

Greetings of the Season!

Appreciating the kindness of our many friends, and the substantial result of this friendship—a growing patronage, we are not unmindful of the part you have had in contributing to our success.

Accordingly, we take this opportunity of wishing you each and every one a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Kroehler Brothers

A Happy Holiday!

—It is our wish that you may enjoy this Christmas season to the limit of enjoyment

—and that the coming New Year may be one filled for prosperity for each and every one.

S. S. CHASE

May You All Prosper:-

—It is our wish that all may enjoy the forthcoming holiday season; that the blessings of health, happiness and prosperity may continue to be with us all throughout the coming year.

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There is something really Christmassy about the Victrola; it brings with it happiness for all the year. Like the old-fashioned fireplace, it becomes a rallying point for the whole family. And as for true Christmas spirit—nothing is more welcome than Victor Records, when they are chosen with the particular taste of the recipient in mind. We can help you choose just the Victrola that will delight the folks. Drop in today and hear some of the world's greatest artists, perfectly reproduced by Victor Records.

J. W. CRABILL

Plattsmouth, Nebraska

THE PRICES OF DANCING HIGH

While Many Lines Have Shown Lowering Prices, the Cost of Promoting Dances Still Expensive.

With the mounting costs of all the necessities and luxuries that have prevailed over the country for the past year, the lovers of the dance have felt the pinch of the high prices in the increasing charge for dancing that has come as a necessity following the upward trend of all prices. In this city it has been impossible to avoid the increasing cost and at the same time give the dancers the best of music and well arranged dances that they have been used to. During last season and this year as well the K. K. O. dancing club has had Dick DeFord and his jazzsters here for their dances while the American Legion has staged Carl Lamp of Omaha for a number of the dances, and these high class musical organizations have of course, cost a great deal of money. The scale at which the musicians in the city play has been increasing as the members of the union were forced to meet the high cost of living and this has led to the demand for more money and the consequent advance of the price of admission to the dances. The hall rent has also shown an increase over that of two years ago as well as the fact of increased expense in the tax demanded by the government and the whole has resulted in making it almost necessary to demand \$1.50 as an admission in order to anywhere near break even on the proposition. It had been hoped by the K. K. G. club to be able to give the dances at a lower admission price but as their expenses are still at the peak they have been unable to do this and the prices for the dances for the present at least must remain where they have been until the downward trend of the present day prices reaches the point, where they will affect the costs of producing the dances. As it is there is very little made on any of the dances given in the city for those who promote them, and those who enjoy this means of recreation should appreciate the efforts of their friends and share with them the cost of the dance without complaint.

For a mild, easy action of the bowels, try Doan's Regulents, a modern laxative. 30c at all stores.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Farmers Mutual Fire & Live Stock Insurance company of Cass county, Nebraska, will be held at the Taylor school house, District No. 45 in Plattsmouth, on Saturday, January 8, 1921, at 1:30 p. m., for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year and transacting such other business as may legally come before the meeting.

J. P. FALTER, Secretary.

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SAYS OFFICIALS ARE THE COAL PROFITEERS

Director of Dealers' Association Adds Railroad Men Also in on Graft—Names Are Kept Secret.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.—Charges that government officials joined in coal profiteering during the period of shortage last summer were made by George H. Cushing, managing director of the American Wholesale Coal association, testifying under oath today before a senate investigating committee. In an executive session of the committee, according to Senator Calder, republican, New York, its chairman, was furnished by Mr. Cushing with the names of one man, said to have been a principal in an operation by which a group of men in government service obtained 450,000 tons of coal, which they sold after at a profit of \$600,000. Railroad officials and one army officer also participated in the profit-making, Mr. Cushing was said by Chairman Calder to have charged. This phase of Mr. Cushing's testimony before the committee overshadowed the rest of his statement, which was to effect that the coal shortage last summer was due to "panic" and largely caused by statements of the interstate commerce commission, the geological survey the railroad administration and the senate interstate commerce committee telling the consuming public about a coal shortage this winter.

Chairman Calder later recounted a part of Mr. Cushing's statement, saying that no names would be made public until investigation of the charges was completed. Certain officials, it was said Cushing testified, were able to obtain information as to communities where shortage conditions were particularly feared, and possessed information as to the effect of priority orders obtained of the information for furnishing coals. These officials were also said to have information as to coal in transit and to have been able to obtain supplies which could be diverted to more lucrative markets.

The government official named by Cushing was said by the witness to have resigned some time ago.

As to the condition today, Mr. Cushing contended that "anybody can buy coal almost at his own price," and marked that "if the railroads hold up, and there isn't a resumption of world war, Americans can forget they have a coal problem for twenty-five years."

Production would exceed all known records, he said, if maintained at the present rate until April 1, when the coal year ends.

Heavy, impure blood makes a muddy, pimply complexion, head aches, nausea, indigestion. This blood makes you weak, pale and sickly. For pure blood, sound digestion, use Burdock Blood Bitters \$1.25 at all stores.

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TRAGEDY AT SEWARD--TWO ARE KILLED

MAYOR SHOT TO DEATH BY SON-IN-LAW WHO SLASHES HIS OWN THROAT.

Seward, Neb., Dec. 21.—George Merriam, mayor of Seward, was shot and instantly killed at 8 p. m. today by Patrick McFarland, his son-in-law.

After wounding Mrs. Merriam in the breast and hand, McFarland cut his throat with a razor, dying almost instantly.

Mrs. Merriam, an invalid, was taken to the home of a neighbor, where it was stated that her chances for recovery are slight.

Three shots entered Merriam's body, one penetrating the skull and another the chest. The third has not been located.

McFarland, in the opinion of his acquaintances, blamed his parents-in-law for domestic troubles. His wife, formerly Miss Jessie Merriam, and their 3-year-old boy, had lived at the Merriam home since divorce proceedings had been instituted by the former. Brooding over his troubles had unbalanced McFarland, it is believed.

McFarland, anxious to gain possession of the child, had called at the Merriam home early in the evening. The only other member of the family, Lieutenant J. Merriam, was a member of the cast of an American Legion play being staged at the Young Men's Christian association.

After a short conversation, McFarland emptied his gun, five shots entering the bodies of Merriam and his wife.

He made no attempt to harm his wife or babe.

Merriam, about 70 years old, had been secretary of the Mutual Protective Fire association of this place for twenty years. He also had served Seward county for eight years as clerk of the district court. He had been mayor for three terms.

McFarland, 45, married Miss Merriam seven years ago. At times he went by the name of Andrews, that of his mother after her second marriage. He was a contractor by trade, but had conducted a soft drink parlor since coming here.

Mrs. McFarland is about 32 years of age.

JOE STECHER ILL WITH NEURITIS

Joe Stecher and Mrs. Stecher are at the Fontenelle hotel and have been since Sunday evening, and as Joe is under the care of Dr. Dishong, they are apt to remain there for some days, immediately after his late match with Ed Lewis, Joe was taken quite ill with neuritis of the neck and left arm, and despite several pressing engagements on the tapis, at the advice of a physician he took the first flyer home.

Since his arrival here Sunday morning, Mrs. Stecher came down from their home at Dodge and has been with him ever since. While Joe's condition is not alarming, he offers a great deal, and will be kept absolutely quiet until he begins to show signs of material improvement, when he will go to Dodge for several weeks of absolute rest. He has been compelled to cancel all matches in his meantime, and confine himself exclusively to getting well.

That the big fellow is considerably worried is quite evident, as the maddy is confined to his left arm, and it is his left arm, principally, that has made him famous at his chosen profession.

The peerless fellow had no alibi to offer for his late reverse, but his physician has. Tony Stecher and wife will arrive from Dodge this afternoon, and will remain here until Joe feels able to go home.—World-Terald.

SOLDIERS WESTWARD BOUND

Yesterday a special troop train passed through the city over the Burlington, westward bound and carrying eighty men, comprising battery F, 11th Field Artillery. The battery was from Camp Grant, Ill., and en route to Honolulu, where they are to be stationed. The battery carried their equipment of field howitzers with them as well as the caissons and other equipment. The soldiers enjoyed a short stay in Lincoln on their way west and were exercised there on the first lap of the long trip westward.

NOTICE BOY SCOUTS

The Boy Scouts will meet tomorrow afternoon at the high school building. Troop 1 will meet at 5:15 p. m., and Troop 2 at 6:30. All members of the scouts are urged to attend. By order of the Scoutmaster.

A SPLENDID BARGAIN

Now is the chance to purchase ladies ready-to-wear garments at 33 1/3 per cent discount from the prevailing prices and also secure extra votes for your favorites in the doll contest, at the M. Fanger store in this city. Now is your chance to secure a good bargain and also help out the little girls.

SHOT GUN FOR SALE.

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Sweet Potatoes	Almonds
Cauliflower	Mixed Nuts

Currants, Seedless Raisons, Citron, Orange and Lemon Peel, Candied Cherries, Candied Pineapple, English Walnut Meats, Pecan Meats, Almond Meats, Etc.

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H. M. SOENNICHSEN,

PHONES 53 AND 54

PLATTSMOUTH

Accept Our Greetings:-

—and be assured that we are wishing you one and all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

—It is our sincere desire that the coming of the New Year may bring you continued prosperity, abundant health and happiness.

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The Season's Greetings:-

Among our assets we like to count the only one money cannot buy—your good will.

And so at this Holiday Season we extend to you, not as a customer alone, but as a friend, the best of wishes for the coming year.

E. J. RICHEY