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Now we express in words what we are ever mindful of throughout the year—a keen appreciation of the confidence that our friends have in us. Our thanks for this, expressed verbally, is but poorly expressed. It would please us far better if we could shake the hand of each of you and say: "Thank you." We do this in spirit, if not in fact.

Like play-actors, we are encouraged to our best performance when applauded. That you have liked us and applauded by patronizing us stimulates us to resolve to do many things during 1916 for the betterment of the store and store's service. It is a pleasure to work hard to please folks so appreciative.

We sincerely wish you a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

## Chraft & Hansen

"The Big Store With the Little Prices"

### JOURNALISTS OF THE BIBLE

Savior Master of Art of Publicity, is the Assertion Made by Dean of University.

Christ was a master of the art of advertising, John proved himself a great editor and there is no better reporter than Luke, according to Walter Williams, dean of the school of journalism of the University of Missouri, who addressed a Sunday school convention in St. Louis, says a St. Louis (Mo.) dispatch to the New York Herald.

"Even Christ's last words were not for silence, but for Christian publicity," said Mr. Williams. "Whenever a church has kept the good news of the gospel to itself it has died. When it has given this news out it has conquered."

"When Kitchener wanted 1,000,000 men he advertised in the newspapers. When the church wants 1,000,000 strong men to aid its cause it rings a bell for five minutes on Sunday."

"Luke, with his vivid phrases, wrote the greatest report in the world—the story of Christ," said Mr. Williams. "John proved himself the best editor, for he freely used the blue pencil, stating, 'If I wished, I could fill many volumes.'"

"Even the devil advertises," said Mr. Williams, "his specialty being white lights."

## We Thank You



During the past year we have made every effort to promote the interest of our customers and have been gratified with the generous response which you and others have made to this policy.

The year 1915 was a successful one for us and we thank our patrons for their part in making success possible.

During 1916 we shall strive to serve you even better than we have in the past.

"Service is the Thing"

We extend to all our sincere wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year

Dexter's Drug Store Phone No. 12

### Knutson-Artz Wedding.

A very pretty home wedding took place in our city Wednesday of last week at the residence of Mrs. Mary Knutson when her daughter, Miss Clara Knutson was united in the holy bonds of wedlock to Harris Artz of Sioux Falls, but formerly of Canton.

At four o'clock in the afternoon to the strains of the Mendelssohn wedding march played by Mrs. Albert Knutson the bridal party took their places before the officiating clergyman, Rev. H. E. Rasmussen of the Lutheran church, and Miss Clara Ellefson sang a solo.

The bride was attired in white crepe de chine with head trimmings, also wearing a bridal veil and carrying a bouquet of roses. Miss Nellie Knutson, the bride's maid, was dressed in blue crepe de chine. The groom wore a suit of dark blue. Fred Yarrow of Sioux Falls was best man. The decorations were blue and white.

A wedding reception was given from 6 until 8 o'clock which was attended by a large company of relatives and friends. The guests were received by Miss Eloise Ingebrigtson, while Mrs. Albert Knutson, Misses Bessie and Marion Bainbridge, Clara Ellefson, Hannah and Nettie Olson, Ellen Sletten and Palma Juel attended to the needs of the guests at the tables.

Many useful and beautiful gifts were left as evidence of the love and respect in which the young people are held by their friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Artz left Friday for Clear Lake, Iowa, and other eastern points for their honeymoon.

The out of town guests present were Ole Lund of Larchwood, Minn.; Ole Knutson of Clear Lake, Iowa, and Mrs. Minnie Artz of Sioux Falls.

The young people will make their home on a farm about one and a half miles from Sioux Falls.

### Masonic St. Johns Party.

Monday evening in response to invitations a company of over one hundred gathered at the Masonic Temple to attend the celebration of the Festival of St. Johns. After the guests had been greeted at the doors by the reception committee all assembled in the main room where the following program was given and greatly enjoyed by all as was evidenced by the numerous encores:

Flute Solo.....Otis Knutson  
Miss Hviistendahl, Piano Solo.....Dwight Slade  
Mrs. Irving Whitehead, accompanist.

Recitation.....Melba Madden  
Solo.....Miss Stella Sogn  
Mrs. Gulbrandsen, Violin

Duet, Misses Lola and Thelma Hanson  
Mrs. Gulbrandsen, accompanist  
Recitation.....Frederica Gifford  
Quartette, Dr. Parke, Ed. L. Wendt,  
Dr. Wendt and Prof. Lawrence

Solo.....Dwight Slade  
Mrs. Whitehead, accompanist.

All were then invited to the dining room where three long tables were found nicely decorated with holly, ferns and poinsettias, and the Eastern Star committee then served a nice lunch of coffee, sandwiches, olives, salad and cake, while Dr. A. G. Noid gave an Edison musical program.

The remainder of the evening was spent in dancing, the music being furnished by a six piece orchestra composed of Miss Hviistendahl, M. Skarvett, Stanley Forest, Otis Knutson, Jos. Duffy and Karl Benz.

Those present from out of town were: Mr. and Mrs. James Pettigrew, Elmdra; Mrs. Elmer Seubert, Sioux Falls; Prof. and Mrs. Roy Smith, Ames, Ia.; Miss Elsa Mangle, St. Paul; Mrs. Fannie Griswold, Harrisburg; Mr. Puckett, La. Crosse, Wis.; Mrs. Piggott and daughter, Burke, S. D.; Mr. and Mrs. Fitch, Hudson.

### Short Course and Corn Show.

Last week we announced that there would be a Short Course at Canton on Jan. 17 to 20, 1916. We hope the farmers of Lincoln County are arranging matters so they can attend every session. Time could not be possibly spent to better advantage than attending this Short Course. We have been especially favored by good crops this year and we sincerely hope that we will have the best meeting of this kind we have ever had in Canton. Don't forget to bring in your farm and kitchen products for the exhibit to compete for the prizes to be offered by the business men of this city.

### Methodist Church

Next Sabbath Morning the District Superintendent will be with us in the First Quarterly meeting. In all probability a dedication service will be held in the morning or afternoon of next Sabbath, in which service the basement recently finished will be dedicated. The First Quarterly Conference will be held next Saturday evening at 8 p. m. Let all members of the quarterly conference be present. The pastor will preach at the evening service. The topic of the prayer meeting Thursday evening will be "New Years Resolutions". Let us have a large attendance. The Epworth League at 6:30 Sunday evening.

### HERE IS THE LATEST ALIBI

Briton Asserted He Was Full of Quinine When Arrested for Assaulting Man After Altercation.

At a London police court recently, Frederick Hewlett Burton-Brown, fifty-three years old, who was in the uniform of a captain in the royal army medical corps, was charged on remand with being drunk and riotous and with assaulting William Imrie, a horsekeeper of Bloomsbury square, by striking him on the head with an electric torch, says the London Times.

The attorney who appeared for the defendant said that on the night he was arrested he was leading an officer who had lost his sight in the Dar-danelles and when crossing the road switched on an electric torch to see his way. There had been a Zeppelin attack some twenty minutes earlier and the prosecutor thought he might be signaling the Zeppelins and protested. The defendant became excited and a policeman who appeared on the scene wrongly thought that his excitement was due to drink, and arrested him. The defendant had suffered from Indian malaria and had been taking large doses of quinine, which accounted for his condition when he was arrested. He desired to express his regret for any injury he might have caused the prosecutor and was willing to compensate him.

The magistrate allowed both charges to be withdrawn.

### FOR LEFT-HANDED PERSONS

Michigan Jeweler Has Put Forward a Timepiece That is a Triumph of the Art.

E. P. Foley, a local jeweler, has made the fabled reaper obey that poetic summons, "Backward, turn backward, O Time, in your flight," a Kalamazoo (Mich.) correspondent of the New York Sun writes. He has accomplished this seemingly impossible thing by the simple expedient of inventing a left-handed watch. Instead of running from left to right, as in the case of the ordinary timepiece, Mr. Foley's watch sends its hands around from right to left.

The watch was made because one of the inventor's daughters complained that the left-handed person has such a slim chance in life—machinery, street car doors, and even the hands of the clock—went toward the right hand, as if to balk the person who happens to be left handed.

Just to meet the situation, Foley designed and built the left-handed watch. Under left-handed persons, observing the case with which time is told on the backward dials, expressed an interest, and it has been found necessary to start a little manufacturing company to turn out left-handed watches and clocks. A left-handed wrist watch, to be worn very properly on the left wrist, is the next thing to be turned out.

### On Framing Pictures.

A few years ago I heard George Bernard Shaw give a lecture before the Camera club in London. The one thing that I remember that he said was that, in going into a house, he could always tell the degree of culture and refinement there was in that house by the width of the mats on the pictures. Of course, Mr. Shaw was trying to be funny as usual, and as usual there was lots of truth in what he said. If every one would make a tour of the house with that in mind, take down those pictures with the wide white or colored mats and have them reframed close, or if a certain one seems to demand a mat, have a very narrow one put on it, they would really be surprised to see the improvement in the appearance of the rooms. In many cases the same frames could be used; they would only need to be cut down.—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

### Important Discovery.

The discovery of a prehistoric pueblo in Nitsu canyon, in the Navajo mountains of Arizona, has added materially to the archeological developments of the year. It contains at least eight or four rooms, or apartments, which are all more or less connected with each other. In some of these most interesting specimens of ancient handiwork have been found. Among them is a large, handsome shawl covered with elaborate embroidery which is in excellent preservation, although it is known to be at least a thousand years old.

Beads of jade and other material, baskets, prayer sticks, a large variety of pottery, including several good-sized ollas in the rare black and white ware and some ornate moccasins of yucca fiber, are among the articles taken from the old ruins. They will be added to the museum of the University of Arizona.

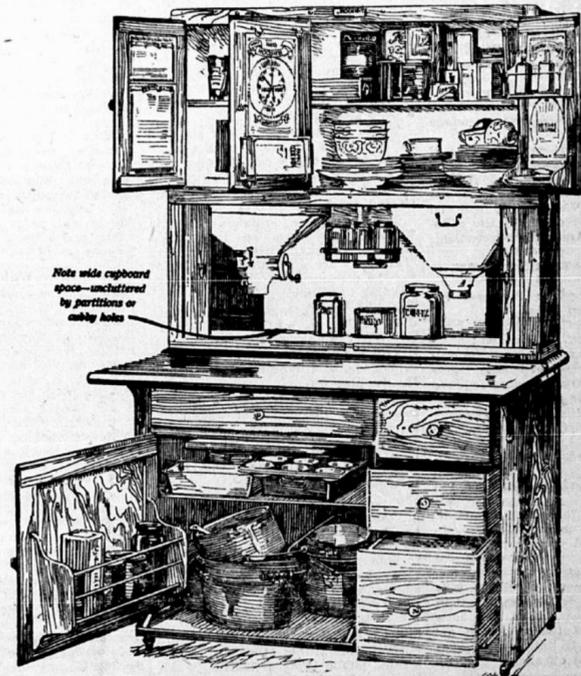
### Tongue in Cheek.

George H. Stege, president of the Society for the Prevention of Municipal Waste, says that he could easily save New York \$17,000,000 a year. "To praise New York's economy," said Mr. Stege the other day, "one would have to speak with the tongue in the cheek—like the girl at the dance, you know. "A fat man panted to a girl at the dance: 'It's very kind of you to hesitation with me—me, the worst hesitator in the room.' " "Here he trod on her foot for the eleventh time, and the girl answered sweetly: "Oh, how can you say so? Why, you hardly seem to touch the floor!"

## A Happy New Year

will be your lot if you buy for your wife a

"HOOSIER"—why not?



This is the "ROLL DOOR HOOSIER" With the only sanitary, removable roll doors

ONE DOLLAR puts one in your home and \$1 per week to pay for it. What more do you want?

## Taylor Furniture Co.

PHONE NO. 243

FURNITURE AND UNDERTAKING

### Gifts of Winter.

"In giving winter to men," said the Old Year, Margaret Woodward writes in the Countryside Magazine, "I am conferring upon them one of the greatest benefits. Do not the wise ones of earth know that climate has much to do with culture? that the degree to which a race acquires civilization is dependent upon it? Nowhere are the rigors of winter felt more severely than in New England, and mark you the men of intellectual and moral fiber who have been bred in this climate. Look at the races who bask under a tropical sun, where orange and banana groves grow luxuriantly, and notice the indolence, the sensuality, the lack of ambition which prevail. It takes the winter to tone up the moral and intellectual, as well as the physical nature of man. One of your philosophers on sale in Berlin, is known as 'Hignin,' and is made of pine cellulose. It is said to absorb blood better than cotton, but cannot compete with the latter as a dressing for wounds. It is, however, pronounced satisfactory for use as a second dressing. A cellulose wadding, made by a secret process from chemical wool pulp, is now offered as a dressing for wounds in Sweden. It comes in very thin sheets, resembling tissue paper. The use of sterilized sphagnum moss for the same purpose appears to have been generalized by the exigencies arising from the war.—Scientific American.

### Substitutes for Absorbent Cotton.

Recent consular reports mention several more or less successful cheap substitutes for absorbent cotton that have been introduced since the European war began. One of these, now on sale in Berlin, is known as 'Hignin,' and is made of pine cellulose. It is said to absorb blood better than cotton, but cannot compete with the latter as a dressing for wounds. It is, however, pronounced satisfactory for use as a second dressing. A cellulose wadding, made by a secret process from chemical wool pulp, is now offered as a dressing for wounds in Sweden. It comes in very thin sheets, resembling tissue paper. The use of sterilized sphagnum moss for the same purpose appears to have been generalized by the exigencies arising from the war.—Scientific American.

### Jury Exonerates Dead Cow.

When an automobile hits a cow and injures it badly the driver is to blame and not the cow, even if the cow did get nervous when it saw the auto headlights bearing swiftly down on it. A jury decided the foregoing in Judge Gatens' court and awarded \$100 damages to Emil Alt, the cow's owner. August Sempert, who owned the auto, argued in court that he didn't know the Hawthorne bridge was a browsing pasture and that the cow should have worn a red light on its tail. But the jury disagreed with him.—Portland (Ore.) Dispatch Los Angeles Times.

### That Checker Tournament.

Ray O. Rice, secretary of the Hudson checker club says there will be a free dinner and big oyster supper there for all participants in the county checker tournament to be held Jan. 1st, 1916, at the Parkin Hotel starting at 9:30 a. m. An entrance fee of \$1 will be charged for the championship games. There will be an even number of games between each player and a two move restriction. We hear Bob Hale is going down prepared to bring the championship to the county seat. The more the merrier.

### Rebekah Program.

Following was the program given at the Rebekah Christmas tree last week and enjoyed by a large crowd: Instrumental Duet, Frankie Thompson and Mrs. Sackett  
Recitation.....Helen Otto  
Recitation.....Master Thompson  
Song—What Christmas Means .5 girls  
Recitation.....Martha Opland

Song.....Marine Hviistendahl  
Reading.....Florence Strlokier  
Instrumental Solo.....Miss Greguson  
Recitation.....Lela Wilkinson  
Song.....Five girls  
Interesting Address...M. B. Kennedy

### Notice of Stockholders Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of The First National Bank of Canton, South Dakota, will be held at their banking office on Tuesday, January 11, 1916, at 4:00 p. m. for the election of a Board of Directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.  
Dated at Canton, South Dakota, this 10th day of December, A. D. 1915.  
H. Anderson, Cashier.

"The Christian" films were blockaded in Minnesota and did not reach here for Christmas eve at the Lyric but were shown the next evening and enjoyed by a large crowd.

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