

COUNTY'S REPLY BEING PROBED

Treasurer Bell Takes Up Question of Payment for Huron Pupils' Education.

COVERS TWO YEARS

The Huron county council has questioned its liability for the payment of an account of \$869.53 as payment of the cost of educating certain students from that county in attendance at London's secondary schools.

As treasurer of the board of education James Bell is looking into the question raised by the Huron council.

The account covers 1922 and 1923 during which years six and seven students, respectively, attended the London collegiate institute, at the same time being residents of Huron county.

In a letter to Treasurer Bell the Huron council states that "our county solicitor is of the opinion that the law, as applied to so-called 'adjacent' counties, on which your account is based, does not apply to pupils who pass by their own town school, or their nearest school to attend one in another city or county."

The section of the schools and amendments act of 1921 under which the charge is levied is as follows:

Section of Act.
(1) "Where the board of a city or separated town has notified the clerk that the high school is open to county pupils on the same terms as high schools in the municipalities not separated from the county are open to such pupils the county council shall, on or before, the 15th day of December in each year, pay a sum equal to 8 per cent of the cost of education of county pupils at such high school."

(2) "Where the board of a city, town, village or township has notified the clerk that the high school is open to that in which the school is situated that such high school is open to pupils resident in such adjacent county pupils, the council of such adjacent county shall, on or before, the 15th day of December in each year, pay for the education of pupils from such county attending such high school a sum equal to 8 per cent of the cost of education of such pupils at such high school."

The recommendation of the education committee of the Huron county council at its meeting last week explains the stand taken by the council in the matters as follows:

Committee Recommendation.
"Re request and accounts of Central collegiate institute, London, also South London account, for Huron county pupils, amounting to \$869.53, we recommend that these accounts be not paid, as our solicitor thinks the act was never intended to apply to pupils passing out from their adjacent high schools, and as a matter of convenience going to high schools in adjacent counties."

"We further recommended that, in case these outside points are upheld, that parents are allowed by the act to select a costly, highly-equipped collegiate or high school and charge this up to the county, it becomes high time for this council to memorialize the legislature to have the act amended, as we contend the act is only applicable where a pupil is more accessible to an outside county high school than to one situated in his own county."

Treasurer Bell comments upon the point raised as both new and interesting. He points out, however, that the amount in question will have to be met by either the county or the students concerned and thus, in either case, the local board of education will not stand to lose anything.

FORMER N. Y. GOVERNOR DIES.
Special to The Advertiser.
Albany, Dec. 15.—Men and women in all walks of life today are mourning the death of Martin H. Glynn, former governor of New York, and one of the foremost editors of the nation, who died suddenly at his home here late yesterday afternoon.

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MARK GOLDEN WEDDING.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Kingston of Bothwell celebrated this event on Saturday last. They have been residents of Bothwell for many years, and Mr. Kingston has been an Advertiser subscriber for more than 40 years. Baptism of grandchildren was a feature of the gathering at the Kingston home.

News From City Churches

ASKIN SENIOR M. B.
Miss Ruth Millard presided over the Christmas meeting of the senior mission band of the Askin street Methodist church, which was held at the home of Miss May Kenneron, Erie avenue, last night.

Christmas carols were sung by the girls. Miss Beatrice Smithson sang a delightful solo, with a violin accompaniment played by Billy Young and Leonard Smithson. Miss Mary Kenneron contributed a splendid piano number, and during the evening, Mrs. E. Boughner dropped in at the meeting to read the girls' Christmas story. Reports for the past few months were given by the secretary, Miss Clara Courties, and the treasurer, Miss Marion Orchard, gave a very good financial report. The shower the girls had arranged was sent to the needy families and was much appreciated. The conclusion of the meeting a social half-hour was enjoyed by the members.

CENTENNIAL W. M. S.
The W. M. S. of the Centennial Methodist church are meeting this afternoon at the church for their regular meeting. A meeting will be held in the church tomorrow night for the organization of the ladies, when plans will be discussed for the conference, which is to be held in the Centennial Methodist church in May of the coming year.

DIADEM BELL M. C.
The members of the Diadem Bell mission circle of the Southern Congregational church held their regular meeting recently when the following officers were elected for the coming year: Hon. president, Miss Eunice Hilton; president, Miss Alma Gilchrist; vice-president, Miss Ruth Ruddock; secretary, Miss Velda Rodda; treasurer, Miss Doris Anderson; missionary reading, Miss Beatrice Fox; roll call clerk, Miss Mildred Hawke; music, Miss Gussie Leiselt; press reporter, Miss Frances Hodgins; and pianist, Miss Doris Anderson. Mrs. William Powell is the superintendent. During the meeting the girls voted \$15 for mission work, and a baby shower was held recently in aid of a very needy family.

WELLINGTON STREET LEAGUE.
The members of the league of the Wellington street Methodist church held their regular meeting last night, under the direction of the citizenship department. Bonmas, a very suitable and interesting talk, and Miss Julia Sampson gave the league with a piano solo. At the conclusion of the meeting, names were enjoyed by the young people.

KNOX Y. P. S.
The regular meeting of the Young People's Society of the Knox Presbyterian church, held last night, took place in the form of an executive meeting, when a new president, Stuart Kennedy, was appointed to take the place of John Argo, the past president. A new officer has also been appointed, and Miss Evelyn Haylock will be the missionary secretary. It is the purpose of the Y. P. S. to go more deeply into the study of the missionary work of their church in the coming year, and this new venture of the society makes this office possible. Plans were also discussed for the program of the coming year, and at the conclusion of the business session games were enjoyed in the gymnasium.

ALL SAINTS' CONCERT.
The members of the Sunday School of All Saints' church are having their annual Christmas concert next Monday night at the church, when a good program and a good time is promised for the young people of the church, and the older folk as well.

ST. DAVID'S A. Y. P. A.
The members of the A. Y. P. A. of St. David's Anglican church are doing a real service to humanity this year, for on Christmas Day they are entertaining the poorer children of the east end district at a party. On New Year's Eve the weather being favorable, the young people have planned to have a sleigh-ride party.

DUNDAS CENTRE LEAGUE.
The members of the league of the Askin street Methodist church were last night the guests of the league of the Dundas Centre Methodist church for their regular meeting, when a debate, "Resolved, that environment of 100 years ago was more conducive to good living than it is at the present time," The affirmative was taken by Mr. Bullitt and Miss Lillian Robinson of Askin street league, and Miss Edna Purdy and Arnold Ward of Dundas Centre supported the negative. Dr. S. P. K. Reynolds, Dr. E. E. Wilson and J. W. Showler acted as judges, and awarded the winning points to the Dundas Centre debaters. During the evening, Miss Annie Ward delighted the members of both leagues with several piano solos, and at the conclusion of the event a social hour was spent in games and in the direction of Frank Adams, when light refreshments were served under the direction of the Misses Margaret and Dorothy Lettney.

The league will not hold another meeting until the first Monday in January.

CENTENNIAL LEAGUE.
There was a very large attendance at the regular meeting of the League of the Centennial church last night, when Miss Jean Dundas took the leadership. The lesson was read by

RALPH CONNOR SPEAKS AT RYERSON SCHOOL

Noted Canadian Pastor-Author Will Address Audience on Church Union.

London is being honored today by a visit by Rev. Charles W. Gordon, D.D. (Ralph Connor), Winnipeg, who will deliver an address on church union in the auditorium of Ryerson public school this evening.

The meeting at which Dr. Gordon is to speak has been arranged under the auspices of the union committee of New St. James' Presbyterian church, North London.

Rev. D. C. MacGregor, D.D., of St. Andrew's church, and Rev. William Beattie, D.D., of First Presbyterian church, two of the leading unionist advocates in Western Ontario, will be present and take part in the proceedings.

The choir of New St. James', under the direction of Percy Q. King, will be present and assist in the service. E. W. Grove, chairman of the union committee, will act as chairman of the meeting.

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TORONTO "ANTIS" WILL SPEAK HERE TONIGHT

Rev. D. T. L. McKerrill, of Victoria Presbyterian church, Toronto, and Mrs. H. R. Horne, Toronto, will be the speakers at the anti-union meeting to be held in Knox Presbyterian church, South London, this evening.

The meeting is being held under the auspices of the non-union committee of Knox church. Mr. McKerrill is well-known as one of the leaders of the anti-union cause, while Mrs. Horne has played a prominent part in the campaign in Toronto amongst the women's organizations.

The unionist organization in Knox church will hold a meeting on Thursday evening, which will be addressed by Rev. D. C. MacGregor, D.D., of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church.

WILLING WORKERS' M. B.
The regular meeting of the Willing Workers' Mission band took place as usual at 4:15 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Owing to the illness of the leader, Mrs. H. Maule, Mrs. E. Mitchell, and Mrs. M. T. Mitchell took charge of the meeting. The afternoon was opened with the singing of a hymn, followed with a prayer by Mrs. Mitchell. The lesson was read by Helen Mitchell, and Irene Burnett, the secretary, read the minutes recently when the financial report was given by the treasurer, Helen Mitchell, after which the roll was called by Janet Maule, who also sang a delightful little solo for the members.

The members of the band regret the illness of Mrs. H. Maule and little Bobby Aldis, who is seriously ill with scarlet fever, and decided to hold each of the shut-ins a card. During the afternoon the little people cut out pictures for the scrapbook and sewed, quilted, and knitted. The meeting closed with prayer and light refreshments were served.

ST. MARK'S A. Y. P. A.
The regular business meeting of the A. Y. P. A. of St. Mark's Anglican church was held last night, with the president, John Mirehouse, in the chair. It was decided at the meeting to remember the sick during Christmas, and a nominating committee was appointed, including Miss Pearl Ashworth, Rev. A. L. Beverley and Miss Lillian Moss. This committee will bring in its report on nominations at the next meeting of the association, which will be held the first Monday in the new year. As the objective in finance has not been reached this year, the members are planning for a play, which they will present early in the new year.

ALL SAINTS' A. Y. P. A.
The regular meeting of the young people's association of All Saints' church took the form of a social evening last night, when Joe Simms was in charge of the games, giving the young people an evening of fun, which was greatly enjoyed. A feature of the event was a guessing contest, with Miss Irene Sims and Kenneth Rice as winners. The evening closed with light refreshments, served under the direction of Bill Welton.

The A. Y. P. A. will attend the watch night service at All Saints' church on New Year's Eve.

COLLECTIONS MERGER SUGGESTED BY TOWE
Retiring Alderman Says Plan Would Save Money in Tax Systems.

An arrangement with the federal government whereby municipal and dominion income tax could be collected at the same time, so as to save time and trouble, is the suggestion of Ald. Allen Towe, one of our retiring councillors from ward one.

Ald. Towe points out that at present there is much overlapping of expense in collections. While there are some variances in amounts of exemptions and that sort of thing, the municipal and dominion systems are nearly alike that Ald. Towe believes that one set of collection officials could handle the job.

In the opinion of the ward one alderman, the city could engage the dominion officials to handle city tax collecting in this particular phase.

DR. STEVENSON GIVES 3 RACCOONS TO ZOO
The public utilities commission acknowledged the gift of three raccoons to the Springbank park zoo.

The animals were presented by Dr. H. A. Stevenson, 391 Dundas street. The raccoons, Dr. Stevenson's first gift made to the zoo, were raised by him, and are particularly fine specimens of the breed.

Incidentally the raccoons will take the place of those which were killed and carried off in the raid made on the zoo Monday night.

The Advertiser's Expedition To Santa Claus Land

DAILY NEWS DESPATCH NO. 3.

By CAPTAIN ELIJAH SQUINT.

The only explorer who ever found the end of a gopher hole; leader of The Advertiser's expedition to Santa Claus Land.

By Courier Goose to The Advertiser.

Hotel Charlotte Russe, Dec. 15.—We slid down a pole, like the ones firemen use, from the rock candy cliff into the hotel lobby. The clerk was a jolly fat boy, who had a way of bouncing, instead of walking. He had a plum-colored suit with ginger-snap buttons. As he bounced over the desk and came toward us, we saw that, instead of a pen, he had a jack-knife over his ear, with the big blade open.

"Register, please," he said, handing me the jack-knife.

"Where?" I asked.

"Oh, just cut your initials somewhere," he answered bouncing back over the desk again.

The hotel was decorated with French pastry designs. We saw a big panel of icing and began to cut out initials on it.

"You can make hearts and arrows, too, if you want to," said the clerk.

So we made beautiful designs. I saw that his was the best, but I think mine was.

"Pogo-sticks in the corridor to the right," said the clerk, putting the jack-knife back over his ear.

We went to the pogo-stick desk. It was kept by a nice old lady who was practicing on a mouthorgan.

When she had given us each a stick, I said:

"Now what do we do?"

"These are your elevators," she said. "This hotel is all hollow, so you just bounce up to whatever balcony you want. What floor are your rooms on?"

"Seventy-five."

"Just a moment," she said. "We have a slogan for each floor." She was turning over the pages of a huge book. "Oh, yes, here it is. Now get ready with your pogo-sticks. Say it after me, and then bounce on your sticks."

"Seventy-five. Skin 'em alive."

We said it after her and bounced on our pogo-sticks, and on the second bounce we shot up and landed lightly as a feather on the balcony of floor seventy-five. I had scarcely

settled myself in my room, which was done in peche Melba design, when a messenger bounced in through the window. He gave me a beautiful frosted paper with a tiny sleigh bell on each corner. On the paper was written:

"Santa Claus will be pleased to receive Captain Elijah Squint and his companions in the royal palace at 10 o'clock tomorrow."

(To Be Continued.)

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(TWO MONTHS LATE)

A London merchant makes a last-minute purchase of wrist watches that arrived late to hope to sell at regular prices before Christmas. Being Johnny on the spot, he thinks quickly, makes an offer and will sell at \$1 profit for two days. These are some of the best watches made, such as Gruen, Mars, Madix, Waltham and Elgin. Of course, John A. Nash, My Jeweler, London and Windsor, "where you will eventually buy,"—Adv.

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CRONYN CHOR CONCERT THRILLS

Recital on Occasion of 51st Anniversary Is Brilliant Event.

REV. CLARKE SPEAKS

The choir of the Cronyn Memorial church, appearing last night in recital on the occasion of the fifty-first anniversary of the church, presented a service of praise which was indeed worthy of the occasion. The voices, led by Clarence E. Gilmour, were heard in beautiful harmony in the old church music which has stood the test of many years.

It was an effective opening—Mendelssohn's chorale, from the great "Hymn of Praise," "Let All Men Praise the Lord" sung from the great gallery. The choir out of sight, gave a rendition which was subdued and beautiful.

This and the rest of the choral numbers were sung with precision and artistic finish. The choir was in excellent voice, and was immediately responsive to the direction of Mr. Gilmour.

Douglas Fetherstone was the assisting artist. His violin playing, especially, was exceptionally brilliant last night. He was heard in Schubert's "Litanies for All Souls' Day" and in the Chopin-Wilhelms "Nocturne Op. 27, No. 2." In the Schubert number, particularly, he displayed the fine singing quality of his playing.

The program also included an interesting talk on church music by the Rev. A. L. G. Clarke, while the rector read Everson's.

Among the choir numbers, one of the most difficult and at the same time brilliantly rendered was the "T. Tertius Noble" selection, "Pierce Was the Will Willow."

There was the Bach "Chorale Prelude," "Sleepers, Wake, a Voice Is Calling" and Bachmann's setting to the twenty-fifth psalm, "To Thee, O Lord." In this latter number Miss Element, soprano, took the solo part.

Outstanding was the herding song, from the Russian church choir, "Gretchen's Song." The beautiful and haunting quality of this music was effectively brought out by the singers.

Mr. Gilmour's organ number, Beethoven's "Toccata in C Minor," was one of the finest of the evening. It was brilliantly played from the first notes to the magnificent climax, calling for all of the resources of the modern organ.

981 SCHOOL CHILDREN BETWEEN 10-11 YEARS

Interesting Fact Disclosed in Annual Census of Inspector Greer.

There are 981 children attending the city public schools who are between the age of 10 and 11, and of this number 371 are in grade VI. The above is only one of many interesting facts gleaned from the table which classifies the pupils as to grades and ages in the annual census now being completed in the office of Senior Inspector V. K. Greer.

There are 212 children between the age of 1 and 5, 130 between the age of 15 and 16, and only 10 between the age of 16 and 17.

The average age in years and months of the pupils in the different grades throughout the schools is as follows: Kindergarten, 5.1; grade I, 6.2; grade II, 7.7; grade III, 8.3; grade IV, 9.2; grade V, 10.3; grade VI, 11.7; grade VII, 12.7; grade VIII, 13.5, and auxiliary classes, 12.3.

PUZZLES EMPHASIZE NEED OF DICTIONARIES IN HOTELS

Travelling men speak highly of the work of the Glendon society in providing Bibles for every hotel bedroom on the continent. The road book has increased in popularity and usage through the kindness of the Glendon. But now the travelling man is in need of another publication whenever he drops into a new town. He is searching for some organization or society which will follow the suit of the Glendon and provide another well-known volume for hotel rooms. Cross words puzzles call for dictionaries, it is said. And they are always missing around hotels. In recent weeks London hoteliers have had to turn down numbers of requests for the precious volumes.

FOUND CARRYING BOTTLE, MAN TAKES JAIL TERM

Charles McGuire could offer Magistrate A. H. M. Graydon no reasonable excuse when he appeared in court today for having a bottle of liquor in his possession at a local hotel last night. The minimum penalty, \$200, and costs of three months in jail, was imposed, and McGuire took the jail term rather than pay for his breach of the O. T. A.

He declared that he carried the liquor because he had been suffering from the grip, but Magistrate Graydon pointed out that a hotel was not a place to seek relief from the illness.

SNAPSHOTS OF A MAN WAITING FOR AN ELEVATOR



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CONCESSIONS GRANTED ARE COMPLEMENTARY

Dominion High Commissioners Will Be Exempt From British Taxes.

Associated Press Despatch. London, Dec. 16.—The concessions which the chancellor of the exchequer, Winston Churchill, proposed to grant to the dominion high commissioners in London, putting them on a par with foreign ambassadors with regard to exemption from British taxation, as announced by the colonial secretary, Lieut.-Col. L. C. Amery, at the Canadian club dinner here last night, will be complementary to the dominion high commissioners, and will consist of exempting them from the income tax on any remittances received through foreign investments.

The official salaries of the dominion high commissioners and the agents-general of the provinces already are exempt from income taxation. The proposed exemption will likely apply to the high commissioner's private as well as official automobiles. Hon. P. C. Laflin, the Canadian high commissioner, uses only his private cars.

The high commissioner's private baggage hereforth will be exempt from the customs without even a superficial examination. It is understood here that the Canadian government will press strongly for the exemption of the new Canadian offices in London from taxation on the same lines as the embassies of foreign powers. This is thought to be considered by the British exchequer as a far-reaching precedent and possibly there may be some hesitancy in the exchequer acquiescing in the request.

FAIR WORK PROVIDES FUEL FOR CITY POOR

More Than 100 Loads of Lumber Distributed Among Families.

Thanks to lumber which has been left over in the reconstruction of the city, more than 100 loads of firewood have been provided poor families of the city. The supply is now exhausted, and the city will have to look to other sources if further relief in this line is needed.

Old hemlock boards in some cases found unsuitable for use in reconstruction. The lumber was split up too much to use again. Another reason was a low chert at the rear of the cattle buildings. This wood was staved out as fuel by the relief department, the city engineer informed.

Very little new lumber is needed by the city engineer's department to complete the job of rebuilding sheds, a few cedar posts being the only expenditure to date.

EVANGELIST WILL OPEN SERVICES IN CITY CHURCH

Evangelistic services under the leadership of Dr. H. T. Crossley of Toronto are to be held in the Centennial Methodist church in the coming year. The services open on Dec. 28, of this year, and will continue for some weeks.

Dr. Crossley has been in the evangelistic work for the past 40 years. He is a well-known man in both Canada and the United States where he has been very successful in his work. At present he is in New Brunswick, and his first Ontario campaign will open in London at the Centennial Methodist church. Dr. Crossley will be assisted by his song leader, Mr. Leonard, who is also well-known.

GLENCLOVA WILL REMAIN AT PORT FOR THE WINTER

The Glenclova, the large grain boat at Port Stanley has been officially ordered to remain there all winter. The crew of the boat, as is the custom, will leave shortly for their respective homes, and only a keeper will be left in charge of the ship during the winter months.

Poison Liquor Claims 9 Lives

Associated Press Despatch. New York, Dec. 16.—The death toll from poison liquor during the past three days amounted to nine with the death of Abram Botnoy in a Brooklyn hospital. Sixty-seven other poison victims were in Bellevue hospital. Twelve of them are not expected to live.

REVENGE ON FACULTY BREWED BY STUDENTS

Startling Disclosures Promised For Western "Lit" Show.

"Revenge is sweet" say students of the college of arts of the University of Western Ontario, and "Revenge will soon be ours."

As a result of faculty whimsicalities of their fellow-students last Friday night, when the "Faculty Follies" took place, the staff of the Western "Lit" Gazette plans to stage a comeback Friday next at the annual Christmas "Lit" Under the leadership of Jim Dean, chairman of the Gazette skit committee, the college journalists are rapidly rounding into shape, and are planning to pay off grudges of years' accumulation.

Advertisement of the Christmas "Lit," the chief yearly event of the university literary society, bear out laconic and non-committal remarks that there will be a "skit, Christmas tree, eats, dancing." This, coupled with the air of mystery surrounding the Gazette's rehearsals, secretly held behind closed doors, with the cub reporter on guard outside, is giving the student body lots to talk about and sundry professors, whose wise cracks were too pointed, lots to worry about.

The Gazette skit committee includes Jim Dean, chairman; Herb Uren and Robert Shaw-Wood, editors, in "ex-officio" capacity. The program of the Christmas "Lit" is under the supervision of Mark Auden, senior representative on the literary society.

UNIVERSITY HOLIDAYS WILL START SATURDAY

Christmas holidays start at the university on Saturday, when the students will cease to attend lectures until Monday, Jan. 5. In the common room in the college of arts today some of the students were talking over their plans for the two weeks' vacation. There was considerable wondering as to whether entertainment should rule during that time for the two weeks of examinations, which have to be passed shortly after their return to college, is something to think of. Several students came to the conclusion that a little plugging over the holidays would enter into their program.

WILL ATTEND COURSE

Nineteen young men and women signed up at Komoka last night to attend the short course in agriculture to be held in that village from Jan. 5 to 30. The course is under the direct supervision of R. A. Finn and John Andrews of the Middlesex branch of the department of agriculture.

PORT DOVER FISH TUGS NET 114 TONS IN ONE DAY

Fishing at Port Dover is proving popular and the fishermen from Port Stanley report successful catches. The total catch of all the boats for one day last week in the Port Dover harbor was 114 tons. This is considered to be a big record among the lake fishermen.

Most of the boats left the dock this morning as the lake was calm.



Pola Negri, the screen's foremost emotional actress, portrays the title role at the Capitol today, and Wednesday in "Forbidden Paradise."

HOLIDAY GAZETTE IS SPLENDID WORK

University Staff Wins Praise For Christmas Number of Magazine.

Alive with the Christmas spirit, the holiday number of the Western U. Gazette, official paper of the University of Western Ontario, made its appearance today.

Greetings from the deans, Dr. W. Sherwood, dean of the college of arts, and Dr. Paul S. McKibben, dean of the medical school, appear on the front page under a cheery Christmas design. Along with these is a Yuletide message from the prefect, Grant W. L. Wiley.

There are several cartoons. One shows the editorial staff, under the leadership of Peter that heaven may be all right but "Has he seen the new university building?" This cartoon by Tom Sampson won first prize. Other features are news items of the week, jokes, and letters to the editor. The Christmas number of the Gazette is a splendid piece of work and reflects credit upon the staff of the editors, who devote considerable time to getting out the first-rate student paper.

The editorial staff includes: Robert Shaw-Wood, editor; A. L. Storey, associate editor; Prof. Fred London, consulting editor; women's editor, Miss Kathleen Richardson; local news editor, G. R. Stott; sports editor, Cecil L. Snyder; literary editor, Cecil L. Snyder; sports, C. Elliot, H. A. Stewart, J. E. Dean, N. J. T. Bigelow, Art Reid, Misses Margaret Goodwin and M. Jordan.

The secretary-treasurer is James Humphries, B.A.; business manager, Eugene Durant, F. N. O. and William Hall are in charge of advertising.

NOTED CITY MUSICIAN, MICHAEL VITA, IS DEAD

The death of Michael Vita, one of London's best known musicians, occurred early this morning at his residence, 122 Queen's avenue. Mr. Vita was born in Italy 42 years ago, and had resided in London for the last 30 years.

He was formerly harpist in the Tony Vita orchestra, where he remained for many years. He died of a severe shock to his system, Mrs. Vita, one sister Mary at Joseph Vita, one brother, Anthony and Frank, both of this city.

The funeral will be held Thursday morning from the late residence to St. Peter's cathedral, where requiem mass will be sung at 9 o'clock. High mass will be sung at 10 o'clock. Interment will take place in St. Peter's cemetery.

GRADE IMPROVES

Some 1,400 tons were shipped out of Middlesex county last week, according to government figures arriving at the department of agriculture office this morning. Of this number, 20 per cent were graded as select, but 80 per cent were graded as inferior on the previous week, when the percentage was but 17.

The largest shipments were made from Komoka, where 213 tons were loaded on the cars. Hartsville was next with 198.

BOY SCOUTS BUSY

The boy scouts of the city are again busy today collecting funds from sources that have hitherto been overlooked.

Fourteen troops are engaged in the work, and it is possible that \$2,000 objective can be raised in the next two days in the campaign.

THOMAS FURNITURE CO. BUYS NEW BUILDING

Dickinson-Nicholson Premises Obtained for Business Expansion.

The Thomas Furniture Company has purchased the Dickinson-Nicholson building, Richmond street, from Colonel W. G. Coles and will move the store to that location in the near future. Tenders for the remodeling of the new building have been called for, and the contract will be let by tonight, it is expected. W. G. Murray is the architect.

While the cost of this remodeling will be in the neighborhood of \$15,000, the price of the building is \$10,000. Of this the building has been vacant for some time, and several offers have been made for it recently. The Thomas Furniture Company is looking on with favor by the company, and when the alterations are concluded will be one of the finest stores in the city.

MERCURY REGISTERS FALL 84 DEGREES IN 12 HOURS

Associated Press Despatch. Great Falls, Mont., Dec. 16.—A temperature drop of 84 degrees in 12 hours was registered yesterday from noon to midnight at Fairfield. George Sandford, director of the sun observatory project at Fairfield, announced the drop today. At noon Sunday the government thermometer stood at 63 above zero. At midnight it was 21 below. This, he said, was the greatest drop in 12 hours ever recorded by the United States reclamation survey during its history in this part of the state.

SOUVENIR HOUNDS COST CAFES \$3,000 ANNUALLY

Spoons Fall Prey to Eager Hunters, But Other Silverware Goes, Too.

CARE NOW TAKEN

Restaurant Owners Philosophical, But Also Determined to Check Losses.

Some people are born lucky with a silver spoon in their mouth and others pick up the silver spoons as they go. This is a literal fact, according to some London owners of cafes and restaurants. One of these bonifaces told The Advertiser this morning that he had lost over \$300 worth of spoons since the spring. He was not particularly indignant about it, but he observed that he had no longer put spoons in the sugar bowls or left them lying about carelessly where they could be seen and "swiped."

This comfortable-looking chap is not only the capable owner of a food emporium but is also a diplomat of the first water. "Of course," he says, "it's not Londoners who take my spoons, it's those travelers and tourists. No Londoner would do anything like that. Well, who are they? Where do they come from? Where did they eat last? Who knows?"

He shrugged his shoulders vastly as if lifting the weight of all the oppressed keepers of taverns and chop houses on the continent. He said, "Canaille, that's what they are. Dogs and pigs. But they'll get no more of my spoons." He was a human after all and he had lapsed into the vernacular of Angli-Saxonism in his peroration. "I hope they choke when they use 'em, that's all," and he went back to see how the chef was getting on with an order of shoestring potatoes which a budding journalist had ordered as a filler in between meals.

Another member of the order of the stainless apron was more outspoken. He said he had lost not only spoons but knives as well, and even a salt cellar and a pepper pot. He thought that the tourists took them as mementos of their visit to the city.

Teaspoons seem to have the most probably because they can be carried so easily. There is no sharp edge to ruin a pocket lining, and they are small enough to pick up quickly. Some of the ministers of the interior admitted that they had lost dinnerware worth all the way from \$50 to \$500 this year. As there are some 130,000 tourists in the city, the total annual loss must be somewhere around \$3,000.

MATHESON WILL HELP HAMILTON UNEMPLOYED

"Billy" Matheson, the lumberjack missionary and evangelist, well known to Ontarians from east to west, and north to south, is going to feed the unemployed single men in Hamilton one meal a day this winter. "Billy" was in London this morning seeing one or two old friends, and dropped into The Advertiser office.

The unemployed situation in Hamilton is bad, he said, "and I am arranging to feed all the single men one meal every day throughout the winter. I would like to be able to do more, of course, but this is as far as my available means will go. It is really a situation which should be met by the federal or provincial authorities, but when the men are hungry something has to be done immediately. It's no time to send letters and write notes."

PAYS \$10 FINE

For selling cigarettes without a license Gordon J. Williams paid \$10 and costs in police court this morning. He pleaded guilty to the charge and paid his fine out of court.

Regret

Written from "Whitewood Lodge," Dorset, Lake of Bays, and inspired by Margaret Clark Russell's poem "Free," published in The Advertiser some weeks ago.

Out of the woods she came in fall, Yes, woods of russet, leaves and all, With nature's plumes of graceful hair, And to the city took a dare To have it bobbed, and now you see, She's not as pleased as pleased should be.

LEO J. FISHER.

Margaret Clark Russell's poem "Free," published in The Advertiser some weeks ago. Out of the woods I came in fall, Not woods of russet leaves at all, But woods of wanton, tangled hair, So glad I took the tempting dare To have it bobbed, for now I'm free, As everybody ought to be!

PROMINENT DAIRYMEN WILL SPEAK IN CITY

Western Ontario Association Will Gather in London in January.

The 58th annual convention of the Dairymen's Association of Western Ontario is to be held in the Masonic temple on Jan. 14 and 15, promises to be one of the best in the history of the association.

A number of prominent dairymen have been secured to give practical addresses, and there will also be the usual butter and judging competitions with silver cups as prizes. Addresses of welcome will be given by Mayor Wenke and R. H. Dowler, president of the chamber of commerce.

Among the speakers will be such well-known dairy experts as H. Munnell, Woodstock, president of the association; Bert Roadhouse, deputy minister of the department of agriculture for Ontario; J. A. Kudlick, Ottawa; Professor H. S. Arkell, Professor R. E. Freeman of the university of Western Ontario, who will talk on "The Conflict Between Town and Country"; George A. Putnam, Toronto; R. D. Colquhoun, O. A. C.; George H. Barr, Toronto; J. B. Muir, Ingersoll; James Burgess, Montreal; John H. Scott, Toronto, and Frank Ierna.

PRESENT PRIZE MONEY

Prize money won by members of the Lobo club was distributed to the winners at Komoka last night by R. A. Finn and J. Andrews of the department of agriculture. The club won \$70 on a carload of hogs shipped to Toronto last month, and \$55 at the local show. Thirty-six dollars of this latter amount was collected by Ed. Sinker, Sam Brown and Archie Ferguson.

Moving pictures, including a two-reel comedy, were run off by Messrs. Finn and Andrews.

SOUTHERN CONGREGATIONAL

The regular meeting of the Christian endeavor society of the Southern Congregational church was held last night, with Dr. H. Taylor presiding. The Scripture lesson was read by Miss Eunice Hilton, after which a splendid paper on "Count and Share Your Blessings" was given by Miss Minnie Bacon, which was followed by an open discussion by the society.

A brief talk on the subject by Rev. H. B. Storey. The society decided that the Christian endeavor would make arrangements at this meeting for the watch night services, when the devotional part will be under the direction of the Christian endeavor society, and the social hour will be in charge of Miss E. Barry.

FIRM TAKES ONLY MONTH TO RECOVER FROM FIRE

One month from the date that fire and causing a loss of \$2,000, but it was little time before the ruined portions of the factory were completely transformed. The rapid construction of the new plant is considered by contractors to be a record.

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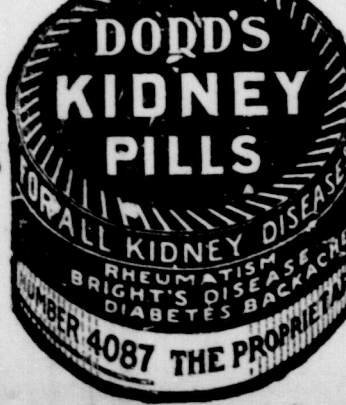
THERE may be gifts more costly, but to the music lover there is no gift that compares with that of a Heintzman & Co. miniature grand piano.

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MENJOU IS STAR IN CAPITOL FILM

"Forbidden Paradise" Portrays Life in Russian Court—Strong Cast.

"Forbidden Paradise," playing for the first half of this week, is much better and less melodramatic than its name would imply. The name belongs to the list of neurotic plays of the last two years, the actual story and its playing are really worth seeing.

It is a worthy picture in that it gives Adolphe Menjou a part, by far the most satisfactory in which he has yet appeared. The excellent actor with his superb gift for playing the part of a cultured, cynical gentleman of the old world school of courtiers and diplomats, with his grandiose dignity, facile and yet not lacking in adherence to the code of noblesse oblige, gives a finished portrayal of an almost extinct type, of almost historical value.

Pola Negri is well known as an actress with an ability to make the most of such a part as Catherine of Russia presents, especially when set by her protectorate.

In the luxurious scenes of Russian court life, the gayest and most fascinating in the Europe of that time, to see Pola Negri in this part, bantying smiles and flattery, with the subtlety of her lord chamberlain, in love with a dashing officer of her guards, imperious as a queen and adorable as a woman is to increase one's respect for this clever actress. Rod La Roque as the dashing officer in question, adds to a well-built figure enough ability as an actor to take his part in the play with credit.

Harry Langdon, in "Plickering Youth," a Mack Sennet comedy, one of those funny "Out of the Inkwell" films, and Melvin Carter, a fine boy singer, make out a program which will repay a visit to the Capitol the first half of this week.

MOROCCAN DEVELOPMENTS TO BE WATCHED BY FRANCE

Associated Press Despatch.
Paris, Dec. 15.—The French government has taken up with the government of Spain the situation in the Spanish zone of Morocco with a view to keeping in touch with the Spanish plans so as not to be taken by surprise by any eventual developments. The French, it is said in official quarters, greatly hope to escape the necessity of intervening in any part of the zone evacuated by the Spanish, though of course ready to perform the obligations to maintain order imposed on them by the Algerias pact Russia presents, especially when set by their protectorate.

INDIAN PRINCESS AMAZES CROWDS

World Famous Seeress Convinces Most Skeptical in Loew's Audiences.

PICTURE HIGH CLASS

If Loew's theatre is not crowded for every performance this week it should be, for in booking Princess Wahletka, the Indian seeress, Manager Jackson of Loew's has secured an act that convinces even the most skeptical who have taken delight in the past by characterizing such performances as "bunk."

The princess answered all questions yesterday afternoon and last night in a manner that was entirely satisfactory. She gave a private audience to two newspapermen after the afternoon performance and amazed them by telling them things that had happened in the almost forgotten past and some things about the future that they hope will come true. They were "sold" on Princess Wahletka just as thoroughly as were the audiences.

One bald-headed gentleman asked where his daughter could be found. The princess told him she was in Detroit and that he could probably locate her despite the fact that he had not seen her since she was three years old back in England. "That's true," admitted the man. "I haven't seen my girl since she was three."

The princess told the questioners their first names and her assistant gained from them in every case that she had answered their questions correctly.

In the final minutes of the act the princess asked the audience to concentrate on questions and that she would answer them without a word from the questioner. This she did, to the amazement of everyone, the curtain falling amid a thunderous wave of applause.

The other two vaudeville attractions were both mighty good. Franchini brothers are billed as super-athletes and they are. Those who enjoy feats of skill and strength should not fail to see their performance.

Gerry and Gretchen O'Meara, in a comedy skit, have a keen sense of humor, and the audience enjoyed every minute of their act.

Just because we have dwelt entirely on the vaudeville end of the bill does not mean to say that the feature picture, "The Snob," is not good. It is.

The story is that of a handsome young snob, an instructor in a private academy, and a favorite lecturer at women's clubs.

The central character is admirably played by John Gilbert, as the young instructor. Anxious to advance himself by any means, he makes ardent love to the daughter of the town's wealthiest man, although he is engaged to a country school teacher. He becomes the teacher's husband in a death-bed marriage, and she, contrary to the doctor's prediction, recovers. The "snob's" treatment of her, his infidelity and his attempts to release himself from the basis of the story.

The school teacher leave him and he, learning that she is really a wealthy woman, begs her to come back.

NICKLE IS SILENT.

Associated Press Despatch.
Toronto, Dec. 15.—Interviewed this afternoon regarding the report that the resignation of Police Magistrate G. F. Jelfs had been requested by the attorney-general's department, Hon. W. F. Nickle refused to discuss the matter.

HISTORICAL FILM SHOWN AT GRAND

"Love and Sacrifice" Depicts Scenes During American Revolution.

D. W. Griffith has introduced to the world another motion picture masterpiece, one of glory, powerfully portrayed. In the United States it bears the title, "America," but in Canada it is being played under the unattractive name of "Love and Sacrifice," and the latter caption is its only flaw.

"America," or "Love and Sacrifice," was shown at the Grand theatre for the first time yesterday to be repeated twice daily throughout the week.

Mr. Griffith has pictured a story after the style of Walter Scott's "Ivanhoe" and produced an equal to "The Birth of a Nation." Although the photoplay is entirely historical, through it a beautiful romance is interwoven, and the combination makes a truly great production.

Columbus discovered America, but D. W. Griffith made her picture, and although history has been slightly distorted in the manufacture of this photoplay, the skill of the players, the alternating currents of laughter and drama, the superb sequence of events, the appeal of straight souls, and the epic grandeur of a nation's birth.

make in one of the greatest spectacles of filmdom.

The picture reached great favor among American theatregoers through its patriotic appeal, but from the dramatic and artistic standpoint it should attain the same popularity among Canadians.

"In Love and Sacrifice" the beginnings and causes of the war of independence are portrayed in a manner which no Britisher would take offence and yet rendered in a justifiable light. Gorgeous scenes in the court of King George III, the old house of the Burgeses in Virginia, where sat Washington, Patrick Henry and Jefferson, the thrilling ride of Paul Revere, the gathering of the American patriots at Lexington and Concord and the magnificent Valley Forge, are scenic portions of the picture which are outstanding for the art and beauty they possess.

The assault on Fort Mifflin and the rescue of hundreds of Americans by Washington's favorite unit, the "The or Death" brigade of Morgan's riflemen, form a thrilling climax to the picture and the story ends with a happy love scene.

In "Love and Sacrifice," D. W. Griffith has combined almost every known photographic effect in beautiful and magnificent scenes which form a masterpiece of the screen.

The cast includes an extraordinary number of talented actors with Neil Hamilton and Carol Dempster taking the leading roles. Lionel Barrymore is the Captain Walter Butler, who disregarded British orders and took war in his own hands with resultant massacre, death and destruction.

Other well-known actors who take prominent parts in the picture include, Charles Emmett Mack, Erville Alderson, Louis Wolheim and Lucille Le Verne.

MAGISTRATE JELFS IS ASKED TO RESIGN

Hamilton Judge Requested To Give Up Post—No Reason Given.

Special to The Advertiser.
Hamilton, Dec. 15.—A sensation was sprung here today, when Police Magistrate George Frederick Jelfs received from Attorney-General Niekke a letter requesting his resignation, to become effective Dec. 31.

The attorney-general's letter assigned no reason for his course of action, but it is believed that Magistrate Jelfs' views toward the Ontario temperance act played a part in the matter. Mr. Jelfs has been magistrate here for 30 years, and more recently became judge of the juvenile court also, which post he will resign simultaneously with the magistracy.

Beyond intimating that he would tender his resignation as requested, and would probably take up private law practice, Mr. Jelfs had no statement to make. Controller William Morrison is regarded as the probable successor to the office.

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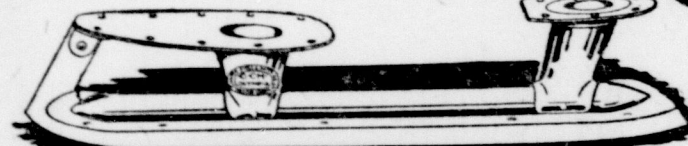
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REPORTS RECEIVED

Special to The Advertiser.
St. Thomas, Dec. 15.—At a stirring meeting of the Kiwanis club at lunch today, reports of committees were presented and the election of officers took place. Alfred McIntyre, who succeeded C. S. Gilbert as president a few months ago, was unanimously re-elected president for 1925. F. M. Holcombe, as song leader, was elected vice-president. W. F. L. Edwards is district trustee. C. S. Gilbert, chairman of the finance committee. Harvey W. Scarff, secretary, and F. H. Marlett, treasurer.

Chairmen of committees, who will comprise the executive, are: W. A. Becker, house; Robert Christie, playgrounds; R. Cochran, stunts; J. A. Elliott, speakers; W. J. Green, membership; L. K. Johnston, attendance; Clarence C. T. L. K. W. club. The recommendation of the nomination committee, that the chairman of the publicity, reception, and educational committees, be appointed by the executive of the 1925 club was adopted.

Contributions amounting to \$39 was collected for the Christmas community fund at the suggestion of Edward Coughlin. The club has 70 active members with an average daily attendance of 47. The K. I. W. club had paid for an operation for Fred Smith in a London hospital at a cost of \$200 and was paying for his tuition at the rate of \$75 a year. The club will close the term with a bank balance of \$182.85. Its receipts amounted to \$4,760.

Board of Education.
The board of education wound up the business for the year this evening, the secretary reporting a surplus of about \$2,000. At the close of the meeting the usual felicitations were expressed along with the regret that Chairman Harvey could not be in the chair another year.

Tenders were opened for the removal of the four houses situated on the Florida street site. The lowest school will be built. This will mean a revenue of \$1,500. The buildings must be cleared off in two weeks' time to allow the contractors to begin the excavating.

A letter was received from Principal Dr. Vanden, who is still in the Toronto general hospital, thanking the board for the gift of flowers and informing them that his doctors were insisting a rest period following his return to the city at the end of the week.

The inaugural meeting of the new board will be held Friday, January 2, at 5 p.m.

Open-Air Rinks.
The chairman of the building and grounds committee was instructed to have some of the windows at Myrtle street school couched during the Christmas holidays. The open-air rinks for the public schools will be flooded as in past years.

Robert Cartledge, R. S. Rawlings and R. Cartledge, will receive the sentence of the court Thursday afternoon, on a charge of having in their possession a part of a stolen Christmas tree on November 29, at the farm of Benjamin Blackstock, Southwood Station.

The men were given the privilege of electing on the charge of conspiracy to plant a still on the Blackstock farm, and through the solicitor, H. V. Newby of London, asked for trial by jury.

The preliminary examination on the conspiracy charge was finished this afternoon.

Mrs. Blackstock's evidence given under the first charge was admitted for the conspiracy charge, while Blackstock testified a second time. Albert Craven and H. Harris, the latter a brother of Mrs. Blackstock, told of being approached by the defendants on Sunday, November 23, and of having visited Blackstock's farm at Cartledge's request, and were present while the proposition of making liquor was discussed. They had no moonshine to drink that day.

New Witness.
A new witness was introduced in the person of Thomas Chelmer, an Onondaga Indian, who said that on the day of the Onondaga fair, Cartledge had offered to sell him liquor and had tried to induce him to put in a still. This evidence was ruled out by the magistrate as it had no particular bearing on the case.

Mr. Newby did not introduce any evidence for the defence or cross-examine any of the crown's witnesses. At the close of the preliminary hearing, he asked the magistrate to dismiss the case on the grounds that in the evidence there was no proof of an agreement being reached between Cartledge, Rawlings and Blackstock, which was necessary under the section of the code under which the conspiracy charge was laid. He claimed that under the code, the defendants and Blackstock might plan to install a still, but unless the crown could show that the still was being set up, there was no offence committed.

His worship thought it was not his duty to define the code and committed the men for trial. Bail was remanded, and they will have to wait trial till the sessions in June, but if they remain in confinement they can secure a trial at the winter sessions of the supreme court.

When the court opened, the magistrate stated that he would withhold his decision in the matter until the findings of the supreme court had been received, but following the preliminary hearing he offered to give his verdict on the inland revenue charge Thursday afternoon.

Yarmouth Council.
The Yarmouth town council met this afternoon in the city, when the clerk stated that the expenditures for the year would not exceed the estimates. The entire council will stand for re-election another term.

Charged with stealing a cream separator, the property of E. A. Larsen, R. C. Conner, a former resident of the city, appeared before Magistrate Maxwell this morning and was remanded until Thursday for a hearing. Bail was allowed.

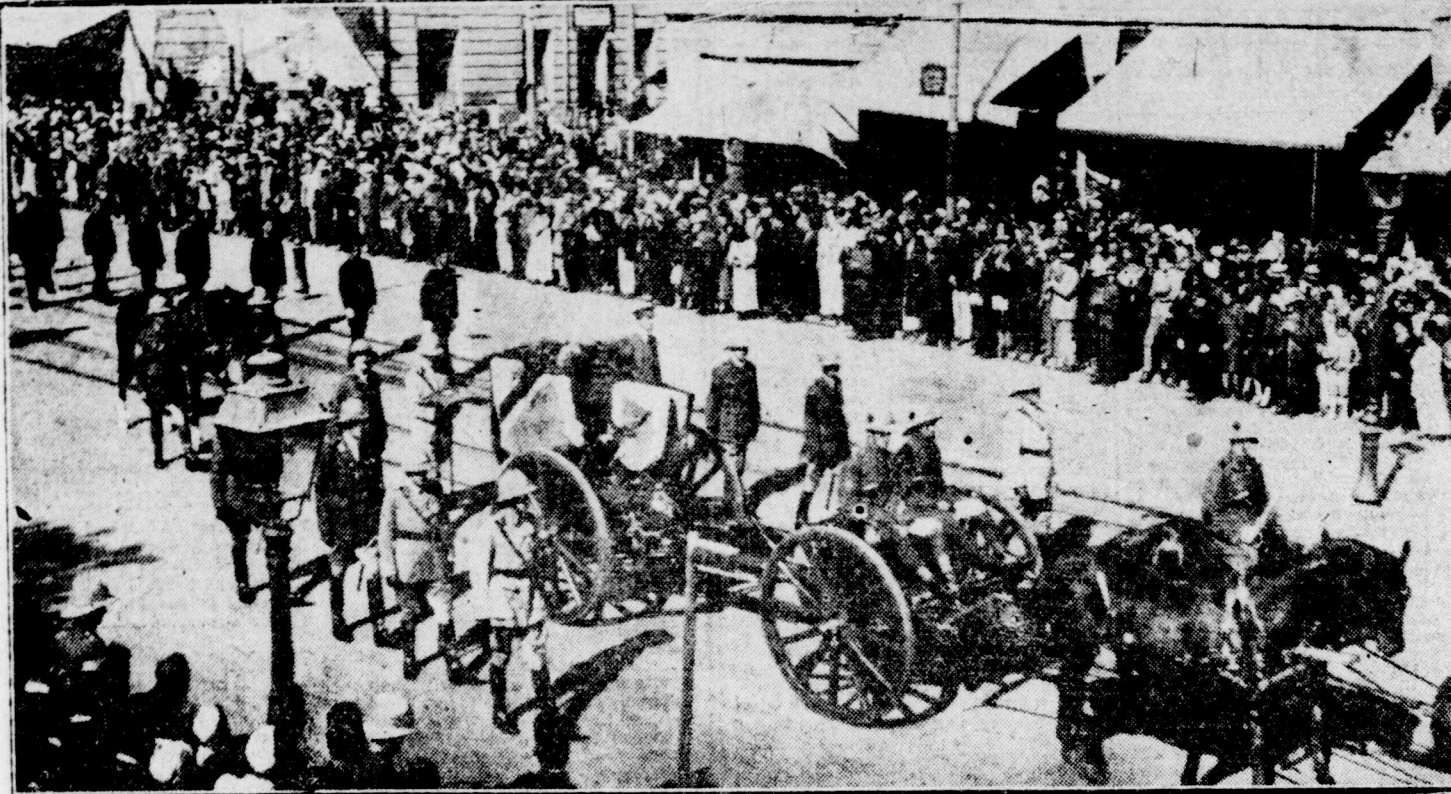
The result of the recent voting for directors of the chamber of commerce is announced today, the new men elected being: J. Webster, Ald. W. A. McIntyre, W. R. Coulter and E. A. Horton. The six who still have a year to serve are: W. J. Green, J. H. Gould, George Oldrieve, J. Dowler, F. Harding and C. E. Raven.

At the Sunday services in Alma street Presbyterian church, yesterday, notices were read from the pulpit calling a meeting of the congregation on Monday evening, Dec. 22, at 8 o'clock to discuss the taking of a vote and arranging for the bailing on the church union question.

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FUNERAL OF GEN. LEE STACK.

Full military honors were accorded to the body of Major-General Sir Lee Stack, governor-general of the Sudan and sirdar of the Egyptian army, who was assassinated by Egyptian nationalists while motoring from his residence to the war office. As the cortege passed through the streets of Cairo, with the caisson carried on a gun-carriage, accompanied by brother staff officers and followed by the slain sirdar's charger, mixed details of imperial and Egyptian troops trailed the state funeral with arms reversed while the huge crowds behind bared their heads.

HERRIOT MAY QUIT DOWING TO ILLNESS

Friends of Premier Fear Resignation—Opponents Aim at Ministerial Crisis.

By CONSTANTINE BROWN.
Special Cable to The Advertiser and the Chicago Daily News. Copyright.

Paris, Dec. 15.—It is feared by Premier Herriot's followers that his illness may force his resignation, and the friends of Loucheur, Briand and De Monzie have already started pulling wires behind the scenes trying to force a ministerial crisis before the end of the year.

Premier Herriot is suffering from a bad attack of rheumatism, which has been made serious by the fact that his heart is much weakened on account of overwork. While his life is in no danger, physicians recommend for him a long rest, which the premier refuses to take, stating that his presence at the head of French affairs is absolutely necessary until the evacuation of the Ruhr is completed. Russian relations put on a sound basis, the question of war debts settled with the United States, and some form of security for France obtained by it in the course of ratification of the Geneva protocol or a Franco-British security pact.

Premier Herriot will be content to bed at least until the end of the year, he will be unable to use his personal prestige in the stormy debates which it is believed will mark the course of the coming week during the discussion of the budget of the ministry of foreign affairs, in which his opponents will launch a decisive attack against the government.

Poisoned Liquor Is Fatal To Eight

67 Others in N. Y. Hospital Following Epidemic.

Associated Press Despatch.
New York, Dec. 15.—Eight persons—two women and six men—are dead and five reported dying as the result of an epidemic of poisoned liquor cases since last Saturday. Sixty-seven persons, including 11 women, are now in the alcoholic ward of the

MANY ATTEND FUNERAL.
Special to The Advertiser.
Tillamook, Dec. 15.—The funeral of the late Mrs. Archer, who passed away on Friday afternoon in her 73rd year, after a very short illness, was held on Sunday afternoon from her late residence on the corner of the town cemetery for interment, and although private was very largely attended. The floral offerings were very numerous, including several offerings from the societies in the Avondale Presbyterian church. Rev. G. C. Mitchell, B.A., pastor, conducted the funeral services.

set up, there was no offence committed. His worship thought it was not his duty to define the code and committed the men for trial. Bail was remanded, and they will have to wait trial till the sessions in June, but if they remain in confinement they can secure a trial at the winter sessions of the supreme court.

When the court opened, the magistrate stated that he would withhold his decision in the matter until the findings of the supreme court had been received, but following the preliminary hearing he offered to give his verdict on the inland revenue charge Thursday afternoon.

Yarmouth Council.
The Yarmouth town council met this afternoon in the city, when the clerk stated that the expenditures for the year would not exceed the estimates. The entire council will stand for re-election another term.

Charged with stealing a cream separator, the property of E. A. Larsen, R. C. Conner, a former resident of the city, appeared before Magistrate Maxwell this morning and was remanded until Thursday for a hearing. Bail was allowed.

The result of the recent voting for directors of the chamber of commerce is announced today, the new men elected being: J. Webster, Ald. W. A. McIntyre, W. R. Coulter and E. A. Horton. The six who still have a year to serve are: W. J. Green, J. H. Gould, George Oldrieve, J. Dowler, F. Harding and C. E. Raven.

At the Sunday services in Alma street Presbyterian church, yesterday, notices were read from the pulpit calling a meeting of the congregation on Monday evening, Dec. 22, at 8 o'clock to discuss the taking of a vote and arranging for the bailing on the church union question.

THE APPEALING CHARM OF HEALTH AND BEAUTY
London, Ont.—Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription proved very beneficial to me as a tonic and nerve. After not regaining my strength, I did not appear to have any blood, but after taking Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription for a short time my health and strength came back. I heartily recommend Favorite Prescription to all weak and ailing women.—Mrs. Harvey Dishman, 151 Rectory street.

Four health is most important to you. It's easily improved. Just ask your nearest druggist for this prescription of Dr. Pierce's, in tablet or liquid form, and send 10c to Dr. Pierce's Laboratory in Bridgeport, Ont., for a trial package table.

Write Dr. Pierce, President Invalids Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y., if you want free medical advice.—Ad.

Communications By Mind Predicted In Near Future

By HAL O'FLAHERTY.
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London, Dec. 15.—The experiments in thought transference, which were carried out by Gilbert Murray, and endorsed by Lord Balfour, have not only created a sensation in lay circles, but have evoked the astonishing prediction that human beings within this generation will be able to tune their minds to receive long distance communications.

Professor Murray recorded five messages out of ten, involving a lengthy translation from a Russian novel, which he had never read. The conditions imposed by investigators are the cause of fraud.

Experts discard the theory that Murray possesses an abnormally acute sense of hearing, and prefer to believe that we are now on the brink of the strangest field of scientific investigation, with every prospect of discovering a means of using the unconscious mind for the purpose of communicating messages or ideas.

One eminent investigator declares that thought waves go forth from the human mind much after the fashion of electrical impulses, and when they are properly controlled they impinge upon the thought waves of other minds which are sympathetically tuned.

Recent disclosures of this nature point to the fact that at least half a dozen of England's foremost scientists are actively engaged in this field of research, and delving constantly into the uncharted regions of mental activity with remarkable results.

Sir Oliver Lodge is emphatic in his belief that communication between human beings need not depend upon mechanical devices.

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"RAIL" CENTENARY COMES NEXT YEAR

First Railroad Was Operated in 1825—Stephenson Had Dream.

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Stratford, Dec. 15.—W. G. Raymond, member of the federal house for Brantford, gave an instructive and interesting address at the noon luncheon of the chamber of commerce today on "Happiness," citing as a formula for this much-desired state Polonius' advice to Laertes from Shakespeare's "Hamlet," Burns' "Epistle to a Youthful Friend," and Kipling's "If."

Mr. Raymond pointed out that next year would be the centenary of railroading, for in 1825 the first railway was operated, namely, the Stockton and Darlington line. It was 20 years ago that Stephenson had his sanguine dream of making an engine run at six miles an hour.

The world is a great deal as we look at it, he said. Smile at it and it responds in the same manner. Every time a man with a "chip on his shoulder" shows his grouches to the world, he is making a direct effect on them. It is a man's duty to cultivate the spirit of hopefulness and happiness so that he may "radiate" to those around him an optimistic influence.

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Move To Down Cross Word Bugs

N. Y. Association Claims Citizens' Minds Endangered.

Associated Press Despatch.
New York, Dec. 15.—"Down with the cross word puzzle bug," was the battle-cry at the national convention of the insecticide and disinfectant manufacturers' association, held here today. The organization passed a resolution denouncing the microbe as a menace to the national peace of mind.

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Daily Dozen for Cat; An Oasis in Kent; Captive Wolf Tamed



"Her" smile beguiles, as you'll agree; you'd almost fancy he's a she. As a matter of fact, however, this very coquettish expression doesn't mean anything, for the individual shown here is only a boy all dolled up in girl's fixings



Baron Von Maltzan, secretary of state in Germany, who is the assistant to Foreign Minister Stresemann, has just been appointed German ambassador to the United States, succeeding Dr. Otto Wiedfeldt



This striking transformation of a sandpit in Kent, England, into an Oriental scene was the work of half an hour, and owes its inception to the movie industry in that country. Operators are now not confined to the Far West or the Near East



Mrs. Lucy Jenkins Franklin, the new dean of women at Boston University, is the first to hold this post at Boston. She was recently installed in office, with Mrs. Calvin Coolidge present as the guest of honor



"Blue Block," a thoroughbred Pekinese of an Atlanta miss, gives a striking example of what the well-turned-out doggie should have in his wardrobe. The "Peke" has a special trunk in which his duds are kept



The Abbe Beuly of France has become famous throughout the world for his ability to locate water in the ground by an ordinary stick. He was recently decorated by the French government for his services in this direction



The Viscountess Glerawly has taken over the duties of an advisory director at a jewelry concern in London, where every afternoon she advises people as to the choice of gems. The viscountess is shown examining some pearls



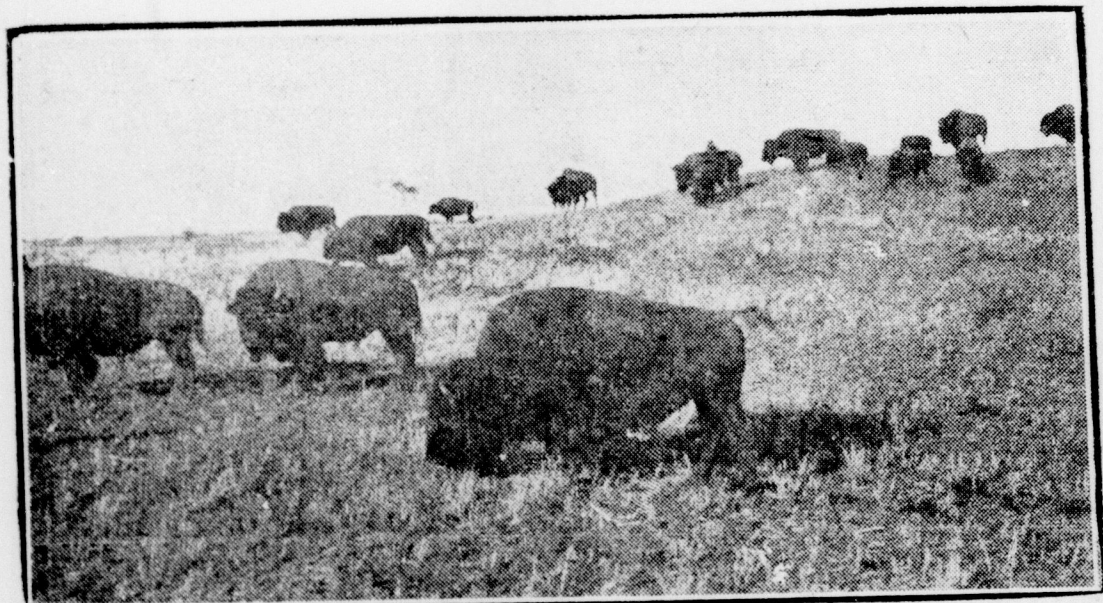
Pretty soft for these youngsters. Can you imagine Santa Claus taking you on his lap and asking you what you want for Christmas? And, "sure as shootin'," he'll bring you anything you ask him



"Bah Jove," one would have difficulty in recognizing Johnny Dundee, world's featherweight champion, on his recent arrival in London, all dressed up in topper and monocle



Here are two of the men and one of the much-talked-of Kentucky hounds who took part in the famous Algoma wolf hunt at Bar River recently



Six animals from the government buffalo reserve at Wainwright Park, Alberta, were recently shipped to Toronto for slaughter, where their steaks provided a delicacy for many gastronomical adventurers



A "Catherinette" on her patron's day in Paris walks abroad with the headdress that is only worn by those who have reached twenty-five and are still single



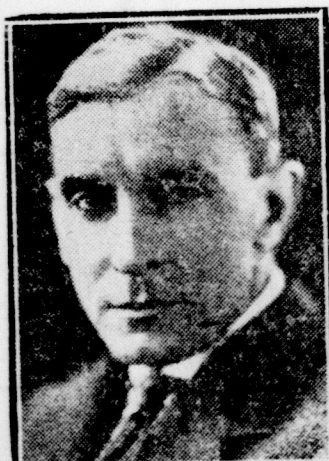
"Bum," a San Antonio, Texas, 25-year-old cat, is kept fit by a daily dozen, administered by R. A. Scheer and his son. Aside from her long life, "Bum" is just an ordinary feline that has excellent chances of living for some time to come



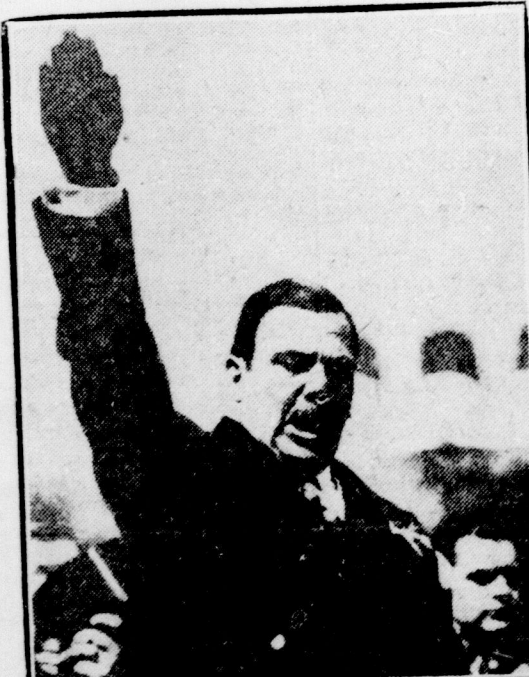
Tommy Gibbons, the St. Paul streak, is shown after he knocked out Kid Norfolk, the colored scrapper, in the sixth round of a scheduled fifteen-round bout at Madison Square Gardens recently



A wind power machine which will do away with the use of coal and gas as fuel is the invention of Hyman Rosen of New York, who is blind and who has been working on the device for thirty years



Thomas J. Campbell, famed as the greatest "dry farmer" in the world, having 80,000 acres in Montana, is being seriously considered by President Coolidge for secretary of agriculture



Before a cheering crowd of 10,000 people, with Labor delegates particularly outstanding Plutarco Elias Calles took over the government reins of the southern republic in the vast stadium at Mexico City



Yes, this is a real live wolf, which was roaming with a pack around Sault Ste. Marie only a few weeks ago. The animal was caught in a trap by Dr. F. Deadman of that district, and after being in custody for a time became quite tame

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Not a Sound Policy.

The Citizens' Research Institute of Canada estimates that Canadian cities took \$175,000,000 in taxes from the people for municipal taxation in 1922, and proceeds with the suggestion that it is time to cut down, even for a limited period, in order to give business a chance to right itself. In part the Research Institute says:

"The vital need during the present period is to cut taxation. This perhaps cannot be done permanently. Twenty-five years from now taxation may very probably be higher than it is at present as society discovers new needs for which it demands satisfaction. But it can be cut now for a period long enough to give business and industry a chance to recover, to give an impetus to immigration, and to establish a firm basis for a long period of healthy expansion."

That is at best a peculiar point of view. Cutting taxation today with the knowledge that by so doing we were simply piling up a greater load to be met a little later on is not sound business.

Let us presume, for the moment, that this plan is followed. Cut taxation, and that means cutting necessary service if the cut is going to be enough to make itself felt in a tax bill. In order to make the cut enough for it to give an impetus to jaded business it would have to be quite substantial.

After then, that under this artificial means business does get a start, and immigrants do come in, what then? Once business got a start, and once the people got into the country, we would have to put on the taxes again, and the same conditions in an aggravated form would have to be met that are complained of today. It would simply be postponing the inevitable day of reckoning in order that we might have a breathing space in the meantime.

London has had sufficient experience in this way of doing business, and the school situation today provides a concrete example. There was a period of almost fifteen years when there was no building done; the policy followed was to keep down the tax rate, and the result was that London faced a problem all at once that should have been spread over a period of years. Today the city is paying on a total school debenture issue of \$2,252,000. It is the result of each year not facing the just and reasonable demands that would have been faced in that year. The taxpayer of today is, as a result, carrying a load, part of which belonged to the taxpayer of ten or fifteen years ago.

If the plan advocated by the Research Institute were followed, we would be doing the same thing again, and it would work hardship in other directions. If it were decided to "cut" now for the sake of cutting, London could draw the blue pencil through all outside work that is being carried on with the purpose of providing employment for a number of its citizens who need it. The city could tell these men that it was through, and it would have the satisfaction of looking after them through its relief department rather than by getting value for its money through the engineering department. The Research Institute could hardly claim that such a move would be good business.

It is a short-sighted policy that aims to cut down taxation for a temporary period, knowing that in so doing it will erect a larger problem to be met a little farther on, and a city would simply be fooling its ratepayers by adopting any such practice.

Too Much Overhead

"Too much overhead." Nearly every business house uses that phrase; nearly every consumer has echoed it even if he did not know exactly what it meant.

Trouble is that in our system of distribution we have gone into things head over heels. One point serves to illustrate. Today there are 40 per cent more steamers than there were ten years ago, and the available business offering is only 60 per cent of what it was at that time.

Over 6,000,000 tons of shipping can find nothing to do, and yet it cannot be set aside or discharged. All the vessels represented in that tonnage must be cared for; they are a direct charge on the earnings of the companies owning them.

It is this unbalanced state of affairs, multiplied in activities other than shipping, that makes that phrase, "too much overhead," so suggestive. The consuming public must pay for the ships for which there are no cargoes to carry.

What Does It Mean?

Monte Carlo is the greatest gambling den in the world. Gambling there is not a sideline; it is the chief business of the place. It has more suicides and blasted lives on its record than any other one place in the world, and yet it grows.

Five years ago 8,000 visitors from United States crossed the frontiers into Monaco, and on to Monte Carlo; last year the number had increased to 60,000, and next year it is estimated the number will be 100,000.

Among the number last year were bankers, many of them—they gambled and lost all the way from ten to a million francs. These are the men to whom people of United States look for safe advice in matters of sound finance—they were found at Monte Carlo.

In the list were school teachers—tourists who wanted the "thrill" of risking a little in the golden hope of winning much. They are the people who are supposed to give the young mind of United States leadership in the period of their

lives when impressions are most readily formed.

There were the wives of the idle rich, who had never gambled more seriously than playing bridge for a penny a point. They lost heavily.

Why is it that the tourist trade of United States, as it swarms to Europe, makes its way to the biggest cesspool of iniquity on the continent? Why is it that the procession in five years has grown from eight to sixty thousand?

It is one of the penalties United States is paying for having too much money, and too many people who are not faced week by week with the serious business of making a living.

It is evidence of a lack of high national ideals. It would be a thousand times better for United States if her people, to use a phrase written in a moment of plague by an American writer about the British, "had to get down and live on herrings and oatmeal," than that they should figure in a visiting list at Monte Carlo—5,000 in 1919; 60,000 in 1923; 100,000 in 1925.

William Urban Did His Duty

The fishing tug Helene works on Lake Erie. There is nothing particularly romantic about life on the average fishing tug. Visitors do not flock on board when it pulls into port as they would on a yacht or a vessel of war. The men on board are not uniformed to make them attractive; they go out on the business of catching fish.

The Helene was in trouble; her engines had stopped for lack of fuel, and her anchor failed to clutch ground. For three days she was driven until she was thrown on rocks some distance from the New York coast. The men on board were covered with ice from the spray freezing as it hit them.

William Urban saw there was just one way out, and that was for him to swim ashore and carry a line with him. And that is exactly what he did—plunged into the churning waters driven with a biting, freezing wind, fought his way through the deep and through the surf, and provided means for rescuing all his companions.

Few people knew William Urban. Probably his own little circle of friends and the people who employed him. Today he lives in the pages of the newspapers, and next week a forgetting public will be asking who he was and what he did.

William Urban did his duty when he saw it. No man can do more—no real man dare do less.

Note and Comment

Wolf-hunting trip in Algoma used 40 motor cars, expecting to catch the wolves as they do pedestrians.

City Clerk Baker has been driven out of office—while the painters and decorators do their work.

Toronto civic elections are only a few days off, and so far very few are rushing in with an offer to save the city.

Whenever foreign experts can't think of anything to expert about they once more predict the downfall of soviet Russia.

Sanitary officers in London say one cat is enough for any place of business to keep. Hence the rule—one cat purr store.

Woman sentenced to jail for four months was released when her husband turned up and paid \$400 fine, showing that it's a handy thing for a married woman to have a husband.

The treasurer of Australia will visit Canada. If he carries back with him all our wrinkles for raising taxes, we can see where the Australian householder will be calling out "Kamerad."

New adding machines for the tax collector's office contains no sound of cheer for the man who sticks his head through the wicket and asks how long before the third installment comes due.

Joe's Problem

Joe Bootjack's puzzled much these days. Joe ain't workin' like he ought, and he's not certain quite yet if old Saint Nick will come or not.

Joe is an honest sort of chap, he pays his bills as best he can, yet Joe's in debt a bit I know no matter how he tries to plan.

Joe he was workin' steady like up to about three months ago, when things got slack they come to Joe and says as how he'll have to go. Well Joe he starts out hopeful like, a-thinkin' how he's young and strong, he'd get another job at once so they could live and get along.

I know that Joe went every place, he tramped the town clean through and through, a-askin' every place he went to give him somethin' for to do.

Well when the youngsters in the house got talkin' Christmas, to the wife, Joe says they prattle touched the quick, it cut his feelin's like a knife. For nights he heard the kid's discuss about the things they'd want to get, Joe knowin' mighty well himself he hadn't got a job found yet.

And now the days keep wearin' on, and Joe he told me of his case, and how he couldn't go to home and look his youngsters in the face, because he'd always seen to it when Christmas time had come around, that there was things inside his house to show where reindeers pawed the ground.

It's troublein' Joe, I know it is, to face this season of the year, when fathers like to play the role of handin' out the Christmas cheer—to know that he ain't none to give, no chance to make a kid's heart beat, for it's just more than he can do to gather up the things to eat.

Now Joe ain't lookin' for some chap to come along and say to him, as how he knows this time of year a fellow needs some extra tin—no he don't want to have his kids cheered up by some one else's wealth, for that's a job he wants to have the fun of doin' himself.

Joe only wants a job, that's all, and when his week of work was through, he'd tend to Santa Claus himself like any man should ought to do.—ARK.

Rarebits By Rex

THE ADVANTAGES OF BEING AN ANIMAL.

I count the wrinkles on my brow
And wish I were a sheep or cow;
Better, by far, yield milk or wool
By carload and by bucketful.
And be allowed to stand and stare,
And nibble grass, and take the air,
Than dream of golden mountain-tops
And be a mark for traffic cops.
The cow, she neither writes nor reads,
But soundly sleeps and calmly feeds,
And takes the rainfall and the sun,
The profit and the loss, as one.

A sheep may on some sheepshead dote,
But he is never made the goat.
As are some men, whose earthly ills
Are work and sighs and monthly bills:
A mutter may enjoy a whim
Yet no one makes a mutt of him:
What if I swallow sheep at last—
His trivial cares, not mine, are past,
And should his mutter be in question,
'Tis I, not he, gets indigestion!

Father says he worked twelve hours a day when he was young, but in these times anyone who took twelve hours to do a day's work couldn't hold a job.

Christmas spirit is a fine thing. It makes the plum pudding taste so much better.

TABLOID DRAMA.

"I wish Jack would write his fingers plainer. Maisie, I can't possibly tell from his letters whether it's one thousand or ten thousand kisses that he sends me."

The superstitious will be glad to hear that the Hotel Cecil, which burned down in Ottawa yesterday, was on Spark street.

When a father and son begin carrying on a business it's usually the father that runs it while the son does the carrying on.

THE GIRL GRADUATE.

The sweet girl graduate is learned
In French and Latin, too,
She knows more than her father or
Her grandfathers ever knew;
But still she's most concerned about
The clothing that she wears,
And lingers on the sofa while
Her mother mops the stairs.

When a grouchy man calls his wife an angel it only means that he's become a widower.

The only puzzling thing about a cross-word puzzle is how people do attempt to solve them, manage to keep out of homes for the feeble-minded.

ODE.

There's fine sense and coarse sense,
Each good in its way,
But the man who has horse sense
Knows when to say "neigh."

The disadvantage of telling your wife a secret is that it just goes in one ear and out the mouth.

Editorial Opinion

THE REVOLVER.

(From the Ottawa Journal)

SAYS the Kansas City Star: "Columns of revolver advertisements from a foreign language newspaper in Kansas City have been reproduced in the Star. Such advertisements are a direct contribution to crime. The gun-toter is a potential criminal. The number of citizens who in their legitimate pursuits have need of firearms is so small as to be disregarded. Yet the resources of mail order advertising are permitted to encourage the purchase of revolvers. That is a condition that ought not to exist. Heavy punishment for the illegal possession of concealed weapons is possible. The more gun-toters that find themselves behind the bars, the safer society will be."

Piffle! The revolver curse will never be diminished that way. Prohibit manufacture! That is the primary thing which will have real effect—not at once, not completely for many years, but surely in the long run.

Prohibit manufacture, sale, importation, possession—all of them. Any country can do it, to its own advantage. Why not Canada?

CHOOSING A TITLE.

(From the Regina Leader)

THE Edmonton Liberal-Conservative association has decided to drop the word "Liberal" from its name. This surprises the Ottawa Journal, which finds nothing incongruous in hyphenating "Liberal" and "Conservative." Sir John A. Macdonald once described the aim of his party to be "to enlarge the bounds of our party so as to embrace every person desirous of being counted as a progressive Conservative." A suggestion has been heard that the Conservative party should call itself the Progressive-Liberal-Conservative party. Sir John would probably have regarded that as one of those jests which contain a measure of wisdom. Anyway, a Conservative convention in this province recently nominated a candidate for the legislature who is said to be a Liberal, a Progressive, a Conservative and a farmer, all in one. That was carrying out Sir John Macdonald's idea to its logical conclusion. Whether the example set in Last Mountain will be widely followed remains to be seen; but if it is not wrecked on the reef of "all things to all men," we should hear more of it in the future. A party that is short on practical policies can perhaps make up for that lack by being long on names.

THE PENITENT DICTATOR.

(From the Manchester Guardian)

AFTER filling his pot and stoking the fire beneath it, Signor Mussolini is now trying to sit on the lid. Two years' experience of Fascist despotism have proved, he declares in the circular he has just issued to his followers, that their "moral, mental, and political position" must be revised. This circular is born rather unhappily at a moment when the Italian papers are discussing the recently disclosed letters of General Balbo, late commander of the Fascist militia, and of Signor Giunta, late party secretary. These two important officials had each issued written and forthright commands to their local subordinates to commit violence. The second of them had acted on the personal orders of the "Duce" himself, and the first, in instructing a Ferrarese chief to have certain opponents clubbed, had remarked, "If I write to you like that while I am in Rome, it means that I know what I am talking about." The force of this last comment is not lessened by Signor Mussolini's letter to its author, acknowledging his resignation and commending his adherence to that "high sense of honor expected from a gentleman and a Fascist."

To the Editor

He Dodged the Boy.

Young Lad Claimed To Have Deliberately Walked in Path of Oncoming Motor Car.

Editor of The Advertiser:
Sir—What satisfaction has an autoist when a strenuous effort to avoid an accident, gets smashed up, while the daring cause of it runs to the side of the street and laughs at the disaster he has caused?

A case happened on Wellington street Saturday evening, where a boy was noticed by the car driver to leave a store between Horton and Bathurst street. He honked his horn and slowed down, and to give the lad all the room he could, drove over to the curb. In spite of his efforts, the boy deliberately walked in front of the car and stopped, looking at it. The driver jammed his brakes and turned in an effort to mount the curb of the central boulevard to clear the boy, with the result his wheel caved in and he is out from \$20 to \$25, with a grinning kid having escaped injury.

Had he struck the boy, what would have happened? He no doubt, would have been charged with reckless driving, pay damages for personal injuries, as well as repairs to his car. There are, no doubt, many similar cases occurring from time to time. We are accustomed to favor the boys these days more than formerly, and it seems to make them saucy and daring to the extreme danger of others as well as themselves.

PEDESTRIAN.

Voting in the West.

Wetaskiwin Resident Says Non-Unionists Will Be to the Front in Coming Ballot.

Editor of The Advertiser:

Sir—So far as information goes just now, there seems to be a strong impression abroad in Ontario that the western provinces will vote almost solidly in the present campaign in favor of union of the churches. Such does not appear to be entirely the case so far as the situation has been canvassed. Let me give you a brief resume of the condition of things so far as they can now be gauged with reference to the Presbyterian church in this sunny province.

In Edmonton, it is expected that the non-unionists will carry three Presbyterian churches, with two others doubtful. In Calgary, one Presbyterian church will go non-unionist, with a fighting chance of carrying two others.

The non-unionist Presbyterians will also carry McLeod, Medicine Hat, Red Deer, Y. Lethbridge, Wainwright, Lloydminster, Banff and Rocky Mountain, with Wetaskiwin in the doubtful column.

Saskatchewan and British Columbia are also expected to give a good account of themselves when the vote on the question is taken there in the near future.

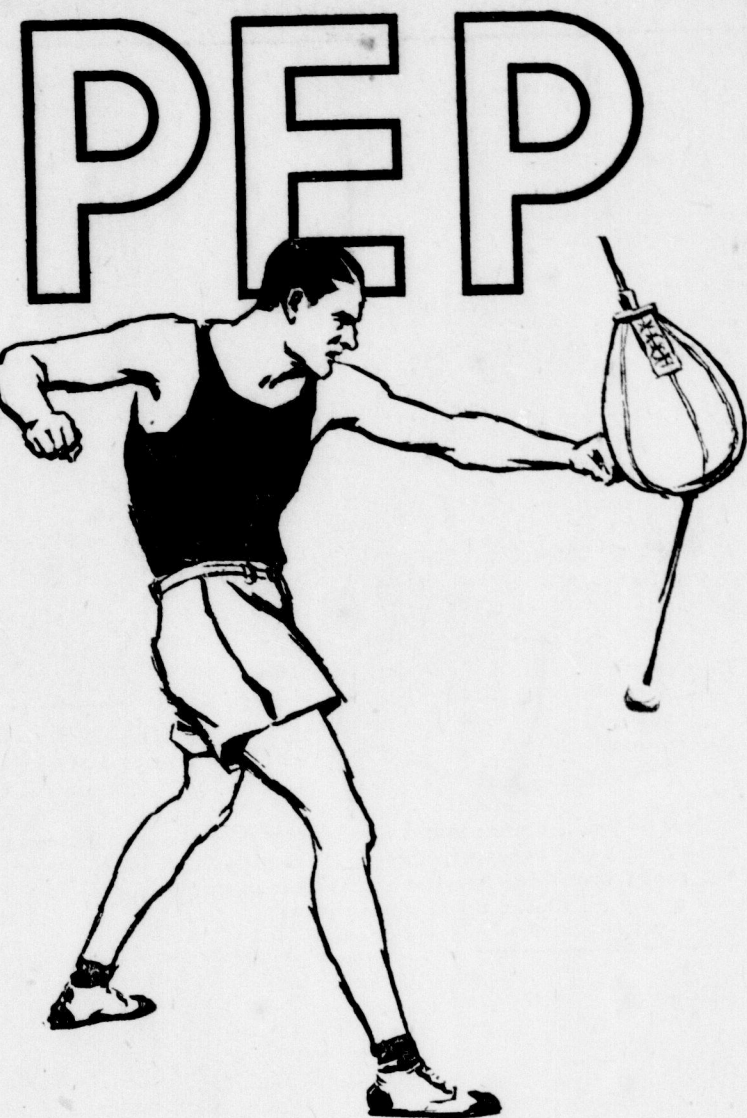
J. I. POOLE,
Sheriff's office, Wetaskiwin, Alberta,
Dec. 11, 1924.

WHERE WILL YOU SPEND CHRISTMAS?

In all the cycle of the year there is no time that brings families together as does the Yuletide. Though you were at the ends of the earth, you would long to be home for Christmas, and if it were at all possible, you would be there. In the long ago, when travelling facilities were very limited, people journeyed many weary miles and endured great hardships that they might be with friends and loved ones on Christmas Day. Today it is so different. The modern railway enables you to cross the continent in a few days in comfort. This year there promises to be the usual heavy Christmas and New Year travel north, south, east and west, and in order that you may reach your destination as comfortably and speedily as possible, Canadian National Railways are making preparations far in advance. Anyone wishing to pay for the travelling expenses of relatives or friends from any point need only to place the money in the hands of nearest ticket agent of the line. Our representative will deliver the transportation free of charge to your friends at the other end in a few hours. When travelling this Christmas go Canadian National Railways. Send your Christmas greetings by Canadian National Express—Adv.

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Leather, leather lined, name tag, \$5.50
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double handles, corners sewed on, \$10
Brown or Black Cowhide Bags, leather
lined \$12.50 and \$26.00
Walrus Bags, leather lined, \$27, \$40
Bags initialed free of charge.

Boston Bags

Brown or Black Leather \$1.50, \$1.65, \$3.50, \$5.50, \$8.00
Dressing Cases \$8.00 to \$20.00
Ash Trays 50c to \$1.00
Military Brushes \$2.00 to \$5.00
Key Cases 25c to \$1.40
Motor Whisks 35c
Pullman Slippers \$3.00
Music Cases \$2.00 to \$5.00
Billfolds 75c to \$5.00

Suitcases

Leatherette \$5.00
Patent Enamel Duck, \$4.50 to \$18.00
Leather \$7.00 to \$45.00
Ladies' Dress Cases \$12.00 up
Ladies' Fitted Cases \$18.00 up

Ladies' Purses

Pouch Shaped \$1.75 to \$12.00
English Avenue Bags, \$3.50 to \$18.00
Under Arm Bags \$3.00 to \$10.00

Hat Boxes

Round or square, russet or black binding, \$4.50, \$7.00, \$9.00, \$15.00, \$20.00
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Tennis Rackets
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STORE STOCKS TAKE STRONG ADVANCE

Woolworth and Gimbel Bros. Are Among Most Active Issues on Exchange.

Associated Press Despatch.
New York, Dec. 16.—A big advance in store stocks was seen today in response to the large expansion in pre-holiday business, was one of the features of the foreign exchange market. Woolworth and Gimbel Bros. were among the most active issues, gaining 2 1/2 and 4 points respectively. The advance was interrupted by a sharp drop in the morning, but the market recovered and the advance was maintained. The retail trade was reported to be very active, and the advance in store stocks was expected to continue.

Exchange

Associated Press Despatch.
London, Dec. 16.—Bar silver, 52-54 per ounce.
Associated Press Despatch.
New York, Dec. 16.—Bar silver, 67-68 per ounce.
Paris, Dec. 16.—Prices on the bourse today were higher. 50 francs 5 centimes.
Exchange on London, 87 francs 7 centimes.
Five per cent loan, 62 francs 40 centimes.
The United States dollar was quoted at 18 francs 61 centimes.
New York, Dec. 16.—Sterling exchange, 100 dollars, \$4.85.
Great Britain, \$4.85.
Italy, 4.85.
Germany, 2.81.
Canadian dollar, 9.18 of 1 per cent discount.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

Consols for money, 107 1/2.
British 4 1/2 per cent loan, 107 1/2.
British 4 1/2 per cent loan, 107 1/2.
Canadian Pacific, 107 1/2.
Chicago Great Western, 107 1/2.
Chicago, M. & St. Paul, 107 1/2.
De Beers, 107 1/2.
Erie, 107 1/2.
Do, 1st pfd, 107 1/2.
Illinois Central, 107 1/2.
Louisville & Nashville, 107 1/2.
New York Central, 107 1/2.
Norfolk & Western, 107 1/2.
Ontario & Western, 107 1/2.
Pennsylvania, 107 1/2.
Reading, 107 1/2.
Southern Railway, 107 1/2.
Southern Pacific, 107 1/2.
United States Steel, 107 1/2.

NEW YORK CURB

Reported for The Advertiser by Arthur E. Mooney & Co., Toronto.
New York, Dec. 16.
Industrials: High, Low, Close.
Acme Coal, 107 1/2, 107 1/2, 107 1/2.
Lauriat of Delaware, 107 1/2, 107 1/2, 107 1/2.
Goodyear Rubber, 107 1/2, 107 1/2, 107 1/2.
Reo Motors, 107 1/2, 107 1/2, 107 1/2.
Radio, com., 107 1/2, 107 1/2, 107 1/2.
Thermodyne, 107 1/2, 107 1/2, 107 1/2.
Tobacco Products, 107 1/2, 107 1/2, 107 1/2.
U. S. Shoring, 107 1/2, 107 1/2, 107 1/2.
Happiness Corporation, 107 1/2, 107 1/2, 107 1/2.
Mines: High, Low, Close.
Bureau Cresson, 107 1/2, 107 1/2, 107 1/2.
Premier, 107 1/2, 107 1/2, 107 1/2.
Tonopah Divide, 107 1/2, 107 1/2, 107 1/2.
United Eastern, 107 1/2, 107 1/2, 107 1/2.
West End, 107 1/2, 107 1/2, 107 1/2.
Oils: High, Low, Close.
Anglo-American, 107 1/2, 107 1/2, 107 1/2.
Chico Service, 107 1/2, 107 1/2, 107 1/2.
Carib Syndicate, 107 1/2, 107 1/2, 107 1/2.
Engineers, 107 1/2, 107 1/2, 107 1/2.
Federal, 107 1/2, 107 1/2, 107 1/2.
Glenrock, 107 1/2, 107 1/2, 107 1/2.
Imperial, 107 1/2, 107 1/2, 107 1/2.
Mutual, 107 1/2, 107 1/2, 107 1/2.
Prairie Oil, 107 1/2, 107 1/2, 107 1/2.
Vacuum Gas, 107 1/2, 107 1/2, 107 1/2.
Standard of New York, 107 1/2, 107 1/2, 107 1/2.
do, Indiana, 107 1/2, 107 1/2, 107 1/2.
do, Kentucky, 107 1/2, 107 1/2, 107 1/2.

DETROIT DISCOUNT RATE

Detroit, Dec. 16.—Detroit clearing-house banks' uniform rate of exchange on Canadian currency for Tuesday will be at par.

GOVERNMENT LOANS

The following is the Victory bond market, as reported by Cochran, Hay & Co., Ltd., bond dealers, Royal Bank building:
5 1/2% Victory Loan. Yield Mon. Change from Sat. about.
1927, 102.75, unch., 4.35.
1933, 105.25, unch., 4.35.
1934, 104.19, unch., 4.37.
1937, 108.60, unch., 4.61.
5% Renewal Loan.
1927, 103.20, unch., 4.70.
1932, 103.20, unch., 5.00.
5% War Loan.
1925, 100.20, unch., 4.09.
1931, 102.19, unch., 4.34.
1937, 103.60, unch., 4.61.
5% Refunding Loan.
1925, 100.85, unch., 4.76.
1937, 101.65, unch., 4.76.

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How the Stocks Closed At Noon

New York

Reported for The Advertiser by Jones, Easton, McCallum Company.
New York, Dec. 16, 1924.

Reported for Jones & Watson New York, Dec. 16-17		Metallum Dec. 16-17	
Stocks	Open	High	Low
Am. Rubber	14	14 1/4	14
Am. Chem.	8 1/4	8 1/4	8 1/4
Am. Can.	14 1/4	14 1/4	14 1/4
Am. Oil	14 1/4	14 1/4	14 1/4
Am. Sugar	14 1/4	14 1/4	14 1/4
Am. Tobacco	14 1/4	14 1/4	14 1/4
Am. Cotton	14 1/4	14 1/4	14 1/4
Am. Lumber	14 1/4	14 1/4	14 1/4
Am. Hide	14 1/4	14 1/4	14 1/4
Am. Int. Corp.	14 1/4	14 1/4	14 1/4
Am. Leather	14 1/4	14 1/4	14 1/4
Am. Steel	14 1/4	14 1/4	14 1/4
Am. Sugar Ref.	14 1/4	14 1/4	14 1/4
Am. Sumatra	14 1/4	14 1/4	14 1/4
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DIED.
MACLELLAN—At her late residence, 1000 Dundas St. W., on Tuesday, Dec. 15, 1924, at 2 p.m., after a long illness, Mrs. M. Maclellan, in her 87th year.

Private funeral services from the above address on Wednesday, Dec. 17, 1924, at 2 p.m. Interment at Poplar Cemetery. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation.

MILLER—At her late residence, 1000 Dundas St. W., on Tuesday, Dec. 15, 1924, at 2 p.m., after a long illness, Mrs. M. Miller, in her 77th year.

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OVENS—At his late residence, 1000 Dundas St. W., on Tuesday, Dec. 15, 1924, at 2 p.m., after a long illness, Mr. J. W. Owens, in his 78th year.

Funeral Wednesday, Dec. 17, from the pipe organ at 1:30 p.m. Service at Banner Methodist Church at 2 p.m. Interment at Banner Cemetery. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation.

VITA—At the family residence, 1000 Dundas St. W., on Tuesday, Dec. 15, 1924, at 2 p.m., after a long illness, Mrs. M. Vita, in her 80th year.

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CHRISTMAS GIFT SUGGESTIONS

FOR THE GENTLEMEN.
ACCORIONS—From \$5 up. Ashton's Music Store, 627 Dundas St. Phone 5508.

ALICE—REAL STOCK ALE, Burton, and Stout, Tel. 534W. Delivered free. Victoria Products, 75 Dundas St.

BRUSHES—Ebony and tortoise-shell. J. Darch & Sons, 379-383 Talbot Street.

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Because we feel that our patrons are our friends, we are going to be informal and invite you to our kitchen.

If you've been lunching or tea-ing in our restaurant, you'd like, we're sure, to see "how it's done" and "where it's done."

And it's with just a little pardonable pride that we invite you to see our kitchen. It has recently been re-arranged and spotless with new fittings and conveniences.

When you visit us for luncheon or tea tomorrow, please ask to see the kitchen. Or whenever you're in the store this week, we'd be glad to have you visit it. For you'll enjoy your tour of inspection.

Restaurant, Fourth Floor.

The Great Christmas GIFT SHOP



Store Closes Today
Wednesday and Thursday at 6 p.m.

FRIDAY, SATURDAY and UNTIL CHRISTMAS, OPEN TILL 10 P.M.

IN RESTAURANT
Today—Roast Duck Course Dinner, 65c.
Tomorrow—Roast Chicken Course Dinner, 65c.

The Favorite Gift Will Be a FUR COAT



If your gift is to be the nicest of all gifts, it may wisely be the fur coat.

These are models for the younger woman or the matron. Muskrat Coats, 45-inch to 48-inch, with bolster or tucked collar, striped or spider border, five and six skins wide; flare cuff with border; in both wrap and three-button closing \$115.00 to \$185.00

Electric Seal Coats, with collar and cuffs of Alaska sable. In tucked or shawl effect; 45-inch to 48-inch \$165.00 to \$210.00

Hudson Seal Coats, with Alaska sable, tucked collar, flare sleeve with sable cuff; 45 inches long \$350.00

Other models .. \$400.00, \$450.00
Persian Lamb Coats, trimmed with sable, squirrel kolinsky. \$300.00, \$450.00

Fur Department, Second Floor.

Christmas Sale Community Silverware

A special reduction of one-quarter off list prices on all Community Silverware.
Main Floor.

The Fur Gift Is the Luxury Gift

Furs for a thoughtful gift; Furs for a modish gift; and Furs for a practical gift. The Christmas sentiment goes in an acceptable form when it accompanies one of these smart neckpieces.

Brown Fox Neckpieces in animal style, at \$19.50, \$25.00, \$40.00 to \$45.00
Red Fox Neckpieces in animal style, at \$45.00
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KNITTED VESTS

Well dressed men are wearing them. They are very stylish, very comfortable, very serviceable, very dressy for day or evening wear. Very clever patterns and weaves here from \$5 to \$15

SWEATER — A GIFT TO A GOLFER

A Sweater is an ideal gift to a man who golfs—it's a most acceptable gift, too, to the man who doesn't, for what ever sport a man is interested in—even for outdoor business wear a Sweater is a mighty handy garment to own. These are magnificent effects \$7.50
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These things are about the only jewelry the man with refined taste really cares for. That is because they are a fashion requirement rather than a mere adornment. \$2.00

LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS, DIRECT FROM IRELAND, 50c

No one ever went wrong in giving a man Handkerchiefs. He always needs them. With the whole family borrowing from him, it's a wonder he ever has one for himself. These at 50c are fine Irish linen, hemstitched, plain or fancy initial; boxed. Imported Colored Border Handkerchiefs 35c and 50c

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All boxed gift stationery at \$1.00 and over will be initialed in gold free of charge until Christmas. Order now and avoid disappointment in the last rush.

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All Fountain Pens, Eversharp Pencils, Compacts, Combs, etc., may be had now with the name of the recipient engraved thereon, making a more personal gift. Waterman and Parker Dufold Pens in all styles and sizes.

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Don't fail to inspect this most complete collection, included amongst which will be found exhibition pieces of the Kir-antiques; one piece over 150 antiques; one piece over 150 years old, a palace strip 19 ft. in length by 6 ft. in width.

Saddle and Carrier Bags. \$5.00 up

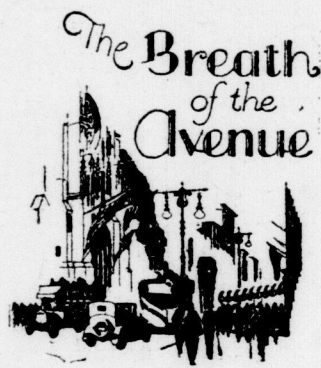
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Persian Beloughistan Rugs \$15.00 up

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NEW YORK FASHION NOTES

From THE BREATH OF THE AVENUE.
Fashion has made us so enthusiastic about the ensemble idea that single gifts seem incomplete this year.

So if you're giving gloves, tuck a harmonizing handkerchief in the holly package. Or give gloves to match handbags.

If it's stockings, match them up with frilly garters. Then slip the garters around the stocking gift box that your gift may be festive as well as fashionable.

And let the bright flower make the finishing Christmas touch for many gifts.

Or if you're giving flowers, by themselves, give several. The smart woman suits her flower to her costume as she suits her costume to the occasion.

For Fashion speaks the language of flowers this Christmas. There's the orchid—that's for evening. And chrysanthemum—that's for outdoor hours. And there's the flat gardenia—fit for the trim lapel of the tailored dress. Give all three!

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In Toy Town

Steering Sleighs \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00 and \$2.25

Wooden Sleighs 50c, 75c, 90c and \$1.25

Auto Carts, disc wheels \$3.00, \$4.00 and \$4.50

Auto Wheel Coasters, spoke, wheels and iron tires \$4.75, \$5.50, \$6.00 and \$6.75

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A DOLL CARRIAGE FOR THE LITTLE LADY

Small rubberoid, specially priced for quick selling 49c and \$1.19

Reed and Wicker Carriages of wonderful durability, in colors of ceru and royal blue, selling at \$6.00, \$6.75, \$7.00, \$8.00, \$10.00, \$10.50 to \$15.00.

Small Tin Sulkies, iron tires. \$1.25

Small Tin Sulkies, rubber tires \$1.50

New Faille Hats For Christmas

Smart little Hats of gleaming-surfaced faille silk. Youthful shapes for the holiday girl. The girl who feels Christmas would not be a success without a new hat.

More mature shapes for the matron, who will want one to supplement her fur coat. Shapes are new. Colors are smart. Prices are moderate \$5.25 to \$9.50

Millinery Department, Second Floor.



Lengths of Plain and Fancy Silk Crepes For Gift Scarfs, \$1.50 \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.50 Per Scarf Length

ON SALE SILK DEPARTMENT, MAIN FLOOR.

Buying these lengths saves you about half the price of made-up scarfs. All these charming colors in a pure silk crepe, tangerine, pillar box red, orchid, purple, pansy, wistaria, peach, pink, sunset, canna, henna, honeydew yellow, jade, turquoise, sapphire, etc. Wonderful patterns in Silk Crepes—floral, allover and conventional designs, in combinations of newest colorings. These are gift suggestions of something appreciated by women and gifts that are useful and practical

PARCELING and MAILING BOOTH
Fifth Floor.
GIFT BAZAAR
On Second Floor.
CANDY BUTCHER SHOP
Main Floor.

Bonnet's Black Charmeuse Satin \$2.69 Yard

A timely purchase for Christmas gifts. Here is the famous Bonnet Charmeuse, on sale at the lowest price in years; 39-inch. Special \$2.69 yard

Black Crepe Satin, \$3.29 Yard

Rich satin face on a beautiful Silk Crepe back. In fact, either side may be used for wear. An offer of an exceptionally good quality at this price came our way. You make a like saving, too. There is also navy and brown in the lot; 35 inches wide. Special \$3.29 yard

Main Floor, West Aisle.

GIFT HOSE

A pair of Hose in a pretty holly box is a popular solution for the gift problem. At the Hosiery Counter are every sort of Hose, from sheerest silk for evening wear to stout English woolens for the daytime sports girl.

Full-fashioned Hose in pure thread silk; black or champagne; sizes 8½ to 10 \$2.00 pair

Hosiery Counter, Main Floor.

GIFT HOSE

Full-fashioned "silk to top" Hose, with the Paris open-work clock. The prettiest Hose for evening wear. \$4.50 and \$5.00 pair

Full-fashioned Hose in "cedar"—a new shade to complement the modish tan shoes; or in black, piping rock, acorn, sunset, twig, duck, bobolink and white. \$2.50 pair

— THE MEN'S SHOP OFFERS SUGGESTIONS — Gift Hopes of Every Man Who Hopes at All

Some women never understand a man's idea of Christmas gifts because few men are frank and tactless enough to evidence their disappointment when the wrong thing is given. But take a man's word for it that you can never make a mistake by giving him things to wear.

BOTANY WOOL HOSE IN THE BEST ENGLISH MAKES, \$1.00 PAIR

The prevalent mode for low shoes indorses these warm Hose from England for gift giving. They help him negotiate the new style comfortably as well as smartly; presented in a handsome range of shades, and other men's Hose at 50c to \$3.00

WOOL-LINED MOCHA AND CAPE GLOVES

Special purchase of Men's Wool-Lined Cape and Mocha Gloves; good fitting and warm. About half price. Sale price \$1.49 pair

STRIPED NECKWEAR

Imported silks; authentic presentations of the colors of the crack "guards" outfits of Great Britain, in repps, magadois and silk and wool crepps. Others in mannish patterns; plain \$1.50; others at 50c and \$1.00.

"HICKOK" BELTS FOR BOYS, 50c

Solid Leather Belts in black or tan, with bright buckle; sizes for boys of all ages; an ideal gift to a boy 50c

He prefers to buy his own cigars, his own motor accessories, his own golf clubs, but he has complete confidence in a woman's taste when it comes to haberdashery—especially if it is chosen here, where he knows everything handled is in good taste and in good style.

MEN'S LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS, 29c

Another splendid lot of Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, hem-stitched; good full size, and an exceptional value for handkerchiefs of this quality. Special 29c

WHITE TOQUES, 79c

White All-Wool Toques, fine and heavy weaves, with medium or large pompon. Special 79c

SMOKING JACKETS

About every other Christmas you can depend upon it, he can use a new Smoking Jacket. If he didn't get one last Christmas you can solve your gift problem easily and satisfactorily with this suggestion \$10.00 to \$25.00

PYJAMAS

If it's a husband, a son or a brother who is to be the recipient, you know whether or not he needs pyjamas, and if he does it's a good item to choose for him. Very smart ones here from \$2.50 to \$8.00

LOUNGING ROBES

An item any man will welcome because it gives him the chance to blend comfort with elegance. We have all kinds from the richest silks to serviceable blanket cloths at \$10.00 to \$25.00



NEW MODISH MUFLERS

Because the Muffler has become such an important style accessory to a man's wardrobe, much attention has been given to the beautifying and glorifying of this item beyond its mere comfort feature. Here you will see that trend at its utmost in fine Silk or Imported Wool Mufflers at \$3.00 to \$6.00
Others, \$1.50 up.

INTERWOVEN HOSIERY SAMPLES ON SALE TOMORROW

WOOL, SILK AND WOOL, PURE SILK AND LISLE—ONE-THIRD OFF REGULAR PRICE

A special purchase of "Interwoven" Hose for men. These are samples and the prices represent unusual savings in high-grade Hosiery. Size 10½ only; pure wool ribbed, medium and extra weight, pure silk, ribbed silk 49c 79c 98c \$1.49 and Lisle. On sale tomorrow..

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