

### GOVERNMENT TAKES UP FIGHT AGAINST RABIES

Forest Service and Biological Survey to Try to Prevent Spread of Disease.

Washington, Dec. 16.—The department of agriculture is taking action through the biological survey and the forest service to combat a serious case of rabies infection of wild and domestic animals that is in danger of becoming widespread in the far west. The fact that the extensive dissemination of the disease is taking place through the agency of coyotes makes the situation a difficult one to meet. Outbreaks of rabies among coyotes have been noted from time to time for several years in parts of Washington, Oregon, and northern Idaho, and the forest service undertook last year a campaign in bringing the disease under control by employing hunters to make war on coyotes in the national forests of some infected localities. Since, however, the coyotes breed in the foothills and around the outskirts of the forests, a more comprehensive campaign is called for. The eradication of coyotes is especially difficult in the rough country. Inasmuch as these animals are a scourge of considerable loss to the livestock industry of the west, congress last year provided a special fund of \$125,000 to be spent on the biological survey for the eradication of predatory animals both in the national forests and on the public domain, and from this fund a special allotment has now been made to provide for fighting the rabies. The disease first appeared in parts of northern Idaho, in a region surrounded by natural barriers which tended to confine the outbreak. Domestic animals and human beings were bitten, and a good deal of alarm manifested by residents of the infected districts, many of whom feared for the safety of their children on the roads to and from school. The disease is now reported as having extended into northern Nevada and northern California, whence it may easily be carried far. The forest service, the biological survey, and the state board of health are working together to meet the situation in California.

### NEW HEBRIDES VOLCANO WAS RECENTLY ACTIVE

Eruption Lasted Several Days But Was Less Violent Than In 1913.

Sydney, Australia, Dec. 16.—Delayed reports have brought news of a fresh volcanic outbreak on the island of Ambrim, in the New Hebrides group, a spot which experienced a most destructive volcanic eruption in December, 1913. The Rev. A. T. Waters, a missionary stationed on the island of Coa, about 50 miles from Ambrim, writes that on the first few days of October last smoke and volcanic ash clouded the sky so thickly that the sun gave only a weird light like the moon, and it eventually became so dark that the people on Coa had to light lamps. Everything became gritty with ashes indoors, and out-of-doors they were so thick that the sea could not be seen from the Mission house, which ordinarily afforded a fine view of the water. There was for a time some panic among the natives of Oba who thought one of the mountains on their own island was in eruption, but the source of the trouble was later traced to Ambrim, and it appeared as though the entire island was burning. The missionary's letter did not say that anyone ventured to visit Ambrim during the eruption, and the extent of the damage or loss of life, if any, is unknown. The previous eruption at Ambrim, in December, 1913, was reported to have cost the lives of 500 natives, and to have completely altered the face and coast line of the island. According to the natives of Oba the recent trouble appeared to have been still worse than the previous eruption. Little is known as to the interior of Ambrim, which has been visited but rarely by white men. No census has ever been taken, but among the coast settlements there are a number of mission stations, mainly Roman Catholic and Presbyterian, whose members had a narrow escape in the previous eruption. The New Hebrides island have been controlled since 1906 by a joint commission of British and French officials under the supervision of two resident commissioners, one appointed by each nation. Parents! Give your boy a Y. M. C. A. membership for Christmas. 751-17

### WHAT A VISITING NURSE DOES



Hundreds of visiting nurses all over the United States who are bringing comfort and hope to sufferers from tuberculosis are supported from the sale of Red Cross Christmas Seals. Only the other day a nurse called on a very sick man, and as soon as she looked at him she saw the look of starvation in his eyes. After she had made him comfortable she went out and bought eggs, and it was wonderful to see the eagerness with which he partook of the nourishment she offered. When the nurse was leaving he said, "Doctor said that you would make me comfortable, but I think you are an angel." We cannot save that man, but he is going to be fed and die in comfort. A family was recently found by a Duluth visiting nurse destitute, suffering from hunger and cold. The family was huddled in two small rooms. The father, suffering with tuberculosis, was sent to a sanatorium. All members of the family were examined, and two of the children were found to be sanatorium patients. They have all been provided with necessary clothing, made possible by the Christmas Seal fund, and are now in a sanatorium. The father became discouraged some months after being sent to the hospital and wanted to return to the same conditions he had left. A sleeping porch was built for him out of the Christmas Seal fund, and he is now using it. The children will soon be discharged and will also use the porch when they return home. There is a large family in a western state the father of which died some years ago of tuberculosis. A married daughter died this year of the same disease. A son who is a bookkeeper and a daughter who is a waitress are now in the last stages of the disease. Three small children whose only hope lay in removing them from the infected premises were taken to a tuberculosis sanatorium by the visiting nurse who discovered them. Red Cross Seals are supporting this nurse, and the sanatorium grew out of the Red Cross Seal campaign. A visiting nurse tells of a father of nine children who must stop work and go to a sanatorium. The small wages earned by the two oldest children barely fed the family, and there is nothing left to buy clothing, shoes, etc., for the father. The problem is being solved by the Christmas Seal fund. Doesn't it pay to invest your Red Cross Seals in such service?

### Two Day Sale of Fine Furs

On Friday and Saturday you may select at will from our stock of Fine Furs and Fur Coats at 10 Per Cent less than marked price. You can appreciate this bargain when you consider that Furs are worth nearly double wholesale than what we paid for ours eight months ago.



### 85 New Skirts at Half Price

These skirts are winter models. Every one being this season's styles. The HALF PRICE SALE will last but two days. Serge, Cheviots, Chud-dah cloth, Wool Plaids and Golf Cords are the materials. Colors include navy, black, checks, green, gray, rose and white. All sizes. \$5.00 to \$12.50 dress and sport skirts for. \$2.50 to \$6.25

### Christmas Sale of Articles Suitable for Holiday Giving

In this advertisement we list a number of articles at very special prices. Thrifty women who want their Christmas money to go as far as possible should take advantage of these reductions. Some are special purchases, others are reduced to quicken their sales. They are all splendid values.

#### Shaving Mirrors at Half Price

In order to insure an immediate clearance of these Shaving Mirrors we have cut the price to HALF. A large selection awaits you. \$1.50 shaving stand mirrors, priced at 75c. \$2.50 shaving stand mirrors, priced at \$1.25. \$3.00 shaving stand mirrors, priced at \$1.50. \$4.00 shaving stand mirrors, priced at \$2.00. Up to \$8.00 shaving stands mirrors, for \$4.00.

#### Fancy Baskets with Emeries

A large assortment of small baskets with three small colored covered emeries, regular 25c value, a nice remembrance, priced 15c, 2 for 25c at

#### Leather Handkerchief Cases \$1.19

LEATHER EMBOSSED HANDKERCHIEF CASE containing six all-linen Gentlemen's handkerchiefs, a regular \$1.50 item, a limited number left to close \$1.19

#### Glass Powder Boxes and Hair Receivers

25c and 35c Glass Powder Boxes and Hair Receivers, with silver tops, priced 19c. 50c large size Powder Boxes and Hair Receivers, with silver top, priced at 39c

#### A Yuletide Glove Sale

Here's an unexpected opportunity to buy gift gloves at special prices. \$1.50 white washable kid gloves, a full range of sizes, a serviceable and useful gift, for FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, priced at, pair. 98c

#### Ladies' Umbrellas-Special at \$1.98

A special purchase permits this underpricing on desirable Christmas merchandise. A line of LADIES' UMBRELLAS; fancy and plain handles; strong frame covered with durable material, a regular \$2.50 value, for FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, priced at 1.89

#### Riddance of Fancy Baskets

Below are mentioned three lots of fancy baskets. The prices are made unusually low for a quick riddance. Sewing baskets, Trinket baskets, sweet grass baskets and a variety of colored baskets are included. We do not guarantee that an assortment after the first two hours. Lot No. 1—Fancy baskets, that formerly sold for 39c, for 10c. Lot No. 2—Fancy baskets, formerly priced up to \$1.00, for 30c. Lot No. 3—Fancy baskets, formerly priced up to \$2.25, for 50c

#### Ladies' Rain Coats Underpriced

The last few days have impressed many of us with the importance of Rain Coats. Why not give a raincoat as a gift, and thus supply a necessary article of apparel. The rain coats mention below are guaranteed waterproof; the styles are new; all sizes. \$5.00 Ladies' rain coats, are priced, at \$3.85. \$6.00 Ladies' rain coats, are priced at \$4.85. \$7.50 Ladies' rain coats, are priced at \$5.85

#### Tailored Suits at Very Special Prices

\$15.00 Suits for \$9.75. \$20.00 and \$22.50 Suits for \$12.75. \$25.00 Suits for \$15.75



## Bon Marche

### SPENT 20 YEARS IN JAILS READY TO DIE IN ONE

### New York Prisoner, Dying, Refuses to Make a Defense When Arrested Again.

New York, Dec. 16.—"I have been in jails nearly twenty years, and as I am dying now of consumption I guess I might just as well die in one." This statement was made by Richard Carlin, forty years old, who gave his address as No. 246 West 124th street, Manhattan, when he was arraigned before Magistrate Leach in the Flushing Police court on a charge of burglary. Carlin was arrested last Sunday night as he was leaving the home of Starling H. Bussard, an advertising man, at No. 234 Barclay street, Flushing. Carlin told the police of entering other homes. When searched several thousand dollars' worth of jewelry was found in his possession. He was held for the grand jury. We have been born to associate with our fellow men and to join in community with the human race.—Cicero. It does not matter a trifle whether a man be supported by patron or client if he himself wants courage.—Plutarch.

### THE WEATHER

Table with columns: Location, Lowest Temp Last Night, Highest Yesterday, Precipitation Last 24 Hours. Includes cities like Asheville, Atlanta, Chicago, etc.

colder weather in the west with light frost at San Diego, Cal., and freezing in southern Arizona. It is warmer in the southern states except in the western parts of Texas and Oklahoma where it is becoming much colder. Wisdom is oftentimes nearer when we stoop than when we soar.—Wordsworth. T. R. TAYLOR, Observer.

