

STEAMER OFFICIALS LOSE IN EFFORT TO RULE EVIDENCE OUT

DEFENSE TRIES UNSUCCESSFULLY TO STRIKE OUT TESTIMONY OF GOVERNMENT IN TRIAL OF HAMBURG OFFICERS

NOT ILLEGAL TO HELP FLEET

Judge Agrees With Contention that No Law Was Violated in Sending Supplies, But Says Deception of Collectors Was Offense

By Associated Press. New York, Nov. 30.—Counsel for the four Hamberg-American line officials, on trial for conspiring to defraud the United States, assailed by legal argument today the case which the government has introduced through witnesses against them and lost every point of their contention.

Federal Judge Howe, presiding, who heard the argument in the absence of the jury, denied the defendant's motion to strike from the record all testimony concerning the charter and movement of the steamer Marina Quesada and an hour later overruled a motion to dismiss all the indictments.

It was far from being the usual perfunctory motion, for argument was protracted. The defense occupied the floor more than four fifths of the time, the government contenting itself with a brief sketch of the testimony as the district attorney and his staff reviewed it.

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PREPARE FOR OPENING OF QUAIL SEASON TOMORROW

Birds Said to Be Plentiful and Bird Dogs Are Ready for the Season's Work.

The shooting season for quail opens tomorrow and preparations are being made today by a number of hunters to take to the fields tomorrow. Quail are more numerous this season than for many years being fairly plentiful in these parts and in more remote sections are reported in great numbers. Four or five years ago the quail in this section were almost exterminated by the drought but in the past several years they have been coming back and growing more numerous despite the increase in the number of hunters and the more general use of pump guns.

Although there are not many dogs on the tax assessor's books, there are said to be more bird dogs in Wichita Falls than any city of its size in the country. Many of them have pedigrees longer than most persons can show and great care and considerable expense is incurred in their training. Many have been sent away to trainers in other states and have been coming back by express. Some owners won't risk the transportation of their dogs by express and have traveled hundreds of miles by automobile to bring them home. A number of new dogs have been brought into town within the past few weeks. Some of these have already been tried out. Others will prove their worth or show their unworthiness tomorrow.

The open season for quail extends until February 1. It is now lawful to shoot almost every kind of wild game in Texas with the exceptions of a few kinds which are permanently exempted.

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20 KILLED IN EXPLOSION AT DUPONT PLANT

By Associated Press. Wilmington, Del., Nov. 30.—At least 20 men are reported to have been killed and a number wounded in a powder explosion at the Dupont Powder plant here today.

Later reports indicate that the effects of the explosion were terrible. Officials of the company started shortly after two o'clock for the scene of the disaster to make an investigation. At the powder yards the greatest excitement and confusion prevailed.

DECLINE IN COTTON TODAY; WHEAT MARKET IS NERVOUS

Canadian Seizure Causes General Disturbance and Opinions on Effect Vary

By Associated Press. New York, Nov. 30.—The cotton market opened steady today at a decline of five to fourteen points under a continuation of the selling movement which was in progress at the close yesterday with January selling at 12.17 and March at 12.49. Liverpool cables were lower than due and there was some Liverpool selling here but there was a good demand on covering with January selling up to 12.33 and March to 12.62 or two to three points net higher before the end of the first hour. Bullish southern cotton advice seemed to check the early selling movement. Members of the New York cotton exchange estimate the commercial crop at 12,400,000 bales.

New York Cotton. Open High Low Close Dec. 1210 1222 1210 1219 21

Chicago Grain. Chicago, Nov. 30.—Uncertainty and nervousness were manifest today in the wheat market here. Widely varying opinions of the effect of the commandeering of wheat in Canada remained the chief disturbing element without causing any well defined change. Higher prices from Liverpool helped the bulls a little at the start but the influence failed to last. The opening which ranged from 1.4 off to 3.4 up with December at 103 1/2 to 106 1/2 and May at 108 1/4 to 109 3/4 was followed by a reaction all around to well below yesterday's finish and then a moderate rally. Fine weather option especially was at a discount. After opening at 1.4 decline to 1.8 advance the market underwent a general rally. On wheat grades, steady with grain. Buying orders from the seaboard did not avail much toward checking the break.

Chicago Provisions. Wheat Open High Low Close Dec. 106 1/2 106 1/2 104 1/2 105

New York Cottonseed Oil. Prime crude oil 14 1/2 @ 55. Total sales, 19,000.

Fort Worth Livestock. Fort Worth, Nov. 30.—Cattle receipts 4000, steady; beefs \$4.25 to \$6.50. Hog receipts 1500, steady and strong. Bulk \$6.20 to \$6.50. Sheep receipts 500 unchanged. Lambs \$7 and \$8.

KITCHEN WANTS CALLOWAY ON NAVAL COMMITTEE

By Associated Press. Fort Worth, Nov. 30.—Telegrams from democratic leader Claude Kitchen in this morning urged Congressman Oscar Calloway to become a candidate for the naval affairs committee to succeed Congressman Witherspoon of Mississippi, who died a few days ago. Calloway is against the Wilson preparedness policies and is favored by Kitchen. Administration men are expected to oppose him for positions on the committee. Calloway will leave for Washington tomorrow.

FORT WORTH BOY WINS RHODES SCHOLARSHIP

By Associated Press. Austin, Tex., Nov. 30.—According to a letter just received from Dr. W. J. Battle, acting president of the University of Texas, from H. T. Gerrans, secretary to the delegates of local examinations, Oxford, England, only one candidate from Texas for appointment to a Rhodes scholarship in Oxford has qualified. E. B. Naugle, a first year graduate student from the University of Texas, Mr. Naugle came to the University from Polytechnic Institute, Fort Worth and is the son of W. G. Naugle of Fort Worth, a retired farmer. The lucky candidate is only 21 years old.

SAYS WAR IS PUNISHMENT FOR SINS OF EUROPE'S PAST

Menace of Immigration That Peace Will Bring Here the Subject of Mrs. Curtis Talk.

The European war and the problems that it presents to America, the possibilities and the terrifying probabilities which its close will bring, formed the topic for the address delivered last night at the M. E. Church, South, by Mrs. Nannie Webb Curtis, state president of the W. C. T. U.

Mrs. Curtis characterized the present period of the world's growth as the entrance upon a new era, the passing away of the old way of thinking, the old ideals and the taking on of a new conception of mankind's duty to man and God. Ninety-nine per cent of joys and 94 per cent of all sorrows in this world come from others and so man's relation to his fellow man is a close one, she said.

"A nation," she said, "measures its civilization by its degree of waste, physical, intellectual, moral and financial. A nation may lose its forests, its waterways be closed and its last dollar lost but if its manhood is retained its rehabilitation is only a matter of a short time. America's greatest loss is its babies. Every year there are two and one half million born, one half million of whom die before reaching their first year and two and one fourth million die before the age of 23. Alcohol is the cause of this, either directly or indirectly. Medical authorities state that one half of the people in this great land are unable to contribute their full quota to society and civilization on account of disease. Alcohol is the cause of this. We have statistics."

The "Better Baby" movement was cited by Mrs. Curtis as a lasting movement that has set the world thinking, and has caused the questions to be asked, "Why are some babies born defective and some perfect?" The two and only two reasons given by science were given by Mrs. Curtis as "Alcohol and impurity." The government's care for stock was cited to show the advantage cattle and horses and hogs have over the human race, their right to being well born being guaranteed by state regulations and the careful attention of owners. Mrs. Curtis stated it as her belief that the time was drawing near when a dead infant or ran imperfect one would be a public shame to its parents and stated that the people would quit attributing the natural consequence of sin to a "mysterious providence."

As a speaker on the war, she demanded of the nations for their sins. She spoke feelingly of the tempestuous and soul-trying times of the civil strife, characterizing the terrible devastation which the southland suffered in the days of the early sixties as God's scourge for the misery caused by the sin of slavery. The blot which she wiped out, but without great bloodshed and loss of life. The sin of the nation was paid for by the death of the young manhood of America. "Even so," Mrs. Curtis continued, "those millions of dead and imperfect babies must be paid for. God will demand payment."

The European war was also viewed in the light of a payment demanded for the sins of the past. Already the heads of the nations have declared against alcohol as their worst enemy. Mrs. Curtis gave the proclamations of the king of England, the czar of Russia and the Kaiser of Germany, declaring for absolute abstinence in their armies. "It has taken this great war to bring this to pass," she said, "but God moves in a mysterious way, his wonders to perform."

The menace which the close of the war will bring to America was made the subject of much careful attention by Mrs. Curtis. "When the war is over," she said, "only the strong men the men of character will stay in the desolated countries to build them up. Those unfit for such work, the drunkards, the thieves, the gamblers, the murderers, the thugs, the bunks, and the depraved ones. Even now one million scarlet women are in foreign ports awaiting the time when they can enter our gates. War ridden Europe, Europe depopulated of men and money has no place for them and so they will come to us. How will you receive them? With the Bible or with the bottle?"

She drew a vivid word picture of a time that might come when the unworthy of all Europe, having entered the United States should gain the ascendancy and control the ballot after six months, or a year's residence in this country and as the tool of the liquor interests un-Americanize the free born citizen of the United States. As the only relief from the dark picture she had painted she urged the prayers and actions of each man and woman against the one thing which the warring nations have characterized as their one worst enemy, alcohol.

Mrs. Curtis is a forceful speaker and each thought brought out in her lecture was clear and was followed with much interest by the audience. The evening's address had been preceded by a talk to the women of the church meeting informal session at the First Presbyterian Church at 3:30. Mrs. Curtis left today for Vernon and from there will visit various points up the road. While here she has been entertained by Mrs. Ida C. Arnold, president of the local W. C. T. U.

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CALIFORNIA BELIEVES OIL WILL BE FOUND NEAR CITY

Wants to Take Advantage of Offer of Several Years Ago for Well Within Five Miles.

P. H. Griffin of Oakland, Cal., asked the directors of the Chamber of Commerce whether that body would renew its offer it made several years ago of \$10,000 for an oil well within five miles of Wichita Falls.

Mr. Griffin said he had been in this section for more than two months ago over the ground in Clay and Wichita counties and that from his investigations he believed the oil industry was in its infancy in this section. He said his knowledge of strata and formation on this investigations here led him to the belief that many spots not drilled yet would produce oil. He intimated that there was such a location within the five mile radius of the offer made several years ago.

President Huff explained that the offer made several years ago had long since expired and was no longer binding but that the question of renewal of this offer or the promulgation of a similar offer was a matter on which the directors might act.

On motion of C. W. Reid a committee was appointed to confer with Mr. Griffin and after doing so to make some recommendation to the board. C. W. Reid, J. A. Kemp and J. S. Iridwell were appointed members of this committee.

CRITICIZES COURSE OF ALLIES AT SALONIKI

By Associated Press. Berlin, Nov. 30.—The position taken by the entente allies as reflected in the semi-official statement issued in Paris to the effect that the landing of troops at Saloniki was not a violation of Greek territory is contradicted by the Overseas News Agency.

"Reports from various sources concerning British and French threats against Greece fail to clear up the situation," the agency says, "however, French and British sources indicate clearly that Greece will be asked to renounce her sovereignty. Attempts to justify this course are all-in-vain. M. Venizelos, the former premier, has not the right under the constitution to sanction the landing of troops at Saloniki. The Greek constitution states in Clause 92 that the parliament is the only body which possesses the right to decide such questions. Therefore King Constantine is merely defending the integrity of the constitution against conspiracy which shows that reproaches directed against him have no just basis.

"The French and British attempt to compel a small neutral nation to consent to the measures taken proves that the entente thinks might is right."

The varying fortunes which have attended Gen. Townsend's Mesopotamian expedition have not been recorded here in sufficient detail to make the situation clear. From the latest official state it does not appear that there has been any further fighting since the British advance upon the battlefield of Ctesiphon, but the British troops have again fallen back to the Tigris, being outnumbered by the Turks and are now occupying more easily defended positions in the rear of their former line.

On the north Polar front after crushing German attacks the Russians have made local gains in the neighborhood of Iloukat, occupying an eastern suburb of the town and advancing to the German trenches south of this point.

METHODIST CONFERENCE TO START TOMORROW AT BONHAM

The North Texas Conference of the M. E. Church, South, will open tomorrow at Bonham, with Bishop McCoy attending. Appointments will be made for churches throughout the conference, which includes Wichita Falls; it is considered fairly certain that Dr. A. L. Andrews will be returned here by the church and Wichita Falls principal interest lies in the proposition to create a Wichita Falls district. The present headquarters of this district are Bowie. A new presiding elder for the Bowie district is to be named at this conference.

PETER RADFORD WILL BE HERE NEXT SATURDAY

Peter Radford, manager of the state warehouse and marketing bureau, is expected here next Saturday to talk about the state warehouse law and the work of the bureau. He will be here to attend the county meeting of the Farmers Union and if a suitable hall can be secured will deliver a public address in the afternoon to which the general public will be invited. Definite announcement will be made later.

GERMANY IS PLACING BIG ORDERS FOR COPPER

By Associated Press. New York, Nov. 30.—Orders for copper, aggregating about 200,000,000 pounds yearly—one fifth the annual production in the United States, have been placed by German representatives with copper centers in this country. It was announced today. The cost will total \$40,000,000. In instances where the contracts have been filled the metal has been placed in storage under an agreement to ship to Germany immediately after the war. The German government recently has been commandeering copper wherever it could be found in the German empire.

MEXICAN TEACHERS VISIT PRESIDENT WILSON TODAY

By Associated Press. Washington, Nov. 30.—President Wilson today shook hands with a group of Mexican school teachers sent to the United States by General Carranza to study school methods.

KITCHENER RETURNS FROM NEAR EAST TRIP

By Associated Press. London, Nov. 30.—Field Marshal Earl Kitchener, secretary of war, returned to London today from his near eastern trip.

SERBS EVACUATE MONASTIR BEFORE INVADERS ADVANCE

ARMY UNBROKEN DESPITE CONTINUED DEFEATS BY TEUTONS AND BULGARIANS IS REORGANIZING NEAR ALBANIA.

By Associated Press. London, Nov. 30.—Monastir, in southwestern Serbia, has been evacuated. Serbian troops having accomplished their purpose of delaying the enemy's advance until the civil population of the town had time to escape, have now left the city and according to reports are retiring in good order. Bulgarian occupation of the town is apparently a matter of only a few hours.

Though the Austro-German and Bulgarian campaign against Serbia is described by the Central Powers as finished, and though practically the whole of Serbia is in their possession, they have not accomplished, according to the general belief here, the more important aim of crushing the Serbian army. Though defeated in the conflict against overwhelming odds, the Serbian forces are said to be still unbroken and are reported to be reorganizing on the Albanian and Montenegrin frontiers.

Either bitter winter weather has retarded the Central Powers in their proposed new enterprise against the Franco-British troops in the Strumitsa region, or the rapidly developing Russian menace from the direction of Roumania has caused them to abandon it. In any event their campaign has recently come to a standstill.

Other fronts during the last 48 hours have shown generally revived activity. Sir John French, commander in chief of the British forces in France and Belgium, reports successful British air attacks on German positions along the Belgian coast and other parts of the German western front involving destruction of a German submarine off the Belgian coast and raids on an aerodrome and munition factory behind the German lines. French troops in the Souchez district drove the Germans from a crater made by successful mine explosion recorded in the German communication of Saturday.

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That they read their notes aright—
The katydid, the cricket and the
frog.
—Atlanta Constitution.

EPISCOPAL GUILD MEETS MONDAY AFTERNOON

The Ladies of the Episcopal Guild met Monday afternoon in business session at the rectory. Plans for the annual Christmas bazaar to be held Friday afternoon and Saturday were finished up and all things declared in readiness for the event. The members present were: Mesdames Akin, Blair, Childers, Shaw, Sammons, Warner, Strub Moore, Collier, Shutt, Pogenpohl, Datson, Ingo, Datson Sr.

SOCIAL MEETING OF FIRST CHRISTIAN LADIES

A delightful social meeting of the Ladies Aid of the First Christian Church was held Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. W. Pond, Mesdames Pond, Williams, South and Cagle being joint hostesses. Roll call was answered with anecdotes or amusing verses and a program was carried out, Miss Frances Allen giving piano numbers, Miss Agnew vocal selections while Master Paul Pond gave violin selections that were enjoyed. A short talk was given by Mrs. Nansie Webb Curtis, state president of the W. C. T. U. here for a brief visit. A delicious two course luncheon was served.

The Ladies Aid of the First Presbyterian Church held a short business session Monday afternoon at the church. Plans for the bazaar were discussed and committees on arrangements were appointed. The bazaar will be given on the tenth and eleventh of this month.

B. W. A. MEETING HELD MONDAY AT CHURCH

The Woman's Alliance of the First Baptist Church met Monday afternoon in social session. Mrs. R. C. Smith, retiring president, was in Smith, retiring president, was in preliminary meeting. The division leaders for the new year announced the membership of the division and reports from the convention at Austin were in order from the delegates. A special musical program was given by Mrs. Walter S. Robertson and Miss Katherine Cook. There were a good number of members in attendance.

CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN AID MEETS MONDAY

A business session of the Ladies Aid of the Central Presbyterian Church was held Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Phil Kerr. Devotionals were led by Mrs. Arnold and the details of the bazaar to be given Friday were attended to. The society will have on sale a quantity of beautiful Japanese hand work Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Fred L. McFadden. A Japanese tea will be held in connection.

WESTMINSTER GUILD MEETS WITH MRS. HARRIS

The Helen D. Beavers Chapter of the Westminister Guild met Monday afternoon in social session at the home of Mrs. Harvey Harris. The afternoon was devoted to sewing for the bazaar and the hostess served tea, cake and salad. Mesdames Mrs. Bruce Greenwood and Miss Alexander of Bayre were guests. The members present being: Mesdames Pullington, Hensley, Everett Jones, Tuttle, Malone, J. T. Montgomery, McCutchen, Morris, Pishel, Robertson, Lorry, Straus, Wise, Ayer, Harris, Gerhart, Misses Zeigler, McSpadden and Larry.

KERN AGAIN TO LEAD DEMOCRATS IN SENATE

By Associated Press.
Washington, D. C., Nov. 29.—Senator Kern of Indiana was re-elected chairman of the democratic caucus and floor leader by unanimous vote at the conference of Senate democrats. Sengler, Pittman of Nevada was elected secretary of the conference to succeed Senator Sausbury of Delaware, who resigned. The selection of a vice chairman, committee assignments and reports of the special committees on revision of the rules were postponed until Wednesday. Senator Kern was authorized to name a few steering committees.

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TO TRADE-Owner wants to trade automobile in good condition, 50 h. p., seven passenger, for Ford. Phone 568. 50-tfc
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Opening address-Rev. Walters.
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Reading-Miss Virginia Dickinson.
Address on Oddfellowship-Judge Harris.
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Personals

Louis Kleinman, one of the owners of the Globe Clothing store here, is here from Dallas. Miss Laura Martin has returned from a visit with friends at Bellevue. Dr. J. C. A. Orest has returned from Haskell, where he was called by the illness of his father. He left his father much improved. Judge P. A. Martin will leave tomorrow for Bonham to attend the North Texas Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church. H. A. Gausewitz, general superintendent of the Fort Worth & Denver, was here today on a trip of inspection. He left this afternoon for points north. Mrs. J. M. Williams of Clarendon arrived this afternoon for a visit with her son, C. M. Duke and family. J. H. Detmer who has been visiting his son, P. W. Detmer near Electra, left this afternoon for his home at Sedalia, Mo. Mrs. M. M. Murray of Galveston and Mrs. Ned Murray of Texas City, returned to their homes this afternoon after a visit with friends here. W. L. Dillard left this afternoon for a visit with his brother at Corpus Christi, Texas. Mrs. Nannie Webb Curtis, state president of the W. C. T. U. left this afternoon for Vernon after delivering addresses here Sunday and last night.

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GERMAN POSITIONS ARE BOMBARDED BY SQUADRON

By Associated Press. London, Nov. 30.—German positions on the Belgian coast from Zeebrugge to Ostend were bombarded for two hours this morning by a British squadron according to a Reuters dispatch from Amsterdam.

MEXICAN TROOPS SENT TO LOS MOCHIS DISTRICT

By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., Nov. 30.—Two regiments of Mexican infantry are being hurried to the Los Mochis district and to Topolobampo where Americans have been reported threatened. The native troops are expected to control the situation. Rear Admiral Winslow on his flagship San Diego is on his way there with American marines.

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The Order of Elks; Its Beginning, Growth And What It Stands For

(By Fred C. Robinson, Grand Secretary of the United States.)

Within the last few years the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, more familiarly known as the B. P. O. E., and interpreted to read "Best People on Earth" has developed into a widespread and powerful order, based upon the grand fundamental principles of Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity. Some fifty years ago, a small group of members of the theatrical and musical profession met in the city of New York and laid the foundation. It was purely of a social nature and was known as the "Jolly Corks." Its primary object was to succor those in sickness and distress and to help the weak and unfortunate and cheer the despondent. The founder of this small society was Charles Algernon Sidney Vivian, born in England and a son of an English clergyman. He was at this time singing in the principal theatre on Broadway, New York.

Effect Permanent Organization.

This small organization became so popular among the members of the profession and increased so rapidly in both numerical and financial strength that the necessity of establishing a firmer basis and the adoption of a more dignified name soon became evident. A committee was appointed for the purpose and Vivian as "Imperial Cork" was chairman of the committee and suggested the name of "Buffaloes" an organization of which he had been a member in England. This, however did not meet the approval of the majority, who were desirous of adopting a name for the order of a distinctly American origin. At a meeting on Feb. 16, 1868, the name of "The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks" was adopted by a vote of 8 to 7 and from this date we start our history.

The order at that time had two degrees, the chief officer being known as the Right Honorable Primo and in the second degree as Exalted Ruler. Upon the adoption of a new ritual in 1883 all the titles of the first degree were dropped and those of the second were retained.

A committee comprising Messrs. George F. McDonald, Charles Vivian, E. M. Platt, Thos. G. Riggs and Wm. Sheppard, prepared the constitution and bylaws which were adopted in March, 1868. With the wonderful growth of the order, it has been necessary to make changes and additions to the laws, but the foundation as laid by these able men remains unchanged.

Mr. Vivian on leaving New York, was succeeded by Richard R. Steily as Exalted Ruler. The order, now with its change of name, ceased to restrict its membership to the members of the theatrical profession, but branched out to include the names of prominent officials, merchants, bankers, journalists, legal and medi-

cal men and the bright lights of the world in art, literature, science and music.

Grand Lodge Chartered.

The order grew rapidly and by an act of legislature of the state of New York, the Grand Lodge was given a charter, being then composed of the fifteen original founders of the order and all the past and present officers of New York lodge. On March 10, 1871 New York Lodge No. 1 was chartered and March 12 of the same year Philadelphia No. 2 was instituted. Not until 1876 were San Francisco No. 3 and Chicago Lodge No. 4 chartered. Thos. Keene, the eminent actor, was the first Exalted Ruler of No. 3. During 1877 Cincinnati No. 5 Sacramento No. 6, Baltimore No. 7 and Louisville No. 8 were instituted and St. Louis No. 8 were instituted and St. Louis No. 9, Boston No. 10 and Pittsburg No. 11 appeared upon the horizon of Elksdom in 1878. From 1878 to 1882 no new lodges were organized, but at the session of 1885 there were represented thirty-five lodges. Up to this time the annual conventions were held in New York, but owing to the growth of the order the rule was changed in favor of holding annual conventions in other cities. In 1886 the annual meeting was held in Cincinnati and during this year twenty new lodges were chartered and the total membership increased from 4,900 to 6,900. The Grand Lodge has been entertained by the following cities: Cincinnati 1886; Detroit 1887; Cincinnati 1888; Pittsburg 1889; Cleveland 1890; Louisville 1891; Buffalo 1892; Detroit 1893; Atlantic City 1894-95; Cincinnati 1896; Minneapolis 1897; New Orleans 1898; St. Louis 1899; Atlantic City 1900; Milwaukee 1901; Salt Lake City 1902; Baltimore 1903; Cincinnati 1904; Bucalo 1905; Denver 1906; Philadelphia 1907; Dallas 1908; Los Angeles 1909; Detroit 1910; Atlantic City 1911; Portland 1912; Rochester 1913 and Denver 1914, and extensive preparations are being made to entertain what promises to be the largest meeting in the history of the order at Los Angeles in July, 1915.

First Annual Reunion in 1886.

The meeting in Cincinnati in 1886 was the first annual reunion of the members of the order at the same time with the Grand Lodge in session, and from then until now these meetings abound year after year with more enthusiasm. They tend to increase our membership having had the rapid growth of from 5,500 in 1886 to 12,000 in 1890; nearly 30,000 in 1895 and over 40,000 in 1898 and between 55,000 and 60,000 in 1899 and from 60,000 to 97,000 in 1900 and from 1900 to 475,879 while the number of lodges has increased from 35 in 1886 to 1319 at the present time.

The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks is an order to promote



the common welfare of its members, to insure a more perfect union, to secure justice to all lodges and to all brothers; to uphold our country, its laws and flag and to uplift humanity.

There can be but one lodge of the order in any city no matter how large, and a city must have 5,000 inhabitants before a lodge can be instituted. No lodge can be established outside of the confines of the United States and none but citizens of the United States can become members.

The impression seems to exist in the minds of the public that our order is for fun only; but this idea is rapidly vanishing as more is learned of its tenets and it can truly be said that our membership embraces jolly, jovial good fellows and the posters of the different lodges in every city contain the names of merchants, manufacturers, artisans, literary and professional men, bankers and min-

isters, an array of which any society might well feel proud.

Serious Side of Order.

The practice of charity, without ostentation is one of the cardinal virtues of the Elks, and thousands and tens of thousands of dollars are annually expended, both in and out of the order, without the recipients of their favor knowing from whence the timely assistance comes. In the ranks of this order, sectionalism is unknown, and a brother Elk of the north finds a most cordial welcome among his southern brothers and vice versa.

Our order is the only fraternal organization which enjoys the honored distinction of being purely American. The flag of our country is draped upon every altar in every lodge room and every Elk is by virtue of his membership a true American and the order will ever follow the flag wherever it may go.

The animal from which the order derives its name is noted for gentleness and timidity. It is defined as being strong of limb, fleet of foot, quick and keen of perception. We are taught to be quick to perceive or hear the cry of distress, to be timorous of doing wrong and to be first of foot to relieve the unfortunate. We bury our dead and keep alive and commemorate the virtues of those who have fallen in life's battles. The first Sunday in December of each year is designated as the day upon which shall be commemorated in a memorial service, in every lodge of Elks, the lives and memories of their departed brothers.

This annual service of music, song, prayer and speech in honor of the dead is general throughout the United States. We have the social session, which is distinctly an Elk institution. These meetings are held at the will of the subordinate lodge and are of a most social nature. Driving away the dull cares of this life for the moment and meeting our brethren in the midst of laughter and song, dispelling any cold formality and promoting among our membership the warmest cordiality.

We have nothing in our order of a mercenary nature; we offer no insurance or pecuniary advantage that would induce membership from those who find such things attractive. An organization that appeals to the better nature of man, and no one is tempted to join the same who does not believe in its tenets, its principles and teachings.

11 O'clock Sentiment. Another attractive custom in connection with our order is that when the hour of 11 o'clock is reached it is customary to recall the thought, "Our Absent Brothers." Everywhere throughout the world during the day the sentiment is expressed, because it is 11 o'clock somewhere always. Our thoughts of our brothers, therefore are ever encircling the universe keeping us in touch with each other and with both the living and dead. We are entirely free from both

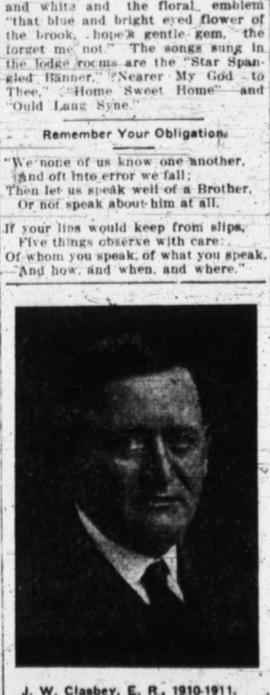
political and religious prejudices. We require the belief in the existence of a Supreme Being, good character, a willingness to adhere to the teachings of our order and before our altar, where lies the Open Book resting on the stars and stripes, we stand and pledge and affirm our declaration to Him and the tenets of our beloved order. Our organization is based upon the imperishable principles of charity, justice, brotherly love and fidelity. This is our religion—Deeper, broader, wider and grander than any other because it embraces all; enabling our membership to be made up of the Jew, Gentile, the Catholic and the Protestant, men of all beliefs, but none except those who abide in faith to the fatherhood of God and the common brotherhood of man; respecting and teaching to its members the reverence and love of the name of wife, mother, sister and daughter.

The motto of the order is, "The faults of our brothers we write upon the sands, and their virtues upon the tablets of love and memory, with the ground work and foundation of the golden rule for life: 'Do unto others as you would they should do unto you.' Our colors are purple and white and the floral emblem 'that blue and bright eyed flower of the brook, hope's gentle gem, the forget me not.' The songs sung in the lodge rooms are the "Star Spangled Banner," "Nearer My God to Thee," "Home Sweet Home" and "Ould Lang Syne."

Remember Your Obligation.

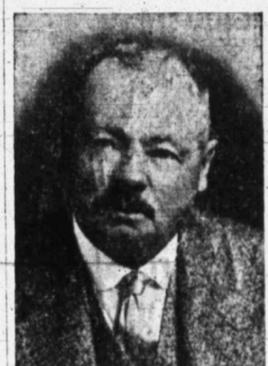
"We none of us know one another, and oft into error we fall; Then let us speak well of a Brother, Or not speak about him at all."

If your lips would keep from slips, Five things observe with care: Of whom you speak, of what you speak, And how, and when, and where."



J. W. Clabsey, E. R., 1910-1911.

Local Lodge of Elks Founded In 1908-Now Has 350 Members and Handsome Quarters



Chas. W. Bean, E. R., 1908-1909

WHAT ARE YOU?

Are you an Elk or just a member of the lodge? If you have any doubt as to which class you belong in you are certainly in the latter. A true Elk knows himself and knows his class.

An Elk is a member of the Order who participates in all its activities, visits the lodge frequently, doesn't wait to be summoned for his dues, brings welcome suggestions to the officers and ever stands ready to respond to the full duty of Elksdom.

A mere member is one who accepts initiation as he would examination for a life insurance company, and goes his way unmindful of the full meaning of the obligation he has taken.

The Elk is full of zeal and sacrificing in spirit and act. If there is something to be done he does it. The mere member has neither zeal nor a spirit of sacrifice and if there is anything to be done—well "let George do it."

The Elk is an equipped, well disciplined member of our army of charity—not only the charity that gives succor but the charity that overlooks faults, spreads good cheer, applauds good deeds for their good alone and finds no one without some good in him.

The mere member is a sutler in this army and he squalidly wails the sutler's privileges with him "charity is a carefully calculated gift to relieve the indigent poor, given with Pharisaical humility and with a definite thought that by he may get back two-fold."

The Elk is the heart of the fraternity through him it survives and grows great.

The mere member is the reluctant, torpid organ of the great body and through him it would soon sicken and might die.

Be sure you are an Elk.

An American Product. The Wapiti

The Elk, one of our most interesting animals, is found in all parts of the United States. Though commonly considered as wild, it has become partially domesticated. It gives a strange cry when accosted, which sounds very much like "Hello-Bill." Elks are often found roaming about at night, usually in small droves. Their principal food is Welsh Harbets and Club Sandwiches. After feeding they sometimes stamper. Their bellows can be heard for miles on these occasions. The Elk is a brave animal, except in the presence of its mate, when it becomes very quiet. It has often been known to lie still for a long time; in fact, some Elks began to lie when they first met their mates, and are being still. Elks have beautiful teeth—which, by the way, are their principal charms. The Elks have strong constitutions and can go for a long time without water, in fact, it is said that some of them never drink water. The Elks are protected by the government, and it is unlawful to shoot them, but lots of them get half shot—by accident. The Domesticated Elk of which there are tens of thousands in the United States—is the possessor of most of the virtues of humanity, and no more than an average of humanity's vices. He is Benevolent, Protective, a friend of Order, and by virtues of those characteristics is known with his Brothers as the Best People on Earth.

Claud Woods was painfully hurt while cranking a Ford preparatory to advance sale for the Minstrel show to the bank. However, he has recovered sufficiently to carry through his part as star in the performance tomorrow night.

The Wichita Falls Lodge of Elks was instituted February 20, 1908, with the following Charter Members:

P. P. Langford, Chas. W. Bean, H. M. Hughes, D. P. Woodward, Ira Wills, W. M. McGregor, F. P. Avis, M. D. Walker, G. L. Mater, W. H. Walker, W. A. Reid, W. J. Bullock, Fred Harrington, J. A. Kemp, Alex. Kahn, A. L. Huey, R. L. Miller, A. S. Fonville, E. P. Walsh, T. B. Noble, Harley Heath, J. W. Clabsey, C. B. Woods, Ray Duke, Geo. P. Dillard, W. H. Felder, C. W. Hendricks, A. Marcus, E. B. Goraline, W. W. Gardner, N. Henderson, V. E. Stampitt, H. A. Waller, K. A. White, R. Robertson, J. W. Tipton, M. L. Austin, S. T. Scaling, J. W. Stone.

The first officers were: Exalted Ruler, Chas. W. Bean; Esteemed Leading Knight, H. M. Hughes; Esteemed Loyal Knight, W. J. Bullock; Esteemed Lecturing Knight, Alex. Marcus; Secretary, W. C. Reid; Treasurer, P. P. Langford; Tyler, V. E. Stampitt; Chaplain, D. P. Woodward; Inner Guard, C. W. Hendricks; Esquire, J. W. Clabsey; Trustees, T. B. Noble, W. M. McGregor and N. Henderson.

The Lodge has grown and prospered remarkably during the eight years of its existence and now has a membership of over three hundred and fifty. The Club Rooms are centrally located; they are handsomely designed and elegantly furnished.

Seven Brothers have passed to the Great Beyond. Their labors are over, their earthly accounts are closed, their souls forgotten, their virtues cherished; they rest in peace. Their names as placed on our memorial tablets are as follows:

Robert Robertson, Jos. U. O'Donoghue, S. Maxwell Foster, W. Thomas Wadlington, Duffee Reil, Alex. Kahn, L. H. Mathis.

The present officers of the lodge are as follows:

E. G. Hill, Exalted Ruler; W. N. Bonner, Esteemed Leading Knight; Joe Stokes, Esteemed Loyal Knight; Carter McGregor, Esteemed Lecturing Knight.

Bert St. Clair, Secretary; W. W. Gardner, Treasurer; Chas. Poghenpohl, Esquire; Jack C. Barnard, Tyler; A. A. Kaufhold, Inner Guard; Trustees—A. L. Huey, J. T. Young and A. E. Myles.

Past Exalted Rulers—Chas. W. Bean, C. B. Woods, J. W. Clabsey, A. H. Brittain, A. L. Huey, J. T. Young and A. E. Myles.



C. B. Woods, E. R., 1909-1910.

WAS IT ONE OF OUR ELKS?

They were newly married and on a honeymoon trip. They put up at a sky-scaper hotel. The bridegroom felt indisposed and the bride said she would slip out and do a little shopping. In due time she returned and tripped blithely up to her room, a little awed by the number of doors that all looked alike. But she was sure of her own and tapped gently on the panel.

"I'm back home, isn't it?" No answer.

"Honey, honey, let me in!" she called again, rapping louder. Still no answer.

"Honey, honey, it's me. Let me in." There was silence for several seconds; then a man's voice, cold and full of dignity, came from the other side of the door.

"Madame, this is not a beehive; it's a bathroom."

Some of the stuff will undoubtedly be deep. Any one failing to get them the first night, will receive a pass for the second night's performance by tapping at the box office on the way out and depositing a dollar.

HERE IS A CHANCE TO EARN SOME CHRISTMAS MONEY

In the advertisements of the Elks' Booster Edition of the Times—the last ten pages of the paper—today there are a number of typographical errors. To the best proofreader who finds the largest number of errors the Elks' Club will pay a reward of \$10.00.

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J. A. Kemp is one of the champion domino players of Wichita Falls. He won the belt a few days ago at the end of one of the hottest games ever played in the history of the Elk's Club. The contest waxed fast and furious. The rooters almost went into a frenzy. Dr. Amazon could be heard for blocks and Wop's voice was at its best. In speaking of the game afterwards, Exalted Ruler E. G. Hill said: "Mr. Kemp and his partner, J. W. Stone, were simply invincible against the field, said field consisting of M. J. Gardner and J. Markowitz. Their team work was probably the best ever seen on the local arena, and they always used their heads in a pinch, it being afterwards remarked that not more than half an hour at a time was used by each player in studying out his next move." Tom Freeman referred, and W. J. Gresham umpired, the game being unusually free from squabbles. The defeated team gave out the following statement: "The combination was too strong for us, the years of practice behind both players enabling them to win with comparative ease. However, we expect to come back and yet secure the belt." A nice new set of dominoes was used and although the markers were selected with some difficulty, they were finally secured by ringing Messrs. Gardner and Markowitz have not as yet served notice of contest, but it is understood that they have had their heads together and there may yet be something doing. Meanwhile Mr. Kemp and Mr. Stone bear all the laurels. The game was played in the record breaking time of six hours and twenty minutes.

Bum Perkins, for days undefeated scratch pool champion of the Elks'



A. H. Britain, E. R., 1914-1912.

lodge, now bears a look of sadness. No more does he wear the jaunty air of a victor. He met his Waterloo last week in a contest with Jesse Dolman and Cap Barnard, those two veterans of the game who have been training in secret. The game was called at one o'clock and started off with snap and vigor. It was witnessed by such past masters of the art as Max Gardner, A. E. Myles, P. H. Pennington, Dr. Waller, C. W. Bean, Newton Maer, Bill Gresham, E. H. Walpole, J. L. Art, V. G. Skeen and R. E. Strange.

Right off the reel Perkins in a sensational "scatter the bunch" shot made the fifteen and the fourteen balls and a groan went up from the supporters of Dolman and Barnard, respectively. But Cap took a hitch in his belt and with a look of determination plunged into the midst of the fray. Dolman was not far behind. The exclamations of "Bum Work," "Who told you that you could shoot," "Are you broke," etc. testified to the interest of the spectators. Several times during critical periods of the game, Dr. Waller was seen to go to the rack as if to select a cue and enter the game. However, he was restrained, and the game went on. It was nip and tuck until the thirteen ball alone remained on the table. "Who would the victor be? All was quiet. Even Man Kell breathed in a whisper. It was Barnard's shot. With a sudden twist of the wrist he sent the ball rolling. Round and round it went until it hesitated on the brink of the right hand corner pocket. Then it fell in, leaving Perkins with the little end of the score. A mighty cheer went up from the spectators and the champion had been dethroned. Barnard was immediately challenged by all of the spectators and having accepted, these games will be played as soon as possible. Cap has shortened his office hours in order to accommodate all challengers.

Pastimes of the Elks—smoking cigarettes, J. A. Kemp; Sleeping on the davenport, Dr. Brown, A. L. Huey and Lynn Boyd; Reading periodicals, T. R. T. Orth; Carefully driving a car, Carter McGregor; Attending lodge meetings, Walter Priddy; Talking to the girls, Jimmy Griffin; Being a society king, R. J. Martin; Telling what his mamma said, Jake Avis; Rushing the visiting girls, Lamar Fain; Giving matrimonial advice to young men, Judge Scurry; Spending time on 16th street, Bobby Burns; Watching domino and pool games, Tom Roberts; Attending Thanksgiving dances, Booster Stanforth and John Humphreys; Telling how to make that shot, Eugene Sherrod; Making the girls come more than half way, Lafayette Gober.

Dr. Hargraves, killing ducks on Red river with strings tied on their legs; Tom Freeman, Ah! Play that tray duce; Linn Boyd, reckless money spender—went to Frisco and back on ten dollars; A. H. Britain, long distance night baby walker; J. A. Kemp, champion milker—holds record of milking three Guernsey cows in one week; Jerome Stone, the ninth wonder—never exceeded five miles per hour in his life, so Judge Rye says;



A. E. Myles, E. R., 1914-1915.

A. L. Huey, the coming Caruso of the south; W. E. Norton, a Boston fan; T. B. Noble, champion snipe hunter, call on P. H. for particulars; Jim Prothro, since rise of gasoline Jim is using Bentley Bacon's car.

LEGAL NOTICE.

State of Texas, County of Wichita.

Hello Bill Elks, plaintiff,

vs.

The hereinafter named parties, Defendants.

GREETINGS: You and each of you are hereby summoned to answer this complaint, a copy of which is hereby served upon you, to appear at the Elks' Club Rooms on December 1st and 2nd, or to be explicit, during the period of the Elks' Minstrels, to be duly registered and placed and to show cause why you have neglected your duty to yourself and country in not taking up to yourself a wife prior to this time, a duty however, which you can now fulfill by taking the advice which will be given you upon your appearance at the beforementioned time and place, to-wit:

In case you fail to appear such action will be taken against you as may be deemed necessary after consulting which the ladies who have instigated this complaint.

The following are named as defendants in this action:

- Judge Edgar Scurry,
- Marvin Smith,
- N. Henderson,
- Judge W. N. Bonner,
- Cliff Gibson,
- Judge Edgar Rye,
- Judge A. A. Hughes,
- Joe Stokes,
- A. H. Bridwell.

(Signed) Judge C. B. FELDER, Attorney for Plaintiffs, Post office, Wichita Falls, Texas.

Brother Baum's Fashion Hints.—Last winter's overcoats will be worn in some circles. Holes in socks will be worn in the same places.

Fringes on pants' bottoms are not in favor and should be trimmed off. Shirts are fashionable when worn on the elbows and the seats of the trousers.

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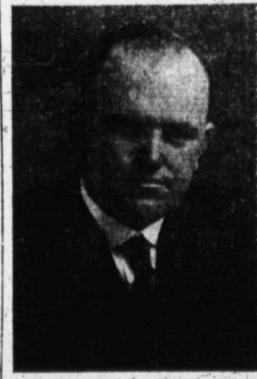
FOUND—A long stocking containing a wooden leg. Owner can have same by calling and proving ownership. See Bill at the Club.

LOST—A pocket book with a place to keep money. Finder can have the place to keep money if the pocket book is returned to the Wichita Theater tomorrow night with a dollar for admittance to the Elks' Minstrel.

LOST—If the person who took by mistake my new pair of shoes, (which were too small for me), will call at my office, I will give him a button hook to fasten them with. A. A. Kaufhold.

WANTED—A good hair tonic. Something that will restore hair a little at a time. John W. Thomas.

WANTED—Agents to sell my song hit "The Bloom of the Roses has All Been Wasted." One rendition of this song will always do the business. M. A. Brin.



E. G. Hill, E. R., 1915.

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Eugene Liepold, E. H. Walpole, Joe L. Art, J. S. Bridwell, Jake Avis, E. G. Hill.
(There were others but they wouldn't work)

Our Motto—"We are willing to go to the alley, or behind the shed, (on legitimate business), at any old time you ain't busy."

WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS, TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 1915.

This issue of the Elk's Booster is the first—and probably the last—number of this precious organ.

Therefore, is the aim of the editors to crowd its short, sweet life with many things.

If we were to give full credit for all that has been swiped, seized and copied outright from other publications we would be compelled to mention practically every journal in the country from the Brewer's Gazette to the Christian Advocate, and we are not going to do it because we haven't got the room.

Also, this sheet was not framed up for the especial purpose of throwing the harpoon into "friends," as some people might think after perusing these pages.

Nor was it organized to put the Wichita Daily Times or the Fort Worth Record out of business—or to dictate the policy of Woodrow Wilson or Carranza, and say what time the President should arise and milk the White House cow.

No, No, My dear subscriber, none of these things were uppermost in the minds of the editor or his staff, when they sat in their beautifully appointed offices and conceived the brilliant idea of becoming responsible for a free and untrammelled press.

Their thoughts, in fact, dwelt upon a far greater work which is of such merit that it is destined to go down into the archives of history as the BIG NOISE of the Age—THE ELKS' MINSTREL SHOW.

There you have it.

This publication was organized to Boost.

Boost the Show.

Incidentally to have a little fun.

The Elk's Minstrel Show is going to be the biggest affair of a like nature ever staged in this city. Already it has attracted national notice as the many telegrams to the editor published elsewhere in this issue will bear witness. You will regret it for many a day if you don't go down to the Rexall and reserve a couple of seats.

In case of ill feeling on the part of any person referred to in the columns of the Booster, you will please at once correspond or appear at the office and a fine will be imposed according to the height of your anger. We hope to show a good earning from this source.

By the time this issue of the Elk's Booster edition falls beneath your eye, the members of the staff will have betaken themselves to the wilds of Oklahoma. Prior to the determination to publish this paper, assurance of protection was obtained from Judge Harvey Harris and Bruce Greenwood and if anyone takes up the chase, we have secured a government aeroplane, so one and all can see that there is absolutely no use in sailing up.

Deep down in some lonely spot, comforted by the thought that we are not at home, and dare not go, we will abide until the shadows vanish. Napoleon, be it remembered, left Moscow after a daring venture that startled the world. Mark Anthony cut some kind of a caper in Egypt and then gave out. Lee made the effort of his life around Gettysburg and then turned homeward disheartened and downcast. Taft ran a bluff on the whole United States and then retired to the obscurity of a law professorship in a day school. Roosevelt, after organizing the Progressive party, told it to go to and then went lecturing in South America.

So far as we, ourselves are concerned, after preparing all the copy for the Booster and upon the assurance that it will be printed, we leave town in a Ford automobile our destination being wherever we run out of gasoline. The days are cool, but we feel that this edition is hot enough for all purposes and we go into banishment cheerfully, feeling the need of cooling breezes and obscurity.

We go into voluntary retirement (please not not bankruptcy) but we will come again: We earnestly expect to sneak back into the corporate limits of Wichita Falls not later than the night of December 1st, when we hope to actually witness the production that we have lied about so openly. So, if it is for no other reason on earth than to see us apprehended and possibly strung-up, you should not fail to see the Elks' Big Minstrel Show on Wednesday night.

The circulation of the Elks' Booster is guaranteed to be greater and its advertising rate higher than that of any other publication in Wichita County, with the possible exception of the city and county tax levy for 1916. If any advertiser doubts this statement, he may have his money refunded if he can find out who has it. If you don't believe the Booster is the best advertising medium in the world, ask the men who sold you the space.

After the committee in charge had completed arrangements with the firm of Miller & Draper for the presentation of the Elk's Minstrels at the Wichita Theater, all were anxious to see who would be sent here to take charge of drilling those exponents of the dramatic art who were to take part in the show. It was several days later that Frank Blyler, of St. Paul, Minn., made his appearance.

Now there is not a member of the Elks' Lodge here who has occasion to associate with Mr. Blyler who does not take off his hat to his ability. A big hearted generous sort of fellow who knows how to say just the right thing at the right time and combines with it talent of a sort that is rare, the only regret that he has occasioned in his visit to Wichita Falls is the fact that he will leave soon after the show for Dallas, where he goes to assist in the show there.

TRUE AIM AND PURPOSE OF ELKDOM.

The month of December is chronologically the month wherein Elkdom manifests its true aim and purposes.

The first Sunday of that month is held sacred as the day of memorial to those brothers who have paid the penalty of existence by an exodus into eternity, and the outside world is given a glimpse of how in the Order of Elks the memory of the faithful ones is revered by their survivors. It is an object lesson of the immortality of good works, and is usually calculated to produce in the minds of the listeners the impression that Elkdom is not merely froth and bubbles, but a substantial exponent of the best principles of the heart and mind.

As Christmas approaches the efforts of hundreds of lodges are devoted to provide for the destitute in their respective communities food and the necessities of life, so as to lighten the yuletide season in life's battle. Other lodges provide for the children of the poor, warm clothing, shoes, toys and all that goes to make the life of the youthful brighter and happier. This is done in the pure spirit of charity, and while the Elks-Antler is a chronicler within its limitations of the doings of the subordinate lodges of the order, it has avoided as much as possible from commenting upon the individual lodges engaged in this labor of love. It is not for lack of appreciation of the kindnesses and sympathy that prompts this charity, but rather from the great Elk standpoint that charity should be given without ostentation. Charity that is bestowed quietly and without any flourish of trumpets announcing the gift, makes the giving and receiving sweeter than any press notice could possibly adorn it.

At least fifty thousand poor children were the recipients of the Elks' bounty during the last Christmas festival, and a like number of families were assisted by liberal donations during the same period. The estimate is based upon information in the vicinity of New York, wherein at least twenty thousand children were given substantial donations of clothing, shoes, etc., and a like number of poor families assisted, and this was donated by not more than seventy lodges. As at least 350 lodges beyond the ken of this paper did the same thing, it will be understood that the figures are not overestimated.

Who will say then that there is not a raison d'etre for the existence for such a magnificent factor in charity as this fraternity of ours. We may have our petty differences of opinion relative to laws and politics, but while the great principle of Elkdom holds it sway as at present, everything else is of minor importance.

The struggle for official preferment and the gratification of personal ambition may at times obscure the vista of Elk progress, but so long as Memorial Day is observed with fidelity, and the great principle of the order, charity, is exemplified in the Christmas donations, so long will the Order of Elks remain as a potent factor in the fraternal life of this country. It was founded upon the basis of charity; it has lived by the dispensation of help to those requiring it, and it will continue to live so long as the sentiment of charity is recognized as an emotion of the heart, spontaneous in its action, the reward of which is in self-satisfaction, not in praise or glorification from those who only see in it perfunctory giving, regardless of the impulse.

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HOW THE BOYS TREAT THE GIRLS.

Dear Mr. Editor:—This is not the expression of any one damsel, but the agreed sentiments of each member of the fair sex of our city,—that is every marriageable girl, and many there are!

For an example, take a glance through the audience tomorrow night, count the boys with young ladies who may be there, then look at the two front tiers of seats, every one occupied by the society men of our city. These same young men are highly responsible for the wear and use of many a parlor chair, to say nothing of the gas and light bills that father has to meet on the first. Most of us would not object to this if the conversation was not interspersed with an occasional yawn and a statement that said young man was doing too much society.

Wichita Falls furnishes no gaiety on Sunday nights, thus for weeks ahead each girl has Sunday night dates, but just let a show come to town,—why one girl told me confidentially that she had to work for two weeks on twelve different fellows before she could land one date for a show night, and she is an artist at such!

If you really desire to see the manner in which Wichita girls are esteemed, steal a ride on any one of the four or five cars, you will hear the young ladies ushered into the car with some salutation such as "Hurry up, I'm waiting gasoline on you," or "Get in, if you are going with me." In the course of the ride some fair girl will be asked when she got in and warned if she has anything else to say that she walks lead all the way home.



A. L. Huey, E. R., 1912-1913.

Really, for a girl to be popular she must own a car—if possession had any thing to do with ownership several young men of our city would have auto license to pay. One girl had a date with five fellows for the foot ball game, she owned a car.

The above applies to young men who honor the girls with their company, on the other hand there is a host of men ranging in age from 18 to 50 who are all high class, eligible to matrimony, but who spurn the opposite sex. This select clique may be found seven nights in the week at such stations as the Palace Drug store and Martin's. Their forms of diversion are varied and mystic but most beneficial for once one joins their band he is there forever. To correspond with these boys there are girls spending their evening over a crochet needle or in company with mother and father to the moving pictures.

It seems to me with such a state of affairs that most of us girls who desire to enter those longed for bonds of matrimony had better leave Wichita Falls behind for it will soon become a resort for bachelors and their colleagues.

(Signed) A. Pretty Girl



J. T. Young, E. R., 1913-1915.

Truly Thankful.

I cannot boast that I belong
To any proud alumni;
Nor have I, through the grace of fate,
Artistic triumphs come by.

No social circle swings upon
The edict of my pleasure,
And not a tailor in the town
Is begging for my measure.

No party in the field today
Does to my wish pay deference,
And no political machine
Has shown me special preference.

I cannot brag of having won
Of worldly wealth a bankroll;
Yet, Lord, to Thee upon this day
I am most truly thankful.

My family I can support
By honest daily labors,
And I am not engaged in war—
Not even with my neighbors!

—W. Y. Sheppard.

The editor was very much amazed to receive the following communication which relates to a condition in this city which he can hardly believe possible, and although it is his honest opinion that the writer is angling for a date to the Elks' Minstrel Show, here goes:

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DO YOUR SHOPPING IN THE MORNING

The Other Fellow's Job.

The man behind the harrow, with his jersey full of dirt, looks with ever-growing envy at the merchant's laundered shirt; but the man behind the counter feels the nagging of the trade, and would swap his polished scissors for the farmer's rusty spade. In the night the sleeping doctor hears the clanging of the phone, and, "I wish I were a lawyer," is his aggravated moan; but the lawyer in his nightgown hears the doctor's car go past, and he says: "That lucky doctor must be making money fast!" The man upon the vessel sees the coast-line slowly dwarf, and he longs for terra firma with the man upon the wharf; while the other marks the vessel moving out alone and free, and he longs for boundless freedom with the man upon the sea. The little boy in rompers thinks his daddy first in grace, and he wishes he were grown up with some whiskers on his face; but his daddy feels the burdens of the mortgage and the debts, and he wishes he were Willy in

his baby pantalets! The young man sees his sister, with her money-pending beau, and he says: "If I were sister, I could save a heap of dough!" But the young girl sees her brother, with his volatile fiancé, and she longs to be the owner of the ballot and the pants. Says the peasant in the cottage: "What a grand and happy thing to have the mighty scepter and the station of a king!" Yet I have heard it whispered that the king upon the throne would rather be the peasant with a spirit of his own. So, if your lot is irksome, you can set your pulse atrob just by musing on the virtues of the other fellow's job!

—J. Edward Tuft.

Remember what Elbert Hubbard said: "Be kind, but get the money." In this particular instance this means to sell as many tickets as possible for the Elks' Minstrels.

A. H. Carrigan (Attorney): If Wichita Falls had gone dry in the recent election it would not have prevented



H. A. HODGINS In his dream of "Chicken Rag"

me from handling just as many cases at the bar as formerly.

JUST A FORD.

There was an old man and he had a wooden leg. He had no money and he wouldn't beg; He had a piece of pipe and a twelve-inch board, And he said to himself, "I guess I'll make a Ford."

With a gallon of "gas" and a quart of oil, And a piece of wire to make a coil, Four great big spools and an old tin can, He hammered them together and the darned thing ran.

Love and Logic.

I loved a girl in days of yore— A girl who said me nay Because she loved another more; That's why I went away!

And then I wandered everywhere About this earthy ball, And met a lot of maidens fair, Who held my heart in thrall.

For there were girls in Kankakee, And girls in Rio, too; Wherever chance has landed me Were pretty girls to woo.

In Boston town or far Japan, In Panama and Nome; But each one loved another man— And that's why I came home! —Berton Brale.

E. G. Hill (Exalted Ruler): There is some consolation in the fact that I am one of the few rulers not involved in war at the present time.

Joe Stokes: I want to see the Minstrel show a success and will do what I can to help it along. Should you need any lives wires for instances, I will have the electricians put them in.

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 - C. W. Bean
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WICHITA FALLS IN THE YEAR 2000.
Scene—The Mayor's Office, Time—The Night before Election.

CAST OF CHARACTERS:
EVELYN TEMPLETON (a young lady candidate for mayor) A. L. HUEY
MRS. NORA RILEY (a lady political boss) E. H. WALPOLE
CLARENCE RILEY (her beautiful son) R. J. MARIN
REGINALD REMINGTON (the wronged man) "JUDGE" BONNER

SCENE III.
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P stands for Purity and Peace, and Patriotism, too.
O means the Obligation that shall weigh each to his worth—
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"B stands for Bold, for Beauty, that must govern every thought,
P means the good Prosperity the gracious God has wrought.
O means the Order that should rule at every hearth—
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"B stands for Best, and Best they are who wear the antler prongs;
P for the Pride, and Proud is he that to the Herd belongs.
O for the Oil of kindly words in sadness or in mirth—
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"And written between the lines you'll find a wealth of creed;
Not creed marked down by many words, but deep inscribed by deed.
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"B. P. O. E.—It stands for Good, for Right and Love;
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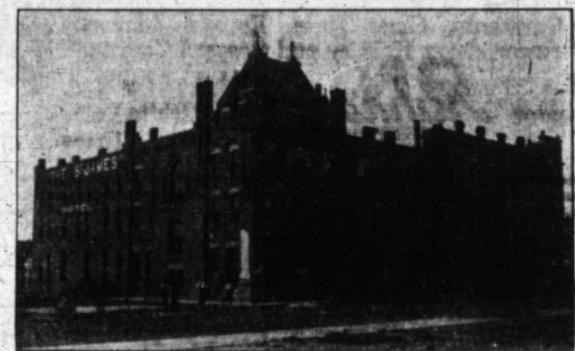
RESOURCES		LIABILITIES	
Loans and Discounts	\$1,325,631.66	Capital Stock	\$ 250,000.00
U. S. Bonds at Par	251,000.00	Surplus and Profits	197,183.23
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	12,750.00	Currency in Circulation	247,300.00
Other stocks and bonds	61,445.07	Bills Payable	100,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	23,647.45	Notes with Federal Bank	72,782.24
Real Estate	21,784.30	Deposits	4,202,831.03
Cash in Bank	\$109,947.05		
Cash with U. S. Treas.	12,500.00	TOTAL	\$2,070,077.20
Cash with other Banks	251,371.67		
TOTAL	\$2,070,077.20		

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(By Elbert Hubbard).
The faults of our Brothers we will write on the sands;
Their virtues on the tablets of love and memory.

I am not a jiner, but if I jine the jiners, I will begin with the Elks, and probably end there.

Without any special written code or creed, the Elks stand for a certain standard of intellect and ethics.

The man with an Elk's tooth on his watch chain or the antlers in his buttonhole has no quarrel with God. He accepts life and finds it good. He may not be so very wise nor so very good, but since he knows that he is not wise and is ready to admit that the is not so very good, he is wiser than he knows and better than he will acknowledge.

Real Elk is Lenient.

The true Elk does not condemn, disparage, nor rip reputations up the back. Realizing his own limitations, he is lenient in his judgments towards those who have been tempted by fate beyond their power to resist. This quality of mercy, I have noticed, is strongly implanted in Elk nature. Your Elk does not weep over his own troubles, but for the stricken souls on earth his tears of pity are near the surface. The Elk loves children, respects old age, and so far as I have seen, doesn't incline especially toward indifference to feminine charms. In many instances I have imagined the Elk revealed a just appreciation of the elevated spheroid. Yet in all your life you never saw one of those sons of Elkdom going off alone and cutting into the grape; his irritation is all in line of good fellowship. And his worst fault lies right here in this line of conviviality; he sometimes overdoes it. But I believe this will hold: No little plimsire of a man ever joined the Elks; he would not feel at home among them. To be an Elk you must have faith in other men, faith in yourself and faith in the universe.

Source of Perpetual Youth.

The Elks all look alike and are of one age. Just what the age is I have not yet made out; it lies somewhere between 50 and 60. No Elk is more than 50, no matter how long he has lived, and none weigh more than 200 pounds. They all have the joyous bubbling heart of youth and no whiskers. Lilies are out of their lives and Galways are tabooed. I never saw an Elk who was very rich excepting in kindness and good cheer, nor did I ever see one circumnavigating on his uppers. They have all the money they need, even if not all they want. They make money and they spend it, and the more they spend the more they seem to make. "Keep the change" is the remark the Elk always has in electrotype. I have been occasionally pained by hearing Elks relate stories that were slightly gamboge, tinted on the edges, but although these tales of perflage had Neufchatel flavor, yet there were always attic supplies to redeem the mass from mortifying microbes. The Elk is not troubled about saving his soul. In fact, he is not troubled about anything. Perhaps this is one distinguishing feature; he does not worry nor shake the red rag of wordy theological warfare. He believes that everything is all right, or nearly so, and that his task is to do his work and not bother other folks any more than he has to. When Ali Baba said, "Blessed is the man who does not bel-lyache," he had a 16-pronged Elk in mind. An Elk takes his medicine—sometimes with a wry face—but he always takes his medicine. He often overcomes temptation by succumbing to it, and if he trips and falls he is up again and joins in the laugh of the bystanders. You cannot down a man who laughs at himself.

The Elks stay right in the game. I never heard of one retiring from business. When death calls for him, the Elk is apt first to sell him a bill of goods and then shake the dice to see who shall pay Charon's toll. The Elk does not seek to pry into the future, for he realizes perfectly well that if he waits he'll know all about it. And for a similar reason he does not chase after women, for he knows if he does not women will chase after him. And they do. There seems to be little danger that this fraternity will evolve into a religion. Most religious people take their religion seriously, but the Elk takes his with seltzer. He knows that truth is the point of view; that all is relative; that nothing is final or absolute, nor can it be in a world where nothing is permanent but change. So the Elk's religion is Now and Here; to partake of all good things in moderation; to give out love and kindness, because these things come back; and to supply a scrap only to the man who repeatedly asks for it, and will accept nothing else—this as a matter of accommodation.

To do good is the first prong in an Elk's creed. And he realizes, being wise, that the best way to benefit yourself is to benefit others. As for myself I am strictly on the hose cart, so I do not affiliate very closely with the boys, but if I were flying light and wanted to borrow ten or maybe twenty, I'd tackle the first Elk I met, without apology or explanation. And my needs to him would be a command, for he is not classish, and he knows a higher joy than to give the other fellow a lift. And all these things I have recorded are set down as a matter of truth forgetting the fact that once at Flint, Michigan, I suffered the deep humiliation of being arrested by the Elks and fined \$2.75 for advertising Quaker Oats without a license.

Verne Clopton has made complaint that his best meal ticket, Lynn Boyd, has decided to quit playing dominoes and pool, and will in future devote his entire time to more lucrative pursuits. Has anyone arrived lately?

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You have no day and know no night,
When it comes to doing the thing that's right.
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"What's de difference between dese yere minstrels and Bert Bean?" "What's the difference between these minstrels and Bert Bean?"—I don't know Mr. Woods, what is it? "Why dese yere minstrels roast dere friends and Bert Bean roasts coffee." Say if his coffee was as stale as dat old joke it 'ud be about like dat I get at de stores sometimes.
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So far as our records show, (and they are very complete on this subject), never before in the history of Wichita Falls has so much interest been taken in a theatrical performance by the men of wealth, learning and achievement throughout the country. Telegrams of congratulation on the success of the Elk's Minstrel show to be held at the Wichita Theater on the evenings of December 1st and 2d, have been pouring into the editorial office for the past week and a few of the country's great men have signified that they will be present. Here are some samples:

Special to the Booster.
U. S. of America, Nov. 28, 1915.—The inventor of the Elks did a good job. I wouldn't miss your show if I were to discover the secret of perpetual youth. Will bring along a pulmotor to revive those who succumb from laughter.
THOMAS A. EDISON.

Special to the Booster.
Somewhere in New York away from the crowd, Nov. 29, 1915.—Will be present to lend a little light to the occasion. What is more, assure the brothers that there will be no advance in the price of oil because I am making the trip. Is Charlie Bean well?
JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER.

Special to the Booster.
New Haven, Conn., Nov. 27, 1915.—I am going to attend the Elk's Big show. Count on me, but be sure and have a special chair made to receive my frame. Also make special arrangements with the Golf club committee for me to spend a day on their golf links.
EX-PRESIDENT TAFT.

Special to the Booster.
Oyster Bay, Nov. 29, 1915.—May everybody be as progressive as you Elks. Delighted. Nothing short of the White House chair or a wolf hunt would keep me away. See that Bill Taft don't sit in front of me as I want to see the show. Also keep the news of my coming away from Judge Scurry, Leopold and the other political bugs. Notify Judge Bonner.
T. R. ROOSEVELT.

Special to the Booster.
San Antonio and Florida, Nov. 27, 1915.—Received your telegram. Although the attraction here is strong, will be there nevertheless. Reserve seats for two, as I am not coming alone. However, there is many a slip between the cup and the lip, and I might.
N. HENDERSON.

New York City, November 29, 1915.—In the face of the fact that it will cost me \$1,000,256.45 in time, to leave here for a couple of days, I cannot be present at your wonderful show, which I heard about. If I do decide to come let it be known to all newspaper men that it will be useless to try to interview me on the subject of the country's finances. Regards to J. A. Kemp.
J. P. MORGAN, JR.

Special to the Booster.
Austin, Tex., Nov. 30, 1915.—If all goes well on the border, and no convicts escape, I will be there, that is if there are no prohibition elections scheduled. I have advised that your show is the biggest thing in the state. F. B. Marlow wired me. Is he reliable?
GOV. FERGUSON.

Special to the Booster.
Washington, D. C., Nov. 29, 1915.—Owing to the troubled state of things generally and the probable close proximity of war in particular as well as to the fact that I have an important engagement to fill (matrimonial), it will be impossible for me to attend your wonderful show, much as I would like to do so. However, I will send Bill McDonald to represent me and he can quiet A. L. Huey if he sings too loud.
PRES. WILSON.

Special to the Booster.
Anywhere in the U. S., Nov. 29, 1915.—I have heard of the Elk's show in your city and would like to know how much you can pay me to lend the prestige of my presence. Am sure that you will make me a good offer as I can bring the crowds. Would \$1.15 be too much, and can Dr. Amason help me?
BILLY SUNDAY.

Special to the Editor of the Booster.
Ford Factory, Michigan, Nov. 29, 1915.—Having heard of the wonderful performance that you Elks are to give at the Wichita Theater, I want you to reserve me some seats. Please see that there will be no fights as I am in favor of peace. Does Mayor Britain own a Ford, and if not could I sell him one?
HENRY FORD.

The above are only a few of the many messages the editor has received. Space alone prevents us from publishing more. However, these indicate what a monster success the show is going to be. You can't afford to miss it!

As an after performance to the Big Elks Minstrel Show, two of Wichita Falls' handsomest Elks will render a pathetic playlet entitled, "Mutt and Jeff at the Battle of Who Run." This feature will be of interest in view of the European war now raging and also on account of the Mexican conflict. Brothers Hartsook and Katz will play the title roles with their usual matchless forms.

LATER—Horace Nutt, who knows the editor quite well, has sent word that this part of the program will not be permitted to be shown.

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A huge treat is in store for the Wichita Falls public on Wednesday and Thursday nights, December 1st and 2d. Miller and Draper, under whose direction many successful shows have been staged in former years in this city are the producing company again this year, and they are the producers of the up-to-date minstrel shows staged by the leading Elks lodges of this country. Their equipment is the best that the art of the scenic painter and the stage costumer can produce. Thousands of dollars are invested in their gorgeous productions, and the value of their shows is well known to Elks and their friends. Year after year they are staging the annual shows for the biggest lodges of the country, and, last spring, Chicago had a show under their management.

No professional minstrel show can equal this one in the excellence of its scenery and costumes. With a color scheme that appeals to the artistic and exacting natures, the grand minstrel part is replete with snappy music, side-splitting jokes and gags, and moving with the speed and precision of a perfect machine. The show lacks all the drawbacks of the usual amateur productions. There are no waits in this show—no drags.

Several of the liveliest wires in the city have been shooting the peppery rag time numbers in manner to make Lew Dockstader and his associates grow pale with envy under their three layers of burnt cork. This is no "josh," the end men are simply eating the stuff and will lose the snappiest line of stuff ever handed out to the public of this community.

We want to warn everybody in the audience that the usual precautions are to be observed. For example the bass drummer has already requested that the gentlemen in the audience see that the buttons on their waistcoats are securely sewed on before coming to the performances, because he says that the bursting of said buttons in their paroxysms of glee seriously interferes with his getting in his drum beats at the right time.

With all due regard for the past we venture to state that this show will be the "doggondest" ever pulled off in the good "old burg." The handsomest, slickest, most tuneful chorus ever collected in the state will pour big "gobs" of melody over the footlights in a manner to make the Metropolitan grand opera chorus look like a "selling plater in a handicap race." And believe me, Genevieve, they have some music. The latest successes straight from old New York are being mastered, and in an original manner.

The second part is of an excellence commensurate with that of the opening, and several high class acts are to be presented. It is the second part of a minstrel show that is the criterion by which such shows are to be judged. Miller & Draper have all royalty acts that are costing them considerable money to use in these productions.

One of the features of the show will be a skit entitled "Wichita Falls in the year 2000 A. D." This is positively one of the funniest of side-splitting farces, and in the capable hands of Messrs. Bonner, Huey, Martin and Walpole, has reached a high mark of theatrical perfection. This act was once a big hit on "Big Time" vaudeville, until Miller and Draper, at a big price, procured it for exclusive use on their productions. The four prominent Elks in this act were chosen for their respective capabilities, and the way they handle the intricate and subtle passages of this little drama bespeaks the cleverness of the local actors.

And then the ladies! One should not neglect the young ladies, who contribute so much to the brilliance and color of this production. Sixteen of Wichita Falls' most prominent young ladies aid the show with their dancing and singing. Their bright costumes will do much to make this show a spectacle of color and beauty.

In the Tuxedo act, opportunity is given for demonstration of clever Theatrical ability. Clever lines and interesting situations arise, all of which are skilfully worked to the grand climax, the great minstrel part, which closes the show with a bang.

Our balladists portraying vocally the symphony of celestial spheres will charm and entrance the audience. Orpheus with his flute had nothing on the super-Caruso's and hyper-Ruffin's.

On the level the show is a "peach," ten dollars worth of fun and frolic, a veritable melting pot of funny stuff, harmony and melody. Everybody should see this show. A panacea for all the ills of the human family. One application guaranteed to work complete recovery from the "blues." Bring the wife and children, they'll bless you forever afterwards.

Get your tickets and reserve them early. Thousands of expectant people are waiting to see this show.

Let 'er buck!

Efforts have been made to induce J. B. Marlow to sing a couple of songs at the Elk's Show, but he insists that he has not yet delivered the Wichita Theater to the Markowitz Brothers and that he is afraid that he might bring down the house. (A brick at a time.)

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