Army Fund For Dinners Runs Behind

Santa Claus won't be able to do his work of providing dinners for folks dependent upon the relvation Army this year, unless the fund perks up considerably in the days re-maining before Christmas. Here Mrs. Ralph Thomas solicits your contributions.



TODAY

In Elmira Dec. 15, 1939



LULLAY, THOU LITTLE TINY CHILD "Lullay, Thou little tiny Child, By, by, lully, lullay . . .

Herod hath charged his men of

All children young to slay . . ." This is the famous Coventry Carol, first used in 15th century Mystery Plays dealing with the life of Christ. It was sung by Chemung, Schuyler and Steuben women of Bethlehem in the play, Counties will receive unprecedentjust before Herod's soldiers came in to slaughter their children.

7 SHOPPING DAYS UNTIL CHRISTMAS

Today

6:30-St. Omers Commandery, mas party at Masonic Temple. the New York State Electric Gas Corporation's service rooms. 8:30-Elmira Aerie Eagles annual Christmas poultry exhibit at lodge home.

Tomorrow-

6:30-Testimonial banquet at the of his total wages. Mark Twain honoring John M. Federal Works Agency.

SOME BAD NEWS

of tough to bring this up less than two weeks before Christment payments on income taxes are due today. Although there are no esti-

mates as to the amount the Treasury will collect, it was expected that payments would approximate 300 million dollars.

The Weather-

Eastern New York: Not so cold tonight. Saturday increasing cloudiness and warmer followed by rain Credit Buyer Gets Western New York: Increasing 30-Day Jail Term in north and west portions.

warmer in east portion.

ELMIRA TEMPERATURES Extreme temperatures for Elmira and vicinity for the 24 hours ended at 9:30 a. m. Friday were:

Maximum, 32; minimum, 17.



Retail Stores

Retail stores will be open until 9 act.

p. m. tonight and Saturday as well 2. In addition to monthly payas all of next week.

Practically all local stores have who are eligible for benefits after reau of Old Age and Survivors Inengaged extra help for the remain- reaching the age of 65, monthly der of the Christmas shopping sea- benefits will be paid to aged wives N. Y.

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ELMIRA STAR-GAZETTE

ELMIRA, N. Y., FRIDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 15, 1939.

SPORTS, COMICS In This Section

Transfer of Langdon Property Being Made This Afternoon

Buffalo Firm PWA Projects New Bridge Gets Permit To Erect New Building

VOLUME 33. NO. 141.

Transfer of the title to the Langdon property was being

arranged this afternoon. Richard H. Guelich Jr. of Buffalo was here to complete arrangements for the purchase of the site where a mercantile building containing a number of stores will be erected.

A permit for the construction of the building was issued today by the Department of Buildings and was expected that the first step in the project, removal of some trees on the site, would be taken late this afternoon or Saturday. A Buffalo syndicate is sponsoring the construction under the name of the Elmira Park and

be occupied about Apr. 1. northwest corner of Main and W. last year and a half. Church Sts.-was taken several tended until today.

local firms.

Garrick organization has been here since late in 1935, and has been WPA projects.

tion operations.

258 to Get

Approximately 258 residents of ed Christmas gifts this year in the form of notification that they are eligible to monthly old-age insurance checks for the rest of their

Charles S. Ferber, manager of the Social Security Board field Honor Guests office at Elmira, explained that recipients of this notice will be those 7:30-Elmira Discussion Club in insurance system was established bands or wives and members

possible for a wage earner to qual- guests of the executive committee Commerce; Mayor Beers, Col. Gilify after he is 65 years old, even members. if he has already received a single cash settlement. Under the orig-3 p. m.—Dedication ceremonies inal law a qualified worker could mark opening of new Madison Ave. obtain only a lump-sum payment equal to three and a half per cent

"This means," said Mr. Ferber, Carmody, administrator of the "that the age barrier to obtaining federal retirement insurance has been torn down. Even the man who was already 65 when the oldage insurance system was set up Washington - (UP) - It's kind and who, therefore, has never been under the federal program, may now qualify for monthly benefits mas, but fourth quarter install- To qualify for retirement insur ance in 1940 it will be necessary for him to show that he has workceived in each at least \$50 in Margaret Winn, Horseheads; An- and was rolled after stones were checks today.

wages and has retired." Mr. Ferber explained that if man has already received a lumpsum it will be deducted from the monthly payments which will be paid to him.

Saturday occasional light rain; College Ave., must spent 30 days have organizations in charge of warmer in central and east por- in the county jail because he ob- 60 agents; more than 31,000 boys the club. tained merchandise under false and girls in the state are 4H mem-Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair, not pretenses. Sentence was passed in bers of 2,000 clubs with 3,000 leadso cold tonight. Saturday increas- Recorder's Court today when he ers. ing cloudiness and warmer follow- admitted a petit larceny charge. ed by light rain in west and north Willis Hoffman, W. Fourth St.

grocer, said Wakeman obtained Western Pennsylvania: Increas- groceries on credit after stating he ing cloudiness and warmer tonight. was employed by an Elmira firm. Saturday occasional light rain and Hoffman said he later learned that this was not true and Wakeman Electric & Gas Corporation's serfailed to pay the grocery bill.

the first of the series.

than was provided in the original law.

Total Near Two Millions



volving a total expenditure of al-

um, \$880,000 school building pro- Lackawanna Railroad. The general contract for the gram, \$272,000 Madison Ave. bridge, He will be accompanied by Col. construction work has been let to \$317,000 Waverly High School, M. E. Gilmore of New York, rethe Garrick Construction Company \$230,000 Van Etten Central School, gional PWA director. They will of Chicago but most of the work and \$40,000 school bus garage in be met at the station by Mayor

> for the Erie Railroad. Mr. Hoppen is a member of the new bridge. general committee which has ar-

dedication Saturday.

Knights Templar, annual Christ- to whom lump-sum benefits have Approximately 100 Chemung been paid since the federal old-age County 4H Club leaders, their husthe executive committee attended The amended act, he said, moves the 13th annual Recognition Banthe date for monthly benefits up quet for 4H leaders Thursday eventwo years to 1940 and makes it ing at Miller Villa. Leaders were

> Highlight of the event was the dent of the Board of Education. awarding of silver pins to leaders for one year of service and gold pins to leaders who have served two or more years without, to date, Sports Club receiving the pin.

long years of service as a leader, having directed a club for more than 17 years. Others honored Skiing Run who have served for five years or more, were: Mrs. John Harris, Improvements have been made more, were: Mrs. John Harris, Improvements have been made Pays Bonus Bernice Groves, Hickstown; Mrs. of activity when there is snow. tone Benesh, Tompkins Corners; removed.

fine work and traced the history of famous winter resort. 4H Clubs since their inception 20 Richard Wakeman, 52, of 1175 Now, she pointed out, 48 counties the Adirondacks.

> DISCUSSION CLUB MEETS A special meeting of the Elmira Discussion Club will be held at 7:30 p. m. today in the New York State vice room, State and Market Sts.

For further information call or

Social Security—and You

Every worker who has a Social Security account number card should

know how the recent Congressional changes in the Old-Age and Surviv-

ors Insurance provisions of the Social Security Act apply to him or her.

For the benefit of readers of The Star-Gazette, the Social Security

Board's field office manager for this area, has prepared a series of brief

articles, each explaining one point of the new provisions. Following is

nuitants. Monthly benefits are also surance (Benefits-How Much?)

Inspected; To Be Open

Saturday Elmira's new Madison Ave. bridge which will be opened to traffic shortly after 3 p. m. Saturday, was given a final

inspection today. The inspection was made by City Manager Klebes, Harry M. Haskell of the Haskell & Considine architectural firm, C. H. Gronquist of the New York engineering firm of Robinson & Steinman, and Robert Hoppen, PWA resident engineer-

inspector. The officials pronounced the project "completed." It has already been accepted by the city as substantially complete, and the City Council will probably vote final acceptance at next Monday night's

The bridge dedication committee Robert Hoppen, above, is the perfected plans for Saturday's Shop Inc. Two-thirds of the PWA resident engineer-inspector on dedication program at a meeting stores have been leased and will Elmira and vicinity projects in- Thursday night at the City Hall. John M. Carmody of Washing-An option on the property-the most two million dollars during the ton, D. C., Federal Works Agency administrator who will give dedi-He has represented the PWA on cation addresses Saturday aftermonths ago by the Buffalo syndi- a \$140,000 supplementary sewer noon and night, will arrive in Elcate. The original option was ex- project, \$100,000 Dunn Field Stadi- mira at 8:35 a. m. Saturday on the

will be done under subcontracts by spencer. These projects total Beers and Mr. Hoppen, and between 9:30 a. m. and noon will be Field Architect Carl Anis of the Mr. Hoppen has been with PWA conducted on a tour of PWA and Committee

for 10 days preparing for construc- local engineer-inspector since July, At noon they will be entertained |

Washington Bridge and the Outer- 2:30 p. m. at the City Hall and will bridge Crossing, the latter in Staten proceed west on Church to Main Island. Before taking this post he St., on Main to Water, east on Inn Fund was chief engineer of the New York | Water to Lake St. bridge, over the Dock Company, warehouse concern, bridge to Maple Ave., and south and for 12 years was a resident en- on Maple Ave. to Madison Ave. gineer in charge of construction bridge. The dedication ceremony will be staged in the center of the Administrator Carmody will cut

ranged the Madison Ave, bridge sented to the city by representatives of the engineering and architectural firms. After other officials have made short talks, the bridge will be opened to traffic.

Saturday afternoon Administrator Carmody and Col. Gilmore will be privately entertained at the City

The final event will be a public reception and banquet, sponsored by the Association of Commerce. begin at 6:30 p. m. at the Mark Twain Hotel. Atty. Halsey Sayles. will be toastmaster and Mr. Carmody will give the principal ad dress. Other speakers will be C'ty Manager Klebes, S. G. H. Turner president of the Association of more and Thomas S. Craig, presi-

was especially honored for her Improves

Mrs. Harriet Day, Southport; Mrs. der the auspices of the Elmira Rowland Farr Jr., Big Flats; Mrs. Winter Sports Club in anticipation Raynard Howe, Breestown; Mrs. The ski run has been widened facturing Company received bonus

Turner, Veteran; George Wester- bership will be held Jan. 5 at the weeks' pay and those with less Greeting Home velt, Pine Valley; Mrs. Kent, Pine YMCA to discuss plans for the sea- than six months of service receiv-Valley: Mrs. Frank Rhodes, Har- son's activities. Arrangements are ed one week's pay. also being made for a meeting Jan. commended the leaders for their sound movies of activities at the checks. A group of about 15 members of

years ago in Chemung County. The local club will spend the New Former State Head James D. Moffatt is president of

Car Found Ablaze, Police Seek Owner

County police are seeking ownership of a motorless automobile found ablaze on the Taylor Rd. on Jerusalem Hill this morning.

Deputy Sheriff Clarence Culver as officers of Harry B. Bentley Post, he was driving to work. Its motor American Legion. Persons dishad been removed, leading police tributing the punchboards to believe the car had been stolen. falsely represented themselves as Through its motor number, agents of the Legion, it is said. 327,061, police seek to learn if the auto was sold by a Ford dealer in this vicinity.

Ministers Schedule Discussion Tuesday

A discussion on "The Place of Christmas in Our Modern Life' Most of the changes in the Social provided for aged widows, for or- will be conducted at the meeting you should fill out and mail or de- Federation Building, Security Act made by Congress ast phans, and for widows with minor of the Ministerial Association of liver the blank in the adjoining Elmira, New York. August relate to the provisions for children and, in some cases, for de- Elmira and Vicinity Tuesday columns. old-age insurance and survivors pendent parents of insured wage morning at the YMCA.

benefits. Three of the amendments earners who die.

Concern almost every family in the 3. The wage tax of one per cent with devotions by the Rev. C. E. 27 and 28 between 7 and 10 p. m. United States, in one way or an- each for employers and employes Eichner. The discussion will be remains the same until 1943. That introduced at 10:20 a. m. by the may have equal opportunity to win 1. Monthly benefits will begin in is, the tax will not be increased in Rev. E. O. Spaven. The Rev. Lul- the prizes offered, four sections 1940. This is two years earlier 1940, as was provided under the old lus D. Bell and the Rev. E. Rich- have been designated: First, all ard Barnes will act as panel lead- homes north of the Chemung

FIRE IN CHIMNEY

ments to insured wage earners write Social Security Board, Buson in anticipation of a flourishing and minor children of these an- Next: Old-Age and Survivors In- house, a two-story frame building, and Horseheads. is occupied by J Apgar.

Present Operetta at First Methodist Church



CHARACTERS in an operetta presented at the First Methodist Church, from left: Jean Kujawski, Charles Woodard as Santa Claus; Louise Montanye, riding the horse. The "horse" is William Dixon.

nish Relief Fund administered by former President Hoover was an- p. m. nounced today by Mayor Beers. It consists of: Rabbi Frederic A. a ribbon and make a brief address. Doppelt, chairman; Irving T. Helghts Fife Skeels, assistant vicepresident of Helghts Fife the Elmira Bank & Trust Company, treasurer; Dr. W. S. A. Pott,

> land N. Dutton. The Elmira Star-Gazette which has been cooperating in the relief drive for the last week, will continue to receive contributions. Contributions may also be sent to Mr. Skeels at his office in the Elmira Bank & Trust Company on Lake St. Money received by The Star-Gazette and Mr. Skeels will be for- Lawrence Ladd announced Thurswarded to national relief fund day. headquarters and names of donors The apparatus, triple combination

> will be published. "Finland Day" by Mayor Beers. Ward LaFrance Truck Corporation Clergymen will urge support of the of Elmira Heights. It will be de-Rabbi Doppelt will give a 10- Department Monday. minute talk on "Remember Fin- The new truck's motor is rated

Star-Gazette today by C. H. Col- shield and window extensions of Humane Agent

Thatcher Co.

Employes of the Thatcher Manu-

Employes with more than six Frank Bly, Pine City; George A. A general meeting of the mem- months of service received two

The amount of the distribution | Chile, a student at Elmira Col-Miss Dorothy Delany, assistant 31 when a representative of Sun was not announced. Between 250 4H Club leader, speaker, Valley will come here to show and 300 persons received bonus

Of Grotto Dies

Word has been received in Elmira of the death of John G Smyth of Troy, N. Y., past president of the State Grotto Associa-

DENY SPONSORING BOARDS Sponsorship of punch boards

said to be in circulation in Elmira The machine was discovered by was disclaimed Thursday night by

If you plan to enter the Christ-

mas Home Lighting Contest being

sponsored this year by the Elmira

River and west of Walnut St., in-

cluding West Elmira; second, al

Clothing Catches local engineer-inspector since July, 1938. He was resident engineer for the Port of New York Authority during construction of the George A motorcade will be formed at during construction of the George A motorcade will be formed at the City Hell and will

burned at 3:15 p. m. Thursday when her clothing caught Study OI Appointment of an Elmira com- fire as she leaned over a combination stove in the kitchen mittee to raise money for the Fin- of her home. She died in St. Joseph's Hospital at 10:10

John T. Calkins, and the Rev. Rol-

urday at Eldridge Park, Fire Chief the stove.

Sunday has been proclaimed booster tank, is a product of the James ambulance.

land" at 10:40 p. m. Saturday over at 150 horsepower. The stream- nephews. Another sister, Mrs. Mary lined body can carry 1,400 feet of E. Foody of Elmira, died Dec. 1. One additional contribution to hose. As in most modern trucks was delivered to The the driver is protected by a wind-

The new truck will give the department three pumper trucks, one Calls Total 12 years old and another 14 years in service. The three trucks will be

Student Here

quartered in the Village Hall.

Miss Ines Pedrasa of Santiago, lege, will be among 75 college students to greet their families in foreign countries over the General Electric short-wave radio stations WEGO and WEGA Sunday, at Schenectady.

Each student will say anything horses and a calf. he likes as a greeting in his native tongue on the program which will start at 6 p. m. and continue through 10:30 p. m. The period from 7.30 p. m. to 9 p. m. At Holiday Dinner will be devoted to a carol program from Union College. Students kept from their homes

by war and distance, from Vassar, Bennington, Hamilton, Williams, Skidmore, Russell Sage, Elmira, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and Union are to participate. The students will be guests at a dinner in Hale House, Union College, before the

Mrs. Anna O'Brien, 69, of 1008 Lake St., was fatally

Giving a verdict of accidenta death, Coroner Charles S. Dale said she suffered second and third degree burns from her knees to her

and leaned forward to tend the coal fire. Her eyesight was defective and she had been under treat- five fundamental needs of boys ment for a heart ailment. Police which, if filled, should empty theorized that she might have had prisons and reform schools of the

Her screams attracted her son, Henry, and her sister, Mrs. Ed- tion, adventure, a sense of achieve-

O'Brien and Ford of Sonyea; the recognition-"if it's nothing more sister, and several nieces and than first in a freckles contest!"

Humane Officer Robert M. Carl made 204 calls in November, Mrs. Henry A. Margeit, secretary of the Elmira Humane Societies, shows in her monthly report. Twenty-one dogs and nine cats

were placed in homes, 15 dogs and five cats returned to owners, 35 during November of 81.22 per cent, dogs and 81 cats disposed of, and best record in 10 years, was re-31 dogs and 11 cats held at the ported to authorities after hitting a dog, hood House and the Rev. Herbert and another for cruelty to two Erway of the Reformatory.

Women employes of the Elmira office of the New York State Electric & Gas Corporation entertained the women employes of the Binghamton, Ithaca and offices at a Christmas dinner Thursday night at the Mark Twain many new frontiers to conquer.

Miss Marsha J. Hamilton and Miss Helen M. Franklin were co- Football Banquet

attended by 96. Junior A. C. Sponsors Lighting Contest

CHRISTMAS HOME LIGHTING CONTEST

Junior Association of Commerce, Junior Association of Commerce,

Please enter my name in the Christmas Home Lighting Contest. Judging will take place Dec. 26, Name

That every section of the city Address I wish to enter my doorway () window () exterior ground decorations (). You may enter one, two or all three. Deliver this or mail to the above address before Dec. 24.

homes north of the river and east three classifications: Doorways, resident who, in the opinion of the Fletcher St., Horseheads, valued at A chimney fire which resulted in of Walnut St.; third, homes on the window treatment, general exter- judges has done the most out- \$2,000. She is survived by Mr. no damage called firemen to 511 south side of the river including ior and grounds decorations. standing piece of decorating in any Thomas; a sister, Mrs. Ella Meeks High St. at 6:40 a. m. today. The Southport; fourth, Elmira Heights Prizes will be awarded winners in or all of the three divisions. Three of Montour Falls, two half-sisters. the three classes of display. A consolation prizes will be present- two half-brothers, a niece and three Entrants may compete in one of grand award will be given to the ed in each of the four districts. nephews.

League Fund Broadcast To Present Variety

Two dance orchestras, a concert band, a hill billy quartet, a vocal trio and three soloists will appear on the second Arctic League radio program from 1 p. m. to 3 p. m. Sunday over Station WENY. The Esquires, 11-piece orchestra from the Mansfield State Teachers

College under the direction of

Charles Stout, will share the spot-

light with the 15-piece radio station's staff orchestra under the direction of Harry Springer in the presentation of modern dance Like the other artists on the program, the Mansfield group is donating its services to the Arctic League. The orchestra is composed of students in the music department at the Mansfield institution where they are preparing for

careers as public school music teachers. The group will pay its own travelling expenses. The Remington Rand Concert Band, an organization of 30 employes of the Elmira Precision Tool plant, will be another feature of Sunday's program. The band is

under the direction of Harry W. The Western Ramblers and the Rohan Trio, both of whom appeared on the program last Sunday, will take part again this week. Soloists will be Miss Henrietta Paull, seprano; Don Ruth, baritone; Jerry Smith, lyric tenor. Miss Paull will be accompanied by Clayton Wahl, violinist, and Jeanne Dorman, pianist. Miss Loretta Ryan will furnish organ accompaniment

for the other soloists. Francis R. Parker, former principal of the Elmira Free Academy, will be the speaker on Sunday's program. Frank Tripp will be master of ceremonies.

Consider the problems of boysdon't consider boys as problems. Sanford Bates, executive director of the Boys' Clubs of America, adwhich her clothing was ignited is unknown, police assume that she Hotel. vised members of the Rotary Club

Mr. Bates, former director of the Federal Bureau of Prisons, cited will be demonstrated at 3 p. m. Sat- a heart attack and fallen against country and stem the wave of Every boy is entitled to recogni-

ward McCauley, who smothered the ment, participation in the govern-600-gallon unit with a 250-gallon flames in blankets and called the ment of which he is a part, and friendship, the speaker declared. Mrs. O'Brien is survived by a No boy should go through life daughter, Mary O'Brien, at home; without something of which he can four sons, Henry and Lawrence of be proud, Mr. Bates assertedfund at Sunday's church services. livered to the Elmira Heights Fire Elmira, and the Rev. J. Edmund some distinction which warrants

> Love of adventure, he said, is inborn in every lad. His desire to display courage and daring must be directed, not squelched, he maintained. Something to do-the security of achievement-has been the salvation of many a delinquent, he declared, and is the inalienable right of youth. Finally, Mr. Bates urged that

> contributions to welfare work not be merely a matter of check-signing but a matter of personal contact and genuine friendliness to which boys never fail to respond. "There is no substitute for the kind of personal service which such organizations as the Rotary Club can carry on," he maintained.

An average Rotary attendance

animal shelter. He also disposed Among guests were: The Rev. W. of 22 dogs, eight cats, one rabbit, Hamilton Benham, former pastor one calf and two pigs hit by auto- of the First Presbyterian Church; mobiles, shot two horses, and ob- Dr. Leo Palmer, new director of the tained two convictions. One man Reformatory; Allie Quatrano and was convited of failing to report Fred J. Kingsley of the Neighbor-

Mr. Bates spoke at 9:30 a. m. today at the Elmira Free Academy under auspices of the Neighbor-E. & G. Women Hosts hood House when he was introduced by Charles Hobson, an outstanding House patron. Freshman and sophomore students attended. There he urged that young Americans realize that America is the best place in the world to live and that it is truly the land of opportunity. Jobs may be scarce, he said, but this country still has

Scheduled Monday

The eighth annual football banquet of the Athletic Field Neighborhood Association for the gridders of the Elmira High Schools will be neld at the Parker Field clubhouse Monday at 6:30 p. m. All members of the squad and the

coaching staff of Art Hirst, Benny Botnick, Nap Blanchette and Bill Wipfler will be guests of the association.

NAMED ADMINISTRATOR Ellsworth Thomas of 514 Center

St., Horseheads, was named administrator in Surrogate's Court Thursday of the estate of his sister. Mrs. Lucy J. Woolever, who died Nov. 29. Mrs. Woolever left an estate valued at \$2,000 in personal property and real estate at 111