O'NEILL

Lord Alfred Douglas, eight marquis of Queensbury, has brought suit against the London Evening News for printing an obituary based on a false report of his death. The defense pleaded that with the exception of the report of death all statements made by the News were correct. The obituary recalled Lord Douglas' alleged friendship with Oscar Wilde. Plaintiff's council admitted that Lord Alfred had been "misguided enough to become the constant companion of Wilde," but maintained that "in England a man is allowed to repent the follies of his youth."

John Kipling, son of Rudyard Kip-ling who has immortalized the British Tommy in verse and story, has finally been listed among the thousands of sol-diers who vanished in the war without diers who vanished in the war without leaving a clew to their fate. The last word of the author's son was in October, 1915, when he was reported wounded and missing in northern France. It was learned later he was on a British vessel bound for the Dardenelles, and he was thought to have reached the Gallipoli peninsula, where some of the flercest fighting took place. But here all trace is lost. Young Kipling was 13 years old when he entered the army.

American seedlings have been planted along the Chemin des Dames, Lille, Valalong the Chemin des Dames, Lille, Val-enciennes, in the Ardenne mountains, Luxembourg, freiand, and Scotland, American Dougias fir is growing in al-most every section of the British isles. Twenty-five million seeds have been presented by the American Forestry As-sociation to each of America's former

Skylands, country home of the late Francis L. Stetson, noted lawyer, in the Ramapo hills of New Jersey, which Andrew Carnegie called the most beautiful estate in America, has been sold to Clarence Lewis, a New York broker, of a reported price of \$250,000. The estate covers 1015 acres and was estimated to have cost between \$1,000,000 and \$3,000,000. Skylands has 28 miles of roadway, a stone manor house, lakes, sunken a stone manor house, lakes, sunken garden, golf course, and numerous lodges and outbuildings.

A postal card which was among stolen mail, found its way to the owner this week, according to the Pioneer, Boone, Is. The card was written by J. M. Kelly, of the Sloux City Printing Company, compilmenting the publisher of the Pioneer on his paper. It was dated June 10, 1921. The night of June 10 bandits stole several sacks of mail at Arion. The card, thrown away as valueless by the bandits, was found in a field, a little the worse for the wear, but was returned through the mails to the publisher. A postal card which was among stolen

lisher.

W. L. George, English novelist and feminist, whose friends say he is one man "who knows all about women," will remarry. The bride this time will be Miss Kathleen Geipel, tennis player of note and former employe of minister of munitions. The late Mrs. George died on the last American tour of the novelist. Immediately after the wedding Mr. George and his bride will sail for the United States for a lecture tour, in which the novelist will discuss the secret of domestic felicity before American audiences.

Unprecedented low water in Lake Champlain has recently revealed two an-cient battered hulks in the mud off Fort Ticonderoga, where they have lain since 1780. They are none other than the hulks of the Enterprise and the Trum-bul, of Benedict Arnold's fleet which at-tempted to capture the fort from the

British in that year. British in that year.

A Virginia woman, noticing that lightsling had struck a tree near her hen
busse, went out to look after the welfere of a hen whose eggs were son to
hatch, and found the skeleton of the hen
still sitting on the eggs, but the bones
were as clean as though they had been
scraped. The meat and feathers lay
near by not even scorched.

Mrs. Mary Ellen Smith, the first wom-

Mrs. Mary Ellen Smith, the first wom-an to sit in the cabinet of British Columbia, has resigned her position "as a protest from the women of British Columbia against public wrong doing." "I have been in the unfortunate position of having to assume responsibility of government acts without being in a position to criticize," she explains.

A church in Denver last Sunday night A church in Denver last Sunday night paid worshipers 25 cents each as an object lesson against miserliness. Each person entering the door was given an envelope with a brand new quarter in it. On the envelope was printed a series of things the quarter was too small to buy, and the series ended with this: "Bust most people think I am terribly big when I come to church." The pastor preached I come to church." The pastor preached

I come to church." The pastor preached a sermon on miserliness. Shortly after issuing notice that gam-bling must stop, the mayor of Helena, Ark., found a note on his deak saying: "We commend you for this stand and pledge you our support. Ku Klux Klan."

A two months old strike in the Virgin islands is threatening the next augar crop. The strike is the result of the decision of sugar planters to reduce the wages of field laborers to the pre-war basis of 50 cents a day; or, on a piece basis of 51 to 51 25 per day. basis of \$1 to \$1.25 per day.

A recent poisoning case in Paris revealed the fact that as the law now stands, there is nothing to prevent anyone from buying or selling or keeping on hand, any amount of typhoid or tuberculosis germs, or any other deadiy bacilli. Parliament will be asked to render scientific murder more difficult

Walsenburg, Colo., reports that virtually all of the independant mines of that district have announced wage reductions, some as high as 30 per cent., to enable the companies to compete with the Colorado Fuel & Iron Co., which has anounced a cut of \$1.00 a ton in the price of coal, and 30 per cent. in the wages of their miners.

Texas has declared war on the pink boll worm. It is to be "a fight to the finish, regardless of cost."

Mrs. Pat Conway, of Tom Green county, is the only woman jailer in Texas, but she has held her job for more than

Snow and cold weather has depress activities of illicit moonshine estab-ments in the northern woods, says a

Canada's field crops this year, according to government estimates, will bring an aggregate financial return of \$1,250,-

The Westinghouse company announces a \$2,000,000 contract with Japan for machinery to be used in two hydro-electric plants for the Tokio districts.

Of two operations performed the other day by Dr. Adolf Lorenz, one was a repetition of that of a couple of decades repetition of that of a couple of decades ago upon Lolita Armour, daughter of the Chicago packer. This time the operation was performed upon Frieda Weiger, 3, of Clifton, N. J., who had a congenital hip disease. The child was anaesthetized, and without the use of the scalpel the bone was manipulated back into its socket. When it was heard to snap into place the lower part of the child's body was incased into a plaster cast, and thus she will remain, just as Lolita Armour did, until the the bones have attained their natural position and function as they were intended to

ORGANIZATION IS ONLY SOLUTION

Former Congressman Tells Farmers How to Proceed To Get Highest Prices For His Products.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 16. - Dan V. Stephens, of Fremont, former congressman, told the Nebraska Farmers Co-operative Grain and Livestock Association convention Wednesday that organization was the solution of the problem of getting what he term-ed "right prices" for farm products. He said farmers' agents should be stationed at central markets to keep in touch with the producer and when the latter had some stock to sell the agent could go to the packer and ask could hold his stock at home. Such a scheme would prevent shrinkage, he

"Why, men, when we raise our stock and fatten it and ship it to the central market to sell it, we take what?" he

asked.
"Just what the packer through the commission men give us. What else can we do; we can't ship the stock back home. We pay much attention to the various ways to improve the raising and handling of stock but we have left undone, so far, the most important of the whole business—getting right prices."

GOES TO HIGH COURT TO COLLECT BALM MONEY

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 16 (Special).— Miss Jennie Fellers of Humboldt, who secured a judgment of \$22,000 against her long time sweetheart, Louis H. Howe, who had courted her for 22 years and then jilted her, was in supreme court Tuesday asking that her claim be paid out of a \$39,000 mort-

gage that Howe's mother holds.

Three days before her breach of promise suit was begun Howe sold his land in Richardson county for \$65,-000 and the purchaser gave the \$30,-000 mortgage back in the name of the mother. She claims this represents the value of her life estate in the property, together with rents and profits of past years. Howe took the remainder of the purchase price and left the jurisdiction of the court. Miss Fellers claims it is all a part of the scheme of the Howes to prevent her from getting the amount of the judg-

RAILROADS NOW SEEK TO REDUCE RATES

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 16 (Special).~ Application has been filed on behalf of all the railroads in the state for leave to make a reduction of 10 per cent, in rates on farm, garden, orchard and ranch products, to waive the usual 30 days' notice and to make the reduction effective January 1. The interstate commerce commission has given this permission on interstate shipments, and the roads now desire to have it apply to all shipments purely within state borders.

It is not certain that the commission will grant the request. It insists that the reduction ought to be at least 17 1-2 per cent., which the federal commission applied to wheat and corn but for which the suggested rate was substituted by the carriers.

NEBRASKA MAN KILLED AS TRAIN STRIKES AUTO

Norfolk, Neb., Dec. 16 (Special). Hebert Luedtke was killed Tuesday when a Northwestern train struck his auto east of Creston, it was reported in Norfolk Wednesday.

SOUTH DAKOTA NINTH AS PRODUCER OF CORN

Pierre, S. D., Dec. 16 (Special) -According to figures compiled by the state immigration department, South Dakota stands ninth in the list of corn producers for the year 1921, having taken a lead over Kansas in produc-tion of this cereal. The total production of the state for the year is placed at 116,032,000 bushels, almost 3,000,000 above Kansas. The states which stand ahead of South Dakota in their order are: Iowa, Illinois, Nebraska, Texas, Wisconsin, Indiana, Ohio, and Minnesota. Iowa leads any other state by practically 100,000,000 bushels at 428,000,000 to 304,000,000 for Illinois, the second state.

FORMER MISS CROCKER IS FACING BIG SUIT

New York, Dec. 15 .- Through the arrest last night of John C. Oldmixon, a lawyer, on a charge of extortion, it ecame known that Mrs. Amy Crocker-Gouraud, formerly Princess Mis-sinoff, was defendant in a \$100,000 alienation suit brought by Mrs. Elizabeth Schill, wife of Bruno Schill, former purchasing agent for the Esthonian republic.

Mrs. Gouraud is the daughter of the late Edwin Bryant Crocker, California millionaire, and has been four times married. She inherited a fortune and is prominent socially.

LABORITE IS ELECTED. London, Dec. 15.—The government suffered a defeat yesterday in the parliamentary bye-election in the

southeast division of Southwark, Thomas Naylor, laborite, being returned over Owen Jacobsen, coalitionliberal. Naylor received 6,561 votes; Jacobsen, 1,653 and Horace Boot, in-

STARTS NEW MOVE TO "CURB" JUDGE LANDIS

Washington, Dec. 15.—Declaring Federal Judge Landis is putting on a spectacle of barnstorming as bad as Babe Ruth, Representative Lee, republican, Brooklyn, today introduce la bill which would drive Landis out of his job as head of organized base ball. The bill, if passed, will forbid any federa judge from holding an other salaried office.

STOCKHOLDERS IN OWN MERRY WAR

Salary of President Causes His Ouster But Friends Rally and He Is Given Charge Again.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 17 (Special).— In the opinion of state officers, the real trouble that has precipitate the request of minority stockholders of the Farmers' Investment Company for a receivership and an accounting is that the company's assets are not liquid in character. The company sold about \$500,000 dollars' worth of stock to farmers in Nebraska, Iowa and thereabouts. It dealt largely in Colorado lands and farm loans. The lands are not selling now, and mortgages are not marketable either.

There have been differences of opinion between groups of stockholders in the last year. Previous to that the company had paid dividends and was prosperous. When the pinching times came complaint was made that Warren J. Lynch, the president, was paying himself too liberally in the way of commissions. For the same reason the bureau of securities had declined to allow more stock to be sold unless conditions were changed.

H. A. George became president and sued Lynch for an accounting. A little later he retired as president, and the Lynch group again came into control. It dismissed the suits and hired Lynch to run the business at \$1,000 a month. Now minority stockholders repeat these charges and demand a receiver be appointed on the ground that the company is in-

MYSTERY EXPLOSION STILL IS NOT EXPLAINED

Bayard, Neb., Dec. 17 .- Following an explosion that blew out the front of the store operated by the Sixberry Harness Company and set the structure on fire, Henry Sixberry, the pro-prietor, was found lying unconscious on a pile of bricks with severe cuts and bruises about the head.

He was rushed to a hospital, where he recovered consciousness

hours later. He was unable to offer any explanation as to the probable cause of the blaze. He said he had unlocked the door and started to enter when there was an explosion, and he re-

membered no more. Oil used on harness was kept in the building, but how it could have become ignited cannot be explained.
Sixberry's bill book, containing
more than \$100, and his keys were
missing from his person.

WORK ON YANKTON BRIDGE WILL NOT BE HALTED

Yankton, S. D., Dec. 14 (Special) .-Work on the Meridian highway bridge across the Missouri river here will go steadily forward as weather and river conditions permit in spite of the prevailing financial stringency, it was unanimously voted by the stockholders of the Meridan Highway Bridge company in annual meeting here. The sub-structure will be completed this winter, and the Nebraska approach, together with the protecting embankment to keep the river in place, will be pushed to completion before high water comes in the spring, it was decided, in preference to going ahead with the steel structure first. It is estimated this will mean postponement of the steel contracting for about four months. The chief risk, that of a change in the channel of the river, should be overcome first, the stockholders felt, and the aim will be to harness the stream to the South Dakota side as soon as possible

All directors and officers of the company were re-elected. The officers are: D. B. Gurney, president; M. P. Ohlman, vice president; E. J. Dowling, treasurer; M. R. Magner, secretary. Directors-S. M. Hohf, W. E. Heaton, M. P. Ohlman and D. B. Gurney, all of Yankton, and T. A. Anthony, of Wausa, Neb., F. W. Hoesing, of St. Helena, Neb., and W. B. Roberts, of Omaha, Neb. The report of the treasurer showed the company to be in very satisfactory financia' conditions. A total of 8,894 paying shares of stock have been sold at an expense of a little over 3 per cent.

MISS DALY TO OUTLINE HER CAMPAIGN POLICY

Mitchell, S. D., Dec. 15 (Specialing The South Dakota nonpartisan league has arranged for a public reception which is to be held at the city hall this evening for Miss Alice Lorraine Daly, the league's candidate for governor at the 1922 election. Miss Daly is expected to deliver her campaign keynote at this session.

WORK AND MATERIAL

ARE BEING DONATEL Yankton, S. D., Dec. 15 (Special) .-Yankton county is this week witnessing its first road graveling enterprise. A two-mile stretch of highway, an extension of Douglas avenue leading past the cemetery and connecting with the Meridan highway near the state hospital, is being surfaced as a community project by means of domated labor, teams, gravel and money, Moses Gudmundson, alleged leader of a cult which practiced wife sacrifice, or the interchange of wives by agreement, at a colony which he founded in the Tintic district, is on trial at Nephi, Jiah, on a charge of adultery.

INDICT MINE OFFICIALS FOR 36 FLOOD DEATHS

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 16 .- General Manager E. J. Donohue and Chief Engineer C. P. Browning, of the Britannia Mining and Smelting Company, a New York corporation, were charged with manslaughter here Thursday in connection with the reent flood at Britannia beach, which resulted in 36 deaths. A preliminary hearing will be field Friday.

PREFERRED PEN TO FIRST WIFE

THE TAX TO SELECT THE SELECT THE

Bigamist in Nebraska Prison Finally Agrees to Care for Children if Given His Freedom.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 19 .- Prison had no terrors two years ago for Harry Snethen, faced with the alternative of returning to live with his first wife or go to the penitentiary on a bigamy charge, according to the story he told the state pardon board. Snethen is a Cass county prisoner.

"The judge gave me the chance to escape prison by returning to my first wife, but I told him I preferred

the penitentiary. Snethen said.
When Snethen's appeal for pardon
was first heard, last summer, Miss
listher Nord, of Omaha, wife No. 2
in his marital treubles, appeared in
his behalf, stating she wanted to marry Snethen.

Suethen today premised to support the three children of his first mar-riage, if released. Miss Noci had objected to this proposition last summet.

HEAR BANKS' CLAIMS AGAINST FAILED INSTITUTION

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 19.-The claims of six banks in other states totalling \$20,000 on certificates of deposit held by them in the Farmers State Bank of Halsey, which failed two years ago will be heard in district court at Grand Island December 21, it is announced here. Judge B. P. Clements will hear the cases. The state is re-sisting payment out of the bank guaranty fund or the bank's assets on the ground that no money or property value was deposited in the bank at the time the certificates were is-

WOMAN HANGS SELF TO THE BED POST

Unadilla, Neb., Dec. 19.—Mrs. J. Schmidt, about 50 years old, committed suicide Tuesday by hanging herself from a bed post at her home northeast of here. The body was found by neighbors after Mrs. Schmidt's elderly mother had gone to them for help. She had called to her daughter who had gone upstairs and receiving no response and being unable to climb the stairs, called the neighbors. Mrs. Schmidt's husband and daughter were in town at the time doing their Christmas shopping. Recent financial reverses are given as the cause of her

McKELVIE PRICE PROBE IN NORFOLK MONDAY

Norfolk, Neb., Dec. 19 (Special) .-The state price investigation com-mittee opened operations in Norfolk Friday under methods which were pursued in Lincoln. Special Investigator Campbell is here preparing the probe for Secretaries Stuht, Kennedy, Hart and Attorney General Davis, who will sit at hearings which will begin Monday morning. Business men, both wholesalers and retailers, will be called in to be interviewed under oath regarding prices. This is part of Gov. S. R. McKelvie's state wide price investigation, which he hopes will help to allay unrest.

HUNTING FOR WORK, MAN IS KILLED IN RAILROAD YARDS

Grand Island, Neb., Dec. 19.-L. Robinson, of Ayer, Neb., is dead and Andrew Sneidowis, of Ottosin, Ia., is perhaps fatally injured as the result of an accident in the Ravenna yards of the Burlington at 1 o'clock Friday morning. The men were beating their way west in search of work They stepped off the rear of the train, to limber up, when it stopped and it backed over them.

HAT PIN REMOVED FROM BOY'S STOMACH

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 19 .- A five-inch hat pin was removed from the intestines of Dale Fisher, 12, a ward of the Masonic home at Humboldt, Neb. He is reported as getting along nicely.

Dale swallowed the pin a week ago when he engaged in a contest with six other lads to see who could stick the hat pin farthest down the throat. Dala won

PI PHI MATRON, 60. KILLED BY LINCOLN STREET CAR

Linceln, Neb., Dec. 19 (Special).— Mrs. A. M. Eberly, matron of the Pi Beta Phi sorority house, was struck by a street car here Friday evening and died a few minutes later. She had been house mother five years. She was 60 years old. The motorman, it is charged, made no attempt to stop his car after striking the woman.

BRITISH AIRMEN CARRY MAIL OVER DREAMY NILE

London, Dec. 16 .- Air mail service between Cairo and Bagdad has been inaugurated by the British royal air force in the middle east. The scheme is arranged as part of the regular training of the R. A. F. The length of the air line is 840 miles, the route from Cairo being via Ramleih, Am man and Ramadie to Bagdad.

A saving of 10 to 14 days will nor mally be effected by this service.

ROCK ISLAND WON'T JOHN WITH SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Chicago, Dec. 16 .- Reports that the Southern Railway and the Rock Island soon would merge into one large transcontinental line Friday were branded as false by H. G. Clark, assistant to the president of the Rock-Isl-

and. "We know nothing of the plan here," he said.

"LOVE AND A MERRY XMAS."

Holiday Giving, So Often a Perfunctory Duty, Can Have Deep Meaning if Authentic Spirit of Christmas Is Remembered.

By Prudence Bradish.

mas and the futile annual talk about spoil for us the wonderful festival of the Christ Child?

in amazenment.

From the way you talked to Aunt giving anything to me." "What in the world do you mean? What did I say to Aunt Julia?"

You said: 'Oh, dear, I wish you'd ing spirit. go and pick out your own present, Julia; I'm so busy, and I've got so many people to think of—the chil-dren and all.'" The child's imitation of her mother's querulous tone was

convulsingly accurate. "Well, you know it's true," said her mother, laughing and flushing in spite of a note of anger; for the shot went "The list of people I've got to give to is a terrible one, and I don't know that the whole thing is a sham. know when I'm going to get time to I am not declaiming against the attend to it-to say nothing of expense. Of course I like to give things to you children; that's entirely dif-

"No, I guess not; not exactly that. But people won't understand—"
"Won't understand what?" the child

'Now, Mary, don't bother me with any more questions. When you get older you'll know for yourself-"

mas. When Aunt Julia buys her own her sister's love. The little girl felt present will you write a little card this falsity, saw the truth with the like that to go with it or must she clear discernment of a child's un-

You just run along, Mary, and stop making fun of your mother."

We were all laughing, but everyone

of us knew that Mary had put her little finger on a very sore spot. Every cial spirit wi one of us felt the truth underlying relationship. her keen questions. Every one of us was to some extent in the same state of mind about Christmas giving.

The annual rebellion against Christ- should we allow the shopkeeper to

It isn't a question of the kind of less Giving" are now in full swing, as we go forth to do our share toward which we give them. I suppose there destroying the Christmas spirit and keeping alive the business of compulsory present making.

which we give them. I suppose there are people who judge the giver solely by the expensiveness of the gift, but I am sure they are not many. I ulsory present making.

A few days ago I heard a little girl think we are justified in resenting a type of the mother. say to her mother:
"I think I'd rather you wouldn't hearts that it represents a cheap cheap gift when we know in our give me anything for Christmas this spirit. I resent even an expensive year." "Why not?" exclaimed the mother, the loving thought of the giver but a perfunctory sense that he must give me something. I get more joy out of Julia about what you were going to the crudely constructed gift of a give her I just guessed that maybe you would feel the same way about something for me because he loves me than I would out of a very elaborate thing purchased hastily with mere money in a careless or grudg-

> That as I see it is what is the matter with Christmas. In older days we used to make things for Christmas: lots of them dreadful evesores from an artistic point of view, but they stood for forethought and the real love of the giver. Nowadays we rush into crowded stores at the last moment, grab the nearest thing that 'will do," and both giver and receive? I am not declaiming against the purchase of gifts, even of expensive gifts by those who can afford them.

I am not a sour old soul who gets no pleasure out of the brightly lighted "Are you going to give presents guilty as anybody, though I do try that you don't like to give?" the child ing. I am preaching to myself as well as to you who read what I write, in favor of getting the "Christmas spirit" into our own hearts first. "Who-gives himself with his gifts feeds

three," as Lowell said. No matter what Aunt Julia bought "But with every present you give she couldn't help knowing that it repyou always put a nice little card that resented a perfunctory spirit—that it embodied nothing real in the way of the couldn't help knowing that it repyous always. With love and a merry Christfor herself as a gift from her sister, spoiled sight; the mother resented it write one for herself?"

"Prudence Bradish!" cried the out of a guilty conscience.

mother, "did you ever know a girl The shops are full of wonderful like this, to ask questions just to things—to say nothing of the cheap make her mother look like an idiot? and tawdry rubbish that is there, too-and everyone of them can be either an expression of real Christ-mas love and thoughtfulness or a mere thing, embodying the commer-cial spirit which spoils every kind of

Christmas, like all other festivals, is what we make of it by the spirit f mind about Christmas giving.

In which we approach it. There is time now for all of us to make the spirit real—this year.

CHRISTMAS JOY IS ONLY SPIRIT LEGALLY PERMITTED THIS YEAR

mitted in mince pie, plum pudding distinct home. The same may be brandied cherries and other allied dishes, which in time past and here. tofore have been alleged to contain

forcement act mince ples, et cetera, permit would be needed by food man-are legal and proper if they contain ufacturers using alcohol as a preare legal and proper if they contain less than one-half of 1 per cent. of servative, but that no permit could be alcohol, but the ruling of the depart- granted to any person to use alcoholic ment sets forth clearly that culinary spirits in the manufacture of mince products in which alcohol is an ingredient can be made only by manu-facturers of food products who obtain a permit from the government.

Must Obtain Permit. Persons wishing to taint their in the commonwealth may be found christmas dinner with alcoholized either mincemeat or plum pudding or mince ple and to institute an unseemly orgy of pleasure by the manufacture and consumption of plum pudding can obtain official permis-sion only by filling out application form No. 13,921aa, on which required delicate holiday feasters.

CLOUDS OF GLORY.

When may I ever hope to see
A sight like my first Christmas tree?
I came in from the dark and cold
Prepared for gifts and games foretold,
But not for that new sense in me
Of brightness and immensity.
Sweeter than frankincense and myrrh
The burning sharpness of the fir;
Each lighted candle was a dart
Piercing with unimagined art;
The sugar angel at the top
Attacked my heart and made it stop;
The drawing room became a place
Swimming in hushed and starry space.

Time scatters dust on me and mine; The tree—the tree is still divine! Can earth repeat that rapturous gleam. Or heaven prove such a heavenly dream? —V. H. Friedlaender, in The Spectator.

Super-Guile at Washington.

To the number of helinous conspiracies and subtle propagandas which are going on at the armament conference and which constitute its real meaning add

which constitute its real meaning and the latest conspiracy revealed in anony-mous memorandum now in active circu-lation. According to this bit of truth

about the conference the whole scheme was engineered by Great Britain and the United States for the purpose of putting Japan in a hole. A partial list of explanations of the real meaning of the conference would now run about as folabout the conference the whole scheme

lows: The conference is an Anglo-Japanese

plot directed against the United States, which is to be invelgled into surrendering the paramount position on the seas which is within her reach.

The conference is an American-Japanese plot against Great Britain for the American of the British mastery of the

destruction of British mastery of the

The conference is an Anglo-American plot against Japan for purposes stated

in our first paragraph.

The conference is an Anglo-American plot against French prestige on the con-

The conference is a Franco-American plot against British oil domination in

the Near East.
The conference is a Hughes-Harding plot against the United Statees Senate.
Only the lack of space and the neces-

sity of going to press prevent the ex-posure of many additional conspiracies that could easily be enumerated.

Look not on the mince meat when permits may be issued. It will be Look not on the mince meat when permits may be issued. It will be it is ripe, for it kicketh like a white mule and bringeth a prohibition agent stealthly into the home to spy out the evil thereof. out the evil thereof.

Comes now, out of Washington, department ruling, No. 772, that only the Christmastide spirit will be perbased and between the company and the company of the company and the company of the compa

alcoholic spirits.

It is true that under the official Orbison, federal prohibition director interpretation of the prohibition en-

ple or other foods destined for im-mediate consumption. He indicated that he believes the state of Indiana to be faithful and true to the law and that nowhere as may be eaten with impunity and safety, under Paragraph 47 of Section A and B of the Eighteenth amendment, by the most tender and

A NEW KU KLUX.

NEW Ku Klux Klan to ply its A trade in the northern states is being organized with headquarters in Philadelphia. It is a result of the split between northern officials and the imperial wizard, Col. William Joseph Simmons, of Atlanta, Ga. The intention of the organizers is to enlist the support of the disaffected members of the older body. The new name is the Patriotic Voters' League. The thing should be scotched in its infancy.

The leader of the movement gave away the idea back of it all when he declared: "I am going out tomorrow to get some money and I will get more money than Clark and Tyler ever had."

That's it: Get the money! No wonder the leader is boastfully confident, with a sucker born every min-

The Irish Free State, dispatches say, will insist on being a member of the League of Nations, so that the territorial integrity of the island will be guaranteed as against external aggression by that much discussed Article X. Holy smoke!

From Pittsburgh Caronicle-Telepgrah.

During a train journey a man dashed down the corridor of a sleeping car call-Has anyone any whiskey? A lady has

fainted in the next car."
A flask was handed to him
He took a liberal drink, returned the
flask and then said calmly:

"It always upsets me so to see & lady