### CHILDISH PLEAS IN SANTA'S MAIL

Gores of Letters Reach Him by Way of Evening Ledger

TOYS AND FOOD WANTED

By M'LISS

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Deer Santa Claus—I write to you can help us for Christone if you can help us for Christing three little brothers and my three little brothers and my brother later bet them, and my brother is working. We would be very thanked by you if you would give us someone for Christmas. We need toys food. We will thank you so much it you don't forget us From.

JOSEPHINE D. JOSEPHINE D.

greer Christmas the Evening Lepans to is made the depository for lots of claus mail. Numerous kittle boyn d girls and grown-ups, too, sometimes, - to think that Santa atops in at Sixth cheethut streets ever and anon on his of collecting things in order to the him to a restated meed. They hope to catch him in a reand defenseless attitude, with his off perhaps and a mellow pipe in his

he's this way he'd not be able to re-them. They pelt him therefore with the calculated to pull his heari-atringa that no matter what he did hast year, or the before that, he will have to heed their this time.

This time.

This the letter of Josephine D. In the mail H's written in a childlen hand, with a fifthe words misspelled, and it has no wation at all. But the poignant part it all is not no much the plight of the she it depicts, but the thought that lies that second from the last sentence.

To need toys and food. Josephine D. is replayed, the can be wagered, and as yoursen person knows, a corpular child. cular child. It can be wagered, and as a human person knows, a couldar child, after how emactated she may be from some meals, or no meals at all needs are before she needs food. It's a safe bett though Josephine's little lummy were exceeded to half its size, if a great big al and a great big meal were set before, her little hands would go out inscriptly to the dolly.

BERES ANOTHER JUST LIKE IT The Eventso Ledger doesn't know any-ber about Josephine, no more than it are about the scores of other Christmas buters, Florence, for instance, who

Dear Santa: I know you are very kind at make little children happy and merry christmas, so I am writing to you to see you will try to make us happy and merry sending us a few things, as we did not as much of a Thanksgiving and it will be much of a Christmas for us either, usy father is not making much." Furence goes on to say that she is four-

est being twenty-two months. But what the EVENING LEDGER does know that although it may be possible that a regnerathy persons try to heckle Santa has into giving them something when or den't need anything, the majority need of they can get. The EVENING LEDGER, brefore, passes along the names of some dis Sania Claus correspondents in the hope lat benevolent readers will come across so help the grand old man of Christmas to the care of his people. At the same time agrees that if these benevolent ones any suspicions as to the worthiness of mal levestigation or ask the Society for realizing Charity to do it for them.

DITTLE ONES LOOKING TO SANTA CLAUS ware the names and addresses of thos

so lave implored Santa not to forget them is because they are poor: phine Daly, 215 Watkins street, six chil-Coffice, 2 rear 126 Ellsworth street. Basquell, rear D14 South Water street. Cassidy, 1302 South Hancock street, two Signitis, rear 216 Titan street, five Jeffers, rear 1712 South Lee street. Griffith, 119 Mountain street, three of Edwards, 3022 North Fairhill atreet, can Butler, 54 Mercy street, five children, sene Snyder, 350 McKean street, one child artha Lord, 1730 South Lee street, six chil

Smith, 2530 South Clarion street, seven A Harker, 652 Ferry avenue, Camden, five McCowes, 1918 South Lee street, two arry Melson, 216 Watking street, four chites Brown, 2740 Titun street, five chil-MacKenzie, 822 West Thirty-fourth Cambon, two children, brose Easterday, 219 Mountain (or Mantou) t sit children. 47 Marrow, rear 13-15 South Philip street, a Peak, 2268 Cadwallader street, four 13 A. Wolfinger, 418 Durfor street, six chil-5. Ohme, 2209 Reed street, eight children. 5. Charles Kaffer, 1768 Bedine street, three Phelen, 226 Titan street, four children, Lames McGuire, 220 West Columbia ave-Margaret Brown, 339 Titan street, four With, rear 1026 Moyamensing avenue, dilleren, Camphell, 1228 South Philip streat, phell. 1228 South Philip street,

Marier, 223 Titan street, five children, Labron, 1518 South American street, Bates, 1232 South Philip atrect, four Brown, 222 Titan street, three children. sees O'Hara, 1236 South American bites children. K Devine, 2613 Federal street, four Gress, 229 Titan street, three children, Butler, 1131 North Lee street, three Burns, 234 Manton street, one child. Prettyman, 1819 South Water street, Schaffer, 54 Dudley street, seven chil-Margaret Saunders, 1992 South Water children. E. Winer, 3125 Gaul street, four chil-Cooria, 1435 South Franklin street, four McLaughlin, 2120 Cross street, eight

a William Taylor, 2 Wister place, German-

aster to Wed Minister's Daughter wed Minister's Daughter is made of the engages of Miss Rachel Brodhead, daughter is liev, and Mrs. George M. Brodhead. Ill Catharine street, to the Rev. Samdridams, acting pastor of Wharton tal Methodist Episcopal Church. No has been set for wedding The Rev. Serve M. Brodhead, father of Missiand, is pastor of the J. W. Sayre tal Methodist Episcopal Church bedrei and Catharine streets. Doctor and has been associated with the stee Memorial Church for about two-life was originally an assistant pas-

Revolutionary Balls Uncarthed

INNERT, N. J., Dec. 18.—While doing and the church at Old to the hattlefield by Monmouth, was of L. R. Dudley unsurthed three or cannon balls, about eighteen have the surface. The missiles are that of preservation, despite the these have laid in the surface there has been a large of the property of th

### DIARY OF A WELL-DRESSED GIRL

A Costume for the Fancy-Dress Ball



A picturesque holiday costume.

THE Rullands have a way of being dif-ferent. They refurnished their house, and upholstered the new limousins in black and white. The twins' are seening black velvet nuits trimined with white fox, and even their umbrelias have striped black-and-white handles. So none of us was at all surprised when we were "bid" to a

Amy Sanford and I are startlingly alike when masked and knew that there would be no end to the run if we'd wear duplicata continues. We combined forces in dealign-ing and making them, and the result is

loveliest frock and hat imaginable. the loveliest frock and hat imaginable.

Not having a whole lot of money to spend for materials, we went to the litting counter and asked the saleswoman for samething goodlooking in white. She showed us salesen, farmer's satin, silicia and cambrid muslin, all of which would have been suitable. Amy liked a lining satin with a spicalid sheen. As it wasn't much more expensive than the other materials, we bought appured for the two freeds. igh for the two frocks.

Then we invested in a remnant of sain baving a hold design showing conventional-ized black-and-white daisies scattered over a white background. The balance of the

#### "GOLDEN RULE" SPIRIT IN LEDGER SANTA PLAN

The Misses Ruth and Dorothy Thompson, in Charge, Work Hard for Kiddies

The spirit of the Golden Rule, the spirit of "Do unto others as we would be done by." pervades the LEDGER SARIA Claus Room 666 Chestnut street, where the Saria Claus girls, two young women who love children, preside.

All day long children and their parents come in to "give to the other little fellow." Grown-ups turn away with a lump in their throats, a moisture in their eyes, when they hear the story of sacrifics of the kiddles who have been doing deeds of love all year that other boys and girls may have a Christman from the Langua Santa Claus

Little girls and hove throughout this State and from other States, in fact from as far away as Denver, Col., have made this Christmas spirit possible, and through their love and their permiss 10,000 Philadelphia children will get a Merry Christmas

brough the Langes Santa Club. Boys have made boats for other boys Boys have made boats for other boys. Little girls have been sewing and stitching doll ciothes for other little girls. Already an army of dolls, large and small, brides, cowboys and cowgirls, baby dolls, lady dolls and men dolls and a navy of boats have been mobilized in the Ledger Santa headquarters for the Christmas invasion of the homes of the poor. One boat which is causing much comment. One boat which is causing much comment among all who come is a dugout. The Santa Lady wants to know what little boy made it, for he is likely to get a prize for his handlwork. His name has been lost in the hurly-burly of the preparation for visits to the many houses of poor little boys and girls of Philadelphia.

boys and girls of Philladelphia.

The money for the Ledger Santa Club comes from the savings and the earnings of boys and girls who want others to be happy, too. During the last year these boys and girls, 5000 of them, have just aside their pennics. Often when mother gave Mary a dime she divided it with the little "pig" bank, in which she kept her Christmas fund for the Ledger Santa.

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Christmas fund for the Ludoka Santa.

The Santa Lady has one longing at present—and that is for "doli buggles." "The girls love them so and we cannot afford to get them. They are very expensive, and it would not be fair to the other children if we spent the money on doll buggles," said Miss Ruth Plumly Thompson, the prime mover in the Ledger Santa Club. "We dowish that some one who wants to make little girls happy would send us about forty 'doll buggles." We could use them all."

Miss Thompson's stanch assistant and co-worker in the LEDGER Santa Club is her sister, Miss Dorothy Thompson. Both young women have thousands of little friends, who write them letters telling how they raised their money for the club, how they want to do good to others and how they wish the Santa Lady a merry Christ-mas. The letters, in childish hands, are an inspiration to those who are fortunate



materials needed for the costumes I had at

In "building" the freeks we first made two foundations of coarse, white, lining net, fifting the hodiers snugly, and making the petitronts rather wide. We trimmed each petitron with a deep gathered flource of white net fourteen inches wide.

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With the foundations out of the wap we were ready to make the overshirts. We agreed that they would be more effective if mit circular instead of gored. I fitted Anny's and she returned the favor. We were disappointed to find that there wasn't enough 'body' to the liming eatin to make skirts flare as we wanted them to. I sent Amy downtown, post-basts, to buy crinoline of the thinnest quality, from which I made a deep facing for each skirt, thus supplying the necessary stiffness.

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the necessary stiffness.

Amy made four rounded scallons about the hem of each overskirt and bound the edges with a harrow bias strip of black sain. By the time she had the binding stitched in place I had the daisles sut out and reaf; to applique to the skirts. This was rather tedious, for we found that unless they were piaced exactly right the whole effect of the frock was spoiled.

I set Amy to making the small bows of black velvet ribbon with which to trim each point of the scallops while I basted together the bodices. First, I took a wide band of black eatin and used it as a girdle about the waint, then I used folds of white net ever the shoulders and made the short slesses of net. When they were stitched into the armitoles Amy linished them with gathered tribs of net.

We joined the bodiess to the skirts and added a frill of net about each waistline, which is slightly raised. Any sewed the home of black velvet to the shoulders white I set about trimining the hafe.

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Fortunately, Amy and I had white straw hats which we had used in the Watleau group of the tableaux vivants. I blackened them with a dye that is sold at all drug abops for this purpose. When the straw was thoroughly dry I faced the straw with white sain and banked clusters of black and white roses at one side. Then I sewed the chin straps of black velvet in place

The completed costumes are picturesque and extremely suited to our 'particular type of heauty' Now we're curious to know what the others will wear. Aint Katheryn has ordered her 'togs' made at a stage costumer's. This much I learned from mother, but the rest are keeping everything a 'dead secret."

Dad just came in to take me to an exhibition of wood carving. This is his latest bodby, and I, too, must wax enthusiastic

(Coppulant.)

enough to see them. They show how the spirit of the Golden Bule is havening all classes not only at the Christmas season. but all the year around for these 5000 chil-dren work all year that the Christman season may may be happier for those less fortunate than they. Some of the letters are written on beautifully embeased sta-tionery, showing that the children who are thinking of others come from homes of afthence.

There are two organizations of the LEGGER, however, that bein in giving Christmas cheer to many youngsters around town. The other is Farmer Smith's Rain-bow Club, which has a room stocked full of

bow Club, which has a room stocked full of clothes and toys at 60% Chestnut street. It, too, has an influence that will mean a real Christmas to children instead of a hungry holiday with an empty stocking.

Each child makes and fills a stocking, and sends gifts, as well as sends the money from the pigs. One little girl. Derothy Cross, of Cynwyd, deserves special mention for her doll's clothing. She made the lace to trim the clothes with, and she knitted a neck scarf besides doing all the sewing. This goes to show what a versatile lasses she is. Some months age the Santa Lady sent each child in the clob a flower buth timed to bloom at Christmas time. This is the 'Thank you' from the Lenguez Santa for all the work of love the LENGER Santa for all the work of love the youngsters have done for others.

#### WHY IT'S A MOTHERS DUTY TO LOOK HER BEST

By LUCREZIA BORI

Prima Donna of the Metropolitan Opera Company

IT IS nothing less than a tragedy to wit- to do the different things necessary for the ness the marked change in the appear. preservation of her beauty. ance of many beautiful women after marriage. Girls who have been considered the beauties of a community have, after assum-

ing the responsibilities of home making, altractive you are interested enough to ask then why they neglect that used to be as fresh and lovely as a rose-bud, or their hair which at one time gifutened like gold, they will



"I haven't the time LACREZIA BORT any more to fuss over myself. Baby and the house take every minute."

There is no excuse for a wife and mother There is no excise for a wife and mother not to preserve her good looks. If she refuses to do it for her own sake, then she should consider her husband and her children. The time is past when it was considered a reprehensible act by those of Puritanical ideas for a married woman to take as much pride in her personal appearance as she did before her marriage. It is the duty of every woman would be should be done to stopped. the duty of every woman, wedded or single, but particularly the duty of mothers, to preserve their good looks and to make themselves as attractive as possible. Children love beauty and are very sensitive concern-ing the external appearance of their par-

INCREASE YOUR REPORTS

I am sure that you recall the story of one the modern novels, in which the sensigreat deat because of the careless, unknown appearance of his mother, who was devoted to him. Avert this tragedy in sour home by spending a portion of each day in improving your loses. The time thus spent in making yourself invelor could not be used to better advantage.

In homes where there are daughters I have noticed that the mothers are hand-somer better groomed and more up-to-date than where there is none. (Itris encourage their mothers to keep young-looking, to dress their hair becomingly and to wear smart chithes, while the mother whose children are all sons is in danger of forgetting

It is an unpardomable mistake for a wom-an to throw her beauty to the winds after marriage. Every man is doubly proud of a wife who is good looking. My advice is to redouble your efforts to appear well groomed and smartly deesed after you have taken the marriage vows instead of becoming careless of your personal appears

STUDY "YOUR STYLE"

If you have the wherewithal, have your face massaged so that it will retain its youthful roundness of contour and the texture and delicate color of your skin will be preserved. Also have your hair properly treated and your scalp massaged, so that it will never become lifeless and brittle. Not every woman has the "knuck" of arranging her hair attractively, and if you are one of these have your hair dressed by a professional hairdresser for special occasions, and mitate the manner in which she has coiffed your tresses at other times.

But if you do not have the means to indulge in these beauty luxuries, then be your own beauty specialist. Take a sufficient time from your day crowded with household duties to give yourself the personal attention necessary to preserve your good

Be careful'in the selection of your clothing, no matter what your station in life may be Remember that to load yourself with fripperies is a gross sin against good taste. Wemen of middle age are prope to do this particularly if they are wives of wealthy men. Every one is familiar with the overdressed rich woman ladened with laces and lewels, who cuts a sorry figure in comparison to the clever woman who knows what to wear and how to wear it. The lat-ter may have little or nothing to spend, but her industrious fingers enable her to fashion frocks and hats that are quite as smart as those sold in the exclusive shops. You must. however, possess the magic secret of "style," which will prompt you to buy or to make the clothes best suited to your individual type:

It pays to look well. I hope every busy housewife will bear this in mind and will make herself as attractive as she possibly can. Your children will worship their looking wife.

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I J. Stantoob, treasurer of the do Post Powder company. The reason given by Mr. Brady for relinquishing the lease is that his immense interests made it impossible for him to care for the house as he desired.

Louis J. Allemann, who has been manager for some time, will be in full charge

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