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ZELAYA FRIENDLY TO THIS COUNTRY

**CONCILIATORY MESSAGE SENT BY
HIM TO PRESIDENT TAFT
LAST NIGHT.**

WILL LEAVE NICARAGUA

**Stand Ready, However, to Atone for
His Acts—Estrada May Be His
Successor.**

By Associated Press.
Washington, D. C., Dec. 17.—Following his resignation yesterday afternoon, President Zelaya of Nicaragua last night cabled a conciliatory message to President Taft, in which he pointed out that he had shown good faith by resigning, in order that Nicaragua might resume friendly relations with the United States. He added that he proposed to leave the country, but that he stood ready to account for his acts as president.

It is the theory here that Zelaya's act will accomplish the purpose he had in mind—of preventing armed intervention by the United States and of restoring nominal peace, at least, in Nicaragua.

It is understood that the State Department will oppose the election of Jose Madriz as president to succeed Zelaya and should he be chosen, there is little possibility of friendly relations being resumed. Estrada is understood to be the United States' choice for the position. Every effort will be made to restore normal conditions in the republic.

In the opinion of those versed in international law, the United States cannot hold Zelaya personally responsible for the murder of Groce and Cannon, but the republic of Nicaragua may be forced to make amends.

By Associated Press.
Washington, D. C., Dec. 17.—The Buffalo, now at Panama, with seven hundred marines on board, has been ordered to proceed to Corinto. The United States Consul at Managua has reported that Zelaya's followers are being armed with daggers and several applications have been made to the consulate for protection by Americans.

OIL CAR JUMPS TRACK; NORTHWESTERN DELAYED

Traffic on the Wichita Falls and Northwestern was interrupted this morning by an oil car jumping the track between Devo and Grandfield. While the damage was slight, the inaccessibility to the place where it occurred resulted in the delay of the southbound passenger train due here at noon and at 3 o'clock this afternoon the train had not come in.

The cause of the accident is not known. Comparatively little damage resulted and traffic will probably be resumed this afternoon.

NO TRACE OF GIRL

Now Ten Days Since Alma Kellner Disappeared.

Texas News Service Special.
Louisville, Ky., Dec. 17.—The tenth day since the disappearance of Alma Kellner brought no trace of the missing child. Sewers and catch basins, vaults, etc., for a territory of five blocks were searched without finding any sign of the child. The area of the search will be extended today.

See W. F. Jourdan for any and all kinds of city, farm and ranch property.

MURDERED MAN'S WIFE WAS IN CONSPIRACY

Texas News Service Special.
Sherman, Tex., Dec. 17.—The officers are today searching for Tom Fusion, a brother of George and James Fusion, who are in jail here and charged with the murder of George Eves, the Collinsville merchant on Wednesday night.

Deputy Sheriff Logan returned today from the vicinity of the Fuson farm, four miles from Collinsville. He says Mrs. George Fusion confessed after the murder of Eves that the three Fuson brothers met at her house and agreed that Tom should leave the country and that George and James should surrender.

ONE THOUSAND MISSING.

H. & T. C. Agent at Riesel is Also Missing.

Texas News Service Special.
Waco, Tex., Dec. 17.—Special officers of the Houston and Texas Central Railway Company and Wells-Fargo Express Company are still searching for J. W. Bates, railroad agent at Riesel, who has mysteriously disappeared since the discovery of the loss of a thousand dollars consigned to the First State Bank at Riesel yesterday by the Citizens National Bank here. It is alleged the money was received by Bates. Bates recently came from Houston.

A marriage license was issued yesterday to Tom M. Hughes of Whiteboro and Miss Maye Snow of Iowa Park.

TELEGRAPH LAW IS HELD IN CONFLICT

**EIGHT HOUR ENACTMENT OF THE
LAST LEGISLATURE KNOCK-
ED OUT AT GALVESTON.**

IS DECLARED INVALID

**Does Not Conform to National Statutes
Fixing Nine Hours for Train
Dispatchers.**

Texas News Service Special.
Galveston, Tex., Dec. 17.—A knock-out blow was dealt the eight-hour telegraph law enacted by the last legislature, when the Court of Civil Appeals yesterday afternoon held that the state law is in conflict with the national statutes which provides a nine-hour day for train dispatchers.

The law in question was passed by the thirty-first legislature and fixes eight hours as the working day for telegraphers. The Texas and New Orleans Railway inaugurated a test of the law, which was tried before Judge Hightower in Trinity County several months ago. He decided that the law was in conflict with the National statute and the opinion handed down yesterday upholds his decision.

The National statute fixes nine hours as the working day for train dispatchers and it is held that the Texas law is directly in conflict with this provision. The effect of the decision is to nullify the legislature's enactment.

MURDERED AND ROBBED.

Police Searching for Thugs at San Antonio Today.

Texas News Service Special.
San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 17.—The officers are today searching for two men seen following Mike Meagher, the millionaire banker of Texarkana, who was murdered in the Southern Pacific station here last night after he had exposed a large roll of bills in a restaurant. Meagher was killed and robbed in the ante room of the station. The police have a description of the men.

TEXAS LEAGUE MATTERS STILL VERY CHAOTIC

Texas News Service Special.
San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 17.—It was practically agreed that the Texas baseball league will not be reduced from eight to six clubs, at a meeting of the owners and managers of the Texas and Southwest Texas leagues, who gathered here this morning for a three days' session.

President Wilbur A. Allen of the Texas League, opposes the proposition on the ground that sufficient population could not be mustered in six club cities to retain the league in class "B."

M. J. Finn, owner of the Little Rock club, is here to secure the Galveston franchise, should Galveston withdraw. It is understood that Morris Block, owner of the San Antonio team of the Texas League, will place another team in the Southwest Texas League.

ARSENIAL DIP.

It Will Be Permitted for Cattle Under New Rules.

Texas News Service Special.
Washington, D. C., Dec. 17.—Representative J. W. Smith of Texas, today was informed at the Bureau of Animal Industry that the New cattle regulations, soon effective will permit the use of the arsenial dip for tick eradication. This is one of the concessions secured by Judge Hemmer of Abilene, for Texas cattlemen.

INSTITUTE TO BE HELD TOMORROW

**TEACHERS OF WICHITA COUNTY
TO MEET HERE FOR FIVE
DAYS' SESSION.**

PROGRAM WELL PLANNED

**Many Matter of Pedagogical Interest
Are to Be Considered at the
Meeting.**

The Teachers' Institute of Wichita county will meet in this city tomorrow and remain in session until next Thursday and about forty teachers are expected to be in attendance. An interesting program has been arranged for the meeting and it is expected that the Institute will be a very helpful one for all concerned. The following program has been arranged for the Institute:

Saturday.
Welcome Address—Hon. L. H. Mathis.

Response—A. B. Crane.
Organization, Enrollment and Announcements.
Object of the Institute—H. A. Fairchild.

12:00 to 1:00—Noon intermission.
1:00 to 1:30—Is Spelling a Matter of Memory?—W. O. Chandler.
1:30 to 2:00—Our Results in Reading are Not Satisfactory—Why?—Miss May Halloran.

2:00 to 2:30—Writing (Penmanship) A Lost Art. Should We Revive It? How?—Miss Llewellyn Lowry.

2:30 to 2:45—Why Teach Physiology? A brief outline of the Subject as I teach it—Miss Addie Bundy.

3:30 to 4:00—Round Table Discussion.—led by Lee Clark.

Monday.
9:00 to 9:30—The Four Fundamental Operations in Arithmetic, as treated in the Adopted Text—Miss George Gorman, Miss Myrtle Lowry.

9:30 to 10:00—How to Interest Pupils in English in the First Four Grades—Miss Clara Creamer, Miss Nellie Gantt.

10:00 to 10:30—How I Teach Primary Geography—Miss Gertrude Denney, Miss Esther Sellars.

10:30 to 10:45—Recess.

10:45 to 11:30—Texas History Outlined to 1848—F. W. Roberts.
11:30 to 12:00—Address—J. T. Gibson.

12:00 to 1:00—Noon intermission.
1:00 to 1:30—Parents Expect Their Children to Advance. How Well Do They Provide the Means?—Jno. T. Foster.

1:30 to 2:00—Does It Pay to Visit Parents?—Miss Bertha Trisler.

2:00 to 2:30—A Recitation in U. S. History Based on the Events Falling Between 1783-1789—Miss Egma Childers.

Note—Use Institute as Class.

2:30 to 2:45—Recess.

2:45 to 3:00—Schoolroom Discipline; What I Demand and Get; What I Forbid; What I Permit—John Finney.

3:30 to 4:00—Round Table discussion.—Led by A. B. Crane.

Tuesday.
9:00 to 9:30—Methods in U. S. History—J. H. Bridges.

9:30 to 10:00—Supplementary Reading—Miss Ophelia Britt, Miss Annie Staley.

10:00 to 10:30—Offenses Discussed; Appropriate Punishment Applied; How, When, Where?—George Alexander.

10:30 to 10:45—Recess.

10:45 to 11:30—The Grammar School Arithmetic; Where Will We Stand at the End of the Period for Which It Was Adopted—E. C. Hall.
11:30 to 12:00—Contrast the Community Which Has a School Spirit with the One Which Has It Not—A. B. Crane.

12:00 to 1:00—Noon intermission.
1:00 to 1:30—How Far Should the Course of Study be Carried in the Rural Schools?—Miss Callie Shannon.

1:30 to 2:00—The End in View and the Means to It in the Teaching of (Continued on Page 9.)

Suicide at Galveston.

Texas News Service Special.
Galveston, Tex., Dec. 17.—A man believed to be George Wittich, aged about fifty years, from San Antonio, was this morning found dead hanging underneath the approach from the beach to the boulevard at Tremont street. The only means of identification is a shareholder's pass to San Antonio bearing his name.

MUCH UNDERTAKEN BY ASSOCIATION

**DISTRICT ORGANIZATION ADDED
SEVERAL FEATURES TO ITS
WORK YESTERDAY.**

INTENDS TO ADVERTISE

**Will Send Representative North and
East—Legislative Work—Head-
quarters Stay Here.**

The meeting of the District Association at Henrietta yesterday was a notable one in several ways and the delegates managed to get a good deal of real business sandwiched in between the entertainment features that Henrietta provided.

The features of the Association's work were:

The sending of an advertising representative into Northwestern and the Eastern states.

The appointment of legislative committees for Texas and Oklahoma.

The enlargement of the Association's scope and the extension of its workings.

The locating of the headquarters in Wichita Falls until the March meeting at least.

The selection of Childress as the March meeting place.

President M. H. Kerrigan of Quanah, presided at the meeting and J. C. Mytinger of this city officiated as secretary. The meeting was opened with the invocation by Rev. Phillip Cline of Henrietta, following which H. A. Allen, vice president of the Henrietta Board of Trade, extended Henrietta's welcome in hearty style. Judge A. H. Carrigan of this city, responded on behalf of the visitors.

Homer D. Wade of the Stamford Commercial Club and chairman of the executive committee of the Texas Commercial Secretaries Association, delivered an address on "Commercial Club Work," which introduced some meritorious organizations. A. A. Glisson, new features of the duties of commercial passenger agent for the Fort Worth and Denver, delivered a very interesting talk on industrial co-operation and the need of "pulling together."

The speech-making over, the association got down to business. The exhibit car matter was brought up and deferred until the next meeting, Secretary Mytinger being instructed in the meantime to take the matter up with the members and see what support could be secured for the enterprise. It was decided that it was hardly feasible to undertake it at this time.

A resolution providing for the employing a man to go as advertising agent into the northern and eastern states, was introduced and adopted. This representative is to be selected by the board of directors of the association and is to be well equipped with literature and every means for giving this section all the publicity possible in these states.

It was decided that the scope of the association's work must be enlarged and there was quite a little discussion along these lines. The secretary was instructed to endeavor to secure the membership of the commercial organizations at Seymour, Memphis and Clarendon, in Texas, and Hollis and Elk City, in Oklahoma.

Dr. Bell of Iowa Park, introduced a resolution providing for a legislative committee to work for the association along that line. The resolution was adopted and a committee will be appointed from each club to perfect the organization. Dr. Bell was appointed chairman of the Texas section of the committee and Judge Clay of Mangum was appointed for the Oklahoma section.

R. E. Huff of Wichita Falls, introduced a resolution thanking Henrietta for her good entertainment of the visitors and it was carried by a rising vote.

The selection of the next place of meeting was next and Paducah and Childress were placed in nomination. The contest waxed quite warm, but Childress was victorious by a safe majority and the next meeting will be held in that city.

Mr. Vance of Petrolia, extended an invitation to all the visitors who remain over until today to take dinner at Petrolia as guests of the Commercial Club of that city, which invitation was accepted.

The resignation of Secretary Gohlke was submitted, but action was delayed

until the next meeting. The board of directors recommended that no change be made for the present and this recommendation was adopted. One of the Quanah delegates moved that Wichita Falls be made the permanent headquarters of the association, but this was ruled out of order, as action had already been taken.
Adjournment of the business session was then taken.

DECISION REVERSED.

Kentucky Court of Appeals Reverses in Burley Case.

By Associated Press.
Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 17.—The Court of Appeals today reversed the action of Circuit Judge Benton of Winchester, in appointing receivers for the Pools Burley Tobacco Society.

KING LEOPOLD IS AMONG THE DEAD

**BELGIUM'S RULER PASSED AWAY
EARLY THIS MORNING—END
WAS PEACEFUL.**

BRUSSELS IN MOURNING

**Regency Council Will Conduct Affairs
Until Prince Albert can Ascend
Throne.**

By Associated Press.

Brussels, Dec. 17.—King Leopold died at 2:35 o'clock this morning, following several weeks' illness with intestinal trouble.

All Brussels mourns today. The flags on all the public buildings are at half mast and private houses are draped in the crepe of mourning.

The body of the departed king, clothed in the uniform of a lieutenant-general, remains in the chamber of "The Palms," where death occurred last night. It is surrounded, only by those who in life won and retained the king's close friendship.

The expression on the face of the dead monarch is peaceful and serene, as though the end came without any haunting memory of the scandals and suffering to which the king had been subjected.

The body will be placed in its casket this evening and then the period of mourning will officially begin. Death occurred at 2:35 this morning.

The regency council, composed of the regular council and ministers, will be formed today and it will nominally hold the reins of government until Prince Albert, the heir to the throne, has taken the oath of ascension.

By Associated Press.

Brussels, Dec. 17.—King Leopold leaves his daughters. It is said, personal property valued at three million dollars, inherited from his father.

Sensational rumors that the Baroness Vaughn has fled from Belgium, are believed unfounded. It is stated that if she refuses to leave the country she will be expelled.

COLD WEATHER NOW IN TEXAS AND OKLAHOMA

Texas News Service Special.

Fulda, Okla., Dec. 17.—Eastern Oklahoma is today experiencing the cold weather this season, followed by a drop of thirty degrees last night. The blizzard has crippled the wire service. Incoming trains today are arriving late.

Texas News Service Special.
Canyon City, Tex., Dec. 17.—A fierce snow blizzard is today raging over the upper Panhandle and Southwestern Oklahoma. Snow began to fall at 11 o'clock last night, and the temperature is gradually becoming colder as the velocity of the wind is increasing.

Texas News Service Special.
Amarillo, Tex., Dec. 17.—The temperature here during the night registered sixteen degrees above zero. A heavy snow storm today is widespread over the Panhandle. The winter wheat is greatly benefitted.

Returns Home With Bride.

W. S. Curlee returned home today from Waco, where he was married on December 14th to Miss Myrtle James of that city. The will make their home at 903 10th street. Mr. Curlee is an estimable and popular young man and the bride is one of Waco's most admirable young ladies.

Nice fresh cakes and crackers at
165-4f **SHERROD & CO.**

HENRIETTA WAS GENEROUS HOST

**NOTHING WAS SPARED TO MAKE
STAY OF VISITORS THERE AN
ENJOYABLE ONE.**

SHE DID HERSELF PROUD

**Automobiles Rides, Theatrical Perform-
ance and Supper Were Among
the Features.**

The tangible results of the Henrietta meeting, which are discussed in another column, did not constitute everything that transpired in the Clay county seat and no mention of the meeting would be complete without paying Henrietta the heartiest kind of compliment for the generous entertainment she provided. To Secretary James T. Denton of the Henrietta Board of Trade, is due much of the credit for the thoroughness of the entertainment and he certainly sustained his reputation as a live wire.

Automobiles and other vehicles met every train and all visitors were loaded on board, appropriately tagged, and taken for a ride around the city, to begin with. The afternoon was taken up with the business meeting.

Last night a home talent theatrical performance was presented for the benefit of the visitors and although the participants were amateurs, their work exceeded much that is seen on the professional stage. One of the features was a song about the various towns represented, the last line in each verse being relieved by a bang from the drum. The verse about Wichita Falls was as follows:

"In Wichita Falls they have Frank Kell,
He gets what wants in spite of
(bang.)"
The verses about the other towns were similar to this one.

After the show there was a luncheon served. It was hinted today that the liquid refreshments were not confined to soda water but as Henrietta is a prohibition town, it is unlikely that this is true.

Late last night the delegates pulled out for their homes, full to the brim of Henrietta hospitality.

SIX GIRLS MAY HAVE MET DEATH IN BLAZE

By Associated Press.
Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 17.—At least five girls, who were employed in the six-story building which was occupied by Schrack and Sherwood, manufacturers of undertakers supplies, and which was destroyed by fire yesterday are missing, and it is feared they were burned to death.

One fireman was killed while searching for a missing woman.
A score of persons sustained burns and other minor injuries.

FOUR KILLED IN WRECK.

Fatal Collision Today on Georgia Central Road.

Columbus, Ga., Dec. 17.—Four persons were killed and a number of others injured this morning when a Central Georgia passenger train collided with a passenger train on the Macon and Birmingham road at Harris City, Ga.

Three were seriously injured. The dead:

W. P. RAWLS, joint state agent.

H. C. WILLIAMS, a bystander.

W. A. McHARG, Harris City.

JACK HOLT, negro employee.

BARONESS VAUGHN WAS WIFE OF KING LEOPOLD

By Associated Press.
Paris, France, Dec. 17.—A dispatch from Rome says that the Vatican confirms the report of the marriage of King Leopold at San Reno, Italy, last year.

It will be remembered that the baroness was the subject of much of the scandal of the king's latter years. She lived with him for several years and bore him two children, as a result of which the king's two younger daughters left him. While recognized by the Catholic church as Leopold's "morganatic wife, it was never known until today that she was ever officially married to him.

Christmas Gifts for Men and Boys

Its time to choose a Christmas present for the men folks and boys. Something sensible is the kind of selections that will be appreciated. Get them something to wear and at this store.

COLLIER & HENDRICKS

WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS

Our Furnishing Goods Section.

Just pay our Furnishing Goods section a call and take a look at our great line of Xmas Neckwear, Hosiery and Handkerchiefs. A hundred and one things here for the men or boys and you will be asked to pay only the very lowest prices.

OUR GREAT Stock Reducing Sale Men's and Boy's Suits

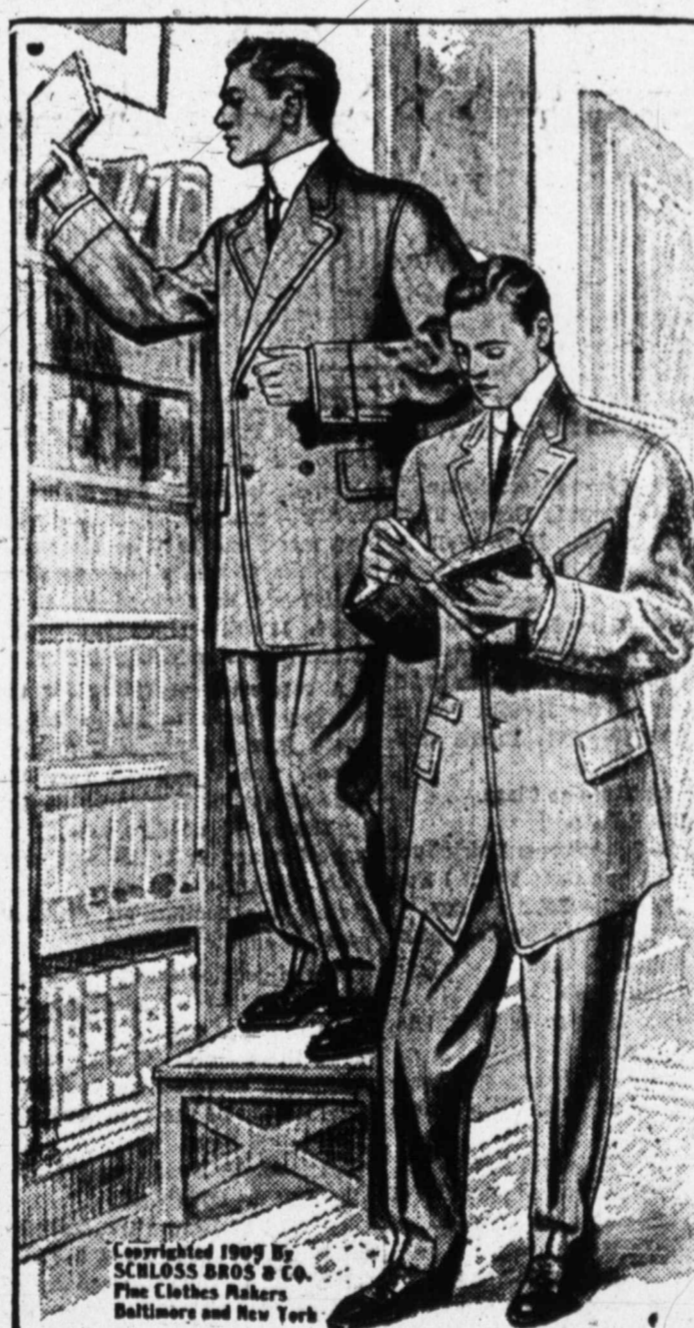
Commencing Tuesday, December 14

Every Suit in Our Big Stock Embraced in this Money-Saving Sale

We are going to make a change in our business about the 1st. of the year and must reduce our stock to the very lowest, and this big sale was inaugurated to clear out the surplus before January 1st. It is the first cut price sale of the season. Note the very low prices in force. Do not fail to reap the benefits of this sale. Every suit in stock, from the cheapest to the very finest, embraced in the discount offers mentioned below. We have a collection second to none in the city from which to make your selections.

Regular \$15.00 Suits at \$11.75
EXTRA SPECIAL
All Classes of Suits go at Liberal Reductions for this Big Sale.
Lot of Men's regular \$15.00 Suits, in the very best styles, all Wool, Worsted and nobby Cheviots, merely broken lines, all in one lot, at choice **\$11.75**

We Offer Choice of \$35.00 Suit in stock now, at only **\$27.50**
We Offer Choice of any \$30.00 Suit in stock, now at only **\$23.50**
We Offer Choice of any \$27.50 Suit in stock, now at only **\$22.50**
We Offer Choice of any \$25.00 Suit in stock, now at only **\$19.50**
We Offer Choice of any \$22.50 Suit in stock, now at only **\$17.50**
We Offer Choice of any \$20.00 Suit in stock, now at only **\$15.50**
We Offer Choice of any \$18.50 Suit in stock, now at only **\$14.50**



Gifts Marked at \$1.00
At the popular price of \$1.00 you can make many selections in Christmas Gifts in our Furnishing Goods Department. Read this partial list.

The Newest Handsome Christmas Box containing Hose and Scarf to match, in a wide range of coloring, marked, only, a box **\$1.00**

Handkerchiefs—Fine Linen in great variety—Men's Initial. 1/2 dozen to the box, at only **\$1.00**

\$1.50 Suit Cases, change in business price **95c**

20 dozen Half Hose, worth 50c, 65c and 75c, at only **35c**

60 dozen Half Hose, worth 25c and 35c, at only **15c**

MUFFLERS—The New Ways Muffler for men, women, boys and girls, collar sizes, newest of the new in mufflers. Have a mercerized finish that will not come off at the popular price **50c**

SUSPENDERS—Men's Christmas Suspenders, put up in fancy boxes, all fresh stock lately received, many selections, at only **50c**

FANCY VESTS ON SALE—Men's \$3.50, \$4.00 and \$5.00 Fancy Vests, in the best styles, special, choice **\$2.95**

A few dozen suits Silk and Wool Underwear, worth \$5.00 a suit, at only **\$3.00**

100 Dozen Cotton Ribbed and Fleece Lined Shirts Drawers, 75c per garment, at only **43c**

A large line of Men's Work Gloves, worth 75c and \$1.00, at only **49c**

Boy's Clothing
Ivan-Frank & Co. Celebrated Make at Cost.

Our Christmas Neckwear
We are more than well prepared to serve you with the best in Christmas Neckwear for Men and Boys. Make your selections early while the assortment is at it very best.
NECKWEAR—Our exceptional "Pomeroy" Neckwear, made of the finest non-crushable silk, in black, white and solid colors and fancy patterns in great value at **50c**

350 Pairs of Boy's Shoes at Less Than Cost.

These Sale Prices are for Cash Only. Nothing Will Be Charged

<p>Hats 200 celebrated Mallory Cravinet Hats, regular price \$3.00 and \$3.50, in this sale, at only \$1.98</p>	<p>300 Fine Wool Shirts At 25 Per Cent Discount</p> <p>\$3.50 Eagle Shirts, at \$2.65 \$3.00 Eagle Shirts, at 2.25 \$2.50 Red Seal Shirts 1.88 \$2.00 Red Seal Shirts 1.50 \$1.75 Red Seal Shirts 1.32 \$1.50 Red Seal Shirts 1.13 \$1.25 Red Seal Shirts .95</p>	<p>500 Fine Negligee Shirts In Eagle Make. \$3.50, \$3.00 and \$2.50 grade, choice only at \$1.98</p> <p>Eagle Negligee Shirts \$2.00, \$1.75 and \$1.50 grade at 25 Per Cent Discount</p>	<p>Men's Overcoats</p> <p>\$27.50 Overcoats go at \$22.50 \$25.00 Overcoats go at 19.50 \$22.50 Overcoats go at 17.50 \$20.00 Overcoats go at 15.50 \$18.50 Overcoats go at 14.50 \$15.00 Overcoats go at 11.75 \$12.50 Overcoats go at 9.50 \$10.00 Overcoats go at 8.15</p>
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COLLIER & HENDRICKS

DON'T WAIT
For Another Cold Snap
To Buy Your Gas Heater
But Come Get It Now

Those Detroit Jewels are Jewels indeed. The swellest line of heaters ever shown in this section of the country.

Noble Gas Appliance Co.

Wichita Grain and Coal Company
Feed and Coal

We always keep the best feed stuffs, such as Hay, Chops, Bran, Oats, Corn, Cotton Seed Meal, etc. Try that "Nutrio" the best of all cow feeds, the feed that produces the most milk and butter. Also, we keep the best grades of the Colorado coal, the coal that makes the least soot, and no cinders. Once tried always used.

JOE M. ERWIN, Proprietor

Xmas Goods!

Come to our store, let us show the nice Chinaware at prices lower than ever known, also have the White China for painting. These are beauties.

Get the little boys an Air Gun, we have them.

DO NOT FORGET OUR BUGGIES FROM \$50.00 UP
Implements in Proportion.

In fact, we are giving genuine bargains in everything. Come see for yourself.

Wilson Hardware Company

The Reznor and Wilson
GAS HEATING STOVES

The stove that heats the floor first, gives the most and best heat for the smallest consumption of gas. The Reznor is the stove to buy. We have them.

Kerr & Hursh

AMUSEMENTS

"Little Johnny Jones," the musical play by Geo. M. Cohan, which has scored such a phenomenal success will be presented at the Wichita Theatre on Tuesday, December 21 by a company of seventy-five people and with the entire original scenic production. The Chicago Calumet says:

"The best exceled in perhaps the concise and correct manner in which to describe 'Little Johnny Jones' as presented at the Calumet Theatre last night. People who witnessed the play during the six performances which it gave at the Calumet readily admitted this fact. They complimented the management upon its selection of so worthy an attraction and expressed a wish that it would continue to offer plays of that calibre.

Few, if any, thought that a better play would be presented at the Calumet this season. The first night audience last night, however, was most agreeably surprised with 'Little Johnny Jones' as produced at the Calumet last night was more of the South Chicago ideal than its predecessor. The magnitude of the production, with its cast of fifty people, its gorgeous costumes and its massive scenery, outrivalling a large majority of the stupendous melodramas produced at the Calumet, bewildered the audience. It was one of the most agreeable surprises that have greeted the patrons at the local theatre in years.

But those who have taken the places of the stars are very worthy successors. The cast from top to bottom is first class and the people have been well chosen for their respective parts. All the famous Cohan songs, twenty in number, have been retained. There is the same incidents so dear to the hearts of the Calumet playgoers. The scenery is new, massive and novel. Harry Morton plays the part of 'The Unknown' and is a real clever comedian.

Ghad Heuber interprets the Cohan role to perfection. He gives a most



Scene in "Little Johnny Jones."

woman, in a creditable manner. She is a petite little lady and makes a pretty appearance. Ed Holbert plays the bell boy and several other parts in a manner that merits commendation.

The Gingerbread Men Very Popular.

See them at the Cream Bakery. There was great excitement at the Cream Bakery yesterday when three thousand little Brown Men invaded the store, they were not Japs, but cute little Gingerbread Men who came with



"The Fairy Queen," With "THE GINGER BREAD MAN."

accurate impersonation of the "Yankee Doodle Comedian," sings in the same nasal tone, dances in the same weird manner and acts in the same sprightly manner as the man who wrote the play, composed the music and created the character of "Little Johnny Jones."

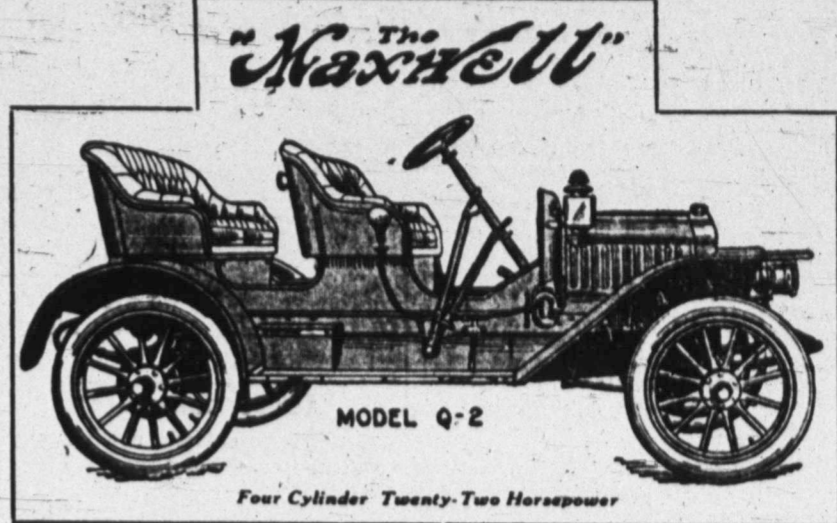
Miss Amy Morton, who plays the part of Goldie Gates and impersonates Rosarie Fanchette, the French actress, and the Earl of Bloomsbury, is an actress of pronounced ability. She sings well, dances gracefully, her impersonations are very clever and she is at all times equal to the occasion. William Lafferty as Sing Song, the Chinese editor is a capable actor and does well in a difficult part. Miss Vera Edmunds also does well in the part of "Flora Belle Fly," the newspaper

a peace offering in the way of telling the good people of Wichita Falls that they are to act as envoys to the advent of their big brother, The Gingerbread Man, who will be seen at the Wichita Theatre Dec. 22, in one of the biggest and most elaborate nursery rhyme musical shows ever presented in this city. The little Brown Men come fresh from the musical bakery and all want to go to homes of the good people of this city. It is hard to resist eating them, for you to see they are so good and palatable. If you want to get one of these cunning little people go to the Cream Bakery, Tuesday, December 21, and tell the handsome Prince who presides behind the counter that you want a Gingerbread Man.

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SCENE IN "LITTLE JOHNNY JONES."



MOTOR 3 3-4x4 inches. Ignition Double, Magneto and Battery. Transmission Sliding Gear, three speeds forward and reverse. WHEELBASE 83 inches, WHEELS 30 inches. TIRES 30x3 1-2, COLOR, blue with black leather upholstery.

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We are now in a position to show our 1910 line of MAXWELL and BUICK cars, and would like to call especial attention to the above car which is the greatest value ever offered at the price and at the same time a car that has its reputation established.

We are always glad to demonstrate. We will keep your car in the garage, keep it washed and polished and deliver same on calls for \$10.00 per month.

We carry a full line of tires and accessories and have two first-class automobile mechanics.

The Wills Automobile Company
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The First National Bank
 of Wichita Falls, Texas

Condition of Bank at Close of Business November 16, 1909

RESOURCES	
Bills Receivable	\$371,767.30
U. S. Bonds and Stocks	79,375.10
Banking House	16,600.00
Cash and Exchange	124,391.47
Total	\$592,133.87

LIABILITIES	
Capital	\$ 75,000.00
Surplus and Profits	74,153.26
National Bank Notes	75,000.00
Deposits	367,980.61
Total	\$592,133.87

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

R. E. HUFF, President. W. M. MCGREGOR, Cashier.

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Surplus and Undivided Profits 115,000.00

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Ed Howard..... General Manager
John Gould..... City Editor

Wichita Falls, Texas, Dec. 17th, 1909.

WEATHER FORECAST.

For Wichita Falls and vicinity.
—Tonight and Saturday, unsettled weather. Rain or snow to night or Saturday. Colder to night.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

For Judge 30th Judicial District
P. A. MARTIN.

For District Attorney, 30th Judicial District.
S. M. FOSTER.

In a south Texas town, a sixteen year old boy, weighing 175 pounds, over six feet tall and with a healthy hirsute adornment on his face, purchased some beer in a saloon, but the judge refused to revoke the license. The last legislature refused to pass a law punishing the minor in such cases along with the saloon keeper.

The meeting of the Associated Commercial clubs of Northwest Texas and Southwest Oklahoma at Henrietta was a marked success in point of attendance and enthusiasm. The people of Henrietta did the handsome thing in the way of entertaining the delegates, and everyone of them was made to feel easy and at home.

The school-marms who gather in Wichita Falls tomorrow are not from New Hampshire, but they instruct the youth of this land in the fear of the Lord and the glory of the Democratic party, just the same.

The joy that passeth all understanding abounds in our hearts when we see one of these late Christmas shoppers jammed in between a fat lady with a dog and a crippled man with a bad cold.

The Houston high school, which caught fire recently, was emptied in twenty seconds by the fire drill. There is an object lesson in that, and it does not take a great power of discernment to find it.

What has become of the "Christmas suggestion" writer who told you how to make a beautiful present for father out of a barrel hoop, half a dozen tin cans and a piece of gunny sack?

The fact that Sunday follows Christmas this year may eliminate the baneful turkey hash which makes us all want to cut the day after Christmas clear out of the year.

The Pullman Company is starting a movement against the tipping of sleeping-car porters. And thus another grasping octopus gets soaked and we plain people win again.

Billy Hearst is planning to organize another new party. At this rate, declining parties may soon see fit to secure his services as general political rejuvenator.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Gould Brokaw are the parties in the latest juicy divorce scandal. You can count on that name Gould breaking into the divorce headlines every time.

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION OF First State Bank & Trust Company

Wichita Falls, Texas

At the close of business Nov. 16, 1909.

RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts..... \$172,415.57
Bills of Exchange, Cotton..... 28,245.49
Furniture and Fixtures..... 4,437.13
Cash, on hand..... 18,465.88
Due from Banks..... 60,800.73
..... \$284,365.70

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock..... \$75,000.00
Surplus..... 5,000.00
Undivided Profits..... 4,968.28
Deposits..... 179,397.70
..... \$194,365.98

The above statement is correct
T. C. THATCHER, Cashier.

A Washington dispatch says the United States may annex Nicaragua as one of her possessions. The Lord forbid! We have plenty on our hands at home.

We are glad that Zelaya has resigned, but would have liked it a lot better if it had been Joe Cannon, or Aldrich.

After yesterday, we are inclined to take it all back. Henrietta isn't such a bad town after all.

CAUSES CONSUMPTION.

If you have catarrh, don't fool yourself into the belief that it is a harmless disease.

At least one-half of the consumption in the world can be traced to catarrh. Here are some symptoms of catarrh: If you have any of them get rid of them while there is yet time:

- Is your throat raw?
- Do you sneeze often?
- Is your breath foul?
- Are your eyes watery?
- Do you take cold easily?
- Is your nose stopped up?
- Do you have to spit often?
- Do crusts form in your nose?
- Do you blow your nose a great deal?
- Are you losing your sense of smell?
- Does your mouth taste bad mornings?
- Do you have to clear your throat on rising?
- Do you have a discharge from the nose?
- Does mucous drop in back of throat?

Hyomel is guaranteed to cure catarrh, sore throat, coughs, colds, croup, and bronchitis or money back. Just breathe it in. Complete outfit, including hard rubber inhaler, \$1.00; extra bottles 50 cents. Leading druggists everywhere sell Hyomel. MATTER-WALKER DRUG CO. guarantees it.

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Don't forget to use a little Prickly Ash Bitters whenever the stomach or bowels are disordered. It quickly corrects such troubles and makes you feel bright and cheerful. Matter-Walker Drug Co., Agents.

For breakfast bacon and hams, phone us; we can please you.
185-2t TREVATHAN & BLAND.

The ladies of the Christian church will serve a chicken pie dinner Saturday, December 18th, in the old Trevathan & Bland building. 183-4tc

Feed! Feed! Feed.
Phone 437 for coal and feed of all kinds.
122-tf MARICLE COAL Co.

We want your fruit cake order.
Phone 64.
185-2t TREVATHAN & BLAND.

Nice breakfast bacon and small hams at KING'S. Phone 261. 186-tf

Your orders are solicited for the holiday trade. Phone 64.
185-2t TREVATHAN & BLAND.

The dinner to be given by the ladies of the Christian church tomorrow at the old Trevathan & Bland building will cost thirty-five cents. 186-1tc

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Call 444 and I will come to see you and give you figures that we will handle your 1910 business on, assuring you the best service possible at all times.

We solicit all your business but we will appreciate a SHARE, if you do not feel disposed to give one man all.

We want to influence our men to equally distribute their purchases to those who patronize us.

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\$30.00 Suits for	\$22.58
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These are the Only Requirements in the "Red Goose" Drawing Contest

FIRST, the drawing must be made on a good clean sheet of drawing paper or drawing board, about the same size as those used in the drawing classes in your school.

SECOND, your name, your parents' or guardians' name, your home address your age at your nearest birthday and the name of your school must be plainly written on the back.

THIRD, the drawing must be brought in by yourself and handed in at our Shoe Department. (An exception will be made for those children who through sickness or misfortune cannot come in person.

The contest will close February 1st, 1910, and on or before that date all of your drawings must be presented. You can bring them in as much earlier as you like. The prizes will be awarded 2 weeks later, as the committee will require this amount of time to select the best.

Now, all you boys and girls, let's see how well you can draw. Make a picture of the RED GOOSE and bring it in as soon as you have it finished. And come in and see the big RED GOOSE Exhibition. This is something every boy and girl should see.

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WANTED—To make estimates on your plumbing. Repair work done promptly.—MAXWELL HARDWARE CO. —176-tf.

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FOR SALE—Wyandotte cockrels, 811 10th street. 186-3tp

FOR SALE—3 good tents cheap, also good roll top desk. Fields Furniture Co., 908 Indiana avenue. 185-3tp

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FOR SALE OR TRADE—One 40-H. P. American passenger touring car; used only nine months. J. A. FREEMAN, Waco, Texas. 169-26tc

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WANTED—Bed room set. Phone 253. Nate's Cafe. 186-3tc

WANTED—White woman to do general house work. Apply 701 Lamar, or phone 398. 172-18tp

WANTED—500 packages to deliver at once. Let's everybody get busy and ring 742, Star Messenger, who gets busy. 186-2tp

WANTED—First class lady cook for restaurant. See S. A. Rollins at Linton's rooming house on Ohio avenue. 185-3tp

FINLAND SUMMERS.

Effect of the Famous "White Nights" Upon Vegetation.

The famous "white nights" of the north are a most surprising phenomenon to the visitor from southern climes. It is a weird experience, declares A. M. Scott in "Through Finland," to sit for the first time upon a veranda at midnight and read a newspaper or to walk home from a restaurant at 1 o'clock in the morning and to see people still gossiping at the street corners or strolling along the promenades under a bright, clear sky.

A spirit of rest and peace is over all the earth. The sky is bright, not with the fiery brilliancy of noon, but with a tender, gentle radiance. The colors of the landscape have become softened, but not blended. There are no shadows save for a week or two in June, when the bright northern sky at midnight projects faint, ghostlike shadows toward the south. The sun just dips below the horizon and no more. There is no division between the sunset and the dawn. The same rosy flush serves for both.

Summer in Finland is, in fact, one long day. Never a star is to be seen, and when the first faint star glimmers in the south it is a sign that the summer is past and that the autumn frosts have arrived.

The long light has a marvelous effect upon vegetation, forcing its growth at a hothouse pace. The "white nights" account both for the suddenness of the burgeoning and for the intensity of the heat. Land and water have no time to cool. One cannot fail to be struck with the enormous size of the foliage upon the oak and hawthorn trees as compared to that to which we are accustomed. Botanists have explained this as being due to the larger supply of light. It has sometimes been suggested that we may hasten the harvests by the use of artificial lights. Nature herself does this for the Finnish farmer.

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There is a reason for the phenomenal sale of Parisian Sage in the United States during the past three years.

And the reason is plain to all: Parisian Sage does just what it is advertised to do.

Ask **MATER-WALKER** about it, they will tell you that they rigidly guarantee it to cure dandruff, stop falling hair or itching scalp in two weeks or money back.

There is no reason whatever why any man or woman should fail to take advantage of the above generous offer.

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Sold everywhere, and in Wichita Falls by **MATER-WALKER DRUG CO.** for 50 cents a large bottle.

Call and see our store and let us show you the many good things we offer. You will be pleased.

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Shaving Stands and Costumers in Oak and Early English.

Complete line of Office Chairs and Desks.

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803 Indiana Avenue

Where Xmas Shopping Is Made Easy

Farm and Garden

SCIENCE ON THE SOIL.

An Increase of Yield Obtained by Chemical Treatment.

This is the age of scientific farming. Take the results from grain by the application of phosphates to the soil. The lack of phosphates is not limited to the older sections of the country. In Wisconsin, for example, it has been customary in the wooded districts to clear but small fields and crop these fields continuously for a number of years very largely to grasses for hay, chiefly timothy. This practice has had the effect of greatly reducing the available phosphates of the



GOOD EFFECTS ON CORN FROM ACID PHOSPHATE

soil, and in such cases exceptional care will be needed to restore the supply of available phosphates.

In the spring of 1908 a farmer in Wisconsin made an extensive experiment with phosphate on clay loam land which had not given satisfactory yields the preceding year. For this purpose he purchased four tons of acid phosphate, using it on oats sowed to clover and on corn in three different amounts—namely, 100, 200 and 400 pounds per acre. The result of this experiment is given in the following quotation from a letter from the experimenter:

"I am of the opinion the grain (oats) was thicker on the ground, and there were more cuts at thrashing than where the fertilizer was not used. On the heavier soils the difference was apparent very early in the season, and later on, when the grain headed out, the pieces could be picked out readily, the stand was thicker and more uniform in fact, some of it was as nice cuts as I ever saw stand up. I found that where we used 100 pounds it was somewhat better, when 200 pounds were used it was very much better, and when we used 400 pounds the best results were obtained. The benefit was even more apparent in the corn



WHERE NO ACID WAS USED.

than in the oats, the stand was far better and more vigorous, towering above the other beside it, and the color, too, was different, being a rich green of a darker hue."

Similar experiments have been made in Illinois and Ohio.

The cuts here presented show the beneficial effect of acid phosphate on corn. An increased yield of large and well filled ears resulted, where phosphate was used compared with a light yield and nubbins where none was used.

Electricity on Farms.

Electric power companies are being formed in Pennsylvania and other eastern states which are thickly settled to supply light and power to farms. One Philadelphia company is now making contracts over six counties.

Nature's Gift from the Sunny South

Georgia's State Chemist Praises "Nature's Gift from the Sunny South"

J. H. McCandless, State Chemist of Georgia, before a recent gathering of Cotton Seed men, gave emphatic praise to the high quality of *Cottolene*. He said:

"The sale of this product and the proclamation that it is made of cotton seed oil have done more to bring cotton seed oil truthfully and favorably before the public than anything else in recent history."

Mr. McCandless then pointed out that a pure, refined, vegetable-oil product such as *Cottolene*, is the only assurance a woman has of a clean, digestible, cooking fat.

It seems a positive wonder in the light of all that has lately been said and written, and what is known of lard, where it comes from, of what it may be made, that anyone will continue its use, when pure, sweet and healthful *Cottolene* can be so easily obtained.

COTTOLENE is Guaranteed Your grocer is hereby authorized to refund your money in case you are not pleased, after having given *Cottolene* a fair test.

Never Sold in Bulk *Cottolene* is packed in pails with an air-tight top to keep it clean, fresh and wholesome, and prevent it from catching dust and absorbing disagreeable odors, such as fish, oil, etc.

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Fooled Them.

Every instructor at Chautauqua is required to fill out a paper answering a number of necessary and unnecessary questions. One year there was a remarkably handsome male member of the faculty in whom all the girl students were much interested. "Is he married or unmarried?" became an all absorbing question. Finally some of them had the courage to approach the college secretary and ask if the files might be looked over. And there the handsome professor, anticipating perhaps some such investigation, had recorded his matrimonial pretensions as follows: "Married or single? Yes."

Sweet Revenge.

"It must be fine to be under contract to write exclusively for a big magazine." "And to have all the other magazines clamoring for your work, eh?" "Just so. Think of the satisfaction of sending 'em a printed refusal slip." —Louisville Courier Journal.

Not Mechanical.

A song and dance comedian was working in a cheap vaudeville house where a performance was given hourly. The tired performer had made nine appearances and had fallen asleep on his trunk when the manager poked him in the ribs and said: "Hey, you—wake up! It's time for you to go on again." "Say," retorted the performer, "I can't go on again. What do you take me for—a film?" —Metropolitan Magazine.

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Stealing Sea Water.

"They arrested me in Italy for stealing a bucket of water out of the sea." The reporter laughed. He thought that the tourist on the pier was joking, but the tourist resumed: "It's a fact. You can't draw water out of the Italian seas without a permit. The idea is to prevent your dodging the salt tax. Salt, you know, is very heavily taxed in Italy. It's a government monopoly. You buy it only in the government tobacco shops—a nickel a package, vest pocket size. And the government won't let you monkey with sea water lest you extract the salt from it."

Be particular where your clothes are cleaned and pressed. Send them to the City Tailor Shop, 715 7th street. —178-4tc

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For Christmas

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Don't forget our Second-Hand Department. It will save you many dollars. Stoves bought and sold at

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We have a complete line of appropriate Gift Tokens in new handkerchiefs, furs, drawn work [handkerchiefs put up in boxes], mufflers, silk hose, combs, towels, Dorothy dainty ribbons, collars, neckwear, house slippers, bags, belts, suits, coats and ladies' fine shoes, kid gloves.

Special Prices on Most Everything From December 17th to December 24th

Kid Gloves at Special Prices		Ladies' Suits at Special Prices	
\$1 25 Kid Gloves	98c	\$25 00 Suits	12 50
1 50 " "	1 10	\$30, \$35 and \$39.50 Suits	19 50
1 75 " "	1 39	\$45 00 Suits	24 50
2 25 " "	1 79		
Felt Slippers at Special Prices		Ladies' Coats at Special Prices	
\$1 50 Felt Slippers	1 25	\$25 00 Coats only	14 25
1 75 " "	1 48	35 00 " "	17 50
2 00 " "	1 75	40 00 " "	25 00
Ladies' Fine Shoes		Ladies' Hose at Special Prices	
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4 00 " "	3 25	65c " "	50c
5 00 " "	3 75		
6 00 " "	3 95		

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A LOVE TRAGEDY.

Ruskin's Adoration of the Lovely Rose La Touche.

In 1858, when Ruskin was in his fortieth year, he was asked by a friend to give some lessons in drawing to a child named Rose La Touche, whose name, indeed, was French; but whose family were Irish. There sprang up between Ruskin and this young girl a very charming friendship, which, of course, at the time could be nothing but a friendship. They wrote each other letters and exchanged drawings, and then for a while they did not meet.

Ten years passed by before they saw each other. Meanwhile the child, whom he had remembered as a blue eyed, saucy, clever little blond with ripe red lips and hair like fine spun gold, had become a very lovely young woman of nineteen. They resumed their old acquaintance, but in a very different way. Though Ruskin was now nearly fifty, he gave to Rose La Touche an adoration and a passion such as he had never felt before. On her side she no longer thought of him as "very ugly," but was singularly drawn to him despite the difference in their years.

The two met often. They took long strolls together in the pleasant fields of Surrey, and at last Ruskin begged her to make him happy and to be his wife. Oddly enough, however, she hesitated, not because he was so much older than herself, but because he had ceased to be what she regarded as "a true believer." Some of the things that he had written shocked her as being almost atheistic. She was herself, underneath all her gaiety of manner, a rigid and uncompromising Protestant. She used phrases from the Bible in her ordinary talk, and when she spoke of marriage with John Ruskin she said that she could not endure to be "yoked with an unbeliever."

Yet her heart was torn at the thought of sending him away, and so for several years their intimacy continued, he pleading with her and striving hard to make her see that love was everything. She, on the other hand, read over those passages of the Old Testament which seemed to bar all compromise.

At last, in 1872, when she was twenty-four and he was fifty-three, she gave him her final answer. She would not marry him unless he could believe as she did. His honesty forbade him to deceive her by a pretended conversion, and so they parted, never to see each other again. How deeply she was affected is shown by the fact that she soon fell ill. She grew worse and worse until at last it was quite certain that she could not live. Then Ruskin wrote to her and begged that he might see her. She answered with a note in which she feebly traced the words: "You may come if you can tell me that you love God more than you love me."

When Ruskin read this his very soul was racked with agony, and he cried out:

"No, no; then I cannot go to her, for I love her even more than God!"

When she died, as she did soon after, the light of his life went out for Ruskin.—Lyndon Orr in Munsey's Magazine.

The Ocean's Age.

The ocean, of course, is not as old as the earth, because it could not be formed until the surface of the globe had sufficiently cooled to retain water upon it, but it seems chimerical to try to measure the age of the sea. Nevertheless Professor Joly undertook the task, basing his estimate upon the ratio of the amount of sodium it contains to that annually contributed by the washing from the continents. He thus reached the conclusion that the ocean has been in existence between 80,000,000 and 170,000,000 years. This does not seem a very definite determination, but then in geology estimates of time in years are extremely difficult because of the uncertainty of the elements of the calculation. The most that can be said for such results is that they are probable.

Couldn't Signal It!

During some tactical operations one of the ships of the squadron had made some bad blunders, and at length the admiral completely lost his temper. He stormed about his quarterdeck and informed his bearers of his opinion of the officer in command of the erring ship. When he paused for want of breath he turned to the signaler and said to him, "And you can tell him that, sir!"

The man scratched his head meditatively. "I beg pardon, sir," he ventured, "but I don't think we have quite enough flags for your message."—London Answers.

Cannibalism.

Among regular cannibals the most varied motives have been found. There are Indians who are said to eat their enemies by way of insult and Australians who consume their deceased parents as a mark of affection. Some tribes devour the dead enemy to abolish him utterly, others to assimilate his virtues. Africa has revealed cannibalism of every sort, from the most solemn religious rite to the most prosaic gratification of appetite and taste.

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'As We Forgive Our Debtors'
A Christmas Thought

(By Richard L. Metcalf in the Commoner.)

I met recently, in a gathering of old acquaintances, a woman who had suffered a great wrong yet discharged her duty in a way that must provide inspiration for an unforgiving world. To those who had injured her she had given indisputable proof of an unconditional pardon; and with her forgiving was forgetting.

'I know,' on one occasion said this woman of the great love-heart, 'that I have had much to forgive. But I am the one in this world who can grant the pardon; and I have done it on the promise of the Christ.'

And how to old time friend and whilom 'foe,' to neighbor near and neighbor 'far away,' I send this living thought, this word of perfect peace-of 'Peace on earth good will towards Men.'

Wherever in this vale of tears and vain regrets, of laughter and of joy, there lives one creature who has done me wrong I blot the memory from the realm of human fact.

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No. 312:15 p. m. 12:35 p. m.
No. 511:45 p. m.
No. 72:15 a. m. 2:25 a. m.
Southbound Arrives Leaves
No. 21:50 p. m.
No. 411:15 a. m. 11:35 a. m.
No. 63:25 a. m.
No. 82:25 a. m. 2:35 a. m.
Wichita Falls and Northwestern (Through Train)
Leave Altus 8:05 a. m.
Arrive Wichita Falls.....12:02 p. m.
Leave Wichita Falls 2:00 p. m.
Arrive Altus..... 6:00 p. m.
Local Freight and Passenger.
(Daily Except Sunday)
Leave Wichita Falls 7:30 a. m.
Arrive Frederick.....11:20 a. m.
Leave Frederick12:40 p. m.
Arrive Wichita Falls..... 5:10 p. m.

Wichita Falls and Southern.
Leave Wichita Falls.....2:20 p. m.
Arrive Newcastle 6:30 p. m.
Leave Newcastle 6:30 a. m.
Arrive Wichita Falls10:15 a. m.

Wichita Valley.
No. 1, to Abilene-Leaves.. 2:00 p. m.
No. 5, to Abilene-Leaves..12:05 a. m.
No. 2, From Abilene-Ar...12:15 p. m.
No. 6, From Abilene-Ar... 3:15 a. m.
No. 8, to Byers-Leaves... 9:30 a. m.
No. 10, to Byers-Leaves... 2:30 p. m.
No. 7, From Byers-Arrives..1:30 p. m.
No. 9, From Byers-Arrives..6:05 p. m.
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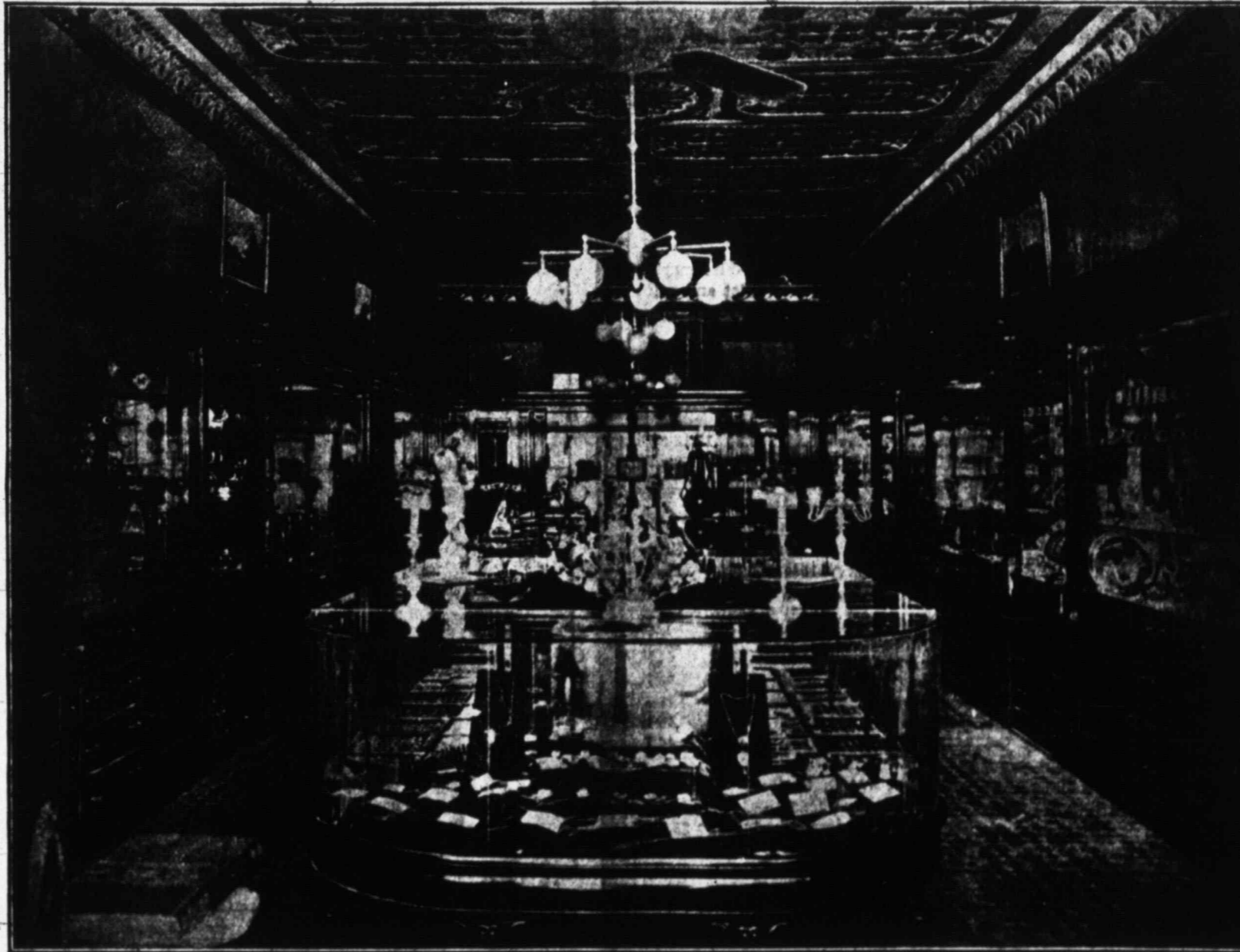
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Grammar—Miss Johnnie Arnold, Miss Ethel Pinkston.

2:30 to 2:45—Recess.

2:45 to 3:30—The Teaching of Agriculture in the Public Schools—Miss May Pridgen, Wier Sullivan.

3:30 to 4:00—Round Table Discussion—led by Miss Minnie Ellis.

Wednesday.

9:00 to 9:30—What is the Aim in Teaching Advanced Geography?—Miss Lela Cormack.

9:30 to 10:00—When You Have Completed Texas History, What Should the Pupil Know of the Period of Statehood?—Miss Lula Burns.

10:00 to 10:30—How Much Literature is It Well to Attempt in Rural Resort to?—Miss Edna Sloan, Miss Schools, and What helps May You Minnie Ellis.

10:30 to 10:45—Recess.

10:45 to 11:30—Should There be a period Set Apart Each Day for the Acquiring of General Information? Tell Your Plan—Lee Clark.

11:30 to 12:00—Round Table Discussion—led by Geo. Alexander.

12:00 to 1:00—Noon Intermission.

1:00 to 1:30—To What Extent Should the Course in Civil Government Prepare the Pupil for Citizenship?—Judge A. H. Carrigan.

1:30 to 2:00—Object of the Recitation. Miss Hattie Smith, Miss Mattie Bradley.

2:00 to 2:30—What Qualifications are Indispensable to the Primary Teacher?—Miss Bessie Wolford, Miss Ella Powell.

2:30 to 2:45—Recess.

2:45 to 3:30—A Digest of Texas School Laws That Every Teacher Should Know—Miss Selma Cloud.

3:30 to 4:00—Round Table Discussion—led by John Finney.

Thursday.

9:00 to 9:30—Has the Pupil in Physical Geography 'A Stock in Store' Which May be Profitably Utilized? Give Pedagogical Principle—E. C. Hall.

9:30 to 10:00—Parallelism of Thought and Form in Composition—Miss Irene Raney.

10:00 to 10:30—A Course of Professional Reading I Recommend to the Average Teacher—Miss Kate Burgess.

Have a regularly Organized Literary Society. My Plan of Organization and Procedure—Miss Elizabeth Wheels.

11:30 to 12:00—Round Table Discussion—led by T. F. Morrow.

12:00 to 1:00—Noon Intermission.

1:00 to 1:45—The One Great Need of Our Schools—T. L. Toland.

1:45 to 2:30—General Instructions to Teachers—County Supt. H. A. Fairchild.

2:30 to 2:45—Recess.

2:45 to 4:00—General Topics and Reports of Committees.

As a committee to spring new questions, in connection with the subject under discussion, the following teachers are appointed:

Lee Clark, Miss Minnie Ellis, Miss Edna Sloan, Miss Johnnie Arnold, A. B. Crane, Miss Emma Childers, John Finney.

Subjects for Round Table Discussion.

1. Should the teacher superintend the playground?

2. Should the pupil be compelled to leave the room during intermission? Are there exceptional cases?

3. How should the pupil enter and leave the room?

4. Should the teacher permit pupils

to come to her for information while others are reciting?

5. The necessity for better sanitation.

6. How to beautify school houses and grounds.

7. The best way to keep-down tardiness.

8. Do we sufficiently emphasize morals and manners.

9. The work of the Humane Society.

10. Has the Mother's Club a place in rural schools?

11. The teachers' social relation to the community.

12. The Indispensable Teacher.

13. Home preparation.

14. Contagious and infectious diseases.

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SHORT ITEMS OF INTEREST

A decided drop in temperature, accompanied by a steady north wind, has followed yesterday's mild weather and the weather is decidedly cool today. The football team will go to Byers tomorrow to play the team of that city tomorrow afternoon. The Wichita boys will hold their final practice tonight at 7:30 at 8th and Ohio. The Wichita County Medical Society held a well-attended banquet at the St. James hotel last night, about twenty physicians being in attendance. Several matters of medical interest were discussed. The Denton Commercial Club is seeking the endorsement by this city of its efforts to be made the site of the black land agricultural experiment station provided for by the state. Temple is the other aspirant for the site. The State Bankers Association is already getting ready for the district meeting which is to be held in Wichita Falls on February 22nd. It is promised that representatives of banks in St. Louis, Chicago and other large cities will be in attendance.

THE MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

Cotton—Liverpool Spots. Liverpool, Dec. 17.—Spot cotton 8.03. Sales, 3,900 bales. Receipts, 1,000 bales.

Cotton—Liverpool Futures. The market for future cotton opened and closed barely steady. Open High Close Dec-Jan 7.81 7.81 7.81 1/2 Jan-Feb 7.86 7.87 7.85 Feb-Mch 7.89 7.89 7.88 Mch-Apr 7.90 7.94 7.91 1/2

Cotton—New York Spots. New York, Dec. 17.—The market for spot cotton opened quiet and 5 points lower. Middling 15.10. Sales, 1,300 bales on contract.

Cotton—New York Futures. The market for future cotton opened and closed steady. Open High Close Jan 14.94 14.95 14.93-a 94 Mch 15.30 15.33 15.31-a 32 May 15.61 15.63 15.60-a 61

Cotton—New Orleans Spots. New Orleans, Dec. 17.—The market for spot cotton opened quiet and price unchanged. Middling, 15 1-16. Sales, 170 bales. To arrive, 1150 bales.

Cotton—New Orleans Futures. The market for future cotton opened and closed steady. Open High Close Jan 15.21 15.24 15.18-a 19 Mch 15.64 15.67 15.60-a 61 May 15.98 16.01 11.92-a 93

Chicago Grain Market. Wheat— Open High Close Dec 115 1/2 116 1/2 116 1/2 May 112 1/2 112 3/4 112 3/4 July 101 1/2 102 3/4 102 1/2 Corn— Open High Close Dec 61 1/2 61 1/2 61 1/2 May 66 1/2 66 3/4 65 3/4 Oats— Open High Close Dec 43 1/2 43 1/2 43 1/2 May 44 1/2 45 44 1/2

Fort Worth Cattle Market. Fort Worth, Dec. 17.—Cattle, 4,800; hogs, 2,200. Steers, steady, tops \$5.50; cows, steady, tops \$3.85; calves, lower, tops \$5.25; hogs, higher, tops \$8.50.

TO BUILD BIG CHURCH.

All Southern Methodists Unite For Washington Edifice. Texas News Service Special. Houston, Tex., Dec. 17.—The personnel of the national building committee to form plans for a monumental edifice of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in Washington, D. C., was announced here this morning by Geo. S. Sexton, secretary of the Church Extension Board. Jesse H. Jones and B. W. Slaughter will represent the Texas churches. Members from other states are: Arkansas, Governor Geo. W. Donaghy; Alabama, R. S. Munger; Florida, Col. J. E. Wall; Georgia, Asa Chandler; Louisiana, Dr. John P. Scott; Missouri, Murray Carlton; West Virginia, John C. Mayo; Tennessee, John P. Pepper and A. R. Davenport. The committeemen from Mississippi, North and South Carolina, Oklahoma and Virginia will be named immediately.

Real Estate Transfers.

S. P. Copeland and wife to B. T. Hewett, about 80 acres of blocks 8 and 106, Red River Valley lands; \$6440. Herman R. Hilbert and wife to S. P. Copeland, same tract as above; \$5642. A. J. McDaniel to J. J. Richardson, 1 acre of the J. T. Hardin tract; \$125. Sam G. Wisdom and wife to G. M. D. Prichard, lots 11 and 12, block 73; \$500. J. T. Montgomery and Ralph Darnell to Mary Plasek, lots 13 and 14, block 36; \$150. A. M. Jacks and wife to J. A. D. Smith, lots 7 and 8, block 36, Burkburnett; \$600.

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Death of Mrs. Corbin.

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Deceased had only resided in this city for about two weeks, coming here from Electra.

Her husband, who is a cook in one of the restaurants of the city, is confined to his room with lung trouble.

Deceased was a member of the Baptist church and the funeral services will be conducted by Rev. J. P. Boone tomorrow, at 10 o'clock, interment at Riverside cemetery.

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