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## MORSE BEGINS HIS ATLANTA SENTENCE

ARRIVES AT FEDERAL PRISON THIS MORNING AND STARTS IN ON LONG TERM.

## STATEMENT IS CAUSTIC

Issues Dramatic Rebuke to Court Officials for Refusing Him a New Trial.

By Associated Press. Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 3.—Charles Morse, the convicted banker, who was sentenced to fifteen years in the federal penitentiary here, arrived this morning and was a once hurried to his cell in the prison.

Before leaving New York yesterday, Morse issued a statement in which he protested bitterly against the injustice done him. He said:

"I am going to Atlanta to begin penal servitude under the most brutal sentence ever pronounced against a citizen in a civilized country," is his opening sentence.

"I have hoped with the hope which comes from a consciousness of my innocence that I would not have to close out forever the light and liberty of this world under such an inhuman sentence. I had felt that the fact that I had paid a fine of \$7,000,000 and served a year in prison, would satisfy the cry for a victim, and I have steadily believed that the courts would be compelled to give me a new trial.

"When I learned that the private detectives of the prosecution were the keepers of the jury, that the jury drank like men upon a jaunt on a holiday, rather than citizens engaged in a serious service, and that as a result two of them were rendered unfit, I naturally hoped that I would be allowed another trial by a jury free of these hostile influences.

"It seems that the courts intend to establish the practices which make rum drinking a part of jury service and private detectives as the custodians of a jury a permanent institution. By this sentence and judgment I may be brought to ruin, but the damage done to me is not half so important as the injury to the administration of justice. I am now up in years and must, with the passing of time, pass also, but the record of my conviction and the way it was brought about will remain a lasting and dangerous example of government gone mad in search of a victim.

"Whether I shall serve my full sentence, I am not able to say, much depends upon how the government at Washington shall look upon it. I have great faith that all right-thinking men and women who know of me and my case and who realize the inhumanity of my sentence, will make their feelings known to the president.

"Whatever the future may hold in store—liberty or imprisonment—I shall endeavor to meet it in the same way I have struggled against the misfortunes of the last two years."

By Associated Press. New York, N. Y., Jan. 3.—Mrs. Charles Morse, who follows her husband to Atlanta to visit him in his cell at the federal prison there, will take up at once and in earnest the fight for his freedom. Mrs. Morse continues to share her belief that a crying injustice has been done the former banker and refuses to believe that he will be compelled to serve the sentence of fifteen years.

## NINE CANDIDATES.

Many Aspirants for Unexpired Term of Mississippi Senator.

By Associated Press. Jackson, Miss., Jan. 3.—The Mississippi legislature convenes here tomorrow and the contest for the unexpired term of the late Senator McLaurin is the principal topic.

The roster of candidates so far announced is:

Alexander, of Jackson; Perry, of Grenville; Vardaman, of Jackson; Anderson, of Tupelo; Byrd, of Philadelphia; Dunn, of Meridian; Critz, of West Point; Batesville and Bledsoe of Grenada.

Each candidate is accompanied in the city by a host of friends, supporters and political lieutenants.

The ladies of the First M. E. Church will hold a pie, cookie and donut market Saturday, Jan. 8, at the Walker drug store. 200-11c

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## MEXICAN CATTLE SHIPPED.

That Country Sending Beef to Fort Worth Packeries.

Texas News Service Special. Laredo, Tex., Jan. 3.—Five hundred head of cattle passed through here today bound to Fort Worth packing houses. The shipments of cattle are from the states of Nuevo Leon and Chihuahua to the United States have greatly increased during the past two months. Representatives of Swift's and Armour's are encouraging the Mexicans to raise more live stock.

## YOAKUM TO TAKE HAND.

Will Come to Washington in Interest of Legislation.

Texas News Service Special. Washington, D. C., Jan. 3.—It is learned today that B. F. Yoakum, head of the Frisco railroad, will come to Washington soon in the interest of railroad legislation and will confer with the president. Taft today told a number of railroad officials that his message would be read to congress on Wednesday, despite their wishes to the contrary.

The report of the Georgia penitentiary investigators shows that Texas is not on to quite all the wrinkles in the convict-mistreating line.

## MANY WEDDINGS IN CITY DURING YEAR

NEARLY 300 COUPLES ENTERED REALMS OF MARTIAL BLISS IN 1909.

## TWENTY-ONE DIVORCES

Were Ninety More Weddings Here Last Year Than During 1908—Figures Compiled.

With two hundred and ninety-two weddings in Wichita Falls during 1909 and only twenty-one divorces, it seems that Cupid is still hanging out at his favorite rendezvous, ready for another year of match making and soul-uniting.

The 1909 showing gives a healthy increase over 1908, when there were two hundred and one weddings, a gain of ninety-seven for 1909. The 1908 weddings by months, were as follows:

January	23
February	20
March	12
April	17
May	14
June	28
July	21
August	29
September	21
October	35
November	29
December	43

Total 292  
December led the other months with forty-three, while March brought up the rear with only twelve. For the year the average is about twenty-five per month or one wedding for every working day.

The divorce mill ground slowly and exceedingly small. There were only twenty-nine granted during the year, leaving a clear profit for Cupid's side of the ledger of 263 happy couples gained during the year.

One feature of the many weddings here during the year is the number of out-of-town people who come to this city to get hitched. The railroad centering here make this city a veritable Greena Green and couples from all over this section of Texas and many points in Oklahoma come to Wichita Falls to say "I will."

## Feed! Feed! Feed!

Phone 437 for coal and feed of all kinds.

MARICLE COAL CO.

## KILLS DRUNK MAN FOR CALLING HIM A LIAR

Texas News Service Special. Nacogdoches, Tex., Jan. 3.—Will Parker was arrested here charged with killing Charles McCruter at Mayo last night.

It is alleged that McCruter was intoxicated and interrupted Parker while the latter was making a speech at a church and called him a liar. After the service Parker went home, secured a shot gun and returned and poured a colley into McCruter's body.

McCruter had served a term in the penitentiary.

## WICHITA FALLS POSTOFFICE MAKES SPLENDID SHOWING

Receipts Increased Thirty-five Per Cent During 1909—Has Progressed In Many Other Ways

The receipts at the Wichita Falls postoffice during 1909 totalled \$28,991.05, an increase of thirty-five per cent over 1908, during which year the total receipts were \$21,437.53. The receipts for December were \$2,811.82, an increase of about thirty per cent over the same month in 1908.

The past year has been a notable one in the Wichita Falls postoffice and its importance has increased in many ways. Two new clerks were added to the force and the salaries of two others were increased from \$800 to \$900 per year. The salary of the postmaster was increased and the business gained so handsomely that the postoffice department ordered ninety-five new lock boxes for this office. A transfer station has been installed here.

The showing in receipts is considered splendid. San Angelo, with at least five thousand more people, had only \$26,945 in receipts, or two thousand dollars less than Wichita Falls, and her increase over 1908 was only seventeen per cent, as compared with the thirty-five per cent that Wichita Falls shows. Sherman, with probably twice Wichita Falls' population, had receipts of about forty-one thousand, about a thousand dollars' increase over 1908, or about three per cent gain. It is believed that the showing made by this city will compare favorably with that of other Texas cities when their figures are announced.

Money orders were paid at the Wichita Falls office during 1909 for a total of \$75,452.04, as compared with \$55,521.82 for 1908, a gain of about twenty-one thousand, or close to forty per cent.

The money orders issued at this office were, for a total of \$112,016.69, as compared with \$73,372.41, a gain of between forty and fifty per cent for the year.

The money orders gain in 1907 totalled \$43,295.71 and in 1909, \$22,791.97. The money orders issued in 1907 totalled \$43,295.71 and in 1909, \$22,791.97.

The registry window receipts for the last six months of 1909 were \$2,477, as compared with \$1,872 for the same six months in 1908.

The Wichita Falls office is now paying a total of \$20,500 in salaries, not counting the \$3,600 which is paid for four rural carriers out of this city. There are nine clerks employed in the office here, four city carriers, a janitor, the postmaster and the assistant postmaster. No less than twelve railway mail clerks make Wichita Falls their terminus.

As soon as some of the gaps in the cement sidewalks system are filled in a fifth carrier will be added to the force here and provision for the new man has already been made by the department.

Ninety-five new letter boxes have been ordered for this office to supply the increasing demand, and they will arrive ready for installation within a few days.

The receipts of the office have more than doubled since 1906 and the total for last year lacks but four thousand dollars of being twice that for 1907, which will give the reader some idea of how the office's business is increasing. The receipts for the past four years were: 1906, \$11,598.10; 1907, \$16,738.01; 1908, \$21,437.53; 1909, \$28,991.05.

The figures below will show the increase of each month in 1909 over the corresponding month in 1908. The showing is one of which every citizen can be proud, and if the postoffice receipts are to be accepted as a criterion of a city's commercial progress, Wichita Falls has certainly made remarkable strides during the year just closed. The figures follow:

	1908—	1909—
Jan	\$ 1971.29	\$ 2354.42
Feb	1275.04	2417.41
March	1911.42	2256.92
April	1743.66	2454.85
May	1196.38	2189.94
June	1510.31	2126.03
July	1764.54	2449.15
Aug	1654.92	1993.73
Sept	1787.38	2108.44
Oct	2679.72	3355.35
Nov	1705.33	2472.99
Dec	2235.59	2811.82
Total	\$21,437.58	\$28,991.05

## BLACK HAND OUTRAGE IN TENEMENT HOUSE

By Associated Press. New York, N. Y., Jan. 3.—Several persons were knocked down and injured today and a wild panic created among a hundred and fifty tenants when in an attempt of blackhands to blow up a Chryste Street tenement house, a quantity of dynamite exploded under the first floor stairway. Great holes were ripped in the floor and nearby walls shattered and the whole building badly shaken up. Women and children screamed and ran madly into the street.

## NEGRO TRAGEDY.

Shooting Follows Quarrel Near Austin Saturday.

Texas News Service Special. Austin, Tex., Jan. 3.—Napoleon Taber is under arrest here following the killing of Melvin Teague at Greedmore late Saturday night. Both are negroes. They had quarreled and Taber went after a shot gun, and returning, sent a load of buck shot through Teague's head, killing him instantly.

## Accepts New Position.

B. F. Stingel, who has been employed by Harrington & Heath as a watchmaker, jeweler and engraver for the past year, has accepted a position with S. M. Kennedy, the new jeweler, on 8th street.

Mr. Stingel is well known in this community as a first-class workman, having been employed by A. S. Fonville for nearly two and a half years previous to the time he worked for Harrington and Heath.

He will be glad to see his friends at his new place of business.

## FORMER TREASURER OF COUNTRY IS INDICTED

By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., Jan. 3.—Former United States Treasurer Houston, Samuel Graham of Montreal and Harvey Lewis and Everett Liguor of this city, were today indicted by the grand jury on the charge of conspiracy for using the mails for fraudulent purposes.

By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., Jan. 3.—Judge Horace Lurton of Tennessee, took the oath of office today as associate justice of the supreme court and took his seat on the bench. A distinguished array of attorneys and members of congress were present.

By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., Jan. 3.—Out of the northwest a cold wave is coming which promises to spread during the next thirty-six hours over the entire country east of the Mississippi except Eastern Florida.

## KILLS MOTHER-IN-LAW.

Prominent Young Tennessee Figures in Tragedy.

By Associated Press. Dresden, Tenn., Jan. 3.—Prof. Clarence Carney, aged thirty-five, a prominent young man, shot and killed his mother-in-law, Mrs. Sarah Griffith, last night. Carney fired three times striking Mrs. Griffith in the hip. The woman was sixty-five years of age.

A million dollars worth of permanent improvements in Wichita Falls during 1909, but with a cotton factory, two new railroads and that boys' school during 1910, we'll more than double that record.

## HAINES TESTIFIES.

Blames Railroad, Commission for Galveston's Troubles.

Texas News Service Special. Austin, Tex., Jan. 3.—Secretary Haines of the Galveston Chamber of Commerce again took the stand in Judge Wilcox's court this morning when the Houston-Galveston differential rate case was resumed.

Haines declared that the railroad commission's failure to make orders conforming the court's decree in rates for shipments between points on the Brownsville road and Galveston caused the railroads to refuse claims for the refund of overcharges on cotton, even when threatened with prosecution.

Haines alleged that the commission refused to give a hearing to embrace and review the entire differential dispute.

## INJUNCTION HEARING.

Arguments Begun in Oklahoma Rate Case.

By Associated Press. St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 3.—Arguments began here today before United States Circuit Judge Hooks in the injunction suit brought by the railroads of Oklahoma to prevent the enforcement of that state's two-cent rate and maximum freight rate law.

## INTERSTATE LAWS WILL BE CHANGED

THE PRESIDENT DECIDES NOT TO GRANT REQUEST OF RAILROAD OFFICIALS.

## IN CONFERENCE TODAY

Six Railroad Presidents Meeting with Taft Today—Changes Sweeping in Nature.

By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., Jan. 3.—President Taft is today in conference with six of the most prominent railroad men in the country, who are here, it is stated to enter a general protest against the president's proposed amendments to the interstate commerce laws.

Among the railroad men were: President Mellen, of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad; President McCrea, of the Pennsylvania Railroad; President Lovett, of the Union Pacific and other Harriman lines; President Baer, of the Philadelphia and Reading; President Finley, of the Southern, and President Brown, of the New York Central. Attorney General Wickersham was also present at the conference.

The mission of the railroad presidents was apparently bootless, as the president later announced that he expected to have the interstate commerce message ready for congress by noon next Wednesday.

One of the recommendations which it is believed the president will make to congress will prevent any interstate company from acquiring the stock of any competing railroad in the future and will fix a line of limit, beyond which all railroads holding such stock at this time shall sell the securities. Also that no railroad company engaged in interstate business shall issue additional bonds or stocks or other obligations under these conditions, except with the approval of the interstate commission.

The Order of Railway Conductors have changed their meeting place from the old Odd Fellows' hall to the K. of P. hall. Their meeting nights are the first and third Sundays of each month at 8 o'clock p. m. The ladies auxiliary will also meet in this hall.

## SOUTHERN CATTLE ARE BARRED FROM ILLINOIS

By Associated Press. Springfield, Ill., Jan. 3.—Governor Deneen today issued a proclamation prohibiting cattle from coming into Illinois from the southern states unless accompanied by the certificate of an inspector that they are free from fever.

## Dinner and Watch Party.

Miss Mabelle Clopton entertained last evening in honor of her guest Miss Francis McCart of Fort Worth. Those present were Misses Francis McCart Jewel and Flora Kemp, Jessie Moore; Messrs. William Huff, Britton, Verne Clopton, Gibson and Heath.

## DEPENDING NOW ON THROUGH SERVICE

UPON THAT QUESTION HINGES BUILDING OF ROAD FROM WAURIKA TO BYERS.

## ROCK ISLAND OR VALLEY

As Soon as One or the Other Promises to Operate Through Train Road Will be Built.

The Waurika-Byers railroad proposition now hinges upon the securing of the promise of either the Rock Island or the Wichita Valley that through trains will be operated over the line after it is built. Unless some agreement of that kind can be made, the feasibility of the proposition is rendered much less certain.

The Wichita Falls delegation which spent Saturday in Waurika, returned yesterday much encouraged. Waurika received them with open arms, had a handsome spread waiting for them when they arrived and saw that nothing was spared for their entertainment. They examined the terminal facilities at Waurika and will report that that feature of the question is not nearly so serious as was at first thought. It was stated that the terminals would cost fifty thousand dollars, but Messrs. Henderson and Tandy believe that it will not require nearly that sum to secure them.

Waurika is not only willing, but anxious, to put up \$50,000 as her share of the jackpot which is to be hung up, and there is little doubt that Wichita Falls and Byers will put up a like amount. Byers is sure of her part, but it is doubtful if Wichita Falls' bonus can be raised unless there is a substantial assurance that through trains will be operated. As soon as further doubt on that score can be eliminated, the road will be a certainty.

## WRIGHTS WIN PRELIMINARY.

Glenn Curtiss Restrained From Selling Aeroplanes.

By Associated Press. Buffalo, N. Y., Jan. 3.—Judge Hazel of the United States Court today granted the preliminary injunction applied for by the Wright brothers against the Harring-Curtiss Company and Glenn Curtiss, restraining them from manufacturing and selling aeroplanes.

## TWO ARE SUSPECTED.

Arrests Follow Discovery of Lloyd Crime in Ohio.

By Associated Press. Cincinnati, O., Jan. 3.—With two men held on suspicion in connection with the brutal murder of Anna Lloyd on Saturday, the police are today continuing their search for the murderers. Two men are now in the hands of the police, Henry Cook, a white man, and James Fields, a negro.

The police at Wyoming, O., today arrested a man who gave the name of Lewis. The prisoner's long hair is said to correspond in length and texture to the hair found in the dead woman's clenched hands.

## Real Estate Transfers.

F. E. Curtis and wife to William Sherman, north half of lot 10, block 160; \$8,900.

J. Markowitz to W. E. Derden, 11 acres of outer block 13, Burkburnett; \$3723.

J. Markowitz to A. T. Derden, all of outer blocks 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20, Burkburnett; \$7340.

R. M. Thompson and J. K. Donnau to R. E. Huff, 25 acres patented to Day Land & Cattle Co., and 18 acres patented to W. J. Smith; \$60.

## Oklahoma Case Dismissed.

By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., Jan. 3.—The case of the Prairie Oil and Gas Company, coming from Oklahoma, was dismissed today in the United States Supreme Court. The effect of the dismissal is to favor Governor Haskell's contentions.

## KILLED ELEPHANT.

Roosevelt Expedition Arrived at Holma Today.

By Associated Press. Holma, Uganda, Jan. 3.—The American Naturalist expedition arrived here today. Colonel Roosevelt killed a bull elephant with tusks weighing one hundred and ten pounds while the party was camping at Klesingo.

### FORT WORTH RAILROAD CIRCLES INTERESTED

The railroad rumor that the Wichita Falls and Southern is planning to build south to Fort Worth, instead of the Frisco, during 1910, is causing considerable interest in Fort Worth, as is evidenced by the following, clipped from Sunday's Fort Worth Record:

"Either Fort Worth or Cisco is going to get a new railroad this year," said a prominent Fort Worth business man Saturday, after reading in the Record the announcement from Wichita Falls made by Frank Kell, vice-president and general manager of the Wichita Falls and Southern, that the road would be extended from its present terminus at New Castle, either to Fort Worth or to Cisco. He added: "I know Frank Kell, and if he said that he was going to build the road into Fort Worth or Cisco he will certainly do it. Fort Worth should take this matter up with the Wichita Falls and Southern at once."

The Wichita Falls and Southern now extends from Wichita Falls to New Castle, a distance of about sixty miles. At New Castle it taps the Young county coal field, said to be one of the largest in the southwest. In connection with the Wichita Falls and Northwestern, which extends north from Wichita Falls to Elk City, Okla., a distance of more than 100 miles, the line, if extended to Fort Worth, would give direct connection with the wheat fields of western Oklahoma and would carry to the Fort Worth packing houses the livestock from the richest section of the new state.

It is said that the Wichita Falls and Northwestern is to be extended beyond Elk City, Okla., into the wheat fields of Kansas. It is also announced that a line is to be built west from Altus, Okla., to Wellington, Texas, a distance of some sixty miles, traversing a rich agricultural section.

### MODISTES ON TRIAL.

Summoned Before Commissioner On Smuggling Charges.

New York, Jan. 3.—A casual visitor to the office of the United States Commissioner Shields today might have concluded that a meeting of the National Dressmakers' Association was in progress, so large was the attendance of fashionable modistes and importers of laces, silks and millinery. The modistes, however, were there for far more serious business than to discuss the styles for the coming spring and summer. They were there to plead to the indictments charging them with being implicated in the most extensive smuggling frauds ever unearthed by the customs authorities in New York.

The defendants number twenty-seven in all, and include well-known dressmakers and importers of New York, Philadelphia, Boston and several other cities.

The alleged smuggling operations cover a period of several years, during which time, it is said, merchandise, consisting of fine gowns, laces and silk fabrics, to the value of several million dollars, may have been brought into the United States without the payment of the duty prescribed by law.

The methods adopted to defraud the customs were both simple and ingenious. The three men charged with having originated the fraud are Robert Schwarz, Jacob H. Morris and Philip A. Phillipson. The modistes in various parts of the country are said to have had the assistance of these three men in smuggling goods from Paris, Great Britain and Belgium, past the customs officers.

Trunks filled with valuable merchandise, which had supposedly failed to reach the steamers on which passage had been taken by their owners, were shipped by later steamers and stacked on the docks at New York to be claimed. This belated baggage was customarily in charge during certain periods of the day of a single customs official, and it was the practice of the smuggling syndicate to cause its clandestine removal during these periods. The trunks were consigned to persons who had sailed on earlier steamers. The passenger lists would be scrutinized and names chosen at random.

In New York they would be met, it is charged, by Schwarz or some of his associates. Last March two such trunks were seized by the inspectors and their contents were valued at over \$50,000. These figures give some idea of the amount of goods brought to America in this way.

### Cotton School in Georgia.

Athens, Ga., Jan. 3.—The third annual session of the cotton school opened today at the state college of agriculture, and will continue for ten days. In addition to the work on cotton brooding and culture, the course this year provides for lectures and instruction in regard to soils, fertilizers and feed stuffs. Particular attention is to be given to the cultivation and selection of seed cotton and methods for the eradication of the boll weevil, anthracnose and the cotton wilt. The sessions will be addressed by many noted agricultural experts.

You know us, for highest parity, freshness for drugs, fair dealings and lowest prices, consistent with the dependability of our drugs. 177-4f THE PALACE DRUG STORE.

### SUPREME COURT RECONVENES.

Tobacco Trust Case is Taken Up This Morning.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 1.—The Supreme Court of the United States reconvened today after the holiday recess of two weeks. The first case on the docket is the suit of the government to dissolve the so-called tobacco trust, in which the United States Circuit Court for the Southern District of New York has already decided the trust to be illegal.

On account of the important industrial and legal questions and the vast financial interests it involves, the suit against the tobacco trust is regarded as second in importance only to the similar action instituted by the government against the Standard Oil Company.

The American Tobacco Company is the defendant in the suit. The action is one in equity brought under the provisions of the Sherman anti-trust laws. The control through the parent company of numerous corporations engaged in the tobacco business is characterized as a conspiracy in restraint of trade. The government asks for a permanent injunction restraining the holding control of its subsidiary company corporations and from re-organizing in such a manner that the alleged conspiracy be perpetuated.

The American Tobacco Company was organized in 1889 by the consolidation of the firms of Washington Duke and Sons, Allen and Ginter, the Kinney Tobacco Company, Goodwin and Company, and W. C. Kimball and Company. The company was capitalized at \$25,000,000. Since that time it has extended its operations all over the country, until, according to the papers in the suit begun by the federal government, it has absorbed sixty-five corporations.

In dealing with the cases of the Standard Oil Company and the tobacco trust, the Supreme Court of the United States will, it is hoped, give the last word on the subject of combinations of industries in restraint of trade and clear the way for such remedial legislation as may be needed. At the same time it is hoped that the court may point out the limitations circumscribing the law-making branch of the government upon this subject.

It is said both in administrative and legislative circles and vociferously echoed in business quarters that there is crying need of authoritative outlining of the power of congress to limit the operations of great business combinations necessitated by modern conditions. It is necessary, it is claimed, that the constitutional powers be plainly stated, so that business combinations can go as far as possible under the law and that congress be restrained from going beyond its powers in limitation thereof.

It is contended that the questions to be decided by the supreme court in the tobacco and Standard Oil cases cover most of the contingencies that are threatening existing and proposed combinations, and that everybody, including the prosecuting branch of the government, will be glad to have them elucidated and the way made clear once for all.

### 'BABES IN TOYLAND.'

Musical Comedy Pleases Two Large Audiences Here.

'Babes in Toyland,' a musical comedy of more than passing merit, was presented to good houses at the Wichita Theatre Saturday afternoon and night. The play is quaint in its action, almost infantile in its execution, but really clever in many of its features. The music comprised several very pretty songs and the comedy work was unaffected and spontaneous. Harry Ladell as Alan, Miss Malatesta as Contrary Mary and Leon Mayo as Roderigo, were the leaders of an excellent company. Good-looking girls were in evidence, but poor voices spoiled things to some extent.

The Wichita Theatre meeting extended the following greeting on its program:

"Of the good things that 1909 has brought you, may 1910 convey in double measure. If your visits to the Wichita Theatre during the year just closed have been fraught with pleasure and entertainment—if they have enabled you to forget your cares and relax your energies; if they have to any degree served to brighten your pathway—then our most sincere wish is that they may continue to do so during the year which begins today. There is much in store for you in 1910. The warehouses of comedy, of drama, of tragedy, of pathos and of melody are to be opened to all who enter here, and we shall spare no pains to make your visits affairs long to be treasured in your memories. That your enjoyment of our offerings may be whole-souled and unstinted, and that prosperity may attend you all during the New Year is the wish of the management."

Prompt and thorough work is the habit with us. Send your clothes to the City Tailor Shop, 715 7th street. —178-4f

Peaberry coffee, the good old-fashioned kind, only 20c a pound. Phone 261. King's. 200tf

### This Date in History—January 3.

- 1724—Phillip V. of Spain abdicated in favor of his son.
- 1777—Washington surprised and defeated the British at Princeton, N. J.
- 1795—Josiah Wedgwood, inventor of Wedgwood pottery, died. Born July 12, 1730.
- 1830—Methodism introduced into Germany.
- 1861—Gov. Brown of Georgia, arrived in Savannah and ordered the seizure of the defenses of that city.
- 1863—The federals occupied Murfreesborough, Tenn.
- 1864—Death of Archbishop Hughes of New York. Born in 1797.
- 1891—U. S. troops engaged in battle with Sioux Indians near Gordon, Nebraska.
- 1898—A score of lives lost by the collapse of the city hall in London, Ontario.
- 1900—Canadian troops won their first victory over the Boers in South Africa.
- 1905—R. F. Sutherland appointed the Speaker of the Dominion House of Commons.

### Calendar of Sports for the Week.

- MONDAY—Tenth International Automobile Show in Grand Central Palace, New York.
- TUESDAY—Annual meeting of the stewards of the Grand Circuit in Detroit.
- WEDNESDAY—Billiard contest between Alfred De Oro and Fred Eames for three cushion carrom championship begins in New York.—Annual meeting of Motor and Accessory Manufacturers' Association in New York.
- FRIDAY—Annual meeting of Automobile Manufacturers, Contest Association in New York.
- SATURDAY—Opening of Tenth National Automobile Show in Madison Square Garden, New York.—Dual swimming meet of Illinois A. C. and Missouri A. C. at Chicago.

### Watch Our Smoke.

Has it ever occurred to you that the resources of this county have just begun to develop and that there are opportunities here now for investors that will never come again, and that we have an up-to-date list of city property, as well as farm lands for sale? We are also going to make a specialty of Floral Heights lots for the next 60 days and as these lots will be raised 25 per cent after March 1st, you had better call in and let us show you these lots. We will use our automobiles in showing this addition and are ready at any time to take you out if you want to buy anything. Call on us if you have anything to sell. Call on us if you want to trade anything. Call on us if you want to buy. We buy and sell or trade property, and have several nice rental propositions now in town to trade for farm lands near this city. Don't be afraid to turn your money loose, as we are bound to have higher prices here, and the man who invests his money is the man that makes money.

MARLOW BROS. & STONE. 200-4tc

### Oklahoma Two-Cent Fare Case.

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 1.—A large array of legal talent assembled in the federal court of appeals in this city today for the hearing of the injunction suit to restrain the state of Oklahoma from enforcing the two-cent passenger rate and a lower schedule of freight rates. The railroads interested in the suit each of which was represented by counsel, are: the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe, the Missouri, Kansas and Texas, the Kansas City Southern and the Midland Valley.

### Stockholders Meeting.

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stockholders of the City National Bank will be held in the banking house of that institution on Tuesday, January 11th, 1910, between the hours of 10:00 a. m. and 4:00 p. m., for the purpose of electing a board of directors and the transaction of such other business as may come before them.

P. P. LANGFORD, Cashier. Wichita Falls, Texas, Dec. 20, 1909. 193-4f

Five thousand people called on President Taft on New Year's Day, and it is possible that he will recognize at least seven or eight of them when he next sees them.

For pies—gooseberries, blackberries, pumpkin, mince meat, pine apple, chocolate and cocoanut, make good ones. Phone 261. King's. 200tf

Frank Quigg, one of the would-be Oklahoma bank robbers, killed recently, used to be a Texas League umpire. He had probably been called 'robber' so often that he thought he was one.

Before the New Year was two weeks old, Wichita Falls had practically cinched a boys' school. And two new railroads are now in an advanced state of clipchability.

We have some fine celery. Phone 261. King's. 200tf

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Thursday, Jan. 6th

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## "The Talk of New York"

By far the greatest attraction that has ever appeared in this city, requiring five special cars to transport it.

Seats on Sale Tomorrow Morning at  
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## Monday Special

We will place on sale Monday, January 3rd, the cheapest line of Embroideries ever shown in Wichita Falls.

Remember the date, Monday, January 3rd, for one day only.

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### THE CASE OF GUERRE

One of the Queerest Stories of Doubles in History.

#### AUDACITY OF THE IMPOSTOR.

He Deceived Not Only the Sisters, but Even the Wife, of the Man Whose Place He Usurped—The Return of the Real Guerre and the Exposure.

Perhaps the most remarkable case of doubles in all history is that of Martin Guerre, a Frenchman, who was born near Bayonne in the first half of the sixteenth century. Martin Guerre was the son of a well to do farmer and brickmaker, and, as was the custom of the country at the time, he married at the age of eleven Bertrande de Rols, who had then reached the age of ten. For eight years they lived together.

Unfortunately Martin stole a bushel of corn from his father. Frightened by the heinousness of his crime, he deserted his wife and fled to Spain. There he entered the service of Emperor Charles V. and after several years of campaigning seems to have forgotten his wife, Bertrande, and his baby boy, Sancho. At any rate, he ceased to write home, and his family lost all trace of him. His absence stretched on to eight years.

Then one evening a stranger arrived at the inn of the village where the deserted wife was still living. He at once told his host that he was Martin Guerre and recounted the adventures and hardships that had kept him from home so long. The rumor of Martin Guerre's return soon spread, and his four sisters hastened to the hostelry to welcome him home. They found him much changed. He had gone eight years before, scarcely more than a boy. Now he was a mature man, bronzed and bearded. Nevertheless they welcomed him, embraced him and carried the news to his wife. Bertrande hastened to him at once. When she saw him first she started back with misgiving. But he addressed her tenderly, repeated word for word their parting conversation and mentioned details that only a husband could have known. He even spoke of the clothing he had left behind and where it could be found. Bertrande was convinced. She begged forgiveness for her doubts and threw herself into his arms. An uncle arrived. He, too, hesitated, but the newcomer detailed to him all the minutiae of their business transactions eight years before, and he also was convinced.

The upshot of the matter was that this newly arrived Martin Guerre returned home with his wife and lived happily and without suspicion with her for four years. During this time they had two children, and Martin's father at his death bequeathed him a farm.

However, a soldier passing through the village declared that he had seen Martin at the siege of St. Quentin, that he had lost a leg there, but that he was still alive, and the soldier left a written deposition to that effect. The rumor spread that the man living as Martin Guerre was an impostor.

Bertrande at this filed a criminal information against the man to whom for four years she had granted the rights of a husband. He was described in the accusation as Arnault du Tilh and was committed to prison. The prisoner said that the uncle had influenced his wife and that the whole charge was a conspiracy to deprive him of his fortune of 8,000 livres. He submitted to a searching interrogatory, after the French fashion, and answered all questions satisfactorily. He told of his campaigns and revealed the most intimate details of the family history. He relied for his defense, too, on the four sisters who still called him brother, on his four years' life with Bertrande with her consent, and pressed her in the presence of the judges to swear that he was not her real husband, declaring that if she so swore he was ready to forfeit his head. Bertrande refused to take this oath. She was confused by his confident manner.

In the trial 150 witnesses were examined. Of this number forty deposed that the man was the real Martin Guerre, fifty deposed that he was Arnault du Tilh, and sixty declined to pronounce any opinion, owing to the extraordinary resemblance. In spite of the conflicting evidence the judge pronounced him guilty. He at once appealed to the parliament of Toulouse.

On this appeal thirty witnesses were re-examined. Ten deposed that he was Martin Guerre, eight that he was an impostor, and the remainder confessed that they were too bewildered to have any opinion. The judges were sorely perplexed and leaned to the side of the prisoner.

By a curious coincidence just at this juncture the real Martin Guerre made his appearance on the scene. He showed the same marks on his face as those borne by the prisoner. The men were confronted with each other in court. Even the four sisters, who till now had clung to their belief in the prisoner, confessed their mistake. The prisoner lost his nerve, confessed his crime and begged forgiveness. He was condemned to death and executed. The real Martin was restored to his rights.—Conrad Oak in New York Tribune.

Originality.  
"Why did you accept George?"  
"He was so much more original than the other fellows."  
"In what way?"  
"He was the one that asked me to be his wife."—Puck.

### RACE WARMING UP.

James K. Vardaman May Be Senator From Mississippi.

Jackson, Miss., Jan. 3.—Practically all of the members of the Mississippi General Assembly have arrived in the city in anticipation of the opening of the legislative session tomorrow.

Interest in the opening days of the session will center almost wholly on the election of a United States Senator to succeed Senator A. J. McLaurin, who died on Dec 22nd, last.

Ex-Governor James K. Vardaman continues to be the most talked of candidate for the place. Prior to the death of Senator McLaurin, Governor Vardaman had already launched his campaign for the senatorial seat, which in the ordinary course of events would have been filled by the primary election in 1911.

The "race question," according to his statement issued in announcing his candidacy, was to be made the chief issue in the Vardaman campaign.

Besides the ex-governor, the only persons named as possible candidates to succeed Senator McLaurin are Adam Byrd and Congressman Eaton J. Bowers.

Aside from the choice of a senator the session of the general assembly will have a number of other important matters to occupy its attention. Among other things a change in the state's penal system is to be considered. A number of proposed amendments are on the agenda and it is possible that an amendment providing for state-wide prohibition may be proposed, though this is now regarded as unlikely in view of the recent defeat of a similar amendment in Alabama.

### SHERIFF'S SALE.

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Wichita.

By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Wichita County, on the 13th day of December 1909, by the Clerk thereof, in the case of W. J. Bonner, versus A. J. Druce, No. 3876 and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's Sales, on Tuesday the 4th day of January, A. D. 1910, at the Court House door in Wichita Falls, in the City of Wichita Falls, the following described real property, to-wit:

Lot No. 5, in block No. 168, in the city of Wichita Falls, Wichita County, Texas as the same existed December 19th, 1908, levied on as the property of A. J. Druce to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$1206.33 in favor of W. J. Bonner with interest from December 7th, 1909 at 10 per cent per annum and cost of suit.

Given under my hand, this 13th day of December, 1909.

J. W. WALKUP, Sheriff. 182-4t

By B. M. Bullard, Deputy.

May Probe Oklahoma Bank Failure.

Oklahoma City, Okla., Jan. 3.—The grand jury which convenes today will be asked to investigate the recent failure of the Columbia Bank and Trust Company of this city, the closing of which is said to have led to the failure early in December of the Farmers' National Bank of Tulsa and the Keifer State Bank of the same city. Interest in the affairs of the defunct Columbia Bank has been increased by the alleged attempts of Governor Haskell to sidetrack the investigation.

### Stockholders Meeting.

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stockholders of the First State Bank and Trust Company of Wichita Falls, Texas, will be held at the banking house of this institution in the city of Wichita Falls on Tuesday, January 11, 1910, at 2 p. m. for the election of a board of directors and the transaction of such other business as might properly come before them.

T. C. THATCHER, Cashier. 196-6

### Stockholders Meeting.

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Wichita Falls will be held at the banking house of that institution on Tuesday, January 11, 1910, between 10:00 a. m. and 4:00 p. m., for the purpose of electing a board of directors and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before them.

W. M. MCGREGOR, Cashier. 195-4t

Wichita Falls, Texas, Dec. 7th, 1909.

The kidneys ache when they are overworked and the trouble gets so serious unless promptly removed. Prickly Ash Bitters is a reliable kidney tonic and bowel regulator. Water-Walker Drug Co., Agents.

A leading administration paper speaks of "The Shame of the South" in connection with the Georgia penitentiary disclosures. Unhappily, Texas papers can afford to say very little about Georgia along that line.

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\* **W. A. FREEAR, Successor to JOB BARNETT** \*  
\* **Furniture and Undertaker** \*  
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\* **W. A. FREEAR, Licensed Embalmer. JESSE DOLMAN, Licensed Embalmer** \*

\* **Day Phone 136. Night Phone 665** \*  
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### Public Sale.

Take Notice that Whereas, one car of perishable property to-wit: 309 sacks of Irish potatoes shipped by Produce Co. from Denver, Colo., to C. V. Robertson arrived here on the 22nd day of December 1909 and is now in danger of depreciation. Therefore, the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Ry. Co. of Texas acting through its agent, F. E. McKay will in compliance with Article 331, of the Revised Statutes of Texas sell at public sale on Tuesday the 4th day of January 1910 at 11 a. m. at the M. K. & T. Ry. of Texas depot in Wichita Falls, Texas for cash to the highest bidder said perishable property.

M. K. & T. Ry. Co. of Texas,  
By F. E. McKay, Agent.

### POSTED.

My farm lying on Gilbert creek, two miles south of Burkburnett, is posted according to law, and hunters are warned to keep off. I potively will not give permits to anyone to hunt on my premises. E. REXFORD. 144-4t

A three pound can of high-grade coffee for \$1.00. Phone 261.—KING'S. —200-4t

### Books, Stationery and School Supplies

We also handle periodicals and newspapers of all kinds. Books to sell or rent.

### J. H. MARTIN

704 Ohio Ave. Phone 10.

Your attention is also invited to the fact that we have a complete line of books, stationery and news of all kinds. Having recently enlarged our stock in every respect, we feel sure we can take care of your wants. If not in stock we will gladly order.

Books to rent at very reasonable cost.

## BATHS!

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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

For County Judge,  
C. B. FELDER.

For County Tax Assessor.  
JOHN ROBERTSON.

J. M. HURSH.

### WEATHER FORECAST.

For Wichita Falls and vicinity—  
Tonight and Tuesday, unsettled weather.

Our good neighbor, Bonham, gained quite a reputation last summer as a Sunday school town. The Signal was pleased to frequently publish the reports, which showed an attendance in the neighborhood of 3,000. It is with deep regret we note from later reports that the attendance has dwindled down to 587. A decrease of 2,500 in Sunday school attendance in one town is a showing which we fear will injure our county and turn emigration to other sections. We cannot account for the heavy decrease on any other theory than that there was snow on the ground last Sunday and a majority of the teachers and pupils went rabbit hunting. There was an increase in the price of rabbits last week and this tends to strengthen our theory—Honey Grove Signal.

This is an error that the Signal man fell into by reason of his habit of never finding out what is going on in his own town. The day that he speaks of was the time Bonham sent 1891 missionary workers to Honey Grove to see if they could arouse enough of the inhabitants to hold regular Sunday school service hereafter. They failed.

Bonham News.—  
At one time Bonham was probably the greatest rabbit market in the world, and received so much advertising on that account that she soon had as great a reputation abroad as the 'rabbit town' as Bowie enjoys as the 'chicken and great mart of the world. The Signal man knows where to hit to humiliate Bonhamites, and never neglects an opportunity of doing so.

W. J. Bullock of this county is mentioned as a probable candidate for State Senator. Mr. Bullock has already served in the legislature with credit to himself and his constituents, and has a splendid record in every official position he has ever held. With him in the legislature all that a wide acquaintance with public men, and energy and hard work could accomplish would come to the district, besides he is an uncompromising and inveterate foe of the liquor traffic. He would undoubtedly make a good Senator.—Electra News.

A million dollars worth of improvements in Wichita Falls during 1909 or an average of one thousand dollars for every man, woman and child within her borders. Let the city that can beat that speak up.

Wichita Falls has bitten off a big chunk for 1910, but not any more than she can chew. Her molars are in the best of condition and she has no fears of being unable to masticate the bite.

We've got a half-Nelson on that new boys' school, and with another tug and two more grunts will have it flat on its back, unable to resist us any further.

While South Texas has been shivering all during Christmas week Wichita Falls has been going around without her overcoat.

Dr. Cook is said to be on his way to Texas to die. He seems to want one more taste of heaven before he goes to join Ananias.

The great trouble with the New Year's water-wagon is that its tires are not of the puncture-proof variety.

Nineteen-nine had his faults, but all things considered he was a pretty good old chap in Wichita Falls.

For a twenty-five cents coffee our yellow package leads. Try it and see. Phone 261. King's 200ft

McFall and Stinson will haul anything, and haul it right. Telephone 444. 187-121c

### Jack Rabbit Causes Trouble.

A jack-rabbit—a measly lop-eared jack-rabbit—got himself into a place where he was able to seriously impair the natural gas pressure in this city and make all kinds of trouble for the gas company officials. When the company was putting in some new four inch pipes in the southern part of the city, the rabbit, possibly in an effort to get away from some pernicious hound, took up his station in one of the pipes and failed to get out in time to prevent his being made a prisoner. He was a pretty good-sized rabbit and just about filled up the four-inch space in the pipe. When the gas was turned on, he died, just as any other well-bred rabbit would have done under the same circumstances, but his remains stayed in the pipe and it was not until complaints of poor pressure convinced the gas company officials that there was something wrong. And there was. They got the rabbit out yesterday. He had been inside about two weeks, and announced as much to all who were on the windward side of him.

His body had practically choked the pipe up, and resulted in very poor pressure to all the takers on that particular pipe. He was very dead when taken out yesterday.

### Cold Wave Strikes Us.

The warm weather with which Wichita Falls has been blessed during the past week, came to a sudden termination last night and at 6 o'clock this morning the mercury had dropped to ten degrees above zero and it has only grown slightly warmer during the day.

The weather made a desperate effort at snow in the early morning, but only a few tiny flakes fell. A damp, cold mist fell intermittently during the morning and the weather today is decidedly colder than for several days past, the drop in the temperature being 60 degrees in less than 24 hours.

Cold weather is the prediction for tonight and tomorrow.

Texas News Service Special.  
Fort Worth, Tex., Jan. 3.—A drop of fifty degrees in six hours was recorded by the United States Weather Bureau today. The city experienced summer weather yesterday, the thermometer showing eighty degrees. Today the mercury stands at thirty and a cold norther is blowing, with promises of snow. This big drop is general in North Texas.

Texas News Service Special.  
Childress, Tex., Jan. 3.—Childress county is in the grasp of a severe norther today, the temperature dropping at least fifty degrees since last night. A slight drizzle formed a coating of ice a quarter of an inch thick over all objects and it is feared wire service will be crippled.

### SUIT AGAINST SOUTHERN.

Wichita Route Sued for \$22,000 By Chicago Man.

Willis D. Dickenson of Geneva, Illinois, has brought suit in the circuit court at Chicago against the owners of the Wichita Falls and Southern Railway, demanding an accounting of the deal involving the sale of bonds he purchased from the road. He says that he entered into a contract with them whereby he was to purchase at par value \$700,000 of the company's bonds and that he gave a note for \$331,000, but was not credited with \$20,000 on this note. He asks for a recovery of the stock pending an accounting.

### City Schools Re-Open.

The schools reopened today for the winter terms, after ten days vacation and the pupils again took up the daily routine of studies. The Academy of St. Mary Immaculate resumed its sessions today and most of the out-of-town pupils arrived on yesterday's trains to begin work again. The Alumni Association of the Academy will meet next Friday and many of the former students will be here to attend the festivities which have been planned.

Most of the Wichita boys and girls who have been attending school elsewhere returned to their studies today, though some remained for the final festivity of the week, the dance which will be given tonight.

### KILLS WIFE AND SELF.

Pardoned Negro Convict Resents Wife Getting a Divorce.

Texas News Service Special.  
Waxahatche, Tex., Jan. 3.—Edmund James, a negro, late yesterday afternoon near the Navarro county line shot and killed his former wife, then sent a bullet through his own head, causing instant death.

James was recently pardoned from the penitentiary, and upon his return home found his wife had secured a divorce from him. He shot her four times.

### Tragedy Near Austin.

Texas News Service Special.  
Austin, Tex., Jan. 3.—Juan Sauced, a Mexican was shot in the face and fatally wounded six miles north of here this morning. Clarence Stelfox, a white man, was arrested charged with doing the shooting. The Mexican was also arrested, although he was taken to the hospital.

## POLITICAL BACKING IS WORTHLESS TO GAYNOR

By Associated Press.

New York, Jan. 3.—The appointments announced today by Mayor Gaynor seem to indicate that the horde of place seekers may expect little if their claims for office depend on their political backing.

Of nine appointments made yesterday, but one went to Tammany Hall, Rhinelander Waldo being selected as fire commissioner.

### Death of Mrs. Harriet Stimpson.

Mrs. Harriet Stimpson, aged seventy-three years, died at the home of her son in this city last Saturday night of pneumonia, the funeral taking place yesterday afternoon from the family residence, conducted by Rev. J. P. Boone, pastor of the First Baptist church, interment being at Riverside cemetery.

Deceased came to this city about two months ago from Bridgeport, Conn., with the intention of spending the winter with her son, Mr. Chas. H. Stimpson and stood the long trip well, but later was taken with pneumonia. She was a member of the First Methodist church.

### A Big Corn Crop.

A. C. Friberg, whose farm is nine miles north of the city, was in town Saturday and reports that from 160 planted to corn, the yield was 6000 bushels, or nearly 40 bushels per acre.

Mr. Friberg has sold but little of his crop, but as the present price is only seventy-five cents per bushel, he will hold for a little better price.

This land cost Mr. Friberg \$35.00 per acre two years ago. He has been offered \$50.00 for his land, but refused the price.

### FIRES AT BURGLAR.

Latter Gets Away, But Leaves Trail of Blood.

Fort Worth, Tex., Jan. 3.—Charles Dunkin, a dry goods clerk, fired at and slightly wounded a robber who entered his home early this morning. The burglar had secured a gold watch, a diamond ring and twenty dollars and was crawling through a window when Dunkin fired. He escaped, although he left blood on the window sill.

The first marriage license of the New Year was issued Saturday to Beulah Ray Council and Mrs. Luis McGee, both of this city.

### A MERCHANT OF FEZ.

Description of His Rise and His Ignominious Fall.

The merchants of Fez are to be found all over Morocco. In due course All Mahmoud launches out into business on a large scale. He prospers exceedingly and presently purchases a black female slave to assist his wife in her duties. All Mahmoud takes a house in the Medina quarter of Fez, overlooking the pleasant olive groves. In course of time he buys two more slaves and is fairly set up as a householder.

When his first daughter is born there is great rejoicing. The baby is immediately stained all over its little body with henna and then smeared liberally with butter and wrapped in woolen cloths. On the seventh day these are removed, and the child is washed for the first time. When the girl has reached her first year her head is shaved, leaving a little tuft by which Mohammed could catch her up to heaven if he were so disposed. In her seventh year her hair has grown long again. She is then veiled, and her proud father sets about looking for a husband for her. It is still the custom to betroth children from infancy.

All Mahmoud prospers, and, save for a few domestic troubles, his life runs smoothly. In the evenings All will sit and smoke in the bosom of his family. On Thursdays and Saturdays he visits his friends. They pass the time in simple games of cards or in listening to the weird efforts of itinerant musicians. Our merchant gets stout as he approaches middle age. One day his world tumbles about him. Such is the uncertainty of fate in Morocco.

He was serving in his shop when the customer suddenly raised his voice and cried out that he was getting false weight. The accusation was terrible, and All vehemently protested his innocence. It was an arranged charge by an enemy of the merchant, who philosophically bowed his head with the saying: "Kismet! Mine enemy has found me, and the serpent requires milk." The arbitrators are called, and, having been bribed previously, they find Mahmoud guilty and sentence him to the usual punishment meted out to givers of false weights. He is dragged to the southern wall of the city, to a place where a tall gibbet is erected. By the irony of fate it is within sight of his own house. A rope is made fast to his right wrist and hoisted up until his toes can just touch the ground. Here he is left till sunset. The idlers jeer at him, and the gamins of the quarter pelt him with stones and refuse. At sundown his friends carry him home, a poor, bruised and senseless body. Broken and disgraced, thus ended his career as a respectable merchant.—Morocco Cor. London Graphic.

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We have the celebrated Crossett Shoe for men, the best for \$4 but we shall let them go this week for \$3.65 a pair.

### Hanan's at \$4.46 A Pair

Shoes that sell every place at \$6, \$6.50 and \$7 a pair. These are broken lots and we shall let them go this week at \$4.46 a pair.

### Selby Shoes for Ladies

Made of fine patent kid and patent calf skin and also in the plain leathers. Made over new snappy lasts shall go this week at \$2.69, \$2.99 and \$3.27.

## For People Who Care For A Nice, Neat Fitting Shoe

We have secured the services of Mr. C. R. Pennington, a thorough shoe man, for years with Joske Bros. of San Antonio, who has taken charge of our Shoe Department. It is our desire to fit your feet properly, and if you will come in and ALLOW HIM to fit your feet, we shall guarantee to give you a proper fitting shoe for your particular and individual shaped feet.

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# \$1.98 HAT SALE



We have one hundred and fifty Odd and End Hats worth \$3.00, \$3.50, \$4.00 and \$5.00. Your choice while they last for only \$1 98

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FOR SALE OR TRADE—Second-hand large range; two heating stoves, second-hand buggy. Will trade on a good horse. Address "B," Box 144. —199-1fc

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"Mercy me!" said Mrs. Terry. "Your father's left his umbrella! Here, Willie, run quick and catch him before his car comes!" She thrust an elegant gold-handled umbrella into Willie's hands, and he raced out after his father, arriving at the car track barely in time to see his ponderous figure swing itself up the steps. And the car moved on.

As Willie stood there a man approached.

"What's the matter, son?" he inquired. Willie elucidated.

"Well," said the man, "that's easy. I'm going downtown on the next car, and I'll take it to him."

When Willie returned without the umbrella his mother rejoiced.

"You caught him, did you?" she smiled. Willie shook his head.

"But I did the next best thing, mother," he said. "I gave it to a man who was going downtown to give it to him." Mrs. Terry stared at him.

"Who was the man?" she asked. Willie looked foolish.

"I don't know," he said at last. "But he looked honest."

"That umbrella cost \$12," said Mrs. Terry sternly. "Come here to me." And shortly thereafter people passing wondered who was being slain.

That evening Mr. Terry returned bearing the umbrella. Mrs. Terry gazed at it, fascinated.

"Where did you get it?" she asked.

"Why," said Mr. Terry, "our neighbor Mr. Wilkins brought it to me—said you sent it."

"And to think," said Mrs. Terry, "I whipped Willie for giving it to a strange man."

"Well," said Mr. Terry judiciously, "I don't think it will hurt him. True, he gave it to the right man, but he didn't know that."

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**FLYING ANIMALS.**

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Even when we examine the records of "extinct monsters," among which are some huge creatures as big in body as the biggest elephants of today and longer by reason of their great lizard-like tails, we find no instances of very big flying creatures. The extinct group of the flying reptiles—called pterodactyls because the wing was supported by an enormously elongated finger—are mostly small creatures, not bigger than eagles and usually of less size. The largest known had an expanse of wing giving eighteen feet from the tip of one wing to the tip of the other, but its body was a little thing, not bigger than that of a swan. This is the largest pair of wings known, and we must remember that in these larger pterodactyls and birds the bones are thin-walled, hollow cylinders filled with air, so that these creatures are not only small, but have a small specific gravity.—Sir Ray Lankester in London Telegraph.

**The Kat Plant.**

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Condition of Bank at Close of Business November 16, 1909

RESOURCES	
Bills Receivable	\$371,767.30
U. S. Bonds and Stocks	79,376.10
Banking House	16,600.00
Cash and Exchange	124,391.47
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$592,133.87</b>
LIABILITIES	
Capital	\$ 75,000.00
Surplus and Profits	74,163.26
National Bank Notes	75,000.00
Deposits	367,969.61
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$592,133.87</b>

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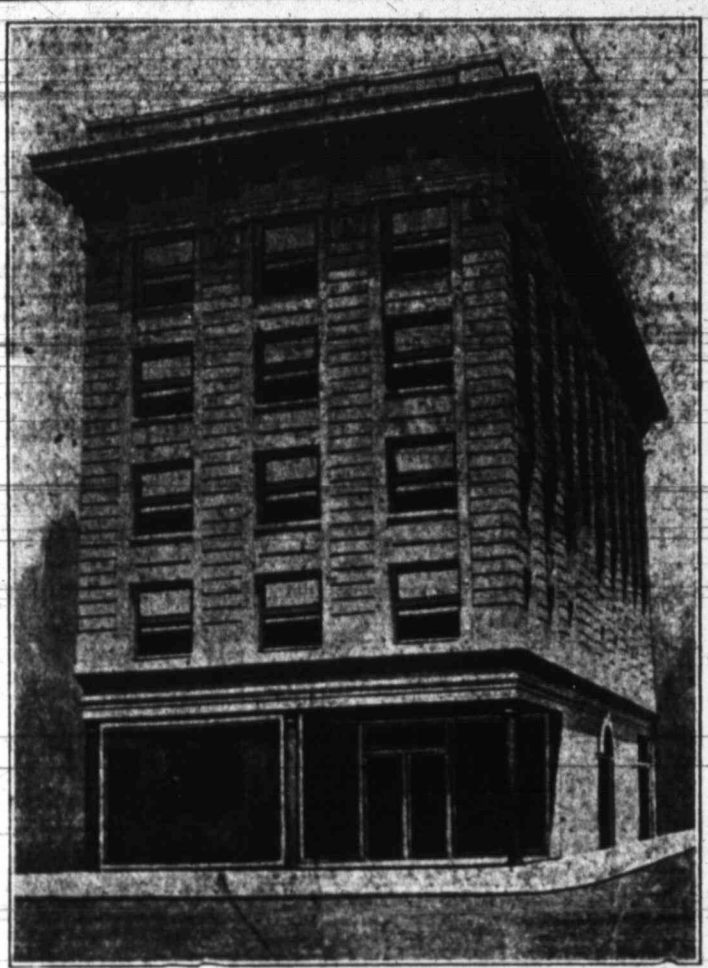
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[SEAL]

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### RAILWAY TIME TABLE



Fort Worth and Denver City.

Northbound—	Arrives	Leaves
No. 1	1:45 p. m.	1:50 p. m.
No. 3	12:15 p. m.	12:35 p. m.
No. 5	11:45 p. m.	
No. 7	2:15 a. m.	2:25 a. m.
Southbound	Arrives	Leaves
No. 2	1:50 p. m.	
No. 4	11:15 a. m.	11:35 a. m.
No. 6		3:25 a. m.
No. 8	2:25 a. m.	2:35 a. m.

Wichita Falls and Northwestern  
North Bound—Through Train.

Leave Wichita Falls	2:00 p. m.
Arrive Frederick	4:25 p. m.
Leave Frederick	4:40 p. m.
Arrive Altus	6:00 p. m.
Leave Altus	6:05 p. m.
Arrive Mangum	7:50 p. m.
South Bound	
Leave Mangum	6:15 a. m.
Arrive Altus	8:00 a. m.
Leave Altus	8:05 a. m.
Arrive Frederick	9:25 a. m.
Leave Frederick	9:35 a. m.
Arrive Wichita Falls	12:02 p. m.

Wichita Falls and Southern.

Leave Wichita Falls	2:30 p. m.
Arrive Newcastle	6:30 p. m.
Leave Newcastle	6:30 a. m.
Arrive Wichita Falls	10:15 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.

Missouri, Kansas and Texas.

From Dallas	10:35 p. m.
To Dallas	6:30 a. m.
From Denison	12:30 p. m.
To Denison	1:30 p. m.

Notice to Stockholders.  
Notice is hereby given to the stockholders of the Wichita State Bank, that the regular meeting of the stockholders will be held at its banking house, on Tuesday, January 11, 1910, for the election of a board of directors to serve the ensuing year, and for any other business that may properly come before the meeting.  
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**THE CAT AND THE BABY.**

**A Medical Opinion as to the Tradition of a Feline Danger.**  
 Several physicians have investigated the ancient story that cats suck the breath of babies, and Dr. J. Rice Gibbs declares that the theory is ridiculous. Cats occasionally kill children, he declares, but they do it in a different fashion.  
 "It has been stated that a cat's nostrils are so formed as to make a perfect-juncture with the nose of a baby," said Dr. Gibbs, "and that a little pressure would push them upward and make them a perfect fit. Then the cat's chin would rest over and below the baby's mouth, preventing it from opening to relieve the strangulation while the cat sucked its breath. That is all rot. The manner in which little children are killed by cats is this: A cat looking for a warm place to curl up and sleep lies down upon the chest of a little child, and, being quite heavy—many cats are as heavy as little babies—simply crushes the breath out of the child's lungs, and strangulation takes place, but not through sucking of the child's breath.  
 "The idea that only black cats kill little babies is equally ridiculous. It is simply because black cats are considered unlucky. In former times the black cat was considered the very genius of witchcraft. In those days when a baby died the blame was often fixed upon some hag who, the judges said, had sent a black cat to suck the baby's breath. And often hag and cat suffered death at the stake.  
 "Evil omen is still the cry in many parts of the world whenever a black cat approaches a cradle. Many persons are so superstitious that the appearance of a black cat in a sick room is considered equivalent to an announcement of approaching death. What could be more absurd?  
 "Mothers need not be afraid of cats, black, white or green, sucking their babies' breath and murdering them. It is time that this popular fallacy should be exploded."—New York World.

**THE BASEBALL UMPIRE.**

**Very Different From the Fight Referee or the Race Judge.**  
 Good umpires are rare. In the whole country there are not more than ten first rate ones. The combination of the keen eye, nimble brain and cold nerve is not a common one.  
 The umpire is the chain lightning of baseball. His decisions are rendered in the fifth part of a second. He renders them knowing that he must stand by them afterward, no matter what happens. Every man inside the fence, whether blinded by prejudice or loyalty to the home team, sees the same things and therefore feels that he has a right to his own opinion, but the umpire is the one man who is paid to know what he sees.  
 The prizefight referee sometimes has to decide which boxer won a hard battle. He has had time in which to review the situation. The whole moving picture of the fight stretches backward in his memory. Should the choice prove a difficult one there is always the comfortable middle ground—the draw decision, in which neither man wins or loses. The baseball umpire can render no draw decisions. The man is safe or he is out.  
 When two race horses come nodding down to the wire and two noses flash by the post so close together that a finger breadth means thousands of dollars to the backers, the race track judge may fall back on the dead heat. The baseball umpire has no dead heats. Watching foot and ball, he must know which one was first. He can confer with no one. Right or wrong, the judgment must be made in the twinkling of an eye.—C. E. Van Loan in Munsey's Magazine.

**The Piano Virtuoso's Hands.**  
 Contrary to popular belief, the piano virtuoso as a rule has extremely unattractive hands. "The artistic hand" is a phrase peculiar to the hysterical young woman who haunts musical recitals, but in reality the hand of the pianist is not at all artistic or beautiful when judged by the usual standards of the artist, the painter or the sculptor.  
 Constant, vigorous practicing overdevelops the hand and makes it actually ill shaped. The fingers do not taper, but are blunt and round, ending often in what appears to be a cushion of hard flesh.—New York World.

**Aggravating.**  
 When the late General Edward M. McCook lived in Pike's Peak he once presided at a dinner in honor of a famous Indian fighter.  
 Mr. McCook, as he then was, concluded his introduction of the Indian fighter with the words:  
 "I can find but one fault with the colonel's methods. I allude to his well known custom of enlisting in his regiment only baldheaded men. To aggravate the Indians' feelings so cruelly as that is carrying war too far."

**Cheerful.**  
 A certain philosopher used to thank God when he had the gout that it was not the toothache, and when he had the toothache he gave thanks because he had not both complaints at once.

**Error of the Types.**  
 The editor wrote that the speaker's address was "notable," but the printer spaced it wrong and it read "not able."—Kansas City Star.

**Cool.**  
 Diner (disgustedly)—See here! Everything on this table is stone cold. Waiter—Try the pepper and tobacco, sir.—Boston Transcript.

**OUR SENSE OF SPACE.**

**Experiments With Infants to Show That It Is Innate.**  
 There are many optical illusions which show that our perception of distance, height and space are acquired rather than instinctive, and in the domain of psychological physiology one of the standing controversies touches this point. The German school of Leipzig is inclined to affirm that all our perceptions of distance, area and solidity—and our ability to distinguish between right and left, up and down, before and behind, are acquired as a result of long practice and experience.  
 A person blind from birth who has learned to distinguish triangles, squares, circles and objects of other forms by touch is not able immediately after the acquisition of sight to distinguish these familiar objects by sight alone. He or she is still compelled to rely on feeling. In the beginning all objects appear to such a person (and perhaps they do so in the case of babies) as shapeless, tremulous spots of color situated close to the eye.  
 In the course of the debate that raged in Germany some experiments were made with babies. It appeared that in babies what must be described for want of a better term as a sense of space seems to exist. The infant was held in the arms of the experimenters for about a minute, at the end of which interval the child was permitted to drop upon its bed. In every instance the child exhibited a dread or panic when it felt the arms of the persons holding it relax. The babe, even at the age of one month, seemed to understand that its support was departing. It held, or rather, clutched, at anything it could reach, whether the arm, neck or collar of the person holding it.  
 From these experiments it has been inferred that there must exist a sense of space almost from infancy. What is the dread of falling but a manifestation of an innate sense of space?—London Post.

**SLOW DEATH.**

**Disease Usually Takes a Long Time to Kill, Says a Scientist.**  
 Few indeed are the men and women of full age, say twenty-five, who have not yet contracted the malady that will kill them, according to that distinguished scientist and physician Dr. Felix Regnault. Normally, as contemporary investigators are beginning to find out, it takes twenty years for a fatal malady to kill a patient. It may take thirty years. The popular impression is that a man may die suddenly or that he may require only a year to die in, or six months. To be sure, a man may be killed or a child may die in a few months at the age of one year. But, ordinarily speaking, all deaths are very slow, indeed, and about 95 per cent of civilized adults are now stricken with fatal diseases. They do not know it. They may not suffer from them. In due time they will have their cases diagnosed as cancer or tuberculosis or diabetes, or what not. But so invertebrate are current misconceptions of the nature of death that the origin of the fatal malady—in time—will be miscalculated by from ten to thirty years.  
 In the case of human beings death, barring accident, is nearly always caused by some specific malady. This malady is as likely as not to be cured—what is called cured. The cure, however, no matter how skillful the treatment or how slight the disease, has left a weakness behind it in some particular organ of the body. One of the organs is, if not prematurely worn out, at least so worn that its resisting powers are greatly diminished. All of us in this way when we have reached a certain age possess an organ that is much older than the rest of the physique. One day we shall die because of this organ. Even if we live to be very old, indeed, we shall not die of old age, but of weakness of the lungs or of the kidneys or of the liver or of the brain.—Current Literature.

**A Ten Years' Penance.**  
 It is happily seldom that the revenge of a disappointed husband takes quite such an extreme form as in the case of the man whose wife ran thus: "When I remember that the only happy times I ever enjoyed were when my wife sulked with me, and when I remember that my married life might, for this reason, be considered to have been a fairly happy one because she was nearly always sulking, I am constrained to forget the repulsion the contemplation of her face inspired me with and leave her the sum of 100,000 on condition that she undertakes to pass two hours a day at my graveside for the ten years following my demise. In company with her sister, whom I have reason to know she loathes worse than she does myself."—London Tit-Bits.

**Didn't Like the Walk.**  
 A north country pitman went with his wife one Saturday night to do a little shopping. They visited a large drapery establishment, and the obsequious shopwalker, having ascertained their requirements, said to the couple politely, "Will you please walk this way?" But unfortunately he walked very lame.  
 "No, mistor," said the pitman, "An nivor hev waaked that way, an' An'm not gannin' to try!"—London Scraps.

**Not Deceived.**  
 "Never in my life have I deceived my wife."  
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**'Tis the mind that makes the body rich.**—Shakespeare.

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