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SOME ACTIVITY ON ALL FRONTS; GERMAN FLYERS RAID IN FRANCE

Germans and Austro-Hungarians Fail to Pierce Italian Lines—British Push on in Palestine—Air and Artillery Fights in Macedonia—The War Today

London, Dec. 17.—German raiding activity is increasing along the French front, and advices received today told of numerous patrol engagements between German and French troops.

The German attack in the Mount Cornillet sector of Campagne marks an outbreak of fighting in a district that has long been quiet.

The German artillery along the northern end of the western front is carrying out a violent bombardment of British positions at numerous points.

In Italy. Notwithstanding the terrible losses they have suffered the Germans and Austro-Hungarians in northern Italy continue their efforts to break through between the Piave and Brenta rivers.

South of Monte Caprille the Austro-German forces were able to win some ground, but at a terrible cost in blood.

In Palestine. Following the capture of Jerusalem the British have renewed their offensive in Palestine and further progress is expected.

In Macedonia. The British continue their preparations, but natural obstacles prevent any rapid progress. Artillery and artillery duelling are taking place on the Macedonian front. Along the eastern front complete quiet prevails.

RAILWAY LEGISLATION PUT OFF FOR AWHILE

President Hadley of Yale is Mentioned for U. S. Administrator

OTHERS MENTIONED

They Include Secretaries McAdoo and Lane, Taft, Hughes, Daniel Willard and Comptroller.

Washington, Dec. 17.—There will be no new railway legislation for many weeks to come, it at all. Disension in Congress will delay any proposed program, the White House said today. As a result it is expected that the President will postpone his proposed visit to the capitol to discuss the situation until after the Christmas holidays.

It is understood that the President's program, as now decided on, is as follows:

President's Program. To name a federal administrator of railroads to take over supreme charge of the operation of the nation's roads under the provisions of the act of 1916. This administrator would have power, under executive orders signed by the President, to operate the roads as a unit, divert freight as he pleased and to pool rolling stock and possibly revenues. The administrator, when named, would operate the roads through the medium of the operating committee of vice Presidents.

To allow financial legislation, which is not essential, wait until Congress had time to fully inform itself on the subject.

U. S. TO DEMOCRATIZE ITS PROMOTION SYSTEM

'Non-Coms' to be Sent to New Army Candidates' School ANYBODY CAN RISE

No Limit on Number of 2nd Lieutenants to be Created—Division Commanders Must Give Recommendation.

With the American Army in France, Dec. 17.—Apparently even the humble doughboy is coming into his own in this war. A promotion scheme has just been outlined at headquarters in conformity with a recent general order from Washington, which paves the way for rapid advancement for men from the ranks who display ability for higher commands.

Arrangements are already made whereby non-commissioned officers who look as if they are made of officers' timber will be sent to the army candidates' school on recommendation from their superior officer.

If they make good they will be assigned to vacancies as second lieutenants in replacement divisions, advancing later to combat divisions where promotion may be expected to come.

In order to be placed upon the list of lieutenants in replacement divisions, it being recommended that they have at least three times as many as combat divisions.

Under the new general order divisional and other unit commanders are to consider only "fighting efficiency units" in recommending temporary appointments for promotion to line officers.

The general order makes it plain that such recommendations may be based solely on demonstrated fitness and ability to command. Divisional and other unit commanders are instructed to investigate carefully all officers records.

All recommendations must be submitted to the commander in chief for approval.

15,000,000 SUBSCRIBERS TO MEET LOAN EXPECTED

Ten Billion Dollars to be Distributed, It's Estimated—Campaign Begins Latter Part of February—Selling Force Better Organized Than Ever.

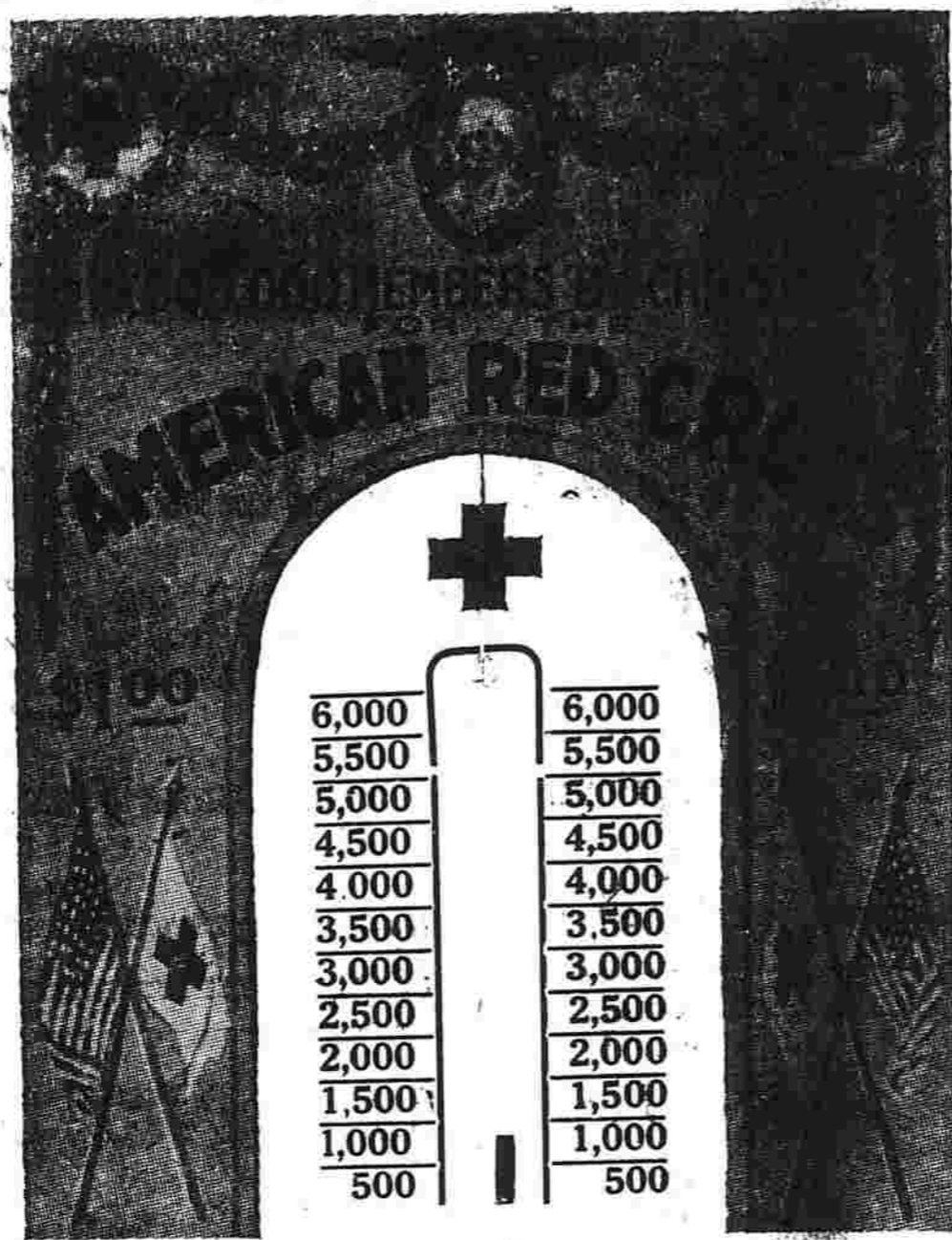
Washington, Dec. 17.—Ten billion dollars will be distributed to the next Liberty Loan by approximately 15,000,000 individual subscribers. This is the expectation of officials of the government in charge of preparation of the next campaign, which will begin probably the latter part of February.

It is based on the fact that since the closing of the last loan, the government officials have been steadily at work organizing a selling force for the next loan and today have in fact a better organization than any which ever existed during the pendency of either previous loan.

NEW YORK GETS COAL.

New York, Dec. 17.—The backbone of the coal famine that has gripped New York for several weeks was broken today with the arrival of 75,000 tons in New Jersey terminals. Twenty thousand tons, a day's supply for Greater New York, were received here yesterday.

The Barnard school will be open Wednesday afternoon from 5 to 6 and Wednesday evening from 7.30 to 8.30 for an exhibit of the children's fall work. All parents of the pupils are invited.



Your DOLLAR Will Help Move The Indicator!

BIG FIRST-DAY SCORE FOR RED CROSS DRIVE

Over 100 House-to-House and Mill Canvassers Reap

Rich Harvest

for the human brain to grasp the scope of the work undertaken by the Red Cross, not only in furnishing nurses and doctors for the sick and wounded, but in maintaining huge store-houses of supplies in Europe to be drawn upon by our surgeons and those of our allies caring for the civilian population of devastated districts, and caring for the troops in the encampments.

Tuesday's work was a big one for them. The canvassers have their quarters in the...

Progress of Twelve Teams Report

Fine Progress This Noon at Committee Headquarters.

"If there is a man in Manchester so small that his patriotism is not as big as a dollar bill, America is no place for him."—Rev. William J. McGurk.

Reports were made this noon at committee headquarters by the captains of the twelve teams who are canvassing for the Red Cross in its Christmas drive for 6,000 members, and excellent progress was indicated in each captain's report. The big membership drive has started very auspiciously and the captains and team members are confident of gratifying success.

Table with columns: Today's Results, Team No., Name, and Count. Total 1063.

Each Citizen's Duty.

As the canvassing progresses, the captains and canvassers report that they have no difficulty in pointing out to the citizens that the trifling sacrifice involved by paying \$1 for membership in the Red Cross is not to be mentioned in comparison with what we are asking of our young men who are at the front fighting for us. Nothing will mean so much to the soldiers, as the feeling that this country is solidly at their back at all times, and a Christmas membership increase of 10,000,000 members will be best evidence of this support. The canvassers are impressing upon Manchester citizens that it is up to them to do their just share of America's great humanitarian work through the Red Cross in the world war. It is a bigger service than was ever before attempted by any organization in the history of the world. It is almost impossible

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CALL "DAMNED PRO-GERMAN LIE" REPORT GERMANY IS AGGRESSOR

House To Vote On Prohibition Late Today--Already By Senate

Washington, Dec. 17.—The House is under agreement to vote on the prohibition amendment to the constitution today. Five o'clock this afternoon is the time set for the commencement of the roll call on the fateful question. And the future of the vote will register before adjournment tonight.

Scores of congressmen face the issue with trepidation. They know that whichever way they vote, they will satisfy only one element in their home constituencies whom they must meet during the Christmas holidays and on the hustings next year.

Already By Senate.

Radical prohibitionists of the type of Randall of California, who last week, claimed the adoption of the resolution with 40 votes to spare, were not willing to claim so much when the House convened this morning. Many members deferred to the very last disclosure of how they would vote. The resolution to amend the constitution so as to outlaw the liquor traffic must receive a two-thirds vote in order to pass the House. Having passed the House it must yet receive the sanction of three-fourths of the state legislatures before it becomes the organic law of the land. The states have seven years in which to act. The Senate has already adopted the resolution, except that it has allowed

House will today, through a sub-committee of the naval affairs committee, outline the scope of its naval investigation. This investigation will run through the holiday recess. Chairman Oliver of the sub-committee called his fellow investigators to meet this morning. They planned to settle the time for beginning their probe as well as the matters that may be aired in public session. The investigation promises to be thorough-going, and the public is to be let in on everything which will not betray naval secrets.

Bills Passed.

Congress will close up shop for the holidays tomorrow afternoon. The House already has voted to recess until January 3 and the Senate is expected to follow suit today. An unusual, perhaps unprecedented, record of accomplishments for the pre-Yuletide period has been made by both houses, despite the prevailing inquisition into the conduct of the war.

High spots in the record of achievement today include:

The declaration of war against Austria-Hungary.

Inauguration of sweeping investigation, without opposition, into various phases of the administration's conduct of the war.

Passage of the Webb Export bill, urged by the President.

Adoption by the Senate of a resolution suspending parts of the anti-

BENSON AND BLISS DENOUNCE STORIES

Germans on Defensive in France and Morale Lower Than Ever—French Front Undented—Teuton Reinforcements of Little Use Because of Continued Lack of Ammunition—New "Supreme Effort" Not in Sight

Washington, Dec. 17.—General optimism spread today through army and navy circles. The wave of apparent pessimism, manifested for a fortnight due to unsatisfactory cables from Italy, France and even Great Britain, has been dissipated. Admiral William S. Benson and General Tasker H. Bliss are using strong language in denouncing the various stories that the Germans had taken the offensive everywhere on the western front.

That report is a damned pro-German lie and a piece of shameless propaganda.

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FOURTEEN BRITISH SHIPS ARE SUNK

London, Dec. 17.—Fourteen ships, including one British destroyer, were sunk during a raid by German destroyers in British waters on last Wednesday, it was announced in the House of Commons today. Eight of the British ships were merchantmen and five were trawlers.

CLEMENCEAU TESTIFIES ON CAILLAUX CHARGES

Paris, Dec. 17.—Premier Clemenceau was to be the star witness today before the committee of eleven which is to report on the proposed expulsion of former Premier Joseph Caillaux from the chamber of deputies because of alleged pro-Germanism.

The "tiger," as the Premier is known, is waging a determined fight against Caillaux, but the ex-premier has a powerful following and his friends are busy denying that Caillaux has had any connection with "Bolshevism."

The report of the committee probably will be made late this week.

PERSIANS STARVING.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Hundreds of men, women and children already have starved to death and other hundreds are utterly without food at Teheran, Persia, according to a dispatch reaching the State department today from Ralph H. Bader, American vice consul there. He asks that steps be taken to send relief at once.

FIND TRICK TO GET DEVENS MEN TO BOSTON TO VOTE TOMORROW

War Department Has Given Permission for Men to Go to Enter Civil and Spanish War Veterans' Parade—Peters, Curley or Gallivan Picked to Win.

Boston, Dec. 17.—The most strenuous mayoralty campaign in Boston's history came to a close today with the disclosure of a political trick to get Boston's regiment of soldiers at Camp Devens to Boston tomorrow to vote. Whether the plan will be a success or not depends upon the officers at Camp Devens.

Late yesterday word was received at Camp Devens from the War department that there was no objection to the Boston regiment coming to this city tomorrow for the parade of Civil and Spanish-American war veterans.

Up to Division Commander.

This left the matter up to Brigadier General William Weigel, commander of the 76th division. Today it was discovered that the Civil and Spanish war veterans knew nothing of any parade to take place tomorrow. Commanding officers at Camp Devens were eager to find out who had asked the War department for the presence of the soldiers in Boston tomorrow and upon whose influence the soldiers were to be allowed to come to Boston to parade and also vote, after the department had made a strict ruling that soldiers were not to be allowed to go home to vote.

In the four cornered fight for the mayoralty the contest had narrowed down to one of these three candidates being elected:

The wind-up of the campaign was the most bitter in the history of Boston politics. The words "liar, grafter and trickster" were used with the greatest freedom. The result of the election should be known about 9 o'clock tomorrow night.

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GERMANS ON DEFENSIVE

It can be stated as a fact that all along the western front the Germans continue on the defensive, and their morale is far below what it was even six months ago.

The United States will redouble its efforts in men, material and ships almost immediately. This must come, the members of the recent mission said today. They have completely prepared detailed plans initiated today—less than 48 hours after the mission landed at an Atlantic port—and will bring some real surprise to the enemy before the spring campaign is well under way.

French Front Undented.

Although the Germans have been pouring troops from the east into the reserve lines behind the western trenches for more than a month now they have been unable even to dent the French front. And the loss of a good part of the gains made by General Byng's men in their famous drive, in which the American engineers suffered severely, was due to a failure of judgment on the part of a certain British commander. The German reinforcements, the army experts here today learned, have naturally increased German man power, but there has been no corresponding increase in materials, especially in artillery, which is so essentially vital if Hindenburg hopes to resume the general offensive. For months no artillery supplies have been sent to the eastern front. Fully one-fourth of the German shells are defective because of scarcity of certain essentials.

Germany's "Supreme Effort."

Germany's supreme effort, about which so much has been coming from neutral and even allied countries for the last month, will be very welcome to the allies, and especially the United States, the returned officers explained today. But they did not talk very hopefully of it taking place. They seemed to feel that it was entirely possible that the reports of this plan "were made in Germany" and intended for consideration in connection with a planned "Christmas peace fest."

"To Rhine and Beyond."

"To the Rhine and far beyond" is now the slogan of the American forces at the front and in training in France. Among soldiers of all ranks, it was explained today, there is no willingness to subscribe to the claim that German entrenchments

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SECOND ANNIVERSARY WEEK

TONIGHT HELEN HOLMES IN THE LOST EXPRESS

THE PHANTOM SECRET A FIVE ACT BIG THRILLER JOKER COMEDY NESTOR COMEDY SUGAR AS SOUVENIRS TONIGHT, TOMORROW AND WEDNESDAY NIGHTS.

Help make this a "Red Cross Christmas." Join the Red Cross today.

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SOUVENIRS FREE THIS WEEK

Sugar and Gold Distributed To Our Patrons SUGAR--MONDAY, TUES. AND WED. EVENINGS THURSDAY \$50, IN GOLD; FRIDAY \$50 IN GOLD

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EVERYTHING FOR XMAS GIFTS IN XMAS BOXES IN BOTH LADIES' AND MEN'S DEPARTMENTS.

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Balch & Brown Pharmacy

Agency for Eaton-Crane-Pike and the Whiting Stationery; Kodak Agency. "Serve at home if not in the trenches. Enroll in the Red Cross Army at once."

TWO OF FIVE BRIDGEPORT INJURED BADLY HURT

"Intent to Murder" Charge Threatens Proprietor Thomas of Negro Resort--123 Arrested.

Bridgeport, Dec. 17.—With two of the men shot in the raid on William "Baby Doll" Thomas' negro resort on Water street, early Sunday morning, in a serious condition at St. Vincent's Hospital, where five of the injured are being treated, County Coroner Phelan took a hand in the cleaning up of the affair this forenoon. The 123 white and negro men and women, who were herded into police headquarters, following the six hour siege on the place by the police, were taken into the police court this morning. Announcement was made that a recess of the court would be taken until afternoon to permit the Coroner to begin his investigation. All of the persons arrested, who were held on breach of the peace charges, were locked up

without bonds as Coroner's witnesses.

Charge Intent to Murder.

Thomas, the proprietor of the Keystone Club, one of the most reputable negro "joints," in the city for many months, will probably be held on a charge of intent to murder, following the shooting of Policeman McNamara, who was one of the 125 police who attempted to storm the place after Thomas and a score or more of the inmates had barred the doors and announced that they would not be taken alive.

The most seriously injured at the hospital are Morris Pannio, one of the big crowd of spectators, who surrounded the resort after the police had surrounded the place and the fusillade of shots was being exchanged by the police and the inmates led by Thomas, and William Greene, a negro, who was shot by the police while he was defying them with a revolver from a hiding place in the bar-room of the club. Pannio was wounded in the groin and Greene has a shot through the head, causing the loss of one eye.

CONSCRIPTION ISSUE IS UP IN CANADA

Chief of Bone of Difference in Elections Which Take Place Today—Women May Turn Tide.

Ottawa, Dec. 17.—Canada's general elections take place today. The votes of the women, it is conceded by all factions, will decide the day, and as the election goes the war future of Canada very largely will trend. Canada has just made the surprising discovery that its women, far from being political ciphers, are its most important political factors. Women, therefore, will carry on the war for Canada or they will spoil the splendid record established during the last three years by the Canadian troops in France.

The one great issue of the general election is conscription. Shall Canada proceed along the old, slow, wasteful and discriminating method of conscription, or shall she adopt the rapid, certain and democratic method of the selective draft as worked out in the United States? That is Canada's big problem just now, and women will have to decide it.

The Race Problem. It is well known that Canada's situation, women and all, is complicated by its age-old race problem, the struggle between the English and French population, which seems just as far removed from settlement as it was a century ago.

Slowly the French have spread from Quebec, into neighboring provinces, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward's Island and Ontario, until the city populations of these provinces are said to be at least 35 per cent French speaking and anti-English. One-half of the school population of Ottawa is in the separate, or parochial schools. Some of that population is Irish, but the bulk of it is French. This will give a fleeting glimpse of the spread of influence in the Dominion within recent years.

The French Canadians have been lukewarm toward the war. They have no feeling that France is their mother country, any more than the Kansas farmer feels that England is his ancestor. The French Canadian's loyalty is circumscribed. It extends very little beyond the boundaries of Quebec, which he would like to see a separate and independent commonwealth.

REPORTED AS KILLED.

Frank Kristoff, employed in the preparation room of the spinning mills, was reported this morning to have been killed by an automobile at Main and Oak streets. The report was started in the room where he worked and was spreading about the mills like wildfire. It so happened that Kristoff was absent from his work when the story started and Theodore Bidwell, the foreman of the room, put the man's brother, Paul Kristoff, on his job. A few minutes later, Mr. Bidwell heard the story about Frank's death and going over to where Paul was supposed to be working he found Frank on the job. The fellow who started the story, got a good "dressing down" from the boss.

BELLANS Absolutely Removes Indigestion. Druggists refund money if it fails. 25c

AMUSEMENTS

WHAT'S WHAT AND WHO'S WHO IN MANCHESTER MOVIE HOUSES

AT THE PARK.

Two years ago this week, John F. Sullivan started his shows at the Park theater and to celebrate the second anniversary of his success in the movie business here he has prepared extra shows for his anniversary week. He will celebrate further tonight, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. For the first three nights he will show "The Fatal Rings." There are three more episodes of this serial.

Tomorrow Cecil B. De Mille's gigantic cinema spectacle, "The Woman God Forgot," comes to the Circle for a two days' run. Geraldine Farrar, the popular celebrity of both the opera and the screen, is the star. Cecil B. De Mille, that talented exponent of modern photography and master creator of cinema triumphs, is the producer. Jeane McPherson, playwright, author of many film successes and one of the foremost writers for the screen is responsible for the story.

Never in her career has Miss Farrar been afforded a vehicle that discloses to better advantage her wonderful historic talents. That this is the greatest cinema characterization, not excepting "Joan," is generally conceded. Wallace Reid, who appeared opposite Farrar in "Joan," again portrays the leading support to the famous actress. One of the most powerful supporting casts ever assembled is evidenced in this production. The production is considered by critics to be the most beautiful and elaborate piece of screencraft ever released by a production company. "The Woman God Forgot" marks a distinct advance in the annals of the motion picture. Just as "Joan the Woman" was considered the triumph of the season at its release, so does this new De Mille spectacle disclose the latest achievements in the cinema art.

L. Dell, shoemaker, has moved his shop from Center street to Nelson's old stand just north Blissh Hdw. store. adv 6115

AT THE CIRCLE.

June Caprice will be seen at the Circle theater this evening in "Every Girl's Dream," a delightful story of Old Holland. A novel feature is introduced in this screen play in the way of a trick dog who give Miss Caprice a close run for first honors. This intelligent little animal goes through a number of extraordinary stunts that are both amazing and amusing. On the same program "The Fatal Rings" will be seen in the seventeenth episode of "The Fatal Rings." There are three more episodes of this serial.

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AT A COURT OF PROBATE HELD at Manchester, within and for the district of Manchester, on the 17th day of December, A. D. 1917. Present, OLIN R. WOOD, Esq., Judge. Estate of Patrick Horan, late of Manchester, in said district, deceased. On motion of Stephen Horan, executor.

ORDERED: that six months from the 15th day of December, A. D. 1917, and the same are limited and allowed for the creditors within which to bring in their claims against said estate, and the said executor is directed to give public notice to the creditors to bring in their claims within said time allowed by posting a copy of this order on the public sign post nearest to the place where the deceased last dwelt within said town and by publishing the same in some newspaper having a circulation in said probate district, within ten days from the date of this order, and return make to this court of the notice given. OLIN R. WOOD, Judge. H-12-17-17.

FUTURE EVENTS. PUBLIC WHIST—Ladies of Maccaees. Tuesday Evening, Dec. 18 at Spencer Hall. Admission, 20 cents.—Adv.

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A sled on which was a big oil tank, overturned at Station 38 on the Hartford line east of Burnside, this afternoon and traffic was delayed for over an hour until the tank was shifted from the tracks.

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- FOR SALE—10 acre, good road, good barn, good driveway, good house, good land, good crops, good price only \$1450. Robert J. Smith, Bank Bldg. 6620
- FOR SALE—Large center, large 12 room house, lights, attics, bath, etc. Lot about 90 feet front, price only \$4,000. It will pay to investigate this property. Robert J. Smith, Bank Bldg. 6621
- FOR SALE—Mixed wood, Stove length 112 cord, also slab wood, stove length, cord, etc. H. A. Skinner, land, Phone, Hfd. Div. Laurel 263-13. 6618
- FOR SALE—Seats for the celluloid extravaganza, "Aladdin and his Wonderful Lamp" at the Circle, Thursday and Friday. 6613
- FOR SALE—Twenty acres wood and timber land, four miles from Manchester. Price \$500. C. C. Prentice, 18 Haysium St., Hartford, Conn. 6612
- FOR SALE—Single horse cutter, price reasonable. Inquire Henry Black, 150 Spruce St. 6616
- FOR SALE—Two single houses on Porter street with barn, hennery and about 1 acre land. Price right. A. H. Skinner. 6614
- FOR SALE—Nearly new single house 3 minutes walk from Main St., with about 3-4 acre land, price \$4,200. A. H. Skinner. 6611
- FOR SALE—Fire Insurance with Hartford Companies, losses by fire between January 1 and December 1, 1917 in United States and Canada were \$241,200,349. A. H. Skinner. 6615
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- FOR RENT—Five rooms, new house, all improvements on Oak street. Inquire, 13 Park, 13 School St. 6413
- TO RENT—Two tenements five rooms each. American families preferred. Inquire 372 North Main St., or phone 6174. 6614
- FOR RENT—A 4 room flat with all conveniences, first floor, rent \$13 a month, on Clinton St. Inquire I. Symington, 27 Huntington St., Tel. 205-2. 6117
- TO RENT—Seven room single house, Inquire 45 Cottage street. 6717
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- WANTED—Sewing machines to repair. A sewing machine will make a nice Christmas present for wife or daughter. We have the well known Singer machines and will take your old machine in exchange. Hall, Modan & Co., 24 Birch St., Phone 630. 6413
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- WANTED—A driver and noorman. Inquire at Adams Express. 6117
- WANTED: You to know that we set, repair and sell window glass, any size cut to order. Putty, paint, etc. Manchester Wall Paper Co., 533 Main St. 6114
- WANTED: Old False Teeth. Don't matter if broken. I pay \$2 to \$15 per set. Send by parcel post and receive check by return mail. Maser, 725 So. Fifth St., Philadelphia, Pa. 46125
- LOST. LOST—Book No. 44,565 of the Savings Bank of Danbury, Conn. Finder please return to Herald branch office. 6117
- LOST—An excellent evening's entertainment, if you see "Aladdin and his Wonderful Lamp" at the Circle, Thursday and Friday. 6613
- LOST—On Spruce and Oak St. small crocheted hand bag valued as a keepsake. Finder return to Mrs. W. H. Parkin, 91 Spruce St. 6613
- FOUND. FOUND—A picture greater than "The Beanstalk." See "Aladdin and his Wonderful Lamp" at the Circle, Thursday and Friday. 6613
- FOUND—Watch charm, Elk's emblem, monogram on back. Owner can have same by proving property, and paying for this ad at Herald office. 6613
- FOUND—A black and white dog about three months old. Owner paying for this advertisement. Inquire Charles Sievert, 83 Ridge St. 6613
- MISCELLANEOUS. DO YOU KNOW THAT "Aladdin and his Wonderful Lamp" is coming to the Circle on Thursday and Friday. 6613
- RAG CARPETS AND RUGS WOVEN from disused carpets, also agent for Star Knitting Co. Thomas Sheard, 41 Flower St., So. Manchester, Conn. M.F.6124
- SKIRT MAKING: we will make a skirt to measure, from your materials for \$2. We furnish trimmings. Ladies' Shop, Main St., near Center. 5917
- ROLLER SKATING At the Armory Every Afternoon and Even 2:30 to 5 7:30 to 10
- About 200 were present at the opening dance of the season at the Recreation Club at the Recreation Center Saturday evening. This was the first of a series of socials which will be held through the winter months.

TO FIGHT FOR HIS COUNTRY.

One of the Red Cross canvassers, while out yesterday afternoon, found an Italian roping up a trunk and some boxes and asked the man if he were moving. "No," he replied, "I leave tomorrow to go and fight for Italy and the United States."

LEONARD TO BOX BROWN.

New Haven, Dec. 17.—Lightweight champion Benny Leonard will show his wares here tonight when he meets "Chick" Brown, the local title aspirant. The boys will box 10 rounds.

THE RED CROSS—EVENTUALLY—WHY NOT NOW.

THE CIRCLE

JUNE CAPRICE

Will be here this evening with her trained dog in—
EVERY GIRL'S DREAM

A delightful romance of old Holland
PEARL WHITE IN "THE FATAL RING"
No advance for this exceptional bill.

BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT WITH THE FAMOUS PLAYERS CO., THE MANAGEMENT OF THIS THEATER
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WE CONSIDER OURSELVES FORTUNATE IN BEING ABLE TO PRESENT THIS PICTURE. IT IS ONE OF THE ONLY REALLY GREAT PRODUCTIONS OF THE DAY.

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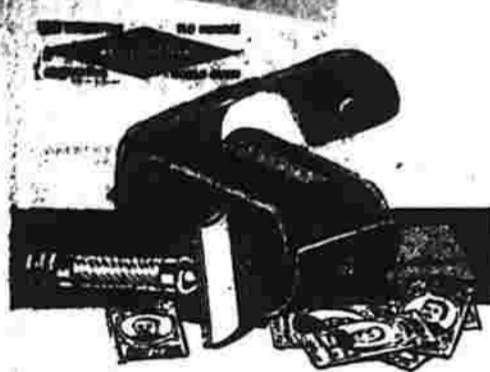
WE HAVE HIS CHRISTMAS GILLETTE

It's a man's gift—nothing could please him better. If he already has a Gillette give him one of the new models: The Aristocrat—in French Ivory—The Bulldog—with the stocky grip—A Traveling or Combination Set. We have a wide range for choice—\$5 up to \$50.

Percolators (Heavy Nickel and Aluminum), \$1.50 to \$3.25.
Mahogany Glass Bottom Serving Trays, \$4.00 to \$7.00.
Casseroles, \$1.25 to \$3.00.

SLEDS.

Genuine Flexible 30 in., \$1.00.
Genuine Flexible 32 in., \$1.25.
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Genuine Flexible 40 in., \$1.75.
Genuine Flexible 42 in., \$2.00.
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Clipper Sleds, \$1.00 and \$1.50.
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"Serve at home if not in the trenches. Enroll in the Red Cross Army at once."

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Wouldn't A Clock

You couldn't give anything that would bring the donor so often to mind, as a Clock is so often referred to. There's a place for it—den, dining room, parlor, bedroom. We have a very complete Clock line.

- Beautiful one and eight-day Mahogany Clocks \$2.75 to \$15.00
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- White Enameled Clocks to match sets \$2.75 to \$4.00
- Parlor Clocks \$4.00 to \$9.00
- Alarm Clocks \$1.25 to \$2.50

Be Just About Right

The Dewey-Richman Co.

Jewelers, Stationers and Opticians
845 MAIN STREET

Are you doing your part? Hand your name to a Red Cross canvasser today.

The meeting of the Ladies' Foreign Missionary Society in the Center Church parlors at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon will be addressed by Mrs.

S. H. Williams, of Glastonbury. She will speak on the recent Jubilee meeting of the Women's Board held in Boston.

BIG FIRST-DAY SCORE FOR RED CROSS DRIVE

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Gilman, Geo. Waddell, Lucius Foster, Herbert Robb, Herbert Ingham, Mark Holmes.

Team No. 12—Raymond Johnston, captain; Raymond Goslee, Charles Griffiths, Wm. Gorman, Max Bengs, Herbert McCormick.

Mill Teams.
Frank D. Cheney, captain of Mills Division, Louis St. Clair Burr, secretary.

Following are the captains at the various mills and factories:
American Writing Paper Co.—John T. Turner.

Orford Soap Co.—C. W. Holman.
C. R. Burr Co.—Miss E. M. Skinner.

Carlyle Johnson Machine Co.—Scott H. Simon, G. H. Williams.
A. Willard Case Co.—Lucius M. Foster.

Case & Marshall—Lucius M. Foster.

Ramsdell, Robert Hughes, Nellie Rock, Gertrude Hausculz, Frank M. Welcott, John Corlin, Giovanni Rossi, Jennie Risley, Wesley B. Robbins, Benjamin Waldner, Christine Engel, Caroline Benson.

ONLY 2,000,000 SHELLS OF 78,000,000 ORDERED DELIVERED, CROZIER

Guns of Certain Coast Forts Outraged by Battleships of Certain Nations

ORDNANCE DEPARTMENT IN FIFTEEN BUILDINGS

Washington, Dec. 17.—Battleships of certain nations today outrange the guns of certain of the fortifications of the United States. General Crozier, chief of ordnance, today so informed the Senate military affairs committee, which is investigating the conduct of the war.

General Crozier also admitted that "red tape" methods have so choked production of war essentials that only 2,000,000 of the 78,000,000 shells needed for the mobile artillery of the United States, and which was to be on hand July 1, next, have been delivered.

Explains Gun Ranges.
In explanation of the fact that big gun ships outrange American land fortifications General Crozier told the committee:

"When these coast forts were built we did not think it worth the expense to mount guns so that an elevation of more than 15 percent could be obtained. We did not think we could hit anything so far out at sea even if our guns would shoot that far.

"Since that time sighting and other details of gunnery have been so improved that a few of our coast defense guns are outranged a trifle by the guns on certain units of other navies."

Department Needs More Freedom.
General Crozier declared that the War department should have much wider latitude in spending money. The senators did not take kindly to this, intimating that it was another effort to evade responsibility. They declared that the department had failed to emphasize its most important wants.

Senator Wadsworth wanted to know whether creation of a "ministry of munitions," such as Great Britain has, would not be a beneficial move. General Crozier said he did not see that this would be any improvement. Many departments now in existence were new, he said, and "have had to be shaken down to a common basis."

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BENSON AND BLISS DENOUNCE STORIES

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are untakable. From General Pershing down the feeling is general that when the next real advance comes, whether it be next spring or a year from then, it will carry itself through all fortifications to a complete success.

It was learned from the returned officers today that Major General Hugh L. Scott, former chief of staff, is "President Wilson's eyes in France." He has headquarters there and is in complete and close touch with both the British and French high commands. He makes complete reports to the President, so that the latter is constantly kept in complete touch with every military development.

Whether the General eventually is to be named as a member of the Allied military council is something which is known only to the President. But in his present position he is taking a great deal of routine work off the shoulders of General Pershing and is making it possible

SNOW HINDERS COAL DISTRIBUTION IN N. Y.

Labor Not Available to Move 75,000 Tons from Jersey Waterfront Terminals.

New York, Dec. 17.—Just when the coal shortage problem seemed to have been solved, a fresh fall of snow here today placed a serious obstacle in the path of relief. The new blanket of snow is adding to the difficulties of securing and distributing what little coal is being brought in to the city.

The relief plan which the fuel administration authorities counted on to increase the 25,000-ton overnight supply by another 20,000 tons received a serious setback as a result of the change in weather conditions.

More than 75,000 tons of coal are at the water front terminals of New Jersey, but labor and barges cannot be obtained to move it with satisfactory dispatch.

\$60,000 FIRE IN WEST HOBOKEN.
Hoboken, N. J., Dec. 17.—Fire, which for a time threatened to wipe out an entire block in West Hoboken, was brought under control after several hours hard work by the fire departments of Hoboken, Union Hill and Jersey City today. The flames destroyed two apartment houses and drove 16 families into the frigid air in scanty attire. The loss is \$60,000.

SAMMIES CIGARETTES MADE IN BERLIN.
With the American Army in France, Dec. 17.—American soldiers were today smoking cigarettes made in Berlin and Sarajevo. The latter is the city which saw the assassination of the heir to the Austrian throne. The quartermaster's store of a certain organization needed cigarettes and applied to the French, who supplied them with German and Austrian smokes taken months ago when a train was captured.

Anniversary Sale!

Two years ago we began selling for cash only. Our only regret is that we did not begin before, not only for ourselves, but for our customers, who are highly pleased with the plan. In honor of this event we are going to give to the people of Manchester a week of exceptional value in high grade Groceries.

READ CAREFULLY BUY LIBERALLY

These prices will not be seen in Manchester again for a long time.
SO BRING YOUR BASKET, PAY CASH, AND CARRY

MONDAY, DEC. 17 TO SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22

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- Seeded Raisins 13c a Pkg.
- Toilet Paper 5c Roll, 7 for 25c
- 12 cent Bottle Vinegar 10c bottle
- Shredded Wheat Biscuit 13c Pkg.
- 6 cakes Lenox Soap 30c

If our stock of any of the above articles becomes exhausted we reserve the right to discontinue the sale of same.

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Jewelers, 70 Pratt Street, Hartford

GOTCH DEAD.

Humbolt, Iowa, Dec. 17.—Frank Gotch's two year fight to regain his health is over. The greatest heavy-weight wrestler of the age is dead of uraemic poisoning.

Funeral arrangements are under way, but have not been completed. Gotch retired from the mat game with the title still in his possession after a remarkable 10 year career. He accumulated a fortune from wrestling and was said to have owned

ed property valued at \$250,000. He owned four farms near Humbolt and also was a director and large stockholder in one of the largest banks here.

A widow and four sons did not survive him as well as an agent mother. Gotch was born at Humbolt on April 27, 1876.

This morning's mail contained many letters from our boys "somewhere in France."

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SELLING BY WEIGHT.

The movement to sell vegetables by weight gets a boost from the federal food administration in its rule that retailers who operate on a large scale must quote potatoes at pound rates. The tuber is sold by the hundredweight now and not by the bushel in most parts of the country, but evidently the new way hasn't ramified through Connecticut yet.

It goes without saying that all vegetables should be sold by weight, instead of by the haphazard method of quart, peck, bushel or what not. The weight method, generally speaking, is fairer to dealer as well as consumer, if the scales are correct. It would not be a bad idea, for that matter, to apply the weight basis to fruits, also.

Granted the same weight per cubic inch of fruits of two sizes, the waste of space, for which the consumer supposedly has to pay, in the case of the larger-sized fruit is greater than in that of the smaller-sized. The waste with grains is very small indeed. Most retailers, it is true, mean to do the square thing, and treat their customers well to hold their trade, but the weight rule like the law is instituted to save the buyer from the small percentage of unscrupulous dealers.

We quote from the Official Bulletin's statement on potatoes: "Some reports of the high cost of potatoes are possibly due to the change of price basis. Reports that potatoes are selling at \$2 and \$2.50 a bushel in certain markets are incorrect, and apparently arise from the fact that potatoes are quoted at wholesale in those markets at \$2.50 and \$3.00 a hundredweight instead of the usual bushel basis. These prices correspond to pound prices of 2 cents and 2 1-2 cents, respectively, and to bushel quotations of \$1.20 and \$1.50.

"Retail prices will usually be higher than such wholesale quotations, but the pound prices should not reach those that would result from using the bushel as the basis when the quotations are really on a hundred-weight."

MEN WITHOUT A COUNTRY.

Advertising aside, the Circle and Park theaters are providing their local patrons with some excellent movies. Many weeks ago the Circle showed a version of "Oliver Twist" that was as good an example of picture making as one could find in the larger cities. Now the Park is going to show "The Man without a Country," based on Edward Everett Hale's famous story.

The play reminds one what an unhappy time it is for anybody to be without a country. Ambassador Gerard tells of a German-American who reviled his country in Germany, criticized the President in public, and did his best in an anti-American propaganda. But when the real pinch came, and his citizenship seemed threatened, his penitence knew no bounds.

There are still many men in America who are literally men without countries. They have received the hatred of their "old countries" because they didn't return and enlist, and they are likewise not Americans because they remain here, but sympathize with their country's foes.

It is said that those who have never been abroad can't appreciate what the flag means. And Chesterton, the English essayist, tells Englishmen that the way to visit London is via the continent. One requires a different background with which to contrast one's own country to get the novelty and uniqueness of it.

If there is any man in Manchester who intends to live in America even for a few years only, who hasn't given America his full allegiance, in deed as well as word, he is a man without a country.

RED CROSS AS SANTA CLAUS.

Recruiting membership is not the only task that the American Red Cross is busy with just now. It is preparing to play Santa Claus to the soldiers in the Army posts and cantonments in America and abroad. Several weeks ago a chapter called went out that members meet an order for 1,750,000 Christmas packages. No money is to be appropriated out of the \$100,000,000 fund

raised recently for relief work among the military and civilian populations of America and allied nations. A special Christmas cheer fund is supposed to be collected by each chapter. But thousands of workers are making up their own presents, allowing a value of a dollar a package. That isn't all. Christmas trees will be erected at each cantonment, and chapters in communities near cantonments will provide entertainments, consisting of carols, moving pictures and so on.

The local chapter is probably doing its share in this work and ought to get all the public support it needs for the purpose. If the public volunteers readily enough in the membership campaign, if everybody who can stand the two dollar fee is "Johnny on the spot" where recruiting booths are located, the Manchester chapter will have more time for the Christmas packages.

THE SAFE WAY TO GIVE.

Appeals for money for war relief funds cumber the mall of everybody who is supposed to have cash to spare. They come from any number of different organizations. They all make the plea that the money is needed to relieve suffering. Those who want to help to the extent of their ability are perplexed. They want to be sure that their gifts reach the object without undue shrinkage in the collecting and disbursing of them and they do not know anything about these solicitors. Perhaps they may be all right; probably most of them are. But each organization has its set of officers, its headquarters and paid employees, its expensive stationery and its postage bills. There is one way when in doubt to avoid any mistake. That is to throw these appeals into the waste basket and give your money to the Red Cross or the Y. M. C. A. Those organizations are the government's officially designated channels of relief and we may feel sure that the money given to them will be used where it will do the most good and with the minimum shrinkage for expenses and waste.

THE BELGIUM OF THE SEAS.

That is what a popular weekly calls Norway. If there is any people except the Belgians, who have more reason to hate Germany than the Norse, we don't know which people it is. Norway's merchant marine has simply been ruined by the submarines. Her ship tonnage is only a small fraction of what it was. Her sailors have been fired upon while attempting to escape in life-boats, which would seem to be about the last limit of ruthlessness.

It was fear that moved the Scandinavian monarchs to decide on continued neutrality. If their peoples could have voted under a universal franchise on peace and war, the result would have surprised the rulers. Norway would have voted for war, certainly. In Sweden the result would be a "toss up." Denmark would vote for peace, but only through fear of invasion.

It is a heavy score that Germany is laying up against herself for generations to come. Public sentiment will have its effect on post-war trade, just as surely as it has had its influence on the taking up of arms. Trade follows public sentiment.

The war news for the past few days has not been encouraging, but it is quite possible that this may be the darkest time in the war's history. The United States has been making great preparations for entering the contest but the force of its arms has not yet been felt by the enemy. Meanwhile the fighting is being done by the worn and weary soldiers of the French, English and Italian armies. The impact of a million or so of fresh and well trained American troops should put a different complexion on the situation when once they are let loose.

One way to shorten life seems to be to make athletic skill of one kind or another one's life occupation. Frank Gotch, retired wrestler at Humboldt, Iowa, at the age of 41. The exceptional athlete is almost without exception short-lived. Moderation in this is a law of iron.

It will go hard with the man or woman whom The Evening Herald catches deliberately misinforming it, over the telephone or any other way. There are certain sorts of misinformation about as venomous as slanderous gossip. Only a coward will mask himself or herself behind anonymity to hurt a neighbor.

There would be fewer race riots, in Bridgeport or anywhere else, if a rigid segregation of blacks and whites were insisted upon. The munition city's three hour fight early Sunday morning hurts Connecticut as well as the city.

Employees of the postal service won't be summoned into the military service until after New Year's Day.

The Provost Marshal General has telegraphed Governors of all states to that effect. That gives the men at least two weeks more of freedom.

Great Britain and then the United States rushes to the aid of France—and themselves. But the French Canadians fight conscription. Prime Minister Borden and the Unionists expect to win today, however, without much difficulty.

With coal scarce and high and with kerosene oil plenty and cheap it seems strange that somebody has not invented an oil burner which could be used in the firepots of furnaces and steam and hot water heaters. The reservoir might be outside the house and the oil fed to the burner through pipes.

The verdict acquitting Gaston B. Means of the murder of Mrs. Maude A. King, whose financial condition he was, was at least reached in a reasonably short time.

If von Tirpitz, Grand Admiral of the Imperial German navy, admits that Great Britain has won so far, how do the German people estimate the odds?

GOVERNOR'S STATEMENT.

Urges All Connecticut People to Aid Red Cross Campaign.

Hartford, Dec. 17.—Governor Marcus H. Holcomb today issued the following signed statement urging the support of all Connecticut people for the Red Cross membership campaign:

"The American Red Cross now has 5,000,000 members, some of them in every state in the Union. Demands have so increased that it has become necessary to increase this membership to 15,000,000. Whether the war shall close in the near future or not the demands for Red Cross will continue for years to come. It is therefore imperative that the local auxiliaries, branches and chapters in every town and city in the state of Connecticut shall be re-energized.

"With our army of a million men at the front, doubtless to be increased to two or three million, we shall need these local organizations to do relief work for these men. Connecticut is asked to enroll 500,000. That is not a large number for our state and I confidently believe the total will greatly exceed this number.

"Fifteen million Red Cross members by Christmas eve will mean 15,000,000 men, women and children back of President Wilson and the army and navy. The campaign is to last one week, beginning December 17 and closing Christmas eve. Membership dues are \$1 a year. Let the American Red Cross be your national Santa Claus for the boys at the front."

Marcus H. Holcomb,
Governor.

THE OPEN FORUM.

Best Attended Meeting Yet at the Center Church Parish House.

The Open Forum meeting yesterday afternoon at the parish house of the Center Congregational church was the best attended of any meeting yet held under the auspices of the Manchester Single Tax Club. The hall was comfortably filled when Frederick E. Duffy, the speaker of the afternoon, was introduced by John Cairns. It was noted that there was a sprinkling of women in the audience and this gave much encouragement to the promoters of the plan who wish the women to become interested in this educational movement.

Mr. Duffy, who is fairly well known in Manchester and who is the father of Lieutenant Ward E. Duffy, formerly telegraph editor of The Evening Herald, spoke on the present war and the sacrifices we must make to win it. His was an unusually brilliant oration and it pleased those who attended the meeting. At the end, as is the custom of these meetings, heckling began. Questions of all sorts were hurled at the speaker for about a half hour.

Next Sunday because of Christmas festivities in the churches, there will be no session of the Open Forum but the week after another speaker will be arranged for. It has not yet been decided who this speaker will be or on what topic he will talk.

BUTTONS AT WAR BUREAU.

The Red Cross buttons for the present membership campaign did not arrive until this morning. Persons giving their names and subscriptions to the canvassers may obtain buttons by calling at the War Bureau headquarters in the Ferris block.

TO PUSH WAR SAVINGS PLAN IN MANCHESTER

Strong Committee Named By War Bureau—C. E. House at Its Head

First Meeting of New Committee Held at Recreation Building Friday Evening.

A determined movement to aid the government in the sale and distribution of thrift stamps and war savings certificates in Manchester was started Friday evening at the recreation building. At a meeting called for the purpose under the direction of the Manchester War Bureau, a large and representative committee organized for this work. Twenty-two members were present. R. LaMotte Russell, chairman of the war bureau finance committee, presided and explained in a forceful address replete with interesting information the purposes of the committee. The committee organization was completed as follows:

Chairman, C. E. House; school committee, F. A. Verplanck, J. C. Bushnell, A. F. Howes; church committee, Rev. W. J. McGurk, Rev. W. H. Bath; publicity committee, Fred H. Wall, James C. Tucker; sales and distribution committee, the entire membership of the Manchester War Savings Committee, representing all local factories, churches, schools and other interests.

Buy Stamps; Save Money.
Mr. Russell explained how the thrift stamps and war savings certificates enable people to save their money and yet help their government. He showed exhibits of the thrift stamps which sell for 25 cents each at the post offices and bank, and the war savings certificates which sell this month at \$4.12 and draw compound interest at 4 per cent. There will be no more \$50 liberty bonds, and the stamps have been called "baby bonds."

The government will need \$19,000,000,000 for war purposes soon, and the savings stamps must raise \$2,000,000,000. The people in all walks of life will be urged to buy these stamps and the new boy to the military, and the Director of the Connecticut war savings committee and is deeply interested in this branch of government service.

Stamps for Christmas.
Mr. Russell's address contained so much valuable information that a report of his talk will not be given here owing to lack of space but will be given in The Evening Herald later.

The newly organized War Savings committee will take steps to further the sale of the stamps in factories, stores, schools, churches and other public places. Later, a vigorous educational campaign will be launched in town to spread the sale of the stamps. The campaign will not be for a short period, but will be to insure steady and continued purchase of the stamps. Associations will be formed, and all members will pay small weekly sums to their treasurer, who will buy the stamps for all members.

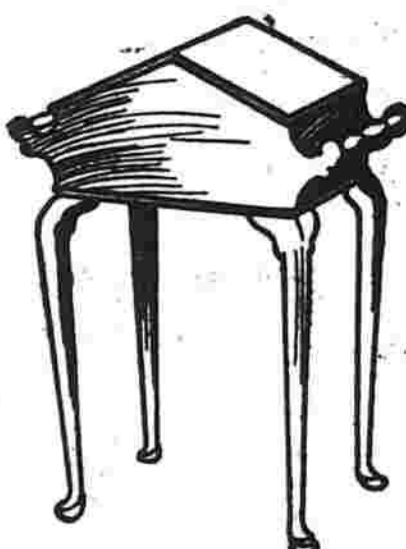
Questions were asked and remarks made at Friday evening's meeting by A. F. Howes, C. E. House, John Cairns, Harry M. Burke, Scott H. Simon, William Foulds, Jr., Thomas Brennan and John Alvord. It was agreed that as no bank can give out gold pieces this Christmas to those who wish to make such gifts, that the committee should urge all citizens to follow the custom in other places, that of making gifts of \$4.12 war certificates instead of \$5 gold pieces, and 25-cent thrift stamps to newboys instead of cash.

VISITED BY MASONS.

Rev. C. M. Calderwood Surprised at the Parsonage.

Rev. C. M. Calderwood, of the North Congregational church, who is to leave town soon for Lee, Mass., was given a pleasant surprise at the parsonage Saturday evening when a committee from the Masonic lodge called and presented to him a substantial purse. Mr. Calderwood has been pastor of the North Congregational church the past six and one half years and chaplain of Manchester Masonic lodge about five years. The Masonic brethren, after presenting the purse to their chaplain, spent about two hours with him in social intercourse. The committee was composed of William Walsh, John D. Henderson Sr., George W. Ferris and Harry R. Trotter, all past masters of the lodge.

The severing of diplomatic relations with Germany by Ecuador further decreases the number of friends of the kaiser in South America.



Three Good Suggestions For Christmas Gifts

THE SEWING TABLE

Here's a beautiful little Sewing Table in solid mahogany that would delight the heart of any woman. You'll be surprised to find how much it will hold. And the finish is the beautiful new brown mahogany. PRICE **\$16.50**

THE SECRETARY DESK

We have a number of these styles of desk left over from complete Suites which are priced at very attractive figures.

Two are especially good values; one in dark mahogany decorated for **\$16.75**

One in dark American Walnut similar to illustration for **\$22.50**

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ALLIES' TROOPS, SAYS A SAMMY ENGINEER

Awful Picture of Outrages Drawn by Writer of Letter to Robert Ridgeway of Public Service Commission, New York—German Officers Let Men Do It.

New York, Dec. 17.—Crucifixion of Canadian and Scottish soldiers by Germans on the western front, with wholesale outrages on nuns in captured convents, are given, by members of the Eleventh United States Engineer Regiment in letters received here today as the causes of a determination they express to fight to a finish and to give or take no quarter.

"If all of America could hear the horrible tales these refugees tell and see the country about us here," says one letter, "there would be five million American soldiers training for war and war loans would be oversubscribed by billions."

Letter to P. S. Commissioner.
One of the officers of the regiment in a letter to Robert Ridgeway, of the Public Service Commission wrote: "The devastated country and villages destroyed by shellfire, I suppose, must be expected. But the thing that makes one boil is the absolutely unnecessary and wanton destruction wrought by the retiring Hun. His usual wonderful and systematic methods have been applied to this destruction. Whole towns that have hardly been touched by shellfire have been completely destroyed by dynamite. We find notches cut in the few standing walls and marked with the size of the charge to be used. Evidently every building had been systematically prepared in that way, long in advance, for blowing up upon retirement.

Malicious Destruction.
"So homes, beautiful chateaus, garden walls, little summer houses are all blown up. Shade trees, flowering shrubs are cut down or the bark cut, so the trees will die. Cemeteries have been ransacked; graves and vaults opened; bones thrown about or in heaps on the ground. I have seen the cemeteries, they are awful sights; one body dragged half-way out of the casket; coffins broken open and the bones from several dumped into one. Evidently the boche was looking for jewelry, was simply malicious, or both."

Gifts From Tiffany's

Lasting Gifts for the Home are Silverware in a number of attractive designs both in Sterling and Tiffany plate. The plated ware sold under our name carries our strongest guarantee and is superior in wearing quality to most plated ware sold, even at prices much above ours.

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Reliable clocks from the best makers, in a variety of handsome designs.

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Large stock of Ladies' and Gentlemen's Watches, Waltham, Elgin, Hamilton and Illinois movements. Wrist Watches, Rings, Brooches, Bracelets, Lavallieres, Chains, Charms, Hatpins, Stick pins, Fobs, Etc., all in great variety.

TIFFANY'S

W. A. Smith, Manager.

"Serve at home if not in the trenches. Enroll in the Red Cross Army at once."

German Officers Consented. back.
"Those things could not be done without the knowledge and permission of the officers, and the thing is so complete that it looks as though it was all a part of an official program. I never did believe the stories we got in America of the outrages, and they are many times worse than the stories that I heard at home. Certain Canadian and Scottish battalions take no prisoners. They give and ask no quarter. The reason is that the boche has several times crucified the Canadian and Scotch prisoners and held them above the trenches in view of their battalions. In one such case a Canadian battalion went right over the top after the boches, without orders. A very few of them came back. A British chaplain told me that he knows personally of a Belgian convent where they found that fifty-seven out of eighty-two nuns had been violated when the boches fell upon them."
"I cannot understand what the mental operations or processes of the Hun can be. I cannot understand what his object can be. He must be the wrathful spite of a disappointed degenerate mind. In fairness to our many very fine acquaintances of German birth in America I will say that the German prisoners I have seen appear to be largely a different type from the German in America. They look not of a particularly high type. The reason — does not agree with me in this. He says he can see among them the counterpart of every man he ever knew."
"The prisoners will not believe that we are American troops. They say, 'No, it is impossible. Our marines have stopped all traffic between America and Europe.' This is the way with the German soldiers and suppose every one in Germany is kept in ignorance of the truth of the nation."

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Shoes for Christmas

She would certainly appreciate a pair of Dorothy Dodd shoes because they have a distinctive style and a faultless fit.

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Aunt Polly's Outsize Shoes

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In button and lace, in kid and patent leather.

AGENTS NEW METHOD LAUNDRY.
Laundry brought in Wednesday up to 2 p. m. returned Saturday.

COBB CHAMPION BATSMAN FOR 10TH SEASON; NO "HOME RUN KING"—IN AMERICAN LEAGUE

New York, Dec. 17—American League batting averages made public today show the following facts.

Ty Cobb was the batting champion for the 10th time in 13 years with a percentage of 385. He also led his league in stolen bases, with 55; he led in safe hits with 225; in total bases with 336; in two base hits with 44 and in three base hits with 23. Cobb at bat more times than any other player, facing the pitchers 588 times.

Dontie Bush scored the most runs, tallying 112 times.

Everett Scott played in the most games—157.

Wallie Pipp led in home runs with nine.

Ray Chapman made the most sacrifice hits—67.

Eddie Collins drew the most number of passes, getting 89 bases on balls.

Bob Roth fanned oftener than any other player. He struck out 73 times.

No Home Run King.

Baseball has no title that has gone begging for two years. It is the title of "Home Run King," once so proudly worn by Gavvy Cravath, who established the world's home run record for a single season when he registered 24 circuit clouts in 1915.

But there is no King of the Home Run Makers today.

The publishing of official American League batting averages mark the return of Ty Cobb to his own as the champion batsman of his league. And a perusal of the figures show many things of interest.

But the American League was unable to produce a slugger who could lay claim to the Home Run crown for 1917, and the figures indicate that the heavy sluggers are falling back.

Wallie Pipp's Home Run Pep.

Wallie Pipp, first baseman of the Yankees, is the home run king of the junior league. Pipp made nine home runs during the season of 1917. But in 1916 he registered 12 homers and entered triple tie for the honors with Davy Robertson of the Giants and F. Williams of the Cubs, both of whom made 12 homers that year.

National League Best at Bat.

The recent National League averages developed the fact that the title in the mother circuit is disputed between Robertson and Cravath. These two sluggers accounted for 12 home runs apiece this year, and as a result of Pipp's failure to do better than he did in 1916 there is no place to put the crown.

A comparison of American and National League slugging figures this year show a balance in favor of the old league. There were 12 national league players who made five or more homers last season, against nine in the American League. The 12 nationals registered a total of 80 home runs, against 58 for the nine American Leaguers.

The total home runs in the National League was 202, against 133 for the American, a difference of sixty nine.

The grand total for both leagues is 355, or forty five less than the big leaguers made in 1916, when the grand total was 380 home runs.

MRS. SARAH CARTER.

Sarah A. Carter, long a resident of Manchester and one of the best known residents in town, died in St. Francis hospital yesterday morning at two o'clock after a four weeks illness. Mrs. Carter was the wife of the late V. C. Carter and came to this town forty six years ago from South Windsor where she lived for the greater part of her early life. Had she lived, Mrs. Carter would have reached her eightieth birthday.

NATIONAL LEAGUE NOT CLASSY ON BASES.

The National League, as a league, lacks class on the bases.

Max Carey, who led his league in 1916 with 63 stolen cushions, was the leader again this year, but he swiped but 46 bases. Burns and Kauff, of the Giants, who ranked close to Carey last year, were up there again in 1917, but the National developed no new cracks on the base.

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town and before that she was a member of the Wapping church. She is survived by three children, Mrs. Jennie Adams, of Hartford, Mrs. Harriet Powell of Milwaukee, Wis., and Joseph C. Carter of this town. She leaves one sister a resident of Schenectady, N. Y. The funeral will be held Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock at the home of J. C. Carter of Main street. Rev. E. F. Studley of the North Methodist church will officiate and the interment will be in the Buckland cemetery.

Talcottville

William Stiles, Jr., fell on Talcott Brothers' mill yard recently and dislocated his knee. He was taken into the mill and Dr. Bean of Rockville was called. He set the knee and the young man was taken to his home.

Robert Doggart is home on a short furlough from Baltimore. He is serving in the Medical Corps.

William Prentice is going to leave the employ of Talcott Brothers as manager of the local store. He has accepted a position with the Sunshine Biscuit Co. as a traveling salesman.

Leon Thorp is making out a new war tax list of all men between the ages of 18 and 60 for the town of Vernon.

Robert Doggart has returned to Baltimore, after a short furlough with his parents. He does not expect to come home again as he expects to go back to France soon.

Charles Blankenburg, of Camp Devens, spent Sunday with his wife and parents.

Robert Smith is home from Fort Slocum, N. Y. on a short furlough. He has to return Wednesday afternoon.

Winifred Ruth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pettig, of Rockville, was baptized in the local church last Sunday morning by Rev. F. P. Bachelor.

Gustave Brochman of Hartford addressed a goodly number of people on the subject "Temperance," in the assembly rooms Sunday evening. He told of his conversion from the life of a drunkard. He is now a valued worker of the Connecticut Temperance Association. His address was very interesting and appealing.

A number of water pipes were frozen by the cold snap Saturday night.

Bolton

Announcement cards have been received in town for the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. George L. Dewey's daughter, Miss Mary Ella Dewey to Louis Maurice Perregeaux, both of Goshen, December 12. Mr. and Mrs. Dewey and family were former Bolton residents.

Mrs. John Ward of Hartford and sister-in-law, Miss Margaret Ward, of Manchester, plan to leave soon for Florida to visit the former's sister, Mrs. Raymond S. Yeomans. Mrs. Yeomans and Mrs. Ward were formerly the Misses Milburn of this town.

Miss Annie M. Alvord is in Manchester for a few days.

Tax Collector Andrew E. Manegia's youngest son, Thomas, broke his wrist last week by falling from a ladder while descending from a hay mow. Dr. C. Y. Moore reduced the fracture.

Miss Josephine Matheln was home from Preston for the week end. The extreme cold weather and bad travelling made the attendance small at the dance given in the Bolton Hall Saturday evening. F. S. Doane was the promoter.

Thrift and war certificate stamps have been received at the local post office.

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TOWN ADVERTISEMENT.

PROPOSALS FOR PURCHASE OF STANDING CHESTNUT TREES.

Sealed proposals will be received by Herbert O. Bowers, Superintendent of Parks of the Town of Manchester, Connecticut, until 2 o'clock P. M. on December 29, 1917, for standing Chestnut Trees in "Center Woods Park", so-called, in the Town of Manchester, Connecticut.

This Park contains Forty-six (46) Acres of land and has growing thereon nearly Two Thousand (2000) trees.

The tract is unusually well located for shipping facilities.

Bids are invited to cover

(a) The entire trees including branches.

(b) Such part of the trees as are fit only for poles, ties or timber.

Specifications in blank form for proposals or bids can be secured at the Town Clerk's Office in said Manchester or from the Park Superintendent, Manchester, Connecticut.

The privilege of rejecting any or all bids is reserved.

Dated at Manchester, Connecticut, December 13, 1917.

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A. E. BOWERS,
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buy an Aluminum Eye glass case
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from the large stock of attractive Christmas goods that we are offering at very moderate prices.

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- Ivory Toilet Sets from \$1.98 to \$7.98
- Ivory Manicure Sets \$1.00 to \$7.98
- Ivory Comb and Brush Sets \$1.00 to \$3.98
- Ivory Clocks \$1.98 to \$3.98
- Ivory Candlesticks \$1.25 pair
- Ivory Handled Manicure Implements 25c. to 50c.
- Ivory Buffers 25c to \$1.00
- Ivory men's Toilet Sets \$1.00 to \$7.98
- Ivory Picture Frames, Hair Receivers, Pin Cushions Puff Boxes, Vases, Watch Holders, Hair Brushes, Mirrors and a variety of other useful articles at low prices.

Muslin Underwear

Most desirable as gifts for Ladies, our muslin underwear is of fine quality, daintily trimmed and packed in holly boxes.

- White Muslin Skirts \$1.00 to \$3.98
- White Muslin Gowns \$1.00 to \$2.98
- White Muslin Chemisettes \$1.00 to \$2.98
- White Muslin Drawers 39c to \$1.00
- White Muslin Corset Covers 25c to \$1.25
- Crepe-de-chine—Satin Camisoles \$1.00 to \$1.50

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Johnson Block Main and Bissell Streets
Help make this a "Red Cross Christmas." Join the Red Cross today.

The Last Week Before Xmas Your Last Chance For This Offer

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- 2 Twenty per Cent off on WATCHES, CUT GLASS and SILVER WARE.
- 3 Ten per Cent off on all DIAMONDS.

This holds good through December.

JOHN CAIRNS

The Jeweler

Come To The Men's Gift Shop

GIFTS THIS SEASON WILL BE APPRECIATED IN PROPORTION TO THEIR USEFULNESS.

As in previous years our store is the popular shop for Gifts for the Men and Boys, gifts that will be appreciated long after the price is forgotten. YOU OWE IT to yourself to call and inspect our offerings and also the prices. We can save you money if you do your Xmas trading with us.

Below is a partial list of the good things in store for you. SHOP EARLY.

Bates St. Shirts \$1.50 to \$3.50	Silk Hosiery 50c to 65c
G. & H. Special Shirts \$1.00 to \$1.50	Lisle Hosiery 35c
Sweaters \$2.50 to \$9.50	Wool Hosiery 25c to 50c
Dress Gloves \$1.75 to \$2.50	Collars 15c and 25c
Working Gloves 35c to \$1.75	Initial Handkerchiefs 25c and 50c
Military Vests \$3.00 to \$5.00	Arm Bands 25c to \$1.00
Pajamas \$1.00 to \$2.50	Cuff Links 88c to \$1.48
Underwear 75c to \$3.50	Watch Chains 50c to \$4.50
Men's Mackinaws \$7.00 to \$10.00	Jewelry Sets \$5.00
Boys' Mackinaws \$6.50 to \$7.00	Sammy Trench Kits \$5.00
Cheney's Mufflers \$2.00 to \$5.00	Cigarette Holders
Ladies' Wool Scarfs \$1.00 to \$1.50	Pocket Books
Skating Sets \$2.00 to \$3.00	Men's Umbrellas \$1.00 to \$6.00
Combination Garters and Arm Bands.	Ladies' Umbrellas \$1.00 to \$7.50
Suspenders (Boxed)	Men's Rain Coats \$5.00 to \$12.00
Men's Hqse Slippers 75c to \$2.00	Boys' Raincoats, hats to match \$4.60
Men's Moccasins \$2.50 to \$3.00	Suit Cases and Bags
Men's Arctics.	Ladies' and Children's Moccasin
Rubber Boots.	Ladies' and Children's Slippers
	Children's Arctics
	Rubbers
	Children's Shoes

Men's Fine Dress Shirts are always acceptable, \$3.50 to \$8.50.

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Just the largest assortment ever shown in town, buy your Christmas neckwear here and you'll buy the best 50c to \$1.50.

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ABOUT TOWN

TONIGHT IN MANCHESTER.
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Wadsworth Council, O. U. A. M., Spencer hall.
Park theater, Sugar distribution.
Circle theater, "Every Girl's Dream."

Lighting Up Time.
Auto lamps should be lighted at 4.51 p. m.
The sun rose at 7.14 a. m.
The sun sets at 4.21 p. m.

Joe Sprague, a Maine guide and woodsman, is visiting Judge H. O. Bowers.

A daughter has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Percy W. Bidwell of New Haven.

Dewey Soderberg of Center street went to Hartford today to try to enlist in the Ordnance department.

Ernest Johnson, of High street, who enlisted in the navy about a week ago, left for Newport, R. I., this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Smith of Church street left this morning for Florida, where they will remain until April 1, 1918.

Harold Walsh was down from Camp Devens to spend part of yesterday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Walsh of Center street.

Men in the employ of the Folly Brook Ice company were scraping the snow from the Globe Hollow ice pond yesterday, preparatory to harvesting this week.

Smokers say that the cold, dry weather of the past three weeks has been hard on cigars. The wrappers are so dry that they crumble and fall off if the cigars are carried in the pocket.

The Ladies' Catholic Benevolent association of St. James church will hold its regular meeting in Cheney hall at eight o'clock this evening. Business of importance is to be transacted and a large attendance is desired.

This will be the big week for Christmas buying. In spite of the high cost of living and the many calls for war contributions the holiday trade has opened up unusually well. The stiff winter weather brings many suggestions for gifts and simplifies selections.

Persons wishing to facilitate the delivery of mail and make the work of the carriers easier should clean the snow from the front steps. The carriers report that in most cases the path is dug from the street around to the side door, while the snow is left in front of the front door.

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TUESDAY, OPEN EACH
NIGHT UNTIL 9 P. M.



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\$20 to \$29.50 Suits \$15.00

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All Coats at After Xmas Prices

Don't wait any longer for the after Xmas reductions on Coats and Suits. COME NOW. Make a real substantial present, that means more than anything else you could give.

Gloves, Hosiery, Handkerchiefs

MAKE USEFUL CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

And nowhere can you find larger assortments of these and many other similar needables than we can show you right now at smallest possible prices.

- Fibre Silk Hose, 35c to 75c
- Pure Silk Hosiery, \$1.10 to \$1.98
- Fownes Kid Gloves, \$2.50 pair
- Lamb Skin Gloves, \$1.75 pair
- Infant's Cashmere Hose, 39c to 45c
- Wool Gauntlet Gloves, 75c to \$1.25
- Women's Golf Gloves, 39c to 75c
- Children's Golf Gloves, 39c
- Children's Mitten, 25c to 50c
- Children's Mocha Gloves (Lined) \$1.50
- Soldier Khaki Silk Handkerchiefs, 50c
- Men's Plain Handkerchiefs, 7c to 25c
- Women's Embroidered Handkerchiefs, 5c, 10c, 15c, 25c, 35c
- Hand embroidered Handkerchiefs, 50c
- Women's initial Handkerchiefs, 39c
- (Six in a box)
- Women's Embroidered Handkerchiefs, 25c, 35c
- (3 in a box)
- Children's Handkerchiefs, (boxed), 15c, 19c, 25c, 29c a box.

Xmas Suggestions in the Basement

- Cut Glass, \$1.25 to \$10.00
- Fancy China in Christmas boxes, 50c to \$6.98
- Chafing Dishes, \$5.00 to \$12.98
- Casseroles, \$3.98 to \$5.98
- Electric Toasters, \$4.00
- Electric Grills, \$6.50 to \$7.98
- Rochester Percolators, \$1.79 to \$3.98
- Thermos Bottles, \$1.50 to \$2.75
- Electric Flat Irons, \$2.98 to \$5

FURS

- Muffs of all kinds, prices \$5.98 to \$29.50
- Stoles, \$5.98 to \$25.00
- The cheaper ones are not fur but plush and velvet. These are exceptionally stylish and in very great demand.
- Collarettes, \$9.98 to \$25.00
- In addition the famous NAROBIA furs, which are guaranteed for two years, we carry a variety of Hudson Seal, Raccoon, Muskrat, Wolf, Black Lynx, Skunk, Black Fox, etc., furs.
- Children's Fur Sets, \$2.49 to \$9.98
- In brown, grey, white, etc., some sets having the small collarettes, the muffs being either round or flat.
- Turkish Towel Bath Set, \$1.98
- Set consists of 1 rug, 1 towel, 1 wash cloth.
- Colors, white with either pink, blue or gold.
- Novelty Crib Quilts, \$1.59 and \$2.49

For the Soldier Boys

- Money Belts, 50c to \$1.98
- Tobacco Pouches, 35c
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- Trench Mirrors, 25c to 99c
- Combination Kits, 50c

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WILSON-BELL.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bell of Winter street have announced the marriage of their daughter to Clarence F. Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wilson of Starkweather street. The marriage ceremony was performed by Rev. E. F. Studley at the North Methodist parsonage on Saturday evening. The groom is employed at the Carlyle Johnson factory. The young couple will make their home for the present with the bride's parents.

The thrift checks, some 1,400 will be mailed to the members of the Thrift Club by the local bank this week. It was said this afternoon that local residents saved about \$40,000 this year for Christmas. Most of the money will go for payments on Liberty Bonds.

At a meeting of the Center church committee yesterday afternoon the matter of filling the pastorate during the temporary absence of Dr. Hesselgrave was considered and was finally left with the society's committee. T. H. Bidwell, R. LaMotte Russell and G. H. Miller.

Undertaker Quish has placed the body of the man supposed to be James Shea, in the receiving vault in the East cemetery. Despite the effort of the police the body has not yet been identified. This is the man who was found dead in a bunk shack of the Lynch Construction Co., on the west side of the town.

ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL NOTES.

The King's Daughters will meet in the guild room of the parish house at 7.30 o'clock this evening.

The candidates of the Girls' Friendly society will meet in the parish house at 4.30 o'clock Wednesday evening.

The Ladies' Guild will meet in the guild room of the parish house at 7.30 Thursday afternoon.

5 OUT OF Every 10 People

Are in need of glasses. Are you one of them? If you need glasses why don't you have your eyes fitted, or do you think that you can't afford the price of a good pair. It is poor economy, as to economize on the eyes is the most costly and dangerous thing you can do. Economize on any, and everything else if you want to, but give your eyes always the best that you can afford and you will be giving yourself health and happiness and at the same time be saving the price of your glasses several times in Doctor bills, as many ills are traced directly to the eyes.

Did you ever think how thankful Mothers or Fathers would be with a new pair of eyes. See me and talk it over. The "COHAL" lenses are the best, they are fitted only in my office and cannot be bought elsewhere.

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For the accommodation of the Christmas shoppers, the local stores will be open every night this week and also next Monday night, which is Christmas eve.

The man on the corner... Every once in a while there are those who think that the Golden Rule should be suspended for their benefit.