

# Today

Also an Empire.  
Good Fliers—Bad Machines.  
Burying a Family.  
Segregate Your Hens.  
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Within a short time, says C. D. Burney, aviation expert and member of the British parliament, the farthest point of the British empire will be within 24 hours of London by flying machine.

It is the intention of Britain to draw close together all parts of the empire with an adequate flying fleet, and to do it as quickly as possible.

Uncle Sam, please take notice. This is an empire. It is as far from the south end of Florida to the north end of Alaska, and from Bar Harbor, Me., to San Diego? Americans will please notice these words by Commander Burney, M. P.

"The whole prestige of Great Britain has hitherto been maintained by implicit public belief in the world's supremacy in aviation, every hope that this belief will now be transferred to the building of a supreme air fleet."

The country is gradually waking up to our flying machine situation and it needed to wake up.

Secretary Wilbur gives this information: Five hundred airplanes of the navy are useless, and even the remaining 224 that can fly, more or less, are all out of date.

You can easily imagine the difference between the flying fleet of this nation and that of Japan, which has factories working day and night turning out up to date flying machines, made on the best European models.

Of course Japan feels friendly toward us, and we feel friendly toward Japan. But sometimes situations change. It is not pleasant, next to Secretary Wilbur's statement, to read of one of the post-office flying machines falling to the ground. The brave pilot, Charles Gilbert, was found dead. We have good, courageous fliers. We ought to supply them with machines that won't risk their lives unnecessarily.

Katherine Mayo, writing about the Philippines, supplies information worth while. Self-appointed "apostles" collect tribute in the name of religion. In one village, refusing to furnish supplies, a family of nine were seized. A deep hole was dug. "The nine prisoners were flung in—grandfather, babies and all. The leader ordered the villagers to shovel back the earth on them and pack it down soundly."

After this the "apostles" said to the villagers: "Now we shall have supplies from you. If you do not promptly comply we shall bury more families."

There seems to be some work left for the American public school to do in the Philippines before turning those regions over completely to the natives.

However, native deficiencies do not justify this country in turning the poor creatures over to highly trained American grafters.

Do you keep chickens? Keep them away from other chickens if you can. Europe has sent here a poultry plague for which there is no known cure. Congress voted \$100,000 to fight it. Rigid quarantine will help the situation.

Segregate your chickens, and beware how you eat raw vegetables unless cleaned with greatest thoroughness, which isn't easy.

Be cautious especially about raw lettuce. The French alone know how to prepare that plant, grown in often fields, often with barnyard manure carrying typhoid germs.

Every leaf should be separated from every other leaf and carefully washed. The salad should be mixed in a big bowl, turned over and over, "well fatigued," as the French put it, until every part of every leaf has been of the vinegar on it. Vinegar kills the germs.

With vegetables thoroughly boiled, there is, of course, no cause to fear typhoid.

It is strange that war upon the Catholic church appears to be most savage in countries that until lately were most completely Catholic. In Mexico, land of many churches, there is openly shown such anti-Catholic feeling.

And in the Argentine republic, a great power of South America, the attorney general threatens to imprison the Roman Catholic bishop, Monsignor Juan Boneo, because he refuses to submit for government approval his credentials from Pope Pius.

Convicts in Mountville prison, West Virginia, will hang up stockings on their cell doors tomorrow night. Santa Claus is expected to bring something to each one.

The poor convicts will reflect sorrowfully that Santa Claus cannot bring them the one thing they want, which is freedom. It may comfort them to realize that some extremely prosperous individuals at liberty are also unable to get exactly what they need, namely a real interest in life, apart from making more money with enough already made.

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Beatrice—John W. Schuster, 79, pioneer of Gage county, died at his home 10 miles northeast of Beatrice. Surviving are his three children, all grown.

## Serious Injuries Shown by X-Ray

Mrs. Noren Hurt Severely in Crossing Crash in Which Driver Was Killed.

Superior, Dec. 23.—After x-ray examinations it was found that Leota Noren, 33, wife of Edward Noren, driver of the auto in the fatal accident at a railroad crossing, two miles west of Superior Friday night, suffered a badly fractured pelvis bone, and serious body bruises and cuts, which will confine her to her bed for two months. Edward Noren was found to not be seriously injured, although suffering fractured ribs and bad cuts.

The body of Albert Noren, brother of Edward, in the auto with them, was badly mangled by the train with which the auto collided. It was decided by authorities here to hold no inquest.

After the train had stopped and the wreckage of the auto was examined, it was found that Edward Noren still retained his hold on the steering wheel of the auto, a sedan, and his hat, with that of his brother was found on the cow-catcher of the engine of the train. It is said the dead man attempted to get out of the auto when he saw the train, and his body was thrown to the opposite side of the track from the auto.

## 2,685 SEALS SOLD BY RED OAK GIRL

Red Oak, Ia., Dec. 23.—Lillian Brannock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Brannock of this city is believed to have led in the school children's Red Cross seals competition. She is reported to have sold 2,685 seals at a penny each.

## Community Christmas Exercises Held at Pierce

Pierce, Dec. 23.—Many residents of Pierce gathered tonight around a large Christmas tree, decorated with various lights, at the intersection of the two principal streets and sang Christmas carols. Community Christmas exercises were held Saturday night and as the children marched past the tree each was presented with a large bag of candy and nuts.

## Fined for Fast Driving.

Red Oak, Ia., Dec. 23.—Donald Blue, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Blue, was fined \$15 and costs in Mayor Irwin's court for fast and reckless driving.

## Cactus Plant 48 Years Old in Bloom at Red Oak

Red Oak, Ia., Dec. 23.—Having heard of the fern 27 years old owned by Mrs. V. J. Hysham of this city, J. C. Rhodes tells of a cactus 48 years old. Mrs. E. J. Rhodes slipped the cactus in Kansas and nursed it and 26 years ago gave it to her son, J. C. Rhodes, who in turn gave it to Mrs. George Bailey.

This prickly plant species spreads Christmas cheer by bursting into bloom. It is celebrating its 48th blooming now and is called the Christmas cactus.

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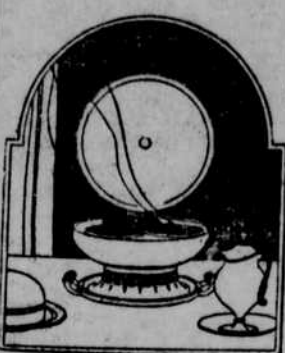
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We have a complete stock of Radiolas. This set includes four WD-11 Radiotrons, headphones, and Radiola Loudspeaker. Everything except antenna and batteries. \$90



Toasters

Electric toasters come in many different styles and patterns. Our stock of toasters is very complete and varied. \$5 to \$9



Percolator Urns For usefulness and service, a percolator urn fills many needs. We have several styles and makes. \$14.50 to \$40



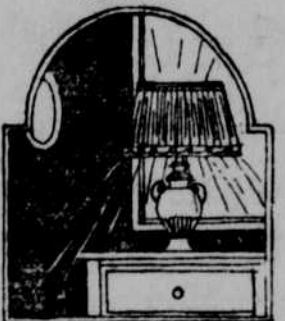
RECORDER POTS A percolator pot will make delicious coffee. It is quicker and better. A gift that will be used three times a day in the year. \$7.50 to \$19.50

## Premier Cleaners

Premier Cleaners are favored gifts for mother or wife because they save many hours of hard labor in the home. \$60



A complete set of attachments that will really clean walls, draperies and furniture. \$10

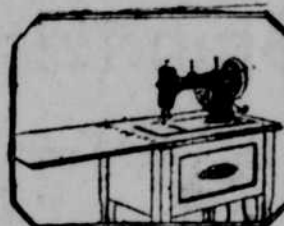


BOUDOIR LAMPS Our stock of lamps is unsurpassed. Hand-painted shades, various style bases and colors are in our wide selection. \$7.50 to \$12.50



Thor Automatic Ironers

Here is an ironer that will save many hours of labor. A gift that is very useful. \$165



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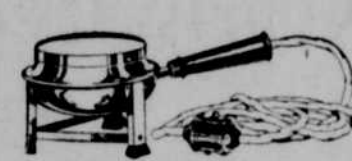
Sewing machines in portable and console styles. A very practical gift for the home. \$57 to \$130



GRILLS One can almost cook an entire meal with an electric grill. It is used on the table. A lasting gift. \$9.85 to \$13.50



TOLEDO COOK STOVES A complete cooking service in one of these cookstoves. An entire meal can be prepared at once. Comes in two sizes. \$55 and \$95

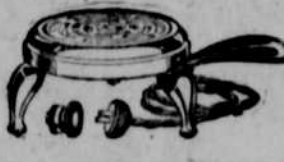


Chafing Dishes

This gift will come in handy many, many times throughout the year. Every home has use for this appliance. \$21



WAFFLE IRONS A waffle iron will be appreciated by anyone. Delicious waffles for breakfast is only one of the many uses of a waffle iron. \$15 and \$18



Hot Plate

This little utility stove can be used right on the table to prepare the meal. Has many uses. \$385

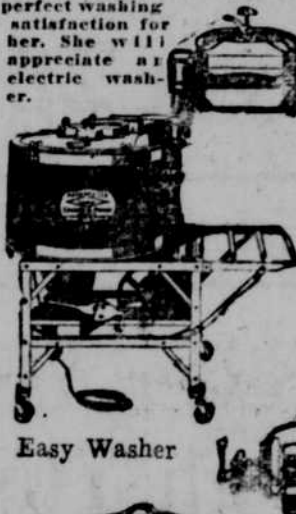


Edison Mazda Lamps

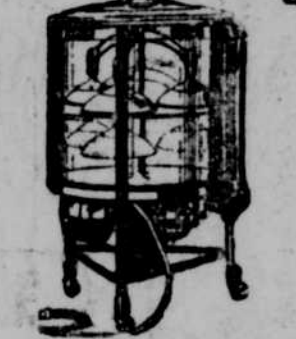
We have a complete stock of Edison Mazda Lamps; also colored lamps for decorative purposes. A dozen lamps is a very handy gift. \$12.50 to \$75

## Electric Washers

We have three different makes of washers. Choose any one of them for perfect washing satisfaction for her. She will appreciate an electric washer. \$1150



Easy Washer



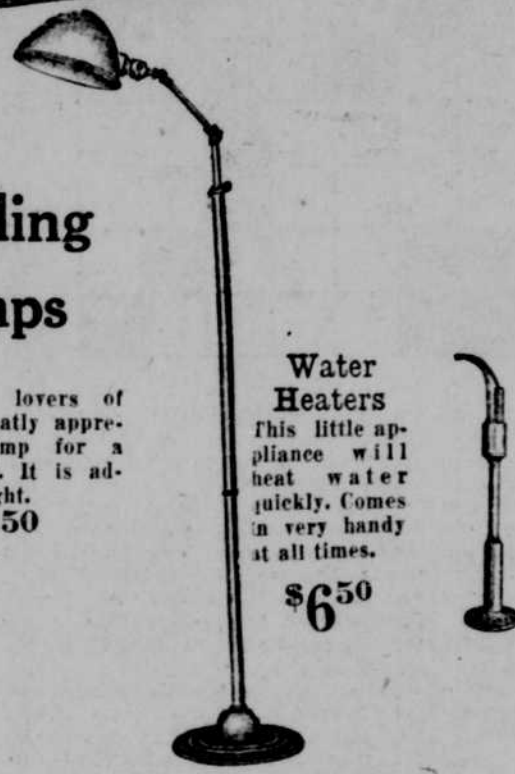
Automatic Washer



Thor Washer

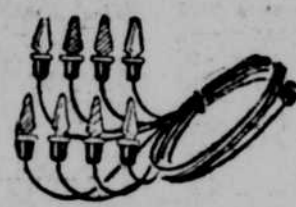
## Reading Lamps

Students and lovers of books will greatly appreciate this lamp for a Christmas gift. It is adjustable in height. \$1150



Water Heaters

This little appliance will heat water quickly. Comes in very handy at all times. \$650



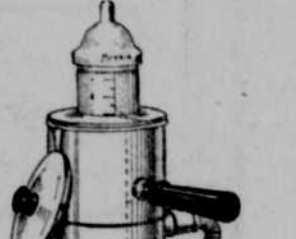
Christmas Tree Sets

These sets are regular \$3 sets. Specially priced. Will add beauty to your Christmas tree. \$265



Hotpoint Cooker

This little cooker is inexpensive—yet a gift that has many uses and is highly appreciated. All kinds of food can be prepared on this little cooker. \$2750



Milk Warmer

This appliance will warm milk quickly. Comes in very handy in a home where there are children. Can be used for other purposes too. \$950



Percolator Sets

We have several styles in beautiful sets. Neatly finished in several designs. See these sets before purchasing. \$2550 to \$70



Curling Iron Sets

This set comes in a handy case. Any woman will like this gift. Will last a long time. Inexpensive. \$750



Two-Way Plug

This plug is very useful in any home especially for electrical appliances. 75c



Heating Pads

Mother will appreciate a heating pad, for it has unlimited uses about the home. Especially handy during the cold months. \$5.75 to \$10



Electric Heaters

"Warmth where you want it" is what an electric heater supplies. A gift that will give its recipient many days of perfect service. \$5.50 to \$10.50



Boudoir Lamps

One of these lamps will add the right touch of light to any bedroom. We have colors to match. \$7.50 to \$12.50



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