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## BILL BOOSTER SAYS:

Eleven hundred dollars has been given to date by the Fulton district towards the two thousand dollar quota of the Red Cross for relief of drought sufferers.

There remain just three days during which it is expected that the Fulton Red Cross workers will complete the quota amount.

That is to say—Saturday is the last day of the period set for the raising of that \$10,000.00 as the national offering for relief.

Now, folks, Fulton has always come forward with her full share for the relief of human suffering.

In other columns in this issue of the Patriot may be found the names of those who have contributed to the drought relief fund. If your name is not among those published will you not hurry to afford what measure of contribution is possible to you.

Fulton's quota must not be allowed to be among those not raised. Rather, would it not be better to have such a report on Fulton as was published concerning another small city of the state: "Raises more than is asked"?

Another effort by Homer Russell Smith post, American Legion, is just in the offing.

The legion is going to sponsor the first annual automobile show and the dates for the exhibit have been set for early in April.

It is to be expected that the automobile show will be just as great a success as have been the other efforts of the Legion.

We happened into the Quirk theatre last Saturday just as the program of the Mickey Mouse club was about to begin.

It would be a treat for the eyes of all the grown-ups of the city to take a peek at the youngsters assembled for the Mickey Mouse club.

Members of the club, overflowing the lower floor of the theatre with seating capacity for more than six hundred, it being necessary for a considerable number of the Mickey Mousers to take seats in the balcony.

That Mickey Mouse club is a very worthwhile affair and much commendation is due those who give so generously of their time in making the club a success.

Congratulations we extend to Mr. and Mrs. Wells Hannum upon their silver wedding anniversary.

Next week Wednesday is the last day for the payment of taxes without penalty.

We wonder if it would not be a helpful thing if the common council would find that the penalty could be waived for those who pay in three installments, provided the three installments are paid on time. Or, perhaps it might not be an altogether unhappy thought if payment could be deferred one or two months.

In these times we have noted that moves have been made in several places to make it a little easier for the taxpayer to meet his obligations.

For a prognosticator who makes his predictions one year in advance we would say that Mr. King hits the nail on the head more than often.

Take a look at his February, 1931, forecasts and you will find that up to this minute he has been just about 100% perfect.

Lincoln's birthday anniversary. Queer, isn't it, how ideas change?

We note that a possessor of around three hundred photos of Lincoln from babyhood into manhood disagrees with any thought of unemptiness relative to the great emancipator.

Well, it doesn't matter to us whether he was unempt or imaculate, the fact of his greatness cannot be questioned. He was "Honest Abe" and as such his memory is indissolubly enshrined in our hearts.

## QUOTA IS SHY \$900 NEEDED BY RED CROSS

The local chapter of the Red Cross announces that to date approximately \$1,100 has been raised toward the Fulton quota of \$2,000 for drought aid. The local chapter is anxious that the full quota be realized and urges those who have not contributed to hurry and do so in the last three days of this week, Saturday being the last day set by national headquarters for raising the \$10,000,000 relief fund.

The Fulton chapter desires to make public acknowledgment of the following donations:

\$100.00—Oswego Falls Corporation, Peter Callier Kohler Swiss Chocolates

\$25.00—Morin Bros, Inc., I. Achul, Citizens National Bank & Trust Co. of Fulton, Oswego County Trust Co., C. J. Jenson, Henderson & Thompson Co., Fulton Savings Bank, Victoria Paper Mills Co., Hannah W. Hartman, McHenry-Millhouse, M. G. C. Oswego County Independent Telephone Co.

\$20.00—F. B. Dilts, Marvin-Follar Coal Co.

\$15.00—J. A. Austin, F. G. Ludington & Son

\$10.00—S. E. Morin, Edith Brae, Jennie K. Quirk, Minnie A. Brown, S. Elizabeth Lee, Bertha Lee Royce, Wade E. Gayer, F. W. Hanson, Miriam Lodge No. 144, F. & A. M., H. J. Wilson, W. H. Yarwood, W. C. Smith, Wataker & Bogardus, Inc., H. F. VanSantford, Glenn J. Siver, Fred N. Palmer, Elmer E. Taylor, The Fulton Patriot, M. B. Hargrave, George W. Brooker, Business and Professional Women's Club, Elmer E. Morrill, Cora B. Chauncey, Unknown, Estelle H. Reider, Maurice M. Conley, J. R. Sullivan, George H. Vio.

\$5.00—Bessie S. Dilts, F. H. Hutson, W. F. Lane, Dr. A. E. Legg, R. J. Pendergast, C. M. Allen, W. A. Eutts, Harry Babcock, Stacy Oil Co., Dr. R. H. Hubbard, M. D. Ewell, L. L. Lipsky, W. H. Patterson, Fred N. Palmer, Julia Gilbert, J. M. Merrill, C. W. Herrick, M. Goldberg & Sons, F. W. Eassett, Lee A. Wilcox, Floyd Boynton, Charles LaBeef, Jas. Cole, Maude H. Swain, Emma Hayes, A. T. Jennings, Helen A. Bigelow, W. H. Hornbrook, Chas. W. Hill, A. Morrill, J. L. Johnston, E. D. A. Morrill, L. W. Sheldon & Son, Mabel Kittle.

\$4.00—Miss Bessie E. Bracey.

\$3.00—Mehagan Bros., Walter Rogozinski, Edith Spangle, Bertha G. Kelley, J. C. O'Brien, Inc., F. Elliott.

\$2.50—L. E. Bradt, W. C. Galt, L. Kitting, Mrs. I. H. C. Webb, R. F. Baker, H. C. Webb, R. P. Knapp, Roy Korlage, W. C. Maloney, Mr. and Mrs. George Deuel, Dr. N. Wagner, Dr. W. B. Halstead, F. B. Barlow, George F. Gillard, Cornelia H. Rice, Florence Sturdevant, Cora E. VanBuren, S. D. Fitch, Frank H. Brown, Stanley Engwer, F. H. Ure, E. A. Putnam.

\$1.00—F. J. Towse, R. McDonald, Delos Distin, Mrs. N. H. Haviland, C. C. Ford, Florence Deuel, Joseph Dingle, Fred M. Fanning, Ray DeLine, A. Brown & Son, Ottman's Boot Shop, Harold Palmer, Alice Gorman, Joseph M. Connors, E. M. Thompson, G. M. Phillips, Mrs. Nora Patrick, Miss R. H. Patrick, Mrs. Lillian Haves, Martin Barry, W. C. Furness, Neil Montgomery, T. C. Clothier, Charles Hall, Mrs. Henry Moulton, Ella Baker, Beatrice Johnson, John Carroll, Eugenia Hallock, Floyd Wilkinson, Allan Osborne & Son, Vincent Battles, examiner, E. D. 50c—Lambros Bros.

**D. U. A. M. INSTALL OFFICERS.**  
Bertha Guyer has been installed as councillor of Fulton county, Daughters of United American Men. The installation took place Thursday evening in the rooms in South First street.

The meeting was presided over by Marian Hackett, district deputy, who was assisted by Grove Seymour as marshal.

Other officers include: Lillian Pearson, councillor; Cora Drury, junior vice councillor; Marian Hackett, senior vice councillor; Doris Seymour, recording secretary; Lillian Chesbro, assistant recording secretary; Stella Best, treasurer; Velma Murray, investigator; Mabel Battles, examiner; Virginia Casselman, outside protector; Mrs. Etta Decker, trustee.

**ODD FELLOWS TO ENTERTAIN.**  
Plans are being made by members of Barames A. M. S. for an entertainment on Saturday, Feb. 21st, when Neatwanta lodge of Odd Fellows and its auxiliaries will be entertained. The program will include a box social, dancing cards and music. Invitations have been extended to the Odd Fellows of Auburn, Syracuse, Cortland and Oswego, and many of them have announced their intention of being present.

Carlton Rowlee is chairman of the committee, assisted by Grove Seymour, and George Mitchell.

**NATURALIZATION COURT.**  
Justice Dowling held naturalization court at Oswego last week and approved the applications of 32 who asked to become citizens. Among those approved from this vicinity are the following: Giuseppe Cavallaro, John P. Bzudia and Anthony Bzudia, brothers, Constantiano F. Fiorini, Santo Cancone, Rosario E. Cassanti, Pasquale Carriero, Sabastiana Leotta, Frank Circuruto, Camelo Brancato, all of Fulton; Rosario Scaranzi, Hammbal.

## RUMOR THAT TROLLEY MAY QUIT SERVICE

Plans of the Empire State Railway to abandon interurban trolley service between Oswego and Syracuse, and to substitute a motor bus service in the city of Fulton, as a feeder to the interurban bus line, is stated to be a possibility, through developments this week, in which representatives of the Empire State Railway interviewed Fulton city officials to learn whether this city would grant the company a franchise for bus operation in lieu of trolley service.

Representing the Syracuse and Oswego Motor Lines, Inc., Attorney Eugene Sullivan of this city, appeared before the common council Friday evening and petitioned for the privilege of operating a motor bus through Fulton. Accompanying Mr. Sullivan were W. K. Zinsmeister, president of the motor line, Murray Campbell and John Bachman, all of Syracuse.

They passed a resolution to hold a public hearing on the petition in the council chambers on Feb. 20. Mayor Baldwin appointed Aldermen Frank Root, William Howard and Clyde Ingle as a committee to investigate the advisability of granting the permit.

The men mentioned above stated their contingent purpose to operate a line from Syracuse through Baldwinville, Belgium, Phoenix, Fulton to Oswego, largely paralleling the Empire State route.

They propose to enter Fulton over the state highway to South First street, to South Fourth street, to East Broadway, to South First street, to Onedia street.

From Onedia street they would alternate buses to Oswego, one running over the East river road, the next hourly bus over the lower bridge to the west river road, thus serving both sides of the river.

A dispatch from Albany revealed that the new bus line had filed its certificate of incorporation with the secretary of state.

The capital stock was listed at \$100,000. Directors were listed as Mr. Zinsmeister, Murray Campbell of North Syracuse, and M. D. Stafford, 38 Genesee street, Baldwinville.

The certificate was filed through John H. Bachman, Syracuse, secretary.

Mr. Zinsmeister is secretary-treasurer of the affiliated interurban lines which operate out of the electric terminal under joint receivership. Mr. Campbell is assistant superintendent of transportation and traffic. Mr. Sheard is assistant treasurer.

The Oswego-Syracuse interurban trolley line is one of the few remaining in the state that were operated during the past 20 or 25 years. In many instances, the same corporations that operated the trolley lines substituted motor buses, and some, at least of these operations, it is said, resulted in just as good public service as was given by the trolley company.

Recently operations between Rome and Utica were suspended and buses substituted, and during the last year, the Auburn-Syracuse, the Rochester-Sodus Point and other lines were discontinued, with bus service following, serving the same communities.

On Monday city clerk Burdick received an application from the Onondaga Omnibus corporation for a bus franchise through this city. In filing the application this company asked for practically the same route as the original applicants, the Syracuse-Oswego Bus Lines, Inc.

## LEWIS BILL TO EXTEND SEASON ON RABBITS

Assemblyman Victor C. Lewis has introduced an act to amend the conservation law in relation to the use of ferrets and the open season for cottontail rabbits in Oswego county. It reads as follows:

**Open Season.**—The open season for varying hares shall be from Oct. 15 to March 1, both inclusive. The open season for cottontail rabbits shall be from Oct. 15 to Jan. 31, both inclusive, except in the counties of Wayne, Ontario, Orleans, Livingston, Monroe, Niagara, Cayuga, Schuyler, Tompkins and Onondaga, when the open season shall be from Oct. 15 to March 31, both inclusive.

The use of ferrets is at all times prohibited, except that varying hares and cottontail rabbits may be taken by aid of ferrets, in the counties of Wayne, Ontario, Orleans, Livingston, Monroe, Niagara, Cayuga, Oswego, Schuyler, Tompkins and Onondaga, and excepting also, that the department may, by resolution, permit ferrets to be used in other particular counties or towns therein. The owners or occupants of inclosed or occupied farms and lands, or a person duly authorized in writing by such owner or occupant, may take in any manner, at any time and in any number, varying hares and cottontail rabbits which are injuring their property. Except in towns or counties where the use of ferrets is authorized by this subdivision or permitted by the department, the possession of ferrets afield shall be presumptive evidence of their illegal use.

## A SKIT FROM AMOS 'N' ANDY AT ELKS' BAKE

M. J. Crandall, Clinton Nichols, James Beavert, George Washburn, Earl Foster, William Harper, Reuben Parks and Rudolph Foster, are the committee on the Elks' clambake which is to be held in the club house on Thursday evening, Feb. 26th.

Following the clambake and installation of officers, an entertainment program will have as its feature the presentation of a one-act comedy entitled, "Amos 'n' Andy," by "Madame Queen's Breach of Promise Law Suit." The comedy promises that a spasmodic series of humorous laugh.

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**ALLEN TAKEN INTO CUSTODY.**  
Raymond Allen was taken into custody early last Thursday morning in an apartment house in Utica on a warrant issued from city court, when he failed to appear for trial on violation of a city ordinance last December. The case had been adjourned three times through his failure to appear, and he had been in the custody of his attorney, Claude E. Guile, who following Allen's non-appearance on Wednesday, stated he was unable to locate him. A warrant was issued Wednesday afternoon and Allen was located that night.

Allen entered a plea of not guilty and was held in \$200 cash bail, furnished by his father, for appearance Feb. 11th.

With Allen in Utica was Lena Carlarco, wanted on a bench warrant for a statutory charge, under indictment following the January grand jury. She was taken to Oswego Thursday afternoon and upon a plea of not guilty, was held in \$2,500 bail and taken to the county jail, and was released on Saturday when Allen put up a New York draft for \$2,500.

**STATE STREET BOY SCOUTS.**  
Troop 13, Boy Scouts of America, are celebrating the 21st anniversary of the organization of the Boy Scouts this week. Several programs have been arranged.

Troop 13 is stationed at the State street M. E. church and conducted the evening service there Sunday evening. A window display is being exhibited in the chamber of commerce from Feb. 8th to 14th. This shows various kinds of knots used by the scouts and woodcraft.

The annual father and son banquet will be held at the church at 6:30 on Wednesday evening.

—Furniture upholstered—Cane splint and repairing; samples of all kinds; called for and delivered. Lytle, 304 Pine street, Fulton, N. Y. Phone 899-R. 221f

## COUNCIL GETS APPLICATION ON BUS FRANCHISE

Charles Lockrow, local taxi operator, petitioned the city last Friday evening for the privilege of operating a cross-town bus service from Recreation Park, across the upper bridge to South First street, to Onedia street and across the lower bridge to Worth street, to Hannibal street and thence to West Sixth street. A return route would be made, starting one block north on West Sixth street to Wainwright street and back to the east side of the city by the lower bridge.

On reaching the business district the block including Onedia and Cayuga streets would be circled over Second street, back to First, south to Broadway and thence over the upper bridge to the park.

Mr. Lockrow offers 30-minute service at a 5 cent fare. His application was referred to Aldermen Scott, Searies and Rogers, who will report at the adjourned meeting on Feb. 20th.

Aldermen Scott and Howard were appointed a committee to report on licensing of taxicabs.

Elmer E. Taylor and the city made the same \$10 go a long way at the public auction held in connection with the council meeting.

The city bought Taylor's 50x100 foot lot in Division street. With the \$10 received from that deal, Taylor bought at auction from the city the corner lot.

City Attorney Hillick brought up a city ordinance adopted Dec. 29th, 1916, which has not been enforced for the past eight years. It concerns the taxi law of the city, and states a \$25 license fee shall be charged for the first taxicab of each company and an additional \$5 for each extra car in service by that company. The license fee is effective for the year succeeding the date of issuance and may be revoked by the decision of the police and fire commission if the taxi company fails to observe traffic regulations or is guilty of a misdemeanor, according to this regulation.

The ordinance also decrees each cab shall bear a license number issued with the license. Mayor Baldwin appointed Aldermen Scott and Howard to investigate the advisability of enforcing the ordinance.

At the request of Alderman Ingle, a resolution was passed granting a permit to place a street light on Lyons street, west of South First street.

At the request of Alderman Rogers Mayor Baldwin ordered City Engineer Andrews to prepare an estimate of the cost of the street light.

**PHILLIPS STREET SCHOOL.**  
Charles J. Otis, principal of Phillips street school, announces the following list of students who have not missed a day or been late for school since last September:

First Grade—Angelo Caruso, Elizabeth Krupa, Josephine Ferrazzoli, Elizabeth Livoli.

Second Grade—Neil Fitch, Adolf Kalarfarski, Henry Karkut, Paul Russell, Steve Spivak, Gertrude Bullard, Jennie Brzuchacz, Tredda Bullard, Julianne Koski, Rosario Livoti, Jennie Market.

Third Grade—John Borek, Carl Bullard, Maryann Karkut, Frank Martin.

Fourth Grade—Edwin Baron, Thomas Ferrazzoli, Lon Fitch, Jane Best, Adolph Starzec, Josephine Carrucco, Anna Crouch, Pannie Ferrazzoli, Anna Kowal, Norma Severance, Lorraine Slate.

Fifth Grade—Alice Meldrum, Ario Jackson, Agatha Waldron, Tracy Bullard, Louis Dziedzic, Howard Bullard, Robert Gifford, Emil Karkut, Olga Lysak, Allice Okoniewski, Stacia Szupak.

Sixth Grade—Byron Severance, Paul Wallace, Julia Ewanicki, Estell Zapalinski, Theda Barry, Genevieve Heretyk, Alice Karkut, Jennie Koski, Joe Leotta, Richard Seaton, William Carrier, Stanley Swialarz, Lucille Breed, Dorothy Halstead, Ellen Yandoh.

Eighth Grade—John Day, Michael Paiko, Harry Socha, Lila German, Essie Lotera, Sarah Bead, Harrietta Sobota, Jennie Simon, Beulah Gleason, Jennie Ritagom, Henry Dziedzic, Bennie Zajac, Terry Meldrum, John Dziedzic, Paul Okoniewski, John Volotta, Nona Bellingier, Doris Martin, Nancy Penkala, Steven Martin, Dominic Mungler, Nick Olenkch, Lallita Szupak.

—VanBuren's Furniture Store, 111 Onedia street, is the cheapest and best place to buy good furniture. 71f

## BIG GAIN IN MEMBERSHIP BY THE GRANGE

The membership of the New York annual session at Olean last week, State Grange, which held its 58th showed a net gain of 1,270 for the year ending Nov. 15th, 1930. This is the first time in nine years that the membership showed a net increase.

The annual report of Secretary F. J. Riley shows that Chautauque county continues the lead in membership with 7,524, with Jefferson county close second with 7,088.

Other leaders in membership are: Monroe, 6,606; Oswego, 6,554; St. Lawrence, 5,799; Steuben, 5,310; Wayne, 4,838; Ontario, 4,174; Dutchess, 4,143; Onondaga, 3,652; Clinton, 3,637; Lewis, 3,331; Genesee, 3,092; Tompkins, 3,068; Orange, 3,063.

State Treasurer John W. Kleis reported that the organization had a balance of \$63,414.41 on Jan. 1st, 1931, as compared with \$7,325.60 a year ago.

The master reported that 11 new deputies are to be commissioned by him at this session, among these being Norman L. Clark of Oswego county, to succeed former Deputy W. C. Hubbard.

Louis J. Taber, national master, in his address, asserted that the farmer receives less than 38 cents out of each dollar spent by the consumer. He pointed out that whereas prices in farm products have declined 35 per cent in the past year, distribution costs have declined only 4 per cent.

The speaker urged the farmers to recognize the possibilities of co-operative marketing in producing increased incomes and to work constantly for tax adjustment and reduction.

"The farmer constitutes 30 per cent of the nation's population. He gets but 10 per cent of the national income, but pays 25 per cent in taxes. In contrast, the other 70 per cent of the population gets 90 per cent of the national income and pays but nine and one-half per cent in taxes," he said.

Judge Frank E. Rounds of Oswego town, one of the most prominent members of the Grange in Oswego county and for many years master of Hope Grange, Southwest Oswego, established a record at the meeting. When he entered the hall it was the 42d annual session of the Grange he had attended, with Mrs. O. M. Wixon, Elmira, second, with a record of 41 years.

The Oswego county delegation also made a record in being the first county delegation to attend a midwinter motor bus.

George Pruestone awarded gold medals to each Grange in the state that had gained 25 or more members during the year. A total of 62 Granges gained 25 to 50 members—received \$5 in gold; 50 to 75 members, \$10, and above 75, \$15. Dutchess county showed the largest gain of any county, five Granges showing a net gain of 157, with four Granges—Monroe county showing a gain of 154.

Mexico Grange of Oswego county received a \$10 prize for securing 51 new members during the year. Oswego Falls Grange of Fulton, \$5, with a gain of 39. Tupper Lake Grange headed the list with 89 new members.

Resolutions adopted included the following:

Urged passage of bill now in the legislature which would permit flat fee of \$5 for registration of motor vehicles engaged in agricultural purposes and not used for hire.

Urged reduced rate for registration fees on vehicles used from April 1st to November 1st.

Approved stand of Grange upholding the 18th amendment and law enforcement.

Favored legislation to permit arrests by police officers, without warrant, for violation of traffic laws.

Favored legislation allowing tractors to use highways from farm to farm.

Favored licensing of brokers and security salesmen.

Recommended state empower state college of Agriculture and other existing agencies to take such steps as are necessary to prevent importation of fruit and vegetable disease and insects into the state on produce shipments.

Opposed increasing open season on pheasants from four to 12 days and altering law for use of ferrets in taking rabbits.

Approved establishment of regional markets under state control provided they are intended as substitutes for old terminal markets.

That two-year rural teacher training classes be continued.

That one-year teaching training classes be continued at state agricultural schools.

Favoring revisions of assessment and taxation to relieve real estate, especially farm land, of unfair burdens, asking state experts to check assessments on farm property, in many localities at more than actual value.

Urging organizing study of taxation by state and subordinate granges.

## GOOD OLD DAYS DISPLAYED BY ELECTRIC AGE

W. K. Bradbury of the Niagara-Hudson system, was the speaker before the Kiwanis club on Wednesday, Feb. 4th, and the Rotary club on Thursday, Feb. 5th.

Mr. Bradbury's address, in part, follows:

"In the 'Good Old Days' things were different. Women wore bustles, balloon sleeves and corsets. Men wore long beards. People worked in sweatshops 12 hours a day, often seven days a week. Mother sweated over a wood stove and scrub board and stirred up the dust with old corn brooms. It was generally thought that to reduce price, the best way was to cut wages. Occasional horse cars lumbered slowly up the street. Water was pumped by hand. Farmers threw away good crops and cotton seed, knowing nothing of by-products. Oil lamps smoked here and there. Jasamine was considered a nuisance and was carried out to sea to be dumped. Chemists and engineers were looked upon in askance. Making things was a mystery. Aluminum cost about \$7 a pound.

"In those good old days production was relatively small. The output of steel, for example, being only 35 pounds per capita per year—hardly enough for the front axle of a Ford car. The output of petroleum was only 14 gallons per capita per year—not enough for a good day's ride in an auto. Since those glorious days, due to the application of electric power and the science of the chemist and engineer, aluminum has come down to 28 cents a pound, steel has increased 56 times in output, mining operations 15 times, factory production 12 times. Labor saving devices made possible by new machine products have lightened the day's work and lengthened hours of leisure. Electric power in industry has increased production as well as wages.

In 1881, when Edison was first marketing the incandescent electric lamp and starting the first electric central station, he sold 35,000 lamps and had 59 customers for the station. It took 3 years before lamp sales reached a million and 22 years before the number of electric customers reached a million. In this country, now, due to the accumulated benefits of power and machinery, things move faster and everybody reaps the advantages of new things quicker. Incandescent lamp sales are over 600,000,000 a year; electric customers have passed the 24,000,000 mark and are increasing at the rate of more than a million a year.

"The United States has produced electricity as all the other nations combined. The entire world without power is still in the dark. The work accomplished by the use of electric power in the United States. Samuel Gompers, the famous labor leader, said: 'Where you see power and machinery there you see high wages.'" It is said that today in industrial work, electric power and higher wages go one and one-quarter cent for every dollar cost, at the present day wage scale, \$7.50 done in the manner of the good old days. No wonder 75 per cent of the factories are electrified. But this machine age, with its greater productivity and higher wages scale, while it has displaced some forms of manual labor, has developed new industries and new products to such a degree that many more people are engaged in lucrative work using their brains to guide machines than ever before.

"In the household, woman has been relieved of drudgery through the wonderful electric appliances. The enormous use of electric power in industry has made it possible to distribute the remainder of the power to millions of farms at a constantly decreasing cost. The more electric power is used in the home to lighten labor, the less the cost, and similarly, the more appliances bought, the lower the price of such things must become.

"But through mass production and the constantly increasing use of electricity, the cost of electric motors is today only one-third of what it was in 1902. There is every indication that with greater use of electricity in the future, the cost of the metric to use will be lowered. Electric lamps cost only half as much as they did in 1920 and they are much better lamps, giving more light for the same amount of energy used.

"In the home and on the farm, electricity is doing innumerable chores for a few cents a day. It has lessened the standard of living, lessened the hours of labor and given more time to leisure, but the future holds even greater store because the more use made of appliances and machinery tools, the faster will come new developments and greater wealth to enrich the whole population.

**VERCROUSE TO GET DEGREE.**  
A large delegation of Oswego county farmers left for Ithaca Monday to attend the annual Farm and Home meeting to be held at the State College of Agriculture.

An event of particular interest to Oswego county will take place Thursday evening, when the master farmer award will be conferred on Peter E. Vercrouse, general manager of the Oswego Garden's Inc.

The awards upon those so honored will be conferred by Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt. Mr. Vercrouse is president of the Oswego County Farm and Home Bureau and is a former president of the New York State Vegetable Growers' association.

The anticipated Niagara-Hudson merger was discussed, but no announcement was forthcoming from the company's officers concerning the proposed transaction.

**GAS COMPANY ELECTS.**  
Stockholders of the Fulton Fuel and Light company met Saturday in the company's office at 70 South First street and conducted their annual meeting. N. H. Gilbert, S. J. MacMillen, Malcolm McKeerchar, A. R. Fritz and T. A. Brown were elected directors.

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