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NEBRASKA

If provision is not made for developing the railroads continuously the cost of liv-ing, instead of being reduced, will go higher, declares President Howard Elliott the Northern Pacific Railroad Com-ny. "Figures furnished show that in 1918 there were 53,923,734 life insurance policies in force with the legal reserve companies. Among the assets securing these policies are nearly \$2,000,000,000 of railway securities, and a failure to protect these securities affects directly the hold-ers of these policies and the beneficiaries thereof. In addition, these policy holders, in common with the balance of the 105,000,-900 people in the country, need continuous development of the transportation machine for the purpose of increasing the food and fuel supply." Mr. Elliott stated that the country's railroads will face a deficit for the present year that may reach \$350,000,000.

Frank L. Polk, head of the United States delegation to the peace conference summoned Kurt von Lessner, head of the Ger-man representatives at Versailles on Monday and told him that Germany should not interpret as being in her favor any delay that might be encountered in ratifying the Versailles treaty at Washington, according to Paris newspapers. "If there can be in the United States several ways of understanding the treaty," Mr. Polk is quoted as saying, "there are not two ways of understanding the obligations encumbent upon Germany nor the affection binding the United States and her allies.

The different nations of the world are trying different expedients to meet the high cost of living. In Portugal, a part of the nation's gold reserve has been placed in the banks. In Sweden the increase has reached a figure estimated at 125 per cent, which is higher in the cities than in the country. The Argentine is considering doing away with import duties on unmanufactured food products, while Brazil is revising her tariff with the same end in view.

A. L. De Lecuw, of New York a consulting engineer, says: "Collective bargaining is a misleading term. Under the present conditions there can be no bargaining for the issue is brought to a conclusion by strikes or threats of strikers. This is no more a method of bargaining than when a man points a gun at his debtor to collect a bill." Mr. De Leeuw says "we must dro; to a large extent the idea that wage is the compensation for time, it should be made a compensation for product de-

Premier Lloyd George, addressing the house of commons this afternoon said he hoped it would not be necessary to suspend trial by jury in Ireland. A resuspend trial by jury in Ireland. A re-port had circulated that the cabinet, had decided to suspend constitutional guar-antee because of the impossibility of obtaining convictions of persons in Ireland tried for acts of terrorism.

Two Americans, members of an exploring expedition launched jointly by the Smithsonian institution and the Universal Film Company, have been killed in a railroad wreck in the Engo forest, Belgian Congo, South Africa, and several others seriously injured. Native wood cutters extricated the injured and carried them to their huts where they remained for 16 hours without medical aid.

The Ellis island inquiry reveals the fact that, although there were 1,509 aliens deported during the year ending July 1, 1918, only two of them were anarchists, despite the fact that the law requires the deportation of allen anarchists no matter how long they have been in this country.

November 25 was old maid's day in Paris. On that day—St. Catherine's day—every unmarried woman who has reached the age of 25 are decorated by their younger sisters with orange blossoms. Many of those decorated in Paris this year wore half mourning for flances killed in the

Prof. William H. Pickering, of Harvard university, who recently made a study of the moon from an observatory in Kingston, Jamaica, says there are evidences of the existence of a race of superior beings on the moon and that a careful study reveals vegetation in spots on the moon's

Of the 2,511,046 men called in the draft in New York state, 1,907,200 or 76 per cent, wert found physically fit for military ser-vice. New Jersey's average was 79.2 per cent and Connecticut 77.3 per cent. Wyoming heads the lits of states in the highest per centage of physically fit men, boasting of 87.2 Rhode Island is at the bottom with only 57.6 per cent fit.

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Myron T. Herrick, former ambassador to France, in an address at the 34th annual dinner of the Ohio Society of New York, declared the real test of patriotism was still to come and that it would mean the dedication of the lives of real Americans to the maintenance of the country in attacks from foes within. "Our people do not understand that many leaders of union labor do not seek benefits for labor but seek to destroy the government," he said. acknowledged.

Girl Scouts of New York city have by a

Girl Scouts of New York city have, by "gentleman's agreement," banned paint and face newder, and the whole makeup box as well. No scout is permitted to dye her hair or use peroxides. Short skirts and high heels must go too.

Warning against "entangling alliances" with the American federation of labor, Dr. George D. Strayer, of Columbia university, today told 500 teachers attending the

today told 500 teachers attending the teachers institute that affiliation with labor unions would "invite suspicion and fear." Representative Sims, Tennessee, re

Representative Sims, Tennessee, ranking democrat has reintroduced his bill providing for extension of federal control of railroads until December 31, 1921. With a provision that no increases in rates can be put into effect without authority of

co-operative society for the rich only a co-operative society for the rich only is being formed in Paris. "We have had enough," says M. Charles Namur, the promotor of the scheme, "of throwing money away. We do not wish to be accused any more of forcing up prices," according to a

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People have protested to President Wilson against the fact that colored people have been ex-cluded from the public restaurant in the library of congress, and colored employees segregated in the lunch room.

"The women of New York adopted styles which come from the most immoral women of Paris," declared Lieut. B. W. Maynard, the flying parson.

The British ministry of munitions is re-leasing for sale more than 5,500,000 yards of cloth suitable for dresses, over coats, raincoats, suits and uniforms.

The youngest son of Lieut. Col. Theodore Roosevelt was christened "Quentin" last week. He was named for his aviator uncle who died in France. Copies of "The Star of Gold" were distributed at the cere-

There were 7,700 Swiss killed during the war, in the service of France. Eight thous-and Swiss were loaned the French army, and all but 300 of them were killed in

The Christiania department of justice has forbidden the police to join trades unions or any national organization which may order them to be guilty of disloyal

THE O'NEILL FRONTIER | CONVENTION WILL HAVE NO VACATION

Builders of New Constitution For Nebraska Have Many Freak Proposals Submitted to Them.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 13 .- The state constitutional convention is of a mind to keep on working and not take a layoff until after the holidays. Wednesday it staged a warm debate over whether to adjourn this week until January 5, or until next Monday. The Monday advocates won. It was argued that until the proposals or amendments are printed and the committees have turned out some work, there will be nothing for the convention to do, but it was finally decided to wait until a better idea of the task ahead can be secured.

Another batch of new proposals have been dropped into the hopper by members. Among the number were two by Epperson, one of which proposes to abolish the state railway commission. The other would put an end to the practice of getting around the old constitutional provisions prohibiting the creation of new executive officers by the device of naming some officer as commissioner something or another, and making the

real head his deputy.

Oleson of Cuming had two that were evidently aimed at prohibitory enforcement. One would prevent the issuance of search warrants except where felony is charged, and the other that all punishments must be com-mensurate with the crime. Keeping liquor for sale on one's premises is a misdemeanor and does not become a felony, under the present law, until after two convictions.

Mr. Evans would make void any supreme court decision declaring a law enacted by the legislature or by the referendum unconstitutional unless all judges agree. Other proposals are to elect supreme judges by districts, university regents by districts, that the legislature shall meet in December instead of January following election of members, and that the state bar association shall nominate all supreme judges.

INSURANCE AMOUNTING TO TWO BILLION IS CARRIED

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 13-"Over \$2,000-000,000 of insurance was carried in Nebraska last January," says Harvey Milliken, chairman of the publicity bureau. This includes \$639,233,516 of life insurance consisted of:

Stock legal reserve....\$178,315,85; Mutual legal reserve....188,575,29; Assessment life associations...1,886,500 Fraternal beneficiary associa-254,455,86

Total life insurance.....\$639,233,516 Property insurance comprised: Stock fire insurance.......\$ 856,022,876
Mutual fire, tornado and hail 24,247,935
Assessment hail and plate

glass
Farm and village mutual assessment fire and tornado. Total fire, tornado, hail and glass\$1,329,839,715

COMPENSATION FOR BEING KILLED IN OWN CONCERN

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 13.-The state labor department has allowed compensation of \$12 per week for 200 weeks to the heirs of Ira Lee, of Kim-ball, Neb., who was killed while in the employ of his own establishment.

Lee, with a partner, owned a garage at Kimball. He was killed by a gaso-line explosion. The insurance company opposed the payment of compensation on the grounds that Lee was in his own employ, but the commission allowed the claim on the clause providing that "executives and officers of a company come under the compensa-

FUEL ADMINISTRATOR HAS PLENTY OF AUTHORITY

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 13.-H. C. Tay lor, newly appointed state fuel administrator, is back from Chicago where he was informed that he is an integral part of the railroad administration, which has been given the job of distributing the coal and enforcing conservation rules. The prescribed form is for local agents to order cars and local committees are to distribute the contents equitably, under Mr. Taylor's supervision.

MILK PRICES BOOSTED BY DEALERS AT FREMONT

Fremont, Neb., Dec. 13.-The price of milk in Fremont has been lifted again -this time to 17 cents a quart. The price of bottles, which has been 5 cents. has been doubled. It will cost, there-fore, 27 cents, to tote home a single quart of milk, but the bottle, if returned, will be redeemed for 10 cents.

TECUMSEH-In order to help meet the advances in prices of all necessities, the Tecumseh board of educations has decided to give each teacher who remains at work to the close of the year a bonus of \$100. The act was volunteered by the board, and not asked for by the teachers. If a teacher is compelled to quit for perfectly satisfactory reasons at any time, the amount is prorated to the time taught.

LINCOLN-The stock judging team won second place at the international stock show at Chicago, the team consisting of W. E. Wiedeburg, of Lincoln; DeLoss P. Moulton, of Wymore; M. V. Kappius West Point; Ira Hepperly, Norfolk; R. E. Fortna, Octavia; Earl Yates, Geneva, al-

FOREIGN EXCHANGE IS AGAIN LOWER TODAY

New York, Dec. 12.-Sterling demand and lire checks made new low records on the foreign exchange here today, sterling opening at \$3.7125 and lires at 13.52. Francs were strong, checks being quoted at 11.82.

Shortly after the opening sterling reacted to \$3.7025. Marks were quoted at \$.098.

ORGANIZATION TO BOOST PERSHING

Friends and Former Neighbors of General In Nebraska Plan Campaign to Elect Him President.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 12.—A state or-ganization intended to bring forward General Pershing as a candidate for the republican nomination for president was created here last night at a meeting of 200 admirers and former neighbors of the general. Resolutions were adopted declaring the nation needs a man of his type of mind and training as president of the United States in the reconstruction work ahead. The meeting pledged its efforts to secure Nebraska's 16 votes for him at the republican national convention. Pershing is expected to arrive in Lincoln the 23d of this month to remain several days with his son and sisters.

FAILED IN SUICIDE ATTEMPT, BUT STILL WOULD DIE

Fremont, Neb., Dec. 12.—After writing a note to his wife, who went to Denver three weeks ago to visit relatives, informing her that when she received it he would be dead, Earl Cunningham, truck driver in the employ of the Rogers Tent & Awning Co., drank two ounces of chloroform.

He was found about an hour later by Harry Rogers, president of the com-pany. He was rushed to the Fremont hospital, where he is resting easy.,

Cunningham after regaining con-sciousness expressed a desire to die. He told the police he had had trouble with his wife. Cunningham served on the Mexican border with the old Fremont signal corps until discharged for physical disability.

CHURCH DEBT WIPED OUT BY PARISHONERS

Ponca, Neb., Dec. 12.-Fifty men enjoyed an elegant dinner in the parlors of Salem English Lutheran church. The pastor, the Rev. Alfonse A. Marohn, acted as toastmaster, delivering a stirring address. Response was the subscribing of \$2,000 in cash subscriptions, the money to be applied on the church debt, which was incurred through the building of a new and uptodate parsonage. Preparations are under way to raise another \$2,000 during this month.

UPDIKE GIVES HUGE SUM TO OMAHA CHURCH

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 12 .-- Nels B. Updike will contribute \$86,000 to the fund for the completion of the new First Congregational church, according to an offer which he made.

Mr. Updike volunteered to subscribe \$1 for every dollar subscribed by the members at the meeting. Within a short time \$86,000 had been pledged and amounts ranging from small contributions up to \$10,000.

COLDEST DECEMBER DAY

SINCE BACK IN 1901 Norfolk, Neb., Dec. 12.-The coldest temperatures for December since 1901 were recorded in Norfolk and vicinity Tuesday night and Wednesday morning. The official thermometer in Nor-folk registered 26 degrees below zero. Similar temperatures were reported by the Northwestern railroad headquarters from Winner and other Rosebud country points.

CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION GETTING DOWN TO BUSINESS

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 12.-Not having very much to do the convention to amend the constitution is spending most of its time in debating propositions having to do with procedure and similar vastly important matters. Meanwhile the members are unloading their pockets, and dropping in a number of proposals.

NORFOLK-Herman Hoffman was fined \$11.25 in Judge Norvell's court because he refused to allow his 15-year-old son to attend school. The complaint charging Hoffman with assisting in the delinquency of his son was signed by J. M. Showalter, superintendent of schools, and is the result of the truant officer's investigations. Hoff-man told the court that he needed his boy to help with work at home, but the court advised him that the boy needed an education.

HARTINGTON-Even Dan Cupid is not immune from criticism in connection with the use of foreign languages in the United States. Following the marriage here re-cently of a couple in which the German language was used, the Hartington post of the American Legion has adopted resolutions condemning the use of any other than the English language for business, social and ceremonial affairs. INMAN—David Douglas, old time trap-

per of this district, was found dead six miles south of Inman. Douglas was found lying in a medow north o fthe Klondyke ranch, a short distance from his traps. His death was due to heart trouble. When found his trapper's sack contained a few furs of skunk, mink and muskrat. Douglas and his brother, Albert, were batche lors and lived by themselves in their cabin on the old Geary place, five miles north of

PUTS BAN ON I. W. W.

Spokane, Wash., Dec. 11 .- A temporary injunction forbidding 60 alleged members of the I. W. W. held in jail here pending appeal of their convic tions on charges of criminal syndicalism, as well as other unnamed members of the organization in this coun try, from continuing with the organization, was issued by Superior Judge Webster here today.

CATCH JEWELRY ROBBER.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 11.-A man identified by the police as Leland W Zierick, of Seattle, Wash., escaped from a jewelry store last night with diamonds valued at more than \$15,000 after he had held up the manager and a clerk with a revolver. The man was caught later.

The speaker of the British house of com-mons is obliged by custom to give seven official dinners each season to the mem-

MAKING POLITICS OF KIRK'S CASE

Omaha Bar Association Asks For Investigation-Republican Leaders Are Being Grilled.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 11.-Judge Dean, vice president of the state bar association, has been asked by Omaha parties to order an investigation of the conduct of the attorneys who represented Byrl C. Kirk in the negotiations which secured for him a furlough from the penitentiary, where he had spent two years of a 20-year conviction for murder. Judge Dean has declined to act in the matter, however, because as a member of the supreme court, he would later have to sit in disbarment proceedings if these were the outcome of the investigation. The president of the association is out of the state. C. Petrus Peterson, of Lincoln, one of Kirk's attorneys, is head of the standing investigating committee of the state association.

The Kirk matter is now getting into politics. The democrats see in it a chance to hit at Peterson, who is one of the party leaders and in line for the governorship, while his partner, R. W. Devoe, is chairman of the republican state committee.

NEBRASKA COLLEGE SELLS ITS KANSAS PROPERTY

Fremont, Neb., Dec. 11.-The Midland college property at Atchison, Kan., consisting of 26 acres and five buildings, including a new gymnasium erected two years ago at a cost of \$40,000, was sold to Eugene Howe, of the Atchison Globe for \$41,000. E. E. Stauffer, president of the Midland college, announced. It is understood Mr. Howe acted for the Dunkards, a religious sect which has a college at McPherson, Kan. The Dunkards plan to remove their college to Atchison, it is said.

REFUSE TO ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF RECTOR

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 11.-Word is given out that at a meeting of the bishop and vestry of All Saints the resignation of Rev. T. J. Mackay, the rector was not accepted, the resignation having been proffered on account of fail-

ing health. The day before Thanksgiving Dr. Mackay was made a present of a purse of \$8,500, contributed by friends and church members, later contributions having been expected to raise the amount to \$10,000.

BEGIN CUTTING ICE EARLY THIS SEASON

Fremont, Neb., Dec. 11.-With ice eight inches thick, a local company has commenced cutting. It is said that this is the first time in the history of Fremont that ice has been cut before December 15. Last year only a scanty crop was gathered, due to the brevity of the cold season.

SHOT MAN IN DREAM; MUST STAND TRIAL

Fremont, Neb., Dec. 11.-Tony Danza, the Italian who shot Elwin Marquis, Omaha real estate dealer, on a Union Pacific train as it pulled into Fremont Thanksgiving evening, was bound over to trial in district court. preliminary pleaded not guilty of shooting with intent to do great bodily harm, but made no defense. He claims to have done the shooting while dreaming he was about to be robbed.

TO CUT WOOD ALONG THE MISSOURI RIVER

Bloomfield, Neb., Dec. 11.-At a meeting of the commercial club J. W. Dart, B. Y. High and Fred Heavrin were named as a fuel committee. Former Mayor Harm was appointed chairman of a committee to arrange for cutting wood along the Missouri river. These committees are busy. No suffering has been reported from the coal shortage here, but the shortage is extremely acute.

CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION COMPLETES ORGANIZATION

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 11.-The state constitutional convention is now ready for business. It has adopted the report of the committee on committees, which finishes the firmal organization. The next in order will be the introduction of proposals or amendments, which will be referred after being printed to the committees to which each belongs.

BOOTLEGGER CONVICT IS GIVEN TEMPORARY PAROLE

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 11.-Howard Lee convicted of bootlegging in Hitchcock county and serving an indeterminate sentence, has been released from the penitentiary temporarily on an order by Lieutenant Governor Barrows, now acting governor. Lee has a wife and five small children. Mrs. Lee is very ill, and friends of the family have represented to the authorities that her husband is sadly needed at home for a time. He has been paroled to the county attorney, who has agreed to watch after him and see that he is returned after the Lee family crisis has passed. Lee has served more than the six months' minimum sentence, and is eligible to a parole.

A kind hearted Kentucky burglar last week sent the pawn tickets he received for the jewels he stole to his victim.

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE IS NOT A DEMOCRAT

Pierre, S. D., Dec. 10-The democrats find themselves in the difficult position of having one of their proposed candidates fail to consent to run on the state ticket. The man says he isn't a democrat, and so refuses to be on their state ticket. He is Claude E. Harris, of Sioux Falls, whom they proposed for lieutenant governor.

THE EVENING STORY.

Ye Merry Gift Time.

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Mrs. Bagby leaned her elbows on the air, while on either side of her loomed a mountain of Christmas gifts, gay boxes and fancy ribbons and tissue possibly think of that she might need, paper. She sighed gently and looked and this handkerchief is a beauty, about approvingly. "Now comes the work," she thought.

She moved things about for a moment and then drawing a silk bag toward her announced to the assembled presents: "This bag is for Sister Ella's daughter. She has everything she needs, anyway, but a silk bag or two will never come amiss. Girls can never she slipped in the little Christmas greeting she had written and folded and wrapped it daintily in tissue paper, tied it with the girl's favorite color of the bow, saying as she held it up to view, "That makes it look more festive. How a little thing like that helps." "I do wish I could send something to

people ont has to send presents to because they will send to you. How I wish that I might send to every one. Some little remembrance, no matter how small. This little kimono cost a great deal more than I thought it would," she thought as she laid a fluff of soft daintiness on a square of pink paper. "To begin with, the silk was more expensive than I supposed it would be, and it took more lace that I had counted on, and then I had to buy a better deal on, and then I had to buy a better deal on, and then I had to buy a better deal on, and then I had to buy a better deal on, and then I had to buy a better deal on, and then I had to buy a better deal on, and then I had to buy a better deal on, and then I had to buy a better deal on, and then I had to buy a better deal on, and then I had to buy a better deal on, and then I had to buy a better deal on, and then I had to buy a better deal on, and then I had to buy a better deal on, and then I had to buy a better deal on, and then I had to buy a better deal on, and then I had to buy a better deal on, and then I had to buy a better deal on, and then I had to buy a better deal on, and then I had to buy a better deal on, and then I had to buy a better deal on, and then I had to buy a better deal on, and then I had to buy a better deal on, and then I had to buy a pair of kid gloves a luxury, while the kid gloves went to a city relative, who would sigh mournfully because they would sigh mournfully because they work and the better deal on the better deal on the better deal of the bett smoothed and patted and straightened and smothed. "But Inez has everything so lovely I couldn't give her anything inexpensive, and then, too, we have exchanged presents ever since we were in school together. To be sure, the little motto she sent me last year all times to send her anything small, holder went to a short fat lady who ofr fear she might thing I had thought never wore stocks and who possessed a t, when I've always given her such beautiful things-but then one couldn't give Inez anything cheap, for everything she has is the very best." by way of emphasizing the fact even to herself, Mrs. Bagby hunted out care- her mind. fully the largest and prettiest piece of holly to tuck under the ribbon "for

She wrote a cheery little Christmas

smiling as she did so. "I'll not waste pen to forget her?" any holly on this, the dears; they will bundle to one side.

but I haven't.

she will scarcely notice it. I would have care." liked to send one to Helen's little girl. but they cost so much, and then she Cousin Emma was laid aside until later needed the dress, and I couldn't send while in its place was a dainty formal both. Oh, well, I hope some one else greeting to the stately Mrs. Leander. will send her a doll." She smoothed out Verily, "He that hath, to him shall be a red and black plaid she had bought given, and he that hath not, from him on sale and laid a Christmas card be-Isall be taken even tat whhich he hath."

tween the folds. "I simply could not find anything nice table and stared down with a satisfied enough for Louise, though I looked until I was almost cray," Mrs. Bagby sosoon as I got home from downtown, it seemed so dreadful." She looked at the weblike lace over her hand admiringly.

A few moments later Mrs. Bagby came from another room with a dollar bill in her hand, and, putting it in an will never come amiss. Girls can never envelope with a little note, remarked, have too many of such things." And as she wrote the address, "I once heard of a poor woman who said that at Christmas time everyone gave her money, and she did wish they wouldn't, for if they hadn't she would have got ribbon and poked a bit of holly under along some way without it, and, as it was, she never never had anything out of it, for it always went for food or fuel, and a handflenchief would have made it seem more like Christmas. I expect that is a good deal the way poor Mrs. Jones, but there are so many Cousin Ida feels, but what could I have bought for a dollar that would do her anny good? And this way she can get what she needs."

"I certainly have spent a fortune for ribbon and paper this year," she mur-mured as she tied up a very small present in a quantity of white paper and almost hid it under a large bow of green and red ribbon.

A dyspeptic looking pair of variegated golf gloves went to a cousin in the country, who would have counted

and lay them away to pass on to some one else the next Christmas.

Mrs. Bagby hummed and wrapped in full enjoyment of her occupation. "Footpaths to Peace" with "Joys of Living" and "Symphonies of Life" did seem very shabby by the side of addressed indiscriminately and laid the beautiful hand painted dish I sent aside, each with a sprig of holly tucked her, but it would never do this year of under the ribbon. A Nile green stock her last year's present mean-though sallow complexion and pimples, and a I never have been able to understand theater record to a girl in the country who only went to the theater once on each of the two yearly shopping visits she made to the city; but Mrs. Bagby's And Christmas spirit was in full possession of her and never a shadow crossed

At the end of an hour the mountain on her left hand absorbed the mountain on her right and it only needed a little evergreen sticking out here and note and inclosed it with a motto on there, with a few candles, to look like "The Joy of Work", done in the latest a real Christmas tree. Mrs. Bagby fashion by hand, to a poor cousin whose leaned back in her chair and gazed only means of livelihood was sewing with satisfaction at the result of her from early morning until late at night labors. "Now I believe I have everyfor \$1.50 a day, and remarked as she thing done and not a soul forgottentied the ribbon in a double bow, "Poor not a soul forgotten," she repeated Emma has so little bright and cheery, slowly, and then she stopped abruptly this red ribon and the holly will help and sat up quickly. "Why, I have forto brighten her Christmas," and she gotten Mrs. Leander, the president of laid the flat package by the smart one, the reading club. What shall I do? I sighing gently at the thought of Cousin can't make another trip downtown and Cimma.

I must send her something." And she
"I do hope the twins will like these looked at the packages as if for inbooks," she mused as she laboriously spiration. "The women always give the tied up a set of three bulkly volumes, president something. How did I hap-

Suddenly her face brightened and never notice how it is wrapped, they she began to turn packages over reckwill be so anxious to see what is inside," lessly until she found a flat one near and she smiled lovingly as she laid the bottom of the pile. "The very thing! I'll just send her this motto, "I can't decide about those hand-kerchiefs," said she to herself in leis-urely enjoyment. "I guess I will send a handkerchief or something and send one to each of the girls. I do wish I it right after Christmas. She won't had time to embroider their initials, mind if it is a little late, she will be so glad to receive something." Mrs. "Now, this doll for Lou's baby." She Bagby untied the package and changed peeped into a box lovingly. "It is so the cards and retied it, smiling joy-sweet, but I suppose the child will get fully. "Oh, I am so glad I remembered so many, like she did last year, that Mrs. Leander, and Cousin Emma won't

The simple "Merry Christmas" to

CHRISTMAS MORNING.

It is Christmas morning, the bright est and most joyous day of all the year, the one day that differs from all others. There was a legend of a time few homes to know it. far distant that is told in these words:

abroad;
The nights are wholesome; then no planets strike,
No fairy takes, no witch hath power

Let there be a deep and abiding joy to charm,
So hallowed and so gracious is the

The bird of dawning still comes to sing to the hearts of men who will night may be long and black, but no take the means to listen. And still evil evil spirit need be feared. "The bird spirits at this season are held in of dawning singest all night long." He chains; still ghosts that haunt men's foretells the glorious day by minds are driven off and powers of evil are dissipated.

The greatest gift of the season of lished on a sure foundation. gifts is the gift of happiness; the greatest lesson this which the Savior mingled with pain; those who have taught: That service and sacrifice are given most; mothers and fathers who the road to happiness; that Goodwill have given most; mothers and fathers Towrad Men is the wonder working who have seen the star in the east and

possess the soul.

Happiest are they who have given most freely and have received most thankfully. Every Christmas season proves it. Ine needs to visit but a

Peace and goodwill! Strange words to speak in a world torn by hate and destruction! Yet not so strange. There "Some say that ever 'gainst that sea-son comes Wherein our Savior's birth is cele-brated, The bird of dawning singeth all night ong;
And then, they say, no spirit can walk will of him who gives his life that the

in those homes whence have strong young men to suffer and sacrifice for a brighter day. The whose broad light the love and sympathy of men and nations shall be seen estab-

spirit which destroys all demons that have brought precious gifts.-H. E. G.

The bible is now printed in 35 more dialects than it was five years ago. On the latest list appear Nsenga, Donga, Adamawa, Dehwali and Wukingfu. The first gating bolshevism, to show cause why are tongues of African tribes while

Garfield's Figures.

Dr. Garfield has been careful to state that his 14 per cent formula is not an award, but the finding of an expert accountant. It is in essence a simple lation carried out to three decimal places. If prices in 1913 were 1, than they are now in the mining region 1.798. If wages in 1913 were 1, they are now 1,574. To bring the 1,574 of wages up to 1,798 of prices, the former sum must be multiplied roughly by 1.14. Since the miners' demands have been primarily based on the increased cost viously the co-ment of facts.

Wukingfu is spoken by the Hakka, a subpoenes against Russians, and why people numbering 15,000,000 in southern they should continue to demand the documents of the Russian southern

Phonetic Reading. From the American Legion Weekly. "Where are you going," 'the teacher

wrote on the board. "Johnny, read that," she said. Johnny did so. Then the teacher added the question mark at the end of the sentence.

"Now read it, Johnny."
"Where are you going," little button hook," said Johnny

One hundred representatives of the American Federation of labor of Kansas, of living, the Garfield procedure was obviously the correct one for an ascertain-session to promote co-operative mercansession to promote co-operative me tiling, manufacturing and banking.