

Christmas at Yum

ON the Island of Yum, where the weather is fine, and the children are always at play, they never have had time to wear stockings to wear. So they run about barefoot all day. And when it is Christmas and Santa Claus comes he almost goes out of his mind. So he searches in vain for some stockings to fill. When there aren't any stockings to find.

ON the Island of Yum, by the tropical sea, where people live right out of doors, they sleep in the shade of the coconut tree.

And cool on the sand covered shores. But when it is Christmas and Santa appears he's sorry he made them a calf, for how can he slide down the chimneys, my dears, when there aren't any chimneys at all?



POPCORN AND CANDLES HUNG TO A PALM.

ON the Island of Yum there are thousands of trees. The mango and banyan and date, so the children of Yum eat the fruit that they please. And enjoy it, it's needless to state. But when poor old Santa comes every year he struggles in vain to keep calm, for popcorn and candles look awfully queer when hung to a coconut palm.

If I on the Island of Yum were to live, the children I'd merrily teach; I'd build 'em all chimneys, and then I would give a nice pair of stockings to each. And I'd send out a shipload of Christmas trees, too. Addressed to the children by name, and then you would see what a time there would be when Christmas and Santa Claus came.

—Wallace Irwin in New York Globe.

The Christmastide Lesson.
The Christmastide celebrates the birth festival of our Lord. The incarnation of Christ is the central thought in the history of the world. His birth has exalted the poetry, the music and the art of the centuries. It has changed all social customs and religious rituals. It has given a new glory to human life and a new trend to eternity. This is the time when all bitterness should be forgotten, all family feuds reconciled and all life glorified. God grant that the day may speedily come when the song of the angels celebrating the birth of the Christ may find its fulfillment throughout the whole world.

"Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men."—Dr. Robert Stuart MacArthur, Pastor Calvary Baptist Church, New York City.

Caught Santa on the Street.
A Santa Claus from the Salvation Army was ringing his bell beside his iron pot in Fourteenth street, says the New York Mail and Express, when suddenly a little girl broke away from her mother in the passing throng and, rushing up to the pseudo Santa, grabbed him by his gown and began rapidly to tell her wants. First she gave him her full name and address, with many injunctions not to forget. Then she rattled off a list of things she wanted, regardless of the attempts of her mother to induce her to come away and not bother Santa. The little girl was persistent, the crowd gathered around to hear her little invocation, and for awhile she blocked traffic on that side of the street.

A Santa Claus Party.
As the once popular "donkey party" no longer holds forth for novelty, here is something new—a Santa Claus party. Take an old sheet and paint or draw on it a Santa Claus. Have a number of red caps cut from medium weight water color paper and distributed among the guests. Taking turns, let each one be blindfolded and, walking toward the sheet, try to place the cap on Santa's head. The person succeeding is the winner and receives the prize of a toy Santa Claus. The two who also come the nearest might be given prizes of reindeer.—Bee Hive.

Christmas in the South.
In the south Christmas is celebrated as we observe Fourth of July. The presents may be of the most inexpensive character, but there will be a bountiful supply of firecrackers, torpedoes and roman candles, not forgetting the tin horn, which begins to toot on Christmas eve and continues till midnight of Dec. 25. The cry of "Christmas gift!" resounds, and never once does one hear "Merry Christmas."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Mrs. E. S. Coppersmith's Christmas Topics

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Christmas In the Caribbean

"If I can't be at my own house," remarked a naval officer, "I'd rather spend the holiday season on a cruiser or gunboat down in the Caribbean than in the greatest city of the land. Fun? Why, you don't know what fun is until you come to a celebration like the musical comedy given by the crew of a protected cruiser off Santo Domingo on Christmas night four years ago.

"The surgeon wrote the words, and there was a sailor, a regular genius at music, who got up the finest score you ever heard. Why, he'd have made a hit writing music for operas on Broadway if he hadn't died of tropical fever. That comedy—but I guess you'd call it an extravaganza more likely—was the funniest show I ever saw. Maybe it wouldn't have seemed so to you, but to us it was all that could be desired by the most critical.

"But how did you get a stage or scenery or costumes or makeup?" asked the landsman.

"Oh, that was all easy," he replied. "As soon as the men told the captain of their plan he gave them the free use of the quarter deck, which was cleared for dramatic action. Then the boys built a platform as good a stage as you ever saw—and chairs or benches were placed in rows until there were seats for everybody, from the commanding officer down to the cook's helper.

"Curtain? Of course we had a curtain. It was made of old sailcloth, and a series of ropes and pulleys made it rise and fall as smoothly as the one in the Metropolitan Opera House. Then,



"THE 'LEADING WOMAN' WAS A SMOOTH-CHEEKED SWEDIE."

on each side of the stage, more sailcloth was used to conceal the dressing rooms and the 'flies.' As for scenery, the carpenters built wooden frames, and these were covered with sails stretched taut, on which the painters put beautiful trees and houses, and whatever else was necessary to complete the pictures. The footlights were electric bulbs, shaded from the audience by tin reflectors.

"The costumes and makeup required as much ingenuity. The organizers had procured a good many feminine garments ashore several weeks ahead of time, but all the smaller accessories were made aboard ship. The false beards were constructed of strands of rope, which were carefully picked out and then shaped up by a fellow who had a talent for that sort of work. Of the same material he wove elaborate wigs. Burnt cork did the work of darkening eyebrows, and face paints were mixed in the fo'c'sle—probably from ordinary house paints, for I guess the sailors weren't particular about their complexions.

"The 'leading woman' was a smooth-cheeked Swedie, and he was rigged up 'regardless.' I can tell you he was a stunner. The flounces and lace and ribbons he wore would have filled a trunk. The only trouble about him was his voice, but we grew used to that before the end of the first act; what it lacked in feminine delicacy it atoned for in quality. He gave us all the popular songs of a year before in a rich tenor and added a few composed for the occasion, mostly hits at the officers, who took good naturedly all the jokes at their expense. There was a fair plot to the piece.

"The music, rendered by an orchestra of twenty pieces, had been another subject for careful preparation. There were a few instruments on board, and these were supplemented by some bought by subscriptions from the officers, upon whom the men had called for all the cash they needed. The extra horns and drums and straggled pieces were secured at a port we visited a week previously, and the players had been practicing, often to the annoyance of those who had to remain near the fo'c'sle, every night since their equipment was completed.

"Ah, it was a fine show! There were, a lonesome lot of devils, who hadn't had a look in on a good time for six months. This diversion we enjoyed like schoolboys who had been cooped between brick walls from September to Christmas holidays. After it was over of course we had banquets, the officers in the wardroom and the sailors in the fo'c'sle, and by the next morning every man of us felt he had spent a real Christmas as Christmas ought to be spent."—New York Times.

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NOTICE is hereby given that Mrs. Ella A. Parsons, Executrix of the estate of Orrel F. Ellwell, late of Emporium, Cameron County, State of Pennsylvania, deceased, has filed her first and final account of her administration of said estate and the same will be presented at the next term of Court for confirmation *ni si*.
W. J. LEAVITT, Register.
Emporium, Pa., Dec. 7th, 1908. } —4t.

ELECTION NOTICE.
THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK, Emporium, Pa., Dec. 7th, 1908.
THE annual meeting of the stock-holders for the election of a Board of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may be laid before them, will be held at the Bank on Tuesday, January 12, 1909, between the hours of one and three in the afternoon.
T. B. LLOYD, Cashier.

Register's Notice.
STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA, } SS: CAMERON COUNTY, }
NOTICE is hereby given that George W. Leavitt, Administrator of the estate of Mary E. Sanford, late of Shippen Township, Cameron County and State of Pennsylvania, deceased, has filed his first and final account of his administration of said estate, and the same will be presented at next term of Court for confirmation *ni si*.
W. J. LEAVITT, Register.
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