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 From 2 to 6 p.m. By BONNIE BURNHAM From 7:30 to 10 p.m.

MY CHRISTMAS GIFT.

Upon my breast there lay a form
 Of lily leaves and rose-tints fair,
 With turquoise eyes so soft and blue,
 With rose-leaf lips so sweet and rare.

Her parted lips and laughing eyes
 Beautified the rosy dawn;
 My pearl I held within my arms,
 This gem of mine, this flower of morn.

Her father's child, his sweetest smile,
 His love light gleamed within her eyes,
 Her smile revealed his love for me,
 Radiant as the opal skies.

Emerald rivers of my love
 Were lost in placid sapphire oceans
 Of his sweet self, so true, divine,
 His constancy, and devotion.

Did he not wake within my heart,
 This sweet ruby running river,
 A passion of my love divine,
 Which caused the arrow to quiver?

This Cupid's arrow, love, so sweet,
 Which pierced a true wife soul,
 That opened the garden of Love,
 From which bloomed this rose of gold?

Half father and half mother, dear,
 Was my baby with turquoise eyes,
 With rose-leaf lips which smiled on me,
 Like stars in the violet skies.

My Christmas gift, my rose of gold,
 The dearest, sweetest little elf,
 Was the reflect of mother's soul
 And father's true and noble self.
 —William Candler Phelps.

FOR MISS KATHLEEN GONZALEZ.
 Prominent among the affairs for next week will be a card party to be given by Miss Mabel Gonzalez for her sister, Miss Kathleen, who is home for the holidays from the Sacred Heart convent in St. Louis.

MISS BASS HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS.
 Miss Corrie Bass has returned to Pensacola from Hopkinsville, Kentucky, where she has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Forbes. Miss Bass, who is always a prominent figure socially in the city, is being gladly welcomed back by all who know her.

MRS. G. M. MOORE ENTERTAINS IN COMPLIMENT TO MISSES GRACE AND MARY HARRIS.
 A dozen of the young college girls and boys were brought happily together last evening when Mrs. G. M. Moore entertained at her pretty Government street home in compliment to Misses Grace and Mary Harris, two of the bright students of the Agnes Scott who are spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Harris. The evening passed merrily with games and music, a pleasant intermission being the lovely little

supper which was enjoyed in the dining room. The table had the Christmas motif in its decoration, with the bright poinsettia and ferns resting upon a centerpiece over red satin, and the happy Christmas messages which greeted one from 'Lae Christmas card at each place.

The happy twelve who spent the evening so merrily together were Misses Grace and Mary Harris, Theodocia Cobb, Amelia Gregory, Margaret Taylor, Miss Hixon of Perdue Hill, and A. J. Locklin, Joseph Mighell, Tom Moore, Ben Walker Curry, Winslow Partridge and Joe Nettles.—Mobile Register.

XMAS TREE AT FORT BARRANCAS YESTERDAY AFTERNOON.
 One of the happiest times in the history of the little ones at the post took place yesterday at Fort Barrancas, when the officers and men gave a Xmas tree expressly for the children. Besides the distribution of gifts, the following program occurred:

1. Selection—Eighth Band, C. A. C.
2. Children's March—Pianist, Mrs. Harvey.
3. Christmas Carol—By the children, accompanied by Mrs. Harvey.
4. Song, Trio—By Master Gunner Maher, Corporal French, Private Wiley.
5. Song, Solo—Master Gunner Maher.
6. Xylophone Solo—By C. Henrich.
7. Song, "Always Me"—By the children, accompanied by Mrs. Harvey.
8. Song, Solo—By Miss Edith Cooney.
9. "Misere," from The Troubadour—By Mrs. Harvey.
10. Tableau—By the children.
11. Song, "Baby Cares"—By the children, accompanied by Miss Price and Master Otto Winkler.
12. The tree and Santa Claus.
13. Reading, "The Night Before Christmas."
14. Selections—By Eighth Band, Coast Artillery Corps. Refreshments.

Selections by band.

NO SERVICES AT FIRST METHODIST CHURCH SUNDAY.
 On account of the heat plant not yet having been installed in the new First M. E. church building, the pastor advises that there will be no service there next Sunday. He recommends that his congregation attend the Gadsden Street Methodist church and hear the new pastor of that church preach his introductory sermon.

WILL GO TO KEEPING HOUSE!
 Pensacola, Tampa and other Florida friends of Col. Robert Tyler, who left the editorial staff of The Journal early in November to return to Montgomery, always his favorite city, will be gratified to learn that he is well and happy on the Montgomery Times, an afternoon paper of increasing circulation and prestige. The amiable

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colonel, who is much interested in boys, writes to a number of his young friends in Pensacola that he is still a devotee of hotel life, but that on Dec. 27 he will go to housekeeping.

ARE HERE FOR THE WINTER.
 Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Sharp and grandson, Freeman S. Wise, of Frankford, Ind., are in the city for the winter. They were here five years ago and liked Pensacola so well then that they could not resist returning this year.

MASTER FRANKLYN FORBES IMPROVES.
 The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Forbes will be glad to learn that their little son, Franklyn, who has been ill in Atlanta with typhoid fever, is now better. Both of them are with the young man now, but Mr. Forbes will probably return to Pensacola Monday.

MISS MARY MAHER IS QUITE ILL.
 The many friends of Miss Mary Maher will be sorry to learn that she has been very ill of late at her home on Reus street. She is one of the valued members of the choir at St. Michael's, and her sweet voice is to be greatly missed today during the Xmas music.

MANY ATTENDED SCHOOL EXERCISES AT SCHOOL NO. 70.
 A large concourse of friends and relatives of the pupils of school No. 70 were present at the fine Xmas exercises which were conducted there on Thursday. Of the school and its success, too much cannot be said. Mrs. A. W. Reynolds is principal, and her three able assistants are Miss Kate Loftin, Miss Mable Loftin and Miss Ethel Broughton. The decorations, which were all made by the children, were especially elaborate and handsome, the boards and walls having been resplendent with paper holly,

drawings of Santa Claus and other appropriate ideas. The work of the children, in fact, is to be highly commended.

PERDUE-WEAVER WEDDING ON WEDNESDAY.
 The marriage of Miss Besse Perdue, of this city, and Mr. A. G. Weaver, of Brewton, Ala., has been announced for Wednesday evening, December 23, at the family home on East Romana street. Miss Perdue is a most charming and attractive young lady, who numbers her friends by the score.

Mr. Weaver is a rising young business man of Brewton, where he is very popular.

MAGNUS GROSSJOHN IS HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS.
 Magnus Grossjohn is home on a visit from St. Bernard's college, St. Bernard, Cullman county, Alabama, to his mother and relatives. Magnus has grown to be a fine looking boy, has improved very much in his studies and his mother is justly proud of him.

WOMAN'S ORIGIN.
 According to a Hindoo legend, this is the proper origin of women. Twashtri, the god Vulcan of the Hindoo mythology, created the world, but on his commencing to create woman he discovered that for man he had exhausted all his creative materials, and that not one solid element had been left. This, of course, greatly perplexed Twashtri, and caused him to fall into a profound meditation. When he arose from it he proceeded as follows: He took

The undulating curves of the serpent.
 The graceful twist of the creeping plant.
 The light shivering of the grass blade and the slenderness of the willow.
 The velvety softness of the flowers.
 The lightness of the feather.
 The gentle gaze of the doe.
 The frolicsomeness of the dancing sunbeam.
 The tears of the cloud.
 The inconstancy of the wind.
 The timidity of the hare.
 The vanity of the peacock.
 The hardness of the diamond.
 The cruelty of the tiger.
 The heat of the fire.
 The chill of the snow.
 The cackling of the parrot.
 The cooing of the turtle dove.
 All these he mixed together and formed woman.

And he presented her to man.—Home Notes.

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PERSONAL MENTION.
 Miss Stella Rosenau, the charming sister of Mrs. Morris Bear, is expected from Louisville in the near future.

Mr. Chas. I. Wilson, of Brookhaven, Miss., will spend Xmas with his mother, Mrs. E. J. Wilson.

Master Franklyn Forbes, who is still very ill in Atlanta, is slightly improved.

Judge and Mrs. L. J. Reeves and Miss Dorothy will spend Xmas in Bonifay, Fla.

Mr. Joe Grant is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Grant.

Supt. and Mrs. N. B. Cook are entertaining Miss Estelle McMillan from Greenville.

Miss Sybil Wheat will spend Xmas in Greenville, Ala.

Mr. Edward LeBeau, of Springfield college, is spending Xmas with his aunt, Mrs. John B. Jones.

Misses Cary and Lella Abercrombie are entertaining Misses Mattie and Clara Cary.

Mr. S. D. Perdue, who has been west for his health since last March, returned yesterday. Mr. Perdue's friends are glad to welcome him home, but regret that he is very little improved.

Mr. A. A. Osteen, proprietor of the Escambia hotel, has returned from a business trip to Georgia. Mrs. Osteen, who has been confined to her bed with a serious attack of grip, is much better, her many friends will be glad to learn.

DANCE.
 C. K. of A. Hall Monday night. Gents 40c, ladies 10c.

CREW NOTICE.
 Notice is hereby given that the British steamship *Arcticon*, will be ready to receive cargo and passengers on Monday, Dec. 27, at 10 o'clock, at the wharf owned by J. H. Higlier, Jno. A. Merritt, Consignees, Capt. J. H. Higlier.

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PETTY THEFTS PLENTIFUL IN SOME STORES

FOUR PERSONS LOCKED UP AT COUNTY JAIL AFTER GOODS OF SMALL VALUE HAD BEEN FOUND SECRETED ON PERSONS.

Petty thefts in some of the large stores were numerous during the early part of the night, the dishonest ones taking advantage of the large numbers of people in any one or more places selected for booty and mingling with the shoppers. By 9 o'clock four had been placed in the county jail and three in the city jail, all charged with having stolen articles of various values.

Deputy Sheriff Lowery caught Jeff

Reff, a strange negro, with stolen towels, handkerchiefs, etc., stuffed away in his clothes, and he was locked up for larceny. The negro was caught near the depot.

Walter Perdue, a negro, who said he was just from Alabama, was detected by Deputy Sheriff Abbott purchasing fancy articles from a display counter near the depot. The articles were taken from him, held as evidence, identified by the store proprietor and Reff was locked up for larceny.

Robert Moody and Arthur Woods, colored boys, were caught together, it is charged, stealing cheap watches. Deputy Sheriff Abbott captured them and when searched the watches were found. They had more than one each, and were evidently preparing to go into the retail watch trade, at the expense of the proprietor of a certain store. It is possible that an information against them at the January term of the criminal court will charge grand larceny, as the articles will aggregate in value more than the sum of \$20.

George Kelly, a young white man, was watching him, tried to take a sneak and did disappear for a time. Re-appearing, the officer kept an eye on him and finally took him in charge. When searched he did not have any stolen articles on his person, but he was carrying a razor and was locked up for carrying concealed weapons.

The deputies were more successful in apprehending the alleged thieves than the city officers, as the latter were in uniform and the thieves evidently watched them closely. All who were sent to the city jail were charged with being dangerous and suspicious characters.

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POLICE GUARD WORKED HARD

MANY OFFICERS WERE ON DUTY UNTIL AFTER MIDNIGHT, STANDING A WATCH OF EIGHTEEN HOURS AT THE TIME.

Police arrangements for the night before Christmas were good, and some of the officers who so desired were on duty from 8 o'clock in the morning until midnight. Of course, those who worked over twelve hours will be given extra pay for their duty. The regular watch went on duty at

4 o'clock, and the watch which usually stood duty from midnight until 8 the following morning, remained on duty until 10 o'clock last night, to work until noon.

At the station Desk Sergeant Yllesira, who went on duty at 8 o'clock in the morning, remained on duty until 10 o'clock last night. At 4 o'clock Desk Sergeant Anderson came on duty, and the two, assisted by the two turnkeys assigned, Officers Simpson and Dole, kept the rush of work very well in hand. By midnight things were well-filled at the station, and had there not have been bondsmen handy at times, the capacity of the jail would have been taxed. Young negroes were in the majority at all times.

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