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GASOLINE BURNS FATAL TO WOMAN

MRS. A. C. BOWMAN'S CLOTHING CATCHES WHEN CAN EXPLODES

Lingers in Torture More Than Twelve Hours; House and Automobile Destroyed; Two Children Uninjured.

Mrs. A. C. Bowman is dead at the Ranger hospital from burns sustained yesterday morning at her home on the Barker lease, seven miles west of Ranger.

She died last night at 11:45 o'clock, after more than twelve hours of intense suffering.

Two little children are homeless and motherless today as a result of the tragedy, the cause of which lies in a can of gasoline and an open gas fire. The fire exploded the gasoline as Mrs. Bowman was at work in the kitchen of her home.

The children were in the house at the time of the explosion but were not injured.

REMOVES FLOOR STAINS.

Mrs. Bowman, with the exception of the two children, was alone when the accident happened. She was using gasoline from a can to remove grease stains from her kitchen floor, it is said, when it became ignited from a burning gas jet on the cook stove and exploded.

Men working on a nearby oil well are thought to have seen the blaze and to have run to her assistance and with the aid of pyrene fire extinguishers kept the flames back until they carried the woman into the yard and extinguished her clothing, which were a mass of flames.

The accident happened about 9 o'clock. Shortly afterwards the Milford ambulance was summoned and Mrs. Bowman was carried to the Ranger hospital for medical treatment. Her husband was working on a well some distance away from their home when the accident happened.

The house was swept away, with all its furnishings and all the clothing of the husband and the two little ones, and the gaunt skeleton of a flame-seared automobile stands today beside the charred embers of what was Saturday morning the Bowman home.

WAXY MAN GETS CRIMINAL COURT SEAT FROM NEFF

AUSTIN, Jan. 29.—Judge Frank Hawkins of Waxahatchie, was appointed a judge today in the court of criminal appeals by Governor Neff to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Judge W. L. Davidson.

SHIPYARDS WORKERS ASKED TO CUT WAGES TO REVIVE INDUSTRY

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—Decision as to acceptance by between 60,000 and 75,000 skilled workers in American shipyards of a reduction of from 10 to 20 per cent in wages as a means of reviving the industry today was put up to the men by officials of labor organizations, including both the mechanical and clerical forces.

A general referendum was obtained on wage reduction proposals of the Atlantic Coast Shipbuilding company and the Bethlehem Shipbuilding corporation. Labor leaders refused to predict the result, which they said would not be known before the middle of February at the earliest.

FORT WORTH AUTO MAN KILLED IN COLLISION

SPECIAL LEASED WIRE.—FORT WORTH, Jan. 29.—J. Herman Rabb, prominent automobile man, was instantly killed here at 11:45 o'clock tonight when the automobile in which he was riding collided with a street car on the Summit avenue viaduct. The motor car was wrecked and Rabb's head was crushed.

LEGISLATORS INSPECT COLLEGE AT DENTON

SPECIAL LEASED WIRE.—DENTON, Jan. 29.—Denton turned out en masse today to greet the 125 members of the legislature who came to inspect the state schools here. They came at the special invitation of the presidents of the College of Industrial Arts and the North Texas Normal college, and of prominent citizens of Denton.

ALLIES AGAIN HARMONIOUS AS COUNCIL ENDS

PARIS, Jan. 29.—Full agreement on reparations, German disarmament and all other important questions before it was reached by the supreme council of the allies when it adjourned this evening to meet again in London on Feb. 21.

The greatest result obtained was, as M. Briand, the French premier, expressed it, "maintenance by the allies of a front as united in making peace as it was in waging war."

Count Storza, the Italian foreign minister, and M. Briand said the conference has resulted to the satisfaction of everybody concerned. A protocol was signed approving the reparations scheme as agreed by the special committee appointed by the council to consider the indemnities, and also the report on the disarmament of Germany as presented by the military committee.

RAILWAY MEN WILL REFUSE LOWER WAGES

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Jan. 29.—Heads of three big railroad brotherhoods in formal statements here tonight said the railroad workers will not peacefully submit to the wage reductions which Chicago dispatches say the railroads will seek from the United States railway labor board in a petition to be presented Monday.

W. J. Lee, president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen; W. S. Carter, president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers, and Lee Sheppard, president of the Order of Railway Conductors, made the declaration. A similar declaration was made Thursday by Warren S. Stone, grand chief of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—The senate late today confirmed the nominations of 5,000 junior officers of the army. The confirmations were the first of the present session and were made in open session by unanimous consent. The nominations were presented by Senator Wardsworth of New York, chairman of the military affairs committee. A majority of the officers affected won their commissions on the battlefields of France.

RETAILERS WILL MAKE OR BREAK GOOD ROAD PLAN

Committee Expects to Obtain Quota in One Day's Work Downtown.

Fifteen team captains met Saturday afternoon to discuss road financing. They are the men who will have in charge the raising of the merchants' quota. This quota has been set by the central finance committee as \$15,000. The Merchants' association, which started the movement, asked the committee to let it be the first group to raise its quota, in order to show good faith and a sincere purpose.

"We can show you the cash on the barrel head in forty-eight hours," they said.

The committee accepted the challenge. "Go to it," was their reply.

The teams will issue forth Monday morning at 9:30. By 3:30 in the afternoon they expect to have the retailers' quota signed for on the dotted line. They believe this because the finance committee has made its assessment on a scientific basis. The assessments are based on business done during the trade carnival, on committee knowledge of various businesses, on benefit to be derived by various types of business. These facts, together with the assessments being lower than expected, are foundations for the belief that the retailers will sign up unanimously and without a quibble.

Funds Are First.

Leaders feel that this will undoubtedly be true as those approached Monday realized the seriousness of the situation and the necessity for doing their part. They believe that Thursday's work has shown the necessity for road work. They point out that there is equal necessity for the merchant to sign up for their assessments. That, they say, will prove the success of the movement, for the retailers are the foundation and the keystone of the whole financial scheme. They are the ones who will receive the first benefit, and if they will not support the movement, it will automatically collapse. Ranger cannot expect the oil companies and other outside interests to do for Rangerites what Rangerites will not do for themselves, it is pointed out.

"Come in or pack up."

Team captains, one for each block or its equivalent are: Ed Maher, Denny Cawley, Scott Hill, J. F. Castellaw, L. T. Summers, T. E. Henshaw, C. A. Rogers, E. M. Humes, Edw. Duggan, A. Davenport, T. G. Duffebach, R. C. Estes, W. B. Palmer, A. Davis and W. J. Rourke. They have the power to appoint any number of assistants they deem necessary in order to complete the task completely and quickly.

Members of the Merchants' association will be called on for a definite sum, one-third to be paid in cash, one-third in thirty days and one-third in sixty days. After their quota has been raised, the finance committee will campaign the individual owners, the oil companies, the supply houses, and other groups until the total amount of \$50,000 is obtained.

CABINET JOBS NOT TO INTERFERE WITH G. O. P. COMMITTEE POSTS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—Members of the Republican national committee and other officials of that party from Chairman Hays down, will be kept in their political positions for a time after March 4, regardless of cabinet and other federal appointments, according to definite statements made by officials at Republican headquarters here.

It was regarded as certain, they said, that Chairman Hays would be appointed to the cabinet, but this would have no effect on his political position within the party, at least for a time after the new administration comes into office.

"RADIANT" STOCKINGS LONDON "EYE-OPENERS"

International News Service.—LONDON, Jan. 29.—"Radiant" stockings, announced from Paris, have not yet started promenades in London, though footwear fashions of the moment in England could by no means be called conservative in conception and design.

One of the mildest designs is the spider and fly design, the web, in delicate silk tracery, is designed to come just above the strap of an ankle-band shoe. Birds, wreaths of flowers and fruit, animals and swastika signs, which, appearing on milady's veil, used to have the effect of decorating the tip of her nose, have been transferred to the gossamer stockings.

A slim golden or silver anklet worked in the silk stocking, is one idea which gives an Eastern effect to an otherwise Western toilet.

They sprigs of old-fashioned flowers, worked in the correct colors on the front of a pair of stockings were seen in wear in Bond street.

HATTERS ACCEPT CUT.

ORANGE, N. J., Jan. 29.—A 20 per cent decrease in wages was accepted today by Hat Finishers' local No. 4 of the Orange district. The men will return to the schedules of Nov. 1919—\$8 a day instead of the \$10 now paid. About 2,000 men are affected.

Aged Father Seeks Proof Son Did Not Steal Car In Which He Was Burned

Gas Tank Burst; Passerby Took Car Numbers Into Fort Worth, Identified as Stolen; Boy Says He Won It at Raffle in Ranger.

With his son, T. H. Knight, at home dangerously burned as a result of the gasoline tank exploding on the car which he was driving from Ranger to Kaufman, J. T. Knight, a farmer of that place, is in the city trying to establish the right of his boy to the machine. The car is now known to have been stolen in Fort Worth on Nov. 13, 1920. If Knight falls in his mission, a prison term is staring his son in the face. His only clue is that he was told, by the boy, that he had won the machine in a raffle in Ranger just before Christmas. He had received a bill of sale, he told his father, but it was burned when the overcoat which he was wearing at the time of the explosion was consumed by flames. He did not know the man's name that raffled off the car.

With this meagre information the old father, who is more accustomed to the placid existence of tracing long furrows in loamy soil, is making an effort to ferret out the identity of the man who alone can establish the right of his boy to the machine—and this man probably knew when he sold the lottery he was breaking the law.

Wants Truth. A hint of honest tears swelled his voice as he appealed to officers for help yesterday. "All I want to know is 'he truth,'" he said.

The explosion that burned young Knight occurred between Terrell and Kaufman ten days ago. According to his father he raised the seat over the gasoline tank and at that moment the tank exploded; just why he did not know.

The machine was left standing where the accident happened and a passing service car driver took the numbers and turned them over to Fort Worth officials. Through them the ownership of the machine was established and an investigation followed. The officers have declared that Knight will be prosecuted if he lives and cannot establish his right to the possession of the automobile, according to his father.

HARDING AT MIAMI; WILL TRY FISHING

MIAMI, Fla., Jan. 29.—President-elect Harding completed his houseboat cruise down the Florida coast today and lingered overnight at the winter playgrounds on Miami beach before starting his fishing expedition among the Florida keys.

The houseboat Victoria, on which he made the trip here from St. Augustine, set him ashore at mid-afternoon at the pier of one of the Miami beach hotels and after a luncheon and a game of golf he changed his plans to permit him to remain for a week-end there. He was quartered for the night in a winter cottage at Biscayne bay and will not start for the fishing grounds until Monday.

One of the first to call and pay his respects to the presidential party was William J. Bryan, who has a residence here. It is understood that Mr. Harding accepted an invitation to call at the Bryan home some time before he bids goodby to Southern Florida.

EXPERIMENTS SHOW AERIAL BOMBS CAN'T WRECK BATTLESHIP

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—Bombing experiments conducted recently against the old battleship Indiana have demonstrated "the improbability of a modern battleship being either destroyed or completely put out of action" according to a report made public by the navy department today. The report was from Captain Leahy, director of gunnery exercises.

The department has accurate information held as confidential regarding the number of hits that may be expected against a vessel at sea by aero bombs.

RAILROAD MEN MUM ON WAGE CUT PLANS

CHICAGO, Jan. 29.—Railroad executives after a two-day conference behind closed doors tonight had outlined a tentative plan of action designed to make such adjustments as the railroads consider necessary for efficient and economical operation. The labor committee of the American association of railroad executives were still conferring tonight on a scheme to be submitted to 170 member roads with prospects of action Monday.

AGREEMENT REACHED ON NEW NAVAL BASE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—An agreement to definitely recommend Alameda, Cal., as a site for the new Pacific naval base and for location of other subsidiary coast naval bases was reached today by a subcommittee of the joint congressional naval committee.

NEWHAM SAVES HALF ON STREET CLEANING COST

Contract Let at \$650 Per Month; Cleaned Before Convention.

The entire paved area of the city will be clean for the convention, according to assurance given today by Street Commissioner Newham shortly after he let the contract for cleaning to Bud Paulson for \$650 a month. After receiving the award Mr. Paulson immediately wired for a nine-foot horsepower street sweeper, brooms and rewinders to fill the broom, and other necessities. This outfit is expected in a few days. In the meantime a large crew of men will be employed, beginning Monday morning, and all mud and other trash removed. For the first thorough cleaning additional payment will be allowed Mr. Paulson, and he has promised that the streets will be in a shining condition before the arrival of the visitors to the convention.

After getting organized Mr. Paulson expects to sweep the streets once each day. The sweepings will go into the gutter and men and carts will follow and cart it away. He is certain that with two single horse carts and the sweeper the job can be handled efficiently.

Mr. Newham has steadfastly refused to pay the high prices that have been asked for this work—not, as he explained, because he did not want the contractor to make money, but because all bidders wanted to do the work in a high priced way. Two months ago the best bid he received was \$1,500 a month.

Mr. Paulson also has the street sprinkling franchise and expects to work the two in conjunction.

MEXICO WILL AID FOREIGN COLONISTS

TORREON, Coahuila, Mexico, Jan. 29.—The department of colonization has listed eighty large tracts of land to be subdivided for colonization purposes, the principal ones being located in the states of Coahuila and Chihuahua. Foreigners who wish to settle on the properties will be allowed special concessions and given federal assistance the same as the natives receive. The Mexican government will encourage in every way possible the agricultural industry throughout the republic.

A number of prominent mining men of Torreon made a trip by automobile to the Penon Blanco mining district to examine the mining properties.

American oil men have been investigating in this district during the last few weeks and it was believed that some test wells will be drilled in the Mapiimi basin where good indications for oil have been found by drillers who have been sinking wells for water.

The sugar producers have announced that they are to petition the government for a reduction of taxes. Owing to the decline in the price of sugar they claim there is no profit in the industry.

American laborers are being warned against going to the Tampico oil fields for employment. Thousands of Americans have been lured to that district by reports of high wages and plenty of work. The rush has been so great that the oil companies are unable to give employment to all.

It is again persistently rumored in railroad circles that the National lines of Mexico will be returned to former ownership as soon as the transfer can be arranged and the creditors satisfied.

EXTRAVAGANCE OF WORKERS DENIED BY WELFARE EXPERT

BOSTON, Jan. 29.—Immediate action in every country to provide work for the unemployed in order to prevent the use of soup kitchens and bread lines, was urged today by Richard Hay Conant, state commissioner of public welfare.

Savings accumulated by wage earners during the last few years are helping large numbers of the unemployed, according to Mr. Conant. Charges that workers squandered their money during the period of high wages he termed as entirely unfounded.

SENTRY'S ACTION WAS CONTRARY TO ORDERS, JAP REPORT SHOWS

TOKYO, Jan. 29.—The preliminary report of the Japanese gendarmes to the court-martial in the case of the sentry who recently killed Lieutenant W. H. Langdon of the United States cruiser Albany, has found the sentry's action contrary to regulations and unjustifiable, according to a Vladivostok dispatch to the Jiji Shimpo.

SOUTH ASKS TARIFFS FOR PROTECTION

Short Staple Cotton Only Product Left Off List by Tariff Congress.

ATLANTA, Jan. 29.—A protective tariff for almost all southern products except short staple cotton was urged in resolutions adopted at the closing session of the Southern Tariff congress today.

The resolution listed many agricultural, industrial and mining products for which protection was specifically asked and the exception of short staple cotton in the list was understood to have resulted from the fact that the South enjoys a virtual monopoly of its production.

The congress was asked to meet to enact a permanent tariff law with protection for the industries mentioned and Southern senators were urged to join in aiding passage for the Food and emergency tariff measure, which today's dispatches from Washington said "appeared to have reached the fountaining point in the senate."

No mention was made in the official copy of the resolution of a proposal adopted yesterday for a ten-year non-imposition of all goods made and which can be made in the United States.

CONGRESSMEN PEEVED AT NEW HOUSE SYSTEM

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—A growing wave of discontent over the new system of framing big appropriation measures broke in the House today with unexpected fury.

The upshot of it all was the virtual riddling of the \$8,000,000 diplomatic and consular bill. The bill was cut to pieces on points of order which eliminated funds intended for conduct of the American business abroad. There was no general attempt to wreck the bill. Members simply sought to register violent opposition to the manner of its framing.

The attack served as a warning of what may be expected next week when the House begins consideration of the army and navy appropriation bill. It gave leaders cause for serious thought as to whether the supply measure could be put through before the Congress adjourns.

DEFEAT PREDICTED FOR FORDNEY TARIFF BILL IN SENATE NEXT WEEK

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—The Fordney emergency tariff bill had reached the fountaining point when the senate adjourned tonight until Monday.

Republican leaders held a conference late today and agreed to endeavor next week to obtain an agreement for a vote and if successful to attempt cloture.

With a two-thirds vote necessary to invoke cloture—something which republican leaders admitted probably could not be obtained—the vote on adopting cloture would come under senate rules next Wednesday.

A. & M. HOST TO OLDER BOYS' CONFERENCE

COLLEGE STATION, Jan. 29.—Earl Selman, Palestine, was elected president; Lawrence Moore, Houston, vice president, and John Braselton, Corsicana, secretary, treasurer, at a business meeting today of the ninth Texas Older Boys' conference, which is holding sessions at the Texas Agricultural & Mechanical college.

Speakers at the general session urged the boys to develop to the best of their ability by affiliating themselves with the church.

The boys inspected experiment farms, dairies and poultry farms and other plants at the college. The conference adjourns tomorrow.

AMERICAN LEGION WILL DISCUSS JAPANESE BILL

AUSTIN, Jan. 29.—Conference of the members of the legislative and Japanese colonization committees of the state organization of the American Legion meet here tomorrow morning in response to a call by members of the Rio Grande valley posts for the purpose of discussing the Japanese exclusion bill introduced in the senate today by Senator R. P. Dudley of El Paso.

SUNDAY MOVIE FOR RELIEF.

DENISON, Jan. 29.—The objections by the Pastor's association to Sunday exhibition of moving pictures to raise funds for European relief, which threatened to disrupt the plan, have been withdrawn. Pictures are to be shown tomorrow. The pastors claimed that the movement would restrict Sunday picture shows.

MRS. WITHERELL WILL BE FOUND. POLICE ASSERT

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 29.—The mystery of the disappearance Tuesday of Mrs. Gladys Witherell, wife of O. S. Witherell, investment company head, was somewhat nearer a solution late today, police and private detectives employed on the case assert.

The police declined to say whether they consider the death of Charles Levery, former business associate of Witherell, and Mrs. Elda Western Tenney, Witherell's stenographer, in an automobile accident early today, had any bearing on the case.

Levery and Mrs. Tenney lost their lives when the machine in which they were riding struck a street car and was overturned. Following this car was another in which were several detectives from a private agency retained by Witherell. Miss Harris, head of the agency, said there had been a purpose in having the Levery car trailed but declined to state what it was. He admitted Levery had been questioned about the disappearance of Mrs. Witherell, but said there had never been the slightest reason to investigate the movements of Mrs. Tenney or those of Harry Glazier, or Miss Mary W. Rosenberg, who were injured in the accident.

NEW ZEALAND BARS ARMOUR AFTER PROBE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—Charges that Armour & Co. were debarred from conducting an export business in New Zealand as a direct result of dissemination abroad through the state department of the federal trade commission's report on its investigation of the packing industry were made by the institute of American meat packers last night.

After meeting a large packing plant in New Zealand, the statement said, Armour & Co. suddenly were informed by the New Zealand government that as a result of its study of the official summary of the federal trade commission's report it could not permit the company to conduct an export business from that country. The statement quoted the following reply from the New Zealand minister of agriculture, W. D. McDonald, in response to an application from the company for a license to export meats.

"I regret to inform you that I cannot grant this license. This decision has been arrived at after the perusal of the official summary of the report of the federal trade commission on the meat packing industry, appointed by the United States government.

While it was true the New Zealand government had begun an investigation of American packing companies before the application for export license was made, the statement said, it is "equally true that the investigation was started about the time the federal trade commission began its ex-parte investigation in this country, seeing to it that proper publicity appeared here and abroad even before it had started preparation of its report."

County and City Poll Taxes Needed, Attorney Holds

To vote in city elections it is necessary that both the city and state poll tax be paid, where a city tax has been imposed, according to an opinion given by Lytton R. Taylor after a research. This Mr. Taylor believes, is true, even though the assessing ordinance does not make the paying of the tax precedent to the right to vote. It is under a state law which does make the payment precedent to the right of suffrage in state and county elections. This, Mr. Taylor believes, extends to cities.

As he explained it, one who holds a receipt for the payment of a city poll tax and not a county tax is barred from voting in any election, while one having a county and state tax receipt may—he is not sure on that point—vote in county elections even where the city has imposed the poll tax payment and it has not been paid.

The question was referred to Mr. Taylor after it became known that the city was collecting the tax under a provision of its charter, which it has a right to do. However, this assessment has not been made by ordinance and it is the attorney's opinion that this must be done before non-payment will be grounds for disfranchisement, and when it is done, he thinks that non-payers are automatically barred from participating in city elections even though the ordinance itself does not so state and despite the county tax has been paid.

The whole question is one that should be settled, it is thought, in order to avoid possible complications later.

MORE LIQUOR

By Associated Press. SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Jan. 29.—Discovery of a still in Sioux Falls' east side was recently brought about by an unexpected turn which events occasionally take.

Someone had carefully dug out an underground room sixteen feet beneath the floor of an old shed. Several quarts of moonshine whisky, a small still and other paraphernalia gave more evidence that a moonshiner had worked secretly here beneath the surface. But—in some manner the shed caught fire.

After the fire there was an investigation by insurance agents. A careless kick by one of the investigators uncovered an iron ring fastened to a trap door. Discovery of the still resulted.

CONGRESSMAN'S 80TH BIRTHDAY

By Associated Press. WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—Representative Stendman of North Carolina, Democrat, was given an ovation and a gold watch by the house today in celebration of his eightieth birthday.

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DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS WILL AID WORK OF WEST TEXAS BODY AFTER BIG CONVENTION HERE

By W. HAMILTON WRIGHT.

Room reservation for out-of-town delegates to the West Texas Chamber of Commerce convention here Feb. 7 and 8 is now in charge of William T. Wheeler, assistant general manager, who has already established headquarters in the Guaranty State Bank building. An advance tip from Porter A. Whaley, general manager of the organization, is to the effect that more than 2,000 delegates will come to Ranger during the convention. Four hundred requests for reservations have already been received. The program which is now being prepared will be released during the coming week. It will be very complete, carrying the names of some of the most prominent business men of Texas and the Southwest.

The legislation bureau of the organization, which was established at Austin Jan. 10, in charge of William M. Wood, former secretary of the Eastland Chamber of Commerce, is now functioning. This office is located in commodious quarters with the Austin Chamber of Commerce. All matters pertaining to legislation affecting the West or parts of it should be taken up with that bureau direct.

Divided Into Districts. Following the Ranger convention the territory served by this association will be divided into four or five districts, over each of which will be a sub-manager with a centrally located headquarters. The new system has already been partly tried out with better results than the old system. Towns which will be district headquarters are Del Rio, in charge of John C. Wells, former exhibits manager; Plainview, in charge of Wilson K. Whipple; Abilene, in charge of B. F. Bennett; Fort Worth, in charge of William T. Wheeler; with Field Representative J. E. Farrow alternating and assisting in each of the districts. The Plainview district will embrace Lubbock, and headquarters will probably alternate between them

each six months. The headquarters of the organization will be maintained at Stamford as at present, with traffic department at Fort Worth, legislation bureau at Austin and national office at Washington. In each of the districts the sub-manager will be responsible for finances, activities and the like. In case peculiarly local problems cannot be solved in each district the matter will be referred to the general offices, where it will be given consideration.

It is understood that three men are slated for the presidency during the ensuing year. J. A. Kemp, Wichita Falls, capitalist and well known irrigationist, is next in line for the office. The present incumbent, H. P. Brelsford, of Eastland is understood to be seeking re-election. Central West Texas is considering seriously the advocacy of Clifford B. Jones, banker and stockman of Spur.

Branch in Mexico. At the Ranger convention authority will be granted for the institution of a Mexico City branch of the organization. It is known that practically all the membership is strong for this adjunct, believing that it will be able to bring about better relations between the peoples of the two republics and develop a most satisfactory exploitation of Mexican resources. Several persons have been considered as manager for this branch.

William T. Wheeler, assistant general manager, has made a good start in his membership renewal campaign in Ranger. The banks and merchants have already responded to a large extent. Mr. Wheeler desires to complete his canvass in the next few days so that he may give his whole time and attention to the preliminaries of the big gathering. General Manager Porter A. Whaley will arrive in Ranger during the coming week to arrange for the big opening next Monday week.

Committee appointed locally to handle details of the convention are perfecting plans for meeting and entertaining guests.

Johnson Ignorant on Jap Question, Colby Declares

By Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—Secretary Colby in replying to a statement made by Senator Johnson today said the senator was proceeding upon a "quite erroneous assumption as to the trend and purpose of the conversations which have been going on for some time between Ambassador Morris and the Japanese ambassador.

In his statement of reply tonight Secretary Colby said that Senator Johnson "was not informed as to the course of these conversations." "I therefore am surprised that he should feel called upon to throw himself into a defensive posture against dangers which he describes but which I am informed he has been assured do not present themselves," said Colby.

SCHOOL TEACHER KILLS HUGE CINNAMON BEAR

International News Service.

CHICO, Cal., Jan. 29.—A flirtatiously inclined cinnamon bear failed to make a bit when he paraded around the little "red school house" of Selad valley, Siskiyou county, presided over by Schoolmar Gladys Westlein, nineteen. Miss Westlein organized a hunting party, traced him to his lair and killed him with a shot from her rifle. Now brain graces the floor of Miss Westlein's home here as a handsome rug.

TWO ECLIPSES OF MOON.

By Associated Press.

FORT WORTH, Jan. 29.—Two eclipses of the moon will be visible in Texas in 1921, according to information from the local weather bureau. They will occur on April 21 and October 16. There will be no eclipses of the sun visible in Texas in 1921.

J. P. MORGAN DONATES LONDON EMBASSY TO U. S.

By Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—The house voted today to authorize the secretary of state to accept the residence of J. P. Morgan in London as an American embassy. Acceptance of the gift was proposed by Representative Walsh of Massachusetts, Republican.

The house also voted to appropriate \$150,000 for the purchase of an American embassy in Paris. Both propositions were offered as amendments to the consular bill.

POLICE SEEK OWNER OF FORTUNE IN DRUGS

By Associated Press.

VANCOUVER, Jan. 29.—Police today were searching for the owner of \$50,000 worth of narcotic drugs and 258 cases of Chinese liquor discovered last night in an unoccupied house.

WHEN DO WE SPLIT?

By Associated Press.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—Every man, woman and child in the world would have \$37.53 from an equal distribution of all the money on deposit in mutual stock and postal savings banks of the globe, it was estimated today by the Savings Bank Association of the State of New York.

There are 146,277,394 holders of small savings accounts in the world, the association's estimate shows, who have a deposit of \$22,123,285,677. A sum greater than the combined wealth of Germany, Austria, Hungary, Turkey and Bulgaria. The average deposit account the world over is \$158.08.

By Associated Press.

HOWDEN, England, Jan. 29.—The dirigible R-34, which was damaged yesterday while making a landing and which after drifting out to sea was finally maneuvered back to base here, suffering another mishap last night, being badly damaged by a strong wind. Almost cut in two, it is announced that the airship's flying days are over and it will be dismantled.

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—Trotines, Poret Twill and Serges are the chosen materials, and, of course, navy blues predominate, but there are tans and the lighter shades of brown to give variety.

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HEADQUARTERS FOR MEN'S WEAR

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Wild Goose Gives Idea for Newest Type of Airplane

NORFOLK, Va., Jan. 29.—An airplane with wings that flap like a bird has been patented by Thomas J. Bird, now a resident of Hampton, Va. It can get up from the water as well as it can from land. It is different from the rigid winged airplanes, which receive its impetus from a rapidly revolving propeller. In several tests the machine has proven that it can fly, and it is claimed by the inventor and government experts that it will probably prove a much better flyer than the present day airplane.

Mr. Bird says his machine in the "take off" and flight through the air does not create or require a vacuum, as does the present day airplane. Mr. Bird, who is a marine engineer, several years ago took a course in aviation at San Diego, Cal., and became a regular licensed aviator. His idea was to do away with the present propeller and construct a machine with moveable wings or planes that would flap like any winged creature of the air.

Studies Bird Flight.

To attain this end he made exhaustive studies of and observed the flights of wild fowls, especially the wild goose and the eagle. His observations of the sustained flight of the wild goose convinced him that that fowl is one of the swiftest of all winged creatures. He secured two enormous eagles and by many tests on them made with strong but light tackle attached to their bodies, he enlarged his understanding of the art of flying. He found that the larger of the two eagles had a registered "lift" in addition to its own body of twenty-eight pounds. With the practical knowledge that he had gained by his observations and experiments, Mr. Bird went to work to perfect the mechanical ideas he had in order to apply them to a successful working model.

He then built a machine that he flew successfully at Santa Monica, Cal. On one of these experimental flights through a miscalculation of the velocity of the wind the machine, which had been set to automatically fly in a circular course, was deflected and fell into the Pacific Ocean, between Santa Monica and Catalina Island. The model was lost.

The motive power necessary for the propulsion of the mechanism of this flying machine is a gasoline engine or engines. The most essential mechanism is, first, the universal joint bearing boxes, which connect the wings of the flying machine to the body, and wherewith the wings are caused to swing, flapping like those of a bird in the air; and, second, the wing guiding line that causes the wings to move downward and upward in an oblong circular movement similar to that of an oarsman rowing a boat. This eliminates all jerking motion in the wing.

Solves Speed Problem.
It is the constant aim of mechanical engineers in the construction of gasoline engines in operation to hold down the speed revolutions to keep the heat produced by gas combustion and friction at a temperature that will prevent distortion of the engines. For the type of airplanes now in use the propellers must revolve very rapidly and, consequently, the engines are speeded up very near the danger point, as where a speed of ninety-six miles per hour is maintained continuously for many hours, which speed is that of the wild goose with its wings and by muscular energy alone. In Mr. Bird's flying machine with wings likened to those of a wild goose, to attain

this speed the wings will be propelled eight revolutions per minute, whereas the propeller airplane will require 1,400 per minute.

The wings or planes in this invention are formed from overlapping slats, and are so constructed as to automatically close on the downward and forward thrust of the wings and open as the wings rise or recover, thereby permitting the air or water as the case may be, to pass through without retarding the movement of the wings.

As this device encompasses its use as a hydroplane as well as an airplane, the machine's body, if a boat load on the water, is forced on and forward, as the wings in the downward stroke with their slats closed press on the water and pull like an oar. The wings will submerge slightly, but in the upward and forward movement the slats open, the water passes through the wings and does not retard the upward forward movement of the machine.

The inventor claims that his airplane will be expeditious in developing an engine revolution of 160 to 200 per minute, and a speed of 175 to 200 miles per hour.

The aviation department of the United States government has signified its encouragement of the device by offering aid in the building of a machine this coming summer at its chief construction base at Cleveland, Ohio.

EASTLAND COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY TO MEET HERE NEXT WEEK

The Eastland County Medical Society will hold its bi-monthly meeting in Ranger, Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 8, at 2 o'clock. The following program will be rendered:

Address of welcome, Mayor M. H. Hagaman.

Response, S. C. Richardson, Eastland.

Invocation, Rev. W. H. Johnson.

Paper, "Anesthesia," W. E. Payne, Cisco.

Paper, "Some Essential Points on Management of the Second Stage of Labor," Charles H. Harris, Fort Worth.

"My Family Physician," Rev. S. J. Vaughn, Cisco.

"The Internal Secretions," Curtice Rosser, Dallas.

Paper, Dr. Shelton of Ranger.

At 5 o'clock luncheon will be tendered the visiting doctors by the Ranger members.

CATS HER HOBBY; LEFT THEM MONEY; MAN CONTESTS IT

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—John Ewen, Yonkers attorney, yesterday told Surrogate James A. Foley and a jury that he objected to his aunt leaving her fortune to "cats and cat societies." His testimony related to a former contest to the will of Caroline Ewen.

Mr. Ewen's present contest concerns the will of his late aunt, Maria Louise Ewen, who deprived him and his two sisters of any share in a \$300,000 estate. The former contest, in which the welfare of cats was at stake, was successfully waged by Ewen.

According to Aunt Maria Louise Ewen's will, her reason for depriving Ewen of a share in her estate was his action in contesting the right of "cat societies" to receive Aunt Caroline Ewen's money. The various societies, the will added, each gave Ewen a

WINS WIFE IN PLANE 2,500 FEET IN AIR



Major Paul Milnor, veteran of the Royal Flying corps, met Ruth Martin in Dayton, Ohio. He asked her to take a ride. When 2,500 feet up he proposed and she accepted. He immediately turned the plane in the direction of Fort Wayne, Ind., where Miss Martin lives. At Fort Wayne "Mamma" Martin was consulted. "Preposterous," she declared. "You children are excited. Don't be foolish." As Miss Martin was only twenty and needed her mother's consent, they flew on to Chicago, where a license was easier to get. A church wedding followed.

sixth of the residuary estate left to them sooner than face trial.

Ewen testified General John Ewen spent his life gathering the million dollars which he left in bulk to his three daughters, and that he felt it was wrong for his aunt to leave her third of that fortune to cat societies.

He added that when he protested to his aunt Eliza, she advised him that she did not make the will of her sister. She also seemed angry with him, he continued. Later she wrote him a letter, he declared, telling Ewen to "take some of your ill-gotten gains and hire a pew for yourself. Your presence is no longer required here." He wrote in reply that he never was the recipient of "ill-gotten gains" and that he "paid his pew rent regularly."

"POOR" WOMAN, 80 YEARS OLD CONCEALS \$8,000

NEWARK, N. J., Jan. 29.—An 80-year-old woman, sent to the city almshouse by charity workers, was refused admittance today when it was discovered she had \$8,000 of her own.

The woman, who had been living on charity for fifteen years, in a single attic room, admitted she had "some money" in an old trunk. The trunk, unopened for twenty years, was filled with bills and gold pieces.

There was \$1,000 in bills and \$2,000 worth of five-dollar gold pieces and bank books showing savings of \$3,000. Each gold piece was wrapped in tissue paper.

Newcomers Made Roads Boosters Before Arrival

Sergeant W. C. McQueen, champion recruit of West Texas returned yesterday from a month's furlough, which he and his bride spent with relatives at Canton, Texas. The sergeant didn't forget to boost for Ranger during his trip, and as a result of the tale he told and subsequent investigation, Carpenter Bros. of his town have moved a four-chair barber shop and a tailor shop here and are located on South Austin street.

The new firm, incidentally, probably are good boosters for the Good Roads movement. Coming this way in trucks, they progressed without incident, until this side of Wiles. Then the road became impassable. They were stuck. It cost them \$150 to be hauled the rest of the way into Ranger.

Sergeant McQueen himself bought a car and drove in it. He also says that the roads were fairly good until this side of Strawn, after which the less said the better. There is a hill between here and Wiles, he said, that this is so steep it cannot be negotiated unless one has a full tank of gas, as it won't flow into the cylinders, otherwise. Also the road is so rough and there is so much fox trotting for the car to do, that no run can be made for it.

For all his misadventures out in the suburbs, McQueen is back on the job at the army station, 111 Main street. There he found that the station had done the

GLASS

Plate Glass, Window Glass, Windshields, Mirrors.

McElroy Plate Glass Company
115-17 N. Marston

large-size business of fifty-seven recruits thus far this month. Most of these men were sent to Camp Lewis, Wash., and Camp Meade, Md.

POISON LABEL FAILS TO SCARE LUMBERJACKS

BASTON, Jan. 29.—A run on the denatured alcohol supply of a paint shop in the north end by lumberjacks who disregarded a skull and crossbones warning caused a revocation of the license of the Albert K. Sheldon company, wholesale paint and varnish dealers, to sell wood alcohol and denatured alcohol.

Lumberjacks seeking employment at a bureau next door were found to have a plentiful source of supply, and investigation disclosed many empty bottles. No deaths of blindness have been reported.

NOT MUCH MONEY FOR SHOESHINING ALL DAY

The business of shining shoes in anger is profitable, if the money found on the person of a young fellow last night can be taken as a guide. At least the man said he *shined* a shoe shining stand—and he had \$220 in his possession. However, the police declare that operating a three-card monte game on the side is the most profitable end of his business. He was locked up to be investigated.

Because the land is so badly torn up by shell fire many villages in the Verdun region of France will never be reconstructed.

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DELAY COSTLY.

The plan to erect a city and county hospital in Ranger has reached a point of stagnation from which it does not move. The county has said it had \$30,000 for the project. The city has said it is ready to issue warrants in the same amount. Three sites have been offered upon which the buildings might be erected. Architects have submitted plans, but none have been accepted and everything has stopped dead still.

Ranger needs the hospital and Eastland county needs the hospital. Both have indigent patients who should be getting its benefits without cost, as provided by law. Mechanics without work need it in order that they may have employment to bridge over the present depression in the building trades. Physicians need the hospital in order that with its help Ranger can build a reputation for medical efficiency that will bring patients here from all parts of the state. Business people need it for the reason that patients now going to other points could be brought here and business increased. Other reasons could be given why it is needed now but these should suffice.

The only possible cause for delay is the fact that a very small per cent might be added in building cost, but while this saving is being effected it will more than be offset by the loss that will be incurred. It would appear to the layman that procrastination is withholding a real benefit from this city and from Eastland county.

One Bolshevik says Sovietism will not gain much headway in this country because of its great number of bath tubs. And Saturday night is more faithfully observed than the Sabbath.—Howston Post.

If, as Dry Commissioner Kramer says "boogie" stocks were consumed like lard in a desert during the first year of prohibition, why insist upon calling it prohibition?—Pittsburg Dispatch.

Some of the visitors at Marion, Ohio are suspected of issuing advertisements "Advice Given" when what they really mean is "Situation Wanted."—Charles ton News and Courier.

It is reported that Lenine has gon-mad. If the story is true he probably didn't have far to go.—Birmingham Age Herald.

More people are killed by people's stepping on the gas than by their blowing it out.—Minneapolis Tribune.

It isn't true that men will do anything for money. Some won't work for it.—Pittsburg Gazette-Times.

The United States certainly is a tough place for a pessimist.—Indianapolis Star.

Congress seems to be spending a good deal of time spending time.—Chicago News.

Bolshevism will never work well with the leaders do.—Boston Herald.

An enterpriser, the instrument that measured Botelegue, might, if cleverly handled, show us exactly Wash Vanderlip's opinion of himself.—Washington Post.

The true reform temperament is never satisfied unless it makes the reform a disagreeable as possible.—Ohio State Journal.

The last run to go will be the rum in nostrum.—Boston Herald.

THE WOMAN WHO SAW

Enjoying Her Woes.

The cheerful soul naturally prefers association with her own kind—people who make the best of their daily problems and face sorrow bravely if it must come. But an uncomfortable conscience prods her to frequent visits to one or two lugubrious folk whose persistent pessimism temporarily darkens even her sunshine. This time it was a call on Mrs. Brown, the mother of a dear friend, who lives alone in a charming little apartment, surrounded by every care and luxury a devoted son and two charming daughters can lavish upon her. The living alone is decidedly from choice. Her children, all three married, recognized their comparatively young mother's right to a home of her own and gave in to her determination to "be a charge on nobody." With a good mind, education and extensive experience, she has possibilities for real happiness, were it not for her gloomy outlook on life. She was reading a book when the cheerful soul called and had temporarily forgotten herself in the interesting plot. But her love of an audience proved too much and her face fell into its accustomed lines as she began her querulous recital.

"No, I don't see the girls very often—they are too busy with their own affairs and John is so engrossed in business. I am often very lonely." An inquiry about her excellent health elicited a long recital of dangerous symptoms. Her caller widely cast about in her mind for a more pleasant topic. Recalling that she had not seen her hostess since the latter's return from a wonderful visit in Canada, she prefaced an intention of getting a recital of the trip by saying: "But, Mrs. Brown, you are looking simply fine now and you have grown so becomingly stout. Surely you must be feeling much better."

"No, my dear," came the sad answer, accompanied by a heart-rending sigh. "I may look better with added flesh, but it's just that much more to ache."

The cheerful One subsided into a limp heap of sympathetic woe during the remainder of that call.

It's Off to the Eighteenth Amendment.

The lady from Across the Hall has spent much time in a small up-state village, and long mourned the lamentable condition of the village-son. When not in his cups this particular V. S. was the most capable all-around mechanic in a village where every man is a fairly good carpenter, mason, plumber, painter and farmer. But as the years have rolled round Jim has become more and more regular in his attendance on the local bar, and his frail old mother sought more and more washing from summer boarders in a futile effort to support herself and her worthless, if feeble, son. July, 1919, found things in a critical state, and it was confidently expected that Jim, deprived of his usual stimulant, would shortly depart from this vale of tears. His worn-out mother died, and, thrown entirely upon his own resources, with ginger ale and sarsaparilla the only obtainable beverages, Jim surprised everybody. He spruced up a bit, took on an air and became thrifty. Just before the lady from Across the Hall came back to town after a recent week's rest at the same little inn, she sent for Jim to repair her trunk. He heard her speak of going to the store to have a "check cashed." Then to her amazement up spoke Jim. He guessed he could save her that trouble, and, extracting a roll of grasy bills, he cashed a check for one hundred dollars with nonchalance.

It was on the Avenue, where the kings of finance, with princes and underlings, were madly rushing uptown in gorgeous blue, green and gray limousines. The smaller fry, including the Woman, were faintly striving to wend their way through that rash of color, speed and wealth.

One king, intent on getting home before the man in front, in spite of traffic regulations and policemen, failed to notice in his hurry that one of the "lessers" standing by was not of the usual order of New York pedestrians. His roused face, bright blue eyes, his big hands, capable of handling a hatch with ease, his large black Fedora, bigger than they can be bought in New York, proclaimed him a son of the West.

And as the king's limousine brushed on near to this splendid specimen he gave a bound, and with his capable hands caught hold of the wheel, stopping the car, to the absolute bewilderment of the man at the wheel and the keen enjoyment of every one nearby. He held that wheel until he had told the driver what he thought of him and the policeman had blown his whistle three times before he was allowed to move forward.

Farmers With Feedstuffs to Be 'Staked' to Hogs

DALLAS, Jan. 29.—Upwards of 20,000 stock hogs and feeder cattle have been offered for sale in West Texas, farmers having surplus of feedstuffs, according to letters which have been received by the Texas Chamber of Commerce. There is a surplus of stock hogs and cattle in many portions of the state this year, while the grain growing sections of West Texas and the Panhandle have a surplus of feedstuffs. The Texas Chamber of Commerce has made arrangements with the Fort Worth stock yards for a movement of cattle to the sections having abundant feedstuffs.

Within three days after the first notice of this arrangement was dispatched, a number of letters had been received from men having cattle and hogs to sell, and those wishing to buy stock and feeders. Live stock will be handled through the Fort Worth stock yards, and any government loss will be charged on remitting and dipping operations, according to C. C. French of the stock yards company, who is co-operating in this movement.

The chief difficulty, of course, lies in getting extension of credit to farmers wishing to buy stock and feeders. Mr. French will make a trip through West Texas and endeavor to complete arrangements for extension of such credit. The Texas Chamber of Commerce has arranged to Eldred McKinnon of Austin, president of the Texas Bankers' Association, for the assistance of that organization in getting the credit extended to farmers.

Hard Times Specter: "Aw, Shucks! I Can't Make 'Em See Me!"

By MORRIS



BANKRUPTCY OF FRANCE IS NOW THE AIM OF GERMANY

Economic Revenge Plotted by Teutons for Military Disasters Focuses Attention on Today's Conference of Entente Statesmen in Paris.

BY FREDERICK CUNLIFF-LOWEN, in New York Globe.

Since there appears to be a general disposition in America, and also in Great Britain, to regard France as an insupportably exorbitant, and even extortionate, in her demands for the fulfillment of the military, and more particularly the economic, provision to which Germany pledged herself in the treaty of Versailles it may be well to point out that one of the scarcely veiled objects of the Berlin government, and of the junta of hard business interests by which it is dominated and directed, is to drive the national treasury of France into bankruptcy.

All the methodically organized resources of this Teuton combination in Vatelard itself and abroad in Great Britain, Italy, and in America—are being devoted to this end. The most insidious measures and the most ingenious intrigues are being employed in this sinister and unscrupulous campaign, to which many of France's friends here and in Europe are innocently lending themselves, without being awake to its purpose, namely, Germany's determination to retrieve her military defeat of two years ago by driving the French treasury into bankruptcy and thereby wrecking the government of the republic.

France's Future at Stake. It is this that renders the meeting today of the entente premiers in Paris and of their principal ministerial colleagues, so important. It is only right and proper that this conference—the most important, perhaps, of any held since the signature of the treaty of Versailles—should take place on the banks of the Seine. For France is the principal power affected. It is her interests, nay, her entire future, which are more immediately concerned than those of any of her allies.

Her people therefore may congratulate themselves on the advent to power of the new cabinet, in which there are a number of strong men. That of Leygues, which was overthrown the other day through an overwhelming defeat in the chamber of deputies, did not command the popular confidence, or even respect. Georges Leygues is a weak man, who suffered in the eyes of his countrymen through having accepted an enormous legacy from that eccentric and vain-glorious multi-millionaire Hippolyte Caudeville, owner of the huge drugstore empire known as the Grande-Maison in Lyons, whose other bequests to French statesmen, first and foremost President Loubet, were rejected by the legates.

It was quickly appreciated in London and in other foreign capitals that he was not destined to stay. In fact, Lloyd George was so firmly convinced of his own downfall that he insisted on postponing the projected meeting of allied premiers until a new administration came into office at Paris. Indeed, it was the manifest lack of belief in the stability of the Leygues cabinet, indicated by Lloyd George's refusal to fix a date for the conference, that contributed to the popular confidence, or even respect. It is worthy of note that as soon as ever the ministerial crisis in France had matured, and the new cabinet appointed, under the presidency of Aristide Briand, the British government lost no time in agreeing to the long delayed conference of the allied ministers, which is now about to take place in Paris.

British and French to Stay United. Of course the keynote of the meeting will be the unalterable resolve of the British and French people to stand together in mutual defence against Germany. Their respective governments may

differ as to the methods—military, naval, and above all, economic. There may be dissensions in matters of detail, and in connection with the problems of policy in the Near East. But underlying all is the determination to maintain unimpeded, now more so than ever before, the brotherhood of arms between these two great European powers, upon whose mutual understanding the peace of the world so largely depends.

Great Britain cannot afford to have Germany in military or economic control of France, that is to say, within gun range. France on the other hand cannot dispense with the friendship, and above all with the financial support and goodwill of Great Britain. So that no matter how the conference of this week in Paris may turn out, no matter how the members thereof may differ and even dispute, yet the union between England and France will remain unbroken, a union which commands the warm sympathy of the American people, even though American business men may disapprove of the determination of France to enforce the provisions of the treaty of Versailles.

But the most important man of all at the conference will be Louis Loucheur, the new minister for the devastated regions of France, who as one of the peace congress took a leading part in drafting the financial clauses of the treaty of Versailles. He is perfectly willing that Germany should pay part of the installments due under the treaty, in goods; that is to say, coal in lieu of cash, and also chemicals. But there must be monetary payment as well.

He holds, like all other sensible people, that it is not fair that the French should be burdened with taxes twice as heavy as those of the Germans, or that his fellow-countrymen should be compelled to pay more than double for the postage of their letters, and for the fares of passengers and freight on their railroads, than their arch-enemies.

More Luxury Than Ever in Germany.

All the stories of Teuton poverty are preposterous. There is more luxury and more extravagance among the rich today in Germany than even before the war, and when it is borne in mind that she spent last year over a billion of marks in champagne, of which she consumed twice as much as in 1914, and that close upon five hundred million marks were squandered in betting during the racing season which came to an end in the late fall, when her savings banks are showing deposits down and under the amount of ante-bellum days, and her textile industries are paying dividends to an average amount of 35 per cent, it is ridiculous for Germany to declare that she cannot fulfill the economic obligations to which she pledged herself over her signature to the treaty of Versailles.

PROTESTS TO COURT AT LOSS OF HIS CIGAR STUB

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 29.—A protest against removal of his partially smoked cigar from a marble waistcoat in the city and county building by an attaché has been lodged in the county court here. Attorney Frank C. McGier said that before entering the courtroom he had placed his cigar upon the waistcoat and instructed employees not to touch it, but that when he returned the "stump" was missing. "Of course, if you can get the county commissioners to provide some new parking arrangement for your unfinished smokes it will be satisfactory to the court," said Judge Shafter.

SOME FAULTY STATISTICS.

The committee that has startled the country with announcement that the United States of America ranks ninth in the educational level of the world might well have gone more into details. What eight nations lead us and were the tests uniform? If the speaking of more than one language be a test, it is not fair. Some of the European countries are not much larger than Texas counties and the number of tongues compel the use of several languages and dialects in the transaction of ordinary business. Often visitors in America boast that they can speak seven languages, "including English." But their efforts at making themselves intelligible in English arouse suspicion as to their "mastery" of five of the other six languages. The French superintendent of public instruction "intempestively" General Joffe's speech to the Fifth Missouri (afterwards a part of the 125th regiment) on the occasion of the flag presentation at the Coliseum. But it is strange English.

Part of the "statistics" cited in the dispatches is grotesquely used. "While Georgia has 389,000 illiterate," we read, "New York has 408,000." The fact that Georgia has 2,564,083 people of all ages, while New York has 16,238,144, is considered too trivial to mention. That New York's illiteracy is chiefly among foreigners while there is very little illiterate population in Georgia is likewise ignored.

There are several states where illiteracy is negligible. These states cared for the education of their own children. It is not fair to compare these with Georgia, of course, because of peculiar conditions in the former slave state. New York is taking care of the education of all of its young, wherever born. A federal tax would, unless distributed on a per capita basis, be a burden on many states that are educating their own children. It is inconceivable that federal expenditures would be made unconditionally. Regulations would, in course of time, become tantamount to control. And the committee which is urging the matter ought to know this. "Requirements" would be the means of control.

Are we ready to tie not only all business but all law enforcement but even our educational system with bureaucratic red tape at Washington? If we are forced to this step, it should be because of more impressive figures than have been cited.—St. Louis Times.

KING ALEXANDER'S CHAUFFEUR A SUICIDE

By Associated Press

ATHENS, Jan. 29.—The late King Alexander's chauffeur, Miso Dimitriadis, has committed suicide from grief over the death of the king, which it will be recalled, was the result of a monkey's bite.

Miso was King Alexander's inseparable companion on all his automobile rides and motoring was the king's fact. Alexander was, perhaps, the most affable sovereign in Europe and had a talent of making everybody feel at home. He was always very kind to all the members of his household, but seemed more strongly attached to Miso than to any of the others.

When Alexander felt death approaching he called Miso to his bedside and gave him a small gold cross which the King had worn all his life. After the king's death, Miso became inconsolable. The other night while contemplating a photograph of the king he shot himself. A wreath by Madame Manos, King Alexander's widow, was one of the floral offerings at his funeral.

WOMEN'S MEETING.

All women interested in law enforcement, child welfare, social morality, Americanization or the fight against the cigarette are invited to meet at the Baptist church at 3 o'clock Wednesday, February 2.

WHERE ARE THE BILLIONAIRES?

No more disillusionizing disclosure of the limitations of American prosperity could be imagined than that contained in the statement from Washington that "some return of income of \$5,000,000 was filed in the calendar year 1918."

Only one? There should be at least a thousand incomes of this meagre size if popular ideas of swollen fortunes have any basis of fact. Five millions is 5 per cent on only \$100,000,000. Is this the best American genius for finance can do?

Where are the billionaires? Where are the snobs of yesterday? It is to be feared that a good deal of accumulated wealth has melted away under the torrid rays of income tax returns. A large part of it no doubt has been dissolved into Liberty bonds and municipal and other tax-exempt securities; peradventure a lot more has been as wax in the hands of lawyers skilled in transmitting taxable income into non-taxable. What seemed to be assets, and were such for ordinary purposes, very likely assumed the aspect of liabilities under stress of the same artistic manipulation. A fortune like a company surplus, is composed of many elastic ingredients.

None the less, it is a disappointing showing. If \$5,000,000 is the maximum of individual income, where is the boasted expansion of multi-millionaire wealth in half a century? Perhaps it will be more satisfactory to American pride to take the figures exemplifying the development of legal talent rather than as indicating the decadence of a national finance.—New York World.

REFORM TAKES TO THE HIGHWAYS.

There is a depth of illumination in the severance of relations between the league in Kansas that opposes the use of cigarettes and its organizer, a woman who has haunted the legislatures of the United States for twenty years and who is a familiar figure about congressional halls.

Announcement is made that the league will refuse to meet her bills for salary and expenses. On her part she proclaims withdrawal from the state and a march into neighboring Iowa, where she proposes to found a new local league and publish her paper, which is devoted to arguments against the use of tobacco contained in paper cylinders.

All the affairs concerned seem to be established upon a material basis. There is much talk of money and little of morals. The failure of financial support promptly ends striving against what is pronounced by the agitator to be one of the greatest evils of modern society. There are other leagues aimed at other evils which sustain and nourish other organizers. Their common motto is taken from the cry of the daughters of the horse-leech, which, it will be recalled, was: "Give, give, give!"

Reforms which do not sustain themselves through inherent merit, but require constant legislative and incessant evangelization to keep them functioning may safely be set down as of doubtful validity. It is of interest to observe that as this forlorn and shorn Kansas reformer trudges into Iowa the general assembly is taking up the question of repealing all anti-cigarette laws save those which prohibit the sale to and use by minors of the little cigars to transmute their French name.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

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ENGLAND EXTENDS A HAND TO RUSSIA.

There is nothing new in the terms of the preliminary treaty which London proposes to Moscow; evidently the document Krassin took with him to Russia follows the draft tentatively agreed upon last summer. The news that England is still willing to bargain on that basis is, however, most significant. The question of peace or war has been put squarely to the Communists. They can make an amicable arrangement if they choose; if they repudiate this overture they place themselves definitely at odds with a nation inclined toward trade and mutual benefits—also they put themselves definitely in the wrong before the world.

Should Lenin rebuff England now he would prove that he dares not open his borders to free intercourse and the influence of foreign criticism, or else that he is no longer in control of Russia's foreign policy. Undoubtedly the nation as a whole would be better off for a resumption, yet the Bolsheviks may find themselves weakened by such resumption, and they realize that danger. Two nations, trading together, must necessarily have some mutual effect on customs and ideals. Communism, taking a place in the world, will modify itself or die. Lenin's choice is between his party and his ideals—and his country. Compelling testimony, such as that of Isaac Don Levine, depicts Lenin as at present a moderate, desiring trade agreements and opposed to the imperialistic schemes of such ultra-radicals as are to be found on the extraordinary commission.

The terms specify the cessation of hostilities and propaganda, an end to the blockade, open ports for trade, renewal of postal and telegraph facilities, a clearing out of mines in the Baltic, and an exchange of information concerning them. More important are Russia's promise to pay the claims of "private persons who have supplied goods or services to Russia," which means an acknowledgment of the debts of the old empire, and England's promise not to attach shipments of specie sent in payment for British goods. The acknowledgment of the czar's obligations may or may not mean anything in the unsettled state of European finance, but the conclusion of a formal treaty would be most improbable were this section omitted.—New York Globe.

ROBBED IN JAIL.

STURTEVILLEN, Ohio, Jan. 29.—Lawrence Shields supposed jail was one place in the world where he would not be molested by thugs, but he changed his mind early the other day when, he says, he was awakened in the local county lock-up by three negroes, one of whom had a foot on his neck while the two others went through his pockets. The robbers, Shields says, took \$23 and his gold watch.

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ONE TEXAN HAD MILLION DOLLAR INCOME IN 1919

Texas Ranks Ninth Among States in Tax Yield to Uncle Sam.

Special to the Times. WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—The wealth of Texas in succinctly shown by the statistics of income taxes paid by the citizens of that state for 1919, announced today by the commissioner of internal revenue.

Although the names of taxpayers are not revealed, the law requiring that income tax returns be held confidential, the report shows that one person in Texas paid taxes on an income of more than \$1,000,000 and less than \$1,500,000. The record return for 1919 on an income was for the highest class under the law, \$5,000,000 or over.

Other large returns from Texas include one in the class of \$750,000 and \$1,000,000; one in the class of \$400,000 and \$500,000; and three in the class between \$300,000 and \$400,000. The above returns have been grouped to conceal the net income and the identity of the taxpayer.

Other classes which were not grouped, showing large returns from Texas, include three in the class of \$250,000 to \$300,000; seven in the class of \$200,000 to \$250,000; ten in the class of \$150,000 to \$200,000; twenty-five in the class of \$100,000 to \$150,000 and eight in the class of \$50,000 to \$100,000.

Smallest Most Numerous.

The largest number of returns from the state were those in the class of \$1,000 to \$2,000, numbering 25,287, whose personal exemption and dividends exceeded their net income. The largest number of tax payers in the state in a single class was 20,346, who filed returns on incomes between \$2,000 and \$3,000.

Of the 4,425,114 persons who filed income tax returns in 1919, 114,500 live in Texas, or 2.59 per cent of the total for the nation. The total net income of Texas men and women making returns was \$302,975,557, which was 2.47 per cent of the total income for the entire country during that period. Taxes paid a total tax on personal income, after exemptions, of \$21,575,479. This was 1.91 per cent of the total.

Ranked Ninth.

Texas ranked ninth among the states in tax yield, being exceeded only by California, Illinois, Massachusetts, Michigan, New Jersey, New York, Ohio and Pennsylvania.

Texas corporations filed returns showing net incomes for the year 1919 of \$124,123,481. This added to the \$392,957,557 personal returns makes a total of \$517,080,928, or 2.13 per cent of the total net income of the nation. The total net income tax returns paid by individuals and corporations in Texas amounts to \$50,235,968, or 1.21 per cent of the nation's total.

The year 1917 was the banner year for Texas corporations, the 1916 figures showing a decrease both in the number of returns, the net income and the tax paid, and but a slight increase over the figure for 1916. The number of corporations filing returns in 1916 was 8,698 in 1917, 9,059, and in 1918, 8,198. The net income of corporations reporting in 1916 was \$125,701,825; \$200,191,837 in 1917 and \$124,123,481 in 1918.

The tax yield from Texas corporations showed a marked increase during the last year, which of course can be accounted for in the increased tax rate. In 1917 the taxes paid amounted to \$2,352,057 in 1918, \$36,004,201, and \$34,459,589 in 1919.

Joint Returns.

The number of joint returns of husbands and wives, with or without dependent children, and of husbands whose wives, though living with them, filed separate returns from Texas, was 74,734, with a net income of \$205,557,872. The number of single men, heads of families, was 7,695, with a net income of \$20,320,217. The number of single women heads of families, was 5,689, with a net income of \$12,281,875. All other single men filing returns numbered 19,609, with a net income of \$45,787,908. All other single women numbered 6,381, with a net income of \$10,287,428. The number of wives making separate returns from their husbands was 482, with a net income of \$2,739,997.

OLDEST ACTIVE MARINE IN UNITED STATES SERVICE AT AGE OF EIGHTY-TWO



Sergeant Henry Hollowell, of McPherson, Kan., who, at eighty-two, is the oldest marine in active service. As erect and soldierly in appearance as the day he stood as orderly to President Buchanan at the White House, Sergeant Hollowell clearly typifies the healthy outdoor lives of the "Soldiers of the Sea." His first enlistment is dated May 28, 1860, and since that time he has taken part in every "scrap" in which the "Devil Dogs" engaged.

B. AND W. M. CLUB HAS OPEN MEET MONDAY NIGHT

The Business and Working Men's club is again coming to life.

The officers of the club have held several meetings during the past week or two, and for Monday night they have sent out a call to all members or those wishing to become members to report at the Moose hall. At that time, it is said, several local issues will come up for discussion.

While no official announcement has been made to that effect, it is believed that the club will consider the most logical candidate for mayor, to be elected in April, and may consider throwing its weight to the support of the man decided upon, provided he can be induced to make the race.

While it is thought this action will be taken, the club was not organized as a political body. Its aim at that time was to boost the city and to do what it could to overcome several drawbacks that were hindering progress.

Shortly after it came into being its members with picks and shovels and wagons, moved the mud from two blocks of Main street. To improve moral conditions it at one time petitioned the governor to send Rangers into this section.

HER STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE LANDED 'MILLIONAIRE KID'

LYNN, Mass., Jan. 29.—Walter B. Williams, known as "the millionaire kid of Lynn," will be married Feb. 10 to Miss Sani Bakeman, seventeen years old and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bakeman of Brookline and Clifton. Mr. Williams is twenty-two years old, and he told newspaper reporters yesterday that when Miss Bakeman was fifteen years old she made such lovely strawberry shortcake that he at once fell in love with her. Miss Bakeman is a senior at the Brookline high school.

The wedding will be one of the most elaborate of recent date in Essex county. Mr. Williams is associated with his father in the wool stock business in Chelsea. He was the principal beneficiary of the will of his foster-parent, William W. Williams, a member of the shoe manufacturing concern of William Clark company. Upon acquiring the money, Williams became known as "the millionaire kid of Lynn" because he took extensive vacations and long motor trips. He was much sought after by young women who considered him a good "catch," but he displayed no particular interest in any girl until he made the acquaintance of Miss Bakeman.

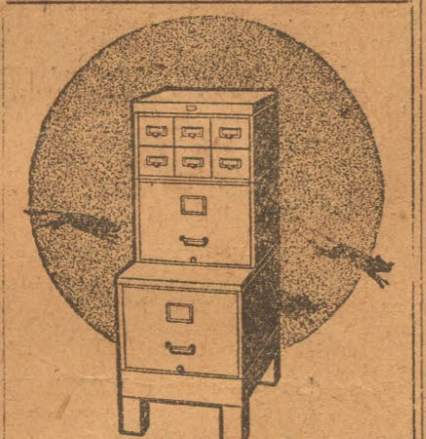
SETS HOUSE AFIRE AFTER QUARREL WITH WIFE

OMAHA, Jan. 29.—Thomas W. Wilson, 34, automobile mechanic, confessed that he set fire to his father-in-law's home yesterday in the hope that he might bring about a reconciliation with his wife by rescuing her and their 2-week-old baby.

"I thought if the house caught fire I could go back and save her and the baby," Wilson was quoted as saying. "Then we would go back together again."

Wilson did not make the rescue. Firemen reached the scene so promptly it was not necessary.

Wilson, charged with arson, is held under \$2,500 bond for action by District court.



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CHICKEN SHOW WOULD CREATE CIVIC PRIDE

Since the meeting of several poultry and pet stock fanciers last Wednesday, with the idea in view to stage a poultry show shortly, much interest is being shown by many others who were not at the meeting.

The general opinion is that such a show will be an aid to the "back to the farm move," causing folks going on farms to stock only good breeds of chickens, as well as induce many town dwellers to raise a few good hens in their back yards.

Another good feature that is seen in the move is that it will unite many in a common cause who are now strangers, thus helping to mold the entire citizenship into a finer weaved and therefore stronger agency for progress.

Just Naturally Gravitated.

In support of this it is declared that folks with common aims just naturally gravitate towards one another, and continue to gravitate until the majority engaged in a common end are almost one—that persons with a mania for raising fine chickens, as an example are anxious to meet with their own kind.

On next Wednesday a second meeting will be held by those interested in forming a poultry and pet stock association and a show in the spring. At that time final plans for the move will be accented and put into effect or the idea will be dropped altogether. Everyone who has any desire to enter into such a plan are invited to meet at the Chamber of Commerce rooms on that date at 2 o'clock.

CALLS ON KENTUCKIANS TO FIGHT MOONSHINERS

FRANKFORT, Ky., Jan. 29.—Gov. Morrow has issued a proclamation to "The People of Kentucky," calling upon them to assist in suppressing moonshiners and bootleggers, whose operations, he declares, amount to a flaunting challenge to the state's power to enforce the prohibition law.

The governor asserts that the prohibition law is being brazenly, notoriously, impudently and openly violated in Kentucky and that moonshiners and bootleggers and those allied with them are determined to make their will superior to the law, which "strikes at the source of all public authority."

"Confronted with this situation," the proclamation says, "I call to the conscience of the commonwealth. The will of the people in Kentucky must and shall be made superior to the purposes of an outlawed traffic. The power of the bootlegger and the moonshiner must be made to bend before the sovereign law of the commonwealth."

The government introduced an unusual wrinkle in prohibition law enforcement when it seized two farms on which illicit whisky stills were found. One in Nelson county consists of 500 acres and the other, in Bullitt county, contains fifty-six acres. The owners may redeem their property upon payment of penalties of \$1,600.

WOMAN MAY ASSIST PROSECUTION IN TRIAL OF CLARA SMITH HAMON

OKLAHOMA CITY, Jan. 28.—For the first time in history the possibility of a woman prosecuting a woman on a charge of murder looms up in the case of the state against Clara Smith Hamon for killing Jake L. Hamon, Oklahoma oil millionaire and politician, which will be tried early in March.



Mrs. Kathryn Van Leuven is an assistant attorney general to Attorney General S. P. Freeling, who is in charge of the prosecution, and will personally handle the case. Attorney Freeling has stated that he would not ask Mrs. Van Leuven to assist in the prosecution, but it is understood that efforts have been made, however, to have her appear as one of the state's attorneys.

"Clara Smith is a modern vampire and ought to be prosecuted to the full extent of the law for her crime," Mrs. Van Leuven was reported to have said. "If I am assigned to the case I will do my best to obtain a conviction, but I hope that someone else takes the case, as all the circumstances leading up to and surrounding the murder of Jake Hamon are revolting, and I would hate to rehearse them."

But although Mrs. Van Leuven thought she could prosecute Clara Smith without any pangs of conscience, she would not have trusted a woman jury to return a verdict of guilty. "Women are sentimental," she says.

'PUSSYFOOT' JOHNSON SAYS WORLD WAITS FOR N. Y. TO TAKE LEAD IN PROHI MOVE

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—"If prohibition is enforced in New York city as thoroughly as it is in other parts of America, the entire world will follow in our footsteps. But if America fails civilization at this supreme moment, the cause of prohibition is dead for a hundred years."

Thus spoke William E. ("Pussyfoot") Johnson at the Union Ministers' meeting at the Marble Collegiate church, who told the ministers that England is laughing at lurid stories of the abject failure to enforce the eighteenth amendment here.

Told Situation is Appalling. "The people in England are told that conditions in the United States are growing worse daily," continued the man who lost an eye in the cause of prohibition in England. "They are informed that more whisky is consumed than ever before, that the situation is appalling. The stories come over the cable from New York, written by correspondents of London papers."

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this country. The industrial condition in America, had as it may be, is on a much better plane than that of any European nation."

Mr. Johnson quoted Premier Lloyd George as telling a friend that if prohibition in America really prohibits England would follow within ten years. He urged that more stringent efforts be made to enforce the Volstead act, declaring that upon its success rests the cause of prohibition in the old world as well as the new.

Anderson's Resolution Adopted.

Seven resolutions introduced by William H. Anderson, superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League, were passed unanimously by the ministers. The first commended Governor Miller for his stand on enforcement of prohibition, the second condemned newspapers that are opposing prohibition in such a way as to encourage disobedience, the others recommended that a city ordinance be passed for the removal of screens from saloons, and that a citywide organization be formed to obtain enforcement, that the mayor be sustained in every way in trying to enforce the law, that even opponents of prohibition be urged to stand for enforcement of the law, "just because it is a law," and that a committee of three ministers be appointed to speak at public hearings before the legislature and the aldermen.

Mr. Anderson urged that all efforts for law enforcement should be concentrated on this city.

New York Weakest Link.

"We have a harder task," he said, "but a greater leverage, and this city is going to determine whether prohibition will succeed in America. America is not measured by Kansas, but by New York, and a chain is no stronger than its weakest link."

He concluded by issuing an ultimatum to all those not in favor of the enforcement law "to go voluntarily, or we will send them, where we put Emmig Goldman, for instance, who now resides, according to letters, that she was better off in America in jail than she is in Russia free."

MESSAGE FROM CHINAMAN DEAD 2,000 YEARS CAUSES ARREST OF AMERICAN

CHICAGO, Jan. 29.—The testimony of the shade of the late Woo Long Ping, who died two thousand years ago in China, resulted today in the coroner's jury ordering a warrant issued for the arrest of Arthur Williams on the charge of murder.

Chin Ding, a Chinaman, was beaten to death in his restaurant recently. Toy Fong, Oriental waiter and Ding's friend, told the coroner's jury that Woo Long Ping, through a medium, told him that Williams, formerly a porter in the restaurant, had done the deed.

Chin Ding, the slain Chinaman, is a direct descendant of the late Woo Long Ping.

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Remember how many times last year you sat in the grandstand and cursed? Cursed because a man was on third with none down and not a batter on the lot able to bring him across the pan?

Mister, we make a prediction. It won't happen this year. Sled Allen, the backstopping boss the Nitros have landed, played on the buntingest team that ever broke the heart of a major league pitcher. Down at Houston from 1913 to 1916 was where Sled played. In those days Johnny Fillman and Hunter Hill were telling the athletes what to do. They believed in the one-run-at-a-time game.

Result: They hung up records for runs scored and games won and pennants mailed to the fagpole. Along about that time it was a poor year for Houston if they were down as far as second.

Naturally, one Mr. Allen is going to believe in the bunting game. He knows what it can do. Not, of course, the 100

percent and unanimous lay-on-down attack, but a dash of slow and teasing rollers dropped in when they'll do the most good.

Whitman and Red Davis and Britton and Pat Newman and Sled Allen and others made the night before the Houston game a night of torture for aspiring servers. They know their only hope of winning was to keep those Buffaloes off the paths, and they couldn't keep 'em off because those Buffs were no specialists. They were ball-busters who weren't averse to lobbing it down the line when occasion demanded. That's the trouble with so many players, they don't think it's mainly to tap the pellet gently.

Next year Sled Allen and the other West Texas towns will see some science in attack. That's the prophecy. Sled got a good job to come out here and make himself a solid home in Ranger. He's not going to let any benched and egotistical phenoms break it up for him.

MIDDLEWEIGHT BOXERS SLATED FOR SHAKE-UP; SPORT WRITERS PICK FRISCO LAD NEXT CHAMP

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—Middleweight champion Johnny Wilson came out of his lethargy the other night and confounded to defend his title against a fighter rated lower than himself. Joe Chip it was, and the best Wilson could do was to go the scheduled ten rounds with his man and get the popular decision.

Which forebodes, to our mind, a change of championship before this year of 1921 has spent its days. The middleweight class, which has lain so dormant for these many days, is showing signs of life, and it's for the best. It will mean the resurrection of a class that held many illustrious characters as leaders, but which has since fallen into what might be termed, questionable hands. Guess trouble in the point of general fighting ability of those who were recognized as the champions.

From good old Stanley Ketchel to Johnny Wilson is a far cry. From Bob Fitzsimmons down to the present incumbent it's still a farther one. But in the offing there is bobbing up a man who may come forth to dim the memory of such great masters as those we have mentioned. He's an American one who had to go far away from home to prove he had the goods.

Billy Spade Is the Fellow.

He's Billy Spade of San Francisco, who since early last year has been campaigning in distant Australia. We're talking the word of Australian fight circles for the greatness of Spade. Guess he should know a fighter, for haven't they seen such stars as Peter Jackson, Bob Fitzsimmons, Dan Creedon and Leo Darcey rise out of their country to become world famous?

Four times did Spade fight in the Antipodes and four times he came home a winner over the best men they have in that country. In his first three starts he was a long shot, but in his last match, which was against Francis Charles, the French middleweight champion, he was the choice. He fulfilled the expectations of his followers by winning in the tenth round.

When an American writer would ever venture to compare his young American with their own idol of a few years ago, Leo Darcey, Spade must be more than ordinary. And now listen to what such a world-renowned critic as W. F. Corbett said of this boy after the American had achieved the Australian pride, Fred Kay, in fifteen rounds:

"In his career, in the naturalness of his ease, Spade is the finest man. He is a Leo Darcey in his foundations, which have yet to be thoroughly built upon. A good deal about him suggests that wonderful ringer we had, whom Australia will never forget. Spade is much the same sort of fellow temperamentally. He is similarly gifted physically, and possesses all Darcey's attributes. He loves the game for its own sweet sake, and is a fighter to the core because so very aggressive. What was possible to Darcey might be possible to Spade.

Darcey had been in the ring more or less for five years. Another two or three years, if nothing untoward occurs, will see a great improvement in him—see him, perhaps, where Darcey must have reached had he survived—at top of the world's ladder. Further, Spade is as clean a living boy as was Leo Darcey.

To Return Home.

Spade may be back in his own country before long, and then we shall see if he measures up to what our Australian cousins tell us he is. He'll find plenty of contention in the class in which he climbed to fame.

If he is all that he is said to be it may be that the close of 1921 will find him such a champion of the middleweights as to be proud of. Just now Tex Rickard is trying to bring about some action in the division, and his efforts may not be in vain, for he has succeeded in bringing a six-fighting fight to the coast to begin a series of bouts. The newcomer is Battling Orlino, who is something his adopted first name implies. This fellow is certainly a rough and ready fighter. Class means nothing to him. The reputation of an opponent doesn't heighten respect.

We recall a bout he had with Ted ("Kid") Lewis, then the welterweight champion of the world, and a challenger

of all middleweights. Was Ortega awed by the presence of such a great one as Lewis? Not a mite. As a mere novice he sought nothing in the way of consideration from his famous foe. He just started after Lewis in his usual style and honestly he beat him.

Baits the Champion.

At the end of one round, as the fighting ended in Lewis' corner, and he had peppered Ted with everything he had, he turned to the champion and said, "So you are the champion. How come?"

It was only a four-round bout and was called a draw, much to the advantage of Lewis. Had it been as it should have been Ortega would have shown the champion of his laurels. This Ortega is in reality only a welterweight, being able to scale 150 pounds with ease. But he wants the middleweights.

And just by way of showing that Ortega is a tough one, it may be mentioned that he stopped Marty Farrell, the wonderfully clever New Yorker in two rounds, who took Mike O'Dowd, then the middleweight champion, ten rounds to a draw and beat Soldier Bartfield.

There's another tough one in the middleweight ranks. Besides Champion Wilson there is Mike O'Dowd, Angie Ratner, Tommy Robson, the rejuvenated Marty Farrell and a few others, whose names do not at present occur to us. Enough, though, to make a most interesting tournament, or series of fights, from which many emerge in the same breath with the Fitzsimmons, Ketchel, Papke, Thomases, Creedons and such.

And, by way of picking and having our judgment of who has been delivered to us from far Australia and what we heard of the boy from Harry Lee, now of Los Angeles, who refereed many bouts for him, it's our guess that Billy Spade will triumph in the end.

The Famous Knockdown.

Nothing since Packey McFarland got a black eye at the hands of Kid Burns, has caused so much chatter in pugilistic circles as that knockdown of Richie Mitchell scored over Champion Benny Leonard the other night.

It was a very embarrassing thing to Benny, but what a wad of dough it is going to bring him! It has embittered the other lightweights. Their knees have stiffened since they looked upon such a scene and they want to get the chance to knock Benny down, too. They are craving for the chance, believing they can duplicate the feat, for surely enough to make Benny stay down for the count of ten.

"If I'd only been in there when Mitchell scored that knockdown!" grieves the lightweights. They infer that they would have settled the job. Now they want the chance. The more the merrier for Benny. The heavier will his bankroll grow.

But a bit of advice to them. Benny isn't going to get so careless again. And it is our own view that Tendler et al will, if they love safety, adhere to their fabulous demands for a bout. It is the best way to keep them out of the ring with the champion.

CHICAGO, Jan. 29.—Cy Perkins, Connie Mack's brilliant young catcher is later for outlaw baseball in 1921, according to whispering from Franklin, Pa. Promoters of the independent circuit claim Perkins has already signed a contract. For other major league stars are on the list.

Hugh Duffy is a pretty busy man. The Red Sox tender, who always has been a favorite with Hub, is getting dozens of letters from aspiring youngsters who want a thorough tryout when the weather warms up.

Miller Huggins is reported to be ready to offer Walter Pipp and Franklin Baker for the services of Joe Judge. Griffith, however, says he won't consider the offer, although many of the experts are inclined to disagree with his judgment.

Tris Speaker is reported to be after Smoot, who played third base for the Tigers last season. Detroit sent him to Oakland and Speaker wants Pinelli in completion of the Louis Guisto deal.

FIRST SHOOT OF RANGER GUN CLUB TODAY

The Ranger Gun club will hold its first shoot this afternoon at the grounds selected and put in shape on the Hodges farm, just south of town. All members and new friends they would like to take out will meet at the Popular store on Austin street Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. All interested are welcome to attend but only members and out-of-town guests will be permitted to shoot.

Prizes will be given for the three highest scores, and a prize will be given at the end of two months to the member who has shown the most consistent improvement.

The club starts off in fine shape at the Hodges grounds. A range has been chosen about seventy-five yards square and flags are posted to show bounds. Trap houses and traps have been installed and are in readiness for the shoot. In addition, there is a three-room house which was donated by Mr. Robinson. This will be fixed over and made into a comfortable club house. The grounds, Secretary Schwartz says, can be easily located by the club flag of red and white, floating from the flagpole in the center of Hodges farm.

All members are expected to bring their own guns, but ammunition will be purchasable at the club rooms.

CROOKED SOX PUNISHMENT UP TO LANDIS

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—What is going to happen to the indicted members of the Chicago White Sox?

Persistent reports from Chicago indicate that the Cook county authorities have definitely pigeonholed the indictments on the ground that they are worthless and that if brought to trial the men would be acquitted, have reawakened interest in their cases today.

Regardless of whether or not Chicago authorities bring the indicted players to trial, organized baseball is expected to act, and that with dispatch.

Judge K. M. Landis, who now rules the national pastime with absolute power, will undoubtedly take official action regarding the status of the Sox players.

With the annual pilgrimages of major league teams to the training camps little more than a month away, definite action is expected within the next few weeks.

Several members of the indicted team have been quoted frequently to the effect that they have unexpired contracts and have to return to the game next season.

Four members of the Chicago team—Waver, McMiller, Risberg and Felsch—are prepared to make a legal fight if they are ousted, according to a Chicago attorney who represents them.

It is believed that baseball will welcome such action. Charles A. Comiskey will be backed by organized baseball if action is brought against him by any of the players, or if he seeks redress against them for damages done to his ball club and its reputation. Organized baseball has already set aside a fund of \$100,000 which has been placed at the disposal of Judge Landis "to clean up baseball and keep it clean."

BANCROFT RETIRES AFTER THIRTY YEARS WITH REDS

CINCINNATI, Jan. 29.—Frank Behle, for many years prominent in semi-pro and amateur baseball circles in this city, will succeed the veteran Frank Bancroft as business manager of the Cincinnati National league baseball club.

This announcement was made today by President August Herrmann. Bancroft will be retired on a substantial pension as a reward for his thirty years of faithful service.

The announcement of the retirement of Frank Bancroft as active business manager of the Cincinnati Reds will be received throughout the baseball world with deep regret, tempered by a feeling of pleasure over the fact that he retires on a substantial pension.

"Benny," as he has always been known, is one of the pioneers of the game. Many years ago he managed the Providence club, then in the big league, and won a championship. It was this club which hung up a record of eighteen consecutive victories which stood as the big league record until it was shattered by McGraw's famous twenty-six timers.

"Benny" has been identified with the Cincinnati club for thirty years. He has seen the old game reach its present status from a back lot pastime. He has known and been associated with all the great stars of baseball from Radbourne down to the newcomers of last fall.

LENIN DEAD, STILL RUMOR, BUT MOSCOW FLOUTS IT

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 29.—Reports of the death of Nikolai Lenin are persisting, says a Helsinki dispatch to the Berlingske Tidende. The anti-Bolshevik press asserts it has further evidence of death. It is said Lenin has not attended recent meetings of the Soviet government officials, which were presided over by Trotzky. The reports of the death of Lenin and of a recent attempt to assassinate him are characterized in a Moscow wireless dispatch as "fantastic rumors."

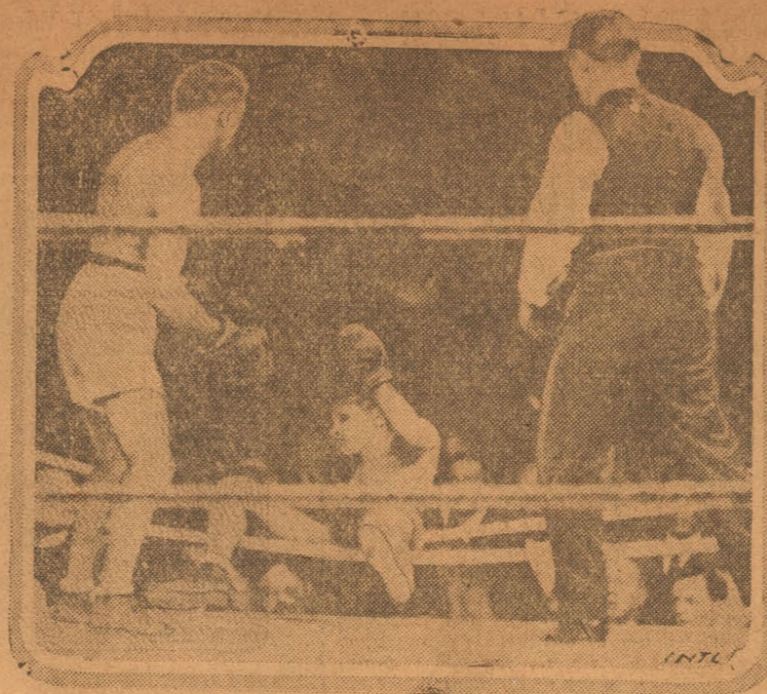
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"I don't spend as much money on my girl as I used to a couple of years ago."

"How's that?"

"Well, I used to bring her candy when she was president over by Trotzky. I called. Now she's satisfied with a pack of cigarettes."—American Legion Weekly.

AMERICAN STOPS BRITISHER IN 17th



During the seventeenth round of their scheduled twenty-round bout at Albert Hall, London, Pete Herman, former American bantamweight champion, knocked Jimmy Wilde, the British flyweight champion, to the canvas three times. When the British champion had been floored for the third time the referee stopped the fight, which credited Herman with a technical knockout. The photograph shows the first knockdown in the seventeenth round.

ST. LOUIS PENNANT HOPES FOR YEAR LIE IN PITCHING STAFF

With Walter Reuther going to the Superbas, Eppa Rixey to the Reds and Jimmy Ring to the Phillies in important National league winter trades, Branch Rickey scouts a secret plot blocking his plans to hoist the Cardinals up to the pennant notch for 1921. Despite the fact that the Cards staggered home tied with the Cubs for fifth place last autumn with a percentage of 75.79, 487, they must be regarded with the pennant prospects for this summer. They need principally a pitcher and they were bidding for Walter Reuther, Eppa Rixey and Jimmy Ring. One of that trio added to the Cards' staff would put the task squarely up to Rickey's managerial ability.

Rickey Still Trails a Pitcher.

The Cardinals' batting power cannot be denied. It was a mighty attack last season—the best in the league at an average of .280, 15 more runs than the club that won the pennant; first in total bases; first in doubles, second in triples, and fourth in home runs. The value of home runs, however, is not so important unless there are other leading departments for the Phillies were circuit sumpsters and they were last in the pennant race.

It was a different story in field—the Cardinals last. And those two points usually run together—weak fielding with weak pitching.

The pitching as it stands is not a total liability as Rixey and Bill Dobb, Fred Schum, Jess Haines and Bill Shovel, it requires another topnotcher, a reliable, experienced hurler, and Rickey negotiated until he was groggy for Rixey, Ring and Reuther.

The other clubs are accused of ignoring the Cards' bids for pitching strength owing to the refusal of Rickey to part with Rogers Hornsby.

Close observers believe the Superbas will need more than their strong ball staff to return as champions next fall.

In dealing for the desired pitcher there is but one club available for trading. It is Brooklyn. The Cubs naturally will not listen to anything for Alexander and Vaughn, and that's all they want; the Giants offer bench warmers and rookery outfielders in their offers; and the Braves, barring Danna Fillington and George McQuillan have nothing attractive.

And developing pitchers is not as easy as it looks. Out of the 24 listed as regulars last season but one was an addition to the ranks, and he was Jess Haines. Rickey had hopes of acquiring Reuther when the Superbas spotted the deal. Next came the sweep that sent Eppa Rixey to the Reds in exchange for Ring and Neale.

BOSTON SHORTSTOP GOES TO PITTSBURG; SAYS HE'S PLEASED

BOSTON, Jan. 29.—"Rabbit" Maranville was more nearly reconciled today to his passing to the Pittsburgh Pirates from the Boston Braves, with whom he had won fame as a shortstop. "While I'd rather remain in Boston, I'll be tickled to death to go to Pittsburgh if things are fixed up satisfactorily by both clubs," said the Rabbit at his home in Springfield today.

Outfielders Bill Cantwell and Fred Nicholson and infielder Walter Barbara are the players who come here in exchange.

Belsazzar saw the handwriting on the wall.

"Orderly," he commanded, "go find that soldier and tell him he's just been appointed Chief Intelligence Officer."—American Legion Weekly.

NO NATURE FAKING IN THESE WILD BEARS, HOUSE HEARS

Yellowstone Park Grizzlies Resent Being Kicked. So Appropriations Committee Gives Funds to Pay Ranger for Protecting Tourists.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—Here is a nature lesson from the records of hearings before the ponderous appropriations committee of the House of Representatives.

"Yes, M. Albright, superintendent of Yellowstone park, was testifying. He had asked an appropriation for the pay of rangers. Members of the committee wanted to know what rangers did to earn salaries. Mr. Albright explained they protected campers against bears.

"Wild bears?" inquired Representative Walter W. Magee, Republican, New York.

"Yes, they're wild," Albright replied.

"Grizzlies, too?"

"Yes, the grizzlies are particularly wild."

"Why," a committee man remarked,

Much Discussed Headlock Supreme Wrestling Hold

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—The much discussed headlock is still supreme in wrestling.

This punishing grip enabled Ed Lewis to retain the championship after he had fought a losing battle with Earl Caddock, former titleholder. The fall came in one hour, thirty-four minutes and fifty seconds.

Outclassed until the last five minutes of wrestling, and repeatedly within a fraction of an inch of defeat, it was the headlock plus an advantage of forty pounds in weight that finally gave the "Strangler" the victory. After the fall Caddock was unconscious for nearly half a minute and it was five minutes before he was able to leave the mat.

As had been foreseen, the contest resolved itself into one hold—the headlock—against a large part of the repertoire of "the man of a thousand holds." Caddock employed perhaps a hundred different holds, including even the headlock. And Lewis showed no liking for his own medicine.

Weighing but 185 to Lewis' 228, Caddock swarmed all over the champion from the start and gave the greatest exhibition of scientific grappling ever seen here.

Several times the challenger had the match all but won, only to have his opponent struggle out of a dangerous hold through sheer strength. On a few occasions early in the bout, Lewis applied his headlock, Caddock easily throwing it off.

Five minutes before the end Caddock obtained a toe hold. He tortured Lewis until great beads of sweat broke out on the latter's face. Reference Bethner asked the champion if he wished to quit, and Lewis, his face twisted with agony, negatively shook his head.

The "Strangler" heaved himself to his feet, threw himself at Caddock and applied a headlock. Three times the challenger tore himself from the vice of Lewis' arms, greatly weakening each time. The fourth time they crashed to the floor, and it was needless for Bethner to declare the winner.

McGraw's Summer Baseball School Results in Adding Three Rookies to Giants

Kindergarten Classes at Polo Grounds Last Year Developed Three Possible Stars Who Will Go to Spring Camp.

BY HOWARD T. KELLY.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—John (Mugsy) McGraw, who has been dealing mostly in baseball for the last twenty-odd years, is always at his endless task of scouting for new blood for his Giants. He employs all the old tricks of the business and very often he invents some ways of his own.

At the tail end of last season he established a kindergarten session at the Polo grounds, where, under the shrewd baseball optics of one Jesse Burkett, some seventy-five youngsters were corralled to give an account of themselves on the diamond for future reference.

McGraw went into the highways and byways, the bushes and hedges and quite a few sand lots to recruit his kindergarten classes. The kiddies had a great time playing to about 40,000 empty seats and swatting the horsehide furnished by the Giant club around the lot. They were all more or less given to weaving dreams in which they strutted about in Giant uniforms as big league stars.

Well, at least three of the seventy-five will see a part of their dreams materialized, for three of the kindergarten class were measured today for Giant uniforms and will go south with McGraw and his crew migrate to Texas in March.

Robert C. Barcroft of Lawrence, Mass.; Robert W. Grody of this city,

and Howard L. Burkett of Worcester, Mass., are the boys who were lucky enough to be asked to append their signatures to a Giant contract.

Barcroft plays his baseball trade in the outfield and is described as a speedy fielder and base runner besides having a good eye for hitting. Grody hails from the pitching boxes of sundry local sand lots and is credited with being a very promising right-hander.

Howard L. Burkett is a son of Jesse himself and works in the infield. Perhaps paternal modesty prevented Jesse Burkett from giving an elaborate description of his offspring's diamond qualities, but he is listed as a very sure infielder with lots of pep and speed. It's a safe bet that he will make good in fast company if he has inherited any of the baseball stuff that made his dad famous as a hitter and outfielder.

This kindergarten stunt of McGraw's just reveals one more phase of the "Little Napoleon's" alertness to the possibilities of "discovering" wood baseball material. He is at this kind of stuff all the time. It was said today at Giant headquarters that these boys would go down to Texas for final inspection. If they are still too young in the ways for major league appearance they will be farmed out to the minors until ready for the big show.

He just did come around for the start of the fifth.

Still dazed, he tore in and during a mixup dropped the Mexican in his own corner. He knocked him stiff.

McGovern didn't recover fully until an hour after the fight. It was the nearest thing to defeat that Terry had met up to that time.

In his very next fight he was knocked out by Young Corbett.

With a bit cooler head that night Herrera would have been world's champion featherweight.

A wonderful fellow this Herrera. He trained for fights but drank whisky like a Forty-niner.

He won more than half his fights with knockouts. He engaged in seventy-six battles and forty-four of them ended with his opponent on the floor.

Among his victims were Toby Irwin, Kid Broad, Eddie Santry, Kid Abel, Benny Yanger, Kid Farmer, Young Corbett and Jack Clifford.

He fought Bat Nelson and lost the decision, but in one of the early rounds hit the Dane on the jaw and the latter hit the floor HEAD FIRST. He landed right on top of his head, but he managed to get to his feet again before ten. No one but Nelson could have recovered from such a wallop.

There was something lacking in Herrera though. He had the punching power but he couldn't control himself. A champion must have something besides the punch.

TAD'S TID-BITS

The Hardest Hitting Lightweight.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—Aurelio Herrera, of Bakersfield, Cal., was the hardest hitter the lightweight division ever saw.

It was around 1900 that this Mexican attracted the attention of San Francisco promoters. He had been going like wildfire in his home town, knocking out every opponent the fight promoters of the South could dig up.

Herrera at this time was a featherweight and Terry McGovern was cock of the walk.

Jim Cofforth saw the drawing power of a match between the pair and put them on. The fight was held in Mechanics' Pavilion and those who saw it will never forget that night.

Sam Harris almost turned gray that night and Joe Humphreys, who was also with Terry, lost half his hair. The other two he still has.

McGovern won in the fifth round with a K. O. It was Herrera's first defeat.

It was a gala night. Mexicans, ranchers, cowboys and business men from Bakersfield crowded the Pavilion to bet on and cheer for their man. It was a most exciting affair. Sam Harris bet McGovern's end on his man and had no trouble finding betting men.

It was a slam bang affair from the start. Terry trading with the Mexican and getting by with an even score. Near the close of the fourth round Herrera caught McGovern with a right on the ear. Terry's knees sagged and he grabbed the ropes to save himself from falling.

The place was a madhouse. McGovern, groggy and ready to fall, tried to grab his opponent to clinch. The latter wildly swung a right that grazed the champion's chin.

THE BELL.

McGovern heard it but stood still. Sam Harris rushed over and pulled Terry from the ropes and led him back to his corner. Terry reeled like a drunken man. He barely made the stool. He was soaked with water and rubbed, given smelling salts and fanned.

HORNSBY SIGNS CONTRACT WITH ST. LOUIS CARDS

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 29.—Rogers Hornsby, infielder and champion batsman of the National league, today signed a contract to play with the local Nationals for the forthcoming season. He was the first Cardinal player to sign up for 1921.

The New York Nationals recently offered \$200,000 and four players for Hornsby, but the offer was turned down.

With the cessation of activities on all war fronts, Russia is now left without a war.

MOTOR SCOOTING BECOMES POPULAR AT PALM BEACH



While half the country is shivering from the cold, many society folks are enjoying refreshing dips in the waters off Palm Beach, motoring, and other pastimes. Mrs. J. F. Zimmerman, of Philadelphia and New York, and Mrs. Archibald McNeill Jr., of Bridgeport, Conn., who were among the early arrivals at Palm Beach, photographed when about to start for a spin over the boulevard on scoot motors.

The scooter is becoming popular at the famous resort and many prominent folks have taken to the fad.

Holy Smoke! Girls Bar Tobacco Users; Cupid's Business Slumps

MATTOON, Ill., Jan. 29.—Dan Cupid is finding his bows and arrows are thus far quite useless against the hearts of the girls of the West Side Christian church of this city who have formed a club not to keep company with boys who smoke cigars or use tobacco in any form.

The club is continuing to grow, according to its sponsor, Edward McKee, superintendent of the Sunday school of that church, and though a marked decrease in the number of "matches" is noted, according to Mr. McKee, quite a few local boys have given up the bad habit.

Dan Cupid's second and hardest blow—the blow that sent him reeling dizzily—came when a number of boy students at the Mattoon high school retaliated by forming an opposing organization to try to make out of the girls of today "the kind of girls our mothers were."

It was at a meeting of the Christian Endeavor society a week ago that Mr. McKee urged the girls to sign pledges not to keep company with boys who "used the weed." Twenty-five pledges were signed immediately and during the past week the club grew in leaps and bounds. The Christian Endeavor society girls now hope to induce every girl in town to join their ranks.

"Do you want to stand around while some boy is smoking a cigaret or walk up the street with him as he dangles the silly thing in his teeth or do you want to smell the nasty smoke?" they argued.

The answer, they say, is usually "no" and a new signer to the pledge is obtained.

It was then that the boys decided something must be done. They initiated sewing their sweaters and a number of the male students at the local high school formed a club, the members making pledges as follows:

"I do solemnly affirm that I will not court a girl who persists in:

- "Wearing knee-length skirts.
- "Wearing low cut waists below the point where another woman would see was a girl.
- "Wearing silk stockings.
- "Using paint or rouge.
- "Attending dances minus her corset.
- "Pulling out her eyebrows or wearing her hair in such a style so as to hide her ears."

Mr. McKee looks upon the boys' organization as "merely a bluff club to frighten the girls out of their stand against tobacco."

"It would be a good thing, though," he added, "if something like that could be done. We need more girls today like our mothers."

In the meantime, both sides are holding firm, according to members, and "much good is being done," according to Mr. McKee.

"This is not a temporary movement on the part of the girls," said Mr. McKee. "They are in earnest."

"So are we," retorted the boys.

Wichita Falls Mayor Approves City Mgr. Plan

WICHITA FALLS, Jan. 29.—Wichita Falls is to have a city manager in the not very distant future, it was indicated by Mayor Cline Tuesday. The need for a city manager is being daily more clearly borne in on the mayor through the dozens of calls at his office on minor matters connected with the city business—matters ranging from a leak in the water main, and consequent difficulties over the water bills, to howls from indignant citizens when the street sweepers shift their autos when left standing on the streets late at night.

Provision for the position of city manager is made in the new charter, creation of the position being left to the option of the mayor and members of the council.

While the appointment of a man for this position in the near future is in the minds of the mayor and councilmen, the action is not so imminent that any of the city administration have begun looking for a man for the job. There are several things to be worked out before this matter is taken up—reorganization of a number of the boards having supervision of the various activities, along such lines as that recently effected with the sanitary board and other being on the schedule to be disposed of first.

TEMPTING NAMES ON DEALCOHOLIZED DRINKS BANNED BY B. OF C.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—And now you mustn't even "kid" yourself into thinking you are having a nip. Liquids bearing such suggestive names as "cham-pagne soda," "grape juice champagne" and "ginger champagne" are banned by the bureau of chemistry of the department of agriculture because they are "false and misleading" statements under the pure food and drug act. Hereafter the disconcerting word "dealcoholized" must appear in as large type as the more important name.

"Wine," says the bureau's report, "should be restricted to the fermented grape product from which the alcohol has been removed without appreciable loss of the character-giving constituents other than alcohol, such as the substances which give flavor and bouquet."

"But," murmurs the thirsty individual, "what was it but alcohol that gave the flavor and the bouquet?"

ROBBED THREE TIMES IN NIGHT BY ACQUAINTANCE

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 29.—In a variety of thefts last night, that in which Leo Unterberger of 3774 West Belle place, whose automobile and watch were stolen, stands out as most peculiar.

An acquaintance of Unterberger's held him up at the point of a revolver and took his garage key in a saloon at Twenty-first street and Franklin avenue, and then went to the garage, near Twentieth and Lucas, and took Unterberger's coupe. Two hours later, while Unterberger was looking for his car two men, one of them the acquaintance who took the garage key, jumped out of the stolen coupe at Franklin and Compton avenues, and robbed Unterberger of his watch, and then stepped into the coupe and drove away.

Two armed highwaymen at 11:30 o'clock robbed Earl Montgomery, 19 years old, of 1602 Market street, of \$4 at Twenty-third and Howard streets.

AUTO THIEVES TAKE THREE FORDS FROM SOUTH RUSK STREET

Three Ford cars had been stolen by automobile thieves at 12 o'clock last night. The thefts were all reported from South Rusk street. One of the cars belongs to the Texas & Pacific Coal & Oil company; one to the Gaynes-Hall company and the third to the Thaurier Brock company.

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American Professor Will Lay Out Educational System for Albania

CHICAGO, Jan. 29.—In response to a request by the Albanian government, Prof. Elmer E. Jones, director of the School of Education of Northwestern university, will journey to that Balkan province and make a survey upon which the government will then construct an educational system. According to Professor Jones, at present Albania lacks schools almost entirely. Under the Turks, education was not fostered and now that the Albanians are about to make an effort at self-government they desire a first-class and up-to-date educational structure.

That Professor Jones has been selected is due to the interest shown in Albanian problems by Bishop Blake of the Methodist church, who was a Balkan visitor last summer. The Albanian officials made every effort to impress upon the bishop the drastic need of help and Bishop Blake is said to have left Albania thoroughly convinced. To clinch matters, however, the government, consisting of the prime minister, the minister of foreign affairs, the minister of the interior and the minister of education, some of whom are Mohammedans, joined in an appealing letter to Bishop Blake who took up the problem with officials of Northwestern university.

Three paragraphs of the letter, which

is somewhat lengthy, follow:

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"The second great need is for trained and educated teachers for the nation's schools, of whom there exist at the present time, very few. We would therefore urge as a necessary department of your college, a school for training teachers."

"Our third need, quite as important as the other two, is for an educational expert, trained not only in the technical side of education, but with organizing and administrative ability, to act as adviser to the department of public instruction of the government."

Prof. Jones expects to leave Chicago May 10 and will meet Bishop Blake in Rome May 28, and thence they will proceed to Albania. Meanwhile Professor Jones is looking about for a man who will be able not only to set up an educational system after he has made the survey, but who can remain in Albania for a number of years, learn the language and prepare text books.

O. O. LUTER PURCHASES PEOPLE'S MEAT MARKET

O. O. Luter has resigned his position with the Sumner market to take over the management of the People's market which he has recently purchased. Before becoming connected with the Sumner market Mr. Luter was with Fulton's market. Other than this he has had many years' experience in selling meats.

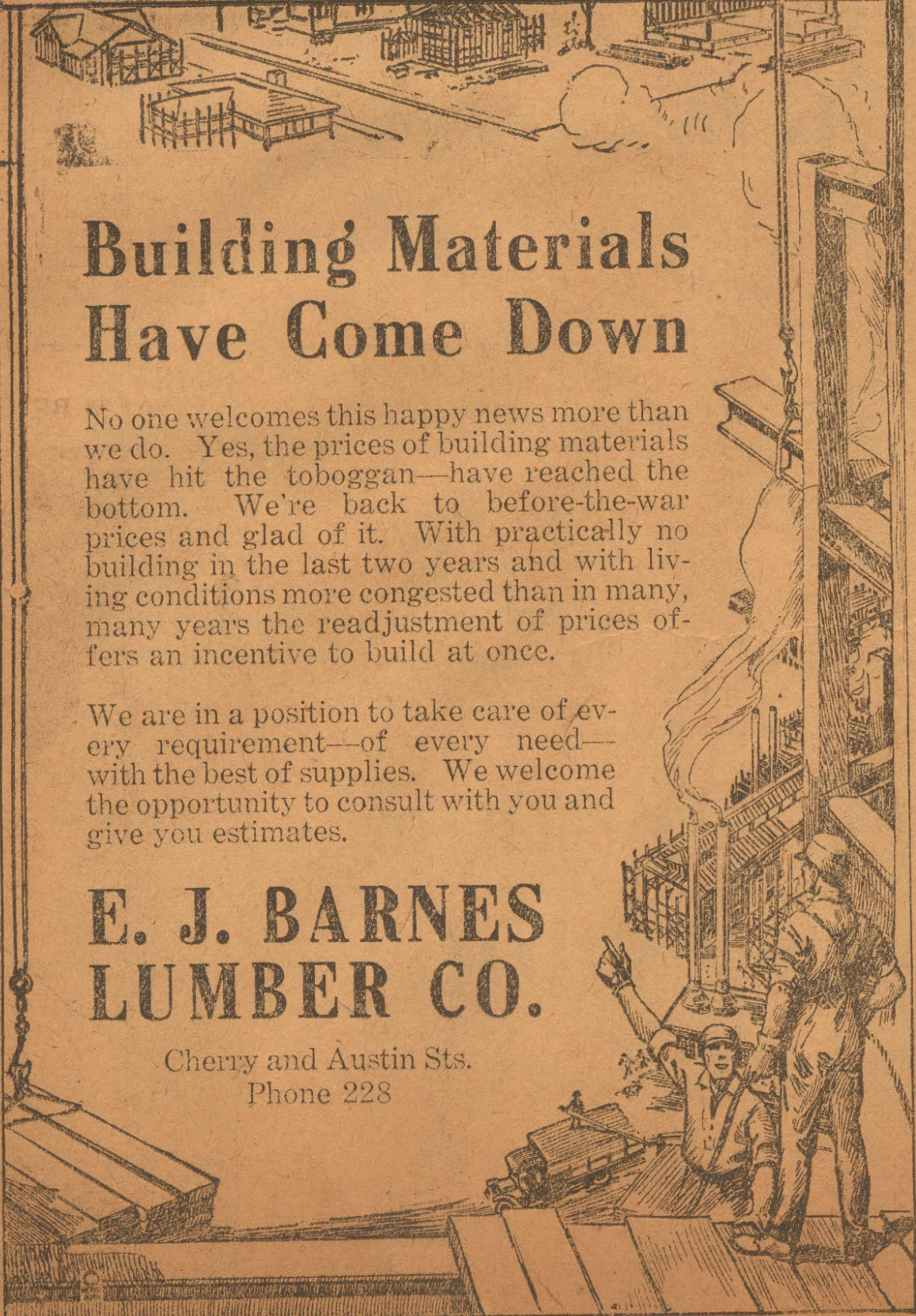
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Sees Loaded Auto Plunge Into River, Forgets About It

CHICAGO, Jan. 29.—When an automobile loaded with men and women dashed into the Chicago river and disappeared the tragedy failed to excite Thomas Hanlon, a watchman. He informed the authorities today he had witnessed the accident Saturday night but "forgot about it."

Drivers working from fire boats dragged a big green touring car from the river today, but no bodies were found. Search for the bodies will be continued.

"I heard a large car roaring down a street that ends at the river and wondered where it could be going," Hanlon explained. "When I saw from headlights it would plunge in the river I shouted a warning, but I guess they didn't hear me. The car was going fifty miles an hour. When it went over the bank I saw a man jump and heard the women scream. There was a splash. I followed to the river bank, but there wasn't a thing on the surface to indicate where the car had gone down. I went home and forgot about it."

Hanlon claimed there were two men

in the front seat and two men and two women in the rear seat.

Royal H. Myers identified the car as one stolen from him Friday.

Later another automobile was dragged from the same place in the river. Oscar Lustig identified it as one stolen from him in 1916.

The authorities believe it was abandoned by the thieves and allowed to plunge over the embankment.

AT THE HOTELS

PARAMOUNT.

- B. Moon, Cisco.
- L. D. Canfield, Chicago.
- Sled Allen, Dallas.
- J. L. McGraw, Abilene.
- F. B. Trey, Breckenridge.
- C. M. Edgett, Breckenridge.
- George T. Cope, Fort Worth.
- Wm. Doean, Dallas.
- J. T. Mearin, Memphis, Tenn.
- F. A. Sattle and wife, Breckenridge.
- H. M. Grable, Galt, Cal.
- Lieut. Frank Cornelis, U. S. A.
- R. D. Chestnut, Tiffin.
- F. Boatman, Breckenridge.
- W. Davis, Breckenridge.
- E. W. Robertson, Breckenridge.
- Wm. Bray, Plainview.
- S. A. Jones, Snyder.

EMPLOYEES ALARMED AS MAYOR'S CHEESE RIPENS

YORK, Pa., Jan. 29.—An odor in York's municipal building so bad that employees found comfort with windows open to the wintry blast and prisoners in the cellroom threatened to strike, was noted in the private closet of Mayor Hugenbugler. It emanated from a paper bag.

"Why, those are my sandwiches," exclaimed the mayor. Nobody disputed the claim of ownership.

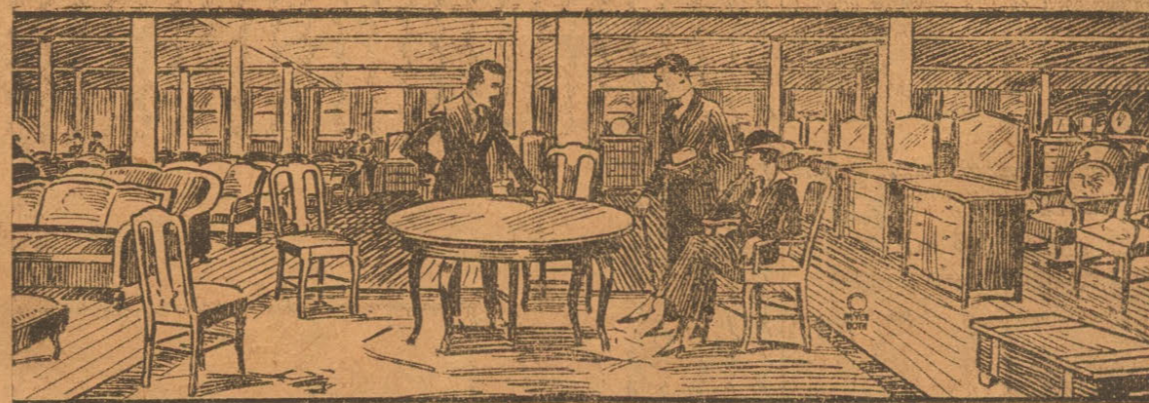
"They are cheese sandwiches that I bought a couple of weeks ago to take along to the country; then it rained and I forgot all about them," explained the mayor.

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AMONG THE MOVIE STARS



Ruth Roland



Kithia Beveridge and Eddie Polo in 'King of the Circus'



Molly Malone



Colleen Moore



Eddie Barry



Eddie Barry in 'It's a Great Life'



Eddie Barry

'Kismet'—Wooded by Cable—'King of the Circus'—Would Rather Be an Old Maid Than Marry Wrong Man—'It's a Great Life'—Stenographer to Star

Otis Skinner, star of 'Kismet,' is seen here contemplating the killing of Mansur (played by Hamilton Revelle), just after he has discovered that Mansur is the son of his ancient enemy, Jovan, upon whose race he has sworn vengeance.

This scene takes place a moment before the celebrated one in which he drowns Mansur in the pool which is to be seen at the rear. The scene takes place late in the picture, about the time that Hajji (Otis Skinner), who has been a beggar before the Mosque of the Carpenter, is beginning to win riches, position and vengeance, all of which comes to him in a single day, the end of which finds him once more upon the Mosque steps arrayed as a king.

Colleen Moore. Wooded by cable?

Just think of receiving a proposal of marriage and an offer of a fortune seven thousand miles away.

Miss Colleen Moore is the beauty so originally implored. Yes, Colleen of movie fame—none other than winsome, charming Colleen. Making love over the cable may be an ordinary thing; but making a proposal of marriage 7,000 miles over cable to some one he never saw outside of a screen is new, we'll say. The high

cost of cablegrams is no barrier for the swift pace of love.

The love adventurer is a man of London, England. The cablegram is the first step in the marriage quest.

Eddie Polo. Polo was raised with a circus, having come of a circus family, and made his first appearance before the public at the age of 5 as a tiny clown. He later learned the tumbler's art, and at the age of 9 was a full-fledged member of a tumbling act. As he grew up he became an equestrian and acrobat, or flying trapeze man, parachute jumper and an all-around circus stunner.

'King of the Circus' is built around the story of a young acrobat whose parentage is kept a mystery to him. He and his sister are raised by the manager of a big circus, to be star performers. This manager really is their worst enemy, having killed their father and robbed them of their heritage, the ownership of the circus.

The hero's struggles to solve the mystery of his life, and as he begins to learn the truth, to prove his identity and regain the ownership of the show, rise to many thrilling bits of action and suspense.

Polo is supported by several charming screen playmates, among them being Kithia Beveridge, who plays the role of his sister, the show's most popular

cometienne. She is said to be a relative of Senator Beveridge. She makes a pleasing circus queen and never hesitates to accompany Polo in his numerous and dangerous stunts—the hazardous rescues that make Polo's serials a succession of breath-taking daredevilry.

Ruth Roland. "So people are wondering why I'm not engaged or married?" said ingenious Ruth Roland, serial star, a trifle impatiently. "Well, when people broach that subject, you might suggest to that person I am a little bit hard to please. I am no more different than any other girl, in that I sometimes dream of a husband, a home and children. But I'd rather be an old maid and shrivel up and play Flora Finch on the screen than be married to the wrong man. Marriage isn't the be-all and end-all of existence. There are worse fates than being single. The prefix 'Mrs.' doesn't sound especially alluring to me, and I have no intention of using marriage merely as a stepping-stone to divorce. Neither shall I marry any man who aspires to be my 'business manager.' I am quite competent to manage my own business, thank you.

"You think I am well able to take care of myself. Right-o! I am. But I'd want a husband who was man enough to take the job off my hands if it became necessary, or if I wished it so. Every

woman likes to feel that she's married a real, sure-enough, upstanding, honest-to-God MAN. When I marry, you can bet your bottom dollar I've found that type of man."

Molly Malone. Molly Malone is a two-handed movie actress who gives renewed zest to the widely-held belief that the classics pale

before the glance of an ingenue. Miss Malone played last in Mary Roberts Rhineland's story, "It's a Great Life," and it would be a hard-hearted individual who would deny the title after looking at this photograph of the delectable little Miss Molly.

Edith Stockton. Originally a stenographer in a Chi-

ago mail order house, she turned to fashion camera posing for pin money, then gave it her exclusive attention and soon thereafter went to work at the Esplanade studios, first in "Paris" and later in London. With the cessation of production there, Miss Stockton came to New York, where she again won her way to the front and was featured in three pro-

ductions, the latest of which is "Through the Storm." She is now working in "Voice of the Blood."

Eddie Barry, the well-known comedian, was formerly a stage favorite and has continued his good work on the screen.

SECOND 'BERNHARDI' PREDICTS THREE MORE WORLD WARS AND VICTORY FOR U. S. AND GERMANY

Otto Autenrieth Forecasts Final Struggle Will Be Between White Races of Europe and America and Yellow Men.

A new crop of Bernhardis seems to be springing up in Germany and French editors note that the most conspicuous of this line of war-prophets is a certain Otto Autenrieth, who has written a book entitled "Three Future Wars: Political-Military Forecast." As the result of two of these wars, it is predicted, the only independent states in the world will be the United States and the German Empire in Europe, and the empires of the Far East in Asia. All other nations will be reduced to vassalage.

A third and final world war, we read, will be fought between the white and yellow races, which will result in victory for the white combatants. Then Germany and the United States will rule the world, and Germany will be "just a little bit stronger than the United States by the superiority of her genius and intellect." In reading this book, remarks General Bourgeois, French senator and member of the institute, one sometimes stops to ask whether the author is a reasonable being or a mad dreamer.

Yet there is no doubt that, despite all exaggerations, his prognostications reveal the "dear hopes of all Germans," particularly with regard to the annihilation of France, and in the Paris Figaro this French senator calls attention to the fact that the new German war prophet considers first what has been gained in the war by the great powers.

France, for instance, has recovered Alsace and Lorraine, increased her colonial domains, occupies the left bank of the Rhine, has been awarded a great indemnity and has disarmed Germany.

What is more, England owes America a great deal of money, and the German war forecaster avers that her relations with France, her ally, are becoming less and less cordial. America's war gains he considers very large and mentions profits made out of the war at England's expense, the creation of a great army organization, and naval and merchant fleets that, though not equaling England's, may prove dangerous competitors.

"But of all the entente allies who have profited by the war, Japan is 'foremost,' for she sustained no loss, acquired dominant influence in China, and thus menaces India."

As the result of this state of things, the German war expert thinks England will have to try with the aid of France possibly, to down her two rivals, Japan

and America, and to his mind the next world war will be declared against Japan by England, which will have as her allies France and the United States.

Uplift German Empire. Now this very war will be the first uplift of the German empire, it is predicted, for Japan will have to apply to Russia for armaments, and Russia, because of her industrial condition, will have to pass the orders on to Germany. What is more, the case will be the same with England, and so by the force of events the treaty of Versailles will undergo strange modifications. The coal mines of the Sarre will come back to Germany, and there will be many readjustments in the occupation of the left bank of the Rhine as well as in the payment of war indemnities, no matter what France may say.

The war wizard predicts also that as naval expeditions will be no longer possible, this Japanese war will end by an immense British invasion across China, and this expedition will transform Germany into a huge camp of passage, entailing an unbelievable rebirth of all the industry and resources of Germany.

So, it is predicted, without having taken any part in this war, the previous defeat of Germany will become a benediction.

U. S. and England to War. General Bourgeois tells us further of this volume of war-prophecy: "The settlement of economic questions at the close of the Japanese war will involve England and America in conflict because each of these powers will aspire to world supremacy. England will make use of every means to subvert America, and will commence by attacking Germany to her orbit, which will now be a flourishing power. But France will oppose England's aims, because she cannot permit the restoration of Germany."

"As England cannot allow France to continue to persecute Germany, she will first oblige her to evacuate the left bank of the Rhine, which will revert in toto to the German Reich, and no formation of an independent state will be permitted. German's services to England in the Japanese war will insure her admission without restrictions to the League of Nations. Immediately the war-debts of Germany to France will be remitted."

"Then all the territory taken away from Germany by the Treaty of Versailles will be restored to her by plebi-

scites. Alsace-Lorraine may not be wholly restored to Germany, but in any event it must form an autonomous state bound to the Reich and without any tie with France."

To Cause Break. The prophet goes on to say that this stipulation will cause the final break between France and England. But England will not want to make war with a nation whose military prowess she knows thoroughly, and will therefore denounce France to the League of Nations as the "persistent element of disturbance" in the world. France will refuse to accept the verdict of the League of Nations, and England and Germany will be charged to carry it into execution. We read then:

BRITISH PEERESSES TO EXPLORE AFRICA

Three charming and adventurous British peeresses, Viscountess Maidstone, the Duchess of Athol and the Marchioness of Lifford, plan to accompany their husbands on an expedition up the Blue Nile. The purpose is to go farther into that part of Africa than any white woman has ever ventured. All three women served during the World War. The Marchioness of Lifford is the American-born. She was Margaret Drexel, daughter of Anthony J. Drexel of Philadelphia. The Marchioness of Lifford was Mrs. Ivy Gordon-Lennox, niece of the Duke of Richmond, and one of the most celebrated hostesses in England. The third of these courageous ladies was Lady Ellen Gyles Butler, daughter of the seventh Earl of Lanesborough. She is Lady of Grace of Jerusalem and Mistress of the Robes to Queen Mary. She married the Duke of Sutherland in 1912.

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WAR VETERAN'S WIFE SELLS HIS PROPERTY; GETS BACK HOMELESS

DENVER, Jan. 29.—Before he went to France to fight for his country, Charles Butler Prior, retired furniture dealer and former Denver politician, was possessed of about \$50,000 worth of property. Wishing to provide for his wife, he told County Judge George A. Luskford, Friday, he made over his property to his wife.

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"When I went to France I turned all my property to my wife," Prior testified. "She sold my Casper property for \$19,500; my residence in Denver for \$8,500, and my Ogden street property for \$28,000."

"When I went to live in my house up on my return from France my wife told me that I didn't have any interest in that house any more. I asked her why not. She said: 'It belongs to my brother now.'"

"What's the idea?" I asked her. "The idea is that I am going to California and I got my affairs straightened out," my wife replied. I asked her what



Viscountess Maidstone and Duchess of Sutherland

about me, and she said: "Oh, you can take a room down town."

"I then asked for furniture enough to furnish three rooms and she told me I'd be lucky to get a sanitary cot. She said her brother was going to live in my house."

Prior testified that when he had a moving van call at his house to get some of the furniture his wife's brother tried to beat him up.

"Have you made any attempt to get this property back?" asked Attorney Charles Sackett appearing for Mrs. Prior who did not contest the action.

"No," Prior replied. "Let her keep it. Prior said that he had no property now, but he didn't mind that, he said."

That Toddlie. "Was your wife angry with you because you couldn't do the latest dances?" "Yes, she was just hopping,"—American Legion Weekly.

PROHIBITION CONTINUES TO BE A JOKE IN MANY PLACES

Passage of the Federal Laws Seems to Have Had Small Effect in Maine—Movement Begun by Neal Dow Has Not Progressed—Rush to Buy Hops and Malt.

BANGOR, Me., Jan. 29.—Prohibition continues to be very much of a joke in this part of the world, the Federal law being no more effective to stop the flow of liquor than was the Maine statute originated by Gen. Neal Dow nearly seventy years ago and invoked by generations of drags with only spasmodic and indifferent results. The only noticeable difference in the situation is that Canadian whiskey of a very poor quality generally and plain alcohol have succeeded American rye and Bourbon in the barrooms, and that the beer-loving citizen of Bangor, instead of telephoning downtown for a few cases of real lager to be sent to his house, buys hops and malt and other things and makes his own beer. The extent of the home brewing industry is indicated by the tremendous rush for hops and malt since the publication a few days ago of the ruling that these commodities might be sold only to bakers. One man, a night worker, lost his forenoon sleep in his haste to lay in a big stock.

Evidence in Court Records. The very best evidence that liquor is plentiful in Bangor is the record of the municipal court. Every day there are arraigned before Judge Blanchard three or twenty drunk, Monday morning being the rush time, for Saturday night continues to be a time of rampant joy in this town of exciting memories alcoholic. When the number of drunks falls below eight or ten, the local papers remark that it is a dull or a dry day. The court figures are far from gauging the height of the alcoholic tide here, for the police never arrest a drunken man unless he gets in their way or makes a disturbance. Hundreds are allowed to soak in peace, and the "staggering" statistics are far from complete.

The drags, who mostly live in quiet streets and retire early, seem satisfied with the volume of law that has been directed against the liquor traffic—the mere fact that the statute has been enacted and the repressive regulations issued. As for the working of the law they have no concern, evidently taking it for granted that the federal officials find no difficulty in accomplishing what the sheriffs for seventy years found impossible. The fact that liquor is sold and that men continue to get drunk seems not to disturb their tranquillity or shake their faith in law as an automatic instrument for the mopping up of Maine.

Curiosity About Federal Officers. The question often is asked: "What are all the federal enforcement officers doing that whiskey is so plentiful here?" "Yes, she was just hopping,"—American Legion Weekly.

Up to a few months ago the liquor dealers here confined themselves chiefly to bottle trade, but recently the bars have been dusted off and the stuff is set out by the drink. On a recent Saturday night business was so good on the east side that some places needed three bartenders. The price of Canadian whiskey has declined considerably of late, stuff that used to command \$10 to \$15 "short quart" now being easily obtainable at \$6 or \$7. In New Brunswick this liquor costs about \$22 a case of 12 bottles, and the motor car transport is not very expensive.

Up to a few weeks ago the chief federal raider excitedly telephoned to a local newspaper that he and his assistants had made a great sweep of the rum district, naming seven places visited. "How much stuff did you get?" asked the newspaper. "And the answer came that not a drop had been found in any of the places raided, although all were known to be in the business. The publication of this caused a knowing smile to flit across the countenances of the wise men of the town."

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PROGRAM

MAJESTIC—Five acts of Loew vaudeville and picture, Gladys Brockwell in "The Sage Hen."

TEMPLE—Wallace Reid in "The Charm School," also Universal comedy and Selznick News.

LAMB—"The Great Lover," all-star cast; also Johnny Hines in Thorchy & Bray's Magazine Review.

LIBERTY—"Down Home," all-star cast, and Larry Semon in "Well, I'll Be—"

LAMB.
Frank Lloyd, the Goldwyn director, who made "The Great Lover," which will be presented by the Lamb theatre for today only, considers the picture one of his big successes.

"The Great Lover" is a singular character, and will give the theatre-going public that for which they are always looking—something different. "The Great Lover" is the first of his kind, unlike any other character in fiction or dreams, because he is not a type; he is himself.

His life story is just as different from the usual life story as his character is different from that of the usual leading character in a film play. Combined with the absorbing dramatic action of the story, "The Great Lover" should be enjoyed by every audience.

Mr. Lloyd considers this picture one of his successes, and coming from the director who made such screen triumphs as "Les Misérables," "The Tale of Two Cities" and "Madame X," his opinion should go a long way in putting the stamp of final approval on this Goldwyn production.

MAJESTIC.

Two big headlines are scheduled on the bill at the Majestic the first part of the week, entirely different in nature and theme, the five musical queens and Frank Ward.

Frank Ward is one of the real midgets of vaudeville, offering genuine mate-

SUES EX-HUSBAND, CHARGING HE PROMISED TO REMARRY HER



Mrs. Jessie M. Porter

An unusual breach of promise suit is now before the Chicago supreme court. Mrs. Jessie M. Porter is the complainant and her former husband, William J. Porter, the defendant. Mrs. Porter charges that when Porter had their marriage annulled he promised to remarry her. This he failed to do, and Mrs. Porter asked \$50,000 heart balm. The jury awarded her \$12,000.

rial, fresh and up to the minute. (For a finish he does a bit that is original with him, and used in two of the big musical comedies this season, the finger doll dancers. His little two mannikins do the dances of the nations, and all by the aid of Frank's agile fingers.)

The five musical queens are a bevy of beauties, artists of the brass instruments and the voice, who will offer a classic repertoire intermingled with some popular.

Powers, Marsh and Delmore have a skit written for them for the purpose of introducing their splendid voices in solo or in harmony. Their setting is a wharf and their roles naval officer, a realistic sea cook and a tramp.

Burrell Brothers, novelty equilibrists and hand balancers and George Stazley and Sister, singers of Dixie melodies, will complete the bill. Also Gladys Brockwell in "The Sage Hen."

TEMPLE. THE CHARM SCHOOL.

There can be little doubt that if Wallace Reid should open up in any town the sort of school which is shown in his new Paramount picture, "The Charm School," which will be the attraction at the Temple theatre three days beginning today, he would get more pupils than could be accommodated.

Breedy Wallie in the role of Austin Evans, an automobile salesman, inherits a girls' boarding school from his aunt, and believing that girls should spend more time in making themselves beautiful and entertaining and less in preparing themselves for business and politics, he changes the curriculum and makes his institution a "charm" school, where only such things as esthetic dancing, swimming, dancing and athletics are taught.

A world of romance develops and no wonder, with handsome Wallie as the principal and fifty beauties as pupils. So successful are his methods of instruction that one of the fair charmers, played by no less a person than delectable Lila Lee, wins the heart of the principal. This is one of the most delightful comedies to fill the local screen in some time and its affords Mr. Reid with a role that his many admirers like best.

NEGRO CHECK ROOM ATTENDANT HAS ONE REMARKABLE MEMORY

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 29.—Edward Victoria, 41 years old, of 3419 Lawton avenue, a negro, in his daily task of checking hats and coats of guests at the City club, where he has been in charge of the coat-room for the last ten years, gives a remarkable demonstration of memory.

Ed, as he is familiarly known, handles the hats, coats and umbrellas of between 200 and 300 members and their guests during the luncheon hours. Few persons, other than newcomers and guests ask Ed for a check, for his memory is so unaccountably accurate that just as soon as the diner steps into the cloakroom after lunch Ed is reaching for the desired belongings.

When he does issue a check and the diner returns to the courtroom, Ed cal-

PRETTY FRENCH BRIDE SEEKS DIVORCE IN AMERICA



Mrs. Harriet Scott

On the matrimonial Imperator, which arrived in New York recently, was an exceptionally pretty French girl who said she was here to seek a divorce. She was listed on the passenger record as Mrs. Harriet Scott. Before her marriage in Paris she was Mlle. Juig de Conde. She was wooed by a handsome American stationed at Paris with the Army of Occupation, and married him in the belief that he was a captain. Three days after the nuptials she discovered that he was an enlisted man, a mere sergeant. She promptly left him and now has journeyed all the way to America to leave the marital knot untied. As she realizes she is an American citizen by virtue of her marriage to the soldier, she has decided to come here to seek a divorce.

over the wraps, can tell whether the person sought has checked his coat or hat. He knows the names of nearly every member, can recognize each one's hat and coat by sight, and it is seldom that a new or different hat or coat slips by Ed without comment.

MAJESTIC THEATRE

SUNDAY
MONDAY &

TUESDAY

5 Big Acts 5
Loew Vaudeville 5

The Five Musical Queens
A Bevy of Beauties, Artists of the Brass Instrument and the Voice.

Frank Ward
And His Manikins.

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Songs and Jokes.

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Novelty Equilibrists and Hand Balancers.

George Stanley and Sister
Singers of Dixie Melodies.

On the Screen
Gladys Brockwell

"The Sage Hen"
A Clever Photoplay.

Police Baffled at Disappearance of N. Y. College Girl

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—Fearing that they may have a repetition of the Dorothy Arnold case, police officials Wednesday were making the most thorough search possible for Miss Blanche Spellman, 18-year-old Barnard student, who has not been seen since she left her home Monday morning on a shopping trip. She is the daughter of Benjamin F. Spellman, well known attorney. Both her mother and father are prostrated at their home as the result of the girl's mysterious disappearance.

In addition to using all of the detectives in the missing persons bureau, authorities have given a description of the girl to every policeman in Greater New York.

Two clues are being traced by detectives Wednesday. Officials would not say what these clues were.

One theory advanced by officials was that the girl had an attack of amnesia as a result of studying too hard.

Miss Spellman had about \$30 when she left home. She was to have taken examinations on Monday afternoon and her parents said she had worried over them. "Our family life has been ideal," Mr. Spellman said Wednesday.

"There is absolutely no reason why she should have disappeared. We are praying that nothing has befallen her." Miss Spellman was described as being about five feet six inches tall, weighing about five feet six inches tall, weigh-

hair and brown eyes. She wore a blue tailored suit with a white collar. The disappearance recalled the famous Dorothy Arnold case, in that Miss Arnold was lost when she went downtown on a shopping tour. No trace of her has ever been discovered and she was given up long ago as lost.

EATS 24 BANANAS, EETS ON 12 MORE; NO TAKERS

JOPLIN, Mo., Jan. 29.—John Curtis, twenty, a minister's son, ate twenty-four ordinary sized bananas in exactly twelve minutes. The bananas were peeled before he started.

Curtis was eating to win a bet of \$1, and when he finished he offered to wager he could eat twelve more in twelve more minutes. There were no takers.

TODAY ONLY

HE READ HIS DOOM IN HER EYES!

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LEARN TO DANCE

Beginning Monday, Jan. 31, we will start a new dancing class from 6:30 to 8:30 evenings.

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Summer Garden

LIBERTY THEATRE

TODAY
"DOWN HOME"
All-Star Cast
—and—
Larry Semon
Well, I'll be—

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The GREAT LOVER

THE COHAN AND HARRIS
Notable Stage Success by
LEO DITRICHSTEIN
FREDERIC and FANNY HATTON
Supervised and directed by
FRANK LLOYD

Also Comedy—Johnny Hines in
Thorchy & Bray Magazine Review.

The LAMB
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ATTORNEY GENERAL PALMER SAYS HIS ASSAILANT IS AGAIN WORKING FOR INTEREST OF THE GERMANS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—Charging that his critic, Samuel Untermyer, is "acting in German interests," and is once more "serving his old clients," Attorney General Palmer comes back at him with a broadside of formal charges. Untermyer's caustic comments on Palmer's conduct of the office of Attorney General and alien property custodian appear to have stirred their subject unusually. His issued statement contains quotations from a report taken from Capt. Boy-Ed, former naval attaché of the German embassy here, upon his capture by the British in Palestine, and from the diary of Heinrich F. Albert, former Chief Privy Counsellor of the German embassy.

"Unpaid German Adviser."
The report of Captain Boy-Ed, as made public by Palmer, referred to Untermyer as "the unpaid judicial and legal political adviser of the German embassy," while Dr. Albert, in his diary, is quoted as describing a "meeting brought about for business reasons" at Untermyer's estate at Greystone on the Hudson river.

"Malicious Repetition of Rumors."
The malicious repetition by Samuel Untermyer of the baseless rumors and false charges which the friends of Germany insistently circulate about the work of the alien property custodian would not call for any reply if his recent activities had not somewhat obscured in the public mind his earlier connections, which make his motives plain.

"He desires to undo a significant part of the war's achievement. He was vigorously opposed to the government's policy—as laid down by the Congress and carried out by the executive—in regard to enemy-owned property.

"He refers to enemy-owned concerns in this country as 'properties of these unfortunate people' whose sad plight he always sought to alleviate.

"His exact status, despite his equivocations and denials with respect to these 'unfortunate people'—the Germans—is best shown by an official report of Captain Boy-Ed, addressed to the chief of the German admiralty staff. In explaining a statement to the American people, which he issued on being expelled from this country, Boy-Ed said:

"Every statement was drawn up in its original form by Counsel Samuel Untermyer. He was, at the time of my stay in New York, the unpaid judicial and legal-political adviser to the Imperial embassy.

"On Unselfish Grounds."
"He is one of the most important if not the greatest counsel of the United States, the presumptive successor of Mr. Gerard, if he should leave his ambassadorial post, a former very influential member of the Democratic party of New York state, a personal friend of Warburg of the Federal Reserve bank, of the Secretary of Justice, the chief state counsel of New York, etc. Untermyer's statement was inordinately long and was a sharp, in my opinion, very cleverly written and well-founded attack on the American-Anglophile press for the protection of the German official personalities in the United States, and particularly in defense of the logic of my proceedings.

"Mr. Untermyer insisted particularly on such a statement, on unselfish grounds, as the foregoing shows, because my departure had to be utilized in any circumstances to the advantage of the officials remaining behind, especially the German ambassador.

"At the last minute I decided to collaborate with Chief Privy Government Counselor Albert, to make merely a short and less sharp statement, which was an extract of Untermyer's long one, in the personal interest of my own greater peace, and conformably to my very self-sacrificing time in New York."

Diary Is Quoted.
"His true status is again shown in the handwritten diary of Chief Privy Counsellor Albert, representing the Zentral Einkaufs-Gesellschaft in this country, and today under-secretary of state of the German republic.

"In other respects this Easter festival passed off somewhat anxiously, since at noon I was summoned to Plainfield to Hagedorn's and in the evening to Untermyer at his estate at Greystone. I drove there and had no reason to regret this meeting, brought about for business reasons.

"Untermyer is personally a by-no-means unpleasant individual, shrewd, very familiar with political affairs and in a business sense extraordinarily so to date. He has a wonderful estate in the neighborhood of Yonkers, on the heights of the Hudson.
"Opposite are the Palisades, of the

other bank, over which the sun went down in wonderful clearness. Conversation on the prevention of the export of ammunition and other political questions. There was a fire at the

"Free, Open, and Unbiased."
"This is a report that at Hugh Hays, Kaufman and Lindheim was, but publicly admitted attorney of the German embassy, Untermyer was a division of the embassy, at least its controlling and chief counsel. When we realize that my office has recently prosecuted to conviction and sentence both Kaufman and Lindheim for violations of the law growing out of their activities as counsel for German interests, and that Mr. Lindheim is Mr. Untermyer's relative, according to his own sworn statement before the Overman committee, it is plain that conscienceless resentment now moves him, although before this prosecution, on July 26, 1919, more than four months after I had severed all connection with the alien property custodian's office, he wired me:

"I have freely, openly, conscientiously admired your fair judicial attitude in every transaction where I was concerned and will be glad, in common justice, to repeat that assertion at any place or time. Your office was conducted with exceptional ability. You selected the best talent, regardless of other considerations. No able, more devoted officials than Garvan and Bradley Palmer could anywhere be found. Money could not buy such service."

Most Important Cases.
"He also fails to tell the public that his partner, Louis Marshall, has been and is the counsel for the Stoebers in the Rotary worsted cases, and Richard Wagner in the Staines steamship cases, both involving over \$30,000,000, and both claimed by the alien property custodian to be attempted fraudulent evasions of the trading with the enemy act. These two cases are the most important cases now pending before our courts in the whole field of the activities of the alien property custodian.

"Mr. Untermyer is simply serving his old clients by attempting to discredit the war-time work of ensuring enemy property in the United States. With native confidence in the public forgetfulness, he professes to be doing it in the people's interest. It is really in the German interest."

BALLET GIRL WINS HEART OF SOVIET CHIEF
PARIS, Jan. 29.—Leon Trotsky, Russian war minister, is engaged to Mlle. Spezioltzova, ballet dancer, well known in New York, according to reliable reports from prominent Russian citizens who have just arrived in Paris.

The romance, according to the arrivals, started last spring when the 20-year-old blonde beauty first appeared in the Moscow opera house in "The Rose Dream Ballet."

Trotsky fell in love at first sight with the dancer and they became engaged secretly.

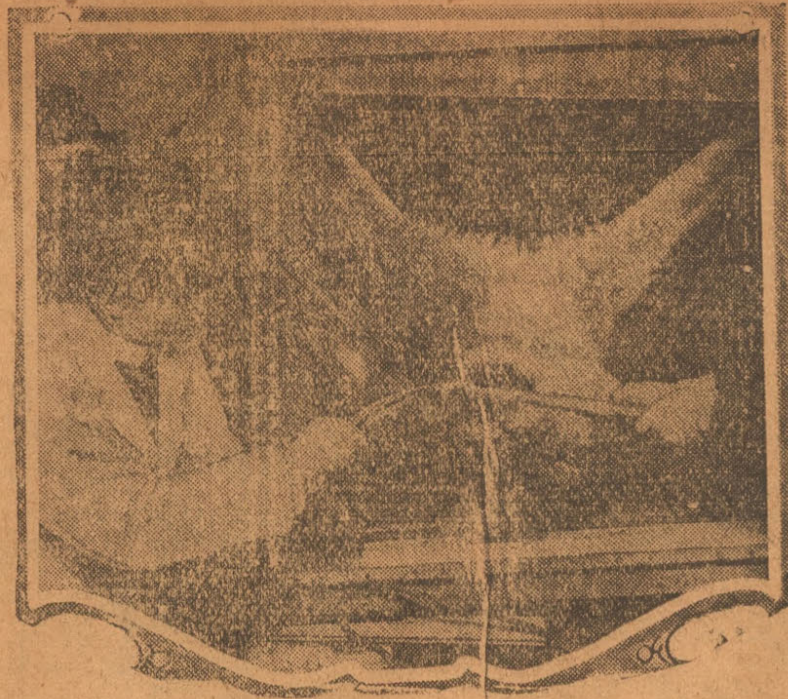
Those bringing the story to Paris declare that the young girl's influence over the Russian war lord is unlimited and that although Trotsky has announced that his fiancée will leave the stage immediately following their marriage, it is reported that the dancer agreed only on the condition that they both quit Russia and settle in the United States, leading a private life.

GIRL KEEPS SECRET.
WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—When King Albert of Belgium was in Washington he decorated Miss Madeline Pearson, the American secretary to the Belgian embassy here.

"Why?" she was asked by her friends. "It's a secret," was her reply. Today it was learned, but not from

LOWER RENTS MORE HOMES
In Ranger mean

SOME JOB FOR THE DENTIST



For two months Queenie, a seven-year-old giant lioness in the Prospect Park, Brooklyn, N. Y. Zoo, had been making nights in the park hideous with her plaintive yowls and roars. The rest of Queenie's roommates were kept awake by her howls and they protested. Dr. John Gillespie, park veterinarian, discovered that Queenie was suffering from a toothache, and decided to pull it. The lioness was trussed up and the operation performed. Queenie didn't like it a bit. She roared so hard, waked an alligator who had been asleep for two months.

Miss Pearson, that the decoration was for her discretion in keeping the secrets of national and international importance.

Tonight all the papers announcing that fact are sold out and mothers, wives and sweethearts are haunting clippings in male faces with the world-old statement, "I told you so."

Woe be unto another Washington man who asserts a woman cannot keep a secret.

WOMAN IN SUIT SAYS HER HUSBAND PAID \$50 A QUART

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 29.—Testimony in the trial of her suit for divorce and \$75,000 alimony against her husband, Mrs. Ethel M. McCarty denied she had been extravagant. "My fur coat cost only \$350," she said, "and I don't think that is so extravagant when you consider my husband paid \$50 a quart for his liquor."

WHOLE HOTEL FLOOR FOR YOUNG BRIDE OF ACED MILLIONAIRE

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Jan. 29.—When Miss Cecilia Ready, twenty-six, of Syracuse was married in Washington Saturday night to George M. Oyster, seventy-two years old, a multi-millionaire, she started receiving an allowance of \$1,000 a week. So say intimate friends of the Washington and the lycium center. The marriage was originally set for Friday night, but was delayed by the non-arrival of a special disconnection sent through the Roman Catholic Bishop of

Syracuse, of whose diocese Miss Ready was a member. The ceremony was performed that evening by the Rev. Mattingly in the Wardman Park hotel, where the bridegroom occupied an entire wing. The couple started on a special train Saturday night for Miami, Fla., to spend their honeymoon. They had agreed to have the utmost seclusion in the South, so Mr. Oyster in advance, ordered a 1000-entire floor of the Flamingo hotel. Before she went on the Havana tour, Miss Ready appeared here in several town productions. Oyster met her at social affairs at the time of the state fair, where he had exhibited horses. Co-eds at the University of Pitts-

NORTHERN CITY HAS HONEST THIEF; VICTIM IS ALSO SYMPATHETIC

SIoux CITY, Jan. 29.—F. D. Hass, a mail yardmaster, who was robbed of \$12 Wednesday night, a victim of a had thief, had a letter from him when he read the following note today: "I'm the fellow who robbed you. I was sick and out of a job and I and I'd were going hungry. But I got a job here and as money ahead I will return what I stole from you." Hass said he knew who the man was, he would give him another \$12 for being so honest.

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\$5.00

MONDAY ONLY

SUITS AND OVERCOATS

—The House of Kuppenheimer and kindred makes are offered you for one day at a price unheard of. These suits are everyone hand-tailored in neat designs of all desirable weaves and solid colors.

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MONDAY ONLY

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THE SHOP FOR MEN

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DOLLAR DAY

DON'T FORGET

Thursday is DOLLAR DAY

At Joseph Dry Goods Co.

See Our Window Wednesday for BIG DOLLAR BARGAINS

SPECIALS



Declines to Sell Husband; Now He's Reported Missing

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 29.—Armed with a copy of "Hymns of the Heart," Mrs. Charles A. Wheatley started looking for her husband Wednesday.

She also wanted to find the woman whose writing appeared on the leaves of the hymnal.

Wheatley is a lecturer at the Spiritualist church. Sunday morning, according to Mrs. Wheatley, a woman sitting next to her handed her a hymn book.

"How much will you take for your husband?" was written on a fly leaf.

"He's not for sale," Mrs. Wheatley wrote, and handed back the book.

Wheatley at the moment, was occupying the pulpit.

"Why, he is mine; I love him," Mrs. Wheatley read when the book was returned to her.

"So do I," she wrote and handed back the volume.

And then "negotiations" began in earnest. The strange woman wrote at length to the effect that she was ready to go to any lengths to effect her purpose.

"I cannot believe you," was Mrs. Wheatley's parting notation.

But Tuesday Mrs. Wheatley reported to the police she received a message from her husband, saying he would not return, and thus far, apparently, he has kept good his word.

Efficiency on the Farm. Cow. "Can you bear it? There's so much system around here now that they're in the barn under the letter C."

Hen: "Yes, I have my troubles with efficiency too. They've put a rubber stamp in my nest so I can date my eggs two weeks ahead."—American Legion Weekly.

"Stimulating production of the right kind.

"Extension of organization and general membership."

Saddlery interests are most fully organized in the campaign, the report says. Horse and mule interests are next. Wagon and carriage, hay, grain and feed interests have also been enlisted. Effort is to be made to bring in horseshoe manufacturers and heavy hardware interests.

"In this campaign we have distributed more than 1,100,000 pieces of literature in less than a year," reports Secretary Wayne Dinsmore.

SEASON ON; PALM BEACH MECCA OF SOCIETY



As a result of the cold wave that has swept the continent, society folks are flocking to Palm Beach, Florida. One of the first arrivals was Mrs. Cecil Singer of New York and Paris. The illustration shows Mrs. Singer enjoying a ride along the surf on a mattress.

Social Affairs at Washington Are Most Brilliant in Many Years

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—Seldom has there been so exhilarating a social atmosphere in Washington at the end of an administration as exists just now. Every official going out of office is receiving a series of farewell entertainments, and they themselves are busy returning social favors. And all this notwithstanding the flood of regrets that meet a hostess at every turn, for men of the official world are too busily absorbed in past and coming events to lend much time to dining.

Mrs. Wilson's last hospitalities took on an air of formality when on Thursday she entertained at a luncheon in the state dining room at the White House the wives of ambassadors and ministers.

Mrs. Colby, the wife of the secretary of state, and a few of Mrs. Wilson's intimate friends being added to the list. The event recalled the last days of the Taft and Roosevelt administration, when the chief executives and their wives entertained their friends generously, and also left the White House to dine with others, a thing never done during the days of an administration, except on rare occasions.

Mrs. Cox Entertains. In addition Mrs. James M. Cox, charming wife of the recent Democratic candidate for President, is the occasion for important entertaining. Senatorial, congressional and cabinet ladies, regardless of politics, have been trooping out to the Woodland drive home of Mr. and Mrs. Timothy T. Ansberry, to pay their respect to Governor and Mrs. Cox.

There is a growing belief here that the logic of events will make Governor Cox the Democratic standard bearer

again in 1924, and, of course, all good Democrats believe that the next Democratic nominee will be the next Democratic President. Consequently, as Governor and Mrs. Cox stopped here on the way to Europe where Governor Cox is to study world problems, they were the recipients of unusual attention.

The vice president and Mrs. Marshall have also been much entertained. Mrs. Joe H. Eagle, wife of Congressman Joe H. Eagle of Houston, Texas, was hostess at a beautiful luncheon at Rauscher's Monday, in compliment to Mrs. Marshall. The luncheon was served in the small ballroom, where a beautiful decoration of Southern snail and palms was in place, and the guests were seated at one large table, adorned in the center with a miniature fountain surrounded with pale pink democracy carnations, lavender and frozia. Tilted buckets overflowing with carnations and frozia were at either end of the table, and the cloth was garlanded with bowditch.

Not to Be Taken. And while on the subject of the Marshalls: We hear that any plan the vice president may have had of leaving the Hoozier state to join a law firm at Amarillo, Texas, has dissipated, and they will go back to Indiana on their return from Europe. The sailing of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall is scheduled for May. A number of events have been arranged for them between the time Mr. Marshall retires from office on March 4 and the sailing date.

Decidedly Not. When he first came to meet Private Percival Prude Thought to help himself first was emphatically rude. You wouldn't have thought he got very much food.—He didn't.

TEXAS PACIFIC SKIP NO. 1.

The Texas Pacific Coal & Oil Co. entertained at an informal dancing party at the Summer Garden, Friday evening. The hostesses were: Misses R. E. Hellen, G. B. Watson, J. H. Clark and J. H. Corbett. Mr. John W. Ward was superintendent of production, assisted by Mr. E. J. Bunch. Over a hundred couples were present, and dancing was enjoyed until 1 a. m., all the guests conceding that this was one of the most enjoyable events of the season. This was one of a series of dances being given by the larger oil companies of the city. It is announced that the Sun company will entertain early in February.

PACKAGE SOCIAL.

The N. M. U. of the East Baptist church is giving a package social Monday at the home of Mrs. J. M. White, 1123 Pershing avenue, for the benefit of the primary department of the Sunday school. All the ladies of the city are cordially invited.

HOME WEDDING.

In the presence of a few intimate friends, Miss Elizabeth Leberger and Mr.

James G. Crapps were married Saturday evening, January 29th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Barnes, Rev. W. H. Johnson officiating. After the ceremony dinner was served. Mr. and Mrs. Crapps will make their home in Ranger.

H. C. C. CLUB.

On Tuesday afternoon, Mrs. Bob Dobinson and Mrs. Sam Paddy entertained the H. C. C. club with a theater party at the Majestic. After the performance, refreshments were served at the Texas Drug store. Those present were Misses V. O. Hicks, Ernest Adams, C. C. Winborne, W. Cleveger, Cecil Rodgers and W. I. Burt. This was a special meeting, called on account of Mrs. Paddy's impending departure from the city. The next regular meeting of the club will be held on Thursday, Feb. 3, at the home of Mrs. Ernest Adams.

SOCIAL AT MRS. NEAL'S.

The Ladies Aid society of the Baptist church will give a social at Mrs. L. L. Neal's Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. All ladies of the church are invited and are expected to be present.

SOCIETY TO BOOST 'COMEBACK' FOR HORSE

By Associated Press

CHICAGO, Jan. 29.—What has been done to organize a "comeback" for the horse the past year is narrated in the first annual report of the Horse Association of America made public here. The association is composed principally of organizations and concerns interested in horses. It is doing its work on a national scale.

The campaign for the horse, the association reports, is being carried along six main lines:

"Gathering proof of the superiority of horses and mules in various classes of work.

"Encouraging use in non-agricultural work.

"Encouraging use in agriculture.

"Encouraging more popular use of horses and ponies in healthful recreation and sport.



The Reverend Stubblebine of Dallas will fill the pulpit of the Presbyterian church tomorrow morning and night with a view of accepting the pastorate here. The invitation has been extended him by the local organization and it is thought that his answer will be given tomorrow.

The church has been without a pastor since the resignation of Dr. C. M. Collins several weeks ago to become financial secretary of the Albany orphanage.

Church of Christ.

Messiah and Rusk streets—J. W. McKinney, minister. Bible study, 10 o'clock service. "God Is and He Has Spoken to Man." Afternoon service, 2:30 o'clock at the Young school. Evening service at 7 o'clock. "Moral Inability."

East Ranger Baptist.

Foch and Blondell—Rev. M. F. Drury, pastor. Sunday school at 10 o'clock. Services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The Sunbeams and B. Y. P. U. at the regular hours. Sunday school at the Lindsay mission at 3 p. m.

Christian Science.

Services in church bungalow, 421 West Pine street, Sunday, 11 a. m.; Wednesday, 8 p. m.; Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. All are cordially invited.

WOMAN LAWYER TO FIGHT FOR MAN'S LIFE—FIRST TIME IN N. JERSEY

For the first time in the history of New Jersey and possibly in the history of the country, a woman lawyer is defending a man charged with murder. Mrs. Augusta Maley, of Hackensack, N. J., is appearing as attorney for William Gleason, accused of killing Policeman John Ritter. Mrs. Maley says the only reason she has consented to take Gleason's case is that she is convinced of his innocence.

BUT WHY CHURCHES, IF ONE CAN GO WHILE STAYING AT HOME?



By means of a sound board above the pulpit in Calvary Episcopal church, East Pittsburgh, the pastor's sermon each Sunday night is being flashed by wireless throughout the Middle West as it is being delivered. Singing of the choir also is heard by radio operators. The sermon are being sent from East Pittsburgh by a wave of 330 meters. It is announced that 175 radio operators would be licensed shortly following the inauguration.

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Correct styles for the season are clearly expressed in our present showing of

New Spring Suits, Dresses, Hats and Blouses

—Ladies who wear only the latest creations in style can find what they want here. Ladies who want to dress stylish and at a moderate cost should visit our store as we have many modes that will be of special interest to them.

The Spring Suits

Cleverly styled suits in box blouse, ripple semi-tailored and tailored models, fashioned in ricquette, gardine and tricotine in the ever popular shades. Priced at—

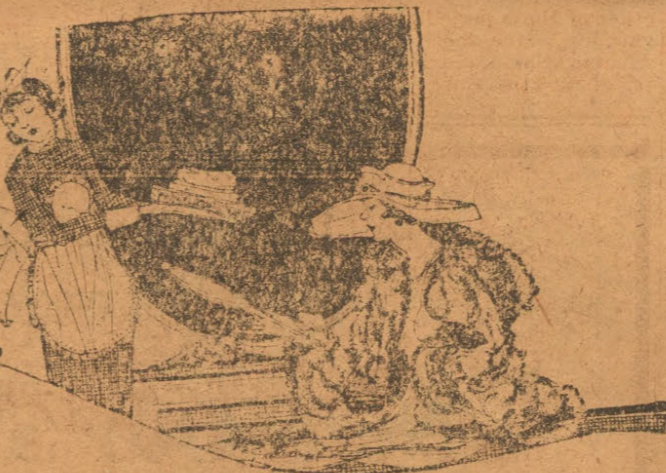
\$49.50 to \$125.50

The Spring Blouses

Blouses of the ever popular colors of white, plush, bisque tans and navy. They are made of crepe de chine and heavy georgette crepes, beautifully decorated. Priced at—

95c to \$12.50

Also a special showing of Spring co-ed dresses for girls. Something that will give the young lady distinction and at the same time be made of durable material. They are fancy patterns at popular prices.



The Spring Dresses

Special styled dresses made of the best quality taffetas, Moroccan crepe, Canton crepes and georgettes. The popular colors are pretty shades of gray, brown navy and black. Priced at—

\$49.50 to \$98.50

The Spring Hats

The beautifully shaped line of hats in colors of gray, black and navy, decorated with the fancy celophone braids and popular priced at—

\$9.50 to \$26.50

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That was a time when yesterday's soda dispenser was today's capitalist. Or, if you object to an extreme illustration, when railroad men became haberdashers, when army K. P.'s became cooks, and cowboys became meat-cutters.

That time, Ranger citizens are proud to say, is past. We are now in a city, that forms a hub, whose incoming roads are the spokes of a great wheel, covering the richest spot in America.

Our business men are up against straight up-and-down business methods, where they have to "deliver the goods" at competitive qualities and competitive prices. Where salesmanship in all its various phases and meanings should win, if we were in normal times.

But this is a buyer's market and as a recent editorial in one of our leading papers expressed it, "buymanship" is in the ascendancy. A new crude, and incongruous word. But it's very incongruity is expressive of its position: That position demands of the merchants and his salesforce increased efficiency, increased service, continued efficient service.

So much so is it true, that any workman must now be a mechanic at his trade to hold his position, to hold customers for his house, whether he be a soda dispenser, a haberdasher, or a meat cutter.

Our daily increasing line of regular customers is the evidence we offer to prove that we know how to serve you, that we understand your tastes and your needs; that quality and price plus efficient service, makes satisfied customers; which is the best advertisement any house can have.

Everything for Everybody in Meats

THE JAMESONS'

127-129-131 N. Austin st. On the Corner Complete Equipment—Expert Workmen

Motor Bandits Use Woman To Lure Victims On Foot, Then Drive By To Get 'Em

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—Using a young woman to appraise their would-be victims, taxi bandits have held up two women and a man in Brooklyn and Bayonne, N. J., within the last few days. The police know nothing of the hold-ups, it is said.

The woman acting in concert with the bandits loitered around the Newkirk avenue station of the Brighton Beach line in Flatbush, until Miss Blank, whose name is purposely withheld, emerged. She approached her and asked if she might walk with her.

"There have been so many hold-ups lately that I am afraid to walk alone after dark," the woman, who was well dressed, said. "So may I walk with you as far as you are going?" Miss Blank said that she might.

The two women walked together for a block or more in silence when the strange young woman began in the way of conversation.

Sounds Out Victim.

"Looks like you would be afraid to wear your jewelry with all these hold-ups going on?"

"But I am not wearing any jewelry. I left it at home. And besides," Miss Blank laughed, "they wouldn't get much from me; I have only five cents."

As they neared Ocean avenue, a taxicab approaching from the rear, drove alongside the curb and stepped opposite the two women. The girl called out to two men inside:

"Never mind, Bill. She's a cheap skate. She's got only a nickel."

And with this appraisal, the woman walked over to the taxicab and got in. The machine sped away so fast that Miss Blank did not think of getting the number until it was nearly out of sight.

She hurried home and told her parents of her strange adventure. The news spread over Brooklyn and it was learned by comparing notes that a woman and taxi bandits have been operating in this manner for more than two weeks. How many have been robbed is conjecture. The police have not reported a single robbery.

Another would-be victim was a green grocer who had \$1,000 in his pocket. He too was accosted by a woman and asked if he would accompany her a few blocks because she was afraid of the possibility of being held up.

He replied he would. But they had not gone far until she told him he ought to be careful these times about carrying money around with him.

"I'll bet you have a big fat wad in your wallet now," she said banteringly.

"Now, confess—haven't you?" He may be a green grocer, but he wasn't a green mark, he told friends. He told her he didn't have a cent, and that he was walking home because of this lamentable fact.

At the next corner the taxi drove up to the curb and stopped.

As they approached, the young woman sang out: "It's no use, Bill, this boob hasn't any money." She got into the taxi, which carried no rear light, and was whisked away in the dark street.

The grocer does not wish his name revealed because he is afraid that after his confession he may receive a second visit from the bandits.

At Work in Jersey.

The same method was employed with Mrs. Robert Browning, Avenue E, Bayonne, recently. And as the time, early evening, closely corresponds with the Brooklyn affairs, it is believed that a different band of bandits was operating there.

Mrs. Browning was returning home when she was accosted by a well-dressed young woman who pleaded that she be allowed to walk with her because of her fear of being held up. The same approach was made to appraise Mrs. Browning's financial standing. She, too, told the curious young woman, of whom she became suspicious, that she did not

have a cent. And she was likewise abandoned.

Just how long these taxi bandits have been employing this scheme to hold up and rob is not known, but the first stories of their operation in Brooklyn became known two weeks ago.

It has been the topic of interest at afternoon bridge parties, teas and club meetings from which the guests have made it a point to return home before night descended.

If the cases have been reported to the police—and it is said two of them have—they have not warned the public against any such scheme.

A friend of Miss Blank, talking to a reporter last night, said that it was an outrage that the people had not been warned, especially in view of the fact that the police in that section, Flatbush, make no effort to protect the people who have to walk through its dark streets.

Appeals to Newspapers.

"If the police don't warn them the newspapers should. For almost any woman will allow another woman to walk with her, particularly when she expresses fear of walking alone," she said. "The bandits know this, and they are taking advantage of the fact by employing a woman to lure us, and as it has proven, appraise us in advance."

It is apparent that the taxicab waits close by the station or place selected by the appraiser and follows her and her victim until, by some pre-arranged signal, the appraiser signals its occupant to come up for the hold-up or take her in.

Though it cannot be learned at the time, it is said that a number of such hold-ups have resulted in rich hauls. A man who did not think that he could explain to his wife why he was accompanying a young woman along the street is said to have been robbed of a Swiss watch and diamonds worth several thousand dollars.

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CHURCH SNICKERS AS TARDY REBECCA BLUSHES AT BIBLE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—A certain young and devout church woman of this city, whose given name is Rebecca, never misses divine services, but often is late.

Last Sunday she arrived just as the pastor was reading from the Scriptures the story of Rebecca at the Well as told in Genesis, twenty-fourth chapter.

As the late comer tripped up the aisle, the minister read: "And behold, Rebecca came forth."

Broad smiles played over the faces of the worshippers. Blushes flooded Rebecca's face. Courageously she went on, quickening her steps.

"And she made haste," continued the clergyman, reading on, quite oblivious to the situation.

Snickers from the youngsters, broader smiles from the grown-ups and half-suppressed giggles from the half-grown were the response.

By that time Miss Rebecca had reached her pew. She stumbled in and sank down as if she hoped the cushions would swallow her. The minister concluded: "Let the damsel abide with us."

Natural interference. "Inspection arms!" roared the corporal. Casey, a husky new recruit, immediately dropped his rifle and rolled up his sleeves.

"What are you going to do, fight?" asked the corporal with apprehension.

"No," said Casey mildly, "I thought you wanted to see if I'd been vaccinated."

—American Legion Weekly.

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EARTHQUAKES ARE ONLY PLANET'S 'GROWING PAINS,' SCIENTIST SAYS

By Associated Press

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Jan. 29.—The epidemic of earthquakes that shook the world in several widely separated sections in recent weeks contains no cause for general alarm; they are only the growing pains of the newer geologic formations and old Mother Earth herself at heart is still sound and solid. This, in effect, is the reassuring statement of Prof. J. B. Woodworth, who is in charge of the Harvard seismograph station, as prepared for The Associated Press.

Earthquakes have a way of occurring in series, he said, and the world has merely been suffering from another of these periodic strings of convulsions in the shocks reported from Albania, China and Peru. As a matter of fact there are a score of earth-

quakes strong enough to be felt or registered somewhere in the world every twenty-four hours, but only a

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Small proportion of them are serious. Some are so small that they would not be realized but for the sensitivity of instruments. To indicate the fine perceptions of these instruments, Professor Woodworth said that in times of severe storms at sea the crash of the surf on the rocky coast of Newfoundland is registered at the seismograph laboratory here.

Come in Series.

"The quakes that shook China and South America last month were not the same, but separate shocks," said Professor Woodworth. "Geologists all know that earthquakes are likely thus to come in groups. For example, in the year 1755 the city of Lisbon in Portugal was destroyed by an earthquake on Nov. 1, while on the eighteenth of the same month Boston was severely shaken. The difficulty is that there is no way of telling exactly when or where they will occur. If one serious quake occurs, we may predict that others are likely to follow it, but that information is of little practical value since we cannot tell how long the epidemic will last, what the interval between the quakes will be, or in what part of the earth they will occur."

"The eastern part of the United States is not often visited with severe earthquakes. The only severe ones felt hereabouts since New England was settled were in 1638, in 1727, and in 1755, with a much lesser one in 1872."

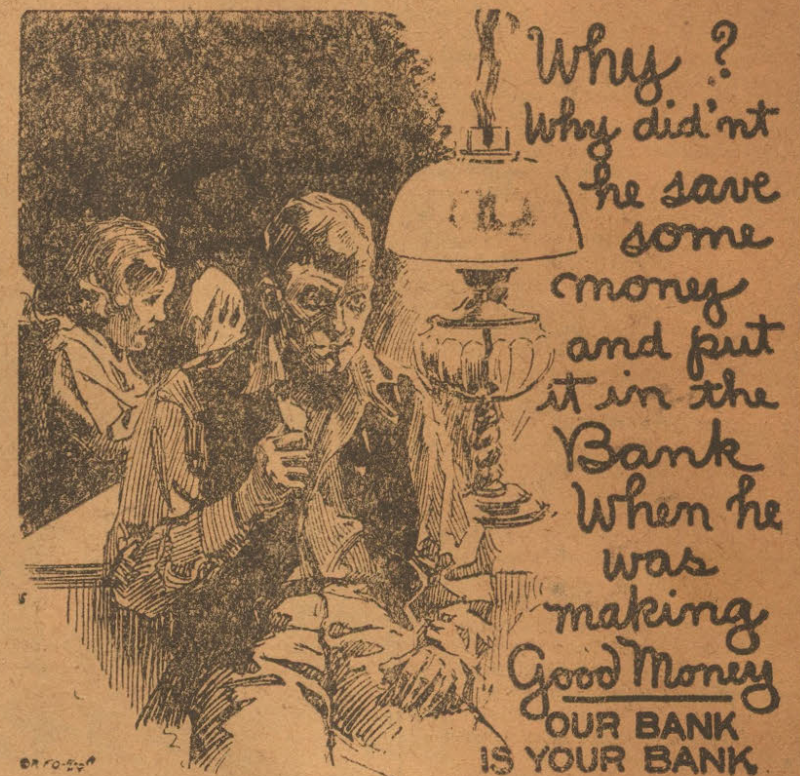
"The shock of 1727 was so vigorous that sermons were preached on 'A Holy Fear of God and His Judgments' and a day of fasting and prayer was observed. The shock in 1755 brought down 1,500 chimneys and the gable ends of brick houses in Boston. But the really large earthquakes are in the portions of the

earth such as Japan, the East Indies, Alaska and the Pacific ocean floor, where the mountains are new geologically, and where the rocks are moving. Volcanic regions are often identical with earthquake regions, but great earthquakes show no immediate connection with volcanoes.

"About twenty earthquakes strong enough to be felt or registered occur every day in the year somewhere in the world, but only a very small pro-

portion of these are serious. The Harvard seismograph registers some eighty earthquakes a year, chiefly distant ones from 2,000 to 6,000 miles away."

To be a hero overseas Jim Jones his job forsook. But alas! instead of overseas, With him 'twas overlooked. —American Legion Weekly.



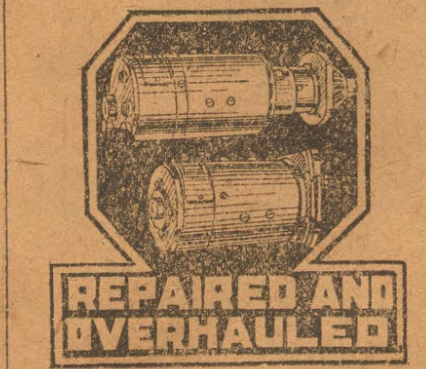
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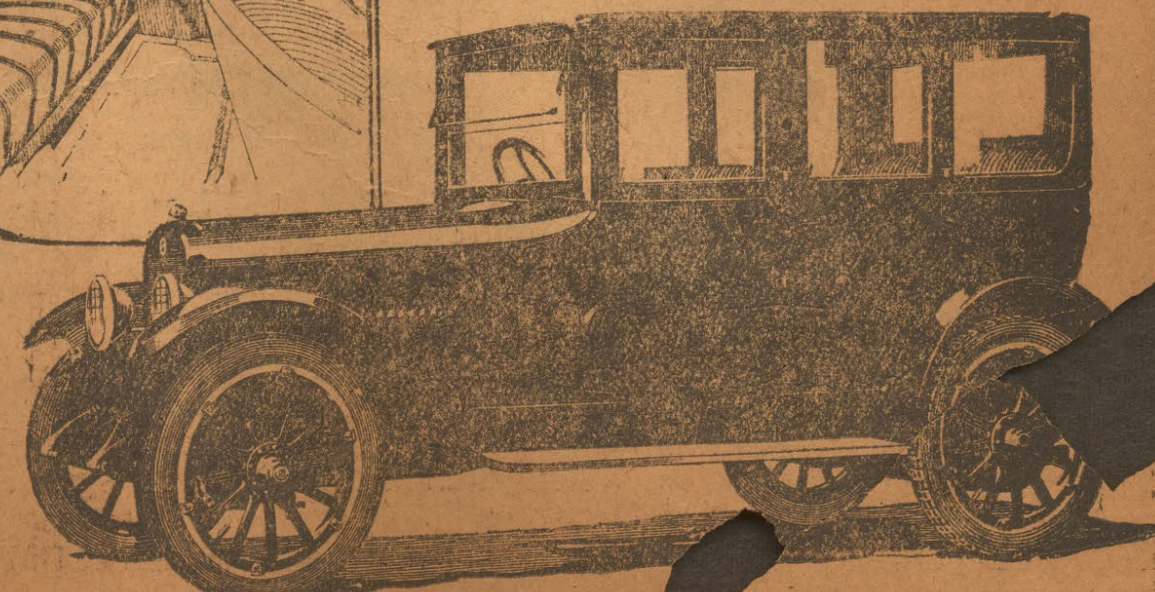
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Look to Harding for Guiding Clew on Disarmament

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—That the question of disarmament among the nations or a policy of reducing military and naval establishments will be discussed by Mr. Harding in his inaugural address March 4, is the belief entertained by those members of congress who saw the president-elect in Marion. It is regarded as conclusive that an intimation to this effect was made with whom he considered the proposition.

The probability that the incoming president immediately will outline his views on the subject of disarmament spread quickly through the house today. It caused many members to coincide with the suggestion of Elihu Root that there be no delay until after the new administration assumes office, although a greater proportion continued to favor taking up the topic at once and ascertaining what progress can be made in the direction of saving heavy expenditures for new naval construction.

At present, responsibility for delay is being placed on Mr. Harding by a large proportion of the senators. They are going on the assumption, following the position assumed by Senators Lodge and Knox, that it is the wish of Mr. Harding for postponement on disarmament or reduction in the naval construction. This desire to fix responsibility is growing, because of the fact that the country is unusually aroused and the desire of letters from back home has had the effect of making congressmen more than ordinarily nervous. A plain statement from the president-elect would be welcomed all around.

That Mr. Root's position will in no way affect the hearings of the house naval affairs committee was indicated by the announcement that Gen. Pershing will appear tomorrow, and the intention of Chairman Butler to call later Dr. David Jayne Hill, former ambassador to Germany. Representative Padgett (Tenn.), ranking Democrat of the committee, who favors disarmament in agreement and co-operation with other nations, explained that the committee did not intend to report out any measure as a result of the hearings this session, but that they are for the purpose of testing opinion.

Initial action by the house on disarmament probably depends on the speed with which the more important appropriation bills can be passed. Representative Brooks, author of the resolution for a conference of the powers, now pending, said today that he expected to get action on his resolution about the middle of February.

Chairman Porter of the foreign affairs committee, which reported the resolution, made it clear that Mr. Root's letter had not influenced his desire to see the matter through, although he was undecided about the time of action.

"I have never had confidence in Mr. Root's views since he opposed free tolls for American ships passing through the Panama Canal," said he. "Mr. Root's advice does not carry much weight, in my opinion, since he took that stand."

"The present situation is unique in history. The United States is unquestionably the dominant power. She is advocating disarmament. There has been no country in history advocating disarmament when it was admittedly the most powerful."

"I intend to see this thing through to the finish. There are two things that can be done. We can either pass the resolution in this congress and pave the way for action by the president-elect, or we can postpone action until the next session. I have not decided which I favor as the best course."

Representative Darrow (Rep., Pa.), member of the naval affairs and steering committees, today took an opposite view. He declared the Hensley amendment of the naval appropriation bill of 1916 was sufficient authority and that no new legislation is needed, and intimated that he personally did not believe the house will take any further action looking toward proportionate reduction until the new administration comes in.

House leaders appear more or less uncertain because of the absence of any guiding remark from Mr. Harding. The intimation that he will discuss disarmament in his inaugural address came to day from one who has talked with him in Marion on this subject, but who declared he has not divulged any of the remarks Mr. Harding made to him. However, the impression that Mr. Harding will deal with the subject is held by other members, possibly through the feeling that it is one of the most important questions the new administration will have confronting it. Mr. Harding recently in Marion gave definite assurance that his administration will be willing to co-operate with the other powers in moves looking toward disarmament.

Chairman Kahn of the military affairs committee today pointed out that there are only thirty-three more legislative days, with several important appropriation bills unpassed. It was his impression that the question will go over to the special session, although he declared that the gathering of opinion, such as that now in the naval affairs committee, is bound to be good. In regard to Mr. Root's letter, he said:

"Discussion pro and con leads to enlightenment, and if nothing else be accomplished at this time the mere fact that the question is being discussed by members of congress as well as by the citizens of the republic, is helpful and is bound to do good."

President-elect Harding's moves are being watched closely and may govern what the house does, and in the absence of any remark from him, it is not unlikely that additional legislation may be passed until he calls the extra session. However, this will in no way interfere with the clipping of the naval appropriation bill.

It is the general opinion that it is a matter of economy at this time to Mr. Darrow's 1916 building program, a percentage of the pointed out that he recommended, and that the contracts had been the actual building where in some cases as only started, the had been re-for building, in the way of manufacturing materials, made the whole job more nearly finished.

In 1913 the German army cost 10.85 marks (271.50) per man, officers included. Today each soldier costs the government 50 marks.

WIFE NO. 2 AIDS WIFE NO. 1 IN HER DIVORCE SUIT



The out-of-the-ordinary spectacle of a wife who is suing her husband for an absolute divorce appearing in court with her alleged rival, seemingly on the most friendly terms, was witnessed in the supreme court, New York City, recently. Mrs. Betty Clifford Coberg, who married George L. Coberg, an actor, in 1918, appeared as a friend of the first wife, Mrs. Annie Coberg, who is suing Coberg for divorce. Mrs. Annie Coberg, wife No. 1, married the actor in 1912. She left her husband two years after the wedding. The second Mrs. Coberg married Coberg a short time after he was given a disability discharge from the navy at Norfolk, Va.

CHICAGO'S 'CAP' STREETER DEAD; AFTER LONG, LOSING BATTLE FOR REAL ESTATE WORTH MILLIONS

CHICAGO, Jan. 29.—"Cap" George Wellington Streeter, picturesque, glib, pug-nacious claimant to 100 acres of "made" land in Chicago's "gold coast," has given up the battle. He was found to be dead on his houseboat in East Chicago. The houseboat was the scene of his exile ever since he was ousted from the "Deestrick of Lake Michigan" by a superior court order. He had been living on the houseboat for several weeks. His death, it is believed, was due to old age and asthma, which he contracted during his lonely vigils on the lake shore. He also suffered from the loss of an eye, which had been knocked out by a stick of kindling wood.

"Cap" Streeter was 80 years old, and for many years he had conducted litigation defending what he considered his right to the "Deestrick" which nature had created around him. He was the Gabrielle d'Annunzio of the district and he had about the same ideas regarding law as had his counterpart in Fiume. "Cap" Streeter's entrance into the affairs of Chicago was as picturesque as his subsequent career. A storm drove his boat ashore, the gale wrecking his schooner and leaving it on the sands. That was in June, 1886, and all he had left was the clothing he was wearing and a large quantity of driftwood. He continued to live on the wreck of the schooner and the sand began building around the wreckage. In course of time this amounted to more than a hundred acres in the richest district of Chicago's residential quarter. The city and government maps showed that all this "made" land was beyond the "Cap's" wreck, as he claimed it. He tore apart his schooner, and with other driftwood, built a cabin. Other adventures were attracted to the spot, and the doughty "Cap" organized a small, but efficient army and set up squatters' rights.

Constables Are Defeated. Millionaire neighbors decided he must go. Five husky constables ventured out to warn the settler to leave. They were met by the Captain and his wife Maria with army muskets. The constables fled. Streeter had won the first battle. A day or two later five city policemen made a second drive. It looked as though they were about to win, when Maria came up with a bucket of boiling water and swung it into action. The policemen scattered.

Then came a series of legal battles during which the Captain held his own. He dug out a nother temporary victory by digging up an old map with the lake shore clear by shown. He organized the "District of Lake Michigan" arguing it was outside the federal government and himself all he had jurisdiction over it. He backed up this victory by beating the millionaires again when he went to Washington and returned with a title to the land signed by President Grover Cleveland. During the nineties there was open warfare, with varying success. Raised "Army" of 30 Men. Once when the Captain had been ousted he raised an army of 30 men, equipped them with rifles and put to sea from South Chicago in a sailboat and descended upon the "district" one morning at dawn. He established headquarters leaving "Governor General" Miles as field commander. The governor of Illinois, the mayor and the sheriff were called into consultation. A city "navy" of two fire tugs, each carrying a three-inch gun, moved into position from the lake side. Sixteen patrol wagons, full of policemen, prepared for the attack from the land side. The one lone patrolman ventured into the district. He grinned. "General" Miles grinned back. Then the policeman said: "What's the use of all this? You came to take possession. You have made good; why go any further? Come with me."

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MEDICAL MEN BAFLED TO ACCOUNT FOR MANY RECENT CHILD PRODIGES BINGHAMTON, N. Y., Jan. 29.—Samuel Rzeschewski "just happened." He is a mystery and will never be explained, in the opinion of superintendents and physicians of the various state hospitals for the insane here for a two-day conference. Herodity offers no clue in the case of the boy chess wizard, and there is no satisfactory explanation for the unusual number of child prodigies who have sprung into prominence of late, the medical men agreed. Dr. George Kirby of Wards Island, New York, is in charge of the conference.

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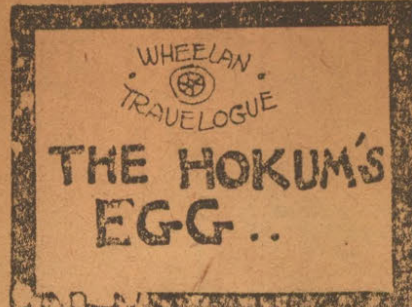
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MARIAN APARTMENTS - Two room apartments; clean and new. 607 Main.

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FOR SALE OR RENT - Corrugated iron garage, good location, on Bankhead highway, for rent or will sell on easy terms. Black Bros., Paramount hotel.

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15-HOUSES FOR SALE

FOR SALE - Two-room house, furnished. Apply 427 N. Rusk.

18-WANTED-Miscellaneous

FURNITURE bought, sold and exchanged, J. M. Wilson. New location 114 north Rusk street.

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19-FOR TRADE OR EXCHANGE

WILL sell oil and gas leases in ten-acre block on big structure where two wells are drilling and contracts let for two more; this acreage received for geological work. Four ten-acre blocks one mile from well; price \$15 per acre; four ten-acre blocks two miles from well, price \$8 per acre. If interested write or wire at once. Joe Meha, Rocky, Okla.

WANTED TO TRADE - Small house and furniture, located on Hodges street, for good second hand car. For particulars see Mrs. R. J. Kenney, 837 Blackwell road.

OIL Sulphur Shipped From Pecos; Still Has Hopes of Oil

PECOS, Texas, Jan. 29. - The first car of sulphur to be shipped from the big sulphur area in northern Reeves and Culbertson counties left that area the past week en route to the grinding plant of one of the companies in El Paso. This sulphur is trucked for twenty miles by a caterpillar tractor capable of pulling three five-ton trailers, and makes a round trip each working day.

The sulphur ore, which runs from 20 to 97 per cent pure is found on top of the ground in a large area in this county, but due to its inaccessibility development has waited until recently. One company is now installing \$80,000 worth of machinery to refine the sulphur near the mines and will truck the finished product to the railroad at Orla, twenty miles away.

Agitation of the other shallow wells in the vicinity of the Grant Oil corporation's "Miracle" well in Pecos county has again caused this well to flow. The flow occurred after the central pumping plant which is to be used to produce oil from the several producers ranging from fifty to one hundred feet was set in motion, and the flow lasted for several hours. The well, which recently started the oil world by flowing from a depth of ninety-six feet, has steadily made gas since that time, and has bubbled over with a little oil.

The Toyah Bell in Loving county has attained a depth of 2,475 feet after a fifty-foot break, which occurred under the oil saturated lime formation, and is drilling steadily. Discovery Well Drilled Deeper. The Bell discovery well has completed underdraining down to the sand which made a good production last spring, and is to start drilling through this sand Monday. Water which broke in from above stopped the production of the well. What depth there is to the sand has always been a mystery, and the oil world will watch the progress of the drill with interest.

Judge Frank E. Everett of the Citizen's Oil company, is to reach the Pecos territory Monday to take charge of the company's properties which have laid idle since a disincorporation among the stockholders last summer. The well had a good showing of gas when operations were stopped. A set of by-laws was adopted by the National Petroleum developers, an organization of the scores or more of operators in the Pecos territory, at their second weekly dinner Saturday. The organization was formed for the purpose of exchanging information regarding drilling operations.

A Resolution. "See here," said Adam to Eve. "Do you realize that the high cost of living is crippling me badly? You simply must be less extravagant in the matter of clothes." "All right dear," answered Eve obligingly. "I'll help you to economize by turning over an old leaf." - American Legion Weekly.

PECOS OIL MEN JOIN FOR TRUTH IN PUBLICITY

PECOS, Texas, Jan. 29. - False reports of development in oil fields will be attacked by the National Petroleum Developers, recently organized here, according to a statement issued by the organization. The developers, who completed their organization here today with the adoption of a constitution and by-laws, are preparing to send out official reports of developments in the various fields. The purpose of the organization, it was announced, is to "bring the developers into closer contact and co-operation both locally and nationally." The organizers announced that it was their purpose to extend the organization to take in developers from other fields.

"The need of such an organization has long been felt in all undeveloped oil fields," the statement of the developers said. "Many misleading reports as to the progress of the Pecos field have been circulated and the organizers of this association have in view the elimination of any false reports in the future. The organization contemplates sending out official reports about development from time to time and assure the world that any report bearing the signature of the National Petroleum Developers can be relied upon as being absolutely true and correct."

Developers of nineteen different oil companies were represented at the organization meeting and became charter members. The officers who were elected are: President, J. Van Clark; vice president, C. H. Willoughby; secretary-treasurer, C. J. O'Reilly. The directors are Ira J. Bell, E. L. Anderson, Guy Ratcliff, L. W. Anderson, John Wingate, S. T. Hobson and P. M. White.

MAN'S FRANK VIEWS REGARDING LAWYERS KEEP HIM OFF JURY

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 29. - "I have always heard that when lawyers get through with a lawsuit there isn't anything left for their clients." With this brutal frankness Harvey Butler explained to Attorney L. J. Stark in the district court Friday why he might not make an impartial juror. "Are you speaking from experience?" asked Mr. Stark. "No," replied the prospective juror, "but that's my impression of lawyers."

"In justice to the lawyers," interrupted Judge C. J. Morley, "I think the court ought to say that in its opinion your impression is erroneous, Mr. Butler. Lawyers are usually very fair to their clients and have thorough understandings with them before they make any settlement of their cases."

N. Y. 'OLD GUARD' FIGHTS HUGHES' APPOINTMENT

NEW YORK, Jan. 29. - The Roosevelt-Hughes feud over the question, "Who shall represent New York in the Harding Cabinet?" has broken out afresh. Continued positive announcements that Mr. Hughes has been selected for secretary of state has intensified the resentment of "Old Guard" bosses. Senators Penrose and Wadsworth and other opponents of Hughes have resumed their protests. This became known at the dinner given for James B. Sheffield on his installation as president of the Union League club last Thursday night. Eliza Hoot was a guest. He praised Sheffield glowingly as the successful manager of Senator Wadsworth's campaign for reelection and intimated that the movement to make Sheffield Senator Calder's successor might win.

The New York American's informant said yesterday: "Though the New York American was perfectly correct on December 10 in announcing that Mr. Harding had selected Charles E. Hughes for secretary of state, and though Hughes continues on the Harding slate, Senator Root's friends are still full of fight and have renewed their campaign to eliminate the former governor."

CLEVELAND BOASTS OF MANY 'FREAK FACTORIES'

CLEVELAND, Jan. 29. - Cleveland, one of the largest manufacturing cities in the country, has many odd industries and "freak factories" scattered throughout the city. Adolph Wurfl, whose sign above his "studio" door proclaims him landscape gardener and bird house architect, builds bird houses of all kinds, from big ones made of tree trunks for owls, to little ones made of cocoonnut shells for wrens. The interior of the studio is lined with bird houses of all shapes and sizes and other bird houses are nailed to the exterior of the building, from a fourteen-suite apartment for robins to a little room

hollowed out of a tree trunk for a bluebird. Thomas L. Fairfield makes his living, and a good one, by raising canaries in his stone cottage in which bird cages literally cover the walls and hang from the ceiling. George Legio makes violins in a little shop on Lorain avenue, all hand made and hand carved from spruce or maple. Normandy. "An' how many children have ye had altogether?" "Why, I had only one at a time." - American Legion Weekly.

BRAZILIANS OBJECT TO JAPANESE COLONY PLAN RIO DE JANEIRO, Jan. 29. - Concession by the Minas Gerais state government of certain favors to the Japanese company which proposes to settle 200 or more Japanese families on 250,000 acres of land and employ them in silk making has again raised a discussion in the press of this city regarding Japanese immigration into Brazil. There is objection made to Japanese immigration on the ground of lower standards of living, different standards of morals and inability to coalesce with other strains.



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PAUPERS ARE PRINCES IN THE LIFE THEY LEAD AT UNIQUE KING CLUB

Former Millionaires, Depleted in Purse by Fate, Fixed for Rest of Their Days by Forethought of Chicagoan, Whose \$5,000,000 Bequest Is Held Valid.

CHICAGO, Jan. 29.—Paupers live like princes as members of one of America's most exclusive clubs.

Eighty millionaires or men of wealth of bygone days, made penniless by fate, are passing their last days in dignity and complacency in the luxurious James C. King club of Chicago.

Membership is restricted to those once extremely wealthy, but who were forced to the wall and pauperism by unfortunate financial operations.

All the guests were invited after a full investigation of their former financial rating was made. Applications for membership are never acted on. Those who distributed their millions are barred.

Rules Will Waive Valid.

A haven of rest for such princely paupers was assured perpetually when Judge Besse Baldwin recently decided that the will of the late James C. King of Chicago, leaving \$5,000,000 for the maintenance of the club, was valid. The judge ruled the will presented by Gaston B. Means out of court as a forgery.

The club building is a palatial million-dollar structure overlooking Washington Park. The furnishings are the most luxurious the King millions could buy.

Every member has a private apartment. Libraries, billiard halls, gymnasiums and writing rooms are provided for the guests.

No attendants outline the conduct of the guests. The members elect their own house committee, which runs the club. Gold-braided flunkies snap to attention at the command of the members.

Guests are spared the embarrassment of visits by the curious. Only friends of a member may visit and then only after a cross-examination at the door.

The "Colonel" who went broke as the president of a Western railroad, and whose name is withheld because he, like others there, has pride even though broke, told of life at the club.

"It's a pretty respectable 'lax," the Colonel smiled a bit sadly. However, he did not speak of his past possessions.

Members of the club do not discuss their former lives. Their past of plenty is over. They take great pride, however, in being in the club.

Still Are Aristocrats.

To them it means they once achieved greatness in financial and industrial cir-

cles even though they went broke trying for new worlds to conquer.

They are aristocrats still. "I only have one intimate friend in the place," said the Colonel. "The other members are all right, but one likes to choose his friends."

"Dinner is now served," the Colonel invited. He was attired in a tuxedo as were the other members when they gathered in the spacious dining hall, where the best of foods, prepared by a \$8,000-a-year chef, were served.

MASONRY SHOWS BIG INCREASE IN ENGLAND

By Associated Press.

LONDON, Jan. 29.—Three times as many Masonic lodges were instituted in 1920 in England and those parts of the dominions where the United Grand Lodge of England has jurisdiction, as in any of the previous seven years, according to a report just made public here. Similar increases were announced by Scottish and Irish grand lodges and chapters.

Freemason's hall, the craft's London headquarters, has become too small for the demands made upon it, and the return from India of the Duke of Connaught, the grand master, is awaited for the completion of a big extension scheme, including a new Masonic temple and offices to be erected as a memorial to members who fell in the war.

VETERAN SEA CAPTAIN TO RETIRE AFTER 30 YEARS' SERVICE



Captain J. B. Ransom, commander of the S. S. Adriatic, has left New York for Europe on his last trip as commander of a transatlantic liner. Captain Ransom has been in the service of the White Star line for more than twenty years and is one of the best-known skippers in the transatlantic service. He commanded many vessels during the war and was decorated by King George for his services in transporting troops. On his arrival in England Captain Ransom will retire to his farm.

Nearly two hundred warships, including one superdreadnaught and sixty-six destroyers were completed for the American navy during the fiscal year ending last June 30, and more than 100 others, including eleven superdreadnaughts and six great battle cruisers, were under construction.

Treason Charge Against Belgian Premier Dropped

By Associated Press.

BRUSSELS, Jan. 29.—A parliamentary commission investigating the connection of former Premier De Broqueville with the case of the Barons Evence Coppee, father and son, rich mine operators who were arrested for alleged assistance rendered the Germans during the war, has decided that there shall be no prosecution of the former premier.

The Barons Coppee were recently released on bail, on the admission by De Broqueville that he had permitted them to operate their coal mines during the German occupation in order to furnish coal to the Belgian civilians. De Broqueville's political opponents had clamored in the press for his prosecution.

Nasty Stir.

"There don't seem to be as many tramps around here as there were," said the housewife.

"No," agreed the crippled ex-soldier.

"A lot of them are still in the shipyards."—American Legion Weekly.

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YANKS TAKE TO SHIPS JUST LIKE DUCKS TO WATER, RECORDS SHOW

By Associated Press.

ROTTERDAM, Jan. 29.—Whatever may be the ultimate fate of the American merchant marine, the American jack tar has come back to his own. This is the verdict of constant observers in the shipping department of the United States consulate general at Rotterdam, one of the biggest ports for American ships in Europe, to which come monthly thousands of American merchant seamen.

"These Yankee ships' officers and sailors, for the most part products of only two or three years of training, have learned to handle their big freighters with all of the skill of the windjammer crews of the old Yankee clipper days. They do not, for the most part, know how to reef a topsail or do any of the hundreds of nautical things for which there were rich

sounding terms in the days of the sailing ships. But when it comes to piloting a big steamer through a heavy gate, stoking the fires of the coal burners, or turning to with a vim at any of the emergency tasks that may develop at sea, the American born-American trained ship's officer or "A. B." (able bodied seaman) in the language of the seamen's resorts on the Schiedamsche dijk here, "won't take nuthin' from nobody."

Real Able Seamen.

The big books of the consulate general, in which are recorded the histories of the voyages of these American ships and the complaints of the crews, bear out Jack's contention that he is as able a seaman as any who sails the seven seas.

"These records show," said one of the consular officials, "that American

ships' officers are as efficient as British, Dutch or Scandinavians trained long to the sea. They show that the young American sailor can learn his work quickly, that a boy whose nautical experience three years ago was confined to pumping water for the cows on the farm, or bathing in the old swimmin' hole, can adapt himself to his ship as well as a Norwegian lad who has been trawling for fish since he first wore trousers.

"For a short time, because of lack of proper charts and much inexperience, accidents to American ships seemed much more frequent than to those of other nationalities. Now, this is changing.

"American born, newly trained enlists have no more trouble with their crews than the masters of ships flying other flags, or masters who have become naturalized Americans in order to get an American ship. In fact, in many cases they have less.

"Not long ago, an American captain, who was only 27 years old, brought his tramp freighter all around the world, making money on the voyage, and his crew had not a single complaint to record against him."

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