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### THE DALLAS POST PROGRAM

The Dallas Post will lend its support and offers the use of its columns to all projects which will help this community and the great rural-suburban territory which it serves to attain the following major improvements:

1. A free library located in the Dallas region.
2. Better and adequate street lighting in Trucksville, Shavertown, Fernbrook and Dallas.
3. Sanitary sewage disposal system for Dallas.
4. Closer cooperation between Dallas borough and surrounding townships.
5. Consolidated high schools and better cooperation between those that now exist.
6. The appointment of a shade tree commission to supervise the protection and see to the planting of shade trees along the streets of Dallas, Shavertown, Trucksville and Fernbrook.
7. The formation of a Back Mountain Club made up of business men and homeowners interested in the development of local institutions, the organization of new ones and the development of a community consciousness in Dallas, Trucksville, Shavertown and Fernbrook.
8. A modern concrete highway leading from Dallas and connecting the Sullivan Trail at Tunkhannock.
9. The elimination of petty politics from Dallas borough council and all school boards in the region covered by The Dallas Post.
10. And all other projects which help to make the Back Mountain section a better place to live in.

### FARM BOYS AND GIRLS

There is only thing about the annual gathering of 4-H Club boys and sition that ought to be different. That girls at the National Livestock Expo is the fact that all of the city folks in the United States can't go to Chicago this week and see the kind of young folks the farms of America are bringing up today.

If we had our way about running this 4-H club affair, we'd arrange to pull off an exhibit of city youngsters at the same time and place and invite all of the cocktail-drinking city smart-Alecs, cigarette-smoking "society" women and snooty "modern" critics of everything that is sound and wholesome in America to come and compare the two groups.

We know which group would win. Our money would be down on the 4-H boys and girls.

Seriously, we feel that there is nothing whatever to worry about concerning the future of the United States, much less the future of American rural life, so long as the farms of the nation to continue to produce young men and young women of the types which make up the 4-H clubs. They call this annual show in Chicago a Livestock Exposition. It is that, of course, but it seems to us that by far the most important exhibit there is these healthy, industrious, energetic, enthusiastic, wholesome young people who are sent from every part of the country because they have won outstanding success in farming and home-making.

The country districts of the United States can challenge the cities to show their equal. We know of no comparable movement in the cities looking toward development of the qualities of Hand, Heart, Head and Health which are the four "H's" of the 4-H clubs. City youngsters may average "smarter" in dress and manners, though we question the latter. But the important things of life are not those which appear on the surface. It is character alone that counts, in the long run; and we know of no finer builder of fine character than the 4-H clubs.

### THE BLUE RIBBON OF COOKING

Sam H. Thompson, President of the American Farm Bureau Federation, has awarded the title of "Culinary Champion of All Farm Women Cooks in America" to Mrs. M. L. Friese, of Redwood Falls, Minnesota. Mrs. Friese won the first prize offered by the Federation for the best Thanksgiving dinner menu, in competition with some 500 other farm women in every part of the United States.

Mrs. Friese, we salute you! We've never met you, but we admire you. We admire anybody who can think up, let alone cook, such a dinner as the one for which you won the Farm Bureau prize. We like your dinner. That is to say, we like to read about it.

We are sorry we couldn't have been at your house on Thanksgiving Day to eat it. Not that we didn't have a god Thanksgiving Day dinner at our house; we did. In fact, one of the things we like about your dinner is that it was just such a typical American Thanksgiving dinner as nine-tenths of the country folks of American sat down to last Thursday—and a big percentage of city folks as well.

We are not prepared to admit that there are no cooks in our town who could have given Mrs. Friese a run for her money if they had entered the Farm Bureau contest. In fact, we know several ladies who, in our humble judgment, can make a cook stove perform more miracles than Edison ever dreamed of. And we feel that Mrs. Friese won this contest because she stuck to tradition and got up precisely the same kind of a Thanksgiving dinner that our own folks had.

There was turkey, of course. Can't have a real Thanksgiving dinner without turkey—with parsley dressing and giblet sauce. And cranberry ice and glazed sweet potatoes and mince pie and pumpkin pie, besides all the other vegetables and "fixings" that go to makeup a genuine old-fashioned Thanksgiving dinner. We just aren't going to put them down here. We'd starve to death waiting to get home to dinner if we didn't stop writing about good things to eat right now.

What we were starting out to say is that with all the new-fangled notions about balanced meals and reducing diets and vitamins and calories and such-like, we had been wondering the art of cooking wasn't coming a lost art, outside of the homes of those ladies we spoke about a little way back. It's not, praise be! The country is safe. There are still good cooks left in the land, and they know what a good dinner ought to consist of, and Mrs. Friese and the five hundred others who competed for the Farm Bureau are not all of them, by a long way.

### CHRISTMAS CAROLS

By Edmund Hamilton Sears

It came upon the midnight clear,  
That glorious song of old,  
From angels bending near the earth  
To touch their harps of gold;  
"Peace on the earth, good will to men  
From heaven's all-gracious King!"  
The world in solemn stillness lay  
To hear the angels sing.

Still through the cloven skies they come  
With peaceful wings unfurled,  
And still their heavenly music floats  
O'er all the weary world;  
Above its sad and lowly plains  
They bend on hovering wing,  
And ever o'er its Babel-sounds  
The blessed angels sing.

But with the woes of sin and strife  
The world has suffered long;  
Beneath the angel-strain have rolled  
The man at war with man, hears not  
The love-song which they bring;—  
Oh, hush the noise, ye men of strife,  
And hear the angels sing.

For lo! the days are hastening on,  
By prophet bards foretold,  
When with the ever circling years  
Comes 'round the age of gold;  
When Peace shall over all the earth  
Its ancient splendors fling,  
And the whole world give back the song,  
Which now the angels sing.

### THE JOY WAGON

Set Your Troubles Aside and Take a Ride

Student (leaving college): "Good bye, sir. I want to thank you for all I have learned from you."  
Professor: "Don't mention it—it's nothing at all."

Jones: "Describe your sister's new baby."  
Brown: "Small features, red-faced, clean-shaven and a hard drinker."

"What was your last occupation?"  
"An umbrella mender in the middle-west this summer."

"My razor's awfully dull, dear, I can hardly shave with it."  
"Why, Charles, you don't mean to tell me that your beard is tougher than the linoleum!"

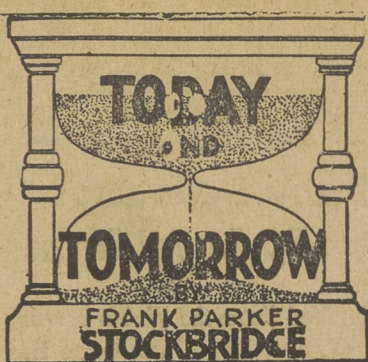
Joe: "How were your grades last quarter?"  
College: "Jules Verne."

Joe: "How's that?"  
College: "Twenty thousand leagues under the C."

Mrs. Gushing: "My daughter has wonderful musical talent. Where would suggest sending her for voice culture?"

Mrs. Gnashing (new neighbor across the hall, speaking very quickly): "Oh, by all means, send her abroad!"

Two microbes sat on a pantry shelf  
And watched, with expression pained,  
The milkman's stunts, and they both  
Said at once,  
"Our relations are getting strained."



### POLITICS

Both major parties are tightening their lines for the Presidential campaign of 1932. The Republicans know they have a fight on their hands to retain control of the Presidency; the Democrats believe that if they can agree upon a candidate acceptable to all sections of the country they can win easily.

That is frequently the situation two years before a Presidential election. It does not always follow that the "out" party wins over the "ins." Having possession of the machinery of Government is a great advantage.

At the moment it looks as if it will be more difficult for the Democrats to agree upon a candidate who can rally all Democrats to his support than for the Republicans to mend their political fences.

### JONES

"Bobby" Jones has at last answered the question: How can a man play golf all the time and still keep his law practice going? The answer is that he can't. Bobby is giving up golf, except as a means of recreation.

It remains to be seen whether Mr. Jones will do as well in law as he has done in golf. He has proved that he has the important quality of thoroughness. Those who know him say he has a natural taste for law, and high intelligence. He will not have the struggle for existence which so many young lawyers face, for while his amateur standing has kept him from making money out of his game, he is to get a sum, reputed to be a quarter of a million dollars, for making a series of educational films on "How I Play Golf." That ought to keep him going until he has established himself in law.

Probably Mr. Jones is doing only what his class and caste instincts and environment urge upon him. There are still too many people who think that being a lawyer is a more respectable way of making a living than being a golf professional. But it seems to me that we have too many lawyers now and not enough good sportsmen.

### BELASCO

David Belasco, a San Francisco Jew who dressed like a Roman Catholic priest, was the father of the modern realistic drama. He thought that people on the stage ought to act and talk the way people do in real life, and that the settings and furniture of the stage ought to make the scenes look like the sort of places they were supposed to represent.

Belasco's work in drama began about the time Mr. Edison invented the incandescent electric light. The electric light probably did as much as any other influence to change the drama from the old ranting pantomime into what it is today. It enabled the audience to see the actors clearly, and made facial expression and careful make-up more important than they had been.

Belasco was the first theatrical producer to realize the possibilities of electric lighting on the stage and to shape his productions with the new lighting in mind. Today everybody in the theatre business, including the movie producers, follow the principles which Belasco developed.

### PROHIBITION

All the reports from those who profess to know indicate that the President's Commission on Law Enforcement, better known as the Wickersham Commission, will report that the present Prohibition law cannot be enforced, and will recommend some changes.

There will be more serious attempts made at the coming session of Congress to break down the "dry" law than at any time since it was enacted. There is little likelihood of anything being accomplished by the "wets" at this last session of the 71st Congress, but if the Wickersham report proves to be friendly to the modification of the present law, watch for fireworks when the Congress just elected begins its sessions.

### FOOTBALL

It took the appeal of charity to bring the Army and Navy football teams together. For several years the annual Army-Navy game has been omitted, because of a quarrel over points of sportsmanship.

When the two teams meet in New York on December 13, it will be frankly for the purpose of helping to raise money for the relief of unemployment. Early estimates of the receipts indicate that they may run to a million dollars, or almost as much as the "gate" at the last Tunney-Dempsey fight.

It is a strange but interesting kink of human nature that people will pay fancy prices to see a football game for charity, who would never think of giving the same amount of money outright. As high as \$5,000 was offered for a box at the Yankee Stadium as soon as the Army-Navy engagement was announced.

### STOLEN KISS

Did I hurt you when I kissed you?  
I saw a hurt look in your eyes;  
Were you angry or just frightened?  
Tell me was it a surprise?

Did you really resent it,  
Or don't you really know?  
Are you satisfied and contented?  
Gee—I hope so.

Life is a game of give and take  
But it is better to give than receive,  
And I honestly believe  
That you'd rather give than take

We'll Get Him Back When We Pay

By Albert T. Reid



Because you are a good girl—still, if you want to return that little kiss, I'll take it back—I will.

—By Unknown.

### Day of the Gold Rush Is Over

Romance of Great Gold Filed Played An Important Part in World Development

By Caleb Johnson

"Gold, Gold, Gold, Gold—Hard to get, and heavy to hold." From the beginning of recorded time, the pursuit of gold has been perhaps the most fascinating occupation known to man. If the history of gold prospecting

were fully written, it would cover the entire history of adventure, discovery, and exploration. It was the pursuit of gold that brought the Spaniards to America and resulted in the settlement of this continent. The lure of gold drew the pioneers over the Rocky Mountains to California. The discovery of gold in Australia and in South Africa laid the foundation for the present control and prosperity of those regions.

The rewards are so great for the fortunate prospector who discovers a gold mine, that every new rumor of such a discovery starts a gold rush, in which thousands and tens of thousands risk everything in the hope of getting, not exactly something for nothing, but great wealth at little cost to themselves. It is a gamble, of course, for every such prospector, but it is a gamble in which those who win are not

taking anything away from those who lose.

But the great gold rushes of the past are matters of the dead and buried past, and there is now no likelihood of another great gold strike anywhere in the world. That is the considered opinion of the gold delegation of the League's experts say that in the next completed a world wide survey of the gold situation. Since the year 1915, there has been no increase in the annual production of gold, and the League's experts say that in the next ten years the annual supply of gold will have fallen off by at least 25 per cent.

The known gold fields of the world are becoming exhausted and almost the whole earth has been combed for new and undiscovered gold fields. There are a few points which have

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