

Dickens' Christmas Carol

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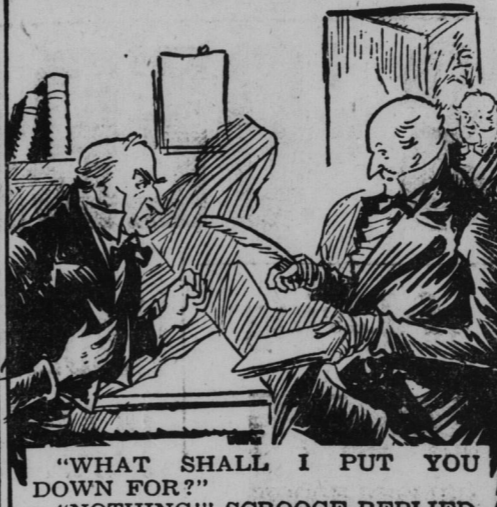
THE CLERK IN LETTING SCROOGE'S NEPHEW OUT HAD LET TWO OTHER PEOPLE IN. THEY WERE PORTLY GENTLEMEN AND PLEASANT TO BEHOLD.



"SCROOGE AND MARLEY'S, I BELIEVE," SAID ONE OF THE GENTLEMEN. "HAVE I THE PLEASURE OF ADDRESSING MR. SCROOGE OR MR. MARLEY?" "MR. MARLEY HAS BEEN DEAD THESE SEVEN YEARS," SAID SCROOGE.



"HIS LIBERILITY, NO DOUBT IS REPRESENTED BY HIS SURVIVING PARTNER, AND AT THIS FESTIVE SEASON OF THE YEAR IT IS DESIRABLE TO MAKE SOME SLIGHT PROVISION FOR THE POOR AND DESTITUTE," SAID ONE.



"WHAT SHALL I PUT YOU DOWN FOR?" "NOTHING!" SCROOGE REPLIED. "I DON'T MAKE MERRY AT CHRISTMAS MYSELF AND I HAVEN'T ENOUGH TO MAKE IDLE PEOPLE MERRY. I WISH TO BE LEFT ALONE. GOOD AFTERNOON, GENTLEMEN!" To be continued



Gracie Allen and Fred Astaire in "Damsel in Distress" Stevenson Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.

RED CROSS TOTAL STANDS AT \$305.25

Roll Call Donations Are About Half Goal of \$600 Set for Drive

Slightly more than half of the \$600 quota for the Red Cross Roll Call had been turned in by this afternoon in the drive which began here last Monday, D. L. Cannon, campaign chairman, said. He explained that a number of workers had not yet made their reports. Those who are carrying on the solicitation are expected to continue their efforts into next week until they have seen their prospects, the chairman stated. He is very desirous of obtaining the goal set for the county. A part of the receipts will be kept by the local Red Cross chapter for home hygiene work with high school classes, and the remainder sent to the American Red Cross headquarters in Washington. Receipts up to this afternoon were \$305.25, as reported by Mr. Cannon.

SPECIALTIES LEAD IN STOCK UPTURNS

Farm Implement Shares Some Stronger; Recent Rally Extended Only Slightly

New York, Dec. 4.—(AP)—Specialties, led by farm implements, gave a quiet display of strength in today's stock market. While a few issues got up as much as six points or so at the best, most leaders lacked sufficient buying support to extend the recent rally by more than fractions. There also was an assortment of losers at the close. Shares approximated 500,000. Bonds were uneven.

American Radiator	14 1-4
American Telephone	150
American Tob B	69
Anacosta	32
Atlantic Coast Line	27
Atlantic Refining	21 1-8
Bendix Aviation	13 1-8
Bethlehem Steel	54
Chrysler	58 1-2
Columbia Gas & Elec	9 3-4
Commercial	9
Continental Oil Co	9 5-8
Curtiss Wright	33 3-8
Dupont	118 1-4
Electric Pow & Light	13 3-4
General Electric	44
General Motors	36
Liggett & Myers B	90
Montgomery Ward & Co	36 1-2
Reynolds Tob B	42 3-4
Southern Railway	14 1-4
Standard Oil N J	45 1-2
U S Steel	58 1-2

British Steamship Riddled by Bullets Near Jap District

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ces twice encountered foreign resistance. At the same time a representative of General Matsui, the Japanese commander, demanded settlement of police prevent any repetition of "the victory march" attack on Japanese soldiers.

Odd Facts In Carolina - - - - - By Carl Spencer



RALPH AYCOCK, OF DURHAM, WHILE PASSING THROUGH SELMA, STOPPED AT A CAFE. HE HUNG HIS HAT ON A HAT-RACK WHILE EATING AND LEFT FORGETTING IT. A YEAR LATER, BY CHANCE, HE STOPPED AT THE SAME CAFE. WHILE EATING, HE GLANCED UP AND NOTICED HIS HAT STILL HANGING IN THE SAME POSITION IN WHICH HE HAD LEFT IT!

J.P. DAVENPORT, OF POCULOUS, USES HIS AUTOMOBILE HORN TO CALL HIS HOGS AT FEEDING TIME. THEY WILL NOT RESPOND TO ANY OTHER HORN!

MR. SIDES, HIPP SHANK, SHIN AND SHOE LIVE NEAR ROCKWELL!

ADAM SAFRIT, FAITH, KILLED A RABBIT ON THE OPPOSITE SIDE FROM WHICH HE SHOT! THE RABBIT GLANCED BACK FROM A ROCK.

MISS ANN COOK, WINSTON-SALEM, MARRIED SAM BOOKE. NOW SHE IS A. COOK-BOOKE!

A SWEET-POTATO GROWING THROUGH THE SIDE OF A SHOE WAS GROWN BY L.C. RICKARD, CHURCHLAND.

Poland Also Is In Market For Colonies

for Delbos' talk with Polish leaders actually had begun. The French insisted Poland's troubled relations with Czechoslovakia must be included in any discussion of means of pacifying Europe. The reply was that Poland was accustomed to iron out her difficulties with her neighbors alone. The Poles also were inclined to make an issue of the fact Delbos had a brief talk with German Foreign Minister Von Neurath when his train stopped in Berlin yesterday. They said this introduced an element not foreseen when the Franco-Polish talks were planned, and that the program needed revising.

FIRE-CURED LEAF OPENINGS HIGHER

Virginia Sales Start Off Better In First Week as Selling Period Is Begun

Raleigh, Dec. 4 (AP)—Virginia's fire-cured tobacco market opening prices this season were "slightly higher" than for opening last year, taken generally. This leaf and lugs were up five to ten percent, respectively, with head leaf about stationary. However, the Agricultural Economics Bureau said today, compared with 1936 crop averages, opening week prices for all groups were lower, lugs about 14 percent off, and heavy and thin leaf, respectively, eight and six cents lower.

Sees Government In Yielding Mood

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serve Board had seen a recession coming, had investigated and had made a report, which, he said, was before President Roosevelt, and fore-shadowed, he asserted, important New Deal concessions to big business, in an effort to counteract the threatened ebb in our prosperity tide. Communications agencies, he prophesied, were about to be increasingly gently dealt with by the FCC. The railroads, he added, were scheduled to have certain kindnesses extended to them by the ICC. But his particular interest was, and is, in the field of power industry. He explained that our great utilities were anxious to put a billion into improvement of their plants, if the government would "lay off" them sufficiently to permit them to float more securities, to finance their expansion plans. He forecasted that the administration would do so, too. Prophecy Comes True. A day or two afterward, while I still was revolving these predictions in my mind, the ICC boosted the railroads' rates 15 percent. Thus reassured, I took a chance and, as we reporters express it, "ran" my press agent friend's "story." And for a fact, he was right. The admin-

istration is coming to terms with the utilities. Six months ago it was advertised that Uncle Sam was on the point of creating seven "little TVA's" to sell nationally - generated hydro-electric power, here, there and everywhere throughout the United States, in competition with privately - generated power. Placated Corporations. Communication companies are not yet placated, but maybe it is their turn next. The railroads are partly placated, though still hollering. The utilities are fairly well satisfied. Their \$1,000,000,000 expansion is reasonably well in sight. Norris Is Furious. There is a "Bloc" in this country led by Senator George W. Norris of

Nebraska) which rates power governmentalization almost as a religion. It is furious at what it deems the administration's surrender. If it is a surrender? Motorist Gouged Going and Coming (Continued from Page One.)

pay an ad valorem property tax in the county, and the city if he lives in one, wherein he resides. This tax will vary according to the financial condition of his home governmental unit, but in very few cases will it be less than \$1 on the \$100 valuation. In many cases, it will run above \$3 on each \$100. Taking a rough average, the car owner will pay about a .82 tax rate on a

vehicle valued at \$250, or about \$5. His state tag last year cost an average of \$15.43, this year it will be slightly less under the reduced rates put in to effect by the 1937 General Assembly. No exact figure can be given on this phase, but it may be assumed at \$14, certainly no less. Then there's a city tag for city dwellers—another \$1 on the average. But even after paying the ad valorem and the tag taxes, the owner has only started. He may not recognize his filling station friend as a tax collector but every time he fills up with fuel the attendant will be one of A. J. Maxwell's efficient tax agents. According to 1936 figures, each owner will pay \$39.40 during the year in gasoline taxes. It will be scattered here and there, paid a few pennies at a time, but in the end these pennies will reach a tremendous figure. In 1936 they made a huge jackpot of \$19,994,000. Add all these items up. Each motor car owner will pay \$60 or more per year for the privilege of operating and for the road on which he runs.

10 Infants In Hospital Die In Days

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tal to which the disease is confined. Dr. Dundesen, city health board president, conferred with the doctors. The disease, which killed most of the babies within 24 hours, was characterized as violent inflammation of small intestine, and was diagnosed as acute epidemic diarrhea. The outbreak began November 23. Four babies died before the symptoms were fully recognized. The hospital immediately declined new obstetrical cases and isolated the other infants, but six succumbed and eight others were stricken. The victims ranged from nine to 24 hours. Seven of them were girls.

Roosevelt Going Home Quickly To Treat His Tooth

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insisted neither the crisis in China nor the congressional situation was a factor in the decision to return ahead of time. The President personally notified Secretary McIntyre here by radio of his decision. He said due to the delayed healing of his gum he thought it advisable to return directly to Washington without filling scheduled engagements.

RED TERRORS AND EAGLES WILL MEET

College Station, Raleigh, Dec. 4.—Dr. R. R. Sermon will send his State College eagles against the McCrary Eagles in Asheboro tonight in the first test this winter for the State team. State met the Eagles last year in a pre-season game and was beaten 41 to 33. The Eagles were led by Stuart Flythe, former State star, who scored 25 points. Many other former college stars are on the team.

The STATE TODAY

Jack Randall—in "Stars Over Arizona" Serial—Comedy

Peter Lorre—in "Think Fast Mr. Moto" News—Novelty

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