

# Christmas Toys for the Home!

## Farmer Boy Becomes Famous

Members of the Marshfield Gun club and sportsmen in general will be interested in the following story of a farmer boy who has made good as a crack shot.

One of the brightest "shooting stars" to come out of the west is Roy H. Bruns, a 21-year-old farmer boy hailing from Brookville, Indiana. A sporting paper recently made the statement that "There is no record of any trap shooter jumping himself as high in the high average class in so short a time. Bruns 'copped' the high average at Denver and was only one target from high place at the post-season shoot."

In some ways young Bruns' career approximates that of A. P. Lane, the 20-year-old pistol champion of the world. Both followed their natural inclinations in breaking into the shooting game; both began practice amid humble home surroundings—bruns back of his father's barn, Lane in his father's cellar—and both came rapidly into prominence with meteoric rapidity. Unlike Lane, however, the Hoosier

## Indian Lad Wins Place Among Crack Shots of the World.

shooting, in order to keep on his feet."

Coming through the years, stealing an hour now and then from the corn rows and the numberless other employments that the broad Indiana acres offered, and saving money for ammunition from his hard earned stipend, the boy whom the trapshooters of the world are watching today, shot his way, early and late, toward the proficiency which he hoped sometime to attain. His fellow farm hands soon accorded him a sort of local "Buffalo Bill" reputation. One of the faithful, especially confident, was wont to show his fealty by coolly inserting the end of his finger in a tomato and holding it aloft as a target for his hero's rifle practice, but he it said for the accuracy of the shooter that these exploits did not increase the census of three-fingered farm hands in Indiana.

Sporting writers first began to give the Hoosier lad serious attention when he beat out a field of 180 marksmen at the 1912 Denver handicap, winning high average,

## Chances to Arrive

—BY—  
BOB STANLEY

Some fellows saw a chance to bask 'neath Fortune's glance, and easily to reach the top-most round, and most of them were wise. They reached and grasped the prize that put them where the joys of earth abound. But, then, the multitude with light were not imbued and never saw the chances passing by, so now they stand and wait for some quick turn of Fate to help them out. Such ones are you and I. We're sorry for the bunch who didn't take the hunch, that like us let their little chances go. We realize each day while struggling on our way, our think-em-bobs were once a trifle slow.

Some others can't arrive, no matter how they strive, they never reach the heights they would attain. They seek for wealth and fame, but Fortune, sly old dame, eludes them and their seeking is in vain.

So, while our sorrow's great for those who've met our fate, our sympathies are mostly with the guy who does his best and fails to gain Life's easy trails because the World won't let him have his try.

Old World, why won't you give each man a chance to live, and let us reach the heights for which we strive? Although we're worn and lame, we all want in the game, so let us all have chances to arrive.

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ROY H. BRUNS.  
Indiana Farmer Boy, Who Has Made Good as Crack Shot.

crack shot is said to have always had a mania for shooting; Lane was champion of the world less than two years and a half after his first practice shot.

A Brookville legend has it that Bruns, "once upon a time," finding his purse not equal to the demands made upon it for ammunition, started in to manufacture his own powder. With the first product of his tedious and careful experiments, he loaded the family musket and marched proudly into the seclusion of the "back lot" for the official test. Laconically, the neighbors tell of the result: "His gun never could be repaired but luckily his face finally was."

Of course, the first gun that the budding champion could really call his own, secured when he was nine years old—was a most wonderful weapon, viewed through the boy's eyes, though his sister says that it was a "cannon-like affair the kick of which necessitated his standing backed up against a tree when

494 out of 500, breaking 283 straight and scoring 683 out of 700 on all targets. This was also the first big evens in which Bruns, in this respect again duplicating the practice of the pistol champion, began the exclusive use of Remington-UMC ammunition. Dating from early in June when he made 1457 150 at Indianapolis, down through a line of high scores, such as 200x 200—99x100 and 286x300 in various state shoots, this newcomer to the limelight finished his season with .9575 per cent at the post-season tournament, giving William Ridley, a veteran trap artist, who shot the same ammunition, a very close run for first place.

Next season's aspirants for high place in the Interstate Association contests will need to reckon most decidedly with this boy of the west who, like J. R. Graham, the Olympic trapshooter, has sprung from between the plow handles to the front rank in one of America's most popular sports.

### NEWS OF COQUILLE.

Coos County Seat Events as Told by the Sentinel.

Little Edwida Rice, granddaughter of T. J. Walker, while playing with a neighbor's little girl, had the front finger of one of her hands completely severed. Dr. Hoag attended the little girl and she is doing nicely.

O. J. Seeley, the well known timber man, left for Portland and other northern ports on the last Breakwater. While there it is understood that he will purchase a new logging locomotive to replace the one demolished in the wreck recently.

The body of William Hodgson, who died at Portland the first of the week, is expected to arrive on the incoming Breakwater and will be interred at one of the local cemeteries. Mrs. Hodgson is a sister of Mrs. Joseph Peart and Mrs. C. Peart of this city and will accompany the remains.

—Merry Christmas—  
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|-------------------------------------|--------------|
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| Cash and Sight Exchange....         | 263,899.96   |
| Total .....                         | \$797,457.09 |
| LIABILITIES.                        |              |
| Capital Stock paid in.....          | \$ 50,000.00 |
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