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ANOTHER GOOD SNOWFALL

Non-resident readers will be pleased to read that this country is again under a blanket of white, making crop prospects that much the better. A rain Monday and Tuesday, with the present snowfall of about four inches, means an inch or more of water into the ground. Old residents say that more moisture has fallen already than during any winter for the past ten or twelve years. This is a damp snow with no wind, just the kind to stay where it falls until absorbed into the ground.

Kansas Club Will Meet Christmas

After a few weeks cessation in their activities as a club, the members of the Kansas Club will meet Christmas Day in a joint dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Brown, about two miles from Portales. Every former resident of Kansas is invited to come, exchange experiences, enjoy a good social time and take part in the program.

J. C. Compton made a business trip to Amarillo Wednesday, returning today.

Jim Turner has been seriously ill with pneumonia but seems to be on the mend again.

Patrons of the First National Bank will find that institution in the new building after this week.

T. E. Mears is one of those having to spend part of the week at home on account of illness.

T. E. Bell reports eight or ten inches of snowfall at Mountair Monday night; he returned home Tuesday.

Miss Bess Dehonie went to the Clovis hospital Monday for treatment after several weeks illness here at the home of her sister, Mrs. E. C. Murrell.

C. F. Anderson of Slaton, Tex., came over Sunday to attend the funeral of his niece, Ina Retha Anderson, who died last Saturday and was buried Sunday afternoon.

S. J. Stinnett, county superintendent of schools, has been kept home a few days by illness, but was able to come on the streets yesterday.

Rev. L. M. Gambrell went Monday to Albuquerque to attend the board meeting of the Baptist church, but will be home for the Sunday services.

Sanford Fairly and Forrest Bramlett returned Sunday from Albuquerque where they have been in attendance at the University of New Mexico.

Col. J. B. Priddy of Portales is one of the committees for the inauguration ceremony to be held in Santa Fe when the new state officials are inducted into office.

T. A. Bell and son George started Monday morning for their homesteads out toward Magdalena with the intention of having a well drilled for their water supply. T. E. Bell went along to drive the car.

J. F. Gardner and family left this week for Clovis where they will conduct a restaurant and rooming house at that place. "Jim Fred" is a first class restaurant man and there is no doubt but what they will make good in their new location.

Paul Morrison arrived Tuesday morning from Camp Cody where he was mustered out; he was stationed for a time at Camp Pike, Ark., and at Camp Dix, New Jersey; was on the ocean a day and night but the transport was ordered back when the armistice was arranged.

NEW LODGE OFFICERS

Eastern Star Officers
The members of the Eastern Star will meet for joint installation of officers with the Masons on December 27, St. Johns Day; the newly elected officers are: Mrs. W. S. Merrill, W. M.; Dr. D. B. Williams, W. P.; Mrs. F. D. Galloway, associate matron; Mrs. J. C. Compton, conductress; Mrs. A. G. Kenyon, associate conductress; Mrs. D. B. Williams, secretary; Mrs. T. J. Molinari, treasurer.

New Masonic Officers
The Masons elected the following officers for 1919 and they will be installed December 27: Frank D. Galloway, W. M.; A. F. Jones, S. W.; John W. Ballow, J. W.; John A. Fairly, secretary; and Seth A. Morrison, treasurer.

Modern Woodmen Elect
At a recent meeting the M. W. A. camp elected the following officers for 1919: C. V. Harris, consul; H. V. Thompson, adviser; M. B. Jones, clerk; J. D. McRae, Etna Watts and W. S. Merrill, managers.

Odd Fellows Elected
At the lodge meeting last Tuesday night the I. O. O. F. selected for 1919 officers, the following: J. C. Compton, noble grand; Thos. W. Maxwell, vice-grand; Frank R. Smith, secretary and treasurer.

W. O. W. Elected Monday Night
The Woodmen of the World met Monday night and elected officers for the ensuing year. Those elected were: Bascom Howard, C. C.; J. N. McCall, A. L.; S. B. Owens, Banker; W. H. Braley, Clerk; Clifford Deen, Past Consul; J. E. Henderson, Escort; Dave Colligan, Watchman; Malcom Trout, Sentry; W. E. Crow, Manager; William D. Kenyon, Captain.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Taylor December 14, a daughter. A son was born Monday to Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Johnson, near Portales.

A son was born Monday, December 16, to Mr. and Mrs. J. L. May.

F. T. Henderson is here from Childress, Texas, visiting relatives for a few days. He arrived Tuesday.

Ina Retha Anderson
daughter of L. M. Anderson, was born near Bethel, this county, April 29, 1904; died at her home near Portales, Saturday, December 14, 1918, after an illness of influenza and pneumonia. Her mother died when she was five days old and she has been recently with her aunt, Mrs. J. L. May. Burial was made Sunday afternoon in the Bethel cemetery, the funeral services being conducted by George Smith. Her school mates miss her and her relatives sorrow over her untimely death.

Over 300,000 Die of Influenza
Washington, Dec. 10.—Between influenza and pneumonia have occurred among the civilian population of the United States since Sept. 15, according to estimates of the Public Health Service. These calculations were based on reports from cities and states keeping accurate records, and the public health officials believe they are conservative.

The insurance companies have been hard hit by the epidemic. Government reports indicate, although there are no figures available to show total losses sustained by the companies. The Government incurred liabilities of more than \$170,000,000 in connection with life insurance carried by soldiers in army camps not including those in Europe. About 20,000 deaths occurred in the camps in the United States, War Department records show.



May the Christmas season bring joys of Peace to You; and in the coming year may there be no Embargo on your happiness; may your opportunities not be Entrenched; may the Battles of the past be forgotten, and the Bugle call lead you on to loved ones who love you, and watch over you.

PENTECOSTAL MEETING

Beginning at 7 p. m. on Christmas Eve, Rev. Norman R. Nichols, general evangelist, will conduct a series of revival meetings in the Progressive Christian church house. A number of workers and other ministers are expected to help. Everybody invited.

At the Methodist Church Sunday

Sunday School at 10 o'clock. Preaching at 11; subject, "Sin, and Its Forgiveness." The subject of the sermon at night will depend on the personnel of the congregation. We have had a long rest and an awful warning, so let us all be in our places. W. W. Turner, Pastor.

Baptist Church Announcement

Mr. Leonard L. Campbell will preach at the Baptist church next Sunday evening. The pastor will speak in the morning on "The Song of the Angels." This will be a Christmas service. You are invited to attend these and all other services at the Baptist church. We shall have Christmas exercises at the church on Christmas Eve at 7 p. m. Leon M. Gambrell, Pastor.

Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Carter were up from Lovington the latter part of last week and the first of this. They were called here on account of the illness of Mrs. Carter's niece, Ina Retha Anderson, who died last Saturday morning.

Santa Claus at M. E. Church

The jolly gift giver is expected to stop for a few minutes at the M. E. church next Tuesday evening following a short literary program by members of the Sunday School. The committee plans to have a small tree with treats for the children of the Sunday School and others who may come, but no other presents will be placed on the tree. It is probable that contributions will be called for to be used in relief work among the Armenians.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Ribble were among the influenza sufferers the past week.

J. B. Peterson, the county agent went to Roswell Tuesday to load a car with their household goods; he has rented a house from Ed J. Neer.

BURIED AT CHATILLON

In the following letter to his aunt, Mrs. F. M. McDermott, Marshall Wilson tells of the death of his cousin Frank C. McDermott of Portales who fell on the French battlefield of Chateau-Thierry: France, Nov. 18, 1918.

Dear Aunt Mag:— I have been a little over a month now in a training school for Engineer officers material and the declaration of an armistice hasn't yet stopped our training.

In the mess line yesterday I talked to a boy who was a friend of Carl's in the 2nd Engineers. He said after the Germans had been repulsed at Chateau-Thierry their regiment started strengthening the American position. Of course most of the work had to be done at night. Carl went out with a party of about twenty-five men to give first aid to any of them who might be hurt while they were putting up a line of barbed wire entanglements. The Germans started shelling them heavily as soon as they reached their work and got about half of them, getting Carl while he was working with the others.

As usual, he was busy doing something for someone else. He rests in a little American cemetery about two hundred yards out of the little town of Chatillon.

Fenner says that shortly before, Carl had been recommended for the Distinguished Service Cross for work done on the field and would have gotten it.

The war is over without me getting a chance at a German. They are thoroughly beaten and we can't wish any more. I know you are glad Hugh did not have to get into it. As usual, our correspondence has not been frequent and I am anxious to hear from him.

Give my best to Uncle Frank and the boys and accept much love for yourself. If the boats keep running I hope to see you again in the near future.

Wag. J. M. Wilson,
Co. E, 18th Eng. Rgmt.
A. P. O. 705, A. E. F.

ARMISTICE RESULTS

At the time of the signing of the armistice, many people seriously doubted the practicability of full compliance of its terms. Their apprehensions, however, seem to have been entirely groundless, for the work incident to the taking over of the German fleet, airplanes and war material and the forward movement of the allied army through Belgium, eastern France and even into the German territory west of the Rhine has proceeded steadily and without any serious difficulties. An interesting circumstance in this connection is the fact that the Allied armies of occupation seem to be regarded by both the local authorities and the people generally, in the German towns now being taken over, as liberators and friends rather than enemies. This situation is no doubt due to the fact that, in the exercise of general control over German territory, the Allied authorities are showing themselves to be much more considerate of the rights of the people than were the representatives of the former German autocracy.

Jim Warnica returned Wednesday from training camp.

THURSDAY PRODUCE PRICES

Quoted by Carl Moss & Co.
Butter Fat, per pound.....67c
Fresh Eggs, per dozen.....55c
Hens, per pound.....16c
Fryers, 2½ lbs and under.....50c
Old roosters, per pound.....3c
Geese, per pound.....14c
Ducks, per pound.....13c
Turkey Hens, (over 7 lbs. at 10c of health.
Toms, (over 11 lbs.) of health.
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Horse hides.....

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LARGER NAVY IS NOW BEING PLANNED

ADMIRAL BADGER SAYS THE COMMITTEE PLANS CALL FOR 19 SUPERSHIPS

EQUAL TO THE BRITISH IN 1925

Services To Uphold League of Nations—U. S. Has Yards and Skilled Workmen To Carry Out Construction, He Points Out.

WHAT NAVY CHIEFS ASK FROM CONGRESS

Three-year building program as recommended by Secretary Daniels.

Sixteen battle cruisers in addition to the six of 45,000 tons already authorized.

Nineteen of these battle cruisers to be completed by 1925 to equal Great Britain's program.

One hundred and eight destroyers in addition to the 342 either built or being built.

Twenty-one submarines, 146 "g" type, twenty-four anti-submarine and forty-two mine layers, in addition to the 169 coast and fleet submarines already authorized.

Washington.—Neither the end of hostilities nor proposals for a league of nations has altered the policy of the general board of the navy in regard to making the American navy second to none in the world.

Rear Admiral Charles J. Badger, chairman of the executive committee of the board, told the house naval affairs committee that the navy should be equal to that of any other nation by 1925, and urged that sufficient appropriations to make this possible, be made by congress.

The general board believes that under the present world conditions the conditions likely to obtain in the future, Admiral Badger said, "the United States navy should steadily increase. Ultimately it will be equal to the most powerful nations by any other nation of the world. Year by year development should be made as consistent with the necessities of the country, but the limit to be defined should be attained, not later than 1925."

Completion of the three-year building program authorized in 1916, and which was halted to build anti-submarine craft, was recommended by Admiral Badger. Work has not yet started on six battleships, six battle cruisers, two destroyer tenders and one fleet submarine tender, he said.

Lack of ships of this type, he declared, would have been a handicap to the United States if it had not been fighting the war alone.

Admiral Badger said that before the war was signed the greater part of the navy, the general board had recommended a six-year building program to include twelve dreadnaughts and sixteen battle cruisers, but added that immediate necessities would be met by the three-year building program recommended by the secretary of the navy.

This program will add sixteen battle cruisers to the six already authorized, he said, and at the same time the rate of authorization would be a total of nineteen by 1925.

Great Britain now has thirteen of these vessels built or building, he said, and it is estimated she will have sixteen by 1925.

Vessels Are Powerful. Admiral Badger said that type of fleet, American battleships compare favorably in power with those of any other nation, pointing out that the battleships to be laid down are designed for a displacement of 30,000 tons of twenty-three knots speed, a main battery of twelve six-inch guns and are heavily armored.

They will be the most powerful vessels in the world, he said.

Admiral Badger stated that proposals for 103 destroyers is made in the 1920 three-year program. There are now 342 either built or being built, he said, and in 1925 there will, therefore, be a total of 450, compared to England's 516 at present.

Big Submarine Program. The submarine program calls for fleet submarines, 146 "S" type, 24 "H" submarines and 42 mine layers," he said. "There are now built, building and authorized, a total of 169 fleet submarines and twelve fleet submarines."

Value of German Mark Declines. London.—The value of the German mark has fallen below forty-two to the dollar.

Havana Strike Spreads. Havana.—The general strike in Havana continues to spread. Walkers at the hotels and cafes walk out.

War Projects Abandoned. Washington.—An abandonment of nine war construction projects, including a number of straits and other naval plants, was announced by the war department. Projects abandoned include the nitrate plant at Little Rock.

CHILE DECLINES WILSON'S AID

GOVERNMENT'S REPLY IS INTERPRETED AS REFUSAL

ARGENTINA'S OFFER IN FAVOR

Washington Views Situation More Hopefully While Urging Peaceful Settlement of Issues.

Buenos Aires.—The reply of Chile to the offer of President Wilson to mediate in the controversy between Chile and Peru is looked upon by Chilean newspapers as a refusal to accept American mediation.

The American note said that President Wilson "was ready to attend to any suggestion made by Chile."

On the other hand, President Irigoyen of Argentina sent a note to Chile in which he said he offered mediation "in order to arrange definitely the Tacna-Arica problem."

Dispatches from Chile indicate that there is a tendency in that country to accept the Argentina offer and refuse the American. Chilean statesmen insist that the question should be settled according to the treaty of Ancon.

Wilson May Be Asked To Explain. Santiago.—The attitude of the government toward mediation between Chile and Peru is still unknown. The cabinet has met several times to consider the offers of mediation, made by President Wilson and President Irigoyen of Argentina, and the foreign minister has received numerous visits from various diplomats.

The newspapers seem to look favorably upon the offer of President Irigoyen, and in their editorials express the belief that it is more favored than that of President Wilson. The foreign office, however, is expected to ask President Wilson to explain more fully the terms of his offer.

No Official Reply Yet. Washington.—Information reaching the state department indicated that the situation with respect to Chile and Peru, growing out of the disputed provinces of Tacna and Arica, is more hopeful. The United States has urged upon both countries that every step be taken to preserve amicable relations and it was said the offer of the American government to adjust the dispute was made with a view to preserving peaceful relations throughout the American continent.

Peru has accepted the offer of the United States, but no official word has come from Chile.

Mediation Accepted by Peru. Lima.—It is announced that the Peruvian government accepts the proffered mediation of the United States and Argentina in a settlement of the dispute with Chile. As a consequence the boycott against Chilean vessels has been ended.

DISLIKE M'ADOO'S PLAN

Rail Chiefs Oppose Five Years Government Control.

Philadelphia.—Railroad executives, representing 125 roads and 92 per cent of the mileage of the country gave out a formal statement in which they declared that Director General McAdoo's suggestion that the government retain control of the railroads until Jan. 1, 1924, "would simply lead to delay and confusion, demoralization of the organization of the roads, both on their corporate and operating side, and defer indefinitely a satisfactory settlement" of the railroad problem.

The executives, the statement said, "have reached the conclusion that there is sufficient time under the terms of the present act to fully consider the railroad situation in all its aspects and arrive at a plan that would be just to the country."

The statement was given out by Thomas DeWitt Cuyler, Philadelphia, chairman of the railway executives' advisory committee, now known as the Association of Railway Executives. The association is considering problems that will arise in connection with the return of the railroad properties to their private owners.

Washington.—Recommendation of Director General McAdoo that government control of railroads be continued to Jan. 1, 1924, gave impetus to congressional consideration of legislation looking to a solution of the railway problem and also was the subject of brief debate in the senate.

King Not Coming To America. London.—Reports that King George contemplates a visit to the United States are denied here.

More Bolshevik Butchery. Stockholm.—Generals Russki and Dimitrioff of the Russian army have been shot by order of the local soviet at Praprogorsk, according to an unofficial Ukrainian statement received here from Petrograd. M. Rukhloff, former minister of commerce and communications in the Russian cabinet, was shot at the same time.

HALF OF ARMY IN U. S. SHIPS AND AMERICAN NAVY FURNISHED MOST OF CONVOY

Not a Single Soldier Carried in United States Transports Was Lost On Way.

New York.—With the consent of the navy department, the offices of Vice Admiral Gleaves, commander of the cruiser and transport force, made public a report showing exactly the proportionate share of troops conveyed to France in American vessels. Of the entire army of 2,079,880 men taken over, the statistics show, 46 1/2 per cent were carried in American ships, 48 1/2 in British, and the balance in French and Italian vessels.

Of the total strength of the naval escort guarding all these convoys, the United States furnished 82 per cent; Great Britain 14 1/2 per cent and France 3 1/2 per cent.

It was felt that these official figures should be made public owing to the discrepancies in the statements of many public speakers as to the relative share taken by the different naval forces enabling American troops to reach the battle line in sufficient force to turn the tide against Germany.

In actual numbers of men transported, 912,082 were carried in American naval transports and 40,949 in other American ships; 1,066,987 were carried in British bottoms and 68,246 in British leased Italian ships, and 52,066 by French and Italian ships.

From May, 1917, to November 11, last, there were 391 sailings of American naval transports, 123 of other American troop ships; 546 of British ships and eighty-two of other ships. Not a single soldier of those carried in United States naval transports was lost.

Wheat Crop Larger. The wheat crop is larger than the five-year average, and almost 300,000,000 bushels larger than last year's crop, but it is more than the record crop of 1915.

Almost all of the crops were worth more this year than in any previous year because of the high prices paid to producers. Corn's value was more than three and one-half billion dollars, wheat almost two billions, hay and cotton more than a billion and one-half and oats more than a billion.

The value of the various crops, based on December 1 prices to producers, follows:

Corn is Most Valuable. Corn, \$3,528,313,000; winter wheat, \$1,154,200,000; spring wheat, \$720,423,000; all wheat, \$1,574,623,000; oats, \$1,092,423,000; barley, \$385,269,000; rye, \$102,423,000.

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The letter was addressed to Senator Smith of South Carolina, and Representative Sims, chairman, respectively, of the senate and house interstate commerce committees. Mr. McAdoo explained that to continue government operation for twenty-one months after formal declaration of peace under present conditions, would mean disruption of morale among employees and officers, and could not enable the government to go ahead with improvements and purchase of equipment. Another alternative, the prompt return of the railroads to private control without legislation to permit elimination of the wasteful competition, would be "hurtful alike to the public interest and to the railroads themselves," he said and the difficulty of obtaining immediate legislation providing a permanent solution, is apparent.

SHIPS TO BRING MEN HOME U. S. Navy Plans Prominent Part in Homecoming.

New York.—With fourteen battleships and ten armored cruisers refitted as troop ships and forty-four transports assigned to this service, the department expects to play a prominent part in bringing home from France the American expeditionary forces. The battleships will carry on the average 1,000 soldiers, and the cruisers 1,600, in addition to their crews. It was learned at the office of the cruiser and transport service here, while the troops will be utilized largely to convey the sick and wounded.

Treasury Announces Certificate Issue. Washington.—Another bi-weekly issue of loan certificates of indebtedness of \$500,000,000 or more, bearing 4 1/2 per cent interest, was announced by the treasury. The certificates will be payable May 20.

Inoculation Stops Influenza, Claim. Chicago.—Ninety per cent of the deaths from influenza and pneumonia are preventable when a proper vaccine is used, according to an address by Dr. E. C. Roseow of Rochester, Minn., before the annual meeting of the American Public Health Association. Surgeon General Blue, head of the United States public health service, also a speaker at the conference, said that nearly 350,000 deaths occurred among civilians from Sept. 1, 1918, to Dec. 1, 1919, from influenza and pneumonia.

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Piez Takes Place Vacated By Schwab. Washington.—Charles Piez, vice-president and general manager of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, is to succeed Charles M. Schwab as director-general of the corporation.

CROP TOTAL IS \$12,272,412,000

GREATEST YEAR AMERICAN FARMERS HAVE EVER HAD

MOST CROPS BREAK RECORDS

King Corn Leads the List At Valuation of \$3,528,313,000; Cotton, \$1,154,200,000; Kafir \$99,848,000; Peanuts \$91,522,000.

Washington.—With a total value of \$12,272,412,000, the nation's principal farm crops this year were worth more, based on prices paid to farmers December 1; than in any year in the history of American agriculture. December crop estimates of the department of agriculture showed that this year's total exceeds that of the former record year, 1917, by \$614,380,000. There also was a marked increase in acreage, the 355,895,722 total exceeding that of last year by 10,700,000 acres.

These crop figures were looked upon with satisfaction by officials as showing that the nation will be in even better position to fulfill its pledge of 20,000,000 tons of foodstuffs to Europe next year than had been expected.

Most of the crops are larger than the five-year average and some of them established records, particularly spring wheat, barley, rye and tobacco. Corn, however, fell below the five-year average. Estimates placed the crop at 166,384,000 bushels less than forecast in November, with a total of 2,582,814,000 bushels. That is almost half a billion bushels less than last year's record crop.

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Pithy News Items Gathered From All Over New Mexico

Western Newspaper Union News Service. Britain day was observed at Albuquerque.

A grocery and fruit store was destroyed by fire at Deming.

Conservation Week for World Relief was observed throughout New Mexico.

The power plant of the Carlsbad Water and Light Company burned to the ground.

The new sanatorium which is being erected at Valmore near Watrous is near completion.

The new \$100,000 hotel at Lovington formally opened to the public with appropriate ceremonies.

The Knights of Columbus have decided to erect a building at the State College which is to cost \$10,000.

Wounded in action, degree undetermined, previously reported missing in action, James H. Howard, Captain.

It is announced that 5,000 soldiers are to be quartered at Fort Wingate as soon as accommodations can be prepared for them.

In Federal Court at Albuquerque, Mrs. Della Brock of Deming, charged with immoral relations with soldiers, was found guilty on two counts.

The Socorro Mining and Milling Company are sinking their main shaft at Mogollon. This is approaching the 1,200-foot station and is the deepest workings in the district.

The schools of Gallup open after being closed for two months. They were closed Oct. 6th, on account of the influenza epidemic, and some of the buildings converted into hospitals.

Augustine Chavez, charged with selling liquor to Indians, pleaded guilty when arraigned before Judge Neblett, and was fined \$100 and costs, and sentenced to sixty days in the Bernalillo county jail.

Word has been received of the marriage of Miss Margaret C. de Baca, daughter of the late Governor E. C. de Baca, to A. J. Martinez, of Alamosa, Colo. The wedding took place at Del Norte, Colo.

New Mexico casualties include Capt. George T. Fleet, Tularosa, slightly wounded; Dowe, D. Wilson, Texico, slightly wounded; Chester A. Harding, Gallup, missing in action, and Orvel Burehett of Field, dead of disease.

William G. Connors, in default of \$2,000 bail, is in the jail at Estancia, on the charge of being the father of a child born to his 16-year-old stepdaughter. His six fatherless children have been awarded to the custody of the Children's Home Society.

H. J. Krackowicz, who came into prominence in Las Vegas some time since when he founded an agency for distribution of electric lighting to ranch houses, was arrested in Denver on a complaint filed in Taos against certain checks which he issued.

Col. Frank M. Gryla, one of the most noted Polish noblemen in this country, head of the Polish alliance, and prominent in the activities of the Poles in this country to help defeat the Huns, died of a complication of troubles at a sanitarium in Santa Fe. He was 70 years of age. He was conscious until the end.

Advised that the federal government has removed all restrictions on the erection of buildings, Secretary Doyle of the Santa Fe Chamber of Commerce, has forwarded an inquiry to Senator Jones and Congressman Walton in reference to the status of the public building which has been authorized to be constructed in Santa Fe to house the postoffice.

The greater portion of the program for the coming session of the New Mexico Teachers' Association which is to convene in Albuquerque on the 26th, 27th and 28th of December, has been completed and announced.

According to reliable information received at Albuquerque the commanding general at Camp Cody has been instructed to abandon and salvage the camp at once. There are about 14,000 troops there now, and the demobilization may take about a month, or six weeks. The base hospital will be retained for the present, as there are several cases of pneumonia and other diseases there.

Miss Helen Kelly of Las Vegas has been chosen by the Joint mayors, Eugenio Romero and F. A. Blood, to act as sponsor and christen the ship "Las Vegas" which is shortly to be launched under the auspices of the emergency fleet corporation, and which has been named on account of the city's record in going over the top in the Tenth Federal Reserve district in the recent Liberty Loan drive. Miss Kelly is given the honor because of the great amount of war work which she has done.

State Engineer James A. French announced that work has begun to put a concrete floor in the bridge over Santa Fe creek, at the bottom of La Bajada.

The opening session of the convention of the New Mexico Game Protective Association took place at the Chamber of Commerce auditorium at Albuquerque.

Sierra county has been tied up as the result of a snowstorm, the heaviest ever known this time of the year, which fell at Hillsboro for three days last of November.

TOO WEAK TO FIGHT

The "Come-back" man was really never down-and-out. His weakened condition because of overwork, lack of exercise, improper eating and living demands stimulation to satisfy the cry for a health-giving appetite and the restraining sleep essential to strength. GOLD MEDAL, Farnham Oil Capsules, the National Remedy of Holland, will do the work. They are wonderful.

Three of these capsules each day will put a man on his feet before he knows it; whether his trouble comes from uric acid poisoning, the kidneys, gravel or stone in the bladder, stomach derangement or other ailments that befell the over-talented American. The best known, most reliable remedy for these troubles is GOLD MEDAL Farnham Oil Capsules. This remedy has stood the test for more than 200 years since its discovery in the ancient laboratories in Holland. It acts directly and gives relief at once. Don't wait until you are entirely down-and-out, but take them today. Your druggist will gladly refund your money if they do not help you. Accept no substitutes. Look for the name GOLD MEDAL on every box, three sizes. They are the pure, original, imported Farnham Oil Capsules.—Adv.

Keeping the Faith. A man returning from Philadelphia tells of a ragged newsboy, who, after his papers were all sold, still stood near Independence hall lustily shouting the news of Germany's surrender. "I'm just a-doin' what the Liberty bell would do if it could," explained the little patriot.

Important to Mothers. Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, that famous old remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. Fitcher. In Use for Over 30 Years. Children Cry for Fitcher's Castoria.

Making Things Worse. It was at a party. He slipped up and tweaked her ear. She turned her head.

"Beg pardon," he stammered. "I thought it was my wife."

"It is quite all right," the lady replied.

"You see," he went on, "we sometimes get the wrong sow by the ear—"

And that was about all for him.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Cure pimples, headaches, bad breath by taking May Apple, Aloe, Jalap rolled into a tiny sugar pill called Doctor Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. Adv.

When His Feet Hurt. It was at the "bull ring" in one of the French bases—where the new drafts undergo their final hardening process. The "stik, lame and lazy" had fallen out, and there paraded before an unsympathetic M. O. a rare specimen of the genus lead swinger.

"It's my feet, sir. They're all right while we're running, but as soon as we halt they 'urt something cruel."

"Well, my lad," replied the M. O. "when the company halts you go on marking time."

Not Frederick! "You sign this deed of your own free will, do you, madam?" asked the lawyer.

"What do you mean by that?" demanded the large, florid-faced woman.

"I mean there has been no compulsion on the part of your husband. Has there?"

"M'm!" she ejaculated, turning to look at the little meek man sitting behind her. "Frederick? I'd like to see him compulse me."

Acid-Stomach Ruins Health of Millions

Besides those painful attacks of indigestion; that awful bloated, lumpy feeling after eating and downright stomach misery that you who have experienced it know so well; besides disgusting belching, food-repeating, sour stomach and distressing heartburn—besides all this, ACID-STOMACH undermines the health and saps the strength of millions.

If you don't get rid of those stomach miseries there is no telling where your stomach troubles will end, for it is a well known scientific fact that many serious ailments have their start in an acid-stomach.

Start now—this very day to get rid of your stomach miseries—take EATONIC—the wonderful remedy that absorbs the excess acid from the stomach and brings INSTANT relief. You simply have no idea how much better, stronger and brighter you feel at once. It drives out all the gas and bloating, puts an immediate stop to belching and heartburn, ends stomach suffering and makes it cool, sweet, comfortable and strong.

There can be no further excuse for you to allow acid-stomach to wreck your health—pile up misery upon misery until you get to the point where you feel down and out and that life has lost all its joys. Remember, just as acid-mouth ruins teeth, so acid-stomach ruins health.

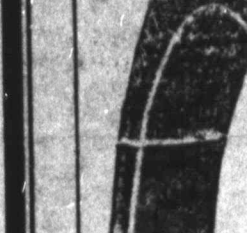
Take EATONIC. It's good, just like a bit of candy and makes the stomach feel fine. You can then eat the things you like and, what is more, every mouthful you eat will count in creating power and energy. You'll feel so much better—have punch and pep—the power and will to do things and get results, and your stomach misery will be gone.

Take our advice. Get a big box of EATONIC from your druggist today, it costs so little. If it fails to remove your stomach distress, he will refund your money. That is guaranteed, you are to be satisfied or money refunded.

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FEEDING THE HUNS

(By H. H. Windsor, in the January Popular Mechanics Magazine.)

If would be unchristian, though a just retribution, if the allies could be given the feeding of the Huns for a time, with food of the same nourishing value, and served in the same way as the Huns fed the prisoners of the allies. These same prisoners would know how to serve—those who were tied to stakes without food or water for two or three days at a time, with food in plain sight but just beyond reach. There are many yet alive who have witnessed this refined cruelty of the middle ages, and some who even survived the torture. These would know how Huns should be fed.

And those others who had choice of putrid fish or nothing; and those in whose bowl of thin soup the Hun women spat as they handed it over to French and Belgian and English "dogs." These victims, too, know how Huns fed others.

The starved millions in Belgium, and Poland, and Armenia, whose Red Cross supplies were intercepted and used by Huns; these skeletons would gladly rise from their unmarked graves and help feed the Huns. And innocent children who trustingly smiled as they ate the poisoned sweets, they could tell in hisping words what should flavor the food for Huns. And those who died in torture from drinking at poisoned wells, these also would serve as cup bearers while Huns are fed.

Almost the first utterance from surrendered Germany was a demand on the allies for food, and as this demand was flashing across the ocean, Hun armies, in anything but a famished condition,

were marching home. At the same time reluctant prison doors in Germany opened, and through these doors came, by thousands, such wrecks of manhood as the world has seldom seen—walking skeletons who could barely walk, thrust out in rags and shoesless, to make their way, as best they could and if they could, to the allied line. Many never reached that long prayed-for haven, but exhausted with cold and hunger died by the wayside. And it is the people responsible for such fiendish wickedness that reach out their hands and demand the allies feed them!

The wicked prosper—for a time. With our narrow span of life we grow impatient because justice delayed seems to us as justice forgotten; but in days to come, retribution is inevitable, and children's children will pay the penalty for the sins of their fathers.

The Huns will be fed; and they will eat the husks of bitter punishment; as they have sowed so shall they reap, and the harvest will be one of sorrow, all in due time.

THE EX-KAISER

William Hohenzollern, the former German Kaiser, isolated from the world in the castle of Amerongen, Holland, is writing a long and detailed statement which, it is understood, will contain his answer to the world's frightful indictment against him at the trial which, as he evidently realizes, is inevitable. While thus incarcerated (for by whatever name the place may be called, it is really a prison) he is said to be turning to religion for consolation—attending daily prayers and keeping the Bible and other religious books constantly near him.

The Christmas Doll



There once was a doll on a Christmas tree,
Who sighed to the angel that hung above,
"Oh, how I do wish they would keep for me
A sweet little, neat little girl to love;
"A dear little mother to curl my locks,
To rock me to sleep, and to wake me up,
To dress me in cute little gowns and frocks,
And feed me with milk from her silver cup;
"A kind little mother, who'd never say
A word that was angry, nor let me fall,
Who'd always be ready to let me play
With bright little friends who should come to call!"
And, strange though the wonderful fact may be,
That little wax doll's little wish came true;
They picked her right off the Christmas tree,
And gave her, my dear little girl, to you!
—Arthur Guerman in the Youth's Companion.

How she will smile when she gets that nice box of King's candy for Christmas. Portales Drug Store, the Home of King's Candies.

Roy Keeter returned Monday from State College at which place he has been in training for the past four or five months.

"Them Old Cheery Words"

James Whitcomb Riley

PAP he allus ust to say,
"Chris'mus comes but onc't a year!"

Liked to hear him that-a-way,
In his old split-bottomed cheer

By the fireplace here at night—
Wood all in—and room all bright,
Warm and snug and folks all here;
"Chris'mus comes but onc't a year!"

Me and 'Lize and Warr'n and Jess,
And Eldory home fer two

Weeks' vacation; and, I guess,
Old folks tickled through and through,

Same as WE was—"Home onc't more
Fer another Chris'mus—shore!"
Pap 'ud' say, and tilt his cheer—
"Chris'mus comes but onc't a year!"

Mostly Pap was ap' to be
Ser'ous in his "daily walk,"
As he called it; gen'ly
Was no hand to joke er talk.
Fac' is, Pap had never be'n
Rugged-like at all—and then
Three years in the army had
Hepped to break him pretty bad.

Never FLINCHED! But frost
and snow
Hurt his wovnd in winter.
But

You bet MOTHER knowed it,
though!—
Watched his feet, and made
him putt

On his flannels; and his knee,
Where it never healed up, he
Claimed was "well now—mighty
near!"

"Chris'mus comes but onc't a
year!"

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year!"

Pap 'ud' say and snap his
eyes.
Row o' apples sputerin' here
Round the hearth, and me and
'Lize

Crackin' hicker'-nuts; and
Warr'n
And Eldory parchin' corn;
And whole raft o' young folks
here.

"Chris'mus comes but onc't a
year!"

Mother tuk most comfort in
Jest a-heppin' Pap: She'd fill
His pipe fer him, er his tin
O' hard cider; er set still
And read fer him out the pile
O' newspapers putt on file
Whilse he was with Sherman—
(She
Knowed the whole war-history!)

Sometimes he'd git het up some.

"Boys," he'd say, "and you
girls, too,
Chris'mus is about to come;
So, as you've a right to do,
CELEBRATE it! Lots has died,
Same as Him they crucified,
That you might be happy here.
Chris'mus comes but onc't a
year!"

Missed his voice last Chris-
mus—missed
Them old cheery words, you
know.

Mother helt up tel she kissed
All of us—then had to go
And break down! And I laughs:
"Here!

Chris'mus comes but onc't a
year!"

"Them's his very words," sobbed
she,
"When he asked to marry me."

"Chris'mus comes but onc't a
year!"—
"Chris'mus comes but onc't a
year."

Over, over, still I hear,
"Chris'mus comes but onc't a
year!"

Yit, like him, I'm goin' to smile
And keep cheerful all the while:
ALLUS Chris'mus THERE—
And here

"Chris'mus comes but onc't a
year!"



GLORY FOR EVERY STATE

The annals of the civil war recount the deeds of the state regiments. Men of this state made a brilliant and historic charge, those of another held at a vital point, those of still another state captured a strongly held position or stayed an enemy rush.

Before the war began in Europe the civil war had become so much history that a northern man could thrill at the recital of the marches and battles of the men under "Stonewall" Jackson, could admire the genius of Lee and the heroism of the men he commanded could be proud of the splendid dash and tremendous resistance of the south.

But in the war just ended, no state is missing from the great roll that begins with Alabama and ends with Wyoming. The stars of all the states were agleam on every battlefield where Old Glory was unfurled.

Men of Massachusetts, shoulder to shoulder with the men of South Carolina, drove the Huns. Sons of the land of cotton, sons of puritan New England, sons of the cow country and the corn land marched and fought together.

The casualty lists are a sorrow and a glory. Those dead on the field of honor, those wounded in a great cause, come from cities, towns, countrysides in forty-eight great commonwealths, every one American, every one patriotic, every one of the sisterhood of this republic.

Our soldiers! They are Green Mountain boys and cowpunchers from New Mexico, miners from Pennsylvania, planters from South Carolina, wheat growers from the Dakotas, ranchers from Texas and lumberjacks from Oregon, and so on through the lists of every profession and industry of the whole land, from Maine to California and from Washington state to Florida.

The war has done more than would have been possible in many years of peace to take us a nation as the president has observed. The army, with its millions of our youth, the flower of the land, typifies the nation, and when that army dissolves into citizens again, it will direct the nation's future.

To have fought in this war will bring honors in the future, as well as now. The next generation will show preference for few men who did not serve when the great call came.—Albuquerque Morning Journal.

Romulus W. Jones, formerly a resident of the Bethel neighborhood, is now publisher of the Silverton Star at Silverton, Briscoe county, Texas.

Lee Carter writes Fire Insurance in Best Companies. 41tf

TENNESSEAN LAYS CRUTCHES ASIDE

Troubles of Eight Years Standing Have Entirely Disappeared Since He Took Tanlac He Declares.

"Before taking Tanlac I was one of the sickest men you ever saw, and today I feel as well and strong as I ever felt in my life," said Frank Jinks, living on Route 13, Martin's Mill Pike, South Knoxville, Tennessee.

"For the past eight years" he continued, "I suffered from kidney trouble and my back hurt like it would kill me. I would have such awful spells that I would have to quit work for as long as three weeks at a time. I had rheumatism too, so bad that I couldn't walk without crutches, and my feet were swollen so I couldn't put on my shoes. I suffered agonies all the time and nothing I took done me the least bit of good.

"Two weeks after I started taking Tanlac I was so much better that I laid my crutches aside and I can now walk as good as anybody. The pain in my back is gone, I have been relieved of rheumatism and feel absolutely well in every respect. I sleep like a child, my appetite is fine and everything agrees with me. I have gained ten pounds, my strength has returned and I am now back at work again and in the best of health."

Tanlac is sold in Portales by Ed J. Neer. adv.

VALUE OF VITAL STATISTICS

The value of vital statistics in New Mexico is a farce. Soon after the United States entered the war a man giving his name as John Roscoe Haines, and writing from the Brooklyn Navy Yards, solicited the aid of the New Mexico Public Health Association in securing him a birth certificate. He stated that he was born in Albuquerque and gave the date, coupling it incidentally with the information that he couldn't enter the branch of the service he was aiming at unless he could secure the desired copy of the official record.

The Bernalillo County Court House records were searched in vain. No record of the young man's birth had been made. Far from being eligible for admission to the particular department of the navy in which he desired to serve, he couldn't even prove his American citizenship should it ever be challenged. There are thousands of other New Mexicans in the same fix.

Recently during a survey of health conditions and organizations in New Mexico, carried out by Surgeon John W. Kerr of the United States Public Health Service, the methods of registering vital statistics were given special

attention. It was found that not a single county or town visited was making adequate records of births and deaths, while no morbidity records whatsoever were being kept.

In war times the number and disposition of the enemy's forces, their armies and supplies, and their plans of attack are ascertained by means of scouts and spies. In public health work this knowledge is gained by the information of mortality and morbidity reports and statistics. Research as to the occurrence, prevalence and dissemination of disease, give the information as necessary in the fight against disease among the civilian population as the information gleaned by the intelligence department of the army. In order to exclude communicable disease from the state and to combat those within it, registration is needed.

New Mexico is careful as to the recording of titles to land and other documents. Pedigreed cattle have their births and deaths faithfully recorded. Are human beings less important?

J. B. Petersop, the county agent went to Roswell Tuesday to load a car with their household goods; he has rented a house from Ed J. Neer.

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—BY— FRANCIS A. MARCH

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RED CROSS ROLL CALL FOR CHRISTMAS WEEK

American Public Asked to Respond With Universal Membership.

Is your name written there? Where? On the Red Cross Christmas Roll Call, of course. Beginning with Red Cross Sunday, December 15, the entire American nation will be given the opportunity during the week of December 16 to 23 to line up for all those errands of mercy that the bright Red Cross against the white background has come to symbolize. This is in no sense a call for funds. It is the annual call for service. Every member of every household, from the grandfather to the nursery, should be represented on the Red Cross Service Flag. Only dollar memberships are being asked for, and these are for the calendar year of 1919. Everywhere throughout the fourteen Red Cross divisions the week will be celebrated as a dedication to personal service and self sacrifice. No matter what may be the immediate task ahead, there are bound to be increasing demands made on the Red Cross during the coming year, and every American, whether here or in foreign parts, has his part to play. Through the Divisions every Chapter, and through the Chapter every Branch and Auxiliary will spread the Red Cross Message and endeavor to enroll every person in every community. Already the membership in this national organization has grown from some few hundred thousand in 1916 to more than twenty millions since our own country entered the world war. There are no limits set for the 1919 Christmas enrollment. Every American everywhere is the hoped for goal. Programs subject to local conditions will be arranged for the week, based on suggestions worked out by national campaign managers at Headquarters. On Roll Call Sunday the Red Cross message will be preached from every pulpit, and all church meetings will arrange special programs of Red Cross activities. With the co-operation of local artists, every community will be decorated with Red Cross posters. Posters will be used on all packages sent out from the stores during Roll Call week, and the movies will show films picturing the various Red Cross agencies at home and abroad. "For All Humanity" shows scenes taken on the actual battlefield. There will also be Women's day, club programs on the Red Cross, special exercises in the Red

Cross workrooms. Employees day (when special tribute will be paid to the contribution made by the laboring man), the week ending with a general "Clean-up" day, when every person in the community not yet enrolled will again be personally solicited for membership. It is believed that some time during the week at least one performance of the masque, "The Roll Call," especially written by Mr. Percy Mackaye, with stage settings designed by Robert Edmond Jones, will be given in every community. This has but twelve speaking parts and is arranged especially for community presentation, with men, women and children in the pantomime parts. It can be given either elaborately or very simply, as conditions warrant. In its dramatic theme it expresses the emancipation of the human spirit from tyranny through the humanizing agency of the American Red Cross. Copies of the masque, as well as directions for costuming and incidental music, can be secured at Red Cross Headquarters in every town and city. One of the most novel and interesting features of the campaign promises to be the One-day and One-hour plan of enrollment. This consists of dividing the community into units of one hundred houses, the idea being to have sufficient workers to canvass these homes practically simultaneously, a sort of "home stretch," distributing the work among many with a minimum of time consumed by each. The official uniform worn by Roll Call workers will be a cap and arm brassard. These are to be made of red flannel and a small paper circle in white will carry the Red Cross emblem. This uniform will serve both as protection against the unscrupulous and as an aid to the workers themselves. Corporations, business firms and industries will be supplied with a 100% Service flag. There will be no Christmas sale of tuberculosis seals this year. Instead, the Red Cross has made a direct appropriation of \$2,500,000 for this work, and ten seals will be awarded each person who joins the Roll Call as a reminder of the very important work being done by the National Tuberculosis Association. Wars may come and wars may go, but the Red Cross goes on forever. Will you not be among the first to place your name on the 1919 membership roll?

NO FIXED QUOTAS FOR 1919.

So great is the faith of the American Red Cross in the American people that no quotas have been assigned to Red Cross Chapters for the enrollment of members in the Red Cross Christmas Roll Call. Universal membership is the goal. Chapters are limited only by the number of people in their jurisdictions. The Roll Call will be finished only when every available person, without regard to age or sex, has been enrolled. Children may join only through the Junior Red Cross Auxiliaries, and their membership dues are twenty-five cents a year. The chief aim in enrolling is not to raise money but to increase the membership. Special emphasis is laid upon the regular membership at \$1.00 per year, but privilege will be given to enroll as a Contributing Member at \$5.00, Sustaining Member at \$10.00, Life Member at \$50.00 or Patron at \$100.00.

THE CLIMAX TO VICTORY.

During the week before Christmas the entire American people will have the privilege of answering the Red Cross Christmas Roll Call. The response should roar through the land with a unanimity that will stimulate to the uttermost the hopes of men in all parts of the earth. It will therefore be the climax of American idealism and will usher in Christmas with a Red Cross membership approximating the census figures. What the Red Cross wants is the approval of the American people of the Red Cross policy, and such approval will have the highest significance in the eyes of suffering people everywhere. President Wilson lends the response and passes along the message, "I summon you to the comradeship."

RED CROSS SCHOOL FOR BOYS.

The American Red Cross has established a manual training school for Belgian boys at Vaulruz, Switzerland.

PEACE MAKES GREATER NEED

Peace will not end the need of Red Cross relief work. On the contrary, the proclaiming of peace opens new fields of service for the Red Cross, and now, more than ever, the American people will be called upon to obey their generous impulses to help the world's wounds. Membership in the Red Cross affords the noblest outlet for such impulses. Every American should answer "Here" to the Red Cross Christmas Roll Call.

WHAT BOYS SAY ABOUT RED CROSS

Since the soldiers overseas have been informed by their officers that the American Red Cross will play Santa Claus this Christmas for all the boys in khaki who have no relatives in the United States, Red Cross Headquarters at Washington has been receiving hundreds of appeals. Incidentally the men at the front have taken this time to express their appreciation for the work done by the Red Cross "Over There." Following are a few excerpts taken at random from letters inclosing Christmas Package Coupons: "Dear Mr. Miss or Mrs. Red Cross—I would appreciate it tremendously if you would send me a Xmas package. I have no relatives, and a little something from the good old U. S. A. would be appreciated beyond words. The Red Cross has done so much for us over here, and you don't know just how we appreciate it beyond everything else." "An Italian thus addresses his Christmas appeal: "To Whom It May Concern.—I am in service in France and, having no people in the United States, would like to receive a little package from the Red Cross on Xmas. I am in No Man's Land in a big woods, and it is raining." "I have been informed the Red Cross will send Xmas packages to any soldier who sends them his Xmas package coupon. I have received so much tobacco and other things from the Red Cross in my fourteen months in France I scarcely like to write again. I am in the hospital recovering from wounds, and the Red Cross furnishes us with daily papers, writing material, tobacco, fruits and recreation." "I have no one else to send my Xmas coupon to, so am sending it to you, as per notice on our bulletin board. If you send a package I would appreciate it if you would include a bill for same, for I would gladly pay it. I don't want to impose on you. The Red Cross is the best friend we have." One Red Cross nurse writes: "Am inclosing the coupon, but please be sure all the boys at the front get their packages first, then if one is left I will appreciate it, as I suspect all the others will have something from home which will make me a little lonesome. Words cannot express our appreciation for the Red Cross." "The Red Cross is a great help and blessing to the soldiers any and everywhere." "We of the A. E. F. are constantly being shown evidences of the wonderful work the Red Cross is doing and are extremely thankful." "Dear Red Cross Workers.—After we left dear old America we thought we were traveling away from your kindness, but we did not. We cannot praise you too highly for your work. I have no folks at home to send me a Christmas package. "Words cannot express the obligation we are under for the work you are doing to help us along." "I know they would greatly appreciate any little remembrance. I wish to most sincerely thank the Red Cross for all the kindnesses and benefits they have bestowed upon our boys."

HOLIDAY ...GROCERY SPECIALS...

For this week and up to and including Christmas Eve, we will make the following prices:

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WHAT COUNTRY MUST DO FOR ITS DISABLED SOLDIERS

Problems of Reconstruction Confront American Red Cross With New Tasks and New Responsibilities.

During these Christmases, when men in the trenches and on mined seas sing carols; when our country glows to its uttermost boundaries with the symbol of the Red Cross; when the most earthbound look for awhile at the crosses and the stars—new understandings, new simplicities, new willingness for service come to very many men and women. And as our soldiers and sailors who went out young and strong and singing the "Long, Long Trail" and "Over There" now come back crippled and disabled, Americans are seeing more and more their own part and responsibility in reconstruction. This work means teaching the blind to see, giving movement to the paralyzed, power to the remnants of arms and legs to do full duty, the chance of health to the tubercular, light to minds befogged by shell shock. Our government, the Medical Department of the Army and the American Red Cross, from the time of our entrance in the war, have been working out the tasks preparatory to this reconstruction, which is the key-word to their usefulness and happiness. The work itself is already begun in the hospitals where our returned men have been brought. This has meant the equipment of hospitals, the recruiting of the doctors and nurses and the formulation of plans for training for vocations, which means inactivity, replacing activity for inactivity. For this physical reconstruction in our military hospitals at home, our government, through the office of the Surgeon-General, is asking for reconstruction aids. This hospital service is open to hundreds, indeed thousands, of women who as wives of men in the service have been technically barred from other military hospital service. They are needed at once and may learn full particulars regarding training, qualifications, pay and so forth by writing for information to the office of the Surgeon-General, Division of Reconstruction, Washington, D. C. They are civilian employees of the Medical Department of the Army, and their work comes under one of two classes—either the distinctly physical reconstruction which has to do with massage, electrotherapy, dydotherapy and mechanotherapy, or the occupational work which will prepare the men to take up the regular vocational training for which we often hear the word "re-education." The Federal government has charge of this work. Other agencies working under government control will help. The American Red Cross, especially, will supplement it, and through its Home Service has assumed the obligation to assist every soldier or sailor and his family whenever they need aid or counsel from it.

When American soldiers, blinded in battle, recover from their immediate wounds at the base hospitals in France special work for them is commenced. Later they are brought to the United States Military General Hospital No. 7, at Baltimore, for further medical and surgical treatment and special teaching. The ideal of the government will be to place every blinded man in a condition to take care of himself and those dependent on him. In many cases, it is hoped, the men will be able to command a larger salary after taking their training than before they lost their sight. American Red Cross has supplemented the Army's plan by creating the Red Cross Institute for the Blind. One of its functions will be to provide certain financial aid to equip the blind man after his re-education is completed, as, for instance, furnishing typewriters to those who enter commercial life. It will be unearthing new occupations, helping to establish homes and arrange home work for those who cannot go into offices or factories. But it will do something else that is,

again, a Christmas story. This Red Cross Institute will, in so far as is humanly possible, have the relative who will be responsible for the care of the blind man when he returns home, take the government training, side by side with him, as is now done by the British and French. With this full understanding at home of his difficulties and possibilities, many an ambition at first undreamed of may be fulfilled. Through the gift of Jeremiah Milbank of New York the Red Cross was enabled to establish in New York its experimental Red Cross Institute for Crippled and Disabled Men. One of its principal objects is to assist in the general campaign of public education regarding the results which can be accomplished by systematically re-training disabled men for occupations in which they can successfully compete with able-bodied men. "Thus equipped," writes W. Frank Persons, Director General of Civilian Relief of the American Red Cross, "they may confidently look forward to a future of normal human work and play."

THE RED CROSS MAN. By Jeanne Judson. The Red Cross man was here today. He seems to know some magic way of being everywhere: In Paris when a chap is broke, He passes out a Yankee smoke, And at the front, he's there. He gives us something hot to drink, He seems to want to make us think We're happy and at ease; He keeps as busy as can be, Just working for my mates and me. His method sure does please. And though he doesn't tote a gun, We know he's with us everyone, Till duty sets us free; His wheeled canteen is far more fair Than any lobster palace rare, We drink his health in tea.

CARING FOR THOSE WHO ARE LEFT BEHIND

Because of her continued absence from school and the fact that she lived in rather an undesirable neighborhood and was on the streets all day a school teacher recently brought to the attention of the Home Service department of the Red Cross the story of a girl of ten years whose mother was ill and whose only other relatives were two brothers, one in camp and the other a youth of seventeen whose earnings seemed to be the only means of support for the family. The Home Service worker called, found the mother very ill and needing hospital care at once. Arrangements were made for the mother's care and also for a home for the girl in the country where she would receive real home training and love. The mother grew worse and died soon afterwards. The seventeen-year old boy enlisted. The boy in camp had not known that his mother needed his help, but was glad to contribute from his pay when the true circumstances were ascertained. The girl is now in the country, going to school, and is receiving attentions from both of her brothers and is well cared for. She is under the watchful care of the Home Service workers and comes to them often for counsel. A portable kitchen, installed by the American Red Cross on the exact spot where Joan of Arc was captured, provided tea, coffee and other refreshments to 10,000 soldiers and civilians daily.

RED CROSS RELIEF IN THE FAR EAST

Bring Food and Supplies to Czecho-Slovaks in Siberia.

THE American Red Cross has become very active in that part of Russia surrounding Vladivostok, and the prompt medical assistance rendered that distressed country has resulted in saving thousands of lives. The rescue work done by the Red Cross for the Czecho-Slovak refugees has assumed prodigious proportions and is daily becoming greater in scope. Cabled advices received from Vladivostok report that more than 20,000 Czecho-Slovak refugees, 4,000 of them children, are now being cared for by the American Red Cross at that city. In addition to this relief work, the cables state that the Red Cross Medical organization is attending hundreds of wounded Czecho-Slovak soldiers who have reached Vladivostok after weeks of the most desperate fighting against the pro-German forces. The condition of the refugees, who were found living in tents and freight cars along the Chinese Eastern Railway west of Harbin, was pitiable. A majority of them are farmers, though there are many coal miners and railway employees in the number, people who were driven from their homes by the Bolsheviks, and some German and Austrian war prisoners. The work of administering to the wounded Czecho-Slovak fighters, who steadfastly refused to recognize the Bolshevik-German peace, and relieving the distress of the homeless civilians was started the moment their plight was brought to the attention of the American Red Cross. The relief work was directed by Charles K. Mosser, American consul and head of the Red Cross chapter at Harbin. American Red Cross chapters at Tokyo and Shanghai also gave valuable aid. While waiting for instructions from America, they went ahead and raised funds in Vladivostok which provided temporary relief for both soldiers and civilians. On authorization of the American Red Cross, Dr. R. B. Teusler, head of



Entrance to American Red Cross Hospital at Kiev.

St. Luke's Hospital at Tokyo, hurried to Vladivostok with necessary hospital supplies and perfected a medical organization to care for the incoming wounded soldiers.

This organization, which was complete from a medical and sanitary standpoint, consisted of a base hospital with a bed capacity for 200, one rolling canteen, two sanitary trains, one field first-aid unit and a disinfecting train. Dr. Teusler cabled that there were in active service with his unit fourteen American and seven Japanese doctors and fifteen American and seventeen Japanese nurses. All the American doctors are volunteering their services. Dr. Teusler said he hoped to enlist thirty additional American doctors and fifty American nurses in the Orient.

MOBILE HOSPITALS AT FRONT.

It is the task of a mobile hospital to advance to the front lines with the troops to give first aid treatment to the wounded. The mobile hospital unit from base hospital No. 20, University of Pennsylvania, were commended by General Pershing for the courage they displayed under shell fire. Two Red Cross nurses were included in this special distinction for their bravery and devotion to duty.



A CHILD DOESN'T LAUGH AND PLAY IF CONSTIPATED

LOOK, MOTHER! IS TONGUE COATED, BREATH FEVERISH AND STOMACH SOUR?

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Not Many. Who remembers the old days when kids were satisfied with a penny?

No, Edna, Solomon when arrayed in all his glory didn't have a pair of plain silk stockings on his feet.

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CHRISTMAS POETRY

THE festivals of a country seem to reflect the heart of a people. Christmas among Italian peasants has quite a different quality from the Christmas of the land of the former kaiser...

"As Joseph was a-waukin', He heard an angel sing. This night shall be the birth night Of Christ, our heavenly king."

down through a sort of procession of Christmas ideals in successive centuries to our own time, when

"Hark, the herald angels sing" seems to embody Christmas joy in English-speaking lands the world over.

Christmas in America has to adjust itself to a different environment from the old world setting. The heroic struggles of our pioneer ancestors tuned the lyre of one of our ballad writers to tell of "The First Christmas in New England."

"They thought they had come to their port that day. But not yet was their journey done; And they drifted away from Provincetown Bay."

In the freeness light of the sun, With rain and sleet were the tall masts lead And gloomy and chill was the air; For they looked from the crystal walls to Christ, And they came to a harbor fair.

Then the voyagers remembered the bells of old England which were ringing for Christmas worship and they forbore to devote the day to labor.

"Shall our axes swing on this day of days When the Lord of life was born?"

The tragedy of the Civil war trailed its shadow over Longfellow's Christmas verse and even his courageous spirit faltered:

"I heard the bells on Christmas day Their old familiar carols play, And wild and sweet The words repeat Of peace on earth, good will to men!"

And thought how, as the day had come, The belfries of all Christendom Had rolled along, The unbroken song Of peace on earth, good will to men!"

Then echoes of the accursed cannon thundering far away in the southland

seemed to drown the music of the bells. "It was as if an earthquake rent The hearthstones of a continent."

And in despair I loved my head "There is no peace on earth," I said, "For hate is strong And mocks the song Of peace on earth, good will to men!"

Then pealed the bells more loud and deep; "God is not dead, nor doth he sleep! The wrong shall fall, The right prevail With peace on earth, good will to men!"

Snow and Christmas winds seem to be so closely mingled with Christmas in the minds of English-speaking people that many of us are scarcely aware that new traditions of Christmas climate are being built up in parts of our wide country.

"Can this be Christmas—sweet as May, With drowsy sun and dreamy air, The new grass pointing out the way For flowers to follow, everywhere?"

Has time grown sleepy at his post, And let the exiled summer back, Or is her regretful ghost Or witchcraft of the almanac?

I am his creature, and his air I breathe, where'er my feet may stand; The angels' song rings everywhere, And all the earth is Holy Land."

Besides the religious spirit of Christmas poetry, a great deal of verse has been written in honor of St. Nicholas, Kris Kringle or Santa Claus, as he is called, and the children. Perhaps one of the best known of these poems is "The Night Before Christmas" by Dr. Clement C. Moore, which begins:

"Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house, Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse; The stockings were hung by the chimney with care, In hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there;

The children were nestled all snug in their beds, While visions of sugar plums danced in their heads; And Santa Claus, with his little old wife, Was making his list, good and bad."

Another favorite with the children is "Christmas Day," by Ruth Raymond.

"Now, chile, go hang yo' stockin's high Dyar by de chimney place, 'Fo' Santa Claus goes ridin' by 'Tid him ole jolly face, Dats alius smilin' 'cause dey say, He lubs de chillun so, An' brings dem gif's each Christmas day Across de miles of snow."

"T's mended dem from top to toe, Dey'l hole de 'tings yo' need, One I'lle garden rake and hoe, De book yo' longs to read, Wit' ole drum for yo' to play; Dats Santa Claus boum' know De 'tings yo' prayed fo' ebery day And make yo' happy so."

"Hang up you' stockin's den an' rest

He' in yo' little bed Jes lak de birdies in de nest De mammy bird hab fed, Till jingle, jingle in de morn, When all de bells will say: "De Holy Child ob Gaud am bawn, An' dis am Christmas day."

James Whitcomb Riley, in his Rhymes of Childhood, says: "After a thoughtful, almost painful pause, Bub sighed, 'I'm sorry fer old Santa Claus. They wus no Sanky Claus, ner couldn't be. When he wus lat a little boy like me.'"

His "Who Sanky Claus Wuz" is well known: "Jes' a little bit o' feller; I remember 'till I almost cry for Christmas, like a youngster will. Fourth o' July's nothing to it! New Year's ain't a smel! Easter Sunday—circus day—jes' all dead in de shell. Lawdy, though! at night, you know, to set around and hear The old folks work de story ob about de sledge and deer. An' 'Banty' skeetin' round de roof, all wrapt in fur and fuss. Long afore I knowed who "Sanky Claus" wuz."

In his more serious strain he says: "They's a kind o' feel in de air to me, When de Christmas times sets in, That's about as much of a mystery As ever I've run ag'in! For instance, now, whiles I gain in weight And general health I swear They's a goodness somers, I can't quite state— A kind o' feel in de air, Is it de racket de children raise? 'W'y, no!—God bles 'em!—no!— Is it de eyes and cheeks abaze Like my own wuz, long ago? Is it de heat o' de whistle and beat O' de little toy drum and blare O' de horn? No! no! It is jest de sweet, The sad, sweet feel in de air."

Paul Laurence Dunbar, in his characteristic dialect, says of Christmas: "Step wid de banjo an' glide wid de fiddle, Dis ain' no time fo' to pottah an' piddie; Fu' Christmas is comin', its right on de way. An' dey's houghs to dance fo' de break o' de day. What if de win' is talkin' an' whistlin'? Look at dat fish how hits spittin' an' bristlin'! Heat in de ashes an' heat in de cinders, O' Mistah Froo' kin look thoo de windin'."

To return to the real spirit of Christmas, as it commemorates the birth of Christ, Margaret E. Sangster says: "We love to think of Bethlehem, That little mountain town, To which on earth's first Christmas day Our blessed Lord came down; A lowly manger for his bed, The cattle near in stall, There cradled close in Mary's arms, He slept, the Lord of all."

Now breaks the latest Christmas morn! Again the angels sing, And far and near the children throng The happy hymns to bring. All heaven is stirred! All earth is glad! For down the shining way The Lord who came to Bethlehem Comes yet on Christmas day."

Belgian soldier, our beloved friend and brother, we, your American friends, greet you this Christmas day, 1918. How bravely you have endured and how courageously you have fought during four years of indescribable hardship! But be of good cheer. Your day of deliverance is drawing near. Listen to the angels' song, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." Jesus Christ was born for you, dear friend, and if today you will open to him the door of your heart, he will enter in and impart to you eternal life."

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Mr. and Mrs. Ralph C. Norton, who last year distributed 25,000 Christmas boxes to the Belgian soldiers, with the co-operation of the Belgian government, have perfected plans for extending the Christmas cheer this year to every soldier in the Belgian army of 120,000. The gift will consist of chocolate, toilet soap and candles, furnished at a total cost of \$40,000. A Christmas greeting card will be inclosed, bearing the following inscription, printed in Flemish on one side and French on the other:

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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

(By REV. F. E. FITZWATER, D. D., Teacher of English Bible in the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago.)

LESSON FOR DECEMBER 22 THE BIRTH OF JESUS.

GOLDEN TEXT—For unto you is born this day in the city of David a savior who is Christ the Lord.—Luke 2:11.

Note: Since the lesson committee has suggested the birth of Jesus, a Christmas lesson, as an alternative for this day, doubtless for most classes it will be desirable to use the Christmas lesson and substitute the alternative lesson for the review on December 29.

The birth of the Saviour occurred at a most propitious time. The need was great, for the systems of morals and religion were tottering upon their foundations. It was also a time of great opportunity, for the whole world was under one rule, making it possible for evangelists to go from city to city and country to country without fear or molestation. The place of his birth was Bethlehem, as the prophet had foretold some seven hundred years before (Micah 5:2). God permitted the emperor to enforce a decree of taxation just at the time to cause Mary to be at Bethlehem when she gave birth to the Saviour. That which the Word of God has announced shall most surely come to pass, though its fulfillment seem most unlikely and unreasonable. The surroundings of his birth were the most humble sort. The Almighty Creator condescended to take upon himself humanity—to be born in a manger, becoming the poorest of the poor that none might be hindered from coming to him.

1. The Saviour's Birth Announced (2:8-14).

To Whom—Shepherds (v. 8). In the first Christmas service the audience was composed of humble shepherds. The glorious gospel message was first sounded forth to these humble men while watching over their flocks by night. Poverty is no barrier to the reception of the gospel message. God does not reveal himself mainly to the princes and great men of the earth. "Hath not God chosen the poor of this world, rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom?" (James 2:5). Neither did their devotion to their calling exclude them from this greatest favor of God. Moses, Gideon, Amos and Elijah were called by the Lord from the busy activities of life. He never calls the idle. The Lord has no use for a lazy man. The working man is God's peculiar interest.

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3. The Message—Good Tidings (v. 10). (1) A Saviour is born. Surely this was a glad message. Heathen darkness which had so long cursed the earth was beginning to vanish. The casting out of Satan, the prince of the world, was about to take place (John 12:31). Liberty was about to be proclaimed to those in bondage to sin. The way of salvation was about to be opened to all. So glorious was this news that a multitude of the heavenly host accompanied this announcement with their song of praise. It is through Jesus Christ that God's kindness and good will are made known to man. (2) Peace (v. 14). Peace with God—peace of heart—peace with man. How incongruous this message with our time! The world war was the result of not receiving this blessed message. (3) Joy (v. 10). The gospel message is a joyful message because it frees from sin and removes all the burdens of this world.

4. The Shepherds Make Investigation (2:15, 16). Though these things seemed passing strange to them they did not stop to question or argue; they went straight to Bethlehem and found everything just as the angels had said. They had the glorious privilege of gazing upon the world's Saviour—the very Lord of glory.

5. The Shepherds Witnessing (2:17). When they saw the Lord they could not remain silent. They were impelled to make known abroad the good news. Those who have heard the good news of salvation through Christ and have verified it by personal investigation must tell it to others. The angels said that the good tidings of great joy should be to all people (v. 10). The gospel of Christ is for all people regardless of nationality or condition. It is just as really good news to the king as to the peasant. It fills the hearts of all with joy.

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To Some Extent. "Mrs. Gaddy claims that she made her husband." "So she did; she made a fool of him."

Like Producing Lies. "It was a great send-off they gave Jimmy, wasn't it?" "Yes, and there'll be a comeback, too."

Soothe Itching Skins. With Cuticura. Bathe with Cuticura Soap and hot water, dry and apply the Ointment. This usually affords relief and points to speedy healing.

Had Example Before Him. Lop-Eared Youth Could Not Doubt That Some People Could Speak Fast Without Stuttering.

A venerable citizen of the Straddle Ridge neighborhood entered a luncheon in Polkville, dragging after him a gander-necked, lop-eared youth.

"What kind o' pie have ya got yer?" he asked of the briske waitress.

"Peach, apple, mince, raisin, punka, spercot, mince, raisin and cokernut custard!" she answered with considerable rapidity.

"Ptu—which?" returned the old fellow with still greater speed.

"Please say that over ag'in, if you'd jest as liv'," requested the ancient man.

"Say, looker here!" demanded the waitress. "Can't you understand any thing?"

"Oh, yes'm; I understand all right!" He turned to the lop-eared youth "There now, Emmett!" he triumphantly said. "You see, it's jest as I told you; a person kin talk as fast as he pleases without stuttern'. If he'll only take keer!"—Judge.

A Good Match. "When I get a car, I want one which will suit me." "Then, my dear, you had better get a runabout."

Otherwise Peaceful. "Was it a military dinner?" "Just a suggestion of the military. We shelled the nuts."

Gold Nourishment The real food elements of wheat and barley so made as to be rich in sugar, and ready to eat from package with milk or cream. That is Grape-Nuts A Substantial Food and Economical!

DRESSING CHRISTMAS DOLLS

"Be Sure the Clothes Come On and Off," is Advice of Woman Who Has Had Much Experience.

"Be sure the clothes come on and off." This is the injunction that one woman has to make every year when she gets to work at her usual Christmas task of getting 50 dolls dressed for 50 little orphans who live in an institution in which she is interested.

The reason for this is the fact that these 50 little girls are like all other little girls in liking dolls that can be dressed and undressed, and the first thing they do on receiving their Christmas doll is to see how readily it may be dressed and put to bed and then dressed again.

In dressing dolls it is possible to buy paper patterns for doll clothes. One set, sold by a leading pattern concern, contains a cape with a hood, a jumper dress and gumps, a bathrobe and a petticoat and drawers—all for ten cents. The only trouble with this sort of pattern is that it doesn't always fit the doll you choose; in fact, it is by the merest accident that the paper pattern would fit the doll. Although the

pattern is cut in various sizes for dolls ranging from 14 to 30 inches in length, the proportions of your doll may be quite different from the doll used in cutting the original pattern. If the clothes do not fit it is not a very difficult matter to make alterations in the patterns.

You never need to allow any outlay for materials for dolls' clothes, for there are always enough pieces in your work box, or a friend's work box, to make all sorts of dainty garments. There are sure to be odds and ends of lace and insertion to use on the little underwear and pieces of ribbon with which the dresses can be trimmed.

FOR SOLDIERS OF BELGIUM Americans to Bring Christmas Cheer to Every Man in Valiant Army.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph C. Norton, who last year distributed 25,000 Christmas boxes to the Belgian soldiers, with the co-operation of the Belgian government, have perfected plans for extending the Christmas cheer this year to every soldier in the Belgian army of 120,000. The gift will consist of chocolate, toilet soap and candles, furnished at a total cost of \$40,000. A Christmas greeting card will be inclosed, bearing the following inscription, printed in

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Orange County Like "Sunshine."
Published in the greatest shallow water district on earth.

Better a cow under a roof than two on the lee side of a wire fence.

It is not too late to have some calling cards printed for Her Christmas present.

Our equinoctial storm came in a few days ahead of time. Well, anyway, next week the days will begin to get longer.

We announced last week that we would publish a list of the men in army and navy service from this county in the world war, but we are unable at this time to get a complete list of volunteers and so defer the publication.

Superintendent of Schools J. H. Wagner has apportioned \$272,896.60 of school fund among the twenty-eight counties on the basis of \$2.24 for each person in the school census, which indicates that there are 121,829 persons of school age in the state. Roosevelt county with a school census of 3,345 received \$7,492.80.

One firm is quoting some grocery prices this week; it is impossible for a firm to list and price everything handled in one advertisement but this firm expects to give prices on different articles each week for a time. This is our idea of one kind of profitable advertising. Customers like to have some idea of prices, many times, before going to the store.

"Our mustard gas and liquid fire had the English and French stopped alright, but when we played it on the blankety blank Americans they just only turned black and kept on coming," was the quotation of a German officer after an unsuccessful attack on a regiment of American negroes.

We do not get as many communities represented in our country correspondence as we want. We would like a reporter at or near each post office in the county; we will furnish paper and stamps. The experience and practice gained by some young person in this line may be of value to them in after life. Is there some one at Floyd, Longs, Arch, Upton and other points that will report for his community sometimes, if unable to furnish news every week?

The State of New Mexico owns \$776,000 worth of Liberty bonds drawing 4 1/2 per cent interest according to the report made by State Treasurer H. L. Hall to Gov. Lindsey a few days ago. The state owns a total of 1,100,000 in various bonds and securities, including \$75,000 of certificates of indebtedness for the council of defense.

The leading merchant of Jewel City is putting on a "quit business" sale, notes the Osborne Farmer. He has been in business thirty years, and never allowed an issue of his home paper to come out without his advertisement in it. Is he broke? Not on your life. He is quitting because he wants to have a little time to spend some of his fortune.

Now that we are about to undertake the task of feeding the Germans, says Jay House, we hope that those having the matter in charge will see to it that the officer who ordered the execution of Edith Cavell gets a thick juicy sirloin steak. Nor should the matter of awarding turkeys and cranberries to those concerned in the sinking of the Lusitania be overlooked. We doubt, however, that any special dispensation of food be granted those who rushed against and bombarded the ship. They killed only a few of the helpless women and children. Let them see what the

THE FIRST TEST OF MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP IN AMERICA

Somewhere in the United States there is a big land owner whose plantation consists of many leagues of the most fertile land in the country. This land is occupied by a class of people who give one-fourth of all they produce for the privilege of living on the face of the earth. They live in messy shacks and partake of the coarsest food.

The big landlord resides in a palatial residence, rides in a limousine, and feasts on the costliest products which the world can furnish.

Near this splendid palace is a very beautiful orchard and vineyard. This here that a million blossoms blend their fragrance into a rare and varied perfume in spring; which finally give place to the aroma of ripening fruit of summer. Big Elberta peaches soften and mellow into gold. Plums and cherries drink of the midnight hue, until they become intoxicated with the blackest shade of darkness. Birds sing and nestle their downy babies amid the tree tops. A myriad humming insects wallow in the nectar of the blossom, or wade through puddles of honey dew that ooze out of the mellow fruit. This is indeed a wonderful Empire of the insect world; for the landlord's apiary is located in this orchard. Long strings of bees stretch and wind like "thread among the gold." These insects gather honey and store it away for the rich land owner. They, too, are little servants who contribute a share of all they produce.

Little Velvet Back was a wise little bee that occupied a stand under an old apple tree. She was a tireless worker. She was the first to scout out of the hive at day break, and the last to darken the door at even tide. Finally the huge stand was full of honey. Little Velvet Back felt proud of her wealth. She realized for once that the family had enough food to carry them through the entire winter. Still she did not stop her work. The generous hand of nature had lavished her good things, and Velvet Back wanted to Hooverize. But when her gladness had reached its height, she saw a servant of the landlord coming toward the apple tree. What right had he to intrude on such a happy family? What in the world did he mean anyhow?

One of Velvet Back's sisters resented the insult. She flew at the intruder and drove a tiny dagger deep into the servant's wrist. The fellow almost yelled with pain. Alas! poor little sister inflicted her own death wound, and died a few minutes later. The servant began to blow some smoke down into the hive. The deadly fumes almost caused Little Velvet Back to faint. She rushed out and led a terrible assault against the enemy. The powerful bars of his mask stood like a Chinese wall in her path. The foe was now invulnerable.

When the noise ceased, and the fumes blew away, the frightened family rushed back into the hive to see what had been done. A very sickening sight met their eyes. Great quantities of their choice honey had been taken away. What were they to do? Winter came on with its cold wind and colder rain. The family suffered untold agonies.

The Queen Mother was wise enough to appreciate the gravity of the situation. She issued a ration order; which only allowed one "speck" of sweets per day. This amount was insufficient to sustain life; but their supply of food was limited, and they were forced to observe the ruling. Many workers actually starved to death. Somehow or other, little Velvet Back managed to scramble through the long winter. The drones that never hit a lick of work in their lives were always ready to circle around the table at eating time. The wise bee had a way of talking back that was not at all pleasant with the drones. One particular drone rose to the occasion and debated with Velvet Back. "The reason that we suffer," said the drone, "is because that the hired man robbed us of all that honey." Down deep in Velvet's heart she knew that he had only spoken half a truth. "Surely that bee knows what he is talking about," said another bee to Velvet Back one day. "If that drone is correct," said Velvet Back, "I shall leave this wretched place, and never show my face again." So away she flew toward a mighty forest. After considerable search, she found a hollow tree down by the brookside. It was not beautiful like the landlord's bee gum; but it was in a secluded spot where she thought they would be safe. Velvet Back hastened homeward to inform the family of her discovery.

A few days later the Queen Mother was escorted to the door of the hive. Velvet Back pointed away over the hills toward the forest. Another moment, and all of her companions were up in the air. Even the Mother Queen began to whirl. "Buzza louder, little mother," said Velvet Back. The encouragement bore fruit. She buzzed so very loud that she actually felt herself rising. The sensation was sublime. Never before had she enjoyed such a thrill of pleasure. Her happiness was complete, when she looked and saw every one of her constituents on the wing. She knew it was time to go.

At this moment the hired men appeared on the scene with bells and violins and began to make music. The queen very much wanted to stop awhile and listen. But Velvet Back knew it was only a trick to entice them into further bondage. She kept calling her mother to come on, so away they went. The little children of the plantation heard the humming of wings,

and turned up their faces toward the sky. The light of the sun shone deep into their pretty little eyes. One little boy said: "Yonder goes a swarm of the landlord's servants." He had caught the spirit of progress from the bees. After traveling some miles, the Queen Mother began to show some signs of fatigue; for her wings were not accustomed to long flights. Velvet Back's wing was very strong. When she observed the mother's exhaustion, she slipped under her, until the queen's feet could touch the velvet upon her back. In this way she helped to carry the mother until her wings could rest. The bees finally reached the vicinity of their destination, and settled upon an old limb near by. Velvet Back and her comrades swept out the chamber, and made it a fit place for a queen. They moved in. They went to work with a vim. The drones showed that same lazy disposition which they had always exhibited. When Velvet Back requested them to work and help make a living, they would inform her that they were "rich gentlemen," that they owned all of the flowers and that their "rents" would keep them in "luxury."

In one particular dell, the earth was literally covered with flowers. Here was a favorite spot for the bees to assemble. It was here that Velvet Back called her first meeting composed only of workers. She showed that the colony was still being exploited out of what they produced. "By amending the constitution," said the wise bee, "and making the resources of life the common ownership of all, it will force the drones to go to work," the amendment carried. The drones being unable to live by exploitation, were forced to get out and make their own living.

"UNCLE LARK."

United War Work Pledges One-half the amount pledged was due December 2, if you have not yet made your payment, see W. B. Oldham at the First National Bank.

Christmas Is Children's Day

The message of Christmas is love. Its emblem is radiant, thankful, contented childhood. Without love and without children there could be no real Christmas. The form might survive but the substance would be lacking.

Unhappy must be the adult who cannot make himself a child again in spirit at the Yuletide. For Christmas is the universal children's day. Men and women are superfluous except as they make themselves partners with those whom the day glorifies.

Let us, then, lay aside the affectation and arrogance of manhood and womanhood and be children again. Let us adopt their point of view and put ourselves in their places—in the places of these sons and daughters of our neighbors. It was only a year or two ago, as it seems, when we hung our well-worn stockings in a row along the mantel shelf, while our fathers and mothers looked on with unfeigned pleasure at the innocent confidence we showed in what the morrow would bring forth.

Even as you and I. It all comes back in a flood of memories. Life was simpler then. Our desires were less pretentious than those of our children voice now. Modest remembrances they were that bulged toe and heel of the stockings, mother knit.

Life and its circumstances change, but the essence of Christmas never. The same happy childhood, the same restlessness, the same snail-like creeping of time as the holiday approaches. The same parenthood, too—the same planning across the reading table after the boys and girls are abed, the same loving consideration of what this or that child most desires and how far the family purse can properly be stretched to permit some further purchase.

Every home is assured a Christmas if it has a great, warm heart pulsating in tune with the hopes and joys of childhood.—Exchange.

Christmas Morning



O lookit Tommy, Santa come for you and me. But I never heard a single sound when he left that Christmas tree.

"Once upon a time," says the Erie Record, meaning thereby that it has happened many more times than once, "we knew a farmer who, after raising \$3,500 worth of wheat in a single season moved to town that fall and went into the restaurant business."

News Want Ads are Winners.

Manson, Ia.—The much misused editor has at last come into his own. The recent order of the pulp and paper board to "conserve" newspapers gave the editors a chance to get even. At least that is what the editor of the Manson Democrat says. Here's the story:

"This good old newspaper shop has a good joke on one of its delinquent subscribers. Years ago he pulled out of town and left, of course, his newspaper subscription unpaid. Every honorable method was used to get him to pay it, but he was adamant. Prosperity smiled on him and he revealed in wealth—for him—but the old bill of the Democrat never bothered him. "Not long ago he began to yearn for news from the old home town, so he sent us a check for the two boxes to pay for a year's subscription. When his letter came we smiled. When we looked it over again we 'lawfed.' "Then we took it up to Morris Fitz's bank and cashed it and waited until we were sure it had reached its parent bank—and then we 'writ' the gentleman and gave him credit for two simoleons on his old account. Bet a horse and steal the horse that he never tries to subscribe for this sheet again."

A man engaged to shuck corn for a Reeds county farmer this fall for ten cents a bushel. At the end of the first day he told the boss he didn't want to shuck by the bushel any more, but asked how much he would give him by the mile.

News Want Ads are Winners.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION 012722

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Fort Sumner, N. M., Nov. 15th, 1918.

NOTICE is hereby given that Samuel A. Black, of Portales, N. M., who, on September 15, 1915, made homestead entry No. 012722, for E 1/4, section 29, township 1 N., Range 35 E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof to establish claim to the land above described, before J. C. Compton, Probate Judge, in his office at Portales, N. M., on the 31st day of December, 1918.

Claimant names as witnesses: Joe Beasley, Monroe Hoxea, Sam Boone, Frank A. Warnica, all of Portales, N. M.

W. R. McGILL, Register. 3-5t

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Fort Sumner, N. M., November 11, 1918.

NOTICE is hereby given that Fannie Black of Portales, N. M., who, on March 18, 1915, made Homestead Entry No. 012,411, for S 1/2 Section 35, Township 1 N., Range 35 E., N. M. P. Meridian has filed notice of intention to make final Three Year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before J. C. Compton, Probate Judge, in his office at Portales, N. M., on the 30th day of December, 1918.

Claimant names as witnesses: Joe Beasley, Frank A. Warnica, Sam Boone, Monroe Hoxea, all of Portales, N. M.

W. R. McGILL, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION 013073

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Fort Sumner, N. M., November 25th, 1918.

NOTICE is hereby given that Doe W. Herndon, of Delphos N. M., who, on October 12th, 1918, made homestead entry No. 013073, for SW 1/4, Sec. 11, and NW 1/4 Section 14, township 3 south, range 33 east, N. M. P. Meridian has filed notice of intention to make Final Three Year Proof to establish claim to the land above described, before J. C. Compton, Probate Judge, in his office at Portales, N. M., on the 31st day of December, 1918.

Claimant names as witnesses: Ed McAlister, Finkey H. Morris, Eli C. Cummings, John H. Bollinger, all of Delphos, N. M.

W. R. McGILL, Register. 4-5t

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION 013071

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Ft. Sumner, N. M., November 18th, 1918.

NOTICE is hereby given that William A. Johnston, of St. Vrain, N. M., who, on October 12th, 1915, made homestead entry No. 013071, for SW 1/4 section 9, township 1 N., Range 33 E., N. M. P. Meridian has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof to establish claim to the land above described before R. D. Elder, U. S. Commissioner, in his office at St. Vrain, N. M., on the 28th day of December, 1918.

Claimant names as witnesses: James S. Mauldin, of Floyd, N. M.; Isaac T. Guest, of Portales, N. M.; Dallas McDaniel, of Portales, N. M.; Rube Anderson, of Portales, N. M.

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DELPHOS ITEMS

Dock Herndon went to Portales Monday. Dora Cox was in Delphos a day or two this week. Progress is like some horses—awful short gaited. G. A. Chumbley has been pretty active in the cattle market this week. Mr. Tinsley is grading on the public highway in front of Delphos today. John Page of the Mann community is in the berg today on business. G. A. Chumbley was scheduled to ship two car load of cattle yesterday. Leslie and Willie Nichols have gone to Texas. Oscar will go in a few days. Lowrie Johnson passed through Delphos Sunday on his way from Campbell, N. M. P. H. Morris has been doing quite a lot of repairing on his residence this week. It is reported that Rex Burroughs of near Redlake has recently purchased a fine car. It is reported that a part of the 34th division of our forces in France is on their way home. Watt Williams has leased some grass up about Clovis and will take his herd thither in a few days. Mrs. M. V. Cummings has been staying most of the time in Portales lately as Baker is attending high school there. It appears that the "family tree" of the Hohenzollern has fallen. I suggest now that they turn in a bunch of billy goats to keep the sprouts eat down. It is a heap of trouble when "them guys" over yonder kills their engine of peace for Uncle Sam to have to go over and "crank 'er up." It wouldn't take much of that kind of work to get mighty old. Does it look more impossible for a baby to hold in its hand the seeds that are to become a mighty forest as for the ape that swings from limb to limb of that forest to carry in its organism a 19th century civilization? Maey Morris received a letter from Lee Doyal Sunday. Lee has been shot three times and is still rearing to fight. We enclose part of the letter. Letter From Lee Doyal Miss Maey Morris, Delphos, N. M. Dear Maey: Will try and write you a few lines. I am fine and dandy and I hope you all are the same. We have been having lots of excitement the last few weeks. But sometimes the Dutch get so loud as to be real funny; but we generally get back at him. I have got my other hand all wrapped up. Have been hit three times but was not hurt much either time. But they can't worry me; as I have got just as good a chance to get by as they have. Sure wish that Marion was with me. Hope that if he ever comes across I will get to see him. I wish that I could be there (at Delphos) tonight. I could have a better time than sitting around here and listening to these shells burst. Ha! Ha! I sure pity you folks when the soldiers get back home. They are just like a bunch of rabbits. Every time they hear a big noise they run for a hole. It looks funny to see all the boys sitting around their dug-outs. I got a letter from Ira telling what a big time he had in New York. Guess that he had forgotten that we were there for a few weeks. As ever, Lee A. Doyal. Bat. A, 146 — A. E. F. Lee Carter writes Fire Insurance in Best Companies. 41tf

VALLEY NEWS WANT ADS

RATES—One cent per word for each insertion. Payable when ordered. Lee Carter writes Fire Insurance in best companies. 41-4tf Buy your phonograph at Dobbs; trade in your old machine. 5-1f Plumbing and pipe fitting done by J. A. Sisson, phone No 70. All work guaranteed. 2-1f WANTED—You to bring your printing to the Valley News, the best equipped shop in the county. FOR EXCHANGE—A phonograph, good as new, with \$60 worth of records to trade for good typewriter. Box 192, Portales. 1tp Get a phonograph record for a Christmas gift; something new, something novel and something nice, at Dobbs. 5-1f FOR SALE—Maize and feterita in bundles; 10c at the farm 4 1/2 miles west, or 11c per bundle delivered in Portales. W. T. Jackson. 6-1f Ruth Haning, teacher of Piano, Violin, Harmony. Real economy in modern musical education. Phones: Studio, 72; Residence 96-3 rings. 43-1f WANTED—Broke mules from 3 to 8 years old, 14 hands up. Will be in Portales every Saturday. Will buy a few fat, broke mares and horses, 3 to 8 years old, if cheap. J. B. H. Young. 5-1f FOR SALE OR TRADE—One second hand Chevrolet car, in good condition. Will trade for horses, mules or cattle. See E. A. Herndon, Portales, N. M. Phone 178. 7-2tf FOR SALE—Some of my best Jerseys, without calf; milked six months; fresh in spring; cream test average over 43. Price \$50.00 this month only. Chas. R. Satter, Box 95, Portales, New Mexico. 6-2tf ART—Water Colors and Oil Painting. Mrs. J. Miller, graduate of G. & T. College, three years under Miss Norwood (a Cooper graduate with three years experience abroad.) Organizing class January 1; rates reasonable. Call at Moore residence or see Mr. Miller at school. 6-2tf GAS ENGINES—25 H. P. Foss, Two 25 H. P. Mietz & Weiss, 30 H. P. Remington. These engines are too small for our use and we therefore offer any one of them for sale at a bargain. For full particulars address Texas Land & Development Company, Plainview, Texas. 7-4tf TO TRADE—For irrigated or irrigable land near Portales, one four room bungalow with bath, electric lights, sewerage, barn and garage, back yard fenced chicken proof, corner lot 46x128 feet. Also one four room box house, front and back gallery and a store building, electric lights, bath, sewerage and gas; store part is about 15x30 feet, lot 45x142 feet. The above property is located in Austin, Texas. For particulars see J. L. Gilliam, Portales, New Mexico. 7-1f

ROGERS ITEMS

Rev. Marshall will preach at this place Sunday. A girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Olive Thomas, Friday, December 18th. Some of the Rogers boys are expected home from the training camps by Christmas. The Marsh family moved to Rogers last week for the children to attend school here. The singing at Mrs. Frazee's Sunday evening was well attended and enjoyed by everyone. Edward Anderson was expected home for the holidays but because of business he will not be here. The Rogers rural mail carrier's horses got out and left home one night last week. Mr. Miller was afraid he would be late with the mail so he did not take time to look for them but harnessed himself to the buggy and trotted off. Santa Clause is to be at the Christmas tree in full glory next week. The school will also render a short program. Come, everybody!



Australian wheat prospects are less favorable according to late reports. The rains came too late to be of any material benefit to the crops in Queensland where the crop may not be sufficient for home requirements. In Argentina harvesting of wheat and oats is being delayed by rains. Prices on grain in Argentina are firmer; December wheat \$1.41 a bushel; corn 64c a bushel; and oats 33 1/2c a bushel. Freight to New York is about 50c a bushel.

NOTICE!
Your Second Payment on Fourth Liberty Loan Bond is due Nov. 21, being 20 per cent. The banks are required to remit on this date.

All payments should be made promptly on or before this date.
Next payment on Liberty Bonds, 20 per cent, will be due December 19

First National Bank

"THE BANK WHERE YOU FEEL AT HOME"

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

From the Portales Times of December 19, 1903: E. S. Whitelaw and Miss Rosa Martin were married December 16th at the home of the bride's parents, W. O. Martin and wife; the ceremony was performed by Rev. J. A. Messer of the Methodist church. E. J. White purchased the telephone exchange business from Warnica. The Womens Club met with Mrs. Neer, and Mrs. Breeding was leader. Tom Elland and Miss Maude Burris were married at the home of the bride, December 18. A bill was before congress for consideration asking the privilege by the territory to sell the school land section No. 36-1-34 to obtain fund for building a school house in Portales. Announcement was received of the death at Dunn, Texas, of Robert Faussett, one of the pioneers of the Valley. That beautiful Stationery at the Portales Drug Store will make a nice Christmas present. Get yours NOW! An exchange notes that a little boy got a very quick and accurate reply to his question when he said, "Mamma, what is a substitute?" A substitute, my child, is anything that is higher priced than the original. The soldier boy at home or in camp will enjoy a box of Tom Moore cigars. He deserves the best. Portales Drug Store for good cigars. The government has guaranteed the wheat growers \$2.20 a bushel and England goes to Australia and buys all the wheat it wants at 90c a bushel. All right, the more John Bull buys in Australia the more we shall have here for our own use—at \$2.20 a bushel. Our cup runneth over and is exceedingly expensive; we have a land of plenty and it is plenty to pay.—Los Angeles Times.

TEN YEARS AGO

From the Portales Times December 17, 1908: C. W. Morris & Sons reported a total of 112 bales of cotton ginned, which brought the grower from 7 1/4 to 7 1/2 cents a pound. Mrs. Wade Park died at her home near Dora after several weeks illness. Carl Moss, living near Mann, had gone to Missouri to close up some business matter preparatory to moving here. John W. Baker and Miss Lula Kenneson were married at the home of the bride's mother south of town, December 10 and went to Oklahoma to live. The Times carried a total of 113 final proof notices, which must have gladdened the heart of the publisher; the applications had accumulated at the land office for six months past. The leading mercantile firms were all putting on special sales and the Times printed ten pages that week. Now is the time to buy Cut Glass and Hand Painted China. Friday and Saturday special sale. Portales Drug Store. It

Knud Knudsons are having quite a siege of the "flu," reports the Happy Hollow correspondent to the Larned Tiller and Toiler; six of the older children being down. The younger children, the reporter says, are run in the south pasture in the day time and sleep in the barn at night. It is believed they will thus escape the disease.

DR. W. E. BROMLEY
CHIROPRACTOR
PERMANENTLY LOCATED
—Office at—
THE NASH HOTEL

NOTICE OF SUIA... in the District Court of Roosevelt County, New Mexico. vs. No. 4450. Plaintiff, E. B. Hawkins, vs. Defendants, Julia A. Hollingsworth, Robert Gamaliel Hollingsworth, Robert Gamaliel Hollingsworth, James Barclay Hollingsworth, and the Unknown Heirs of E. B. Hollingsworth, deceased. The State of New Mexico to the defendants, Julia A. Hollingsworth, Robert Gamaliel Hollingsworth, whose name also appears of record as Robert G. Hollingsworth, and James Barclay Hollingsworth, whose name also appears of record as James B. Hollingsworth, and the unknown heirs of E. B. Hollingsworth, Greeting: The said defendants will take notice that a suit has been filed against them by the above named plaintiff in the above named court, styled and numbered on the civil docket of said court as above set forth. The nature and general objects of said suit are to quiet, establish and confirm plaintiff's title and estate in and to Block number seven in the Leach Addition to the Town of Portales, Roosevelt county, New Mexico, as per plat and map of said Addition and survey thereof by C. L. Carter, of the SE 1/4 of Sec. 35, Twp. one (1) South of Range thirty-four (34) East, N. M. P. M., and as same appears of record in the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Roosevelt county New Mexico, against any and all adverse claims of defendants or any of them, and that said defendants be forever barred and estopped from having or claiming any right or title to the said lands and premises, adverse to the plaintiff, and that plaintiff's title thereto be forever quieted and set at rest; it being alleged in said complaint that plaintiff is the owner of said lands and premises in fee simple, and that defendants make some claim thereto adverse to the estate of plaintiff. Said defendants are further notified that unless they enter their appearance in said action on or by the 17th day of January, 1919, judgment will be rendered against them by default and the plaintiff given the relief demanded in his complaint. T. E. Mears is attorney for plaintiff and his business and postoffice address is Portales, New Mexico. Witness my hand and seal as clerk of said court on this the 28th day of November, 1918. SETH A. MORRISON, Clerk. (seal) By A. J. GOODWIN, Deputy.

WHERE SHALL I SHIP MY FURS?
The Important Problem Every Fur Shipper Must Solve to be Successful
You are receiving price lists and other literature from many different Fur Houses—all claiming to pay the highest prices, etc. This makes it difficult for you to choose your Fur House and a wrong guess may mean dollars out of your pocket. You must exercise great care and caution in choosing the Fur House to whom you are going to entrust your catch of Fur-bearing animals. You can solve this important problem by making "Shubert" a trial shipment. For more than thirty-five years "Shubert" has been paying Fur shippers "more money" for their Furs—always giving an honest and liberal assortment—paying the highest market prices—sending returns out promptly in other words, rendering "better service"—"quicker." "Shubert" offers you the SERVICE of an honest—reliable—responsible—safe Fur House where you take no risk. "The Shubert Guarantee" protects you absolutely. A trial convince you. Get a shipment off—TODAY. Write for "The Shubert Shipper," a complete Fur Market Report and Price List issued at every change in the Fur Market. It's FREE—Write for it—NOW. SHIP YOUR FURS DIRECT TO **A.B. SHUBERT, INC.** The Largest House in the World Dealing Exclusively in AMERICAN RAW FURS 75-77 W. Austin Ave. Dept. Chicago, U.S.A. 1462

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FIRST OF RETURNING AMERICAN TROOPS ARRIVE



The Commander Mauretania, bearing 4,000 victorious Americans, steamed into New York harbor December 1, the first ship to carry the actual fighters home from abroad. The boys were members of the aviation corps.

THIS IS WHERE PRESIDENT WILSON LANDS



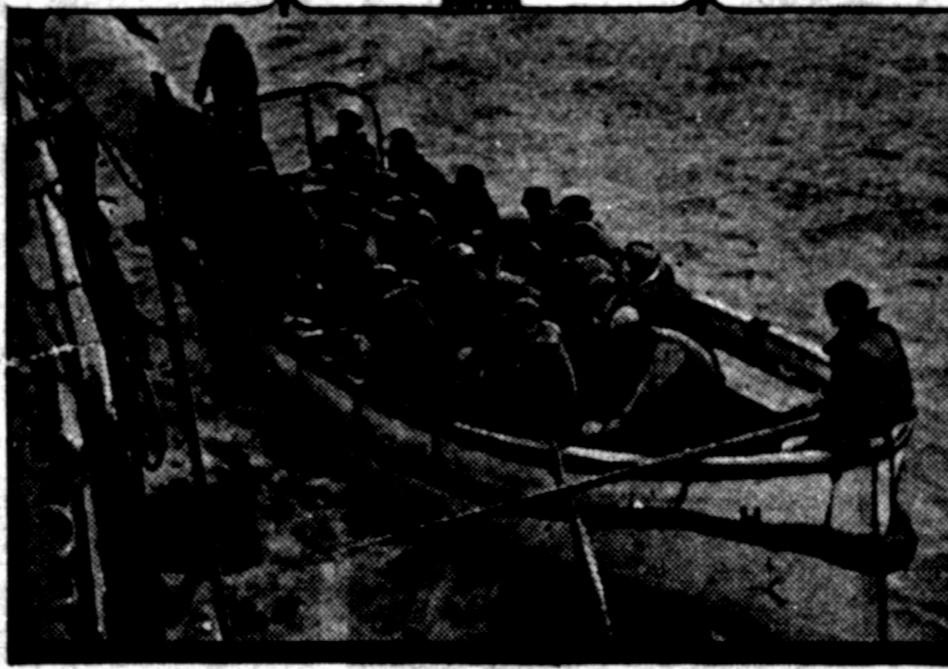
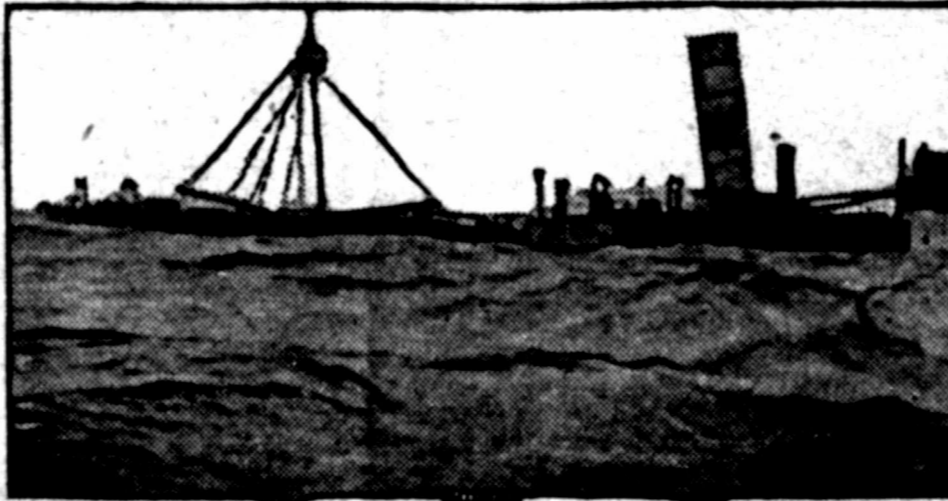
The schedule for the trip of President Wilson across the Atlantic provided for his landing at Brest on December 12. Above is a scene in the harbor of Brest, which has been one of the large American naval bases in Europe.

TAKING PRESIDENT ACROSS



Capt. E. McCawley, Jr., commanding officer, and Commander Perkins, executive officer of the U. S. transport George Washington, photographed on the bridge of the vessel at her pier in Hoboken just before the boat sailed for France with President Wilson and his party aboard.

PICTURES OF SINKING OF THE LUCIA



The steamer Lucia, which was struck by an enemy torpedo on October 17, was the last American vessel to be reported a victim of German submarines. The Lucia, which was equipped with buoyancy boxes designed to make her unsinkable, kept afloat for nearly 24 hours. The destroyers Fairfax and Huntington went to the rescue of the ill-fated vessel. The upper photograph shows the sinking of the Lucia, with the last boatload of survivors leaving. The lower photograph shows a motorboat of the Huntington arriving at the destroyer with survivors.

WORTH REMEMBERING

Dried white mulberry is one of the principal articles of food in Afghanistan. The Japanese lover presents to his sweetheart a beautiful silk sash instead of an engagement ring. A folding rack that can be attached to an oil or gas stove has been invented for drying small articles of clothing. The French Academy of Sciences has created a new department to consider the application of science to industry. There are more than 200 specimens of silk-producing insects, though very few of these are of any practical value to mankind.

A new automobile bumper can be locked to the front wheels of a car to prevent theft. A great deal of oil made from tomato seeds finds its way into paint. It is a quick dryer. In olden times, when men kissed, each took hold of the other's hand during the operation. A new typewriter of light weight is made of three separate self-contained units, the base, action and carriage. Tumblers for cold drinks that are made of ice and provided with paper holders have been invented by a German. A safe toy gun for children that has been invented shoots a wire ring with such a spin that it returns to the shooter.

Ugh! Calomel Sickens, Salivates! Please Try Dodson's Liver Tone

I am sincere! My medicine does not upset liver and bowels so you lose a day's work.

You're bilious! Your liver is sluggish! You feel laxy, dizzy and all knocked out. Your head is dull, your tongue is coated; breath bad; stomach sour and bowels constipated. But don't take salivating calomel. It makes you sick; you may lose a day's work. Calomel is mercury or quicksilver, which causes necrosis of the bones. Calomel crushes into sour bile like dynamite, breaking it up. That's when you feel that awful nausea and cramping.

If you want to enjoy the nicest, gentlest liver and bowel cleansing you ever experienced just take a spoonful of harmless Dodson's Liver Tone tonight. Your druggist or dealer sells you a bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone for a few cents under my personal money-back guarantee that each spoon-

ful will clean your sluggish liver better than a dose of nasty calomel and that it won't make you sick.

Dodson's Liver Tone is real liver medicine. You'll know it next morning because you will wake up feeling fine, your liver will be working, your headache and dizziness gone, your stomach will be sweet and your bowels regular. You will feel like working; you'll be cheerful; full of vigor and ambition.

Dodson's Liver Tone is entirely vegetable, therefore harmless and can not salivate. Give it to your children. Millions of people are using Dodson's Liver Tone instead of dangerous calomel now. Your druggist will tell you that the sale of calomel is almost stopped entirely here.—Adv.



Put a ... Step to all Distemper CURES THE SICK

And prevents others having the disease no matter how exposed 60 cents and \$1.25 a bottle, \$2.50 and \$11.50 a dozen bottles. All good druggists and turf goods houses. Spohn Medical Co. Coshen, Ind., U. S. A.

Her Title. Bacon—I understand his wife has a position now? Egbert—Yes. She's working at a ribbon counter in a department store. "And does he call her his better half?" "No; his counter-part."

Vital Question. Mrs. Johnson—Sistah Martha has jest got a divorce f'um her husband. Mrs. Jackson—You don't say. How much amonies did de cou't grant her? —Boston Transcript.

Severe Injury. Civilian—"How did you get that wound stripe?" Private—"Me heart broke when we didn't march to Berlin."

Pleasant Politics. "I hear a lot of pretty girls voted this year." "Yes, I enjoyed getting out the vote."

Very Much So. "What's been on the carpet lately?" "King Albert going to Brussels, for one thing."



Low Meat Prices vs. High Cattle Prices

If the farmer cannot get enough for his live stock, he raises less, and the packer gets less raw material.

If the consumer has to pay too much for his meat, he eats less of it, and the packer finds his market decreased.

The packer wants the producer to get enough to make live-stock raising profitable, and he wants the price of meat so low that everyone will eat it.

But all he can do, and what he would have to do in any case to stay in business, is to keep down the cost of processing the farmer's stock into meat so that the consumer pays for the meat and by-products only a little more than the farmer gets for his animals.

For example, last year Swift & Company paid for its cattle about 90 per cent of what it got for meat and by-products (such as hides, tallow, oils, etc.)

If cattle from the farm were turned miraculously into meat in the hands of retailers (without going through the expense of dressing, shipping and marketing), the farmer would get only about 1 1/2 cents per pound more for his cattle, or consumers would pay only about 2 1/4 cents per pound less for their beef!

Out of this cent or two per pound, Swift & Company pays for the operation of extensive plants, pays freight on meats, operates refrigerator cars, maintains branch houses, and in most cases, delivers to retailers all over the United States. The profit amounts to only a fraction of a cent, and a part of this profit goes to build more plants, to give better service, and to increase the company's usefulness to the country.

Swift & Company, U. S. A.

WAYS OF BEAUTIFUL HAIR

A small bottle of "Danderine" makes hair thick, glossy and wavy.

Remove all dandruff, stops itching scalp and falling hair.



To be possessed of a head of heavy, beautiful hair; soft, lustrous, fluffy, wavy and free from dandruff is merely a matter of using a little Danderine.

It is easy and inexpensive to have nice, soft hair and lots of it. Just get a small bottle of Knowlton's Danderine now—it costs but a few cents—all drug stores recommend it—apply a little as directed and within ten minutes there will be an appearance of abundance, freshness, fluffiness and an incomparable gloss and lustre, and try as you will you cannot find a trace of dandruff or falling hair; but your real surprise will be after about two weeks' use, when you will see new hair—fine and downy at first—yes—but really new hair—sprouting out all over your scalp—Danderine is, we believe, the only sure hair grower, destroyer of dandruff and cure for itchy scalp, and it never fails to stop falling hair at once.

If you want to prove how pretty and soft your hair really is, moisten a cloth with a little Danderine and carefully draw it through your hair—taking one small strand at a time. Your hair will be soft, glossy and beautiful in just a few moments—a delightful surprise awaits everyone who tries this. Adv.

"Service."

That has been the message of the uniform to us. It was the badge of service. It shamed us into unselfishness. In every coat of blue or of olive drab was a lad who might perish from torpedo or shrapnel. He was a living sacrifice to the safety of the rest of us. Thoughtful people could not look on one of these handsome young men without inwardly wondering whether he would be spared, or how badly he would be wounded. Such thoughts discourage meaner emotions. —Boston Globe.

Introspection.

"Aren't you a trifle self-centered?" "Can't help it. It's hard for a man to keep his mind off himself after he has tried to do his duty by an income tax report and a few questionnaires."



Your Labor Counts—every ounce of work you do helps some soldier! This war was fought as truly in the household and in the workshop as it was in the trenches.

Some of our American women are being down physically and mentally by the weakness of their sex. They suffer from headache, dragging sensation, burning-down pains, very nervous and pain in top of head. If they ask their neighbors they will be told to take a Favorite Prescription of Dr. Pierce's which has been so well and favorably known for the past half century.

Weak women should try it now. Don't wait! Today is the day to begin. This comprehensive tonic and nerve will bring you vigor and vitality. Send Dr. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y., for trial pkg. tablets.



Try, O.K.—"I am pleased to have the chance to tell that Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription did wonders for me. Last year during pregnancy I was getting so weak that I was unable to walk. I was told to take a trial bottle of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. I took it and in a few days I was able to walk. I am now a healthy, happy mother of a fine baby. I can't say enough for Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It is a wonderful medicine. I am sure it will do the same for you. Write for trial pkg. tablets." —Mrs. J. M. Smith, 111 E. 11th St., New York, N. Y.

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Readjustment for Reconstruction

DURING the great war now closed except as to diplomatic details, the telephone was privileged to play a conspicuous part. That it, served so capably and well is due in large measure to the patriotic co-operation of the public.

Now post-war conditions are beginning to influence thought and action. The reconstruction period is at hand. Industries retarded by the necessities of war will begin to expand. The energies and capital directed toward the winning of the war will be diverted to the channels of peaceful pursuits.

Reconstruction will involve the readjustment of plans and policies. It will require no less aggressive thought and energy and action in the business of building for peace than it did in the preparation for and the waging of war.

In the readjustment of business and the reconstruction of industry the telephone will again be an important factor. It will serve as the line of communication between the general headquarters of thought and the front lines of action.

The demands upon the telephone will be tremendous; but the intelligent, considerate use of the telephone will multiply achievement.

May we hope for a continuance of the helpful co-operation which the public has shown us in the past, that the very best results may be obtained from our efforts to serve you satisfactorily.

Are you making good on your W. S. S. Pledge?

The Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph Company

ELIDA MENTION

(From the Elida Enterprise.)--
Section Foreman F. G. Stieg and his crew have moved the section house from Kermit to Elida; it is a \$3,000 structure and one of the best on the line and will be occupied by the section foreman here.

Senator R. G. Bryant and County Agent J. B. Peterson were down from Portales last Wednesday and the latter met some of the people whom he is expected to benefit in his position.

Wayne Metcalf of Eagle Hill, who was at one of the Officers' training camps, received his discharge recently and arrived at Elida Sunday, enroute home.

S. Street, W. E. Collins and F. C. Ruckman shipped cattle to Kansas City yesterday. Mr. Collins and George Beal accompanied the shipment to look after the stock.

The Rebekahs held their annual social for the I. O. O. F. and Rebekahs children last Friday night.

Deputy Sheriff E. M. Kornegay is down with an attack of the flu, contracted last week on a trip he made to Santa Fe to bring Charley Glover back to stand trial for resisting officers. Mr. Kornegay is reported better this morning.

The Uniform Caught Her

They tell of a Greenfield boy who put in for and was granted an industrial exemption—principally because his sweetheart so strenuously objected to the idea of his going to war and being shot. Now he is worried nearly to death because she is writing to a soldier in France, and she has a disposition to flirt with every uniform she sees. He just knows that when the Johnnies come marching home she won't do a thing but throw him down and marry a soldier. If he was to do it over again—but the war has been fought and the victory won and he wasn't in it.—Greenfield Free Press.

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WE WILL PAY THE SPOT CASH FOR YOUR EGGS AND SELL YOU GOOD, CLEAN, FRESH GROCERIES AT ROCK BOTTOM PRICES FOR CASH.

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RACKET GOODS, SHELF HARDWARE, WALL PAPER, PAINTS AND SPECIALTIES

MY OWN HOMEMADE FURNITURE POLISH GUARANTEED.

Pure Linseed Oil, Pure Turpentine, Floor Oil, Machine Oil, Harvester Oil, Crude Oil, Neatfoot Oil, Coal Tar, Pine Tar, Brushes.

KENNA LOCALS

(From the Kenna Record.)
R. L. Roberson and son Carlton are down from Portales this week, trapping.
Baker and Fueson and Douthitt Bros. of Caprock shipped fifteen cars of cattle to market Wednesday.
Ed Lee delivered 112 yearling steers that he sold to W. P. Littlefield, Wednesday. The price was not made public.
C. W. Ayres and Oliver Slade went to Fort Worth, Texas, with some cattle that Mr. Ayres, E. E. Lee and Frank Good shipped the latter part of last week.
A trained nurse came up from Roswell this morning to care for members of the Good and Crosby families who have influenza.
The Valley View community sorrows over the death of Albert Jones who died of influenza at Roswell, Sunday.
Say, kiddies, tell Dad to get you a nice doll at the Portales Drug Store.
D. DeCurto returned last week from a few weeks stay at Albuquerque; his daughter who was ill there is recovering.

Sanitary Work

Phone No. 70 for cleaning out of closets, etc. Prompt service.—T. B. Baker. 7-4tp

Lloyd George says that the war was saved by England carrying the American soldiers overseas. But Davy does not say that the English government is demanding the payment of \$130 for every soldier so transported—to save the face of our Allies.

IT HAPPENED IN PORTALES

And is Happening to Portales People Every Week.
The case told below is not an uncommon thing. The same occurs frequently and will continue to happen as long as folks have kidneys and overtax the kidneys.
Charles W. Carroll, Box 175, Portales, says: "My kidneys got out of order about three years ago and caused me a heap of trouble. My back was so lame and weak I could hardly bend over. My kidneys were in bad shape and caused me much annoyance. I felt tired out and had no ambition. Mornings, I felt unrefreshed. A friend recommended Doan's Kidney Pills and I got some at Neer's drug store. About four boxes of Doan's cured me, fixing me up in A-1 shape." 60c at all dealers. Foster-Milburn Co. Mfrs. Buffalo N. Y.

ADVICE TO "FLU" CONVALESCENTS

SPAIN AND ENGLAND REPORT INCREASE IN TUBERCULOSIS AFTER INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC.

U. S. Public Health Service Warns Public Against Tuberculosis, One Million Cases Tuberculosis in United States—Each a Source of Danger.

Influenza Convalescents Should Have Lungs Examined—Colds Which Hang On Often Beginning of Tuberculosis. No Cause for Alarm if Tuberculosis is Recognized Early—Patent Medicines Not to Be Trusted.

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- * Beware tuberculosis after influenza. No need to worry if you take precautions in time.
- * Don't diagnose your own condition. Have your doctor examine your lungs several times at monthly intervals. Build up your strength with right living, good food and plenty of fresh air.
- * Don't waste money on patent medicines advertised to cure tuberculosis.
- * Become a fresh-air crank and enjoy life.
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Washington, D. C.—(Special.)—According to a report made to the United States Public Health Service, the epidemic of influenza in Spain has already caused an increase in the prevalence and deaths from pulmonary tuberculosis. A similar association between influenza and tuberculosis was recently made by Sir Arthur Newsholme, the chief medical officer of the English public health service, in his analysis of the tuberculosis death rate in England.

In order that the people of the United States may profit by the experience of other countries, Surgeon General Rupert Blue of the United States Public Health Service has just issued a warning emphasizing the need of special precautions at the present time. "Experience seems to indicate," says the Surgeon General, "that persons whose resistance has been weakened by an attack of influenza are peculiarly susceptible to tuberculosis. With millions of its people recently affected with influenza this country now offers conditions favoring the spread of tuberculosis."

One Million Consumptives in the United States.

"Then you consider this a serious menace?" was asked. "In my opinion it is, though I hasten to add it is distinctly one against which the people can guard. So far as one can estimate there are at present about one million cases of tuberculosis in the United States. There is unfortunately no complete census available to show exactly the number of tuberculosis persons in each state despite the fact that most of the states have made the disease reportable. In New York city, where reporting has been in force for many years, over 35,000 cases of tuberculosis are registered with the Department of Health. Those familiar with the situation believe that the addition of unrecognized and unreported cases would make the number nearer 50,000. The very careful health survey conducted during the past two years in Framingham, Mass., revealed 200 cases of tuberculosis in a population of approximately 15,000. If these proportions hold true for the United States as a whole they would indicate that about one in every hundred persons is tuberculous. Each of these constitutes a source of danger to be guarded against."

What to Do.
In his statement to the public Surgeon General Blue points out how those who have had influenza should protect themselves against tuberculosis. "All who have recovered from influenza," says the Surgeon General, "should have their lungs carefully examined by a competent physician. In fact, it is desirable to have several examinations made a month apart. Such examinations cannot be made through the clothing nor can they be carried out in two or three minutes. If the lungs are found to be free from tuberculosis every effort should be made to keep them so. This can be done by right living, good food and plenty of fresh air."

Danger Signs.
The Surgeon General warned especially against certain danger signs, such as "decline" and "colds which hang on."
These, he explained, were often the beginning of tuberculosis. "If you do not get well promptly, if your cold seems to hang on of your health and strength decline, remember that these are often the early signs of tuberculosis. Place yourself at once under the care of a competent physician. Tuberculosis is curable in the early stages."

Patent Medicines Dangerous in Tuberculosis.
"Above all do not trust in the misleading statements of unscrupulous patent medicine fakers. There is no specific medicine for the cure of tuberculosis. The money spent on such medicines is thrown away; it should be spent instead for good food and decent living."

U. S. HEALTH SERVICE ISSUES WARNING

Increase in All Respiratory Diseases After the Influenza Epidemic Probable.

Influenza Expected to Lurk for Months. How to Guard Against Pneumonia. Common Colds Highly Catching—Importance of Suitable Clothing—Could Save 100,000 Lives.

Washington, D. C.—With the subsidence of the epidemic of influenza the attention of health officers is directed to pneumonia, bronchitis and other diseases of the respiratory system which regularly cause a large number of deaths, especially during the winter season. According to Rupert Blue, Surgeon General of the United States Public Health Service, these diseases will be especially prevalent this winter unless the people are particularly careful to obey health instructions.

"The present epidemic," said Surgeon General Blue, "has taught by bitter experience how readily a condition beginning apparently as a slight cold may go on to pneumonia and death. Although the worst of the epidemic is over, there will continue to be a large number of scattered cases, many of them mild and unrecognized, which will be danger spots to be guarded against." The Surgeon General likened the present situation to that after a great fire, saying, "No fire chief who understands his business stops playing the hose on the charred debris as soon as the flames and visible fire have disappeared. On the contrary, he continues the water for hours and even days, for he knows that there is danger of the fire rekindling from smoldering embers."

"Then you fear another outbreak of influenza?" he was asked. "Not necessarily another large epidemic," said the Surgeon General, "but unless the people learn to realize the seriousness of the danger they will be compelled to pay a heavy death toll from pneumonia and other respiratory diseases."

Common Colds Highly Catching.

"It is encouraging to observe that people are beginning to learn that ordinary coughs and colds are highly catching and are spread from person to person by means of droplets of germ laden mucus. Such droplets are sprayed into the air when careless or ignorant people cough or sneeze without covering their mouth and nose. It is also good to know that people have learned something about the value of fresh air. In summer, when people are largely out of doors, the respiratory diseases (coughs, colds, pneumonia, etc.) are infrequent; in the fall, as people begin to remain indoors, the respiratory diseases increase; in the winter, when people are prone to stay in badly ventilated, overheated rooms, the respiratory diseases become very prevalent."

Suitable Clothing Important.

"Still another factor in the production of colds, pneumonia and other respiratory diseases is carelessness or ignorance of the people regarding suitable clothing during the seasons when the weather suddenly changes, sitting in warm rooms too heavily dressed or, what is even more common, especially among women, dressing so lightly that windows are kept closed in order to be comfortably warm. This is a very injurious practice."

Could Save 100,000 Lives.

"I believe we could easily save one hundred thousand lives annually in the United States if all the people would adopt the system of fresh air living followed, for example, in tuberculosis sanatoria. There is nothing mysterious about it—no specific medicine, no vaccine. The important thing is right living, good food and plenty of fresh air."

Droplet Infection Explained in Pictures.

"The Bureau of Public Health, Treasury Department, has just issued a striking poster drawn by Berryman, the well-known Washington cartoonist. The poster exemplifies the modern method of health education. A few years ago, under similar circumstances, the health authorities would have issued an official dry but scientifically accurate bulletin teaching the role of droplet infection in the spread of respiratory diseases. The only ones who would have understood the bulletin would have been those who already knew all about the subject. The man in the street, the plain citizen and the many millions who toil for their living would have had no time and no desire to wade through the technical phraseology."



USE THE HANKERCHIEF AND DON'T GIVE YOUR BIT TO PROTECT ME!

COLDS, INFLUENZA, PNEUMONIA, AND TUBERCULOSIS ARE SPREAD THIS WAY

Copies of this poster can be obtained free of charge by writing to the Surgeon General, U. S. Public Health Service, Washington, D. C.

MEAT PRODUCERS DID FULL DUTY

Increase in American Hogs Will Help to Meet World Fat Shortage.

FARMERS SAVE SITUATION.

Government Justified in Stimulation of Pork Production—Sevenfold Increase Over Pre-War Exports.

Through increased production and conservation we will be able this year to export seven times our pre-war average exports of pork products. With the heavy demands added in caring for the millions who have been freed from German oppression, the Department of Agriculture and the Food Administration are justified in our every action of stimulation of hog production. In the coming year the greatest world shortage will be in fats, and pork will help to save this situation. The efficiency of the policy of stimulated production has built up a this country supplies which will enable us to supply a very large part of the fat deficiency of the world. In fact there must be a shortage in Europe, due largely to limited refrigeration capacity. All freezer ships available, however, will be filled by America, Argentina and Australia. The contribution made by the producers of this country to the war program as applying particularly to animal food products is illustrated by the following:

Reports compiled by the U. S. Department of Agriculture indicate an increase in cattle of 10,238,000 head and 12,441,000 hogs. These figures were compiled to January 1 last.

In this period there was a decrease in sheep of 819,000 head. The indications are that this decrease will show an increase, according to recent reports.

Since January 1 unofficial information indicates an increase in hogs of not less than 8 per cent, and not more than 15 per cent, as compared with one year ago, with an increase in the average weight.

Following the request of the U. S. Food Administration for an increase in hog production for marketing in the fall of 1918 and the spring of 1919 the increase may yield not less than 1,600,000,000 pounds more of pork products than were available last year. Without this increase the shipping program arranged by Mr. Hoover regarding animal food products would have been impossible.

The dressed hog products during the three months ending September 30, 1917, amounted to 903,172,000 pounds, while for the corresponding months of 1918 the dressed hog products totaled 2,775,800,000, an increase of over 374,000,000 pounds for the quarter.

During the same period for 1917 the records of inspected slaughter of dressed beef showed 1,283,000,000 pounds as against 1,454,000,000 pounds or the three month period ending September 1, this year.

Our food Gospel
eat less
serve less
waste nothing

America's Pledge of Food Gave Heart to the Allies In Their Darkest Hour

Whatever is necessary America will send. That was America's pledge to the interallied food council. And because the American food army had hitherto made good their: took heart and went forward.

Farm enterprise and much soft corn increased pork supplies, food conservation increased exports—total shipments doubled.

FAITH JUSTIFIED BY EVENTS.

I do not believe that drastic force need be applied to maintain economic distribution and sane use of supplies by the great majority of American people, and I have learned a deep and abiding faith in the intelligence of the average American business man, whose aid we anticipate and depend on to remedy the evils developed by the war.—Herbert Hoover, August 10, 1917.

Patriot's Plenty
Buy less - Serve less
Eat only 3 meals a day
Waste nothing
Your guests will cheerfully share simple fare
Be Proud to be a food saver

CELEBRATION

Some men never attend church, never contribute to its financial support and go on that way through life as though they were under no obligation whatever to do so. The Bible mentions them when it says, "God is not in their thoughts."

Suppose all were that way and there was not a church in Melrose—no church influences, Sunday schools, no ministers to preach, no religious services, and that all such were prohibited here. What would be the result?

The good religious men would move their families to some other place, and no other of that kind would come here. There would be no religious influences to throw around the children, no such influences to curb the passions of men. The public school would dwindle away and die. Business grow dull, as men would not come to trade where there were there were no religious spirit in the community. Land would decrease in value, and grass grow on the streets of the town. Prospectors would pass this place up, as no man would buy land and settle his family and rear his children where there were no religious influences. There would be no market for products of the farm, and no trading, because men are afraid to trust each other where there are no good influences to restrain their grasping natures. None but those of totally irreligious beliefs would live here.

The children of those who did live here would grow up to be the wickedest and vilest ever known because it requires good influences for the best people in the world to keep them good. Outlaws would sweep out from this community as the children grew up. Not a decent girl in all the land would even attend a social or common dance here for fear of insult and injury. A ban would be placed upon the price of land the price of farm products and even the price of virtue. Sunday banished from the minds and hearts of men; God forgotten—nothing but selfishness, greed and unholy thoughts. These are but a few of the awful results of "No Church."

Then, what is the church worth barring all the great religious awakening, the means of grace to the lost soul, and the establishment of an honest conscience?

1.—It brings to the community a high standard of Christian manhood and womanhood.

2.—It provides better public schools for the education of the children.

3.—It enhances the value of land and makes both city and rural property more desirable.

4.—It provides a Sunday school and church influence for the children, who otherwise have no such influences in their home life as well as for those who have these home influences.

5.—It secures a better citizenship for the community.

6.—It produces a better market for the produce of the unbeliever, as well as the believer.

7.—It provides all that makes life worth living, and produces the most tender and respectful commemoration of the dead.

8.—It is the author of all charitable institutions, and makes life sweeter by recognizing the "Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man."

Then why do men receive these benefits at the hands of the church, and refuse to help in its maintenance and encourage, by their presence, its usefulness?

Does it occur to you that such a character is grateful for the blessings he constantly receives from this institution?—B. H. Oxford, in Melrose Messenger.

CHRISTMAS EPIGRAMS

- ¶ It is a wise Santa who keeps his whiskers away from the candles.
- ¶ Better broken toys than broken hearts.
- ¶ Never look a gift in the price tag.
- ¶ Many a man puts on long white whiskers and thinks he looks like Santa Claus when he looks more like a goat—and perhaps he is.
- ¶ One thing they missed during the Spanish Inquisition—Christmas cigars!
- ¶ Shopping done in time is the noblest work of woman!
- ¶ A Christmas gift by any other name doesn't cost half as much.
- ¶ A gift in the hand is worth two in the postoffice.
- ¶ Many a man gets a girl under the mistletoe only to find himself, a little later, under her thumb.
- ¶ A pound of steak to a poor man is worth a ton of holiday greetings.

In the Christmas Handicap

Mere Man Describes How Friend Wife Wins by an Eyelash

HERE is no use in my going home tonight," observed the tall, sad man as he pushed the dice box from him and accepted the consolation cigar which the tobaccoist vouchsafed him.

"There will be nothing doing the way of cats. My wife hasn't time to cook. She's entered in the Christmas handicap. You talk about the six-day races where fellows ride around and around until they drop dead or go nuts! Why, the Christmas handicap has that kind of an endurance race skun a mile!

"My wife gives one hundred and eleven presents on December 24 and 25. The race is between her and Christmas, and, believe me, Christmas is coming along pretty fast when it comes to the last lap of the race during December. But my wife is coming along pretty rapidly, too. Take it from me, those needles of hers click so fast that they sound like fifty revolutions to the minute, and she hits on all six, too, and she leaves a string of pink and blue double bowknots, kutelets, picos and fourlets in the wake of those needles that would astonish you!

"Tick, tick," says the clock, and "tickerty, tickerty, tick, tick," says the needle and there's a pair of embroidered socks, an embroidered handkerchief or a foot towel, a sweater, a cap, a dolly, a lamp shade, a photo holder or most any old thing.

"Bingo! It's December 22! Bingo, bingo, bingo-o-o, go the knitting needles and crochet hooks and the tating shuttles, leaving a string of garments in their wake.

"December 23 jumps up on the calendar, and whizz! bang! zipp! go the needles, the paint brushes, the branding irons and the stencils. And swish, swish! on comes the scenery, the menagerie, or whatever she has to evolve.

"December 24 swings into the stretch. Now Christmas is here. They approach the wire.

"Now, I don't know whether my wife has worked all night or not, but she has brought her string pretty well up abreast of the times. But some of these presents have to be delivered. My wife grabs a handful of them and starts out to deliver them. None of them is finished yet, but she finishes them on the way.

"Clang, clang! goes the street car. Buzz-z-z! goes the current and away we go! But bib, bib, bob go the finishing touches on the presents. My wife arrives at a place where a present is to be delivered and rings the bell. Bip, bip, bip, bip go the needles. Five yards to make and the maid is on the way to the door.

"Creak-k! The servant opens the door. Swish-h! the present is completed. Thud! My wife drops it into the box. Swish, in goes my wife's card, and rattle, on goes some hollyhied wrapping paper and my wife wins by an eyelash!"

At Christmas be merry and thankful withal And feast thy poor neighbors, the great with the small. —Thomas Lusser.



By courtesy of H. C. Temple, Cleveland Plain Dealer.

"OO! GRAN'PA, WE FORGOT SOMPIN'!"

Rabbits WANTED!

Jacks or Cotton-Tails
REMOVE ENTRAILS
WE BUY
Furs, Hides, Cream and Poultry.
BRING US YOUR PRODUCE
Carl Moss

NAZARENE CHURCH

There will be services every Sunday at the Presbyterian church. We extend a welcome to everybody to attend these services.
Sunday School.....10 A. M.
Preaching.....11 A. M.
Young People's Society...3 P. M.
Preaching.....6:30 P. M.
Prayer meeting...Wednesday eve.
A. K. SCOTT, Pastor.

THE DANFORTH WAGON YARD

formerly the Boucher yard. Will appreciate all business. We handle feed of all kinds.
DRIVE IN
M. O. Danforth, Mgr.

IF YOU HAVE ANYTHING TO SELL, OR WISH TO BUY OR TRADE FOR SOMETHING, LET IT BE KNOWN THROUGH THE NEWS WANT COLUMN. THAT IS THE SURE WAY.

ARMY DEMOBILIZATION

The War Department has just designated, for use in connection with the demobilization of troops, twenty-eight camps, which are located as follows:

- Beauregard, Louisiana.
- Devens, Massachusetts.
- Dodge, Iowa.
- Grant, Illinois.
- Gordon, Georgia.
- Hancock, Georgia.
- Lee, Virginia.
- Logan, Texas.
- Custer, Michigan.
- Funston, Kansas.
- Greenleaf, Georgia.
- Kearney, California.
- Meade, Maryland.
- Sevier, South Carolina.
- Taylor, Kentucky.
- MacArthur, Texas.
- Pike, Arkansas.
- Shelby, Mississippi.
- Sherman, Ohio.
- Green, North Carolina.
- Wadsworth, South Carolina.
- Jackson, South Carolina.
- Bowie, Texas.
- Travis, Texas.
- Humphreys, Virginia.
- Lewis, Washington.
- McClellan, Alabama.
- Sheridan, Alabama.

The policy has also been announced of sending troops, which are about to be demobilized, to the camps nearest their homes, transfers being made of individual men from one point to another for such purposes as the occasion requires.

During the war rush a shipload of soldiers or supplies sailed for France every quarter of an hour. A fifteen minute service to the world's battlefield beats all communication records ever heard of. Shows what business and system can do when they put their heads together.

It is not too late to have some calling cards printed for Her Christmas present.

Farm Loans

MONEY READY WHEN PAPERS ARE SIGNED

Coe Howard

Office at Security State Bank

News want ads bring results.

H. V. THOMPSON
Dray and Transfer
Phone 11
Calls Promptly Answered

Agent for Glovis Steam Laundry



DON'T LET YOUR SUBSCRIPTION EXPIRE FOR THE PORTALES VALLEY NEWS

THE PAPER WITH THE LARGEST CIRCULATION IN THE COUNTY.

THE PAPER THAT PUBLISHED THE COMPLETE LIST OF SEPTEMBER REGISTRANTS.

THE PAPER THAT PRINTED A COPY OF THE NEW BALLOT.

THE PAPER THAT PUBLISHED THE COMPLETE ELECTION RETURNS OF ROOSEVELT COUNTY BY PRECINCTS, FROM SURVEYOR TO UNITED STATES SENATOR.

NOTE THE EXPIRATION DATE ON THE PAPER OR WRAPPER.



DOSS-SHELBY

The Doss school is expecting to have more new scholars before long.

Samuel Grove and Charles Salter are attending school at Doss now.

Mrs. E. V. Salter came from Clovis Saturday to visit her family until Monday.

Jerry Moore was over in the Doss neighborhood trading last week.

Mr. Greer of the Macy community has moved into the Doss neighborhood.

Mr. Honeycutt was over in the Doss neighborhood last week, buying cows.

Clyde Bostiek and Charles Salter spent the day with Samuel Grove, last Sunday a week ago.

A pie supper was given at Shell by last Friday night for the benefit of a Christmas tree. Charlie Bostiek was auctioneer; receipts were ten dollars or more.

We can handle your sale bill in short order. With the New linotype, we can print them so you can put up bills going home.

Health About Gone

Many thousands of women suffering from womanly trouble, have been benefited by the use of Cardui, the woman's tonic, according to letters we receive, similar to this one from Mrs. Z. V. Spell, of Hayne, N. C. "I could not stand on my feet, and just suffered terribly," she says. "As my suffering was so great, and he had tried other remedies, Dr. — had us get Cardui. . . I began improving, and it cured me. I know, and my doctor knows, what Cardui did for me, for my nerves and health were about gone."

TAKE

CARDUI

The Woman's Tonic

She writes further: "I am in splendid health . . . can do my work. I feel I owe it to Cardui, for I was in dreadful condition." If you are nervous, run-down and weak, or suffer from headache, backache, etc., every month, try Cardui. Thousands of women praise this medicine for the good it has done them, and many physicians who have used Cardui successfully with their women patients, for years, endorse this medicine. Think what it means to be in splendid health, like Mrs. Spell. Give Cardui a trial.

All Druggists

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GOOD NEWS

A Lady in Texas Tells How She Regained and Keeps Her Health.

Every household should have at hand all the time a dependable remedy with which to fight catarrh and catarrhal conditions.

The experience of Mrs. M. E. Berkley, No. 1822 27th St., Galveston, Tex., is not unique, but her letter does carry a vigorous "safety first" suggestion to every American home: "I wish to tell you of the good Peruna has been to me. I have used it five years and have never found it other than satisfactory as a remedy for colds, catarrh, indigestion and many other ailments. I am never without Peruna."

Coughs, colds, catarrh, grip and influenza cannot safely be neglected. Any disease due to catarrhal inflammation of the mucous lining, whether of the nasal passages, throat, lungs, stomach, bowels, kidneys, bladder or other organs, is to be feared. Catarrh is always a menace to the general health and on account of its prevalence must be fought and fought hard all the time.

Thousands place their entire dependence upon the well known time-tried remedy, Peruna. Dr. Hartman began selling Peruna for catarrh forty-five years ago. Try Peruna first and avoid possible disappointment and expense. Tablet or liquid form. Sold everywhere.

No Shortage.

A few days ago a physician of Winchester gave a small box of liver pills to one of his patients. The pills were only partly used and a few days later the patient's wife discovered that her four-year-old daughter had found the pills and eaten them. Frantic with fear she gave the child all the milk she had in the house and then excitedly ran to the telephone and called for the physician.

"Is this Doctor?" asked the mother. "Yes," came the reply. "Doctor, hurry to our house. Helen has eaten the rest of the box of pills you gave Joe; hurry! I have given her all the milk I have."

"Don't worry; come up town and I will give you some more," replied the doctor.—Indianapolis News.

The kangaroo is a healthy-looking animal, but it is nearly always on its last legs.

There is no parting so bitter as the parting of a quinine capsule just as you are in the act of swallowing it.

Sometimes what is regarded as a plous life is merely a contemptible one.

Plenty of exercise, fresh air, regular hours—is all the prescription you need to avoid influenza—unless through neglect or otherwise, a cold gets you. Then take—at once

CASCARA QUININE advertisement with logo.

Standard cold remedy for 30 years—in tablet form—safe, sure, no opiates—breaks up a cold in 24 hours—relieves grip in 3 days. Money back if it fails. The genuine box has a Red top with Mr. Hill's picture. At All Drug Stores.

Every Woman Wants Paxtine ANTISEPTIC POWDER advertisement.

Are your Eyes Sore? Mitchell Eye Salve advertisement.

PARKER'S HAIR BALM advertisement.

Cuticura Stops Itching and Saves the Hair advertisement.

Get your Hides, Wool and Furs advertisement.

Irritating Coughs advertisement.

PISO'S advertisement.



CAROLYN AT THE CORNERS

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JOSEPH STAGG IS FILLED WITH DISMAY WHEN HE LEARNS CAROLYN HAS BEEN LEFT TO HIS CARE.

Synopsis.—Her father and mother reported lost at sea when the Dunraven, on which they had sailed for Europe, was sunk, Carolyn May Cameron—Hannah's Carolyn—is sent from New York to her bachelor uncle, Joseph Stagg, at the Corners. The reception given her by her uncle is not very enthusiastic. Carolyn is also chilled by the stern demeanor of Aunty Rose, Uncle Joe's housekeeper.

CHAPTER II—Continued. The window was open and she went to it and looked out. A breath of honeysuckle blew in. Then, below, on the porch, she heard the uneasy movements of Prince. And he whined.

"Oh, poor Princey! He doesn't know what's become of me," thought Carolyn May. Downstairs, in the great kitchen, Aunty Rose was stepping back and forth, from table to sink, from sink to dresser, from dresser to pantry. As the daylight faded she lit the lamp which swung from the ceiling and gave light to all the room.

It would have been impossible for the wisest person to guess what were the thoughts in Aunty Rose's mind. A glad little yelp from the dog tied to the rail of the porch sounded suddenly. Even Aunty Rose could not mistake that cry of welcome and she knew very little about dogs—to their credit, at least. She had heard no other suspicious sound, but now she crossed the room with firm tread and opened the porch door. Yes, a little white figure was down there hugging the whining mongrel.

Carolyn May's fearful face was raised from Prince's rough neck. "Oh, Aunty Rose! Oh, Aunty Rose!" she sobbed. "I just had to say good night to somebody. Edna's mother came and heard our prayers and tucked us into my bed after my papa and mamma went away. So it didn't seem so bad."

"But tonight—why! tonight there isn't anybody cares whether I go to bed or not! But Prince! Prince, he knows just how—how empty I feel!" "You would better come in now and wash your face and hands again before going to bed. That dog has been lapping them with his tongue."

Sobbing, the little girl obeyed. Then she would have gone back up the stairs without a word had not Aunty Rose spoken. "Come here, Carolyn May," she said quite as sternly as before.

The little girl approached her. The old lady sat in one of the straightest of the straight-backed chairs, her hands in her comfortable lap. The wet blue eyes were raised to her composed face timidly.

"If you wish to say your prayers here, before going upstairs, you may, Carolyn May," she said.

"Oh, may I?" gasped the little girl. She dropped her hands into Aunty Rose's lap. Somehow they found those larger, comforting hands and cuddled into them as the little girl sank to her knees on the braided mat.

If the simple "Now I lay me" was familiar to Aunty Rose's ear from long ago she gave no sign. When the earnest little voice added to the formal supplication a desire for the blessing of "Uncle Joe and Aunty Rose" the latter's countenance retained its composure.

She asked a blessing upon all her friends, including the Prices, and even Prince. But it was after that she put the timid question to Aunty Rose that proved to be almost too much for that good woman's studied calm.

"Aunty Rose, do you s'pose I might ask God to bless my mamma and papa, even if they are lost at sea? Somehow I don't think it would seem so lonesome if I could keep that in my prayer."

CHAPTER III.

"Well—She'll Be a Nuisance." Mr. Joseph Stagg, going down to his store, past the home and carpenter shop of Jedidiah Parlow, at which he did not even look, finally came to his destination in a very brown study. So disturbed had he been by the arrival of his little niece that he forgot to question and cross-question young Chetwood Gormley regarding the possible customers that had been in the store during his absence.

"And I tell you what I think, mother," Chet said, with his mouth full, at supper that evening. "I think her coming's going to bring about changes. Yes, ma'am!"

Mrs. Gormley was a faded little woman—a widow—who went out sewing for better-to-do people in Sunrise Cove. She naturally thought her boy Chetwood a great deal smarter than other people thought him.

"You know, mother," he said, on this evening of the arrival of Carolyn May, "I never have seen any great chance to rise, workin' for Mr. Joseph Stagg."



If the Simple "Now I Lay Me" Was Familiar to Aunty Rose's Ear She Gave No Sign.

ware merchant's mind. Mr. Stagg sat in his back office poring over the letter written by his brother-in-law's lawyer friend, a part of which read:

From the above recital of facts you will plainly see, being a man of business yourself, that Mr. Cameron's financial affairs were in a much worse condition when he went away than he himself dreamed of.

I immediately looked up the Stone-bridge Building and Loan association. It is even more moribund than the papers state. The fifteen hundred dollars Mr. Cameron put into it from that time might just as well have been dropped into the sea.

You know he had only his salary on the Morning Beacon. They were rather decent to him, when they saw his health breaking down, to offer him the chance of going to the Mediterranean as correspondent.

It rather cramped Mr. Cameron's immediate resources for your sister to go with him, and he drew ahead on his expense and salary account. I know that Mrs. Cameron feared to allow him to go alone across the ocean. He was really in a bad way, but she proposed to come back immediately on the Dunraven if he improved on the voyage across.

Their means really did not allow of their taking the child; the steamship company would not bear of a half fare for her. She is a nice little girl, and my wife would have been glad to keep her longer, but in the end she would have to go to you, as, I understand, there are no other relatives.

Of course the flat is here, and the furniture. If you do not care to come on to attend to the matter yourself, I will do the best I can to dispose of either or both. Mr. Cameron had paid a year's rent in advance—rather an unwise thing, I thought—and the term has still ten months to run. He did it so that his wife, on her return from abroad, might have no worry on her mind. Perhaps the flat might be sublet, furnished, to advantage. You might state your pleasure regarding this.

You will see, by the copy of your brother-in-law's will that I enclose, that you have been left in full and sole possession and guardianship of his property and affairs, including Carolyn May.

And if somebody had shipped him a crocodile from the Nile Joseph Stagg would have felt little more at a loss as to what disposal to make of the creature than he felt now regarding his little niece.

"Well—she'll be a nuisance; an awful nuisance," was his final comment, with a mountainous sigh.

Thus far, Aunty Rose Kennedy's attitude towards the little stranger had been the single pleasant disappointment. Mr. Stagg had experienced. Aunty Rose was an autocrat. Joseph Stagg had never been so comfortable in his life as since Mrs. Kennedy had taken up the management of his home. But he stood in great awe of her.

He put the lawyer's letter in the safe. For once he was unable to respond to a written communication promptly. Although he wore that band of crepe on his arm he could not actually realize the fact that his sister Hannah was dead.

Any time these fifteen years he might have run down to New York to see her. First she had worked in the newspaper office as a stenographer. Then she had married John Lewis Cameron and they had gone immediately to housekeeping.

Cameron was a busy man; he held a "desk job" on the paper. Vacations had been hard to get. And before long Hannah had written about her baby—"Hannah's Carolyn."

After the little one's arrival there seemed less chance than before for the city family to get up to Sunrise Cove. But at any time he might have gone to them. If Joseph Stagg had shut up his store for a week and gone to New York, it would not have brought the world to an end.

Nor was it because he was stingy that he had not done this. No, he was no miser. But he was fairly buried in his business. And there was no "look up" in that dim little office in the back of the hardware store.

On this evening he closed the store later than usual and set out for The Corners slowly. To tell the truth, Mr. Stagg rather shrank from arriving home. The strangeness of having a child in the house disturbed his tranquillity.

The kitchen only was lighted when he approached; therefore he was reassured. He knew Hannah's Carolyn must have been put to bed long since. It was dark under the trees and only long familiarity with the walk enabled him to reach the back porch noiselessly. Then it was that something scrambled up in the dark and the roar of a dog's barking made Joseph Stagg leap back in fright.

"Drat that mongrel!" he ejaculated, remembering Prince. The kitchen door opened, revealing Aunty Rose's ample figure. Prince whined sheepishly and dropped his abbreviated tail, going to lie down again at the extreme end of his leash and blinking his eyes at Mr. Stagg.

"The critter's as savage as a bear!" grumbled the hardware merchant. "He is a good watchdog; you must allow that, Joseph Stagg," Aunty Rose said calmly.

The hardware dealer gasped again. It would be hard to say which had started him the most—the dog or Aunty Rose's manner.

CHAPTER IV.

Aunty Rose Unbends. There never was a lovelier place for a little girl—to say nothing of a dog—to play in than the yard about the Stagg homestead; and this Carolyn May confided to Aunty Rose one forenoon after her arrival at The Corners.

Behind the house the yard sloped down to a broad, calmly flowing brook. Here the goose and duck pens were fenced off, for Aunty Rose would not allow the web-footed fowl to wander at large, as did the other poultry.

It was difficult for Prince to learn that none of those feathered folk were to be molested. There was a wide-branching oak tree on a knoll overlooking the brook. Around its trunk Uncle Joe had built a seat. Carolyn May found this a grand place to sit and dream, while Prince lay at her feet.

When they saw Aunty Rose in her sunbonnet going toward the fenced-in garden they both jumped up and bounded down the slope after her. It was just here at the corner of the garden fence that Carolyn May had her first adventure.

Prince, of course, disturbed the serenity of the poultry. The hens went shrieking one way, the guinea fowl lifted up their voices in angry chatter, the turkey hens scurried to cover, but the turkey cock, General Bolivar, a big, white Holland fowl, was not to have his dignity disturbed and his courage impugned by any four-footed creature with waggish ears and the stump of a tail.

Carolyn's sunny disposition begins to have its effect upon Aunty Rose, with results that are amazing to Uncle Joe. You will enjoy the next installment.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Those Dear Girls. Nell—"I understand May Cutting remarked that I looked so much like Miss Hoamley-Ritch, isn't that awful?" Belle—"Yes, she's always knocking Miss Hoamley-Ritch, because she's jealous of her."

Earliest Guide Book. The earliest guide book printed in English is "Instructions for Forraire Travel," published in 1642 by James Howell, a famous traveler of that day.

WRIGLEYS

All Now in Pink Wrappers

To save tin foil for Uncle Sam, WRIGLEYS is now all wrapped in pink paper and hermetically sealed in wax:

- 1. The tangy flavor of mint
2. The luscious different flavor
3. The soothing flavor of peppermint



All in pink-end packages and all sealed air-tight. Be Sure to get WRIGLEYS because

The Flavor Lasts!

Everything Gone. At a friend's dinner table little Harold was told to wait as there was no room for him. Spying a dish of chicken he whispered: "Mother, there might be no chicken left." His mother replied: "Of course there will. They will save some for manners."

Later a man reached for the last piece of chicken and Harold cried out: "Mother, Mr. Smith took manners and it."

How's This? We offer \$100.00 for any case of catarrh that cannot be cured by HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE. HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE is taken internally and acts through the blood in the mucous surfaces of the system. Sold by druggists for over forty years. Price 75c. Testimonials free. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio.

Our faults are soon forgotten—if known only to ourselves.

Now, when you are about to try your hand at the Christmas knick-knacks, why not surprise yourself by using

HELIOTROPE FLOUR advertisement with logo and text.

and receive the especial compliments of all who enjoy your Christmas table?

—Ask Your Grocer

Oklahoma City Mill & Elevator Co., Oklahoma City

WINTERSMITH'S CHILL TONIC advertisement.

Meltonia Toilet Preparations Household and Culinary Requisites are of the highest quality. Women everywhere make an independent living selling them. We will give the agency for these goods to a woman in this territory and teach her the business without any cost to her. Only reliable women need apply. The Meltonia Company Established 1898 63 E. Adams St., Chicago, Ill.

Dr. Tutt's Liver advertisement.

MANY NEW BARGAINS IN OUR ANNUAL MID-WINTER CLEARANCE

ONLY FIVE DAYS MORE SAVE MONEY NOW!

SALE

Please Remember! This Special Sale Closes Tuesday, Dec. 24th

..JOYCE-PRUIT CO..

Hundreds and Hundreds of people have wisely taken advantage of this Money Saving Mid-Winter Clearance Sale of Dry Goods, Shoes, Clothing, Ladies' Ready-to-Wear, Etc. We invite and urge you to share the Bargains of the next five days, These Reduced Prices are for either **CASH OR CREDIT.**

BIG SALE OF MEN'S SUITS
This includes our entire Kirschbaum Line. "All Wool and No Compromise."

\$40.00 Suits, Mid-Winter Sale Price	\$34.75
\$35.00 Suits, Mid-Winter Sale Price	27.50
\$30.00 Suits, Mid-Winter Sale Price	25.00
\$25.00 Suits, Mid-Winter Sale Price	19.75
\$20.00 Suits, Mid-Winter Sale Price	14.75
\$15.00 Suits, Mid-Boys' \$10.00 Suits	12.50
Boys' \$8.50 Suits	\$8.00
Boys' \$6.00 Suits	\$7.00
Boys' \$5.00 Suits	\$5.00

LACE CURTAINS, 35c EACH
Special assortment of Lace Curtains, worth from \$3.00 to \$5.00 per pair, broken lots but good values. Special Clearance Price, each **35c**

Mid-Winter Shoe Clearance REAL SHOE BARGAINS

SCUFFER SCHOOL SHOES—\$2.35
Misses and Children's Genuine "Play Day" School Shoes. Built like Scuffers, but with welt sole which can be half soled.

Sizes 12 to 2, now	\$2.35
Sizes 8½ to 11½, now	\$2.25

SEE THESE SCHOOL SHOES AND SAVE MONEY

MEN'S GUN METAL SHOES, \$2.95
Both in button and lace, Black Gun Metal Calf Skin, worth \$4.50, now **\$2.95**

MEN'S WORK SHOES, \$2.85
50 Pairs of Men's Work Shoes, both in Tan and Black, worth from \$4.00 to \$5.00, all at one price, your choice **\$2.85**

LADIES' VICI KID SHOE, \$2.35
Black Vici Kid Button, Plain Toe, Military Heel, sold at \$4.00, Clearance Price **\$2.35**

Every Shoe in the house not herein listed, including our finest "Florsheim's" for men and "J. & K.'s" for women, will be sold during the next five days, at a discount of 15 PER CENT.



LADIES' SUITS, COATS AND DRESSES
— Every one a new one. Every one on sale in five big lots.

All \$15.00 Coats, Suits and Dresses at	\$10.00
All \$20.00 Coats, Suits and Dresses at	13.75
All \$25.00 Coats, Suits and Dresses at	17.50
All \$30.00 Coats, Suits and Dresses at	22.50
All \$40.00 Coats, Suits and Dresses at	27.75

HOSIERY BARGAINS

Children's 35c Hose, now	23c
Ladies 35c Hose, now	23c
Men's 35c Hose, now	23c
Ladies' \$2.00 Silk Hose, black, white and colors	\$1.55
Ladies' 50c Silk Lisle, black	35c
3 pair for	\$1.00
Men's 75c Pure Silk Hose	55c
Men's 50c Silk Lisle	3 for \$1.00

UNUSUAL SALE OF MEN'S WOOL SHIRTS
An enormous stock of Finest Wool Shirts and an Extra Deep Cut in the Prices.

\$6.00 Wool Shirts, Mid-Winter Clearance Price	\$4.25
\$5.00 Wool Shirts, Mid-Winter Clearance Price	3.85
\$4.00 Wool Shirts, Mid-Winter Clearance Price	3.15
\$3.50 Wool Shirts, Mid-Winter Clearance Price	2.85
\$2.50 Wool Shirts, Mid-Winter Clearance Price	1.85
\$2.00 Wool Shirts, Mid-Winter Clearance Price	1.35
\$1.50 Wool Shirts, Mid-Winter Clearance Price	75c

HERE IS A REAL WOOL SHIRT OPPORTUNITY

A SALE OF MEN'S DRESS SHIRTS
550 Shirts, chosen from our regular stock of "ARROW" and "PERFECTO" Shirts, all sizes and patterns, worth from \$1.50 to \$2.50 at One Special **95c**

Men!! "A Word to the Wise," High Grade Shirts at 95 Cents.

OVERALLS—\$1.50
Best quality "Buck Brand" Indigo Blue Denim Overalls, worth \$2.50, "Save a Dollar" **\$1.50**

\$2.50 Government Khaki Pants, for Five Days at **2.15**

Men's \$3.50 MoleSkin Pants on sale now at **2.15**

READ THESE SPECIALS NOW ON SALE!

Linen Sheeting, worth \$2.50, now	\$1.65
Crash Toweling, worth 20c, now	12c
10 Ounce Canvas Gloves, now	10c
Best Table Oil Cloth, now	32c
3 lb. Quilt size Cotton Batts, now	85c
40c Yard Wide Percale, now	27c
Men's \$2.00 Union Suits, now	\$1.35
Ladies' \$2.00 Union Suits, now	\$1.35
Men's Heavy, All Wool Socks, now	55c
Best 35c Outing Flannel per yard	19c

BATH TOWEL BARGAIN—25c
A Bleached Turkish Towel, extra large size, worth 85c per pair, go during this Clearance **25c**

FLANNELETTE AT 1/2 PRICE 15c Per Yard
Big line of all colors and patterns, go for Five Days, **15c**

GINGHAMS—22c YARD
The best on the market. 115 Bolts, worth 35c and 40c a yard, now on Sale at **22c**

LADIES' SILK HOSE—\$1.55
Pure Thread Silk, Seam back, best quality, black, white and colors, \$2.00 value, to **\$1.55**

Extra Special! YARD WIDE BROWN DOMESTIC—15c PER YARD
This is a First Quality Standard L. L. Muslin, a regular 30c quality going at HALF PRICE **15c PER YARD**

27 Inch PERCALE, 10c Yard
At half the price of Calico, this Percale in Gingham Patterns, to go for Five Days Only **10c**

BUY HERE! SAVE YOUR MONEY! JOIN THE RED CROSS!

Notions

Best School Tablets	3c
Best Brass Pins	3c
O. N. T. Thread, per spool	4c
Wire Hair Pins, per box	4c
Pearl Buttons, Good Quality, per dozen	3c
Shinola Polish, black and tan, per box	6c
Gilt Edge Polish	17c
Shoe Laces, per pair	4c
Tooth Brushes, 15c grade, each	9c
RIT Dye Soap, flesh, pink and yellow, per cake	7½c
Shinola Shoe Polishing Outfit, each	40c
10c Crochet Thread, white	2 for 15c
15c Wastic	10c
Face Chamois, each	1c
Jergens' Best Talcum Powder	10c
15c Hair Curling Iron	10c
5c C. M. C. Tatting Thread, colors	3 for 10c
25c Steel Knitting Needles, per set	15c

Blanket Sale
Both Wool and Cotton at Money Saving Prices

\$15.00 Oregon City Wool Blankets go during this Clearance Sale at	\$10.00
\$12.50 Oregon City Wool Blankets, Mid-Winter Clearance Price	8.75
\$9.00 Wool Blankets go during this Mid-Winter Clearance Sale at	6.75
\$7.50 Wool Blankets go during this Mid-Winter Clearance Sale at	6.50
\$5.00 Cotton Blankets, Clearance Price	\$3.85
\$4.50 Cotton Blankets, Clearance Price	\$3.35
\$3.50 Cotton Blankets, Clearance Price	\$2.85

JOYCE-PRUIT COMPANY

DRY GOODS DEPT. "RELIABLE MERCHANDISE"

Sale of Toilet Requisites
PRICES SPEAK LOUDER THAN WORDS. NOW IS YOUR CHANCE TO BUY YOUR TOILET ARTICLES AT PRICES YOU WILL NOT HAVE AGAIN SOON.

35c Jergens' Lotion	25c
25c Woodbury's Face Cream	2 for 25c
60c Sempre Giovine, per cake	45c
15c Creme-Oil Soap	7½c
15c Jergens Talcum Powder, per box	10c
15c Colgate's Toilet Soaps	12½c
60c Melba Rouge	39c
10c Vaseline	7½c
25c Pond's Vanishing Cream	20c
35c Pompeian Night Cream	25c
35c Colgate's Cosmetic Lotion	20c
50c Nadine Face Powder	40c
25c Colgate's or Woodbury's Shaving Stick	20c
65c JavaRice Face Powder	45c