

REPORT INCREASE IN POSTAL WORK

James W. Cobb, Postmaster,
Shows Large Stamp Sale,
More Deliveries

The Birmingham Post Office did very good business during 1935, according to James W. Cobb, postmaster. A \$4,420.71 increase in stamp sales over those of 1934, in spite of the market depression and the fact that Bloomfield Hills business was taken away during the year, is a very wholesome gain, Mr. Cobb believes. The total amount of money taken in from

stamp sales last year was \$54,722. Stacks of mail handled during the year numbered 6,371.

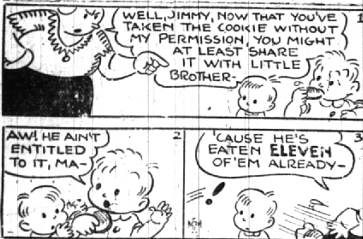
Mr. Cobb's annual report reveals that 22,597 domestic and 448 foreign money orders were issued during the year, which is about 1,100 fewer than last year. There were 3,814 domestic and 40 foreign money orders paid during the year, which represents an increase of 551 over last year.

Two carriers and one clerk were added to the permanent staff of the post office. Insured parcels handled numbered 7,864, while those of 1934 came to 7,438.

The British ambassador is willing to give up liquor. Maybe he has had to fall back on Washington bootleg.

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by Evans



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By JOSEPH VAN RAALTE

By Central Press
New York, Jan. 16.—Portland Hoffa of "The Little Show" was born to a father who is a humorist. She was called "Portland" because the family happened to be living at the time in Portland, Me. The Hoffas move about a great deal. When another daughter was born it was at Lebanon, Pa.; and the father, who, it seems, has his own way in that family, named the second girl Lebanon. She is also on the stage. Then came a boy. The old man, who names the boys as well as the girls, christened the kid Last One. But another laddie was delivered by a grinning stork. Father Hoffa, however, was equal to the occasion. He called the kid Period and threw stones at the stork.

Portland and Lebanon say that if they marry and have children they'll name them Mary and John and Jimmy as an act of expiation. But strange to relate both Last One and Period are exceedingly proud of their names.

POPULARIZES BIBLE

Isroy Mott, who does publicity for the Radio Corporation of America, the soap people, the sugar people, the Restaurant Men's Association, the fruit growers and some 30 or 40 others, has just undertaken a campaign to "popularize the Bible."

If Jarvis hands you a letter in the morning just as you are about to dive into the primes and you tear it open and a verse from Deuteronomy drops out, you'll know Isroy has you on his "sucker list."

BUYING A HAT

John Cavanaugh has opened a trick hat shop on Park avenue. He has no hats on display but you are surrounded by three lid experts to whom you describe the sort of "cootie cage" that you think would strike you pink. Then one of the trio—Hats—Lats—Lats—Lats and squints at your face and if you want a wide-brimmed chap and your face requires a narrow brim he tells you in diplomatic language just how cock-eyed you are. Finally the three of them get you to agree on the plans and specifications of a Cocoa Crown and if you don't order at least half a dozen you ain't regarded as "Quality."

SEEMS THAT WAY

Gertrude Albertson says: "I think men ought to be buried in silk pajamas and soft colors. I don't know just what it is, but there's a dirty crack in that, somewhere."

PREPAREDNESS

In Tony Huntington's theater

at Red Bank, N. J., the following suggestion, signed by the stage crew, has been hung up backstage:

"Due notice must be given to the crew when 'Broadway stars' play here, so that the crew will have time to get their dress suits pressed."

WHY STAGE IS SICK
There's nothing the matter with the stage except that the average show is rotten and the prices are three times higher than they ought to be. The actors are good and the theaters are handsome, but where's the percentage in opening a Fifth Avenue box and finding a string of tencent-store pearls inside?

Jane Cowd, one of the few stars on Broadway with an ever-faithful following, says:

"Audiences seem to have lost reverence for the theater."

I don't know why, but that reminds me of the villain in the old-time meller-drammer who foreclosed the mortgage on the home of the heroine's old folks, kidnapped her baby, lured her to a distant mill town, tied her to a railroad track and after keeping her prisoner three days in a furnished room house naively inquired: "Why is it you cannot bring yourself to love me?"

VAN RAALTE VS. KELLY

Frank V. Witatch is out with his 1929 set of Smiles. Some few are good. Most of them are precious. Wade through the list is like eating a cold fried egg that's been left standing overnight on the kitchen window sill.

He quotes one from J. L. Kelly: "Bright as the seat of a Scotchman's trousers."

I like my ancient line better: "Bright as the seat of The Pastor's pants."

A GENTLEMAN TO A GENTLEMAN

William Gillette makes his vaudeville bow to American theater audiences in a recrudescence of "Sherlock Holmes" and Sir Conan Doyle, the great detective's Paw, writes to William thus:

"It is a source of gratification to me. My only complaint is that you make the poor hero of the aeneic printed page a very limp object as compared with the glamour of the personality which you infuse into this presentation."

Rather graceful, eh, wot?

Inspector (stating charge)—What's the man's complaint officer?

Foliceman—"E complained that the lamp-post passed 'im on the wrong side."—London Opinion.

Noted Editor Dies



Stricken with a heart attack, Edward W. Bok, philanthropist, editor and author, above, died at his home at Lake Wales, Fla. He was 66 years old.

PLAN BENEFIT BRIDGE PARTY

In conjunction with the Girl Reserves, the Hi-Y will give a benefit bridge party at Bloomfield Township Park club house next Wednesday, between 8 and 11 p. m.

Tickets may be secured from the members of either organization and from Shain's drug store. The public is cordially invited. The proceeds from the party will go toward reforesting a 40 acre tract with pine trees, to be dedicated by the Baldwin High School to the Memory of Harry Brooks.

Katherine Brown, president of the Girl Reserves and Hartwood Ladd, president of the Hi-Y, are in charge of the party. The original plan of these organizations of giving a movie benefit has been abandoned.

Worker bees live only about six weeks, while the queens may live four or five years.

WE HEARD IT SAID BY—
James W. Cobb, postmaster: "The heavy snows and slush which have been characteristic of the winter since the early part of December have made the work of the letter carriers a great deal harder than usual. They still manage to make the rounds twice each day, but two more hours a day are required for the work."

\$25 FIRE DAMAGE

Damage to the extent of \$25 was done to the home of F. D. Richards on Vaughn road Sunday evening, when a short circuit on a porch light caused the siding to catch fire. The blaze was extinguished in 50 minutes by the Bloomfield Hills Fire department.

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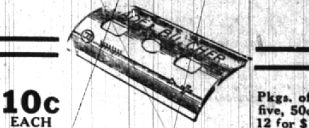
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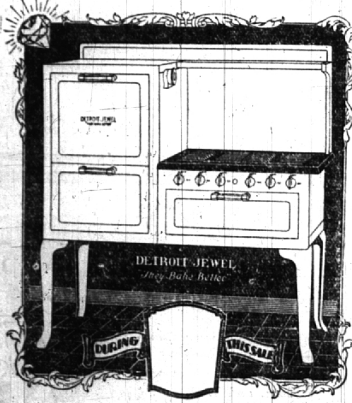
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