

### Winter Weather in Montana.

Mrs. J. M. O'Neil, (nee Grace Hask) of Blaine, Mont., writing to the Advertiser, also gives us a vivid description of the weather conditions in Montana, in which she says:

"Enclosed find the usual amount for my subscription for the year 1916. Was delayed in sending it on account of being quite ill, and in the hospital for some time. We are having one of the hardest and most severe winters known here since 1885-7 and in some parts the most severe in sixty years. It was during the winter of 1888-7 that nearly all the stock perished. Of course, conditions are so much better and the country so much more thickly populated, that there is nothing to fear in that line now. Snow is from two to four feet deep. It has only been 56 degrees below zero here but reports show it much colder in other parts of the state. At Gardner, the northern entrance of the Yellowstone National Park, there are between 3,000 and 4,000 elk, several thousand deer and over 300 mountain sheep, being fed by the government.

"The animals have been driven from the foothills and mountains by the snow. It is a wonderful sight and something inspiring to see vast herds of wild game driven to man, their natural enemy, for protection. One of the most unusual features of the exploring trip is the large number of mountain sheep that can be seen here. These are probably the best kind animals in the American Continent, as many sportsmen have tried for years to bag one and here they almost get from your hand.

"In spite of the unusually severe winter I still think Montana a fine place in which to live."

### Postal Department New Pension Rating.

An order from the postoffice department directs that pension-bearing mail, carried on rural routes, must be delivered to pensioners only. The department has been working along the line of safety in delivery of pensions for some time and finally has decided a way that admits of very few errors.

Each pensioner receives a certificate from the department with a serial number, stating that he is entitled to a pension from the government. The letter carrying the pension is enclosed in a "window envelope" or one in which the serial number of paper is pasted over the front and through which the address and number of the pension can be plainly read. Therefore the pensioner to whom the money is due only needs to produce the certificate with the corresponding number and he gets the pension. This method has been in use since June and only one pension-bearing letter has been returned to the postoffice department.

Another rule is that if the person to whom the letter is addressed is not to be found, the letter must be immediately returned.

If the pensioner dies the letter must be returned to the pension department and not given to his heirs. If he moves from the city the pension must be returned and forwarded although the office has an order to forward all mail.

### Farm Booklet Sent Free.

Just how to feed an animal in order that it may make the most profit is a problem which many farmers are asking. It is known that dairy cows give milk in amounts directly in proportion to the kind of feed they receive and often the profits that drop because a balance ration is not maintained. To meet the requests coming from all parts of the country on profitable feeding, H. Palmer, of the Agricultural Extension Department, Ohio State University, Columbus, has prepared a handy booklet on "The Feeding of the Animals." It contains the following standard feeds, rations and digestible nutrients in a plain, concise, every day manner. The booklet will free to all interested persons, for schools and granges may secure lots of from 25 to 50 by writing to Extension Service, Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio.

### Light Cheaper Than Feed.

"Light is cheaper than feed and more beneficial than gallons of germicides," states Frederick W. Ives, Professor of Farm Architecture, Ohio State University, in replying to the many requests that come to him about lighting the barn properly. "Every barn should have at least four square feet of window space to each animal and in winter barns this should be increased to six or eight square feet." Good windows properly put in will not make the barn much colder in winter, but will add to the convenience of the farmer in doing his work in the building. Often times the barn floors are left uncleaned during the winter evenings and barnyards to make proper light; this causes sudden changes of temperature which are harmful to the animals.

### Ripley Items.

Farmers Institute Wednesday and Thursday of this week in Greenview claims the attention of a good many of our farmers.

All are beginning to look over the sugar camp fixtures preparatory to the opening.

Mrs. Wm. Simmons is visiting her son, Max, and other relatives in Bowlinggreen.

Word from C. E. Stotts finds him both well and with his face still southward, but well.

Resolved That Trial by Jury should be abolished, was taddy hammered on both sides, with J. M. Palm and J. H. Gleason on the affirmative, and G. S. Gatlin and J. O. Palm for the negative. Decision for the negative.

T. B. Black was a recent guest of his son, Ross, in Newark.

H. H. Sibbett was one of the Auditors of the books of the Farmers Banking Co. last week.

F. D. Donaldson, township clerk, was in Mansfield last Monday in re the case of Wm. Myers, for neglect in the education of his children.

The building committee of the Baptist church are making matters alone nicely.

Mrs. U. W. Rank and Maud Waits are guests of the E. M. S. at the Sibbets last Wednesday.

H. N. Miller and wife of Plymouth, Ohio, were in town last Monday, the Sibbets, in Boughtonville.

Marvin Howard and wife of Sp. Mansfield last Thursday evening and made his home with Oscar MacComber, son of Ripley, where he began to accumulate a competency for later life. Soon after he married Sallie Gleason, of Ripley, who now survives with her son and daughter Emma. Caleb was a caricature and humorist and was one of the most friendly of men, an accommodating neighbor and thoroughly honest, who considered his word as good as his note. He was born near Auburn, N. Y., Jan. 3rd, 1840, and died Jan. 26, 1916, at the home of his daughter, Emma, 75 years of age. He was buried in Lima, Ohio, of heart trouble, aged 75 years and 23 days. He is survived by his wife, Emma, daughter, Emma of Lima, and one son, Walter Mosher of Greenview, and two grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. Interment in Edwards Grove cemetery in Ripley.

This week Friday evening the question of the Board of the National Civil Service Commission will be conducted to manufacturing munitions of the United States.

Leading speakers for the evening are L. M. Palm, affirmative, Alfred Reber negative.

The entire program will be in the hands of the centralized school pupils. On March 3rd will be ladies' night, one of the best programs will be given on that evening, and the concluding night will be an old timer for the benefit of the orchestra.

### Civil Service Examinations.

Mansfield has been selected as one of the places where the State Civil Service Commission will conduct an examination of applicants for the position of superintendent and inspector to be employed by the State Highway Commissioner. The examination in Mansfield will be conducted at the court house, for superintendent on February 24, and for inspector on February 25.

Because of the large amount of construction and improvement work to be performed during the coming year, the demand for both superintendents and inspectors is much larger than usual, and a large number of applicants will be required. Only the eligible list secured through these examinations.

Prospective candidates must file their applications with the commission in Columbus and will then receive a card which will admit them to the examination room. A special representative of the State Civil Service Commission will be in Mansfield to conduct the test, but will be assisted by two well known engineers.

All inquiries regarding these examinations may be secured for the asking by addressing The State Civil Service Commission at Columbus.

### WILL WORK PRISONERS.

County Roads Will be Repaired by Them.

The county commissioners are so well pleased with the recent experiment of working prisoners on the roads that announcement was made Wednesday that with the arrival of spring all prisoners sent to the county jail will be employed in improving the public highways.

In the past, it has cost the county forty cents per day for the board of each workhouse prisoner, together with the expense of transporting to and from the institution for the prisoner and officer, amounting to nearly \$15.

The commissioners believe that by sending those charged with being drunk and other minor offenses to the county work gang, that a considerable expense can be saved.

### Literary Program.

The High School Literary Society will give its regular meeting on Tuesday evening, February 22, at 8:30 o'clock. The program has been planned to commemorate the birthdays of great Americans who were born during February. We feel that the program is one which will interest every young American. For this reason we have rented Hamilton's Hall, inasmuch as the High School Assembly room offers little accommodation for guests. An admission fee of ten cents will be charged at the door, in order to defray expenses of the hall. The program, which follows, will be given:

1. Memory Gems from  
 a. Lowell  
 b. Longfellow  
 c. Lincoln  
 d. Washington
- Members of Literary Society
- Reading—Character of Washington.....Rens Bittmeier  
 Recitation.....Ethel Fidler  
 Reading—Abraham Lincoln.....Ethel Hostler  
 Vocal Solo.....Louise Willett  
 Recitation—Washington's Birthday.....John Lyon  
 Piano—Lives of Lowell and Longfellow.....Clayce Pugh  
 Recitation—Lincoln's Birthday.....Eugene Parsel  
 Piano Duett.....Label Hakes, Winnifred Whittier  
 Reading—Extracts from various Authors.....Ruth Lynn  
 Recitation—John's History Lesson.....Frederick Chappell
2. The Arrow Maker's Daughter—Dramatized from Longfellow's Hiawatha.
- CHARACTERS:  
 Hiawatha, the boy.....Oliver Donnenwirth  
 Hiawatha, the man.....Lawrence Gaskell  
 Nokomis.....Gertrude Willett  
 Iagoo.....David Ford  
 The Arrow Maker.....Fred Thrush  
 Minnehaha.....Louise Willett  
 The Priest.....Earl Heath  
 Famine.....Heleen Hatch  
 Fever.....Alveida Monteith
- Indian Maidens  
 Thelma Ernest  
 Isabel Hake  
 Thelma Beelman  
 Helen Poisel  
 Helen Jones  
 Winnifred Whittier
- Indian Braves  
 Lawrence Buzard  
 Harry Trauger  
 Charles Jones  
 Royce Trauger  
 Floyd Major

### Presbyterian Church Notes.

9:30 Sunday School—Subject: Early Christian Brotherhood.  
 Object Sermon, The value and use of money.  
 10:30 Sermon—"The Lord encouraging a suffering Church."  
 6:30 p. m., Christian Endeavor—Subject: "Enabling God to talk with men."  
 7:00 p. m., Sermon—"Pushers, Plodders and Shirks."

### Received Check All O. K.

Our townsman, Sol Spear, has received the following acknowledgment of the receipt of the money raised in Plymouth for the benefit of the Jewish European war sufferers:  
 New York, Feb. 14, 1916.  
 Mr. Sol Spear, Plymouth, Ohio.  
 Dear Sir:  
 "I acknowledge with many thanks your favor of the 5th, enclosing \$20.00, for which you will please find our receipt 17156. I think the showing you have made for a town of your size is splendid indeed, and I feel that it is but right that you should convey the thanks of this committee to the people of your city for the assistance they rendered on President's Proclamation day, thru the medium of your local press.

Apart from money obtained, the response has vouchsafed that feeling of gratification which humanity can only enjoy when it is put to the test of proving the common brotherhood of man. The President of the United States in naming Jewish Proclamation day, surely had the ethical idea in mind as well as he did the practical assistance that he knew would be forthcoming from the people of America."

Yours very truly,  
 HARRY FISCHER, Treas.

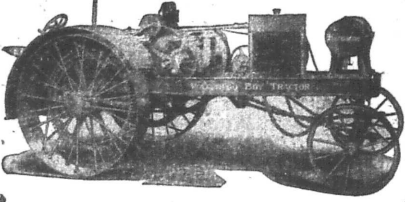
### Notice of Appointment.

Estate of Isaac A. Ruby, Deceased.  
 Notice is hereby given that Catharine Ruby has been appointed and qualified as Executrix of the estate of Isaac A. Ruby, late of Huron county, Ohio deceased. All persons having claims against said estate will present them, duly authenticated, to said Executrix for allowance.

ARTHUR E. ROWLEY,  
 Probate Judge.  
 Newark, Ohio, Jan. 15, 1916.

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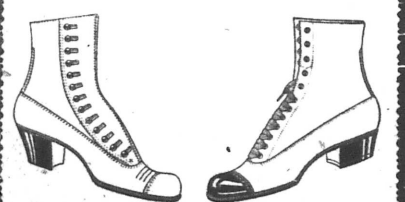


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## FOR INDIGESTION

Mrs. W. R. Whitehead, R. R. 1, Pryor, Oklahoma, writes: "I am happy to tell you that I have free from my old stomach trouble; feel no catarrhal symptoms at all. I am able to do my work, eat and drink what I want, and rejoice to know that I found a sure cure in this valuable medicine. I think it saved my life. By beginning in time with Peruna I was cured sound and well."

## Are Strong and Happy.

The Peruna Company, Columbus, Ohio. These who object to liquid medicine can now procure Peruna in tablet form.

# NEAL OF THE NAVY

By WILLIAM HAMILTON OSBORNE

Author of "Red Meads," "Dancing Right," "Catspaw," "Blue Buckle," "etc."

Novelized from the Photo Play of the Same Name Produced by the Pathe Exchange, Inc.

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## SYNOPSIS.

On the day of the eruption of Mount Pelee, John Hardin of the steamer Concord rescues five-year-old Annette from the cave from his boat, but is forced to leave behind her father and his companions. The child is sustained by Hernandez and Ponto in a vain attempt to send aboard the Princess with her daughter, Pongo proving his love to Annette by rescuing her from the jaws of a cobra. Hernandez's indignation causes him to send aboard the Princess with his daughter, Pongo proving his love to Annette by rescuing her from the jaws of a cobra. Hernandez's indignation causes him to send aboard the Princess with his daughter, Pongo proving his love to Annette by rescuing her from the jaws of a cobra.

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"This man, in reality a giant, looked like a pygmy from below as he crawled hand over hand to the heights below. At the edge of the cliff he was assisted by two other men who dragged him on to terra firma and who relieved him of his burden. This burden they carried between them to a hut. Before doing so they cut the big man across the shoulders with a whip and pointed to the shore below. The big man nodded. He stood for one moment on the edge of the cliff and gazed about him. He gauged the grade of the wicket, sharp, big razor back, and nodded once again; then nimbly he leaped over the face of the cliff, striking his heels into the edge of that perilous path some thirty feet or more below—and then in spite of his huge bulk ran like a deer down to the beach. The men above dropped their burden and watched him. "Ah," said Hernandez to his comrade Ponto, "the beast—he knows that there was a touch upon Hernandez's shoulder. Hernandez was triggered as though at the fall of a whip. A third man faced him, low-browed, cunning-eyed. Hernandez breathed a sigh of relief. Half an hour later, with his final load strapped to his back, the brute climbed for the last time over the edge of the cliff, this time bearing his own burden to the hut. The three men already within the hut admitted him. There was no window to this hut, and the light within was dim. The light was borne by a tiny little bug-like smugger of Martineque." The other man smiled grimly in his turn. "Tidy is the word, soldier of

"Oh, well, if you will," said the smuggler, "but one must swim under water to find the other outlet." He folded his arms. "Why do you think of my palace now?" he said. He stopped and pushed at another iron ring in the floor. It disclosed a smaller hole-filled with contents of strange appearance. Hernandez seized the lantern. "What of this?" he said. "This command I do not know." "Careful," exclaimed the other man, "if those ghouls, the authorities, ever have the temerity to discover my cache, I shall not be here. I shall be a mile away—no, not less, and from that safe point of vantage I shall press a button and—poof—none will ever live to tell the tale—none, save myself." Hernandez eyed the other man with undigested admiration. "How I should like to see it work," he said. The other nodded. "Some day—some day you know—your name is a man after my own heart, friend Hernandez. Come, let us ascend to the skylight once again. The door did away were bid and assisted the gentleman of Martineque to lower his new stores to their resting place below. Suddenly the man of Martineque held up his head and said: "Wait," he whispered, "somebody." Their trained ears detected the sound of stealthy footsteps creeping around and around the hut. The footsteps ceased and there was a knock upon the door. Outside there stood a man—a man of great bulk in alarm at the sight of the crafty comrade of this cunning-looking stranger. But Hernandez clicked his teeth. "Come, Joe Welcher," said Hernandez, "I am glad to see you're welcome." Welcher looked about him and then sidled to Hernandez. "A note from Inez," he whispered to the latter, "about the governor's levee."

then stepped directly to the governor and handed him the note. "This is the young lady here, Francois," exclaimed the governor. Annette took the note to a window where there was somewhat better light, and opened it. It was written in a scrawling unaccustomed hand. "This is what it said: 'Have seen scar face. Need you a moment for identification. We have run him down. Come with bearer of this note. Excuse scrawl—right hand N. G.' Hastily, NEAL P. S.—Don't drag mother into this. Come as you are." Annette beckoned to the stunky. "Where is she said, 'the bearer of this note?' The stunky bowed, "Follow me," he said. At the gate there stood a man waiting hat in hand—a man with cunning eyes and insinuating smile. "Mr. Hardin sent you?" he inquired with a grin. The man bowed. "Oui, mademoiselle," he returned. "Where is he now?" she queried caustically. "Where he said he would wait—the postern garden gate," returned the bearer. "What road," she followed this man into the shadows. In another instant she had reached a carriage and an instant later something descended over her head, smoothing her cries—something bound her arms to her side. But the smuggler had been right. Neal was there, bound round her neck and his hands on the bottom of the carriage. An instant later the vehicle rattled sharply off into the night.

With a Mighty Roar Dropped Into the Sea. Annette viewed this proceeding with alarm. She struggled fiercely. Five minutes later the brute returned and once more under the stinging lash of the whip seized Annette and bore her below. Hernandez and his two companions followed them down. "Ah," said the smuggler to Neal and Annette, "this house has all appointments. This is the swimming pool. My friends, you can swim here for one hour—or less. This is in truth a cavern of death. I hate to do it," he added, just before he disappeared, "but needs must when the devil drives." There was a click as the stone trap dropped into place of the earth above. "This is a pretty pickle," exclaimed Neal to Annette. "They were lying on opposite sides of that black pool." "If you can crawl," said Neal, "crawl for your life." Annette understood. Little by little Neal worked himself along the side of the ledge and Annette along hers, each gradually approaching the other around the circle. Finally their heads touched. "Careful," said Neal; "close to the wall. Now let me have your hands. Let me unbind you first." On the surface of the earth above Hernandez and his companions loaded their cases into a cart and drove far across the wilderness into a ravine. "Here," said the man of Martineque, lifting up the cover of a metal box set in the rock, "here is the switch of which I spoke. One turn of the wrist—poof—then oblivion."

## SIXTH INSTALLMENT THE CAVERN OF DEATH CHAPTER XXV.

A Secret Service Message. Neal turned to look at Annette. He exclaimed, "you're safe at any rate. Where is my mother—where are the rest?" "In the wireless room," returned Annette. She laughed a bit hysterically. "Even Joe Welcher is quite safe," she said. Neal held her for a moment, shielding her body with his own. He looked about him. "This mutiny is over," he said, in a tone of relief. He was quite right. The mutiny was over, but with disastrous results. Neal's commanding officer lay on the deck with a fractured skull. The captain and the mate of the fruit steamer Coronado were dead or nearly so, and the decks were strewn with disabled, bleeding mutineers. "Now come with me," said Neal. He waved his hand and a small squad of his companions joined him. He sought and found his mother and her faithful companions, Joe Welcher and the Castro girl—known to the rest as Irene Courtier. He led them ast and placed a guard over her.

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fortune," he returned. "At any rate it's safe. You think all the palace matches it. Come with me." He strode to the corner of the hut and threw aside a matchbox. Leaving door he cleared away a number of short workman boards. Then he lifted up a sheetiron door. With an exclamation of surprise Hernandez and his companions observed that there was a narrow passageway cut through the solid earth. One by one each man lowered himself into this passageway and followed his leader. From a perpendicular shaft the corridor shelled off into a passage almost horizontal and widened as it went. "This," said the smuggler of Martineque, "is the third story, as it were. Neal, not gaudy."

CHAPTER XXVII. Decey. Neal leaped out of one of the small boats of the destroyer Jackson and ran nimbly up the wharf. He had good reason to, for on the veranda of a hotel not a quarter of a mile away he saw a girl he knew. In record time he was by her side. "Look, look," Annette to Neal's mother and Inez, "look who's here." "Always," said Inez, "I do like a uniform and," she added, coyly, "with a bow tie, and what comes in them too." "You got my note?" queried Annette. "I got it," returned Neal, "but no go."

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Neal nodded to one of his companions. "Mate," he said, "shoot the first person who disobeys. I've got other fish to fry." He went back to his work. He wig-wagged to the Jackson for his orders. The orders were brief and to the point. You take charge of the steamer. We are sending help."

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Annette Conceals the Yellow Packet.



The Governor's Levee.

WHEN KIDNEYS ACT BAD TAKE GLASS OF SALTS Eat Less Meat If Kidneys Hurt or You Have Backache or Bladder Misery - Most Forms Urine Acid.

No man or woman who eats meat regularly can make a mistake by flushing the kidneys occasionally, says a well-known authority. Meat, especially uric acid which clogs the kidney pores so they sluggishly filter or strain only part of the waste and poisons from the blood, then get out what they can.

The moment you feel a dull ache in the kidneys or your back hurts, or if the urine is cloudy, offensive, full of sediment, irregular in passage or attended by a sensation of scalding, or about four ounces of Jad Salts from any reliable pharmacy and take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days your kidneys will then set fine.

This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with bicarbonate of soda, and is the best and most natural for generating to flush clogged kidneys and stimulate them to activity, also to neutralize the acids in urine so it no longer causes irritation, thus ending bladder disorders.

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Of Course Not. Jaggs - I was painting the town red last night. Waggs - I'll bet you didn't use water-colors.

PREPAREDNESS! To Fortify The System Against Grip when Grip is prevalent LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE should be used. It is the best and most natural for generating to flush clogged kidneys and stimulate them to activity, also to neutralize the acids in urine so it no longer causes irritation, thus ending bladder disorders.

Duly Cautioned. The street car was crowded, and a gentleman with kindly twinkles in his eyes took five-year old Tom upon his lap.

This will be better than standing, won't it, my boy? "Uh, uh," Tom replied with enthusiasm. He had rather enjoyed lurching about the aisle, just like his father.

"But you want to be careful that I don't pick your pocket," the gentleman cautioned in a whisper.

"Can't," Tom replied, his voice somewhat muffled, "because you're looking at me I put my penny in my mouth." -Judge.

Affectionate Chicks. Henry E. Dixey met a friend on Broadway.

"Well, Henry," exclaimed the friend, "you are looking fine! What do they feed you on?"

"Chicken, mostly," replied Dixey. "You see I am rehearsing a new play where I am to be a chief, so just by way of getting into training for the part I steal one of my own chickens every morning and have the cook broil it for me. I have accomplished the remarkable feat of eating thirty chickens in thirty days."

"Great Scott!" exclaimed the friend. "Do you still like them?"

"Yes, I do," replied Dixey, "and what is better still, the chickens like me. Why, they have got so when I sneak into the henhouse they all begin to cackle 'I wish I was in Dixey's place.'"

A GOOD CHANGE. A Change of Food Works Wonders. Wrong food and drink cause a lot of trouble in this world. To change is first when a person is ill, particularly from stomach troubles.

Postum. My stomach and bowels improved right after the reduction introduced in flesh and so nervous that the least thing would overcome me.

"Then I changed my food and began eating Grape-Nuts in Postum. I lived on this practically for about four months. Day by day I gained in flesh and strength until the nervous trouble and sleeplessness had left me. Now my health is better than it has been for years."

Postum Cereal - the original form - must be well boiled. 1lb and 2lb packages. Instant Postum - a soluble powder - dissolves quickly in a cup of hot water, and with cream and sugar, makes a delicious beverage instantly. 30c and 50c tins. The food is especially delicious and cost about the same per cup. There's a Reason for Postum. Sold by Grocers.

COURT'S DEBT TO WASHINGTON

Probably the Only Man Who Could Have Won Liberty for the People.

Difficulties Which He Had to Encounter Were Almost Insurmountable - Lack of Preparation Hampered Continentals in All Their Battles.

GEORGE WASHINGTON, the commander of the American armies, never before in our history one else the offensive and defensive value of the forces under him; and he has left a vivid written record of the relative value of untrained short-term men and of a disciplined long-term body made of individuals of the same class. He plainly expressed his opinion, fully confirmed by history, since his time, of the army needed by this country when, soon after the disaster at Camden, he wrote to congress: "What we need is a good army and a few one year men."

Probably no war was ever carried on where the one side was represented in the field by so great a proportion of untrained troops, not under a central national control, and no great commander, before or since, has ever succeeded with so rapidly shifting a body of badly equipped men.

Bunker Hill Analyzed. At the battle of Bunker Hill, an army of untrained American minute men and militia, under the command, however of regular troops, of Gen. Stark, Putnam and Knowlton of the higher rank, and among the lower officers a sprinkling of men experienced in military operations, fought from behind intrenchments hastily erected, but of value against less-organized troops, successfully resisted the assault of the British, and with a loss to the latter of 1,054 killed and wounded. But these same troops, by virtue not of superior individual courage, but of their combined order and discipline, were rallied by their well-trained officers, made a third charge, and, although outnumbered, succeeded in driving the British back to the point of the bayonet, from their trenches, their supply of powder being exhausted and their muskets not having bayoneted.

The American force was justly proud of its resistance and of the heavy punishment it had inflicted, but the result was a bitter lesson. At the point of a defeat to its arms - perhaps only through failure in the quartermaster's department - the British, after carrying the hill on account of the better control of their officers, and because their supply of ammunition was not exhausted. And they thereby prevented the success of the colonial military plan.

Continental Weakness. This history various ways was many times repeated in the war of the revolution, always with the same result. In spite of the brilliant generalship of Washington, Greene, Schuyler, Lee and others, the Americans did not win a single victory over the British regular troops when the latter were not outnumbered.

A brief examination of the powers of the Continental Congress will show what were the chief causes of this weakness in our armies that led so near to the collapse of our national defense and caused the intense anxiety and distress to Washington and the

being, as was proved eventually, that victory for the colonies could be won only by the long-term organized and disciplined continentals, composing "a small but good army."

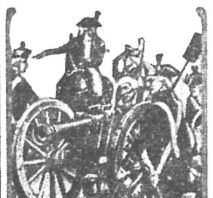
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In a private letter of the same time he wrote: "Such a dearth of public spirit, such stock jobbing and diffidence in all the low arts to obtain advantages in this great change of military arrangement, I pray God's mercy I may never see again. What will be the end of these maneuvers is beyond my scan. I tremble at the prospect. We have been until this time united."

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IDEAL LOVE MATCH

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New Strength for Lame Backs and Worn-out Conditions

Dear Mr. Editor: I suffered from lame back and tired, worn-out feeling. Was unable to stand erect and scarcely able to get around. Would usually get up on my feet with a cry of "My back!" I took Anuric Tablets and my back commenced to get better. I did not have to walk doubled over as I did before using the "Anuric." It is the best remedy I have ever taken for what it is intended to relieve.

NOTE - When your kidneys get sluggish and clog, you suffer from backache, sick-headache, dizzy spells, or the twinges and pains of rheumatism, rheumatoid and gout. "Anuric" is the most powerful agent in dissolving uric acid, as hot water melts sugar. Ask the druggist for "Anuric," put up by Dr. Pierce, in 50-cent packages.

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is a true friend to women in times of trial and at times of pain when the organs are not performing their functions. For headache, backache, bloatedness, neuralgic conditions, bearing-down sensations, mental depression, dizziness, fainting spells, women should never fail to take this tried and true woman's medicine.

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FROM GIRLHOOD TO OLD AGE WOMEN ARE HELPED

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Some snow storm this morning. How many valentines did you get? Soon bedtime to open up the sugar camps.

Washington's birthday anniversary Tuesday.

And this is the night of the big K. of P. banquet.

Woodrow has tossed his hat into the ring for another term.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Chester T. Carr, Feb. 17, 1913, a son.

Ohio was admitted into the union 113 years ago today (Saturday).

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Trauer, Sunday, Feb. 6, a daughter.

For Sale—Good sized Durham cow to be fresh soon. E. E. Rogers.

U. W. Rank, Auctioneer. A trial is solicited. Write or phone Bough-tonville, Ohio.

Dyes for colors may be scarce but black and blue eyes are still obtainable on this day.

The new residence being erected by Mrs. Mary Ames on Broadway is well along toward completion.

You must not forget the concert at the Lutheran church next Friday evening, Feb. 25. See next week's issue for the program.

See the Economy Incubator on our sales' window. 100-egg capacity, \$10.00. 150-egg capacity, \$15.00. Ralston Hdw. & Imp. Store.

For Sale—Stewart Little Wonder Shearing Machine, with full repair. For price and particulars call on Chas. G. Baker, Plymouth street.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the U. E. church, will hold their monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Brown, Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 23.

Bent Christner and his family are moving this week to the Guthrie farm in the vicinity of Shiloh, where he will be on the job early and late in the coming summer.

A woman is as funny. She will still little Willie's pants with a hair brush because she caught him in a fib and then tell her maid to inform the unwelcome caller that she is not at home.

Found—Saturday morning in the gas office, a purse containing a small sum of money. If the owner can be same by calling on John Smith and giving a description of the purse and contents.

Lost—Wednesday evening, open face, gold, 16-jewel Illinois watch with job attached, bearing the initials "N" on the fob as well as a small stirrup. Liberal reward if finder will return same to this office.

You are kindly requested to see our four nicely furnished rooms for rent. The improvements at our store. Everybody is perfectly welcome at any time.

Ralston Hdw. & Imp. Co.

Alex Bachrach, Jr., had his first experience as a driver down Sandusky street Wednesday, and notwithstanding his youthful age, 2 years, was able to give his father a few pointers in this line of work and demonstrated he was an apt pupil.

While arranging some boxes at his place of business Saturday morning, Lewis Gebert fell into an open cellar way and landed at the bottom in a damaged heap, resulting in the loss of several inches of cuticle and numerous black and blue spots.

When you walk along a slippery walk, such as we had the first of the week, and come to one clean and clear of ice, it causes one to involuntarily bless the lot owner as a progressive citizen. There is a moral to this tale—right out on the front walk.

Staubenville's first week-end since the saloons opened, after two years of a dry regime, was one that will go down in history as one of debauchery. The city jail was filled and a number of drunks and men charged with other offenses had to be taken to the county jail.

Having disposed of his interest in the Ellis farm west of Plymouth to his brother-in-law, Cyrus Kull, Will D. Ellis has purchased the 70-acre Bachrach farm, a part of which lies on the western outskirts of Plymouth and expects to make some extensive improvements thereon.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Presbytery church will hold a business meeting in the church parlor, Thursday afternoon, Feb. 24, at 2 o'clock for the purpose of electing officers and to plan the work of the coming year, also for their annual chicken pie dinner to be held March 15.

Charles McClave will be a candidate for the republican nomination for state representative, to succeed himself. Definite announcement was made of this fact Tuesday from his home town of New London. His friends over the county will be pleased to hear of his decision to take the renomination.

Norwalk was greatly surprised Tuesday to learn of the resignation of Wm. A. D. Beahy after many years has been one of the public schools of that city. A nervous breakdown is attributed as the cause and he will probably be taken to a sanitarium where he had to be taken suddenly ill and was taken in a carriage. Several years ago Mr. Beahy was in poor health and his resignation was expected to be his final illness.

Wonder if old women will ever have the right for old clothes like they have the right for new ones.

Owing to the icy conditions of the walks and streets the first of the week quite a number suffered falls.

For Sale—One second hand Gas Range, good as new, will sell cheap. Ralston Hdw. & Imp. Store.

The young people of the Lutheran church will give their concert on Friday evening, Feb. 25, at 7:30. Only 10 cents.

The Plymouth Gun Club went to Norwalk Tuesday morning where they participated in the fourth league shoot.

Lost—A log chain, between the residence of Clem Hill and the Plymouth elevator, Friday last. Please return to Frank Myers.

The right man with \$1,000 can step into a profitable all the year round business, producing the necessities of life. Write A. W. Grandon, North Fairfield, Ohio.

Monday evening while Mrs. Harry Dick was on her way to a meeting of the Twentieth Century Circle, she slipped and fell on the icy pavement, badly dislocating her right wrist.

The old-fashioned man who used to walk four miles to school every morning now has a son whose car runs around a pool table every night.

Notice—All those having signed the charter for membership in the U. O. M. are requested to pay their fee to Reuben Deister, who has been authorized to receive and receipt for same.

It is claimed that automobiles are as cheap as horses, but not many people who bought old Dobbin a year or two ago find it necessary to swap him off for a 1916 model of horseflesh.

Our aged and venerable farmer friend, William Waite, has been in a serious condition for several days past from a complication of disease, and his friends are much concerned as to the ultimate outcome.

Mrs. Hannah Helfer, who has been seriously ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Frank Reynolds, on Cass Main street, underwent a slight improvement in her condition this morning—Shelby Globe.

John Chronister, a former well known citizen of this place, but who for several years past has been making his home in Mansfield, suffered a stroke of apoplexy the first of the week and his condition is very serious.

The Honey Creek Poultry farm in need of a half dozen or more of either or young cats to combat the pest, and any one having more than they have use for will confer a favor by calling up or leaving cats at the farm.

Chas. A. Griffith, residing 2 miles west of Shiloh, on what is known as the old Downing farm, will hold a public sale at 10 o'clock a. m. on Thursday, Feb. 24, at which he will sell 6 head of horses, 3 head of cattle, hogs, sheep, farm implements, household goods, etc.

At the earnest solicitations of some of Dr. Kester's former patients, Dr. Holtz has consented to treat them for Cancer. Dr. Kester says Dr. Holtz has been treating for Cancer for some forty years ago and he has prepared the remedy and already treated several patients.

The Plymouth Gun Club held their weekly shoot on the local grounds last week Thursday and following were the winners: P. B. Leffland led the field with 123 targets in 125 shots. The scores of the others were H. C. Deek, 114; O. M. O'Toole, 112; Sam Cook, 108; W. G. Bamer, 99.

A Plymouth woman cured her husband by saying out right at night at the clubs and the lodge, by going to the door when he came home and whispering through the key-hole, "Is that you, Willie?" His name was John, and he stays at home nights now, and sleeps with one eye open and a revolver under his pillow.

Unless the Pressing Canning Co. of Norwalk, can secure considerably more acreage for corn and pumpkins this city is very apt to lose that industry, entirely. Farmers have been so reluctant in raising such vegetables as tomatoes, beans, cabbage and peas that the company has given up canning any of those products at the local plant.

To settle the dispute between W. W. Starr and C. W. Harriman and to determine who was really elected mayor of Shelby at a municipal election last fall, it cost the neighboring village \$118.65. Costs in the case were paid to Judge Cummins Wednesday. The largest item was for witnesses, jury and stenographic fees, amounting to \$86.50.

Saturday morning as Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McIntire were on their way to their farm in a spring wagon, and driving across the road between the Shiloh road to the county line, the wheels of their wagon dropped off a crossing into a rut, the front axle wheel contemplating Mrs. and Mr. McIntire out over the dash, with the result that Mrs. McIntire's left arm was broken just above the wrist, and the right arm was caught in the fifth wheel of the wagon and she was fractured. Mr. McIntire escaped with only a few bruises. Had it not been that their horse was gentle and obedient now to the driver, the might have fared far worse.

## Rocking Chairs!

AT SPECIAL

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We carry every thing up-to-date. See us for Victorias and Records.

## Miller's Furniture Store

Furniture Undertaking



Come in and see this new BOWERS ECONOMY HATCHER

WE have arranged for the exclusive sale in this community for this famous Hatcher.

We consider it one of the best, most practical we could offer to our patrons, and extend to you a most cordial invitation to stop in and see it at your first opportunity. Many new features, all interesting, practical and proven, are introduced on this Hatcher. Bowers Economy Hatchers are all metal, light weight, cost little, and require little time and expense to operate profitably. We are glad to show you and tell you all about them.

## Good News for the CONSUMER

TO MAKE OUR

# 25th Big Annual Clearance Sale

a special event, we will offer all our remaining Men's and Boy's Suits and Overcoats, consisting of best known makes, at particularly attractive prices for this occasion.

You cannot afford to miss this opportunity.

# M. Shield & Son

Men and Boy's Outfitters

The Big Store 25 Years the Best

This office is under obligations to the American Jewish Committee, of which Louis Marshall is president, with headquarters at 356 Second Avenue, New York, for a copy of a booklet entitled "The Jews in the European War Zone." The booklet is not intended as a polemic or for partisan purposes, or to arouse prejudice. Its sole purpose is to point to human sympathy and to the conscience of the world in the cause of humanity. It is issued by an organization that is bent on maintaining an attitude of strict neutrality as between the European belligerents.

There will be a Good Roads meeting to consider the matter of a general system of road improvement for Plymouth township, held at the Town Hall in Plymouth, Monday afternoon, Feb. 24th, at 1 o'clock. The county commissioners will be present to deliberate on addresses outlining the policy that they have decided to follow in regard to paving roads in Richland county. County Surveyor Merkel will be present and will explain the Cass Road Law. This will be a booster meeting for better roads in Plymouth township, and every farmer and taxpayer in the township should be present.

## Ralston Hardware Store

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Friday Night

SIGN OF THE BROKEN SHACKLES.

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Drama

Saturday Night

GLADIOLA

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COMEDY

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ONE REEL COMEDY

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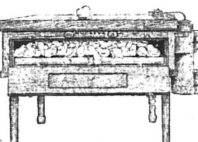

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# MY HEALTH

## Germany is Said to Have Planned to Secure Control in Southern Republics.

### WAR HAS HALTED MOVE FOR THE TIME

**Facts Are in Possession of Senate**  
Reference on Foreign Relations:  
Now Has Base Strategic Value in Dutch West Indies.

Washington, D. C. — Revelations of the German plot to establish a foothold in several republics of the western hemisphere in defiance of the Monroe doctrine, it is learned on unquestioned authority, are in possession of the committee on foreign relations of the United States senate.

**Carefully Guarded.**  
The committee is carefully guarding the evidence because of fear of the effect it might have upon public opinion. So impressed were senators with the possibility of suppressing the information that the motion later last week to debate the Nicaraguan treaty in the open senate, which would have entailed disclosure of the German plans, was defeated by an overwhelming vote.

In deference to the same consideration the proposed Colombian and Haitian treaties will be debated by the senate behind closed doors.

The documents in the possession of the committee, involving matters of the greatest moment to the United States, are said to prove:  
That Germany sought to establish a sphere of influence in Nicaragua by purchase of the interoceanic canal.

That Germany sought to gain a foothold in Colombia by negotiations for an interoceanic canal concession, the purchase of plantations and the establishment of a naval base at Cartagena.

That Germany acted to gain paramount influence in Paraguay by organizing the army.

That Germany sought to gain a foothold in Haiti through control of the customs and the establishment of a naval base at Mole St. Nicholas.

That Germany actually controls the island of St. Thomas in the West Indies by lease from Denmark and has firmly established there a base of great strategic value, particularly because of its proximity to Porto Rico and the Panama canal.

**Keep Plans in Mind.**  
The committee also has documentary evidence indicating that, although the United States has urged the prosecution of these plans, Germany is keeping thoroughly in mind direct resumption of the affairs of the western hemisphere as soon as peace shall be restored.

Because of their bearing upon the preservation of the Monroe doctrine, the German operations are regarded as of the utmost importance and concern to the United States. The question of defending the Monroe doctrine is inseparable from the question of preparing for a possible war which congress is considering.

President Wilson has asserted the United States will continue to back up the Monroe doctrine with force if necessary, and is endeavoring to commit the South and Central American republics to a Pan-American partnership with the United States in maintaining this stand.

## THAT ECCESTRIC MAN KILLED BY TRAMPS

Body Found in Burned Home Cooked to a Crisp, Reported to Keep a Large Sum of Money in House.

Sandusky, O., — Tramps bent on robbery are believed to have murdered William Dilline, aged 55, and fired his dwelling near State Cut, four miles west of Huron, to cover their crime. Dilline's body, burned beyond recognition, was recovered from the ruins.

Dilline an eccentric bachelor, lived alone. For years the idea that he had considerable money was current in the neighborhood. It was also said that he had an aversion to banks and kept his wealth on his person.

"I don't believe it, however, that William ever had very much money on one time," said former County Assessor Gustavus Dilline, the dead man's cousin. "I don't believe he had more than \$10 or \$15 in the house, if he had that."

The charred body indicate William Dilline was fully dressed when he died and not been in bed and that he should have had time to flee the burning building if conscious.

**Handcuffed, Prisoner Escapes.**  
Montgomery, Ala. — Harry East, being brought here from Indiana on a term of imprisonment for burglary, escaped for the fourth time when he first got into the clutches of the law. He was handcuffed and around State Cut. It was also said that he had an aversion to banks and kept his wealth on his person.

East jumped from a moving train near Cornersville, Tenn., taking with him the keys to unlock his handcuffs, the clothes that had been worn by the prisoner, and a revolver which had been in charge, and a revolver and \$170 belonging to the warden.

## Former Senator Elihu Root Attacks Administration in Speech

### AT NEW YORK STATE E. O. P. MEET

**Assets Democrats by Their Foreign Policy and Lack of Foreign Aid.**  
Have Forfeited the Respect of the World.

New York City. — The policies of President Wilson and the Democratic administration toward the international situations arising out of the war and the Mexican disturbances, and as relating to domestic conditions, toward the tariff, were attacked by former United States Senator Elihu Root in his address as temporary chairman of the New York state Republican convention, in assembly here last night.

**Fraught With Vital Consequences.**  
No other presidential election since 1864 has been so fraught with consequences as this national life, which is one approaching, Mr. Root said, and all ordinary considerations which play so great a part in presidential campaigns "and which tend to be dwarfed into insignificance."

He promised that if the Republican party is returned to power the people may expect a foreign policy which will leave "no doubt anywhere in the world of America's purpose and courage to protect and defend her independence, her territory and her rights and just rights of her citizens under the laws of nations, and that the people may expect, also, that "the government will stand full and adequate preparation by the American people for their own defense."

**"Lacking in Foresight."**  
Mr. Root charged the present administration with "the lack of foresight to make timely provision for backing up American diplomacy by actual or assumed military force" with "the forfeiture of the right to demand the assertion of rights by pursuing the policy of making threats and of failing to make them good" and with "a loss of the moral force of the civilized world through failure truly to interpret to the world the spirit of the American democracy in its attitude towards the most far-reaching and important early stages of the war." These, said Mr. Root, were the administration's "three fundamental errors."

## CAUCUS TO ATTEMPT TO FORCE DEFENSE BILLS

**Administration Wants Underwood Tariff Amended So as to Continue the Duty on Sugar.**

Washington, D. C. — The caucus whip is to be cracked about the heads of Democratic members of the house of representatives in a caucus to be held through congress the first of the measures calculated to provide the millions of additional revenue necessary for the proposed army and navy increases.

This became known when it leaked out that a call has been issued by Congressman William A. Ashbrook of Ohio to convene the Democratic house caucus, for a closed meeting of the house majority members for Thursday evening.

Whether the Underwood tariff law shall be so amended as to continue after May 1 the present duty of 1 cent a pound on imported sugar is the issue to be fought out at the caucus. Since the tariff provides for a duty of nearly \$60,000,000 a year, it is understood to be the desire of the president and his administration leaders that it be continued as one of the means for financing the preparedness program.

Scores of Democratic congressmen are vigorously opposed to continuing the tax and insist that it should automatically be abolished, as the Underwood law provides.

**Fire Sweeps Fall River.**  
Fall River, Mass. — Fire which attacked the business district of Fall River within an hour had wiped out the district in its principal commercial section. Dynamite was freely used to block the progress of the fire. Fear was felt that the flames would spread to the mill section.

**Makes Record With Sheep.**  
Gallien, O. — Charles L. Miller, a farmer, believes he has a record as a sheep raiser. He started the new year with 38 ewes, and since Jan. 26, 24 of them have dropped 40 lambs.

**Jersey Stays Wet.**  
Trenton, N. J. — The lower house of the general assembly has defeated the senate local option bill by a vote of 40 to 19.

**Lepers Constituted a Menace.**  
Washington, D. C. — More than 500 lepers are said to be in the United States constitute a menace of serious possibilities, unless proper steps for segregation are taken, in the opinion of physicians, nurses and other experts testified before the senate health committee in support of a bill to establish a national leprosy hospital.

The witnesses agreed that the persons under treatment in the country's three state or municipal leprosy asylums included less than one-third of the total. If those 500 lepers

## Struggle for Positions in Champagne

### Petrogod Reports Failure of All German Attacks Along Riga Front

**Says Serious Outbreaks Occurred Among Germans.**

London, England. — The Germans have broken through the British front on the Ypres salient, in Flanders, capturing from 600 to 800 yards of front line trenches. The shattering of the heretofore impregnable British stronghold followed an exceedingly heavy bombardment by artillery and wrecking of the approaches to the works by mining operations.

The British report, which places the gain at 800 yards of trenches, states that a large part of the British occupants of the trenches were made prisoners. The British commander's report states that but 600 yards of trenches were lost.

**Required Several Assaults.**  
Several German attacks were made before the British line was forced to give way. Heavy bombardment by the artillery of both sides continued.

In Champagne the struggle of the Germans and French to recover ground lost by each east and west of Ette Du Mesnil continues. The fighting is mainly by artillery. Only one attack was reported by the French. This was made by the French against the newly gained German positions northwest of Tahure.

Fighting in Upper Alsace for the positions east of Soppo was limited to artillery engagements. The French batteries heavily shelled the positions captured recently by the Germans.

**German Attacks Fail.**  
Concerning the eastern front an official Petrograd statement reports the failure of all German attacks along the front between the cities of Novitski and Tarnopol. The statement also declares to be retreating all their positions. The statement also asserts that there have been serious outbreaks among the German troops near Vilna, in one of which a lieutenant was killed and numerous officers and soldiers after court-martialed.

On the Italian theater a Paris Temps dispatch from Ancona says "News from the hostile lines is that the Germans are directing the construction of a railway from Dukup to Monastir by way of Plovanje and that the line is nearly completed. Field Marshal Von Mackensen has been retreating the Hungarian troops at Uskup."

Several air raids have rained Monza, 10 miles to the northeast, one person being killed and five injured. Airmen who appeared over Brescia were driven away by anti-aircraft guns on Milan railways and factories were shelled.

On the Caucasian front Turkey reports that serious actions of day-crested aircraft the last few days. Two Russian aeroplanes damaged by Ottoman fire were forced to land, it is claimed.

**On the Iraq front, near Kurna, the enemy fled, leaving behind his camp necessities and 500 dead, say the Turks. A small British detachment was engaged in a night battle and was totally destroyed.**

## GAS EXPLOSION IN MINE ENTOMBS MEN

**One Taken Out Dead, Three Seriously Injured and a Score Shot in Working to Release Men.**

Indiana, Pa. — One man was killed, three seriously injured and a score of men entombed by a gas explosion in mine No. 2 of the Jefferson & Clearfield Coal & Iron Co. at Ernest, six miles from here.

One hundred volunteers, including miners from various parts of the county, have entered the mine and are working in relays in an effort to reach the entombed men. The rescue party was brought to the surface several hours after the explosion. A number were seriously hurt.

Later the body of George Buntor, Jr., 35, mine motorman, was recovered. The injured included W. R. Nond, 42; Mike Garrett, 37; and Tony Wilcox, 38. The condition of Nond was critical.

**Sleeping Sickness Victim Better.**  
New York City, Feb. 12. — For the first time in six months Dr. Albert G. Peabody, the sleeping sickness expert, took a short walk Friday. The patient, who had been confined to bed for more than a year, had been able to take any step at all gives hope of his recovery.

**Ends Life in Corn Field.**  
East Liverpool, O. — Dennis Bunker, Charles Apple, aged 45 years, prominent farmer, shot himself in the head with a shotgun before his daughter, Mrs. Bunker, shot her husband in the corn field on his farm near Lisbon, Ohio. His daughter struggled with him, but Apple pulled the gun from her grasp. She then shot her husband in the forehead across the field to his death.

## SAYS TEUTONS GAVE MONEY TO COUNCIL

### Former Vice President of Peace Body Says No Quit Organization When He Learned That Fact.

Washington, D. C. — W. H. Kramer, former vice president of the Labor National Peace Council, told the house judiciary sub-committee, investigating Representative Buchanan's impeachment charges against United States Attorney Marshall at New York, that the council's funds came from German sources.

He had been connected with the organization several weeks, and resigned. Buchanan and some others connected with the council were indicted soon after the impeachment charges were brought in the house. They are charged with violating the Sherman law, in that they are alleged to have conspired to restrain American trade in munitions.

The hearing, like the others, was secret. One of the committee members, however, said no evidence to prove the charges against Mr. Marshall had been developed so far.

Committee members and Secretary Morrison of the American Federation of Labor are to testify next week. Both previously have repudiated any connection between the council and the federation.

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Improvements in Hawaii. The territory of Hawaii now has in hand reclamation works that will cost about \$300,000...

State to Lease Lands. Bids for the leasing of 1,760 acres of school land in Colerain township, Ross county...

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MAJOR MYSTERIOUS FIRES IN THE STATE

WAVE OF INCENDIARISM SWEEPING OVER OHIO SAYS FIRE MARSHAL.

TRAMPS ARE RESPONSIBLE

Daily Reports of Suspicious Blazes Are Being Made by the State Department.

Western Newspaper Union News Service. Columbus—A wave of incendiarism is sweeping over the state...

"We are having a large number of barn fires in the country districts now," said Chief Clerk Howe. "Most of these fires are started by tramps..."

Blue Sky Law Invalid. From the decision of three United States judges which swept aside every vestige of the Ohio act...

Enforcing Eye Laws. An important meeting was held when the members of the state commission for the blind met with its special advisory committee...

Promoted to Washington Bureau. J. Warren Smith, head of the Columbus weather bureau for 18 years and a professor of meteorology at Ohio State University...

Arbor Day is Proclaimed. April 7 was proclaimed Arbor day by Gov. Willis. He urged that it be observed by encouraging children to plant trees and study bird life...

Wickline Makes Demand. State Senator C. W. Wickline, of Summit county, who has the contract for the new Columbus bridge...

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By LOUISE OLIVER.

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An empty wagon drawn by a team of big brown horses turned the bend in the road, and the driver saw instantly the little blue sign upon the side of the orchard slope gazing across the valley at the big house.

"Hello, Tom!" His heart contracted at the lack of response in her manner. "What's the matter, Janie?"

"Why not? It's one way I make my living. And to me that's the most important thing in the world just now, meaningly."

But she kept her eyes on the house across the valley. If she married Tom, she would have to give up her work at the dairy where she, Janie, would have to buttermilk to them.

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For three years she devoted herself to the hospital. The first summer she had a week at home, but soon was away. The next year she spent her vacation with Katharine in Canada.

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And there was something else she wanted. As she stood in the operating room handing things to one of the assistants he turned and looked at her work. She saw a turn in the road and a team and a wagon and a man.

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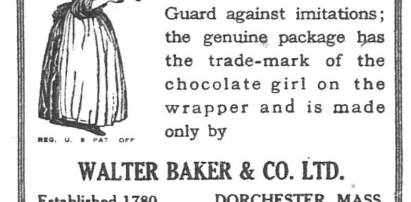
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The richer the soil the more highly fertilized it has been, and the more fully cultivated the acre will be the number of organisms which it contains, and the higher the degree of their vitality. In the soil the presence of these organisms is of practical value to better farming or increased production.

But you may ask: Why lime? Many say they destroy soil acidity, and that is correct, but what occurs after this destruction of soil acidity? The answer is—that bacteria which increase the texture begin to grow and to develop and to take nitrogen from the air and to make it available to the leguminous crops.

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Farm lands that are not needed to alfalfa rest for \$3.00 per acre. Farm lands that are needed to alfalfa rest for \$15.00 per acre. And, Oh! what a difference these crops make upon the profitability of live stock and dairy farms. But in order to do this, what must we do? We must see that lime or limestone is applied to the land after plowing. It can then be worked into the seed bed as you fit your land.

The situation in regard to crop shortage is very alarming, and to those who need this material, and who include nearly all engaged in farming throughout three-fourths of the cultivated area of Ohio, Indiana, Pennsylvania and Michigan, we might say that this is the time to anticipate your wants and to order rather than to wait until the time when the seedling is on. Many have been disappointed in the past, but it seems that all of this trouble can be easily avoided if we just let our wants be known at this time.

The roads are in good condition right now, and labor and teams can be spared from the farms much better than six weeks later. Weather conditions have been so favorable that the alfalfa crops have made greater yields to their capacity, and the result is a good tonnage on hand and ready for the farms. Therefore it is up to the farmer to know the time to order and to build up his soil and to prepare for crop production, which is the important need during these days of scarcity, advancement and greater demand for the products of the farm, which furnish food to those who live and toil.

## AGRICULTURAL LIME AND LIMESTONE INDUSTRY

Lime and limestone products which go to the farmer will be of the highest quality for the money—only for the reason that many thousands of dollars have been expended in new and better equipment at these plants.

The methods of handling this material which goes to regenerate abandoned farms has been entirely changed, and if you are fortunate as to have a plant in your vicinity, visit that plant and see how this material is manufactured. It will be time well expended and you will receive courteous treatment and a source of information which will be of great value to you and to your neighbors.

The usual output of these products goes out to the farmer runs up into millions of dollars per year. There is no industry which has made greater strides. It all goes out for the betterment of our farms.

The importance of lime and limestone to agriculture is such that many counties have requested that farm advisers give it more time and attention. Their first step should be to visit the manufacturer and to see all about the material which they will later on recommend.

## Tried Recipes Furnished by the Members of the Twentieth Century Circle.

Behind the snowy loaf is the mill wheel, behind the mill is the wheat field, on the wheat field rests the sunbeams; above the sun is God.—James Russell Lowell.

**BOSTON BROWN BREAD**  
One cup graham flour, 1 cup corn meal (white preferred), 1 cup flour, 1 cup molasses, 1 cup sour milk, 1 teaspoon soda, raisins, steam three hours. J. T.

**VEAL COLLOPS**  
Cut-veal from the lean part into pieces the size of an oyster, season with pepper and salt, dip in egg, then into cracker crumbs and fry. They look and taste like oysters. C. L. A.

**LUNCHEON DISH**  
Line a buttered mold with cooked rice, fill the center with chopped cold meat, highly seasoned with onion sauce, salt and pepper. Mix with stock or gravy, then cover with mashed potato. Cover the whole dish and steam or bake forty-five minutes. Set mold in pan of hot water. Serve with tomato sauce; 2 tablespoons melted butter, 1 teaspoon salt. M. I. T.

**FILLED-COOKIES**  
Cream together 1 cup sugar and 1/2 cup butter, add 1 egg, 1/2 cup sweet milk, 3/4 cups flour sifted with 1 teaspoon soda and 2 teaspoons cream tartar, favor. Roll thin, cut out as for cookies and put one teaspoon of filling between what would be two cookies and bake. Filling—1/2 cup chopped raisins, 1/2 cup sugar, 1/2 cup water and if liked the juice of one-half a lemon, bring to boil, then stir in 1 tablespoon of flour or cornstarch mixed with a little water. Z. E. S.

**GINGER SQUARES**  
One cup sugar, 1/2 cup shortening (butter or lard), 1/2 cup molasses, 1 cup sour milk, 3 eggs beaten separately, 2 1/2 cups flour, one level tablespoon of ginger, one level-teaspoonful of soda. Cream butter, sugar and ginger together, roll in the yolks, add molasses and milk, sift flour and soda together, and add well beaten white of eggs, bake in large square tin in modern oven, cut in squares and roll in powdered sugar. F. N.

**COTTAGE PUDDING**  
One cup sugar, 1 egg, butter size of an egg, 1 cup cold water, 2 cups flour, 2 teaspoons baking powder, bake like cake. One-half cup raisins or cherries may be added to batter. Dressing—1/2 cup sugar, 1 cup butter, 1 tablespoon oil, 2 cups boiling water, vanilla flavoring or juice from cherries substituted for water. F. N.

**HICKORY NUT MACARONS**  
White of two eggs, beaten stiff, 1/2 cup chopped meats, 1/2 cups confectioners sugar, 1 teaspoonful vanilla, grease your pan with lard and roll in hickory nuts. 1 teaspoonful of the batter on pan about an inch apart until the pan is filled and bake in a moderate oven. H. J. R.

**BANANA FLUFF**  
Six bananas, 1 cup cream, 2 tablespoons sugar. Put bananas through ricer, beat sugar into the pulp, also juice of 1 lemon, then add the cream and mix well. Bake in small squares and serve in frappe glasses. L. W. V.

**APPLE SNOW**  
One large apple grated, one cup sugar, white of one egg. Beat cream until very stiff, add apple and turn into dish and cover with standard made as for float. C. L. A.

**ONE EGG CAKE**  
One-half cup butter, 2 cup granulated sugar, 1/4 cup flour, 1 cup milk, 1 egg, 1/2 teaspoon baking powder. Flavor with vanilla, sprinkle over cake chopped English walnuts, dust with powdered sugar and bake in moderate oven 25 minutes. A. W.

The two great divisions of food are carbonaceous or flesh forming and nitrogenous or heat giving. We need to eat foods having both elements and vary them to suit the season.

### Mrs. Rininger Loses in Suit for \$300,000.

A verdict for the defendant was yesterday returned in the federal court in the \$300,000 damage suit brought by Mrs. Nellie M. Rininger and her daughter, Dorothy Rininger, against the Puget Sound railroad, which was an action to recover for the death of Dr. E. M. Rininger in an automobile accident at the Riverton crossing on July 25, 1912. The jury deliberated on the case from 6 o'clock Wednesday evening until 11 o'clock Thursday morning.

It was the second trial of the case, having been taken from the jury on the first trial at the close of the plaintiff's case on the ground that the evidence, in the opinion of Judge F. E. Fishman, did not warrant its submission to a jury. On an appeal to the United States circuit court the case was ordered remanded to the district court by that tribunal for a new trial. In the second as in the former trial the Puget Sound traction, Light & Power Company was eliminated as a co-defendant. It is probable the case will again be appealed.—Seattle News.

**Hint Loss of a Camel.**  
A camel's hind legs will never hold, round its chesting on its hump.

## Methodist Notes.

Evangelistic meetings two weeks preceding Easter! Such is the announcement of pastor and official board. An evangelist well known by the pastor, has promised to be with us. Seven weeks is none too long a time for preparation.

The quarterly conference will be held promptly at seven o'clock on Monday evening. Reports from presidents of all organizations will be expected. In conjunction with this meeting will be held the second general church social. All friends of the church, strangers in the community are invited. A literary and musical program, refreshments, etc., will occupy the time. Remember, the Washington Birthday a year ago and come.

Five regular meeting of the Standard Bearers was held at the parsonage on Monday evening of this week with Nina Cross and Ruth Kenestrick hostesses. Hazel Holcroft presented the study for the evening. Twenty-one were present. Miss Bryan, assistant principal of the high school, was present on invitation and fascinatingly spoke on the subject of Life in Japan, to the great benefit and delight of the girls.

## REPUBLIC Still Holds the Record For Widows and Old Maids.

A special in a recent issue of the Toledo News-Beef regarding the village of Waynesfield, O., in the eastern part of Aughize county says the women of that village are insistent that if matters continue as they have been going the last year, the name should be changed to Widowedfield. Its population is 650. Of the 163 homes in the village, 40 are owned and occupied by widows, most of whom are farmers' wives who have moved to town after the death of their husbands.

Waynesfield, however, isn't it at all with Republic, even in Seneca county, which we believe holds all records in this respect, both state and national. Republic according to the best federal census had a population of 475 and a careful estimate shows that at present there are residing within the village 47 widows, 15 widowers, 14 maiden ladies and 10 bachelors. If any village can be that record we would like to hear from them.

## GAS WELLS Require Artificial Means.

Within a few years, probably not to exceed three, natural gas companies will be unable to furnish industrial plants with gas without endangering the domestic supply. In the opinion of Chas. V. Critchfield, gas expert of the state public utilities commission, who has returned after spending ten days in the west of Virginia field studying the causes of the recent gas shortage in Cleveland.

Proof of the depleted store of natural gas in the west of Virginia, he says, in the continued installation of compressor stations, until now nearly a sure sign in operation helping force the gas out of the wells and into the mains. In the early days the wells supplied the gas without artificial pressure. Now the company must use enormous artificial means for getting it out of the wells in the quantity required by their customers. In case of wells that a cold wave is coming the men are sent out to turn on the wells and give the extra supply gas stored up in a previous period of rest. If the word of the cold wave comes in time the pipes are filled and the gas supply is adequate, but if the time is too short the wells are not put on in time. Some of the men have their trips of a dozen miles over the mountains to get to the wells under their direction and get them all going.

The decrease in the pressure of the gas from the wells is shown by the records of the leaks on the supply pipes at the great gathering station in West Virginia, as well as by the installation of the compressors to stimulate the supply. The 2,000 wells are so widely scattered over the mountains and the distances so great for the men to travel that a shortage temporarily might be expected any time by a sudden and unexpected drop in temperature when news of it did not reach the gas fields in time for the men to put on the wells being rested and increase the supply in the pipes.

## For Children's Cough.

You cannot use anything better for your child's cough and cold than Dr. King's New Discovery. It is prepared from the purest ingredients and soothing balsams. It does not contain anything harmful and is slightly laxative, just enough to expel the poisons from the system. Dr. King's New Discovery is antiseptic, kills the cold germs, raises the phlegm, loosens the cough and soothes the irritation. Do not get out of treatment. Coughs and colds often lead to serious lung troubles, bronchitis and other ailments, if neglected. Get a bottle today. All druggists.

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## Presbyterian Church Notes.

REV. J. W. HELMUTH, PASTOR  
9:30 Sunday School  
10:30 Preaching Service.  
6:30 Christian Endeavor.  
7:00 Franchising Service.  
Prayer and praise meeting Thursday evening at 7:00 o'clock.

## Lutheran Church.

REV. G. C. SMITH, PASTOR.  
Sunday School, 9:30 a. m.  
Morning Service, 10:30 a. m.  
Young Peoples' Meeting, 6 p. m.  
Mid-week Prayer Service, Thursday, 7 p. m.  
Everyone will find a cordial welcome at this church.

## M. B. Churches.

REV. C. F. MOTT, PASTOR.  
9:30 a. m. Sabbath School.  
Morning Worship at 10:30  
Evening Worship, at 7:00  
6:30 p. m. Epworth League.  
Prayermeeting Thursday evening at 7:00 o'clock.  
Church services Friday at 7 p. m.  
A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend all services.

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Preaching, 1:30 p. m.  
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