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## Bulk of A. H. Miller Estate Will to Wife; Son Also Beneficiary

All of Estate to Go to Son After Mrs. Miller's Death; Office Assistant Rewarded. C. R. Hill Named Executor.

A. H. Miller, prominent real estate owner and insurance man, who died on Thanksgiving Day left a will in which he gives the bulk of his estate to his widow, Mrs. Nannie Miller. At her death or remarriage that portion of the estate remaining shall go in fee simple to his son Grover Cleveland Miller.

The will which was made Nov. 10th 1925, provides for the payment of all just debts. His executor is asked to have a suitable monument erected over his grave within a year after death.

To his wife he leaves all household goods, stocks, bonds, money in bank and all other personal property, without any exceptions whatsoever.

The one fifth share which he owns in the Sullivan Grain company which operates the elevators in the East End of this city and at Bruce, he sells to his four partners for \$1,500 under certain stipulations named in a bill of sale which he executed some time before his death.

To Mayme G. Alexander who for twenty years worked for him in his insurance business known as the A. H. Miller Insurance Company, he conveys by bill of sale, a one-half interest in that company. The other half of the business is willed to his wife Mrs. Nannie Miller.

To his wife he also willed the following real estate to have and to hold during her life time and to enjoy all rents and profits that may be realized therefrom:

The southwest quarter of Block 3 of Freeland's 3rd addition to Sullivan, known as 1310 Blackwood street, the family home.

The residence property North of it, described as the North half of the Northwest quarter of Block 3 of Freeland's 3rd addition, known as 1510 Main street.

Lot 7 in block 1 in Meeker and Duncan's add. to Sullivan, located at the corner of Magill and Camfield streets.

Lots 1 and 2 in block 4 of Patterson, Snyder & Co. 2nd add. to Sullivan, known as 409 Main street.

The Northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of the North half of the southeast quarter and the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter all in section 11, township 12, range 5 East and containing 160 acres.

Two of these residence properties have been sold under a time payment plan and Mrs. Miller is authorized to execute deed when payment therefor is completed under terms of sale.

She is to enjoy all of the proceeds from the aforementioned real estate during her natural life or until her re-marriage after which it goes in fee simple to the son Grover Cleveland Miller.

To the son he wills the following real estate: The Southeast quarter of block 3 of Freeland's 3rd add. to Sullivan, being the present residence of the son; also lots 2, 3, 6, 7, 8 in block 21 of Campfield's railroad addition to Sullivan, at 2005 Adams street.

The will names C. R. Hill, cashier of the First National Bank as executor. In case Mr. Hill should for some reason be unable to serve in that capacity, W. H. Birch is to serve.

The signing of the will was witnessed by Chester Horn, G. R. Fleming and J. L. McLaughlin.

## ARE YOU BUYING CANDY FOR A BIG XMAS TREAT?

If you are, we want to figure with you. We have a big stock of best quality candies on which we can make you a very low price, mixed candies 20c per lb. and up.

Meeker's Candy Kitchen.

## HOUSEHOLD SCIENCE CLUB CHRISTMAS MEETING

The Sullivan Township Household Science club will meet with Mrs. H. C. Shirey, Tuesday, December 15th. The meeting will be in the nature of a birthday party and Christmas grab-bag. Gifts are limited in value to 25c each.

## THE DEFOREST RADIO

DeForest always has been in the lead in matters of radio perfection. In quality of reproduction, sensitiveness, volume of reproduction and stability of operation it outranks others in the general class.

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## JUNIOR CLASS PLAY ON DECEMBER 17TH

The S. T. H. S. Junior Class will present its play "All of a Sudden Peggy" at the school auditorium on the night of Thursday, December 17. All members of the cast have been working hard and indications are that the play will be a decided success.

## SULLIVAN TO HAVE COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS TREE AND CELEBRATION

At Monday's meeting of the Friends in Council Club at the home of Mrs. Jessie Miller, plans were discussed and arrangements made for the big community Christmas tree which is to be erected on the Square this year. Mrs. H. C. Shirey was named as chairman of the arrangements committee.

The Community Club will work with the ladies in this matter. It is planned to give a candy treat to the children on the night when the tree is presented and the schools will have choruses to sing antisms.

An interesting program was given at Monday's meeting. Mrs. J. I. Wright and Mrs. Ed C. Brandenburg were voted into membership.

Next Monday's meeting will be at the home of Mrs. H. C. Shirey. A Christmas program consisting of the following numbers will be given:

A group of carols—Club.  
(a) Holy Night.  
(b) Little Town of Bethlehem  
(c) Three Kings of the Orient.  
Reading—Mrs. Elsie McFerrin.  
Music—"Tiny Tim's Christmas Cheer"—Dickens.  
Christmas Carol, Mrs. Faun Brown

## COUNTY FARM REPORT SHOWS GOOD CONDITION

At Saturday's meeting of the Board of Supervisors, M. E. Shaw, superintendent at the County Farm, submitted his report. It showed lower expenditures than in previous years and also showed a large quantity of grain and live stock on hand. Among this livestock is a big shipment of hogs ready for market.

The inmates at the home and their ages are as follows:

O. N. Hancock, 67; Charley Han, 45; Bill Han, 50; John W. Oaks, 71; James M. Martin, 76; Garrett Barber, 80; William Jenne, 75; James Selby, 72; Mart Cable, 80; Thomas Bragg, 66; Charlie Fitzpatrick, 60; Thomas Piner, 64; J. F. Franklin, 69; D. O. Wright, 70; Charley Scrivner, 33; Joe Gough, 73; John L. Haden, 62.

## CHRISTIAN CHURCH LADIES AID ELECTED OFFICERS

At a meeting of the Ladies Aid of the Christian church Wednesday afternoon the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President—Fannie Patterson.  
Vice President—Edith Hayden.  
Secretary—Nettie Wiard.  
Treasurer—Angie Wright.

## COMPLETES BRIDGE JOB

Russell Harshman who had the contract for the concrete work on the Spaugh bridge northeast of Allenville which has been reconstructed, has completed his part of the work and the county superintendent of highways reported that same was accepted and the contractor had been paid in full. Considerable grading remains to be done before the road will be opened to traffic.

## CLEVE MILLER HERE

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Miller arrived Saturday morning from Portland, Oregon, having made the trip overland in their car, over the Southern route, a distance of about 3500 miles. After adjusting local business affairs they expect to return to Portland where Mr. Miller has a good position with a life insurance company.

## INFANT DAUGHTER OF MR. AND MRS. J. K. BRAGG DIED IN EAST ST. LOUIS

The remains of Rose Ellen, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John K. Bragg, former residents of this city, but for some years past, residing in East St. Louis, were brought to this city for burial Wednesday. The family accompanied the body which was taken to the Clarence Dixon home until the time of funeral service.

The child died Monday at the age of three months and 8 days. She leaves her parents and two sisters, June Catherine and Nellie Arlena.

Funeral services at the Christian church were conducted by Rev. G. M. Anderson. Burial was in Greenhill cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Bragg and Mr. and Mrs. Dixon thank all neighbors and friends for their condolence and assistance in this hour of sorrow.

## SURPRISE BIRTHDAY DINNER-PARTY FOR A. J. BURVILLE

A number of friend took well filled baskets to the home of Rev. A. J. Burville, Monday night, and helped him celebrate his birthday anniversary.

A short program was given during the evening which consisted of recitations and songs.

Misses Mary and Anna Green of Terre Haute, who are visiting at the Burville home, sang "Near My God to Thee" in German.

All guests reported having a good time and upon leaving wished Mr. Burville many more such happy occasions.

## Three Bank Robbers Confess Lake City And Gays Crimes

True Giberson Enters Plea of Guilty; Elmer Walling and Guy Winterowd Confess; all Indicted Monday. To Appear in Court Saturday.

One plea of guilty and two confessions are the latest development in Moultrie county's war on bank robbers.

True Giberson of Mattoon, arrested last week was indicted by the grand jury Monday. Indictments were also returned against Elmer Lee Walling of Mattoon and Guy Winterowd of near Teutopolis, both of whom are in the Moultrie jail. The indictment charges robbery and bond in each case is put at \$7,500.

When the men were arraigned before Judge Sentel at special session of Court Monday evening, Giberson entered a plea of guilty. Judge Sentel will sentence him Saturday, when the other men will also be brought into court to plead.

Walling, who was taken into custody at Mattoon, Friday, has confessed his participation in three bank robberies. He helped rob the Gays bank on January 19th and in September was one of the bunch who robbed the Lake City and Jewett banks. He has gone into detail relative to these robberies and is expected to enter a plea of guilty when arraigned Saturday. He did not plead Monday as he wanted to see his attorney first.

Winterowd who has quite a bad record in Effingham county, also came across later this week and confessed. He is out on bond on some charges against him in his home county. The confession which he had made tallies with the confessions of the other men and prospects are good, that the county will be saved the expense of a trial of his case.

It is stated that nothing that these three men have confessed has any important bearing on the cases of Eddie Munson and Curly Burns, both of whom have already been convicted for participating in the Gays robbery. It is also stated that nothing which would clear these men of the crime has been learned.

Two men, however, Sam Grubb and Fred Chandler who have been indicted in connection with the Lake City robbery will doubtless soon be turned loose.

While circumstantial evidence was piling up against these men in sufficient strength to secure a jury conviction, later developments show that they are innocent of the Lake City affair.

Two men have worked hard on these bank cases. They are Sheriff Ashbrook and a bankers detective named William Court. It was through the abundance of evidence which these two men unearthed that the bank robbers were finally forced to believe that their game was up and to come across with the truth.

Detective Court, who looks like anything but a detective, says that he was always convinced that Grubb and Chandler were not the right men. "Two innocent men were on the way to the penitentiary" is the way he expresses himself. He had worked on the case for a time about six weeks ago, but his doubts were never allayed and he returned and with the Sheriff again took up the matter. The arrests and confessions have resulted.

Sheriff Ashbrook has left no stone unturned in his efforts to land the whole bunch of yeggs which invaded the county and robbed the Gays and Lake City banks. Through persistent efforts, he not only got the men but got the goods on them which will doubtless result in saving the county thousands of dollars for expensive trials and will send the men to the pen on their own confessions and pleas of guilty.

After Walling started talking, he made a clean breast of affairs. He stated that after the Gays robbery, he had charge of the money and pried up a board in the floor of his father's livery stable in Mattoon, and hid the money there for a time.

He, Winterowd, Giberson and a fourth man, not yet in custody, pulled the Lake City affair. He tells of where the robbery was planned, the headquarters for the gang being at Grinnell's Hole, a notorious resort on the river North of Mattoon.

Walling has shown plenty of nerve and foolhardiness since his arrest and release last Spring. He has visited here at times and called at the Sheriff's office for a chat with the officials.

His father is a prominent live stock dealer and livery man of Mattoon.

It is said that Winterowd is the son of parents who stand high in their community.

Giberson is a molder employed at times in Mattoon. Since his arrest and confession here, he has also been implicated in the robbery of a theatre in Mattoon. One of the men who robbed the theatre is in custody in Coles County and in his story he states that Giberson was one of his gang.

Besides Grubb and Chandler, three

other innocent men were arrested for the Lake City robbery, but all were turned loose when they could not be identified by Mrs. Champion who was in the bank when the robbery took place.

## HENRY CUMMINGS INDICTED ON CHARGES OF RAPE; GIVES \$5,000 BOND

Henry Cummings, a young married man of this city, was arrested the early part of the week on a warrant charging him with criminally assaulting Geneva English, 16 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. P. English. The father of the girl had the warrant issued.

The young man was brought into the court of Police Magistrate Lambrecht and was held to the grand jury under \$5,000 bond, furnished by his mother-in-law, Mrs. Mary Beitz.

The Grand Jury in session Monday took up the matter and returned an indictment charging "rape" and Cummings appeared in court Monday night and gave the \$5,000 bond required with Mrs. Beitz as surety.

This indictment is the outcome of rather sensational stories which have been heard around this city for some time past.

It is expected that the case will go to trial some time during the present term of court.

## MANY AMISH HERE FOR HEARING IN WILL CASE OF SAMUEL MILLER ESTATE

The Amish community near Arthur was well represented in court here Thursday when the matter of the current report of Simon Brenneman, administrator of the estate of the late Samuel Miller was brought up for decision before Judge Grider in the County Court.

Mr. Brenneman in his report asked for permission to make partial distribution of the estate. To this action many of the legal heirs objected.

Particular objection was made to paying bequests of \$2,500 to eight of the stepchildren of the deceased. It is contended that some of these bequests were paid during the lifetime of the testator.

It is stated that this matter was up for decision before Council of Elders of the Amish church, but the verdict did not meet the approval of the heirs so the case was taken to the civil courts.

No decision had been reached at time of going to press.

## CITY COUNCIL HELD LONG SESSION MONDAY NIGHT

The city council held a long session Monday night at which time ordinances pertaining to the water bond were read and passed. The ordinance in question was one prepared by Attorney Kraft of Chicago and its passage was necessary to validate the water certificates which have been authorized by the council. The contractor's bond was presented and approved.

Various other routine matters were taken up and disposed of in the usual manner.

## EUREKA VACUUM CLEANERS

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## O. E. S. INSTALLATION

On Tuesday evening, December 15th, the newly elected officers of Crystal Chapter No. 39 O. E. S. will be held, all members being urged to attend. The officers to be installed are; Worthy Matron, Mrs. Eva Dunscomb; Worthy Patron, J. W. Finley, Associate Matron, Mrs. Rose Lewis; Conductor, Mrs. Florence Sabin; Associate Conductress, Mrs. Kitty Craig; secretary, Mrs. Lena Forrester; Treasurer, Mrs. Mae Rose.

## THE IDEAL CHRISTMAS GIFT

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## WATER CONTRACTOR'S MATERIAL AND TOOLS HAVE STARTED ARRIVING

Material to be used by the Layne & Bowler Company in the construction of Sullivan's new water supply system have started arriving and work on the wells is expected to begin in the very near future.

At Monday night's meeting of the City Council the contractor's surety bond in the sum of \$100,000 was presented and approved.

All preliminaries necessary have now been completed and the city's interests are safe guarded in every way.

## MCCUSKER GROCERY

Satsuma Oranges. Pomgranates. Nuts. Lettuce. Celery. American Lady Canned Goods. Ask for our specials. Christmas Trees etc. Feeds, Work Clothes, Country Butter. King's Sorghum.

## Will Place World War Memorial Tablet In Honor of Veterans

Supervisors Act Favorably on Request Made in Behalf of Boys Who Were in Service. Other Business Transacted in Two-day Session.

The Board of Supervisors at its special meeting Saturday was unable to complete all of its business and adjourned to Monday when another session was held.

One of the matters which the Board considered was that of placing a bronze tablet with the names of all Moultrie county boys who served in the World War, some place in the Court House.

Attorney Elliott Billman appeared as spokesman for the American Legion and the veterans. After thorough discussion, a committee was named to get prices on this work and the committee was given power to act.

The county has ample funds to take care of this matter. Earl Kinzel, a World War veteran, who died shortly after the close of the war, willed the county a tract of land which was later sold. The amount realized was over \$7,000 and some of this money may be used to buy and place this memorial tablet, which will in years to come, prove a matter of great historical interest.

The committee named to attend to this matter consists of A. M. Blythe, Earl Casteel and Emery Foster.

In line with the same matter, a committee consisting of J. L. Mayes and O. C. Hoskins was named to see whether or not the grave of Earl Kinzel was being properly cared for.

Dr. J. A. Lucas of this city was an applicant for the position of county physician and was re-appointed.

A blind pension was granted to Frank Schoonover.

The reports of the various county officials were received and passed upon. The new system of bookkeeping was also investigated and found working satisfactorily.

Application made by Mr. Drennan for re-employment as county auditor was not accepted at this time.

The matter of donating \$75 to the Moultrie County Poultry and Pet Stock Association was brought up and on motion this amount was donated to be used for premiums or expense of holding the annual show. C. W. Tichenor and Will Bland appeared before the Board to solicit this donation.

The Farmers Institute was given \$100 for a similar purpose.

Permission was granted the Friends in Council Club and the Sullivan Community Club to erect a Christmas tree on the Court House lawn.

It was voted to have the County Farm join the Moultrie County Farm Bureau for a two year term and the clerk was instructed to look after the financial end of such membership dues.

Mrs. Nettie L. Roughton, county superintendent of schools, was given \$50 to use in the institute fund to help defray the expenses of the January Teachers' institute.

## DOROTHY BATMAN BRIDE OF ATHLETIC DIRECTOR IN CLAYTON, MO. HIGH SCHOOL

Miss Dorothy Batman of this city and Ray B. Singer of St. Louis, were united in marriage Saturday at high noon at the home of Mrs. Sarah Dawdy in this city. Forty guests witnessed the ceremony. Rev. G. M. Anderson of the Christian church, read the double ring ceremony.

A wedding dinner was served by the bride's aunt, Mrs. Sarah Dawdy, assisted by her two grandsons, Charles and Vern Kellar; also the bride's sister, Mrs. Goldie Martin. Miss Batman has made her home with her aunt, Mrs. Dawdy, since childhood.

The bride wore a white georgette beaded dress with a full length tulle veil. She carried a shower bouquet of roses and sweet peas. The maid of honor, Miss Ruth Chase, wore pink georgette and a pink picture hat and carried a corsage of pink sweet peas.

Thomas Campbell, Jr., of Cham- paign, acted as best man. Victor Batman, brother of the bride, gave her away.

After a short motor trip the couple will be at home at 555 Melville avenue, University City, Mo.

Mr. Singer has a position as athletic director in the Clayton high school, having graduated from the University of Illinois, class of 1922. He was a member of the Tribe of Illini and served as captain of the team in 1922-23.

The bride attended the James Millikin university for a year and spent four years at the University of Illinois. The last two years she was secretary of the Women's Physical education department at the University of Illinois.

Otto Hawbaker has installed a bowling alley in the building at the Southwest corner of the Square, formerly occupied as a poolroom.

## Basketball Season Opens With Arthur Double Header Tonight

Sullivan Boys Lost First Game to Atwood Last Week; Coach Sterling Has Good Material, Subject to Improvement. Atwood Had Old Team.

Tonight (Friday) will be a big night for the Sullivan basket ball fans. The season opens at the T. H. S. gym with a double header. Arthur is coming down with two teams. The second team will play the local boys in a certain raider and then the first team will clash in the main game of the evening.

The Sullivan boys are anxious to redeem themselves after getting a drubbing of 27 to 8 at the hands of Atwood at that place last week.

Although the Sullivan boys lost this, the first game of the season, they showed plenty of pep. The Atwood boys played a regular Atwood-style game with Bandy and Quick starring. Four of Atwood's players are men from last year's winning team. Bandy of Hammond, the star performer is a new man on the Atwood team. Quick was high score man with Bandy second.

Hoskins for Sullivan, played a very good game at back guard. He could show improvement in passing out from under the basket. Campbell played a good game at forward but still has some "green" spots. "Tom" Purvis played a fair center game, but there's plenty of room for improvement, especially in basket shooting.

Carleton Purvis played a good game at running guard. Collie was slow in getting rid of the ball and will have to improve on passing before he can lay claim to any stellar honors. Harrington and Roley played a good, snappy game at forward, although they were handicapped by their size.

Close observance of the game showed that our boys were slow in taking chances on shooting. This did not defeat the team but did help to keep the score down.

## Score tells the Tale.

ATWOOD—27	G	F
Quick, F. ....	4	1
Bandy, F. ....	4	0
Wilkerson, F. ....	2	0
Grieves, F. ....	0	0
Stephenson, C. ....	1	0
Evans, C. ....	1	0
Strapp, C. ....	0	0
Jay, G. ....	0	0
Radall, F. ....	0	0
Vermillion, F. ....	0	0
Pierson, G. ....	1	0

Totals .....	13	1
SULLIVAN—8	G	F
Ledbetter, F. ....	0	0
Campbell, F. ....	1	1
Baker, F. ....	0	0
Roley, F. ....	0	0
K. Purvis, C. ....	1	3
C. Purvis, Capt. ....	0	0
Hoskins, G. ....	0	0
Harrington, G. ....	0	0
Yarnell, G. ....	0	0
Totals .....	2	4

—You will find a big assortment of toys, dolls, story books, Bibles, music, silverware, china and notions of all kinds at Brown's Gift Shop. 50-2

## MRS. PEARL CROWDER HEADS DAUGHTERS OF VETERANS

At the meeting of Mary H. Evans Tent 58, Daughters of Veterans, in regular session Tuesday night the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President—Pearl Crowder.  
Sr. Vice President—Ella Richardson.

Jr. Vice President—Clara Jordan.  
Chaplain—Myrtle Stain.  
Treasurer—Nannie Birch.  
Patriotic instructor—Edith Crockett.

Council (1)—Florence Sabin.  
Council (2)—Eunice Worsham.  
Council (3)—Adilla Burns.  
Press correspondent—Gertrude Kinsel.

On Thursday night a special meeting was held at which time Mrs. Clara Drake of Aurora, Department Inspector was here. In honor of this official and Mrs. Adilla Burns, the outgoing president a six o'clock dinner was given by the Daughters.

## COMMUNITY CLUB MEETS MONDAY NIGHT

The regular monthly meeting of the Community Club will be held Monday night in the Masonic Dining Hall. The supper will be served by the Loyal Daughters class of the Christian church.

N. L. Rogers of Decatur, who bought the Sullivan water bonds, will address the meeting. Several committees also have reports to make.

At this meeting the annual election of officers will be held.

—When doing your Christmas shopping stop in at Brown's Store where you will find many articles suitable for gifts. 50-2

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## SEE SULLIVAN SUCCEED

### THE STORY OF A CITY

Once upon a time there was a city. In that city lived about 2500 people. It had the usual quota of schools, churches, stores, garages, banks, lodges, etc. It was surrounded by a good farming community.

Judging by all of these things, that city should have been prosperous. But it was not.

The people themselves were to blame for they did not treat their city fairly. While they thought it was a good place to live, yet they preferred to take their money to nearby big cities to buy there the things they could have bought in their home city.

The home-town merchants could supply the same quality goods, often at even lower prices. The lure of the big city, the bright lights and the glitter of the big stores, was what drew the trade away. Sad to relate, even some of the merchants and their families succumbed to the lure and became addicted to the vice of big-town shopping.

As a general rule, however, the home-town merchants were faithful to their community. They gave liberally for the support of those activities which helped to make that city a good place to live. They bought the tickets which made school athletics and lyceum courses possible. They paid a great part of the taxes which were needed for the operation of the schools and other civic improvements. They planned always to make their city an attractive community in which to live.

The merchants of the bigger cities did none of these things for the small city. They paid none of its taxes; they donated nothing to any of its community affairs; they gave nothing for the upkeep of its churches, its parks or its schools. In fact these big-town merchants had no interest whatever in the smaller city except to get what money they could out of the people whom they could induce to buy from them.

That condition of affairs naturally hurt the merchants of that small city and indirectly it hurt all the people who lived in that community.

Property owners who insisted on doing their shopping out of town helped to lower the value of their

own property. Merchants who did this simply were aiding in killing off their own prosperity. They were spending their money where there was never any chance of its returning to them through the ordinary channels of trade.

All of these out of town shoppers were not only unfair to their home city, but they seemed even blinded to their own interests. Instead of helping their community, they were undermining its chances for a prosperous future. Instead of trading with the home merchants, they were carrying their money out of town.

Strange to say, they were always ready to stand up in public to boost for their home city, but by their actions they showed that their boosts were nothing more than merely so much hot air. The best booster for the home-town is the party who does his buying there.

#### Moral.

The folks who earn money in their home town and then take it to neighboring cities and spend it there are like hens who get their food in your feed lot and roost in your hen house, but go and lay their eggs in your neighbors' nests.

## This Week



By Arthur Brisbane

### EXPORTING POWER BOOTLEG. WHY DID I EAT TOO MUCH. SOLITARY CONFINEMENT.

The Scandinavians run a cable under the water, ship and sell power to Denmark.

There's a hint for New England, especially for Maine, which intelligently plans to harness the great tides in the Bay of Fundy. The Maine export about which we know most is seed potatoes—excellent potatoes. This writer has bought many a carload.

The "power crop" of Maine should bring to the State millions of dollars every month, without the inconvenience of fighting potato bugs.

Nothing comes suddenly. It took a long time and several revolutions for the humble bourgeoisie to take power from kings, nobles and clergy, thus increasing a thousandfold the number of those with a share in life's good things. And the merchants, the "money men" did not gain power except as they learned how to use it.

The next step along the path of democracy will be another increase in the number of earth's children that share its property. That step will be taken when the great crowd learns how to rule itself and finds competent leaders that won't betray it.

If our men of power have any intelligence, the change will come a long time hence, and as peacefully as an election in a golf club.

The trouble is that our "big" men take themselves too seriously, attaching to their bank balances more importance than to historical precedent and the rights of others.

Frank Casale, aged forty-five, is arrested for chaining his children to the floor, and flogging them with a heavy rope. He beat his wife when she released one of the children, chained down for four-days. Bootleg whiskey.

Mrs. Ferguson, Governor of Texas, takes prohibition seriously. She wonders why they arrest bootleggers who carry two or three pints for sale, but don't arrest bootleggers worth more than \$5,000.

The Lady-Governor has something to learn about American methods. In this country five thousand dollars means protection, five million dollars means immunity.

African savages capture a hippopotamus, eat all their distended stomachs can hold, lie down beside the carcass, sleep, wake, eat more, sleep again and so on.

Some die of ptomaine poisoning as the meat gets bad. The survivors think they have had a good time and give thanks to the pinkosed idol that they happen to worship.

We improve on the hippopotamus eaters, and the Romans with large marble receptacles to which they returned food previously swallowed, that they might swallow more.

But our eating, like our thinking and our ideas of justice, is of an age 1,000 years behind our scientific age. We are nearer to cannibalism than to civilization. Onehalf of the adults do not even know enough to protect their children from the effects of gorging.

New Hampshire revives solitary imprisonment for criminals. For a strong brain solitude is a good thing, if not overdone.

Every man worth while seeks mental solitude, difficult to find in this age.

But for the weak, criminal brain solitude is dangerous, breeds bitter

hatred, leads to insanity. As well prescribe solitary confinement for a cancer patient as for a criminal.

### DID YOU EVER STOP TO THINK

By Edson R. Waite, Secretary, Shawnee, Okla., Board of Commerce. R. E. M. Cowie, President of the American Railway Express Company, says:

THAT within the last few years modern express transportation has helped to change the eating habits of the entire nation.

THAT 100 years ago, 97 people out of every 100 had to till the soil in order to get enough to eat.

THAT no fruits nor vegetables were available during the winter months except potatoes, parsnips and such fruits as could be kept in sod cellars.

THAT scurvy was a frequent disease and undernourishment prevailed both in city and country because of the lack of green foods with their necessary vitamins.

THAT such foods were raised abundantly and rotted in the ground because there were only local outlets. There were no shipping facilities; distant markets were unattainable.

THAT the invention of the express refrigerator car after the pattern of the kitchen ice box, and the perfection of artificial ice manufacture transformed the food problem from a local issue to the dignity of a national industry.

THAT now there is no period of the year when you cannot have strawberries and cream, fresh lettuce or romaine, spinach or string beans, grapefruit or oranges.

THAT in New York City alone there are more than 50,000 stores, not including restaurants where its 7,000,000 people can buy food.

THAT they keep healthy and well by eating fresh fruit and green vegetables, which a few days before were baking in the sunshine of a Florida farm, a Texas field or a California ranch, and they think their grandfathers enjoyed the same privilege.

It is possible that when the final economic history of this century is written, the Miraculous changes

brought about by rapid transportation upon American customs and health will be considered the outstanding advancement of the age. Copyright 1925.

### SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH OR PLYMOUTH BRETHREN

A. J. Burville, Pastor. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. Preaching at 10:45 a. m. Preaching at Masonic Home in Afternoon at 2:30. The young folks will help to entertain the old folks at the Home.

Christian Endeavor on Sunday night at 6:30 p. m. The subject will be "King Saul". Miss Mary Green will be the leader for the evening.

Please remember the son service at 7:30 p. m. and the gospel sermon at 8 p. m. We had quite a nice little crowd out on Sunday night. Two boys accepted the Christ as their own and personal saviors. In other words were saved.

The meeting last Lord's Day night was deeply spiritual. Prayer meeting on Wednesday night at Mr. Derby Belt's, 1102 Water street. Bible class at the home 618 Grant street.

The meetings in the week will be at 7:30 p. m. All are invited.

### THREE MEN ON JOB

After an absence of about a year Edgar Coe is back at his job of blacksmithing at the S. T. Hall shop. Mr. Hall and Joe Taylor are also busy at the same place. Besides the blacksmithing and horseshoeing, wood work will also be done at this place of business.

### FARM LANDS PRICED RIGHT

80 acres and three 160 acre tracts, Moultrie county black corn land, near Sullivan. We can sell you farm lands anywhere in Illinois. Local agency Strauss Bros.

I. W. McCLUNG Sullivan, Ill. N. Side Sq.

Mrs. A. M. Rhodes left Monday for Omaha, Nebraska, accompanying her son Arthur, who came here from that city Saturday to get her. She expects to spend the Winter months in Omaha. Up until recently Mrs. Rhodes visited at New Haven, Indiana

## Mother!

### Clean Child's Bowels

"California Fig Syrup" is Dependable Laxative for Sick Children



Hurry Mother! A teaspoonful of "California Fig Syrup" now will sweeten the stomach and thoroughly clean the little bowels and in a few hours you have a well, playful child again. Even if cross, feverish, bilious, constipated or full of cold, children love its pleasant taste. It never cramps or overacts. Contains no narcotics or soothing drugs. Tell your druggist you want only the genuine "California Fig Syrup" which has directions for babies and children of all ages printed on bottle. Mother, you must say "California." Refuse any imitation.

# For a Merry Christmas CANDIES

Here is where we shine. We buy our Christmas candies in ton lots, direct from the big factories, and consequently you are assured of absolutely fresh goods, as pure and wholesome as it is possible to manufacture them.

We can supply you in any quantity. We have boxed candies in 1 to 8 lb. boxes. We can make very attractive prices on big lots of candies to be used for school, church or Sunday School treats.

### Christmas Trees

We have placed our order for a big shipment. Now if you want a real pretty tree, it's up to you to place your order early.

### HOLIDAY TIME

--- Any Time

This store is headquarters for a complete line of very best staple and fancy groceries. All green groceries in season and some out of season.

We'll be ready to supply you with your oranges and fruits for the Christmas season. Nuts of all kinds—fresh and of highest quality will be found here in abundance.

Phone No. 53

# Give Groceries for Christmas

In line with giving of useful gifts, what could be more acceptable than the giving of a basket of groceries. This may seem a little out of the ordinary, but such gifts would nevertheless be highly appreciated. Canned goods selections, in half dozen or dozen lots would make a delightful present for any friend.

There are many combinations in our big stock of useful merchandise that would make very desirable gifts for the home, for friends, for neighbors and especially so for relatives.

When you think of things good to eat, think of this store for here's where you get them.

# Shirey, Newbould & Hankla Grocery

PHONE NO. 53

NORTH SIDE SQUARE

## When You Get to Florida

### Investigate HAINES CITY

THE foremost of these actualities are four in number: (1) Nature's gift of the superb location; (2) Unexcelled facilities for rail and motor transportation; (3) A rapidly growing group of industries; (4) and a highly competent city management.

\$5,000,000 will be spent on buildings for residential and business purposes during the next six months, according to Mayor Eugene C. Bryan's conservative estimate.

#### An Ideal Place to Live

Haines City is an ideal place to live in, 221 feet above sea level, many lakes and groves within the city limits, offer every opportunity for social, educational, commercial and financial advance.

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# High School Life

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## GENERAL NEWS

### Meeting of Principals and Coaches of Moultrie County.

The principals and coaches from the High Schools in Moultrie county met Thursday for the purpose of deciding whether or not a county tournament will be played. It was decided to have one the last Thursday, Friday and Saturday in January. This will be held at Sullivan.

Windsor was invited into the organization. Bethany will not have a team in the county tournament this year.

### Oratorical and Athletic Association.

A meeting of the principals from the High Schools: Tuscola, Arcola, Lovington, Bement, Atwood, Newman, Villa Grove, Sullivan, Arthur and Oakland, met Saturday afternoon at Tuscola for the purpose of organizing a League. The purpose of this league is to promote oratorical and athletic contests.

Most of the schools have formed a league and where this has been done the school spirit is much better. The League is to be known as the Okav Valley High School Conference. More news concerning this will be published at a later date.

### S. T. H. S. Has a Debating Society.

The Althenae Debating Society was formed for the improvement of high school pupils. The name is derived from the Latin word meaning "good speaking". A student must have earned five honor points at previous report time to be eligible to this society.

The charter members are those people who took part in the discussion Monday, November 23, 1925, the names of the members are as follows: Eloise Harshman, Martha Harkless, Gloyd Rose, Harold Yarnell, Marjorie Bolin, Margaret Harrington, Helen Newbould, Fern Sickafus, Kenneth Johnson, George Sabin, Elta Collins, Herwald Smith, John Niccum and Vera Wooley.

The first meeting was held Tuesday, Dec. 1, at this meeting the constitution which was drawn up by Martha Harkless, Eloise Harshman and Gloyd Rose, was adopted. The following officers were elected:

President—Harold Yarnell.  
 Vice President—Martha Harkless.  
 Secretary—Marjorie Bolin.

The future plan of this society is to have a debate with another school and the eight best speakers will participate. Four will represent the affirmative while the other four will represent the negative.

We are sure that this society will be a great help to the school and to the students belonging to it. The society is under the supervision of Miss Bach.

## ABSENTees

There have been quite a few of our classmates absent from school this week. Some are back now. We are very glad to have those who have returned with us and sincerely hope that those who are still absent because of sickness will return soon.

Those absent this week were: Johnson and Loren Kelly were absent from school Thursday.

Naomi Lee was absent part of last week on account of sickness.

Delbert Reedy was absent part of last week from school.

Orville Seitz is absent from school

because of scarlet fever in his home.

The Sewing and Cooking Club held its regular meeting in the Sewing room Thursday after school.

Mac Grigsby is absent from school this week because of sickness.

## COMING EVENTS FOR DEC.

The following is a list of the coming events for the S. T. H. S.

Dec. 11—Basketball—Arthur here. (double header)—7:30.

Dec. 17—Junior Class play, 8:00 p. m. (High School)

Dec. 18—Basketball—Findlay here

Dec. 23—Aeolian Society play—(given in assembly 1:15)

Dec. 23—Lyceum Course No. 4—8:15.

Dec. 23—Basketball—Lovington, here—7:00.

Dec. 23—Christmas vacation—4:00 p. m.

Don't forget the Junior class play, December 17.

## JOKES

A cousin from New York City was visiting at the Reider home. It was her first experience of country life.

The first evening of her visit she looked on with interest while the cows were being milked.

Wayne: "Would you like to try it?"

She was doubtful. "I think I could start the milk, but I—I'm afraid I couldn't stop it."

Fred C.: "Telling lies is not one of my failings."

Kenneth D.: "No, big boy, it's one of your few successes."

1st Freshie: "Last night I made an awful mistake."

2nd Freshie: "That so? How come?"

1st Freshie: "I drank a bottle of gold paint."

2nd Freshie: "How do you feel now?"

1st Freshie: "Guilty."

Fond Mother: "Yes, Genevieve is studying French and Algebra. Say 'good morning' to the lady in Algebra Genevieve."

Mother (proudly): "This is my son, Lyle, Mrs. Higgins. Isn't he a bright little fellow?"

Lyle B. (accustomed to being shown off in public) "What was that clever thing I said yesterday, Ma?"

Len: "Do you know the Marseillaise?"

Earl R.: "Sure. Marseillaise is the cold, cold ground."

## Consolation, Anyhow.

He: "Dearest, will you marry me?"

She: "John, I can't marry you, but I shall always respect your good taste."

Mr. Sterling: "You're not the kind of boy who puts the work away and runs as soon as the bell rings, are you?"

Albert Pearce: "Oh, no sir. Why sometimes I put my work away and have to wait five minutes for the bell."

## LITERARY SOCIETY NEWS

The Aeolian Literary Society will give the Christmas entertainment before the assembly Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 23. It has been the custom that each society will give a program once a year.

The Aeolian Society will give an operetta first entitled "A Christmas House Party." The cast of characters for the operetta are as follows: Vivian Harsh, Fern Brown, Ruth Winchester, Lucy Moore, Gladys Sickafus, Gloyd Rose, Jack Finley, William Heacock, George Sabin, Martha Harkless, Mary Crane, Valeria Hodge,

Charlotte Duncan and Bernice Lawson.

The Agorian Society met Wednesday after school and appointed Collie Baker to pick out a committee to choose the boys and girls that will sing in the double quartette sometime in December. Mr. Brown, however, announced later that only one number—an instrumental solo—will be given this month. None of the societies have as yet chosen the contestant for this number.

The two societies, Thalian and Agorian, who adopted the two new amendments are progressing nicely.

## MUSICAL NOTES

The orchestra is rehearsing every Tuesday morning at eight o'clock under the direction of Mrs. Roney. A great deal of progress has been made since the opening of school, and this progress will doubtless continue since the students are taking much interest in the work of the orchestra, and reporting regularly and promptly for practice. Several short concerts have been given before the student body and a concert for the public is being planned for next semester.

The orchestra members are as follows: Violins—Harriet Tusler, Jeannette Lande, Carmen Harris, Jennie M. Cummins, Mabeline Lilly, Gerald Cazier, Colleen Conard. Clarinets—William Heacock, Kenneth Lowe, Chas. Kellar and Ruth Davis. Flute—Lois Davis. Cornet—Lloyd Brown, John B. Miller, Vern Kellar and Wallace Richey. Bass Horn—Earl Nighswander. Tuba—William Dedman. Alto Saxophone—Ruth Pifer and Gloyd Rose. Tenor Saxophone—Glen Clark. Soprano Saxophone—Gerald Newbould. Alto Horn—Herwald Smith. Drums—Everett Drew. Piano—Helen Newbould.

## CLASS NOTES

Miss Bach's seventh hour Freshman English class had a very interesting debate. The subject was: "Resolve that Shylock received justice." The affirmative side won the debate.

The fourth hour Freshman English class had a very interesting debate. The subject was: "Resolved that The Plan of Portia's Father was Good." After much discussion the affirmative side won.

Mr. Mills' chemistry class made posters last week. The three best ones were chosen as follows: Lenna Price, first; Herman Martin, second; Jennie M. Cummins, third.

The Junior class play "All of a Sudden Peggy" will be given December 17th.

Herman Martin, last Thursday, gave a class demonstration in chemistry on the manufacture of nitric acid, which is used for making nitroglycerin, dynamite and smokeless powder.

## AGRICULTURE NOTES

It has been announced that there will be a series of meetings at the Sullivan Township High School on Monday evening during the months of January and February, 1926 for the discussions of problems of poultry raising. We want a good attendance at each of these meetings. A large attendance means good meetings and profitable discussions. Every meeting will give John Jones an opportunity to exchange his views and experiences with Tim Kane, and Tim Kane will raise better poultry, perhaps. The meetings are free. They cost you nothing. They may cost the Agriculture teacher several hours of work and study, but he will be able to raise better poultry too. We want you to bring your wife and come out for each discussion. If your wife has the poultry reins then let her bring you. If you have no wife or husband just bring your next door neighbor and come anyway. The Agriculture teacher will not be the only one leading the discussions. Men who are particularly interested in poultry will be mainly responsible. If you do not get a personal invitation to the meeting, please do not feel slighted. We request that you drop the Agriculture teacher, G. H. Ifner, a card accepting this invitation.

You should see the boys in their work of learning to judge corn,

wheat, soybeans, etc. If you have an idea that they do not know how to go about it you should drop into the dining room any hour during the morning. If some of these boys do not win some ribbons at Atwood today it will be due to the fact that they have tried to do too much in two weeks.

Johnson Kelly took time out Thursday. Sickness.

Mr. Dennis and his manual training class have completed the apparatus cabinet in the agricultural office. It is possible to get into the class-room without falling over boxes of soil, apparatus, etc.

## ATHLETIC NOTES

Sullivan was handed a twenty-eight to eight defeat by the Atwood High School team last Friday night. We allow a part of this defeat to the inexperience of most of the boys.

Capt. Purvis netted five of our eight points.

Hoskins gave a good account of himself in the game Friday, although he did not score he was picked by many as the most consistent player on the floor.

James Campbell scored three points at Atwood and if he keeps this up he will prove a help to the red and black quintet.

Ledbetter's, Roley's and Baker's playing was very promising and with more coaching and hard practice they should be in tip-top form.

Carlton Purvis showed his ability on the defense to be in first class condition in the Atwood game.

A. Harrington's appearance on the basketball floor seems to have been very satisfactory to all who attended the game.

Don't forget the Arthur game.

Coach Sterling this week will try to correct the weakness which appeared in the team last Friday night.

The league basketball teams are to be organized this week.

Some very good league teams are expected this year.

Coach Dennis, Coach Sterling's able assistant, is producing a neat Freshman team.

Everyone is invited to attend the Junior Class play in the High School auditorium December 17.

## IN THE TEMPLE ROOM

As Aurora Grey left her ward at the hospital de Memoire to go to her room where she might sleep until noon, she paused a moment before the mail box bearing her name and drew forth a long, slender, yellow envelope. The night's watch had been a nerve-racking one, so without opening the missive, she tossed it upon her little white table, and flinging herself upon the bed, she almost immediately fell asleep. The sun was high in the heavens when Miss Grey, quite refreshed, awoke a few hours later. She stretched her shapely body luxuriously, and then remembering the letter on the table, she rose slowly, crossed the room and taking the envelope in her slim fingers, broke the seal. The message which she withdrew was neatly typewritten and highly scented with hyacinths. The verbal contents were quite surprising to Miss Grey, and also quite flattering:

My dear Mlle. Grey:

Be at Rue Du Marquis 269 at 1 o'clock. Important operation. Secret. Tell no one of plans.

Very truly yours,  
 Zenth Abdulla.

For years had Aurora Grey awaited this opportunity to be the operating nurse with the famous Zenth Abdulla. Abdulla was a Hindoo "doctor" with an unsurpassed knowledge of Eastern herbs which worked seemingly magical cures. Besides this he was so skilled in operations that his accomplishments were almost beyond mortal execution. Among the hospital staff he was held as a demi-god and a divine healer. His every wish and command was obeyed with the most extreme and saintly fidelity.

Miss Grey (she was American but her French friends insisted upon calling her Mademoiselle) consulted her dainty wrist watch—she had scant time within which to reach the number on Rue Du Marquis. After having arranged her hair in a more becoming coiffure and slipping her sport coat over the spotless nursing uniform, she hurriedly left the hospital grounds. It was but a few minutes ride on the cars to her destination. There she had not long to wait before a large motor car silently drew up to the curbing and the ever smiling Zenth Abdulla alighted. Seeing the one whom he sought waiting, he greeted her with a sweeping Oriental bow and motioned for her to enter the awaiting vehicle. As she sank into the depths of the rear seat, the "doctor" re-entered and at a word to the chauffeur, they were moved magically away.

As they were carried past the Arc de Triomphe, the Parisian Faubourg, and across the Seine, out through the parks into the country, the "doctor" and Miss Grey held spirited conversation, but never once did the topic involve the ensuing operation. Indeed the "doctor" seemed purposely to avoid that subject. After, what to Miss Grey, seemed an exceedingly short time in heaven, the car slackened speed and came to a halt before an elaborate country chateau. The two passengers alighted and through an imposing lacework portal entered the mansion.

The hall in which Miss Grey found

herself together with the Hindoo doctor was not unusual except for a few Oriental decorations—but the room into which she was led by Zenth Abdulla, surpassed anything that she had ever seen. She hurriedly estimated that it might occupy one third of the whole mansion. The general appearance of the room was that of a gorgeous Buddhist temple. From the vaulted ceiling apparently composed of myriads of crystals and multicolored gems imbedded in a gilded canopy, hung heavy teak chandeliers, the many lights of which when lit, had the appearance of burning firebrands held firmly in the grasp of bronze skinned pugmies. These little brown men, naked except for loin cloths, seemed ready to hurl their brands down upon the heads of those below. And from the hideously grotesque grins marring their evil countenances they were delighted with the prospect of seeing their unfortunate victims torture by the fire. All along three sides of the room were stone pedestals and upon these were marble heads of Minerva. The walls themselves were painted in the most terrifying and repulsive serpents and mythological monsters. The Aliddin windows were masked. The fourth wall of the chamber seemed to be hung with a rich crimson drape, crest-

ed and embroidered with deep-sea pearls of beautiful luster. Upon an alabaster dais against this fourth wall sat a huge, fantastical throne. A colossal winged dragon with three gruesome heads formed the body of the throne—the great wings and tail arched and twisted about in such a way as to form arm and back rests. Strewn about the room were numerous gilded and carved tables and chairs. No less than nine of the latter were occupied by peaceably sleeping beasts—lion cubs, tigers and an orangutang. Many rainbow hued Persian rugs were scattered in colorful profusion upon the floor of sootily glowing moonstone. In the moments of astonishment following her entrance into the temple-room, Miss Grey had not been conscious of the removal of her wrap nor of the mysterious departure and almost instantaneous reappearance of Abdulla, now clad in the priceless robes of a Hindoo high priest of Buddha.

The scent of hyacinths was strong, almost sickening. Under the fascinating power of the high priest's eyes, Aurora felt her hold upon herself slipping. A droziness seemed to have laid hold on her. This she attributed partly to the heavy incense and summoning all her will power, she turned

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# Merry Christmas Buy Christmas Seals



The Christmas Seal Sale is now here. Great progress has been made each year, mortality statistics indicate a lesser number of deaths from tuberculosis in most every state.

The aim and purpose of the Tuberculosis Association is to educate the people in the simple measures necessary for good health, which means right living, proper food, sanitation and personal hygiene. Much has been accomplished, but we still need more education, more nurses, more free literature, more publicity. The health work must be continued on a larger scale; this can only be done by larger funds.

Seventy-five per cent of this money is used here in our county and the twenty-five per cent goes for the State and the National Association's work.

This year the Christmas Seals are sent to you by mail with a stamped envelope for the return of your donation or the seals if you cannot buy them. We are hoping you will buy all you can this year and help put over a greater and better program for health work this year than ever before.

## MOULTRIE COUNTY TUBERCULOSIS ASSOCIATION

# Closing Out PUBLIC SALE

Having decided to quit farming I will sell at public sale at the Perry Patterson farm, at the southeast edge of the city limits in Sullivan on

## Wednesday, Dec. 16

Commencing at 10:00 a. m., the following described property:

5 — HORSES AND MULES — 5  
 One span mules, 3 and 4 years old, broke, weight, 2,400; one bay horse, 2 years old, a good work horse; one brown horse, smooth mouth; one sorrel mare, smooth mouth; one sorrel mare, smooth mouth.

20 — HEAD OF SHEEP — 20  
 Twenty head of extra good Shropshire black face ewes.

## FARMING IMPLEMENTS

One gang plow, 12 inch, good as new; one disc, 8 ft., good as new; two harrows, two surface cultivators, two shovel cultivators, one 12 inch walking plow, one clod crusher, two sulky plows, one hay rake, one oats seeder, one rack wagon and rack, one wagon, one corn planter, one McCormick mowing machine, three sets of work harness, one set of single harness, one saddle, some collars, and other articles too numerous to mention.

## GOOD DODGE COUPE IN GOOD SHAPE

## HOUSEHOLD GOODS

One base burner, one range stove, one 4-burner oil stove with oven, one kitchen table, one safe, oak library table, oak table, five chairs, one fumed oak buffet, style Louis 16th; one China closet, one hall tree, one grass rug 9x12, one tapestry rug 9x12, one brass bed, one princess dresser, one sanitary cot with mattress, one wood bed with dresser, one half bed with springs, one feather bed, one porch rocker and other articles too numerous to mention.

## TERMS OF SALE

On sums under \$10 cash. On sums over \$10 a credit of six or nine months will be given, purchaser to give note with approved security. No property to be removed until terms of sale are complied with

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**BUMPER 1925 CORN CROP HAS LOWER CASH VALUE THAN SMALL 1924 CROP**

Notwithstanding the size of the 1925 bumper corn crop in Illinois, its cash value to the farmers who produced it is sixty million dollars less than the value of last year's poor crop, if the price which the farmers of the state are actually receiving at country elevators today continue through the season, says a statement of the Illinois Agricultural Association, received by the Farm Adviser of Moultrie County Farm Bureau, which is based upon the findings of its department of grain marketing, Chester C. Davis, director.

The farmers' association points out that November 1 estimates credit Illinois with a corn crop of 394,994,000 bushels for 1925 compared with 293,600,000 bushels in 1924. But the 1924 crop had a farm value of \$278,920,000 at the December 1 price, according to the U. S. Department of Agriculture, while the price which farmers are actually receiving at country places in the state this week would yield a total of only \$217,246,700 if it were all sold.

Farmers who are selling their corn are receiving from fifty to sixty cents a bushel for it, with the bulk of it going at 55 cents or less. Excessive moisture in this year's corn is the factor which is holding the country cash price below contract grade quotations.

Current corn prices fall far short of paying cost of production, and entail a loss of millions to farmers of Illinois if they continue, the Illinois Agricultural Association points out. Actual cost records on a number of farms in Champaign and Piatt counties, in one of the best corn producing districts of Illinois show a corn production cost of 68 cents per bushel for 1924 on farms having an average yield of 44 bushels per acre. These records were kept and compiled under the supervision of the Illinois Agricultural College and Experimental Station.

If a high hog market rules through the season, farmers who sell their corn as their cash crop will be in much worse state than those who feed and market their corn as pork, or who buy corn to feed. Many factors enter into a calculation as to what the trend of corn prices will be this winter. Heavy discounts have ruled on the new corn crop because of excess moisture. Weather that would permit drying before the corn is marketed would help the farm price. Spoiling of cribbed corn is reported from all over the state as a result of the wet weather. Corn demand will be affected favorably if feeders decide to feed longer for heavier hogs.

Farmers of Illinois are not as much interested in deciding to make more credit available to enable them to hold their corn, as they are in some means to handle the surplus that follows a normal crop, so as to prevent it from breaking down prices disastrously. It is not lack of credit so much a sweet corn and inadequate storage facilities that prevents farmers from holding their corn this year. The unfavorable fall, the short carry-over, and the relatively good market for hogs and best grade cattle, all support the farmers' view that he ought to have a better price for corn, but no one can be certain of what the market will do.

**TOO MUCH LAW CAUSES DISRESPECT FOR ALL LAW**

Are the increasing complexities and the multiplicity of legislation taking the awe out of the law? According to Prof. R. E. Baber, formerly of the department of sociology of the University of Illinois, the tendency to make laws to govern the smaller acts of life, such as parking cars, deciding the wave length of

radios and disposal of garbage, all tend to create a feeling that such laws are meddling on the part of the legislators and reformers.

In their alarm over the increasing disrespect for law, and in their efforts to explain it, people often overlook the simplest and perhaps the most inevitable causes. In "the good old days," the law dealt with only a few major "sins of omission and commission" but today it invades every realm of our activities, some of which seem to us extremely personal and perhaps insignificant.

"As we become increasingly urban and must live closer together," Mr. Baber says, "the likelihood of stepping on other people's toes increases. City ordinances will not allow us to populate our back yard with chickens or to beautify it with an ash-pile. We may not wrestle with a saxophone after midnight. As sanitation progresses we cannot have public drinking cups or spit where we please. Our sports are invaded; we break the law if we pull from the brook one trout unless we have a license, and even then we may not keep the trout if he is too inelastic to stretch to a length of seven inches! Shades of Sir Isaac. "The list could be prolonged ad infinitum, it is the price of progress and whether we like it or not we may confidently expect the regulations on our activities to steadily increase."

**WHEN YOU ARE SICK MOST OF THE TIME THE FAULT IS YOURS**

Some of the most sensible editorials which are written on the subject of health, which is the paramount issue with every man, woman and child, come from the virile and trenchant pen of Royal S. Copeland, M. D. This medical doctor is also a United States Senator from the state of New York. He has common sense and calls a spade a spade. He wrote an editorial recently under the heading of "When We Show Ignorance, It is in Joking About Disease, Which is Not a Joke". In this editorial Dr. Copeland said:

"I have long observed how common it is to joke over sickness or bodily infirmity. Of course, there are defects due to accident or to congenital causes. We are not apt to speak of them. But frequently we hear it said: 'I have the rheumatism so I can hardly walk. I am like aworn old dray horse.'

"Another will say: 'I nearly sneeze my head off every morning. I am worse than an ancient locomotive getting up steam.'

"Every day you hear somebody declare: 'I ache all over. I have no more life than a block of wood.'

"All these statements are confessions of weakness which a proud man should have to admit. How often do you hear anyone brag about the number of broken window panes he has in his house? Do you hear any boasting about the broken down fences on the farm, or the weed-choked potato field?

"To me ill health is not a thing to laugh over or to joke about. Just as sure as can be, the time will come when you will be ashamed to say you have a cold.

"The next time you have cold, figure out for yourself why you have it. You will find several factors.

"For two or three nights you stayed out till past midnight. Because of loss of sleep you felt tired and cross.

"You have abused your strength, suffering indigestion because of over-eating, or taking food which always disagrees with you. Honestly, did you not show lack of character by failure to resist the temptation of a much-liked dish of some sort?

"Perhaps you permitted yourself to remain for hours in a poorly ventilated or smoke-filled theatre or restaurant. Or the place may have been cold and draughty. You stayed till you were chilled to the bone.

"You may have suffered the torments of worry, with its loss of appetite and loss of sleep. You have given way to the fear of disaster. Lack of faith in yourself and in humanity is responsible for the lowered resistance which permitted infection.

"When we abuse the body in one of the ways I have suggested, the power of resistance is lowered and the body is not guarded as it should be. As a result the watchful germs, awaiting their chance, rush in to begin their attack upon the organs and structures of the body.

"No one would boast of sleeping on guard or of neglecting the property he is under obligation to protect. Why joke about the effects of neglecting your body?

"You see now why I believe the time will come when we will feel ashamed to admit we have one of many illness which result because we have failed in our duties to ourselves. Right living and common sense will spare us the loss of time and the lack of efficiency which comes from carelessness or self-indulgence."

**EXECUTOR'S NOTICE**

Estate of Eura Montague deceased The undersigned having been appointed executor of the estate of Eura Montague late of the County of Moultrie and the State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the County Court of Moultrie County, at the Court House in Sullivan, at the February term on the first Monday in February next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 30th day of November, A. D. 1925.

Seth M. Montague, Executor  
Vause & Kiger, Attorneys, Mattoon, Illinois.

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**SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS**

Merry Faces, rosy from the whirlash of swirling snow . . . laughing crowds of parcel-laden shoppers, hastening homeward in the hush of starlit nights . . . gaily decked evergreens glimpsed through radiant windows.

Christmas isn't just a holiday bearing a red letter of distinction on the calendar. It is a state of mind, a magic influence that quickens to life the dormant love of humanity in all of us.

The joyous pealing of many bells . . . the merry greetings . . . the feasting and bringing of gifts, as in days of old . . . the songs and festivities—these are happy manifestations of the Christmas Spirit.

**WATCH THE BRIDGES**

It is an unfortunate fact that the American countryside is entirely too liberally sprinkled with old-fashioned bridges built before the era of the motor truck and heavy traffic.

The Highway Department has, of course, watched these old bridges and tested them, but timber has a habit of rotting below the surface and corrosion constantly gnaws at retaining walls.

Care is needed on crossing these old-time bridges. Warning signs are not posted by Highway Department engineers in a spirit of fun. If such signs are properly observed the safety of everyone is assured. If not, someone will probably be seriously injured, a good truck or car ruined and an important link in the neighborhood's line of communication will be broken. Watch the bridges!—Telephone News.

**GOB HUMOR**

Prisoner—Your Honor, I wasn't doin' a thing. This dame had on an X-ray dress and the sun was kinda bright and then the first thing I knew this big roughneck came and soaked me on the peninsula.

Judge—Peninsula?

Prisoner—Yessir, that's a long, narrow neck stretching out to sea.—Tennessee Tar.

**MARRIED IN CHARLESTON**

Clarence Kirkendoll of this city, who gave his age as 21 and Levada R. Cox, 18 of Decatur, were licensed to wed in Charleston, last week.

**FARM SELLS AT \$247.50 AN ACRE**

The home of the late Henry Munson and forty acres of land five miles

southeast of Arcola has been sold to David Thompson at \$247.50 an acre. Mr. Thompson and family will move there during the coming winter. The place was owned by Mrs. Earl Cash and Mrs. Jesse Smith, daughters of the late Mr. Munson.—Arcola Record-Herald.



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## Give Him Useful Gifts this Christmas

What shall I give? This is a question which is now uppermost in the minds of many. With Christmas less than two weeks away the time is drawing nigh when you must decide this question—what shall I give? With the thought in mind that we can perhaps serve you if it is presents for father, brother, husband, son or sweetheart that you want we hereby bring to your attention many of the useful and appropriate things in which this store abounds and any of which make very appropriate and desirable gifts.

Make this a Christmas of useful giving. Among the dozens of articles which you will find listed here there is surely one or more that is just adapted to the needs of the person you are buying for.



# “SHOP EARLY”

## A Special Invitation to the lady Shopper

Please do not hesitate to ask our assistance if you feel that we are in a position where we can be helpful.

If you are in doubt as to what to buy, let us give you a gift certificate which you can present and this will be redeemable in any kind of merchandise he may want after the Christmas day. It will give him the opportunity to select.

Of course it will be much nicer if you can present him with some article, when Santa makes his Christmas deliveries and we are sure that we can help you with your selection. There are so many things here to choose from, all of which have been stocked with a view of helping to solve problems such as yours.

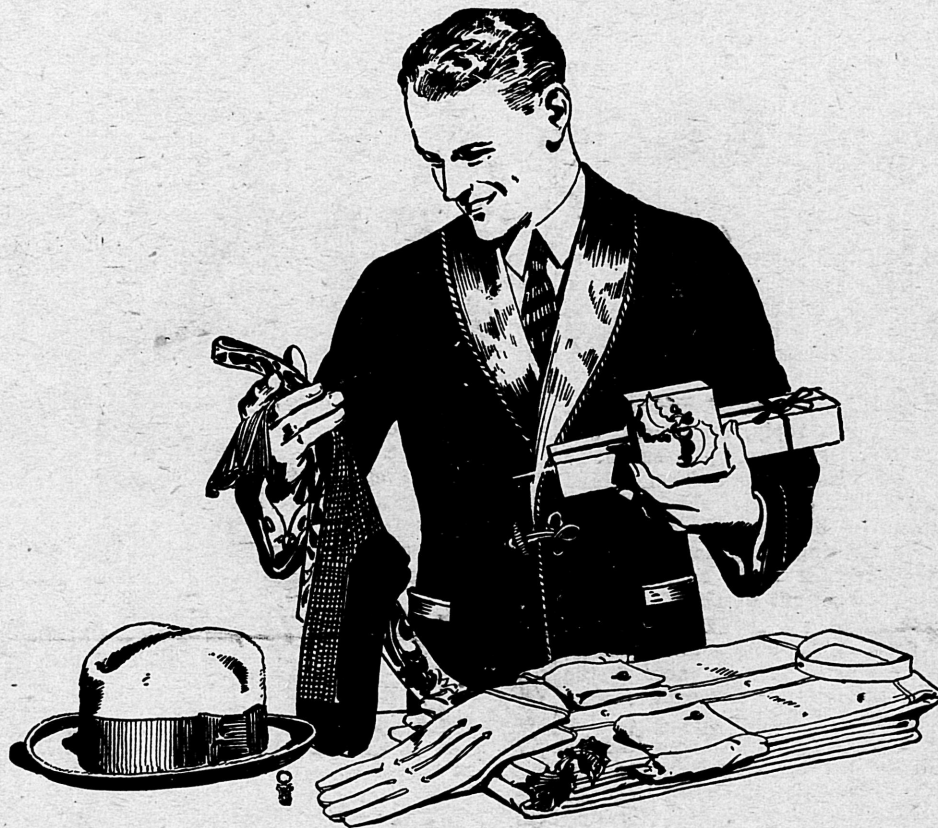
Come in see our big Christmas stock. We will be delighted to show you what all we have to offer.

## Useful Presents for Father, Husband, Son, Brother or Any Male Relative or Friend

Shop for Men's Presents at Sullivan's Leading Clothier

## A Few Suggestions

This page will suggest to your mind some of the many articles which will make desirable Christmas gifts. There are many others in our store which you will not find mentioned here. Our shelves are loaded with things we will be delighted to show you. You can buy suitable gifts here for a few cents or for any amount that you may have decided to spend.



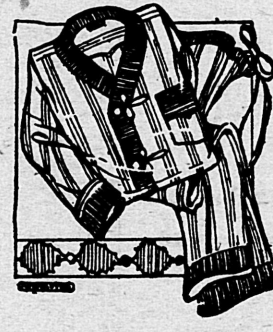
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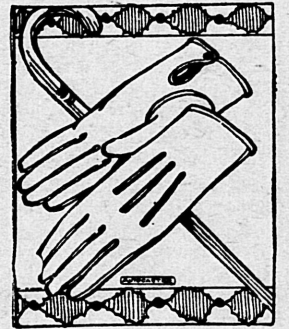
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### Suits

Our big line of high class Hart, Schaffner & Marx and other popular brands of suits will always be appreciated as gifts

\$25.00, \$35.00, \$45.00



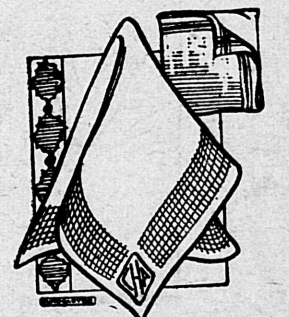
### Overcoats

A big warm overcoat which radiates comfort and good cheer would make a delightful present for Father or any of the boys.

\$20.00, \$30.00, \$40.00



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10c AND UP



\$1.50 AND UP

ONLY 12 MORE SHOPPING DAYS TO CHRISTMAS

# J. H. PEARSON

“SULLIVAN'S LEADING CLOTHIER”

ONLY 12 MORE SHOPPING DAYS TO CHRISTMAS

### "PNEUMONIA PLAYS THE BULLY" SAYS HEALTH CHIEF, PREYS ON INFANTS AND AGED

Springfield, Dec. 9th.—Referring to pneumonia as a "bully" that preys upon babies and the aged and attacks a fellow only when his is already down, Dr. Isaac D. Rawlings, state

health director, points out in his annual report which has just been handed to Governor Small, that the first three months of the year is preeminently the pneumonia season. Last year, the statistics show, one-third of the 5798 deaths from pneumonia in Illinois were among children less than five years old while 39 percent were among persons over 50. Not only so, but the fatal persistency of this malady has made the colder winter and spring months the most unhealthy time of year whereas a half-century ago, before the advent of public health service, the hot summer months were the most sickly. Nearly one-half of all pneumonia deaths occurred during the first three months of the year.

"The 700,000 children of less than five years of age, who constitute only 10 per cent of the population of the state, suffered one-third of all mortality from pneumonia last year," said Dr. Rawlings. "People over 50 years of age, who constitute only 15 percent of the population bore 39 percent of the losses from pneumonia. Thus 72 percent of the mortality from pneumonia last year, a total of 4153 fatalities, took place among two age groups which together constitutes only 25 percent of the total population."

"Pneumonia is far worse in winter than in summer. Figures for last year show 2813 deaths during January, February and March against 580 for July, August and September, these being the two extreme quarters. For August only 144 fatalities were recorded against 820 for March, these two being the extreme months."

"Out of several thousand cases of pneumonia investigated, two thirds of the patients said that a bad cold or cough had preceded pneumonia."

Other sorts of illness, such as contagious diseases, and exposure to wet and cold were given in many other cases as incidents preceding the attack.

"This evidence indicates that pneumonia is preventable on a large scale and that paying careful attention to minor ailments is one of the essential factors in prevention. Why should pneumonia favor infancy except that babies are more tender and less resistant to disease? Why should pneumonia follow upon the heels of a cold except that the patient has been weakened? It appears that this disease is essentially a "bully" and that preventive measures largely consists of those things that make for robustness. It is especially emphasized that infants in this latitude need in winter cod-liver oil or other radiated food and plenty of fresh air instead of foul, overheated atmosphere too frequently found in the average home."

"In the past public health service has centered its efforts upon such diseases as typhoid and yellow fever, malaria and diarrhea, maladies that 50 years ago made the hot months of summer the most sickly of all seasons. Progress against these ills, have been sufficient to change the whole scale of seasonal sickness, making winter and spring the most unhealthy periods and for this pneumonia is chiefly responsible. Not that it has increased but rather that it has not declined."

### High School Life

(Continued)

her back upon the Hindoo and pressed dampened handkerchief to her nose. The sickness left her and she felt better. Turning again to the Priest-doctor, she found him occupied in teasing an ill humored tigress who returned the insults by spitting and boxing the air at the end of the chain that held her from her malefactor. The sight wrung an involuntary cry of fear from the nurse. The man looked up and seeing the horror expressed by her face, smiled. Upon clapping his hands, two Hindoo servants appeared from nowhere in particular, and stood before their master. They appeared so quickly, and so quietly that one might be led to believe that they had materialized from thin air. Aurora wondered if the Doctor were a magician or a hypnotist. The servants having removed the animal, the Doctor turned to his nurse.

"All ready?" he asked, and without waiting for a reply, an order was given and a spotless white surgeon's table was wheeled out from behind the curtains of the throne dais. Against the background of jewels, crimson hangings, and darkly stained yek, the stark white table seemed most jarringly out of place. An orangoutang which had formerly occupied one of the rooms many chairs, was securely strapped across the white table top. As the rubber mask was placed over the almost human face, the great muscles surged beneath the tough, hairy hide and finally, with an almost human cry of despair, subsided to the suffocating qualities of the ether. The nurse felt her hands doing the gastly work though her whole mind rebelled. Somehow she associated her actions with the Hindoo's beady and ever watchful eyes. How she hated and feared those eyes. They seemed to be devilishly dancing; they glared and blinked at her balefully. Those eyes ordered and she obeyed, powerless to their fiendishness.

With a clean cut of the sabre the flesh upon the animal's head was parted and with a cutical spoon the flesh was spread back and the bones of the skull lay revealed. Using a small chisel and silver hammer, the cranial bone was removed and the whole of the pulsating, crevaced, milky, jelly-like bulk of the brain was disclosed. When a particular fold of the brain was touched, the orangoutang made a horrible grimace beneath the lashed skin; by touching another exposed fold, the arms writhed in their bones; and at still another, the legs responded. Quickly the Doctor reached his hand into the cranium and deftly breaking the spinal column withdrew the organs of the head. The appealing brown eyes as they were torn from their sockets, glimmered like points of deadly fire, but when wholly exposed to the air they grew dim and grey. At some invisible signal from the Doctor, an Oriental appeared bearing above his head an ordinary serving tray upon which rested a human head void of all flesh. The nurse was horrified. But powerless she opened the head and transformed the contents into the gapping cranium of the orangoutang. The tray was removed. The cranial bone and flesh were replaced and the wound was carefully sewed together. The bonds were loosened and developments were awaited—by the Doctor expectantly, the nurse, fearfully.

The treat ape awoke apparently none the worse physically, but his whole mind had been changed. He was helpless—his muscles had lost all power of co-ordination. The animal was removed from the table to a chair, and the table itself disappeared. Looking at him through the eyes of, and thinking with the brain of a man, the orangoutang saw and recognized the Doctor. With a shriek of hate and one great bound the beast was upon the Hindoo. Both man and beast went down together. A steam of red life flowed from the Doctor's jugular, while a short, sure sacrificial knife found a mortal lodging place in the treat ape.

Two apparently unrelated bits of news found their way into La Presse

of the fourteenth. The beautiful chateau of M. Abdulla, noted Hindoo Doctor, was totally destroyed by fire last evening. The body of a young American nurse was taken from the river Seine early this morning.

—Gloyd M. Rose.

Remember the Junior class play.

### CHURCH OF GOD

Pastor, J. E. Day  
10 a. m.—Sunday school.  
11 a. m.—Preaching services.  
7 p. m.—Preaching services.  
Wednesday evening prayer meeting at 7 p. m. leader Mrs. E. F. Harris  
Cottage prayer meeting at Mrs. E. F. Harris', west of town. Friday evening at 7 p. m. A. L. McCune leader.  
We extend a hearty welcome to all.

### NEW SHEEP CLUB CHAMPION WELL STARTED IN BUSINESS

Urbana, Ill., Dec. 8.—Glenn Buesinger, 20 years old, of Taylorville, who is the new state champion of all Illinois boys' and girls' club members who raised sheep as their project during the past year, has better than \$200 and a good start in the sheep business to show for his year's club work, according to his report to club officials at the College of Agriculture, University of Illinois. His winnings at the Illinois state fair and at the Christian county fair amounted to \$154, while his net earnings on his six sheep totalled \$46.66. At the time of his report, Glenn still had five of the six sheep as a start in the business, one of them having been sold to a breeder. He is raising purebred Oxfords.

"I selected the Oxfords because we have been breeding them for a number of years and I think they are the best all-round breed for this locality and come nearer filling the requirements of what a good sheep should be. By having quite a number to pick from, I selected lambs which would match up well in the pens and which I thought would fatten best. In selecting the lambs for the purebred class I took the ones with the best type form, fleece and general characteristics of an Oxford."

"The first month I just had them on pasture and from then on they were allowed to run on bluegrass and also on soybean pasture. I found that if the lambs were on soybeans alone they would get the scours, but if they were on bluegrass about half the time they were all right. I fed ground corn and whole oats and they made fairly good gains considering the hot weather."

At the state fair Glenn took third on a pen of registered lambs and fourth on registered ewe lamb in the club classes for a total winning of \$20 and in addition won \$87 in the

open classes where he competed against adult breeders. At the Christian county fair he took first on a pen of three fat ewes, first on a pen of ewe lambs, second on a pen of registered ewes, second on registered

ewe lamb in the club classes, giving him \$13, and in addition he won \$34 in the open classes. Aside from prize money, his total receipts for the year were \$185, while his expenses amounted to \$138.34.

## Gifts for Christmas Giving

Everybody, young and old, enjoys taking pictures; why not make them happy with a Brownie Camera?  
\$2.00 AND UP

A few rolls of kodak films will be much appreciated by one who already owns a camera. 10% discount on six rolls or more.

A snap shot album to preserve the pictures for all time 60c and up; special 7 x 11, 50 leaves, 90c.

Engel's Art Corners, used to mount pictures with 100 for 10c

### SWING FRAMES FOR PORTRAITS

Nice to beautify the home; all sizes and prices, as low as \$1.50

### Rings Rings

Babies—Children—Ladies and Gents 50c TO \$5.00

Studio open Saturday nights before Christmas.

## The Star Art Studio

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Lv. Sullivan x12:56 a. m., Saturday, December 19th  
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Tickets good only on Train 26, leaving Sullivan evening of December 19th and returning on Train 25, leaving Chicago, Sunday, December 20th. Tickets good in coaches only. No reduction for children. No baggage checked.

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### CLEAN-UP SALE

All Hats in Stock at HALF PRICE

Some early Spring styles included in this lot. First come—will have largest assortment to select from.

### Stricklan Hat Shop

SOUTH SIDE SQUARE SULLIVAN, ILL.

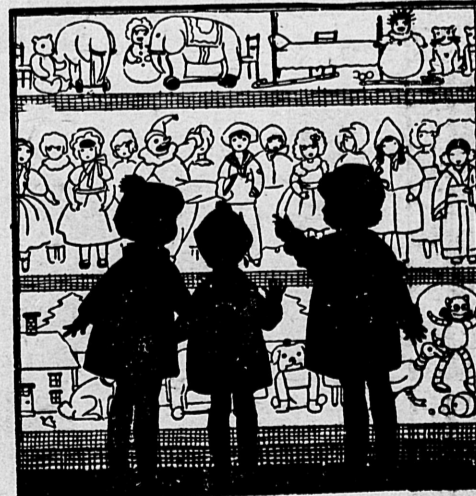
## Presents for all Members of the Family

Here you will find the Assortment to Select them from



Included in our large stock are hundreds of articles which make dandy gifts. We have anticipated your wants and our tables and shelves are loaded with holiday goods.

We want you to come in and let us show you this season new toys, new notions, dry goods, kitchenware and do not overlook our book and magazine department. Magazine subscriptions will help solve some of your Christmas problems.



#### FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

Mechanical toys—several very good ones; Games; Blocks; Puzzles; Modeling Sets; Pop Guns; Liquid Guns; Celluloid Novelties, etc.

#### GIVE ALUMINUM

Beautiful and Useful Aluminum ware always makes acceptable presents—tea kettles, dish-pans, percolators, double boilers, etc.

We can't mention all the nice things in this adv. Come in and see them.

## Ewing's Variety Store

NORTH SIDE SQUARE

SULLIVAN, ILLINOIS

## Gifts for the LITTLE Folks

With the first whisper of the coming Merry Yuletide Season, the smiling, jolly face of old Santa Claus is indelibly imprinted upon the mind of every kiddie in the land as all thoughts are centered on the many wonderful things he will bring them on his annual visit.

Anticipating the wishes of every child, the Christmas season finds our toy department crowded to overflowing with fascinating innovations. Bring the youngsters in!

This is headquarters for Dolls, Doll Beds and Doll's Furnishings.

Do not overlook our China Ware department, also lots of Christmas suggestions in hand painted dishes; cut glass goblets, sherbets and tumblers.

#### ESPECIALLY FOR THE LADIES

Towel sets, polo caps, handkerchiefs, garter sets, rubber tea aprons, etc.

**SPITTOONS NOT POPULAR**

A striking feature of the new union railway station in Chicago is the absence of spittoons. The habitual spitter fails to locate one even in smoking and rest rooms. This fact is a distinct tribute to the advancement of sanitary customs of the public. Not so many years ago a railroad station of whatever magnitude and architectural splendor would not have been complete without its array of shining spittoons which were usually regarded as a signal for the general direction in which one was expected to expel superfluuous salivary accumulations. The absence of cuspidores in Chicago's splendid new terminal is an eloquent announcement that people are not expected to spit in any direction while in the depot. Even the most hardened addict to careless spitting would scarcely have the "crust" to expectorate on the spotless floors of this new railroad terminal.

Application of advanced sanitary ideas did not stop with spittoon elimination from the new union railroad station. Drinking fountains, doing away with the necessity for cups, are found at convenient places. Lavatories, with liquid soap equipment and paper towels make it possible for one to wash the hands and face without any dangerous contact whatever with any person who used these facilities beforehand. Toilets are of the most modern type, clean and easily kept that way. Compared with the old union station or almost any railroad depot built more than a decade ago, this new terminal is a revelation in advancement of sanitary and hygienic knowledge and practice and in architectural splendor.

The builders of the new union railroad station have not set up a new standard of depot sanitation. They have merely met the public demands on this subject. Nobody would spit on the floor in the middle of his living room at home. Everyone enjoys the use of individual towels, eating utensils and toilet facilities. These ideas have become so generally accepted that the traveling public expects no less in such places as railway terminals which have come to be regarded as a sort of public living room or temporary home.—Illinois Health News.

**HARD ROAD RULES FOR THE SCHOOL CHILDREN**

The building of concrete roads has been a distinct advantage to rural life and rural institutions. Many children formerly came to school along muddy lanes are walking or driving on hard roads from their very door to the school house. However, rapid and wide spread extension of these

roads has brought along with it some dangers. A few years ago two school girls going home on a dark winter afternoon were walking forward on the right side of the road. An automobile coming behind them did not, for some reason or other, see the girls until the machine was well upon them. It was on a down grade and the brakes failing to work the two girls were struck and killed. There is every reason to believe that if they had followed the simple plan of walking on that side of the road which would make them face the coming machine they would not have been killed. It would be well, therefore for all of the teachers in the schools of Illinois, whether in the city or the country, to instruct the children on two simple points:

1. When walking on the concrete road, or any road for that matter where automobiles travel, always walk on that side of the road which keeps you facing the automobiles which are moving on the same side of the road. To state it another way, never walk on the side of the road where the automobiles are going the same way you are.

2. When meeting an automobile, step off of the concrete slab to your left.—Educational Press Bulletin.

**EFFECT OF ROUNDWORMS ON GROWTH OF HOGS**

The influence of parasites in stunting the growth of hogs is commonly recognized, but there are few instances in which the effect has been actually measured. The United States Department of Agriculture describes such a test with large round worms, or ascarids, a serious intestinal parasite. In one experiment pigs kept exclusively on clean clover pasture attained a weight of 218 pounds, while others of the same age on similar pasture with access to a wormy hog lot grew to only 162 pounds.

In another experiment pigs on pasture with access to a permanent hog lot also failed to make good gains in weight. When these pigs were slaughtered it was found that those infested with the largest number of worms were those that weighed the least. Thus, it seems probable that, all other things being equal, there is a more or less direct relation between the number of worms and the rate of gain.

Roundworms are readily prevented by a system of sanitation now widely used. In addition to being more healthy, hogs grown under this system develop more evenly and are ready for market from a month to six weeks earlier.

**The Song of Christmas**

By JAMES WHITCOMB RILEY

CHANT me a rhyme of Christmas— And though it is filled with laughter, let it be pure and strong.

Sing of the hearts brimmed over with the story of the day— Of the echo of childish voices that will not die away.

Of the blare of the tasseled bugle, and of the timeless clatter and beat Of the drum that throbs to muster squadrons of scampering feet.

But, O, let your voice fall fainter, till, blent with a minor tone, You temper your song with the beauty of the pithy Christ has shown.

And sing one verse for the voiceless; and yet ere the song be done, A verse for the ears that hear not, and a verse for the sightless one.

For though it be time for singing a merry Christmas glee, Let a low, sweet voice of pathos run through the melody.

HOLLER FIRST There's an old, be-whiskered saying, That is every with us staying, And that saying is "Don't holler till you're hurt."

But you can bet your bottom dollar, That if, before we're hurt, we'd holler There'd be many less good men beneath the dirt.

Up among the wires, the poles, the plant machinery Old Reaper sets his scenery, There are hidden dangers everywhere you walk.

So don't wait till you are mangled, And in the wreckage tangled, But holler, while you're able to squawk.

If you find a ladder squeaking, Or a gas main in a manhole leaking, Or a pole that's ready for a fall, Tell the right man, quick, about it, Make a holler, loudly shout it, It may save someone, and won't hurt you at all.

Always keep your eye wide-open, Don't go 'round a-dreamin'—mopin', Be ever on the lookout for the worst.

If upon a hazard you should happen Do not let it catch you nappin' Then perhaps you'll get a chance to holler first.

You are surely with the fire playing When you listen to the saying, "Don't holler till you're hurt," the world I'll tell,

For the doctors and the nurses,



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A RADIO SALES TALK—TUNE IN

Radio agencies are plentiful. There are many new makes of Radios on the market. All manufacturers are anxious to dispose of their goods. Consequently many people will offer to sell you a Radio outfit.

**EASY TO BUY—HOW ABOUT THE UPKEEP?**

When automobiles became popular so that people could afford to buy them, auto salesmen were about as plentiful as radio salesmen are today. Many people bought without giving an important matter consideration—**IS THE SELLER AN ESTABLISHED BUSINESS CONCERN?** In due time that matter became important. New parts were needed; repairs had to be made. The seller was no longer in business, or perhaps never had been so situated that he could give this needed service.

**THE RADIO SITUATION VERY SIMILAR**

In buying a Radio, kindly give this matter some thought. When you buy from an established firm, that has sold radios for some years, and given service and satisfaction, you will know where to go to get your batteries charged, get new batteries, parts and general accessories.

It's up to us to make good. We're here in business to stay. We sell two popular makes of radios of proven value. **THE DAY FAN AND NEUTROWOUND.** If you are thinking of buying, will you kindly give us a chance to talk this matter over with you.

We carry a full line of Exide Radio batteries and accessories.

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Les Atchison, Prop.

PHONE 467

SULLIVAN, ILLINOIS

The florists and the hearses, Will have a job when it's too late to yell. —Telephone News.

**A DAILY THOUGHT**  
A little bit of kindness  
To others now and then;  
A little bit of blindness  
To the faults of other men,  
The wish to be forgiving  
When things somehow go wrong,  
And life is worth the living  
And hope is in the song.

**LOCAL FIRM GETS SHELBYVILLE CONTRACT**  
The contract for the electrical wiring in the new public school building at Shelbyville, was awarded last week to the firm of L. T. Hagerman & Co. of this city for \$5,258. The building is being erected by the local contracting firm of Hagerman & Harshman.

**FOR THE EARLY SHOPPER**

**Christmas Suggestions**

**FOR THE EARLY SHOPPER**

When the spirit of the Christmas time comes to engulf us all, the men are just "boys grown up" and it's really an easy matter to dope out what to get them for Christmas. There is no reason why the selection of presents for the menfolks should be a difficult job for the ladies. Follow his footsteps in filling his past wants and they will lead you here—to a MAN'S STORE. Our practical gifts on display all over the place will fairly shout suggestions at you as to what to buy.

If you'd talk the matter over with him and say "Overcoat, silk shirt, box handkerchiefs, etc." he'd be sure to say "Why sure, certainly, anything will do". So take the hint and come here and select just those things that he needs, and get them from a bright new stock, bought in anticipation of your Christmas wants.

**Look over this list. You'll find many things here that you can use. Space does not permit that we list them all.**

**SUITS**

Suits for "Dad and the Boys" are something that this store specializes in all the year around. They will make very nice Christmas presents.

**HATS AND CAPS**

Hats and Caps also are very nice for Christmas giving. Especially nice for the boys are the knitted caps, so ideally adapted for Winter sports.

**DRESS GLOVES**

Somebody on the list of the men you are buying for can surely use a pair of gloves. We have them in many different styles and prices.

**HANDKERCHIEFS**

Men's handkerchiefs, single or by the box. These are made of sheer linen, damask linen or voiles, or in the dandy silk creations. This is surely a wide field to select from and prices range all the way from 10c to \$1.50.

**WOOL SHIRTS**

Why not buy him a wool shirt for Christmas. The time of the year is so appropriate for this kind of a shirt that it will be welcomed with a whoop of delight. Patterns are very attractive, yet withal conservative enough to be sure to please all. Prices range from \$2.50 to \$6.00.

**OVERCOATS**

Overcoats priced at from \$15.00 to \$35.00 For the boys prices of course range lower.

**DRESS SHIRTS**

English broadcloth shirts too are very much in keeping with the Christmas spirit of "Dress up". Another silk shirt would be a valued asset to any man's wardrobe. If you want to spend from \$2.50 to \$5.00 then give this consideration. It will give you excellent value for your expenditure.

**FOOTWEAR**

Shoes, boots and footwear of all kinds will be found here in profusion.

**SWEATERS**

Sweaters and Sweater Coats; also fancy wool vests are all in keeping with the time and make very acceptable gifts for any of the menfolks, ranging in age from 2 years to 90.

**GOLF TOGS**

Since the country club has become a permanent fixture of Sullivan, every man who plays golf would surely like to have some nifty golf togs. These will be nice for Christmas giving. In this line are caps, sweaters, wool vests with stockings to match, knickers, etc.

**HOSIERY**

Hosiery, by the pair or by the box will show Santa's careful consideration and judicious buying. Our stock in this line covers a wide range in colors and materials and the special holiday boxes are more than attractive.

**WORK CLOTHES**

If it is work clothes that you desire to give, we are sure that we can fill your needs satisfactorily.

**NECKWARE**

Silk cravats and ties, boxed in Holly boxes add joy and usefulness to the spirit of Christmas giving. Prices cover so wide a range that it affords a wide field for selection, 50c to \$1.50.

**COLLARS**

Buy him a box of soft collars; a muffler will be just "fine and dandy" and will help to keep him snug and warm.

**BUY MEN'S JEWELRY**

Cuff links, belt buckles, chains, tie pins, etc., etc.

**UMBRELLAS, ETC.**

How about an umbrella; that's a nice present; or a belt. If he has none of the stylish wide kinds, the newest thing in that line, why not buy him one for Christmas.

Delayed shopping means disappointed shoppers. But a few days more and Christmas will be here. Why not attend to this matter at the earliest possible time. Delay or putting it off will mean only inconvenience and disappointment later. Do your shopping now and get the matter off your mind so that you can make the rest of your Christmas arrangements.

**MAMMOTH SHOE & CLOTHING COMPANY**

West Side Square

J. H. SMITH, Manager

SULLIVAN, ILLINOIS

**COLES.**

Bobbie and Thelma Curry are suffering from chicken pox.  
 Rev. E. F. Grizzell of Urbana spent Sunday and Sunday night with Mr. Mrs. James Claxon.  
 Leonard Beals of Mattoon spent the week end visiting Joseph Hinton.  
 Bill Bareither and family have moved to the farm he recently purchased and Elmer Cooley and family have moved into the house vacated by Mr. Bareither. John Foster and family have moved to the Pierce farm vacated by Mr. Cooley.  
 Virgil Claxon and family have moved to the Rufus Pierce farm.  
 Quite a number from this vicinity attended the shower given for Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cheaney, at their home near Gays, Wednesday evening.  
 Mrs. Amanda Davis is numbered among the sick.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Shirey and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Hinton and family.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Frank Layton and son Ray of Mattoon, spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Bud Davis and family.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Orville Jeffers and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Cheeley and family.  
 Rev. Grizzell of Urbana, who underwent an operation for the removal of a growth in his nose, on Monday, spent Monday night at the home of Bud Davis.  
 Mrs. Ella Waggoner who has been in failing health for some time is no better.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gearhart of Taylorville spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gearhart.  
 Mrs. Eugena Olmstead and son Austin, of Mattoon spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. John Olmstead.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Bud Ritter spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ritter and family.

**CHIPPS**

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Davis and daughter spent Sunday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ross Thomas.  
 Miss Bonnie Pankey spent the week end visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Panky.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Verna Campbell and daughter visited Mr. and Mrs. John Bathe, Sunday afternoon.  
 Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Landers spent Sunday at the home of Raymond Shasteen.  
 —For Blacksmithing, horseshoeing, and woodwork, go to T. S. Hall's shop, Sullivan.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Davis spent Friday in Decatur shopping.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Ross Thomas spent Friday in Arthur.  
 Mrs. Will Lewis and daughter Vivian, spent Thursday and Friday at the home of W. L. Landers.  
 Lew Durr spent Monday in Arthur.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Verna Campbell and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John Bathe and daughter spent Monday at the home of Ed Campbell.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Earl Campbell and sons visited with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Jesse, Sunday.  
 John Bathe and family spent Sunday evening at the home of Ross Thomas.  
 Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Landers spent Monday at the home of Victor Landers.

**ALLENVILLE.**

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Conwell spent Sunday with Leonard Conwell and wife.  
 Miss Gladys Leeds of Champaign is visiting Misses Emogene and Zelma Mathias.  
 Ernest Pieratt of Hindsboro spent Sunday with his father Mr. Pieratt and family.  
 Revival services started at the M. E. church Monday night. Everyone is invited to come and make this meeting a success. Rev. Riley Ridgway is pastor.  
 —For Blacksmithing, horseshoeing, and woodwork, go to T. S. Hall's shop, Sullivan.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Boyda Burtcheard of Champaign visited over Sunday with Bob Burtcheard and wife and Orville Buxton and family.

John Black and family and Olaf Black spent Sunday with Mrs. J. H. Humphrey and Miss Marie Black.  
 Mr. and Mrs. C. I. Sutton and family and Kenneth Gustin of Sullivan, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Misenheimer and David Stewart and family spent Sunday with Pearl Denham and family.  
 O. C. Mattox was a caller in Decatur, Saturday.  
 J. C. Jude and daughter and Mrs. P. D. Preston were visitors in Sullivan, Saturday.  
 Mrs. Maye Bruce and sons Beldon and Douglas, of Villa Grove, spent Friday and Saturday with Mrs. Sarah Wheeler and family and other relatives.  
 F. J. Tuggle and Ernie Galbreath were callers in Decatur, Saturday.  
 Charles Reeves and family spent Sunday with George Elder and family of Sullivan.  
 Mr. and Mrs. William Reynolds and children from Columbus, Ohio, are visiting friends here before going to Vincennes, Indiana.

**GAYS.**

Luke Slater is able to be back to his work at the bank.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Bert Drummonds left Tuesday for Iowa where they will make their home. They shipped their household goods while they will drive through in their car.  
 Dr. and Mrs. Grier are spending a few days in Sullivan with their daughter Mrs. J. F. Lawson and family.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Dan Clark spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Welch.  
 Ralph Jarvis was called home by the illness of his mother.  
 Miss Lorene Smith was a Neoga visitor last Friday.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Charles Doepel spent Monday evening with Mrs. Doepel's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Winning.  
 Willard Fleming from Allenville spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Shaffer.  
 Opal Curray who has been sick and unable to be at school for three weeks is now back at her studies.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Roy Booze spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ott Shaffer.

**LOVINGTON.**

Miss Lolita Lindsay has resigned her position at Thomas Drug store and will enter the State Normal school at Bloomington the second semester.  
 C. W. Jones has returned home after being confined to the Macon County hospital at Decatur, where he was taken after being severely cut in an automobile accident.  
 Oral Foster has gone to St. Louis to visit the fur markets and dispose of some pelts.  
 Mrs. Albert Morgan and baby of Marion, spent last week here, the guests of friends.  
 Mrs. W. I. McMullin was chairman of the Thursday night supper given at the Community Hall.  
 Ralph Hesler, Nate Kite, Ira Newlan and Floyd Freeman have gone to Miami, Florida, where they will spend the winter.  
 O. B. Kearney is in Chicago this week with his prize cattle, taking in the International live stock show.

**CUSHMAN.**

Marshall Whitaker and James Mitchell of Lovington, were callers at the home of Floyd Roberts, Thursday evening.  
 Those who spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Landgrebe were, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Smith, Miss Anna Landgrebe of Lovington; Mr. and Mrs. Mayhew Rhodes and son Charlie Rhodes.  
 Mrs. W. E. Devore and daughter, Miss Zelma, spent Wednesday evening with Mrs. Vern Ball.  
 —For Blacksmithing, horseshoeing, and woodwork, go to T. S. Hall's shop, Sullivan.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Jess Reedy spent Tuesday and Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jeffers of Shelbyville.  
 Earl Landgrebe left Saturday for Chicago where he will visit Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Behen and family.

Mrs. Ernest Martin was a Sullivan visitor, Wednesday.  
 Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Myers and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Martin and family.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Reedy and son Duane spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jay Graven of Kirksville.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Fred Foster, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Foster spent Sunday with Mrs. Margaret Foster.  
 Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Myers and son Ivan spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Keith Williams of Sullivan.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Roberts spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Drew and family.  
 Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Landgrebe and daughter Miss Katherine spent Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Mayhew Rhodes of Sullivan.

**BRUCE.**

Mrs. Effie Niles has been on the sick list, but is better now.  
 Mrs. Louis Bushart, who fell a few weeks ago, breaking two ribs, is able to be up again.  
 Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Sampson of Gays spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sampson.  
 Fred Waggoner of Decatur was a visitor here Sunday.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Dick Sharp and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Sharp.  
 C. C. Luttrell of Decatur was a business visitor here one day last week.  
 Mr. and Mrs. William Winchester of Allenville and daughter, Miss Sybil Beck, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Reed.  
 Mrs. Alma Rose and daughter, Mona, have returned to their home here to stay until Spring.  
 Miss Emma Evans was a business visitor in Windsor Saturday.  
 Mrs. Belle Patterson was a caller

in Sullivan, Saturday.  
 Mr. and Mrs. George Taylor spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Ritchey.

**LAKE CITY.**

Mrs. Hazel Ault attended a Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Elmer Weidner, Tuesday.  
 Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Springer and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shirey of Decatur, visited Wednesday with Mrs. L. M. Baker and Thursday with Mrs. T. F. Winings.  
 Mrs. Joe Brohard visited with Jesse Burcham and family, at Williamsburg Wednesday.  
 Mrs. Otis Gifford, Mrs. Hazel Ault, Mrs. Wilbur Moehn and Mr. and Mrs. George Bafford were Decatur visitors Wednesday.  
 George Dickson and Harold Armstrong returned home Wednesday after spending several months in Washington.  
 Misses Grace and Maude Winings were Decatur shoppers, Friday.  
 Born to Mr. and Mrs. Victor Connour, Sunday, December 6, a son.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Howard Burge, of near Lovington, spent Sunday with Bud Redfern and family.  
 Sam Ward and Florene Armstrong spent several days last week with relatives at Riverton.  
 The remains of Joe Johnson, who died at his home in St. Louis, Friday, was brought here to the home of Mr. and Mrs. George VanSickle Saturday evening. The funeral was conducted at the Christian church in Lovington, Sunday afternoon. Burial was in the Kellar cemetery.  
 Miss Ruth Powell spent Saturday with Ray Powell and family near Casner.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sherman and Ed Sherman were Decatur callers, Friday.

, Howard Maxwell and family have moved to a farm near Dalton City.

The revival meeting at the Methodist church is being well attended. Rev. Mr. Bond, of Lakewood, is conducting the services.  
 Harry, Dorothy and Charles John-

son of St. Louis are visiting with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Vansickle.

The basket supper which was held at the Odd Fellows hall Wednesday night was well attended. The proceeds went for the benefit of the lodge.

**'Man and the Devil'**

SUNDAY MORNING 10:30

One noted man has said "If I did not believe in a personal Devil, I would have to believe myself a Devil". As it is possible to account for the good that is done in any community so ought it be possible to account for the evil. Is there such a thing as a DEVIL? Does the sin of any community or individual originate from a DEVIL? What does the Bible have to say about the Devil? These and other questions will be answered at the morning service next Sunday.

**The First Christian Church**

George M. Anderson, Minister.

SULLIVAN,

ILLINOIS



**Gifts**  
*From the Christmas Store*

**Give Footwear**

It is the Sensible Christmas Gift

Give The Feet a Present.

Watch 'em Step Out

**FELT SLIPPERS WITH LEATHER SOLES**  
 The sensible kind to have, for you can step out of doors in them if necessary without getting your feet damp. A complete range of sizes from which to choose.

**FOR THE LADIES**  
 This is headquarters for all of the latest styles in ladies footwear. The wide range of sizes and styles carried assures you of a fit and absolute satisfaction.

**Buy Her a Pair of ZIPPER BOOTS**  
 The popular footwear for the out-of-doors when the weather is cold, or slushy and disagreeable.

**HOSIERY**  
 For men and women  
 The 3-pair to a box makes a very nice present for the men folks. They expect hosiery for Xmas. Let us supply you.

**MEN'S FOOTWEAR**  
 All desirable styles will be found here in such variety of sizes and designs that you will find it easy to be fitted here with just the kind of Oxfords or shoes that you intend buying

**TO MEET WINTER WEATHER**  
 It requires heavy, waterproofed leather in Footwear, especially if you prefer to go without rubbers. To meet this need, we recommend a pair of our special weight shoes

**HIGH-TOP BOOTS**

Big new shipment of High-Top boots now in.

**SHOES FOR ALL THE FAMILY**

This is a regular family shoe store. We cater to the wants of your feet. We have shoes of all descriptions, stylish dress shoes, work shoes, boots, rubber footwear, hosiery, and all such other things as may be termed footwear accessories, as polish brushes, foot appliances, shoe strings of all kinds, etc. When you want to dress the feet come to our store, which is exclusively a footwear store.

Buy foot wear for Christmas. Nothing could exceed it as a useful gift. Our modern, well-equipped shoe repairing shop is always at your service.

**T. P. FINLEY SHOE STORE**

Shoes and Men's Furnishings

WEST SIDE SQUARE

SULLIVAN, ILL.

**The A. H. Miller Insurance Announcement**

The insurance business of the late A. H. Miller is now owned by Mrs. A. H. Miller and Miss Mayme G. Alexander.

Miss Alexander, who has been in Mr. Miller's employ for many years, will have charge of the office. We will be able to give our policy holders the same efficient service they have always received, including prompt adjustment and payment of claims. Mr. W. P. Stricklan will continue with us in his usual capacity, with full authority to accept applications and premiums.

We respectfully solicit your continued patronage and assure you that all matters entrusted to us will receive prompt and careful attention. We thank you for all past favors and invite you to call at our office, when in Sullivan.

Very respectfully,

A. H. MILLER & COMPANY



**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

Geo. M. Anderson, Minister.  
The Every-member-canvas is being carried on in a commendable manner. There were 235 pledge cards handed in the first week of the canvass. This number is below the goal and yet when we consider the great number of canvassers and the number of people to be seen, it is very encouraging. Bro. Gay Fleming, Finance Secretary, will continue to read report of the canvass until it is completed. So it is urged that every canvasser and every member of the church see that your pledge card is in before Sunday, December 13th. All pledge cards must be returned whether a pledge is made or not. The money question for year 1926 will come to an end just as soon as all cards are returned.

Sermon subject for next Sunday morning will be the third of a series of six sermons on the general theme "Man And His Sin". The sermon subject will be "Man And The Devil". This will not particularly be a sensational sermon, but its aim will be to account for the cause of sin.

There are but two weeks until Christmas. The Bible school is planning to give a Christmas program, Sunday, evening, which will be Dec. 20th. The Christmas sermon will be given Sunday morning, Dec. 20th.

The Christmas Endeavor Society had a very interesting social and program at the church last Thursday evening. There were a large number of young people present and also a few adults to enjoy the program and the social hour. Chas. Kellar is president of the society. Kenneth Johnson was chairman of the program committee for the evening. The Endeavor society meets each Sunday evening at 6:30 o'clock. They are at present planning to have a Christmas party. Valeria Hodge is chairman of the committee to see about the Christmas party.

The Boy Scouts are planning to take a hike to Kellar's farm, on Saturday of this week.

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

Only two more Sundays before Christmas. That means that we must get busy. We want to see all the young folks out next Sunday, also as many of the older ones, who can attend. Look up the lesson for Sunday School during the week. It deals with Paul at Old Rome. Note the gospel he preached, it was full of courage, cheer and hope. Note again he was not ashamed of it. How about our gospel in every day life?

One week from next Sunday the young people of the Sunday School will give the evening program. It will be a Christmas program and from the lips of the young shall be per-

fect praise.

Theme for morning service "God's Eternal Yes".  
Subject for evening, "The Left Hand"

Some people say the church is cold. Physically speaking the thermometer indicates summer heat most of the time. Otherwise people do not feel the same. We give you a hearty invitation, a homely welcome, a glad hand, a simple message. What is your part? We need your help.

**MRS. AMANDA JANE BURWELL DIED AT CLARKSBURG**

Mrs. Amanda Jane Burwell passed away Sunday at the home of her daughter Mrs. H. H. Hoskins at Clarksburg, Illinois, at the advanced age of 81 years, 8 months and 11 days.

She had been a sufferer from a complication of diseases for the past three months and bore her suffering patiently and bravely to the end.

Amanda Jane Andrix was born March 25, 1844 in Pickaway county, Ohio. She came to Illinois a great many years ago. On the 25th of June 1871 she was united in marriage with Thomas Burwell. To this union three children were born.

Her husband and one son preceded her to the grave. She leaves to mourn her departure one son, Lowe Burwell living East of Sullivan and one daughter Mrs. H. H. Hoskins of Clarksburg, also six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren and one sister Mrs. Sam Abraham of Endley.

She was united with the Methodist church thirty-two years ago and remained a faithful follower of her Lord to the end of her days.

**TOWNSHIP SPELLING CONTEST**

The township spelling contests will be held today (Friday) at the following schools: For Whitley township at Gays and Bruce; for East Nelson township, at Allenville; for Jonathan Creek township at the Center school; for Sullivan township at the South Side building; for Dora township at the West Stringtown school; for Lowe township at the Mentzer; for Lovington at the grade school building and for Marrowbone township at the Bethany grade school.

The county contest will be held at the county superintendent's office on December 19th and the state contest will be held at Springfield on December 28th.

—Frank Pifer and several of the children have returned from Zenith, Georgia, where they have lived for some months. Mrs. Pifer and the rest of the family are still at Zenith.

—Mrs. James of Chicago is spending a few days with her daughter Mrs. Chal Newbould and family.

**BETHANY.**

George McLaughlin was a caller in Sullivan, Friday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Walter McGee were Sullivan callers Friday.

A. L. Miller was a caller in Stewardson, Saturday.  
Mrs. Reeder of Stewardson is spending the week with her daughter Mrs. A. L. Miller.

Mrs. Mattie Hoskins spent last week in Decatur, the guest of Mrs. W. R. Crowder.

Rev. Oborn of Warsaw, Indiana, spent Saturday and Sunday with his son Rev. Howard Oborn.

A. R. Scott and W. A. Wilkinson have traded 1200 acres of land in Canada for 530 acres of land in Southeast Missouri. W. A. Debruler handled the deal.

The first and second teams from Cerro Gordo played the first and second teams of Bethany High School, Friday night. The first game was a 11 to 8 score in favor of Cerro Gordo. The second 28 to 11 in favor of Bethany.

A series of meetings began at the Cumberland Presbyterian church this week.

**WHITFIELD.**

Tim Edwards and T. I. Leggett attended court in Sullivan, Monday.

Miss Flossie Butler returned to her home here last Thursday after spending the summer in Sullivan.

Ed Daniels had the misfortune to break his arm recently, while cranking his car.

Mrs. Mary Storm entertained the Sunshine club last Wednesday. The ladies tacked a comfort for Mrs. Storm and then a short program was enjoyed, Mrs. Will Thompson leading. Election of officers was held at this time. Mrs. Ethel Hogue was elected president; Mrs. Marie Conley, secretary and treasurer. Mrs. Allie Merkle was retained as the flower fund sec'y. Mrs. Storm served refreshments of angel food cake and fruit salad. The club will meet with Mrs. Will Thompson in January.

Services at Whitfield church were just fairly well attended Sunday. 44 were present for Sunday school.

—Rev. Goleman was a guest of Frank Myers and family Sunday night. He visited at the home of J. J. Edwards on Saturday night.

Sunday visitors were: G. C. Garrett and family with Mrs. Emma Bridges and family in Ash Grove; Fred Waggoner and boy friend with his sister Mrs. Rex Garrett; Ray Edwards and family with Tom Goddard and daughter Osa; Rev. Goleman, Clyde Shaw and family with T. I. Leggett and family.

**BOY SCOUT NEWS**

Sullivan Boy Scout troop No. 1 will spend Saturday, Dec. 12, scouting in the woods on Guy Kellar's place. Mr. Kellar voluntarily gave the Sullivan troop permission to make his woods an out-door head-quarters for the boys. The Scoutmaster, together with the boys and the troop committee, appreciate Mr. Kellar's generosity and his thoughtfulness of the needs of troops. It is such co-operation and the whole hearted co-operation of the parents that makes the boy scout work possible.

The troop, together with the Scoutmaster and the assistant scoutmaster Lee Roughton, will leave the Christian church promptly at 8 o'clock. The partial program for the day will be as follows:

1. Flag raising and flag ceremonies.
2. Tracking. Each tenderfoot must track half a mile in 25 minutes.
3. Instruction in the proper use of knife and hatchet.
4. Recreation.
5. Talk by the Scoutmaster.
6. Prove ability to build a fire in the open, using no more than two matches; care for it and put it out.
7. 12 o'clock cook a quarter of a pound of meat and two potatoes in the open without any cooking utensils
8. Period of instruction and signaling.
9. Go a mile in twelve minutes at scout's pace.

All boys ought to be home between 2 and 3 o'clock.

Gilham Lowe passed the tenderfoot test at the regular meeting last Monday evening.

Geo. M. Anderson, Scoutmaster.

**JASPER WOLF DIED LAST WEEK IN CLAY COUNTY**

Jasper Wolf, a brother of John M. Wolf of this city, died Thursday of last week at his home near Louisville in Clay county, Illinois. He was the oldest of a family of nine children and the first to pass away. He was 65 years of age.

From this city the following motored to Louisville for the funeral: Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wolf, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lambrecht, Carl C. Wolf, Mr. and Mrs. Chal Newbould and daughter Marjory and Mrs. Newbould's mother, Mrs. James.

**HERE'S A SUGGESTION**

Send the folks in Indiana, or Ohio, or California, or wherever they may be, a year's subscription to The Progress as a Christmas present. It will be like a letter from home and will reach them regularly each week. The cost?—only \$1.50 per year anywhere in the U. S.

**Buying Christmas Seals In Moultrie County**

Dear Mrs. Harris: Your letter with seals enclosed and I am returning same, as I am out of work along time. I believe in them but I haven't the work now. Lovington, Ill. 1925.

Mrs. Harris: I am sorry I cannot except these seals in the good cause for which they stand. I am out of work and have been for some time. Mabe next year I can buy \$2.00 worth. Lovington, Ill. 1925.

Springfield, Ill. St. John's Sanitorium. Oct. 17, '24.

Dear Mrs. Harris: I am getting along fine here and like it very much. I have gained about 17 lbs. since I left home and my temperature is normal. I had no idea the good the Christmas Seals do until I came here.

Yours sincerely, Lovington Man.

Mrs. Harris: Enclosing \$1.00 for seals we received yesterday. We are glad to buy them, we believe they stand for a mighty good cause. Arthur, Ill. 1925.

Dear Mrs. Harris: I am returning your seals. I don't believe you should ask the people to buy these seals or send them to any one by mail. If you send me any more I will send them back in the next mail. Letter, 1924.

Dear Mrs. Harris: You sent me \$1.00 seals; enclosing \$2 check as I always buy that many seals every year. We miss the children selling the seals, but really believe the way you are getting the money this year is the better way for the business man. Bethany, Ill. 1925.

Sullivan, Ill., 1925. Dear Madam: Your letter with \$2.00 seals enclosing check for \$5.00.

Sullivan, Ill., R. R. Dear Mrs. Harris: \$1.00 for seals. I hope you receive one dollar from every voter in the county to continue the prevention and the care of tuberculosis cases of Moultrie county.

**LEAVE FOR FLORIDA**

Ralph Hesler, Nate Kite, Ira Newlan and Floyd Freeman left Monday morning in the Hesler car for a motor trip to Miami, Florida. The boys expect to find work and will remain all winter. They have all made several trips to Florida before.—Lovington Reporter.

—Mr. and Mrs. Orman Foster, daughter Jane, Enid Newbould visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Freeland at Bethany, Sunday.

**Here Next Week**



**Attention Children Frank Hasenmueller of THE FAIR STORE**

is in receipt of the following message from Santa Claus and we're sure you are all interested:

North Pole, Dec. 8, 1925

Dear Frank:—

"Have made all arrangements to be with you at The Fair Store next week.

"Tell your little friends that I will see them between the hours of 2 and 3 o'clock on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. I'm dated up elsewhere, beginning Saturday.

"Tell them all to come, for I'll be anxious to see them.

With Love

Santa Claus

**WOULD YOU LIKE IT?**

If you were far away from Sullivan, but had lots of your folks living here, would you like to get a weekly paper from the home town? Sure you would. So do all the rest of the folks, and why not give them a year's subscription to The Progress for a Christmas gift. It only costs \$1.50 sent anywhere in the U. S.

**NOTICE TO HUNTERS**

Hunting and trespassing, day or night, on our premises is strictly forbidden. Kindly heed this notice or face prosecution.

- Ray Chipps
- A. L. Chipps
- W. J. Patterson
- Addie and Emma Evans
- C. W. Darst
- Ed Bayne
- Grant Cochran
- Z. N. Wood
- Dan Robinson
- J. A. Clayton.
- Geo. Purvis. (Land owned and rented.)

- F. A. Graham.
- J. P. Lanum
- J. M. Mosby
- J. B. Tabor
- Buck Spaugh
- Lem Warner (Shuman Farm)
- Lee Vice
- Lowe Burwell
- Charles Crowdsom
- J. E. Daum
- C. C. McKown
- J. E. Watkins
- Guy Bolin
- Guy Kellar
- J. E. Righter
- S. P. Purvis (Land owned and rented).

- William E. Selock
- U. G. Dazey
- Elizabeth Ginn
- Illinois Masonic Home
- Ralph Underwood
- Charles Patterson
- T. V. Drew
- Burr Wood
- Daugherty Bros.
- Mrs. Nelson Powell (Bruce and E. Nelson farms.)
- E. A. Ellis

(The Progress, will add your name to this notice to run weekly for only 50c for the hunting season. Call phone 128)

**- Candidate's - Announcements**

We are authorized to announce that H. H. Hawkins is a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Representative in the Legislature from the 24th Senatorial District. Primary Tuesday, April 13th

**For a Merry Christmas**



**BUY Practical Gifts**

What to give will not prove much of a problem if you call here to do your Christmas shopping. Whether for children or grown-ups you will find here some article that will be very appropriate and sure to please. We list below a few suggestions.

- CUTLERY**  
Pocket knives, all kinds; kitchen cutlery, razors, strops, brushes, safety razors, clippers, scissors, etc.
- THINGS ELECTRICAL MAKE DANDY GIFTS**  
Irons, toasters, heating pads, curling irons, marcel wavers, batteries, Burgess flashlights.  
Coleman gas lamps and lanterns.
- FOR THE BOYS AND GIRLS**  
Coaster wagons \$1.65 to \$8.00.  
Velocipedes \$3.65-\$11.65  
Sleds, \$1.35 to \$2.40.  
Scooters \$3.00 to \$6.00.  
Air Rifles \$1.50 to \$5.00.



Mother will appreciate ALUMINUM OR PYREX. Makes very nice presents with wide range to select from; aluminum ware from 5c to \$5.50; Pyrex 25c up.

**NATIONAL MAZDA LIGHT BULBS** All sizes; get a supply to light up the home during the holiday season. SPECIAL!

How about a food chopper? Vacuum bottles, lunch kits, wash machines and wringers. A full line of granite ware.

Dozens of other good articles which are fine for Christmas giving. Call and let us show you.

STOVES, RANGES, OIL HEATERS

**J. M. DAVID HARDWARE**

SOUTH SIDE SQUARE

SULLIVAN, ILLINOIS

# Celebrating Christmas

By ANNA DEMING GRAU

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WE SHALL have to go farther back than the Christian era to find the source of Christmas celebration for we borrowed it from the nations existing long before the coming of the Christ Child. Christmas came from early Egyptian civilization, from the Teutonic barbarians, or the pagan Greek and Roman nations—or perhaps from all of them. But in the days of the early Christians Christmas ceased to be observed merely as a day of merrymaking and feasting. They celebrated it as a day of good will and kindness, the bestowing of gifts, and a time of peace, but they considered it a holy festival and too filled with solemnity and sacred joy to be made a time of hilarity and boisterous jollity.

That the very date is uncertain makes little real difference. In those early days of the Christians they thought it following the heathenish customs to observe birthdays. We cannot wonder at this when we remember that every god and goddess, every noted man, and every animal considered sacred, must each have a



special day of feasting and festivity. It is not strange that they should have come to a time when they put the whole custom aside, and celebrated none at all, not even the birthday of the Child of Bethlehem.

It was not until four hundred years later, not until Christianity had triumphed and become a recognized factor in the world that they even began to question the real date of Christ's birth.

The Western empire had accepted December 25 as the date, and the Eastern churches celebrated January 6, while other dates from September 29 to May 20 were observed, and each of these with some good reason for its selection. It was Pope Julius who finally settled the controversy by accepting the ruling of the Western church and established December 25, and by the middle of the Fourth century this date was generally recognized. In the pagan nations this had been the time when a festival of joy took place, because it was then that the sun was supposed to begin to recede from the equator.

They celebrated the 21st of December by all manner of licentious revels

and heathen debauchery, and even



after the coming of Christianity it was centuries before these pagan customs and practices were eliminated. And it was not until after the Middle Ages that the meaning and the significance of the season began to dawn upon the minds and hearts of men.

In old England Christmas became a time of feasting, drinking and hilarious merrymaking—not a very advanced conception, but a step beyond the pagan idea. Later the spirit of Puritanism began to influence English customs and public zeal ran so high that all gaiety and all festivity came to be considered sinful.

All observances of special days were declared designed by the "devil," and the famous Roundhead parliament set aside the celebration of Christmas, Easter and Whitsuntide.

For twelve years no special days were observed in England, and when they were once more taken back into favor the result was what might have been expected, for the Christmas season became a time of feasting, drinking, dancing and wild revel, lasting for twelve days and nights. The lord of misrule came into existence—this was the chosen master of festivities, into whose hands the keys of the house were given and whose word was law while the revel lasted. The days and nights were full of "all manner of hilarity, and a most wild and merrie time was had," we are told.

At first only the royal households had these lords of misrule, but the custom spread until almost every household had its ruler of the season's revels. But gradually, as time passed, these wild celebrations gave place to festivals none the less joyous, but more befitting the season.

The ceremony of bringing in the Yule log was observed, of decorating the house with holly and mistletoe,



the lighted candle in the window, and the midnight singing of carols.

Still later Christmas became a day marked by bountiful dinners given to the poor by rich landowners, rather than merely a time of feasting and merrymaking.

And slowly the real Christmas spirit is coming more and more into the hearts of humanity, as we grow each year to better understand the song the angels sang that starlit night on the Judean hills. And "on earth peace, good will to men," means more with each recurring year as we open our hearts to the Child of Bethlehem.

Instead of trying to do bigger things than your neighbors, why not try doing better things?

## ADVISE ONLY THREE MONTHS' OPEN SEASON ON MUSKRATS

As a staple in the American fur market the muskrat is generally considered the most important fur animal. Since it is also used for meat, it has a claim for preservation as a natural resource. Although injurious in some localities, for the most part it inhabits places unsuited to agriculture. Muskrats increase much more rapidly than do other fur bearers, and because of their general habits and life in and near water, they are better fitted than most fur animals to maintain their numbers under the little protection now given them.

Open seasons for muskrats last more than three months in 23 states, although the fur is still prime when and in 10 states this animal is still entirely unprotected. In only 11 states is the season three months or less. In two states the muskrat is protected throughout the year. In the opinion of the Biological Survey of the United States Department of Agriculture, muskrats in the United States should not be taken before December 1, and the breeding season is in progress in the latter part of March, continued trapping would greatly affect the number of young animals produced for the next year. The open season recommended by Government biologists is limited to three months, December 1 to March 1, or, in the more northern states, December 15 to March 15.

## INCREASING PREVALENCE OF SEVERAL INSECT PESTS

Reports on insect pest conditions are received by the Bureau of Entomology of the United States Department of Agriculture from all parts of the United States and from Canada. Certain insects appear to be more than usually troublesome in some parts of the country recently. Grasshoppers seem to be much more prevalent than usual throughout the New England and Middle Atlantic States, extending westward into the Ohio River Valley to Missouri. The chinch bug is reported as increasing in threatening numbers in the northeastern part of Indiana. This insect is also threatening a considerable area in Illinois, Missouri and Nebraska. The corn earworm is again prevalent in the southern New England States, Middle Atlantic States, and the Upper Atlantic States, and the Upper Mississippi Valley. Heavy flights of the moths were observed in late September in Connecticut and about the middle of September in Indiana and Illinois.

The apple maggot is reported as abundant in Massachusetts and eastern New York. The San Jose scale is serious in Virginia, Georgia, and Illinois. The beet webworm is doing damage in districts as widely separated as Virginia, Kansas, Nebraska, Utah and Idaho. Other serious pests are bean thrips on cotton, in Southern California, spanworm on larch in Wisconsin and Michigan, and fleas in Kansas, Missouri and Ohio.

If Sullivan ever gets a big payroll factory, it will be largely through the efforts of the home-town merchants. They are boosting for Sullivan. Show that you are with them by doing your Christmas shopping in their stores. Quality and quantity considered, they give you most value for your dollar.

## THAT DERN FURNACE

Now are we come upon those days When one can never know Just when to rouse the furnace fire And when to keep it low. One day we rise with chilly shins And shivers down our spine And look on skies that seem to say The sun will never shine. And straightway down the cellar steps We dash on icy feet To coax a bashful furnace fire To show a little heat. We open drafts and feed the thing And give the rate a shake, And then finds out the day turns warm And pretty nearly bake. Thus satisfied that warmer days Have come to stay, we smile And let the furnace fire die out To save the coal a while, But, gosh! right off the mercury Drops twenty-two degrees And wifey gets a frozen nose And junior starts to sneeze. It's pretty tough, that's what it is, And makes a fellow blue, But such is life; nobody knows Just what the heck to do. —Exchange.

## CAME HOME TO DIE

"Three years ago I came home thinking 2 or 3 weeks would be my limit to live. I had suffered for 15 years from colic attacks and severe liver and stomach trouble. I happened to see an advertisement of Mayr's Wonderful Remedy and purchased a bottle at the drug store and after taking the first dose I felt better than I had for 15 years. I am now in the best of health—thanks to Mayr's Wonderful Remedy." It is a simple, harmless preparation that removes the catarrhal mucus from the intestinal tract, and allas the inflammation which causes practically all stomach, liver and intestinal ailments, including appendicitis. One dose will convince or money refunded at all druggists everywhere. —Advertisement.

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Special Attention Given to  
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## BISCUITS WITH SWEET MILK OR SOUR

When a housekeeper finds herself with a tried and trusted recipe for biscuits, or cake, or cookies, that calls for sour milk and soda and she has only sweet milk and baking powder on hand, or vice versa, the following rule may be used for substituting, says the United States Department of Agriculture:

When proportions are given in terms of sweet milk and baking powder, an equal quantity of sour milk may be substituted and enough soda used approximately to neutralize the acid, or a scant half teaspoon for each cup of sour milk. In the case of thin batters the soda and sour milk generally furnishes enough leavings, but for thick batters or doughs baking powder is usually needed in addition.

When sweet milk is to be used in place of sour, baking powder is substituted for all of the soda in the proportion of 4-teaspoons of baking powder for 1 teaspoon of soda if no other acid ingredient such as molasses is used. If such an acid ingredient is used, as in gingerbread, some soda is required.

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**George A. Roney**  
GRADUATE OPTOMETRIST  
Hall's Drug and Jewelry Store, West Side Square.

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We have a full line of floor coverings and furnishings. Modern Undertaking Establishment, in charge of Charles F. McClure, licensed embalmer and undertaker. Lady attendant.  
Phone 36 or 21; Night call 344  
SULLIVAN, ILLINOIS

Are the Decatur and Mattoon merchants doing anything to get a shoe factory for Sullivan? You know they are not, so why not show your appreciation and loyalty to the men who are by patronizing the Sullivan stores.

**HOUSE RAISING AND MOVING**  
Also have some house raising jacks for rent.  
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Phone 233-W  
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SULLIVAN, ILLINOIS

## THEY'RE WONDERFULLY GOOD

Our Stock of

# CHRISTMAS NUTS



They are good and fresh and carry that tasteful tang which distinguishes the best from the other kinds. Nuts are always healthful and you'll want a liberal supply of them at Christmas time.

## CANDIES

Our stock of candies this year will be bigger and better than ever. At our attractive bulk prices, you will find it to your advantage to buy your Christmas candies here.



## It takes Ready Money to make the CHRISTMAS MERRY

Adopt the Christmas Savings Club plan to provide the money.

This is a dandy savings plan for any purpose but especially well suited for the Christmas time.

You start with a small payment and pay a certain amount each week. This amount accumulates into a very neat sum about Christmas time and you get your check in time for your Christmas expenditures.

### WHAT SHALL I GIVE HER?

Here's a solution to this question. Start a Christmas Savings account in her name. Make your small weekly payments and when next Christmas time comes, we'll send her a very substantial check with your compliments. Could anything be more practical or more desirable?

The Savings plan offers numerous other ways for gift giving. Come in and let's talk it over.

## The Merchants and Farmers State Bank

SULLIVAN,

ILLINOIS

## Give Groceries for Presents

The tendency is to give useful presents—what can be more useful than a basket of assorted groceries. In such assortment staple groceries, canned goods, package goods, etc. can be included. Bear this in mind and it will materially assist you in solving that Christmas problem of—"what shall I give".

## For Your Own Table

May we here express our appreciation for your patronage since the last holiday season, and hope that we may this year supply you the many good things which you will want for your holiday dinners, parties, etc.

# G. S. THOMPSON

Phone No. 229

SULLIVAN, ILLINOIS

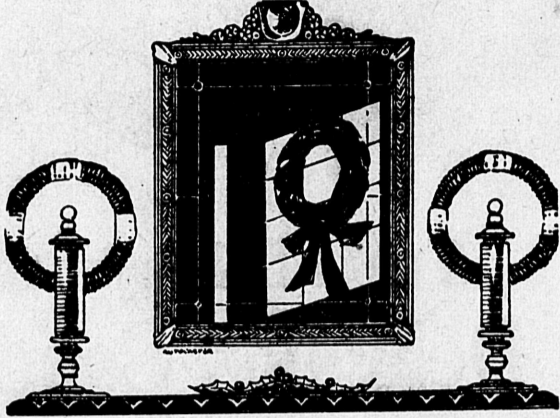
WEST SIDE SQUARE

# FURNITURE

IN EITHER SUITES OR SINGLE PIECES

## Attractive Mirrors of Distinctive Beauty

No matter what style of mirror you may desire, we are sure to be able to please you. Mantel Mirrors are very nice for Christmas giving. The Colonial styles, the ovals, buffet types in handsome frames of many designs.



## Torch Lights

A pair of torch lights will add much to the picturesque effects of your interior furnishings.

## Boudoir Lamps

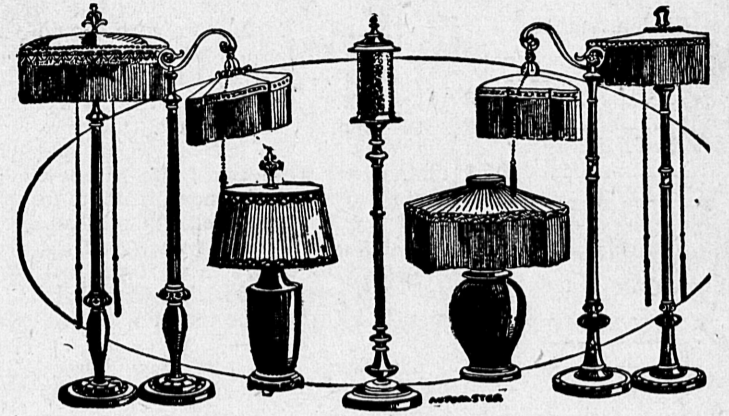
A full line of lamps of this kind; floor lamps, bridge lamps, table lamps, in the various wanted designs. Every home will welcome one of these. Make very appropriate presents.

## Many Beautiful Floor and Table Lamps

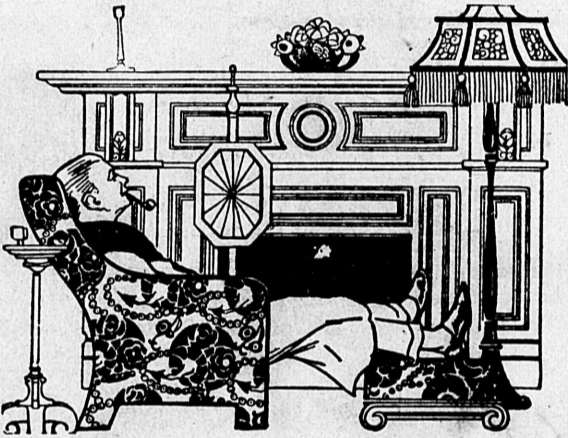
A Floor Lamp is something that every woman would delight to own. For purposes of artistic arrangement of the "best room" they are almost indispensable. These lamps are equipped with two light, pull chain cluster. Shades of silk in delightful color assortments.

The fringes of 4 to 5 inches in length and the braid binding, added to the generally well finished and artistically proportioned designs make a present of this kind a joy forever. For folks who prefer the bridge lamp, we can offer some very nice selections.

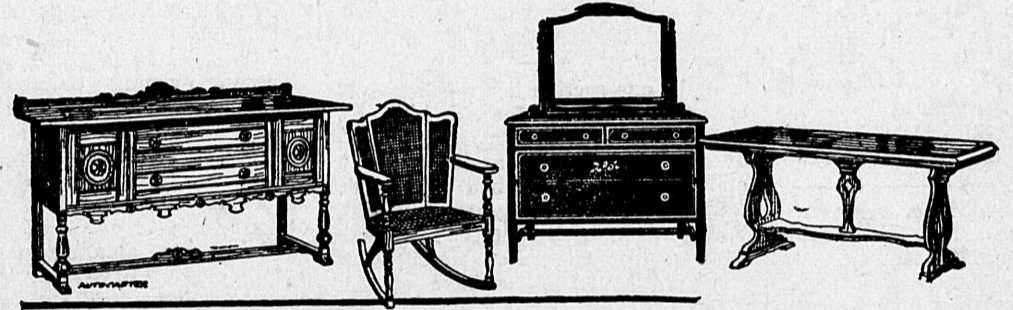
Shop Early



## A Smoking Stand or an Easy Chair for him on Christmas Morning



Husband, son or brother would sure appreciate a nice smoking stand this Christmas. This with a nice easy chair—we have them in various designs—would make this Christmas one which he would long remember in grateful appreciation. If we have not got just what you want, let us get it for you. Do not delay; Christmas will soon be here.



## Single Pieces of Pretty Design

This offers a wide range for Christmas buying. It gives you an opportunity to browse through all of the large stock we now have on our floors. Here are dozens of single pieces which will make very desirable gifts.

Whether for the bedroom, the dining room, the living room, parlor, guest room or kitchen, appropriate selections can be made and reserved at this time. Buy furniture, the most useful of all useful gifts.

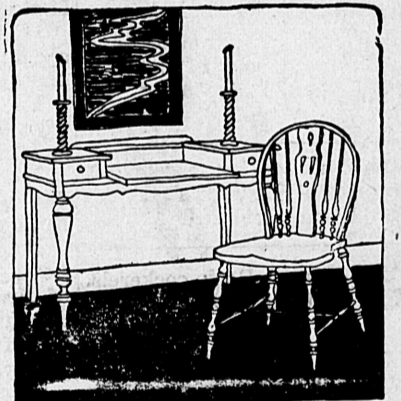
### SOME SUGGESTIONS

- Folding card and sewing tables
- Footstools—Bathroom stools
- Smoking Stands
- Hoosier Kitchen Cabinets
- Solid Oak Dining Room Tables
- Attractive Mirrors
- Boudoir Lamps
- Rugs—Rugs—Rugs
- Small Rugs and room size
- Beautiful Cedar Chests
- Book Ends
- Candle Stick Holders
- Pictures and Frames
- Sewing Cabinets



### ALL VERY DESIRABLE

- Davenport Tables
- Overstuffed Parlor Suites
- Windsor Chairs and Rockers
- Bedroom Suites
- Library Tables
- Parlor Tables and Pedestals
- Spinnet Desks
- Library Desks
- Writing Desks
- High Grade China Closets
- Dining Room Suites
- Enamelled Kitchen Tables
- Chiffoniers—Dressers
- Dressing Tables



How about a Writing Desk?

### FOR THE KITCHEN

Something for the kitchen would be very nice. A white enameled top table will surely please. Buy a Hoosier Kitchen Cabinet. Kitchen stools or chairs are very nice. How about a new linoleum for the kitchen floor?

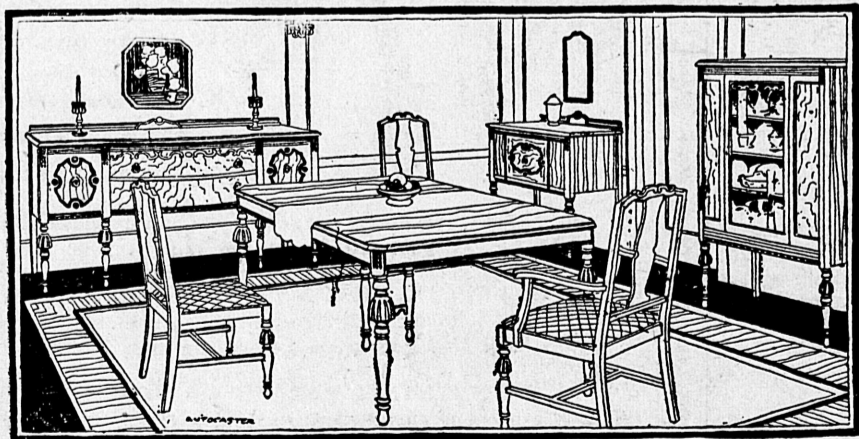
Watch our Show Windows for a display of articles suitable for gift giving -- or better still, come into the store and let us show you the newest and most beautiful designs in furniture and other lines we sell

**SHOP EARLY FOR CHRISTMAS**



### CEDAR CHESTS

No article of furniture makes a nicer Christmas gift for the ladies. Your mother will appreciate one; so will your sister—if she's married she'll have lots of use for it. If she's single she will make a hope chest out of it. Your wife will be delighted if you give her one. Every family can use one or more.

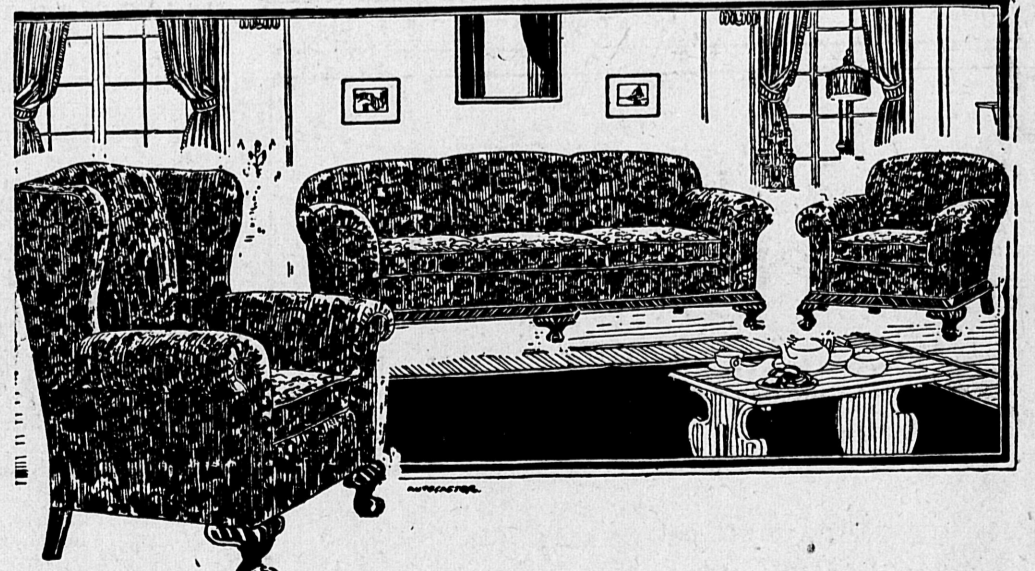


## Dining Room Furniture

Dining room furniture presents a wide range to make your selection from. A whole suit would be very nice, but single pieces are also appropriate. A big oak dining room table is something every housewife wants unless she already has one.

## The Gift Shop

In anticipating your Christmas wants we have endeavored to make of our store, an ideal place for your gift shopping. Besides the articles mentioned on this page, we have numerous other things which will make delightful gifts. Whether you have but a small sum to spend, or want to buy something substantially big, we are sure that we can make your shopping a pleasure.



## THE DE LUXE PRESENT

The gift really worth while is a beautiful parlor suite. Nothing makes a parlor or living room radiate so much of solid comfort and good cheer. If you do not want to buy a whole suite at this time, start by getting a davenport or a number of chairs.

The Early Shopper is  
the wise shopper

**W. R. ROBINSON**  
North Side Square  
SULLIVAN, ILLINOIS

Just twelve shopping  
days till Christmas

# Grade School News

Another six weeks of work has been finished and the examinations written and papers graded and we are giving the results for the classes from the fourth grade through the departmental school. We are listing only the grades of the three highest in each of the rooms or classes:

### Fourth Grade.

Miss Mabel Cazier, teacher.	
Louise Cochran	94
Doris Matheson	93.6
Philip Hagerman	93.5
Miss Juanita Durborow, teacher.	
Letha Bushart	95.6
Eleanor Cummins	95.1
Herbert Schneider	94.3

### Fifth Grade.

Miss Hazel Hidden, teacher.	
Charlotte Baker	96
Mildred Colclasure	96
Helen McCarthy	95.5
Evelyn Dunscomb	94.9
Miss Marie Hoke, teacher.	
Ruth Martin	95.3
Dean Harshman	94
Beatrice Hill	93.8

### Departmental School.

Sixth One.	
Marvine Hill	92.5
Inez Loy	92.1
Marie Venters	91.6

### Six Two.

Margaret Chapin	96.1
Ruth Finley	95.7
Katherine Burville	94.5

### Seven One.

Seven Two.	
Helen Cummins	95.8
Valeria Lundy	95
Albert Price	94.9
Helen Gauger	94
Joseph McLaughlin	93.8
Donnabell Pifer	93.7

### Eight One.

Rose Eden Martin	96.6
Ruberta Luke	93.4
Veron Elder	93

### Eight Two.

Mildred Chapin	96.7
Margaret Thackwell	94.2
Louise English	91.5

At the close of this period we find many close contenders for the third place in all the grades and those who hold this rank will have to do some

hard work or some of the class contenders will take the place from them. The competition is friendly but quite a keen interest is being manifested.

These students who aspired to represent the Sullivan schools in the township spelling contest next Friday had their elimination process Tuesday of this week, and Vernon Elder was the one selected for the event Friday. Vernon is a good speller and our students believe he will be successful in the township event.

Quite a number of pupils in the school and especially in the seventh and eighth grades, are falling low in their work and this I am sure should not be true. There is no necessity for this condition if they will devote the proper amount of time at their work. Each student was given a report of his work for the last six weeks and all parents were asked to inspect those reports and know what their child is doing at school. This I hope you did. If for any reason you did not see your child's card, if you will call at the school building we will be glad to go over this matter with you.

The work on the new Grade building is progressing quite rapidly and we think if there is no great delay we will be able to get into the new quarters holiday week.

The grade teachers of the Sullivan schools, have finished reading the two books required for professional growth. All feel that both books were interesting and helpful in our work.

Eight one section has the best record of attendance for the past six weeks. Their percentage of attendance is 98.7. Their enrollment is 30 and average attendance 29 plus. Miss Hidden's room comes next with 98.5% average attendance. The room ranking third is Miss Durborow's room with 98.15% average attendance. There are two other rooms with 98% average. This I am sure is a good record.

C. L. Brewer, Supt.

### METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

C. D. Robertson, Pastor.  
Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Hugh Murray, Superintendent. The recent campaign in the interest of increased attendance is bearing fruit in the records of most classes. Although Sunday was a stormy day, the attendance was almost up to normal. But there is room for you yet, Morning worship at 10:45 a. m. Sermon by the pastor. Subject "Skylines".  
Evening worship at 7:30 p. m. This is to be a candle-lighting service. Everybody is asked to bring a candle with him to the meeting. If the house is dark do not go away. The pastor will deliver "The sermon of Twelve Candles" if you have no candle don't stay away on that account.  
Epworth League devotional service at 6:30 p. m. Leader, Bonabell Malinsson.  
Prayer meeting every Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.  
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fisher united with the church by letter, at the morning service last Sunday, coming from the church at Lovington.

The Treasurer Hunt came to a successful close last Sunday evening. All of the twenty cards were found, and the pastor presented each of those bringing a card with a small fortune—or what would be in other circumstances. Each successful treasurer received a 100,000 German mark note, worth normally about \$4,000, but now valuable only historically. Basing his thought upon this discrepancy between the real and apparent value of the notes, Mr. Robertson delivered a sermon on "Values" in which he stressed the necessity of acquiring those elements of life which have real and enduring value.

You are very welcome at the church where there are no strangers.

The members of Crystal Chapter and their husbands are invited to attend the installation Tuesday evening, December 15th at 7:30 p. m. Good program and refreshments.

—For Blacksmithing, horseshoeing, and woodwork, go to T. S. Hall's shop, Sullivan.

### THE GOSPEL MISSION

H. H. Smith, Supt.  
9:30 a. m. Sunday School.  
11:00 a. m. Morning worship  
6:30 p. m. Young Peoples Bible study.  
7:30 p. m. Evangelistic services.  
Tuesday evening cottage prayer meeting, this week at G. S. Thompson's. Regular mid-week prayer meeting at Hall on Thursday 7:30 p. m.

I wonder if the devil thought we had gone out of business, when we failed in our announcements last week? Well we have not. While thy servant was busy here and there with other things—and that reminds me, it is a dangerous thing to neglect the things of God for those of the material—I was glad to have several persons call our attention to the absence of the items, for that was proof that some one was reading them.

We were glad for those in attendance for the different services throughout the day while it could have been better, we are not complaining. You remember the scripture says, with reference to our Lord, that he was in the Synagogue on the Sabbath Day, as his custom was. We only wish more folks were like our Saviour in that respect, as well as in many other ways. If you are a Christian you need to be in some place of worship. You may not feel the need of it yourself, but others feel the need of you and no man liveth unto himself. The encouraging hand shake, and the kindly smile somehow help us through and over the hard places the following week. Think it over, and remember we are saved to serve.

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Visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Burks last week were, Misses Matilda Bathe, Fern Elzy, Velva Sullivan, Chester Drew and Lawrence Pearson; Mr. and Mrs. Murray Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Mayberry and family, Mrs. J. E. Watkins and Mr. and Mrs. Chris Monroe and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Burks are the proud parents of a son born, December 3. He has been named James Clayton Burks.

Miss Lola Slover is working in Mattoon for Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Lawson, this week.  
Vera and Carrel Wooley called on Miss Elsie Slover and Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Baker Monday night.  
Dewey Deckard spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Lester Deckard.  
Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Hopper, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Purvis and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Baker and family.  
Granville, Wayne and Lloyd Cochran spent Sunday afternoon with Carrol and Kenneth Wooley.

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Misses Lola, Elsie and Nettie Slover called on Lozellia Nichols Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Edith Purvis and daughter, Marceline, of Sullivan, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bolin and family.  
Mr. and Mrs. Earl Clark, Mr. and Mrs. John Dolan and children spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Bracken.  
Grant Cochran and John Nichols assisted A. L. Wooley with his butch-

ing, Tuesday.  
Russell Slover called on Densel and Merle Powell Sunday afternoon.  
Harry Fifer and sons and Mrs. E. Pugh and daughter spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. George Fifer.  
Leonard Anderson spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harve Anderson.  
Mr. and Mrs. Felix Elder and family called on Mr. and Mrs. Walter Crane and family Saturday night.  
Joe and Teddy Fifer are assisting Jessie Fifer with corn husking this week.  
Mr. and Mrs. Lewie Brown and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Will Hartman and family.  
Mrs. Walter Bolin spent Monday afternoon with Mrs. Ed Slover.  
Intermediate Girls of the Jonathan Creek church entertained the Intermediate class of boys to a chili supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Bolin. Those present were: Mattie Miller, Doris Bolin, William Elder, Hugh and Vern Righter, Edwin Bolin, Marjorie Bolin and Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Bolin.  
Mrs. Ethel Elder of Sullivan spent Thursday with Mrs. Tom Risley.  
Omar Reeves is on the sick list.  
J. R. Bracken is slowly improving.  
Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Powell spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pierce.  
Miss Oma Baker spent Saturday night with Miss Grace Powell.  
Teddy, Millard and Levy Deckard spent Monday with their brother and cousin Dewey Deckard.  
Miss Mildred Powell spent the week end with home folks.

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SALE OF CERTIFICATES  
OF SULLIVAN WATER SUPPLY  
PROGRESSING SATISFACTORILY  
Sullivan people have possibly noticed in the Sullivan papers and if they take the Decatur papers, in those papers, the advertisement of N. L. Rogers and Company with offices at Peoria, Decatur and Danville, offering \$100,000 City of Sullivan 6% Municipal Water Certificates at par.

There were some questions raised by some Sullivan people as to how this offering could be made when certificates had not yet been issued. That means if anything happens either in the getting of water or the fulfilling of the contract by the contractor or if anything is not acceptable, that the money that had been paid for certificates would be returned and the buyers would simply have the money to reinvest.

In case the plan was for some reason not acceptable, there is a protection by the bond of \$100,000 which is put up by the contractor with the city guaranteeing he will complete the contract according to plans and specifications as worked out by the engineers, Holbrook, Warren and Van Praag and approved by the State Board of Health.

Along the same line, the question has been raised as to what would happen if sufficient water were not obtainable as to Certificate holders. The same explanation as above explains this happening. In such an event, the contractors are taking all chances as to the getting of this supply of water and if it is not obtained, the city pays the contractor nothing and the money would be returned to the certificate purchaser and they would again have the money for reinvestment.

Roger and Company have sent two men to Sullivan, Mr. J. J. Wheeler and Mr. E. J. Haines who are stopping at the Savoy Hotel and these men are fully acquainted with all details regarding the offering and have taken a good many orders in town for certificates. They were sent at the request of some of the people who wanted to buy some of the certificates and who felt if given an opportunity, Sullivan people would be very glad to buy the certificates. For that reason, Rogers and Company reserved \$25,000 for the city's use.

It is also a matter of quite a bit of comment, that the Mayor and every member of the City Council according to Rogers and Company, have ordered certificates, and we believe this is quite a compliment paid to the safety of these certificates.  
As is stated in the advertisement of Rogers and Company in this issue of the paper, circulars describing the financial details are obtainable at both the First National Bank and Merchants and Farmers State Bank and at the office of Mayor Patterson.

### NICHOLS DIVORCE SUIT TO TRIAL NEXT WEEK

The Circuit Court will have a session beginning Monday. The first two cases on the docket are those of Felix Feist vs. Grace, a Dalton City case which come here on appeal from justice court. The next case is that of Mabel Nichols vs. Ray Nichols, divorce.  
Indications are that the other criminal cases remaining on the docket which have not already been continued for this term of court will also be taken up.

—Mr. and Mrs. Will Sherman returned to their home in St. Joseph, Missouri, Monday. Mrs. Sherman had spent several weeks at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Eden. Mr. Sherman came the latter part of last week to visit his mother Mrs. Dan Sherman, who has been very ill.

### TABE'S SALES

George A. Roney, an Essex coach; R. E. Wade, Windsor, Essex coach; G. R. Fleming, Chrysler 4 sedan; Thomas Baker, Dort touring; Jay Elder, Overland coupe; Wade Robertson, Studebaker touring; W. J. Gordy, Ford touring; C. H. Miller, Iliopolis, Ford touring; Charles Wm. Cox, Overland Four touring.

### REBEKAH ELECTION

Rhoda Rebekah Lodge No. 167, I. O. O. F. will have its regular meeting Friday night, December 11th, beginning at 7 o'clock. New officers are to be elected and present officers and all members are urged to be present.

—The Ladies of the M. E. church will have a doughnut fry Saturday at the room formerly occupied by the Farm Bureau. Hot lunch at noon. Phone orders for hot doughnuts to J. H. Pearson residence, No. 205.

Do your Christmas shopping in Sullivan; treat the home town merchants fair.



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**WANTED TO RENT**—Experienced young farmer wants to rent a farm of from 120 to 200 acres. Has good equipment. Place where he now lives has been sold. If you have farm for rent address Frank Lukedke, Gays, Illinois. 50-1

**WANTED**—Washings, ironing and sewing. Susan T. Rose, 2112 Roane street, Sullivan. Phone 418x. 50-4\*

**WANTED**—House to house solicitor. Call phone 233-W. Mrs. G. F. Allison, 1403 Campfield street. 50-7

**FOR SALE**—Barred Rock cockerels. Mrs. J. E. Watkins, phone 694. 49-3\*

**FOR SALE**—Plymouth Rock Roosters. Priced to sell.—Arthur, phone 9712.—C. E. Durr. 50-7f

**FOR UPHOLSTERING** and all kinds of furniture work, call Lucas, Phone 462, Sullivan, Ill. tf

**STOVE WOOD** for sale—Cut 14 or 16 inches.—Edgar Martin, Phone 7217 Sullivan. 4-tf.

**MONEY TO LOAN** on farm lands 5 per cent interest—Cochran, Foster & Cochran. 50tf.

**LONG DISTANCE MOVING** at right prices.—W. H. Walker. 12tf

**TIRES AND TUBES**, new and used, right prices.—W. H. Walker. 12th

### EAST HUDSON.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Patterson visited Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Foster and son.

Miss Mabel Mumma of Decatur spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Mumma.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Monroe visited with Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Monroe and daughter Telva Saturday.

Miss Gertrude Monroe spent Friday night and Saturday with Miss Ruth Pearce.

Mr. and Mrs. Loftis Franklin of Lovington are staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Franklin while they are at the bedside of Mrs. Franklin's father in Kentucky.

—For Blacksmithing, horseshoeing, and woodwork, go to T. S. Hall's shop, Sullivan.  
Visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Burks last week were, Misses Matilda Bathe, Fern Elzy, Velva Sullivan, Chester Drew and Lawrence Pearson; Mr. and Mrs. Murray Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Mayberry and family, Mrs. J. E. Watkins and Mr. and Mrs. Chris Monroe and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Burks are the proud parents of a son born, December 3. He has been named James Clayton Burks.

## I will Sell at Private Sale all my household furniture

including some choice pieces. An excellent electric stove, also electric washer. These may be inspected at my residence.

I ALSO HAVE FOR SALE

50 shares Mutual Dairy Products Company Creamery  
1 share M. & F. State Bank

I will also sell at a reasonable price and to a responsible purchaser on easy terms, like rent, MY HOME and ALSO THE BRICK HOUSE occupied by Walt Roley.

R. C. MILLER

**LOCALS**

—M. C. Long returned to his home in Monticello, Sunday evening, after visiting relatives in this city. Richard Kilton accompanied him and will spend about a week at the home of his grandparents.

—Mrs. Belle Christy of Allenville came Monday for a few weeks' stay at the home of Mrs. Tella Pearce.

—The Community Club meeting and banquet Monday night, will be held at the Masonic Hall. The banquet will be served by the Loyal Daughters.

—Mr. and Mrs. Gus Frank returned to their home in Peoria, Sunday after a week's stay at the home of Mrs. A. H. Miller.

—Before you decide on what Radio to buy call and see the Type F-5-M and Type F-5-AW DeForest.—L. T. Hagerman & Co.

—Mrs. Violet Blackwell and Mr. and Mrs. Percy Martin visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Legrand at Allenville, Sunday.

—Mrs. Harriet Bolin returned to her home in Conway, Ark. Sunday after spending about a week at the home of Mrs. A. H. Miller.

—Mrs. G. R. Brown was hostess to the Wednesday Bridge Club, Wednesday afternoon.

—Miss Helen Weber and James Ritchie of Decatur, visited at the home of Mrs. Conard, Sunday.

—Mrs. O. J. Gauger entertained the Twentieth Century club at her home Tuesday afternoon.

—The Missionary Society of the Presbyterian church met at the home of Mrs. Jessie Miller, Wednesday afternoon.

—Mr. and Mrs. Len Loveless went to Casey Wednesday where they spent two days with friends.

—Mrs. Pearl Harsh and children of Decatur, came Monday evening for a visit at the home of Mrs. Harsh's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Palmer.

—Mrs. Hughes of St. Louis, arrived Saturday evening for a visit of several months at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Frank Hasenmueller.

—Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Lewis, son Jack and Mrs. Gertrude Fortner left Wednesday for Indianapolis, Ind. where they spent several days.

—Mrs. T. P. Finley of this city, accompanied by her sister Mrs. Fanny Perry, of Mattoon, returned to their respective homes Saturday after having a ten days' visit at the home of their aunt, Mrs. William Kiefer, at Rock Island.

—Rufus Hagerman made a business trip to St. Louis, Tuesday.

—Mrs. Hattie Foster and Miss Catherine Robinson were Decatur callers, Monday.

—Ted Hagerman spent Monday at Assumption.

—Mrs. Dora Foster of Bethany was a week end visitor at the home of her mother, Mrs. Cynthia Newbould.

—Helen Freeland of Bethany spent the week end at the home of Miss Enid Newbould.

—A dinner was given at 6:30 Thursday evening by the Daughters of Veterans at the K. P. hall in honor of the retiring officer, Mrs. Adilla Burns.

—Miss Mayme Keen will leave the first of the year for Chicago where she will attend the Moni School of Dress Designing.

—Get your Christmas Box candies at Meeker's; none better anywhere. A very nice gift for friends.

—Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Springer, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shirey all of Decatur, visited at the home of J. W. Finley, Friday.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. L. McLaughlin and family and Miss Mayme Keen went to Chicago Friday. The McLaughlin family returned Sunday and Miss Keen returned Tuesday. While in Chicago Mr. and Mrs. McLaughlin attended a banquet for the Kiwanis club at Rainbow Gardens.

—Miss Helen Powers who spent the week end with home folks at Newman, returned Tuesday.

—Mr. and Mrs. George Roney entertained the Junior 500 card club, Monday night.

—Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Woods of Coles spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Alan Short.

—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Burks, a son, Dec. 3rd, name, James Clayton.

—Benjamin Jennings who spent a week with relatives at Bloomington returned Monday.

—Mr. and Mrs. Will Barton returned Monday from a visit with relatives at Springfield.

—Mrs. Mary Shuman left Wednesday for Stuart, Florida, where she will spend the winter months with her son Irving Shuman.

—Dr. and Mrs. Grier of Gays spent the first of the week at the home of their daughter Mrs. J. F. Lawson.

—Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bayne and daughter Anna Mary, visited Sunday with Mrs. Bayne's sister Mrs. Orion Weakley and family at Sexon Corners in Shelby county.

—A party of Sullivan Odd Fellows motored to Moweagua Tuesday night and attended the district meeting of the Shelby county lodges. Those in the party were D. D. Kingery, Will Fortner, George Cogdall, H. V. Siron and Ed C. Brandenburger.

—Thomas Rymer who spent the Summer working for T. J. McIntire and Ray Chipps, left Thursday for Brookville, Indiana, where he intends to spend the Winter months with relatives.

—Dr. A. O. Magill and family of Decatur spent Sunday here at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Magill. Mrs. Magill had been visiting at Waverley and Auburn, returned home with them.

—The Missionary Circle will meet

Saturday night with Mrs. Lora Shasteen. All members are urged to attend and are asked to bring white gifts for the orphanage in St. Louis.

—Mrs. Mattie Smith left for Robinson, Sunday, where she visit relatives for some time.

—Ralph Blystone returned home Friday night from Deland where he has been employed.

—Charles H. Newlin returned to his home in Rockford, Friday after a short visit here with his uncle, H. L. Newlin and family.

**Hon. Wm. Byers For Congress**

A First Class Man Announces His Name for This High and Important Office.

It is with a great deal of pleasure that The Coles County Ledger announces the name of Hon. Wm. Byers of Mattoon, as a Republican candidate for Congress from this, the Nineteenth Congressional district. Mr. Byers has made one race for this office and had it not been that three



WILLIAM BYERS

candidates for this office were in the field he would have received the nomination.

Pretty near everybody knows Billy Byers for he was born and raised in Ashmore township, grew up there on a farm and always had the respect and esteem of all who knew him. The editor of The Ledger has known Mr. Byers for over 40 years and during that time always found him to be honest, upright and fair and square in all his dealings with his fellow men. Not only this but to our certain knowledge Billy has helped to educate a number of poor but deserving young men rendering them financial assistance without the hope of reward only that he desired to give the boys a chance to secure a good education and become useful citizens. Not only this but Bill Byers has always aided in every worthy enterprise—in other words is a man who wears his heart on his sleeve.

Large of stature, large of heart, liberal and conservative in all his views, here is a man that will well worthily represent the agricultural people of our district and the Nineteenth Congressional district is the best in the state of Illinois both in this line and the industrial matters. We need such a man as Bill Byers to represent us and this is the time to send a man to Congress who knows

our wants and needs, who will truly represent us and be an honor to the people.

Coles county has not had a Congressman for over fifty years and now is the time and opportunity to send a man of the People to represent us in the Halls of Congress.

And Billy Byers is the man for the place.—Coles County Ledger, Oakland, Ill. —Adv.

**Women Take Steps to Organize Home Makers Of Moultrie County**

Many Attend Meeting at Farm Bureau Office Tuesday. Speaker From U. of I. Explained What Good Can be Derived From Organization.

The women of Moultrie county held a very enthusiastic meeting at the Farm Bureau rooms Tuesday, for the purpose of organizing the Home Makers of this county.

Miss Kathryn Van Aken, from the U. of I. proved to be an interesting and inspiring speaker.

Every township in the county was represented except Lowe and Marrowbone.

Another county meeting is being planned for the latter part of January at which time it is hoped to elect temporary officers. Meanwhile a committee is busy explaining to the Home Makers the needs and advantages of such an organization.

The following women attended Tuesday's meeting; besides a number who came in after the session opened and did not register:

Mrs. O. R. Miller, Mrs. H. H. Hawkins, Miss Eva Fields, Mrs. Edgar McKenzie, Mrs. Lizzie Walker, Mrs. Reta Wilson, Mrs. Della Garrett, Mrs. Guy Kellar, Mrs. Hattie E. Pifer, Mrs. Jessie F. Scott, Mrs. Elizabeth Shirey, Mrs. Esther Hall, Mrs. Florence Hogue, Mrs. Frank Doughty, Mrs. Jessie Wood, Mrs. Leona Stone, Mrs. Nannie M. Birch, Mrs. Katherine Higgins, Mrs. Stella Ellis, Mrs. Lillie Garrett, Miss Lizzie Wood, Mrs. Carrie Landers, Mrs. Ellen Dolan, Mrs. Ione Thomas, Mrs. Ethel Elder, Mrs. Frances Loy, Mrs. Lora Shasteen, Miss Lola Vaughan, Mrs. J. W. Hoskins, Mrs. E. P. Hall, Mrs. Delmar Selock, Mrs. Jas. Morrison, Mrs. J. L. Mayes, Mrs. J. A. Powell, Mrs. Nora Oliver.

**P.-T. ASS'N MEETING**

The regular meeting of the Parent-Teachers Association will be held Monday evening, Dec. 14 at 7:30 at the South Side school. The following program will be given:

Business session.  
Songs by Girls Chorus.  
Address—Dr. Don Butler.  
Violin Solo—Miss Dorothy Hall.  
Playlet, "Which Ma are You?"  
The characters are:  
Mrs. N. Thuse Asm—Mrs. Eva Hill  
Mrs. Howe Boring—Mrs. Leone Martin.  
Mrs. B. Lig Rant—Mrs. Cora Brown.  
Mrs. Hans Full—Mrs. Grace Sona.  
A good attendance is desired.

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**CONGREGATION PLANS TO ERECT NEW CHURCH**

The Church of Christ congregation of which Noah Smith is a leader in this community, is planning to have a church building of their own at some near future date. At present the services are held in the room at the Northeast corner of the Square.

The congregation recently bought from H. V. Siron the lot at the corner of Van Buren and Monroe streets, where his blacksmith shop is located. The building on this lot is said to be one of the oldest in Sullivan and was a tavern back in the days

when Abraham Lincoln was a circuit riding attorney.

The congregation which now owns the place does not expect to get started building for perhaps a year or more and in the meantime Mr. Siron will continue his blacksmithing business.

**BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR HELEN HARSH BAKER**

A number of little friends were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Harsh, Sunday afternoon in honor of Helen Harsh Baker's second birthday. Twelve guests were present. The afternoon was spent

playing games. The favors consisted of small santa claus. Refreshments consisted of pink and white ice cream.

Those present were: Helen Gramblin, Betty Clark, Kathryn McFerrin, Mary Lucille Cook, Mary Margaret Hasenmueller, Joy Frederick, Wynone Price, Billy VanSickle, Billy Cooley, Richard Foster and Bobby Doner.

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**A Few Points of Information Regarding CITY OF SULLIVAN 6 per cent MUNICIPAL WATER CERTIFICATES**

1. The contract with Layne & Bowler provides that if 1,000 gallons per minute is not obtained, Layne & Bowler will pay all costs of their work, the matter will be dropped—and the City will be out NOTHING.
2. The City will pay from the General Tax Fund as rental for 75 hydrants.... \$4,500  
The engineer estimates for domestic users of water at \$18.00 minimum annual charge ..... 9,000  
The estimate revenue from railroads based on minimum charge..... 3,500  
**TOTAL REVENUE .....** \$17,000
- The engineer estimates total operating expenses, including electric power, labor, repairs, taxes, supplies..... 3,500  
**Estimated Yearly Net Revenue.....** \$13,500
- This is 1 1/2 times the average amount of \$9,218 necessary to pay interest and principal charges during life of these certificates.
3. The water revenue is the only money received by the City that must be used for no other purpose except payment of expenses at Water Plant, interest and principal on these certificates.
4. If sufficient revenue is not received—the water rates must be raised enough to produce a sufficient amount.
5. A first mortgage on entire improvement is given to Millikin Trust Company at Decatur, trustee, who will collect and disburse interest and principal.
6. The Treasury Department at Washington has ruled that such Certificates as these are entirely exempt from all Federal Income Taxes.
7. We are selling Certificates now, when, as and if issued. The money received is put in escrow until and as Certificates are delivered. If anything happens to keep certificates from being issued, your money will be returned, with 6 % interest.

We take pleasure in announcing (among others) the following subscriptions, which we believe proves the high regard for these Certificates held by the City Councilmen:

Alderman F. W. McPheeters Mayor C. R. Patterson Alderman C. E. McFerrin  
Alderman W. K. Birch Alderman J. F. Lawson Alderman C. E. Hankley

We understand from the Contractor that work will begin sometime next week. CIRCULARS MAY BE OBTAINED AND ORDERS MAY BE LEFT AT FIRST NATIONAL BANK—MERCHANTS AND FARMERS STATE BANK—OFFICE OF C. R. PATTERSON, MAYOR.

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"THE WINDING STAIR"  
A Fox Special

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12**  
Fred Thomson in  
"ALL AROUND FRYING PAN"

**SUNDAY AND MONDAY,**  
DEC. 13 and 14  
Johnny Hines in  
"THE LIVE WIRE"

**TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY**  
DEC. 15 and 16  
Mae Murray in  
"THE MARKED BRIDE"

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17**  
Evelyn Brent in  
"ALIAS MARY FLYNN"

DECEMBER 22 and 23  
**"Pretty Ladies"**  
DECEMBER 24 and 25  
Harold Lloyd in "Hot Water"

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In daintily designed containers these exquisite Perfumes make a most delightful gift item. You may easily determine her favorite—and we will do the rest. Leave your order for the quantity and packing preferred. \$1.00 UP TO \$7.50.



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White Ivory, Kodaks, and kodak supplies, Stationery, Christmas Cards, Amity line bill folds, popular copyright books. Also a nice line of articles which will make appropriate presents for the men folks.

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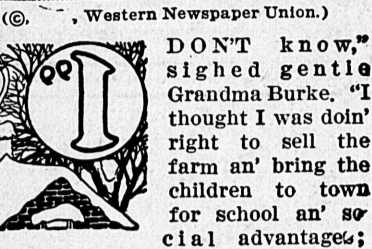
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**Parker's Duofold Fountain Pen and Pencil Set**

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# Grandma's Christmas

By Frank Herbert Sweet



**D**ON'T know," sighed gentle Grandma Burke, "I thought I was doing right to sell the farm an' bring the children to town for school an' social advantages; but with picture shows an' danclin'—I don't know."

She cleaned her wrinkled and capable hands from the dough and turned to see that the fire and kettle of melted lard were just right. They were. Then with deft, experienced fingers she began to drop twisted bits of dough into the hot lard, which in a few minutes changed them to crisp doughnuts.

"Such appetites," she nodded to herself happily. "Sue an' Kate an' May are always just as hungry as Tom an' Win, or even big Sam who's grown up an' steadied down to regular work. I've will rush in from School, an' Sam later, an' all will grab up doughnuts. An' how they will eat!" She giggled reminiscently. "I do wish daughter Nell could have lived to see 'em grow up so, even May fourteen, an' her twin Win almost as big's his brother. Nell would have done better by 'em, of course, but I've done my best."

The outer door was flung open and a rush of many feet crowded into the hall. Grandma looked up expectantly. But the feet stopped at the parlor floor, and a subdued hubbub of voices arose.

Grandma sighed again, and bent lower over her work. "Them flutter-

budgets, Rose an' Jenny, from across the way, an' Tom's chum, Andy Smith. Plannin' another dance, likely. I wonder if any one of 'em remembers tomorrow's Christmas? I do wish the flutter—" Grandma cut off what she wished by closing her lips tightly. But only for a minute, then her thoughts went on in a different key. "I won't be a crosspatch the day before Christmas," the moving lips emphasized the change of thought. "They're just bubblin', healthy children, an' Sam's already quieted down from a lively boy, an' the others will in time, an' Rose an' Jenny an' Andy are flutters just because they can't hold in. The hall door opened softly, and a fuzzy head and snapping eyes appeared. It was Rose Cady.

"What does my nose smell?" she questioned, sniffing. "It tells me I'm hungry. May I come in?"

"Of course, dear."

Rose shot in, one hand outstretched. "May I?" she begged.

"All you can carry," beamed Grandma. "They're just right to eat now, while hot. I wonder why the children—"

The key turned, and a few moments later the sound of strained and heavy steps passed through the front doorway and into the parlor.

"Gettin' ready for a dance, an' that's the Smith music box they're bringin' in. Likely they're up to a lot o' decoratin', an' ain't give a thought to Christmas comin'. I wish—no, they're just high-spirited young folks makin' ready for a good time. That's all."

But in spite of herself there was a shadow on Grandma's face the rest of the day. She had hoped for a big surprise Christmas dinner, all to themselves, with no intruders.

She mixed and baked until after midnight, then slipped through the side door to her room. She was awakened by a slight step.

"W-h-y, Grandma," reproved the merry voice of Kate. "Nine o'clock! and you're still in bed. Not ill, are you?" with a sudden note of anxiety.

"No," apologized Grandma—"just overslept."

"All right. Merry Christmas! And come right into the hall when you're dressed. You may look now."

Grandma rose hurriedly. She heard the voices of Rose and Jenny Cady, and even Ed's.

"Not even a family Christmas together," her thought deplored. "And here so early means a lot more fixin' for the dance. I'd like—for 'em to have a nice time, of course," she thought finished loyally. "Young folks need pleasure."

As she opened the door to the hall there came low strains of music. Grandma looked startled for a moment, then a soft flush of pleased surprise came to her face. It was a Christmas hymn they had been accus-



A Christmas Hymn They Had Been Accustomed to Sing.

tomed to sing at home when she was a girl, and she had carried it on with her grandchildren. But she never had heard it in music.

In her eagerness she stepped to the parlor doorway, which was almost hidden in greenery. Suddenly two pairs of arms were inclosing her neck, and one pair belonged to Rose. Other arms were reaching for her; and beyond, hesitating Sam, who was too big to kiss anybody, lifted his arms.

"Why—why, my dears," murmured Grandma, looking bewildered.

"Look up," laughed Sue.

Grandma did, and there was a huge bunch of mistletoe over the door.

"Lead the queen to her throne and render homage," ordered Kate.

There was a raised chair decorated with holly and mistletoe, near one side of the fireplace. Grandma was conducted to it deferentially, then the ushers sank to their knees with grave faces but snapping eyes.

"Hail to the queen of love and the kitchen," they chanted, and Jenny added, "including crisp doughnuts."

"Oh, my dears—my dears," softly.

"Now for the distribution of presents," cried May, springing up. Grandma had noticed rotund stockings along the fireplace, with an extra large one near her end, and sundry packages on the floor underneath.

The big stocking was laid on her lap, and packages began to follow. She recognized things she had wished, and books she had mentioned a desire to read. For Grandma, in spite of her perfect housekeeping, loved to read.

"I—I thought it was for a dance," she faltered, her hands caressing the gifts.

"O-o-oh, Grandma!" The idea! On this day! It's for all of us, but mostly you."

Rose and Jenny were dancing about, as pleased as any of the family. Grandma's tremulous hands reached out and drew them close.

"You must stay with us all day, dears," she urged happily—"and Bill, too. There's plenty an' te spare cooked. Christmas has begun so wonderful that you must help us carry it through."

**FRED KIRKENDOLL FINED**  
Fred Kirkendoll who was arrested last week on a charge of stealing a quantity of aluminum from W. H. Walker, entered a plea of guilty to the charge in the county court and was fined \$7.50 and costs. Upon payment he was released.

**FARMERS!**  
Are you reading this? Nearly all farmers in this community read The Progress. They'll see and read your Public Sale adv. if you put it in this paper. Let us print your bills in two colors. They cost no more.

—Mrs. Frank Burns has been on the sick list.

**BOWMAN COMPANY PAYS 25-CENT PREMIUM FOR MILK OF TESTED COWS**  
Dairymen of the Chicago milk territory who have tested their cattle and who sell milk to the Bowman Dairy Co., one of the biggest distributors in Chicago, are receiving a premium of 25 cents a hundred, beginning with Dec. 1st, according to a report of the Illinois Agricultural Association to the Moultrie County Farm Bureau. The Bowman Company along with other Chicago distributors, had been paying \$2.55 a hundred for all milk, regardless of source. The new price to farmers with tested herds is \$2.75. Dairymen with untested cattle will be paid only \$2.50.

In addition to this penalty for not having tested herds, the company is paying only \$2.10 for surplus milk, but no milk coming from herds under state and federal supervision will be classified as surplus, the company's officials state.

This premium for tuberculin-free milk is a goal sought by the Farm Bureau and the Illinois Agricultural Association for the past three years and now that one company has seen fit to establish a premium for the farmer who produces the higher quality of safe milk, the state bureau will continue its efforts to get as many distributors as possible to pay the premium, the report states.

This profit, granted to farmers who believe in tuberculosis eradication, and are cooperating in the work, is in addition to the 10 cent a hundred premium paid by Chicago and St. Louis markets for hogs coming from T. B. free counties reported by the federal and state departments as "accredited areas."

**LIMESTONE RATE ON WABASH RAILROAD SAVES \$9,000 IN FOUR MONTHS**  
Illinois farmers living in 21 counties served by the Wabash railroad are gaining a saving of nearly \$2,000 a month in limestone transportation costs due to an agreement secured by J. R. Bent director of the phosphate-limestone department of the Illinois Agriculture Association, according to information coming to the Moultrie County Farm Bureau.

This saving to Farm Bureau members was brought about on August 17 of this year when officials of the Wabash lines agreed to absorb a portion of the cost of switching at origin of shipments of limestone intended for delivery at Wabash points in Illinois. This meant an average saving of approximately \$10 a car on the transportation cost. Since the agreement was arranged, close to 900 cars have been hauled by the railroad, with the result of a saving of nearly \$9,000 to Illinois farmers in less than four months' time.

Director Bent has stated that this special rate agreement was first accepted by the Wabash Company as an experimental proposition for the balance of 1925. The results, however, have been so satisfactory that the railroad officials have consented to extend the rate for 1926 and may become permanent.

"I hope," states Director Bent, "that this will encourage the farmers and farm advisers in extending the use of agricultural limestone in the counties concerned."

Counties affected by this special limestone rate are: Adams, Brown, Champaign, Christian, Cook, Ford, Effingham, Grundy, Hancock, Liv-

**BREAKS A LEG**  
Wayne Brightman broke his left leg in three places below the knee a few days ago, when a horse he was riding, fell and pinned him beneath it. The accident occurred on the hill near the Stringtown bridge, west of Lovington. The boy will be laid up for several months. He is a student in the Lovington high school. Wayne is the son of Ed Brightman, the family residing several miles northwest of here.—Lovington Reporter.

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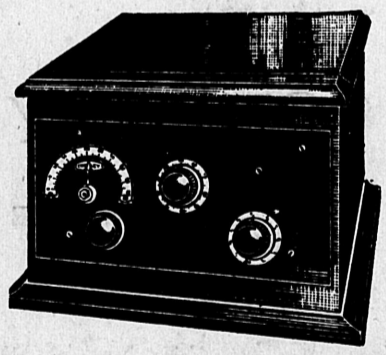
## A Radio does not have to be Expensive to be Good

Crosley Radio is like all good radio in that it offers a choice of the country's broadcasting and delivers it clear and true into your home.

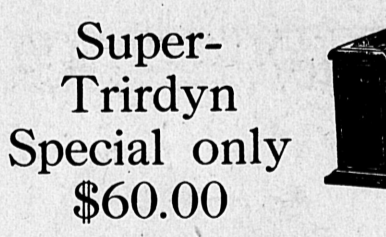
**Trimmings are Costly**  
Crosley Radio differs from others in that money is not spent extravagantly to build such apparatus. The parts that do the work are simple and not costly.

Crosley prices are close to the manufacturing costs and are influenced, too, by tremendous manufacturing facilities.

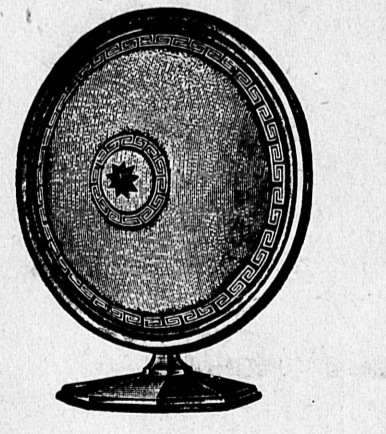
Crosley Radio installed will give you everything Radio has to offer and do it at a very reasonable price.



Two-Tube Special De Luxe only \$23.50



Super-Trirdyn Special only \$60.00



Crosley Musicone Only \$14.75

**Crosley Prices are \$9.75 to \$112.50**  
This range covers nine different makes at prices that all can afford. It comes in simple, neat, trim cabinets—mahogany, beautifully finished—articles of beauty, well designed—but not extravagantly decorated.

Crosley gives the world good radio at Low Prices because he sticks closely to his big idea—"Better apparatus made in such quantity that it Costs Less."

This will be a Radio Christmas. Get one for your home.

**W. F. Wiedner**  
PHONE NO. 111. SULLIVAN, ILL.

**FRED KIRKENDOLL FINED**  
Fred Kirkendoll who was arrested last week on a charge of stealing a quantity of aluminum from W. H. Walker, entered a plea of guilty to the charge in the county court and was fined \$7.50 and costs. Upon payment he was released.

**FARMERS!**  
Are you reading this? Nearly all farmers in this community read The Progress. They'll see and read your Public Sale adv. if you put it in this paper. Let us print your bills in two colors. They cost no more.

—Mrs. Frank Burns has been on the sick list.

## The Wallace Way

To better vision is a safe and sane route for defective eyed people to travel.

For almost twenty (20) years People of this vicinity have been receiving that quality eye SERVICE which speaks for a certain high degree of satisfaction.

If any question arises as to your eyes you should consult some authority.

We are here at Robinson's store, 3rd Saturday of each month for that purpose.

**NEXT DATE DECEMBER 19**

**Frank Wallace**  
INCORPORATED  
**EYE SERVICE**  
OPTOMETRISTS

256 N. Main St.,  
**DECATUR, ILLINOIS**

# PUBLIC SALE BILLS

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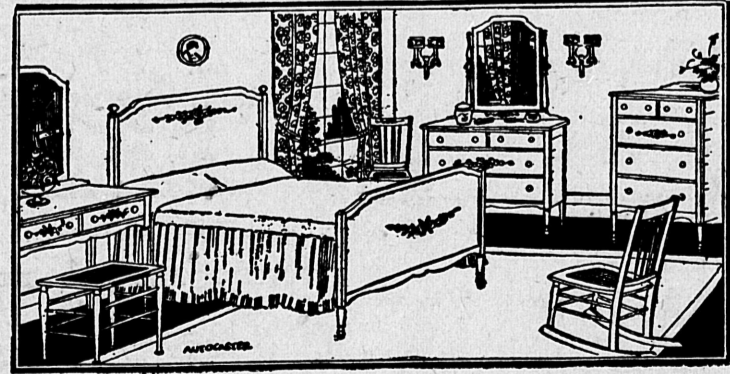
COST NO MORE THAN THE ORDINARY KIND AND ATTRACT TWICE AS MUCH ATTENTION

## GET OUR PRICES

If you want the farmers to know about your sale advertise it in The Progress, the paper which nearly all farmers in this community, read.

## The store for substantial and beautiful gifts

A present for the home that will be sure to please is a bedroom suite, a dining room suite, or new furnishings for any room in the home. Such a present would bring happiness and comforts for many years to come.



We have this year one of the largest stocks of furniture that we have ever offered you. This assures you of a large assortment from which to make your selection for your Christmas giving.

Chairs, rockers, tables of the various makes, floor lamps, pictures, rugs, trays, etc., are here in the styles and designs which are sure to please. May we have the pleasure of showing you?

**C. A. CORBIN**  
Furniture—Undertaking

SOUTHSIDE SQUARE SULLIVAN, ILLINOIS

## And The Story Was Never Told

By "Rube" Goldberg

Autocaster Service  
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By R. L. Goldberg



### SHELBY CO. GIRL WINS PRIZE AS POULTRY RAISER

Early last spring the Western Railways' Committee on Public Relations, Chicago, Illinois, offered a prize of a trip to the International Live Stock Exposition and National Boys and Girls Congress at Chicago, Illinois, to the boy or girl in each state in Western territory who was judged to have done the best work under the direction of the State Agricultural College in the Boys and Girls Club movement during the year 1925.

The prize for the state of Illinois was awarded to Hazel Quicksall of Stewardson, Shelby county, who won on her success in poultry club work.

Hazel is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Quicksall of Stewardson. She graduated from the grade school at Wabash at the age of 14 and is now in her second year at the Stewardson High School.

Hazel was chosen this year as a member of her poultry club demonstration team, which won first prize in the county contest at Shelbyville, and also in the contest at the Aurora fair. Her team also won second prize at the Springfield fair.

One of the conditions of competition in the contest proposed by the Western Railways' Committee, was that the winner from each state should prepare an essay on the subject: "What the Railroad Means to the Farmer". The essay written by Hazel Quicksall is presented herewith.

#### What the Railroads Mean to the Farmer

The railroads are one of the most important services of today for many reasons. If it were not for the railroads many people could not live for the lack of products and merchandise. The northern people would go without green vegetables during the winter which are brought from the South. The products which are produced by the farmer do him no good if he has no way to transport them to possible buyers.

Without the railroads it would be impossible to get the daily mail to the farmer. The farmer would be unable to get limestone to his farm to build the soil up so he could produce better crops. The railroads caused the land to become more valuable and some territories to become more inhabited. People have realized that if a farmer does not live within a few miles of

a railroad station it costs him more to haul grain to the freight car than to freight it half way across the continent. If, then, there were no trains, only those farmers who live near lakes or navigable rivers or canals could raise products cheaply enough to sell them to the outside world at a profit. Most farming districts would have to be largely self-sustaining, producing not only food but also flax, cotton or wool for the homespun clothing and timber for houses and furniture. There are many miles of land now occupied which could not do this, as, for instance, the open prairies of North Dakota. Most of the mineral wealth of the continent would lie untouched for it would cost more than the value of the iron, copper or coal to bring those products to market. The people of one section of the country would be strangers to their fellow-citizens of another; after a time it might be impossible to hold them all under one government.

There wouldn't be as many boys and girls go from their home community to other parts of the states and demonstrate their own club work. There wouldn't be as many of us farm boys and girls attend the International Live Stock Exhibition at Chicago, if it were not for the railroads.

#### IF YOU DON'T WANT YOUR CHRISTMAS PACKAGES TO GO ASTRAY, FOLLOW THESE

Here are the rules for wrapping Christmas packages for mailing: as sent out by United States Postoffice Department.

"Fragile articles of all kinds need the protection of a box or other outside container in addition to paper used for cushioning.

"When several loose articles are to be wrapped in a single package they should be first tied together to prevent any 'play' or shifting.

"Paper-wrapped packages are subject to the following common-sense rules:

- "1. Strong, tough paper should be used—the kind you cannot easily punch a hole in with your finger.
- "2. Pliable paper should be used—the kind that does not crack when it is folded.
- "3. New paper is better than used.
- "4. When used paper is employed it must be free from holes, cracks and

tears.

"5. The heavier the package and the greater the distance it is to travel, the thicker the paper should be or the greater the number of sheets to be used, and always strong, tough and pliable sheets.

"6. Use two sheets, unless you are sure one is strong enough.

"The twine used in tying should also be strong and should be drawn tight, because much handling induces stretching.

"The twine should be in one piece and each crossing should be knotted to prevent slipping. Long, narrow packages should have several such crossings. Paper tape is permissible on parcel post packages only under certain conditions. Ask your post-master.

"Just as important as wrapping and tying is marking. Never use pencil. Use water-proof crayon, ink or stencil and mark plainly.

"Always address to street and number. Spell out the state. Precede return address with the word 'From.'"

#### KNOW ILLINOIS

Major Rufus W. Putman, Corps of Engineers, U. S. A., estimated that between 6,500,000 and 7,000,000 tons of freight will pass through Chicago by water, annually, at a cost of 50 cents a ton less than it now costs, if the proposed waterways projects are carried out.

Illinois has constructed more than 5,000 miles of hard or permanent roads since 1912.

More than 80,000 persons in Illinois own securities of the telephone systems of the United States.

About 6,000 persons were added to the payrolls of manufacturing concerns in Illinois during the month of October, which is higher than at any time since March of this year.

There were 1,123,886 consumers of gas in Illinois at the beginning of 1924.

The city of Kankakee announces that it is free from any bonded indebtedness.

Approximately 240 electric light and power companies furnish the population of Illinois with its electrical energy.

The highest average wage on record for manufacturing employes in Illinois was recorded in October when the average weekly earnings were quoted at \$28.49.

The natural scenic Starved Rock, Illinois' great state park, is more than 1,000 acres in area.

More than 9,200 cars are needed in Illinois to furnish its population with electric railway transportation.

The death rate in Illinois is 11.9 per thousand of population, which is 1.2 per cent per thousand lower than that of California, and 2 per cent per thousand lower than that of Florida.

Every home in Illinois having a telephone can be connected, through long distance service, to more than 14,800,000 stations embracing every section of the United States from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

Deposits in the banks of Illinois aggregate in excess of \$3,000,000,000. In the last four years they have increased nearly a billion dollars.

Sterling has the largest gladioli farm in the world. Last year the 1,00,000 bulbs which were produced there were sold to buyers in every state of the Union and in many foreign countries.

Eleven per cent of the farms of Illinois have electricity and 54,000 farmers have installed modern heating systems. Only one out of seventeen, however, have complete plumbing systems.

Belleville leads the country in the manufacture of stoves. It is also America's largest airship port and is credited in banking circles with being one of the richest cities per capita in the nation.

Illinois produces 75 per cent of the country's fluospar, ten per cent of its pyrites, four per cent of its petroleum and over one per cent of its natural gas.

42,000,000 board feet of lumber are cut each year in Illinois. The total cut, of which oak is the largest, is valued at \$1,597,345.

#### MARRIAGE LICENSES

Frank Statzer, Villa Grove, Ill. .... 21  
Merle Reedy, Villa Grove, Ill. .... 21  
Clarence Booker, Lovington ..... 21  
Ola Dugan, Lovington ..... 21

#### YOUR PUBLIC SALE

You'll save money on your bills and advertising if you have the work done at The Progress office.

## NEW SERIAL "MR. AND MRS. SALLIE"

—BEING THE CONFESSIONS OF A NEW WIFE  
By GLADYS BAKER

A modern chronicle of the bewildering situation which confronts the young married contingent of every village, hamlet and town—a straightforward record of the flirtations, problems, adventures and romance that colour the crowded hours of America's youth.

The heroine is Sallie and through the fearlessness of youthful eyes she will bring to you the vivid experiences which daily beset her group of interesting young friends—interesting because among her laughter-loving comrades you will meet personalities with whom you are familiar in everyday life. In Sallie's coterie of friends you will recognize the characteristics and mental equipment of your own daughter perhaps, or again you will see the moral battles which at one time embarrassed some very dear friend, or, who knows but what as you follow Sallie's confession of events, you will come face to face with some inherent remissness of your very own.

Starting Next Week --- Illustrated --- Watch For It

#### BAKER

Frank E. Harden and wife, formerly of this neighborhood, but who have been living in Decatur for some time, moved Monday to 2113 N. Main street, in that city.

Miss Viola Jones returned Saturday to the home of F. E. Bundy after a week's visit with her sister Mrs. James Brown of Mechanicsburg.

Lowell Reese, a newly ordained minister, preached Sunday morning at the New Liberty church on the subject "Obey". During the coming year Rev. Reese will preach every fifth Sunday of each month at this church. Every one cordially invited.

Clyde Shaw and family visited Sunday with T. I. Leggett and family.

F. E. Bundy and family were Sunday guests at the home of Will Jordan of Sullivan.

—For Blacksmithing, horseshoeing, and woodwork, go to T. S. Hall's shop, Sullivan.  
Ernest Bragg and wife of Mattoon

were Sunday guests at the home of the former's parents, Mark Bragg and wife.

F. E. Bundy's new implement shed was completed last Tuesday.

Mrs. Normal Pressy visited with her parents Otto Kinsel and wife, Friday.

Word was received here Friday that George Blanchard was very ill with double pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Selock, Earl Bundy, Mervin and Durard Briscoe attended a farewell party given at the home of S. T. J. Selock, recently, in honor of Andrew Selock and family who are moving to Pekin where he has a position in the Starch factory.

#### ILLINOIS STATE FAIR TO BE TWO WEEKS EARLIER

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 8.—Illinois' exposition, the Illinois state fair, in 1926 will be held two weeks earlier than for several years. The date for the exposition has been set for August 21 to August 28. The date was fixed at the recent meeting at Chi-

cago of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions.

Hampered by rain for several years Illinois fair officials asked for the change in date and the request was granted.

#### ELMER DAWDY GETS SENTENCE TO PENAL FARM

Elmer Dawdy, who for some time past, has worked for the Van Gundys Northwest of this city, came here Friday and got tangled up with a quantity of booze. He quickly accumulated a bigger load than he could carry and was arrested on an information issued by States Attorney Brown. He was bought into the county court where he entered a plea of guilty. He was given a 120 day sentence at the state penal farm, North of Vandalia and was taken there the early part of the week.

—Mr. and Mrs. Harry Davis and family of Paris, Illinois, visited Sunday with her father, C. A. Corbin and family.



## "Say It With Flowers" For Christmas this Year

They make an acceptable gift for old and young.

In Pot Plants we have, Begonias, Ferns, Poinsettias, Cyclamen, etc.

Cut Flowers—Roses, Carnations, Sweetpeas, Narcissus and Poinsettias.

To avoid disappointment give us your cut flower order early.

We also have a fine line of wreaths for both home and cemetery; also artificial baskets.

## THE SULLIVAN GREENHOUSES

MERVIN REED, Proprietor

Phone No. 265

Sullivan, Illinois



The Most Practical Gift for the Home

## The Voss Electric Washing Machine

Many homes in this community already have these machines and we can refer you to a list of satisfied users.

A present of this kind will make washday a pleasure instead of a drudgery. This machine is safe, compact and durable.

If you want one for Christmas do not delay but let us have your order now, so as to make sure of delivery.

## S. T. Bolin Implement Company

PHONE NO. 94

SULLIVAN, ILLINOIS

# DUNSCOMB DRY GOODS CO.

Quality First—Value Always

North Side Square, Sullivan, Ill.

We have quite a few Especially Good things for your Christmas Gifts of which we are not mentioning, because there are so many new Novelties of the Season that we cannot begin to describe them all.

DO YOUR SHOPPING NOW. Here is a line of articles too good to miss

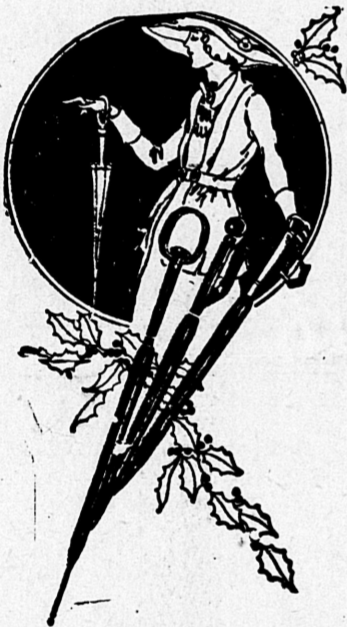


## Big Reductions in Prices of COATS

We have made a large reduction on every coat that we have. Make your selections now.

### JACK TAR TOGS FOR LITTLE BOYS

Boys tweed suits for boys from 3 to 7 years old. Jack Tar Flannel Middies for Misses, ONE-HALF PRICE



## PARASOLS make pleasing Christmas Gifts

By this we do not mean just ordinary parasols but parasols of distinctive styles. Our line of these necessary articles is kept fresh by frequent replenishing, and the classy handles add much to their appreciative values.



## HOSIERY

a gift at Christmas time that is sure to please

Shop Early While Stocks are Complete

We handle nothing but first class, dependable hosiery, in silk and wool and lisle.

Our Bobolink Pure Thread Silk Hose are guaranteed to wear to your entire satisfaction in every respect. They come in black and the season's shades at \$1.25 per pair.

Humming Bird Hose at \$1.50 per pair We also have a complete line of black and colored silk hose at \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.25 and \$2.75 per pair.

Also pretty fibre and lisle hose for the Miss, in black, gray and tan shades.

Wool, silk and wool and lisle hose for ladies and children, from 25c to \$2.00 per pair for the better qualities of fancy woolsens.

## Warm Sweaters make Practical Gifts

MAKES PRACTICAL GIFTS

Usual Sweaters that make such useful gifts and welcome ones as well. Women and Misses never have too many sweaters—select gifts from our large assortment of coats, slipover and various sweater models. In silk, mohair, imported yarns and shaker knit. All the desirable sport colors and darker shades are here, moderately priced at \$2.00 to \$13.50.



## For My Lady's Toilete

Toilete Sets put up in pretty cases are certainly attractive. Cotys and Blue Rose compacts, refills, powders and perfumes—none better. Bonicelli powders, compacts, toilet waters, cold creams, vanishing cream, facial mud soap and shampoo soap. Three Flowers powders, toilet waters, Luxo products and other brands.

### BEADS

Beads were never prettier nor better style than now. They are in Standard Pearls and fancy cut beads, from 25c to \$4.00. Extra values at 50c and \$1.00.

## Scarfs and Mufflers

NICE FOR CHRISTMAS GIVING

Flannel Scarfs in Roman stripes and plaids for men or women, at \$2.50.

Fancy Silk Scarfs at \$1.50 to \$3.00

## She'll Like A Handbag or Box

FOR CHRISTMAS

Women know that details of dress are important and like to receive at Christmas time the accessories that add charm and completeness to their costumes. So make it a handbag this year. All the newest are here. In a fascinating variety of shapes and shades.

THE PRICES RANGE FROM \$1.00 TO \$9.00  
A SPECIAL AT \$2.95 EACH

### TAPESTRY TABLE RUNNERS

We have a very pretty assortment of scarfs, blended with gilt and fibre silk makes them extremely pleasing to the eyes.

The prices are sure to please the purse as they are priced from \$2.50 to \$6.75 each.  
Good Linent scarfs at 89c, \$1.00, \$1.50.

## Our Salesladies will Help in Selections for wife, mother or sister

We have such a pretty line of Silks and Woolen Dress Goods, for Blouses and Dresses, which cannot fail to please her. Or perhaps she would enjoy a pretty bed spread or a pair of fancy embroidered pillow cases. We have some excellent values in Linen Table Damask which she will appreciate as the price on this class of merchandise is lower than she has been able to find in the last few years. Or she might appreciate some Fancy Bath Towels or new Curtains and Draperies.

### FANCY TOWELS AND TOWEL SETS

Pretty Turkish Towel sets, \$1.00 to \$2.00; Turkish towels in white and fancy stripes and colored combinations from 15c to \$1.00; Huck towels from 15c to \$1.00. We have some especially good linen towels at 50c and 75c.

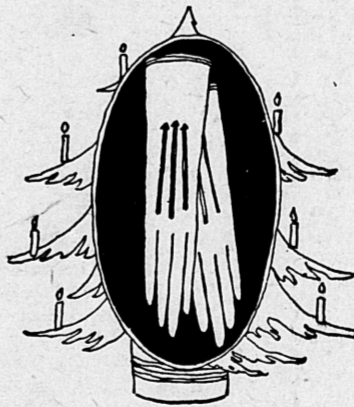


## Dainty Silken Gifts

CHRISTMAS morning will bring these dainty gifts of sheer Lingerie, bewitchingly lacy and be-ribboned. There are gowns, teddies, step-in sets, negligees and every other type of lingerie, all ravishingly feminine and delicate of hue.

### FOR THE COLDER WEATHER

Velastie Fleece Suits for children that are out in weather, assures warmth and comfort. Velastie and Set Snug suits for women of wool, and silk and wool for warmth without weight.



## Gloves are Sure to Please

As a Gift at Christmas Time

Our wide range of styles makes selection a pleasure for early shoppers.

The new, short, fancy Gauntlet Top Gloves, we are showing in the fabric and kid, also the more staple length gauntlet tops in the fabrics and cape skins for practical service

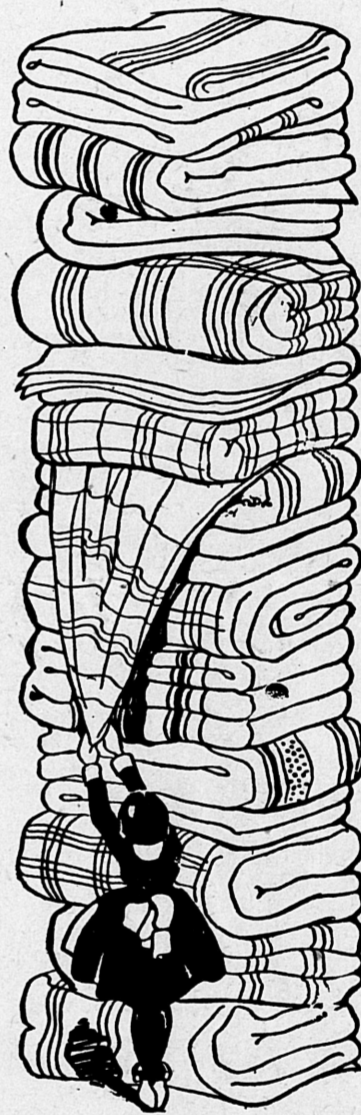
Twelve and sixteen button French Kid gloves, yarn golf or skating gloves for children, Misses and ladies, for real warmth.



## DRESSES

at big reduction

We have reduced every Silk and Wool dress we have in stock for Ladies and children which include the latest arrivals in Jack Tar Togs for girls.



## BLANKETS

Warm and Comfortable SURE TO PLEASE

What would be nicer than a warm pair of Blankets. They are real values Best quality cotton blankets, size 64 x 76 inches, per pair...\$1.95

A wool finished plaid cotton blanket, size 64 x 76 in. per pair...\$2.25

Heavy cotton blankets, size 66 x 80 inches, weight 4 1/2 lbs. per pair...\$2.95

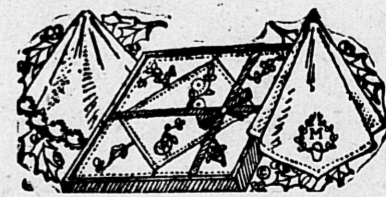
Best quality of wool finished plaid blankets in all pretty color combination, 66 x 80 in. per pair...\$3.50

The same blanket as above in size 70 x 80 inches, priced, per pair \$4.50

Wool mixed blankets, heavy weight size 66 x 80 in., per pair...\$4.95

Plaid wool blankets in heavy weight size 66 x 80 in., per pair...\$7.50

Pure wool plaid blankets in 66 x 80 inch size, per pair only...\$8.90



## Handkerchiefs

Christmas would not be Christmas without giving a few Handkerchiefs. And it will not pay to bother making them when you can buy such pretty ones 5c to \$1.00.