

SCORE OF MINERS HELD PRISONER OR KILLED; SO. SCRANTON SINKS

Cave-in of Coal Mine Occurred Under Thickly Settled Part of City and Buildings in Area of Five City Blocks Were Damaged When Earth Dropped Down

SCHOOL AND FACTORY WERE VACATED

Several Hundred Men Working in the Mine Left Without Injury When the Cave-in Took Place—Every Effort Being Made to Release the Men Imprisoned

Scranton, Pa., Jan. 12.—About twenty mine workers are believed to have been caught behind a cave-in in the National mine of the Glen Alden coal company in South Scranton today. Two or three men are reported killed.

The cave-in affected the surface area for about five city blocks.

Several hundred men left the workings without injury when the cave-in occurred.

The disturbance was 200 feet beneath the surface. Every effort is being made to reach the men believed to be behind the barrier. When the surface in some sections of the area over the mine showed signs of subsidence, every precaution was taken to protect life. Pupils in a large school were dismissed and a silk mill was closed. There was some damage done to buildings in the area.

FORD WILLING TO BUY WHOLE FRENCH NAVY

But He Is Not Taking Battleships in Job Lots, He Wants French Government.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 13 (By the Associated Press).—The French government has approached Henry Ford by cable asking if he would consider the purchase of battleships. In an answer to the request today Mr. Ford said he had replied that unless he could buy the entire French navy he would not be interested in job lots. No answer to his cable had been received, he said.

CROOK NEARING PORT.

While Transport St. Mihel Proceeds Nearby.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 13.—The disabled army transport Crook was 190 miles east of Annapolis, channel and making seven knots an hour at 6:10 a. m. today, according to a wireless to the war department. The message stated that the transport St. Mihel was standing by about three miles starboard of the crippled vessel and that everything was proceeding satisfactorily. It was said here today that Crook had not encountered a squall but that the blow did not cause any damage and the transport expected to be out of the storm region within an hour.

C. W. THURBER DEAD.

Was Keeper of Well Known Hotel of That Name in Danville.

Danville, Jan. 12.—After an illness of over a week with pneumonia, Judge Charles W. Thurber died at his home here yesterday. He was 75 years old. Judge Thurber came to this town in the summer of 1879 and entered into the hotel and livery stable business. "Thurber's Hotel" has long been a popular summer resort.

STILL SEEKING JURY.

To Try Arbuckle a Second Time on Manslaughter Charge.

San Francisco, Jan. 12.—The state today had left four peremptory challenges and the defense ten for use in continuing selection of a jury for the second trial of Roscoe C. Arbuckle, charged with manslaughter growing out of the death of Miss Virginia Rappe, motion picture actress.

MONUMENT DEALERS.

Will Meet at Springfield August 15, 16 and 17.

Terre Haute, Ind., Jan. 12.—The annual convention of the National Retail Monument Dealer's association will be held at Springfield, August 15, 16, and 17, the executive committee of the association announced.

HUSBAND FORCED HER TO SWALLOW POISON

Declares Mrs. Audrey Creighton Ryan, Dying—Her Husband Stabbed in the Neck.

Paris, Jan. 13 (By the Associated Press).—Mrs. Audrey Creighton Ryan, better known as Miss Audrey Creighton, California violinist and prize winner at the American Conservatory of Music in Fontainebleau, is reported dying in the American hospital at Neuilly from the result of swallowing three poison tablets.

Her husband, Thomas Stuart Ryan, who is attached to the Paris staff of the Chicago Tribune, was arrested on a charge of administering the tablets to her, under the threat to kill her with a knife unless she swallowed them. He was said to have stabbed himself, but not seriously.

According to the story told to the police by the young woman's mother, Ryan returned to Paris unexpectedly on Wednesday and visited her and his wife. He told his wife that he was willing to facilitate a divorce but wished her to go with him for a farewell dinner.

Mrs. Ryan accompanied her husband to his hotel after the dinner, when, according to a statement by the young woman to the authorities, her husband accused her of infidelity and forced her at the point of a knife to swallow the poison.

Ryan accompanied his wife to the Coghlin hospital, from which she was later removed to Neuilly. He had been wounded in the neck, the cut requiring several stitches to close, but the doctors stated it was not serious.

Ryan told his friends that his wife's statements to the authorities were untrue and surrendered to the police when he found they were searching for him. Mrs. Ryan was reported as having intended to marry an American named MacCoy following a divorce from Ryan.

Another version of the case was revealed by Police Commissioner Fralich in reporting statements Mrs. Ryan made to him at the Coghlin hospital. Her husband, the commissioner quoted her as saying, told her she knew she had had an intrigue with a young man and proposed that they die together whereupon Mrs. Ryan took the three tablets and Ryan cut her wrist and neck. Mrs. Ryan, however, losing courage, rushed out of the room and demanded to be taken to a hospital.

A letter from his wife was found in Ryan's possession when he was arrested. In this letter, which he had received while in India, she said she had decided to break with him entirely. There were also two letters in pencil, written during her interview at the hospital, in which she addressed to her mother and the mother to the man whose name Ryan brought into case. In these letters the police stated, Mrs. Ryan said she regretted to die.

UNDESIRABLES ARE LEAVING MEXIA, TEX.

Martial Law, Invoked by Gov. Neff, Is Causing an Exodus of Suspicious Characters.

Mexia, Texas, Jan. 13.—Martial law, invoked by Governor Neff in Mexia and the country surrounding it, against alleged lawlessness, today had resulted in an exodus of undesirables, according to the national officers who notified the police departments of several Texas cities to prepare for the arrival of suspicious characters from here.

Fourteen Texas rangers, carrying out the terms of the governor's proclamation were reinforced today by forty men of the Texas National Guard.

Two men detained today held powers as deputy sheriffs. The rangers said they found liquor in their possession. The two declared they came in possession of the liquor legally in raids and they were holding it as evidence.

Mexia is a typical boom city. It was a town of 3,000 inhabitants before oil was discovered about a year ago. Late last summer the boom began in earnest and in a few weeks 30,000 or more persons were here.

UNITED STATES TRADE BALANCE REDUCES

Decrease of Nearly a Billion in Favorable Balance During 1921.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 12.—A decrease of nearly \$1,000,000,000 in the favorable trade balance of the United States during 1921 was indicated in the foreign trade statistics for December issued today by the commerce department.

Exports decreased in value in 1921 by \$2,573,000,000 and imports by \$2,777,000,000, the report said, attributing much of the reduction to the material decline last year in prices of commodities which made up the bulk of the country's foreign trade.

FORD TALK OVER DEAL.

Meets Sec. Weeks About Muscle Shoals Proposal.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 12.—Henry Ford, accompanied by William R. Mayo, advisor, arrived today from Detroit to confer with Secretary Weeks regarding his proposal to purchase the government's nitrate and waterpower projects at Muscle Shoals, Alabama.

Secretary Weeks has been invited to attend the conference.

Secretary Weeks announced he would give a full account of the conference as soon as it was concluded.

GERMANY GETS MORE TIME

Provisional Delay Granted By Reparations Commission.

Must Pay 31,000,000 Gold Marks Every Ten Days.

Cannes, Jan. 13 (By the Associated Press).—The allied reparations commission, at a conference held here today, decided to grant a provisional delay to Germany on her reparations account.

These conditions are:

First—During the period of provisional delay Germany must pay in approved foreign securities 31,000,000 gold marks every ten days, the first payment to be Jan. 15.

Second—Germany within a fortnight must submit to the commission a plan for reforms or appropriate guarantees for its budget and paper currency and also a program for reparation payments in cash and in kind for 1922.

Third—The period of provisional delay shall end when the commission or the allied governments, have reached a decision in regard to the plan and program mentioned in the second condition, the balance due becoming payable a fortnight after the commission or the allies have reached a decision.

Dr. Walter Rathenau, head of the German delegation, took note of the decision in the name of his government. He added that Germany had not defaulted in her payments, because negotiations had been taken up regarding the payments due Jan. 15. He also took note of the invitation to Germany to take part in the Genoa conference.

All the delegations called here by the supreme council meeting are leaving Cannes today.

SARRAUT TO HEAD ARMS DELEGATION

Instructions Were Sent to Him at Washington to Continue to Look After France's Interest.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 13 (By the Associated Press).—President Miller and of France has directed M. Sarraut, head of the French delegation to continue in that capacity until the end of the Washington conference. Instructions to this effect were received today in a cable from M. Briand, retiring premier, who continues under French procedure to exercise the functions of his office until his successor takes up his duties.

\$5,000,000 LIABILITIES OF SUGAR PRODUCTS CO.

For Which Concern a Receiver Was Appointed on Complaint.

New York, Jan. 13.—A receiver for the Sugar Products company, a subsidiary of the United States Food Products company, was appointed today by Federal Judge Mack. Liabilities exceeding \$5,000,000 were alleged by the complainant, the Inter-Ocean Oil company of Pierre, S. D.

APOLLO CLUB WON.

Defeated Vincita Club in Three of Four Matches.

The Apollo club of Montpelier last night defeated the Vincita club of Barre in billiards, pool and checkers, and lost in whist. The scores were as follows: Billiards, Apollo 5, Vincita 1; pool, Apollo 4, Vincita 2; checkers, Apollo won by one point; whist, Vincita won by one point.

Sassi, Vincita, defeated Phillips, Apollo, 75 to 44.

Livendae, Vincita, lost to McMullan, Apollo, 42 to 75.

Willey, Vincita, lost to Huntington, Apollo, 32 to 75.

McKay, Vincita, lost to Ordway, Apollo, 70 to 75.

Rogers, Vincita, lost to Barrett, Apollo, 56 to 75.

Pool.

Bishop, Vincita, lost to Ordway, Apollo, 70 to 75.

C. Sassi, Vincita, lost to McMullan, Apollo, 64 to 75.

Zarrand, Vincita, beat Goodwin, Apollo, 75 to 32.

Nute, Vincita, beat Phillips, Apollo, 75 to 32.

Hooker, Vincita, lost to Pierce, Apollo, 73 to 75.

Marchetti, Vincita, lost to Barrett, Apollo, 53 to 75.

LOYD GEORGE GOING HOME.

May Stop in Paris to Confer With French Officials.

Cannes, Jan. 13 (By the Associated Press).—Prime Minister Lloyd George will leave Cannes for London at 7 o'clock this evening. He may, it is stated, stop in Paris en route to confer with President Miller and with M. Poincaré, who is forming a cabinet to succeed the Briand ministry.

"I'VE SEEN JOE" SAID COAKLEY

According to Victor D. Papinut, Witness in Pelletier Case.

"WHATEVER I SAY GOES," HE ADDED

Some Time Later Daniel J. Gallagher Became Assistant District Attorney.

Boston, Jan. 13.—Charges that District Attorney Joseph C. Pelletier of Suffolk county conspired with William J. Corcoran, former district attorney of Middlesex county, and Daniel H. Coakley, a local lawyer, in futile attempts to extort large sums from Mr. and Mrs. Curtis W. Emery and Mrs. Jennie S. Chase, were again before the supreme court today in the trial of Pelletier on charges of misconduct.

Victor D. Papinut of Webster, first husband of Mrs. Emery, whose examination was begun Wednesday, testified, when recalled today, that Attorney Coakley, whom he retained in connection with his marital troubles, said he would have Emery and Mrs. Papinut indicted in both Middlesex and Suffolk counties. After Mrs. Chase, the mother of Mrs. Emery, and the widow of a wealthy mill owner of Worcester county, had refused to pay any money to avert threatened prosecution of her daughter and Emery, in Middlesex county, the witness said Coakley told him he had a new plan—that he would get Pelletier to threaten to have Emery, Ralph Robb, his attorney, and a detective indicted for conspiracy.

Papinut testified that Coakley further informed him that he had promised Daniel J. Gallagher a position as assistant in Pelletier's office if Gallagher, then an attorney for the Emerys, would "come across with all the dough he could get."

"You must stand in with the district attorney. What does he say to this?" Papinut said he answered by way of reply.

"I've seen Joe," was Coakley's answer. "Whatever I say goes."

Some time later the witness testified he read in the paper that Gallagher, who later became United States district attorney at Boston, was named as an assistant district attorney.

The charge that District Attorney Pelletier aided in coercing Walter A. Buckley, a leather salesman, into dropping a \$55,000 claim against Ackerman and Brumfield, his employers, in 1917, was also continued in Buckley's testimony today.

The prosecution yesterday offered the record of Pelletier's bank account to support an allegation that the district attorney received \$2,500 of \$15,000 fee paid by Ackerman and Brumfield for getting Buckley to withdraw his claim. On cross examination today Buckley testified that prior to filing his own claim he had represented his firm in negotiating settlement of various claims against the company, including three by former employees, which were settled for \$25,000 to prevent them from exposing the firm's trade secrets.

VERMONT SENATORS VOTED FOR NEWBERRY

Michigan Senator Declared to Be Entitled to Seat, Vote Being 46 to 41.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 13.—The Newberry case in the formal records of the Senate had passed into history today. More than three years of uncertainty and suspense resulting from the contest of the seat by Henry Ford, Senator Newberry's Democratic opponent in the election of 1918 in Michigan, ended with the final vote at 6:25 p. m. yesterday. Newberry was held entitled to his seat by a vote of 46 to 41.

Sensors Dillingham and Page of Vermont were among the 46 Republicans voting to seat Mr. Newberry. All of Senator Newberry's supporters were Republicans. The almost solid Democratic membership were joined by nine Republicans in opposition. These were: Borah, Capper, Jones of Washington, Kenyon, Lodge, La Follette, Norbeck, Norris and Sutherland.

Senator Newberry, in the following statement lauded the Senate's action as a vindication:

"My heart is filled with thankfulness that the three years and four months of persecution have ended in complete vindication and exoneration of myself and all concerned."

JURY STILL OUT.

In the "Sponge" Case Tried in United States Court.

The jury in the malpractice case of Royal Eggleston of Canaan, N. H., against Dr. E. H. Ross of St. Johnsbury and Dr. D. R. Brown of Lyndon was still out in United States district court at Montpelier early this afternoon, having been given the case yesterday afternoon at 3:25.

The case involves suit for \$20,000 damages alleged to have been suffered because the defendants are alleged to have left a sponge in his body following an operation for gall stones.

TALK OF THE TOWN

J. E. Dick of Denver and C. P. Dick of East Orange, N. J., sons of U. S. Senator Dick of Ohio, are staying at the Pavilion in Montpelier while inspecting the Hughes Granite company's quarry.

Mr. and Mrs. George J. Bonware, who were united in marriage Monday afternoon, and who since have been visiting in Springfield, Mass., arrived in the city last night. They will visit with Mrs. Annie Ingalls on Clark street until Saturday, when they go to Coventry to reside.

GODDARD THE VICTOR.

Defeated Sutherland Club at Proctor, 41 to 37.

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VERMONT BASEBALL TEAM HAS 24 DATES

And Six More May Be Arranged—Harvard, Yale and Princeton Not to Be Played.

Burlington, Jan. 13.—The University of Vermont's baseball schedule for the coming season, released for publication today by Coach Clyde Engle, shows 24 games, with possibilities of six more. Eight of these dates are on the southern trip and eleven of the games will be played at home. Harvard, Yale and Princeton, conspicuous figures on Vermont baseball schedules in the past, do not appear on this year's schedule. The rival of the Green and Gold will cross bats twice with Vermont this season. The schedule follows:

Southern trip: April 4, open; 5, Army, at West Point; 7, Maryland, at Baltimore; 8, Catholic university at Washington; 10, open; 11, Pennsylvania, at Philadelphia; 12, Lehigh, at Bethlehem; 13, Fordham, at New York.

Regular schedule: April 19, Boston college, at Boston; 26, Providence college; 28, open; May 1, open; 3, Williams; 5, Hampshire, at Durham; 6, Tufts, at Medford; 9, Boston university; 11, Middlebury; 12, Middlebury, at Middlebury; 13, open; 17, Middlebury; 20, Springfield college; 24, Dartmouth, at Hanover; 27, Boston college; 30, Dartmouth; June 3, Tufts; 10, Fordham; 14, Williams, at Williamstown; 17, alumni; 19, open; 23, Holy Cross, at Worcester.

FAVOR A DAIRY BUILDING.

Vermont Dairymen's Association to Work for Appropriation.

Burlington, Jan. 13.—With the annual joint banquet at the Hotel Vermont last evening, the 22d annual meeting of the Vermont Dairymen's association and the 29th annual meeting of the Vermont Sugar Makers' association came to an end of their three-day program in this city. The banquet came at the close of a busy day at the university gymnasium, which finished with the annual business meeting of the Vermont Dairymen's association, and the election of E. C. Hills of East Montpelier as president of the Dairymen's association for the ensuing year.

There was no contest for any of the offices of the Dairymen's association, the election going through in short order and in addition to the president, the following officers were elected: First vice-president, F. L. Barnard of Poultney; second vice-president, W. H. Porter of St. Johnsbury; secretary, O. L. Martin of Plainfield; treasurer, W. H. Harrington of Pomfret; auditor, Fred L. Davis of Hartford.

A motion made by William N. Cady of Middlebury and adopted by the meeting provides that the dairymen join with the state grange in sending a delegate to a meeting of agriculturists called by Secretary Wallace of the department of agriculture. Mr. Cady announced that the grange had chosen Orlando L. Magin to represent the organization and the dairymen acquiesced in the choice.

Resides adopting the report of the resolutions committee, the dairymen went on record, also, in favor of a dairy building at the University of Vermont and pledged themselves to do everything within their power to secure an appropriation for such a building at the next meeting of the Vermont legislature.

FOOTE IS ACTING AS GOVERNOR OF VERMONT

Lieutenant-Governor Comes to Montpelier to Serve During Gov. Hartness' Illness.

Lieutenant-Governor Abram W. Foote arrived at the executive office in Montpelier today to serve temporarily for Governor Hartness, who is ill with pneumonia at the home of Frank E. Lowe in Montpelier. Governor Hartness is reported to have passed another fairly comfortable night.

BOTH MOVE FOR VERDICT.

In Hambleton vs. Aja, a Granite Contract Case.

Evidence was completed in Washington county court at 10 o'clock today in the granite contract case of W. A. Hambleton vs. the P. Aja Granite Co., at which point the plaintiff moved for a direct verdict regarding the claim for damages on five granite jobs which it was alleged the defendant had contracted to manufacture but failed to fulfill contract on. The ground of the motion was that the defense evidence disclosed that the jobs were not ready for shipment at the time stipulated on the contract.

The defendant then moved for directions in regard to two jobs, which the plaintiff had conceded as complete, the cost of each being \$80.

The court then took a recess until this afternoon and the jury was excused. Judge Moulton intimated informally to counsel for both sides that they might strike out their "rests" and introduce evidence as to what, in the granite trade, constitutes making work ready for shipment.

SUPREME COURT ENDS.

Following the Presentation of Orange County Case.

Vermont supreme court took final adjournment at Montpelier today, at noon, after the Orange county case of George Laplante vs. E. D. Camp and E. Barton Camp, tort, had been presented by M. M. Wilson and Raymond Trainor for the plaintiff and H. K. Darling, J. C. Sherburne and C. Batchelder.

CRUSHED IN QUARRY.

William Regan Killed By Weight Which Fell 50 Feet.

Fair Haven, Jan. 13.—William Regan was crushed under a falling slab of slate and fatally injured at the Old English slate quarry. Regan was working in the pit directly under a large slab of slate, which has been fastened to the hoist and was being drawn to the top of the quarry. In some manner the slate broke loose and dropped to the pit, a distance of about 50 feet, toppling over on Regan, crushing his left side and breaking his left arm and leg.

Dr. George D. Parkhurst was summoned and reached the quarry in a short time, removing Mr. Regan to his home.

A wife, five daughters, Kathryn, Mary, Anna, Helen and Sarah, all of Fair Haven, and one son, Wilbur, survive.

INCREASE CAPITAL STOCK.

Marr & Gordon, Inc., of Barre to Have \$250,000.

Marr & Gordon, Inc., a granite manufacturing firm of Barre, have notified the secretary of state of an increase in their capital stock from \$200,000 to \$250,000, which is divided into 2500 shares of \$100 par value each.

The notice was signed by William D. Reid, president, and Allen W. Reid, clerk.

TALK OF THE TOWN

A. B. Leiselle of Zanesville, O., a traveling salesman for George Stratton, is in Barre for a few days on business.

Clarence Ward, who attended the Massachusetts Agricultural college at Amesbury, Mass., is passing a few days here with his father, William J. Ward of Hill street.

BOYS FLOCKED INTO BARRE

And By To-night Upwards of 500 Are Expected to Be Registered.

PLENTY OF ROOMS WERE PROVIDED

Older Boys' Conference Will Open Formally This Evening.

The vanguard of the delegates to the Older Boys' conference which opens here to-night, started arriving in Barre this morning. The first boys to arrive were two from Fairfax. They came in on the 8:20 train and had left their homes long before daylight. Later in the forenoon and this afternoon the delegates came in a steady stream, and it is expected that by 6 o'clock to-night nearly 525 boys will be here.

The local committee was busy at the Hotel Vermont, checking and registering the boys and checking them to their rooms. Byron N. Clark, known to practically every young man and boy in the state as "Daddy" Clark, supervised the work and made the visitors feel at home. Mr. Clark was pleased with the splendid response of the boys to the appeal for accommodations for the delegates. About 630 rooms were offered which was over 100 more than will be needed. Mr. Clark said the response of Barre in this respect was better than that of any city or village since the conferences were started in 1911.

The conference officially opens to-night with a big supper in Quarry Bank hall, with an overflow supper at the Congregational church. The supper are given by the ladies of Barre, and Donald W. Smith of this city is to be toastmaster. Blessing will be given by Rev. Frank O. Hoberk, pastor of the Universalist church, and the Spaulding high school orchestra will play under the direction of Miss Marion Dorrard. After the supper the various delegates will give their cheers and songs. Those who have supper at the Congregational church will join the rest of the party at Quarry Bank hall and the rest of the program will be carried out by all.

The welcomes will then follow. Mayor Langley, having been called to New York on business, Judge Edwin L. Scott will welcome the visitors in the name of the city. Rev. B. J. Lehigh, pastor of the Baptist church, will act for the churches, and Lawrence A. Vercoe for the boys. The responses will be made by Theodore S. Dugoshire of the Enosburg Falls high school and Arthur J. Holden, chairman of the state committee.

Greetings will then be in order and for the first time in the history of the conference a woman speaker will be heard. Miss Marion Gary, state secretary of the Y. W. C. A., will bring a voluntary on the organ which will be followed by a song service by George Mackay accompanied by Mrs. Batchelder, pianist, and Emilio Franz, cornetist. Appointment of committees will then be in order. This will be followed by a prayer by the Rev. H. Rankin, pastor of the Baptist church in New York and an address on "After School What?" by John G. Olmstead, General discussion will then take place followed by a soprano solo by Mrs. Neale Hooker. "The Yard-Stick of Progress" is the subject upon which Jared Van Nostrand, Jr., of the office of the New York department of agriculture, will speak. The morning program will then be brought to a close to allow the entire conference to be taken on a trip of inspection to the Presbury-Leland stone plant.

In the afternoon at 1 o'clock Edwin L. Ingalls will speak on "Set a Goal" and the official photograph of the conference will be taken. The boys who are doing extension work will meet under the direction of Mr. Ingalls, following the taking of the picture and at 1:30 the program will be taken up again. Mrs. Mary Lease will give a voluntary on the organ, Miss Betty Brown will sing and Mr. Mackay and Mr. Franz, with Mrs. J. V. Laing, will give another song service. Rev. Mr. Rankin will again offer prayer and the awarding of the prize for the conference will then take place. Rev. Arthur W. Hewitt will speak on "The High Calling" and the assembly will then break up into groups for conferences.

At 3:30 o'clock the delegates will go on short sight-seeing trips.

The entire conference will assemble again in the Congregational church at 7:30 o'clock in the evening. Miss Dorrard will give a voluntary on the organ and will assist Mr. Mackay and Mr. Franz in another song service. Rev. Mr. Batchelder will offer prayer and Fred Ingalls of Barre will give a tenor solo. John G. Olmstead will speak on "A Full Service Life," which will be followed by a duet by Mr. Mackay and Mr. Ingalls. "The Spirit of the Three G's" will then be taken as the topic for a talk by H. W. Gibson and the meeting will close with benediction.

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HOSPITAL LADIES' AID REPORT.

Great Deal of Work Done and Many Things Accomplished.

The annual meeting of the Hospital Ladies' Aid was held at the hospital Friday evening, Jan. 6, when the reports of the various committees were given and officers were elected for 1922 as follows: President, Mrs. Elizabeth Wood; vice president, Mrs. George Lucia; treasurer, Miss Mildred Phelps; secretary, Mrs. W. A. Drew; chairman sewing committee, Mrs. Agnes Williams; of flower committee, Mrs. Alex Duncan; of finance committee, Mrs. Charles Brown; of house committee, Mrs. Peter Park, sr.; of reading committee, Mrs. W. A. Matheson; of auditors, Mrs. Ernest Batchelder.

Due to the war work and war conditions, supplies were very low at the beginning of the year 1921, making it necessary to buy large quantities of supplies, which meant a great amount of sewing and mending to be done by the ladies.

Following is a partial list of the work accomplished for the year: Purchased for dining room, diet kitchen and patients' trays, china, glassware, four dozen mappins, one-half dozen tablecloths, to the amount of \$185. Linen for patients' beds