

# NURSING WORK ENDS APRIL 1

Red Cross Regretfully Plans to Give Up Activities Then and Some Other Organization Must Take It Up.

## THIS DECISION IS MADE

Supervisors and Farm Bureau Without Funds, But Hope is Entered Some Other Agency Can Do It.

Following the meeting of the executive board of Keokuk chapter, American Red Cross yesterday, announcement was made that it will be necessary on April 1, to discontinue the nursing service, which has been maintained through the subscriptions of Keokuk people and the people of the southern half of the county. It is hoped that some organization other than the Red Cross will take over the work. Its benefits are numerous, its work is carried on by two expert nurses, and if it is given up now, the people and the children, especially, of the community will miss its ministrations. It is with regret that officials of the Red Cross here announce the withdrawal of their support, but they already have carried the work several months longer than they originally planned.

At the close of the war activities of the Red Cross, some program for the work was established, and it was decided that the public health work was the best work to establish. In conference with the Visiting Nurse association and other charitable and welfare institutions of Keokuk, the Red Cross nursing committee was organized. Nurses were secured to care for the work in the schools of the south half of the county. The school board became interested in the work, and they organized their own nursing service. This left the two parochial schools in Keokuk and some sixty others in south half of Lee county to be cared for by the nurses of the Red Cross. Miss Margaret C. Henke and Miss Margaret Sollars were given special training along this line, and were the nurses in charge of the work. The chapter agreed to take over the work for one year and it has been carried now for an additional number of months.

**Supervisors Can Help.**  
In the meantime the legislature passed a bill authorizing the boards of supervisors to make appropriations for just such work. It was decided to drop the work as a Red Cross proposition by the executive board, and the supervisors were appealed to under the law to take up the work. Their state of funds, however, makes it impossible for them to plan any such work for this year. The farm bureau which secures its funds from the supervisors is in the same predicament.

The work in the outside districts amounts to something like \$3,500, Chairman McFarland of Keokuk chapter, said today, and the memberships in the last roll call from these districts were between 350 and 375. "The Red Cross finds itself in the position that it is unable to carry on the work," Mr. McFarland said today. "It was decided at the meeting yesterday to continue the work until April 1. If it is to be carried on after that time, some other agency must do it. It is a splendid work, and has meant much to the people. It is with regret that the work must be dropped so far as the Red Cross is concerned."

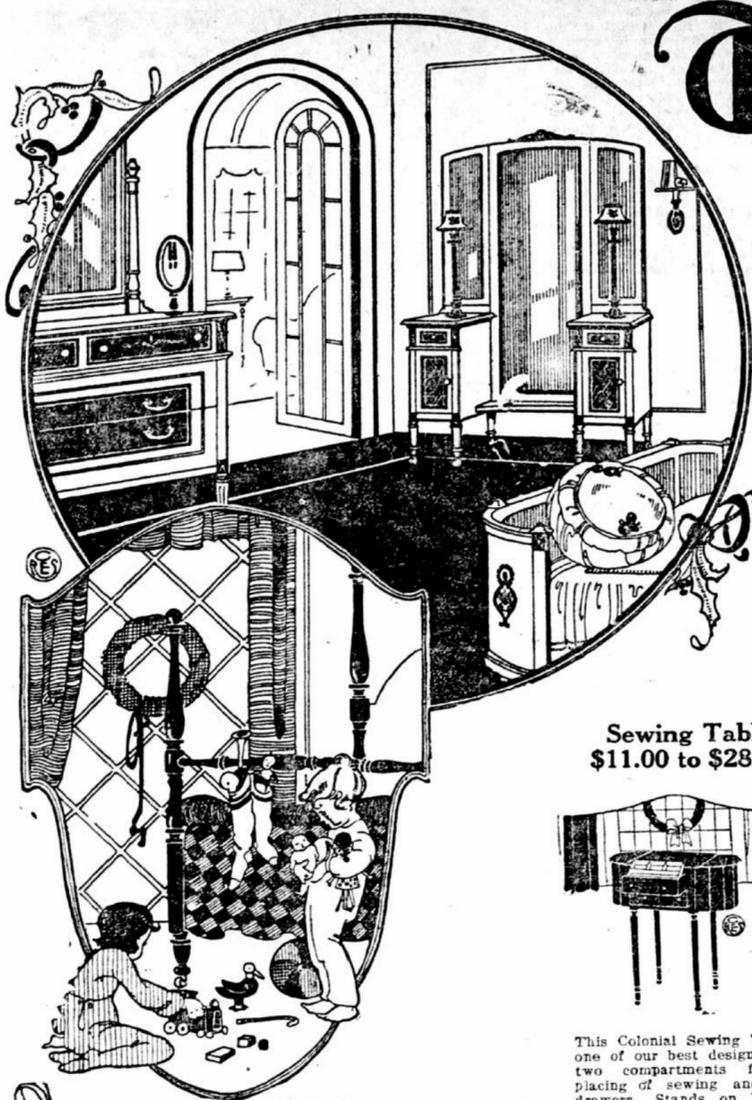
Some idea of the work done by the nurses is contained in reports made by both Miss Henke and Miss Sollars. Miss Henke reports in the work of the year a total of children examined, 2,185. Of this number only 518 are without defects. Defective teeth seem to be the biggest trouble. A total of 1,284 were troubled in this manner. Malnutrition comes next with 839. Sixty-five meetings were held and ninety-nine school buildings were inspected.

Miss Sollars reports on work in Harrison, Franklin, Charleston and Van Buren townships.

## AMUSEMENTS.

Chauncey Olcott in "Macushia," "Macushia," the comedy of good cheer with Chauncey Olcott, comes to the Grand this evening, Dec. 18, to inaugurate a period that should make the whole community happy and hopeful. It is in accord with the spirit of the times when morbidity should be thrown into the discard and optimism encouraged in the theatre as in all affairs of life. It has been received upon the stage with hearty enthusiasm. Rida Johnson Young is credited with preserving the rainbows of humor and the blending of sentiment and romance. Emphasis is laid upon the fact that this is a comedy for everybody. It has an appeal that has proved universal. It is full of joyous surprises. It spreads broadcast the spirit of courage. It inspires the desire for actual helpfulness and conveys one of the tenderest messages that the stage has carried to humanity. It is radiant with sympathy, comfort and splendid purpose. Its influence will remain a fragrant memory long after the offerings of the theatre have been forgotten.

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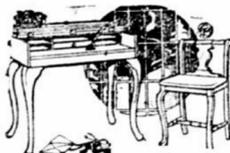


Sewing Table \$11.00 to \$28.50



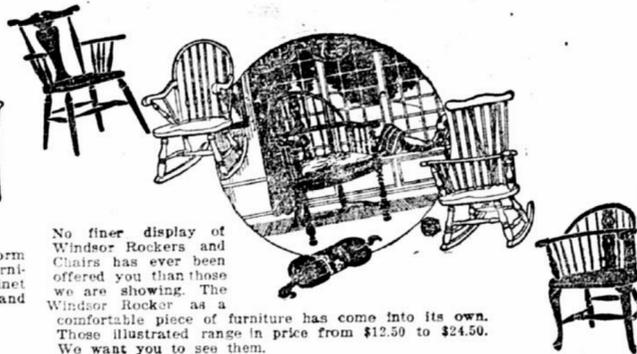
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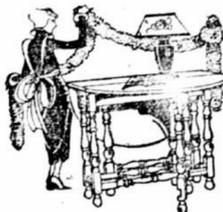
Unwilling to let the graceful form of the Spinet desk, a master furniture maker designed this Spinet Desk. It is made of mahogany and will delight any woman.

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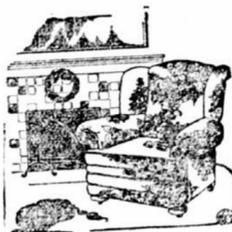
An item of furniture that should be in every house. Legs extended give a table top large enough to seat the average family; folded it makes a beautiful table.

This Beauty Fernery \$13.50 to \$22.50



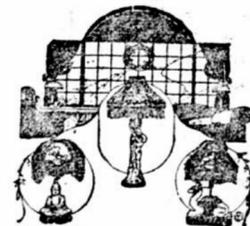
There is no gift more welcome than a beautiful little fernery like this one. It will remain throughout the year as a constant reminder of your thoughtfulness. A very distinctive design, finished in mahogany. Has cane panel in front. Furnished complete with metal liner.

Built For Comfort \$28.50 to \$155.00



Just imagine yourself in this chair, beside a fireplace with a good book in your hands. It is one of the finest over-stuffed pieces we have ever seen. Large and roomy. Upholstered in a fine grade tapestry. Has wing back and extra wide arms. In fact it's built for comfort.

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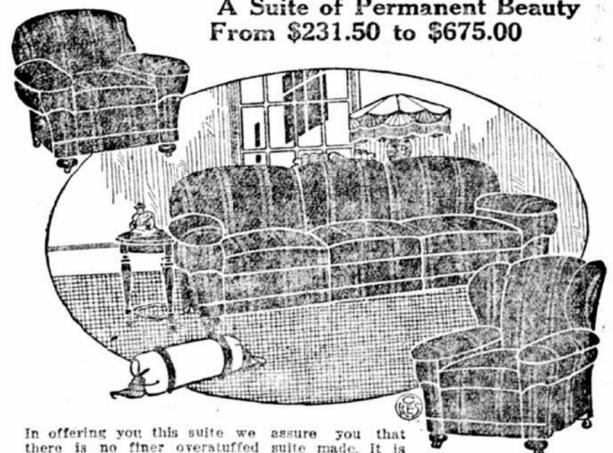
Here's an inexpensive yet very acceptable gift. A small lamp such as one of these. May be had in Buddha, Lilly, or Camel designs. We have other styles on display at our store.

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A beautiful stand and chair made in the Queen Anne period. Has drawer to keep pencils and paper pads. Finished in mahogany. This chair and stand will make a popular gift.

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appropriate and the catchy song numbers are numerous and well interpreted.

Mr. Kenneth Whetstone and Mrs. John Brassil have a skit which is sure to be enjoyable and funny. Miss Katherine Tucker, a well-known local dancer, will entertain with a chaotic Arabian dance. Mr. Den Collington has an unique offering for his fans, and Dr. Charles R. Logan as a movie director, is wonderful. Those who will carry the leading parts in the revue are: Fame Bell, Ethelwyn Long, Mrs. Henry Schouten, Miss Ivo Van Auddall, Ruth Rovane, the

Almadale Covington, Mrs. M. C. Van de Venter, Tom Rogerson, Palmer Pyle, Raymond Dickey, Eida Blaisdale, Mr. C. W. Dickenson and Bob McCutcheon.

Tickets for the performance may be had from all members of the cast and club, to be exchanged at the Grand box office for reserved seats after 10 a. m. Monday, December 29.

"Uncle Tom's Cabin." The William H. Kibble production of "Uncle Tom's Cabin," which will be seen at the Grand Tuesday, December 21, caught the public fancy. The

theatres where the offering has been made are said to have been crowded at every performance. For a play holding the stage over fifty years within which period not a single season has elapsed during which it was entirely absent from the theater, "Uncle Tom's Cabin" still exhibits wonderful vitality. Scanned, ridiculed and rejected of the elect in the more important theatres a few years ago, it is now welcomed in the very homes of art, and thousands are weeping and laughing over its various incidents nightly. The scenes which are displayed could easily not be im-

proved. The company numbers many persons, whom are well-known to the Grand theatregoers from former visits with various attractions, and the man-eating Siberian bloodhounds are trained to participate in the drama.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 18.—Carl Tremaine, Cleveland, bantam, evened matters up with Joe Barman by shading him in a bitterly fought ten round bout here last night. It was a smashing fight from the going with both men trying desperately for a knockout.

Pearl Necklaces



Some of the caterpillars round in the region of the Darling river in Australia are more than six inches in length.