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## TELLS OF SEEING SOLDIERS HANGED

**Veterans Declares 12 Executions Took Place at Issur Tille in Two Month Period.**

## BETHEL TAKES STAND

**Judge Advocate General Tells Committee That in Time of War Court-Martial Death Sentence Did Not Require President's O. K.**

Washington—George H. Taylor of Philadelphia, who served as a national army man overseas, told a Senate committee that he saw with his own eyes 12 American soldiers hanged around Issur Tille, France, from April to June, 1918, but was unable to say whether any of them had been convicted by courts-martial.

One of the soldiers hanged, he declared, was tried for assault on a French girl by a French court-martial at which one American officer was present. Taylor gave the name of the soldier and said he was a sergeant from Detroit, Mich., but the committee later decided to omit the name from its records.

**Witness Tells of Lynching.**

Robert A. Harrison, of Wilmington, N. C., testified that in 1917 he witnessed the lynching in France of a soldier. The victim was a Mexican from El Paso or Eagle Pass, Tex., who was charged with a crime against a woman and not tried.

"I was told that the man had to be hanged to save some officers from being lashered," Harrison declared.

Through a pair of field glasses Harrison said he saw the lynching in which 30 men took part.

"It was a nice little necktie party," he said. "I saw the body later with a rope around the neck."

**Bethel Recalled to Stand.**

Colonel Walter Bethel, General Pershing's judge advocate general in France, recalled before the Senate committee investigating charges that American soldiers were illegally hanged in France, declared that in time of war court-martial death sentences did not require approval of the President.

Questioned by Senator Watson, Democrat, of Georgia, who laid charges of illegal executions before the Senate, Colonel Bethel said that after war conditions had ended the government directed that all sentences be forwarded to Washington for review.

Colonel Bethel denied it was his inference, as suggested by Senator Watson, that executions were continuing.

## WOULD RECOGNIZE RUSSIA

**Borah Blames U. S. in Part For Present Conditions of Famine.**

Washington—The Senate passed the House bill appropriating $20,000,000 for the relief of the starving and distressed in Russia with two amendments, one appropriating $500,000 to be used for the hospitalization of former service men in Arizona and the other setting aside $100,000 for the use of the government in relieving unemployment.

"The United States government cannot escape some responsibility for present conditions in Russia," Senator Borah, Republican, Idaho, declared during discussion of the Russian relief measure. He urged a change in the attitude of the American government toward Russia, adding that, in his opinion, "the de facto government, as such, ought to be recognized."

## LEGION SUES GERMAN PAPER

**Chicago Post Asks $100,000 for Alleged Editorial Libel.**

Chicago—Notice in a $100,000 libel suit against the Illinois Staats Zeitung, a German language newspaper, was filed by Blackhawk Post No. 107 of the American Legion. The suit alleges the paper printed an editorial December 13 saying the American Legion was "an instrument bought with British gold to suppress truth, to gag freedom of conscience, to beat down free expression of opinion and to betray American organized labor."

## BRITISH ARMY STAYS IN IRIN

**London Halts Evacuation of Troops Pending Outcome of Negotiations.**

Queenstown—Removal of the British troops from Ireland has been suspended and they will not be withdrawn unless the treaty is ratified, it was stated here.

A transport which was to have taken on board troops at Queenstown has been recalled to England and the special trains to convey troops from various places in Southern Ireland, which had been arranged for, have been cancelled.

**Boat's Crew, Missing 5 Days, Rescued.**

Ogdensburg, N. Y.—Seventeen members of the crew of the Canadian lighthouse tender Concretia, missing for five days, have been landed safely at Kingston, Ont., according to word reaching here.

**Soldier Bonus Bill Introduced.**

Washington—Payment of a soldiers' bonus to be financed by a sales tax on manufacturers, jobbers and wholesalers is proposed in a bill introduced by Representative Volk, Republican of New York.

Read the Ads

## Close Monday

**Practically all of the Pine City stores have signified their intention of closing next Monday, on account of Christmas coming on Sunday.**

**The banks and the court house will be closed all day.**

### Big Crowd at Dairy Show

A large crowd attended the dairy meeting and show, at the Family theatre at Pine City, last Saturday afternoon.

The pictures shown were sent by the Jdersey breeder's association, and showed what could accomplished by using a pure bred bull with a scrub herd. There were two speakers, who gave very interesting talks on the raising of cattle.

The show was very entertaining, as well as instructive. It was held under the auspices of the Farm Bureau.

### Pine City Unit to Meet

The Pine City Farm Bureau unit will meet at the G. A. Robinson home south of town, Tuesday evening, December 27th. All members are urged to attend.

### War Tax Repealed

The following statement is issued by L. M. Willcuts, collector of internal revenue for the district of Minnesota:

"Enactment of the new revenue legislation has brought to the office of the collector of internal revenue at St. Paul, a flood of inquiries regarding the various provisions of the act.

"At this time the attention of druggists and other merchants who sell perfume, cosmetics, proprietary medicines, etc., is particularly called to the fact that the stamp tax on these articles has been repealed, effective January 1, 1922. Any dealer who has proprietary stamps on hand after January 1, may make a claim for refund for the face value of these stamps. Such a claim is first reviewed in the office of the collector of internal revenue and then forwarded to Washington for final settlement. This procedure, of a necessity, consumes several month.

"Therefore, all dealers are urged at this time to limit their purchases of proprietary stamps to just such quantity as will take care of their actual needs between now and January 1st, so that they will not have a quantity of stamps on hand after the repeal of the tax, for the refund of which it will be necessary to file a claim."

### School Notes

The P. C. H. S. closed last Friday in the observance of the Christmas holidays. The teachers left for their homes either on Friday orSaturday. The student-body welcomed the vacation after having put in 5 months of "labor." School starts again Tuesday, Jan. 3rd. Let's make every minute count during vacation.

The P. C. H. S. basket ball team defeated Mora in a hard fought game at the armory last Friday evening. Pine City entered the fray the favorite but the Mora lads soon showed they were the equals of the locals, and were on the long end of an 18 to 13 score at the end of the first half. In the second half Pine City players woke up and found themselves. In this half Pine tied the score after Hawley was substituted for H. Johnson at forward. Hawley put real fight in to the game and shot the winning basket from a free throw. The game ended with the score 23 to 22 in Pine City's favor.

This little game gives food for thought. It shows that Pine is not up to form and must be in order to win the district championship. The game was a sour pill but it could easily of been a very bitter one. A little more fight at all times and not so much surely would go fine here.

The Alumni will play the H. S. team next Wednesday, Dec. 28th. This game is for blood so you can depend on seeing a good game. The Alumni will have Kowalke, Pennington, W. Huber, Engel and Woerdin in their line-up, all former stars of the H. S. Come to the game and support your players.

### Program at Henriette

Christmas, the festival of rejoicing unexcelled, is nigh. But is this joyous Christmas message to comfort your heart also, then spend Christmas eve with us, in Henriette.

A well arranged program has been provided for the occasion. The undersigned will preach a "Whose Birth are we celebrating today?" Services start at 8 p. m. Christmas eve. Let's all be there! Let's all bring friends along!—Rev. A. F. Schlobohm, pastor

**Have You Bought Your Christmas Seals**

### A CHRISTMAS CAROL

The snowflakes softly falling
Upon the still, still earth,
Prepare it for the glory
Of our dear Saviors birth.

The sleighbell gently chiming,
And thinking on their way,
Are secretly a-rhyming
A song for Christmas day.

The star that beams in heaven
Is a reflected gleam
Of hopes, that fill men's bosoms
With longing and with dreams.

From our full hearts o'erflowing
With love at Christmas time,
We thank Him for bestowing
His blessing, peace divine.

—by Catherine Parrel, from The Pinnacle

### ANNUAL TELEPHONE MEETING

The annual meeting of the Milburn Independent telephone company will be held in the Milburn school house, on Thursday evening of next week December 29th. All stockholders are urged to be present.

### A Beauty Hint

Probably the most sensible complexion hint that has been issued forth this season is the one attributed to Elaine Hammerstein, the Schmick screen star who is to appear in her latest production, "Pleasure Seekers" at the Family theatre Friday and Saturday.

Miss Hammerstein does not proclaim in large type the virtues of So and So's Elixir of Youth or offer a complicated formula which when applied to the skin before retiring, at night will eradicate the wrinkles of advancing years. Instead she prescribes the following:

"For giving the face a good color get one pot of rouge and one rabbit's foot. Bury them two miles from home and walk out and back once a day and see if they are still there."

### Notice of Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Farmers Terminal Shipping Association will be held in Pine City, Saturday, January 14th, 1922, at 2 o'clock p. m.—Nick Perkins, Secy-Treas.

Be thrifty in your buying

## Open Sunday

**Postmaster Collins announces he will keep the postoffice open next Sunday—Christmas morning, from 8 until 11 o'clock. The windows will be open for business the same as other days.**

### Community Tree at B. Park

Brook Park will have a Community Christmas tree this year. The tree will be in the street where it was last year and will be lighted by electric lights. There will be a program which will be held in the hall. This is to be a Community affair in all respects, and those that are backing it desire that everybody for miles around come and especially bring the little folks. There will be something for every child present. After the program in the hall, doughnuts and coffee will be served to the older folks. This will all be free. Remember that this is for everybody, regardless of creed or nationality. Plan to go and take the whole family.—Brook Park Banner

### Meet at Downing Home

The Farm Bureau Unit of District 22 will hold their annual meeting on Wednesday evening, December 28th, at the Richard Downing home. This is the annual meeting of the unit and officers for the coming year will be elected. All the members are urged to be present.

### Program at Pine Grove

The Sunday school program of the Pine Grove church, east of town, will be held in the church on Thursday evening of next week, December 29th, under the leadership of Rev. Samuelson of Rush City. A cordial invitation is extended to all to be present and enjoy the entertainment.

### Pine City News

Miss Florence Nicoll, county nurse, leaves tomorrow, for St. Paul where she will spend Christmas and next week at the home of her parents. She will return the first of the month.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Ingram are the happy parents of a baby girl, born last week Wednesday. Brother Jack is visiting his grandfather, O. H. Ingram, at Pine City, for a couple of weeks, while "Grandma" Ingram has been assisting here.—Sandstone Courier

Ed Burton writes to have The Press sent to him at Pine City, where he and Mrs. Burton have purchased a restaurant and hotel. We wain to take this occasion to assure the people of Pine City that they will find Mr. and Mrs. Burton fine citizens and thoroughly familiar with hotel and restaurant business and that they will conduct an up-to-date place in every respect.—Frazee Press.

Misses Anna and Alvina Grimm received word the first of the week, that their aunt, Mrs. Henry Spahr had been seriously hurt at St. Paul, last Saturday morning. She was waiting for a street car, and had just stepped into the street, when she was struck by and automobile and knocked down, receiving a concussion of the skull. She is in a critical condition, we understand. The Spahrs are former residents of Pine City, leaving here about ten years ago.

Ray Hoefler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Hoefler, spent Saturday and Sunday at the home of his parents here. He has been confined to a hospital in Duluth, where he has been receiving treatment for his eye which he injured while out hunting this fall. While cutting a deer, the knife slipped and went through the lower eye-lid, striking the eyeball and passing back of the eye. The injury has been extremely painful, and he is unable to keep the eye open for a few seconds at a time. The sight isn't completely gone, as he can notice anything passed in front of the eye. He leaves for Milwaukee this week where he will receive treatment by an eye specialist. The doctors in Duluth were unable to determine as yet, whether he would lose the sight or not, but with proper treatment they thought it could be saved.

## WHEAT MARKET FIRMER

**Improved Export Trade Responsible for Better Undertone.**

**Wheat and Flour Loaded for Ocean Passage During Week Nearly Forty Million Bushels—Live Stock Prices Fall Off.**

U. S. Bureau of Markets, Washington, D. C., for one week ended Dec. 19, 1921.

GRAIN: Lower wheat prices early in week were followed by a better undertone due in part to higher foreign markets, Kansas state wheat crop report and big export business reported, and prices made net advances. Chicago May wheat up 1¾c closing $1.14¾. Chicago May corn down ⅛c closing at 52¼c. Visible supply wheat 45,970,000 bus., an increase of 733,000 bus. for week. Wheat and flour ocean passage this week 37,640,000 bus. Visible supply corn 18,258,000 bus., an increase of 2,206,00 bus. for week. Closing prices in Chicago cash market: No. 2 red winter wheat $1.17; No. 2 hard winter wheat $1.11; No. 2 mixed corn 49c; No. 2 yellow corn 49c; No. 2 white oats 36c. Average price to farmers in central Iowa for No. 2 mixed corn about 32½c; to farmers in central North Dakota for No. 1 dark northern wheat $1.04¾; for the week Minneapolis May wheat up 2c closing $1.21½; Kansas City May wheat up 1½c at $1.07; Winnipeg May wheat up 4¼c at $1.12¼.

HAY: Fairly large receipts of only medium quality hay in practically all eastern and central western markets caused a weak condition in the hay market and in several instances price concessions were necessary to move the hay.

FEED: Abnormal strength prevailing in bran market with other feeds, including high protein products, sharing bullish tone. Quoted December 17th: Bran $21.50, middlings $22, linseed meal $38, Minneapolis; 36 per cent cottonseed meal $35 Memphis; white hominy feed $23.50, gluten feed $24.65, Chicago; No. 1 alfalfa meal $16.50, Kansas City, beet pulp $23 Philadelphia.

DAIRY PRODUCTS: Butter markets unsettled with immediate supply and demand controlling influences. Specialists demand lacking. Fancies grades scarce and most sensitive to price changes. Closing prices: 92 score New York 43c; Philadelphia and Boston 43c; Chicago 42½c.

Cheese markets inactive but steady usual Holiday dullness prevails. Held cheese in best demand with fancy June goods scarce. Prices at Wisconsin primary markets Dec. 17th: Twins 19½c; Dabsies 20½c; Double Dabsies 20c; Longhorns 21c; Young Americas 21½c.

LIVESTOCK AND MEATS. Prices of most classes and grades of livestock at Chicago show substantial declines for the week. Hogs lost 15c-40c. Beef steers down 35c-75c; butcher cows and heifers declined all the way from 10c to 75c per 100 lbs. Feeder steers advanced 15-25c. Fat lambs lost 75c; fat ewes 50c; yearlings weak to 75c lower. Feeder lambs up 25c. Dec. 19th Chicago prices: Hogs, top, $7.25 (early), bulk of sales $6.50-$6.85; medium and good beef steers $6.15-$.25; butcher cows and heifers $3.25-$; feeder steers $5-6.75; light and medium weight veal calves $6.25-$.25; fat lambs $8.25-10.50; feeding lambs $5.75-10; yearlings $7-9; fat ewes $3-5.25.

Eastern wholesale fresh meat prices declined. Beef and veal down $2-3; lamb $1-4; mutton generally $1-3. Dec. 19th prices, good grade meats: Beef $13-15.50; veal $17-20; lamb $24-27; mutton $13-15; light pork loins $17-20; heavy loins $14-16.

## MILLIONS VOTED FOR RUSSIA

**Bill to Supply Famine Relief is Passed By House.**

Washington—A bill authorizing the President to expend $20,000,000 out of the funds of the United States grain corporation for relief of the distressed and starving people of Russia was passed by the House, 114 to 51.

Opponents of the measure fought it to the last and forced a roll call on the ground that the vote as announced did not include a quorum of the House. The roll call resulted 181 to 71 and the bill now goes to the Senate.

## HOLLAND TO GET U. S. LOAN

**American Financiers Plan Syndicate to Float $50,000,000.**

New York—Cables from London and other European centers, intimating that American bankers were considering a loan of fairly large proportions to Holland, were confirmed.

It was understood that a group of American financiers may organize a syndicate for a loan of $25,000,000, to be followed by a second loan for the same amount.

**Film Explodes; Operator Killed.**

Kawanee, Ill.—John Schon, operator at a motion picture theater here, was killed when a film exploded. There were few people in the audience and all escaped without injury.

**Anti-alien Land Bill Upheld.**

San Francisco—The constitutionality of the California anti-alien land bill forbidding aliens ineligible to citizenship from owning or leasing agricultural land, was upheld by a court of three federal judges.

**Italian Medals Given Americans.**

Washington — Distribution of the War Cross of Italy to all men of the United States army and marine corps who won the Congressional Medal of Honor during the World war was begun by General Vaccari.

Read the Ads

# The Girl, a Horse and a Dog

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### BULLERTON.

Synopsis. — Under his grandfather's will, Stanford Broughton, society idler, finds his share of the estate, valued at something like $440,000, lies in a "safe repository," latitude and longitude described, and that is all. It may be identified by the presence nearby of a brown-haired, blue-eyed girl, a piebald horse, and a dog with a spilt face, half black and half white. Stanford at first regards the request as a practical joke, but after consideration sets out to find his legacy. On his way to Denver, the city nearest the spot indicated in his grandfather's will, Stanford hears from a fellow traveler, Charles Bullerton, a mining engineer, a story having to do with a flooded mine.

### CHAPTER III.

#### Waifs and Strays.

When I crawled out of my berth at the porter's call the next morning, my Pullman was standing in the Denver yard. While I was shaving in the washroom I asked the colored boy for my smoking-room chum of the night before was up yet.

"Yas, sah; he done been up an' gone, for the longest."

Of course, this was mere idle questioning on my part. Tracing the brown-bearded mining engineer who had used me as a convenient dumping ground for his story was the least of my intention at the moment. For that matter, since we had exchanged cards, and I wasn't even sure that I'd heard his name straight, I couldn't have traced him if I had wanted to.

Recalling the story in the garish light of another day, it seemed a bit less credible than it had while I was listening to it, and I began to wonder if the teller of it might not be a member of the deathless guild of smoke-room romancers. I buried the story among the things to be smiled at and forgotten, when I took a taxi for the hotel. After an excellent breakfast I made a few inquiries about the meridian; the 105th, that the maps showed as passing just west of the city. The maps were right. The 105th meridian, which is the one from which mountain time is reckoned, ran a little west of the city proper, and, by consequence, west of the two other principal cities of the state, Colorado Springs and Pueblo.

I found that the 105th meridian, tracing it north from Denver, stops short against the 40th parallel of latitude just south of a little town called Erie. Traced south, it tracks the D. & R. G. railroad for about twenty miles and then takes to the mountain, barely shutting out Manitou, and passing, of course, well to the westward of Pueblo. This simplified matters—a little.

Yet this business of wandering aimlessly from post to pillar, combing the face of nature for blue-eyed maidens and piebald horses and harlequin-faced dogs was already beginning to strike me as about the most fantastic thing a body could conceive of doing. To attempt it without a plan of some kind seemed worse than useless; so, for perhaps the first time in a pretty rattle-brained life, I sat down to do some ground-and-lofty head work, with Cousin Percy's letter for a sort of nexus.

The third paragraph contained the meat of the matter: "Your portion of Grandfather Jasper's property was worth, at its latest valuation, something like $440,000." What single piece of property outside of a large city could be worth any such sum as that? I could think of nothing but a mine of some kind, unless it might be a cattle ranch, or a growth of standing timber; and in the area laid out for me, mines would outvote cattle or timber about a hundred to one, I thought.

Then there was that other phrase: "It lies in a perfectly safe repository. . . . 'Repository' implied a receptacle or container of some sort; a brick wall, or a barbed-wire fence, or any inclosing thing you like to imagine. Could a mine be said to be a "repository"?

As you see, I kept coming back to the mine idea, in spite of all I could do; and at last, without a word of warning, and right out of a clear sky, as you may say, smack! a thing hit me squarely between the shoulder-blades—Brown-beard and his eccentric old gentleman!

After I got cooled off a bit I had to admit that there was something less than one chance in a thousand that, at the price of a couple of cigars given to a fellow traveler in distress, I had purchased any real clue to my own puzzle.

Yet I couldn't get away from the notion that I was on the verge of a discovery. Oddly enough, the uncanniest part of it—the one chance in a million that I should run across the one person in a hundred million who could tell me that particular story—didn't impress me at the time. I was too busily engaged in trying to fit the puzzle pieces together to think of anything else at the moment.

Come to sum them up, they fitted astoundingly well. Grandfather Jasper had always been exceedingly close-mouthed when speaking of his investments. Added to that, he would be the last man in the world to have confessed that he had been bitten, even indirectly, by a "goldbrick" game. Then, too, the course he had pursued with the mining engineer (always grading the truth of Brown-beard's story) was just like him; he would have wanted a year in which to think it over—or may be longer. Also, it was like him to keep all the identifying marks as carefully hidden as a hot meat in its chest.

At this point I began to think about getting active. One word from Bullerton or Bullerton, or whatever his name was, would settle the identities beyond question, and that word was his "old gentleman's" name. He hadn't mentioned it once in telling his yarn—which might have been by design, or just a happen-so. But, by heavens, I'd make him mention it!

I happened to think of the Mining exchange, and to wonder if somebody connected with it might not have a list of engineers and mining experts. A hike through the streets brought me to the exchange and the secretary not only had such a list, but was willing to show it to me. In its proper place I found the name, "Charles Bullerton." A query shot at the man behind the desk elicited the information that Mr. Charles Bullerton was in South America. At this, I could have shouted for joy, because it proved conclusively that Charles Bullerton was my man, and that the tale to which I had listened wasn't altogether made up out of whole cloth, as so many Pullman smoke-room romances are.

Bullerton's usual address, when he was in Colorado and not in Denver, was in care of a certain bank in Cripple Creek; or at least, that was the way it had been before he went to South America.

A telegraph office was the next thing on the program, and when I found one it seemed to be about a hundred-to-one shot that I'd never touch bottom, since I had no hint that Bullerton had been headed for Cripple Creek. My message, prepaid and answer prepaid, contained only a single question: "What was the name of the old gentleman who bought the watered mine and then died?" An answer to that would tell the story.

For two whole days, an interval which I spent in hither-and-yon chasings of piebald ponies and harlequin-faced dogs about the streets of Denver—and found no blue-eyed girls attached to any of them—I thought I had merely shot up into the air with my telegram, and missed the whole face of the earth. Then, one morning, the answer came in just two words, like this:

"To Stanford Broughton,
"Hotel Savoy.
"Denver.
"John Smith.
"CHARLES BULLERTON."

That settled it with a vengeance, you'd say. And yet it didn't. It merely proved that Mr. Charles Bullerton had acquired a sudden excess of caution, and was probably cussing himself plentifully for having been too loose-tongued with a perfect stranger in a Pullman smoker. He had answered my wire with a name that meant just as much or as little as if he'd said "Alexander the Great," and that was precisely the amount of information he had intended to convey.

Whether or not Bullerton's memorandum agreement with my grandfather would be binding upon me as grandfather Jasper's heir, was a question for the courts to decide. But one thing was certain—that is, granting all the assumptions; if he should find the mine and go to work on his unwinding scheme, he would have a grip on things that might be handsomely troublesome to shake loose.

After I had argued it out thus far the next step suggested itself in a jiffy. I must have a heart-to-heart talk with the cautious Mr. Bullerton, telling him who I was, and perhaps giving him a chance to join forces with me in the search, if it should prove to be my grandfather's mine that he was looking for. Grubbing this impulse by the neck, so to speak, I took the first train for Cripple Creek. The next morning, when I made inquiry, I found that Bullerton had left town, though where he had gone the bank folks couldn't say.

I had gone into the chase more than half for the sheer fun of it; pretty much as the dog runs after the stick you've flung into the bushes, and which he hasn't much hope of finding, but now it was appealing to me as more of a man's job. There was a legacy; and however vague it might be in its present condition, it had once been worth nearly half a million—and might be again. And a half-million is a whole lot of money, when you come to consider it.

From what little the bank folks told me it appeared that Bullerton was fairly well known in Cripple Creek and the region roundabout. Therefore, somebody, in the near vicinity must know more than I had so far been able to learn about the manner of his disappearance and his probable destination. My job was to find the somebody.

About the time I thought I had exhausted all the combinations, I found the one particular Bullerton friend I was hunting for. His name, as I recall it, was Hilton, or something like that, and he was the superintendent of a big drainage-tunnel undertaking designed to drain water a lot of flooded mines on the hills above the tunnel site.

"I can give you a little information, but not much," was his answer to my inquiry. "Bullerton is hughouse on the subject of a lost mine—not an unusual disease in any mining country—and he has gone to hunt for it. He has a sketch map of the location, but nothing to tie it to. I didn't ask him what the lost mine was—or rather, where he thought it was."

"Then, of course, you have no idea where his hunt was to begin?" I threw in.

"Only a guess. In our talk, he asked me if I knew anything about a place called Placerville, in the Red desert; what sort of a town it was, and if a man could outfit there for a prospecting trip. I took it from this that he might be heading for Placerville, though he didn't say that he was."

As you'd imagine, this was enough for me. The next morning I was back in Denver, figuring out the quickest way to get to Placerville in the Red desert. I hoped Bullerton was on the true scent, but was mightily afraid he wasn't—in which case I, too, would go beautifully astray. But if he should happen to be on the right track, then I must beat him to the goal. True, he had a map to guide him, and was that much better off than I was. But, on the other hand, I had the girl, a horse and a dog.

### CHAPTER IV.

#### At the Back of Beyond.

To my chagrin, the railroad ticket offices in Denver didn't know any such place as Placerville in the Red desert region, which was then, as now, traversed only by one railroad. The single "Placerville" they had listed was a station not far from Telluride, in quite another part of the state. Nor could the Mining exchange gentleman help me. However, he suggested that if I could find some old resident ("Oldtimer" was the word he used) whose memory reached back a ways, there might be something doing.

"Steer me," I begged; "I'm a half-orphan and a total stranger in Denver."

He laughed, and then thought for a minute, and said:

"The Du Pont Powder people have been doing business here for a good many years, and they know the powder buyers all over the state. It's just possible that they could tell you. Suppose you ask at their office."

I went, forthwith; and the gentleman to whom I presented my card at the cashier's window had the Red Desert Placerville, he told me, was strictly a "has been." The placers had long ago been exhausted, and the place had afterward figured as a shipping point for some mine or mines on the desert slope of the Eastern Timanyonis. He was not quite certain, but he thought the name "Placerville" had been changed to something else.

As to the manner of reaching the "has been," this, as he pointed out, was simple enough. There were through sleepers by way of the D., S.W. and Copah all the way to the Pacific coast.

Armed with this information, I quickly shook the dust of Denver (no joke! Denver intended at the Queen City of the Plain) from my feet, taking a through ticket to Angels; and the following morning, when I ran my window shade up previous to turning out for breakfast, the train was rolling along over endless reaches of the dryest, dreariest, most barren-looking country that the sun ever shone upon; red sand, it appeared to be, with wizened bits of grass here and there and scattering bunches of what I afterward learned was called "greasewood." It was while luncheon was getting itself served that the train stopped to water the engine at the most desolate place that ever lay out of doors. I do think. The place was utterly deserted; there wasn't a human being in sight, either on the platform or in the street upon which the station faced; not even the bunch of loafers which usually materializes out of nowhere to see a train came and go. I was looking out of the window and wondering how anybody, even a hermit telegraph operator, could stand it to live in such a desert spot of a place when I got my shock.

It was a dog that connected up the high-voltage wires for me; a shaggy mongrel of the sheep-herding breed, and red ribbon of a tongue hanging out as he jumped up on the high station platform as if to say "Hello, stranger!" to the boy, rather than to anybody else. That dog's face and dividing it as accurately as if it had been drawn by some mathematical draftsman, was a fine rearing off a black half from a white half!

I was just taking a swallow of hot chocolate when the dog appeared, and it nearly choked me. Luckily, I got the swallow down just before I saw the horse—a grasshopper-headed cow pony, saddled and bridled and standing hitched to a gnawed wooden rail in front of one of the tumble-down shacks. "Piebald" is a sort of an alias, as near as the dictionaries define it, and it might apply to almost any head-markings out of the ordinary. But the horse I was paying at fell easily within any or all of the definitions; it was a true "calico," white and light sorrel in grotesque patchings; unmistakably "piebald," if a purist in the use of the mother-tongue—like Cousin Percy, for example—wished to call it so.

Before I could rush back to the steward's sentry-box in the vestibule of the car our train was chasing along again.

"Hey!" I shouted; "what's the name of that place where we stopped to water the engine?"

"Atropia."

"Death-sleep," I translated with a grin. "It fits, all the way down to the ground. What are the industries of Atropia?"

"I don't get you."

"Excuse me; I'll try to put it in simpler form. Why is Atropia?"

He appeared to have reached the conclusion that I was an escaped lunatic, safe enough, most probably a harmless one. He looked first at the little colored slip sticking in my hat-band and then consulted a note-book drawn from his pocket.

"H'm; ticketed to Angels," he muttered half to himself. And then to me: "Was you expectin' to have friends meet you at Angels?"

This was too much, and, anxious as I was to find out something more about Atropia, I felt it an imperative duty—fool-like—to do my small part toward enlivening a rather sad world. So I said, solemnly:

"I shall be met by a parade of the Angels fire department, in uniform, and with the apparatus, headed by a brass band. But this is irrelevant to the present burning question. What I am thirsting to know is why there should be a dog with a face half white and half black standing on the Atropia station platform, and a piebald pony hitched to the horse-rack on the Atropia public square."

That finished him.

"Say, young feller, you've got 'em bad," he commented. "But that'll be all right. Just you wait till we get to Angels, and then you can find out all these funny things you're so dead anxious to know."

"Hold on a minute," I interposed as he was trying to escape. "Atropia hasn't always been as dead as it is now, has it? What was its name when it was alive and able to sit up and take nourishment?"

"Huh?" he queried; and then: "Oh, I get you, now; it used to be called Placerville."

"Thank you; that helps. Now how much farther is it to Angels?"

"About twenty miles."

"All right. And why will there be a train coming back to this Atropia place?"

"Way-freight — tomorruh mornin'—eight-thirty out o' Angels."

"Good. Now if those fire people and the brass band don't miss me—" I couldn't resist the temptation to give him a final shot, and it hit the bull's-eye. As he edged away I could see by his expression that he still thought me crazy.

When I got back to my Pullman after luncheon I perceived at once that the train conductor had promptly passed the word about the episode in the dining car. The Pullman conductor evidently had his weather eye on me, and the negro porter shied every time he passed my section. This was rich, but it I could have known the tenth part of what was going to pop out of this Pandora box that I had foolishly dug up in the dining car, the amusement feature would speedily have been forgotten in a pretty strenuous effort to straighten things out while there was yet time.

I descended from the train at my ticket-named destination of Angels, and found a typical mining camp of a single street and a tawdry, dusty dreariness scarcely exceeded by that of the dead-alive Atropia. The first thing I saw on the station platform was my train conductor talking earnestly to a large, desperado-looking man whose greatest need was for a clean shave. By the manner of the two I saw that their talk was aiming itself at me; the railroad man was only too plainly warning the Angelic person that Angels the Blest had a probably harmless, but possibly dangerous, maniac in its midst.

Still I saw only the humorous side of it and refused to be disturbed. Fired by the ambition to find some way of returning at once to Atropia, before the magic horse and dog should disappear, I tramped off in search of a place where I could leave my two grips. The place that offered, and the only one, was the "Celestial Hotel" and I wondered what sly wag had suggested the name, which was a double pun upon the name of the town and the fact that the tavern, half restaurant and half lodging-house, was kept by a Chinaman.

But I secured accommodation, and as I was turning to leave the restaurant-tavern trouble loomed up in the shape of the heavy-shouldered desperadoish-looking person whom I had seen at the station talking with the train conductor.

"I'm onto you with both feet," he remarked, boring me with an eye that I could easily fancy might strike terror into the heart of the most reckless criminal. "I'm onto you! I ain't right now that no funny business don't go in this man's town; see?"

"I'm quite harmless," I assured him. "Give me a little information, and I'll forthwith remove myself from the confines of your charming city. How far is it by wagon-road to Placerville-Atropia, and how can I get there?"

"My gosh!" he said gloomily; "two of you in the same dog-goned week!"

"Even so. When did the other one arrive?"

"Day before yistidday. He didn't look so much boghouse as you do, but I reckon he must 'a' been off his kn-whoop, too, 'r he wouldn't 'a' gone to 'Tropia."

"Let him rest in peace. Do I get my information?"

"Shore; we speeds the partin' guest. You've come apast your place. Twenty-one mile back; and the way-freight 'll git you there to-morruh mornin'."

"I'm going to Atropia—this afternoon," I bragged.

He let me pass, and I tramped up the street until I found the one livery stable. Here, again, my foul reputation had quite evidently outrun me. The man had idle horses, plenty of them, as I couldn't help seeing, but I couldn't hire one for love or money. When it came right down to the pinch, he wouldn't even sell me one.

By this time I was in a hot sweat of impatience to be on my way; to bridge that twenty-one miles before the elusive clue—if it were the clue—could once more slough off and vanish into thin air. In that frame of mind I told the cautious liveryman, in gentle phrase, what I thought of him and his kind, and hurried down to the railroad, hoping to catch a glimpse of the east-bound train of some kind, any kind, whose crew could be bribed or cajoled into carrying me to Atropia.

It was just as I was about to inquire of the telegraph operator what the chances were that the great locomotive rose up and slapped me in the face. Up the grade from the westward a tiny, three-wheeled car, carrying two men, came spinning along. I recognized it at once as a track-inspection car, driven by a small gasoline engine; an evolution of the old velocipede car, foot and hand-driven and used by roadmasters and other railroad men for making quick trips over short distances.

In half a minute the little car rattled up to the station and made a quick stop, the two men setting the brakes and hopping off to dodge into the telegraph office. They left the little pop-popping engine running at idling speed, and in a flash I saw my chance. Of course, if I should steal the car, I'd be caught and arrested and hauled off somewhere to be tried and fined; but before any of these untoward things could happen, I should have settled the rolling question of the ownership of the piebald pony and the harlequin-faced dog.

With a quick glance over my shoulder to make sure that the coast was still clear, I slipped into the driving-seat, jerked the throttle open and released the clutch, praying fervently that the switches might be set right for me at the upper end of the Angels yard.

As the machine began to gather speed, I looked back. What I saw was a-plenty. Three men, one of them, whom I took to be the telegraph operator, in his shirt-sleeves, came running up the station platform. The shirt-sleeved man was yelling and waving something that glistened in the sunlight. Next I heard the distance-diminished crack of a pistol and a blunt-nosed bullet sang a whining little lullaby to me as it tore past.

I flung up an arm to show the pistol-firer that he had missed, and then the small car swung around the shoulder of the nearest hill and Angels became only a backward-flitting memory.

### CHAPTER V.

#### The Magic Triad.

To be stopped before I could reach my goal was no part of my plan, so I opened things up and gave the little three-wheeled dinky all the gas it could use, keeping a sharp lookout ahead, and meaning to pull up in a little way short of the graveyard city, abandoning the car and making the actual approach on foot.

Judging from the way the scenery was racing backward, I estimated that the little car must be doing at least thirty miles to the hour; which meant forty minutes or such a matter, to cover the twenty-one miles. If opposing train or trains, whatever they might be, would only keep out of my way for those precious forty minutes. . . .

What I Saw Was a-Plenty.

I pushed the small motor to its limit and was getting along beautifully until suddenly, on a grade that was a bit steeper than usual, the popping exhaust quit short off, the engine stowed down, and the car, squeaking and grinding, came to a stand on a low embankment between two of the hill cuttings.

There wasn't anything very complicated about the little motor, and I soon discovered that a broken ignition wire was what had killed it. Happily, there was a small toolbox under the seat, and in the kit there was a pair of pliers. But sometimes—and this was one of them—a bit of material is as important as the tools to work with. The broken wire was too short to couple up again, and there wasn't an inch of spare wire to be found in the kit.

They say that necessity is the mother of invention; but I'll defy anybody to make a piece of wire to the middle of the Great Sahara desert. Every minute I was expecting to hear the rumble and roar of a train.

In this extremity it was a little desert zephyr that gave me the great idea. A gentle breeze came sighing up the draw from some overheated area out beyond, and finding no trees on the barren hills, fell to singing its little song in the thickly clustering telegraph wires on the poles. Why, sure! I said to myself; here was my wire—miles and miles of it. All I had to do was to climb up and get it.

"Have you a small brown mole on your left shoulder?"

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Whale fat is used on a large scale in Denmark in making oleomargarine.

## CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE PLATE

### How the Spirit of Giving Was Manifested in the Churches a Hundred Years Ago.

Fresh-laid eggs are frequently deposited on the contribution plate in some of the backwoods Episcopal churches of the South. Which goes to show that the spirit of giving hasn't changed much in the hundred odd years or so of the Church Missionary society. The first report of the society dated May 30, 1823, was dug up the other day in the form of a list of contribution of eggs, a score of other articles of merchandise seem to have found their way to the plate from the people who gave "according to their means." The report, a rare one, shows that back in 1821 David Southan gave a basket of groceries for the support of the missionaries; Stephen North contributed a medicine chest; William Rayland, a cross-cut saw; Joe and John Needles, two sieves; S. Massey, a coffee mill. John and T. Cluly contributed, alas, a disparaging gift—a safe. John Burson came along with a tub, whether bath or wash is not stated. C. Buckley is credited on the books with "selection on hat," $1.50; John McAllister donates a thermometer. Among other miscellanies are linen banks, states, spades, shoes, trousers, chairs, soap, bridles and locks. Finally from one Richard Marhall there is a hogshead of tobacco, which encourages the hope that some good missionary to the church in his lonely station after off enjoyed a comfortable smoke, says the publicity department of the Protestant Episcopal church.

### Human Stature Unchanged.

The stories of the pygmies go with the fables of the giants. The men of ancient times were of the same, or nearly the same, height as those of the present day. The doors of ancient houses, ancient armor, the Egyptian mummies, as well as the fossil bones of men, prove that there has been little or no variation.

Among famous tall men was the Roman Emperor Maximin, whose stature was seven and three-quarter feet. Maximin was a peasant herdsman the son of a Gothic father, who first attracted the attention of the Romans by overcoming sixteen of the strongest men, one after another, in a wrestling match, and, having been made a centurion, he fought and intrigued his way to the imperial throne.

The normal stature of men and women ranges between five feet and six feet four inches.

### The Height of Man.

There is no evidence that men have ever had a greater average height than they have now. For a long time there existed in France, near the junction of the Isere and Rhone rivers, a deposit of gigantic bones known as the "giants' field." In recent times bones have been exhumed there which were believed to be human and were said to be those of Teutobodus, the king of the Teutons, who were overcome near the spot by Marius, the Roman general.

The researches of Cuvier proved, however, that these bones, together with all the others exhumed in the same place, were those of an extinct animal of the tapir species, which measured about twenty feet in length.


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### John's Discouragement.

Little John sat upon the stairs looking disconsolate.

"What's the matter, Johnny?" asked Cousin Isabel kindly.

"Well, you see, Cousin Isabel, they let me hold the baby on my knee, sometimes, though he can't even hold his head up straight. And they weigh him every single day, but since they began it he's gained only two pounds and three ounces. And I've just been thinking that I'll be an old, old man before that fellow'll be of any use on the team."


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### Couldn't Feel Him.

An Indianapolis woman was visiting her three-year-old grandson, and one day saw him standing before the mirror looking at himself, and saying:

"Yes, that's me."

"Thomas," said grandmother, "you should say, 'That's I.'"

"Well, it might be I, but it looks like me."

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## CHOICE BETWEEN TWO LOVES

Can One Wonder That Malvina Turtledove Hesitated When It Came to a Showdown?

Malvina Turtledove weeped bitterly. Those dear, bright blue eyes were in danger of being washed clearer and bluer still.

She was in love!

Then she dressed hurriedly, in preparation for Jack's expected visit.

Promptly at eight he arrived.

"Jack," she breathed, "I am so worried."

"My pet, my angel, what is it?" asked Jack, in great concern.

"I have got to give one of you up, and I don't know which I love best. Can't I—" the maiden wept.

"No!" returned Jack, determinedly. "You must choose between us—be or I!"

"Jack," she wept, "show me some mercy!"

But he showed her none, and so, with a last look of love, Malvina threw her Pomeranian, Bob, out of the window and said:

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### Not for a While.

He was a bachelor in the forties and she was a sweet young thing of twenty, but he loved her and was courting her vigorously in all the ways an old bachelor knows how to woo a young maid. Then one night he decided he would sing to her. Going to the piano, he picked up some loose sheets of music and began to play. Finally he came to one which pleased him and began to sing:

"Grow old with me— The best of—"

But the sweet young thing had interrupted him very forcibly. "I won't do it," she tossed back impudently, "at least, not for 25 years."—Brooklyn Standard Union.

### On the Other Hand.

The late Edgar Saltus, the brilliant and satirical novelist, said one day at a New York wedding breakfast, where the bridegroom was a millionaire of forty-five:

"Our Rockefellers and Schwabs and Russell Sages married in their first youth. Well, our successful men don't marry now as early as they used to, but, on the other hand—"

And Mr. Saltus looked round the table with a bland smile.

"On the other hand, they marry oftener."

### Tit for Tat.

The man who "also ran" in a political race usually has an empty purse as a souvenir.

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## MINNESOTA HOG BRINGS RECORD PRICE AT SHOW

Champion Porker Sold at International Show for $167.50—Grain and Hay Exhibitors Win Prizes.

(Prepared by Office of Publications, University Farm, St. Paul.)

The highest price ever paid for a hog at the International Livestock show in Chicago was received by the University of Minnesota for its grand champion barrow at the 1921 exhibition. Selling for 33½ cents a pound, the pig, which weighed 500 pounds, brought $167.50. The champion barrow was only one of many wins scored by the university at the big show in swine and cattle classes.

In the Hay and Grain show the sweet clover, exhibited by Charles Franks, Warren, in the famous Red River valley, won first Sweepstakes

This hog—the grand championship barrow for all breeds at the 1921 International Livestock show in Chicago—has the distinction of being the highest priced porker ever sold at the International. Thirty-three and one-half cents a pound was paid, or a total of $167.50. This hog was owned by the Department of Agriculture of the University of Minnesota.

in the 10-year yellow corn class in zone 1, which includes the northern part of the state, went to John Henderson of Cokato. Other awards in the Hay and Grain show were as follows:

Single ear class, zone 2: Lewis Scott, Fairmont, first; L. J. Colberg, Redwood Falls, third; L. E. Zimmerman, Tracy, sixth; James Randolph, Kasota, seventh; William Byrne, Farmington, sixteenth; Peter Scott, Fairmont, twenty-third; and M. D. Hahn, Amiret, twenty-fifth.

Ten-ear yellow corn, zone 2: Lewis Scott, Fairmont, second; M. D. Hahn, Amiret, ninth; Thos. Hosken, North Redwood, tenth; Peter Scott, Fairmont, nineteenth.

Ten ear white corn, zone 2: C. L. Blanchar, Sherburn, fifth; G. A. Radke, Tracy, sixth; Peterson brothers, New Richland, seventh; J. Rasmussen, Hartland, eighth; H. Vieselman, Fairmont, twelfth.

John Swedberg, White Bear, won third in the single ear class in zone 1. For flint corn in zone 1, J. W. Beckman, Cokato, took fourth; A. C. Marsh, Delhi, was tenth in soy beans. In durum wheat W. O. Williamson, Halleck, was fifth.

## DETECTING PRESENCE OF WOOL AND ADULTERANT IN CLOTHING

(Prepared by Office of Publications, University Farm, St. Paul.)

Those who purchase winter clothing or material made from wool—or supposedly made from wool—are interested to know whether they are buying genuine wool or shoddy and cotton. It is comparatively difficult to detect the presence of some shoddy or adulterant except by carefully controlled laboratory tests, but a few simple tests for wool which will aid the purchaser are given by the workers in textiles at the state college of agriculture.

Woolen material should feel springy, harsh and elastic. Much of this elasticity is lost when, in manufacture, wool is combined with much cotton or shoddy.

Another test for wool is that of burning a sample of the material. Wool burns much like hair; it smoulders slowly and soon is extinguished. An all-woolen material leaves oily, gummy globules as a residue.

Material may also be torn, or pulled apart, as a test of the fiber and the strength of the material. Wool material tears with a dull or muffled sound. The ease with which the cloth tears depends on the weight of the yarn and the weave.

If cotton and wool are woven together, the kinds of fibers may often be distinguished along the sides of the tear.

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Hot lunches in the school are health insurance for the young.

### Tussock Moths Are Burned.

Millions of Tussoc moths that might have been, and next year might have played havoc with Minneapolis trees, are not to be, because of the absence of cold and snow. For the last few weeks Park board workers have been making a thorough "barking" of trees, have scraped the white wax coverings, tussoc eggs and all, and have burned them. Virtually millions of tussoc moths in the making have been destroyed in this way, according to C. A. Bossen, assistant superintendent of parks.

### Get Blouse Sides Even.

In making a blouse with tucked fronts, an easy way to get both sides the same is to measure length desired for both fronts, leaving it in one piece, and then tuck it. This saves measuring, and is done more quickly.

### Washable Luncheon Sets.

The washable luncheon sets of decorated sanitas are as pretty as they are practical. They are shown in shapes to fit round, oblong or square dining tables.

## LIVESTOCK BREEDERS TO MEET AT UNIVERSITY JAN. 6

(Prepared by Office of Publications, University Farm, St. Paul.)

The annual meeting of the Minnesota Livestock Breeders association will be held Friday, Jan. 6 at University Farm during Farmers' and Homemakers' Week. President T. E. Cashman will deliver the opening address on the past and present of the livestock business. Dean W. C. Coffey, one of the best known livestock authorities in college circles and recently appointed dean of the Minnesota college of agriculture, will give an address.

F. O. Lowden, former governor of Illinois, at one time a prominent Shorthorn breeder but more recently one of the largest Holstein breeders of that state, will deliver an interesting address on livestock production.

### British Live Stock Man to Attend.

Those who have attended the Livestock Breeders' meetings of 1919 and 1920 will be glad to learn that Duncan Marshall has consented to appear on the program. He is known throughout Great Britain and America as one of the best livestock men of the time. The business session of the Minnesota Livestock Breeders' Association will be held at 4 p. m. the same day. The annual banquet will take place Thursday evening, Jan. 5, in St. Paul.

The Minnesota swine, horse and sheep breeders' associations will hold their annual meetings on Wednesday, Jan. 4, at University Farm. Prominent speakers will be in attendance and discussions entered into which will be of great value to the livestock breeders.

On Thursday, Jan. 5, the Minnesota Hereford, Aberdeen-Angus, Holstein, Guernsey, Jersey, Ayrshire and Brown Swiss cattle associations will hold their annual meetings at the farm. Dr. C. E. Cotton of the State Livestock Sanitary Board will give an address on the control of bovine tuberculosis.

## MARKET NEWS SERVICE FOR FARMERS AND DEALERS

(Prepared by Office of Publications, University Farm, St. Paul.)

Washington authorities announce that in co-operation with the bureau of markets and crop estimates of the United States Department of Agriculture, state organizations in Minnesota are combining to give farmers, dealers, and consumers there a comprehensive market news service.

The state department of agriculture and the federal bureau will assemble the information to be distributed, the college of engineering will transmit the news by radio telegraph and telephone from the university station, and the college of agriculture, through its extension service, will develop an organization for receiving the daily reports at country points and making them of practical value to shippers and others.

Federal leased wires will be used to transmit from the more important central markets to St. Paul and Minneapolis the daily market news on fruits, vegetables, poultry, dairy products, and livestock. This national news will be supplemented by local market news furnished by the state department of agriculture. The radio division of the college of engineering will provide licensed student operators to send the messages and will handle all technical problems arising in connection with radio operation. It will also give instruction regarding equipment most suitable for receiving the reports transmitted from the station.

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Pile on some branches before packing leaves over perennials for winter protection. Too tight packing starts fermentation and premature growth.

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Cut brush along tile-drain lines, so the roots of water-loving plants won't have a chance to grow down and clog the works.

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Income figures of 1,000 Ohio farms show grade and high school graduates making $502 and agricultural college men making $1,422 a year.

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It's never safe to feed bees honey unless it is diluted one-half and boiled 20 minutes in a closed vessel.

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Roosts in the poultry house should be 14 inches apart. Allow 8 inches of roosting space for each bird.

### Urges $1.62 Duty on Flour.

Washington—A duty of $1.62 a barrel on flour, which he and senators agreed would amount to an embargo, was asked of the Senate Finance committee by A. P. Husband of Chicago representing the Millers National federation. The rate proposed in the Fordney bills is $1. Mr. Husband said that the emergency tariff rate of 20 per cent ad valorem had not kept Canadian flour out of the American market, and that in the present condition of their industry the millers thought they were entitled to "protection."

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Boil green peppers for fifteen or twenty minutes before baking. They will not be tough and will bake more quickly.

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Coconut custard pie is excellent flavored with orange rind and served with crushed and sweetened strawberries.

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As often as possible cook vegetables with the skins on—they contain more nourishment and the best flavor is right under the skin.

## MANAGER KID GLEASON DOES NOT LIKE TO BE CALLED POP OR PA

Leader of the Chicago American League Team.

Kid Gleason, the fiery leader of the White Sox, doesn't like to be called "Pa" or "Pop." He resents it and the bird who calls him either one of those pet names had best be a block away when he addresses Gleason in a term of endearment that bespeaks the armchair and tottering age.

### Won't Stand for Pop.

"Now, listen here," Gleason said to one member of a party of friends who had gathered with him after a game of baseball. "You can call me anything except 'Pop' but I'm not going to stand for that."

Gleason, one of the quaintest figures in baseball, is livelier than ball players half his age, and the Sox boss is fifty-seven. The marvel is that he retains his vitality at his age and many an athlete of twenty-five has turned an envious eye upon the Kid in batting and fielding practice.

### Fun for Collins.

Nearly every time a trainload of White Sox players pulls out for another city Capt. Eddie Collins starts an uproar and a mad chase through a half-dozen coaches and Pullman cars by addressing Gleason as "Methuselah," "Grandpa" or "Old Grayhead." But it is noted that each time Collins calls out any of these terms he is a car length away and ready to run. For once Gleason catches the offender there is a rough and tumble, though playful battle, and Gleason is always on top when the skirmish ends.

## INTERESTING SPORT NOTES

Stanford University is expected to resume rowing in 1923.

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Paris will hold a big international trotting meet this winter.

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Nebraska has elected "Chick" Hartley, fullback, captain for the 1922 season.

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Penn has defeated Cornell in 23 out of 27 annual Thanksgiving day football games.

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California may be on the Illinois football schedule for a pair of games in 1922 and 1923.

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The Boston Red Sox have recalled two pitchers, Cliff Brest and Curtis Fullerton, from the minors.

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William C. Prout of the Boston A. A. has been elected president of the National A. A. U.

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Earl J. Thomson, Dartmouth's world champion hurdler, will coach the Green's freshmen track athletes.

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Some people may regret the passing of the football season, but there are a good many mothers who do not.

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Cornell boasts four fully equipped polo teams. Army officers instruct the student candidates in the equestrian sport.

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Rollie Williams, one of the flashiest backs ever turned out at Wisconsin, will lead the Badger football eleven in 1922.

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Don Peden of Kewanee, star of this year's Illinois university football team, has been elected captain of the team for 1922.

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An association of New England colleges has been formed to govern swimming, basket ball, boxing and wrestling.

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Penn will meet Yale in its annual dual varsity and freshman eight-oared shell rowing races on the Schuylkill Saturday, April 15.

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Ellery Huntington, head coach, has announced that he will not be a candidate for the instructorship of Colgate football another season.

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The Australian rugby football team will play a series of matches in Canada and possibly this country on their way home next spring.

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University of Pennsylvania will probably send a relay team to the first sports conducted by the Achilles A. C. of London in March.

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George Sawtelle, for the last two years baseball coach at Northwestern university, will leave the university to go into business in Texas.

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Fitts and Coburn, Harvard football players, will strengthen 1922 team by returning to varsity next year. The Crimson backfield is now intact.

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Albert Into, Yale tackle for two years, has been declared ineligible for next season because he has participated in football for three years.

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The Y. M. C. A. National Lawn Tennis association and other athletic organizations favor the organization of a national amateur athletic federation.

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Jess Willard, the former pugilistic champion, has recently made over $2,000,000 in oil. Now he will not have to whip anybody to get himself surrounded by admirers.

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Capt. Dodge of the Cornell team is one of the biggest men playing football in the east. He measures six feet six inches and weighs in the neighborhood of 220.

## FACTS ABOUT YALE BOWL

Here are some interesting facts about the Yale bowl.

There are 64,025 permanent seats; with temporary seats the total capacity is 70,657.

The bowl is 933 feet long and 744 feet wide, outside to outside. The playing field is 500 feet long and 300 feet wide.

It covers 12¼ acres and the distance around the outside is about a half mile.

There are about 23 miles of permanent seats.

The bowl has been so constructed that in the afternoon neither team has the sun in its eyes, an annoying fault on most fields.

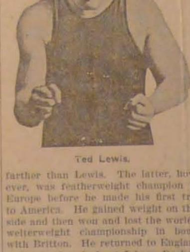
The bowl was constructed with half of its sloping side below the level of the outside ground. The playing field is 27 feet below, and the top of the stand 27 feet above the outside ground level.

## TED LEWIS IS GROWING FAST

British Boxer Has Progressed From Featherweight Champion to Light Heavyweight.

Ted ("Kid") Lewis, the British boxer who won the English light heavyweight title by defeating Boy McCormick, has become the Georges Carpentier of the British isles.

Carpentier started out as a bantamweight and won all the championships of Europe and has progressed a bit



Ted Lewis.

farther than Lewis. The latter, however, was featherweight champion of Europe before he made his first trip to America. He gained weight on this side and then won and lost the world's welterweight championship in bouts with Britton. He returned to England and twice knocked out Johnny Basham for welterweight honors of England.

## CHRONIC JUMPER WINS SUIT

David Jimmy Hickman Given Verdict of $12 Weekly Against Outlaw Club at Oil City.

David Jimmy Hickman, chronic baseball jumper, has won a suit against the Oil City (Pa.) outlaw club under the Pennsylvania workman's compensation law. He broke a leg or something at the opening of the season and Oil City dropped him from the pay roll. Under the verdict he is awarded $12 a week from May 17 to November 8.

### Orioles Select New Camp.

The Baltimore Internationals will train next spring at Winston-Salem, N. C.

### Chittick Named Captain.

C. Y. Chittick '22 has been elected captain of the Massachusetts Institute of technology track team.

### Chinese on Penn Team.

Sze Tsoong Chow, a chinaman, is among Penn's track athletes. He is a broad and high jumper of promise.

## ATTORNEY SURELY A WONDER

But Old Darky's Admiration Must Have Been Embarrassing Under the Circumstances.

In Alabama they tell of a prosecuting attorney who was so uniformly successful with his cases that he became both the terror of evil-doers in the vicinity and the admiration of all, especially the dusky portion of the population.

Upon his withdrawal from office he was at once sought out by those charged with crime. Much to his disgust, the first two cases that he defended resulted in the conviction of his clients. An aged darky, named Joe Clinton, who had watched his prosecutions with wonder and who looked on with equal amazement now he conducted the defense, met the attorney just after his second defeat.

"Mistah Cal," said the old chap, in awed tones, "yo' shore is a wonder. No matter which side you is on, they goes to the pen just the same."—Milwaukee Sentinel.

## DIFFERENT, OFF THE STAGE

Master Crook Had to Seek Ordinary Mortal to Perform What Would Seem Simple Task.

Dareham Drake, the world-famous film villain, had had a very busy day at the studios.

In the performance of part nineteen of "The Master Crook" he had deftly cut open with his electric saw five formidable safes, mastered swiftly the mysterious combinations of nine more, and with a nonchalant air had picked the lock of his prison cell.

And now, his day's work finished, he breathed a sigh of relief as he alighted from his car and reached the door of his flat.

It was locked.

Anxiously he searched every pocket of his clothes for the latchkey, but failed to unearth it.

"Here's a fix!" he groaned.

After another vain search the Master Crook walked around to the nearest locksmith's shop, flung a $20 bill into the counter and begged the unshaven man in charge to come and open his "blessed" door!

### No Offense.

Chairman Lasker of the shipping board said, in an interview:

"These men are taking needless offense. They were taking offense where none is intended.

"A tall, gaunt, vinegar-faced woman walked into Wawa station one day and said to the ticket agent:

"'Gimme a ticket for Chester Heights.'

"'Single?' asked the agent.

"The woman's eyes flashed steely sparks.

"'None o' yer darn business,' she hissed. 'Gost knows, though, I might have married a dozen times over if I'd been willin' to grubstake some shiftless, putty-faced monkey like yerself.'"

### The Court Understood.

"You admit you were speeding?"

"Yes, your honor."

"A frank confession goes a long way in this court. What excuse have you to offer for exceeding the speed limit?"

"A man in a little old rattletrap flivver drove up behind me and bawled to me to get out of the way and let somebody use the street who could get more out of one cylinder than I could get out of six."

"Umph! I do a little motoring myself. I'll let you off with the minimum fine this time."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

### Lost a Sale.

"I want," said the very plain girl, "a book entitled 'Cultivate Your Natural Beauty.'"

"Here it is," said the clerk, who wanted to be sociable. "Are you getting it for a friend?"

And the very plain girl put her purse back into her bag and went right out. —From the Retail Ledger, Philadelphia.

### Fine Eyes.

A young woman of Baltimore recently visited an old chum in Washington whose husband she had never met. "You told me," said the Baltimore girl one afternoon, "that your husband had such fine eyes; but really I haven't found it so."

"Haven't you?" said the other. "Just wait until the milliner's girl comes with my new hat and the bill."

### Her Only Chance.

Inconse—Does she dance badly?

Quential—Yes, if the chaperones aren't looking.—Pelican.

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No man who has an automobile needs a hobby to occupy his leisure time.

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Cheap philosophy is the kind that expresses itself in platitudes; but that is always time-tried and true.

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## SAW THING IN RIGHT LIGHT

Old Mose Taylor Undoubtedly Had the Situation Sized Up, but Who Got the Dime?

"At the end of a Georgia negro meeting," says an Atlanta man, "it was decided to take up a collection for charity. The chairman passed the hat himself. He dropped a dime in it for a nest-egg. Every right hand encountered that hat, and yet, at the end, when the chairman turned the hat over and shook it, not so much as his own contribution dropped out.

"'Fo' de land's sake!' he cried. 'I has even lost de dime I started with!'

"All the rows of dusky faces looked puzzled. Who was the lucky man? Finally the venerable Mose Taylor summed up the situation.

"'Gentlemen,' he said solemnly, rising from his seat, 'der pears to be a great moral lesson round heah somewheah!'"—Pittsburgh Dispatch.

### No Labor Saver.

A traveling man was eating in a stuffy little restaurant one very hot day where there were no screens at windows or doors. The proprietress herself waited on her customers and "shooed" flies from the table while doing so. Her energetic but vain efforts attracted the attention and roused the sympathy of the traveling man, who said:

"Wouldn't it be better to have your windows and the door screened?"

"Well, yes, I suppose that would help some," she replied, after a moment's reflection, "but don't you think it would look kinder lazylike?"—Harper's Magazine.

### 'N Ev'rything.

"My own!" he exclaimed, as they were starting on their wedding journey. "Does it make you happy to know that you are mine—all mine—forever?"

"Yes, it makes me awfully happy," she replied. "Now I can eat candy without being afraid of getting fat, and have a charge account and everything, can't I?"

### Did She Admit It?

"Well, remarked a gentleman, after a long argument on the question of man's superiority over woman, "at least there is one good, sweet and perfect thing which a man can have and a woman cannot."

"Never!" cried his wife, passionately. "Never! I deny it! What do you mean?"

"A wife."—The Scotsman.

### The Height of Deception.

"Why were you not suspicious of that thief who grabbed a tray of diamonds and darted out of the door?"

"He disarmed suspicion," said the jeweler.

"Yes?"

"He said he wanted to look at some engagement rings, and the fellow acted the part so well he actually stammered and turned red."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

### A Lesson to Him.

Rafferty bored ten feet into a mining claim and then abandoned it. Another took it up and at 11 feet struck gold. When Rafferty heard the news he exclaimed: "I'll never leave another claim until I've gone a foot further!"—Life.

### Real Dilemma.

Parker—What's wrong? You look worried.

Streeter—I am. I wrote two notes —one to my broker, asking him if he took me for a fool, and the other to Miss Golding, asking her if she would marry me. While I was out somebody telephoned "Yes," and I don't know which of them it was!"

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Everybody has his weak spot. No use passing laws to correct all the defects.

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Don't look for fruits on a tree that never bore a blossom.

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## Theatre Notes

Friday and Saturday, Dec. 23-24. Elaine Hammerstein in "Pleasure Seekers." A flat tire has made many a man swear and Craig Winchell was no saint—but this time he blessed the puncture that introduced him to the—the—well, THE girl—who, by the way, is Elaine Hammerstein, the Selznick star, and it all happens in "Pleasur Seekers" at the Family theatre, also a Pollard comedy, "At the Ringside."

Sunday and Monday. "The Courage of Marge O'Doone" a James Oliver Curwood story. The story begins on a transcontinental train snowbound on the edge of the arctic. A young man who has "lost himself", is runing away from the misery and tradgedy of a shattered romance. Then follows thrill on thrill, adventure topping on adventure in that vast white arena of the frozen north that breaks the hearts and sinews of men. It is a smashing story of surprise and suspense, of primitive men, beautiful, courageous women, fierce huskies and malemutes, a thrilling fight between two grizzly bears, a grueling battle between men for the possession of a woman, the flight with the girl, the last stand—and then a thundering climax beyond all anticipation. A masterpiece of fiction writing turned into a masterpiece picture play. Niles Welch and Pauline Starke have the leading roles. Seven reels and a comdy "Lines Busy."

Tuesday, Harry T. Morey in "The Sea Rider." A tale of the sea and the lives of fishermen, filled with romance ,adventure and thrilling spectacular scenes. A picture that is different from the average feature, and Antonio Moreno in "The Veiled Mystery.

Thursday, Earl Williams in "The Silver Car." A spectacular, melodramatic play, just jammed full of love, romance and adventure and thrills galore. Amateur night and Fox News.

**Milburn Lutheran Church Notes**

Services at the Milburn Lutheran church next Monday Dec. 26th at 1:30 p. m.

**Milburn Church Notes**

Services Christmas morning at 5:30. The Sunday school program will be given in the church at 7:30 Christmas evening. All are invited to attend.

**Lutheran Church Notes**

Saturday evening the 24th of December at 7:30 p. m. will be the children's program.

Sunday morning the 25th of December at 10:30 a. m. will be English services.

Sunday afternoon will be German services at 2 p. m.

**Catholic Church Notes**
Father Leo, pastor

Confessions will be heard at Pine City on Saturday evening from 7 until 9 and from 10 until 11 o'alock. Midnight mass at 12 o'clock sharp. Second mass Christmas morning at 11 o'clock. There will be no Sunday school this coming Sunday.

High mass at Beroun, next Sunday morning at 9 o'clock, and High mass Monday morning at 10 o'clock at Beroun.

**Methodist Church Notes**
James A. Orrock, pastor

Services for Sunday December the 25th. Morning hour. Sunday school at 10:00. Christmas sermon at 11:00. The pastor will preach. The Christmas program "Carrying Christ to every Child," will be given at 7:30, the hour of the evening service. One of the interesting features of this service will be that it will be a giving service instead of a receiving one. An offering for the suffering children of other lands and places will be made and all are urged to participate in this, and thus give to others something of our Christmas spirit.

Services will be held at Rock Creek Sunday afternoon at 2:30. The Christmas program will be given in the church Monday night. A suitable program is in course of preparation. Let us all make this a very happy Christmas, by sharing withothers our Christmas joys.

**Presbyterian Church Notes**
T. J. Buckton, pastor

Services will be held on Xmas day this year both morning and evening. At the morning service the pastor will preach on The Difference Christ has made. From the text:—"And Mary brought forth her first son; and she wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn." The words are very simple, but the hour of which they tell the story is the greatest since the world began. It is always a solemn moment when a little child is born into the world, always the coming of a little child makes a difference—a difference to the mother to the father, a difference to the home, as the child lives and grows, a difference in ever widening circles to others. But the coming of Mary's child meant a difference such as no other child's has ever made. Of all who looked that first Christmas night on the Babe of Bethlehem, there was not one—not Herod, nor wise men, nor the shepherds' nor Joseph, not even Mary herself—who so much dreamed of all that He was to bring to pass. Come and worship with us next Sunday and sing the old Xmas hymns and maybe you will find that Christ will make a great difference in your life. On Friday evening the Sunday school will have their Xmas party beginning at 7:30. The Boy Scouts have put up the Christmas tree and decorated, and now every boy and girl is urged to bring a small present to be put on the tree, bring them to the minister's house on Friday. Everyone is urged to not forget the starving children of Russia, bring your offering next Sunday morning you may save a life. The pastor wishes in these notes to convey his hearty Christmas greetings to all the readers, may you have a happy day next Sunday.

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**Citation for Hearing on Petition for Administration**

Estate of John M. Johnson, also known as J. M. Johnson.

State of Minnesota, County of Pine. } In Probate Court

In the Matter of the Estate of John M. Johnson also known as J. M. Jonhson Decedent.

The State of Minnesota, To all persons interested in the granting of administration of the estate of said decedent: The petition of Ida Johnson having been filed in, this Court, representing that John M. Johnson then a resident of the County of Pine, State of Minnesota, died intestate on the 13th day of May, 1919, and praying that letters of administraion of his estate be granted to Hjalmar Anderson, and the Court, having fixed the time and place for hearing said petition:

Therefore you, and each of you, are hereby cited and required to show cause, if any you have, before this Court at the Probate Court Rooms in the Court House, in the Village of Pine City, in the County of Pine, State of Minnesota, on the 16th day of January, 1922, at ten o'clock a. m., why said petition should not be granted.

Witness the Judge of said Court, and the Seal of said Court, this 16th day of December, 1921.

(Court Seal.) ROBERT WILCOX, Probate Judge.

(First Publication Dec. 15)

**Citation for Hearing on Final Account and for Distribution**

Estate of Frank Hlavek

State of Minnesota, county of Pine—in Probate Court.

In the Matter of the Estate of Frank Hlavek—Decedent.

The State of Minnesota to all persons interested in the final account distribution of the estate of said decedent: The representative of the above named decedent, having filed in this court his final account of the administration of the estate of said decedent together with his petition praying for the adjustment and allowance of said final account and for distribution of the residue of said estate to the persons thereunto entitled;

Therefore, You and Each of You, are hereby cited and required to show cause, if any you have, before this court at the Probate Court Rooms in the Court House, in the village of Pine City, in the county of Pine State of Minnesota, on the 9th day of January, 1922, at ten o'clock A. M., why said petition should not be granted.

Witness, The Judge of said court, and the Seal of said court, this 13th day of December, 1921.

ROBERT WILCOX, Probate Judge.
(Seal)
OTTOCAR SOBOTKA,
Attorney for Petitioner.

(First publication Dec. 20)

**Citation for Hearing on Petition for Determination of Descent of Land.**

Estate of Joseph Petschel

State of Minnesota, County of Pine—In Probate Court

In the Matter of the Estate of Joseph Petschel—Decedent

The State of Minnesota To all persons interested in the determination of the descent of the real estate of said decedent: The petition of Frank Petschel having been filed in this court, representing that said decedent died more than five years prior to the filing thereof, leaving certain real estate in said petition described, and that no will of decedent has been proved nor administration of his estate granted in this state, and praying that the descent of said real estate be determined by this court

Therefore You, and Each of You, are hereby cited and required to show cause, if any you have, before this court at the Probate Court Room in the Court House in the Village of Pine City, in the County of Pine, State of Minnesota, on the 9th day of January, 1922, at one o'clock P. M., why said petition should not be granted

Witness the Judge of said Court, and the seal thereof, this 10th day of December, 1921.

ROBERT WILCOX,
(Court Seal) Probate Judge.

(First Publication Dec. 15)

**SUMMONS ON APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF LAND.**

State of Minnesota, County of Pine—ss. District Court, Nineteenth Judicial District.

In the matter of the application of F. H. Welcome Company to register title to the following described real estate situated in Pine County, Minnesota, namely: The Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section One (1), Township Forty-one (41) North of Range Twenty-one (21) West of the 4th Principal Meridian.

Applicant.

vs.

Garrett Moore and all other persons or parties unknown, claiming any right, title, estate, lien or interest in the real estate described in the application herein.

Defendants.

The State of Minnesota to the above named Defendants:

You are hereby summoned and required to answer the application of the applicant in the above entitled proceeding and to file your answer to the said application in the office of the Clerk of said Court, in said County, within twenty days after the service of this summons upon you, exclusive of the day of such service; and, if you fail to answer the said application within the time aforesaid, the applicant in this proceeding will apply to the Court for the relief demanded therein.

Witness, A. W. Gunn, Clerk of said Court, and the seal thereof, at Pine City, in said County, this 12th day of July, A. D. 1921.

(Seal) A. W. GUNN, Clerk.
Attorney for Petitioner.
R. G. PATTON, Esq.
Northwestern Bank Building,
Minneapolis, Minn.

(First Publication Dec.22.)

**NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE.**

Whereas, default has been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage bearing date the 22nd day of March, 1913, made, executed and delivered by Albert Steffen and Ellen Steffen, his wife, of the County of Pine and State of Minnesota, as mortgagors, to Arnold Schwyzer, of the County of Ramsey and State of Minnesota, as mortgagee, upon the premises hereinafter more particularly described, which said mortgage was given to secure the payment of the sum of Five Hundred Dollars ($500.00), and interest thereon at the rate of seven per centum (7%) per annum, according to the terms and conditions of a certain promissory note, made and executed by said Albert Steffen and Ellen Steffen to said Arnold Schwyzer, and in said mortgage fully described; and which said mortgage was duly filed for record in the office of the Register of Deeds in and for the County of Pine and state of Minnesota on the 29th day of March, 1913, at 2 o'clock P. M., and was duly recorded in said office in Book 16 of Mortgages on Page 452; and

Whereas, said mortgagors have failed and refused to pay siad note in the sum of Five Hundred Dollars ($500.00), which is described in and secured by said mortgage and which became due and payable on the 22nd day of March, 1916, and have also failed and refused to pay the interest on said note since the 22nd day of March, 1914, and there is claimed to be due and is due on said note and mortgage at the date of this notice the sum of Five Hundred Dollars ($500.00) as principal, together with interest thereon at the rate of seven per centum (7%) per annum from the 22nd day of March, 1914, which interest at the date of this notice amounts to Two Hundred Sixty-nine and 79/100 Dollars ($269.79), and also the sum of Twenty-five Dollars ($25.00) attorney's fees, as provided for in said mortgage, and no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or in equity to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

Now, Therefore, Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided, the said mortgage will be foreclosed by the sale of the mortgaged premises at public auction by the Sheriff of said County of Pine to the highest bidder therefor for cash on Tuesday, the 14th day of February, 1922, at two o'clock and fifteen minutes in the afternoon at the front door of the Court House in the City of Pine City, in the County of Pine and State of Minnesota, to satisfy the amount which will then and there be due on said mortgage for principal and interest, together with the costs and charges of sale and said Twenty-five Dollars ($25.00) for attorney's fees said mortgaged premises so to be sold lying and being in the County of Pine and State of Minnesota and more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

The Southwest Quarter (SW¼) of Section Thirteen (13), in Township Forty-two (42) North, of Range Seventeen (17) West, according to the Government survey.

Dated December 15th, 1921.

ARNOLD SCHWYZER, Mortgagee.

WALTER E. KUNZE,
Attorney for said Mortgagee,
107 East Fourth Street,
Saint Paul, Minnesota.

(First Publication Dec.22.)

**SUMMONS.**

State of Minnesota, County of Pine. District Court, 19th Judicial District. Morris R. Brown,

Plaintiff,

vs.

William H. Gaslin, Frederick Little, Thatcher Blake, Edward L. Baker, George Wilkinson, James I. Dull, R. Carleton, Frederick H. Wolf, James J. Dull, also all other persons unknown claiming any right, title, estate, interest or lien in the real estate described in the complaint herein.

Defendants.

The State of Minnesota, to the Above Named Defendants:

You and each of you are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint of the plaintiff in the above entitled action, which complaint is on file in the office of the Clerk of said Court, at Pine City, Minnesota, and to serve a copy of your answer to said complaint on the subscriber, at his office at Pine City, Minnesota, within twenty days after the service of this summons upon you, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiff in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint, together with his costs and disbursements in said action.

S. G. L. ROGERTS,
Attorney for Plaintiff,
Pine City, Minn.

**LIS PENDENS.**

Notice is Hereby Given, That an action has been commenced and is now pending in the District Court of the County of Pine, State of Minnesota, by and between the same parties as in the summons immediately preceding this notice; that the object of said action is to determine the claim of defendants above named and all other persons unknown to some right, title, estate, interest or lien in the real estate hereinafter described adverse to the Plaintiff's title thereto; that the real estate involved in said action is situated in the County of Pine, State of Minnesota, and is described as follows: The Southwest quarter of Section Eight (8) and the East half of the Southeast quarter of Section Seven (7), all in Township Forty (40), Range Nineteen (19).

Dated December 12th, 1921.

S. G. L. ROBERTS,
Attorney for Plaintiff,
Pine City, Minn.

(First Publication Dec.22.)

**SUMMONS.**

State of Minnesota, County of Pine. District Court, 19th Judicial District. Frank M. Esferding and John Henry Esferding,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

James I. Dull, Thatcher Blake, Mary Jane Blake, Kate Blake, George W. Campbell, Thomas Foster, Nicholas Stahl, D. A. Montfort, Woodbury Fiske, Dan S. Balch and R. Carleton, also all other persons unknown claiming any right, title, estate, interest or lien in the real estate described in the complaint herein.

Defendants.

The State of Minnesota, to the Above Named Defendants:

You and each of you are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint of the plaintiffs in the above entitled action, which complaint is on file in the office of the Clerk of said Court, at Pine City, Minnesota, and to serve a copy of your answer to said complaint on the subscriber, at his office at Pine City, Minnesota, within twenty days after the service of this summons upon you, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiffs in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint, together with their costs and disbursements in said action.

S. G. L. ROBERTS,
Attorney for Plaintiff,
Pine City, Minn.

**LIS PENDENS.**

Notice is Hereby Given, That an action has been commenced and is now pending in the District Court of the County of Pine, State of Minnesota, by and between the same parties as in the summons immediately preceding this notice, that the object of said action is to determine the claim of the defendants above named and all other persons unknown to some right, title, estate, interest or lien in the real estate hereinafter described adverse to the plaintiff's title thereto, that the real estate involved in said action is situated in the County of Pine, State of Minnesota, and is described as follows: The Northwest quarter and the Southwest quarter of Section Seventeen (17), and the East half of the East half of Section Eighteen (18), all in Township Forty (40), Range Nineteen (19).

Dated December 12th, 1921.

S. G. L. ROBERTS,
Attorney for Plaintiffs,
Pine City, Minn.

(First Publication Dec.22.)

**NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE.**

Whereas, default has been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage bearing date the 22nd day of March, 1913, made, executed and delivered by Albert Steffen and Ellen Steffen, his wife, of the County of Pine and State of Minnesota, as mortgagors, to Arnold Schwyzer, of the County of Ramsey and State of Minnesota, as mortgagee, upon the premises hereinafter more particularly described, which said mortgage was given to secure the payment of the sum of Five Hundred Dollars ($500.00), and interest thereon at the rate of seven per centum (7%) per annum, according to the terms and conditions of a certain promissory note, made and executed by said Albert Steffen and Ellen Steffen to said Arnold Schwyzer, and in said mortgage fully described; and which said mortgage was duly filed for record in the office of the Register of Deeds in and for the County of Pine and State of Minnesota on the 29th day of March, 1913, at 2 o'clock P. M., and was duly recorded in said office in Book 16 of Mortgages on Page 452; and

Whereas, said mortgagors have failed and refused to pay said note in the sum of Five Hundred Dollars ($500.00), which is described in and secured by said mortgage and which became due and payable on the 22nd day of March, 1916, and have also failed and refused to pay the interest on said note since the 22nd day of March, 1914; and there is claimed to be due and is due on said note and mortgage at the date of this notice the sum of Five Hundred Dollars ($500.00) as principal, together with interest thereon at the rate of seven per centum (7%) per annum from the 22nd day of March, 1914, which interest at the date of this notice amounts to Two Hundred Sixty-nine and 79/100 ($269.79), and also the sum of Twenty-five Dollars ($25.00) attorney's fees, as provided for in said mortgage, and no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or in equity to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

Now, Therefore, Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided, the said mortgage will be foreclosed by the sale of the mortgaged premises at public auction by the Sheriff of said County of Pine to the highest bidder therefor for cash on Tuesday the 14th day of February, 1922, at two o'clock in the afternoon, at the front door of the Court House in the City of Pine City, in the County of Pine and State of Minnesota, to satisfy the amount which will then and there be due on said mortgage for principal and interest, together with the costs and charges of sale and said Twenty-five Dollars ($25.00) for attorney's fees, said mortgaged premises so to be sold lying and being in the County of Pine and State of Minnesota and more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

The Northwest Quarter (NW¼) of Section Twenty-four (24), in Township Forty-two (42) North, of Range Seventeen (17) West, according to the Government survey.

Dated December 15th, 1921.

ARNOLD SCHWYZER, Mortgagee.

WALTER E. KUNZE,
Attorney for said Mortgagee
107 East Fourth Street,
Saint Paul, Minnesota.


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But time enough to do a lot of buying. If you have not completed your list, or if you have overlooked anyone, come to my store and look over my stock. You will no doubt find just what you want for a last-minute gift of the serviceable kind.

Wishing all my Patrons and Friends
A Merry Christmas

**W. A. SAUSER**
Pine City, Minn.
BEST PLACE IN PINE COUNTY TO BUY HARDWARE AND MACHINERY

# Beroun News Department

The Pine Poker

THURSDAY, DEC. 22, 1921. LEONARD MACHART Corres.

## MERRY CHRISTMAS

Walter Peterson of St. Cloud is visiting at the Ned Hawkinson home.

Oscar Uglem and family will spend Christmas at the home of relatives at Milaca.

Miss Elva Guptil visited friends in Pine City, last Saturday.

Mr. Vacek and Mr. Sladky are busy hauling wood this week.

Mrs. John Chalupsky visited relatives in Pine City on Thursday and Friday of last week.

Joe Broz of Pine City visited at the home of his sister, Mrs. Gust Strohkirch, last Wednesday.

Miss Eva Henderson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Henderson, spent the week end visiting in Pine City.

Most of the stores have signified their intention of remaining closed next Monday, on account of Christmas coming on Sunday this year.

Miss Bessie Pavek arrived from St. Paul Monday and will spend the Christmas holidays at the home of her parents, the Anton Paveks.

Matt Nei accompanied Frank Hanson of Rush City, to Carlton, last Monday, on a business trip connected with the state highway department.

Emil Strohkirch and family were up from Braham for a visit at the Gust and Adolph Strohkirch homes last Sunday.

Miss Anna Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Miller of Meadow Lawn, arrived the first of the week for a visit with her parents.

Henry Stephan sr. has been on the sick list the past week suffering from an attack of pleurisy, and is improving at the present time.

Jim Hejny returned home from the Twin cities, last Friday, where he had spent a couple of days on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Matt Nei were pleasantly surprised by a few friends, last Wednesday evening. A very enjoyable evening was spent, playing cards.

Be sure to attend the Christmas program at the Beroun school Dist. No. 34, Friday, December 23.

William Guptil attended the Telephone Officer's meeting at Hinckley last Saturday.

J. B. Kuzel is busy fencing the ground being frozen very little. This seems rathe rodd bt wonders never cease in Minnesota.

The Beroun Methodist Sunday school will hold their Christmas program on Saturday evening of thi week.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Peterson and daughter went to the Twin cities, last Monday, where they will spend a few days on business and visiting with friends.

Mrs. Chas. Peterson entertained a number of ladies at a quilting bee, last Friday afternoon. Lunch was served and the evening was spent in playing whist.

A seven and a half pound boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Oldendahl, last Friday morning. The Poker joins in a welcome to the new arrival.

Mr. and Mrs. Pangrac, Plasek and Jos. Cerny spent Sunday evening at the Kadavy home. Lunch was served and the evening spent at cards and games.

Nels Koster of Forest Lake, who is connected with the Gedney Pickle Co., was a business caller in town Tuesday. He will be up next month and begin signing contracts for cucumbers for next year.

Joe Giand of Meadow Lawn is expected home the end of the week to spend Christmas with his family. He has been in the cities for some time, where he is receiving medical treatment.

Mrs. J. W. Holiday of Meadow Lawn shipped about 50 Christmas trees to a hospital in Minneapolis, last week, which will gladen the hearts of the sick folks there and spread the Christmas cheer.

The Beroun school Christmas program—Miss Williams teacher—will be held in the school house tomorrow—Friday—evening. Everyone is not only invited, but is urged to attend, and help the little folks celebrate.

George Brush from east of Pine City is visiting at the home of his uncle, Rudolph Bazil, and is having his car overhauled at the Hejny garage. He has just returned from the southern part of the state, where he had been husking corn.

Miss Jennie Novy leaves tomorrow for Hopkins where she will spend the Christmas holidays at the home of her father, and expects to spend the balance of the winter in the Twin cities. She has been staying at the home of her sister, Mrs. Jim Hejny, the past month or more.

Miss Agnes Chalupsky of Brook Park, John, who is attending school at Collegeville, and Miss Gertrude who is attending the teachers college at Duluth will all spend the Christmas holidays at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Chalupsky.

### Attention Farmers

The Beroun Shipping Association will have a carload of best No. 2 Minnesota grown corn at the Beroun station. Anyone wishing corn may place their order at the State Bank of Beroun. This corn will be sold at the cost price.—J. W. Plasek, Secretary. —adv.

Tanlac is made of roots, herbs and barks and contains no minerals or opiates. For sale at Prochaska's Pharmacy.

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**WM. H. BARNICK**
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Experienced, able and dependable service *anywhere*. See your banker, or phone or address
SANDSTONE, MINN.

## A Merry Christmas

The Merriest Christmas to you our friends, that it lies in our power to wish you.

And with it our heartiest thanks for your esteemed patronage.

Interstate Lumber Co,
Beroun, Minn.

## Beroun Cash Store

To my many Friends and Patrons who have made this a Happy Christmas for me, I Extend
THE SEASON'S GREETINGS
And wish you all

A Merry Christmas
and
A Happy New Year

I appreciate the patronage I have received, the short time I have been in Beroun, and will endeavor to serve you to the best of my ability in 1922.

BEROUN CASH STORE
BEROUN, MINN.

## Beroun Garage

Our Christmas Wishing

Friendly meetings, happy greetings,
In the good old-fashioned way;
Pleasures many, griefs not any,
We are wishing you today

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## NOTICE!

We will grind Rye and Buckweat during the week, commencing Dec. 19th

Pine City Milling Co.

## A Big Christmas Gift

For

**$1.00**

A Savings Account and a Liberty Bell Bank

But in this Gift is represented far more than just a savings pass book and a unique house safe. Future happiness, opportunities, independence--all the good things in life---are being offered the one to whom you present this gift. For whether one is destined to be a success or a failure in life depends on *whether they can save money.*

The Savings Account opened by you will give young friend a start on the road to Thrift. The Liberty Bell Bank will assist in building up this account aad be a constant reminder of the independence the owner is saving for. The Bell Bank comes in bright holiday attire, and makes a very attractive Christmas package.

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State Bank of Beroun
Beroun, Minnesota
SEE OUR WINDOW DISPLAY

(First publication Dec. 8)

**Order Limiting Time to File Claims and for Hearing Thereon**

State of Minnesota } ss. In Probate Court
County of Pine }
In the Matter of the Estate of
Christina Lind—Decedent.

Letters Testamentary this day having been granted to Anna Berglund,

It Is Ordered, That the time within which all creditors of the above named decedent may present claims against her estate in this Court, be, and the same hereby is, limited to three months from and after the date hereof; and that Monday, the 6th day of March, 1922, at ten o'clock a. m. in the Probate Court Room at the Court House at Pine City in said County, be and the same hereby is, fixed and appointed as the time and place for hearing upon and the examination, adjustment and allowance of such claims as shall be presented within the time aforesaid.

Let notice hereof be given by the publication of this order in the Pine Poker as provided by law.

Dated December 3rd, 1921.
ROBERT WILCOX,
(Court Seal) Judge of Probate.

(First Publication Dec. 8)

**Order Limiting Time to File Claims and for Hearing Thereon**

State of Minnesota, County of Pine—ss. In Probate Court.
In the Matter of the Estate of
Erick Selberg, also known as
E. Selberg—Decedent.

Letters of Administration this day having been granted to J. E. Selberg,

It is Ordered, That the time within which all creditors of the above named decedent may present claims against his estate in this court, be, and the same hereby is, limited to three months from and after the date hereof; and that Monday, the 6th day of March, 1922, at ten o'clock A. M. in the Probate Court Room, at the Court House at Pine City in said County, be and the same hereby is, fixed and appointed as the time and place for hearing upon and the examination, adjustment and allowance of such claims as shall be presented within the time aforesaid.

Let notice hereof be given by the publication of this order in The Pine Poker as provided by law.

Dated December 1st, 1921.
ROBERT WILCOX,
(Court Seal) Judge of Probate

(First Publication Dec. 8)

**Order For Hearing on Final Account of Guardian.**

State of Minnesota, County of Pine—ss. In Probate Court.
In the Matter of the Guardianship of Christina Lind, Ward.

The guardian of the above named ward, viz: Charles Nelson, having made and filed in this court his final account, together with his petition representing that said guardianship has terminated and praying that said account be examined, adjusted and allowed by this court, and that said guardian be discharged.

It is Ordered, That said petition be heard and said account be examined and adjusted by this court, at the Probate Court Room, in the Court House, in the village of Pine City, County of Pine, State of Minnesota, on the 3rd day of January, 1922, at ten o'clock A. M.; and that this order be served by the publication thereof in The Pine Poker, according to law.

Dated December 5th, 1921.
ROBERT WILCOX,
(Court Seal) Probate Judge.

(First publication Dec. 8)

**Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale**

Default having been made in the conditions of that certain mortgage duly executed and delivered by W. J. Eckleberry and Ella Eckleberry, his wife, to S. H. Taylor, bearing date the 20th day of January, 1919, and with a power of sale therein contained, duly recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds in and for the County of Pine and State of Minnesota on the 27th day of January, 1919, at eleven o'clock a. m., in Book 37 of Mortgages, on page 260, which said mortgage was thereafter duly assigned by an instrument in writing executed and delivered by the said S. H. Taylor to George R. Moore, bearing date the 28th day of February, 1919, and duly recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds of said Pine County on the 21st day of May, 1919, at one o'clock P. M., in Book 43 of Mortgages, on page 47, and which said mortgage was thereafter duly assigned by an instrument in writing executed and delivered by the said George R. Moore to the First National Bank of Elmore, Elmore, Minnesota, bearing date the 27th day of October, 1921, and duly recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds of said Pine County, on the 25th day of November, 1921, in Book 56 of Mortgages, on page 305.

And Whereas, Said default consists in the failure to pay the indebtedness secured by said mortgage and interest thereon from and after the 20th day of January, 1921, according to the terms and conditions thereof.

And Whereas, There is actually due and claimed to be due and payable at the date of this notice, the sum of Nine Hundred forty-six and 35-100 ($946.35).

And Whereas, Said power of sale has become operative and no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof.

Now, Therefore, Notice is Hereby Given, That by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided, the said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises described in and conveyed by said mortgage, to-wit: Those certain tracts of land lying and being in the County of Pine and State of Minnesota described as follows, viz: The Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter and the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section Thirty-two (32), in Township Forty-three (43), Range 22, in Township Forty-three (43), Range 22, in Township Forty-three (43), Range 22,

# Rock Creek News Department

The Pine Poker

THURSDAY, DEC. 22, 1921.

MRS. C. L. WALLACE, Corres.

Greetings

As friends exchange their greetings
true,
Accept this Christmas wish for you;
May joy and peace with you abide
Through all the happy Christmas Tide

ERICKSON BROTHERS
Rock Creek, Minn.

Christmas Greeting

We take this space
To wish you, in the good old way
A bright and Merry Christmas Day

A. & B. GARAGE
ANDERSON & BAKER, Props.
Rock Creek, - - Minnesota

Yuletide Greetings

We join with everybody else who knows you, in wishing you the Happiest Christmas of your life.

May He who clothes the lilies take care of us and help us to live useful lives until another Christmas shall have come.

Hartz & Johnson
Rock Creek, Minn.

## A JOYOUS CHRISTMAS

A lagre crowd attended the services held by Rev. Samuelson of Rush City, at the local church last Sunday evening.

The show, given by the Pickets last Friday evening, drew a fair crowd, and was enjoyed by all those present.

Barney Greenspan went to Duluth Tuesday of this week to spend the Christmas holidays with his family there.

The Christmas program to be given by the local Sunday school will be held at the church next Monday evening. All are invited to attend.

C. A. Allgood left for New Sharon, Iowa, last Friday to remain for some time at the home of his son Chas., for some time.

Dorothy Pepin came home Saturday to spend her Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Pepin.

Mrs. Walter Christian and son arrived Friday for a visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Pepin.

Chas. Lindstrom returned Saturday from a short visit in the Twin cities. Wm. Peterson accompanied him home.

Misses Josie Nys, Amelia Berglund and DeLila Ericson are expected home the latter part of this week to spend Christmas at the homes of their parents here.

The school children will hold their Christmas program in the Woodman hall on Friday evening of this week. Everyone is invited to enjoy the Christmas festival with the children.

The N. P. bridge crew are here this week, making repairs on the bridge just south of the station. The Company expects to put in a new bridge before long.

Miss Myrtle Barstow arrived from Duluth last Saturday, to spend the Christmas holidays at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Barstow.

Harry and Ray Mills left for the Twin cities, Monday morning, to spend a few days visiting.

The dance last Saturday was not very well attended which was due to the coldness of the weather.

Mr. S. Goldfine of St. Paul, shipped a car of stock to Duluth last Saturday.

Mr. Abertson of Shelberg, Iowa arrived last week for a visit at the C. M. Bucy home, east of town.

Mrs. C. W. Carlson and children of Moose Lake, arrived Monday for a visit with relatives in this vicinity.

Ethel, Margaret, Walter and Arthur Barstow of Watertown, S. Dak., arrived Tuesday to spend the Christmas holidays at the home of their grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Barstow.

Dr. Soderlund of Minneapolis was here Tuesday for consultation in regard to Fred Allgood who has been sick for the past five weeks. His many friends hope for e speedy recovery.

Mr. V. Handschu went to St. Paul Thursday of last week to see his wife who was operated on at the Midway hospital the first part of last week. She is getting along nicely and is expected home this week.

Jonas Strandberg arrived Monday from Fergus Falls, where he has been employed the past six months He expects to remain about a month before returning. Mrs. Strandberg and sister, Mabel Johnson are expected after the holidays for a visit. Joe made the trip over by car.

### West Rock Lutheran Notes

Swedish services will be held at the West Rock and Pine Grove Lutheran churches next Monday (2nd day Christmas.) Rev. Samuelson of Rush City will speak at West Rock and Rev. A. G. Hammerberg of North Branch will speak at the Maple Grove church. Services at both churches will begin at 10 a. m.

The men of the West Rock Lutheran church will hold an oyster supper at the church, Friday eve December 30th.

### Swedish Methodist Church Notes of West Rock

Early orning service—Julotta—on Christmas morning at 5:30 a.m.

The Christmas program of the Sunday school will be given Monday evening beginning at 7:30.

The ladies aid will meet next Wednesday Dec. 28 with Mrs. Joel Olson at 2 o'clock p. m.

You are most cordially invited to attend these services.

### Royalton Church Notes

Services at the Royalton Swedish Methodist church.

Christmas Day:

Christmas service at 11:00 a. m. The Sunday school Christmas program at 7:30 p. m. A most hearty invitation to all to attend.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

We are gratified today—as never before—for we feel that we have been in position to serve better the needs and demands of our patrons than ever before.
*We Wish You a Merry Christmas.*

ROCK CREEK CO-OPERATIVE CREAMERY

WIth Best Wishes for Christmas

May fortune fill your stocking with everything good, and put the best of it all in the toe. . . . . .

LEONARD McNEAL
ROCK CREEK, MINN.

A Merry Christmas to One and All

Though this space is small
And the words are few,
It's a Great Big Wish
That I'm sending you.

EVERETT AKINS
ROCK CREEK, MINN.

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50 gallon gasoline drums $1.75 each. Petschels garage.

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Bring in your old shoes. Will repair while you wait. All rrepairing guaranteed.—Samuel Hoffman Pine City.

### For Sale

For sale: Frame shingle roof garage, 10x20.—Inquire at Poker office

### NOTICE

Ship your produce to the Northern Produce Co., St. Paul, Minn.

### FOR SALE

Ford touring car in first class condition.—Rich Kowalke, Pine City

Will be ready to saw logs at our mill, next week. Bring s your logs —James Polk. Phone 1-F-110.

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Fence posts and pole wood.—Richard Lindstrom, Pine City Phone 4-F-110.

Hemstiching and picoting attachment works on any sewing machine easily adjhsted. Price $2.50 with full instructions. Oriental Novelty Co., Box 11, Corpus Christi, Texas.

### For Sale

A good team of work horses, wagon and harness for sale cheap if taken at once.—J. H. Stephenson, Pine City, Route No. 3.

### For Sale

5 young high-grade Shorthorn cows for sale, 3 reds and 2 roans. All to freshen soon or have calves by their sides. Cash or notes.—J. C. Hancocvk, Brook Park. 12-3

### Pickles for Sale

Dill pickles, sweet and sour pickles. Any quantity. Phone 14-F-5. I will deliver.—Adolph Sommers.

### For Sale

Completely equipped Ford touring car with starter, all new tires, 2 spare tires, at a bargain if taken before January 1st.—Chas Novak-2

### FOR SALE

Christmas trees at Parrish Boo Lbr. Co; Pipers Furniture Store; and Richards Hardware Store. by Albert V. Johnson

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Wanted, a farm close to R. R. town, with good improvements and immediate possession of same, for which I will trade any of the following: A fine residence property in good southern Minnesota town, Three quarter sections of Becker and Clear Water county lands improved, and a brik building in County seat town, 40 miles from St. Paul, suitable for a feed and flour store; or a restaurant and confectionery; or a general store. All clear of incumbrance.—Address L. B. Box 825, Fairmont, Minn

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SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE

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Christmas Salutation

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in messages from friends,
in warm hand clasps
in pleasant experiences,
in love from those dear to you.
And we thank you for helping this bank with your patronage.

Farmers State Bank
Rock Creek, Minn.

Merry Christmas

"Now comes Christmas Day, when the air is vibrant with good cheer. Good-will, like the glow of a sunset sky, spreads over the land, thrilling anew; and reflected from our hearts each ray becomes a golden thought bearing our good-will to you."

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Home of Good Lumber
Telephone 37F21 Rock Creek, Minn.

Xmas Greetings

Here's to Christmas! May it hold for you all that you hoped it would in joy, remembrances and friendship.

And may there be many other just such Merry Christmases in store for you.

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The Store It Will Pay You to Know.
ROCK CREEK, MINN.

A Merry Christmas

We are glad that today has come, for it gives us the opportunity to wish you---A Merry Christmas

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ROCK CREEK, MINN.

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After your book—an NR Tablet (a vegetable aperient) just before retiring—to make your sleep clear and refreshing. Keeps away Headaches, Constipation and Biliousness.

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| Roman Beauty Apples, the finest grown | $3.50 value per box | $2.75 |
| Olives—Large size jar of Queen Olives | 50c " " jar | 40c |
| Prunes—50-60 size, fresh, new stock | 15c " " pound | 9c |
| Corn Meal, 10 pound sacks | 50c " " sack | 28c |
| Buckwheat Flour—just what you have been looking for | 70c " " 10 lb sack | 45c |
| Fresh pack English Walnuts | 40c " " pound | 30c |
| French Cream Candy | 32c " " " | 22c |
| Chocolate Cream Candy | 30c " " " | 20c |
| Sugared Fruit Paste | 30c " " " | 18c |
| Combination Gum Drop—Cream Mixed | 28c " " " | 15c |
| One lot of ten different varieties of Fancy Candies, values from 30c to 35c per lb., very special, per lb. | | 18c |

### VEGETABLES

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| Onions | 8c value, per pound | 6c |
| Cabbage | 5c " " " | 2c |
| Carrots | 4c " " " | 2c |
| Rutabagas | 4c " " " | 2c |
| Potatoes | " bushel | 75c |

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A Full Line of Fruits, Nuts, Etc., for the Holidays, Priced Attractively Low

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# Local News

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Sobotka went to the Twin cities, last Friday noon, returning home Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. C. F. Thomas of St. Paul, was a visitor at the Robt. Wilcox home, last Saturday.

Royal Hunt will be home the latter part of this week, to spend Christmas with his family here.

Mr. and Mrs. Eric Larson and family will spend Christmas at the home of her folks at North Branch.

Henry Kurzhols of Brookings, S. D., is a caller in the village, visiting and on business.

Dr. and Mrs. Swensen of North Branch are exected to spend Christmas at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Wandel sr.

Miss Winnifred Daley is expected home from Worthington to spend Christmas at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Daley.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Carlson and children will spend Christmas at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Carlson of Rush City.

George E. Mottaz and Miss Mary Alice Voit of Frieslang were married by Judge Wilcox at the court house, last Monday morning.

Mrs. Hillman and Mamie St. Germain, left for Minneapolis, last Monday, where they will visit with relatives over Christmas.

J. A. Peterson spent the week end in the Twin cities. Mr. Peterson will spend Christmas at the home of his son, Elmer, in Chicago.

Miss Jessie Stephan arrived from Jamestown, N. D., where she is teaching, last Sunday, and will spend the holidays with her folks here.

School let out last Friday, for the Christmas holidays, and the children will have a vacation until the third of January. The teachers left for their several homes, last Friday afternoon.

Mabel Ehre and Katherine Christopherson left for Albee, S. D. last Saturday, where they will spend the holidays at the home of the former's parents. Hawley and Dorothy Christopherson left for Lime Springs, Ia., to spend their vacation witht relatives.

Miss Portia Huber was a caller in the Twin cities yesterday.

Lester Wilcox arrived from Macalester college yesterday, and will spend the holidays with his folks here.

Mrs. M. E. Brown and son, Miland left for Sleepy Eye, Minn., last Saturday, for a visit with relatives. They expect to be gone a couple of weeks or more.

Miss Carrie Boyle and brother, Lorille, arrived from Hamline U., yesterday, and will spend Christmas witht their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Boyle.

Miss Lucille Gottry arrived from Hamline U., yesterday, and will spend the holidays at thtte home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Gottry.

Miss Cecile Haley came up from St. Paul, where she is attending St. Katherine's college, last Sunday, and will spend the holidays at the home of her father, James Hurley.

The regular meeting of the Pythian Sister lodge will be held in the K. P. hall, next Monday evening, when officers for the coming year will be installed. All members are urged to be present.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Vojta arrived from Lewiston, Mont., last Saturday, for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Vojta, and other relatives. They expect to spend most of the winter here.

John Gray left for Virginia, last Saturday afternoon where he will spend a week visiting at the home of his brother, R. J. Gray. John's place as operator at the depot is being filled by H. L. Nichols of St. Paul, during his absence.

Mrs. Phil Silesky and Ralph left for Minneapolis this week, to spend Christmas and part of next week at the home of her parents there. Mr. Silesky leaves, Sunday, for Rice Lake and other Wisconsin points, for a few days trip.

Mrs. Erickson of Brainerd visited at thtte home of her sister, Mrs. Carl Holmberg, last Friday.

Dr. and Mrs. Sculley and baby leave for LeSeuer, today, where they will spend Christmas at thte home of her folks returning here Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray and children of Minneapolis, will spend Christmas at the home of her parents here, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Rybak. Mr. Murray expects to return to the city, the first of the week, while Mrs. Murray and children will remain for a week's visit.

Jos. Petschel, proprietor of Petschel's Garage, drove to the Twin cities today, going down on a business trip. Mr. Petschel informs us that he will have an expert automobile painter here, again this year, and already has a number of cars booked for repainting.

Walt Peterson drove up from St. Cloud, last week, for a visit with friends and attend to some business matters. Mr. Peterson has sold his interest in the creamery, which he purchased at St. Cloud, last spring. He states he has no definite plans for the future, but they will remain at St. Cloud for the present.

Rev. Buckton preached at the Presbyterian church at Hinckley on Wednesday evening of last week. Rev. Strait of Mora, and Rev. Simpson of Bruno were also present and assisted in the services. A church rally was held that evening, and a large crowd was out to take part in the evening program.

Rev. Buckton, local Scout Master, took the scout basket ball team to Hinckley, last Saturday evening, where they played the Hinckley scout team. The locals lost by a score of 27 to 7. Ed Therrien, Carl Holmberg, Howard Buirge, Harry Larson, and Lester Hagen comprise the local team.

Miss Helen Bede arrived from Mt. Vernon, Ia., last Saturday noon, and will remain at home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Adam Bede until after the holidays. She is attending Cornell college. Miss Retta Bede will be home from Keewatin the latter part of the week and Miss Lorena will arrive from Macalester today. Mr. Bede is out on a Chautauqua tour, and will be unable to get home for Christmas.


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# IN the PUBLIC EYE

## Reily and the Porto Ricans

E. Mont Reily, the new governor of Porto Rico, doesn't seem to have hit it off particularly well with the Porto Ricans. Anyway, when the Tanama arrived in New York the other day with Governor Reily aboard, she was on fire. Previous to the ship leaving San Juan Governor Reily received threatening letters from Porto Ricans. The officers were confident the fire had been started by Porto Ricans. There was a hostile crowd of Porto Ricans outside the pier in New York waiting to hook the governor. A police patrol was on hand.

Also, Senor Felix Cordova Davila, resident commissioner from Porto Rico, was instructed to ask President Harding to remove Governor Reily at once. Among specific charges against Governor Reily enumerated in the message to Senor Davila were the following:

He publicly declared himself leader of the insular Republican party and the "friend of the Socialist party."

Annulled the "moral power" of judges by announcing they would be removed if a decision was rendered "considered by the governor unjust."

## Princess Mary Is Betrothed

Announcement of the betrothal of Princess Mary, only daughter of King George of England, to Viscount Lascelles has apparently been received with joy by the British, though the prospective bridegroom is not by any means "royalty." Viscount Lascelles (Henry George Charles Lascelles) is the eldest son of the earl of Harewood, and is thirty-nine years of age. Princess Mary is twenty-four. The viscount, who was educated at Eton, was an attache at the British embassy in Rome from 1905 to 1907 and aide-de-camp to the governor general of Canada from 1907 to 1911, served with distinction in the European war. He was three times wounded and won the distinguished service order and the French croix de guerre.

Lord Lascelles's title of viscount is one of courtesy. In the eyes of the law he is a commoner, and will remain so until the death of his father, the fifth earl of Harewood, unless the sovereign chooses to bestow upon him a dukedom, by way of a wedding gift.

Princess Mary is a general favorite and appears to be what Americans call "a nice girl."

## "Better Elements" in Defeat

Frank X. Schwab (portrait herewith), elected mayor of Buffalo, N. Y., is a brewer under indictment for alleged violation of the federal prohibition laws. He featured his campaign by a promise that he would go to Washington in person and fight for modification of the Volstead act.

As everyone knows, John F. Hylan, tammany candidate, was re-elected mayor of New York by a landslide victory.

Fred Kohler, elected mayor of Cleveland, formerly was chief of the police department in that city and was dismissed by the civil service commission on charges of conduct unbecoming an officer. Mr. Kohler merely placed reliance on his personal popularity.

Lew Shank, who was elected mayor of Indianapolis by a plurality of 20,000, began life as a clog dancer and has returned to the vaudeville stage at intervals. His candidacy was opposed by all of the highbrow organizations in Indianapolis.

G. L. Oles, elected mayor of Youngstown, O., moved in from the country about three months before the election. The principal planks in his platform were: To permit spooning in the city parks, fire the police force, to abolish street cars and substitute busses.

## Hirohito Is Regent of Japan

The appointment of Crown Prince Hirohito as regent of the empire, is likely to be of tremendous importance to Japan, especially in view of his recent trip to Europe. He is the first crown prince of Japan in all the centuries to go abroad and he learned a lot on his travels. The Japanese people welcomed his return with tumultuous applause—and the police didn't even try to stop the applause, notwithstanding the fact that loud and reverence do not go together in Japan. Moreover, Hirohito has actually made public speeches since his return.

In fact, Japanese officials who were with him on his travels found him so democratic that it took their breaths away. He moved in crowds whenever he could. He learned bridge and taught it to his friends; took up golf, tennis and billiards. He even likes Occidental opera music.

The new regent and Count Chinda, who was educated at DePauw university, are believed to be liberal and peaceful influences in Japan.

## Camerlynck a Lingual Wizard

G. H. Camerlynck, the official interpreter of the arms limitation conference, is a lingual wizard and a continuing joy. For instance, Monsieur Camerlynck takes the French down in shorthand and then delivers it in English from his shorthand notes. He does the thing also in reverse and each process seemingly is equally easy. He also catches mannerisms and copies gestures—even supplies the latter. He translates and imitates, with equal ease the cheerful Mr. Hughes, the suave Mr. Balfour, the volatile Viviani, the Sphinx-like Admiral Kato or the bland Doctor Sze. After his experience here and at the Paris peace conference he should be able to make his everlasting fortune as an impersonator of the great.

He is also the busiest man at the sessions. The delegates have a chance to rest while he is translating. Incidentally, the expense for scratch pads is heavy. While Mr. Camerlynck holds the floor the delegates have fallen into the habit of drawing pictures in the most approved telephone booth style.

# HAPPENINGS IN GOPHER STATE

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Chisholm—Municipal Judge Samuel Cook, is dead here following illness of three weeks, Judge Cook was elected in 1919.

Spooner—Pricking a dynamite cap with a pin cost Tony Smith, 12 years old, his left hand, which was shattered when the cap exploded.

Slayton—Anand Ashand, 30, a farm laborer living 10 miles north of here, was severely injured about the hands and face while blasting logs.

Moorhead—James Hartman, a mechanic of Barnesville, charged by his wife with assault with intent to kill, was found guilty in county district court here.

Sleepy Eye—At a special election here a $40,000 school bond issue for the erection of an agricultural division of the high school was carried by a 2 to 1 vote.

St. Peter—Professor E. G. Svenson, field secretary for Gustavus Adolphus college, has tendered his resignation to the board of directors. No successor has been named.

Dundee—Robbers visited a local garage and made away with the entire stock of new automobile tires which had just been received. Nothing else was disturbed.

St. Peter—All former records were shattered at the second annual show of the Nicollet County Poultry association, at the St. Peter armory. The entries totaled 420 birds.

Rochester—Gerald Madden pleaded guilty in district court to the charge of appropriating approximately $900 to his own use while employed by the People's State bank here.

Fairmont—Seventy-six persons have paid $1 each for trappers licenses in this county. Some farmers have announced they intend to recoup their losses on grain by fur hunting.

Austin—Superintendent of Schools S. T. Nevelin announces that the facilities of the new $1,000,000 high school, especially the swimming pool and gymnasium, will be extended to the public at once.

Fergus Falls—The village council at Perham, this county, is going to supervise public dances, and has announced it will put a stop to the "informal grips and wiggles" that are now so popular.

Northfield—The various Protestant denominations in the state are urged to send representatives to the second annual Ministers' Convocation of Minnesota scheduled to be held at Carleton College, here, January 2, 3 and 4, next.

International Falls—Two years ago Milford Olson swallowed a shingel nail. The nail could not be located and the incident was forgotten until now, when he was seized with a fit of violent coughing and the nail came hurtling out of his mouth.

Red Wing—Bandits, who held up the cashier, assistant cashier and a customer in the Farmers State bank at Welch, 13 miles north of here, and got away with between $1,500 and $2,000 in cash, are believed to have made good their escape to St. Paul.

St. Paul—A. M. Cleland, general passenger traffic manager of the Northern Pacific railroad, will retire within the next month, it was made known. For 20 years, Mr. Cleland has been one of the best known figures in Twin City railroad circles.

Duluth—Drifting helplessly about in Superior bay on a cake of ice, a 12 year old schoolboy was rescued by the coast guard. After being taken ashore in a small rowboat, the boy told his rescuers he was playing on the shore ice when the cake broke away.

St. Paul—An automobile which has used the public highways or which is equipped to use the public highways is subject to the motor vehicle tax, even though it is stored throughout the year and is not operated, Attorney General Clifford L. Hilton ruled.

International Falls—Forced to leave the track because of an approaching train while walking across the Rainy river bridge, Emil Strand of Fort Francis, Ont., fell into the river and drowned. His brother, John, clung to the railing until the train passed.

St. Paul—The $5,000,000 National Dairy show in 1922 and the World's Dairy Congress and the National Dairy show in 1923 will come to the Twin Cities and be staged at the Minnesota State Fair grounds, former State Senator J. M. Hackney predicted following a telephone conversation with W. E. Skinner, secretary of the National Dairy Association in Chicago.

St. Paul—The population of the 17 state institutions under the State Board of Control of Minnesota increased by 653 persons from December 1, 1920, to December 1, 1921, Downer Mullen, secretary of the State Board of Control announced. The greatest increase for the year was in the insane hospital, with a gain of 275 persons. The total population as of December 1, 1921, was 11,395 as compared with 10,903 a year ago. The second largest increase was in criminal institutions, which increased by 198. There were decreases in the numbers of blind and delinquents.

St. Paul—The Minnesota state supreme court affirmed a verdict for Harold Carlson, a Great Northern brakeman, for $45,000, the largest verdict for personal injuries that has ever been passed on by the Minnesota supreme court. Carlson was injured in October, 1919, when he lost both arms and suffered internal injuries.

Pelican Rapids—Santa Claus is going to have three additional little stockings to fill this Christmas, when he calls at the home of Mr. and Mrs Nick Johnson, who live a few miles south of here. The stork visited the Johnson home and left triplets—all girls.

Duluth—A new American Legion post, No. 463, has been organized here to be known as Edwin Holt post.

Fairmont—Incorporation of the Fairmont Hotel company, with a capital stock of $50,000 is announced here.

Marshall—Will Banford, a farmer, had one of his hands severed at the wrist while working with a corn picking machine.

Virginia—Carlo Gobatz, charged with arson, was found not guilty by a jury in district court after five hours deliberation.

Fergus Falls—Turkey bandits have been doing a big business in this neighborhood, having robbed a dozen farms in the last week.

Virginia—A fight for lower freight rates has been inaugurated by the Virginia Merchants, Wholesalers and Manufacturers association.

Freeburn—By a vote of 192 to 92 this village decided to issue bonds to the amount of $75,000 for the erection of a modern school building.

Solway—Solway lodge of Odd Fellows dedicated their new hall with appropriate ceremonies. Bemidji and other towns sent large delegations.

Minneapolis—Captain George H. Mallon is to receive an additional war honor, the Italian war cross, according to an announcement from the Italian embassy in Washington.

Jackson—Judge E. C. Dean, in district court here, denied citizenship to four applicants because they had claimed exemption in the war on the ground that they were aliens.

Owatonna—Henry Hanson, 67 years old, wealthy and prominent farmer living 12 miles south of here, committed suicide by hanging. Despondency is believed to have been the cause.

Tracy—A corn show is to be conducted here Dec 26 to 30. Exhibits will be received from residents of Lyon, Redwood and Murray counties, and $2,500 in prizes will be offered.

Jackson—Vernon Peterson, 17 years old, convicted of manslaughter, was sentenced to an indeterminate sentence in the St. Cloud reformatory by Judge E. C. Dean in district court here.

Duluth—Robert Finkelstein, 3 years old, died in a local hospital from injuries received when struck by a heavy truck, which skidded on the snow covered street and leaped to the sidewalk.

St. Cloud—Rt. Rev. Barnard Richter, formerly pastor of the cathedral at St. Cloud, but since 1894, rector of St. Boniface at Melrose, the largest Catholic church in Stearns county, died at the age of 53.

Red Wing—One man was killed and three others injured, one probably fatally, in a head on collision between a special freight and a switch engine just outside the switching yard here on the Great Western railway.

Ivanhoe—The merchants of Ivanhoe have decided to take the corn held by the farmers at a premium of 10 cents a bushel up to Jan. 15. The farmers will receive credit on old or new accounts for all corn they bring.

Gilbert—At a special election here to vote on the question of separating the village from the town of Misabe and on the issuing of $200,000 bonds to take up the village indebtedness, both propositions were carried.

International Falls—Selby Vance was arrested here by Sheriff Hugh Van Etten charged with passing worthless checks. He is also alleged to have raised two checks, one from 90 cents to $90 and one from $10 to $100.

Moorhead — Mary Hartman of Barnesville, whose husband, James Hartman, was convicted in the Clay county district court of trying to kill his wife with a hammer on June 7, has instituted proceedings for a divorce.

Fergus Falls—A wolf chase across Citherall lake in an automobile led Oscar Anderson to his death when the machine he and three other companions were riding in plunged through thin ice and sank in 100 feet of water.

Virginia—This city will raise $50,000 on certificates of indebtedness bearing six per cent interest to be used in relieving the unemployment situation here. Already over 100 men have been given employment on municipal work.

Hibbing — Committees have been named to frame the various sections of the proposed new charter for Hibbing and it is now assured that the charter will be ready for presentation to the voters in March, when the municipal election is held.

Sauk Center—The meeting of the Northern Minnesota Editorial association will be conducted here Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, Jan. 26, 27 and 28. It is expected that 75 members of the association will be present and a number of prominent speakers will be heard.

Gilbert—Northern Minnesota witnessed its first organized protest against the 18th amendment here when citizens of 22 towns in the eighth congressional district met in mass meeting. Senator Mike Boylan was named chairman for the eighth district of the Minnesota Sanity league and W. D. Hayes was named secretary. Both live in Virginia. Horace G. Whitmore of Minneapolis, state chairman of the league, addressed the meeting. He announced that meetings will be conducted in every town of the district next month when voters will be enrolled to carry on the fight.

Laverne—Arrangements are being made to get a vote by the farmers of Rock county on the reduction of the 1922 corn crop in order to obtain a better price for the product in the future. Questionnaires will be sent them and their answers will govern next year's crop.

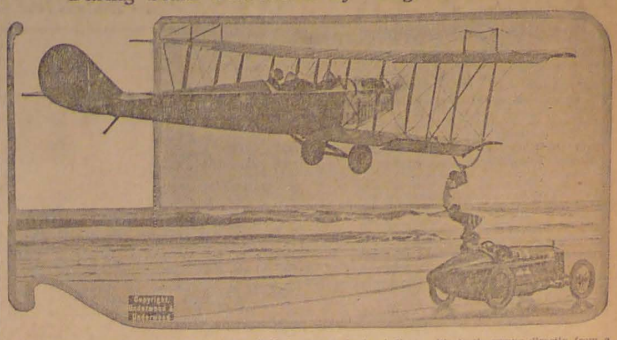
Hibbing—A temporary restraining order, preventing the Village of Hibbing, the Warren Iron Mining company and the Oliver Iron Mining company from proceeding with plans for the dismantling of the city hall was issued by Judge Edward Freeman, in district court at Virginia.

Red Wing—Andrew M. Dahl, a pioneer stone mason of this city and a resident for almost 60 years, died here at the age of 77. Death was due to heart disease.

Hibbing—Con Kepple, who has been directing the sale of Irish bonds here, says that $10,000 of the bonds have been disposed of, and asserts they are now at a premium, locally.

Northfield — The first collegiate "Woodrow Wilson" club in Minnesota was organized at St. Olaf college Friday. Clubs have been formed in about 60 colleges, including Yale, Harvard and Princeton.

## Daring Stunt Performed by "Bugs" McGowan



No ladder was used in this trick, but "Bugs" McGowan, professional flirter with death, swung directly from a racing auto, driven by Sig Haugdahl, to the wing of a low-swooping airplane—all at high speed. This was done on the fair ground racetrack at Pablo beach, Cal. The plane was going 60 miles an hour when it flusted down so close that Haugdahl had to "duck" to escape being scalped by the landing gear, and "Bugs" dove from the mechanician's seat and gripped the wing skid, from which he swung up to the lower wing of the tiny biplane.

## Japan's Most Famous Theater Is Burned Down

Scene during the fire which wrecked Tokyo's leading theater, the most famous in Japan, recently. Note the old Japanese "props" which were moved out into the street when the blaze started.

## COBLENZ TRAFFIC COP

Among the peaceful pursuits of the American soldiers in the army of occupation in Germany is that of directing traffic in Coblenz. This doughboy looks capable of handling the job.

## DAUGHTER OF NILSSON?

Mrs. Sadie Murray of Lynn, Mass., claims that she is the deserted daughter of Christine Nilsson, the famous Swedish singer who died recently. She says Christine abandoned her as an infant in Worcester, Mass., where she was born, in 1881, and that she is more interested in legally establishing her identity than in getting a share of the large fortune left by the singer.

### Qualities.

It is not enough to have great qualities, we must also have the management of them.—Rochefoucauld.

### Some Good in All Humanity.

It is only when we trust people a little that they are able to deceive us; a man must be very bad before he deceives anyone who implicitly believes in him; and a woman, however bad she may be, is incapable of doing it at all.—Exchange.

### Interesting Calculation.

It is estimated that if a single grain of electrons (a pea weighs a grain) could be isolated at the South pole, they would repel each other with a force of 112,000,000 tons.

## Garibaldi's Widow Beside His Tomb

Donna Francesco Garibaldi, widow of the great Italian hero, is shown standing by his tomb at Caprera, Sardinia. Donna Francesco is now seventy-nine years of age. She was Garibaldi's second wife.

## Interesting Visitors From China

Mrs. G. T. Chao, wife of the director of the Chinese educational mission to the United States, with her two children, Merry May and Y. William Chao, photographed outside their hotel in Washington.

## CONDENSATIONS

Denver operates parks outside of the city limits.

People have been resuscitated after being under water as long as 40 minutes.

The average English woman is two inches taller than the average American woman.

A geological survey has shown the probable area of Canadian oil fields as 300,000 square miles.

In Florence, Italy, when the high cost of shoes leaped more than 100 per cent the girls there turned cobblers for themselves and made their own shoes.

Joseph Bonaparte, who was forced on the throne of Spain by his ambitious brother, Napoleon I, lived in the United States, near Bordentown, N. J., for sixteen years.

Mrs. H. Van Buren Magonigle, president of the National Association of Women Painters and Sculptors of America, is one of the three women members of the National Society of Mural Painters.

The French have built 10,000 miles of road in Algeria.

The threads of Japanese screws run the opposite way to ours.

The canal connecting Lake Pontchartrain with the Mississippi river cost $25,000,000.

New Zealand has 85,000 telephones in use, an average of one to every 16 inhabitants.

Coal beds which have been found near the South pole show that at one time the climate there was mild.

Sixty-nine per cent of the justices of the supreme court of the United States have been college graduates.

Fifteen states in the Union offer aid to former service men in the form of vocational education, and in California a bill has been adopted providing for vocational education of veterans' dependents.

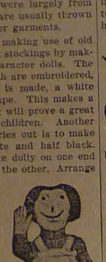
Instead of destroying cigars and cigarettes seized by the government for tax delinquency, it is proposed in Washington to turn over the supply to hospitals in which disabled soldiers are quartered.

# Home-Made Toys

ANYONE who has priced toys will realize that a very great saving is possible in making toys at home. For instance, from scraps that have accumulated one can make animal toys, as rabbits, dogs, cats, bears, elephants, as well as many of the character dolls that will prove to be a perfect delight to small children.

Patterns can easily be procured for making animal and doll toys from any place where patterns are sold. One clever mother went even farther by making "bunny," "cat" and "bow-wow" slippers for the youngsters that are a never ending source of pleasure. She outlined the face of a bunny, cat, or dog in black; made ears and fastened them on with buttonhole stitch, and used tiny shoe buttons for the eyes. The scraps she used in making the slippers and many of the animal toys were largely from odds and ends that are usually thrown away in making over garments.

A grandmother is making use of old black and white silk stockings by making them up into character dolls. The eyes, nose and mouth are embroidered, a gay calico dress is made, a white apron, and a red cape. This makes a typical mammy that will prove a great favorite with the children. Another idea which she carries out is to make the body half white and half black. That is, put a white dolly on one end and a black one on the other. Arrange the clothes in the middle of the body and make them suited to each character. As a suggestion, make a Dinah for the black part, so that when the black head is up the doll will be a pickaninny, and so that when the white head is exposed it will be a white dolly. A black stocking may be unraveled to furnish kinky hair.



One can also make small dolls out of odd scraps of ribbons, velies and silk combined with clothes pins. Paint the faces on the head of the clothes pin with ink or water color.

Rag dolls are perhaps the most beloved by small children. Any little girl would love to have a "Raggedy Ann," for her very own. "Raggedy" is manufactured from unbleached muslin, stuffed with cotton; her features, hair and shoes painted on with water colors. She is especially proud of her feet, because they so closely resemble Charlie Chaplin's. Her eyes may look large and glaring, but even if they are two large shoe buttons, they are always full of love for her small owner. In making "Raggedy" be sure to stuff her neck, hands and feet full of cotton, so that she will not become limp and discouraged looking.

It is also possible to make a doll house and doll furniture that will be a delight to little girls. Get a box of suitable size and put partitions in it. Two rooms above and two below is the ideal arrangement. Scraps of wall paper can be used for covering the walls and small rugs can be made for the floors. These may be knit or crocheted out of rags, torn fine. The outside of the house can be painted some soft color. It should have three coats of paint to look well. The first coat should be a priming coat. For this use the same paint and color as for the final coats, only thin it down with turpentine; three pints to one gallon of paint is the proper proportions. After this has dried shellac all knots and sap spots. Then give it a coat of paint. If this looks well, another coat will not be necessary. If enamel is used for the work, apply a coat of flat paint first.

One can also use plain wall paper on the outside instead of paint, using narrow strips of a harmonizing color for the trimming. Often samples of wall paper can be used to advantage in the decoration of the interior and exterior of a doll house.

Doll furniture may be made from the thin boards that come in boxes. After it is made, enamel it to make it more attractive. Remember that one must always apply flat paint before the enamel. One mother who made her little girl a lot of doll furniture used odds and ends of gay cretonne instead of paint for covering it. Small cushions may be made of cretonne to fit in the little chairs or settees. One mother made a little sun parlor in the house and pieced a tiny, swinging seat in it.

Compo board can also be used in making doll houses. It is light and one can easily use wall paper on both the inside and outside. Doll furniture may also be produced from it. Fathers will find it possible to make toy wagons, sleds and airplanes that will give a great deal of delight to the little boys. A grocery store can be made from a box that will prove to be a never failing source of pleasure, for all children love to play at "keeping store" and selling things.

Many things can thus be fashioned which will be durable, washable, unbreakable and will all make Christmas presents for the children that will delight them fully as much as the store toys.—M. Palmer in Successful Farming.

## Who's Dolly Is You?

AND," Gregory Morse added, "as I've always said, I think people should be honest with each other before marriage. I don't approve of divorce—curious thing to be speaking of on the very evening I'm asking you to marry me, but it has a bearing on the subject. No," he emphasized, "I don't approve of divorce. Of course there are very extenuating circumstances at times. But I think most of them could be avoided if people talked openly and candidly before they were married."

He told her then that he cared for children, that they would mean a great deal to him.

She felt herself growing more and more tense. The whole of her ached for him. Yes, she had waited all her life for him, never mistaking in any of the others, the substitute for the real.

"I feel as you do," she said softly. "I love children!"

And she spoke the truth. But yet a truth that was only half a truth.

They were married, in the little village church on Christmas Eve, and when later the carols pealed forth they felt as though even the carols were for their happiness alone!

They had been married several years. Closer and closer had they grown together. How glad she was that she had waited until she was sure she loved. She had had so many proposals, and there were girls who had had so few. She had often thought of the girl to whom the simplest of pleasures had come as a complete and magnificent joy. This girl had had no attentions, her life had been almost manless. At last came a man into her life, very slowly, very unemotionally, but each slow step along the way was one which thrilled her and which mounted up to huge and great proportions. It had to be a great deal to rouse Marjorie but Gregory had roused her—fully.

She had always kept her fresh charm and her appeal though she had left youth behind. Her skin was smooth, her color good, her eyes dark and lustrous and her hair had no traces of gray.

But during this time no children had come to them. Gregory now didn't seem to care whether they came or not. He was quite content with her.

"People change their ideas after they marry if they really love the woman they marry," he used to tell her. "Before they have theories. Now if children came, all well and good. But I couldn't be any happier than I am now."

She knew he spoke the truth. She knew it. He was even jealous of her eagerness for children. Was this what it meant to marry, he some times asked himself. Did people forget about each other and sink their hopes and aspirations and ambitions and emotions and dreams into the coming of another generation when they had sworn and believed before God and man that they would only love each other. Did they love each other so little? Did they care only for the sake of the family? It couldn't be.

"I Feel as You Do."

That was too cold a belief.

Another year passed and they began growing apart. Marjorie had become restless, unhappy. Was it because of children? Gregory asked himself. Couldn't she have been happy with him? Was his marriage to be a disillusion?

But one evening she came to him.

"Gregory," she said, "I have so much to tell you. Let me begin from the beginning. I've been going to tell you this so many times.

"When I married you I lied to you. Now, don't interrupt me, dear. Yes, I lied about my age. I loved you. I was afraid if I told you that perhaps I was too old to have children that you wouldn't—marry me—that I would lose you. And I couldn't lose you. Don't you see it was because I loved you so that I lied to you?" she cried. "I loved you so," she repeated.

"My darling, I'm so relieved," he said. "All I care about is that you love me."

"I know that," she told him. "But the heritage of my life has been punishing me. Even though I know you don't think now that children make any difference I know I cheated you, whom of all others I cared most for."

"Marjorie, Marjorie dear," he caressed her, "I am so relieved that I know now what has been worrying you. I was afraid you had ceased to love me."

"It was never that, it was never that," she said.

"You see, Marjorie," he went on, "if at first you had told me you were to have a child I would have been delighted—it would have seemed the conventional idea of the completion of married life which I had pictured in my mind. Afterward I realized that the most important of all was that I had you and loved you and that you loved me.

"Lately I've become very jealous of your desire for children because I though I didn't count so much. How dreadfully we've groped in the dark even though we have been so close together."

She was happy then as she hadn't been before, happy in the love that he now gave her, the love for which she had braved a lie.

And even as he held her close she thought of it—and life—so full of perplexing moral issues. Had she not lied to him would she have fulfilled

"And It's to Be an Anniversary Child."

their own happy destinies? Would they have not rather gone their separate ways, yet two more unhappy mortals whose lives were but a makeshift?

Yet she had lied and in that lie she had cheated him, the one whom of all others she had cared most for she had cheated most completely. Perhaps he didn't care for children now. Perhaps he would never think of them again. Perhaps, oh perhaps, a hundred conjectures!

But clearly standing above the others were these two issues—she had lied to win him and because of that we she had cheated and played false to the one she loved.

A lie is a vigorous parent, imbuing its offspring with its ever powerful blood of doubt and worry. Always, she felt, she would think from time to time that she had cheated him, and that in the deep recesses of her mind he would feel her love had been a very frail and weak thing.

Yet she and again reverted to her mind the knowledge that had it not been for the lie when she had spoken it Gregory and she would never have been happy.

And these doubts and worried thoughts were the heritage of a lie such as hers had been.

It seemed like a miracle. She had given up all hope. Still at times the lie she had told in the first place of all haunted her, because she felt she had cheated Gregory. He never referred to it. He seemed radiantly happy. But she had worried.

And then some time after she had told him, she knew. She was glad she had told him. She was glad that he knew her weaknesses and faults and all. Her happiness over the coming child was so much greater because she had told him.

"And it's to be an anniversary child," the Christmas carols were pealing forth when a small boy opened his eyes upon the world, so new to him.

"I'm sorry it's not a girl so we can call her Marjorie," Gregory smiled.

"I'm delighted it's a boy and that we can name him Gregory," Marjorie whispered.

"Merry Christmas," Gregory said, a little later. The clock just struck twelve.

"Merry Christmas," Marjorie answered.

And the small boy gave a shrill little cry.

"That's his way of saying 'Merry Christmas,'" Marjorie added.

"I'm delighted to have it explained to me," her husband chuckled.

# Origin of Christmas

### FIRST CELEBRATION WAS HELD IN THE YEAR 98.

**Forty Years Later Before It Was Officially Adopted as Christian Festival.**

CHRISTMAS was first celebrated in the year 98, observes a writer, but it was 40 years later before it was officially adopted as a Christian festival; nor was it until about the Fifth century that the day of its celebration became permanently fixed on December 25. Up to that time it had been irregularly observed at various times of the year—in December, in April and in May, but most frequently in January.

In Rome the Saturnalia, or feast of Saturn, fell at about the same time as our Christmas, and it marked the greatest festival of the Roman year. The city abandoned itself to gayety. Universal mirth was the order of the day; friends feasted friends, and foes were reconciled. All social distinctions were laid aside. Work was stopped, and no war was ever entered upon at that time.

One by one other legends and customs have been disproved and overthrown, yet none has dared attack the legends and the customs sacred to Christmastide. It remains with us, and will it always remain. Christmas marks the winter solstice. The days begin to lengthen, and the sun no longer journeys away from the earth, but enters upon its return. It is a promise of renewed light and warmth, of the approach of summer, and men hailed these signs with every expression of gladness.

When Christianity spread abroad, men adapted the old customs of their ancestors to the new order of things.

The word Yuletide, used to give a picturesque, oldtime flavor to the Christmas idea, comes from Yule, an old name for Christmas. The term springs from an English word used to designate the two months of December and January, one of which was called the "former Yule," the other the "after Yule." There is a legend which relates that it was the custom years ago for every Saxon household to burn the Yule log on Christmas eve. This was a great gnarled root or tree trunk, cut the day before Christmas and brought into the hall on Christmas eve with great ceremony and accompanied by music. Each member of the household would sing a Yule song, standing on the center of the log.

In Germany and other European countries it was believed by the children that the Christmas tree glittering with candles and brightness, and the gifts found beneath the tree, were the work of jolly old St. Nicholas, or Santa Claus, as we know him. This kindly saint was no legendary character. He lived about 200 A. D., and was a noted bishop of Asia Minor. He was looked upon as a patron saint of generosity because of his liberality. The idea of St. Nicholas traveling in a sleigh drawn by reindeer originated in the cold northern countries. The reindeer were the swiftest animals known, and they must needs fly like the wind to carry St. Nick the rounds of the world in one night.

Almost as important as the gift giving and gift receiving on Christmas day is the feast of dainties spread on that occasion. But even the Christmas dinner has its origin in the dim, distant past. Feasts were always the accompaniment of any festival. In Egypt, at the winter solstice, every family killed and ate a goose as a religious observance. We preserve the custom of eating fowl on Christmas, but the toothsome turkey has more generally supplanted the goose.

## SONG OF THE RAILS AT CHRISTMAS

WHEN I'm going home at Christmas
There's a jolly sort of music
In the singing and the ringing
Of the rails beneath the train,
As the whizzing wheels go grinding
Up the long track, stretching, winding
Out the shortening miles of distance,
To a wild refrain!

Clangaranga! clangaranga!
Going home again for Christmas!
Clangaranga! clangaranga!
And the folks a-waiting there!
Oh, the hearts and houses open
To receive me . . . and a maiden,
With the darkest eyes, descending
Down the wide hall stair.

Clackaracka! Clackaracka!
They are coming home for Christmas!
Clackaracka! They are coming
From the East and North and South!
Home again to Christmas dinner,
To the great bowl, white and foamy,
And a suckling pig, well-roasted,
With an apple in his mouth!

Clackaracka! Clackaracka!
Sing the rails! At home for Christmas!
There is mistletoe and holly,
There is laughter everywhere.
Chuckaracka! I am dreaming
Of a dark-eyed maid descending,
With a merry sort of shyness,
Down the wide hall stair!

—Quarrier Rickers, in N. Y. Times.

## CANDY MADE AT HOME

### HOW TO PREPARE SWEETMEATS FOR CHRISTMAS.

**Box of Dainties Sure to Make One of the Most Appreciated Yuletide Presents.**

A BOX of home-made candies is a welcome gift much appreciated at Christmas. There is an art in preparing such a box for one's friends and the end gained is worth the trouble.

Candy boxes of any desired size can be purchased at a box factory, or boxes covered with the art crepe paper, sold at so reasonable prices nowadays, make attractive receptacles. A bolt of crimson baby ribbon, a few sprigs of holly and several sheets of white tissue paper will enable a dainty package to be sent from one's home.

In packing the candies it is wise to cut paraffin paper and stiff bristol boards to fit the boxes in layers. A sheet of paper, then the layer of board will keep the softer candies, such as chocolate cream, from crushing.

Uncooked candies are never palatable, and no amount of flavoring will mask a raw taste. On this account take the trouble to prepare fondant, which is the basis of all fine cream candies. It is not at all difficult to make if the instructions are correctly carried out.

A week before Christmas prepare the fondant, which can be placed in a jar; cover with a damp cloth and keep in a cool place until two days before Christmas, when it should be made up into the various confections. This time will allow the chocolate, used in dipping, to become firm.

Colorings for tinting can also be purchased at the druggists, and always state that they are to be used to color food to insure getting the vegetable coloring.

Red will produce any shade of pink, rose or scarlet according to the amount used. Violet will produce any shade from pale lavender to deep blue; pistachio or spinach will give green; egg yolk can be used for the yellows and a few drops of strong coffee will give a mode shade and chocolate will give the browns.

The following table may be a guide in flavoring: White—vanilla or almond; pink—strawberry, raspberry, rose; green—pistachio or almond; pale yellow—lemon; deep yellow—orange; mode—maple or coffee; brown—vanilla—Elizabeth W. Morrison in the Housekeeper.

**Hangers for Towels.**

Nails driven through corks make good hangers for dish towels—hangers that will not tear or rust the cloth.

## You're So Good, Santa Dear

# Where Your Taxes Go

## How Uncle Sam Spends Your Money in Conducting Your Business

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### MAGNITUDE OF BILLIONS

I have been throwing the incredible figures at your head. Neither you nor anybody else has the faintest conception of what one billion dollars really is. We speak familiarly of billions as a commonplace, but most of us live our lives in terms of hundreds.

I have shown you that every one of us, man, woman and child, in this country, paid last year $53.77 each toward the support of the government. Of course, every person does not pay exactly $53.77. A great many pay more and some pay less; but those who pay the most try to take it out of those who pay the least by increasing the prices of what they have to sell, or of services rendered or work performed, so that it averages out at $53.77. Some pay more than their share, others pay less. This is called an incident of taxation. The whole point is that we all pay; that we pay now more than we ever paid before; and there is no present prospect of our paying less for some years.

In this way we have all paid our share in the World war. The net cost of that enterprise to date has been $24,100,000,000, or, including our loans to foreign governments, which have not been repaid, $33,455,000,000. These are official treasury figures. Do not let your eyes run over them lightly. Thirty-three billion four hundred and fifty-five million dollars is an almost incomprehensible sum. The cost of running the national government is now around $5,000,000,000 a year. The experts say that for the next two or three years the cost of the government will not descend below about $4,000,000,000 a year.

I want you clearly to understand the immensity, the magnitude, the overwhelming size of such sums. We chatter about billions nowadays without in the least knowing what is a billion. Let me try to bring it home to you. It is now, roughly speaking, 1920 years since the birth of Christ. We do not know precisely and accurately at what hour and on what day Christ was born. But under the Gregorian calendar, according to which we now reckon time, we have a record of the exact hour of January first of the year one, Anno Domini. From the beginning of the year one to January 1, 1921, there elapsed about 701,267 days, or, to reduce it further, 630,948 hours, which being reduced again, means 1,000,824,480 minutes.

I will ask you to remember that the whole history of the modern world from the first second of the year one to the last second of the year 1920 has been compressed into 1,000,824,480 minutes.

Now let us suppose that with the permission of the Roman authorities the United States had established a disbursing officer at Jerusalem on the first day of the year one with instructions to pay out $5 a minute day and night, Sundays and holidays included, right down through the centuries to New Year's day, 1921.

Suppose he had been given $5,086,005,700 to start him on his long spell of spending. That is one estimate of the sum that it cost to run this government in 1920. On the morning of January 1, 1921, this mythical disbursing officer, giving money away at the rate of $5 a minute, would have spent only $5,049,122,400, and would still be one of the richest men in the world, for he would have left on hand $636,883,306 of the original sum. Paying out at the rate of $5 a minute for more than 1900 years, he would not have kept pace with the cost of running of this government for the one single year 1920.

Suppose this imaginary government spender had been authorized to pay out at the rate of $23 a minute through the centuries. He would not yet be finished, on January 1, 1921, paying for our share of the cost of the World war by some $784,030,960. He would have that much left over after paying out $22,225,083,040. He would have been paying out nearly 40 cents every second the clock ticked for more than 19 centuries without being able to discharge our share of the World war cost.

Do you ever bother your head about these bushels and bushels of dollars that you contribute to the support of the government? You earned them. You know whether they came easily or not. Do you know where they go after they leave you, how they are spent, whether wisely or foolishly? It's all your money, contributed for the proper and economic conduct of your business. There is no such thing as government money. The government never earned a cent.

You own the government and you support it, and it is merely administered by men of your selection. I have always been puzzled about why you do not take an active and eager interest in what becomes of your money that you pay in taxes.

But let's go on and get down to cases.

### WHERE YOUR MONEY GOES

I am indebted to the late Dr. E. B. Rosa, of the United States bureau of standards, whose analyses of government expenditures I have already quoted in these articles, for the following comprehensive survey of how the taxes you pay to the government are apportioned in expenditures. It will give you the clearest and best idea of where your money goes. For his purpose Doctor Rosa took the actual appropriations for the fiscal year 1920, amounting to a total of $5,686,005,700, as given in the regular supply bills and three deficiency bills prior to May 1, 1920. For convenience he divided the purposes for which this money was spent into six groups as follows:

Group I—Obligations arising from recent and previous wars, including interest on the public debt, pensions, war-risk insurance, rehabilitation and care of soldiers, deficit in the operation of railways, expenditures of the shipping board, European food relief and the bonus to government employees to cover partially the increased cost of living due to the war, a total of $3,855,482,586.

Group II.—War and Navy departments—expenses somewhat above a permanent peace-time basis—$1,424,138,677.

Group III.—Primary governmental functions, including congress, President and White House staff, courts and penal establishments, departments of justice, state, treasury, interior, commerce, labor, interstate commerce, and other commissions, one-half the District of Columbia, including all the necessary functions of government other than defense, except the commercial activities of Group V and the research, educational and developmental work of Group VI—$181,087,225.

Group IV.—Public works, including rivers and harbors, public buildings, reclamation service, post roads, national parks and railway in Alaska—$168,203,557.

Group V.—Commercial or self-supporting activities, including the post office, land office, Panama canal and housing corporation, which, taken together, earn their expenses.

Group VI.—Research, educational and developmental, including the whole range of work of the Agricultural department, geological survey, bureau of mines, coast and geodetic survey, bureau of standards, bureau of fisheries, bureau of foreign and domestic commerce, bureau of labor statistics, women's and children's bureaus, vocational education, colleges for agriculture and mechanic arts, library of congress, Smithsonian institution and the public health service—$57,160,601.

Total groups I to VI—$5,686,005,700.

| Summary. | | Per Cent |
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| Group I—Expenditures arising from recent and previous wars | $3,855,482,585.60 | 67.81 |
| Group II—War and Navy departments | 1,424,138,676.57 | 25.03 |
| Group III—Primary governmental functions | 181,087,225.41 | 3.19 |
| Group IV—Public works | 168,203,557.40 | 2.97 |
| Group V—Commercial activities | | |
| Group VI—Research, educational and developmental | 57,097,660.02 | 1.01 |
| Total | $5,686,005,705.97 | 100.00 |

The first two groups together amount to 92.8 per cent of the total; public works amounts to 3 per cent, primary governmental functions 3.2 per cent, and research, educational and developmental work, 1 per cent. The population of the country being about 110,000,000, the total budget is about fifty dollars a year per capita, of which fifty cents a year per capita is expended for the wide range of research, educational and developmental work included in Group VI.

"That is, of the fifty dollars a year per capita collected for all purposes, a dollar and a half a year per capita," Doctor Rosa went on to point out, "was spent for what is here called primary functions of government; nearly as much more was put into public works, and fifty cents a year was put back into research, educational and developmental work, to promote scientific research, to increase production and efficiency, to develop wealth, to promote the public health and to conserve our natural resources. That is a very small part of the total—barely enough to be regarded as a burden on the nation.

"Indeed, one is led to wonder whether the total burden of taxation would not be lighter if the expenditure for scientific and developmental work were increased; if, for example, it were one dollar a year per capita instead of fifty cents. In other words, if $110,000,000 were expended annually for this creative and productive work, would it not be easier to collect the five and a half billions for other purposes?"

The big money, of course, goes for war, past, present and future, and that is where the saving must be made, if

**Remarkable Whiskers.**

A hair-raising adventure is recounted by a London actor. Arthur Bourchier, who once, being cast for the part of Henry VIII, determined to grow a beard suitable for the role. He took a three-weeks' vacation and retired into darkest Cornwall upon this mission, emerging at the end of the period with considerable progress visible. However, he decided it was time to go to a hairdresser for a little hastening treatment. All went well until one week-end at Northumberland, when Mr. Bourchier decided to bathe in the sea. Alas for the chemistry of ocean waters mingled with hair tonic—his whiskers when he next beheld them were a dazzling green! He returned to London in haste, with head bowed, and before the play was presented the hairdresser was able to apply counteractive chemicals enough to give him a less striking appearance.

## Hospital an Attraction.

Little Marjorie, age four, was the only one of the family of four to escape injury when their auto was in collision with another. Mother, father and a sister went to a hospital with semi-serious injuries and when they returned home they were fond of their praises of the attentions of the nurses and the kindness of neighbors in sending fruit, flowers and lookers.

A few days ago Marjorie toddled into the street and was struck by a passing auto, being knocked down and suffering a bump on the head. She was able to hurry into the house, where she said to her father:

"Daddy, do you think this bump is big enough for me to go to that hospital?"—Indianapolis News.

**For Pedestrians.**

"Look out for loose motor car nuts" warns a motor journal. We always do before crossing the street.—Boston Transcript.

## Christmas Oyster Roast

An oyster roast in the kitchen or cellar makes a jolly finish to the Christmas day, especially if the cook has gone out and the family are left to fend for themselves. For the young people the simplest way of roasting and serving the oysters is best. Wash the shells and throw by the dozen into the open fire. When they open they are done. Armed with a pair of tongs, let the chief pro tem take them out into a large pan. From this central dish each one can remove his own, scooping the oyster in its own juices with butter, pepper, salt, catsup, horse radish or lemon juice, which should all be at hand for varying tastes. Eat with whole wheat bread or salted bread and butter, pickles and celery. If preferred the feast can be concluded with popcorn popped over the glowing coals and eaten hot from the popper, with sweet cider, nuts and fruit.

**Making Good Short Crust.**

To make good short crust, make in a cool place, keep everything as cool as possible, handle lightly and not evenly.

## Toys Dolls Tinsel

Christmas Candles
Jewelry, Silverware, Cut Glass
Watches and Clocks of all descriptions
Safety Razors

Gillette Safety Razor at $1.25

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## ABOUT THE HOLIDAY GREEN

**Spirit of Poetry in Laurel; Bay Associated With Victory; Holly Emblem of Good Luck.**

WHEN we weave garlands of Christmas greenery, each branch of foliage typifies some ancient virtue, suggests a hoary superstition and carries a meaning far beyond that with which a decorator regards it.

According to the ancients the laurel communicates the spirit of poetry. To gain poetic inspiration a man should sleep with a sprig of laurel under his pillow.

Bay has several meanings. It has always been associated with victory, while it is supposed to protect the wearer from lightning. The withering and shriveling of its leaves was said to foretell death, which may account for the superstition that evergreens should not remain in the house after Twelfth night.

The Romans used to send one another sprigs of holly as emblems of good luck. Immortality is denoted by the yew. For this reason it is always used to decorate churches at Christmas time.—Tit-Bits.

## *The Empty, Raggedy Stockings*

What of the empty, raggedy stockings
That will hang by the chimney on Christmas eve,
With their mute appeals from the poor little owners
To the dear old Santa in whom they believe?

For their share of his presents they ask such a little,
"Just a dolly to hold in my arms while I sleep,
A little tin auto that runs when you wind it,
A sounding red drum or a woolly white sheep."

The only light in their dim, dark existence
Is that wonderful day when old Santa will come
With his treasure filled pack that he brings on his back
From his fairyland, snowyland, toyland home.

What beautiful dreams will come to them sleeping
Under the coverlet shabby and worn;
But what of the empty, raggedy stockings
That will hang by the chimney on Christmas morn?

MRS. H. C. SEARCY, in the Chicago Tribune.

## CLASS AND CASTE FORGOTTEN

**Christmas Season Is One Period of the Year When All People Are Equal.**

THIS is the season of equality, the one brief period of the year when the Christianized world momentarily forgets class and caste. Rich and poor, great and lowly, good and bad, today stand more nearly on a footing of equality than they have stood since the last Yuletide, or than they will stand for another year.

For this is the Christmas season and Christmas belongs to the child, and untutored childhood knows no caste. It is only from grown-ups that the little ones learn false standards of social place.

In every human heart that is not calloused to all joy or sorrow, or dead to the finest emotions of manhood and womanhood, there is enshrined some child, either dead or living—for child love is the universal emotion of the soul.

For this brief season, then, let childhood take our gnarled hand of sophistry and beguile us by the finger back to a fleeting glimpse of that lotus land of equality we once knew and can know only once.


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## WET AND DRY

### What Dry Storage Means

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Whereas, Default has been made and now exists in the conditions of a certain mortgage made and delivered by William Teich, a single man, mortgagor, to Joseph Kothera, mortgagee, dated November 21st, 1914, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Pine County, Minnesota, on the 30th day of November, 1914, at 10 o'clock A. M. in Book No. 22 of Mortgages, on page 593, on which there is claimed to be due and is due at the date of this notice, the sum of Seven Hundred and Fifty three (753) Dollars, principal and interest and the further sum of Twenty six (26) and 38-100 Dollars, taxes paid by said mortgagee, in all the sum of Seven Hundred and Seventy nine (779) and 38-100 Dollars, and no action or proceeding at law or in equity has been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof;

Now Therefore, Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, the said mortgage will be foreclosed and the following premises described in and covered by said mortgage and situate in the County of Pine, State of Minnesota, to wit: The Northeast quarter of the Northeast quarter of Section Seven (7), in Township Thirty Nine (39), Range Twenty one (21), will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder therefor for cash by the Sheriff of said Pine County, at the front door of the Court House, in the Village of Pine City, in said County and State, on Monday the 6th day of February 1922, at 10 o'clock A. M. of said day, to satisfy the amount which shall then be due on said mortgage and the costs and disbursements allowed by law, and Fifty Dollars attorney's fee, as stipulated in said mortgage.

Dated December 21st 1921.

JOSEPH KOTHERA
Mortgagee.

S. G. L. ROBERTS
Attorney for Mortgagee
Pine City, Minn.

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**Citation for Hearing on Final Account and for Distribution**

Estate of Jonas Olson.

State of Minnesota, County of Pine—ss.
—In Probate Court.

In the Matter of the Estate of Jonas Olson —Decedent:

The State of Minnesota to all persons interested in the final account and distribution of the estate of said decedent: The representative of the above named decedent having filed in this Court his final account of the administration of the estate of said decedent, together with his petition praying for the adjustment and allowance of said final account and for distribution of the residue of said estate to the persons thereunto entitled: Therefore You, and Each of You, are hereby cited and required to show cause, if any you have, before this court at the Probate Court Rooms in the Court House in the Village of Pine City, in the County of Pine, State of Minnesota, on the 10th day of January, 1922, at ten o'clock a.m., why said petition should not be granted.

Witness, The Judge of said Court, and the Seal of said Court, this 14th day of December 1921.

(Court Seal) ROBERT WILCOX,
Judge of Probate.


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