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WEATHER FORECAST  
Tonight fair; Thursday increasing cloudiness.

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## SOUTHERN PACIFIC TRAIN ROBBED TODAY

TWO MEN TAKE VALUABLES FROM PASSENGERS ON SLEEPER

### MAKE GETAWAY IN DARKNESS

Board Train and With Pistols Force Porter To Awaken Passengers in Berths

By Associated Press.  
San Antonio, Texas, Dec. 30.—Two masked men boarded the westbound Southern Pacific express on the Galveston, Houston & San Antonio near Cline at 2:30 o'clock this morning and at the point of a revolver robbed all of the passengers in the two rear sleepers. The train was then near Spofford and the robbers gave an air cord signal for the train to stop, after which they dropped off and made their escape.

The two men swung aboard the rear sleeper as the train was leaving Cline and aroused the porter. With drawn pistols they forced him to awaken the passengers and as fast as the latter left their berths they were relieved of their valuables. Just how much the robbers took is not known, but it is believed the sum will be considerable as many of the passengers carried large sums of money besides jewelry. The men had gone through the two rear sleepers as the train neared Spofford and it was then they gave the signal to stop and left the train.

The posse was quickly organized and started in pursuit and it is believed the robbers will be captured as the roughness of the country makes their escape difficult. One of the men is described as short and stout with a slant nose while the other was tall and rather thin. Both wore masks.

### Railroad Officials Lose

The robbers did not have time to work the three other Pullman cars entering only the San Antonio sleeper and what is known as the New Orleans-San Francisco car. They did not molest passengers in the coaches nor did they attempt to enter the express, baggage or mail cars. There were nineteen passengers aboard the San Antonio sleeper which was the first entered. Among the passengers were R. C. Watkins, superintendent of this division of the G. H. & S. A. and F. H. Bednarck, chief dispatcher for the division. With the others, they were ordered to throw up their hands. R. C. Watkins took \$25 in cash and his watch while Mr. Bednarck was relieved of his revolver, wallet and other valuables.

In one sleeper the drawing room was taken by a wealthy Mexican who was said to have had more than \$10,000 in jewelry and money on his person. While definite information has not been received by assumption it is that he was robbed with the others.

### DALLAS JEWS GIVE \$5,000 TO EUROPEAN SUFFERERS

Special to The Times.  
Dallas, Texas, Dec. 30.—A relief fund of \$5,000 for the war sufferers in Europe has been pledged by the Jews of this city. The amount was promised following a meeting here at which addresses were delivered by H. J. Dannenbaum of Houston and Mme. Bela Plevanar.

### FORT WORTH NEGRO TO BE GIVEN TRIAL JANUARY 11

Special to The Times.  
Fort Worth, Texas, Dec. 30.—Cliff Williams, the young negro charged with the murder of Ovar Scoggin, a white messenger boy, has been set for January 11 and a special venire of 100 men has been drawn for the case. The negro is now in jail at Dallas.

### PRESIDENT INVITED TO INCLUDE DALLAS IN TOUR

Special to The Times.  
Dallas, Texas, Dec. 30.—An invitation to President Wilson to include Dallas in the trans-continental tour which it is understood he will make next year, has gone forward, signed by a large number of Dallasites. It is believed that such a visit would more than offset what criticism of the president there has been in certain parts of this State.

## GUN DEAFNESS IS CAUSING SOLDIERS MUCH TROUBLE

Ear Splitting Reports of Big Guns Slowly Destroy Auditory Nerves of Men

By Associated Press.  
London, Dec. 18.—(By mail) The announcement that the British government is to appoint an interagency committee to consider measures for the prevention of gun deafness among soldiers and sailors calls attention to an added terror of war.

"The money may not derive you of life and limb," writes a medical correspondent, "but it is only certain your own artillery will slowly but surely make you deaf. Several officers recently returned on furloughs from the French front were found to have suffered more than 50 per cent impairment in hearing owing to the incessant ear-splitting reports of their own guns."

## AUSTRIANS ADMIT RETREAT IN GALICIA

NEW RUSSIAN TROOPS CAUSE WITHDRAWAL ON EAST FRONT

### SITUATION NORTH UNCHANGED

Official Report Tells of Unsuccessful Activity on Part of Montenegrin Troops

By Associated Press.  
Vienna, Dec. 30.—(By mail) An official communication given out by staff headquarters admits a retreat by the Austrians in Galicia. The statement follows:

"The old Russian army which about a week ago commenced an offensive against those of our forces which had crossed the Carpathians has been reinforced with supplementary troops and fresh divisions in such a manner that it is necessary for us to withdraw our troops along the entire eastern front in the plains of Galicia (just north of the Carpathians and to the east of Nowy Sadek). The situation to the north has not been influenced thereby.

"In the Balkan theatre the Montenegrins showed great but unsuccessful activity. A weak attack on Trebinje in Herzegovina near the border was repulsed easily. The Montenegrin artillery had no effect on the strong fortress of Krievostie."

## MINOR GAINS CLAIMED IN FRENCH STATEMENT

German Viciously Bombard St. Georges—Some Progress in Vicinity of Neufort

By Associated Press.  
Paris, Dec. 30.—The official announcement on the progress of the war given out by the French war department reads as follows:

"In Belgium we have won a little territory in the region of Neufort, opposite Polders and to the north of Lombardye. The enemy subjected St. Georges to a violent bombardment. This is the position we are putting in a state of defense. We have captured a German point of support located to the south of Bonnebeck on the road between Bekeleers and Tschendaele. From the Lys to the Oise there is nothing to report.

"In the Valley of the Aisne and in Champagne the enemy has manifested another burst of activity which has taken the form particularly of a violent artillery fire to which our heavy artillery replied effectively. In the Argonne we have made slight progress in the region of Fontenoy.

"Between the Argonne and the Vosges there has been cannonading all along the front, but particularly severe along the heights of the deuse. In the Vosges the enemy delivered an attack against our position at La-Petite-Paix; this was repulsed.

"In upper Alsace we are consolidating our positions. Our heavy artillery forced to silence the German howitzers which were bombarding upper Astrict."

## VICTORY IN CAUCASUS IS NOW CLAIMED BY TURKS

Russian Army is Being Pursued—Tell of England's Failure To Land Troops

By Associated Press.  
Berlin, Dec. 30.—Among the items issued by the official news bureau today are the following:

"Constantinople reports another Turkish success on the River Kura in the Caucasus. The Turks took many prisoners, several guns and other war material. Turkish headquarters reports that the pursuit of the Russian army in the Caucasus is progressing. It also reports that the British renewed their attempt to land troops at Akabah, Arabia, but failed. Some reports that the Japanese ambassador there has stated that the rumors of an intended intervention by Japan in the European war there are unfounded."

## PRIZES FOR COMPETITION ON INDUSTRIAL ALCOHOL

Russian Government is Trying To Encourage Discovery of New Methods For Use

By Associated Press.  
Petrograd, Dec. 23.—(By mail) The Russian government announces that it has set aside a fund for international competition for discovery of new technical methods of utilizing industrial alcohol. Prizes amounting to over \$50,000 will be awarded.

## START CAMPAIGN FOR MORE MEMBERS

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE CANVASS TO BEGIN TOMORROW

### ANNUAL MEETING DATE FIXED

Will Be Held Next Wednesday—Directors Discuss Plans For Coming Year's Work

From Wednesday's Daily.  
A meeting of the members of the Chamber of Commerce will be held next Wednesday night, probably at the Elks Club at which directors for the ensuing year will be elected and plans for the coming year's work outlined.

The time for the meeting was set at a session of the directors of the organization this morning to which a number of citizens had been invited for discussing a membership campaign. At this meeting a committee was appointed to make a thorough canvass of the city for members. The committee will start out promptly at ten o'clock tomorrow morning and it is expected that they will see every man in Wichita Falls who ought to be a member of the organization. The city has been divided into districts for the canvass and special committees assigned to each district. This plan was adopted upon the suggestion of the general membership committee.

Plans Are Discussed.  
Within the next ten days it is planned to publish the names of the members of the Chamber of Commerce and, if the chairman of the committee deems it advisable, the names will be published on successive days for a week.

Besides the directors about forty citizens attended this morning's meeting and the entire Chamber of Commerce was frankly discussed.

President R. E. Huff said, that speaking for himself, he believed that the younger men of the city should have more representation on the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce. He said he believed that at least one-third of the directors should be young men.

C. W. Bean who was called upon to express his views said that a good many people wanted to know what the Chamber of Commerce was going to do to do before they contributed. He said he believed it ought to employ an experienced secretary who can go after things and get them. The chief work of the Chamber of Commerce, he said, ought to be the securing of new industries. He believed also that when people were asked to subscribe money for getting a new industry there ought to be some assurance given that it would remain in operation; that there ought to be some security given for this. He also said that a certain part of the income of the Chamber of Commerce ought to be set aside for publicity only.

To Consider Year's Work.  
T. B. Noble suggested that a budget system ought to be adopted.

On a motion by J. C. Ward the chair was authorized to appoint a committee to make a report on some plan of organization to be submitted at the general meeting Wednesday night.

A. L. Huey, chairman of the general membership committee announced that all members of the committee would be expected to meet at the Chamber of Commerce rooms at 9:30 tomorrow morning for the canvass to begin at 10 o'clock. The names of the members follow:

Manufacturing plants—C. W. Bean, J. A. Kemp, Frank Kell, Wiley Blair, T. B. Smock.

Out of town property owners—G. D. Anderson, J. C. Mytinger, J. L. Jackson.

Kemp & Kell building—W. N. Maer, Mack Thomas, W. J. Grisham.

Sixth to Seventh streets, Indiana to Scott—J. S. Bridwell, E. P. Watts.

Sixth to Seventh streets, to cross tracks—B. J. Bean, J. W. Pond, F. M. Gates.

Seventh to Eighth, Indiana to Scott—T. B. Noble, E. Leopold, M. D. Walker, Marvin Smith.

Seventh to Eighth, Indiana to across tracks—H. B. Hines, J. L. Art, Harry Thornberry, T. J. Taylor.

Eighth to Ninth, Indiana to Scott—M. J. Gardner, H. Hardeman, C. J. Barnard.

Ninth to Tenth, Ohio to Indiana—P. H. Pennington, A. L. Huey, C. E. Bessey.

Eighth to Ninth, Ohio to tracks—J. F. Riggs, J. T. Gant, M. A. Brin.

Ninth to Tenth, Ohio to Scott—Myles O'Reilly, Otis T. Bacon.

Ninth to Eleventh, Ohio to across tracks—W. M. Priddy, W. M. Hall, Geo. D. Keith.

Oil companies, oil men and supply houses—J. L. McFarbon, C. E. Menzie, F. Callahan, C. M. Clifford, M. A. Bundy, A. B. Maples.

Special committee—J. T. Young, M. R. Talley, J. C. Ward.

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## COTTON GINNING REPORT IS MADE PUBLIC TODAY

Figures Up to December 13 in Wichita and Archer Counties Announced

O. P. Maricle, special agent for the U. S. department of agriculture's crop reporting bureau has made public the ginning reports for Wichita and Archer counties prior to December 13th. The report shows 15,161 bales ginned in Wichita county in comparison with 5,716 bales on the corresponding date in 1913. In Archer county the report shows 8,094 bales compared with 4,015 bales a year ago.

The unfavorable weather in December has greatly decreased ginning and has cut the total of the crop short. The low price of cotton also will likely prevent the ginning of a great amount of boll cotton.

## ELECTRA GIRL IS BRIDE OF WELL KNOWN EDITOR

Sam A. Roberts, formerly editor of the Burkburnett Star and at present proprietor of the Petrolia Enterprise, and Miss Zelma Grubbs of Elara were united in marriage at the Baptist parsonage at noon today by Rev. R. C. Miller, County Judge Harvey Harris, a former fellow townsman of Mr. Roberts at Burkburnett, was a witness to the ceremony. Mr. Roberts had been spending several days at Electra coming in from that place last night. Miss Grubbs came in from Electra yesterday for a visit with friends here. The couple last night decided to get married today. While the marriage is not unexpected to the friends of the couple it came today as a surprise.

## RECORDED INSTRUMENTS MUST HAVE REVENUE STAMP

All instruments acknowledged before a notary public or filed in the county clerk's office must bear a ten cent internal revenue stamp before they will be recorded, according to an announcement by County Clerk M. P. Kelly today. There has been some question raised as to whether these instruments bearing an acknowledgment must be stamped or not. Mr. Kelly has looked up the law in the matter and has ruled that his office cannot accept such instruments unless they bear the revenue stamp.

## PERRITT, EX-PANTHER, ACCIDENTALLY KILLS MAN

Special to The Times.  
Fort Worth, Texas, Dec. 30.—News has been received here that Floyd Perritt, otherwise known as "Red", a pitcher on the Fort Worth team and now with the Los Angeles club, had shot and killed Herbert Lathrop, a well known resident of Northhoff, Cal. Perritt, who was out hunting in the hills saw a figure in the dim light and mistook it for a wild animal; he fired the ball taking fatal effect. Lathrop died a few hours later. Perritt is said to be prostrated.

## LITTLE MARY PICKFORD INVOLVED IN COURT CASE

Special to The Times.  
Dallas, Texas, Dec. 30.—The right to show the film "Cinderella" in which Mary Pickford is starring is involved in a suit pending in the district court between two local moving picture houses. One of the theaters seeks to restrain the other from showing the film out of the city.

## CARGO OF 7,000 BALES OF COTTON FOR GERMEN

By Associated Press.  
Galveston, Texas, Dec. 30.—The Moroccan liner El Mar will sail today with a cargo of approximately 7,000 bales of cotton for Bremen. She is expected to go by way of New York.

## ENGLISH COAST TOWNS ARE VERY PANICKY SINCE RAID

Roads To Hartlepool Are Guarded—Some Details About German Attack Are Learned

### BRITISH CABINET OFFICIALS CONSIDER PROTEST TO DAY

Want This Country To Adopt More Stringent Rules With Regard To Contraband

By Associated Press.  
West Hartlepool, Eng., Dec. 18.—(By mail) English coast towns are panic-stricken since the German raid. Travel by automobile at night is hazardous as excited guards stop motor cars frequently with a flourish of guns and revolvers.

The patrol ships Patrol and Doon which guard Hartlepool were lying in the harbor the morning of the German raid but are said by civilians to have had no steam. It is also charged they were partly dismantled and they had to be towed out from the docks before they could get into action. At any rate they were so slow that the Germans had an opportunity to shell Hartlepool before the naval craft afforded effective opposition.

Officers of the two patrol ships held a banquet at the leading hotel in West Hartlepool the night before the raid. Before the raid all telegraphic and telephonic communication with the harbor is said to have been out suddenly, the supposed work of some spy. The military has taken over all wires and communication with the coast towns is very difficult.

### NEW DIRECTORY IS NOW BEING DISTRIBUTED HERE

A. Y. Zadik, representing the John F. Worley Printing Co., is in the city for the purpose of distributing the new 1915 directory of Wichita Falls which has just been completed and those who have not given their orders for copies can call at the Chamber of Commerce and secure one. The price is \$5.00 and it is well worth it. The new directory gives Wichita Falls a population of over 18,000 people.

### Market Reports

New York Cotton.  
By Associated Press.  
New York, Dec. 30.—Cotton's reactionary tendency was in evidence again today after opening at a decline of one to eight points active months ruled about five or six points under yesterday's closing figures. The market continued quiet during the middle of the afternoon but prices eased off again under renewed realizing with the active months selling several points net lower. Cotton closed steady. Jan. 7.65; March 7.78; May 7.90; July 8.10; October 8.38.

### New Orleans Cotton.

New Orleans, Dec. 30.—Cotton spot steady. Sales on spot 1375; To arrive 800. Middling 7-16.

### Kansas City Grain.

Kansas City, Dec. 30.—Cash wheat No. 2 hard 1.20 to 1.20 1/2; No. 2 red 1.21 to 1.22. Corn No. 2 mixed 67 3/4 to 68. Oats No. 2 white 45 to 47.

### Fort Worth Livestock.

Fort Worth, Texas, Dec. 30.—Cattle receipts 2100, strong. Beeves \$6.25 to \$7.30. Hog receipts 1500 about five cents lower; bulk \$7.10 to \$7.20. Lambs \$7 to \$7.50.

### Chicago Futures.

Chicago, Dec. 30.—Wheat traders seemingly were disposed to mark time today attention being chiefly given to the steadiness of prices at Liverpool. Business in corn was almost entirely local. The opening varied from 1-4 decline to a shade advance. Prospects of export sales upheld oats demand. Wheat closed weak. Corn closed depressed. Closing: Wheat Dec. 1.21 1/2; May 1.24 1/2; July 1.18 3/4. Corn, Dec. 66 1/2; May 72 1/2; July 74 1/2. Oats, Dec. 48 5/8; May 53 1/2.

## AMERICAN NOTE IS UNDER DISCUSSION

BRITISH CABINET OFFICIALS CONSIDER PROTEST TO DAY

### POSSIBLE REPLIES OUTLINED

Want This Country To Adopt More Stringent Rules With Regard To Contraband

By Associated Press.  
London, Dec. 30.—The American note sent by the United States to Great Britain protesting against the action of British warships in detaining and seizing cargoes in American vessels is now under consideration at the British foreign office. No intimation is given as to when a reply may be expected.

During the afternoon Sir Edward Grey, the British foreign secretary held a conference with David Lloyd George, chancellor of the exchequer, Reginald McKenna, secretary of home affairs, Walter Runciman, president of the board of trade and Sir Francis Hopwood, civil lord of the admiralty. The subject of the American note was a frank discussion of the note by British officials showed they regard it as friendly and do not believe the differences between America and Great Britain are such that they cannot be reconciled satisfactorily. Much depends upon the effort on the part of Denmark, Holland, Norway and Sweden to prevent the reshipment to Germany and Austria-Hungary of cargoes received from the United States.

Until water tight regulations are put in force in these countries, it is hoped, it is understood, is held out by the British government for relaxation in the matter of searching American cargoes.

Solutions Are Suggested.  
One prominent British official pointed out that Italy effectively had checked contraband shipments to Austria-Hungary and Germany, with the result that Great Britain is not stopping ships destined for Italy unless there appears special reason to suspect fraudulent consignments. A guarantee by the United States as to the honesty of bills of lading and the enactment of strict regulations for the severe punishment of fraud, granting that the American government would find satisfactory means of making such a guarantee, is admitted by this prominent official as a possible step which might bring relaxation in the search of American cargoes.

British officials call attention to the lenient attitude adopted by the United States government toward American cotton which they said might easily be regarded as contraband because of its extensive use in gun cotton but which has not been put on the contraband list. They say this leniency toward cotton, however, has been abused by shippers who used it to conceal copper, another contraband of war.

## AUSTRIANS AND GERMANS ARE CHECKED BY RUSSIANS

Offensive Movement Of Allies In Western Arena Has Slackened Pace Noticeably

### By Associated Press.

London, Dec. 30.—The soldiers of Emperor Nicholas still hold the main German armies in check and continue to press their advantage, according to dispatches reaching London. At the same time, they are harrassing the Austrians who have been flung back over the Carpathian Mountains.

In the western arena of the war the allies continue to claim slow progress, but the offensive started about the middle of December has slackened noticeably, a fact which Berlin, accepting the order issued by General Joffre on December 17, as bona fide, declares means the failure of the attempted allied advance. Even some of the English newspapers call attention to the marked decrease in the vigor of the French, Belgian and British thrusts at the German line. They add the reason for this soon will be disclosed.

The Bzura River west of Warsaw has become the Yser of the East. On its banks the Germans have been sacrificing thousands of men as they did in Belgium on the Yser. The crossing which they forced at great cost has been nullified, according to dispatches from Petrograd, the Russians having driven the invaders back to the west bank of the river.

## ASKS FOR INFORMATION ABOUT INSURANCE LOANS

W. D. Lewis Comments Upon Proposed Amendments To Robertson Law

Special to The Times.  
Fort Worth, Texas, Dec. 30.—W. D. Lewis, president of the Farmers' Union of Texas, today gave out the following statement:

"I understand that the next legislation will be called, upon to amend the Robertson law so that the foreign life insurance companies may be permitted to lend money in Texas without suffering the pains and penalties of that law.

"The Farmers' Union favors the free and unlimited lending of money and every farmer who ever rode a bale of cotton to market knows that the volume of a product offered has largely to do with controlling the price, but if not asking too much, we would like for the foreign life insurance companies that are knocking at our door to take the stand and say whether or not they will lend money on farm property; what amount is available and at what rate of interest? Perhaps the latter is a hypothetical question, but they can at least give the present rate of interest they are asking on farm loans.

"While the subject of life insurance loans is up for discussion, I would like to ask the home life insurance companies what per cent of their loans is on farm property and what rate of interest the farmer pays for the use of it? Let those who seek to reply to the inquiry observe that I have asked what the farmer pays—not what the insurance company gets for the money. All this talk about six per cent money sounds like a fairy tale. By the time the money is loaned to the banker, to lend to the broker, to lend to the real estate agent, to lend to the farmer, the transaction looks like 'the house that Jack built' and does the farmer about as much good. We have all the 10 and 15 per cent money in Texas we need.

"We ask only for information. But when the Robertson law is up before the legislature for discussion, the Farmers' Union will be heard from and will see to it that the farmers' interests are protected."

## PLAN SUFFRAGE CAMPAIGN THROUGHOUT NORTH TEXAS

Special to The Times.  
Dallas, Texas, Dec. 30.—Organization of suffrage associations in the smaller cities and towns of North Texas is planned by members of the Dallas Equal Suffrage Association who expect to send out emissaries into places where the suffrage sentiment is not organized and form the vote seeking clubs and societies. It is said that the organization in Central and South Texas are much better organized than those in this section.

## HOUSTON HOTEL MAID SEEKS DEATH IN BAYOU

Special to The Times.  
Houston, Texas, Dec. 30.—Feminine and friendless and tired of life, a young woman employed as chambermaid at a local hotel walked out on the pipe line across the bayou and jumped off into the sluggish stream. She was promptly rescued and resuscitated. She said she tried to kill herself because she was tired of living.

## SEVEN CAPITAL CASES DISMISSED AT HOUSTON

Special to The Times.  
Houston, Texas, Dec. 30.—One of the first acts of John H. Crooker, new district attorney was to have the dismissal of seven capital cases in the district court. Six were murder charges and one robbery with firearms. Crooker said that it would be impossible to secure a conviction in any of the cases.

## \$25,000 FIRE IS CHARGED TO YOUNG MAN AT CUERO

Special to The Times.  
Cuero, Texas, Dec. 30.—A young woman, a shooting star, a Ford car and other things are expected to figure in the trial of Arthur Monsour, a young man arrested on a complaint in connection with the fire which caused \$25,000 fire damage to the Monsour & Monsour Grocery Company here. A love affair was at the bottom of the affair. It is said, and some interesting testimony is expected to be adduced.

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NEW YEAR'S VOWS  
SERMON SUBJECT

WARNING ISSUED AGAINST MAKING OF RASH RESOLUTIONS

FALSE INTEGRITY DEPLORED

Rev. C. C. Smith Draws Lesson From This Text at First M. E. Church Sunday

From Monday's Daily. A warning against making New Year's resolutions that one cannot keep was uttered Sunday evening by Rev. C. C. Smith, pastor of the First M. E. Church, in a sermon on "Foolish Vows and False Integrity." He said it was foolish to stand firm by vows that were made in idleness. His text was: "For the sake of his oath he commanded it to be given." Matt. 11:9 He said in part: "We are approaching the season of popular vows. Before now, when the resolutions have passed we shall have come to the beginning of a New Year, and perhaps many of us shall have sworn off from something or other and vowed to undertake something new while that we have felt called upon to do. Doubtless some of us will be led into making foolish vows and then out of a false sense of integrity feel compelled to keep them. I would like to say something guarding us against the making of foolish vows. Resolutions is good. We go no where unless we determine upon a goal and resolve to reach it. This is what resolutions mean. Resolutions go hand in hand. We value our integrity. We are properly proud of the fact that we are honest. But a question of distinction is raised often and we must decide whether we are to be honest with self and seemingly dishonest with others or whether we will follow a popular notion of honesty with others and be false to self. A vow should be a very sacred thing. If it in any way involves our integrity we must think of that before we make our vow. Hence there is no room for foolish vows. This is too big a part of our sacred duty to trifling with ourselves. Our vows should include only worthy things. If we are aware of bad habits possessing us it is worth of us to solemnly vow to be rid of them and then our better selves demands that in honesty to self we keep our vows. If on the other hand we realize that we are neglecting some very essential part of our nature it is worthy of us to vow that from henceforth we will give heed to that legitimate demand of our better selves and then our sense of integrity will command us to be true to that vow. This is the right way to live. This is the way to freedom and to healthiness by bickering with foolish and trivial vows is beneath manhood and not worthy of us.

AMERICAN KILLED BY CANADIAN TROOPS

ANOTHER IS SERIOUSLY WOUNDED NEAR FORT ERIE, ONTARIO

COMPLICATIONS ARE PROBABLE

Met Thought Likely, However, That Any Serious Trouble Will Follow Act

By Associated Press. Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 28.—One American, Walter Smith of Buffalo and another Charles Doran seriously wounded today by Canadian troops patrolling the border at Fort Erie, Ontario. The men were hunting ducks in Canadian waters. When ordered to land on the Canadian shore they headed for the American side. The shooting followed. The soldiers toward the hunters' boat to the Canadian side. Vice Consul U. B. Curtis of Fort Erie said: "Whatever complications will result is a debatable question. While two Americans were shot the information available indicates they were shopping ducks without a Canadian license and were in Canadian waters where they had no right to be, under the circumstances. No arrests have been made."

INCIDENTS RECALLS POLITICAL HISTORY

E. G. SENTER AND BASCOM THOMAS AS EX-STATE SENATORS, SHAKE HANDS

ENEMIES ALMOST SIX YEARS

Story of How Thomas Was Expelled From State Senate, But Came Back, Recalled

By Associated Press. Austin, Texas, Dec. 28.—Enemies for six bitter years, E. G. Senter and H. Bascom Thomas, both former members of the state senate, are now friends again. Their reconciliation was effected by W. M. Pierson, a mutual friend. They were brought together in a law office, shook hands and renewed their acquaintanceship. The enmity which existed for six years between these two men has its root in one of the most dramatic and interesting incidents in the political history of Texas. Both men were members of the state senate in the Dallas district. Thomas from Hopkins county. One day Thomas arose in the senate and speaking on a question of personal privilege, charged that there was an active lobby at Austin and that some of the senators were being enticed in its folds. He accused the lobby of using direct charges, but he used language that was, in a way, a reflection upon every senator present. His words aroused a storm of protest and he made a partial withdrawal. In the meantime news of his charges had gone out over the state and he received many messages urging him to "stay with 'em." Accordingly he renewed his charges, both on the floor and in statements to the press. The senate had a long investigation of the matter and the Travis county grand jury also is said to have probed the matter. The feeling against Thomas grew among the senators and a resolution reciting his failure to prove his charges and calling for his expulsion from the senate was introduced. On the same day that A. M. Kennedy, then speaker of the house, was called to order for making a speech, Thomas heard this resolution receive the twenty-one votes required to pass it. He took his hat and coat and walked out of the chamber. His comeback was prompt. A special election was at once called in his district and Thomas ran for reelection. He was opposed, but was returned by an overwhelming majority. However, upon his return to Austin he did not renew the charges he had made and the incident for the time being was over, although the feeling against him continued to be quite bitter.

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 descriptions of the great Russian oil port of Batum, which the Turks recently bombarded and of the Vistula River region, which has been the scene of the great eastern campaign between Russian and Austro-German forces. "Squatting on a marshy plain with a small oil refinery, a wonderful harbor and a strong naval fortress, Batum, recently bombarded by Turkish warships, is the great naphtha port of Russia, a sea outlet for the oil fields of Baku, and the foremost city upon the eastern shore of the Black Sea. It is a place of 40,000 inhabitants, alive with the busy of western business and filled with the color of eastern peoples. It has just three things to please the fancy; Alexander Park, on Lake Nure, at its eastern boundary; a cathedral completed in 1906, and a straight, palm fringed boulevard along the sea front. "Batium is about eight miles from the Turkish frontier in Asia Minor. Russia conquered it from Turkey and the Congress of Berlin, in 1878, confirmed the conquest. In awarding Batium to Russia, it was stipulated that the port should not be made into a naval base, but the city is now a strongly fortified station. In 1911 following the collapse of the ancient quay, extensive harbor works were undertaken, with the result that Batium has been made one of the safest, best equipped harbors on the Black Sea. "Both Ancient and Modern. "The city is very ancient in location and very recent in importance. It is mentioned under various names from early antiquity. The Russians have been the first to endeavor to launch it upon a career. Though with little success from a naval standpoint, it has a model modern city's ground plan, the streets being the shortest ways between two points and most of the city squares having sharp right angles. Modern conveniences, however, have been lost sight of in the city's stride for business. "The pipe line and a railway made Batium, and it brings to the port its principal export oil. The railway connects Batium with the main Transcaucasian line; through Tiflis and Baku. Besides petroleum and its by-products, the city ships liquid gas, manna, silk cocoons and wool. It imports tin and machinery. Greeks, the shrewd dealers in money and goods in the near east, have control of much of the business. "Subtropical vegetation sets off the city. A recognizable tea and citrus grove, banana groves in a nearby valley. Lemon and orange trees grow out of doors. While mild and warm, the weather is very erratic. The annual rainfall is high—ninety inches—and falls mostly in August and September. Sometimes sixteen inches fall in a few hours. Batium is in its second or possibly third childhood, with only an occasional well-announced boom, but with a commerce of around \$30,000,000 a year, and with the same alertness of air which business success has brought to favored western cities.

STATEWIDE SERVICE BY UNIQUE LIBRARY SYSTEM

Austin, Texas, Dec. 28.—The benefits of the State Library are for the people of the entire state, as the result of a unique arrangement whereby this institution has become of statewide, rather than merely local, service. The state library serves every individual in the State both directly and indirectly. The aim of the direct service is twofold. In the first place, the library wants to be to the people of the small towns and the rural community what the city library is to the city people. In the second place, it aids the special student interested in the manuscript sources of Texas history or in economic, social and legislative questions. The only conditions required of any man, woman or child who borrows any book, pamphlet or clipping is that he return the material in good condition in a reasonable length of time and pay transportation charges both ways. In case the desired information can be given by letter, there is no expense whatever. "The indirect service of the State Library to every individual in the State lies in its assistance in organizing libraries and in improving the smaller ones. This service at present is limited for financial reasons to the publishing of a library bulletin, Texas Libraries, and the distribution of library literature written by experts especially for the small library and to counsel upon definite problems submitted in regard to library administration. Any individual interested in the growth of public libraries over the State should ask the State Librarian to put his name on the mailing list of Texas Libraries.

AT THE BEGINNING OF PRESENT WAR WERE OVER 150 HOLDERS OF HONOR

AN INDIAN RECOGNITION

CROSSES GIVEN FOR ACT OF VALOR

By Associated Press. London, Dec. 28.—The grand ten Victoria crosses within the few weeks brings the total number to twenty-seven. The cross is the highest reward on to the British army for "some act of valor or devotion performed in the presence of the enemy." It is in the form of a metal cross of bronze, bearing in the center the royal crown, surmounted by a lion, and below on a scroll, the words "FOR VALOR." The ribbon is blue the navy and red for the army. A list of fifty dollars a year. On the side of surviving soldiers of the present war, contained about 150 names. The latest "V. C." awards are as follows: Private Sidney Godley, Royal Artillery; for coolness and gallantry fighting his machine gun under fire for two hours after his horse was wounded at Mons on August 23. Driver Job Drain, and Driver Eric Laker, Royal Field Artillery; for helping to save guns under fire in the Gallipoli campaign. Wounded; Lance Corporal Frederick Kings Own Light Infantry; Commanded of two companies that remained in trenches at LeCateau on August 26; when all other officers were wounded, led his nineteen men in gallant charges. Wounded; Lance Corporal Ernest Ernest Kings Own Light Infantry; At LeCateau on August 26 carried wounded men from trenches under heavy fire assisted to drive a gun over the top by taking place of a wounded driver.

ATHLETICS AT ENGLISH COLLEGES AT STANDSTILL

Men Have Many Varieties of Sport But War Prevents Any Match Games

TEXAN IS DRIVEN HOME FROM TURKEY BY THE WAR

Houston, Texas, Dec. 25.—After spending seven years in the city of San Soun, Turkey, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. King have returned to Houston their former home; war, they said, made it "useless" for them to attempt to remain in Turkey any longer. Mr. King was a buyer of Turkish tobacco for an American concern. He says business is at a standstill in Turkey as a result of the war.

FEW RUSSIANS WOUNDED THESE RECOVER RAPIDLY

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BIG STEEL ORDER BEING PLACED IN PITTSBURGH

France and Russia Are Large Buyers—Business Since War Started Very Heavy

By Associated Press. Pittsburgh, Dec. 28.—Orders for \$5,000,000 worth of high carbonized steel rounds appeared in the Pittsburgh district today; \$3,000,000 for France and \$2,000,000 for Russia. It is estimated that fully \$6,000,000 worth of trenching tools, galvanized sheets, wire and projectile steel have been bought in Pittsburgh for the European belligerents.

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

OFFICERS RIGHT THERE WHEN NEGRO USES GUN

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GETTING BY IN SPITE OF WAR

DIFFERENT, HOW- EVER, FROM OLD DAYS IN CAPITAL

SOUTH HAVE DISAPPEARED

Drawn Vehicles Replace Them - Women Shine Shoes and Do It Badly

Associated Press. - Paris, Dec. 26.—Horse drawn cabs returned to the streets with the progress of the war, but the outfits of their drivers are not as picturesque as they were in their heyday before the motor car came.

All the younger taxicab drivers have disappeared, having been called to their places in the army. Many of them have been put into the supply plums, which perform much excellent and sometimes dangerous service bringing up munitions and food to the men in the trenches.

The Russian, British, Belgian and French national anthems, from almost the sole items in the repertory of the itinerant singers who wander from court yard to court yard of the Parisian apartment houses.

The flower girls, with their "sweet violets" direct from the Riviera, which have never looked fresher nor more dainty, appear to have increased in number, perhaps because they are more noticeable owing to the smaller crowds of pedestrians in the streets.

Harlequins are sought for at the central market by ever-increasing numbers of the outcasts of Paris every morning at an early hour. The "harlequins" are composed of what is left from the meals in the leading restaurants, and the name is derived from the variegated assortment of small pieces of meat, poultry and delicacies set out on plates and sold at prices ranging from two to five cents.

AMERICAN COMMITTEE TO CONTINUE WORK IN LONDON

Renews Lease on its Offices in London - Helping 25 Americans Weekly

Associated Press. - Proctor, Texas, Dec. 28.—Mrs. O. C. Johnson, who was shot by her husband Saturday, was today reported on the way to recovery. The Johnsons had separated, Mrs. Johnson living with her father, Sam Dunlap. Johnson called at Dunlap's house to talk to Mrs. Johnson but when she refused to hold any conversation with him, the husband shot her twice.

BUSCH INTERESTS MAY BUILD MARKET IN WACO

Waco, Texas, Dec. 28.—The Busch interests, it is learned here, are contemplating the erection of an up to date market house in this city; they own some property at the corner of Eighth and Austin streets for which they paid \$140,000 and for which they soon after declined an offer of \$180,000. It was thought that it was their plan to put up an office building there, but it is understood that a public market house is contemplated.

TRADE COMMISSION TO BE NAMED BY WILSON SOON

Several Names Are Said To Be Under Consideration For Five Places On Board

By Associated Press. - Washington, Dec. 28.—President Wilson expects to send to the senate this week nominations of five members of the federal trade commission. It was said at the White House today that the president has narrowed his list of eligibles from 300 to a few men; among these the president is understood to be considering Joseph E. Davies, commissioner of corporations; Alfred B. Norton, a St. Louis lawyer and former progressive candidate for governor of Missouri; Henry J. Waters, president of the Kansas Agricultural College; George F. Peabody, a New York banker and business man; Ed N. Hurley, of Chicago, president of the Illinois Manufacturing association, an expert on the freight trade, particularly in South America; former attorney general T. S. Felder of Chicago and governor Hodges of Kansas.

CAPT. BILL McDONALD IS MARRIED AT QUANAH SUNDAY

Visits This City With His Bride In Afternoon En Route To Home In Dallas

From Monday's Daily. - Capt. Bill McDonald, now federal revenue collector, formerly ranker captain, peace officer and personal bodyguard of President Wilson, became a benedict yesterday morning at Quanah, when he and Miss Pearl Wilkerson of that city were united in marriage by the Baptist minister.

The bride is a business woman of Quanah and is said to be a number of years the junior of the groom. It was known in Dallas this morning that Capt. Bill had committed matrimony and the captain did not deny it when seen by reporters. Pressed for details, however, he affirmed that it was "nobody's business."

WILLARD-JOHNSON FIGHT IN JUAREZ ON MARCH 17

Date For Championship Match Set Today By Willard's Manager In Chicago

Chicago, Dec. 28.—The date of the heavyweight championship contest between Jack Johnson and Jesse Willard has been set for March 17 in Juarez, Mexico by Willard's manager.

ITALIAN IS FOUND DEAD AFTER JILTING HIS GIRL

Is Lured To Lonely Spot and Shot in Back After Discarding His Fiance

By Associated Press. - Chicago, Dec. 28.—A well-dressed Italian who was lured to a lonely spot last night and assassinated was identified today as "Handsome Joe" Varonax. The police say Varonax, recently discarded his fiancee for another; Varonax was shot in the back, identification was made by means of receipts for diamond rings, one purchased two months ago and the other before Christmas. The police say they symbolize his engagement to marry the girl in his case.

HUSBAND SHOTS WIFE AND HER FATHER THEN SUICIDES

Two Are Dead and One On Way To Recovery Following Tragedy at Proctor

Associated Press. - London, Dec. 28.—The American relief committee today renewed the lease on offices for six months. Demands on the committee continue to be heavy and it still has so much to do it is not possible to move its offices to the American embassy. The average number of Americans assisted by the committee weekly is now about 25; these reach London chiefly from the continent.

NEW ORLEANS NEWSPAPERS DECLARE FOR 'OPEN SHOP'

Associated Press. - New Orleans, Dec. 28.—Although three New Orleans newspapers last night declared for the "open shop" as regards their composing rooms the two afternoon papers today prepared to publish only slightly smaller papers than usual. The principal point that caused the break between the Typographical Union and the publishers was the "five-day" rule recently enforced by the union. It provides that a printer holding a position may work only five days a week. This the publishers claim causes confusion and extra expense.

GET OUT OF AUSTIN JAIL USE POCKETKNIFE AS SAW

Associated Press. - Austin, Texas, Dec. 28.—Using a small pocketknife to saw through the lock on the door of the city jail, five men made their escape from the jail in broad daylight. It is believed that someone on the outside smuggled the knife to the men. Two of them were later rearrested.

CAPITAL IS JARRED BY COLQUITT ATTACK

GOVERNOR IN INTERVIEW JUMPS ON WILSON WITH BOTH FEET

LEGISLATURE MAY HIT BACK

Administration's Attitude on Tariff, Mexico and Cotton Situation Severely Criticized

Special to The Times. - Austin, Texas, Dec. 28.—Not in many years have state political circles resented so much the governor when an interview, given by Governor Colquitt to a press association was published. It was a scathing bitter attack on the Wilson administration with reference to the tariff, the cotton situation and the Mexican question. It was that the capital has in years.

It is being freely predicted that the next legislature, which meets in January, will put its oar into the discussion and it is likely that an effort will be made to pass a resolution forcing the administration to resign, as an offset to the government's outbreak. The interview follows:

The Wilson administration will prove the greatest failure in the history of the presidency unless conditions change. The South is a land literally flowing with milk and honey. It has more of the biggest and best crops in its history and yet because of the utter incompetence of the men in charge of the government, its business is prostrated, its credit is impaired and thousands of its people are starving.

The administration's tariff law was pledged to lower the cost of living and it has had the contrary effect. By putting raw materials on the free list and keeping the protective tariff on manufactured goods it has condemned American farmers by hundreds of thousands to penonage and has enabled the manufacturers, getting their raw materials cheaper, to charge higher prices for their goods, which they have done.

Hides were free listed and shoes have gone higher. This is true of virtually every single item similarly treated in the administration tariff law. The American farmer gets less for his raw materials, the American working man pay more for the finished product and the manufacturer is further enriched the protected manufacturing trusts and combines.

The administration's foreign policy has been imbecile. It has allowed England to dictate conditions, as to cotton shipments to European countries. It has enabled English spinners to rob the American cotton growers of half the value of their crop. England stopped American shipments until the English spinners had bought their supply at 6 cents a pound and stored it in Texas and other Southern warehouses.

Then England consented to declare cotton not contraband and France followed suit a day or two later. Our government weakly submitted to England's dictation, playing into the hands of the English spinners and betraying the American cotton growers as completely as if this country were an English vassal state.

If I had been president, I would have served notice on England's premier that our foreign trade in cotton and other non-contraband commodities was going forward with or without England's consent and if necessary I would have sent American iron clads to England's door to enforce that notice.

The administration's repeal of the Panama Canal tolls exemption law in violation of the party's national platform was another weak surrender to England. If free tolls for American ships had not been repealed, hundreds of American owned ships (flying a foreign flag) would have come under the American flag to get the benefit of the exemption and we would today have an American merchant marine competent to carry our goods to foreign markets. We have no such merchant marine and to supply it the Wilson administration is proposing to spend the money through a subsidized national shipping service.

Mexican Controversy.

The Wilson-Bryan management of the Mexican affairs has been a failure. They landed an American army in Vera Cruz to force Huerta to salute the flag and have brought it back without getting the salute. They now ask Congress to appropriate over \$500,000 to pay the expenses of that ridiculous expedition. For what? What did it accomplish? It set all Mexico aflame against the Americans not only in Mexico but in Texas, where all along the north bank of the Rio Grande there are ten Mexicans for one American. It brought on a reign of terror all along the Texas border so that when the federal government refused to afford protection for our people in their own State it was forced to send 1,300 Texas troops down there to give it.

Mexican bandit gangs were crossing the border into Texas raiding and terrorizing our scattered people. Women and children were huddled together in brick houses, menaced with murder and worse. My desk has been flooded with telegrams from Chambers of Commerce, bankers stockmen and other responsible citizens praying for protection all along our 1,300 miles of frontier. Ordered Americans Protected. The federal government had only sixty troops at Brownsville to cover more than two-thirds of that long border. When I rushed the Texas state troops down there, stationing a company at each of the principal border towns, I instructed them not to cross the river nor in any way to violate neutrality laws but at all

FRANK CASE IS APPEALED

MAN WANTED HERE FOR KILLING LOCATED IN PENNSYLVANIA

FRANK REMBERT, SR. NOW UNDER ARREST

Recalls Slaying of Ed Hardwick in This City in 1910—Two Sons Go Free

By Associated Press. - Washington, Dec. 28.—Justice, Lamar of the supreme court today granted an appeal from the decision of the Georgia federal court which refused to release Leo Frank of a habeas corpus proceeding. Frank is under death sentence for the murder of Mary Phagan.

Secretary of War Garrison telegraphed that he thought it unwise to have two military forces occupying the same territory under separate commanders and suggested that I withdraw the state troops. I wired him that I would withdraw the Texas troops when he sent an equal number of regulars to replace them at every place where our men were stationed.

I understand they had everything prepared at Washington to have me indicted by a federal grand jury and the assumption that I meant to invade Mexico—a palpable absurdity which only men utterly ignorant of the situation could have entertained. It is a fact that the whole country does not know that when our Texas troops arrived in Brownsville, the Mexican commander at Matamoros, across the river, offered to surrender that city to the troops of United States cavalry.

The commander at Matamoros evidently believed that the Texas troops meant to take his city and thought the United States troops were more friendly than the Texans. The Washington conception of our business on the border was as ridiculous as that of the Mexican commander.

Willard and Bryan have stood by encouraging one gang of bandits after another while people were being butchered all over Mexico, while the vast American interests in that country were being confiscated and shot to pieces, and today the Mexican chaos is worse than at any time since Madero was assassinated. Villa is the dictator of the country and I understand that all he wants is to be chief of police of Mexico City with control of gambling concessions in the cities of Mexico and Juarez.

Our government has kept England and Germany from restoring order in Mexico and has itself done nothing but contribute to the disorder and lawlessness by its vacillating "watching and waiting" policy—if it can be called a policy. The properties of Mexico and the big exploiters of Mexican resources have got control of the situation absolutely and these same interests have got the ear of our government at Washington to rob the American cotton growers of half the value of their crop.

The administration's anti-trust laws are barefaced fakes so far as protecting the people from trust oppression is concerned. These laws please nobody so well as the Standard Oil, the steel and other great trusts.

I am fully convinced that the national election of 1916 will end the Democratic regime unless conditions change. The policies of the Democratic national administration have wholly failed either to curb monopolies or lower the cost of living for the people and they have contributed materially to deprive millions of wage earners in employment.

I raised among my personal friends in Texas more than \$100,000 for the Wilson campaign fund and the only favor I asked of him was he appoint men who would aid the Texas state government to enforce law and order along the Mexican border. It was my earnest desire to assist in making the Democratic national administration a success, but I would not sacrifice the honor of my state, nor the welfare of her people to win the favor of any administration.

At no time have I failed to get courteous treatment from the leaders of the Mexican revolution. I sympathize with the Mexican people, but I also sympathize with Americans who have property rights in Mexico that ought to have been protected.

OFFICERS CHOSEN SUNDAY AT MEETING OF B. V. P. U.

At the regular meeting of the B. V. P. U. of the First Baptist Church Sunday evening officers were elected for the coming year and chairmen of the various committees were appointed. The officers elected were Edgar Carney, president; Miss Ruth Staley, first vice president; Jesse Miller, second vice president; Miss Inezene Brown, third vice president; Miss Elizabeth Miller, secretary; Charlie Morris, treasurer; Miss Lucy Huggins, chorister; Miss Runa Brown, organist.

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SHERIFF LEAVES TO GET HIM

Recalls Slaying of Ed Hardwick in This City in 1910—Two Sons Go Free

From Monday's Daily. - Frank Rembert Sr., charged by indictment with the murder of Ed Hardwick here in 1910 is in jail at McKeesrock, Pa., and Sheriff G. A. Hawkins has left for that place to bring him back here to face trial. News of the arrest of Rembert was received here yesterday. Some time ago the chief of police at McKeesrock wrote to County Attorney Bruce Greenwood asking if Rembert was not wanted here for killing a man for which one of his sons was serving time. Mr. Greenwood turned the letter over to Mr. Hawkins who wired the McKeesrock officer to arrest Rembert. Yesterday Mr. Hawkins received a telegram telling him that Rembert was in jail.

Long Trip Necessary. - Mr. Hawkins left this afternoon for Austin to secure requisition papers and from there will go to Harrisburg, the capital of Pennsylvania and thence to McKeesrock. It will require more than a week of traveling to get the prisoner back here.

Hardwick received fatal wounds in a quarrel with Rembert and his two sons, Harry and Frank Jr. He died from a knife wound in his throat that severed the jugular vein. Rembert's two sons had engaged Hardwick, who was a farmer living in the Allendale community in a fight when the elder Rembert came up and joined the fray. Suddenly a stream of blood began to crimson all the combatants and the elder Rembert exclaimed, "He's cut his own throat." The fight stopped and Hardwick was carried to the Wichita Falls Sanitarium, where he died about 24 hours later.

All Three Indicted. - All three of the Remberts were bound over to the grand jury but the grand jury met the father left for parts unknown. All were indicted but the father was not located. The two boys were tried and convicted and given seven years each but upon appeal a new trial was granted and subsequently the charges against them were dismissed. Later Mrs. Rembert secured a divorce from her husband. She is now living at Electra. How the McKeesrock officer learned that Rembert was wanted here is only a matter of conjecture but it is supposed that he boasted of his competition with the killing he committed and that in this manner he reached the ears of the officers. It is said that while living in this section he boasted of having killed a man in Alabama, where he worked in the iron mines prior to coming here.

O. D. Zorn and H. D. Kora have leased the building and equipment in which the Motor Inn conducts its business at 607 Ohio avenue, and will continue the business in the name of the Wichita Auto and Machine Co. Both are young and experienced in their line of business.

A pair of Mongolian pheasants in the show window of the City Meat Market on Indiana avenue, have attracted much attention. They are from the Joyce ranch near Petrolia.

OKLAHOMA WHEAT OUTLOOK DECLARED TO BE EXCELLENT

Special to The Times. - Oklahoma City, Dec. 28.—There has been a marked improvement in the wheat outlook in Oklahoma during the past few weeks, rain and snow having brought the crop to a much better condition, especially in the western part of the State. The crop is, however, slightly below the average condition for this time of the year due to dry weather earlier in the season.

SURRENDERS AFTER SIX YEARS, ON MURDER CHARGE

By Associated Press. - San Antonio, Texas, Dec. 28.—Six years ago Frank Castellone was killed near this city in an affray in a rock quarry and Librado Valdes being charged with the crime and murder. He has surrendered, walking into Sheriff Tobin's office and giving himself up. He was released on \$1000 bond.

DAMAGE IN HARRIS COUNTY BY RECENT HEAVY RAINS

Special to The Times. - Houston, Texas, Dec. 28.—It is estimated that fully \$100,000 damage was caused to roads in Harris county by the recent torrential rains. For a number of days the precipitation was incessant and considerable improvement work that had been done will have to be done over again.

CONSTABLE DOESN'T WANT MONEY FOR EVICTIONS

Special to The Times. - Dallas, Texas, Dec. 28.—"I don't want to get money that way," said Constable John Baldwin speaking of the collecting of fees for serving eviction warrants when tenants have not paid their rent. It is said that some of the local officers have paid the rent in such cases out of their own pockets rather than serve the warrants.

FORT WORTH RECEIPTS BREAK RECORD THIS YEAR

By Associated Press. - Fort Worth, Texas, Dec. 28.—Fort Worth's cattle receipts for 1914 are now up to the million mark and will close up business December 31, will be well over that figure; it is the biggest year in the history of the cattle division. The last few months have surpassed all records.

NEW PHONE PERIL IS DISCOVERED HERE

MORE THAN TWO CAN USE ONE LINE AT THE SAME TIME

MAY OVERHEAR CONVERSATION

Made Possible With Switchboard in New Building When "Busy Test" is Disregarded

From Wednesday's Daily. - Two in company and three in a crowd. That applies under nearly all conditions and particularly on telephone wires. And yet it is possible, since the new exchange was put in, for a "crowd" to get on the wire and three or more persons use a line at the same time. Before this exchange was used, this was not possible, but in the new building it happens whenever central disregards the "busy test."

When you call for a number that is busy, central tries to plug you in and the line comes back with a little click-click that tells her the line is busy. If she disregards this warning and plugs you in anyhow, you may hear some very interesting conversation.

The new system is thus fraught with dangers. Suppose, for instance, that while you were making arrangements with some friends, over the phone, to light things up that evening and your wife should happen to call at that particular time and central should be too busy to hear the little click-click. Wouldn't that be tragic? Or suppose you were talking to a young lady and your prospective wife should be rung in on the line. Or suppose a young lady were talking to a young man and the young man's accursed rival should be plugged in. The prospect is too horrible to contemplate. Suppose the preacher should happen to call while you were ordering a case up from the brewery. One shudders at the bare thought.

The reason that this plug-in is possible under the new system is because when the ohms get crosswise with the rheostats, that doxifies the short circuit and of course causes the insulators to be radiated. It can be readily understood that this would cause a high frequency on the transmission and act as an accumulator on the switchboard. It really is very simple when once you understand it. The dangers cited above are not imaginary. This sort of switchboard is in use in all large cities and several years ago a Fort Worth woman attempted to call her husband over the phone. Fate caused central to disregard the busy test and the woman heard her husband and another woman deliberately planning an elopement. The wife a few hours later shot and killed the other woman.

Under the old system, when central disregarded the busy test, which she did, once in every so often, somebody had to get off as only two could talk and usually it was the one who had done the calling first. The girls here have been warned to listen carefully for the busy test, and probably when they get fully accustomed to the new switchboard, there will be comparatively little trouble in the meantime be careful when, where, how and to whom you talk. Which is a pretty good rule, anyhow.

DO IT NOW

Wichita Fall People Should Not Wait Until It Is Too Late. The appalling death rate from kidney disease is due largely to the fact that the little kidney troubles are usually neglected until they become serious. The slight symptoms often give place to chronic disorders and the sufferer may slip gradually into some serious form of kidney complaint. If you suffer from backache, headaches, dizzy spells; if the kidney secretions are irregular of passage and unnatural in appearance, do not delay. Help the kidneys at once. Doan's Kidney Pills are especially for kidney disorders—they act where others fail. Over one hundred thousand people have recommended them. Here's a case at home: F. McEnnis, carpenter, 1106 Scott St., Wichita Falls, Tex., says: "I suffered from pains across the small of my back and in my sides. I also had to get up frequently during the night to pass the kidney secretions. Being Doan's Kidney Pills so highly recommended, I bought a box and used them as directed. In a short time I was cured." Price 50c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. McEnnis had. Foster-McLennan Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y. (Advt.)

CLAIMS HE WAS ROBBED AFTER WINNING AT POKER

Several Charges Have Been Filed, Examining Trials Are Held in Justice Court. From Wednesday's Daily. - At a preliminary hearing before Justice Jones yesterday Hiney Voss was bound over to the grand jury on a complaint charging theft from the person. His bond was set at \$150. T. J. Colburn, charged in a complaint with robbery waived preliminary hearing and was bound over to the grand jury under \$500 bond. Jack Porter, charged with robbery has not yet been given a hearing. H. Ray is in jail awaiting a preliminary charge of perjury. The last three cases grow out of a poker game at which Ray claimed after winning some money he was robbed at the point of a revolver. The complaint against Ray reads: "I saw his testimony in the city court."

LEGION OF HONOR CROSS FOR PRIVATE

LIEUTENANT AND PRIVATE RE-GAIN CROSS AFTER 58 DAYS IN ENEMY'S LINE

ONLY MEMBERS LEFT ALIVE

Company Completely Decimated by Enemy in Attack on Entrenchments

By Associated Press. - Paris, Dec. 28.—Lieutenant Bernard and private Morand de Jouffrey, the former promoted captain and decorated with the cross of the Legion of Honor, the latter succeeded in rejoining their corps after passing 58 days within the enemy lines. When the 12th company of the 144th regiment of infantry, commanded by Captain Blandin, found itself isolated from the rest of the regiment and surrounded by the enemy in the center of a wood the evening of August 24 it numbered about 300 men and 40 officers. They decided that under any circumstances would they surrender and at once began an effort to pierce the German lines.

The company made a night attack upon the village of R— Aug. 25 and captured two barricades under a heavy fire, the advance guard losing half of its number.

Captain is Wounded. - Captain Blandin, wounded by a bullet in the thigh had to be helped along by his men but he would not give up. After scouting the second barricade the men found themselves before new defenses consisting of wire trellises from behind which the Germans poured a murderous fire into them. The advance guard charged against it twice and was nearly annihilated. The company now numbered 100 men.

Notwithstanding the decimation of their ranks these survivors led by Captain Blandin made another advance of 500 yards. The men brought Captain Blandin to allow them to carry him.

The safety of the company alone counts," he replied to Lieut. Bernard. "Take command and forward march." The men took a pathetic leave of the captain who crawled into a thicket as the remnant of the company pushed on. Time pressed more and more—the enemy growing in numbers hemmed them in closer and closer. They plunged into the breast of J— with only 50 men left.

On October 20th Lieut. Bernard and Private Morand de Jouffrey were themselves born to the last shred of endurance and they bivouacked that night with the assurance that the Germans would either take them in the morning or they would be found dead there later on.

The two men moved on again in the morning and debouching from a thicket into a clearing October 23 the morning of the 29th day of their march fell weeping for joy at the sight of the familiar red trousers of the French infantry.

FOREIGN WAITERS BARRED IN LONDON RESTAURANTS

War Has Caused None But English To Be Employed. Many Changes Made. By Associated Press. - "No Alien Enemies Employed in this Establishment," is one of the signs now confronting Londoners in the majority of the restaurants, tea shops and eating places of the middle and cheap grades. Some go even further and announce "No Aliens are Employed in this Establishment." This is a triumph for the British Waiters' Union. Before the war foreigners from the continent monopolized the waiters' calling throughout England, except in a few of the old fashioned British establishments, particularly those in the heart of London where an old-guard of business men living up to the traditions of former generations remain faithful to their turtle soup, and beef steak and bottle of port, for their midday meal, and cling to famous old resorts which may have been built and comfortable according to the standards of Dickens and Thackeray's time, but would command the attentions of the Board of Health in an American city.

The staffs of the larger English hotels, from the manager's office to the kitchen, were manned by foreigners. Most of these hotels are owned by companies and the stockholders placed dividends before loyalty to British servants, when British employes had been proven less profitable than aliens, Germans, Swiss and Italians had taken the hotel and restaurant business by storm.

The British Waiters' Union clamored for recognition vainly until the war. Then the newspapers took up its case, and there has resulted a clean sweep of Germans, Austrians, and of Swiss who speak with a German accent. The hotels are now being fitted to placate their windows with the signs that alien enemies are not employed, but they make a more conspicuous and more diplomatic show of patriotism by covering their fronts with flags and loyal mottoes.

The case of German restaurants, and shops which have professed to serve genuine German foods and beers is especially pathetic. One of the latter, which has many branches in London, has filled its windows with signs that its sausages are made from British pork at its own factory in the North of England, and also makes mention of its contributions to the Prince of Wales' Relief Fund. Another explains that the alien owners were brought out by British capital years ago, but the Germans name was retained to keep the old customers.







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## MY RUSE

BY WILL SHAT.



W HEN my uncle died the people of Frankfort were almost distracted between the conflicting emotions of grief and curiosity.

They knew, or thought they knew, my uncle as the richest man by far in the city. Silent, cold and reserved, no one had ever presumed to be his confidential friend.

He died without a kin or a friend of any kind in the world, except myself, whom he heartily detested. We had not spoken to each other for years, and both were glad of it. I regarded him as an arrogant, coldly calculating scoundrel—without heart, conscience or human sympathy. He thought of me as an idle, shiftless dreamer with the heart of a poet and the head of a fool.

Therefore, when I returned to Frankfort for I never long remained in the unconsoling hole—the inhabitants of that town were properly curious as to whether he would leave his money to his unworthy nephew or to some worthy charity.

After the funeral I was called into a private room, where two men were seated. One of them I recognized as my uncle's lawyer, the other as his banker.

Mr. Boies, the lawyer got up and lighted the gas, pulled down the shades and looked at the door. The banker remained seated, offering no comment; I gazed with fascinated interest from one to the other. Mr. Boies having at last secured the proper privacy seated himself and began:

"Mr. Gordon, I have a strange communication to make to you—the strangest that you ever heard. It is concerning your uncle's will. We three are the only persons on earth that are to know the contents of this strange bequest, and if you refuse to abide by the provisions enumerated therein you are forbidden ever to speak about it. Do you accept this preliminary requirement?"

"I do," I said, without hesitation. "Then, first of all, you must know that your uncle was far richer than any one imagined. He died possessed of almost unlimited wealth—not one, but many, many millions. If you accept the terms of his will your letter of credit with Mr. Brenton will be unlimited. No check, however small or great will be unobeyed; your wealth will exceed the dreams of Monte Cristo. If you refuse the terms of the will all his wealth goes to charity."

"Go on," said I nervously. "The provisions of this strange bequest are in brief these: That

all of this great fortune is to be yours, to spend in any manner you choose; provided you remain within the corporate limits of Frankfort, always; and further, that you tell no one of the contents of this bequest."

The two men looked at me curiously; I was strangely embarrassed. Never in my wildest imagination had I dreamed of anything like this.

"Once more tell me the restrictions that will be placed on me, if I accept?"

"That you are never to leave the corporate limits of Frankfort, willingly or unwillingly, and that you tell no one of the conditions of the will. The simple you break any one of these requirements the money passes out of your hands."

"I accept the terms," I said briefly, and hurried out; lest I change my decision.

My uncle, I reflected, could have inflicted no greater punishment than that of compelling me to live inside of the city limits of Frankfort, and yet who in the world would not jump at the chance of being absolute monarch and dictator of one of the bustling young American cities, for such it would be.

Though I possessed the contempt of most of the inhabitants that knew me, I did not have an enemy there; and I knew that as much as unlimited money was mine these people would be fawning sycophants at my feet.

The best hotel that the town possessed was the Elks, a three-story building that stood on a prominent corner. It was old in design, rather shabby behind the times and had been enlarged once or twice. Everyone with proper civic pride was sensitive as to the Elks, yet recognized the fact that no one could successfully compete with the landlord, George Graham, in starting a new hotel, for the reason that competitive building space was too valuable and the price of labor and building material too high to make this investment profitable.

As I entered the lobby and advanced to the office I saw Graham himself behind the desk.

"Hello, Gordon, want a square meal before you hit the road again?" Many a time he had spoken in a similar manner, yet today, without telling him so, I retorted:

"On the contrary, I am going to stay with you for a time, and shall require a room with a bath, or better yet, a suite."

"Do you want Florida water in your bath?" said he, scarcely hiding a sneer.

"I want civil treatment," was my retort.

"Our terms are cash in advance," he replied flushing, almost purple. When he named a price he thought beyond my means, I pulled out a checkbook and wrote the amount,

signed my name and gave it to him. He rang the call bell and as the first boy approached, said: "Here, take this to the bank and see if it is any good."

I walked away and several in the crowd that had been drawn together by the sound of our voices tittered. He had drawn first blood.

Perhaps Frankfort would keep me interested after all. I liked the prospect best. One thing was certain, George Graham and I would be better acquainted before long.

When I lay down that night it was not to sleep, but to think out plans for the future.

The next morning I started out on my plan of campaign. I selected the corner from the Elks that I conceived to be most desirable and got options from as many of the owners as I thought would be necessary to build a hotel the size I wanted.

Next I went to the tenants and got from them options on their leases. I accomplished all this within one week, and so little was I known and respected that I succeeded in getting both the land and the leases at very reasonable rates. Those that knew me concluded I had a little money that I wanted to spend in making a show.

The following day, when I took up the options and insisted upon deeds and terms of conveyance being completed; there were mingled feelings of joy, consternation and wonderment on all sides. I was at once the sensation of the town.

No one knew what use I was going to make of the buildings or grounds, though I had an idea that George Graham had a secret fear of what was going to happen. He was respectful enough now, to my face, but from all I could hear he was as venomous as a snake behind my back.

The second day after my purchase the principal architect from a nearby city arrived, and we spent the rest of the week on the plans. My directions were very simple; build a hotel three times the size of the Elks, and without any restrictions whatsoever, make it the finest that money can buy.

The man thought I was simple, but he charitably named the venture Civic Pride, and we let it go at that.

I demanded the erection of this hotel in an impossibly short time, and as money can accomplish much in Frankfort as well as elsewhere, I had the old buildings razed and work begun on the new, almost before the citizens realized what we were doing.

As the new building went up, almost as if by magic, I realized what mass meant. With my rise came the fall of George Graham. That he felt the old building raised and work begun on the new, almost before the citizens realized what we were doing.

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George Graham was paying court to her. It was but one more reason why it should be a war to the death between us; nevertheless, I was doing a good landlord. Installed, his was practically a deserted fan.

On the occasion of the opening of the "Frankfort" I gave a reception and ball. Among the guests was a young lady by the name of Ella Cole. I knew the statue I saw her that I simply must have her for my wife.

Far from it; he had a number, many of them, but he was a partisan, and would not hesitate at anything to accomplish their purpose.

Among these was a young fellow named Reynolds, who owned a jewelry store next door to the Elks. This cur had already circulated a number of most malicious lies about me, when I determined to put him out of business. I might have a sort of respect for Graham, but none for this braggart.

In a similar manner and for like reasons I established and controlled a newspaper, a bakery, a harness shop and a theater.

The town was rapidly becoming mine and I was king.

If anyone disliked me or my ways they acquired the ability of keeping that knowledge to themselves; for somehow they found that my enemies, for some cause they could not fully understand, were rapidly taking advantage of the bankruptcy law.

During this period I managed to find time to pay court to Della Cole. I can not say that I made the headway there that I did in everything else. She seemed to avoid me and though I couldn't tell that Graham was making any progress I was quite sure that I was not getting along as I should.

I was not a little puzzled at her attitude, and I remember one evening in particular that I called at her home and tried to get an explanation from her.

"Mr. Gordon," she said with a little nervous laugh, "you are so used to having your feet on the ground since your return to town that you imagine that I ought to fall into your arms, almost before I know you."

"That sounded so satisfying to myself that I was beginning to feel quite gratified, when I suddenly wondered what she meant.

"I scarcely know," I began, when she interrupted me.

"Mr. Gordon, with all your money, power and talents, we of Frankfort often wonder why you—both of you—spend it all on us. Why don't, in short, move to a larger place or spend part of your time in travel?"

"Why, Miss Cole, don't you know I couldn't leave town—I mean, I won't leave while you are here?"

A noise like the falling of a chair in the next room, or the violent slamming of a window blind by the wind, startled us.

That night when I was walking to my hotel I was seized by four ruffians, who bound, gagged and threw me into a light wagon standing near. I fought as I never had fought before, for I realized what I should have should they succeed in getting me beyond the city limits.

We had nearly reached that point when I succeeded in jumping out of the buggy. The fall nearly killed me, but a passerby saw it and came to my rescue.

What was the reason for my attempted abduction? Had anyone guessed my secret? If so, I knew that my days of power were over. While anyone would hesitate to murder me, I had enemies who would not hesitate to commit the lesser crime of abducting me.

As I thought of my stay in Frankfort I knew had not been very pleasant to anyone, unless I had to believe the evening of the night I was abducted. Had she never heard of Della Cole, or had my secret been overheard when I had almost given up away to her?

As soon as I was able and possible I called again and told the story of which she heard. I was certain that if any one knew, they had overheard the slip of the tongue I had made and guessed the rest.

For the first time in my life I was afraid. A dilemma was liable to come to all my pretensions at almost any minute.

I pleaded with Della for her love that evening. I loved her more than I thought it possible for me to love. She represented the only thing in Frankfort that I was not sure of. Her very desire of possession seemed to feed my passion a hundred fold.

Sympathy or love, I could not tell which, made her unusually kind, and while she would not say yes, yet gave me some hope.

The next day I went to my lawyer and studied over the contents of the will carefully. There I did a very unusual thing. I bought black after block of the business center of Frankfort, and as fast as possible sold what I had just purchased, even if I only got half or two-thirds of the amount I had previously paid. As fast as I got the money from these sales I banked it, until I had a trifling sum of \$300,000.

Meantime everyone secretly thought I had gone crazy.

Then I went to the girl I had come to love better than life itself, and in the privacy of my carriage, in the middle of the road, safe from listening ears and tattling tongues, I told her something of the story of my life, and of my uncle Aaron's will.

"And you forget everything," she said with wide and wondering eyes.

"By telling me this?"

"Everything in the world I do not have in my own name," I corrected, "but I would give it all, and more, too, if I had it, for your respect, your love."

"Soft arms stole around my neck. I know all about it; you have lost and won out. Perhaps it is best, for I imagine someone suspected your secret. But what passes my understanding is why didn't you get millions of your uncle's wealth transferred to your name?"

"It seems to me that with Della, my property in town and \$300,000 in the bank I ought to do pretty well," he replied smilingly. "Now let us have a chance."

"I know," said Mr. Boies, "I know all about it; you have lost and won out. Perhaps it is best, for I imagine someone suspected your secret. But what passes my understanding is why didn't you get millions of your uncle's wealth transferred to your name?"

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## WAR'S FIFTH MONTH ENDS IN APPARENT DEADLOCK

### Germany's Aggression Seems Checked, But Allies Unable To Force Her Backward

## RUSSIA CLAIMS DEFINITE CHECK OF INVADERS

### Austria-Hungary Said To Be Planning New Campaign Against Serbia Comment On U. S. Note

By Associated Press.

London, Jan. 1.—The German war of attrition found another British victim today and robbed the British navy by sinking the sixteen-year-old, but still useful, battleship Formidable of the same class as the battleship Bulwark blown up a few weeks ago off Sheerness. Apparently the loss of life on board the Formidable has been very heavy as only 71 members of her crew are known to have been saved. The officials, however, hold out hope that others may have been picked up. The exact locality of this disaster has not been revealed but the fact that it occurred in the British channel recalls the circumstance that British ships have been engaged in bombarding the German positions on the Begium coast and that German submarines on several occasions in the past have attempted to torpedo them.

The close of the fifth month of war finds Germany still in occupation of virtually the whole of Belgium, an important tract of French territory in the western theatre of war and a considerable slice of Russian Poland along the eastern battle front, a thousand miles away. It would appear nevertheless that German, for the present at least, is unable to make further headway. British commentators today called attention to the fact that the inevitable for the moment seemed to be in the hands of the allies commanders and the German public utterances to the effect that Germany is waging a defensive war to save her country from invasion is accepted as an indirect admission that to battle on two fronts a thousand miles apart has caused an unanticipated strain on even the great resources of the empire.

There are however no illusions in London as to the difficulties confronting the allies. It is recognized that the task of recovering the territory seized by Germany will be very difficult.

On the German's east wing, in Alsace, the French are once more in possession of a portion of Steinbach, a village of much strategic importance which they occupied early in the war. Against the German right wing the allies are pushing slowly along the sand dunes bordering the North Sea in the direction of the Ostend where the guns of the British fleet prevent the Germans from occupying the town. The larger armies now training in England will be ready to go across the channel as soon as a more rapid movement is considered desirable.

It is claimed at Petrograd that Field Marshal Von Hindenberg's rush for Warsaw has been opposed with such success that it has been definitely checked, but the German war office reports that satisfactory progress is being made except in Galicia where what practically amounts to a rout of the Austrian forces, with the aid they have from the Germans, is admitted. Opinions vary as to whether the Austro-Hungarian forces will again stir the hornet's nest to the southward of the dual monarchy. At present Serbia and Montenegro have fought their big neighbor to a standstill but

## BRITISH BATTLESHIP IS SUNK IN CHANNEL TODAY

### Not Known Whether Mine Or Submarine Caused Disaster—71 Survivors Picked Up

By Associated Press.

London, Jan. 1.—2:14 p. m. The British battleship Formidable was sunk this morning in the British channel by either a mine or a submarine, according to an announcement given out by the official information bureau. The text of the bureau's statement follows:

"The battleship Formidable was sunk this morning in the Channel, but whether by a mine or by a submarine is not yet certain. Seventy-one survivors have been picked up by a British light cruiser and it is possible that others may have been rescued by other vessels."

As in previous disasters to British ships the casualty list in this case includes many midshipmen, no fewer than sixteen having been on board the Formidable. The Formidable had a displacement of 15,000 tons; she was 430 feet long and carried a complement of 750 men. She was heavily armored and carried four twelve-inch guns, twelve six-inch guns and sixteen twelve-pounders. She was provided also with four submerged torpedo tubes. The Formidable was launched in 1898 and was a sister ship to the Irresistible and Implacable.

The Formidable had assigned to her, according to British navy lists of December, various fleet officers and consequently she undoubtedly was acting as a flagship at the time of her destruction. Her captain was Arthur N. Loxley and her commander Charles F. Ballard. Captain John C. Deed was in command of the marines on board while the fleet surgeon was Godfrey Taylor and the fleet paymaster T. J. Ling. The chaplain is given as the Rev. George D. Robinson. On board the Formidable were also sixteen midshipmen.

It is reported that Austria is preparing a new expedition of a million men to invade Serbia.

The excitement produced by President Wilson's note concerning the detention of American vessels by British warships has cooled with the publication of the text of the communication. Attorney General J. A. Simon discussed points of international law with Foreign Secretary Grey today and the reply will be formulated without delay. The subject may be raised in the House of Lords when that body reassembles Wednesday.

The Berlin war office announced today the abandonment of the attempt to retake the Belgian town of St. Georges recently captured by the allies, on account of the high water. The heaviest fighting in the west yesterday was in the Argonne. The Berlin statement asserts that ground was won there and that 400 prisoners and a quantity of supplies were taken. The French war office admits that the Germans advanced 50 yards in places. The allies, it is said, are making progress foot by foot in the battle for possession of the Alsatian town of Steinbach.

In Poland fighting has been all but halted by a heavy mist. Russian attacks in Galicia near the Carpathians are declared by Vienna to have been repulsed.

Publication in London of the note concerning British interference with American shipping has allayed irritation there which arose from false impressions of the tone which the communication was phrased. It is believed there that in view of the Briton's avowed intention of showing the same friendly spirit as is shown by America an amicable adjustment speedily will be arranged.

## GERMAN AEROPLANES AGAIN BOMBARD FRENCH SEACOAST TOWN OF DUNKIRK

By Associated Press.

Paris, Jan. 1.—Dunkirk on the northern coast of France was bombarded again by four German aeroplanes Thursday according to reports which reached Paris last night.

## GERMAN ATTACKS DECLARED REPULSED

FRENCH SAY EFFORTS TO REGAIN LOST TERRITORY FAILED.

## MANY ARTILLERY ENGAGEMENTS

Slow Progress, Foot by Foot, Is Being Made at Stunbert on Eastern Side.

By Associated Press.

Paris, Jan. 1.—The French war office this afternoon gave out this official statement:

"From the sea to Rheims there was yesterday hardly anything more than artillery engagements. The enemy bombarded, without result, the village of St. Georges and the head of the bridge position organized by the Belgians at a point south of Dixmude. Spirited cannonades resulted advantageously for us, between Labasse and Carrency; between Albert and Roye; in the region of Verneuil and in the neighborhood of Blanc Sablon, which is near Craonne. At this mentioned point we also demolished certain German earthworks."

"In the region of Perthes and Deaujeu we have held the gains made by us on December 30. During the day of December 31, the activity of the opposing artillery forces was uninterrupted. In the Argonne the enemy attacked violently almost the entire front in the forest of Lagurrie. At certain points he advanced for a distance of 50 yards but counter attacks were at once delivered. In the region of Verdun there have been violent artillery engagements."

"Between the Meuse and Moselle to the north of Fliery the Germans delivered during the night of December 30 and 31 and the morning of December 31 no less than six violent counter attacks for the purpose of retaking the trenches captured by us on December 30. Each of these attacks was brilliantly repulsed."

"Our aviators have bombarded at night the railroad stations at Metz and Arranville. We continue to make progress, foot by foot, at Steinbeck. Here the artillery of the enemy showed great activity during the morning of December 31, but in the afternoon of this day our batteries won a distinct advantage."

## OFFER PRIZE FOR BEST PARK PLANS

ALDERMEN WANT IDEAS AS TO MAKING IMPROVEMENTS

## TWENTY DOLLARS TO BE GIVEN

Believed Competition Will Stimulate Interest in Plans for Making Tracts Attractive

The city of Wichita Falls is offering twenty dollars in gold each for the most acceptable plans for improving the new park site on the "seven sisters" block and the Huff-McGregor block. The offer was decided upon after a discussion of the matter by the city council last night. Plans may be left with the city secretary. No date has yet been set when the plans must be in, but it is desired to commence work on the improvement of these parks, especially that on the seven sisters' block site at an early date. It is assumed that the plans ought to be submitted as soon as possible.

The suggestion of a prize competition was submitted by Councilman Bradley and met with instant favor. It is believed this plan will create interest in the city's parks and that the competition will bring forth plans that will be better and more artistic than might otherwise be obtained. It is expected that many Wichita Falls ladies who have ideas in landscape gardening will submit them.

Dr. J. F. Reed, chairman of the park committee, submitted estimates on the cost of improving the seven sisters' park site. According to his estimate, \$2,850 would be required for the improvement of the site.

As the improvement of the Scotland park involved engineering problems, and as this park is on a much larger scale than the other two parks named, plans will not be asked for it on a competitive basis.

The successful contestant in the competition will win not only prizes of gold, but a prized distinction and honor as well. The council in announcing the competition does so with the understanding that it may reject all plans if it elects to do so.

## TEN PERSONS KILLED IN WRECK NEAR LONDON TODAY

By Associated Press.  
London, Jan. 1.—Ten persons were killed and many others injured in a train collision this morning on the Great Eastern railway near Ilford, five miles from London. Some of the railroad cars were reduced to splinters. The victims of the accident are mostly city clerks.

## GERMANY CLAIMS 567,875 PRISONERS

IMMENSE NUMBER OF CAPTURED SOLDIERS INTERNED DURING THE WAR.

## MOST OF THEM FROM RUSSIA

Declared Figures Do Not Include Civilians Who Have Been Detained or Interned.

By Associated Press.

Berlin, Jan. 1.—The total number of prisoners held in Germany at the end of the war amounts to 8,138 officers and 577,875 men. This list does not include civilians interned in Germany nor the prisoners taken during the pursuit in Russian Poland or those in transports. Of the above the French contribute 3,429 officers, including even generals and 215,915 men; the Russians 2,575 officers of which eighteen are generals and 306,290 men; the Belgians 612 officers, including three generals and 36,852 men; the British 492 officers and 18,528 men.

Headquarters says the report that 1140 German officers and 134,700 men are prisoners of war in Russia is misleading, since this last includes interned civilians; probably not more than fifteen per cent of the total are military prisoners.

## NEW YORK GIVES HEARTY GREETING TO NEW YEAR

By Associated Press.  
New York, Jan. 1.—Daylight failed to quell the greeting New York gave the New Year. The revelry continued on Broadway far into the morning hours and police declared the celebration the biggest of its kind ever known in the city. At six o'clock this morning many restaurants still were turning would-be patrons away. Homeward bound transportation characteristic of the evening rush hours were in effect this morning.

## NO FALLING OFF IN DEMAND FOR NEW SHIPS

London, Jan. 1.—There seems to be no falling off in the demand for new ships. Further orders have been placed this week for new steamers in the Clyde and Northwest coast yards.

The orders for Clyde yards are said to be eleven steamers, aggregating fifty-four thousand tons, including a passenger steamer for the Atlantic trade of sixteen thousand tons. The Northwest coast yards are asked to supply about five thousand tons of steel and two oil-carrying vessels.

Steel makers are reaping a rich harvest through the present abnormal demand for shipbuilding material, especially those with works in close proximity to the yards where government contracts are being carried through with great despatch.

## FEWER CHRISTMAS TREES IN LONDON THIS YEAR

London, Jan. 1.—London marketmen realized this year more fully than ever the fact that the Christmas tree is distinctly a German institution. With all German men of military age either out of England or interned, the homes of the Germans who formerly lived in London have been disrupted with the result that there has been a marked decline in the demand for Christmas trees.

Germany originated the Christmas tree idea and have always been the best customers for trees. Norway has ordinarily supplied London with the trees, but trade between this country and Norway is now so badly disorganized because of naval operations and mine dangers that few trees have been received. Most of them were cut in Sussex and Yorkshire this year.

## It's Easy To Keep The Pledge In Czar's Land Now

By Associated Press.  
Petrograd, Jan. 1.—The last appeal against Russia's prohibition decree failed Thursday when the councils of Petrograd and Moscow rejected a petition to authorize the recommencement of the sale of beer and light wines.

The recent final order to discontinue the sale of all alcoholic drinks was issued with the reservation that the city councils should have the right to appeal for an authorization of recommencement of the sale of three per cent beer and light wines.

The final prohibition order was issued so unexpectedly that there was no opportunity to provide against the coming period of absence. Between six and eight o'clock in the evening the merchants received instruction that after today there would be absolute prohibition and hence there was no chance to give warning to customers who on a prior false alarm lined the streets for many hours awaiting their turns to get into the wine shops. The former wine shops, which managed to weather the vodka edict, are now almost without patrons.

## Fort Worth Live Stock

Fort Worth, Texas, Jan. 1.—Cattle receipts 1150, steady. Beves 6.25 to 7.50. Hog receipts 1000, strong. Bulk 7.20 to 7.35. No sheep, steady; lambs 7.50 to 8.50.

## LONDON SOOTHED BY NOTE'S PUBLICATION

FINDS AMERICAN POSITION LESS UNCOMPROMISING THAN SUPPOSED.

## NOTHING LIKE AN ULTIMATUM

General Idea Is That England Will Do All In Her Power to Meet Situation.

By Associated Press.

London, Jan. 1.—Publication of the text of the American note on the shipping question has quieted any irritation occasioned by the incomplete sentences in the first summary. There were certain English men who saw something like an ultimatum in the cabled excerpts, but perusal of the note has dispelled this conception. The Pall Mall Gazette today voiced the general opinion when it said:

"We could perhaps place our fingers on certain contentions which show some failure to appreciate the difficulties of our position but it is not our business to chop logic. Edward Grey may be trusted to give the government of President Wilson all the satisfaction it properly can ask while indicating the measures of reposition compels us to continue. Short of sacrificing our best weapon nothing will be left undone to meet the wishes of the United States."

## THREE BOYS ARE INJURED BY IMPROVISED CANNON

Accident in Factory District Marks Nolo Greeting Given New Year Last Night.

While preparing to greet the advent of the New Year with a noisy demonstration by the explosion of gun powder in an improvised gas pipe cannon in the factory district last night, Pete Daniels, aged 14, son of Tom Daniels, and Walter Morgan, aged 15, and Fred Wise, aged about 15, were severely burned and lacerated by a premature explosion.

The boys were loading the pipe with gunpowder at about ten o'clock, when a piece of burning fire cracker or other explosive flew into the powder, exploding it. Young Daniels' foot was struck by a piece of the pipe and badly but not seriously lacerated. Walter Morgan was burned about the face and neck. Fred Wise was lacerated and burned on one of his hands. Others nearby escaped injury. It was rumored that one of the boys would likely use the use of one of his eyes. This was found on investigation, however, to be untrue.

These so far as have been reported are the only injuries sustained in the noisy welcome given the New Year. At the hour of midnight pandemonium broke loose all over town. Whistles blew, bells rang, and revolvers, shot guns and other firearms and explosives were fired. Before the noise of the reports died away showers of shot fell on many residences, but fortunately no one appears to have been injured.

## FIRST DAY OF NEW YEAR FINDS COLLECTIONS BRISK

The first day of the New Year brought many to the county and city tax collector's offices to pay taxes. At the close of business last night collections at the city office were slightly above last year; at the county tax collector's office they were about \$12,000 short of the previous year, due to the failure of some of the railroads to pay their taxes in December, as they did in the previous year.

Total collections at the county office were \$14,162.10, of which \$11,513 was collected during December. Polls paid numbered 167.

Last year the total number of polls paid was 3,900. It is expected that this year's total will fall short of this number, as there are no important elections in sight this year. The total charged against the county tax assessor this year is \$192,166.46, of which \$84,487.79 is for the state, the remainder being for the county.

## EMPEROR WILLIAMS' NEW YEAR'S MESSAGE

By Associated Press.  
Berlin, January 1.—Emperor Wilhelm in a New Year's message to the army and navy made public today says:

"Brilliant victories have been gained by the German army almost everywhere on the territory of the enemy. Repeated attempts by our opponents to swarm on German territory have failed. Behind the army and the fleet the entire nation stands in unexampled harmony prepared to sacrifice its heart's blood for the sacred cause which we are defending against outrageous invasion. Next to God's wise guidance I trust to the matchless bravery of the army and navy and know myself to be one with the entire German nation. Therefore let us face the New Year unflinchingly looking forward to new deeds and new victories for our fatherland. (Signed) Wilhelm."



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## SAM DURKEE'S GIRL

By O. HENRY.

Sam Durkee had a girl. Her name was Ella Baynes. They appeared to be devoted to each other, and to have perfect confidence in each other, as all couples do who are and have or aren't and haven't. She was tolerably pretty, with a heavy mass of brown hair that helped her along. He introduced me to her, which seemed not to lessen her preference for him; so I reasoned that they were surely soul-mates.

Miss Baynes lived in Kingsfisher, 20 miles from the ranch. Sam lived on a gallop between the two places. One day there came to Kingsfisher a courageous young man, rather small, with smooth face and regular features. He made many inquiries about the business of the town, and especially of the inhabitants cognominally. He said he was from Muscogee, and he looked in for a hand. I met him once when I rode in for the mail. He said his name was Beverly Traverser, which seemed rather improbable.

One day, when I was messenger for half a gross of cigarette-papers and a couple of wagon-tires, I saw the alleged Beverly Traverser in a yellow-wheeled buggy with Ella Baynes, driving about town as ostentatiously as the black, waxy mud would permit. I knew that this information would bring no harm of Gilead to Sam's soul, so I refrained from including it in the news of the city that I retailed on my return. But on the next afternoon an elongated ex-cowboy of the name of Simmons, an old-time pal of Sam's, who kept a feed store in Kingsfisher, rode out to the ranch and rolled and burned many cigarettes before he would talk. When he did make oration, his words were these:

"Say, Sam, there's been a description of a galoot miscallin' himself Bevel-edged Traverser impairing the atmospheric air of Kingsfisher for the past two weeks. You know who he was? He was not otherwise than Ben Tatum, from the Creek Nation, son of old Gopher Tatum that your Uncle Newt shot last February. You know



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what he done this morning? He killed your brother Lester—shot him in the co-house yard."

I wondered if Sam had heard. He pulled a twig from a mesquit-bush, chewed it gravely, and said: "He did, did he? He killed Lester?"

"The same," said Simmons. "And he did more. He run away with your girl, the same as to say Miss Ella Baynes. I though you might like to know, so I rode out to impart the information."

"Lam much obliged, Jim," said Sam, asking the chewed twig from his mouth. "Yes, I'm glad you rode out. Yes, I'm right glad."

"Well, I'll be ridin' back, I reckon. That boy I left in the feed store don't snow hay from oats. He shot Lester in the back."

"Shot him in the back?"

"Yes, while he was hitchin' his horse."

"I'm much obliged, Jim."

"I kind of thought you'd like to know as soon as you could."

"Simmons rolled a cigarette and stabbed his pony with both heels. Twenty yards away he reined up and called back:

"You don't want no assistance, as you might say?"

"Not any, thanks."

"I didn't think you would. Well, so long!"

Sam took out and opened a bone-handled pocket knife and scraped a dried piece of mud from his left boot. I thought at first he was going to swear a fondetta on the blade of it, or recite "The Gipsy Curse." The few words I had ever seen or read about usually opened that way. This one seemed to be presented with a new treatment. This offered on the stage, it would have been hissed off and one of Delaseo's thrilling melodramas demanded instead.

"I wonder," said Sam, with a profoundly thoughtful expression, "if the cook has any cold beans left over?"

He called Wash, the negro cook, and finding that he had some, ordered him to heat up the pot and make some strong coffee. Then we went into Sam's private room, where he slept and kept his armory, dogs, and the saddles of his favorite mounts. He took three or four six-shooters out of a

bookcase and began to look them over, whistling "The Cowboy's Lament" abstractedly. Afterward he ordered the best two horses on the ranch saddled and tied to the hitching-post.

Now in the fuel business, in all sections of the country, I have observed that in one particular there is a delicate but strict etiquette belonging. You must not mention the word or refer to the subject in the presence of a feudist. It would be more reprehensible than commenting upon the mole on the chin of your rich aunt. I found, later on, that there is another unwritten rule, but I think that belongs solely to the West.

I yet lacked two hours to supper-time; but in 20 minutes Sam and I were plunging deep into the reheated beans 'ot coffee and cold beef.

"Nothing like a good meal before a long ride," said Sam. "Eat hearty. I had a sudden suspicion."

"Why did you have two horses saddled?" I asked.

"One, two—one, two," said Sam. "You can count, can't you?"

His mathematics carried with it a momentary qualm and a lesson. The thought had not occurred to him that he thought could possibly occur to me not to ride at his side on the red road to revenge and justice. It was the higher calculus. I was booked for the trail. I began to eat more beans.

In an hour we set forth at a steady gallop eastward. Our horses were Kentucky bred, strengthened by the mesquit grass of the West. Ben Tatum's steeds many have been swifter, and he had a good lead; but if he had heard the punctual thuds of the hoofs of those trailers of ours born in the heart of feudland, he might have felt that retribution was creeping up on the hoof-prints of his dapper page.

Our first sight of them we had in Guthrie.

"What are you waiting for, Sam?" I said in a whisper. "Let him have it now!"

Sam gave a melancholy sigh.

"You don't understand; but he does," he said. "He knows. Mr. Tenderfoot, there's rule out here among white men in the Nation that you can't shoot a man when he's with a woman. I never knew it to be broke yet. You can't do it. You've got to get him in a gang of men or by himself. That's why. He knows it, too. We all know. So, that's Mr. Ben Tatum! One of the 'pretty men.' I'll cut him out of the hair before they leave the hotel and regulate his account!"

After supper the flying pair disappeared quickly. Although Sam haunted lobby and stairway and halls half the night, in some mysterious way the fugitives eluded him; and in the morning the veiled lady in the brown dress with the accordion-plaited skirt and the dapper young man with the close-clipped hair and the buckboard with the prancing nags, were gone.

Five miles farther we came upon the future great western city of Chandler. The horses of pursuers and pursued were starved and weary. There was one hotel that offered coffee to man and entertainment to beast; so the four of us met again in the dining room at the ringing of a bell so resonant and large that it had cracked the welkin long ago. The dining room was not as large as the one at Guthrie.

Just as we were eating apple pie—how Ben Davison and tragedy impinged upon each other—I noticed Sam looking with keen intellifness at our quarry where they were seated at a table across the room. The girl still wore the brown dress with lace collar and cuffs and the veil drawn down to her nose. The man bent over his plate with his close-cropped head held low.

"There's a codd," I heard Sam say, either to me or to himself, "that won't let you shoot a man in the company of a woman; but, by thunder, there ain't one to keep you from killing a woman in the company of a man!"

And, quicker than my mind could follow his argument, he whipped a Colt's automatic from under his left arm and pumped six bullets into the body that the brown dress covered—the brown dress with the lace collar and cuffs and the accordion-plaited skirt.

The young person in the dark sack suit, from whose head and from whose life a woman's glory had been clipped, laid her head on her arms stretched upon the table, while people came running to raise Ben Tatum from the floor in his feminine masquerade that had given Sam the opportunity to act aside, technically, the obligations of the code.

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He Had to Explain.

I am a dentist and one night the boys had asked me to "sit in a little game." I told them to telephone me and say that Mr. Johnson wanted me to come at once and pull some teeth.

At 7:30 the telephone call came and I said: "Yes, Mr. Johnson, I'll be right down."

"Of course," I told my wife. "I am sorry to leave you alone, but business is business." I returned at 1 a. m.

Next morning my wife asked: "Where is your dirty handkerchief? I must send the washing away today."

I told her that it was in my pocket. "In a few minutes she came back with some white, red and blue poker chips in her hand, which I had dropped in my pocket the night before and forgotten. Sweetly she asked: "Are these Mr. Johnson's teeth?"

That was my most embarrassing moment.—Chicago Tribune.

On the Sea.

"For goodness' sake, captain, don't let that man sing!" "Why not?" "The passengers will think you are sounding the fog horn."

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Jones Kennedy Largest Individual Loss—Total of 24,450 Feet of Hose Laid

Wichita Falls fire losses in 1914 were reduced to \$37,268.66 compared with \$91,960 in 1913. In the foregoing figures the totals are made up of estimates furnished by the owners following the fires. It is believed that the figures for the losses paid by the fire insurance companies would be much lower.

Property to the value of \$332,029 was involved in the fires, according to figures compiled by Fire Chief J. L. McClure and record is considered remarkable both in the small amount of fire losses and the small ratio of loss to the value of the property involved.

Chief McClure's records show that the department responded to 63 alarms in 1914 compared with 72 in 1913.

The department was out a total of 26 hours and 45 minutes and laid a total of 24,450 feet of hose.

Lower Rates Expected.

The biggest fire loss of the year was the fire at Jones-Kennedy's store in this—the estimated loss was \$3,000 on the stock and \$1,900 on the building. The next largest estimated loss was the May-Thomas Produce Co., the loss on the stock being estimated at \$7,000 and on the building \$1,000.

The department is now made up of four paid men and twelve volunteers. When the new fire station is completed it is planned to add another paid member to the force. The good record in small fire losses, improved equipment at the water station, and the purchase of the new auto fire engine are expected to result in a reduction in the insurance key rate. A representative from the state fire

marshal's office has been expected here for the past ten days for an inspection with a view of securing a reduced rate.

Keeping Premises Clean.

Chief McClure who is ex-officio fire marshal has spent much time and effort during the past year in an attempt to keep the back yards and alleys in the business district cleaned up. In some cities rubbish and boxes and paper piled at the back doors of business houses has been a prolific source of fires.

Notice in Bankruptcy

In the District Court of the United States, for the Northern District of Texas, in the matter of Electra Clothing Co., N. Sherman, No. 759 in Bankruptcy, Bankrupt.

Bankrupt's petition for discharge, filed 14th day of December, 1914, and order thereon, N. Sherman of Electra, in the County of Wichita, and State of Texas, in said District respectfully represents that on the 9th day of May, 1914, A. D., he was duly adjudged bankrupt under the Acts of Congress, relating to bankruptcy, that he has duly surrendered all his property and rights of property and has fully complied with all the requirements of said acts and of the orders of the Court touching his bankruptcy.

Wherefore he prays that he may be discharged from all his debts provable against his estate under said bankrupt acts, except such debts as are especially excepted by law from such discharge, individually and as member of firm, Electra Clothing Co.

Duly verified on the 12th day of December, 1914.

(Signed) NICHOLAS SHERMAN, Bankrupt.

Considering the above petition, it is ordered that any creditor who has interest desiring to oppose the said discharge as prayed for in above petition shall, on or before the 30th day of January, 1915, file with the undersigned Referee at Fort Worth, Texas, notice in writing of their opposition to such discharge, and after filing opposition, specification thereunder shall be filed with the Referee within ten days from the said date of filing.

Given this 25th day of December, 1914.

W. B. PADDOCK, Referee in Bankruptcy.

**CITY IS LANDLORD OF SEVEN HOUSES**

WILL HAVE COTTAGES FROM SEVEN SISTERS PARK TRACT

ARE TO BE MOVED SHORTLY

Too Good to be Demolished and City's Vacant Property Will be Used for Them

The city of Wichita Falls is going into the real estate and rental business. The houses on the seven sisters' block, which is soon to come into the hands of the city's lots on Seventh street, near Holliday, and fitted up for renting. That the city intends to be the right sort of a landlord was indicated in the discussion of plans at the meeting of the city council last night for extending sewer, so as to serve these houses when they are moved.

It is expected that a contract for the purchase of the site will be closed within the next few days. Bids have been asked from house movers Monday for moving these houses.

The innovation of the city becoming a landlord doesn't mean that the city council has become converted to socialistic doctrine, but the houses were too good to be demolished and the city had vacant lots and it was decided that the houses could be moved and rented out at a profit.

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TODAY. But why look back for treasures? Many a star was undiscovered once. Our choicest good was erst an unseen angel; long she stood So near we knew not and esteemed it far. For what to her was veil to us was bar. No, not quite that moment, rich but dumb Of friendship's troth the sum.

We tread the same path toward it; we but hear The inland tide to know the ocean near. 'Tis to the future, not the past, must be Your staunch loyalty. —Clipped.

NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY GIVEN BY MISS HUEY

Miss Beatrice Huey entertained New Year's Eve with a party. Music both vocal and instrumental, and dancing were the diversions with which the guests whiled away the time until the New Year could be noisily welcomed. At a late hour hot chocolate, cake and fruit were served by the hostess' mother, Mrs. Valentine, and sister, Mrs. Arledge. Those present were: Misses Lena, Mattie and Annie Humphreys, Sarah and Essie Allen, Clara Belle Warnick, Jewell Hughes, Mesdames A. B. Taber, Arledge and Valentine, Messrs. Richard Hagler, Clifford Davis, Homer Humphreys, Simon Shipley, Earl Chancellor, Earl Weaver, Leon Walkup, Mart Walkup, Lewis Carrington, Carl Walkup, Major McClure, W. B. Reeves, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Hudson and Mr. and Mrs. Alston.

KNIGHTS AND LADIES OF HONOR ENTERTAIN

The Knights and Ladies of Honor enjoyed a pleasant party Thursday evening, held at the home of Mrs. and Mrs. V. E. Stumpf. A short program was rendered early in the evening and enjoyable musical numbers and interesting readings given, and a contest was held. The ladies prize, a bottle of perfume, went to Miss Elsie Cohen, while E. P. Haney won the gentlemen's prize, a box of stationery. A turkey supper was served, and the guests, about forty in number, stayed to bid the old year farewell and greet the new year.

MISS HELEN HINES HOSTESS THURSDAY MORNING

Numbered among the pleasant social affairs for the week of the younger set was the morning hospitality of Miss Helen Hines Thursday. Three tables of players engaged in the game of Forty-Two for some time, and was also enjoyed. The servern of the morning, a box of candy, was cut for Miss Helen Stone being fortunate. A twelve o'clock luncheon course was served, the menu consisting of sandwiches, pickles, coffee with whipped cream and fruit cake. Those enjoying Miss Hines' hospitality were Misses Bernice Jackson, Pauline Richards, Leona Robinson, Fort Worth, Dorothy Beavers, Pauline Mears, Helen Stone, Audrey Addicks, Lillian Hill of Comanche, Lillian Palm, Ruby Moore, Celia Stayton, Lillian Bell, Inez Geary.

MR. AND MRS. RHEA HOWARD ENTERTAIN THURSDAY EVENING

Mr. and Mrs. Rhea Howard entertained a few friends informally Thursday evening at their home on Kemp Boulevard. The library and dining room were attractively decorated with Christmas bells and festoons of red and green, the score cards being prettily tinted emblems of the Christmas season. "Hearts" was the game played by four tables, the players being entertained with Victrola selections during the progress of the game. Late in the evening a delicious salad was served with salsento sandwiches, olive coffee and fruit cake. Mr. and Mrs. Howard's guests were: Messrs. and Mesdames Jack Shelton, John Chambers, Lester Jones, Oral Jones, Jason Walker, Misses Kathleen and Annette Goffield, Pauline Mears, Mrs. McAnany and Overton McHowell.

YOUNG PEOPLE ENTERTAINED AT KEMP HOME NEW YEAR'S

Miss Kemp and Miss Bertha Mac Kemp entertained New Year's Eve with an informal dance. The holiday spirit was manifest in the decorations combining Christmas and New Year's and the order of dances was kept in attractive programs of New Year's design. The dancing continued until midnight, the old year ending merrily and the new year began quite as happily with ice cream and cake was served at midnight. The Old Maids and Little Sisters and their escorts made up the guest list.

SEW SO CLUB MEETS WITH MRS. BERNARD MARTIN

Tuesday afternoon Mrs. Bernard Martin was hostess to the regular session of the Sew So Club. Sewing and chatting helped the afternoon to pass away pleasantly and the hostess served a delicious and attractive salad course. The guests present were: Mesdames J. H. Martin, Frazier and Chauncey, club members being Mesdames Baggett, P. A. Martin, Nicholson, Fitzgerald, Urban, Naylor, Jamison and the hostess.

HEART PARTY FOR MISS HAWLEY THURSDAY AFTERNOON

In compliment to her cousin, Miss Evelyn Hawley of Louisville, Ky., Miss Grace Nolen entertained very delightfully Thursday afternoon at the West land hotel. Miss Hawley, who was a

visitor here last winter, was pleasantly remembered as a most charming girl and the hospitality extended to a number of young ladies and a few of the season's brides afforded an opportunity for renewing the friendship of last season. Assisting Miss Nolen were her mother and Mrs. Wylie Wyatt and Miss Wyatt. Stationed in the alcove at the entrance of the dining room Mrs. Grayson and Miss Delphine Wyatt dispensed a refreshing cup of punch, serving from a table festooned with hearts. In the spacious dining room tables were placed for the game of the afternoon, "Hearts," and the chosen game gave also the idea for the decorative scheme carried out. Long festoons of red hearts were caught at intervals along the walls and were used for a ceiling-decoration also and here and there a bright Christmas bell or a bit of greenery sounded the note of the holiday season. The various tables were marked with hearts and the score cards were in keeping with the general motif. Score was marked by the two younger sisters of the hostess, Misses Ruth and Dorothy, both daintily attired in white frocks with a bit of color in hair bows and sashes. The high score trophy, a linen dresser scarf with handsome checked border, went to Mrs. W. W. Gardner. Miss Bertha Mae Kemp scored low, receiving a picture. On the completion of the game a luncheon plate was served, consisting of tunny salad, olives, tea and sandwiches and mints.

Miss Hawley, the honor guest, wore an attractive afternoon frock of grey accented with pleated charmeuse, with bodice of net embroidered in silver and ostrich trimmed. A large black velvet picture hat, trimmed with bird feathers, was worn and a corsage of cluster of violets gave an effective color note.

The guest list included Misses Lillian Avis, Kathleen Blair, Genevieve and Eddie Carvie, Ann Carrigan, Alice Burnside, Ethel Frieze, Mabel Thompson, Della Stone, Bertha Mae Kemp, Jewell Kemp, Tula Stokes, Kathleen Stonecipher, Mary Orth, Agnes Reid, Ann Freear, Kathryn Hindman, Guy Harding of Amarillo, Orvets Wyatt, Beas Kell, Hazel Hunter, Emma Smith, Theresa Smith, Temple Thompson, Ola Mose, Hamilton Louise Bullitt, Pauline Mears, Lillian M. Gregor, Inez Geary, Mesdames Woodruff, Edgar Stewart, Ben Bell, W. W. Gardner, Nace Clifford, Grayson, W. Little, Earl Clayton and Bert Brainerd.

MRS. ROBERTSON ENTERTAINS HOUSE PARTY THURSDAY

In honor of her house party Mrs. W. Robertson, 1610 Eleventh, entertained Thursday afternoon with an automobile ride over the city with a visit to the movie theatres as a climax. A turkey dinner was served at six o'clock and the evening was spent with music and dancing, the guests remaining to dance the old year out and to welcome the new. The house party personnel follows: Mrs. L. A. Stone of Greenville, Miss Opal Armstrong of Ada, Oklahoma, Mr. and Mrs. Robertson of Dallas, Miss Margaret Robertson, and Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Robertson.

MR. AND MRS. GARDNER

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Gardner were host and hostess at an informal dinner Tuesday evening. Covers were laid for six on the perfectly appointed table, which was graced by a miniature Christmas tree for the central ornament with lights and strings with various colored electric lights, thus providing a very attractive and seasonable centerpiece. Hand painted cards marked covers for Mr. and Mrs. Nace Clifford, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Priddy and Mr. and Mrs. Gardner. Following the dinner a theatre party for the "Winning of Barbara Worth" was made up by the guests.

Card Wasn't Necessary.

Senator William A. Smith of Michigan smiled the other evening when the conversation turned to the bad breaks occasionally made by servants. He said he was reminded of a maid named Norah.

One afternoon two women stopped at the home of a distant relative. Norah answered the ring at the door and requested the callers to take seats until she ascertained whether her mistress was in.

"I am very sorry," announced Norah, coming down stairs a minute later, "but Mrs. Jones has gone out and is not expected back until after dinner."

"What a pity I have forgotten my cards," remarked one of the callers fumbling in her satchel. "I will have to write my name on one of yours, Jenny."

"It won't be necessary, ma'am," thoughtlessly broke in Norah. "I told my mistress who you are." —Philadelphia Telegraph.

America's Mineral Resources.

Mineral production in the United States now reaches a grand total of \$2,500,000,000 a year, according to statistics gathered by Wall Street Journal. No other country of the world makes anything like so large a contribution to its mineral wealth. The director of the geological survey estimates that this country mines 40 per cent of the world's output of coal and 65 per cent of the petroleum. Of the more essential metals 40 per cent of the world's production of iron comes from American mines. Our smelters furnish 55 per cent of the copper and at least 55 per cent of its lead and zinc. In no respect will the European war probably bring more advantage to the United States than by forcing home to us the possibilities of providing for our own needs instead of depending on foreign sources for much of our mineral elements essential to industry.

WAS IN WAR ZONE WHEN FIGHT BEGAN

WICHITA VISITOR TELLS OF EXPERIENCES IN BELGIUM

BELIEVES BIG FORTS DOOMED

Says England Considers Bryan the World's Greatest Statesman in Present Crisis

Men and guns are the things that count; expenditures on defensive fortifications are a waste of money, is the belief of Dr. J. L. Holyman of Franklin, Neb., who is the guest of his brother-in-law, Jas. E. Kelly of this city. Dr. Holyman saw the great fortifications at Liege, Namur and Antwerp only a few days before they were levelled by the big German siege guns and says that they seemed impregnable and that one looking at them could not have believed they could ever have been reduced by an attacking force. No one dreamed, he says, that they could be taken in so short a time except possibly the German general staff and Dr. Holyman believes that the results must have surprised even the German generals.

Dr. Holyman was in Brussels when the war broke out. He was the delegate from the State of Iowa to the World's Congress of Veterinarians at London, and was one of a numerous party making a tour of Germany, France, Belgium and Holland when the outbreak of the war cut short their trip. Their tour had taken them to Antwerp, Liege, Namur, Rheims, Charleroi, Paris, Cologne and most of the territory that has been the scene of war operations in the eastern theatre.

Through Beautiful Country. The trip was at Brussels on their way to Holland for a further tour of that country and an excursion into Germany when the German attack on Liege brought their plans to a sudden check and turned the efforts of all-Americans to an attempt to get back home. Before he got back home Dr. Holyman saw three nations, Belgium, Holland and England in arms and experienced all the inconveniences and trials that can come to a man away from home in a country that is mobilizing for war.

"As we traveled through the beautiful and fertile country on the German-Belgian frontier and through the park like country in Northern France which was so soon to feel the ruthless heel of the invader and whose architectural beauties were to be scarred and demolished with a hail of lead and steel and seared and marked with flame, we saw no indication of the impending conflagration," he said. "Everywhere in town and in country there was peace and in the fields of surpassing fertility crops that astounded even an Iowa were ready for the harvest. Almost in a twinkling the scene was changed to that of fevered hurry in the mobilization of troops and equipment."

First Signs of Trouble. "The first signs of trouble we saw in Brussels when officials began to requisition the horses which pulled the country man's cart of produce to the market place. The day before the declaration of war by Belgium it was no uncommon thing to see an officer on horse back, up to a horse and saddle, and after a quick examination of the horse, order him unhitched and give a check to its present owner. The average Belgian was much too busy attending to his own affairs to get excited even about this unusual procedure and the calmness of the people disarmed any uneasiness members of the party might have felt. But the next day when war was declared by mobilization orders were issued things were altogether different. Our party which had been wine and dined by high state and civil officials were completely forgotten and we were lost and forgotten in the hurry and bustle of confusion."

Army Dogs Wonderful. "Except for the movements of the men themselves in the mobilization the things that interested me most were the army dogs. Of all that has been written about this feature of the Belgian army the half that has not been told about their wonderful intelligence and training. We saw thousands of these dogs pulling gun carriages. One pair of dogs pulled machine guns and small field pieces weighing as much as 800 pounds.

"Later in Holland we saw army dogs there and still later in England we saw dogs in army service and being trained for service. For the first time in my life I think I appreciated to some extent what mankind owes his trust friend. In Belgium as soon as the horses were seized for the army the dogs took their places pulling the carts of the farmers."

Plenty of Cash But Broke. From Brussels Dr. Holyman's party made their way to Amsterdam as best they could, and finally to Rotterdam; thence to the Hook of Holland, where they finally secured a boat for England. The steam and iron of refugees at Brussels was so great at Brussels when Dr. Holyman left that he was three hours in moving a car length at the station to reach the door of his compartment. After many adventures Dr. Holyman finally reached London and was several days trying to buy something to eat and a cigar with a \$50 American bank note. A friend who had succeeded in getting hold of two pounds English gold divided with him, and he used his pound in bribing a gate keeper to let him through to the office of the Great Eastern Railway, which had advertised that it would cash American money up to three pounds. He got three pounds with which he was able to get along until things grew easier. His hotel was within a block of Buckingham place and he saw the King and Queen come onto the balcony the night war was declared and great crowds

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Flag is Respected.

Dr. Holyman was detained in London about twelve days before he finally succeeded in getting passage for America. The ship, he said, sailed a northern route, passing fields of icebergs in order to evade the German warships which haunted the usual routes of navigation. He was landed at St. John's New Foundland, and went by rail to Montreal and thence into the United States.

Dr. Holyman got some gray hairs on the trip, but now that it is all over, he considers it one of the greatest things of his life. He left the United States without a passport.

"If I ever leave this country again you can bet I'm going to carry a passport and another thing that I am going to do is to carry a United States flag in my vest pocket. Some people may tell you that an American's rights aren't respected abroad. I tell you that an American is the most respected man in the world."

Europe's Estimate of Bryan.

He says that while many Englishmen express the opinion that the allies are fighting for the United States as well as themselves, none desire to see the United States drawn into the fight on one side or the other.

"One thing that I found out that will no doubt surprise you," he said, "is that in France and Belgium particularly Bryan is considered the greatest statesman of the present day. This is a view I found to prevail among the most intelligent. When I told them that many in America would dissent from this view they would exclaim 'you may not think so now, but Bryan's day of fame will come when the histories are written. Bryan's democratic views and his efforts toward peace coming just as they did before Europe was engulfed in the catastrophe of war have much to do with this feeling, but I heard this estimate expressed in Paris more than once before the war broke out. President Wilson is no less admired. Wilson and Bryan are the commanding world figures today. Millions are looking to them and to this country with prayerful hope."

England's Determination. Like other observers Dr. Holyman was deeply impressed with the quiet determination of the English people.

"The Kaiser is the man that is named in England for the whole trouble," he said. "The Englishmen have raved up their minds that Germany has started it and that England must see the war through. No one in England doubts for a moment that the allies will not be victorious in the end, but the tears in the eyes of the chambermaid at my hotel, the waiting room girl who had taken the place of the Frenchman who had been called to colors by his own country and the sober faces that one saw everywhere were evidences that the English people appreciated to some extent what the cost would be."

The hope of some Englishmen that Germany will be starved into defeat Dr. Holyman does not share. In his brief excursion into Germany he saw bountiful crops ready for the harvest. These the Germans have been able to harvest, as well as to harvest crops in territory they have occupied in Belgium and northern France. Women will take the places of men in the factories and in the field, he says, and produce almost as much next season as he believes. He thinks, however, that unless the Germans win decisive victories soon the allies will be able to overwhelm them by numbers, but in that case several years may be required to end the war.

Where Germany Failed. "The campaign reached its highest tide in the rush on Paris," he said. "If the Germans had captured Paris the French would have been crushed and England paralyzed before she could have got her troops into motion. Germany could have gotten favorable terms of peace then. When Germany failed to take Paris, and her forces were pushed back, giving England a chance to get her army into the field, Germany's chances began to diminish. The longer the war lasts without a decisive engagement and victory for the Germans, the less her chances seem for winning in the end."

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New Year's Resolutions

We make them and we break them but there is one resolution that we should make and keep and that is to trade at home. Every merchant and business man living in the city of Wichita Falls is dependent upon you for patronage. Without you they could not exist. Without them you could not have the fine city that you do. In trading at home, however, you must demand equal values, dollar for dollar, that you would get in Dallas or St. Louis. With a fair comparison I will guarantee you are getting that for should for the business men of your city can buy just as cheap in Eastern markets as Dallas men can and the business man here can operate with much less expense than the big city house does. Now the holiday season is over. Many of you received photographs from friends at a distance. It is up to you to reciprocate in kind. We can assure you just as fine work in our studio as you can get in Dallas or Fort Worth and we do not have the heavy operating expense the city studios have, consequently we divide the profits with you. Give us a trial. We will convince you and when you succeed we will all be happy. Call and see us. It costs you nothing. The photos of your friends speak for themselves. Remember the place. J. M. HAVIS The Portrait Man 710 1/2 Indiana Ave.

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Local News Brevities

Stockholders' Meeting. Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of stockholders of The Times Publishing Company will be held at its office, corner Seventh street and Scott avenue, Wichita Falls, Texas, on Friday, January 1st, at 10 a. m. for the purpose of electing a board of directors and the transaction of such other business as might properly be brought before them. ED HOWARD, President. G. D. ANDERSON, Secretary. 83 1f c

Kimball & Kenneth, specialty. "Hi-ram Green." Illustrated slide song. Lydia Margaret tonight. 200 1f c

Fancy Eggplant, Celery and Lettuce for Saturday. Trevathan's Cash Grocery. 200 1f c

Auction sale of Jewelry, Diamonds, Cut Glass and Silverware at Fonville's every day at 2 and 7 p. m. 200 1f c

Morgan Feed Co. deliver all kinds of feed to any and all parts of the city. Phone 1793, 1160 Ohio. 95 1f c

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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 1f c

After an unusually heavy business during the few days about Christmas there has been a marked dropping off in the number of police court cases. Yesterday there were only four cases and this morning the same number. New Year resolutions are expected to further decrease police court business at least for several days.

The Imperial Auto Sales Co. is showing today the new eight-cylinder Cadillac, the first to be seen in this city. 200 1f c

Regular 25c Bananas and Lemons only 20c per dozen for tomorrow. Trevathan's Cash Grocery. 200 1f c

Dr. Prothro, dentist, Ward Bldg. Eighth street. 60 1f c

The Wichita Quartette will sing "Zudora" at the Empress tonight. A beautiful song adapted from the motion picture story. 200 1f c

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Seats for the ladies at Fonville's Auction Sale of Jewelry every day at 2 and 7 p. m. Come early and secure the best selections. 200 1f c

"Human Hearts," King Baggott featured at the Lydia Margaret today in a three-reel feature. "Human Hearts." 200 1f c

Real Estate Transfers. R. M. Paine to J. A. Duke, block 11, Iowa Park; \$500. L. A. Pierson to W. T. Willis and A. L. Fowler, an undivided one-fourth interest in 65-14 acres, block 37, Red River Valley lands; \$325.

Notice to Stockholders. The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Wichita Falls Sash 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 10t c

G. D. ANDERSON, Sec.

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Spend your New Year's Evening at the Empress. See some splendid pictures and hear the Wichita Quartette. 200 1f c

News has been received here of the marriage of Daniel Anthony of this city to Miss Maud Gray of Frederick. The ceremony took place at Frederick.

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Notice—W. O. W. Regular meeting and installation of officers Friday, January 1st at 8 p. m. All Woodmen are invited. J. T. Young, Clerk. 99 21 p

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Notice to Savings Depositors. We are today crediting the usual four per cent semi-annual interest on all savings accounts. Please present pass books for the proper entry of same. First State Bank and Trust Co. 99 21 c

See the new eight-cylinder Cadillac at the Imperial Auto Sales Co. 200 1f c

Will Spencer, a negro, is under \$300 bond on a charge of assault with intent to murder. Spencer unlimbered a smoke wagon in a crowd of negroes a few days ago and proceeded to shoot things up a bit. Spencer told the off.

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cars that he fired into the ground only to see what the other negroes, who had been boasting about their deeds of valor, would do. Even though he is under bond under a serious complaint he can't talk about the incident yet without breaking out into laughter. One negro is reported to have torn down several rods of fence in getting away from the scene.

Dimes, Nickels and Pennies that you allow 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 1f c

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In the suit of Carithers vs Henson in the county court the jury returned a verdict for the plaintiff assessing his damages at \$175. The suit resulted from the killing of a thoroughbred colt by the defendant's automobile. The case of J. H. Linn vs the Fort Worth and Denver railway is now on trial. The plaintiff is suing for damages from an overflow alleged to have been caused by the defendant company's railroad-track grade.

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Are you attending the Jewelry Auction at Fonville's? You can say anything from this stock at your own price. 200 1f c

Dr. Holding, dentist, office 206 Kemp & Kell Bldg. Phone 206. 51 1f c

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 1f c

See King Baggott in "Human Hearts" tonight. Lydia Margaret. 200 1f c

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Church of Christ, on Bluff street, between Eleventh and Twelfth: Bible school at 2:30. Lord's Day worship, 11. A very cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend these services.

Elders of the Church of Christ. The New Year brought to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hawks, 2305 Ninth street, this morning a ten pound boy.

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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 1f c

W. W. GARDNER, Cashier.

Don't fail to hear "Zudora" by the Wichita Quartette at the Empress tonight. 200 1f c

STABBING AFFRAY FATAL TO NEGRO AT PADUCAH Paducah, Texas, Jan. 1.—Wilson Carroll, a negro, died here as a result of being stabbed Monday night by another negro. Both negroes had been here during the fall working for the Fickett brothers, who live in the south part of the county. The negroes had a quarrel Monday afternoon, but had agreed to let the matter drop. That night after Carroll went to bed the other negro slipped into his tent, stabbed him in several places and completely laid his bowels open with a gash running from the point of the right ribs across the chest to the right hip bone. Up to this date the officers have been unable to find the negro who did the killing.

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Here is a significant little story I tell you for future guidance, so that you may realize that you are not alone in suffering the inexplicable humors of the telephone service. A very busy man I know was trying hard to telephone from a big hotel the other day. Of course he couldn't get the number he wanted for a long time, and when at last he did get through the telephone humors promptly connected an incoming call with his line.

Then followed the usual "Please get off the line" dialogue, but my friend found that the incoming caller was a very pompous lady who wouldn't give way. "I won't get off the line. I won't ring off," she said peevishly. "You're the 'Metroritis' aren't you? Then take this message at once." My friend was helpless. It was of the greatest importance that he should get back to his original call, so he let the peevish lady talk.

She dictated an order for a special dinner for 12 guests that night. She specialized the table, ordered about two hundred and fifty dollars' worth of flowers to decorate it, insisted on certain waiters attending, and finished up by sharply reprimanding the man at the hotel end for negligence and impertinence. Then she rang off. My friend got through again to his office. Now, what he wants to know, and what I want to know, is what the pompous lady said when she arrived at the "Metroritis" that night and asked for her table.—London Mirror.

HAD CAUSE FOR INDIGNATION

Protest of Chinese Over Proposed "Exhibition" in England Seems to Have Been Justified.

The Chinese Review, a highly interesting London publication edited by two Chinamen, makes the following comment on the bigoted attitude exhibited in the West against everything Chinese:

"In the year of grace 1912 the honorable and high-minded promoters of the Anglo-Japanese exhibition decided to add a touch of Chinese color to the great display at Shepherd's Bush. A scheme was forthwith proposed, and widely advertised in the press, to install a typical opium den within the exhibition grounds, and attempts were made to hire Chinese sailors from the East end to play the part of opium sots and exhibit to the West in realistic detail, all the disgusting particulars associated with opium smoking.

"Suppose the tables be turned. Imagine the promoters of a Chinese exhibition proposing to represent Great Britain by setting up the model of a low-class drinking shop, and engaging Britishers to act the role of besotted drunkards. In place of the mild protest raised by the Chinese students, Great Britain would probably have sent a fleet of warships to demand reparation for the national insult."

In the whole range of China's past and present, asks this Chinese editor, is there nothing worthy of notice and representation except an opium den?

He Agreed Unanimously.

Senator Simmons, of North Carolina, tells this story of a lynching: "The festivities were at their height, and the object of the mob's vengeance was hanging to the limb of a tree with a fire built under him. The leader of the mob detected an ancient negro hidden in the nearby bushes and dragged him out. The trembling captive was brought close enough to see the gruesome sight, and the leader of the mob asked:

"Now, nigger, you-all see that black man swingin' up there?"

"Oh, yas, sah, 'deed I do, sah!" cried the negro.

"An' you-all know why we done that?" queried the leader.

"Oh, yas, sah," said the colored man.

"He got just what he deserved didn't he?"

"Boss," replied the old negro, "pears to me, sah, dat he got off mighty light."—Illustrated Sunday Magazine.

Ozokerite in America.

One of the products of petroleum that has been exported by the United States to a value of between \$9,000,000 and \$10,000,000 during the last three years, is paraffin wax. In spite of these large exports, natural mineral wax (ozokerite) is imported, for the reason that its melting point is very high, and although the paraffin wax from petroleum can be produced with this high melting point, the process is difficult and costly. Ozokerite occurs in considerable quantity in Utah in the region of Soldiers Summit, and has been produced there, but the cost of extracting it from low-grade material, together with the cost of transportation to the market, which is chiefly in the eastern states, has made it possible for the foreign material, which comes from Galicia, to compete with it successfully. The domestic ozokerite should now replace the foreign material.—Bulletin 599, United States Geological Survey.

School of Porpoises Stranded.

A rare phenomenon is now to be observed in Loch Ness, Scotland, where a school of porpoises have got enclosed. They entered from the Moray Firth, when the River Ness was in high flood, and now that the river is almost unprecedently low, even a baby porpoise would find it hard to pass the shallow stretches, while the adults would be hopelessly stranded.

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The Lydia Margaret... The Lydia Margaret, the college boy comedian in his specialty, "Let Him Rave" took yesterday's audiences at this theatre quite by storm by his clever sure fire comedy in his original act. Kimball and Kenneth, vaudeville stage stars, also made a tremendous hit with their delightfully original act. The bill will be repeated today and Saturday. Today's movie offering features King Baggot in "Human Hearts."

The Majestic... Today's program comprises the following pictures: "The Widow's Might," a Kalam drama with Ruth Roland; "A Horse on Sophie," an Essanay comedy, "Butterflies and Orange Blossoms," a Biograph drama, featuring Irene Hawley and "Sweedie, the Trouble Maker," Essanay comedy with Wallace Berry.

The Empress... Fatty Arbuckle is featured in a Keystone and Vivian Rich, Harry Van Meter and William Garwood are seen in a two-part American, "Red Bird Wins." Tomorrow "Our Mutual Girl" will be seen, the picture having been postponed for this week only from Wednesday, the regular day. A synopsis of "Redbird Wins" follows: Colonel James Dinwidy, a Southern gentleman, is the father of a beautiful

daughter, Fern, and the owner of the fastest race horses in Tennessee. A new colt is born on the plantation which Fern names Redbird, and the Colonel has the pedigree certificate made out under that title. Chick Mace and Ray Connors come to Dinwidy's looking up race horses. Hoping to see Redbird's certificate they secretly make a note of it. Two years later, the Colonel has paid poker debts with everything he owns, except Redbird. He decides to make his last bet on the two-year old's first race, and writes Philip Pierpont for a loan of \$100,000, promising that he will give him the horse, win or lose. Pierpont, who is in love with Fern, sends the Colonel the money. Chick Mace and Ray Connors have covered most of the \$100,000. Knowing Redbird's pedigree they realize that he has only a chance of winning the money is to make the animal "logie," so that night they put doped grain into the manger. Pierpont, however, has followed them. He removes the grain—the conspirators being none the wiser. The next day the Colonel's colored jockey is hurt and is unable to enter the race. The start is to be called in fifteen minutes. Fern, who is the only other person who thoroughly understands Redbird, hurries into a jockey costume and rides her father's horse to victory. Faithful to his promise, the Colonel offers Redbird to Pierpont, who replies, "It is not Redbird I want, but your little jockey."

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The Gem... "Gwendolin," a two part Biograph drama is today's feature. Sidney Drew and Jane Morrow are featured in a Vitagraph comedy, "William Henry Jones' courtship." Because of her sister Mabel's sparkling personality, Ivy Smyles, a rather

shy young girl, generally occupies the background in their social affairs. While Mabel is out of town, Ivy is introduced to William Henry Jones, a wealthy young man. He is very heart-sighted and without his glasses almost blind. Ivy foolishly writes Mabel the wealthy Mr. Jones is calling on her. Mabel is furiously jealous and comes home post haste. When Jones sees Mabel, he is dazzled and Ivy is temporarily forgotten. Shortly afterwards Mr. Jones breaks his glasses and when he meets Mabel does not recognize her. She is astounded and decides the man must be intoxicated. Jones goes on to Mabel's home and proposes to Ivy, whom he believes to be Mabel. She is rather confused but gladly consents to their engagement. Mabel arrives home and Ivy ecstatically tells her of her engagement, exhibiting a ring as proof. Mabel is terribly angry. Jones receives Mr. Smyles' consent to marry Mabel and Papa Smyles congratulates her. She insists it is Ivy who is engaged to Jones. Smyles, greatly puzzled, writes Jones a strong letter. Ivy visits her fiance and asks him what it all means. He explains his mistake, but tells her he has decided he really loves her (Ivy) after all. Looking closely at the girl to make sure he is talking to the right one, Jones takes her in his arms and they are soon planning their coming marriage.

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MY RUSE

BY WILL SEAT. WHEN my uncle died the people of Frankfort were all distracted between the conflicting emotions of grief and curiosity. They knew, or thought they knew, my uncle as the richest man by far in the city. Silent, cold and reserved, no one had ever presumed to be his confidential friend. He died without kith or kin of any kind in the world except myself, whom he heartily detested. We had not spoken to each other for years, and both were glad of it. I regarded him as an avaricious, coldly calculating machine—without heart, conscience or human sympathy. He thought of me as an idle, shiftless dreamer with the heart of a poet and the head of a fool. Therefore, when I returned to Frankfort—for I never long remained in the uncongenial home—the inhabitants of that town were properly curious as to whether he would leave his money to his unworthy nephew or to some worthy citizen. After the funeral I was called into a private room, where two men were seated. One of these I recognized as my uncle's lawyer, the other as his banker. Mr. Boles, the lawyer got up and lighted the gas, pulled down the shades and locked all the doors. The banker remained seated, offering no comment; I gazed with fascinated interest from one to the other. Mr. Boles having at last secured the proper privacy seated himself and began: "Mr. Gordon, I have a strange communication to make to you—the strangest that you ever heard. It is concerning your uncle's will. There are three persons on earth, that are to know the contents of this strange bequest, and if you refuse to abide by the provisions enumerated therein you are forbidden ever to speak about it. Do you accept this preliminary requirement?" "I do," I said, without hesitation. "Then, first of all, you must know that your uncle was far richer than any one imagined. He died possessed of almost unlimited wealth, not only so, but many millions. If you accept the terms of his will your letter of credit with Mr. Boles will be unlimited. No check, however small or great, will be unobeyed; your wealth will exceed the dreams of Monte Cristo. If you refuse the terms of the will all his wealth goes to charity."

"Go on," said I nervously. "The provisions of this strange bequest are in brief these: That all of this great fortune is to be yours, to spend in any manner you choose, provided you remain within the corporate limits of Frankfort all ways; and further, that you tell no one of the contents of this bequest." The two men looked at me curiously; I was strangely embarrassed. Never in my wildest imagination had I dreamed of anything like this. "Once more tell me the restrictions that will be placed on me if I accept?" "That you are never to leave the corporate limits of Frankfort, willingly or unwillingly, and that you tell no one of the conditions of the will. The minute you break any one of these requirements the money passes out of your hands." "I accept the terms," I said briefly, and hurried out lest I change my decision. My uncle, I reflected, could have inflicted no greater punishment than that of compelling me to live inside of the city limits of Frankfort, and yet who in the world would not jump at the chance of being absolute monarch and dictator of one of the hustling young American cities, for such would be the case. Though I possessed the contempt of most of the inhabitants that knew me, I did not have an enemy there; and I knew that as soon as unlimited money was mine these people would be fawning sycophants at my feet. The best hotel that the town possessed was the Elks, a three-story building that stood on a prominent corner. It was old in design, rather behind the times and had been enlarged once or twice. Evermore with proper civic pride was sensitive as to the Elks, yet recognized the fact that no one could successfully compete with the landlord, George Graham, in starting a new hostelry, for the reason that competitive building space was too valuable and the price of labor and building material too high to make the investment profitable. As I entered the lobby and advanced to the office I saw Graham himself behind the desk. "Hello, Gordon, want a square meal before you hit the road again? Many a time he had spoken in a similar manner, yet today, without telling him so, I resented it. On the contrary, I am going to stay with you for a time, and shall require a room with a bath, or better yet, a suite."

"Do you want Florida water in your bath?" said he, scarcely hiding a sneer. "I want civil treatment," was my retort. "Our terms are cash in advance," he replied flushing almost purple. When he named a price he thought beyond my means, I pulled out a checkbook and wrote the amount, signed my name and gave it to him. He rang the call bell and as the first boy approached, said: "Here, take this to the bank and see if it is any good." I walked away and several in the crowd that had been drawn together by the sound of our voices tittered. He had drawn first blood. Perhaps Frankfort would keep me interested after all. I liked the prospect better. One thing was certain, George Graham and I would be better acquainted before long. When I lay down that night it was not to sleep, but to think out plans for the future. The next morning I started out on my plan of campaign. I selected the corner from the Elks that I conceived to be most desirable and got options from as many of the owners as I thought would be necessary to build a hotel the size I wanted. Next I went to the tenants and got from them options on their leases. I accomplished all this within one week, and so little was I known and respected that I succeeded in getting both the land and the leases at very reasonable rates. Those that knew me concluded I had a little money; that I wanted to spend in making a show. The following day, when I took up the options and insisted upon deeds and terms of vacation being compiled with, there were mingled feelings of joy, consternation and wonderment on all sides. I was at once the sensation of the town. No one knew what use I was going to make of the buildings or ground, though I had an idea that George Graham had a secret fear of what was going to happen. He was respectful enough now, to say face, but from all I could hear he was as venomous as a snake behind my back. The second day after my purchases the principal architect from a nearby city arrived, and we spent the rest of the week on the plans. My directions were very simple; build a hotel three times the size of the Elks, and, without any restrictions whatever, make it the finest that money can buy. The man thought I was simple, but he charitably named, the venture Civic Pride, and we let it go at that. I demanded the erection of this hotel in an incredibly short time, and as money can accomplish much in Frankfort as well as elsewhere, I had the old buildings razed and work begun on the new, almost before the citizens realized what we were doing. As the new building went up, almost as if by magic, I realized what fame meant. With my rise came the fall of George Graham. That he felt keenly I could see. I could further see that there was yet one good fight left in him, and he would make it. When my hotel was finished and

George Graham was paying court to her. It was but one more reason why it should be a war to the death between us; nevertheless, I was determined to win. I installed her in a practically deserted inn. On the occasion of the opening of the "Frankfort" I gave a reception and ball. Among the guests was a young lady by the name of Della Cole. I knew the minute I saw her that I simply must have her for my wife.

Far from it; he had a number, many of them intensely partisan, who would not hesitate at anything to accomplish their purpose. Among these was a young fellow named Reynolds, who owned a jewelry store next door to the Elks. This cur had already circulated a number of most malicious lies about me, when I determined to put him out of business. I might have a sort of respect for Graham, but none for this creature.



"DO YOU AGREE TO THE CONDITIONS OF THE WILL?" She was at once the most beautiful and attractive woman that I had ever seen. She moved like a queen, young lady by the name of Della Cole, she accepted my homage. I was both surprised and annoyed to hear, the following day, that she had accepted my proposal. I had been so quick that he didn't even have time to get up and see me. I bought the store next to Reynolds and fixed it up with the finest of furnishings. Then I sent for one of my out-of-town friends, put everything in his name, and placed twice as large and handsome a stock as Reynolds' in the store. I instructed my man to sell for one-half the price his competitor charged for an article. Reynolds' suitcases piled and his end was so quick that he didn't even have time to get up and see me. I bought the store next to Reynolds and fixed it up with the finest of furnishings. Then I sent for one of my out-of-town friends, put everything in his name, and placed twice as large and handsome a stock as Reynolds' in the store. I instructed my man to sell for one-half the price his competitor charged for an article. Reynolds' suitcases piled and his end was so quick that he didn't even have time to get up and see me.

In a similar manner and for like reasons I established and controlled a newspaper, a bakery, a harness shop and a theater. The town was rapidly becoming mine and I was king. If anyone disliked me or my ways they acquired the ability of keeping that knowledge to themselves; for somehow they found that my enemies, for some cause they could not fully understand, were rapidly taking advantage of the bankruptcy law. During this period I managed to find time to pay court to Della Cole. I can say that I made the headway there that I did in everything else. She seemed to avoid me and though I couldn't tell that Graham was making any progress I was quite sure that I was not getting along as I should. I was not a little puzzled at her attitude, and I remember one evening in particular that I called at her home and tried to get an explanation from her. "Mr. Gordon," she said with a little nervous laugh, "you are so used to having your way about everything since your return to town that you imagine that I ought to fall into your arms, almost before I know you."

"That sounded so satisfying to myself love that I was beginning to feel quite gratified, when I suddenly wondered what she meant. "I scarcely know," I began, when she interrupted me. "Mr. Gordon, with all your money, power and talents, we of Frankfort often wonder—why—you bother to spend it all on us. Why you don't, in short, move to a larger place or spend part of your time in travel?" "Why, Miss Cole, don't you know I couldn't leave town—I mean I won't leave while you are here?" A noise like the falling of a chair in the next room, or the violent slamming of a window blind by the wind, startled us. That night when I was walking to my hotel I was seized by four ruffians, who bound, gagged and threw me into a light wagon standing near the street. I fought as I never had fought before, for I realized what I should lose should they succeed in getting me beyond the city limits. We had nearly reached that point when I succeeded in jumping out of the buggy. The fall nearly killed me, but a passerby saw it and came to my rescue. What was the reason for my attempted abduction? Had anyone guessed my secret? If so, I knew that by days of power were over. While anyone would hesitate to murder me, I had enemies who would not hesitate to commit the lesser crime of abducting me. As I thought of my stay in Frankfort I knew I had not betrayed myself to anyone, unless I had to Della Cole the evening of the night I was assaulted. Had she proven herself as Delilah, or had my secret been overheard when I had almost given it away to her? As soon as I was able and pronounced I called again and told the story of the assault. From the manner in which she heard it, I was certain that if any one knew, they had overheard the slip of the tongue I had made and guessed the rest. For the first time in my life I was afraid. A ridiculous feeling was liable to come to all my pretensions at almost any minute. I pleaded with Della for her love that evening. I loved her more than I thought it possible for me to love. She represented the only thing in Frankfort that I was not sure of. The very desire of possession seemed to feed my passion a hundred fold. Sympathy or love, I could not tell which, made her unusually kind, and while she would not say yes, yet gave me some hope. The next day I went to my lawyer and studied over the contents of the will carefully. Then I did a very unusual thing. I bought block after block of the business center of Frankfort, and as fast as possible sold what I had just purchased, even if I only got half or two-thirds of the amount I had previously paid. As fast as I got the money from these sales I banked it, until I had a trifle over \$200,000. Meaningless everyone secreted thought I had gone crazy. Then I went to the girl I had come to love better than life itself, and in the privacy of my carriage, in the middle of the road, safe from listening ears and tattling tongues, I told her something of the story of my life, and of my uncle Aaron's will. "And you forfeit everything," she said with wide and wondering eyes. "By telling me this?" "Everything in the world I do not have in my own name," I corrected, "but I would give it all, and more too, if I had it, for your respect, your love." Soft arms stole around my neck. "Yes, I know," said Mr. Boles, "I know all about it; you have lost and won out. Perhaps it is best, for I imagine someone suspected your secret. But what passes my understanding is why didn't you get millions of your uncle's wealth transferred to your name?" "It seems to me that with Della, my property in town and \$200,000 in the bank I ought to do pretty well," he replied smilingly. "Now let sheep have a chance."



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Personal Mention

Dr. W. B. Farris, the osteopath, has left for Fort Smith, Arkansas, where he will practice in the future.

Rev. M. S. Humphrey of Austin arrived today and will preach at the Baptist church at Iowa Park Sunday morning and night.

M. A. Barwise of Electra was in the city on business today.

Miss Mabel Black of Dallas arrived this afternoon for an extended visit with her aunt, Mrs. George D. Keith.

Rev. and Mrs. R. C. Miller entertained the members of the official board of the First Baptist church and their wives at a four course six o'clock dinner New Years eve.

O. Bullington left today for Amarillo to attend Court of Civil Appeals tomorrow.

Miss Vivian Manning of Bellevue is visiting Mrs. T. W. Ziegler for a few days.

Mrs. Willey D. Robertson of Corsicana is visiting Mrs. T. W. Ziegler for a few days.

Judge C. B. Felder has returned from a ten-days visit to the home of his father at Chapel Hill, Texas.

W. M. Cashier, cashier of the First National Bank, left this afternoon on a business trip to San Angelo.

Mr. James Young and baby returned to Dallas this afternoon to pack up their household goods to move back to Wichita Falls. Mr. Young having accepted a position with a wholesale firm here.

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