

METHODIST CHOIR PRESENTS CANTATA SUNDAY EVENING

The Farmington Methodist Choir will present its annual Christmas cantata on Sunday, December 20, at 8:00 o'clock p.m. The selection for this year is "The Christ Child." The soloists will be Ivar Anderson, Mrs. Florence Schulz, Mrs. Edith Wilson, Roy Jones, Mrs. Alice Edwards, Edith Parker, Audrey Lathrop, Miss Richard, George Cox and Mrs. Cox, Pastor Stewart, Maurice Wilcox and Mrs. Florence Leach.

Mrs. Mabel Burdick is organist and Mrs. John W. Velch is director of the choir.

Sixteen Attend First Bible Class

Sixteen children attended the first Bible Class Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. August Terrell, 3339 Twelve Mile Road. The class is being taught by the Rev. Howard C. Busching and is open to all Bond School children eight years old or over.

The class meets each Thursday at 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Ladies Gym Class Resumes January 4

The Ladies Gym Class will not meet for the next two Monday evenings during the Christmas holidays, but will reconvene on Monday, January 4, at 7:30 p.m. in the School Gym. Let's all turn out in force and start getting ourselves in "shape" for spring.

A WEEKLY THOUGHT

Oh give me patience when we have hands,
Tug at me with their small demands—
And give me gentle words, and smiling eyes,
Do keep my lips from hasty, sharp replies,
And let not weariness, confusions, noise
Obscure my vision of life's fleeting joys.
So when in years to come my house is still
No bitter memories its rooms may fill.

—Amen.

The two billion pounds of grease and fats wasted annually in the U. S. would make glycerine for about 613,500 tons of dynamite, to grease skids for the Axis.



THIS WEEK AT YOUR LIBRARY

HOURS:
Wednesday—11:30 a. m. to 1:30 p. m.—3:00 p. m. to 8:00 p. m.
Saturday—2:00 p. m. to 9:00 p. m.

On Ice—Robert George Dean, William "Bill" Griffith was temporarily separated from his long time pal, Tony Hunter, due to an amusing peccadillo in Florida and a working for another agency trailing a slithering diamond agent who had the treasure house of a refugee Dutch girl to sell. The trail brought Bill to Walter Hager, officer—and there was Hager, fresh murdered and the diamonds.

It was a bit too much for William Griffith, so he called to Tony Hunter and the two of them were soon enmeshed in a criminal tangle that involved another murder, a suspicious client, nocturnal pot-shooting in a New York apartment house "garden" and a double barreled pay-off.

A "straight" detective story that will hold the reader until the last sentence and one that is pretty sure to keep him guessing that long, too.

Rig For Church—Captain William A. Maguire, "Rig for Church" is the thrilling life story of a chaplain in the United States Navy, and was with the Grand Fleet at Scapa Flow.

Continuing his odyssey with the United States Navy, he traveled around a troubled world and gave a fascinating, first-hand account of events and places which have contributed so much to recent, world-shaking history. His story closes with an intimate account of the never-to-be-forgotten attack on Pearl Harbor—where and account of his duty as an officer and chaplain in the United States Navy, in the full glory of its tradition. Here is the saga of a Catholic chaplain in the service of God and country, filled with human interest. In its picture of Navy life, this story is a career of devotion to God and man will bring a thrill of pride and provide human interest reading for every American reader.

The Long Ships Passing—Walter Havighurst, "The Long Ships" are unique in the geography of the earth, and they have a singularly dramatic story. For three hundred years the sounds of travel have echoed along their shores, from the voyagers' song and the seafarers' signal call to the deep-voiced steamers of today. From the seas of legend and wilderness waterways they have become one of the great trade routes of the world. "The Long Ships Passing" tells that story.

In the middle decades of the last century, the famous immigrant boats, their decks crowded with household goods and wagon wheels lashed to the rigging, carried multitudes of German, Irish and Scandinavian settlers to the western territories. The splendid passenger steamers of the same period and the gradually evolving freighters after the Civil War foreshadowed the Lake fleets of today. There is no lack of drama in this story; huge fires at the lumber ports, the discovery of iron and copper, the Great Freeze and the Big Storm all make for a thrilling and exciting story.

Young Man of Caracas—T. R. Ybarra, "The Young Man of Caracas" arrived in the world with a supreme indifference to the complexities arising from a union of South America with North America before the turn of the century. His mother was a Plymouth Rock Bostonian belle and his father a dashing young officer from Venezuela.

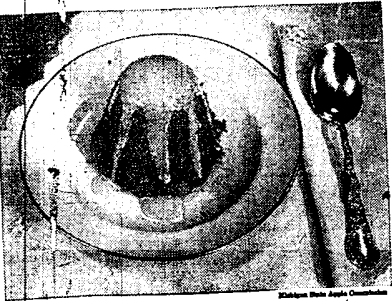
The exotic life he lived in his early years in Venezuela is a story more filled with entertainment than a shelf-full of stirring romances and more attractive about the South American way of life than a tome of political data. The General, Tommy's father, you will love for his gusto, inconsistencies and humanity. Nelly, his wife, who helps time the fiery General and raise her children in the good old

Boston fashion, in spite of their surroundings, is a picture of "Yessie" Sullivan, the faithful Irish maid and her struggles with her Latin wipers. A richly human book that sparkles with anecdotes throughout its pages.

Along with special cakes, candies, puddings and cookies that are prominent at the Holiday Season, there are special plants all trees that we associate with the holidays. The Balsam and Fir Trees are used for our Christmas Trees. Holly we use for wreaths and decorations; and the mistletoe is purely for decoration and merriment. Some folks would not think of doing without mistletoe at Christmas when they would a Christmas Tree. But it is one thing that many of us know very little about, so here are a few facts and superstitions connected with it.

Items of Interest to WOMEN

HOLIDAY APPLE PUDDING



Holiday Apple Pudding With Orange-Apple Juice Sauce. Puddings are so easy to make it's a good idea to know a wide variety so you can serve them in any season. This often-applied pudding, for instance, is a wonderful treat for the holidays. It has an appetizing flavor everyone will enjoy. And the orange-apple juice sauce that goes with it will put it at the head of the "special treat" list. You'll need:

1 cup sugar
2 tablespoons flour
1 cup apple juice
1/4 cup butter
1 egg, unbeaten
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 cup flour
1/4 teaspoon soda
1/4 teaspoon cinnamon
1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
1/4 cups chopped Michigan apples
1 tablespoon cream

Cream the butter and sugar thoroughly. Add the egg and beat well. Sift the dry ingredients and add to the first mixture, then add apples and lastly the cream. Fill well-greased individual molds half full and bake 30 minutes at 350 degrees F.

Serve warm with sauce made as follows:

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the plant, it must not touch the earth and that is thought to be the origin of the belief in the mistletoe high above our heads at Christmas time.

THE GARDEN PATH

The word "mistletoe" is derived from the Saxon word "Mistelea" meaning "different twig" when probably refers to the fact that the mistletoe is not the same as the host on which it grows.

The inappreciable flowers are followed by waxy white berries, by means of which the plant is propagated. These berries are eaten by birds and the berries contain a rather viscous substance, which causes the seeds to cling to the bird's beak. The bird wipes it's beak, to which the seed adheres, against the bark of the tree on which the bird alights. The seed germinates and attaches itself to the bark by means of the root-like structures by which the plant is anchored to the tree.

Mistletoe is the State Flower of Oklahoma.

THIS AND THAT—

Wish I had kept track of when the snow started to stay on the ground, seems as though it's been weeks and weeks.

I'll have to get acquainted with my husband again after this holiday rush is over—it's been work, then sleep, then more work.

Makes you feel warm and rosy all over when people are so willing to cooperate.

Have you ever rendered leaf-lard? It is easy and so much better than this packaged lard—cut it up in small chunks add a very small apple (cored) and small onion. Keep the fire very low and keep pouring the fat off as it melts down.

Nice clear bacon drippings make awfully good pie crusts.

With the less tender cuts of meat we will be getting braise, brown or cook in a small amount of water to preserve the essential juices and for better flavor.

Only one more week to do all those last minute details before the big event in all children's lives (and most adults too). So better hurry now.

EVANGELICAL CHURCH NEWS

The Sunday School has completed and mailed their Christmas boxes and sent them in the service from their church. Eleven boxes in all have been sent.

The choir is receiving congratulations on the success of their broadcast Sunday, December 14, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all their listeners.

A WORD TO THE WIVES

Hello there—it's nice to go visiting, but still it's nice to get home, except for one thing. The house is generally cold, as it is right now. So I'm all curled up in a chair and will write to you while waiting for the house to get warm before going to bed.

I wonder what you'd like to talk about if you were sitting across the room from me tonight. In fact I often wonder about that and wish I really knew. It would surely give me some ideas as to what to talk to you wives about from week to week.

So if our little chat becomes a little jumbled, lay it to the fact that I don't seem to be able to concentrate on any one thing for any length of time. Guess foremost in our minds is Christmas shopping. Mine is pretty well done, but it was a job this year. Just could not seem to get any good ideas. Then half the time you couldn't get what you wanted. But I finally got the lot of town box packed and ready to be shipped last night. And had lots of fun doing it. My gift friend was down and we wrapped gifts, sticking in an extra pack of cigarets here and a candy cane there, along with the regular gifts. Then came the packing of the box, with jars of home made jams and jellies tucked in and arranged securely (we hope). Heavy paper enclosed it all with waxes (or so it seemed) of twice going round and round the box. All ready to go now with lots of love.

It was a pleasant, homey evening. The kids will know from now on until the end of this "duration" that I like those cozy kind of evenings. They make for a warm companionship that can't be found in a noisy night club.

Our role of hostess, during these times, will mean planning more simple forms of entertaining. Rationing of foods will be one of the reasons, and gas rationing will mean cultivating the friendship of our townsmen and neighbors—and not a bad idea, I think. Give spontaneous invitations—those evenings generally turn out the best. Call up that friend and say, "I'll bring your spoon of coffee and ration of cheese, we'll play a few games of something or other and have a bite to eat." Sure it's against all rules of etiquette but who cares—it's fun. Then maybe some afternoon you might feel in the mood for dinner guests, so call up the best friend and say, "I'll bring your dinner over to our house tonight and we'll eat together." Along with the face of the maps being changed from day to day, our lives and mode of living will change. On a whole it will be for the best. It seems a shame that it takes trouble and worry to bring people closer together.

Here is a part from an article I read not so long ago. It was tell.

BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS

The monthly meetings of the Deacons, Deaconesses and Trustees was held on Monday evening, December 7. The remainder of the church was the principal subject of discussion in all the meetings.

The Leadership Training Class on Old Testament Law and History met on Tuesday evening, December 2. This class will continue to meet every Tuesday evening, unless conditions make it imperative to change.

Wednesday evening was the Midweek Service, with choir practice following at 8:30 with the rehearsal of Christmas selections.

Sunday, December 13, marked the observance of the Universal Bible Sunday at the morning service. There was a display of the Scriptures in various languages.

Reverend Fisher wishes it announced that the regular services of the church will all be continued unless gas rationing makes it necessary to change.

The Local Women's Union will have their Annual Christmas Party on Thursday, December 17. It will be held in the church beginning at 1:30 p.m. All the ladies of the community are most cordially invited.

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