

ed look in her eyes. She spoke so little. "The scribbler" said he lost command of his eloquence before her. Only Uncle Bob of us all, had jolly words and jokes for Dingus, which made the strange wrinkled laugh on his face again. And for his mother, there was always that wonderful child's smile.

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It seemed to rest there when he lay in his coffin in the bare room with the sunshine stealing through softly and falling on the flowers we had brought. It was Sunday, so all the store people were there. Uncle Bob looked silent and stony in the black suit in which we hardly knew him. "The scribbler" never looked up but once and that was when the little mother of Dingus slipped across the room to where Mike was sitting with his head on his arms over the back of the chair, and laid her hand softly on his shoulder.

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Y. M. C. A. Social.

The regular annual business meeting and social of the Young Mens Christian Association was held in their cozy parlors on Saturday evening, March 1. The officers elected for the ensuing year are: President, D. M. Davis; vice-president, R. P. Teele; recording secretary, John Boose; corresponding secretary, J. H. Kuhns; treasurer, R. D. Hunt. The reports of the various committees were then read, showing efficient progress along all lines of Christian work. After the business meeting, a general reception was held, and a truly social hour was enjoyed. This was terminated by the informal banquet presided over by Toastmaster Kuhns. Nuts and jokes were cracked and the candy was properly disposed of. Everyone present seemed at his best; the spirit of jolly good fellowship ran high; and the maximum of real true social enjoyment was closely approximated. The association then discussed favorably a number of enterprising association projects among which were the organization of a wheel club, tennis club, base ball nine, etc. Cap turned out the lights that night on a happy, earnest band of co-workers for the master.

Bryan Addresses the Silver Club.

Hon. W. J. Bryan discussed the "Retirement of the Greenbacks" to a magnificent gathering of students on last Tuesday night. The chapel was well filled when President Koenigstein of the Silver League called the meeting to order and introduced the distinguished speaker. Mr. Bryan entered at once upon the discussion of his subject. He opposed the retirement of the greenbacks because it was gross favoritism in the interest of banking corporations. The people were denied privileges that were extended to money syndicates by those entrusted with legislation. The speaker explained the organization of National banks and pointed out clearly how a banker may buy government bonds, and then issue bank notes to the amount of ninety per cent of the bonds and draw interest both on the bonds and the ninety per cent circulation. A private individual can buy bonds but he cannot issue notes against those bonds and draw interest on the notes as the banks do. He vigorously opposed such a system for it was opposed to the first great declaration of independence that "all men are created equal." For the same reason he opposed the sub-treasury scheme recently advocated in the west and south. Mr. Bryan quoted from Wendell Phillips, the great champion of freedom, to sustain his position. He denounced the policy of this administration in paying out gold on all obligations when demanded, and proved from the recent utterances of Sherman and Carlisle that if it had not been begun it would now be unnecessary. He explained the "endless chain" that permits a holder of greenbacks to present them to the treasury department and draw out gold to purchase bonds. When bonds are sold the gold is put into the reserve again and the note holder again presents greenbacks and gets the gold to buy more bonds and the same gold is again put into the reserve and the people compelled to pay interest on the bonds. The only ones that profit are the bankers that buy the