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BOOKS AS CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Display at Harrisburg Public Library Will Aid Donors to Make Proper Selections

People who are in doubt about what books to give for Christmas or who want some idea on books for old or young, only need to go to the Harrisburg Public Library. Miss Alice R. Eaton, the librarian, has arranged what is called a Christmas bookshelf on which are displayed books which will give ideas of what to get. The books are taken from the shelves of the library and in addition the price lists of practically every book publishing house dealing in Christmas or gift or standard books is arranged on a table. The display is the most unique ever made in the city and gives first class suggestions.

Another arrangement is a collection of books to give ideas on programs for Christmas, with lists of hymns, carols and the like, which can be easily referred to and which give many good suggestions for Yuletide celebrations. The "War Extra" table contains some new books about the countries at war and has attracted no end of attention from the hundreds of visitors at the library.

WILL INSTRUCT MILLERS

State College to Give Short Mid-Winter Course State College, Pa., Dec. 9.—The Pennsylvania State College will give a mid-winter short course for millers and millers' apprentices during the Christmas recess of the college calendar. The session will be held simultaneously with the practical course in agriculture which is given during "Farmers' Week." Last year there was an attendance of 976 in these courses. An extended series of evening and day lectures will be given at this time on subjects relating to agriculture, milling, farm engines and mechanics. All these

lectures given in the evening and many of those given during the day are open to students taking the milling course. The short course for millers begins Monday, December 28, 1914, and continues until Wednesday, January 6, 1915. This course will be similar to the one given last summer in the summer session for millers except that the course will be very much abbreviated on account of having very much less time available. The major part of the session, however, will be devoted to experiments with practical methods of testing flour, such as absorption, gluten, expansion and comparative baking tests.

Find Twins Dead in Bed Kutztown, Dec. 9.—The twin sons

born to Mrs. Moses Handwork, on Thanksgiving Day, were found dead in bed by the mother yesterday. Heart trouble was given as the cause.

A. N. YOST INDICTED

Bloomsburg Attorney Granted Continuance on Embezzlement Charge Bloomsburg, Dec. 9.—A true bill was returned yesterday by the Grand Jury in the case of A. N. Yost, a Bloomsburg attorney, charged with embezzling funds of the Industrial Building and Loan Association, of which he was secretary.

A continuance was granted until the February term of court, with the understanding that the bail will be increased from \$2,300 to \$6,600 and cover a number of years.

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GREAT CALAMITY AVERTED BY U. S.

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Small Reduction of Gold Holdings In spite of drains from Europe, where the nation owed about \$450,000,000 at the outbreak of the war, Secretary McAdoo says that the Treasury's gold holdings show a reduction of only \$88,656,279 on October 31, 1914, compared with holdings of \$1,258,218,357 on June 30, 1913.

Secretary McAdoo referred in some detail to his action against banks which, he publicly announced, were hoarding up money, piling up reserves and charging high interest rates without good cause. It was a disagreeable duty, he said, but one which resulted in a determination on his own part to withdraw government deposits from banks not using such funds for the benefit of their communities.

"This action," he said, "had a salutary influence, because it was followed by a general loosening up of credits; and while it is not for a moment contended that the improvement is attributable wholly to the action of the department it is, nevertheless, believed to have had a beneficial effect upon the situation."

Should Extend War Tax

Mr. McAdoo's report is devoted largely to a review of the activities of his department for the fiscal year ending on June 30, before the war began, but he included detailed statements of the Treasury's participation in various post-war problems.

The Secretary makes several recommendations. He suggests to Congress that the war revenue tax law should not expire December 31, 1915, but that its operation should be extended until the end of the European war, by proclamation of the President.

Income Tax Law Amendment

Discussing the income tax law, the Secretary advocates a change in the law so that persons having a gross income of \$3,000 be required to make a return instead of those persons with a net income of that amount or over.

"Such an amendment," he says, "would simplify the administration of the law, assure more complete returns and materially increase the income tax revenue, and save an immense amount of expense to which the government is now subjected in maintaining a sufficient corps of inspectors and investigators to hunt out the people who have failed to make returns." He recommends also the repeal of the provision by which taxes do not accrue until ten days after the close of the fiscal year and would make them accrue July 1 each year.

Although the law did not produce the revenue expected, the Secretary says, it has proved satisfactory and expeditious in the administration of a law of that character has many obstacles to overcome at the outset and that folk are unaccustomed and must be educated to it. Taking the tables of returns, Mr. McAdoo infers that there must be many who failed to pay the tax.

Thousands Failed to Make Return

"It is clear," says he, "that there were thousands of persons who failed altogether to make a return as required by law. The remedy for this, of course, is to have the collectors of internal revenue in each district make an assessment upon those who, in the opinion of the collectors, are liable to the tax, and, in addition, to make such investigations as may be necessary to determine who in each district have failed to make proper returns. The experience of the department shows that many erroneous and faulty returns have been made. The work of discovering such cases, he adds, is being pushed forward with all possible rapidity.

Success of the Tariff Act

"The collection of revenue for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1914," says Mr. McAdoo, "show the success of the tariff act of October 3, 1913, as a revenue measure." He goes on to show that this act was estimated as the producer of \$270,000,000 in its first year and that there was actually collected \$292,320,014. That, however, included nine months under the new law and three months under the Payne-Aldrich law. He shows that the total raised under the new law with its corporation and income tax features was \$333,701,230, or \$9,805,593 in excess of the previous year's receipts under the preceding revenue measure.

War Affected the Revenues

"The European war," said the Secretary, "seriously affected the revenues of the government from imports. The revenue from customs for October, 1914, was \$16,271,829, and for October, 1913, it was \$20,138,049, a decrease of \$13,866,220. The reduction is solely due to the falling off in importations. The estimate made by the department indicated a yearly decrease of between \$60,000,000 and \$100,000,000. It is obvious that these estimates cannot be accurate as no one can forecast the course of events while the titanic struggle in Europe is in progress. To keep the treasury in a strong condition in these abnormal times was obviously the first duty of the hour. Upon it largely depended the safety of business and finance in this country."

Facilities of Parcel Post

Mr. McAdoo again recommends to Congress the consolidation of the Revenue Cutter and Life Saving Services, to bear the name "Coast Guard Service." He urged the building of two more revenue cutters and the appropriation for a leprosarium for the use of the Public Health Service.

He announced that the Treasury Department is making a study of the facilities of the parcel post in the transportation of money and securities between the treasury, sub-treasuries and banks. He points out that the total payments for such service to express companies during the last three years have averaged \$375,000 and expresses the hope that a plan for the use of the mails or their use in conjunction with the express companies can be worked out to effect a large saving and also to insure a much faster delivery service. He asks Congress once more to give him a contingent fund of \$20,000 to make effective investigations, eradicating abuses, etc.

Summaries of reports of his bureau chiefs are included in the report. U. S. Treasurer John Burke advises authorization of a \$5 gold certificate. The Revenue Cutter Service asks for a cutter for use near the Panama canal zone. Secretary McAdoo points out that the Federal Reserve Board will make a separate report. Estimates of Receipts and Payments Secretary McAdoo estimates the re-

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Receipts of the government for the fiscal year 1915, ending June 30, at \$28,000,000, including \$220,000,000 from customs and \$54,000,000 from the emergency war tax. Exclusive of the Panama canal, he places disbursements at \$710,000,000 for the current year. Counting upon \$28,000,000 for the current year of the treasury's general fund, he places the excess of disbursements at \$10,000,000.

For the fiscal year which ends June 30, 1916, Mr. McAdoo says he expects receipts amounting to \$735,000,000 with customs bringing \$240,000,000 and the emergency war taxes \$54,000,000. The Secretary places orders for expenditure for the fiscal year at \$713,765,105, with \$19,000,000 additional for the Panama canal, leaving a slight surplus.

In his estimates Mr. McAdoo puts the return from the income tax for the current fiscal year at \$80,000,000, \$40,000,000 each from individuals and corporations. For 1916 he expects the tax to produce \$85,000,000, half to be paid by individuals, half by corporations.

FACES 85 YEARS IN JAIL

Already Sentenced to 45, Now Prosecuted by Postal Authorities

Philadelphia, Dec. 9.—Sentenced on Monday in the Lehigh County Court to a prison term of 45 years for various robberies, which he was convicted of, J. H. Freyer, of Allentown, was brought here yesterday by postal inspectors, who say that he faces another prison sentence of 40 years for a chain of postoffice robberies. According to the inspectors, Freyer confessed robbing a number of postoffices in Bucks and Lehigh counties.

Freyer told the inspectors a weird tale of having been so haunted by several men during recent years because he possessed the secret of a buried temple, filled with gold, in the Sahara Desert. The secret, he said, was given him by an old man whose life he saved some years ago on the Erie Canal. Immediately afterward the men put in appearance and have followed him from place to place, torturing him in an effort to obtain the secret. The postal inspectors will have the man's mental condition inquired into.

Ran McKinley's Funeral Train

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 9.—John N. Unglaub, 69 years old, engineer of the train which carried President Garfield to Long Branch after he had been shot, and also the train that was used to transport the dead body of President McKinley to Canton, O., died here Monday.

Not at All

"Is this outdoor sleeping arrangement you propose tentative?" "Oh, no. You can take a shack if you don't like the tents."—Baltimore American.

Paris Playhouses

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NEW WAYS OF EVANGELISTS

Departure From Old-time Methods Has Been Made in Busy New York Streets

They certainly have speeded up the gospel wagon hereabouts, says an exchange, referring to New York City. Every one has seen the old-fashioned noontime evangelist at work. He usually stands upon a soap box, he is sometimes aided by a bunch of singers whose voices need immediate patching, and he is always earnest, but often regretfully greasy. Also, a good many of him have the habit of passing the hat by proxy before the wary audience can make his getaway.

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BRUMBAUGH IS MUM ON CABINET

Governor-elect, Back From South, Says His Mind Has Not Been on Politics

HE HAS BEEN STUDYING ROADS

Hopes to Improve Those of State Although, He Points Out, Law Prevails Floating of Special Highway Loans in His Administration

(Special to the Star-Independent.) Philadelphia, Dec. 9.—When Governor-elect Martin G. Brumbaugh returned to Philadelphia from Southern Pines yesterday, he showed that he didn't intend to do much talking before inauguration. Very pleasantly he evaded all questions concerning his Cabinet appointments, his program and his attitude toward the Republican leaders. He didn't even take the trouble to deny the rumors that have been going about with reference to certain places which he is supposed to have agreed to fill.

Leading questions directed at the Governor-elect, however, drew from him an inference that he is not going to start a fight with the leaders of the Republican Organization, at least for the present. He was asked first if he thought the party organization was essential to the success of his administration. "Organization," he said warily, "is necessary to all things. Without organization no results could be accomplished." Then he was asked about local option—whether he would use his power as executive to force the Legislature to pass a local option bill. He hesitated before replying to this, and finally said he didn't care to be quoted at this time. "Not Talking at Present" "In fact," he said, "I do not believe I should make any statement now. After I take office, I'll have plenty to say."

When asked about the make-up of his Cabinet, he replied:

"Honestly, that matter has not yet been decided upon in any particular. As a matter of fact, no names will be announced until January. While I was playing golf at Southern Pines, some people up here made up a Cabinet for me. So why should I worry? They seem to know more about it than I do. "I was down South for a month and enjoyed myself, resting most of the time. All the time I was there I did not see a politician or talk politics. I hardly thought about it. There is much work ahead for me and I want to be in shape to do my job well. If I had worried about things down there, I might not feel so well as I do." Dr. Brumbaugh looks extremely well. He is browned and rugged and all traces of fatigue left by the hard campaign of the fall have been eliminated. On his way North he stopped in Washington on Monday night to be the guest of Congressman William S. Vare at a banquet where he met the Pennsylvania delegation in Congress together with several noted House leaders.

Hopes to Improve the Roads

He said yesterday he meant every word of the speech he made on that occasion, when he said he intended to keep all his personal platform pledges, with the help of the Republican leaders, if possible, but without them, if necessary. One thing Dr. Brumbaugh seemed to want to talk about and that was roads. He said he had inspected a number of roads in North Carolina and had found them fine and cheap, being made of sand and clay. This kind of road, he pointed out, cannot be made in Pennsylvania, owing to the frost. He said he would give considerable time to the study of roads and the improvement of the roads of this State. "All improvements to roads during my administration," he said, "will have to be paid for out of current revenue. The \$50,000,000 road loan amendment to the Constitution was rejected by the people in 1913 and cannot be brought up again for four years. That makes it impossible to float road loans during my administration. However, I hope to do much to better the roads of the State."

Dr. Brumbaugh was asked if it was true that he intended to thoroughly reorganize the Highway Department of the State. "We will cross that bridge when we come to it," he replied.

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