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VILLAGE MAN DIES SUDDENLY ON WAY HOME

Spanish War Veterans Honor Louis P. Bennett

SURVIVED BY WIDOW

Funeral services for Louis P. Bennett, 52 years of age, of 106 Rafter street, who died suddenly, were conducted at the parlors of the Spiller Undertaking home at Royal Oak, Friday, with the Spanish-American War Veterans in charge, and the chaplain of the Michigan Lodge, T. O. F., Detroit, conducting the services in the Roseland Park cemetery.

Death came to Mr. Bennett on a street car while he was returning from work at the Ford Motor Co., where he had been employed for 15 years. A tragic hemorrhage was given as the cause of his death by O. C. Farmer, coroner.

Mr. Bennett was survived by the widow, Margaret, a brother, Harold of Battle Creek and one sister, Mrs. T. Leslie, of Chicago.

BOY'S DEATH LAID TO PNEUMONIA

Bloomfield Township Youth Taken After Illness of One Week

Funeral services for Harold A. Sampson, 12 years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Sampson, Newcomb estate, Bloomfield Township, will be held at 3 p. m. tomorrow at Varner's Funeral Parlors, Pontiac. A Christian Science reader will conduct the service. Burial will be in Oak Hill Cemetery.

Death occurred Tuesday, after an illness of one week and was attributed to pneumonia. Surviving are the parents and a brother, Lawrence, and sister, Florence. Harold attended the Tascara school on Franklin road. He had lived with his parents in Oakland County for nine years.

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ON CHURCH BUILDING

God builds no churches! By His plan That labor has been left to man. No spires miraculously rise, No little mission from the skies Falls on a bleak and barren place To be a source of strength and grace. The humblest church demands its price In human toil and sacrifice.

Men call the church the House of God Towards which the toil-stained pilgrims plod In search of strength and rest and hope As blindly through life's mists they grope And there God dwells, but it is man Who builds that house and draws its plan; Pays for the mortar and the stone That none need seek for God alone.

There is no church that what proclaims The gifts of countless generous names. Ages before us spires were raised 'Neath which Almighty God was praised As proof that He was then, as now. Those sacred altars where men bow Their heads in prayer and sorrow lift Its heavy weight, are Christian gifts!

The humblest spire in mortal ken Where God abides, was built by men. And if the church is still to grow, Is still the light of hope to throw Across the valleys of despair, Men still must build God's house of prayer. God sends no churches from the skies, Out of our hearts must they arise!

(In Michigan Churches)

THE DAYBOOK OF A NEW YORKER

Exclusive Central Press Dispatch to The Eclectic

NEW YORK, Nov. 30.—A friend living in a neighboring Westchester town, who was arrested for a minor traffic violation and was given a summons to appear in the local court on the following Wednesday. Coming home at four in the morning, two days before the time for his appointment with the judge, he found a note left by his wife, which advised her to get in touch with police headquarters immediately.

So all our gentleman drove to the habitat of the local constabulary and gently inquired for what reason he was summoned.

"Where were you tonight?" asked the sergeant omnisciently.

"I was working," replied the hero of our tale. "I wasn't supposed to appear until Wednesday."

"Yep?" the officer snorted. "Let's see your summons."

The intimation of the law scowled at that latter document for some time and observed that the time set was indeed Wednesday.

"Alright," he admitted grudgingly. "But be sure and be here on Wednesday. I guess there was some mix-up in the dates."

My friend promised that he would not fail and slunk home to bed. Which is the proper way of leaving or entering a police station—slinking, I mean. It has been my own, as well as other's experience, that the sergeant is always right.

The latest of some empty-ump movie versions of "Uncle Tom's Cabin" found at the Central recently. Previous to the opening, the inspired press agent conducted a census among the newspaper critics and as a result he found that only two confessed to reading Mrs. Stowe's novel. For some reason or other this was considered a sad state of affairs by the film promoters and so, two days before the opening, each critic received a special movie edition of "Uncle Tom's Cabin," profusely illustrated with scenes from the new picture. That's what you might call teaching your critics how to criticize.

at two minute intervals. Evidently, he thought, the photographer had mistaken him for one of the visiting card.

"Here, here, my man," he said, "I think you're making a mistake. I'm not the man you think you're photographing."

"I don't care who you are," the camera man replied. "I'm being paid to take a picture with a flashlight every two minutes and that's what I'm going to keep on doing. Get in the picture or get out of the way."

And so saying he shot another flashlight.

"So, what do you want?" is current Broadway repartee used as a biting comment on a pointless story.

CHILDREN START LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Although there are still 24 days until Christmas, the mail which Santa Claus receives through The Eclectic office from the children of the village, is getting very heavy. From looking over the letters it is found that jolly Mrs. Kringle will have a great deal of work to do to supply the children with all the toys they want.

Mrs. Santa Claus should be very busy dressing dolls, for nearly all the little girls want dresses to mother. A number have told in their letters, how they would like to have their dolls dressed.

Santa Claus will have to have a large supply of tools and mechanical toys if the boys in other villages and cities want them as badly as the boys of Birmingham do. However, Santa Claus said it made him very happy to deliver such educational toys to the boys, so he probably will have enough for all the good little boys.

George Pullin, Doris Humber and Doris Fumigdor were the first to mail letters for Santa Claus. Doris Humber did not ask much of Santa Claus either. All she wants is a big doll. Doris

TELEPHONE RATES ARE CUT

New Scale Is Effective Today, Company Announces

New reductions on long distance telephone rates from here to points outside Michigan 400 miles or more distant, were announced today by J. W. Tatham, Manager here for the Michigan-Hell Telephone company. The new rates become effective today, in conformity with recent announcement of a Bell system rate reduction on long haul messages.

This is the second System-wide reduction made in a little more than a year, the first becoming effective Oct. 1, 1926, with a saving to telephone users of 20 cents on States amounting to \$3,000,000 annually. Annual saving to telephone users of the new reduction will amount to \$1,500,000, it is anticipated.

The announcement follows closely upon an address by Walter S. Gifford, president of the American Telephone & Telegraph company, before the convention of the National Association of Railroad and Utilities Commissioners at Dallas, Texas, in which he said that the fundamental policy of the company was to furnish the best possible service at the lowest cost consistent with financial safety.

Station-to-station rates on long distance calls between points 400 miles or more apart are affected by the new schedule and the greater the distance, the greater is the reduction shown.

Evening rates, effective between 7 and 8:30 p. m., will be reduced to a level about half way between the night rates, effective from 8 p. m. to 4:30 a. m., and the day rates. The night rates will remain approximately their present levels. Evening rates are considerably lower than day rates and night rates are still lower.

The reduction to be made effective on long haul messages today is a result of the use of latest improved devices and methods developed by the American Telephone & Telegraph company and the Bell Telephone Laboratories, which have effected economies applying especially to longer circuits. It is stated, An important factor, also, is the steady growth of the country's telephone network of long distance cables, which permits carrying greater numbers of circuits on single pole lines and that, in turn, circuits practically proof against storm damage.

For the first time in its history the city of Liverpool is to have a woman as Lord Mayor.

Fumigdor is more inclusive in her demands on the old man. She asked for a whistle that imitates birds, an uncle Wiggly game, a doll game of tidily winks, and a doll dressed in a yellow dress trimmed in black.

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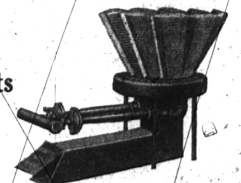
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20 Shopping Days Till Christmas

And did you hear the story about the man who was waiting for a friend in the lobby, at one of these events? No. Well, while waiting, he was surprised to find a photographer focusing his camera, and taking flashlights of him