

IN THE SPHERE OF WOMANKIND

MUSICIANS CLUB CONCERT PROVES ENJOYABLE FEATURE

The members of the Musicians Club entertained with a concert Christmas evening at the First Presbyterian Church...

B. O. P.'s ENTERTAINMENT VERY PLEASANTLY FRIDAY EVENING

The B. O. P.'s, an organization of young ladies of the M. E. Church, South, entertained their members and friends Christmas evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Hardy...

Santa Claus, all of which were the source of much enjoyment.

MUSIC SOCIAL CALENDAR FOR THE COMING WEEK. Monday, Dec. 28—Annual Christmas dance and reception at Elks Club...

B. W. A. OFFICERS ENTERTAINED AT THE HOME OF MRS. FILGO

The old officers of the Woman's Alliance of the First Baptist church and the division leaders of the past year entertained the ladies of the church with a delightful informal reception Monday afternoon...

AT THE THEATERS

TREY O' HEARTS' NO. 14 AT MAJESTIC WEDNESDAY

Towards the close of the same day which witnessed the affair of the flooded mine, a solitary motorist may be observed slowly approaching the mountain village of Mesquite...

THE MYSTERIOUS ROSE AT LYDIA MARGARET MONDAY

It was two roses, one crushed and faded and held fast between cold fingers, the other rather fresh, lying on the floor where it had accidentally fallen which gave Phil Kelley, the famous detective, the first clue to the solution of the startling and altogether baffling murder in the district attorney's home...

stirring detective plays that this notable pair of artists have produced so far. With Miss Cunard in the role of "My Lady Raffles" and Mr. Ford playing Phil Kelley, the spectator is carried along from the first moment the picture is flashed upon the screen until the finish.

"MOTHER" AT THE EMPRESS THEATRE MONDAY

Emma Dunn makes her first appearance in motion pictures in this heart interest story. The picture opens with a view of the sewing room in the Wetherill home. Ardath Wetherill is working and her younger sister, Leonora, is chiefly engaged in conversation with William Howard Wetherill, eldest son, who has married a stage person who is squeezing from him every dollar that may be exacted.

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dime novel until they bear her footsteps. Then they switch to the Bible and hide the novel. The home scene is perfectly familiar. It includes the return of the wayward older boys, which gives the mother back her entire flock an dreads her watching a brood that is her only love and care.

Christian Church.

Bible school at 9:30, W. J. Bullock, superintendent. This being the last Sunday in the old year, we want the whole school assembled together at the close. If possible let every person connected with the Christian Church attend. Regular morning and evening sermons by the pastor. A budget of 52 envelopes are prepared for every one who will contribute to local expense or mission in 1915. These will be given out at the services during the day. Be sure and get one and commence regular giving with the first Sunday in the new year. Teachers and officers conference at 7:30 Monday evening. Wednesday evening will be the last prayer-meeting of the year at 7:30. A cordial invitation to all to attend the closing services of the old year Sunday, Dec. 28, 7:30. F. F. WALTERS, Pastor.

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MOVING PICTURE PARTY BY MRS. DANFORTH SATURDAY

Mrs. W. P. Danforth entertained a party for the moving picture theatre, the affair being a compliment to the hostess' sister, Miss Stett of Dallas. Several of the theatres were visited and the informal occasion proved very enjoyable.

CHRISTMAS DANCE OF ELKS LODGE TOMORROW EVENING

The annual Christmas ball and reception by the local lodge of Elks will be held Monday evening at the lodge rooms and is being looked forward to with pleasurable anticipation. Of the 250 to whom invitations have been issued. Plans have been made for the usual formal occasion which has always been such a pleasing feature of the holidays in the past.

MEETING OF D. A. R. FOR NEXT SATURDAY ANNOUNCED

The local chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution will meet next Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. O. E. Maer. The roll call is to be answered with patriotic quotations. Miss Minnie Young has been chosen as leader for the meeting.

BROTHERHOOD OF YEOMEN ENJOYS CHRISTMAS TREE

The members of the Brotherhood of American Yeomen and their families and friends attended a Christmas tree in the eYomen hall Thursday evening. The tree was decorated in holly and Christmas adornments, adding much to its attractiveness. Each one present received a gift from Santa Claus and each child received a substantial portion of candy, nuts and fruit.

CHRISTMAS REUNION IS HELD AT HUGGINS HOME

Mrs. J. H. Huggins and daughter, Lucy, entertained with a family dinner Christmas Day. The following were present: W. H. Huggins, Vernon; S. H. Huggins, Amarillo; T. H. Huggins, family, Childress; Joe Huggins, Childress; J. B. Huggins, Abilene; R. B. Huggins, Wichita Falls; and Dr. and Mrs. Mackellar, Loveland, Okla.

In Closing Up Our First Year's Business

We do so thanking our Friends and Customers for their very liberal patronage, and sincerely hope our efforts to please you have not been in vain, but that they have been such as will merit a continuance of same, assuring you our every efforts shall be for a store with a better service in 1915, and with our thanks, we also extend our very best wishes for a peaceful, prosperous and Happy New Year



"GETTING TO THE BALL GAME" AT THE GEM MONDAY

Arthur Housman is featured in an Edison comedy, "Getting to the Ball Game." Meekley was a real baseball fan, but in spite of all his efforts to interest his wife, she stolidly refused to become enthusiastic and furthermore, forbade him to attend the games. His friends joked him about it and he took it as good naturedly as possible, until one day three of his friends arrived with the news that they had been reserved for the game and Meekley decided to disregard his wife's wishes and go anyway. Making an excuse to his wife, he

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**RADFORD WANTS TO KNOW ABOUT LOAN**

ASKS WHAT HAS BECOME OF \$135,000,000 WHICH WAS RAISED

**CANNOT BENEFIT FARMER NOW**

Crop is Out of Hands of Producer, He Says, and Efforts To Help Have Failed.

Special to The Times. —Fort Worth, Texas, Dec. 26.—Peter Radford, National lecturer of the Farmers' Union has given out an interview on the \$135,000,000 cotton holding plan, presenting the farmers viewpoint. Mr. Radford wants to know what has become of the money and invites the co-operation of the business interests of the nation in warehousing and financing the cotton crops of the future.

"The government officially estimates the 1914 cotton crop at 15,969,000 bales. This is the largest producer in the history of the cotton industry," said Mr. Radford. "The 1911 crop held the record to the present year with a production of 15,950,701 bales I estimate we have at least two million bales in the field, much of it deserted by the discouraged farmer and will probably never be gathered. The 1914 crop also ranks among the largest in production per acre, averaging 208 pounds per acre and reaches the low water mark in price. The price officially estimated for the 1914 crop is six cents per pound, against an average price of twenty cents per pound in 1913 and a production of 182 pounds per acre."

"The value of the 1914 crop is six cents less per pound or \$480,000,000 less than the value of last year's crop. This is a greater financial blow to the South than the freeing of the slaves and it has sent millions of Southern farmers and their families wandering down the thoroughfares of poverty, but the South is braving an untold adversity. When the war was over we beat our swords into plowshares and we have the courage and ability to transform a calamity into a blessing.

"The Farmers' Union asked Congress to meet the emergency by lending money on cotton so as to enable poor farmers to hold their crop, but the request was rejected or rather modified by the government agreement to join with bankers in providing a fund of \$135,000,000 for lending on cotton. The government had a special construction placed upon it, the patriotism of bankers was appealed to and headlines full of hope were flashed across the columns of the leading newspapers of the nation for a few months, but where is the money now? No farmer has ever seen a dollar of it. There is nothing quite as destructive to those in distress as a false hope and if this movement which has been so persistently heralded to the world has failed, we are entitled to know it.

"I want to call attention to the fact that the farmer—the owner of the property involved—was never consulted in the transaction. The story was told him as children are told the story of Arabian Nights and the bedtime story of the rainbow with the lot of gold and it seems to be about the same sort of literature. The farmer's voice never taken into the confidence of the councils of the business men and the government official engaged in the transaction. We do not know why.

**Out of Producers Hands.**  
"It is perhaps sufficient to say that the business movement having for its component parts the most powerful forces on the American continent made an honest and strenuous effort to help the farmer and failed and the farmers of the South are now drinking the bitter dregs of that failure. Approximately three-fourths of the cotton crop is now out of the hands of the producer and the poor farmer who most needed the money has been squandered and has been squandered in the struggle to overcome the deficit that has taken school books from his children, shoes off his wife and threatens the shelter of his family and it is to his permanent relief that the government and the business men of the nation should now turn their attention.

"There must be comprehensive plans adopted for financing and warehousing the cotton crops of the future and more nearly co-ordinating production with consumption and a system of rural credit that will give the business methods that will give the farmer cheap money. It cannot be accomplished by interviews, resolutions and speeches. It takes capital farm products, co-operation and legislation and all these economic elements are available and need only to be masterfully arranged and timed.

"The problem has three factors—the farmers, the business men and the government, and if all three elements will unite we can easily work out plans for relief and the organized farmers of America are ready to do their share."

**LAKE WICHITA FISHING IS REPORTED EXCELLENT**

Good fishing at Lake Wichita was reported last week some good catches of crappie being made. Most of the crappie caught were of an unusually large size. The cool weather does not seem to affect fishing so long as the sun is shining. Several fishermen are reported to have made good catches yesterday.

**First Evangelical Church** (Corner Fifteenth and Broad) Sunday school at 10 a. m. Preaching service as follows: German at 11 a. m. English at 8 p. m. Y. F. M. Meeting at 7 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday night at 8 o'clock. New Year's day German preaching service at 10 a. m. Everybody is cordially invited to attend this service.  
C. ERMEL, Pastor.

**HARDEMAN COUNTY GEOLOGICAL SURVEY**

GOVERNMENT CORPS CONDUCTING INVESTIGATIONS THERE

**LOOK FOR FIELD'S EXTENSION**

Believe Electric and Petroli Formations Can Be Traced To That Section

The Northwest Texas oil and gas fields extend south and west through Archer, Hardeman and Wilbarger counties is the theory of a United States geological survey corps which is now at work in Hardeman county, which also believes that the Northwest Texas field is, generally speaking, a continuation of the Mid-Continent field of Kansas and Oklahoma. A number of wildcat wells have been drilled in Hardeman and Wilbarger counties in an effort to find extensions of the sands, but without any success as yet.

"Quannah is one of the several localities in the Red River beds country of Oklahoma and Texas, which are being examined with a view of ascertaining its mineral possibilities," recently wrote George O. Smith, director of the geological survey to Representative John H. Stephens.

"In Oklahoma the area thus covered by structural reconnaissance explorations is considerable larger than it is at present possible to examine in Texas, on account of the co-operation of the State geological survey of Oklahoma, which is bearing half of the cost of the work. In the older of the formations of Texas, a few areas only of the red beds will have been examined with special attention to structural details. Topographic maps, such as are needed for oil and gas structure studies, are lacking for this area.

"In the coastal plain region of your State general geological reconnaissance work with preparation of reports describing the classification and distribution of the geological formations and basins in particular upon the underground water supplies, are in progress. In addition to this general work in that region it is planned to make some examinations from the oil and gas standpoint of the structure in that part of East Texas lying west of the Caddo-Shreveport district of Louisiana. Efforts will be made to trace into East Texas some of the favorable structures examined in Louisiana, or to locate points where similar favorable geological conditions are present in Texas. The oil and gas examinations will necessarily be very limited in area on account of the difficult character and the high cost of the work, but the examinations will be carried on as far as the funds will permit.

"Quannah was chosen one of the localities in Northwest Texas for examination, partly on account of its position further northwestward in the red beds region than the discovery of the Oklahoma-Texas region and partly on account of its accessibility. It is not certain that commercial pools of oil and gas are present so far to the west in the red beds basin; but it is felt that the westward movement of the oil pool discoveries and the wildcat skirmish line is destined to lead to the exploration by the drill of the upper beds of the Permian and even of the Trias if the results of the order drilling are sufficiently promising. The readiness now prevailing in the oil industry for temporary and a bound to be followed by renewed vigor of activity."

**CANADIAN TROOPS AWAIT CALL TO ACTIVE SERVICE**

Have Been Reorganized Since Reaching England—Expect To Be Sent To Egypt

By Associated Press.—Salisbury, England, Dec. 26.—Canadian troops camped at Salisbury here have had a rough experience since they landed in England. It has rained nearly every day since the Canadians entered into camp here and the flat grounds are a sea of mud.

All branches of the service have been greatly handicapped by the mud and rain. Drill has been very trying. However, the Canadian organizations are showing the best of spirit and patiently undergoing the training necessary to qualify them for service at the front.

A complete reorganization of the Canadian troops is taking place to make them uniform with the British army. Instead of having each company act as a separate unit, two companies are combined, one captain acting as the senior officer, the other as his assistant, and each lieutenant commanding one of the four platoons with about sixty men each. This plan makes it possible for the senior captain to be relieved of all routine duties so he can give his time to the broader administrative and military problems. The Canadians have taken very kindly to the change, the lieutenants being especially fond of the plan, as it places greater responsibility and independence upon them than the old single company system.

Rumors are circulated in camp almost daily that the Canadian contingent will be sent to Egypt as soon as it is whipped into shape. The Canadians are quite willing to go anywhere where there is fighting. As such excitement is promised in Egypt the Canadians are anxious to go there, hoping to be transferred later to France so they can have a chance at the German.

The British That Does Not Allow The Hand to be raised in such a way as to bring into question the honor of the British Empire is better than ordinary civility and does not cause servile and needless in honor. Responder: The full and complete signature of E. W. GROVE, 1914.

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\$1.50 blankets	\$1 13	\$1.25 comforts	95c
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\$2.50 blankets	\$1 88	\$2.00 comforts	\$1 50
\$3.00 blankets	\$2 25	\$2.50 comforts	\$1 88
\$3.50 blankets	\$2 63	\$3.00 comforts	\$2 25

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**BURDENS OF WAR FALLING HEAVILY ON SWITZERLAND**

Cost of Keeping Army Mobilized is Large—Hotel Business is Now at Standstill

By Associated Press.—Zurich, Dec. 26.—Switzerland's lot since the war began has been a hard one. The cost of maintaining the army in a state of mobilization is estimated at fully \$400,000 a day. The loss to the hotel keepers in three months is figured at \$25,000,000.

The hotel keepers probably suffer more than any other class, especially as they had lean years in 1912 and 1913 owing to bad weather. They had looked forward to 1914 as likely to make up all deficits; the weather from the beginning of the summer was excellent and the rush of tourists in June and early July was unprecedented.

The few tourists who remained after the warcloud appeared were frightened away by the panic among the Swiss bankers, which caused the refusal of all letters of credit and even foreign money.

At present, many of the big hotels are closed and the number of guests in those which remain open is almost negligible. Nor is there much likelihood of any improvement in conditions in time for the winter sports season.

As a matter of fact, living conditions in Switzerland have changed very little. There is a shortage of coal and petrol but food prices have probably increased not much more than ten per cent.

**COTTON FOR PRUSSIA SHIPPED FROM HOUSTON**

By Associated Press. —Houston, Texas, Dec. 26.—A cotton shipment unique in the history of the staple started from Houston last week, when 4,000 bales began the long journey to Vladivostok, from which port it will be transhipped to interior Russian points. A steamship company contracted to carry the shipment for \$1.80 per hundred pounds from Houston to Vladivostok via the Panama Canal and the Pacific, the Baltic Sea at present not being much of a thoroughfare because of the war and the Arctic route, by which Archangel may be reached, is open only a few months in the year and those months would have passed before the cotton could reach there.

**MOTHER: Monday**

In this advanced age in the rush and flurry of the busy life would we forget the gentle, patient and ever forgiving MOTHER? In different ways we may be separated from her, but we all have some very sweet memories of the time when she was our only idol, and in this picture there will be scenes that will possibly remind you of some of those very things that are now held as sacred things of memory. We felt that we should give our patrons something in way of treat during the holidays that would in a measure show our appreciation of the liberal patronage that we have received from the people of our city and surrounding country, and in looking over the large list of fine productions our eyes and minds could not get away from this very fine picture put out by Wm. A. Brady Picture Co., and one of the very best, starring the great stage favorite Emma Dunn—who was so ideal in the visualization of MOTHER on the current stage. In giving our patrons the opportunity of seeing this very fine picture we are not making any advance in the price which will be as usual **5c and 10c**

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Professional Cards

Professional Cards section listing various lawyers (Robert E. Huff, W. E. Fitzgerald, etc.), dentists (Dr. W. H. Felder, Dr. T. R. Boger, etc.), and veterinarians (J. T. Traylor, D. V. M.).

SOMETHING ABOUT RUSSIA'S OIL PORT

ANTIQUITY AND TWENTIETH CENTURY MEET AT BATUM ON BLACK SEA

VISTULA RIVER'S IMPORTANCE

National Geographic Society Tells of Stream On Which History is Being Made

Washington, Dec. 26.—The National Geographic Society today gave out fascinations of the great Russian oil port of Batum, which the Turks recently bombed and of the Vistula River region, which has been the scene of the great eastern campaign between Russian and Austro-German forces.

of around \$20,000,000 a year, and with the same alertness of air which business success has brought to western cities.

The Vistula River. The Vistula River, one of the mightiest streams flowing toward the north, sweeps in an irregular course through three empires, Austria, Russia and Germany. It serves as a frontier line between Austria and Germany, between Austria and Russia, and for a shorter distance, between Russia and Germany.

Commercial Importance. The plain through which the river passes from Warsaw to the Prussian boundary smooths away into swelling lowlands, the river courses become tricky and wandering, while the sandy banks are forever sliding into the water.

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### PARIS NEWSPAPERS

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MANY PECULIAR THINGS ARE APT TO HAPPEN TO DISPATCHES

#### MANY EDITORS ON FIRING LINE

Papers Are Affected in Many Ways By War and Have Suffered Considerably

By Associated Press. Paris, Dec. 25.—Peculiar things happens to news in these days when it is so scarce and censors are so strict. Much news is "lifted" from one newspaper into another, and when a writer sets a story into print there is no telling under what date line, or whose name, it may reappear.

One of the few graphic and authentic stories from the front appeared in an afternoon paper here on a recent Sunday. It was cabled to New York the same evening. The next day Paris newspaper picked up the story and that afternoon another paper did the same thing. Other papers, morning and afternoon, ran the story on Tuesday. And then, on Wednesday morning an English newspaper printed the item as a "special despatch from the north of France," over the signature of an authentic war correspondent.

The incident is not so much an example of loose editorial work as a demonstration of the journalist's troubles during the war. Copy is scarce enough at best, and the censor ruins the best of it while the staffs of all the Paris papers are decimated by the mobilization.

Censor's Peculiar Ideas. Each copies from all the others and a story that passes observation today may catch the eye tomorrow. This applies to the censor's staff as well, for an article approved in the morning is sometimes cut out in the afternoon. One man with the official scissors sees one paragraph that will not do. His colleague passes the same article in another paper, but finds another objectionable paragraph that the other did not see.

Clemenceau's rechristened paper, L'Homme Enchaîné, recently contained the heading of an editorial "Is It True?" The rest of the column was blank and the public shall have to wait for the end of the war to know whether it is true or not.

In another case a dangerous news item was cut out but the head was overlooked. It was a good head, and of course, contained the meat of the article. The Cri de Paris says "the censor is as capricious as a pretty woman, then proves it by giving details of certain incidents in which ex-minister Callaux and Madame Callaux were concerned, but regarding which the censor had imposed a strict silence. Monsieur and Madame Callaux appeared arm-in-arm on the boulevard, and were hooted. They went to a restaurant to dine and all the other guests rose to leave. They went into the garage where the requisitioned motor-cars of the military government of Paris are kept and ordered a car, but the car was refused and Gallieni approved the refusal. All these incidents suppressed pitilessly by the censor in Paris, were passed in the Eclair of Nice, and the news of the Cri de Paris had the chance to smuggle them into Paris under the nose of the censor who previously cut them out.

How War Affects Press. The newspaper was one of the first institutions hit by the war. With the first excitement of circulation went up by leaps and bounds, while the mobilization cut off sources of supply. Paper, Dailies that had not a good reserve stock shrank at once from four pages to two, then from a full sheet some even appeared for weeks in quarter sheet size.

At the same time so many unemployed men, women and children came news-vendors, that Paris suffered for a time from a riot of news. The military governor decided that it was too much for the nerve of Paris, and at the first sign that the situation was becoming panicky, all extras were suppressed and the crying of news or titles of newspapers prohibited.

The temporary disappearance of the illustrated journals was a severe blow to those who gather around the kiosks and get cheap information and diversion from the dozens of periodicals displayed.

The Illustrations, the Annales, Puy Blas, the Cri de Paris, Lectures pour Vous, Rise and Je Sais Tout, have reappeared, but nearly all the humorous weeklies are still absent for obvious reasons. The cartoonist is exercising his talent on war posters, displayed for sale alongside voluminous series of post cards. Some of them are subtle in their satire, but the war has benumbed the inspiration and wit of the French cartoonist.

The afternoon calm of the boulevard is undisturbed by the loud voiced newsboys, who seemed always to be making a desperate race for some unknown goal and trying to sell out their stock of sporting papers on the wing. No more crawling under a belt in the outset of hostilities. All other sporting journals suspended and thus far only the "Auto" and Sporting have resumed.

Meanwhile new publications, born of the war—chronological, historical and photographic, are appearing nearly every day.

#### TOO MUCH CHRISTMAS WHISKEY CAUSED DEATH

By Associated Press. El Paso, Texas, Dec. 26.—John Desperio, crawling under a belt in the Southwestern Portland Cement plant to oil the machinery, was caught by the belt and beat to death against the machinery. Three Mexicans were killed last night in El Paso two being stabbed and the other shot. Too much Christmas whiskey caused the tragedies.

J. L. Chancellor of Fort Worth is the holiday guest of R. H. Chancellor and family.

### WORK OF DOGS IN AMBULANCE SERVICE

HAVE PROVEN OF MARKED VALUE TO ARMIES IN FRANCE

#### LEARN TO SEEK OUT WOUNDED

Are Taught To Find Wounded Soldiers and Bring Help To Them in Field

By Associated Press. Paris, Dec. 25.—Notwithstanding much that has already been recorded of them, the ambulance dogs have not yet been given full recognition for the part they are playing in the war, say the dog lovers.

Through the courtesy of Dr. Kresser of the National Society of Ambulance Dogs, the Associated Press has been shown a dozen letters from army surgeons and soldiers telling in interesting detail some of their intelligent and courageous feats. First, discussing the general usefulness of the dog in field ambulance work, Dr. Kresser said this usefulness had become greater in proportion to the development of modern methods of warfare.

"The infantryman today does his fighting from the ground, under any cover he can find," he said, "creeping through thickets, hiding in ditches, behind hedges and every spot that is likely to conceal him from the enemy. Naturally, the same cover hides him from the view of the stretcher bearers picking up the wounded after the battle.

"This duty is further complicated by the fact that it must be done at night, as the intensity of fire makes it impossible to pick up the wounded on the field during an engagement. In this work of seeking the wounded at night the ambulance dog becomes indispensable, since lights are forbidden to the stretcher bearers for fear of exposing positions of the enemy; consequently the salvation of hundreds of wounded soldiers depends upon the sharp scent, intelligence and devotion of the ambulance dog.

#### Shepherd Dogs Are Used.

"The French ambulance dog is the French shepherd, an animal which is proven to be far better adapted to the work than the German shepherd dog formerly employed in the French army because the German dog is more ferocious and is taught to fight the enemy as well as to discover the wounded of his own troops. The French dog is taught to seek the wounded of the enemy's troops as well as his own. He is as gentle as he is faithful and, in the case of 'Tom,' is the pet of his company. The case of 'Tom' is this: 'Gaston Durand of the 39th infantry fell in one of the violent engagements in the Argonne Forest, wounded in the arm by a fragment of a shell, with a bullet in his jaw and nearly scalped by a blow from a sabre. He tried to rise, but a heavy weight fell upon him and then he lost consciousness. The first thing he became aware of was a feeling that resembled a caress upon his forehead. He opened his eyes and there was Tom, one of the ambulance dogs, affectionately licking his torn head. He tried to rise, but the heavy weight, that had borne him down was still there. It was the body of one of his comrades who had fallen with a bullet through his heart.

#### Dog Brings Help.

Impossible to extricate himself, he finally succeeded in getting to a sitting posture. His cap was gone and that explained why Tom had not gone back to the ambulance for help. Durand looked and Tom searched, but no cap was to be found. 'Go, Tom, and fetch the comrades,' Durand cried. A half hour later Tom came back with his teeth, began tugging at him. The soldier did not understand. Then Tom barked appealingly, but with no more effect. Finally he barked menacingly, with no result. Then the doctor came along. He understood and Tom gave a yelp of joy when he realized that he had succeeded. Directed by him, the doctor and the stretcher bearers soon found Durand, hidden in a thicket, where probably he would have passed unnoticed until either he had starved or died from his wounds, had it not been for Tom.

They lifted the dead man off, carried Durand back to the ambulance, and notwithstanding the gravity of his three wounds, he is now mending, all thanks to Tom.

#### Other Cases Reported

Tom's is not an isolated incident of the devotion of the ambulance dog. A case is reported from the vicinity of Verdun in which a dog discovered a soldier who had been wounded in the head and who had received first-aid from one of his comrades, who afterwards had been obliged to abandon him. His cap had also been lost and the dog could find nothing that he could carry back to the ambulance to report his find, but he had the intelligence to touch the bandage on the soldier's head. Finally, despairing of finding anything he could carry back he lay down on the ground opposite the wounded man and howled dismally until help came.

Dr. Vertier, surgeon in the 13th Army Corps, reports that the ambulance dogs in his corps have saved hundreds of lives and that not in a single instance have they mistaken a dead body for a wounded man. In some cases where the soldier's cap could not be found, the dog has torn open his knapsack and hunted out something that he could carry back to show that he had made a discovery.

#### 100 Now in Service

The National Society for the training of ambulance dogs has already sent 100 of these animals into the field and seventeen more are soon to go. Dr. Troussaint, director of the Sanitary Service at the ministry of war has authorized the training of stretcher bearers with the dogs, so that they may be able to work better in harmony, the



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### MANY OF PROMINENCE ON FIRING LINE FOR FRANCE

Descendants of Four Former Presidents of Republic Are Doing Active Service

By Associated Press. Paris, Dec. 25.—Names which have become famous in recent French history appear daily in despatches from the front. Descendants of four former presidents of the French republic are fighting in the armies. They are: Lazre Hippolyte Sadi Carnot, who is a major in an infantry regiment; Claude Casimir Perier, who is a lieutenant in an infantry regiment and recently was wounded; the Duke of Magenta, a son of Marshal MacMahon, a brigadier general and a worthy ancestor of "Patrasche"—the dog of Flanders immortalized by "Quidam" (Louis) in the English novelist, who was wounded in the leg; at the same time one of the gunners was wounded in the face and after the battle they were seen returning. The soldier had the dog in his arms and the dog was affectionately licking the wound in his master's face.

Sometimes Carry Messages. "Prasco" is the name of a shepherd dog that belongs to an Etatet who carries orders along the lines with a sash. "Prasco" sits alongside his master; whatever the pace and how ever rough may be the route, he cannot be shaken from his post. The Etatet received a bullet in his shoulder the other day and was unable to go on. He tucked the order which he was to bring back to headquarters under the dog's collar and finally persuaded him to start off with it. The dog delivered his message and then started back to find his master, accompanied by stretcher bearers, who brought him safely back to the lines.

Another dog who will go into history of this war belongs to the 2nd Regiment of Artillery. He guards the battery while the men are reposing and he keeps his party as the gun-carriage when the battery is going into position. If the road is so rough as to shake him off sometimes, then he leaps upon the horses' backs. He is never left behind.

BOB HOLLOWAY, GAMEST POLICEMAN, IS DEAD

By Associated Press. Fort Worth, Texas, Dec. 26.—Bob Holloway called the gamest officer in Texas by his fellow policemen, died here today partly as the result of his many wounds, particularly one he received in a battle with Mexicans in Waco ten years ago. A fall from his motorcycle several months ago resulted in long confinement and recently pneumonia developed. The weak condition of his lung where a Mexican's knife had penetrated made a cure almost impossible. Holloway had killed four men; he had been a member of the Waco, Denver and Fort Worth forces.

### MUSSULMAN SOLDIERS IN FRANCE OBSERVE RITES

Government Provides For Observance of Their Religious Customs, Very Fully

By Associated Press. Paris, Dec. 25.—The government, in arranging facilities for the religious services of the sects in the army, as previously announced, did not forget the Mussulmans. For the fete Al Louch or Feast of the Lamb, which fell on Saturday, October 31st the military authorities arranged for the installation of provisional mosques wherever practicable. At each place a flag sheep was provided for the rites which it was possible and when no live animal was available a quarter of mutton was furnished.

A great many wounded Africans in Havre and Saint Brieux were thus able to celebrate the great Mussulman fete as usual. After the abutions, the faithful kneel barefoot, according to the rites, on carpets spread in school houses or in the courts of buildings, wherever premises were available and after long prayers, returned to the hospitals where the fete continued with the participation of those whose condition prevented them from leaving their beds.

### SOME COTTON BRINGING BETTER THAN SEVEN CENTS

As High As 7.50 Paid During Week—Farmers Continue To Hold Back

Warehoused cotton sold at seven cents a pound and better last week, some cotton being sold here as high as 7.50. Farmers continue to hold their cotton it being estimated that not more than a third of the crop in this county has been sold.

Some of the cotton now being offered has already been damaged by exposure to the rains. This cotton brings from five to ten dollars a bale less than cotton that has been protected from the weather.

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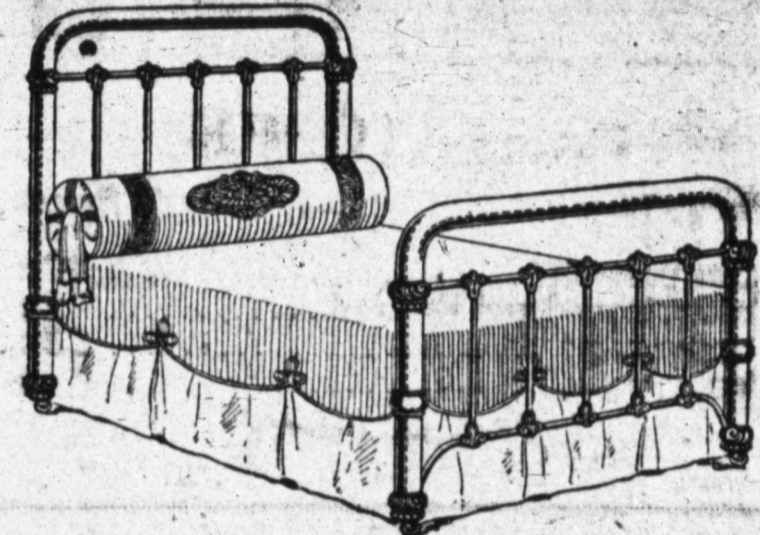
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## FIRE CHIEF McCURE PRESENTED WITH WATCH

Members of Department Give Him Handsome Timepiece Christmas

Fire Chief J. L. McCure is the proud owner of a handsome gold watch and chain presented to him as a Christmas gift by the members of the Wichita Falls Fire Department. The watch is a 21 jeweled Waltham. Mr. McCure has the affection of every member of the department and under his leadership the department has reached a high state of effectiveness. Unless there are disastrous fires this week the year's record will show a big reduction in fire losses and a representative of the State fire marshal's office is expected here this week for an inspection with a view of granting a lower rate of insurance for Wichita Falls.

## PROHIBITION CONGRESS AT ATLANTIC CITY

Anti-Saloon League Calls Meeting of Prohibition Forces on Hobson Resolution

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 26.—Prohibitionists will hold a five days Congress in Atlantic City beginning on July 6, 1915, at which the Sheppard-Hobson resolution pending in Congress for the submission to the states of a constitutional amendment for national prohibition will be considered. This was announced here today by the Anti-Saloon League of America by which the Congress has been called and under whose auspices it will be held. Thousands of delegates are expected to attend and special trains from each state are to be run for the occasion. The particular time for holding the meeting was selected because it is hoped to impress the thousands of visitors usually at Atlantic City with the sentiment and the slogan "National Prohibition by 1920." A feature of the Congress will be a "four ring circus" in constant operation where prominent speakers will address the convention and delegates.

**TWO HAGENBACK BROTHERS KILLED IN BATTLE**  
By Associated Press. St. Louis, Dec. 26.—Word that Lorenz and Henry Hagenback manager owners of Germany have been killed in battle was received today by George Dieckmann, president of the St. Louis Zoological Society.

## A FRENCH SUBMARINE IS REPORTED SUNK

Italian Press States Vessel Was Attempting To Torpedo Austrian Battleship

By Associated Press. Paris, Dec. 26.—The Italian press states, according to advices to the Matin, that a French submarine, belonging to the fleet of Vice Admiral Lapeyrere has been sunk while attempting to torpedo Austrian battleships in the Adriatic naval base of Pola. The crew, it is stated, were rescued and taken prisoners.

## REPRESENTATIONS BY WHITLOCK UNOFFICIAL

State Department Has Authorized No Attempt To Dissuade Germany From Levy

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 26.—Secretary Bryan reiterated today that Mr. Brand Whitlock, American ambassador to Belgium had taken any action to dissuade the German military authorities from collecting a war levy on Brussels he had been acting entirely in an unofficial capacity and without any instructions from the American government. The secretary said he had no information that Mr. Whitlock had been contacted.

## OFFICIALS CHARGED WITH FRAUDS AT ELECTION

Mayor, District Judge and Sheriff at Terre Haute Among the 65 Arrested

By Associated Press. Indianapolis, Dec. 26.—Charged in federal indictments of attempts to corrupt the election of November 3 in Terre Haute, Don M. Roberts, mayor of Terre Haute and an ambitious candidate for the democratic nomination for governor in 1916, was taken in custody at Terre Haute. Roberts admitted he and Judge Eli H. Redman of Vigo circuit court had been arrested. Neither furnished bond late today. Dennis Shea, sheriff, who surrendered voluntarily today announced he had been able to furnish bond. The arrests, nineteen in number, bring the total in custody to 65, forty-six having been arrested last night. Those arrested include county and city officials, election inspectors, barkeepers, a state legislator and a city judge and cab drivers.

## Additional Brevities

- E. G. Hill, bricklayer, office and parlors 909 Scott Ave. Phone 225. Prompt ambulance service. 42 ft c.
- Dr. Nelson Moore & Bateman Bldg. Phone 586. 86 ft c.
- Dr. Bolding, dentist, office 206 Kemp & Kell Bldg. Phone 204. 61 ft c.
- Morgan Feed Co. deliver all kinds of feed to any and all parts of the city. Phone 1793, 1000 Ohio. 95 ft c.
- Wonderful Opportunity. Those who wish to learn the latest society dances must see Miss Usery at once and begin with the new classes. Call Miss Usery at Westland Hotel. 95 ft c.
- Church Members. Help pay off the mortgage. Make the church a present of a check from the Wichita State Bank's Landis Christmas Savings Club—as a Christmas offering. 95 ft c.
- Music! Music! Music! Thousands of dollars are thrown away annually for music lessons. I guarantee to teach anyone how to play the everyday parlor music on sight within one year and less time. Piano, voice, violin, sight reading. Phone 705 reaches me meal time only. PROF. P. E. PFEIFER, 1103 Scott Avenue. 95 ft c.
- Open meeting of Knights of Pythias Tuesday night, Dec. 29, at 7:30. 95 ft c.
- Automobiles have been registered as follows: C. S. Bradley, Burkburnett, Buick 1076; J. J. Hardover, Wichita Falls, Imperial 1077. 95 ft c.
- Dr. H. A. Waller, dentist, room 207, K. & K. Bldg. Phone 534. 25 ft c.
- Notice to Stockholders. The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Wichita Falls Cash and Door Company will be held at Wichita Falls, Texas, Tuesday, Jan. 12th, 1915, at 10 a. m., at the office of Anderson and Patterson, 615 Eighth street, for the purpose of electing a board of directors and the transaction of such other business as may come before them. 91-107 c.
- G. D. ANDERSON, Sec.
- The Modern Crochet Club will meet in regular session Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Hammond. 91-107 c.
- It is not expected that there will be much doing in the district court this week on account of the holiday recess. No jury has been called for the week. A special venire is summoned for the first Monday in January when the case of Tom Smith, negro charged with murdering his wife, is set for trial. 91-107 c.
- Dimes, Nickels and Pennies. Let your allowance to slip away for useless things, will soon grow into a generous sum if you will save them in the Wichita State Bank's Landis Christmas Savings Club. 95 ft c.

## Open meeting Knights of Pythias Tuesday night at 7:30

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## Associated Press News.

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- Plan To Get Married at Yuletide. Join the Wichita State Bank's Landis Christmas Savings Club and save your money. 95 ft c.
- Owing to delays in the installation of some of the machinery Ball-Bros. Fruit Jar plant will not reopen probably before January 10th. E. B. Ball is expected to arrive from Muncie, Ind., about January 1 and will personally install some of the machinery. 95 ft c.
- Notice to Stockholders. The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Wichita State Bank will be held in its offices at Wichita Falls, Texas, January 12th, 1915, same being the second Tuesday in said month, at 3 p. m., for the purpose of electing directors and transacting such other business as may come before the meeting. 88 ft c.
- W. W. GARDNER, Cashier.
- Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Pounds, 2011 Tenth Street, were graciously remembered by Santa Claus, Dec. 25, with a ten and a half pound girl. 94 ft c.
- Roast turkey with cranberry sauce 25c every day until New Year's Eve; under new management; best of everything in the market at the lowest prices; for ladies and gentlemen. Farmers' Cafe. 615-1-2 Indiana avenue. 94 ft c.
- Ladies you are especially invited to attend the auction sale at Ponville's. Two sales daily 2 and 7 p. m. Come Monday. 95 ft c.
- Notice to Stockholders. The annual meeting of the stockholders of the First State Bank and Trust Company will be held at its place of business in the city of Wichita Falls, Texas, January 13th, 1915, at 2 p. m., same being the second Tuesday in said month, for the purpose of electing directors and the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting. 89-95-101-107. T. J. TAYLOR, Cashier.
- Baby Will Want a Tree and a lot of other things next Christmas. Make her a member of the Wichita State Bank's Landis Christmas Savings Club and she will be sure to get them. 95 ft c.
- Open meeting Knights of Pythias Tuesday night, Dec. 29 at 7:30. 95 ft c.

## 32 BELOW ZERO AT OGDENBURG, NEW YORK

Barre Vermont Reported 32 Below—December Weather Records Broken

By Associated Press. New York, Dec. 26.—New York today experienced the coldest weather of the season, four degrees above zero. The wind blew thirty miles an hour Ogdensburg, N. Y., reported 32 degrees below; the lowest temperature in Vermont; 32 below was reported today in Barre. This breaks all December records. 95 ft c.

## BELOW ZERO NORTH OF KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

By Associated Press. Kansas City, Dec. 26.—Extreme cold last night sent the mercury below zero over virtually all the northern half of Missouri and the states north; but south of Kansas City where it was two below at dawn, the temperature was higher. At Springfield, Mo., it was eight below; Oklahoma City experienced an unusually low temperature for that locality, the thermometer reaching eight above. 88 ft c.

## MILLIONS REQUIRED FOR STATE GOVERNMENT

By Associated Press. Austin, Texas, Dec. 26.—It will cost \$15,879,686 to operate the Texas state government for the next two fiscal years according to estimates filed by heads of the various departments with the controller's department a compilation of which was given out today. For the first year this estimate is \$8,351,977 and for the second year \$7,527,709. This is an increase of \$2,897,342 over the amount appropriated by the legislature for the state government for the past two fiscal years. The increase is due largely to appropriations requested for new buildings for educational and eleemosynary institutions. 88 ft c.

## CONTRACT AWARDED FOR THE TEXAS BUILDING

By Associated Press. Austin, Texas, Dec. 26.—Advices received today by J. T. Bowman, secretary of the Texas Panama-Pacific Exposition commission, say that the contract for construction of a Texas building has been awarded and work begun. The building, in mission style is to cost about \$20,000. 88 ft c.

## FURNITURE GIVEN TO GOVERNOR AND WIFE

By Associated Press. Austin, Texas, Dec. 26.—Governor and Mrs. Colquitt were presented with a Christmas gift of a suite of furniture by state officials and other attaches of the state government. 88 ft c.

## MANY ENGLISH SOLDIERS ALLOWED TO VISIT HOMES

Are Given Short Leave and Have Time To Make Trip To Aldershot

By Associated Press. Aldershot, England, Dec. 25.—As the result of recent orders given by Sir John French, the families of regular troops stationed here have been delightfully surprised by visits from relatives direct from the front. These men are given leave from the trenches and most of them elect to spend the time with their families. 95 ft c.

Wives of sergeant majors, who despaired of seeing their husbands before the end of the war, have been surprised by the receipt of telegrams from reports informing them of the home coming. These husbands arrive looking as sprick and span as when they marched away to the war for the men are selected from the regiments which have been moved to the rear battle line to give the soldiers a chance to clean up and receive fresh uniforms. It is expected that later whole units will be given holidays and the soldier in the trenches, according to one officer just returned from the front, has no rosier anticipation than the prospect of an afternoon at a football game followed by the evening at a music hall. 88 ft c.

## NOVEMBER LUCKY MONTH IN HISTORY OF RUSSIA

By Associated Press. Petrograd, Russia, Dec. 26.—One of the Russian Rifle Brigades—the fourth—has taken in this war thus far more prisoners than the brigade numbered in men at the beginning of the fighting. How many killed and wounded should be added to the complete record of this brigade cannot be stated. Public feeling in Petrograd is jubilant. The month of November is regarded by superstitious Russians as the national "lucky month" and news of victory from the armies were expected as a matter of course. Among notable November successes of past years were the Battle of Borodina in 1812, the naval fight at Sinope in 1853 and the taking of Kars and Plevna in 1877. 88 ft c.

## LEARNED WAR WAS ON ONLY YESTERDAY

By Associated Press. New York, Dec. 26.—A vessel docked today whose crew did not know there was a war until signaled outside the harbor by a British cruiser; she was a Norwegian barque, the Padana, and left Padang, Sumatra, August 12, with a cargo of coffee. The British cruiser was the first vessel she spoke to during the passage. 88 ft c.

For rent, one store building, Maer building, 212 Scott avenue. Be vacant December 1st, 1914. Price \$50 per month. See W. N. Maer, care Cravens, Maer & Walker. 86 ft c.

## Lodge Directory

Wichita Falls Camp No. 12006 M. W. of A. meets every Thursday at 8 p. m., 705 1-2 Seventh street. R. M. Baird, Consul; E. G. Cook, Clerk. Brotherhood of American Yeomen—Meets first and third Thursday nights of each month at old I. O. O. F. hall over Cream Bakery, 715 Indiana avenue at 8:00 p. m. L. C. Robertson, Wagon; C. S. Dunaway, Correspondent. Wichita Grove No. 1087 Woodmen Circle—Meets every Friday at 2:30 at new I. O. O. F. Hall. Mrs. McDowell, Guardian; Mrs. Somers, Clerk.

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Will Take Advantage of War To Try To Secure Some American Trade

Stockholm, Sweden, Dec. 26.—The Swedish contributions to the Panama-Pacific Exhibitions have grown considerably in size and importance since the beginning of the European war, largely because commercial firms in all parts of the country believe that that war offers them good opportunity to gain a distinct advantage over their European competitors for the American trade.

Sweden's exhibits will reach America in December on the big Danish motor ship Rhodéa. They represent every important branch of the country's commercial activity. Some of the larger exhibits are illustrative of Sweden's manufacture of telephones, gas lighting apparatus and ball bearings.

AUSTRIA SUBSCRIBING TO IMMENSE WAR LOAN

Every Effort is Being Made To Float Issue—Credit Badly Strained

Venice, Dec. 26.—Extraordinary efforts are being made to ensure the successful flotation of the new war loans in Austria-Hungary. All classes of people are urged to participate in them. In the first two days after the lists were opened nearly \$150,000,000 was subscribed.

The Emperor took from his private purse \$2,000,000, investing the sum equally in the Austrian and Hungarian loans. This is the first time that the monarch has ever contributed openly to such a state fund. The clergy was directed to preach from the pulpits that it was not only the duty of every patriotic citizen to subscribe but also that the loans offered a most remunerative and secure investment. As proof of their confidence in the security, high ecclesiastical dignitaries have subscribed many millions. One archdiocese alone subscribed nearly a million dollars.

Public bodies also came forward readily. The city of Vienna has invested five million dollars and all through Austria and Hungary the local authorities seem to have put up all their available liquid assets. The banks too have taken many millions.

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SHORTAGE OF OFFICERS IN SERBIAN ARMY REPORTED

Continual Strife of Recent Years Has Robbed Country of Its Trained Men

By Associated Press. Nish, Serbia, Dec. 25.—There is a shortage of officers in the Serbian army, due not only to the severe losses sustained in the earlier battles of the campaign, but also to the losses of the two Balkan wars. The gaps have proved a source of considerable embarrassment to the army chiefs, and a number of youthful cadets from the Military College have now been given commissions and sent to the front.

FORTUNE TELLERS BARRED BY GERMAN GOVERNMENT

Thriving Business Following Outbreak of War is Stopped By Authorities

Special to The Times. Lubeck, Germany, Dec. 25.—Fortune tellers now are forbidden to practice in any part of the German Empire. Soon after the war broke out, they began to do an enormous business with relatives of soldiers in the field, who wanted to know how things were going with them. Visits to the fortune tellers often had tragic consequences, as many of the callers were in a high state of nervous tension.

MANY THEATRES IN PARIS HAVE REOPENED RECENTLY

Many Gaps Are To Be Filled In Ranks of Performers and Musicians

Paris, Dec. 26.—Many theatres will soon be reopened, thanks to Minister of the Interior Malvy, who obtained from his colleagues permission to do so. He saw fit with the amusement places. The lower lights also will soon be burning on the boulevards.

MANY BULLETS REQUIRED TO KILL ONE OPPONENT

Believed 25 German Shells Are Used To Bring Down One Hostile Soldier

By Associated Press. London, Dec. 25.—One of the things frequently noted by soldiers at the front in writing to relatives and friends is the extraordinary expenditure of bullets, required to kill a man. A German report states that many German soldiers fired 4,000 cartridges apiece during the first month of the war. An English observer estimated that 25 German shells are wasted for every man killed by them.

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QUIET VERSAILLES NOW BUSTLING MILITARY TOWN

Has Become Headquarters For Army Military Depot and Aviation Center

Versailles, France, Dec. 25.—War has transformed this ordinarily quiet historic city into a bustling military town. Headquarters of the Germans during the siege of Paris, it is today the quarters of some of the troops of the military government of the capital and it is also the depot for army stores and is an aviation center. Near by is the St. Cyr Military Academy, which is similar to the American West Point.

The tourist at Versailles now is a rarity. Formerly he helped constitute the bulk of the floating population. He has been supplanted by the soldier's wife or sweetheart making a farewell visit. The park of the palace alone remains open and this is their favorite promenade. The museum and everything else of historical interest is closed up.

Squadrons of recruits are drilled daily in the public streets. The commands of their officers sometimes are unheard in the rattle of heavy munition wagons that pass so frequently. Other soldiers may be seen leading or riding hundreds of horses just arrived and destined for the cavalry.

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# GREAT WHITE WAY OF PARIS NOW DARK

MONTMARTRE IS BUT A GHOSTLY SHADOW OF ITS FORMER GLORY

## AMUSEMENT RESORTS CLOSED

Even Bars Are More or Less Deserted Since Sale of Absinthe Is Barred

By Associated Press.

Paris, Dec. 26.—Montmartre has been put to sleep by martial law. The "Butte" from Batignolles to Belleville, is plunged in gloom and to the wakened spirits that still haunt the streets and boulevards it seems as if the light of the world had gone out. Picketers from thousands of bars front until a o'clock strikes seem to make a timid effort to revolt, then go out as if it were no use. The contest with Cellier is too unequal. Popular restaurants of the more serious minded order hold out longer, but the lights go out at half past nine. Then Montmartre fades into nothing. The "Moulin Rouge" seems to have gone blind; the enormous wings of its windmill that for so many years have unceasingly revolved in a ruddy glow of electric temptation are motionless. The "Moulin de la Galette" possessed now by women of the upper crust, grinds out a daily grist of soldiers' socks, but as soon as the evening shadows fall it stands like a ghost of past glories looking over the anaesthetized joy that lies at its feet.

**Cabarets Are Dark.**  
The cabarets are closely hidden behind iron shutters as if to spare the passerby the pain of regretful memories. "Hell" seems to have decided that it cannot compete with war. The gates of "Heaven" are shut until the end of it all makes it worth while opening and "Nean" quite invisible in the dark shadow of the boulevard, can only typify what Montmartre has become.

**"American Bars" Closed.**  
Not far from the great central thoroughfares the "American bars" are almost deserted and many have closed their doors until the recurrence of better times. One well known former American jockey has given up his bar for the present and is serving the Red Cross with his automobile.

The billiard and pool rooms are for the most part dark and unoccupied. Some which continue to keep open devote part of their receipts to the various relief funds.

The amusements most missed are the theatres and variety halls. For three months after the mobilization of the army the only houses where any performance was given were the "movies." This, however, is to undergo a change for various reasons.

tions of actors and public performers have succeeded in bringing the great distress among their members to the notice of the premier, who has consented the reopening of the play-houses.

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## LARGE INCREASE OF OATS PROMISED IN THIS REGION

Recent Rains Have Provided Excellent Season and Planting Will Be Heavy

A big acreage of oats will be sown in this section in the coming spring. The recent rains have made an excellent season for spring oats and the prospects for a good demand for all small grains and feed crops will influence any farmers to sow oats. Many farmers are getting ready to plow their ground for oats and other crops, as soon as it gets dry enough to work.

One danger to the oats crop are the early spring freezes. Farmers figure, however, that if the oats are killed by the freezes, there will then be plenty of time to put the ground in corn, cotton or some other crop.

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# Many Novelties Are Noted In New Styles For Midwinter Wear

New York, Dec. 26.—The one piece frocks which are so smart this year are to be seen in various styles. The dress of serge is serviceable and stylish, and one that I saw not long ago was made simply and in a good style that I shall describe it. The waist was very plain, close fitting, but not tight and buttoned from the top of the high collar to the waistline with round bone buttons concealed in the center, with four visible holes with which to sew it to the dress. The sleeves were set into a small armhole and were long and close fitting, the same kind of buttons only smaller being used on the sleeves for elbow to wrist. The skirt was close fitting at the hips and flaring at the lower edge and buttoned straight down the center front. Around the waist was worn a sash of the same colored "satin," which would



material for those who prefer a lighter weight in cloth. Fine Ottoman cords are quite a smart novelty in woolen fabrics and narrow faille weaves, the same as in the silk, and are very new and distinctive. A number of stamine cloths are shown. The weaves of these is closer and finer than that which we have had in past years and it will doubtless be a big success. For dressy frocks there is satin galore—some of it with wonderful high luster and some with a dull crepe effect. Faille in both wide and narrow cords will be much worn for street costumes. There is a beautiful silk known as "pout de note;" it is the same weave as faille, but is crisp to the touch, like taffeta silk. In diagonal weave these are very smart when combined with satin. Moire with a marking that is scarcely visible is also shown. Taffetas as soft as chiffon are used for three piece costumes.

Trimming for the suits will depend, of course, upon the individual who wears it. There are hat silk Heracles braids in all widths and applied in almost every way. A smart finish for a suit is a binding of medium width braid particularly one of the plainer type. For a dressy costume, black soutache braid in fancy design with hand embroidery in heavy black floss is most effective. Buttons are stunning and are used in great profusion. Pockets play an important role this season and are to be found on all costumes from tailor made to evening gowns. Silk costumes are



trimmed mostly with contrasting materials and wonderfully smart combinations are seen. There are only touches of hand work and a few exquisitely soft sashes. Buttons of every conceivable style and most unusual designs are worn. For evening and dance frocks the materials are exquisite and simply beggar description. The thinnest and softest of chiffon is trimmed with tulle and fine crystal beads and there are whole frocks of fine silk net in the most beautiful shades. Liberty satin is greatly used and fine faille in delicate colors is soft and easily draped. Frosty looking taffetas that are crisp, but very soft, are beautiful when combined with the flat laces that are outlined with delicate silver threads. Satins in two tones are smart and are very new. Bands of paillette are used on net and fringes of crystals and silver beads are very new. Boddices of silver or metal thread materials are made with skirts of deep lace flouncing and any other desirable material can be substituted. Chiffons in novelty designs with huge flowers strewn over the surface are worn as a scarf, the colors harmonizing with that of the gown. Tulle in soft colors makes an exquisite finish in a scarf for evening wear.

# ISLAND, CLOSE TO ENGLAND LEASED BY GERMAN CONCERN

Contract Promptly Terminated When Discovery Is Made and Arouses Considerable Stir

By Associated Press. London, December 25.—One of the strangest stories that has been given birth by the great war is that of the island of Horn, the leasing of which to a German company was recently discussed in the House of Commons. The lease has been terminated, and British troops are billeted on the island, but the question is still being asked, why was England so lax as to rent for a long an island larger than Heligoland, within an hour's steaming of England shores?

Horn is one of the lesser channel islands and at one time supported a considerable population. It is a beautiful spot, with an attractive shell beach. In 1859 it was leased by the Crown for \$70 a year to the "West Bank Liegmitz Ltd.," which in turn leased it to Prince Blucher von Wahlstat, a descendant of the illustrious Blucher of Waterloo and himself a German. The Prince and his family lived quietly for years in the manor house on the island, incurring the great displeasure of those who sought to ramble over the place by closing all save one narrow pathway on the beach and plastering about many warnings to trespassers.

Children were born to the Princess there—she is of the Russian royal family—and one of these, a boy, became a naturalized British subject. At no time was the Prince suspected of using his home in any operations against England; but when the war broke out the matter became one of natural agitation culminating in the Home Secretary being asked for an explanation by Sir William Bull.

The explanation was brief. The Government knew the name of the German company, holding the lease, it knew moreover that the rent was about five shilling six pence a week; that steps had been taken to cancel this document, that for some weeks British troops had been on the island. Whether Prince Blucher and family had moved from the Manor House was not made clear.

The popular outcry against the Prince, in the opinion of the London press generally, is unjustified; but the Times remarks rather sarcastically

that the public might be told a little more about the German company which was able to acquire so cheaply so much good farm and pasture land, together with numerous cottages, not to mention the Manor House. It also pointed out that the island is in the heart of the English Channel, within sight of the coast of France, about 70 miles from Portland and 40 from Cherbourg. It could be used as a submarine base, though nothing of the kind appears to have been attempted.

# GERMAN NAMES IN PARIS ARE RAPIDLY DISCARDED

Streets, Parks, Etc., With Names of Teutonic Origin Are Being Given New Ones

By Associated Press. Paris, December 25.—The Paris municipal council has decided that the name "Albert" shall be given to an avenue or public square in Paris in honor of the King of Belgium.

The rue de Berlin has already been changed to the rue de Liège and it is proposed to give a Belgian or English name to the Avenue de l'Opera, which before 1870 was the Avenue Napoleon. The former Avenue d'Allemagne is now the Avenue de Jean Jaures. The city of Rouen has changed the name of the Boulevard Cancholet-Boulevard des Belges. The Place de la Gare in Orleans has been changed to Place Albert I and the two bridges over the Loire have been renamed George V and Nicholas II.

This is only the beginning of the radical changes of nomenclature that will in all towns of France mark the war. The transformation is not confined to names of streets, squares and places. All German and Austrian names of products have already disappeared. Eau de Cologne is to be called Eau de Lorraine or Eau de Provence. Viennese bread is now called Pain Liegeois.

In the phonograph parlors all names of German pieces have been marked off the programs.

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