



Laugh With Us—  
Not At Us—

Perfect Ladies?

Local merchants report that there has been an unusual increase in the sale of tape measures since the Garrison sisters, one of whom is said to be one of the most perfectly formed women in the world, appeared at the Grand theater Wednesday night. So far we haven't heard of any women in Bemidji claiming the championship, although some of them are believed to have a perfect right.

—And a Pretty Fair Left—

The Tell-Tale

"Woman Says Husband Has Another Wife," reads a headline in a Twin City paper. Probably she found 15 cents missing from his pay envelope last Saturday night and just knew that he must be keeping an other woman.

—Checking Him Up—

The First Hundred Years, Etc.

Right in line with chiropractic announcements that a person can live to be one hundred years old through proper treatment, an eminent doctor says you can live to be a hundred if you eat only sour milk, cheese and bread. No doubt, but that is right. It would be pretty hard to kill the man who could eat sour milk and cheese.

—No One Would Harm Them—

Boy, Page Mr. Edison

If "touch" is the most delicate of

## MICKIE, THE PRINTER'S DEVIL



I KNOW YOU! YOU'RE THE KID THAT'S BEEN BRAGGING ALL OVER NEW YORK ABOUT YOUR LITTLE HOME TOWN BACK IN ILLINOIS



IT AIN'T SO LITTLE! WHERE'D YA GET THAT STUFF?



MY OLE HOME TOWN IS GOT A POPULATION OF 1500



WHY, NEW YORK KILLS MORE FOLKS THAN THAT EVERY YEAR

all the senses, why is it that some married men say that their wives have no sense?

—No Harm in Saying It—

Try the Snake Dance

Dear Twentieth Century: I have been advised that dancing keeps one young but I have been trying it out lately and I have so far found no benefits from it. What have you got to say?—I. M. Older.

Yes, it is said that dancing keeps one young. But maybe you are not the one, and when you begin to get stooped and get pains in your back, you're not doing the right kind of a dance, that's all.

—On With the Dance—

Meaning Less

Among the things that don't mean a hang of a lot, we would like to include the following:

"I had firmly intended to do a lot of Christmas shopping this year, but—"

"I always pay my bills on time,

but—"

"I always play my best game of bridge on the way home."

"But, John! Why blame me for the size of the eggs. You know where they came from."

"Surely, the price of my railroad ticket leads me to believe they may name a Pullman after me."

"Just because a girl walks like a peacock she is not necessarily proud."

—No, She May Be Foolish—

Don't Forget the Consequences

A local liquor fiend says that it is not only harder to get but also harder to drink. Then, he must also remember that it's also harder to get over.

—And Harder to Get Away From—

London—A "Please shut the door" notice in fourteen languages adorns the main door of the Enemy Debts Clearing House, London.

## U. S. WORKING GIRLS PRAISED BY BRITON

By Chas. McCann,  
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

London, Dec. 9.—Business girls in America do not bob their hair nor smoke.

That is, if Miss E. MacDonald, British delegate to the International Congress of Working Women at Geneva, obtained the correct impression of American business life from American delegates.

Miss MacDonald has returned to London enthusiastic over the American girl office worker.

"Many American women were at the conference," she said. "They struck me as being more alive than those of any other nation."

"The American girls, I was told, are very difficult to organize into unions because none of them intend

to remain as routine workers. A girl goes into a business as a junior typist and before long she is assistant to the head of the firm."

"But it doesn't do for her to bob her hair or smoke."

"I was much impressed by the opportunities of promotion which girls have in America. They are better paid than the clerks here. Many of them come to Europe for a holiday. Their firms give them leave for the purpose—it is looked on as part of their business education."

"One girl I met, who is employed by an association which disseminates literature among the universities, had been given nine months' leave to come to Europe. The representative of the waitresses of America told me that they are either very badly paid or very well paid. The two extremes often exist in cafes side by side."

"Miss Zung, the Chinese delegate, told me that the Chinese suffragettes have lately been fighting the police."

Some of the Chinese girls are now ticket inspectors on the railways, and many are typists."

## UP-TO-DATE WRITERS USE "AMERICANISMS"

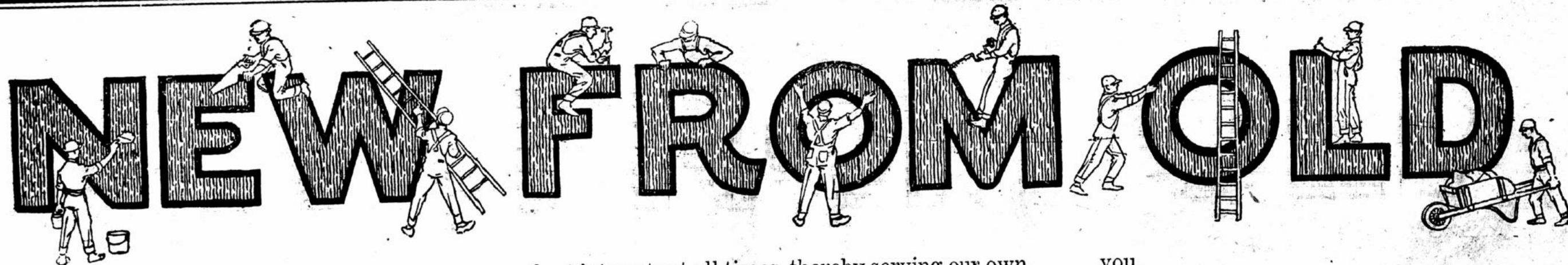
Many words and phrases that have a peculiar significance in the United States have come into common use in recent years. They are encountered every day in articles contributed to the newspapers and the magazines by the best writers. A carefully selected list of such "Americanisms" will be found in The New Universities Dictionary being offered to the readers of this paper. They make up one of the 22 supplementary dictionaries which have been incorporated in this remarkable volume, compiled and edited by leading American lexicographers, including Jermy W. Long, Ph.D., Harvard university; Clark S. Northrup, Ph.D., Cornell university;

John C. Rolfe, Ph.D., University of Pennsylvania; Forrest S. Lunt, A.M., Columbia university; and Morris W. Croll, Ph.D., Princeton university. The editor-in-chief is George J. Hagar, compiler of many previous dictionaries and encyclopedias. The book is new, absolutely new. Its definitions are simple, accurate and authoritative.

## MARKETS

### POTATO MARKET

Chicago, Dec. 9.—Potato market steady. Receipts 43 cars. Total U. S. shipments 426 cars. Wisconsin whites, sacked and bulk, \$1.65 to \$1.75; Minnesota round whites, sacked and bulk, \$1.50 to \$1.70; Red River Ohio, sacked, \$1.60 to \$1.70; Michigan round whites, sacked, \$1.65 to \$1.75; Idaho rurals, sacked, \$1.75 to \$1.85.



IN LINE with Bemidji enterprise, we have built a handsome store on our old site that will be worthy of the patronage of Northern Minnesota.

We acknowledge—first of all—that it has been only through the loyalty of our many customers that we have been able to go ahead with an enterprise such as this has been.

Our business policy has always been "to give the very best values possible" to maintain a service that could be appreciated—and to serve our customer's

best interests at all times, thereby serving our own.

And with these ideas in mind for the future, we have no fear for the success of our new enlarged store. In fact, we rather fancy the idea that we will need to enlarge our store again, in the near future, to keep pace with the ever-growing business interests of Bemidji.

We want YOU to feel an interest in this enterprise—to feel that YOU have helped to make it possible—that it is YOUR store—we are here to serve

you.

Aside from the new store features you will, no doubt, be interested in many of the nationally known lines of Hardware that are sold here exclusively—Merchandise of the better sort—at no higher prices than you are asked to pay for ordinary merchandise.

Just now our store is well stocked with suggestions for Christmas Giving—things that will be useful for years to come—things that you will feel that you have not squandered money on.

### Flash Lights

A good, serviceable Flashlight; selling regularly for \$1.75—  
**SATURDAY ONLY \$1.00**

### Brooms

A strong, well sewed Broom, a splendid value; regular price \$1.00—  
**SATURDAY ONLY 75c**

### Tea Kettles

Copper nickel-plated Tea Kettles; regular \$2.25 value—  
**SATURDAY ONLY \$1.50**

## Christmas Suggestions to Please Men

WINCHESTER SHOT GUNS, AMMUNITION, FLASHLIGHTS, FISHING RODS, SKATES, SKATING SHOES, SKIS AND SNOWSHOES, GUN CASES, BICYCLES, TOOL CABINETS, GOLF BAGS, CLUBS, BALLS, WINCHESTER AXE, HUNTING AXE, RIFLES, POCKET KNIVES, RAZORS, REVOLVERS, VACUUM BOTTLES, FISHING TACKLE, LUNCH BOXES, WATCHES, TOOLS, AUTOMOBILE ACCESSORIES, AUTOMOBILE TIRES, AUTOMOBILE WRENCH SETS

## Everything for the Farm

IN LAYING OUT OUR STORE, one of the principal features we had in mind was to make it easier for the farmer to have his wants filled. We have literally thousands of bins, and compartments in which we will keep Machine Parts. Our Display Floor is large enough to show many of the Machines that we handle, and, with our factory connections, we are in a position to give the best of service.

We will continue to handle all of the smaller articles needed on the farm.

We want our many friends who live in this vicinity to see our store, either at the time of our opening—**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10TH**—or as soon after as possible.

We Have a LADIES' REST ROOM with toilet facilities, and where we will have a Gas Range installed for the use of farmers' wives and families who wish to heat their lunch when they come to the city.

SAME OLD CORNER IN A NEW HOME

# BEMIDJI HARDWARE COMPANY

C. W. Vandersluis

The WINCHESTER Store

W. Z. Robinson

FOURTH ST. & MINN. AVE. JUST WHERE WE STARTED

Bring in your Christmas Parcels, no matter where you bought them, and let us wrap them up for you for mailing or express. We have every facility for service.

## Get a Free Ticket

Every Person Entering Our Store Saturday Will Receive a Ticket. At 8:30 That Evening We Will Give Away ABSOLUTELY FREE

A 32-PIECE ALUMINUM SET

PAY US A VISIT SATURDAY!

Souvenirs for Ladies and Children

## Not Forgetting the "Kids"

WE OFFER SOME SENSIBLE SUGGESTIONS on what to have Santa Claus bring the "Boy" or "Girl"—things that will be a health-giving joy for many seasons—

AIR GUNS, KNIVES, TOOLS, SLEDS, SKIS, TOBBOGANS, ICE SKATES, ROLLER SKATES, —and any number of things that any real Boy or Girl will like.

BOYS AND GIRLS ARE INVITED SATURDAY, DEC. 10TH

There's plenty of room here—come in and get acquainted. Make this store your headquarters.

### Tube Skates

Nestor-Johnson —with shoes; regular \$12.50 value—  
**SATURDAY ONLY \$10**

### Monarch Range

Regular price \$100.00 and \$110.00—  
**SATURDAY ONLY \$80-\$90**

### Sleds

Regular \$2.35 value; **SATURDAY ONLY \$1.90**

## Christmas Suggestions to Please Women

ICE SKATES, SKATING EQUIPMENT, VACUUM BOTTLES, SEWING MACHINES, ELECTRIC WASHING MACHINES, WINCHESTER SCISSORS, WINCHESTER SHEARS, AUTO LUNCH KITS, PYREX GLASS UTENSILS, KITCHEN CUTLERY, ALUMINUM UTENSILS, PERCOLATORS, ELECTRIC TOASTERS, FLASHLIGHTS, ELECTRIC IRONERS, COFFEE SETS, BUTCHER KNIVES, WINCHESTER CARVING SETS, ELECTRIC CURLING IRONS, CASSEROLES, TABLE SILVER, ELECTRIC GRILLS, TEA POTS, COFFEE POTS, CHOCOLATE POTS, ELECTRIC HEATERS, ELECTRIC SWEEPERS, VALSPAR VARNISH, HOUSEHOLD TOOLS, ELECTRIC IRONS, CRUMB SCRAPERS