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RECOVER 30 BODIES

IT IS BELIEVED THAT NONE OF THE TWO HUNDRED MINERS ARE ALIVE

NIGHT WAS MADE HIDEOUS

Uncouth Hungarians Celebrate Their Escape and Drown Their Grief In Drunken Orgy.

By Associated Press.

Jacobs Creek, Pa., Dec. 20.—Of the two hundred or more miners who were made prisoners in the Darr mine of the Pittsburg Coal Company by the terrific explosion at noon yesterday, the bodies of thirty this morning lie in the main entry, where they were tenderly laid during the night by the rescuers until they could be brought to the surface. Some of the bodies are dismembered, mangled, and all are distorted by the agonies of a violent death, and disfigured by the concussion and smoke of the explosion. Faint though it is, the hope is cherished by the rescuers and grieving friends and relatives that some of the men survived the explosion and are awaiting release far back in the mine. For this reason the rescuers did not take time to bring the bodies out, but continually pressed forward, their only aim being as quickly as possible to open the passages and to explore every section of the mine.

Beginning this morning, the bodies located during the night will be brought out as rapidly as possible while the search continues.

Foreign miners who escaped death in the disaster made the night hideous in the little village. Many who were intoxicated before the catastrophe afterwards put themselves in a worse condition. Some are drinking in celebration of their escape, while others are drinking to drown their grief over the death of relatives or friends. All night there was continual carousing, the disorder at times bordering closely upon rioting.

Cause of Explosion Unknown.

By Associated Press.
Jacobs Creek, Pa., Dec. 20.—Up to 11 o'clock today but six bodies had been removed from the Darr mine. The exact number of men entombed when the explosion occurred is still uncertain, but there is no reason for a change in the earlier estimates of at least two hundred. The cause of the explosion is still unknown.

Story of the Explosion.

Jacobs Creek, Pa., Dec. 20.—It was just 11:30 o'clock when the tenth trip of loaded cars had been brought out to the tipples and there came an awful rumbling sound followed immediately by a loud explosion and a concussion that shook nearby buildings and was felt within a radius of several miles. At the same time there came out of the mouth of the mine an immense cloud of dense smoke and dust that floated across the Yonahgosheny river.

Intuitively everyone in the vicinity knew what had happened and all started for one place—the mouth of the mine. The river separates the mine and the homes of many of the miners, so that only a portion of those who started for the scene were able to reach it, there being scant facilities for crossing the stream. To those who

GOVERNMENT REPORT

SHOWS 9,281,077 BALES.

By Associated Press.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 20.—The census bureau today issued a bulletin showing that the total amount of cotton of this year's growth in the United States ginned up to December 13th was 9,281,077 bales, compared with 11,112,789 bales at the same date last year, and 9,297,819 for the same period in 1905. The total number of active ginneries was 27,152.

could not cross the water, the smoke and dust pouring from the mine's mouth told a story of seething flames back in the workings, and from this source came reports that were portentous until late in the day, that the mine was burning. The ventilating fans were kept in operation almost without interruption, however, the power plant having withstood the force of the explosion and up to this time the rescuers have found no fire in the mine.

As far as known only one man who went to work this morning escaped. Joseph Mapleton, a pumper, emerged from one of the side entrances shortly after the explosion. He had left the part of the mine where most of the men were working and was on the way to the engine-room for oil.

"I was in entry 21," said he, "when I heard an awful fumbling. I started toward the entry, but the next instant I was blinded and for a little time, I did not know anything. Then I got to the side entry and worked my way out."

Mapleton was somewhat cut and bruised, but after going home and having his injuries dressed, he returned to the mine and joined the rescuing parties.

BLEW WOMAN'S HEAD OFF.

Negro Boy Fooled With Gun He Didn't Know Was Loaded.

Denton, Tex., Dec. 19.—A negro boy by the name of Pitts was shot and instantly killed at Pilot Point, this county, today. Tom Rolls, a negro boy 13 years old, was arrested. Rolls says that he and the woman were playing with the gun and that he snapped it at her, supposing that the weapon was unloaded. The entire right side of the woman's head was blown off.

COURT HOLDS SECRET SESSION.

Sensational Testimony in Harden-Moltke Libel Case—Public Barred.

Berlin, Germany, Dec. 20.—Prince Phillip zu Eulenberg and Frau von Elbe, divorced wife of General Count Kuno Moltke, and Frau von Heyden, mother of Frau Elbe, testified "in secret" in today's hearing of the Harden-von Moltke libel suit, the court having decided in the interest of public morality to require the exclusion of all persons not immediately connected with the court.

Carlisle Cannot Come.

Judge M. F. Yeager received a telegram from former State Superintendent J. M. Carlisle this morning stating that it would be impossible for him to come to Wichita Falls to fulfill his engagement before the teachers' institute tonight. For this reason the night session of the institute scheduled for tonight will not be held and the teachers will close the meeting at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Notice to Shippers.

Shippers are hereby notified that beginning with Monday, December 23rd, freight will not be received by the M. K. & T. and the Fort Worth and Denver, Wichita Falls and Northwestern and the Wichita Valley railways after 5 p. m. G. L. Moore and M. A. Bundy, agents. 189-5t

WIRELESS MESSAGE FROM BATTLESHIP FLEET.

By Associated Press.

On Board Flagship Connecticut, Thursday Noon.—By wireless telegraph to San Juan, Porto Rico.—The fleet at this hour is five hundred miles north-east of the island of St. Thomas. The weather is fine.

To Open Bruce's Grave.

By Associated Press.
London, Eng., Dec. 20.—The Home Office has consented to the opening of the grave of T. C. Bruce in Highgate cemetery, shortly after Christmas, to settle the question whether the coffin contains his body or a roll of lead.

The first passenger train was run over the Wichita Falls and Southern yesterday, when a special was run from this place to Archer City to carry a party of about twenty prospectors out to the Club Ranch for the J. P. Bryan Land Company. 189-1t

CRIMINAL DOCKET

WILL BE TAKEN UP IN DISTRICT COURT ON JANUARY 20th.

SUMMON 200 VENIREMEN

Four Cases That Will Come Up May Be Punished By Death Penalty Special Venires are Called.

Sheriff Davis will be quite busy during the next week issuing service upon two hundred special veniremen and a venire of one hundred and twenty men for the petit juries.

The special venire of two hundred men will be used to make up the juries to try Los Stearns and G. H. Fisher on charges of rape, and Ed. Waggoner and Will Bennett on charges of murder. As the charges in these cases involve capital punishment, a special venire must be had.

The criminal cases in the district court will be taken up on January 20th.

NUMBER OF BALES GINNED.

National Ginners' Association Figures Crop Ginned at 9,283,000 Bales.

The report of the National Ginners' Association on the number of bales of cotton ginned to December 13th was issued yesterday, showing a total of 9,283,000 bales. The government report issued today shows 9,281,077 up to the same date.

The National Ginners' Association report by States is as follows:

Alabama	960,000
Arkansas	581,000
Florida	44,000
Georgia	1,626,000
Louisiana	506,000
Mississippi	1,150,000
Missouri	25,000
North Carolina	521,000
Oklahoma	677,000
South Carolina	1,029,000
Tennessee	207,000
Texas	1,991,000
Virginia	6,000

The crew of an early train this morning discovered a man lying beside a camp fire in the cut east of Iowa Park, suffering from bad burns. The man gave his name as Pardue and said that his home was in New Mexico. The only theory by which his burns can be accounted for is that he either rolled into the fire during his sleep or that a brand of fire fell upon his body. The man claims that when he went to sleep last night he had \$47 in cash in his trousers pocket. The pocket was burned out and Pardue believes that he was robbed and then set on fire by tramps.

Strictly Cash.

On account of the financial stringency, we are compelled to put our business on a cash basis. We positively will not sell feed or coal to any person without the cash either before or upon delivery of goods. Customers will please govern themselves accordingly. 180-1f WICHITA GRAIN & COAL CO.

Did you ever think what an appropriate Christmas gift for your wife an all cotton felt mattress would make? We have them from \$4.50 to \$18.50. North Texas Furniture and Coffin Co. 189-1f

A Washington dispatch states that Congressman Stephens, who has been indisposed for several weeks, is at Atlantic City to get the benefit of the salt air.

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Warning Notice.

All persons are hereby warned that the discharge of fire works within the fire limits, as prohibited by ordinance, will be prosecuted. R. V. GWINN, City Marshal. 187-1f

Dressed hogs at 7 cents for delivery after January 1st. Address M. W. Boger, Jolly, Texas. 189-18t

Blind Man and His Faithful Dog at the Majestic tonight. 189-11t

PASS RADICAL RESOLUTION.

Labor Meeting Declares Packers Must Pay Better or Be Boycotted.

Fort Worth, Tex., Dec. 19.—Members of the union labor organizations to the number of 500 held a mass meeting at Labor Temple tonight and adopted a radical resolution as follows:

"Until the packing houses of North Fort Worth notify the public that they propose to pay living wages to all wage earners and cease the importing of pauper labor; resolved, That we cease buying their products."

Plans were formulated for co-operation among union men during the present so-called stringency and a committee appointed at the last meeting reported in favor of patronizing home industries to the exclusion of all else. Every union in the city was reported united to take the initial steps to form a merchants' and manufacturers' association to work to this end. The committee to draft a plan for this work will report at a mass meeting to be held next Monday night.

ILLINOIS CENTRAL ELECTION POSTPONED.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 19.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Illinois Central was postponed tonight by order of Judge Ball of the superior court until March 2. The stock transfer books of the company are to be closed the day preceding that on which Judge Ball is to hand down his decision in the injunction suit now pending, and are to remain closed until the postponed meeting finally adjourns.

In the meantime transfers of any portion of the 281,321 shares of stock affected by the injunction suit can only be effected subject to the right of the court to require into their genuineness.

TAFT REACHES NEW YORK WOULD NOT BE INTERVIEWED.

By Associated Press.

New York, Dec. 20.—Secretary of War Taft arrived today on the steamer President Grant, after his journey around the world. He was accompanied by Mrs. Taft and their son, Charles. When seen on board the President Grant at the quarantine station, Mr. Taft said that he was not prepared to talk on any public questions.

COTTON GOES UP

On the Strength of the Government Report, Issued Today.

Upon the strength of the government report this morning showing 9,281,077 bales ginned up to December 13th, cotton made an advance of 28 points, but later fell back 14 points, closing this afternoon at 13 points above yesterday. Good middling cotton was selling on the streets this afternoon at around 10 1/2 cents.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, MOB HUNTING FOR NEGRO BRUTE.

By Associated Press.

Columbus, Ohio, Dec. 20.—A mob of armed men, including a squad of mounted policemen, are after the negro who assaulted Mrs. W. B. Hershey, wife of the president of the Excelsior Seed Company. He grabbed her while she was in a cellar and stuffed a rag in her mouth. She was found by neighbors in an unconscious condition.

EVERY MAN OF THE CREW BELIEVED TO HAVE PERISHED.

By Associated Press.

Westbrook, Conn., Dec. 20.—An unknown two-masted schooner was captured and sunk two miles off this place today. It is thought that every man of the crew has perished.

BANKER ABSCONDS.

Reported That Chicago Banker Has Fled With \$60,000.

By Associated Press.
Chicago, Ill., Dec. 20.—It is reported that an officer of the private bank at Bryn Mawr and Evanston Avenue has absconded with \$65,000 of the funds of the bank.

Think of it! A 2-lb can of peach, pear or apricot preserves for only 30c. Try a can. You will be pleased. TREVATHAN & BLAND.

ANOTHER DISASTER

EXPLOSION OF DYNAMITE IN A POWDER MAGAZINE KILLS OVER A HUNDRED.

BUILDINGS COLLAPSED

From the Awful Force of the Explosion in Military Magazine at Palermo, Sicily.

By Associated Press.

Palermo, Sicily, Dec. 20.—Work rescuing the persons who were wounded by the explosion last night in the military powder magazine of Palermo continued until today. Up to the present time it is known that ninety-three persons met death from the explosion and the subsequent fire and that more than one hundred others are injured.

Houses Collapsed.

Palermo, Sicily, Dec. 19.—A powder magazine containing a large supply of dynamite exploded here today, causing a terrible conflagration. A number of houses collapsed amid frightful detonations and the whole town was shaken. A panic ensued, followed by a rush to the scene of the disaster by troops and firemen. It is estimated that one hundred persons were killed.

RECEIVER FOR GLASS COMPANY.

Pittsburg Concern With More Than \$2,000,000 Capital is Insolvent.

By Associated Press.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 20.—Upon the petition of the Fairchild Pot and Clay Company, an Ohio corporation, William H. Knight was appointed receiver of the National Glass Company today by Judge Nathaniel Ewing of the United States Circuit Court, sitting at Pittsburg. The receiver's bond was fixed at \$100,000. According to the petition the National Glass Company has a capitalization of \$2,791,775, of which \$1,479,100 is in common stock and \$1,312,675 in preferred stock. The assets consist of real estate, patents, bills and accounts receivable and stock in other companies.

BROKER SERIOUSLY WOUNDED.

Man Who Shot J. H. Oliphant Committed Suicide.

New York, Dec. 20.—J. H. Oliphant, a prominent broker, was shot three times by an unknown man in front of No. 20 Broad street and is in a serious condition. The man who fired the shots is said to be a former customer of the concern. He committed suicide after shooting Mr. Oliphant.

Tax Collections are Good.

Neither the recent money stringency or the approach of Christmas seem to have affected the payment of taxes. Deputy Tax Collector Freeman is kept busy these days making out receipts for liquidating property owners. Over fifteen hundred dollars have already been collected this week and if the payments keep up at their present rate, the tax receipts by tomorrow night will reach nearly \$2,000.

Strictly Cash.

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EXCURSION TO ARCHER CITY NEXT SATURDAY.

On Saturday, December 21st,

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Arrive Archer City... 12:00 p. m.
Leave Archer City... 2:00 p. m.
Arrive Wichita Falls... 3:30 p. m.
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Inspiration that will help you in your great work of bringing "more light" to the minds of that large class of children who are of necessity slaves of that cruel monarch, "King Cotton."

The plan that appeals to me as the most practicable and the one by which the most good may be done to the largest number is that of making the daily agricultural lesson a general exercise for the whole school. Thirty or forty minutes is not too much time for this general lesson.

The ingenious teacher may make this exercise so interesting that no pupil will ever be absent if he can help it. The topics considered should be arranged to correspond with the work usually progressing on the farms in the neighborhood at that time.

The study of seed might occupy a few weeks in the fall, while the farmers are gathering the corn, cotton and other crops. It is at this time that seed should be selected and properly stored for next year's crop. If all the farmers had used last year only properly selected seed of the best varieties it would have brought them many thousands of dollars more money.

In the fall and winter land for spring crops should be deeply plowed and fertilized. Why? Most farmers plow to kill weeds and get loose dirt to cover the seed with. The educated farmer knows that when he does these things at the proper time and in the proper manner that he is manufacturing food for the plants he expects to grow there and incidentally destroying millions of insects that would prey on his crops if left to themselves.

The winter is the best time to consider birds and animals in their relation to agriculture. It is at this time that the bloodthirsty sportsman is abroad in the land, and the boy with a gun, feeling the savage instincts of early ancestors, longs to kill something. Their innocent victims are generally the best friends the people have.

Many birds and animals long considered harmful to man have been proven to be his best friends, laboring by night and by day to destroy his real enemies. Owls live chiefly on rats and mice and do not kill chickens. There are only three kinds of hawks that do more harm than good. The toad is the gardener's best ally. The small spotted civit or hydrophobia cat should be killed at every opportunity, while the common skunk is one of the very best friends the farmer has in the animal kingdom. The farmer who does not think enough of his poultry to protect them against midnight prowlers of all kinds deserves to lose them.

In the spring the school garden and the testing of seed are interesting and of vital importance and are practicable subjects for the school room. Principles of agriculture may be illustrated easily and at very little expense that will never be forgotten and be of inestimable value. That class of children who so often make life miserable for the teacher may become interested and apt students in tangible subjects that they can see and handle.

Some teacher may be asking himself: "How can I teach any part of this in addition to what I am now teaching, from higher mathematics and theologies down to a-b-a-b."

I would say cut out a lot of it. Throw overboard a lot of the old iron and other dead weight that schools have been burdened with these many years, and take up instead real, live, beautiful, breathing things. Instill into the child a desire to learn and then teach him how to learn, and you will have done your full duty. Your pupils will remember you gratefully as long as they live.

When children are taught to acquire knowledge by studying the living beautiful things around them and with which the majority of necessity earn their living, instead of so much of that that tends toward the commercial grind, a new and better era will begin. The brighter boys and girls will be educated toward nature and the farm instead of away from them. The earning capacity of farmers and their capacity for happiness will be increased manifold. Better and more beautiful homes will result, and with them a better, wiser and happier people.

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Men's \$22.50 Suits, going at	\$15 00

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 3. We have contracted with a lumber company to furnish us, for our horse, sawdust at 3 cents per day and we paid that in advance.
 4. We oiled our wagon yesterday.
 5. We have left off our grocery bill at home.
 6. If any of our friends can suggest any other extravagant habits we have fallen into, we will leave same off at once.
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8:40	27.06	KELL 13.6	28	3:35
9:30	14.0	BURKBURNETT 7.3	14	2:35
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Ladies' \$27.50 Suits go at.....	18.50
Ladies' \$32.50 Suits go at.....	19.95

Christmas Presents.

USEFUL AND APPROPRIATE.

We are showing a grand line of Head Scarfs, Handkerchiefs, Drawn Work, Men's Ties, Suspenders, Silk Hose, Ladies' Fancy Collars, Purses, Combs, Fancy House Slippers, Mufflers, Gloves, Men's Fine Shirts, and Silk.

Wichita Daily Times

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Wichita Falls, Texas, Dec. 20th, 1907.

Wichita Falls people ought to send a large delegation of citizens over to Archer City tomorrow to join with the people of Archer county in celebrating the event of the opening of the Wichita Falls and Southern railway for traffic. The opening of the road means much, not only to the people of Archer City, but to Wichita Falls as well, for it will make a large area of country tributary to this city in a commercial sense. The most friendly relations have always existed between the people of Archer and of Wichita and the opening of the railway should make the pleasant relations that exist even more friendly. Of course, it is inconvenient for a business man to get out of the city on Saturday, but all who can do so ought to go on the excursion Saturday and enjoy the hospitality of the Archerites.

When you go off to spend the holidays with relatives or friends in distant States, don't forget to put in a good word for grand old Texas—particularly Wichita Falls and Wichita county. Tell the truth. Tell them that Wichita Falls is the coming commercial, railroad and manufacturing center of the Northwest part of the biggest and grandest State in the Union, and that Wichita county soil will produce crops of wheat, oats, corn, cotton and feedstuffs in a single year, (when properly tilled and cultivated) that will sell for a price equal to the value of the land. You will not have to stretch the blanket to do this, as any number of instances can be cited where it has been done.

W. S. Warren has filed notice of application for a liquor license at Burkburnett, this being the third application that has been filed with the county court for a business of that character at Burkburnett.

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

Don't take our word for it, but try a can of our Richelleu "Roly Poly" red pitted cherries. They are equal to the fresh fruit.

TREVATHAN & BLAND.
New program at the Majestic tonight. 189-1f

A barrel of new pickles, small, crisp and sour. King & White. 178-1f

Quaker Reflections.
The pink of propriety—a maiden blush.

WANT ADS.

FOR SALE—One delivery wagon and harness cheap. See Mrs. J. W. Black, 903 Travis avenue. 186-6f

FOR SALE or Trade—Three lots, good six-room house, barn and other improvements, comparatively new; close in. I will take good team and milk cows in on deal and will give a bargain if sold at once. See A. B. Hancock. 2-2t 186-6f

Senior Class Entertained.

The senior class of the high school and a few of their friends were entertained at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Morris last night. After several hours had been spent playing games, they were ushered into the dining room, where dainty refreshments were served.

Indian made moccasins and many other Indian curios to be had at reasonable prices. North Texas Furniture and Coffin Co. 189-1f

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. 176-1f

We have it. What? A large line of Xmas novelties in the way of small remembrances at this store. North Texas Furniture and Coffin Co. 185-1f

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-1f

In fancy box candies there is none better than the celebrated Huyler's or Lowmyer's. T. B. Noble's is the only place they can be obtained. 176-1f

Sensational program at the Majestic tonight. 189-1f

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

Change of program at the Majestic tonight. 189-1f

We have it, regardless of price. Who? North Texas Furniture and Coffin Co. 185-1f

Big horse race tonight at the Majestic. 189-1f

All new at the Majestic tonight. 1f

W. H. H. THATCHER

STOVES, SHELF HARDWARE AND TINWARE

If one gets worsted the other does. The rich and the poor share the same at Thatcher's Hardware Store. You will find at my place a well assorted stock of Hardware goods at fair prices. Please come and see me, examine my goods, investigate my methods of business and if you are pleased you will buy.

GOOD NEWS

To the Men and Boys of Wichita Falls,

OUR 25 PER CENT DISCOUNT SALE STARTS TODAY!



A Bona Fide Reduction Sale on all Men's and Boys' Clothing just in time for Christmas. Owing to the depression in trade for the past few days, we are compelled to unload our Fall and Winter line of Clothing, our stock being entirely too large at the present time. This gives you an opportunity to buy Suits and Overcoats at an unusual saving in price.

Our stock represents all the latest fall styles. Every garment is reduced. None reserved. Our 25 per cent discount sales are legitimate, to say the least. When we announce a Reduction Sale we mean it. Now's your opportunity. Come early for the first selection. 25 per cent discount on all Boys' Clothing, on all Boys' Trousers as well as Men's. We have just received a large shipment of Shoes and Stetson Hats which we will sell at cost while the 25 per cent discount sale is on our Clothing. All Underwear Shirts and Furnishing Goods at a great reduction.

\$10.00 Suits Reduced to	\$ 7.50
12.50 Suits Reduced to	9.40
15.00 Suits Reduced to	11.25
20.00 Suits Reduced to	15.00
22.50 Suits Reduced to	16.90
25.00 Suits Reduced to	18.75
27.50 Suits Reduced to	20.65

Collier & Hendricks

MEN AND BOYS' OUTFITTERS

SINGER SEWING MACHINES.

Phone W. A. McClellan's residence if you want to BUY or RENT a MACHINE. Machine Needles, or oil. REPAIRS ON HAND. W. A. McClellan,

Decorated oil burning lamps, hand painted Japanese china and numerous other things for Xmas. Come and see us. North Texas Furniture and Coffin Co. 185-1f

E. M. WINFREY

Dealer in FIREARMS, SPORTING GOODS, BICYCLES AND SEWING MACHINE SUPPLIES—FINE POCKET CUTLERY.

General Repairing a Specialty

Agents RACYCLE, best Bicycle made Indiana Ave. Wichita Falls, Tex

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

L. H. LAWLER.

—WILL DO YOUR—

Barber Work

To suit you; and can give you

A Hot or Cold BATH

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

Extra good sweet mixed pickles in barrel. King & White. 178-1f

PRICES TALK!

ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS COME AND SEE

HERE THEY ARE:

\$55.00 Side Board at	\$35.00	One Fine Piano	\$195.00
\$31.50 Dressers at	\$22.00	\$35.00 Folding Bed	\$23.00
\$37.50 Buffet at	\$25.50	\$15.00 Folding Bed	\$11.00
\$60.00 Quartered Oak Bed-room Suit at	\$40.00	\$5.00 Wicker Rocker at	\$3.00
\$60.00 Wardrobe at	\$45.00	\$22.50 Leather Rocker	\$16.00
\$50.00 Wardrobe at	\$38.00	And EVERYTHING ELSE you want at the RIGHT PRICES.	

**COME QUICK!
BEFORE THE BEST IS ALL SELECTED**

YOURS TO PLEASE

W.F. JOURDAN FURNITURE CO.

THE HOME FURNISHERS

Indiana Avenue,

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Wichita Falls, Texas

Teaching Agriculture in the Common Schools

By W. D. Bentley—Read Before the Clay County Teachers' Institute.

In obedience to the emphatic demands of the agricultural interests of this great State of ours, the Thirtieth legislature passed a law requiring agriculture to be taught in the public schools.

The formation of public sentiment leading up to the demand for this law has been so evident during the last two years that the teacher who had foresight enough to discern coming events has been fitting himself for the new work that is now necessary.

A few teachers in Clay county have been making efforts to teach agriculture, but my observation is that the larger body of teachers have given the subject little thought or study and now find themselves up against a proposition for which they are poorly prepared, to say the least. Not that they are in any wise to blame. It is simply a case where awakened public senti-

ment, feeling the need of a great reform, has crystallized into law before the machinery necessary to carry it into successful effect has been invented.

The pressing need just now is the arrangement of a systematic practical course of study, presenting the simplest and most important truths and beauties of the science of agriculture in a manner so that they may be taught effectively to that very large majority of children who will never see the inside of a high school or college.

Until that practical course has been prepared and until teachers are required to thoroughly qualify themselves in the science of primary agriculture, the work will never be properly done as contemplated by our recently enacted law.

What to do and how to do it right

THE ONLY WAY

TO GET A WELL MADE, STYLISH

**Suit, Overcoat,
Fancy Vest, or
Pair of Pants**

Is to have them made to fit you by ordering them from your Tailor.

WE KNOW HOW

to make them. If you don't believe it, ask some of our customers. We have a large variety of new patterns to select from.

J. M. HOOPER,
THE TAILOR.

Don't Close Your Building Contract

—Till you get our figures on both—
CONCRETE and LUMBER

PHONE 233 Arthur Reed & Co.

now is doubtless the problem that most of you are anxiously considering.

The best way to learn to teach agriculture is to teach it, or, to put it differently, to lead your school in the study of it. One who has not learned how to acquire knowledge on any subject, when he finds himself in need of it, is poorly educated though he may be a graduate.

I would suggest that you avoid trying to go too deep into agricultural science, but confine the work to the simplest farm propositions.

There are several fairly good text books on agriculture for common

school work and their publishers might be willing to give teachers a copy, or at least make a very low price for sample copies.

The best, cheapest and most reliable source of information is the various publications of the Department of Agriculture. In these publications, free for the people, lie a great fund of valuable agricultural truths secured at a great cost, that is being utilized only to a limited extent.

There is no problem relating to agriculture that is not being carefully studied by practical scientific men and the result of their discoveries published in bulletins in plain simple lan-

Some of the New Dried Fruits we can Supply you with

The 1907 crop of Evaporated Fruits are now ready for you and while the price is a little higher than last year, the same as all other groceries, still the quality is exceptionally good.

- Fresh, bright and tart Apricots..... 35c
- Golden Yellow Peaches..... 18c
- Plump, fat Prunes 10c to 15c according to size
- New Seeded Raisins, large and meaty..... 15c
- New Currants, fresh and well cleaned..... 15c

Among the various Dried Fruits that the market affords the Fig and Date hold first place very easily. They are the most healthful and most easily digested of any fruit and will do more towards keeping the stomach and bowels in good healthy condition than any quantity of medicine.

- We have new Crown Oriole Figs at..... 25c
- California Figs at..... 10c
- Fard Dates at..... 12 1-2

Nutt, Stevens & Hardeman

SOLE AGENTS

FURNITURE FOR CHRISTMAS

As Furniture is the most sensible and useful gift, and a constant reminder of the donor, why not give something of this character rather than some trifle that has no utility or useful quality. We wish especially to call your attention to our line of Hand Painted Jap China which can be had at one half the customary price of such goods. Make your selections now. We will guarantee prompt and careful delivery at Christmas time.



The Rug critic we welcome to see our fine line of Rugs, Axminster, Saxony and Pap Taps, 9x12 and smaller from \$14.00 upward.

LAMPS

We have on display the finest line of oil burning decorated Lamps upward from

\$1.75

CENTER TABLES

Highly Polished Oak Center Tables. Values \$3.50 now

\$2.50



Make your Christmas an especially merry one by having a new supply of whatever is lacking—or shabby looking in your present stock of household Furniture or Carpets. New things brighten up the home for the holiday season and give it a more cheerful appearance. We have a very large stock to select from in Parlor, Dining Room and Bed Room Furniture, all of new and artistic design, and made in the most substantial manner. Our prices are strictly reasonable in every department.

North Texas Furniture & Coffin Co.

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 \$6.50 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	12 1/2 c	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	25c	

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

Appropriate Xmas Gifts

100 piece China Dinner Sets, Tea Sets, Salad Dishes, Etc.

Edison Electroliers and Lamps

Something new. Call and examine our stock.

Safety Razors, Pocket Knives Scissors, Etc.

A Majestic Range will please your wife.

KERR & HURSH

ANDERSON & PATTERSON,

(Successors to Anderson & Bean.)

FIRE INSURANCE

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

Fire, Life, Tornado, Health, Accident, etc. Fire Insurance policies taken out with us cover loss by lightning. We respectfully solicit your business.

ANDERSON & PATTERSON,

Phone 87. 7th Street, Wichita Falls, Texas.



CHRISTMAS HYGIENE.

While not generally included in the season's festivities, is nevertheless a most important factor in household economy. An up-to-date bath room and lavatory is no longer to be considered an expensive luxury. Improved methods of manufacture have greatly reduced their cost. A Christmas present to your family will be thoroughly appreciated by all.

A. L. TOMPKINS, The Plumber.

The largest line of Xmas goods in Wichita Falls on display at
Mater-Magner Drug Co.

For Reduction of Cotton Acreage.

The Texas delegates to the called meeting of the Farmers' Educational and Co-Operative Union of America, to be held at Memphis, Tenn., January 7th, will work to secure a reduction of 25 per cent in the cotton acreage of the country next season. This decision was reached by a conference of the members of the executive committee in Fort Worth several days ago.

Strictly Cash.

On account of the financial stringency, we are compelled to put our business on a cash basis. We positively will not sell feed or coal to any person without the cash either before or upon delivery of goods. Customers will please govern themselves accordingly. 180-ft WICHITA GRAIN & COAL CO.

The J. S. Mayfield Lumber Company complimented the Times with one of its pretty 1908 calendars this morning. This makes the third new calendar the Times has received during the past week. We can use a few more.

Notice to Shippers.

Shippers are hereby notified that freight will not be received at the M. K. & T. and the Fort Worth and Denver depots after 5 p. m. G. L. Moore, agent M. K. & T.; M. A. Bundy, agent F. W. & D. C. railway. 188-ft

We want to remind you once more that our line of boxed candles is the best and the finest flavors made. We are exclusive agents for the Blanke-Werneker candles. The Cream Bakery. 176-ft

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-ft

In cheese we offer the best we have had for some time. Try a pound and compare it with what you are now using.

TREVATHAN & BLAND.

The stores in Wichita Falls are remaining open in the evening from now until Christmas.

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

House full of FRESH GROCERIES.

MONDAY IS THE 1ST

Give us your trade for Dec. We can fill your

CHRISTMAS ORDERS

to your taste.

MORRIS & FARRIS

PHONE 60

facts and figures

We have been asking you to believe that this is a good place to come for your Christmas remembrances. We have told you that for reasons of newness—for reasons of variety—for reasons of what you get for what you pay—it is useless to go elsewhere—near or far

it has come to a show-down

and here are the facts and figures in black and white. If you look for still further proof—it's right here in the store. Plenty of it. Enough to convince the hard to convince. Enough to put the stamp of truth on all that we have told you about what's here.

This list tells only of goods that are actually in stock, and for every item we print, there are a dozen that aren't mentioned. Only a visit will give you the right idea.

Watches Ladies' size \$8.00 to \$100.00 Gent's size, best gold filled with Elgin and Waltham \$10.00 and upward.	Cut Glass From \$1.50 to \$100.00. Now remember, this is my beautiful store come and see.
Rings Here we handle nothing but solid gold and guaranteed by me. \$2.50 to \$400.00 Solitary's.	Silverware Here I handle nothing but the best grades of Sterling and plate. Everything in Hollow and Flat ware.

And remember this space is for the address of the only first-class place to get the goods

A. S. Fonville,

The Jeweler.

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.

DON'T PAY RENT ALL YOUR LIFE

Buy your own home; do it now; instead of accumulating a handful of rent receipts at the end of the year. Apply your money to the purchase of a home and be independent.

THE WICHITA DEVELOPMENT COMPANY

Has just completed twenty-five modern cottages, of from four to five rooms each, situated from 6 to 8 blocks of the business portion of the city. For the purpose of further developing its property, the company has decided to offer for sale a number of its houses. The following is a list of the houses, with the prices asked for each:

Price List of Property Owned by The Wichita Development Co.

HOUSE NO.	NO.	STREET	PRICE	HOUSE NO.	NO.	STREET	PRICE
1	310	BURNETT ST.	\$1350.00	20	408	AUSTIN AVE	\$1250.00
2	312	" "	1650.00	21	410	" "	1250.00
3	400	Cor. 4th Bur.	1650.00	22	412	Cor. 4th Austin	1300.00
4	402	Cor. 4th Bur.	1400.00	23	500	Cor. 4th Austin	1500.00
5	404	" "	1400.00	24	502	" "	1250.00
6	406	" "	1400.00	25	504	" "	1250.00
7	410	" "	1450.00				
8	412	Cor. 5th Bur.	1700.00				
9	500	Cor. 5th Bur.	1800.00				
10	504	" "	1500.00				
11	508	" "	1500.00				
12	511	with lot 8	1600.00				
13	507	" "	1400.00				
14	505	" "	1400.00				
15	503	" "	1650.00				
16	501	Cor. 5th Bur.	1550.00				
17	413	Cor. 5th Bur.	1650.00				
18	411	" "	1400.00				
19	409	7th	1500.00				

Vacant Lots

Lots No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 Block No. 121,	Price each	\$250.00
Lot No. 4,	145,	350.00
Lot No. 10,	144,	300.00
Lots No. 4, 5, 6 "	144,	200.00
All inside lots west half of blocks No. 121, 122, 145, each		200.00
Corner lots west side same blocks		250.00
Prices on other lots on application.		

These houses are extra well built and finished; large rooms, solid concrete foundations, all flues built from the ground, all screened, wired for electric lights, a small barn goes with every house, lots 50x150 feet, running back to the alley. Liberal terms given. Reasonable cash payment, balance on monthly, quarterly, semi-annual or annual payments at 8 per cent interest. There is no better town in which to invest than Wichita Falls, and no better property in the city than this; close in, free from dust, the best of soil, well drained, and the highest land of any part of the city lying in the valley. The telephone and electric light companies are now putting in their respective lines, and the water mains will be installed in a very short time. To see the property and for full particulars, call on,

BEAN & STONE, Agents

Office St. James Hotel Block

Telephone 63

Buggies, Pianos

UNDERTAKERS GOODS
LICENSED EMBALMERS

Wichita Falls Imp. Co.

JUST RECEIVED, CAR OF

Red Picket Fence

MOORE & RICHOLT

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

"Fighting Bob" Challenged.

New York, Dec. 19.—Rear Admiral Evans' battleship fleet has already been challenged to battle and has declined the engagement.

The challenge went to the fleet from the coaster Huron, which met the fleet steaming down the coast on the first night after it left Hampton Roads. The fleet was in column of fours, and was steaming along at a good clip. The battleships did not get out of the way of the coaster and the skipper of the latter was obliged to alter his course a bit to prevent being run down. This angered the passengers on the Huron and they at once sent a wireless message to Admiral Evans, challenging his entire fleet to mortal combat. Admiral Evans did not reply to the challenge.

Shopping is on in Full Blast.

Christmas shopping is now at its height and the stores are filled with throngs of shoppers from early morn until the closing hour. And the rush will continue from now until after Christmas. All the merchants who handle holiday goods report heavy sales last Saturday and every day this week. Extra help has been added to the force in the local postoffice, but even with the extra clerks the force is almost overwhelmed with the increased volume of mail. These are busy days, too, for the express men.

Announcement.

We wish to announce that on January 15th we will move into the spacious halls over Kerr & Hursh's hardware store, which will be fitted up and furnished with modern business college equipment.

We propose to conduct a school of honest methods and genuine merit, and are prepared to give the boys and girls of this section as good business training as they can secure anywhere. Give us a trial and we will not disappoint you. Wichita Commercial College. 186-11

N. Henderson on yesterday sold to W. Neelley, a carpenter, lots 16, 17 and 18 in block 17, Jalonick addition, for a consideration of \$425. This property is located in the extreme southern suburbs of the city and the price for these lots is an advance of \$25 over what they were offered for a year ago.

Yes, Ladies.

We are the "Central Station" for bed clothing, blankets and comforts. Per pair \$1.25 to \$9.00. North Texas Furniture and Coffin Co. 185-11



THE WICHITA FALLS SANITARIUM

A modern, up-to-date institution for treatment of Medical and Surgical Diseases. Trained nurses in attendance. Corner 7th St. and Scott Ave.

Wm. Cameron & Co.

(Incorporated)

Dealers in LUMBER, LIME and CEMENT
CORRUGATED IRON AND NAILS

C. G. TEVIS, Manager

WICHITA FALLS,

TEXAS

Wall Paper, Picture Frames and Window Glass

WEIDMAN BROS.,

Agents, Sherwin-Williams Paint.

Next door to Postoffice, WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS

CUT PRICE SALES

You find many kinds and colors of marked down, cut price, special discount, per cent off and various other kinds of signs and sales. But we want to say that :: :: :: ::

WE WILL SAVE YOU MONEY

on a purchase of DRY GOODS, Ladies' Misses or Children's Skirts, Suits or Cloaks; and the prices are the lowest consistent with high class Merchandise on everything in the house. Come and we will show you.

YOURS TO PLEASE,

W. E. Skeen

gauge for free distribution to all who ask for them.

Are you annoyed by rats, mosquitoes or pests of any kind? Write to the Secretary of Agriculture. He is prepared to tell you about them and what to do. Perhaps it is birds, bees, cotton, corn, or possibly you want information about teaching agriculture in the common schools. The Department of Agriculture will be glad to send you valuable printed matter on all or any of these subjects and it will cost you only a postal card and the asking.

Each teacher should write at once to the United States Department of Agriculture at Washington, D. C., for the following lists:

1. Monthly list of department publications.
2. Monthly list of experiment station publications.
3. List of bulletins and circulars for free distribution. (Division of Publications, Circular 2.)
4. Farmers' Bulletin Subject Index (Division of Publications, Circular 4.)
5. A few good books and bulletins on nature study, school gardening and elementary agriculture for common schools. (Office of Experiment Stations, Circular 52.)

The circulars and farmers' bulletins named in these lists are free and they cover such a wide range of agricultural subjects, treated in a simple way, that the teacher will usually be able to find publications giving suggestions on almost any topic to be considered in teaching agriculture.

Another valuable source of information is the farmer himself. I would suggest that the teacher try to interest him in the work. Ask him questions. Tell him you are trying to teach his children agriculture and you don't know much about it. If he is a wise farmer he will tell you that he has lots yet to learn about it himself. If he happens to be the "otherwise" kind, he will tell you that he knows all about it, that he was "born in the cotton patch and brought up between the plow handles." You will be astonished at his vast fund of almanac agricultural knowledge. He will tell you all about the moon's phases and their relation to killing hogs, planting potatoes, and all other farm operations. But even from these you may derive

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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.

Plumbing

Steam and Hot Water Heating estimates made free. All kinds of Plumbing repairing done by practical plumbers. We also carry in stock the Eclipse and the Roberts natural stone germ proof Filters. Located at city hall building 'Phone 306.

WICHITA PLUMBING CO.



Santa Claus! Santa Claus

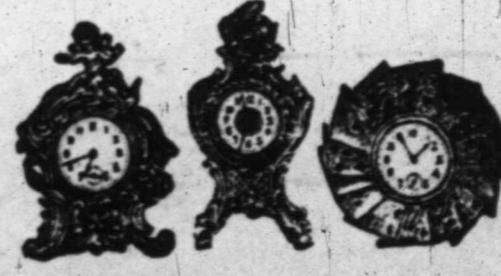
TIME HAS COME AGAIN

Are we going to remember our Sister, Mother, Father, Brother or Sweet-heart with a nice present? Everyone wants to make someone glad. We have the GLAD GOODS and would be glad to sell you something to make someone glad.

COME AND SEE US---OUR PRICES ARE RIGHT!

ROBERTSON DRUG STORE

INDIANA AVENUE



PERSONAL MENTION

Sam Huggins of Amarillo is in the city shaking hands with old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Boger of Jolly were in the city today.

W. A. Jones of Seymour was among the visitors in the city today.

J. A. Lowry of Holliday was here on business today.

Miss Ethel Moore has returned after a visit with friends and relatives at Iowa Park.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles McKeehan of Walters, Oklahoma, are visiting relatives in the city.

Jess Tagner and Mr. Abernathy, two well known citizens of Iowa Park, were in town today on business.

Clabe Burnett, a prominent citizen of Ringgold, is in the city meeting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dowlen of Thornberry were shopping in the city today.

Dr. L. P. Anason of Charlie was transacting business in the city today.

Rev. T. R. Bowles left this afternoon for Petrolia, where he will fill his regular appointment tomorrow.

W. R. Estill, a prominent cowman of Atwood, Texas, was transacting business in the city today.

Judge J. T. Montgomery went to Fort Worth this afternoon, where he has business before the court, of civil appeals.

Judge J. H. Barwise, who is in the grain business at Hartley, Texas, came down yesterday for a few days visit to his home town.

Miss Helen Beavers, who has been attending college at Waxahachie, arrived this afternoon to spend the Christmas holidays with the home folks.

Misses Lillie and Bettie Durrett of Fort Worth, who has been visiting their many friends in this city, returned to their home this afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Crites will leave tonight for Lawton, Oklahoma, where they will visit Mr. Crites' relatives during the holidays.

Mrs. Ralph Robertson is spending the day at Fort Worth.

Mrs. A. D. Wagner of Fort Worth arrived in the city this afternoon to visit her father, Mr. J. T. A. Fleming and family.

The Misses Kemp and the Misses Kell, who have been attending St. Mary's college at Dallas, returned home this afternoon to spend the holidays.

Miss Judith Edwards of Seymour, who has been attending St. Mary's college in Dallas, passed through the city this afternoon en route home to spend the holidays.

Miss Elsie Holloway of Petrolia, who has been attending the Baylor University at Waco, passed through the city this afternoon en route home to spend the holidays with relatives and friends.

Mr. Arthur Johnson, accompanied by his sister, Miss Alida, of Donovan, Ill., arrived in the city this afternoon to spend the holidays with their old friends, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Anderson.

Mrs. Robt. Kerr of Colorado Springs, Colorado, arrived in the city this afternoon and will spend the night with her friend Mrs. A. H. Carrigan. Tomorrow Mrs. Kerr, accompanied by Mrs. Carrigan, will go over to Archer City on the first passenger train to make a trip over the Wichita Falls and Southern. Archer City was the former home of Mrs. Kerr, and she had written Mrs. Carrigan to keep her informed as to the date the first passenger train would run to Archer City, promising that she would come all the way from Colorado to make the trip.

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Miss Blanche Joline, who has been attending St. Mary's college in Dallas, came home this afternoon to spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Mahaffie left this afternoon for Fort Worth, where Mrs. Mahaffie will spend the holidays with friends.

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