

MANY thousands of cases of "Flu" in Chicago are reported.

A FRIEND hands me a paragraph from St. Chrysostom which I print in this column.

THE jubilators ignored my request that they point out where Christ advocated Prohibition. That request is still before them.

ON July 1st a newspaper in a formerly "wet" city came out with this "Quotation for the Day": "There is a crying for wine in the streets; all joy is darkened, the mirth of the land is gone."—Isaiah, xxiv, 11.

ST. CHRYSOSTOM of the fourth century had his ideas on prohibition. Said he: "I hear men cry when these deplorable excesses happen: 'Would to God there was no wine! What folly, what madness! When other men sin, you find fault with the gifts of God! What insanity is this? Is it the wine that causes this abuse? No, it is not the wine but the intemperance of those who take an evil delight in it. But rather cry out: 'Would to God that there were no drunkenness, no luxury!' But if you shout, 'Would there were no wine!' you should add, would there were no iron because of the murders; would there no night because of the thieves; would there were no light because of the informers; would there were no women on account of the adulteries! In this way you might destroy everything. This is a devilish way of reasoning!"

Bellevue News.

J. A. Townsend was in Madison county the past week buying mules.

Wm. Bainbridge made a business trip to Ironton last Thursday.

Arthur Bond and mother of Bismarck spent last Wednesday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Lashley.

Houston McColl, Principal of the Annapolis school, visited his mother, Mrs. Virginia McColl, Saturday night.

Ed Lawson left Wednesday for St. Louis where he has a position.

Willard Stephens left Tuesday for Ste. Genevieve to look after some business for Wm. King.

Mrs. Julius Eberwein and children have returned to their home in St. Louis County, after a visit with her sister, Mrs. Wm. King.

Kenneth Sutton, who attends Brown's Business College in St. Louis, has been seriously ill from arterial rheumatism, but has recovered sufficiently to be brought home. We hope soon to be able to report him entirely recovered and able to resume his studies.

W. A. Townsend was a business visitor in Sabula Saturday.

J. M. Hartzell is convalescing after a long period of illness.

Dr. A. A. Meador of Flat River was a professional visitor here Sunday.

Russell Farrar spent Sunday with his parents in Ironton. ALPHA.

For Sale.

Ten acres, 3 miles north of Pilot Knob, with four room house, good chicken house, other outbuildings, all in good condition; good well water, young orchard, consisting of all kinds of fruit, all in bearing condition, grape vines, gooseberries, rhubarb; good garden, fenced with wire. Half of the tract, or more, is in cultivation, the rest in timber; also a town lot in east Ironton will be sold with this 10 acres; not improved, but good, level land. Good two-horse wagon and set of double harness, in fair condition, also for sale. A bargain, if taken at once. For information call on

CHARLES F. LASHLEY, Pilot Knob, Mo.

Sabula Items.

Another year! The timber business seems our chief occupation at present. Many mining props.

Some sickness lately among our people. Mr. Hartford Miller and little son are improving after having had pneumonia.

Miss Edna Huggins is improving and will go to a sanitarium, near St. Louis, for treatment.

Mrs. Julius Schiebing is visiting her mother in Bismarck.

Quite a number of the Sabula boys have applied for admission to the M. W. A. lodge at Annapolis.

Miss Clara McLeod has returned from a week's stay in St. Louis.

Miss Edna Lewis of Allenville is our station agent now in Mrs. Huggins' place.

Miss Audrey Brooks has returned to her school from a week's visit at her home, near Bellevue.

Miss Lulu Graham of Des Arc preaches here every third Sunday night. She also has a music class here.

Robert Rood writes from Sully, Iowa, that the winter is much colder there than in Missouri.

Wm. Townsend of Bellevue was here last week buying mules.

Mr. Robinson Lewis and son, Tom, have returned from Fulton, Mo., where they went to see Tony Lewis. His condition is not improved. They hope to have him transferred to the State Hospital at Farmington, so as to be nearer home.

Mrs. Geo. Collins of Ironton visited Mrs. Lee Huggins last week.

Will Sweezy of Stoddard county is visiting C. S. Williams.

SNOW FLAKES.

State Income Tax. Every person who had a net income of \$1,000 or more, if single, and \$2,000 or more, if married, during the year 1919 (household, living expenses, etc., not deducted), is required to fill out and swear to before some officer authorized to administer oaths an income tax return showing his or her total income for the past year. Blanks for this purpose can be obtained from the undersigned. These returns should be made as soon as possible and must be in the hands of the County Assessor before the 1st day of March. Failure to file this return with the Assessor before the date named subjects the delinquent to a fine of \$500. Let all interested act without delay.

JOHN I. MARSHALL, Assessor for Iron County, Mo. Ironton, Mo., Jan'y 12, 1920.

Annapolis News.

Since I wrote you last we have had rain, ice, sleet and snow and cold nights. But nice and clear the past few days.

Wade Hampton has sold his saw mill to Ed Moss and Lucian Kelly. Wade is now working on the new railroad. There is lots of work being done there, pay every two weeks at \$3 a day and short of hands all the time. No trouble to get work these days.

John R. Harris is down with pneumonia.

The post-office has been moved to the residence of the station agent, a block east of the former site.

Lots of people wanting houses here. Every old house is full and lots have been run up too high for a poor man to build a lot and build on.

J. W. Cooper, the brick layer from Des Arc, was here last week looking over our town. He went away satisfied that Annapolis was the coming town. BULLETIN.

Goodwater Items.

The ground having been covered with snow for several days has greatly retarded timber work.

Jas. Payne returned from Barnes Hospital last week. He is not very much improved.

The mump epidemic has somewhat abated.

Mr. Lucas has ordered a Ford touring car.

The timber companies and saw-mill men are trying to get possession of all the timber in this "part of the woods."

Your Correspondent and J. T. Brooks made a business trip to Sligo, Mo., last week.

My father, James O. Scott, died at his home here on the morning of January 13th. He was 87 years, 10 months and 3 days old. He had been an invalid for the past seven years. He had been a true and faithful Christian since early in life, and we feel that he has only passed from suffering into rest. L. W. S.

Doyle Items.

Well, the snow man visited us last Wednesday and Thursday, and we have been enjoying an old-fashioned snow, which will be good on wheat.

Mrs. W. A. Kahler was called to the bedside of her son in St. Louis last week. He is suffering with abscess of the throat.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Parks visited her parents at Oates Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Harriet Stricklin, after spending some time with her daughter, Mrs. G. G. Adams of Goodland, is home again.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Barton visited their daughter, Mrs. John Camden, on Brushy Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. White spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Stricklin.

Mrs. Charley Ash of Little Creek is very ill.

Miss Mae Crocker is staying with Mrs. W. M. Parker.

Our school is progressing nicely. Miss Ida Day spent a few days with home folk last week.

STATEMENT OF CONDITION DECEMBER 30, 1919



Comparative Statement of Our Growth: June 14, 1912 \$18,424.17; March 4, 1914 \$43,412.93; November 17, 1916 \$66,045.41; November 20, 1917 \$99,291.60; November 14, 1918 \$104,542.35; December 30, 1919 \$108,668.35

COUNTY DEPOSITORY Four Per Cent. Interest Paid on Time Deposits

Mrs. McLee fractured her arm in a fall last week. Fred Syrcum and wife have gone to Oklahoma. LONELY ONE. January 16th.

From Goodland. The ice and snow are gradually melting away. Two large new trucks are hauling wood from Redmondville to East End. They are cutting up the roads which are bad enough as it is.

A little daughter was born January 12, to Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Adams. Our school closed last Saturday with an entertainment and pie supper. The proceeds were \$15.00. Miss Goforth has gone to her home in Washington county.

With the passing of Oscar Scott we lose a good man. One who was a leader in his community, always ready to assist those who needed his help. May God comfort the bereaved widow and children.

Fred Stroup and wife are living with W. M. Mayfield and helping him care for his motherless children. Mr. Stroup will farm the coming season. The sawmills are all running full blast. And many loaded wagons pass every day in spite of the ice.

Miss Verna Greenlee is staying with Mrs. Amy Adams. Mrs. Harriet Stricklin who spent a month with her daughter, Mrs. Adams, at Goodland, has returned to her home. TIMOTHY HAY.

White Oak Items. Winter has come at last with an abundance of snow and sleet. A very sad New Year was passed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Keith on account of the death of a little daughter.

Mrs. Annie Thompson was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. J. A. Thompson, Sunday. There was a pie supper at the Oakdale school last week. Everything went off nicely, except for a disturbance created by some bad boys at Redmondville.

Mrs. Rossie Crocker visited at the home of Miss D. R. Thompson Sunday, taking her little daughter and sister with her. Mrs. Tilda Lowe was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Sumpter Sunday.

Miss V. P. Sumpter visited at the home of her brother, W. H. Sumpter, Tuesday. Arthur Day of Red Point and Miss Lola Midyett of South End were married Thursday.

There was a dance at Charlie Henson's Saturday night and it is said there was only one lady present. It seems that dances are a thing of the past in this neck o' the woods.

Irwin Faulkner of Bixby and Miss Bessie Stricklin of Oates were married Friday. BROWN-EYED SISTERS. January 12th.

The Electric Railway. (Centerville Outlook.) Mr. M. R. Cole, the engineer having in charge the locating of suitable sites for damming Current and Black Rivers, arrived in our town yesterday, and proceeded his way down Black River this morning. Mr. Cole represents Eastern capitalists who propose to build an Electric Railway from Cabool, in Texas County to Ironton, Iron County. The waters of Current and Black rivers are to be harnessed and used to generate the power. Mr. Cole paid the Outlook office a short visit while in Centerville and we found him to be a very pleasant gentleman. Mr. Cole made a horse-back survey of the proposed electric line through our county more than a year ago, and we find that he is better acquainted with the territory than some of our

Great Road Building Program.

Washington, D. C.—The greatest road-building program in the history of the country is now under way and will extend throughout the year 1920, according to David F. Houston, Secretary of Agriculture, in whose department is the Federal good roads bureau.

Secretary Houston says road work has been facilitated and much impetus given the good roads movement by the amendment to the Federal aid road act. These amendments were adopted during the Sixty-fifth Congress, which was under democratic control.

Discussing the nation-wide campaign for better roads, which are made possible by Federal aid in conjunction with the States, Secretary Houston says:

"It is interesting to note that up to July 1, 1919, State bond issues aggregating \$224,800,000 had been authorized and approved by popular vote and that provision has been made for voting next year on proposals for the issuance of additional State road bonds to the extent of approximately \$314,000,000. During the present and the next fiscal year there will be made available for road improvement at least one billion dollars. Certainly few laws, if any have produced greater results, either in terms of expenditure for a good purpose or in terms of helpful legislation and machinery, than the Federal aid road act.

"It seems clear, in the circumstances, that the principle limiting factors in the 1920 program will be those of rail transportation for, and production of, suitable road material, the contractors' organizations available, and the labor supply."

Secretary Houston says the 1919 program for road building was greater than any preceding year and was so great in fact, that many of the States must postpone until 1920 the expenditure of Federal funds simply because it is necessary to develop experienced contracting and engineering organizations from the stagnant conditions brought about by the war.

All the Difference. "A heap depends on location," said Uncle Eben. "What some folks calls a flower ain' nuffin' but a weed when it grows up in de wrong place."

Buttonholeless Collar. Instead of buttonholes, a new collar for men has slots to slip over the buttons, those in front interlocking to hold the collar securely.

Absolute Limit. "A man ain't reached de full human capacity foh laziness," said Uncle Eben, "until he gits too lazy even to invent excuses foh it."

Daily Thought. As turning the logs will make a dull fire burn, so changes of studies a dull brain.—Longfellow.

About Liberty Bonds. Interest on Liberty Loans now amounts to between \$800,000,000 and \$900,000,000 per year.

The population of the United States is estimated at something under 110,000,000 persons.

The United States Treasury therefore is disbursing investment profits averaging \$8 each to every man, woman and child in the country.

More than 20,000,000 persons were listed at the close of the Victory Loan as holders of war bonds, indicating an average family holding which just tallies with the above figures—some \$200 worth of Liberty or Victory Bonds, producing an income of \$8 per year.

Hundreds of thousands of persons who never saved money before did so through the purchase of Liberty Bonds and War Savings Stamps. As soon as the war ended, this accumulated money burned their pockets like the small boy's first dollar. They began to sell their Liberty Bonds, very few, proportionately, because they actually needed the money. A very large proportion sold them, at a loss of a few dollars, because they itched to spend the money.

What becomes of the Liberty Bonds sold below par? The strong boxes of the wise investor are the answer.

He is absorbing more of them, knowing that a Government security, absolutely loss proof, and bearing four to four and three quarters per cent interest, is a marvellously good investment.

In the meantime, the Government is continuing the sale of War Savings Stamps, which offer a safe and easy way to save money. They are always redeemable at 10 days' notice, in case of need, at cost, plus interest earned. A far too great proportion traded them for stocks which, in many cases, will prove a total loss. Others sold to invest in stocks of the same lack of worth. Because of the pressure of sales from these motives, Liberty Bonds have been selling below par, and persons compelled by circumstances to sell have been forced to accept a loss of money they could ill afford. This has been the more regrettable because the depreciation in price was artificial.

Notice of Final Settlement. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Monroe Johnston, Executor of the estate of John M. Stricklin, deceased, will make final settlement of his accounts with said estate as such Executor at the next term of the Probate Court of Iron County, Missouri, to be held at Ironton, in said County, on the 9th day of February A. D. 1920.

MONROE JOHNSTON, Executor.

Lisbon's Gambling Clubs.

The Portuguese are born gamblers and the most brilliant side of their night life is found in the exclusive clubs of the city of Lisbon. Wonderfully appointed, with added attractions of excellent dining rooms, music, dancing, reading rooms and libraries, they are kept alive by one thing—the Portuguese love of play.

Just a Hint. Gerald lives downstairs and comes up whenever he smells something good being made. One day was doughnut day and Gerald, being cautioned by his mother never to ask for anything, said: "I mustn't ask for anything, but—um—them doughnuts smell good!"

Probably He Did. As Mary came running in from play the other day she met her grandfather, whom she had never seen before and who had very long whiskers. "Oh," she exclaimed when she saw him, "do you keep those whiskers on all the time, even when you go to bed?"

Carries Many Seaplanes. An Italian seaplane ship carries a large number of planes suspended from the sides of the vessel, where they may be readily and quickly dropped into the sea when occasion occurs to make a flight.

Seek Wise Counsel. Consult with him that is wise and conscientious, and seek to be instructed by a better than thyself, rather than to follow thine own inventions.—Thomas a Kempis.

Daily Thought. Great men too often have greater faults than little men can find room for.—Landon.

Such Is Life. "Rich man, twin-six. Poor man, six twins," is the way the Everett Herald puts it.

Leads in Shoe Manufacture. Lynn, Mass., with over 700 factories, is the leading shoe city in the world.

THE NEW IRONTON HOTEL

MRS. G. W. COLLINS, PROPRIETRESS. Main Street, South of the Court House.

With all Furnishings new and first-class and Table Service excelled by none, she confidently solicits a share of the public patronage. Special attention given to Transients.

RATE 2.50 PER DAY. WM. E. EDGAR. WM. E. EDGAR, JR.

EDGAR & EDGAR ATTORNEYS AT LAW, IRONTON, MO.

Practice in all the Courts of the State. DR. J. L. HICKMAN State Deputy Veterinarian

HOGS VACCINATED. Local and Long Distance Phones. Calls Attended All Hours. Interstate Inspections Made. PIEDMONT AND DES ARC, MO..

PROBATE DOCKET.

Term Docket of the Probate Court, Iron County, Mo., February Term.—A. D. 1920.

Monday, February 9th. Isaac Kelley, guardian of the persons and curator of the estates of George D. Leonard and Paul T. Leonard, minors.

J. C. Ricketts, administrator of the estate of Arthur G. Ricketts, deceased.

Monroe Johnston, administrator of the estate of John M. Stricklin, deceased.

Tuesday, February 10th. J. M. Hawkins, guardian of the persons and curator of the estates of Gladys Peace, Girard Peace, Frederic Peace, Willard Peace and Mary Peace, minors.

T. N. Marr, guardian of the persons and curator of the estates of Alpha Mae M. Beller, Henry M. Beller, Vest V. S. Sims and Dallas Sims, minors.

Wednesday, February 11th. T. N. Marr, administrator of the estate of William Belcher, deceased.

T. N. Marr, administrator of the estate of Joseph A. Scott, deceased.

Caroline T. Hermann, administrator of the estate of Henry F. I. Hermann, deceased.

SAM M. BREVSTER, Judge of Probate & ex-Oficio Clerk.

Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Monroe Johnston, Executor of the estate of John M. Stricklin, deceased, will make final settlement of his accounts with said estate as such Executor at the next term of the Probate Court of Iron County, Missouri, to be held at Ironton, in said County, on the 9th day of February A. D. 1920.

MONROE JOHNSTON, Executor.