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SEARS, ROEBUCK & COMPANY

Go out of the Drug Business. Requirements of Federal Food and Drug Act Causes Them to Quit.

The N. A. R. D. Notes of June 4 contain the following article concerning the mail order house of Sears, Roebuck & Co., quitting their drug business: Geo. B. Stewart, assistant United States district attorney for the First Iowa district, is authority for the statement that Sears, Roebuck & Co. have gone out of the drug business, because of the onerous requirements which the federal food and drugs act demands of manufacturers of and dealers in medicinal products.

The N. A. R. D. favored the federal law as a measure of justice and protection to the public and one that would ultimately benefit the retail druggist's business, more than offsetting the inconveniences its restrictions might impose upon them. The retirement of this great mail order house from the drug business vindicates the N. A. R. D.'s judgment on this question and makes its leaders all the more proud of the stand it took at the outset of the food and drug agitation.

Mr. Stewart states that Mr. Sears, head of the mail order house in question, declared to him that he would cut out of his business the sale and listing of all proprietary or patent medicines and would at once give written orders to department heads and buyers to bring about that result. We have since learned that surgical instruments, dressings, plasters, etc., have also been eliminated.

The reason given for the new departure is that the restrictions of the federal law making the handling of this class of goods by general dealers undesirable, special skill and professional-commercial machinery being required to do the work contemplated by the new law.

The multiplicity of provisions of a dissimilar character embodied in the different state laws making the business of inter-state retailing of drugs and medicines, proprietary and otherwise, unsatisfactory and a branch of commerce that can better be left to those specially qualified by education, training and environments to serve the public acceptably.

The effects of the law, therefore, will be to confine the retailing of proprietary and other drugs and surgical products to the drug trade—a consummation devoutly to be wished. The action of Sears, Roebuck & Co., then, is but "the beginning of the end" of mail order exploitation of drug store products, and its logic will sooner or later drive the department store magnets out of the drug business.

The lesson Mr. Sears has taught the business world by this change in policy is this: general merchandising and the drug business will not mix successfully.

On receipt of this statement of Mr. Stewart the Notes man got into communication with the Sears, Roebuck & Co. house. He learned that Mr. Sears is in Europe, but in conversation with one of the department heads met with no difficulty in verifying the correctness of the facts stated in the foregoing.

"No medicines of any kind are sold by us now, the nearest approach to it being a few toilet preparations carried in our dry goods department," said this gentleman.

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R. E. Mollleston and family are moving from their residence in the north part of town back to the farm over in Decatur county, this week, where they expect to remain until about the first of September. Mr. Mollleston has recently been improving the surroundings of his farm house by erecting a neat and handsome iron fence in front of the ample lawn and grounds and otherwise making the place neater and more inviting.—Lineville Tribune.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve Wins.

Tom Moore, of Rural Route 1, Cochran, Ga., writes: "I had a bad sore come on the instep of my foot and could find nothing that would heal it until I applied Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Less than half of a 25 cent box won the day for me by affecting a perfect cure." Sold under guarantee at L. P. Van Werden's drug store.

E. A. Hendrickson was dangerously hurt last Friday by a horse kick. The blow struck him square in the face, blacked his eyes, knocked out several of his teeth and fractured his jaw bone. He is suffering considerably but is thought to be a little better at this time.—Grand River Local.

A Grand Family Medicine.

"It gives me pleasure to speak a good word for Electric Bitters," writes Mr. Frank Conlan of No. 436 Houston St., New York. "It's a grand family medicine for dyspepsia and liver complications; while for lame back and weak kidneys it cannot be too highly recommended." Electric Bitters regulate the digestive functions, purify the blood, and impart renewed vigor and vitality to the weak and debilitated of both sexes. Sold under guarantee at L. P. Van Werden's drug store. 50c.

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Lyman Evans' Big Catch.

The big catfish captured by Bob Johnson and Henry Boenmyer at Cut-Off lake last Wednesday was but a one day's wonder compared to that occasioned throughout all fishingdom, by the catch made Friday by Lyman Evans at the same lake. Mr. Evans was casting for bass, with a Skinner No. 4 and a live frog for bait, with Bill Schneckenberger at the oars. In endeavoring to make an extra long cast into a little pocket among the reeds on the east shore, Evans swung too low, and the frog struck Schneckenberger with a smack on the cheek and the hook pierced his ear! With a roar that sounded something like that you would expect from a fatally wounded walrus, Schneckenberger was about to jump overboard, but Evans caught him by the arm and jammed him back into his seat. Then with the aid of an old case-knife which he used to cut his way through the glittering barb out of Bill's bleeding auricular, and suddenly losing all further interest in angling, the two gentlemen wound up their tackle and came back home in the gloaming.

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Wedding a Surprise.

News of the marriage of Bert Stouffer and Mrs. Eva Matthews just leaked out yesterday, and the announcement comes as a surprise of no small dimensions to the many friends of both bride and groom. The ceremony was performed Sunday at Raton, the newly married couple returning quietly and confiding the secret to no one.

The bride is a bookkeeper for the Hamerslough Mercantile company and has lived in this city for a number of years. She has a large circle of friends and is a popular and estimable young woman. The groom has been employed by the Trinidad Furniture company and is also widely known in railroad circles, having been employed both by the Santa Fe and the C. & S. The newly married couple are making their home with the bride's mother, Mrs. Lucy Rhoades, of Nickerson avenue.—Trinidad (Colo.) Advertiser.

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The electric storms that visited this section last week did considerable damage. Several horses and colts were reported killed by the lightning and C. W. Mulkey's house and W. Fry's barn were both struck. We did not learn that either the house or the barn was seriously damaged.—Van Wert Record.

W. R. Ward, of Dyersburg, Tenn., writes: "This is to certify that I have used Foley's Orin Laxative for constipation, and it has proven without a doubt to be a thorough practical remedy for this trouble, and it is with pleasure I offer my conscientious reference."

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A BURGLAR'S CHRISTMAS VENTURE.

[Original.]

"I'll never again crack a crib at Christmas time," said the burglar. "I've tried it several times and something turned up to beat me every time. Our craft thinks that at the Christmas season there's a lot of presents laying around loose to git hold of. And so there is. But, great Scott, most of it's rubbish. 'Tain't nothin' to compare with weddin's. Weddin's is the apple of my eye. There's where you can pick up solid silver, and to me silver's as good as coined dollars. But Christmas I ain't got no use for."

"Last Christmas I had my eye on a house where there was boxes and bundles enough goin' in to fill the hold of a ship. I saw a small boy playing out on the sidewalk before the house, and I thought o' kidnappin' him, though it wasn't no more than a thought, for I'm not in that line o' business. There ain't nothin' into it. Steal a man's silver, and he don't make no fuss, but steal his child, and not only he and his wife, but the rest of the world, git on a mighty big hustle that's sure to beat you out o' your profit. The kid I'm speakin' of had a good lookin' nurse he called Martha, and she called him Jimmie."

"She couldn't do nothin' with him. He wasn't afraid o' her nor anybody else. He was the cutest little feller you ever saw; regular boy; there wasn't enough girl in him to hang a pair o' earrings on to. He came out on the stoop one afternoon when I was surveyin' the house with a doll. I reckon somebody had just given it to him, for I hadn't seen him with it before. I was surprised, 'cause I didn't think he'd have no use for a doll. It had a beautiful chinny head and lots o' tow hair. What did the little shaver do but take the thing by the heels and bring the head down on the stone step! That chinny head flew all over the sidewalk. The nurse nearly had a fit, but Jimmie, he forgot his doll in a jiffy."

"Well, I asked the nurse a lot o' questions, lettin' on I was a huntin' for some un as lived in the neighborhood and I thought might live in the house she came out of. Before I got through with her I had my bearin's all right. People thinks servants is pals with us crib crackers, but they hain't—leastways, not always. It's their stupidity as does the business. The nurse gimme the hull makeup o' the house without knowin' what she was doin'."

"Christmas night people generally leaves things loose, puttin' 'em in their proper places the next day. I chose that time and instead o' breakin' in durin' the night, knowin' from the nurse of the staircases and the habits o' the family, I stole in about 6 o'clock, when they was at dinner. The nurse had let out that she slept in a bed in Jimmie's room and he slept in his crib. There wa'n't nobody upstairs, and I had the free run o' the house up there. Servants sleep sounder than people as don't have nothin' to do, and I concluded that if I could git into the nurse's room I'd stand the best chance. While I was a-rootin' round I saw a crib through an open door. I went in, found a bed there and got under it. It was one o' the low kind, and I had a hard job to squeeze in."

"When the kid come up to bed I almost give myself away larfin' at him. He lugged a lot o' things into the room, most o' 'em five cent toys, sayin' he wasn't goin' to leave 'em downstairs for burglars, and some o' 'em he took to bed with him. When he got on his nightie his nurse asked him to say his prayers. He told her he'd said 'em to his mother. The nurse said he hadn't done no such thing. 'Yes, I have,' said Jimmie. 'If you don't believe me, ask God.'"

"I stuffed my fist in my mouth to keep from shoutin', and it wasn't long before Jimmie and the nurse were both asleep. I waited till I heard a clock strike 1, then I crawled out. The door had been left open, and there was a light in the hall. I had to go past Jimmie's crib to git out o' the room. His pet kitten was sleepin' on a pillar beside the crib, and what did I do but step on the pesky little thing. This woke Jimmie, and he could see me in the dim light standin' beside his crib."

"What d'ye suppose the little monkey did? He sat up, pulled a tin horn from under his pillow and began to blow as hard as his little lungs was able. He stopped a minute to holler: 'Burglar! Don't let him take my cards when I worked at the kindergarten!'"

"I didn't wait to hear any more, but started down the stairs four steps at a time. Before I reached the bottom the electric was switched on, but the nurse had posted me on the ways o' gettin' out, and in a jiffy I was in the street. I could see the house in a blaze o' light. A winder was raised and a woman's voice yelled, 'Burglars, police!' and above the clatter I could hear Jimmie's horn a-blowin' and a-blowin' 's if he was Gabriel tryin' to raise the dead."

"I dodged a cop comin', lit into an alley, vaulted over a fence and hid under a coal shed. The cop rattled his club on the curb, and in no time there was a dozen o' 'em around the house I'd got out of. While they was thinkin' to take me in the house I run down the alley and, makin' another street, dodged along till I was well away."

"Since then I don't go much on Christmas plunder. Leastways, I don't like dogs, kittens nor children. Kittens ain't nothin' if you don't step on 'em, and dogs you can quiet by throwin' 'em a bit o' meat, but a kid with a tin horn under his pillow that's afraid some un's goin' to run away with his five cent toys or his kindergarten stuff is too much for me."

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