

FIFTEEN DOLLAR ROOSTER PROVIDED ONE XMAS DINNER

The Parson in a Small Hamlet Made the Object of a Not Too Funny Joke.

Albert, Jan. 1.—An amusing story is being told, and accredited to a pretty hamlet down the shore, where a well-known clergyman went one evening a short time ago to hold divine services, after the usage of his denomination. After placing his will favored horse in a sheltered place and covering it up with the carriage wraps he entered the house of worship, opened the service in the use of several choice selections of sacred songs, which were enjoyed by a goodly number of his auditors, who seemed attentive and responsive, on the eve of the festive season. While the good minister warmed to his service, a trio of youthful non-participants arranged a small programme which was destined to play a conspicuous part in the after-service of the good man. What really happened outside the sanctuary can only be surmised, but the three whom we will call Peter, James and John, did some things—and after the close of the meeting the parson, with a generous collection in his pocket, drove to his comfortable abode, a distance of some five miles. Members in good humor with all the inhabitants of the terrestrial sphere—and, while hunting under the heat of his vestibule for his horse, he became joyously conscious of the fact that the collection jangling in his pocket was not the whole of his good fortune acquired during his trip among the residents of the suburbs when the rays of his lantern penetrated the meshes of the thin grain sack which served as his improvised case, the covering of a fine rooster, made his presence known, and was, in all probability, as loud as the reminder which so distressed the erring apostle.

The parson, thrifty to a degree, a healthy specimen of a canny race, quickly beheld the plump governor of the hen-coop, and by deft hands the donation was made ready for a place in the pantry of the parsonage, and with the rising sun of the next day became a part of the contents of the family oven. The inviting, savory smell of which could not be excelled by the rising incense of any Jewish altar.

Scarcely had the real cooking begun when the sound of approaching footsteps was heard, and a sharp business-like knock was given at the parsonage door, which was quickly opened, and a somewhat flustered female of some proportions entered and made it quickly known that her hen roost had been visited, and her valuable male bird had been taken and carried away, without her knowledge or consent. Explanations ample and sufficient brought a look of almost divine resignation on the face of the visitor, and she made her way homeward where she fortified out the real offenders against her rights and property, with the result that each made good in a good natured manner, with the result that, although throughout the Province of New Brunswick, turkey was retailed at ninety cents per pound, geese and duck a few cents lower, it is a fairly safe bet that only one fifteen dollar rooster

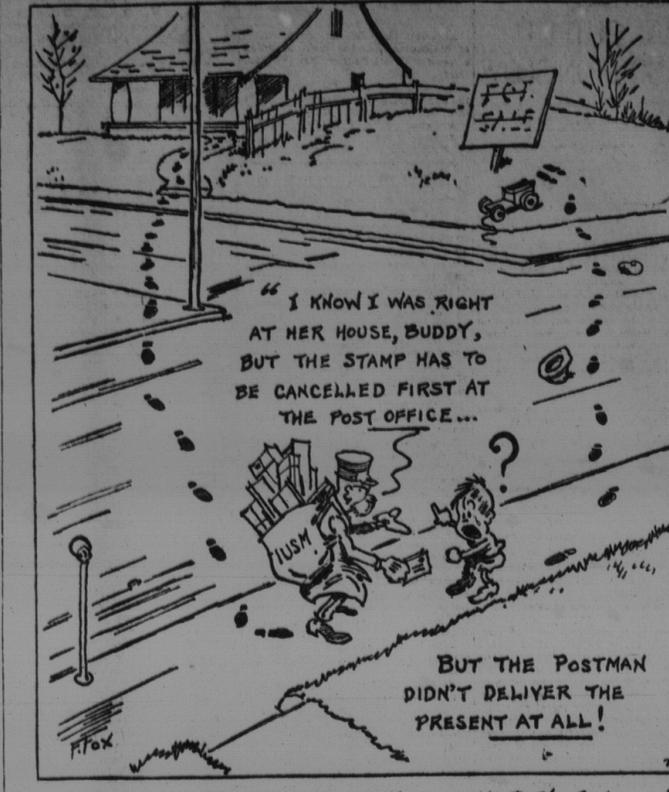
SOVIET ENVOY TO U.S. WILL BE CHIEF TARGET OF SENATORIAL INQUIRY INTO RED PROPAGANDA

Ludwig C. K. Martens, Bolshevik "Ambassador," to be Centre of Investigation of Spread of Radical Doctrines, Which Will Start Shortly After January 1.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 1.—A programme for widespread and thorough investigation of Russian propaganda in the United States was outlined today at a conference between Senator Knox of Pennsylvania; Senator Keown of Iowa, and Alfred Becker, Assistant Attorney General of New York.

Sir Sam Hughes, British War Veteran, Addresses Great War Veterans. Found Fault With Dominion Government for Not Having Investigated Pension Matters More Fully.

Lindsay, Ont., Jan. 4.—Sir Sam Hughes addressed the Great War Veterans here this afternoon and was given a hearty reception. He found fault with the Dominion government for not having investigated the pension matter more fully. Many soldiers had returned to Canada unwounded but suffered so badly so he was unfit to return to his work. The pension board needed a shaking up, he declared.



Jimmy gave his sweetheart's Xmas gift to the Postman and then followed along to see that it was safely delivered.

FRENCH CANADIANS OPPOSE ANY SCHEME OF ANNEXATION

Montreal, Jan. 4.—Bernard Rinfret, editor in chief of Le Canada, one of the leading French-Canadian dailies in this province, addressing the Reform Club here on Saturday said that French-Canadians did not want annexation to the United States. It meant for them possible and quite probable loss of privileges and rights which they now enjoy nor would annexation remedy any of the grievances which exist in provinces other than Quebec.

GRAND RALLY IN CENTENARY CHURCH

All Methodist Young People in City Setting Apart Next Monday—Massed Choir of Campaign Will be Heard.

POLICE COURT CASES SATURDAY

A number of cases came up in the police court Saturday morning. Officer Dykeman gave evidence of having arrested Thomas Petrie and George Drew early on the morning of the 26th, in front of the Edward Hotel.

SOCIAL UNIT PLAN MOST POTENT FOE TO BOLSHEVISM

Advertisement for the Social Unit. Includes a photograph of a group of children and a woman. Text: 'OUR BODIES ARE FIGHTING TO SAVE YOUR LIVES. WILL YOU HELP TO SAVE OURS?' 'THESE KIDDIES MARCHED IN A CINCINNATI CHILDREN'S PARADE OF THE SOCIAL UNIT ORGANIZATION'.

QUOTATIONS IN ST. JOHN MARKET

Table of market quotations for various goods including Groceries, Meats, and Fruits.

OBITUARY

William Weswell. Halifax, N. S., Jan. 4.—William H. Weswell, who was for nearly forty years county clerk, died at his home here last night, aged 89 years.

GOVT BONUSES CAUSE TROUBLE AT FREDERICTON

It was said yesterday that a Committee from the employees would wait upon the Government next week to demand information as to who is responsible for the discrimination in the matter of the bonus, and seek an equitable adjustment.

Advertisement for 'QUICK SERVICE' featuring a cartoon of a man and a woman. Text: 'This is what appeals to the busy man today. And this SERVICE is not only quick, but accurate.'

Gilmour's, 68 King St. The roadside and the chauffeur only escaped by throwing himself to the bottom of the vehicle. Motor owners of the County of Queens have been notified in a circular that motor vehicles will be forced to stop running until the Government order is cancelled.

MARRIED. SCRIBNER-POWELL—Dec. 30th, at Narrows, Queens County, N. B., by Pastor D. Patterson, Jennie E. eldest daughter of the late Clarence W. Powell and Mrs. Almada Powell, to William Harold Scriven, all of Johnson, Queens County, N. B.

DIED. BELVEA—in loving memory of James Lovett Belvea, who departed this life January 3th, 1919. One year has gone, we sadly miss him. Never would I part again.

HOW THIS NERVOUS WOMAN GOT WELL. Told by Herself. Her Sincerity Should Convince Others. Christopher, Ill.—'For four years I suffered from irregularities, weakness, nervousness, and was in a run-down condition. Two of our best doctors failed to do me any good. I heard so much about what Lydia E. Pinkham's Compound had done for others, I tried it and was cured. I am no longer nervous, am regular, and in excellent health. I believe the Compound will cure any female trouble.'

Advertisement for 'MARITIME DENTAL PARLORS' located at 38 Charlotte Street, St. John, N. B. Text: 'We make the best Artificial Teeth in the city at most reasonable prices. Painless Extraction only 25 cts. Crown and Bridge Work in Gold and Porcelain. DR. H. B. NASE is a member of our staff. Office hours: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily. Phone 2789-21. Drs. McKnight and McManus, Prop.'