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The New Chamber of Commerce Secretary

The acceptance of the post of secretary of the
Chamber of Commerce by W. A. Milne, of Mun-
cie, meets with the approval of those who have
been energetically working for the organization
and of those who heard him speak here some
time ago.

He will give to the new organization the ad-
vantages of his wide training and his more recent
experience in Muncie, where he rehabilitated a
commercial club, making it one of the most active
in Indiana.

The thought was general in the city, after his
appearance recently, that Mr. Milne would be an
ideal man for the position of secretary. This
opinion was heard on all sides. The organizers
of the Chamber of Commerce immediately began
conferences with Mr. Milne for the purpose of
obtaining his services, finally succeeding in
bringing him to Richmond.

The advent of Mr. Milne by the first of the
new year will accelerate interest in the Chamber
of Commerce and convince a number of skeptics
that the organization is not of a mushroom vari-
ety but is a hardy and robust addition to the city
of Richmond.

Under Mr. Milne's direction the Chamber of
Commerce will begin to function quickly and to
accomplish the purposes for which it was called
into being. An able secretary to direct the work

Good Evening
By Roy K. Moulton

Fashions in suiting change like
fashions in everything else. People
used to throw themselves into Central
Park lake. Now all a person has to
do is to sit down on a park bench for
fifteen or twenty minutes and some
accommodating highwayman steps up
softly from behind and cloots him over
the bally, blawsted crummet. We lead
the world in labor-saving improvements.

Owing to the war, there is a scarcity
of pastry bakers, says a report, and
there will be a shortage of pastry. But
there is enough left in the windows
along Broadway to last the country
several years. Some of the pink and
green pieces seem doomed to stay
there forever.

The tough-luck chauffeur was the
one who took the car out for a joy
ride and ran over the owner.

Now we have the tough-luck burglar.
He jumped out of a fourth floor
window and landed on a policeman.

Dr. Copeland predicts a flu epi-
demic for the first of the year. He
might save some of us a lot of
trouble if he would stage this epidemic
before Christmas.

The Turks at least have patience.
They have been killing Armenians for
hundreds of years, but there are more
now than ever.

Of course the article you are going
to give the wife for Christmas is
Article X-X being the unknown
quantity.

Somebody stole a bag full of diplo-
mats' mail and opened every letter in
a New York hotel room. Our idea of
nothing to read is a diplomat's corre-
spondence. As Rube might say, it
doesn't mean anything.

You may consider that you have
been unusually lucky. Probably no
body has ever sold you the Hope
diamond.

The league begins to look more like
a holey alliance.

Dinner Stories

A pretty girl at an evening party
was bantering a genial bachelor on
his reasons for remaining single.

"No-o, I never was exactly dis-
appointed in love," he said. "I was
what you might call disengaged. You
see, when I was very young I became
enamored of a young lady of my
acquaintance. I was mortally afraid
to tell her of my feelings, but at length
I screwed up my courage to the pro-
posing point. I said: 'Let's get mar-
ried.' And she said, 'Why who'd have
us?'"

They were very young and very
newly wed. And they had a garden.
"Angelica, darling," said the youth-
ful husband, "as I was passing
through the garden I saw some as-
paragus ready for cooking. Perhaps
you'd like to go and gather the first
fruit of the season yourself?"

She would love to, but she didn't
want to let on. If she went alone she
might commit some egregious blunder.

"I tell you what, Edwin," exclaimed
the girl wife enthusiastically, "we'll
go out together. You shall pluck and
I will hold the ladder."

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FRANCE AWARDS
AMERICAN WOMAN
HIGHEST TRIBUTERippling Rhymes
By WALT MASON

ANOTHER VOW.
For long, long months we've run
amuck, with spend-thrifts we have
trotted, and eagerly blew in the buck,
and all sane counsels swatted. And
now approaches New Year's Day,
whereon we make new pledges, and
call down murrains (what are they?)
or anyone who hedges. Until the
Christmas season drifts, amuck we'll
still be running, for we must blow our-
selves for gifts, for doodads cute and
cunning. But when the New Year's
Day arrives, this folly let's be ending,
let's renovate our wasted lives, and
cut out foolish spending. It's time we
were in training now, for future self-
denial, for framing up a solemn vow
that we'll give thrif a trial. The old
year, shaken, bent and white, goes
out by easy stages; the New Year's
coming—start it right, and pickle half
your wages! The vows we made in
other years would do for idle friskers;
we swore we'd cut out cards and
beers and cigarettes and whiskers. But
we are facing sterner times; retrench-
ment is the motto; the watchword
now is, "Salt the dimes," and you'll
agree we'd ought to. The old year,
in its going, tells a tale of money-
burning; the New Year's coming,
wearing bells—then new leaves let's
be turning!

Todav's Talk
By George Matthew Adams

THE LITTLE TOWN.
There is a quaint fascination to the
little town. Something akin to that
of a tiny baby. Both look helpless.
But neither seems to be very much
winkled up over worry.

I was born in a little town. You
can now almost throw a stone across
its broadest part.

I like little towns. They are so
human and understandable. They are
not cruel and careless and selfish, as
are so many of the great cities.

Last summer I drove through dozens
of these little towns that I love. In
my imagination I tossed tender touches
of affection to the old broken down
houses. To the neatly kept yards of
real homes, a bade a smile of good
will. There were many children play-
ing among the flowers. And just outside
of town, cows grazed at the grass
and hewed their buds along happy
streams.

The little town is a sacred shrine in
the hearts of millions who now love
to think of waking up in its beautiful
sunshine and of hearing its church
bells—and of those who "knew every-
body in town."

I would rather have lived in a little
town, and know the glories of "shin-
ing" than to have been born in the
lap of the greatest city in the world—
and have become its mayor!

Only as we experience the beauty
and honest deep bred in small and
simple things are we able to grasp
the great meanings hidden in great
things.

The little towns are what make a
nation great.

Shanghai is Bidding For
the Woman's Conclave

(By Associated Press)

SHANGHAI, Dec. 18.—The 400 or
more American women who compose
the American Woman's Club of Shang-
hai are making every effort to bring
to Shanghai the next international
meeting of the General Federation of
Women's Clubs in 1922.

At the recent biennial convention of
the Federation of Women's Clubs in
Des Moines, Ia., the invitation to hold
the next meeting in Shanghai was ex-
tended from the American Woman's Club
of Shanghai by its delegate, Mrs.
Charles S. Lobingier, wife of Judge
Lobingier of the United States Court
for China. On her return to Shanghai,
Mrs. Lobingier reported that Chicago
was the only other competitor for the
1922 meeting and said there was some
likelihood that it would be held in
Shanghai.

Ohio News Flashes

HAMILTON.—Ambrose Joyce, 25
years old, truck driver for Schmidt
Brothers, has been released on \$1,000
bond pending the outcome of injuries
received by Miss Hazel Schwab, who
was struck by a truck driven by Joyce.

WELLSVILLE—Hearing of the case
of Police Chief John Riel, suspended
by Mayor George D. Ingram, on the
charges of incompetency and insub-
ordination, has been brought to a close.
Riel not only denied the charges but
demanded the trial. Testimony that
gambling and other law violations
were rampant in Wellsville, was off-
ered at the hearing.

COLUMBUS.—Complaint against all
steam and interurban railroads operat-
ing in the state, has been filed by the
Ohio Dairy Products Association. They
allege that the shipping system now
in vogue is causing great financial loss
to shippers of milk and cream. They
ask that roads be required to issue
the shipper a uniform bill of lading
both on full and empty cans.

Middletown.—Samuel K. Hughes,
Butler county former, has started a
movement to send a cargo of corn and
wheat to Central Europe. He has offered
100 bushels of corn as a beginning
and is seeking the organization of
committees in every municipality and
township in the county.

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of a civic club is a valuable boon. Richmond is
fortunate in obtaining the services of a man with
the training and experience of Mr. Milne.

Take a Child Into Your Home Over
Christmas

A resident of a nearby town has asked for the
presence of a poor child in her home during the
Christmas holiday in order that its heart might
be filled with gladness and experience the cheer
and blessed comforts of the holiday.

This woman writes that she has no children
in her home and would like to take care of a child.
who otherwise would have no Christmas pres-
ents, during the holidays.

This is a fine spirit and one that proves that
the principle of love still burns brightly in the
hearts of many persons in our community. It is
a manifestation of love that might well be imitated
in hundreds of homes where there are no
children to show their happiness over the atten-
tion and care which adults shower upon little
ones at Christmas time.

Scores of children in this community and
elsewhere, who have lost father or mother, and
whose enjoyment of the holiday will be impaired
by the loss, could be made happy by a visit in a
family anxious to communicate to unfortunate
ones a share of the happiness which they them-
selves experience year in and out.

Not only will the child derive infinite pleasure
from the visit, but the family itself will enjoy

a pardonable amount of satisfaction over the
good deed which it has performed. Both the re-
cipient and the giver of this kind of Christmas
joy will long remember the visit of the unfortu-
nate child.

Inquiry at the Social Service Bureau elicited
the information that the bureau will be able to
provide children for families that want to bestow
love and kindness upon a little one.

Mrs. B. S. L.—Who is Vachel Lindsay?
—Vachel Lindsay of Illinois, an
American poet who has received wide
and favorable comment, first drew atten-
tion from reliable quarters less
than eight years ago with an unusual
poem entitled, "General William
Booth Enters Heaven." When the au-
thor undertook to explain just what he
was aiming at, after the poem had re-
ceived consideration from all sides, it
was apparent that he was trying to
restore poetry to its ancient position
as a spoken art.

That he might accomplish this aim
Mr. Lindsay has done many things pec-
uliar to the modern day poet. In order
to be thoroughly familiar with the
most minute detail of the life about
which he writes, he has tramped over
a good part of the United States. His
first tour was through the southern
territory. In 1912 he walked from Illinois
to New Mexico, distributing
"rhymes" and speaking in behalf of
"The Gospel of Beauty" and pausing
along the way to observe something
of the variegated life encountered.

He was born Nov. 10, 1879, at
Springfield, Ill. He finished the high
school there and then attended Hiram
college. From there he went to Chi-
cago, then to New York, studying art.
He is the author of "Handy Guide
to Elegans," "General William
Booth Enters Heaven," "Adventures While
Preaching the Gospel of Beauty,"
"The Congo and Other Poems," "The
Art of the Moving Picture" and others.
Inquirer: Where was Maj. Gen. Leon-
ard Wood born?—At Winchester, N.
H.

Reader—Who was President Taft's
secretary?—Charles D. Hilles.

Readers may obtain answer to
questions by writing the Palladium
Questions and Answers department.
All questions should be written plainly
and briefly. Answers will be given
briefly.

HARDING'S SENATE MATES WILL HELP PLAN HIS INAUGURAL



The senate inaugural committee: Senator Nelson, left; Senator Knox, center, and Senator Overman. Inset is of Representative Joe Cannon, head of the house committee.

Three of the — with whom
Harding labored in the senate
will help formulate plans for the
inauguration of the new chief
executive. The inaugural com-
mittee is a joint one composed of
three senators and three repre-
sentatives, appointed by Vice
President Marshall and Speaker
Gillett. The senate group
consists of Senators Nelson of
Minnesota, Philander Knox of
Pennsylvania and Overman of
North Carolina. The house com-
mittee consists of Representa-
tives Joe Cannon of Illinois,
Reavis of Nebraska and Rucker of
Missouri. Senator Overman and
Representative Rucker are
Democrats; the others are Re-
publicans.

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Paul R. Jordan, of the Amateur Ath-
letic Union, has asked the Legion to
urge all local posts to use only ama-
teur players on their teams, and the
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