



The old country is still struggling with 220 miles of war, with an additional Russian fringe to the northward thrown in for good measure.

With Congress again "on his hands" the President will presumably have a short Holiday vacation. But we all wish him a merry Christmas, with an appetite and digestion suited to the enjoyment of turkey and mince-pie.

Did Germany's "preparedness for war" prevent war? If she had not been for a quarter of a century bending her utmost energy to military and naval equipment, would the d-d-e-e-s-t war in history be now blighting Europe? To ask these questions is to answer them, and the answer ought to shut the mouths of those in this country protesting that peace is purchasable only through a big army and a strong navy. On the contrary, the "toer of a gun" is generally the one to provoke a breach of the peace, and Germany has shown that men collectively are made up of man individually. This citation may not be in accord with the injunction to observe a studied neutrality toward the warring powers, but it's true.

The St. Louis papers inform us that Senator Stone says changes will be made in the personnel of the Collector's office "slowly and circumspectly;" that there will be no haste in replacing g. o. p. patriots with Democratic "hewers of wood and drawers of water." And truly there has been no haste! More than two years have gone by since the people ruthlessly set aside the then heads of the Federal government; but in the lower strata are, mainly, yet in place. The upheaval in no wise, except in perturbation of spirit, has affected them. There is something idyllic in this condition, but it is not satisfying to us of the grosser grain. When the Republican party has its innings Democrats are made to go nor stand upon the order of their going, and to the average partisan "turn about is fair play." He likes demonstration of the fitness of his fellows for the burden of governmental administration, and is not content that it is confined to a few at the head of affairs. For myself, if Democracy is essential to the general welfare, I think it ought to go down to the tap-roots.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. Jackson is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Edgar, in Ironton.

B. Fox of Potosi was an Ironton visitor Monday.

Mrs. J. N. Bishop was a St. Louis visitor the past week.

Dr. Whiteside, postmaster at Des Arc, had business in court this week.

P. Vigneux and Jas. Thurman of Graniteville were in Ironton Monday.

Mrs. Clara Lischer and her daughter, Aurelia, have returned home from St. Louis, where they had been to pay Santa Claus a visit.

Mrs. A. B. McKisson, of St. Louis, was in Ironton a few hours Tuesday on her way home from a visit to her daughter in Poplar Bluff.

Books—Good Books by most popular authors. A new lot just received.

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NOTICE.

There is a blizzard coming. Are you ready for it?

Now is the time to buy your stoves. The Celebrated WILSON HEATER and several other styles to select from at

MADIGAN'S.

Fort Hill Church.

Mr. Conway's class and Mrs. Hanson's seem to be in a race to see which will make the best record for a quarter. The record of each for attendance both upon Sunday School and church is above 80 per cent.

Let it be understood that the pastor does not dismiss his congregation without services because it is small. Those that are present are entitled to his best service, no matter how few they may be.

The Woman's Missionary Society will meet at the parsonage for election of officers and other important business, at 2:30 p. m. tomorrow (the 19th inst.)

The pastor's theme next Sunday morning will be "The Great Commission." The evening theme will be "Foolish Girls or Wise—Which?"

We make special low prices to Schools, Churches and Sunday Schools on Christmas Candles, Oranges and Nuts.

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Des Arc Items.

We have had more rain than we need. Down the Belmont Branch; between Delta and Caney Creek, the track for miles was covered with water. It looked dangerous to see the trains plowing through a foot of water.

Business is good on account of the holidays. I was at Libbourn Wednesday. Stevenson & Fitz's sales that day were \$171. Morris Bros.' sales at Farmington Saturday were over \$500. They have put on two extra clerks for the holiday trade. I was at Iron- dale Saturday. The town was over- run with teams hauling out corn, hay and oats. Over seven cars were shipped in last month. Irondale is a good town. My friend, Jas. C. O'Neal, has

a store there and does a fine business. He is also postmaster. Wiley O'Neal will live there. He is a great help to Jim.

Quite a lot of sickness in our town and the doctors are kept busy. Mrs. P. A. Reed has been on the sick list.

A number of citizens of Des Arc and College Hill met together and gave a donation party to Mr. Spickerman and his sister last week. Among the number was Lawyer O. L. Munger, who accompanied the good people and was very liberal in his donation. Lawyer Munger is a big hearted good christian man. He made a very impressive talk on Charity and loving our neighbor. Mr. Spickerman also made a short talk thanking the people for their kindness and thoughtful deeds of them in their old age. They are both growing feeble and will not be here many more years. May God help them to live true to him.

Elijah Myers from Bismarck was called here last week by the illness of his mother.

Ed. Reed has gone to Cape Girardeau to attend the State Normal.

Dr. Whiteside was an Ironton visitor Monday.

Mrs. Tyler Keathley came down from Ironton Thursday to visit her mother, Mrs. Wm. Lewis.

Judge Schmidt and wife are in St. Louis this week.

Carwit Myers from Ironton was called here last week by the illness of his grandmother.

John Farris and wife were St. Louis visitors last week.

E. W. Graves went to Poplar Bluff last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Peck from Ironton attended the funeral of the latter's grandmother, Mrs. Andrew Myers, here Saturday.

Everett Myers returned to Poplar Bluff Sunday having been called here by the death of his grandmother.

Elmer and Dennis Lovelace have returned from South Dakota.

The Ladies are getting ready a box of fruit to send to the Orphans Home in St. Louis for Xmas. So each family in town that can give can of fruit please leave it at R. H. Stevenson's Store and it will be thankfully received. It is our Christian duty to help the orphans.

Furs are greatly appreciated as gifts by the ladies. We have a fine assortment for the Christmas Trade. Misses' Fur Sets from \$1.50 to \$5.00 per set. Ladies' Fur Sets from \$8.00 to \$25.00 per set.

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Belleview News.

J. C. Paulus visited his daughter in Bismarck last week.

W. F. Middleton of Irondale visited relatives in this community last week.

Miss Ruby Farmer of Cedar Grove neighborhood visited her aunt, Mrs. H. Latham, last Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. McColl of Piedmont visited in the home of Mrs. Virginia McColl a few days last week.

Rev. H. P. Crow of Fredericktown filled the pulpit of the Methodist Church last Sunday and Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Lacy Chronister visited relatives at Shepherd a few days last week.

Grandpa Geo. Phillips celebrated his 83rd birthday last Sunday. A sumptuous dinner was prepared by his daughter-in-law, Mrs. C. N. Phillips. There were present: Geo. Phillips, Jr., and family, J. J. Phillips and family, Mrs. A. J. Townsend and family, C. N. Phillips and family beside other relatives and friends.

The Annual Teachers' Meeting of the Belleview District was held at the Hall last Saturday afternoon. All the teachers of the District were present except one. The papers were excellent and the discussions interesting.

The Literary Program by the pupils of the several school districts in the evening was well rendered. Mr. Burnham presided both at the evening exercises, and was at his best. He has done a great work for the Public Schools of the county the past five years and we regret to see him go out of office.

Miss Audrey Brooks of Brule was guest of Miss Minta Stuart a few days last week.

The Belleview Library Club will give a Play entitled, "Under the Laurels," also two short plays, on next Friday evening. Oysters and pie will be served after the program. Come and help the club to place in the Library new volumes of good literature for your boys and girls, instead of the cheap trashy story papers, etc. Every cent above actual expenses of the play will be used to purchase books.

Obituary.

The people of Des Arc are once more grieved by the passing away of one of the oldest residents of our town.

Mrs. Mary Frances Myers, widow of the late Andrew Myers, an old soldier, who was a member of Co. I, 51 Missouri Volunteers. He preceded her in death March 27, 1913. To this union was born five children, three of whom have already crossed the silent stream of death.

Two children, Mrs. Dr. N. A. Farr, of Des Arc, and Mr. Elijah Myers, of Bismarck, Mo., seven grandchildren and two great grandchildren are left to mourn her loss. She had attained the good old age of 70 years, 6 months, and 16 days.

The Good Master had permitted her to linger here a long while. She was blessed with a kind disposition and her interest in her children, and especially her grandchildren, was one of great devotion and worthy of our strongest commendation. "Grandma" Myers, as she was familiarly known, had not been in good health for the past two months, having suffered a paralytic stroke from which her whole system was affected. On Monday evening last week she suffered a second stroke in which she became speechless, and the disease weakened her to such an extent that she succumbed at 5 minutes to 3 o'clock on last Friday afternoon, December 4th, 1914. Everything that loving care and medical aid could do to restore her to health proved in vain. Grandma Myers was a most excellent woman in many ways.

For a great many years she has been a consistent and humble follower of Jesus and her interest in her friends and neighbors won for her the love of them all. Her greatest pleasure was in doing something for others and her deeds of kindness on earth cannot be numbered here. They are only numbered in Heaven. To speak of her absence of how she will be missed is more than we can tell. God above knows how great the sadness, how her loved ones will miss her. But it was his will to take her. To look upon her face so calm and peaceful with an expression that spoke peace and rest, was an inspiration and lasting consolation to her loved ones and friends. May God bless the bereaved ones. The funeral was conducted from the home Saturday evening at 2:30 by Bro. J. L. Strader, Superin-

endent of the Baptist Sunday School. He made a very pathetic talk, speaking words of consolation to the heart-broken children and grandchildren, after which the body was laid to rest in the Des Arc Cemetery, with her other loved ones.

Let us bear the separation. Till we meet to part no more, Then we will be with Jesus, On that happy golden shore.

ISAAC.

I have a few Hereford Bulls for sale—aged 6 to 8 months. J. H. LONG, Belleview, Mo.

Obituary.

On Monday evening, November 30th, the Death Angel visited the home of Andrew West, of Ironton, and summoned their beloved son, John, who had been suffering with a lingering illness of several months. He departed from this life of misery and entered into rest, in that beautiful City beyond Death's Sea.

He was taken to one of the St. Louis Hospitals several weeks before his death and the doctors did all they could for him. He seemed to be improving, and about two weeks ago he was brought home, where he remained a short while 'till God, in His infinite mercy, ceased his suffering and called him home. He was 17 years, 10 months and 18 days old.

He was a good Christian boy, loved by all who ever knew him; and we feel assured that he is now at rest in that mansion prepared for him, for he left such bright testimonies behind as only one who is wholly prepared could do.

He was a dear boy, and will be missed very much by all who ever knew him.

Rev. Powers preached the funeral at his home; then he was taken to the Cove, where his remains were laid away to rest in that cemetery.

Every one sympathizes in the bereaved parents. A FRIEND.

House, Barn, Buggy and Auto Paint, Floor and Furniture Stains, Linoleum Coating, Turpentine and Linseed Oil at A. Rieck & Son.

BIG COMBINATION SALE

Registered and High Grade Cattle, Hogs, Sheep and Weaning Mules

Consisting of 30 HEREFORD CATTLE. Embracing Cows, Heifers and Bull Calves. Also the Registered Young Roan Shorthorn Bull, GEN. NOBLE No. 391,885, Sired by White Royal 251,208, out of Gertrude 10,709.

20—Good Weaning Mare Mules—20

15—Head of High Grade Sheep—15

30—Registered Poland Chinas—30

are eligible to register, consisting of bred Sows, Gills and serviceable Young Boars.

SALE WILL TAKE PLACE ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1914, AT THE FARM OF LINDER MILLER, situate on Gravel Road, 3 1-2 miles west of JACKSON, MO.

Sale will take place, rain or shine. In case of bad weather, plenty of shelter available. Autos will run all day from Jackson to farm. Lunch will be served on the grounds.

TERMS—CASH. Do not fail to make use of this opportunity to get good stock at your own figure. Full information as to breeding, etc., will be furnished in advance on application.

LINDER MILLER, W. F. SCHADE, GEO. E. SEIBFRT.

Auctioneer: Thos. B. Straughn, Ste. Genevieve, Mo.

SHERIFF'S SALE AS TRUSTEE.

Whereas, Theodore Schuberck and Maria Schuberck, his wife, by their certain deed of trust, dated the 21st day of July, 1914, and duly recorded in the office of the Recorder of Deeds, for the County of Iron and State of Missouri, in Book 67, at page 47, conveying to Edgar R. Hammel, trustee, the following described real estate, situate in the County of Iron and State of Missouri, to-wit:

The north half of the southeast quarter of section thirty, township thirty-two, range three east, containing eighty acres, more or less;

Which conveyance was made to said trustee in trust to secure the payment of four (4) certain promissory notes fully described therein; and, further, that said property, land and premises, buildings would be kept occupied and securely insured in a reliable insurance company or insurance companies against loss by fire or tornado in sums not less than two thousand dollars each, to secure the holder of said notes against loss; and it is further stipulated in said deed that the said trustee be made in keeping said property insured against fire and tornado for the benefit and security of the holder of said notes; and that each and every of said notes shall then become due and payable at the option of the holder of said notes; and

Whereas, said property has been abandoned by said first parties, thereby cancelling the insurance then in force on said property and creating a condition whereby said property is not and cannot be insured; and

Whereas, the legal holder of said notes elects and declares that default has been made in the payment of the principal and interest due on said notes, and directs the trustee, Edgar R. Hammel, to proceed to advertise said above described property for sale as required under the terms of said deed of trust;

And, whereas, on the 7th day of December, 1914, the said Edgar R. Hammel, trustee, refused in writing to execute said trust, and application having been made to Hon. E. M. Dearing, Judge of the Circuit Court, did, on said 7th day of December, 1914, duly appoint Wm. Blue, Sheriff of Iron County, Missouri, trustee, to carry out the terms and provisions of said deed of trust;

Now, therefore, at the request of the legal holder of said notes, and in pursuance of the terms of said deed of trust, I, the undersigned sheriff and trustee, will, on

Monday, the 14th day of January, 1915, at the courthouse door, in the City of Ironton, Iron County, Missouri, between the hours of nine o'clock in the forenoon and five o'clock in the afternoon, of that day, sell, at public vendue, the above described real estate and property to the highest bidder for cash, to satisfy said notes and the costs and expenses of this trust.

WM. BLUE, Sheriff and Trustee. Ironton, Mo., Dec. 9, 1914.



The Christmas Season is here. The Big Store never offered a Larger or More Beautiful Line of Carefully Selected GIFT GOODS than at the present Holiday Time. We earnestly invite you to call and inspect our Displays.

If it's 5c or \$25.00 you have for Christmas Presents you will find something to please you here.

MAKE THE CHILDREN HAPPY! Nothing brings more joy to the child's heart at Christmas than TOYS. We have Many Hundreds of Toys at the Popular Prices of 5c, 10c, 25c and 50c each. Make the Children Happy!

DOLLS Dolls for the Girls. China Dolls, Rubber Dolls, Character Dolls, Kid Body Dolls, at from 5c to \$3.75 each. Doll Shoes, Doll Heads and Doll Accessories of all kinds, and TRUNKS to keep them in.

Don't Forget the Boys! Wagons, Sleds, Horns, Tops and Balls, Air-Guns, Rifles, Velocipedes, Trains, Rocking and Swinging Horses, Desks and Tables, Skates and real Flexible Flyers, and hundreds of other things to make a boy's heart glad.

Gifts for Young Ladies and Girls. Furs are always appropriate. We have a complete New Stock of Fur Sets Misses Sets range from 1.50 to \$5.00 set. Fur Sets for Young Ladies range from \$8 to \$20.

Appropriate Gift Goods for Men. Neckwear. We have a Beautiful Line of New Silk Neckties for Men and Boys from a Chicago Manufacturer, made in Rich Colors, cut Full and Long, both Reversible and Flowing End Styles, at 25c, 50c and 75c. Fine Kid and Mocha Gloves at \$1.00, 1.50 and 1.75 Driving and Automobile Umbrellas, Safety Razors, Shaving Sets, Smokers Sets, Military Sets, etc.

Gifts for the Home. GIFTS THE HOUSEWIVES WILL APPRECIATE. Fancy Furniture, Rockers, Music Cabinets, Book Cases, Dressers, Library Tables, Dining Tables and Chairs, Sewing Machines, Side Boards, China Closets, Kitchen Cabinets from \$5.00 to \$25.00 for Blue and White Enameled. Fine Woolen Blankets, Silkline Covered Comforts and Quilts. Rogers Brothers Silverware in Sets or by the Single Piece. Beautiful New Designs in Cut Glass. FINE CHINAWARE Imported Dinner Sets from \$4.50 for 56 piece set to \$10.00 for 100 piece sets. Coffee Percolators, Chafing Dishes, fine imported Salad Bowls, Celery Trays, Cups, Saucers and Plates.

Bargains in Ladies' Cloaks. A Late Purchase at Great Reductions over Earlier Prices, enables us to offer some Splendid Bargains in Ladies' Cloaks at \$4.50, \$5.00 and \$6.00.

Bargains in Men's Overcoats. Owing to mild weather up to date, we picked up some Great Big Values in Men's Overcoats—these are on sale at \$4.50 \$5.50 and \$8. Ask to see them.

Everweave Fine Silk Hosiery at 50c to \$1.00 pr Kid Gloves, Woolen Gloves, Mirrors, Combs, Manicure Sets, Sewing Sets, Stationery, Silk Waists, Cloaks and Sweaters are always appreciated gifts.

FANCY GROCERIES. Fresh Stock Throughout for the Christmas Season. Big Stock Fresh Candies for the Holidays. Remember we make SPECIAL PRICES TO CHURCHES AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS on Candies Nuts and Oranges in Quantities. Fresh Figs, Dates, Raisins, Oranges, Cocoanuts, Bananas and Apples. Come to our Store for Everything in the GIFT GOODS Line. You will Not be Disappointed.

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