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COUNTY AGENT COLUMN C. P. Milham

The county agent wishes to take this opportunity of wishing everyone a Happy Christmas.

Coming Events.

December 20—Gleaner installation at hall on Meadow road, 8 p. m.
January 6—Gleaner Federation at Reno town hall.

Short Courses at M. A. C.
Dairy course, Jan. 5-Feb. 27.
Horticultural course, Jan. 5-Feb. 27.
Poultry Husbandry, Jan. 5-30.
General Agriculture, Jan. 5-Feb. 27.
Gardening Course, Feb. 9-20.
Bee Keeping Course Feb. 16-27.
Farm Engineering Course Mar. 1-26

1st Truck and Tractor, Feb. 2-28.
2nd Truck and Tractor, Mar. 1-27.
FARMERS WEEK, Feb. 2-6.

Let the county agent know about your meetings at least a week in advance, so he can include them in this column weekly.

Are you prepared to answer all the questions which will be asked you when the census taker comes to your house. Did you know that you will be asked more than 200 questions. Questions concerning the operator, owner, acreage, use of land in 1919, value, encumbrance, expenses, drainage, animals, production, facilities, crops, vegetables and fruits will be asked. The county agent has a number of sample schedules. If you wish to aid the census taker and learn something of your own business, secure one at the office in the court house. The number is limited.

Secretary of Agriculture D. F. Houston states this to the people of the nation in his recommendations: "The doing of everything that legitimately can be done to eliminate waste and abuses in marketing and to promote orderly distribution. Expansion of existing marketing activities and

facilities, including especially the extension of the market news and food products extension services, and the assignment of specialists to each state to aid cooperative associations."

Michigan has a marketing specialist who organizes and aids cooperative associations. Mr. Hale Tenant, one of the most beneficial men in the state today, aids in the expansion of marketing facilities and aids in the formation of cooperative organizations. The Michigan Potato Growers Exchange has always been backed by the state marketing specialist and the U. S. department of agriculture. It is an organization with a purpose and it is carrying out that purpose in an excellent way. County agents throughout the state are well acquainted with this organization, and will furnish information to farmers or groups of farmers who wish to know more about this great organization. When you are ready the county agent will organize you.

The county agent will spend Christmas week with his parents at Kalamazoo.

TRI-COUNTY Y. M. C. A. NOTES A. R. Gold, Secretary

Poultry Show at Schmidt Farm.
The poultry exhibit planned for members of the Tri-County Poultry Club will take place next Tuesday, Dec. 23. Those who can drive up and take their birds with them will find that the best way. Others may have to express their birds the day before in order to have them there in time. Some who cannot go may have to send their birds in care of a neighbor.

Inter-Church World Movement.

Mr. Ort, field secretary of Indiana, who called on the county secretary on Tuesday last, says that the rural survey in this county is coming splendidly and is ahead of a number of Michigan counties. The movement is sweeping over Indiana in a wonderful way and is received with enthusiasm by those who have taken the trouble to find out what it is.

Community Singing and Christmas Trees.

Several community Christmas trees are being planned for different parts of the county, and singing of the old Christmas songs will take place out of doors if the weather permits, or inside in case it is stormy. Announcements will be made through the churches.

PRESCOTT STOCK WINS AGAIN.

At the recent International Live Stock Exposition held in Chicago Nov. 29 to Dec. 6, the shorthorns from the Richland Farms, owned by C. H. Prescott & Sons won eight prizes, as follows:
4th prize on bull 2 years old and under three.
12th prize on junior yearling bull.
6th prize on senior bull calf.
3rd prize on junior bull calf.
12th prize on senior yearling heifer.
12th prize on junior heifer calf.
8th prize on 4 calves by one sire.
10th prize on calf herd.

Over 500 Shorthorns were shown at this exposition and the classes numbered all the way from 15 to 35 in each class. The third prize junior bull calf was sold during the show to Dean J. H. Skinner for the Purdue University herd at Lafayette, Ind. Dean Skinner and his helpers were the ones who produced the grand champion steer in 1917 and 1918.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM AT THE M. E. CHURCH.

A Christmas program will be given at the M. E. church Thursday evening, Dec. 25. All are cordially invited. Following is the program:

Song.....Choir
Prayer.....Rev. E. E. McMichael
Opening Address.....Charles Colby
"The Star".....Primary Class
Song.....Choir
Recitation.....Martha Bowen
Recitation.....Ferris Brown
Dialogue, "The Shepherds Who Heard the Song"
Recitation.....Frank McMichael
Song by two Intermediate Classes
Recitation.....Edward Berlin
Dialogue....."Wishes"
Recitation.....Lucile Snyder
Solo and Chorus
Recitation.....Florence McMichael
Dialogue....."Gifts to the King"
Recitation.....R. B. Heath
Dialogue, "Christmas in Other Lands"
Recitation.....Billie Bowen
Song....."Silent Night"

BROWN—BLUST.

A very unusual wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Berlin last Saturday night, Dec. 13, when Miss Luella Brown was united in marriage to Mr. Fred Blust.

The ceremony was performed at 11 p. m., Rev. E. E. McMichael officiating and the ring service being used. The wedding supper was served at midnight.

Though starting late at night, we wish the young couple a long and happy married life.

THE CHRIST CHLD

Across the snow the home lights glow
From the myriad hearts alight,
And through the street with noiseless feet
The Christ-child walks tonight.

At silent gates, outside He waits,
To find a fitting spot,
Be thine the shame, if through thy
The Christ-child enters not.

Where joyous notes from children's throats
The old glad song begin,
Where love impels and kindness dwells,
The Christ-child enters in.

Where hate has room, pride sits in gloom,
And wrong invokes unrest,
Though green the walls had bright the halls,
He cannot be a guest.

But where the thought that angels brought
To earth's enraptured ears
Good will to men and peace, again
The Christ-child, listening, hears.

He turns His feet with welcome sweet,
Enters, and there abides,
Angels know best how such are blest
Through all the Christmastides.



CHRISTMAS FACTS IN BRIEF

Day Celebrated as Christian Festival for Centuries—Holly Once a Sacred Plant.

Christmas day is the anniversary of the birth of Christ, and has been celebrated as a Christian festival for several centuries. The Christmas tide lasts from the 25th of December to the 6th of January, the twelfth day after Christ's nativity.

The origin of the Christmas tree is obscure; the thought of Christ as the Light of the World and the Tree of Life may have given rise to the light-bearing tree, or the popular old belief that every Christmas eve, trees blossomed and bore fruit, may have been the foundation of the custom.

Gift-giving is, of course, the echo of the Wise Men's gifts; and mince pie, turkey and plum puddings are modern relics of the pagan feasts. Santa Claus, known to every child in every land in this old world is the personification of the spirit of loving and giving.

The holly, synonymous of Christmas, was a sacred plant, and the mistletoe a mysterious plant, supposed by the ancient Druids to have some mystic power of healing and preventing misfortune. It was never allowed to touch the ground, hence the modern superstition that it is unlucky for a mistletoe bough to fall from its place. It was dedicated to the Goddess of Love, which explains the custom of kissing under the mistletoe.

WHERE ARE THE LIBERTY BONDS?

Where are the liberty bonds of yester year? Who remembers those intensely patriotic gentlemen who arose in theatres and moving picture houses and called out their bids in thousand dollar lots? Great applause!

There were others who took a measly fifty or hundred dollar bond, which they paid for on the instalment plan. These people still have their bonds. It is different with those other purchasers, who bought "spectacular" bonds. According to the Federal Reserve bulletin \$6,500,000,000 of liberty bonds, victory notes and treasury certificates were owned outright and held as collateral for loans in the banks of

the country on June 30, 1919. This vast amount of bank credit has been manufactured and put in circulation as purchasing power. The figures serve to explain the great increase in the wealth of the country, which is reflected in a large measure in the increases in prices for commodities and labor.

Jerusalem's Walls.

Jerusalem is inclosed by a wall 3811 feet in height with 34 towers, forming an irregular quadrangle of about two and a half miles in circumference. The old wall as rebuilt by Nehemiah about 445 B. C. is thought to have been something more than 150 feet high and at least 250 feet high at the corner towers.

Christmas Gifts

Christmas Jewelry
Christmas Watches
Christmas Clocks
Christmas Silverware

Only four more Shopping Days. See us for a full assortment at reasonable prices. You cannot guess—you must see our line.

L. L. JOHNSON
Tawas City JEWELER Michigan

Suggestions for Christmas

AT TAYLOR'S

AS USUAL, SAME AS FORMER YEARS, SANTA CLAUS HAS AGAIN DECIDED TO MAKE OUR STORE HIS HEADQUARTERS. TIME NOR SPACE DOES NOT GIVE US THE OPPORTUNITY TO ENUMERATE THE NUMEROUS CHOICE SELECTIONS TO BE SECURED AT OUR STORE THE COMING YULETIDE SEASON, BUT YOU ARE ASSURED OF THE USUAL COMPLETE STOCK WITH MANY NEW THINGS ADDED THAT WE WERE UNABLE TO PROCURE DURING THE WAR TIME PERIOD. A FEW SUGGESTIONS

Toys of All Kinds, Two Beautiful Assortments of Nippon China, No Two Pieces Alike
Books in Popular Copyrights, Also Gift Books and Picture Books for Children
Dolls in Endless Variety, Brush and Comb Sets, Manicure Sets, Smoking Sets, Music Bags, Chocolate Sets
Beautiful Christmas Cards With Envelopes, Stickers and Tags
Also Some Staples That are Always Useful, Blankets, Gloves and Mittens, Bath Robes, Fancy Turkish Towels
Men's Neckwear, Suspenders, and Hose Supporters in Fancy Holiday Boxes
Last But Not Least is Our Line of Handkerchiefs Which is the Best Ever Shown

SHOP EARLY WHEN WE HAVE TIME TO WAIT ON YOU AND DON'T WAIT FOR THE RUSH THE LAST MINUTE. OUR STORE WILL BE OPEN EVENINGS UNTIL CHRISTMAS FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE

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Chas. A. Cottrell

R. D. 2 Tawas City

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Laying a Carpet.
In laying a carpet in a room where there is a fireplace, the section covering the fireplace or hearth should be cut down its center by the shears, and then the carpet should be cut toward the sides, so as to form two flaps, which should be turned under.

JOHN W. WEED, M. D.
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A RETRACTION
To Whom it May Concern:
I wish to state to the public that the story which I told to the prosecuting attorney and the sheriff of Iosco county, in which I said that Kenneth Pringle, Louis Chapelle and myself stole chickens from Charles Woyhan and George Woyhan, is not true. I also told others the same story, and in justice to Mr. Chapelle and Mr. Pringle I want to say that I was scared into making such a statement, and those who caused me to make such a statement wanted to get revenge upon the two gentlemen named. I further say that they were not with me at any time stealing chickens and I hereby retract said false statement.
Donald McIvor.
Dated Dec. 10, 1919. adv

When you speak well of others you forge a bright and unbreakable link in your own reputation. Think it over.

PRETTY LEGEND OF CHRIST
Old-Folk Tale Relates That Stars Danced and Birds Sang on Day of His Birth.

When the child of Nazareth was born the sun, according to the Bosnian legend, "leaped in the heavens and the stars around it danced. A peace came over mountain and forest. Even the rotten stump stood straight and healthy on the green hillside. The grass was bedewed with open blossoms, incense sweet as myrrh pervaded upland and forest, birds sang on the mountain top and all gave thanks to the great God."

It is naught but an old-folk tale, but it has truth hidden at its heart, for a strange, subtle force, a spirit of genial good will, a new-born kindness, seem to animate child and man alike when the world pays its tribute to the "heaven-sent youngling," as the poet, Drummond, calls the infant Christ.

When the three wise men rode from the east into the west on their saddle-bows were three caskets filled with gold and frankincense and myrrh, to be laid at the feet of the manger-craddled babe of Bethlehem. Beginning with this old, old journey the spirit of giving crept into the world's heart. As the magi came bearing gifts, so do we also; gifts that relieve want, gifts that are sweet and fragrant with friendship, gifts that breathe love, gifts that mean service, gifts inspired still by the star that shone over the City of David 2,000 years ago.

Then hang the green coronet of the Christmas tree with glittering baubles and jewels of flames; heap offerings on its emerald branches; bring Yule logs to the firing; deck the house with holly and mistletoe.

"And all the bells on earth shall ring On Christmas day in the morning."
—Kate Douglas Wiggin.

TO TRIM A CHRISTMAS TREE

Pretty Trimmings and Decorations Can Be Made in Almost Any Home at Slight Expense.

As to trimming the Christmas tree, first of all, don't trim your tree with cotton batting and lighted candles, as there is always danger in this combination, and "safety first" should be the slogan in all Christmas festivities.

You can purchase a whole lot of pretty decorations for your tree at the shops, and these come very cheaply, too. But almost any home can furnish the decorations for a really lovely tree without very much expense, and there is no reason why every family where there are children should not have their Christmas tree.

Strings of popcorn and red cranberries looped from the branches make an effective decoration. And strings of yellow field corn gleam beautifully in the Christmas light. Crescents, stars and hearts cut from heavy cardboard and covered with silver and gilt, or even colored paper, and cornucopias of bright colors filled with candy and popcorn are very pretty. Form cotton batting into balls the size of an orange and cover with orange-colored crepe paper, twist tightly and tie to the tree with a bit of narrow ribbon. These are pretty on the tree and look like oranges.

It is best to place all the larger packages under the tree, tying only the smaller gifts which are tied up in bright-colored paper to the branches. In this way the tree will not look frayed and denuded when the gifts are distributed, and it may be kept a long time for the children to enjoy.

USE OF EVERGREENS.

The use of evergreens at Christmas time is older than the Christmas tree, the Christians seeming to have copied it from their pagan ancestors. In a very old book we find this reference to the use of evergreens at Christmas time: "Against the feast of Christmas every man's house, as also their parish churches, were decked with holme, ivy, bayes, and whatsoever the season of the year afforded to be green. The conduits and standards of the streets were likewise garnished; among which I read that in the year 1414, by tempest of thunder and lightning, toward the morning of Candlemas day, at the Leadenhall, in Cornhill, a standard of tree, being set up in the midst of the pavement, fast in the ground, nalled full of holme and ivy, for disport of Christmas to the people, was torn up and cast down by the malignant spirit (as was thought), and the stones of the pavement all about were cast in the streets and into divers houses, so that the people were sore aghast at the great tempest."

HYMN FOR CHRISTMAS.

Oh! lovely voices of the sky
Which hymned the Saviors birth,
Are ye not singing still on high,
Ye that sang "Peace on earth?"
To us yet speak the strains
Wherewith in time gone by
Ye blessed the Syrian swains,
Oh! voices of the sky!

Oh! clear and shining light whose beams
That hour heaven's glory shed,
Around the palms and o'er the streams,
And on the shepherd's head,
Be near, through life and death,
As in that holiest night
Of hope and joy and faith—
Oh! clear and shining light!
—Felicia Hemans.

A Rather Vague Order.

A Wisconsin boy wrote to Santa Claus as follows: "I would like a air rifle, a pair of Indianapolis a mouth organ a christmas tree and some candy and nuts that is all a game of checkers for." It's a little vague, but we hope Santa will be able to fill the order.

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We are making Spring Wheat Flour at the mill. We have Buckwheat and Rye Flour.

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SPECIAL NOTICE
The Herald recently received notice of a forty per cent increase in the price of our ready to print service, same to take effect immediately. In view of this, together with other steadily increasing costs of making a newspaper, it becomes imperative that all subscriptions be paid promptly in advance. Some of our subscribers have been negligent in this matter, and those in arrears are hereby notified that on Jan. 1, 1920, and on the first of each month thereafter, the names of those who are not paid in advance will be removed from our mailing list. Better look at your label and see if you are paid in advance and if not remit at once, as no statement will be sent you.

First Moving Picture.
The first real moving picture was produced by C. Franc Jenkins, a stenographer at the treasury department, Washington, and shown by him at Richmond, Ind., his home town, on June 6, 1894. The picture portrayed a butterfly costume dance performed by a vaudeville artist named Annabelle, who received \$5 for her work.

WANTS, FOR SALE, ETC

Lost—Crank for Dodge car. Finder please notify August Luedtke, Tawas City. 52-pd

Team and harness sold cheap if taken at once. Inquire of Geo. Lanski, Tawas City. 2-pd

For Sale—Mouse colored mare 11 years old, harness, wagon and buggy. Call at my residence after four o'clock p. m. M. A. Sommerfield, Tawas City, Mich. 49-tf

For Sale—In East Tawas, nine room house in good condition with cellar and city water. Two lots, also barn. Second house north Presbyterian church. Mrs. Bert Thomas. 2-pd

Wanted—Ladies of pleasing personality and neat, attractive appearance to represent us in each locality; no bond required. W. S. Watson, Dept. 127, 202 Park Bldg, Detroit, Mich. 3

For Sale—40 acres, good house and barn, 30 acres cleared. Small payment down, potato contract, \$1.00 bu. potatoes will take care of payments. Immediate possession. W. M. McCaskey, Tawas City. 1-pd

For Sale—Six horse power kerosene or gasoline engine, practically new, two pulleys 8x12 in., saw frame and set of heavy sleighs. All in good running order. Inquire of Anthony Anschuetz, 1202 N. Jefferson Ave., Bay City, Mich. 4-pd

Stray Stock—Strayed from pasture in Grant township, 1 2 year old heifer black with white tail and feet, spot in face; 1 black heifer, white tip on tail, white spot in face, white spot on belly. Anyone knowing of these heifers please notify Elza Laidlaw or L. H. Braddock, Tawas City. 52-tf

For Sale—1 Top buggy, 1 McCormick mower, set of spring tooth drags, set of spike tooth drags, 1 Ohio riding cultivator, 1 set of double harness, 1 Iowa cream separator (used 5 weeks), 1 ten barrel water tank, 1 team of geldings 7 and 8 years old, weight 2300 lbs., 1 Portland cutter. Geo. W. McCordell. 2

Farm For Sale—150 acres, 70 acres under cultivation, 24 acres of fall plowing done. Good nine room house, two large barns and other outbuildings. Located two miles from Tawas City, and only 80 rods from good school. For price and terms inquire of M. A. Sommerfield, Tawas City, Mich. 49-tf

Christmas Dinner

Our store is filled with good things for the Christmas Dinner. We have a fine line of Staple and Fancy Groceries, Meats, Fruit and Candies and special good things for the Christmas Table. Let us supply your wants.

Holiday Greetings See Santa Claus!

We extend our sincere greetings for the holiday season to you. He will be at our store Christmas Eve, watch for him boys and girls.

E. L. Moeller, Jr.
Tawas City, Mich.

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Gold Rings	Gillette Razors
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Chest of Silver	Scarf Pins
Lavellers	Cigarette Cases
Waterman Pens	Fraternal Emblems
Cameo Brooches	Pocket Knives
Hat Pins	Charms
Thimbles	Rings
Rosaries	
Hull Umbrellas	Thermos Bottles

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An Appreciation

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