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\$50,000 is a big wad of money to refuse for the contract of a ball player, and Mack probably did just what any other manager would have done under the same conditions, disposed of his crack second baseman, Eddie Collins, regarded by most baseball critics as the game's brainiest player.

Those Russians really give evidence of marathon qualifications, if the Berlin reports can be trusted, for they certainly are running "some" since General Rennenkamp's deferred arrival spoiled the game of encircling the Germans, the "rules" for which, it is reported, were so nicely drawn by the Grand Duke.

And now comes along the protest from Germany that "dum-dum" bullets, whatever they are, are being manufactured in America for use by the British forces. If the charge is sustained, President Wilson will no doubt stop the manufacture and also prevent the shipment of any that have already been made. The use of this variety of bullets is in violation of the rules of modern warfare, and the manufacture by American concerns is out of accord with the administration's neutrality ideas.

The Free Press would respectfully call to the attention of the new Board of County Commissioners or the custodian of the courthouse property, that a little sand placed in the corner of the square by the fountain, where water now stands practically all the time, would not be agreeable to next year's mosquito crop, the propagators of which, no doubt, have already selected the spot as a suitable nesting place for the coming season.

Later: It has just been discovered that somebody has swiped our "thunder" from the above suggestion, by filling in the hole.

There is more or less talk about swimming pools in churches, and some are inclined to deprecate the modern tendency of "religious architecture." There is no earthly reason why the young men and the young women of the churches should not be considered when the plans are drawn. The church habit is a good one, and those innocent amusements and pastimes, which cultivate the habit, are but welding wholesome influences. The Y. M. C. A. has its gymnasium and its swimming pools, together with other forms of amusement, and no one can dispute the great benefit to society that this system of institutions, which belts the world, has wrought.

Perhaps when the state-wide prohibition laws go into effect over in the "Mother of States" and the shipment of blind tiger booze to North Carolina ceases, it will be possible for Kinston to do away entirely with the city lock-up, and thus save the expense of erecting a decent place to incarcerate the unruly. The abandonment of the jail in a prohibition town is not without precedent. The advertisement of a certain Kansas sheriff a few months ago asked for bids on his "hostelry." His reason for selling was lack of patrons. Meridian, Mississippi, frequently announces that the doors of its jail are thrown open to give the building an "airing" while there are no disorders to confine and so the use of jails may, some of these days, be discontinued. That day is somewhat remote, however, at the present writing, and The Free Press can find no possible excuse along that line or any other, for a continued use of the present "kennel."

The notion that some folks have about reading newspapers is ludicrous. They think that because a certain page in the paper is their favorite that it is also the favorite of everybody else, and that for that reason everything of interest must be put on that particular page. In making up a newspaper there is always a desire on the part of the editor to distribute the live news throughout the paper, as well as the interesting advertisements, so that each page may be readable and of interest. Otherwise there would be no good excuse for printing more than one page. Free Press readers are asked to begin at the left-hand corner of the top of page one and read straight through to the bottom of the right-hand corner of the last page, and then they will make sure that they do not miss an article that will be of much interest to them. In displaying the news it is always the aim to make the paper of most interest to the larger number of its patrons.

The testimony of Admiral Badger, commander-in-chief of the Atlantic Fleet of the United States Navy, when it made such a remarkably quick "get-away" after the order was given to proceed to Mexican waters for the purpose of enforcing proper respect for the Stars and Stripes, in which he says that the ships of the navy are as good as any that sail, and that there is little cause

for alarm as to the unpreparedness of that arm of the national defense, should "put to sleep" some of the cries of the alarmists. General Crozier dispelled a "little gloom," also, when he declared that the United States would never have need of the type of siege gun with which the Kaiser's forces have battled down the strongholds of Liege, Antwerp and other less important fortresses. It is certainly to be hoped that the United States will not only never need such "agencies of destruction," but that she may never be called upon again to bring her guns to play upon the flesh and blood of any nation.

HOW WILL WE CELEBRATE THE CHRISTMAS SEASON?

Christmas comes but once a year, and it is important that its celebration be fittingly observed. There is a responsibility attached to this occasion which should not be overlooked or treated unconcernedly. Christmas is the one "birthday party" that all the world should join in observing. It commemorates the natal day of the Saviour of the world. Unfortunately, this fact has been so largely overlooked until a great number of people have come to regard the occasion as one of revelry and debauchery, and they proceed to contribute their full share to make it such. The whiskey houses are flooding the mails with attractive offers and "suggestions" for the Christmas gift. Many good people, some, at other seasons: Godly men and women have come to regard it as perfectly in order for them to prepare the "eggnog," spiked to a "king's" taste and to partake of the "spirits" liberally at the Christmas time. Much money is "burnt" up in fireworks and otherwise thrown away. The spirit of Christmas is very properly that of joy and good feeling. It is the one time of all the year that every man, woman and child should throw aside their cares and dislikes and hail with gladness their fellows. But unfortunately the conception of a "good time" is far too often the most direct contrast with the ideals of the "Giver of every good and perfect gift." The Christmas season is one of responsibility, especially so to those who have been blessed with more than the average of this world's goods. The right use of the "talents" is a matter which should and does absorb the attention of right thinking people. In a certain peculiar sense, at this season, "we are our brother's keeper," and it behooves the more fortunate to bring sunshine and gladness to those who are not of themselves possessed of the requisites. Let the season be one in which the spirit of love, as exemplified in the life and teachings of the Master, be dominant. Let there be no occasion for the discomforts of the proverbial "morning after."

WHAT OTHERS SAY

JOHN MAY HAVE AN EMPTY CAN, TOO.

Greensboro News: "If it is really true, as authoritatively asserted, that John Andreu, Portuguese, of Pittsburgh, has invented a fuel for explosion engines, a demonstrated success for automobile use, which can be supplied to users at two cents a gallon, it is a sign that John is going to do business pretty soon with the Standard Oil Company. Or, perhaps, we should say, that the S. O. is going to do business with John."

TIMES GETTING BETTER RIGHT ALONG

Raleigh News & Observer: "Exports from this to other countries are increasing very rapidly. Business is paralyzed in Europe and the indications are that the United States will have all it can do filling the orders of Europe. There are undoubtedly busy times ahead. The Richmond News Leader well says: 'London wants to know what is the matter with America when it is estimated that a year of the war will add \$500,000,000 to our foreign commerce. It thinks we do not know when we are well off. Certainly pessimists convey that impression.'"

VIRGINIA'S RELIEF SHIP TO SAIL

Norfolk Ledger-Dispatch: "The Virginia relief ship, which is to carry the contributions of this state to the Belgians will sail from Norfolk on December 20th.

The ship is of 6,000 tons capacity, and so far a sufficient cargo to load her has not been contributed.

Gov. Stuart has issued a statement in which he calls upon the people of the state to ship quickly direct to Norfolk foodstuffs and clothing to complete the ship's cargo.

Notwithstanding the many demands at this season for help among our own people it is to be hoped that the cargo of the relief ship from Virginia will be speedily completed. The time, however, is short and whatever is to be sent must be sent at once."

ROCKY MT'S. GAS WORKS OPERATING

Rocky Mt. Telegram: "There will be thirty takers and users of gas in Rocky Mount before the end of the present week if there is no mishap in the plans of the business extension forces of the local plant. The work of connecting in the services is progressing rapidly, and while the city has installed a plant that is built for a city twice the size of Rocky Mount, and at an expense of about double that which would have been incurred had the franchise been given to a private company, Rocky Mount has added materially to its assets in municipal property, and it will not be a great while before our people will be realizing from the advantages of a cheaper fuel and at the same time getting better gas at a cheaper price than from a privately-owned monopoly, and all the time adding to the growth of our city."

Superstitious people are always disappointed if it doesn't happen.

Many a man gets into trouble by trying to settle other people's troubles.

Even a multi-millionaire can have his vermiform appendix removed only once.

A girl's easiest way to catch a man is by pretending to run away from him.

MARKETS

TODAY'S QUOTATIONS

PRODUCE

Wholesale Prices Reported by the Kinston Peanut Company

Pork	12 1/2
Bacon, side	18
Bacon, ham	25
Bacon, shoulder	18
Lard	14
Corn, Bushel	1.00
Potatoes, sweet	.50
Eggs	.30
Country butter	.30
Hens, pound	.10
Broilers, pound	12 1/2
Turkeys, pound	15
Roosters, apiece	25
Guineas, apiece	20
Geese, apiece	40

TODAY'S COTTON MARKET

New York, Dec. 10.—Opening quotations on the cotton exchange today were:

January	7.16
March	7.35
May	7.53
July	7.68
December	7.02
Closing figures:	
January	7.18
March	7.19
May	7.35
December	6.91

The government estimate for the season, announced today, is 15,963,000 bales.

KEEP IT HANDY FOR RHEUMATISM.

No use to squirm and wince and try to wear out your rheumatism. It will wear you out instead. Apply some Sloan's Liniment. Need not rub it in—just let it penetrate all through the affected parts, relieve the soreness and draw the pain. You get the ease at once and feel so much better you want to go right out and tell other sufferers about Sloan's. Get a bottle of Sloan's Liniment for 25 cents of any druggist and have it in the house—against Colds, Sore and Swollen Joints, Lumbago, Sciatica and like ailments. Your money back if not satisfied, but it does give almost instant relief. Buy a bottle today.

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4:10 Lv. Jackson Ar. 4:30
4:20 Lv. Albrighton Ar. 4:30
4:50 Lv. Sparrow's Ar. 5:20
5:20 Lv. Lynchburg Ar. 5:30
5:30 Ar. Pink Hill Lv. 6:00
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WM. HAYES, Gen'l Supt.

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Office hours: 9 to 11 a. m. 3 to 5 p. m. 8 to 9 p. m. Phones: Office, 478 Res. Phone 113

NOTICE.

Notice to all who live or own real estate in the Moudley Creek drainage district.—Your assessment is now due and unless same is paid on or before December 31st, your property will be advertised and sold.

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Sheriff Craven County.

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CHRISTMAS SALE

BEGINNING WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9th, And Continuing to Thursday Night, December 24th,

We offer our Entire Stock of Dry Goods, Dress Goods, Clothing, Shoes, Hats and Caps at ACTUAL COST. Our reason for having this sale, is that on January 1 we take inventory and we would rather count the money than the goods. Our stock comprises the most complete line of dependable goods to be found in this section. Shoes from such well known makers as Dorothy Dodd Shoe Co., Sherwood Shoe Co., Smith-Briscoe Shoe Co., and others. Clothing from reputable manufacturers such as Schloss Bros., & Co, and others. This will be our second Christmas sale and we hope it will meet with the same prompt response from our friends as our sale of a year ago. It is the greatest opportunity offered the people in this community to get seasonable goods of good quality at actual cost. The shoes that we offer, as well as some other goods, cannot be replaced by us with the money we get for them during this sale on account of recent advances in prices. We will not attempt to enumerate the bargains in this sale, for the facts are, the entire stock is a bargain, as everything has been carefully selected and we have not been in this line of business long enough to accumulate any bad stock.

In order to wait upon our customers promptly and in a manner that will be satisfactory to them as well as ourselves, the following rules will prevail—No goods sent out on approval. Nothing delivered except at our convenience. No alterations made in clothing or other goods, except at the expense of the buyer. Sale commences at 8 o'clock, Wednesday morning, December 9th. Store will be open until 9 o'clock at night. Terms, absolutely cash to everybody. Come to see us and you will come nearer getting the worth of your money than you ever did in your life.

T. W. MEWBORN & COMPANY