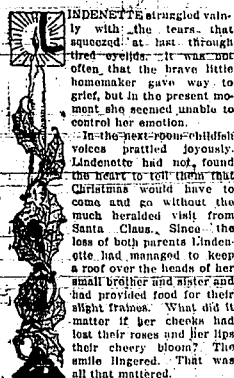

Santa's Christmas

By MARY D. ARNOTT



LINDENETTE struggled vainly with the tears that squeezed at last through the eyelids. It was not often that the brave little homemaker gave way to grief, but in the present moment she seemed unable to control her emotion.

In the next few minutes voices prattled joyously. Lindenette had not found the heart to tell them that Christmas would have to come and go without the much heralded visit from Santa Claus. Since the loss of both parents Lindenette had managed to keep a roof over the heads of her small brother and sister and had provided food for their slight frames. What did it matter if her cheeks had lost their roses and her lips their cherry bloom? The smile lingered. That was all that mattered.

She brushed her tears aside and arose to answer an unexpected summons from the knock. She looked her surprise at the great man who stood on her tiny porch.

"Have come in search of one Linden Lane," the stranger said with a smile to which the girl responded.

"The name is unusual," admitted Lindenette, "and my own is even more impossible—being Lindenette. Lane. May I ask you in from the cold?" She opened the door and Marvin Goodwin entered the pitifully barren room into which she led him. His eyes followed the girl rather than the contents of the room.

Two small, pale faces peered at him from the kitchen door, and Goodwin smiled at them.

"Do I look like Santa Claus?" he asked them by way of breaking the ice.

"No, you don't," returned the boy, bluntly. "Besides, Linda says it can't be too cold for Santa Claus to come out this year." There was a wall from the little sister, and the boy strove to conceal his disappointment at this announcement.

Linda gave from each a hug and told them to run along. When they had gone she turned to Goodwin with inquiry in her eyes.

"My errand is a pleasant one," he said quickly, "for my own voice was none too controlled. It will add to your happiness, I know. He drew a memorandum from his pocket, and after consulting it, asked: "Your father—Linden Lane—did he live in Stillwater, Minn. 22 years ago?"

"Yes," replied Linda, with a flush of excitement leading roses to her cheeks. "It was born there."

"Then, to come directly to the point," Goodwin told her, "we find two depositions."

His of \$25 each in two of our banks there. One Linden Lane opened the account 22 years ago.

Linda laughed softly.

"My father used always to fear bank failures, and put small amounts in many banks." She turned sparkling eyes upon Goodwin. "We thought we had collected all his savings," she said.

"These two notes were undisturbed,"

erred: "the man laughed, "and the hens have been laying golden eggs. You have, at this, very minute \$300—"

"Three hundred dollars! Oh!" she impulsively held out her two forefingers. "It is a fortune! The children! They can have their Santa Claus!"

"Goodwin found himself feeling happier than he remembered having felt before. Was it the knowledge that he had been the Good Fairy in this small family, or was it something more subtle, more wonderful that had crept into his mind?

He laughed a trifle nervously.

"I am going to ask for immediate payment for the joy I have found for you," he said and when Linda's questioning eyes met his he said impetuously: "Let me come tomorrow—and help make Christmas glad for the children—May I come?"

Linda glanced at him with a new shyness. "Yes," she said, simply. "If you like I will go with you to help get that Christmas tree."

Next morning Linda and the children were up early.

The crackling of the fire as it roared up the stovepipe created a spirit of cheerfulness that greeted Marvin Goodwin when he presented himself at an early hour.

"Oh!" shouted Bobby, "here's our own Santa Claus!" His eyes were glued to the arrival of packages Goodwin brought in on the table.

"Bobby!" cried Linda.

"Haven't you ever been Santa Claus before?" queried Peggy.

"Never. This is my very first experience. I hope I will acquit myself with proper dignity."

And Linda's eyes, over the heads of the children, looked down deep into Goodwin's big soul, and unconsciously she let the man read what her heart was saying.

"Next Christmas," he was saying in his mind, "Linda will have permanent roses in her cheeks, and her eyes will be smiling, and she will tell all the happlines one Santa Claus could have."

Lindenette smiled.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Sealed bids will be received up to two o'clock P. M., December 28, 1914, by the board of county commissioners, at Twin Falls, Idaho, for the construction of a steel or steel and wood highway bridge across Snake River, south of Murtough, Idaho, at a definite location and according to plans and specifications to be adopted by the said board; also for the grading of the approach to said bridge on the south side of Snake River.

Alternate plans for the bridge will be on file with the county auditor of Twin Falls county on and after December 15, 1914.

Said bids must be accompanied by a certified check payable to the chairman of the board of county commissioners of Twin Falls county, Idaho, for a sum not less than five per cent (5 per cent) of the amount bid, to be forfeited if the successful bidder fails to enter into a contract according to the plans and specifications on file and as referred to.

The board reserved the right to reject any and all bids.

Dated December 8th, 1914.

Attest: C. H. TAYLOR, Chairman.
Dec 11-1914
C. E. J. FINCH, Clerk.

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Rosie's Sandy Man

By IRENE REACH

"OH DEAR! I wish I had a sister," sighed Rosie Perrotto.

"Maybe he is sick," said the brother, as he dusted carefully the array of fruit arranged with such a holiday air in the narrow window of his shop.

"You're kidding! You wait, Sandy man no forget!"

But Rosie, in spite of her brother's encouraging words, became very impatient. Finally she started in search of the kind friend, who was none other than the Society of the Street. Not the real Santa of Christmas eve, but a man who just pretended he was the same jovial friend of holly and cheer and wore a cloak and hat of red, faced with fur, and carried instead of a long whip, a long thin ruler, a sign which told of a wonderful toyshop just around the corner.

A week before Pietro had seen from his little shop windows this same Sandy man stagger and fall. Then both he and Rosie had helped the stranger into the fruit shop, where foot and cheer and were a cloak and hat of red, faced with fur, and carried instead of a long whip, a long thin ruler, a sign which told of a wonderful toyshop just around the corner.

It was the day before Christmas and the stranger who each day had stopped at Pietro's little shop had failed to appear.

"Maybe—he up the street somewhere," the brother had called to Rosie. "When you see him, tell him, tomorrow we look for him to eat with us."

Rosie nodded and went on down the long avenue. There was a gentle snow falling, just enough to add to the street, the touch of Christmas. But now, where could Rosie see the kind Sandy man of her dream, who had told her so wonderful tales of toys, fables and of the real country of deep hills and red sunsets.

Suddenly she thought of something, something so different that it made her heart go thumpy-thump. She would go to the wonderful toyshop, just around the corner and see for herself, if her friend was there.

But not a tired, hurried clerk of the shop had time to answer Rosie's question. Finally she approached a tall, gray-haired man standing in the center of the long aisle. She felt certain he would know something about the Sandy of her street.

"Please, do you know one, Sandy man?"

"Who?" asked the man.

"The Sandy man, who wore a red coat, cap and carried a sign?"

"No, I don't. What is it you want to buy, little girl?"

"I don't want to buy nothing. I'm just lookin' for the Sandy man of my street." He—"Then Rosie could say no more. The lumps would stick in her throat, no matter how hard she swallowed.

Just what might have happened is hard to say, if a lady standing near hadn't heard what Rosie said and wanted to help her. She knew exactly what to do.

An hour later, after seeing Pietro at his little shop, Rosie rode away with the lady, who was very beautiful, by the way, in her big automobile, to the hospital, where the poor Sandy had been taken the day before.

"It was a wonderful, curious little Rosie, who followed her friend down the long, cool hall to the ward where the sick Sandy man lay. Timidly she walked to the man's bedside. He saw her. He held out his hand. Rosie grabbed it and held it close and fast to her own little hands.

"Oh—I'm so glad you're found. Me and Pietro love you so much. I never, would have found you if the beautiful lady hadn't."

But Rosie didn't finish the sentence, for Sandy hadn't heard a word she was saying. He was staring with deep, strange eyes at the lady, who had drawn nearer the sick man's bed.

"What he wanted to say," said the lady, "was that he was very glad to see you."

"Bob," she answered.

There Rosie sat with shining eyes and a little heart thumping and listened to the wonderful story of how Sandy man and the lady, Sandy was none other than the lady's husband, whom she hadn't seen since his day, years and years ago, he ran away to sea. And the lady? She was the beautiful fairy of the toyshop.

"And did you know all the time she owned it?"

"Yes."

"Why didn't you go and see her?"

"Because I was too poor, sick and proud."

Now, of course, like all stories where fairies and Santys hold forth, everybody was glad and lived happily ever afterward. It was a wonderful day for Rosie and Pietro.

And up and down Rosie's street, too, there was gladness, for the good news had spread to the children, Rosie and the sparrows told, that the Sandy man of their street had found a sister.

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Carrier pigeons are being used with success by the Belgian signal corps. The photograph shows one of these birds before its release, with a code message on its feathers. The British also use homing pigeons.

SHORT AND DECISIVE WAR

But Not the Last the World Will See. Predicts the Army and Navy Journal.

That the war in which the great European powers are now engaged, will be short and decisive, and that it will not be so terrible as to make war impossible in the future, is the editorial opinion of The Army and Navy Journal. The Journal says:

"The present war in Europe will not be the last war, as some are rashly predicting. As long as racial prejudice exists and until there is universal brotherhood wars will occur. The treaties that will be signed at the close of the war will last until the vanquished have gained sufficient strength to attempt to regain their lost honor and territory. The war will be a short and decisive war. More men may be killed in battle, but the percentage of the casualties will scarcely be larger than in former years. Owing to improved methods of sanitation and in training soldiers, the number of deaths from disease will be reduced to a minimum. The developments of modern implements of warfare will shorten the time of the war and reduce the amount of suffering and financial loss. Within a year Europe will be in peace again, and in a few years will have recovered almost entirely from the effects of the war. It will not be so terrible that in another crisis like this nations will refuse to go to war."

LOCAL DRUGGIST MAKES MANY FRIENDS

Bedford-Elmer, Drug Co., reports they are making many friends through the QUICK benefit which Twin Falls people receive from the simple mixture of buckhorn bark, glycerine, etc., known as Adler's Ka. This remedy became famous by curing appendicitis and it is the most thorough bowel cleanser known, acting on BOTH the lower and upper bowels. JUST ONE DOSE of Adler's Ka. relieves constipation and sets the stomach almost IMMEDIATELY. —Adv.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that on January 11, 1915, I will apply to the Board of Commissioners for the duty and such other clerical assistance as may from time to time be necessary to conduct the affairs of the office of County Treasurer and Ex-officio Tax Collector.

J. HOWARD HEINE.
Twin Falls, Dec. 8, 1914.
Dec. 8-15-22-29 Jan. 5

THE CHRISTMAS STAR

By JEAN DOUGLAS.



twilight of Christmas eve crept slowly over the city, disfiguring the harsh outlines of the housetops with a soft gray blanket.

The spirit of Yuletide filled the air, and since you could not help breathing it, the joyous song of "Peace and goodwill" flooded the inner being as well.

In the corner window of an attic chamber overlooking the city stood a little child. She was thin and pale, but even these ravages of beauty could not rob her features of their loveliness. Great blue eyes and golden curls enhanced the fairy-like delicacy of her face, and though ill-she possessed the bearing of a princess. Now and again she left her post at the window and, opening the door, listened as if expecting to hear familiar footsteps ascending the stairs.

When it was almost dark and lights began to appear here and there over the housetops, like will-o'-the-wisps in a marshy bog, she drew a chair beneath the hood driven in the closet door from which an exceedingly shabby coat and weather-beaten hat were suspended. By this means she was able to reach the garments and, as soon as she had donned them, running back to the window, she scanned the city and the heavens. Just above the horizon gleamed a single star of wondrous brilliancy, and the child, enraptured by its beauty, forgot that she intended to go out and remained motionless watching the resplendent glory of heaven's jewel. The room was flooded with a soft shimmering light, and the child gave a sob of joy as she suddenly realized that the star moved. As far as she could see the same silvery radiance flooded the sky.

The glow within that tiny body sang with happiness and she softly whispered: "It is the star of Bethlehem. I must follow it, like the three wise men!"

She hastened from the room and down the flight of steps to the street. The star moved on and on, unfalteringly, and the tiny figure trembled in awe as it followed the wondrous light.

Beyond the boundary of the city, over frozen roads and frost-whitened fields, the tireless little feet withered by their worn shoes, hastened after the star.

At last she came to a tiny house nestled among a group of fir trees. From the windows came paths of yellow light, whose warmth and cheeriness drew her on.

She did not pause to knock, but lifted the latch and entered. The room was scantily furnished, but a glowing log fire bathed the homely surroundings with a glorified beauty. Seated in front of the fireplace was a woman who bent lovingly over an infant. Grouped about her were three children, while the father of this happy family stood somewhat back of the mother, hanging his head in sorrow above the mantel.

As the little stranger entered and hesitated, the children rushed forward to greet her.

"Come in, child," said the mother. The little girl moved gingerly forward. "Have I found the king?" she asked.

"The king?" questioned the proud mother. "Yes, we think baby is a king. And she placed the soft, pink face of the infant close to that of the child, who reverently kissed its cheek.

"I have brought him a gift," she whispered, shyly, offering a little head of straw. The mother stooped and imprinted a warm kiss on the tips of the tiny, red, beaver.

"He will love it, and would thank you if he could. Ben, he reaches for it now." The chubby fingers, attracted by the brightly colored beads, tried their best to grasp the sphere.

"You have given him his first Christmas gift," said the father. "Draw near the fire—you are cold—while I get a bowl of bread and milk."

The child removed her hat and coat, seated herself on the hearth stool and was soon enjoying the simple fare.

"How did you find us?" the woman asked.

"I followed the star," she replied.

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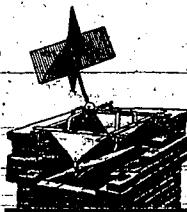
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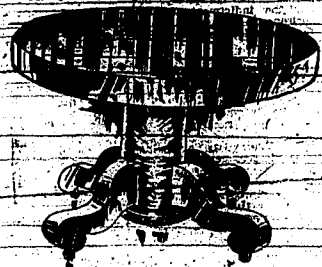
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The question of increasing the military strength of this nation has developed into an argument among the newspapers of the nation until it holds precedent even over the European war news. America is not prepared to meet any of the first-class powers on an equal basis. Such fact is admitted by both sides in the great, national issue. While the anti-war and pro-militarists are getting excited about it, the American public is just beginning to sit up and take notice and wonder what it is all about. This too, the Times thinks, is the only grave danger which confronts this nation—the utter carelessness of the average American toward the more serious problems. International discussions over tariff, finances and the thousand and one things occupy much thought of all, than the relations with other powers and the question of prestige with other nations. The Times does not believe that deep down in their hearts every American is loyal. It believes that deep down in the heart of every man, woman and child is the belief that the Stars and Stripes stands for the best land that ever existed in all times. Each one is willing to fight for the flag should the occasion arise. The principles of justice and fairness as a nation are only the unjustified expressions of its people and it is certain that these principles laid down by a nation that has had no backing by its citizens in case of war. But the present question is not whether each citizen will fight for his native land but whether he will make that fight fully prepared to meet the enemy on an equal basis or whether in the

stress of war, the loyal citizens, fighting unprepared, an unequal fight will not curse the nation which requires unnecessary sacrifices because of a wrong policy at the present peaceful moment. The Times does not believe in a big standing army. It is too costly to take men away from industry. But there is no reason why that out of the splendid manpower of the nation several million trained men cannot be prepared for any struggle which may arise without taking them from industry except in the case of actual warfare. This can be accomplished by military instruction in the schools and by the encouragement of the government to militia training. Instead of a few scattered companies in each state each community could in a short year have really a full company of men whose military training could be accomplished by one night per week with no loss to the business world and with in great deal of advantage to the individual because of the training. The war in Europe should be inducement enough to make every citizen do the patriotic thing and without compulsion make of himself at least a trained reservist capable of giving intelligent service for his beloved land in time of danger.

OUR ARMY AND NAVY
As to the efficiency of our two great military arms to protect the country, the New York World asks some very pertinent questions in connection with Representative Gardner's "fire alarm" in 1913. In 1913, the last year of the Roosevelt administration, it shows that we spent on the army nearly \$78,000,000, on the navy nearly \$99,000,000. This year the appropriations were more than \$11,000,000 for the army and \$11,000,000 for the navy. Why, then, it asks, are we supposed to be starving the army and navy into the death of inefficiency? During the last 10 years under Roosevelt and Taft the appropriations for the navy were nearly \$1,000,000,000. And yet Mr. Gardner says, "we started a navy, but have not got it," and that "each commander of the navy, out of pride, prides his own ship, but says most of his crew are 'dead'." What, then, the World asks, has been done with the money? Our naval appropriations for this year were \$110,000,000. The total appropriations for the German navy in 1913 were \$115,000,000. Our navy is costing as much as the combined navies of Germany and Austria. It is costing as much as the French and Italian navies combined and three-fifths as much as the British navy in 1913. Yet Mr. Gardner tells us that "we have no navy. If we have none to show for the \$1-



A-Top of the World.
At the Laving theatre, Monday, December 28.

200,000,000 spent in the ten years under Roosevelt and Taft, then the World thinks that the American people have not only been shamelessly robbed, but treacherously robbed.

No one believes this. There may have been poor administration, and countless of process. But on the whole, undoubtedly, the enormous sums of money have been spent for a purpose. And this shows what Admiral Fletcher and others have testified that our navy is as good a ship for ship, as any. "The whole of this attempted 'accare' is simply the old flimsy idea of following the example of perverted Europe into increasing armaments and this in the face of what we are seeing—that great armaments do not prevent war, as has been claimed, but are the very things that have brought war. We could not do a worse thing for ourselves, now, more than at any other time, than to abandon our attitude of peacefulness for one of war preparation.

We were never so strong as we are today. And that strength lies in our moral force. We are fully prepared with the nucleus as to means of force. To do more than keep on our way steadily without learning to great armaments, would be to abandon our greatest force in the world and that is the force of 100,000,000 intelligent people, with limitless resources, relying on the moral weight of such a condition to enforce respect and to help the armament-burdened, tax-ridden people of Europe, who have come to the logical ending of such things, namely an appalling war in which the blood of the common people is poured out like water to gratify the jingoistic want to try their greedy machines. Any one that urges us to pattern af-

ter that horrible example either lacks appreciation of America's greatest strength, or is untrue to it—Capital News.

ENGINEERS MAY STRIKE

May Not Abide by Decision of Arbitration Board.

Chicago, Dec. 21.—Threats that the engineers of western railroads will strike if the board of arbitrators fails to regulate surprise tests in a manner which will eliminate danger to the men were made before the board at today's session.

The threats were made by Warren S. Stone, general chief engineer of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, and William S. Carter, president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen, representing the men. They were occasioned by remarks of W. L. Park, vice president of the Illinois Central and E. A. Burgess, both members of the board and by James M. Sheehan, attorney for the railroads. Sheehan stated that the railroad managers had assured the officials of the brotherhoods that only such surprise tests as took into consideration the safety of the men surprised would be such. He then brought Carter and Stone to their feet.

"I will inform the board," said Stone, "that we have heard these assurances before. In 1907, 1908, 1909, and 1910, we tried to get the roads to eliminate dangerous efficiency tests, and each time we went back to the men and told them that it was all right that the roads would conduct only fair tests, and that as regularly the roads did nothing of the kind."

Now, if the assurance of the railroads to not remove this danger to the lives of the men—if it is federal and state law, and if this arbitration fails to do so, I can assure you that the men will, I do not wish to try to intimidate this board, but the men will do it all right. It is necessary to protect themselves when all else fails."

Carter said: "Safety first is a good principle, but we want a system that will not cause an engineer, suddenly confronted with a red light to jump when there is no real danger. We have efficiency tests. There is no such thing as a fool of men who conform to the duties of their positions as close as the engineers and if the law cannot protect them, or if it has not, the men will protect themselves by their united strength." Capital News.

THAW GOES TO NEW YORK

Ruling of U. S. Supreme Court is Against Thaw's Slayer.

Washington, Dec. 21.—The supreme court reversed the refusal of the federal court at New Hampshire to extradite Harry K. Thaw to New York. The decision's effect is to enable Thaw's extradition from New Hampshire to New York to New York. Justice Holmes announced an unanimous decision. It first overruled the contention that it was no crime for a man confined in an insane asylum to wait out if he could and that therefore a conspiracy to do so was no crime. Thaw escaped from Mattawan insane hospital at New York, Oct. 17, 1912, where he was confined for Stanford White's murder. Thaw is under indictment in New York charged with conspiracy to escape.

Whether Thaw's escape from the asylum while his counsel contended he was insane, constituted a crime, and other questions, the court dismissed without comment. They could not enter into the habeas corpus proceedings, and thought that the proper question for the state of New York to decide. The actual Thaw case, the killing of Stanford White, was not before the supreme court, but the question of returning Thaw on the conspiracy indictment was up for decision.

Thaw, now however, remains in New Hampshire thirty days, unless his attorneys consent to removal sooner. Legal authorities say New York with Thaw in custody might not direct immediate trial for conspiracy, or might annul the indictment and return the prisoner to the asylum in disregard of the indictment.—Post-Intelligencer Tribune.

WENDELL'S WATERWORKS

North Side City Engineer Desires to Purchase of Private Property.

The city of Wendell is arranging to take over the Wendell waterworks system on the first day of January, 1915, under the contract of purchase made with the representatives of the bondholders some time ago. Bonds amounting to \$10,000 was voted at an election held on October 27th. These bonds have not yet been sold, but the council is in receipt of several bids on them, the highest up to this time being that made by James W. Wright, Reading contractor of Denver, Colorado, who has submitted an offer of 94 cents with all printing

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CAVERN OF SKELETONS

Remains of Thirty People Found in Lava on Clover Creek.

Gruesome evidence of an awful tragedy of the past century, perhaps two centuries ago, was revealed last week when a party of Clover Creek boys came upon a cavern full of human bones and skulls. The boys were Will and George Miller, and a lad named Hoss. The cavern is simply a left or gash in the lava rock and is located at the top of a lava knoll situated in the midst of an old alfalfa field that has been cultivated for years and the location is ten miles northwest of Bliss.

The skeletons were in plain view from one standing on the top of the knoll and it would appear strange that they have never been discovered during all the years that the field has been cultivated. The boys reported that there were bones as far back in the cavern as they could see. They brought out ten skulls, porcel, and from the fragments of others they saw and the number of bones they estimated that there were at least thirty skeletons in all. Some of the skulls were small, doubtless those of children. Some of the fore arm bones were still encircled by rude bracelets, made of copper, showing a crude attempt at engraving. The bones were found.

Who composed this party, how they met death, and when, are subjects upon which to speculate. It is presumed that it was a party of Indians, men and women and children, fleeing from some hostile war party, and that refuge was taken in this cavern on the knoll because of its commanding position, affording a view of all the surrounding country. Evidently the entire party was overtaken and murdered. It is simply one of the numberless unwritten tragedies of the primitive life of the west.

Mr. Miller, father of the two boys was in Gooding a few days ago and related the discovery to The Gooding Leader.

ENAMELING COMPACT

For mending enamelware pots and pans where a hole has been made or the enamel has been chipped off, the following is effective. Equal parts of soft putty, finely sifted coffee and stiff table salt. Mix all together and pack it into the hole. Place the mended article on the stove with a little water in it until the cement gets hard. It never fails, and it becomes as hard as the enamel itself.

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Notice of Stockholders' Meeting.

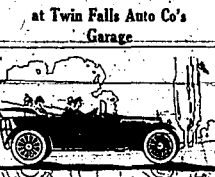
The regular semi-annual stockholders' meeting of the Idaho Department Store, Ltd., will be held in the office of the company, Monday evening, January 12, 1914, at 8 o'clock p. m. Dec. 22-23. D. D. ALVORD, Sec'y.

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Local and Personal

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A. L. Swim transacted business in Filer for a day the first of the week.

Pearl Hansen is in the city from his dry farm in the Salmon River country.

Attorney W. R. Green was a business visitor in the city Wednesday from Duluth.

Dr. and Mrs. G. F. Baker have moved into their beautiful new home on Shoshone street south.

Commissioner-elect T. E. Moore was a business visitor in the county seat for a day the first of the week.

D. C. Brown, of the Idaho Light and Power company, was a business visitor in Filer Tuesday the first of the week.

Will Hendricks left Thursday morning for Barley, to join his wife and spend Christmas with her parents.

Jacob Blatter, of the Duluth neighborhood transacted business in Twin Falls for a day the middle of the week.

Miss Mathilda Dehn left Monday morning for Minneapolis, Minn., where she will spend the holidays with her parents.

J. A. Waters returned the first of the week from points in Iowa, where he had been for the past few days on business.

Judge and Mrs. E. A. Walters and sons left Thursday morning for Shoshone, where they will spend the holidays with relatives.

J. L. Hodges, a farmer of the Hollister neighborhood, transacted business in the county seat for a day the middle of the week.

Robert Bros, a farmer and stockman of the Rock Creek neighborhood, transacted business in the city for a day the first of the week.

E. R. Hobbs, a successful farmer of the Castleford neighborhood, transacted business in the county seat for a day the middle of the week.

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H. E. Rounds returned Wednesday from a trip to Iowa, and other points in the east.

F. C. Pierce of Filer, transacted business in Twin Falls for a day the last of the week.

M. E. Brooks, of the Three Creek country, was in Twin Falls for several days of this week.

C. P. Stewart transacted business in the county seat Tuesday from the Castleford country.

Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Duvall are spending the Christmas holidays with friends at Hollister.

H. A. Turner was a business visitor in Twin Falls for a day the first of the week from Duluth.

A. W. Smith of Moscow was a business visitor in the city for a day the first of the week.

O. M. Gunt arrived in the city Wednesday from Barley to spend Christmas with his family.

D. D. Dimond left Tuesday morning for Goldfield, Nevada, to spend Christmas with a daughter.

The Twin Falls Ice and Feed company has been successful in securing the annual crop of ice up.

Attorney J. H. Wise returned Wednesday from Boise, where he had been on legal business.

W. F. Deeken was in the city Tuesday from his home in Kimberly looking after business matters.

E. J. Putnam is in the city from St. Anthony, spending the Christmas holidays with the Putnam family.

S. G. Kull returned Thursday from points in Wyoming, where he had been for the past month on business.

H. Pickett, a farmer of the Murtaugh neighborhood, transacted business in the city for a day the middle of the week.

J. S. Russell, cashier of the Rogers State bank, transacted business in Twin Falls for a day or two of this week.

Attorney J. W. Monahan returned to his home in Duluth Thursday after spending a day in the city on legal business.

Messrs. Suppon and W. D. Pringle, of Des Moines, Iowa, are guests of the Kendall and Pringle families of this city.

E. H. Suehr departed Wednesday morning for the east, where he will visit with relatives and friends during the holidays.

Miss Bartha Noel, superintendent of schools, was in the western part of the county Tuesday looking after school matters.

Mrs. R. C. Cole and little son, of Twin Falls, are in Boise to spend the holiday with her sister, Mrs. Dennis Esbeck, a Stateman.

W. H. Philbrick, a stock man and merchant of American Falls, transacted business in Twin Falls for a day the middle of the week.

John W. Graham, member of the public utilities commission, is in the city from Boise, spending the holiday season with his family.

Harlan D. Hotal, county attorney for Lincoln county, was in the city Monday from his home in Shoshone on business in the district court.

Rev. S. S. Naber returned Tuesday from Caldwell and Boise, where he had been on business in connection with the Church of the Brethren.

D. C. Brown, of the Idaho Light and Power company, left Wednesday for John Brown in Idaho, where they will spend Christmas with relatives.

James Sims, colored, was before his honor, Police Judge Smith, Monday in answer to the charge of being drunk and disorderly. He pleaded guilty and was fined \$25.00.

E. D. Heinicke arrived in the city Tuesday from his home in Portland, Oregon. He was met in Twin Falls by his son, E. B. Heinicke, of Hollister. They departed the same afternoon for the Salmon River town, where Mr. Heinicke Sr. will spend the holidays.

Kyle, the fifteen-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. George Dow passed away at the family home in this city Monday December 21. The little one had been ailing for many months in spite of all that medical science could do. The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon, being conducted by Dr. J. F. Shepherd, the pastor of the First Presbyterian church.

On Saturday, December 19, occurred the death of B. F. Mills, a pioneer resident of Twin Falls. At the time of his death, Mr. Mills was 62 years of age. In 1884 he was married to Lola Burkett, now from this town. They had eight children, five boys and three girls, all of whom are living. Mr. Mills was a member of the Presbyterian church at Eastfield, Illinois, transferring his membership to the local church six months ago. The funeral was held Monday afternoon, the services being conducted by Dr. J. F. Shepherd, pastor of the First Presbyterian church. The Masons attended the funeral in a body. Mr. Mills being an honored member of the organization.

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A merry crowd responded to the invitation of Ralph Lee and Wynne Stearns for a sleighing party Sunday evening. After an enjoyable evening, lunch was served at Varnes'.

The Saturday Addition Bridge club will have no meetings until after the holiday season, when they will resume the enjoyable entertainment. Their first meeting will be with Mrs. McGinn.

Dr. and Mrs. J. E. White will entertain a number of friends with a Christmas dinner, the invited guests are Mr. and Mrs. J. Stokes Wiseman, of Hanson, Dr. Lee, Mr. Cady and the Misses Carcroft and Nesbit.

Last Thursday evening the ladies of the Eastern Star and the Blue Lodge of the Masonic order were guests of the officers for the coming year.

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Plenty of Frost

By G. F. WOODRUFF

EDDY sat upon the top step of the stairs that led to the street and rested his chin in the palm of his hand. Some of the fellows came along and hulloed to him, but Teddy didn't answer. He didn't want to play with the fellows just now, for he was battling with a great sorrow.

Tom had said it, so it must be true, the Tom was right. He was old and didn't have to go to bed until 8 o'clock. Teddy's hour for retiring was half past 7, and he realized that the extra half hour made a man of the world out of him, while it left the unfortunate Teddy still a baby.

Tom had stuck his hands into his pockets. Tom's trousers were lovely and rough, just like his father's—and had swaggered around telling all the fellows that there wasn't any Santa Claus! When questioned further, he had said that there used to be, but that this year there wasn't going to be, and there never would be again.

No Santa Claus! If Teddy hadn't been six years old, he might have cried, but of course one as old as he never cried.

Teddy wondered if he'd better tell his mother. He decided he wouldn't. Why should his mother, whom he loved so dearly, be made to suffer any longer than was necessary?

It was hard, though, during the next three weeks, which seemed like years, not to tell, and when Christmas eve came and his mother gaily brought out his biggest pair of stockings and



hung them up at the end of the mantel he could hardly keep back the tears. They disappeared, he and his mother would be when they got up in the morning and found the stockings empty! She leaned over and kissed him tenderly. "Are you tired, dear?" she asked. "You don't seem as happy as usual!"

Teddy assured her, as well as he was able for the lump in his throat, that he was perfectly well. His mother, who was the wise one that he was, didn't press the question. She merely drew up her low rocking chair and sat beside the bed until she thought Teddy was asleep and then she crept softly down stairs.

Teddy lay for a long time after she went, watching the firelight flicker on the wall. He couldn't go to sleep and couldn't see the use, when there wasn't anything to wake up for. A good many tears rolled out of the corners of his eyes, but he didn't care.

He must have lain there for about ten or ten hours, he thought, and had just about his eyes to rest them from the light, when he heard a sound, a very little bit of a sound. He sat up quickly in bed and listened anxiously. Because it sounded, it really did sound, as if it might be sleigh bells. In a minute, he didn't know just how, he was leaning out of the window.

He didn't feel as if he had walked down stairs, but more as if he had just slipped along without any effort on his part, as if he had been some sort of delightful fish bird. He leaned away from the window, not feeling a bit afraid of falling, and looked down upon the street.

Down there on the street, as he could see the under of the wheels of their long horns, and prancing and the bells that seemed almost to answer them filled the air with their merry jingle. And then there was a gleam of red. Somebody was climbing down the sleigh. There was the echo



of a joyful voice calling, the horns of the reindeer quivered joyfully, their bells fast, panned the ground, then the whole turnout seemed to leap into the air and like a flash was gone!

Teddy rubbed his eyes. It was funny! He thought he was at the window, but here he was in bed.

He sat up and looked around the room. The fire in the grate had gone out, but the gray light of the morning was beginning to steal through the window. Teddy did not get out of bed and went softly to the fireplace.

The stockings were bulging in all directions, as had been their exhilarating wont in other years. He put out his hand and touched one of them gently. It was so warm. The stockings were full to overflowing.

With a little sighing, whistling, a sense of joy and relief, Teddy clasped his hands until the knuckles showed as white as the snow outside. Then came a cry of such delight he rushed into his mother's room.

She opened a pair of sleepy eyes at the sound of the pattering little feet. Teddy threw himself upon her, laughing and sobbing.

"Mother, mother, mother!" he cried. "He came after all! Santa Claus did come! Santa Claus did come! He did, he did, he did!"—Chicago Daily News.

FOR BETTER ROADS

STUDY OF ROAD CONDITIONS

Department of Agriculture Endeavoring to Discover Points of Excellence in Road Maintenance.

Detailed studies of local road building systems in 100 counties are now being carried on by the agricultural department in cooperation with the state highway departments and local road authorities.

The purpose of this study is to discover the points of excellence and defects in existing local methods of building and maintaining roads which will aid the state authorities to put local road management on a systematized basis. The co-operating state authorities have been asked to designate counties that present typical and



Macadamized Road in West Virginia.

exceptional features as to topography, character of road materials, methods of construction and maintenance, administrative organization, methods of road financing, and traffic conditions. From these lists 100 counties will be selected, and in these counties the division of road economics will make intensive studies.

This investigation is prompted by the fact that there is at present very little knowledge as to the most effective and economical methods by which county governing bodies can at present the methods of financing local road improvements vary from calling on farmers for a certain number of days' labor in the summer or the use of county prisoners in road construction, to bond issues or maintenance of roads from dramshop license funds.

The department will study all of these systems with the view to determining what system or combination of systems works best in actual practice.

There is, moreover, at present no standard system of keeping accounts for road building and maintenance, and as a result, while some counties show to a penny the purpose for which money was spent, others have no definite check or reporting system. Among various counties with the same conditions cost for excavation or other labor is anything but uniform, and these counties, because of the absence of definite knowledge, fail to use local and cheap materials, and construct roads which are unnecessarily expensive for their purpose, or which will wear out before the bond issue has been redeemed. The investigation will include a careful study of the use of convict labor in road construction.

In connection with the scientific study the department's highway engineers will advise freely with local officials as to improvements, and thus give each county visited the advantage of direct co-operation, engineering supervision, and assistance.

These investigations, it is believed, will yield important economic data bearing especially on the benefits and burdens of road improvement and showing the extent to which financial outlay under given typical conditions is justifiable.

The heads of state highway departments are manifesting great interest and are co-operating cordially in this work. These data when obtained will be published and thus made accessible to all county and state road officials.

Not Contagious.

Good road building in the country does not seem to be contagious, more the pity.

Harvesting Alfalfa.

Alfalfa should be harvested for hay before the stalks become woody, and the leaves turn yellow and fall. This condition of the plant occurs very soon after the blossoms appear.

Feed Potatoes to Cows.

When not too expensive, potatoes may be fed to cows in limited quantities. They should be chopped or sliced and fed raw, 20 pounds being about as large a daily allowance as a cow should receive.

Road that Went Ad

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TWIN FALLS TIMES

MONEY-RAISING SALE

To Reduce Stock and Raise Money we are Offering for 14 Days
Beginning Monday, Dec. 28, Everything in Our Store at a

25 Per Cent Reduction

Our goods are bought close on Cash Terms and sold for Cash Only at a price averaging 25 per cent below other dealers. When you take this into consideration you will see that prices offered in this sale are 50 per cent lower than other dealers can give you, and the price in many cases is below cost to us. But we find ourselves overstocked and must make a large reduction in the next few days. You gain by our condition.

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This is the first opportunity of the kind you have had and will be the last for a long time. As we have said before, we must reduce our stock and must raise money. Come in and look our stock over. It will pay you.

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TWIN FALLS, IDAHO

THE FAME of Archie Graham's Scotch Shortbread is not alone local—from far-off Omaha comes an order for this seasonable and delicious product of the baker's art, so dear to the heart of every man with even a trace of the Scotch about him.

But it is not alone to the Scotch that Archie Graham's Shortbread and the host of other good things in breads and pastries appeals, but to everyone who has ever given the Rogerson Bakery a trial and who is guided in a selection of foodstuffs by flavor, purity and general all around wholesomeness.

Bread and pastry-making in the Graham way has come to mean something above and beyond the ordinary product of the bakery. Sanitary surroundings mean purity of product and ability in any line of business is largely a matter of experience.

Archie Graham has been a baker all his life. Here is the letter of the Omaha man:

3316 Ohio St.
Omaha, Neb., Dec. 10, 1914

Mrs. Archie Graham,
Twin Falls, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

Please send at once seven boxes of Scotch Shortbread, the same as you have been sending me for the past two years. I enclose order for \$13.00.

Yours Truly,

GEORGE R. CATHOIR.

This Omaha man has nothing on Twin Falls in the matter of appreciation of the products of the Rogerson Bakery—Scotch Shortbread is only one of the many good things of the Graham-kind to be found there.

Fruit cake and Christmas specialties of all kinds.

Honest effort to the glory of Beneficial Industry.

ARCHIE GRAHAM
THE ROGERSON BAKERY

Banquet and Dance By Co. D

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well-known that occasion so nationally memorable. The point I wish to make is that, while they were constituted of admirable National Guard material, there was not a man in either company, from captain to high private in the rear rank, who had one particle of real preparation for the life and duty of a soldier. How gross they were you will to some extent realize when I tell you that the election of officers was held a few days earlier—taken as a sort of joke—an opera bouffe. The company in which my own lot was cast chose a Methodist brother, who was church janitor and beat the base drum in the village band; but who was so illiterate that he immediately wrote the governor: "I have now got a 5-cent company, etc., etc." For sergeants we chose the least known men, on speculation, as it were, and for corporals we chose Bob McCrometer, six feet four and a half inches tall, and graded down to "Pony" Richards, who had two extra ribs on his back before the state, and the military officer. An incident later connected with the line of corporals further demonstrates the lack of preparation of the soldiers. Corporal Ashton was left in Iowa, with measles, and guard duty being heavy at Helena, Ark., another corporal was appointed (we didn't elect one then). When Ashton returned to the regiment, tall Corporal Bob, happened to be on picket, and when the morning roll call came, he received a daily signed order (of course framed up by a comrade) from regimental headquarters, stating that as there were now eight corporals in camp, he, Bob, was detailed for permanent picket duty and might stay on the line—which he did until sent for.

But these are merely laughable features of our unpreparedness. There were plenty of serious ones. Why that first winter at Fort Omaha, when the boys insisted that two syllables too many—substantially ten per cent of the strength of the regiment died from fever and bowel troubles, which was at least nine per cent more than would have been the case had the proper safeguards as to food and camp and kitchen sanitation been insisted upon. And the same was true, in greater or less degree, throughout all the volunteer days of that period. This, not to mention the frequent waste of life on the battlefield through ignorant and incompetent officers from captain to major generals. Our proud boast that, in time of need the citizens of our great republic will rally to her defense is not a vain claim. The truth has been demonstrated. Therefore, we say, we do not need a great standing army. And we do not, but we do need a large National Guard. Volunteers in from the farm, the shop and the counter, are patriotic citizens and the best material for soldiers in the world, but they are not soldiers, and it takes at least a year to make soldiers of them. We are at peace, and expect to remain so—so did England one year ago. No country can be sure of the future, and while European militarism is not

that in it is recommended or initiated, preparation for emergency is wise and right. Our National Guard fostered by public sentiment and by high state and national legislation, offers the solution. The latest report of the Secretary of War places the total strength of the organized militia of all the states at 8,223 officers and 113,067 men—37,410 rank and file, the odds.

If all of the national guard could be summoned in the event of war and should all respond (an inconceivable result) and if they were all found fairly efficient in the first line—that is, the troops who would be needed to immediately take the field—we could summon a force in this country of regulars and national guard amounting to 8,223 officers and 148,482 men. This would include only regulars of fighting force, stationed in the United States proper.

"And this is absolutely all. The only other recourse would then be volunteers, and to equip, organize, train and make them ready would take at the smallest possible estimate, six months. "Any one who takes the slightest trouble to investigate will find that in modern warfare a prepared enemy would progress so far on the way to success in six months that the unprepared had to wait six months to meet him, that such unprepared antagonists might as well concede defeat without contest."

And here in this country more than fifteen millions of men of military age—eighteen to forty-five. Under wise and patriotic management, at least, one-fifth of these or one million men could and should be enrolled in the National Guard. Such an army would not mean menace, but protection and peace of mind, and it "brought life" to see it at least in prospect of realization.

In conclusion of what I fear we already become tedious. Young Soldiers of the Commonwealth and Nation, who are about to die, salute you. "You say, 'A man must live!'" But is it so? Pray tell me why life at any cost you have to buy? In what religion were you told "A man must live?" There are times when a man must die. Imagine for a battle cry. From soldiers with a sword to hold—From soldiers with the flag unfurled.

This coward's whine, this liar's lie, "A man must live."

C. O. LONGLEY.

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DRESS MAKING—\$35 4th Ave. E. May 5 ff.

HORSES WANTED for winter feeding, \$2.50 per month, W. S. Tyson, 2 1/2 miles south of Kimberly. Dec. 22-25-29 pd.

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FOUND—Necktie, Dec. 17, near Catholic church. Owner can have same by proving property and paying for ad. Call at N. Brown's, 3rd Ave. E. and Blue-Lakes Boulevard.

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Via the Oregon Short-Line, between Twin Falls, Idaho, on sale December 15, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25 and 26, 1914, and January 1, 1915, limit, January 4th. See local agents for rates and further particulars. Dec. 11-15-18-22-25-29

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