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OF GENERAL INTEREST

ITEMS STOLEN FROM COLUMNS OF EXCHANGES

MARENGO MAY PAVE MORE

Warrants Have Been Sworn Out Charging Rockford Woman with Keeping a Common Gaming House

Otto Holtgren of Hampshire has given up his position as manager of "The Spot" clothing store and will enter business for himself. Mr. Holtgren is a son-in-law of Chas. Corson of this place.

James McAllister, a member of a well known Sycamore family and formerly of Belvidere, has fallen heir to a fortune estimated at anywhere from \$60,000 to \$80,000 by the death of an aunt in the west.

Wm. Haremski, a farmer residing in Bureau county, accidentally shot and killed his little seven-year-old daughter, Celia, while shooting at a rabbit. The full charge struck the little girl in the face, scattering all over the right side.

It cost a little less than \$15,000 to pave with brick the Main street of Marengo, the brick being laid on a solid concrete bed. There were 7000 square yards of surface in the job. There is now a movement on foot to pave other streets.

At an auction sale in the rooms of the Chicago Numismatic Society last week one 1884 trade dollar was offered for sale. It was bid in by J. Brennen of DeKalb, who thought he had a rare bargain for \$280. Only five of the coins are in existence, so far as known.

That Mrs. William Betts of Rockford was proprietress of a poker den and sold whiskey as a side line were the charges in warrants sworn to, by William Aman, "Keeping a common gaming house" and "selling liquor in anti-saloon territory" was the official wording of the warrants on which Mrs. Betts was arrested Sunday night.

Remus Potts was acquitted of the murder of Curtis B. Savage at Rockford Friday evening the jury returning a verdict of not guilty. Potts had been placed on trial for manslaughter. The case was one of those lamentable affairs where a quarrel has led to the killing of a man, the unfortunate victim losing his life.

There is consumed in the United States approximately 10,000,000 pounds of butter per day and there is about 40,000,000 pounds, owned by 4,000 individuals, in storage. Ninety per cent of the butter that is produced daily is consumed within a week, and the storage supply wouldn't last more than four days if the production of butter was prevented.

Validity of the term "Elgin butter" and jurisdiction of the Elgin Board of Trade are questioned in the attachment by federal authorities of a carload of butter manufactured at South Wayne, Wis., and shipped to Uniontown, Pa. Inspector I. Young of the Chicago department of the national pure food commission contends that the label "Elgin" misrepresents facts.

Henry Decker, the well known South Grove farmer, escaped death on Wednesday morning of last week by what seemed a miracle. He attempted to drive across the track when a train was flying through Esmond at a speed of 40 or 50 miles an hour. The wagon was struck and almost totally destroyed, and Mr. Decker was thrown out. He was painfully bruised, but strange to say was not seriously injured. The horses escaped.

LITIGATION AT END

Appellate Court Decides Case of Brown vs. Millard

In December 30, 1890, Harriet F. and E. B. Millard gave their joint note to Lizzie M. Brown for \$500.00, bearing interest, and due one year after date, and to secure the payment gave a mortgage on real estate, the title to which was in Mrs. Millard, and the premises were occupied by herself, her husband and their family as a home-stand.

The larger portion of the money went to pay a prior mortgage on the same premises, and the balance went to the personal credit of the husband.

Two indorsements on the note showed that the interest had been paid to December 30th, 1896. Paid by E. B. Millard.

In the meantime the bank of Brown & Brown, had become the legal owners of the note and mortgage.

Mrs. Millard died in 1906. No payments having been made on the note for nearly ten years.

On December 14th, 1906, a bill was filed in the circuit court of DeKalb county by Lizzie M. Holroyd, to foreclose the mortgage E. B. Millard and the heirs at law of Harriet F. Millard, who had succeeded to her title to the real estate, were made parties defendant.

To this bill the solicitors for the adult defendants filed a plea of the ten years statute of limitations, and E. B. Millard denied making payments of interest.

The law would bar a foreclosure of the mortgage at this time, unless a new promise to pay had been made, or a payment had been made on same within ten years prior to filing the bill to foreclose the mortgage.

Counsel for defendants claimed that because no payments on the note had been made by Mrs. Millard, nor a new promise to pay same, made by her, within ten years, the statute of limitations would bar a foreclosure of the mortgage against her and her heirs at law.

For complainant it was contended that the payments of interest made by the husband, had kept the note valid and thus prevented the running of the statute of limitations, as to him, and that when the premises were mortgaged by the wife to secure the payment of the note of herself and husband, this meant that her property should stand as security so long as the note was a valid and an existing demand against either of the makers.

Defendants further contended that as Lizzie M. Holroyd and Brown & Brown were interested in the case, they were not competent witnesses against the heirs at law of Mrs. Millard.

Complainant insisted that they were competent witnesses against E. B. Millard, at least, and that if competent for that purpose the court could not exclude their testimony.

On the trial in the circuit court, several witnesses testified, and documents and books of account were put in evidence.

Judge Bishop, who heard the case, found for the complainant, and at the June term of court 1907 a decree of foreclosure was entered. The amount found due being \$974.83, exclusive of costs.

No case exactly in point seems to have been decided by our supreme court, but there are a number of cases, more or less analogous in principle.

Our supreme court seems to have recognized the rule followed by courts in states having statutes somewhat similar to our own.

In some other states a different rule prevails and that rule seems to have been followed in one or two appellate court decisions in this state.

Defendants took the case by appeal from the circuit court, to the appellate court.

At the October term 1907 of the appellate court, on motion of complainant, that court dismissed the appeal because it was not perfected in accordance with the orders of the circuit court allowing the appeal.

Defendants then sued out a writ of error in the appellate court, and again took the case up to that court.

At the April term 1907, the appellate court, in an opinion by Judge Dibell, affirmed the decree of the circuit court, in all particulars.

Another writ of error was then sued out by E. B. Millard and other defendants, from the supreme court, to remove the cause from the appellate court to the supreme court, at Springfield.

The law provides that in this class of cases, where the amount in controversy exceeds \$1,000, exclusive of costs, they may be taken by appeal or writ of error from the appellate to the supreme court.

At the beginning of the present December term of the supreme court, on motion of Lizzie M. Holroyd, defendant in error, the supreme court dismissed the writ of error, for want of jurisdiction, because the amount in controversy exclusive of costs did not exceed the \$1,000.

This order leaves the decree of the circuit court in full force. It is doubtless final and an end of this controversy.

Jones & Rogers and J. B. Stephens have been the solicitors for Mr. Millard and other defendants, and George Brown, for complainant.

NEW ELECTRIC ROAD

Kirkland, Elgin and Chicago Men Incorporate—DeKalb to Sandwich

Another electric railway is likely to be built in DeKalb county says the True Republican.

The secretary of state on Tuesday of this week licensed the DeKalb Midland Railway company. The articles of incorporation state that the principal offices will be in Chicago and that the capital stock is \$150,000. It is intended to construct the road from a point in or near DeKalb to and into Sandwich, in the same county.

The incorporators and first board of directors are: John MacQueen of Kirkland, Herbert J. Burdick and W. H. Wilcox of Elgin and Fred O. Cole and John F. Pearce of Chicago.

Declared Insane

Charles Erickson of DeKalb, aged 43 years, was before the county court on Monday and was examined as to his sanity. He is very nervous, violent at times and threatens injury to people, and was melancholy. His first attack was a year and three months ago. He weighs about 165 pounds and has not indulged in excesses. His mother, however, was insane at the time of her death. He was taken to the Elgin hospital—True Republican.

Changed Hands

The restaurant formerly conducted by Harry McGough has been purchased by James O'Brien and will be conducted as a restaurant and tobacco and confectionary store. Meals will be served at all hours and fruits will be on sale in season. Mr. O'Brien has put in a new, fresh stock of candies, also some fine candies in Christmas boxes.

A PERSONAL LETTER

PRESIDENT OF STATE NORMAL HAS WORD FOR FARMERS

ATTEND THE INSTITUTE

DeKalb County Farmers' Institute Should Rank First in the State—Read the Letter

To the farmers of DeKalb county—The time for the farmers' institute is rapidly approaching. Remember that sessions begin one week from next Wednesday. I think that it has been pretty well advertised for we are hearing about it not only from various parts of this county but also from adjoining counties. The indications point to a very large and successful meeting. If each one of you who reads this communication will mention the institute to three of his neighbors you will materially aid in advertising it. Use your telephone for that purpose. With such facilities for getting into touch with each other, as are afforded by the press, the mail and the telephone, every farmer in the county should know that there is to be a farmers' institute here on the 16th, 17th and 18th of December at any rate.

Have you read the premium list? If you have not drop me a line and I will see that you receive it at once. Are you picking out the ten best ears of yellow corn, the ten best ears of white corn, the sweet corn and the pop corn and so on to the end of the corn list? Are you on the look out for freak ears? For large and small monstrosities? For the best sample of apples, and of potatoes, and of the many other things far too numerous to mention? The large gymnasium on the first floor of the Normal school building will be given over to the exhibits. It ought to be crowded. Are the girls practicing on mince pie and wheat bread and angel food cake and all of the rest of the enticing delicacies? Are the school teachers in your districts working up an exhibit of what the children have done? But there is no space here for reproduction of the premium list. If the editor of your paper has found space for it he has certainly made a large contribution to the success of the institute.

JOHN W. COOK

DeKalb County Teacher's Meeting—The mid-winter teachers' meeting will be held at the Normal school, DeKalb, Ill., December 18 and 19, 1908.

The teachers in the rural schools should attend both days, and all the teachers in the county should attend Saturday as every effort has been put forth to arrange a good program.

School patrons are invited to attend both days, but especially Saturday at 1:15 p. m., as at that time there will be a discussion of the tentative plans for the recodification of the school laws of Illinois. These plans have been formulated by the educational commission appointed by Governor Deneen in December 1907.

W. W. COULTAS, County superintendent of schools.

The Bijou Show

The Bijou show at the opera house last Tuesday again pleased the audience, both in quality and quantity of pictures shown. Mr. Conway was at his best in the lectures and in monologue work. This gentleman is now sole owner of the show, having purchased it from the 20th Century Optics Co. Every show thus far has made good in every respect. The next exhibition takes place Tuesday evening, Dec. 15.

BUTTER PRICES MAY FALL

Judge Landis' Decision Practically Removes Restrictions on Oleo

Judge Landis, who gained such renown by finding the Standard Oil company guilty and assessing the largest fine ever given a corporation, created another stir on Tuesday when he handed down a decision in the United States district court which will, it is believed, have the immediate effect of reducing prices of butter. The decision virtually throws the butter market open to competition from colored oleomargarine.

The case was that of William Broadwell and Frank Goll, indicted for "keeping for sale" colored margarine. The defendants demurred to the indictment on the ground that it contained no allegation of selling. It was claimed that the fact of a sale must be proven before a conviction could be had under the internal revenue statute.

Judge Landis upheld this view and quashed both the bills. The government is preparing to go on with the cases, but the difficulty of securing evidence of sales is so great that the prospect of getting convictions is not good.

OVERRULE MOTIONS TO QUASH

Liquor Cases Will Go to Trial Monday January Four

Motions to quash the indictments returned against DeKalb and Sycamore dealers by the recent grand jury for alleged illegal selling of intoxicants were argued in circuit court Friday before Judge Carnes. The firm of Cliffe & Cliffe represented the dealers and State's Attorney Burst was assisted on behalf of the prosecution by Judge Irwin of Elgin and Harry McEwen of DeKalb.

On the conclusion of the arguments the judge overruled the motions. Thus the cases will go to trial on Monday, January 4, the time set by Judge Slusser last week. A special jury will be drawn for this occasion, and if many of the cases come to trial the court will be busy several weeks.—Tribune.

SUICIDE AT COUNTY FARM

Man of Four Score Years and in Ill Health Ends It All

The body of Banks Paulson was found hanging to a tree at the county farm at about 2 o'clock last Friday afternoon. He had eaten his dinner as usual at noon. There was no doubt that he committed suicide. What caused him to commit the deed is not known, but he was in poor health and over 80 years of age and without relatives. He was taken to the farm from Malta a number of years ago. He was a kindly old man, and had the friendship of all the other residents of the farm. The funeral was held on Saturday afternoon and the remains were interred in the county cemetery.—True Republican.

Helpers' Union Sale

The ladies of the Helpers' Union of the A. C. church will have a sale at Duval's meat market, Saturday, Dec. 12, all day, beginning at ten o'clock, of home made bread, pies, cakes, doughnuts and cookies, also comforts, aprons, novelties, all made by the ladies and Misses of the church. Come and buy. Everyone invited.

Trespassers' Notice

Notice is hereby given that trespassing is strictly forbidden on the A. H. Olmsted farm west of Genoa. Persons violating this order will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

A. H. OLMSTED
MRS. E. A. ROBINSON

CROWD THREATENS SUNDAY

But "Billy" Holds His Own at Muscatine, Iowa

Howling their derision, jeering at his every appearance threatening his life, and attempting by every means to break up the revival meeting of the Rev. "Billy" Sunday, a crowd of hoodlums made frequent attempts throughout the day to mob the former ball player at Muscatine, Iowa.

Sunday reached Muscatine on Tuesday, simply returning to hold a final meeting formally closing the successful revival of last week. During the series of meetings, the entire town was stirred by a religious fervor.

Tuesday when Sunday arrived, the railroad station was thronged with toughs. Calmly and with the athletic grace which has made his a familiar figure throughout the middle west, the one-time star outfielder and base runner alighted from the train. Immediately he was surrounded by a howling, jeering mob. Personal violence was threatened and the evangelist cried out that he would kill the first man that touched him.

An equally determined crowd of converts arrived at this point, and surrounding the preacher, hurried him to a waiting cab.

HOLIDAY MERCHANDISE

Genoa Merchants Are Prepared for Heavy Christmas Buying

If times are hard in the country, no one would ever suspect it after passing thru the stores in Genoa. There was never greater activity on the part of Genoa merchants in preparing for holiday shopping. They have not only got an early start in placing goods on display, but have put in a quantity and quality of goods that is a symbol of anything but hard times. There is not a line of merchandise that is not well represented in the several stores. We venture to say that if people will take the time to investigate they will find what they want right here in Genoa, and at prices which will appeal to the economical buyer. Look thru the advertising columns of the Republican-Journal for the announcements of the merchants who are prepared to serve you. Call and see their wares now. Do not wait until the last day.

BUTTER MARKET FIRM

Board of Trade Quotation Committee Makes No Change in Price

The price of butter was declared firm at 30 cents on the Elgin board of trade Monday. Younger bid 32 cents but there were no offerings or sales. The output for the district during the last week was 638,400 lbs.

Former markets were:
Nov. 30, 1908, 30 cents.
Dec. 9, 1907, 28 cents.
Dec. 10, 1906, 31 cents.
Dec. 11, 1905, 24 1/2 cents.

Took First Prize

A. A. Bjelland, a popular and progressive farmer of Victor township, won first prize on yellow corn from DeKalb county in the corn contest at Springfield last week. Mr. Bjelland has been making a study of corn raising for several years, and has done considerable corn breeding to improve his corn and has made it a success.

A. C. Church Notice

Elder B. Forester of Mendota will preach at the A. C. church next Sunday morning and evening. Everybody invited.

COUNTY TAX RATES

GENOA'S RATE LITTLE LOWER THAN IN 1907

COUNTY WORTH \$10,890,261

Figures Furnished by County Clerk Henderson Show Genoa's Rate to be 7.26

County Clerk S. M. Henderson furnishes figures which are interesting at this time as the tax collector will soon be on our trail.

The total assessed value of the county is \$10,890,261. On this valuation the state rate is fixed at 50 cents on the \$100 and the county rate at 64 cents on each \$100.

The total valuation of Genoa township is \$647,825, being the third highest in the county, DeKalb and Sycamore coming first and second with \$1,622,415 and \$1,229,514. Kingston is up toward the top with a valuation of \$515,169.

The total rate of taxation in Genoa village is 7.26, as against 7.94 last year. The corporation rate is 2.28.

The total rate in Kingston is 6.12, a little lower than last year when it was 6.51. Corporation rate is 1.60.

The highest rate is found in DeKalb with 9.38; Sycamore second, 7.93, and Genoa third with 7.26.

NEARLY A BILLION

Will be Required to Pay Uncle Sam's Expenses One Year

The secretary of the treasury Monday transmitted to congress book estimates of the appropriations for the public service for the fiscal year ending, June 30, 1910, as follows:

Legislative, \$13,178,000.
Executive, \$416,000.
State department, \$4,320,000.
Treasury department, \$190,897,000.
War department, \$234,093,000.
Navy department, \$137,510,000.
Interior department, \$244,532,000.
Postoffice department, \$1,711,000.
Department of agriculture, \$19,818,000.
Department of commerce and labor, \$13,044,000.
Department of justice, \$9,890,000.
Total—\$824,409,000.
Estimates for 1910 exceed estimates for 1909 by \$57,901,000.

A Birthday Party

(Contributed)
Far back in the age of creation's morn our birthdays began when Adam was born.
Long years have gone by, still those days come and go
Fought often with joy and sometimes with woe.
But birthdays will end where we'll never grow old,
In mansions above in that city of gold.
E. F. D.

A birthday party was given December 2 at the home of Mr. Godding in honor of Miss Gertie Lauritzson's thirty-fourth birthday. Miss Gertie as hostess entertained her friends in a very pleasing manner. An elegant supper was served at 5 p. m. The table decorations were carnations and ferns. Miss Gertie received a number of beautiful presents. At a later hour as the guests departed each declared the day had been very enjoyable. Those present were Mesdames Peter Lauritzson, Sycamore; Peter Jacobson, Sycamore; Elsie Bellion, DeKalb; Andrew Johnson, Lizzie Schmidt, Harvey Ide, Will Furr, Louie Duval, John Dempsey, John Martin, E. F. Dusenberre, J. F. Keating, all of Genoa.

Notice

POULTRY WANTED—I will pay highest prices for poultry, especially spring chickens. See me before selling. E. B. MEAD. *

SANTA CLAUS' FACTORIES IN TOYLAND

BY CHARLES W. ELWOOD



JUST LIKE REAL AUTOING

JUST come for a trip to Toyland and take a peep at the many delightful presents which Santa Claus prepared for enriching the youthful Christmas. His enchanted castle, brilliantly lighted, is filled with an endless variety of toys; and as the visitor passes through the main avenues in this wonderful world the spectacle becomes more and more entrancing. Numberless fairy-lamps lead the way to where the mechanical and electrical toys are stored; and what an imposing array they make! The place seems full of motor cars, motor omnibuses and motor boats, darting here, there and everywhere, at the bidding of their miniature drivers. The wireless telegraph is busy sending messages, and the Wimshurst machine with its gissler tube is producing the most beautiful colors as though by lightning.

Close at hand are scores of different kinds of steam engines—models of perfection—together with railway carriages, stations, tunnels, signals, and all the rest of it, just like a real railway.

Over there we catch a glimpse of the X-rays, a complete plating machine, and hundreds of electrical toys which are going to be all the rage this season among those who can be favored with costly playthings. Some of the engines come to as much as ten guineas; but the smaller models can be had for a very trifling sum.

An adjoining room wears quite a military aspect, with its thousands of leaden soldiers in full dress, looking very fierce and brave. No doubt they will be pleased to receive marching orders, and show what they can do with their rifles, swords, and real cannon. You can tell they are like real soldiers, because they don't seem to mind a bit being placed in the midst of all sorts of animals, such as elephants, lions, tigers, bears, leopards and monkeys.

The elephants trumpet, the lions and tigers roar, the bears growl, the horses neigh, the donkeys bray, the dogs bark, the cats meow, and all the rest do their full share towards swelling the uproar, but it makes no difference to the soldiers.

A little further on taxicabs dodge in and out of miniature garages, and skillfully steer their way between London county council electric trams. All the drivers are really very clever in Toyland.

little com forts, and, to round off the luxury of it all, a smart motor car stands at the front entrance, awaiting the appearance of my lord and lady.

Was there ever such a show of dolls seen before? They seem to be everywhere, displaying their finery. The undress doll is away on a top shelf, because the popular doll must be in the fashion in the way of dress. The adult doll, with hair done in the latest style, is one of the features of the place. Baby dolls are apt to be tiresome, but the grown-ups are always on their best behavior.

Of course, the universal ambition to soar in the air is represented in Toyland, otherwise the place would be incomplete; tops which fly up to the ceiling, tops which sing in the air, plums, apples, pears, and other fruit dance about most gaily. Swimming men, dancing Scotchmen, snowballs stuffed with small toys, and humpty-dumpty cruses come in view as you wander along; while games galore call aloud for inspection. Toyland certainly never was so full of splendid things for those who can spend dollars and cents.

Take another turn, however, and we come to Tiny Town, where the purchasing power of the penny is best represented. Sets of kitchen utensils, traction engines, gunboats, cruisers, motor omnibuses, railway engines, blacksmiths, sawyers, county council trams, light-houses, dancing ballet girls, dolls' furniture, sewing sets, gold fishes in globes, minus the elaborate mechanism of the more expensive type, but all made to work. Comical figures, magnetic divers, shooting galleries, skin animals, and hundreds of musical contrivances are priced at a few cents.

In the course of a short ramble through Toyland it is impossible for us to see all that is to be seen, but it is clear that Santa Claus has never had such a busy time in making arrangements for his Christmas eve visit.

The season—according to the great toy emporiums whose wonderful stocks are reviewed above—will probably make a record from the business standpoint. Each succeeding year brings a growth in the demand for better class toys; and it is a happy circumstance that the English maker is awakening to the possibility of big business in this direction.

The German snatched the soldier trade from the French, and for years maintained a practical monopoly; but in turn the German has been completely ousted by the Englishman.

In some of the largest toy places in London this Christmas not a single foreign made soldier will be sold. The same success is apparently awaiting English enterprise in regard to dolls' houses.

Germany still holds the field as regards dolls,

but in the course of time even this phase of Toyland may undergo a change. Games bid fair to become extremely popular. Diabolo, or "the devil on two sticks," has already captured Paris, and the demand in London suggests the likelihood of its becoming a great craze there.

At a moment when the toy industry in France is on the wane, the famous caricaturist Caran d'Ache comes to the rescue. Being medically forbidden to follow his art, he turned, as a hobby, to making wooden animals. Unable to repress the humorous strain in his soul, he imparted to his creations a mirth-provoking character which has already made them the rage of Paris; and to judge from the Burlington Arcade they will ere long become quite a craze in London.

From the cheap mechanical toy which impedes our progress through the streets, as displayed on the pavement by the enterprising camelot, to the wonderful creations which the Nain Bleu, that paradise of French children for nearly a century, has provided for the pampered darlings of the wealthy, the predominating element in the French toy of to-day is mechanical ingenuity. Never has this been more noticeable than in the novelties which the manufacturers are preparing for the coming holidays.

The average French maker of toys scorns to offer the little ones such simple things as our childhood knew; and the wooden doll and woolly baa-lamb are to be found only in the poorer districts. Dolls made of wood there are, but the wood is only a casing for wonderful works, and the lamb must be life-size, and able at least to frisk.

Among the more expensive toys, and one which will give the small boy with a gun an opportunity to prove himself a crack shot, is the pigeon shooting device, which is an attractive novelty. Upon a pole about eight feet in height a cross-bar is affixed, much after the fashion of a parrot's perch, except that the cross-piece is mobile, and is made to swing in a circular direction by means of a simple arrangement of weights like those of a cuckoo clock. At each end of the cross-bar is a colored cardboard pigeon, with outspread wings. The machinery is set in motion, and a well-directed shot from a toy gun knocks the bird down.

Miniature automobiles there are in plenty, but the latest thing in the toy motor-car line is run by electricity, and has, if you please, a powerful electric headlight and movable hood. It is doubtful, however, if even so magnificent a plaything as this can have the attraction for the up-to-date youngster which was provided by the little tin "automobile catastrophe" which was the great novelty of last Christmas, and promises to be popular

again this year. This diminutive car held two doll passengers, the chauffeur and his lady.

You wound it up, and it sped along the floor right merrily for a few yards, when suddenly there was a terrible shock—the catastrophe! The car came to pieces, and the unfortunate occupants were hurled into the air and fell in pitiful heaps beside the machine. Sometimes the realism was so intense that the luckless motorists fell under the shattered machine, and then their fate was too horrible to dwell upon.

You picked up the pieces, and put them together, and revived the doll corpses, and set the car going again, and so on. You could have the most exciting accidents all day long.

But automobiles are vieux jeu now, and even steering balloons of the Santos Dumont type no longer find favor with the toy manufacturers. This Christmas, the Petit Noel—who is the French child's Santa Claus—will scatter toy aeroplanes along his path. To be sure, they have to be suspended by a string from the chandelier, but if the string is a black thread it is hardly visible, and the illusion quite successful.

Appropos of flying things, the top of that denomination which figures among the novelties is a most fascinating affair, though why "top" is not clear. A light metal disc made to represent a bird or a butterfly, with wing-tips upon a ring, is placed upon the floor. What appears to be a wand, finished with a rubber cup, is pressed against the center of the disc and briskly withdrawn. The disc whirrs rapidly and rises in the air, flying off in various directions.

Since the French caricaturists' exhibition this spring, when Caran d'Ache's wooden toys created a furore, and all the world of fashion flocked to see the show and admire his "regiment of General Boum," the celebrated artist's toys have become a craze with grown folk and children alike.

The playthings which Caran d'Ache has fashioned in wood for the season of gifts are in the form of groups representing hunting parties in which European rulers are the principal figures. Thus we see his majesty, King Edward, arrayed in kilts, accompanied by a brawny Highlander, shooting over the moors. Wandering pheasants, like barnyard fowl, are grouped at the hunter's feet, and gaze in astonishment at the alert dogs, which point in most thorough fashion. The tzar in pursuit of native game, and the president of France at Rambouillet, have also inspired Monsieur d'Ache. While children of all nationalities still cling fondly to Teddy bears, their elders in France are indulging youthful fancies in the purchase of Caran d'Ache's dogs; and many are the Frenchmen's desks which this Jour de l'An will see adorned with one of these delightful pups.

SIMON IS CHIEF EXECUTIVE

MAKES HIMSELF PROVISIONAL PRESIDENT OF HAYTI.

Gen. Fouchard Arrives and is Proclaimed Head of Army—Trouble Brewing Elsewhere.

Port au Prince, Dec. 7.—Quiet prevailed here Sunday, although there were reports of threatening trouble in other towns in Hayti. Gen. Antoine Simon, commander-in-chief of the revolutionists, who Saturday entered Port au Prince at the head of an army of about 8,000 men, issued a proclamation to the people and the army in which he assumed the title of chief executive, and declared that he would organize a provisional government, pending the assembling of the parliament. In his proclamation he made an appeal to the wisdom of the nation and the discipline of the army.

At eight o'clock Sunday morning the Cuban steamer Oteri arrived here from Kingston, having on board Gen. Fouchard and 30 other exiles. After lengthy negotiations, Gen. Simon agreed to permit Gen. Fouchard to land, but stated that the others must remain on the steamer.

The two revolutionary leaders remained together for some time at Gen. Simon's headquarters, and after what proved to be a very amicable meeting, Gen. Simon proclaimed Gen. Fouchard chief executive of the army, all the forts and the Haytian gunboats firing a salute of 21 guns. Following this, the Oteri's passengers came ashore and were greeted by the firing of musketry.

TAFT LEAVES HOT SPRINGS.

President-Elect Goes to New York and Washington.

Hot Springs, Va., Dec. 7.—The president-elect and Mrs. Taft, Secretary Carpenter and the entire office force took their final departure from Hot Springs Sunday night. Judge Taft proceeded direct to New York where Monday night he will be the guest of honor and principal orator at the dinner of the North Carolina society at the Hotel Astor.

Mrs. Taft will go to the residence of Miss Mabel Boardman in Washington where Mr. Taft will return Tuesday to remain during the week. He will then spend a few days in New York before going to Augusta, Ga., for an extended sojourn.

COUPLE FOUND DEAD TOGETHER.

Tragic Demise of Ohio Bank Cashier and Stenographer.

Columbus, O., Dec. 7.—The bodies of Victor W. Wentz, aged 33, cashier of the First National bank of Canal Dover, O., and Miss Alice Hollinger, a stenographer of 355 Marshall avenue, this city, and formerly of Uhrichsville, O., were found in the Bellwood Inn, a rural resort, east of this city, soon after noon Sunday. Death, according to coroner Murphy, was undoubtedly due to asphyxiation caused by an open gas stove.

Wentz was a native of Canal Dover, where his family is heavily interested in the bank of which he was cashier. He was a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason. Miss Hollinger's mother, who is an invalid, was greatly shocked by the news of her daughter's tragic death.

PRESIDENT FLAYS EDITORS.

Denounces as Falsehoods Charges of Graft in Canal Deal.

Washington, Dec. 7.—President Roosevelt, in a letter to W. D. Foulke, fiercely denounced as infamous falsehoods charges made in the Indianapolis News that there was graft in the \$40,000,000 Panama canal purchase and that the president's brother-in-law, Douglas Robinson, and Charles Taft, brother of the president-elect, were beneficiaries.

The president also severely arraigned William M. Laffan, editor of the New York Sun, for making charges of graft in connection with the Prairie oil franchise.

STEAMER CLEMONSON LOST.

Hope for Vessel and Her Crew of Twenty-Two is Abandoned.

Duluth, Minn., Dec. 7.—A. B. Wolvin of Duluth, owner of the steamer N. M. Clemons, has abandoned hope and admits that the vessel is probably at the bottom of Lake Superior with her crew of 22. S. R. Chamberlain of this city is captain. The Clemons is a week overdue at this port. She was caught in the terrific gale of last week on lower Lake Superior. The vessel is 5,000 tons burden and was coal laden.

Demands Apology from Castro.

Paris, Dec. 7.—If President Castro of Venezuela comes to Bordeaux he will not be allowed to set foot on French soil until after he has offered a formal apology for the fashion in which he has flouted France. This decision was arrived at by the cabinet.

Actress is Freed from Debts.

New York, Dec. 8.—A discharge in bankruptcy was granted Monday to Mrs. Caroline Leslie Carter Payne, the actress. According to her schedules Mrs. Payne's liabilities amounted to \$194,418, and her assets to \$57,926.

Accidentally Kills Himself.

Springfield, Mo., Dec. 7.—While searching early Sunday morning for a burglar who he believed was lurking in his cellar, Dr. Charles E. Brown, Jr., a prominent physician of Springfield, Mo., accidentally killed himself.

NEWS OF ILLINOIS

Chicago.—Joseph Dunham, 32 years old, said to be the son of the late Judge Dunham of Henry county, was arrested Wednesday and arraigned at the Harrison street municipal court on a charge of passing worthless checks.

The prisoner's father is said to have been worth more than \$1,000,000 at the time of his death, but the son had received his share of the estate and left Geneseo, where the Dunham family lived, before the division of the property. According to the police, Dunham has been passing checks drawn upon his father's estate. One of the complainants against him is H. A. Wilke, a business man at 137 Dearborn street. Wilke told the police that he knew Dunham in Geneseo and was easily induced to cash a worthless check for \$30. The prisoner's case was continued one week. The arrest was made by Detectives Folsom and Johnson of the central police station at Hannah & Hogg's saloon, 220 Clark street.

Bloomington.—A surprising sequel to the efforts to punish Sherman Cass and Miss Anna Kelly, the Tolono school teachers, who were accused of whipping the son of William F. Burke, a farmer, is the filing of a suit for \$10,000 damages against the two teachers for the benefit of the injured son. A year ago the father had the two teachers prosecuted on the charge of punishing his 12-year-old son, it being asserted that his spinal column was so affected by the whipping that his head fell forward upon his breast unless supported by a brace. The father obtained a judgment for \$1,800 damages against the two teachers. Rather than pay it, Cass went to jail and served six months.

Mount Vernon.—At the law examination conducted in Mount Vernon at the appellate courthouse for the Fourth judicial district, 29 of a class of 43 were awarded their sheep skins. They are: Anson L. Brown, Charles E. Carpenter, Thomas J. Griffith, Robert E. Hogan, Scott M. Hogan, Harry L. Holton, Albert L. Hopkins, Lawrence D. Jacobs, George Kandlik, Leo S. Kosithek, Ralph L. Kompore, Truman H. Miner, George Newman, Matthew J. O'Brien, George W. Schulman, Oliver M. Selders, Chicago; Hamil A. Canady, Morris; Aubrey R. Clarey, Chauncey; Higbee Wood, Quincy; Rupert D. Donovan, Woodstock.

Quincy.—Word reached here of the death of Col. Edward Prince, aged 76 years, in a hospital at Chicago. Deceased spent most of his life here. He was colonel of the Seventh Illinois cavalry in the civil war. Since the war he practiced law and civil engineering. He was the founder of the water works plant here and of late years had been interested in developing the gold mines of Nevada. He was classed among this city's wealthy citizens. He leaves a widow and two daughters.

Kewanee.—James Reno, who attracted national attention last year by his walking trip from Guthrie, Okla., to Washington, during which he distributed religious literature from his wheelbarrow, was fatally burned here Wednesday when he started his kitchen fire with wood soaked with gasoline which he had mistaken for kerosene. He was 65 years old.

Chicago.—Purveyors of gawsome scandals were given a body blow Thursday when a clean bill of health was awarded the Dunning Asylum for the insane by the special committee, consisting of five citizens and four members of the county board, appointed by President William Busse to investigate charges of mistreatment of patients at the institution.

Mascoutah.—George Eppert, president of the local union of the Peoria Mine Workers of America, was fatally wounded by Jerry Spalding at the meeting of the union. Shooting was the result of antagonism engendered during the political campaign just closed. After shooting Spalding escaped but later himself up.

Peoria.—James J. Hill Wednesday T. A. Grier, president of the Peoria board of trade, his acceptance of an invitation to make an address at a joint banquet of the Commercial and Creve Coeur clubs here the evening of December 8. Bishop John Lancaster Spalding, a personal friend of Mr. Hill, will deliver the invocation.

Peoria.—Peoria county, this state, is the hot bed of matrimonial mixups, according to appalling statistics brought to light by investigations of the records from November 1, 1907, to November 1, 1908. In Peoria county during the time mentioned there was one divorce filed for every 423 marriage licenses.

St. Louis.—Judge David P. Dyer in the federal district court sustained an order of Secretary of Commerce and Labor Straus, directing that Samuel Bachman be deported to his old home in England. Bachman was accused of preaching anarchistic teaching on the streets of Belleville.

Paxton.—Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Day, retired citizens of Paxton, have bequeathed to the Chadlock Boys school at Quincy, a 160-acre farm, valued at \$28,000. This is the largest gift, except that of Mr. and Mrs. Chadlock, for whom the school was named, ever made to the institution.

Pittsfield.—Miss Maude Reed is the champion woman corn husker of Pike county. She just completed husking 550 bushels for her brother-in-law, Arthur Hayden, residing east of this city. Miss Reed says she picks corn "just for the fun there is in it." She is 24 years old.

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DOINGS OF THE WEEK

THE assistance of all subscribers is invited and solicited in making this department interesting. Any item of news left at the office, in the box at the east corner of the Exchange Bank building or given the editor on the street will be greatly appreciated. If you have visitors or have been away yourself or if you know anything good about your neighbors tell us about it.

WANTS, FOR SALE, ETC.

RATES: 5 lines or less, 25 cents for first week and 15 cents for each following week, over five lines, 5 cents per line first week and 3 cents per line for each following week.

FOR SALE—4 residence in Genoa, 160 acres raw land in McPherson county, S. D. and 160 acres raw land in Brown county, S. D. \$10,000 an acre. W. H. SAGER, Genoa, Ill. Phone No. 6. 4411

Advertising Rates
Space Advertising—3 and 10 cents per column inch. Full page, \$10.00.
Locals—5 cents per line.
Wants, Found and Lost Ads—See Want Column.
Cards of Thanks—5 cents per line.
Resolutions—3 cents per line.
Society Notices of meetings, when no admission fee is charged—Free.

Mrs. C. A. Patterson is quite

and the doll booth at F. W. Olmsted's.

for your city water or it may be cut off.
Frank Awe is visiting at Billings, Mont.

WANTED—Inquire at Genoa laundry.

J. Hammond was in Chicago Wednesday.

Go to F. W. Olmsted's for your cloaks and furs.

Notice E. B. Mead's poultry ad in another column.

The latest designs in china ware at Olmsted's.

Mrs. Kline Shipman was a Chicago visitor last week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Olmsted were in Chicago Thursday.

Misses Etha and Mabel Pierce were Elgin visitors Monday.

John Hadsall and Geo. W. Buck were in Elgin Tuesday.

F. W. Olmsted has a splendid holiday display of Xmas goods.

Attorney Geo. Brown of Sycamore called on his sisters Sunday.

L. E. Carmichael spent Sunday at his father's home in Rockford.

FOR SALE—Poland China boar. Inquire of D. W. Swanson, Genoa, Ill.

Mrs. F. O. Swan visited her mother in Elgin today (Thursday).

FOR SALE—Four choice springers. Will come in soon. A. R. Cohoon.

Lyman Brown of Delavan, Wis., and Mrs. E. A. Dolph of Elgin were visitors for a few days at the home of A. V. Pierce.

I will cut cord wood at \$1.50 per cord anywhere within 4 miles of Genoa, during the winter. Leave orders at this office.

Mrs. Lee Smith (Minnie Lembke) left last week to join her husband at Billings, Mont., where they will make their home.

Chas. W. Wager, who has been in the West during the past six or eight months, returned to Genoa Wednesday morning.

Mrs. Robert Leach of Chicago has been spending a few days here with her sisters, Mrs. Howard King and Mrs. Rudolph.

F. W. Olmsted has the largest assortment of stationery, books, fancy articles, china ware and toys that he has ever shown.

There will be work in the initiatory degree at the next meeting of Genoa Lodge No. 768, I. O. O. F., Monday evening, Dec. 14.

F. I. Fay returned from Fon du Lac, Wis., Wednesday evening, having given up his position in the shoe factory at that place.

Chas. Whipple, G. H. Martin, S. S. Slater, P. A. Quanstrong and Fred Vandress were Chicago passengers Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Campbell and son, Harry, attended the International Stock and Dairy Show in Chicago Monday and Tuesday.

Howard King, who sold his interests in the grocery business to his partner, L. W. Duval, is now employed at the Farmers' State Bank.

If you want to do just the right thing make your wife a Christmas present of a new range. Let us quote you a few prices. Perkins & Rosenfeld.

Why don't you deposit your money in the Farmers' State Bank and get interest for six months at the rate of 3 per cent per annum? Try it.

That boy is just like you were at his age. Nothing would suit him better than one of Perkins & Rosenfeld's warranted pocket knives as a present.

W. W. Lamb of Chicago, formerly employed by the Eureka Electric Co., was in Genoa Saturday evening, taking the first degree at the Masonic lodge.

A great reduction in prices of hats trimmed or untrimmed at Mrs. Dusingber's for the next ten days. The assortment is large and styles new. Over Swens' store.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Lee Wyde last Saturday evening, but the little one never opened its eyes in this world.

The parents have the sympathy of all in their disappointment.

Real winter weather was ushered in Saturday night when about three inches of snow fell. On Sunday night the temperature went down to snug fridity, very nearly touching the zero point.

The Junior Band will give a concert before the show at the pavilion on Thursday evening, Dec. 17. Don't fail to hear the

music furnished by this organization. It will be the first appearance of this band in public.

Mrs. L. D. Walters of Los Angeles, Calif., arrived here Wednesday evening for a visit with her sisters.

Caleb Olmstead, J. W. Brown, Henry Downing and W. H. Heed attended the stock show in Chicago last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hoffman of Charter Grove were visitors at the stock show in Chicago Thursday and Friday.

TO RENT—One of the nicest cottages in Genoa. Six rooms and bath, city and rain water, electric lights, cement walks, modern improvements, up to date. Five minutes walk from depot and postoffice. Enquire of Brown & Brown or P. J. Harlow at the Mix creamery. 1411

Members of the H. A. G. T. club entertained their husbands at the home of Mrs. C. A. Patterson last Thursday evening. Each lady brought a basket containing lunch which were disposed of at auction. All baskets brought the same price—just \$0.4. Progressive cinch was played during the evening.

Royal H. Durham, brother of Lenny and Amber, has returned to the south via Cincinnati, Chattanooga and New Orleans. He intends to remain in the latter city a few days before going to his old home at Arcola, La., where he will attend to business affairs. He will later return to New Orleans and take up mechanical drawing.

HOMESEEKERS' EXCURSION
Special Train on Tuesday, Dec. 15, to Texas South Plains

Who makes the best liver pills? The J. C. Ayer Company, of Lowell, Mass. They have been making Ayer's Pills for over sixty years. If you have the slightest doubt about using these pills, ask your doctor. Do as he says, always.

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purchasers Sleeping car berths (tree).

Right here in the South Plains of Texas is the most fertile and productive section of the whole southwest. Here in the heart of what was formerly the great grazing section, is the most productive land in the United States for diversified farming. The deep soil has never been touched by a plow and its wonderful natural fertility has been increased for untold years by the thousands of cattle which have made it their feeding ground. Right in the

heart of this district is the famous Running Water Ranch. Here is where your opportunity lies.

This magnificent ranch, the Pride of the Plains, has been cut up into farms and is being sold to

homeseekers and investors at low prices and on easy terms. Leave Genoa at 6:50 Tuesday evening, Dec. 15. For full particulars see J. A. Patterson, Special Agent, Genoa, Ill.

Throat Coughs
Ask your doctor about these throat coughs. He will tell you how deceptive they are. A tickling in the throat often means serious trouble ahead. Better explain your case carefully to your doctor, and ask him about your taking Ayer's Cherry Pectoral.

We publish our formulas
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The most Advanced Moving Picture Show
Traveling. Entire change of program
Each Week.

MR. WM. M. CONWAY, LECTURER.
Admission: Adults 20c; Children 10c.

Christmas Time Will Soon Be Here

We have a choice line of Perfumes, Fancy Box Candies, Holiday Stationery in boxes, Toilet Sets, Shaving Sets, Collar and Cuff Boxes, Combs, Mirrors, Brushes, Pipes, Pocket Books, Pipes, Xmas Cigars in Small Boxes. We are leaders in Xmas Post Cards and Booklets, Hand Painted Clipping and Address Books, Photo Albums.

We are always pleased to have you call whether you buy or not

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IF ITS USED
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When a farmer wants an implement, wagon or repairs he wants them quick. We try to make his burdens easy in this respect by keeping on hand at all times everything that is needed in farm work from a

**CORN BINDER
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It has stood the test of years and is as good today as it was when first put on the market. Made of the best wheat which is selected carefully every season. There is nothing too good to go into Excelsior Flour.

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I Am Ready to Prove to You FREE OF CHARGE

That I Can Relieve Pain And Cure Disease
Until the First of January My Special
Offer of Free Diagnosis AND ONE FREE
TREATMENT is Open to Everybody.

I offer this in order that I may destroy that grim monster DOUBT that has so long stood between you and your health. If, after diagnosing your case and giving you one free treatment, I PROVE to you that I CAN help or cure you where doctors and medicines have failed, I am entirely willing to leave the matter of further treatments with you. All I want to do in one of my free treatments is to dispel your skepticism; prove to you that I CAN alleviate pain and suffering. If you do not THEN wish to continue the treatments you are under no obligation whatsoever to me. I am not offering to prove that I can relieve pain and cure disease to satisfy curiosity seekers who merely desire a demonstration of my power, but I do want every man, woman or child who is broken in health, ill in pain, or diseased in any way whatsoever, to take advantage of this special offer.

It is Open to You For a Limited Time Only

My large practice prohibits my making such an offer permanent. I am in a position to submit to you the strongest testimonials ever placed before the public—letters from leading citizens of cities all over the country—testimonials which PROVE WHAT I HAVE DONE FOR OTHERS. I am ready to give you names of people whom I have cured of your disease right here at home. You can call on them or write to them. WHEN YOU CALL ON ME ASK TO SEE WHAT OTHERS HAVE SAID OF MY POWER TO HEAL DISEASE, THEIR TESTIMONIALS ARE AN OPEN BOOK TO YOU IN WHICH YOU CAN READ AND FIND HOPE FOR THE ALLEVIATION OF YOUR OWN SUFFERING. I am not asking you to take my word for anything. No man can promise what he can do but he can assuredly prove to you what he has done. If it is not possible for you to call at my Elgin office I will be pleased to answer any questions you may submit. All correspondence has my personal attention. I ask a chance to PROVE to you that I can cure disease by laying my hands on the poor diseased portion of your body. I diagnose through holding the hand. There is no physician's disagreeable examination, and I use no drugs. You are at liberty to take advantage of this offer of my unusual free diagnosis, with THE ADDITION OF ONE FREE TREATMENT, only until the first of January. My office is closed on Saturday afternoons and Sundays, except by appointment.

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Saturday Afternoon and Evening

We will serve hot coffee and the daintiest biscuit you ever tasted. The Chicago Biscuit Co. will introduce their famous line of English Biscuit; seen for the first time in Genoa.

**Golden Butter Wafers, Dover Fingers
Vienna Sugar Wafers,
Universal Time**

Get a free package of Superior Biscuit with your purchase.

L. W. DUVAL, GROCER

RAP'S Broadside is making a commendable effort to stir up enthusiasm in the ranks of the 1200 or more Democrats of the county and worry the other fellows. Rap throws a pretty sharp projectile, but his guns are short range and the powder a little wet.

THE BILLEK CASE

THE hanging of a Herman Billek, has again been postponed, the lieutenant governor granting the extension of time on Monday, in the absence of the governor. This is the fifth time that this man accused of murder has been saved from the gallows. Under the circumstances Billek should never hang for the crimes of which the jury found him guilty. It will be remembered that the evidence was all circumstantial, strong it is true. But since the day the jury returned the verdict there has been a tireless effort to save Billek, not only by his lawyers, but by his friends and thousands of people in Chicago. This great expression of sympathy must come from doubt of Billek's guilt. The governor has felt it enough to grant reprieve after reprieve. Capital punishment is barbarous enough, hanging a man on circumstantial evidence is worse, but to take his life in the face of all the doubt expressed in this case is terrible to contemplate. If a new trial is not granted, the governor can not conscientiously do less than commute the sentence to life imprisonment. In that event Billek's friends could still work to prove his innocence. If guilty the life term is punishment enough.

SCHOOL NOTES

The following is a report for the past week:

First primary—absent Teddie Scott. This room had no tardies.
Second primary—absent Walter Albertson, Gretchen Marquart, Francis Sturtevant, Bruce Sturtevant, Lettie Lord, George Wilson. This room had no tardies.

First intermediate—absent Ida Witt, Freddie Shattuck, Emma Bender, Cora Awe, Walter Noll, Johnnie Clausen, Harry Merritt, Tardy Nora Awe, Cora Awe.

Second intermediate—A perfect attendance for the week in this room, no one being either absent or tardy. One new pupil was enrolled, Idena Vandresser.

Grammar room—This room had a perfect attendance.

High school—absent Clayton Brown, Harry Whipple, Edgar Lettow, Floyd Brown, William Hannah. Tardy Belle Campbell, Eda Smith, Harry Carb, Floyd Brown.

Miss Zada Corson spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Otto Holtgren of Hampshire.

The sophomores gave an entertainment Friday afternoon which was very commendable. The young people acquitted themselves well and all were delighted to see Victor Stott respond so nicely when his name was called.

The freshmen will give the program next Friday afternoon.

The High School Literary Club will give an entertainment on next Friday evening, Dec. 11, in the high school room for the benefit of the athletic association. The exercises will consist of a mock trial. Lawyers, witnesses, plaintiffs, defendants and juries will all be there in full force. Much time has been given to the preparation of this trial and it will be fun and amusement from beginning to end. A nominal fee of ten cents will be charged, but after listening to the trial if you decide that you have not got your money's worth, your admission will be refunded. Remember this is to help defray the expenses of the athletics. Come and bring your friends. Trial will begin at 8 o'clock.

GENOA HIGH SCHOOL RECEIVES

ADDITIONAL RECOGNITION
The Genoa high school has

recently received full credit by the Cornell college of Mount Vernon, Iowa. The school has been fully accredited for some time with the universities of Illinois and Wisconsin. It is now fully accredited with Cornell, the certificate having been received last week. This is one more honor for Genoa high school. The people of Genoa take great pride in their schools and they justly should when they receive such recognition by the best institutions of the country. Very nearly one half of the present enrollment of the high school are non-resident pupils, and this non-resident enrollment is likely to increase from year to year, from the fact that pupils from the Genoa high school can matriculate with the best institutions of the country without examinations. The superior equipment and instruction of the Genoa schools are readily recognized by the higher schools and institutions of the Middle West.

The Cornell College was founded in 1853 and has made a firm and permanent growth from the date of its organization.

Its faculty at present numbers over fifty and is composed of men and women who are graduates of the best colleges of the world.

The school offers courses in art, science, engineering, theology, teaching and in fact every department offered by any first class college. It confers the degrees of Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering, Master of Arts, Master of Science and in fact all degrees conferred by other colleges. It has an enrollment for 1908 of over eight hundred students, representing almost every state of the Union and some from foreign countries. It is in every respect a first class college and it is an honor to the Genoa schools to receive accredited relations with such an institution.

The following poem was written by Myrtle Anderson and read before the literary society Friday afternoon:

Kind ladies and gentlemen
Pleaze excuse this rhyme
For in trying to compose it
I had an awful time.

We objected to the verses
That were read the other day
And everything they said we know
Were quite the other way.

We sophomores objected
To be put in such a light
And now for our legal rights
We'll try to make a fight.

Altho we know we're modest
And don't make such a fuss
If something not parliamentary
Is brot up to make a muss.

The juniors and the freshies
Think they are just on time—
But how I hate to say it
They can not make lines rhyme.

For in that speech the other day
That they thought was pretty cute,
Words jumbled up in such a way
"Das war nicht sehr gut."

Ward Olmstead is a junior
And that you surely know,
By that little speel he gave
A week or so ago.

And Malwin is a junior,
So very mild and kind,
Because of his invention
He was expelled from "lab" a week.

Those freshie kits are much more fresh
Than freshmen ought to be,
And I really think to salt them down
Would prove a remedy.

The juniors really seem to think
Those freshies smart in kind,
But if they could hear that algebra
They'd quickly change their mind.

Well, now I've said it my verses
To each and all of you,
And what I've said I'm satisfied
Is quite reasonable and true.

Why not pay your subscription
in advance? It's just as easy and
more satisfactory for both of us.

(OFFICIAL PUBLICATION)

REPORT OF THE CONDITION

Of the Farmer's State Bank

at Genoa, State of Illinois, before the commencement of business on the 28th day of Nov. 1908, as made to the Auditor of Public Accounts, for the state of Illinois, pursuant to law.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts.....\$191,503 82
Overdrafts..... 3,559 22
\$195,063 04

Other bonds and securities, including premiums..... 900 00

Banking House..... 9,050 17
Furniture and Fixtures..... 2,078 89
\$11,129 06

Due from National Banks..... 4,566 14
Due from State Banks and Banks..... 8,443 34
\$13,009 48

Exchanges for Clearing House..... 609 76
Checks and other cash items..... 253 65
\$863 41

Cash on hand—

a. Gold coin.....\$ 42 50
b. Silver coin..... 1,325 65
Silver coin treasury certificates.....

c. National bank currency..... 2,465

d. Legal tender and treasury notes.....

e. Fractional currency, nickels and cents..... 141 32
3,974 47

Total..... 170,051 46

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock paid in..... 40,000 00
Surplus Fund..... 3,400 00

Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid..... 1,972 22

Time Deposits Certificates..... 82,043 99
Demand Deposits Individual..... 40,849 92
122,893 91

Due to other banks, State Banks and Banks..... 1,765 33
Total..... 170,051 46

State of Illinois, County of DeKalb, ss.

I, Flora BUCK, Cashier of the Farmer's State Bank do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

FLORA BUCK, Cashier
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4th day of December, 1908,
GEO. W. BUCK,
[Seal] Notary Public

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PRESIDENT TO CONGRESS

Message Read to Both Houses of National Assembly

LEGISLATION CALLED FOR

Financial Standing of the Nation Declared Excellent—Control of Corporations, the President Thinks, Should Be Left to the National Government—Labor Leaders Come In for Criticism—Respect for Law Vital to the Well-Being of Country.

Washington.—The message of President Roosevelt was read in both houses of congress Tuesday. In substance the document was as follows:

To the Senate and House of Representatives: The financial standing of the nation at the present time is excellent, and the financial management of the nation's interests by the government during the last seven years has shown the most satisfactory results. But our currency system is in need of reform, and it is earnestly to be hoped that the current commission will be able to propose a thoroughly good system which will do away with the existing defects.

During the period from July 1, 1901, to September 30, 1908, there was an increase in the amount of money in circulation of \$92,991,399. The increase in the per capita during this period was \$7.06. Within this time there were several occasions when it was necessary for the treasury department to come to the relief of the money market by purchases or redemptions of United States bonds. The Panama canal bonds, and \$100,000 three per cent certificates of indebtedness authorized by the act of June 13, 1898. It was proposed to redepot in the national banks the proceeds of these issues, and to permit their use as a basis for additional circulating notes of national banks. The moral effect of this procedure was so great that it was necessary to issue only \$24,831,890 of the Panama bonds and \$15,436,500 of the certificates of indebtedness.

During the period from July 1, 1901, to September 30, 1908, the balance between the net ordinary receipts and the net ordinary expenses of the government showed a surplus in the four years 1902, 1903, 1906, and 1907, and a deficit in the years 1904, 1905, 1908, and a fractional part of the fiscal year 1909. The total result was a surplus of \$99,283,413.54. The financial operations of the government during this period, based upon these differences between receipts and expenditures, resulted in a net reduction of the interest-bearing debt of the United States from \$277,191,997 to \$87,253,290, notwithstanding that there had been issued a fractional part of the Panama canal bonds in the aggregate to \$4,831,890, and an issue of three per cent certificates of indebtedness under the act of June 13, 1898, amounting to \$10,000,000. Refunding operations of the treasury department under the act of March 14, 1900, resulted in the conversion into two per cent consols of 1930 of \$400,000,000 of the four per cent interest. A decrease of \$3,687,956 in the annual interest charge resulted from these operations.

In short, during the seven years and three months to which this report refers, plus of nearly one hundred millions of receipts over expenditures, a reduction of the interest-bearing debt by ninety millions, in spite of the extraordinary expense of the Panama canal, and a saving of nearly nine millions on the annual interest charge.

Control of Corporations.

As regards the great corporations engaged in the business, and especially the railroads, I have already said in my messages to the congress. I believe that under the interstate clause of the constitution the federal government has complete and paramount right to control all agencies of interstate commerce. I believe that the national government alone can exercise this right with power and effectiveness so as both to do justice from, and to do justice to, great corporations which are the most important factors in modern business. It is not possible to prohibit all combinations as is done by the Sherman anti-trust law, because such a law can never be enforced. It is not possible to have substituted a law which shall expressly permit combinations which are in the interest of the public, but shall at the same time give to some agency in the national government full power of control and supervision over them. One of the chief features of this control should be securing entire publicity in all matters which the public has a right to know, and furthermore, the power, not by judicial but by executive action, to prevent or put a stop to every form of improper favoritism or other wrongdoing.

The railroads of the country should be put completely under the interstate commerce commission and removed from the domain of the anti-trust laws. The power of the commission should be made thoroughgoing, so that it could exercise complete supervision and control over the issue of securities as well as over the raising and lowering of rates. As regards rates, at least, this power should be as complete as possible. Rates must be made as low as is compatible with giving proper returns to all the employees of the road, from the highest to the lowest, and proper return to the shareholders, but they must not, for instance, be reduced in such fashion as to necessitate a cut in the wages of the employees or the abolition of the proper and legitimate profits of honest shareholders.

Telegraph and telephone companies engaged in interstate business should be put under the jurisdiction of the interstate commerce commission. It is very earnestly to be wished that our people, through their representatives, should act in this matter. It is to the interest of all of us that there should be a premium put upon individual initiative and individual ca-

pacily, and an ample reward for the great directing intelligences alone competent to manage the great business operations of to-day. It is well to keep in mind that exactly as the anarchist is the worst enemy of liberty and the reactionary the worst enemy of order, so the men who defend the rights of property must to fear from the wrongdoers of great wealth, and the men who are championing popular rights have most to fear from the demagogues who in the name of popular rights would be willing to oppress honest business men, honest men of wealth, for the success of either type of wrongdoer necessarily invites a violent reaction against the cause of the wrongdoer respectively.

Need of Centralization.

The proposal to make the national government supreme over, and therefore to give it complete control over, the railroads and other instruments of interstate commerce is merely a proposal to carry out to the letter one of the prime purposes, if not the prime purpose, for which the constitution was founded. It does not represent centralization. It represents merely the acknowledgment of the fact that centralization has already come in business. If this irresponsible outside business power is to be controlled in the interest of the general public it can only be controlled in one way: by giving adequate power of control to the one sovereignty capable of exercising such power—the national government. To abandon the effort for national control means to abandon the effort for all adequate control and yet to render illegitimate the control of action by state legislatures, which cannot achieve the purpose sought for, but which can do a great deal of damage to the corporation without conferring any real benefit on the public.

There should be regulation by the national government of the great interstate corporations, including a simple method of account keeping, publicity, supervision of the issue of securities, abolition of relations with state guaranties, and there should be short-time franchises for all corporations engaged in public business; including the corporations which get power from water rights. There should be national control of the production of mines and forests. The labor legislation hereinafter referred to should be currently enacted into law.

To accomplish these ends, a certain increase in the use of—not the creation of—power, by the central government. The power already exists; it does not have to be created. The question is whether it shall be used or not. It is not the power of the corporation over which the power ought to be exercised will not remain idle. The danger to America is not that the power will be used, but that it shall be used in a concentration of administrative power in responsible and accountable hands. It lies in having the power insufficiently exercised. If the power is to be responsible to the people for its use, concentrated power is palpable, visible, responsible, easily reached, quickly held to account. Democracy is in peril wherever the administration of political power is scattered among a variety of men who work in secret, whose very names are unknown to the people, and who are in peril from any man who derives authority from the people, who exercises it in sight of the people, and who is from time to time compelled to give an account of its exercise to the people.

Legislation for Wage-workers.

The act of many factors affecting labor and the status of the wage-worker, which I should like to draw your attention, but an exhaustive discussion of the problem in all its aspects is not necessary. It is in the body of the report, or perhaps it would be more accurate to say in steady efforts in many different directions, to bring about a condition of affairs under which the wage-worker, the man of the brain, the laborer, the superintendents, the men who produce the market and the men who find a market for the articles produced, are all treated as equals. At present of the wealth they produce, and are enabled to invest it in the tools and instruments by which all work is carried on. As far as possible, we should see a frank recognition of the advantages conferred by machinery, organization and division of labor, accompanied by an effort to bring about a larger share in the ownership of the tools, of the mill, and factory.

Postal Savings Banks will Make It Easy for the Poor to Keep their Savings in Absolute Safety.

The regulation of the national highways must be such that they shall serve all people with equal justice. Corporate finances must be supervised so as to make it far safer at present for the man of small means to invest his money in stocks. There must be prohibition of child labor, limitation of women labor, shortening of hours of all mechanical labor, stock watering should be prohibited, and stock gambling so far as is possible discouraged. There should be a prohibition of the sale of securities of any kind, and the foundation of American institutions; for, as Burke finely said, when liberty and justice are separated, neither is safe. There are, however, some men of the judicial body who have lagged behind in their understanding of the great and vital changes in the body politic, whose minds have never been opened to the new life-making principles made necessary by the new conditions. Judges of this stamp do lasting harm by their decisions, because they continue to apply the old law to the new conditions of the land, and are profoundly ignorant of and out of sympathy with their needs, and profoundly ignorant or hostile to any proposed remedy. To such men it seems that the law can have any court decide against them on the ground that it desires to preserve "liberty" in a purely technical form, by withholding liberty in any real and constructive sense.

Urgent Need of Reform.

Our present system, or rather no system, works dreadfully wrong, and is of benefit to only one class of people—the lawyers. Who's work is injured what he needs is not an expensive and doubtful lawsuit, but the certainty of relief through immediate administrative action. No academic theory about "freedom of contract" or "constitutional liberty to contract" should be permitted to interfere with this and similar reforms.

Pending a thoroughgoing investigation and action there is certain legislation which should be enacted at once. The law granting compensation to certain classes of employees of the government should be extended to include all employees of the government and should be made more liberal in its terms. There is no good ground for the distinction made in the law between those engaged in hazardous occupations and those not so engaged. The terms of the act providing compensation should be made more liberal than in the present act. A year's compensation is inadequate for a wage-earner's family in the event of his death by accident in the course of his employment. And in the event of death occurring, say, ten or eleven months after the accident, the family would only receive as compensation the equivalent of one or two

months' earnings. In this respect the generosity of the United States towards its employees compares most unfavorably with that of every country in Europe—even the poorest.

I renew my recommendation made in a previous message that half-holidays be granted during summer to all wage-workers in government employ.

I also renew my recommendation that the principle of the eight-hour day should be rapidly and as far as practicable be extended to all wage-workers being carried on by the government; the present law should be amended to embrace contracts on those public works which the present wording of the act seems to exclude.

Would Double Salaries of Judges.

I most earnestly urge upon the congress the duty of increasing the totally inadequate salaries now given to our judges. On the whole there is no class of public servants who do as valuable work, nor whose moneyed reward is so inadequate compared to their work. Beginning with the supreme court, the judges should have their salaries doubled. It is not hefting the dignity of the nation that its most honored public servants should be paid sums so small compared to what they would earn in private life that the performance of public service by them implies an exceedingly heavy pecuniary sacrifice.

It is earnestly to be wished that a method should be devised for doing away with the long delays which now obtain in the administration of justice, and which operate with peculiar severity against persons of small means, and favor only the very criminals whom it is most desirable to punish. These long delays in the final decisions of the courts make the law a mockery, and a remedy should be devised. Much of this intolerable delay is due to improper regard paid to technicalities which are a mockery of justice. In some noted recent cases this over-regard for technicalities has resulted in a striking denial of justice, and a flagrant wrong to the public.

Labor Leaders Criticized.

At our election certain leaders of organized labor made a violent and sweeping attack upon the entire judiciary of the country, an attack couched in such terms as to include the most upright, honest and broad-minded judges, no less than those of narrower mind and more restricted outlook. Last year, before the house committee on judiciary, these labor leaders formulated their demands, specifying the bill that contained them, refusing all compromise, stating that they wished the principle of that bill or nothing. It is a provision that in a labor dispute no injunction should issue except to protect a property right, and specifically to prohibit the use of force by either party. In a labor dispute their bill made legal in a labor dispute any act or agreement between two or more persons that would not have been unlawful if done by a single person. In other words, this bill legalized picketing and boycotting in every form, legalizing for instance those forms of the secondary boycott which the anthracite coal strike commission so unreservedly condemned; while the right to picket in a labor dispute was explicitly taken out from under that protection which the law throws over property. The demand was made that there should be no contempt cases, thereby most seriously impairing the authority of the courts. All this represented a course of policy which, if carried out, would mean the overthrow of the entire judicial system, and the destruction of one of the most essential functions of the judiciary in all civilized countries.

The violence of the crusade for this legislation, and its complete failure, illustrate two truths which it is essential for the men who are to be the first place, they ought to teach the workingman, the laborer, the wage-worker, that by demanding what is impossible he plays into the hands of his foes, and that a gratuitous attack upon the courts, even if they were temporarily successful, would inevitably in the end cause a violent reaction and would do a great deal of harm to the cause of the wage-worker and division of labor, accompanied by an effort to bring about a larger share in the ownership of the tools, of the mill, and factory.

Judicial System Sound.

Our judicial system is sound and effective at core, and it remains, and must ever be maintained, as the safeguard of those principles of liberty and justice which are the foundation of American institutions; for, as Burke finely said, when liberty and justice are separated, neither is safe. There are, however, some men of the judicial body who have lagged behind in their understanding of the great and vital changes in the body politic, whose minds have never been opened to the new life-making principles made necessary by the new conditions. Judges of this stamp do lasting harm by their decisions, because they continue to apply the old law to the new conditions of the land, and are profoundly ignorant of and out of sympathy with their needs, and profoundly ignorant or hostile to any proposed remedy. To such men it seems that the law can have any court decide against them on the ground that it desires to preserve "liberty" in a purely technical form, by withholding liberty in any real and constructive sense.

There are certain decisions by various courts which have been exceedingly detrimental to the rights of wage-workers. This is true of all developed countries that men are, by the constitution, "guaranteed their liberty" to contract to enter a dangerous occupation, or to work an unhealthy or improper number of hours, or to work in unhealthy surroundings; and therefore cannot recover damages when maimed in that occupation, and cannot be forbidden to work when the legislature decides an excessive number of hours, or to carry on the work under conditions which the legislature decides to be unhealthy. Decisions such as these nullify the legislative effort to protect the wage-workers who most need protection from those employers who take advantage of their grinding poverty, and who are unable to interfere with their action, especially as regards the national forests which the nation can now, at this very moment, control.

The lesson of deforestation in China is a lesson which mankind should have learned many times already from what has occurred in other places. Desundation leaves a naked, rocky, and barren cut down to the bare rock, and meanwhile the rock-waste buries the bottomlands. When the soil is gone, men must go; and the process does not take long.

Plea for Inland Waterways.

Action should be begun forthwith, during the present session of the congress, for the improvement of inland waterways—action which will result in giving us not only navigable but navigated rivers.

Until the work of river improvement is undertaken in a modern way it can not have results that will meet the needs of this modern nation. The plan which proposes the best and quick-

est results is that of a permanent commission authorized to co-ordinate the work of all the government departments relating to waterways, and to frame and supervise the execution of a comprehensive plan. Under such a commission the actual work of construction might be entrusted to the reclamation service, or to the military engineers acting with a sufficient number of civilians to continue the work in time of war; or it might be divided between the reclamation service and the corps of engineers. Funds should be provided from current revenues if it is deemed wise—otherwise from the sale of bonds. The essential thing is that the work should go forward under the best possible plan, and with the least possible delay. The time for playing with our waterways is past. The country demands results.

The president urges that national parks adjacent to national forests be placed under the control of the forest service of the agricultural department; he also points out the benefits derived from pure food legislation.

Needs of Secret Service.

Last year an amendment was incorporated in the measure providing for the secret service, which provided that there should be no detail from the secret service and no transfer therefrom. The amendment in question was of benefit to no one excepting to criminals, and it seriously hampers the government in the detection of crime and the securing of justice. The chief argument in favor of the provision was that the congressmen did not themselves wish to be investigated by the secret service. Very little of such investigation has been done in the past; but it is true that the work of the secret service agents was partly responsible for the indictment and conviction of a secretary of a congressman for land fraud in Oregon. I do not believe that it is in the public interest to protect criminals in any branch of the public service, and especially in the secret service force. In investigating members of the congress.

Postal Savings Banks.

I again renew my recommendation for postal savings banks, for depositing savings with the security of the government, and for the great benefit it is to encourage thrift and economy in the wage-earner and person of moderate means. It is believed that in the aggregate that sum of money would be put into circulation through the instrumentality of the postal savings banks.

Parcel Post.

In my last annual message I commended the postmaster-general's recommendation for an extension of the parcel post on the rural routes. The establishment of a local parcel post on rural routes would be of mutual benefit to the farmer and the country storekeeper, and it is desirable that the people, serving more than 15,000,000 routes, should be utilized to the fullest practicable extent.

Education.

With the limited means hitherto provided, the bureau of education has rendered efficient service, but the congress has neglected to adequately supply the means for the preservation and the educational growth of the country. I earnestly recommend that this unfortunate state of affairs as regards the bureau of education be remedied by adequate appropriations. This recommendation is urged by the representatives of our common schools and great state universities and the leading educators who all unite in the most favorable consideration and action by the congress upon this subject.

Statehood.

On the question of statehood the president says:

I advocate the immediate admission of New Mexico and Arizona as states. This should be done at the present session of the congress. The people of the two territories have made it evident by their votes that they will not consent to any other alternative. It is to admit them as two, and I trust that this will be done without delay.

Interstate Fisheries.

I call the attention of the congress to the importance of the problem of the fisheries in the interstate waters. On the Great Lakes we are now, under the very treaty of April 11 of this year, endeavoring to come to an international agreement for the preservation and satisfactory use of the fisheries of these waters which can not otherwise be achieved. Lake Erie, for example, has the richest and most valuable fisheries in the world; but it is now controlled by the statutes of two nations, four states, and one province, and this province by two different ordinances in different counties. All these political divisions work at cross purposes, and in no case can they achieve protection to the fisheries, on the one hand, and justice to the localities and individuals on the other.

Foreign Affairs.

This nation's foreign policy is based on the theory that right must be done between nations precisely as between individuals, and in our actions for the last ten years we have in this matter proven our faith by our deeds. We have behaved, and are behaving, towards other nations, and in private life an honorable man would behave towards his fellows.

Latin-American Republics.

The commercial and material progress of the 20 Latin-American republics is worthy of the careful attention of the congress. The International Bureau of the American Republics is doing a useful work in making these nations and their resources better known to us, and in acquainting them not only with us as a people and with our purposes towards them, but with what we have to exchange for their goods.

Panama Canal.

The work on the Panama canal is being done with a speed, efficiency and entire devotion to duty, which make it a model for all work of the kind. The men on the Isthmus, from Col. Goethals and his fellow commissioners through the entire list of employees who are faithfully doing their duty, have won the right to the ungrudging respect and gratitude of the American people.

Ocean Mail Lines.

I again recommend the extension of the ocean mail act of 1891 so that satisfactory ocean mail lines to South America, Asia, the Philippines, and Australasia may be established.

Hawaii.

I call particular attention to the Territory of Hawaii. The importance of these islands is apparent, and the need of improving their condition and developing their resources is urgent.

The Philippines.

Real progress toward self-government is being made in the Philippine islands. I trust that within a generation the time will arrive when the Philippines can decide for themselves whether it is

well for them to become independent, or to continue under the protection of a strong and disinterested power, able to guarantee to the islands order at home and protection from foreign invasion.

Porto Rico.

I again recommend that American citizenship be conferred upon the people of Porto Rico.

Cuba.

In Cuba our occupancy will cease in about two months; the Cubans have in orderly manner elected their own governmental authorities, and the island will be turned over to them. Our occupancy on this occasion has lasted a little over two years, and Cuba has thrived and prospered under it. Our earnest hope and one desire is that the people of Cuba should be able to govern themselves with justice, so that peace and order may be secure.

Japanese Exposition.

The Japanese government has postponed until 1917 the date of the international exposition, the action being taken so as to insure ample time in which to prepare for the exposition all that it should be made. The American government has last year given to Japan and the postponement will merely give ample opportunity for America to be represented at the exposition. It is a place of great international importance that has been one of greater importance than any other exposition as it does, the fiftieth anniversary of the accession to the throne of the emperor of Japan. The extraordinary leap to the foremost place among the nations of the world made by Japan during this half century something which has not been paralleled elsewhere. I take this opportunity publicly to state my appreciation of the way in which Japan, in Australia, in New Zealand, and in the United States of America, the battle fleet has been received on its practice voyage around the world. The American government has shown a strong interest in the exhibition of the abounding and generous hospitality shown our ships in every port they visited.

The Army.

As regards the army I call attention to the fact that while our junior officers and enlisted men stand very high, the present system of promotion by seniority results in bringing into the higher grades men who are of great capacity who have but a short time to serve. No man should regard it as his vested right to rise to the highest rank in the army on more than one other profession. It is a curious and by no means creditable fact that there should be so often a failure on the part of the public and its representatives to place the greatest credit on the standpoint of the service and the nation of refusing to promote respectable, elderly incompetents. The highest places should be given to the most deserving men without regard to seniority; at least seniority should be treated as only one consideration. In the stress of modern industrial conditions, if those responsible for its management were chosen simply on the ground that they had the longest experience in employment; yet this is the course advocated as regards the army, and required by law for all grades except those of general officer—a matter of fact all of the best officers of the highest ranks of the army are those who have attained their present position wholly or in part by a process of selection.

The scope of retiring boards should be extended so that they could consider general unfitness to command for any cause, in order to secure a far more efficient and more energetic staff, the elimination of officers for mental, physical or temperamental disabilities. But this plan is recommended only if the congress will consent to provide what in my judgment is far better, that is, for selection in promotion, and for elimination for age. Officers who are in the highest ranks of the army should be retired—retired for instance, if a man should not attain field rank by the time he is 45 he should be retired. The present method of retired list. General officers should be selected as at present, and one-third of the other promotions should be made by selection, the remainder by the president or secretary of war from a list of at least two candidates proposed for each vacancy by a board of officers from the arm of the service from which the promotion is to be made. A bill is now before the congress having for its object to secure the promotion of officers to various grades by boards of officers, a process of selection by boards of officers, of the least efficient for retirement with a percentage of their pay to be given to the surviving family. This bill should not accomplish all that should be done, is a long step in the right direction; and I earnestly recommend its passage as one of a more completely effective measure.

National Guard.

Now that the organized militia, the National Guard, has been incorporated with the army as a part of the national forces, it is of the greatest importance to perfect its efficiency. It should be assisted in its instruction and otherwise aided more liberally than heretofore. The organization of many of the well-trained regular officers will be essential in this connection. A bill is now pending before the congress providing for the promotion of officers in the army, which if passed, as it ought to be, will enable more officers to be trained as instructors of National Guardsmen in their military duty. In case of war it will be of the utmost importance to have a large number of trained officers to use for turning raw levies into good troops.

The Navy.

I approve the recommendations of the general board for the increase of the navy, calling especial attention to the need of additional destroyers and colliers, and above all of the fleet oilers. It is desirable to complete as soon as possible a squadron of eight battleships of the best existing type.

I most earnestly recommend that the general board be by law turned into a general staff. There is literally no excuse whatever for continuing the present bureau organization of the navy. The present organization is a purely military organization, and everything should be subordinated to the one object of securing military efficiency. A system of promotion should be established by which officers, by or by exclusion, or by both processes, should be introduced. It is out of the question, if the present principle of promotion is to be maintained, to expect to get the best results from our higher officers. Our men come too old, and stay for too short a time, in the high command positions.

Nothing right for the navy from every standpoint has ever occurred than the cruise of the battle fleet around the world. The improvement of the ships in every way has been extraordinary, and they have gained far more experience in battle tactics than they would have gained if they had stayed in the Atlantic waters. The American people have cause for profound gratification, both in view of the excellent condition of the fleet as shown by this cruise, and in view of the improvement of the cruise has worked in this already high condition. I do not believe that there is any other service in the world in which the average character and efficiency in the enlisted men is as high as in the case in our own.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT.
The White House, Tuesday, December 9, 1908.

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PISO'S CURE

POLICE BATTLE WITH FANATICS

TWO PERSONS DEAD AND THREE FATALLY INJURED IN KANSAS CITY.

Two Others Wounded—"Adam God" and Companions Start the Bloody Conflict—Patrolman and Little Girl Are Killed.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 9.—In the very shadow of the city hall in this city, and less than a half mile from the business center, a riot in which religious fanatics and police were the participants and in which a hundred shots were fired, Tuesday afternoon resulted in the death of one policeman and a little girl, fatal injuries to three and slight injuries to two other persons.

The dead: Albert O. Dalbow, a patrolman; Lola Pratt, aged 13. Fatally injured: John Sharp, known as "Adam God," a street preacher; Michael Mullane, a patrolman; Patrick Clark, a police sergeant. Slightly injured: Harry E. Stege, policeman; George M. Holt, probation officer.

Origin of the Trouble.
Probation Officer Holt, coming upon Sharp, Louis Pratt, Mrs. Pratt and five little children at Fifth and Main streets, where Sharp was exhorting a crowd, accosted the woman and inquired as to the identity of the children. She replied sharply that the officer "had better attend to his own business."

The officer persevered in his inquiries, when "Adam God," whose long, flowing white beard and hair gave him the appearance of a patriarch, struck him a heavy blow behind the ear with a pistol, making an ugly wound, and then tried to shoot him.

Officer Holt rushed into the police station and the police sergeant in charge ordered Patrolmen Dalbow and Stege to go out and arrest Sharp and his followers.

Volley of Bullets from Fanatics.
The religionists were within 50 yards of the police station when the officers stepped into the street. They gave evidence of being in a frenzy of rage, and with profane abuse they served notice on all who chanced to hear that they would preach right "under the eaves of the police station and the police cannot prevent us."

The officers were not expecting serious trouble from such an insignificant band of street preachers, and were not prepared for the volley of bullets which met them almost immediately after they appeared on the scene. Dalbow was killed instantly and a bullet passed through Stege's arm.

In the meantime a riot call had been sounded and policemen were appearing from all directions. The officers closed in on Sharp and his followers, firing as they went, but taking great care not to injure any of the children, and when the firing ceased "Adam God" lay fatally wounded, shot through the head and body.

Killing of Lola Pratt.
The woman and the children escaped and fled to a houseboat where they lived in the Missouri river. The police, 50 in number, followed. The woman barricaded herself in the houseboat, where she defied the officers. The boat was but a few feet from the banks of the river and several of the more courageous officers, taking the woman's challenge, dashed toward it. Taken aback, the woman dropped her gun and, seizing two of the children, she ran to the back of the boat, cut loose a rowboat and began to row into the middle of the Missouri river.

The officers called to her to stop, but she only plied the oars more vigorously. Without another warning the police fired a volley at the boat. One of the shots struck Lola Pratt, aged 13 years, tearing away the greater part of the child's face. She died soon after. The woman then surrendered.

WARNS FLOCK OF HIS DEATH.

Toledo Pastor Calmly Announces That He Cannot Live Long.

Toledo, O., Dec. 8.—"I won't be with you much longer. The doctors tell me that I may live a month, but not longer than six months."

In a voice that showed no more emotion than he might exhibit in one of his regular sermons Rev. John P. McCloskey, assistant pastor of the Church of the Immaculate Conception and one of the best beloved of Toledo clergymen, Sunday told his congregation that his death is near. He informed his listeners that he was suffering with cancer of the esophagus, an incurable disease, and that his physicians had told him an operation would be useless. He is 46 years of age and was ordained 20 years ago.

Capt. Hobson Sues for Slander.

Boston, Dec. 9.—It was officially announced Tuesday that action for alleged slander, returnable in the United States circuit court February 1, 1909, in which \$20,000 damages are claimed, has been brought by Congressman Richmond P. Hobson of Alabama against Congressman John A. Kehler of Massachusetts. The alleged remarks which caused the action to be brought were made during the recent campaign.

Aged Couple Die in Smoke.
Willimantic, Conn., Dec. 7.—Timothy Sullivan and his wife, both well advanced in years, were suffocated by smoke during a fire in their home Saturday.



ARRESTED FOR BIG DIRECTORY FRAUD

HAROLD BURNS, LONG SOUGHT BY POLICE, CAPTURED IN CHICAGO.

Put in Jail at Aurora—Swindle of Which He Was Accused Was Worked on Merchants in Many Northern Illinois Cities.

Chicago, Dec. 8.—Harold Burns, 46 years old, for whom the police have sought for two years on the charge of promoting a million-dollar business directory swindle, was captured in Chicago Saturday afternoon.

He was hurried out of the city by Frank Gibson, a private detective of Aurora, Ill., landed in the Kane county jail, and until Monday the story of his arrest did not come out.

The swindle in which Burns is accused of having been implicated has been worked on merchants in Chicago, Rockford, Joliet, Aurora, Kewanee, Streator and Peoria. It began 15 years ago, but so successful were the operators in covering up their tracks that the first arrests in the case were made two years ago.

Two Are in Prison.
Edward Reeves and Emery Hartzig, said to have been employed by Burns, were captured in Kane county. They were sentenced to Joliet penitentiary, and are now serving indeterminate sentences.

They are said to have implicated Burns in their confessions at that time. The police have been searching for him since.

The detectives learned that Burns was carrying a large amount of money with him. It was said to be the spoils left from the gleanings of the directory promoters. He was to go to Enpro, plant the money, and meet Reeves and Hartzig when their terms in prison expired, the police assert.

Had Started for Europe.

Burns and his wife, who is a beautiful woman, left Chicago one month ago. They went to New York. They were to take a boat from that city to Liverpool.

On the day that the two were to embark for England a message came to Burns that a friend, living in Thirty-first street, in Chicago, and whose name the police of Aurora refuse to disclose, was ill. He was requested to return to Chicago at once. Mrs. Burns was left in New York and her husband took a flyer for Chicago.

Burns arrived at the La Salle street station and was hurried to the home of his ill friend. The Chicago police had no knowledge of his arrival in the city. However, Detective Gibson of Aurora was tipped off as to the man's presence here, and arrested him after a chase.

DR. NORTHPROP TO RETIRE.

Head of Minnesota University Quits at End of College Year.

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 8.—Dr. Cyrus Northrop will retire from the presidency of the University of Minnesota at the close of the present college year. His formal resignation was presented to the regents Tuesday. When it becomes effective he will have completed a full quarter century at the head of the university.

Dr. Northrop is 74 years of age. He feels that he is entitled to a rest and he has made a decision which is final and unalterable.

Haskell Libel Suit Dropped.

Guthrie, Okla., Dec. 9.—Charges of criminal libel preferred against Omer K. Benedict, manager of the Oklahoma City Times, by Gov. Charles N. Haskell, were dismissed here Tuesday. Mr. Benedict was arrested in August last on complaint of Gov. Haskell, who objected to an editorial that appeared in the Times.

Bank Robbery in Portland, Ore.
Portland, Ore., Dec. 8.—The East Side bank was held up by three men and robbed of \$15,000 Monday.

CHURNING.



ITS AFFAIRS ARE TANGLED

FIDELITY FUNDING COMPANY FAILURE IS BAD.

Receiver Says Concern Formed to Finance Catholic Institutions Has \$4,500,000 Liabilities.

New York, Dec. 8.—That the affairs of the Fidelity Funding Company, which was organized under the laws of this state in 1899 to finance the building operations of Catholic churches and allied institutions, and which went into the hands of a receiver a few weeks ago, are in an exceedingly tangled condition, is asserted by the receiver, Thomas F. Giroy, Jr., in a statement made by him Monday.

P. J. Kieran, up to a short time ago president of the company, could not be seen when sought for a statement in connection with the company's affairs and was said to be out of the city.

According to Receiver Giroy, the company's liabilities will aggregate not less than \$4,500,000, with practically no assets. Its creditors include at least 50 churches, seminaries and colleges and many priests and nuns. These are located all over the country, from the New England states to Oregon. Chief among the company's creditors is St. Mary's academy of Nauvoo, Ill., which is involved for at least \$500,000.

As explained by the receiver, most of the Fidelity Funding Company loans were to run for 20 years. In addition to these loans the company also issued life insurance against the lives of priests and nuns. A rate of interest ranging from eight to nine per cent. was charged for both loan and insurance.

The Fidelity Funding Company, it seems, also sold its bonds to representatives of the Catholic church. These are secured, according to the receiver, by mortgages on property, but how much may be recovered from this source it is as yet impossible to say.

DEEP MYSTERY IN DEATH.

Millionaire F. D. Hirschberg of St. Louis Shot and Killed.

St. Louis, Dec. 9.—Millionaire Francis D. Hirschberg, prominent in the Roman Catholic church and a personal friend of Archbishop Glennon, also well known in club and business circles and as a director of the Louisiana Purchase exposition, was shot and killed at his home, 3818 Lindell boulevard, Tuesday.

Whether his death was the result of murder or suicide has not been determined. Members of the family aver that he was the victim of a burglar. The police investigators take the other view, declaring that there was no evidence of the presence of intruders in the palatial home.

Church Council Adjourns.

Philadelphia, Dec. 9.—The first Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, organized to further the movement of unity of action among the Protestant denominations in the interest of spreading the Gospel, adjourned Tuesday to meet in December, 1912, at a place to be selected by the executive council of the organization. Strong resolutions were adopted at the final session in opposition to increased armament by the nations of the earth.

Low Fare Law is Attacked.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 9.—The constitutionality of Pennsylvania's two-cent railroad fare law is again attacked in an equity suit filed in common pleas court here Tuesday by the Pittsburg & Lake Erie and the Pittsburg, McKeesport & Youghiogheny Railroad Companies. The petition asks a preliminary injunction restraining Allegheny county or any of its officials from bringing suit to collect the penalty of \$1,000 for each violation of the fare law enacted in 1907.

Dies at Her Prayers.

New York, Dec. 8.—Kneeling beside her bed, with a religious picture before her and her rosary clasped in her stiffening fingers, Miss Kate Manning was found dead in her room in Fifteenth street. From a overhead gas was escaping.

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Borrowed trouble is the kind we get from our relatives. Its principal ingredients are visits, borrowed money, and presents, advice and expectations. But the real article is produced as follows: Put the sandals of finance on your feet, take your life into your hands and follow by turn the To-Be-Happy Philosopher, the Preacher of Physical Culture and the Apostle of Diet.—Puck.

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THE QUARREL.



Her—Why on earth did you ever marry me?
Him—Oh, don't be so bromidic! That's what everybody asks.

Grown-Up Children.

It is not only the frivolous whom the spirit of childishness is just now leading astray. Silliness is the fashion even among the wise. Women especially affect a kind of childish shrewdness in talking of serious subjects. Like children who have the habit of romancing, they lose the sense of reality, and because they never talk exactly as they think they begin to think exactly as they talk.—London Spectator.

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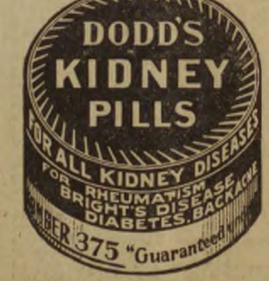
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To feign a virtue is to have its opposite vice.—Hawthorne.

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"Yes, I know, pa; but then—I go to Sunday school—and you don't."

Kicks.
Harry Payne Whitney the day his own and other noted horsemen's racers were shipped from London on the Minnehaha, said of the death of racing in New York:
"A good many jockeys have been hard hit. A jockey told me last week a very sad tale of misfortune. I listened sympathetically."
"Ah, Joe," said I, "when a man is down, few hands are extended to him."
"The jockey as he chewed a straw, smiled bitterly.
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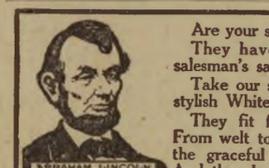
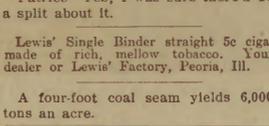
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KINGSTON NEWS

FRED P. SMITH, CORRESPONDENT

Henry Worf of Kirkland spent Tuesday in town.

Alfred Johnson spent last Saturday in Rockford.

Mrs. Allie Pond was a Rockford visitor Tuesday.

Miss Jessie Pond was a guest of friends in Rochelle last Friday and Saturday.

D. B. Arbuckle is in Sycamore this week attending the supervisors' meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bacon called on friends in Kirkland last Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Frank Arbuckle and Miss Polly Branch spent last week Thursday in Chicago.

Joe Kientz, after a year's absence, came from Lemont Tuesday to see friends here.

Ross Gibbs returned to Beloit, Wisconsin, Monday evening after a week's vacation at home.

Mr. and Mrs. George Moore left last Thursday to spend the winter in Texas for the latter's health.

Misses Eva Ludgate of Wheaton came Sunday to hold revival meetings in the M. E. church for two weeks.

The ladies of the Baptist church have decided to hold their bazaar in February, the date to be decided upon.

George Winchester Jr. went to Chicago Sunday where he spent a few days with his sister, Mrs. Daisy Bishop.

Edgar Lettow has been very ill at the home of his parents west of town but is a little better at this writing.

Miss Birdie Drake of Genoa was a guest of her friend, Miss Jessie Parker, last Saturday evening and Sunday.

Supervisor and Mrs. D. B. Arbuckle entertained a few friends Sunday in honor of his cousin of Erie, Pennsylvania.

Mr. and Mrs. Ide Vandenburg were entertained at the home of

their son, Harry, and wife, near Sycamore last Saturday and Sunday.

George Ackerman, Gus and Max Preisner of Chicago were guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Ackerman last week.

O. D. Havens of Oklahoma who had been a guest of relatives in Marengo, came Tuesday to see his cousins, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Bacon.

The second number of the lecture course will be given next Friday evening, Dec. 18. Dr. Bannen of Rockford will lecture on "Sunshine."

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Moyers of Mayfield are entertaining her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. William Harrington of Wyandot, who came last Saturday evening.

Mrs. Laura Gardner and son, Robert, who are here from Fargo, North Dakota, went to Ravenwood last Friday to see her brother, Howard Hitchcock, and sisters, returning Tuesday.

The handkerchief bazaar will be held next Thursday, December 17. Now is the time to purchase handkerchiefs for Christmas. Dinner will be served by ladies of East street. Ice cream and cake for sale in the afternoon.

Fred Collier of Hardington, Nebr., who had attended the stock show in Chicago, and who left Kingston twenty-seven years ago, was calling on friends Tuesday.

His brother, Dan, was ill this week at the home of his aunt, Mrs. Joseph Collier in Kirkland.

The Kingston Camp M. W. A. No. 203 elected the following officers last Friday evening: V. C. Frank Shrader; adviser, Dell Aurner; clerk, F. P. Smith; banker J. F. Howe; escort, L. M. Bickler; watchman, William Sargent; sentry, S. J. Pelz; manager, F. F. Granger; physician, G. W. Markley.

There are fifty-three Sundays in the present year according to the calendar makers. This will not happen again they say for 110 years.

John Luckett is a lucky man. His horse ran away near Irene Thursday, and Luckett was thrown into a ditch at the side of the road. And in that was Luckett lucky. For the horse continued on its mad course for several miles, at Irene ran smash into the side of the fast train on the Illinois Central railroad. If Luckett had been in the buggy at that moment the chances are that he might have gone under the wheels of the rapidly moving train. The horse was not much hurt, being knocked down, a shoe pulled off and being bruised somewhat.

Between \$10,000 and \$20,000 of counterfeit money, mostly of the denomination of \$5 bills, has been put into circulation in Chicago, Aurora, Elgin and other cities near by. If you get a \$5 bill bearing this number, D 47963872, investigate before you accept it.

North Crystal Lake is in the grip of a scarlet fever epidemic, which has been gaining ground for a week or more before physicians discovered the true nature of the disease from which inhabitants are suffering. Already there has been a death from the dreaded disease and several other patients are in a serious condition.

Sunday Services, M. E. Church Class meeting 10:00 a. m. Preaching service at 10:30 a. m. by pastor. Subject "Prayer," the first of a series of sermons on the Lord's Prayer.

Sunday school, 12:00 m. Junior League, 3:00 p. m. Epworth League, 6:30 p. m. Preaching service at 7:30 p. m. by pastor. The orchestra will play at evening meeting. You are cordially invited to all these services.

J. T. McMULLEN, pastor.

Sandwich Boy Fined

The first of the week Game Wardens Manley and Orr arrested H. P. Johnson's fourteen-year-old boy for hunting rabbits without a license. The boy had been hunting on his father's farm and went into the road along the farm to

get at a rabbit and the game wardens came along and claimed he had no right to hunt off the farm without a hunting license. The boy was fined \$25 and costs. —Sandwich Arugs.

A fine of \$200 with a jail sentence pending payment was assessed against William Landon, of Brown City, Mich., charged with misusing one single 2-cent postage stamp, by Judge Swan in the United States Court. The fine is the minimum which the law allows. Landon, it was charged affixed a cancelled stamp to a letter.

James O'Brien, better known as "Sunny Jim," has leased the Abbott building, until recently occupied by Harry McGough, and will open a restaurant and confectionery establishment.

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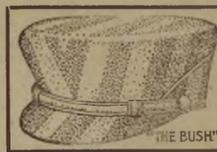


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