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## PARCEL POST ENTERTAINMENT

Out of Sympathy for the Rural Carriers We Publish Some Parcel Post Don'ts.

Don't ask the rural carrier to do errands for accommodation, for he is prohibited from carrying any thing that is not mailable and if mailable it must be properly stamped.

Don't fail to buy stamps in advance of your needs, for the department does not require a carrier to take your stamped letters they are wrapped with the money or the money placed in an envelope or other receptacle.

Don't fail to notify your carrier if he has made a mistake with your mail. He ought to know and should think you of "telling him."

Don't try to use ordinary stamps; the distinctive parcel post stamps must be used.

Don't seal your package; wrap and tie securely.

Don't forget that the name of the sender must be on the outside of the package.

Don't forget to mark your package "Perishable," when the contents are perishable.

Don't forget to mark your package "Fragile" when it contains breakable articles.

Don't forget to buy insurance for 10 cents; it insures up to \$50.

Don't try to send a package weighing over seven pounds or measuring more than twenty-two inches in combined length and girth.

Don't try to register a parcel post package.

Don't forget that the parcel post now exceeds fourth-class matter and requires the distinctive stamps.

Don't try to send whiskey or dynamite by parcel post. One is too tempting, perhaps, to the handling force, and the other too dangerous.

Don't forget that the prohibition against pistols and revolvers has been raised.

Don't forget that you are on the safe side when you refrain from mailing by parcel post those things which are mailed in the mails by statute.

Don't forget that eggs must be securely packed, in the covers at least, when mailed for a distant point.

Don't forget there is no C. O. D. or Special Delivery feature yet in the parcel post.

Don't forget that both postal employees and patrons are human. Let both have patience until the parcel post gets started.

Don't forget, rural carriers, that all business originating on your route rebounds to your individual credit and the credit of the rural carrier body is general.

Don't forget, rural patrons, to let your box parallel to the road and have it in good condition. The rural carrier's labors are now increased.

Don't forget to place letters and packages for the rural carrier in position easily accessible to him. He has no time to wait.

Don't forget to ask questions regarding the parcel post when you are in doubt. All postal employees are expected to give mutual assistance.

Don't forget that parcels weighing four ounces and under are mailable at 1 cent per ounce regardless of distance.

Don't forget that seeds, cuttings, bulbs and roots are mailable under a special rate one-cent for two ounces.

Don't forget that cut flowers, dried plants, not susceptible of propagation go under the regular rates.

Don't forget that parcels collected on Sunday routes must be deposited in the first postoffice at which the carrier arrives.

Don't seal packages or otherwise close it against inspection. In this event it will be treated as fire-insurance matter.

Don't forget that a parcel containing two or more classes of mail is mailable at the higher rate.

Don't forget that in measuring a package to do so at the extreme ends and at its greatest girth.

Don't accept turpentine for parcel post mail. It is prohibited by statute. The same applies to matches, kerosene oil, benzine, and denatured alcohol.

Don't accept anything for the parcel post with a bad odor, such as, guano. This is prohibited by statute also.

Don't try to send fresh meat out of the first zone. This is another prohibition.

Don't stop parcel post matter lacking sufficient postage in transit. This is somebody else's trouble.

### Hints for Housekeepers.

Keep Foley's Honey and Tar Compound always on hand, and you can quickly head off a cold by its prompt use. It contains no opiates, heals and soothes the inflamed air passages, cures the cough, and may save a bad doctor's bill in the yellow packages. Sold by all druggists.—Advertisement.

### FARMER'S ATTENTION.

Everybody's attention. Sells every thing and any thing, anywhere or any place. Ready day or night. Guarantee to give satisfaction or no pay.

R. T. ROBINSON, Birmingham, 10 Mar. 1913

**Florence Gertrude Ruthven, New York's Favorite Society Entertainer Comes to B'ham.**

The people of Birmingham will have an opportunity of hearing Florence Gertrude Ruthven, New York's favorite society entertainer, on Friday evening Jan. 24, at the Johnston-Shaw hall.

This talented artist comes here under the auspices of the entertainment committee of Birmingham Lodge No. 547, O. U. F., and the lodge is to be congratulated for securing such high class talent for its concert.

The leading critics of the country, pronounce Miss Ruthven work as wonderful, and when you stop to think that she has filled Carnegie hall in New York City, and Massey hall in Toronto, Canada, (possibly the largest concert hall in North America) it is certainly a marvelous tribute to this talented woman's ability as an entertainer.

There are a large number of highly cultured people living in Birmingham who will welcome this announcement for on Friday evening Jan. 24, they can enjoy a rare literary and musical treat at home, thus saving the time, expense, and trouble of a trip to Detroit.

The entertainment will conclude with a dance, and tickets can be procured now from the Rebekah ladies or any of the lodge members at \$5, which entitles the purchaser to the dance after the concert.

### Drives Off a Terror.

The chief cause of death in the winter and spring months is pneumonia. Its advance agents are cold and grippe. In any attack by one of these maladies no time should be lost in taking the best medicine obtainable to drive it off.

Countless thousands have found that to be Dr. King's New Discovery. "My husband believes it has kept him from having pneumonia three or four times," writes Mrs. George W. Place, Rawsonville, Vermont, "and for coughs, colds and croup we have never found its equal." Guaranteed for all bronchial affections. Price 50c and \$1.—Trial bottle free at C. J. Shain's and J. W. Cobb's.—Advertisement.

### BIRMINGHAM SCHOOL NOTES.

Semester examinations will be held next week in all the rooms. The new half year will begin Monday, February 18.

The two sleighride class parties planned for last Friday evening turned out to be very successful, but the fact that it was in any way detracted from the good time enjoyed by both classes.

The Juniors were entertained most delightfully at home of Miss Katherine MacGillivray.

Mr. Percival attended this party. The Freshman class met at the home of Sid Bird and has such a glorious time that they are already planning for another when the snow comes.

Miss Colvin and Miss Gentry accompanied the class.

The graduating class of January 13, of the Central High School in Detroit presented the comedy, "The Elopement of Ellen," on Monday evening.

As this play has been selected by the Birmingham Sent as their class play, those who are to take part were down to see it as presented by the Central students. They found that the play was more than met their expectations and all are looking forward to beginning work in the play as soon as examinations are well over.

Miss Irwin of the first grade is ill with tonsillitis and will not return to school until the last of the week.

The Literary Society will repeat the program given last Thursday, on Wednesday evening, January 22nd.

On account of the bad weather, many wished to hear this program were unable to attend.

Mr. Wakefield addressed the child of the second and third grade on Friday afternoon. He told them a lovely story of "The Land of the Half Forgotten."

The children enjoyed the afternoon very much.

### Cut the High Cost of Living.

W. H. Chapman, Winnebago, Neb., tells how he did it. "My two children had a very bad cough and the doctor's medicines did them no good. I bought a bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar Compound, and before it was all used the children were free and cured of their cough."—Advertisement.

### BIRMINGHAM BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES.

Sunday morning preaching services at 10 o'clock.

Sunday school at 11:15 a. m.

B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 p. m. Subject, "Africa." Leader, Mrs. V. Voelckers.

Sunday evening preaching services at 7:30 o'clock.

The interest in the special meetings was such last week that it was felt it would be a mistake to close them. And they continue this week also. A number have been converted and baptized and others have expressed their desire to take the same step. An urgent invitation is given to all to attend the services.

G. L. Conley, pastor.

### Escaped After 15 Years.

W. P. Brice made a successful escape after 15 years of suffering from kidney and bladder troubles. Foley's Honey and Tar Compound helped him and will do just the same for others. He says: "They cured a most severe backache with bladder irregularities, and they do all you claim for them." Refuse substitutes. Sold by all druggists.—Advertisement.

### ADVERTISED LETTERS.

List of letters remaining uncalled for at Birmingham post office on Jan. 24, 1913.

Mr. Forrest Deane, Ernest Williams, Verna May Miller, Miss Grace Feaster, John F. Peters, Bell Phone 145, if

## SPECIAL NOTICE!

### National Progressive Party!

ENROLLMENT DAY IS JANUARY 25. BOOKS FOR BLOOMFIELD ENROLLMENT ARE AT COBB'S DRUG STORE. THE LAW REQUIRES THAT THERE MUST BE 20 PER CENT OF THE LAST VOTE CAST ENROLLED FOR A TICKET TO BE PLACED IN THE FIELD. ALL PROGRESSIVES SHOULD THEREFORE SEE THAT THEIR NAMES ARE ENROLLED AS PROGRESSIVES. THIS IN THE ONLY ENROLLMENT DAY—JANUARY 25

## A BAD ACCIDENT FROM THE SOUTH

**E. W. Argus and Fenton J. Watkins Receive Bad Injuries, When Scaffold Broke.**

Thursday, Jan. 10, Mr. E. W. Argus, contractor and builder, and Mr. Fenton J. Watkins, were working on Mr. Argus' new house at the foot of Stanley avenue. About 2:30 p. m. the scaffold broke, both men falling a distance of about 20 feet.

Mrs. Wager hearing screams, sent her little girl to tell Mrs. Watkins that her son was hurt. Mr. Charles Schuler was the first to arrive and was trying to get Mr. Watkins out of the puddle of water into which he had fallen, when his father came. Mr. Watkins was placed on a door and taken to his home in the doctor's auto, but it was half an hour before he regained consciousness.

Before he arrived Mr. Argus managed to crawl over to where Mr. Watkins laid and removed a plank which had fallen across his face.

Mr. Argus sustained a broken ankle and a bad cut on the hip caused by an open knife in his pocket.

Mr. Watkins had several bones broken, his right arm, both bones broken, at the elbow joint, both bones just above the wrist, the right thigh broken about one-half inch below joint, the muscles on his right shoulder torn, face badly cut about chin, nose broken and other minor injuries.

At first he was unable to see out of his right eye, but at this writing, he is able to distinguish light and dark objects.

Although a great sufferer, everything that medical skill can do is being done for his comfort. Dr. Shaw is attending Mr. Watkins, and Drs. Campbell and Hilly are attending Mr. Argus.

When a shameful plot exists between liver and bowels to cause distress by refusing to act, take Dr. King's New Life Pills, and end your state of uneasiness. They gently compel right action of stomach, liver and bowels, and restore your health and good feelings. 25c at C. J. Shain's and J. W. Cobb's.—Advertisement.

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**Read, Head and Act.**

George H. Mitchell, ex-druggist of Birmingham, says: "Lambert & Lowman's White Pine and Red Spruce Cough Balsam during 25 years of my drug business sold most and gave the best satisfaction of any kind I ever handled. One good old lady declared that two 25c bottles cured her daughter of consumption."—Advertisement.

**FLUATATIONS.**

BY A. W.

He was a gay deceiver and he boarded near Big Beaver. The way he fooled the women was a shame. Old or young, fat, thin or thirty, be they clean or he they dirty, he never failed to get 'em just the same. 'Tough his history was hard, he set the girls all crazy and the boys were thinking suicide or worse. When they talked the matter over they said he was a rover and their conversation ended with a curse. But he that said may, retribution came one day. It came in the form of a case without fail. Now he's thinking o'er his crimes and causing some at times, and he's boarding with the sheriff at the jail; for his wife from Cheesecake came and didn't do a thing but mix up with his sweethearts one and all, the boys were very happy and talking very snappy, they will never cease to wonder at his gall.

**H. F. Daniels and Wife are Hitting for the Sunny South, and Writes Us From Tennessee.**

Chattanooga, Tenn., Jan. 18, 1913.

Hello, Geo. H. Mitchell.

This you George? Well, I told you that I would call on you. Yes, here we are, all O. K. We left our Wednesday eve and got into Cincinnati Thursday morning. Lol and behold the great flood of the Ohio river; the water was 10 feet deep in the Union depot and up to the same as would be Woodbridge street in Detroit, Mich. The store where I worked one winter, in 1867, the first floor was nearly all under water.

All trains were held up at the C. H. L. Junction one-half mile north of C. H. L. depot. At this point, all out-going trains were made up, the U. S. mail and trunks were piled on the ground here and there, over about 10 acres of railroad tracks, why George, you never saw such a mix-up, still for all we arrived here Thursday night all ok and was glad to get a chance to wash up at one old hotel, The Rodman.

The weather is like April at home, with windows up to get the refreshing air. Say George don't say anything about this; when I get a chance I will send Frank Blakelee, the half of a Razor back hog to be divided between himself, Nate Fall, and Sam Masters, and I want you to see that they get a square deal. I will ship by parcel post, delivery C. O. D. When made up to bacon it is worth in the New York market 35c per pound, so you see it is worth good money.

Say George, call me up at Birmingham, Ala., one week to-day, and I will be there to do my part.

Good-bye.

H. F. DANIELS and wife.

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Friday a. m., January 24, to Saturday Night, February 1, Inclusive

Package Granulated Sugar, \$0.25  
1-2 lb. Delicious Tea, .25  
3 lbs. Best Head Rice, .25  
Large pkg Oats, or bulk, .25  
Pound Candy, your choice, .20

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