

# 'Phone Boy Four Years Ago, Buys Market Seat For \$82,000

## FAIRY-LIKE WALL ST. TALE TOLD

Ben Jacobson to be Made  
Brokers' Partner Next  
Month.

STARTED AT \$15.

Was Earning \$25 in 1919  
and Plugged Along at  
Night School.

New York, Dec. 15.—Another fairy-like tale was written in Wall Street this week, when Ben Jacobson, four years ago a \$25-a-week uniformed page on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange, purchased for \$82,000 the stock exchange seat held by the late Richard W. Poor.

And that isn't all. Next January the brokerage firm of Harris & Fuller, 120 Broadway, one of the oldest in the financial district, will make him a partner.

Thirty-three years old, married and living happily at 705 West 177th street, with a pretty wife and two children, a boy and a girl, Jacobson is well on the road to wealth.

Five years ago he did not have a dime to speak of. In 1919, when 16, he went to work at the stock exchange as a page for \$15 a month. He attended Harlem evening school for seven years. Until 1919 he remained a uniformed page. His salary had been increased to the momentous sum of \$25 a week. Then Harris & Fuller employed him as telephone clerk on the floor of the exchange, and now he has bought himself the \$82,000 seat.

## FORMER ST. JOHN MAN A DIRECTOR

Hon. Manning Doherty Replaces Man Ousted From Farmers' Sun

Toronto, Dec. 14.—Hours of stormy debate tonight by shareholders of the Farmers' Sun resulted in the dropping of Gordon Waldron, K. C., from the directorate of the paper and in his place the election of Hon. Manning Doherty, formerly of St. John, N. B. Three of the former board were re-elected owing to the fact that they had sufficient proxies to retain their power. The two new faces on the board are Messrs. Doherty and Thomas Blinny.

It was charged that the old board had not lived up to the expectations of the rank and file of the U. F. O. members owing to their failure to outline an editorial policy in accord with the deeds of Hon. E. C. Drury when he was Premier. The directors were told they were ruining the paper, that subscriptions were falling off and that there was a deficit on the year's operations.

PINKNEY MITCHELL WINS.  
Milwaukee, Dec. 15.—Pinkney Mitchell, junior welterweight champion, of Milwaukee, won on a foul from Nate Goldsman, Philadelphia, in the fourth round of a ten-round bout here last night.

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## HELP US TO SAVE THESE LITTLE KIDDIES FROM DISAPPOINTMENT



Do you know that there are a thousand children right here in St. John who have not even a hope of wearing a pair of whole stockings on Christmas morning, let alone having one of them filled with gifts? These are the youngsters who inspired The Times-Star Christmas Stocking Fund. Wouldn't you like to awake on Christmas morning with the realization that you had brought even one touch of a rosy sunset into the life of one of these little ones? Let us make the cry, "A Merry Christmas To All," ring true this year.

## Stolen Ring Recovered Before It Is Missed By Rich Owner

Detective Captures Thief After Stirring Chase Through N. Y. Streets.  
New York, Dec. 15.—Detective James J. Gorman walked into a pawnshop in Broadway, Brooklyn, near Putnam avenue, when a five karat diamond ring was under discussion.

"I'll give it to you for \$800," said the client.  
"I haven't the money now, but I'll give you that for it if you'll come in the morning," said the proprietor. The client agreed and asked an honest opinion as to its value.

"It's probably worth \$3,000," said the proprietor.  
The detective took a great interest, especially when he noted that 5 karat ring was in the hands of a man of 4 1/2 karat appearance.

"Hand over that ring," demanded the detective as the client left the store. Detective Cavanaugh, partner of Gorman, put his hand on the man's shoulder. The ring was instantly handed over, but in a second the pawnshop's client had wrenched himself free and was dashing down Broadway.

This is a busy section and it was unusually crowded. Shoppers with big bundles of Christmas packages were picking their way through a mosaic of baby carriages. The fugitive was a small man who could take advantage of every opening. He dove through one ground fast until one of the detectives opened fire into the air.

After two shots there was nearly an open course. The crowd cleared the sidewalks for blocks and the detectives chased on even terms. But the little man was fast and there was still a chance that he would escape. Seeing a chance of shooting without endangering third parties, one of the detectives wounded the runaway in the shoulder. He surrendered.

As they were taking him to the Bushwick Hospital the prisoner confessed that he had stolen the ring. He said that he was Frank Schroeder, 30 years old, a carpenter, of 1603 Atlantic avenue, and that he had stolen the ring from the residence of Mrs. Ida J. Rubenstein at 114 Stratford road in the Flatbush section. Schroeder had been called in to mend a lock. While he was there a maid locked up a jewel chest which contained jewelry worth \$50,000 and put the key under the rug. Schroeder found the key and opened the chest. He was satisfied to take one ring, a fine solitaire worth \$3,000. One of the detectives called up Mrs. Rubenstein.

"We caught the man who stole your ring and we have the ring," he said.  
"But I haven't lost any ring," she said.  
"Do you own a five carat ring?"  
"Yes."  
"Look and see if you have it."  
It took her a few seconds to confirm the fact that she had been robbed and then she hurried to the station where she identified the ring.

The Romans regarded salt as a sacred article of food, hence no other dish was served at the table before the salt was in position.

## ST. JOHN HAD GIVEN \$124,027 TO ORPHANAGE FUND AT NOON FRIDAY.

The Protestant people of New Brunswick are continuing to give expression to their interest in their orphans with substantial gifts. If it was possible to reach everyone who is willing to subscribe, the quota of \$250,000 would be doubled, the executive thinks. There are thousands, the executive believes, who are ready to subscribe but their names are not on the list due to change of address or other causes. The ward workers are bending every effort to find these friends and will continue their work into next week with the determination to reach everyone if possible. Several people who were afraid they might not have an opportunity to help have telephoned to the headquarters and workers have been sent to them. St. John reached \$124,026.80 yesterday at noon and is still adding to its quota. The executive is confident that if the people who will respond can be reached the full quota of \$150,000 for the city will be secured. The grand total for the province up to noon yesterday was \$165,342.

## MORPHINE IS SEIZED IN PORTLAND RAID

Portland, Me., Dec. 14.—More than \$600 worth of morphine was seized, a man and a woman alleged to have been caught in the act of making up a drug for sale, were arrested, and some alleged Portland drug addicts were taken during a raid by Deputy Sheriffs Wheeler and Small and Federal Agents Seannell and Flint on a house at 98A Middle street.

Mrs. Stella Iles, one of those arrested, is said to have attempted to escape through a window after hiding a can of morphine, but was prevented from doing so, while her companion, John J. Lee, was seized by officers as they burst in a door.

The drug was in cans, bottles and "dead" the latter put up to sell at \$1, \$2 and \$2.50, according to markings on envelopes. The seizure was the biggest made here in two years.

While officers were in the rooms making a search, an alleged drug addict came flailing up the stairs, a \$2 bill in his hand and asked one of the deputies how much their "junk" was today.

Deputy sheriffs first discovered the existence of the alleged dope den in the latter part of the month of November, and tried to get a search warrant in the state court, but this was denied by Recorder Wilford G. Chapman on grounds that state laws did not permit searches for narcotics. They were forced to call in aid of federal officials and got a commissioner's warrant.

Sheriff Graham criticized the failure of the recorder to give his men the warrant, stating that, while the law did not allow such searches for dope, he had always stretched liquor warrants to include narcotics in the past.

## SHOT WHEN SHE WOULD NOT SIT UP AND EAT

Louisville, Dec. 15.—Mrs. Mary Albers, 40, was taken to a hospital here suffering from a bullet wound in the abdomen, alleged to have been inflicted by George Albers, 34, her husband, because she had refused to remain up and eat some sandwiches with him.

Farmers in practically any part of the United States can now receive by radio reports of agricultural prices and movements at the leading market centres.

## Bonar Law Fund Is Still Growing

The Bonar Law monument fund now amounts to \$889.75. The names of the latest contributors are: Previously acknowledged \$842.75 J. W. Young Smith, Moncton 10.00 Ferguson Family, Richibucto 10.00 Sir F. Williams-Taylor, Montreal 20.00 Municipal Chapter, I. O. D. E., St. John 17.00

In 1865 the French silk industry had reached the verge of ruin through a fatal disease attacking worms.

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## DIVORCEE TO DISCUSS STEAMSHIP RATE CUT

Conference in Montreal on Monday Over Immigration is Arranged.

SOME SUGGESTIONS

Deputy Minister and Representatives of C. P. R. and C. N. R. to Meet.

Ottawa, Dec. 15.—Questions affecting Canada's immigration policy were discussed at a conference in Montreal, Monday, between W. J. Egan, Deputy Minister of Immigration, and representatives of the C. P. R. and C. N. R. systems.

It is understood that a number of suggestions made to transportation officials at the recent immigration conference held in the capital, will be further discussed.

Most important of these was a suggestion made by Hon. J. A. Robb that transportation companies should reduce steamship rates. He expressed the view that action of this nature would encourage immigration and that the volume of business produced would justify the companies in cutting fares.

It was also suggested that steamship companies refrain from increasing immigrants to their ultimate destination and that they continue selling passage to the port of entry.

This followed a previous suggestion that provinces that they were discriminated against and a plea that the immigrant be disembarked at a Canadian port and allowed to decide where he would go after arrival in the country.

When the Ottawa conference ended, the transportation companies representatives were not prepared to return definite answers to these proposals.

## Iliodor, 'Mad Monk,' Is Tending Babies

Cannot Learn English, So Stays at Home While Wife Goes Out.

New York, Dec. 15.—Iliodor, "the mad monk of Russia," who came here to become a motion picture actor, has found it impossible to learn English and so he stays at home.

Looking after his three children, while his wife, who is a linguist, cooks in a restaurant.

This situation of the monk, who was a power in Russia before the war, was revealed when reporters questioned him about his suit against the Rising Sun Production, Inc., which he charges had molested both himself and the general public. He signed a contract to star in a film for it but so far he has neither acted nor been paid anything.

He asked the newspapers to let it be known that he had a message for Princess Yousouf, wife of the nobleman who came here recently to regain two Rembrandt portraits. Iliodor would not reveal its nature, but said it came from Czar Nicholas at Ekaterinberg, on May 8, 1918.

The fuel of the ancient Romans was almost exclusively charcoal. This was burned in open pans, without grate or flue, and gave economical heat for living rooms and baths.

Some 24 millions of the French are peasant farmers.

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