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GREEK DELEGATES CAUSE HITCH

TURKISH PLENIPOTENTIARIES MAKE IT PLAIN THEY WILL NOT TREAT WITH THEM

ALLIES MAKE THREAT

Say if Ottoman Reply is Not Satisfactory Thursday Fighting Will be Resumed

By Associated Press. London, Dec. 18.—Peace plenipotentiaries of the Balkan allies met informally today to decide on their plans of action in the event Turkey declines to raise her boycott of the Hellenic delegates unless Greece signs the armistice.

The allies in the course of yesterday's meeting made it quite clear they would not enter into negotiations without Greece being allowed to participate. Dr. S. Baness, leader of the Bulgarian delegation, is quoted as saying:

"If, on Thursday, the reply of the Ottoman delegates is not satisfactory, we will break negotiations and meet again at the Tchatalja line. This will be the end of Turkey in Europe."

The consensus of opinion here, however, is that the principal obstacle will be surmounted by the delegates and the real danger will be over the future possession of the fortress of Adrianople.

As far as can be seen at present only mediation by an outside power can solve this problem.

Servia Takes Important Step

London, Dec. 18.—Servia took an important step in the direction of peace today by intimating a willingness to leave the matter of an outlet on the Adriatic Sea entirely in the hands of the great European powers.

In announcing the decision of the Servian government to take this step, the head of the Servian peace delegation added that Servia's attitude was a perfectly moderate one and that relying on the justness of her claim, and the sympathies of the European governments, she has decided to take the course indicated.

In regard to the tension between Austria, Hungary and Servia, it is generally expected direct negotiations between those nations will be begun immediately. These will take the form of conferences between the Austrian foreign minister, and the newly appointed Servian minister at Vienna.

VETERAN MERCHANT HEARS DEATH CALL

G. Y. Smith, Proprietor of "The Daylight" and Forty Years a Merchant Dead

A career of forty years as a merchant was brought to a close last night when G. Y. Smith, aged 71, succumbed to an attack of grip at his rooms at 704 Travis street. Death came at about 10:30 o'clock after an illness of only a few days, heart trouble hastening the end.

Mr. Smith at one time was the owner of a department store in Kansas City. For twenty-two years he was one of the leading merchants of Fort Worth, and his store, the Daylight, was famous over the entire state. A little more than a year ago he came to Wichita Falls and opened "The Daylight" here.

Mr. Smith was a merchant of ability and a man whose commercial dealings were above suspicion. Although he was a native of Vermont he spent the greater part of his life in the West and Southwest and was thoroughly Southern in his sympathies. His widow accompanied by Arthur Poindexter and Mrs. W. W. Brickman of Fort Worth, left this afternoon with the body for Lexington, Ky, the former home of Mrs. Smith. He leaves a daughter by a former marriage.

The Daylight Store was closed today as a mark of respect for Mr. Smith.

BOOK-KEEPING ORDER DECLARED INVALID

By Associated Press. Austin, Texas, Dec. 18.—The supreme court overruled a motion for a rehearing in the case of the Texas & Pacific vs. the Railroad Commission, finally knocking out the commission's comprehensive system of book-keeping prescribed for the railroads several years ago. The court says the commission has the power to formulate the system, but that it must be based on reasonable lines of accounting.

ONLY SIX WOMEN MARCHERS REMAIN

By Associated Press. Ossining, N. Y., Dec. 18.—Braving the rain, the six survivors of the company of suffragettes marching from New York to Albany bearing a message to Governor Sulzer resumed their journey. Stiffness of joints and blistered feet, bravely denied yesterday, were frankly acknowledged this morning. Nevertheless the little band was enthusiastic.

LADIES ARE SELLING RED CROSS SEALS

Two Sold Thousand Stamps Within a Few Hours—Others Also Sold Many

Wichita Falls ladies sold Red Cross Seals on the streets yesterday afternoon. One thousand seals were given to each pair of ladies. Two ladies sold their allotment within three hours. Others met with almost equal success.

WILSON AGAIN IS THREATENED

LETTER MAILED IN NEW YORK DEC. 16TH, BUT CONTENTS ARE WITHHELD

ONE CASE IS DISMISSED

Federal Officials Has Under Advice—Charges Against Two Other Men

Newark, N. J., Dec. 18.—President-elect Wilson's life again has been threatened by a letter writer. The letter was mailed in New York, Dec. 16, received by the governor's secretary at Trenton the next day and turned over to the postal authorities. It is in possession of United States Assistant District Attorney Lindabury who declined to discuss it.

The receipt of the second threatening letter became known late yesterday at the arraignment of Jacob and Warren Dunn and Seeley Davenport of Wharton, the three so-called mountaineers who were charged with having sent Gov. Wilson, on Nov. 11, last, a letter demanding \$5,000 under threat of death. The hearing was not concluded, but United States Commissioner Stockton dismissed the case against Warren Dunn and took under advisement a motion to make a similar ruling in the case of Davenport.

Against Jacob Dunn, alleged author of the threatening letter, the government made out a strong case. Commissioner Stockton said. He held Dunn, pending the conclusion of the hearing tomorrow afternoon, when J. Tumulty, Gov. Wilson's private secretary, will be called to testify that he received the letter. Although Mr. Tumulty was under subpoena, he did not attend the hearing, having arranged with Commissioner Stockton to be present. It was thought at that time his testimony would not be needed.

Gov. Wilson, also under subpoena, did not attend the hearing and it was said he would not be required to do so today, inasmuch as the letter never reached him.

The second letter threatening the governor's life was unsigned and a dozen or more secret service men and detectives are seeking to learn the author. It is understood the message did not reach the governor, but was intercepted, like the first one, by Mr. Tumulty. Many of the secret service men and detectives working on this case were present at the hearing. Whether the second letter was the outgrowth of the first or was connected with it in any way, Mr. Lindabury declined to say.

Five witnesses testified at the hearing. They included the postmaster at Wharton, the mail carrier who took the letter from a rural free delivery box, the carrier who sold Jacob Dunn three envelopes similar to the one containing the letter; Francis A. Butler, a postoffice inspector, and L. G. Beekman, a United States deputy marshal, who made the arrests. Butler and Beekman both testified that Jacob Dunn admitted authorship of the letter at first, but denied having written it when told what he said might be used against him.

Jacob Dunn's defense is that he made the alleged statement under duress and that he was not informed of his rights before doing so.

TRUSTEES' DAY AT INSTITUTE

REPRESENTATIVE OF CONFERENCE ON HIGHER EDUCATION EXPECTED TO BE PRESENT

VISIT TO CITY SCHOOLS

Will be Made Friday and County Teachers Will See Classes at Work

This was trustees' day at the Wichita County Teachers' Institute and phases of that part of school management were presented. Another scheduled feature was an address by Prof. J. W. Hamilton, representing the Conference for Higher Education in Texas.

Tomorrow morning the members of the Institute will visit the schools of the city and see class work in operation. Following is the program for today's sessions:

9:00 a. m., Invocation—Rev. J. P. Boone.

Schoolroom Essentials, Chapter 16—Miss Ida Gullin.

School Room Essentials, Chapter 17—Miss Lucy Herlacher.

School Evils, Such as Irregular Attendance, Tardiness, Indifference, etc.—Miss Gertrude Denny.

The Making of a Daily Progress for the Rural School—J. F. Gullett.

Corporal Punishment vs. Denial—Miss Leland.

The Work of the County Trustees—J. J. Smyer.

New School Legislation—Hon. E. P. Hayney.

The Best Way to Get New and Better School Houses—Lee Prescott.

Local Taxation—C. H. Clark.

The Work of the County Teachers—W. B. Minick.

Yesterday the Institute continued the discussion of preliminary organization and some important questions were discussed by Professors Corder, Horten, Perkins and others. Prof. Gabbart took occasion to criticize the general spirit of the discussion.

"The Library for the Teacher, Pupil and School" was presented by Miss Leola Sherrill in a very interesting paper. Miss Sherrill outlined an excellent plan for selection of a library.

Miss Ruby Craig discussed the preparation of the teacher and pupil for work.

"The preparation of the teacher," said Miss Craig, "consists not only in the preparation in the subject as a text, but the teacher is a failure if he does not keep posted in current events."

Language was the next subject taken up, and in the absence of Miss Florence Burns, Miss Lula Smith handled the topic. "The Essentials of Method" was next, by Miss Pearl Bandy.

COL. HOUSE SEES GOVERNOR WILSON

Austin Man One of Those Who Met President-Elect in New York Today

By Associated Press. New York, Dec. 18.—Governor Wilson was up early today to hold a number of conferences with prominent leaders, who are in the city, and heard his speech at the Southern Society dinner last night, at which he promised to provide exhibits of public disgrace for any man who should attempt to start a panic in the United States.

Chief among those who came to see the governor today were William F. McCombs, chairman of the Democratic committee, Vice Chairman McAdoo, Col. E. M. House of Austin, Texas, and C. Mitchell Palmer, Democratic National committeeman from Pennsylvania.

Having been out of touch with conditions here during his vacation in Bermuda, the governor will go over matters with the leaders in order to get a perspective on affairs, political and otherwise. The governor planned to remain in the city until late in the afternoon.

ARGUMENTS ON DYNAMITE CASE

IN OPENING CASE FOR GOVERNMENT BLAME IS PLACED ON POLITICIANS

ATTORNEY NOEL SPEAKS

Men Who Stood Between Offenders and Justice in Local Courts Responsible

By Associated Press. Indianapolis, Dec. 18.—Politicians "standing between labor unions and the courts" were blamed for the McNamara dynamite plot at the outset of the government's argument to the jury in the trial for the forty accused "bomb-planters" today.

Pronouncing the series of explosions as a conspiracy "more dastardly and more threatening to society than the crime of an individual," James W. Noel, special assistant district attorney, addressed the jury. "Plain assault became murderous assault. Then, unchecked by the local courts and favored politicians, the criminals grew bolder, and dynamite and nitro glycerine were resorted to," he said.

"The Los Angeles Times building was blown up, with the murder of twenty-one persons. After that, reckless disregard for life came a wanton desire to take life. Of the one hundred explosions that occurred, the government has proved that nine-two were on the property of the 'open shop' contractors or firms which refused to recognize the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers."

Many Couples Must Re-marry.

By Associated Press. Chicago, Dec. 18.—A decision of the Illinois supreme court today makes it necessary for scores of Chicago couples to re-marry if they wish their union to be recognized as legal. The court ruled that when a person violates the Illinois statute prohibiting re-marriage within a year after the divorce, the ceremony is not legal, even if performed in another state.

There have been many violations.

KUBIAK WINS DECISION OVER CARL MORRIS.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 18.—Al Kubiak of Philadelphia, was awarded the decision over Carl Morris, the Oklahoma "white hope" aspirant, at the end of their ten-round bout before the Dixie Athletic Club here last night. At the end of the bout both men apparently were fresh. Kubiak landed two blows to Morris' one, but none of them could stop the Oklahoma. Kubiak excelled at infighting. The decision on points by the referee was apparently popular.

AGED MAN SERIOUSLY HURT BY AUTOMOBILE

Jim Lewis, aged 69, sustained a broken leg last night near the corner of Twelfth and Ohio streets when he was struck by an automobile and run over. Lewis is well known to the police as "Pat." He was picked up and brought to the city hall, where Dr. Mark Moore set the broken limb this morning.

Lewis is without a home or relatives here and there is no place for him to stay while his leg heals, in the absence of a city or county hospital. There is no clue to the owner of the automobile which ran him down.

CHINESE WOMEN IN STEEL CELLS

IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS FIND SMUGGLED SLAVES HIDDEN BENEATH GROUND

TRAP DOOR ENTRANCE

Officers Had to Batter Down Steel Doors to Reach the Captives

By Associated Press. San Francisco, Dec. 18.—Locked in steel cells in a dark evil-smelling Chinese building immigration officials in a raid early today found five Chinese women who had been recently smuggled in from the Orient, and arrested two men alleged to be leaders in the traffic.

Under the leadership of United States Immigration Inspector Alsworth and the federal attorney, the entire battered door steel doors at the entrance of the building. Pitch darkness greeted the officers. Not a stairway was found in the building, access to each floor being gained by a trap door reached by a ladder.

Far below the street in a maze of underground passages, the women were found hidden in cells. The raid adds to a chain of events which has cost much blood in Chinatown. A Chinese informer, who gave information leading to previous raids, endeavored to return to China but was killed on the liner Korea. His slayer is now awaiting trial in Honolulu.

REPRESENTATIVES WOULD VOTE FOR SHEPARD

Edgar P. Haney, representative of the Hundredth district in the Texas legislature announces that he will vote for Hon. Morris Shepard for the vacancy in case Senator Bailey resigns his seat, as has been rumored.

"Mr. Shepard is the undoubted choice of the people," said Mr. Haney, "and I believe a majority of the legislators will vote for him. The senatorship is not an honorarium to be bestowed out of choice to any man. The choice of the people must govern. It will be a pleasure for me to vote for Mr. Shepard in accordance with the wishes of a majority of the voters of my district and it will be a great pleasure to cast my vote for him."

MANY BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED

The following building permits have been issued:

Mrs. M. M. Adicks, one story frame, lot 6, block 18, Jalonick addition; \$1000; Carrington, contractor.

Mrs. E. M. Brown, one story frame, lot 7, block 18, Jalonick addition; \$1350; Shaver, contractor.

L. Skrebot, one story brick, lot 7, block 1, Downing addition; \$2745; Bialkowski, contractor.

W. C. Zehnder, two story frame, lot 5 and 6, block 23, Floral Heights; \$3000; Lane, contractor.

Huff and Adicks, one story frame, lot 5, block 18, Jalonick addition; \$900; Carrington, contractor.

O. P. Womack, one story frame, lot 1, block 22; \$1050; Lee, contractor.

Wichita Produce Company, one story brick, lot 3, block 19; \$7000; Taylor Brothers, contractors.

P. S. Tullis, one story frame, lot 3, block 25; \$1900; Taylor Brothers, contractors.

L. Guggenheim, repairs building in block 163; \$1800; Taylor Brothers, contractors.

J. Eckert, one story brick, lots 13 and 14, block 184; \$1500; Bialkowski, contractor.

Street car service to the lake is interrupted this week as a result of the changing of the line so as to pass nearer the glass automobile factories, it being necessary to use some of the old rails in making the change. It is expected to have the new line in operation by January 1, giving much more convenient service to the employees of the industrial plants in the lake factory addition. The distance to the lake will be increased several hundred yards by the changed route.

The second football eleven of the high school will play the Electra high school team at Electra Saturday. Following will be the lineup for the Wichita team: Ends, Leon Waikup and Jim Barnard; tackles, Dick Wheeler and Riley Hickman; guards, William Skeen and Lucian McCoy; half backs, Ben Powell and Kyle Jones; full back, Austin Self; quarterback, A. Trotter; substitute, Edgar Gorlind; Coach, Tom Courtney.

WEATHER FORECAST

Tonight fair, freezing; Thursday fair.

NOTORIOUS OUTLAW CHIEF IS KILLED

Leader of Philippine Outlaw Gang Met Death in Encounter With Lieutenant Johnson

By Associated Press. Manila, Dec. 18.—The career of Arcani, a notorious outlaw chief in the Philippines was brought to an end today when he was killed in a personal encounter with Lieut. E. H. Johnson of the Philippine constabulary. Two other outlaws of the same band also were killed.

The force of the constabulary assisted by a detachment of Moro volunteers under the command of civil governor George A. Helfert of Samarang, met the outlaw gang near Basilan, on an island. After a sharp engagement the band scattered leaving three of their number dead.

Arcani is known to have murdered seven people, and his followers have carried out many raids.

MORGAN GOES ON WITNESS STAND

"MONEY KING" TESTIFIES BEFORE "MONEY TRUST" INVESTIGATORS FROM SENATE

To Show That Morgan's Interests Control Twenty Billions of Capital

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 18.—J. Pierpont Morgan took the stand before the House "money trust" committee at 2:40 o'clock this afternoon. His examination was immediately begun.

While Mr. Morgan, his partners and lawyers, waited two charts were placed in the record, purporting to show a mutual interest by eighteen New York, Chicago and Boston financial institutions in a 134 corporations, through inter-locking directors.

The charts were represented as showing the affiliations of 189 firm members and directors in the institutions. They purported to show those men hold, in all, 746 directorships in 134 corporations, having a total resources of twenty-five billion dollars or more.

Elaborate charts were presented, giving lists of "inter-locking directors" in a number of leading financial and industrial institutions; also a table "showing affiliations of J. P. Morgan & Company, Guaranty Trust Company, Bankers Trust Company, First National Bank and National City Bank" and other corporations, through inter-locking directorates.

This was in pursuance to that branch of the committee's inquiry bearing on the so-called "concentration of money and credit."

HOW HEARST GOT STANDARD OIL LETTERS

Forager Presents Statement of One Stewart Before Clapp Committee

Washington, Dec. 18.—Former Senator Joseph B. Foraker today produced a statement before the Senate campaign expenditure committee, prepared by J. Gilchrist Stewart, purporting to be based on a description by W. W. Winkfield of how the latter and Charles Strump took the "Archbold letters" from the Standard Oil office and sold them to a representative of William R. Hearst.

"Mr. Hearst said yesterday that he did not know how the letters were procured," said the former Senator, "such a preposterous story as that, you might tell the marines, but to ho one else."

Mr. Foraker declared, about a week ago, he had Mr. Stewart go to Chicago, where Winkfield was working as a waiter and ascertain what he knew. Upon the interview, he said, Stewart had based his report. What that report contained, Mr. Foraker proceeded to detail, declaring he did not vouch for its accuracy.

Man Hung Himself in Jail

Brownsville, Tex., Dec. 18.—Johnny Thompson, aged 50 years, hanged himself by his suspenders in the city jail this morning. When found at 9 o'clock, he was still breathing, but died within a few minutes. He was a carpenter by trade. Thompson has no relatives, so far as is known. He was in jail on a misdemeanor charge.

THRICE WIDOWED ON DECEMBER 17

FOR THIRD TIME FORT WORTH WOMAN MADE WIDOW BY TRAGEDY

CAR KILLED HUSBAND

Driver of Laundry Wagon Hurlled to Death When Street Car Struck Wagon

Fort Worth, Texas, Dec. 18.—Three times within twenty-five years, and in each instance on Dec. 17, Mrs. T. E. Berry, 1100 West Weatherford street, has been widowed by the violent death of a husband. The latest of the three tragedies occurred yesterday when T. B. Berry, driver for the Reliable laundry, was ground to pieces under a Stockyards car, between Twelfth and Exchange exchange avenue on North Main street.

Berry had stopped at the corner of North Main and Twenty-fourth street. As he started to get into his wagon two foreigners, who room on the east side of North Main, failed to him to come for their laundry. As the foreigners went into the house to get their bundles they heard the street car strike the wagon, and looking through the window, saw the driver crushed to death.

The street car, which was going north, was making good speed. H. F. Rice and other eye witnesses who were passengers say that John A. Carson, the motorman, had turned partly around and was either opening or closing the door preparatory to changing the controller and reverse keys at the end of the run.

A woman passenger saw that the car was bearing down on the wagon and screamed. The motorman, according to eye witnesses, turned and saw the wagon and sprang for the levers, shutting off the power and applying the air brakes instantly. He was too late.

The impact jerked the wagon loose from the horse and threw Berry underneath the car. The body was picked up by the fender of the car and for about half the length of the block Berry was carried that way. He was seen struggling to save himself. About the middle of the block he rolled from the fender and was ground beneath the wheels of the car, which ran to Exchange avenue before it could be brought to a stop.

The body was mangled beyond recognition. One side of the face was ground away, one ear was torn nearly off, and there was a deep cut on the back of the head. The heart was thrown from the body, to one side of the car track, where it beat for nearly five minutes, many people noting the pulsations of the "organ."

A phone call was put in for the North Fort Worth Undertaking Company, but the ambulance was out of commission, and the Robertson Company then was called. The body lay in the street for more than half an hour before M. C. Vaughan, from the undertaking company, reached the scene. The remains then was removed and taken to the undertaking establishment to be prepared for burial.

Mrs. Berry has been married twice before and both of her former husbands were killed by violence. The first, M. Haggerty, an employe of a brewery here, was shot to death Dec. 17, 1887. J. Cain, her second husband, was killed at Bastrop on Dec. 17, two years later.

Berry had been in the laundry business in one capacity or another for about twenty years. He worked successfully for the Natatorium, Reliable and Fort Worth laundries. For the past four years he has been a driver for the Reliable Company.

Berry is survived by his wife, two sons, Edgar, 17 and Earl, 15, and a stepdaughter, Mrs. S. W. Thornton. He also has a sister, Mrs. W. R. Coates, of Kerns, Texas.

The funeral was held from the residence at 10 o'clock this morning and interment was made in Oakwood cemetery.

HOUSE PASSES BURNET LITERACY TEST BILL

Vote Was 78 to 52, Many Republicans Supporting the Measure

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COTTON PRIZES ARE AWARDED

MEMBERS OF BOYS' COTTON CLUBS HOLD ANNUAL MEETING SATURDAY

SOME GOOD YIELDS MADE

Lee Leaser Wins First On Staple and W. E. Laking First On Yield

A large number of boys from Wichita and Archer counties, members of the cotton clubs of this agricultural district, met yesterday morning at the Y. M. C. A. building to see prizes awarded for the year's work. The prizes were as follows: On Staple—First prize of \$10, Lee Leaser; second prize of \$5, Roy Cassidy; third prize of \$2.50, Joe Decker. Yield—First prize of \$10 to W. E. Laking; 2039 pounds per acre; second prize of \$5 to Claude Goins, 35, 300 pounds per acre; third prize of \$2.50 to Miss Turie Wolf, 1533 1/2 pounds per acre.

Reports—First prize of \$10 Jack Hardwick; second prize of \$5 to V. Campbell; third prize of \$2.50 to Julius and Theodore Schmitz. Best Exhibit—\$5 prize, Miss Turie Wolf.

Prizes of \$1 each given by the Chamber of Commerce on general averages—Theo Schmitz, Virgil Campbell, Claude Goins, Miss Wolf, W. Peter, Clarence Sims, Varnie Sims, Gobel Lawrence, Lewis Martin.

Honor prizes of \$5 each given by the Cotton Oil Company and local sales—Y. Carriwell, Claude Goins, Leaser, Nicholas Gullett, Miss Wolf, Clarence Sims, Varnie Sims, Gobel Lawrence, Roy Cassidy.

Honor prizes of \$1 each given by the Chamber of Commerce—W. E. Laking, M. D. H. Willie Terzlake, Roy Monday, Theodore Jenne, Elbert Conroy, Fred Conwill, Clayton Conroy, Tom Rodgers, Taylor Rogers.

The judges on the cotton were Messrs. Nolen, Thompson and Thurn; on reports, Prof. R. M. Johnson. The boys met at the Y. M. C. A. rooms, bringing their samples and reports, and after entering their exhibits and reports received dinner and picture show tickets. The dinner tickets were to the restaurants that are members of the Chamber of Commerce, being the Metropolitan, City Cafe and Coney Island. The picture show was at the Gem.

In the afternoon a brief address was made by District Agent J. W. Campbell, who told the boys that a similar contest would be held next year and urging all to take part and work harder than ever. A feature of the reports was that in nearly every instance the boys using the methods recommended made better crops than were made on adjacent farms where the old hazardous methods were in use.

Miss Wolf, the only girl contestant, is from Mankins, Archer county. She took third prize for yield, and received a special prize of \$5 for the best exhibit.

WOODMEN CIRCLE ELECTS OFFICERS

Installation Exercises Will Take Place On Second Friday In January

At a meeting of Wichita Grove No. 1087, Woodmen Circle, Friday afternoon the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. Frank McKim, guardian; Mrs. Emma Lander, advisor; Mrs. Pearl Somers, clerk; Mrs. Birdie Womack, banker; Mrs. Sarah Roark, attendant; Mrs. Emma Potts, chaplain; Mrs. Parolee Marshall, inner sentinel; Mrs. Eva Collins, outer sentinel; Mrs. Jettie Coleman, Mrs. Della Delote, Mrs. Jennie Craig, managers; Mrs. Romaine McCarly, musician; Mrs. Hulda Sherrill, past guardian; Dr. J. C. A. Guest, camp physician.

The installation exercises will take place the second Friday in January in connection with the Woodmen of the World installation program, and a social evening is planned, which is pleasantly anticipated by both organizations. The members extend a special invitation to visiting sovereigns to be present.

OYSTERS SHIPPED BY THE CARLOAD

First Shipments in that Quantity Will Be Made From Port Lavaca This Week

Port Lavaca, Texas, Dec. 14.—Carload shipments of shell oysters from farms planted in Texas waters in competition with Atlantic coast oysters began here today. The first car was loaded for San Francisco and will make passenger schedule time. Two other cars have been ordered for San Francisco. The shippers are men from the Pacific coast states, who took up claims for oyster State fish, game and oyster commission and planted 15,000 barrels of oysters.

NO LIQUOR LICENSE FOR CORPORATION

District Judge Upholds Clerk in Refusal to Grant License to Corporation at Houston

By Associated Press. Houston, Texas, Dec. 14.—If Judge William Masterson of the Fifty-fifth district court is upheld, a corporation cannot be issued a retail liquor license in Texas. The Sam List Company, incorporated, applied to County Clerk Jones for a saloon permit. He held a corporation could not retail liquor under the Texas law. The corporation asked for a mandamus writ to compel the issuance of the permit and this was refused this afternoon when in the district court.

BRYCE PRAISES CONSTITUTION

BRITISH AMBASSADOR ON EVE OF RETIREMENT PAYS EXTRAORDINARY TRIBUTE

London, Dec. 14.—On the eve of the peace conference, the Associated Press was gathered from representatives of the Balkan kingdoms and the foremost Turkish delegates, an authoritative declaration of the terms which the victorious kingdoms propose to enforce, and the Ottoman views thereon. Like experienced diplomatists, all the Balkan delegates in speaking officially, adhere to the watchword adopted in the first, and probably the last, preliminary meeting, before entering the conference, that they are "in complete accord, and have established a practically united program to follow."

When they speak with friends, not for quotations, their faces light up with their enthusiasm and their faith is admirable. "Tell the Americans," they say, "that we trust in their sympathy and moral support, as we are fighting desperately and shedding our best blood for the same cause which glorifies the name of Washington glorious and venerated. We are risking all we possess for our liberty and independence."

"Tell them," added in perfect English M. Vostitch, the Russian minister at Paris, who is a learned professor, "that some of the sons of the Balkans who became American citizens are in the ranks at the front giving proof of valor and bravery of which Uncle Sam should be as proud as we are."

The determination of the Balkan states not to allow an Ottoman policy of procrastination is significant on account of the form which it has manifested. "The Turks are much mistaken," said one of the chief delegates, "if they entertain such an idea. Peace will be concluded between Christ and New Years around the diplomatic table in St. James Palace, or we will impose it in Constantinople at Easter, under the range of our cannon and at the point of our bayonets, but the conditions then will be very different."

"Now, we are satisfied with the minimum demands. Then, we will exact the maximum."

The main condition of the allies include the immediate surrender of Scutari, Adrianople and Janina, the garrison of which will be granted full military honors. The evacuator of Europe by Turkey as far as east Thessalonica, to a line which experts at the contracting parties will delimit on the spot. The cession to Greece of all the Aegean Islands including Rhodes and eleven others, which Italy is keeping as a pledge of Turkish fulfillment of the treaty of Lausanne; the annexation of Crete to Greece and the payment of a war indemnity and the expenses entailed.

In return the allies will grant complete amnesty to the Mussulman population in the territory they annex, for any act of hostility during the war, the return of all prisoners, the recognition of the spiritual sovereignty over Ottoman becoming subjects of the Balkan states and the free administration by the Mussulmen of their pious funds in the Balkans.

R. Ehad Tache, the most distinguished Ottoman delegate, who has resided so long abroad that he is a type of the intelligent cosmopolitan, expressed the hope that the assistance of the powers on the one side and moderation on the part of the allies, on the other, would result in a solution, which, if not satisfactory to Turkey, would safeguard her dignity.

He feared that the apparent harmony of the allies will last only while the common enemy is before them, and that the moment they are left to themselves, they will be plunged into anarchy over the division of the spoils, rendering intervention by the powers inevitable. He said he would have to raise the question at the first meeting of the failure of Greece to join the armistice.

"Is it possible," he asked, "to treat for peace while war is in progress? Some understanding would be reached which might be annulled by the progress of the military operations. What would be the use of a discussion about Janina, while the discussion is going on? It would be forced to capitulate. Or what about Salonika? If it were recaptured by the Turks?"

"The conditions put forward by the Greeks to adhere to the armistice were absurd, as among other things they asked for the surrender of Janina and the continuation of the blockade. If the other states follow the same idea, we would have been asked to surrender Adrianople and Scutari also, and admitting that when we were such idiots as to accept terms of this kind, there would be no need of a meeting here to discuss the conditions of peace, nor would it be possible for us to continue the war."

HER FRIEND'S GOOD ADVICE

The Results Made This Newburg Lady Glad She Followed Suggestion.

Newburg, Ala.—"For more than a year," writes Myrtle Cottrum, of this place, "I suffered with terrible pains in my back and head. I had a sallow complexion, and my face was covered with pimples. Our family doctor only gave me temporary relief. A friend of mine advised me to try Cardui, so I began taking it, at once, and with the best results, for I was cured after taking two bottles. My mother and my aunt have also used Cardui and were greatly benefited. I shall always praise Cardui to sick and suffering women."

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W. E. Write for Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattemooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Special Instructions and 44-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent in plain wrapper, on request.
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BALKAN DEMANDS ARE ANNOUNCED

IMMEDIATE SURRENDER OF SCUTARI ADRIANOPLE AND JANINA INCLUDED

WILL NOT BROOK DELAY

Conclusion of Peace By New Year at St. James Palace in Constantinople On Easter

London, Dec. 14.—On the eve of the peace conference, the Associated Press was gathered from representatives of the Balkan kingdoms and the foremost Turkish delegates, an authoritative declaration of the terms which the victorious kingdoms propose to enforce, and the Ottoman views thereon. Like experienced diplomatists, all the Balkan delegates in speaking officially, adhere to the watchword adopted in the first, and probably the last, preliminary meeting, before entering the conference, that they are "in complete accord, and have established a practically united program to follow."

When they speak with friends, not for quotations, their faces light up with their enthusiasm and their faith is admirable. "Tell the Americans," they say, "that we trust in their sympathy and moral support, as we are fighting desperately and shedding our best blood for the same cause which glorifies the name of Washington glorious and venerated. We are risking all we possess for our liberty and independence."

"Tell them," added in perfect English M. Vostitch, the Russian minister at Paris, who is a learned professor, "that some of the sons of the Balkans who became American citizens are in the ranks at the front giving proof of valor and bravery of which Uncle Sam should be as proud as we are."

The determination of the Balkan states not to allow an Ottoman policy of procrastination is significant on account of the form which it has manifested. "The Turks are much mistaken," said one of the chief delegates, "if they entertain such an idea. Peace will be concluded between Christ and New Years around the diplomatic table in St. James Palace, or we will impose it in Constantinople at Easter, under the range of our cannon and at the point of our bayonets, but the conditions then will be very different."

"Now, we are satisfied with the minimum demands. Then, we will exact the maximum."

The main condition of the allies include the immediate surrender of Scutari, Adrianople and Janina, the garrison of which will be granted full military honors. The evacuator of Europe by Turkey as far as east Thessalonica, to a line which experts at the contracting parties will delimit on the spot. The cession to Greece of all the Aegean Islands including Rhodes and eleven others, which Italy is keeping as a pledge of Turkish fulfillment of the treaty of Lausanne; the annexation of Crete to Greece and the payment of a war indemnity and the expenses entailed.

In return the allies will grant complete amnesty to the Mussulman population in the territory they annex, for any act of hostility during the war, the return of all prisoners, the recognition of the spiritual sovereignty over Ottoman becoming subjects of the Balkan states and the free administration by the Mussulmen of their pious funds in the Balkans.

R. Ehad Tache, the most distinguished Ottoman delegate, who has resided so long abroad that he is a type of the intelligent cosmopolitan, expressed the hope that the assistance of the powers on the one side and moderation on the part of the allies, on the other, would result in a solution, which, if not satisfactory to Turkey, would safeguard her dignity.

He feared that the apparent harmony of the allies will last only while the common enemy is before them, and that the moment they are left to themselves, they will be plunged into anarchy over the division of the spoils, rendering intervention by the powers inevitable. He said he would have to raise the question at the first meeting of the failure of Greece to join the armistice.

"Is it possible," he asked, "to treat for peace while war is in progress? Some understanding would be reached which might be annulled by the progress of the military operations. What would be the use of a discussion about Janina, while the discussion is going on? It would be forced to capitulate. Or what about Salonika? If it were recaptured by the Turks?"

"The conditions put forward by the Greeks to adhere to the armistice were absurd, as among other things they asked for the surrender of Janina and the continuation of the blockade. If the other states follow the same idea, we would have been asked to surrender Adrianople and Scutari also, and admitting that when we were such idiots as to accept terms of this kind, there would be no need of a meeting here to discuss the conditions of peace, nor would it be possible for us to continue the war."

NICHOLSON HAS REACHED GALVESTON

MeJidian Road Secretary Completes Scouting Trip From Winnipeg, Canada to Coast

By Associated Press. Galveston, Texas, Dec. 14.—John C. Nicholson, secretary of the Meridian Road Association, who is logging the Winnipeg-to-Galveston road, arrived in this city today at noon after having covered the distance by automobile between Waco and Houston. He was met by a party of citizens of Galveston, who went to the causeway in automobiles and escorted him into the city.

Mr. Nicholson left for Houston early this afternoon.

GONZALES IS CLEANEST TOWN

Dallas, Texas, Dec. 14.—Final prize winners were announced today in the Texas cleanness contest.

Gonzales won the \$300 prize in class B, and Memphis took the \$200 prize in class C. Class B, 2000 to 4000 population finals were: Gonzales, 87.8; New Braunfels, 88.85; Eagle Pass, 86.55; Ballinger, 86.05; Stamford, 85.05; Snyder, 85.4. Class C, 1000 to 2000 population: Memphis, 81; Hubbard City, 80.9; McGregor, 80.9; Lico, 80.5. In class A the finals are not yet complete. The prize in this class was \$500. Three small cities were tied for first place at the end of the contest period, and further observation began some time ago but is not yet complete. The towns were Brownwood, Gainesville and Hillsboro, with 87.05 each.

Dr. M. M. Carriak of Dallas, made the grading.

READY TO SIGN THE CONTRACT

FUND REQUIRED FOR PURCHASE OF SITE FOR JAR PLANT IS COMPLETED

RATES ARE AGREED TO

Approval of Railroad Commission Only Formality Now Lacking It Is Believed Certain

"We are now ready to sign the contract for Ball Brothers' plant. The purchase money has been raised and the freight rates Ball Brothers asked have been agreed to by the carriers." This was the statement made yesterday afternoon by Wiley Blair of the committee of the Chamber of Commerce which has been raising the \$30,000 needed to purchase the jar factory site. The remaining few dollars needed to complete the amount was subscribed yesterday and the committee was able to announce that this part of the work was finished.

Thus, as always, Wichita Falls "made good" and the matter is now up to Ball Brothers, who are already dismantling their Coffeyville plant preparatory to shipping to this city. The switching arrangements which are a part of Wichita Falls' concessions, have not yet been completed, but little delay is anticipated on this feature.

"It is expected that a definite contract for the plant will be closed in the near future and there is every reason to believe that the next few weeks will see ground broken for this new industry, or rather, for the two new industries, as the galls plant will bring a zinc rolling mill to be operated in connection with it."

"We appreciate the courtesy shown the committee by a majority of those on whom we called," said Mr. Blair, "and we feel that the business men and citizens are to be congratulated upon the raising of the purchase money." The committee consisted of Wiley Blair, Jim Marlow and Miles O'Reilly, who devoted a number of hours each day, at the sacrifice of personal affairs, to raising the money.

The freight rates, which Ball Brothers wanted were agreed to by all the railroads affected and await only the approval of the railroad commission. As the rate is a lower one than that already in operation, there is little doubt that this approval will be forthcoming in due time.

Wichita Falls' efforts to land this plant have extended over a period of several months and the "inside" story of the struggle might make it seem unlikely when the situation at one time seemed hopeless, is an interesting one.

TENNESSEE REPUBLICAN LEADERS ARE INDICTED

Knoxville, Tenn., Dec. 16.—J. S. Keasley, chairman and George T. Tenney, secretary of the Republican State campaign committee, have been indicted by the federal grand jury on the charge of violating a civil service rule as the result of a letter circulated among employees in the federal building here, soliciting funds for political campaigns.

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BETTER THAN THE STAGE

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INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION OFFERS SUGGESTION TO AMERICAN RAILROADS

8,215 DERAILMENTS

10,585 Persons Killed and 180,123 Hurt On Steam Roads in Twelve Months

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 16.—"Safety first" is the paramount rule of train operation suggested by the Interstate Commerce Commission in its twenty-sixth annual report submitted today to Congress.

It is pointed out that many of the accidents resulting in fatalities might have been averted by the exercise of proper precaution or the employment of suitable devices and good equipment.

The investigation by the Commission itself of railroad accidents involving loss of life, the report says, "has proceeded far enough to indicate the need of more effective measures than thus far have been taken to secure safety of railroad travel."

"Of the 31 derailments investigated 14 were either directly or indirectly caused by bad track. In 5 of these 14 cases the derailments would probably have been avoided had existing speed restrictions been observed."

"There is a disposition in some quarters," continues the report, "to charge these lamentable errors to failure of discipline and to hold employees wholly responsible for such failure. This is a superficial view which contains no promise of effective remedy."

"A remarkable increase in the speed and weight of trains within recent years and the crowding of tracks and terminals caused by the movement of an enormously enlarged volume of traffic, have greatly increased the duties and responsibilities of train service employees and multiplied the chances of error on their part."

"To prevent railroad collisions adequate measures must be taken, first, to reduce the chances of human error to a minimum and second to neutralize the effects of such error when it occurs. The recommendations previously made by the Commission for legislation requiring the standardization of operating rules and the use of the block system were designed to reduce the probability of mistakes by employees, and those recommendations are once more presented for consideration of the Congress."

Uniformity and consistency in operating rules are necessary to secure safety, and it is not probable that a satisfactory code which will meet the demands of modern operating conditions can be secured without appropriate action by the Federal Government.

WILSON FAMILY IN NEW YORK

PRESIDENT-ELECT SAYS HE IS GOING TO DEVOTE HIMSELF TO NEW-JERSEY AFFAIRS

HE GOES TO PRINCETON

Admits Selections Have Been Running Tough Head But Has Made None

By Associated Press. New York, Dec. 16.—President-elect Wilson returned today from his vacation trip to Bermuda. The steamship Bermuda docked shortly after eight o'clock this morning.

"I'm going to devote myself to New Jersey affairs," he said. "After a few hours in New York, he planned to go direct to his home in Princeton so as to be on hand at the State house in Trenton early tomorrow for the regular budget of state business."

The President-elect brought with him his annual message to the New Jersey legislature, which meets January 14. As to appointments, Governor Wilson admits that while selections have been running through his head, he has not decided finally on any post of importance, and has not even chosen a private secretary.

The for was just lifting when the Bermudian docked, and it was much too early for a crowd to gather, but a handful of friends were at the pier.

Among them was the governor's secretary, John T. Tumulty, and a reception committee headed by Dudley Field Malone, who accompanied Miss Margaret Wilson. The other daughters, Misses Eleanor and Jessie, took the Bermuda trip with their father and mother.

This sang twenty-five suffragettes today as they started on their 145-mile walk to Albany to deliver to Governor Sulzer, on his inauguration day, a message for the cause of women's suffrage.

Clad in sweaters, short skirts and high boots, and headed by one of their number beating a martial tattoo on the snare drum, they left Van Cortlandt park on the outskirts of the city at nine o'clock.

Wichita Falls got back on a village basis last night, when, for one hour there were no street cars, electric lights, water pressure, or power. The cause was a break in the pipe line of one of the gas companies supplying the power plant, forcing the latter concern to shut down until the damage be repaired.

The pipe line of the Wichita Gas Company sprang a leak on the outskirts of the city, and the power plant was notified to switch to the other company, the North Texas. The latter concern's regulator at the power plant was not working, and the power plant found itself unable to get gas from either company, necessitating a shut down.

The street lights went out all over town, and the city was plunged into darkness save where the patrons of the new company lived, or where gas was used for lighting. Candles were hastily pressed into service downtown and the drug stores, hotels and other concerns were forced to do business by that kind of light.

Street car service was also stopped and Wichita Falls for one hour was as completely minus public facilities as if she had only one-tenth her present population.

COUNTY TEACHERS MEETING OPENED

MAYOR BELL WELCOMED PEDAGOGUES AT OPENING SESSION AT HIGH SCHOOL

PROF. CORDER CHAIRMAN

Election of Officers First Business—Miss Denny Secretary and J. M. Perkins Reporter

With every part of the county represented, the Wichita County Teachers' Institute began a five days' session this morning at the high school. Organization was completed soon after convening and the teachers mated at once into the technical matters that will constitute the greater part of their work here.

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Next to doctors, Dr. Bell continued, teachers were the hardest worked and poorest paid of the professions. Just as a physician, he said, could back and remember cases where he had saved lives, and take pride in his work, so should teachers be able to correct the mental and moral defects of children and start them anew, and find joy in it.

Prof. Corder of Electra responded briefly to the address of welcome, expressing appreciation of Dr. Bell's greeting and saying a word in praise of Wichita Falls progress.

Election of officers followed, Prof. Corder being chosen assistant chairman, Miss Gertrude Denny, secretary, and J. M. Perkins, reporter. The program for the morning began, Superintendent Johnson outlining the work before the institute. This was followed by the reading of the morning paper, "School Room Essentials," which will form the basis of the study of the institute while it is in session here.

She began her benefactions during the Spanish war, when she gave time and several hundred thousand dollars, to the relief of sick and wounded officers, for which she received the thanks of Congress. In 1899 she led a woman's movement for the unseating of Brigham H. Roberts, Congressman from Utah, as a demonstration against polygamy; later she became devoted to the interests of railroad employees and toward the establishment of the Railroad Young Men's Christian Association, and she gave her personal attention and upward of \$1,000,000.

Several railroad Y. M. C. A. buildings, others for naval men and several for the Young Women's Christian Association have been erected in cities throughout the United States through her generosity.

One of the unique reforms of her charity has been the personal reception she has given to hundreds of city waifs and self-supporting women at her estate near Tarrytown, N. Y., which includes a great playground especially fitted up for these parties. She has never been attracted by society.

Only last July Miss Gould figured in a controversy with Rev. Elmer F. when he dealt severely with "bachelors' maids" in a sermon declaring spinsters should be isolated. Huffner of Grand Junction, Colo. Miss Gould was quoted as replying that she did a great injustice to those bachelors' maids, particularly to those who devoted themselves to ideas for the advancement of civilization. As to her own case, she said:

"If I had found a suitable helpmate, I might have spent my money in a different way, and a way which might not have done as much good as it has."

Since the death of her parents Miss Gould has been the intimate friend of Mrs. Russell Sage, who has been one of her advisers in business and philanthropy.

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STATEMENT OF FIRST NATIONAL BANK

For strength and conservatism we ask comparison of our statement showing condition, with that of any banking institution in Northwest Texas.

NOVEMBER 26, 1912

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The above statement is correct. W. M. McGREGOR, Cashier.

Condensed Statement showing condition of the First State Bank & Trust Company

OF WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS at close of business November 26th, 1912.

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WOMEN TO WALK FROM NEW YORK TO ALBANY

Twenty-Five Suffragettes Leave Metropolitan With Message for Governor Sulzer

CITY ON VILLAGE BASIS FEW HOURS

Leak in Gas Line Deprives City of Street Cars, Lights, Water Pressure and Power for Time

Wichita Falls got back on a village basis last night, when, for one hour there were no street cars, electric lights, water pressure, or power. The cause was a break in the pipe line of one of the gas companies supplying the power plant, forcing the latter concern to shut down until the damage be repaired.

The pipe line of the Wichita Gas Company sprang a leak on the outskirts of the city, and the power plant was notified to switch to the other company, the North Texas. The latter concern's regulator at the power plant was not working, and the power plant found itself unable to get gas from either company, necessitating a shut down.

The street lights went out all over town, and the city was plunged into darkness save where the patrons of the new company lived, or where gas was used for lighting. Candles were hastily pressed into service downtown and the drug stores, hotels and other concerns were forced to do business by that kind of light.

Street car service was also stopped and Wichita Falls for one hour was as completely minus public facilities as if she had only one-tenth her present population.

At about 7:25, after the service had been a negligible quantity for an hour, the gas pressure was resumed at the plant and the lights were again turned on, in time for church services. It was an experience that not many enjoyed and had it occurred on a week day, would have resulted in still more inconvenience.

WICHITA FALLS SEVENTH CITY IN BUILDING

Ahead of such cities as Fort Worth, Waco, Austin and Beaumont, Wichita Falls ranked seventh in the state in building permits in November, although everyone of the cities named above is far larger than Wichita Falls.

This city's total for November was \$81,500, while Fort Worth, with five or six times the population of Wichita Falls, had \$80,548. The ten cities in the State making the largest totals were:

Table listing cities and their building permit totals for November: Dallas \$401,218, San Antonio 261,813, Houston 224,173, Galveston 201,328, El Paso 162,885, Wichita Falls 81,500, Fort Worth 80,548, Waco 63,325, Austin 34,445, Beaumont 32,164.

GOVERNMENT'S CROP ESTIMATE

FINAL ESTIMATE ON CORN WHEAT AND OATS ARE MADE PUBLIC

CORN IS MOST VALUABLE

Yield Will Total 3,124,746,000 Bushels; Its Value \$1,520,454,000

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 16.—The Department of Agriculture's final estimate of acreage, production and price on December 1, and total value of the principal crops, as announced at 2:15 p. m.

Corn acreage, 107,000,083; production, 3,124,746 bushels; price 487; value, \$1,520,454,000.

Winter wheat acreage, 26,571,000; production, 399,919,000 bushels; price, 80.8 cents; value \$323,572,000.

Spring wheat acreage, 19,243,000; production, 330,248,000 bushels; price 70.1 cents; value, \$231,708,000.

All wheat acreage, 45,814,000; production, 730,267,000 bushels; price, 76 cents; value, \$555,280,000.

Oats acreage 37,917,000; production 1,419,337,000 bushels; price 31.9 cents; value, \$452,469,000.

CHRISTMAS TIME FIRE WARNINGS

Unless Extreme Care is Taken With Christmas Decorations, Fire Hazard is Great. The National Fire Protection Association is sending broadcast a bulletin of warning concerning Christmas decorations. Copies of this bulletin have been received here. The warning follows:

Stores, church and bazaars—Holiday fires in these well filled with people are usually holocausts. Light, inflammable decorations make fires easy to start and easy to spread. A match, a gas flame or an electrical defect may do it.

Watch cigar, cigarette and pipe smokers. Do not permit them to light up inside buildings. Do not make the slightest change in electrical wiring without consulting electrical inspector.

Warnings for the home—Every year in America many children are burned to death by fire from Christmas candles. Do not decorate your Christmas tree with paper, cotton or any other inflammable material. Use metallic tinsel and other non-inflammable decorations only, and get the tree securely so that the children

in reaching for things cannot tip it over. Do not use cotton to represent snow. If you must have snow use asbestos fibre. Do not permit children to light or relight candles while parents are not present. They frequently get fire to their clothing instead; and the tree itself will burn when needles have become dry. Do not leave matches within reach of children at holiday time. Candles are meant to be lighted, and if the children can get matches they will experiment with them. They imitate their elders. A house of merriment is better than a house of mourning.

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commonly known as "war-scares." He describes the "absurd newspaper drama in which empress plays the her, Gunging or Japan the villain and the Panama canal or the Pacific islands the defenseless heroine, for which the American people, as spectators, pay \$1,000,000 a day."

Dr. Jordan, university duties keep him close to Palo Alto, which is only a few days' distance from San Francisco, and he is expected to be in the city in the near future. He is expected to be in the city in the near future. He is expected to be in the city in the near future.

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has proved a good one for Wichita Falls—the least, perhaps, in the history of the city. But let us prepare to make 1913 a record breaker. This can be done by our citizens standing together and making their strength and efforts to build a greater and better Wichita Falls.

There is more pleasure in giving than in receiving. Christmas presents and while thinking about gifts, let us think of those who are financially able to help us. This Christmas a most pleasing gift for both themselves and those who are in need has been given.

President Taft has rejected the British proposal on which to make his trip to Panama. The British, U.S. and Mexican are the only ones that can feel the thrill, if any was intended.

The combined Republican and Bull Moose membership in the next Congress will not be equal to the Democratic majority, which will be 153. The combined strength of the opposition is but 146.

And cotton is still going up. This in the face of what Chairman Hill of the Republican party predicted would happen if Taft was defeated for President.

Some people have the idea that the mission of a newspaper is to keep them constantly in the public eye, and in this they are not far wrong. In their eyes their news is their life.

During the past sixteen years of uninterrupted Republican rule the cost of maintaining the Federal Government has been more than doubled, and the estimate made for the coming fiscal year is placed at \$1,105,963.

The net profits from the two Pulitzer papers of New York has been placed at \$2,251,221 for the four years ending in 1911 by the auditor of the company. The cash value of the two papers, the Morning and Evening World, was placed at \$11,000,000 and that of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, another Pulitzer paper, at \$8,000,000.

Since the announcement has been made that after January first there will be a change in the management of the Wichita Theatre, many have gained the impression that this point, the only place in the city where a show of this kind is put on, will be put on a certain course. But those who are in the know will be disappointed.

There are but fourteen more days of 1912 left. The year did not start off with prospects as bright for the building of Wichita Falls as most of us would have liked, and during the first half of the year there was little progress in the way of building. A splendid year has been made.

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Be sure to seal your Christmas packages with the little Red Cross seals. The money derived from the sale of the Red Cross Seals will be used for a very commendable purpose. The seals are on sale in Wichita Falls now.

At the end of November the enrollment in this public school of this city was 1856, showing an increase over last year for the same month of 189. Multiplied by six this shows a population of 11,136 for Wichita Falls.

The committee soliciting the bonus for the Ball Brothers fruit jar factory report that all but \$2,500 of the necessary amount had been subscribed up to this morning. If you are a property owner and have not subscribed something toward the bonus that is necessary to be paid in order to secure this splendid enterprise, you have not done what is expected of you, and what is necessary on the part of every citizen who wants to aid and assist in bringing to Wichita Falls more capital and more people.

President-elect Wilson has let it be known that he is in receipt of thousands of letters urging him to tender to Mr. Bryan the highest and most important position in his cabinet—that of Secretary of State, which goes to show that there just lots of fellows who have not yet ceased to be Bryan Democrats. It is hardly likely that Mr. Bryan can be induced to accept any position under Mr. Wilson, but the president-elect if he would show appreciation of the part of the presidential elect, and of the same time, give credit to the out-of-pocket donors of the Bryan Democracy of the United States.

Many deals in Wichita Falls real estate, at low prices, were made last week and there is more activity in real estate than at any time within the last three years. An instance of the demand for real property was brought to light Saturday. The owner of a lot in Floral Heights had \$494. He had several real estate agents at \$275. This lot was sold Saturday morning to three real estate agents for \$275 separate purchases. The price was discovered when the agents called upon the owner to make out the deeds.

Investors are beginning to realize that the town has not only caught up with speculative values that were held in check by the three years of drought but that its growth has already gone far ahead of such values. This is the reason that so much property that had been on the market is rapidly being sold. In this connection the city faces a serious problem in the housing of the additional thousand population that are already here in the next few months.

With the demand for homes already far outstripping the supply it will be difficult to build the 150 or 200 houses needed to house the increased population before they are here. Men who have money to invest can do no better than to invest in the town.

In April of next year, as the Times understands it, the Southwestern Telephone and Telephone franchise will expire in this city and the company will ask for a new franchise, which no doubt will be granted, as it should be. But not on the same terms as the one they have now. Taking into consideration the investment, the expense of operation, etc., and the amount charged for service, the Southwestern can well afford to pay a good round sum for the new franchise it will ask for. Wichita Falls has reached that point where she can demand and receive a fair compensation for the use of her alleys and streets that her citizens are taxed to maintain, and a public service corporation that can take from the people from \$7,000 to \$8,000 every month of the year should not object paying a liberal amount to the city government for the use of its alleys and streets. This city does not need, and perhaps should not have, but one telephone company, but there is no need to fear that the city will ever be without telephone service.

There are more companies than one for telephone service in the city and in the event the city government should demand a price for a telephone franchise that the present company is not willing to pay, it will be time enough to negotiate with another company. In some cities public corporation franchises are granted on a percentage basis. As high as 4 per cent on the annual gross income is sometimes demanded and received. In some cities as high as \$200 per foot of line is charged, and \$2 for mile conductors per year. At Dallas, the new Automatic Telephone Co. a rival of the Southwestern, has offered to pay 4 per cent of its annual income in addition to the regular property tax on its investment for a franchise with a twenty-year limit.

Gov. Colquitt is doing his level best to check the dummy suit industry, and in this he deserves to be commended by all good citizens.

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THE UNWRITTEN LAW
There is a dangerous tendency in the courts of this state in substituting the law of the majority for the law of the minority. We remember several years ago a newspaper man in Hall county published the county court-book and asked the first appeal of the name of a man in that county as defendant in one of the cases. He got the newspaper man and shut him up to death. When the trial came on he had no legal fees, but his wife came in and said that she had at some time been indicted by the grand jury and the jury gave the defendant five years in the penitentiary.

The legislature we believe could remedy this growing tendency by enacting a law making it a penalty of some kind in a well defined manner to insult a reputable female in this state. Then there could be no excuse for the unwritten law as a defense in a criminal case. Vernon Call.

Would it not be a commendable thing for President Taft to resign his office, after he is inaugurated, remove from federal office all Republicans for "pernicious political activity"?

Having made most of his will in favor of the South, the government of Washington through tariff legislation does not necessarily mean that Mr. Carnegie still give a part of his ill-gotten gains back by pensioning off our ex-presidents. There fore his proposition to do that very thing meet with a frost. Uncle Sam has not fallen so low as to accept loot for its honored ex-presidents in the form of charity.

If more Texas children attended the public schools, there would be less need of reformatories and penitentiaries. This fact is too well known to be discussed. But how on earth a majority of the teachers assembled in Fort Worth a few days ago, could go on record as opposed to compulsory education, is one of those mysteries perhaps a somnambulist might explain. The right kind of parent does not need to be compelled to give his child proper schooling; it is only the trifling father who wants to live off his child's earnings that the law should aid, and help school teachers to afford to hold such a man in contempt from doing the decent thing is possible. It is only a man that is a great many Texas school teachers are sadly in need of a few more grains of common sense. Gussie Tribune Clark.

Perhaps there are a few isolated cases where parents are compelled to depend upon their children for support, but in such cases Texas is big and wealthy enough to relieve all such public cases at public expense. Our school teachers it occurs to the Times have taken a very narrow view of this matter of compulsory education.

The Democratic party has played in power to carry out Democratic ideas, and of course things are not going to run in the same channels they have been of late years. Revision of the tariff is one of the reforms promised, and when this is done, let us hope that a public relief production will be made as to put a sudden stop to this business of taking money out of the consuming masses and placing it into the pockets of such fellows as Morgan and his kind. That kind of protection is only a milder term for theft from the people.

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The Masonic lodge at Arolia is planning a big supper for Masons, their wives, widows and unmarried daughters in their new hall on the night of December 28. They have extended an invitation to the local lodge and it is probable a number from this city will attend.

14TH AMENDMENT IS ATTACKED

OKLAHOMA CONGRESSIONAL CONTESTANT SAYS AMENDMENT IS NULL AND VOID

NOT RATIFIED HE SAYS

Vote of Two-Thirds of States Not Obtained—Claims Grandfather Clause Violated

By Associated Press. Oklahoma City, Dec. 14.—The contention that the fourteenth and fifteenth amendments to the Constitution of the United States null and void and that no negro has the right to vote, is made in the contest of John J. Kanagy against Congressman Morgan, prepared today to be filed in Congress Monday.

The contention is made that the enfranchisement of the negro was not ratified by a vote of two-thirds of the States—Lawyers here say there is something in the question raised and that all the negroes in the South must be disfranchised.

Kanagy made the race for Congress in the second district, being defeated on the face of the returns. Morgan has been given a certificate of election, but before it was issued Kanagy filed notice that he would contest the election in Congress, on the ground that "grandfather clause" of the Oklahoma Constitution had been violated by permitting negroes to vote for Morgan.

LAWTON SIGNS CONTRACT FOR RINGLING ROAD.

(By Mail) Lawton, Okla., Dec. 12.—If John Ringling, millionaire circus owner and railroad builder, signs contracts with the Lawton Chamber of Commerce and outside park trustees for construction of a railway line connecting Lawton, Duncan and Ardmore, his commencement early in the year 1913 and before another twelve months has rolled around, freight and passenger cars will be in operation between the two terminal cities.

So far as the Lawton end of the deal is concerned, the contracts are closed. Duplicate contracts, bearing the signatures of the four living trustees of the east side city park, and sixty additional leading business and professional men of the city, were placed in the mails today, addressed to Mr. Ringling at his New York business offices.

The contract provides for the construction of a direct line of railway connecting Lawton and Ardmore, and to be in operation within the next year, and in consideration of that, the city of Lawton will pay for the construction of a cash bonus within the city limits and ten miles of right of way to cost not in excess of \$5,000. In lieu of the cash bonus however, the contract provides that the city may turn the east side park land to the railroad builder, to be used as he sees fit.

To permit the carrying out of this latter clause of the contract the names of three hundred business men of the city have been attached to petitions to the city commissioners requesting that the park be transferred for the sum of \$500 instead of \$12,000 as originally provided by the old city administration. It is possible that the transfer of the lands under these new conditions will be submitted to the people in the spring election. If it is decided unnecessary to hold the election, the commissioners will accept the petitions as authority sufficient and grant permission for the change in plans.

WIFE CLAIMS SHE DIDN'T UNDERSTAND LEASE

Those who contend that married women have no property rights in Texas may find comfort in a suit filed in the district court by W. A. Martin and his wife, Mrs. Caroline Martin, seeking to cancel a lease of the Cor. Milana Petroleum Company, on the ground that Mrs. Martin did not know the nature of the lease, when she signed it and that her notarial acknowledgment was not "privily and apart from her husband," as the law requires.

The petitioner attacks the lease also on the ground of failure to develop the land and seeks its cancellation. Smoot and Smoot are attorneys for the plaintiff.

The same allegations are set forth in another petition against the Cor. Milana Company, along similar lines, in which J. H. Anderson and wife are plaintiffs.

Suit was filed today by J. T. Overby vs J. M. Burk et al for debt.

County Judge Felder yesterday reached a decision in the Mrs. C. C. Knight will case, admitting the first will to probate, according to the terms of the agreement between the beneficiaries of the first and second testaments. The first will distributes the property to various persons, and makes Phyl Taylor independent executor without bond. The later will, which was set aside by agreement, made C. C. Knight the principal beneficiary and appointed different executors.

CONCERNING REV. J. FRANK NORRIS

Pastor Who Gained Notoriety in Fort Worth Conducting Series of Meetings at Vernon

In an item concerning the series of meetings being conducted by Rev. J. Frank Norris there the Vernon Record has the following comment concerning Rev. Norris and his church in Fort Worth:

Dr. Norris has for the past few years been a central figure in some sensational circumstances in Fort Worth, in which were involved many well known business and professional men of that city, and has gained a great deal of notoriety by reason of that. And attached to his coming to Vernon to hold a meeting in one of the leading churches was no small amount of curiosity and interest. For the morbidly curious, though, Dr. Norris has little to offer in the way of thrills, his sermons being clear, logical, and devoid of what might be termed sensational utterances. He is not what some might term an orator but his sermons command the closest attention from the hearer to the end.

In Fort Worth Dr. Norris has been a mighty fighter in the cause of righteousness and public morals, and he has perhaps accomplished more in this direction than any other force in the city. He holds a great many meetings away from Fort Worth; the present being his eighth since the first of July, and the record considers Vernon fortunate in obtaining through the First Baptist Church the services of a man of this stamp and type for a revival meeting.

The published creed of Dr. Norris' church is as follows:

"The whole Bible from Genesis 1:1 to Revelations 22:21, nothing added to it and nothing taken from it, leaving every matter to interpret and apply it for his own rule of faith and practice."

Concerning the First Baptist church in Fort Worth, of which Dr. Norris is pastor, much has been said and published in the past two years. In a statement to the Record Dr. Norris has the following to say on the subject:

"We are now building one of the most modern churches in all the country. The seating capacity is 2,500 and judging from the past three years every seat will be taken. Special equipment is to be had for a day nursery for the children and babies of poor women who have to work, and a free kindergarten for the poor of the city will be conducted the year round. Many such features will make this the great people's church of the city.

"The stand of this church and pastor for righteousness is well known. Recently the church voted that no man could retain membership who rented his property for saloon or immoral purposes; that no man could retain membership who, supported the saloon by vote, patronage, or who held membership in a drinking club.

"Immediately following this action of the church, there was no small exodus out of the church. The church was one time known as the richest church in the city, but today the membership is made up almost wholly of salaried and working people. There is not a service that people are not converted. During the recent stormy months 325 new members have been added to the church, in addition to the regular church services the pastor and his helpers carry on a continuous evangelists campaign in the shops and factories of the city.

"At least once a month the pastor preaches on some public evil in the city, giving names, dates and concrete facts. This causes no small stir. It is interesting to know the combines, who have fought the pastor and which he has fought, were completely repudiated in the recent city election."

EVEN GOVERNMENT AGAINST POOR FIDO

If Canines Escape Dog, Poisoner, The Tax GATHERER MAY GET THEM

This is getting to be a bad season for stray dogs. Lately a number of them have been eliminated by the poison route, and now the city officials are going to make a clean-up of them.

Numerous complaints have been received recently of the number,osity, barking, and killchickenosity of the city's stray canines and last night several citizens appeared before the city council to see if something could not be done to remedy the condition.

There is a dog tax ordinance here, but there has been no enforcement of it for some time. The mayor expects to serve notice on all dog owners to keep their animals in their yards and run the risk of seeing them (the dogs) get a funeral at the city's expense.

Sanitary Inspector Brown has picked up nine dead dogs this week and the dog poisoner has evidently been at work. The average citizen dislikes to go to such extreme measures to protect his chickens and the city has decided to take a hand in the matter.

BOTTLE PLANT IN OPERATION

BOTTLES MADE FROM TEXAS SAND IN WICHITA FALLS NOW ON MARKET

HUNDRED MEN AT WORK

Force Being Increased As Rapidly as New Workers Are Secured—Plant Beehive of Industry

The Wichita Falls Bottle Manufacturing plant in the factory addition south of the city began operations last week and several shipments of bottles have already been made and Wichita Falls merchants who make use of bottles in their trade have shown the proper attitude and are now supplying goods in Wichita Falls made bottles.

Castor oil for the baby, peroxide for Mabel, liniment for Willie, paraffin, turpentine, bay rum, in fact anything and everything that comes in bottles, including the headache that follows the use of certain contents with which some bottles are filled in Wichita Falls can now be poured from bottles made right here at home.

The local plant is the only bottle factory in Texas and as a matter of fact is used in the Lone Star State. It was made with a capacity large enough to supply all the drug stores and other places from which liquid goods are sold. The plant when operated at full capacity will turn out something like 70,000 or 80,000 bottles a day, the number varying with the size of the bottles made.

From the sand room to the packing department the bottle plant presents scenes of busy activity.

A representative of The Times was shown through the plant Saturday. He found the superintendent of the plant, Christie J. Coyne, busy in the house where the sand, lime and other materials used in the making of the bottles is stored. Mr. Coyne "grows up" in the glass industry back East and if there is anything he doesn't know about bottle making nobody has ever found it. The mixing of the materials is a trade secret and the reporter found Mr. Coyne busy with this work. Sand and lime are the principal ingredients of the glass making materials. Arsenic and other chemicals, some of which come from the mountains over which the Bulgarians and the Greeks have been chasing the Turks are also used.

Mr. Coyne was more than pleased with the start. In fact everybody about the plant was more than satisfied. Messrs. Miller and O'Beare are delighted with the transparency, lustre and strength of the bottles. Mr. Coyne is more than pleased with the intelligence and the skill shown by the new laborers who have been employed to assist the experienced men who do the more important work of the process, and the blowers say the sand makes easier working glass than any they have ever blown.

"It is really wonderful the splendid results we have had," said Mr. Coyne, "considering the fact that we have been working with a sand with which we had had no experience. Much trouble usually results when a new sand is first used to get the mixture right, but with this Texas sand we hit it right the first time."

"We are using sand," he said, "that comes from Comanche and our lime comes from New Braunfels and our product is almost entirely a Texas one. We are soon going to experiment with a sand that is found near Alford."

"I want to say, too," he added, "that I have found the help that we have employed here the best I have ever known for new men. They are catching on rapidly and already some of them are working like old hands. That's something that is rarely ever found in a glass factory."

After the mixture is prepared it is hauled in carts up an incline to the furnace room.

This room with its two big dome-covered furnaces and the busy men about the furnace door holes has the appearance of a gigantic beehive or rather two of them. In the window glass factory the pieces handled are larger and the movement are necessarily slower. Here where the smaller pieces are made the men must work fast if they are to do much and they keep "on the jump" all the time.

This is what is known as a two-six ring furnace plant. At present over a hundred men are at work and as rapidly as new men can be secured and others broken in the number will be increased to 200. Two shifts of nine hours each are worked. One shift goes on at seven o'clock in the morning. This shift goes off at five o'clock in the afternoon and is followed by another shift noon and is followed by another shift a. m.

Each opening in the furnace from which the molten glass is gathered is called a "shop." A "shop" consists of three blowers, two of whom work on the bench (the third being a finisher who shapes the mouth of the bottles). The two blowers on the bench do their own gathering.

There are two processes in the hand blowing. One is called the band and plate process and the other is the plate process alone. In the first the blower after gathering a ball of the molten glass in his blowpipe shapes it in a glass party submerged

ed in water after which he rolls it on a plate and then blows it into the required shape and size in molds. In the other process no mold is used, but after each blow the pipe must be cleaned, which is done by a man or boy employed for that purpose.

From the moulds the bottle is taken to the finisher who sits at the bottom of the platform on which the two blowers of his shop stand. With a dextrous turn of a shear shaped tool he gives the mouth of the glowing bottle the desired shape and sets it on a tray from which it is transferred to a small furnace called the "peanut roaster" where it is kept until the tray in the roaster is filled with seventy-five or a hundred bottles. The tray is then carried to the tempering or annealing furnace where it is kept for eight or ten hours under a heat of about 1160 degrees. The rapidity with which the men work is shown in the fact that the man who carries the loaded tray from the peanut roaster to the tempering furnace doesn't get a chance to do any loafing.

The machines are used in blowing beer and soda water bottles. They are operated with compressed air and in their almost human like movements they are somewhat like a typewriter machine. Each machine has two blowers. For them a gatherer is necessary. This gatherer is kept busy dropping globes of molten glass into the blowers. In one blow the machine shapes the neck and head of the bottle and in another operation the body is blown. Three or four men are required for each machine.

The blowers in all the shop work right against the furnaces and to prevent the heat from becoming excessive a huge air pipe circles each furnace in which are treated holes through which the air is forced with considerable pressure by a fan on the outside of the building. The workers say this is the coolest factory in which they have ever worked.

From one of the furnaces Flint glass is blown. This is used for bottles for drug stores, whiskey flasks and other bottles requiring transparency and lustre. From the other furnace green lined bottles such as soda water and beer bottles are blown.

After the bottles are tempered they are drawn from the furnace and are then ready for packing. The plant has its own box making and blacksmith shops and shipments have already begun to outside points.

The Wichita Falls Bottle Manufacturing Company is incorporated with a capital of \$60,000. T. S. O'Beare is president; R. H. Miller, secretary; and J. A. Kemp, vice president. Messrs. O'Beare and Miller who are experienced men in the glass making business are in the active management of the plant. Messrs. Kemp and Kell also have an interest in the plant.

This plant was brought to Wichita Falls through an expenditure of only \$15,000. This amount will be paid back nearly every month in wages to employees. Already many orders have been received and when the superiority of the factory's product becomes known its business will require its operation at its fullest capacity.

HOSPITAL NEED DECLARED URGENT

UNITED CHARITIES ADOPT RESOLUTIONS TO BE LAID BEFORE COUNCIL AND COMMISSIONERS

MANY SIGN THE PETITION

Committee Named to Solicit Additional Funds for Organized Charity Work

The urgent need in this city of a charity hospital was the subject of a strong resolution adopted this morning at a meeting of the United Charities at the City National Bank. The meeting was composed of the delegates elected on Thanksgiving Day from the various churches and at large. The election of a permanent secretary was delayed until later.

It was decided to solicit additional funds from the citizens so as to assure the carrying out of the work for the winter, and a soliciting committee was appointed as follows: J. W. Pond, J. T. Young, Mesdames J. F. Reed, C. W. Snider, R. H. Hall, J. P. Jackson, Mrs. T. T. Reese. An advisory committee consisting of J. T. Young, J. W. Pond and Mrs. J. F. Reed was also named. The hospital resolution was as follows:

"Whereas, There is the most urgent need of emergency or charity hospital in this city for the benefit of the needy and unfortunate among us, and

"Whereas, This need is pressing, even distressing, therefore, be it

"Resolved, That Dr. J. W. Hill and Mr. J. C. Hunt be and they are hereby appointed a committee to represent this matter before the county commissioners and the city council at the earliest possible date.

(Signed) J. T. Young, W. L. Robertson, P. C. Maricle, J. P. Boone, J. W. Pond, Fred L. McFadden, G. E. Friberg, Dr. Duane Meredith, Mrs. C. W. Snider, Mrs. J. F. Reed, J. E. Coe, Mrs. E. G. Cook, Mrs. R. H. Hall, Mrs. L. P. Webb, L. H. Lawler, Tom Derrick, G. W. Filzo and W. M. McGregor.

MILLIONS LOANED OVER TELEPHONE

J. H. GRIEFEL TELLS OF METHODS OF LOANING MONEY ON STOCK EXCHANGE

FIXING THE INTEREST RATES

He Declared, Would Keep Outside Money From Coming to New York

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 12.—Before the House "money trust" investigation committee today, J. H. Griefel of New York, testified about the methods of loaning money on the New York Stock Exchange. Sometime, he said, \$2,500,000 or \$4,000,000 is loaned within fifteen or twenty minutes. This volume of transactions serves as a basis for rates on renewal loans. I have loaned sometimes twenty or twenty-five million dollars a day and borrowed fifty-million dollars in a single day.

"I have loaned as high as thirty-five million dollars. I represent the borrower rather than the lender and of course I get the benefit in the loaning transaction."

Mr. Griefel said J. P. Morgan & Company frequently lend at the exchange, although sometimes several months may elapse between their transactions. He said the principal lenders are the National City Bank, the Chase National and the Bank of Commerce, and that he represents the Chase bank.

Kuhn, Loeb & Company, he said, sometimes lend as much money as any of the banks and likewise, Speyer and the Morgan bank.

"Have you any record as to how much money you loaned on November 29, when call money was at 20 per cent?" he was asked.

"I think about fifteen or twenty million dollars on the loan side."

"How much money was loaned up to noon of November 29?"

"From five to six million dollars; I loaned ten million dollars between 2 p. m. and 2:30 p. m."

Griefel said he also loans for Kuhn, Loeb & Company and for Speyer. He said that millions and millions of dollars are loaned over the telephone in the course of regular business. The method of lending money in the "loan crowd" of the Stock Exchange was described by the witness. He said that New York banks loaning for out of town banks, usually neglecting the bank for which they are lending.

Mr. Undermeyer then asked, "What would be the result of fixing a rate of interest on money in the Stock Exchange?"

"Why, it would keep the money at home in the country bank."

C. W. Turner, loan broker for the National City Bank, said that his bank never charged more than six per cent on loans, no matter what the rate on call money might be on the exchange. Mr. Undermeyer asked:

"What would be the result if all the banks did that?"

"Why, money would be attracted to New York," answered Mr. Turner.

—He said that on the day recently when money was at twenty per cent, he loaned for the account of the National City Bank, \$2,000,000 at six per cent.

Differences between the New York Exchange and the Consolidated Stock Exchange were aired. Half a dozen members of the Consolidated Exchange explained that under the rules of the New York Stock Exchange they were absolutely prohibited from doing any business with the members of that organization.

MANY COFFEYVILLE FOLKS NOW HERE

Most of Glassworkers Came From Kansas Town—Wichita Falls Letter in Coffeyville Paper

J. Clemmons, B. Oldham, Texarkana; Louis Hunn, Converse, Ind.; N. Reagan, Pittsburg, Pa.; John Hoy, Oklahoma; A. Price, E. Thompson, Coffeyville; J. Milburn, Chanute; J. Hanley, Kane, Pa., formerly on executive board; Chas. Clifford, Muncie, Ind.; Frank Beebe, Coffeyville; Chas. Noft, Streator; John Andrews, Coffeyville; Geo. Williams, Chanute; Wm. Smith, New Bethlehem, Pa.; Dick Rash, Shreveport; Andrew Ely, Independence; Thos. Pastorius, Stateville, W. Va.; Jas. Kelly, Roy, N. M.; E. K. Middlehurst, Coffeyville; L. W. Woodward, Wildwood, N. J.; Jake Saladin, Stateville, W. Va.; Dr. Oake, Chanute; John Shields, Inveland, N. J.; Spire Men Bowler, Chas. Martin, Los Angeles; Chas. O'Brien, Sam McKnight.

Gatherers—Thomas Daniels, Frank Yandas, Coffeyville; Wm. Habbie, Denver; Fred Miller, John Sutton, Coffeyville; E. Fitch, Muncie, Ind.; Geo. Beebe, John Riddle, Coffeyville; Paul Baudouin, Jules Billimey, Chanute; Ed Hoffman, Chanute; Louis Paccinet, Shreveport; Wm. Flannigan, Chanute; Neal Webb, New Bethlehem; O. P. Gaston, Shreveport; J. Batten, Coffeyville; B. Hann, Wildwood, N. J.; W. Sudlawick, Coffeyville; P. Hipchen, Chanute; Harry Miller, Frank Smith, Coffeyville; W. Bird, New Bethlehem; Wm. McCoy, Chas. Lefler, Roy, N. M.; Fred Phillips, Texarkana; Jack Duflois, ring gatherer; Caney; Jim Duflois, Chanute; J. Evans, Nick Miller, Coffeyville; Archie Donaldson, Chanute; Paul Miller, Frank Smith, Coffeyville; Sam McAlister, Chanute; G. Oldham, New Mexico; R. Smith, Streator; Louis Maul, Okmulgee; Gus Zink, Coffeyville.

Square Gatherers—Robt. Kain, Plattens, W. W. Price, Sam Malcom, Fredonia, Kan.; D. Nagle, Coffeyville; S. H. Stewart, Wildwood, N. J.; C. Malcom, Shreveport; Dick Ashcroft, Coffeyville; Wm. Hollinger, Indiana; Chas. Bird, Coffeyville; Sid Page, New Jersey.

Cutters—Wm. Gerfeld, boss cutter, Wildwood, N. J.; James, Broadhead, Okmulgee; Chester, Griner, Coffeyville; Frank Scott, Ray Hair, Chanute; Patrick, Chas. McCoy, Kane, Pa.; J. Daly, Shreveport; Ed Burrell, Converse, Ind.; Robt. Boles, Denver, Colo.; John Miller, Chanute; Wm. Fox, Weston, W. Va.

The local was organized here with Florence Mickel as president. The Window Glass plant is large and roomy. All departments have electric light and power. The factory is west of the city and has a bottle factory, an auto truck factory and a jug pottery adjoining. A change is being made in the street car line to bring it within two blocks of the factory. The boys have dubbed the vicinity of the factory "Java Town" in honor of Coffeyville. When the wind system is completed, with steam heat the factory will be one of the best in the country. There is also being built a wash and door factory between the cutting room and the bottle factory. Triple thick will be a specialty when this is working. Wichita Falls is suffering a building boom as a result of the inflow of factories.

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IOWA PARK MAN WON A PRIZE

G. M. DAVIS AWARDED \$100 TEXAS INDUSTRIAL CONGRESS CONTEST

HAD 4000 CONTESTANTS

Charles A. Doss of Milam County Won First Prize of \$1,000—His Father Second

By Associated Press. Dallas, Texas, Dec. 12.—The Texas Industrial Congress today awarded \$1,000 in prizes to farmers of Texas. There were four thousand contestants for the 141 prizes. The winner of the \$1000 prize Class A was Charles A. Doss, Rockdale, Milam county. The son of Mr. Doss, who is a young man was to get better brains than father, George Doss. In this he succeeded for his father won a \$500 prize.

The second prize Class A, \$750 a scholarship in the University of Texas, was won by William A. N. Doss of Kingston, Hunt county. G. M. Doss of Iowa Park, Wichita county, won a \$1000 prize in Class A.

BRIQUET MAKING PLANT AT NEWCASTLE, TEXAS

Newcastle is to have a Briquet plant; in fact the plant is rapidly becoming a reality, according to a statement of Mr. L. C. Kinney, chief promoter of the new enterprise. Mr. Kinney, in conversation with a reporter for the Register, claims that coal after going through a certain chemical process, which process, controlled by his company, becomes smokeless, softens, and clinkier and contains 20 per cent less ash than after going through this process will throw off twice as much heat in the coal in its natural state. Active development work has started on the company's lease just across the Brazos southwest of Avenol; carpenters and workmen are busy erecting a house, platform and other necessary buildings. The Register wishes this enterprise to be the success, predicted by its owner.—Newcastle Register.

Support in Speakership Race. Northwest Texas' legislative support in the speakership race in the Legislature will be generally divided according to the present intentions of the legislators. Patrick Henry of this district will probably be for W. C. McKamy of Dallas county; E. P. Haney of Clay Archer district will support J. C. Hunt of Canyon while R. B. Humphries of Throckmorton county is for Chester Terrill of San Antonio. Mr. Humphries was a recent visitor here.

Mr. Humphries said that if Senator Bailey's reported resignation before the end of his term should materialize he intended to support Judge Jo A. P. Dickson of Seymour for that place.

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To prevent the starched bosom of a dress shirt climbing over a low cut vest, an inventor has brought out a shirt that is combined with a pair of short drawers.

13,820,000 BALE CROP ESTIMATE

GOVERNMENT REPORT INDICATES COTTON CROP WILL BE 14,701 SHORT OF LAST YEAR

TEXAS 4,850,000 BALE

Estimates of Lone Star State are Half Million Bales More than Last Year

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 12.—The American cotton crop for the season 1912-13 will amount to 13,820,000 bales of 500 pounds, (not including lint), according to the first estimate made by the government year through—the crop report board, bureau of statistics, Department of Agriculture, and announced this afternoon. This compares 15,692,701 bales of 500 pounds, a five of lint, produced in the crop of last year, when the crop inclusive of lint was 16,000,000 bales of 500 pounds; 11,600 bales in 1910, which including lint amounted to 12,905,688 bales; 10,949 bales in 1909 which including lint amounted to 10,315,332 bales; 13,211,709 bales in 1908 which including lint amounted to 13,550,000 bales, and 11,107,479 bales in 1907, which including lint amounted to 11,375,161 bales. The average production, exclusive of lint for the five years from 1906 to 1910 is 11,847,276 bales. The value of crop, including seed, for the period averaged \$775,822,000. Last year's record crop is estimated to have been worth \$859,840,000, and 1910 crop, 1905, 1,800,000, the most valuable ever produced.

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Buy Him a Box of VICAR CIGARS

THEY'LL TOUCH THE SPOT

News From the Oil Fields

LESS PRODUCTION IN MID-CONTINENT FIELDS.

(Independence (Kan.) Reporter) With one more month to hear from the indications are that the year 1912 will fall short 5,000,000 barrels of producing as much crude oil in the mid-continent field as in 1911. In 1911 the output of the entire field was 59,322,850 barrels, and this year the total production will be somewhere around 54,322,850 barrels. The net income of the producers, this year, however, will be much more than last year.

The total runs for the first 11 months of the present year have been according to the pipe lines, 41,629,829.66 barrels, against 47,049,986.46 barrels last year. A loss this year of 6,010,156.80 barrels. This is partially overcome by the increased consumption by the independent refineries and small shippers. Their runs so far this year have amounted approximately to 8,500,000 barrels, or about 26,000 barrels a day, being somewhat larger than that at the present time.

The deliveries of the three big pipe lines companies for the first eleven months of the present year have aggregated 45,148,028.55 barrels, whereas they were 45,104,595.75 barrels for the corresponding period last year, a decline during this year so far of 43,958,557.18 barrels. These figures show that while the runs have been decreasing over six millions the deliveries have fallen off less than two million barrels.

November failed to show up as well with all of its 816 wells drilled, as strong in production as did October. The total pipe line runs in October were 129,956 barrels a day, dropping off to 131,691 barrels a day in November. The deliveries in October were 149,950 barrels a day and in November they were only 132,053 barrels. In November, 1911, the runs were 120,769 barrels a day and in November, 1912, they were 131,691 barrels daily. The deliveries in November, 1911 were 132,686 barrels per diem and in 1912 during the same month they were 132,053 barrels. A careful study of production and consumption this year as compared with last will prove a much better year for production than 1912 and it will not be at all surprising if 1913 eclipses all former years in the amount of oil produced in the mid-continent field. The present year started out bad and had a hard time catching up with the daily averages of last year, while the new year approaching will probably start out better in both runs and deliveries than this year.

It is hard to tell what the condition would have been but for the

tremendous increase in the amount of drilling. It is morally certain that there would have been a big shortage of oil by this time but for the in-crease of about 400 wells drilled a month in the field. If drilling had been delayed it is a foregone conclusion the mid-continent field would have seen 51 oil by this time. Now much depends upon Cushing. If Cushing should fail to come up to expectations there will unquestionably be a bigger desparity between production and consumption and an advance in price.

The following tables give the various production and consumption figures for this year and last year:

Total Pipe Line Runs, First Eight Months, 1912.

Month	Total bbls.	Daily Aver
Jan.	3,511,348.28	115,333.82
Feb.	3,344,697.54	111,328.88
March	3,370,995.68	109,065.34
April	3,256,972.38	108,565.75
May	3,829,983.16	123,563.97
June	3,637,647.89	121,254.93
July	3,879,128.52	125,133.18
August	4,052,035.52	125,898.18
Sept.	3,877,628.12	128,582.86
Oct.	4,338,647.27	139,956.36
Nov.	3,950,736.29	131,691.14
Total	41,629,829.66	

Total Deliveries, 1912.

Month	Total bbls.	Daily Aver
Jan.	3,807,845.91	123,151.48
Feb.	3,697,290.54	122,887.26
March	3,782,490.47	122,339.37
April	3,839,560.60	127,985.02
May	4,096,366.04	135,400.84
June	4,013,178.24	132,722.63
July	3,918,848.24	126,497.64
August	4,171,466.54	134,554.44
Sept.	4,155,467.20	137,277.24
Oct.	4,529,457.31	148,350.91
Nov.	3,991,614.60	132,053.82
Total	43,146,038.55	

Big Oil Deal Consummated. Tulsa, Okla., Dec. 12.—Announcement was made by Tulsa oil brokers of the consummation of a deal with a syndicate of British bankers, for the sale of 5654 acres of oil lands, scattered throughout the mid-continent field, containing 210 producing oil wells, with an average daily production of 3,200 barrels. The price paid is \$1,500,000. Properties of thirteen oil companies are included in the sale.

The price paid was on a basis of nearly \$500 per barrel, daily average production. This is the highest price ever paid for oil property in this field. It is announced the English syndicate will assume control Jan. 15.

H. E. Wilcox and J. S. Alexander have made a location for a well on the James Van Horn 350-acre tract and the rig will be on the ground in time to begin drilling early next week.

The Greenleaf-O'Hara well on the Hugh Reilly farm is down 1150 feet. Their No. 2 is a rig.

The Staples Well near Iowa Park, where drilling was resumed this week, is reported to have struck another sand which looks considerably better than the first one. Buffalo Oil Company No. 1 Roberts which was reported showing for a well, had but a light showing, and is still drilling.

Petrolia Operations. Prospects were never brighter in the Petrolia oil and gas field than at the present time and it is the opinion of old timers that the beginning of the real oil boom has just arrived and inside of 60 days everything will be going at a lively gallop in the field.

The packer in the Cheeves-Turner Oil and Gas Company, Elliott No. 1, has been causing considerable trouble, and it has been impossible to make a thorough test of this well but it is the opinion of the driller, Dan Scott, that it is good for at least 20 barrels and will probably be placed in the 50 barrel class when it is placed on the pump. The company

has made another location 400 feet south of this well.

The Corsicana Petroleum Company's Body No. 1, about 3 miles west of the Elliot well is drilling at a depth of about 900 feet.

Producers Company, Byers No. 11, which offsets Developers No. 1, is drilling at about 650 feet. Riverside Oil Company's well east of Charlie was started Monday and work is progressing nicely. Edmonds Oil Company, R. E. Taylor No. 1 is drilling at a depth of about 1550 feet.

Colburn Greenlees No. 1, near Dean Station is shut down at about 1400 feet. The Producers Company has placed a rig over Taylor No. 1, the first gusher in the Petrolia field, in an effort to bring it to life again.—Petrolia Round-Up.

Second Test at Quannah. The oil rig of the Great Southern Oil Company of Crowell will be moved and shipped to Quannah next week. Arrangements have been made with the Quannah Gas & Oil Company to put the rig up on their land three miles east of town, where they control a body of land of ten thousand acres.

About half the stock has been subscribed, the Tribune-Chief, man among others taking stock because he believes it to be a good thing, and likely to prove a profitable investment. That the balance of the stock will be forthcoming, we believe, in fact Quannah people would be very foolish to let such opportunity of exploring their country go by the board.—Quannah Tribune-Chief.

L. C. Hivick is rigging up for a well on the farm of Mrs. Mamie Brown, southeast of Iowa Park. The location is in the southwest corner of the tract and the lease-contract calls for immediate operations.

The Magnolia Petroleum Company yesterday filed a supplemental deed of trust in favor of the Columbia-Knikerbocker Trust Company of New York, covering a number of additional improvements made in Wichita county since the \$10,000,000 instrument was first filed, early in 1912. The improvements include new tanks, pipe line extensions, real estate purchased, and numerous minor betterments in connection with the Magnolia's operations in Wichita county.

Leases Filed For Record. Mrs. Grace Jennings to A. Fisher, part of survey No. 1 S A & M G RR Co.; \$215 cash, \$25 per acre additional if oil is found, eighth royalty, drilling in ninety days.

W. E. Norton to Corsicana Petroleum Company, transfer of leases by H K Brumley and wife covering 120 acres \$1250.

G. W. Chapman and wife to J M Guffey Petroleum Company, 100 acres off east side of 123 acre tract; \$2000 cash, eighth royalty, drilling to start in one year.

William Borchardt to G C Wood, forty acres out of G C & S F survey No. 1; \$2000 cash, eighth royalty, drilling to start in sixty days after oil is found on certain adjoining tracts.

Following two advances recently in the price of crude oil in the mid-continent and other fields an advance of five cents per barrel has been made here, making the current quotation 85 cents per barrel. It is considered probable that still another advance will be made before the end of the year, as this field usually follows the mid-continent. Based on the current price for oil, the November average daily production of about 15,500 barrels would be worth \$755 per day more than before the advance.

The Skelly-Crawford well on the farm of Dr. Roberts is due to be the next completion in the Burkburnett vicinity. It is now about 1550 feet deep.

Suit has been filed in the district court against the Corsicana Petroleum Company by A. D. Honaker to try

title and for \$10,000 damages. A 320 acre tract east of Electra is involved in the suit.

Oil Leases and Transfers. W. E. Crow and D. T. Cross to E. W. Morgan, 40 acres of S A & M G No. 1; \$100 cash, eighth royalty, drilling to start at once.

J. H. Brown and wife to Jack Kelley, 160 acres out of S P RR No. 3; \$100 cash, drilling to start in six months. Emile Daume et al to Jack Kelley, 320 acres out of section 1, S P RR, \$106 cash, drilling to start in six months.

The following notice has been mailed to members of the Oil Men's Association: "The annual meeting of the North Texas Oil Men's Association will be held at the Young Men's Progressive League room on the first Monday in January, 1913, at 8 o'clock sharp, for the election of officers and transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting. Your attendance requested. G. C. Wood, president; W. B. Corlett, secretary."

INSTITUTE HEARS STATE OFFICIAL

CHIEF CLERK IN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION ADDRESSES HIGH SCHOOL MEETING

MORE TEACHERS PRESENT Increased attendance when Work Starts This Morning—Resume Study of School Room Essentials

With increased attendance, the Wichita County Teachers' Institute is continuing its session today at the high school. A number of additional teachers arrived yesterday afternoon and very nearly every teacher in the county schools of this county was present this morning.

Monday afternoon the institute heard an address by T. H. Shelby of Austin, chief clerk in the State Department of Education, who discussed several educational problems very interestingly, and entertainingly. Of particular interest was his discussion of consolidation of rural schools, several of the teachers expressing their views on this subject.

This morning's session was called to order at 8:00 by County Superintendent J. M. Johnson and Rev. F. L. McFadden conducted the devotional exercises, asking Divine guidance of the work on the institute. He discussed the close relation of the work of the minister and the teacher and dwelt upon the greatness of the profession and the duties and responsibilities of the teacher.

"As the children of today will be the men and women of tomorrow," said the speaker, "then the teacher is responsible for our future civilization."

The institute enjoyed an interesting reading by Miss Helen Hines of the high school on "Artemus Ward's London Lecture." Chapter five of "School Room Essentials" was then taken up. Prof. Lewis led in the discussion. Prof. Lewis said among other things that he was an objective animal by nature and that if his death was brought about by drowning, to look up stream for his body.

Superintendent Johnson stated that he had in his possession several letters for those present, among them being one for "Mrs. R. M. Johnson." Prof. Johnson is single, and there was no response when he asked for a claimant for the missive. Those attending the institute include: Misses Mabel King, Annie Moody, Mae Ely, Ray Cameron, Ella Powell, Ludy Green, Lula Smith, Annie Hardeeman, Gertrude Deshay, Jenie Belle Pitts, Lillian Neilson, Mary Lou Barrow, Kate Jackson, Irma Shelton, Pauline Lee, Eva Green, Lillie Sisk.

Lillian Blankenship, Alda Roberts, Kate Guthrie, Maude Walker, Grace McGaw, Leola Sherill, Vera Glat, Ethel Swain, Sue Johnston, Katherine Brothers, Ida Gwinn, Lulu Bussey, Pearl Handy, Maude Lindsey, Lucy Herlacher, Bertha Trisler, Edith Trisler, Ruby F. Craig.

Messrs. D. L. Horton, Perkins, Hall, Huffstodler, Corder, Barnett, Harny, DeArmond, Gutlett, Wood, Gebbart, and Gerald Tackwell.

ACCEPTS OFFER OF BRITISH NATION By Associated Press. London, Dec. 17.—Mrs. Whitlaw Reid has decided to accept the offer of a British warship to convey the remains of her late husband to the United States. The arrangements will be completed between the British foreign office and the American State Department.

Hundreds of applications have been received from prominent persons for seats in Westminster Abbey for the memorial service in honor of the late ambassador Friday.

BAILEY DECLINES TO DISCUSS RUMOR By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 17.—Senator J. W. Bailey was declining today to discuss public reports that he will resign about January 1 and that the Texas legislature will elect Col. R. M. Johnston, editor of the Houston Post, to fill out his term until March 4.

Members of the Texas delegation in the House declared they believed the report true. Representative Morris Sheppard was the successful nominee in the Democratic primary.

SNEED WITNESS BOND IS FORFEITED By Associated Press. Fort Worth, Texas, Dec. 17.—The bond of J. A. Weaver, witness for the Sneed defense and indicted on a charge of perjury was declared forfeited this morning by Judge Swayne. The signers are attorneys for Sneed. The amount is \$1000.

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HEARST BEFORE THE COMMITTEE

PUBLISHER SHOWS PHOTOGRAPHIC COPIES OF STAND-ALONE OIL LETTERS

HE WAS CHIEF WITNESS Tells Clapp Committee He Got Original Copies of Letters From Man in London

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 17.—William Randolph Hearst produced before the Senate investigating committee today, several new letters bearing upon the alleged political activities of John D. Archbald, and the Standard Oil Company.

Mr. Hearst testified he knew nothing as to the incidents related in the letters of the circumstances under which Mr. Archbald might have sent money to former Senator Foraker of Ohio and former Representative J. C. Sibley of Pennsylvania, to whom some of the letters were addressed.

The publisher was the chief witness at the committee's short session today. Two of the letters were from John D. Archbald and referred to a projected loan of \$50,000 to Senator Foraker, to be repaid by installments. Mr. Hearst told the committee he had been informed the money was repaid. With the testimony of Mr. Hearst and John Kennedy the later witness called at the request of Senator Oliver to tell of Senator Penrose's connection with the industrial commission, the committee adjourned to meet when recalled by Chairman Clapp.

Mr. Hearst gave to the Senate campaign fund committee photographic copies of all letters in his possession. The New York publisher told the committee he had others that had not been made public. Chairman Clapp asked him if he ever saw the originals of the letters published in his magazine. He said he was not certain but he believed he had only seen photographic facsimile copies.

"Of whom did you get them?" asked Senator Clapp. "Mr. Hearst hesitated a moment. 'I am anxious,' he began, 'to testify very fully to everything I am personally concerned in, and everything of interest to this inquiry. Do you feel this is essential to the inquiry?'" Senator Clapp replied that the authenticity of some of the letters had been questioned. After members of the committee had insisted upon the information, Mr. Hearst responded that he got the copies of John Eddy of London, author of four of the articles published in a magazine.

He testified he did not know of whom Eddy procured the letters. Mr. Hearst then produced several letters and telegrams. The first was from Senator Penrose to John A. Archbald, dated December 4, 1903, at Philadelphia. It said: "I have wires from Senator Aldrich to make an appointment with him to discuss the matter referred to in your letter." It added Senator Penrose himself could meet Mr. Archbald in New York at any time.

A letter from Archbald to J. B. Foraker, then senator from Ohio, expressed the willingness of Mr. Archbald to make a loan of \$50,000. The loan was to bear interest at five per cent and to be repaid in two installments of \$25,000 each.

Mr. Hearst said he knew nothing of the matter to which any of the letters referred. Another letter was from Archbald to former Representative Sibley, in which he referred to an enclosed certificate of deposit of \$5000, "sent you at the request of Mr. Griscom, the purpose of which you no doubt understand with him."

The committee adjourned subject to the call of the chairman, and later in the day former Senator Foraker asked to be heard at once and Chairman Clapp called a meeting of the committee for tomorrow.

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