NATIONAL THEATER AMAZES THRONGS

Magnificent New Moving Picture House Opened Informally for Inspection.

COLOR SCHEME BEAUTIFUL

Playhouse Is Crowded to Doors, Two Shows Being Required to Accommodate All—Spectacle "America" Is Presented.

The National Theater was crowded to capacity Wednesday night when it was opened informally to the friends of the management. Fully 4000 persons saw the programme, a second show being required to accommodate the throngs.

From the standpoint of equipment the theater is unsurpassed by any motion picture house in Portland, and probably there is not a better moving picture theater on the Coast. It is all in ivory white, buff and blue. The colors blend into each other and the result is a harmonious hue most restful to the eyes. Over the arch is a wonderful painting representing peace and liberty. The draperies, curtains and carpets are all a soft, dull blue and the chairs have the same shade. The willow seats in the boxes are of ivory white.

Promenade Is Popular.

The promenade on the balcony is a new idea and was made the most of last night when the guests rested in the big, soft, comfortable chairs and davenports between the performances. The balcony, too, is in blue and buff. The women's dressing-room and the men's smoking-room in the balcony are provided with every modern equipment. A maid is in attendance in the women's room.

A feature of the new theater is its ventilating system. There are three separate ventilating systems in the theater, all of which are in use constantly, keeping the air fresh from the screen to the highest point in the balcony.

Another feature of the National is the "kiddies'" playground in the basement. There are dolls, Teddy bears and dogs, toy dishes, sandpiles with spades and rakes and shovels, swings, chutes, hobby horses and countless other playground essentials in place for the youngsters.

Kids Enjoy Themselves.

Two maids are in attendance here, so that mothers may enjoy the show and know that their babies are safe. Dozens of children, who attended the show last night with their parents, were scampering toward the basement as soon as they were turned loose. Shrieks of joy issued from the "lower regions" and smiles spread over the faces of the elders, who heard and saw. In five minutes gaiety reigned supreme. Sand was scattered to the four corners and wheels, chutes and everything else in the playground were tried out by the youngsters.

The theater throughout was decorated with big baskets of chrysanthemums, yellow and lavender and white. They were artistically caught up with fluffy bows of tulle that poised like butterflies against the shaggy blossoms.

Great Picture Presented.

The programme began at 8 o'clock. It opened with a short address by General Manager Melvin G. Winstock, who expressed his appreciation of Portlanders' hearty response to the invitation to inspect the theater.

Dr. R. M. Emerson followed with a vocal selection which was received heartily. Then the picture offering, "America," came. This film was taken in the big New York Hippodrome and represents the largest extravaganza ever staged. More than 1000 persons were employed in the making of the picture. It is in 15 episodes, each separate in plot and action from the others. Hundreds of pretty, clever dancing girls appear in the picture. Farm scenes are so real that the spectators almost forgot they were in a picture playhouse, horses, cows and chickens appearing like "regular" actors in the marvelous photodrama.

Swimming Girls Amaze.

The world-famous Hippodrome swimming girls went down under water right before the eyes of the astonished spectators and stayed there for what seemed to be hours. Then they popped up dripping and singing.

A comedy drama in one reel, "The Peacemaker," with Vitagraph's prettiest girls featured, was shown.

Miss Eva De Vurna, an attractive soprano, sang two selections and won an ovation.

The "National Trio" sang with great unity and ease. They were applauded vociferously. "In the Candle Light" was especially well sung.

The theater will be opened to the Portland public formally tonight.

ROBBERS IN PAIRS BEAT 2

South Portland and Fourteenth and Irving Arc Holdup Scenes.

Two men were beaten and robbed Wednesday night, each by two "strong-arm" men, who used the same methods, but whose descriptions are not the same.

C. A. Abramson, second mate on the Norwegian bark Urania, was set upon by two men in South Portland late last night, badly beaten, kicked about the head and robbed of $27. He was taken to the police emergency hospital.

Joseph Yoacum reported to the police that two men attacked him at Fourteenth and Irving streets, knocked him down, choked him and robbed him of $5. Both pairs of robbers were reported to be young men and unmasked.

MOTHER AND GIRL HELD UP

Two Highwaymen Force Woman to Hand Over Her Purse.

Two young highwaymen held up Mrs. C. H. Lasey and her daughter, Maude, Wednesday night at the corner of Twenty-sixth and Tibbets streets, ordering Mrs. Lasey to turn over to them a silver mesh bag containing about $12. The highwaymen were armed.

Mrs. Lasey lives at 265 West Holman street, and, with her daughter, was returning home when accosted by the highwaymen. Patrolman J. P. Murpry searched the neighborhood, but found no trace of the robbers.

ELEPHANT SPOILS TRIP

Animal Torments Trainer and Passengers With Unceasing Hubbub.

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—Charles Morgan, animal trainer, slipped ashore from the steamship Minnewaska, which arrived from Liverpool recently, just as guiltily as though he had been caught without an opinion upon the causes of the war. He was hollow-eyed from want of sleep and when he stepped from the gangplank ran to the office of the nearest truckman and made arrangements to have a crate which reposed on the after deck transferred ashore at once. In the crate was a baby elephant 15 months old.

Mortyn had a most unhappy trip. The baby wouldn't permit him to leave her side for a moment without making trouble. If he did slip away to bolt some food there came from the crate elephantine bellows of displeasure.

The custodian found himself socially ostracized because the elephant insisted upon sobbing in the upper register through the dark watches of the night. It was shiveringly cold in one's pajamas on deck after midnight, so Mortyn decided to remain in his berth after the first few nights—much to the passengers' discomfort.

The climax came on Sunday. Mortyn had found himself so frowned upon that he decided to attend church service. He thought it might soften the hearts of his fellow travelers when they saw that he was all right despite his charge. So he patted the baby and succeeded in quieting it. Then he went to church. Things progressed smoothly until the Rev. E. Seton Pattison started to preach a sermon. Then the elephant also started. No one could hear what the preacher said, and finally the trainer left the church, and the services were suspended until the baby had been quieted.

BOWLERS GET SURPRISE

ESTES BAR SQUAD DROPS THREE TO LEIGHTON'S QUINTET.

Two Teams Take Majority of Games Each in Class A of Commercial League Series.

Several surprises were sprung in the Class A section of the Commercial League Wednesday night on the Oregon Alleys. Leighton's Dairy Lunch trimmed the League leaders, Estes Bar, three straight games while two games were dropped by the Western Soda Works to the bowlers of the Ernest Wells Realty Company and the Brunswick-Balke-Collender Company quintet had no trouble in humbling the Portland Sign Company on two occasions.

Captain Gavin, of the sign company, secured 210 for the high average, while one of his opponents, Cass, went 222 pins for high game. Chitry only bowled two games, but his average of 203 goes for high, while his teammate, Miller, registered high game of 236. Heath, of the downtrodden Estes Bar squad, splintered 224 pins in one game, but Harbert, of Captain Bartle's Dairy Lunch representatives, made three less than 200 for an average in three games.

The scores follow:

COMMERCIAL A.

Leighton Dairy Lunch—	1st.	2d.	3d.	T'l Avg.
Harbert	159	206	196	561—187
Mailsen	192	165	153	480—160
Boholtz	170	132	165	467—156
Hedman	179	164	183	526—175
Bastis (captain)	180	181	153	514—171
Totals	880	848	850	578
Estes Bar—				
Heath	224	165	190	579—193
Wilkenson	170	161	157	488—162
Berthold	189	178	134	501—167
McConnaughey	122	136	169	427—142
Estes (captain)	147	139	143	429—143
Totals	852	779	793	2424

High score—Heath, 224. High average—Harbert, 197. Leightons won three games.

Portland Sign Company—				
McMahon	150	188	146	480—160
Deppe	142	182	190	514—171
Gavin (captain)	213	190	212	631—210
Eldon	190	146	188	531—177
Woldt	161	142	141	434—145
Totals	855	853	884	2594
Brunswick Balke Company—				
Cass	222	183	183	590—197
Krause	132	171	215	518—173
Bracker	205	137	193	556—185
Fischer	142	105	175	422—141
Arens	168	191	191	550—183
Totals	870	809	957	2636

High score—Case, 222. High average—Gavin, 210. Brunswick Balke Company won two games. Brunswick Balke Company total is high for the league and Gavin's total is high individual for the season.

Ernest Wells Realty Company—				
Durston	153	141	..	294—147
Miller	236	157	211	604—201
Coon	145	...	187	332—166
McPherson	163	181	168	512—171
Wells (captain)	196	176	133	495—165
Chitry	...	205	201	406—203
Totals	883	810	900	2643
Western Soda Works—				
Freeborough	178	183	167	528—176
Kern	159	186	159	504—168
Austey	169	175	183	527—176
Merrick	171	201	159	531—177
Snyder (captain)	149	145	181	475—158
Totals	836	890	849	2565

High score—Miller, 236. High average—Chitry, two games, 203. Ernest Wells Realty Company won two games.

MOOSE ENTERTAIN 1000

George L. Baker and Committee in Charge on Ladies' Night.

More than 1000 members and their wives and sweethearts were present at "ladies' night," given by the Loyal Order of the Moose in their hall Wednesday evening. The entertainment was furnished by George L. Baker and the committee in charge were: B. R. Brook, chairman; George L. Baker, Sig. Wertheimer, Jack King, Charles Lovering, H. Cohen and F. Coffinberry.

The following programme was rendered:

Maude Dial, character artist, "The Eccentric Dressmaker." Harriet Berlend, Dramatic sketch, "Years After," by Walter Gilbert; Carl Strousse, the man; James Morell, the agent; Clara Valentine, the woman; scene, a railway station. Mrs. E. M. Hogan, assisted by Miss King, coon songs and stories. George L. Baker, dramatic recitation, "Broomstick Belden," comedy musical act. W. J. Carkeek, the rube trick pianist. Gene Rogers, second John Bunny.

RECLUSE'S DAUGHTER WINS

Girl to Get Share of Estate Left by Bowery Hermit.

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—Dudley Jardine's daughter will receive part of the Bowery recluse's estate, according to a judgment by stipulation rendered in Supreme Court recently. The brothers and nephews of Jardine have agreed to settle out of court the contest of the will brought by the daughter, Anita Faithful McCarthy, and gave her a substantial portion of the $200,000 left by Jardine, or William Smith, as he was known for years.

Mrs. McCarthy has five children and is the wife of John McCarthy, janitor of the New York Society Library.

WOMAN GETS LIFE TERM

Jury Convicts Mrs. Jack Bayse of Poisoning Stepson.

HUGO, Okla., Oct. 24.—The case of Mrs. Jack Bayse, wife of a wealthy merchant of Boswell, Okla., accused of the murder of her 10-year-old stepson by administering poison, went to the jury recently. Mrs. Bayse took the witness stand and denied the state's charges. Edwin Debarr, State Chemist, testified he found poison was responsible for the lad's death.

The jury later returned a verdict of guilty and Mrs. Bayse was sentenced to life imprisonment.

OLD DANCES REVIVED

Commercial Club Has Farm Days Frolic for Guests.

ORCHESTRA PLAYS IN LOFT

Unique Costumes Bring Back Life in Country, "Tunes" Once Popular Are Heard and Antics of Rural Fetes Performed.

The harvest dinner dance given at the Commercial Club Wednesday night showed how much "city folks" enjoy a good time served up in country style.

There were 300 middle-aged men and women present, and the pranks that they played or cheered would make the average school boy envious.

The decorations and costumes were features. The large dining-room of the club was fixed up in Halloween regalia and called Horace Ramsdell's barn. Sawdust covered the floors; in one corner was a boxstall; above, in the loft, was an orchestra dressed in blue jeans. They had to use a ladder to reach the loft. Oil lanterns, jack-o'-lanterns of pumpkins, black cats' heads, yellow corn, vegetables, hay, straw, cornstalks and numerous signs were suspended.

The tables were decorated appropriately with Halloween crepe paper, vegetables, flowers in tin cans and nick-nacks. Each person had a red hatchet and a small flatiron to crack nuts with and used them to beat time with the orchestra.

Unique costumes were worn by W. J. Hofmann, I. F. Powers, J. Fred Larsen, O. C. Bortzmeyer, Guy T. Ketchnott, W. A. Cadwell, A. C. McMicken, Thomas Swivel and W. J. Carkeek. Each, with the exception of Mr. Swivel, who was a dairymaid, was dressed as a farmer.

The women were not in the background any minute.

The lighting was beautiful, especially when moonlight dances were given. Even the music entered into the spirit of the evening and played out of tune and in discord when some dances imported by memory from old days on the farm were attempted.

Mechanical toys danced the houchekouche in the middle of the floor, accompanied by the orchestra. This was followed by an old-fashioned quadrille in "alum-and-left" style, William Cadwell calling the dance.

A prize waltz caused lots of merriment. Mesdames Frederick Jacobs, Bert Farrell, Roy Fields and John H. Hall were the judges. Mr. Sanford Lowengart and Miss Florence Wolfe won the prize.

W. J. Hofmann, chairman; I. Powers and J. Fred Larsen were the committee responsible for the evening's entertainment.

REGIMENT IS DESTROYED

CROWN PRINCE'S FORMER TROOPS WIPED OUT BY AFRICANS.

Withering Fire Awaits Prussians as Force Approaches and Last Man Drops Before Bullet Rain.

PARIS, Oct. 27.—How a battalion of African light infantry practically wiped out a regiment of the Prussian Guard, the regiment which the German Crown Prince used to command, is one of today's battle stories. At daybreak the advance posts of the African battalion had been suddenly retired on a couple of villages which, naturally, must be nameless.

Profiting by a thick fog, the advancing Prussians had actually come into contact with the African sentries before their presence became known. As the villages lay in an open plain, void of all natural defenses, the Prussians obviously looked forward to an easy task. They were quite unaware that for three days the occupying troops had been so hard at work that the place now fairly bristled with trenches, barbed wire entanglements and other obstacles to an enemy's approach.

Deceived by the absolute silence of the defenders, who lay in their trenches, their fingers itching on the triggers of their rifles, the Prussians came on gayly. Their sappers were just about to cut the first lines of wire when the Africans opened a hot fusillade. The foremost rank of the enemy dropped as one man, the second swayed, the entire body were badly shaken by the suddenness and unexpectedness of the fire that greeted them.

According to the story, the Prussians were shot down as they came, until first only a company and then only a section of that company remained. Finally, there came the time when but one man was left—a sub-Lieutenant, revolver in hand, monocle in eye. Presently he also fell. The attack had failed; those who had essayed it had been sacrificed to a man.

POSTMASTER WOULD QUIT

Colton Office's Parcel Post Forces Store Out for Mail.

COLTON, Utah, Oct. 24.—Lyman H. Marble, merchant and postmaster here, has retained an attorney in an endeavor to be released from his official position. His term expired more than a year ago, but the Government has failed to appoint a successor or to release him or his bondsmen. The increase in mail matter since the parcel post was established has caused him serious losses, Marble says, and he has been compelled to place his own goods outside his store to make room inside for mail matter.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25.—Postal officials declared recently that Lyman Marble need not bother to proceed under his counsel's advice in an effort to get rid of his Government job, because his successor already has been appointed. She is Mrs. Myrna Dangford and as soon as she completes her bond she will be authorized to take over the Colton postoffice. Delay in relieving Marble of his post, it was said, probably resulted from a lack of candidates and the inadvisability of closing the Colton postoffice.

PARIS DIGNITY LAX IN AID

All Fashions Go and Aristocrats Join in Care for Wounded.

PARIS, Oct. 27.—Parisians in general are having rather a pleasant moment of respite from the duties that fashion imposes, and if it were not that many of them have a sort of shame of enjoying such leisure and security while their brethren are in the trenches and exposed to all the horrors of an earthly inferno, they would confess that they had never spent so glorious a Summer. We are no longer obliged to attend the theaters and be seen at the opera and comedy on fixed days. If now and again we enter a kinema it is our own free will and pleasure, as in any other provincial town.

Nobody "dresses" any more, to speak of—we get up and go to bed early and lead a truly virtuous and patriarchal life. The grandest and most fastidious men and women rub shoulders anonymously in public-spirited cares for the poor, the sick and the wounded, and new traits of character develop where least expected. I met a man today, an excellent good fellow—"one of the best" you would call him—but who was usually looked upon as an exquisite who never needed to put himself to the slightest inconvenience.

He is now a "brancardier" on regular duty for so many hours a day and night. "I have just come from the Ritz," he said, "and, with another chap, had to carry a heavy artilleryman upstairs on a stretcher. His head was swollen to twice its size and black. It was like carrying a dead horse. I am no good at dressing, so all I can do is stretcher work and sweeping out the rooms. It is all well for the other fellows to laugh at me, but somebody must do these jobs."

CITY IS 250 YEARS OLD

Elizabeth, N. J., to Celebrate Founding and History Since.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—Elizabeth, N. J., will celebrate soon the 250th anniversary of its settlement. The celebration will begin with services in the First Presbyterian Church—Old First—at which Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia University, a descendant of Nicholas Murray, an old Elizabethian, will deliver an address.

The old church dates its origin to the first year of settlement, and it is peculiarly fitting that it should have a share of the celebration. John Grier Hibben, president of Princeton University, will be another speaker. It was in Elizabeth that the Rev. Jonathan Dickinson obtained, in 1746, a charter for the College of New Jersey, out of which grew Princeton University.

All of the churches of the city will hold religious and patriotic services, and Josephus Daniels, Secretary of the Navy, will address an open-air mass meeting in Union Square, where the Minute Man's statue looks out upon the spot where the sturdy men of Elizabeth skirmished with Hessians in Revolutionary days.

Councilman Edward Nugent will call to order a civic meeting in the Old First Church, at which Governor Fielder, of New Jersey, will respond to a welcome extended by the Mayor, Dr. Victor Mravlag, Justice Francis J. Swayze, president of the New Jersey Historical Society, and William J. Magie, Jr., dean of Princeton University, will also speak. A reception to Governor Fielder and others in the rotunda of the Union County courthouse will follow. Then there will be a luncheon in Carteret Arms, one of the city's historic houses.

A tablet will be unveiled by the Society of Colonial Wars at St. John's Episcopal Church. School children will form a procession and lay wreaths on the monuments, cannon, and historic tablets in various parts of the city. "The Pageant of Elizabeth" will be given and a display of fireworks will close the celebration.

BABY'S CLOTHING HELD

Woman and Child Ousted From Home Found Freezing on Steps.

PITTSBURG, Oct. 23.—With her week-old baby girl, devoid of clothing, clasped tightly to her bosom and both shivering in the chill of the early morning fog, Mrs. Ella McCarthy, 19 years old, was found recently on steps at Moody and Arch streets, Northside, by Policeman James B. Smallwood.

Both were taken to the Allegheny police station. Mrs. McCarthy said she had been refused her baby's clothing by the woman with whom she roomed in Arch street. At the Arch-street house Smallwood was told that Mrs. McCarthy owned them or caring for her when she was ill.

The matron at the station cared for the baby while the mother got clothing for it. Mother and baby left the police station later.

At the rooming-house the young woman who came to the door refused to give the name of the person who conducted it and declared that Mrs. McCarthy had tried to get out of the house without their knowledge.

CUBA JOINS CELEBRATION

New York to Get Band and Products From Island for Show.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—The New York City Tercentenary Commission has received a cable dispatch from the Cuban government informing them that it intends to join with New York in the coming celebration. Dr. Lorenzo Arias y Gurra, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, Commerce and Labor, will arrive in New York soon to make the necessary arrangements.

An extensive exhibit of Cuban agriculture and commercial products will be made at the "Old New York" exhibit in the Grand Central Palace. The cane-growing and sugar-making industry will be represented by exhibits and rare tropical woods, lace, embroidery and Cuban fruits will be shown. The Cuban government band, which corresponds to the Marine Band of Washington and which is composed of 70 pieces, is now on its way to New York and will play here during the celebration.

BELGIAN LOSS 25 PER CENT

More Than 10,000 Lost Defendnig Strip of Territory.

LONDON, Oct. 29.—The correspondent of the Daily Mail in northern France, dealing with the enormous sacrifice and the devoted courage of the Belgians, says:

"More than 10,000 have been killed or wounded, which is a quarter of their whole force operating in the last battle. They have been defending a slip of territory from Dixmude to Nieuport, a region hardly bigger than a big German farm.

"Nearly all their wounded have been wounded in the back, but never were wounds more honorable as the bullets and shrapnel hit them as they lay prone under the hail of the steel volcano. Their fate is the tragedy of this war."

MAN KEPT FROM WAR DIES

German's Allegiance to United States Prompts Him to Hang Self.

NEW YORK, Oct. 22.—Because he felt unable to serve Germany as a soldier, as he had sworn allegiance to the United States, Albert Munding, a driver, hanged himself in the vacant house at 94 Cedar street, Brooklyn, where he was found by Joseph Heiberger, a friend.

Munding was 50 years old and had been caretaker of the building where he was found. Heiberger says Munding was deeply despondent because his oath to Uncle Sam prevented him fighting for his native land. He did not appear among friends Friday or Saturday, so Heiberger went to the Cedar street house yesterday. He found Munding hanging from a step of a ladder. A doctor said Munding had been dead at least two days.

LIGHTS TO CALL POLICE

Suburbanites of Baltimore Asked to Put Red Globes in Homes.

BALTIMORE, Oct. 22.—Residents of Walbrook and West Forest Park will be asked to co-operate with the police department if the motorcycle squad is made a permanent arm of the department.

The Board of Police Commissioners, Marshal Carter and Deputy Marshal House, are now working on a plan to organize a motorcycle squad for the Northwestern district.

The residents will be asked to allow the use of their telephones and to place a light on their homes. It has been pointed out that with the private telephone and light system the police can be greatly aided in their work in the outlying districts.

Persons with electric lights in their homes will be asked to allow a red light to be placed in some position where it can be seen by the officer on the beat. The police station or resident who wants an officer at short notice will call up this house and leave the call for the officer, with directions as to where he is wanted and the nature of the case. The person who resides in the "resident station" will turn on the red light. After the officer calls the light will be turned out.

It is proposed to ask the co-operation of several residents on each post to help work out the scheme. Drug stores and places of business will be asked to help. It is said that the light scheme may be extended to other sections of the city — to places where watchmen are employed or at allnight drugstores.

Marshal Carter and Deputy Marshal House are ready to receive the names of persons who are willing to co-operate.

OVERCHARGE IS ADMITTED

Chicago Schools Pay Too Much for Books, Is Brought Out.

CHICAGO, Oct. 23.—A number of book companies admitted recently at the first meeting of the committee investigating the prices on text-books that they had overcharged the Board of Education. One company, Scott, Foresman & Co., sent a check to the Board for $42.46, representing the overcharge on $1667.36 worth of books sold since last October.

Superintendent Ella Flagg Young proposed that in the future the Board refuse to discriminate between the "open" and "closed" lists, which have caused most of the trouble. Nearly all of the companies which admitted they sold books cheaper in other states than in Chicago excused themselves on the grounds that the "closed" list prevailed in the other city, and that when the book was once adopted it was adopted without choice for a period of years.

It was learned also that in some cases where the Board is paying more for books than is paid by the boards in states other than Illinois the price to Chicago was lower at the time the contract was drawn. Since then, however, a still lower price has been offered to boards in other cities.

Ralph C. Otis, chairman of the committee, recommended that all old contracts permitting this be renewed, with a clause which forbids a future lower sale in another city without lowering the price in Chicago to correspond.

Dr. John Seath, Superintendent of Education of Ontario, Canada, visited the Chicago schools during the day.

RELIC TELLS OF WATERLOO

Ancient Papers Report Fall of Napoleon Before British.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—O. G. Wood, of Butte, has in his possession a number of interesting old papers almost 100 years old, says the Butte Daily Post. One of them, a copy of the Inquirer, was, in fact, published at Richmond, Va., on October 31, 1809. It is a curious old sheet, yellow with age, but well preserved. Among the interesting announcements is an advertisement of a state-authorized lottery for the benefit of the Baltimore Hospital. Through the lottery it was proposed to distribute $160,000 in prizes.

Chief of interest among these old papers, however, is a copy of the New York Evening Post printed August 2, 1815, and containing the first account published in this city of the battle of Waterloo. The story of the battle is prefaced with the following announcement: "We received from our correspondent at Boston by this morning's mail the following important news, which we hasten to lay before our readers." The letter from Boston bore date of July 31, 1815. It contained a brief account of the battle, in which Napoleon met his downfall, the news having come over from England in a ship just arrived at that port. It stated that Napoleon had attacked the allies on June 15, and that he had been overwhelmingly defeated on the 17th. News traveled slowly in those days, and there wasn't a great deal of it.

Mr. Wood has about 20 copies of the New York Evening Post published in 1815. All of them are in good state of preservation, and each is a curiosity. Each contains four pages with a way of presenting the news that would seem strange indeed to the modern newspaper reader. Among the announcements of one paper published on June 30, 1815, is an advertisement of the steamboat Fulton, which invited the public to go on several excursions planned for July 4. These trips were to extend over three hours each, and each passenger's fare was $1. The steamboat was a curiosity then, and attracted great attention. The Fulton was the pioneer of steam craft.

Each one of the old papers in Mr. Wood's collection is an interesting relic of newspaper publishing long since passed. Their owner prizes them highly, and has taken steps to insure their continued preservation.

BURIED MAN FED BY TUBE

Worker Caught in Quicksand Kept Alive by Physicians.

WARE, Mass., Oct. 22.—Fifty men, wielding picks and shovels, worked hard to rescue Maurice Allen, who was held fast in a quicksand 25 feet below the earth's surface.

Allen was being supplied with air through a diver's helmet, while food and stimulants were administered through a tube.

He was caught in the quicksand while digging a well near his home. He has been partially released two or three times, but each time there came another cave-in.

A second hole was dug about 50 feet from the well and rescuers began to cut a ditch, 30 feet deep, from the hole in the well, boarding the walls as fast as they could.

In the manner it is hoped to reach Allen before he succumbs. Physicians who fitted the diver's helmet on his head said that he had a fair chance to live, although the strain of his forced position has caused great exhaustion.

A War Picture.

Christian Herald.

Reader, imagine yourself in a railroad carriage, traveling over the 120 miles or so that separate Ghent from Ostend. In the train with you are some 200 or 300 women and children, with a scattering of old men. There is a mother, holding her baby to her breast and staring with wide eyes ahead of her. She is thinking of the child of 7, who was ill of scarlet fever when the soldiers came to their little town, and who died of fright at the sight. So quick was the flight that the little body had to be left unburied in the cottage.

But it is not there now, for the cottage and the village are alike in ashes.