

MURDER IS STILL MURDER

Theodore Roosevelt Writes Further of McNamara Cases.

SINISTER CLASS SELFISHNESS

Labor Leaders Who Have Succeeded in Identifying Criminals with Their Cause Have Done Their Fellow a Great Wrong.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Theodore Roosevelt has an editorial in the current issue of the Outlook relating to the McNamara case, entitled "Murder is Murder." The article says:

"Not only laboring men, but business men, capitalists, have at times shown the worst form of class consciousness—that of sinister and brutal class selfishness in standing by criminals simply because they were of their own class. This has been done by capitalists in the case of capitalists who have been guilty of brazen corruption, and by laborers in the case of labor leaders who have been guilty of murderous violence. The two offenses stand on a par from the standpoint of damage to the community. In San Francisco in one municipal contest the capitalists who desired to be free from all check on corruption and the labor leaders who desired to be free from all check on lawless violence struck hands and elected their ticket; and this proved in the end to be a lasting misfortune to San Francisco, to the cause of honest business and to the cause of honest labor.

"Since the startling outcome of the McNamara trial certain apologists of these men have made themselves conspicuous by asserting that these depraved criminals, who have on their record the murder of so many innocent persons—all of them laboring people, by the way—are 'victims,' or at worst, 'fanatics,' who should receive sympathy because they were acting in what they regarded as a 'war' on behalf of their class. The plea is monstrous in its folly and its wickedness. It is precisely the kind of plea sometimes advanced on behalf of a crooked man of great wealth caught bribing a legislature—that he has to do to protect his business. We are not here dealing with any of the kinds of offenses incidental to the sudden and sweeping changes brought about by modern industrial conditions into which capitalists or labor men are sometimes drawn without any very great conscious moral turpitude on their part. We are dealing with crimes as old as the lawgiving from Sinai, with crimes—murder and theft—that have been prohibited ever since the decalogue was formulated. The murders committed by men like the McNamaras, although nominally in the interest of organized labor, differ not one whit in moral culpability from those committed by the Black Hand, or by any band of mere cutthroats, and are fraught with an infinitely heavier menace to society. Yet, great though the menace is to the community, the menace to the cause of honest organized labor is still greater, and no duty is more imperatively laid on the leaders of labor than the duty of affirmatively freeing themselves and their followers from the taint of responsibility for such criminals and such crimes.

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mand that murder shall be punished when committed in the nominal interest of labor, precisely as under any other circumstances. I believe with all my heart in the American workingman; I believe with all my heart in organized labor, for labor must be organized in order to protect and secure its rights; and therefore with all my strength I urge my fellow citizens, the American men and women who earn their livelihood as wage workers, to see that their leaders stand for honesty, and obedience to the law, and to set their faces like flint against any effort to identify the cause of organized labor, directly or indirectly, with any movement which in any shape or way benefits by the commission of crime of lawless and murderous violence."

Hines Objects to Questions Asked by Lorimer Committee

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Edward Hines, the millionaire Chicago lumberman, who is said to have helped "put Senator Lorimer over" at Springfield, was again a witness before the senate Lorimer committee today, but did not long remain on the stand. Mr. Hines had been recalled by the committee's counsel for further questioning as to just what happened in a private room of the Union League club in Chicago, March 27, 1909.

Mr. Hines was belligerent and when he did not like a question demanded that it be stricken from the record. Hines is alleged to have met other men at the club to help raise a supposed \$100,000 fund to insure Lorimer's election.

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New Books

Fiction. HER ROMAN LOVER. By Eugenia Brooks Frothingham. 27 Pp. \$1.25. Houghton, Mifflin Company.

This novel tells the story of Anne Warren's winter in Rome. Anne, a beautiful, sensitive and very perceptive American girl, speedily falls in love with a young Italian, not of the nobility, but a gentleman, who passionately wooes her. The portrayal of Gino Curatolo, the Italian lover, and of the background of Roman society, is masterly and convincing, while Rome, herself, the Mistress of the World, has rarely been more impressively used in fiction. The plot of the story as it develops turns upon the deep chasm which divides the Roman from the Latin in temperament and ideals.

THE TEXICAN. By Dane Coolidge. 20 Pp. \$1.25. A. C. McClurg & Co.

Another cowboy story, full of action, which pictures strikingly the stirring events of the plains.

REDEEMED. By Mrs. George Sheldon Downs. 215 Pp. \$1.25. G. W. Dillingham Company.

This story deals with the problem of divorce, but the treatment of the problem is along new lines, and the element of romance pervading the story adds to the readers' interest.

MY LADY OF DOUBT. By Randall Parrish. 201 Pp. \$1.25. A. C. McClurg & Co.

The author has chosen the war of the revolution for the scene of this story, and through the meshes of the net in which the daring and beautiful heroine and the brave and courageous hero are inextricably bound together, the great struggle for freedom and the zeal which inspired the people, is brought out.

THE FAIR IRISH MAID. By Justin Huntly McCarthy. 255 Pp. \$1.25. Harper & Brothers.

A romance of the eventful days when the name of Bonaparte was the bogey of Europe, when America and England were for the second time at odds. The heroine reigns as the queen of a London season and gives her fidelity to a lover of her humble days. Brave, witty and high-spirited, she is characteristic of her race.

FLOWER OF THE PEACH. By Percival Gibbon. 204 Pp. \$1.25. The Century Company.

The absorbing and dramatic romance of a young girl suddenly flung out of her comfortable English home into the heart of South Africa—into a strange and grimly mysterious community of Britons, Boers and Kafirs.

THE MYSTERY OF RAVENSPUR. By Fred M. White. 27 Pp. \$1.25. J. S. Ogilvie Publishing Company.

A tale of adventure, mystery and amateur detective work, with scenes laid in England, India and the distant and comparatively unknown Tibet. A band of mystics from the latter country are the prime movers in the various conspiracies.

THE THIRD MISS WENDERY. By Mabel Barnes-Grundy. 47 Pp. \$1.25. The Baker & Taylor Company.

The romance of a joyous, light-hearted girl who attracts and charms everyone by the witchery of her personality. Suddenly called into the work-a-day world, she loves and suffers, and then finds happiness back in Heatherland.

THE LITTLE GREEN GATE. By Stella Callahan. 211 Pp. \$1.25. G. P. Putnam Sons.

A love story full of beauty and charm. Through the gate that leads to Nina Maynard's garden retreat, love all unconsciously entered one day, but before the gate had closed upon his retreating elfin form, he had set in motion the drama which is the drama of the ages, with the joys and heartaches that go with it.

THE INCORRIGIBLE DUKANE. By George C. Shedd. 229 Pp. \$1.25. Small, Maynard & Co.

A western story of a new variety. Wherever Jimmy Dukane appears something happens. He is sent out to Nevada by his fond father, ostensibly for work, but actually to be kept out of mischief. Things begin to happen at once, but in the end he meets a charming girl who changes the course of his life.

Juvenile.

THE ONE-FOOTED FAIRY. By Alice Brown. 182 Pp. \$1.25. Houghton Mifflin Company.

The only collection of Miss Brown's fairy stories—selected from those which have most delighted children.

PINKY WINKY STORIES. By Margaret Johnson. 75 Cents. Dana Estes & Co.

This little book possesses the attractions of a story, game, picture book and puzzle, all in one. The short narratives are related by means of words and rebus illustrations, which alternate cleverly on the page and attract and please the eye of the child, as well as impart valuable information.

THE MAGIC AEROPLANE. By Mrs. L. R. Henderson. 24 Pp. \$1. The Reilly & Britton Co.

A fairy tale which the little tots will want to read over and over again.

OTHER RHYMES FOR LITTLE READERS. By Wilhelmina Seemiller. 21 Pp. \$1.25. Rand, McNally & Co.

The entire book reflects the wholesome, sunny spirit of a good-natured child. The verses are divided into five sections, "In Garden and Orchard," "In the Meadow," "Sea Songs," "Play Times" and "At Home."

THE JAUNTS OF JUNIOR. By Lillian E. Hunt. Harper & Bros.

It is first of all a book of photographs of a real boy—who is made to appear no taller than a lead pencil. The pictures show him bathing in a canary's bathtub, fishing in the gold fish bowl, much taller than himself, racing over the keyboard of the piano, playing leapfrog over the salt cedars—and many other marvels.

MOTHER WEST WIND'S CHILDREN. By Thornton W. Burgess. 243 Pp. \$1. Little, Brown & Co.

Johnny Chuck, Reddy Fox, Danny Meadow Mouse, Jumper the Hare, Striped Chipmunk, and many of their playmates, live and frolic through the long days, under the rule of wise old Mother Nature, who has her own way.

DOROTHY DAINTY AT THE MOUNTAINS. By Amy Brooks. 243 Pp. \$1. Little, Brown & Co.

In this volume Dorothy and her dear little friends, Nancy Fernie, are taken to a well known land at a beautiful mountain resort, where are also many of their friends.

NONSENSE-INDEX. OR THE ROYAL CHILDREN. By Anne Allen Christie. 275 Pp. \$1.25. Harper & Brothers.

The author tells the romantic tale of the royal children of the king's son who leaves the clayey case and luxury of the contented kingdom, and of the lovely

Overcoat Sale

This season's latest creations, 46 to 52 ins. long—plain velvet or convertible collars—some with belts; all colors. The overcoats are broken lots and sold up to \$22.50—on sale Saturday at \$14.50



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You will never feel contented with your Xmas gift that you purchase for him unless you first visit this store. Never before has there been such a large assortment of the very newest novelties suitable for men and boys exhibited in Omaha—Lounge Robes, Bath Robes, Smoking Jackets, Neckwear, Combination Sets of silk hose and handkerchiefs in fine leather cases, Tie Rings, Silk Suspenders, Umbrellas, Toilet Sets, Traveling Bags and hundreds of other novelties. See our novel Xmas Booth—something new for Omaha. See our 24 windows filled with beautiful holiday gifts.

Great Reductions in Boys' Suits and Overcoats

Our entire stock of Boys' and Children's Suits and Overcoats go on sale at once—Russian, Sailor Blouse, Norfolk and double breasted knickerbocker style suits, all this season's models. Overcoats in single or double breasted, box or military style, with convertible collar and belted, all this season's models; go on sale at the following prices—

Table listing prices for suits and overcoats: \$3.50 Suits or Overcoats, now \$2.50; \$3.75 Suits or Overcoats, now \$3.50; \$4.50 Suits or Overcoats, now \$4.50; \$5.00 Suits or Overcoats, now \$4.50; \$6.00 Suits or Overcoats, now \$5.50; \$7.50 Suits or Overcoats, now \$6.50; \$8.00 Suits or Overcoats, now \$7.50; \$10.00 Suits or Overcoats, now \$7.50.



Suit Sale

Broken lots of Men's Suits, several hundred to select from, all sizes and colors; formerly sold up to \$20.00; on sale Saturday at \$11.50

BRITONS BAR AMERICAN MEAT

Packers Cannot Bid on Army Contract Until Suits Are Settled.

ARMOUR REFUSES TO COMMENT

Notice Says Bids Will Not Be Considered as Long as Meat Kings Are Under Indictment at Home.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—The British government has decided to exclude the American meat packers against whom prosecutions have been instituted in the United States from tendering for contracts for the supply of meat to the British army and navy, pending the settlement of suits.

POWER OF HUMAN JAWS

Strength Exerted by Muscles and Molars in Chewing an Ordinary Steak.

A ten-pound bite requires a forty-pound contraction of the human jaw muscles. That is because the jaws are built on the principle of a pair of tongs. The power is applied near the joint, while the work is performed at the opposite extremity of the jaw levers. Had a mechanical engineer designed the human frame he would, no doubt, have built the jaws after the fashion of a nut cracker, with the muscles placed at the ends of the jaw levers, and the teeth between these ends and the joint or fulcrum, so that a powerful bite could be obtained with a very small expenditure of muscular effort. However, in the physiology of man and all other animal life, for that matter, mechanical advantage weighs for little in the presence of other broader considerations. This is why nearly all the principal muscles of the body must be far more powerful than would be necessary were they to act directly upon the work. When chewing we have an almost direct application of the power of the muscles, as they nearly overlie the third molars. There is a vast difference between chewing and biting.

ARMOUR DECLINES TO TALK

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—J. Ogden Armour, president of Armour & Co., under indictment for alleged violation of the Sherman anti-trust act, admitted that the Armour company had been notified that its bids for British army contracts would not be accepted pending the settlement of suits by the United States government. Mr. Armour, however, declined to in

HITTING THE PENSION ROLL

How the Little Frauds with Spain Served to Fatten the Hoaster.

The recent report of the commissioner of pensions brings out the startling fact that within thirteen years of the close of the war with Spain, and eleven after the subsidence of the Philippine insurrection, there are no less than 23,383 invalid soldiers of those wars on the pension rolls, in addition to 3,022 dependent mothers, 823 fathers, nine brothers and sisters, 1,217 widows, and 37 children. In all, there are 28,490 pensioners as a result of these wars—actually a larger number than there were soldiers in the regular army at the outbreak of the war with Spain, and probably 10,000 more than there were troops before Santiago.

In addition, there were 8,338 Spanish war claims pending on June 30, 1911. Already we have paid out \$3,412,378.77 in pensions for services against the Spanish and Philippine, as against a total of \$45,883,913 paid for pensions to the warriors of 1812, and \$45,279,886.83 expended in the support of veterans of the Mexican war during a period of sixty-five years. Now, when it is considered that active hostilities against Spain did not last over three months, with only one large battle—it would not have been called that in the civil war—the sum already expended seems little else than stupendous for the services rendered.

Today there are still 1,639 pensioners at

any way discuss the situation or its effect on the cases now being tried here.

Car of Christmas Gifts Burned Near Great Falls, Mont.

HARVE, Mont., Dec. 15.—Whole companies of soldiers were annihilated and countless animals, wild and domestic, perished when a mail car on the Great Northern railroad took fire between Harve and Great Falls today. All the casualties were due to the progressiveness of Santa Claus in abandoning the old, reliable reindeer team for the swifter lightning express. The fact that the soldiers were of tin and the animals of wood will soften only partially the grief of the settlers' children to whom the Christmas packages were mailed by eastern friends.

The car was loaded with second and fourth class matter and carried no postal clerk. Its interior was a mass of flames when the fire was discovered. The engineer threw the throttle wide open in a race for the nearest water tank and Big Sandy the burning car was flooded.

Every Member of the Household Is Deeply Interested in This Christmas Offer

New Talking Machine actually secures results hitherto possible only in instruments costing \$150 and \$200



Our Great Special Xmas Offer

For \$59—This beautiful machine with 24 latest and best selections included. \$7 cash, \$5 a month.

We are Positive that this Great Value can Never Again be Secured! Make Your Selections Right Away—Pay Later

A NEW Talking Machine of latest hornless type, which produces in every way the results obtained heretofore only in instruments that cost \$150 or \$200, has now been developed. Six hundred of these machines will be sold in Omaha before Christmas. In an undertaking of this magnitude many additional advantages aside from the extraordinary low price can be offered to each buyer. Twelve superb records, among them selections like the famous Rigoleto Quartet, and also the Lucia Sextet, for which two records alone many talking-machine devotees have had to pay \$13, will be included with each machine sold. Or buyer's own selection of records will be supplied. This wonderful new talking machine may be purchased on terms of \$7 cash and \$5 a month until \$59 all told has been paid. No extra. The machine and the records will be sent on three days' free trial to any home in the city. So confident are we that the instrument will please even the most critical that we agree to refund all money paid by any purchaser who may not in every way be satisfied with the instrument. An unconditional guarantee as to material and workmanship accompanies each instrument sold, the guarantee being signed by the manufacturers and countersigned by us. The instrument is furnished in very choice mahogany case, and also in quarter-sawn oak or fumed oak. The finest selected woods are used in the construction of the cases and the finish is as perfect as found upon the most expensive pianos. Needless to reiterate, this hornless talking machine is simply perfect in tone and quality. The instrument is equipped with largest size turntable, and the very best thoroughly noiseless triple-spring motor. It will play three records with one winding, and has a new regulating device whereby the music can be rendered at exact tempo—positively true to pitch. The machine has a new concert sound reproducer which eliminates the hitherto objectionable rasping noise of needles. A clear, thoroughly natural tone is produced such as has never hitherto been obtainable in any instrument costing less than \$150 or \$200. In this machine the concealed horn is built separately from the motor, which permits the tone to come forth without any interference. The sound-boards in this machine are carefully selected and so placed as to reproduce a tone absolutely lifelike. Modulating doors have been provided whereby the tone volume can be definitely regulated and reduced or augmented at will. The price is, as stated, \$59; cash or payments of \$7 cash and \$5 a month. This includes free the big selection of records stated in the foregoing. The instruments are now on sale at

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