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AWFUL MINE HORROR

EIGHTY-FIVE BODIES BROUGHT TO THE SURFACE AT MONONGA, WEST VIRGINIA.

FOUR HUNDRED PERISH

Five Rescuing Parties Work Throughout the Night—Scenes of Awful Grief Enacted.

By Associated Press.

Monongah, W. Va., Dec. 7.—Five rescuing parties are working with redoubled energy this morning to reach the 315 men who they have reason to believe are still in the mine, either dead or alive, although there is scarcely a hope entertained that of the four hundred men who went into the mine yesterday one has survived the terrific explosion.

Eighty-five bodies so far have been brought to the surface and a dozen undertakers from this and surrounding towns who were on duty all night, by daylight had the bodies washed and made as presentable as possible in an improvised morgue into which one of the mine buildings has been converted.

All day yesterday women were the chief actors in most pathetic and heart-rending scenes. They crowded the sides of the hill overlooking the ill-fated mines and cried aloud. As the day advanced they became almost crazed with grief and suspense. One woman pulled out her hair in hands full at a time. Some lay upon the frozen ground and cried themselves to sleep. In this condition many were carried to their homes near by without awakening.

Slight Fire Breaks Out.

There was a slight fire inside the slope of the No. 8 mine this morning, due to the starting of a fan. The fire was extinguished after an hour's fighting and the fan is working successfully, greatly facilitating the work of the rescuers in getting into the mine.

Awful Force of Explosion.

There is much speculation as to the cause of the explosion, but the most generally accepted theory is that it resulted from black damp, scientifically known as methane. It is believed that a miner attempted to set off a blast, which blew out and ignited an accumulation of this deadly gas, and this in turn ignited the coal dust, a highly inflammable substance found in greater or less quantity in all West Virginia mines.

The explosion affected both mines and, so far as is now known, it has not been established in which mine it originated. Evidencing the terrific force of the concussion, props in the center of the No. 6 mine, supporting the roof, were not only shattered and torn from their positions, but were blown out of the entry and to the opposite side of the river.

Other evidence of the awful force is shown in every section of the mines that has been reached by the rescuers. Huge quantities of coal and rock have been loosened and hurled into every opening, and all of the underground structures are wrecked beyond the semblance of the original shape.

KING OSCAR SINKING.

Has Been Unconscious All Day and Heart Action is Very Feeble.

By Associated Press.

Stockholm, Dec. 7.—King Oscar is gradually sinking. His rallies are becoming briefer and the action of his heart is very feeble.

End Momentarily Expected.

Later.—The King's condition is now hopeless and the end is momentarily expected.

FOUR MASKED MEN OVERPOWER WATCHMAN AND GET \$2,400.

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 7.—Four masked men effected an entrance into the Southern warehouse of the Oliver Finley Grocery company here early today, after beating the watchman into insensibility and dynamited the safe, escaping with \$2,400.

Grand opening of the Majestic next week. Don't miss it. 178-tf

EVIDENCES OF BETTER TIMES.

Indications at Chicago That Stringency is Nearing Its End.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 6.—That there were many indications here yesterday that the money stringency is nearing its end. The banks reported that no withdrawal notices were being filed while many previously given were being canceled. Deposits again are on the increase. No more clearing house checks were issued during the day. On the contrary the banks redeemed large amounts of the emergency currency.

Already, with Christmas three weeks away, the volume of registered mail handled at the Chicago postoffice is 28 per cent in excess of what it was at this time last year.

While the financial stringency does not seem to have affected the sending of Christmas presents, it has shown its effect elsewhere, according to Peter Newton, secretary of the board of examiners of the United States Civil Service Commission.

"Up to two or three weeks ago," said Mr. Newton, "we had a continuous famine in postal clerks and carriers. We couldn't get applicants enough to take examinations and fill vacancies. Now, however, since some industries have been closed down or have discharged employes, we are swamped with applicants. This week an annual examination for clerks and carriers has been held and 800 applicants took the tests. Two hundred of them were women seeking places as clerks."

Cash Drawer Robbed.

The cash drawer of the Texas Telephone Company at Childress was robbed Tuesday night of this week and \$135.00 was secured by the robbers. The box was found the next day in a lumber yard in that town, while all the checks and other valuable papers, together with \$25 in bills, still in it, which the burglars had overlooked. There is no clue to the perpetrators of the robbery.

In fancy box candles there is none better than the celebrated Huyler's or Lowney's. T. B. Noble's is the only place they can be obtained. 176-tf

TAFT WILL ARRIVE ON DECEMBER 19TH

By Associated Press.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 7.—A cablegram to Acting Secretary of War Oliver received today from Secretary Taft dated at Cuxhaven, announced that he was just starting for home and expected to arrive in the United States about the 19th instant.

His Mother is Very Low.

Millbury, Dec. 7.—Mrs. Louisa M. Taft, mother of Secretary of War Taft, failed very gradually during last night and today is reported as very low.

Four Eclipses Next Year.

According to the almanacs for 1908 there will be three eclipses of the sun during the coming year. There will also be one eclipse of the moon. None of these eclipses will be visible in Wichita Falls, except, perhaps, the first one of the sun. This will occur January 3rd and is a total eclipse, visible in the southwestern part of the United States as a partial eclipse just about sundown. There is not much chance that Wichita Falls people will get a look at this phenomena, but it is the only one where there is even a chance. June 23rd an annular eclipse of the sun is scheduled, to be partially visible in the United States. Also there will be a central eclipse of the sun Dec. 23, next year, but it will not be visible here.

The only lunar appulse of the year occurs Dec. 7th. This will not be visible here.

Other things revealed by the new almanac are that New Year's Day falls on Wednesday; Lincoln's birthday also falls on Wednesday; Washington's birthday falls on Saturday, February 22nd.

Memorial Day falls on Saturday, May 30th; July 4th falls on a Saturday; Labor Day falls on Monday, Sept. 7th; Thanksgiving Day falls on Thursday, Nov. 28th.

CHICAGO SELECTED

REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION WILL BE HELD IN THE WINDY CITY.

JUNE 16TH IS THE DATE

Kansas City and Denver Were "Slow Horses" in Race for Big Republican Gathering.

By Associated Press.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 7.—The republican national committee was called to order at 10:15 o'clock this morning. Mr. Mills of Denver presented the claim of that city for the convention. Representative Lowden spoke for Chicago. Senator Warner represented Kansas City. The vote resulted in the selection of Chicago as the place for holding the next republican national convention. The vote was as follows: Chicago, 32; Kansas City, 17; Denver, 4. The convention will meet on June 16th.

Resolutions of Respect.

Whereas, it has pleased the great architect of the Universe to remove from among us our late brother, N. Weaver, and it is but just that a fitting recognition of his many virtues should be had, therefore be it resolved.

First. By Wichita Falls Lodge No. 635 A. F. & A. M., of the Grand Lodge of Texas, that while we bow with humble submission to the will of God, we do not the less mourn our brother who has been taken from us.

Second. That in the death of N. Weaver this lodge laments the loss of a brother who was ever ready to proffer the hand of aid and the voice of sympathy to the needy and distressed of the fraternity; an active member of this society whose utmost endeavor was exerted for its welfare and prosperity; a friend and companion who was dear to us all.

Third. That the heartfelt sympathy of this lodge be extended to his family in their bereavement.

Fourth. That these resolutions be spread upon the records of the Lodge and a copy thereof transmitted to the family of our deceased brother, and to each of the newspapers in this city.

L. C. HINCKLEY,
R. F. SIMPSON,
J. A. RICHOLT.

Quiet at Goldfield.

Goldfield, Nev., Dec. 7.—Everything is quiet here. The troops are not due to arrive from San Francisco until this afternoon. There are no startling developments of any nature whatsoever.

Involuntary Bankruptcy.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 7.—Involuntary bankruptcy proceedings were filed in the United States district court here today against Whitney, Stephenson & Company of this city.

The Cream Bakery wants to sell you your Christmas candies, nuts and fruitss. Their line is complete. 176-tf

Newsp Notes from Iowa Park.

Special to the Times.
Iowa Park, Tex., Dec. 7.—The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin was buried Sunday. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Clement, the Baptist pastor, at the Christian church. The family has been here only a short time, yet they had earnest sympathizers and friends in their sad affliction. Mr. Ogden and family have moved in from the farm and now occupy the Howard Hines building, which has been lately repaired and painted.

Miss Williams of Young county entered school here this week.

Mrs. Lee Clark was in attendance at the wedding of her friend, Miss Bush, Wednesday, at Wichita Falls.

Messrs. Souther and Harbour have been quite successful in hunting, having killed seven geese recently.

Rev. Von Lauterman of Kingfisher, Oklahoma, who bought a farm about six miles northeast of town, recently unoladed a car of his household goods, etc. here.

Mr. Joe Conway and family have moved to Bellevue. They will be miss-

ed in church and other circles where they were prominent.

Wednesday morning at the Baptist church the funeral service of C. B. Bledsoe was conducted by old time friend and pastor, Rev. Morgan. His death was due to a recent stroke of paralysis. Mr. Bledsoe had been identified with the growth and development of Wichita county for many years, and will be greatly missed by his many friends, who loved him and appreciated his sterling worth.

Among the many improvements recently made in different parts of the town we notice those made by Judge Kennedy, C. H. Clark, Howard Hines, Lee Allen, Mrs. Arnold, Mr. Dunn, Wm. Thompson, Mr. Paine, Mr. Small and Mr. Bell.

This is largely a town of house owners, who seem to take a pride in the appearance of their houses and are from time to time adding to their beauty and comfort.

A careful estimate shows that we have only about half the number of birds that we had twenty-five years ago, which no doubt helps to explain the prevalence of so many injurious insects. At this time of the year the birds are busy gathering weed seed and should be encouraged and protected in every way possible. The protection of birds is an economic question.

Hyde & Tanner are now placing a stock of furniture in their new building.

Mr. Lee Allen is adding much to the appearance of his house by the addition of a new coat of paint.

Five hundred and forty-two bales of cotton have already been ginned here, and cotton continues to come in.

Miss Jackson is expected to entertain the people here on the night of December 10. She is under the management of the Rice Lyceum Bureau, who guarantee her to please. A rare treat is expected.

Over three hundred dollars worth of trees, vines and shrubbery was ordered at this place from one nursery. This is an encouraging sign that means much for the development of our country. "Beautify and diversify" should be our motto.

FILLS THE COFFIN BOUGHT YEARS AGO

Gainesville, Tex., Dec. 6.—The dead body of William Boling was found this morning in the yard of his home in Delaware Bend, where the deceased resided. The cause of his death has not been ascertained, the general opinion being that he came to his death from natural causes and was not dealt with foully.

Mr. Boling was a bachelor 80 years of age, lived alone on his farm in Delaware Bend, and was well known in that part of the county. Fifteen years ago he bought a coffin for himself which he will occupy tomorrow.

The deceased, it is understood, left half of his property to Cooke county and the remainder to James A. and Horace Scott.

Train Wreckers.

An attempt was made yesterday to wreck the M. K. & T. passenger train in charge of Conductor Jeff Finlay, and the engine passed over the obstruction, but luckily there was no damage done. The obstruction was encountered at the stock pens just west of this city.

It is very clear that some one had attempted to wreck the train, as fish-plates had been placed on the track to derail the engine. The plates turned when the engine struck them and no damage was done. At the point where the plates were set, the passenger train is usually running at good speed and, if the plan had been successful the entire train would probably have been ditched.—Gainesville Messenger.

Frank Swor, Texas organizer for the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, was in town last night to complete the organization of the local of that order here.

T. B. Noble wants all Christmas shoppers to call at his place and inspect his line of cut glass, hand-painted china, fancy stationery, etc. 176-tf

THE NIGHT RAIDERS

APPLY THE TORCH TO WAREHOUSES AT HOPKINSVILLE. DAMAGE OF \$200,000.

WILD MOB RULED TOWN

Rioting Hundreds Shot Right and Left in Wild Orgy and Many Were Wounded.

By Associated Press.

Hopkinsville, Ky., Dec. 7.—Five hundred night raiders destroyed \$200,000 worth of property here early this morning. Hundreds of shots were fired and several persons were badly injured.

The citizens, in terror for their lives, feared even so much as to open their windows and the police and fire departments, telephone and telegraph offices and even the railway stations were in the possession of a wild mob shooting right and left. The flames from the burning buildings meanwhile lighted up the city and the surrounding country until it seemed that the whole town was ablaze. Windows in front of the business houses and the banks on the main streets of the city were shot out and the entire front of a newspaper office which has been especially severe in condemnation of the raids of the night raiders, and one which was owned by the mayor of the city, was demolished. Fortunately only two men were injured, one of them being Lindsay Mitchell, a tobacco buyer, who was severely beaten with switches and clubs, and the other, a brakeman, who was shot in the back while trying to remove a train from the path of the flames.

Bitter Warfare Raged.

City Tax Collector Harry Robertson, who was formerly a resident of Hopkinsville, when told of the raid this afternoon said he was not surprised at the news. There were two tobacco houses at Hopkinsville, he explained, which are owned by the tobacco trust. The Dark Tobacco Growers' Association members hold the bitterest enmity for these warehouses and their representatives. The object of the growers' association is to hold the crop from the market until the buyers are compelled to give them a fair price. As the tobacco trust controls the market, the fight between the growers and the trust has been waged bitterly and the association growers have, in many instances, organized bands of night raiders which attack and burn the trust warehouses.

At Princeton, Kentucky, last year the night raiders made a similar attack upon the warehouses. Upon reaching the town the raiders first went to the telegraph and telephone offices and closed them, giving the operators a safe escort to their homes. They then took possession of the railroad station to prevent communication with the outside world and started their work of destruction. After burning the tobacco warehouses they silently took their departure and no successful prosecution has ever been made against them.

Archer City's New Preacher.

The Rev. J. N. Julien, the new preacher for the Methodist church, made his initial address to a large audience on last Sunday evening. Mr. Julien is a young man with two years experience in pastoral work, but has the appearance of an earnest and live young man, and judging from his first introduction, with the earnest co-operation of his people he will doubtless have a very successful year. It is to be hoped that he will get an early hold upon Archer's young people and mould a class of ambitious, moral people. To this end, let the older element of the community render assistance, without which no one can succeed, and Archer City will be proud of her young people.—Archer City Reporter.

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AT THE CHURCHES

M. E. Church South.

Regular services will be held tomorrow. Sunday school at 10 a. m. Morning worship at 11 a. m. Junior League at 3 p. m. Senior League at 7 p. m. Evening worship at 7:15 p. m. The public is cordially invited to attend these services and all will be made welcome. J. A. STAFFORD, Pastor.

First Presbyterian Church.

Rev. J. J. Dalton will be in his pulpit at the First Presbyterian church tomorrow at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. It is desired to have every member present at the morning service. Friends and strangers are cordially invited to attend. The music will be especially good at both services. Sunday school convenes at 9:30 a. m. The growth of the school has made it necessary to organize two or three new classes. Let all members of the school be present. Christmas services are being arranged for and the efforts of all are desired to make it a success.

The Christian Church.

Bible school at 9:45 a. m., W. J. Bullock, superintendent. Communion and sermon by the pastor at 11 a. m. Election of officers at this meeting. All are urged to be present. Juniors meet at 3 p. m. Mrs. A. Q. Aten, superintendent. Seniors meet at 3:45 p. m., Miss Bessie Claggett, superintendent. There will be preaching at Kemp school house at 3:30 p. m. Preaching at 7:15 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. All cordially invited and visitors and strangers made welcome.

A. J. BUSH, Pastor.

Episcopal Church.

The Church of the Good Shepherd, corner of Lamar avenue and Eighth street. Rector, Rev. Charles A. Eaton. The Second Sunday in Advent (Bible Sunday). 9:30 a. m., Sunday school. 10:30 a. m., The Right Reverend Alexander C. Garrett, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of Dallas, will make a visitation. The Bishop will preach the sermon, administer the Apostolic Rite of the "Laying on of Hands," and celebrate the Holy Communion. 7:30 p. m., evening prayer and sermon.

Ministerial Association.

All the ministers in town, whether in charge of churches or not, are called to meet in the First Presbyterian church Monday morning at 10 o'clock for the purpose of organizing the association for the winter months.

First Baptist Church.

The usual services will be held at the regular hours at the First Baptist church tomorrow. Rev. W. F. Fry will preach at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.

First Methodist Episcopal Church.

At the court house Sunday, Dec. 8th, 1907. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The public is cordially invited. R. E. FARLEY, Pastor.

TAFT MEN ALARMED.

Believe Conspiracy is Being Formed to Fasten Nomination on Roosevelt.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 7.—That a conspiracy is being formed to fasten the nomination upon President Roosevelt is the conviction of nearly every one who has mingled with the members of the republican national executive committee, and the politicians, who, like camp followers, are here with them. The friends of Secretary Taft are alarmed because of the apparent determination of men who are potent in the councils of the party to renominate the president, and some of them, as they discover the plans that are being made, even doubt the president's loyalty to the man whom he has appointed as his successor.

As a candidate for the presidency, Mr. Bryan never seemed to be so formidable as he appears to be now. The men who are booming Roosevelt for renomination are making the certainty of Bryan's nomination as their excuse by declaring that Roosevelt is the only man who can defeat Bryan. For some reason—men skilled psychology may be able to fathom it—the election of Bryan, which a few weeks ago was regarded as an impossibility, is now discussed as even a probability, and the name of Roosevelt is being used by these party chieftains as a thing with which to conjure against what they regard as that calamity. Every man may decide for himself as to how sincere they are when they make that argument. Undoubtedly much of this talk is inspired by the office holding instinct; and it is just as certain that many of them believe that Roosevelt has got his party into such a predicament as only he can get it out of.

The members of the national committee who are urging the renomination of Roosevelt predict that the Cesarian temptation will be thrust upon him in such a way that he will not have the moral strength to resist it. It is unquestionably a fact that several members of the committee who called on him yesterday and today told him that he would be renominated despite his utmost efforts, and it is the testimony of most of them that although he has unanimously deprecated all such talk, he has done it with a smile rather than with a frown. It used to be that the president resented all such intimations as an impeachment of his sincerity; now, according to the testimony of most of those who have been at the White House within the last few days, the president manifests no displeasure when these suggestions are being made.

It was discovered this evening that an effort is being made to deprive Kansas City of the convention, notwithstanding the fact that Chicago, its only real rival, has not come with the guarantee that all the expenses of the committee and of the convention would be defrayed. Kansas City is regarded as a Taft town. Most of the men favorable to the secretary's nomination are favorable to Kansas City as the place of holding the convention, and the selection of that city would be heralded as a

Taft victory. For that reason and for the further reason that it is feared that the Kansas City environments would be advantageous to Secretary Taft, all of the members of the committee who are opposed to the nomination of the secretary are reported to have decided to vote for Chicago, trusting to its unsecured promise to defray all expenses. Whether the anti-Taftites constitute a majority of the committee cannot be determined with certainty, for the reason that several members declare themselves for Roosevelt and will express no second choice.

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Grand Jury Finds True Bill.

The grand jury yesterday returned five true bills, among which was one against John Evans for assault to murder, one against Ed. Waggoner for murder and another against C. E. Teter for forgery.

Many witnesses have been examined this week and a large batch of indictments are expected to be returned before the grand jury adjourns for the Sunday recess this afternoon.

Before making your Christmas purchases visit T. B. Noble's book store and confectionery, where you will find the largest and best selected stock of Christmas presents in the city. 176-1f

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Wichita Falls, Texas, Dec. 7th, 1907.

Timid bank depositors should certainly be reassured by the reports of the condition of the national banks at the close of business on December 3rd. These reports, which are now being published in the newspapers over the country, show that the banks generally are in a splendid condition and that the recent flurry has caused them to build up a formidable reserve, which makes them almost impregnable in their solidity. Of course, in the process of building up this reserve, a few banks which were already weakened, have been forced to suspend, but their suspension, instead of making financial conditions unsteady and unsafe, it is asserted, will actually have the effect of clarifying the financial situation and restore conditions to a more safe and firmer basis. The Times is glad to note that the banks in Wichita Falls, as shown in the reports just issued, are in a splendid and absolutely safe condition and have ridden through the recent financial storm untouched by the adverse winds. The banks at Fort Worth, Dallas, and throughout the State generally, are in splendid shape, with immense cash reserves on hand, and there now seems no reason why the commerce and development of the great Southwest should not be speedily resumed to its old basis.

There is a vast difference in the editorial columns of the leading papers of today and during the financial panic of 1893. At that time both the leading Republican and Democratic papers attributed the financial troubles to Cleveland's administration—because he issued bonds in time of peace. The present administration, which is Republican, is highly commended for doing the same thing, not only by the Republican, but Democratic papers as well. All agree that Roosevelt, J. P. Morgan and John D. Rockefeller are entitled to the credit of "saving the country." The government, which has permitted gamblers in cotton to purchase the raw product at the actual cost of production—about \$60 per bale—and sell it back to the producer in the shape of the finished product at about four times the original cost of the raw product, is commended in the highest terms as a "safe and sane" administration. The man who is a producer and has not got sense enough to see where he is being discriminated against, deserves but little sympathy.

The farmer is not the only man who has made money this year. The dispatches tell us that "for saving their country" during the recent financial flurry, both J. Pierpont Morgan and John D. Rockefeller added a few dimes to their already modest fortunes.

If you want to be real generous this Christmas, do your best to make a suitable remembrance to some worthy person who you are almost sure everyone else will overlook.

The Saloons are to Obey the Laws.

Editor of the Times:—

I was much pleased to see in the Times last evening that those who voted to retain the saloons in our midst are going to "see that the officers enforce the laws" and that "the saloon men want the laws enforced." This is surely right and obligatory upon those who retained the saloons by their votes as they, by so doing, assumed the responsibility for the evils of the saloon business in our midst. But, if the saloon men want the laws enforced, why do they keep their front doors blinded in open violation of the law? The law plainly says "He shall place no screen or other device, inside or outside of his place of business that will obstruct the view through the open door into the house." This law is being violated, we know, by most of the saloons in our city every day and hour. And this being true, those of us who do not go inside to see what is being done there conclude that violations are going on there also. It is evident that they are selling to habitual drunkards. Men get drunk today and go back and get drunk tomorrow. It looks hard to me, however, to license the saloon man to sell liquor and then restrict him from selling to those who are his best customers. Does this look fair? If the business is a necessity in keeping the town alive and prosperous, then it seems reasonable that those who thus think should be willing to furnish their boys for customers. One of the officers of the Ohio State Liquor League, in an address before his association, said:

"It will appear from these facts, gentlemen, that the success of our business is dependent largely upon the creation of an appetite for drink. Men who drink liquor, like others, will die, and if there is no new appetite created our counters will be empty, as will our money drawers. Our children will go hungry, or we must change our business to something more remunerative. The open field for the creation of this appetite is among the boys. After men have grown and their habits are formed they rarely change in this regard. It will be needful, therefore, that missionary work be done among the boys, and I make the suggestion, gentlemen, that nickels expended in treats to the boys now will return in dollars to your tills after the appetites have been formed. Above all things, create appetites."

This statement is true. It is the boys and young men who, have not formed the habit of drink that prohibition is designed especially to protect. But if our citizens who are now responsible for the liquor traffic in our midst will stand by and urge the officers to enforce all the laws governing the business and, all others will obey the laws governing the sale of merchandise or doing business of a secular character on Sunday, we will soon see a great improvement in the morals of our city.

Now, if our saloon men mean what they say, we will expect to see their front doors wide open rather than have "peep holes" in front and that the man who got drunk on yesterday will be sent home without the scent of whiskey on his breath today; and that our boys will be secure from temptation to drink and drunkenness. All good citizens will rejoice in this and our officers and citizens generally. Even the saloon men will have better consciences. Yours for the enforcement of the law,
A PROHIBITIONIST.

Our neighbor on the west, Wichita Falls, has voted to swing onto her jag. The pros made a mistake by planting that election so close before Christmas. Early in January, when all the booze fighters were filled with headache and remorse, would have been the time.—Henrietta Independent.
Probably if those towns which have voted local option had enforced the law, Wichita Falls might have given a majority for local option. In our campaign, the anti's, in order to back up their assertion that "prohibition would not prohibit," invariably cited Henrietta and Bowie as examples and the pros could not successfully contradict these assertions.

The Missouri woman who "shot her husband because he did not come to supper on time" has set a bad example for other wives. Usually for such offenses, we men folks get off with a curtain lecture!

The members of the Wichita Falls Local of the Farmers' Union are holding a meeting this afternoon. The purpose of the meeting has not been made public.

Shelled pecans, Texas oranges, Malaga grapes, King & White. 178-1f

Look for announcement of the opening of the Majestic next week. 178-1f

CHRISTMAS

Will soon be here, each and every department is now ready for Christmas

The advent of December serves to remind us that Christmas is almost here again. Active preparations must now begin. The matter of selecting remembrances for members of the family, as well as your friends must soon be attended to, and the sooner the better. We announce our readiness in all departments for Christmas shoppers. We are receiving daily by express and now have them on exhibition a great line of new Japanese and Mexican Drawn Work, Embroidered Linens, Combs, Bags, Belts, Collars, Furs, Silk Scarfs, Ties, Mufflers, Gloves, Ladies' and Men's House Shoes, Silk Hose, Table Linens, Napkins, New Imported Fans and Ladies' Embroidered Linen Handkerchiefs at 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00 to \$2.50 each. Don't forget that we have thousands of other gifts. Come and look through.

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BLUE STEEL
SIX EYE RANGE with high closet only
\$30.00

Everything in **HARDWARE**
ROBERTSON-RUSSELL N'DW. CO

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FIREARMS, SPORTING GOODS,
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LICENSED EMBALMERS

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Your Lot in Life

May be all the more pleasant if you will investigate the the 5-room house we have for sale close in for one thousand dollars; \$300 cash and the balance in easy monthly payments. It will be worth your while to pay us a visit before you buy. We can sell you a home cheaper than you can buy the lumber.



BEAV & STONE.

BEGINNING SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1907

MY ENTIRE STOCK OF DRESS GOODS, SHOES, NOTIONS, CLOTHING, UNDERWEAR, BLANKETS, QUILTS, MEN'S AND BOY'S HATS, IN FACT EVERYTHING IN THE STORE WILL BE OFFERED AT A GREAT REDUCTION.

NOTE THE WONDERFUL REDUCTIONS FOR CASH:

All our \$1.50 Dress Goods at	\$1.15	All our 25c Dress Goods at	20c	Ladies' 65c Union Suits at	50c	One lot of \$2.00 Quilts at	\$1.50
All our \$1.25 Dress Goods at	95c	All our \$1.50 Underwear at	\$1.10	Ladies' 35c Vest and Pants at	25c	One lot of \$1.75 Quilts at	\$1.50
All our 85c Dress Goods at	70c	All our \$1.00 Underwear at	75c	Children's 35c Union Suits at	25c	One lot of \$8.50 Blankets at	\$5.00
All our 75c Dress Goods at	60c	All our 75c Underwear at	50c	Children's 25c Hose at	20c	One lot of \$5.00 Blankets at	\$3.90
All our 65c Dress Goods at	50c	All our 50c Underwear at	40c	Children's 20c Hose at	12½c	A big lot of Children's Suits and overcoats at cost and less than cost. Men's and Boy's Hats at your own prices.	
All our 50c Dress Goods at	40c	All our 35c Underwear at	25c	The Reduction is Greatest in Shoes		A big lot of boy's two-piece Underwear cut from 35c to.....	
All our 35c Dress Goods at	25c			One lot of \$3.50 Quilts at	\$2.75		

Several Dress Patterns at Cost for CASH. One lot of Silk Waist Patterns at cost for CASH. See our stock of Dress Silks at the cut prices. \$1.50 silks at \$1.25, \$1.25 silks at 95c; 75c and 80c silks at 60c. A BIG LOT OF TRUNKS MUST BE SOLD.

V. G. SKEEN

ANDERSON & PATTERSON,

[Successors to Anderson & Bean.]

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Represent 36 of the best, the strongest and the most reliable and liberal Fire Insurance Companies in the world.

We Write all Kinds of Insurance

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WANT ADS.

RATES.

One cent per word for first insertion; one-half cent per word for each consecutive insertion. Cash in advance. No advertisement inserted in these columns unless accompanied by the cash.

FOR RENT—One furnished room, close in. Apply at the Times office.

WANTED—A good milk cow. Call at O W. Bean & Son's grocery store. 174-4f

ROOMS for Rent—To gentlemen or ladies. Baths included. Neatly furnished. Apply at 1301, Lamar avenue and 13th street. 116-3t

BUSINESS for Sale—We wish to retire from business and offer for sale a business that will pay dividends from the first day. We will sell part or all on time, as long as you want, if good security is given, and give you time enough to pay for your stock out of your profits. If you want a ready made business, come to see us. Ferguson & Tankersley. 177-3t

WANTED—Fifty students to enroll with us before January 1st. In order to do this, we will allow a liberal discount on all scholarships sold before December 10th. Don't fail to investigate this remarkable offer. Wichita Commercial College. 173-4f

PREACHES HARMONY.

Bryan Commends Roosevelt for Adoption of Democratic Principles.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 7.—Hailed by 10,000 Illinoisians at Freeport last night, fresh from a party reception in Chicago, in which all elements of the party joined and of which harmony was the keynote, William Jennings Bryan entered upon his presidential campaign in earnest today.

Mr. Bryan was greeted in Chicago and Freeport as "the next president." He prescribed party unity in Chicago and at Freeport, and he outlined a party policy which was accepted as the substance of the next Democratic national platform.

Mr. Bryan gave strong commendation to President Roosevelt for those ideas which are alleged to have been usurped from the Democrats and he agreed strongly with the president on the Postal savings bank suggestion as prompt and ever ready relief for such a financial situation as has lately confronted the nation.

Mr. Bryan preaches party harmony definitely and directly. His remarks were accepted in many quarters as first-hand proof that differences between himself and Roger C. Sullivan are practically at an end.

Opening of the Maestic next week for benefit of the Woman's Guild of the Episcopal church. 178-11

Oxford fruit cakes, also material for making them, at King & White's. 178-4f

Hear Mr. L. J. Anderson, the Majestic's new singer, at their grand opening. 178-11

GIVE US A TRIAL—OUR STOCK WILL PLEASE YOU

We Sell
 Lime, Cement, Brick.
 Unexcelled Malthoid Roofing.
 Moulding, Doors, Windows.
 Barb wire and Nails.
 Everything in Lumber.
 Red Picket Fence.

J. S. Mayfield Lumber Co.

PHONE 28.

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First National Bank

Wichita Falls, Texas

CAPITAL, SURPLUS AND PROFITS \$115,650.00

Regardless of the amount of your banking business we want it. We have facilities for handling real estate paper

Don't Close Your Building Contract

Till you get our figures on both
CONCRETE and LUMBER

PHONE 233

Arthur Reed & Co.

Hot and Cold Baths—Competent Workmen. Polite Attention—Prompt Service

Williams' Barber Shop

BEN WILLIAMS, Proprietor.

THE LEADING SIX CHAIR SHOP IN THE CITY

SEVENTH STREET.

Wichita Falls, Texas

1837

1907

**70 Years Without
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Is the Record of Bridge & Beach Stoves

**COAL BILLS REDUCED 25 per ct.
 COMFORT INCREASED 100 per ct.**

By Using Bridge & Beach Stoves.

One to two cars, sold each year for the past twelve years without a complaint, is the record of Bridge & Beach Stoves in Wichita Falls. Show us a better one.

KERR & HURSH

**Best McAlister Lump and
 Nut Coal at**

Wichita Ice Company

Phone No. 6

P. C. MARICLE, Manager.

JUST RECEIVED, CAR OF

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MOORE & RICHOLT

WE MAKE THE BEST LINE OF

TIN ROOFING!

Galvanized Iron Cornice, Sky Lights, Flues,
 Guttering, Spouting and Well Casing. :: ::

All Work GUARANTEED and PROMPTLY DONE

BURGESS & Co., at Moore & Richolt's old stand.

SATAN'S OLDEST PHOTOGRAPH

The oldest picture of Satan has been found on the Badwater River, in the Shoshone Valley, Wyoming. It is known to have been 10,000 years ago at least, and it is probable that it was fashioned fully 50,000 years ago.

The picture—or the photograph, as it is called by the discoverer—was unearthed by Assistant Curator H. I. Smith, of the American Museum of Natural History.

It is a wonderful find, for it shows that the men who existed on this continent long before the history of the Jews began had a conception of evil spirit, and this leads to the thought that the same men had an idea of a good spirit and meditated upon the influence these had upon human beings.

This photograph was carved in rock and shows the ravages of the elements upon it for centuries. The work of the prehistoric artist is still visible, however.

The figure shown is that of a dwarfish figure, very demoniacal in appearance, standing in an attitude of menace. It is undoubtedly the artist's idea of the same evil spirit which men now call Satan, which the Persians called Ahriman and which the Greeks knew as Diabolos.

It is known positively that the carving is not that of the Indian tribes of later times, for the marks of the elements are sufficient proof to disprove this idea, were it put forward.

DALTON GOES BACK TO TULSA.

Visits Spot Where Coffeyville Bank Robbery Was Planned.

Tulsa, Ok., Dec. 7.—Back to the scene where the Coffeyville bank robbery was planned came Emmett Dalton, the ex-bandit, recently pardoned from the Kansas penitentiary, where he was serving a life sentence for his part in the Coffeyville affair.

Dalton is the guest of Scout Younger, a cousin and member of the Younger family. Dalton complains of his wounded arm, received in the Coffeyville raid, and is on his way to a hospital in Kansas City for treatment. He says Tulsa, as he remembers it, was a straggling "cow town" of a hundred people, mostly outlaws.

Who first used iron? A writer in the Chicago Record-Herald says: "It used to be held that man's first use of iron was in Africa, or if not there, then certainly in Asia. Europe was regarded in this as in most other matters, as a borrower of culture from the east. In recent years evidence has been found tending toward a different conclusion, and at the recent meeting of the British Association Professor W. Ridgeway made a strong argument, which received at least partial endorsement from the members of the British Association to the effect that iron was first used in Europe. Professor Ridgeway's argument rests largely on his assertion that everywhere else iron appeared in use suddenly without any transitional stages, but that in the Hallstatt culture in Europe it can be seen coming gradually into use. In the finds from this region iron appears at first to decorate bronze, then to give a cutting edge to swords; next it replaced bronze weapons, and was finally used in new forms of its own. The fact that early Egypt had a name for iron was explained as due to the fact that the ore, hematite, was used by the Egyptians for beads and axes, and reasons were given for believing that the common use for iron began much later elsewhere than it did in the Hallstatt region. Flinders Petrie, discussing the iron finds in the Egyptian tombs, mentioned a specimen that dated back to 4700 B. C., but showed that early Egypt offered only sporadic instances of the use of iron, and that very probably what the Egyptians had was native iron, while the smelting of ore was not known to them until 4,000 years had passed after their first use of it, and that then their knowledge came from Europe. Compared with the two adjoining continents primitive Europe is comparatively barren of known achievement, and if Professor Ridgeway's position can be sustained a little step will have been taken toward establishing balance among the early civilizations."

Call at the Cream Bakery and inspect their line of boxed fruit candies, made especially for the Christmas trade. A handsome hand-painted medallion with each box. 176-1f

Buy one dollar's worth of Capitol Stock and Poultry Food from the Wichita Grain and Coal Co., and get a prize. 174-1f 52-1f

Toys of every description are now on display at T. B. Noble's confectionery and book store. 176-1f



SANTA CLAUS' HEAD-QUARTERS!

EVERYTHING imaginable in Xmas Presents for young and old, including new ideas and new goods that others haven't. Our stock of Dolls, Hand Painted China, Leather, Pipes, Games, Cut Glass, etc., is the cheapest in town. Give us a call and you will be surprised at the immensity of our stock and the RIDICULOUSLY LOW PRICES.

REMEMBER SANTA CLAUS' HEADQUARTERS IS AT

MATER-MAGNER DRUG CO.

INDIANA AVENUE.

NEXT TO FIRST NAT'L BANK

all interest is focused on Christmas

And what line of business would you say receives most attention? Guess jewelry and you'll guess right. It occupies the first place in the heart of all young and old.

Don't let OUR display escape you.

Months ago we decided to be in a position to say to Xmas shoppers—"Here is a Christmas Jewelry display that for size, for merit, for variety, for generous values DEMANDS your attention."

now we say it--- and every word of it is the truth.

It is certain that we have never invited the people to view an offering quite as tempting. The price range of presents reaches from a few cents to hundreds of dollars. It includes articles to make glad the hearts of all.

our invitation to visit us is extended to all. That means you

Take your time to view our showing thoroughly. Ask about qualities. Get prices. Find out all you wish about everything in which you are interested. It's none too soon to do the choosing. We are glad to lay aside all selections.

A. S. Fonville,
The Jeweler.

A Story From India.
An Indian merchant wished to dispose of an old elephant and took it to a fair. As soon as he had arrived he noticed a man who, without saying a word, began to walk round the animal, examining it attentively on all sides. The merchant became very anxious, for he feared the man had found out that his elephant was not worth much. He took him aside and whispered in his ear: "I see a customer coming. Do not say a word until I have sold the beast, and I will give you 50 rupees." The man looked at the merchant and wonderingly complied with his request. It happened that the customer had more money than sense, so he was easily taken in. When the bargain was completed and the elephant led away by its new owner, the merchant handed the 50 rupees to the silent man, saying: "Now I want you to tell me how you discovered the defect in his left leg. I thought I had concealed it so skillfully." "I have discovered nothing," replied the stranger. "It is the first elephant I have ever seen, and I wanted to know which was the head and which was the tail."

A Persevering Traveler.
A commercial traveler who is noted for his perseverance once called on a merchant and sent in his card, requesting an interview, says a western paper. Happening to glance into the office he saw the recipient tear up his card and throw it into the waste paper basket. The office boy returned with the old story that "Mr. B. was sorry, but he could not see him." The traveler, nothing daunted, requested that Mr. B. should return his card, which of course he had seen destroyed. In a minute the boy returned and handed him twopence and remarked that Mr. B. had destroyed the card and thought that this sum would cover the damage. The traveler succeeded in getting another card into Mr. B.'s sanctum, and Mr. B. read on it, "These cards are two for threepence." He got his interview, and Mr. B. became one of his best customers. London Mail.

Those who are compelled by us hate us as if despoiled of something, while those who are persuaded by us love us as if they had received a favor.—Xenophon's "Anabasis."

Farmers Bank & Trust Co.

Capital \$75,000

You are entitled to absolute safety and efficient service in the transaction of your banking business.

NO BANK can offer greater safety or better service than this bank. Your business will be appreciated and will receive our very best attention.

FARMERS BANK & TRUST COMPANY
Wichita Falls, Texas.

FOR FIRST-CLASS
Plumbing Work
of all kinds call on
A. L. TOMPKINS,
The Plumber.

He also carries a nice line of water supply goods, bath-tubs, rubber and cotton water hose, etc. Office one door south of Robertson's drug store. Estimates and information on the cost of steam heating furnished on application. Phone 61.

WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS.

Ziegler's

TIN SHOP

Pure Water

These Days is an Item Worth Considering.

We furnish everything necessary to catch and deliver rain water from the time it falls on your roof until you place it to your lips pure and clear.

We Know How.

Better SEE US About it.

L. H. LAWLER,
—WILL DO YOU—
Barber Work
To suit you; and can give you
A Hot or Cold BATH

Hair cutting, 35c
Shave, 15c
Shampoo, 35c
Bath, 25c

GREAT CONSOLIDATION SALE!

A MIGHTY BARGAIN EVENT

It's a sale of such magnitude and scope as has never before been placed before the shopping public of Wichita Falls and vicinity. We promised you wonderful bargains during our Great Sale. We told you we would give more and greater values than had ever before been offered a discriminating people. We asked you to come and witness the truth of our advertisements and the magnificent throng that is frequenting this GREATEST OF ALL SALES, and the immense amount of goods that we are selling, is conclusive evidence that we are fulfilling our promises to the letter. The crowds literally swamped us yesterday, and today has been a repetition of the first day of our business—many people returning time and again for additional purchases. The public is wise these days; they know this is a genuine sale at a glance, and the way they have been snapping up our bargains is a caution. Nothing like it has been seen in Wichita Falls before.

THIS SALE WILL CONTINUE TO DECEMBER 24th.

And it will be pushed with vigor and determination. We have a great stock of goods and there will be no let up to the bargains till the last day.

Silks Greatly Reduced For Monday and Tuesday.

Make it a point to be the first to choose from this great sale of Silks, attractive, handsome Silks, perfect in style, just the materials you want. Come early Monday morning expecting to buy High Grade Silks cheaper than ever before and you will not go away disappointed.

60c quality, Wash Silks, all colors—come here Monday and Tuesday and take as many as you like at a yard.....	39c
One lot of 27-inch Mercerized Silk Novelties was 50 to go flying Monday and Tuesday at yard.....	39c
Our entire line of fancy Silks, 27-inch wide the very best \$1.00 quality, going at yard.....	83c
One piece of 36-inch Black Taffeta Silk, \$1.00 value the world over, selling here Monday and Tuesday, the yard.....	83c
36-inch Black Silk—our regular 75c quality, goes Monday and Tuesday at a yard.....	59c

Money Back Silk For Less Than You Have Ever Bought High Grade Silks Before

DON'T FAIL TO BE HERE MONDAY and TUESDAY.

36-inch Black Taffeta \$1.50 quality Monday and Tuesday at per yard.....	\$1.23
36-inch Black Taffeta \$1.75 quality Monday and Tuesday at per yard.....	\$1.49
36-inch MONEY BACK SILK, the 2.00 quality Monday and Tuesday at per yard.....	\$1.69

Gypsy Hosiery For Ladies and Children.

One of the prettiest lines in the city to select from—every pair in the house on sale Monday and Tuesday at a reduced price.

Misses Ribbed Hose, real 10 cent values, on sale Monday and Tuesday, per pair.....	7c
Ladies plain Black Hose, real 10 cent value, going Monday and Tuesday at, per pair.....	7c
Children's Extra Heavy Ribbed Hose, on sale Monday and Tuesday at, per pair.....	12c
Extra good quality ladies Black Hose, on sale Monday and Tuesday at, per pair, 22 and.....	15c
Ladies Fancy and Black Lace Hose, 75c quality, on sale Monday and Tuesday at, per pair.....	58c
\$2.25 Ladies plain black Silk Hose, very special, Monday and Tuesday at, per pair.....	\$1.98

Towels.

Large Huck Towels Monday and Tues.....	4c
Extra Large Huck Towels.....	9c
Extra Large Turkish Bath Towels, each.....	19c
Colored border towels only.....	19c

Children's Cloaks Reduced.

All Children's Cloaks reduced for your inspection. Don't fail to be here early Monday morning.

1.25 coats reduced to \$.....	.98
2.85 coats reduced to.....	2.39
5.25 coats reduced to.....	4.39
7.00 coats reduced to.....	5.98



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Gypsy



is the Best

Consolidation Sale Woolens.

These incomparable bargains should lead hundreds of eager buyers to our Dress Goods Counters early Monday morning. It's an opportunity you'll not equal again. Select material for your Suit, Dress or odd Skirt before the best bargains are gone.

All 50c Wollen Goods, reduced for Monday and Tuesdays Sale to.....	39c
All our \$1.00 Wollen Goods reduced for Monday and Tuesday sale to.....	83c
All \$1.00 Velvets reduced for Monday and Tuesdays sale to.....	83c

Heatherbloom Petticoats.

Heatherbloom Petticoats, Black, Red and Brown. Good imitation of Taffeta Silk. The \$2.95 on sale MONDAY and TUESDAY at.....

Zaina Petticoat, comes in black only. A bargain for the price. 1.65 quality, each at.....	\$1.89
1.25 kind will go in sale on next Monday and Tuesday at only.....	\$1.39
	\$1.08

Great Price Concessions in The Ladies Suit Department

Considering the wonderful assortment of New Goods that are to be found in this department already priced for less than heretofore should indeed force immediate sale of everything.

NOTE THESE REDUCTIONS

All Ladies \$13.85 Coats reduced for Monday and Tuesday to.....	\$10.50
All Ladies \$12.38 Coats reduced for Monday and Tuesday to.....	9.85
All Ladies \$9.85 Coats reduced for Monday and Tuesday to.....	7.85
All Ladies \$17.45, Fancy Silk waterproof coats reduced to.....	13.85

Many Pretty Things Suitable for Xmas Gifts All at Greatly Reduced Prices.

Ladies Kid Gloves, Silk Handkerchiefs, Ladies' and Men's Neckwear, Side and Back Combs, Furs, Suit Cases, Shirts, Ladies' and Men's Underwear, and Silk Petticoats, all reduced. Don't fail to visit our store Monday and Tuesday and remember the BIG SALE continues until December 24th.

Phenomenal Sale of Little Things

The savings are remarkable on these items. You can buy four or five items for the price of one.

Good quality of thimbles 2c
Darning Cotton, spool 2c
Hooks and Eyes, card... 3c
3 cakes Toilet soap for... 7c
Samsilk, all colors, spool 5c
Knitting Cotton, ball... 3c
Extra-large Kid curlers... 8c
Small size kid curlers... 4c
White Tape, per Roll... 2c

Lace Curtains.

1.50 lace curtains, pr... \$1.33
3.25 lace curtains, pr... 2.98
5.00 lace curtains, pr... 4.39



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Boarding House and Hotel Keepers, Attention

Monday and Tuesday you will have the greatest opportunity ever offered you to lay in a supply of blankets, comforts, and lace curtains. Note these prices and come early Monday morning. We are going to make Monday and Tuesday two of the biggest days of our great Consolidation Sale.

10x4 grey cotton Blankets, reduced for Monday and Tuesday to, the pair.....	67c
11x4 Grey Cotton Blankets Monday and Tuesday at, a pair.....	90c
11x4 Grey Cotton Blankets, extra heavy, selling Monday and Tuesday, a pair.....	\$1.12
10x4 Heavy Cotton Blankets reduced to.....	\$1.57

Two Specials on Comforts.

You will have to hurry if you get in on this deal as our stock of these goods is limited.

All 1.00 Comforts go Monday and Tuesday at.....	90c
All 2.75 Comforts reduced Monday and Tuesday to each.....	\$1.98

Men's Clothing.

Our first shipment from Dalhart arrived today. We must make room for these goods which are beginning to arrive, so down go the prices and out go the goods. Every suit and overcoat in stock marked at the following reductions for this sale:

7.50 reduced to.....	5.62
23.75, 25.00 and 27.00 men's Kuppenheimer suits reduced to suit.....	\$18.95
13.50 and 12.50 suits going at.....	9.85
Men's Overcoats; 10.00 kind for 7.45; 15.00 overcoats at 11.85; 27.00 overcoats at.....	18.95

Ladies' Belts.

35c Elastic Belts, assorted colors, reduced to.....	23c
50c Elastic Belts, black, brown and blue.....	35c
1.00 brown, grey and black elastic Belts at each.....	75c
1.50 ladies' elastic Belts, greys and black, each.....	1.15
2.50 elastic Belts.....	1.95
3.50 ladies' black beaded elastic Belts go at.....	2.98

Hanan & Son, Crosset, and Star Brand Shoes for men all reduced to make room for our Dalhart stock.

We are positively going to make Monday and Tuesday two of the biggest and busiest days of the Great Consolidation sale. Don't let anything keep you away and be sure to

Be Here Early Monday Morning and Remember this Great Sale Continues Until December 24.

P. H. PENNINGTON COMPANY

THE STORE WHERE YOUR MONEY WILL BUY MOST

FRESH FROM THE World's Fashion Center

Where the brightest brains and nimblest fingers have been at work come the new styles which we are now showing in Ladies' Cloaks, Suits, Skirts, Millinery and infact our entire store is now complete.



To say it is our best showing but feebly expresses the idea. It is a harvest of all the late ideas from the best markets of the world. We can show you better than we can tell you, so come and look the lines over. :-: :-: :-:



YOURS TO PLEASE,

W. E. Skeen

A Crisis and a Craze.

There are two forces which cause modern England to move—a crisis and a craze. It is far less necessary to do something that is great now in this country than it is to do something that will attract the attention of a great many. The circumstances might have had a curious effect on the celebrated of the past could they have delayed existing until now. For instance, Shakespeare today would probably have had to attempt to swim the channel to sustain the attention of playgoers. Cromwell might have found it advisable to take trips in a "navigable balloon" to keep himself before the general public. Garrick might have elected to descend from the skies in a parachute to advertise himself satisfactorily, and it might have been necessary for the beautiful Duchess of Devonshire, to maintain her social reputation, to figure occasionally in the divorce court. Motor accidents, thefts of jewelry and of other property, fires and civil and criminal actions are, of course, more important elements in the building up and maintaining of a "reputation" among us now than is mere excellence.—London Truth.

Explosion by Mus's.

One of the most dangerous of all explosives is a black powder called iodide of nitrogen. When it is dry the slightest touch will often cause it to explode with great violence. There appears to be a certain rate of vibration which this compound cannot resist. In experiments to determine the cause of its extreme explosiveness some damp iodide of nitrogen was rubbed on the strings of a bass viol. It is known that the strings of such an instrument will vibrate when those of a smaller instrument having an equal tension are played upon. In this case, after the explosive had become thoroughly dry upon the strings, another bass viol was brought near and the strings sounded. At a certain note the iodide of nitrogen on the prepared instrument exploded. It was found that the explosion occurred only when a rate of vibration of sixty a second was communicated to the prepared strings. Vibration of the G string caused an explosion, while that of the E string had no effect.—Chicago Record-Herald.

Everything in Proportion.

For many weeks the irritable merchant had been riveted to his bed by typhoid fever. Now he was convalescing. He clamored for something to eat, declaring that he was starving. "Tomorrow you may have something to eat," promised the doctor. The merchant realized that there would be a restraint to his appetite, yet he saw in vision a modest steaming meal placed at his bedside.

"Here is your dinner," said the nurse next day as she gave the glowering patient a spoonful of tapioca pudding "and the doctor emphasizes that everything else you do must be in the same proportion."

Two hours later the nurse heard a frantic call from the bedchamber. "Nurse," breathed the man heavily. "I want to do some reading. Bring me a postage stamp."—Harper's Weekly.

Force of a Cyclone.

Careful estimate of the force of a cyclone and the energy required to keep a hurricane in active operation reveals the presence of a power that makes the mightiest efforts of man appear as nothing in comparison. A force equal to more than 400,000,000 horsepower was estimated as developed in a West Indian cyclone. This greatly exceeds the power that could be developed by all the means within the range of man's capabilities. Were steam, water, windmills and the strength of all men and animals combined they could not even approach the tremendous force of this mighty power.—Chicago Journal.

Word Derivations.

"Disaster" is an astrological term meaning "unfavorable star," one of the many words that astrology has bequeathed to the English language. "Predominant," "ill starred," "in the ascendant," are other instances, not to speak of the expression "My stars!" Even "influence" is really astrological, signifying the fowling in upon human affairs of the power of some heavenly body. "Petrol" and "petrol" both descend from "petra," a rock. "Petrol" comes directly enough through "petroleum," "rock oil," but "petrol" through St. Peter, after whom the bird was named because it appeared to walk upon the waves.

The Wheelbarrow.

The farmer's son looked up from the sporting page. "By heck," he said, "I wish we had one o' them there hossless carriages." "We have," returned the farmer, "and now that you mention it, you might jest as well git it and fetch up a load o' turnips from the three acre lot."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Courage.

"Henry is a brave man. The other night his wife thought she heard a burglar." "And he went down?" "No. He had the courage to tell her he was afraid."—Circle.

Don't Cook Supper Dish.

For Swiss eggs, a delicious supper dish, spread the bottom of a baking dish with two ounces of butter. Cover this with thin slices of American cheese. Place four eggs over the cheese, taking care that the yolks are not broken. Season with pepper and salt, pour around the eggs two table-spoonfuls of rich cream and cover the top with grated cheese. Bake it for ten minutes, garnish with parsley and serve with fingers of dried toast.—New York Tribune.

Training.

"Why, Nettie," said her mother, "what in the world are you pounding your doll with your father's slipper for?" "Because she refuses to obey me mamma," replied the little miss. "I'm not going to have the neighbors saying that I spared the slipper and spoiled my child."—Exchange.

He Dodged.

"So Borroughs owes you money? Well, I think he'll pay you back some day, but you can't make him hurry." "Don't you believe it. The mere sight of me walking along the street has made him hurry several times lately."—Philadelphia Press.

The Sniffing Britisher.

The cold, self contained Britisher is mostly a dreadful fiction, and in situations that seem to him at all emotional he grows as snifflingly weepful as any matinee miss.—Sydney (N. S. W.) Bulletin.

His Dream.

The Colonel—Do you believe in dreams? Little Jones—No. I married one!—London Opinion.

Some trains of thought do not carry much freight.—Philadelphia Telegraph.

There is nothing which appeals to a man who indulges in the habit more than a good cigar or a pipe, and he generally likes to be surprised with a box of cigars or a nice pipe Xmas morning. Noble has the goods that will please him. 176-17

Be sure to read the display ad of the W. F. Jourdan Furniture Co. in this issue. It will solve the Christmas present problem for you. 174-d&w-17

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PERSONAL MENTION

R. W. Hannaway of Dallas is in the city.

George B. Ansell of Electra was here on business today.

F. P. Warren of Iowa Park was transacting business here today.

Walter Allen returned last night from a business trip to Texarkana.

L. M. Guggenheim of St. Louis is in the city looking after business interests.

Rev. J. W. Morgan of Iowa Park was in the city transacting business today.

J. B. Evans, a prominent farmer of Iowa Park, was here on business today.

J. L. Powell returned yesterday from Ennis, where he had been on business.

J. Markowitz returned yesterday from Marlin, much improved in health.

Oscar Young of Seymour is in the city visiting his sister, Mrs. Fred Carter.

E. A. McCleskey of Iowa Park was transacting business in the city today.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Scott of Burkburnett were shopping in the city today.

Claud Woods has accepted a position as bookkeeper at the City National bank.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Helton of Iowa Park were among the visitors in the city today.

Henry Ford, one of Holliday's staunch citizens, was here today on business.

Frank Schnell, a prosperous farmer from Petrolia, was transacting business in the city today.

George Knight, one of the leading citizens of Iowa Park, was transacting business here today.

J. P. Hart, county surveyor of Archer county, was in the city today on his return home from Brownwood, where he had been visiting relatives.

Phil D. Cook of Salt Lake City, who has been visiting his mother, Mrs. Flora P. Cook, and other relatives in this city for the past two weeks, left for his home this afternoon.

P. A. Fisher of Day Station was in town today on business.

James Sullivan of Lynn, Massachusetts, is in the city visiting his uncle, Mr. John Sullivan, and family.

E. M. Rogers, manager for the Southwestern Telephone Company of this city, is visiting relatives in Pilot Point.

Clarence Clapp, who has been attending school at Fayetteville, Arkansas, has returned to his home in this city.

R. H. Cook, the hustling merchant at Electra, and also justice of the peace at that place, was a visitor here today.

Messrs. W. B. Walker and Sam Shaw, two prosperous farmers who live near Petrolia, was here on business today.

Mrs. L. D. Rhodes left today for Alford, at which place Mr. Rhodes, who is a railroad man, is located for the present, and has charge of the construction train on the DeWier.

Mrs. J. W. Cobb and children, who formerly lived at the 21 Ranch, left this morning for Carterville, Mo., to spend Christmas with relatives. Mr. Cobb is here loading their household goods for shipment back to Missouri, where he will probably re-engage in the hardware business.

Ex-Sheriff W. J. Howard returned yesterday from a several days trip over the northwest portion of the county, and says that he has never before seen conditions as promising as now for a bumper wheat and oat crop. The acreage is smaller, however, this year than usual. Mr. Howard has been a resident of Wichita county almost from its organization and is considered authority on crop conditions.

County Commissioner E. A. Dale, who lives near the Red river in the northwestern part of the county, was in town today looking after business matters. Mr. Dale states that he has just finished gathering his corn crop of about 4,000 bushels. He has his wheat sowed and now finds time to go hunting for wild geese. He reports that the geese are flocking along the river and in the bottoms in great numbers.

Our selection of ideal Christmas presents is large and interesting. We have on display a grand collection of watches, silverware, rich cut glass, hand painted china, the latest gold and silver goods at prices below their usual value as an inducement to the shrewd cash buyers—an opportunity to buy high grade ware at money saving prices. These goods are from the leading makers, first class in every respect and so guaranteed. Don't delay. Come early. We have no old styles carried over from last year. Everything fresh and new. Harrington & Heath, next door to postoffice. 177-3t

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