

WHAT COMMISSION GOVERNMENT DOES

First Municipal Building Constructed for Transaction of Business Under New System Opened in Des Moines

THE STRUCTURE COST ABOUT \$302,000

This Scheme of Civic Rule Has Been Tried in Iowa Capital for Last Four Years, With Great Success-City is Proud of its New Building and Celebration is Planned for Jan. 1st.

Des Moines, Iowa, Dec. 30.—Des Moines' magnificent new city hall will be dedicated and formally opened January 1st, 1912. By experts this building is pronounced the most practical, at the same time the most elaborate municipal building in the United States. It is the first building built for transaction of business under the famous commission form, or "Des Moines Plan" of city government.

and second floor. It is built of a beautiful quality and color of Bedford stone, furnished by Charles Weitz Sons' Company, work being started in 1910. The main floor, where the real business of the city is transacted, is reached by an artistic flight of marble steps. It is like the huge counting room of a large business corporation. Under one ceiling are representatives of each of the four departments. There are no private offices, save small, low-walled rooms for the superintendents in each of the four corners. Entering (Continued on Page Two.)

The new municipal building is situated on the East bank of the Des Moines river, holding a prominent place in the rapidly developing "civic" center.

Three features stand out: (1) The building is constructed especially for the transaction of affairs under the business-like commission system.

(2) The building has architectural excellence and preciseness in construction.

(3) The cost, unlike most public buildings, is within the amount authorized by the people.

Considering these features separately: The building is 234 feet by 80 feet. In reality it is three-story, consisting of a sub-basement, basement, ground

LOCAL BACHELORS CAN CHEER UP NOW

LEAP YEAR IS HERE SOON AND GENTLEMAN OF SINGLE BLESSEDNESS MAY AGAIN LIVE IN JOYOUS HOPES.

It occurred to a compiler of vital statistics this morning, in connection with the near approach of Leap Year, that Escanaba's bachelors—those of them who are old enough to know better—might be classed under the following three headings:

1. Hopeless bachelors—Those who have lost their nerve and fallen into a matrimonial apathy.

2. Hopeful bachelors—Those who admit they are susceptible and are game to take a chance.

3. Militant bachelors—Those who still intend to use discretion and observation before doing anything rash.

Some of the bachelors of the city have the hallmark of matrimonial eligibility written all over them. Some are gallant, sprightly and clever chaps who would be capable of delighting the heart of many a local love-lorn spinster. And yet, at the same time that one contemplates the many worthy bachelors who still lives in hopes, one becomes sad at heart to observe betimes, weather-beaten groups of eminently well-known single males who appear to have lost all hope of ever entering into double blessedness.

NUTSHELL ENGLISH COURSES

Dictionary Home Study.

Home study has been discussed and advertised extensively during the past few years. Various methods and means have been introduced, but The Mirror believes that the best self-secured education obtainable in the English language and general information upon a most economical basis is offered (Continued on Page 2.)



SQUAW MAN KILLS WIFE AND MOTHER

NELS PAULSON'S CRIME RESULT OF WOMAN'S REFUSAL TO DEED HIM LAND ALLOTMENT ON RESERVATION.

Hayward, Wis., Dec. 30.—Because the woman would not deed her land to him, Nels Paulson, a squaw man, aged 40 years, shot and killed his wife, Josephine Cloud, an Indian, her mother, and after vainly attempting to find his father-in-law, Joseph Cloud returned to his home and sent a bullet into his own brain. When Sawyer county officials arrived at the scene of the crime they found Paulson's year-old child frozen to death. The double crime occurred on the reservation allotment of Paulson's squaw, two miles below the post on the Chippewa river. Until two years ago Paulson was a resident of Barker Lake. The father-in-law, who was working in the woods at the time the crime was committed, heard the shot and hurried to this city to notify the authorities. When Sheriff Clark and his deputies arrived at the death scene they found the murderer still alive but with little chance of recovery.

COLD WAVE IN WEST.

Denver, Dec. 30.—The exceptionally low temperatures and heavy snows in eastern Colorado are causing much suffering and loss among the live stock. Reports state that the wild animals are being driven from the mountains in search of food and that they are preying on domestic animals and, in some instances have been invaded the ranches. Sterling, Colorado, reports a temperature of fourteen degrees below zero.

LOCAL MAN TO ATTEND

A. T. HOFFMAN THE LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE LEFT THIS MORNING FOR MENOMINEE TO MEET OTHER SALESMEN.

BANQUET FOR SALESMEN TONIGHT

Carpenter-Cook Company Have Done Much for the Betterment of the Business of This Section of the Country—Buy All Fruits and Vegetables in Wisconsin and Michigan.

A. T. Hoffman, local representative of the Carpenter-Cook company, left this morning for Menominee, where tonight he will attend the annual banquet given by the company to the heads of the various departments. The banquet will be held at the Hotel Menominee, and it is expected that there will be about twenty-five persons in attendance.

The business of the Carpenter-Cook company has had an excellent growth the past few years, and the concern now sends representatives to all parts of the upper peninsula and northern Wisconsin. The business, which was established some twenty years ago, has increased annually, and the growth has been more rapid during the past five years than during any previous similar period. Mr. Hoffman said today that the concern's territory for the sale of canned products had been increased considerably during the past year, and that these goods were last sold in practically all parts of the state. (Continued on page 5.)

PEACE DINNER TO BE NOTABLE AFFAIR

New York, Dec. 30.—Arrangements completed for the citizens' peace dinner to be given at the Waldorf tomorrow night indicate that the affair will be the most notable of its kind that New York has seen in a long time. President Taft will be the special guest of honor. Other notables in attendance will include Vice President Sherman, Secretary Knox, Speaker Clark and a number of the leading foreign diplomats at Washington. The president will be the first speaker of the evening, and will be followed by Andrew Carnegie. Cardinal Gibbons is to pronounce the invocation. Among the members of the committee in charge of the affair are J. P. Morgan, Henry Claws, August Belmont, John Temple Graves and former United States Senator Charles A. Towne. Covers will be laid for 1800 guests.

MIRROR WILL BE ISSUED MONDAY

Monday, January 1, 1912 will be a legal holiday and the city stores, banks, public library and all offices and public institutions in the city will be closed on that day. About the only things to remain open will be the drug stores and the vaudeville theaters. The Escanaba Daily Mirror will publish an issue of the paper on New Year's day, the paper being delivered to subscribers at an early hour in the afternoon. The postoffice will be open from 9 to 11 a. m. and from 6 to 7 p. m.

TERRIBLE TRAIN WRECK.

Passenger Goes in the Ditch and Four People Burned to Death.

Aneta, N. D., Dec. 30.—Train No. 3, known as the "Oregonian" on the Great Northern railroad, struck a broken rail near Sharon, N. D. this morning and was thrown into a ditch. Four people were killed and a score of others seriously injured. The fatalities occurred in the dining car which caught fire. With a temperature of 12 degrees below zero and a 12-mile wind blowing, the passengers suffered frightfully with the cold before relief could be gotten to them.

BOYS MUST STOP USING SMALL GUNS

CHIEF OF POLICE ANNOUNCES THAT ALL SUCH GUNS WILL BE CONFISCATED WHEN BOYS ARE CAUGHT WITH THEM.

Chief of Police Iverson has issued a statement in which he says that he has directed the officers of the city police force to put a stop to the use of small rifles and air guns on the city streets. A great many small boys in the city were made presents of these dangerous toys for Christmas by parents and friends who showed a lack of discretion in supplying irresponsible children with the means of inflicting serious injury to their playmates and the casual passerby. The lads are out with their guns the greater part of their spare time, hunting sparrows for the two-cent bounty offered by the county, and already a number of minor accidents have been attributed to them. There is a city ordinance which prohibits the use of fire arms or such weapon as the powerful little air guns which carry a BB shot and are capable of causing injury in the hands of children who lack discretion in their use. The chief of police has determined to put a stop to the use of guns, in compliance with the city ordinance, and has announced that the officers will confiscate these toys when found in use on the streets.

FORMER LOCAL MAN TO SETTLE IN CANADA

O. B. Olson, formerly of Escanaba, and now of Marinette, expects to leave in about two weeks for Edmonton in western Canada, where he will locate. His wife who will accompany him is a sister of Charles Ehnerd of this city. He has not yet decided what business he will pursue there but he has a coal claim with a brother, which he expects to work. He has great faith in the future of the country and expects to see Edmonton a city of 500,000 in ten years. This week he sold his cigar factory on Ogden avenue to A. Saunders and Harry McDonald.

M'IVOR TYNDALL COMING TO CITY

Most Eccentric of all Hypnotists and Thought Readers Will Open at the Grand Monday

IS THE ORIGINATOR OF "NEW THOUGHT"

Educated in England to become a Physician—He Never Practices His Profession but Goes into the Study of Psychology—Really has a Wonderful Power or is the Prince of all Fakirs

Next Monday, Escanaba, will have the pleasure of excitement or whatever else it may be called, of seeing Melvor Tyndall at The Grand. He will arrive in the city Monday morning and eleven o'clock will give a public demonstration of his power.

Melvor Tyndall or Dr. Alexander J. Melvor Tyndall, which is the full name of this eccentric character has never failed to get more than his share of press notices in all the larger cities. Even the papers of Chicago have devoted many columns to him in the past ten months. His newest stunt has been the organizing of a "New Thought" society in Chicago and he has succeeded in getting together several hundred staunch friends that are seeking light in the way pointed out by Melvor.

BIG FIRM GOES BROKE

ALLIS-CHALMERS COMPANY OF MILWAUKEE WILL ASK FOR A RECEIVERSHIP—MUST PAY ON MORTGAGE BONDS.

NICHOLS MAKES A STATEMENT.

Company Has Been in a Bad Way For Some Time and the Quotations on its Stocks Have Reached a Low Ebb on the Stock Exchange—Additional Working Capital Must Be Supplied for Future.

New York, Dec. 30.—The Allis-Chalmers of Milwaukee one of the largest builders of engines and machinery in this country may precipitate itself into a receivership by defaulting the interest of its first mortgage 5 per cent bonds on Jan. 1, 1912.

The company has been in a bad way for months and its securities have declined to low points in the stock market. Protective committees were, some time ago, formed to look after the interests of the bondholders and the preferred stockholders. There had been a pretty general expectation that matters would come to an end with an inevitable receivership. For weeks the directors have been holding long and frequent meetings. On Friday they were in conference until late.

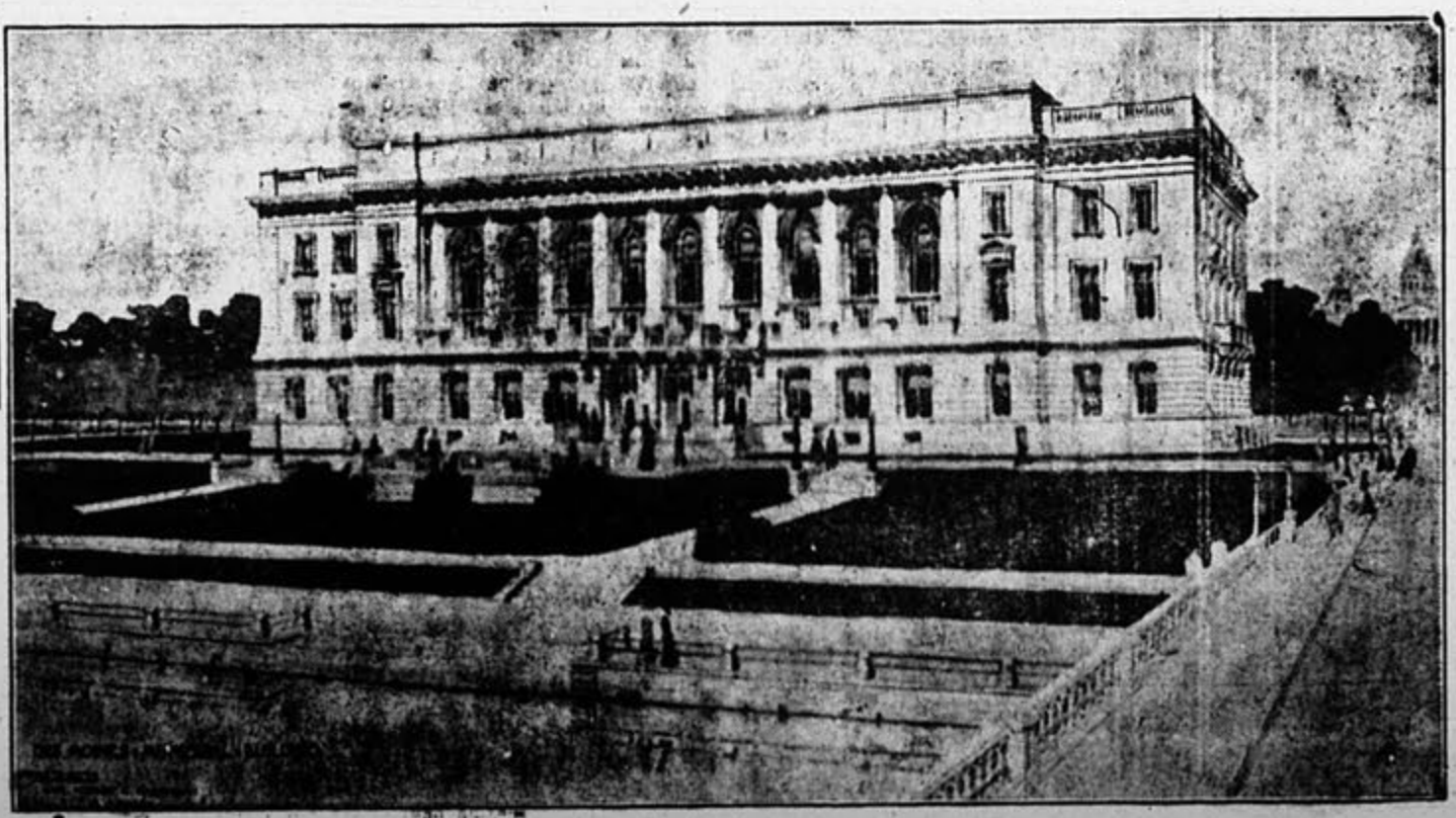
Nichols Issues Statement. At the close of the meeting Vice-President W. W. Nichols, the only resident executive official of the company, issued the following statement: "The directors of the Allis-Chalmers company at the meeting held on Friday decided that in view of the continued depression in business affecting especially this company, the decrease in earnings and the curtailment of credits, it would not be advisable to pay the interest on the first 5 per cent bonds coming due on Jan. 1, 1912."

The directors were of the opinion that the business could be continued with additional working capital was supplied and the fixed charges reduced and that additional working capital could only be obtained by a readjustment of the company's capitalization.

A further statement was issued by the officials of the Allis-Chalmers company this afternoon to the effect that the proceedings pending in New York will not result in the appointment of a receiver, but in a reorganization of the company.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Powers left today for Masonville, where they will spend New Year's day with relatives and friends.

Ed. Peterson who has been visiting friends and relatives here returned to his home in Milwaukee this morning.



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ESCANABA PEOPLE ATTEND FUNERAL

PATRICK FOGARTY WAS BURIED THIS MORNING AND A NUMBER OF LOCAL PEOPLE WENT TO NEENAH TO ATTEND.

The funeral of Patrick Fogarty, who died at his home in Neenah on Wednesday, was held in the St. Patrick church of that place at 9 o'clock this morning...

Mr. Fogarty was born in Gort, County Galway, Ireland, in 1841. He came to America with his parents in 1847...

OFFICIAL FORECAST.

Table with 4 columns: Location, Highest Temp, Lowest Temp, Precip. Rows include Escanaba, Green Bay, and Houghton.



Your Bible questions will be answered up these columns or by Mail if sent to our Bible Question Box Editor

Q.—The Bible frequently refers to the "four corners of the earth." Does this support the theory that the earth is square and flat? (E. V. D.)

Table with 2 columns: Location, Temperatures at even hours this date. Rows include Marquette and Escanaba.

U. S. Department of Agriculture.

For Escanaba and vicinity: Highest Temp, Lowest Temp, Precip. Yesterday, Last Night, Past 24 hours.

BANK IS CLOSED.

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Every piece of Eiderdown, Astrachans and Bear skin cloth reduced in price—there's all the staple and dainty shades in the lines, very desirable for Ladies Bath Robes, Infants Cloaks and Cab Blankets.

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Happy New Year Greetings to All

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COMMISSION FORM OF GOVERNMENT

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The lobby of this large workroom a citizen may present his claim and receive his warrant, being spared all the annoyance of worming his way from one executive official to another...

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All other public buildings in Des. Moines have been enveloped in sensational rumors. Additional appropriations and "extras" have aroused public distrust.

ENGLISH COURSES

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OSBORN TO PRESIDE. Michigan Governor Glad to Show Courtesy to Senator.

Lansing, Mich., Dec. 30.—Gov. Osborn will preside at a meeting arranged for Senator La Follette in this city next Tuesday.

"I am glad to show the senator this courtesy," said the governor. "He is my friend, a United States senator and a candidate for the Republican nomination for President, and although we differ on some things, I am pleased to have the opportunity to welcome him to Michigan."

The Mirror contains more news and more advertising than any other paper

Church Notices

First Presbyterian Church. The services at the First Presbyterian church tomorrow will be held at 10:30 a. m. and 5 p. m.

St. Stephens' Episcopal Church. Services on Sunday as follows: Morning prayer and sermon at 10:30 a. m.

Swedish Lutheran Church. Corner Mary street and Wells avenue. Sunday school, 9:30 a. m.

Norwegian Lutheran Church. Corner of Wells Ave. and Norris St. Services Sunday morning, 10:30; evening services, 7:45; Sunday school at 12 o'clock.

Swedish Mission Church. Corner Ayer and Fannie streets. Regular services every Sunday at 10:30 a. m. and 7:45 p. m.

St. Ann's Church. Rev. Father Menard, pastor; Rev. Father Blain, assistant. Low mass at 8 a. m. High mass at 10 a. m.

St. Joseph's Church. Rev. Father Julius, pastor; Rev. Father Leo, assistant. Low mass at 8 a. m. High mass at 10 a. m.

GARRICK

To-night and Sunday 4—Big Acts—4

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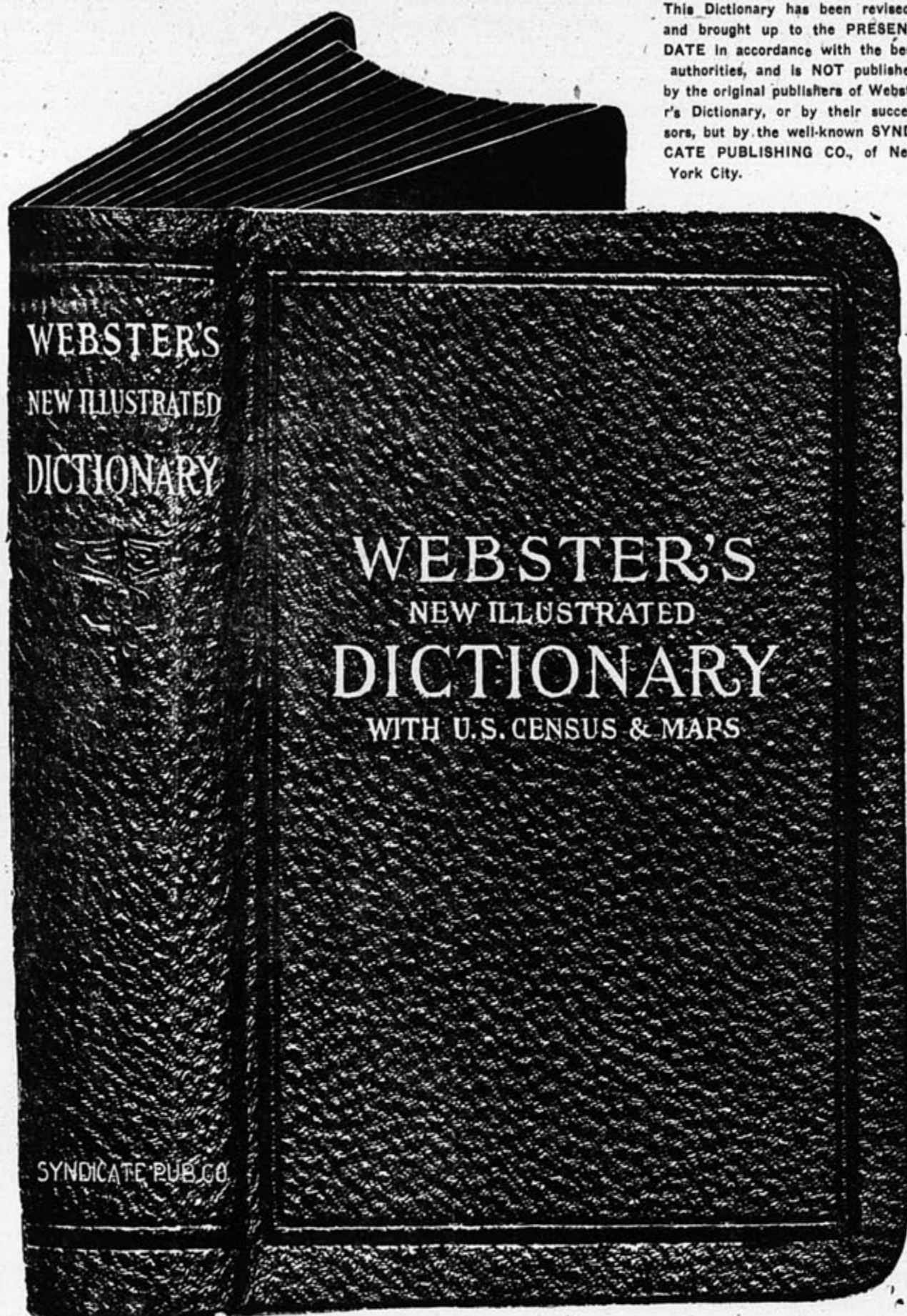
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GOING FASTER THAN WE CAN GET THEM HERE

We had thought we had fully anticipated the demand that would follow by reason of The Mirror's unprecedented offer and had a supply on hand that we believed would last us the first month. We knew a great many were clipping, but it now appears that everybody is busy cutting out the Dictionary Coupon appearing daily on another page. We were forced to wire—before the end of the first day—for an additional 500 by express and a further 1000 by fast freight. The Mirror will try to keep you supplied, but there is a limit, of course, to our publisher's capacity. Don't be among the disappointed ones that may later have to wait a few days.

GET BUSY QUICK AND CLIP SIX CONSECUTIVE COUPONS

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At the Grand



A Murder Scene as Enacted by McIvor Tyndall.

THE GRAND—Tuesday morning McIvor Tyndall the famous London psychic and thought reader will give his celebrated blind fold drive, starting from The Grand at 11 a. m. This will be done under the supervision of representative citizens of Escanaba the permission of the mayor and chief of police having been obtained for this purpose. The committee will seat themselves in a carriage drive over a route known only to themselves and will conceal some object, then return to McIvor Tyndall who allows himself to be blindfolded takes the drivers place with one hand on the shoulder of one of the committee and drives over the route just traveled by the committee and immediately finds without the slightest difficulty the secret object. This is all performed on the main streets of this city free to everyone. Be sure to be on hand. Remember there are but three days of McIvor Tyndall's engagement at the Grand. Don't fail to see him.

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