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Jan 5, 1925

## Chancellor Marx Unable to Form a Coalition Ministry

European Countries to Make Provision For Their Security—Thames Valley Flooded as a Result of Storms.

### EUROPEAN SECURITY REQUIRING CONSIDERATION.

The whole question of European security will have to be considered shortly by the various nations, in the opinion of British officials, it was learned Saturday. Belgium, it is known, would like some sort of an Anglo-Belgian agreement regarding her security, but it is not likely the British will take up the subject until the question of the peace protocol is disposed of in one way or another next spring.

### MARX FAILS AGAIN.

BERLIN, Jan. 4. Chancellor Marx, replying at the request of President Ebert his efforts to form a stable coalition government, conferred yesterday with the leaders of the Center Party, the People's Party and the Democrats, but all adhered to their previous decision not to join such a coalition. Dr. Marx, therefore, decided it would be impossible to form a coalition ministry that would command a majority in the Reichstag.

### NOVA SCOTIA'S HEAVY FIRE LOSSES.

HALIFAX, N.S., Jan. 3. Fire losses in Nova Scotia during the year 1924 totalled \$2,076,000 compared with \$1,804,000 during the preceding year, according to the annual report of Provincial Fire Marshal

Rudland. There were 1197 fires in 1924 and 1149 in 1923.

### MILLION DOLLAR FIRE IN PHILADELPHIA.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 4. One fireman lost his life, and property valued at a million, was destroyed in a fire that swept through two buildings on Broad Street.

### FRANCE IN GRIP OF THE GALE.

PARIS, Jan. 3. The gale which swept Paris and Northern France yesterday continued during the night, the velocity of the wind here reaching 100 kilometres an hour. Boats from Havre for Caen Trouville and Honfleur were unable to sail and all fishing boats were forced to return to port. At Dunkirk navigation was brought to a standstill.

### HAVOC WROUGHT BY GALE AND FLOOD IN GREAT BRITAIN.

LONDON, Jan. 3. Conditions in the Thames Valley last night owing to gales which were still raging throughout the United Kingdom, defy description. Dozens of hungalows were flooded and their occupants were forced to take refuge elsewhere. The country around Maidenhead and Kingston is a vast lake, even rats have been driven out. At Runnimeade boys wading in the flood have been chasing rats through the canal-like streets. Glasgow reports the worst conditions for a generation or more.

At Egham, Surrey, factory girls were taken too and from their places of work in punts.

### KILLED WHILE SKATING.

NEW GLASGOW, N.S., Jan. 3. Miss Olive Purves, aged 20, of Stellarton; and George Cassidy, a Westville youth, died in hospital here, the former this morning and the latter last night; the two having been injured while skating New Year's Day. Miss Purves fell and struck her head while skating in Stellarton rink and Cassidy sustained a fractured skull from a fall in Westville rink.

### WOMAN BURNED TO DEATH IN NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Jan. 3. One woman was burned to death, two women and a man injured, and more than seven hundred persons were driven from their homes in two fires in Manhattan yesterday.

### TEA INDUSTRY PROSPEROUS.

OTTAWA, Jan. 4. Tea companies in India and Ceylon are now enjoying an era of prosperity unparalleled in the history of the industry, according to a despatch from H. A. Chisholm, Trade Commissioner, who states that this condition is liable to maintain for some years.

### CANADIAN FISHERIES RETURNS.

OTTAWA, Jan. 3. Sea fish caught on all Canadian coasts during November, 1924, increased in volume but decreased in value as compared with November, 1923. In November, 1924, 67,872,300 pounds were taken, valued at \$1,526,123. In November, 1923, the figures were 62,669,600 pounds, valued at \$1,846,568.

### One of the Greatest Features Ever Made

#### "THE COVERED WAGON" TO-DAY.

One of the greatest photoplays ever made, will be the popular verdict when the motion picture public sees James Cruze's colossal Paramount production, "The Covered Wagon," which will be the feature at the Majestic Theatre to-day. This is the production made not only by Mr. Cruze himself, but by those who have seen the picture and who hail it for its bigness, impressiveness and extraordinary realism.

The story with the vast sweep of the western plains for background, across which wind the "covered wagons" with the human freight, is essentially good picture material. The plot is dramatic with the interest well sustained, and the story unfolds like a stirring panorama of an earlier day.

The theme deals with the adventures of a gallant young officer of the American army forced by a rival's enmity to clear his name of an undeserved stain, that of being a cattle-thief, and to win his bride under heavy difficulties. J. Warren Kerrigan is the man, Lois Wilson, the girl, and Alan Hale, the scheming villain. This trio does the major part of the acting, and to them along with the director, goes the credit for this superb production. Others in the cast are Charles Ogle, Ernest Torrence, Tully Marshall, Guy Oliver and John Fox.

The action is exceptionally thrilling, the incidents being dramatic and impressive. These include the fording of the Kaw River by the wagon train, the Indian attack and massacre, the prairie fire, the buffalo hunt, the fierce battle between Banion and Woodhull, the parting of the trains and tragic death of Woodhull. The action is speedy and thrilling.

The patrons are again requested to show up early. The first show will start at 7.15 and the second about 9.30 p.m. The admission to any seat in the theatre is 30 cents. Matinees for ladies and children every afternoon during the week. Don't have it said you missed the greatest story screened, "The Covered Wagon."

### Just Folks.

By EDGAR GUEST.

#### A CHRISTMAS WISH.

I wish you joy this Christmas day—  
Yet one day filled with mirth and cheer.  
Will, oh, so quickly pass away—  
I wish you joy throughout the year.

May peace be yours when night comes down,  
May every good which life can give  
Be yours to bless your home, and crown  
The tasks of every day you live.

Beneath your roof may laughter ring  
And love and merriment abide,  
And may your reap through many a spring  
The blossoms of the country-side.

God grant that you may wake by day  
In strength, the tasks of life to meet;  
May you so singing down the way  
And may your dreams at night be sweet.

Through every day of every year  
This wish of mine I shall renew,  
God keep you safe and hold you dear  
And pour His blessings down on you.

MINARD'S LINIMENT, THE ATHLETIC REMEDY.

### The Wiser Way

I have not joined the "suckers" madly rushing  
To find new wealth. No oily plot is mine.  
I have no dreams of sudden fortunes gushing  
To make my face as shiny.  
In vain the tout puts forth an eager feeler.  
Although my iris holds some hint of green,  
I still continue from my local dealer  
To buy my kerosene.

I have no shares in wonderful fortunes  
Which ought, with luck, to pay me  
cent. per cent.  
(Barring, of course, unlooked-for complications),  
And yet I am content.  
I never yearned, because I knew the danger  
Which later on my guileless head might fall.  
To show my confidence in any stranger  
By lending him my all.

The wretched Spaniard who is forced to languish  
In durance ville, may ply his art.  
His moving story of his wealth and anguish  
Have failed to touch my heart.  
My capital is small, and those who ask it  
Seem scarce to be disinterested friends.  
I drop their pleas in my waste-paper basket,  
And there the matter ends.

—TOUCHSTONE.

### "The Home of First National Pictures"

There arrived in this city during September last Mr. Weinberger, Manager of First National Film Exchange, New York City, to obtain a market for the pictures (the Premier pictures of the Motion Picture Industry) as released by his company. After carefully looking over our field, the Star Movie management was approached, with the result that the "popular Star" obtained the sole rights of exhibition for Newfoundland for those productions.

During the discussion of the business with Mr. Weinberger he emphatically impressed upon all, the fact that whilst their pictures stood in a class by themselves, yet there was one picture that would go down here, as it has in every city where it has been exhibited, as the greatest by far of any yet presented and that picture is "The Sea Hawk," and it is being shown to-night.

Since the departure of the Manager, the company has decided to have erected here, a sign which, like the picture, "in a class to itself," and is an ornament to the city and theatre where it is erected, and is also a benefit to that section of the town around the "popular Star," as it lights up the entire neighborhood, and the residents fully appreciate it. It is being lit to-night for the first time as a fitting opening of "The Sea Hawk," and the vast gathering which will find their way to this theatre will no doubt be loud in their praise of the work.

### WINTER AGAIN.

The autumn's days are going, and winters at the door, and wire-edged winds are blowing from U n a s k a's shore; the winds so keen and chilly have knocked the roses silly, and they have canned the lily, so it will bloom no more. The flowers we love and cherish through all the summer-  
time; but they were born to perish, as other things have died; men say: "Don't have the willies. Don't paw the earth like sillies! The spring will bring more lilies, more blooms will be supplied!" But wherefore all this dying, this passing to the tomb, why they used to bloom? Why all the dirges swelling, why the eternal knelling, and crape in every dwelling, and talk of death and doom? Why all the dead things lying where once should the heron sicken and perish in the fens? Why should the dying chicken make room for other hens? Grim nature's kind of joking keeps all things mundane croaking, while protests come a-smoking from lungs and lyes and pens. Next spring will bring new roses; they'll bloom "nash cloudless skies, to cheer our careworn noses, refresh our weary eyes; but while the storms are booming and not a flower is blooming, there's comfort in assuming that winter dies. Oh, yes, the ill things languish, as well as those we love; they pass away in anguish, the warthog and the dove; the serpent and the kitten, in fate's good time are smitten; the doom of all is written by those who sit above.

### WALT MASON.

A Fine Bit of Strategy.  
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The sort of strategy that parents might use more than they do.  
Not only against vulgarity, but against other objectional traits and habits.  
Children are so used to being forbidden one thing or told that another is wrong that they get a sort of callous spot in their minds to that sort of prodding. They don't react to it the way we'd like to have them. But if you shift the ground of attack and tell them a thing is bad taste, the kind of thing that marks them as underbred, the sort of thing that will make really wise people look down on them, you can often make a much deeper impression.  
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## SIDE TALKS.

By Ruth Cameron.



### THE BAD TASTE ARGUMENT.

A friend of mine who does a little social settlement work was playing the game of "C o n s e q u e n c e s" with a mixed group, when one of the children took advantage to the opportunity to write something that was vulgar and unpleasant.

The leader called a halt in the game and then there gave the children a little talk on the bad taste of vulgarity. She didn't try to make a moral issue of the thing at all. She didn't say it was wrong. She simply said it was bad taste, the sort of thing that made people turn against one, the sort of thing that marked a person as underbred.

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tried to tell her anything; or "you make me sick"; or "no, I won't wear that dress, I don't care what you think." You know the sort of retort. Whereupon Lucy's mother protested and her father threatened punishment but it did little good. And then, one day Lucy heard another girl talk in like manner, and what was more, she heard that other girl criticised by some people whom she admired. "It just sets your teeth on edge," they said, "such bad taste. Too bad, she should spoil the good impression she makes that way." Which point of view gave Lucy's pride a shock. Was that the way people felt about her? They didn't think she was headstrong and independent, they thought she was underbred. That was different. So was Lucy's manner from then on. Not all at once, of course, but gradually. All because she had been appealed to from the viewpoint of good and bad taste, instead of right and wrong.

### Why Not Use Both Arguments?

Some months ago there was an article in the magazine by a man who had tried free love and found it wanting and who said he felt that marriage brought more happiness. A friend of mine was much disgusted with the article. She thought it frightfully immoral, why he admitted having tried free love and only gave it up because he found more happiness in marriage. She couldn't imagine any article more immoral. . . . But was it? The fact that a thing is wrong, and against the laws of society has never sufficed to keep people from doing it. It's obvious enough that free love is wrong. Why then is it immoral to back up that argument by the further argument that you can't get happiness out of it?

Which is just what parents do when they try to make their children realize that any trait or habit is anti-social and apt to make them disliked and looked down on.

### Citizen Knocked Down by Horse

A horse, owned by a man named Welsh, bolted on Water St., west, on Saturday afternoon, and in its mad dash took to the sidewalk and knocked down Mr. R. Fitzpatrick, travelling engineer with the Government Railway, injuring him about the head and shoulders. Mr. Fitzpatrick proceeded to O'Mara's Drug Store and had his injuries dressed, and after a brief rest was well enough to proceed to his home. The horse was captured near the Gas Works, uninjured, and returned to its owner.

Don't forget that raisins should be washed, dried and floured before they are used in cake.

The woman who washes with Pearline saves time and trouble.—Oct 18, m.t

### To-Night's Play

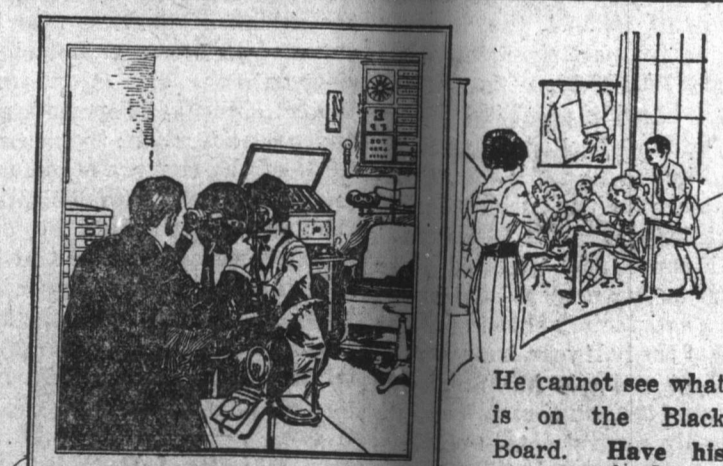
"AN ARIZONA COWBOY."  
St. Mary's Amateur Dramatic Troupe are presenting a strong comedy drama entitled, "An Arizona Cowboy," at St. Mary's Hall, Southside, at 8.15 this evening. The troupe has made two distinct successes during the past two years in "Quarantined" and "Lighthouse Nana." To-night's performance promises to keep the troupe's reputation up to its usual high standard. The G.C.C. Orchestra has kindly consented to assist on this, the opening night, and specialties will be given by well known local artists.

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