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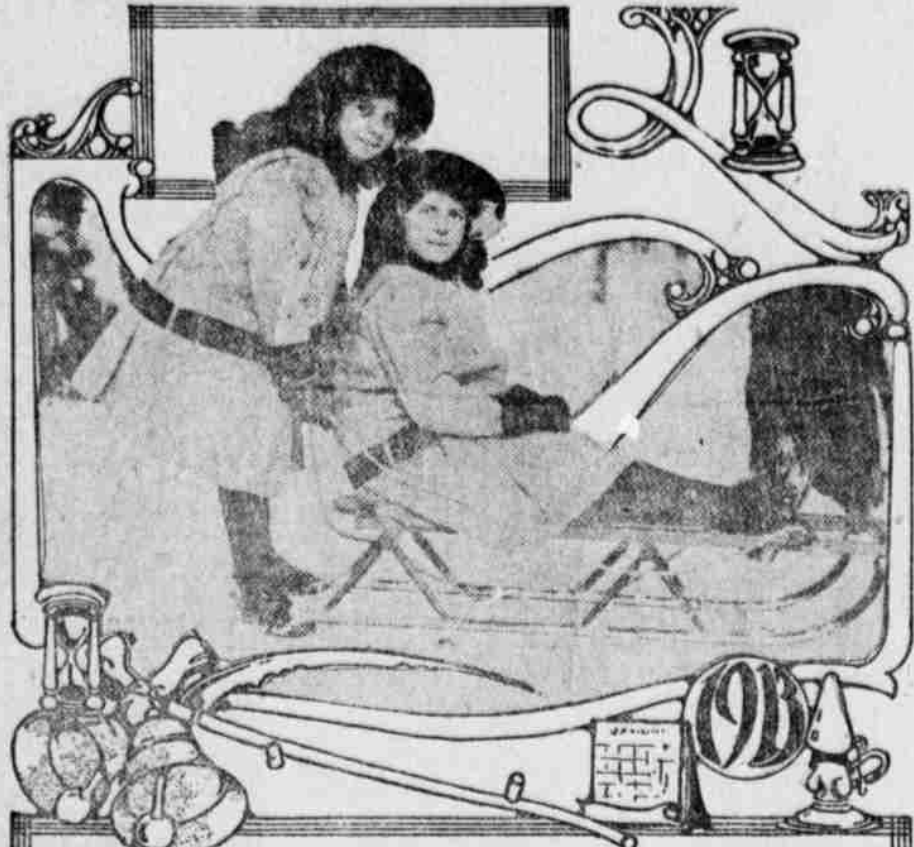
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NEW YEAR'S GOOD ENOUGH FOR ME.



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SOME people think that New Year's day should come in April or in May. When hill-sides start to show green and Nature oils her old machine—Her vegetation factory—For one more spin; but, as for me, No April New Year's day in mine. Old January suits me fine.

A New Year starting out so late Would get spring fever sure as fate And then, with summer coming on, Would be prostrated by the sun. A year requires a robust frame, Considering the kind of game It's up against; it stands enough To need a constitution tough.

A year that started in the spring Would be a poor and puny thing, A mollycoddle so effete It couldn't bear the summer heat; Would get frost-bitten in the fall And wouldn't stand a chance at all When winter struck it; by which sign I choose the winter kid for mine.

Yet even this is not the worst. Consider how each year is cursed By human deeds—the woes of Time—By fraud and lies, by war and crime. The odium men make it wear Demands a fiber to upbear That is not bred by April showers And does not rhyme with buds and flowers.

The folks that want to change the date Of New Year's have a grudge at fate. They would complain and raise a din In heaven if they should get in. They cuss the weather and asperse The workings of the universe, And they agree on but one point, Which is that things are out of joint.

The year that's born in frost and snow Will have some ginger, snap and go; Will have the courage and the zest To bear the worst fate with the best; Will have the stamina, in short, To smile at hardships like a sport. The turn of winter suits me fine. The January kid for mine!



THE NEW CHAMPION

THE old year was a heavyweight Who battled in the ring Of all the sluggers in the game He proved himself the king. He won a million, more or less, A diamond belt or so, And never found a man to stand Before his mighty blow.

AT last a youthful stranger came And challenged him on a night. His referee was Father Time. His boxing gloves were white. He quickly stepped within the ropes And in a single bout, While yet the clocks were striking twelve, He knocked the old year out. —Mimes living in New York American

ANNUAL REPORT ST. JOSEPH HOSPITAL

Splendid Showing in Number of Patients Received and Cared for During the Year Just Closing

BUILDING FUND FAIR

The Herald is pleased to receive the following report for publication. We are sure our many readers will be interested in it:

Knowing that many of our community are not aware of the work in relief of poor sufferers that is being done at St. Joseph's Hospital, on the corner of Eleventh street and Tolmie avenue of this city, we take pleasure in making known to the generous citizens of Alliance and surrounding country that the good work which they did in assisting the late Rev. Wm. McNamara to found this institution is proving a great blessing to all who have recourse to it.

The records of the past year show that patients cared for numbered more than three times those of the preceding year. Since January first nineteen twelve, one hundred eighty operations, some hundred seventy-eight of which were successful, and fifty-six medical cases have been cared for. There were seven deaths at the hospital, two of which resulted from cancer, one typhoid, one tuberculosis, one appendicitis, one Bright's disease, one abscess of the liver.

St. Joseph's Hospital was erected about three years ago and has been, through the untiring efforts of the doctors and nurses in charge, a most successful undertaking, as the many who have sought and found relief under their care can testify.

We wish to extend most sincere thanks to the clergy of different religious denominations for their speedy responses to calls, at any and all times, to minister to patients who desire their spiritual aid. In connection we beg to say that they are welcome to come at any time to see those of their creed.

Certainly, the doctors of Alliance who have aided patients with us have shown the most noble spirit of self-sacrifice to charity patients, just the same as to those of whose fees they were sure—by promptly responding to our calls at any time of

the day or night. God has certainly rewarded their charity by blessing their effort on the part of poor sufferers by the unexpected recovery of many a seemingly hopeless case.

Our next word of thanks shall be for the assistance received from the city of Alliance. Through the mediation of our Honorable Mayor and City Councilmen, we have our water free of charge.

To the business men of the city of Alliance, we are highly indebted for most courteous treatment in every respect.

The charity patients attended to at the hospital during 1912 were 35. They had to be limited in the past owing to lack of accommodation, so now, in order that we need not refuse admission to any one and do all in our power for our suffering brethren in and around the city of Alliance, we make an appeal to the good people of this section of the country to assist us in erecting a commodious, and in every respect up to date hospital, facing Big Horn avenue, that will be a credit to the city. In order to get a fund started for this purpose some of the benevolent ladies of Alliance have organized a committee to make preparation for a fair, the proceeds of which is to go to the hospital.

This fair will be held after Easter and we sincerely trust our good citizens will assist these ladies in making it a success.

HOME FOR CHRISTMAS
A joyful family reunion was held at the home of U. N. Hoag on Christmas day. There were there the several members of the Hoag family residing in Alliance. From out of town were Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Mann, of Bridgeport. Mrs. Mann was formerly Miss Lydia Hoag. Also Miss Josephine Hoag of Beatrice and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Zink, of Spearfish, S. D., close friends of the family.

FAMILY REUNION
A Christmas house party, in the nature of a family reunion was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Lester, the guests being Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Carroll, parents of Mrs. Lester, and Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Carroll and son of Harrison and Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Carroll and son of Harrison. W. E. and W. L. Carroll are sons of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Carroll. They arrived with their wives and boys on Tuesday and will remain until tomorrow or Saturday. It is needless to say that the reunion has been very much enjoyed by all parties.

SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL BURNED SAME DAY AS ALLIANCE SCHOOL
Wm. Parker Writes that School at Springfield, Missouri, Where He is Now Located Burned under Similar Circumstances

County Treasurer E. M. Martin has received a letter from Wm. Parker, formerly proprietor of the Bee Hive in Alliance, and who still owns property here, stating that he had read of the fire at Alliance which burned the Central school building and that the largest school building in Springfield burned to the ground the same day.

Mr. Parker sent greetings to many of his friends and urged that the new court house be built as soon as possible.

BAKER-EATON
Miss Emma C. E. Baker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Baker of this city, and Mr. Lewis D. Eaton of Torrington, Wyoming, were united in holy bonds of matrimony at eight p. m., December 25th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Bogue.

Mr. Eaton is the proprietor of a fine ranch nine and one-half miles from Torrington, and decided to share the blessings of ranch life as well as the ranch itself with one of the fairer sex. Mr. and Mrs. Eaton will leave for their ranch after spending a few days with relatives and friends here.

Those in attendance were Mrs. F. M. Baker, mother of the bride; Mr. Albert Baker, brother to the bride; Mr. Jack Eaton, brother to the groom; Miss Breneman; Mrs. Witte and Mr. and Mrs. Bogue. On account of illness Mr. F. M. Baker was not in attendance.

Rev. Witte of the Baptist church officiated using the ring ceremony. Following the ceremony, the newly-weds and their guests repaired to the dining room, where they seated themselves about a beautifully decorated table and enjoyed a very pleasant repast.

It is the wish of their many friends and relatives that a long, happy and prosperous life may be their lot.

DEATH OF VETERAN

John Andrew Kinney, Father of Mrs. Thomas Rock, Passed to the Great Beyond Last Sunday Afternoon

Peaceful as the Sabbath day on which he took his departure from the scenes of this world, the spirit of John Andrew Kinney passed into the great hereafter. He was born in Green county, Kentucky, January 24, 1840; died in St. Joseph's Hospital, Alliance, Nebraska, Sunday afternoon, December 22, 1912, the cause of his demise being pneumonia fever.

The deceased was one of a family of ten children, seven boys and three girls. He is survived by three brothers, Jess, Thomas and David Kinney, and by the following named six children, three sons and three daughters: Charles, John and Fred Kinney; Mrs. F. Emmitt of Pana, Ill.; Mrs. S. E. Kirkman of Sheridan, Wyo.; and Mrs. Thos. Rock of this city.

In 1875 he was married at Lebanon, Mo., to Miss Martha Ann Emerson of Nashville, Tenn. To them were born ten children, four of whom passed on before, as did also his wife on May 10, 1902.

August 21, 1862, he enlisted in Company B, Ninth Regiment of Kentucky Cavalry, and served in the Union army until receiving an honorable discharge, in 1863. He came to Nebraska in May, 1910. During most of the time since that date he has made his home with his daughter, Mrs. Thos. Rock. He formerly resided with his son, John Kinney of Cleveland, Okla.

Mr. Kinney joined the New Hope Baptist church at Lebanon, Mo., in 1893. The funeral service was held Monday afternoon of this week from the residence of his daughter on Box Butte avenue, conducted by Rev. Witte, pastor of the Baptist church, interment being in Greenwood cemetery.

FUNERAL MONDAY AFTERNOON

TYSON-HUGHES
On the eve of December 24th, Miss Mayme P. Tyson of Alliance and Mr. Herbert H. Hughes of Laurel, Montana, were quietly united in marriage in the parlor of the Baptist parsonage. For a short time they will visit with relatives and friends in Alliance and Mannville, Wyoming, after which they will go to make their home in Laurel, Montana, where Mr. Hughes is employed. Relatives and friends with them a long and happy life.

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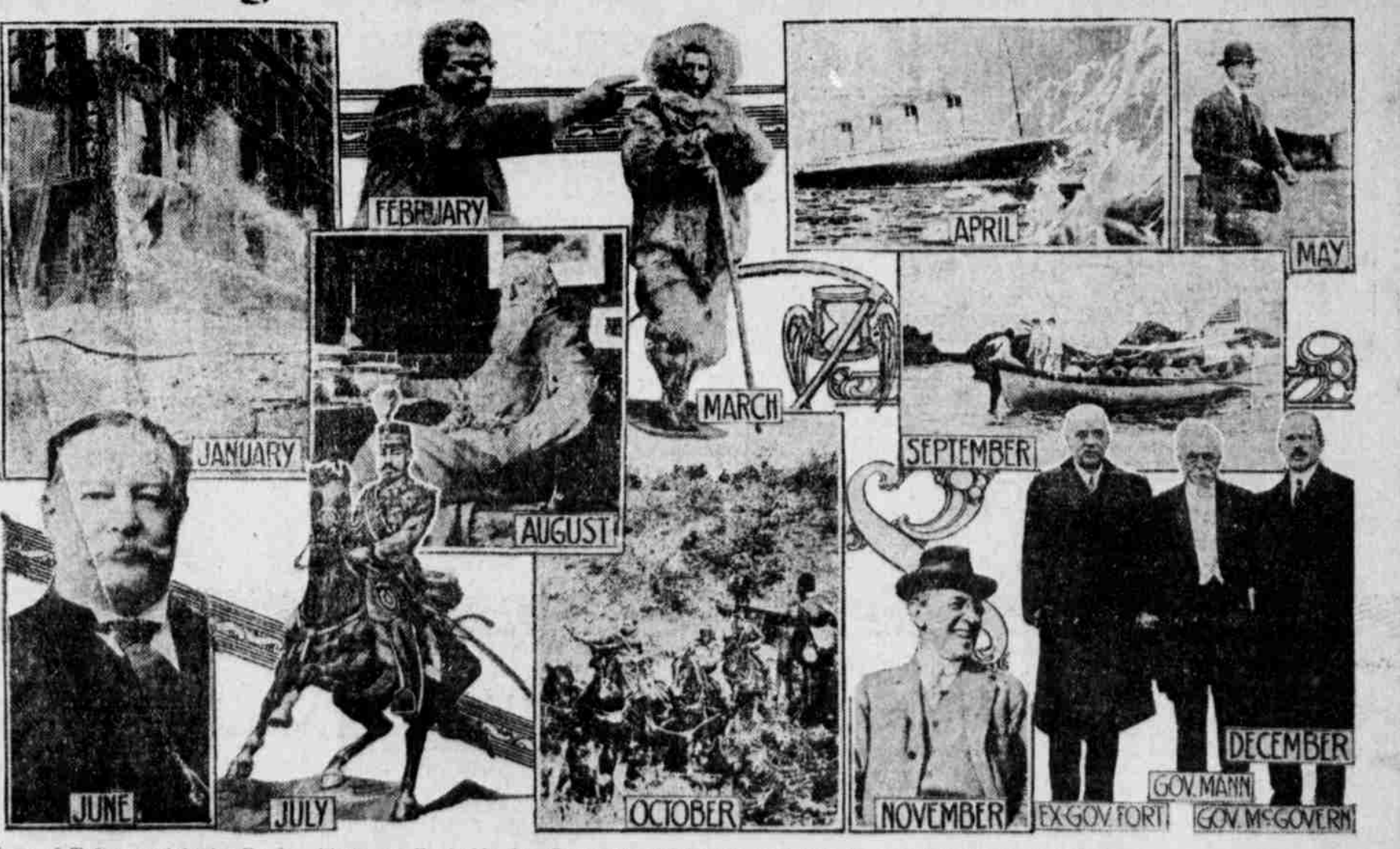


Photo of Taft copyright by Purdy. Photos of Equitable fire, Roosevelt and Wilson copyright by American Press Association. In January the \$15,000,000 Equitable building in New York was burned down. Roosevelt threw his "hat in the ring" in February. Roald Amundsen announced the discovery of the south pole in March. April witnessed the Titanic disaster. Wilbur Wright, the pioneer of aviation, died in May. Taft was re-nominated in June. In July the mikado of Japan died, and the following month was marked by the death of William Booth in London. America was forced to send troops to quell a Nicaraguan revolt in September. The opening engagement of the Balkan war took place in October. November saw the reelection of Wilson, and the house of governors met in Richmond, Va., in December.