

**LOONEY GUILTY,  
JURY DECIDES**

Publisher Convicted of Slaying Man.

*By United Press*  
GALESBURG, Ill., Dec. 23.—John H. Looney, alleged vice lord of Rock Island, today was found guilty of the murder of William Gabel, former Rock Island saloon keeper.

The verdict provided for a penalty of fourteen years in prison.

Looney has been the object of court attacks for a number of years, the State contending that he was responsible for many crimes in the territory around Rock Island, Mo., Ill., and Davenport, Iowa.

As alleged lord of vice and gambling in Rock Island's underworld and through the pages of his obscure weekly newspaper, Looney was accused of collecting duty from many citizens whom he entrapped in questionable transactions. His newspaper, the prosecution has always contended, was merely a means for blackmail.

**CHILLY AT THE BRIDGES**

Mayor Says Future Dedications Will Be Held in Summer.

All bridge dedicating of the future will be held in the good old summer time.

Mayor Shank made this statement today. He said it was occasioned by his attempt to dedicate the Oliver Ave. and Kentucky Ave. bridges over White River Tuesday when common sense forestalled oratory in the chilling breezes.

But the Police and Firemen's Band braved the winter, marching across the bridges, followed by twenty-five vehicles.

The Kentucky Ave. bridge cost \$649,228.10 and the Oliver Ave. structure \$504,884.12.

**NEAR PANIC IN CHURCH**

Roof Fired During Christmas Entertainment.

*By Times Special*  
BURL OAK, Ind., Dec. 23.—A crowd of 250 at the Church of God here was thrown into a near panic when a spark from the chimney set fire to the roof of the structure while a Christmas entertainment was being held. Culver fire department was called.**SISTER DIES IN CRASH***By United Press*  
MUNCIE, Ind., Dec. 23.—An auto driven by Roy Shelton of Daleville, was struck by a switch engine at a crossing near here Tuesday night, killing his sister, Mrs. Florence Pomeroy, 30. Shelton escaped with minor injuries.**Cuticura Soap**Pure and Wholesome  
Keeps The Skin Clear  
Soothes, Ointment, Talcum sold everywhere.**CLOTHING ON CREDIT**ASKIN & MARINE CO.  
127 W. WASHINGTON ST.**For Furniture***Feeley's*  
128-130 W. Washington St.**AUTO LITE**  
FORD IGNITION  
Smoother Running—Less Gasoline  
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H. T. ELECTRIC CO.  
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The Howard Center  
of Indianapolis  
**BALDWIN PIANO CO.**  
55-57 MONUMENT CIRCLE  
The Circle Theater  
is 2 Doors East**Buy Your Tires at**  
**Elkin Brothers**  
We Sell the Best for Less  
604 N. Ill. Circle 2116**PEARSON PIANO COMPANY**  
Indiana's Largest and Most Complete Music Store  
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One Price to Everybody**BATTERIES**  
Built of highest grade material; rubber box; guaranteed fully one year. 6-11 only \$9.50 and your old battery.  
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201 N. Cap. Ave. Circle 6945**Payment in 12 Months**  
IS CONSIDERED THE SAME AS CASH AT  
**CENTURY FURNITURE COMPANY**  
202 S. MERIDIAN**LOWEST PRICES**  
—ON—  
TIRES, TUBES and  
ACCESSORIES**GUARANTEE**  
TIRE & RUBBER CO.  
211-213 S. Illinois St.  
938-942 Virginia Ave.Preacher Accused  
as 'Love Thief'

Rev. Edgar Mullins

Rev. Edgar Mullins of Ft. Wayne, Ind., who has directed a series of sermons against the sin of "petting parties," has been sued for \$25,000 by Howard H. Smith, who charges the pastor stole the love of Mrs. Smith.

Miss Woodstock and McCord are conscious while Miss Forte is conscious at intervals.

**THREE CHILDREN  
DIE IN PANIC**Christmas Party Guests  
Stampede After Crash.*By Times Special*  
ERIE, Pa., Dec. 22.—Erie's holiday cheer was saddened today by the death of three little children, trampled to death as a Christmas party for 3,000 children became a madhouse of terror.

Police and firemen had started clearing congested aisles at an arena where the party was progressing. As the police charged up the aisle, a bench broke with a loud crash, and hundreds of children made for the exits. A hundred adults were unable to stem their struggle toward the doors.

**IMPROVEMENT IS SLIGHT**

Slight improvement was noted today in the conditions of Robert McCordle, 1655 Park Ave.; Miss Dorothy Woodstock, 2541 Shelby St. and Miss Catherine Forte, 1103 E. Washington St., in city hospital, suffering from injuries received early Friday when the auto in which they were riding with Norman Barthel crashed into a street car at Ohio and Illinois Sts. Barthel was killed.

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**NEW YORK STATE GAINS**

Population Fixed at 11,162,151, an Increase of 776,924.

*By United Press*  
ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 23.—New York State's population today was fixed at 11,162,151, a gain of 776,924 in the last five years, Mrs. Florence Knapp, of the secretary of State's census bureau showed in reports compiled today.

Of this population New York City supplies 5,873,356 a five-year growth of 253,308, the Federal census of 1920 having shown 5,620,044.

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Special Holiday Sailings  
For Christmas & New Year's  
Dec. 24 and 29  
Sailings Twice Weekly  
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Until 9 P. M.**Norman's**

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**1/2 PRICE 1/2**

Santa has made Norman's his headquarters for dolls. Vast assortment of character dolls, mama dolls, lullaby dolls, etc.

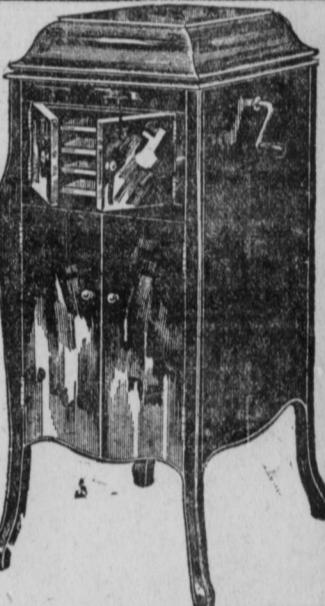
Mama Doll  
**\$1.39**  
This doll, like picture, is 27 inches high and is a remarkable offer at this price.

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A handsome set of Bluebird Dishes given with every cash or credit purchase of \$15.00 or over, without any extra cost.

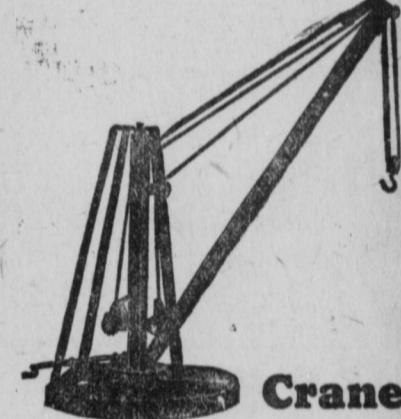
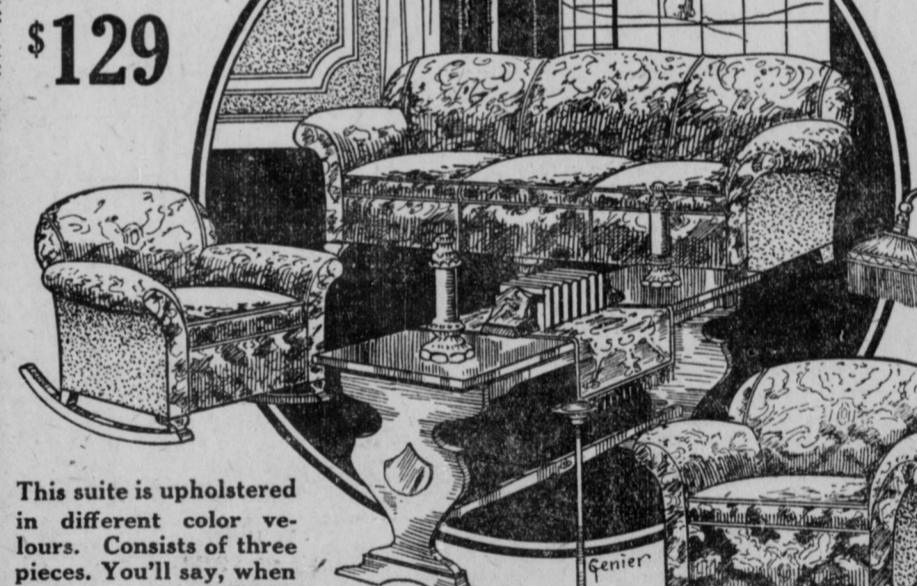
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For many years Norman's have been recognized as talking machine headquarters. See our mahogany and oak finished machines. Thursday, which has been reduced for fast Xmas selling. Play all disc records. Priced for tomorrow, special at—

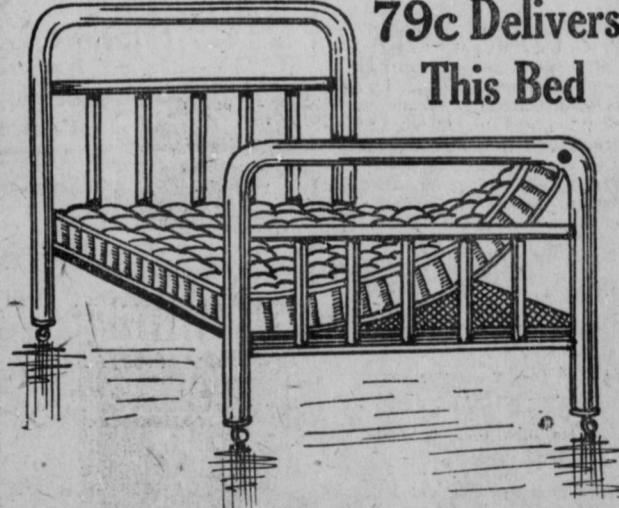
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Good  
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Values.**For Mother!****Comfortable  
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Plush or Ribbon Trim, Good Leather Soles and Rubber Heels.

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