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THE STANDARD OIL WINS FINAL VICTORY

GOVERNMENT'S PETITION FOR A WRIT OF CERTIORARI DENIED BY SUPREME COURT.

THAT \$29,000,000 FINE

Has Been Knocked Out All Around and Stock in Standard Oil Company Goes Up.

By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., Jan. 4.—The Supreme Court of the United States today denied the petition of the government for a writ of certiorari in the twenty-nine million dollar fine case of the Standard Oil Company.

THE MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

Cotton—Liverpool.

Liverpool, Eng., Jan. 4.—Market for spot cotton, 5.07. Sales 15,000 bales. Receipts \$5,000 bales, the largest day's receipts since last spring.

Open	High	Close	
Jan-Feb.	4.84	4.86	4.86
Feb.-March	4.81	4.84	4.84
March-April	4.81	4.83 1/2	4.83 1/2
April-May	4.81	4.83	4.83

Cotton—New Orleans Spots.
New Orleans, La., Jan. 4.—Market for spot cotton steady and unchanged. Middling 8 1/2c. Sales 3,100 bales.

Cotton—New Orleans Futures.

Open	High	Close	
January	9.07	9.07	8.95-96
March	9.07	9.10	8.98-99
May	9.17	9.18	9.06-07

Cotton—New York Spots.
New York, Jan. 4.—Market for spot cotton quiet and unchanged. Middling 9.55. No sales reported.

Cotton—New York Futures.

Open	High	Close	
January	9.03	9.05	8.93-95
March	9.00	9.04	8.92-93
May	9.02	9.04	8.93-94

Chicago Grain Market.

Wheat	Open	High	Close
July	107 1/2	108 1/2	108 3/4
July	98 1/2	99 1/2	99 3/4
September	95 1/2	95 3/4	95 3/4

Corn

July	61	61 1/2	61 1/2
July	61 1/2	61 1/2	61 1/2
September	61 1/2	62	62

Outs

July	51 1/2	51 1/2	51 1/2
July	46 1/2	46 1/2	46 1/2
September	39 1/2	39 1/2	39 1/2

Fort Worth Livestock.
Cattle—Receipts 2,000 head.
Hogs—Receipts 1,600 head.
Steers—Quality fair. Market steady.
Tops sold at \$5.00.

Cows—Quality fair. Market higher.
Tops sold at \$3.50.
Calves—Quality medium. Market steady. Tops sold at \$5.00.
Hogs—Quality choice. Market was higher. Tops sold at \$5.90.

Rail Turned, Causing Wreck.
Through the turning of a rail, four cars on second No. 19, a southbound freight, played leap frog along the track a few miles south of Vernon at about 9 o'clock this morning, resulting in a delay of about five or six hours. It is reported that no one was injured in the wreck and that the damage is not serious.

The southbound passengers laid out by the accident were due to arrive here at about 4:20 o'clock this afternoon.

WANTS ELECTION LAW AMENDED

By Associated Press. Lockhart, Texas, Jan. 4.—State Chairman Storey, of the democratic executive committee today denied that he will remove his headquarters to San Antonio as reported in several Sunday papers. He says that his secretaries will take charge of his office here, and that he expects to go to Austin to seek several amendments to the Terrell election law.

Chief of Police R. V. Guinn instead of putting in an appearance at the city hall this morning, telephoned the announcement of the arrival of a new daughter at his home.

Patronize Pond's Up-to-Date Laundry. It sews your buttons on. 168-17

BEACH HARGIS RELEASED.

Slayer of Father Gives Bail—Will Go to Hot Springs.

By Associated Press. Lexington, Ky., Jan. 4.—Beach Hargis, who was allowed bail at Irvine several days ago, will be released today. Hargis will not return to Breathitt county, but will go to Hot Springs, Arkansas, where he will remain until his next trial is called in April.

Prof. Rinker is Dead.

Special to the Times. Austin, Tex., Jan. 4.—Professor Bryant Rinker of Fort Worth, who was stricken with apoplexy during the State Teachers' convention, died at 5 o'clock this morning. He was well known throughout Texas.

Bank Cashier Suicides.

By Associated Press. Detroit, Mich., Jan. 4.—Henry Potter Jr. of this city, vice president of the State Savings Bank, committed suicide at his home shortly before 10 o'clock today. Potter had been suffering from nervous prostration for some time.

Forgery is Charged.

Special to the Times. Waxahachie, Tex., Jan. 4.—Melvin Johnson is under arrest here on charges of forgery, Phoenix, Arizona, charging him with forgery. Phoenix officers are coming for him.

LINE FROM BRADY TO SAN ANTONIO

Special to the Times.

Fort Worth, Tex., Jan. 4.—Upon his return from St. Louis today W. H. Drake of the Frisco made the announcement that the Frisco will extend its road from Brady south to San Antonio. The money to build the line will come from the thirty million dollar fund which Yoakum recently announced for various improvements in Texas and Oklahoma.

Yoakum is coming to Fort Worth and the construction work will start soon afterward. The Frisco will also improve its tracks and build new stations all the way from Brady to Red River. Eight million dollars will be spent on improvements in Texas.

CARRIED OUT HIS THREAT.

Kentuckian Shoots His Wife and Then Sends Bullet into Own Body.

By Associated Press. Cincinnati, Ohio, Jan. 4.—Carrying out his threat, Clarence Oldham, a son of George Oldham, editor of the Public Ledger at Maysville, Kentucky, fired two bullets into his young wife and then shot himself above the heart. Both are in a critical condition.

SUPREME COURT SUSTAINS PRESIDENT

By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., Jan. 4.—The Supreme Court today sustained the president's right to dismiss the negro soldiers in the Brownsville raid and denied the suit of Oscar Reed to recover his salary on account of his dismissal.

Sunday Law Obeyed in Galveston.

Special to the Times. Austin, Tex., Jan. 4.—Gov. Campbell today denied that the tid was off in Galveston Sunday. The governor received a telephone message from that city this morning declaring that a moving picture show was open, but that the officers will enforce strict obedience to the closing law hereafter.

Muskogee Station Robbed.

Special to the Times. Muskogee, Ok., Jan. 4.—Burglars early this morning entered the Frisco station here, cracked the safe with dynamite and escaped with almost two thousand dollars in cash. Six masked men were on the job. A posse is pursuing and if they meet the robbers a hot battle will follow.

Another Firecracker Victim.

Greenville, Tex., Jan. 4.—Homer Henley, aged 7 years, was perhaps fatally injured today when he shot off a giant firecracker. The explosion burned his body and will likely cause the loss of both arms.

Negro Pistol Toter Fined.

Eugene Brockman, a negro, plead guilty to a charge of pistol toting before Judge Yeager in the county court this morning and was fined \$100 and costs, amounting in all to about \$120.

For good pics, use Empson's pumpkins. King & White have it. 178-17

HEAVIER SHOCKS ARE PREDICTED

FLAW IN EARTH'S CRUST IN THE EARTHQUAKE ZONE IN ITALY.

MAY BE VERY SERIOUS

American Stationed at Mount Vesuvius Predicts Serious Disturbances on January 7th and 8th.

By Associated Press. Messina, Jan. 4.—Frank Perrett of Brooklyn, assistant to Prof. Matteneo, director of the royal observatory on Mount Vesuvius, in speaking of the disaster here and in Calabria, says that other shocks are inevitable, as there is a flaw in the earth's crust, where a slip has occurred.

He predicts heavier shocks for today and declares that something, possibly very serious, may happen on January 7th and 8th, when the relative positions of the sun and moon will produce the greatest strain.

Saturday morning, fire broke out in Municipal Hall, and was communicated to the Bank of Italy, where fifteen million dollars in paper money was stored. Sailors and firemen controlled the flames, and the money was removed to a workshop.

Only Small Per Cent are Identified.

By Associated Press. Reggio, Jan. 4.—In addition to the ordinary cemetery, the prefect has requisitioned two nearby fields for the burial of the bodies of persons killed by the earthquake. The grave diggers have tried to identify the two thousand bodies, but have so far been successful with only about 3 per cent.

Up to the present time eight hundred bodies have been found in the villages surrounding Reggio.

No Epidemic Likely.

By Associated Press. Naples, Italy, Jan. 4.—No epidemic is likely to break out here, as the earthquake zone sanitary service is now well organized. There is no typhoid fever or dysentery or like disorders prevalent.

Relief Train Wrecked—Five Killed.

By Associated Press. Messina, Jan. 4.—At Nivza, between Messina and Catania, a freight train today ran into and telescoped a relief train crowded with injured persons, five of whom were killed.

Congressman Randall at Denison.

Special to the Times. Denison, Tex., Jan. 4.—Congressman Randall arrived here today from Washington on business. He will be here two weeks.

Liquor Violators to Be Investigated.

Special to the Times. San Antonio, Tex., Jan. 4.—Judge Dwyer in emancipating the grand jury today, gave a specific charge to investigate violations of the Buskin-McGregor and the anti-gambling laws. It is believed that one or more saloons were open Sunday, as drunken negroes were seen on the streets. An investigation is on.

Doings of Texans in Congress.

Special to the Times. Washington, D. C., Jan. 4.—In the House today Congressman Ward introduced a bill for public buildings at Mexia and Teague. Congressman Stephens offered a bill to regulate and further restrict the trusts. Representative Slayden offered a protest from San Antonio against the parcels post.

A BIG GAIN IN RECEIPTS

The total postal receipts of the Wichita Falls postoffice for the year ending December 31, 1908, were \$21,437.58. For the year ending December 31, 1907, the total receipts were \$16,728.01, showing an increase in the year just closed of \$4,509.57.

In 1906 the total receipts were \$11,589.10, showing a gain in two years of nearly \$10,000.

A great gain is also shown in the amount of the money orders issued. The amounts during the last three years are as follows:

1906	\$12,251.99
1907	60,279.89
1908	74,376.90

Also in the amount of money orders paid out here has there been a large increase. The records show the following amounts for the last three years:

1906	\$22,791.97
1907	42,295.71
1908	56,154.00

CHARGED WITH MURDERING WIFE

FORMER CONSTABLE COFFMAN NEAR MCKINNEY, WAS ARRESTED TODAY.

WOMAN DEAD IN DEAD

Husband Has Bullet Wound in Hand. Says Wife Shot Him and Turned Weapon on Himself.

Special to the Times. McKinney, Tex., Jan. 4.—Officers went to the home of former Constable Louie Coffman, ten miles northwest of this city, today, where they found Mrs. Coffman dead in bed. She had been shot through the head. Her husband was found with a bullet wound in his hand.

Coffman told the officers that his wife first shot him and then turned the weapon upon herself.

Coffman was arrested charged with murdering his wife, and was brought here. The family is prominent in Collin county.

The affair has created a profound sensation here and many do not believe that Coffman murdered his wife as charged.

Coffman is about 30 years of age and his wife was 28 years old, and one of the most beautiful women in North Texas. At noon the prisoner will insist that his wife fired the shot which killed her and wounded himself.

Cattle Raising in Texas.

Houston Post. The Savannah Morning News, discussing the rumored purchase by a syndicate of capitalists of some 7,000,000 acres of Texas land, apprehends a revolution in the cattle industry of the Southwest. "What will the cattle owners do for grazing fields?" it asks. "Will there not have to be adopted a new method for growing cattle? It is doubtful if there will ever be another method by which beef can be produced as cheaply as it is produced now. If cattle are raised on farms and fed with grain the cost of meat will undoubtedly advance greatly. Grassfed beef is far cheaper than grainfed beef. That is, however, a question of the future. The interesting thing now is the disappearance of the great cattle ranches of the Lone Star State. With them will go the picturesque cowboy and all the romance in which he has been enveloped."

The gradual disappearance of the great Texas ranches involves no serious problem at all. The industry is automatically adjusting itself to conditions imposed by the subdivision of the ranches into farms. The change has been going on for forty years and Texas is a greater beef-producing State than ever before. There are more cattle in the counties, now thickly settled with farmers, than there were in the ranch days. Such counties as Dallas, Parker, Tarrant, Ellis, Johnson, Comanche, Erath, Brown, Taylor, Mitchell, Tom Green and scores of others, now numbered among the great agricultural counties, have more cattle and better cattle than ever before, and this will be the case in Southwest Texas, which irrigation is now reducing to agriculture.

Texas will have grassfed beef for many years, however, not so much because the large ranches will continue to exist, but because cultivation increases the grass yield per acre many fold. But in addition to grass, Texas is producing more and more corn and cotton seed products year by year, and with the disappearance of the large

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grass ranges cattle foods are being produced in greater abundance.

Middle-aged men will live to see Texas as the greatest hay producing State in Union, and the State's annual corn yield, which now has passed the 200,000,000 bushel mark, is destined to double within ten years.

A more important consideration is the breeding up of cattle. Cattlemen are finding that it pays better to produce steers of better quality in smaller numbers than to breed long horns. Hence, while the numbers of cattle are increasing, the quality, too, is going up steadily. If the price of meat continues to increase, it will not be because of the shrinkage of the cattle industry of Texas. Where the industry was once confined to a few cattlemen with vast herds, the 500,000 farmers of Texas are all cattlemen on a small scale, and the million farmers who will be tilling the fields of Texas twenty years hence will market annually many times the number of cattle that the big ranchmen did in the old days.

Circuit Court is Reversed.

By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., Jan. 4.—The supreme court of the United States today reversed the decision of the United States circuit court for the Southern district of New York in the eighty-cent gas law case. The effect of the decision is to declare the law constitutional.

FLEET PASSES THROUGH THE SUEZ

By Associated Press. Suez, Jan. 4.—The battleships Connecticut, Kansas, Minnesota and Vermont, comprising the first section of the fleet under Admiral Sperry, started in the passage of the Suez canal at 8 o'clock this morning. They are due at Port Said late tonight.

The weather was magnificent and a large crowd had assembled on the Avenue Henelle to witness the spectacle. The American auxiliary cruiser Panther and the collier Ajax came into port last night.

ORGANIZE LEGISLATURE.

Tennessee Prohibitionists Elect Speaker of Senate and House.

By Associated Press. Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 4.—The Tennessee legislature met here today and elected Senator Kinney, a State wide prohibitionist, speaker of the Senate. It is thought that Hon. Hillman Taylor, a son-in-law of Senator Robert L. Taylor, who is also a State-wide, will be chosen speaker of the House tonight.

Nice meals three times a day at Smith's cafe. 25c 193-17

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HALF A MILLION FOR RELIEF WORK

PRESIDENT SENDS SPECIAL MESSAGE ASKING APPROPRIATION FOR SUFFERERS.

THE LARGEST EVER GIVEN

By American People for Succor in Other Lands is Sum Proposed—Resolution Presented in Congress.

By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., Jan. 4.—Both the Senate and the House have agreed upon resolutions appropriating eight hundred thousand dollars for the relief of the Italian earthquake sufferers and this amount becomes immediately available.

By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., Jan. 4.—President Roosevelt in a special message to congress today asked for a direct appropriation of half a million dollars for the relief of the stricken people in the earthquake zone of Italy and Sicily. This is the most generous fund ever contributed by the American people for succor in other lands, and it is to be supplementary to the dispatch of the supply ships Celtic and Culgoa, having on board \$300,000 worth of supplies.

Resolution introduced in Both Houses. Washington, D. C., Jan. 4

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PEOPLE TERROR STRICKEN

Many Unable to Give Intelligent Answers to Simple Questions—Rural Section Vast Scene of Death.

Paris, Jan. 2.—The special correspondent of Le Matin, who has just arrived at Messina after an adventurous journey on foot through wasted Calabria, sends a vivid story of the scenes of devastation. The dispatch was sent by special boat to Naples, from which point it was telegraphed here. I arrived at Messina at last with my legs almost dropping off, after tramping thirty-one consecutive hours, covering a distance of sixty-seven kilometers, forty-one miles. My nerves will never recover from the atrocious impressions to which they were subjected and my eyes will retain as long as they remain open the vision of death and devastation which oppresses them. A mournful silence covers the country like a funeral pall.

I proceeded as far as Palmi by train and thence by foot. Six or seven inhabitants accompanied me to Tropli and I tried to reach Reggio at whatever cost. Two or three railroad firemen, cut off from home while at duty by the catastrophe, were returning to seek news of the fate of their families. They preceded me, brandishing resinous smoky torches. We marched in Indian file, through the tunnel from Palmi to Bagnara, holding hands and stumbling over ballast heaps. The roof of the tunnel was cracked everywhere and now and then rocks fell in the niches of the track. Whole families were encamped around wood fires and smoking torches. Many of them were wounded. Men, women and children, stupored by the catastrophe and crouching among the stones looked at us with a vacant glare as if their thoughts were wandering.

Some distance along we came upon families roasting sea birds which had been killed by the tempest and cast upon the beach. Others had the strangest objects packed in sacks. In reply to questions as to what had happened at Messina and Reggio, they made vague and desolate gestures and continued to gaze at us like stalled oxen. After two hours' march we saw Bagnara perched on the spur of a mountain overhanging the sea.

Every house in the town and surrounding country was in ruins. Little places were open like cut pomegranates in sections. Seated on a broken wall was a man selling bread at exorbitant prices, amid a chorus of curses and maledictions. Another, demented, was trying to dig into the ruins with his fingers. How many dead? One thousand, two thousand—who knows? At 10 o'clock we reached Fazania, a hamlet of 300 inhabitants. Only seven remained. They were shivering under the shelter of a couple of sheets stretched across two olive trees. They asked us pitifully for bread, but we ourselves had not eaten since the start.

After eleven hours we had covered only thirty-four kilometers. At Seylla we decided to stop, but rest was impossible. The whole countryside, except to the north, was completely blotted out. A few kilometers further on Canniteo presented a still more terrifying sight. Almost at the same moment as it was overthrown by the earthquake it was swept by the sea. It is no more. The country is but a charnel house, whence a horrible stench arises. All the houses are grouped into one pile of ruins, under which the dead and wounded lie. The sea around about was covered with household articles and children's playthings. From the ruins muffled voices calling for help reached us time and time again. I asked a fisherman the number of the dead and saved:

The survivors? Perhaps five, six or seven; the dead! Perhaps two thousand, three thousand—who knows? he answered. The once prosperous Sangiovanni was another awful sight. The tidal wave smashed the jetties, overturned the six moles and swept the entire city. The railroad station, the wireless station, six ferry docks and the hospital, all are destroyed. Four thousand inhabitants are buried beneath the ruins.

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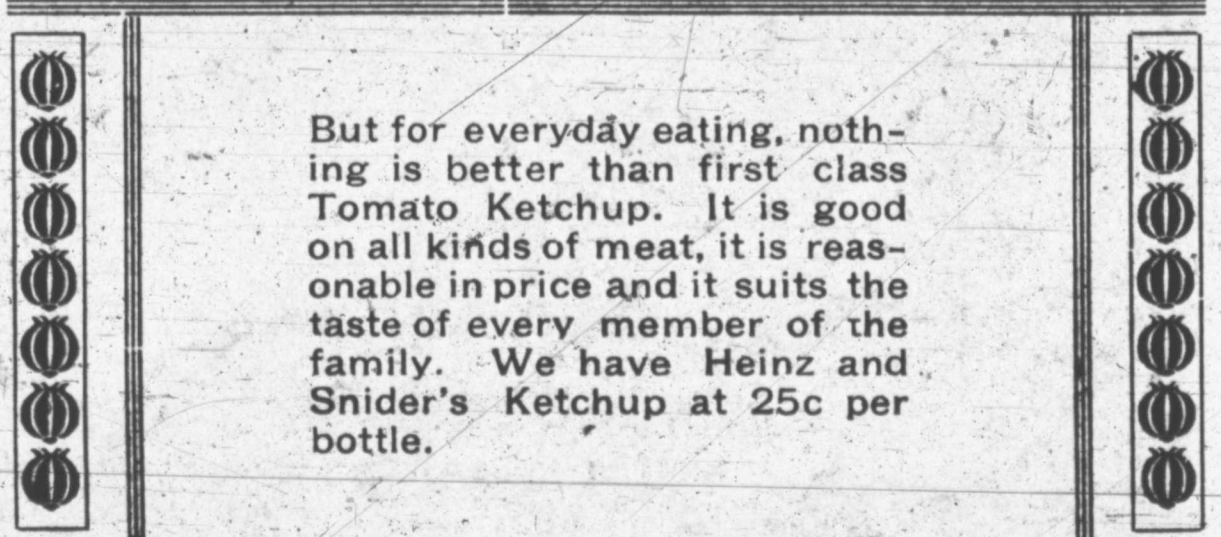
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RESOURCES		LIABILITIES	
Loans and Discounts	\$149,858.88	Capital Stock	\$75,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	4,395.88	Surplus	3,750.00
Cash on hand		Undivided Profits	4,467.70
In bank	\$26,363.97	Deposits	139,030.81
In other banks	41,629.78	Bills Payable	NONE
	\$ 67,993.75		
Total	\$222,248.51	Total	\$222,248.51

The above is correct.

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Cashier.

Deposits September 23, 1908	\$ 70,549.92
Deposits November 27, 1908	109,190.47
Deposits December 31, 1908	139,030.81

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Statistics of the recent election show a gain of 1,341,531 votes over the election of 1904. Bryan's gain over Parker was 1,315,211 and Taft's gain over Roosevelt was only 14,190.

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STUDY OF PROHIBITION.

What Sterling P. Strong Would Do If He Were Editing a Newspaper.

Dallas, Tex., Jan. 2.—At prohibition headquarters today Mr. Sterling P. Strong offered the following statement in regard to articles concerning prohibition in Georgia appearing in the Record:

"I have no criticism to offer regarding any individual. I am very fond of Mr. Ousley and do not wish to discuss his articles at this time. I am striving, with the assistance of the good people of Texas, to put the saloon out of business in our State, and I want to stop long enough to remark that the saloon occupies a very small area in Texas at this time.

"If I were editing a newspaper in Texas and wanted to give the people some information in regard to prohibition, I would call their attention to the fact that there is enough territory under prohibition in Texas to make almost three States the size of Georgia. I would then tell the people the good results obtained by prohibition in this vast territory. I would prove by the business men of the cities and towns in Texas where prohibition prevails that it has improved business; that real estate values have increased; streets have been paved and other material improvements made; that money spent in saloons is now used in building homes; that children have been clothed and placed in school under prohibition who were half clad and poorly fed under saloon rule.

"I would also tell the people that in this vast territory now under prohibition in Texas, comprising an area as large as three States, the size of Georgia, that prohibition prohibits: that the law against the unlawful sale of liquor is enforced as well, if not better than any law of our State. But I would say in regard to law enforcement, it required from one to ten years in each locality in Texas, after prohibition was adopted, to subdue the outlaws, and during this period we had to strengthen our laws by amendments several times. But our prohibition laws are now almost perfect and prohibition is a success.

"In further edifying the people upon the question, I would say, if anti-prohibitionists in any territory where prohibition is adopted would spend their money and energy in trying to obey, and enforce the law of our State, it would be a great saving in money spent in law enforcement and save many lives and stop agitation at once. I would also explain that Georgia is now passing through the same experience with the outlaws which Texas has had, and when she has sufficiently strengthened her laws to cope with the violators she will reap the full benefits of prohibition. The court records of Georgia already show a wonderful decrease in crime since the adoption of prohibition.

"I would also state that there has been a battle raging in Texas against the saloon and the saloon has been driven from the vast territory above mentioned and is now entrenched behind the breastworks in only a few strongholds in the State. Would any general call off a battle at this point and leave the enemy thus entrenched and equipped to retake the territory from which he has been driven? Certainly not. He would charge the strongholds and completely rout the enemy. That is what the people of Texas must do with the saloons. I would further inform the people, were I editing a newspaper, if this fight is not continued with vigor that saloon rule instead of people rule will exist in Texas. I would keep all these facts constantly before the people and would admonish all to obey the law and not to spend their time and money trying to bring the law into disrepute. I would give my best energies to the people of my own State, and would not try to advertise to the world the outwary of a sister State, which her good people are battling nobly to put down; and they will succeed, because no class of outlaws have for any length of time prevailed in a highly civilized country.

"When Mr. Ousley is through writing about prohibition in Georgia, I may, in a friendly way, discuss his articles, if the Record and other papers of the State will allow me space."

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ABILENE AND LOCAL OPTION:

The following from Friday's Abilene Reporter is as strong an editorial in favor of local option as can be written: As proof of the fact that Abilene is gradually becoming a more orderly city, the Reporter points to the above record. In 1907 the city officers, of Abilene made one hundred and fifty six arrests. In 1908 a hundred and fifty-three arrests were made, showing a decrease of three. This is a good showing in a way, for if the number of arrests decrease in proportion each year in spite of Abilene's growth and increase of population, by the time our city is as big as Dallas or San Antonio, there won't be any arrests made.

Last year cases under violations of city ordinances headed the list. The famous automobile speed limit cases swelled this department considerably. In 1907, affrays led the list, closely followed by violations of the city ordinances, and then by public drunkenness. Last year there were twenty-nine cases of drunkenness called to the attention as against forty-one for the year previous, or a few more than two a month. This is not so bad, even if Abilene is a prohibition town. Chief Clinton vividly recalls the day when there were forty-one cases a day.

A hurried glance at the city's docket shows that fully seventy-five per cent of the cases tried by the recorder ended in the conviction of the parties on trial. Nearly every offender looked up when a person was "stuck" and usually confess he was also "stuck."

Below is the number of arrests made in 1908 by the city corps of officers classified under their various heads; then a comparison with the record for 1907:

- Total number for 1908: 153.
- Public drunkenness, 29.
- Violation of city ordinances, 52.
- Affray, 39.
- Disturbing peace, 16.
- Using vulgar language, 3.
- Assault and battery, 4.
- Vagrancy, 5.
- Gambling, 5.
- Total number for 1907: 156.
- Drunkenness, 41.
- Violation of city ordinances, 42.
- Affray, 44.
- Disturbing peace, 14.
- Using vulgar language, 6.
- Assault and battery, 2.
- Vagrancy, 6.
- Gambling, 2.
- Theft, 2.
- Giving liquor to minors, 1.
- Permitting minors to play billiards, 2 (both dismissed).

County Attorney Roy of Tarrant county declares that every raffle, or game of chance of any kind, even church and charity raffles, must stop. We could never understand why preachers and publicists so bitterly denounce the race track, cards and other forms of gambling, but are silent as to church raffles and other games of chance. Gambling is gambling, and raffle is just as much gambling as horse racing or poker. Some people will join in a crusade to break up a gambling hell, but give countenance if not actual assistance in getting up a church raffle or some other game of chance for charity and so on. If gambling is wrong and few deny that it is, it is not justifiable even to promote a good cause. If public opinion is to be aroused against the gambling vice let the crusade include every form of gambling from poker to the church raffle and euchre prize. The gambling instinct is so strongly implanted in the human mind that it is going to take heroic efforts to check it and some of the ablest minds believe a cure is impossible. Public opinion can greatly lessen the evil, but no distinction must be made between the nice good and the nice bad. All gambling is bad because it is demoralizing.—Baird Star.

Gov. Campbell won out in his demands for the enforcement of the Sunday closing law and the laws against gambling. The people of New Braunfels held out the longest, but the saloons of that town were closed last Sunday for the first time since the town was organized, which was in the very early days of Texas. Gov. Campbell has taken hold of a proposition which has been bothering the officials of the State for years, but heretofore no governor had the nerve to tackle the job. But will not this enforcement of the law be a knock out blow to those anti-prohibitionists who insist that if a prohibition law was passed it could not be enforced? It looks that way to a person this distance from the scene of action.—Business Post.

PRESIDENT DENIES LANGUAGE CHARGED

By Associated Press.
Washington, D. C., Jan. 4.—In a special message submitted to the House of Representatives today President Roosevelt denies that he had ever said anything that would warrant the statement that "the majority of the congressmen were in fear of being investigated by the secret service men" or "that congress, as a whole, was actuated by that motive," in refusing an appropriation for the secret service of the United States government.

These statements are made by the President in answer to a resolution from the House calling on him to furnish all information upon the subject that he could communicate.

Mr. Roosevelt, after reviewing the resolution and that portion of his previous message asking for the appropriation for the secret service, and the charges asked for, says:

A careful reading of this message will show that I said nothing to warrant the statement that "the majority of the congressmen were in fear of being investigated by the secret service men," or "that Congress as a whole was actuated by that motive." I did not make any such statement in this message. Moreover, I have never made any such statement about congress as a whole, nor, with a few inevitable exceptions, about the members of congress. In any message or article of speech, on the contrary, I have always not only deprecated but vigorously presented the practice of indiscriminate attack upon congress, and indiscriminate condemnation of all congressmen, wise and unwise, fit and unfit, good and bad alike. No one realizes more than I the importance of co-operation between the executive and congress, and no one holds the authority and dignity of the Congress of the United States in higher respect than I do. I have not the slightest sympathy with the practice of judging men, for good or ill, not on their several merits, but in a mass, as members of one particular body or caste. To put together all men holding or who have held a particular office, whether it be the office of president, or judge, or senator, or member of the house of representatives, and to class them all, without regard to their individual differences, as good or bad, seems to me utterly indefensible; and it is equally indefensible whether the good are confounded with the bad in a heated and unwarranted championship of all, or in a heated and unwarranted assault upon all. I would neither attack nor defend all executive officers in a mass, whether

or presidents, governors, cabinet officers or officials of a lower rank; nor would I attack or defend all legislative officers in a mass. The safety of free government rests very largely in the ability of the plain, every-day citizen to discriminate between those public servants who serve him well and those public servants who serve him ill. He cannot thus discriminate if he is persuaded to pass judgment upon a man, not with reference to whether he is a fit or unfit public servant, but with reference to whether he is an executive or legislative officer, whether he belongs to one branch or the other of the government.

The president then goes on to discuss the work of the secret service and closes his message as follows:

Such a body as the secret service, such a body of trained investigating agents, occupying a permanent position in the government service, and separate from local investigating forces in different departments, is an absolute necessity if the best work is to be done against criminals. It is by far the most efficient instrument possible to use against crime. Of course the more efficient an instrument is, the more dangerous it is if misused. To the argument that a force like this can be misused it is only necessary to answer that the condition of its usefulness if handled properly is that it shall be so efficient as to be dangerous if handled improperly. Any instance of abuse by the secret service or other investigating force in the departments should be unsparingly punished; and congress should hold itself ready at any and all times to investigate the executive departments whenever there is reason to believe that any such instance of abuse has occurred. I wish to emphasize my more than cordial acquiescence in that this is not only the right of congress, but emphatically its duty. To use the secret service in the investigation of purely private or political matters would be a gross abuse. But there has been no single instance of such abuse during my term as president.

In conclusion, I most earnestly ask, in the name of good government and decent administration, in the name of honesty and for the purpose of bringing to justice the violators of the federal laws wherever they may be found, whether in public or private life, that the action taken by the house last year be reversed. When this action was taken, the senate committee, under the lead of the late Senator Allison, having before it a strongly worded protest from Secretary Cortelyou like that he had sent to Mr. Tawney, accepted the secretary's views; and the senate passed the bill in the shape prepared by Senator Allison. In the conference, however, the house conferees insisted on the retention of the provision they had inserted, and the senate yielded.

The chief of the secret service is paid a salary which is inadequate to the importance of his functions and to the admirable way in which he has performed them. I earnestly urge that it be increased to \$6,000 per annum. I also urge that the secret service be placed where it properly belongs, and made a bureau in the department of justice, as the chief of the secret service has repeatedly requested; but whether this is done or not, it should be explicitly provided that the secret service can be used to detect and punish crime wherever it is found.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT.
The White House, Jan. 4, 1909.

THE ALARMING INCREASE OF BRIGHT'S DISEASE.

"He died of Bright's Disease."
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The increasing prevalence of this disease makes the present time seem most opportune for discussion in the hope that some who are unconsciously afflicted with this dreaded disease may receive timely warning.

A prominent citizen residing in a nearby town informs us that he suffered for nearly a year from Bright's Disease, but that he recently affected a complete cure.

"What seemed to be the first indications of the trouble," was asked.

"They seemed hardly worth noticing. My digestion bothered me at times, my stomach seemed out of order, and I had occasional backaches, but I thought it was due to too much work."

"Did you take anything?"
"I did not. Later, my strength failed me, I had severe pains in the back and noticed some irregularities of the urine. I couldn't sleep well at night. I then used some simple remedies, but without benefit."

"Did you realize that your trouble was Bright's Disease?"

"I never thought of such a thing. Finally, my condition became serious. My back ached all the time, I had shooting pains in my joints and a weak tired feeling at the knees, a little work played me out completely. I then began doctoring for kidney trouble but did not improve very much."

"Did you have any trouble with your heart?"

"Yes. I had spells of heart throbbing and a nervous faint feeling. I thought I had heart disease and treated awhile for that. Nothing seemed to help me. I had to give up trying to work."

"How did you affect a cure?"

"A friend of mine persuaded me to try Prickly Ash Bitters. I bought a bottle of my druggist. After taking it a week I began to feel some better, my urine became more natural and there was a gradual lessening of my misery. I kept on taking Prickly Ash Bitters for several weeks and I could feel my strength returning—slowly at first—but increasing daily. I am now entirely cured of my trouble and able to do a full day's work without the least fatigue. I consider

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The Conover Piano

The Cable Company, Chicago. Gentlemen:—It affords me great pleasure to add my testimony to the merits of the Conover Piano. The tone is full and pure, with remarkable singing qualities; the action is prompt and elastic. I would recommend it to purchasers desiring a first class piano. LILLIAN NORDICA.

Pittsburg, Pa. Gentlemen:—I was thinking of buying a new piano, and on inquiry of a musical friend, finding that he had been using a Conover Piano for several years and that it stood in perfect tune during that time, although it was played upon by quite a number of students, it struck me as being extraordinary testimony in favor of the Conover make. After thoroughly testing the merits of different instruments, I came to the conclusion that my own interests demanded I should buy the Conover in preference to all others. I purchased one for my own use and a second one for my married daughter, and I am more than delighted with my choice. I shall take pleasure in recommending the Conover to my friends and acquaintances. PAUL ZIMMERMAN.

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712 Indiana Ave.

Stockholders Meeting.

January 2nd, 1909

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Wichita Falls and Northwestern Railway Company will be held at its office in Frederick, Oklahoma, on Wednesday, February 3rd, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 3 p. m. for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors for the ensuing year, and the transaction of such other business as may come before them.

Immediately after the adjournment of the Stockholders' meeting, the annual meeting of the Directors will be held for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year, and the transaction of such other business as may come before them.

J. A. KEMP, President.
WILEY BLAIR, Secretary. Jan 4-11-18 25-Feld

A Boy Sign Painter.

Dana Sidwell, a bright young lad only 15 years of age, is an expert at sign writing. He comes well recommended to this city from Longview, at which place the papers of that city state, he has done to the satisfaction of his patrons a great majority of the sign writing for the past year. He makes a specialty of bulletin board and who pin their faith to this kind of advertising, will find it to their advantage to consult with Dana before letting their contracts. Drop him a card. 203-21p

The Proper Word.

Reckoning from the standpoint of the lexicographer, Ruth, aged seven, committed an unpardonable assault on the king's English, but the seventy-five other persons living in that apartment house would swear that she chose the proper word. Ruth's comment concerned the vocal gymnastics of a lady who was learning to sing. "She is having her voice difficulted," said Ruth, and every one of the seventy-five nerve racked neighbors echoed, "She is."—New York Times.

Three Signs.

Peculiarities of signs are a source of never ending delight to some people. One man reached his office grinning the other morning because on his way downtown he had seen three signs that read as follows: "Teddy Bears Retired," "Baby Carriages Retired" and "Umbrellas Recovered."—New York Post.

Defined.

"John," she said, looking up from the paper, "what is a political boom-crang?"

"Why, I'd define it," he answered, "as a footback on the return trip."—Philadelphia Ledger.

GREAT COST SALE

FOR TEN DAYS before invoicing, we will offer our entire stock of goods at cost for cash. This sale will begin Saturday, January 2nd, 1909. And continue for ten days. This is the first sale of this kind we have made in six years. It is a well known fact that we carry the highest grade merchandise of any house outside the largest cities. This is an opportunity you will not have again in years. We will sell

Stein-Bloch clothes	at actual cost for cash	Cluett Shirts	at actual cost for cash
Stetson Hats	at actual cost for cash	Parker & Finn's fancy vests	at actual cost for cash
Imperial Hats	at actual cost for cash	James R. Keiser's Neckwear	at actual cost for cash
Stetson Shoes	at actual cost for cash	Lord & Taylor's Hosiery	at actual cost for cash
Packard Shoes	at actual cost for cash	Trunks, Grips and Umbrellas	at actual cost for cash
Hamilton Brown Shoes	at actual cost for cash		

In Fact Every Article in the House at Actual Cost For Cash Except Dunlap
 WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS Hats and Carhart's Overalls WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS

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MORE RAILROAD POSSIBILITIES

Houston Post.
 That part of the Yoakum-Hill Trumbull project of Texas railroad development involves an extension of the Wichita Valley from Abilene through San Antonio to the lower Rio Grande and the gulf coast, with a possible extension to Tampico on the Mexican coast, maintaining a connection with a projected road from Stamford to Texico and the Santa Fe transcontinental, giving a new Gulf Pacific service, is strongly indicated.
 Many chains of tangible evidence tend to such a stupendous undertaking. Since the announcement of the evident Yoakum-Hill-Trumbull project from Stamford to Mexico, to be operated as a Rock Island property by extension from Graham, further developments tend to substantiate this feature. P. G. Burns, the engineer who directed the Yoakum and Trumbull construction of the Trinity and Brazos Valley and the building of immense terminals at Houston and Galveston, is the engineer for the Stamford and Northwestern. He has finished the Trinity and Brazos Valley, and it would seem now but natural that he is to be used to push the interest west, preserving the lower Panhandle and the Great Plains for the Colorado and Southern-Rock Island combination.
 But there is still more evidence. Frank Trumbull is said to have assured Stamford admirers that he is to be connected with railroad development in West Texas, and there everybody believes that Trumbull is the backing of the Stamford and Northwestern, which is projected through Plainview to Texico.
 And then there is Morgan Jones, who built the Wichita Valley for Frank Trumbull. Mr. Jones is now building an extension of the Wichita Valley from Abilene to Ballinger, as recently mentioned in the Post. Sixty miles of rails have just been purchased. Logically, it is assumed that Trumbull is behind this road. The unquestioned object is to extend this line from Ballinger to San Antonio, and thence to the gulf, and possibly to Laredo for a Mexico connection.
 The extension below Ballinger might traverse Concho, Menard, Kimble and Kerr counties, entering San Antonio west of the San Antonio and Aransas Pass, and thus not compete with the projected Frisco extension from Brady through Mason, Gillespie and Kendall counties into San Antonio. The Frisco

extension to San Antonio and beyond, use of a line south to the lower Rio Grande and the coast is the apparent object.
Tewksbury Resigns.
 Fort Worth Record.
 Official announcement was made yesterday afternoon of the voluntary resignation of J. B. Tewksbury as commercial agent of the Trinity & Brazos Valley, effective Feb. 1, by General Freight Agent W. C. Connor, Jr., the general passenger agent of the line. Mr. Tewksbury has accepted a more lucrative position with the natural gas company, with headquarters in Kansas City, as general manager of the concern.
 The successor to Mr. Tewksbury has not been named, but it is understood that W. A. Scribener, who has been acting as traveling freight agent and who has done exceptionally good work in the position, is the logical successor to Mr. Tewksbury.
 J. B. Tewksbury, prior to accepting service with the Try & Be-Virtuous name, held positions with the Rock Island and Denver roads. Shortly after arriving in Texas Mr. Tewksbury was with the Rock Island and resigned to accept a position with the Denver road in the general offices as chief claim clerk, which position he held for some time, until promoted to the position of traveling freight and passenger agent, with headquarters at Wichita Falls. Mr. Tewksbury remained with the Denver road in that capacity for several years and resigned to accept the commercial agency of the Trinity & Brazos Valley here. Since his service with the Valley route the business has greatly increased through the united efforts of Mr. Tewksbury and his assistant, Mr. Scribener.
 It was with regret that Mr. Connor was compelled to accept the resignation, and it is with regret that the railroad fraternity loses Mr. Tewksbury.
 W. A. Scribener, the prospective successor to Mr. Tewksbury, is no novice in the traffic department of railroads, having held the position of traveling freight agent of the Cotton Belt, with headquarters in this city for a number of years, and then going with the Frisco, which position he resigned to accept service with the Valley road. Should the promotion materialize it will be a deserved one.
 The resignation of W. H. Calvert as general agent of the Trinity & Brazos Valley, with headquarters at Galveston, was also announced. The work of the general agent of the line at that point will fall on the shoulders of J. I. Johnson, the present commercial agent at Galveston.
 Although Mr. Calvert resigns the

position as general agent will be retained as agent of the company at Galveston.
LOSES BRIDE AT ALTER.
Prospective Groom's Former Landlady Shows Letters That Causes Trouble.
 New York, Jan. 2.—Miss Nettie Higgins, pretty, blushing and happy, and John Whittaker, a handsome young man, stood together before the Rev. J. C. Scarborough, in the St. Thomas Presbyterian mission assembly hall, N. J., yesterday. The pastor gave the important warning in the marriage ceremony which usually always remains unanswered:
 "If any man knows good reason why this man and this woman should not be united in the holy bonds of matrimony, let him speak now or forever hold his peace."
 For a moment the silence in the church remained unbroken; then a shrill voice cried:
 "I know a good reason. This man Whittaker is already married and I have proof here."
 It was Mrs. Mary Griffin, a widow with whom Whittaker boarded formerly, who spoke.
 "That's a lie," shouted Whittaker.
 Miss Higgins turned very pale, but glared stonily at Whittaker. The few persons in the mission murmured their surprise.
 "Here's the proof," said Mrs. Griffin, reluctantly. "I found these letters in the room in my house which this man occupied as my boarder."
 She produced two letters, signed "Your loving wife, Mrs. Whittaker." They expressed the hope that her "dear husband" would return to her at Suffolk, Va., where the letters were dated and postmarked.
 They are forgeries, cried Whittaker. I have no wife.
 He declared so fervently that no one was not married that the Rev. Mr. Scarborough seemed inclined to believe him and to continue the ceremony.
 "Indeed I'll go no further," exclaimed Miss Higgins, spiritedly. "I'll marry no man who gets letters signed Your loving wife, and she flounced out of the church.
 She refused to listen to Whittaker's protestations of love and loyalty and ordered him never to see her again. He retorts by threatening to sue to recover her trousseau, which he bought.
 It is estimated that \$25,000 was expended in Chicago during the present year for the construction of flat buildings in the city.

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Anything in this line you want, our stoves are right and our prices are right. On vehicles of all kinds we are in line. On Implements we lead.

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FOUR MULES—One brown and one bay, 8 and 9 years old, 15 1/2 hands high. One black and one iron gray mules, 4 years old each, 15 1/2 hands high.

FARMING IMPLEMENTS—Two good Wagons, one Surry, three Cultivators, three Go-Devils, one Drag Harrow, one 14-inch Sulky, one 10-inch Gang Plow, one 3-Disc Gang Plow, four sets Work Harness, one Saddle, and other things too numerous to mention.

SEVEN HORSES—One Sorrel mare, 8 years old, 16 hands high, one bay horse, 3 years old, 15 hands high, one sorrel mare 13 years old, 16 hands high, one 2-year-old Filly. All above stock is well broke and in first class order. Two good milch Cows, 18 head of Hogs, about 300 bushels of corn and one set of blacksmith tools.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS—One Bed-room set, Davenport Couch, Extension Table, Heating Stove, one Range, one Edison Graphophone with 30 records and other articles too numerous to mention.

Terms—All sums under \$10.00 cash. All sums of \$10.00 and over, 3 months time with good security at 10 per cent per annum interest.

Free Lunch and Barbecue—On the day of the sale a free lunch and barbecue will be served on the grounds.

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WOMEN ARE INCONSISTENT.

A Fort Worth Retail Clerk Relates Some of the Trials and Tribulations Suffered by Salesmen.

The following article appeared in the Fort Worth Record a few days ago and by request of a retail dry goods clerk of this city is reproduced.

Christmas is over and the great day of celebration has brought happiness to many people who were made so by different things and in various ways; many by coming in contact with old friends and by making new ones. Thousands have given and received presents and their hearts have been filled with joy. This great occasion of celebration comes but once a year and as bringing with it much happiness and pleasure it also brings unhappiness and displeasure.

Being a salesman, I heard so many say during their holiday shopping that they would be glad when Christmas is over. The shopping or buying for their friends, seemingly, was such a burden to them. Those people could never satisfy themselves as to what they wanted; they would just look and look, have the poor, tired clerks take down everything in their department and then many of them would walk away without buying anything and without even saying thanks.

My opinion of the real rights and privileges of the people as a whole the clerks' rights and privileges are less respected and more imposed on by the public than any other class of people.

I have been a salesman in Fort Worth for the period of about six years, have been an employe for the best firms here and my experience in waiting on people from the lowest to the highest class has taught me that our efforts, politeness and pleasant smiles are very little appreciated. The public doesn't seem to appreciate our real worth and to care little about our feelings. Some people think we are paid to wait on them, show all the goods in our department, smile and be courteous, whether or not they intend to buy, and some have the audacity and unlimited nerve to tell us so. It's true that we are paid to wait on trade and to show all courtesy that's possible, but that's not all. We are paid to sell goods. Delivering the goods is what pays our salaries and makes peace and happiness in the homes which we occupy.

Receive No Consideration.

People look in our faces sometimes and say: Mr. A. you are not looking well today, have you been sick? Of course we try to smile and say, No. Those who look into our tired faces and ask these questions don't realize our circumstances and the things with which we have to contend each day as we stand behind the counter.

We notice the papers publish the news of the world and the current events of the day. They, in every copy have articles advocating this thing and that thing and always for Fort Worth and the good of its people. We read about Mrs. A. or B. or Dr. C., pastor of such and such a church, doing some great act or deed of charity which is all right and we are glad to see and read of it, but we never see any article advising the people to use any degree of care or to use any judgment or in any way appealing to them in regard to the treatment which should be shown the boy and girl who work twelve or fifteen hours a day behind the counter.

Ever since I began selling goods I've often thought how few people really appreciate the person who has to wait on and work for the public, and again I've tried to figure out or think of some way by which the people could be informed as to the real position in which we, the clerks, as we are commonly called, are placed. I've done a good many things in my life. I was reared on the farm, have been up against the roughs and toughs of the country and performed all the unpleasant tasks that any country boy ever performed. I've had the pleasure of teaching the little tots who were in the country and I've had the pleasure of reading notes from mothers whose children were under my instruction, telling me to do and not to do such and such a thing toward her child, but in selling goods there are more things with which a man has to contend or endure that is unpleasant than any other vocation.

Being so much impressed lately with what people think and how little a clerk's rights and privileges are respected, and also for six years having heard salespeople with whom I've worked, talk about how customers would treat them knowing that policy and position wouldn't allow the clerk to say anything, I've concluded to write an article which, if published, may lead some of the shoppers of this

town to believe that we are human beings who were created by the same God that created them and not pieces of constructed machinery done by the hand of man.

His Dreams Shattered.

When I was a boy to some extent I envied the boy who worked behind the counter. He always looked so nice and clean, his personality so perfect. I had a longing for his position, and to get it was the height of my ambition. I never knew anything of the drawbacks to a clerk's life until experience taught me, and as a result I'm on the unpleasant road of a clerk's life.

I don't mean to leave the impression that a salesman's life is all shadow and darkness, sometimes a little light and sunshine creep in. We have friends and customers who are nice, cheerful and know what they want; we enjoy waiting on them; we always enjoy waiting on people who are pleasant and want to buy something, but it's never very pleasant for any clerk to wait on some one who is just looking.

The people whom the salesman likes to see or call at his or her department are those who know what they want, and are not just looking. The man who wants anything and has his wife with him to decide whether or not he should buy the goods is not very desirable customer.

It's a little mysterious to me why a man will take his wife with him to buy a suit or hat. It looks to me like a lack of judgment on the part of the husband. I suppose, though, he is afraid she will not be pleased, though she should be willing to risk his judgment for he used such good judgment in selecting a wife.

For a long time I've heard of hen pecked husbands and have never fully understood what the expression meant until since I began selling goods. He, in my opinion, is one of those fellows who takes his wife with him and she does the buying and he the looking on, and says yes and no when she looks like it's her pleasure for him to do so.

We clerks want to be good and religious some times, but we become almost disgusted with religion when we go out to church and see Mrs. A. or Mrs. B. instructing a Sunday school



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(Daily Except Sunday.)
Leave Wichita Falls 7:00 a. m.
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Leaves Frederick 4:00 p. m.
Arrive Wichita Falls 6:00 p. m.

Wichita Falls and Southern.
Leaves Wichita Falls 3:10 p. m.
Arrives Olney 6:40 p. m.
Arrives Newcastle 8:00 p. m.
Leaves Newcastle 8:15 a. m.
Leaves Olney 7:30 a. m.
Arrives Wichita Falls 11:00 a. m.
C. L. FONTAINE, G. P. A.

Wichita Valley.
West Bound Trains—
No. 1 Leaves 2:10 p. m.
No. 2 Arrives 12:05 p. m.
No. 3 Arrives 6:25 p. m.
East Bound Trains—
No. 2 Arrives 1:00 p. m.
No. 6 Arrives 3:15 a. m.
No. 5 Leaves 12:05 a. m.
No. 8 Leaves 8:07 a. m.
No. 19 Leaves 2:40 p. m.

M. K. and T. Railway.
Arrives
No. 271, From Dallas 10:15 p. m.
No. 9, From Denison 12:50 p. m.
Leaves
No. 272, To Dallas 6:50 a. m.
No. 10, To Denison 3:00 p. m.

Fort Worth and Denver City.
Northbound— Arrives Leaves
No. 1 2 p. m. 2:10 p. m.
No. 3 12:45 p. m. 1:05 p. m.
No. 5 11:45 p. m. 12:05 a. m.
No. 7 2:05 a. m. 2:15 a. m.
Southbound Arrives Leaves
No. 2 11:35 a. m. 11:45 a. m.
No. 4 12:55 p. m. 1:15 p. m.
No. 6 3:15 a. m. 3:35 a. m.
No. 8 2:15 a. m. 2:25 a. m.

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class and all the week previous to this she has been a regular pest, so to speak, at our counters. She didn't know what she wanted, but was just looking, and it may be that Mrs. A. or Mrs. B. will have us take everything down in our department to show her when she is just looking, and perhaps the manager is standing close by and will then wonder why we didn't sell to her.

believe he would like that, and walked away without saying thanks. This is just a little of a clerk's experience.

A SALESMAN.

A Family Dinner.
Judge and Mrs. A. H. Carrigan entertained their Barwise relatives at a dinner Saturday. Those present were J. H. Barwise Sr., Tom Barwise and family and Marshall Barwise of Electra, Myron Barwise and family and Miss Elsa Vanderslice of Wichita Falls and Joe Barwise and family of Fort Worth.

New Church at Mabledean.
Rev. R. E. Farley went out to Mabledean Sunday afternoon and organized a new Methodist Episcopal church for the people of that community. Messrs. C. L. Campbell, Mr. Price and W. C. Clark were elected trustees. They will proceed at once to construct a suitable building in which to worship.

The principal decorations in a new home for sailors in New York City are signed portraits of President Roosevelt, King Edward, Kaiser William, the King of Italy and the King of Denmark.

Seed Oats For Sale.
Eight hundred bushels of good seed oats, free of Johnson Grass seed, for sale by Maricle Coal Co. 203-14

Cork will rise if sunk twenty feet below water.
For good pipe, use Emson's pumpkins. King & White have it. 178-11

Personal Mention.

Mack Taylor of Holliday was transacting business here today.

Miss Irene Cathey of Ladonia is visiting her aunt, Mrs. W. T. Cathey, near this city.

Linz Wiley of Bellevue has accepted a position with Trevathan & Bland of this city.

Miss Mollie Lowry, an accomplished young lady from Holliday, was a visitor to the city today.

S. E. Dempsey, one of the oil producers at Petrolia, was transacting business in the city today.

Mrs. R. E. Trevathan of Arkansas arrived here last week and will make this city her future home.

J. A. Putman, one of the well to do farmers from near Iowa Park, was transacting business in the city today.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Bachman returned this morning from Fort Worth, where they had been visiting friends.

Mrs. M. E. Randolph and daughters, Sadie and Nellie, have returned from Burkburnett, where they visited relatives last week.

Edison and Helen Jalonek, left today for Missouri to re-enter school, after having spent the holidays with relatives here.

Morris Marcus returned this afternoon from Dallas, where he had been visiting his mother, Mrs. M. A. Marcus, and family.

Miss Maybelle Jackson returned this afternoon from a visit to her uncle, Mr. H. B. Jackson and family, at Orange, Texas.

Guy Norwood, a prominent business man from Davidson, Oklahoma, was in the city yesterday visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Norwood.

Miss Nell McCrary, chief clerk in the postoffice in this city, is in Newcastle this week assisting her father in opening up a postoffice in that little city.

Dr. R. L. Miller was called to Olney this afternoon to render medical attention to Agent Carleton of that place, who is suffering from pneumonia, and whose condition is reported as critical today.

Mrs. R. E. Clopton returned this morning from Dallas, where she had been with her daughter, Miss Maybelle, who will enter the St. Mary's academy in that city for the ensuing year.

Mrs. James King and Miss Ida Priest of Salina, Kansas, are here to spend a few months during the absence of Mr. King, who was a wholesale hardware merchant of Salina, Kansas, having sold out and given up the hardware business and gone to Panama under the direction of President Roosevelt, in connection with the canal work.

Mrs. King and Miss Priest are sisters of Will Priest, who is employed at the tonorial parlor of T. M. Sims and are staying at the home of Mr. Sims for a few days awaiting a shipment of household furniture that is now en route.

Arrivals at the St. James. J. B. Priddy, Portales, N. M.; Mrs. John A. Simpson, William C. Simpson, John A. Simpson, Jr., Gainesville; O. T. Anderson, Olney; M. H. Norton, Missouri Girl Co.; Morris D. Leen, Clela-

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James Clark, a North Carolina farmer, died of hydrophobia. He had been bitten by his daughter's pet dog twenty-nine days before.

Forest fires during the past few months have cost West Virginia one-fifth of her timber and \$5,000,000.

Cork will rise if sunk twenty feet below water.

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"The Missouri Girl" contains all the elements that go to make up an enjoyable evening's entertainment. A good strong plot, with intensely interesting dramatic situations, novel specialties, peculiar dances, the very best scenic and mechanical stage effects, and the most ludicrous situations ever seen in one play. The company is the pick of the profession: no "sticks" to bore you, but every one an artist in his line. This attraction will be seen at the Wichita Theater tonight.

Adelaide Thurston in the Woman's Hour.

The Little Rock Arkansas Gazette in speaking of the performance in that city of Adelaide Thurston, who is to appear in Wichita Falls Wednesday night says:

The able reviewers along her route have been unanimous in declaring that in her new play, "The Woman's Hour" Miss Adelaide Thurston has achieved the triumph of her career. That headline has confronted us in a score of papers. But it does not tell us all the story. It has given us a new Adelaide Thurston. Heretofore we have seen her in juvenile, somewhat boydenish character. The new Miss Thurston in her new character, is a woman, a loving, pulsating, mature woman, and she surprised even her friends at the Capital theater last night in her art. As a matter of fact, it is not that the actress has advanced. Miss Thurston has been a capable actress in every character she has portrayed, but she has never had a role which brought out her latent possibilities as that of Hester Temple, which Frederick Paulding created for her in this beautiful society comedy.

Briefly told, the story is that of a girl reared in the West, rich and alone in the world, who finds relatives in Miss Augusta Revelton Carter and her son Beverly. Roger Daneway and the inevitable other woman. Her aunt, her young hopeful, and the other woman deliberately and most cruelly conspire to serve their own selfish ends, to keep "the man" and "the other woman" apart—they want him and his money in their business. How their conspiracy is thwarted and the lovers united is the denouement.

It is a beautiful play, written in Mr. Paulding's best vein, and he has written many gems. Going back in memory not many plays in many seasons can be recalled which are so wholly pleasing. The audience appreciated its beauties to the full. Miss Thurston received a curtain call after each act and, rare compliment indeed, a double recall after the last act, when usually the scramble for the exits sets in. The development of the plot engages the attention throughout, there

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is wit in the lines, bright comedy, cleverly devised situations and underlying all a very beautiful love story.

Miss Thurston's work is excellent throughout. Her characterization of Miss Temple is marked by that naturalness which marks the true artist. There is no striving for effect. The mirror is held up to nature. The company is unusually well balanced. It is needless to speak of Mr. Paulding's capabilities. In the original Jefferson-Florence-Drew combination, as leading man for Margaret Mather and as supporting other stars of magnitude, his reputation is long established. As "the man" in the play he needs must enter into the spirit of the role, since he created the character.

Special praise is due Miss Caroline Newcomb for her very clever work as the maid. It is rare that so humble a character is of real importance, but in this the lines and Miss Newcomb's capability have raised it to real importance and of material help to the completeness of the production. Miss Clara Sidney as Mrs. Carter, Miss Echari as the other woman, were most capable, and in fact, the whole company was well balanced. The production is complete and the scenery rich and elaborate.

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