would be of great advantage to Pennsylvania. Philadelphia would be a decided gainer by it, as would many other communities. The plans of the Central will be looked for with much interest to see just how great is their scope, and whether a new trunk line is to be added to the State's transportation facilities.—Philadelphia Record.

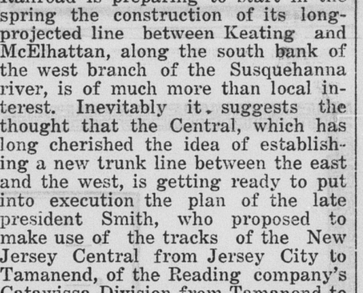
Solution to Crossword Puzzle No. 3.

S	O	L	■	V	I	C	A	R	■	A	D	O	■	■
A	D	A	M	■	O	H	M	■	S	T	U	N	■	■
C	O	U	R	T	■	A	■	A	T	O	N	E	■	■
■	R	D	■	O	R	N	I	S	■	L	E	■	■	■
A	■	S	O	■	A	C	T	■	A	L	■	C	■	■
R	E	■	R	A	■	E	■	U	P	■	I	A	■	■
G	A	R	G	L	E	■	A	R	R	E	S	T	■	■
U	T	■	A	L	■	G	■	N	O	■	M	E	■	■
E	■	A	N	■	M	A	D	■	N	O	■	R	■	■
■	T	L	■	T	A	L	O	N	■	G	L	■	■	■
R	O	D	E	O	■	L	■	A	P	R	I	L	■	■
A	G	E	D	■	F	O	P	■	M	E	S	A	■	■
M	A	R	■	C	A	N	O	E	■	S	T	Y	■	■

Large Game Hunters are Required to Keep Roster.

All parties of three or more hunting large game (deer or bear), whether in camp or otherwise, are required to keep a roster, either in camp or in possession of their leader, and must show this roster to any game protector on demand or to any other properly authorized officer.

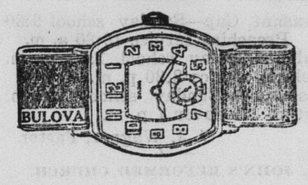
Violation of this law subjects every member of the party liable to twenty-five dollars fine. Hunters are asked to follow the law on this matter, as it is going to be rigidly enforced. Also all large game is required by law to be tagged within six hours after killing.



RUNKLE'S DRUG STORE,
BELLEFONTE, PA.

Caldwell & Son
Bellefonte, Pa.
Plumbing and Heating
By Hot Water
Vapor
Steam
Pipeless Furnaces
Full Line of Pipe and Fittings and Mill Supplies
All Sizes of Terra Cotta Pipe and Fittings
ESTIMATES
Cheerfully and Promptly Furnished
66-15-tf

CHICHESTER S PILLS
THE DIAMOND BRAND.
Ladies! Ask your Druggist for Chi-ches-ter s Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold metallic boxes, sealed with Blue Ribbon. Take no other. Buy of your Druggist. Ask for CHI-CHES-TER S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS, for 25 years known as Best, Safest, Always Reliable
SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE

....TRULY....
The Gift Shop
of Centre County


Jewelry — Watches — Diamonds
Leather — Brass — Silverware
Tableware — Birth Stone Rings — Lodge Rings
Waterman, Duofold and Eversharp Pens and Pencils
Make us your Gift Counsellors and you'll surely be pleased.
F. P. Blair & Son
JEWELERS.....BELLEFONTE, PA.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK · STATE COLLEGE, PA. · SECURITY SERVICE STABILITY
Consider the Usefulness of this Bank
This bank has proven its usefulness to the people — and it wants to make its service helpful to you.
Come In and Get Acquainted
THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK
STATE COLLEGE, PA.
MEMBER FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Lyon & Co. Lyon & Co.

Santa Claus
has made us an early visit, and left many beautiful gifts for every member of the family.
For Mother
Towel Sets—all colors.
Linen Luncheon Sets.
Nighties.
Silk Hose.
Umbrellas—silk and cotton.
Boudoir Caps.
Handsome Leather and Bead Bags.
For Father
Gloves.
Hose.
Neckties.
Shirts.
Linen and Cotton Handkerchiefs.
For Big Sister
Silk Scarfs, beautifully fringed—Silk Hose, Chiffon and Plain, in all colors—Wool Scarfs, all colors and designs—Vanities—Powder and Rouge Compacts—Handkies, any kind at any price; lovely Linen ones, too—Bedroom Slippers—Jazz Garters, all colors.
For the Tiny Tot
All kinds of Dolls, "Ma Ma," Nelke, and just plain—Handkerchiefs in folders, with all nursery rhymes pictured—Rattles—Beaded Bags; just the thing for the tiny Miss—Teddy Bear Suits, all colors—Stockings, to be filled on Christmas Eve.
Everything in Every Department to Help Make your Xmas Shopping Easy
Lyon & Co. 64-10 Lyon & Co.