Cash Tells The Story

With the beginning of November, the merchants have adopted the Cash system, and as a result we are to sell goods at a greater saving of money.

Some Sample Prices

T-Bone Steak, per lb.....18c
Sirloin Steak, per lb.....18c
Round Steak, per lb.....19c
Pork Roast, per lb.....15c

R. D. STINE

UNION ITEMS.

There will be a program at Union at the hall, Jan 6, for the benefit of Lewiston band.

John W. Banning and wife of Alvo were over for the day on last Christmas and enjoyed a visit with the family of Joe Banning.

I. W. Baker of Nebraska City was a visitor in Union on last Saturday, called here to look after some business in the insurance line.

There will be a program given at Union hall by the Lewiston band and Union orchestra for the benefit of the Lewiston band, Jan 6th at 8 p. m.

John Armstrong jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. John Armstrong, is to celebrate his birthday on Friday of this week, January 1st, 1932, when he will be five years of age.

Robert James of southeast of Nehawka was a visitor in Union on Monday of this week where he was securing some coal and building material for use on the farm.

Jay Austin and Ray Bramblett were over to Nebraska City on last Sunday night where they were attending a show at the Overland theatre and where they enjoyed the occasion very much.

V. E. Oliver was called to Plattsmouth on last Saturday to look after some business matters at the court house as well as looking after some matters in town and meeting with a number of friends.

Mr. Moodie, father of Mrs. David Kendall, of Wayland, Iowa, was a visitor for a number of days in Union at the home of his daughter, spending Christmas with them and enjoying his stay here very much.

Joseph, Anna and Frank Bauer were over to South Omaha on last Thursday where they spent the Christmas day and enjoyed a very fine visit as well as a splendid dinner at the home of John Case and family.

Ed S. Tutt and wife of Murray where they are engaged in business, were visiting in Union on last Sunday, being guests at the home of their friends, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Leach, where all enjoyed the occasion very much.

Messrs. D. R. Frans and his manager of the lumber yard, were called to Plattsmouth on last Saturday where they were looking after some business at the court house, they driving over to the county seat in the car of the former.

Mr. and Mrs. Olive Schriber, Mrs. Schriber formerly being Miss Minnie Reicke, who were recently united in marriage, departed early this week for their future home at Saint Jacobs, Illinois, where they have a home prepared for their use.

Miss Gwendolyn Stites was able to celebrate two holidays last week when she had a birthday on December 22nd and again when Christmas came the same week. She enjoyed both and is ready for another pair of the same the coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Withrow of Nebraska City, Mr. Withrow conducting a newspaper at Schubert, were visitors in Union on Christmas, coming for a visit with his son, Elmer Withrow and family, and to share the holiday with the folks.

Henry A. Chilcott and family and Elmer Withrow and family were over to Lincoln on last Sunday afternoon where they went for a visit at the home of a sister, Mrs. W. F. Beeman and family of that place, Mesdames Withrow and Beeman being sisters.

On last Sunday Mrs. C. E. Withrow, mother of Elmer Withrow, our townsman, and Dr. and Mrs. A. L. Navaux of Grand Island, who are respectively brother-in-law and sister of Elmer Withrow, were spending the day at the Withrow home in Union.

C. E. Willis, Jr., age four, son of Clarence E. Willis, and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Chapman, celebrated his birthday with a party of his young friends at his home southwest of Union on last Saturday, December 26th. The little folks enjoyed the occasion very much.

Jack Lane, nine, son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Lane, has been quite ill for a number of days with a severe attack of tonsillitis and has been given the best of care and medical attention, and is getting along fairly and is hoping that the rigours of the malady will soon be over.

Enjoyed Family Reunion.

At the home of Mrs. Vesta Clark was assembled on last Thursday, Christmas, to spend the day and the very fine dinner which was served, her children, they being the family of O. W. Kinney of Auburn, Fred Born and family of Nebraska City, and Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Newton of Plattsmouth, all enjoyed the occasion very much.

Returns from Hospital Monday.

Henry O'Brien, a brother-in-law of Charles L. Greene, making his home at a farm near Cedar Creek, has been at a hospital at Nebraska City, where he underwent an operation late last week and was able to return to his home on Monday of this week, and was taken home by Mr. Greene.

Spent Christmas Here.

Mrs. E. M. Griffin, mother of H. W. Griffin and Miss Frances Griffin, sister of Mr. Griffin of Plattsmouth, were enjoying the Christmas day at the home of Mr. Griffin and on last Sunday returned to their home in the county seat and were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Griffin.

Herd of Cattle Escape.

On last Saturday or rather Friday night the herd of cattle of Mr. Frank Schistemeier, which he had on feed in some manner broke out and got away, they scattered and it was some time before he was able to get them all back. He was in Union on Monday looking after them.

Rebuilding Tractor.

John Gruber of Manley came to Union on last Monday, brought his tractor down to Union, where he with the co-operation of Charles Atteberry, will overhaul the machine. At the patrol house at Manley there is hardly the facilities for the working on this style of machine and as the house at Manley is difficult to warm and the shop here is well equipped it was thought best to bring the work here to do, as both men could work on it a portion of the time.

Coolness Saves Lives.

On Sunday while County Commissioner E. B. Chapman and wife were coming into Union from the west and a freight train was approaching at a rapid rate, their car, from some slight defect ,stopped on account of the killing of the motor. The train was fast approaching and the car was in the direct path of the huge train. Mrs. Chapman, with the agility of a mountain sheep, opened the door and lightly stepped from the car and out of danger. Mr. Chapman, exercising the greatest coolness in the face of what would have been sudden death, had he not have thrown the car into reverse and starting it, backed from the tracks, the front of the car clearing the train as it swept by, by only a foot. This was a very trying moment for both and they both did their part in the face of the grave danger in an excellent manner.

Bus Breaks Motor.

The Missouri Pacific bus which was on its southbound trip when some two miles south of the Murray corner, broke the motor which compelled a stoppage, and the bus was then towed down to Union where at the garage and repair shop of W. O. Burbee the old motor was removed and a new one installed in its stead before it could be operated again.

Entertained for Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Griffin and wife entertained at their home for the day and dinner on last Sunday and had as their guests for the occasion Mrs. E. M. Griffin, mother of Mr. Griffin and Miss Frances Griffin, sister, of Plattsmouth, J. S. Osborne and family of Nebraska City, Mr. Osborne a brother of Mrs. Griffin.

For Sale

A Fine Fruit, Truck and Chicken Farm

Stocked and Equipped for Profitable Operation

Good improvements. Vineyard harvested 250 bushels of grapes this season. Fruit trees in full bearing—Peach, Cherry, Plum, a few Gooseberries and Currents.

No better land for truck gardening and good market. Good pasture and some timber.

Wagon, good set harness, some household goods. Also a complete set of farming implements.

Three good milk cows, one Jersey, one Guernsey and one Holstein.

Two pure bred registered Chester White brood sows, one bred to farrow in March. These are real sows, one year old and there are no better in the state. A fine start for anyone in the real breeding business.

I will also sell my life membership in the Chester White Swine Record association with all necessary pedigree books.

About 200 English White Leghorn laying hens. 20 Chinchilla rabbits, pure bred. 40 bushels potatoes.

We will sell altogether and give immediate possession, if necessary, as we are leaving for California in the early spring. Apply—

JOE H. LIDGETT
Union, Nebraska

TO REFUND BOND ISSUES

Omaha—The bond issues of the Omaha and Council Bluffs Street Car company will be refunded because of the company's inability to meet interest payments, Pres. John N. Shannahan announces.

At the same time it was announced wages and salaries of all employes will be reduced. Trainmen and others receiving less than $135 per month will receive a 4 percent reduction, those receiving up to $5,000 will be cut 10 percent, those between $5,000 and $15,000 will suffer to the extent of 12½ percent while Shannahan himself said he had agreed to a reduction of 15 percent in his own salary.

The present bond issue draws 6 percent. A 5 percent issue will be attempted. The present issue is due Jan. 1.

MILLERS HAVE SON

Lincoln, Dec. 28.—A son named James jr., was born to Secretary James F. Miller of the state railway commission, and Mrs. Miller, here Monday.

To My Friends—

Friends tried and proven true;
Friends of my boyhood days;
To my old schoolmates—and
To those unknown to me, who have patronized—

The Reliable
5c to $1.00 Store

since its opening September 19, 1931—to YOU—one and all, I am truly thankful and it is my hope that not only for 1932, but for years to come the RELIABLE 5c to $1.00 Store will merit your continued patronage.

Wishing you and yours a very Happy New Year—a New Year free from sorrow and filled with an abundance of Health and Wealth, I am—

Sincerely Yours—
Byron Golding

Government Makes Refunds in Income Tax

Number of Nebraskans Are Included in the Bentfits of Reductions Made by Treasury.

Washington, Dec. 28.—The treasury Monday told congress it had granted 28 tax refunds of more than $1,000 each to Nebraska citizens and companies in the past fiscal year.

The report showed a $26,756 return to the estate of Herman Reinbold, of which Henry Haubens of Washington, D. C., is executor, was the biggest for the state.

The estate of William H. Ostenberger was close behind with a refund of $26,500.

Others of more than $1,000 were:

Estate of W. W. Alt, James C. Quigley, administrator, Valentine, $1,864.

Baker Ice Machine Co., Inc., Omaha, $1,734 and $3,108 and $1,891.

Bankers Life Insurance Co., of Nebraska, Lincoln, $1,954.

H. M. Bushnell, United States National bank, Omaha, $1,232.

Levi L. Davis, F. W. Reynolds, attorney, Washington, D. C., $15,506.

Mrs. Gertrude M. Duff, 1104 Third avenue, Nebraska City, $1,157.

Estate of Swan Farris, F. E. Hollingsworth, administrator, Kearney, $3,287.

Estate of Albert O. Faulkner, Mrs. Jennie Faulkner, sole legatee, 4000 South street, Lincoln, $1,798.

First National bank, Omaha, $1,399.

Burt Furman, Alliance, $1,902.

Grant Co-operative Oil Co., Grant, $1,890.

Mrs. Louise Hoffman, 1503 Park Wilde avenues, Omaha, $1,510.

Insterstate Hotel Co., Omaha, $2,079.

W. M. Leonard, Lincoln, $3,940.

Estate of Morris Levy, Mrs. Bertha Levy, William L. Holzman and Daniel L. Korn, trustees, Blackstone hotel Omaha, $1,410.

Lincoln Traction Co., 105 West Adams street, Chicago, $1,837.

Louis Martin, Ogallala, $1,028.

Charles A. McCloud, 809 Beaver avenue, York, $2,570.

Nebraska Buick Auto Co., Lincoln, $5,041.

Platte Valley Telephone Co., Platte Valley Telephone Corp., successor, Los Angeles, $2,408.

V. H. Pollard, 5619 Jones street, Omaha, $1,203.

Prairie Life Insurance Co., Omaha, $4,426.

Rees Printing Co., Omaha, $637 and $4,100.

E. B. Stephenson, 1965 B street, Lincoln, $4,094.

Secretary Mellon reported a total of $69,476,930 illegally collected was returned, but he did not list credits and abtements which are deducted from taxes assessed but not yet paid.

The year before, refunds totaled $126,836,333, abatements $176,398,377 and credits, $36,535,245.

Only two refunds were for more than $1,000,000 against 12 a year earlier. The Illinois Central railroad got $1,158,675 and the Prairie Pipe Line Co. of Independence, Kan., $1,784,494.

To the Prairie Oil and Gas Co., Parco, Wyo., went $31,924; Prairie Oil and Gas Co., Independence, $531,740.

The United Verde Copper Co. got $1,047,398.

John D. Rockefeller received a $31,324 refund; his son, John D. jr., $1,804; Secretary Mellon himself $85,022; his brother, R. B. Mellon, $14,728; Mrs. Jennie K. Mellon, $2,594.

Movie stars who received refunds were Douglas Fairbanks, $12,391; Helen Costello Sherman and Dolores Costello Barrymore, $1,345 each.

Senator Kean, New Jersey, drew back $806; Senator Robinson, Arkansas, $671; Secretary of Commerce Lamont, $10,964.

Thomas Hitchcock, poloist, got $4,780; Paulino Uzcudun, boxer, $645; Texas Guinan, $2,469; Tullio Serafin, conductor of the Metropolitan Opera Co., $1,708; Bernard Baruch, $4,535; Corneilus Vanderbilt, $3,719; John Jacob Astor, $10,365; Alfred P. Sloan of General Motors, $15,112.

Among the larger refunds were:

Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., $867,926; New York Life Insurance Co., $843,926; American Hawaiian Steamship Co., $824,093; Danish Steamship Co., $756,722; estate of Charles Deering, $751,192; estate of Payne Whitney, $678,449; F. W. Woolworth Co., $637,961; Honolulu Consolidated Oil Co., $500,576; estate of William K. Vanderbilt, $368,998.

Only $554 was returned to the United States Steel Corp., which topped the 1930 list with $15,205,343.

Secretary Mellon was not permitted by law to make public additional assessments, which treasury officials said would more than balance refunds.

Believe Slaying of Recluse Work of Hoboes

Remains a Mystery as Far as Officers Are Concerned—Clothing Almost Torn Off in Struggle

The slaying of Marcus T. Upjohn, 68, Sarpy county recluse, remains a mystery as far as the officers are concerned, with Sheriff Mundell of Sarpy county of the opinion that the crime was the work of some hobo who sought to rob the aged man. The hut where Mr. Upjohn resided is located a short way from the railroad tracks and many hoboes have been seen in the neighborhood as well as hitch hikers seeking rides in autos or trucks.

The two rooms of the hut had been thoroughly searched as if the intruder was seeking money or valuables. The body of the murdered man was beaten badly and his clothing was almost torn off, either in a death struggle with the murderer or in the search of the person of the aged man for money or valuables.

The farm on which Mr. Upjohn was murdered is a part of the Upjohn land holdings which the family secured in the fifties and early sixties. The murdered man was born on the farm where he was killed.

The body was found about 10 o'clock Monday morning by W. H. Upjohn, a nephew, who lives across the road. He noticed last Wednesday that the door of the shack was open and decided Monday to investigate.

The old man's body lay on the floor behind the stove. The bloody spade was underneath the body and a one by four piece of lumber, also slightly bloody, was found nearby.

The room was piled high with rags, string, empty tin cans and other things Upjohn had accumulated in many years. He threw nothing away, apparently, even empty tin cans. The murderers, apparently, had tried to examine every empty can to see if there was any money hidden. Sacks were slashed and an old purse, open, found on the floor.

The dead man's brother, Ed Upjohn, who lives nearby, said that Marcus inherited the one hundred-acre farm when he was 19. He disappeared then, and 11 years later was heard of in Denver, where he made a living playing the violin and piano for dances. He returned to the farm at times, but would take up roving. He marched with Coxey's army to Washington. Then, 18 years ago, he decided to "settle down." He was supposed to have a little money saved from his fiddling earnings and to own a lot in Denver. With this and the revenue from the farm, which he rented, he got along. He rarely saw his neighbors, but when he did meet them talked to them pleasantly.

The shack, located on the present detour for Highway No. 75, is only about 10 yards from the road. The unused room was piled high with beehives, which Upjohn bought a number of years ago but never used.

Upjohn was a small man, weighing hardly more than a hundred pounds. He wore a long beard and his hair was long.

Neighbors said they had heard no talk of any money being buried around the place. The murderers, however, went so far as to crawl, through a tunnel, into a dugout underneath the shack, apparently to search for money, footprints indicated.

Last October, Ed Upjohn said, Marcus came to his house and said that "some rascals had fired a couple of shots through a window." He looked out, he said, and saw two men disappearing over a hill.

Upjohn's skull was fractured and his arms and shoulders severely bruised, as if he had been struck a number of times.

MAN IDENTIFIED BY GIRLS

Cincinnati—Three little girls stood before a police lineup and unhesitatingly pointed to one of two suspects held in connection with the brutal kidnaping and slaying of six year old Marian McLean as the man who molested one of them last June. The girls, sisters, were brought from St. Joseph orphanage upon word to police by their mother of the incident last summer.

Hopeful that this latest development may lead to the identification of the fiend who attacked and killed the McLean child, police plan to take the suspect before a man who reported seeing a nervous stranger appear before his home with a clothes basket covered with oil cloth. The man, Russel C. Chump, will be asked to try and identify the suspect as the stranger. It was only a few hours later that Marian's body was found in a tenement house cellar in the neighborhood.

M'COOK TAILOR SHOP DESTROYED BY FIRE

McCook, Neb., Dec. 27.—The tailoring and dry goods establishment of Joe Horacek in the Keystone hotel here was destroyed by fire today. Although the loss was not definitely known, it was believed to be approximately two thousand dollars.

ENJOYING VACATION

L. B. Rakow, third trick operator at the local Burlington station, is enjoying a vacation in the north part of the state over the holiday season. In the absence of Mr. Rakow, L. C. Dickson of Brusal, Nebraska, is looking after the work at the station.

BOXERS FLY TO BOUTS

Mexico City.—Fidel Labarba, former flyweight champion, Tommy Hermann and Bobby Pacho arrived by airplane from Los Angeles for bouts with Alfred Gaona, Baby Arizmendi and Manuel Villa on Jan. 1.

FAVORS CHURCH GOOD WILL

Chicago—Dr. Preston Bradley, pastor of the People's Unitarian church here, said in his sermon Sunday night he doubted that protestant denominations would ever unite with the Roman Catholic church, as suggested by Pope Pius XI in a papal bull Saturday. "The pope's message is a gesture showing evidence of increasing goodwill between various churches and denominations," Dr. Bradley said. "I am perfectly willing to work with the Catholic church or any other to make this world a better place to live in. But at the same time we all can retain our own beliefs about the next world. It is somewhat hopeless after ten centuries to expect the protestant churches to go back to Rome. I do not think that will ever come."

Virgin Islands Homesteads to Support Many

Governor of Islands Reports on Plan to President Hoover—Banking Found Unstable.

St. Thomas, V. I.—More than 300 families will be able to found self-supporting homesteads in the Virgin Islands under a plan outlined in Gov. Paul M. Pearson's current report to President Hoover, which contemplates reclaiming 3000 acres of land for farming and grazing purposes.

Concerning the homesteading plan, Governor Pearson said in part the "plan was approved by the Secretary of the Interior and by the civil administration. As this fiscal year closes, negotiations have not yet been concluded for the purchase of those lands in the plan of the bureau of efficiency and provided for by congressional appropriation."

The governor indicated that the banking situation is somewhat unstable because the National Bank of the Danish West Indies operates under a franchise of 30 years, which expires in 1934. Consequently, the Governor reports, long-term notes are being collected upon and no others made. Governor Pearson has appointed a committee to investigate what should be done to take the situation in hand. The Secretary is sending an investigator to assist.

More than two-thirds of the land in the Virgin Islands is held by about 41 persons. The Governor reported that "on St. Thomas 60 per cent is held by 15 owners; on St. John 80 per cent is held by 12 owners; on St. Croix 70 per cent is held by 14 persons."

HOOVER CHILDREN AT ZOO

Washington—With President Hoover as a guide the two little Hoovers Sunday went on a bear hunt that carried them into the crowded Washington zoo, a hunt that began with a year old fictitious bruin. In the capital's big animal park, the chief executive with his grandchildren, Peggy Ann and Peter, wandered from cage to cage, into the monkey house, up to look at the elephants and down to the sea lion pool for a glimpse at its frolicking occupants.

But it was the bears they enjoyed most, and the president seemed to have as much fun as the children. Behind their interests lies a year old story. When Peggy Ann and Peter, then aged four and three, respectively, came to the white house last Christmas some one told them of a bear that lived in the cellar of the executive offices and that would get them if they didn't watch out. The motive behind the fiction, which grew and grew, was to keep Peggy Ann and Peter out of mischief in the executive offices. Many a time, however, they could be seen peering down the cellar steps. Not even a reminder of the "big bear" was needed when they returned this year. But so often was he spoken of that their grandfather took them to see a real one.

PRISONER OF BANDIT CHIEF

Foochow, China—Prospects for the early release of Miss Harriet Holverstadt, American missionary, who was kidnaped last week, were dissipated Sunday ngiht by discovery of the identity of her captors. Authoritative foreign reports said she had been held for ransom by a notorious bandit chieftain named Chen Wei, who has been operating in this area for many years. This conflicted with a previous statement by the Chinese military to the effect that she had been captured by disgruntled peasants who were seekiny to obtain a reduction in taxation. Miss Halverstadt's associates were attemptiny to negotiate her release.

KEITH NEVILLE HEADS NORTH PLATTE BANK

North Platte, Dec. 28.—Keith Neville, former Nebraska governor, Monday was named acting president of the First National bank of North Platte, succeeding Frank L. Mooney who died here last Saturday.

Neville is a director of the bank, was vice president, and has been connected with the institution for several years. His selection by the directors as president will be in effect until Jan. 12 when the stockholders hold their annual meeting to elect officers and directors.

WOMAN ASKS $40,000 FOR DEATH OF HUSBAND

Wayne—Mrs. Alice Elgert, widow of Erich Elgert, has filed suit in district court here asking damages of $40,000 against the Blakeman Transfer company of Norfolk, for fatal injuries suffered by her husband when his car and a Blakeman truck collided near Waterbury last August.

Cass County Truckers

The truckers of Cass county are invited to meet on SATURDAY afternoon, January 2nd, 1932, at 2:30 p. m., at the auditorium of the Plattsmouth Public Library. Business of importance will be taken up and everyone in Cass county engaged in the trucking business is urged to attend.

Borah Demands Federal Salary Slash of 10%

Senator Robert M. La Follette Backs Bill to Raise $5,500,000,000 to Provide Jobs

Washington—Balancing the budget by means of strengent economy was recommended today by Senator William E. Borah (R.), of Idaho, who said he would begin with a 10 per cent reduction in the salaries of all government employees who could be reached under the Constition.

Members of the Senate and House as well as all federal officials receiving more than either $2000 or $2500 a year would be included, he said, with the exception of the President and members of the federal judiciary, who are protected by the Constitution from such reductions.

Simultaneously Senator Robert M. La Follette (R.) of Wisconsin introduced a bill asking for a $5,500,000,000 "prosperity bond" issue to finance a public works program to relieve unemployment.

Senator Borah's stand for economy followed introduction of a resolution the day before by Senator Pat Harrison (D.) of Mississippi asking a reduction of $300,000,000 in the Government appropriations for the year.

Both proposals are in line with efforts of President Hoover to cut the costs of operating the Government to a minimum, but are more drastic than any that have emanated as yet from the White House.

"The most important thing now," Senator Borah said, "is to balance the budget and that cannot be done unless and until federal expenditures are cut drastically. It is all nonsense that we cannot cut them. I am in favor of beginnig with every federal salary above $2000 or $2500 and cutting them 10 per cent."

Senator Harrison pointed out that other governments have reduced salaries throughout their establishments and that the United States should follow suit. Senator Borah pointed out that the reduction in prices has so increased the buying power of money that a 10 per cent cut would still leave them better off than they were before.

The La Follette proposal calls for an addition to the surtax of 2 per cent on all incomes above $5000. These proceeds would be used exclusively for redeeming the "prosperity bonds." Provision is made for loans to corporations organized for the sole purpose of sponsoring housing projects for families of low incomes.

The greatest part of the emergency fund—up to $3,750,000,000—would be made available, according to Senator La Follette, for loans to state and local authorities to enable them to continue and expand their existing public works programs.

The balance would be taken up by a $1,000,000,000 additional grant to aid state public works and $650,000,000 to expand construction by federal agencies, including rivers and harbors, flood control works, federal public buildings, forest roads and trails, irrigation and reclamation work, and lesser things.

The money is to be raised by issue of "prosperity bonds" to the full amount of the emergency construction fund. They would be issued in denominations of $50 and upward.

SCHOOL BUSSES MADE READY FOR BLIZZARDS

Peublo, Colo., Dec. 27.—The tragic Towner school bus disaster of last winter, in which five children and the driver were frozen to death during a blizzard on the plains of southeastern Colorado, will not be repeated if precautions being taken in Pueblo county are followed in other Cclorado counties.

Nettie S. Freed, county superintendent of schools revealed recently that all school busses in Pueblo county were being provided with emergency supplies of food and blankets. If a bus becomes stalled in a winter snow-storm and forced to remain in the open all night the children would have food and warmth.

Fix Date to Discuss Wages on Railroads

Jcint Meeting of Men and Carriers at Chicago January 14—Willard Is Notified.

Cleveland — The railway labor executives' association, comprising twenty-one brotherhoods and unions, set Jan. 14 as the date for meeting in Chicago with a committee of nine railroad presidents to discuss the unions' proposals for unemployment relief and the railroads' proposed 15 percent wage cut. In addition, the railway labor heads decided to call the brotherhoods' 1500 general chairmen on the various railroads to meet in Chicago Jan. 12 in advance of the presidents' conference to determine upon a policy for the Jan. 14 meeting.

Labor heads expect to have a representative committee from each involved labor organization participate in the conference with the railroad presidents. This will include the twenty-one executives of the brotherhoods and sub committees from each organization, bringing the total labor representation at the conference to approximately 200.

Daniel Willard, chairman of the railroad presidents' association and president of the Baltimore & Ohio, was notified of the date selected. The meeting of labor executives began at 10 a. m. and extended thruout the day. The sessions were closed to outsiders.

D. B. Robertson, chairman of the association and president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen, said the conference did not discuss the proposed wage decrease asked by the railroads at the New York meeting, Dec. 18.—State Journal.

CULBERTSONS WIN 2 OUT OF 3 RUBBERS

New York, Dec. 28.—Mr. and Mrs. Ely Culbertson won two of the first three rubbers played Monday night with Sidney S. Lenz and Oswald Jacoby, and the plus of the Culbertsons in the big contract bridge match increased to 17,335. The rubbers stand 56 and 42. Points of rubber 98; Culbertsons, 1,320; Lenz and Jacoby, 310.

Meeting the Tasks Ahead

Goodbye Nineteen Thirty-One! You have been a good old year to us—and as well have made us a home, given us good health and many friends and made us happy. We thank you and surely appreciate your kindness. The discipline has been excellent and we are hoping will keep us better in the future.

To you, our friends, who have assisted us so nicely during the past, we wish to extend our hearty thanks for all your kindness, for it has assisted us much in our work. We are wishing you much Happiness, Health and Friends in the days to come, with an abundant and abiding prosperity.

We shall endeavor to merit all your confidence and friendship. We shall keep our face towards the future with an earnest purpose to serve you better whenever we can. Thanking you again, personally, and for the Journal, which we represent, we are—

Most Appreciatively Yours
M. S. Briggs