

## GREAT PUBLICITY FORCE AIDS MOVE

Columns of 178 Newspapers  
Lay Christmas Ship Cause  
Before the Nation.

### MANY ROCK ISLANDERS GIVE

Cash and Presents for European Chil-  
dren Come to The Argus—  
Ladies Prepare Dolls.

Contributors to The Argus Christmas ship fund yesterday are Ed T. Murrin, I. S. White, H. S. Cable, William Jackson, and Bernard Chamberlain Connelly, a lad of 6 years. Master Bernard gave toys some time ago, but wants to be quite sure a little European boy has something to eat as well as something to play with at Christmas. The Argus urges others who are planning to give to hurry their intentions. Orders may come most any day from headquarters in Chicago to close the Christmas ship fund and send the gifts and clothing collected.

Miss Marjorie Pollard, seven summers old, who lives at 1625 Twelfth street, brought to The Argus office a box packed by herself containing a dress, a sweater, some toys, a cup and saucer, with postcards, plentifully sprinkled throughout with messages "to a tiny child in Europe." This is a very nice gift and one in which the child has taken a great deal of interest. Thoughtful parents are enabled to teach life-long lessons in these gifts to the Christmas ship. It is a wonder-

ful opportunity. The spirit of the thing is right. There isn't anyone The Argus has come in contact with who does not approve of it.

**Ladies Dress Dolls.**

The Ladies' Aid society of the Memorial Christian church will meet Thursday afternoon with Mrs. G. E. Lusk, 905 Twenty-first street, and there



## What Happened to the Cats?

Not long ago the U. S. Gov't. made some experiments to determine the poisoning qualities of caffeine (the drug in coffee).

Twenty-seven healthy cats were given an average dose of 5-6 grains of caffeine—about as much of the drug as is contained in 2 cups of coffee.

What do you suppose happened?

### The Cats All Died!

See Gov't. Bulletin No. 148, Bureau of Chemistry.

Of course they were only cats.

But there are plenty of people who dose themselves with enough caffeine every day to kill a cat and *Cripple a Man*, not at one blow, but by little blows repeated daily.

Of course some systems are strong enough to stand all kinds of abuse, but most systems are not. And when a man or woman observes a growing nervousness or sleeplessness, heart trouble, stomach, bowel or eye disturbance, it is time to quit coffee and turn to a real food-drink, free from the coffee-drug, "caffeine."

It is easy to shift from coffee to

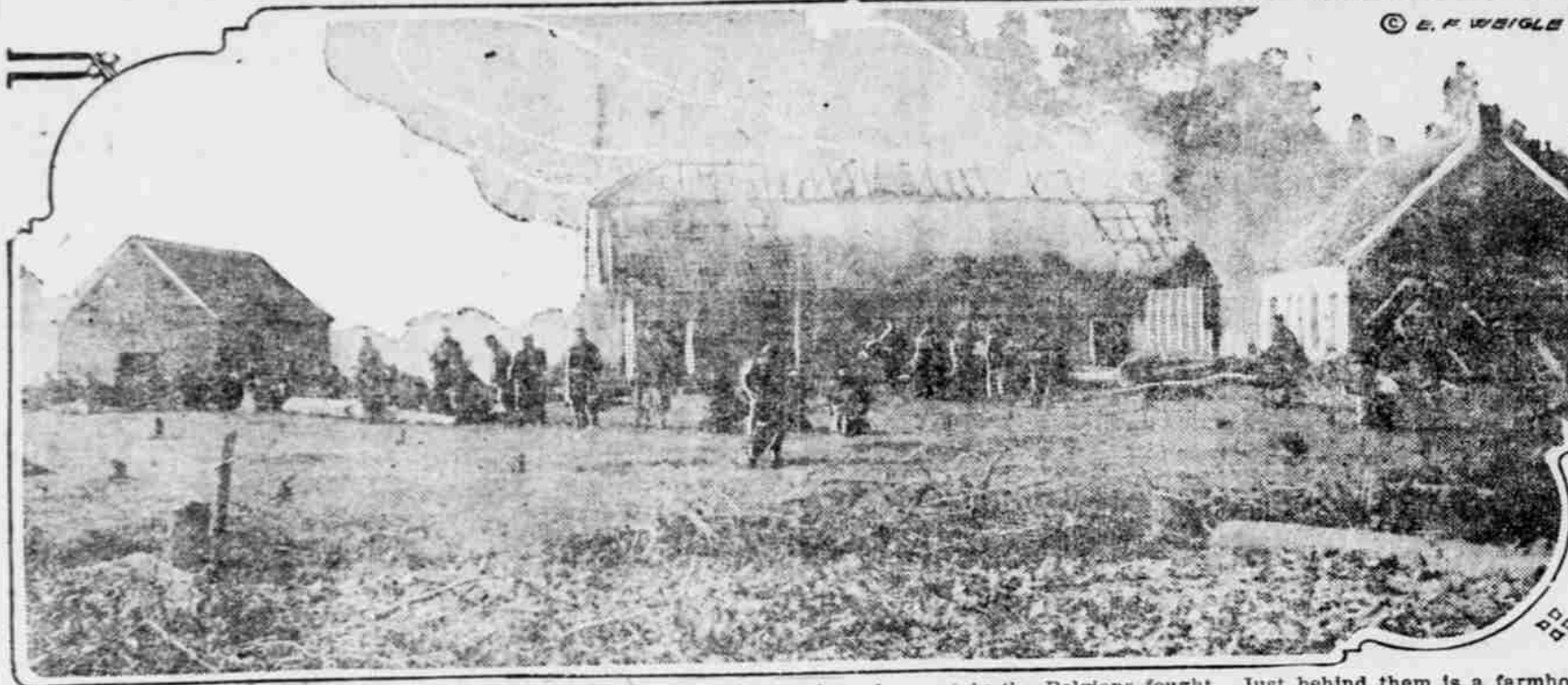
## POSTUM

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## Belgian Troops On Firing Line Near Farmhouse Fired By German Shells



This photograph, taken near Antwerp just before that city's fall, indicates how desperately the Belgians fought. Just behind them is a farmhouse which has caught fire from German shells. Note how the Belgians cut down the trees to make a clearer sweep for their fire.

is promise of a largely attended gathering. The ladies are dressing a number of dolls for the Christmas ship, and the sewing to be held Thursday will add materially to the number. It is a return of doll-dressing days for these matrons and a happy, social time will be enjoyed. The aid extends an invitation to any of the friends to assist and come enjoy a pleasant afternoon.

Coal Valley is making up a gift box. The Argus is in receipt of a postcard from one of its citizens saying that it will be sent here to go with Rock Island's collection. Troop A of Aledo is giving an entertainment for the benefit of the Christmas ship and it promises to be a big success. There is still time for other towns to do something of the sort if work is commenced immediately. The Jason will sail Nov. 10. The last of the gifts must leave here not later than the 1st in order to get to Brooklyn and to allow for repacking and handling. When one considers that from now on the United States and Canada to Brooklyn, some idea of the work of leading the boat may be had. But two weeks remain for actual work. Those making gifts must speed their needles and good intentions be put into execution. The Argus expects to see things humming. Gifts of clothing are particularly desired. The more the question is studied, the more apparent the needs of the children. Santa Claus will have to be more utilitarian than ever. Everywhere in the war zone is devastation and desolation and despair. Too much of everything will scarcely be enough.

**New Orleans Catches Spirit.**

New Orleans has caught the spirit of the Christmas ship.

Here it is as expressed in the New Orleans Item:

"Have you heard them—the calling of baby voices from across the sea?"

"Have you seen them—the baby hands that are stretched out from the other side of the ocean and are striving so desperately to reach the tiny hands that are reaching back from the peace homes of America?"

"All of the United States is hearing—these childhood wallings—these trembling hands. The south is hearing them and feeling them, because it is here that senses still are most acute to what sort of horrors war really brings."

"And New Orleans, being the south's greatest city, is sending in a measure proportionately large the pleadings of these voices and of these hands."

"Thousands of the readers of the Item are engaged in the work of helping to fill the vessel. And it is wonderful the ways of helping that are being thought out by men, women and children."

It is safe to anticipate New Orleans' corner in the ship will be large.

**Manufacturers Meet Monday.**—Oswald Schmidt of this city, president of the Iowa State Manufacturers' association, has called a meeting of the Davenport members of the association for Monday, Oct. 26, at the Davenport Commercial club. The local members of the Jobbers' and Manufacturers' association who are not members of the Iowa State Manufacturers' association have also been invited to attend next Monday's meeting.

**Many Rallies in the County.**—The big meeting in Davenport Thursday evening, when Postmaster General Burleson, W. J. McDonald of Iowa City and Henry Vollmer of Davenport will be the speakers, opens a speaking campaign that will be carried to various parts of the county in the succeeding fortnight.

**No Good as Salesman.**—Charles Falkner was arraigned on a charge of drunkenness, a 10-day sentence being suspended. Saturday night, Falkner stood in front of the Frank furniture store on West Second street, where a heating stove was being operated on the sidewalk, and became involved in an argument with an employee of the

## MINSTRELS HAVE ALL OWN SCENERY

Frank Hildebrandt Is Chosen as  
Business Manager of the  
Metropolitan Company.

A meeting of the Metropolitan Minstrel company of Rock Island was held last evening at Turner hall, and the session was one of the best attended meetings the minstrels ever held. There are five vacancies in the company this year, and more than 20 talented applicants were present. All will be given a thorough tryout before any selections are made.

Frank Hildebrandt, last season's business manager of the company, was again chosen to fill that position this year. Frank Hildebrandt was selected a circle director and interlocutor and Gals Philbrook will act as stage manager. Last year the company rented the costumes and scenery but the members decided to purchase all of the paraphernalia necessary for their productions this season. Various plays and acts were discussed during the evening but none were decided upon. The company will rehearse two nights each week, starting Thursday.

The Norwegian government has received from Count Tolstol, mayor of Petrograd, a communication in which on behalf of the Russian people, he expresses gratitude for the kindness which Norwegians have shown to Russians during the passage of the latter through this country.

## DAY IN DAVENPORT

**House Burns; Loss \$1,100.**—Flames completely destroyed the home of Cal Modiene at 2127 Division street yesterday, the damage, which was not covered by insurance, reaching \$1,100. The origin of the fire is unknown. The home of Theodore Riecks, 2129 Division street, was badly charred, and Mr. Riecks, while fighting to save his home, was severely burned about the arms and shoulders. According to Mr. Riecks, he was awakened by the brilliant light in the room. He looked out of the window to find the Modiene house enveloped in flames. It was impossible to save the blazing house or any of its contents, and all efforts were devoted to confining the fire to the one house. The department was notified and the blaze was extinguished shortly after their arrival. Modiene has not been seen by neighbors since he entered the house Sunday night, about 6:30 o'clock. None saw him leave. At first it was thought that he was in the burning building, but a search after the fire was smothered revealed no sign of him.

**Chicago Boys Fall into Jail.**—Four runaway boys, ranging in age from 14 to 20 years, were arrested Sunday by Detective Phelan at Third and Iowa streets. They were suspected of stealing merchandise from a box car, but there was insufficient evidence to convict. The boys all reside in Chicago, and reached Davenport by stealing rides on freight trains. They gave their names as Ed Quinn, F. Malo, Thomas Moldt and Robert Banville. Ten day sentences were suspended in each instance.

**Cranks Auto; Breaks Arm.**—While cranking an automobile late Saturday night near the Davenport hotel, William Gorman, son of James Gorman, sustained a broken arm when the engine "kicked" and the crank handle crashed against his right forearm. Both bones were shattered.

**Let Contract for Office Building.**—The contract for the erection of the new office building of the Citizens' Water company of Burlington was let yesterday in the office of Temple & Burrows, who drew plans for the structure, to H. A. Beck of Burlington.

**Bankers Return From Richmond.**—President A. F. Dawson of the First National bank and Cashier Ed Kaufman of the German Savings bank have returned from Richmond, Va., where they attended the annual convention of the American Bankers' association. Cashier Frank Vetter of the Iowa National is spending a few days in New York before returning home. There were over 2,500 bankers at the session, the activities of which were largely devoted to a consideration of the federal reserve banks.

**Ask Donations of Shirts and Socks.**—The Woman's Auxiliary of Trinity cathedral has started relief work to assist the American Red Cross society in collecting donations for the contending forces in the European war. Flannel shirts or sweaters, bandages and socks are especially asked for. Mrs. Dick Lane and Mrs. Marmaduke Hare are the committee in charge of collecting the articles or donations may be sent to Lee hall. All donations will be gratefully received. Women of the city are asked to help in this work before the cold weather sets in as the soldiers in all the armies are in need of winter clothing. The articles will be forwarded at once to the American Red Cross for distribution.

**Obituary Record.**—Mrs. Martha M. Wells, one of the oldest, if not the oldest, resident of Davenport, died at the home of her son, G. C. Wells, 731 East Fourteenth street, after an illness of two months. She had attained the age of 92 years. Until a few months before her death, Mrs. Wells had always enjoyed exceptionally good health. At that time she gradually began to weaken and it was but a matter of time before the end which resulted yesterday morning, following a stroke received Saturday. The aged woman was born Nov. 11, 1821, at Blenden, Ohio, where she spent her girlhood. Her maiden name was Martha Clark. In the year 1842 she was married at Blenden to Horatio Wells. A short time following the union they came west to Iowa and settled in Van Buren county, near Lebanon. There they resided for almost 30 years. In 1872 they removed to Mitchellville, Iowa, and there made their residence for 20 years, going from there to Marissa, Ill. Mr. Wells died in the falls of 1892 at Marissa, Ill. For the past four years the nonagenarian has made her home with her son in this city. She was a member of the Presbyterian church of Marissa and during her younger years was an interested church worker. There survive three sons, Stiles Wells of Marissa, Willis Wells of D. M. Moines, and George C. Wells of this city. 12 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. The body was sent to Marissa, where burial will be made beside the body of her husband.

**Another Bad Case.**

Ephrata, Pa.—"About a year ago I was down with nervous prostration. I was pale and weak and would have hysterical spells, sick headaches and a bad pain under my shoulder-blade. I was under the care of different doctors but did not improve. I was so weak I could hardly stand long enough to do my dishes."

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—Mrs. MARY JOHNSTON, 210 Siegel Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

**Advertisement.**

## HANDEL ORATORIO CHORUS AT WORK

Moline Singers Will Join in Last  
Number in Augustana  
Concert Series.

The Augustana concert course for season 1914-15 will be the best ever offered to the students and to the city friends of the institution.

The opening number will be given Nov. 23 at the Illinois theater by Jenny Dufau, the great operatic star who had the thrilling experience of being suspected a spy by the Germans and miraculously saved by the timely arrival of one of their lieutenants.

Dec. 11 James A. Bliss, one of the foremost pianists in the middle west, will appear in recital and will be followed Jan. 29 by Mary Angell, the well known Chicago pianist.

Feb. 14 the conservatory chorus will give Dubois' "Seven Last Words." The really great event of the year will be April 27, when the Russian Symphony orchestra of New York city will appear in full matinee concert and in the evening give the orchestral support for Professor J. Victor Bergquist's oratorio "Golgatha," which will be sung by a chorus of 200 voices. The Handel Oratorio chorus has been organized for the year and has already begun serious work. At the first meeting the director, Mr. Bergquist, gave a very interesting analytic talk on the works to be given. A large chorus soon to be organized in Moline will join the Handel chorus in the final concert.

Two years ago he came to Davenport and has made this city his home since. He was a barber by trade. His wife preceded him in death a number of years ago. There survive to mourn his loss three sons, Kenneth Howard of this city, Harry Howard of Atlanta, Ga., and Walter Howard of St. Louis.

Mrs. E. A. Rumley died Sunday morning at her home in Perry, Iowa, after two weeks' illness. Her maiden name was Miss Della Kibby. She was married seven years ago in Rock Island and went immediately afterward to Perry. She is survived by her husband, E. A. Rumley, two daughters, and her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Meigs Kibby, and two brothers, George W. Kibby of Davenport and Warner Kibby of Baird, Iowa.

According to word received here by J. C. Duncan, 420 Mississippi avenue, William J. Johnson, a former resident here, died at Malcolm, Iowa. Mr. Johnson made Davenport his home for a number of years. He has many friends here.

All the news all the time.—The Argus.

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## SEARS BOARD CLOSES CONTRACT FOR WELL

The village board of Sears, at a meeting at the town hall last night, formally closed the contract with F. W. Beck, Moline well driller, for the well to be drilled in Rodman Heights at a site recently purchased by the board.

The well is to be about 350 deep, and eight inches in diameter at the top, decreasing to 6 inches at the bottom. Mr. Beck will be paid \$3 per foot, at the eight-inch diameter, \$2.75 at the seven-inch and \$1.75 at the six-inch.

## TO CONFER INITIATORY DEGREE MONDAY EVENING

The regular weekly meeting of Rock Island lodge No. 18, I. O. O. F., was held last evening at Odd Fellow hall. Only routine business was transacted. Next Monday the initiatory degree will be conferred upon a large class of candidates and a large attendance is looked for.

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