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Here is shop talk tip to the newspaper publishers. If we were sufficiently interested we would take it up with each of the newspapers by correspondence; but we don't care to do that. But what we are after is to ask the newspapers why they should allow themselves and the public they serve to be victimized by so-called publicity bureaus. The "publicity bureau" is built mainly on more or less knowledge of the inside working of a newspaper office and a certain amount of cheek. They are operated mainly by exporters and editors who have failed in business largely because they were never able to get a true conception of legitimate newspapering. The thing works like this: An individual or group of individuals desiring publicity for propaganda work, and finding that a large per cent. of newspapers cannot be worked for free advertising in that way, goes to one of the publicity bureaus and pays the manager a lump sum to work the newspapers. The manager of the bureau puts the stuff desired into proper shape, and by the help of a multigraph or some other means of making as many duplicate copies as desired, mails the stuff out to all the newspapers. Some use the stuff and some don't; but there is generally enough users for the purpose of the "publicity bureau," and thus the newspapers are beaten out of a lot of free advertising. It is the publisher who pays the bills for typesetting, paper, printing etc., and the publicity bureau that collects the pay. No really competent newspaper publisher is going to stand for this kind of thing. He must realize that his success as a publisher depends on his ability to himself edit his newspaper and give his subscribers value received. He will certainly never get anywhere through allowing himself to be ridden by the so-called "publicity bureaus."—York Enquirer

Government officials have decided upon the adoption of a plan under which all incoming foreign vessels will be met out at sea and searched for liquor.

Homicides in the United States during 1920 totalled approximately 3,000 a decrease of 500 from the 1919 record; according to a computation by Frederick I. Hoffman, third vice president and statistician of the Prudential Life Insurance Company of America. The figures made public through The Spectator, showed Memphis, Tenn. still in the lead with a killing record of 614 persons for every 100,000 of population. The safest of thirty-one cities for which figures were tabulated was Rochester, N. Y., where the rate was but 1.2 for every 100,000. In general the tables showed that southern states, with large negro populations had the highest homicide rate and that the proportion of negroes slain was from three and a half to seven times that of whites. The average was slightly in excess of four to one. Tabulations for the period 1915-1919 grouped geographically, showed the New England states to be most law-abiding so far as homicide was concerned, with a rate of 2.8 for each 100,000. The southern group had the highest rate, 10.8, and the middle Atlantic group was 4.7. Central Atlantic States, Rocky Mountain states, 9.4 and the western states, 9.25. Of the largest cities Boston had the lowest rate, 2.7. New York was next with 2.9. Philadelphia was 10.2, San Francisco 7.6, Philadelphia 8.2, St. Louis 12.0 and Cleveland 12.5.

One of the most pathetic stories in the world is that of a woman who has never learned to work. Quite true. Men and women suffer a variety of misfortune, but none is more cruel than to never have learned how to work. In a world of busy people there is no place for such a man. He is a parasite, a burden and a burden. He knows neither pride nor hope. He is of no consequence to himself nor to the world. One may pray to be delivered from the tragedy of such misfortune.

**Killed in Kansas.** (From The Kansas City Star) An Emporia hunter has killed a bird which seems to be a combination of duck, goose and buzz saw, being the size of a goose, having the appearance of a snail's foot, and boasting a saw-tooth bill. Without doubt it is the well-known carpenter bird which was common in the district south of Emporia in the days of our youth. A closer inspection will reveal that it has a hammer-shaped head and nails on its toes. It saws boards with its bill for its nest and makes them together, and goes on strike during the busy season.

With The Advertisers

The successful shopper is usually the well informed reader of The Chronicle—the reader of its news and its news advertisements—and the one that will profit by them. As will be seen again this week is the display of Schlosburg, the man who persistently advertises regardless of the boll weevil and so-called hard times. And he gets the crowd and the money from somewhere, as those who have noticed his store during the past several weeks say. On his several trips north this season, Mr. Schlosburg bought large stocks for cash and at further discount, and he gives this as his reason for having such values to offer. Mr. Leon H. Schlosburg has recently been taken into the firm and with his father agrees that the way to get the business is by newspaper advertising and then to back up what you put in print. The Mens' Shop, who at all times, carry the latest in mens wear are at this holiday season, especially well stocked and take advantage of the columns of this paper in suggesting the gift practical.

And what is nicer or more lasting than jewelry for a Yuletide gift? Read Blackwell's ad and partly solve your shopping list.

We just mention here a few of the many ads carried this week, but suggest that you read them every one, there's a direct message there for you.—Read the advertisements!

HERE AND THERE

Short News Stories Gathered From All Sources.

Representatives of 35,000 maintenance of way and shop laborers throughout the country, voted New York Sunday not to accept wage reductions proposed by the railroads, but to ask for 17 per cent. increase at the meeting of the railroad labor board on December 19th.

In order to better fight against burglars and crooks the city of Greenville has ordered the lighting of all back alleys.

Because of family troubles J. M. Davis killed his brother-in-law, Elmer P. Jones in the arms of his mother at Macon, Ga., last Sunday. Mrs. Jones says that Davis fired while she was begging him not to shoot.

Hardin M. Crawford, alleged bootlegger was killed at Anderson Saturday night by Jallor Rogers. Rogers approached a car in which he thought Crawford was carrying whisky. Crawford fired striking Rogers in the neck. Rogers came back with two quick shots, both of them taking effect, one of them in Crawford's ear. Crawford was killed instantly. There were two kegs of whisky in Crawford's car, twenty gallons in all. The shooting occurred near the Poole farm where a quantity of liquor had recently been found in a well.

B. Hart Moss, prominent lawyer of Orangeburg broke his leg at St. George, Saturday night when returning from attending one of the sessions of the South Carolina Methodist conference in that city. He fell off a narrow sidewalk into a ditch.

The enrollment of Clemson College has reached 914. Anderson county has a total of 83 students being far in the lead; Greenville is second with 53; while Orange has 53. York county has 29 boys at Clemson.

C. D. Fortner has been appointed prohibition officer for the Spartanburg county. He was a representative in the general assembly from Spartanburg county until 1911 when he was nominated for railroad commissioner of the Blue Ridge and was badly defeated.

The state highway commission has announced that a contract of 1922 portable house plates will be delivered in Columbia by December 15. The houses are to be distributed by 1000 January 1 and February 1.

South Carolina has already set aside approximately \$1,200,000 of federal aid from the government this year. The figure above all the amount collected from 1917 to 1920. Figures of the office of the highway department in Columbia show that during the past three years and the months for this year a total of \$2,977,000 has been received in Federal aid by this state.

Mrs. Elizabeth W. Alston, Pringle, author of "The Woman Rice Planter" and other novels, died at her home at Plantersville, near Georgetown early Monday morning. She was a daughter of the late Governor Alston of South Carolina.

Overdrawn Bank Accounts.

Among the unpleasant things of life is to accept a check in payment of an account and then have the check turned down by the bank. We have never seen any excuse for such acts. It is much better to be honest with your creditor and tell him that you haven't the money just at that time than to give a check that the bank will not pay.

The practice is unbusinesslike, and a man's credit is injured when one of his checks is turned down. Don't overdraw your account.

CARVES \$ ON CHURCH

Architect Plays Joke When He Builds St. Thomas', New York.

Other "Signs of the Times" Are Discussed Sculptured in Wood in the Edifice.

New York.—St. Thomas' Episcopal church in Fifth avenue looms as a possible rival of the Metropolitan Art museum in public interest following cumulative disclosures that showed the \$1,000,000 gothic structure to be a veritable treasure trove of unique sculpture and wood carving.

The first "discovery" made by a newspaper recently revealed a huge, ironic dollar mark carved in the ornamentation above the "bride's entrance." Then followed the discovery of a whole row of "avenue types"—little heads about the size of a fist sculptured above the main entrance. These included a monocled dandy, a man with a dissolute nose and a woman branded as "the divorcee."

The architects have permitted to become public a chart listing some of the wood carvings that decorate the interior of the church. One of the carvings, entitled "Prohibition," depicts Bacchus tumbled from a keg by a woman with a spear. Fallen from his outstretched hand is a bunch of grapes, while behind the woman's figure is a single lemon, emblematic of the "soft" drink.

The wood carvings also include a group in which heads of Woodrow Wilson, King George of Great Britain, King Albert of Belgium, Clemenceau, Lloyd George, General Pershing, Marshal Foch, Admiral Beatty, Herbert Hoover, Maj. Gen. Peyton C. March and many other figures appear. A Salvation Army lassie is shown handing out doughnuts to doughboys and politicians, and other figures include "a gob" and "an aviator."

E. L. Mayers, partner of Bertram Goodhue, architect of the church, explained that the wood carvings, most of which have been put in place recently, had the full approval of Rev. Dr. Ernest M. Struss, rector of St. Thomas'. The work was done, he said, in accordance with the tradition of architecture that modern figures in history, problems of the day and symbols of the age should receive recognition in a sacred edifice.

The dollar mark above the "bride's door" and the "avenue types" above the main entrance, however, were the architect's little jests, worked in on his own initiative when the church was built ten years ago.

HANGER-ON IS PASSENGER

Supreme Court of California So Holds as to Rider on Auto Running Board.

Los Angeles, Cal.—Holding that an individual standing on the running-board of an automobile for hire, though he has not paid his fare, is a passenger within the meaning of the law and entitled to protection, the state supreme court affirmed the judgment of \$580 against W. T. Davies in the action brought by John Ivanovich for damages on account of injuries received in an accident at San Pedro, when the plaintiff was riding on a jitney bus conducted by Mr. Davies.

The machine was crowded and Mr. Ivanovich got on the running-board, intending to pay his fare at the end of the journey. It was asserted by the defense that, under the circumstances, Mr. Ivanovich was not a passenger within the purview of the law, but the court held against the contention.

Oat Kernel in Wheat Head.

Regina, Sask.—A head of beardless wheat containing 29 kernels of wheat and one oat kernel, which was grown on a farm near Radville, was brought to Regina. The oat kernel was apparently an ordinary oat and had formed close to the stalk of the grain just between the second and third kernel of wheat from the bottom of the head. The oat kernel had a short beard similar to a wild oat, such as is some times found on certain varieties of ordinary oats.

Throws Away Stolen Bond.

Full River, Mass.—John Lewis of New Bedford was arrested for carrying just as he had disposed of a \$200 Liberty bond by throwing it in an ash can. Lewis admitted having stolen the bond with other bonds, the police say. He was returned to the New Bedford authorities.

Camper Beats Bear in Race to Cave.

But Lewis, N. Y.—A stranger of this city had a close call from seeing a bear of a large bear and three cubs while camping in the Monksup river. Struss had left camp to go to a house half a mile away to get milk and was returning with a pail of milk when he heard noise in the bushes. When he saw the bears smacking their chops and hurrying his way, he started a sprint toward camp. He won the race, but lost a pail of milk. After barricading the cabin Struss and party later hunted the bear with guns, but could find no trace of the animals.

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We specialize in Men's Ready-to-Wear--We know their needs. We will gladly assist you in your selections and appreciate your patronage.  
**THE MENS SHOP**  
YOUR SATISFACTION--OUR SUCCESS  
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**Does This Mean You?**  
We clip the following words from an exchange that we like mighty well and pass on to our readers, hoping they will like them also:  
"Don't go abroad to buy something when you have a few dollars to spend and then ask your home merchants to sell you on time when you are broke. If you have bills with your merchant who has given you credit, spend your cash with him by all means. If you take your cash to the city to spend in your town, nine times out of ten, he will 'do' you because he never expects to see you again. The home merchant will save you money with reliable goods, which he guarantees with his reputation.  
"A town that is large enough and good enough for a man to earn his living in is good enough for him to buy his provisions in. If he does not think so, both he and the town would be better off if his tent was pitched on other prairies."  
The women of Japan have taken exception to the police regulation which prevents them from attending political meetings, and have registered a protest petition to the House of Representatives.  
**COUNTY TAX RETURNS**  
Notice is hereby given that the Auditor's Office will be open for receiving Tax Returns from January 1st, 1922, to February 20th, 1922. All persons owning real estate or personal property must make returns of the same within said period as required by law, or be subject to a penalty of 50 per cent.  
The Auditor will attend in person or by deputy at the following places in the county on the dates indicated for receiving returns:  
Bethune, January 10th and 11th  
Raley's Mill, January 12th  
Kirkley's Store, January 13th  
Kershaw, January 16th and 17th  
Westville, January 18th  
Liberty Hill, January 19th  
Blaney, January 20th.  
All persons between the ages of 21 and 60 years, inclusive are required to pay Poll and Road Tax, unless excused by law. All trustees, Guardian, Executors, Administrators or Agents holding property in charge, must return same. Parties sending tax returns by mail must make oath to same before some officer and fill out same in proper manner or they will be rejected.  
W. F. RUSSELL,  
Auditor Kershaw County

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TO MANY RESORT POINTS IN THE SOUTH AND WEST  
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AND CONNECTIONS  
THROUGH PULLMAN SERVICE TO THE PRINCIPLE CITIES AND RESORTS OF THE SOUTH. EXCELLENT DINING CAR SERVICE.  
WINTER EXCURSION TICKETS ON SALE DAILY TO APRIL 30, 1922. FINAL LIMIT MAY 31, 1922. STOP-OVERS ALLOWED.  
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**S. H. McLEAN, District Passenger Agent**