

A Mad Rush!

Hundreds of the knowing ones thronged Hamburger's Store Friday and yesterday until nearly midnight. The selling of the Great Salem Department Store Stock was the magnet that drew the crowds.

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WILSON'S HEALTH APPEARS TO BE IMPROVED

President is Looking Very Well Think Observers in Washington.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 5.—The president has returned from his Thanksgiving outing in the Bay state, looking much rested and refreshed by his little holiday. On the first anniversary of their wedding day Mrs. Sayre was delighted to have her father with her to join in the celebration. Unfortunately Miss Margaret Wilson and Miss Bones could not get away from Washington in time to join the family party at the Sayre's home in Williamstown for Thanksgiving day, but it is said that Miss Margaret is expecting to visit her sister a little later.

Sunday was bright and clear and just cold enough to be delightful. The president and party motored to church in the morning in the big White House car. Strollers on Sixteenth street after church was over were many, and those who caught a glimpse of the handsome automobile in which the chief executive was comfortably ensconced upon how well Mr. Wilson is now looking. The magnificent new Masonic Temple at the corner of T and Sixteenth street is rapidly nearing completion. When finished it will be one of the most beautiful and effective buildings not only on the avenue of the presidents, but in the city. It is pure Egyptian in style and the huge stone of the enormous sphinxes which are to adorn each side of the great flight of broad marble stairs leading up to the massive portal are in place, and ready for the carver's chisel.

Vice President Dinner Guest The annual Royal Arch dinner given by the Masons of the capital occurred last Friday evening in the banquet room of the new Masonic Temple. The recent inauguration of having an annual dinner it is said is due to the activities of the leading members, who desire to bring all Masons together, informally, once a year for a jovial evening. Vice President Marshall delivered the principal address at the banquet, which was largely attended by the Royal Arch Masons of the city and by guests from the adjoining states. Mr. Marshall was in a particular happy mood, and treated his brother Masons to a "fast of reason and a flow of soul." There is no official in Washington today more sought after as a speaker than is the popular vice president.

A Soldier's Song A pretty little story is told by an old soldier who touches for its absolute truth. It seems a certain Confederate who was a "dead shot" was dispatched one night in '63 to "pick off" the Union sentry doing duty at

a nearby post on the Potomac. As he noiselessly stole through the bushes and approached his unconscious victim he heard the man softly singing, in a fine baritone voice. He caught the words and melody of the old hymn, "Jesus, Lover of my Soul." With his gun aimed at the unconscious singer's heart, the southerner's eyes grew misty. He could not kill the "Yank" while he was singing the hymn his own mother loved. Thoughts of the dear old soul at rest in the quiet Georgia churchyard made his fingers tremble. He pictured his old mother in her big rocking chair by the chimney corner softly singing that very hymn in the long, lousy ago as she rocked him to sleep.

"Hide me, of, my Savior hide, till the storms of life are past," sang the fine manly voice. Choking back a sob, with tear dimmed eyes he heard a splendid southerner stole away. He was a man, as well as a soldier. He couldn't kill in cold blood.

Years after, the story goes, one evening the southerner happened in at a little church service in a northern village. An old A. R. with a splendid baritone voice was singing. After the services the southerner made his way up to him and inquired where he had been on a certain night in 1863. The singer replied, telling that he had been encamped with a certain regiment on the Potomac. The other then frankly told the story of how the words of the old hymn his mother had sung had saved his life. The Confederate held out his hand, and the Union veteran grasped it warmly. The next moment the two men were clasped in a close embrace, both thanking God in their hearts that, in America, at least, the war is over.

For the first time in the history of the Orient, feminine members of Moslem harems are being permitted to take an active part in relief work. Although the Mohammedans live up strictly to the very letter of the old law, "Thou shalt make until thyself no graven image, or the likeness of anything," etc., still, even in Turkey the tight bonds which have bound women for centuries are being loosened at last. A large picture showing the members of the Turkish Red Crescent society, photographed in a group all at work making bandages and preparing hospital supplies has been published in the papers of Europe and America. All but two of the ladies are shown with their hair covered—showing the hair in Oriental countries being most immodest—but all of them are seen with uncovered faces. A wonderful innovation indeed for women who are all of them members of Harem families.

How Some Men Vote Attention is called by an editorial in a New York paper to an article written by a Mr. Mason Olcott apropos of the absurd ignorance disclosed by the votes examined in a certain district. Of 187 valid votes five were found to be entirely blank. On eight ballots there were no vote for governor; on forty-three, no vote for United States senator; on fifty-five no vote for city court justice. That is to say twenty-three per cent of the much vaunted "superior sex" could not choose a candidate for senator, and twenty-two could not choose a candidate for justice.

"Evidently this relative paralysis of the faculty of selection," says the

CREDIT TO WHOM CREDIT IS DUE

By G. W. Dudderar, secretary-treasurer board of trade.

About a year ago when I took hold of the board of trade work here, it seemed that Clarksburg had passed through a period of two years with less industrial development than might reasonably have been expected with our remarkably cheap fuel supply. Within two months, among many industrial propositions, we entered into negotiations with the D. E. McNicol Pottery Company, East Liverpool, O., and after a preliminary visit by the secretary to East Liverpool and representatives of the pottery company to Clarksburg, we sent a committee representing the board of trade to investigate this proposition. Our cheap gas was the big consideration inducing this move, but the change of location involving practically the loss of their East Liverpool factory and heavy moving expenses prompted the pottery company to ask some cash consideration towards this loss. After carefully considering the value of this enterprise, its number of employees, the investment represented, it was decided that the board agree to raise a cash bonus and that the board of trade land company furnish factory site and a certain number of building lots.

Upon that basis the deal was consummated, this being made possible by subscriptions of certain far-sighted firms and individuals of Clarksburg who could see this proposition in a business light of an investment and wait for the returns through the annual payrolls from this plant when in operation.

Under our agreement, the pottery company is to build two new kiln plants, one of which is about completed and should be in full operation before New Year. These plants will employ over 600 operatives and have an approximate annual payroll of one-half million dollars.

Was not this effort well worth while? Well, here are the names of the firms and individuals who thought so and who made the location of this plant possible:

Clarksburg Board of Trade Land Company, Clarksburg Light & Heat Company, C. E. Prunty, Monongahela Valley Traction Company, The Par-

sons-Souders Company, the Watts-Lambert Company, V. L. Highland, Willison & Dennison Company, T. J. Lynch & Company, the Home Furnishing Company, R. T. Lowndes, John L. Ruhl and John Koblegard, the Hornor-Gaylord Company, the Standard Milling Company, Judge Nathan Goff, Union National Bank, the Palace Furniture & Piano Company, Morris Furniture Company, the Williams Hardware Company, C. W. Leggett, Lard & White, Wells-Haymaker Company, D. M. Ogden Company, A. F. Wagner, the Koblegard Company, E. R. Davis & Company, Southern Pine Lumber Company, Vance & Hornor, Alexander & Alexander, M. A. Nisbaum, Inc., S. C. Watkins & Company, the James & Law Company, Martin Brothers, Cecil B. Highland, G. M. West, John P. Gandy, Dudley D. Britt, E. B. DeLeon, W. H. Lewis, H. L. Cunningham, B. M. Despard, R. D. Mayo, R. D. Wilson Sons Company, Willison & Earle West, Lynch-Osborn Undertaking Company, Donohue & Johnson, Empire Laundry Company, Stone & Mercer, Roberts Hardware Company, Hart Produce Company, H. M. Heavner, Peoples Furniture Store, F. G. Bland, the John O'Hare Company, the F. C. Welch Company, J. B. Hart, W. J. Cole, J. W. Agnew, Pardee & Curtin Lumber Company, Carter & Sheets, Brunswick Poolroom, D. W. Cork, Finger-Siegel Company, R. A. Haynes, W. Guy Tetrick, Ross F. Stout, Richards Construction Company, J. B. Supler, Sperry & Sperry, A. J. Speir, Sheridan R. Griffin, Hornor Brothers, Paul, Boyd and Carl, Highland Brothers & Gore, R. E. Gill, Harvey W. Harmer, E. B. Templeman, B. F. Robinson, Clarksburg Wholesale Confectionary Company, Steptoe & Johnson, Concrete Steel Bridge Company, D. C. Louchery, Hayman Greenhouse Company, Hornor & Hood, W. S. Simeral, Jack Marsk, the Odeon, A. Hamburger, J. W. Dudley Sons Company, J. S. Stone (dentist), J. T. Swager, P. J. Giancy, Home Bakery, Imperial Ice Cream Company, Radey & Deem, Millard F. Snyder, W. Gaston, and West Virginia Feed & Flour Company.

General Committee

The principal authority of the National Board rests in a general committee of some twenty members, chosen from as many different organizations of a civic, educational, or charitable nature. These representatives are chosen by the organization itself, and elected by the National Board of Censorship. The chairman of this committee is Dr. Frederic C. Howe, until recently director of the People's Institute, but now the commissioner of immigration at New York.

In addition to the general committee, there are fifteen members at large, of recognized distinction and ability in public affairs, as well as an executive committee and an office staff. There is also an advisory committee consisting of upward of fifty men of national eminence.

Visit Studios

The actual work of censoring is done by a group of committees, chosen by the general committee, numbering one hundred and thirty-five persons. These committees are divided into smaller groups, who meet daily in the various moving picture studios in New York and pass upon original films. The large size of this censoring committee and the diverse views represented insure a judgment amply fair and representative of general public opinion. The members are persons of culture and more or less prominence in social and other public life in New York—doctors, lawyers, clergymen, and, in fact, men and women of all kinds of activities.

Make Suggestions

They view films, make criticism, suggest changes when necessary, and, if approved or altogether condemn entire films. A majority of the committee voting determines the action of the board on any film. From this decision an appeal may be taken by the manufacturer, or by a minority of the committee. This appeal goes to the general committee. The members of the original censorship committee state their reasons for or against, the owner of the film also presenting his side. The general committee thereupon proceeds to pass upon the film, approving it or recommending changes or condemning it entirely. This action is final, and notification of it is sent to the owner of the film and, through the weekly bulletin, to correspondents of the board.

NATIONAL BOARD OF CENSORSHIP IS TOLD ABOUT

Judges of Motion Pictures Are Prominent Charity and Social Workers.

The "movie" film has run its flickering course, the hero has triumphed, the villain has been felled, and moral has perhaps been driven home. After the pictured climax fades into obscurity there flashes out on the screen the legend: "Passed by the National Board of Censorship." This brief sentence has now become familiar to the frequenters of moving picture theaters in every nook and corner of the United States, says the American Review for December.

Puzzle to Many Censorship is a strange word in democratic America. Who is this National Board of Censorship? How does it work, and why? About five years ago Dr. Charles Sprague Smith, director of the People's Institute in New York City, felt the need of some regulative influence in the rapidly developing moving picture industry.

So the National Board of Censorship was organized, with the cooperation of the motion picture theaters in New York City. In June, at the request of the film manufacturers, the work became national in scope. The clerical machinery of the People's Institute is used in conducting the business of the board. The organization is self-governing, electing its own officers and executive staff, and controlling its own finances. No member of the board is engaged in any branch of the motion picture business and no voting member receives any salary for his services.

EX-CONVICTS

Are to Be Looked after by a New Society with Headquarters at Huntington.

Local men and women, especially those of known philanthropic heart, have had their attention directed in the last few days to the new society recently organized within the bounds of this state, but having a national scope, the name of which is the Prisoners' Relief society, having headquarters at Huntington, this state, Boyd Jarrell, editor of the Huntington Herald-Dispatch, has addressed the foreword to the country at large, telling something of the principles of the new society.

The name is almost self-explanatory, the main purpose being to look after the ex-convicts of this country. It is a "fact which furnishes a sad indictment against our boasted civilization that every man's hand is too often lifted against the one who has had the misfortune to serve time in prison." The problem is one vitally important in this community, where so many men are thrown out of the penitentiary at Moundsville with no place to go nor anything to do. There is surely a large field, hitherto relatively untouched, for the practice of humanitarian principles in this direction and Clarksburg, as has been her custom, will not be behind in something that is so good, or fall in an attitude toward the question that this state has first begun to solve.



Clarksburg's Greatest Christmas Store

Cameras

A new shipment just arrived of the famous Seneca Cameras, both box and folding cameras. Roll Film to fit all sizes of kodaks and Primos.

We develop all films FREE. Expert work only.

Toyland

is open every day and evening, when all that is new and novel is to be seen. Do your buying now while the line is complete.

Ice Cups

Some beautiful new designs. Have you seen them?

Tally Place Cards

A new line of dainty hand colored Tally and Place Cards that your guests will be pleased to retain.

The greatest line of 50c popular fiction will always be found here.

Dennison Crepe Paper. All colors always in stock. Cut out Dolls—Xmas Luncheon Sets.

THE PIKE NEWS CO.

"THE STORE AHEAD"

SHOP NOW TO GUARD HEALTH

City Department's Bulletin Says Last-Minute Rush Works Hardships.

Do your Christmas shopping now. This admonition comes from the Philadelphia department of health and charities and is made in the interest of public health and in the highest sense of charity, that of being kind and considerate of others.

"Christmas shopping postponed until the last minute," says the weekly bulletin, "works needless hardships on both those who buy and those who sell."

"On the other hand, early Christmas shopping gives the patrons far better service in the stores, relieves them of much inconvenience and discomfort, and avoids the risk of taking 'cold' or contagious disease from being huddled together in crowded

stores and breathing the overheated and vitiated air of such places when their resistive powers are at a low ebb from fatigue and nervous exhaustion and irritability attendant upon late Christmas shopping.

"Another needless risk that can nearly always be avoided by a little forethought is that of taking young children and especially babies in arms on shopping tours.

"In addition to getting better service the public can render a generous service to the large army of salespeople by doing their Christmas shopping early in the season and early in the day. Without this cooperation, the Christmas season is far from being one of merriment and good cheer for most of these busy people, whose physical endurance is often pushed far beyond the healthful limit by the severe strain, mental and physical, or trying to please hurrying customers during the holiday rush."

MUST STUDY GERMAN

(Correspondence of Associated Press). AMSTERDAM, Dec. 5.—A dispatch from Vienna states that the Turkish government has decided to make the study of German compulsory in all the state schools throughout the Ottoman empire.

PIRATE CHEST

Containing More Than \$17,000 Discovered on Island in Susquehanna River.

DANVILLE, Pa., Dec. 5.—What is believed to be a pirate treasure chest, with more than \$17,000 in it, was discovered by Frank Lewis and Isaac Gearhart, of Danville, who were digging up fern roots on an island three miles below the borough. It was rust covered and showed signs of great age.

Calling Isaac Rorke, who was plowing nearby, they broke it open and were surprised when they saw the fortune inside.

Sixteen thousand dollars, Mexican silver, \$20 in Spanish gold and \$1000 in smaller Spanish coins of an early mintage were counted before the bottom was reached. There is an old tale that the pirate, Captain Kidd, being hard pressed on the Chesapeake bay by other pirates, entered the Susquehanna and made his way to "Crooks Rifles," which was the name of part of the island where the money was found.

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