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Shadow of Tragedy Mars Happiness of Christmas

Eight Dead, Nine Seriously Hurt in Holiday Accidents

Southern Fireworks Custom Takes Heavy Toll

HAZARD, Ky., Dec. 24 (AP)—The old custom, prevalent in the south, of celebrating Christmas as well as the Fourth of July with fireworks, cost the lives of four children here yesterday when a firecracker, tossed in fun, landed in a can of blasting powder.

The dead, children of Cornelius Stacy, who lives on Troublesome creek 10 miles from here, are: Taylor, 3 years old; Sally, 5 years old; Richmond, 7 years old, and Polly, 14 years old.

The firecracker landed in a can of powder used for "shooting" coal. There was a terrific explosion followed by fire. A daughter, Frankie Stacy, 17 years old, may lose her life as a result of heroic efforts to save the smaller youngsters. With the flames raging about her, she passed a year-old baby out the window before she would leave the blazing house. Doctors say she has a chance to live.

The mother also was burned trying to save her children.

Fireworks Kills Four Children

CARTERSVILLE, Ga., Dec. 24 (AP)—Death today claimed four children who were earning Christmas money as temporary clerks in a fireworks store, when a Roman candle, lighted by a customer caused an explosion which enveloped the building in flames.

The charred bodies of William Shaw, 12 years old, and Frances Shaw, 15 years old, children of the proprietor, and Mary Bell Dodd, 16 years old, were brought out of the blazing building by firemen.

Mary Kennedy, 18 years old, was burned so badly that she died in a hospital late tonight.

Hugh Padgett, 11 years old, was severely burned, and his father, Paul Padgett, was badly cut about the face in an attempt to escape through a show window.

J. R. Shellhorse, jr., 17 years old, smashed into the burning building and attempted to carry the Dodd girl outside, but crazed by the sudden blast of heat, she fought him off and rushed back into the flames.

C. Davis Shaw, proprietor, told police that a man whom he did not know entered and snatched a large Roman candle from a counter.

Before anyone could stop him, Shaw said, the man lighted the fuse and began firing the hot balls of flame about the store. Other fireworks were ignited and while the man with the Roman candle was being taken outside, the swift staccato explosions of the smaller crackers were followed swiftly by the deeper intonations of the larger ones.

Baby Swallows Toy; May Cause Death

CINCINNATI, Dec. 24 (AP)—Still hovering between life and death, Frank rooks, 18 months old Asco. W. Va., babe, lay in a hospital here tonight with a toy wedged in his throat, too weak to permit an operation for its removal.

The child swallowed a toy motorcycle which came in a package of popcorn a week ago last Saturday but it wedged in his throat. Since that time he had had little trouble in breathing but is unable to take nourishment except small amounts through a tube.

Series of Tragedies Hits Milwaukee Family

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 24 (AP)—A gloomy Christmas was in prospect for the members of a family here, as the result of a series of tragedies. Overcome by coal gas, Albert Kuhn, 11 years old, and his sister, Shirley, 5 years old, were found unconscious in their home Sunday night. Authorities said tonight they will recover.

Their mother, Mrs. Irma Kuhn, 34 years old, was stricken in the same manner early Monday. Rescuers rushed her to a hospital. She will recover.

Walter Kuhn, the husband and father, entered the house of correction Dec. 12 to begin a two year term for manslaughter. Kuhn's car struck and killed a woman.

Alfred Banofske, 53 years old, father of Mrs. Kuhn, was found hanging in his room Dec. 17.

Pussyfoot Johnson Back on War Path

SHANGHAI, Dec. 24 (AP)—William (Pussyfoot) Johnson arrived aboard the President Wilson from San Francisco today en route to India for a month's tour there in the interests of the World League Against Alcoholism. En route he will make a fortnight's stop at the Philippines in an attempt to enlist the islands leagues' membership.

"I've blood in my eye," he said, "the Philippines must be lined up for the world temperance movement. The island wets had better hunt cover. I mean business."

He said that Japan was rapidly going prohibition and forecast that the empire would be dry in 15 years. China at present is too befuddled to allow a forecast, he added, at the same time expressing confidence that the nation ultimately would follow "the world trend toward prohibition."

Hoover Spends Quiet Christmas Aboard Battleship

Expresses Satisfaction With Good Will Tour

U. S. S. UTAH, Dec. 24 (AP)—A quiet Christmas eve was celebrated tonight by Herbert Hoover on his homeward journey through tropical seas on board the battleship Utah whose radio all day brought season's greetings from relatives and friends in the United States.

Although the president-elect and Mrs. Hoover during their life have celebrated the Yuletide in many foreign lands and once at sea en route to China, an unique experience is in store for them tomorrow—Christmas day on a United States battleship steaming across the equator.

Homeward bound, after an enthusiastic reception at Rio de Janeiro which climaxed his Latin-American goodwill tour, the president-elect felt much gratified over the results of the tour. He is especially pleased over the fact that all appraisals and analyses of his trip which have come to him characterized his visit to the Central and South American countries as a real and pronounced accomplishment toward goodwill and understanding and closer friendship in the relations of the Latin-American republics and the United States.

Members of the Hoover party pointed out that Hoover had brought a Christmas gift of "peace and good will" to the western hemisphere and that his tour was one of the most extensive efforts of history in applying the principle of friendly personal contact between chief executives of nations. Besides Christmas greetings the radio today brought Hoover many felicitations from South American countries on his good will trip.

A torrid sun and clear skies was the Christmas eve weather as the battleship steamed toward the equator about 100 miles off the Brazilian coast.

A strong breeze prevailed which alleviated the tropical heat and Mr. and Mrs. Hoover and other members of their party rested comfortably on the quarterdeck.

THE WEATHER

IOWA: Mostly fair Tuesday; Wednesday increasing cloudiness becoming unsettled; no decided change in temperature.

Fair

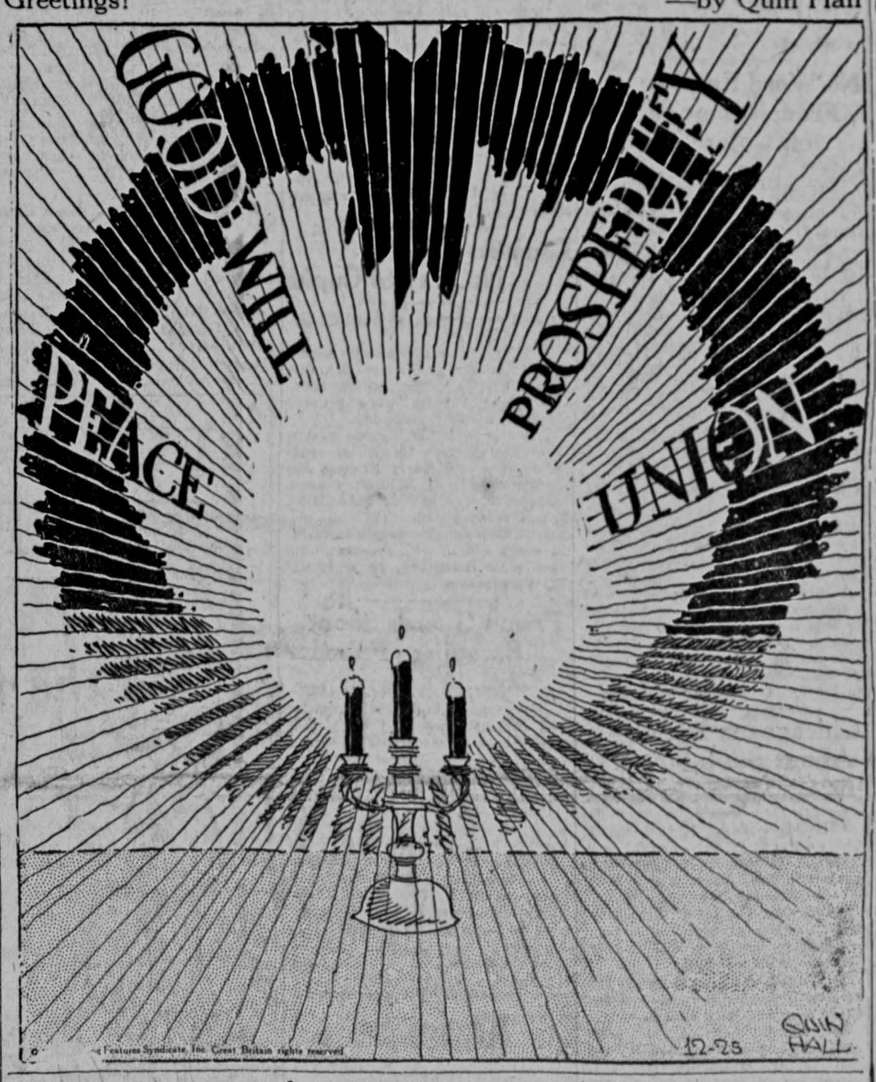
Lowest temperature Sunday night, 14; temperature at 7 a.m. yesterday, 17; highest temperature yesterday, 39; temperature at 7 p.m. yesterday, 30. Unofficial reading at midnight, 30.

Readings made by Prof. John F. Reilly, official weather observer.

Precipitation for 24 hours ending at 7 p.m. yesterday 0.00.

Sunrise today, 7:32 a.m.; sunset today, 4:40 p.m.; moonrise today, 3:32 p.m.; moonset today, 6:16 a.m.

Greetings! —by Quin Hall



Bolivia Holds Up Arbitration Work

Delays Reply to Query of Conference Committee

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP)—Conciliation of the Bolivian-Paraguayan dispute by the Pan-American conference on arbitration and conciliation remained at a standstill today because Bolivia had not yet replied to a questionnaire addressed it last Wednesday by a special committee of the parley.

Only receipt of this word from La Paz was awaited to launch the conciliation effort by the committee. Paraguay's reply, favorable to conciliation, arrived late last night.

Dr. Victor Maurtua of Peru, chairman of the special committee, said that he would convene t Christmas day if necessary.

Bolivia's delay in replying was puzzling delegates to the conference. Fears had been entertained yesterday and Saturday that the silence from La Paz might indicate complications in the conciliation proceedings. They were dispelled today, however, when it was indicated that some of the delegates had received advices from their governments that the Bolivian reply would be favorable and would be soon forthcoming.

The questionnaire asked both Bolivia and Paraguay to give definitions of the points at issue between them and to indicate how they would prefer to have the conciliation tribunal constituted.

Utilizing the lull in the Bolivian-Paraguayan conciliation proceedings, a subcommittee on arbitration treaties met today to reconcile different viewpoints among the delegates over the scope of the pact which it is proposed to conclude here.

Mexican Seriously Burned

FT. DODGE, Dec. 24 (AP)—Max Tas, 22 years old, a Mexican, was near death tonight from burns received early today when the bunk car in which he was sleeping burned. Police were investigating a report that a man threw gasoline into the car, which was standing in a Ft. Dodge, Des Moines & Southern railroad track.

Airplane Romeo Flies Eastward Without 'Ruthie'

SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 24 (AP)—D. O. Meeker, who pursued Miss Ruth McConnell, New York musician from Omaha to San Francisco in an airplane last week and then returned with her to Ogden, Utah, yesterday on a train, took off in an airplane here this afternoon with Francis Bowhan, Omaha aviator.

Meeker avoided newspaper men at the Salt Lake airport.

Neither Miss McConnell nor her mother, whom she told newspaper men at Ogden yesterday she had come east to meet, was in evidence and their whereabouts were unknown.

When Bowhan arrived at the airport from Reno, Nev., this afternoon he declared he was "in the dark" and that the "boss might order me to fly to China for all I know."

"That guy's got more mystery in him than a bowl of chop suey," declared Bowhan. "He hasn't told me what this is all about. As far as I'm concerned, I'm here but I don't know why. I'm under orders to hear nothing, see nothing, and say nothing."

Escape of Holdup Man Blocked by Shopping Crowds

DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 24 (AP) — Dense Christmas shopping crowds prevented the escape of a man after he had robbed the W. T. Grant chain department store of $5,000 here late today.

The robber walked into the store carrying a pistol and what appeared to be a handful of dynamite. Climbing to the mezzanine floor he forced four women who were counting cash to crawl underneath desks and give him the money which he jammed into a suit case.

He fled down the stairs, brandishing his pistol but the crowd was too big for him. He was surrounded, disarmed and turned over to the police.

The bundle with which he frightened the office force by threatening to hurl lit to the floor and blow up the building, proved to be sticks of soap wrapped in cotton.

Christmas Brings Hope to George V

Physicians Say Slow Recovery of King Continues

LONDON, Dec. 24 (AP)—Christmas eve brought to King George of England new hope for his recovery and the blessings of a united family.

The physicians attending his majesty reported tonight that slow improvement in both general and local conditions of his illness was continuing. At the same time it became known that on three occasions the doctors considered him to be at the very gates of death.

England's Christmas joy is thus much greater in the assurance that the loved sovereign has come safely through the darkest part of the valley and for a week has been climbing steadily although slowly to higher ground. The brief bulletin issued at 8:30 p.m. tonight at Buckingham palace said, "The very slow progress in his majesty's local and general condition continues. No bulletin will be issued until Tuesday evening."

This will be the second time, the other was last Sunday, in about six weeks that the royal physicians have had such confidence in the progress of their patient's condition that they have believed one bulletin in 24 hours sufficient.

The sick king and his queen tonight had gathered around them a complete family circle, some members of which came from the ends of the earth for love of their father. The Duke of Gloucester, the last to arrive, reached the palace today after weks of travel from Southern Africa. The Prince of Wales, who had made a quicker homeward journey, displayed his lively spirits by hunting today with the Quorn hounds at Malton Mowbray.

Judge Pardons 41

OMAHA, Dec. 24 (AP)—Christmas presents in the form of pardons for 41 persons under conviction for various infractions of the liquor laws were announced here today by Federal Judge J. W. Woodrough. Judge Woodrough by his pardon order refused to remand to jail the 41, all of whom he had previously paroled after their sentences were partially served.

Government Halts While Capital City Celebrates Recess

Coolidges Deck White House for Season's Festivities

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP) — Over a nation at peace with the world the Christmas spirit settled down tonight to be hailed nowhere more joyously than in its capital.

The vast machinery of the government was at rest and its chief executive and first lady joined with the rest of America's millions in preparations for the morrow which throughout the Christian world signified peace, good will to man.

The thoroughfares in the business district, like the main streets from coast to coast, were thronged with last minute shoppers, including Mrs. Coolidge, who for a short while today rubbed elbows scarcely noticed with the bundle laden crowds.

The shopping throngs were increased by thousands of government workers who had been given the day off by a special order from President Coolidge.

Coolidge Lights Tree

As dusk settled down and youngsters became restless for the arrival of Santa Claus, the lights began to twinkle on Christmas trees here and there in the city—the largest tree being the one in the spacious parkway near the white house, the lighting of which was turned over to President Coolidge.

The white house itself was bedecked for the Christmas season. It looked as if Mr. and Mrs. Coolidge, who leave the white house March 4, had put an added touch to the decoration even though they will spend but a short part of the Christmas holiday at the executive mansion. They have arranged to leave the city tomorrow for a visit to Sapelo island off the Georgia coast.

Many Officials Leave

While it is not certain whether the president and Mrs. Coolidge will return in time for the customary New Year's reception, many in official life who usually are present at the ceremony have left Washington. Included in the group who have returned to their homes to spend Christmas are a number of cabinet officers and many congressmen.

On the capital's Christmas eve program two events held the center of attention—the lighting of the community Christmas tree by the president and the traditional singing of old Christmas carols on the north lawn of the white house by the choir of the president's church.

For the former, a program of Christmas music had been arranged with the marine band playing a number of selections, and choral music by the National Capital Oratorio association. A boy and a girl scout had been delegated to convey the Christmas greetings of the city to Mr. and Mrs. Coolidge.

President Leaves Today

Tomorrow, the presidential party is scheduled to leave by special train for Sapelo Island some time after noon.

Frank O. Salisbury, a British artist, will accompany the party. He has been commissioned by the New York Geneological and Biographical society to paint a portrait of the president to be hung in the organization's new home in New York city. Salisbury recently did a portrait of King George of England. The president will sit for the British painter during his stay in Georgia.

The party expects to reach Brunswick, Ga., Wednesday morning, where Mr. and Mrs. Coolidge will be met by their host, Howard E. Coffin. From there they will go by automobile and boat to Sapelo Island.

Omaha Officials to Attend Funeral of 12-Year-Old Hero

OMAHA, Dec. 24 (AP)—Official Omaha will be represented at the funeral Wednesday of Charles Robbins, 11 years old, fire hero of last winter, who with John Burghardt, 12 years old, died yesterday as the result of a coasting accident.

The board of education and school officials will send a delegation, as will the police and fire departments and the city council.

Charles and his brother, Melvin, braved death last February in rescuing their invalid mother from their flaming home. Melvin died from burns received in the rescue.

F. P. Keegan, cemetery superintendent and driver of the automobile that crashed into a coaster wagon on which the Robbins and Burghardt boys were riding last Friday, was exonerated by a coroner's jury.

No Iowan Tomorrow

Following the annual custom, there will be no issue of The Daily Iowan tomorrow. This is done in order to allow employees to spend Christmas night with their families.

Hammill Probably Will Delay Naming Director of Budget

DES MOINES, Dec. 24 (AP)—Indications today were that Governor Hammill would not appoint a budget director to succeed the late E. L. Hogue of Blencoe until after the legislature convenes, Jan. 14. The appointee must be approved by the senate, and for that reason the governor will take more time to consider the qualifications of men recommended.

The governor has taken over the work of completing the budget report which was nearly finished when Hogue died. He will be occupied with this task and that of drafting his biennial message during the remainder of the year.

There have been suggested for the budget post representative, W. E. G. Saunders of Emmetsburgh; former Senator Perry C. Holdoegel of Rockwell City; C. Fred Porter, deputy auditor of state; Willis L. Stern of Logan; Representative C. G. Oliver of Onawa; former auditors of state, J. C. McClune of Oskaloosa, and Glenn Haynes. There is a possibility, however, that Governor Hammill may select a budget director independent of any suggestions made by friends of candidates.

Robert Hunter of Sioux City and Sen. B. M. Stoddard of Sloan have been mentioned for the post.

Husband of Illinois Slayer Will Tell to Grand Jurymen

CANTON, O., Dec. 24 (AP)—The Stark county grand jury will hear the story of Wilbur O. Heldman, Lorain furnace salesman, that his 21-year-old wife committed suicide after admitting that she shot and killed Vernard E. Fearn, 35 years old, Canton coal dealer.

Announcement that Heldman would be held to the grand jury was made today after Henry W. Harter, jr., Stark county prosecutor, and Ora Slater, Cincinnati detective in charge of the investigation, had questioned him for nine hours.

Harter and Slater did not comment on the results of their own investigation, prompted by certain discrepancies in Heldman's story and announced only that they would turn the matter over to the jury for whatever action that body deemed justified.

Boy Singing Carols Struck by Auto; Gets Slight Injuries

Billy Rienow, 10-year-old son of Dean Robert E. Rienow, 1003 Woodlawn, narrowly escaped serious injury last night when he was run over by a car driven by Joe Balluff, 610 S. Madison street. He escaped with minor bruises and a slightly injured knee.

The boy, in company with 20 other children about his own age, comprising the junior choir of the Episcopal church, were singing Christmas carols in hospitals and other places about the city.

They were crossing Washington street at Dubuque street when the accident occurred.

No Money, No Bed; Man Sleeps in Jail

Night Police Chief Garrett Byrne was Santa Claus last night to a transient who came to the police station and asked for a place to sleep.

The stranger told Officer Byrne that unless he was given a place in the jail, he would have to spend the night before Christmas on one of the park benches.

The officer was accomodating, however, and unlocked one of the private rooms in the city jail for the visitor, who appeared happy at being able to spend Christmas eve in such a quiet place.

No bath was included with the rooms, the officers said.

Christmas Cheer Gladdens Tots at Iowa City Parties

Bremer, Civic Clubs Present Gifts to Youngsters

The Christmas spirit reigned in Iowa City last night.

Starting several days ago, it gained power and scope until the entire city was breathing its share of the cheery atmosphere when Christmas eve actually arrived.

The weatherman failed to come through with his traditional blanket of snow; but what did Iowa City care for that? The mercury hovered just above the freezing mark and a wealth of Christmas decorations made up for the weatherman's delinquency.

Children were perhaps the center of Christmas attention yesterday, for early in the morning many of them started gathering on Dubuque and Washington streets to share in the Christmas celebration at Bremer's store.

Line Up Three Abreast

At 9 a.m. a line three abreast stretched from the Bremer store to Dubuque street and Iowa avenue. They pushed and jostled, joked, laughed, and made merry, while awaiting their chance to enter the store and receive a gift right out of Santa Claus' hand.

Another Christmas party for Iowa City youngsters was held by the local Moose lodge last night from their tree in front of the Moose home on S. Clinton street. Nearly 2,000 children were given fruit and candy by Santa Claus, who then rushed on to another of the many places he was expected.

Nurses in the school of nursing were doing their part in spreading Christmas cheer to patients in the hospitals. Carrying candles and singing Christmas carols, the nurses marched through the corridors of the university hospitals last night, stopping in several of the wards to sing special numbers.

Many Patients Isolated

They spent several minutes singing to the patients in the isolation section of the general hospital. Many of the patients there will be unable to see their families today and must remain in bed all day.

Santa Claus was joined by his wife at the general hospital last night, and the jolly couple went to the children's hospital where they made merry with those who will have no Christmas in homes of their own.

Mr. and Mrs. Santa also made a tour of the general hospital, drawing smiles from sad little faces, as they rang bells and told jokes.

Sixty little tots were entertained by the Lions club at their weekly luncheon at the Red Ball inn yesterday noon. Gifts were distributed, carols were sung, and a short program given.

Poor Children Get Gifts

And Santa did not forget poor children in Iowa City either! Through the aid of the Social service league, which has been collecting toys, food, clothing, and shoes for several weeks, the good old saint made many of the less fortunate Iowa City homes happy last night. A supervised distribution of food and clothing was made among families known to be deserving.

Boy Scouts did not forget to do their share. Early this fall the boys were working hard in the manual training shops at the Iowa City high school, under the direction of C. R. Cannon, refinishing used toys, making new ones, and repairing those which had been damaged.

A large collection of playthings of all descriptions was made, and distribution made through the social service league.

Trinity Choir Sings

The junior choir of the Trinity church was also at work spreading cheer to the less fortunate last night. Composed of 20 children, the choir sang carols in local hospitals and also in Cedar Rapids.

Many individuals were also doing their part in making a Christmas for those unable to have one otherwise. Food clothing, and shoes made up the bulk of many baskets sent to poor homes.

Christmas programs in many of the churches also occupied the attention of hundreds of children and parents.

Plane Held Ready by Coolidge's Host

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP) — Howard E. Coffin, who will be host to President and Mrs. Coolidge on Sapelo Island off the coast of Georgia, has arranged to have an airplane available to transport mail to and from the mainland if it is needed.

Churches, Civic Groups Scatter Christmas Cheer

Charity Organizations, Individuals Provide for Sick, Needy

Churches, civic clubs and the home provides the settings for the major activity on the part of Iowa people Christmas day. This is indicated by reports of public entertainment planned in various Iowa ities compiled by The Associated Press through its member newspapers.

The Salvation Army, various charitable organiations and the churches and civic clubs in almost every city plan to distribute Christmas cheer to needy families in their towns. In many instances, local newspapers have sponsored movements to furnish happiness to less fortunate persons who lack the means of providing a cheerful Yuletide for their children themselves.

Charities Active

While public organizations are taking care of the patrons whose likely to be devoid of Christmas cheer, generous individuals in various cities will take it upon themselves to gladden persons who may be without a home in which to enjoy Yuletide cheer.

Two instances of this type were found at Des Moines. James M. McNamara on Christmas eve walked along the streets in the capital city's lop district and handed a silver dollar and a word of cheer to every newsboy he saw. McNamara was provided with 400 of the metal pieces of money when he started out. He has followed the practice for 30 years.

William Walker, public safety commissioner, also followed his yearly custom of inviting persons who have no home in which to eat Christmas dinner to enjoy a meal at his expense. He contracted for the entire day's business of a Des Moines restaurant and all persons who ate there were privileged to "charge" their food to Walker.

Boone Clubs Entertain

At Boone, 60 girls who might otherwise not have been feted during Christmas week, were entertained and "gifted" by the Lions club. This afternoon the Rotary and Elks club unite in giving a free moving picture show at Boone theaters, together with presents and treats. A Santa Claus was detailed to distribute the gifts at each theater.

In the Boone churches, special services were the rule and the Sunday schools all gave their customary programs. The Salvation Army distributed baskets of food to needy families.

For the most part, Christmas was "home fireside" day at Clinton. Public observance of the day was negligible. Public exercises had been held in most of the churches and Sunday schools during the pre-holiday celebrations. In the schools, programs were curtailed by a prevalence of winter colds, grippe and influenza.

Chorus to Give "Messiah"

Presentation of "The Messiah" by the Webster county Lutheran Choral union, an organization of 125 singers from various parts of the county, features the Christmas season at Ft. Dodge. The program is to be given Friday evening. The singers will be accompanied by an orchestra, and the presentation will be directed by Andrew Moe.

As is customary, Christmas boxes were available for needy families through "Good Fellows" organization, money for whom was raised at Christmas musical programs last Sunday in various Ft. Dodge churches. Service clubs of the city have arranged dinner dances and several other social functions are booked.

Kiddies Get Presents

Treats for the children and the usual Christmas programs were the rule in churches in Webster City last night. Public Chistmas activities were limited to the Kiddies Santa Claus club, an organization sponsored by a local newspaper, and which is now in its tenth year. The club gives poor children a merry Christmas, by stressing in each basket given to unfortunate families a toy, candy, fruit, books, etc., especially for the children.

Devout services in the churches are the principal feature of the Christmas season at Cherokee. Besides the usual observance of the day in the home, the Associated Charities will distribute gifts and food to poor families. At Cherokee state hospital, functions commensurate with Christmas have been going on throughout the week.

Iowa City was rather dull. The students had almost all gone to their homes for the holidays. The two practices a day outlined for the basketball squad kept the cagers in the city over the vacation period but some 6,000 other University of Iowa students were far afield, thoughts of school least upermost in their minds.

Aviatrix to Bomb Friends With Gifts

SIOUX CITY, Dec. 24 (AP)—Christmas gifts will come out of the sky to 25 persons here tomorrow morning.

Piloting her husband's airplane, Mrs. Arthur S. Hanford, Jr., Sioux City's only aviatrix, plans to drop presents from the plane in the front yards of her friends. She expects to have no difficulty, as she will attach a long streamer to each package.

Italians Pay Tribute to War-Time Marshal

ROME, Dec. 24 (AP)—The body of Count Marshal Cadorna, Italian wartime commander, today started toward its final resting place at Pallanda, all along the route groups of men who had served under him paying their homage.

Christmas Fire Hazards

CHRISTMAS and its joys should not be allowed to blind men to the ordinary rules of safety for the protection of the home and the lives of the family. And yet at holiday time parents who try to keep their children free from even the possibility of danger will install in the heart of their homes, where it is sure to be the center of attraction for the little ones, the most inflammable thing that ever enters it—the ordinary evergreen Christmas tree. While it grows more dry and dangerous in the warm rooms they drape it with cotton for snow, tissue paper loops and tinsel for decorations, stick candles all over it, hang up toys that every child will grab for, and then trust to luck and providence for safety from a hazard that may prove as dangerous and as deadly as a rattlesnake or an open keg of gunpowder. Just to play fair and take his share of the chances *pater familias* often surrounds himself with pillows, puts on cotton hair and whiskers and makes himself more of a menace than a help in case a fire should start.

And fires do start, thousands of them every holiday season. Firemen look forward to a run on Christmas tree fires just as they did to Fourth of July fires before the Sane Fourth movement put an end to them in many places. Why not a Sane Christmas as well as a Sane Fourth? Why should the children's festival be made the means of destroying hundreds of lives and thousands of homes? Use little electric lights instead of candles, asbestos instead of cotton, noncombustible decorations instead of inflammables, and then watch the tree with the utmost care, especially when the children are around it. It's better to be safe than sorry, especially with the little ones at Christmas time.

Family of Queen Stays at Palace During Holidays

Usual Holiday Exodus Begins With King's Improvement

LONDON, Dec. 24 (AP)—Christmas was preceded in London today by a threat of rain, instead of the traditional frost, and for the first time in ten years, the royal standard flew over Buckingham palace instead of Sandringham, the royal family's favorite home for the Yuletide holidays. Otherwise the season was normal, with railway terminals jammed by Londoners headed for the country and country folk headed for London.

There were no regrets among the members of the royal household that they were not going to the country this year, as happiness over the favorable turn in the king's illness obliterated all other considerations. To Queen Mary and her family, every member of which now is with her, the day will be one of thanksgiving rather than festivity.

Palace Celebration Quiet

Although the celebration in Buckingham palace will be quiet, the royal grandchildren—Princess Elizabeth, Honorable George Lascelles and his brother Gerald—were expected to bring much merriment into the family gathering. A big stack of wooly bears, dolls, toys and games, together with useful presents made by Queen Mary, awaited them.

The Prince of Wales, the Duke and Duchess of York, Princess Mary and Viscount Lascelles, the Duke of Gloucester and Prince George, are all to gather with the queen around the family dinner table.

Special Trains Depart

The public rush out of the capital was a bit stronger than usual because many delayed departure until assured of a betterment in the condition of their monarch. More than 100 special trains departed from each of the big stations today.

There was a big exodus to the continent also and the air lines got their share of this traffic.

A giant Christmas tree was placed in the Nave of Canterbury cathedral and visitors were invited to place around it gifts of clothing, shoes and provisions for the families of distressed miners.

Police Court Quiet

Police Judge Paul E. Custer had another quiet day yesterday when only one case came before him. F. F. McGarry, charged with failing to stop at an arterial highway, was fined $1 and costs.

Famous River Boat Will Be Dismissed

KEOKUK, Dec. 22 (AP)—The Mississippi river's last side-wheeler in regular trade is to be dismantled. It is the "David Swain," which when new made its first trip between Keokuk and Quincy in opposition to the "Silver Crescent."

The boat was here one season and then was taken south. It was then considered an unusually speedy craft. The boat has been tied up in the south for two years at Vicksburg and will be taken from there to be dismantled.

Two Kidnapers Get Twenty-five Year Sentence

Police Fear Further Outlawry From Big Extortion Ring

CHICAGO, Dec. 24 (AP)—As Angelo Petitti and Andrew Cappellano brooded in separate cells today over a fate that rolled in with the Christmas tide, Chicago police, fearing reprisals, doubled their guard over jurors and participants in the recent trial of Petitti and Cappellano for the kidnaping of 10-year-old Billy Ranieri.

A jury found them guilty of kidnaping for ransom and fixed the penalty at 25 years in prison. The verdict was returned early yesterday.

Police said today the doubled guard would be maintained until Petitti and his henchmen are in Joliet prison. They charged that Petitti is head of a huge extortion ring, and next month he faces another trial on that charge with Pasquale Capitosto and Frank Mastroian.

The verdict ended a trial marked by death threats sent to judge, attorneys, principals and witnesses and the slaying of one important witness, Ole Scully, cousin of Billy Raneiri.

Tony Cappellano, 16-year-old son of Andrew, tried with his father and Petitti, was acquitted and given his freedom today.

A. Frank Raneiri, father of Billy, refused to let fear of the extortion ring spoil his prospects for a happy Christmas, although he has received threats that he is the next to die.

Meantime, police say they will continue to war on the extortion element until no trace of the ring is left.

Called to Solon

Deputy Sheriff A. J. Fuhrman was called to Solon last night to get a man who was reported to be violently insane.

Roman Children Get Most Presents Epiphany Feastday

ROME, Dec. 24 (AP)—The Roman father with a large family, or the Roman uncle with a flock of nephews and nieces, can well be envied by his counterparts in the rest of the Christian world in the toy-buying season.

For while many little Romulos and Giulias receive Christmas presents from doting parents and relatives, their real day for toys does not come until the feast of Epiphany, Jan. 6. So if the harassed papa or distraught bachelor uncle should forget that drum, steam engine or toy airplane, he has plenty of time in which to make good.

Santa Claus does not operate in Rome. Instead the Italian child gazes at the image of the infant Jesus, laid in his manger crib, which is shown in church.

Of the evening celebrations, the outstanding events in this city of 400 churches are the midnight masses. Perhaps the most popular is that celebrated in the famous church of Santa Maria Maggiore atop the Esquiline hill. There a great congregation gathers long before the hour set, for Santa Maria is credited with possessing as its most prized relic, a piece of the original cradle of Bethlehem, which in its silver setting is exhibited at the mass for the veneration of the faithful.

At the American church of Santa Susanna, next door to the United States embassy in the Pazza San Bernardo, Christmas carols are sung in English.

No Word Received From Rescue Party on Colorado River

PEACH STRINGS, Ariz., Dec. 24 (AP)—Silence which has enveloped the disappearance of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Hyde, Colorado river voyagers, descended today upon the searching parties attempting to trace the fate of the Hansen, Idaho, couple.

This little Indian trading post waited anxiously for reports of progress from a boat party which was attempting to reach Diamond creek, but nothing was heard and at Grand Canyon, Ariz., no information came from a land party headed by H. C. Hyde, father of Glenn.

Inadequate means of communication probably would delay the reports of the parties, observers pointed out.

The boat party upon reaching Diamond creek, the nearest operating point from the spot 13 miles distant where army aviators discovered the Hyde scow, will search the canyon for possible footprints. The scow in which the couple attempted to navigate the dangerous river apparently was undamaged, the aviators reported. The land party will search the canyon walls near the location of the scow hoping that some clue to the lost couple may be disclosed.

Chicagoans Spend About $200,000,000 on Christmas Presents

CHICAGO, Dec. 24 (AP)—Santa Claus came to Chicago tonight bowed under the weight of a $200,000,000 pack of gifts. Leading merchants who a few days ago estimated Chicago would spend about $194,000,000 for Christmas presents tonight revised their figures at the close of the eleventh-hour rush.

The city had prepared for its less fortunate people the most bountiful Christmas they have ever known.

Dozens of agencies, including charitable, philanthropic, welfare and educational institutions have raised special funds and the newspapers have joined in the drive for a Christmas for the city's unfortunate. It was estimated that 50,000 persons will receive free Christmas dinners tomorrow and hundreds of families will be provided with food gifts, and household necessities.

More than 1,000 prisoners in the Cook county jail will enjoy a goose dinner with the trimmings.

Mott Goes to Chicago

Prof. Frank L. Mott, director of the school of journalism, is leaving today for Chicago where he will confer with publishers of his new book.

Mail Carrier Finds Aged Couple Both Lying Unconscious

PITTSFIELD, Mass., Dec. 24 (AP)—A letter carrier delivering packages which would have made aged Mr. and Mrs. Onslow D. Farrar happy found them both unconscious in their home here today. The fire in a stove long had been out and Farrar, 85 years old, and his wife, 81 years old, were in a serious condition from exposure.

The couple had the funds to care for themselves and chose to live in a house alone rather than live with relatives.

The carrier found Mrs. Farrar on the floor near her bed on the first floor and the husband lying unconscious at the foot of his bed on the second floor. Mrs. Farrar had long been an invalid. It was believed that her husband had been taken ill in the upper floor and she attempted to go to his aid.

Mrs. Frances Hall Settles Libel Suit Against W.R. Hearst

NEW BRUNSWICK, N.J., Dec. 24 (AP)—Timothy Pfeiffer, counsel for Mrs. Frances Hall, her brother William Stevens and her cousin Henry Carpenter, announced today that his clients' $1,500,000 libel action against William Randolph Hearst and the Hearst publications has been settled out of court.

Mrs. Hall, her brother and cousin brought suit after the trial in which Mrs. Hall and two brothers were charged with the murder of the Rev. Edward Wheeler Hall, Mrs. Hall's husband, and Mrs. Eleanor Mills, choir leader in the Hall church, in 1922.

The alleged libel was committed during the course of the trial, which ended with the freeing of all defendants. Pfeiffer did not divulge the amount of the payment made in settlement.

Christmas Means Nothing to Cupid

Cupid works right up until Christmas!

Such is the conclusion one might draw from reading the records at the county clerk's office, which show that three couples were granted wedding licenses yesterday.

Those getting the licenses yesterday were Clarence Suppel, 25 years old of Solon, to marry Frances McLaughlin, 19 years old of Mt. Vernon, Clarence W. Lee, 31 years old of Hills, to marry Ethel Mentzer, 31 years old, also of Hills, and John Ward Lance, 24 years old of Mt. Pleasant, and Cecille M. Robertson, 20 years old of Washington.

Prison Guards Shoot Escaping Prisoner

OSSINING, N. Y., Dec. 24 (AP)—A Sing Sing prisoner was shot twice and seriously wounded by guards today when he attempted to escape while 10 prisoners were being lined up in the yard to go to the new cell blocks outside the prison proper.

Robert Nari, 23 years old, serving a 12-year sentence for robbery in New York city, slipped through the greenhouse on the river side of the prison to a dock and a keeper gave an alarm as Nabi scaled a fence. Three tower guards and a sentry fired 25 shots as Nabi dashed into the open. Later he was found in some shrubbery.

Dance
at
VALENCIA
Wednesday Night
Helen Thorman and
Novelty Boys

USE THE AIR MAIL!

Social Events

Betty Spencer Will Mary Lyle Hosler in Holiday Season

The marriage of Betty Spencer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry K. Spencer of 2339 Pershing avenue, Davenport, to Lyle Edmund Hosler, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Hosler of 518 East High street, Davenport, will be solemnized Dec. 28 in Davenport.

Miss Spencer attended the University of Iowa, and is a member of Delta Gamma sorority. Hosler studied at Ohio State university and is affiliated with Phi Delta Theta fraternity. He is now in the advertising department of the Racine Review in Racine, Wis., where the new home will be made after a short bridal trip.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie E. Randall and son of Burlington, Wis., arrived Saturday evening to spend Christmas with Mrs. Emma A. Randall, 321 S. Clinton street.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Frohwein, 217 Lexington avenue, are spending Christmas with Mrs. Frohwein's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Evans of Ottumwa.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Baxter and sons, Don and Jerry of Cedar Falls, arrived yesterday to spend the Christmas holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Philip Baxter, 407 S. Dubuque street.

Marion Ketelsen, A4 of Iowa City, will leave tomorrow to spend part of the Christmas holidays with friends in Estherville.

Karl Ketelsen, A2 of Iowa City, is confined to his home at 520 Oakland avenue with influenza.

Dr. Waldo and Dr. Dorothy Dimond of Iowa City will spend Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Lerch of 2415 Fulton avenue, Davenport. Other guests will be Helen Lerch, A4, and Ralph Lerch of Muncie, Ind.

Former Students Enter Washington Society at Dances

Anna Marcella and Julia Larrabee Robbins, who were presented to Washington society at a tea dance Dec. 18, entertained at a dance at "The Galleon" last evening. Both formerly attended the University of Iowa, where they were affiliated with Delta Gamma sorority.

Col. C. R. Robbins, their father, is assistant secretary of war in the Coolidge cabinet. They will return to their home in Cedar Rapids for a short visit some time after the Christmas holidays.

Ruth Thompson to Give Bridge Party

Ruth Thompson, A3 of Iowa City, will entertain at a Christmas bridge party Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. at her home at 202 E. Bloomington street. Included in the courtesy will be Gertrude and Eloise Walker, Ruth Bywater, Jeanne Doran, Katherine Switzer, Mary Plum and Betty Baxter. Christmas decorations will be carried out in the tallies, candles, flowers, and refreshments.

Relief Corps Holds Meetings

The regular monthly business meeting of Samuel J. Kirkwood post, Women's Relief corps, No. 78, will be held in K. P. hall at 7:30 o'clock.

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Mrs. H. J. Dane to Entertain Club

Manville Heights club will be entertained by Mrs. H. J. Dane at her home in Manville Heights at 2:30 p.m. Thursday. Assistant hostesses will be Mrs. G. Albright, Mrs. A. P. Frund and Mrs. Ekstrand. Gifts will be exchanged.

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Ben Switzer to Lead Union Prayers

Union prayer meeting will be held at the home of Mr. Ben Switzer, 904 Iowa avenue, at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday. Mr. Switzer will be the leader.

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Newcombs Hold Family Reunion

Christmas day will be the occasion of a family dinner party to be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Newcomb, 314 S. Summit street, who will entertain their daughters, sons-in-law, and grandchildren.

The guests are: Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Cannon and son, David, of Iowa City; Dr. and Mrs. Sylvester and son, Edgar Bradley, of Des Moines; Mr. and Mrs. August Smith of Lincoln, Neb.; Mr. and Mrs. Harold H. Newcomb of Des Moines, Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Schultz of Newton.

All of the guests with the exception of the grandchildren are University of Iowa graduates.

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Knights of Columbus to Give Party Thursday

Knights of Columbus will enjoy a Christmas party Thursday at 8:30 p.m. in the club rooms.

The guests will spend the evening dancing and playing cards, after which refreshments will be served. Leonard Brecht is in charge of arrangements.

A business meeting at 8 o'clock will precede the party.

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Scott Church Gives Party

The annual community Christmas program will be held Thursday evening at Scott church. Pupils of Martha Oberman, teacher of Lincoln township school No. 1, will present the program. Farm bureau officers will also be elected during the evening.

There will be a Christmas tree and Santa Claus will be present.

To Our Friends and Patrons:

We Wish a
MERRY CHRISTMAS
—and a—
HAPPY NEW YEAR
TURLEY'S

Forgetting business, but with lively remembrance of your good will, we wish you all the joys of Christmas

Iowa City Light & Power Company
A United Light Property

Christmas Greetings

The Old Expression
"Christmas Greetings"
conveys but mildly our appreciation for your loyalty, friendliness, and patronage which we have enjoyed and hope to retain.

We Sincerely Wish You a
Merry Christmas and a
Happy New Year
This store will be closed all day Today.

Yetter's
THE BIG STORE

TWO GARMENTS for THE PRICE OF ONE
WEDNESDAY
and the remainder of the week

Our entire stock of
Women's
Fall and Winter
Coats and Dresses
(Fur Coats and Party Dresses Excepted)

Exquisitely Styled Coats and Dresses Developed of Finest Fabrics. Every Garment a Real Bargain — A Truly Wonder Value

During this two for one sale

Buy a garment bearing its original price and get a garment of equal value
FREE
If you want to purchase but one garment bring a friend to cooperate in your purchase

Extra Sales People

Yetter's
THE BIG STORE

Greetings
CHRISTMAS WISHES
The Season's Greetings
With All
Kind Thoughts and
Best Wishes for
your Christmas Day
Prince's Flower Shop
Greetings of the Season
—May the Christmas blessing of Peace and Good Will be yours this joyous Season.
The Newberg Studio
HOLIDAY Joy
Comes another Christmas,
Dawns another year,
The same old friendship
lingers,
And the same old fashioned
Cheer.
"Merry Christmas"
Helen Donovan
Merrie Christmas
With great pleasure we pause at this joyous Christmas Season to send our best wishes to you whose friendship we cherish.
Lenoch & Cilek
Merry Christmas
We have borrowed the words,
But the wish is our own—
"The Merriest Christmas
You ever have known."
T. Dell Kelley
Bring in the Yule-log,
Hang up the holly;
Here's to a Christmas
Both Merry and Jolly.
H. L. BAILEY
Insurance Agency
Christmas Cheer
It is our pleasure
to wish you all
a very
"MERRY
CHRISTMAS"
ALDOUS-FLOWER SHOP
YULETIDE GREETINGS
—We extend to our friends and customers heartly good wishes for the Holiday Season.
Frank Fryauf & Son
Joyous Christmas
We wish to express our appreciation to our customers for their patronage during the past year, and we wish you all a very
Merry Christmas
Means Bros.
It's an old, old story
Told in an old, old way.
"Merry Christmas
Everybody"
The Domby Boot Shop
May this be
your happiest
and
your best
day of the year.
Merry Christmas
Paris Cleaners
HAPPY YULETIDE
To Our Customers
and Friends
NEW PROCESS LAUNDRY
AND
CLEANING COMPANY
"The LAUNDRY Does Its Best"
The Entire
Personnel
Of
Our Store
Wish You a Christmas Full of Joy
Stillwell Paint Store
—Today is Christmas—and we want you all to know that there's a hearty
MERRY CHRISTMAS
for you from the
Bowman Electric Co.

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Tuesday, December 25, 1928

Merry Christmas!

TODAY is Christmas.

For 1,928 years the Yuletide bells have renewed the tidings of a Savior's birth.

There were no extras that far-off day in Bethlehem to herald the coming of the wise men of the east to a manger in a stable. Today our newspapers roll out millions of pages to tell the happenings of this complex age. We are much concerned over monetary incidents that loom big for a day, to be forgotten the next. Viewed in the steadiness and permanence of the light of the start of Bethlehem, those incidents mean little.

Struggles, reforms, advances, retreats, chagrin, the flush of victory; the tragedy, the pathos, the humor of the ways of men have a way of flashing forth in flickering lights and shadows from the news columns. But when these lights have all gone out, there still remains in the background the illuminating brilliance of the star in the east, that shone over One "Who shall be called Jesus, for He shall save His people from their sins."

How much easier would all the struggles that agitate our daily life become, could we but put more of the Christmas spirit into their solution. As Henry Van Dyke has the three wise men decide, the way to help the world is not to give more power to the right, nor bring knowledge to all men, but to give love to all the world.

Christmas means many things—friendships renewed, home ties strengthened, gifts exchanged, the joys of a holiday away from work; but over and above all these, Christmas is the one day of all the year when people everywhere forget their differences and unite in the message of "Peace on earth, good will to men."

In that spirit THE DAILY IOWAN wishes you a Merry Christmas.

A Real Education

TWENTY-SIX farm boys and girls, representing 17 states, have just been accorded national honor as the outstanding leaders of the 700,000 young persons engaged in organized farm club work in the United States during 1928. Prize money distributed to the group totaled $1,000.

This event brings to the popular attention of the world the great work being accomplished by the 4-H club leaders. The organization now reaches to nearly all parts of the country and has been so widened as to include nearly every phase of agricultural activity and homemaking.

Boys and girls in rural communities are especially aided by the 4-H club work. Many boys and girls are learning the newer and more modern methods of farming and stock raising due to efforts of club leaders.

This movement, which received its first *real boost during the World war*, when thousands of boys and girls pledged themselves to raise gardens and extra crops as their part in the great food conservation program undertaken in America as part of the war necessities, is today functioning with more effect than ever before.

Idle hours are turned to profitable ones when the farm boys and girls learn to cultivate new crops, obtain larger yields per acre than their fathers ever had, cook better foods than their mothers have been able to do through following methods long obsolete, and improve their own condition generally.

Many girls just barely entering their teens now can large shelves full of fruit and vegetables. They use new approved methods and can only those foods which will prove most healthful during the winter months when fresh vegetables from the garden are out of the question.

Days have passed when the farm boy or girl was merely a slave.

Today the farm lad is becoming a business man. His sister is learning how to make a good home. The annual immigration from the farm to the city is decreasing and will come to a halt as soon as the 4-H clubs train all farm boys and girls in the arts of farming and better living.

The farm is undoubtedly the best place in the world to make a home. But in the old days when boys and girls were reared in old houses little better than their ancestors lived in 150 years ago, why could we expect anything but a disgust and hate for farm life.

Many farm homes now rival the finest city homes for modern conveniences and comforts. Electricity has come in for its share. Homes heated by the most modern of heating facilities are common.

A practical education of the sons and daughters of the farm is certainly the best program of farm relief this country could foster.

Make the farm better and no boy or girl will leave it.

Educate those boys and girls to make the farm better themselves—and farms will be better.

Make the farms better and you make the country better.

Leave It to the Doctors

THE physicians who are attending King George have been criticized for many things that they did do, and some that they did not do. At the time the double operation was performed there was criticism because the public was not informed of the facts of the case, which were apparently more serious than the people realized.

The royal medical attendants also were the subject of heated words because they did not use electrical treatments sooner, or call in a chest specialist until the case was serious, and because when they did call in extra doctors, they secured younger men who would not disagree with them, rather than long experienced specialists.

The unenviable publicity that surrounds the medical attendance to King George is a hindrance to the royal doctors. Loyalty of the subjects requires that regular bulletins about the king's condition be published regularly. When the doctors refrain from telling of some important development in the case they are criticized.

The doctors cannot afford to make any mistakes in this case, and serious conferences must be held before any important step is taken. It is different from an ordinary case where one or maybe two doctors are in attendance. There quick judgment is often used, and the patient usually progresses faster.

It seems logical that the more doctors there are to consult, the longer it will take to reach a decision. Prompt action is part of the cure, and this is true with any individual, whether he be a king or not.

The League of Nations, with regard to the Bolivia-Paraguay decision to arbitrate, must have much the same feeling of relief as the little boy who has promised to recover the candy the big neighborhood bully has taken from his sister when he learns the bully voluntarily gave it back.

With Other Editors

The Home Brewer

(From The New York World)

COL. JACOB RUPPERT, urging the near-beer brewers to make an alliance with the Anti-Saloon league in the cause of temperance, let a big black cat out of the bag. "My belief," he said, "is that it would make very little difference to the cereal beverage business if every illegal brewery was padlocked, for millions of persons have learned to make their own beer, wine, and whisky, and a great many little alley breweries have sprung up which are doing a hand to mouth business and can easily meet local requirements."

Few will doubt that he knows what he is talking about. With regard to the enforcement of prohibition, it is the fashion to discuss it in terms of bootleggers and the stuff that bootleggers sell, possibly because this is the more spectacular and hence the more scandalous side of the question. But there is another side too, a side that rarely gets mentioned when congress begins to interrogate the prohibition commissioner. It is the side that was touched upon by Colonel Ruppert: the amount of alcoholic liquor that is made in homes; and there is reason to think that this exceeds the amount sold by bootleggers. To begin with, there is wine, made from California grapes, and how much this is no man can say. The grapes come to the cities in carload lots, the acreage having quadrupled since 1919, and all during the fall the streets are heavy with the smell of fermentation that floats up from cellars. Then there is the home manufacture of beer, brandy and whisky. How much this is, again, no man can say. But some idea of what it amounts to can be gained by making a rough computation. For New York (city), Donnelly's Red Book lists 172 malt and hops stores, some of them so large that they maintain several branches. They handle malted grains of various sorts, hops, molasses, sugar, bottles, capping machines, flavoring extracts, fermenters, kegs, both charred and plain; raisins, apricots and other kinds of dried fruit, formulas, and stills, which seem to be legal if they are marked "Improved Oil Can." How much business one of these places must do to keep going is a question, but let us be moderate and say it can get along on a gross of $100 a month. Now, home made liquor does not cost what bootleg liquor costs. Beer can be made for a few cents a gallon, and brandies and whiskys for 50 cents a quart, which would include all the fancy touches that a home manufacturer could put into them. Lump it all up at $1 a gallon and you can see that the smallest neighborhood malt and hops store must be a fountainhead of at least 1,000 gallons of liquor a month or else go out of business. Add this flow to the wine flow, and the total is simply enormous.

Moreover, the quality is far from bad, as the stuff is at least free from the poisons that bootleg liquor is heir to. The probability is that within a few years this source of supply will put even the bootlegger out of business, and we shall have the complete enforcement that prohibitionists yearn for. Inscrutable, indeed, are the ways of Providence in this our enlightened century.

THAT $165,000,000 PEN!

President Coolidge is shown immediately after signing the Boulder dam bill with Sen. Hiram D. Johnson (right) of California and Rep. Philip D. Swing of the same state, authors of the measure. The president gave one of two pens with which he signed to Senator Johnson.

Price and his California Bears

California will try to stop the devastating sweep of the Golden Tornado of Georgia Tech, at the Tournament of Roses game Jan. 1. Coach "Nibs" Price is shown above with three of his stars.

By RUSSELL J. NEWLAND
(Associated Press Sports Writer)

PASADENA, Cal. (AP)—A Golden Tornado that has cut a destructive swath through the Southland will find a Golden Bear in its pathway, here Jan. 1, with a reputation of its own for ruthless crushing of gridiron hopes.

The football wreckage that Georgia Tech has left behind in its sweep through Southern sectors is not more impressive than the damage wrought by California in its rampage along the west coast.

Neither was defeated in conference play, although California was tied twice, once by Southern California, 1928 champion of the Coast conference and again by Stanford. Both went through gruelling schedules.

Styles of play are similar, each team being almost impregnable on defense, and neither having any very imposing scoring machinery. The forward pass has been noticeably missing from the offense of both elevens during the regular seasons. However, if California changes its style of attack in the Rose Bowl tilt this time as it did in its post-season game last year with Pennsylvania, the 75,000 spectators will see as spectacular a display of aerial fireworks as has marked any encounter in 1928. Against Pennsylvania the Bears threw passes with abandon and swamped the easterners under a lop-sided score, yet up to that time they had used the forward pass but sparingly.

Regardless of the type of attack, a duel of sterling halfbacks impends. Georgia Tech's play is built around Warner Mizell, a triple threater against any aggregation. To an equal extent California relies upon a stellar performer—Benny Lyon, outstanding kicker of the coast and scarcely less effective in passing and packing the ball.

The lines will average about the same in weight, both being around 187 pounds.

A glance at the season's records of the two schools shows how closely they are matched:

Georgia Tech defeated Virginia Military Institute 13 to 0; Tulane 12 to 0; Notre Dame 13 to 0; North Carolina 20 to 7; Oglethrope 32 to 7; Vanderbilt 19 to 7; Alabama 33 to 13, and Georgia 20 to 6.

California won from Santa Clara 22 to 0; St. Mary's 7 to 0; Washington State 13 to 3; Oregon 13 to 0; Washington 6 to 0; Nevada 60 to 0. It played Stanford to a 13 to 13 tie and Southern California to a scoreless tie and was beaten only by the Olympic Club of San Francisco 12 to 0, in non-conference play.

Georgia Tech will be the third southern team to represent the country east of the Rocky mountains since the Tournament of Rose classic was inaugurated in 1916.

Cedar Rapids Man Dies While Trying to Save Furniture

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 24 (AP)—John Kuara, 40 years old, Cedar Rapids, who plunged through flame and smoke to rescue his host's household effects when fire broke out in an apartment building here, died in a hospital today.

One other victim of the fire, John Katawba, is in a critical condition. Occupants of the building were asleep early yesterday when the fire was discovered. All were safely outside when several, including Kuara, decided to salvage furniture and other possessions. Kuara ventured into the rooms of John Kron, with whom he was spending the holidays. Fire cut off the exit and he had to run through the flames.

Bockenthien Funeral Yesterday

Funeral service for Russell Bockenthien, 29 years old, who died at the Mercy hospital here Saturday afternoon after a short illness, was held yesterday afternoon at the Hohenschuh funeral home.

Chills and Fever

It may be—

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Merry Christmas to some people, but not to those with flu and what not. Just saw Jim Long, and he was merely dragging along. With great gasps, he assured me that he had flu, a sore throat, to say nothing of sinus trouble.

"Oh! I remarked cheerfully, "I know a poor girl who durn near died with that last night."

"Yeh?" he returned glumly. "I thought I was night before last, but I've given up hope. I know I'm going to live now."

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A small local girl wrote to a large local store as follows:

"Dear Santa:

Please send me a grey doll buggy with blue wheels and a canopy top. I have been a good girl. Gladys Marie.

P.S.—If you don't have one, Montgomery Wards in Cedar Rapids have one just like I want."

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We highly approved of the crack in the Chic Trib to the effect that King for a Day meant Santa Claus on Christmas.

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Definition of alimony: Punishment for being a poor judge of women.

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"For Me"

Oh, what do I want for Christmas,
And where will I hang my hose?
I want a bouncing kitty cat
With a funny, pushed-up nose.

Oh, that's what I want for Christmas;
There by the door hangs my hose
For the foolish bit of kitten
With the funny, pushed-up nose.

Joanne.

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"Al" Clements, "daddy" to all the Acacia boys that have ever gone to school here, is said to have the world's greatest collection of Christmas cards and remembrances. A huge table is swamped with the offerings of all of his boys. One is a large, one pound candy all-month sucker, and is accompanied by a card with a legend reading something like this: "The largest sucker in the world to the next largest."

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And the managing editor remarked to the editor, "Harry, old man, you sing like I play the saxophone."

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A Good Excuse

Father (reading report)—"Why are you always behind with your studies, Robert?"

Robert (quickly)—"So I can pursue them, father."

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And Velma wants to know how Santa can come through an electric heater. I think you're in for a shock this Christmas, Velma.

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"Why hurry to hang out your shingle?"

"I have to pay for my board."

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After seeing "White Shadows in the South Seas" the conclusion is that to be a deep sea diver, it is necessary to begin at the top and work down.

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And one of the members of the staff is all cut up because he received a card from an automobile company and he had forgotten to send them his Christmas greetings.

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"Are you really hungry?"

"I'm simply famished!"

"All right—let's get some pop corn."

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Scotch Christmas—Show me something exclusive in a five cent candy bar, please.

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Ruth tells me this one—A small girl was upstairs and quiet for a very, very long time. Her mother became suspicious of the silence and hastened up to see what was occupying the two year old youngster's attention. She found the child powdering everything in sight, for she had spilled a large box of powder. The baby looked up solmenly and said, "Now mother, don't let's say anything we'll be sorry for."

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Have you heard about the boy who went to barber college, and spent the vacation scraping up old acquaintances?

—Betty.

LAW TAKES BABY FROM MOTHER

Mrs. Catherine Zalis, insane mother, as she left the county jail in Chicago on way to asylum, clinging tightly to her month-old baby, Betty Ann. A few moments later the infant, to be cared for by an uncle, and the mother were separated.

Christmas Spirit Stimulates Trade in Stock Market

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (AP)—The "Christmas spirit" permeated the stock market today and prices advanced in impressive fashion throughout the list. Final quotations disclosed a long list of net gains ranging from 1 to 5 points, and a sprinkling of specialties up 6 to nearly 18 points. There were only a few soft spots. Except in 1916, 1918 and 1920, rising prices have been the rule in Christmas markets for the last decade or more.

Despite the absence of many traders over the holiday, today's trading was unusually brisk for a pre-holiday session, sales falling just short of 3,700,000 shares.

Call money was plentiful at the renewal figure of 9 per cent. Time money and bankers' acceptance rates held firm.

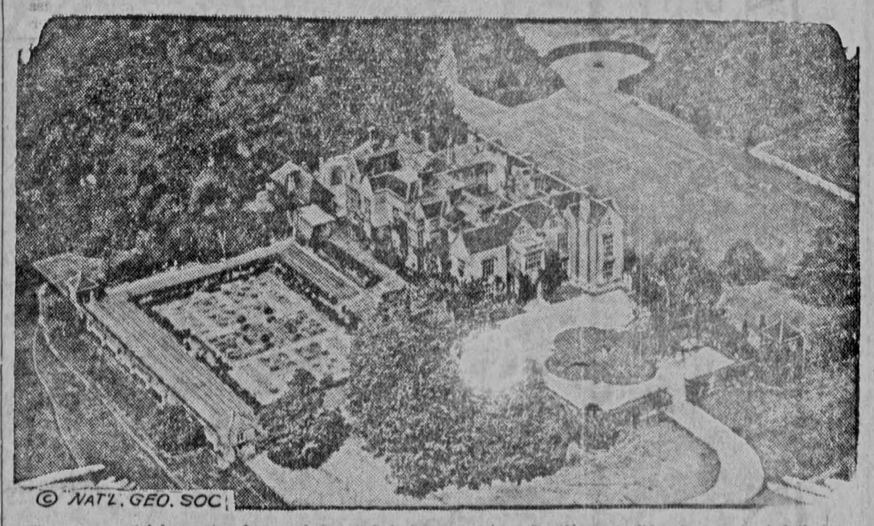
Outside of the increase in the annual dividend on Anaconda Copper from $4 to $6, which incidentally was followed by the traditional "selling on the good news," there was little in the day's business news to influence the price movement.

Speculation in Radio and Victor Talking Machine quieted down somewhat pending official announcement of the merger terms. Wall street heard that Radio common would be split up on a 5 for 1 basis and a new second preferred stock issued, after which one share of new Radio common, one share of Radio second preferred and $5 in cash would be given in exchange for each share of Victor.

International Harvester was the spectacular performer today, soaring 20½ points to 353, and retaining all but 3 points of its gain. National Bellas Hess jumped 15 points to a new high at 220 and then eased to 217¾. Otis Elevator closed 14½ points higher at 272, a new top, and Case Threshing ran up 15 points to 474. American International stepped up 10 points to a new high at 150.

Motor shares were turned over in large volume at rising prices in anticipation of favorable announcements at the coming automobile show. Chrysler ran up 5 points to 126½ but lost half its gain. General Motors closed 2¾ points higher at 196½ after selling a point above that figure.

COUNTRY HOMES OF RULERS



Chequers, official country home of Great Britain's premier. President Coolidge has suggested that some such country place be built for future white house occupants.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 24 (AP)—Great Britain, France and Czechoslovakia have already provided their chief executives' official country homes such as President Coolidge wishes built for future white house occupants, the National Geographical society points out.

Chequers, Rambouillet and Lany are the rural retreats to which Premier Baldwin, President Doumergue and President Masaryk go for brief vacations from official duties.

In Germany the press has been growing more and more indignant at the country homeless predicament of President Hindenburg. Apparently the reichstag and congress will be considering the same housing problem at the same time.

While the Chateau of Rambouillet has been French national property for centuries, Chequers has come into the possession of the British government only recently. Lloyd George was the first English premier to move in after parliament, in 1917, accepted the residence as a gift from Lord and Lady Lee.

In an hour Premier Baldwin can escape from noisy, crowded London to his peaceful peak in the Chiltern hills. Chequers is but 38 miles northwest of London and on the main line to busy Birmingham. A swift railroad ride enables him to exchange his view of grimy house fronts in Downing street for garden terraces that overlook a green, tree clotted countryside sloping down to the sleepy Thames.

With the familiar game Chequers has no connection. Nor has it had a checkered career. Yet the name is singularly appropriate. An early owner bestowed the title out of pride in his appointment by Henry II to the Exchequer. In twentieth century England the path to highest power normally leads from the exchequer to the premiership. Thus both Lloyd George and Stanley Baldwin left the ministry of the exchequer to become, as premier, master of Chequers.

The Chateau of Rambouillet probably has more interest for Americans than Chequers because one of the "sights" of its parks is the magnificent avenue of Louisiana cypresses, a gift to the king from what was then his colony at the mouth of the Mississippi river. Rambouillet sheep, a breed highly esteemed in the United States, take their royal pedigree from this estate where they were raised by the order of Louis XVI.

Thirty miles southwest of Paris and half way to Chartres, the chateau stands in the forest of Yveline, a vast deer park that spreads over 3,000 acres. King, emperor and president have used the residences successively since the sixteenth century when Francis I hunted through the same glades down which President Doumergue follows the hounds.

Napoleon went to bathe in the chateau's salle de bains, so the story runs. He looked up and saw medallions of Bourbon ladies gazing down upon his unclad figure. The medallions followed their originals into oblivion, victims of the emperor's rage.

The French government values Rambouillet at $1,200,000.

DELUGE

By S. Fowler Wright

What Has Gone Before

It was May 31 in a southern English city. Martin Templeton could not sleep; there was something unusual and ominous about the terrific but steady wind. It worried him.

The telephone rang. When Martin lifted the receiver, a tense voice was already repeating, to all who might hear, a general alarm sent out by the government. A terrible calamity had stricken southern Europe. The land was subsiding; Spain, Italy, and part of France had disappeared under the overflowing waters of the Mediterranean; communication was crippled. Although the British government was doing everything possible to meet the emergency, the gale was increasing steadily.

Martin decided that his wife, Helen, and the two small children would be safer outside the house until the storm subsided. Before they were ready to leave, however, a large tree crashed through the north wall of the house pinning Helen beneath a mass of masonry.

Martin carried the two children to a deserted marl-pit near the house, then returned to help Helen. She was alive, but pinned beneath a huge beam. Martin succeeded in extricating her from the debris, only to find that she had received a wound in the side and was weak from loss of blood. Since the wound was not serious, Martin left Helen with the two children in the marl-pit and went foraging for food and other necessities.

Suddenly Martin became aware that he was walking unsteadily. A wall of solid masonry which had withstood the fury of the tempest the night before, crumbled and fell in a cloud of dust. Then he felt a sensation as when an elevator starts suddenly downward. The land was sinking! Gradually he became so accustomed to the movement that it ceased to affect him consciously. He continued on his way; then he came upon a river where there had been no river. He climbed a hill for better view.

A sea of turbulent water stretched beneath him to the horizon. Foot by foot it was rising above the falling land.

Realizing with a shock that the whole countryside must be under water, Martin frantically groped his way in the failing light along the lapping edge of the rising flood, seeking a way to reach his loved ones. It was in vain; the water was on every side of him. He could no longer doubt that they were dead. Miserable, stunned, hopeless, he sat down to wait until the waters rose above the hilltop and took his own life.

They did not rise. Dawn came and he saw that a comparatively narrow strip of water separated him from land which rose behind him to the northwest. With some difficulty, but urged on by a renewed hope and the desire to live, Martin made his way across the intervening water.

He satisfied his hunger on some vegetables from a deserted garden; then he sought sleep. The rigors of that terrible night exacted their toll; he must have been ill for days—he could keep no track of time. Finally his strong constitution won out, however; he gained strength, then health. His body became stronger than it had ever been; but his mind lacked the incentive to do more than provide for his immediate needs.

He saw only two human beings; a crippled old woman who later died, and an old navvy whom the shock of the catastrophe had driven insane. His reason told him the whole earth could not be under water. He expected continually to see the smoke of some approaching steamer.

But the seas remained empty.

Now go on with the story.

The hours passed very quickly to Helen after Martin left her. He had provided as far as possible for her comfort during his absence. Food and water were near to her hand. Fire was beneath her and within her reach, but it was not cold. He had left a stock of broken wood, sufficient to keep it alight till his return, if it were used with discretion. She could easily throw it on, piece by piece, from where she lay. She let the children scramble on the side of the pit, guiding them with her voice to avoid the brambles and the steeper places, but they soon came back to her. Tired by the excitement of their strange experience, they were glad to nestle against her, and slept, one on either side, in the warm safety of her arms.

Among the attempts which have been made by mankind to solve the enigma of conscious life, its end and its beginning, the most rational (as it may foolishly seem to an imperfect knowledge) is that of the transmigration of souls. With this theory there is commonly linked one of progression or penalty, by which each incarnation is controlled by the conduct of the individual in the one which preceded. Whether true or false, the two theories are without necessary sequence. It would be as probable to postulate that the ego is unalterable, and that the incarnations it may undergo are not rewards, or penalties, or of any educational purpose, but are rather a series of tests of its quality, by which its value is proved under different conditions and with conflicting environments.

However this may be (if it be at all) it appears evident that there is little difference in the nature of mankind when tested by circumstances the most refined or the most barbarous, or when compared over the longest periods of recorded history. Of this there is no clearer proof than in the actions of individuals whose conditions are sharply changed by natural convulsions, by war, or famine, or by the sudden acquisition of unusual wealth.

To each of those who had survived the first assaults of flood and fire, and tempest, the test came, which was as though they approached a new incarnation without losing the memory of that which had preceded it.

Helen, her mind stunned by a catastrophe too sudden and too vast for immediate comprehension, and knowing only doubtfully the extent to which civilization had fallen before it, felt, rather than thought, as she lay unsleeping between her children. She had no consciousness of immediate danger. She supposed that, for the time at least, to be over. She had no fear that Martin would not return as he had promised. She was not of a nature that worries over imagined evil, and her confidence in him was habitual. But her thoughts moved uncertainly, as does an insect whose nest is broken or removed in its absence. The furniture of her mind had become worthless. Thoughts of her home, neighbors, recreations, pleasures, garments, engagements, would obtrude or betray her into a moment's forgetfulness, only to be thrown aside with the realization that they had no further meaning. Her brain brought her the accustomed memories, to find itself always repelled and its tributes rejected. Beyond this, it had nothing to offer, except the enigma of the future, to which it could supply no answer.

So she lay, and felt only, while it commenced its patient task of covering rejected thoughts, and arranging new facts in readiness for the time when she should require them.

But there were some other things which it was not asked to change, but rather to call to an added consciousness, and first of these was that instinct that held dominion separate *from herself, however willingly she* might foster it in every cell of her body. The instinct which her generation had been persuaded to betray, to their own undoing. Her arms tightened round the two that slept so confidently in their protection—arms so pitifully weak to shield them against the blind forces that wrecked the earth around her. Out of a sudden agony of prayer, her soul rose to that height of God-in-man which is the tragic greatness of humanity, and before which death itself is ashamed and impotent. She knew the weakness of her arms, and was not daunted. She knew the strength of her opponents, and was resolute to resist them. They should not suffer, though the whole world fall.

The hours passed, and Martin did not return. The sun, which no longer shown down into the pit, but touched the bushes on its eastern side with the golden light of evening, told her that she was not deceived as to the time which had passed. She determined to test her ability to stand. Drawing herself carefully from between the sleeping children she rose painfully. She was stiff and bruised, but the numbness had gone from her side, though it hurt her sharply. It hurt her, too, if she breathed deeply. It hurt her more if she touched it. But she was glad she could stand.

She had never been credited with any physical courage. She would be startled by a dog's bark. She would walk wide of a quiet cow. She would certainly have run in terror from a rat had it advanced boldly upon her, though it were as absurd as though a cat should offer battle to an elephant. But she had that high quality to passive courage which can face pain and wounds, after their infliction, with a more resolute spirit than is possible to many who may more lightly take the risks which incur them.

She soon found that she could move more easily, and that she could more exactly gage her capacity to do so without hurting herself too sharply. She busied herself in many little activities of which she had thought as she lay. She waked the children and fed them. She had a meal herself. She was hungry, and there was no good purpose in waiting to share it with Martin. Surely he would not be long now? The sun must be near setting.

Casually she looked at the further side of the pit, was puzzled by what she saw, and looked more closely. While she did so, a wave swirled over the edge, spilling through the bushes, and splashing into the hollow.

Her mind poised blank for a moment, and then waked to full consciousness of its meaning. She knew that the field below the pit sloped downward, though only gently. Beyond it, stretched miles of lower land to the river valley. Water flowing over the edge could only mean an inundation beyond conception. Before the next swirl of the rising water fell over the edge with a louder noise, and in a fuller volume, her purpose had taken shape, and she had commenced its accomplishment. With no thought of saving anything but their bare lives, and with even Martin forgotten, she was climbing up the bank, with the two children under her right arm, while she used her left as best she could to support her in the burdened climb. There was one chance—so small a chance—if she were not too late already. Her memory searched for details of every drop and rise in the ground before her. She decided that she was not too late—but how fast might not the water be rising around her? She must not be too late.

She was on the edge of the pit now, and cast a glance around, though she did not delay for an instant. Mile on mile the water stretched interminably to southward. In the shallowness of the foreground, trees rose and hedges showed. There was no regular succession of waves, but the surface heaved irregularly as it advanced. It was covered by debris of a thousand kinds. The low sun glorified it.

As she looked, a fox ran past, carrying a cub in her mouth. The creature did not mind her.

She became conscious that the children, roughly held were dragged through weed and brier, were crying in a frightened way. She was running now, though weakly enough, up the field, and changed the younger one to her injured arm. It was the highest evidence of her courage that her voice could soothe them. Sensitive to her mood, they became quiet with a consciousness of drama, but not of tragedy, as she bore them.

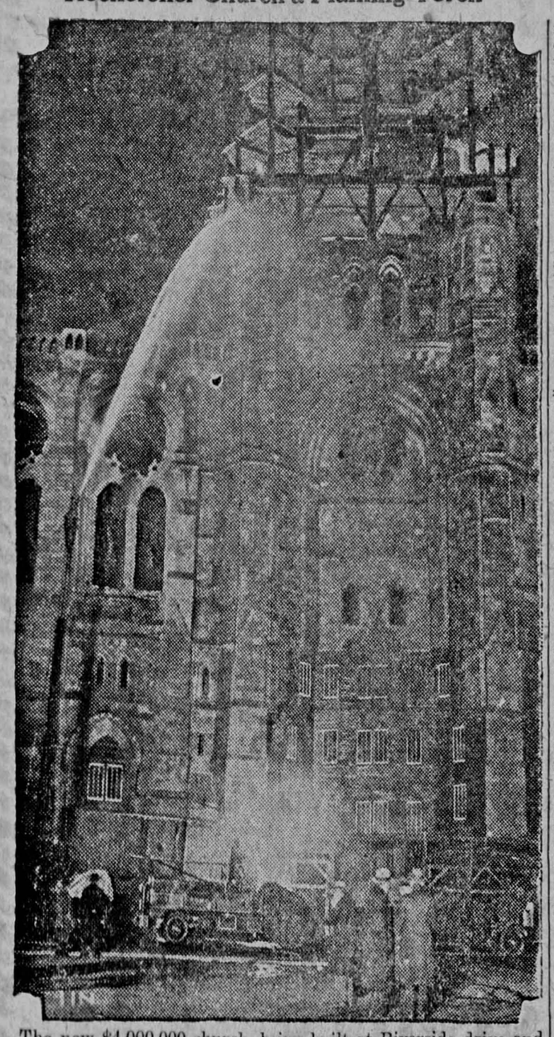
Her progress was not rapid, for she was weak and burdened. There were obstacles also to surmount, or avoid as best she could. But she knew her purpose, and her spirit used the little strength she had to its last atom of energy. Nature held the scale that trembled to the verdict of death, watched it—and let her go.

(TO BE CONTINUED)

"DON'T EVER PLAY FOOTBALL"

Al (TiNiTi) Lassman, N.Y.U. football captain, as he appears in his bed in New York hospital suffering from an injury to his spine. One side of his body is paralyzed and friends say his mind is far from normal following injuries he received in Carnegie Tech game at Pittsburgh. On arrival in New York the giant tackle told a sports writer, wearily, "Don't ever play football; it's too costly."

Rockefeller Church a Flaming Torch



The new $4,000,000 church, being built at Riverside drive and One Hundred Twenty-second street, New York, was swept by a fire which, after destroying costly interior, mounted to the lofty tower. Here firemen are fighting the flames as they roar high above the street. Heaviest subscriber to the new church was John D. Rockefeller, Sr., multi-millionaie philanthropist.

Wheat Prices Descend

Piling-Up of Supply in South America Drags Values Down

CHICAGO, Dec. 24 (AP)—Piling-up of wheat supplies, especially in southern hemisphere countries as well as the United States, acted persistently as a weight on wheat values today. Kansas and Missouri reports of wheat crop damage because of alternate freezing and thawing conditions failed to be much of a counterbalance.

Closing quotations on wheat were unsettled at the same as Saturday's finish to ⅛@¾c lower, with corn unchanged to ⅛c off, oats a shade to ⅜c down, and provisions unchanged to a rise of 25c.

Throughout the day, the majority of wheat traders were leaning to the selling side, taking their cue largely from advices at hand regarding the supply situation south of the equator, where the main movement of newly harvested wheat is starting in full tide toward importing countries the world over. Word was received that the combined surplus of wheat available in Argentina and Australia is about 330,000,000 bushel, compared with 280,000,000 bushel cleared from the two countries this season.

Furthermore, with incomplete figures pointing to a probable large increase of the United States wheat visible stock total this coming Wednesday, deliveries on December wheat contracts here were of liberal volume today, 257,000 bushel.

Under such conditions, announcement today that the actual amount of wheat on ocean passage had fallen off 5,824,000 bushel in the last week was virtually ignored.

Corn prices today were responsive to larger receipts, including 523 cars at Chicago. Notwithstanding this, and despite sales of 110,000 bushel of corn into store here today, December delivery of corn was showing relative strength. Purchases of No. 3 yellow corn from an Illinois point for export via New Orleans were made at equal to 83½c a bushel, Chicago. Oats averaged a little lower, sympathizing with corn.

Provisions were somewhat firmer, reflecting an upturn in the value of hogs.

NEW YORK STOCKS

	High	Low	Close
American Can.	103¾	103	103¾
Am. Locomotive	104	103¼	103¼
Am. Smelt & Ref.	273½	270	273½
American Sugar	84¾	83¼	84¾
Am. Tel. & Tel.	190½	189½	190
Anaconda Copper	115¾	111½	111¾
Atch Top & S. F.	197½	196	196
Bethlehem Steel	85½	82¾	83½
Chrysler Motor	126¼	121	123¾
Consolidated Gas	107½	105	106½
Dupont De Nem	493	489	489
Erie Railroad	68¾	67¾	68
General Electric	200	193½	197¾
General Motors	197½	194	196½
Hudson Motors	88½	86½	87
Inter. Harvester	353	343	350
New York Central	189	186¾	187¾
North Amer. Co.	91¾	90¾	91¾
Pennsylvania	72¾	72	72
Radio Corp.	378	365	371
Sears Roebuck	182¾	175	182¾
Southern Pacific	125½	124¾	125½
Southern Ry.	147¾	146½	147¾
Studebaker Corp.	76¾	75½	76
Texas Corp.	65¾	65	65½
Union Pacific	210	208½	210
U. S. Rubber	40¾	38¾	40
U. S. Steel	158¾	156	156¾
Westing. Elec.	135¾	130&	134¾
Woolworth & Co.	215½	212¾	213½

MARKETS AT A GLANCE NEW YORK

Stocks—Strong; International Harvester jumps more than 20 points.

Bonds—Irregular; New York Railway 5's decline more than 12 points.

Foreign exchanges—Steady; French franc advances slightly.

Cotton—Higher; steady cables and covering.

CHICAGO

Wheat—Easy; excellent weather southwest.

Corn—Barely steady; predictions larger receipts.

Cattle—Higher.

Hogs—Active and firm.

Corn Market Firm in Britain; Weak American Offerings

CHICAGO, Dec. 24 (AP)—Broomhall says: "There is a firmer feeling in the corn market in the United Kingdom. Offerings from both the Argentine and the United States are only fair and weekly shipments from North America this last week amounted to 1,040,000 bushels, compared to 700,000 the previous week, and total world's shipments were 4,724,000 bushels, compared to 5,285,000 bushels to the previous week.

"The growing crop in the Argentine is making satisfactory progress and fairly liberal rains have been received, but generous rainfall will be necessary in months of January and February to assure a crop large as this year's. London sold of old Argentine corn for December-January shipment at 40.6 per quarter of 480 pounds. Liverpool reports the sale of plate corn for February-March shipment at 42 and for December-January at 40.3. No. 2 mixed corn, prompt shipments is selling freely at 37.6 per quarter of 480 pounds."

Persistent demand for export and domestic shipment has sustained corn prices and cash basis throughout the fall," said Thomson-McKinnon. "It will take increased receipts to cause any material decline and expect country to hold back their corn on the breaks.

STOCK MARKET AVERAGES

	20 Ind.	20 Rails.
Today	249.83	153.88
Saturday	247.83	153.38
Week ago	234.60	150.84
Year ago	185.91	147.74
High 1928	258.33	157.69
Low 1928	176.84	138.36

Total stock sales yesterday 3,693,700 shares.

DAILY LOCAL RETAIL MARKET
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Oats	$ .50
Corn	1.15
Barley	.75
Wheat:	
Nebraska (cwt.)	2.25
Iowa (cwt.)	2.00
Cracked corn (cwt.)	2.35
Sugar (cwt.)	6.00
Flour 49-lb. sack)	1.75
Straw (bale)	.50
Hay (bale)	.75
Oyster Shells	1.00
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Football Flashes of 1928 Test Mettle on Shining Lights of Past

Old Timers Don Grid Togs, Battle All-Eastern Stars

Former Stanford Men Scrimmage With Kerr's Team

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24 (AP)—Football stars of the past and present donned uniforms today to pit experience, if not teamwork, against the eastern squad which is training at Stanford university for the east-west charity game at San Francisco.

The pick-up eleven which scrimmaged against Coach Andy Kerr's easterner's included Ernie Nevers, former All-American fullback; Ed Walker, end; Hal McCreery, center; Fred Swan, guard; Mike Murphy, quarterback, and many others who brought fame to Stanford in earlier days.

All of the plays with which Coach Kerr hopes to snatch victory came in for a workout and the eastern team functioned smoothly. While no intimation has been given as to starting backfields, those receiving most attention are Harpster, Carnegie Tech, quarterback; Weston, Boston college, and Guest, Lafayette halfbacks; Holmer, Northwestern, fullback.

The western team coached by Orin E. Hollingberry of Washington State college whizzed through a long practice session here today despite rainy weather. Lacking a thoroughly experienced signal caller, Hollingbery has decided to use Dan Allen, former Yale player now with the Olympic club and "Biff" Hoffman, Stanford fullback. Two backfield combinations are being experimented with. One includes Sims, Stanford quarterback; Cowan, Sulross, College of Texas; and Horan, Washington State, halfbacks; and Hoffman, fullback. Another features Walker, Texas Tech, quarterback; Speecher, West Coast Army and Marcus, California, halfbacks; and Allen, fullback.

Officials for the game have been named as follows:

Referee, George Vernell, Chicago; umpire, Walter Eckersall, Chicago; field judge, Harry Braddock, Pennsylvania; head linesman, Robert Evans, Milliken.

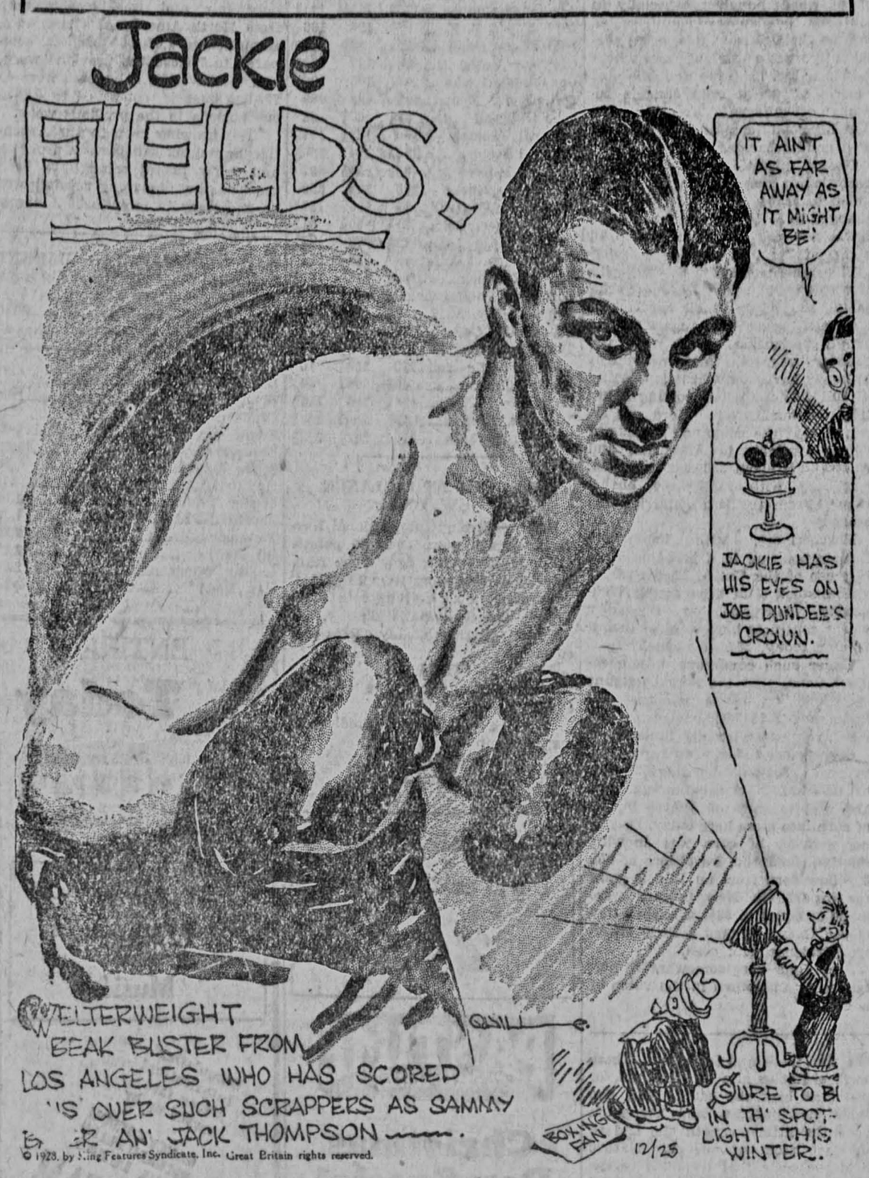
Goes to Newark

Mike Gazella, above, is baseball's highest priced "sitter." For four years he has graced the bench of the Yankee dugout at a total intake of approximately $44,000, including the proceeds from four full World's series cuts.

In four years he has played only at rare intervals. His first appearance was in 1923, when he sat out a season and a world series and drew down $11,000, of which $6,200 was series money. In 1924 and 1925 he was in the minors, but he returned in 1926 and sat and sat and sat—to the tune of $6,000 and world series dough. He did it again in 1927 and in 1928 he got a thousand extra for polishing the woodwork in addition to the series coin.

Now Mike goes to Newark, where, under Tris Speaker's eagle eye, he probably will start doing calesthenics — or something.

A Welterweight Menace



By QUIN HALL

All that Jackie Fields wants for Christmas is a crack at the welterweight crown now worn by Joe Dundee.

Jackie, as you probably know if you follow your sports, is a real menace in the welterweight ranks, and he feels that he deserves a shot at the title. And he isn't asking Santa Claus anything out of reason. It isn't like a guy with a bicycle income asking for a polo stick or anything like that. It's within reason—this little request by young Mr. Fields.

Getting the champion, Dundee, in a ring is quite another proposition. Since winning the title Baltimore Joe has been rather backward about risking it in the squared circle. Coming up to the championship, Joe was one of the best scrappers in the business and he was always fighting. Crowned, he has been a different person. He has figured in some overweight, non-titular matches, but he seems to evade the issue of tossing the old tiara into the ring with him.

Titular Bout Uncertain

That non-titular bout in Chicago when he was felled by Jack Thompson, the coast welter, made him even more wary. Signed to meet Thompson in New York, after the Chicago engagement, Dundee broke a wrist or something and the bout was canceled. Matchmaker McArdle, of Madison Square garden, had his hands full getting him to go before the New York boxing commission, and he's due to fight next month. But, based on past performances, there's no certainty about any titular bout in which Dundee is interested. The boys will have to see him inside the ropes before they're sure that he is going to defend that iron hat of his.

Meanwhile Fields has not been idle. Earlier in the year he almost knocked out Thompson, the Negro who flattened Dundee, and followed it up with a crushing two round knockout of Sergt. Sammy Baker, New York's rock fisted favorite, in a Los Angeles ring. Such tactics surely call for title action, and if Jackie fails to get a crack at Dundee he'll just about make up his mind that there really isn't any Santa Claus.

Hailed as King on Coast

On the Pacific coast Jackie is already being hailed as the welterweight king and his backers and boosters in the sunshine territory say that the winning of the title is a mere formality. They insist that he'll take Dundee like "Grant took Richmond" if they ever get in the same ring together.

Fields hasn't been seen in the east since a year ago. Having been highly rated by coast experts Jackie proved a sad disappointment when Louis (Kid) Kaplan handed him a terrific pasting at the Queensboro stadium. All Fields seemed to possess at that time was a lot of motions and he was tabbed as a fussy, fancy boxer who wasted a lot of punches. Back in California Jackie again hit his stride and started in bowling them over again.

Has Taken on Weight

And crashing through such performers as Jack Thompson and Sammy Baker is no soft assignment. If he couldn't break open an egg in New York he most surely was splintering up hard rocks in his own backyard. And so the New York fans are all steamed up over the possibility of again seeing Fields in action.

Fields, of course, has taken on extra weight. When he appeared to be a bust in the east he was a heavy lightweight, and the fans have since criticized his handlers for permitting him to do 135 for Kaplan. With extra poundage he has apparently increased his ability and he most assuredly deserves a chance to fight it out with Dundee for the title. That's the sort of a bout that adds interest to the cauliflower racket.

Sueppel Grooms St. Mary's Five for Road Series

Ten Men to Compose Squad on Three Day Trip

Still feeling the effects of the influenza epidemic, but rapidly rounding into good condition, the St. Mary's high school basketball squad is now being given the final grooming in preparation for the three-day trip which they will start Wednesday morning.

The Sueppel-coached basketeers will meet Central high at Ft. Madison Wednesday night as the first game of a series of three. This quintet boasts of an undefeated record for the season and is regarded as one of the best teams in that section of the country.

Ten Men Make Trip

The next competition for the St. Mary aggregation will be St. Joseph's of Ft. Madison Thursday night, St. Paul hoopsters of Burlington are slated to play the local team Friday night for the final game of the three-day trip.

Ten men will accompany Coach Sueppel on the trip. Shay, Fay, Knodel and Gaulocher, forwards; O'Brien, and Healy, centers; and J. Grim, Haman, L. Grim, and Edie, guards, are those to make the trip.

Starting Lineup

The starting lineup against Central high will consist of Fay and Knodel, forwards; O'Brien, center; and J. Grim, and Haman, guards. Shay, regular forward, is the most recent victim of the influenza and will not be in the Central high game although Coach Sueppel expects to use him in the next game with St. Joseph.

Besides Coach Sueppel and his 10 men, there will be Dr. F. T. Bauer, medical supervisor, Father S. K. Kempker, athletic supervisor, and W. P. Kasper, business manager.

New York Yankees Sell Veteran Third Sacker to Braves

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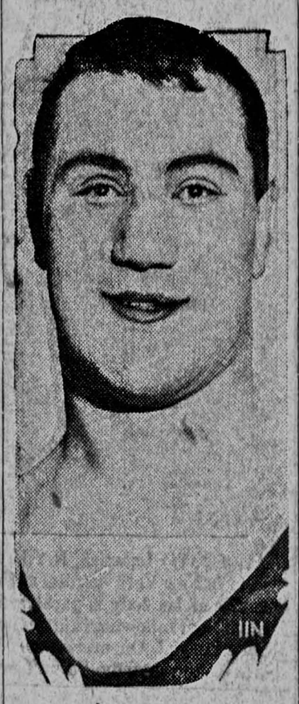
NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (AP) — Joe Dugan, veteran third baseman of the New York Yankees, has been sold to the Boston raves for the waiver price of $7,500 it was announced today. For several days there have been rumors that Dugan would receive his unconditional release, which was due to him under the ten-year rule if no major league claimed him. After all the American league clubs had waived on him, the Braves put in a claim.

Dugan is the fourth member of the Yankees' squad to be released within a few days. Pat Collins was sent to the Braves and Bill Ryan and Mike Gazella were sold to minor league clubs. Dugan came to the majors in 1917 direct from Holy Cross. He played with the Athletics and Boston Red Sox before coming to the Yankees in 1922.

Erin's Own Champ



A close-up of Con O'Kelly, heavyweight champion of the Emerald Isle, who is in the United States to mix with Jimmy Maloney, of Boston. A broth of a bhoy, what?

450 Corporations Give $250,000,000 in Extra Dividends

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (AP)—Directors of 450 corporations in the United States played Santa Claus this Christmas, placing in their stockholders' stockings extra dividends totaling more than $250,000,000. Several hundred millions more were distributed in stock dividends rights for purchase of additional stock and increased dividends.

General Motors corporation heads the list with a melon of $44,500,000 in extra dividends. A dozen other corporations have set aside a million and more dollars of their surplus for their shareholders. E. I. Du Pont de Nemours and company, heavy stockholder in General Motors, is paying out $13,452,000, while the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco company is distributing $6,000,000.

The Standard Oil companies are among the heaviest contributors, Standard of California is distributing $6,297,000; Standard of Indiana, $2,307,000; Standard of New Jersey, $3,039,000; Standard of Kentucky $842,00. and Standard of Nebraska $100,000.

Barry Prepares Hawkeye Quintet for Pitt Struggle

Ten Men to Compose Squad on First Eastern Trip

The Panthers are next!

With three victories chalked up in their column, the University of Iowa basketball players yesterday began preparing for the tilt with Pittsburgh, which will be played on the Panther court Saturday night.

The Pittsburgh game will be the last for the Hawkeyes before opening the Big Ten season. Ohio State will be the first team to open the new year with the Hawkeyes.

Coach Justin M. Barry expects to take 10 men with him on the eastern trip to meet the Panthers. This squad will be chosen from the 16 men who have foregone the Christmas vacation period.

They are Captain Wilcox, Leeka, and Wagner, centers; Twogood, Nelson, Spradling, Plunkitt, Mitchell, Rogge, and Cummins, forwards; and Geneva, David, Kinnan, Jebens, Farroh and Reinhardt, guards.

First Eastern Trip

The trip this week will be the first eastern jaunt that an Old Gold basketball team has ever taken.

The Barrymen, credited already this season with wins over South Dakota, Washington, and Marquette, are gathering themselves into a better squad daily. Effects of the influenza are being left behind and the entire squad should be in excellent condition by the time the whistle for the Panther game is sounded.

On a recent western trip, the Panthers won but one of four games against Big Ten teams, while last year the Smoky City lads defeated all five of the Western conference teams they met.

Play Three Other Games

Last season the Hawkeyes suffered a 44 to 40 beating from the Panthers in the hardest fought battle the eastern aggregation had on the entire western trip.

Returning from the Pittsburgh tilt, the Hawkeyes will prepare to face three other loop quintets within 10 days, all games being on the Iowa court.

With Ohio State opening the new year Jan. 5, Michigan coming Jan. 12, and Minnesota making an invasion Jan. 14, the Barrymen will see a two weeks of hard work.

Officials Demand New Landing Field

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Dec. 24 (AP)—Abandonment of passenger service for the time being and a demand for a new air field are expected to be the immediate results of an air mail crash here Sunday morning in which four persons lost their lives.

Officials at Marr field today said the passenger service would be dispensed with for the present, but declined to permit use of their names in connection with the statement. The field should be moved five or six miles further from the city to the foot of Missionary ridge, they said.

The present field is in a hollow where mists collect, and the air is said to be bad for flying.

Investigation of Sunday's crash was held up today pending arrival of Major Earl Ward, operating manager of the Interstate air lines, owners of the plane, and representatives of the federal aviation inspection service.

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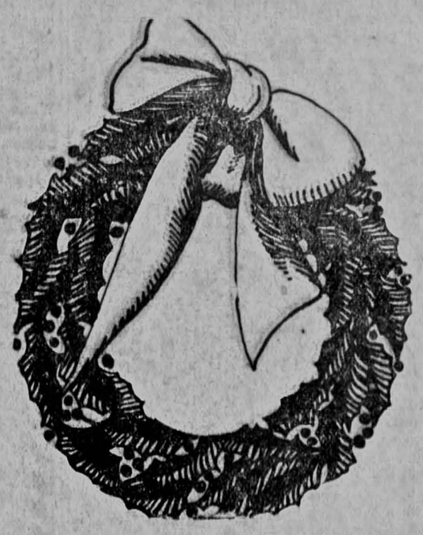

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Runners-Up Add to Brilliance of 1928 Sports Year

Winners Often Took Honors by Narrow Margins

By ALAN J. GOULD
(Associated Press Sports Editor)

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (AP)—Before the old year runs its course, something should be said on behalf of a few of the gallant efforts that fell a trifle short of the main mark. It's the ancient custom to hail the winner. Often the runner-up was just a shade or two short of the top but he usually is consigned to oblivion.

Golf has an exception in Bobby Jones, a headliner as winner or runner-up, but can you remember Roland Hacock? He came within a stroke of tying Jones and Johnny Farrell for the open championship last June at Olympia fields. In fact the young North Carolina professional had the title in his grasp with only two holes to go, only to waver and fall short as the big crowd and the strain affected him at the same time.

Eight inches or less separated Ray Barbuti from Jimmy Ball of Canada in the Olympic 400-meter final, with all moving faster at the finish, but this thin margin was the difference between one great triumph for the U.S.A. and a complete shutout on the track at Amsterdam.

Columbia's great varsity crew, champions of 1927, joined the runners-up in the background this year, while the victor's spoils went to California. Yet there was only a three-quarter length margin between the two shells after a heart-breaking, as well as record-breaking pull at Poughkeepsie.

The pro golf firmament may get a surprise in 1929 from young Horton Smith, Missouri star. He already has furnished one as a parting shot for 1928 in capturing the Avalon tournament on the Pacific coast from Walter Hagen and a flock of other aces.

Smith seems headed for the main championship flight. He was 13 strokes back of Farrell and Jones at the windup of the national open at Chicago last June but he reached the semi-finals of the P.G.A. tournament later at Baltimore. He was one of Al Espinosa's victims in that event but displayed his mettle by staging a come-back that almost overhauled his rival in the afternoon round.

Horton Smith, Junior Coen, Frank Wykoff, Red Cagle and Paavo Nurmi are a few of the stars of sport who will be closely watched as they carry the 1928 campaign over into 1929.

Missouri also has a bright tennis prospect in Coen, protege of Big Bill Tilden and perhaps the outstanding youngster developed in American tennis ranks since Vincent Richards.

Wykoff was the sprint sensation at home last summer. Youth and inexperience kept him from Olympic heights, but experienced coaches expect him to develop into a world's champion.

Cagle, after three great years at West Point, will be back for a last fling at the gridiron, as captain of the 1929 Army array and with an all-American reputation to uphold.

Nurmi again is the main figure on an American indoor track season after a three year interval. The phantom Finn returns with only one of his old rivals, Willie Ritola, apparently ready to renew the foot-racing argument. Of the runners who looked at Paavo's flying heels in his first American indoor race in 1925, Lloyd Hahn has withdrawn from competition for the winter, Joie Ray has turned pro while Jimmy Connolly and Walter Higgins are out of the picture.

French Celebrate Christmas Eve in Family Gatherings

PARIS, Dec. 24 (AP)—France celebrated the "reveillon" or Christmas eve festivity tonight with traditional gaiety.

In the great restaurants and cafes of the cities and in the homes, great and humble, oysters and fish, "Boudin" sausage and white wine helped to usher in Christmas day. It was a night of family gatherings and merriment.

By far the larger number of celebrations were in the homes, for New Year's eve next week calls for another and more expensive reveillon and the cautious holder of the purse strings made tonight's affair as simple as possible.

Members of the American and British colonies joined widely in the festivities and hundreds of typical American Christmas eve parties.

Illinois A.C. Softens

CHICAGO, Dec. 24 (AP)—Even the Illinois State Athletic commission has caught the Christmas spirit. Waiving aside its usual iron-clad ruling, which compels a boxer to appear in the city of his next match four days previous, the commission allowed Joe Sekyra, Dayton, O., heavyweight, permission to remain home over Christmas day. Sekyra meets "Cuban Bobby" Brown at the coliseum Friday night.

Man Gets New Relatives

DANSVILLE, N. Y., Dec. 24 (AP)—Becoming a grandfather and great-grandfather today was the good fortune of C. E. Green of this village. The grandson is Jacob Albert Green, son of George H. Green of New York city, while the great-grand-daughter is Miss Barbara Jane McNeil, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold E. McNeil of San Diego, Cal.

Open Christmas for Iowa

DES MOINES, Dec. 24 (AP) — The prophecy of the United States weather bureau that Iowa would not have a white Christmas this year was reaffirmed today. Although slightly colder weather was expected in the west and central portions of Iowa the forecast indicated there would be little variation below 32 degrees above zero, the lowest temperature due tonight.

Farrell Opens 1929 Campaign for Open Championship Title

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (AP)—Johnny Farrell's 1929 golfing campaign which he hopes will carry him to his second consecutive national open championship gets under way Friday when he is to start south for a winter of instructing and occasional tournament playing, he said today.

His first tournament appearance in Florida will be in the Miami open, Jan. 4 and 5, and he plans to play in most of the other major professional and open tournaments in the state in the next three months.

For the second year Johnny will serve as professional at St. Augustine with his brother, Jimmy.

TILLIE THE TOILER—Greetings! by Russ Westover

Daytona Beach Chosen for New Speed Trials

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — The perfect sands of Daytona Beach, which have served as a speed course for the world's fastest racing cars, will be the scene of the international speed trials of Major H. O. D. Segrave, who hopes to set a new record of 240 miles an hour in March.

William F. Sturm, American manager of Major Segrave, chose the Daytona Beach course as the site of the British speed ace's trials, after considering conditions at Ormand, Jacksonville and the Island of Sapaloe off the coast of Georgia.

The question of advisability of permitting the public to witness the speed trials came up for discussion again, and decision was made in favor of the racing enthusiast.

"We enjoy having the public attend speed trials of this kind. If we could be assured that they would not in any way be endangered during the fast runs," Mr. Sturm said. "It is both difficult and expensive to set up a course which will guard the public against accident. High speed trials of this nature are really laboratory experiments and the best results can only be obtained when we can provide perfect conditions."

Every effort will be made to lay out a course with full protection for the public, officials in charge of the plans say.

The Daytona Beach straightaway, one of the most beautiful sand beaches in the world, has been the scene of every important world speed record an hour in a motor vehicle.

Barney Oldfield set the world on fire in 1910 by flashing down this beach at the rate of 131 miles an hour. Since that day, Burman, Decord since man exceeded 125 miles Palma, Milton, Segrave, Campbell, and Ray Keech have broken that world mark in rapid succession.

Keech, young Philadelphia speed demon, gave the world its latest mark to shoot at when he made his dash down the beach at 207.552 miles an hour. It is this record which Major Segrave hopes to break, so that the world honors may be returned to Great Britain.

Major Segrave was the first man to exceed 200 miles an hour in a racing creation, setting a new world record in March of last year at 203 miles an hour. His new machine the "Golden Arrow," is now under construction in Great Britain. It will be completed next month and brought to America early in February.

French, Supreme in Tennis, Add Ring, Marathon Titles

These men gave France a "Big Three" in sports in 1928 and brought new laurels to their country.

PARIS, (AP)—Undisputed world's supremacy in tennis, a world's championship in boxing, and a world's record on the cinder path with the Olympic marathon laurel wreath thrown in for good measure made 1928 a highly successful year for French athletics.

The Davis Cup, the singles championships of Australia, France, Great Britain and the United States, all in possession of France, testify the the three musketeers—Henri Cochet, Rene Lacoste and Jean Borotra—ruled the tennis courts of the world during the past year with a hand as steady as the year before when they wrested the cup from the United States. This has been a Cochet year, all the experts and officials in the tennis world granting the former Lyons ball boy the No. 1 place in world ranking.

Andre Routis' victory over Tony Cahzoneri in New York brought to France the official featherweight title of the world. Furthermore, French boxing fans felt that Emile "Spider" ranks near the top of the world's flyweights by virtue of his victory here over Corporal Izzy Schwartz in a bout which did not involve the "title" the latter claims through gift of the New York State Athletic commission.

"Sera" Martin's world record of 1:50 3-5 for the 800 meters set last June, clipping a full second from that held by Dr. Otto Peltzer of Germany, and El Ouafi's victory in the Olympic Marathon proved to be France's only performances worthy of international notice in the field of Olympic athletics.

The year saw a break in Rene Lacoste's two-year reign over the tennis world as Henri Cochet became the new king. Cochet started with a decisive victory in four sets over Lacoste in the French hard court championship, suffered a lapse at Wimbledon where Rene reversed the result and recovered top form in his straight sets overthrow of Tilden after the latter had defeated Lacoste in the Davis Cup challenge round. Cochet topped it off by capturing the American championship from Frank Hunter.

Cochet's Davis Cup victory over Tilden at Auteuil provided probably the best tennis ever witnessed in France or anywhere else. Cochet was the personification of tennis genius on that July day. The wizardry of stroking displayed by Cochet in the second set when he tied and finally won it after Tilden had led him, five-two, left the spectators gasping.

The end of the year found Cochet reigning as champion of France and the United States; Lacoste as champion of England, and Borotra as Australian titleholder.

Mlle. Manette Le Blan kept France in the running in golf by carrying off the English women's championship while all of the country's own open championship, for both men and women, were won by foreigners.

France found superiority in an unexpected quarter during the year through the surprising rise of Pierre Etchabaster in court tennis. This Basque newcomer overthrew both George F. Covey of England and Jack Soutar of Philadelphia to win the world's and American championships respectively.

Golden Tornado Eases Down to Serious Practice

PASADENA, Cal., Dec. 24 (AP)—With the grand reception over and the first thrill of arrival subsided, Georgia Tech's football team, eastern representative in the New Year's day gridiron classic, turned today to the more serious business of preparing for the battle with California's Golden Bears.

It was a warm day on which the southerners turned out for their initial workout. After they had been given their first view of Pasadena by sunlight, Coach Bill Alexander jumped the Yellowjackets into their pigskin apparel for a practice session in the rose bowl to remove the kinks and cricks of the long train ride from the south. The drill was nothing more than an exercise.

Alexander pronounced his men in fine physical shape and discounted reports that "flu" and other ailments were prevalent in the squad.

The Tech mentor plans to continue light work over tomorrow, jumping to scrimmage probably Wednesday. After today the southerners will work out at Patterson Field, Eagle Rock, Cal.

California's two workouts a day still were in effect today. Coach Nibs Price and his Bears descended upon Tournament park this morning and again in the afternoon. The work of polishing up the westerners continued through both sessions. Price indicated that his charges are approaching fine form. Odds still favored California's Bears today to uphold western supremacy in the east-west clash.

Tommy Loughran Worthiest Champ, Say Sports Seers

Makes 596 Points Out of Possible 600; Sharkey High

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (AP)—The worthiest champions of them all in the boxing world are Tommy Loughran and Sammy Mandell, in the light of the final ranking of leaders of the various weight divisions for 1928, published today by the New York Sun.

Loughran not only heads his own light heavyweight kingdom by a good margin in the Sun's concensus, compiled each year from the votes of 60 newspaper boxing writers in various cities, but his name also tops the leaders in the other classes in the points which reflect favor of the critics.

The boxing Adonis from Philadel-

The boxing adonis from Philadelphia tallied 596 points out of a possible 600, ten points being awarded for each first place rating. Next in line is Sammy Mandell, lightweight champion, with 591, while Mickey Walker, middleweight king, is third with 586. Next came Tod Morgan, junior lightweight; Izzy Schwartz, flyweight; Jimmy McLarnin, junior welterweight; Jackie Fields, welterweight; Jack Sharkey, heavyweight; Fidel La Barba, bantamweight; and Benny Bass, featherweight.

In the list of ten, three champions were overthrown by the concensus. Andre Routis, featherweight titleholder, running second to Bass; Mushy Callahan being superseded by McLarnin among the junior welterweights, and the inactive Joe Dundee being crowded off the top of the welterweight division by Jackie Fields of Los Angeles.

Sharkey Leads Heavies

Sharkey rolled up the highest point total among the heavyweights, although Jack Dempsey had the most votes for first and second places.

A showing comparable to that of Loughran in impressiveness was made by Mandell, cat-like champion of the 135-pounders, as he had a longer land over the No. 2 man in his division than any other leaders enjoyed, Joe Glick being second but far behind. Loughran had the next biggest margin with Leo Lomski rated as second best in the light heavyweight class.

Alabamans Bury Hatchet

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 24 (AP)—Athletic relations between Alabama's two largest colleges, broken 21 years ago because of intense rivalry between the student bodies, will be partially resumed New Year's day when alumni football teams of Alabama university and Alabama Polytechnic institute meet here. The game will be for charity.

Vilda M. Barker, '21 of Osage, is living at 1011 Stillwell Boulevard, Port Arthur, Tex.

Helen Beaty, '27 of Sioux City, is living at 305 W. Main street, Marshalltown.

Rio's Own Jimmy

Every bit as likeable as New York's own Jimmy Walker is Antonio Prado (above), the debonair mayor of beautiful Rio de Janerio, who was one of the official welcomers of President-elect Herbert Hoover and his party of "good willers."

Michigan Daily Compiles All-American From Choice of Many Sport Writers

(From The Michigan Daily)

As the sport authorities have completed their annual task of choosing all-American teams, it is appropriate to make a survey of their choices and draw up a composite all-star aggregation with these as a basis. In this way the opinions of men who have seen practically every player of repute in the country in action are given weight, and the resulting team is more likely to be representative of true merit and ability.

Cagle Unanimous Choice

In choosing this composite team, he mythical elevens of 13 sport rities throughout the country were onsidered. Following the method mployed in selecting the all-conference team recently in The Daily, ive points are awarded a player for place on an all-American first eam, three points for a second team osition, and one point for a third eam place.

Christian Cagle, Army's shifty allback, was the only unanimous hoice of the sport scribes, thereby aining the maximum 65 points. Strong of New York U. was close behind with 61 points, while Harpster of Carnegie Tech was third, arning 57 points. There was more manimity of opinion regarding the backs than the linemen, as the udgment of the respective forwards vas quite divergent. Otto Pommerning, Michigan's great tackle, was well regarded by the critics, only the selection failing to mention him.

Compiled From Many Sources

The authorities from whose selections the mythical team was compiled are Grantland Rice, Walter Eckersall, John W. Heisman, Davis J. Walsh, Lou Little, Red Grange, the Associated Press, the United Press, Newspaper Enterprise association, North American Newspaper Alliance, Warner-Rockne-Jones, The New York Sun, and College Humor.

The three all-American teams and points received by each player follow:

First Team

LE—Fesler (Ohio State)	44
LT—Pommerening (Michigan)	52
LG—Betto (Pittsburgh)	37
C —Pund (Georgia Tech)	43
RG—Post (Stanford)	43
RT—Nowack (Illinois)	39
RE—Haycraft (Minnesota)	34
QB—Harpster (Carnegie Tech)	57
LH—Cagle (Army)	65
RH—Strong (New York U.)	61
FB—Scull (Pennsylvania)	45

Second Team

LE—Van Sickle (Florida)	22
LT—Miller (Notre Dame)	17
LG—Gibson (Minnesota)	25
C —Howe (Princeton)	28
RG—McMullen (Nebraska)	24
RT—Hibbs (Southern California)	20
RE—Phillips (California)	29
QB—Maple (Oregon State)	11
LH—Hoffman (Stanford)	12
RH—Mizel (Georgia Tech)	39
FB—Carroll (Washington)	39

Third Team

LE—Lawlor (Princeton	16
LT—Lassman (New York U.)	13
LG—Robesky (Stanford)	18
C —Barrager (Southern California	9
RG—Burke (Navy)	16
RT—Douds (W. & J.)	12
RE—Rosenweig (Carnegie Tech)	18
QB—Hovde (Minnesota)	9
LH—Brazil (Detroit)	8
RH—Crabtree (Florida)	9
FB—Holmer (Northwestern)	8

Inmates of State Institutions Stage Christmas Parties

DES MOINES, Dec. 24 (AP)—*Christmas parties extending for a full week were in full swing at all state charitable and penal institutions tonight with a big Christmas dinner promised by the state board of control.*

Nearly all of the holiday entertainment at the state institutions take the form of plays, minstrel shows and motion pictures. Annual dances are held also at all state hospitals.

Chicken will be the piece de resistence on the menus of nearly all the institutions, but goose will be served at such institutions as had the foresight to raise the birds on the state farms connected with such buildings. All of the trimmings customary for the holiday season will be added to the menu.

A former actor at one of the state penal institutions is taking a prominent part in staging a minstrel show. At some state hospitals the nurses make the rounds of the wards singing Christmas carols. There is no restriction at Christmas time in the receipt of gifts by inmates from their relatives and friends. In some of the children's institutions gifts are provided by the state board of control. Each child, in addition, receives a Christmas stocking filled with candy, nuts and fruit.

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William Thomas, 40-Year Resident of Iowa City, Dies

Funeral for Prominent Hardware Merchant Tomorrow

William S. Thomas, 68 years old, resident of Iowa City for the last 40 years, died at his home, 109 S. Johnson street, at 1 p.m. Sunday. Death was due to a lingering illness caused by heart disease.

Funeral service will be held Wednesday at Beckman's funeral home at 3 p.m. The Rev. Ira J. Houston will officiate, and burial will be in Oakland cemetery.

Mr. Thomas had been in poor health for the last 15 years, although he had been more or less active in business. He was feeling better than usual Sunday morning and the death came as a surprise to the family.

He had been in the hardware business here for 40 years. His start came with the firm of Lichty and Thomas, which he later bought out and operated until poor health forced him to retire.

Mr. Thomas was born on a farm near Keokuk in 1860, and came to Iowa City when 20 years old. He married Carrie May Close of Iowa City in 1890.

He is survived by his wife and two sons, Harold of San Francisco, and William S. Thomas, jr., of Minneapolis.

Mr. Thomas was a charter member of the Young Men's business association, now the chamber of commerce, and at one time was president of the school board.

County Attorney Issues Papers of Condemnation

Papers of condemnation were issued yesterday from the office of the county attorney against owners of the premises where gambling devices were found in the raid here Thursday night.

Criminal action will be made soon against owners of the establishments at which the slot machines, punch boards and other devices were found, County Attorney C. B. Russell stated.

The raid which was led by A. E. Nugent and F. D. Neiman of the state bureau of investigation, assisted by a squad of local police and county officers, involved nine billiard halls and cigar stores in Iowa City.

Iowa Assemblyman Wants to Protect Bank Draft Buyers

EAGLE GROVE, Dec. 24 (AP)—Representative S. A. Barnes of Wright county favors an amendment to the state banking laws that will make a purchaser of a bank draft a preferred creditor in the event of bank failure.

Under the interpretations of the courts, the holder of a bank draft for collection is deemed a holder of a bill of sale and cannot recover one cent until depositors are paid in full. In many cases of bank failure, this means that the draft purchasers recover nothing, according to Mr. Barnes.

Legislation favored by Mr. Barnes includes the following new bills or amendments:

A railroad crossing stop law; a taxpayers' qualification law making only a taxpayer eligible to vote on bonding propositions; banking law amendments giving greater security to depositors and more protection to banks.

Mr. Barnes declares he will oppose any attempt to increase the state gasoline tax for secondary road purposes and all capital expenditures by the state "while agriculture remains in its present deflated state;" any increase in general appropriations. He further states he is opposed to a state income tax and the creation of a tax commission, and the creation of a county assessor.

Solon Woman Dies at Wanning Home; 5 Daughters Here

Mrs. Josephine Maresh, 78 years old, died yesterday afternoon at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Vincent Wanning of Iowa City. She has been ill for several weeks, since coming to the Wanning home for a visit.

She made her home in Solon, having lived there nearly her entire life.

Surviving her are: one son, Frank, residing near Solon; and six daughters, Mrs. Joseph Wonik of Newport, Mrs. Anna Hemstead, Mrs. John Campion, Mrs. Joseph Kanak, Mrs. Louis Shebetka and Mrs. Wanning of Iowa City.

Omaha Man Burns to Death; Started Fire With Gasoline

OMAHA, Dec. 24 (AP)—William H. Clark, 48 years old, who this morning raced through his home sheathed in flames seeking an exit following the explosion of gasoline used in starting a fire, died late today of burns.

Clark dashed from door to windows and back again attempting to get outside. He carried the fire from room to room with two of his children clinging to his legs and his wife tugging at him. Mrs. Clark and another son, Teddy, 6 years old, were slightly burned in breaking open a bolted door to get Clark outside where he was felled by a blow on the chin from a neighbor, before his mad dash could be halted and the fire extinguished.

Lives in Solitary Grandeur

Impressive entrance to apartment house at 1060 Fifth avenue, New York, in which rich Mr. Markle's amazing retreat is located. Inset, the 70-year-old anthracite king.

(By International Illustrated News)

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—You can write down Mr. John Markle as one who craves solitude in the same degree that Robinson Crusoe didn't.

He is the anthracite king of America, is Mr. Markle. A benign, elderly man in horn rimmed glasses, he started out a poor boy in the "breakers" and wound up a multi-millionaire. But nothing he ever did got him quite so much attention as the simple act of "taking an apartment" recently at Fifth avenue and Eighty-seventh street. For—

When he took over the occupancy of his new abode, the rich and fastidious widower became the owner of the world's largest single apartment—an expansive reatreat of 45 rooms, winding corridors and one of the best views in New York! The cost was put at more than a million dollars.

Wants Only to Be Alone

With neither chick nor child to enjoy the luxury with him, this modern antithesis of Robinson Crusoe apparently wishes only to be alone in the autumn of his life; alone, that is, except for the art treasures which formerly were kept in the old Markle apartment which boasted a "paltry" 30 rooms and hardly any view at all. To serve him and keep the place in order will require something like an even dozen maids, pantrymen, butlers, etc., the rooms for whom are equally divided in the two wings of the apartment. Indeed so rambling is the huge one-man home that it is conceivable that these domestics may go days without encountering at least one or more of their fellows:

Among other things the largest apartment house boasts:

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A black and white marble staircase which set Mr. Markle back $75,000; an art gallery, two libraries, antique paneling of all master rooms; a private exchange with 26 extension phones, and furniture of French and English design especially imported for the anthracite king.

These facts are available only through the dealers who had to do with furnishing the biggest apartment, for Mr. Markle hates publicity worse than a walking delegate. So the why behind the 70-year-old widower's decision to go in for solitary grandeur in a big way probably never will be known. Which is, perhaps, as it should be.

Rolfe Farmer Dies

Frank Jarvis, 57 years old, a farmer living near Rolfe, died here Sunday night following a short illness. The body was sent from the Oathout funeral home last night to Rolfe where the funeral will be held.

THEATENED BY COP, WIFE SUES

Mrs. Lillian Thimm, who sues Paul Thimm, Chicago policeman, for divorce, charging that he twirled a pistol on his finger and told her that a crime was gonig to be committed unless she left the house. Mrs. Thimm is pictured with her son.

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Kiwanian Leader Completes Term

Nyle W. Jones Takes Lead of Group Monday

Prof. A. O. Thomas presided at the Kiwanis club luncheon yesterday, for the fifty-second time, having made a perfect record during his term as president during the last year. The new president, Nyle W. Jones, received the gavel from Professor Thomas, who briefly reviewed the year just closing and thanked the committees for their work in making the year a success.

Mr. Jones gave a short talk in which he accepted the office, and outlined plans for the club's activities during 1929.

Group singing led by Dr. L. G. Lawyer with Prof. P. G. Clapp at the piano made up the main part of the program.

Henry G. Walker outlined the plan which has been made for distribution of gifts to several Iowa City families today.

Secretary Cliff L. Palmer reported for the underprivileged child committee, which is assisting with the Christmas work also. Adequate provisions have been made in caring for the Kiwanian twins and purchases have been made for several patients at Oakdale.

Visitors at the luncheon yesterday were Eli J. Bennett of Hagerman Idaho, with Prof. F. C. Ensign; and Augie Schmidt, Lincoln, Neb., and Hugo Schultz, Newton, with Wilbur D. Cannon.

Officials Register 3,601 Automobiles

Officials in the automobiles registration department of the Johnson county treasurer's office have registered 3,601 automobiles and 346 trucks since starting to issue the new licenses.

They predict a busy time ahead as there are still many persons who have not yet purchased the new 1929 plates and every car being operated on highways must bear the new license number after Jan. 1.

Any person driving a car not properly licensed after Jan. 1 is subject to arrest. A car standing in a garage all the time need not be licensed until May 1, but the owner must pay a fee of $1 a month for each month delay after Jan. 1.

News About Town

Land Bank Sues

A suit to collect $21,050, alleged to be due on a note, has been filed in the office of clerk of courts here by the Lincoln Joint Stock Land bank of Lincoln, Neb. Effie A. Hunt and Johnny Harley Hunt are named as defendants. The plaintiff alleges that the defendants gave their note for $19,000 Sept. 1, 1926, and that it is past due, together with interest.

North Liberty Woman Dies

Mrs. Sarah Meyers, 80 years old, died yesterday afternoon at 2:30 at her home in North Liberty, after a week's illness. She is survived by her daughter, Mrs. Martin Solon, and a son, Glen Meyers, both of North Liberty. Burial will be in North Liberty.

Lights Arrested; Booze Charge

Guy Lights of Iowa City, arrested yesterday morning by local police on a charge of bootlegging contained in information sworn out by an unknown Iowa City resident, was released after furnishing a $1,000 bond. His hearing is to be today.

Married Half Century

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Stevens, Marengo couple who have been married nearly half a century, will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary at there home in Marengo tomorrow.

New York Police Nab 183 Criminals in Week-End Drive

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (AP)—The New York police department today made the city a Christmas present of one of the most elaborate assortment of criminals ever rounded up in Father Knickerbocker's little colony of 6,000,000 souls.

One hundred eighty-three prisoners, collected in a week-end drive by the police under the spur of their new commissioner, Grover A. Whalen, appeared at headquarters today for inspection by 500 detectives.

The throng of suspects included holdup men, speak-easy proprietors; bootleggers and burglars; and when each had had his turn on the little platform in the headquarters gymnasium, the entire band was hustled off to magistrate courts for arraignment on various charges.

Inspection and questioning of the suspects by the detectives revealed that many had records, and in most cases these were held without bail over the holiday.

Pownall Funeral Yesterday

Funeral services for I. D. Pownall, West Branch resident who died in a hospital here Saturday morning, were held yesterday at 2 p.m. at the Methodist church in West Branch.

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