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Our Christmas dinner was not special—we took ours at home.

Santa Clause fetched a lot of drinkers but only a few full fledged drunkards.

Good morning. Nineteen and Thirteen, a happy and successful journey to you.

We helped to ring out the old and ring in the new. We are trying to help ring out the bad and ring in the good.

Hello, parcel post bill! Here is hoping that our friends may yet send us those Christmas presents, that they bought, but are waiting for a more convenient day to mail them.

Hold on there! When you mail your parcels under the new law, you must have your name on them or the postal employees will not receive them. Also be sure to use the special parcel post stamp or your stamp will be wasted.

This is certainly the age of specialist. The daily papers announce that an artist who makes a specialty of painting eggs has just come from Europe to make pictures of the bird dogs belonging to a great bird preserve in this state.

Christmas Day was fittingly observed, in a quiet way, in Burlington. Nearly all the merchants closed their stores, and people spent the day at home or visiting. How grand it would be, if we could have Christmas and the stores remain closed all day.

We can't refrain, even at this late hour, from a passing comment on the recent tragedy in Guilford, and the miraculous miscarriage of justice. The gossip is current that the defendant got a far better verdict than he expected. We believe the gossipers. Many a time has it been charged by the popular that it was impossible to punish a man of wealth, and it seems there is ground for the belief. The judge was mistaken at the verdict. And the foreman's explanation of the verdict was another one of those explanations that does not explain.

Economy.

It's a popular saying that a fool can make money, but it takes a wise guy to save it. Well, that may be so but we have seen some that had plenty of cash that did not appear over brilliant. The truth is wealth of cash soul or body is the direct result of a well laid plan closely followed. However we are conscious of the tendency of the hour for some men to support an automobile wife on a wheel borrow salary. And the harvest of such is divorce separa-

tion, suicide and in some cases murder? A large number of boys think that the first essential in a successful life career is a diamond ring, (bought with knocked down money), to hire a livery team every Sunday evening and drive several times over the most conspicuous streets of the town to show their income? Those same boys sometimes go to church at night, to spend the time in talking over important matters, writing their decisions on the backs of the pews, or in the Sunday School song book or church hymns. This same fellow or some of his pals are the ones that slot into telephone cables, knock out electric lights cut off or break down the other fellows shade trees and then cusses because the town is a little behind Washington City and adds to its business appearance by loafing on the streets or at some one of the barber shops or drug stores. There it is he expounds a solution of the great problems of the hour. Of course if you will follow him a little farther you will see him following some negro boy around the corner and down a back alley waiting for a pint and off he goes with a loud speech and offensive odor on his breath seeking a crap game, with the leadings of savagedom or slipping into the presence of some woman of questionable character. After ten years of such a chase he awakes wonderfully wrecked if he is living at all and grumbles because he has few associates and fewer friends, health gone, no resources of any kind, and yet can't understand why it is just so.

He has not practiced economy of any kind. We hope you will see the reverse side of this cut-line.

That's the one to follow.

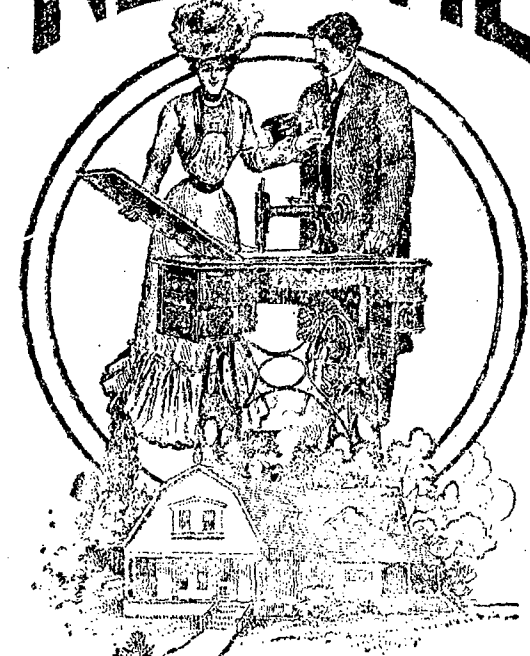
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The record of the New Year is before you. what will you record upon its three hundred and sixty-five leaves of pleasure or happiness, success or failure, life or death? That is the question every one of us will answer day by day, and hour by hour in the New Year. Cast no lingering look behind, for the books are closed and the account of every life is balanced for the past, and no bitter tears of regret and sorrow can erase the account, but grasp the future as it hourly passes to you with strong hands and as it takes its place in the tapestry, be able to say that you have wrenched from its hands, however hard they may be victory for the present—for eternity. To do this it will be necessary for you to choose as you consume the time, the good and not the bad, the uplifting and not the degrading, the inspiring, not the discouraging, for we all get just what we order. In after years, men and women in old age, looking back on their gray hairs in regretting grief and are to explain why this thing and that thing should come upon them, and not upon the other fellow. Don't forget that what sows ever a man sows, that shall he also reap. It never has failed it never will. The boy that spends his best days wading and winning, the hand a girl gamble for a wife, has won a gamblers' racket for life. Go young man to a house of prostitution, if you will for a wife and you will in after years learn, that you have a prostitute for a companion for life. With this and much more that could be added, be careful what you choose, for from the right choice, it may be that in coming years upon your brow shall rest the laurel leave of victory and your breast support the choicest diadems of life. Remember brother that life is only a transformer of your own acts and that the world owes you nothing and pays a lot less and all that you get out of the mill of life is what you put in less the toll of error and wilful transgress-

sion. So may it be with you during this year and all they ears of coming life to select the things that build a physical, moral christian man, so that you will be able to live the clean moral, economical, social, industrious and christian life. And if such is your life, you will have no regrets in after years.

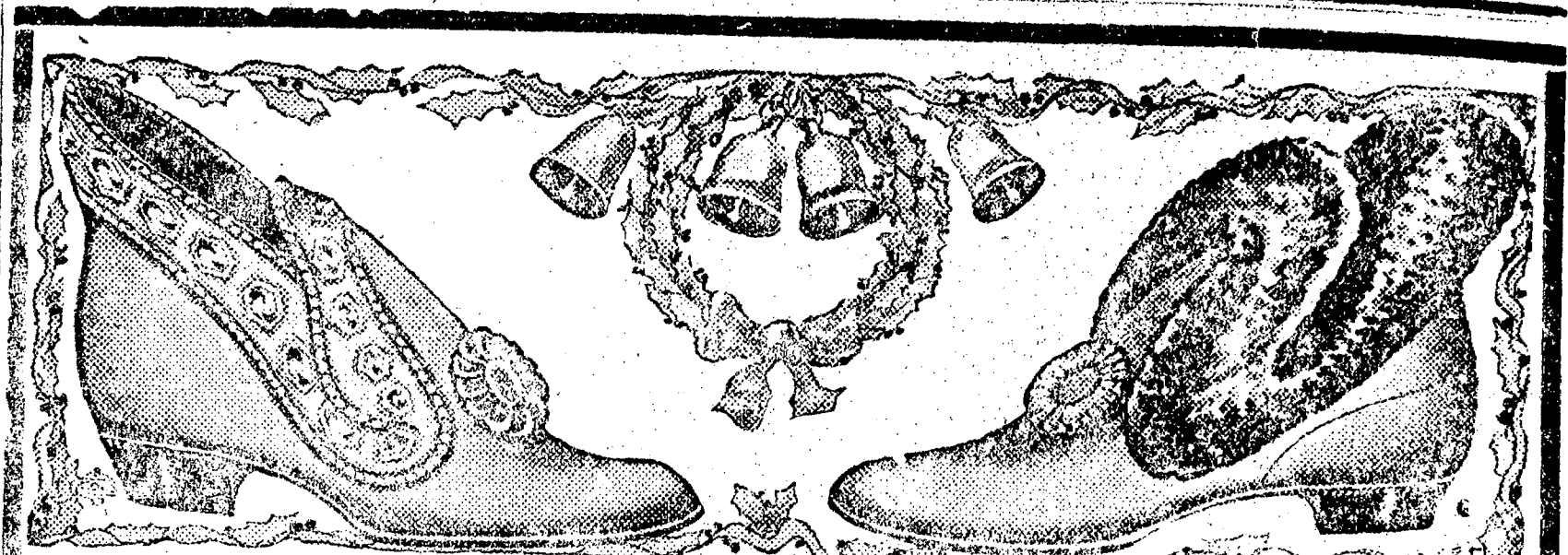
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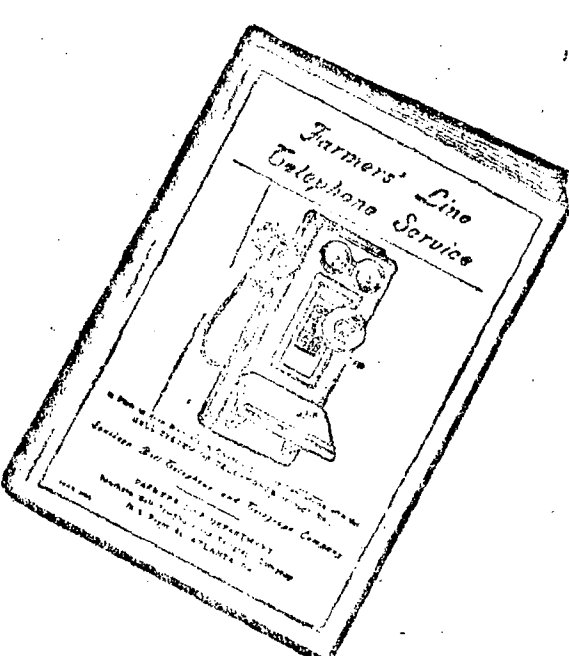
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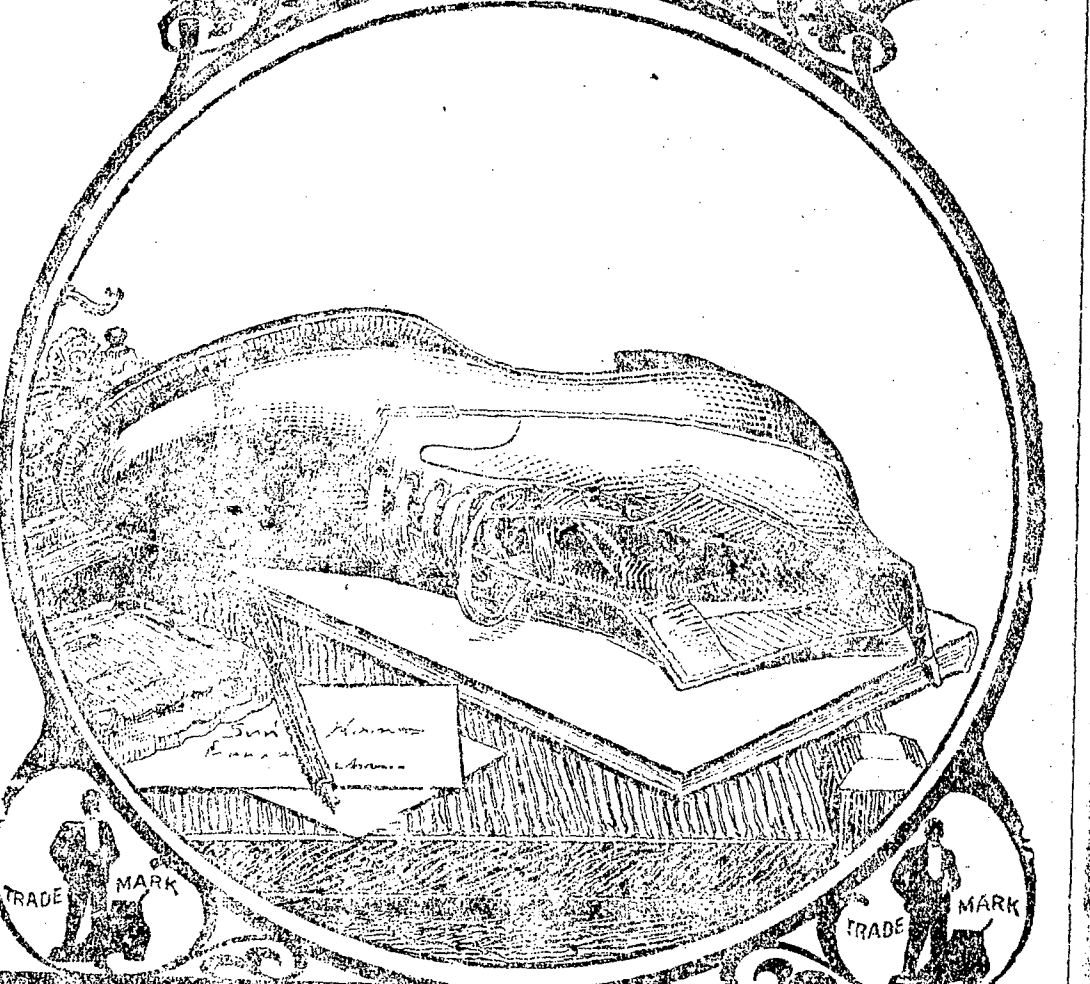
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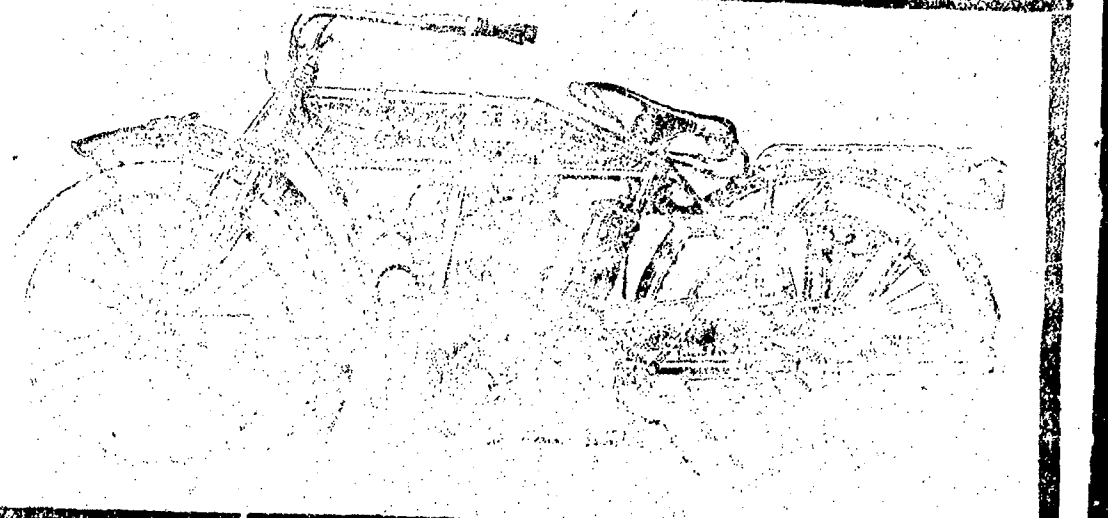
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