

# WINTER IN CHICAGO

## Blizzard Rages and One Man Dies From Intense Cold.

Owing to Strikes and Lockouts, Many Cupboards are Bare—Storm Increases, Mercury Falls.

Chicago, Dec. 1.—Old fashioned winter, which has been lurking in the offing for some time, swooped down upon Chicago in earnest today in the shape of a blizzard that sent the population scurrying for shelter. The storm finds thousands out of employment through strikes and other causes, many empty cupboards and fireless grates.

Listed as first victim of the winter, is William Cronin, aged 38, who was found frozen to death before a stove in which there was no fire.

While zero weather was not experienced today, the weather man says it is on the way and will make an extended stay when it arrives. In the Northwest the cold wave is increasing in intensity and advancing eastward rapidly. The British Northwest, Montana and the Dakotas all report below zero weather. High Northwest winds added to the discomfort caused by the drop in temperature.

Today's blizzard was the last kick of a storm which passed over Chicago and which is now sweeping out to sea off the New England coast.

Storm signals were ordered up today on Lakes Michigan and Superior. The cold wave is scheduled to spread to the Southeast and government forecasters say freezing weather will be experienced as far South as the middle of Florida, which probably means the customary destruction of the orange and other crops in the South.

Thousands of winter tourists, who have already moved South, will find the brand of weather there very much the same as that they sought to escape.

In Michigan today train service was demoralized and one line was put out of business. One foot of snow is recorded in some localities.

The Pere Marquette line steamer of Manistee, which left Milwaukee at 9 o'clock last night in a heavy storm, had not arrived at Ludington at 2 p. m. today, although she was due to arrive at 4 a. m.

### HOP MEN WILL COMBINE.

Growers Plan to Eliminate Middleman in Future.

Sacramento—Hop growers will gather here Saturday to organize into an association that will control the prices and eliminate the middleman.

Plans now being discussed are to have this association include growers in all Coast states and in those of the Middle West, so that hops of the country can be controlled in the market and sold by growers direct to users.

H. W. Furman points out that the hop growers have been compelled to sell their hops through the middleman, who paid 9 cents or less than the cost of production, and then disposed of the same hops for 25 cents. Prominent hopgrowers of Sutter, Sonoma, Mendocino, Yuba and Sacramento counties have been invited to join the organization.

Plans now being worked out are to manage the new association along the same lines as that of the almond growers, who have been very successful in forcing buyers to pay them better prices.

### Great Lakes Navigation Closes.

Chicago—Lifelines on Lake Michigan, with common mind, came into their respective stations at midnight Nov. 30, registered their attendance, took off their storm clothing, carefully packed away lifesaving apparatus and the season of life saving duty for this year was terminated except for the stations where men with powerful motor boats will remain all winter. Navigation is now officially closed for the winter.

### Battleships Face Gale.

Cherbourg, France—A fierce gale is raging along the coast and the battleships of the second division of the United States Atlantic fleet have been forced to stand off shore under full pressure. It is understood that an American packet has been sunk and seven men lost. A launch from the battleship Louisiana made a gallant rescue of the crew from the launch of the French armored cruiser Duplex, which was swamped by the heavy seas. Many of the American bluejackets are ashore, unable to reach their ships.

### Father Duncan Very Ill.

Juneau, Alaska—Father William Duncan, head of the Indian village of Metlakatla, is near death, according to news brought by the steamship Humboldt. Father Duncan, who has been in Alaska 40 years, has looked after the Indians in the village for many years. Recently more than half the natives deserted him, going to another district, where they started a new town. The loss of his followers worried him and brought on his illness.

### Real Fire on Canvas.

Pittsburg—Spectators of a moving picture show at Mount Washington, a suburb across the Ohio river, sat spellbound while flames destroyed the big canvas on which the pictures were shown. As if determined to have their nickels' worth of excitement, they calmly awaited the arrival of fire engines and had to be ordered out to make room for the firemen.

### JAIL PALACE FOR FOUR.

Convicted Cattle Kings to Have Jap Chef in Prison.

Omaha — W. G. Comstock, Bartley R. Charles Richards, Charles Jamison and Aquila Triplet, land barons and millionaire cattle kings of Nebraska, were convicted in the Federal court of fencing government land and sentenced to one year in the county jail. After spending a month visiting the various county jails in the state they departed for Hastings. There they will become inmates of the Adams county jail.

The four men are not to be treated like ordinary prisoners. With them they took a Japanese chef, who will do their cooking. They have ordered expensive furniture and carpets sent to the Hastings jail as furnishings for their rooms. In addition they purchased and sent out a large and well selected library. They have subscribed for a number of daily papers and many of the leading magazines. The windows of their rooms have been hung with expensive lace curtains. The floors are carpeted and in a general way, it is said, the cells have the appearance of well appointed club rooms.

### HONDURAS PORTS TAKEN.

Revolutionists Under Bonilla Win Important Points.

San Juan Del Sur, Nicaragua — Advances received from Tegucigalpa state that the Atlantic ports of Honduras and the department of Comayagua, have been captured by revolutionists under the leadership of former president Manuel Bonilla.

Government forces sent to retake the territory joined the enemy.

General Bonilla brought about an unsuccessful revolt against the government of President Davila last summer. Later he sought refuge in Guatemala, from which country he was deported. Recently he was reported to be in New Orleans organizing an expedition which was to attack the Atlantic coast of Honduras. Bonilla's cause was helped somewhat by the rebellion of General Jose Valladares, the governor of the island of Amapala. The latter was recently deposed and came to this country.

### ELGIN BUTTER MEN AT WAR.

"Insurgents" Say Prices Have Been "Fixed" for Years.

Chicago—An "insurgent" movement on the part of Chicago members of the Elgin Butter board has brought into the limelight alleged manipulation of prices by that body, and assures a bitter fight for control at the annual election to be held December 19.

For more than a quarter of a century the quotations of the Elgin board have served as a basis on which butter was bought and sold in practically every part of the United States.

It is charged by the "insurgents" that the butter board is manipulated solely in the interests of a clique that has been in control of the official machinery for years, and that prices are made by the quotation committee with a view to pleasing one butter company.

### Masked Men Rob Mine.

Winnemucca, Nev.—Three masked men who broke into the tunnel of a rich gold mine near here overlooked \$8,000 worth of high grade ore. The robbers broke down four heavy doors at the entrance to the tunnel. Meeting six miners, they made them face the wall. While one of the intruders stood guard, the other two searched for treasure. In their haste they did not notice the rich ore that had already been packed in sacks and was standing in the slope. The identity of the robbers is said to be known.

### Forger Dismisses Appeal.

Jefferson City, Mo. — Dwight Fortner, of St. Louis, under two years' sentence to the penitentiary for forging his name to a \$12,000 check, appeared in the Supreme court with his lawyer, had his appeal dismissed and went to the penitentiary to begin serving his sentence. Since his conviction a year ago, Fortner has been managing a hotel in Eldorado, Ark. He was arrested in Paris after a chase through Central America.

### Polar Trip is Started.

Christ Church, New Zealand—The ship Terra Nova, bearing the British South Polar expedition under the command of Captain Robert F. Scott, has sailed from Port Chalmers for the Antarctic. The Terra Nova sailed from London on June 1 last and gradually worked her way south. Captain Scott, who joined the vessel in New Zealand, hopes to reach the South Pole in December of 1911.

### Nebraska Bourbons Win.

Lincoln, Neb. — The official vote of the November election in Nebraska shows that Aldrich, Republican, for governor, has a plurality of 15,630 over Dahman, Democrat. Every state officer elected is Republican, but the Democrats have a majority in both houses of the legislature.

### Taxicab Strike Settled.

New York—Following a conference between Mayor Gaynor and William H. Ashton, general organizer of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, in the City hall, it was announced that the taxicab strike had been practically settled.

# GENERAL NEWS OF NATIONAL HAPPENINGS

## WILL RESEED 9,000 ACRES.

Forest Service Experts to Finish Work Before Snow Sets In.

Nine thousand acres of burned over timber lands in Oregon and Washington are to be seeded with Norway spruce and Scotch pine, according to an announcement made by J. F. Kimmel, of the national forest service. The seeding is under way now and will be completed before the snows set in.

Most of this work is being done in the Siuslaw forests near Mount Hebo, in Oregon, and in the Olympic forests in Washington. The Hebo district includes the areas of whitened timber which stand on the hills outside of Tillamook and along the road between Tillamook and Portland. This section is to be reseeded and in 15 years much of this timber will be hidden under a new and fast growing growth of commercial trees.

The forest service is in this way reclaiming many thousands of acres in the Northwest each year. Norway spruce and Scotch pine were used largely, as this timber is one of the best for marketing purposes and more nearly adapted to Oregon climatic conditions than any other timber.

A million and a half of year old trees are now in the nurseries in the Columbia forests ready for transplanting to spots where reseeding is impracticable.

## THREATEN HARD TIMES.

Railroads Will Fight Reduction in Freight Rates.

Washington — That the railroads which have demanded freight increases that will amount to \$75,000,000 annually are in league with "big business" to enforce the rates through is a story in circulation here.

The business interests are opposed to regulation such as is proposed by President Taft, and it is said that Wall street will join the railroads in the fight for higher rates.

The club that is to be held over the interstate commerce commission and the country in general is "hard times." Financial depression and panic, it is predicted, will be the outcome if the rate increases are not granted and the business interests let alone. This is said to have been intimated plainly enough to be a Wall street threat. Big business men and railroad officials who have been in Washington during the discussion of the rate question are said to have been very pessimistic in their views for the future financial outlook.

Prosperity seems to have lost its charm, according to the magnates, and the way in which they have said it has been tantamount to an expression of their intention to bring about a financial depression, officials here say.

## Small Farms Increasing.

Rapid settlement of the country adjacent to Bend, Prineville, Lakeview and Silver Lake, Oregon, has caused the national forest service to materially reduce the number of cattle allowed to the big cattlemen on the ranges of the Fremont national forest. The reductions were made by Thomas P. McKenzie, of the department of silviculture of the forest service.

The forest service's effect on the cattle business was shown better here than ever before. Where five years ago there would have probably been bloodshed over the efforts of the small rancher to put his flocks on the range, the forest service solves the delicate problem by reducing slightly the number of cattle the big company is allowed and allowing for the smaller herds of the small rancher. The big cattlemen now see the advisability of submitting to government control of the ranges, and all trouble has been avoided. Mr. McKenzie is a well informed man as regards Central Oregon conditions, and was surprised at the number of farmers in that country.

"The newcomers are what are called small farmers in that country, for they take up farms of from 100 to 320 acres in size," said Mr. McKenzie. "Many of the former large owners of land are either breaking their farms up into small pieces and selling them or selling off most of their land and farming on a smaller scale."

## Asked to Review Land Cases.

Washington—The Supreme court of the United States has been petitioned by Frederick A. Hyde and Joost Schneider to review the judgment of the court of appeals for the District of Columbia whereby Hyde and Schneider were convicted of conspiracy to defraud the government in connection with land deals in California. Although they have been convicted and sentenced, Hyde and Schneider have not served their terms.

## Oklahoma Has 1,857,155 People.

Washington—The population of the state of Oklahoma is 1,857,155, according to statistics of the 13th census made public by Director Durand. This is an increase of 242,978, or 17.2 per cent over 1,414,177 in 1907.

## Illinois' Population 5,638,591.

Washington—The population of the state of Illinois is 5,638,591, according to the census bureau. The increase is 817,041, or 18.9 per cent. At the present apportionment, Illinois would gain four congressmen.

## ESTIMATES ARE MADE.

Columbia River Allowed \$1,725,000; Others Fare Well.

Washington—Estimates of the cost of river and harbor improvements throughout the United States for the year to end July 1, 1912, contained in the annual report of General Bixby, chief of army engineers, shows a total of \$22,227,361.

In his report General Bixby selects 211 projects as worthy of congressional appropriations. Among these recommendations are:

Ohio river, \$3,550,000.

Mississippi river, \$3,400,000.

Columbia river above Celilo falls to Snake river, \$25,000.

Columbia river, Celilo falls to Dalles rapids, \$600,000.

Columbia river below Portland, \$150,000.

Columbia river mouth, \$950,000.

Los Angeles harbor, \$270,000.

Ocean front, near San Luis Obispo, Cal., \$110,000.

San Francisco harbor, \$30,000.

Oakland harbor, \$150,000.

Eureka, Cal., harbor, \$185,000.

Grays Harbor (Wash.), \$300,000.

Snohomish river, \$75,000.

San Joaquin river, \$25,000.

Coos Bay harbor \$40,000.

Appropriations for the Sacramento river were not recommended, as the report of engineers had not yet been completed.

The lakes to the gulf waterway project is not mentioned in the report.

That the rivers and harbors recommendations may precipitate a fight against President Taft's plan to eliminate the "pork barrel" was intimated by the politicians. It is predicted that soon after congress convenes certain congressmen will frame a rivers and harbors bill carrying about \$30,000,000 in appropriations. With the usual additions to early estimates, it is likely that such a bill would carry between \$40,000,000 and \$50,000,000 in the aggregate.

The politicians base their prediction on the president's action at the time he signed a measure carrying \$50,000,000 for the same purpose. At that time he sent a message to congress which said:

"I once reached a conclusion that it was my duty to interpose a veto in order, if possible, to secure a change of method of framing these bills. Subsequent consideration has altered my view of my duty."

The president withheld his veto because for three years there had been no rivers and harbors appropriations and had he failed to sign the measure, government engineers would have been seriously handicapped.

The White House idea is embodied in General Bixby's recommendations, that money should be set aside for the prompt completion of more important projects, and that scattering appropriations for projects which have been dragging along for years should be withheld.

Senator Burton staunchly supports the president and is prepared to make a strong fight against piecemeal appropriations, such as legislators whose political lives depend on the government appropriations would introduce. The same legislators are placed in the predicament of organizing a fight to pass a "pork barrel" bill over the veto of the president.

## YEAR IS BIG FOR LIQUOR.

Tobacco Also Furnishes Record Government Revenue.

Washington—The United States has just passed through a banner year for drinks, smokes and oleomargarine. Here is the nation's record for the 12 months ended on June 30, as it shows in the figures of the internal revenue bureau:

Of distilled spirits, 163,000,000 gallons, 30,000,000 gallons more than the year before.

Of fermented liquors, 59,485,111 barrels, an increase of 3,000,000.

Of cigars, 7,600,000,000, or 160,000,000 more than 1909.

Of cigarettes, 6,830,000,000, an increase of 1,000,000,000.

Of plug, fine cut, cube cut, granulated or sliced smoking or chewing tobacco or snuff, 402,000,000 pounds, 4,000,000 more than the year before.

Of oleomargarine, 141,862,282 pounds, 50,000,000 pounds increase.

Illicit distilling and manufacturing of moonshine whisky is on the increase "especially," the bureau says, "where there are state-wide prohibition laws."

The internal revenue receipts on all these things—certain other things, such as playing cards and mixed flour—amounted to more than \$289,000,000.

## Army is in Need of Men.

Los Angeles—Captain Charles T. Elliott, U. S. retired, in charge of the recruiting office here, has received telegraphic notice from the secretary of war that the army is in need of recruits in large numbers and he is directed to take action at once to increase the productiveness of his recruiting district, comprising Southern California, by establishing as many branch offices as he can care for. Three new stations will be established.

## Lorimer Report Due Soon.

Washington—Senator Burrows, of Michigan, chairman of the senate committee on privileges and elections, said that the sub-committee that investigated in Chicago the charges against Senator Lorimer, of Illinois, would make a full report to the committee immediately after New Year's.

## WEDDING CAKES FOR RENT

Showy Confections May Be Hired for About \$3 Each and Are Re-iced After Each Occasion.

There was something wrong with the cake, the baker said; it looked all right and it smelled all right, but his artistic sense told him it would not taste all right.

"Then fix it up with an extra coat of icing and we will keep it for a renter," said the proprietor.

"Who in the world would rent a cake?" some one asked.

"Wedding parties," said he. "They want a big cake in the center of the table for show, but a cake of that size good enough for a wedding would cost more than they can afford to pay, so they order fine cake put up in individual boxes for the guests and use the bride's cake just as an ornament. They don't buy it, they rent it. Sometimes a cake is rented a dozen different times. After each wedding it is freshened up with a new coat of icing and looks as good as new for the next occasion. A good renter fetches about \$3 a wedding."

## ASK THE SALVATION ARMY

That is What Many Do When They Want Anything, Even a Bonnet for the Horse.

A teamster who needed a bonnet for his scrawny horse applied to the Salvation Army.

"Why did you go to them for such a thing as that?" someone asked.

"Because I knew they had them," he said. "I saw one of their wagons go down the street with two strings of horses' bonnets stretched from the top of the cover to the tailgate, so I hustled down and asked for one before they were all gone."

"His case is typical of hundreds of others," said an army worker. "Our collection wagons are veritable curiosity shops on wheels. Household goods and clothing comprise the bulk of the load, but it is topped off by curious odds and ends. Penurious or poverty-stricken souls keep an eye on the most conspicuous contributions and when they see anything they want they simply follow the wagon down to headquarters and ask for it."

## "Con" Knew His Duty as Usher.

The congregation of a certain church is not "exclusive," but some of its members were surprised at the appointment of a new usher. They said that he might be a very good young man, but he had not belonged very long to the church, and, besides, it seemed unlikely that a street car conductor would suit the etiquette of a house of worship. But the trustees said that he had been chosen for that very reason, adding: "We need a man of that kind to deal with the end seat hog. He is a greater nuisance in the church than in the cars. Early in the service he plants himself at the aisle end of a free pew and later comers who are ushered into that pew fall all over him taking their places. It takes a man with grit to make him move along. This former conductor has the grit, and he has tact gained from experience. That is why we made him usher."

## Odd Wireless Telephone.

Writing from German Africa, a tourist says: "We found here in the dense forest, among people who know nothing of modern scientific discoveries, a good and practical wireless telephone. The natives have for the purposes of ceremony, peaceful and warlike, drums of various dimensions made of wood, and these, when beaten, emit sounds of about an octave in range. Aside from the ceremonies the drums are used also as a means of communication. We had a proof of it one day. Our caravan was ready to start when our head servant stopped suddenly in his work, listened intently and then gave unmistakable signs of pleasure. We learned later that the indistinct sounds conveyed to him the news that a boy had been born to his brother in a neighboring village."

## No Such Goats Now.

They must have had some pretty savage goats in Connecticut a hundred years ago. Under an old law if a boy was driving a goat along a highway and they met a traveler and the goat jumped on to the traveler and threw him down and bit him and otherwise harmed him, that boy could be sent to jail for three months and his father sued for damages.

## The Goat.

Seymour—I don't believe that Wallman has a single enemy among all his neighbors; every one of them speaks of him as if he were the best man in the world.

Ashley—Well, I guess that's right; but Wallman has to pay pretty high for their good opinion; every year he has to invest in a new lawnmower.

## A Terrible Creature.

"Father," said the small boy, "is there any animal more terrible than a lion?"

"Yes, my son; a cow. If she isn't kicking you in the neck or pursuing you over the pasture to hook you, she's trying to send germs around to your house in the milk."

## MADE WITH CHEESE

### RECIPE FOR PARMESAN CHEESE NOODLES.

Melt Two Ounces of Butter, One-Half Cup of Flour, Measure of Milk, Three Eggs and Four Ounces of the Parmesan.

Noodles With Parmesan Cheese.—Put two ounces of butter into a saucepan on a hot stove, and when melted mix in one and a half ounces of flour, a little salt, a little red pepper and a cupful of milk. Work these into a firm paste, add three eggs and four ounces of grated cheese. Have ready a saucepan of boiling water. Take the mixture up in small quantities in a spoon and drop into the water. Boil for a quarter of an hour. Take out, drain, place the noodles on a hot dish and serve with a rich brown sauce.

Risotto.—Mix together in a stewpan over the fire a heaping tablespoonful of butter and the same of flour. When mixed put in a finely chopped onion and fry until browned. Wash a fourth of a pound of rice in several waters, drain and add to the onion. On this pour stock and boil until each grain is cooked. Shake the stewpan occasionally, but do not stir with a spoon. When cooked season to taste with pepper and salt and strain in a tablespoonful of lemon juice. Turn upon a hot dish, strew some grated Parmesan cheese over it and serve immediately.

Almond Cookies.—Rub together six ounces of butter and half a pound of flour. Add two ounces of sifted sugar, two ounces of pounded sweet almonds and the beaten yolk of an egg. Put the paste aside for an hour, then pour into a cake tin and bake for a quarter of an hour. When done remove from the tin, divide the cake in half; spread one-half with jelly and lay the other half on top; cut with a sharp knife into strips, dust with sugar and arrange in pyramidal form on a glass dish.

### Cleaning Cretonnes.

Now that cretonne and chintz are used so universally about the house this cleaning suggestion should be invaluable, as it can be adopted in the home so easily. Take one pound of rice and boil it in a gallon of water until the rice is quite soft. Now strain off about one quart of the milky water in a separate vessel, and add to it a piece of gum arabic about the size of a small egg. This to be set aside and used for starch later on. To the remainder of the water and rice add enough warm water to wash the curtains in. Instead of soap rub the curtains with a handful of boiled rice and "souse" the cretonne up and down many times. Rinse in fair water, and finally starch with the water as prepared above. The cretonne or chintz material should be ironed when partly dry (not allowed to dry and then sprinkled), and a medium hot iron should be used. If this method is followed the hangings will be like new.

### Roast Breast of Veal.

Get two pounds of the breast even if there is to be no company, for it can be eaten cold the next day. Roll out the long narrow piece and fill it with a stuffing of dry, stale white bread, and chopped pimentos, seasoned with cayenne and salt. Mix the mass together with olive oil, put in a raw beaten egg and lay the dressing on the veal, shaping this into a roll. Skewer or tie with cords and dredge with flour, pouring over a little olive oil to start the roasting if there is little fat.

This must be thoroughly done to be perfect, and when it is served the carver cuts a round slice, putting the stuffing beside it and covering the two with the gravy.

### Pot Roast.

Wipe four pounds of beef from the rump or best part of the round. Put it into a hot frying pan and sear all sides. Put it then into pot with two cups of water and simmer gently. If the water boils away too much add just enough more to keep it from burning. Have it covered closely, serve with a garnish of boiled carrots. Thicken with a little flour (the gravy left), wet with a little water, let it boil up a few minutes and serve in a gravy boat.

### Ham Pattie.

Make a cream sauce of one tablespoon of butter, one tablespoon flour, one cup milk. Boil eggs hard and drop. Place in pudding dish a layer of chopped boiled ham, then a layer of eggs moistened with the cream sauce. Repeat until the dish is full, then cover with breadcrumbs and dot with bits of butter and bake in oven a few minutes.

### Graham Mush.

Mix one-half a cup of graham flour and one-half a teaspoonful of salt; make it into a thin, smooth paste with a little cold water; stir in into one pint of boiling water; cook 20 minutes, stirring often; serve with cream.

### Gluten Gems.

Two cups of gluten, one-half teaspoonful salt, two teaspoonfuls baking powder, two tablespoonfuls sugar, one egg, two cups of water or milk; bake in very hot buttered gem pans in a hot oven half an hour.