

Strike of 700,000 Railroad Men is Now Being Planned

WEATHER FORECAST—Sunday fair; rising temperature.

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PLAN STRIKE OF 700,000 MEN

INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENTS OF UNIONS INVOLVED IN HARRIMAN LINE STRIKE BEHIND THE MOVE.

ALL THE WESTERN LINES

Railroad Officials Discredit Move As Dying Gasp of Harriman Line Strikers.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 16.—The most far-reaching strike plans ever considered involving every class of union labor on every railroad west of the Mississippi almost 700,000 men, is the desperate expedient to force a victory over the Harriman railroads which is projected here tonight by a committee of labor leaders. The plan calls for a general strike of all shopmen, telegraphers, roadmen, clerks, road handlers and switchmen on all western railroads to such an extension of the walkout to such eastern railroads which handle freight which may be moved by strikers on the western carriers. Whether such a paralyzing blow to the railroads can be dealt rests of course with the telegraphers, roadmen, clerks, freight handlers and switchmen themselves. The plan was reached, it was stated, three days after a secret conference of the international presidents of the big union of craftsmen now concerned in the Harriman roads strike. They left Chicago tonight for St. Louis, where they expect to hold secret meetings with the labor leaders of the unions whom they hope to induce to join to muster the strike. Railroad officials tonight discredited the move of the unions as the "dying gasp" of the strike on the Harriman lines, a final bluff on the part of the five crafts involved in the present strike to "scare" the carriers into yielding.

More Arrests.
By Associated Press.
San Antonio, Texas, Dec. 16.—Ramon Aguirre, an editor of the El Imparcial, a paper owned by F. A. Chapa, was arrested this morning by a United States marshal on a charge of violating the neutral laws. He is held for appearance before the federal court at Brownsville. The trial of Chapa was set for Monday, but was postponed at the request of the government.

COLONISTS ENROUTE TO SOUTH TEXAS

A special train of four cars filled with Oklahoma farmers and their families, from points on the Northwestern railroad between Elk City and Wichita Falls passed through here yesterday afternoon, en route to Hollybrook Colony in Wharton county, where those on board will make their homes in the future. The special was transferred here from the Wichita Falls Route to the Fort Worth and Denver City Railway Company, and in Fort Worth will be transferred again to the G. C. & S. F. R. R. Co., which will embark the colonists at their destination. The special yesterday afternoon was accompanied by Nat L. Inge, chief clerk in the passenger department of the Wichita Falls Route, who had charge of the train from Elk City to this place. He states that all of the farmers on the train were well pleased with the prospect of settling in a new country, and that most of them had brought along their household goods, and personal property.

Big Pasture Men Will Farm With Sub Soil-Dynamite

(Grandfield Enterprise)
We have read many articles from time to time upon the wonderful results accomplished by the new method of farming with dynamite and now the idea has reached the Big Pasture and its merits will be demonstrated next season in the Grandfield country. Three progressive farmers, who are wide-awake and always abreast of the times, have ordered from the Dupont Powder Co., a special brand of sub-soiling dynamite as follows: H. H. Paika, 200 pounds; Frank Speckman, 50 pounds and Jake Ring, 50 pounds. They consider this a sufficient amount to make a test, and feel confident this method of soil treatment will do all that is claimed for it.

NO INDICTMENTS IN POTTSBORO SHOOTING

By United Press.
Sherman, Texas, Dec. 16.—On the night of October 25, 1911, Charles Allen was shot and wounded and his wife, Maudie Lee Allen, was arrested charged with the crime. Allen died October 28th. She did not deny the shooting, but stated Allen had threatened her life, and was trying to carry out the threat. Allen made a dying statement to County Attorney Cal. T. Freeman, duly signed and acknowledged, declaring his wife shot him first while he slept, and the other shots while he was trying to take the pistol away from her. He was shot five times. The grand jury met in Sherman this week and investigated the matter. It developed that Allen had served five years in the pen from Hill county for shooting at his wife and was intensely jealous of her. He had been out about three years. He was a railroad man. After examining about half the citizens of Pottsboro, the grand jury voted no bill, and each member of the grand jury "chipped in" a dollar and gave it to Mrs. Allen who is a fine looking woman of thirty.

TAFT WILL SUBMIT MORE MESSAGES

Special Message On Wool Tariff Will Be Sent to Congress Next Tuesday.

By United Press.
Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.—President Taft expects to send two messages to Congress next week. The wool tariff message will probably be presented Tuesday. Later in the week will come the one dealing with the Government Department. A special message with the report of the economy and efficiency commission will be submitted early in January. Other messages planned by the President after the holidays recess are on Alaska and the cotton schedule.

BIERBAUM WELL IN 28 FEET OF SAND ON DOUGLAS TRACT

A report from Electra tonight says that the Bierbaum well on the Douglas tract northeast of Electra is now in 28 feet of sand at a depth of 1780 feet with a fine showing of oil. This well is about a mile and a half northeast of Electra and the news was received with rejoicing by the oil men here tonight. It is expected that the well will be baled in early next week.

With this news also came a report that the Ninety Nine Pumping Company's well northwest of Petrolia which came in a few days ago with a great flow of gas will be drilled deeper at once. The week has brought good news from both ends of the great northwest Texas oil field and there is good cause for the rejoicing among the oil men who are remaining in the city over the holidays and the wires have been burdened with carrying the good news to those who have returned to the East to spend the Christmas tide. It is announced that Reed, Lowe and Lawson have started drilling in the Jennings Triangle on Section II close to the Denver tracks near Electra. Flannagan and Russell are getting ready to start drilling at once on a location on the north half of section 10 of the Fisher Land. The rig is already on the ground and drilling will be started in a few days. J. P. Flannagan arrived today from Sulpula. Mr. Russell is also here.

Big Pasture Men Will Farm With Sub Soil-Dynamite

The idea is to take a two-inch augur and bore holes to a depth of about three feet for every ten feet square of ground insert a half stick of the dynamite and explode the charge. This breaks up the sub-soil of hardpan, releases plant food and permits the moisture to go down, thereby storing a surplus for dry periods. The crops are also enabled to send down roots to a much greater depth and will not be so easily affected by the drought. By this method many farmers in other States claim to have doubled the productiveness of their land. The experiments of the above gentlemen will be watched with interest.

NEW YORK SUN HAS NEW OWNER

LAFFAN'S WIDOW SELLS CONTROL OF GREAT PAPER TO WILLIAM C. REICK.

\$2,500,000 WAS SUM PAID

The Sun is Most Distinctive Paper in America—A "Sun Story" Always Recognized.

By United Press.
New York, Dec. 16.—The New York Sun, one of the best newspapers in America, tomorrow morning will formally announce its controlling interest has been purchased by Wm. C. Reick from Mrs. W. M. Laffan, who inherited the property from her husband. The purchase price is kept secret, but it is said to be in the neighborhood of \$2,500,000. Wm. C. Reick in about fifteen years service on the New York Herald was advanced to the presidency of the company from which he resigned in 1907 to take a minority interest in the New York Times, the control of which is held by Adolph S. Ochs. Later with the Ochs Brothers he acquired the Public Ledger of Philadelphia. With the announcement of the sale of the Sun, it is believed the newspaper will be moved further up town from the little brick building on Park Row that once was Tammany Hall and which the Sun has occupied for many years. Ever since the Sun was established as a penny paper, back in 1832, it has stood for a certain distinctive kind of journalism, but that was particularly true after it passed into the hands of Chas. A. Dana in 1868. It was the great Dana who moulded the Sun, who gave it that unique, original flavor which has survived his death, who made it distinctive in style and manner. He made it a newspaper of the people, who made it give it new methods of handling copy, made it, in fact, a newspaper that Joseph Pulitzer declared appealed to the "newspaper profession." The "Sun story" has become famous all over the country. No person has ever been able to define what constitutes a "Sun" story, but it is one that can be recognized from afar. It has been said that the Sun office is more of a club than a newspaper office. Every inch of space in the office is occupied and partly because of this, and partly because of the democracy that has always animated the Sun methods the entire staff sits in a single room, reporters and managing editor separated only by a few feet, with no rail intervening. That was the way they did things on the old Sun and the Sun has always held that it was good enough for a modern newspaper.

Charles A. Dana, who controlled the Sun from 1868 until his death ranked with the great American editors, but his methods are entirely distinct from all the others. Greeley would never have college men around, Dana's staff was made up of college men. Even today 75 per cent of the Sun's staff is made up of college graduates. Next Friday afternoon, the public schools of the city will be dismissed until after the end of the Christmas holidays. Some ceremonies will probably be held at the different schools throughout the city, and Santa Claus has already promised to appear at one or two. At the High School in the afternoon, all regular school work will be suspended and a meeting of the "literary societies will be held in the auditorium. Parents and friends of the students are invited to be present at this meeting and an interesting program has been arranged. School work will again begin on January 2nd, thus giving more than ten days holiday to the students this year. The regular monthly meeting of the city teachers institute was held yesterday afternoon in the auditorium of the high school building beginning at three o'clock and some important matters came up for discussion. Interesting papers on child and student training methods were read by several of the different teachers, and a talk by Prof. Toland, the presiding officer, was also given. Other business was transacted which will be given out in the future, as some plans now in contemplation by the institute have not yet matured. M. M. Murray, auditor of the Wichita Falls Traction Company returned last night from Fort Worth, where he has been for several days on business.

FATAL STABBING AT DENISON SATURDAY NIGHT

By United Press.
Denison, Dec. 16.—Joe Broll, a former Katy switchman, lived for three hours today with three serious knife wounds in his body. One of them penetrated the pleural cavity and reached the heart. Broll staggered into a drug store after walking a block and a half. Z. T. Duke, of Myra, Tex., a man 67 years of age was placed under arrest charged with murder. Duke was struck in the head with a beer bottle but his injuries are of a minor nature.

Zionists Convention at Austin

By United Press.
Austin, Texas, Dec. 16.—Zionists of Austin announce that there will be a State convention of Zionists held here during the latter part of this month which will be the first gathering of this kind ever held here and delegations from all over the State are expected. The Austin Zionists Society is a branch of the Zionists movement of the world, founded by the late Dr. T. Herzl of Vienna and its object is to colonize and re-establish a Jewish center in their ancient Palestine home for all Jews who desire to migrate there. Rabbi from over the State will be here.

REP. SULZER IS STANDING FIRM

HOPES SENATE WILL PASS RESOLUTION ABROGATING RUSSIAN TREATY WITHOUT AMENDMENT.

RUSSIA IS SENSITIVE

Sulzer Regards This As Good Sign and Declares United States Will Succeed in Purpose.

By United Press.
Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.—Asserting that Russia cannot afford to sulk and be isolated, Representative Sulzer, Republican of New York, chairman of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, in a statement tonight expressed the hope that his resolution abrogating the treaty of 1832 with Russia would pass the Senate unchanged. "I hope the Senate will pass the resolution without amendment and with the same unanimity the House gave," said Mr. Sulzer. "This is the only thing that can now be done, and it will be official notice to Russia that the people of the United States are in earnest, and are sincere. Russia has always doubted this. The enactment into law of the resolution will have a good effect and in my opinion will bring about a new treaty in harmony with the spirit of the times. Our relations with Russia will always continue friendly and harmonious and a new treaty, up to date, will soon be written. Russia cannot afford to sulk and be isolated. Of course, I don't know what the Russian Ambassador said to the Secretary of State, but I am sure that he did not tell him that Russia would live up to her treaty obligations with the United States and recognize the rights held by American citizens with out discrimination. I am told that the Russian Ambassador objects to the declaration in my resolution that Russia has violated the treaty. This statement is absolutely true. The record is conclusive and I am surprised that the Ambassador objects to the truth. Official Russia seems to be getting sensitive about the matter at least, and that is certainly a good sign there is nothing offensive about the resolution. I drew the resolution carefully with a desire to say nothing to which Official Russia or any friend or sympathizer with Russia could take objection. The resolution is in diplomatic form and follows the precedents heretofore adopted by Congress. Only it is not so drastic as some which have been passed by Congress. It says nothing we do not mean and it means nothing we have not said before." Sulzer was not at all nervous over the prospect of a serious result, but was inclined to think Russia would accept the resolution as inevitable if it is passed by the Senate. He believed that a new treaty, which will insure fair treatment to Americans of every race of religion will result.

Continuing the Governor says that the records of the past administration show these industries at Huntsville and Rusk have never paid the cost of maintenance until recently, but that since the present administration took charge, modern machinery was purchased and also a stock of supplies and now these industries at the time of the fire were being operated at a profit to the State. "Notwithstanding the misfortune resulting from the fire, and the heavy loss due to the freeze of cane on the convict farms, I have no doubt whatever but that we will enter upon the new year in as good financial condition as we found the penitentiary system when it was turned over to the present administration. "With the beginning of 1912 to share farm contracts and one contract for convict labor at a stipulated price per month, will terminate and one of them have been or will be renewed. These contracts were in force at the time the present administration took charge. The share farm contracts almost without exception have shown a loss to the State. There will remain on the first of the year 1912, one small force under contract for stipulated wages, and there will remain three share farm contracts in force, all of which were in effect under a two-year contract at the time this administration took charge of the penitentiary system. These contracts involve only about 385 men. After the first day of January all of the 3500 prison population will be worked on state account, excepting the 385 men referred to above.

In conclusion, the Governor says: "It may be added in this connection that we have spent about \$200,000 in improvements made necessary by the requirements of the new prison laws. In addition to this we have had to purchase large number of mules and farm machinery with which to work the state farms. The convicts are better housed, better fed, better controlled and better treated than ever before in the history of the system. Liquor Dealers May Get Refund. By United Press.
Austin, Texas, Dec. 16.—Liquor dealers who have been unable to get from the State the refund of the unearned portion of their licenses because the Comptroller refused an error in the appropriation of \$104,99 made for that purpose by the last legislature, and would not issue the warrants, may get their refund. It was found this afternoon that the section of the law of 1907, sought to be amended by the last legislature, has no bearing whatever on the question of the refund, that in so far as that section is concerned it is the same as originally.

IMPROVEMENTS AT PENITENTIARY

GOV. COLQUITT ANNOUNCES PLANS FOR PRISONS AFTER CONFERENCE WITH PRISON BOARD

HIS OWN GOOD RECORD

Governor Tells of Wonderful Changes in Prison Management Since He Became Executive.

By United Press.
Austin, Texas, Dec. 16.—In an authorized statement this afternoon the Governor officially announced that as a result of his recent conference with the prison commission, it was decided to rehabilitate the blacksmith shop and repair shop, cabinet shop and furniture shop and machine shop and also install new machinery and operate the machine shop at the Rusk prison, which will give employment to as many men as were employed in these industries before the Huntsville fire. "We estimate that the machinery to start these industries in motion," says the Governor, "can be purchased at a cost of about \$36,000, that the lumber and other materials necessary to equip the buildings at Huntsville, recently destroyed by fire, by tearing them down to the first roof, and rehabilitating them, will cost \$7,000. We can purchase the machinery and the materials with which to accomplish this on the credit of the penitentiary system, and this we have determined to do, and pay for the same out of the crops produced next year on the convict farms, and out of the earnings which we hope to make from the penitentiary system generally." Continuing the Governor says that the records of the past administration show these industries at Huntsville and Rusk have never paid the cost of maintenance until recently, but that since the present administration took charge, modern machinery was purchased and also a stock of supplies and now these industries at the time of the fire were being operated at a profit to the State. "Notwithstanding the misfortune resulting from the fire, and the heavy loss due to the freeze of cane on the convict farms, I have no doubt whatever but that we will enter upon the new year in as good financial condition as we found the penitentiary system when it was turned over to the present administration. "With the beginning of 1912 to share farm contracts and one contract for convict labor at a stipulated price per month, will terminate and one of them have been or will be renewed. These contracts were in force at the time the present administration took charge. The share farm contracts almost without exception have shown a loss to the State. There will remain on the first of the year 1912, one small force under contract for stipulated wages, and there will remain three share farm contracts in force, all of which were in effect under a two-year contract at the time this administration took charge of the penitentiary system. These contracts involve only about 385 men. After the first day of January all of the 3500 prison population will be worked on state account, excepting the 385 men referred to above.

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SHOW GIRLS WILL SUE FOR DAMAGES

By United Press.
New York, Dec. 16.—That the acquittal of Lillian Graham and Ethel Conrad for the shooting of W. E. D. Stokes will not end the celebrated case was the positive assertion tonight of Attorney Robert M. Moore, counsel for Miss Conrad, who declares that both girls will sue the multi-millionaire for immense sums. Miss Conrad, it is declared, will demand \$250,000 for alleged malicious prosecution and false arrest. Miss Graham has not decided what suit she will demand. "I contend that those young women have splendid claims against Stokes," declared Moore. "Stokes made a sensational charge against them to protect himself from scandal, and he must pay for it. He charged that they attempted to blackmail him of \$25,000. That was proven untrue to the jury's satisfaction. I have told both the young women they would be foolish to let the old villain get away with this conspiracy against them." Assistant District Attorney Barker, who prosecuted the girls, said today he was greatly disappointed with the verdict.

LITTLE COTTON SHIPPED TO NEW ORLEANS

By United Press.
Austin, Dec. 16.—The Railroad Commission was greatly surprised this afternoon at the report submitted by the Texas and Pacific railway of the amount of cotton shipped from Texas points on its line to New Orleans, the number for two years ending Oct. 31, 1911, being only 670 bales. The commission believes there is some error in the report as it had been generally believed that more cotton than that moved to New Orleans from that road. The commission will ask for a verification of the report as several other roads that reported, showed considerably more cotton shipped comparatively to New Orleans.

DEFENSE MAKING FIGHT TO PROVE FLETCHER IS INSANE

Special to The Times.
Lawton, Okla., Dec. 16.—Four of the nine expert alienists summoned by the defense in the trial of Jesse Fletcher for the murder of Jesse Barkloe, his niece's husband on July 10th near Randlett, Okla., occupied the stand all of Saturday and at the night session of the court held tonight. A strenuous effort is being made by the defense to prove that Fletcher was mentally unbalanced at the time of the homicide. The state also has expert testimony in rebuttal. The case has resolved itself into the biggest legal battle ever known in Comanche county and the court room has been packed throughout the trial. It is now believed that the case will occupy all of next week. \$5,000 Reward Offered. By United Press.
Houston, Dec. 16.—President Fay tonight offered a reward of five thousand dollars for the arrest and conviction of the party or parties implicated in the assassination of Lyons.

SAUCE FOR GOOSE; SAUCE FOR GANDER

GOVERNOR REFUSED TO APPROVE DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATION THEN, COMPTROLLER REFUSES WARRANT NOW.

IS UNCONSTITUTIONAL

Lane Intimates He Will Hold Up Deficiency for A. and M. College Approved by Governor.

By United Press.
Austin, Texas, Dec. 16.—"If this course can be pursued in this instance, then the Governor, Comptroller, and State Treasurer could, without the consent or authority of the legislature withdraw a million dollars from the treasury, if it were available; and this presents such a serious question that I am inclined to think that such a procedure is not contemplated by law," declares Comptroller Lane in an authorized interview this afternoon concerning the application made to him by the board of managers of the A. & M. College for the issuance of a deficiency warrant for \$100,000 to rebuild the mess hall at the college and which application has the approval of the Governor. The Comptroller maintains that this is not merely a request for an ordinary deficiency warrant, but is in fact a request for a deficiency warrant which would authorize the immediate payment of \$100,000 out of the public treasury for which there was no appropriation whatever made by the last legislature. He points out that the deficiency has never been approved by the Governor or allowed by the Comptroller which was not based upon a specific appropriation further than that he requested the Governor last February to approve a deficiency of \$1000 for the payment of sheriff's fees, etc., out of a balance of \$18,000 remaining unexpended out of an appropriation of \$100,000 made by the Thirty-First Legislature to pay deficiencies, but the Governor declined on constitutional grounds, and now the Comptroller says, the Governor wants him to issue a warrant for which there is absolutely no constitutional authority. The Comptroller says he recognizes the emergency for the appropriation, but he does not intend to violate his oath of office to relieve a situation even as grave as the present one.

REBELS REPULSE MEXICAN TROOPS

By United Press.
Mexico City, Dec. 16.—Reports received here tonight state that the Federal troops in Yucatan met with a decided repulse this afternoon when they attacked the Reynista forces under Dellano. The Government forces lost 14 men. Two hundred bandits are supposed to have attacked Miraflores. It is feared that they will have but little difficulty in taking the town as the garrison has been weakened by sending troops to quell the revolt in the south. Congress, after appropriating five million dollars to pay the expenses of the revolution which placed Madero on the seat of power adjourned this afternoon.

Tracks Laid to the South Canadian River on Northwestern

Rails were laid to the South Canadian river on the extension of the Wichita Falls and Northwestern today and it is expected that the Texas Oklahoma Construction Co. which is building the road will inaugurate service between Hammon and Trail at once. It had been expected to reach the river with the rails of the thirtieth of the month but the heavy rains caused delay. The river is 182 miles north of Wichita Falls and 37 miles south of Woodward. Many miles of track have been laid North of Woodward and work between Woodward and the river is to be pushed until the whole line is connected. The whole extension will be completed and trains in operation early in the spring.

Chicotans Vouch For Them

By United Press.
Waco, Texas, Dec. 16.—A. H. Koler and Sid Nichols, of Chicota, Okla., who were arrested here on charges of robbery, have secured telegrams from prominent parties in Chicota vouching for them in every way. They are still held for further investigation, however. Temple Man Badly Burned. Temple, Dec. 16.—Z. P. Zacharias was badly burned about the face and on one of his arms when he was attempting to fill the gasoline tank of a car in a confectionery store here.

STUDENTS HOME FOR HOLIDAYS

MANY WICHITA FALLS YOUNG PEOPLE AWAY AT COLLEGE COMING HOME FOR CHRISTMAS.

MERRY TIMES AHEAD

Social Life of City Will Receive Stimulus From Bouyant Spirits of Enthusiastic Collegians.

Christmas is rapidly approaching, and with it will come many pleasures which are not to be enjoyed at any other season of the year. A carefree spirit prevails about Christmas time among young and old alike which is the means of bringing pleasure and happiness to the hearts of many who do not allow themselves enjoyment at any other time during the year.

It would be safe to make the statement that no person or persons in this city, either young or old, married or single, will more thoroughly enjoy the pleasures and privileges of the Christmas holidays than will the boys and girls who for the last several months have been absent from home studying in the different universities and colleges throughout the country.

Most of them will come here with the burden of term examinations lifted from their hearts, while others will temporarily shake aside their feelings of dread and foreboding, and after a small and unpretentious letter bearing the stamp of their college has been received, they too will enter fully into the Christmas spirit, with merry burms lifted from their minds, and knowing that the college pros, who will then be far away, have no terrors for them, at least during the time they remain at home.

These college students, boys and girls, upon their arrival here will live things up in great style, and there will be "something doing" all of the time while they remain in the city. There will be parties at night, and hunting fishing, and other outdoor amusement in the day time. The girls will relate reminiscences, and the boys especially, the freshmen, will relate tales of narrow escapes and deeds of daring on the grid iron. All these have their place on the conversations heard on the streets.

During next week, nearly all of the college students now absent from their homes will arrive. Some are already here but the most of them are now in the midst of the dreaded term examinations, and are ardently wishing that the time would come for them to take the train bound for Wichita Falls where home and friends are awaiting them.

Those who are already here, or who will arrive in the next few days are: Miss Alleen Waggoner, of Polytechnic College in Fort Worth; Merle Waggoner, of Southwestern University, a Georgetown; Robert Huff, from Peacock Military School in San Antonio; Miss Gertrude Orth, from Kidd-Key College in Sherman; Miss Edna Gas-ton, from Hardin College, Mexico, Mo.; Edison Jalowick, of Washington-Lee University, Lexington, Virginia; Eugene Isley, from Baylor University, a Waco, Texas; Ralph Mathis, of the University of Texas, at Austin; Edith Mathis, of Kidd-Key College, in Sherman; Miss Vivian Mathis, from Denver, Colorado, where she has been studying voice for several months; Wayne Somerville, from the University of Texas, at Austin; Wiley Blair, Jr., of Paulding school in New York; Grad Barnett, from the University of Texas; Alphonse Boger, from T. C. U. in Ft. Worth; Miss Gladys Trueblood, of the University of Texas, in Austin; Miss Annie Carrigan, from the University of Arkansas, Lafayette, Arkansas; Miss Bees Kell, of St. Mary's Academy in Dallas; Miss Willie May Kell, who will return with an A. B. degree from the University of Texas; Miss Bertha May Kemp, from St. Mary's College in Dallas; Miss Katie Stonecipher, of Lenox, Hall of Music, St. Louis, Mo.; Miss Lillian Avis, of Kidd Key College in Sherman, and Miss Ethel Frieze, also of Kidd-Key College.

Some of those absent from the city will be unable to be here during the holidays from one cause or another, and among these are Carter McGregor of Poughkeepsie Business College, in New York; Clarence Barnett, of Lehigh Stanford College, in California; Bentley Bacon, of Poughkeepsie Business College, in New York; Miss Nellie Jalowick, of Sweet Brier College, in Virginia; Rheta Howard, of Poughkeepsie Business College, in New York; and the Misses Mabelle Clifton, and Orville Wyatt, of Lockport, New York. Nearly all of the above mentioned boys and girls will spend Christmas either with relatives or college chums, and in this way will be able to forget for a short time the routine of school work.

Shooting Affray at Dance.

By United Press.

Lockhart, Texas, Dec. 16.—As the result of a shooting affray which occurred at a dance at the residence of J. B. White, who lives at Timon, 10 miles east of Lockhart, Bill Briscoe is in a precarious condition and Grover Hellums under a thousand dollar bond. All of the parties refuse to talk. How the trouble started is not known.

YULETIDE RECALLS FEUDAL DRINKS

MANY VINTAGES AND BREWS IN FAVOR THEN, CANNOT BE FOUND NOW.

DRINKING CUPS UNIQUE

Popular Tankard of the Day Had a Whistle for Summoning Waiters.

London, Eng., Dec. 16.—With Christmas comes the conflict on the old question—to drink or not to drink? For 'tis a poor heart that never rejoices; and Christmas is the time above all others when festivity casts a spell over the world.

Most moderns are inclined to be thankful, though, that they are no longer called upon to sit down to the German feasts their forefathers thought it necessary to place before their guests at Christmas time. They may now safely accept an invitation to dinner without having to assist in demolishing huge joints of beef, accompanied by peacocks, swans, brawns, and capoons, to say nothing of a fish course in which whole pikes and sturgeons were prominent.

Nor need they feel it necessary to join the other guests under the table at the conclusion of the feast as a result of having added too many "hot and rebellious liquors" to the generous fare. This is a more abstemious age, and many of the heavy and strange dishes are gone which our lusty forebears polished off with such amazing appetites.

But although we have grown out of the glutinous and bibulous habits of the past, we still retain many of those old customs of the table which have been handed down from the early centuries.

To America belongs the distinction of having invented a greater number of new drinks, with fantastic titles, than any other nation, and the British expert Edward Spencer, better known to sportsmen as "Nathaniel Gubbins" also asserts Uncle Sam introduced the jar system into England.

Spencer, by the way, is hard on the habit of drinking between meals. "Better, far better," he urges, "was the three-bottle trick of our ancestors than the gin-crawl of today." But his opinion is not shared by a breezy character in a recent novel by Charlie Ravitch, who advances the bold view that between meals is the best time of all to drink as a man can then give it his sole and undivided attention.

The concern of this story, however, is less with nips, pegs, cockails and other occasional refreshers than with the drink of the people on ceremonial and festive occasions; and here the Old Country can claim to have put in some very rich and satisfying liquors.

Before the Romans taught them how to brew, the ancient Britons slaked their thirst and wished each other luck in mead, cider or perry, but having once learned the taste of ale, they quickly raised the brewing of John Barleycorn to a fine art, and it became the staple drink of the country. So popular did it become that it was laid low whenever it was found necessary to raise funds for public purposes, and the "Church ales" of a past age were as helpful to the distressed clergy as a modern church bazaar.

The Romans had a great fondness for wine; in fact, the virtues of the juice of the grape were well established as far back as the days of Noah, who drank not wisely but too well of the product of his own vineyards.

The origin of winemaking is also claimed by the Persians, whose King, Jemsheed, stored a quantity of grapes in his cellar for future use. They fermented and becoming very acid, were believed to be poisonous, and were so labeled. A lady of the harem, who desired to commit suicide, took freely of the wine and became very drunk. After a lengthened sleep, however, she awoke perfectly well, and was so pleased with her experiment that she promptly finished the rest of the "poison."

Our sparkling wines owe to the blind monk, Dom Perignon, cellarer to the Abbey of Hautvillers. His blindness increased the delicacy of his palate, and as the result of his experience, he succeeded in producing the sparkling wine which has added so much to the glory of nations.

Wine was first drunk out of the fazer bowl, made of light maple-wood, highly polished, and afterwards out of a buglehorn. Silver bowls were next introduced, and about the time when Queen Elizabeth's son was setting, vessels made of Venetian glass first made their appearance at State banquets.

Beer was usually carried from the cellar to the table, in the Eighteenth century, in large leathern tankards, called "Blackjacks," lined with silver or provided with a silver rim. The "Ing Tankard" was the invention of St. Dunstan Abbot of Glastonbury, who may be considered to have been the first temperance reformer in England.

Being shocked at the frequent and sanguinary quarrels of his Saxons

flock over their Wassail bowls, he invented a tankard divided into equal spaces by eight pegs, one above another, each division being a legal draught, beyond which it was made a penal offense for a man to drink. It was from the use of this tankard that the expression arose "a peg too low." The whistle tankard had a whistle attached to the brim, so that the drinker could blow it when he desired the vessel to be refilled. Hence the saying, "If you want more, you must whistle for it." In some cases the whistle was ingeniously contrived at the bottom of the tankard, so that it sounded itself when the vessel was emptied.

The bellshaped drinking glasses of the Sixteenth Century were intended to be emptied at one draught, and would only stand in the reversed position. It is from these vessels we have the modern word, "tumbler." They were usually provided with dice or a little bell, which served a similar purpose to the whistle on the tankard.

TO SPREAD FAME OF "BELLE OF WICHITA"

As an evidence of the large amount of business which is transacted by the Wichita Falls Mill & Elevator Company, more than a wagon load of mail was taken to the postoffice Friday afternoon, and delivered into the case of Uncle Sam's men. The wagon used was a large float employed at the mill in delivering flour about the city, and has a capacity of several tons.

However, the sending of so large amount of mail is not a daily occurrence at the Mill & Elevator Company, and the cause of it yesterday was the fact that Christmas is drawing near, and the management of the company thought this a good time to show their customers that their patronage is appreciated, and that they have not forgotten them. With this end in view, they mailed out yesterday afternoon to their out-of-town customers, over sixteen hundred new calendars of a very beautiful design.

Not only did they remember their out-of-town customers, but their home customers as well. They have employed two boys from the graduating class at the high school building whose business it will be for the next several days to deliver one of these handsome calendars into the home of every family in this city that uses flour manufactured by the mill.

These boys, as they go over town, will call at every house, and will inquire whether or not the occupants are users of Wichita Mill & Elevator flour, and in case the answers is no, the boys will take down the name of that family and a complete list of such names will be returned to the office for future reference.

It is planned by the management of the mill to place a small sample sack of flour in the home of every person in this city who is not a user of their flour and sample sacks will be placed in every grocery store in town for distribution to people whose names appear on the mill's list of non-users of their product. In this way Wichita Falls manufactured flour is expected to speak for itself, and those who do not now use it are invited to secure one of the sample sacks and try it for themselves.

The calendars which were sent to out-of-town customers will come to them travel for a distance of many miles, as the mill has been exporting flour to Porto Rico, Cuba, Jamaica, England and points on the continent for many months. Carload shipments of flour to these points are not at all uncommon.

STEWART'S INJURIES ARE VERY SERIOUS

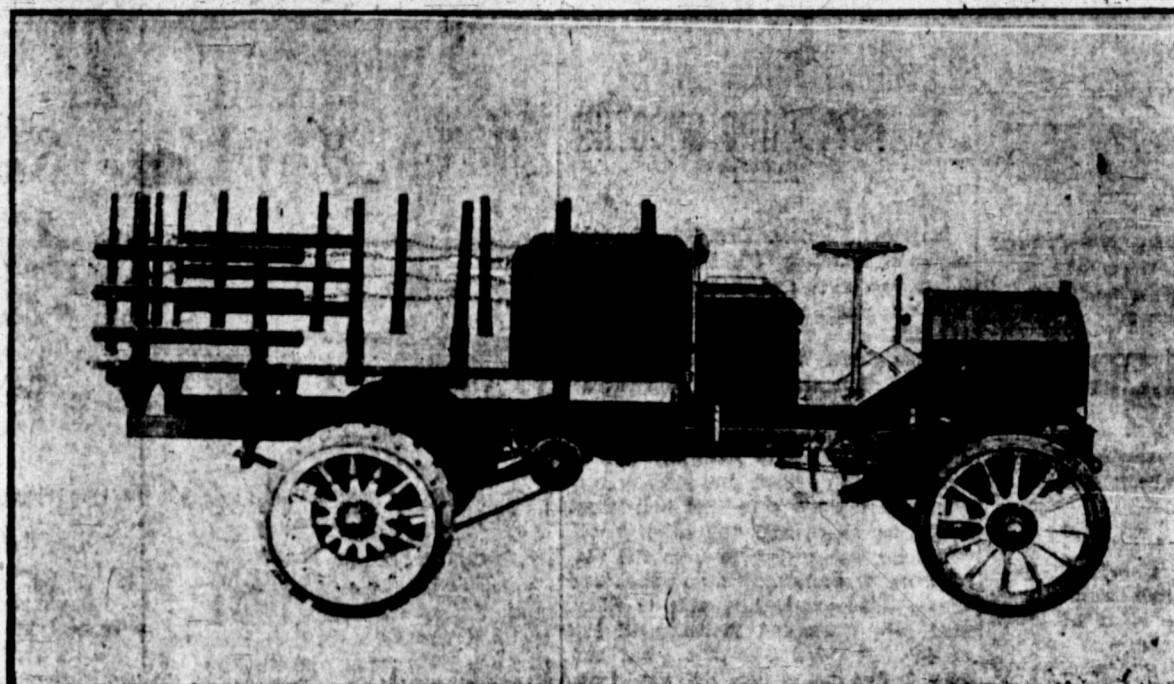
Rev. R. R. Hamlin has received word from Mrs. Franklin Stewart, whose son was recently injured in a boiler explosion in Keokuk, Iowa, and upon hearing the news, immediately left for that place to be at his bedside, the Young Stewart is in a very bad condition, and that he has but a slight chance of recovery.

Arthur Stewart is well known here, where he was formerly employed as the engineer on a steam boiler, and his home was in this city. While on duty a few days ago, the boiler to his steam shovel exploded, breaking one leg, putting out one eye, and tearing a large hole in his scalp from one eye brow to the crown of his head. He is not expected to live, although he has a slight chance for recovery.

Mr. Paul Fowler, an engineer of this city, and his personal friend, is also at his bedside.

"WICHITA"

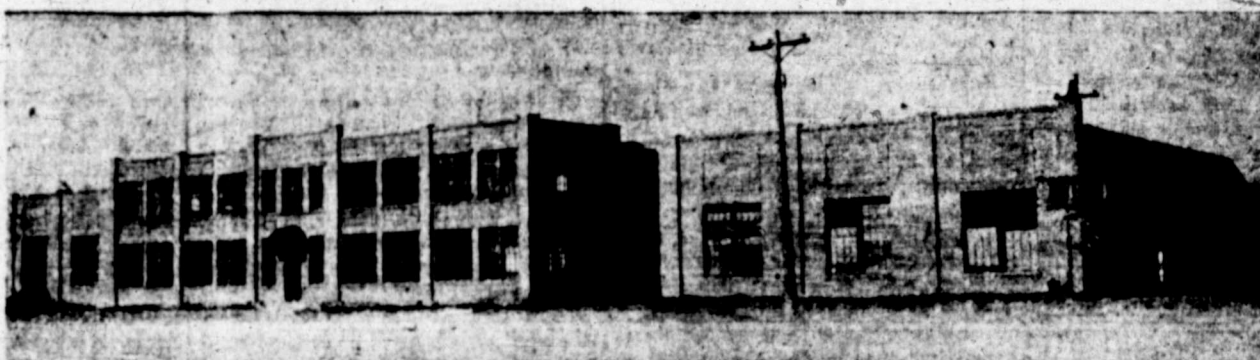
"WICHITA"



TWO TON (MAXIMUM) PRICE \$1850.00

MR. BUSINESS MAN:—

Did you know that it is the easiest matter in the world to stop those big feed bills you are paying for all those horses you are using? Do you know that one "WICHITA" TRUCK will easily replace four horses and one man? Did you know that the WICHITA MOTOR COMPANY are now making deliveries of the best motor trucks in this country? Do you want to keep abreast with the times? If you don't your competitors will to your loss and their gain. Do you know that the largest and best equipped factory for the manufacture of trucks and delivery wagons west of the Mississippi river, is located in Wichita Falls, Texas? Did you know that this Company is equipped to turn out as many as three to five finished trucks in twenty-four hours?



Main factory building of Wichita Falls Motor Company.

The "Wichita" Trucks and deliveries are the product of years of study and experiment of the designers, and embody all the proven good qualities of commercial car manufacture. But we go still farther and in one "fell stroke" as it were entirely and forever relegate to the past the one eyed, two legged, and four wheeled counter by the users of commercial automobiles. By our patented control (used on our cars only) we do away with all the former complications in the control of such a car. Instead of some six to eight levers, pedals, etc., used by all other makes of such cars; the proper handling and operation of which constituted an almost impenetrable handicap to employers (on account of having to employ experienced drivers to operate them). Our cars are equipped with the McKeirnan unit control. By the use of this device any inexperienced man or boy can learn to successfully operate our cars in one hours time. This unit control automatically controls spark, throttle, gears and clutch and is manipulated from the top of steering wheel. Other good features include a four cylinder enbloc motor, three fans (one in rear of radiator, one in fly wheel and one in the clutch); three speed forward and reverse sliding gear transmission, cone clutch, Thermo Syphon cooling system, Bosch Magneto, high speed gear, ratio (one ton) seven to one (two ton) nine to one, all parts oiled by pump from bottom of crank case. Large two bearing crank shaft, pressed steel frames, heavy artillery wheels. Double chain drive to rear wheels. Extra large solid tires, two sets of brakes, one on jack shaft and one on rear wheels. Unit drop forged axles. Weight carried on top of springs permitting free oscillation (no shackles); worm and sector steering gear, besides many other improvements in the finer details, such as swinging starting crank, etc., coupled with all other advantages is one that to the users is of the most vital importance and that is the price.

Our one ton (maximum) with panel top finely finished with your name and occupation in gold leaf letters is only \$1575.00 F. O. B.—Wichita Falls. The two ton (maximum) with the very best hard wood heavily ironed stake body is only \$1850.00 F. O. B.—Wichita Falls. However we are prepared to furnish any style or shaped body that may be required, we know that these trucks are the very best that money and fine equipment can turn out and therefore guarantee each car sold for the term of one year. All parts of this car are made interchangeable and nearly all, including the engine, made in our home plant, where we are prepared to furnish repairs for any part within twenty-four-hours time. It is no longer a question as to which is the cheapest principle, horse drawn or motor trucks—That is settled beyond a doubt. All that is left for you to determine is where can I get the best truck for a given amount of money to suit my purpose? The answer is from.

The Wichita Falls Motor Company

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FROM SANTA CLAUS.

My dear, dear Children, one and all,
I got your letters, great and small,
I've read each one with special care,
And thank you for the love they bear.
I have an airship, fine and new,
And it is filled with things for you.
I've eleven-million dolls,
Fixed up fine in their folders.
And buggies you should see the pile,
All of them in the latest style.
There has been ten thousand wishes
For "a little set of dishes."
And I have them—ev—er—y one:
Don't that mean just lots of fun?
Than I have stacks, and stacks, and stacks
Of "toot-toot" trains that run on tracks.
There's autos, airships, kites and balls,
Everything for which a boy calls.
In addition to all of this
I've also something I hope you'll miss,
I have to take along with me
Something you always dread to see.
'Tis a bundle of thorny sticks
For smart children who play tricks,
And for those who will not believe
I bring the things which they receive:
For those who slip around and peep
On Christmas eve when they should sleep,
I hope there won't be any calls
For these sticks in Wichita Falls.
But if there are—I'll leave some sure,
No foolishness will I endure.
I love you every one 'tis true,
And that is why I'm warning you.
I want to fill your stockings up
From my great, golden loving cup,
Its full of candy nuts and fruit,
With chewing-gum thrown in to boot.
I'll tie your socks with strings of corn,
That's popped right fresh for Christmas morn.
So be good girls, and be good boys,
For I am coming with your toys.
Hooray! Hooray! Hooray! Hooray!
For every child in Wichita.
Put out your lights—turn off the gas,
And wonderful things shall come to pass.
I am yours faithfully—because
I am your own, old—SANTA CLAUS.

MORE LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a large jointed
doll dressed in white, with blue
stockings and slippers, and curly
hair also, a sewing machine, a stove
and some little cooking vessels, a tea
set, a big doll dresser, a doll bed,
some nuts, candy, fruit and a doll.
Santa Claus. With lots of love.—Mary
Joe Kell.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am so glad it is time for you to
come again. I am a little boy five
years old, and I try to be a good
boy so you will be glad to come and
see me I know. I want an auto, a fid-
dle, a scout suit, and any little toy
you think a little boy would like.
Now Santy dear, I wish you a merry

Christmas and a happy and prosper-
ous New Year. Your little boy—
Redney Lee.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl four years old, and
have been trying to be real good, so
that you will be sure to bring me
some toys. I would like to have a
few stone cooking vessels, a doll and
doll buggy, a bed large enough for
the doll, a doll piano, a dresser with
a mirror, a piano stool and a teddy
bear. I hope that you will have a nice
time Christmas, and be sure to go
see the poor children. Good-bye,
dear, Santa Claus.—Elizabeth Carrigan,
1100 Austin.

Dear Santa Claus:
I see where all the little boys
and girls of Wichita Falls are writing
to you. I am a Houston girl, visiting
grandma. I will now write to you
and tell you what I want, a doll bug-
gy, piano, sideboard, knife and forks,
stove, and some tin things. Please
don't forget my little brother. Hop-

ing to see you Christmas. From
your little girl.—Cecil McGurdy.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a blue serge suit and a
story book, and a horn, too. I want
a block game, too, and I want five
boxes of licorice too. Your truly—
Frank Benson.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl six years old.
Please bring me a baby buggy, a set
of dishes, a muff, and furs, and some
fireworks, candy, nuts and fruits.
Your little friend.—Lucille Benson, 511
Burnett.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me an engine that
will wind up, and a coconut. I guess
I will get some candy at the Chris-
mas tree, but bring me an organ and
a horn. Gerald wants a horn too.
Please bring Gracie a little doll bed.
I am trying to be a good boy. Well,
good-bye Santa.—Horace Eugene
Downing.

Dear Santa Claus:
I will tell you what I want. I want
a doll buggy and a story book, and
two dolls and a trunk, and some
candy and nuts. Yours truly, Tessie
Manley.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl five years old and
want you to bring me a big doll, a
doll bath tub, little piano, and some
candy, nuts and fruits. Santa if you
will bring me these, I will try to be
a good girl. Your little friend.—Mabel
Gwinn, 1292 Scott avenue.

"What is the Matter With American Women?" Answer "American Men"

Kansas City Star.

What is the matter with the Amer-
ican woman? Too much liberty, say
some soul-physicians. Too much mon-
ey says others. Suffragists diagnose
the trouble as lack of the ballot; anti-
suffragists declare it to be the threat-
ening "yellow peril" of women's
votes.

The latest physician to be called
into consultation over this invalid, in
spite of herself, is Mrs. Flora Mc-
Donald Thompson, who has specializ-
ed for years as a writer on social
conditions affecting American women,
and who is leader in feminine affairs
in Connecticut.

For when you ask Mrs. Thomp-
son what is the matter with the
American woman your question
echoes about your head as if you had
asked it in the Cave of the Winds.

"What is the matter with the Amer-
ican woman?" she quickly repeats
and as promptly answers, "The
American man."

"More particularly it is the mat-
terialism of the American man."
That is manifest in the moral
order by neglect of religion and con-
sequent contempt of woman in the
exercise of those functions which the
Christian religion make unavoidable
for her—family and maternal func-
tions. It is manifest in the political
order by Socialism, which conspicu-
ously in municipal governments

places the state in competition with
the woman in the performance of
home duties and in the rearing of the
child.

"Nowadays scarcely anybody will
believe that he is alive, free or hap-
py unless there is an official com-
mission, backed by statisticians, to as-
sure him of the fact.

"If American babes in arms could
speak they would today, in the name
of democracy, refuse their mother's
milk until a duly appointed commis-
sion of public hygiene had called a
meeting, made an investigation, pre-
pared statistics, read papers, and
fully and finally by law proscribed
the milk in the interests of the whole
people.

"Misapplication of the majority
rule has debauched the American
mother in the nursery. Practically her
whole mission toward the family has
been usurped by the State or some
State re-enforced form of collectiv-
ism, until now she public playgrounds
and summer camps.

"Now the ill go to hospitals, the
aged go to institutions. Americans
are not a long-lived people. Yet in
New York City there are approximat-
ely fifteen thousand in public and pri-
vate institutions for the aged. Empty
handed, hungry, hearted in empty
homes, the woman is left idle and
alone. Even her one eternally indis-
pensable function is arranged in the
name of progression, to diminish her
occupation in the home, to belittle
her essential importance in the fam-
ily. Women nowadays—the poorer
ones from necessity, the wealthier
ones from choice—go to hospitals to
have their children brought into the
world."

INNOCENT MAN 40 YEARS IN PRISON

Morano Justi Released Upon Death
Bed Confession of the Guilty
Man.

By United Press.
Rome, Dec. 16.—After serving 45
years in prison for murder, Morano
Justi was released today, following the
death bed confession of a carbineer
who admitted that he had stabbed to
death Justi's sweetheart in 1866.

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lar sheet music 10c per copy. Call
and examine our pianos and music.
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LONG HAT PINS RESULT IN ARRESTS

By United Press.
Zurich, Dec. 16.—The police were or-
dered today to confiscate all pins that
protruded through the headgear of
women pedestrians and persistent vio-
lators of the law are being arrested

and fined. A policeman arrested a
stylishly dressed woman in one of the
main thoroughfares today.

Mail Bag Catcher.

Temple, Dec. 16.—Mr. Rudolph Koch
of this city has received notice that
his application for a patent on an in-
vention which he recently completed
has been granted. The device is known
as a mail bag catcher and deliverer.
He will submit it to the postmaster
general at Washington.

W. E. GOLDEN

REAL ESTATE, OIL LANDS AND LEASES

If you have property to sell or exchange, or want to know the prices of properties, I can assist you and will be pleased to show you every courtesy. I have some good oil properties to offer for sale or lease. I will give prompt attention to your affairs, no matter how large or small, and will be pleased if you will call and discuss same with me. I am located in the Lobby of the Howard Hotel.

Respectfully,
W. E. GOLDEN

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Place under this head will bring satisfactory results. One Cent the Word for Each Insertion; Half Cent the Word for Each Following Insertion.

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WANTED—Two gentlemen roomers, on hill. Phone 968. 183-3tc

WANTED—A couple to room and board, 1617 Ninth street. 186-1tc

WANTED—To buy second hand stoves of all kinds. McCConnell Bros. 158-1tc

WANTED—Gentleman wants room or room and board. Address P. O. Box 382. 186-3tdh

WANTED—A horse for its feed through winter. Apply Box 358. 185-1tp

WANTED—Everybody to see display of Everwear Aluminium Cooking ware in our window. Maxwell Hardware Co. 181-1tc

WANTED—1000 carpets to clean by the modern sanitary method. Phone 544. The Handy Man's Shop. 172-1tc

WANTED—Dress making. Satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded. 1007 Ninth street. 181-1tp

WANTED—To sell milk cow at a bargain; will be fresh in about two weeks. Apply to J. M. Bland. 186-1tc

WANTED—To trade for resident property on the hill. A section of land in Scurry county. Address P. O. Box 532. 183-1tc

WANTED—Two or three nicely furnished housekeeping rooms in congenial home. First class location; by young couple with no children. Box No. 97, city. 186-1tc

WANTED—To rent modern furnished house, 6 to 8 rooms, close in. Box 218, or phone 835. 186-1tc

WANTED—A Girl to do general housework. Call or address 1709 Ninth St., or phone 729. 186-1tp

WANTED—Woman to do housework. Apply to Mrs. Collier at The Elite Rooming House on 8th street. 186-1tc

BESSEY Furniture Co. are giving away a beautiful kitchen cabinet. Call at the store and register your name. Cabinet on display in our window. 167-1tc

HELP WANTED.

WANTED—First class colored chambermaid. Phone 652. 181-1tc

WANTED—Mexican woman to do housework. Phone 904. 186-1tc

WANTED—A grown girl to nurse and do up-stairs housework. Apply Mrs. E. M. Brown; phone 608; 408 Burnett. 185-1tc

WANTED—Girl for general housework. No washing. Mrs. C. W. Snider, 1512 Tenth street. 186-87-90-92c

WANTED—Housekeeper for widower. Have no small children. Applicant must be good cook. Address P. O. Box 1126, Wichita Falls. 186-1tp

FOR RENT—ROOMS

FOR RENT—2 furnished rooms, 704 Burnett. Phone 669. 186-4tp

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished bed room; 708 Travis. 176-1tc

FOR RENT—Two unfurnished rooms with lights and gas, 704 Travis. 174-1tc

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms, 1409 Thirteenth street. 186-3tp

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms for light housekeeping, close in; with hot and cold bath; 604 Scott Ave. 186-2tp

FOR RENT—Very desirable front room; all modern conveniences, 909 7th street. 184-1tc

FOR RENT—Furnished bed room; modern conveniences, 1100 Indiana avenue. 184-1tc

FOR RENT—Rooms at 710 Ninth St., with hot and cold bath; all conveniences. Will give meals if desired. 179-8tc

FOR RENT—2 furnished housekeeping and one bed room; modern. Good locality, 907 Travis. 178-1tc

FOR RENT—Furnished bed rooms, 704 Travis. 141-1tc

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FARMERS' STOP at the Peters Wagon Yard. Your stock will have the best of care. Horses boarded reasonable. Feed of all kinds. F. M. Tidwell. 167-1tc

ANOTHER KILLING IN HOUSTON SHOPS

Thomas Lyons Who Did Not Go Out With Strikers Shot Down Saturday.

Houston, Dec. 16.—Thomas C. Lyons, aged 60, a carpenter in the employ of the Southern Pacific shops, was shot and killed this morning in an enclosure just without the walls. A rifle bullet from an unknown slayer entered his temple. Lyons did not go out with the strikers.

Lyons had taken but little part in the strike agitation. Federal guards and others about the enclosure failed to ascertain the direction from whence the shot came. A rigid investigation is being made.

Mysterious Features of Shooting.

Houston, Dec. 16.—The assassination of Thos. Lyons in the yards of the Southern Pacific railway this morning possesses many features that are puzzling to the police. Harrison "line" strikers bore him no enmity and when they went out Oct. 1, owing to his years, and length of service, he was told to stay by his post and that his standing with the unions would not be affected. He was not regarded as a strike or enemy of the strikers in any sense. Again, the shot that killed him entered the top of his right temple, ranged downward several inches and came out at the left ear. There are no houses adjacent to the round house which would afford the proper angle for the shot. Again, the terrific course plowed by it in his head indicates that the shot was fired from close range and this has led to the assertion by many that the man who held the gun was within the round house enclosure. The killing occurred between the wall of the roundhouse and the fence that encloses it. He was on his knees cutting meat for pet cats when shot. Men standing within a few feet of Lyons say they can't swear they heard the shot and no one in that locality saw any smoke.

Theories held by officers differ. Some say that the shot was intended simply to warn the strike breakers not to leave the roundhouse while others assert the investigation thus far convinces them that it was accidental and still others think a personal enemy of Lyons did the deed, but he was not known to have any enemies. Twelve hours of close investigation has shed no light on the affair.

This is the third killing since the strike began and one result has been to again render the situation somewhat acute.

President Fay of the Harriman lines in Texas and Louisiana tonight made public statement in which he bitterly attacks the local officers for what he terms the non-enforcement of the law in connection with the strike. The latter, however, assert that he at the very inception of the trouble and before the slightest violence had resorted to the federal court, and that deputy marshals are now in charge of the situation, no less than ten being on a strike only at present. They assert further that in the case of the two preceding killings investigations have shown that company guards did the fatal shooting and, further, that they are maintaining order. They also assert they are doing all in their power to ferret out the assassin of Lyons, but are unwilling as yet to charge that he is a striker.

E. J. Hill, enforcer, office and orders 909 Scott Ave. Phone 525. Prompt ambulance service.

GRAIN MARKET QUIET SATURDAY

FAVORABLE WEATHER CONDITIONS FOR HARVEST IN ARGENTINE—DOMESTIC RECEIPTS SMALL.

By United Press.

Chicago, Dec. 16.—All grain markets were quiet, with but little fluctuation in values. Wheat opened slightly lower on the strength of cable reports from Argentina that weather conditions were perfect for reaping and harvesting the crops. Small domestic receipts at Northwestern markets had a like effect. But beyond these two items of interest the wheat market had nothing to speculate on, and as a result prices ruled firm and steady. May closed up 1-4; July unchanged.

Snow reported over practically the entire corn belt suggested smaller movement of that grain to the market and caused a slight drop in prices at the opening. Prices hardened a little later. May closed, up 1-8; July unchanged.

It was an unusually quiet day in the stock market. Demand was light and the offerings small, all the while prices changed they did not vary more than 1-4 during the entire session. May closed unchanged; July up 1-8.

A big increase in local tickets during the first half of the month caused a feeling of weakness in provisions. Prices at the close were not materially different from those at the opening.

New York Futures.

By United Press.

New York, Dec. 16.—Except the current position which was up two points from the final price yesterday to 9.19 and July unchanged at 9.15. Cotton futures opened today with a slight touch of weakness. January was down four points to 8.75; March was off 2 points to 8.90; and May at 9.02, showed a decline of 3 points. Gains of 1 to 2 points resulted from the trading of the first quarter of an hour. The close was barely steady, 2 to 7 points net higher.

COTTON SHOWS SOME WEAKNESS

FAIRLY LARGE SALES OF SPOT COTTON AT UNCHANGED PRICES IN ST. LOUIS.

By United Press.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 16.—Fairly large sales of spot cotton on the St. Louis market were reported Saturday 298 bales. Value unchanged. Ordinary 6 3-8; good ordinary 7 5-8; low middling 9 3-8; good middling 9 7-8 middling fair; 10 1-4. Tinges one fourth off from white.

St. Louis Cotton Market.

By United Press.

New York, Dec. 16.—Financial America, in its issue of Monday will say: "The stock market developed unexpected activity and strength last week as indicated by the fact that the leading industrial and railroad made advances ranging from four to six points.

The report of the railroad securities market was an important factor on the bull side, and so was the action of the commerce court in making permanent the temporary injunction against the decreased rates ordered by the inter-state commerce commission to take effect on Nov. 15 last. Of equal importance was the action of the United States Steel Corporation in advancing rates on several classes of finished steel product and the news of the increased demand in the steel trade that brought the volume of business in sight up to the highest amount that has been recorded for the last two years.

Copper trade conditions continue to show marked improvement with sales of copper metal during the week at close 14 cents per pound, compared with sales at under 11 cents only two months ago. Little attention was paid either to the various discussion since Congress or to the prominence seeking of many available candidates for the presidential contest next year.

The money situation in the past two weeks has radically changed and it might be said that fears of stringent money at the end of the year have been eliminated by the strong position in which the associated banks of this city have placed themselves.

Let us show you some of the season's best suit patterns. Collier the Tailor, 722 Ohio. 186-2tc

THE NEW YORK STOCK MARKET

Stocks Develop Unexpected Activity and Strength and Leading Industries Advance.

By United Press.

New York, Dec. 16.—Financial America, in its issue of Monday will say: "The stock market developed unexpected activity and strength last week as indicated by the fact that the leading industrial and railroad made advances ranging from four to six points.

The report of the railroad securities market was an important factor on the bull side, and so was the action of the commerce court in making permanent the temporary injunction against the decreased rates ordered by the inter-state commerce commission to take effect on Nov. 15 last. Of equal importance was the action of the United States Steel Corporation in advancing rates on several classes of finished steel product and the news of the increased demand in the steel trade that brought the volume of business in sight up to the highest amount that has been recorded for the last two years.

Copper trade conditions continue to show marked improvement with sales of copper metal during the week at close 14 cents per pound, compared with sales at under 11 cents only two months ago. Little attention was paid either to the various discussion since Congress or to the prominence seeking of many available candidates for the presidential contest next year.

The money situation in the past two weeks has radically changed and it might be said that fears of stringent money at the end of the year have been eliminated by the strong position in which the associated banks of this city have placed themselves.

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CLEAN MEATS—PURE FOODS
Wichita Falls, Texas

Arguments in Fox Trial.

By United Press.

Waco, Texas, Dec. 16.—Argument began this afternoon in the case of Jim Fox, charged with the murder of Police Officer Frank Glasgow of Hillsboro. The case has been on trial all week, with two hundred witnesses present from that place. In closing

for the State, County Attorney A. M. Frazier of Hill county, asked for a verdict of life sentence or for acquittal, not asking for the death penalty. The case will probably go to the jury finally Tuesday. Glasgow was shot to death on the streets of Hillsboro with a shotgun.

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Change in Ownership

Mooney & Sons have purchased the blacksmith, horse-shoeing, wood-work and general repair shop formerly operated by Mr. Reeves, located on Ohio avenue, near the Alfalfa Lumber Co., and they desire to call the attention of the public to this fact and at the same time solicit their patronage, guaranteeing their work to be first class in every respect.

COURT OF APPEALS AFFIRMS \$35,000 VERDICT FOR INJURIES

By United Press. Dallas, Dec. 16.—One of the biggest damage suits ever affirmed by the Court of Civil Appeals of the Fifth District, was affirmed today. The case was styled W. A. Matkin vs. Texas & Pacific Ry. Co., and was up on an appeal from Wood county. In the accident Matkin lost both of his legs and was awarded \$35,000 damages by the jury. The verdict was awarded on the allegation that had it not been for a defective coupling which forced him to climb between two freight cars

Could Greer County Reover

By United Press. Austin, Texas, Dec. 16.—An unusual suit was filed today in the district court by J. B. Pumphrey and J. M. Kuckentall of Williamson county against the State of Texas. It is to recover the sum of \$4,560 paid over 25 years ago as rental for the lease of 76,000 acres of land in Greer county. Plaintiffs alleged that in 1885 they leased in good faith from what was then known as the state land board, this land for a rental of six cents per acre. That the State claimed jurisdiction over this land as being part of Greer county, but when in fact the State had no claim or jurisdiction to the land and that the land belonged to the territory of Oklahoma. It is shown that the Thirty-Second Legislature made an appropriation of \$6,000 for the purpose of making refunds of land erroneously.

Toland to Speak For Conference of Education.

In the interests of the Conference for Education, Prof. T. L. Toland, superintendent of public schools here, will probably make several addresses this week at different towns on the Fort Worth and Denver Railroad. Chief among these places are Quannah, Childress and Vernon, all three of which have extended him invitation to address their county teachers institutes, which will meet on different dates this week.

Prof. Lee Clark, formerly superintendent of public schools at Iowa Park, is now general agent for the conference, with headquarters in Austin and in case Prof. Toland decides to accept any of the invitations extended him to address the different teachers institutes, he will do so as a representative of Prof. Lee Clark and therefore of the Conference for Education.

SANTA CLAUS WAS KIND TO CONGRESSMEN

By United Press. Washington, Dec. 16.—Santa Claus did valiant work for the member of congress as well as the members themselves today when the urgent deficiency appropriation bill carrying more than \$200,000 to pay representatives and senators per diem claims passed after various attempts to cut down the 20 cents a mile that it is allowed for travelling expenses, was finally adopted by a roll call vote of 159 to 49.

The bill as finally passed carried \$2,269,000 for miscellaneous purposes.

CHAPIN FILES SUIT FOR \$200,000 DAMAGES

By United Press. San Antonio, Texas, Dec. 16.—R. B. Chapin has filed suit against Ed Ross for \$200,000 damages growing out of transactions in connection with the Hidalgo Townsite Company. Chapin, was acquitted Thursday at Victoria, where he was tried charged with murder, growing out of the killing of Oscar J. Roundtree here last year.

CHAMP CLARK PREDICTS GREAT GROWTH IN THE SOUTH

By United Press. New York, Dec. 16.—Champ Clark, speaker of the house, before the Southern Society of New York tonight predicted that the greatest future growth of the country will be in the South. "No region was ever so lavishly dowered by nature," said the speaker. "The physical resources scarcely touched as yet, are practically inexhaustible and the South is so rich that it needs only to be tickled with a hoe to smile with a bounteous harvest."

W.I.L. DEVOTE LIFE TO SOCIALISM

Job Harriman Defeated Candidate for Mayor at Los Angeles Will Give Up Lucrative Law Practice.

By United Press. Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 16.—Job Harriman, recently defeated candidate for mayor of Los Angeles, intends, it was learned tonight, to give up his lucrative law practice and devote the rest of his life to spreading the socialistic doctrine. Harriman's personal fortune is estimated at less than \$20,000 but this will not deter him from taking up what he believes to be his life work.

PAID \$36 INTEREST ON A \$15 LOAN

San Antonio Railroad Man Alleges Loan Company Then Brough About His Discharge—Sues for Damages.

By United Press. San Antonio, Texas, Dec. 16.—Alleging that he had paid \$36 interest on a \$15 loan and again \$72 interest on a similar loan and that the money lending concern was responsible for his discharge as a brakeman of the International & Great Northern Railway, J. F. Fagan today instituted suit for \$30,000 damages against the Dixie Loan Company.

BATTLE OF WORDS OVER SHATTERED HULK OF THE MAINE

By United Press. Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.—A battle of words over the shattered hulk of the Maine between Minority Leader James Mann (Republican, of Illinois), and Representative Sisson (Democrat of Mississippi), disturbed the debate on the urgent deficiency bill in the House late today. Sisson, almost white with rage and chagrin, hurled such hot words at Mann that he almost choked.

A \$300,000 provision for the removal of the wreckage of the Maine from Havana harbor was under consideration. It was understood that the war department officials expressed the purpose to bulkhead the hulk and sink it at sea. Sisson offered an amendment that the wreckage be brought up salvaged and held in the form of relics to partially reimburse the government for its expense.

"It is strange," said Mann, "that the gentleman does not include a provision to sell the bones of the dead sailors who gave up their lives, in order that the government may be reimbursed."

Sisson jumped to his feet and shouted hoarsely at Mann "I may be guilty of a great many indiscretions but I trust I shall never be as brutal as the gentleman from Illinois. The remark is absolutely gratuitous. It emanates evidently from a desire to wound. He should not submit a member to that sort of insult. I have never desired to resent an insult, I have always been ready to take care of myself but the rules of the House will not permit me to do and say those things that I desire to do."

Sisson was interrupted with a storm of applause from the Democratic side but he was in too much earnest to heed and he shouted "If the gentleman from Illinois has any desire to cast any reflection upon me or my motives then I want to say that there are times for such action. I do not think it is becoming in the gentleman to make this sort of insinuation when he is protected by the rules of the House."

Sisson sat down with the Democratic side shouting approval. Mann rising in his place nervously disclaimed any need for the protecting of the rules. Sisson's amendment was defeated and the matter apparently closed.

Miss Lillian Avis, who for the last several months has been a student of Kidd-Key College in Sherman, is expected to return Monday, and will spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Avis on Austin street. She will probably be accompanied by Miss Ethel Fries, also student of Kidd-Key College.



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Coker's injuries were because he had been slung and taken to South America on a steamship from Houston. The case was very sensational and has created much interest. The injuries of Coker have baffled the medical profession.

William Hunt left last night for Ft. Worth, to spend Sunday with friends. Bruce Poor, formerly a resident of this city, but now living in Denver, Colorado, left this morning for Fort Worth, on business. He will return here in a few days, and after a short stay will return to his home in Denver.

Times Embroidery Patterns

CENTERPIECE IN BRAIDING AND EMBROIDERY.
This centerpiece may be done in braiding and embroidery or in embroidery alone.
The edge should be padded and then closely buttonholed. If coronation braid is used, it should be sewed closely along the lines of the leaves, stems and flowers. The centres of the flowers and the dots are done in the solid embroidery and the veining in the outline stitch. If embroidery alone is used, the leaves and flowers should be outlined in the long and short stitch and the stems worked solid.
Mercerized cotton No. 18 will be suitable for the embroidery.



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Sarah Hale Hunter

Story of The Clansman

The story of Thomas Dixon's celebrated drama, "The Clansman," a revival of which will appear in this city on Saturday, December 23, matinee and night at the Wichita Theatre is well known to all theatre-goers. However, in view of the coming engagement of the play, it may be well to mention it.

"The Clansman" is briefly the story of how the descendants of the Scottish clans, living in the South

Carolina hill country, rose up in the year of 1867 and threw off the carpet-bagger yoke. Their agency in effecting this result was the celebrated Ku Klux Klan. The hero of the play, Ben Cameron, is a leader of the Klan. His sweetheart, Elsie Stoneman, is the daughter of an Abolitionist, the organizer of the hated Union League. Here is the interplay of love and hate, of passion and circumstance, in which the dramatist delights.

Elsie's father puts forth every effort to enforce negro domination, and Ben as stoutly resists. The latter, is arrested and clapped in jail by the scalawag white Governor of the State, who is agged on by the mulatto Lieutenant-Governor, Silas Lynch. A Federal Court martial sentences Ben to death. Elsie begs the Lieutenant-Governor to save him. The latter says he will if Elsie will marry him (the mulatto). Elsie faints at the knocking proposal. Stoneman enters and is maddened on learning what his trusted protegee Lynch has done. He has encouraged Lynch about social equality and indeed has told him to

go ahead and marry a white woman; but when he learns Lynch wants his own daughter, that is another story and his rage and disgust are beyond bounds.

Yet Stoneman and his daughter are helpless in the hands of the mulatto. It is the Ku Klux Klan who, headed by the rescued Ben, surround the house, make Lynch a prisoner and free the old man and his daughter. Stoneman at last sees his gigantic mistake in trying to rule the country by carpetbaggers and negroes and in instilling false ideas of social and political equality. He announces that he will make yet another trip to Washington to induce the authorities there to withdraw the Federal troops and allow the Southern people to manage their affairs in their own way. Ben and Elsie are united. A fairer day begins: for that portion of the stricken South, thanks to the high purpose, steadfast courage and heroic achievements of the Ku Klux Klan, "an invisible Empire which within a few months overspread a territory larger than modern Europe, snatched power out of defeat and death, and tore the fruits of victory from twenty million conquerors."

Miss Myrtle Claybrook, who has charge of a school near Bacon Siding, was a visitor here yesterday afternoon. She came in on business.

Will Daniels, a citizen of Burkholder, was a visitor here today.

Isaac Markowitz expects to leave today for Porto Rico, Cuba and Jamaica, where he goes in the interests of the Wichita Mill and Elevator Company, and will be absent from the city for several months.

SELF STYLED DESERTER MADE HIS ESCAPE

Officer Gets Him Nearly to Norfolk Va., When Prisoner Jumped from Rapidly Moving Train.

Alex Simmonds, an Electra officer, returned yesterday afternoon from a trip to Norfolk, Virginia, for which place he recently left with a deserter from the army, Lawrence Aber, by name. Simmonds, expected to turn Aber over to the government officials in Norfolk, after which he expected to receive a reward of fifty dollars. Aber, however, in spite of the fact that he gave himself up, and declared that he was tired of dodging the officers, had other notions in his head. When the train had arrived at a point about one hundred miles from their destination, Aber, said that he wished to go to the back of the car for a short time, and requested the officer to remove his handcuffs so that he would not appear conspicuous.

As Aber had cultivated the good will of Simmonds during the trip and had seemed to be a most model prisoner, Simmonds consented, but immediately changed his mind. However, Aber refused to submit to being handcuffed again, and led the officer a chase through the whole train. At last when the train was rounding a curve and had slowed up a trifle, Aber leaped from a car window and disappeared in the darkness and since that time has been seen no more. Simmonds returned yesterday af-

ternoon, but without the fifty dollar reward which he expected to bring back.

TEXAS LEAGUE MAY DROP OKLA. CITY

By United Press. Dallas, Dec. 16.—That Oklahoma City may be dropped in the meeting to be held in Dallas Sunday morning by Texas League magnates is the rumor circulated. The specific objection to retaining the Indian state city is that the long jump involves large expense and that a cutting down of expenditures should follow some Texas city more centrally located taking its place.

Much doubt is expressed as to whether Wilbur Allen will be re-elected to the presidency. Manager Gardner of the Dallas club has already declared he thinks Allen a practical failure and it is learned other managers are of the same opinion. A tentative schedule for the coming season will be presented by Dock Roberts of Houston Sunday, however, which includes Oklahoma City. It makes the season open April 13, Galveston at Houston, Waco at Dallas, San Antonio at Austin and Oklahoma City at Fort Worth.

Mrs. H. A. Allen is absent from the city in Fort Worth, where she went to be present at the bedside of her son who is seriously ill, and has been so for several weeks.

A. B. Crane, superintendent of public schools at Electra, left this morning, after a short business trip here.

SECRECY SURROUNDS THE INVESTIGATION

By United Press. Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 16.—Secrecy enforced by husky marshals and backed up by discouragingly reticent officials is surrounding the Federal Grand Jury inquiry into the dynamite plot—such a rapart of secrecy that tonight only the jurors, two witnesses and a couple of officials knew just what happened behind the closed doors of the jury room. The evidence examined by the grand jury today was largely documentary. It included a bundle after bundle of letters, taken from the files of the iron workers' union headquarters here and a number of their papers. As a check on these documents, Mrs. Andrew J. Hunt, formerly Miss Edith Weinbender and bookkeeper in John J. McNamara's office was interrogated. Officials have hinted that Mrs. Hunt may have knowledge of the disposition of the so-called "organizing fund" that passed through J. J. McNamara's hands.

Miss Gertrude Orth arrived yesterday afternoon from Kidd-Kay College at Sherman, to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. T. Orth on Tenth street.

Superintendent W. O. Willingham, and Principal J. M. Perkins left yesterday afternoon for their homes in Burkholder, after paying a call to H. A. Fairchild, county superintendent.

PERSONAL MENTION

P. H. Pennington returned yesterday morning from a short business trip to Bowie. George Davis returned last night from a short business trip to Electra, where he has business interests. M. Dobson, a prominent citizen of Burkburnett, was a visitor here yesterday. J. L. Waggoner left yesterday afternoon for Decatur, where he goes on business and will visit relatives during his stay there. Rev. T. R. Bowles left yesterday afternoon for Mabledean, where he will deliver a sermon this morning and tonight. Lee Hollingsworth arrived here yesterday from his home in Childress and while in the city was the guest of friends. Sam Huggins, of Amarillo, who for several days has been here visiting friends, left for his home yesterday afternoon. H. O. Cravens is absent from the city on business combined with a pleasure trip to Mexia, Texas. During his stay there he will be the guest of relatives. J. H. Huggins, formerly a resident of this city, but now living in Grandfield, Okla., arrived here yesterday afternoon on business, and will remain for several days as the guest of friends. August Bevering, a prosperous farmer from the Charlie community, and one of the largest cotton planters in that vicinity, was a visitor here yesterday. He came on business. Pete Jackson, deputy marshal, and S. Walkup, constable at Electra, left last night after having placed a prisoner in the county jail here, charged with the unlawful peddling of liquor on the streets of Electra. Mayor T. B. Noble returned yesterday afternoon from a business trip of several days duration over the Southern part of the state. During his absence from this city he visited San Antonio, Austin, Houston, and several other places. B. F. Suter arrived here yesterday afternoon from his home in Randlett, Okla. Mr. Suter is an old time resident of this city, but has been living in Randlett for the last year or more. He comes here on business. David W. Bradley arrived here yesterday afternoon from his home in Rochester, Minn., from which place he comes to spend some time with his son, J. W. Bradley, and may probably decide to remain throughout the winter. E. M. Mittman, a draughtsman in the offices of the Wichita Falls Route, returned yesterday afternoon from Newcastle, where he has been for several days on company business. He was accompanied on the trip by W. W. Burkes, a stenographer in the engineering department. W. A. McCutcheon, for many years a prominent citizen here, but now living in Denver, Colo., where he is president of a bank, passed through here this afternoon en route to Fort Worth, where he goes on business, and will return for a short stay here in a few days.

Dr. Brown, Dentist, Room 306, Kemp & Kell Building, Phone 879.

Advertisement for Dr. J. W. DuVal, Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat specialist, located at the First National Bank Building.

Geo. W. Eagle has purchased what is known as the Tenth street grocery store from Mr. Patterson, and will continue to conduct the business at the old stand. He will have with him Mr. Tom Arnett, who at one time conducted the business. Mr. Eagle was formerly engaged in the grain and coal business in this city having retired about two years ago. He will be glad to meet his friends at his new place of business.

Postmaster O. T. Bacon has received a letter from Charles P. Grandfield, first assistant postmaster general at Washington, stating that the postoffice here had been allowed an additional carrier, and an additional mail clerk for the Christmas holidays. These additions will be made at once, so that the postoffice force can handle the Christmas mail to the best advantage during the holidays.

Word was received late last night that the Misses Orvetta Wyatt and Mabelle Clopton, who for the last several months have been attending school in Lockport, New York, and who it was thought would not be home during the Christmas holidays, have changed their minds, and after all will spend the holidays in Wichita Falls.

Local News Brevities

Dr. Du Val, Eye, Ear, Nose, Throat. That The Times classified advertising column is the greatest medium for reaching the people in Northwest Texas is shown in reports that come to the office every day. The first of the week Mr. J. B. Fassett put in a three-line ad offering some furnished rooms for rent. The first day after publication he had twelve answers and the following day, two more making in all fourteen answers to one three-line ad.

Dr. Prothro, Dentist, Suite No. 1, Ward Building. E. H. Chaplin, chief clerk of the Ft. Worth and Denver at Electra, was in the city today on business.

Dr. M. R. Garrison, Dentist, office First National Bank Bldg. Phone 49.

The front of the Wren & Berry show house on Indiana avenue is nearing completion. The electricians are putting in lights around the facade and wiring in all circuits necessary to the successful operation of the moving pictures.

Mr. C. A. Randall who has been a resident of Wichita Falls for several years, will leave tomorrow for Terry, Texas, at which place he will reside.

Clark Jewell gas sook stoves. 185-2c. WICHITA HARDWARE CO.

Some of the nice Plated Bath Room trimmings that we are displaying in our windows would be a good investment for Christmas purchasers. 185-2c. WICHITA HARDWARE CO.

Marriage license issued yesterday to Elra Morgan of Wichita Falls and Miss Cora White of Wichita Falls.

Read our special bargain sale ad, it will pay you to attend them. We offer something new at a bargain price every day. 185-2c. WICHITA HARDWARE CO.

W. H. Duffy, secretary of the Wichita Falls Union No. 4 of the Bricklayers, has been elected a delegate to the International Union meeting which convenes in St. Joe, Mo., and will leave in a few days to be present at the meeting.

Rev. P. E. Burroughs arrived yesterday afternoon from Nashville, Tenn., and will remain for several days as the guest of his sister, Mrs. R. E. Huff on Brook street.

Advertisement for Drug Store Xmas Gifts, featuring an illustration of people shopping and a list of holiday goods.

Marchman's Drug Store is the place to buy nice New Presents. We have the largest stock of holiday goods in Wichita Falls. Call and see us. O. F. MARCHMAN 708 INDIANA AVENUE FREE DELIVERY PHONE 174

Advertisement for The Palace Drug Store's 'LAST WEEK OF OUR GREAT RAZOR SALE'. It lists various razor brands and prices, including safety razors and razor strops.

Advertisement for 'WE HAVE MOVED' by FRIEZE & PEERY, announcing a move to the First National Bank building.

Advertisement for 'PLANT MORE FEEDSTUFF' by AN ACRE TO EACH HEAD OF LIVE STOCK IS SLOGAN OF WICHITA COUNTY FARMERS.

Advertisement for 'ON THE COTTON ACREAGE' by Farmers, Declaring if More Feedstuff is Planted This Will Take Care of Itself.

Advertisement for 'FREE-BRIN FURNITURE CO.' by UNDERTAKERS and EMBALMERS, listing services and contact information.

Advertisement for 'MUSICIAN'S CLUB' by The regular weekly meeting of the Musician's Club was held Thursday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. R. E. Huff on Brook street.

Advertisement for 'OUR STERLING SILVER SETS' by A. C. THOMPSON CO., Jewelers, located at 709 Ohio Avenue.

Advertisement for 'SNEPP FINDS A CHANGE IN FEELING' by Farmers Along the Wichita Falls Route Jubilant Since the Recent Rains.

Advertisement for 'THE ACME OF PERFECTION IN CANDY MAKING' by ALLEGRETTI, located at the Palace Drug Store.

Advertisement for 'MCCLENNAN COUNTY FARMERS ORGANIZE' by United Press, Waco, Texas, Dec. 16.

Advertisement for 'THE CARPENTER MOTOR COMPANY' featuring a Flanders '20' Fore-Door Five-Passenger 3 speed touring car.

Large advertisement for 'HOLIDAY SPECIALS' listing various clothing items like neckwear, bath robes, muffs, and gloves with their respective prices.

Advertisement for 'KAHN'S CORRECT DRESS FOR MEN AND WOMEN' offering 'FREE DELIVERY TO ALL PARTS OF THE CITY'.

Advertisement for 'OUR STERLING SILVER SETS' by A. C. THOMPSON CO., highlighting the quality and variety of their silverware.

Advertisement for 'THE ACME OF PERFECTION IN CANDY MAKING' by ALLEGRETTI, emphasizing the originality and quality of their candy.

Advertisement for 'MCCLENNAN COUNTY FARMERS ORGANIZE' by United Press, reporting on the formation of a permanent organization.

Advertisement for 'THE CARPENTER MOTOR COMPANY' showcasing a Flanders '20' touring car and providing contact information.

Large advertisement for 'Who Can Beat It?' coffee by O. W. BEAN & SON, featuring a testimonial from Mrs. H. C. Luecke and the slogan 'Who Can Beat It?'.

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WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS

GO TO PEACE CONFERENCE

TANG SHAO YI, WITH EIGHTY ATTENDANTS ON WAY TO MEET REVOLUTIONARY LEADERS AT SHANGHAI.

END OF MANCHU DYNASTY

Revolutionary Leaders Will Demand That Manchus Be Merged With Chinese.

Shanghai, Dec. 16.—Tang Shao Yi, Imperial plenipotentiary appointed by Premier Yuan Shi Kai to negotiate terms of peace with the victorious revolutionists is to arrive in Shanghai early on Sunday. Four representatives of Gen. Li Yen-Heng, the revolutionary leader, are traveling in the same boat with Tang Shao Yi. The revolutionists are determined to demand that the dynasty be brought to a close and that the Manchus as a class can be merged with the Chinese together with their dependencies. Tang Shao Yi is accompanied by a suite of assistants and personal servants numbering about eighty. The party is making the voyage on the chartered river boat Tung Ting, from Hankow. On their arrival they will have traveled 800 miles along the River Yang Tse Kiang, which is patrolled by a score of revolutionary cruisers and gunboats. They will have passed under the guns of a dozen well fortified forts and will have touched numerous towns in possession of and governed by revolutionaries. Tang Shao Yi will not have seen an Imperial soldier of yellow flag, since he left Hankow.

Included in the party are two prominent officials, Yen Shi Si, of the board of finances, and Yang Shi Chi, former president of the board of communication, who will act as counselors at

the peace conference. He also has with him 22 representatives of different provinces of China, who've been selected to offset the revolutionary convention now sitting at Nanking.

RAILROAD WILL OBSERVE HOLIDAYS

Superintendent Sullivan of the Wichita Falls Route has issued a bulletin stating that Christmas and New Years' Days will be observed by the railroad company as legal holidays. The bulletin follows: Monday, December 25th, Christmas Day, and Monday, January 1st, New Years' Day, will be observed as legal holidays, and all work will be suspended on these days, that is not absolutely necessary. Shops will be closed down and as much reduction in track department and bridge and building department will be made as can be consistent with safety. Train service will be curtailed to the minimum, local freight trains will be run on all divisions and will handle local freight and full tonnage, but will do only what switching is absolutely necessary.

NEBRASKA FAVORS WOODROW WILSON

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 17.—The Woodrow Wilson boom, in Nebraska has taken shape and, supported by the most important Democrats of the State, the "Wilson League" is pledging its members to carry the presidential primary for the New Jersey governor. Nebraska will be the first state in the Union to instruct its presidential delegation and for that reason a special effort will be made to have this state endorse Wilson's candidacy. The delegation in this statewide primary at which every

Democrat can vote. The state convention simply construct the platform for the candidates and has nothing to do with appointing the delegation to the national convention. The date upon which the primary is held is fixed by law and this date is so early in the year that Nebraska Democrats will have already instructed the delegation before any other state holds a convention.

Harmon boomers, too, are seeking the support of the Democracy of the state, but whereas the Harmon boom is a "made" affair the Wilson sentiment is altogether spontaneous. The committee of seventy-five, which has charge of Governor Wilson's interests in Omaha, includes J. J. Sullivan, formerly supreme court judge; C. J. Smythe, formerly attorney general; I. J. Dunn, who placed William J. Bryan in nomination at the Denver convention; P. E. McKillop, formerly Democratic nominee for Congress; Lee Gerdman, personal friend of W. J. Bryan; Herbert Daniel, United States commissioner and Jeremiah Howard, a member of the state legislature. The list is not one of office seekers and small politicians, but contains the names of some of the most influential and solid business men of the city. The president is J. W. Woodbrough, a widely known attorney and never an office-seeker.

Out in the state the members of the Wilson League are of just the same calibre as compose the Omaha branch. The county committees are made up of men who do things. It is the intention of the league to place a committee in every precinct in the state and before January 1 this will be done.

Wilson's candidacy has been well received by the Democratic press in Nebraska, and at present twenty-two newspapers are supporting him. This number is being added to right along. The Omaha World-Herald, the leading Democratic newspaper in the state is neither supporting nor fighting Wilson, but speaks very favorably of his candidacy.

NEW PASTOR HAS BEGUN HIS WORK



Rev. J. E. Coe, the new pastor of the First M. E. Church, corner of Seventh and Lamar streets, has begun his work with an energy and a spirit that promises his pastorate here will be very successful and productive of good results.

Rev. Coe was born and raised in Kansas and is a graduate of Baker University and Drew Theological Seminary at Madison, New Jersey. He entered the active ministry in 1898 and worked two years and a half in Topeka, when he was transferred to the Demolines Conference in Iowa. He filled four pastorates there and a few weeks ago was transferred from Harlan, Iowa to Wichita Falls by Bishop Quayle at the last session of the Austin conference.

We especially invite the city people who wish to give dinner parties to call 880, the Westland. 171-179

Half Million Dollar Necklace As a Christmas Present

New York, Dec. 16.—Of all the Christmas gifts that will gladden the hearts of the women this year, it is safe to say that none will be quite so wonderful or costly as the one-half million-dollar pearl necklace that Judge Elbert H. Gary has given to his wife. It isn't exactly a Christmas present, since part of it has been in Mrs. Gary's possession for some time. But then it takes on a real Christmas spirit any way, through the fact that it was not until just a few days ago that the last pearls to complete the ornament were found and strung.

It is a beautiful rope of pearls graduating from the center one, almost the size of a cherry, to the small ones at the ends, which are joined by a splendid diamond and emerald clasp. It is perhaps as valuable a single strand as can be found.

The necklace falls from around Mrs. Gary's neck in a loop to below her bosom. There are a few more than one hundred pearls in the string and each one is absolutely perfect—a rare thing, as lovers of them know.

The beginning of the present necklace was with one far more modest several years ago. Both Judge and Mrs. Gary are very fond of pearls and so they gave themselves over to the pleasant hobby of collecting them, including their choice to such as would look best in a necklace.

As the collection grew the pearls they wanted grew increasingly difficult to find, because of the unusually large size which was required to match up with the big ones in the center. Two years ago a large number were added to the necklace by purchase in Paris and this year the gaps were finally filled through New York shops. Half a million dollars is said to be a conservative estimate, one Fifth Avenue jeweler making the statement yesterday that it was easily worth \$600,000.

In figuring this price there is taken into account the manner in which the pearls are matched, their size and their perfection.

Mr. Gary is the chairman of the board of directors and chairman of the finance committee of the United States Steel Corporation. His fortune has been variously estimated at from 5 million to 50 million dollars, one who knows him well putting it at the latter sum.

Both he and Mrs. Gary are unostentatious and do not go in for society in the common acceptance of the word. They like their associates to be distinguished more for culture and intellect than for money or position. Both of them are charitably inclined and privately support several institutions. Mrs. Gary is his second wife.

First M. E. Church, (Corner Seventh and Lamar)

The regular Sabbath services will be held, Sunday school at 10:00 a. m., preaching by the pastor at 11:00 a. m., subject, "Some Thoughts on Prayer." Epworth League at 5:30 p. m., followed by the evening preaching service at 7:30 p. m., subject, "Why Serve God?" Everyone will be given a cordial welcome to all of these services. The pastor's residence for a few months will be at 1401 Lamar and he will be glad to receive callers.

Rev. W. F. Frey, former pastor of the First Baptist church here, now president of Simmons College at Abilene, stopped off for a few hours today, while en route to Anson where he preaches tomorrow. Rev. Frey is beloved by the people of the Baptist church here and admired and respected by all. Simmons college of which he is the head is flourishing and is taking a high rank among the smaller colleges.

THE RUSSIANS ARE SENSITIVE

THREATEN TO BREAK FRIENDLY RELATIONS WITH U. S. IF SULZER RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED.

THE AMBASSADOR PROTESTS

Extreme Reticence of All Concerned Makes Details Difficult to Obtain.

By Associated Press.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.—What, in diplomatic language, is interpreted as practically a threat by Russia to sever all friendly relations with the United States in event that Congress goes ahead with the plan to abrogate the treaty of 1832 with that country, has been made to President Taft and Secretary of State Knox by the Russian Ambassador, George Bakhmeteff.

Mr. Bakhmeteff protested against the Sulzer resolution for the abrogation of the treaty on the ground that its final adoption would be inconsistent with the long friendship that has existed between the United States and Russia. Owing to the reticence of all concerned in negotiations, it was impossible to learn today the exact nature of the protest. It is believed however to have been directed principally against the language of the Sulzer resolution, which boldly declares that Russia has violated the terms of the treaty of 1832. When told this, Mr. Sulzer, chairman of the House Committee on Foreign Relations, declared he saw nothing insulting "to sensitive Russia" in his resolution and believed it would go through the Senate without modification.



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Mrs. W. Heard, of Devo, Okla., is here as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Murph, of 1408 Tenth street.

Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Bacon have presented as a Christmas present to the Christian Church, a handsome individual communion service, which will be used in the church ceremonies.

Mrs. Parker, of Iowa Park, was the week end guest of Miss Maud Lightsey, on Tenth street.

Mrs. W. G. McGuire and daughter, Miss Ina, arrived here Wednesday afternoon from their home in Mangum, Okla., and spent a day or so as the guest of Mrs. T. R. Orth on Tenth street. Mrs. McGuire, accompanied by her daughter, left Thursday afternoon for Mineral Wells, where they will remain for several weeks in the hope of improving Ina's health before they return to Mangum.

"Rum" Was Played. Mrs. W. M. McGregor was hostess at a small party Thursday afternoon, when "rum," the popular new game was played. There were two tables of players and after a very interesting series of games was played delicious refreshments of chicken salad olives, potato chips and wafers and chocolate were served. Those present were: Mrs. Gates, Mrs. Bruce Smith, Mrs. Sherrod, Mrs. Thompson, Miss Lucille Sherrod, Mrs. J. W. Du Val, Mrs. W. B. Shepperd and Mrs. C. B. Toney.

Rebekahs Elect Officers. Monday afternoon the Wichita Rebekah Lodge met in regular session and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Mrs. C. Q. Halbert, Noble Grand. Mrs. W. L. Dillard, Vice Grand. Mrs. W. M. Newman, Treasurer. Mrs. W. P. Brooks, Secretary. Mrs. W. B. Robinson was elected delegate to the Grand Lodge in 1912, and Mrs. Salena Hammond was named as alternate. Mrs. Sullivan of Arkansas also gave a very interesting address at this meeting which was one of the most interesting in the history of the organization.

Friday Afternoon Bridge Club. The Friday Afternoon Bridge Club met with Mrs. Frank Blair on 11th street this week and ten members of the club were present. Mrs. Wiley Blair made the highest score. A one-course luncheon was served. Those present were: Mesdames Wiley Blair, Bruce Smith, Fred Gates, C. W. Snider, T. T. Reece, Sherrod, C. C. Huff and the Misses Lucille Sherrod and Ethel Cobb, and Mrs. Frank Blair, the hostess.

New Century Club. The New Century Club met Wednesday afternoon at three o'clock at the home of Mrs. Claud Montgomery on Tenth street, and a majority of the club members were present. The subjects of discussion were "New York and New Orleans," and a number of papers containing information concerning these cities were read. Delicious refreshments in the nature of marshmallow pudding, coffee, and cake, were served to those present. The club then adjourned to meet again next January with Mrs. T. T. Reece on Burnett street. Those who answered to the roll call

Wednesday afternoon were the Mesdames, Minnie May Adickes, C. W. Beavers, S. H. Burnside, J. A. Farris, J. W. Lee, T. T. Reece, T. L. Toland, J. C. Guest, C. W. Snider, Wm. McGorger and Miss Dora Coons, in addition to Mrs. Claud Montgomery, the hostess.

Free Band Concert. In spite of the winter months the Wichita Concert Band continues to hold their Sunday concerts on the band stand in the court house yard. The weather has been very favorable the last few concerts and good crowds are attending. The following is the program for this afternoon at 3:30 p. m., B. P. Boyer, director: "Circus Maximus" march—Samuels. "Frollic" overture—Hyde. "Little Coquette" (characteristic)—Flath. "When I Woke Up this Morning"—Coogan. Rossini's Medley Selection—Alford. Coronation March—Meyerbur. "Enchantment" waltz—Peters. "Pride of the Parade" march—McFall.

Meeting of Unity Club. Mrs. J. A. Kemp, entertained the Unity Club Friday afternoon beginning at 3 o'clock at the Kemp residence on Indiana avenue, for her daughter, Mrs. Newton Maer. Mrs. J. D. Anderson presided at the meeting. The club is now preparing to take up a study of Anthony and Cleopatra and with this object in view, the meeting Friday afternoon was given over to the reading of papers on Egypt by different members of the club. Among those who read interesting papers on that subject were: Mrs. Wiley Robertson, Mrs. J. C. Hunt, Mrs. Berney, Mrs. J. T. Montgomery and Mrs. H. B. Patterson. After all of the papers had been read and other business had been done away with, refreshments were served and the club adjourned to meet again with Mrs. J. T. Montgomery on Tenth street after the Christmas holidays.

Civic League Meeting. The ladies of the Civic League met Thursday afternoon with Mrs. A. Zundelwitz, on Lamar avenue and some important business came up before the meeting.

Among other things the fact that Mrs. O. B. Colquitt had sent ten thousand Red Cross seals to Mrs. Boger, president of the Civic League, with a request that that number be disposed of in this city during the Christmas holidays, was discussed and acted upon. The League decided to undertake the task of disposing of these Red Cross seals, and committees were appointed by the president, she having been given authority to do so by Mrs. Colquitt, and these committees will take personal charge of the disposal of the Red Cross seals. The Mesdames J. A. Kemp, Minnie May Adickes, Wiley Wyatt, C. W. Snider, H. O. Craven, R. E. Huff, G. D. Anderson, Ed R. List and Mrs. T. R. Boger are the members of the committee which will have active charge of the Red Cross work, and a campaign will be inaugurated at once by means of which it is hoped to be able to place Wichita Falls on the

honor list among the cities of this state, an event which can only happen through the disposal of the ten thousand Red Cross seals here. Slides to be shown in several moving picture shows and perhaps in the opera house for the purpose of demonstrating the need of such work, are expected to arrive in a few days when they will be shown for the benefit of the public and much good is expected to be accomplished in this way.

The Civic League also discussed measures by means of which the City Park can be improved, and upon a motion it was decided to thoroughly go through the details of the matter at another meeting.

Mrs. Boger, who attended the State Federation of Women's Clubs, which recently met in Houston, made a report on the proceedings of that meeting, which report was given careful attention.

It was also decided to keep open house New Year's day, but the exact place was not determined and will be announced at a later date. Refreshments were served, after which the League adjourned.

A Dinner Party. Mrs. T. T. Reece assisted her mother, Mrs. M. L. Reid Tuesday evening in entertaining a few of County Clerk W. A. Reid's friends who were together last summer in Colorado.

A course dinner was served, the table being beautifully decorated with carnations, one of which was presented to each guest as a favor. A cut glass vase of carnations on a mirrored platen surrounded by smilax was especially attractive as a decoration feature, besides which, the whole house was made beautiful by clusters of carnations tastefully arranged. After dinner has been served, the guests adjourned to the parlor, where reminiscences of last summer spent in Colorado were related by all present.

Those present at the dinner included Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Montgomery, Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Reece, Mrs. A. Darnell, A. H. Brittain, David P. Talley and E. W. Pyle, in addition to Mrs. C. E. Reid, the hostess, and Walter Reid, the honoree.

Five Hundred Party. Mrs. Lee Smith, assisted by Mrs. Binford, entertained a few of her friends with a Five Hundred party at her home on Ninth street Wednesday afternoon, from three until five o'clock.

There were sixteen ladies present and four tables were used as playing boards. Mrs. M. M. Murray, in a cut after the games had been finished won the favor of the afternoon. Refreshments in the form of a salad course were served.

The house was tastefully decorated for the occasion with varieties of Christmas colors, and Christmas cards were distributed to each guest. The following ladies were present: The Mesdames Wm. McGregor, J. W. DuVal, O. T. Bacon, Alex Kahn, C. P. Moore, of Petrolia; Harry Mae Happy Day, M. M. Murray, C. B. Toney, Harry Bolding, W. W. Little, Frank Cullinan, Luedan Witt, Mike Walker, Harry Obenstein, and Mrs. Binford, who assisted Mrs. Lee, the hostess in the entertainment of the guests.

Sewing Circle. Thursday afternoon beginning at 3 o'clock, the ladies of the Sewing Circle met at the home of Mrs. J. P. Pressley on 11th street, where the last meeting which will be held this year took place, and it proved to be a most interesting one.

Following the usual custom of the society, needle work was the entertainment of the afternoon, and ever, member present brought her sewing and between stitches conversation was indulged in. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Pressley, assisted by Miss Lena Gardner, a salad course having been prepared.

What probably made this patriotic meeting one of the most interesting, which has been held this year was a "grab bag," from which each person present drew something, and the article drawn was then presented to that person as a Christmas gift. The bag had been filled with different works of art, sewing, etc., such as sofa pillows, painted pictures, china and the like, a lot of which were made at their homes by the several members of the club for distribution as Christmas presents at this meeting.

The club then adjourned to meet again after the Christmas holidays with Miss Lena Gardner on Tenth street. The following ladies were present: Mesdames Jud Pressley, Claud Montgomery, J. O. McDowell, Charles Hartsook, M. J. Gardner and the hostess.

Reception at the Baptist Church. A church-reception from 7:30 until 10 o'clock was given at the First Baptist Church on Tenth street Thursday evening for the purpose of welcoming all of the new members who had joined during the Ham revival meeting.

A large crowd was present and addresses were made by Rev. J. P. Boone, the pastor, R. E. Huff, H. A. Fairchild, F. E. Barr, W. H. Wright and Mrs. W. H. Davis. All of these talks were made in such a manner that the new members would feel welcome, and the addresses were enjoyed by all present.

During the progress of the evening the Men's Alliance, and the Woman's Alliance elected their officers and division leaders for the coming year. The following officers were chosen

for the Men's Alliance: President, H. A. Fairchild; Vice President, Dr. R. C. Smith; Secretary, Burton Stanton; Treasurer, I. A. Farris; Division Leaders, Dr. J. S. Nelson, C. J. Barnard, W. W. Brown, George Lawler, J. L. Jackson, F. C. Barrow and Chas. McKeenan.

The officers and division leaders for the Woman's Alliance were also chosen and are: President, Mrs. W. L. Robertson; Vice President, Mrs. W. H. Davis; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Chas. McKeenan; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. A. B. Maples; Treasurer, Mrs. J. H. Martin; Treasurer of Benevolences, Mrs. I. A. Farris; Auditor, Mrs. F. C. Barrow; Division Leaders, Mrs. H. A. Fairchild, Mrs. J. L. Jackson, Mrs. J. P. Boone, Mrs. J. B. Walker, Mrs. C. W. Roundtree, Mrs. J. D. Pressley, Mrs. J. W. Clasbey, Mrs. T. M. Smyre.

The meeting was in every way a success, and over one hundred and twenty new members have been welcomed into the church as a direct result of the Ham revival meeting.

Art Literature Club. Owing to the illness of the press reporter, due credit was not given the faithful few who braved the elements and met with Mrs. Filgo on November 29th. Every paper was brought up in excellent form. These were: Egyptian Decorations; the use of color and geometric ornament; natural and symbolic motions, by Miss Childers.

Chaldean and Assyrian Decoration; characteristic designs and their origin, by Mrs. Harris. Greek Decoration; the Anthenian Icaranthus Leaf and other motives, Miss Ward. Greek Vases, by Mrs. Kahn. Those present reported having enjoyed these papers and later the delightful refreshments served by the hostess.

On December 5th the club held its last meeting for the year with Mrs. E. Smith. Music was provided by Mrs. Hartsook and the following papers were read: Pompeian Wall Decoration, and its modern Revival, Mrs. Seelinger. Byzantine Ornament, the Catacombs and their art, Mrs. Bean. Motives: Significance and Treatment—the cross, palm, dove, peacock and vine, Mrs. Harris.

Mrs. Gebhard sent in her resignation as president of the club on account of continued ill health, which was accepted, and Mrs. H. G. Harris was unanimously elected to fill the vacancy. Mrs. Lee Smith was elected to fill Mrs. Harris' unexpired term as secretary.

The meeting was then turned over to the hostess and a lovely informal time was enjoyed over the dainty refreshments provided. The next meeting will be held January 2nd with Miss Seelinger.

Chafing Dish Party. A chafing dish party was given Friday evening by the Misses Lavinia Landle and Kate McSpadden at the home of Rev. and Mrs. J. P. Boone, 108 Tenth street.

The feature of the evening was the making of fudge and divinity, which years of candys have achieved so much fame during the last few years. An evening thoroughly enjoyed by all present was the unanimous verdict of the Misses Lizzie Lawler, Lela Simmons, Lavinia Landle, Kate McSpadden and the Messrs. Marvin Smith, Lawrence Steel, George Wilson, Cliff Gibson and John W. Thomas.

Birthday Party. Mrs. Wiley Blair gave her son, Edwin Foster, a birthday party Friday evening in honor of his tenth birthday, a few of the children of the neighborhood being invited.

Many games which young children enjoy were played, including "Pin the Tail on the Donkey," "Winkum," Clapp in and Clapp Out, and several others. Refreshments were served, and all present enjoyed themselves immensely and many declared that he time for departure came all too soon.

Those present were: Misses Dell, Cecila and Sadie Adickes, Louise and Agnes Leacham, Gladys Kell, Lucille Smith, Wilmoth Filgo, Helen Snider, Plata Huff, Lois Morgan, Sibby Kell, Mary Blair and Lillian and Edith Berney and the young folks, Jimmy Blair, Claud Montgomery, Henry and Earrest Robert, Oliver Morgan, Carol Stampfl, Lillian Blair, George Filgo, Homer Toland, Robert Statton and Wells Smith.

Y. W. C. A. Bazaar. The ladies of the Y. W. C. A., as was advertised in this paper, held their year Friday and Saturday in the quarters of that organization in the Kemp and Kell building on 8th street, and a most successful sale was the result of the bazaar.

On account of the inclemency of the weather during last Friday and Saturday, when the streets were in such a condition that many who probably intended to buy Christmas goods at this bazaar were unable to do so, the ladies have decided to continue the sale during next week, and the booths will therefore be restocked in anticipation of the demand for their goods at this sale which will begin Monday morning.

The booth system was found to be very successful, and the attractive decorations were admired by many. Even a larger amount of money than was expected was taken in by the ladies as a result of their bazaar Friday and yesterday, and this money will be devoted towards paying the expenses of the organization in this city.

Clearance Sale Ladies' Coat Suits

Beginning To-morrow Morning Promptly at 8 O'clock. We will Place on Sale Thirty-Five Ladies' Coat Suits at Just One-Half Regular Price.

They are not the best of styles, but extraordinary good values at these prices. Good run of sizes, and also a very good line of colors, come early tomorrow morning, the sale will continue until the entire 35 suits are sold. In this lot are Suits Marked at \$35.00, \$30.00, \$25.00, \$20.00, \$17.50, \$15.00 and \$12.50. Come down early tomorrow morning and take choice of the lot at exactly ONE-HALF REGULAR PRICE.

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- \$20.00 New Coat Suits reduced to \$14 98
- \$18.50 New Coat Suits reduced to \$13 98
- \$17.50 New Coat Suits reduced to \$13 75
- \$13.50 New Coat Suits reduced to \$9 98
- \$12.50 New Coat Suits reduced to \$8 98

Clearing Sale Ladies' One Piece Dresses

ONE LOT GOING IN THE BIG SALE AT HALF PRICE. Last year's styles, but good values at half original prices.

- \$9.50 Ladies' One-piece Dresses each \$4 75
- \$10.00 Ladies' One-piece Dresses each \$5 00
- \$12.50 Ladies' One-piece Dresses each \$6 25
- \$15.00 Ladies' One-piece Dresses each \$7 50
- \$17.50 Ladies' One-piece Dresses each \$8 75
- \$18.00 Ladies' One-piece Dresses each \$9 00
- \$22.50 Ladies' One-piece Dresses each \$11 25

One Lot Ladies' Skirts Worth up to \$15.00 each \$5.00

Just 46 in the lot; regular price on these Skirts were \$7.70, \$8.50, \$9.50, \$10.00, \$11.50, \$12.50, \$13.50 and \$15.00. All last season's styles, good run of sizes, mostly panama and serge, attend this sale tomorrow and take choice of the 46 skirts at only each \$5 00

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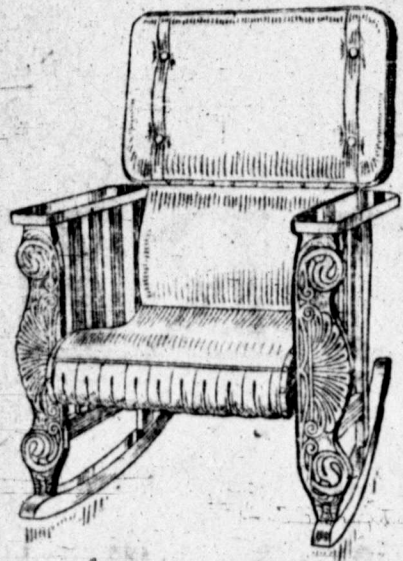


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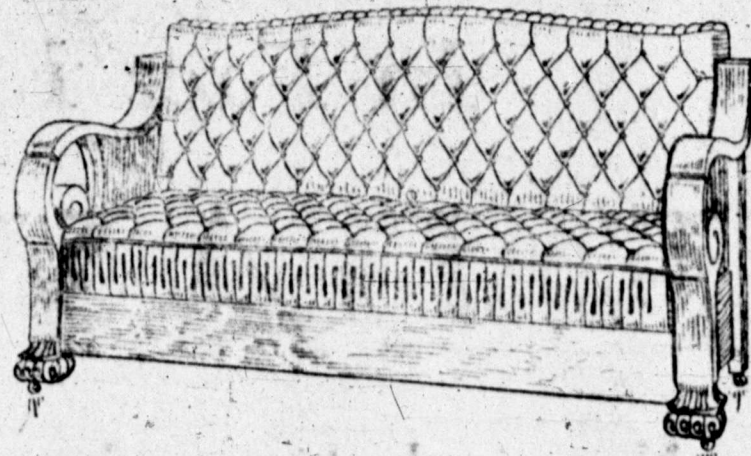
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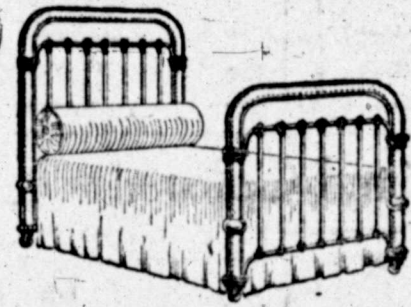
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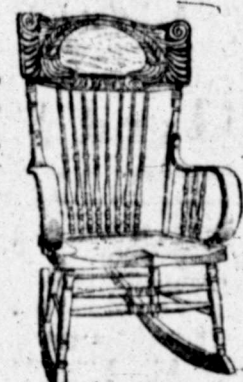
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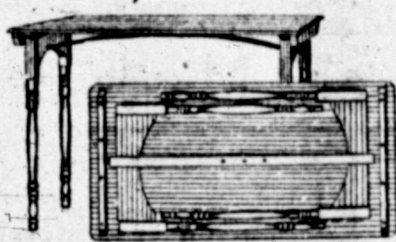
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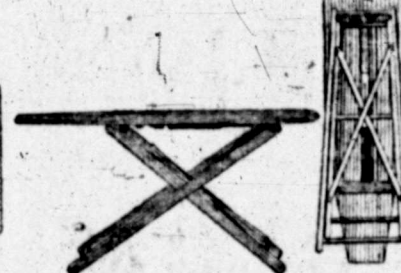
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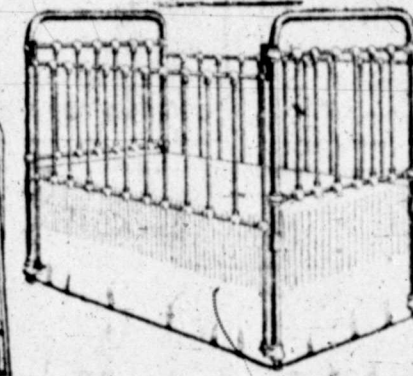
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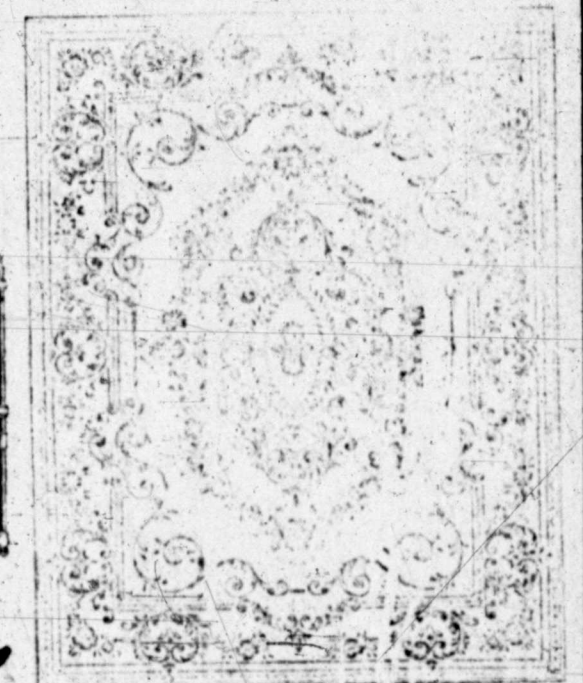
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New York, December 16.—Three-piece costumes are very much in vogue this season, but there is also a great demand for one-piece frocks, which are more appropriate for wear under a fur or other separate coat than a three-piece costume. The fashionable shops display many attractive models of one-piece frocks, for both morning and afternoon wear.

Serge, broadcloth, channeuse, silk, cashmere, silk serge, velvet, gen, corduroy, even the heavier woolsens such as satine are used for the short one-piece frothing frock. At the recent Horse Show a good looking young woman of extremely slender figure wore effectively an unusual frock of black plush made pipstent straightness and severity. It buttoned all the way down the front, was slightly short in waist and had its waist line marked only by a cord or piping of the plush. There was a little collar, edged narrowly by black lynx, turning away from a gumpie and frill of yellowed fine lace. The sleeve was bordered by fur and there was a wide band of the black lynx on the bottom. With this was worn a big black hat trimmed in natural gorrah and an enormous scarf of lynx which was wide enough and long enough to answer the purpose of a coat in connection with so heavy a frock.

Charming one-piece frocks in black silk of one kind or another are still very good from for wear under fur coats, and these are usually relieved by some meer touch of bright color, the cleverness with which this relief note is introduced having much to do with the success of the frock. It is in this sort of thing that the French are peculiarly gifted and it is in this

that our domestic model is very likely to fall even in copies of imported frocks, unless the manufacturer brings over the materials with which to make an exact reproduction.

One-piece-frocks of the heavier woolens seem too thick for comfort in steam heated houses, though comfortable enough for outdoor wear in wintry weather. Many of them have the wool so combined with satine or chiffon that there is not excessive weight about the upper part of the bodice or the sleeves. Big white collars of satine or cloth are used on many of the models in dark or neutral wool and though this idea has been sadly commonized it gives a most delightful effect if cleverly developed.

Among the three-piece suits, the separate blouse, is of course, exceedingly important and the blouse with peplum of some sort is one of the most interesting developments along this line, a mode which promises a considerable vogue in the spring. The peplum blouse is shown in all degrees of elegance, from the simple morning blouse for taller make wear to the lovely and costly creation of chiffon and lace built up to accompany the elaborate afternoon costume, and the part of the blouse falling below the girdle varies greatly in size, shape and importance.

It is always comparatively short but it differs radically from the tiny frill below a very high-waisted girdle, which was the first tentative movement toward this sort of thing in ballroom. Frequently the peplum is merely a rounded or pointed tab in front, appearing not at all on the sides and in the back; or perhaps it is in evidence both in the front and in the back, but

not at the sides. In some cases a wide panel or entire front of lace or embroidered net is continued below the waist to form a rectangular tab reaching quite across the front of the skirt. Arrangements of this kind over silk blouse handomely embroidered and with the peplum tab of the embroidered silk continuing the design of an embroidered front.

A flat fichu collar of lace girdled at the front, normal waist line or a little above and so disposed as to form a single point below the girdle is used on some of the imported frocks and the same idea has been developed by blouse designers, but handsomely embroidered fine net seems a great favorite with these designers for the dressy type of peplum blouse, as the plainer net is for tailored blouse purposes.

Plain and striped velvets are being featured prominently among the semi-tailored and tailored costumes. Two-piece suits and the favorite one-piece afternoon frock of velvet will have a place in every fashionable woman's wardrobe. Suits of plain one-tone velvet, or striped velvets showing tones, trimmed with fur of elaborately braided, are very much in evidence. Some of the smartest of these have high collars that close about the throat in military effect, and these are often finished with a big revers on one side of the front.

The large shops carry large assortments of separate blouses in all the popular shades and colors that are found in high-grade suitings and it is comparatively easy to find a blouse matching in color and material either coat or skirt. The designs are admirable, even in the cheaper waists.

Black and white, dark blue, brown, gray, taupe and the various shades of violet lead in quality and quantity. After black, dark blue and the brown shades show the greatest variety of styles, degrees of dressiness and range of prices. Velled effects are still in vogue. Chiffon cloth and the trans-

parent materials over bright shades of satin give a certain tone to a dark costume not otherwise obtainable.

Simplicity is the keynote of the smartest blouses. Many are out with kimona sleeves, although the newer fashions show long sleeves, fitting the arm very snugly at the wrist, and frequently showing a frill of lace or net falling over the hand.

Large collars of lace and net are worn over the plain blouses. These are square or pointed in the back and have the frill meet in front, crossing just below the bust and fastening under the girdle.

Hand-tucked blouses showing of fine embroidery are the very acme of refinement and good taste. Chiffon or marquisette, embroidered and tucked by hand and mounted over a contrasting color, makes the most beautiful of all the costume blouses.

Black and white is a great feature in gowns, especially when combined with a coral tone or coral jewelry.

Most fashionable materials are rich and heavy. Tailored costumes are made up of thick woolly goods, and for suits and dresses even plush is used with heavy chenille fringe as trimming.

White skirts are taking on a wrapped drapery which really cuts their length, coats are growing perceptibly longer.

The winter hats fit more closely about the face, the trimming is higher, and black velvet seems to be the most popular material.

The skirts to the evening dresses are long, most of them have trains and the trains are usually made in the long court length.

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TEACHERS TRAINING SECRETARY TO SPEAK

Dr. P. E. Burroughs of Nashville, Tenn., arrived in Wichita Falls this afternoon and will speak at the First Baptist church tomorrow at 11 a. m. 7:30 p. m.

Dr. Burroughs is secretary of the Teachers Training Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. Those who have recently been converted and all who are interested in Teachers Training Work are cordially invited to hear him.

Dr. Burroughs was pastor of the First Baptist church of this city at one time.

Mr. J. E. Johnson of Iowa Park was in town today and reported the wheat in his neighborhood was in fine condition and the prospects for a crop were better than he had seen it in 21 years that he has lived in Wichita county. Mr. Johnson has 2,650 acres of wheat in, and the late planting especially is in splendid condition.

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Mrs. W. Heard, of Devo, Okla., is here as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Murph, of 1408 Tenth street.

Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Bacon have presented as a Christmas present to the Christian Church, a handsome individual communion service, which will be used in the church ceremonies.

Mrs. Parker, of Iowa Park, was the week end guest of Miss Maud Lightsey, on Tenth street.

Mrs. W. G. McGuire and daughter, Miss Ina, arrived here Wednesday afternoon from their home in Mangum, Okla., and spent a day or so as the guest of Mrs. T. R. Orth on Tenth street. Mrs. McGuire, accompanied by her daughter, left Thursday afternoon for Mineral Wells, where they will remain for several weeks in the hope of improving Ina's health before they return to Mangum.

"Rum" Was Played. Mrs. W. M. McGregor was hostess at a small party Thursday afternoon, when "rum," the popular new game was played. There were two tables of players and after a very interesting series of games was played delicious refreshments of chicken salad olives, potato chips and wafers and chocolate were served. Those present were: Mrs. Gates, Mrs. Bruce Smith, Mrs. Sherrod, Mrs. Thompson, Miss Lucille Sherrod, Mrs. J. W. Du Val, Mrs. W. B. Shepperd and Mrs. C. B. Toney.

Rebekahs Elect Officers. Monday afternoon the Wichita Rebekah Lodge met in regular session and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Mrs. C. Q. Halbert, Noble Grand. Mrs. W. L. Dillard, Vice Grand. Mrs. W. M. Newman, Treasurer. Mrs. W. P. Brooks, Secretary. Mrs. W. B. Robinson was elected delegate to the Grand Lodge in 1912, and Mrs. Salena Hammond was named as alternate. Mrs. Sullivan of Arkansas also gave a very interesting address at this meeting which was one of the most interesting in the history of the organization.

Friday Afternoon Bridge Club. The Friday Afternoon Bridge Club met with Mrs. Frank Blair on 11th street this week and ten members of the club were present. Mrs. Wiley Blair made the highest score. A one-course luncheon was served. Those present were: Mesdames Wiley Blair, Bruce Smith, Fred Gates, C. W. Snider, T. T. Reece, Sherrod, C. C. Huff and the Misses Lucille Sherrod and Ethel Cobb, and Mrs. Frank Blair, the hostess.

New Century Club. The New Century Club met Wednesday afternoon at three o'clock at the home of Mrs. Claud Montgomery on Tenth street, and a majority of the club members were present. The subjects of discussion were "New York and New Orleans," and a number of papers containing information concerning these cities were read. Delicious refreshments in the nature of marshmallow pudding, coffee, and cake, were served to those present. The club then adjourned to meet again next January with Mrs. T. T. Reece on Burnett street. Those who answered to the roll call

Wednesday afternoon were the Mesdames, Minnie May Addicks, C. W. Beavers, E. H. Burnside, L. A. Farris, J. W. Lee, T. T. Reece, T. L. Toland, J. C. Guest, C. W. Snider, Wm. McGregor and Miss Dora Coons, in addition to Mrs. Claud Montgomery, the hostess.

Free Band Concert. In spite of the winter months the Wichita Concert Band continues to hold their Sunday concerts on the band stand in the court house yard. The weather has been very favorable the last few concerts and good crowds are attending. The following is the program for this afternoon at 3:30 p. m., B. P. Boyer, director: "Circus Maximus" march—Samuels. "Frollic" overture—Hyde. "Little Coquette" (characteristic)—Plath. "When I Woke Up this Morning"—Coogan. Rosster's Medley Selection—Alford. Coronation March—Meyerbur. "Enchantment" waltz—Peters. "Pride of the Parade" march—McFall.

Meeting of Unity Club. Mrs. J. A. Kemp, entertained the Unity Club Friday afternoon beginning at 3 o'clock at the Kemp residence on Indiana avenue, for her daughter, Mrs. Newton Maer. Mrs. J. D. Anderson presided at the meeting. The club is now preparing to take up a study of Anthony and Cleopatra and with this object in view, the meeting Friday afternoon was given over to the reading of papers on Egypt by different members of the club. Among those who read interesting papers on that subject were Mrs. Wiley Robertson, Mrs. J. C. Hunt, Mrs. Berney, Mrs. J. T. Montgomery and Mrs. H. B. Patterson. After all of the papers had been read and other business had been done away with, refreshments were served and the club adjourned to meet again with Mrs. J. T. Montgomery on Tenth street after the Christmas holidays.

Civic League Meeting. The ladies of the Civic League met Thursday afternoon with Mrs. A. Zundelwitz, on Lamar avenue and some important business came up before the meeting. Among other things the fact that Mrs. O. B. Colquitt had sent ten thousand Red Cross seals to Mrs. Boger, president of the Civic League, with a request that that number be disposed of in this city during the Christmas holidays, was discussed and acted upon. The League decided to undertake the task of disposing of these Red Cross seals, and committees were appointed by the president, she having been given authority to do so by Mrs. Colquitt, and these committees will take personal charge of the disposal of the Red Cross seals. The Mesdames J. A. Kemp, Minnie May Addicks, Wiley Wyatt, C. W. Snider, H. O. Cravens, R. E. Huff, G. D. Anderson, Ed R. List and Mrs. T. R. Boger are the members of the committee which will have active charge of the Red Cross work, and a campaign will be inaugurated at once by means of which it is hoped to be able to place Wichita Falls on the

honor list among the cities of this state, an event which can only happen through the disposal of the ten thousand Red Cross seals here. Slides to be shown in several moving picture shows and perhaps in the opera house for the purpose of demonstrating the need of such work, are expected to arrive in a few days when they will be shown for the benefit of the public and much good is expected to be accomplished in this way. The Civic League also discussed measures by means of which the City Park can be improved, and upon a motion it was decided to thoroughly go through the details of the matter at another meeting. Mrs. Boger, who attended the State Federation of Women's Clubs, which recently met in Houston, made a report on the proceedings of that meeting, which report was given careful attention. It was also decided to keep open house New Year's day, but the exact place was not determined and will be announced at a later date. Refreshments were served, after which the League adjourned.

A Dinner Party. Mrs. T. T. Reece assisted her mother, Mrs. M. L. Reid Tuesday evening in entertaining a few of County Clerk W. A. Reid's friends who were together last summer in Colorado. A course dinner was served, the table being beautifully decorated with carnations, one of which was presented to each guest as a favor. A cut glass vase of carnations on a mirrored platter surrounded by similar was especially attractive as a decoration feature, besides which, the whole house was made beautiful by clusters of carnations tastefully arranged. Chaldean and Assyrian Decoration; characteristic designs and their origin, by Mrs. Harris. Greek Decoration; the Anthenian acanthus leaf and other motives, Miss Ward. Greek Vases, by Mrs. Kahn. Those present reported having enjoyed these papers and later the delightful refreshments served by the hostess. On December 5th the club held its last meeting for the year with Mrs. E. Smith. Music was provided by Mrs. Lantzook and the following papers were read: Pompeian Wall Decoration, and its Modern Revival, Mrs. Seeliger. Byzantine Ornament, the Catacombs and their art, Mrs. Bear. Motives: Significance and Treatment—the cross, palm, dove, peacock and vine, Mrs. Harris. Mrs. Gebhard sent in her resignation as president of the club on account of continued ill health, which was accepted, and Mrs. H. G. Harris was unanimously elected to fill the vacancy. Mrs. Lee Smith was elected to fill Mrs. Harris' unexpired term as secretary. The meeting was then turned over to the hostess and a lovely informal time was enjoyed over the dainty refreshments provided. The next meeting will be held January 2nd with Miss Seeliger.

Chafing Dish Party. A chafing dish party was given Friday evening by the Misses Lavinia Randle and Kate McSpadden at the home of Rev. and Mrs. J. P. Boone, 108 Tenth street. The feature of the evening was the making of fudge and divinity, which means of candies have achieved so much fame during the last few years. An evening thoroughly enjoyed by all present was the unanimous verdict of the Misses Lizzie Lawler, Lela Simmons, Lavinia Randle, Kate McSpadden and the Messrs. Marvin Smith, Lawrence Steel, George Wilson, Cliff Gibson and John W. Thomas.

Birthday Party. Mrs. Wiley Blair gave her son, Edwin Foster, a birthday party Friday evening in honor of his tenth birthday, a few of the children of the neighborhood being invited. Many games which young children enjoy were played, including "Pin the Tail on the Donkey," "Wink'um," "Clapp in and Clapp Out," and several others. Refreshments were served, and all present enjoyed themselves immensely and many declared that his time for departure came all too soon. Those present were: Misses Dell, Ceelia and Sadie Addicks, Louise and Agnes Leacham, Gladys Kell, Lucille Smith, Wilmoth Fligo, Helen Sinder, Pinta Huff, Lois Morgan, Bibby Kell, Mary Blair and Lillian and Edith Berney and the young Messrs. Jimmy Blair, Claud Montgomery, Henry and Earnest Robertson, Oliver Morgan, Carol Stampfl, Lillian Blair, George Fligo, Homer Toland, Robert Stayton and Wells Smith.

Y. W. C. A. Bazaar. The ladies of the Y. W. C. A., as was advertised in this paper, held their bazaar Friday and Saturday in the quarters of that organization in the Kemp and Kell building on 8th street, and a most successful sale was the result of the bazaar. On account of the inclemency of the weather during last Friday and Saturday, when the streets were in such a condition that many who probably intended to buy Christmas goods at this bazaar were unable to do so, the ladies have decided to continue the sale during next week, and the booths will therefore be restocked in anticipation of the demand for their goods at this sale which will begin Monday morning. The booth system was found to be very successful, and the attractive decorations were admired by many. Even a larger amount of money than was expected was taken in by the ladies as a result of their bazaar Friday and Saturday, and this money will be devoted towards paying the expenses of the organization in this city.

for the Men's Alliance: President, H. A. Fairchild; Vice President, Dr. R. C. Smith; Secretary, Burton Stayton; Treasurer, L. A. Farris; Division Leaders, Dr. J. S. Nelson; C. J. Barnard, W. W. Brown, George Lawler, J. L. Jackson, F. C. Barrow and Chas. McKeehan. The officers and division leaders for the Woman's Alliance were also chosen and are: President, Mrs. W. L. Robertson; Vice President, Mrs. W. H. Davis; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Chas. McKeehan; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. A. B. Maples; Treasurer, Mrs. J. H. Martin; Treasurer of Benevolences, Mrs. L. A. Farris; Auditor, Mrs. F. C. Barrow; Division Leaders, Mrs. H. A. Fairchild, Mrs. J. L. Jackson, Mrs. J. P. Boone, Mrs. J. B. Walker, Mrs. C. W. Roundtree, Mrs. J. D. Pressley, Mrs. J. W. Clabsey, Mrs. T. M. Smyre.

The meeting was in every way a success, and over one hundred and twenty new members have been welcomed into the church as a direct result of the Ham revival meeting.

Art Literature Club. Owing to the illness of the press reporter, due credit was not given the altho few who braved the elements and met with Mrs. Fligo on November 30th. Every paper was brought up in excellent form. These were: Egyptian Decorations; the use of color and geometric ornament; natural and symbolic motions, by Miss Childers. Chaldean and Assyrian Decoration; characteristic designs and their origin, by Mrs. Harris. Greek Decoration; the Anthenian acanthus leaf and other motives, Miss Ward. Greek Vases, by Mrs. Kahn. Those present reported having enjoyed these papers and later the delightful refreshments served by the hostess. On December 5th the club held its last meeting for the year with Mrs. E. Smith. Music was provided by Mrs. Lantzook and the following papers were read: Pompeian Wall Decoration, and its Modern Revival, Mrs. Seeliger. Byzantine Ornament, the Catacombs and their art, Mrs. Bear. Motives: Significance and Treatment—the cross, palm, dove, peacock and vine, Mrs. Harris. Mrs. Gebhard sent in her resignation as president of the club on account of continued ill health, which was accepted, and Mrs. H. G. Harris was unanimously elected to fill the vacancy. Mrs. Lee Smith was elected to fill Mrs. Harris' unexpired term as secretary. The meeting was then turned over to the hostess and a lovely informal time was enjoyed over the dainty refreshments provided. The next meeting will be held January 2nd with Miss Seeliger.

Five Hundred Party. Mrs. Lee Smith, assisted by Mrs. Binford, entertained a few of her friends with a Five Hundred party at her home on Ninth street Wednesday afternoon, from three until five o'clock. There were sixteen ladies present and four tables were used as playing boards. Mrs. M. M. Murray, in a cut after the games had been finished, won the favor of the afternoon. Refreshments in the form of a salad course were served. The house was tastefully decorated for the occasion with varieties of Christmas colors, and Christmas cards were distributed to each guest. The following ladies were present: The Mesdames Wm. McGregor, J. W. DuVal, O. T. Bacon, Alex. Kahn, C. P. Moore, of Petrolia; Harry Mae Happy Day, M. M. Murray, C. B. Toney, Harry Bolding, W. W. Little, Frank Cullian, Lucian Frith, Mike Walker, Harry Oberstein, and Mrs. Binford, who assisted Mrs. Lee, the hostess in the entertainment of the guests.

Sewing Circle. Thursday afternoon beginning at 7 o'clock, the ladies of the Sewing Circle met at the home of Mrs. Jud Pressley on 11th street, where the last meeting which will be held this year took place, and it proved to be most interesting one. Following the usual custom of the society, needle work was the entertainment of the afternoon, and every member present brought her sewing and between stitches conversation was indulged in. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Pressley, assisted by Miss Lena Gardner, a salad course having been prepared. What probably made this particular meeting one of the most interesting, which has been held this year was a "grab bag," from which each person present drew something, and the article drawn was then presented to that person as a Christmas gift. The bag had been filled with different works of art, sewing, etc., such as sofa pillows, painted pictures, china and the like, all of which were made at their homes by the several members of the club for distribution as Christmas presents at this meeting. The club then adjourned to meet again after the Christmas holidays with Miss Lena Gardner on Tenth street. The following ladies were present: Mesdames Jud Pressley, Claud Montgomery, J. O. McDowell, Charles Hartsook, M. J. Gardner, and the hostess.

Reception at the Baptist Church. A church reception from 7:30 until 10 o'clock was given at the First Baptist Church on Tenth street Thursday evening for the purpose of welcoming all of the new members who had joined during the Ham revival meeting. A large crowd was present and addresses were made by Rev. J. P. Boone, the pastor, R. E. Huff, H. A. Fairchild, F. E. Barr, W. H. Wright and Mrs. W. H. Davis. All of these talks were made in such a manner that the new members would feel welcome, and the addresses were enjoyed by all present. During the progress of the evening the Men's Alliance, and the Woman's Alliance elected their officers and division leaders for the coming year. The following officers were chosen

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- \$13.50 New Coat Suits reduced to \$9 98
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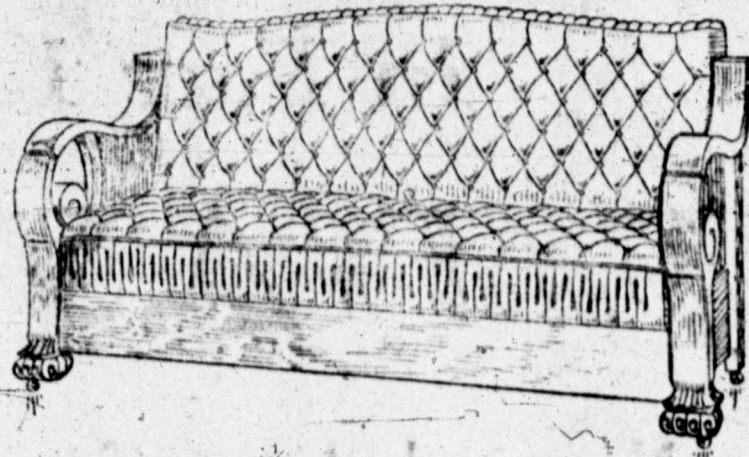
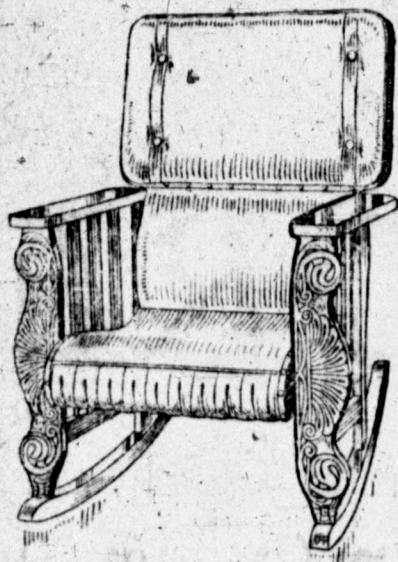


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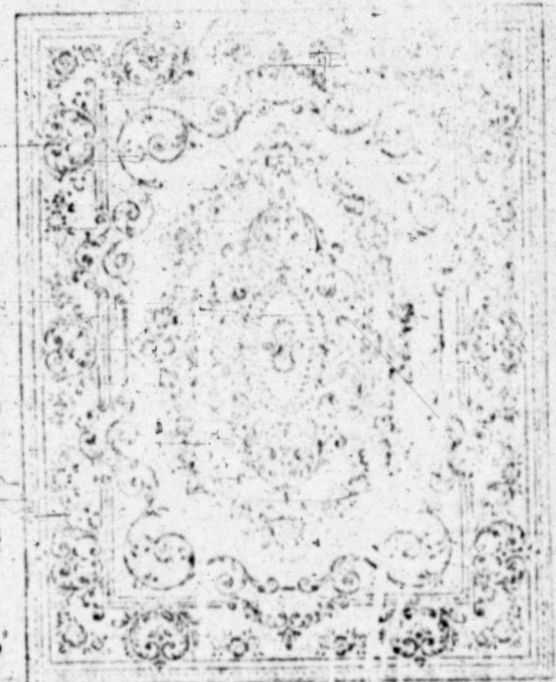
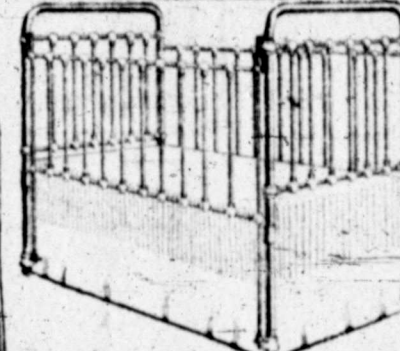
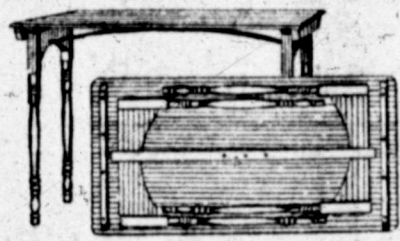
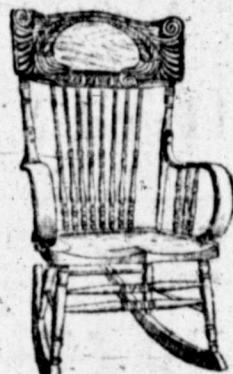
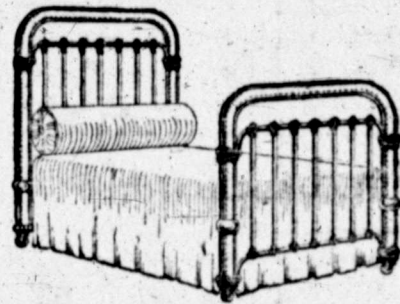


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Fads and Fashions

New York, December 16.—Three-piece costumes are very much in vogue this season, but there is also a great demand for one-piece frocks which are more appropriate for wear under a fur or other separate coat than a three-piece costume. The fashionable shops display many attractive models of one-piece frocks, for both morning and afternoon wear.

Serge, broadcloth, chambray, silk, cashmere, silk serge, velvet, velveteen, corduroy, even the heavier woolsens such as satine, are used for the short one-piece frothing frock. At the recent Horse Show a good looking young woman of extremely slender figure wore effectively an unusual frock of black plush made pipestem straightness and severity. It buttoned all the way down the front, was slightly short in waist and had its waist line marked only by a cord or piping of the plush. There was a little collar, edged narrowly by black lynx, turning away from a gumpie and frill of yellowed fine lace. The sleeve was bordered by fur and there was a wide band of the black lynx on the bottom. With this was worn a big black hat trimmed in natural gourah and an enormous scarf of lynx which was wide enough and long enough to answer the purpose of a coat in connection with so heavy a frock.

Charming one-piece frocks in black silk of one kind or another are still very good from for wear under fur coats, and these are usually relieved by some meek touch of bright color, the cleverness with which this relieving note is introduced having much to do with the success of the frock. It is in this sort of thing that the French are peculiarly gifted and it is in this

not at the sides. In some cases a wide panel or entire front of lace or embroidered net is continued below the waist to form a rectangular tab reaching quite across the front of the skirt. Arrangements of this kind over silk blouse handsomely embroidered and with the peplum tab of the embroidered silk continuing the design of an embroidered front.

A flat ribbon collar of lace edged at the front, normal waist line or a little above and so disposed as to form a single point below the girdle is used on some of the imported frocks and the same idea has been developed by blouse designers, but handsomely embroidered fine net seems a great favorite with these designers for the dressy type of peplum blouse, as the plainer net is for tailored blouse purposes.

Plain and striped velvets are being featured prominently among the semi-tailored and tailored costumes. Two-piece suits and the favorite one-piece afternoon frock of velvet will have a place in every fashionable woman's wardrobe. Suits of plain one-tone velvet, or striped velvets showing rich tones, trimmed with fur of elaborately braided, are very much in evidence. High collars that close about the throat in military effect, and these are often finished with a big revers on one side of the front.

The large shops carry large assortments of separate blouses in all the popular shades and colors that are found in high-grade suitings, and it is comparatively easy to find a blouse matching in color and material either coat or skirt. The designs are admirable, even in the cheaper wools.

Black and white, dark blue, brown, gray, taupe and the various shades of violet lead in quality and quantity. After black, dark blue and the brown shades show the greatest variety of styles, degrees of dressiness and range of prices. Velvet effects are still in vogue. Chiffon, cloth and the trans-

parent materials over bright shades of satin give a certain tone to a dark costume not otherwise obtainable.

Simplicity is the keynote of the smartest blouses. Many are out with kimono sleeves, although the newer fashions show long sleeves, fitting the arm very snugly at the wrist, and frequently showing a frill of lace or net falling over the hand.

Large collars of lace and net are worn over the plain blouses. These are square or pointed in the back and have the frill effect in front, crossing just below the bust and fastening under the girdle.

Hand-tucked blouses showing of fine embroidery are the very acme of refinement and good taste. Chiffon or marquisette, embroidered and tucked by hand and mounted over a contrasting color, makes the most beautiful of all the costume blouses.

Black and white is a great feature in gowns, especially when combined with a coral tone or coral jewelry.

Most fashionable materials are rich and heavy. Tailored costumes are made up of thick woolly goods, and for suits and dresses even plush is used with heavy chenille fringe as trimming.

White shirts are taking on a wrapped drape which really cuts their length, coats are growing perceptibly longer.

The winter hats fit more closely about the face, the trimming is higher, and black velvet seem to be the most popular material.

The skirts to the evening dresses are long, most of them have trains and the trains are usually made in the long court length.

Double-faced materials are used a great deal for coats and skirts.

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Dr. P. E. Burroughs of Nashville, Tenn., arrived in Wichita Falls this afternoon and will speak at the First Baptist church tomorrow at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Dr. Burroughs is secretary of the Teachers Training Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Those who have recently been converted and all who are interested in Teachers Training Work are cordially invited to hear him.

Dr. Burroughs was pastor of the First Baptist church of this city at one time.

Mr. J. E. Johnson of Iowa Park was in town today and reported the wheat in his neighborhood was in fine condition, and the prospects for a crop were better than he had seen it in 21 years that he has lived in Wichita county. Mr. Johnson has 2,650 acres of wheat in, and the late planting especially is in splendid condition.

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First Presbyterian Church.
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Dr. McKee will speak at the 11 o'clock service on "A Worthy Passion in Life," and at the evening service on "The Settling to the Life of Christ." Sunday school at 9:30 a. m., Mr. J. C. Hunt, superintendent. Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m. Ladies Aid Society Monday at 3 p. m. Mid-week prayer service Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. Welcome of new members at both morning and evening service today.

First Baptist Church.
(Corner Tenth and Austin)
Sunday school at 9:30 a. m., T. L. Toland, superintendent. Dr. P. E. Burroughs, of Nashville, secretary of the Teacher's Training Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board, will speak at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. B. Y. P. U. at 6:30, P. E. Phillips, president. Sunbeams at 3:30 p. m., Mrs. R. B. Statton, leader. An opportunity for membership will be given at both services. The ordinance of Baptism will be administered at the close of the evening service. Those who have recently joined and all who are interested in Teacher's Training work are urged to hear Dr. Burroughs. A cordial welcome is extended to all. J. P. Boone, Pastor.

Fourth Street Baptist Mission.
(Corner Fourth and Travis)
Sunday school at 9:30 a. m., L. H. Lawler, superintendent. Young people meeting at 4:00 p. m. All are welcome.

First M. E. Church, South.
(Corner Tenth and Lamar)
Preaching every Sunday at 11 a. m., and 7 p. m. The Sunday school meets at 9:30 a. m. The Epworth League at 6:15 p. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening at 7 p. m. An opportunity will be given at the close of every service for any who may desire to unite with the church. Unless by special request the pastor never announces his pulpit themes beforehand. J. W. Hill, Pastor.

Christian Church.
All services at the church today. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Sermon at 11 a. m. Christian Endeavor at 3 and 9:30 p. m. Sermon at 7:30 p. m. Everyone welcome. R. R. Hamlin, Pastor.

Christian Science.
(Room 7 P. O. Building)
Christian Science services will be held Sunday as follows: Lesson sermon at 11 a. m., subject, "Is the Universe including man, evolved by Atomic Force?" Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Testimonial meeting Wednesday at 7:45 p. m. The reading room at same address is open daily except Sunday from 2 to 5 p. m. The public is cordially invited to attend the services and visit the reading room.

Central Presbyterian Church.
(Corner Eleventh and Bluff)
Preaching at 11 a. m., and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m. C. E. Society at 6:30 p. m. Every one is cordially invited to attend the services. E. S. Lowrance, Pastor.

Church of the Nazarens.
(Corner Fifth and Bluff)
Sunday school will be held at the Nazarene church, corner Fifth and Bluff streets at 10 o'clock this morning and at 11 o'clock there will be preaching by Rev. Charles Robertson, of Bowie, will be held. Everybody is invited to attend both Sunday school and church and all will be made welcome.

Evangelical Association.
(Corner Broad and 15th)
Organ services at 11 a. m. English services at 7:15 p. m. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Practice for Christmas at 3 p. m. Reception of new members at both services. All cordially invited. C. F. Mayer, Pastor.

Miss Della Young left Saturday afternoon for Vernon, where she will remain for several days as the guest of friends. She was accompanied by Mrs. B. C. Williams, who will also visit friends.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Lesson XII.—Fourth Quarter, For Dec. 17, 1911.

THE INTERNATIONAL SERIES.

Text of the Lesson, Neh. viii, 1-12. Memory Verses, 2, 3.—Golden Text, Ps. xix, 7.—Commentary Prepared by Rev. D. M. Stearns.

The temple being finished and also the wall around the city (chapter vi, 18; Ex. vi, 14, 15) they are better prepared to hear the word of God in order to do it. The Lord Jesus said one day when some one said what a blessed woman His mother was, "Yes, rather blessed are they that hear the word of God and keep it. On another occasion He said, "My mother and My brethren are these which hear the word of God and do it" (Luke xi, 28; viii, 21). Ezra was a priest and a ready scribe in the law of Moses and had prepared his heart to seek the law of the Lord and to do it and to teach it (verses 1, 2; Ex. vii, 8, 10). He was therefore just the right man to conduct this Bible conference. It was attended by both men and women and all that could hear with understanding (verses 2, 3), and they were an earnestly attentive congregation. As in the building of the wall, it was strikingly suggestive that they should begin and end at the sheep gate, inasmuch as no work will stand that is not connected with the blood of the Lamb. So in this lesson it seems most appropriate that the people should drink of the living water of the word of the Lord (verses 1, 3), or, as in xii, 37, the fountain gate. In Jer. ii, 13, the Lord calls Himself the fountain of living waters, and in Eph. v, 26, He is said to sanctify and cleanse His people with the washing of water by the word. Compare also Ps. cxix, 9. It was a long session from morning until midday (verse 3), and they kept it up from the first day unto the last day of the feast (verse 18), and there was very great gladness, with confession of sin and separation from the world (viii, 17; ix, 1-3). It is interesting to notice that thirteen men associated with Ezra in verses 2 and 7, and Dr. Bullinger calls attention to the first use of thirteen as associated with rebellion (Gen. xiv, 4). It was from the results of persistent rebellion that Ezra was seeking to lead the people back to God. It was at the thirtieth march around Jericho that the walls fell, and this coming back to God from all their wanderings was like the overthrow of a spiritual Jericho. There were just fourteen with Ezra, a twice seven, suggesting the perfection of God's dealings with His people. There was one with Ezra invisible to ordinary eyes, the only one worth considering, and His great word of encouragement is always, "I am with you." (Ex. iii, 12; Josh. i, 6; Jude, vi, 18; Isa. xli, 10; Hag. i, 13; ii, 4). The response of the people and their attitude before God, seems to indicate that their hearts were right with Him, and the heart is everything (II Chron. xvi, 9; I Sam. xvi, 7).

Reading and exposition of the word of God are the great need of souls everywhere, and verse 8 seems to cover it simply and fully. "They read in the book in the law of God distinctly and gave the sense and caused them to understand the reading." In Deut. xvii, 8; Hab. ii, 2, the instructions were to write plainly that those reading might run and tell. The way of Baruch in Jer. xxxvi, 8, is a good way. "Reading in the book the words of the Lord in the Lord's house." Just the word of God, without any note or comment or explanation has often wrought the salvation of a soul by the power of the Holy Spirit. Sometimes the Lord uses the human instrument to open up the word more fully, as in the case of Philip and the Ethiopian who said to him, "How can I understand except some man should guide me?" (Acts viii, 30, 31). On the resurrection day the Lord Jesus expounded or interpreted the Scriptures to the two men with whom He walked to Emmaus and the same evening opened the understanding of the disciples that they might understand the Scriptures (Luke xiv, 27, 44, 45).

The words of the Lord, in the power of the Spirit, as Ezra and the Levites taught the people, convicted them of sin, and they repented, but the only one who convicted of sin also convicted of righteousness (John xvi, 8, 9) and shows that, where there is true repentance there are the blotting out of sin and the imparting of perfect righteousness, so that one can say, "In the Lord have I righteousness and strength" (Isa. xlii, 25; xlv, 24). Compare II Cor. v, 21; Rom. 2, 4. Our lesson chapter is a seventh month chapter (verses 2-13), beginning with the feast of tabernacles, but between the two came the great day of atonement (Lev. xxiii, 27, 34), the only true ground of all real joy (Lev. xvii, 11; Gal. iii, 13). "Mourn not nor weep; neither be ye grieved; neither be ye sorry" (Isa. xli, 11), reminds us of the words of the Lord Jesus to repentant sinners, "Son, be of good cheer; for thou art forgiven thy sins" (Matt. ix, 2, 22, R. V.). We think also of the Ethiopian who went on his way rejoicing, of the father and his household who rejoiced, believing in God; of the great joy in Nazareth, of the joy in heaven over one sinner that repenteth and of the joy and peace, the unspeakable joy, which is the privilege of every believer (Acts viii, 8, 39; xvi, 34; I. A. v, 10; Rom. xv, 13; I Pet. i, 8).

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SHERIFF'S SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Wichita.
By virtue of a certain Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Wichita County, on the 1st day of December, 1911, by A. F. Kerr, Clerk of said Court, against Lots 5 and 6, block No. 13, Burk Burnett, Wichita County, Texas, for the sum of Eight Hundred, Thirty-Six (\$836.00) Dollars and costs of suit in cause No. 4064 in said court, styled City National Bank of Wichita Falls, Texas, versus F. J. Seeley, and placed in my hands for service, R. L. Randolph as sheriff of Wichita County, Texas, did on the 2nd day of December, 1911 levy on certain real estate situated in Wichita County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit:
Lots 5 and 6, block No. 13, in the town of Burk Burnett, in Wichita County, Texas, and levied upon as the property of said F. J. Seeley, and on Tuesday the 2nd day of January, 1912 at the Court House door of Wichita County, in the City of Wichita Falls, Texas, between the hours of ten a. m. and four p. m., I will sell said lots at public vendue for cash to the highest bidder as the property of said F. J. Seeley by virtue of said levy and said Order of Sale.
And in compliance with law I give this notice by publication in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Wichita Times, a newspaper published in Wichita County.
Witness my hand this 2nd day of December, 1911.
R. L. RANDOLPH,
Sheriff Wichita County, Texas.
d 174-189-185.

SHERIFF'S SALE

The State of Texas, County of Wichita.
By virtue of a certain Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Wichita County, on the twenty-eighth day of November, 1911, by A. F. Kerr, Clerk of said court, being a sale for partition of interests of plaintiff, C. F. Collins, and Defendant's Geo. W. Jalonek, I. Jalonek, Jr., Emma Eastland and H. T. Canfield as guardian of Edilson Jalonek, and Nellie Jalonek, and placed in my hands for service, R. L. Randolph, as sheriff of Wichita County, Texas, did on the 28th day of November, 1911, levy on certain real estate situated in Wichita County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit:
All that portion of Section 16, Jao. A. Scott survey lying immediately north of the E. A. Austin survey and embraced in a triangle, the lines of which are made up of 12th street, Grace street and the south line of Section 16, Jao. A. Scott survey.
The said property being sold for the purposes of division between the owners, C. F. Collins, plaintiff, and Geo. W. Jalonek, I. Jalonek, Jr., Emma Eastland and H. T. Canfield as guardian of Edilson Jalonek, and Nellie Jalonek.
And on Tuesday the 2nd day of January, 1912, at the court house door of Wichita County, in the city of Wichita Falls, Texas, between the hours of ten a. m. and four p. m., I will sell said lands at public vendue for cash to the highest bidder as the property of said C. F. Collins, plaintiff, Geo. W. Jalonek, I. Jalonek, Jr., Emma Eastland and H. T. Canfield as guardian of Edilson Jalonek and Nellie Jalonek, by virtue of said Order of Sale and said judgment.
And in compliance with law I give this notice by publication in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Wichita Daily Times, a newspaper published in Wichita County.
Witness my hand this 9th day of December, 1911.
R. L. RANDOLPH,
Sheriff, Wichita County, Texas.
By G. A. Hawkins, Deputy.
180-86-92

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Wichita County, Texas: Greeting.
You are hereby commanded, that you summon, by making publication of this citation in some newspaper published in the county of Wichita, for eight weeks previous to the return day hereof, unknown heirs of John Howard and Ellen Howard, deceased, whose residence is unknown, to be and appear before the Hon. County Court, at the next regular term thereof, to be held in the county of Wichita, at the court house thereof, in Wichita Falls, on the 5th day of February, A. D. 1912, and there to answer petition filed in said court on the 8th day of December, A. D. 1911, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 372, wherein Wade H. Walker and Mrs. Wade H. Walker, formerly Mary Esther Howard, commonly known as Miss Ottilie Howard, are plaintiffs and Unknown heirs of John Howard and Ellen Howard, deceased, are defendants. The nature of plaintiff's demand being as follows, to-wit:
Plaintiff's cause of action is for the purpose of determining and declaring who are the heirs of John Howard and Ellen Howard, and alleges that John Howard departed this life in Tulsa, Oklahoma, on December 29, 1903, and that Ellen Howard died in Wichita Falls, Wichita County, Texas, on October 1st, 1911, and that petitioner, Mrs. Wade H. Walker, nee Mary Esther Howard, is the daughter and only child and heir of said John and Ellen Howard, deceased; that she was married to Wade H. Walker in June, 1908 and has resided in Wichita County, since said date; that petitioner, Mrs. Wade H. Walker, nee Mary Esther Howard (commonly called Miss Ottilie Howard) is the only heir of said John Howard and Ellen Howard, deceased, is entitled to the property hereinafter described; that said John and Ellen Howard died intestate and possessed of the following property, to-wit: Lots 8, 10, 11 and 12, block 63, of the town of Iowa Park, Texas; Lot 1, block 214, in the city of Wichita Falls, Texas, all of which property is

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settlement than before. Then when it was decided that they should walk anyhow, Miss St. Clair couldn't find her polo coat. They looked for it fifteen minutes before Miss St. Clair learned that another girl had borrowed it to wear to the church, and then it was so late that the girl who wore a black velvet ribbon in her pretty light hair, and who lipped prettily when she sings, couldn't go either.

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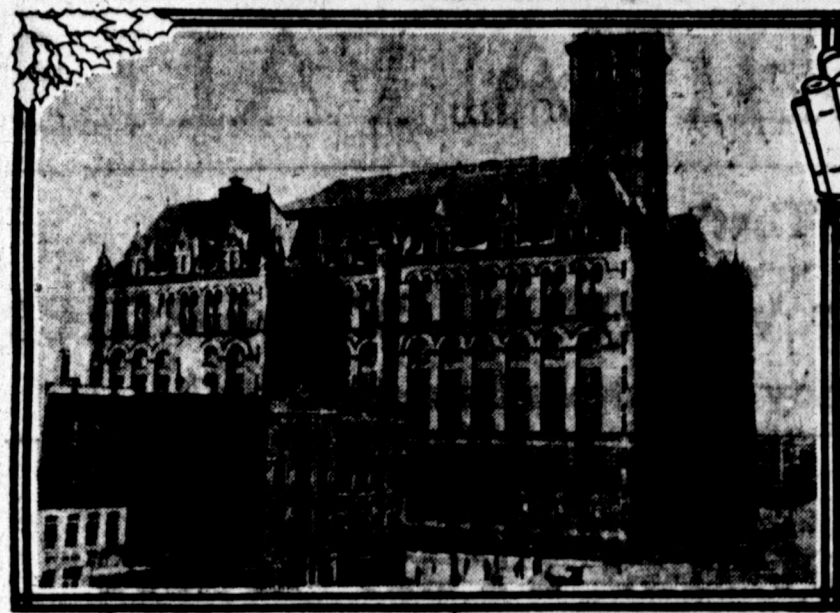
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For months Wichita Falls readers seen the constant expression of praise for Doan's Kidney Pills, and read about the good work they have done in this locality. Not another remedy ever produced such convincing proof of merit.
P. W. Nolen, 806 Eighth Street.

Wichita Falls, Texas, says: "Doan's Kidney Pills certainly live up to the claims made for them and I think they are the best kidney medicine in existence. I had heard several people speak highly of this remedy and when I saw it advertised, I got a supply from the Wichita Drug House. My kidneys were weak and I was obliged to get up often at night to pass the kidney secretions. In the morning I felt stiff and lame across my back and was hardly able to straighten. Whenever I stopped, a sharp twinge darted through me. I used in all three boxes of Doan's Kidney Pills and they entirely cured me." (Statement given June 16, 1908).

A Second Endorsement.
Mr. Nolen was interviewed on December 8, 1910 and he added to the above: "I willingly re-endorse Doan's Kidney Pills and confirm every word of the statement I gave in their favor two and a half years ago. I have recommended this remedy to many people and have always taken pleasure in doing so."
For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States. Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY.
Wanted to sell all or half interest in small manufacturing enterprise just starting. Good proposition with bright future. Fifteen hundred to three thousand dollars will handle. Would accept well located real estate if priced right. Address P. O. Box 1125, Wichita Falls, Texas. 158-41p.

Santa Claus' MAIL



The Post Office Department at Washington, The Headquarters of the Santa Claus Mail



Handling Santa Claus Mail in a Big Post Office - Cancelling Machine in Foreground



Postmaster General Frank H. Hitchcock



Sorting Santa Claus Letters Preparatory to Distributing them to Philanthropists

SANTA CLAUS is becoming a regular hoodoo to Uncle Sam. Impossible, unthinkable, unbelievable and high treason, you declare hotly in defense of the kindly old fellow, but it is a fact, nevertheless. And the worst of it is that the patron saint of our merriest holiday bids fair to prove more of a bug-bear to our Federal guardian at this Christmas season of 1911 than he has ever done in the past—with one possible exception. Even as this meets the eyes of readers there are sorely-tired officials in Washington who are cudgeling their brains and figuratively, if not literally tearing their hair because of the way in which Santa Claus upsets routine in certain government offices.

Of course all our readers appreciate that the great governmental institution which we are all wont to familiarly dub Uncle Sam is a very complex organism and by this same token it follows that in most spheres only a minor and indirect influence is exerted by Santa Claus. In one domain, however, he does play hob and that one is the Post Office Department, which is far and away the biggest business enterprise under the government, having on its pay-rolls upward of one-third of a million people or several times as many as are enlisted in our army or navy. Now, for everybody in the postal army, from the Postmaster General to the mail carrier on the most isolated rural route, the Christmas holidays bring extra work—added responsibilities that may even somewhat mar the personal enjoyment of the yuletide. Yet it may surprise you to learn that it is not this rush work that is putting dear old Sanny into the role of troublemaker—particularly so this year.

It is Santa Claus' personal mail which is just now causing some of the captains of the postal cohorts to

lay awake nights. Now the bewick-ered driver of the redneer team gets a tremendous volume of mail during the fortnight before Christmas. Indeed there are posted to him every day during that interim a dozen times as many letters as are addressed to the President of the United States, who, under ordinary circumstances, is supposed to receive the heaviest personal mail of any individual in the world. And Santa displays a lamentable inability to handle his correspondence. Perhaps it is not to be wondered at, considering what deluge of missives are dispatched to him and how busy he must be with his other duties at this time of year, but be that as it may the old fellow has never been known to formally acknowledge the receipts of a letter, much less to answer it in the ordinary way. Worse yet, he will not even call for the accumulation of mail that is waiting for him at every post-office up and down the land, and thus he forces Uncle Sam to dispose of the Santa Claus mail as best he can. Uncle Sam long ago gave up the effort to locate Santa Claus' permanent address and forward thither his unclaimed mail. In fact, some of the prosaic officials at the Post Office Department being unable to get any clue to Santa Claus' whereabouts decreed, these many years back, that he must be regarded as a "fictitious personage." This puts his mail in the "unclaimed-class." The regulations of the Post Office Department which are based upon laws passed by Congress provide that all mail which cannot be delivered because of undecipherable or insufficient address or for any other reason must be sent to the Dead Letter Office at Washington, where an effort is made by the government's greatest "experts" to either set these derelicts of the mails on the right road to their destination or else return them to the writers. It

is further provided that when it is impossible to ascertain the name or address of the senders of mail addressed to fictitious persons the postal wafers must be destroyed, and this has been the unhappy fate of bushels upon bushels of Santa Claus' letters during the past decade or two.

This year, however, is to see a change in the disposition of the Santa Claus mail. All the people who have ever had an opportunity to peep into any of the Santa Claus letters at the Dead Letter Office have been brought to realize that many of these letters are from children whose only chance of a merry Christmas lies in an appeal to Sanny. Most children, seemingly write a Christmas letter to the fur-clad gift-giver. Many of the appeals show by the paper and envelopes used that they have been prepared in comfortable or even luxurious homes and we may suspect that a fond father or mother was looking over the shoulder of the young applicant for Xmas boons. But there are others which, as has been said, obviously come from poor children and have been written without the knowledge of their parents. These are the letters which many kind-hearted folk feel should be taken in hand by persons who would see to it that the contents were brought to the attention of Santa Claus—presuming that he is too busy to read the letters himself.

The present Postmaster-General of the United States, for all that he is a bachelor and presumably not very susceptible to childish influences, has taken this same case of the "lost" letters to his heart. In the "last" only an obstacle that they couldn't get around, but Mr. Hitchcock has seemingly spied a loophole for along about the first week in November of this year he issued one of the few official orders which has ever been promulgated with reference to Santa Claus

This order reads: "Postmasters are authorized to deliver all letters arriving at their respective postoffices between December 15, 1911 and January 1, 1912, inclusive which are addressed plainly and unmistakably to 'Santa Claus' without any other terms or expressions identifying the person for whom such letters are intended, to responsible institutions or individuals in the town or city of address who may desire to use them exclusively for philanthropic purposes. In the event that these letters are requested by more than one such institution or individual the postmaster shall distribute them in such proportion as he may deem proper. (Signed) Frank H. Hitchcock, Postmaster-General."

Seemingly the new scheme was a grand good thing and there was much rejoicing over the order on the part of tender-hearted people everywhere who had been pained by the thought that any childish appeal to Santa Claus should go unanswered. But the subordinate officials at the Postoffice Department soon began to have misgivings regarding the outcome, for no sooner had the new order reached the ears of the postmasters, out through the country than the Department began to be deluged with questions regarding it. It would require a column of this paper to enumerate all the queries that were propounded as to this seemingly simple order, but just as a sample it may be cited that innumerable postmasters told their perplexities somewhat in this wise: "I have an applicant on for the Santa

Claus letters from John Jones, who says that he is a philanthropist, but I don't know whether he is or not. What shall I do?" Moreover, no sooner was the ink dry on Mr. Hitchcock's new order that it became apparent that some of the unusual conditions governing the Santa Claus mail had not been taken into account. One factor that has added to the perplexities of the new scheme for handling this Christmas flood of letters is the "postage due" on the Sanny letters. It seems that a comparatively small portion of Sanny's correspondents place two cent stamps on their letters. Many deem a one cent stamp sufficient and a yet larger proportion affix no stamp whatever. Now under the postal regulations no person can have possession of a letter on which full postage has not been paid without making up the shortage to the government. In the case of a person making application for only a few Santa Claus letters this postage "due" would be a trivial matter, but it might mean a tidy sum to a charitable or benevolent organization piling up hundreds of the letters.

With the postal authorities wrestling with the new scheme of finding acceptable proxies for Santa Claus there was naturally recalled to some of the officials a former experience. The public has probably forgotten it, but the Post Office Department made one previous attempt to utilize the Santa Claus letters as a means of doing good. These childish appeals to

be remembered at the season of universal good will have been crowding the mail bags for Decembers farther back than the oldest citizens can recall, and from time out of mind there have been suggestions that something should be done to answer to the prayers of the poor tots who manifested such sublime faith. It was not however until 1903 that a formal application was made to the Post Office Department to divert these unclaimed letters to such an end. Then the matter was referred to the legal experts of the government who declared that in their opinion no such action could be taken without imperiling that sanctity of the mails of which Uncle Sam is so proud—that respect for the seal of the Post Office Department which prescribes that not even a postmaster nor yet the Postmaster-General himself may open a sealed envelope after it has been deposited in the mails, except with the consent of the intended recipient.

This veto of the project stood unquestioned until Mr. Meyer, now Secretary of the Navy, was acting as Postmaster-General under President Roosevelt. Organizations and individuals in Mr. Meyer's home State, Massachusetts, and elsewhere, appealed to him to allow them to use the Santa Claus letters as a medium of doing good and after obtained from the Attorney-General of the United States an opinion that allowed him some latitude in the matter, he finally issued in December, 1907, an order very similar, but perhaps a trifle less explicit than the one which has just been promulgated by Postmaster-General Hitchcock. The confusion and turmoil that resulted at the post office headquarters are almost indescribable. The officials of the Dead Letter Office to whom it fell to reply to the telegrams and letters that poured in from postmasters who wanted instructions and advice, were almost distracted. The climax came on Christmas Eve, when a telegram was received from the Postmaster at Chicago, advised that 13,000 letters addressed to Santa Claus were stacked up in the office there and asking what should be done. Looking back upon

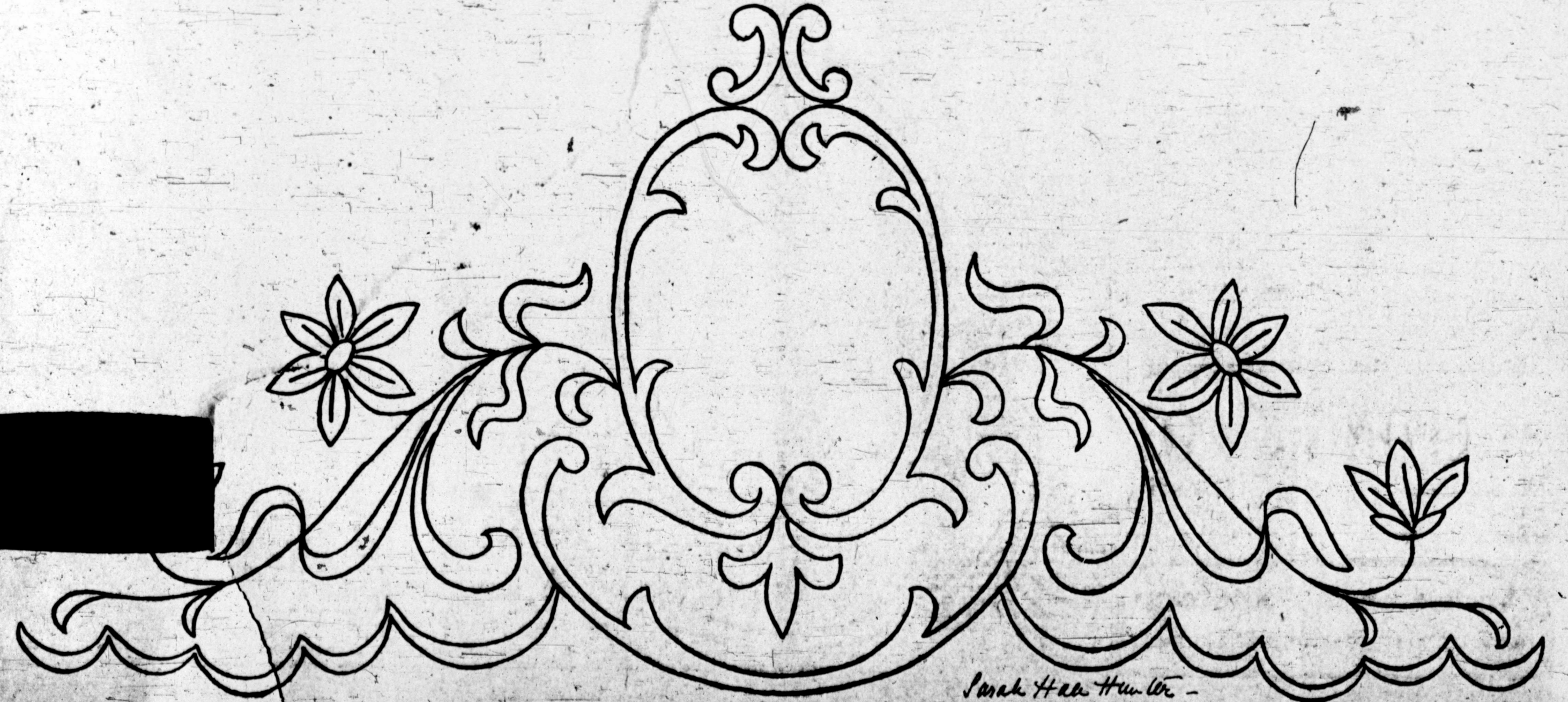
this initial experiment Mr. Meyer said feelingly "Never again" and he issued the next year another order revoking his former order and directing that Santa Claus mail be disposed of through the regular channels as formerly. This order has been in force until Mr. Hitchcock concluded to make a try at allowing generous folk to impersonate Sanny. And just here attention may be called to the fact that under the order of the Postmaster-General only the letters addressed to 'Santa Claus' can be given to applicants. Those sent upon thousands of what are, in effect Santa Claus letters are addressed to Kris Kringle or St. Nicholas but these will have to be sent to the Dead Letter Office in the regular course for these are the names of persons, and the Department is not going to run any risks of giving out a citizen whose name bore a resemblance to that of the popular idol of yuletide.

Gladden the Hearts of Your Friends. Go this week rain or shine to Denison's photo car and have a photo of some kind made and send or give one to your friends for Xmas. It will please them, and besides your bank account don't have to be as big as Rockefeller's to have good photos made at Denison's photo car. He has a new line that are fine, but still adheres to his motto: best photos, least money. 186-11c

If you order now we can have your suit ready for Christmas. We can show you a very choice line of patterns. Collier the Tailor, 722 Ohio avenue. 186-31c

Notice. To the stockholders of the First National Bank of Wichita Falls, Texas: The annual meeting of the stockholders will be held at the banking house of the First National Bank in Wichita Falls, Texas, on Tuesday, January 9, 1912, for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year, and such other business as may be presented to the stockholders. W. M. MCGREGOR, Cashier. 185-41d

Times Embroidery Patterns



Sarah H. H. Hunter

TOWEL OR SCARF END. Embroidered towels make charming and inexpensive gifts. This is a very effective design when finished and if desired the initials or monogram may be added in the oval space. The scallops should be padded and closely buttonholed. The flowers and leaves are worked solid and the stems and oval figure are done in the outline stitch. Colored or white mercerized cotton No. 18 is used and the scallops may be continued if the towel is wider than the design.

The success comedy... Tuesday night in both New York and Chicago... of which entitled nationally known Salesman... comedy, "The Daily America... a commercial most humorous... starts with first act... There is humor or dialogue... theatrical and a laugh in... Good, close character... Traveling... really to all... The travel... similar to... play, written as a central... a true light... erous expos... without the... of the most... the business... leading... Forbes... knocks... runs into... ture that... 19th century



"The Traveling Salesman" is a Clean Cut Comedy and Appeals to all Classes of Theater Goers

The success of James Forbes' latest comedy, "The Traveling Salesman," which comes to the Wichita Theatre Tuesday night, Dec. 19, was cyclonic in both New York and Chicago, in each of which cities it registered an exceptionally long run. "The Traveling Salesman," like Mr. Forbes' earlier comedy, "The Chorus Lady," is typically American. It depicts the life of a commercial traveler realistically and most humorously. One of the strongest qualities of the comedy is that the fun starts with the first line, and the first act registers a success all its own. There is not a moment when the action or dialogue drags, and as the old time theatrical advertisement read, "There's a laugh in every line."

Good, clean-cut comedy and plenty of character types are combined in "The Traveling Salesman," and the play appeals to all classes of theater-goers. The traveling salesman is a type familiar to everyone, and this is the first play written that takes the drummer as a central figure and presents him in a true light, aiming chiefly at a humorous exposition of his characteristics, without harlequinizing in the least one of the most valuable aids to commerce the business world furnishes. In the leading character of Bob Blake, Mr. Forbes shows a young drummer who knocks about in quest of trade and runs into varying phases of human nature that stretch the path of this twentieth century nomad.

In getting the surroundings and atmosphere, Mr. Forbes has gone to a composite. He has most cleverly rounded up the average hit off the life of the road by his humorous touches of character studies that reflect the general view of the game. The same observing eyes and the same insight helped him spontaneously to the story in a fashion that has made this play a living reality.

The play opens with a scene in a railway station at Grand Crossings, a small city supposedly in the middle West, on Christmas Day. Both Elliott, a pretty ticket seller and telegrapher, who owns property that is apparently worthless, is sitting in her office when Bob Blake, a drummer, drops into the station and promptly falls in love with her at first sight. Later he discovers that his employer is attempting to defraud the gift of her land by buying it in an unpaid tax sale. At this juncture Blake steps in to frustrate the conspirators and succeeds in saving the land and winning the girl of his choice.

"The White Sister."
In view of the over abundance of musical comedies and the lighter order of theatrical attractions, there is always a pleasurable anticipation decidedly manifested in the interest of a genuine dramatic entertainment, hence it is not at all surprising to note the general interest being tak-

Two good Shows Coming This week

Two good shows are coming to the Wichita Theatre this week. Tuesday night the attraction will be "The Traveling Salesman." This is the first time that this splendid comedy has come to the Southwest and the company which will present it here is exceptionally good. On Saturday

night, December 23, "The Clansman" will be the attraction. When this play showed here before, the attendance not only broke the record for the theatre, but for the company presenting the play as well. It is not believed that it has lost any of its popularity here.

on in the engagement at the Wichita Theatre next month of "The White Sister"—Vioja Allen's greatest success, a dramatization of F. Marion Crawford's universally read novel of the same title. A play which has commanded the respectful attention of the clergy of every denomination and has won the highest esteem from the newspaper critics—all of whom proclaim that "The White Sister" is the one particular intensely dramatic play woven around the elements of love and religion that is absolutely free from any attempts at sensationalism.

"The White Sister" will be offered with Miss Jeanne Towler, who has been acknowledged by the leading critics of the country, as one of the greatest emotional geniuses of the present day stage, in the title role and other artists of fine reputation. Messrs. Morrison and Warde, under whose auspices the production is made, have taken special pains to preserve the scenic atmosphere which gave this play its original prestige.

ARMSTRONG'S PURPOSE.

Three Things He Set Out to Do in Writing "Alias Jimmy Valentine."
Most playwrights have a definite purpose in mind when they set about writing a play. At least, that is the common supposition and the course they should pursue. After we have seen some plays we doubt whether or not this fact is general. At any rate, they should start out to accomplish

some purpose and if they fail they have at least made the attempt. Some write to entertain, others to teach a lesson and still others, to secure a certain weekly per cent of the play's income. Paul Armstrong comes out and makes the assertion that he wrote "Alias Jimmy Valentine" which comes to the Wichita Theatre soon with three major ideas in mind. First, he tried to show that certain classes of criminals are mildly insane; that they play their vocation without hope or chance of reward and commit crime simply because they are fascinated by it, held in the firm grasp of this fascination, and cannot break away from its influence. His second purpose was to expose the system by which paroled or discharged convicts are preyed upon by certain types of detectives who desire their services as stool pigeons, and hamper them in every way in their desire to do right and lead good lives. His third desire in writing the play was to portray graphically one or more instances where a criminal has been helped to better himself and forsake a life of crime through the good offices of others. In this particular case, Valentine is changed from his course downward by the love of a good woman and that love is sufficiently compelling to bring about his complete regeneration. Mr. Armstrong asserts that whatever may be the ultimate "money-getting" power of his play, he has accomplished what he set out to do—and made his three points reasonably clear to the average theater-goer.

GUIDE FOR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

Christmas shoppers will find their wants well supplied in the stores of Wichita Falls this year, and the only trouble they will experience is in making the selections. There is so much to choose from, so many many pretty and enduring things that every one wants and that every one wants to give. So many desirable gifts that will make of Christmas 1911 a day of everlasting remembrance in the minds of the recipients.

Probably one of the first places gift-buyers will go to and one where they will be sure not to be disappointed in finding a suitable and acceptable gift for any member of the family or for any friend or loved one, will be the Freear-Brin furniture store. Never in the history of this store has such elaborate preparations been made for Christmas business, and the big store is replete with a multitude of the most beautiful furniture designs ever shown anywhere. There is single pieces in chairs, rockers, desks, music cabinets, buffets, china closets, library tables and book cases, chiffoniers, and dressing tables, and beautiful brass beds, and tables to match for every room in the house. And the little folks have not been forgotten either, for there is a multitude of cute little doll cabs, and writing desks, chairs and rockers, and everything to fit up the home for the little mothers. And one of the handy features of the Freear-Brin store right at this time when we all want to buy so much, is that you can buy now and pay for it later, a little at a time.

P. W. Nolen Mercantile Co.
And coming down the street from the big furniture store, one can drop into the P. W. Nolen Mercantile Co.'s store, where they can find all the good things to eat. Christmas would not really be Christmas without a big dinner and Mr. Nolen has seen to it that his customers will not lack in having the very best that the market affords. He has got an extra choice line of fruits of all kinds—of apples, oranges, bananas, figs, lemons, raisins and the all necessary cranberries, and nuts and candies galore, to fill the little stockings with and help make the day all that it should be. The firm also carries all the best there is in the staples at the lowest possible prices and giving with each order that is entrusted to them a guarantee of absolute satisfaction. The firm is one of the oldest in the city and have always merited and enjoyed the confidence of Christmas buyers, and this year will be no exception.

Wichita Candy Kitchen.
And for the sweetmeats and confections, of course the Wichita Candy Kitchen is carrying one of the best lines in the city. Most of the goods sold by this firm is made right in their own kitchen, and are as pure and sweet and good as it is possible for candy to be. In addition they also handle some of the best known makes of chocolate and bon bons, including the famous Gunther candies. This year they have made a specialty of fancy Christmas box goods and any wife or sister or sweetheart in Wichita Falls will be delighted to receive one of these beautiful boxes. They range in size from half pounds to

four and five pound boxes, dressed in the season's greetings. The firm also makes ice cream and ices, and will take your order for these now, for delivery Christmas morning. Drop in at the Wichita Candy Kitchen on Ohio avenue if you want to see and cat some of the nicest candy and confections you ever enjoyed.

McCarthy & Son.
McCarthy & Son have been in the mercantile business here just a year, but in that time they have demonstrated to a large number of satisfied customers that they know how to price goods to attract trade, and have been unusually successful. The firm carries a big general line with a special lot of Christmas goods. The firm is known pretty generally all over Northwest Texas and Southwestern Oklahoma, and customers come to trade with them for a distance of more than forty miles. All the good things for the holiday dinner table will be found at their store, including the staples and fancy lines, and a good showing of dry goods and ladies wear, men's clothing and shoes, fur furnishings and novelties, is also made.

The Wichita Produce Co.
Though strictly a wholesale house the Wichita Produce Company does more to add to the good cheer of the holidays than almost any concern in the city, by reason of the fact that they bring to us all our fruits, fresh vegetables, nuts and a heap of other good things. Just now the company is making a special showing of Oregon apples, which are displayed in enticing array in most of the retail groceries and confectionery stores of the city. The company selects these apples themselves and buy them in carload lots. They have the reputation of being the best apples grown anywhere in the world, and certainly the samples shown in the stores are all that is claimed for them. The company buys all of its stuff direct from the growers, handling all the fresh fruits from every part of the world, as well as vegetables and nuts. It serves a territory out of Wichita Falls for more than a hundred miles and has big warehouses and sales departments in several other places.

In Toyland.
The China Palace, at 713 Indiana is a China palace for sure at this season of the year, and not only china is found there, but almost everything else that might be wanted. Especially are the little one looked after, and if you are out this week looking for something to gladden the heart of any boy or girl, don't forget to drop into the China Palace. You can find toys galore, direct from the work shops of old Santa Claus himself, and lots of things for the grown-ups as well. There's a beautiful show of dinner sets and splendid single pieces in pretty decorated ware. There is shimmering glassware, and nobby toilet sets, and pictures and frames and books and albums, just a nice big collection of the innumerable things that help one so in choosing the gifts and all of it at such moderate prices that any one can fit their pocket-book.

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WICHITA THEATRE

Tuesday, December 19th

MY LINE IS LAUGHS AND I GOT THE GOODS—BOB. BLAKE

The Traveling Salesmen

Comedy by **James Forbes**
Author of the **Chorus Lady**

"This comedy will make the whole land laugh"
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Solid year in New York Six Months in Chicago

Prices.....25c, 50c, \$1.00, \$1.50

Seats on sale at Marchman's Drug Store—Phone 233

Texas News Briefly Told

Houston, Dec. 16.—Sam Schliakrug, B. W. Barnes was identified today as the man who shot and killed here last night when mistaken for a burglar by

Houston, Dec. 16.—More than seven inches of rainfall have been recorded here in the past 11 days.

Sherman, Dec. 16.—The State this morning began its argument in the case against Louie Coffman, charged with wife murder. Special Prosecuting Attorney Abernathy asked the jury to inflict the death penalty.

Houston, Dec. 16.—Justice Crocker will investigate the facts surrounding the killing of Mrs. C. K. Smith here ten days ago. Her husband is in jail recovering from wounds and charged with murder. Lloyd Whitmar, who is under bond, also wounded and charged with assault with intent to murder. Each charges the other with firing the fatal shot. Smith alleges that Whitmar is responsible for his domestic infelicity and Whitmar, who is but 19, declares he simply regarded Mrs. Smith as a mother. The little daughter of the dead woman, it is said, asserts that Whitmar fired the fatal shot.

Dallas, Texas, Dec. 16.—Work on the big hotel here was still suspended today by a dispute between the two carpenters' unions, the Amalgamated Association of Carpenters and the United Brotherhood of Carpenters.

Waxahachie, Texas, Dec. 16.—The man who was shot and killed here last night when mistaken for a burglar by

says one. And so, it would seem, the girl with the blondedecree complexion has just about twice the chance of being loved and married as her darker rival.

Marriage license clerks in the larger cities will tell you that two-thirds of young America is today marrying blondes. A Cleveland, O., paper recently conducted an exhaustive research to determine just what percentage of blondes and brunettes are being married and this figure is the result.

Expert testimony adduces the startling fact that blondes are essentially feminine, and that practically all of the militant suffragettes are brunettes. But the girls with the flashing eyes and the raven locks declare all the celebrated beauties of the world, as well as the literary lights among the women, are mostly brunettes.

And then, again, artists almost always paint their beauties as blondes. Blondes say it is nothing unusual a man should prefer them to their darker sisters. "It is only the development of human nature, and men naturally like to look at some one whose type is different from the ordinary run, they say.

And women, with no individuality of their own, try to borrow some look for in women, whom they ask to sail with them on that ever-turbulent matrimonial sea. At least, this is what statisticians would have us believe.

Even then, however, fickle man may turn from blondes and throw the bolt of his affection toward the black-tressed beauties. It all depends on his taste when there is scarcity.

No. It is neither of these. It is because they seldom have that clinging, helpless disposition that men look for in women, whom they ask to sail with them on that ever-turbulent matrimonial sea. At least, this is what statisticians would have us believe.

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The blonde type of woman has been developed by a long process of selection, in which men have always favored the golden-haired girls to those who boast of darker tresses.

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Realistic scene from the "Clansman" coming next Saturday.

A. S. Fonville's Great Showing OF HOLIDAY GOODS

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Emblem Charms
Emblem Pins
Emblem Rings
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Cigarette Cases
Cuff Buttons
Scarf Pins
Studs
Fountain Pens
Safety Razors
Hat Marks
Match Boxes
Tie Clips
Pocket Knives
Shaving Sets
Smoking Sets
Travelling Cases
Umbrellas
Cigar Jars
Military Brushes
Hat Brushes
Clothes Brushes
Hair Brushes
Grip Tags
Shaving Mugs
Card Cases
Nail Clips
Paper Cutters
Ash Trays
Signet Rings
Key Rings
Stems

GIFTS FOR LADIES

Diamond Rings
Birthstone Rings
Band Rings
Shirtwaist Rings
Cluster Rings
Diamond Brooches
Bar Pins
Bracelets
Collar Pins
Cuff Pins
Earrings
La Vallieres
Locketts
Neck Chains
Pendants
Veil Pins
Watches
Chattelaing Pins
Watch Fobs
Gombs
Hair Pins
Jewel Cases
Card Cases
Mesh Bags
Leather Bags
Manicure Sets
Toilet Sets
Sterling Photo Frames
Puff Boxes
Hair Receivers
Perfume Bottles
Pin-Trays
Fountain Pens
Cut Glass Handkerchief Boxes
Cut Glass Glove Boxes
Umbrellas
Cuff Links
Belt Pins

GIFTS FOR THE HOME

Celery Trays
Bread Trays
Tea Sets
Gravy Boats
Cream and Sugars
Syrup Pitchers
Butter Dishes
Mayonnaise Bowls
Stationery
Electrolites
Cut Glass Bowls
China Bowls
Hand Painted Plates
Chocolate Sets
Silver Fruit Bowls
Jardelires
Candleabra
Picture Frames
Gold China
Salt Sets

Never in the history of Wichita Falls has there been shown such a beautiful stock of Jewelry, Cut Glass, Parasols, Silver, China and in fact anything carried by a first-class jewelry store.

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Umbrellas
Card Cases
Napkin Rings
Military Brushes
Clothes Brushes
Tie Clips
Fountain Pens
Stamp Boxes
Grip Tags
Pocket Knives
Necklaces
Brooches
Bracelets
Beads
Collar Pins
Combs
Watches
Chattelaing Pins
Hat Pins
Cuff Pins
Cuff Buttons
Book Marks
Vanity Cases
Jewel Boxes
Card Cases
Mesh Purses
Locketts
Neck Chains
Manicure Sets
Toilet Sets
Signet Rings
Birthstone Rings
Photo Frames
Chafing Dishes

GIFTS FOR INFANTS

Rings
Mugs
Knife, Fork and Spoon Sets
Baby Spoons
Souvenir Spoons
Necklaces
Bracelets
Baby Pins
Rattles
Brush and Comb Sets

GIFTS FOR THE HOME

Berry Spoons
Bouillon Spoons
Butter Knives
Carving Sets
Cheese Scoops
Cold Meat Forks
Cream Ladles
Fruit Knives
Fish Knives
Gravy Ladles
Knives and Forks
Nut Sets
Pie Servers
Sugar Tongs
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News From the Oil Fields

The most important development of the week in the oil fields around Wichita Falls has been the striking of oil and gas in the Ninety Nine Pumping Company's well northwest of Petrolia. While it cannot be learned just how much oil the well will produce, it is known that there is considerable oil and the gas itself is of great importance as the well extends the proven gas territory over two miles to the westward. The well is now capped and it is believed that it will be drilled deeper unless the oil flow comes on stronger.

At Electra several wells have been completed during the week but no new territory has been developed. A new location has been made near Day Station and a showing of oil was made in the Honaker well. Drilling in nearly all the wild cat wells scattered over this section has progressed very favorably considering the heavy rains. These rains will furnish water for drilling operations at many points where the lack of water was causing a serious handicap.

Notes From Electra.

The big oil companies report they will have six hundred tank men in the Electra field next week. Teams are now busy hauling steel.

Another big oil land deal is being marketed two miles east of town. The big noises are now being made east of town and the promising prospects of all the wells east warrant much confidence.

The Corsicana Petroleum Company brought in a good well on the Allen lease, just east of the Red River Company's eighty acre tract.

Bob Sanders had the misfortune to twist off about one thousand feet of drill pipe in the Culberson well on Woodruff Heights last Saturday night, but was fortunate enough to pick it up Monday and expects to reach the 1900 foot sand in the next few days.

Red River No. 11 caught fire Wednesday night about 10 o'clock from drilling into the gas. They immediately laid steam line from their boilers to the fire and extinguished the flame in about three hours. The loss was not very heavy.

Woodruff and Putnam No. 13 was brought in Sunday and regardless of the number it came in a good one.

The location is not out of the proven territory, but is a location on the east side of the lease and means an extension to the lease proper.

The Honaker Oil and Gas Company found a nice sand last week about 1500 feet in their well about four miles west of the proven territory, a six-inch packer was set and balling commenced Saturday night, but the packer failed to hold and a new one was ordered and at this writing we have no information as to what the well is showing. The News man was on the derrick Monday morning while the baller was running and a very nice showing of oil and gas was seen, considering the fact that the hole was nearly full of mud and water. We were very much impressed with the showing and look for a well to be developed.

Benedum and Trees Plans.

(Lawton Star-News)
That responsible firms think well of the oil and gas prospects of this section is again confirmed by the arrival at Abbeotone of the tools and engine of the Steel City Oil and Gas Company of Pittsburg, Pa. It is generally known that this is a company of magnitude largely interested in other fields of the country and when its representatives enter a field that field is not abandoned until it is thoroughly demonstrated that oil and gas does not exist in quantities that warrant further development. The company's representatives thoroughly investigate a field, however, before entering it for development. Mr. Paul Trees and Mr. M. L. Clovis have been in this vicinity practically all summer investigating the field and securing the leases.

Notwithstanding the fact that the first step taken by these gentlemen was to visit the banks of the city and give the most satisfactory reference considerable difficulty was experienced in securing the number of leases required by the company before it will enter a field. As is known the farmers of late have been reluctant to part with leases on account of previous experiences with speculators. However the Steel City people are now in possession of leases to the amount of 14,000 acres.

As stated above the tools are all on the ground, as is the engine. The derrick is enroute and will arrive within the next few days, as will be the casing. The contractor is here with his men and no time will be

lost after the arrival of the balance of the equipment. There will be no cessation of work after it is once started. Two shifts will operate, working twelve hours each.

When it is known that the principal stockholders in the Steel City company are Benedum and Trees, the multi-millionaire oil men, the public will take due notice of the fact that real oil men are in the territory, the Benedum and Trees Oil Company have the largest holdings of any independent oil company in the United States and have opened up some of this country's largest fields, among them the Illinois field and the Caddo fields, in Louisiana.

Advices were received at Devol, Okla., this week that E. A. Hill, the Davis, Okla., oil man, had closed a contract with an experienced driller to drill a test on the 6000-acre lease around Devol. It is expected the rig will arrive at Devol within the next ten days.

Promote Company to Drill Near Quannah.

Anson H. Russell, an oil operator of Cleveland, Ohio, joined the colony of oil men at the Westland yesterday and is seeking some oil properties for a party of Eastern capitalists. He will go over the field the first of next week.

Last night a number of Quannah people had a meeting and bought from J. C. Marshall 136 3-10 acres of land situated just beyond the feed lots north of the city, and decided to plat same into lots 50x140 feet with streets and alleys.

The meeting resolved itself into the Hardeman County Deep Well Company, an unincorporated organization, which will soon be succeeded by a regular incorporated company which will undertake the sale of the lots, the proceeds from which will be used for drilling deep wells with the purpose of finding petroleum, gas or water, either of which, if in commercial quantities, will precipitate new life into this community.

It has been predicted by professional oil men that the section where the property is located is oil bearing, and that a prospect well will develop that fact.—Quannah Observer.

The Fort Worth and Denver's receipts at Electra during November are reported to have been \$114,000. This was probably the biggest business done by any station on the Fort Worth and Denver.

W. M. Stephenson, the Datoon,



Texas oil man who has been at Grandfield, Okla., for several months, left a few days ago to spend the holidays at home. He stated that he would return early in January with a drilling outfit. His first operations will be between Randlett and Red River.

The Grandfield Oil and Gas Company recently organized, is still taking leases about Grandfield. Officials of the company say it has money in the bank to pay for drilling a well and that work will start as soon as the necessary leases have been secured.

Drilling has been resumed on the deep well at Altus after having been abandoned at a depth of fifteen hundred feet. Mr. Nichols, the driller is hopeful of finding oil.

December 17.

1707—Rev. Gurdon Saltonstall, of New London, elected governor of Connecticut.

1764—The governor of New Hampshire issued a proclamation declaring the claims of New York to the territory of Vermont were absolute.

1793—The first parliament of Lower Canada met at Quebec.

1807—John Greenleaf Whittier, the famous poet, born in East Haverhill, Mass. Died in Hampton Falls, N. H., Sept. 7, 1892.

1841—The Roman Catholic diocese of Toronto, was established.

1895—Pres. Cleveland sent to Congress his memorable message on Venezuela.

LORENE BARKLEO TELLS HER STORY

WIFE OF SLAIN MAN REVIEWS FIRST MEETING WITH HUSBAND, THE COURTSHIP AND BRIEF BUT HAPPY MARRIED LIFE.

HER FORTITUDE BREAKS

Girl Widow Bursts Into Tears When She Tells of Finding Shot Ridden Body.

Special to the Times.

Lawton, Okla., Dec. 17.—While the two hundred court attendants listened in strained silence, Lorene Barkleo, girl-widow of Jesse Barkleo, Thursday told the story of her entire life since the age of remembrance, her first meeting with deceased husband, the courtship and the brief but happy married life. Decidedly pretty and dressed in deepest mourning this young girl whose life has been shadowed by the greatest tragedy which could destroy a happy home, spoke calmly and bravely of events which led to the staying of the man whom she had chosen to share her life. Not once was her fortitude broken until she was led to speak of the finding of the shot ridden body of her young husband when she broke entirely down and wept unrestrainedly for several minutes. It was, possibly, the most dramatic period which will be developed during this hard fought trial. Almost every eye in the court room was diffused with the tear of sympathy, many of the women weeping audibly. Tears trickled down the cheeks of a number of the jurymen, when with the words "I found him dead" the girl-widow broke into passionate weeping.

Lorene Barkleo, in brief told the story of her life. How she had lived with her family at Charlie, Texas, until 12 years of age when the family moved to their present home. How she had always done any and every kind of work there was to be done. Picked cotton in the fields and plowed since the age of seven years. That she had never gone to school although school houses had always been near her home because her father and mother did not wish her to go. Had only visited a school once or twice in her lifetime. Had seen but little of the social side of life for the reason that her parents

would not allow it. When she did go out a member of the family had accompanied her. She had never been allowed to have a beau. She was 16 years of age the 8th of last July.

She told the story in detail of her love, courtship and marriage, from the time she had first seen Barkleo when he came to play cards at the Gallant home. How he came there to work and they were thrown together in the home and the fields. How they learned to love each other and jealously guarded the secret because they knew their marriage would not be considered by her parents. How the elopement was planned and carried out, their driving to a minister's home and being wed at 5 o'clock in the morning. Also of signing her father's name to the order for a license.

The elopement took place on the night of the 9th day of August. When asked why she had said nothing to her parents about her contemplated marriage she said that she knew they would never permit it—that they had said that girls should never marry before they were 30 years of age, and would be better off then if they stayed at home.

When asked as to the dress she wore to be married in she replied that she wore the best she had, a five-cent lawn dress. She told of the future movements of herself and husband, how they drove to the house of the deceased brother and remained there until the 21st of December, stayed at Joiners four months where they picked cotton side by side in the fields returning to Comanche county, Jan. 1st. Had seen her folks a few times. How her folks came to the Daniels house where they were staying and tried to get her to go home. Said they tried to make her go but she would not go with them. Jesse Fletcher was with them. They finally, after working with neighbors, went to housekeeping on the Will Cornelius place where the tragedy occurred.

She said Jesse Barkleo had always treated her well and provided well for her. That he was much better to her than Jesse Fletcher had ever been.

How herself and husband had planned to go to the home of his mother on the 10th day of July. She told of the arrangements made to get a leave and said she had gone to the Gallant home to get a dress. Jesse Fletcher was there and had asked her when she was going away and she told him "about noon" and he then replied "O, so soon?" Had later seen him going across the field—had a blue shirt on. Later saw J. F. Cor-

nelius coming from the east with his mules in a lode. He told her that her husband had been killed, that Fletcher had killed him. She begged him to take her to her husband but he said he must go and phone for officers but she could take the team. She attempted to do so but was prevented by her sister, who held her, and by her mother, who held the heads of the mules. She finally started on a run for home.

While running across the field she passed within 30 or 40 feet of Jesse Fletcher and he said "You needn't go down there I have killed him and his brains are on the ground." She ran down there and found her husband's body lying on the ground. His body was taken in the Cornelius home and from there to Temple. He was buried northeast of Comanche.

Rigid cross examination failed to shake the witness in material points in her story as told. She stated she could read and write that she had learned partly by herself and her sister had helped her. Insisted parents would not send her to school. Had sometimes said they would place her in a convent. Had visited several people a number of times and drove her sister's pony. Father was superintendent of Sunday school and she sometimes went with him. Played cards quite frequently at home. Did not mean anything wrong when she signed her father's name to the order for a license. Yes, supposed her father lover her.

The testimony of Mrs. Gallant, mother of Loren, was just opposite to that of Lorene. She said they had tried many times to get Lorene to go to school but that she would not go. Did not like to study. That they were always good to her and that she was only whipped a few times when she was young. That her father always got her anything she wanted. That they had purchased a piano for her fifteenth birthday but it was late in coming and after Lorene had married they did not desire it. That she was allowed to go to places and they had never told her she could not marry until she was thirty. That is almost killed them all when Lorene eloped.

The Brotherhood of Railway Clerks has appointed a committee to select a suitable site near Cleveland for a large brotherhood farm, where the unemployed and the aged members of the brotherhood may have a home and at the same time earn their living by farm work.

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THE RED CROSS CHRISTMAS



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Red Cross Christmas Seal



Charles L. Magee, Secretary of the American Red Cross



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A Post-Office Booth



Taking the Cure

Christmas—meaning in this instance not merely the day, but the whole holiday season,—marks, literally as well as figuratively, the culmination of the year's activities of the American Red Cross. Rather odd, is it not? It seems natural enough that the interval in December that rounds out the twelve months should be the busiest of the whole period for shop, keepers and store clerks and delivery men and letter carriers and all the others in our national community whose services are essential to the conduct of the annual merrymaking. But no person who had not looked into the matter would be expected to guess that the yuletide is a time of high tension at the headquarters and branch offices of the great humanitarian organization.

The experience of the past few years would seem to warrant the assertion that the Christmas prelude is actually the busiest season of the year with the Red Cross. Perhaps that is too strong a statement to make unqualifiedly, however, for the Red Cross in the role of a good Samaritan ever ready to rush to the aid of the needy in any part of the world can never predict what season of the year will bring it the heaviest responsibilities. Famine, floods, hurricanes, warfare and pestilence are destructive agents that seldom give warning of their coming. Yet to undo their havoc is a task which this great humanitarian organization must undertake at a moment's notice. But, even with an eye to the unexpected, it may be said that under normal conditions and in so far as routine work is concerned Christmas is a time of top speed in Red Cross activities.

First and foremost of the causes of the bustle of the Red Cross Christmas is that familiar bright-hued token, the Christmas Seal. It seems a small object to call so much energy into play. Individually the Christmas Seal is a sticker no larger than a postage stamp. Indeed they called them Red Cross Christmas Stamps at first and until

some folks got the idea they could be used in payment of postage for carrying letters through the mails. But insignificant as these bits of gummed paper are individually they are mighty formidable collectively. The mere selling of them at a penny apiece is a task that enlists the efforts of thousands of the country,—most of them volunteer sales folk. And how great a chore is the distribution of the little souvenirs and the keeping tab on sales may be imagined from the fact that the Red Cross last Christmas sold thirty-one millions of the diminutive greetings for which the American people paid an aggregate of \$10,000.

Probably every one of our readers well remember when the Red Cross took on the role of a Christmas merchant, for it was only a few years ago that the Red Cross Christmas stamp first made its appearance. Most people who paste these gaudy dwarf mottoes on their Xmas letters and the packages look upon the idea as an American innovation. It seems, however, that something of the same scheme was tried in Europe quite a while ago,—in the little kingdom of Denmark to be exact. Jacob Riis, who has done so much for the betterment of conditions among the poor of New York City, gets credit for having imported the idea to this country, and the Red Cross took it up and developed it as it had never been done in Europe in all the years they had the plan before we took hold of it.

What a large part this pretty Christmas custom fostered by the Red Cross has come to play in the lives of the people of the United States was eloquently attested by the avalanche of protests that poured into Washington a few weeks ago when it was erroneously reported that the Postmaster-General was going to put a ban on the Santa Claus seals. The only basis for the rumor was an official edict that the stickers must be

placed on the backs of envelopes and not on the address side. It had been found that when the public had free rein to place the Christmas seals anywhere it chose—even in the upper right-hand corner that is supposedly reserved for the regular postage stamp, confusion was certain to result and consequently it was decided that the Red Cross stamps and Uncle Sam's stamps must not be allowed in closer proximity than opposite sides of the envelope.

And, speaking of the hold of the Christmas seals upon ye sentimentalists at yuletide it may as well be confessed that the Red Cross officials themselves rather expected that the use of the stickers would prove a fad in which public interest might subside after a year. In reality this has not proven the case and if anything enthusiasm seems to increase rather than diminish. When those in charge of laying in a stock of Christmas seals for the holiday season of 1911 received reports from the agents throughout the country who attend to the marketing of the tiny trophies they found that to supply all the prospective vendors from Maine to California would require not less than fifty millions of the seals and accordingly that has been made a "first order" with a strong possibility that it will have to be increased later.

Every year, a new design is selected for the Christmas stamps—some of the country's leading artists having donated sketches for such use—and

the one for the holidays of 1911 is easily one of the handsomest that has yet appeared. The stamp is resplendent in red and green, the Christmas colors, and has the main portions of a red-rimmed circle devoted to a wintry landscape with evergreen trees and a snow covered cottage from the windows of which come ruddy gleams. In the sky is a conspicuous red cross while below in green are the words Merry Christmas and Happy New Year together with the date. This year's sticker is, in effect, essentially a seal rather than a stamp although the circular design one inch in diameter is printed on a white ground and the perforations divide these into squares just as in the case with postage or other stamps.

One of the interesting features of the present Red Cross Christmas is that the great organization of which President Taft is the head has this year adopted a new plan of disposing of the Christmas seals. "Of course everybody understands that the Red Cross does not make any profit, in the ordinary sense of the term, from its Christmas enterprise. All the income, aside from the actual expense of printing and distributing the stamps, is devoted to the cause of humanity, and so conscientious is the Red Cross in these matters that whereas at the outset it required 20 per cent of the gross receipts for these necessary expenses, there have been devised economies that now enable the conduct of the enterprise

with an outlay of only 12 1/2 per cent.

The idea of the Christmas campaign ever since it was inaugurated has not seen merely raise general Red Cross funds—money that would be poured into the common fund to relieve distress wherever found in the wake of disaster. On the contrary the special object of this fanciful Christmas charity has all along been to raise money for the fight against the "white plague" and as a matter of fact all of the receipts from the sale of stamps, except the 12 1/2 per cent needed for printing, transportation and other expenses, has been devoted to anti-tuberculosis work throughout the country—each section or community benefiting directly in proportion to the volume of stamp sales in its own locality.

The Red Cross, has since it took up this Christmas merchandising, been doing much of its anti-tuberculosis work through the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis, there being many "fresh air camps" and like institutions throughout the country that have been wholly dependent upon the outpouring of pennies at Christmas for their upkeep. This alliance has now led the Red Cross to put into practice a new policy with reference to the Christmas sale of 1911. It has been nothing less than the transfer to the Tuberculosis Association above mentioned of all the details of the

Christmas Seal campaign. The Red Cross will continue to fix the general policies to be followed in the Christmas project; will decide upon the character and quantity of Christmas seals to be printed and will exercise a general supervision over all the work of placing the good will messengers in the hands of the people, but the other organization will appoint the agents to every town and city up and down the land and will carry on the voluminous correspondence with these representatives in incident to the sale of stickers that is in progress throughout the entire month of December.

No mention of the Red Cross Christmas, or at least the Red Cross Christmas of 1911, would be complete without mention of the very valuable Christmas present which the Red Cross is making to the whole American people. This gift is what is known as a First Aid Car and its function is to travel up and down the railroads of the country (the railroad companies, generously transport it free of charge) stopping at towns and cities enroute to instruct volunteer Red Cross workers in "first aid" work. It might be termed a missionary car and its advent seems especially appropriate at this season of universal good will, for it will be the instrument of rendering efficient a corps of industrial workers who will have the knowledge to extend emergency relief measures to their fellow toilers in time of mishap. The Red Cross has had one of these First Aid cars for nearly a year now and it has been steadily employed in giving instructions in first aid to the employees of various railroad systems. The second car that is now provided will make it possible to arrange this work on a better basis, one car traversing the territory east of the Mississippi River and the other performing a like service west of the Mississippi.

While on the subject of the railroad work of the Red Cross it may not be amiss to mention that an admirer of the present President of the United States has turned over to the Red Cross the sum of \$5,000 which he desires shall be known as the William Howard Taft Fund. The income from this newly-created fund (which might be characterized as yet another Christmas present) is to be paid in prizes each year to the railroad employees who perform first aid

work requiring skill and coolness of an unusual character. Four annual prizes have already been established, respectively \$50, \$25, \$15, and \$10. The Red Cross Christmas has been the means of heightening the holiday pleasure of a large number of young people in every State and Territory. Reference is not made to the legion who derive a sense of satisfaction from the purchase of the stamps, knowing that they are doing a good deed thereby, but rather to the young women and children who give their services free of charge for the sale of the Christmas stamps on the streets and in the stores of hundreds of towns and cities.

The little folks who essay the sale of Red Cross stamps on the streets are liable to have a chilly task in many localities, but the custom is rather discouraged now in favor of the better one of selling the stamps at specially arranged booths in stores, at church fairs, in hotels and in short, wherever the buying public congregates. Of course the logical place for a Christmas stamp booth is in the postoffice whence come the gift-givers to mail their presents. In most towns and cities where space will permit the postmasters have been very good especially after allowing the Red Cross representatives to have space near the letter and package drops and when the vendors are fortified in such position he must be indeed a stony-hearted individual who can run the gauntlet with his parcels and emerge without a sprinkling of the seals of usefulness. The postal authorities of some of the foreign governments notably our testy friend, John Bull did not take kindly at first to the idea of the Red Cross Christmas tokens when attached to letters sent abroad, but most of them have somewhat modified their opposition.

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Doll Mannequins that set the Modes in Shop Windows

PERHAPS the most interesting dollies in the world are the dainty little figurines, toggled out in accordance with Madam Mode's latest mandate, which some of the large dry goods shops exhibit in their show windows. About two years ago the first of these tiny ladies of fashion began to make an appearance in America in a very exclusive shop on Fifth avenue. Now they are to be seen in several places and every now and then the small mannequins disappear, to be replaced with others more up-to-the-minute in costume.

These wonderful dollies are made by an artist's wife over in Germany, and though there have been many attempts to copy the doll fashion plates, nobody seems able to give the same lifelike touch, the same grace and action, the same indefinable chic and style and dash that this German lady puts into each tiny figure. The little doll people seem to be really alive—to possess personality—and each is as graceful and as distinguished as a famous courtesier.

The dollies are about six inches high; some of them reaching up to eight inch height, the child dollies of course being proportionately smaller. They stand on round velvet cushions and may be used for pin cushions if desired; though not all the shops which display them will sell them for this



purpose. Every detail of the costume is exquisitely correct; for example note the garter-top boots on the little lady who has a child by the hand. These new garter boots are the craze in Paris now. The buttoned garter top of suede or cloth in some delicate

shade is attached directly to a patent leather vamp; but the doll's feet are usually made of wood through which passes the wire which forms the foundation for the supple figure.

It is this wire foundation that makes the tiny figure so supple and pliable though consummate art is employed to bend the wires exactly right to produce the natural poses. The skating girls are really skating, you will observe and the mother and child are strolling along in leisurely fashion.

Over the "bony structure" of wires cotton batting is wound, body and limbs being carefully modeled in lifelike fashion and no pains are spared to have the costumes modishly perfect. The smart suit worn by the young mother, for instance, has a cut-away coat and tunic of black satin meteor over a skirt of white cloth, the coat having exaggerated white satin revers and cuffs of the white cloth. Coat and tunic are lined with the white satin. The hat with its airette trimming is a masterpiece of chic and reticule and parasol, carried and worn to accentuate an oblique line across the costume, are decidedly knowing in effect. The little girl wears the last cry in satin coats, with a trimming of corded puffing, and her hat is a becoming bonnet of draped straw with satin roses in



pastel shades at one side. The hands and feet of the little figures are the only crude parts, but so cleverly are these members manipulated that they do not spoil the effect of the perfect grace and distinction of costume. The skating girls are dressed for winter weather, and though the photograph does not show it, their costumes form a delicate color harmony. In fact the artistic combination of colors is a feature of this artist's work. One finds no harsh contrasts, no strong primary, reds, yellows or blues, no loud pinks or screaming greens; but lovely, subtle tones of

taupe, mauve, catwaba, olive, pale canary, dashing flame and coral hues and soft French and Dutch blues, exactly like the fashionable shades in real costumes.

One of the skating girls wears a velvet suit of tobacco brown—just now a very modish shade—with trimming of dark fur and a fur muff to match. Her toque is also of the brown velvet with a band of gold lace and a shaded quill of split ostrich. Her reticule is of mustard brown faille with gold lace and a gold cord handle. He little companion wears a tailored suit of green mixed wool fabric with a cut-away coat showing a vest of pale corn-colored faille. Her furs are tawny gray, like Australian opossum, and her hat is of green-gold net with a feather made of chenille in green and yellow shades. She carries a reticule of white velvet beaded with green and gold.

If you consider the making of such doll mannequins a childish and frivolous occupation, just try some day, to wrap bits of cotton over wire hairpins, for instance, and then to make the wires take the lifelike and artistic poses of these tiny figurines. Then, if you will, endeavor to design, cut and make garments, tiny enough to cover your tiny mannequin, and make them take when on the chic and distinguished lines of the dolls made by the little German lady who originated the idea of the doll fashion plates. You will admit that a deal of skill and art craft goes into the fashioning, not only of the lifelike little figures, but the Parisian costumes as well.

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Electra Oil Fields

Within 8 months has become the centre of vast financial consideration and investments already and dependent involve millions of dollars. The Guffey Co. is erecting a refinery at Fort Worth; Pierce-Fordyce Ass'n. erecting a refinery at Fort Worth also. The Texas Co. also the Magnolia Petroleum Co. as well as above mentioned concerns are building pipe lines from Dallas, Fort Worth and Corsicana into Electra.

"The Oil Field Journal" of Nov. 30th details over 60 rigs, drilling and derricks at Electra since augmented probably 20 per cent. The same journal credits the field with 12,000 barrels daily output but other wells coming in since then have increased the production to almost 15,000 daily barrels.

The Magnolia Petroleum Company has 17 tanks in and ordered for its present tank farm. They have ordered 10 more tanks to erect on another farm purchased by them.

The Pierce-Fordyce Association has purchased land south and east of Electra on the Fort Worth and Denver Railroad for a tank farm and shipping site and are shipping oil and erecting tanks.

The purchase by them of 100,000 barrels alone from the Producers' Oil Company puts them in business at once.

The Texas Company is building an 8 inch line from Electra to Dallas connecting with their refinery at the latter point. The Magnolia Petroleum Co. is going to pipe from Electra to Corsicana.

A 120 acre lease in section 11 was taken over for \$12,000.00 cash; also \$24,000.00 or \$75.00 an acre in cash lies in an Electra bank to be paid the owners for a lease on 320 acres land in section 10, this lies just south of Flanagan & Stussel lease. The land in this vicinity is held in large blocks which prohibits the speculator of small means to even get a chance to later annex comfortable little fortunes from a small investment which was had by some prior to developments in other sections of the field in earlier days. For instance one party recently sold $4\frac{1}{2}$ acres in fee for \$1750.00 an acre, he paid \$300.00 an acre and the fellow that sold at that price had originally paid \$25.00 an acre. The parties owning it have an oil well thereon, and they have a good thing. This land was at time of the \$300.00

sale over a mile from the field. Some Electra people cut up 40 acres, $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles east of the city limits, in lots 40x150 feet and readily disposed of them at \$150.00 each. Small acreage such as 5 or 10 acres, as in former fields can not be obtained here. The spirit and money is in this field to take anything offered because they know and realize the present and future magnitude of this field. It is not so much a question of selling as getting stuff offered. 54 oil lots 40x150 feet in Electra that was put on the market Sept. 20th, at \$200.00 each was wholly taken and paid for inside of 24 hours. \$500.00 each has since been refused, so it goes and that doesn't seem to be all. A confirmed conviction exists among the old fellows in the game that the blow off and boom has not arrived. This is not openly admitted but the big money is going in every day just the same.—Wichita Daily Times, Dec. 9th, 1911.

READ AND REMEMBER THESE FACTS

I told you on my last offering to hurry "don't wait till the last day they will all be gone." I sold everything inside of 24 hours. I know what I am talking about and I tell you now to hurry on this sale "They will all be gone." Blue prints can be seen and secured and tracts bought from Ed R. List or W. G. Skelly, Westland Hotel; W. E. Golden, Howard Hotel; F. D. Woodruff, Electra; First National Bank or Huff, Barwise & Bullington's office. All monies: 1st \$400.00 and payments payable into First National Bank, Wichita Falls.

If you can't come in person you can make reservation by mailing \$400.00 to said bank, but you can not delay as the people on the ground, speculators and investors from all over the U. S. will eat this up. Don't overlook the fact that these lots may become the richest kind of oil producing territory.
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2. The taxes are paid for this year.
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The average number of wage earners employed in the boot and shoe industry during the year was 136,297 in 1909 and 160,294 in 1904, an increase of 38,003 or 24 per cent. Their wages increased from \$73,673,000 to \$164,400,000 or 35 per cent.

LEAN CHRISTMAS FOR WALL STREET

"The Street" Crowd Not Looking Forward to Holiday With Customary Joyful Anticipation.

New York, Dec. 17.—Wall street employees, from the six dollar a week office boy to the office managers with salaries reaching five figures a year, are not looking forward to Christmas this year with their customary joyful anticipation. It has been a lean year a very lean year for the street, and as a consequence the word has gone out that it will be a pitifully emaciated Santa Claus that will go around distributing the Christmas and end of the year bonuses during the next two weeks. The year has been a poor one for the brokers from the very start and the recent slump was scarcely necessary to aid the glooms in giving the joys the final knockout punch.

The clerical forces of the great stock exchange houses will be the chief sufferers from the falling off in the bonus funds. Scarcely any of the large houses will end the year clear for they have experienced a big decrease in business and at the same time have been under as heavy expense in maintaining their private wire systems and branch houses as in the "fat" years.

The bank employees probably will fare much better this year than the brokerage forces, though this condition usually is reversed when the stock exchange firms are prosperous. The men back of the big banks are all possessed of great wealth and they argue that it would be poor policy to make their employees suffer for the smaller returns of the past twelve months. Several of the great banking houses make it a rule to give their managers and clerks fifty per cent of their salaries at the end of the year, and ten and even twenty-five per cent distributions are not uncommon. It is not believed, however, that any firm will give 100 per cent bonuses this year, as was done by several houses in 1901.

BASEBALL NOTES

McCoy Pitts, an Appalachian league player, was accidentally shot and killed in Georgia recently.

Bill Abstein and Rube Kissinger, two old Eastern leaguers, have been sold by Jersey City to Memphis.

William Elmer of Cleveland and Jack Kennedy of Baltimore will do umpiring in the Cotton States league next season.

Members of the Philadelphia Nationals, who took the trip to Cuba, say that Catcher Miller, the new Quaker, is sure to make good.

A new league may be formed in Western Pennsylvania to include Butler, Franklin, Beaver Falls, New Castle, Oil City and Meadville.

Umpire Bob Emslie has won another trap-shooting championship. And for several years players have been yelling that Bob couldn't see and should wear a pair of "cheaters."

President Murphy, of the Cubs, says that he is going to engage a corps of "virile" scouts next season. We do not know what he means; but the minor leagues have enough trouble without having this "virile" thing tossed at them.

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Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus: I go to school. I am nine years old. I am in the 4th grade. I want a moving picture machine, a box of checkers, and anything else you want to bring me.—Paul C. Bundy, 1200 5th street.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy four years old, my brother has to write for me. I want a drum, a horn, and a pop-gun, anything else you want to bring me.—Frank N. Bundy, 1200 5th street.

Dear Santa Claus: Sister and myself want a ring and a doll, and doll bed, some oranges, nuts, and candy, and a little bank to put money in. That is all we want. Dear old Santy—Myrtle and Mable Williamson.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl of four years I am looking for you to come to see me Christmas. Will you bring me a large doll, a doll buggy, a small piano, a cat, a dog, a goat, a tiger in fact all the pretty things you can spare. I aid mamma in dish washing, drying, etc. Don't you think I am smart. Your friend—Gladys Lee Nelson, 808 Bluff street.

Dear Santa Claus: I am too little to write so will get mamma to write for me, and I will tell her what I want. I want a big horn, a top, a rocking horse, some nuts, candy and a Christmas tree like you brought me last year. Please don't forget my little cousins in Oregon for they live so far away. Yours respectfully—John R. Matney.

Dear Santa Claus: Will you please bring me a doll, doll bed, and doll mattress, a piano, stove, and doll trunk. I would also like to get a doll buggy, Santa, please do not forget to bring these things, for I am a good little girl and love you very much.—Marie Chandler.

Dear Santa Claus: I want a baby doll, a doll trunk, and if you want to bring anything else, bring it along. I am a little girl seven years old. I am in the first grade, but my brother is writing for me.—Mabel Dorris Bundy, 1200 5th street.

Dear Santa Claus: I will write and tell you what I would like for Christmas. I want a baby buggy, one doll that I can dress and one dressed, a bracelet, and necklace, and a Christmas tree, and some candy, and nuts and oranges.—Dottie May Willard.

Dear Santa Claus: Kindly make a record of my wants

for Christmas. I want you to be as liberal with me as possible. Bring me a horse and wagon an auto, a kit of tools, a rubber ball, a jumping jack, a horn, six bunches of fire crackers, six roman candles, some fruit some nuts, etc. I shall expect you. Yours truly—W. D. Nelson, aged seven years. 808 Bluff.

Dear Santa Claus: I want you to bring me a tricycle, and I want a little table and two chairs, and oh, Santa, bring my little brother, Barton, a tricycle and a box of colors and some fruit, candy, and nuts. I am a little girl seven years old. Barton is five.—Jaunietta Perry.

Dear Santa Claus: I want a big doll with black hair and I want it dressed in white, with a white sash, and a white ribbon on her hair. I want white shoes and stockings on her. I want a doll chest to put my dishes in. I want a table and some chairs. I want a big red purse. My little sister, there years old, wants a piano and a doll dressed in white.—Josephine Bullock.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy ten years old. I want an air gun, some candies, apples, nuts and fire crackers. With love.—Small Gus.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy six years old, and there are lots of things I want you to bring me. I have tried to be a good boy. First I want an airship like Mr. Rodgers, an iron train with a track, a football, some marbles, and a drum. Be sure and remember my papa and mama. We will be in Fort Worth Christmas, so please send all of the things there at 1900 8th avenue. Now, I hope that I have not asked for too many things. Very truly—Wanna Faunt Le Roy.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy four years old. I have tried to be a very good boy this year, and I want you to please bring me a big wagon, a drum, a horn, and a football, and a new gun, and some nuts, candy and oranges. Hoping that you will be well and will come I am your good little boy.—Ralph Lindsey.

Dear Santa Claus: I have been very sick, but am better now, and I want a big doll, and a doll buggy and a doll trunk, and a set of dishes and a whole lot of fire works.—Irene Catter, 1208 Indiana avenue.

Dear Santa Claus: I wish that you would bring me a top, an engine, and a big rocking horse.—Ralph Stoner Duke.

Dear Santa Claus: I want a doll and a doll buggy, and a table. I wish that you would bring me these for Christmas.—Ruby Duke, 1201 Bluff.

Dear Santa Claus: I hope that you won't forget me. I want you to bring me a ring, and some hair ribbon, and the little doll that you had for me, you may give to some little girl that never had one. Your loving friend—Georgia Rohatch. I am 10 years old and I want some fruit and candy.

Dear Santa Claus: I want a knife and an Indian suit, and a pair of gantlet gloves, and a wigwag.—J. B. Ferguson.

Dear Santa Claus: I can hardly wait for you to come again. I want you to please bring me a doll buggy. One that folds up and its back turns down. It has a top on it, and I want a Christmas tree, some candy, nuts, and oranges, and some doll dresses, and I believe that this is all for this time, so good-bye, dear Santa Claus. From your little friend—Bessie Oliver, Worden, Ill.

P. S. Dear editor, please print as papa gets your paper.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl eight years old. I want a doll and doll buggy, and a set of dishes. Some candy and nuts and some fruit. I know that you won't forget me. I live on Seventh street, 1402. That is all, good-bye.—Kathleen Walsh.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl six years old. I wish that you would bring me a doll, a go-cart with a top on it, a set of big dishes, and a doll bed, and fill my stockings with candy and nuts, and be sure to put in a nigger-toe. Please remember my little uncle, Hugh, in Atlanta, Ga., for his mama is dead. Santa Claus, I love you a whole lot. I am your little friend.—Sylvia Harrison, 1920 8th street.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little cripple boy, and I am sure that you won't forget me. Listen, and I'll tell you what I want you to bring me. I want a nice brown suit, an automobile, and nine bunches of fire crackers. I live at 1407 7th street. Please bring little Billie and Marion something too. Your little friend—Jack Walsh.

Dear Santa Claus: I want you to bring me a tricycle, and fill my stockings with candy, nuts and oranges, and my little brother, Marryel, wants a horse hitched to a wagon, and his stocking filled with goodies. We try to be good boys. Good-bye.—Hewell Holbert.

The Winning Pitchers Last Season

League	Name	Club	W.	L.	Reports 1912 to
American Ass'n	Patterson	Minneapolis	23	11	Minneapolis (A. A.)
American	Bender	Philadelphia	17	5	Philadelphia (Am. L.)
Appalachian	Silvers	Knoxville	13	5	Knoxville (A. L.)
Blue Grass	Scheneberg	Paris	12	9	Paris (B. G. L.)
Carolina Ass'n	Swindell	Winston-Salem	29	8	Cleveland (Am. L.)
Central Ass'n	Boyd	Ottumwa	30	7	Cincinnati (Nat. L.)
Central	Alberts	Fort Wayne	16	6	Fort Wayne (C. L.)
Cotton States	Comstock	Vicksburg	21	4	Indianapolis (A. A.)
Eastern	McConnell	Rochester	36	8	New York (Am. L.)
Mountain States	Baumgardner	Huntington	32	9	St. Louis (Am. L.)
National	Marquard	New York	24	7	New York (Nat. L.)
Nebraska State	Stevens	Superior	18	6	Superior (N. S. L.)
New England	Wolfgang	Lowell	27	5	St. Louis (Am. L.)
Ohio State	Grandle	Chillicothe	18	6	Chillicothe (O. S. L.)
Pacific Coast	Ables	Oakland	22	12	New York (Am. L.)
Southeastern	Nelson	Anniston	11	3	Birmingham (S. L.)
Southern	Hess	New Orleans	28	8	Boston (Nat. L.)
Southern Michigan	Jacobson	Kalamazoo	26	9	Kalamazoo (S. M. L.)
Three-I	Hovik	Peoria	16	7	Chicago (Am. L.)
Tri-State	Northrop	Reading	27	4	Chicago (Nat. L.)
Union Ass'n	Dressen	Salt Lake City	12	3	Chicago (Nat. L.)
Virginia	Vance	Petersburg	11	0	Petersburg (V. L.)
Western Canada	Narverton	Moose Jaw	25	8	Moose Jaw (W. C. L.)
Wisconsin-Illinois	Slapnicka	Rockford	26	7	Chicago (Nat. L.)

Leading Batters Season for Season 1911

League	Name	Club	AV.	Reports 1912 to
American Association	Cravath	Minneapolis	369	Philadelphia (Nat. L.)
American	Cobb	Detroit	420	Detroit (Am. L.)
Appalachian	Thrasher	Cleveland	351	Cleveland (App. L.)
Blue Grass	Mayer	Paris	352	Atlanta (S. L.)
Carolina Association	Wofford	Charlotte	392	Charlotte (C. A.)
Central Association	Holycross	Muscataine	361	Chicago (Am. L.)
Central	Connolly	Terre Haute	369	Terre Haute (C. L.)
Connecticut	Rosshack	Hartford	356	Hartford (Conn. L.)
Cotton States	Smith	Hattiesburg	401	Hattiesburg (C. S. L.)
Eastern	Perry	Providence	343	Providence (E. L.)
Kitty	Hart	Fulton	360	Philadelphia (Nat. L.)
National	Wagner	Pittsburg	324	Pittsburg (Nat. L.)
Nebraska State	Coyle	Superior	354	Omaha (W. L.)
New York State	Schaffly	Troy	344	Jersey City (E. L.)
Northwestern	Baer	Seattle	355	New York (Nat. L.)
Ohio State	Blue	Piqua	349	Piqua (O. S. L.)
Pacific Coast	Heitmueller	Los Angeles	343	Los Angeles (P. C. L.)
Southern	Smith	Nashville	317	Brooklyn (Nat. L.)
Southern Michigan	Connors	Jackson	377	Jackson (S. M. L.)
Texas-Oklahoma	Naylor	Wichita Falls	358	Wichita Falls (T. O. L.)
Three-I	Johnson	Decatur	320	New York (Nat. L.)
Tri-State	Cookill	Reading	360	Reading (Tri-S. L.)
Union Association	Huelman	Great Falls	411	Memphis (S. L.)
Virginia	Block	Norfolk	330	St. Louis (Nat. L.)
Western Canada	O'Brien	Calgary	392	Calgary (W. C. L.)
Western	Cassady	Denver	342	Denver (W. L.)
Wisconsin-Illinois	Stengel	Auror	352	Toronto (E. L.)

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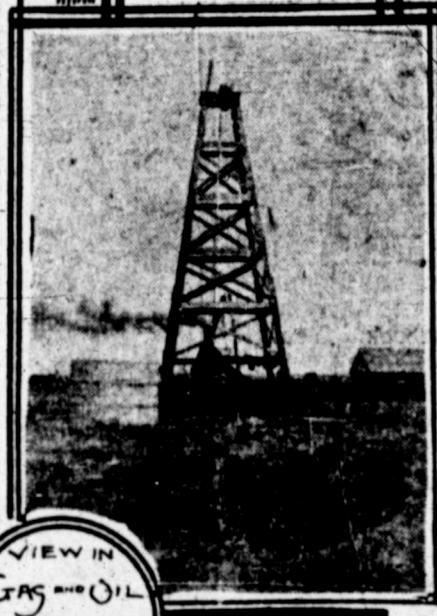
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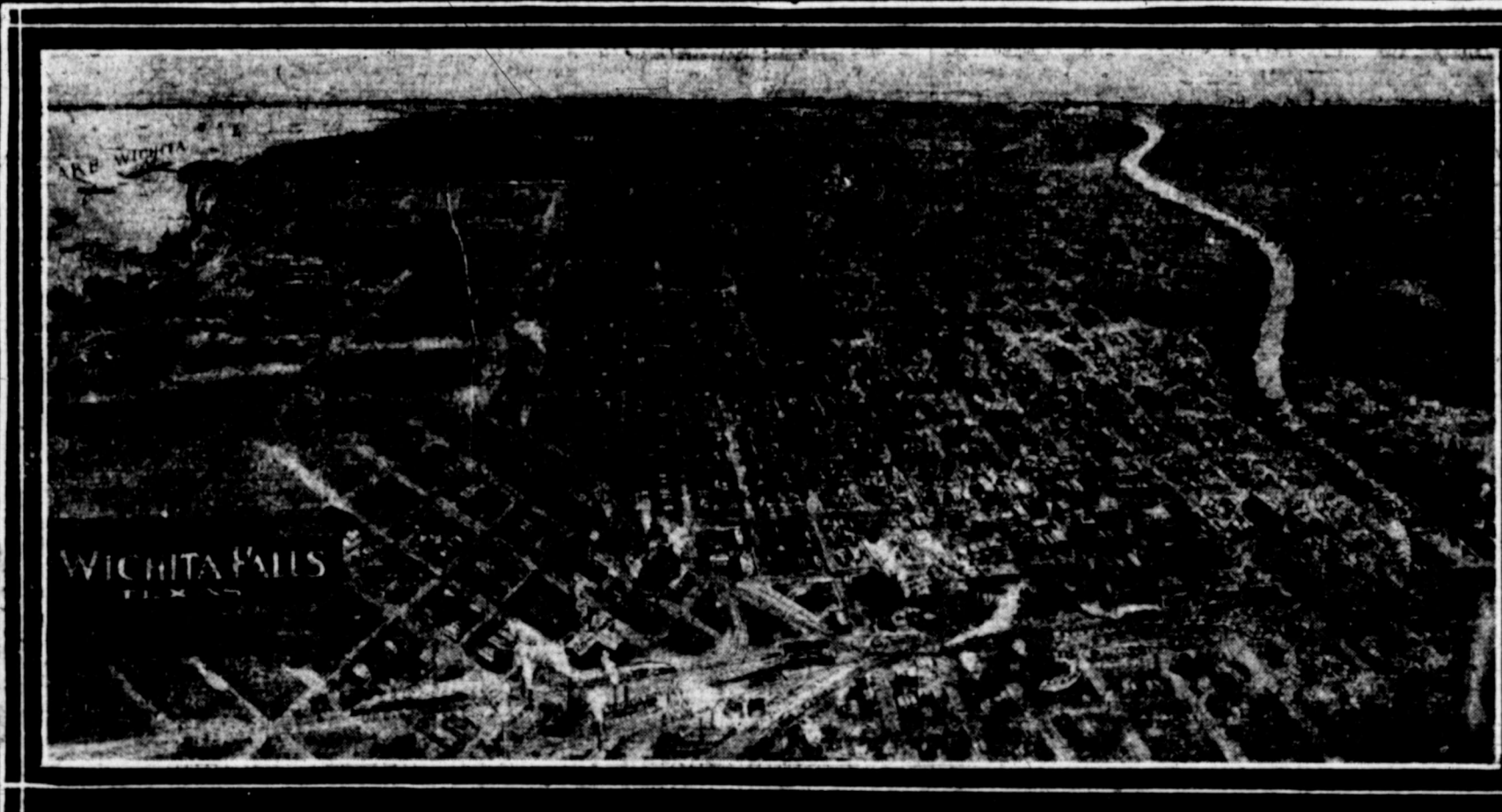
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FACTS

Population 10,500.
 Altitude 958 feet.
 Average Rainfall, 30.65.
 Bonded indebtedness \$128,000.
 Banks, 4.
 Churches, 14.
 Cheap Fuel, Natural Gas, Oil, Coal.
 Fire Department.
 Federal Building, \$100,000.
 Health Department.
 Hospitals, 2.
 Hotels, 5.
 Newspapers, 1 Daily and 2 Weekly.
 Industries, 35.
 Sidewalks, 50 miles, cement.
 Railroads, 6.
 Storm and sanitary sewer 15 miles.
 Opera House, \$50,000.
 Public Schools, six.

FIGURES

Assessed value, 1911, \$5,740,000.
 Increase in two years, \$2,000,000.
 Increase in population in ten years
 230.65 per cent.
 Monthly railroad pay roll, \$75,000.
 Postoffice receipts: 1908, \$26,991.05
 In 1910, \$35,098.59.
 Increase, \$8,107.54.
 Monthly pay roll of Mfg. In. \$625,000.
 Monthly product, \$500,000.
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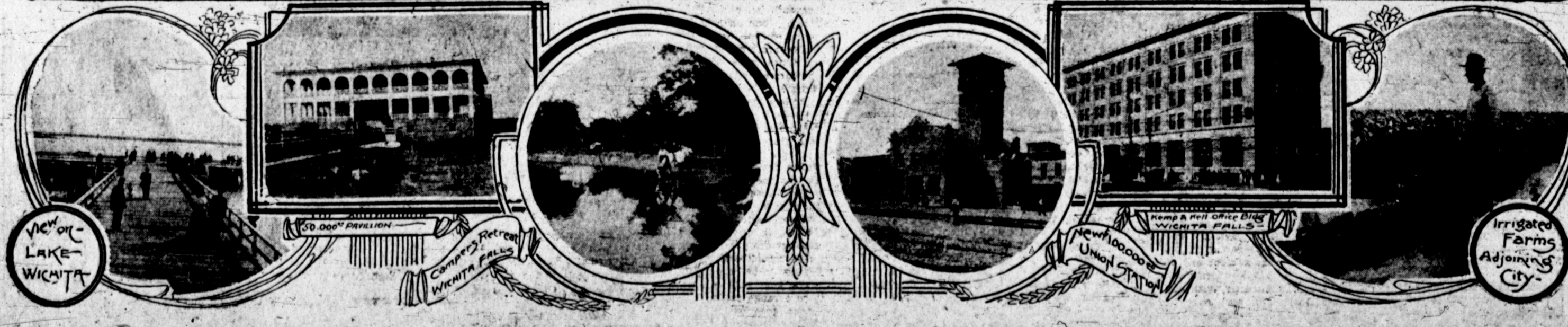
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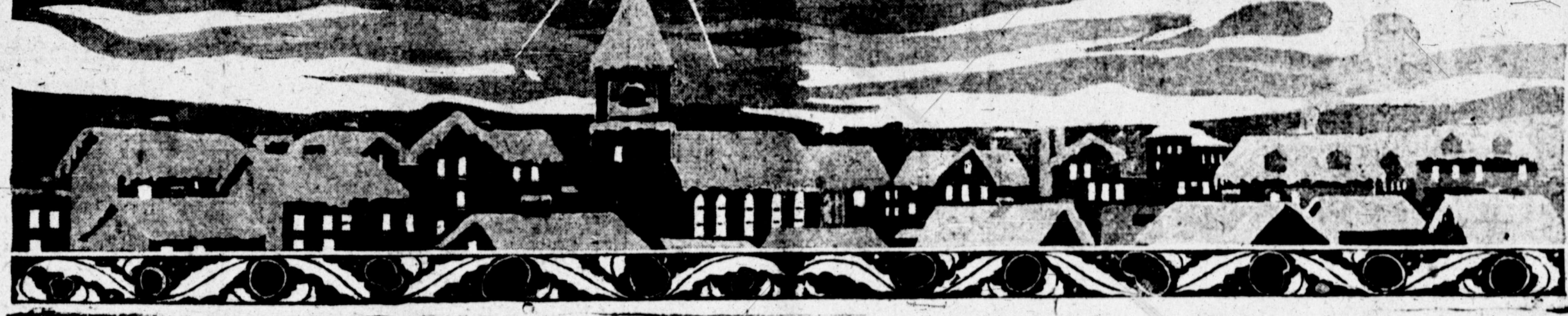


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Roosevelt on the McNamara Case

New York, Dec. 17.—Theodore Roosevelt has an editorial article in the current issue of The Outlook relating to the McNamara case, entitled "Murder is Murder." The article says:

"Not only laboring men, but business men, capitalists, have at times shown the worst form of class consciousness—that of sinister and brutal class selfishness in standing by criminals simply because they were of their own class. This has been done by capitalists in the case of brazen corruption, and by laborers in the case of labor leaders who have been guilty of murderous violence. The two offenses stand on a par from the standpoint of damage to the community. In San Francisco, in one municipal contest the capitalists who desired to be free from all check on corruption and the labor leaders who desired to be free from all check on lawless violence struck hands and elected their ticket; and this proved in the end to be a lasting misfortune to San Francisco, to the cause of honest business, and to the cause of honest labor."

"Since the startling outcome of the McNamara trial certain apologists of these men have made themselves conspicuous by asserting that these depraved criminals, who have on their seared souls the murder of so many innocent persons—all of them laboring people, by the way—are victims, or at worst fanatics, who should receive sympathy because they were acting in what they regarded as a war on behalf of their class. The plea is monstrous in its folly and its wickedness. It is precisely the kind of plea sometimes advanced on behalf of a crooked man of great wealth caught bribing a legislature—that he has to do it to protect his business. We are not here dealing with any of the kinds of offenses incidental to the sudden and sweeping changes brought about by modern industrial conditions into which capitalists or labor men are sometimes drawn without any very great conscious moral turpitude on their part. We are dealing with crimes as old as the law-giving from Sinai, with crimes—murder and theft—that have been prohibited ever since the decalogue was formulated. The murders committed by men like the McNamaras, although nominally in the interest of organized labor, differ not one whit in moral culpability from those committed by the Black Hand, or by any band of mere cut-throats, and are fraught with an infinitely heavier menace to society. Yet, great though the menace is to the community, the menace to the cause of honest organized labor is still greater, and so duty is more imperatively laid on the leaders of

labor than the duty of affirmatively freeing themselves and their followers from the taint of responsibility for such criminals and such crimes. The labor leaders who by their loud championship of the McNamaras—as previously of Meyer and Haywood—have succeeded in identifying them with the cause of labor in the eyes of the public have rendered an evil service to that cause. Mr. Debs and the extremists of his type among the so-called political Socialists—I say so-called because Debs and his followers of the Emma Goldman kind are not Socialists at all in any true sense of the word, but mere inciters to murder and preachers of applied anarchy—and the labor leaders affiliated with them, have always boasted of the part they played in the trial of Meyer and Haywood; and in this case they repeated their familiar tactics, and held mass-meetings, and scattered broadcast papers and addresses in which they furiously denounced the effort to bring wrong-doers to justice, and sought to arouse every evil class instinct against all who upheld the cause of law or sought to put a stop to assassination and murderous violence. It is worth noting that since McNamara confessed his guilt Mr. Meyer, the head of what purports to be a labor organization, is reported in the press as commenting upon it, not by denouncing McNamara for having committed the murder, but by denouncing him for having confessed it. Such denunciation is significant. "Murder is murder, and the foolish sentimentalists or sinister wrong-doers who try to apologize for it as an 'incident of labor warfare' are not only morally culpable but are enemies of the American people, and, above all, are enemies of American wage workers. In honorable contrast to these men stand the various labor leaders who have never asked for more than a fair trial for the McNamaras, whose purpose has only been to get justice, and who now sternly demand that murder shall be punished when committed in the nominal interest of labor precisely as under any other circumstances. I believe with all my heart in the American workingman; I believe with all my heart in organized labor for labor must be organized in order to protect and secure its rights; and therefore with all my strength I urge my fellow citizens the American men and women who earn their livelihood as wage-workers, to see that their leaders stand for honesty and obedience to the law, and to set their faces like flint against any effort to identify the cause of organized labor, directly or indirectly, with any movement which in any shape or way benefits by the commission of crimes of lawless and murderous violence."

COTTON SEED DETERIORATES

TWO SUCCESSIVE DRY YEARS HAVE RESULTED IN LOWERING OF VITALITY AND DEPRECIATION OF QUALITY.

GOOD SEED ESSENTIAL

D. P. Talley, of Wichita Cotton Oil Mill Heading Movement to Secure Better Seed.

D. P. Talley, secretary and general manager of the Wichita Cotton Oil Company is urging the mill men, gin men, farmers, and business men in general in this section to secure good cotton seed for the crop to be planted next spring. Mr. Talley believes, and this belief is shared by all who know anything about cotton growing, that as the result of the two consecutive dry years the seed grown here was greatly deteriorated both in vitality and in quality and that unless this seed is replaced by good vital seed, the crop next year will plainly show the result. Mr. Talley has had reprinted and has sent broadcast throughout this section an address delivered by R. L. Bennett of the U. S. Department of Agriculture relative to the selection and planting of cotton, seed accompanying this he has sent a letter which says in part:

"From the information I have, the yield of cotton per acre within a radius of about 30 miles of Wichita Falls—south of Red River is the poorest in the United States. While this year's drought rendered it impossible for this section to produce a good yield, yet investigation will show you that in some sections where the drought was just as severe as here, but where attention is paid by farmers to pure seed selection, their yield per acre is very much better than in this section. In some sections the Boards of Trade, Banks, Merchants, Oil Mills and Gins combine in a campaign of education, and even offer inducements to farmers, in their efforts to bring about the planting of selected seed from good crop selections. Many seedfitters throughout the country advocate the change of seed every few years even on farms where fairly good crops were raised. If that is advisable, then, how very much more important is it that none of the seed produced in this section this year be put back into the ground. I use the word important—the fact is, I consider it necessary—that this entire section import some first-class seed for planting if we are to increase miserably yield this year. I believe that the

seed raised around here this year will not produce a good crop even though we should have ideal weather conditions next spring and summer. We have been working every variety of this seed at our mill for the past seven weeks and I can say truly that they are the poorest quality I have handled at any time in my 16 years in the business, both from a planting and an oil milling standpoint.

"To leave the securing of such seed to the individual farmer means that very few will get them, as they do not know where to locate them, and to buy in less than car lots means an added extra expense in local freight. By co-operation of all concerned a carload or more could be purchased for each community by some designated party and these handled in each town should co-operate in inducing the farmers to not plant the poor seed they have, but to trade them to these designated agencies on some liberal basis, paying the small difference in cash.

"It should not be expected that the gins and the oil mill shoulder the whole burden of securing and distributing the seed necessary to be shipped to the several towns in this section. Farmers, bankers, merchants and land owners are more vitally interested in a cotton crop than the combined gins and mills, in fact the prosperity of the community as a whole is largely affected by a poor cotton crop. This year the gins are less able to handle such an undertaking than any other of our business concerns, because the present short crop will leave few of the gins any profit in operating and many of them will close the season with a loss, hence they simply are not in financial position to do so, and particularly not in position to carry any accounts. Neither should this be left entirely to the oil mill, since the value of the seed out of a cotton crop is from one-seventh to not exceeding one-third less than that of the lint cotton, which means that other lines of business are affected from three to seven times more than the oil mill. If the farmer fails the merchants collections will be bad, and the banks will likely have to carry the load. Following this year's general crop failure, the average farmer may not feel able to pay for such seed, though if possible for him to do so it would be one of the very best investments he could make. We shall be glad and are anxious to do our full part in this matter, and are willing to take part in a plan by which the farmer can exchange the poor seed he has for good seed on a liberal basis, any small difference to be paid by the bank or merchant with whom he has an account to so arrange for him."

Mr. Talley then goes on to state that his mill was "recently offered

from one to fifteen carloads of guaranteed selected seed put up in sacks of about three bushels each, in carload lots at 75 to 80 cents per bushel and says:

"Now, in the absence of any better plan suggested by you for your town, I suggest as what seems to me a fair plan, that we will without expense to anyone do the buying of the selected seed, have one carload shipped to each gin, the bank with whom that gin does business to pay for the carload and charge to the account of the gin with the understanding that the gin will sell same for cash only or in trade for other seed and as such sales or trades are made will deposit the proceeds against that charge, and if all the seed have not been sold by next fall we will help the gin take the seed and settle the account against same with the bank. Where the farmer cannot pay cash, or cannot pay in cash the difference where he trades other seed, then some merchant, bank or banker in the town with whom the farmer carries an account will pay this for him. We will arrange with the gin to trade this good seed for the poor seed on what we consider a most liberal basis, and although these trades will extend far past our operating season we will still take the poor seed and pay for them and we will also arrange with the gin on a satisfactory basis to help take up the good seed next fall, if necessary."

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FOR THE CLOSING WEEK The prices on many lines will be lower than ever. We find on going through the stock that in many lines we are still carrying too heavy a stock and on these we have cut the price to a point that will move them. Here are a few samples:

<p>EVERY LADIES' SUIT IN THE HOUSE AT HALF PRICE.</p> <p>Every suit is this season's choicest styles and are made of the latest and most popular fabrics, such as French Serges, Fancy Sibelines, Fancy Mixtures, Broadcloths, Etc., black and prominent colors.</p> <p>\$13.50 values Clearance Sale Price \$6 75</p> <p>\$15.00 values Clearance Sale Price \$7 50</p> <p>\$17.50 values Clearance Sale Price \$8 75</p> <p>\$22.50 values Clearance Sale Price \$11 25</p> <p>\$25.00 values Clearance Sale Price \$12 50</p> <p>\$27.50 values Clearance Sale Price \$13 75</p> <p>\$32.50 values Clearance Sale Price \$16 25</p> <p>\$35.00 values Clearance Sale Price \$17 50</p> <p>LADIES' LONG GLOVES.</p> <p>Ladies Long Gloves, 16 button at \$3 19</p> <p>Ten per cent discount on all short Kid Gloves.</p>	<p>LADIES SKIRTS.</p> <p>In Novelties, Serges and Panamas, with the price cut in two.</p> <p>\$20.00 Ladies' Skirts Sale Price \$10 00</p> <p>\$15.00 Ladies' Skirts Sale Price \$7 50</p> <p>\$10.00 Ladies' Skirts Sale Price \$5 00</p> <p>\$7.50 Ladies' Skirts Sale Price \$3 75</p> <p>\$5.00 Ladies' Skirts Sale Price \$2 50</p> <p>NEW PETTICOATS.</p> <p>We have just received a new shipment of Messaline Petticoats, in black and fancy colors, with oocordean pleated flounces, finished with fringe. Especially priced for this sale at \$2 49 \$3 19 \$3 98 and \$4 79</p> <p>FANCY RIBBONS.</p> <p>One lot Fancy Ribbons in beautiful colors, regular 50c and 75c values; for this week at 33c</p> <p>One lot Fancy Persian Dresden and Plaid Ribbons for fancy work and children's hair ribbons; 35c and 40c values; special at 25c</p>	<p>LADIES' SHOES AT CLEARANCE SALE PRICE.</p> <p>A splendid showing of the season's newest styles in Ladies' Footwear, in all the newest shapes and lasts, button and lace at CHALLENGE SALE PRICES.</p> <p>\$1.75 and \$2.00 Ladies' Shoes Clearance Sale Price \$1 45</p> <p>\$2.50 Ladies' Shoes in all leathers Clearance Sale Price \$2 00</p> <p>One lot Ladies' tan velvet boot, \$4.50 values; Clearance Sale Price \$2 95</p> <p>\$3.00 Ladies' Shoes, patent button and blucher Clearance Sale Price \$2 25</p> <p>One lot \$4.50 Velvet Top Boot, black and tan; Clearance Sale Price \$3 25</p> <p>\$4.00 Ladies' Selly Shoes Clearance Sale Price \$3 40</p> <p>CHILDREN'S SHOES AT CLEARANCE SALE PRICE.</p> <p>\$2.25 Children's Buster Brown Shoes Clearance Sale Price \$1 75</p> <p>\$2.00 Children's Buster Brown Shoes Clearance Sale Price \$1 50</p> <p>\$1.75 Children's Buster Brown Shoes Clearance Sale Price \$1 35</p> <p>\$1.50 Children's Buster Brown Shoes Clearance Sale Price \$1 15</p>	<p>CLEARANCE SALE MEN'S SHOES.</p> <p>\$6.50 Hanan patent leather shoes, button and blucher Clearance Sale Price \$3 95</p> <p>\$5.00 Steadfast Shoes, all leathers, blucher and button Clearance Sale Price \$2 95</p> <p>\$5.00 Barnard's Special Shoes, all leathers, button and blucher Clearance Sale Price \$2 95</p> <p>\$3.50 and \$4.00 Holland Shoes, all leathers, button and blucher Clearance Sale Price \$2 45</p> <p>\$2.50 Waldorf Shoes Clearance Sale Price \$2 15</p> <p>\$5.00 Tan Booties Clearance Sale Price \$4 25</p> <p>\$3.50 Tan Work Shoes Clearance Sale Price \$3 15</p> <p>\$2.50 Tan Work Shoes Clearance Sale Price \$2 15</p> <p>EXTRA SPECIAL.</p> <p>One lot Men's Extra Size Pants at HALF PRICE</p> <p>One lot \$1.50 Work Pants \$1 25</p> <p>Men's \$2.00 Work Pants \$1 50</p> <p>Men's Sweet Orr Jumpers and Overalls, the garment 90c</p> <p>One lot heavy Buck Gauntlet Gloves \$1.50 value for \$1 00</p>	<p>CLEARANCE SALE OF DRESS GOODS.</p> <p>50 all wool Batiste Sale Price 28c</p> <p>50 Wool Challies Sale Price 33c</p> <p>2 pieces only, Brown and Lavender Bengaline, \$1.00 value Sale Price 63c</p> <p>50c Mohairs, all colors Sale Price 33c</p> <p>\$1.00 all wool Serges, 50 inches wide, all colors; Sale Price 89c</p> <p>\$1.00 Broadcloth Sale Price 89c</p> <p>\$2.00 Broadcloth Sale Price \$1 43</p> <p>LADIES' WOOL SWEATERS.</p> <p>Ladies' All Wool Sweater Coats in all colors.</p> <p>\$2.00 values at \$1 35</p> <p>\$2.50 values at \$1 65</p> <p>\$3.00 values at \$2 00</p> <p>\$3.50 values at \$2 25</p> <p>\$4.00 values at \$2 65</p> <p>\$4.50 values at \$3 00</p> <p>\$5.00 values at \$3 35</p> <p>\$7.50 values at \$5 00</p>
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Stray Topics From Little Old New York

New York, Dec. 17.—The steamer General Slocum, 1,028 of whose passengers lost their lives when the old excursion steamer took fire in the East River on June 15, 1904, has at last found a permanent resting place on the bottom of the sea. After the fire the hull of the steamer was purchased by a man named Peter Hagen. The steamer was reconstructed into a barge and given the name Maryland. It was used after that in carrying big loads of coal, coke and other merchandise between different points on the New York and New Jersey shores. The old boat seemed to be pursued by ill-luck and many times it came near going to the bottom. On its last trip it was to carry a cargo of coke from Camden to Newark, N. J. It was in tow of a tug, but sprang a leak during a storm and sank in twenty-four feet of water.

Some time ago Dr. Gaetano Samarrell, an Italian physician of this city applied to the courts for the annulment of his marriage on the ground that his wife refused to hug and kiss him even on their honeymoon and persisted in treating him with utter frigidity. He had been in hopes that the threat involved in this petition to the courts would soften the heart of his wife, but it did not. She remained as cold as ever and would have nothing to do with him. Then the doctor planned to leave New York believing that under the existing conditions a separation would be the best thing. But, although his wife apparently had no use for him, she seriously objected to his leaving her and she obtained from the Supreme Court an order for the arrest of her husband to prevent him from leaving the State. The doctor recently withdrew his petition for the annulment of his marriage and his wife has now begun a suit for separation on the ground of abandonment.

A short time ago Mrs. Henry Vaughan, a wealthy resident of Orange, N. J., lost a pearl necklace valued at \$5,000 while on her way to New York City. She advertised her loss in the papers and offered a reward of \$1,000 for the return of the pearls, but no answer was received. She also notified the police and a detective was sent out to investigate the case. A few days ago the necklace, minus a few of the smaller pearls, was recovered. It seems that an Italian railroad laborer, living in Orange, found the necklace, alongside the railroad track, about a hundred yards from the station at Orange. He did not attach much value to the necklace

STATISTICS ABOUT THE CORN CROP

Washington, D. C., Dec. 17.—Statistics relative to the corn crop for the United States collected at the Thirtieth Decennial Census—April 15, 1910, are contained in an official statement issued today by Director Durand of the Bureau of Census, Department of Commerce and Labor. The statistics presented cover acreage, production and value for the year 1909 as compared with 1899.

The area of corn harvested increased from 91,913,673 acres in 1899 to 98,333,933 acres in 1909, a gain of 3,486,260 acres or 3.7 per cent. Notwithstanding this expansion in acreage there was a decrease in production which fell from 2,566,324,000 bushels in 1899 to 2,552,190,000 bushels in 1909, a decrease of over 100,000,000 bushels, or 4.3 per cent.

The average production per acre, doubtless by reason of temporary weather conditions, fell from 28.1 bushels to 25.9. On the other hand the value of the corn crop increased enormously from \$28,192,000 to \$1,438,554,000 a gain of over \$600,000,000 or 73.7 per cent. The average value of corn per bushel thus advanced from 31 cents to 56 or about 80 per cent.

In Texas 1909 the number of acres shown is 5,130,652 compared with 5,017,690 in 1899, an increase of 112,962 acres, or 2.2 per cent. In Texas as in other States of the Union, there was a large decrease for the decade in production, but an enormous increase in the value of the crop. In 1909 75,498,695 bushels were produced as against 109,576,350 bushels in 1899, a decrease of 34,077,655 bushels or 31.1 per cent. In 1909 the value was \$50,564,618 compared with \$34,424,911 in 1899, an increase of \$16,139,747 or 46.9 per cent.

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SKUNK OIL CURE FOR WHITE PLAGUE

Lawton, Okla., Dec. 17.—Although John D. Rockefeller has retired as active head of the Standard Oil Company, his name as the king of the oil trade will be commemorated in a newly patented cure for consumption and tuberculosis, the concoction, derived from Indian lore, of Tom Lance of Lawton.

The new medicine is made of herbs and from the oils of skunks and rattlesnakes. It was originally the result of the work of Geronimo, medicine man of the Apaches, but according to Lance, the secret was transmitted to him by Geronimo, shortly before the death of the old chief, because of favors granted in former years.

When Mr. Rockefeller offered \$1,000 reward, several years ago for the restoration of health, Lance sent him sample bottles. The oil king never sent for more medicine but in a letter he declared the samples had been of great benefit. He enclosed a check for \$500, says Lance, and requested that the new discovery be called the "Oil King Cure." That established the name.

After a fight of three years, a patent has been secured from the government patent office and Lance is busily preparing to place it on the market. Hundreds of testimonials are being collected and employees have been sent into all the woods of Southwest Oklahoma, in quest of skunks and snakes from which to draw the necessary oil supply.

Lance himself spends night after night in quest of the particular kind of herb required and of the skunk peculiarly adapted to giving forth medicinal oils and is offering \$20 a gallon for oils supplied by other people.

The menu and the cooking, and this insures to the patrons a bill of fare and a quality in cooking that will be equal to any thing found in any of the large cities.

The management has also secured Mrs. Sarah Bates to take charge of the dining room, and those who have been fortunate enough to have had Mrs. Bates wait on them at other places in the city will be glad to patronize the I X L.

The I X L is now prepared to offer the very best service and cuisine in the city, both for regular meals and short order. It will also cater especially to social affairs and banquets and theatre suppers.

News Forecast for the Coming Week

Washington, D. C., Dec. 17.—The near approach of Christmas will see the customary lull in political and public affairs. Little real work is expected of Congress, which will adjourn at the end of the week for the holiday recess.

President Taft will take advantage of the slowing down of the official machinery by running over to Brooklyn to deliver an address before the Young Republican Club of that city Tuesday night.

Archbishop Ireland of St. Paul will celebrate the golden jubilee of his ordination to the priesthood on Thursday, and it is expected the anniversary will be made the occasion for a signal manifestation of the love and esteem in which the venerable prelate is held by Americans of all creeds and classes.

A notable wedding of the week will be that of Miss Edith Pulitzer, the eldest daughter of the late Joseph Pulitzer and William S. Moore. The wedding will take place Thursday at the Pulitzer home in New York City, and it will be a very quiet affair on account of the recent death of the bride's father.

Unless the governor of Illinois grants a reprieve there will be a quadruple hanging in Chicago Friday, the first that has taken place in that city since the execution of the Haymarket anarchists. The prospective victims of the gallows are four young men convicted of the murder last October of a truck farmer.

Of interest in naval circles will be the presentation on Monday of a magnificent silver service to the battleship Florida. The service is one of the finest ever presented to an American warship. Funds for its purchase were raised by popular subscription aided by a generous appropriation from the State of Florida. The presentation will take place at Rouseca.

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1 lb. Cans Pink Salmon	10c
1 lb. Cans Lyndon Head Salmon	25c
7 Cans No. 2 Hominy	25c
5 Cans No. 2 Pie Peaches	55c
2 Cans No. 2 Charm Oysters	35c
2 Cans No. 1 Alamo Chile	25c
15c Kraft	85c
25c Bottle Bishops Chile Sauce, 2 bottles	35c
10 lb. Pails Fancy Table Syrup	40c
10-lb. Pails Fancy Table Syrup Per case 6 Pails	\$2 25
5-lb. Pails Cane Syrup	30c
10-lb. Pails Cane Syrup	55c
10-lb. Cans Old Man's Maple Syrup	\$1 25
2 1/2-lb. Cans Old Man's Fruit Syrup	35c
5-lb. Cans Bishops Fruit Syrup	45c
2 1/2-lb. Cans Bishops Fruit Syrup	25c
First Pick Corn, per can	10c
Lyndon Corn, 5 cans	55c
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PREPARATION for the CELEBRATION of the birth of Him who said "It is more blessed to give than to receive" is being made throughout the civilized world. This same man was laid to rest in Joseph's New Tomb.

The desire and the spirit of REMEMBRANCE is not new. It was manifested in the crude workings of the savage. The world stands in awe before the Pyramids of Egypt. It has been the ambition of every sculptor and artist to excel the Greeks, and our present day MEMORIALS are the admiration and achievement of modern art. If you intend placing a memorial before the New Year your time is short. Remember those dear departed loved ones. IT IS THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS.

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SEVENTY SEVEN AVIATORS WERE KILLED IN 1911

Progress in Science and Art of Flying Has Been Costly in Human Life.

New York, Dec. 17.—The progress in the science of aviation during the year now drawing to a close has been costly in human life. Beginning with the death of Lieut. Thomas E. Selfridge, the first person killed in an aeroplane, in 1908, the list of fatalities has rapidly increased, especially in the present year, when the deaths more than doubled the combined number for the three preceding years. In 1908 one man lost his life, in 1909 four, in 1910 thirty-two, and to date for the present year seventy-seven persons have been killed.

In 1911, as in preceding years, France has contributed by far the largest number of victims, her list totaling 25, including one woman, Mme. Denzle Moore, who fell at Compiègne on July 21 last. German airmen who lost their lives this year number 14, English 7, Russian 4, Italian, Austrian and Japanese, 2 each, Serbia, Spain, Belgium, Brazil, Peru and Cuba contributed one each to the death roll of the year.

Whereas in the earlier days of the science of aviation only the most fitted, mentally and physically, dared flights, nowadays great numbers of amateurs do so. As a consequence the deaths for the present year included a number of aviation pupils. Double fatalities, in which rider and passenger were killed, also were common, while on June 18 last three Frenchmen, Capt. Princetau, T. Le Martin, and M. Landron, were turned to death in midair as a result of the explosion of the aeroplane motor.

While aviation has been carried on almost as extensively in Canada as elsewhere it is interesting to note that no fatality was recorded in that country during the present year. In striking contrast is the record of the United States (including Porto Rico) in which a total of 15 aviators have met death in 1911.

The complete list of American aviators that were victims for the year is as follows:

- April 25—William G. Purvis, died at Baton Rouge, La., as result of a fall on March 5.
- May 10—Lieut. George E. M. Kelly, U. S. A., killed by fall at San Antonio, Texas.
- May 17—A. V. Hardie, an amateur, killed by fall at Los Angeles.
- July 13—P. A. Kreamer, killed by fall in biplane at Chicago.
- Aug. 15—William R. Badger, crushed to death by his machine at Chicago.
- Aug. 15—St. Croix Johnstone, fell into Lake Michigan from height of 1,000 feet at Chicago aviation meet.
- Sept. 1—J. J. Frisbie, killed by fall at Norton, Kansas, went up in a crippled machine because spectators called him a faker.
- Sept. 19—John W. Rosenbaum, killed while making a trial flight at De Witt, Iowa.
- Sept. 22—Frank W. Miller, burned to death in midair at Troy, Ohio, as result of explosion of gasoline tank.
- Sept. 22—"Dare Devil" Castellane, killed by fall at the international aviation meet on Long Island.
- Oct. 2—Cromwell Dixon, killed by a 100 foot fall at Spokane, after having made successful flight across the Rocky Mountains.
- Oct. 19—Eugene B. Ely, one of the foremost of American aviators, killed by 50 foot fall at Macon, Ga.
- Nov. 1—Prof. John Montgomery, noted as the inventor of an aeroplane glider, killed by fall near Edevalde, Cal.
- Dec. 2—Tod Schriver, well known American aviator, killed in an exhibition flight at Ponce, Porto Rico.

FRENZIED FINANCIER FACES HIS TRIAL

Jackson, Miss., Dec. 17.—The many persons who suffered financial loss through the failure several years ago of the Central Bank of Mississippi are looking forward with much interest to the trial of W. J. Rice, which is scheduled to begin Monday. Rice was the promoter of the bank and in entire control of the institution. The bank was capitalized at half a million dollars, but when it closed its doors, during the financial panic of 1907, it had less than ten dollars in its assets. Revelations following the bank's failure tended to show, according to the authorities who conducted the investigation, that Rice was a typical "Get Rich Quick Wallingford." He is alleged to have started a "wild-cat" bank and inaugurated other schemes of finance in Kentucky, Missouri, Illinois and several other States. Efforts to learn his whereabouts after the failure of the Central Bank of Mississippi authorities located the former banker at his home in Morehead, Ky., and after successfully fighting a habeas corpus proceeding that was brought to resist the requisition, returned him to Jackson to await trial on charges of embezzlement and violations of the State banking laws.

FIGHTING DICK TO RETIRE FROM NAVY

Rear Admiral Wainwright Has Seen Long Period of Active and Valiant Service.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 17.—The official life of "one of the greatest fighters best fellows and most beloved officers the service afloat has ever had" expired at midnight tonight, when by reason of the fact that tomorrow will be the sixty-second anniversary of his birth, Rear Admiral Richard Wainwright, Aid for Operations in the Navy Department, will be retired from active service. No officer in the United States Navy today is better known or better liked than "Fighting Dick" Wainwright. His record of service is long

and efficient. He graduated from the naval academy in 1888 but it was not until the early nineties that his name began to be heard outside of the service. He was executive officer of the battleship Maine when she was blown up in Havana harbor.

"I will never set my foot on Cuban soil until the Maine is avenged," Captain Wainwright declared as the waters closed over the twisted and torn hull of the American battleship as it carried down to their death 266 of its sailors and marines. For weeks, from dawn to dark, Wainwright toiled beside the wreck, directing the divers work and recovering the bodies of the dead. On April 5, long after Capt. Sigbee and his subordinates had been relieved of their painful task, Wainwright, the sole surviving officer of the Maine left in Havana harbor, pulled down the weather-stained flag that had floated day and night from the shrouds of the wrecked battleship.

When war was declared with Spain Captain Wainwright was among the first to apply for active service. He was delighted when he was placed in command of J. P. Morgan's transformed pleasure yacht, the Corsair. The little vessel was renamed the Gloucester in honor of the Massachusetts city where Wainwright was born.

BENEFITS FROM VACANT LOT GARDENS

Washington, Dec. 17.—Civic, economic and social benefits were derived by Minneapolis from the "garden club campaign" carried on there during the past season for the purpose of having all the city's vacant lots turned into flower and vegetable beds, according to Leroy J. Boughner, of Minneapolis, who told the American Civic Association in convention here today of the "vacant lot garden" work done in his home city.

It was a matter of civic pride, not an economic motive, which early last spring started the garden idea, Mr. Boughner explained. A civic celebration was to be held early in July, he said, "so we decided to have gardens to beautify the city for its hundred thousand visitors." The fact that there were 5000 acres of vacant lots in the city, "sufficient to supply the entire state with vegetables," was not enough appeal to get the citizens of Minneapolis interested; but the appeal to their civic pride caused them to plant 2,000,000 square feet to vegetables and 250,000 to flowers, said the speaker.

Mr. Boughner held Minneapolis up as a model for other cities, pointing out in detail how the vacant lots there had been transformed into bowers of flower and vegetable beauty, and called attention to some of the mistakes which had been made. So successful was this year's Garden Club campaign, however that it will be continued with renewed vigor, Mr. Boughner declared during the coming year.

"A garden is a bit of land where plants and people grow and love each other," said the speaker in describing the benefits of the work. First and foremost he placed the fact that "the use of vacant lots had satisfied the farm craze, had taught more than 700 men and women whether he desired to go back to the land. How better could a man find out that upon the small patch of land that lies next to his home?"

From an economic standpoint, Mr. Boughner declared that "so many vegetables were grown on the vacant lots of Minneapolis that tomatoes were plentiful at 75 cents a bushel whereas a year ago they were scarce and sold for \$1.50 a bushel."

A third benefit he found in this, that "most of those who had gardens belonged to the office class whose opportunities for getting out in the fresh air are small." Traveling about he said he saw hundreds of "glowing faces" as a result of "hoeing and weeding and murdering cut worms."

Again there was such a contrast this year, he declared between the lots operated by the Garden Club and those which it had not touched that "the mayor has instructed the police during the season of 1912 to enforce the ordinance covering the cutting of weeds and removal of rubbish from vacant lots" which ordinance had fallen somewhat into disuse.

The excellent impression which visitors gain of a city, Mr. Boughner pointed out as a great advantage. The model vacant lot garden at the fair grounds, he said, was seen by 750,000 people.

In a social way the results were great, he asserted. As a concrete example of this he cited a garden in a block where lived Jews, a Norwegian, two Germans and a New England family. Before the garden experiment none of the families had ever had anything in common, but before the summer was over, said Mr. Boughner, "all the families were visiting freely. The gardens in many instances—were social centers."

In telling of how the citizens were aroused to join the Garden Club, Mr. Boughner who is its president and who was chairman of the garden committee of this year's "civic celebration" declared that various methods were used but that he found that "intelligent newspaper publicity alone will cover a city with gardens."

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