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## GERMAN TROOPS OCCUPY LODZ

Capture of Town Officially Re-  
ported From Berlin and  
London.

## RUSSIAN STATEMENT MADE

Impossible at This Time to Estimate  
Losses or to Ascertain Number of  
Prisoners—German Attempt to  
Cross the River Said to Have Failed.

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nounced this morning that the Ger-  
mans occupied Lodz, in Russian Pol-  
and, on Sunday. Lodz is the second  
largest city of Russian Poland and is  
75 miles southwest of Warsaw, the  
Polish capital.

The official communication issued  
yesterday merely stated that "the bat-  
tle around Lodz is taking its course  
as we expected," and continued:

"Nothing of note has taken place in  
the war area east of the Mazurian  
lakes, where the enemy remained  
quiet. In southern Poland there is no  
change in the situation."

Another official statement from the  
German headquarters given out ear-  
lier yesterday was as follows:

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statement of November 29 that the  
German attacks in the vicinity of  
Czestochowa failed with many cas-  
ualties to the Germans is false, the  
truth being quite the contrary. The  
attack of the Seventeenth Russian  
corps, which approached to within six-  
ty-five yards of our lines, was re-  
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## REPORT OSTEND IN FLAMES

News of Calamity Reaches London,  
But Its Cause Has Not Been  
Ascertained.

London.—"Ostend is reported to be  
on fire," says the Daily Chronicle in a  
dispatch from Dunkirk. "It is believed  
the conflagration was caused  
either by a British bombardment or  
German incendiaries."

London, Dec. 6.—The allies continue  
to push forward in Flanders and in  
northern France, but the Germans ex-  
plain that they are giving ground for  
tactical and strategical reasons. The  
advance, as far as Flanders is con-  
cerned, seems to have been checked  
on the outskirts of Langemarck.

Seemingly more important is the un-  
official statement that the French have  
interfered with the German com-  
munications between Metz and the  
Woevre district in France, for here,  
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## PHONE COMPANIES ALLOWED TO MERGE

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AT  
WASHINGTON GIVES  
CONSENT.

## UNION DESIRED BY PATRONS

Properties Michigan State Telephone  
Co. in Branch and St. Joseph  
Counties to Be Taken Over  
By Independent Co.

Lansing.—The state railroad com-  
mission has authorized the merger of  
the Michigan State Telephone Co. prop-  
erties in Branch and St. Joseph  
counties with those of the Southern  
Michigan Telephone Co., whereby the  
independent company takes over the  
interests of the Bell, and the Southern  
Michigan comes in control of the tele-  
phone business of the counties.

The decision of the railroad com-  
mission was based on an opinion received  
from the department of justice at  
Washington in which the federal de-  
partment holds that the merger is  
not in violation of the Sherman anti-  
trust law and which places the Michi-  
gan railroad commission in the posi-  
tion of being authorized in the future  
to allow consolidations of telephone  
companies without fear of the federal  
law.

The opinion of the federal depart-  
ment gives the railroad commission  
one of the most sweeping authoriza-  
tions that has been made in recent  
years and paves the way for the  
commission to go ahead and allow  
mergers that have been tied up for a  
year pending the result of the depart-  
ment of justice's attitude in these  
matters.

The merger involves not only the  
Michigan State and Southern Michi-  
gan properties in the two counties,  
but certain properties of the Three  
Rivers Telephone Co. and properties  
of the five other small companies, all  
independently owned.

Several months ago a petition was  
received by the railroad commission  
signed by over 3,000 subscribers of  
the companies who desired the com-  
mission to authorize the merger on  
the grounds that there were to many  
companies in the district and one  
company would be ample to do the  
business.

Attest: Philip Bush is president,  
Howard Allen vice-president and L. O.  
Graham cashier. There are 35 stock-  
holders all residing in that vicinity.

Governor Ferris has named John  
C. Ketchum, Hastings, G. H. Hagger-  
son, Menominee, and James Couzens,  
Detroit, members of commission to  
investigate a proposed branch of the  
Lincoln highway in Michigan.

One of the most successful conven-  
tions ever held by the Michigan State  
Horticultural society came to a close  
at Kalamazoo Thursday afternoon.  
Muskegon was selected as the next  
meeting place of the fruit growers.

The Gobleville State bank with a  
reserve of \$90,000 opened for business  
Saturday. Philip Bush is president,  
Howard Allen vice-president and L. O.  
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William Elkins was drowned when  
his row boat overturned, 25 feet from  
the dock. He was a resident of Al-  
gonquin, near Sault Ste. Marie. His  
son, Clyde, was with Mr. Elkins in  
the boat, but was unable to save his  
father. The body was recovered.

Angry because his wife had him ar-  
rested for non-support and was leav-  
ing him with her parents for her home  
in Milwaukee, Peter Tonari, a Calumet  
miner, shot the woman three times in  
the head, inflicting fatal wounds and  
made a futile attempt to take his own  
life.

Atty. Gen. Fellows has returned  
from Washington with a ruling on the  
new federal stamp tax as applied to  
state documents and certificates. The  
ruling is that certificates issued by  
the state in discharge of its official  
functions need not be stamped. In  
other words, the state does not have  
to pay a tax to transact its necessary  
duties.

A. L. Hopkins, of Bear Lake, was  
Saturday re-elected president of the  
at the closing session of the delegates  
Michigan Potato Growers' Association  
at Kalamazoo. Other officers re-elected  
are Secretary C. W. Wald, East  
Lansing; treasurer, Ernest A. Bessey,  
East Lansing; members of executive  
committee, F. J. Stafford, Elmira, and  
Jacob Woodman, Kalamazoo.

Saginaw was first choice as the  
place for the holding of the State  
Teachers' convention in 1914, at a  
meeting of the executive committee  
in Lansing Friday. Should Saginaw  
fail to make proper showing as to  
auditorium capacity, hotel accommoda-  
tions and financial backing, the de-  
cision will be between Detroit and  
Lansing in the order named.

Melvin Baker, aged 11, son of J. D.  
Baker, who lives about four miles  
south of Grand Blanc, was accidentally  
killed Saturday afternoon, while hunting.  
Baker, in the absence of his family,  
had taken his father's gun and had gone into swamp near the  
house with Charles Scott, aged 18.  
While they were climbing a fence the  
gun was accidentally discharged.

Auditor General Fuller will recom-  
mend to the next legislature that the  
mineral reservation tax law passed at  
the session of 1911 be repealed. Under  
the provisions of this law the state is  
required to tax all mineral rights reserved  
in deeds when property is transferred.  
Mr. Fuller says the tax law has been a  
constant expense.

Charles E. Platzer, 32, a baker, Mon-  
day night called at police headquarters  
in Grand Rapids and gave himself up  
after he had gone to the home of Mrs.  
Della Stratton, 48, and shot her dead.  
Platzer says jealousy caused him to  
kill the woman.

Eighteen months ago, Edward Gard-  
ner, an Ann Arbor switchman, was  
brushed from a car in the yards of  
the company at Owosso by a project-  
ing board, run over and killed. His  
widow brought suit for \$25,000, but  
Monday the company settled for \$4,  
000.

Numbers of light guns with a range  
of seven kilometers have been mount-  
ed on motor lorries which have been  
fitted with large springs, which are  
arranged in a manner to keep the gun  
steady while it is being fired and to  
break the recoil.

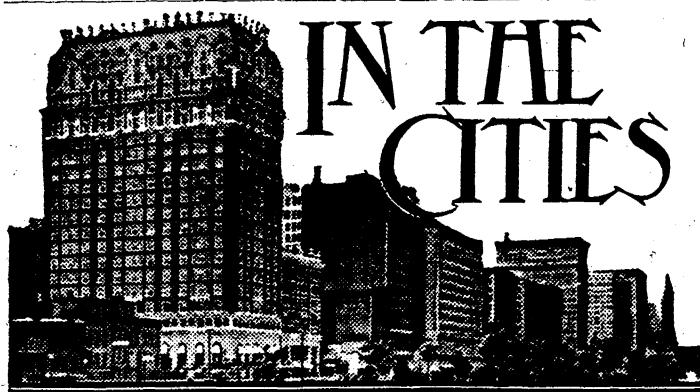
A boy discovered the flames about  
9 o'clock. Owing to the high wind  
and the inflammable contents of the  
mills little could be done to stay the  
progress of the flames. A hard fight  
prevented adjoining property from  
being destroyed.

Shortly after the fire broke out  
mill dust exploded with terrible force  
and Austin Crane was slightly in-  
jured.

German Statement Brief.  
Berlin, via wireless to London, Dec.  
2.—Today's official statement was  
limited to the following brief an-  
nouncement:

"In neither theater of the war has  
anything of importance happened."

German Air Losses Heavy.  
Paris, Dec. 4.—Computing the Ger-  
man aerial losses as near as possible,  
it is figured that the Germans have  
lost seven Zeppelins and 52 aero-<



## Residents of Detroit Lay in Their Winter Fuel

**D**ETROIT.—Al Jennings, the James brothers, the Daltons and other train robbers, whose deeds made them the heroes of many hair raising stories, have imitators among boys in the western part of the city who for effective measures cannot be out-classed.

Stones are their weapons. Later on snowballs will be used. Selecting a careful place of ambush, the boys wait for a freight train to come by. The crew is treated to a shower of missiles. Back comes a fusillade of coal, heaved by engineer, fireman and brakeman.

"Hurrah!" shouted the boys—and begin to gather in the coal. After several repetitions enough coal has been gathered to supply heat for a little home which would otherwise be cold.

With the approach of winter weather the annual fight of the railroads against coal thieves begins in earnest. Each year the railroads in Detroit lose thousands of dollars in stolen coal. Women and children are the principal offenders. Nearly every morning now there are women brought into court, caught taking coal from railroad cars.

Recently a mother and her four children were brought into court for stealing coal. To frighten the judge threatened to send the two oldest to jail for a year. "How would you like that?" he asked.

"Go ahead," was the answer. "There are too many home anyway."

Another woman and two children were brought in on the same charge and found guilty. They protested they had no money to pay a ten-dollar fine. The judge wasn't satisfied and ordered the woman held. In a few minutes one of the children came in with the money.

"If you're so hoggish about it, you can have it," she told the court.

"Dealing with coal thieves is a tremendous problem for the railroads," said a railroad chief of detectives. "The annual loss throughout the country runs into millions of dollars. Detroit contributes its share to the total. I have known women to empty an entire carload of coal in a morning."

## Even the President Had to Be Announced There

**N**EW YORK.—President Wilson wound up a recent week-end in New York with a final Haroun-al-Raschid experience, over which he laughed heartily. En route to the station the president decided to pay a brief visit to Mrs. Anna Wilson Howe, his sister,



who has apartments at Eightieth street and Columbus avenue. Miss Anderson, one of the proprietors of the apartment house, has had difficulty in impressing upon the elevator boys that no callers shall be taken up until they have first been announced to the guests. Miss Anderson reproved W. Higgins, a West Indian boy, saying:

"Understand now, Higgins, no one is to be taken up until they have been announced first—no one, understand, not even the president of the United States."

When two distinguished-looking gentlemen, followed by several alert young men, entered and walked directly to the elevator, Higgins promptly intercepted them.

"De rule is for to announce all gemmen fust," he said.

"Very well," replied the taller of the two men. "Just say to Mrs. Howe that Mr. Wilson is calling."

Higgins toward the telephone when one of the young men halted him.

"It's all right, boy," he said, "this is the president of the United States."

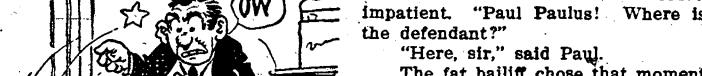
"Don't make up diffrance, boss," he said. "Miss Anderson say even the president of the United States got to be announced fust."

The president burst into a hearty laugh, in which he was joined by Colonel House, his companion.

"That is perfectly right, my boy," he said.

## Chicago Midget Is a Bit Rough When Drinking

**C**HICAGO.—Paul Paulus is little—but, as the saying is, Oh, my! When Paul was arraigned before (or more properly beneath) Judge Torrison he was completely concealed from the judge's eyes by the left leg of a fat bailiff.



"Paul Paulus!" called the court, impatient. "Paul Paulus! Where is the defendant?"

"Here, sir," said Paul.

The fat bailiff chose that moment to shift his position and Paul, drawn down to his full height of two feet eleven, stood revealed. Judge Torrison blinked. At his side towered Charles H. Merzer, a 210 pounder, who used to be sheriff in Salt Lake City. Merzer now has a restaurant

at 2150 North Clark street.

"This man, your honor," said Merzer, "came into my restaurant last night and started a disturbance. He smashed my watch, scared my customers, and threatened to clean out the place."

"Why didn't you pick him up and set him outside?" asked the court.

"I did that," answered the restaurant man. "I was trying it when he broke my watch. It took me nearly two hours to do it. He's strong and as tough a customer as I ever met."

Judge Torrison called on the defendant.

"I guess it's just about the way this man says," said Paul sheepishly.

"When I'm not drinking I'm as peaceful as anybody else, but I guess I get a little rough when I have a few."

Paul, after paying a one-dollar fine and promising to have Merzer's watch repaired reached up and grasped the hand of his late adversary.

"No hard feelings on my part, old chap," he said. "I hope you won't think it's my habit to play the bully."

## Christmas Present Factory in Denver Is Busy

**D**ENVER.—Uncle Sam is busy in Denver turning out the largest order of Christmas presents manufactured in the nation. No factory in the United States will manufacture Christmas produce of greater value than will the government in Denver this fall.

So great is the rush for Uncle Sam's Christmas gifts that he has been at work for some time preparing them and will continue to work until the holidays.

The particular gift to which he is turning his energies is money. Always before Christmas there is a demand from all parts of the nation for gold coins for presents, and the Denver mint has been selected to supply the entire output for the middle West, East and South.

One million dollars' worth of \$2.50 gold pieces are now being coined at the mint. These are distinctively Christmas coins. Always before the holidays there is a heavy demand for them. And after Christmas they drift back to the banks and subtreasuries and only a few remain in circulation.

The order is the second in that denomination which the Denver mint has filled and the local mint will be the only one this year to coin gold in this denomination. The coins are the most difficult to handle of all those turned out by the government. They are smaller than pennies, yet their value is so high that great pains must be taken with them.

After the 400,000 pieces in the order have been coined they will be sold to banks and individuals and shipped to subtreasuries to supply the Christmas demand.

The mint will also coin \$5, \$10 and \$20 gold pieces before the holidays.



## GERMANS TAKE CITY OF LODZ

Important Victory of Kaiser's Forces Is Announced.

## WARSAW NEXT OBJECT

Occupation of Lodz a Prelude to Further Activity—Russians Claim Victories—French Official Statements Continue Optimistic.

London, Dec. 7.—It was officially announced in Berlin today that the Germans occupied Lodz Sunday.

Lodz is the second city in Poland and lies 75 miles to the southwest of Warsaw.

Around this important town a desperate battle has raged for days. Here countless thousands have fallen in desperate hand-to-hand conflicts and from the shells of hundreds of guns.

Fighting is Heavy.

It was evident from the occupation of Lodz by the Germans that the heaviest kind of fighting has been going on, for late advices told of a vicious attack and bombardment of Lodz and fighting on the outskirts of the city, and previous to that, of operations 20 miles west of Plotkow, which lies considerably south of Lodz, and along a line from Glowno, 16 miles northeast of Lodz, to the Vistula river.

Lodz has long been an objective point of the German army. It has grown in recent years from an insignificant place to be one of the most populous cities in the Russian empire.

In 1910 its population numbered 415,604, and with this important place as a base it is expected that the Germans will make a strong effort to reach the Polish capital of Warsaw.

Ridicule German Claim.

Petrograd, via London, Dec. 6.—An official statement issued here describes as ridiculous the German claims of having captured enormous numbers of prisoners, cannon and machine guns. It says that the allies have been fighting continuously and that it is impossible to estimate the losses.

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"Neither do the Germans mention the supply columns which they burned nor the cannon and ammunition which they abandoned in the forests and which we are gradually finding."

The capture of one of the advance positions at Przemysl is regarded as conferring a valuable advantage to the Russians in their attack on the fortress. Russians are pushing in small bodies steadily across the plains of Hungary and fugitives are en route to Budapest.

2,200 Russians Captured.

Vienna, via London, Dec. 6.—The following official communication was issued today:

"The battle in Poland is progressing favorably. The Russian forces which marched to western Galicia were attacked by Austrian and German troops. We captured 2,200 prisoners and some trains.

"In the Carpathians there has been some fighting. The enemy, who broke into Beskit-Stelburg, has been repulsed with the loss of 500 prisoners."

Russ Report Termed False.

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By  
GEORGE ADE

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**M**R. SIDNEY PAYSON was full of the bitterness of Christmas-tide. Mr. Payson was the kind of man who loved to tell invalids that they were not looking as well as usual, and who frightened young husbands by predicting that they would regret having married. He seldom put the seal of approval on any human undertaking. It was a matter of pride with him that he never failed to find the sinister motive for the act which other people applauded. Some of his pious friends used to say that Satan had got the upper hand with him, but there were others who indicated that it might be.

Think of the seething wrath and the sense of humiliation with which Mr. Sidney Payson set about his Christmas shopping! In the first place, to go shopping for Christmas presents was the most conventional thing that anyone could do, and Mr. Payson hated conventionalities. For another thing, the giving of Christmas presents carried with it some testimony of affection, and Mr. Payson regarded any display of affection as one of the crude symptoms of barbarous taste. If he could have assembled his relatives at a Christmas gathering and opened a few old family wounds, reminding his brother and his two sisters of some of their youthful follies, thus shaming them before the children, Mr. Sidney Payson might have managed to make out a rather merry Christmas. Instead of that, he was condemned to go out and purchase gifts and be as cheaply idiotic as the other wretched mortals with whom he was being carried along. No wonder that he chafed and rebelled and vainly wished that he could hang crepe on every Christmas tree in the universe.

Mr. Sidney Payson hated his task and he was puzzled by it. After wandering through two stores and looking in at 20 windows he had been unable to make one selection. It seemed to him that all the articles offered for sale were singularly and uniformly inappropriate. The custom of giving was a farce in itself, and the stockkeepers had done what they could to make it a sickening travesty.

"I'll go ahead and buy a lot of things at haphazard," he said to himself. "I don't care a hang whether they are appropriate or not."

At that moment he had an inspiration. It was an inspiration which could have come to no one except Mr. Sidney Payson. It promised a speedy



"I'll Take Them."

end to shopping hardships. It guaranteed him a Christmas to his own liking.

He was bound by family custom to buy Christmas presents for his relatives. He had promised his sister that he would remember everyone on the list. But he was under no obligation to give presents which would be welcome. Why not give to each of his relatives some present which would be entirely useless, inappropriate and superfluous? It would serve them right for involving him in the childish performances of the Christmas season. It would be a burlesque on the whole nonsensicality of Christmas giving. It would irritate and puzzle his relatives and probably deepen their hatred of him. At any rate, it would be a satire on a silly tradition, and thank goodness, it wouldn't be conventional.

Mr. Sidney Payson went into the first department store and found himself at the book counter.

"Have you any work which would be suitable for an elderly gentleman of studious habits and deep religious convictions?" he asked.

"We have here the works of Flavus Josephus in two volumes," replied the young woman.

"All right, I'll take them," he said. "I want them for my nephew Fred. He likes Indian stories."

The salesgirl looked at him wonderingly.

"Now, then, I want a love story," said Mr. Payson. "I have a maiden sister who is president of a Ruskin club and writes essays about Buddhism. I want to give her a book that tells about a girl named Mabel who is loved by Sir Hector Something-or-Other. Give me a book that is full of hugs and kisses and heaving bosoms and all that sort of rot. Get just as far away from Ibsen and Howells

and Henry James as you can possibly get."

"Here is a book that all the girls in the store say is very good," replied the young woman. "It is called 'Vigie's Betrothal' or 'The Stranger at Birchwood Manor.' It's by Imogene Sybil Beauchere."

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He saw a box of cravats marked "25 cents each."

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On account of the continued warm weather this fall certain lines of merchandise have been slow selling. We find it very necessary to move some of these goods and in order to convert goods into cash we are making January prices in December. The sweeping reductions we are offering in all departments come at a most opportune time. Winter has just begun and the demand for winter goods will continue for months to come.

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Note the Special Prices on the hand bills. Remember the date and come early.

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10 lbs. Granulated Sugar, 50c  
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15c can Calumet Baking Powder, 11c  
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**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1914**

In February the U. of M. will begin a short course in highway engineering.

What's the good of Thanksgiving? Why, don't you give thanks? Yes, if I get a big dinner.

Admiral Badger says: "Ship for ship, the American navy is as good as the navy of any other nation."

Boys, have you got the real Christmas spirit, the kind that prompts you to hustle and do all the chores and errands your parents want you to.

The libel suit between E. J. VanDeMark and the Clinton Local was settled without going to trial. The Local made a retraction and other settlement satisfactory to Van.

Judge Kline is bound to clear up the circuit court calendar this month and at the opening of court Monday, gave the lawyers to understand that he would book no delays.

We hope that every advertisement in this paper will be read by everyone. Our merchants have goods to sell, such goods as everybody needs and they should have your patronage.

Don't get despondent over the European war, those people are not worrying, much according to papers and letters received from Germany and are expecting to fight it out if it takes two years or longer.

Inquiring of farmers in this and the surrounding towns brings the good news that wheat is looking fine. Some report that they have found some insects in their wheat but not enough to do much damage as yet.

It is claimed that State Food Commissioner J. W. Helme will try to have the legislature pass a bill to abolish distilled whiskey, wine and other doped temperance drinks. He thinks "quirrel" whiskey is a particular menace.

The time has again arrived for paying taxes. The first Friday in December annually is the date on which the town ship treasurers are supposed to be ready to receive taxes and give receipt therefore.

There has been a report circulated that the state tax is lower than it was last year. This is because someone wanted to be economical and cut out appropriations for state institutions when he ought to know that those institutions had to be supported and furthermore that they had to be enlarged and improved to meet the demands of an increasing population. The state institutions are a tax upon the people and we cannot expect our tax to be much less.

I will be at Yocom, Marx & Co.'s, clothing department every Saturday afternoon and evening during December to draw orders for road repair and highway work.

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## Personal Mention

Miss Rosa Adrian visited over Sunday in Ann Arbor.

Walter and Viola Dietle went to Ann Arbor Monday in their car.

Mr. Agnes Schable of Ann Arbor visited Mr. A. J. Hough, last Friday.

George W. Harris of Norwell paid the Enterprise a short call last Saturday.

Mr. & Mrs. Geo Hanna made a business trip to Jackson Saturday night.

Mrs. Gust Hildinger and son Luther went to Ann Arbor Monday to spend a week.

Mat D. Blosser went to Lansing Saturday night to see Mr. & Mrs. B. F. Burleson.

Dr. Guy Katner, formerly dentist here has been elected master of the Saline Masonic Lodge.

Mrs. F. Breitenwischer of Ann Arbor visited her son Gust, and family here from Saturday until Tuesday.

in fact everything you can think of in the gift line. Come in and look our assortment over.

Some very fine patterns in Bath Robes, Crib Blankets and Fancy Blankets.

See our Show Window for Silver Prizes to be given at the Poultry Show in Huber's Garage Dec. 17-23.

## Girls and Boys

We want to call your attention to our splendid assortment of

Toys of all kinds, Doll Carts, Rifles, Sleds, Chairs, Rocking Chairs, Wagons, Cradles, Wash Tubs, Boilers, Washing Machines, in fact everything you can think of in the toy line.

## For the Older Folks

We have Fancy Box Stationery, Fancy Handkerchiefs, Gloves, Mittens, Chinaware, Enamelware, Hosiery, Rugs, Outing Flannels, Muslins, Towels and Towing Corsets, Fancy Collars, Ivory and Ebony Toilet Sets, all kinds of Embroidery and Crochet Threads,

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## THE FAIR

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## An Attractive Home

## Our Best Christmas Suggestion

A room furnished thoughtfully, one that reflects cheerfulness and comfort, one that welcomes a guest, is something to be remembered.

**Why Not Take This Suggestion and Put into Effect This Christmas?**  
Surely Is a Practical One

To accomplish this result it may require only a Comfortable Rocker, a Davenport, a Couch, Dining or Library Table or even a Kitchen Cabinet or whatever needed you can find here.

**E. C. JENTER, Furniture Dealer**

**Don't Forget the Poultry Show Dec. 17-23**

## Don't Overlook This!

We are going out of the toy business and are

## Closing Out Toys and Dolls

## 1-4 Off

We have a fine new line of Stationery, Toilet Sets, Perfumes, Cut Glass at LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICES.

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FOR YOUR

## Christmas Baking

Also be sure and come to the Boys' and Girls' Corn Contest at the Poultry Show Dec. 17-23 at Huber's Garage.

If you want to be up to date and "nobby" neck wear you want go to Woerthner Bros.

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in your home or at Studio over Enterprise Office every Wednesday.

Make your appointment for Christmas Photos NOW

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Manufacturers and Wholesalers

Office of the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railway Company.

CLEVELAND, OHIO, October 15th, 1914.

NOTICE HEREBY IS GIVEN, that a

Stock Meeting of the Stockholders of The Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railway Company will be called and will be held at the Company's principal office in Cleveland, Ohio, on the 21st day of December, 1914, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, Eastern Time,

for the purpose of considering and voting upon

## Local Items.

## New Advertisements

The Fair  
E. C. Jester  
Mack & Co.  
City Bakery  
Peoples Bank  
J. E. Beckiger  
Louler & Hofer  
Ehnsauer & Sons  
East Side Grocer  
Wuerthner Bros.  
Snowman, druggist  
Yocom, Marx & Co.  
G. E. Bredebaucher  
Union Savings Bank  
Manchester Candy Kitchen

Two weeks from Friday will be Christmas.

The children are watching the store windows for Christmas toys.

Will Kern has bought the Mack Robinson place on Clinton street.

We are printing invitations for a Christmas dance to be given by our young men.

Huber's garage will be a fine place place for the show to be held next week of poultry, corn, etc.

Will Kern has wired Mat Wurster's, Will Schable's and Byron Hunt's residences for electricity.

Charles Bartleson reports that he has shipped about 3000 hogs during the past week or more, for various stations.

Ferdinand Huber ought to have some of those new patterns of Ford cars at his garage next week for the roosters to crow over.

Readers, we pray you, read the advertisements this week if you have never done so before. There is something in them for everybody.

We must again ask our friends to send in items as early as possible. Frequently items do not reach the office before Thursday, that seemingly could have been sent on Monday or Tuesday.

There is such a demand for horses to supply the armies of Europe that horse flesh ought to command a good price. We can see no reason why Americans should not sell horses to all corners.

We understand that the village has settled with the St. Mary's Engine Co. for most of the bill they had against the village, but there is another bill in dispute but may be settled without litigation.

Merchants and their clerks are all very busy now with Christmas preparations, and they expect that people who come in to the poultry show will visit their places of business to see what they can buy for a Christmas present.

The weather has been so unfavorable for the sale of furs, cloaks and other winter goods that Yocom, Marx & Co. decided to advertise a discount sale and the ENTERPRISE press has printed bills for it. The sale begins Saturday.

The snow that fell yesterday made mother earth look like winter if it did not send the cold shivers up one's back. If it will freeze up and then snow more we may have sleighing and an old time Christmas, at least so far as the weather is concerned.

Monday morning Thomas Thor carried on rural route No. 2 had a large number of parcel post packages, and some of them were so large that they took most all the space he had in his carriage. He will have to get a larger vehicle or walk.

The council acceded to the demands of our merchants and others for a continuous electric light service, and began Monday morning to try it out to see if they can afford to continue it. It comes in handy during the cloudy days, but it is now stated that there is not sufficient water to furnish power for a continuous electric light service and it costs too much to run the engine for that purpose.

The young men's club was organized a year ago Sunday and the annual election of officers was held as follows:

President—G. W. Kramer  
Vice President—Roy Blythe  
Secretary—Lorenzo Wurster  
Treasurer—Erland Widmeyer

Besides furnishing the place at an expense of about \$200 the club has paid for a new pool table, has toilet and wash room, telephone, etc., and is practically out of debt. Next Sunday the officers will be installed and a "feed" provided.

As this is the time for renewing subscriptions to papers and magazines, the ENTERPRISE would call the special attention of its readers to the fact that there is no combination or clubbing arrangement that we do not participate in and we shall be pleased to have your orders. On the 8th page will be found very low prices offered by the Detroit Free Press and other popular journals all of which are in line with the combinations offered by this paper. If there is any other Detroit, Chicago or New York paper you want, let us quote price.

In an item in the Grass Lake News one speaks of having a clock 100 years old, another one over 150 years old, still another has one brought from Scotland that is 400 years old and they claim has been in one family all that time. This reminds us of a supposed very old clock a former jeweler here had in his possession. It was an antiquated looking affair and he said that it was very ancient and he held it at a big price because of it. The ENTERPRISE editor was somewhat inquisitive and upon opening the door to examine the works discovered a label pasted inside and on reading it found that the clock was made in Connecticut in 1846. We advised him to send the table and after that the aged clock was put out of sight.

The star chapter will have a special meeting next Monday night.

The officers of Meridian Chapter will be installed next Wednesday evening.

Rabbit pot pies and rabbit a la fried chicken appear to be very popular now.

Adrianon Council R. & S. M. will have a special assembly next Tuesday evening.

A state animal inspector has been here this week examining stock brought in for shipment, but no disease has been discovered.

Mr. Johnson of the candy kitchen was over to Oberlin one day last week and rented a building in which to start a candy kitchen.

Postmaster Schmid informs us that he will keep the office open until 8 o'clock p.m. until Christmas for the accommodation of those who wish to send or receive packages, etc.

Apple Growers Troubles Increase.

Professor S. J. Pettit, of the Agricultural college, declared that the red bug, a new fruit pest, was discovered in Michigan this summer on a farm near Lansing. He said apples are made knotty and uneven where this new insect is found.

As a remedy he recommended a nicotine spray while the pest is still in the bag form without wings and he suggested that warm solutions be used.

Closing Year With Auctions.

William and Peter Oash will have an auction Saturday afternoon at the Service place in the western part of the village to dispose of their horses, wagons, farm tools, some hay and cornstalks, etc., Frank Merithew, auctioneer.

We have printed bills for L. W. Larzelere who lives on the turnpike, five miles south of town and four miles west of Clinton, who will have an auction next Tuesday, Dec. 15th at 1 o'clock when Charles M. Cooley, auctioneer will sell his stock consisting of bay and grey mares, two colts, a thoroughbred Holstein bull, Durham and Jersey cows, one new milch, sheats, hens and pullets, corn harvester, grain blower, loader and side delivery rake, corn planter, plows, drill, manure spreader, corn shellers, harnesses, etc. Next Tuesday.

Surprised by Friends on Birthday

A most enjoyable occasion was the surprise party planned by Mr. Parr for his wife on her birthday, Dec. 8 and participated in by 60 of their friends and neighbors.

At five o'clock those attending from the village gathered at Yocom, Marx's store, and soon twelve autos were speeding on their way filled with guests who were bent on surprising the good lady and having a royal good time. And they had it! Mrs. Parr was taken completely unaware, but quickly recovered herself and graciously welcomed her guests, who came with mysterious but inviting looking baskets. An oyster supper was served and the evening spent in a very jolly manner.

Miss Mable Grimstone and Frank Merithew gave several piano and violin duets, and soon a large number gathered around the piano singing the old time songs. As the guests departed they wished the hostess many happy returns of the day, feeling that these social gatherings spent in cultivating friendships are indeed worth while.

Musical Entertainment at Norwell.

The Negro Jubilee Singers, the same

who were here four years ago, will be at the Baptist church in Norwell, Saturday evening. Adults 15, children 10 cents.

ED. ARMSTRONG, Treasurer of Bridgewater.

## Don't Knock Prosperity

FROM ALL SIDES Prosperity is coming to the United States. We are promised the most prosperous times the coming two years in the history of our union. If such is the case President Wilson will be re-elected.

Every paper tells us of manufacturers whose orders (from Europe) will keep them busy many months. We would not be surprised to learn our stoneboat factory had received an order for 10,000 stoneboats for the European warships to move the wounded and dead. We are anticipating an order for no less than 5,000 suits to clothe the children whose fathers are at war.

Whether or not we get this order we are going to give our customers the benefit of quantity prices by giving you

**20 Per Cent Off**  
on all Boys' and Young Men's Suits  
Saturday, Dec. 12th

**SPECIAL** Boys' Knee Pant Suits  
all wool fancy serge \$3.48  
Visit Boys' County Corn Contest and Poultry Show  
Huber's Garage Dec. 17-23

**Wuerthner Bros.**  
The Store That Makes Good.

## Manchester Welcomes You!

And Extends the Glad Hand to All Visitors. Eat With Us, Trade With Us.

### BRIDGEWATER

Mr. & Mrs. Frank Lowery went to Jackson on business Monday.

Edward Days has bought the Kirch green farm and will take possession next March. Henry Brase has worked the farm for several years.

The orchard on Arthur Lowery's farm is one of the oldest in the township and the trees were injured by scale, so Mr. Lowery has cut down a large number of them.

### NORTH SHARON.

Miss Nina Biggs of Jackson visited over Sunday with Miss Inez Alber.

Mr. & Mrs. B. A. O'Neil spent part of last with relatives in Adrian.

Mr. Frank Ellis is spending a few days in Ann Arbor at the home of her parents, Mr. & Mrs. E. C. Rhoads.

### SHARON

More of our farmers will try their luck raising beans next year.

Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Merker of Chelsea have moved onto the Barney McNamara farm and will work there the coming year.

Among Jackson shoppers Saturday were Mrs. L. Roberts and daughter, Miss Lucile Austin, Mrs. John Yeider and Miss Violetta Austin.

Walter Curtis and Miss Grace Pittman were quietly married at the home of the bride's parents last Wednesday evening. Many friends extend congratulations.

The annual election of officers for the C. E. society was held last Sunday as follows:

### NORVELL

Carl Krantz was a Jackson passenger Saturday.

Chas. Griffith made a business trip to Jackson Monday.

Mrs. Eva Green was in Manchester on business Thursday.

Mrs. Winfield of Adrian called on friends Wednesday last.

N. Beals of the M. A. C. spent Sunday with Miss Nellie Baby.

Chas. Anderson of Byron spent Sunday with Mr. & Mrs. A. Taggart.

Wm. Spokes returned Wednesday from an extended visit with relatives in Eickell, Ind.

The ladies' aid society will meet at the home of Mrs. Josephine Beckwith, Friday afternoon at 2:30 for an important business meeting.

Mrs. Clyde Beckwith returned Monday after visiting Mrs. F. E. Welch in Grand Rapids since Wednesday last.

W. T. Naldrett returned from a business trip through New York state Friday, and Monday left for his family near Ithaca.

### FREEDOM.

Jacob Armbruster is reported very sick with complication of disease.

Mrs. Fred Eisemann visited her daughter Mrs. Roy Feldkamp in Adrian over Sunday.

Following are the names of the pupils of district No. 3 who have not been absent nor tardy for the month of November, Lucie Reno, teacher: Lester Wagoner, Amanda and Clara Esch, Helene Lutz, Evelyn Koebbe, Laura Feldkamp, Margaret Leonard, Albert Hieber, Joseph and Marie Feldkamp. Those who have been perfect in attendance for the fall term are Lester Wagoner, Amanda and Clara Esch, Laura Feldkamp, Margaret Leonard, Albert Hieber, Helene Lutz and Evelyn Koebbe.

The Colored Jubilee Trio of Georgia will give a sacred concert in the Methodist church on Sunday evening. Mr. Pryor, leader of the company will speak on the work of the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education by the Methodist Episcopal church. This Sunday evening the concert company will give an extended concert in the Methodist church.

The Young People's society of St. John's church, Freedom, will hold a carpet bag social Wednesday, Dec. 16 in Fred Steinaway's house, known as the Washenaw Garden O'se's house. The ladies we ask to bring five yards of carpet bags with their name inside. Everybody invited.

The Young Ladies' Society of Emanuel's church will have a Fair and Home Baking Sale at Burttles & Schaefer's vacant store, Saturday, Dec. 12 Afternoon and evening. Everybody invited.

President—Alice Harper  
Vice President—Howard Shorney  
Secretary & Treasurer—Elma Holmes  
Chorister—Mrs. Blanche Holmes  
Organist—Zora Pratt  
Chairman of committees are:

Lookout—David Houck  
Social—Zora Pratt  
Missionary—Mrs. J. D. Shorney

### IRON CREEK

The Central Part of Manchester Township

Howard Skeene of Adrian called on friends here Tuesday.

Everett Mattison was an over Sunday visitor at Jackson.

George Sutton and family were in Jackson Tuesday on business.

Mr. & Mrs. Bert Kanouse entertained company from Adrian last week.

Wm. Johnson has been under the doctor's care this week but is somewhat better.

The annual business meeting of the church will be held Saturday evening, Dec. 12.

Granit Sotich and family attended a birthday party for Mrs. Wiser in Brooklyn last Friday.

Last Saturday about 45 neighbors and friends gave Mary Ann Sawyer a surprise, it being her 64th birthday. She was presented with a nice rocker and a pair of bed blankets. A lovely dinner was served by Mrs. John Loucks.

Ford Automobile Owners.

\$25.00 to \$40.00 will make your old car good as new, except tire. New parts at Ford's list price. Reconditioned by expert mechanics at 50 cents per hour. Cushions and tops repaired. Cars painted any color. Drive in your car and we will make you a price on what you want done. Second hand Ford Cars bought and sold.

GEO. BRADY & SONS CO.,  
416 W. Morrell St., Jackson, Michigan.

### Notice.

I will take tax at the Bridgewater town hall every Friday in December except Christmas, then will be there Saturday. Will be in Clinton January 2nd and 5th, at Smith & Richmond's bank, and at Bridgewater Station, Jan. 4th.

ED. ARMSTRONG, Treasurer of Bridgewater.

### JACKSON CITY CREAMERY.

SHARON TAX NOTICE.

I will be at Town Hall every Friday during Dec. except Christmas when I will be there Saturday. At Union Savings bank, Manchester, Jan. 2 to receive tax.

FRED B. KUHL, Treasurer of Sharon.

We have not discontinued taking in cream. We buy for Tecumseh Butter Co., and pay 8¢ a pound. Bring your cream every Thursday.

GIESKE BROS.

WE HAVE DISCONTINUED TAKING IN CREAM.

WE BUY FOR TECUMSEH BUTTER CO.

WE PAY 8¢ A POUND.

WE ARE OPENING ON DECEMBER 1ST.

# The Call of the Cumberlands

By Charles Neville Buck

With Illustrations  
from Photographs of Scenes  
in the Play

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SYNOPSIS.

On Misery creek, at the foot of a rock from which he has fallen, Sally Miller finds George Lescott, a landscape painter, who has come to the Cumberlands to paint for assistance Samson South and Sally, taking Lescott to Samson's home, are met by Spicer South, head of the family. Purvy has been shot and that Samson is suspected of the crime. Samson denies it. The shooting of Jesus Purvy brings him to trial in the village. Samson, for telling Sally that Jim Hellman is on the trail with bloodhounds hunting the fugitives, loses the trial and Spicer South's door. Lescott discovers artistic ability in Samson.

CHAPTER V—Continued.

The two men had lost an hour huddled under a canopy beneath the cannonading of a sudden storm. They had silently watched titanic battalions of thunder clouds riding the skies in gusty puffs of gale and raking the earth with lightning and hail and water.

"My God!" exclaimed the mountain boy abruptly. "I'd give anything if I could paint that."

Lescott rose smilingly from his seat before the easel and surrendered his palette and sheet of brushes.

"Try it," he invited.

For a moment Samson stood hesitating and overcome with diffidence; then, with set lips, he took his place and experimentally fitted his fingers about the brush, as he had seen Lescott do. He asked no advice. He merely gazed for a while, and then, dipping a brush and experimenting for his color, went to sweeping in his primary tones. Samson, even though he was hopelessly dabbing, knew it was sincere, and the painter at his elbow caught his breath and looked on with the absorption of a prophet, who, listening to childish prattle, yet recognizes the gift of prophecy.

"That's the way hit looks ter me," the boy said, simply.

"That's the way it is," commanded his critic.

For a while more Samson worked at the nearer hills, then he rose.

"I'm done," he said. "hain't-a-goin' to fool with them that trees an' things. I don't know nothing about that. I can't paint leaves an' twigs an' birds nests. What I like is mountings an' skies an' sea-like things."

Lescott looked at the dab before him. A less trained eye would have seen only the dab, just as a poor judge of horseflesh might see only awkward joints and long legs in a weanling colt, though it be bred in the purple.

"Samson," he said, earnestly, "that's all there is to art. It's the power to feel the poetry of color. The rest can be taught. The genius must work, of course—work, work, work, and still work, but the gift is the power of seeing true—and, by God, boy, you have it. You've got what many men have struggled a lifetime for, and failed. I'd like to have you study with me. I'd like to be your discoverer. Look here."

The painter sat down, and speedily went to work. He painted out nothing. He simply toned, and with precisely the right touch here and there,



"You're a Truce-Bustin', Murdern' Bully."

softened the crudeness, laid stress on the contrast, melted the harshness, and when he rose, he had built, upon the rough cornerstone of Samson's laying, a picture.

"That proves it," he said. "I had only to finish. I didn't have much to undo. Boy, you're wasting yourself. Come with me, and let me make you. We all pretend there is no such thing, in these days, as sheer genius; but, deep down, we know that, unless there is, there can be no such thing as true art. There is genius and it's true art." Enthusiasm was again sweeping him into an un inhibited outburst.

The boy stood silent. Across his countenance swept a conflict of emotions. He looked away, as if taking counsel with the hills.

"It's what I'm a-havin' fer," he admitted at last. "Hit's what I'd give half my life fer. . . . I mout sell my land, an' raise the money. . . . I reckon hit would take passels of money, wouldn't hit?" He paused, and his eyes fell on the rifle leaning against the tree. His lips tightened in sudden remembrance. He went over and picked up the gun, and, as he did so, he shook his head.

"No," he stolidly declared; "every man to his own tools. This here's mine."

Yet, when they were again out sketching, the temptation to play with

brushes once more seized him, and he took his place before the easel. Neither he nor Lescott noticed a man who crept down through the timber, and for a time watched them. The man's face wore a surly, contemptuous grin, and shortly it withdrew.

But, an hour later, while the boy was still working industriously and the artist was lying on his back, with a pipe between his teeth, and his half-closed eyes gazing up contentedly through the green of overhead branches, their peace was broken by a guffaw of derisive laughter. They looked up, to find at their backs a semi-circle of scoffing humanity. Lescott's impulse was to laugh, for only the comedy of the situation at the moment struck him. A stage director, setting a comedy scene with that most ancient of jests, the gawking of boobies at some new sight, could hardly have improved on this tableau. At the front stood Tamarack Spicer, the returned wanderer. His lean wrist was stretched out of a ragged sleeve all too short, and his tattered "jimmy" was shoved back over a face all a-grin. His eyes were blood-shot with recent drinking, but his manner was in exaggerated and cumbersome imitation of a rural master of ceremonies. At his back were the raw-boned men and women and children of the hills, to the number of a dozen.

"Ladies and gentle-men," announced Tamarack Spicer, in a hiccupping voice, "swing yo' partners an' sashay forward. See the only son of the late Henry South engaged in his marvellous an' heretofore undiscovered occupation of doin' fancy work. Ladies and gentle-men, after this here show is concluded, keep your seats for the concert in the main tent. This here famous performer will favor yo' with a little exhibition of plain an' fancy sock-darmin'."

After the first surprise, Samson had turned his back on the group. He was mixing paint at the time and he proceeded to experiment with a fleeting cloud effect, which would not outlast the moment. He finished that, and, reaching for the palette-knife, scraped his fingers and wiped them on his trousers' legs. Then, he deliberately

Without a word he turned. Tamarack had begun his harangue afresh. The boy tossed back the long lock from his forehead, and then, with an unexpectedly swift movement, crouched and leaped. His right fist shot forward to Tamarack Spicer's chattering lips, and they abruptly ceased to chatter as the teeth were driven into their flesh. Spicer's head snapped back, and he staggered against the onlookers, where he stood rocking on his unsteady legs. His hand swept instinctively to the shirt-concealed holster, but, before it had connected, both of Samson's fists were playing a terrific tattoo on his face. The inglorious master of the show dropped, and lay groggily trying to rise.

The laughter died as suddenly as Tamarack's speech. Samson stepped back again, and searched the faces of the group for any lingering sign of mirth or criticism. There was none. Every countenance was sober and expressionless, but the boy felt a weight of unuttered disapproval, and he glared defiance. One of the older onlookers spoke up reproachfully.

"Samson, ye hadn't hardly ought ter a-done that. He was jest a funnin' with ye."

"Git him up on his feet. I've got somethin' ter say ter him." The boy's voice was dangerously quiet. It was his first word. They lifted the fallen cousin, whose entertainment had gone astray, and led him forward grumbling, threatening and sputtering, but evincing no immediate desire to renew hostilities.

"Whar hev ye been?" demanded Samson.

"That's my business," came the familiar mountain phrase.

"Why wasn't yer hyar when them dawgs come by? Why was ye the only South that runned away, when they was smillin' round fer Jesse Purvy's assassin?"

"I didn't run away." Tamarack's blood-shot eyes flared wickedly. "I knowed that ef I stayed 'round hyar with them damned Hollmans stickin' their noses inter our business, I'd hurt somebody. So, I went over inter the next county fer a spell. You fellers mout be able to take things often the Hollmans, but I hain't."

"That's a damned lie," said Samson, quietly. "Ye runned away, an' ye runned in the water so them dawgs couldn't trail ye—ye done hit because ye shot them shots at Jesse Purvy from the laurel—because ye're a truce-bustin', murderin' bully that shoots off his face, an' is skeered to fight." Samson paused for breath, and went on with regained calmness.

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**VITAL FORCE**

Disease germs are on every hand. They are in the very air we breathe. A system "run down" is a prey for them. One must have vital force to withstand them. Vital force depends on digestion—on whether or not food nourishes—on the quality of blood coursing through the body.

**DR. PIERCE'S****Golden Medical Discovery**

Strengthens the weak stomach. Gives good digestion. Enlivens the sluggish liver. Fluids that starved are gone. Again full health and strength return. A general upbuilding enables the heart to pump like an engine running in oil. The vital force is once more established to full power. Year in and year out for over forty years this great health-restoring remedy has been spreading throughout the entire world—because of its ability to make the sick well and the weak strong. Don't despair of "healing your old self again." Give this vegetable remedy a trial—Today—Now. You will soon feel "like new again." Sold in liquid or tablet form by Druggists or trial box for 50¢ by mail. Write Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N.Y.

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**Your System Demands**

An occasional corrective to insure good health and strength. Success is almost impossible for the weak and ailing. Enjoyment is not for the sick. Impaired health and serious sicknesses usually begin in deranged conditions of the stomach, liver, kidneys or bowels.

**Beecham's Pills**

are recognized all over the world to be the best corrective of troubles of the digestive organs. They tone the stomach, stimulate the liver, regulate the bowels. They cleanse the system, purify the blood and act in the best and safest way.

**For Health and Strength**

Longest Sale of Any Medicine in the World. Sold everywhere. In boxes, 10s., 25s.

**DODGING THE BEATEN PATH**

Good Story as it is Related. Though it Doesn't Often Happen in Real Life.

Congressman Robert L. Doughterty of North Carolina smiled when the conversation turned to reversing the order of things. He said he was reminded of the case of Bowers.

Bowers met a benevolent party on a railroad train one day, and as the acquaintance ripened a bit he began to spread before the other the history of his life.

"When I was a clerk in a grocery store," remarked Bowers, among other things, "I received only nine dollars a week, and, like many other young men, I fell in with bad company and began to gamble, I—"

"I see," interrupted the benevolent party, sadly, "you were tempted and took money which did not belong to you."

"Oh, no," cheerfully responded Bowers. "In less than a month I won enough money to buy the grocery."

Son Doubts Dad's Marksmanship.

Dr. Dan W. Layman, who has a muskellunge catching record, and who is proud of his ability in the hunting field, tells a good story on himself. Mrs. Layman had just completed reading an article in the News on the foot-and-mouth cattle disease and the possibility of rabbits being infected with the malady, when the doctor said to her:

"Mother, I believe I will go hunting the rest of the week."

"I don't believe I would go if I were you. I am afraid the rabbits are all sick," replied Mrs. Layman.

Then seven-year-old Dan, Jr., spoke up. "Let father go, mother," he said. "Maybe he could hit a rabbit if they are all sick."

Take it or Leave it.

Traveler (in Southern hotel)—Can I get anything to eat here?

Sambo—Yes, sah.

Traveler—Such as what?

Sambo—Such as it is, sah.

And some folks use it toward money and fame.

Are you eating right for health?

**Grape-Nuts****FOOD**

is delicious with cream; easy to digest—in fact, partially pre-digested; and perfect in nourishment.

It contains all the nutrition of wheat and barley, including the vital mineral salts (phosphate of potash, etc.) in just the right proportion as grown in the grain.

A regular ration of Grape-Nuts in place of rich, greasy, indigestible food generally shows a definite gain.

Doubt it? Have a try!

**"There's a Reason" for Grape-Nuts**

sold by Grocers everywhere

**COOLEY IS MADE GOAT****Joe Cantillon Puts Over Joke on Ancient Enemy.**

**Umpire Coaxed Boston Player to Tear Around Bases at Breakneck Speed After Bill Lange Had Made Wonderful Catch.**

Dick Cooley, former manager of the Louisville Colonels, has little sympathy for umpire batters, although when Dick was in the big leagues he had quite a reputation as one of the worst to the umpires met on the diamond.

But Dick excused his fault in this respect on the ground that the umpires of those days were much more tantalizing than the arbiters of the present.

No more bitter feud existed in the big leagues than that between Umpire Joe Cantillon, now manager of the Ancient Order of Millers, and Dick Cooley. For years they never spoke civilly to each other. Dick tells the story of the final break between Cantillon and himself.

"Cantillon was a good umpire," said Dick, "but for some reason we were always at odds. Joe didn't like me and I had no use for him. However, we got along passably fair until one day in Chicago, when Cantillon played the meanest trick on me that I have ever known an umpire to be guilty of. I suppose the laugh is on me, but at any rate, I never got over it, and Cantillon and I have never spoken since."

"I was playing with Boston against Anson's Chicago team. Bill Lange, one of the greatest outfielders who ever lived, was playing center for Anson. I was at bat, and caught one squarely on the end and drove the ball on a line to deep center. As I was rounding first, I saw the ball going over Lange's head. I figured it was good for the circuit, so I tore around as hard as I could.

"As I was nearing third I heard Cantillon yell: 'Touch third, or I'll call you out.' I touched the sack and tore for home. When I was getting near the plate I saw Cantillon running apparently to make a close decision at the plate. As he came up he yelled 'Slide!' I slid. Then Cantillon bawled: 'You're out!'

"I jumped up and shouted: 'What! Where's the ball?'

"Bill Lange caught it," said the ump.

"I then found out that while I was running with my head down, confident that I could get around safely, Bill Lange made a wonderful running, jumping, one-hand catch of the ball, away back against the fence, in deep center, and that Cantillon kept me going merely to make a monkey out of me."

"After that we never spoke."

**HANDLE ON A BOWLING BALL**

Makes it More Convenient to Manipulate Wooden Sphere—Desirable Feature in Rolling.

The handle on the bowling sphere which has been recently patented is designed for the purpose of facilitating the transportation of the ball from one point to another. Professional players, and even amateurs, who are care-

ful about their playing and jealous of their reputations will not play with any but their own ball, and when engaging in contests it is necessary to carry this from place to place.

The handle shown herewith is spring-controlled and sinks into a boring-through-the-center-of-the-ball, and when desired it may be removed entirely so that the recess affords a place to grasp the ball with the fingers. The device not only affords a means of carrying the ball in a convenient and comfortable manner, but it is also said to be a desirable feature in the rolling of the ball, permitting certain manipulations of the sphere that are not otherwise possible. As soon as it leaves the hand the handle is instantly withdrawn and offers no obstruction to the passage of the ball as it moves along the alley.

**Coaching for Prizes.**

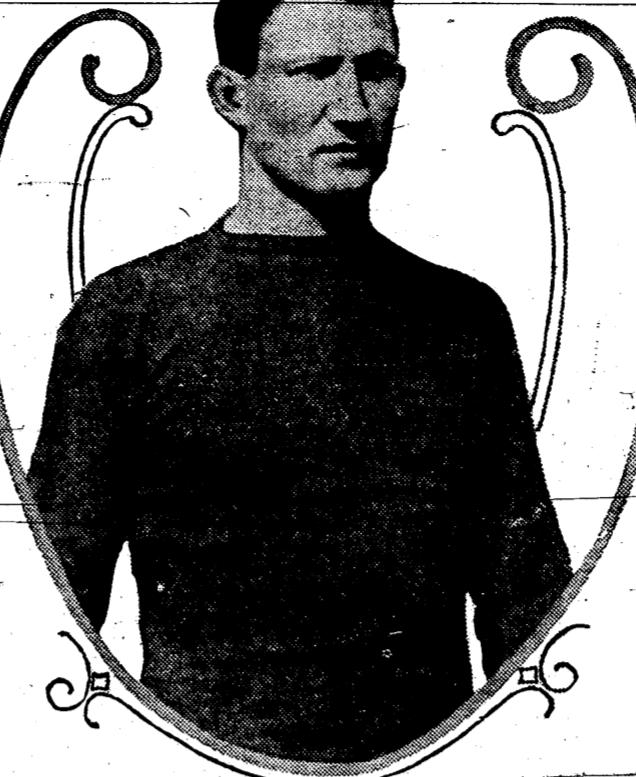
Several colleges rejoice in coaching prizes, but so far no one institution can boast of Connie Mack as baseball coach; Percy Haughton, football coach; Charles Courtney, running coach; Jim Moakley, track coach; Georges Carpenter, boxing coach; Frank Gotch, wrestling coach; Willie Hoppe, billiard instructor; Francis Quinet, golf coach; Maurice E. McLoughlin, tennis coach; Lake Kahamoku, swimming coach; Joe Fogarty, basket-ball coach, and Doctor Lasker, chess coach.

**Klem Holds Putout Record.**

"Bill" Klem holds the record for putouts. He made 25 in a game, in fact in one inning, between the Giants and the Boston Braves in New York, during the past season. Some one on the Giants' bench yelled "catfish" at Klem. Not knowing which of the 25 rookies and regulars had applied the hated name to him, Klem took no chances. He ordered the entire gang of the field.

**Duluth's Great Battle.**

Duluth and Winnipeg put up a great battle for the Northern league pennant. The Duluth team finally clinching the bunting the day before the close of the season.

**MOST REMARKABLE COACH IN FOOTBALL****Eddie Plank.**

Robert C. Folwell, Coach of Washington and Jefferson College.

(By FRANK G. MENKE.)

Robert C. Folwell stands out today as the most remarkable coach in the history of football. He went to Washington and Jefferson college, where the enrollment is only 350, and built up a team in 1913 that scored 347 points, that won nine out of ten games and held the great Yale eleven to a scoreless tie in the tenth game. This year he is back with even a more wonderful team.

His 1914 team has ripped the hide off of the Yale eleven, the same Yale team that was heralded far and wide as the best Yale team in ten years. Not only that, but W. and J. tackled Harvard just a week before in Harvard's own football lot and played Harvard practically to a standstill.

"Hurry Up" Yost of Michigan, Percy Haughton of Harvard, Alonso Stagg of Chicago, Frank Hinkey of Yale, and Glen Warner of Carlisle are great coaches. They have accomplished wonderful things in their careers. But the accomplishments of each pale in insignificance in comparison with what Folwell, a former University of Pennsylvania player, has done.

Why shouldn't Yost, Stagg, Haughton and the others get together great football elevens? They have a student enrollment of from 4,000 to 6,000 to draw from each year. When they

send out a call for football candidates from 200 and 500 men who have had considerable football experience at prep and high schools answer the call. And they have a dozen former football stars to assist them in their coaching work.

And Folwell? How different is his situation. W. and J., although one of the oldest colleges west of the Alleghenies, is one of the smallest. Its student enrollment this year is about three hundred and forty. Last year it was about three hundred and twenty. Folwell last year and this year had to make his selection from among men who would not be given a second thought by the coaches of other elevens.

He had to make his selection from little men, from the kind of men that Yale, Harvard and Michigan would not have considered at all because of their lightness and their smallness.

Yet Folwell, handicapped by the lack of bulk and brawn, did not become discouraged. His men had brains they had courage and they were game to the core. No obstacle frightened them. And so Folwell picked out about twenty-five of the most likely looking candidates, welded them into a machine that, when all things are considered, is the most wonderful football machine ever put together.

**PACERS MAKE MANY RECORDS**

Performances of "Side-Wheelers" Leaves All Previous Years Forgotten—All World's Marks.

The season of 1914 goes down in history as the most wonderful one ever known so far as extreme speed of race track pacers is concerned. The way in which the "side-wheelers" have performed leaves all past years completely forgotten, and as a result the list of "World's Pacing Records" is worse shot to pieces than the forts about Liege.

Thirty-three records went by the board, a truly extraordinary showing. What is particularly gratifying about it is the fact that every one of these new world's marks was made in clean-cut, unequivocal fashion. There is nothing connected with a single one of them placing it in the questionable or doubtful class. All have been made under the full glare of publicity and hedged about with all the technical requirements necessary for absolute authenticity.

Of none of them is there the slightest quibble that the time officially announced was an iota faster than really made. Indeed, in some instances it is known that the horses, according to outside watches, went even faster than the time hung out and placed upon record.

Another pleasing feature lies in the fact that almost all the record breaking has been done by free-legged horses. The number of the new champions—wearing the hobbles—is small. Frank Bogash, Jr., is the most conspicuous horse requiring the "Indiana underwear." R. H. Brett is a "hobbler" and so are Billy M. and Doctor M., who have put up the new team race record, as well as the other team, Franklin Pierce and Buck Muscovite. But of the stars of the first magnitude, Directum I, William, Anna Bradford, Clara Mac, are all free-legged.

**Lynn Makes Change.**

Eugene B. Fraser, president of the Lynn club of the New England league, announces that the management of the club's affairs has been transferred from the Lynn Baseball and Amusement club to himself and Louis P. Pieper, manager of the Lawrence team of the same league. The price paid was not stated, but it is said that the club recently refused an offer of \$10,000 from Jesse Burkett of Worcester.

**Kelly Has the Nerve.**

Outfielder Joe Kelly of the Pittsburgh Pirates is not lacking in nerve, whatever he may have lacked in other departments. He bought a second-hand automobile of Hans Wagner and after Wagner spent a couple of hours showing him how to run it. Kelly started off to his home in Kansas in the machine, a matter of a thousand miles or so over muddy roads.

**Another Record Broken.**

Another accepted chance record that went by the board this year was that for an outfielder and was overtaken by none other than Mr. Speaker. Tristram of Hubbard City accepted 456 chances in center for the Red Sox, which beats by 22 the mark held by Jimmy Slagle of the Cubs since 1902.

**Duluth's Great Battle.**

Duluth and Winnipeg put up a great battle for the Northern league pennant. The Duluth team finally clinching the bunting the day before the close of the season.

On the night of December 10, Eddie Plank, the great pitcher of the Athletics, was called to the rescue. He had been

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## People of Manchester and All Readers of the Enterprise

Please note that this is the first week of our looked for

## Sale of Fire and Smoke-Damaged Merchandise

## When the Flames and Smoke Rolled Up the Elevator Shaft

On last Thanksgiving Evening our bright and happy Christmas prospects became suddenly darkened.

Everything seemed lost before repair—all the beautiful Holiday Furniture, the soft, Warm Blankets and the newest Winter Wear for women. Things that had long been longing for those few moments.

But firemen soon located the base of the flames down deep in the basement of our new 4-story annex and the danger was quickly over.

## After the Heavy Smoke Clouds Cleared Away

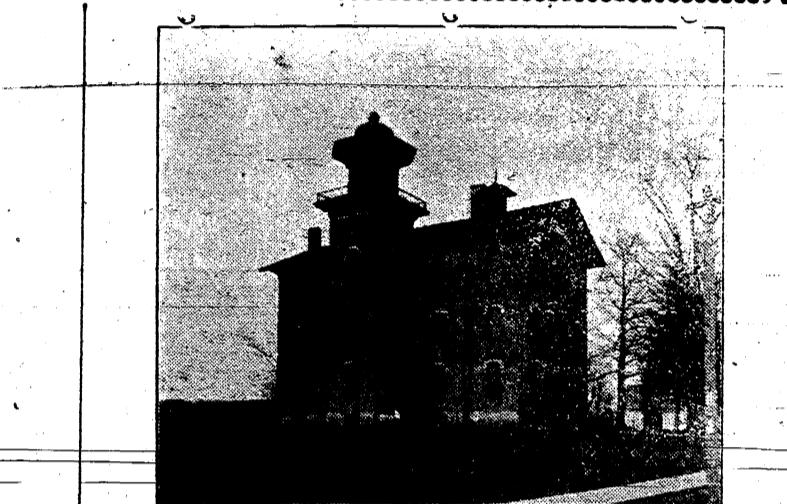
We found everything safe and sound except that a light veil of smoke had settled upon many of the fine upholstered pieces and all other goods exposed.

Many things have been found and polished like new; others are slightly damaged as to be barely noticeable—but all merchandise touched by the smoke is being cleared away—regardless of condition.

## Extraordinary Marked Down Prices

Bringing forward thousands of dollars worth of Christmas Goods at prices tremendously cut and slashed. Two floors—second and third—of Fine Furniture, Rugs, Draperies, Toys, Blankets. Undermuslins, Women's and Children's Ready-to-wear and Needlework Goods.

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## SCHOOL

## Real Estate Transfer

## Perfected by the W. W. W. Company

## 305 N. Fourth Avenue.

William W. Dorr and wife to Fred O. Lewis, receipt of land on section 11, town 14, section 11, December 21st beginning at corner of Dorr and Lewis.

to Henry T. Vesperding; parcels of land on section 25 and 26 to ownership of Lewis, consideration \$5000.00; to Frank D. Kern, J. C. Mateen and wife, George W. Sutton and wife, Louise C. Benjamin; F. Mateen, Neille E. Strangham, Albert A. Lowry and wife, William Kirk and wife, Albert A. Lowry and wife, separate parcels of land on section 11, ownership of Mateen, consideration \$1000.00 each.

The Alspaugh Signs had an interesting program Monday evening. The selections were well given. Arthur C. Cope was apolotted critic and gave a very favorable report at the close of the meeting. The place was filled by Gates who enjoyed. The next meeting will be held at Dec. 14, when a Christmas program will be given.

The fourth annual poultry show of the Manchester Poultry Association will be held in Huber's Garage, Dec. 17th to 20th. There will be a fine display of first-class poultry.

The flocks are going to bring in their exhibits of corn, potatoes, apples and onions. Valuable premiums are offered in this line. A box of oranges is given for the larger quail. There will be good and natural rivalry. Come and bring your exhibits. Join the crowd.

The entry fee for birds whose owners are members of the association is 15 cents. The entry fee for birds whose owners are not members is 25 cents. All entries of grain, vegetables and fruits are free.

Admission 10 cents. Children under eight years old who are accompanied by parents or others who will care for them, will be admitted free.

The Academy of Folly will have their meeting at the home of Mr. &amp; Mrs. E. O. L. L. on Thursday, Dec. 17 at 8:30 P.M. Price 10 cents.

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