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Isaac Alvey Injured When C & E Train Struck His Auto

Ice Covered Road Cause of Accident. Left Leg Broken and Body Badly Bruised. Kirksville Crossing Scene of Crash.

Isaac Alvey, aged 57, prominent farmer who lives near Kirksville is laid up with a broken left leg and numerous painful bruises, as a result of his auto being struck by a C. & E. I. passenger train about 3 o'clock on Sunday afternoon.

The accident happened at the crossing in Kirksville as Mr. Alvey was driving home from Sullivan where he had brought Miss Ferne Sickafus to the home of his daughter, Mrs. Vic Clark.

The accident was seen from the home of Hank Webb who lives nearby and he and Tobe Webb were first to reach the side of the injured man. The auto was totally demolished.

Mr. Alvey was taken to the Webb home and a physician called who set the broken limb after which he was removed to his home. Reports say he is getting along as well as can be expected. Mrs. Clark is at the Alvey home assisting in caring for her father.

The train which struck the car was late. Mr. Alvey states that he heard the whistle and applied the brakes but the car skidded onto the tracks out of control.

This is the second accident in a week for this passenger train. On Wednesday of last week it struck and killed Vernon West near Findlay.

HOUSEHOLD SCIENCE CLUB ALL DAY MEETING AT CHRISTIAN CHURCH FEB. 1

Sullivan Household Science club will meet February 1st for an all-day session at the Christian church. Mrs. Fannie Brooks of the Home Economics department of Urbana will speak before the club on "Health".

There will be a pot luck dinner at noon.

The Morgan Community club, the Whitley and East Nelson Household Science club and the Sullivan Domestic Science club are invited.

HAMBURGERS AND HOT DOGS FEED THE HUNGRY BOYS OF HDQ. COMPANY

The members of the local Headquarters company enjoyed a feast of hamburgers, hot dogs and the trimmings Tuesday night at the Armory. There was a good attendance. The eats were prepared by F. C. Pvt. Guy Monroe as chief chef, also assisted by Pvt. Mose Price, K. P. The way the boys absorbed the eats speaks very well for the culinary ability of the chef and his assistant.

MOULTRIE FARMERS ATTEND I. A. A. MEETING IN PEORIA

The Illinois Agricultural Association is holding its annual session in Peoria, Thursday and Friday, January 27th and 28th. The delegates who are attending from this county are: A. J. Scott, of Bethany, W. B. Shirey of Lovington, John Tueth of Lovington, Everett Spencer of Windsor, and Farm Advisor, C. C. Turner of this city.

DISPOSES OF INTEREST IN TWO ELEVATORS

C. W. Crowdon has given to J. B. Tabor and J. L. McLaughlin a bill of sale for his interest in the Bruce elevator and a warranty deed for his interest in the East End elevator property in this city. These properties are being operated under the name of the Sullivan Grain company.

PHYSIOLOGY EXAM

The half year of study of Physiology in the rural schools having been completed an examination in that subject will be held in all such schools on Friday, February 4th Mrs. Roughton, county superintendent, has announced.

SIMS-HUDSON

Justice of Peace Miles Mattox performed the wedding ceremony of Miss Elizabeth Sims of Windsor, and Andrew Hudson of Shelbyville, Tuesday. John Miller and Guy Bupp acted as witnesses.

FRANK SPAUGH HAS SALE

Frank Spaugh who lives Northeast of Allenville is another one of the farmers who has decided to quit. He will have a closing out sale Monday, February 7th.

TACKY PARTY MONDAY FOR LOYAL DAUGHTERS

The Loyal Daughters will have a "tacky" party Monday night at the home of Mrs. Freda Horn, the class president. All members are requested to come dressed in old clothes.

MARRIAGE LICENSE

John 42, Shelbyville; 22

LEGION POST HAD SMOKER, DISCUSSED INSURANCE RE-INSTATEMENT, ETC.

Moultrie County Post No. 68 met at the Armory Thursday, January 20th for a smoker and get together meeting. Elliott Billman made the principal talk of the evening dealing with the re-instatement and conversion of War risk insurance. A general discussion was then held relative to the insurance and it was decided to mail a letter to all ex-service men of the community so that they will be acquainted with some of the facts concerning the insurance and their rights in the matter.

The first week in February has been set aside by the President as reinstatement week and a special effort will be made all over the country at that time to acquaint the ex-service man with the plans of the Veterans Bureau in regard to insurance.

Refreshments were served about nine o'clock by the cook of the local headquarters company. The food was served cafeteria style in regular issue mess kit, and afforded many the first opportunity to burn their mouths on an aluminum mess cup since they were discharged from the service.

Music was served a la barber shop at intervals during the evening by those present.

There will be another meeting of this post sometime in February. Dues to the American Legion are three dollars per year which includes the American Legion Monthly. Come on let's go!

WE'VE NEVER GIVEN A MORE POPULAR PRESENT THAN AUTOSTROP RAZOR

We had intended giving these Autothrop razor sets for Christmas presents to our paid-in-advance subscribers. They got in too late for that, so we are giving them now. Folks like them. Not only the men but the ladies too use these razor sets since bobbed hair make smooth-shaven necks the vogue.

At the rate they are being called for, the available supply may soon be exhausted. Whether or not we will get an additional supply is doubtful. To make sure of getting a set pay your subscription in advance now until some time in 1927 and we will present you with a set. The set consists of razor frame and blade, good strop and book of instructions.

BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR MISS LUCILLE WRIGHT

A number of friends gathered at the home of Miss Lucille Wright and her mother Wednesday night and tendered Miss Lucille a pleasant surprise in honor of her birthday. Refreshments were served and the evening was pleasantly spent in a social way. The guests present were Mrs. Ann Carpenter, Mrs. M. A. Foster, Mrs. R. M. Magill, Miss Retta Webb, Mrs. Chal Newbould, Mrs. G. S. Thompson, Mrs. Tella Pearce, and Mrs. Lawrence Sears and children.

REV. JOHN R. GOLDEN RESIGNS DECATUR PASTORATE

Rev. John R. Golden, pastor of the Central church of Christ in Decatur has resigned his pastorate to accept the position of national secretary of the United Christian Missionary Society with headquarters in St. Louis. Rev. Golden has many Sullivan friends. He preached at the Christian church revival about two weeks ago.

WOLFES REMARRIED

Some weeks ago, Mrs. Garret Wolfe was granted a divorce in the Mattoon city court. After several weeks of life as a divorcee, she changed her mind and about two weeks ago the couple went to Bloomington where they were remarried. Their many friends will be glad to know that their marital troubles ended so agreeably.

Judge John T. Grider went to Monticello Thursday where he presided at the hearing of some cases in the county court of Piatt county.

The W. F. M. S. of the M. E. church will meet Thursday, February 3rd at the home of Mrs. J. E. Crowder. Mrs. J. F. Lawson's division will have charge of the meeting.

LOCAL MARKETS

Market prices Wednesday were as follows:
New corn No. 4 58c
Corn No. 5 55c
Corn No. 6 53c
Soy Beans (mill) \$1.10
Soy Beans (black seed) \$1.25
Wheat \$1.21
Oats 39c

Produce Markets.
Butterfat, 46 to 48c
Hens 23c
Springs 44 or more 21c
Springs, light weight 17c
Stags 17c
Old cocks 8c
Ducks 20c
Geese 11c
Eggs 38c

Christian Church Revival is Drawing To Successful Close

Goal for Sunday School is 666. Good Attendance Despite the Inclement Weather. Arterburns popular Song Leaders.

First Christian church special evangelistic meetings are growing in interest and power and splendid crowds have been in attendance.

The house was filled Saturday evening to see and hear the Booster Chorus. Sixty boys and girls filled the platform and gave a program to do themselves proud as well as making the leaders and parents proud of them. The Arterburns delight in working with the youngsters and enjoy the confidence and friendship of many of Sullivan's men and women of tomorrow.

Rev. Anderson brought a wonderful lesson on the "Potter and the Clay," that not only portrayed the ideal attitude of the child mind but pictured the ideal way every mind should function toward God.

The Bible School attendance of 257 was indeed a great victory for such a morning. We all really slid to church and enjoyed it tremendously. The crowds are most encouraging and many of the members are doing service that will bring forth fruit.

The subjects to be discussed the last days of the meeting are: Friday night—"Multitasking God's Word."

Saturday night—(Object Sermon) "God's Clock Strikes 12 But Once."

Sunday morning—"World Cry and God's Command."

Sunday evening (closing sermon) "A Catastrophe or a Joke?" Let's not forget that 9:30 Sunday morning is the time for "The Greatest Bible School yet"—666—if you don't attend some other place. Come and get the habit. Once you start you'll be a regular.

FUNDS FOR SALVATION ARMY COMING IN SLOWLY

The tag day to close the local drive for the Salvation Army funds has been postponed until February 5th. The amount raised to date is but \$121.30 of the \$400 quota which Sullivan is expected to raise.

Those in charge of the campaign say that many of the solicitors have not as yet made any report. They are urged to take care of this matter immediately. The American Legion is in charge of the campaign. Carl R. Hill at the First National Bank is the treasurer.

MOVING TIME SETS IN EARLY ON THE FARMS

The George Isaacs family this week moved from the McClure farm northeast of this city to the T. V. Drew farm in East Nelson. The Drew family recently had a sale and has moved into the Millizen residence on Jackson street.

A man named Freeland from near Dalton City has bought the McClure place and will farm it.

The John Bragg family which has for a number of years farmed the Charles Beitz farm will move to the Fred Cook farm and a family named Cummings of near Lovington will move on the Beitz farm.

The Lafe Dixon family has moved from the old Moses Dixon place to Arthur and George Cogdal of this city will move there and start farming.

Leo B. Reeves who is living on the Gauger 40-acre farm in Jonathan Creek now has rented the J. L. McLaughlin farm on route 32 south of this city and will move there within a few weeks.

HAVE A SON

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Smith of Valparaiso, Ind., this week, in a Chicago hospital. He has been named Richard Eugene. Mrs. Smith was formerly Miss Alta Wilson a daughter of Mrs. Philip Wiard of this city.

NAMED CONSERVATOR

In the county court Wednesday Charles Lansden was named conservator for John Waggoner and gave the requisite bond which was approved.

Miss Catherine Robinson went to Decatur Wednesday evening to meet her sister, Miss Clara, who returned home from Galesburg for a week's vacation from her studies at Knox College. Examinations are on and Miss Robinson's standing was such that examinations did not require her attendance.

Mrs. Inez Gaddis and Miss Nettie Bristow have had as their visitors this week their brothers H. A. Bristow of Bondville, Ill., and L. E. Bristow of Peoria. The latter departed for home Wednesday.

Mrs. Lois McIlwain is assisting in the office of the county clerk on the annual tax collection work.

Murray Shaw Gets Re-appointment to County Farm Job

Efforts to Secure New Superintendent Fail When Supervisors Vote to Retain Shaw. Other County Business.

The board of supervisors met Saturday but did not get done with its business so another session was held Monday.

The sessions throughout were full of pep and feeling. The report of Bacchus & Bishop, auditors was taken up for approval and the clerk's minutes show that four supervisors voted for such approval and five voted against it.

A motion to give States Attorney Foster the privilege of hiring some assistance in the prosecution of the case against Homer Hawkins was carried by a vote of four to five.

The board was unanimous in voting to not renew any contract with the county veterinarian James R. Taylor at the expiration of his present term. The clerk was instructed to secure a list of accredited vets eligible for the job.

The real fight of the session, however, was over the appointment of a superintendent and matron for the county farm. M. E. Shaw, present superintendent sought re-appointment at the December session of the board, but no decisive action was taken so his application was again up before the January session. There were about a dozen other applications.

Some objections had been raised to Mr. Shaw charging extravagance in conducting the affairs of the county farm. Figures and statements, prepared in the office of the county clerk, were presented showing that large sums of money had been spent for various matters under Mr. Shaw's regime.

Mr. Shaw refuted all of these charges and appeared with his books and accounts to show what it had really cost the county to run the farm during the two years he has been in charge.

When Mr. Shaw convinced the board that the extravagance charges were not correct, he was re-appointed by a vote of 5 for to four scattering. The records show that three ballots were taken. Mr. Shaw had five votes, a majority of one, on the first ballot and on two succeeding ballots. The other four votes scattered. Why these two additional ballots were taken is inexplicable, unless the opposition to Mr. Shaw felt that his support would weaken. It appears that the first ballot definitely settled the matter.

CHARLES DONALDSON FRACTURED SKULL IN FALL; TO CHICAGO HOSPITAL

Charles Donaldson in charge of the local grain brokerage office was taken to the University hospital in Chicago Friday night of last week to undergo an operation for relief from a skull fracture.

Mr. Donaldson slipped and fell on Wednesday, January 12th. He struck his head a hard blow on the pavement. He did not regard the matter as serious and did not tell his wife of the accident. The pain finally became so acute that he could keep his secret no longer. He was taken to Decatur where an X-ray showed that he had a two-inch fracture of the skull. Arrangements were then made to take him to the Chicago hospital, there to undergo an operation. He was given a few days rest at Chicago and developments were so favorable that no operation was needed and it is expected that he will soon be back at work.

Mr. Donaldson left the hospital in Chicago Tuesday. He and his wife expect to remain in Chicago for a week or perhaps longer.

SEEK TOM BOOKER

A warrant charging forgery was sworn out against Tom Booker of this city Tuesday morning in Police Magistrate Lambrecht's court. Booker had forged the name of Fred Booker to a M. & F. check for \$25 and then presented the check in person and after cashing it left town.

MCCUSKER GROCERY—Apples, Delicious, Jonathans, Grimes Golden, Spitzberger and others. Fresh oysters 75c qt. and 40c pt. Home grown Turnips, Sweet Potatoes, Celery, etc. See our special Kitchen Stool. Fine Coffee, Salt Fish 5c each, Cod Fish, Filllets, Feeds, Work Clothes, Etc.

FARMER SELLS \$400 WORTH OF CAPONS

Cleo Spaugh on Thursday of this week sold 163 capons and 48 slips to the Wadley Company. The birds averaged about 7½ pounds in weight and his check was for over \$400.

Mrs. Etta Sutton of Gihard has been visiting with her mother, Mrs. Frank Martin, who is ill.

SUPERVISORS NAME GRAND JURORS FOR MARCH COURT TERM

The board of supervisors Saturday selected the following men to constitute the grand jury for the March term of court:

Sullivan township—Frank Newbould, J. A. Chaney, James R. Pifer, E. W. Hamblin and Archie Dazey.

Lovington twp.—William Kirkpatrick, Henry Francis, Claud Hessler and James Evans.

Low township—Charles Moss and Louis Wining.

Dora township—Sherman Bandy, and John Moody.

East Nelson Township—George Purvis and Ray Misenheimer.

Jonathan Creek—John Dolan and Henry C. Fulton.

Marrowbone—Henry A. Mulholland, Harris L. Bone and James Peter Cordray.

Whitley—Merl Hickman, Charles Waggoner and T. M. Edwards.

Petit Jurors

Sullivan—Edgar Martin, Roscoe Barnes, C. H. Bristow, Guy Little, John Bolin, Clyde Kirkwood, Frank Hagerman, L. W. Florey, G. R. Fleming, R. J. Devore, William Fisher, Clayton Poland, Jesse Hodge, Albert Landers, C. E. Hankley, Albert Underwood and George Colard.

Marrowbone—J. E. Dick, Sid Dedman, Theodore Swartz, I. E. DeBruler, P. M. Parker, George Foster, George D. Bone, Austin Wheeler, Julius Carlyle.

Lovington—Bernard Reese, Ira Harrison, J. N. Foster.

East Nelson—T. G. Ford, and John Black.

Low—J. H. White and William Schuetz.

Jonathan Creek—J. J. Ryan. Dora—Otis Gifford. Whitley—Clem Shaffer.

MEETING OF THE CENTER SCHOOL COMMUNITY CLUB JONATHAN CREEK TWP.

The Center School community club will hold its February meeting at the school house Thursday evening, February 3rd beginning at 7:30 sharp.

A very interesting and instructive program is being prepared and a cordial invitation is extended to everyone.

The following is only a partial list of the program being prepared for your entertainment:
Special music by the Sullivan Male Quartette.

Instructive lecture on the Corn Borer by Bryce Martin, reporter and editor of the Agricultural department of Decatur Herald.

Play by local talent, and other interesting features.

Do not let bad roads or inclement weather cause you to miss this meeting. Come and bring your friends.

GRADE SCHOOL BASKET BALL TOSSERS RETAIN RECORD OF NO DEFEAT

Tuesday evening Coach Roney and his grade school basket ball teams went to Arthur to meet the grades of that town. A delegation of local boosters accompanied the athletes.

In the game between the seconds the Sullivan boys got trimmed by a score of 12 to 11. The regular grade team in a closely fought contest won their game by a score of 9 to 6. This was the seventh straight victory for the grade and special recognition was given the team at assembly Wednesday morning.

The Summary

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| Sullivan | 2 |
| Freeman, f | 0 |
| Moran, f | 1 |
| Pearson, c | 1 |
| Moore, g | 1 |
| Harshman, g | 0 |
| Reedy, g | 0 |
| Brackney, g | 0 |
| Totals | 3 |

CATHERINE FINLEY IS BRIDE OF BOYD GOODWIN

Announcements were received here this week telling of the marriage in Chicago Monday of Miss Catherine Finley and Boyd Goodwin, both well known young people of this community.

The bride is a daughter of Mrs. Margaret Finley and the groom is a son of E. A. Goodwin who lives South of this city. He has been employed in Chicago for some time.

The couple has gone to housekeeping at 420 St. James Place, Apt. 208 where they are at home to their many friends.

Will Make Fight Against Higher Cost Of Phone Service

Representatives From Moultrie Communities Gather Here and Formulate Plans to Combat Proposed Inter-city toll charges.

Wednesday of last week Commissioner Bennett of the Illinois Commerce Commission at Springfield heard the petition of the telephone companies which own the telephone systems of Sullivan, Bethany and Arthur for permission to charge a 10c toll rate between these exchanges. The Sullivan community club had sent representatives to protest, but when they arrived the matter seemed to have been already closed.

These representatives were Homer Shirey and R. B. Foster. They registered a protest and received a tentative promise from the commissioner to re-open the case and hear evidence.

Bethany and Arthur people have enjoyed free service to Sullivan and patrons of the local exchange have had reciprocal service. Kirksville and Bruce were also included in the petition filed in behalf of the Sullivan company. If the petition as entered will stand a 10c rate will be charged between Sullivan and Kirksville and Bruce, both of which companies are operated as mutuals.

It seems that all of these communities have been rather slow in getting on the job protesting against the proposed change. The only notice they had was by publication in one of the county papers for two weeks.

Now, however, since they have awakened to what is threatening a unanimous protest is the result.

A meeting called by the directors of the community club of people from other cities was held in the court house Wednesday afternoon. The representatives present were as follows:

Sullivan—Dr. S. T. Butler, who presided, J. J. Gauger who acted as secretary, R. B. Foster, Homer Shirey, Dr. S. W. Johnson, Dr. J. F. Lawson, J. H. Pearson, D. G. Carnine and Arlo Chapin.

Arthur—rural section—W. K. Bolin, John Taylor, Earl Casteel and L. D. Seass of Jonathan Creek.

Kirksville—Opha Yarnell, Job Evans, James Shasteen, Jesse Byrom and Ansel Wright.

Bethany—Troy Scott, Lute Hudson, O. C. Hoskins and Mr. Wilkinson and Will Wood.

Bruce—J. P. Lanum. All present reported sentiment strongly against the proposed change and declared that it would prove a serious interference in business between these communities. As service has not been improved any, they failed to see why a change in rates was in order.

Representatives of the Kirksville and Bruce mutuals stated that under their charter they were unable to charge members more than the cost of operating and that a 10c toll to Sullivan would be a practical possibility. It was brought out that the Central Illinois Telephone company which operates the Sullivan change was ready to compromise whole matter by dropping the toll and Kirksville end of the toll and continuing free service to those towns as heretofore.

The consensus of opinion of the meeting was, however, that all communities affected make a concerted stand against the toll charge.

Upon motion the secretary was asked to extend an invitation to Mr. Cheadle the secretary and manager of the Central Illinois Telephone Company to meet with representatives of the communities affected on Wednesday afternoon of next week. Each community was asked to have two or more representatives at this meeting. In case Mr. Cheadle cannot come at that time a date is to be set to suit his convenience and the representatives notified.

No compromise will be acceptable. It was suggested that if the companies back of the toll move will not withdraw their petition, that petition be made for better means of communication between the various communities and that free service to Lovington be asked for.

So far no date for re-opening of the hearing has been set, but if the demand for same is strong enough, the request will doubtless be granted as the companies affected cannot afford to leave the communities to serve in their present hostile frame of mind.

PLEASANTLY SURPRISED

Mrs. John Frantz was surprised Saturday morning receiving a cake from C. T. Lehman in honor of her birthday.

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—Harold Martin was a Bloomington visitor Saturday.

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EDITORIAL

COL. SMITH DENIED SEAT IN UNITED STATES SENATE

Illinois your politics is rotten. Frank L. Smith you are not wanted in the United States Senate. Illinois may be willing to stand for your type in politics but the Senate of the United States will not. Go back home to Illinois and hand back your credentials to Len Small, your cronie and pal and tell him that political pirating which he may condone and practice, is a stench in the nostrils of this nation. These paragraphs about express the sentiments of the United States Senate which last week refused by a vote of 48 to 33 to seat Mr. Smith on appointment given him by Gov. Small to fill the unexpired term of Senator William B. McKinley. Many of those who did vote for him, did so simply because they wanted him seated before taking steps to expel him. And why is the Senate so bitter against Senator-elect Smith? Has Illinois not the right to elect anybody who is duly qualified to represent it in the United States Senate? It seems that we have not. In a day when political corruption flourishes throughout this nation, it seems that Illinois has taken the head of the class. This is the second time within a decade that Illinois has been rebuked for its rotten politics by the United States senate. They kicked out Bill Lorimer about 15 years ago. In those days the Legislature and not the people elected United States senators. Lorimer and his clique bought the senatorship. Since we elect senators by direct vote of the people, legislators' votes are no longer on the market for that office. Political ingenuity has devised other means whereby money plays the deciding factor. Col. Smith's crime is that while chairman of the Illinois Commerce Commission which regulated Sam Insull's public utilities corporations in this state, he or his campaign manager, solicited campaign funds from such corporations and were given \$125,000 or more, which was used in the primary campaign in

which Col. Smith defeated Senator McKinley for the Republican nomination. All of this rottenness was fully exposed before the election. But Col. Smith, with all of his rotten record, was listed as a "dry." His opponent George Brennan was decidedly "wet." The Anti-Saloon league and its auxiliaries recognizing only one issue—wet or dry—made a determined fight for Col. Smith. Their perverted attitude on morals, political and otherwise, was that it was a greater crime to favor alcoholic drinks than it was to betray public confidence and take pay from a corporation which, as a public servant, you were supposed to regulate as to rates, etc. Col. Smith was elected. Great was the rejoicing. But now it appears that the rejoicing was premature. Smith with all his dryness is not wanted at Washington. The great state of Illinois, the home of Lincoln and Douglas, of Cullom and Altgeld, of other great and glorious statesmen in times past, has today sunk so low in its political morals that its attorney general even goes to Washington to endeavor to get Col. Smith by, instead of staying home and prosecuting him for a case of deliberate crookedness and graft while said Smith was on the payroll of this state. What Len Small has all gotten by with is an open book which makes people of other states snicker and point the finger of scorn and shame at Illinois. Rottenness, corruption, foul, base infamy, betrayal of public trust, such is Illinois' misfortune under its present abominable administration. With organized warfare in its Southern counties and open and deadly gang feuds in its metropolis on the lake, the state has sunk to a depth of civic degradation which makes it the horrible example among the American commonwealth of states. If the slap in the face which the United States Senate gave it last week, will help to awaken it to some sense of civic virtue; if the people will demand that the big Swede, Oscar Carlstrom, our attorney general, quit playing politics and trying to rake the chesnuts out of the fire for Len Small and Frank Smith; if they will further demand that said Carlstrom stay home and attend to his business, which business, it appears would be the prosecution of Col. Frank L. Smith, and a settlement of the million dollar claim which the state has against Small, that would be a beginning and would forecast that time when this grand and glorious state could again take its rightful place among the sisterhood of states. With all of the honest people which Illinois boasts, isn't it a h-l of a fool stunt to send a confessed crook to the United States senate?

Edward H. Bean Chosen Director of New Riverside Zoo

Former Sullivan Man Who Made Big Success in This Line in Milwaukee Will Assume Charge of Big Chicago Zoo April 1st.

Edward H. Bean, a former Sullivan resident, but for some years director of the Washington Park Zoological Garden at Milwaukee, Wisconsin has resigned his position to accept that of director of the big Riverside zoo at Chicago. Associated with Mr. Bean in his work in Milwaukee is Ward Walker, formerly of this city.

The Milwaukee Journal has a big write-up about Mr. Bean's leaving there and printed a number of pictures showing him with his pets.

Says this Milwaukee newspaper: "Mr. Bean goes to Riverside, Ill., to assume directorship of a new \$5,000,000 zoo, for which Mrs. Edith Rockefeller has given more than six hundred acres of forest preserve land.

"It is the salary and the opportunity which takes me from Milwaukee. This new venture is a \$5,000,000 proposition—the promoters have contracted to spend that amount in the next six years—and it will have the most complete zoological installation of any zoo in the world. It will contain everything from the smallest insect to the largest mammal with the exception of fish. Chicago has just completed a \$5,000,000 aquarium, so our zoo will not have fish.

"I consider it a great honor to have been chosen to direct this new zoo. The committee has traveled about the country and abroad—and they did not travel for their health. So to be chosen was a signal honor, I consider.

"The policy of the new zoo is to place the animals, where possible, in enclosures as near like their native habitat as possible, protecting the public by means of unseen barriers, such as moats, concealed walls."

Proud of Giraffe

"One of the biggest accomplishments at the zoo of which Mr. Bean is justly proud is the obtaining of the giraffe last fall. The giraffe cost more money than any other animal in the zoo. There are but three zoos in the United States exhibiting giraffes, and the other two charge admission.

"Perhaps Chilo and Bobo, the two almost-human chimpanzees, were the best beloved of all the animals by Keeper Bean.

"Another of Mr. Bean's proudest accomplishments is "Monkey Island" or "Monkey Mountain," an innovation in zoological enclosures, where close to a hundred small monkeys play about in contentment during the warm months, while thousands of visitors weekly watch their antics from the fence outside the moat surrounding the island.

Record of Success

"Throughout his reign at the zoo, Director Bean has had outstanding success in the raising of animals born in captivity. Chief among these successes was the raising of two black panther cubs, Bengal tiger cubs, a Tibet yak, Wallaroo kangaroos, Nahior zebu, American black bear, bison, prong-horn antelope.

"The antelope house, one of Mr. Bean's pet projects for a number of years, was completed last fall.

"Millions of persons, from Milwaukee, the state and tourists from other states, have visited the zoo during the years Mr. Bean has been the director. "I hate to leave my animals. They are all my 'friends.' They are dear to me. Particularly Chilo. But I will be so close that I can run up to see them at any time, and I will be glad to extend my aid and advice to the park board and my successor at any time."

"Director Bean's resignation takes effect March 31, and on April 1 he assumes charge of the new Riverside zoo."

Editorially the Journal comments as follows on Mr. Bean's decision to leave Milwaukee for Chicago: "The Wizard With Animals" "Congratulations to Edward H. Bean. The ability shown in making the Milwaukee zoo great, the devotion shown through 20 years; his understanding of animals and of men, are recognized in Chicago's choosing him to head of what may well become the greatest animal exhibit in the world. The opportunity to develop the new forest preserve zoo, doing on a great scale what he has done so skillfully on a small scale here, must appeal to him, we imagine, even more than the financial return. "But will Mr. Bean mind if we speak chiefly of our own loss? For we do not find a man like him to head and develop and make greater a civic activity every year, or every 10 years. Directors like Edward H. Bean are born, not made. He has been more than a wizard with animals. For it took more than that to develop in Milwaukee, far from the largest of American cities an animal collection with the reputation of being the best kept in the nation. There had to be leadership of men, the patient leadership which shows (Continued on page 3)




Children Cry for Fletcher's CASTORIA

MOTHER:—
 Fletcher's Castoria is a pleasant, harmless Substitute for Castor Oil, Paregoric, Teething Drops and Soothing Syrups, especially prepared for Infants in arms and Children all ages.

To avoid imitations, always look for the signature of *Wm. C. Fletcher*
 Proven directions on each package. Physicians everywhere recommend it.

This Week



Arthur Brisbane

LITTLE ON THE AIR. ELECTRIC CHAIR AS TAX.

Mexican President, accused of ordering Mexican uprisings that killed seventy-five protesting Catholics and twenty-four Mexican soldiers. He accuses the bishops of urging the faithful to march against the Government under a banner inscribed "Long Live Christ, the King."

That banner has traveled a long way in the past and won many fights.

Young Gentlemen, it pays to save. Even a little may be worth while.

Mr. Couzens, asked to pay nine million dollars more income tax, had saved \$900 when he met Ford. That gave him his chance. By and by he sold his interest to Ford for thirty million dollars. If he hadn't saved the nine hundred dollars, he could not have the Government suing him for nine million dollars.

Moral: Save something, if only a little.

The Chicago Civic Opera Company will broadcast its entire performance, an enlightened, public spirited course.

The Metropolitan Opera in New York will do likewise some day and profit by it. Artists making talking machine records know that publicity is valuable.

Mr. Kahn and his associates in New York's Metropolitan Opera are a good start in their building, providing reasonable prices, and will be seen seeing and the exhibitors.

All members of Rhoda Rebekah Lodge No. 167 are urged to attend the regular meeting, Friday night, when important business will be brought before the lodge.

City announced it vociferously at an enthusiastic banquet. Other Democrats that would like the 1928 Democratic Presidential nomination will find in Governor Smith an opponent that understands politics and the American people.

Dispatches from Boston describe triple judicial killing in Charlestown State Prison, just after midnight yesterday. Three young men passed from the electric chair to another destination for clubbing an old night watchman to death.

Edward H. Heinlein was first to go. As he walked to the electric chair, repeating the words of a prayer by the Reverend Father Michael J. Murphy, great crowds gathered outside, automobile horns were booming, photographers' flashlights lighted up the crowd. At the rear exit from the prison another crowd was waiting to see the three bodies carried out. A special police force was obliged to fight the deeply interested crowd.

Crowds that howled around the French guillotine, or that tilted up their gin bottles as they shouted encouragement to murders on the British gallows, were not entirely different from human beings of today.

Authorities in Braunschweig province learn that when religion involves extra taxes many Germans get along without religion.

Registering as the member of any church in Germany, you must pay taxes to the State, and the money then goes to the churches. Braunschweig has been obliged to employ additional clerks to register those that wish to be put down as "without religious faith."

Dentists warn women that excessive smoking brings on "Vincent's Disease" also called "Trench mouth." This disease which attacked soldiers that had nothing to do but smoke, while waiting in the trenches, is painful, attacks the tissues, destroys the gums, causes bleeding.

However, if women want to smoke dentists won't stop them. This writer tried it in vain, twenty-five years ago, by warning women that smoking makes their noses red, and makes their moustaches grow. Still they wouldn't stop.

MRS. OSA AULT ILL

Mrs. Osa Ault who has been teaching school at Lake City, was unable to do so this past week on account of illness. She has not been in the best of health for some time. Her son, Harry Hill who has been in Detroit came home this week to be with his mother.

—Leslie Atchison, Lewis Daugherty and daughter Miss Maudia left Monday for an automobile trip through the South. Their first destination is at Montgomery, Alabama but they expect to go as far South as New Orleans and will be gone three or four weeks.

—Aaron Sharp an extra agent-operator for the I. C. R. R. who has been spending some weeks at his home in Parkersburg, Ill., returned to employment here this week.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE
 Estate of J. H. Moran Deceased.
 The undersigned having been appointed Administratrix of the estate of J. H. Moran, late of the County of Moultrie and the State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the County Court of Moultrie County at the Court House in Sullivan, at the March term on the first Monday in March 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 12th day of January A. D. 1927.
 Jane Moran, Administratrix.
 M. A. Mattox, Attorney.
 First Insertion January 14, 1927

ADMINISTRATRIX'S NOTICE
 Estate of Alfred Bolin, Deceased.
 The undersigned having been appointed Administratrix of the estate of Alfred Bolin late of the County of Moultrie and the State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the County Court of Moultrie County, at the Court House in Sullivan, at the April term on the first Monday in April 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 19th day of January, A. D. 1927.
 Martha Ellen Bolin, Administratrix.
 F. M. Garbaugh, Attorney. 3-4.

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SATURDAY 7:30—"GOD'S CLOCK STRIKES 12 BUT ONCE."
 SUNDAY 9:30—666 IN BIBLE SCHOOL—666.
 10:40—"WORLD'S CRY AND GOD'S COMMAND."
 7:30—"A CATASTROPHE OR A JOKE"

THE ARTERBURNS LEADING THE MUSIC

-- You Are Welcome --

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them how a little money can be made to build an institution of great value and enjoyment. There had to be the eye of the artist to create the natural surroundings which make a living zoological garden so much more than a museum of natural history.

"Mr Bean knows his animals. Otherwise he could not have raised tigers in captivity; otherwise skilled zoo keepers from Germany would not have written to inquire how he had accomplished the unique feat of raising polar bear cubs born in captivity to healthy maturity. But Mr. Bean knows his public, too. Our monkey island is a new creation, but it is not merely a pretty way of exhibiting monkeys; it is a plan that takes care of the children's enjoyment and considers what is good for them, too.

"The public is best served when it finds a man who so loves his work that he would do it for nothing if he could. Too seldom we recognize it, until someone else offers greater opportunity."

GAYS.

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Shafer and family visited relatives in Allensville Sunday.

Burl Switz and family are at the bed side of his father, William Switz who is very ill.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Truman Storm Sunday, a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank House spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Smith.

Mary Elizabeth Mallory of Mattoon visited Mrs. Thelma Smith Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs. Clark Mattox who has been in poor health, is no better.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Lowe have moved from the George Bowman property in with her mother, Mrs. Ed Libotte.

George Miller's house is quarantined with the whooping cough.

Mr. and Mrs. William Beldon and Mr. and Mrs. Dean Beldon have returned home from California.

BIRTHS

—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Conrad, a son, Sunday.

—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Millard Shasteen, a son, Tuesday. This is the seventh child born to this union.

—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Odler, a daughter, Sunday. Name Lucy Pearl.

—A son born to Mr. and Mrs. Appolis Hagerman, Tuesday, died shortly after birth.

—W. A. Newbould of Decatur spent Monday with relatives in this city.

**S. T. H. S.
Weekly News
Bulletin**

**Editor-in-Chief—Agnis Wright.
General News—Elda Wallace.
Class News—Genevieve Daum.
Music Notes—Dorothy Clark.
Jokes—Wallace Ritchie.
Athletics—Hildreth Walker.
Theme—Elta Collins.**

GENERAL NEWS

School cafeteria opened Monday. We had several visitors from the South Side School Monday and Tuesday of last week owing to their semester tests. They were: Alberta Harsh, Olive Ruth Martin, Dorothy Woods, Donabelle Pifer, Dale Elder, Ruth Finley, Ruth Gramblin, and Margie Newbould.

Mr. Tice announces too much loafing in the upper corridor.

The election of all student council members will be held next week.

After such a trying experience Thursday and Friday, we have decided to spend more time studying so as to avoid so much useless cramming the last three days of the second semester.

Helen Myers, who was operated on last week, is in the St. Mary's hospital in Decatur.

Helen Everett and Mary E. Leeds were absent this week on account of sickness.

CLASS NOTES

The Junior Class held a meeting at four o'clock Monday, January 17th, for the purpose of choosing our motto and class flower. The motto chosen was "Be Square," written: "B2". The class flower chosen was the rose. It was also decided that the Junior class would have a meeting the first Tuesday in every month.

The Senior English classes are starting on Emmerson's poems this semester.

The Freshman English classes are starting on "Lady of the Lake."

ATHLETIC NOTES

"Beat Arcola, well I should hope," these were the words heard around school building throughout the week. Now it has come to the end. Sure enough we won by a score of 16 to 26. Sure looks good. The game was played fast. Very few fouls were called. Gregg being high point man for this game.

Don't forget the big tournament this week, 27, 28, 29. Things look pretty good for all teams entered. There is a second team tournament this year.

MUSIC NOTES

The orchestra played for the Farmers-Teachers institute on Friday morning and Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Roney has chosen the opera which is to be given and the cast will be announced next week.

JOKES

Gerald Elder, "What's the difference between love and matrimony?"
Mr. Moore "I'm not discussing the topic of war now."

Gilham Lowe "I thought you said Caesar was dead."

Glen Clark "He isn't he?"

Gilham "Miss Todd says she teaches him."

Miss Baskin "Lloyd how many wars has the United States had?"

Lloyd G. "Five."

Miss Baskin "Enumerate them."

Lloyd "One, two, three, four, five."

George S., (in French) "Is this lesson to be written in ink?"

Miss Burns "No, in French."

THE MEANEST THING I EVER DID

When I entered my teens I was not allowed to attend school until after we had finished corn shucking which was from the first of December to January. Although I was going on nineteen and had taken the seventh and eight grade over many times, I again entered the small one-room faded school-building about the first of the second week in December.

The teacher, a pretty lady of about twenty or twenty-one had her pupils under control nicely. The older boys would always keep wood chopped ahead, and the smaller ones saw that some was always piled neatly by the old heater that stood in the middle of the room. The school room which was always tidy and clean was kept by the girls.

Well, let's go back to what I started to tell. When I entered this quiet school-room my thoughts began to wander about my fun and jokes that I would cast upon this first woman-teacher of this country school who had won the obedience of all her pupils so far. I worked against the laws of the school. However, much disappointed by my conduct, she made an exception to her law of paddling anyone for his disobedience because of my overgrown body; but nevertheless after two weeks of my deportment a change crept into that of the rest. She took refuge in her paddle which had shingle nails driven in it. The one being paddled with these could tell the result. She, then paddled all that disobeyed. Although not bragging about myself, I was very wise

about the day that I would be paddled, and would always manage to wear three or four extra pairs of pants. After the teacher was through with me I would look her in the face and laugh, while the next day, the others paddled could scarcely sit down. Nothing seemed to be the matter with me. For this reason, she wondered greatly and tried to find out why she could never hurt me.

Still having my little saw which belonged to my tool chest, I took my father's brace and bit and bored a hole under my desk at school. Through this hole I thrust my saw, fastened to a long wooden handle and each day in study time I would manage to saw five or six inches or sometimes more. The faint buzz-z-z, buzz-z-z-z of the saw would attract the teacher's attention but upon looking over her fifteen pupils, varying from five to twenty years of age she couldn't see anything disloyal and would turn her attention again to the recitations of one of her various (or rather few) classes. My sawing grew until unexpectedly the boards gave away, and the three very small children began to scream in the midst of their reading. The teacher teacher angrily ordered me to bring the paddle to her. I did, but not the one that she had made but the little paddle that our other teachers before her had used. Her face became red and I, without a word, marched back and hung the old paddle upon its nail and came forward slowly with her "so-so" paddle. She took it, ready to strike me with it. Although she had never before paddled a child, before the school, she was going to now. With a smile that gave away the secret that she had found out about wearing the extra pants, she commanded that I take off my pants. I obeyed. The silent school of the minutes before roared with laughter—except one or two of the oldest girls who blushed to see an over-grown boy in front of everyone in his underwear, and old blue shirt-tail. The teacher stood still and speechless, then under her breath ordered me to fix my pants. As I was doing this she dismissed the school. (She wanted to be alone after such an embarrassing moment.)

The next morning she was at her desk as though nothing had happened. Her morning classes were as usual but at recess she asked me to remain. After everyone else was out and the door shut, she asked me

to forgive her for what she had done yesterday afternoon. I answered her as manly as I knew how, by telling her that it was not hers but my own fault that such an accident happened, that I would strive always after this to do better and for her not to look upon it as a crime but always to think of it as being the meanest thing I ever did. She grasped my hand and answered, "You'll always be looked upon by em as an over-grown baby full of mischief."

SULLIVAN GIRL PASSES AWAY

JAN. 14th AT SPRINGFIELD
Mrs. Marjorie Harsh Pritchett passed away January 14th at the St. Johns hospital in Springfield. Her illness was due to the removal of her tonsils.

Mrs. Pritchett spent most of her life with her grandparents in Sullivan where she was known and liked by everyone.

She leaves her husband, Oscar L. Pritchett of Springfield, a grandmother, Mrs. Olive R. Gregg and a sister, Mrs. Roy J. Scott of Houston, Texas, also an aunt, Mrs. Agnes McCune and two uncles, Otis Gregg of Greenup and Bert Gregg of St. James, Mo.

MRS VALENTINE INJURED

Mrs. Floyd Valentine had one of her limbs bruised and scratched on Thursday of last week. She was assisting her husband in dragging snow off the road near the house. In some manner she slipped and got under the drag and the injuries resulted before the team attached to the drag could be stopped.

The smallest hair throws its shadow.—Goethe.

CHIROPRACTIC

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\$5,000 worth of brand new staple merchandise at your own prices. The stock consists of toilet goods, toilet articles, perfumes, ivory sets, manicure sets, leather goods, medicine, stock food, stock remedies, poultry tonics, paints, varnish and a large variety of other useful articles.

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Private sale at large discounts—Auction at 2 and 7 p. m. daily. We must have money. We have the merchandise but cannot pay bills with it.

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A RADIO SET will be given away absolutely FREE on SATURDAY NIGHT, FEBRUARY 5th. Attend the auction Feb. 1, 2 and 3 and get a ticket.

COME AND BUY AT YOUR OWN PRICES

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ONE DODGE COUPE very late model with new floor heater, dash control, automatic windshield wiper, rear view mirror, spare tire, bumpers, front and rear and other extras. This car is extra nice in appearance and guaranteed first class mechanically.

ONE 1926 ESSEX COACH with motor meter, heater, bumpers and spare tire and other extras which we received in trade from Mr. Tice, Principle of the Sullivan Township High School on a new Chrysler. This car has had wonderful care and in good condition with very low mileage.

ONE 1926 CHRYSLER "70" COACH fully equiped in every way, practically new at a big discount, new car guarantee.

LATE MODEL STAR COUPE perfect condition very cheap.

1925 FORD TOURING new tires, perfect condition, new top.

ONE BRAND NEW CHRYSLER "60" four door sedan at a discount because the factory has changed the color of this model, strictly 1927 car.

We also offer brand new '27 model Day Fan 7 tube radio set which we have taken in trade on a car with all equipment including batteries and speaker at a big discount and on any terms you wish, including a small monthly payments This set can be seen at our office.

**C. H. TABOR
Motor Sales**

PHONE 57

SULLIVAN ILLINOIS

NOTE—We loan money to responsible people on automobiles which you can repay s in small monthly payments.

**Closing-Out
PUBLIC SALE**

Having decided to quit farming, I will sell at public sale to the highest and best bidder at my place of residence, known as the Charley Drew place, about 1 1/2 miles North of the Masonic Home on

Monday, Jan. 31, 1927

Beginning at 10 o'clock a. m. the following described personal Property:

6 HEAD OF HORSES AND MULES 6

Black mule, wt. about 1000, 3 years old; one brown mare mule, 3 years old, wt. 1000; 3-year old sorrel mule, wt. 1000; team of gray mares, 9 and 10 years old, wt. 2600; black horse, smooth mouth.

3 HEAD OF CATTLE 3

One three year old Jersey, will be fresh soon; one red cow, 3 years old, was fresh last fall, gives about 2 gallons per day. Registered 3-year old Jersey bull, a good one.

Four Feeder Hogs weighing about 150 lbs. each

McCormick Deering Tractor outfit, consisting of 10-20 tractor, P. & O 2-bottom plow, I. H. C. 7-foot disc. Used to put in two crops and is in first class condition.

IMPLEMENTS

Two box wagons, one rack wagon and rack; three one-row Tower cultivators; one 2-row Tower cultivator; John Deere planter 99, used one planting; one 8-foot horse disc, one harrow; 8-foot McCormick binder; E-B mower; end gate oats seeder; 7-foot E-B wheat drill, John Deere right hand 12-inch gang; one 12-inch walking plow; I. H. C. manure spreader; Primrose No. 2 cream separator; Washing machine and 1-H. P. Mogul engine; one galvanized horse tank; one Farmers Friend corn dump, good condition; hand corn sheller; 4 sets of work harness, three of these are extra good; 4 leather collars, halters, etc.

Also a lot of smaller articles too numerous to mention.

TERMS OF SALE

On sums over \$10 a credit of three, six and nine months will be given, purchaser to give bankable note. All sums of \$10 or less cash. No property to be removed from the premises until terms of sale are complied with.

RAYMOND BEALS

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A FEW OBSERVATIONS

ON NEWS OF THE DAY

While Uncle Sam is so much concerned about protecting investments of his citizens in Mexico and Nicaragua, we rise to ask what steps he is going to take in the matter of a \$125,000 which Sam Insull invested in a United States Senator.

Regardless of what proposition they may have to offer, will the C. I. P. S. never learn that it cannot do any business with the present generation of the people of Sullivan?

Did you ever stop to analyze that word "Vindication"? As used nowadays it seems to have an altogether different meaning than that which the dictionaries ascribe to it.

PHONE COMPANY STOCK OFFERED TO COMMUNITY

Announcement was made this week by the Illinois Central Telephone company that a limited amount of preferred stock of that concern has been offered to residents of the towns and cities in which the company operates its exchanges.

The company has a record of successful operation over many years. The exchanges of which it is composed have been operated by its officials in some cases as long as 16 years.

A merger was completed last July by which nearly a score of companies were included in the Illinois Central Telephone company.

Conservation has always featured the operation of the exchanges, and high standards of equipment and operation have been established and maintained.

The company now owns and operates exchanges in Auburn, Virden, Girard, Carlinville, Gillespie, Maroa, Benld, Illiopolis, Niantic, Greenview, Middletown, Washington, Chillicothe, Sparlar, London Mills, Sullivan, Macon, Williamsville, Hopevale and Abingdon.

The General Finance corporation, with central offices in Joliet, is the financial agent for the Illinois Central Telephone company, and is offering the securities of the telephone company for sale.

The securities offered bear 7 per cent interest and the shares are offered at par. The dividends are

CLASSIFIED ADS.

LOST—Bunch of keys. Finder return to Progress office for reward.

FOR SALE—A barn in good condition. Call J. I. Wright, Phone 268.

FOR SALE—Plenty of timothy hay, stored in Sullivan. Call Charles Wood. Phone 6314, Sullivan. 4-3

STRAYED—3-year old colt. Last seen south of town. Notify George Purvis, Sullivan. 3-3.

C. BROWN LEGHORNS eggs for setting purposes for sale 4c an egg.—Mrs. Ross Thomas, Sullivan, Ill., R. F. D. No. 2. Arthur phone 5912. 2-tf.

BABY CHIX—\$1.00 per hundred off on all orders placed before February 1st. 10% deposit holds an order. Complete line of brooder stoves and equipment on hand at very low prices; another car of mixed feeds coming soon almost at cost. Write for prices. Moultrie County Hatchery, Sullivan, Illinois, Phone No. 6. 2-tf.

FOR SALE—Barred Rock cockerels, Ringlet strain.—Mrs. W. S. Elder, Jr., Sullivan phone 8416. 1-4

FOR RENT—4 room house, 3 blocks from Square on Washington St.—See C. W. Green. 1-tf

WANTED—Will buy all dressed or undressed rabbits you will bring me.—W. C. Neaves, 608 Grant St. Sullivan. 47-tf.

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

FOR UPHOLSTERING and all kinds of furniture work, call Lucas, Phone 462, Sullivan, Ill. 1f

RES AND TUBES, new and used, at low prices.—W. H. Walker. 12th

exempt from normal income taxes and the shares themselves are exempt from local taxation. The telephone company has nearly \$2,000,000 worth of properties, and is one of the best established and most successful operators of telephone exchanges in the country.

ILLINOIS IS SIXTH IN NATION'S EXPORTS

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 25.—Illinois' place in the exports of the nation is pictured in a bulletin just issued by the department of commerce, Washington. This reveals that only five states produce more goods for export than Illinois and that only one inland state, Michigan, exceeds Illinois in exports.

The Illinois Chamber of Commerce which is organizing a Good-Will Trade Cruise to Gulf of Mexico and Caribbean Sea ports, leaving from New Orleans on February 3, to investigate export markets, in a bulletin just issued says: "Illinois business men must watch carefully their export business. For the third quarter of 1926 exports of merchandise from Illinois totaled \$58,204,491. This is \$5,674,635 less than the exports for the same period in 1925.

"Lard, hams, shoulders, bacon and sausage casings totaled in value \$10,645,578; wheat and wheat flour, \$10,395,902; harvesters, binders, vehicles and machinery, \$5,393,807 with binder twine, corn starch and iron and steel the other leading items. Illinois must extend its markets."

John H. Camlin, of Rockford, president of the Illinois Chamber of Commerce, will head the delegation of seventy-eight which will sail from New Orleans on February 3. The S. S. Cartago has been chartered for the cruise and twenty-one days will be spent at sea the voyage covering about 3,500 miles.

Ports in Cuba, Jamaica, Columbia, S. A., Canal Zone and Costa Rica will be visited. Only four cabins remain to be reserved which indicates that the ship will sail with a full personnel for the cruise.

THAT'S WHAT WE ALWAYS WONDERED

The teacher had been lecturing his class on the wisdom often displayed by animals and birds. He compared it with that of human beings, to the latter's disadvantage.

Having finished his discourse, he invited his pupils to ask questions bearing on the subject.

"One small boy held up his hand. "Well," said the teacher, "what is it you want to know?"

"I want to know, sir," was the reply, "what makes chickens know how big our egg-cups are?"

PROPOSED GAS TAX LEGISLATION UNNECESSARY SAYS CHICAGO MOTOR CLUB

No other agency in Illinois has done so much to promote good roads as has the Chicago Motor Club. The \$60,000,000 road bond issue would surely have failed had it not been for the support given by the Chicago Motor Club. Later the \$100,000,000 road bond issue was suggested.

Powerful opposition appeared in the field against an additional bond issue, but the Chicago Motor Club acting upon the assurance that state license fees and state license fees alone would retire the bonds, and that no other tax would be required threw all its support to the bond issue and the bond issue passed. In like manner the club supported the \$15,000,000 road bond issue in Cook county. Now we are asked to pay an additional tax. Why?

Twenty nine million dollars of the hundred million dollar issues have already been spent, and to complete the sixty million dollar bond system an additional \$16,000,000 will be needed. Politicians favoring a gas tax say we need more money to build roads now, and that a tax of 2 cents a gallon on gas should be levied on motorists.

The mere matter of seventy-one million dollars seems to be a bagatelle scarcely worth mentioning. We need the money now, say the gas tax proponents, and in order to get it, car owners are asked to pay a tax of two cents on every gallon of gasoline they may buy.

It has taken eight years to spend the sixty million dollars provided by the first bond issue and an additional twenty-nine million out of the hundred million dollar bond issue, a total of eighty-nine million dollars.

At this rate of expenditure it will take from four to five years to spend the remaining funds which with Federal aid figured at \$8,000,000 (for two years) will be about \$63,000,000.

The rather amusing argument is advanced that because other states levy a tax on Illinois motorists, we should retaliate by taxing ourselves so that we might collect revenue from visitors. The amount collected from visitors would be insignificant compared with the taxation burden forced upon Illinois motorists.

It is said too, that Illinois is one of four states that do not have a gas tax, and for that reason a gas tax should be enacted. The argument is illogical on the face of it. If Illinois were the only state in the Union that did not have a gas tax it would not prove that a gas tax was right.

Conditions, however, are different in many of the states in which a gas tax is in force; the majority of the states making use of a tax have no state bond issues for road building; and no other state has voted bond issues in such large amounts as

has Illinois. In many states a gasoline tax is necessary because the state fee is low. In Illinois the license fee on a Dodge Touring car is \$8; in California where there is a gas tax, the fee is \$3; in Ohio the fee is \$4. In sparsely settled states the fee is high and a gas tax is collected also, but Ohio and California can be compared with Illinois in the matter of car registration. In Oregon where there are few cars there is a gas tax and the license fee on a Dodge is \$34. The wealthy and popular state of Illinois cannot be compared with Oregon, Wyoming or Arkansas.

Another argument advanced by those in favor of a gas tax is that the man who destroys the road should pay for it, and hence a gas tax is the most equitable form of taxation.

A gas tax is a tax on use, and following this line of reasoning to its logical conclusion, the man with four children should pay a larger tax for the schools than the man with one child.

As we have seen the argument is advanced that most of the states have a gas tax, and for that reason Illinois motorists should be forced to carry the burden of such a tax. This implication is that the people in these other states favor a gas tax. The truth is that the people have had little to do with the enactment of gas tax laws; state legislators eager to get additional revenue, and counting upon the motorist as the most likely prospect, have simply enacted such measures into law.

It is up to the motorists of Illinois to tell their Senators and Representatives that they do not want a gas tax and that the motoring public will hold its Senators and Representatives strictly accountable if any kind of gas tax is enacted into law.

A gas tax is unfair; it is not needed; motorists pay enough in taxes (too much, in fact) now. Let your Senators and Representatives know your views on the gas tax. Write or wire them NOW!—Legislative Bulletin.

VAMP EACH OTHER, AND BE HAPPY, IS ADVICE TO MARRIED FOLKS.

The honeymoon is over when the husband ceases to try to win his wife and takes her for granted; therefore men should take a post-graduate course in vamping, according to Marie Andresen, assistant state's attorney at Chicago.

Miss Andresen, who has investigated hundreds of stranded romances and their causes, admonishes men to "Always be your wife's best beau!" "Vamp each other and be happy," is her watchword for young married couples.

In an interview to reporters, Miss Andresen agreed with Judge William J. Gemmill, a prominent divorce jurist, who advises wives to outvamp the other woman—or women—and win back their husbands, but she believes the system is just as beneficial and proper for men.

"If a man maintains the charming courtesies, the extreme solicitude for her comfort, and his adoring attitude, he'll never lose her love," she said.

"But when he comes home and begins to nag her for petty little faults, the romance is headed for the rocks. And when he seeks sympathy with other women, the jig is up.

His interest is diverted elsewhere and his wife generally loses all her regard for him. Only by mutual vamping can marriage endure. Always give 'em a new thrill."

DEV. C. McGEHEE EX-KLAN LEADER OUSTED BY CHURCH

Ousting of Rev. Charles D. McGehee, former "grand titan" of the East St. Louis Ku Klux Klan, from the Presbyterian ministry in Texas, is reported in a letter from McGehee to a member of the Haven Street Methodist church, Carondelet, Mo., where the former Klan lecturer and organizer preached until expelled by the local Methodist council three years ago.

McGehee, pastor of a Presbyterian church in San Antonio, was formally admitted to the ministry by the Presbytery of Western Texas last June, but this action was rescinded last week on his admission that credentials purporting to come from the Presbytery of Southern Illinois were false, the recipient of the letter explained.

His "history and eviction from the Methodist church on charges of falsehood would certainly have been no recommendation with which to gain entry to the Presbyterian ministry," explained Rev. Oliver H. Duggins, the present pastor of the Haven Street Methodist church.

McGehee's expulsion followed a dispute between him and Bishop W. F. McMurray after the Bishop had ordered the pastor to cease using Haven Street church as a Klan organizing headquarters.

TO MAKE SURE

"If every young girl had a hobby at home half our saxophone players would be out of work," announces a daily paper. Then I suggest that every young girl should have two hobbies at home.

A LITTLE AT A TIME

According to a morning paper women are now buying dresses on the installment system. We seem to have seen some of them wearing the first installment.

A loafer never allows himself to get out of practice.

ANNUAL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT NOW BEING PLAYED IN STHS GYM

The annual basketball tournament started Thursday evening in the Sullivan STHS gym and will close Saturday night. A first and second team are entered from each of the following high schools: Sullivan, Lovington, Arthur, Bethany and Windsor.

All of these teams have been playing good ball and the contest starts with no favorites. Of course every town is picking its team to win, but past performance shows no really outstanding team which will have a walk-away with the honors.

The tournament usually attracts big crowds of fans from all parts of the county and it is expected that this year's contest will be no exception.

As the playing teams are decided by elimination it is not possible to announce what teams will play from day to day.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Estate of Andrew J. Little, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed Administrator of the estate of Andrew J. Little, 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 April term on the first Monday in April 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 27th day of January A. D. 1927.

Guy S. Little, Administrator. Thompson & Wright, Attorneys. 4-3.

SULLIVAN BOYS AGAIN DEFEAT THE ARCOLA BASKET BALL TEAM

On Friday night of last week Sullivan STHS won itself another basketball game at the expense of the visiting Arcolians. The score at the close of the third quarter was tied 16 to 16. In the last quarter Sullivan made a spurt that carried it on to victory 20 to 16.

ANCESTOR WORSHIP

It seems reasonably certain that everybody has ancestors, but for some reason it is considered un-American to admit it. You may boast about your car, your golf, your bridge, or your children, with impunity. But even so much as mention your ancestors and you will be put down at once as either a snob or a Virginian. Yet, win a man's confidence, and, with the same secrecy he would employ in giving the address of his bootlegger, he will reveal the evidence of his decent from a Stuart, a Plantagenet, from Alfred the Great, or a Roman Emperor.

Why ancestor worship should be regarded with scorn it is difficult to say, unless perhaps it is that so many of the male ancestors served in the Legislatures of their time. Aside from that they appear to have been quite harmless people, spending their days driving about in coaches and four, dispensing lavish hospitality, sitting to portrait painters, handing bouquets to Lafayette, or listing the names of their numerous offspring in the family Bible for purpose of identification.

In time of peace it was unbecoming for ancestors to do any work, though they might hold down a job as sheriff or justice of the peace in a spirit of service. But in time of war they fairly overwhelmed leaders like George Washington, by acting as messenger boys, and nothing inspired them so much as a hail of lead. How they could have escaped death in the hardships they endured is cause for wonder, unless it was that they were pre-ordained to become ancestors.

The further you go back, the greater the number of your ancestors, and unluckily, indeed, is the man who cannot find at least one fairly distinguished ancestor among two thousand or more. The undistinguished fade gracefully out of the picture, and their tombstones tell no tales.

Don't make fun of ancestors and their worship. You may be one of them yourself some day. And when you do become an ancestor, it is safe to assume that you rattling flivver will be exalted into a twin-six bottle-green car, with a chauffeur in livery to match.

Auto Tourist—I clearly had the right of way when this man ran into me, and yet you say I was to blame. Local Cop—You certainly were. Autoist—Why? Local Cop—Because his father is Mayor, his brother is chief of police, and I go with his sister.

SATISFIED

Long-suffering Tailor—You recently inherited money. Why not pay me what you owe me? His Client—I wouldn't like people to think that inheriting money has changed my habits.

TAKE THAT

"Now then what should a polite little boy say to a lady who has given him a penny for carrying her parcels?" "I am too polite to say it, madam."

ALLENVILLE.

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Misenheimer and daughter spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. C. I. Sutton, and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Len Conwell visited with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Conwell Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Burtcheard and Mrs. Cecil McCullar spent Wednesday evening in Sullivan.

Mrs. Minnie West of Florida who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Harry Booker is now visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leno Sullivan in Sullivan.

O. G. Buxton was a business caller in Sullivan Thursday.

Vernon Sutton spent Thursday evening with Forrest Misenheimer. Miss Fern Turner and Mrs. Sylvia Tuggle were business callers in Mattoon Thursday afternoon.

Archie Lowe is visiting relatives and friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Dolan were callers in Sullivan Thursday. Callie Burnett and Will Osborn were visitors in Sullivan Thursday and Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Smith and children spent Friday evening and Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Shaw of Sullivan.

Miss Edythe Preston returned home Saturday from a week's visit with Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Brooks of Sullivan.

Mrs. Julia Humphrey is visiting with John Black and family and Will Black and family.

Mrs. Earle Green returned to her home in St. Louis Friday after several days' visit here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Moran.

Hugh Dolan, John Black, Will Avsborn, Frank Moore, Rev. Ridgway were callers in Sullivan Saturday.

Oral Ridgway returned to his work as fireman in Bloomington, Ind., on Monday after a few days' vacation here with his parents and other relatives.

Mrs. A. J. Pettit and Mrs. Frank Glover were business callers in Sullivan Saturday.

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James K. Huie left Friday for a visit with relatives in Wisconsin. Ernie Galbreath was a visitor here Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Forest Misenheimer and daughter, Mrs. Laura Sutton and daughter Catherine and Merwin Briscoe spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. I. Sutton and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Moran spent Monday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Len Conwell.

C. D. Booker has been spending a few days in Sullivan with relatives. Miss Marguerite Newlin returned to Charleston Monday after spending the week end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. S. LeGrand.

D. G. Carnine and J. B. Tabor of Sullivan were business callers here Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Misenheimer spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Wernsing.

Joe French of Mattoon spent the first of the week visiting relatives here.

Mrs. Gloe Rardin and daughter of Lerna spent the first of the week here.

Mrs. E. Titus of Mattoon is visiting relatives.

Victor Wiley was a business caller in Mattoon Tuesday.

The 'legger's in his counting house—Counting out his money, The youth is out on a carousel—And drinks and thinks it's funny—His flapper doesn't like the stuff—But drinks it down en regle.

The family doctor calls the bluff—And saves them from the Devil. Am. Medical Journal

—Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fisher and Mrs. Alice Boyce spent Wednesday in Decatur.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Flynn and son Richard spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Charley Moore.

Want of decency is want of sense.—Roscommon.

REPORT OF C. R. HILL, TREASURER OF THE MOULTRIE COUNTY CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN RED CROSS FROM DECEMBER 1925 TO DECEMBER 28, 1926. RECEIPTS

Table with columns: Date, From Whom Received, Amount. Lists receipts from Lake City, Lovington, Dalton City, Florida Relief, etc.

Total Receipts ----- \$520.25

EXPENSES

Table with columns: Date, To Whom Paid, Amount. Lists expenses for Daniel Burcham, Membership, American Red Cross, etc.

Total Expenditures ----- \$584.04

Recapitulation

Summary table showing Received of G. R. Fleming, former Treasurer, Total Receipts during the year, Total Expenditures during year, and Balance on hand, December 29, 1926.

Total ----- \$766.05

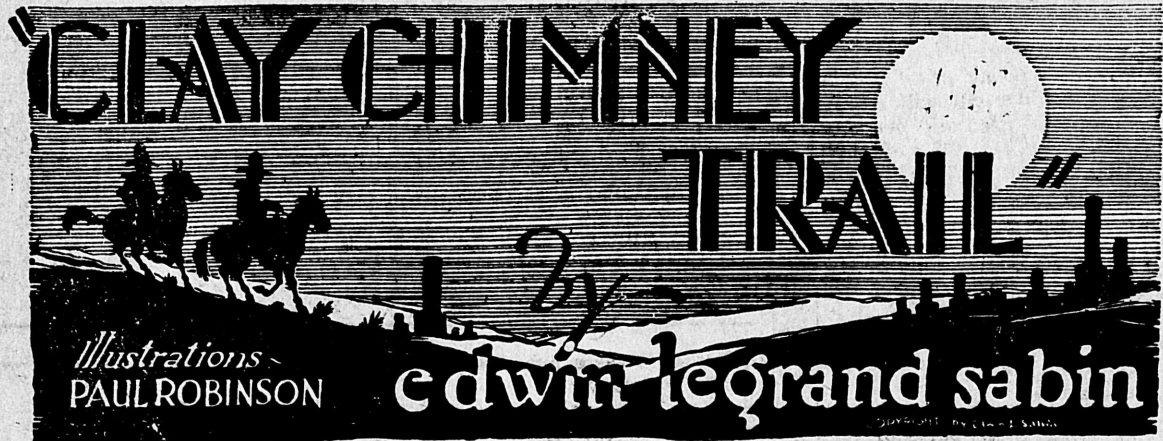
Total Expenditures during year ----- \$584.04

Balance on hand, December 29, 1926 ----- 182.01

Total ----- \$766.05

Respectfully submitted, C. R. HILL, Treasurer.

MRS. CARRIE DEDMAN, Chairman. Approved January 6, 1927 F. J. Thompson, Homer W. Committee.



A PAIR OF BLUE EYES

In the estimate of the affable brakeman we were making a fair average of twenty miles an hour across the greatest country on earth.

It was a flat country of far horizons, and for vast stretches peopled mainly, as one might judge from the car windows, by antelope and prairie dogs.

Yet despite the novelty of such a ride behold me, surfeited with already five days' steady travel, engrossed chiefly in observing a clear, dainty profile and waiting for the glimpses, time to time, of a pair of exquisite blue eyes.

Merely to indulge myself in feminine beauty, however, I need not have undertaken the expense and fatigue of journeying from Albany on the Hudson out to Omaha on the plains side of the Missouri River; thence by the Union Pacific Railroad of the new transcontinental line into the Indian country.

There were handsome women aplenty in the East; and of access, also, to a youth of family and parts!

But here I was, advised by the physicians to "go West," meaning by this not simply the one-time West of Ohio, or Illinois, or even Iowa, but the remote and genuine West lying beyond the Missouri.

The Union Pacific announcements acclaimed that this summer of 1868 the rails should cross the Black Hills Mountains of Wyoming to another range of the Rocky Mountains, in Utah; and that by the end of the year one might ride comfortably clear to Salt Lake City! And somewhere in the expanse of brand new Western country, the plains and mountains, I would find at least the breath of life.

When I arrived in Omaha the ticket agent was enabled to sell me transportation away to the present western terminus, Benton, Wyoming Territory itself, six hundred and ninety miles west of the Missouri.

Of Benton I had never heard. But in round figures, seven hundred miles! Practically the distance from Albany to Cincinnati, and itself distant from Albany over two thousand miles! All by rail.

The lady of the blue eyes was bound for the same point. Ye gods, but she was a little beauty; a perfect blonde, of the petite and fully formed type, with regular features inclined to the clean-cut Grecian, a piquant mouth deliciously bowed, two eyes of the deepest blue veiled by long lashes, and a mass of glinting golden hair upon which perched a ravishing little bonnet.

The natural ensemble was enhanced by her costume, all of black, from the closely fitting bodice to the rustling crinoline beneath which there peeped out tiny shoes. I had opportunity also to note the jet pendant in the shelly ear toward me, and the flashing rings upon the fingers of her hands.

Could she by any chance live in Benton—a woman dressed as she was, as much a la mode as if she walked Broadway in New York? Omaha itself had astonished me with the display upon its streets; and now if Benton, far out in the wilderness, should prove another surprise!

Indeed, the Western world was not so raw, after all. Half of my seat at the start had been effectually filled by a large stout, red-faced woman who formed the base of a pyramid of boxes and parcels.

She was going to North Platte; three hundred miles westward. I told her I was going to Benton.

"I reckon you're a gambler!" she accused.

"I am seeking health in the West," I said, "where the climate is high and dry."

"My Gawd!" she blurted, "High and dry! You're goin' to the right place. For all I hear tell, Benton is high enough and dry enough. But laws sakes, you don't need to go that fur. You can as well stop off at North Platte, or Sidney, Cheyenne. They'll sculp you sure at Benton—unless you watch out mighty sharp."

"How so, may I ask?"

"You're certainly green," she apprised. "Benton's roarin' and I know what that means. Didn't North Platte roar? I seen it at its beginnin's. My old man and me, we were there from the fust, when it started in as the railroad terminal. My sakes, but them were times! Gamblin', shootin', drinkin', and high cockalorum night and day! 'Twasn't no place for innocent! Easy come, easy go, that was the word. I don't say but what times were good, though. My old man contracted government freight, and I run an eatin' house for the railroaders, so

we made money. Then when the railroad moved terminus, the rest of the crowd moved, too. You stop off at North Platte, Nebraska. It's healthy and it's moral."

But since I had crossed the Missouri something had entered into my blood which rendered me obstinate against such allurement. For her North Platte, "strictly moral," I had no ardent feeling. I was set upon Benton.

And in after days—soon to arrive—I bitterly regretted that I had not yielded to her counsel.

Nevertheless this was true, at present:

"But I have already purchased my ticket to Benton," I objected. "If I don't like it I can move elsewhere. Possibly to Salt Lake City, or to Denver."

She snorted.

"In among them Mormons? My Gawd, yong man! Where they live in conkinbage—several women to one man, like a buffler herd or other beasts of the field? Denver—well, Denver mightn't be bad, but ain't no no railroad, either. If you want health, and to grow up with a strickly moral community, you throw in with North Platte."

"I thank you," I replied, "But since I've started for Benton I think I'll go on. And if I don't like it you may see me in North Platte after all."

She grunted.

"You can find me at the Bon Ton restaurant. If you get in broke, I'll take care of you."

In remarkably short order she was asleep.

The brakeman came in later, lighting the coal-oil lamp. Outside, the twilight had deepened into dusk.

Numerous passengers were making ready for bed; the men by removing their boots, shoes and coats and galling and stretching out; the women and girls by loosening their stays, with significant clicks and sighs, and laying their heads upon adjacent shoulders or drooping against seat ends. Babies cried, and were hushed.

Final "night-caps were taken from the prevalent bottles. The brakeman leaned to me. "Yo for North Platte?"

"No sir, Benton, Wyoming Territory."

"Then you had better move up to the car ahead. This car stops at North Platte."

Fortune had favored me—across the aisle from my seat only a couple of seats beyond, I glimpsed the top of a golden head, securely low and barricaded in by luggage.

I slept until midnight.

The train was rumbling as before. The lamps had been extinguished—the coach atmosphere was heavy with oil smell and the exhalations of human beings in all stages of deshabille.

But the golden head was there, about as when last sighted.

Now it stirred, and erected a little. I felt the unseemliness of sitting and waiting for her to make her toilet, so I hastily staggered to achieve my own by aid of the water tank, tin basin, roller towel and small looking glass at the rear.

The coach was the last in the train. I stepped out upon the back platform for fresh air.

A bevy of antelope flashed white tails at us as they scudded away. Two motionless figures, horseback, whom I took to be wild Indians, surveyed us from the distant sand hill.

Across the river there appeared a fungus of low building, almost indistinguishable, with a glimmer of canvas-topped wagons fringing it. That was the old emigrant road.

While I was thus orienting myself the car door opened and closed. I turned my head. The lady of the Blue Eyes had joined me. As fresh as the morning she was!

"Oh! You? I beg your pardon, sir," I felt her diffidence was more polite than sincere.

"You are heartily welcome," I assured. "There is air enough for us both."

We tore by another freight waiting upon a siding located amidst a wide debris of tin cans and barren spots, resembling the ruins from fire and quake.

"There is Juleburg."

"A town?" I gasped.

"The end!" She smiled. "The only inhabitants now are in the station-house and the graveyard."

"And the others? Where are they?"

"Farther west. Many of them in Benton."

"Indeed? Or in North Platte?" I bantered.

"North Platte!" She laughed merrily. "Dear me, don't mention North Platte—not in the same breath with Benton, or even Cheyenne. A town of hayseeds and dollar-a-day clerks whose height of sport is to go fishing in the Platte! A young man like you would die of ennui in North Platte."

Her free speech accorded ill with what I had been accustomed to in womankind; and yet became her sparkling eyes and general dash.

"Will you," she asked, "join me in a little appetizer? You will find it a superior cognac—and we breakfast shortly, at Sidney."

From a pocket of her skirt she had extracted a small silver flask, stoppered with a tiny screw cup.

Her face swam before me, in my astonishment.

"I rarely drink liquor, madam," I stammered.

"Nor I. But when traveling—you know. And in high and—dry Benton, liquor is quite a necessity! You will not decline to taste with a lady? Let's drink to better acquaintance, in Benton!"

"With all my heart, madam," I blurted.

We consummated our pledges just in time. The brakeman issued, bringing discord into my heaven of blue and gold and comfortable warmth.

With a daring glance at him and a parting smile for me she passed inside. The brakeman lingered.

"Friend of yours, is she?"

"I met her at Omaha, is all," I stiffly informed. "You are acquainted with the lady, yourself?"

"Her? Sure. I know about everybody along the line between Platte and Cheyenne."

"She lives in Benton, though, I understand," I proffered.

"Yep. Followed her man. A heap of people moved from Cheyenne to Benton, by way of Laramie."

"She is married, then?"

"Far as I know. Anyway, she's not single, by a long shot." And he laughed.

"RIDE, SHOOT AND TELL THE TRUTH"

The brakeman went on: "But Lord, that cuts no great figger. People here don't stand on ceremony in those matters. Everything's aboveboard. Hands on the table until time to draw—then draw quick."

His language was a little too bluff for me.

"Her husband is in business?"

"Business?" He laid a finger alongside his nose, and winked wisely. "You bet yuh! And good business. Are you on?"

"Am I on?" I repeated. "On what? What is all this about?"

"I'll be damned!" he roundly vouchsafed. And—"You've been having a quiet little smile with her, eh?" He sniffed suspiciously. "A few swigs of that'll make a pioneer of you quicker'n alkali. She's favoring you—eh? Now if she tells you of a system, take my advice and quit while your hair's long."

"My hair is my own fashion, sir," I rebuked. "And the lady is not for discussion between gentlemen, particularly as my acquaintance with her is only casual."

"Tut, tut," he grinned. "No offense intended, Mister Pilgrim. Her and me are good enough friends. There's no brace game in that deal. I only aim to give you a steer. Savvy?" And he winked. "You're out to see the elephant, yourself."

"I am seeking health, is all," I explained.

"High and dry? By golly, then Benton's the ticket. It's sure high, and sure dry."

He leaned over the side steps, and gazed ahead. "Sydney in sight."

As I left the station dining-room I found the lady of the blue eyes strolling alone upon the platform.

"You are rather slow in action, sir," she lightly accused. "We might have breakfasted together!"

"I plead guilty, madam," I admitted. "But the next meal shall be my privilege."

"For dinner, yes; at Cheyenne."

"And after that you will be home."

"Of course," she laughed shortly. "Benton is now 'home.' We have moved so frequently that I have grown to call almost no place home."

"I judge then that you are connected, as may happen, with a flexible business," I hazarded.

"There is money in following the railroad, and that is our present life, she said frankly. "A town springs up, you know, at each terminus, booms as long as the freight and passengers pile up—and all of a sudden the go-ahead business and professional men pull stakes for the next terminus as soon as located."

We were interrupted. A drunken rowdy was careening over the plat-

form, a large revolver dangling at his thigh.

His language was extremely offensive—he had an ugly mood on, but nobody interfered. The crowd stood aside—the natives laughing, the tourists like myself viewing him askance, and several Indians watching only gravely.

He sighted us.

"Howdy?" he uttered, with an oath. "Shay—hello, stranger. Have a 'smile.' Take two, one for lady. Hic!" And he thrust a bottle at me. My lady drew back. I civilly declined the "smile."

"Thank you. I do not drink."

"What?" His tone stiffened. "The hell you say. Have a smile you pilgrim; fer if you don't—"

"Train's starting, Jim," she interposed sharply. "If you want to get aboard you'd better hurry."

The bell was ringing, the passengers were hurrying, incited by the conductor's shout: "All board!"

Without another word the lady tripped for the car steps. I gave the fellow one firm look and perforce left him. The train moved as I jumped on the nearest car and the conductor and brakeman hauled the tipsy fellow aboard.

My lady was ensconced.

"Did they get Jim?" she inquired.

"By the scruff of the neck. You know him?"

"He's from Benton. I suppose he's been down here on a little pas-sage, as they say."

I had no more than seated myself beside her when the brakeman ambled through, his face in a broad grin.

"Well, we got him corralled," he proclaimed. "He'll sleep it off and be ready for sight."

But soon there was a commotion in the forward part of the car. Jim had appeared.

"Have a 'smile,' ladies an' gents," he was bellowing thickly, "Hooray! Have a smile on me. Great an' gloryous 'casion—'ic! Everybody smile. Drink to op'nin' gloryous Pacific—'ic Railway. Thash it. Hooray!"

It was inevitable that he would reach us. I heard My Lady utter a little gasp, as she sat more erect.

"Have a 'smile,' you two," he roared. "Wouldn't smile at the station; gottu smile now. Lesh be good fellers."

"You go back to your seat, Jim," she ordered tensely. "Go back, if you know what's good for you."

"Whash that? Who your dog last year? Shady! You can't come no highy-tighty over me. Who your new friend? Shay!" He reeled and gripped the seat. "By Gawd, I got the dead-wood on you, you—!" and he had loosed a torrent of epithets.

"For that I'd kill you in any other place, Jim," she said. "You know I'm not afraid of you. Now get, you wolf!" She had made sudden movement of hand and I saw almost under my nose the smallest pistol imaginable.

"No!" I warned. "No matter. I'll tend to him."

The fellow's mouth opened as if for fresh abuse—and half rising I landed upon it with my fist.

"Go where you belong, you drunken whelp!"

I had struck and spoken at the same time, with a rush of wrath that surprised me more, for while I was not conscious of having exerted much force he toppled backward clear across the aisle, crashed down in a heap under the opposite seat.

"Look out! Look out!" she cried. Up he scrambled, wrenching at his revolver, but the brakeman and conductor arrived, in a jiffy he was hustled forward. I sank back breathless.

Congratulations echoed dully.

"The right spirit!"

"That'll 'arn him to insult a lady. 'Shake, Mister."

"For a pilgrim you're consider-ble of a hoss."

The lady herself was amazingly cool under the epithets that he had applied. I admired her for that as she gazed at me pleadingly.

"A drunken man is not responsible for words or actions," I said. "Possibly I should not have struck him. In the Far West you may be more accustomed to these episodes than we are in the East."

"I don't know. There is a limit. You did right. I thank you heartily. 'Still—and she mused—"you can't always depend on your fists alone. Fists are a short-range weapon. The men generally wear a gun somewhere. It is the custom."

"Under your tutelage I am sure I shall do well," I accepted. "I may call upon you in Benton? If you will favor me with you address—?"

"My address?" She searched my face in a manner startled. "You'll have no difficulty finding me; in event—and she smiled archly—"you are not afraid of strange women."

"I have been taught to respect women, madam," said I.

"Oh!" I seemed to have pleased her. "You have been carefully brought up, sir."

"To fear God, respect women, and act the man as long as I breathe," I asserted.

"That may go excellently in the East," she answered. "But we in the West favor the Persian maxim—to ride, to shoot, and to tell the truth. With those three qualities even a tenderfoot can establish himself."

"You hear the truth when I say I anticipate much pleasure as well as renewed health, in Benton," I declared.

"Were we by ourselves we would

LAKE CITY.

Mrs. W. E. Jones of Spokane, Wash., arrived Wednesday for a visit with her sister, Mrs. John Powell and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Madigan and Joe Borgic visited several days last week with relatives at Pana.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryant will move to a far mear Benton this week. Roy Dickson and family will move into the property they vacate.

Miss Sylvia Dickson spent Saturday in Decatur.

County meeting of the Odd Fellows was held in the lodge rooms Friday night.

Mrs. Sarah Scott and son Fred are moving this week to a farm near Milmine.

John Cripe and family are moving to a farm north of La Place.

Mrs. Eleanor Moehn was a Sullivan caller Sunday evening.

T. F. Winings transacted business in Decatur Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Powell of near Casner visited with John Powell and family Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Baker, of Decatur, spent the week end with relatives here.

Frank Noel was a Decatur caller Monday.

Miss Aileen Dickson attended a class party at Lovington Friday night.

Mrs. Ona Mitchell has arrived home after a several weeks visit with her daughter, Mrs. Lawrence Lindsay in Decatur.

Mr. and Mrs. George Ault were Decatur visitors Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hagaman left for their home in Iowa Saturday after a visit with Will Stackhouse and family.

J. H. Brohard is on the sick list.

BRUCE.

Mr. and Mrs. Normal Pressy and daughter spent Sunday with Otto Kinsel and family.

Mrs. Rose Bragg and son Francis spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Herman Rauch.

Bart Tull will move to the Waggoner property here in March.

Mrs. Taylor Plummer was a Decatur visitor a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Sharp and family of Kirk were week end visitors with relatives here.

Mrs. Gladys Bragg spent Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Fred Sampson.

Mrs. Vira Niles and Miss Icel Hidden were visitors last week with Mr. and Mrs. Norman Hidden.

There was no church services here Sunday night owing to the weather and conditions of the roads.

Everett Hawbaker and Ollie Sampson were Sullivan callers Saturday.

George Taylor and family spent one day last week with Mr. and Mrs. John Ritchey.

Gerald Bragg of near Bruce has the mumps and the children of Sam Davis also have them.

The infant baby of Mr. and Mrs. John Reed is very ill, being threatened with pneumonia.

Orval Bragg and family were Sullivan visitors Friday.

Leroy Byrom of near Bruce has been on the sick list.

Will Sampson of Sullivan spent Thursday of last week with Edgar Sampson and family.

CARD OF THANKS

We desire to express our many thanks to all our friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted us during the hour of our bereavement when our grandmother, aunt and mother, passed away. Especially do we thank the men who so faithfully faced the severe cold and dug the grave. Also for the pretty flowers.

Albert Glazebrook
Mr. and Mrs. Lon Jones
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Steele and Family
Mr. and Mrs. Alva Courtright

seal the feature in another 'smile' together," she slyly promised. "Unless that might shock you."

"I am ready to fall in with the customs of the country," I assured. "I certainly am not adverse to smiles, when fittingly proffered."

Our passage was astonishingly short, but the sun was near to setting when the brakeman shouted:

"Benton! Benton in five minutes! 'My valise, please.'"

I brought it. The conductor, who like the other officials knew My Lady, pushed to us and laid hand upon it.

"I'll see you out," he announced. "Come ahead."

"Pardon. That shall be my privilege," I interposed. But she quickly denied.

"No please. The conductor is an old friend. I shall need no other help—I'm perfectly at home. You can look out for yourself."

"But I shall see you again—and where? I don't know your address; fact is, I'm even ignorant of your name," I pleaded desperately.

"How stupid of me." And she spoke fast and low, over her shoulder. "Tonight, then, at the Big Tent. Remember."

I pressed after.

"The Big Tent! Shall I inquire there? And for whom?"

"You'll not fail to see me. Everybody knows the Big Tent, everybody goes there. So au revoir."

We stopped with a jerk, amidst a babel of cries.

"Benton! All out!" Out we stumbled. Here I was, at rainbow's end.

CONTINUED NEXT WEEK
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EAST HUDSON.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Mayberry and family entertained to a pot luck dinner Sunday, it being the birthday anniversaries of Ira Mayberry, Mrs. Clayton Poland and Wayne Monroe. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Franklin and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Woodruff and daughter Loraine, Mr. and Mrs. Orr Hilliard, Mr. and Mrs. George Bruce and family, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Poland, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Burks and son, J. C. and Mr. and Mrs. Chris Monroe and son Wayne, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Horn and family visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Daum and son Chester Henry.

Mr. and Mrs. Millard Shasteen and family spent Wednesday evening of last week with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Watkins.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Patterson spent Saturday in Sullivan with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Foster and son Richard.

Mrs. Elmer Burks and son J. C. visited Monday in Sullivan with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Poland.

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Church Notes

ALLENVILLE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

While there has been no preaching services the last two Sundays yet the attendance at the bible school has been good. The regular services will be held next Sunday. You are invited.

THE GOSPEL MISSION

H. H. Smith, Supt.
9:30 a. m. Sunday school.
11:00 a. m. Morning worship.
6:30 p. m. Young people's service.
7:30 p. m. Evangelistic services.
Cottage prayer meeting on Tuesday evening, and at hall on Thursday evening.

We are expecting Rev. Ridgway to be with us for the Sunday evening service on next Sunday. We expected him last Sunday, but failed to reckon with the weather. These days remind us of the scripture: "Hold up my going in thy paths, that my foot steps slip not, Ps. 17-15". We have two thoughts brought out very clearly in this text, that of "straightforwardness" and "Divine Support". We have no claim on the second until we obey the first. No one has ever walked in the paths of the Lord without slipping, except he have that Divine support. David realized it, and that is why he cried out to God to hold him up. Satan is constantly soft-soaping or path way. Walk with God in paths that He has made and then you shall have that divine support. God never slipped.

BRETHREN ASSEMBLY

A. J. Burville, Pastor
Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Bible study and communion at 11 a. m. Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m. Subject, "Temptation or Testing." Opposition and oppression have always been favorable to national success. It was this that drove the fathers of the revolution to independence. Men come to the front in times of great struggles who would otherwise have spent their days in obscurity. The Civil war brought out Grant, and Lee, Sherman and Lincoln. Many a man stands out today as a flaming torch in consequence of trials and oppositions. These bring out the strongest qualities of the soul. They prove our real value. If a man has trials, it is because God sees something worth putting in a crucible. If you see others living in prosperity and luxury and ease, it is because they are

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not worth testing. God knows we are able to stand and He lets just the things come to us that we can endure to the glory of His name. Prayer meeting as usual on Tuesday night. Bible class on Friday night. It is a pleasure to go to some of the old folks in the city that cannot get to church. How they enjoy the old-time songs.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

D. A. MacLeod, Pastor
Life is filled with happy surprises. Sunday morning we felt that few people would venture out upon the icy streets, and yet a fine audience assembled both at Sunday school and morning service. Such a spirit manifested by many people last Sunday morning, would bring sunshine most anywhere, and so we all had a bit of 'heavenly sunshine' in our hour of worship. It was brightened up with special music by the men's quartet. Come again men we are always glad to have you.

It is good to know that behind the cloud the sun shines and over sun and cloud there is a Supreme Intelligence. This power is manifest in sun and shower, in dew drop and hoar frost, in snow-capped hills and icy ravines, but especially so in man crowned with nature's glory, and is made to feel his superiority over all of nature's forces, in utilizing, and overcoming, and standing upright with the Maker. We may walk over slippery places, and should be cautious, should always watch our step and seek to stand upon our feet.

Subject for next Sunday morning, "The Christian Ideal."
Evening subject, "The Sons of Anak."

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

C. D. Robertson, Pastor
Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Hugh Murray, superintendent.
A good place to be on Sunday morning, because there is good music, special features, good teachers, congenial classes and a warm welcome to a warm room.
Morning worship at 10:45 a. m. Sermon by the pastor. "The Gospel of Difficulty."

Epworth League devotional and study class at 6:30 a. m. Mr. Tice is conducting the class in the study of "The Advancing Church," and it is intensely interesting as well as very profitable.

Evening worship at 7:30 p. m. Special features, and a dramatized sermon from "Beside the Bonnie Briar Bush," "The Transformation of Lachlan Campbell." You will want to hear the story of the wayward girl and how her father was redeemed.

Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening at 7:30.

Next Sunday morning, there will be a meeting of the congregation at the close of the morning service for the purpose of discussing some phases of the plans for evangelistic activities which are to begin in February. Every member of the church is interested in this meeting.

The church where there are no strangers is always open to everyone.

WHITFIELD.

Twenty-four attended Sunday school last Sunday at Whitfield. Tim Edwards and wife visited with Paul Edwards and family Monday.

Miss Ruba Henderson is staying at the home of Tice Ervin, who is very ill.

Clyde Shaw and family visited with T. I. Leggett's Saturday night and Sunday.

Ray Bundy's are moving to a farm north of Sullivan.

Frank Myers, Paul Murray, and T. I. Leggett were business callers in Sullivan Friday.

Mrs. Paul Murray and Mrs. Eva Leggett spent Friday with Mrs. Myers and Miss Olive Hosney.

G. C. Garrett was a Windsor caller Monday.

COLES.

Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Martin and Mr. and Mrs. Omer Messmore and Hutch Davis and George Cralley spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Nate Hinton and family.

John Graham and Charles Henderson have the mumps.

Mr. and Mrs. Rhea Tilford and baby moved to Bethany Friday.

Quite a few from this vicinity were Mattoon callers Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gobel Tilford of Rouge Falls, Ky., are visiting his sister, Mrs. Earl Chaney.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Fleshner and family spent Thursday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Clay Davis and family.

William Charlton of New Mexico, who has been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Nate Hinton and family started for his home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Nate Hinton and Joe Hinton and William Charlton and Mr. and Mrs. Hutch Davis and family spent Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Omer Messmore.

Mr. and Mrs. Waverly Mathias and baby spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. George Mathias and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Graham spent Saturday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Daily and baby.

Mr. and Mrs. Alva Edwards spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bud Davis and daughter Fern.

Mr. and Mrs. Omer Messmore and Miss Fannie Hinton spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Esau Feller and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Fraker and family spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. James Bailey and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Scoby spent Saturday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Daniels and family.

The Wilbur family who have had the scarlet fever is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Waverly Mathias and baby and Miss Fern Davis and Richard Bouck spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Bud Ritter and baby.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Armantrout and family spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. James Sexton and family in Mattoon.

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(Obituary)

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His mother died when he was about two years of age. He came to Illinois with his father and step-mother in 1914 and lived in this vicinity the rest of his life. He was converted in the year of 1918 and was a member of the Church of God at Kirksville and lived a devoted Christian life.

He leaves to mourn his loss, his father, stepmother, five brothers and four sisters, Auburn, Joseph, Chester, Nobel and Virgil, Josephine, Ota Mae, Era and Rhoda Ann and his bride-to-be, Hattie Woods of Lawrenceburg, Tenn., who was here to attend the funeral; also a host of other relatives and friends. Two sisters, one brother and one half sister preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held Friday January 21 at the U. B. church at

Kirksville conducted by Rev. A. L. Childress of Sullivan. Burial was at the Hampton cemetery. Flower girls were Misses Marguerite Floyd, Viola Webb, Arvilla Wickiser, and Fern Scafus. Pall bearers were Homer and Ralph Jeffers, Othello and Ray Bruce, Willie Kirkwood and Guy Graham.

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We wish to thank all of those who so kindly helped us during the death of our dear son, brother and husband

to be. Also for the beautiful floral offerings.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. West, and Family.
Hattie Woods.

—Mrs. Roy Scott departed Monday for her home in Houston, Texas after spending a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. P. McCune. She came north to attend the funeral of her sister, Mrs. Pritchett who died last week in Springfield.

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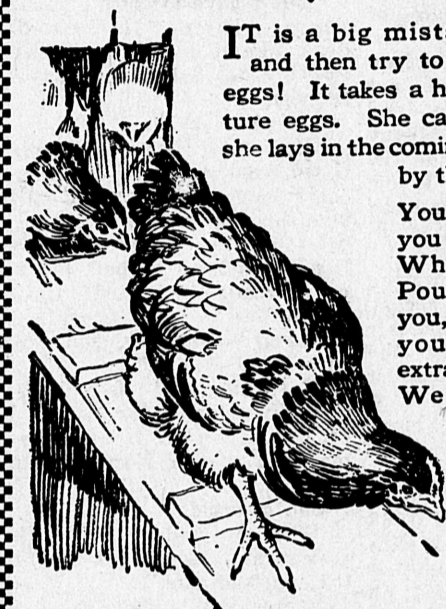
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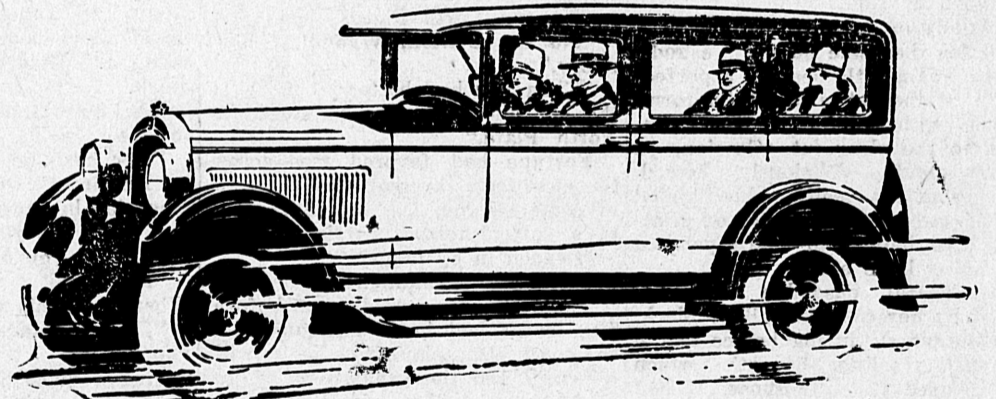
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THE CONDENSED balance sheet of the Illinois Central Telephone Company as of July 1, 1926, was as follows:

| ASSETS | | |
|----------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| Plant and Equipment | \$1,866,067.51 | |
| Less Depreciation Reserves..... | 441,876.21 | |
| | | \$1,424,191.30 |
| Cash and Deposits | \$ 33,018.81 | |
| Notes and Accounts Receivable... | 27,901.43 | |
| Material's and Supplies | 20,661.44 | |
| Other Current Assets | 19,698.61 | |
| | | 101,280.29 |
| Total Assets | | \$1,525,471.59 |
| LIABILITIES | | |
| Capital Stock—Common | \$ 174,000.00 | |
| Capital Stock Preferred | 324,925.00 | |
| | | 498,925.00 |
| Funded Debt | | 571,600.00 |
| Notes and Accounts Payable..... | \$ 82,518.56 | |
| Other Current Liabilities | 24,928.42 | |
| | | 107,446.98 |
| Total Liabilities | | \$1,177,971.98 |
| Corporate Surplus | | 347,499.61 |
| | | \$1,525,471.59 |

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| | REVENUES | |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|
| | First Half 1926 | Year 1926 |
| Exchange Service Revenues..... | \$125,118.88 | \$250,237.76 |
| Toll Service Revenues | 20,944.72 | 41,889.44 |
| Miscellaneous Operating Revenues... | 1,204.72 | 2,409.44 |
| Total Telephone Operating Revenues | \$147,268.32 | \$294,536.64 |
| EXPENSES & DEDUCTIONS FROM INCOME | | |
| Maintenance Expenses Less Depreciation | \$ 21,951.34 | \$ 43,902.68 |
| Traffic Expenses | 32,178.15 | 64,356.30 |
| Commercial Expenses | 12,637.06 | 25,274.12 |
| General & Miscellaneous Expenses... | 14,530.57 | 29,061.14 |
| Taxes and Other Deductions | 9,703.12 | 19,406.24 |
| Total Expenses & Deductions | \$ 91,000.24 | \$182,000.48 |
| Net Income | 56,268.08 | 112,536.16 |

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The General Finance Corporation for years has been the financial agent of the Illinois Central Telephone Company and the companies of which it is composed. The Corporation now offers for sale to the public in the communities in which the Company serves a limited amount of the Preferred Seven Per Cent Stock of the Illinois Central Telephone Company. These securities are priced at par to net you a full \$7.00 per year on each \$100.00 invested. Subscriptions will be received up to the close of business February 12, 1927, and are payable on or before April 15, 1927. In the event of oversubscription, the Corporation reserves the right to allot shares pro rata as closely to subscription as possible and still avoid fractional shares.

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Local News

—Mr. and Mrs. Orval Robey of Gays visited Friday with Dan Beals who is seriously ill.

—Mr. and Mrs. Orval Lane who have been visiting relatives in this vicinity for several weeks returned to their home in Beloit, Wisconsin, Thursday. They were accompanied on their return trip, made in their Dodge car, by Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hall, who expect to make Beloit their home.

—R. O. Ives, of St. Louis, formerly superintendent of the Sullivan grade schools pleasantly surprised the congregation at the revival meeting of the Christian church Friday night when he walked in to worship with them. He had been in Mattoon but managed to drive to Sullivan in time for the services, after which he departed for Decatur. Mr. Ives is in charge of the St. Louis agency of a firm that supplies church furniture and similar furnishings. He had traveled 1000 miles since leaving St. Louis Monday morning and called on twelve prospects.

—Amos Seright who last week fell and broke his leg, has been transferred from his room on the Southeast corner of the Square to the Gramblin home where he will be cared for until his broken limb heals.

—Orman Foster on Thursday accompanied Gladys Hamner, the 7-year old niece of Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Whitman to St. Louis where he put her on a train for her home in Blytheville, Ark. The little girl had spent some time here on a visit.

—Misses Marceia and Marjorie Bupp of Decatur spent the week end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Bupp.

—Mrs. Stella Ellis who has spent two months with relatives in Oklahoma and Kansas, expects to return to her home Tuesday, February 1st.

—Homer Pifer, student of the S. T. H. S. is unable to attend his classes on account of sickness.

—Miss Edith Preston of Allen-ville spent the week end with her sister, Mrs. T. J. Fowler.

—Mrs. Ed Abbott, fell on the ice on the South side of the square Friday afternoon. She was cut about the face and was taken to the office of a physician.

—A Progress dictionary will settle the argument; a real big Webster—79c.

—Mrs. T. B. Ewing will be hostess to the Sunshine club, Friday afternoon.

—Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wood entertained the following guests to dinner, at their home, Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Carmine, and Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Hopper.

—Mrs. William Snodgrass of Bradford, Ohio came Monday for a four day visit at the home of Dr. S. T. Butler, and other friends.

—Miss Mayme Alexander is on the sick list.

—Percy Martin of Mattoon made a business trip to this city, Friday.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Smith entertained the card club at their home, Tuesday night.

—Mrs. Elliott Billman was hostess to the Sew-a-Bit club, Thursday afternoon of this week.

—Mrs. Will Barton is spending this week with relatives in Springfield.

—Mr. and Mrs. Frank McPheeters entertained the members of the Senior Card club at their home Wednesday evening of this week.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hicks entertained twelve guests to a dinner party at their home, Tuesday evening.

—Mrs. Hettie Purvis will leave Saturday for St. Petersburg, Florida, where she expects to spend the remainder of the winter months.

—Mrs. C. J. Booze entertained the Twentieth Century club at her home Tuesday afternoon.

—Mrs. S. J. Johnson entertained the N. N. N. club, and several guests at her home on West Jackson street, Wednesday afternoon.

—Willard Clevenger has accepted a position with the Loveless and Elder meat market.

—Miss Dorotha David of Decatur spent the week end at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. David.

—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jenne spent Friday in Decatur.

—Homer Richardson of Mattoon was a caller in this city, Friday.

—The Epworth League social of the M. E. church which was postponed for a week took place at the church, Tuesday night. A mock wedding was one of the features of the evening's entertainment.

—Mrs. Etta Ray and daughter, Miss Louetta went to Charleston, Tuesday to see the former's little grandson, who was born January 20th. The new arrival is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Murray, and has been named Lowell Gene.

—Miss Gladys Moore, who is employed in the office of Dr. J. F. Lawson, is confined to her home, where she is ill with the "flu."

—Miss Emma Harshman, who is employed at the Dunscomb store, is enjoying a week's vacation.

—A son was born Friday to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ziese, former Sullivan residents, in a Decatur hospital.

—Miss Icel Hidden, who is employed at the Scallet store, Salem, spent a week's vacation with her sister, Mrs. Homer Doughty at Peoria. She was accompanied by her aunt, Mrs. Niles of this city. They returned to this place Saturday evening. Miss Icel returned to Salem Sunday.

—The Loyal Daughters will have their regular class party at the home of Mrs. Freda Horn, Monday night, January 31st.

—Miss Mae Newlin, who is employed with the Decatur Herald, came Saturday evening and visited with home folks until Monday morning.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Leeds and daughter Mary Elizabeth and Mr. and Mrs. Marion Arterburn were entertained to dinner at the home of Miss Ora Purvis, Sunday.

—Mrs. Alice Boyce has moved from the Howard Wood home to the Charles Moore home, where she is staying.

—Mrs. Freda Elder of Champaign spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Pifer.

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SURPRISE PARTY GIVEN FOR COUPLE IN GAYS

Friends and neighbors gave a surprise party for Mr. and Mrs. William Beldon and Mr. and Mrs. Dean Beldon, who have recently returned home from a visit in California. The affair was in the nature of a welcome and was held at the William Beldon home.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. William Beldon, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Beldon, Mr. and Mrs. W. Young, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Beldon, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Fort, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bjurstrom and family, Kenneth and Donald, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Coble and family, Harold, Juanita and Carleslie, Miss Gertrude Bjurstrom and J. E. Ellington and sons, Edgar and John.

BIRTHDAY AND ANIVERSARY DINNER AT BRUCE THURSDAY

On Thursday of last week a number of friends and relatives gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Sharp to help celebrate Mrs. Sharp's birthday and their second anniversary. All took well filled baskets and at the noon hour the table was heavily loaded with every thing good to eat. A large cake bearing the name Charlie and Leola married January 20th 1925 was placed on the center of the table.

All left at a late hour wishing Mr. and Mrs. Sharp many more such anniversaries. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Chester Ledbetter, Mr. and Mrs. Roe Sharp and sons Lewie and Lorraine and daughter Roberta, Mrs. Clara Scribner, Mrs. Sarah Niles, Mrs. Otto Kinsel, Mrs. Effie Niles, Mrs. Oliver Darst, John Sharp and Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Sharp.

GEORGE COGDAL FAMILY MOVES TO DIXON FARM

Mr. and Mrs. George Cogdal and family this week moved to the farm known as the Moses Dixon place, northeast of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Lire Dixon who had been farming there have moved to Arthur where Mr. Dixon will be employed by the Monroe Road machinery company. Mr. Cogdal will farm 120 acres. For quite a number of years the Cogdal family has resided in the north part of this city and he has been employed as section hand. Since last fall he has been working on farms.

Without economy none can be rich and with it few will be poor.—Johnson.

Miss Regina Fleshner Gives Report on Illinois State Fair School

The following report was read at the farmers institute and is a very interesting description of this important branch of state fair activities.

(By Regina Fleshner)

Each county of Illinois has a chance to send one representative, girl or woman, to the State Fair School of Domestic Science at Springfield. It is in session for two weeks during which time the State Fair is held. Some counties are not represented at all thereby giving other counties a chance to send more girls so that they may have a full school. Moultrie county sent 2 girls and it was my privilege to be one of them.

There were 115 accepted but only 106 came. Of these 106, fifty-two were from town and fifty-four were from the country. Twelve were married women and ninety-four were single.

Eighty-two of this group were either going to school, housewives or helpers at home and sixteen were teachers. Members of fifteen clubs were in attendance. The Household Science club was by far the best represented having twenty-six members. Ninety reported church memberships.

Each girl unless sent by a club pays her own expenses including \$12 tuition, car fare, and incidental expenses covering sight tours or shopping trips. We were located at the Woman's Building State Fair Grounds where we got our meals and room free.

In order that each girl might be kept busy and doing and learning something different every day we were divided into five groups or squads each commanded by an appointed captain. One squad would cook one day, the next day they would bake, the next wash dishes, next dining room service and last dormitory work. Our work was planned in advance by our instructor and captains. One squad would cook the meals each day for 118 of us—board members, teachers, pupils and help. We learned the values of foods, the importance of well planned menus and had practice in cooking plain and fancy foods. We baked all the bread, cakes, and cookies used at school. I cannot remember a single failure. Each girl had her work to do when dishwashing day came thus making the work light, fast and enjoyable. Much to the surprise of some dishwashers. The dining room squad set the table just before the meals, placed food on the tables, served faculty and student body and afterwards saw that the dining room was left in order. The group in the dormitory, after each girl had put her bed to air before going to breakfast, made the beds, emptied the wash bowls and straightened up the dormitory.

Each day from 9 to 11 and from 2 to 4 we had lectures or demonstrations. We were fortunate in having two of the doctors on the State Board of Examiners talk to us. Our lectures were given mostly by our instructors. Miss Dentler, the cooking teacher; Mrs. Giehl of the baking department, Mrs. Span, head of the dining room, Mrs. Shamel, nurse and Mrs. Mann, president of the Household Science Department.

During these lectures or demonstrations we were shown how to make hooked rugs, dress forms, common stitches and plain hand sewing as well as use of sewing machine and the attachments, how to do some hand painting, how to prepare plain and fancy salads, how to cook foods so as to preserve the color and food value, what good table manners and decorations are and Mrs. Shamel gave us a short and comprehensive home nursing course. Besides our domestic science work we learned to live agreeably as a big family in close quarters. Our teachers were the best. They were apt instructors, companionable, patient, and good leaders and managers. It was with many regrets that we said goodbye after our profitable and enjoyable two weeks together. Since that time I've been a booster for the State Fair School of Domestic Science.

—Regina Fleshner, Allenville, Ill.

FULLER'S POINT.

Mr. and Mrs. George Lawhorn and family were visitors of Rev. and Mrs. Leroy Blackburn Sunday.

Mrs. Ellison Hunt recently underwent an operation for appendicitis at Memorial hospital Mattoon.

Mrs. C. M. Phillips spent several days this week at Mattoon.

Mr. and Mrs. George Lawhorn and son Bobby spent Monday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lawhorn and family of Coles.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hall left last week to make their home in Beloit, Wisconsin.

W. W. Rightsell was a caller in Mattoon Tuesday.

John Cole left the first of the week for his home in St. Lawrence, N. D. after spending four months in this vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Nash are the proud parents of twin daughters, Margaret and Marjorie.

C. M. Phillips delivered hogs to Mattoon Wednesday.

PALMYRA.

Mr. and Mrs. Alva Edwards and Mr. and Mrs. Fratje Harpster were Saturday evening visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Edwards.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wilson were visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Leo Carmine Friday evening.

Mrs. Julia Humphrey has been visiting in the home of her son, John Black.

Mrs. Vira Niles and Miss Icel Hidden of Salem spent one night last week with Norman Hidden.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Edwards and daughters Rosa Mary and Pauline spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Bart Tull.

Mr. and Mrs. Ansel Howard and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Stokes and Mr. and Mrs. Leo Carmine and daughter spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Dolan.

Miss Mabel Henderson spent the week end with her parents.

Roscoe Lane entered High School Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lane spent Sunday with Andy Waggoner and family.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ford were Sullivan callers Saturday.

Charles and Ella Graven spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Graven and daughter Eileen.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy B. Martin spent Saturday in Sullivan.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray Shaw visited with Monroe Shaw Sunday.

Mrs. Mary Lane was a business visitor at Sullivan Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tim Edwards spent Monday.

Bart Tull will move to the Luther Waggoner property in Bruce and Harry Hudson will move where the Tulls vacate.

CUSHMAN.

Mrs. O. A. Foster spent Wednesday of last week in Lovington with Mrs. George Brown and family.

Zelma and Delbert Devore were Decatur shoppers last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bathe and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Foster spent last Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Valentine.

Martha, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Murphy has been quite sick the past few days.

Mrs. Clarence Miller was a Sullivan visitor Friday afternoon.

Walter Foster spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Foster.

Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Wood entertained Mr. and Mrs. Lafe Dixon and family to dinner Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kinsel are planning on moving back to their farm south of Cushman in the spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Lafe Dixon and family were honored with a farewell party given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Filson, Friday night.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. John Bathe and family, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Foster, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Gordy and family, Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. D. Thomas and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lafe Dixon, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Filson, Mrs. Charles Potter, Tommy Fonwell, Francis Murphy. Refreshments consisting of sandwiches, pickles and coffee were served.

Charles H. Hunt died Sunday in St. Louis.

Charles H. Hunt, a native of Sullivan who for many years has been living in St. Louis, died in a hospital in that city Sunday.

The Hunt family was very prominent here many years ago. The mother and one daughter died during a smallpox epidemic.

Charles H. Hunt held a responsible position in the traffic department of the Deleware Lackawanna and Western R. R.

He came to this city, yearly shortly before Decoration Day, to care for the graves of his parents.

He leaves his wife and one daughter, Mrs. George Richardson of Shelbyville, and one sister, Miss Susan Hunt of Indianapolis. Funeral services were held in St. Louis and the remains were brought to Shelbyville for interment Tuesday.

HENDRICKS HOUSE CATCHES FIRE WHEN LAMP EXPLODES

The farm home of Ed Hendricks, located east of Findlay, was a scene of a fire Sunday evening, caused by the explosion of a coal oil lamp. Mr. Hendricks was awakened by the smoke and called Findlay for help, then put the fire out by the time assistance reached him. The fire truck got stuck in the snow near the cemetery and the big tractor had to be used to get it back to town.

The upstairs of the Hendricks home was badly damaged by fire and smoke and the lower story by water. Mr. Hendricks carried insurance.—Findlay Enterprise.

PARTY AT FILSON HOME FRIDAY EVENING

A farewell party was held Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Filson for Mr. and Mrs. Lafe Dixon and family who will move to Decatur in the near future and for Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Gordy who expect to move from the Kingrey farm soon. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. John Bathe and family, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Foster, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Gordy and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harley Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Lafe Dixon and family, Francis Murphy, and Mrs. Charles Potter.

Stillness is called sentiment by those who are still in love. Every duty which we omit obscures some truth which we should have known.—Buskin.

SUSAN GLAZEBROOK DAWDY AND GREAT GRANDSON WERE BURIED AT CAMPFIELD

(Obituary)

Susan Marrow was born December 7, 1840 in Indiana. She died at the home of her granddaughter Mr. and Mrs. Lon Jones in Chadron, Nebr., January 14th at the age of 87 years. Death was caused by cancer.

The remains were shipped to this city to the Alva Courtright home, Mrs. Courtright being her niece. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the Courtright home. Rev. Ed Day of Lovington and Rev. Childress, pastor of the Sullivan Church of God were in charge of the services. Interment was in Campfield cemetery.

In her girlhood days as Susan Marrow she came to Illinois with her parents. In 1864 she was united in marriage with Columbus Glazebrook. To this union three children were born. The father and two children preceded her in death. One son, Albert Glazebrook of Caring, Ark., survives. She resided in and near Sullivan practically all of her life until the last two years which she spent at Chadron, Nebr.

She was a devoted Christian for 50 years of her life.

Billy Jones

The remains of Baby Billy Jones were also shipped here. He was born August 6, 1926 and died December 6, 1926 in a hospital at Hot Springs, South Dakota. The remains were shipped to Chadron and buried there. After the death of the great grandmother, Mrs. Dawdy, they were disinterred and brought to Sullivan. Mr. Jones and a grandson accompanied the remains.

The funeral ceremony was a double one and Mrs. Dawdy and little Billy now rest side by side in Campfield Cemetery.

MISS MARTHA PURVIS' ESTATE TO BE DIVIDED AMONG MANY HEIRS

The will of the late Miss Martha Purvis, who died several weeks ago has been filed for probate by the administrators of same, Ora G. E. Purvis and S. H. Oliver. It has been found to be the last will and testament of the deceased and admitted to probate.

Fifty-one heirs are named in the petition accompanying the instrument. Col. J. E. Jennings has been named guardian ad litem for the minor heirs.

The will was made October 24th, 1923 and witnessed by C. R. Hill and Chester Horn.

It provides for the payment of all debts and claims and the erection of a suitable marker at her grave.

The household goods and personal effects she leaves to her sisters Dulcena and Fanny.

The administrators are instructed to turn all other personal property and real estate, with an exception of a third interest in the home property here in Sullivan, into cash and the proceeds are to be divided as follows:

- One share to the heirs of her deceased sister Sarah Purvis Kercheval.
- One share to the heirs of her deceased sister Elizabeth Purvis Oliver.
- One share to the heirs of her deceased brother, James H. Purvis.
- One share to the heirs of her deceased brother, Samuel H. Purvis.
- One share to the heirs of her deceased brother, John D. Purvis.
- One share to the heirs of her deceased sister Dora J. Purvis McCarty.
- One share to the heirs of her deceased sister Susan Purvis Drew.
- One share to her sister Fanny R. Purvis.

—Ray Warren and daughter Miss Thelma of Tuscola came Saturday and visited until Monday with his mother, Mrs. G. C. Hogue. Mrs. Hogue went to Tuscola with them Monday and spent the day there, returning Monday evening.

SCOTCH

"Never borrow money from that man, he is a Shylock. In winter he takes 50 per cent, and in summer sixty?"

"But why does he take more in the summer?"

"Because the days are longer."

RUPTURE SHIELD EXPERT HERE

E. J. Meinhardt, of Chicago, the well-known expert will personally be at the Byers Hotel, Mattoon, Ill., on Wednesday, Feb. 2nd from 9:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m. and on Thursday, Feb. 3rd from 9:00 a. m. to 12:00 Noon. Mr. Meinhardt says:

"The Vacuum Shield" will not only retain the rupture perfectly, but contracts the opening in 10 days on the average case—usually giving instantaneous relief withstanding all strain regardless of the size or location of the Rupture.

CAUTION—Do not expose yourself to the danger of wearing old-style trusses with understraps. These trusses usually place the pad on the lump and not on the rupture opening. This often causes strangulation which usually necessitates an immediate surgical operation or results in sudden death.

"The Vacuum Shield" has no understraps. It is also perfectly sanitary and practically indestructible and should be worn while bathing.

Only gentlemen are invited to call at this time as a special visit will be made here later for women and children.

NOTICE: Please do not write asking to be fitted by mail as this is impossible. I send out no literature as every case must be seen personally; therefore, I visit this section every year—giving demonstration without charge, or will be pleased to fit you if desired. Please note the above dates and hours carefully and always insist on seeing me personally.—E. J. MEINHARDT, HOME OFFICE, 1551 N. CRAWFORD AVE., CHICAGO.

P. S. FRAUD WARNING: Beware of imposters who imitate my notices and claim to represent me. I have no representatives and send out no literature.

MERRITT DISTRICT

Mrs. James Landers and son J. E. Landers spent Friday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kirk.

Mrs. Herman Ray visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Warren Wednesday and Thursday.

Herbert White shelled corn Friday. Mrs. Anna Ray has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ray the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Lewis and daughter spent Friday in Lovington. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Durr and daughter spent Wednesday afternoon in Arthur.

Mr. and Mrs. Lando Ray are moving from the farm of Mrs. Anna Ray. They are moving to Arkansas.

Lafe Dixon and family are going to move this week to Arthur, where Mr. Dixon is going to work as book-keeper for Monroe's shop.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Davis spent Wednesday in Arthur.

Rolla Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Ray, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Davis and Miss Vivian Lewis helped Mr. and Mrs. Ross Thomas with their butchering Monday.

IF YOU'RE GOOD AT FIGURING TRY THIS ONE

A man deposited \$50 in a bank. His withdrawals and balances were as follows:

| Withdraw | Balance |
|----------|---------|
| \$20 | \$30 |
| 15 | 15 |
| 9 | 6 |
| 6 | 0 |
| \$50 | \$51 |

Check the figures over and dope out where that extra dollar comes from. He deposited \$50 and withdrew \$50 but the figures show that he still retained a dollar balance. You figure this. We don't know the answer.

CARD OF THANKS

We desire to thank all friends and relatives for their kindness and sympathy during the illness and death of our beloved father Andrew J. Little.

Respectfully,
Mrs. Edna Munch
Mrs. Olive Butcher,
Guy S. Little.

A two weeks' vacation goes about as quickly as the day to pay the monthly rent comes around.

ILLINOIS THEATRE

Sullivan, Illinois

Jan. 20—Jan. 28 Inc.

THURSDAY & FRIDAY
7:00 p. m.
"NORTH STAR"
"Adventures of Mazie"
Admission 10c and 25c

SATURDAY
Matinee 2:15
Evening 6:15
"WEST OF BROADWAY"
"High Ceer"
"FELIX, THE CAT"
Admission 15c and 25c

SUNDAY & MONDAY
7:00 p. m.
"The Vanishing American"
"Batchelor Babies"
"KINOGRAMS"
Admission 15c and 30c

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY
7:00 p. m.
Buck Jones in
"THE FIGHTING BUCKAROO"
"My Swedie"
Admission 10c and 25c

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY
Night 7:00
"PLAYTHINGS OF DESIRE"
Adventures of Mazie
Admission 10 and 25

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