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The days have begun to lengthen; now the human efforts ought to strengthen.

An American dollar brought 57,000,000 rubles on the Russian exchange market. At that rate, you could go over with some change in your pocket and be a wealthy man among the Russians.

The trail of Roman Catholic church fires in various parts of Canada, chiefly in the Province of Quebec, does not speak well for the spirit of tolerance on the part of at least one person.

The open stove and the almost hermetically sealed house are exacting their annual toll of human life. It's a dangerous combination. So if you're running coal fires over night, better permit some slight avenue of ingress of fresh air.

The allies are finding the Turkish Nationalists a tougher proposition to deal with than they anticipated when they invited the Turkish delegates to the Lausanne conference. Evidently, the Turks took their cue from the World War and the developments therefrom.

This man Arbuckle is getting so much free publicity in connection with the lifting of the moving picture ban on him that if he once gets back into the pictures he'll be one of the best known men of the whole United States, bar none. Which is, in itself, rather unfortunate.

Just how slight have been the efforts to enforce prohibition in some sections is clearly shown by the statement that for the first time in nearly two years federal enforcement agents visited Holyoke, Mass., and on their first try succeeded in buying drinks of whiskey at two places in that city, simply by entering the places dressed as workmen and planking their dinner pails down on the bar. The incident does not show what the local authorities have been doing all the time; but the indications are that they have been doing less than their full duty, if liquor transactions are carried on as easily as that.

Dedication of a new \$200,000 administration building at Lyndon institute, to replace a structure destroyed by fire last year, speaks volumes for the vitality of that institution as well as for the strong leadership of its principal, O. D. Mathewson, and the co-operation of the community. With such fine equipment, Lyndon institute will be in a position to maintain the pace in modern school life. The school is doing a fine work, and it is a matter for general satisfaction that the fire was not permitted to cripple the school in any way. As a matter of fact, the fire proved advantageous in one way, in that it developed the spirit of co-operation back of the institution.

First steps toward the erection of a new passenger station at the important railroad point, White River Junction, are still somewhat indefinite, but it is probable that some progress was made through the action of the citi-

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zens in that village getting President Hustis of the Boston & Maine railroad into conference recently. After an inspection of the situation, President Hustis is reported by the White River Junction Landmark to have declared that the "railroad situation at White River Junction was one that needed to be remedied at the earliest possible moment, both for the convenience of the public and the ease of operation for the railroads." That's progress, surely. To get the head of one of the connection lines entering that point to admit the situation is had is encouraging. However, the further declaration by President Hustis that the possible changes are not for the immediate future is not so encouraging. But the people of White River Junction and the dissatisfied public of Vermont and New Hampshire, as well as of other states making temporary visits to that point, should not despair. On the other hand, they should make persistent and strong representation at the opportune times until the railroads conclude to make the changes which they admit are very necessary. White River Junction needs a new station, and needs it badly.

AMERICAN INTERVENTION!
 American intervention in the reparations dispute between Germany and the allies is distasteful to at least one of the allies when it is learned that the proposed intervention is merely to find out how much Germany is able to pay. The idea even of that is more or less distasteful to the people of the United States, many of whom think that Europe, having been stopped from fighting itself to death, ought to be able to come to some understanding in regard to money matters growing out of the fighting. It is more or less presumptuous, too, for one country to step in and say what shall be paid in reparations, for that would be really what the proposed intervention would amount to. Europe isn't so impotent as it might seem, only Europe wants to let the United States do a disagreeable task.

RANDOLPH
 Miss Miriam Angell and Miss Helen Morse the latter the guest of Miss Angell at Burlington, arrived here on Friday to pass the vacation from the U. V. M. college with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. F. C. Angell.
 Mrs. C. J. Dyke, who teaches in Pomfret, has come to pass the Christmas vacation here with her relatives. The schools all closed here on Friday and many of the teachers went to their homes to spend the holiday with relatives. Mrs. Morrison, the teacher of music, left on Friday for Mass., enroute to pass the vacation with her mother.
 Mrs. Cora Robbins left here by the night train Friday night for New York, where she went to see her daughter, Miss Nettie Robbins, who is a teacher there and who is ill at the present time.
 Mrs. Rogers, one of the nurses at Judge Rowell's, is going to her home in Norwich for a three days' stay, and during her absence, Miss Groat will assist in the care with Miss Billings.
 The W. E. corps celebrated their Christmas night this week by having a program which was enjoyable and well attended. The children made up a great part of their program by their selections which are always enjoyable.
 Dr. and Mrs. Harry Clark of Danvers, Mass., have come to spend the holidays with Mrs. S. S. Clarke and Mrs. Emily Hastings.
 Mrs. Tobey went to South Sutton on Friday to pass a few days there with her sister, Mrs. Knights.
 Mr. and Mrs. Leland left on Friday for Keene, N. H., where they went to ascertain in regard to a legacy said to have been their by the death of a relative.

An Old Christmas Story
 The Christmas spirit may be termed an "answered call."
 To illustrate, a simple little story, old, yet true, is brought to mind: A little boy, half-clad in rags, after an unsuccessful attempt to sell his evening papers, stands, shivering with the cold, against a holiday window of one of New York's big department stores, one of those alluring holiday windows that magically spring into being and in which are displayed so temptingly the many Christmas longings of a boy's heart.
 The little fellow stands there unnoticed by the thousands who surge up and down the avenue, except one. There is one, out of the multitude, fine, big-hearted, red-blooded man who sees a little face white and motionless, a forehead partly covered with locks of hair through which a pair of large brown eyes look out upon a world of wonder and hope—a forbidden world it seems. There is something about the boy which touches the heart of this man; he sees in the youthful face a wonderful light—a light dimmed by poverty and despair suddenly rekindled by a glorious new hope—a sad, yet beautiful sight.
 The call is answered. A moment's pause and this big man takes the hand of the boy and leads him into Wonderland. Both are happy.
 The little boy is today one of the country's leading financiers, a position which he owes to this simple act of kindness and generosity extended by a friend at Christmas. The friendship thus formed ripened with the years; the confidence established was never betrayed.
 All of our success, individual or institutional, is due to the confidence placed in us at some time by somebody.
 This bank would acknowledge with gratitude at this glad season the confidence placed in it by the public, and the officers, employees, and directors voice their appreciation of the many acts of kindness and courtesy which have been extended to them.

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GRANITEVILLE
 The Presbyterian church in Graniteville was well filled last evening at the Christmas tree exercises of the Sunday school. The superintendent, Malcolm McKinnon, presided. Alex MacIver's class procured the two large trees and Mrs. Malcolm McKinnon's class decorated them. Miss Margaret Murray had charge of the program and John Murray was Santa Claus, assisted by Mrs. Stephen Niven's class. There were so many presents Santa Claus congratulated the people on their prosperous condition. Then Robert Mitchell, in behalf of the congregation, presented the pastor a Christmas box well filled with over \$50 as an expression of the people's goodwill. In responding, the pastor thanked the people, saying this was one of the best Christmas trees this church ever had. Then all the children received their boxes and departed in good cheer.
 William Sheridan of Albany, N. Y., arrived here yesterday to spend the holiday with his mother, Mrs. Carrie Sheridan.
 Miss Helen Carey, who is employed in the public schools in Barre, Mass., is expected this evening for a two weeks' vacation from her duties.
 Gordon McLeod, who is employed in Milford, Mass., is home for a few days.
 Harold Carey of the United States navy arrived home this morning from Newport, R. I., to spend Christmas.
 Fred Donald, who is employed in Ganogaque, Ont., is enjoying a ten-day vacation.
 John N. McDonald left this morning for Brattleboro, where he will spend a few days with his daughter, Mrs. R. W. Miles.
 Lawrence Graham, who is employed in Bristol, Conn., came home to-day for the holidays.
 Miss Doris Morrison of White River Junction is spending a few days with relatives.
 Mrs. Anna Carey, who is employed at the Washington county tuberculosis hospital, is home for a few days.

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 We take this occasion to thank you for all your kind friendship and your hearty support for the past year, and to express our hope for the continuation of your friendship that our success will certainly be assured for the future.
 We likewise wish you a very happy, prosperous and healthy New Year, with emphasis on our hopes for your success in every pursuit of health, happiness and prosperity.

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