

FORT WORTH MOB AVENGES MURDER

TOM VICKERY, SLAYER OF POLICEMAN, TAKEN FROM JAIL AND HUNG

Twenty-five Masked Men Commit Deed, Notify Sheriff and Police by Telephone; Sheriff Has Nothing to Say.

Special Leased Wire. FORT WORTH, Dec. 23.—Death as sure and swift as that which he dealt J. C. Crouch, Fort Worth policeman, overtook Tom W. Vickery last night when twenty-five masked men took him into the night and left his body swaying gently in the wind as he hung by the neck from the limb of a tree.

Every Poor Kiddie in Ranger Invited to Christmas Tree

Received heretofore \$798.23 Ranger Tel. Exchange 20.55 Peter Powers 1.00 Anonymous 1.00 Garrett Bolting 10.00 Ranger Shops Baseball Team 14.00 Texan Rooms 5.00 Officers and Employees of F. & M. Bank 51.00 Total \$900.78

Every poor child in Ranger is invited to attend the Ranger Times and Salvation Army's Christmas tree, furnished with funds raised by the Christmas Cheer Fund and which will be held in the Terrell building, back of the Boston store, on Christmas day.

Denials to the fund are more urgently needed than ever before. Each day there arises more urgent need for every penny that can be raised, for the time is rapidly approaching when the remainder of the presents must be bought. All gifts will be gladly received, for they are better late than never, so Mr. Public, how can you resist such an appeal as the following, which was brought to the attention of...

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CLARA SMITH ON WAY BACK TO ARDMORE

Left El Paso This Morning; Bond Arrangements Completed.

International News Service. EL PASO, Dec. 23.—Clara Smith, in the custody of Sheriff Buck Garrett of Carter county, Okla., left early today for Ardmore, where she will stand trial for the murder of Jake L. Hamon, Oklahoma multi-millionaire and Republican national committeeman. The search that held the interest of the nation for several weeks ended when she surrendered at 6:55 o'clock last night.

According to statements made by Ardmore officials and Mrs. Hamon's attorneys, arrangements have been completed for her to give a bond of \$10,000 immediately upon her arrival in Ardmore.

ARDMORE ATTORNEY SAYS WILL GIVE CLARA A FOURTH. ARDMORE, Okla., Dec. 23.—James Mathers of the firm of Mathers & Conkey, attorneys for Clara Smith, declared today that he had understood all the time that a will of the late Jake Hamon is in existence and left Clara Smith a fourth of the estate. He added that he does not believe the will is in Ardmore.

HEALTH BROKEN, FATHER SAYS. EL PASO, Dec. 23.—That Clara Smith is broken in health by the strain that she has been under as a state witness today by her father, at whose home she spent last night after her surrender to Sheriff Garrett of Ardmore.

MUST STATE DEFENSE. ARDMORE, Okla., Dec. 23.—County Attorney Russell B. Brown stated today that he expected Mrs. Clara Smith Hamon to reach Ardmore between sundown and sunrise. He declared that he would arraign her in district court, as soon as she arrived, and would agree to her release on \$10,000, provided she made an affidavit as to the manner of defense she would offer at the trial.

IT'S A HABIT. CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—F. W. Sheppard, head of an investment company here, is being sought to answer charges of obtaining money under false pretenses. He is charged with selling worthless stock valued at \$4,000 to \$100,000. More than 1,500 people are said to have been swindled.

Postal authorities have seized a number of records that were found in his office, and among the records it has been learned that he was sentenced in Wisconsin under the name of F. W. Shook to a term in prison on a charge of embezzling funds entrusted to him for the purchase of stocks. He disappeared several weeks ago.

"I Told 'Em to Start at Once," Says Carter—"I Have no Orders to Start Work," Says Telephone Engineer

Ranger yesterday, as it has since—oh, so long ago—cranked its telephone until its good right arms was a limp thing of "rag and bone." As a reward for virtue two numbers were secured during the day.

However, being patient, Ranger sighed, as it has since—oh, so long ago—and consoled itself with the thought that right away a great and good telephone corporation was going to install an efficient telephone system. Had it not said so? It had. But being inquisitive, Patient Ranger, through secretary of the Chamber of Commerce Tommie Peters, asked General Manager E. C. Carter when construction was to begin.

Mr. Carter assured Mr. Peters that he had issued instructions to the engineering department to get the work started by Jan. 1, and under no circumstances was it to be delayed six days, as rumor has it. Not yet being satisfied, Patient Ranger this morning through a reporter of the Times, asked Mr. McCormick, engineer in charge, just when construction would begin on the new system.

STATE TREE EXPERT WILL COME HERE IF CITY WILL PLAN BIG TREE PLANTING

The Times regrets to announce that as yet no reply has been received from the nursery to its inquiry concerning trees.

Meanwhile, the tree-planting impetus gains momentum daily. Women's clubs and other civic bodies are discussing the matter and planning to aid. Many persons want trees to be planted around the schools and plans to this end will undoubtedly be formulated shortly after the holidays.

Perhaps the best news that has thus far come to the Times was a visit this morning from R. T. Williams, nursery and greenhouse inspector of the state department of agriculture. Mr. Williams was much interested in the move and believed it can be made a great occasion by co-operative effort. Furthermore, if an Arbor day is instituted here, and there is a general tree planting, Mr. Williams said he would be glad to spend several days here at the expense of the state, assisting in the movement. This, it would appear from the interest shown, will be entirely feasible and highly profitable.

No great hurry is absolutely essential, says Mr. Williams, though he joins in commending early planting. However, an Arbor day could be celebrated as late as Feb. 22nd, he says, and with proper care the trees would thrive.

A number of persons want to plant pecan and walnut trees as suggested by a letter from J. H. Martineau, written from Breckenridge, Texas, Dec. 21.

FORT WORTH GIRL'S FORTUNE ALL TIED UP

Oil Lease Title Suit Leaves Her \$22,000 in Bank's Hands.

International News Service. CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Miss Florence Robinson of Fort Worth and Kansas City knows today how it feels to be a poor little rich girl. Miss Robinson has \$22,000 on deposit in a local bank but is stopped by law from withdrawing it.

Two years ago Miss Robinson was a model in a Kansas City department store. She quit her job and went to the Texas oil fields to make her fortune in oil leases. It is alleged that she had dealings with Charles W. Watson, an oil operator in the Texas fields.

Watson, it is alleged, sold a lease to a group of Chicago business men and they later found that the title was not clear. The Chicagoans brought suit for the return of their money and charged that part of the \$22,000 of Miss Robinson was money paid to Watson. The bank has been enjoined from paying any part of the deposit until the pending litigation is settled.

NO HOPE HELD OUT FOR MISSING BALLOONISTS

International News Service. NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Hope that the three missing balloonists, who left Rockaway Point ten days ago in a dirigible balloon on an endurance test to Canada, would be found alive was practically abandoned by naval officials today.

NO CHRISTMAS TREE AT WHITE HOUSE THIS YEAR

International News Service. WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—There will be no Christmas tree at the White House this year, it has been announced. The President and Mrs. Wilson will observe the day in a quiet manner with a private family dinner and a long motor trip into the country during the afternoon.

STOLEN BONDS CASE. International News Service. WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The case of Jules (Nicky) Arstein and his three assistants, charged with conspiring to bring stolen goods into the district of Columbia, will go to the jury in Justice Gould's criminal court today. When court reconvened this morning, the prosecutor resumed his summing up argument. The defendants' counsel were allowed one hour and a half to present their arguments. Justice Gould did not believe that he would be able to charge the jury until about the noon recess.

'BIG NEWSIES' SHOW HIGH ART SALESMANSHIP AND HIJACKING KNOWLEDGE FOR CHEER FUND

'Christmas For All' Benefited Nearly \$1,000 By Rotarian Stunt.

"Newsie Day," an event long to be remembered in the lives of the poor children of Ranger, hit the city with such impetus this morning that the first shift of fifteen "Big Newsies" have already passed the \$750 mark! Each individual member of the team worked his corner during the entire morning with such enthusiasm that \$769.10 has been raised.

The papers sold were special editions of the Ranger Daily Times gotten out for this reason, and the funds raised will be added to the Times' Christmas Cheer fund.

The second shift which came on at 2 o'clock this afternoon avows that it will best the record of the first team on the job. "Big Newsies" they are and as big hearted, generous "newsies" they'll always be remembered by the little folk of the city, who say, "There ain't no Santa Claus."

RUSSIAN GOLD TO DANISH BANK FOR U. S. TRADE

To Use \$200,000,000 to Finance Credit With Other Nations.

International News Service. WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The Russian Soviet government has just deposited \$200,000,000 in gold with banks in Copenhagen for the purpose of establishing trade credit with the United States and other nations, according to information received by the state department today from its agents abroad.

The only hope for Russian commerce of any volume, experts here assert, lies in the possibility of utilizing this gold as a credit nucleus for a three-cornered trade by which Lenin may sell his surplus wheat and raw material to Scandinavia and Great Britain and buy manufactured products with the proceeds.

CHICAGO HAS EARLY CLOSING TO STOP CRIME

Police Believe Move Will Stop Early Morning Depredations.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Chief of Police Fitzmorris has given orders to his force to put into effect a 1 o'clock closing order, designed to put a stop to early morning depredations of criminals and to prevent lawbreakers from congregating in their accustomed haunts.

All pool rooms, cabarets and theatres will close at 1 o'clock. An hour will be given pedestrians and taxicab drivers to reach their homes. After 2 o'clock any parties who are found on the streets will be subjected to investigation as to their purpose.

Turns Burglar to Save \$150,000 Legacy; Caught. OAKLAND, Dec. 23.—Unable to comply with the terms of a bequest left to him some months ago, under which he was to inherit \$150,000 provided he earned \$5,000 a year until he was 26 years old, a man who says he is Robert H. Koch is reported to have been left a fortune by his father, only on condition that he could prove of such value to the world as to make himself self-supporting.

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Castellaw Led. Jelks Castellaw led the morning shift with a collection of \$143.82, while E. D. Bostaph, commander of the "Early Birds," gave him a close chase with the second best morning's work, \$137.98. The four leaders next to the foregoing were, E. B. Barnes, \$93.85; J. T. Harness, \$80.47; J. T. Gullahoen, \$58.34; and H. S. Cole, \$50.

The amount raised by other individual members of the morning shift include: \$40.42 by W. E. Burke, \$39.51 by E. R. Maher, \$36.27 by A. Davenport, \$35.24 by E. B. Reid, \$33.27 by R. B. Waggoner, \$24.25 by E. W. Pew, \$15.62 by E. Buchwald, and \$21.16 miscellaneous.

Crash of Hurricane. Riding triumphant on one of the city's fire trucks, the "Flying Squadron of Rotarian Early Birds" descended like the crashing of a hurricane through primeval forests upon sleeping Ranger this morning in connection with "Newsie Day" launched by the local club today.

They were the vanguard of the other shifts and their motto was, "Get the cash." Other early birds who got the word, but Rotarian "Early Birds" got the dough, they declared, when "Early Birds" Ralph Stockman, Carl Jones, Jelks Castellaw, Evan Barnes, Jack Gullahoen and Bo Bostaph turned in \$209 as the funds derived from rousing out of bed those who had previously signified their intention of paying bonuses for the delivery of the paper at their homesides.

Two of the largest donations for special delivery of papers were received from C. B. Hedrick and A. H. Bowers, who gave \$20 each to the cause. Those who gave \$10 each are R. A. Sperry, Thurber, M. H. Hagaman, Charles Chenoweth, J. M. Gholson and T. G. Deffebach, and \$5 donations were received from the following: Wright Furniture company, A. Alexander, L. W. Prunty, G. B. Watson, J. H. Clarke, C. C. Brewster, Mel Shugar, Dr. C. F. Duffer, Rev. Outlaw, Howard Gholson, L. A. Vandervoort, Raymond Teal, F. P. Hodge, M. H. Smith, Joseph Dry Goods company, C. E. Jones, R. Fleckenstein, Ray Newland. Other donations were \$4 from Bill Shugar, \$1 from E. S. Spearshall, \$1 from E. A. Nunn, \$2 from A. H. Becker and \$1 from M. Leville.

AGED WOMAN CAPTURES THIEF WHILE FORT WORTH COPS HUG WARM STOVE

Special Leased Wire. FORT WORTH, Dec. 23.—A woman rooming house keeper, 58 years old, walked into the police station yesterday and proudly exhibited \$9.25 and a gold watch she had single-handed taken away from a thief.

This was the second visit the woman made to the station. On her first appearing she detailed the circumstances of how a young man rooming at her house had stolen a gold watch from a 94-year-old lodger and was going away owing her \$9.25 for room rent. She was seeking aid but was refused. Seven detectives sitting around a warm stove advised her to see the chief.

Instead she went to the railroad station and collared the thief himself while he was in the act of buying a ticket to some unknown destination. The man surrendered the watch and the money and the woman returned to police headquarters to show its members that she had the goods.

MASSACHUSETTS TOWN CALLED "DANCE CRAZY." GRAFTON, Mass., Dec. 23.—This town is "dance crazy," Rev. Joseph A. Jacques, rector of St. Phillip's church, and Rev. Phillip King, pastor of the West Evangelical Congregational church, unite in the statement. Rev. Father Jacques has told his parishioners there should not be more than one public dance a week in Grafton. He said the dances were frequented by "things and drunks" from Worcester, not fit to dance with the young women of the town. Rev. Mr. King corroborated his statements, and said he would back him in his demand that the dances be fewer in number and higher in tone.

NEWFOUNDLAND COD AND HERRING FISHERIES FAIL

Thousands of Fishermen Have Left For Banks in U. S. and Canada.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Dec. 23.—Several thousand fisher men have left Newfoundland owing to the comparative failure of the colony's fisheries this year and the low price received for the product. They have gone chiefly to Canada and the United States.

The total catch of herring in the season which ended in the middle of last winter was only about half the average of previous years and, because of renewed competition with Scotch, Dutch and other foreign markets, due to the return of peace conditions, the value was greatly reduced. The early spring fishery for cod off the South coast and the seal fishery off the East coast were failures.

NO PARDON FOR DEBS APPEARS IN PROSPECT

COLUMBUS, Dec. 23.—President Wilson will not handle any large number of Christmas pardons, it was announced at the White House today. A few routine pardons will be granted, but there are at present no pardons of importance pending, such as the one dealing with Eugene V. Debs.

FOUR MINERS KILLED

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 23.—Four men are dead today as the result of a cave-in in the Black Diamond coal mine of the Pacific Coal company, southeast of this city. Crows worked all night in an effort to unearth the bodies, but it is expected that it will be late today before they can be reached. Hundreds of tons of rock and earth fell when the roof of the pillar in which the men were working crashed down upon them, killing them instantly, it is supposed.

CHOLERA AT CONSTANTINOPLE. CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 23.—Cholera has broken out in a camp of Russian refugees and hundreds of cases are reported. It is feared that the water supply has become contaminated with the disease germs.

IS YOUNGEST 'LIFER.' International News Service. WHEELING, W. Va., Dec. 23.—Samuel Blovine, aged sixteen, of Little Rock, Ark., pleaded guilty in criminal court to the murder of F. C. Grandstaff, a railroad car inspector. He received a life sentence and is the youngest prisoner ever given such a sentence in West Virginia.

Astor Bandits Escape Despite Police Combing

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Police watched every ferry and railroad terminal in the city for "Shory" and "Al," the two gunmen who fled from the Hotel Astor after holding up four guests. The fugitives got away with sufficient money to give them a long start if they reached a railroad, but detectives on the trail expressed the belief that they are hiding in the city.

The third bandit in the case, Lawrence Hawthorne, alias Clarence Handberg, was held in \$10,000 bail in the West Side court on a charge of burglary. Debonair and smiling, the nattily-garbed youth scarcely looked his twenty-two years. His red hair was brushed smoothly back from his forehead and his close-shaven face was unmarked by the struggle that preceded his capture. He told detectives much concerning his companions, including places where they might be located.

Mr. and Mrs. Owen C. Linthwaite of Red Bank, N. J., and Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Worley of Newark, the gunmen's victims, appeared against Hawthorne. The prisoner said he had planned to hold up the Hotel Astor cashier but was frustrated by the fact that he could not get a room there.

Hotel detectives asserted that Hawthorne was a habitual criminal. They credited him with thefts in the McAlpin and Commodore, and said he had been twice arrested but never convicted.

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WOMAN APPOINTED DEPUTY SHERIFF



Mrs. Louise Phillips, who was recently appointed a deputy sheriff of Alameda county, Calif. Mrs. Phillips is a nurse at the Oakland Receiving hospital and was deputized so she could make arrests if need be in handling disorderly hospital cases.

The first Christian college for women in Asia, the Isabella Thoburn, in Lucknow, recently celebrated its golden jubilee anniversary.

Esperanto Gains in Popularity as World Language

By Associated Press
THE HAGUE, Dec. 23.—Esperanto, the language which its advocates hoped to make a world-wide tongue, is now beginning to make up the loss in prestige it suffered in the war, according to J. Isbrucker, president of the Dutch Esperanto society and one of the international committee members charged by "Universal Esperanto Associa" to bring all Esperanto organizations under one general head.

The "Universal Esperanto Associa" at its international convention in The Hague last August, voted to seek combination with "Central Oficio" and other similar organizations, in an effort to make the 1921 convention, to be held at Prague, Czecho-Slovakia, the greatest gathering of international language enthusiasts in history.

"Although Esperanto suffered during the war, the language showed its usefulness in prison camps and hospitals," Isbrucker said. "Now, it is making great headway, as it is taught in the public schools in Czecho-Slovakia, and to some extent in Spain, Italy and Holland. The Bohemian government will invite representatives of every nation in the world to attend our 1921 convention."

Isbrucker said the Moscow Pravda, official organ of the Soviet government, reported that Esperanto was to be made an obligatory course in the Russian schools. The language, he said, had not made very much headway in the United States.

ST. LOUIS TENANTS SEEK REVENGE ON LANDLORDS FOR RECENT RAISE

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 23.—Many landlords who have increased the rents of their tenants, without proportionately increasing their income tax returns to the government, will find that the tenant has evened up by informing the income tax collectors of the increase, says William E. Hughes, chief of the field force, income tax division, in the office of the collector of internal revenue.

Tenants who have suffered from rent profiteering and who have failed to obtain redress anywhere else have turned to the income tax office in a last effort to see that at least a portion of the toll exacted from them is disgorged, Hughes said. Hundreds of letters along that line have been received by the office here.

A large number of the cases enumerated have been checked, and suits to collect the unpaid tax and penalties for evading the tax and making false returns will be instituted in numerous cases during the month.

WOMAN GIVEN JAIL SENTENCE AND FINE FOR BOOTLEGGING

GOLDEN, Colo., Dec. 23.—Mrs. Sadie Swift, living on West Thirty-eighth avenue, in Jefferson county, was fined \$100 and sentenced to 30 days in jail Monday by District Judge Johnson for bootlegging. The Swift home was raided and a still seized while the owner was at market. Mrs. Swift, who is young and pretty, pleaded to have her fine increased and the jail sentence suspended, but the court refused.

Fifteen of the Presidents of the United States were, at some time during their lives soldiers in active service.

UNEMPLOYMENT BOOSTS GERMAN BOLSHEVISM

By Associated Press
BERLIN, Dec. 23.—Socialist newspapers and communist agitators are making much of the misery resulting from unemployment, high cost of necessities and the winter, and are contrasting the condition of the poor with the prodigal spending of the profiteers. There is perhaps less extravagance than there was before the war, but the number of idle and very poor is said to be greater, and emphasizes present conditions.

Workers for the "red revolution" with the slogan of "poverty and profiteer," are urging the overthrow of the government and the establishment of a dictatorship of the proletariat to relieve the conditions they call intolerable. As the advancing winter they expect to gain enough strength to make an effort to overturn the present regime, which they blame for the troubled economic conditions.

Die Freiheit, organ of the Independent Social Democratic party, issues an "earnest warning" to the government that conditions are coming to a head and that it will be ill for the administration if some tangible effort is not made to relieve idleness. It adds: "It is time for the capitalist regime to take heed. The proletariat has not lost its strength; it is growing stronger against that time when the hour of decision shall strike."

INHERITS \$60,000, BUT WILL STICK TO NAVY

Abraham Schneider, a sailor on the U. S. destroyer Wadsworth, is probably the richest job in Uncle Sam's navy. He recently inherited \$60,000 but in spite of his new wealth will stick to the navy. "There's nothing like the life," says Schneider.

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(Continued from Page One.)
The Times during the last rainy spell? "Wanted Santa to Come."
"I wanted so much to see Santa come to see my little kiddies this Christmas, but now that it's started in dark and rainy there's very little chance of it," a widowed mother with ten little children told the Times' Christmas Cheer Fund man a few days ago.

"Somehow this rainy weather makes it hard for a person who has to wash for a living to do as well as they might," she continued. "Santa always came to see the little fellows when their father was living, but since he died it's about all I can do to make ends meet. I had saved up enough, I thought to guarantee Santa's visit to Clara, Jimmy and Sue, but this weather will prevent that, I am afraid."

"The wind blows the clothes down in the mud and they have to be washed over again and during the wet weather they simply won't hardly dry. We haven't hardly got enough room to turn around in this tent, to say nothing of drying clothes in it. So, I guess Santa'll have to skip us this year but—" and the poor old woman broke down in tears—"I planned so much for Santa to visit the little fellows and now—"

Live in a Ten.
In a one-room tent on the East side of the city, the Times Christmas Cheer man found them all, the mother and ten children, living. There was no floor and the rain seeped in through the half-

rotten canvas. In one corner stood a little stove which burned wood that the children would gather from the fields and woods around Ranger. They were too poor to afford gas.

"Sometimes," said the little 3-year-old Sue, "we all go to bed to keep warm, when it is more than usually wet and cold, but we have the best time playing peek-a-boo with the rain drops, which sneak through the top of the tent. Oh, it's fun to stick your nose out from under the cover and let Mr. Raindrop think he's going to hit you right on the end of the nose, an' then you dodge and he don't hit you a-tall," and her little brown eyes just sparkled while she laughed.

"But Jimmy," she continued, referring to her little 5-year-old brother, "has the bestest horse. His name's Pedro," she said, showing the Times' Christmas Cheer Fund man a large swivelled old Irish potato that had been peeled and carried into a resemblance of a steed, tooth picks being used for legs and a feather for the animal's tail, "and he's just the meanest thing in the world. The other day, he runned away and brother had to skin 'im alive. It's just awful the way he cuts up at times."

The "Bestest Dollie."
"We've got a fire wagon too," she continued, displaying a rickety cigar box with spoons for wheels, "and whenever an alarm is turned in, Pedro gets himself hitched up to it and we go to the fire too. Oh, its just lots of fun to watch him run."

"But I haven't showed you my dolly yet," she said, catching hold of the Christmas Cheer man's sleeve as he turned to leave. "Her name's Marguerite and she is just the bootifulest an' best-

est little thing," and she thrust a clothes-pin doll, wrapped in a dress from the ragbag, into the man's hands.

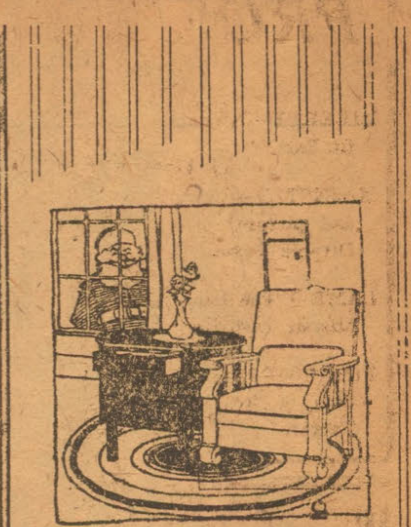
"Oh, there!" she exclaimed peevishly "you naughty child! You've gone and got your nose crooked again! Why is it that your mamma has to put a fresh charcoal nose on you ev'ry minute?" and she snatched the dollie out of the man's arms and made as if to spank it, but she was rocking her body to and fro on the corner of a dry goods box, which the family used as a chair, crooning her baby to sleep, when the man left.

HOME OF EX-KINGS UNDER LITIGATION

By Associated Press
BLOIS, France, Dec. 23.—The ownership of the royal Domain of Chambord, the home of former Kings of France, soon will be decided before the local courts.

Chambord, in 1914, was placed under sequestration as belonging to the Prince Helie de Bourbon-Parne, a brother of the former Empress Zita of Austria-Hungary, who was married to the daughter of the Generalissimo of the Austro army. It was to be sold along with other enemy property but the Princess Xavier and Sixte de Bourbon-Parne, both of whom fought with the allied armies and are decorated with the Croix de Guerre, opposed the sale, asking that the property revert to them as nearest of kin.

The first Chinese woman to avail herself of the Dominion divorce laws is Mrs. Wong Lal, of Vancouver, who has petitioned the court for a legal separation from her husband.



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Watch Our Announcements. It Pays to Do So.

By BILLY DE BECK

Barney's Not to Be Caught in Any Trap Like That—

PROGRAM

LIBERTY—"Bennison" in "The Misfit Earl."

MAJESTIC—Ripple's Dixie Darlings and picture, Alice Brady in "The Divorce Game."

LAMB—"The Last of the Mohicans," all-star cast.

TEMPLE—Ethel Clayton in "The Sign of the Cross," also "Son of Tarzan."



Women Workers Seek Passage of Labor Measures

AUSTIN, Dec. 23.—A total of twenty-one recommendations for legislation is made in the report of the Woman's Division of the Bureau of Labor Statistics, recently submitted to Labor Commissioner T. C. Jennings by Mrs. Claude De Vann Watts, head of the division.

Mrs. De Vann Watts outlined the following policies, which she declared should be adopted by the state:

"No woman should be employed for more than eight hours in any one day. The time when the work period begins and ends and the time allowed for meals and rest periods should be conspicuously posted in work rooms and a strict supervision of overtime kept.

"Half holidays on Saturday should be the custom. The weekly half holiday has been found to be almost a necessity. It enables the worker to do necessary shopping, to attend to social and household duties, and affords opportunities for recreation which cannot be obtained after working hours of the full day, therefore becoming one of the principal agencies in building better intellectual, moral and home conditions.

Every woman should have one day of rest out of seven.

"At least three-quarters of an hour should be allowed every woman worker for meals.

"A rest period should be allowed in the middle of each work period. The day should be divided into two work periods by the noon meal, and short rest periods of from ten to fifteen minutes allowed in the middle of each period. This is one means for avoiding the consequences of fatigue, by affording relaxation from the physical strain incident to employment.

"No woman should be employed between the hours of 10 p. m. and 6 a. m.

"To secure equal pay for equal work regardless of sex. If a difference in the output is shown, the wage should be based on the difference in output, and not fixed arbitrarily, as is usually the case.

"Continuous standing, sitting or heavy lifting, should be prohibited, and suitable seats provided for every woman employed, and their use encouraged.

"All machinery should be safeguarded and fire drills and other forms of safety regulations instituted.

"Dress suitable for occupation, health and safety should be required.

"To make a thorough study in matters of industrial hygiene in order to be cognizant of conditions leading to deterioration of health, and be able to promote industrial hygiene and sanitation.

"Proper provisions should be made for lighting, ventilation and comfortable dressing and rest rooms provided.

"No work should be given out to be done in rooms used for living or sleeping purposes, or in any rooms directly connected with such quarters.

"No child should be employed in industrial pursuits where the service of an adult can be used, and under no circumstances where it comes in contact with influences which may have a bad effect upon its physical, moral or mental condition.

"No child should be permitted to work more than eight hours per day of twenty-four hours, and under no conditions should it be permitted to work after 8 p. m. or before 6 a. m.

ATTORNEY WHO SAYS HE WILL SOLVE THE DEATH OF HAMON



Russell B. Brown, county attorney of Ardmore, Okla., who is pressing the investigation into the shooting and death of Jake L. Hamon, millionaire politician and oil prospector of Ardmore. He says his work has been hampered by powerful influences and that he may bring the names of prominent people before the grand jury. Mr. Brown has issued orders for the arrest of Clara Smith Hamon, who is being sought throughout the country in connection with the shooting.

Taxation Reform Most Important Legislation, Say

AUSTIN, Dec. 23.—The Thirty-seventh Legislature, which will convene in regular session at Austin on Jan. 11, 1921, is composed of 142 representatives and thirty-one senators. Lieutenant Governor-elect Lynch Davidson will preside over the senate. A number of representatives have entered the race for speaker of the house, with no definite indications as to which will be successful.

The Texas legislature is overwhelmingly Democratic. In the senate thirty democrats are assured, with a possible contest between a Democrat and a Republican for the thirty-first place. Unofficial reports reaching the capital are that four American Party candidates for the house of representatives defeated their Democratic opponents in the general election. The remainder of the house is Democratic. Thus, the platform adopted last summer by the state democratic convention is the platform expected to influence to a large extent the trend of most important subjects to be considered by the body.

Proposed reform of the taxation system of the state will in all probability be the most important measure, from the state standpoint, to be taken up, and its consideration promises to develop considerable contention. The state platform directs that the legislature consider and try to remedy such defects as may be found in the present system of taxation before taking up a new one. The state comptroller and the state tax commissioner have recommended a state tax board to equalize all property values, while Representative John A. Smith of Austin has prepared a bill proposing radical changes from present taxation methods.

Amendment of the law authorizing the fixing of a minimum wage for women and minors in Texas, which has not been enforced because of the commission appointed to fix the minimum said they could not fix a just wage scale under the present law, is the most important labor measure scheduled at present.

A reform of the judiciary system of the state has been urged from several sources, including the state Democratic platform, and Representative Joe Burnett of Eastland has declared that he will introduce a bill proposing to abolish the nine courts of civil appeals and delegate their jurisdiction to the state supreme court, which he would increase from three to twelve members.

Lived in Dream World, Says Woman at Murder Trial

OAKLAND, Cal., Dec. 23.—Virginia Clark, accused of the murder of her husband, Chester J. Clark, was again on the stand for the third day, when court resumed and continued the narration of the story of her life.

It was hard to separate the tangible from the dream, she told the jury. Of one thing she was certain—that all the letters she wrote were part of her existence in her dream world. Of the letters, she wrote many and to almost everyone whose name and address she knew.

Letter-writing became the obsession of her life. All her money she spent for stationery and postage, and her visits she set up writing letters, 20 to 30 every night. It was thus that through correspondence with Chester Clark, he lived in her dreams, and his letters were so nice and her name looked so pretty on the envelopes, she said, that she conceived the idea of making her dreams come true.

When he proposed to her in her dream world, she accepted him in reality, and the marriage followed.

Of correspondents she had many, she testified, all flattering, all writing her of their love. "God help the girl," she told the court, "who has as many proposals of marriage as I have had."

Thus, she said, she wrote to Fred Long of hunting wildcats at Lake Tahoe though she has never been there in her life; she told of her eight canaries and offered to send one to "Mama" Long, though she never has owned a bird; she told of playing favorite airs of Long's on the phonograph each night, though she never has owned a machine, and all her statements were dream fancies.

Virginia was also anxious to have the world believe she was one of the descendants of a proud old family. She told her acquaintances that while she could not trace her ancestry back to Robert E. Lee, she was nevertheless one of the members of a Southern family of distinction and standing. Remonstrated with by her mother for this, she replied she enjoyed the respect she created and in the end it could do no harm.

One of the most distinguished physicians in South America is Dr. Ernestina Perez of Chile, the daughter of a washerwoman.

LITTLE GIRL BRIDE OF TWO MEN, JOKES ABOUT HER ARREST



Pretty, well-dressed and not a bit distressed about her arrest, Edith Blaisdell Guadagno-Essa, who will not be sixteen for almost two months, is being held by the Syracuse, N. Y., police. She calmly admits she has twice been married in the last six months and not once divorced, though both husbands are living. She ran away from her first husband a week after they had been married. Four weeks ago she married Neil Essa.

The campaign for national suffrage cost the National Woman's party more than \$600,000 during the past seven years.

COMPANION BILKS BOY PROWLERS OF THEFT PROCEEDS

Two boys, one 12 and the other 14 years old, are in the city jail, confessed prowlers who broke into the home of J. R. Curtis, a local banker, several days ago. A quantity of clothing, which included silk shirts, silk hose and neckties, were stolen from the house during the afternoon. The boys in jail admit being implicated in the theft but say that another boy disposed of the goods and they did not get anything. The third boy has not yet been located.

Because of their years no charges of theft can be filed against them and they will be released after having time to consider the error of their ways.

HE DID THE BEST.

Raymond: Great Scott, Clara! What do you mean by keeping me at the corner, waiting half an hour and looking like a silly fool?

Clara (sweetly): I know I kept you waiting, Raymond dear, but really you know you did the rest yourself.—London Ideas.

MORTUARY

The body of Alva Earl Gee, 27 years old, who died Tuesday at his home in Ranger, was sent last night by the Jones-Cox Undertaking company to Kansas City, Mo., for burial. The deceased was afflicted with tuberculosis.

BONES OF PILGRIMS RECENTLY EXPOSED

PLYMOUTH, Mass., Dec. 23.—The bones of some of the Pilgrim fathers were exposed for a time yesterday when the box in which they have been kept was taken from the canopy over Plymouth Rock, where it had rested since 1880. The records do not identify the bodies, but the two relatively well-preserved skulls and other bones found in the casket are reputed to be those of members of the colony who died during the ordeal of the first winter.

The canopy is to be removed and the rock reset under conditions that will bring it again to shore level.

CITY STREET FORCE TO BE 'FIRED' INTO COLD, CRUEL WORLD ON XMAS

There are perhaps half a dozen men in the city jail under charges of vagrancy. Their individual worth ranges from exactly nothing to perhaps \$2. They are working their fines out on the streets, Saturday morning being Christmas, they will be released, regardless of how much yet remains unpaid of their fines. This applies to every man who is being held under a finable offense.

The majority of the number are mere boys—from 16 to 22 years old—who are a long way from their own roof tree for the holiday season.

It is said that a cheerful meal on that day from some big-hearted man or woman might make the day less lonesome.

TEXAS HAS HALF MILLION ACRES OF IRRIGATED LAND

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 23.—Irrigated acreage in Texas passed the half million figure during the last fiscal year, according to an estimate which will be contained in the biennial report of the board of water engineers.

During the past two fiscal years forty reservoirs with a combined capacity of 380,442 acre feet have been constructed, and fifty pumping plants which divert 27,848 acre feet of water annually have been built.

The board estimates that it requires 1,500 pounds of water to produce one pound of dry plant substance, and from 500,000 to 1,500,000 gallons per acre every year. One horsepower per year is estimated to be equivalent to the energy derived from eight tons of coal.

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STREET TAX NECESSARY.

A serious obstacle to clean streets in the business district arises in the opinion of the city attorneys that the occupation tax to raise funds for that purpose would not be valid. With the consent and indorsement of a great majority of those affected, it had been felt that the adoption of this tax measure would solve a problem that must be disposed of.

Two methods of procuring funds for street cleaning appear open. One is by means of voluntary contributions. This has failed, through the selfishness of some few individuals. The other is by taxation for that purpose. Now that does not appear possible, at least in the form proposed. However, taking as an axiom the fact that the streets must be cleaned and having eliminated the individual contribution idea, some taxation method is essential. What form it is to take is a question that some city builder can win approval by answering.

Perhaps there would be no fight made on the enforcement of an occupation tax for such a purpose, even if it is a new departure in taxation. Perhaps the city could adopt a street tax, graduated according to the location of property, which would provide the necessary funds. Perhaps some other form of taxation may be legal. But whatever the name under which it goes, a tax for the purpose of raising money to clean the pavement must be levied.

And when such levy is made, it should be remembered that the principal object of clean streets is to attract out-of-town trade, and its benefit will redound especially to the merchants in the downtown district. This statement holds true in the main, though of course the entire town is benefited indirectly through increased employment from enlarged sales. However, the oil companies, the tool houses and other plants in the outskirts are not especially helped by a clean street downtown, and they should not be heavily taxed for this purpose. The city commission recognized the justice of this when it set the present tax rate.

As a suggestion, therefore, we recommend to the city commission and to the civic bodies, that a graduated street tax be levied; that the paved area be assessed a little more than half the necessary sum for street cleaning purposes, and the remainder be assessed against property facing the unpaved streets, for maintenance and upkeep purposes. Since such a tax would place the burden where it belongs, it would seem, superficially at least, to meet the same object as the occupation tax. If this suggestion is workable, Ranger is welcome to it; if it is not, in rejection of it for cause, another plan may be conceived.

The streets must be cleaned. Mr. Burleson says that the Postoffice Department advanced under his leadership. He is the first, and probably the only man to make that interesting discovery.—Boston Transcript.

Revenue officers will assist in making out income-tax returns, but as for paying, the "incomer" will have to do that without assistance from Uncle Sam's men.—Pittsburg Gazette-Times.

The people who talk about returning to "common sense" forget that common sense never has been any too common.—Charleston News and Courier.

The war produced a lot of fiction—including the declaration that it had the world safe for democracy.—Columbia Record.

The one activity without a scramble

THE WOMAN WHO SAW

Blow, Bugle, Blow!
It was the bugle note of approaching Christmas, and it happened on the Erie. The young parents with the two tired youngsters lived to toll through the long avenue of lux from tube to train. One of the kiddies the mother carried, for he was asleep, and there was nothing else to do. She scolded a little as she sank into a seat in the rear car.
"I shall never take the children again when I go to sleep."
"I told you not to," admonished Friend Husband.
"Oh, you told me! That's right, rub it in." Then, "Dear me," she wailed, "I don't see why they make the arms of these seats so low that no one can rest on them."
"They do seem rather low," soothed husband, for the head of the younger boy was very heavy and the car was hot.
"I don't see why you let him go to sleep," she continued, for she just had to blame somebody, and husband was big and sympathetic, and she could go on scolding as much as she wanted to, and he wouldn't care.
"How could I keep him awake?" he queried.
"You might have talked to him," she suggested. "He always listens to your stories."
"Oh, Daddy!" piped up the older kiddies. "Oh, Daddy, tell me some more stories about Santa Claus!"
Everybody laughed. Then the sleepy boy woke up, squirmed free from the imprisoning arms of his tired mother, and Daddy and the two youngsters were the next minute in the middle of stories of old Santa—the same kind—for the 1920 crop is no different—no different. It was the first bugle note of Christmas on the Erie. And everybody recognized it.

Seen in London Town.
From overseas came a letter to the Woman the other day from the Nicest Man in the World. He had been in London on Armistice day, and he wrote of the wonderful two minutes when all the big city paused in silence in memory of those who had given their lives for king and country. Then he added, "Even here, where newspaper reporting makes less of the human-interest stuff than we do, I found some one who 'saw' on that day as you are trying to do in New York. I'm tucking in a little clipping of one incident of that tragically significant occasion. Perhaps you'd like to take your readers across the ocean and let them have a peep at the human drama here."
And this is the clipping:
"The little fellow stood at the automatic machine on one of our smaller stations on Thursday, struggling to get his penny into the slot. He was hardly tall enough to reach the hole, and scarcely strong enough to pull the drawer. His harassed mother stood beside him vainly endeavoring to persuade him to let her get the change out. Suddenly the clock struck 11! 'Hush, Dicky, dear! Listen! The bell is ringing for daddie. We must be quiet for two whole minutes! The little boy seemed to understand. He ceased his efforts and stood with wondering eyes looking into his mother's face, trying to fathom the meaning of the tears which coursed down her cheeks. When the silence was over she stooped, and kissed her little son. 'If daddie was here, he'd get me some choicies, wouldn't he, mummy, dear?' he whispered. 'Praps he is here,' he added, as two bars of chocolate were drawn from the machine by his mother. 'I'm sure he is, darling,' she sobbed."

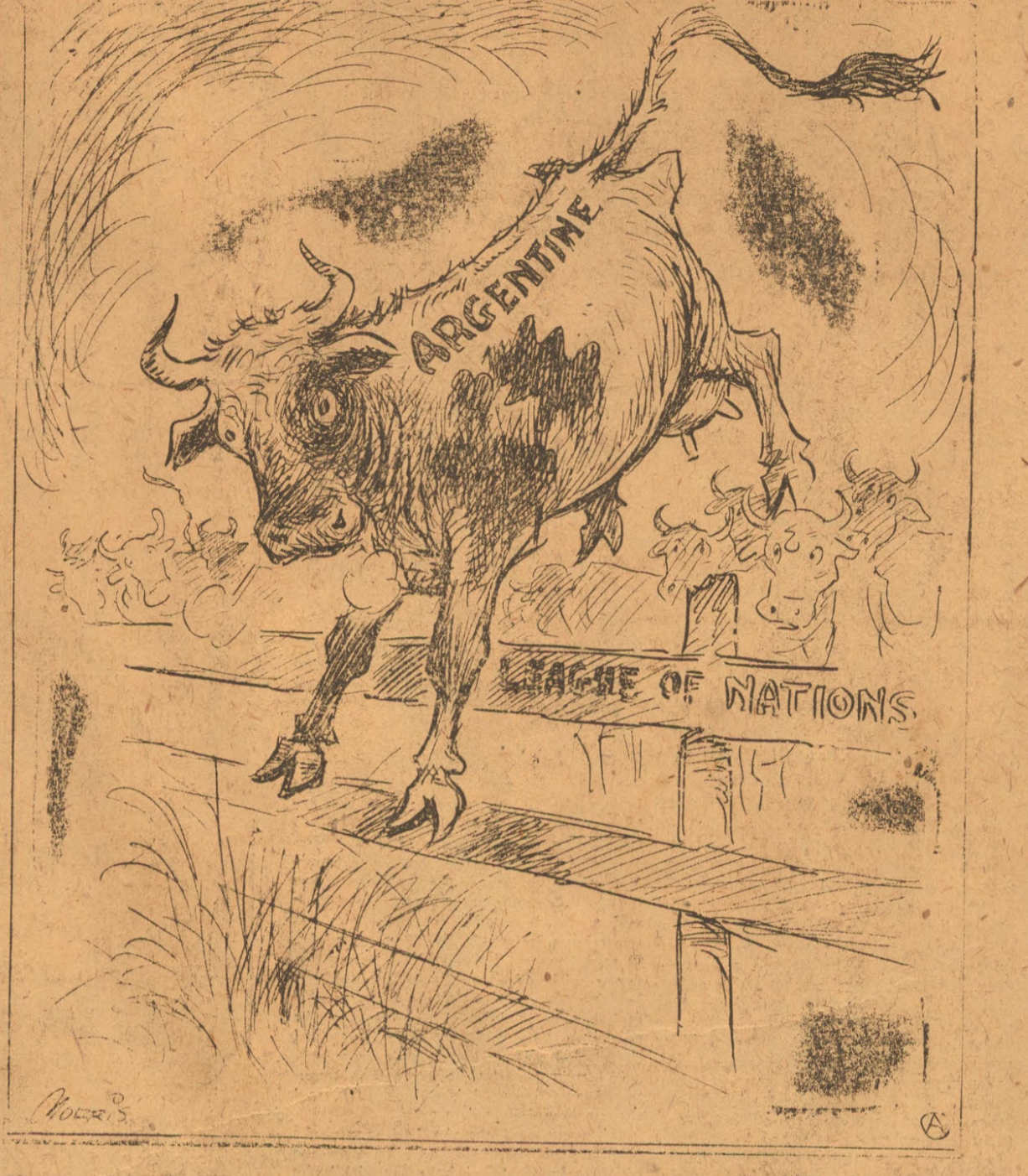
The Moving Cause.
The Woman was crossing a busy traffic center in the much maligned Borough of Brooklyn. Out of the tangle of vehicles emerged a big box truck and shot ahead at a speed not popular in the eyes of the law or pedestrians. As the Woman dodged it she glimpsed, swinging jauntily up behind the shirt-sleeved driver, his coat hung from a peg on a coat hanger, just as it doubtless hung in the clothes press at home, and she thought, "Forgoing her peril, the Woman turned to watch as the truck bowled away. The driver's unconsciousness indicated that to him there was nothing strange about the matter. Forthwith she fell to wondering. Was it a thrifty wife or mother who hung it there? Or perchance was it a precaution inspired by the thought of a sweetheart who would be waiting for him when the truck stalled, he would call for "his girl" in his best coat.

Mrs. Harriet T. Upton, president of the Ohio State Suffrage association, is slated to be the first woman member of President-elect Harding's cabinet, and will be secretary of the new Department of Welfare, provided Congress passes the bill.

BRITISH COMMANDER ORDERS SURRENDER OF FIREARMS IN ERIN



OVER THE FENCE AND OUT?



"Tinker Bob" Stories

by Carlyle H. Holcomb

AND SIX WERE LOST.

Tinker Bob, the wonderful little King of the Forest, found out that snow storm was the most dangerous thing that ever overtook a flock of geese. It was snowing fast, and they were so high above the ground that the snow kept them from seeing the earth. "What can I do to help you," cried Tinker Bob, for he could see that the leader of the flock was a little worried and hardly knew which way to go.
"There is one danger in a storm," said the leader, "and that is this, so many get lost and the flock is divided. Then we never see our friends again." It was snowing so fast that Tinker Bob could not see the last one. He knew that something must be done or they would soon become confused and then they would be lost. And the snow was now becoming so heavy that it was becoming more difficult for them to fly. They would have to slow up.

The leader of the flock was so glad to have Tinker offer his services that he could not speak.

Tinker Bob spied the pond and he tapped the Stone again which was a signal for the Wonderful Creature to take him back to the leader of the flock of geese. Only an instant had passed and again he was by the side of the leader. "I have found a place," he cried, and suddenly there was a sound from the leader that was repeated all the way back to the last goose and they began to drop. Then Tinker tapped the Stone again and led them safely to the pond in the midst of the wood. But to his surprise when they reached the pond six of them were missing that were with him in the beginning, and Tinker said he: "I must find the lost."

Tomorrow—The Foolish Geese.

nuts and a wheel lot of bananas and oranges. Yours truly,
RAYMOND NELLIGAN,
419 Joe Bailey avenue.

Dear Santa: I am 5 years old. Please bring me a big doll, a new pair of stockings, a doll bed, a little toy piano and some candy and nuts. Your little friend,
MARGARET OLIVE NELLIGAN,
419 Joe Bailey avenue.

Dear Santa: I am a little boy, 9 years old. I go to school and I want to tell you what I would like for you to bring me for Christmas. I would like to have an air gun. That is all I want, but I have two little sisters and two little brothers, aged 2, 5, 4, and 7 years, and I would like for you to bring them something. My mother is sick and my father is unable to support us. Your little friend,
ALVA BRIGGS

Preached Eloquent Sermon, Then Gave Worthless Check

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—A tall, well-dressed, clerical looking gentleman—at least he was supposed to have been a gentleman—appeared in Somerville, N. J., last Saturday and through his suave manners immediately began to make friends. He distributed neatly engraved cards with a free hand. They read, "The Rev. George Maurice Parker, D. D., Editor Century Magazine." Dr. Parker was taken with Somerville. It was his first visit there and immediately he decided he would make the place his future home.

Among those with whom he became acquainted was the Rev. Dr. Charles Sprout, pastor of the First Reformed church, and several of the elders. They introduced him generally among the members of the congregation and Dr. Parker announced that he soon would become one of them. This was at sundown morning service.

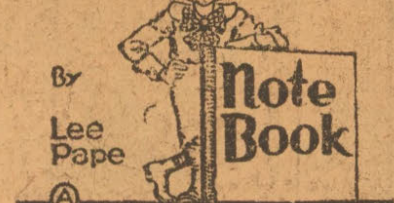
Impressed the congregation. In the evening he went to the Methodist church. There he announced that was his denomination and if he decided to make Somerville his home he certainly would join the church.

He addressed the congregation and led the members in prayer. They said it was one of the most fervent they had ever heard. Men and women implored him to make the Jersey town his home and he finally said he would. He was introduced to Harry E. Garner, a local real estate operator, who undertook the task of selecting a home for the stranger. Then Dr. Parker was introduced at the Somerville Trust company, immediately he opened an account, depositing a check for \$700 drawn on a Washington bank. That was Monday morning. In the afternoon he returned.

"I have decided to buy a home here," he told the cashier, "and I would like to draw \$300 to bid the bargain."
"Certainly," said the cashier, and he drew the check and received the money.

UNIVERSITY GETS MONEY FOR ZOOLOGY RESEARCH
AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 23.—Announcement has been made of a donation of \$500 from H. A. Wroe, a regent of the University of Texas, to the department of zoology for the encouragement of research work. The specific purpose of the gift, which is the first of its kind that the university has ever received, is to finance the purchase and care of animals for biological research. Experiments already conducted by the department of zoology have proven of such in-

Little Bennis



BEING SICK
There is 2 kinds of health, good and bad, only people don't notice it till they begin to get bad and then they start to remember how good it was when it wasn't.

People get more pleasure out of telling how bad they feel than what they do out of telling how good they feel, on account of that being the only pleasure there is in it. If you want to hear how good they feel you have to ask them but if you want to hear how bad they feel all you have to do is just listen. The first thing you do when you get a stomachic ache for any reason is to go around bragging about it but when you feel so good you couldn't feel any better if you tried you hardly ever go around saying, O boy maybe I don't feel grate. This proves bad news travels the fastest.

As soon as you begin to feel sick you start to think, G, I wish I was better, but when you feel all right you never think, G, it's a good thing I ain't sick. This proves it's easier to have a bum time than it is to enjoy yourself.

When a person feels a little sick they just stay that way and hope they get worse, and when they get worse they say they're going to go to the doctor if they get worse than that, which they probably would, only by the time they get worse than that the doctor has to come to them.

It sounds worst to say your sick in bed than what it does to just say your sick, and if you say your sick in bed with a nerve it sounds worse.

You don't have to be sick just to get a boil on the back of your neck, being a good thing on account of the boil being bad enuff by itself.

RIPPLING RHYMES

USELESS REGRETS.

I'm old and badly on the blink; I have no brains with which to think, no teeth with which to eat; my head is bald, my ears are blind, and rheumatiz, the compound kind, is sizzling in my feet. I often gnash my toothless jaws, and wring my hands, with ample cause, regretting past mistakes; I once was quite a husky kid, who didn't feel a liver nod, and knew no pains or aches. I didn't guard my precious health, which was a better thing than wealth, a better thing than fame; I jogged along with heedless fools and violated all the rules, and now I'm stiff and lame. I trace each ailment to his source, to conduct foolish, rain and course, in days when I was young; because of breaks made long ago I now have corns on every toe, a spavin on each lung. I see the young folks go their way, and turn the night time into day, where sports chase by in streams; they paint the town three shades of red when they should be safely in bed, and dreaming moral dreams. And when they're old they'll pay the bill; they look back from life's western bill, regretting conduct wrong; and there would be no bills to pay had they walked the narrow way when they were young and strong.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Denver danced for the first time to music via wireless Friday night in the auditorium of the Manual Training high school. The event climaxed successful efforts of local wireless enthusiasts, after years of experimenting, to conduct musical tones through ether.

Lieut. W. Winner sent the music from the Fitzsimons general hospital. The wireless apparatus has been tested and found perfect in every detail. The musical tones reproduced in the amphiphone which magnifies the sound waves traveling from the army hospital to the high school building, are doubled and trebled in volume as compared with the sound of the instrument sending the music.

Invitations for the event were sent to state and city officials and to members of the Denver school board. According to managers of the wireless dance, it is the first affair of its kind ever to be staged in the West.

Denver Students Dance to Tunes Sent by Wireless

RETURNERS FROM HOLY LAND AND TELLS OF THRILLING TIMES

Miss Helen M. Davison, daughter of the superintendent of schools of Pittsburg, Pa., photographed on her arrival in New York from the Holy Land. While abroad Miss Davison had many thrilling experiences. She was the first white woman to travel through Assuit, Africa, after the Egyptian uprising, and was fired upon by bandits at Ephesus, Asia. After six months of Y. M. C. A. work in Constantinople and nine months of teaching in the American college there, Miss Davison took the Holy Land and



Advertising Reduces Selling Price

Once upon a time, not so many years ago, a certain merchant kept a sign in his window stating that he could afford to sell his goods at lower prices than his neighbors because he did not spend money for advertising.

That was nothing more nor less than an admission that he did not know how to intelligently apply advertising to his business. For years he seemed successful, and of the march of advertising progress. He stubbornly insisted that advertising was an expense. Eventually, others handling the same lines of goods crowded in about him.

He felt secure because his store had been established for a half century. He had a large following that was apparently loyal to him. But the new competitors were keen, persistent advertisers. In the course of a few years, some of them did as much business as he. Their merchandise was as good as his and they actually met his prices. Sometimes they annoyingly went below his figures. It is a fact that they accomplished in five years, by the use of intelligent newspaper advertising, as much as he and his father before him had accomplished in half a century.

Although he turned a deaf ear to the advertising men who approached him, and lost his temper on occasions, the pressure became too great and he was finally forced to yield. He became an advertiser. And he regrets that he did not surrender years before—at a time when newspaper advertising began to be recognized as an agent of economy in business instead of an added expense.

Who pays for the advertising? Advertising costs money, of course, and there must be some easily understood explanation why it is not an expense—why it does not add to the cost of merchandise.

Intelligent newspaper advertising describes desirable merchandise in an attractive manner, quotes a reasonable price and points the way to the door of the man who has it for sale.

It speaks persuasively to thousands of interested readers every day.

It creates six big selling days where there used to be only one or two. It makes more business by arousing more human desires. The movement to satisfy these desires throws an increased demand back upon the manufacturer, and general prosperity follows.

It transforms empty stores into busy markets of trade and makes room for new stores. It links our shopping districts and of the great retail centers of the country. It banishes the enormous waste resulting from unused facilities, such as floor space, light, heat and idle clerks.

It makes goods sell faster, thereby enabling the merchant to transact a large business on a smaller investment.

It enables the advertising merchant to "turn over his stock" several times often during the year than does the non-advertising dealer and this adds profits with comparatively little additional selling expense.

An Associated Press dispatch from Cambridge, Mass., says:

"The bureau of business research established several years ago at Harvard university has issued a bulletin, which deals with the cost of retailing shoes. Field agents have sent in reports of the investigation of more than 120 shoe stores in various parts of the country. Among other things, the bureau asserts that it has found gross profit ranges from 20 to 40 per cent of the net selling price, and that operating expenses range from 18 to 35 per cent of the net selling price, which means that some stores are nearly twice as efficient as others."

"Stores that turn over their stock only once a year add others turning their stocks four times were encountered by the investigators, who declared that millions of capital could be released from investment in merchandise if the retailer increased his stock turns."

"More stock turns," it is declared, "means an increase in net profit without any raising of price a pair."

And advertising "turns over" stocks, thereby increasing the net profits of a business and at the same time making lower selling prices possible, which, in turn, increases business.

The manufacturer who has goods to sell to the retailer, and—
The retailer who has goods to sell to the public—
Cannot wisely do without advertising.

For the first it creates distribution; for the second it provides customers; and—
By cumulative effect works itself into a force which makes it the most wonderful agent of economy for both reader and advertiser that has ever been developed.

Because of its great influence in the home, this newspaper—with its great army of thrifty readers—is invaluable by the merchant or manufacturer, intelligently, effectively and efficiently.

THE RANGER DAILY TIMES
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MAJESTIC, NEW RANGER HOTEL, OPENS TODAY

The new Majestic hotel on Rusk street opens today under the management of James & McCleskey, formerly of the Southland. The new hostelry occupies the two floors above the Majestic theatre and has forty-five rooms, the majority of which are outside exposures. On the second floor there is a ladies' parlor equipped with piano and phonograph. On the ground floor next to the theatre is a spacious lobby.

All rooms contain hot and cold running water. The furniture of the new hotel is of solid oak and all new. Suites have been arranged with the idea in mind of making permanent homes for those who live in hotels.

The Majestic building has been in the course of construction for more than a year. Its construction is of brick and concrete and is fire-proof.

SOCIETY

MRS. BOSTAPH HONORED.

Mrs. E. J. Barnes was hostess to a bridge party of five tables at her lovely home in Gholsen addition on Wednesday afternoon, honoring Mrs. Frederick D. Bostaph, who is moving to Thurber the first of January. Christmas greens and flowers were the house decorations suggestive of the holiday season and baskets of cut flowers were given to the honor guest and to the winner of the game, high score, with an ivory piece for consolation. Those playing were Misses Bostaph, Collier, Newnam, Reid, E. P. Hodge, Karl Jones, French, Burke, Reavis, H. H. Panton, A. L. Berger, Stockman, Taggart, Ross Hodges, Madigan, Gullahorn, Whitehall, Outlaw, Skillema, Phillips, Gholsen, Vandervoort and Albina Knigge.

YOUNG PARENT-TEACHERS.

The Parent-Teachers' association of the Young school met Tuesday with a good attendance. All business having been transacted, the following program was rendered: Christmas greeting, June Bugard; song by Mrs. McNoy's primary class; song, "Holy Night," pupils of fifth grade; reading by Jessie Mae Adams; reading by Gladys Maddocks; "An Outline of Work for the Parent-Teachers' Association of Young School as I See the Need," Mrs. C. M. Collins.

Following the program was a social hour with Mrs. J. P. Scott as hostess.

PERSONALS.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Olive left last night for El Paso, where they will spend the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Ordway of Amarillo are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Chenoweth.

Mrs. J. A. Chatin and children, who have been visiting Mrs. Chatin's sister, Mrs. C. K. Brown, left for their home in Breckinridge this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Lytton Taylor and children left today for El Paso to spend Christmas.

H. A. Floyd was in Fort Worth Wednesday.

P. J. Neff, superintendent of the Hamon-Kell line, returned this morning from a business trip to Chicago and St. Louis.

L. M. Shell and family left yesterday to spend the holidays with friends in Gustine.

SAYS HER HUSBAND WAS "LOVE AGENT" OF SLAIN OIL MAGNATE



Mrs. Ruth Walker Hamon, wife of Frank L. Hamon of Sacramento, Calif., who has revealed her husband as the paid "love agent" of Jake L. Hamon, millionaire oil man and politician of Oklahoma, who was slain by Clara Smith Hamon, according to a report from San Francisco. For his services in becoming a "convenience" husband to Clara Smith, in order that she might bear the name of Hamon, the wealthy uncle paid Frank Hamon \$100 a month, declared Mrs. Ruth Walker Hamon. Shortly before the shooting in Ardmore, Okla., Frank Hamon disappeared and is still missing.

The new army gas mask, instead of being carried on the chest, fits under the armpit, and one motion enables the wearer to get it on his head. It has no mouth and nose clip inside, and air is drawn across the inside of the glasses to keep them clean. Speech, sleeping and all ordinary tasks are simple with it.

LOWER RENTS
in Ranger mean
MORE HOMES

ALLIES TO REPLY ON GERMAN PLAN FOR REPARATION

BRUSSELS, Dec. 23.—German delegates in session here, elaborated their plans for paying reparations with goods and materials. The allied representatives were prepared, when this morning's session opened, to tell the Germans what features of the plan seemed acceptable and what must be discarded.

Only one session of the conference was held as the British and French delegates were asked by their associates to have individual conversations with various German experts. These conversations were intended to develop fully the various aspects of the German scheme for delivering goods and to determine the chances for cash payment more thoroughly than has been possible in brief sessions of the conference.

The German plan, as has been outlined, would provide for a supervising organization to arrange for countries that were awarded reparations to order building material and other goods directly from manufacturers who would be paid by the German government from a reparations fund. This fund would be created by annual appropriations by the Berlin government, or else the allies' orders would be filed under a system of credits arranged by Germany with her industrial groups.

Expect Assistance.

Germany should expect more from a sane, practical policy on the part of the United States than from any efforts toward reconstruction by the League of Nations, declared Dr. Gustav Stresemann, leader of the German Peoples' party, in an address here. In this connection, he suggested that a world economic clearing house system to which he said a number of important Americans were giving their attention, might to some degree restore economic order.

Dr. Stresemann declared England was more satisfied with the results of the war than France, and, therefore, was more willing to see Germany regain her feet economically.

"Industrial England," he added, "fears the advancing threat of Bolshevism, and recognizes Germany can rear the necessary wall against this advance, only if she is so firmly established economically that the spirit of Bolshevism cannot flourish within her boundaries. There cannot be a compromise with the French policy, which seeks to weaken or destroy the German nation, with the Rhineland Federation leaning on France, or with Bavaria separated and arrayed against northern German states."

STORK'S ARRIVAL BEATS SKIPPER OUT OF \$2,000

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 23.—Wishing that his son might be a natural-born American citizen, Ng Hung Let, a merchant of Elko, Nev., who arrived on the China Mail steamer Nile with his wife and 10-day-old son, offered Captain Kingsley a \$2,000 bonus if he could bring his vessel into San Francisco before the arrival of the stork, was the story told by Nile passengers.

In spite of everything the captain could do to hasten the ship's arrival, the stork overtook the Nile on Dec. 3 and presented the Celestial merchant with Ng George Nile, who, instead of being an American citizen, must pay allegiance to the British crown, as the steamer Nile operates under a British registry.

THIS MAN SHOULD BE A LITERARY GENT: HE 'SOLD' THIS STORY TO THE JUDGE FOR \$20.70, SPOT GOLD

This morning the story of Old Dog Tray came to mind at the police station. Tray, you remember, was a good dog but strayed into bad company and was the leading actor at a dog-canning or something like that—at least Tray was leading the can by about two feet.

In the police station a young man told a pathetic story of how he was arrested last night just as he stepped into a room where a gambling game was in progress. To the court he pleaded that he had a sick wife at the hotel where the game was going on, and stepped into that room in search of the porter. Not finding him, he started out just as the officer started into the room, and he was arrested and placed in jail. He further said that he had only been in the city for three days and had only a small amount of money.

Because it wants to work no hardships on anyone, the court investigated the matter and found that the boy—for he was little more than that—did have a sick wife, and when the policeman sent to verify the statement he found her trying with every means at her command to secure funds to get her husband out of jail.

When Old Dog Tray furnished the apportionment to which a can was affixed he was judged by the best authorities as being only guilty of being in bad company. But there has always been a slight belief that the faithful hound was out having a little fling on his own account.

A slight doubt existed in the minds of the court this morning as to whether the man on trial was having a look at the galloping dominoes on his own account or had just accidentally strayed into bad company. But the latter view had the long end of the argument and he was released.

Two others arrested at the time pleaded guilty and paid fines of \$20.70 each.

Our Threefold Service
Makes Goodyear Tires
Deliver Longest Mileage

Goodyear Truck Tires are known the country over for their long-wearing qualities and the high mileage they consistently deliver. So much for the tires—here is what Our Service means for you:

1. A study of your trucking conditions, enabling us to recommend the particular type and size that will serve you best.
2. Applying these tires promptly and efficiently. We have complete modern equipment and expert workmen.
3. Regular inspections to warn you of causes which, if left unattended, would wear out your tires prematurely.

You want all the mileage you can get from the tires on your truck, of course—better let us start serving you today.

GWYNNE-HALL & COMPANY
837 Blackwell Road

Times Want Ads Bring Results—Try Them

AMERICA NOW HEART OF FINANCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL WORLD

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The United States has been made the heart of the world's business by the westward trend of commercial affairs and has reached the stage in its industrial and commercial development where the maintenance of foreign outlets is necessary to continued domestic prosperity. Director R. S. MacElwee of the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce of the Department of Commerce, announced today in his annual report.

Declaring that the present stagnation

in the business world was only a passing phase insofar as this country was concerned, Director MacElwee urged that the development of foreign markets be taken up with renewed vigor.

"Our foreign trade in the fiscal year of 1920, with a total value of \$13,349,661,401, was larger than in any previous year," he said. "It exceeded by \$3,000,000,000 the former high record in 1919, and was more than three times the value of the combined imports and exports in 1914, the last year before the war."

A minimum wage of \$12 per week for women and minors employed by telephone companies, factories, laundries and mercantile establishments has been made by the Texas Industrial Welfare Commission.

ITALIAN BLOCKADE FORCES FIUME IN DARKNESS

By Associated Press

FIUME, Dec. 23.—Fiume has been compelled to dispense with virtually all lights except those of candles because the Italian blockade has stopped the importation of coal. When the Associated Press correspondent arrived here, he found the city in absolute darkness. Railway employes bearing a few lighted candles met the travelers as they alighted from the train from Trieste and escorted them to a small room where the officer, also by the light of a candle, examined their passports.

Outside the railway station there were neither porters nor cabs nor a light to be seen in the streets anywhere. Weighed down with their baggage, the travelers groped their way to the hotel only to find that also in darkness.

Valliant's Toyland

Santa's North Pole Castle

Toys of Every Description

GILBERT TOYS

Including the new wheel toys, building sets, wireless sets, toy phonographs, circus dolls and doll furniture.

BIG ASSORTMENT OF WHEEL GOODS FROM KIDDIE CARS TO BICYCLES

—We have a fine assortment in our high grade gift department.

OUR STATIONERY IS THE FINEST TO BE HAD—PRICED TO SELL BEFORE XMAS

Valliant's Toyland
In New Hodges & Neal Building
210 Main St.

WEISS BROS.

Fire Sale Is On

—Everybody is talking about it. Everybody is coming down. They know real bargains and they are getting them.

—Only one day is left. Come down early—avoid the tremendous rush.

—Thousands of appropriate gifts to be had—at a small part of their former price.

—It's your last chance before Christmas. Don't Miss it.

Next to Liberty Theatre

WEISS BROS.

EXCLUSIVE OUTFITTERS TO WOMEN AND MEN.

Elm Street at Rusk

Last Minute Suggestions For Late Shoppers

December 23

At the Silk Art Shops

CLOSING OUT SALE!

Although hundreds have crowded our store this last week, taking advantage of our sensational low prices, you will still find many remarkable bargains worth your while to investigate.

GIFT SUGGESTIONS FOR HER

- Suits
- Fur Coats
- Fur Pieces
- Gloves
- Bath Robes
- Negligee
- Kimonas
- Silk Underwear
- Blouses
- Madeira Work
- Handbags
- Hosiery
- Handkerchiefs
- House Slippers

Useful Gifts For Ladies

SILK ART SHOP

Quaranty Bank Building Opposite Temple Theatre

Store Open Until 11 p. m. Tomorrow

In the World of Sport

CARPENTIER TELLS "WHAT I THINK OF JACK DEMPSEY"

Says Champion Is Not Tearing, Annihilating Brute of Ring That He Has Been Pictured: Is Confident of Victory.

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LONDON, Dec. 23.—"And I am glad to know you."

This was how Jack Dempsey greeted me when we met to sign articles for fight for the championship of the world. Which was very different from what I had expected and was led to believe. I had pictured Dempsey as a big, roaring fellow, with little personal charm, intolerant rather, not nice, a stranger, to softness and what passes for common courtesies. I made the pleasant discovery that, outside the ring at least, he is just a human, well-ordered young man, softly spoken, extremely pleasant in a quiet, reserved way, and altogether opposite to what I had prepared myself for. At least on fifty occasions when alone, I had seen him as represented by the film, in his fight with Willard, fierce, vicious, terrible, merciless, punching into helplessness the biggest, heaviest man I have ever seen.

That was the only Dempsey I knew until I met and spoke to him but a few short days ago.

My opponents have been many and of a widely different stamp. Bombadier Wells, almost effeminate; Billy Papke and Frank Klaus, cruel, without imagination, just fighting men; Jeanette, a black man, who in his nature is white; Gunboat Smith, conceited, reckless of speech; Joe Beckett, good, honest, strong; Levinisky, with a jaw of iron and immensely courageous—but never a fighting man like Dempsey. There may be the brute in him; I believe there is, as there surely is in all of us; but he is not the monster he has been represented to be. Rather would I say that he has been misunderstood; for he has a mind, a soul and an intense liking for life that is not of the ring.

When we came to attach our signatures to the contract—the most voluminous that has ever concerned two pugilists (it is made up of eighteen crowded folios which I personally found the utmost difficulty in dissecting and understanding)—Dempsey had no questions to ask. Like myself he had sickened because of the long-drawn-out negotiations, and the match was definitely made in a few minutes. Then it was that he pricked me heartily by the hand and took me on one side to chat about things far removed from the hammering and butchering business this fight is expected to be. We did not talk one word of fight; we were just two ordinary business men with many ideas in common. I do not think, by the way, that we shall meet in the ring before the first week of next July.

Dempsey Looks Boyish.

In appearance Dempsey, who is eighteen months younger than myself, looks like an unusually big and strong lad. I was surprised at his boyishness, and he has the ways of a boy. I should say that he has no liking for fuss and ceremony, and he is not given to boasting and bragging. There is nothing of the swaggering about Dempsey, and I am certain that he has been misrepresented by the exaggeration which all too often creeps into the boxing columns of his country's newspapers. Neither do I think he is a party to the thumping of the big drum which is thought necessary to impress upon the world that he is the greatest pugilist ever reared by his country.

No Self-Advertiser.

This is what I would call my pen picture of him: Complexion, dark; face, strong and rugged, without being brutal; general physical make-up, as nearly perfect as possible. He carries himself easily; there is much spring in his walk. His face, which although not finely chiselled, is not like that of Beckett, as you would perhaps imagine it to be from the published photographs of him. It advertises tenseness and determination, yet when he allows a smile to play about it it is almost a kind, sympathetic face. Certainly it is an arresting and engaging face.

There is much about Dempsey that would cause you to pick him out of a crowd; he is so obviously powerful and serious and fit—he is not of the Broadway. So far, he is unspoiled, a healthy, natural man, who, by ready assimilation of what he has seen and heard and read, has more than average intelligence. He does not talk a great deal; when he does talk he reveals the practical, the common-sense mind. His belief in himself is won in the hardest school a man can pass through justifies that belief. Any man who can win first place in the American school of fighting must be conscious of his greatness, and he must be a believer in himself. But Dempsey is no advertiser of himself, and when I met him he swore that we were pals.

A Young Man in a Hurry.
It would never be dreamed that Dempsey was a tight string, that he had nerves. But of this I am certain, it does not beat himself into rigidity as does Bombadier Wells; neither is he a man who fumbles as does Becket; but he has that restlessness of manner that denotes the highly-strung temperament. He is a young man in a hurry; he must rush and tear; that which he catches upon he must do quickly, and it is this weakness for helter-skelting that has heightened my confidence that when we meet I shall take from him the world's title. I would explain. One of the first things he ventured upon after making the match was a proposition that we should have a game of golf. I pleaded that my game was very poor. He was impatient; he would not listen. I had to play. So we went to the links. If he made an indifferent shot his calmness would leave him; plainly did I see that if he had difficulty in doing any one given thing he would get ruffled and rattled, and as I followed and studied

him closely I threw my mind back to the picture of his fight with Willard, which I had seen so many times.

In that contest he had Willard in extremes almost right away, and when he saw that he had not finished him completely in the first round he was a raging fire; mad because he could not do that which he realized was easy to do—knock out Willard, who had no sort of defense and whose chief virtue was his immense size.

Discovers Dempsey's Weakness.
Dempsey beat me easily at golf. I was nowhere, but although he must have known that he was very much my master, he developed irritability and not a little wildness when he made shots which he considered were not worthy of him. I formed the impression that if things did not go his way his balance was uncertain, and I must confess that the discovery gave me much pleasure.

I know precisely what I shall be up against when I get into the ring with him. We shall still be the pals we were on the links, but with Dempsey, as with myself, it will be a fight to the last gasp. He will come for me with the same aggressiveness as he entered into the game of golf; he will rush and tear; he will feel that he is strong; he will try for victory with a furious haste.

Dempsey, if I understand him rightly, will gamble his all on his splendid power. As for myself—well, I have a feeling that I will triumph, as I did against your English champion Beckett. It is not I who will insist upon strength against strength, for I am free to admit that in a test of sheer brute power, the odds would be on Dempsey. I shall seek to make a happy combination of boxing and fighting, and if I succeed in doing this, I shall bring back to my country the championship of the world, and I shall have realized the greatest ambition of my life.

Explains the Contract.

This in conclusion: The exact amount of the purse is \$500,000; Dempsey is to get three-fifths and myself the remaining two. Mr. Robert Edgren, the well-known American boxing writer, is to nominate the referee and judges. I am not barred from engaging in any contests before I meet Dempsey, but at the moment I do not intend to have anything more serious than a small affair at Monte Carlo some time this winter. I have worked very hard since I returned to civilian life, and here nous I am at present most concerned with what journalists refer to as "an interesting family event."

TEXAS AND A. & M. WILL HOLD ANNUAL WRESTLING MATCHES

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 23.—That a two-year contract for wrestling contests between the University of Texas and Texas A. & M. has been signed was announced by Coach Roy McLean recently. The contract calls for matches in all six classes. The first meet is to be held in Austin, early in February; the exact date having not yet been set.

Faithful Five Still Backing Ban Johnson

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Folks who fondly imagined that Byron Baneoff Johnson had been shorn of all his power and reduced to the stature of a figure-head were a bit premature, it now appears, in counting the old boy out. Whatever his standing in interleague affairs, he is still supreme in his own little league, still in command of the old steam roller. The faithful five are with him still, ready as ever to do his will, as witness the manner in which they "jazzed" his enemies yesterday and jolly well made them like it.

The occasion of this new demonstration of Johnson's amazing intra-league authority was the annual meeting of the major circuit, held at the Hotel Belmont. This was expected to be a cut and dried affair at which the magnates would perfunctorily pass upon a number of routine matters, ratify the pact which makes Commissioner Landis the Overlord of baseball, elect a vice-president and a board of directors—and adjourn.

As a matter of fact, the magnates did ratify the pact, almost without discussion. They were already familiar with its terms and provisions and did not waste time debating them. They also voted to play the customary 154-game schedule next season, opening on April 13; to permit all registered spitballists to continue the use of this delivery, and appropriate funds to be devoted to aiding the state and federal authorities to prosecute a relentless warfare against all crooked players and gamblers who seek to debauch the game.

Then "the Work."

They re-elected Frank Navin of Detroit as vice president of the league and then proceeded, in a perfectly orderly and legal manner, to select a board of directors for the ensuing year. The constitution provides that the directors shall be chosen by ballot and that two western clubs and two eastern clubs shall be represented on the board. The retiring board consisted of Clark Griffith of the Washington Senators and Connie Mack of Philadelphia, Frank Navin of Detroit and Phil Ball of St. Louis, and if the ordinary course of procedure had been followed the incoming board would have consisted of the presidents of the New York, Boston, Chicago and Cleveland clubs.

In all the twenty years of its existence the American league had never before departed from the custom of choosing its directors by regular rotation. Yesterday, however, the majority trumped on custom and cast its ballots for Ball of St. Louis, Dunn of Cleveland Griffith of Washington and Colonel Ruppert of the Yanks. The latter refused to serve unless the Boston and Chicago clubs were given representation on the board, whereupon the majority accepted his resignation and elected Tom Shibe of the Athletics in his stead.

Thus, for the second year in succession, the insurgent three are out in the cold and there is, apparently, no thing they can do about it. They may file a complaint with Commissioner Landis, but we doubt if his jurisdiction, extensive as it may be, can be stretched to cover this point. The election was conducted in strict accordance with the league constitution, the votes were honestly counted and the tally showed a majority of two for the administration slate. The insurgent three may beef and complain, but the indications are that they will have to take the medicine doled out to them.

Dempsey-Brennan Fight Will Boost Carpentier Stock

(Wray in Post-Dispatch.)

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 23.—With Bill Brennan duly tucked away in oblivion, as far as the world's championship is concerned, Jack Dempsey's next hurdle will be the Kansas mammoth, Jess Willard—another opponent to whom he has previously administered the last sad rites of the kayo. This event is scheduled for March 17, 1921 and like the Brennan affair, was designed purely as a pot-boiler by all concerned. No motive for a return match other than a commercial one can be advanced seriously.

Following this bout there looms the world's greatest feature—the fight with Georges Carpentier, to be held goodness knows when, and nobody knows where. Dempsey's second defense of his title surprised a great many followers of the game who had grown to believe that no one was punch-proof against the mighty wallop of the Salt Lake heavyweight. It was the prevailing belief before the bout that Dempsey would finish Bill in short order.

That it required 12 pounds will cause many enthusiastic admirers of Dempsey to meditate and supply supporters of Georges Carpentier new courage to make wagers on the Frenchman at something short of prohibitive odds.

New Interest in Carpentier Go.

There is not the slightest doubt but that the immediate effect of Brennan's durable fight against the title holder, will be to cause doubts about Dempsey to arise in the minds of many, doubts that will add greater interest to the eventual meeting with Carpentier for the middle aged, slow-moving bulk, Willard may be eliminated from the guessing.

To the faint-hearted it may be remarked that there are some features that may account for Dempsey's failure to end it quickly.

1. Brennan was in shape this time; when they met for their first engagement the Chicagoan was flabby.
2. Bill is a tough bird. Although not in fine fettle when he faced Dempsey before, and notwithstanding he wrenched an ankle during the fight, he lasted six rounds and was not out when the bout was stopped.
3. No fighter can guarantee hitting an opponent in the right spot whenever he wants to.
4. Brennan had never been knocked out in his life prior to his Dempsey fight, although some noted punchers landed on him. He's an exceptionally tough bird.
5. Dempsey's friends had weakened his morale by insisting that he could stop Brennan quickly; when Brennan did not drop, it may have surprised and discomfited the champion.
6. The motion picture machines were on the job; and also it was Dempsey's first New York appearance—factors which may or may not have had their influence.

Willard Says He Was Not Himself at Toledo Arena

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 23.—ess Willard, former heavyweight champion, expects to train intensively three months in preparation for his bout to regain the title from Jack Dempsey in New York, March 17, according to a statement made here by Ray Archer, his manager. Archer came to Kansas City from Lawrence, Kan., the home of the former champion, to confer with Hugh Walker,

a heavyweight, concerning the employment of Walker as one of Willard's sparring partners. Walker will meet Capt. Bob Koper, heavyweight of the American Expeditionary Forces, in a bout here Dec. 30. According to Archer, Willard already has begun to train, although his work is somewhat handicapped because his home is quarantined on account of illness in his family. Archer said Willard expected to have several sparring partners and that he would make every effort to obtain well known fighters.

Discussing the coming bout with Dempsey, Archer said: "Willard isn't thinking about money. He wants to prove to the public that he was not himself at Toledo."

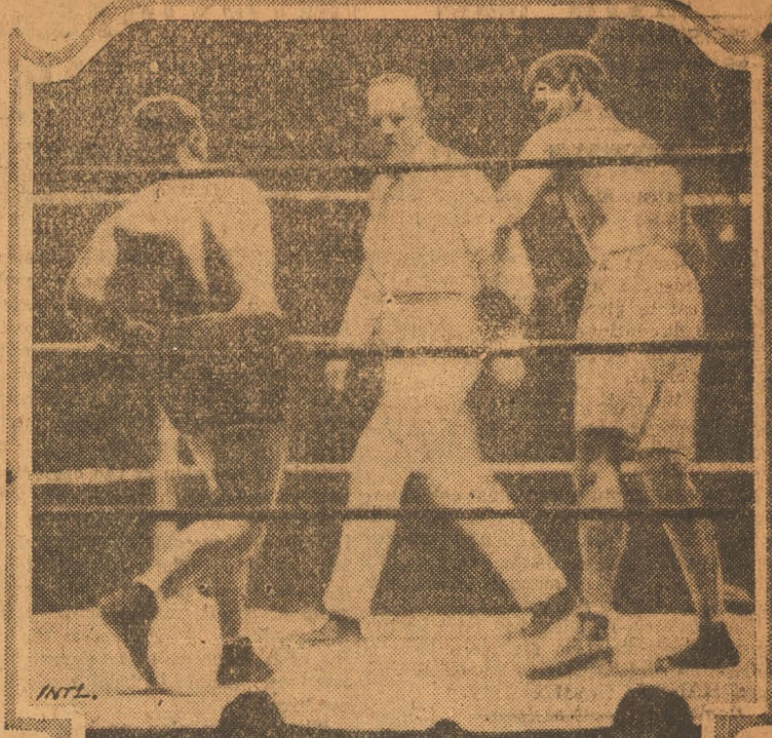
FRENCHMEN RUSH FIELD TO KISS GIRL FOOTBALL PLAYERS

PARIS, Dec. 23.—That football for women will only be possible in France if men are excluded from the stands is the belief of members of the French and English girls' teams which contested an international championship match at Pershing stadium.

According to the footballettes there were some tough scrimmages during the game, but these were nothing to compare with the scrimmage immediately after the final referee's whistle had blown.

Ten thousand enthusiastic male fans invaded the field and insisted on kissing the members of the teams. Six thousand kisses in ten minutes was claimed as a record by the prettiest English player.

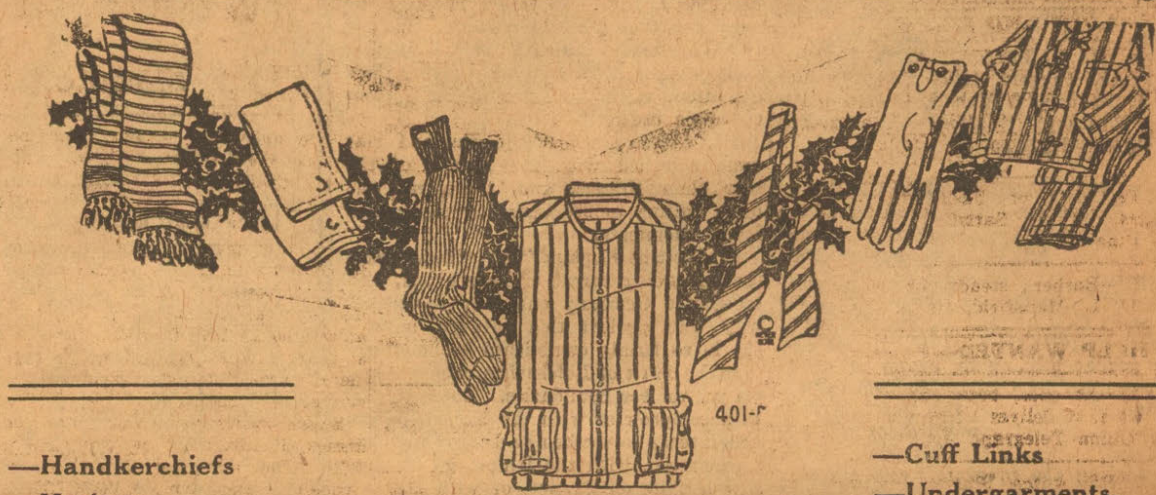
THE BEGINNING OF THE END.



Dempsey has just connected with a heavy left swing, almost turning his opponent completely around. This picture was snapped in the tenth round of the championship bout at Madison Square Garden. After this punch Brennan slowly succumbed to the heavy punches of the champion and in the twelfth round the challenger was counted out. The photo shows Dempsey on the right.

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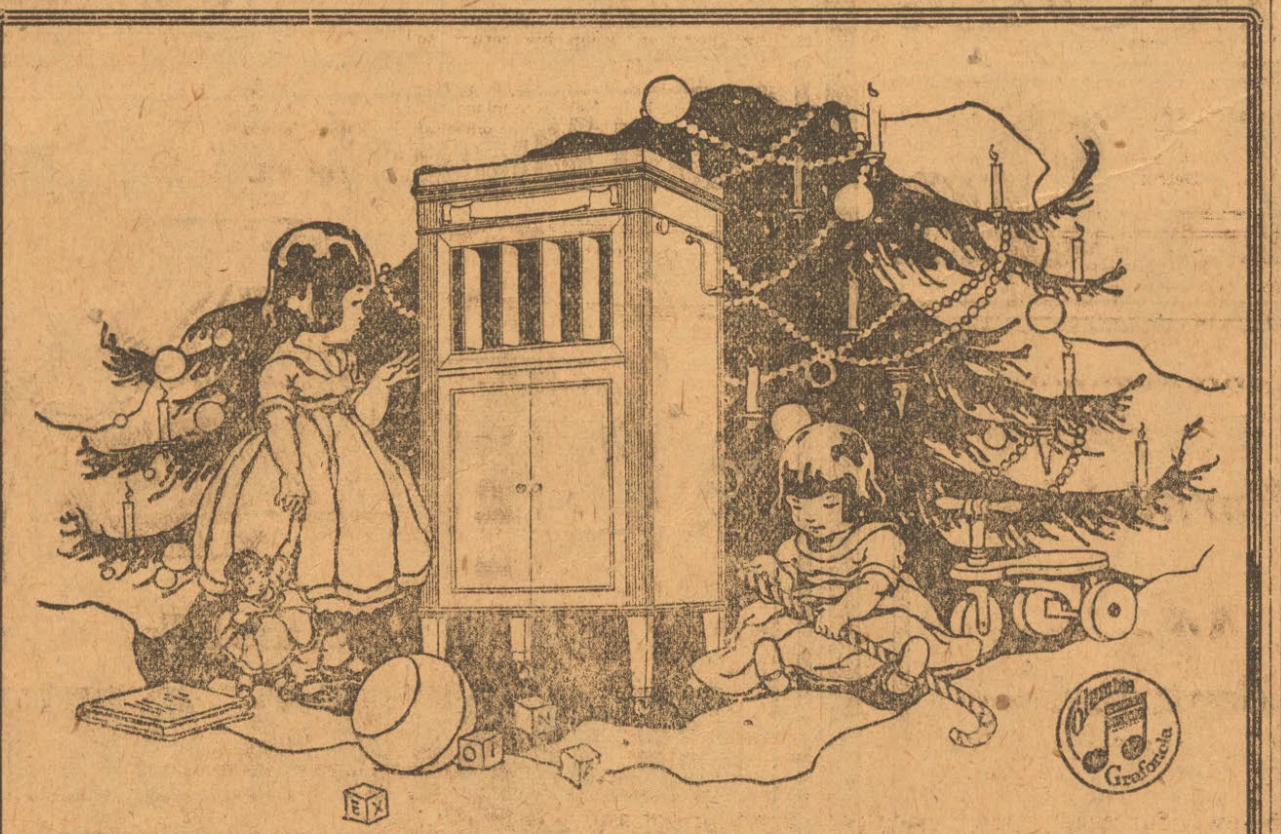


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MARINES, GUAM MAIDS, SEA ELOPEMENT, WEDDING ARREST, PUZZLE OFFICIALS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Two South seas, and the little motor craft, with its sea maids, singing the siren song of their love cargo, tossed menacingly. The gas-tropic home, have just led a pair of American marines into an adventure that included a perilous sea voyage, marriage, then arrest for desertion.

Naval authorities here are considering the romantic case of Corporal Wilbur V. Dawson, 22, and Sergeant Everett E. Clifton, 22, stationed in the marine corps on the island of Guam.

Official records of the case, which came to light here today, showed that life in sleepy Guam had begun to pall on Dawson and Clifton. And then they met the two native girls—chamorros they are called—with the luring complexion of cafe au lait and wearing grassy gowns that sway in the breeze.

A motorboat was commandeered, stocked with provisions and all was set for the elopement. Off sailed the four, but over the South Seas are sometimes rest-

Present Wool Crop Shortest in Many Years

By Associated Press

SAN ANGELO, Texas, Dec. 23.—The six months' fall crop of wool in Texas is the shortest in many seasons, dealers say. They attribute the shortage this year to the slack market and the financial stringency prevailing throughout the wool producing territory.

Fall wool concentrated in San Angelo will not exceed a quarter of a million pounds, in the opinion of J. Niles O'Daniel, secretary of the Wool Growers' Central Storage company, perhaps the largest wool concentration firm in the southwest. Last fall the company stored 700,000 and 800,000 pounds of short wool, and up to this time in 1919 had received over 300,000 pounds. Virtually all of the 1920 short clip is now in and the firm has only about 200,000 pounds on hand, Mr. O'Daniel said.

The fleece, although light in quantity, is high in quality, which wool men say is due to the excellent range conditions that have prevailed almost continuously since the three years' drought was shattered in October, 1918. There is little dirt and needle grass in the wool, which in normal times would command top prices, dealers say. Until the middle of May, long or 12 months' wool was bringing 75 cents a pound. Today it is quoted at 25 cents, and the sheep raisers can't get that price, they say.

The fact that perhaps not more than 10 per cent of the wool growers in this section are shearing this fall means that the 1921 spring production will be heavy, while the short eighteen months' clip at that time will be light. In the border country, where the weather is mild, sheep and goats are sheared twice a year. The flocks and herds in this territory, however, can carry their heavy coats for twelve months without loss of flesh.

Mexican shearers a year ago were receiving as high as 15 cents for clipping each animal. This fall, from eight to ten cents has been the scale. This is several cents above the normal wage of five cents a head. With little shearing to do, the Mexicans have gone into the cotton fields.

FORMER CONDUCTOR ON CHICAGO HORSE CAR WHO WON NOBEL PRIZE



Kant Hamsun, winner of the Nobel literature prize for 1920, once was a conductor in a Chicago horse car line and was fired from that job because he could not remember the names of streets. That was forty years ago. Today, after winning the \$50,000 Nobel prize, he is a Norwegian, 60 years old, and is now living on his estate in Norway.

BLACKSMITH WANTS WIFE PERFECT OTHER THAN THIRTY-SIX

International News Service.

BATTLE CREEK, Mich., Dec. 23.—There's a premium in Battle Creek on cards distributed at a recent church service by A. J. Dolly, blacksmith, who, according to the pasteboards, is seeking a "perfect other-than-thirty-six." Only 500 cards were printed and the holders conceived by popular opinion to prize them highly.

Dolly prefaces his unique "advertisement" for a new model, 1920 wife, with the scriptural quotation, "It is not good for man to live alone. I will make him a helpmeet."

The remainder of the card space gives the following requirements for any applicant for the sharing of Dolly's life: "A good Christian woman about thirty-five years of age; five feet, four inches; who is interested in missions, moral reform, jail visiting and physical culture. "No high heels, transparent clothes or medicine chest wanted. Good proof of character required."

Dolly completes his appeal with a description of his own virtues. He acknowledges a divorced wife and several children.

Although femininity here is agog over Dolly's venture, she replies the blacksmith Lochinvar has had to date he attributes to "kiddies."

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EASTERN RAILWAYS RETURN TO PRE-WAR PASSENGER SERVICE

By Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—Railroads in this territory are returning to pre-war service so far as the comfort of passengers is concerned. The Pennsylvania has issued careful instructions for the heating of cars. Coaches in through service, says an order, must be heated to a temperature between 65 and 70 degrees in suburban service, 60 to 65. Sleeping cars between 10 p. m. and 6 a. m. must have temperature of about 60; in the daytime the temperature in sleeping and parlor cars should range between 65 and 70.

Among the other orders issued to trainmen are the following:

Principal stations at which trains will stop must be announced in all coaches and diners before they leave terminals.

Approaching stations, the name of the station must be announced at least twice.

No baggage will be allowed in the aisles.

Conductors must make frequent trips through sleeping cars at night to see that a Pullman employee is on guard in each car in service.

Selling alms, distributing hotel cards, advertising matter or literature not directly connected with the business of the company, must be prohibited.



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 - Lounge Robes
 - Hosiery
 - House Slippers
 - Belts
 - Traveling Bags
 - Trunks
 - Shaving Sets
 - Gloves
 - Jewelry
- For 'Her'**
- Furs
 - Coats
 - Suits
 - Dresses
 - Negligee
 - Kimonas
 - Silk Underwear
 - Blouses
 - Ivory Sets
 - Madeira Work
 - Silverware
 - Table Linens
 - Silk Comforts



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 - Boys' Caps
 - Bath Robes
 - Hosiery
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 - Girls' Hats
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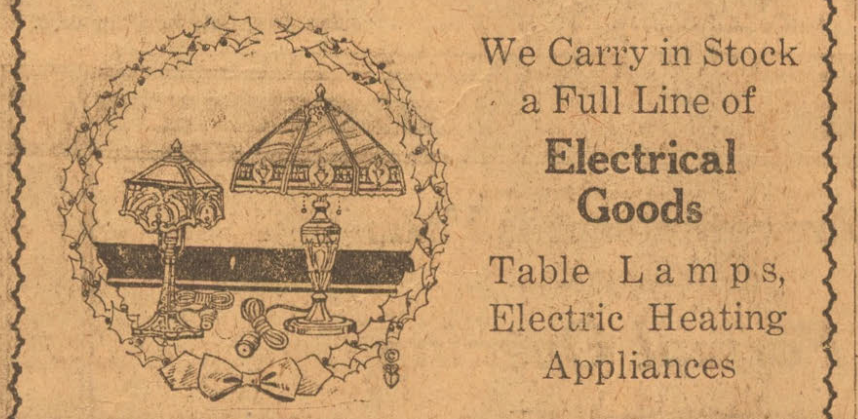
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ITALIANS SHOW COURAGE IN WAR REHABILITATION

Devastated Isonzo Region in
Better Shape Than Old
French Front.

By Associated Press
ROME, Dec. 23.—The American ambassador, Robert Underwood Johnson, who has returned from a visit to the Piave, Isonzo and Asiago sectors of the Italian war front, including much of the devastated region, declares that the Italians are progressing well in their efforts to make these war areas again fit for habitation.

"I doubt whether any other region of the war would make a better showing of recuperation," said Mr. Johnson to the Associated Press correspondent.

"In April I saw the devastated regions of France from Chateau Thierry to Rheims, an awful sight which may be commended to those who are willing to take the risk of another great war, save for a few barracks and isolated pieces of repair little had been done to rebuild."

Hard at Work.
"Today in the midst of equal devastation, there is hardly a town in Italy in which 20 per cent of the houses have not been renewed or repaired for occupancy, and the proportion is usually from 50 to 65 per cent. The refugees, most of them still living in the government barracks, are hard at work. New houses of handsome Italian models are going up every week. The second story may have been destroyed, but if the first has walls it is roofed and made habitable for the time."

"The courage and resourcefulness of war time was not greater than is that of peace, and both call for the admiration of the world. This needs to be accentuated because Italy has had so much to contend with, first in the failure of this year's crops of wheat and corn; next, from the cloudbursts and floods; and third, from the disturbing industrial conditions. Fortunately, the season has been good for building and every man in Friuli seems to have become a carpenter or mason. Still, this region, with all the aid to reconstruction that the government can give, faces a winter of hardship and severe cold."

Gentle and Courteous.
"The people of Trieste are not only brave and industrious, but gentle and courteous, and like most Italians, they respond to treatment. We saw no evidence of current violence, which indeed is not directed against travelers, but is either industrial or political, and is local. The machinery for silk and cotton manufacture was all carried off by the Austrians."
"Most of the inhabitants have had to begin at the bottom, but they are used to the conflict of nature, and with fairly normal conditions, and good harvest or two, the region will be well restored."
Ambassador Johnson compared the

Italian battlefield on the Carso with the fields of famous battles of the American Civil war, and declared that nothing at Bloody Gettysburg or Bloody Angle was more difficult than the assault by which the Italians won Podgora, the precipice 700 feet high which commanded Gorizia, and with it that important town. "The Devil's Den on the Union left at Gettysburg is not to be mentioned with these 'Red Lands' that form so strong a defense of Trieste," he added.

"Let it not be forgotten that the Italians held a front of 420 miles, that they lost half a million killed and a million and a half wounded and that they held a million and a half of Austrians from reinforcing the western line."

GIGANTIC GOLDFISH CAUGHT IN CARLOADS BY OHIO FISHERMEN

PORT CLINTON, Ohio, Dec. 22.—Many tons of gold fish have been caught in the fishing grounds of the Portage river here by local fishermen, during the past few weeks. Where these fish come from is a mystery, although they have never been seen in this section before, but never in such large quantities. According to some of the fishermen the scattering of the fish was found in 1913 after the big floods of Ohio and the lake regions, and it was thought at that time that the fish may have been liberated from some of the park and resort aquariums, by the overflowing of the flooded artificial ponds.

The fish are not of the glass bowl variety, but seem to be more of a carp species, and will measure several inches and weigh as much as a half pound each. They are placed in live cars and brought here to be loaded into express cars and shipped in tanks, alive, to the New York markets where they are sold to the retail and wholesale trade. Up to this time the local trade has not indulged in the gold fish for a food product, although it is said that the fish are of a very good quality, but have very fine bones.

Mlle. Lenglen, the young French girl who has won the British tennis championship, keeps fit, she says, by going to bed early, being careful of what she eats and doing Swedish exercises for fifteen minutes, night and morning.

ARCH-ANARCHIST AND DIRECTOR OF BOLSHEVIK PROPAGANDA HAS CANARY BIRDS AS HIS HOBBY

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Enrico Malatesta, arch-anarchist, know where the word anarchy is understood, and now in the line of the alleged instigator of the recent bomb outrages in Milan, has a peculiar form of diversion. In his hours of relaxation from the strenuous business of bomb-throwing and arson he breeds canaries.

Malatesta is said to look just like the popular conception of the typical anarchist—black hair, pointed beard, piercing black eyes, heavy eyebrows, and aquiline features, and most of the time it seems that his acts and speech are quite in harmony with his sinister appearance and evil-sounding name. But there are times when he throws off his fierceness, and then no one is so gentle as he. The scion of a celebrated family, inheriting the title of count, this anarchist leader might have risen to a post of honor in Italy.

Devotes Life to Revolts.
Instead he chose, when a student in the University of Naples, to dedicate his life to stirring up revolt against the organized forms of government and he has been at it ever since. He is now 65 and is said to be under sentence of death in several countries, including Argentina, an indication that he has been active in the new world as well as the old. He has borne a charmed life, having always been able to escape all punishment so far, save the lightest. Malatesta's present situation, it is said, offers more elements of danger than any of the preceding dramatic episodes in his life.

His connection with the bombing of the Hotel Cavour in Milan, is evidenced by a bundle of letters seized in a police raid on an anarchistic paper of which he is the chief director. His long experience in escaping from the toils of the law, however, will probably help him to slip from under even in this instance, it is thought. Certainly the story of his life, replete as it is with accounts of his multitudinous escapades with the law, would seem to strengthen the presumption.

Career of Adventure.
An idea of the adventurous career of this perpetual malecontent may be gained

from the following brief sketch in the New York Herald:

Enrico Malatesta was born in Santa Maria Capua Vetere, near Naples. Soon after receiving a degree as doctor of medicine he became a convert to anarchism and organized the first international section in Italy.

In 1878 he issued a call to general insurrection all over Italy and collected a large following. He was arrested by government troops at Benevento, and after being tried at Naples, was sentenced to a long term of imprisonment. Following the death of King Victor Emmanuel II, two years later, he was pardoned.

The arch-anarchist crossed to Spain, where he had scarcely landed when a serious insurrection broke out near Xeres and the Spanish government issued a warrant of death-in-sight for Malatesta. They arrested a man they thought was the anarchist leader and only discovered their mistake when they came to hang him.

Was Safe in France.
Meanwhile Malatesta was safe across

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the border in France. He appeared in Paris, where with French and other Italian anarchists he worked for the creation of an Italian revolutionary party. There he published La Revolte, an organ which soon secured his expulsion from France. The same treatment met him in Switzerland and Belgium.

Returning to Florence in disguise he continued his propaganda, published several works and established a journal called The Social Question. It was from the United States as a dangerous seized by the authorities and Malatesta alien.

and his associates were taken to Rome to be tried on a charge of sedition. He was convicted but escaped and fled to England.

Long Looked to America.

Malatesta had long turned his eyes on America and he chose it as his next residence in a world so rapidly shrinking in hospitality to his propaganda. He was in Paterson, N. J., when King Humbert was assassinated and was reported from the United States as a dangerous seized by the authorities and Malatesta alien.

CHURCHES RAISING MONEY FOR EUROPEAN CHILDREN
HOUSTON, Dec. 23.—Starving children of Europe have been remembered by church folk of two Texas towns according to E. A. Peden, state chairman of the European Relief council. The Baptist and Methodist churches of Jasper, Texas, sent in a donation of \$71.00, while the Christian church of Kingsville subscribed \$150. These are the first contributions to be received for general European relief, according to Chairman Peden.

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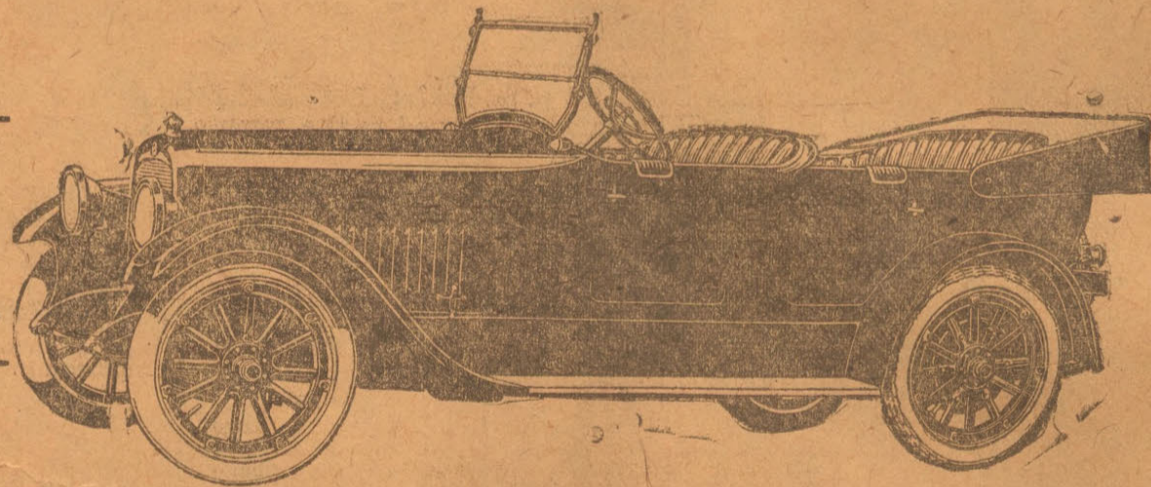
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LEARNED BUG HUNTER DOES 17-DAY MARATHON WITH HUNGRY CANNIBALS HARD ON HIS HEELS

Professor Cuts a Wide Swath Through Amazon Brambles as Blood-Curdling Yells Lead Speed to His Transit.

By Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—Despite the terrors through which he passed while journeying through the wilds of South America, Dr. Alexander Hamilton Rice, explorer, plans soon to leave for Egypt in an endeavor to locate a certain species of goat which is invaluable in medical research work.

He expressed this intention in an address on South America before the Geographical Society here. Dr. Rice said his trip through South America took him up the Rio Negro, the largest tributary of the Amazon, through a natural canal more than 200 miles long connecting it with the Orinoco, into hitherto unexplored portions of Brazil. It was here that he came in actual contact with Guaharibos, a virtually unknown tribe of cannibal Indians, who for seventeen days pursued his party in an effort to cut off their return.

The attack occurred in a wild spot along the banks of the Orinoco, where Dr. Rice had made camp the night before. Two of his Indian guides had gone up the river in a canoe to test the depth of the water, when they saw something moving along the banks. Looking closer, they perceived the forms of Indians closing in on the camp, and hastily turning about, hurried back to warn the remainder of the party.

"A few moments after the guides' return," Dr. Rice said, "the entire bank was literally lined with wildly shrieking and gesticulating figures who brandished bows about seven feet high, with arrows six feet long. Just opposite me I saw one huge creature, evidently the chief or leader, who was shouting and foaming at the mouth and making motions that apparently meant to express anticipation of a hearty meal that night. He was neither negro nor Indian, and he had black hairs on his upper lip—a thing I have never seen on an Indian. "We tried talking to them in every language and dialect at our command. We laid hatchet, knives and fishes on the rocks in an attempt to pacify them but they apparently had no idea what they were for, and there was no doubt of the fact they intended to fight. "Finally when one of their arrows landed just at my feet, I decided it was time to do something, and we fired the Winchester rifle and Parker shotgun.

our only weapons, over their heads. That frightened them for the moment, and gave us time to get our things packed together and a start down the river. Shortly afterward, darkness descended, and all night long we could hear their blood-curdling screams as they kept at our heels.

BERLIN HOTELS CLOSE TO PROTEST FOOD RATIONING

BERLIN, Dec. 23.—There was a run on sandwiches, thermos bottles and delicatessen places when hundreds of hotels and restaurants in Berlin closed their dining rooms as a protest against alleged prosecutions by the Socialist Prussian government under the food laws, which hotel proprietors declare have developed into persecutions for political purposes.

All the larger hotels and restaurants closed with the exception of the Adlon which was swamped by hungry guests from other hotels.

The association comprising the closed hotels has now declared war on the Adlon and will attempt to force it to join the movement.

Deputies in the Reichstag, whose restaurant was also closed, came to the session today with sandwiches and hot coffee. Some committee rooms looked like picnic places.

All hotels will serve black coffee and dry bread mornings, but nothing else. Guests may bring their own food, but even knives and forks may not be furnished them.

HOUSTON CHURCH INSTALLS MOTION PICTURE SHOW

HOUSTON, Dec. 23.—Competing with downtown pictures, the Houston Heights Christian church has installed moving pictures as an added attraction to Sunday church goes. Songs of the choir will also be illustrated by pictures, according to plans of the pastor, Rev. T. F. Weaver.

"The Call of Samuel," a biblical play, was the first Sunday motion picture to be shown at the church.

Fatal Shooting of Physician by Girl Termed Accident

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 23.—A coroner's inquest will be conducted at Belleville, Ill., into the death of Dr. Louis Tague, who died from a wound from a pistol in the hands of Miss Frances Shetter.

Statements of all witnesses to the Belleville police agree that the weapon was accidentally discharged while Miss Shetter was showing the gun to Dr. Tague, who contemplated purchasing it.

The shooting occurred in the home of Tony Wolff, where Dr. Tague had been summoned to attend Mr. Wolff's mother, who is seriously ill.

The pistol, an automatic of large caliber, was the property of Mr. Wolff. Dr. Tague, it is said, had on several previous occasions expressed a desire to purchase the gun.

The subject was revived during the visit last night and Miss Shetter, a maid in the Wolff home, was sent to get the gun so that Dr. Tague might inspect it. She told Dr. Tague, it is said, that the clip containing all the cartridges had been removed.

When Dr. Tague handed the gun back

to Miss Shetter, handle first, in grasping the revolver she pressed the trigger and a cartridge which had remained in the chamber of the gun exploded.

Dr. Tague was taken to St. Vincent's hospital, where it was found that he had suffered a mortal wound in the abdomen. He died two hours after the wound was inflicted, at 5 p. m. Miss Shetter is being held for the coroner's jury.

Dr. Tague was known in all parts of St. Clair county, having practiced in Belleville for many years. He is survived by his wife, two sons and several grandchildren. He formerly resided in St. Clair county.

HIS CHANCE.

LAPORTE, Ind., Dec. 23.—James Walker, head nurse at the Michigan City prison, serving a life sentence there for having killed two police officers at Alexandria, 10 years ago, has petitioned for a parole in order to be able to complete his medical education, in the hope that he may be able to return to the prison as its physician.

Walker acquired most of his education in the years he passed in prison. It is declared he saved many lives in his nursing work, risking his own life many times.

His crime is blamed upon environment. Alexandria then being "wide open," though nominally dry. The jurors who convicted him have joined in the petition for a parole.

SCUTTLE OF 'DAGO RED' WITH MEALS CAUSE OF STAMPEDE ON CAFE

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 23.—The spaghetti parlors have been doing a big business lately," said Police Captain Barry of the North Denver substation Saturday, as he took the stand in police court to testify against Vitariano Saracino and Pete Cincirello, who had been arrested on bootlegging charges. "I investigated Friday and ascertained that these fellows who were running this spaghetti bazaar were giving away free of charge a scuttle of 'Dago red' wine with every meal, and they had sure

worked up a patronage that would make a Sixteenth street bargain rush look like a kindergarten flag drill. The spaghetti fiends were falling all over themselves to get into the place and the cash register was playing a continuous tune."

Cincirello said he did not know that it was against the law to give a free drink with the meals he served, and was fined \$10 and costs. The other defendant was discharged.

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Extra Fancy Black Wine... 4.35	Raisins	Dittman Prime Currant... 85
Extra Fancy Arkansas... 4.25	Sunmaid Clusters, large fruit... 75	Cheese
Black... 4.25	Sunmaid Package, "Seed-less"... 35	Home-made Pimento... 75
By the dozen from 40 to 90c.	Sunmaid Display Cartons... 50	Cheese... 75
Oranges.	Candied Fruits	American Loaf Swiss... 85
Washington Navels, very choice... \$5.00	Fancy Boxes Assorted Fruits, per lb... \$1.25	American Loaf Cream... 75
By the dozen from 40 to 40c.	Crystallized Lemon Peel, per lb... 75	Imported "Swiss" carton 1.00
Nuts.	Crystallized Orange Peel, per lb... 75	Imported Rogufort... 1.50
Kentucky Black Walnuts \$1.00	Crystallized Citron... 1.25	Imported Sap Sago grated... 50
Brazil Nuts, large... 45	Crystallized Pineapple... 1.25	We handle Scarisup Oysters. Don't experiment with your company, give them a cup of Chase & Sanborn Coffee, 65c lb.
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Pecans, last year crop, excellent quality... 35	Heinz Sweet Midget Pickles... 55	Everyone knows the quality of our meats and we have found our refrigerator with the choicest beef, pork, mutton and meat specialties on the market. Buy your meat from a meat cutter, who knows how to please you. No Pallfarrias butter promised or reserved after Friday noon, better buy it today.
Mixed Nuts... 40	Heinz Mince Meat, 2 lb... 95	We have Brown and Powdered sugar.
Cocoanuts, each... 20 and 25c	Welch Grape Juice, one-half gallon... 1.30	Christmas Trees at reasonable prices.
Shelled Walnuts, per lb... \$1.50	Welch Grape Juice, qt... 75	We Wish You a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.
Shelled Pecans, per lb... 1.50	No. 2 Red Pitted Cherries... 55	Our store will be closed all day Saturday, Dec. 25th.
Shelled Pecans, salted, per lb... 1.75	15-oz. Marischino Cherries... 75	
Shelled Almonds, per lb... 1.50	15-oz. Del Monte Jelly, assorted... 45	
Candy	No. 1 Tobasco Fig Jam... 25	
High Grade Chocolates per lb... \$.85	Crosse & Blackwell Chow Chow, regular size... 1.10	
Chocolates in Fancy Xmas Boxes... 95 to \$1.75	No. A. I. Sauce... 45	
Rock Candy... 75	No. 2 1/2 Del Monte Shred Peaches... 40	
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BOOZE SLIPS OUT OF BONDAGE AT RATE OF ONE QUART FOR EACH AMERICAN INHABITANT

Congressman Suggests Doling Out Pro Rata as Christmas Present and Be Rid of the Troublesome Stuff.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Almost three times as much liquor was withdrawn from government bonded warehouses during the present year as could be used for legitimate purposes under the Volstead law, according to figures given to the house ways and means committee by Prohibition Commissioner John F. Kramer, Friday.

The withdrawals totaled the remarkable figure of 29,200,000 gallons or more than a quart for every man, woman and child in the United States. At present only about 40,000,000 gallons remain in storage, Mr. Kramer said.

Forged permits, the commissioner testified, have proved the most effective illegitimate means of obtaining liquor from bonded warehouses.

At this rate of withdrawals, suggested Representative Bacharach, Republican, of New Jersey, the remaining amount is sufficient to last for only two years.

"Yes, that is true," said Mr. Kramer, "but if it is used legitimately the present supply should last five or six years."

The above revelations came while Mr. Kramer was testifying in support of a bill by Representative Green, Republican, of Iowa, providing for concentration of the liquor in a few warehouses instead of leaving it scattered all over the country.

"Don't you think the cheapest way for the taxpayers would be to open the warehouses, sell this whiskey, let the toppers have one grand drunk and get rid of it all?" asked Chairman Fordney.

Applause and laughter greeted this suggestion, but Wayne B. Wheeler, counsel for the Anti-Saloon league could not see it that way. He sat through the outburst with dignified calm.

"That already has been suggested," replied Mr. Kramer, "and with Christmas and the New Year coming on, considerable pressure has been brought to bear in favor of it, but we haven't been able to see our way clear to agree to it," replied Mr. Kramer.

Representative Garner, Democrat, of Texas recommended that the government buy the liquor and permit its withdrawal only for medicinal and other legitimate purposes.

NEW MACHINE GUN, INVENTION OF ARMY MAN, FIRES 25 SHOTS A SECOND



The submachine gun, a remarkable rifle invented by Brigadier-General John T. Thompson, U. S. A., retired, was successfully demonstrated at Deal, N. J., recently. The wonderful new weapon fired fifty shots in less than two seconds, the greatest rapidity of fire ever attained by any gun in the world. General Thompson, inventor of the gun, was director of arsenals in charge of the production of small arms for the U. S. army during the war. The rifle, which fires a .45 caliber bullet, has been adopted for riot duty by police and constabulary forces throughout the country. The illustration shows the new gun and its inventor, Brigadier-General John T. Thompson.

Girl Wife Tells Secrets of Kansas Robber Gangs

WINFIELD, Kan., Dec. 23.—A girl, who, two years ago, became the wife of a notorious Kansas bank robber, has related to federal authorities one of the most amazing stories of bank looting in the history of the United States secret service. Her husband was one of the leaders of the major gang.

The girl, only 15 when she was married two years ago, for months lived in fear of death. She knew "too much," her husband told her. She solved the mystery of the \$500 liberty bonds which were found tacked on the back of a dresser drawer after they were stolen from the bank at Benton, Kan. What the secret service operatives didn't know about the gang she told them.

The misdeeds of the gang rival those of the James boys, for they robbed more than 20 Kansas banks a year. The girl's story is expected to result in the recovery of a quarter of a million dollars' worth of stolen liberty bonds now hidden.

The machinery of the law—like the mills of the gods—sometimes grinds slowly, but it grinds exceedingly fine.

Lately the law, conspiring with fate, one of the aforementioned gods, has gathered the material for the final connecting links and forged them into a complete chain of fact and circumstance which apparently will result in the recovery of \$200,000 worth of bonds stolen from Kansas and Oklahoma in the four years previous to September 1919, and the breaking up of one of the most notorious bands of bank robbers ever known in the Southwest—the Major gang.

The dissolution of the robber band began with the conviction of three of its members for the robbery of the Benton State bank at Benton, Kan.

Maj. Poffenberger and his brother, Minor, and George Brown are now serving sentences in the state penitentiary at Lansing for the crime. The Queens, "Doc" and his son, Emerson, were named in connection with the Major gang, but no formal charge ever was placed against them.

Soon after the Poffenbergers were sent up came the conviction at Kansas City, Mo., of Ray Major, leader of the gang, his brother, Walter, and Eddie Adams for the murder of a gambling house keeper. The murder was committed only a few hours after the robbery of a bank at Kansas City, Kan., where the gang obtained \$50,000 in liberty bonds.

During the visit of President-elect Harding to the Panama Canal Zone, Mrs. Harding surprised the party by taking a fifteen-minute flight over Limon Bay in a seaplane.

Bandits, Varied in Hue, Mean and Affable, Rob Many

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'WHAT'S BECOME OF THE MANIACS?' ASKS NUT SPECIALIST

By Associated Press
SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 23.—There are no more "Maniacs" in Illinois while the violent insane wards of the state have almost disappeared, according to A. L. Bowen, state superintendent of charities. He announces that in one state hospital of 3,300 patients the "maniac" class has been reduced from 500 to one and that even that one is no maniac.

"Where are the maniacs?" queried Mr. Bowen. "That is the question asked today in every state hospital for nervous and mental diseases in Illinois. Among the 20,000 patients in the state's ten institutions, the old type known as the maniac, is seldom found today."

"We have men and women who are disturbed and agitated. Some do impulsive things that have serious consequences. They require special attention and care, but this care is that of trained nurse or attendant and not the repression and restraint of cells, straps, strong suits and leather collars."

"Not many years ago it was very different. Our state hospitals were full of maniacs—men and women looked upon as dangerous. They were locked in screen rooms and padded cells to prevent them from injuring themselves and others. Many of them wore no clothing and slept upon the floors."

"These were the patients who gave to all the mentally sick the dreaded name of maniac. Every patient was regarded as dangerous and violent. Hundreds of visitors came to see this class and it alone."

"Today in one hospital of 3,300 we have just one who may be feared, where not long ago there were 500 of that type. I can go over this institution in my mind's eye and pick out scores of men

COTTON FACTOR SAYS EMPLOYER AND WORKER MUST AVERT DISASTER

By Associated Press
LONDON, Dec. 23.—Sir Charles Macara, former president of the International Cotton Federation and of the English Federation of Master Cotton Spinners' associations, is of the opinion that the world is "faced with disaster unless means be devised throughout the world to bring about more whole-hearted cooperation between employers and workers, with a view to reducing governmental and national extravagance and bringing down the cost of production by united effort."

At present, Sir Charles sees no prospect of a real reduction in the cost of living and he thinks that the United Kingdom is today in as critical a position as at the outbreak of the war, largely due, he says, to the curtailment of credit by banks, at the bidding of the government.

"People are encouraged to believe that a slump in prices is due immediately,"

said Sir Charles to the correspondent, "but an artificially-created slump would be nothing less than a disaster. Low prices are an illusion so long as the world lacks goods and the cost of production remains on the present scale."

ANTI-TRUST ACTION AGAINST RAILROADS POSTPONED AGAIN
WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The senate this afternoon passed a resolution suspending until Jan. 1, 1922, that section of the Clinton anti-trust law which requires railroads to direct themselves of financial interest in all railway supply houses and requires them to buy supplies on a competitive market or bid system, buying from the lowest bidder. The matter has already been suspended twice before.

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THINKS SMALL STILL LIVES.
MONTREAL, Dec. 23.—Ambrose Small, the Toronto millionaire who disappeared on Dec. 2 of last year, may

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	Fancy Small French Peas, 25c size now..... 15c	
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	Fancy Wapco Pumpkin, 30c size now..... 20c	
	Fancy Stringless Beans, 25c size now..... 15c	
	Fancy Cut Beets, 30c size now..... 20c	
	Fancy Whole Tomatoes, 25c size now..... 15c	
	Fancy Red Alaska Salmon, 45c size now..... 30c	
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Americans Will Join in Tribute Paid Napoleon

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—American participation in the celebration by France of the 100th anniversary of the death of Napoleon on May 5 next was invited here today by Professor Mulligan Sloane of Princeton, N. J., speaking for the French committee headed by Marshal Foch. A feature of the affair whose objects, it is stated, are "to bind up the wounds of France," will be a great exhibition of Napoleonic relics at Malmison, France, to which collections will be loaned from all parts of the world.

Professor Sloane, who for 42 years held the chair of history at Princeton and lately at Columbia university, said that French statesmen, soldiers and men of law and letters as well as other professions compose the committee which is arranging the centennial.

"Making all allowance for every severe criticism of Napoleon's career," he continued, "it is still true that his work unified France, saved it from partition among its foes and, in civil life, prepared alike the foundation and structure of the society which in the World War saved France and helped to save all western civilization. It was by his impulse and guidance that the financial credit of France was restored, that the magistracy and administration took definite shape, that the civil code was promulgated, the Bank of France created, the University of France modeled on that of the State of New York and the council of state organized.

"He made private property safe, opened public charges, great and small, to all classes, founded schools, colleges and secondary schools, built magnificent highways, dug an elaborate system of internal waterways, improved transportation of every sort and, above all, reorganized in his institutions the commanding position of belles lettres, the fine arts and natural science. The superb inheritance of order, progress and prosperity which he bequeathed made the France of 1914.

"The French committee especially desires American participation by contributions, by the loan of Napoleonic from American collections and, above all, the moral support of intelligent interest on this side of the Atlantic."

AUSTIN, Dec. 23.—Fifteen of the finest town five miles west of here, has a woman chief of police. She is Mrs. Lydia Overturn, and her motto is "Enforce the law to the letter." She recently was appointed by Mayor John Mallory and her salary is \$110 a month. One of her first official acts was to arrest a man on a charge of intoxication.

NORTHWESTERN CO-EDS FIND FLANNEL ONES WARMER THAN SILK



If there is any particular advantage to flannel pajamas—and the girl students at Northwestern university, Chicago, insist there is—it is that they are practical. The flannel "jam" fad has hit the university and all silk, fancy and fluffy types have been ruled out. The flannel pajamas are called "cosette slumberwear" by co-eds. The photo shows Miss Betty Hayes wearing her "cosette slumberwear."

Trade Carnival Results

The winning number drawn Saturday, Dec. 18, which entitles the winner to the Shetland pony and cart, was 329,615. If the holder of this ticket does not notify the Ranger Retail Merchants' Association by noon Friday, Dec. 24, the following numbers will be used as alternatives: 241,276, 174,595, 906,972, 700,859, 512,955, 64,990, 902, 327, 801,155, and 684,541.

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VIENNA, GRATEFUL FOR AMERICAN AID, SENDS GREETINGS

VIENNA, Dec. 23.—But for the arrival of 900 tons of flour, lent by Great Britain and Switzerland, Vienna would have been breadless this week. As it was the government was forced to requisition 140 tons of breadstuffs accumulated by the war kitchens during the summer, in order to tide over the crisis.

A considerable consignment of grain secured in Jugoslavia and Rumania is tied up at various points down the Danube because of very low water throughout the autumn and early ice. Efforts are being made to tranship by rail but the car and locomotive shortage of all the countries involved, as well as the lack of steam coal delays its arrival.

But for American charity, the city authorities concede that Vienna's plight, bad as it is, would have been infinitely worse this winter. The Burgomaster, Dr. Reumann, in appreciation of the extensive American relief being afforded by various organizations, has asked the Associated Press to convey to the American people the following Christmas message:

"The distress in which the Vienna population is living in consequence of the dreadful war has highly impressed the American people.

"In Vienna children are starving and perishing from malnutrition, the sick cannot be attended in the hospitals for want of medicines, surgical instruments, dressing-stuffs and other remedies of all kinds; and the mortality is rapidly increasing among the weak and old. All these facts have called up a noble-minded readiness to help very touching to the population of Vienna.

SUICIDE LEAVES LETTER BLAMING BUSINESS DEAL

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 23.—"Don't ever begin by taking sleeping medicine," "Good-bye old Central Church, the finest that ever was."

"I made my mistake in overbuying." Those are excerpts read at a coroner's inquest today from letters left by Sim Beam, a traveling salesman from Kansas City, who leaped to his death yesterday afternoon from a fourteenth-story window of Hotel Statler.

The missives were found in his room and were addressed to his widow and son and to his employer, Leon Smith, of the Smith-McCord-Townsend Dry Goods Company.

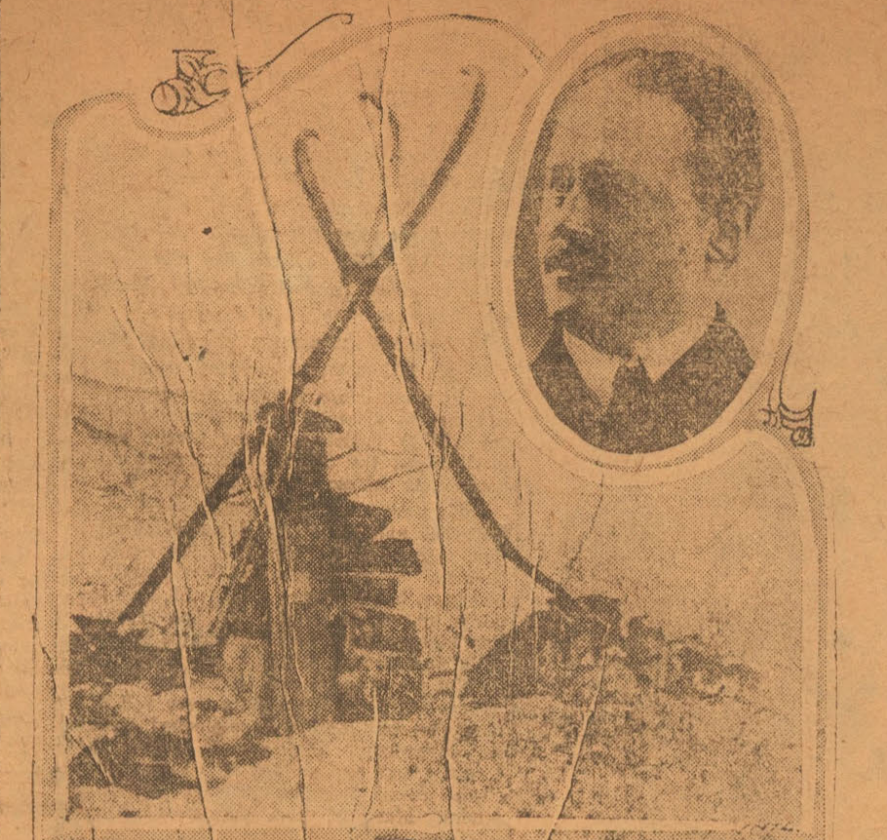
The jury returned a verdict of suicide, after three witnesses told of seeing the body come spinning down and crashing into a canopy, from which it tumbled into the street. Beam was attired in his underwear. He left his clothing and a gold watch in his hotel room.

Writes of Overbuying. All through his letters runs the indication that he was the victim of the financial depression that has fallen over the country. He wrote of his financial difficulties and traced them to his overbuying at a time when merchants were holding back on new purchases and trying to dispose of old stocks.

That Beam's financial worries were personal as well as involving his purchases for his firm is shown by his request that his employer care for his widow and son, whom the letter characterizes as the "dearest in all the world."

"I am too nervous to work and it would take me months to get well," the

FLAG SIGNPOST PEARY PLANTED AT NORTH POLE FOUND 400 MILES AWAY



The first picture to reach here of the flag signpost planted by Admiral Peary at the North Pole and which was discovered by Captain Godford Hansen, Danish Arctic explorer, four hundred miles from its original geographical point. Captain Hansen returned last month after sixteen months in the Arctic. His party, an auxiliary of the Amundsen expedition, reached the northernmost point (82 degrees north) of Greenland. The illustration shows Captain Hansen and the flag signpost erected by Admiral Peary.

letter to his family reads. "Don't ever begin taking sleeping medicine. Oh, how I regret to leave. My fiancée is in bad shape, and it is all my own fault. My intentions were good, but I failed to save. Sim obey your darling mother, and may God keep you. "All Is Lost."

"I had a great career planned, but all is lost. You are the best wife and boy that ever lived. I send you a thousand kisses. I would love to be with you, but you are too far away.

"Oh, how I regret to give up life. Good-bye old Central Church, the best that ever was.

"My firm did grandly by me, but I made my mistake in overbuying."

At the left-hand lower corner of the note is a word which no one could explain. It is "Alouo."

The note to Smith thanked his employer for his past help and asked that he care for his wife and boy. Beam named a number of co-workers to whom he wished to be remembered.

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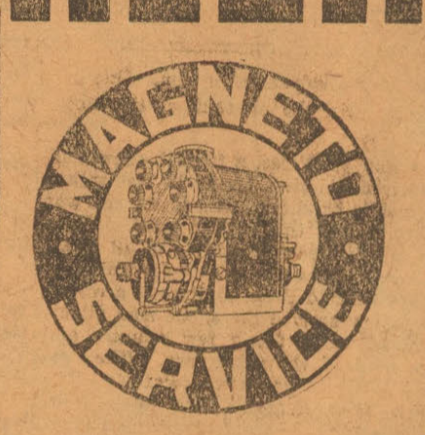
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DEADWOOD DICK OF COACHING FAME REINS UP ON LAST DRIVE

DEADWOOD, S. D., Dec. 23.—Deadwood Dick is dead—again. Every time an old-timer named "Richard" dies in the Black Hills the report goes out that "Deadwood Dick is dead." But this time it is the real Deadwood Dick who dies—Deadwood Dick, the gold guard of the Wells-Fargo overland days; the Deadwood Dick who brought \$350,000,000 in gold down from the Black Hills and never lost an ounce of "stet" the Deadwood Dick who fought Indians and outlaws with the same calmness and composure with which he ate big dinner; the Deadwood Dick of the days of Calamity Jane, Wild Bill, Lane Johnnie, Laughing Sam.

His name was Richard Bullock. He was a distant relative of the late Col. Seth Bullock of South Dakota. His death took place in Southern California, where he went to live after the express company retired him on pension. He came to the Black Hills at such an early date that it's a question whether he was named for Deadwood or Deadwood named for him.

Hero of Dime Novels. This was Deadwood Dick, the hero of 100 dime novels of the "blood and thunder" type. In those novels he used to rescue lovely maidens from Indians and marry them. He righted the wrongs of the "rangers." He outgambled the professional gamblers. He outdid the professional broncho-busters. He out-fought the professional "bad men." He discovered gold where gold had never been dreamed of. He wore "patent leather top boots," "a wide sombrero," "sil-



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ver spurs," "soft flannel shirts," "buckskin trousers," a he galloped across the pages of the "Beadle Dime Library" on his coal black mustang with the fleetness of an Arab racer. He was the hero of thousands and thousands of American boys thirsting for the "one-man" hero.

FIFTEEN MILLION CHRISTMAS SEALS ARE ALREADY SOLD

AUSTIN, Dec. 23.—Nearly 15,000,000 Christmas seals have been sold in Texas

during the first fifteen days of the sale of the little seals of health, is the estimate of Miss Winnie I. Bracy, state seal sale director of the Texas Public Health association.

Local affiliations of the Texas Public Health association at Dallas, Houston and Beaumont have called for a larger quota of seals than were first assigned to them. Many of the counties with small quotas have reported that they exceeded their quotas during the first few days of the seal sale.

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