

TEUTONIC FORCES PREPARE TO MEET ALLIES IN BALKANS

EARLY ATTACKS ON FRENCH AND ENGLISH FORCES IN SOUTHERN SERBIA IS EXPECTED SOON

MONTENEGRIANS RETIRE SLOWLY

Are Offering Determined Resistance to Invaders—Serbian Retreat into Albania Continues With Great Difficulty and Hardship

By Associated Press. London, Dec. 8.—With the Serbian armies in retreat behind the Albanian and Montenegrin frontiers, it is reported the bulk of the German and Bulgarian armies is being concentrated against the allied armies holding the southeast corner of Serbia. Heavy fighting has been in progress there for the last few days.

There is no confirmation of hints from various sources that the French troops have been forced definitely to abandon the positions held by them since the beginning of the campaign. The fall of Monastir and the southward progress of German and Bulgarian forces, however, have placed the northern wing of the French expedition in a precarious situation and withdrawal from the angle formed by the Vardar and Cerna rivers apparently has begun.

Constant arrival of fresh forces and war materials at Saloniki gives evidence that the allies have no intention of abandoning their efforts in this region.

Although the Germans have announced the capture of Ipeo in Montenegro, the pursuing Austrian and German armies evidently are confronted with a harder task on the Montenegrin frontier than elsewhere. The Montenegrins continue to offer spirited resistance and to check the invaders wherever possible by sharp counter attacks.

In Albania, the Serbians who have been compelled to leave behind quantities of war material, appear incapable of organized resistance. Even an orderly retreat is made difficult as the Serbians are encumbered with large numbers of civilians and prisoners, and according to some reports have been set upon by Albanians.

The latest dispatches state that the French are bringing heavy guns into action in the Strumitsa section, causing the Bulgarians to retire with heavy losses. A battle of large proportions between the Bulgarian and Franco-British troops appears to be pending.

The presence of German troops in southern Serbia near the Greek frontier is announced in Athens advices. Port Coronee, one of the most important of the old defenses of Namur, Belgium, has been destroyed by an explosion, according to Amsterdam reports. The explosion is said to have killed 80 German soldiers.

The French war office at Paris, in its report this afternoon on hostilities in Serbia, recites the driving back of a Bulgarian attack at Dimerkapou on the Vardar river on the afternoon of December 5th.

NEGRO FOUND LURKING NEAR HOUSE IS CAPTURED

A negro who was seen last night at the back door of the residence of Mrs. L. H. Mathis at 1016 Fourteenth street and who later tried the back door of an adjoining house was found hiding in a space formed between the houses and a fence across Fourteenth street from the Mathis residence.

A small boy saw the negro at the rear of the Mathis residence between ten and eleven o'clock. He was later seen at the rear of the house next adjoining the Mathis residence on Austin street. Ralph and Eugene Mathis, the latter armed with a shot gun, slipped between the two houses to the rear when they did so they saw the negro emerge from behind a bed of canas. They commanded him to halt. Instead of doing so he ran. Eugene fired a shot into the air to halt him but this only accelerated the negro's speed. As he crossed the street his shirt came off. The police were summoned and found the negro, shirtless, cowering in the dark nook formed by the two houses and the fence.

NEW SPANISH CABINET IS TO BE ORGANIZED SHORTLY

Will Replace Ministry Which Resigned Monday—Romanones To Be Premier

By Associated Press. Madrid, Dec. 8.—King Alfonso today consulted with the president of the Chamber and the Senate and the Liberal leaders concerning the formation of a cabinet to take the place of the Dato cabinet, which resigned Monday. The opinion prevailing tonight was that the new cabinet would be formed from two sections of the Liberal party under the premiership of Count Romanones.

CHANGES IN INCOME TAX LAW PROPOSED

SECRETARY OF TREASURY McADOO SUBMITS HIS ANNUAL REPORT TODAY

FINDS EVASIONS PLENTIFUL

Recommends Stricter Measures—Cites Many Evidences of Country's Prosperous Condition

By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., Dec. 8.—Radical changes in the income tax to reach thousands not now subject to its provisions and to improve the machinery of collection were suggested to Congress today in the annual report of Secretary McAdoo as means by which the greater part of the additional revenue needed to pay for the administration national defense plans can be provided. The secretary proposed to lower exemption limits so as to tax married persons with incomes as low as \$3,000 and single persons with \$2,000 incomes. The exemptions now are \$4,000 and \$3,000 respectively. Increases in the collection force, a requirement that returns must be made of gross income in place of net income and a change so that the tax shall not be withheld at the source, were among Mr. McAdoo's other suggestions. He made no estimate of the number of persons who might be taxed if the amendments were adopted nor the amount that might be expected but in connection with his request for a larger collection force he pointed out that examination of the past personal and corporation returns showed that 63 per cent of those inspected disclosed that additional tax was due the government. On the basis of the examination, the secretary says that approximately more than \$4,600,000 in personal tax and more than \$20,891,000 in corporation tax still is due the government.

Collections Not Complete. "Many inaccurate returns are made," said the report, "some deliberately and some ignorantly and there are without doubt, wholesale evasions of the law throughout the country. It is absolutely certain that the government is losing through inaccurate returns and evasions of the law a sum many times greater than the cost of the necessary field force to investigate and check the returns and to bring to account those who are failing to make returns as required by law."

In keeping with his recent announcement Mr. McAdoo suggested the present stamp tax and the existing duty on raw sugar should be retained in force and said again that no issue of bonds is necessary either to provide for current expenses or in anticipation of added burdens incident to a policy of military preparedness.

"The policy of providing for the expenditures of the government by taxation and not by bond issues," said the report, "is undoubtedly a sound one and should be adhered to. A nation no more than an individual can go constantly into debt, for current expenditures without eventually impairing credit. A wise, sound and permanent policy of raising the additional revenue required for preparedness and the expenditures of the government should therefore be devised and adopted."

Mr. McAdoo expressed the belief that with a return of peace in Europe customs receipts which fell off \$86,000,000 in the last year will increase and that the legislation suggested, with a provision to make the surtax of the income tax law applicable at \$10,000 instead of \$20,000, the whole or part of the additional revenues can be raised. Taxes on gasoline, crude and refined oils, horsepower of automobiles and "various other things" are suggested as further revenue raising measures.

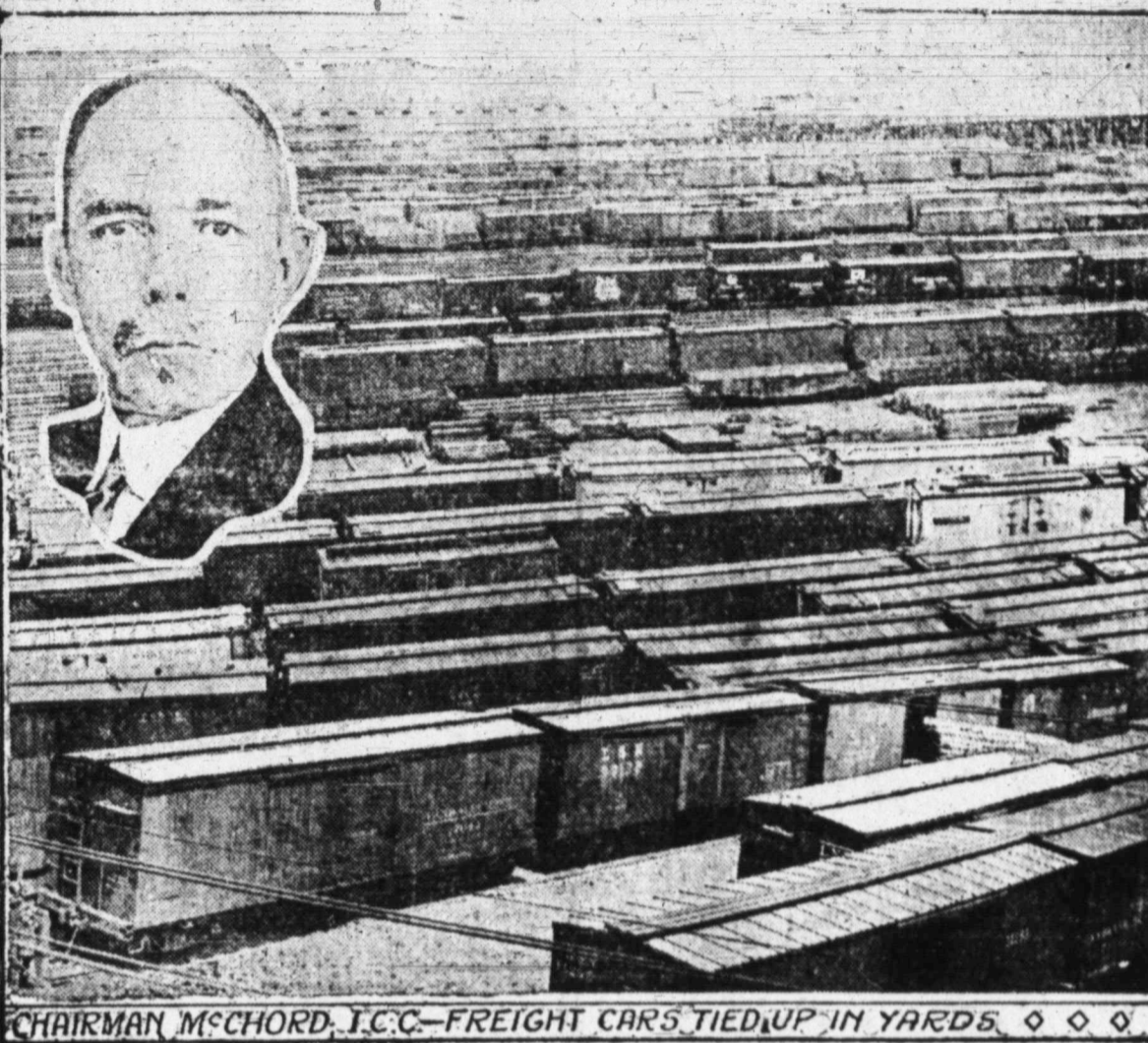
Estimates of Preparedness. The total estimated appropriations for the fiscal year which begins July 1, next, Mr. McAdoo puts at \$1,285,857,808 including \$316,244,879 for the postoffice which is reimbursable and about \$20,000,000 more for the Panama Canal and sinking fund. Receipts for the same year based on existing law without extension of the sugar duty or the emergency tax Mr. McAdoo puts at \$580,200,000 and ordinary disbursements at \$832,901,500 leaving an excess of disbursements over receipts if legislation is not passed to change conditions of \$252,701,000. As explained in his recent statement however, that amount would be reduced to about \$50,000,000 by the extension of the emergency and sugar tax laws.

Secretary McAdoo's report says the people of the United States have reason to congratulate themselves on the financial and business condition of the country after the serious situation which confronted them a year ago.

"The European war produced inevitable suffering in this country as well as in Europe," said the secretary. "Our industrial situation was for a time, seriously hurt, and the cotton growing states of the South sustained heavy losses through declines in the price of cotton. Every power of the government was exercised to mitigate the situation and I believe it is not inexact to say that but for the active agency of the government in protecting and con-

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Thousands Of Freight Cars Tied Up. Railroaders Seek Means Of Moving Them



CHAIRMAN McCHORD, I.C.C.—FREIGHT CARS TIED UP IN YARDS.

The presidents and other officials of railroads having freight terminals on the Atlantic seaboard are working hard to prevent the situation from growing more serious. All of the Atlantic ports are threatened with a more serious congestion than now exists, and it was asserted that a general embargo might be declared by all of the affected railroads upon certain commodities of export trade. The railroads will do everything possible to avoid such an embargo, it was said, and they are looking for aid to the interstate commerce commission, of which body Charles C. McChord is chairman.

CHARTER MAY NOT DELIMIT SEGREGATED DISTRICT

Supreme Court Reverses and Remands Case From El Paso on This Point.

By Associated Press. Austin, Texas, Dec. 8.—In reversing and remanding the case of Frank A. Spencer et al against W. H. Penhler et al from El Paso county the supreme court today held that a city operating under a special charter has no right or power to designate a restricted or segregated district where houses of ill fame may flourish.

This decision is quite important as it affects other Texas cities in the same situation. The El Paso case was appealed from the decision of the district judge of the 41st district denying a temporary writ of injunction against alleged disorderly houses and bawdy houses in El Paso, a city having a special charter. The supreme court today reversed that judgment and remanded the case with instructions to grant a temporary injunction.

HYDROAEROPLANE RIDE IS EXCITING FOR WICHITAN

An aerial ride with some uncalled for additional thrills was experienced by J. G. Culbertson of this city while in San Diego recently. He went up as a passenger in a hydro-aeroplane on the beach of San Diego and had ascended to a height of about 100 feet when something went wrong with the engine; it flew to pieces, fouling the propeller and damaging the planes. The machine dropped like a rock to the water below, landing right side up and with its occupants unharmed. Only a few minutes before the aviator had made a long flight in the machine and it had apparently been in excellent condition.

CIVIC LEAGUE DISCUSSES SANITARY CONDITIONS HERE

Steps to secure better sanitary conditions in the meat markets, groceries and dairies from which the food supply of this city comes, were discussed Tuesday afternoon at a meeting of the Civic League at the home of Mrs. J. A. Richolt. The matter was gone over thoroughly, and action to secure better conditions is planned.

ORCHARD "CLEANUP" IN DALLAS COUNTY BEGINS

Dallas, Texas, Dec. 8.—Six experts from the governmental demonstration department at College Station, divided into three teams, of two men each, under the direction of Clarence Orsley, were to arrive in Dallas today to begin work in Dallas county in the orchard cleanup and crop diversification campaign, now being waged in Texas. The men were to spend today and tomorrow at various centers in the county.

RAID UPON LIQUOR SHIPMENTS MADE BY U. S. MARSHALS

SIX ARRESTS ARE MADE AND TWO AUTOMOBILE LOADS OF WET GOODS ARE SEIZED BY FEDERAL OFFICERS HERE

LIES IN WAIT SEVERAL DAYS

Keeps Watch in Room Until Patient is Rewarded—Employees of Local Wholesale House—Are Among Those Arrested

Two automobiles loaded with intoxicating liquors were seized and their drivers and four other persons placed under arrest by four United States deputy marshals here shortly before noon today. The raid took place in the alley back of a wholesale liquor house on Indiana avenue between Seventh and Eighth streets. The automobiles were being loaded up at the time.

United States Deputy Marshal Brazil of the eastern district of Oklahoma with headquarters at Ardmore, headed the raiding party. A helper in the wholesale liquor house, and the negro porter were helping four other persons load the liquor into the automobiles when suddenly the four marshals appeared on the scene and placed the whole party under arrest. Two of the marshals at once left with the two automobiles, the seized liquor and four of those arrested for Fort Worth. While no statement could be obtained it is reported that four of the men will be charged with transporting intoxicants into the Indian Territory.

The proprietor of the wholesale liquor house has been summoned to Fort Worth as a witness and left on the afternoon train for that place. A helper in his place and the negro porter were taken to Fort Worth this afternoon by one of the deputy marshals. The arrests were made so quickly and with such little stir that few people knew anything about it.

It was learned this afternoon that deputy U. S. marshals from Oklahoma have been here for more than a week waiting to seize the men whom they had suspected of transporting liquor into the Indian territory. When Deputy U. S. Marshal Brazil appeared with the raiders he wore a beard a weeks growth, having been sequestered for that time in the back room of a rooming house over the building occupied by the liquor house where he has been watching the loading of automobiles and other vehicles with liquor.

Several months ago the owners and several employees of a wholesale liquor house which has since changed hands were arrested by federal marshals on a charge of conspiracy to transport liquors into the Indian Territory and were indicted but upon trial they were acquitted.

ANOTHER FRENCH TRENCH IS CAPTURED BY GERMANS

Position North of Souain in Champagne District, According to Berlin Report.

By Associated Press. Berlin, Dec. 8.—Capture of a French position more than five hundred yards in length on hill No. 193 north of Souain in the Champagne district is announced by German army headquarters today.

McADOO'S NAME IS USED IN NEW HAVEN TRIAL TODAY

As Private Citizen He Saw Nothing Wrong in Boston and Maine Transaction

By Associated Press. New York, Dec. 8.—William G. McAdoo, secretary of the treasury, saw nothing wrong while a private citizen in the acquisition of the Boston & Maine Railway by the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad. His view in the matter was disclosed in the form of a letter read by the defense at the trial of eleven former directors of the New Haven road.

The letter was written by Mr. McAdoo to Charles S. Mellen, on June 14, 1907 at the time the New Haven had acquired a majority of the Boston & Maine stock. Mr. McAdoo congratulated the then New Haven president on the progress made in getting the stock.

GERMANY'S TERMS OF PEACE ARE OUTLINED

By Associated Press. Berlin, Dec. 8.—At a caucus today of the Free Conservative members of the Reichstag resolutions were adopted "demanding as the price of peace Germany be strengthened in her position of power and importance at large recompense for its expenditures, and the retention to the utmost extent possible of all districts now occupied."

Freedom of the seas also is demanded. The party expresses regret of the increase in prices of necessities but declares the cost of living is lower in this country than in the countries with which Germany is at war. It is said there is sufficient food for the people if distributed properly and used economically. The resolutions declare the war must be continued "until a decisive victory has been won."

PREPAREDNESS NOT PARTISAN MEASURE

NO DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS ON THE SUBJECT IS LIKELY TO BE HELD.

SUPPORT FROM REPUBLICANS

Gallinger Says Will Favor a Stronger Army and Navy—Oppose Merchant Marine Plan

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 8.—Congress was not in session today both houses having adjourned until Friday in order to complete the organizations of working committees. Republicans will make no partisan fight on the national defense program if it not framed by the Democrats in caucus. Senator Gallinger, the Republican leader told President Wilson today that the Republicans want the army and navy strengthened and are willing to co-operate with the Democrats. Later Mr. Gallinger said President Wilson had told him he would not approve of the Democratic caucus making the defense plans party measures.

DECEMBER GINNING REPORT SHOWS TOTAL OF 9,711,453

2,777,581 Bales in Texas, Nearly One Million Less Than at Same Time in 1914

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 8.—The sixth cotton ginning report of the season, compiled from reports of census bureau correspondents and agents throughout the cotton belt and issued at 10 a. m., today announced that 9,711,453 bales of cotton counting round as half bales, of the growth of 1915 has been ginned prior to December 1. That compares with 13,973,286 bales or 82.2 per cent of the entire crop, ginned prior to December 1 last year, 12,088,412 bales or 86.5 per cent in 1914 and 11,854,541 bales or 87.3 per cent in 1913. The average quantity of cotton ginned prior to December 1 in the last ten years was 10,691,933 bales or 83.4 per cent of the crop.

Included in the ginnings were 93,361 round bales compared with 97,682 last year, 86,878 in 1913 and 73,030 in 1912.

Sea Island cotton included numbered 27,161 bales compared with 65,024 last year, 61,049 in 1913 and 51,275 in 1912.

Ginnings prior to December 1 by states, with comparisons for the last three years and the percentage of the entire crop ginned in those states prior to the date in the same years, follow:

Table with columns: State, Year, Bales, Per Ct. Rows include Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, and All Other States.

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BOND ISSUE MAY BE FOUND INVALID BY ATTORNEY GENERAL

UNCONFIRMED REPORT THAT DISAPPROVAL OF \$225,000 VOTED FOR NEW COURT HOUSE MAY BE EXPECTED

CALLED FOR DOUBLE PURPOSE

"Building and Equipping" Clause May Result in Knocking Out of Bonds—Another Election is Considered Probable

A representative of a bonding company living in Wichita Falls is reported to have received a letter from the state attorney general's office saying that the \$225,000 bond issue recently voted here for building and equipping a new court house was invalid for the reason that the bonds were voted for a dual purpose, namely: "building and equipping."

The bond representative who is reported to have received the letter is out of town so that an authoritative statement could not be obtained today. Some who had examined the statutes and decisions relative to bond issues had previously raised the question of the dual purpose for which the bonds were voted, and it is said that this would have formed the basis of a contest by parties opposing the bonds if the attorney general had approved them.

NEGRO MAN AND WOMAN BOUND OVER FOR ROBBERY

Payment of Two Dollar Debt Exposes Victims Role and He is Hurt When Fight Follows

Sylvester and Lillie McDowell, negroes, said to be brother and sister, were bound over to the grand jury after an examining trial before Justice Howard yesterday afternoon. The bond of Sylvester was placed at \$1000 and the bond of Lillie at \$500. They are charged with the robbery of a negro named Boyd whom Sylvester McDowell cut with a knife on the head and in other parts of the body. According to the testimony of a witness who arrived while the two negroes were attacking Boyd, Sylvester McDowell explained that Boyd owed his sister two dollars and he was trying to collect it. Boyd said that he had just paid the woman two dollars and that when he did so she saw fifty dollars in bills that he carried. A few minutes later, he said, the two negroes attacked him and took the fifty dollars. Judge Howard in binding Sylvester McDowell over expressed the opinion that the testimony warranted a charge of white-slavery being filed against him.

BOY FALLS FROM VIADUCT IS PAINFULLY INJURED

Fred George, a messenger boy employed by the Western Union Telegraph Company fell with his bicycle from the railroad right of way into the viaduct at Fourth street yesterday severely spraining both ankles, sustaining severe bruises and other injuries. Instead of riding in the street it appears that the boy had tried to cross the viaduct on the railroad right of way and in some manner lost his balance and fell with his wheel to the pavement twenty feet or more below. A farmer passing through the viaduct found him unconscious on the pavement.

ST. LOUIS GETS CONVENTION; RESERVATIONS BEING MADE

Some Prospective Delegates Are Already Reserving Their Rooms For Democratic Meeting

By Associated Press. St. Louis, Dec. 8.—News that the Democratic National convention had been awarded to St. Louis had hardly been received here last night when telegrams from all parts of the country seeking hotel accommodations for convention week began pouring in. Among those who made reservations were the Michigan, Maryland and Louisiana state committees. The convention will begin June 14.

# PREPAREDNESS IS KEYNOTE OF PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE READ TO CONGRESS TODAY

## NEW DOCTRINE OF PAN-AMERICANISM URGED BY WILSON

SAYS NATION MUST DEFEND NOT ONLY ITS OWN INDEPENDENCE BUT RIGHTS OF THOSE WHOSE CAUSE IS SIMILAR

## ALIEN PLOTTERS ARE SCORED

Drastic Means For Dealing With Them Advocated—Internal Taxation Proposed to Meet Needs For Increased Revenues

From Tuesday's Daily.

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 7.—A doctrine of Pan-Americanism—of full partnership between the nations of the Western Hemisphere in world-affairs—was proclaimed by President Wilson today in his third annual address to Congress, the theme of which was preparedness by the United States to defend not only its own independence but the rights of those with whom it has made common cause. The message was read by the president to the Senate and House assembled in joint session in the chamber of the House.

Every recommendation embodied in the document had to do with comprehensive plans for strengthening the national defenses. The program included the army and navy plans already made public by Secretaries Garrison and Daniels; legislation for government owned merchant ships; a rural credit bill; the Philippine and Porto Rico bills which failed of final passage at the last session; conservation legislation; a law giving federal aid to industrial and vocational education; and the creation of the sea, which had then only begun the transportation problem.

Naturalized and native born Americans who, sympathizing with belligerents abroad, have plotted and conspired to violate their own country's neutrality were scathingly denounced by the president and Congress was urged to provide adequate federal laws to deal with such offenders.

Internal taxation was proposed as the means of providing the money necessary to add to the naval and military establishments. Sources of taxation suggested were incomes, gasoline, naphtha, automobiles and internal explosion engines, fabricated iron and steel and a stamp tax on bank checks. Extension of the war revenue bill and continuance of the present tariff on sugar were recommended and the sale of bonds opposed.

The president's message follows: Gentlemen of the Congress: Since I last had the privilege of addressing you on the state of the Union the war of nations on the other side of the sea, which had then only begun to disclose its portentous proportions, has extended its threatening and sinister scope until it has swept within its flame some portion of every quarter of the globe, not excepting our own hemisphere, has altered the whole face of international affairs, and now presents a prospect of reorganization and reconstruction such as statesmen and peoples have never been called upon to attempt before.

We have stood apart, studiously neutral. It was our manifest duty to do so. Not only did we have no part or interest in the policies which seem to have brought the conflict on; it was necessary, if a universal catastrophe was to be avoided, that a limit should be set to the sweep of destructive war and that some part of the great family of nations should keep the processes of peace alive, if only to prevent collective economic ruin and the breakdown throughout the world of the industries by which its populations are fed and sustained. It was manifestly the duty of the self-governed nations of this hemisphere to redress, if possible, the balance of economic loss and confusion in the other, if they could do nothing more. In the day of readjustment and recuperation we earnestly hope and believe that they can be of infinite service.

The Spirit of Neutrality. In this neutrality to which they were bidden not only by their separate life and their habitual detachment from the policies of Europe but also by a clear perception of international duty, the states of America have become conscious of a new and more vital community of interest and moral partnership in affairs, more clearly conscious of the many common sympathies and interests and duties which bid them stand together.

There was a time in the early days of our own great nation and of the republics fighting their way to independence in Central and South America when the government of the United States looked upon itself as in some sort the guardian of the republics to the south of her as against any encroachments or efforts at political control from the other side of the water; felt it its duty to play the part even without invitation from them; and I think that we can claim that the task was undertaken

with a true and disinterested enthusiasm for the freedom of the Americas, and the unmoored self government of her independent peoples. But it was always difficult to maintain such a role without offence to the pride of the peoples whose freedom of action we sought to protect, and without provoking serious misconceptions on our motives, and every thoughtful man of affairs must welcome the altered circumstances of the new day in whose light we now stand, when there is no claim of guardianship or thought of wards but instead, a full and honorable association as of partners between ourselves and our neighbors, in the interest of all America, north and south. Our concern for the independence and prosperity of the states of Central and South America is not altered. We retain unabated the spirit that has inspired us throughout the whole life of our government and which was so frankly put into words by President Monroe. We still mean always to make a common cause of national independence and of political liberty in America. But that purpose is now better understood so far as it concerns ourselves. It is known not to be a selfish purpose. It is known to have in it no thought of taking advantage of any weakness in this hemisphere or playing its political fortunes for our own benefit. All the governments of America stand so far as we are concerned, upon a footing of genuine equality and unquestioned independence.

The Mexican Situation. We have been put to the test in the case of Mexico, and we have stood the test. Whether we have benefited Mexico by the course we have pursued remains to be seen. Her fortunes are in her own hands. But we have at least proved that we will not take advantage of her in her distress and undertake to impose upon her an order and government of our own choosing. Liberty is often a fierce and intractable thing to which no bounds can be set, and to which no bounds of a few men's choosing ought ever to be set. Every American who has drunk at the true fountains of principle and tradition must subscribe without reservation to the doctrine of the Virginia bill of rights, which in the great days in which our government was set up was everywhere amongst us accepted as the creed of free men. That doctrine is "That government is, or ought to be, instituted for the common benefit, protection and security of the people, nation, or community; that of all the various modes and forms of government that is the best which is capable of producing the greatest degree of happiness and safety, and is most effectually secured against the danger of maladministration; and that, when any government shall be found inadequate or contrary to these purposes, a majority of the community hath an inalienable and indefeasible right to reform, alter or abolish it, in such manner as shall be judged most conducive to the public weal." We have unhesitatingly applied that heroic principle to the case of Mexico and now hopefully await the rebirth of the troubled Republic, which had so much of which to justify itself and so little sympathy from any outside quarter in the radical but necessary process. We will aid and befriend Mexico, but we will not coerce her; and our course with regard to her ought to be sufficient proof to all America that we seek no political suzerainty or selfish control.

The moral is, that the states of America are not hostile rivals but co-operating friends and that their growing sense of community of interest, alike in matters political and in matters economic, is likely to give them a new significance as factors in international affairs and in the political history of the world. It presents them as in a very deep and true sense a unit in world affairs, spiritual partners standing together because thinking together, quick and with common sympathies and common ideals. Separated they are subject to all the cross-currents of the confused politics of a world of hostile rivalries; united in spirit and purpose they cannot be disappointed of their own destiny.

This is Pan-Americanism. It has none of the spirit of empire in it. It is the embodiment, the actual embodiment of the spirit of law and independence and liberty and mutual respect. The Pan Americanism Idea. A very notable body of men recently met in the city of Washington, at the invitation and as the guests of this government, whose deliberations are likely to be looked back to as marking a memorable turning point in the history of America. They were representative spokesmen of the several independent states of this hemisphere and were assembled to discuss the financial and commercial relations of the republics of the two continents which nature and political fortune have so intimately linked together. I earnestly recommend to your personal and of the actions of their committees. You will get from them, I think, a fresh conception of the ease and intelligence and advantage with which Americans of both continents may draw together in practical co-operation and of what the material foundations of this hopeful partnership of interest must consist of how we should build them and of how necessary it is that we should hasten their building.

There is, I venture to point out, an especial significance just now at

taching to this whole matter of drawing the Americas together in bonds of honorable partnership and mutual advantage because of the economic readjustment which the world must inevitably witness within the next generation, when peace shall have at last resumed its healthful tasks. In the performance of these tasks, I believe the Americas to be destined to play their parts together. I am interested to fix your attention on this prospect now because unless you take it within your view and permit the full significance of it to command your thought I cannot find the right light in which to set forth the particular matter that lies at the very front of my whole thought as I address you today. I mean national defense.

No one who really comprehends the spirit of the great people for whom we are appointed to speak can fail to perceive that their passion is for peace, their genius best displayed in the practice of the arts of Peace. Great democracies are not belligerent. They do not seek or desire war. Their thought is of individual liberty and of the free labor that supports life and the uncensored thought that quickens it. Conquest and dominion are not in our reckoning or agreeable to our principles. But just because we demand unmoored development and the undisturbed government of our own rights upon our own principles of liberty and respect, we resent, from whatever quarter it may come, the aggression we ourselves will not practice. We insist upon security in prosecuting our self-chosen lines of national development. We do more than that. We demand it also for others. We do not confine our enthusiasm for individual liberty and free national development to the incidents and movements of affairs which affect only ourselves. We feel it wherever there is a people that tries to walk in these difficult paths of independence and right. From the first we have made common cause with all partisans of liberty on this side of the sea, and have deemed it as important that our neighbors should be free from all outside domination as that we ourselves should be; have set America aside as a whole for the uses of independent nations and political freedom.

War's Changing Conditions. Out of such thoughts grow all our policies. We regard war merely as a means of asserting the rights of a people against aggression, and we are as fiercely jealous of executive or dictatorial power within our own nation as of aggression from without. We will not maintain a standing army except for uses which are as necessary in times of peace as in times of war; and we shall always see to it that our military peace establishment is no larger than is actually and continuously needed for the uses of days in which no enemies move against us. But we do believe in a body of free citizens ready and sufficient to take care of themselves and of the governments which they have set up to serve them. In our constitutions ourselves we have commanded that "the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed" and our confidence has been that our safety in times of danger would lie in the rising of the nation to take care of itself, as the farmers rose at Lexington.

But war has never been a mere matter of men and guns. It is a thing of discipline and order, and citizens are ever to fight effectively upon a sudden summons, they must know how modern fighting is done and what to do when the summons comes to render themselves immediately available and immediately effective. And the government must be their servant in this matter, must supply them with the training and need to take care of themselves and of it. The military arm of their government which they will not allow to direct them, they may properly use to serve them and make their independence secure—and not their own independence merely but the rights also of those with whom they have made common cause, should they also be put in jeopardy. They must be fitted to play the great role in the world, and particularly in this hemisphere, for which they are qualified by principle and by chastened ambition to play.

It is with these ideals in mind that the plans of the department of defense were conceived which will be laid before you, and which I urge you to sanction and put into effect as soon as they can be properly scrutinized and discussed. They seem to me the essential first steps, and they seem to me for the present sufficient.

Nation's Military Needs. They contemplate an increase of the standing force of the regular army from its present strength of five thousand and twenty-three officers and one hundred and twenty-five enlisted men of all services to a strength of seven thousand one hundred and thirty-six officers and seven hundred and seven enlisted men or 74,834, all told, all services, rank and file, by the addition of fifty-two companies of coast artillery, fifteen companies of engineers, ten regiments of infantry, four regiments of field artillery and four aero squadrons, besides seven hundred and fifty officers required for a great variety of extra service, especially the important duty of training the citizen force of which I shall presently speak, seven hundred and ninety-two non-commissioned officers for service in drill, recruiting and the like, and the necessary quota of enlisted men for the quartermaster corps, the hospital corps, the ordnance department, and other similar auxiliary services. These are the additions necessary to render the army adequate for its present duties, duties which it has to perform not only upon our own continental coasts and borders and at our interior army posts, but also in the Philippines, in the Hawaiian Islands, at the Isthmus and in Porto Rico.

By way of making the country

ready to assert some part of its real power promptly and upon a larger scale, should occasion arise, the plan also contemplates supplementing the army by a force of four hundred thousand disciplined citizens, raised in increments of one hundred and thirty-three thousand a year throughout a period of three years. This it is proposed to do by a process of enlistment under which the serviceable men of the country would be asked to bind themselves to serve with the colors for purposes of training for short periods throughout three years, and to come to the colors at all at any time throughout an additional "furlough" period of three years. This force of four hundred thousand men would be provided with personal accoutrements as fast as enlisted and their equipment for the field made ready to be supplied at any time. They would be assembled for training at stated intervals at convenient places in association with suitable units of the regular army. Their period of annual training would not necessarily exceed two months in the year.

I would depend upon the patriotic feeling of the younger men of the country whether they responded to such a call to service or not. It would depend upon the patriotic spirit of the employers of the country whether they made it possible for the younger men to leave their employments under favorable conditions or not. I, for one, do not doubt the patriotic devotion either of our young men or of those who give them employment, those for whose benefit and protection they would in fact enlist. I would look forward to the success of such an experiment with confidence.

At least so much by way of preparation for defense seems to me to be absolutely imperative. We cannot do less.

The Naval Program. The program which will be laid before you by the Secretary of the Navy is similarly conceived. It involves only a shortening of the time within which plans long matured shall be carried out; but it does not definitely and explicitly program which has heretofore been only implicit, held in the minds of the Committees on Naval Affairs and disclosed in the debates of the two Houses but nowhere formulated or formally adopted. It seems to me very clear that it will be to the advantage of the country for the Congress to adopt a comprehensive plan for putting the navy upon a final footing of strength and efficiency and to press that plan to completion within the next five years. We have always looked to the navy of the country as our first and chief line of defense; we have always felt that our main line of coast of prudence to be strong on the seas. Year by year we have been creating a navy which now ranks very high indeed among the navies of the maritime nations. We should now definitely determine how we shall complete what we have begun, and how.

The program to be laid before you contemplates the construction within five years of ten battleships, six battle cruisers, ten scout cruisers, fifty destroyers, fifteen fleet submarines, eighty-five coast submarines, four gunboats, one hospital ship, two ammunition ships, two fuel oil ships, one repair ship. It is proposed that of this number we shall the first year provide for the construction of two battle ships, two battle cruisers, three scout cruisers, fifteen destroyers, five fleet submarines, twenty-five coast submarines, two gunboats, one hospital ship, two ammunition ships, two fuel oil ships; and the fifth year, two battle ships, one battle cruiser, two scout cruisers, five destroyers, and fifteen coast submarines. In the second year, two battle ships, two battle cruisers, two scout cruisers, ten destroyers, two fleet submarines, fifteen coast submarines, one ammunition ship, and one fuel oil ship; and the third year, two battle ships, one battle cruiser, two scout cruisers, five destroyers, and fifteen coast submarines. In the fourth year, two battle ships, two battle cruisers, two scout cruisers, ten destroyers, two fleet submarines, fifteen coast submarines, one ammunition ship, and one fuel oil ship; and the fifth year, two battle ships, one battle cruiser, two scout cruisers, five destroyers, and fifteen coast submarines.

The Secretary of the Navy is asking also for the immediate addition to the personnel of the navy of seven thousand five hundred sailors, twenty-five hundred apprentice seamen, and fifteen hundred marines. This increase would be sufficient to care for the ships which are to be completed within the fiscal year 1917 and also for the number of men which must be put in training to man the ships which will be completed early in 1918. It is also necessary that the number of midshipmen at the Naval Academy at Annapolis should be increased by at least three hundred in order that the force of officers should be more rapidly added; and authority is asked to appoint, for engineering duties only, approved graduates of engineering colleges, and for service in the aviation branch, a certain number of men taken from civil life.

Needs of the Navy. If this full program should be carried out we should have built or building in 1921, according to the estimates of survival and standards of classification followed by the General Board of the Department, an effective navy consisting of: twenty-seven battle ships, of the first line, six battle cruisers, twenty-five battle ships of the second line, ten armored cruisers, thirteen scout cruisers, five first class cruisers, three second class cruisers, one third class cruiser, five destroyers, one hundred and fifty-seven coast submarines, six monitors, twenty gunboats, four supply ships, fifteen cable ferries, four transports, three tenders to torpedo vessels, eight vessels of special types, and two anti-aircraft ships. This would be a navy fitted to our needs and worthy of our traditions.

But armies and instruments of war are only part of what has to be considered if we are to consider the supreme matter of national self-sufficiency and security in all its aspects. There are other great matters which will be thrust upon our attention whether we will or not. There is, for example, a very pressing question of trade and shipping involved in this great problem of national adequacy. It is necessary for many weighty reasons of national efficiency and devel-

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ment that we should have a great merchant marine. The great merchant fleet we once used to make us rich, that great body of sturdy sailors who used to carry our pride and often the bulwark of the nation, we have almost driven out of existence by inexcusable neglect and indifference and by a hopelessly blind and provincial policy of so-called economic protection. It is high time we repaired our mistake and resumed our commercial independence on the seas.

For it is a question of independence. If other nations go to war or seek to hamper each other's commerce, our merchants, it seems, are at their mercy, to do with as they please. We have not ships enough of our own. We cannot handle our own commerce on the seas. Our independence is not only that the United States should be within our own borders. We are not likely to be permitted to use even the ships of other nations in rivalry of their own trade, and are without means to extend our commerce even where the doors are wide open and our goods desired. Such a situation is not only that the United States should be its own carrier on the seas and enjoy the economic independence which only an adequate merchant would give it, but also that the American hemisphere as a whole should enjoy a like independence and self-sufficiency, if it is not to be drawn into the tangle of European affairs. Without such independence the whole question of our political unity and self-determination is very seriously clouded and complicated indeed.

Moreover, we can develop no true or effective American policy without ships of our own—not ships of war, but ships of peace, carrying goods and carrying much more; creating friendships and rendering indispensable service to all interests on this side the water. They must move eastward back and forth between the Americas. They are the only shunters that can weave the delicate fabric of sympathy, comprehension, confidence, and mutual dependence in which we wish to clothe our policy of America for Americans.

The task of building up an adequate merchant marine for America private capital must ultimately undertake and achieve, as it has undertaken and achieved every other like task amongst us in the past, with admirable enterprise, intelligence, and vigor; and it seems to me a manifest dictate of wisdom that we should promptly remove every legal obstacle that may stand in the way of this much to be desired revival of our old independence and should facilitate in every possible way the building, purchase, and American registration of ships. But capital cannot accomplish this great task of a sudden. It must embark upon it by degrees, as the opportunities of trade develop. Something must be done at once; done to open routes and develop opportunities where they were the currents have not yet learned to run, especially between the two American continents, where they are singularly enough, yet to be created and quickened; and it is evident that only the government can undertake such begin-

nings and assume the initial financial risks. When the risk has passed and private capital begins to find its way in sufficient abundance into these new channels, the government may withdraw, but it should take the first steps, and should take them at once. Our goods must not be piled up at our ports and stored upon side tracks in freight cars which are daily needed on the roads; must not be left without means of transport to any foreign quarter. We must not await the permission of foreign ship-owners and foreign governments to send them where we will.

Ship Purchase Plan. With a view to meeting these pressing necessities of our commerce and availing ourselves at the earliest possible moment of the present unparalleled opportunity of linking the two Americas together in bonds of mutual interest and service, an opportunity which may never return again, if we miss it in this emergency, in this matter, as in all others, a spirit of common counsel prevails; and out of it should come an early solution of this pressing problem.

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Financial Needs. The plans for the armed forces of the nation which I have outlined, and for the general policy of adequate preparation for mobilization and defense, involve of course very large additional expenditures of money—expenditures which will considerably exceed the estimated revenues of the government. It is made my duty by law, whenever the estimates of expenditure exceed the estimates of revenue, to call the attention of the Congress to the fact and suggest any means of meeting the deficiency that it may be wise or possible for me to suggest. I am ready to believe that it would be my duty to do so in any case; and I feel particularly bound to speak of the matter when it appears that the deficiency will arise directly out of the adoption by the Congress of measures which I myself urge it to adopt. Allow me, therefore, to speak briefly of the present state of the Treasury and of the fiscal problems which the next year will probably disclose.

On the thirtieth of June last there was an available balance in the general fund of the Treasury of \$104,470,165.78. The total estimated receipts for the year 1916, on the assumption that the emergency revenue measure passed by the last Congress will not be extended beyond its present limit, the thirty-first of December, 1915, and that the present duty of one cent per pound on sugar will be discontinued after the first of May, 1916, will be \$670,365,500. The balance of June last and these estimated revenues come, therefore, to a grand total of \$774,835,665.78. The total estimated disbursements for the present fiscal year, including twenty-five millions for the Panama Canal, twelve millions for probable deficiency appropriations, and fifty thousand dollars for miscellaneous debt redemptions, will be 753,891,000; and the balance in the general fund of the Treasury will be reduced to \$20,944,665.78. The emergency revenue act, if continued beyond its present time limitation, would produce, during the half year then remaining, about forty one millions. The duty of one cent per pound on sugar, if continued, would produce during the two months of the fiscal year remaining after the first of May, about fifteen millions. These two sums, amounting together to fifty-six millions, if added to the revenues of the second half of the fiscal year, would yield the Treasury at the end of the year an available balance of \$76,544,665.78.

Prospective Revenue. The additional revenues required to carry out the programme of military and naval preparation of which I have spoken, would, as at present estimated, be for the fiscal year 1917, \$93,800,000. Those figures for the present fiscal year which I have already given, disclose our financial problem for the year 1917. Assuming that the taxes imposed by the emergency revenue act and the present duty on sugar are to be discontinued, and that the balance at the close of the present fiscal year will be \$76,544,665.78.

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TELLS OF FARMERS' FINANCIAL NEEDS

PETER RADFORD SPEAKS AT THE COURT HOUSE SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

DEFENDS NEW WAREHOUSE LAW

Says Present Banking Measures Are Good for Business Men, But No Help to Farmers.

Peter Radford, former president of the Texas Farmers' Union and now assistant state warehouse man, in an address before a crowd of farmers at the court house Saturday afternoon, urged the farmers of the state to stand behind the warehouse law enacted at the last session of the legislature. He said that the law in conjunction with the federal reserve system provided a form of rural credit as well as a warehouse and marketing system.

Mr. Radford was introduced by Judge E. W. Nicholson, who had known him in Parker county a number of years ago. A fair sized crowd nearly all of whom were farmers, heard Mr. Radford. Most of those who attended were members of the Wichita County Farmers' Union which held its regular monthly meeting here yesterday.

While declaring that the warehouse law, in conjunction with the ruling of Secretary of Treasury McAdoo that warehouse receipts should be accepted as collateral for loans on the same basis as commercial paper, provided a form of rural credit, Mr. Radford asserted that the pressing need of the day was for a rural credit system.

"The banking law we've got today," he said, "is well suited for commerce and trade but it isn't suited for farming. What we need is a law that meets the farmer's side of business."

He quoted Mr. Harding of the federal reserve board as saying that the present system was adapted to meet the needs of the merchant who might finance the needs of the farmer, but that it ought to be so that the farmer could finance the merchant. "One thing that is the matter with the present system," said Mr. Radford, "is that the interest rates are too high—you can't pay ten per cent and raise a hog. The banks say that they can't loan you money at a rate low enough so that you can conduct your business at a profit."

The present system, he said, was based on loans of four months or less. It was not practical to wait for a farmer to finance the raising and marketing of a steer or a colt, and declared that what the farmer must have was a financial law suitable to develop what the farmer had to raise.

He defended the warehouse law vigorously, saying that its operation would enable the farmer to control his product and would result in economies in handling the product. He said some people seem to think that the idea of the warehouse law originated with the legislature, and that such a system had never been heard of before. He quoted from the report of the industrial relations committee, from reports of investigations of the federal department of agriculture and from the hearings before the Senate banking committee in the national congress and from prominent business men to show that the need for such a system had been emphasized repeatedly before the question was taken up by the Texas legislature.

GERMAN REICHSTAG GIVES FOOD QUESTION ATTENTION

Problems Arising From Supply Situation Considered—Socialists Take Part

Berlin, via London, Dec. 6.—The budget committee of the Reichstag is devoting several days to the discussion of food problems. The socialists are taking a leading part, two having spoken on Thursday and three on Friday. The socialist speakers fully approved the government's measures to protect consumers and secure a better disposition of supplies, but demanded that the government carry out the resolution already unanimously adopted by the Reichstag providing for the establishment of a central government office having complete control of food supplies.

A conservative speaker pointed out that the prices of feed have risen more than the price of meat and milk. He said that the production of a litre (1.9 quarts) of milk now costs 3 2/4 cents more than in normal times. He recommended that the governments of other states follow the example of Prussia which proposes to devote \$25,000,000 to procure feed for fattening swine.

RUSSIAN 1917 CLASS IS ORDERED ENROLLED

By Associated Press. Petrograd, Dec. 6.—An imperial ukase issued today orders the enrollment of the military class of 1917, in 1916.

Station for Sale. Sir Charles, imported Clyde Station for sale at less than half value to close partnership. See A. D. Butcher, Iowa Park.

BROOKS' PLATFORM FOR SENATORSHIP

WACO MAN FORMALLY ANNOUNCES HIS CANDIDACY FOR THE TOGA

IN FAVOR OF PREPAREDNESS

Also Supporting National Prohibition Measure—Is Supporter of President Wilson

Special to The Times. Waco, Texas, Dec. 4.—A declaration in favor of preparedness, greater economy in public expenditures, a national warehouse law, rural credit system, national prohibition, extension of parcels post, establishment of merchant marine and other measures is found in the platform of Dr. S. P. Brooks, president of Baylor University. In formally announcing his candidacy for the United States senatorship, Dr. Brooks' statement and platform follows:

The Statement. "The people have a right to know a candidate as well as his policies; therefore some matters personal are presented herewith prior to the platform."

"I am a Democrat. I am enthusiastic supporter of President Woodrow Wilson and his administration of domestic and foreign affairs. Like him, I recognize changing local and world conditions, and am ready to adopt new policies to meet new conditions as they arise.

"I am a poor man. I have no capital above my home. I abhor the idea of any office going to any man because he happens to have much money. As a poor man, on merit of character and ability, I offer my services to my state and country.

"Wage earner. Just as I became a man a railroad passed my father's little farm of 67 acres in Johnson county, Texas. Crops were laid by, Summer was on. Ditch diggers and spike drivers were wanted. I became a section hand. The wage was one dollar and fifteen cents per day of ten hours. The board was fifty cents per day. A year of this work on top of a life of ordinary farm labor gave me the point of view of him who lives by the sweat of his brow. Very naturally I became, and have continued to be, a friend of labor organized for its betterment, and as a result I will earnestly do what I can on its behalf. However, I do not depreciate the farmer, the mechanic, or other wage earners by putting them in a corner separate from other people; nor do I insult them by putting them on a pedestal by truckling myself. I stand on solid mother earth, ready to take every man by the hand as my brother, looking each in the eye on the level of equality and the democracy of merit. On this basis I invite all good men to give consideration to my candidacy.

"I believe in all the people. I do not believe in a mere party. My contact with many people in the lines of activity in which I for years have been engaged has heightened my confidence in a government of the people.

"I believe in manufacturing industries. I shall do what I can to promote their development without regard to the size of the business, but wholly with regard to the treatment of the people who make their business possible by (a) labor, by (b) investment, or by (c) consumption of their products.

"Newspapers. I hope my candidacy will develop the strength of news, thereby giving me entrance to their columns. Decent papers spurn the sale of editorial space and pay a liberal rate for advertising. I will manage my own campaign. In doing this I am not unmindful that I am an unsophisticated politician, and that large sums of money will be spent in an effort to defeat me. It has been said that, since I am ignorant of the tricks of the politician, I will be helpless as a candidate. I freely admit my ignorance of such trickery, and care not to learn it. In spite of this so-called handicap, I boldly throw myself upon the votes of men unpurchased and unpurchasable, and trust that they, as my friends, will organize Brooks clubs in every community and thus offset the weakness incident to enforced economy and ignorance of practical politics.

The Platform. "Several things. There needs to be a quickening sense of the members of the United States Congress to much shameful pension legislation and other expenditures, like public buildings, more for politics than for service to the people. The milieux allowance of all members of Congress should be reduced more nearly to the actual cost of travel. There should be a curtailment of the franking privilege, whereby a member of the Senate or House may not, unsought, frank through the mails tons of speeches outside of his own district. All garden and other seeds should not be sent out by members of either house. They should be sent out by the secretary of agriculture on application of the people, or upon the suggestion of agricultural field agents, whereby there would be some show of practical returns in farm or garden products at infinitely reduced cost over the present method.

"I believe that the United States where possible, should manufacture all its warships and other distinctly military goods not used in the arts of trade; that the chief federal medical officer, and the United States commissioner of education, should each be made a member of the president's cabinet; that reason child labor laws should be enacted for the protection of little children and child bearing mothers

Masonic Temple To Be Erected At Corner Of Tenth And Scott Avenue, As It Will Appear When Completed



The above is a cut from the architect's drawing of the proposed new Masonic building at Tenth street and Scott avenue. A meeting of the building committee will be held this week at which it is probable that final action on the adoption of the plans and specifications will be taken.

The building authorized by the lodge will have a frontage of 150 feet on Tenth street and 50 feet on

Scott avenue. It will be three stories in height with business rooms on the first floor, rooms for other lodges on the second floor and the Masonic Hall and quarters for the Order of the Eastern Star on the third floor. As planned the building will cost about \$35,000. The Masonic Lodge expects to spend about \$5,000 for furniture and equipment.

A committee of which Wiley Blair is the chairman has been appointed to rent the first floor rooms and the first floor will be partitioned to suit the tenants. The second floor will probably be divided into three halls. The building will be equipped with an automatic elevator. Details as to the kind and color of the stone and brick for the exterior of the

TEXAS ECONOMIC LEAGUE ORGANIZED

WILL ENDEAVOR TO PROMOTE INTERESTS OF THOSE WHO PRODUCE

MOTTO "CITIZENSHIP FIRST"

J. A. Kemp of This City is Among Organizers—Platform of Principles Outlined

Special to The Times. Houston, Tex., Dec. 4.—The plan of prominent citizens from all parts of Texas to form an organization modeled along the lines of the National Economic League was perfected here yesterday in the formation of an association to be known as the Texas Economic League. The League has been in process of organization for some time, and several called meetings have been held but final details, organization plans and methods of procedure were not decided on until the meeting here yesterday.

The organizers of the association are leading business men of Texas among them being J. S. Cullinan, Jno. H. Kirby, and Jno. S. Radford of Fort Worth; Royal A. Ferris, Dallas; B. W. Kirkpatrick, McKinney; Paul Waples, Fort Worth; Peter Radford, Austin; W. W. Cameron, Waco; Ben B. Cain, Dallas; L. M. Kessbey, Austin; J. A. Kemp, Wichita Falls; B. B. Padlock, Fort Worth; and Frank Holland, Dallas.

"Citizenship First." The slogan of the League will be "Citizenship First" and those applying

this time collating the wisdom of the world in an effort to advance the interests of the American farmers, and especially those without land of their own. It shall be my joy to do what I can to get farm land loan banks and rural credit associations organized so that through them frugal, industrious tenants may acquire homes of their own, having payments extended by the amortization plan even to as much as five to thirty-five years.

"Preparedness. I am not so much frightened about what somebody is going to do to us from the outside as I am about what militarism, its expense and other consequences, would do to us from the inside, if we allow it to dominate the thinking of our people. Yet, I am in favor of preparedness, preparedness to care for our interior and over sea possessions and to meet any, and every, emergency as it may arise. I would keep up the present efficiency of the army and navy. In addition, I would have hundreds of aeroplanes manned ready for service, very many equipped submarines, very many storage pointed to the sea; many large stores magazines full of bullets, guns and dry powder ready for any emergency. If, however, when the European war is at an end, circumstances seem to justify it, I would vote any and all sorts of enlargement of the army and navy to meet the demands necessary to maintain American rights before or against the whole world."

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"XI.—We consider that the destiny of the human race is dependent upon the necessary units of society performing their inherent functions, and we favor organized efforts of the people to honestly associate themselves together in such a manner as to develop the productive energy, ability and power of mankind. But we believe that most of the misfortunes of civilization are due to inordinate lust for the power of incompetent conduct on the part of one or more of the subdivisions of society, and we pledge our best efforts to restore the different classes to their appointed tasks as contemplated by our system of government. It is our aim to expose and discourage improper conduct on the part of any profession, class, business, occupation, service or subdivision of government or society, believing that such a policy will greatly increase general efficiency; insure a more equitable distribution of the fruits of labor and promote the prosperity of all the people.

"XII.—We appeal to the citizens of every class, creed and condition to discharge the full responsibilities of citizenship and render to government the business patriotism essential to building on Texas soil the greatest civilization the world has ever known."

PRESIDENT TO WED MRS. NORMAN GALT ON DECEMBER 18

CEREMONY TO TAKE PLACE AT MRS. GALT'S HOME—IMMEDIATE RELATIVES WILL BE THE ONLY WITNESSES.

WEDDING WITHOUT DISPLAY

Soon After Ceremony President and Bride Will Leave for South—All Details of Wedding Will be as Simple as Possible.

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 4.—President Wilson and Mrs. Norman Galt will be married Saturday, December 18 at Mrs. Galt's home here, according to a formal announcement made today at the White House. It was also announced that the only guests would be Mrs. Galt's mother, her brothers and sisters, the president's brothers and sisters, his daughters and the members of his immediate household. No invitations will be issued. No announcement was made regarding plans for a honeymoon, but it was expected that the president and his bride will leave Washington soon after the ceremony for the south. While no announcement was made of the hour of the wedding, it was understood it would be late in the afternoon. The Rev. Sylvester Beach, the president's pastor in Princeton and Rev. Herbert Scott Smith, rector of Mrs. Galt's church here, are expected to officiate.

The formal announcement of the wedding plans was written out by the president himself this morning. Immediately afterward he left the White House for his residence at both have agreed that all the details shall be as simple as possible. It has been intimated to the diplomats who have made inquiries at the state department that no display in connection with the wedding is desired. Despite that, it is expected many officials and friends of the president will send gifts. Joseph R. Wilson of Baltimore, the president's brother, Mrs. Anne Howe, his sister and Mrs. Francis B. Sayre, the president's daughter, will be guests at the White House when they come to attend the wedding. Miss Margaret Wilson and Mrs. W. B. McAdoo, the other two daughters of the president are already here.

Mrs. Galt's home, where the ceremony will be performed, is in the fashionable section of Washington, but is too small to contain a large party. Nevertheless, both Mrs. Galt and the president decided not to have the wedding in the White House.

ROAD IMPROVEMENTS IN PRECINCT ONE

FIFTEEN MILES OF ROAD GRADED AND IMPROVED WITHIN PAST FIVE WEEKS.

MORE WORK IS PLANNED

Graveling of Roads Has Been Highly Satisfactory and More of It Will be Done.

Fifteen miles of roads in the southeastern part of Wichita county have been graded and improved within the last five weeks, giving two excellent-quiet to Archer county. The Windthorst road and another road into Archer county have each been graded for a distance of six miles, in addition to several miles of by-roads.

The work has been done by the regular road gang equipment under the supervision of County Commissioner J. P. Jackson and has resulted in much better travel conditions in that part of the county, as well as for Archer county residents coming into this city. The more eastern of the new roads is to be used by a prospective new rural route; it was formerly a hopeless jumble of ruts and ditches, but it has been put in excellent condition. As soon as it rains, so that the roads may be dragged, they will be as good as any in the county.

Mr. Jackson expects to put in four or five miles of gravel roads between this city and Iowa Park and Electra this winter. There is a small stretch of road between this city and Burk Burnett, which has been gravelled and it has withstood rains, dry spells and heavy traffic with a very small maintenance cost. With gravel available in this county, some of it in the immediate vicinity, Mr. Jackson believes that gravelled roads can be constructed cheaply and that the saving in maintenance expenses will be considerable.

DENIES THAT GERMANY IS ACTIVE IN MEXICO

Washington, Dec. 6.—Count Von Bernstorff today made emphatic denial of reports that Germany or German official agents had been concerned in recent attempts to set up a counter revolution in Mexico.

SAYS TWO SUBMARINES ATTACKED LINES ANCONA

Washington, Dec. 6.—The state department today received a message from Consul Mason at Tunis, giving the substance of an affidavit made by Giuseppe Torisano, an Ancona survivor, to the effect that the Ancona was attacked simultaneously by two submarines, one on each side, the one on the port side shelling her.

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Germany has asked why Captain Boy-Ed and Captain Von Papan shall be withdrawn, and Washington officials will give a prompt answer, and beyond that will not discuss the facts concerning the activities of these two German officers with naval and military matters in this country, to which Secretary Lansing has vigorously objected, and which has caused the State Department to request their immediate withdrawal.

On Thanksgiving one of the express companies gave to each of its employes a turkey. Now comes the Western Union saying that hereafter each of its employes will be granted a two weeks vacation with full pay. Two million dollars will be set aside annually for this purpose.

The State Health Department estimates that there are 21,000,000 rats in Texas, or five rats to each inhabitant, and has addressed communications to mayors and other authorities asking their cooperation in reducing the rat population.

Estimates of the amount needed to run the government in 1917, as submitted to congress by Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo, amount to one billion and a quarter, which is nearly \$9 for every man, woman and child in the United States.

And now it appears that, in recognizing the Carranza government in Mexico, President Wilson has acted wisely. The press dispatches tell us that in the State of Pueblo near Vera Cruz, more than two thousand schools will have been reopened before the end of the year, and new ones established, which is many times more than the number of schools that had at any time existed before.

The report of the chairman of the board of the Federal reserve bank of Dallas covering the district which it serves—Texas, Southern Oklahoma, Northern Louisiana, Southern New Mexico and Southern Arizona—shows that prosperity reigns throughout the district. This is especially applicable to the agricultural territory, where the farmers are placing satisfactory deposits in the banks.

The News says the Matador City Council has stopped the pay of City Marshal Sandlin, but that the gentleman states he will hold his office until his term expires. We don't know that anybody except a newspaper man had nerve enough to keep on working after his pay had been shut off.

In the matter of reducing the cotton acreage this spring, it is very evident now that the cotton farmers of Wichita and adjoining counties overdid the thing. In 1914 Wichita county produced right at 15,000 bales of cotton. Up to the present time only about 4,000 bales have been ginned in Wichita county, and the ginners are not expecting much more.

to wheat this fall is even larger than it was last fall, leaving still less acreage to be planted to cotton next spring. It has been the observation of this paper that when both a good wheat and a good cotton crop is produced in this county conditions are much better than when only a small crop of cotton and a large crop of wheat is produced.

The daily war bill of six of the fighting nations is placed at \$90,000,000. That's about the size of Henry Ford's fortune.

St. Louis gets the National Democratic Convention. Dallas made a strong pull for it, but honestly if Dallas had succeeded in her ambition she would hardly have had time between now and the convention date to have prepared to entertain the big crowd in the way a crowd of that kind expects to be entertained. Really, Dallas ought to be proud that she did not get it.

A few weeks ago there was considerable agitation throughout the State favoring abolishing capital punishment, but so long as so many crimes are being committed in Texas and so few arrests and convictions are had, it is hardly likely the movement to abolish capital punishment will gain much headway.

The Times learns through a private source that the attorney general has pronounced our recent court house bond election illegal for the reason the notice of election called for the issuance of \$235,000 worth of bonds for the "building and equipping" of a court house, and is therefore for a dual purpose.

Henry Ford's peace party that sailed for Europe the other day, generally speaking, is regarded by the European press as a huge joke. He may be able to accomplish some good, but so far as the warring nations are concerned, Ford and his party will hardly meet with a courteous welcome on the other side.

If we are to build a greater navy, then by all means let it be constructed by government owned plants. Secretary Daniels favors this plan of increasing our navy and almost everybody is with him, save those who make it their business to graft the government at every opportunity.

Henry Ford says he don't know why he is going, but he is on his way. It's the biggest thing in the way of an advertising stunt Henry has yet put across.

County Clerk Kelly says several offers have already been made to buy the \$225,000 court house bonds, all at par or above. One firm offered \$227,000 and accrued interest, being a premium of \$2,000.

The President's message will go to congress about Tuesday and though it is not the longest nor the shortest message ever sent to congress by the President, it is going to prove the most important of any during the past fifty years.

And it is also well to remember that the Northwest Texas Poultry Association is to hold its meeting in Wichita Falls December 15th to 18th, inclusive. The secretary reports there will be many fine exhibits, and the prizes are well worth contesting for.

The price of all kinds of colored blank paper has been advanced from one-half cent to as high as four cents on the pound. The manufacturers also announce the price of white paper is to be advanced considerably, and that, in all probability means that the newspaper publishers throughout the United States will either be forced

to cut down the size of their newspapers or advance the subscription price.

Now is the time to start a movement having for its aim a happy Christmas for every child in Wichita Falls. Without such a movement, it is more than likely that this will be a cheerless Christmas for many children in this city. But the Times really has no fear but that the generous hearted people of this city will look after that matter as they have always heretofore done.

We have often heard of the stingiest man and how he manages to hold on to a dollar until the eagle screams with pain, but the Gainesville Register has now discovered the gallest man, describing him as the fellow who manages to get hold of the label of a ten-cent cigar, places it on a two-for and struts up and down the hotel lobby smoking and putting on the airs of an oil magnate.

Congress convenes next Monday and on Tuesday the President will read his message of four thousand words to the joint body. After that the issue will be: preparedness or not. The Democrats, as a rule, will stand by the President for preparedness. They will be known as big navy men, and those who oppose, as little navy men.

Governor Ferguson says that if the people of Bell county want to be dry, dry they shall be, and dry as a bone at that.—Dallas Times-Herald. Then his Excellency has had a change of sentiments. It hasn't been three weeks since he was telling the people of Bell that if they went dry the very foundation of our civilization would crumble, his administration be rebuked and dire calamities befall withal.

Dallas is after a new federal building. The one it has is not large enough to accommodate the postoffice business of that thriving and growing city. A few years ago the government paid \$11,000 for a site and erected thereon a handsome building. This site together with the building can now be sold for more than a million dollars, or almost enough money to purchase a new site and erect thereon a much larger and more modern structure. The proposition is to be put up to congress at the present session in such a favorable light that it is now thought there will be no question but that it will succeed.

According to Sir Owen Phillips, the tonnage of the German merchant marine at the beginning of the war was 5,459,296. Of this 230,000 tons have been captured by the British navy and 38,000 tons by other allies, while 117,000 tons have been sunk and 257,000 tons interned in the British empire. The remainder, except the few ships at large in the Baltic, are interned in German and neutral harbors. Efforts furnished by the Germans, however, do not agree with the above.

Every now and then there is reported the destruction of a manufacturing plant of the East, and sandwiched with the story is the intimation that possibly it was the act of German sympathizers seeking to prevent the shipment of supplies to Europe. There are few, if any, manufacturing plants of the North or East which are not engaged in some form of work for some one of the warring powers. Every industry is working at its fullest capacity, and such conditions are not conducive to safety.

Former Mistress "I would like to give you a good recommendation, Eliza, but my conscience compels me to state that you never got the meals ready at the proper time. I wonder how I can put in a nice sort of way." Eliza: "You might say that I got the meals the same as I got my pay."—Chicago Herald.

WOULD NOT ASK TO SUSPEND SENTENCE

HENRIETTA MAN DECLINES TO AVAIL SELF OF LAW AND PLEADS GUILTY

AYS HE DOESN'T BELIEVE IN IT

Will Not Accept Privilege He is Not in Favor of Extending to Other Defendants

From Tuesday's Daily. Because he was opposed to the practice of giving suspended sentences W. M. Trimble is under a two years sentence to the penitentiary from the Clay county district court on a charge of horse theft. Trimble, who is about twenty-one years of age, pleaded guilty when tried at Henrietta yesterday.

Judge Akin appointed Hon. L. W. Parrish, one of the leading attorneys of Henrietta to represent Trimble. Parrish took his client into a consultation room and remained closeted with him for half an hour. Mr. Parrish came out and told the judge and district attorney that he could not induce his client to sign an application for suspended sentence. Trimble was brought out and placed on trial. He pleaded guilty and told the details of the horse theft.

"Why wouldn't you sign an application for suspended sentence?" asked the district attorney.

"I don't believe in it," the defendant replied. Upon being further cross examined Trimble said that he knew that he was entitled to ask for a suspension of his sentence, that he had never been arrested before or charged with any offense, but that he had never believed in the practice of giving suspended sentences and that he would not ask for one no matter what penalty might be imposed on him.

District Attorney Humphreys said that as far as he had been able to learn the young man had never been charged with a crime before. He indicated that he would not oppose an effort to secure a pardon for Trimble.

HUNDREDS OF NEGROES HERE BACK FROM COTTON FIELDS

Make Plenty of Work For Officers—Many of Them Are Quite Well Healed

From Tuesday's Daily. Hundreds of negroes on their way back to East Texas from the cotton fields in Oklahoma and Western Texas are swarming the city and the influx of strange negroes is giving the officers an added burden. Most of the negroes arrive here with good sized rolls of money and their first impulse is to get rid of it in some of the entertainment that the city affords. Some of them like things so well that they linger on here until their money is gone and their welcome wears out. Many of these eventually find their way into the police and justices courts. Most of them are discharged if they agree to shake the dust of the city from their feet.

The movement of negroes eastward and southward has only fairly begun and is expected to increase considerably until the holidays. One train recently unloaded 240 negroes here.

LESS THAN WEEK REMAINS OF POSTMASTER BACON'S TERM

No Word Yet From Washington as to Appointment of His Successor

From Tuesday's Daily. With less than a week remaining before the term of O. T. Bacon expires as postmaster here, no word has come from Washington as to the identity of the democrat who will succeed to the office. Mr. Bacon's term expires next Sunday, December 12.

A number of applications for the postmastership have been filed, but if any decision has been reached at Washington, no word has been heard here regarding it. It is probable that, whoever is appointed, Mr. Bacon will remain in duty until the Christmas rush is over, as this is considered a rather important time of the year for the new postmaster to take charge. For a fortunate democrat will likely take active charge early next year.

D. P. TAYLOR BUYS FARM OF 600 ACRES FOR \$14,000

D. P. Taylor has purchased from R. M. Hurley 600 acres of land four miles west of the city known as the P. M. Davis farm. Four hundred acres of this land is river valley land. The consideration was \$14,000. The deal was made through J. E. Childers. The land adjoins 1075 acres of land recently acquired by Mr. Taylor. Mr. Taylor has already stocked this farm with one white faced cattle bought in Fort Worth.

"Every residence should have a servants' bath," says a housekeeping magazine. Oh, what's the use? The servants don't stay long enough to need a bath.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Preparedness Is Keynote Of President's Message Read To Congress Today

cal year will be only \$20,444,606.78, that the disbursements for the Panama Canal will reach but about twenty-five millions; and that the additional expenditures for the army and navy are authorized by the Congress, the deficit in the general fund of the Treasury on the thirtieth of June, 1917, will be nearly two hundred and thirty-five millions. To this sum at least fifty millions should be added to represent a safe working balance for the Treasury, and twelve millions to include the usual deficiency estimates in 1917; and these additions would make a total deficit of some two hundred and ninety-seven millions. If the present conditions should be continued throughout this year and the next, however, there would be a balance in the Treasury of some seventy-six and a half millions at the end of the present fiscal year, and a deficit at the end of the next year of only some fifty millions, or, reckoning in sixty-two million for deficiency appropriations and a safe Treasury balance at the end of the year, a total deficit of some one hundred and twelve millions. The obvious moral of the figures is that it is a plain counsel of prudence to continue all of the present taxes or to raise new taxes and appropriate ourselves to the problem of providing one hundred and twelve millions of new revenue rather than two hundred and ninety-seven millions.

Oppose Sale of Bonds. How shall we obtain the new revenue? We are frequently reminded that there are many millions of bonds which the Treasury is authorized under existing law to reimburse the sums paid out of current revenues for the construction of the Panama Canal; and it is true that bonds to the amount of about \$222,000,000 are now available for that purpose. Prior to 1913 \$174,631,980 of these bonds had actually been sold to recoup the expenditures at the lathmus; and now constitute a considerable item of the public debt. But, for one, do not believe that the people of this country approve of postponing the payment of their bills. Borrowing money is short-sighted finance. It can be justified only when permanent things are to be accomplished which many generations will certainly benefit by and which it seems hardly fair that a single generation should pay for. The objects we are now proposing to spend money for cannot be so classified, except in the sense of posterity as well as in our own. It seems to me a clear dictate of prudent statesmanship and frank finance that in what we are now, I hope, about to undertake the country are entitled to know just what burdens of taxation they are to carry, and to know from the outset, now, the new bills should be paid by internal taxation.

Sources of Revenue. To what sources, then, shall we turn? This is so peculiarly a question which the gentlemen of the House of Representatives are expected under the Constitution to propose an answer to that you will hardly expect me to do more than discuss it in very general terms. We should be following an almost universal example of modern governments if we were to draw the greater part or even the whole of the revenues we need from the income taxes. By somewhat lowering the present limits of exemption and the figure at which the surtax shall begin to be imposed, and by increasing step by step throughout the present graduation, the surtax itself, the income taxes as at present apportioned would yield sums sufficient to balance the books of the Treasury at the end of the fiscal year 1917 without any where making the burden unreasonably or oppressively heavy. The precise reckonings are fully and accurately set out in the report of the Secretary of the Treasury which will be immediately laid before you.

And there are many additional sources of revenue which can justly be resorted to without hampering the industries of the country or putting any too great charge upon individual expenditure. A tax of one cent per gallon on gasoline and kerosene would yield at the present estimated production, \$10,000,000; a tax of 25 cents per horse power on automobiles and internal explosion engines, \$15,000,000; a stamp tax on bank checks, probably \$18,000,000; a tax of twenty-five cents per ton on pig iron, \$10,000,000; a tax of fifty cents per ton on fabricated iron and steel, probably \$10,000,000. In a country of great industries like this it ought to be easy to distribute the burdens of taxation without making them anywhere bear too heavily or too exclusively upon any one set of persons or undertakings. What is clear is that the industry of this generation should pay the bills of this generation.

Dangers at Home. I have spoken to you today, gentlemen, upon a single theme, the thorough preparation of the nation to care for its own security and to make sure of entire freedom to play the impartial role in this hemisphere and in the world which we all believe to have been providentially assigned to it. I have had in my mind no thought of any immediate or particular danger arising out of our relations with other nations. We are at peace with all the nations of the world, and there is reason to hope that no question in controversy between this and other Governments will lead to any serious breach of amicable relations. Grave as some differences of attitude and policy have been and may yet turn out to be, I am sorry to say that the gravest threats against our national peace and safety have been uttered within the United States. I blush to admit, however under other flags but welcomed under our generous naturalization laws to the full freedom and opportunity of America, who have poured the poison of disloyalty into the very arteries of our national life; who have sought to bring the authority and good name of our Government into contempt, to destroy our industries

wherever they thought it effective for their vindictive purposes to strike them, and to debase our politics to the uses of foreign intrigue. Their number is not great as compared with the whole number of those sturdy hosts by which our nation has been enriched in recent generations out of the foreign steeps; but it is great enough to have brought deep disgrace upon us and to have made it necessary that we should promptly make use of processes of law by which we may be purged of their corrupt distempers. America never witnessed anything like this before. It never dreamed it possible that men sworn to its own citizenship, men drawn out of great free stocks such as supplied some of the best and strongest elements of that little, but how heroic, nation that in a high day of old staked its very life to free itself from every entanglement that had darkened the fortunes of the older nations and set up a new standard here—that men of such origins and such free choices of allegiance would ever turn in malign reaction against the Government and people who had welcomed and nurtured them and seek to make this proud country once more a hotbed of European passion. A little while ago such a thing would have seemed incredible. Because it was incredible we made no preparation for it. We would have been almost ashamed to prepare for it, as if we were suspicious of ourselves, our own comrades and neighbors. But the ugly and incredible thing has actually come about and we are without adequate federal laws to deal with it. I urge you to enact such laws at the earliest possible moment and feel that in doing so I am urging you to do nothing less than save the honor and self-respect of the nation. Such creatures of passion, disloyalty, and anarchy must be crushed out. They are not many, but they are infinitely malign and the hand of our power should close over them at once. They have formed plots to destroy property, they have entered into conspiracies against the neutrality of the Government, they have sought to pry into every confidential transaction of the Government in order to serve interests alien to our own. It is not possible to deal with these things very effectively. I need not suggest the terms in which they may be dealt with.

Aid for Education. What is more important is, that the industries and resources of the country should be available and ready for mobilization. It is the more imperative necessary, therefore, that we

should promptly devise means for doing what we have not yet done: that we should give intelligent federal aid and stimulation to industrial and vocational education, as we have long done in the large field of our agricultural industry; that, at the same time that we safeguard and conserve the natural resources of the country we should put them at the disposal of those who will use them promptly and intelligently, as was sought to be done in the admirable bills submitted to the last Congress from its committees on public lands, bills which I earnestly recommend in principle to your consideration; that we should put into early operation some provision for rural credits which will add to the extensive borrowing facilities already afforded the farmer by the Reserve Bank act; adequate instrumentalities by which long credits may be obtained on land mortgages; and that we should study more carefully than they have hitherto been studied the right adaptation of our economic arrangements to changing conditions.

Many conditions about which we have repeatedly legislated are being altered from decade to decade, it is evident, under our very eyes, and are likely to change even more rapidly and more radically in the days immediately ahead of us, when peace has returned to the world and the nations of Europe once more take up their tasks of commerce and industry with the energy of those who must bestir themselves to build anew. Just what these changes will be no one can certainly foresee or confidently predict. There are no calculable, because no stable, elements in the problem. The most we can do is to make certain that we have the necessary instrumentalities of information constantly at our service so that we may be sure that we know exactly what we are dealing with when we come to act, if it should be necessary to act at all. We must first earnestly know what it is that we are seeking to adapt ourselves to. We may ask the privilege of addressing you more at length on this important matter a little later in your session.

Transportation Problem. In the meantime may I make this suggestion? The transportation problem is an exceedingly serious and pressing one in this country. There has been from time to time of late years a fear that our railroads would not much longer be able to cope with it successfully, as at present equipped and coordinated. I suggest that it would be wise to provide for a commission of inquiry to ascertain by a thorough canvass of the whole question whether our laws as at present framed and administered are as serviceable as they might be in the solution of the problem. It is obviously a problem that lies at the very foundation of our efficiency as a people. Such an inquiry ought to draw out every circumstance and opinion worth considering and we need to know all facts of the matter in order to do anything in the field of federal legislation.

No one, I am sure, would wish to take any backward step. The regulation of railroads of the country by federal commission has had admirable results and has fully justified the hopes and expectations of those by whom the policy of regulation was originally proposed. The question is not what should we undo? It is, whether there is anything else we can do that would supply us with effective means, in the very process of regulation, for bettering the conditions under which the railroads are operated and for making them more useful servants of the country as a whole. It seems to me that it might be the part of wisdom, therefore before further legislation in this field is attempted, to look at the whole problem of coordination and efficiency in the full light of a fresh assessment of circumstance and opinion, as a guide to dealing with the several parts of it.

For what we are seeking now, what in my mind is the single thought of this message, is national efficiency and security. We seek a great and good thing. We should strive in the spirit of its peculiar genius. It is the genius of common men for self-government, industry, justice, liberty and peace. We should see to it that it lacks no instrument, no facility or vigor of law, to make it sufficient to play its part with energy, safety, and success. In this we are not partisans but heralds and prophets of a new age.

WILL INSTALL MACHINERY TO GET SAND FROM RIVER

J. E. Duncan Given Permission To Put in Equipment—Will Use Pumps

From Tuesday's Daily. J. E. Duncan is preparing to install a large and pumps in the Wichita river for pumping out sand and gravel. Mr. Duncan recently acquired from Mrs. N. C. McHenry property on both sides of the river between Burnett and Austin streets and at the end of Seymour street below the wagon bridge. Yesterday afternoon he secured permission from the city council to open a roadway over the river bank into the bed of the river so that he could get down into the bed to install the machinery. The pumps will be installed on a floating barge which will be moved by cables in the bed of the river. The sand and gravel will be pumped out onto the banks where it will be easily accessible to the haulers. Mr. Duncan has located a big bed of gravel of a quality that is believed much better than has been obtained here and it is his purpose to make this gravel available for use on the streets and on the roads. He also expects to ship some of it to other points. The pumping of sand from the river bed was attempted several years ago but the pumps used were too small for the work and it was found unprofitable. Mr. Duncan will use much larger pumps.

Sea at its Deepest Point. The greatest known depth of the sea is eight and three-quarters miles.

CONGRESS CONVENES FOR BUSY SESSION

BOTH HOUSES PERFECT ORGANIZATION AND ADJOURN EARLY.

CLARK IS REELECTED SPEAKER

Says Time is Near When Congress Will Have to Be in Practically Perpetual Session.

Washington, Dec. 6.—Congress re-assembled at noon today for what promises to be the most important and most historic session of a generation.

Proceedings in both house and senate were brief. In accordance with custom, both soon adjourned and sent a committee formally to notify President that Congress was in session.

Speaker Clark was re-elected and sworn in amid cheers from the floor and galleries. In the senate the organization was perfected by the reelection of Senator Clarke as president pro tempore.

In his opening address to the House, the speaker paid tribute to Republican Leader Mann and predicted a practically continuous session hereafter.

Predicts Long Session. "I am profound grateful to you for the high honor of the speaker'ship conferred by your friendship and partiality," he said.

"I thank the Democrats for their personal good will which has attended all my days here. By reason of the amazing growth of our beloved country and bewildering increase of business the time is near when Congress will remain practically in perpetual session. I hope this Congress will go into history as a working Congress."

James A. Baker, the secretary, called the session to order and the chaplain prayed for divine guidance for the preservation of peace at home and its restoration abroad.

Thirty-two newly elected senators were sworn in. Each was escorted by his colleague.

Much important business faces the members. Since the gavel has fallen in the two houses, many momentous questions have arisen. Over-shadowing all others are those caused by the European war, but they do not compose the entire program.

AN AMERICAN SHIP REPORTED ATTACKED IN MEDITERRANEAN

STATE DEPARTMENT LAST NIGHT WITHOUT OFFICIAL INFORMATION—U. S. SHIPS IN VICINITY OF REPORTED ATTACK.

PROBABLY A GREEK VESSEL

Steamers Owned by Greeks But Flying American Flag Operating in Mediterranean—Submarine Austrian or German Craft.

By Associated Press. London, December 4.—A dispatch from Athens tells of a wireless message received there of an unidentified American vessel saying she was being attacked by a German or Austrian submarine.

Washington, December 4.—The state department last night had received no official information regarding the reported attack on an American ship in the Mediterranean.

It was learned from the navy department that the cruiser, Des Moines, probably was nearer the scene of the reported attack than the Caesar.

The disposition of naval officials was to regard it as improbable that any American war ship had been attacked either through accident or otherwise.

FATAL ACCIDENT SUNDAY ON DENVER NEAR VERNON

W. A. Ward, Brakeman, is Killed When He Falls Between Two Moving Cars.

From Monday's Daily. W. A. Ward, aged 28, brakeman on the Fort Worth & Denver and whose home was 404 Adams street, died yesterday afternoon at 1:30, about two hours after he fell between moving cars of his train No. 18 north-bound.

The accident happened at the water tank at Vernon. No one saw Ward fall but one of his fellow trainmen glimpsed his body between the wheels as he clutched at the oil box. When the train was stopped he was pulled from beneath a car. One hand was cut off at the wrist and a hole was torn in the back of his head.

NARROW ESCAPE FROM DEATH WHEN BED CLOTHES IGNITE

Young Woman Employed at Home of S. Kruger is Endangered By Blaze

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WHERE RUSSIA CONCENTRATES TROOPS AND SCENE ON DANUBE

The map shows the points where Russia is reported to be concentrating troops for an invasion of Bulgaria, either by the Danube—which is by treaty an international waterway—or by the Black sea.

GENERAL IMPROVEMENT IN BUSINESS CONDITIONS SHOWN

Special to The Times. New York, Dec. 6.—Many evidences of improved industrial and commercial conditions are cited in the weekly review of R. G. Dunn & Company for last week.

Nearly every development is of a constructive nature and further gains are added to those previously recorded. Each week domestic consumption enlarges while the railroad embargoes emphasize the magnitude of the export business.

SEVERAL BOARDING HOUSES ARE VISITED BY BURGLARS

Rooms Are Entered and Valuables Taken Saturday and Sunday Nights

From Monday's Daily. Several boarding and rooming houses and one residence were burglarized last Saturday night, small amounts of money and articles of minor value being taken in most cases.

Burglars early Sunday morning entered the boarding houses of Mrs. W. J. Nolan and Mrs. W. E. Cobb at 1109 Indiana and 1202 Indiana, respectively, and took small amounts of money and personal belongings from boarders.

NEW INDICTMENTS AGAINST ALLEGED BOMB PLOTTERS

By Associated Press. New York, Dec. 6.—Five additional indictments were returned today against Robert Fay, Walter Scholz, Max Breitung, Dr. Herbert Kienzle, Englebert Bronkhorst and Paul Daech.

ELKS HOLD ANNUAL MEMORIAL SERVICES

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ADDRESS BY DALLAS ATTORNEY

Hon. James C. Wilson Speaks eloquently Upon Duty of Man to His Brother

NEIGHBORING MINISTERS INVITED TO JOIN ALLIANCE

Plans Are Made for Christmas Services at Session Held This Morning

From Monday's Daily. The Wichita Falls Ministerial Alliance this morning voted to extend an invitation to the pastors in all the surrounding towns to become members of the association and attend the meetings.

PARIS SWEAT SHOPS MAY COME UNDER BAN

Paris (By mail)—Further progress in the campaign against the sweating system in Paris has been made by the appointment of "salary committees" in accordance with the law passed last July with the object of regulating working conditions in the homes of women engaged in the clothing industries.

POINDEXTER IS PRESENT AT SENATE REPUBLICAN CAUCUS

Minority Appears United Again—Gallinger Chosen Chairman and Floor Leader

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 6.—Senate Republicans met in caucus today with assurance that the united minority for the first time since the organization of the progressive party, Senator Poindexter of Washington attended the caucus and joined its organization.

WILL RENEW EFFORT FOR FEDERAL COURT

WICHITA COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION TAKES MATTER UP TODAY

TO CONFER WITH JUDGE MEEK

From Monday's Daily. Efforts to secure the location of a federal court in Wichita Falls are to be renewed by the Wichita county bar association and at a meeting of that body this morning additional members were appointed to a committee named last fall on the matter, and the committee was instructed to go before the commissioners court to ask that in the building of the new court house provision be made to accommodate a federal court.

POULTRY SHOW TO BE HELD NEXT WEEK

SECOND ANNUAL EVENT OF THE KIND TO START ON DECEMBER 15

MANY ENTRIES ARE EXPECTED

Appeal is issued to Local Fanciers to Send in Their Birds Without Delay

From Sunday's Daily. This city's second annual poultry show will be held next week, beginning December 15th and preparations are being completed for the exhibiting of thousands of birds.

SHREVEPORT MAN IS ARRESTED FOR PANDERING

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STATE DEPARTMENT LAST NIGHT WITHOUT OFFICIAL INFORMATION—U. S. SHIPS IN VICINITY OF REPORTED ATTACK.

PROBABLY A GREEK VESSEL

Steamers Owned by Greeks But Flying American Flag Operating in Mediterranean—Submarine Austrian or German Craft.

By Associated Press. London, December 4.—A dispatch from Athens tells of a wireless message received there of an unidentified American vessel saying she was being attacked by a German or Austrian submarine.

Washington, December 4.—The state department last night had received no official information regarding the reported attack on an American ship in the Mediterranean.

It was learned from the navy department that the cruiser, Des Moines, probably was nearer the scene of the reported attack than the Caesar.

The disposition of naval officials was to regard it as improbable that any American war ship had been attacked either through accident or otherwise.

FATAL ACCIDENT SUNDAY ON DENVER NEAR VERNON

W. A. Ward, Brakeman, is Killed When He Falls Between Two Moving Cars.

From Monday's Daily. W. A. Ward, aged 28, brakeman on the Fort Worth & Denver and whose home was 404 Adams street, died yesterday afternoon at 1:30, about two hours after he fell between moving cars of his train No. 18 north-bound.

The accident happened at the water tank at Vernon. No one saw Ward fall but one of his fellow trainmen glimpsed his body between the wheels as he clutched at the oil box. When the train was stopped he was pulled from beneath a car. One hand was cut off at the wrist and a hole was torn in the back of his head.

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Personals

From Thursday's Daily. R. G. Sykes of Electra was here today on business. J. M. Watson of Olney, was a visitor here today. Frank Ker, Mrs. expected to return today from a trip to Galveston. Bob Sanburn of the Rexall Store made a trip to Vernon this afternoon. Mrs. R. L. Harris and baby left this afternoon for a visit with relatives at Dallas. J. V. C. T. Christensen left this afternoon for a short stay at Mineral Wells. Dr. and Mrs. C. R. Hartsook returned today after a trip to points in the plains section. Mrs. F. McElroy and children left this afternoon for a visit with relatives at Burk Burnett. Mrs. C. B. Montgomery left this morning for Gainsville where she will visit relatives for a week. Mayor W. I. Singleton of Archer City and Harry Daugherty, editor of the Archer Dispatch, were visitors here today. Sheriff George Hawkins left for San Antonio, accompanying a young woman whom he will place in the state insane hospital there. Paul McCormack of Salina, Texas, a nephew of J. A. Brown, is in the city for a short visit, after which he will go to Hereford for a visit. Mrs. A. G. Morris and family of Kerrville are visiting Mrs. Morris' brother, G. D. Anderson and family, and her sister, Mrs. Charles Morris at 1204 Denver street. Miss Ethel Morrison and Miss Grace McLaughlin of Archer City came up yesterday to see the Elks minstrels last night and remained over today for shopping. Mrs. W. S. Haid of Clinton, Oklahoma, arrived last night for a visit with her mother, Mrs. M. F. Day. She was accompanied by Mrs. Mary L. Christensen who has been her guest and who stopped off here for a short visit with her son, Will Christensen. Mrs. Christensen is en route to Houston. Mrs. E. W. Napier and children of El Paso, are expected to arrive tomorrow for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. McAbee. Mr. Napier who went to El Paso some months ago to practice law will probably return to Wichita Falls in the near future. Chief of Police J. B. Nail returned last night from Fort Worth where he was summoned as a witness in the trial of Sam Holland in the federal court on a charge of violating the Mann act. The taking of testimony had not been completed when Mr. Nail left Fort Worth. Mr. Nail helped arrest Holland here. Mrs. Manna Wilkes of Dallas, who has been the guest of Mrs. J. G. Tinsinger here this afternoon for Archer City. Mrs. Wilkes who is a trained nurse expects to locate in Wichita Falls. From Friday's Daily. Chas. Python, traveling representative of the Traveler cigar, was in the city today and left substantial evidence of his visit to the Times office. B. F. Suter, postmaster at Randlett, Okla., is here today on business. J. J. Cobb and wife are here from Iowa Park. J. W. Stone has returned from a trip to Panhandle City, Panja and other Panhandle points. Mrs. W. W. Mann left this afternoon for a short visit at Archer City. C. W. Coffey, C. V. Harris, C. E. McDonald, C. H. McHugh, Aston Robinson and W. S. Smith were among those who came down from Electra today with the body of Mrs. M. McIntyre. Mrs. Wright of Dallas, was here today on her return to that place after a visit with her sister, Mrs. T. B. Harding at Byers. Mrs. Harding accompanied her and will remain here several days for a visit with Mrs. Milton Erwin and other friends. Judge Stine of Henrietta, was a visitor here today. Rev. H. W. Horstmann, pastor of the Lutheran church at Clara, was here today with his family. Mrs. J. E. McElroy returned today from Sulphur Springs, where she has been visiting for several months. Mrs. H. A. Wright returned to her home at Childers today after a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Williams. Mrs. Ed Napier and children arrived today from El Paso. Mrs. A. J. Hunt left today for a visit of several months with relatives at Haskell. Karl Tenbrink of Petrolia, was here today on his way to Electra. Mr. Tenbrink is employed by the Producers Oil Company. From Sunday's Daily. Theodore Comest of Paducah is here to spend Sunday. G. W. Winburn and G. C. Moore of Mangum, Okla., are visitors here.

C. E. Shackelford of Henrietta is in the city. O. E. Warner and wife are down from Electra. B. L. Garvey of Archer City is registered at the Westland. Bob Cook of Electra was a visitor here yesterday. Attorney J. Marks of Electra was here yesterday. Mrs. S. J. Naylor has returned after an extended visit in Dallas. Dr. Chas. Saunders of Denton, is a visitor in the city over Sunday. George Thorburn left yesterday for Dallas on a short business trip. Sheriff Britton of Knox county passed through here yesterday on his way to Hillsboro with an attached witness. Mrs. J. M. Williams returned to her home at Clarendon yesterday after a visit with her son, C. M. Duke and family. C. Lombardi, vice-president of A. H. Belo and Company, publishers of the Dallas News, was here Friday. It was his first visit here in 20 years. Mr. Lombardi formerly owned considerable property in this section. W. W. Thompson and family who moved here last week from Hawley, Texas, were called back to that place yesterday by a message announcing that Mr. Thompson's brother was critically ill. Mrs. J. A. Moore who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. J. L. Maxwell has returned to her home in Bonham. She was accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Mary S. Davis who will visit with her for some time. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Pollard will leave next Wednesday for New Orleans where they will take the boat for New York. After a short visit in New York they will sail on the S. S. Cymric for England where they will reside. Mr. and Mrs. Pollard formerly resided in England but have made their home in Wichita Falls for the past several years. Their many friends gained during their residence here will regret very much their departure. Mr. and Mrs. Cecil B. Martin will leave Wednesday of this week for Valparaiso, Ind., where they will spend the Christmas holidays with their son, Cecil Jr., who is attending the university there. They will then proceed to their former home in Sherbrooke, Quebec, Canada where they will pay an extended visit to friends and relatives. From Monday's Daily. Judge Henry Sayles of Abilene, arrived this afternoon to look after his interests here. D. J. Carrithers was a passenger for Fort Worth this afternoon. Judge W. E. Fitzgerald made a trip to Fort Worth today. P. B. Cox and W. Y. Hammack left this afternoon for Waco as delegates from the local Masonic lodge to the Masonic Grand Lodge. H. D. Lee left for his home at Sorrel, North Dakota, this afternoon after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Perham. A. E. Myles returned today from Fort Worth, where he went yesterday with his father-in-law, N. M. Curry, who went down to consult Dr. Durninger. Mr. Curry remained in Fort Worth. Miss Blanche Murdock of Statesville, North Carolina, is expected to arrive tonight to visit her aunt, Mrs. Geo. W. Eagle. Sam Dozing, a resident here many years ago, now living at Channing, visited friends here today while en route to Waco to attend the Masonic Grand Lodge. R. H. (Bob) Lyons after a visit with his wife and baby here returned to Memphis this afternoon where he is buying cotton. Mrs. M. Murphy left this afternoon for a visit at Fort Worth. Rev. N. F. Grafton of the First Presbyterian church leaves today for Derby, Kansas, where he will conduct a two weeks' revival service. Mrs. Grafton will leave tomorrow night for Waxahachie where she will visit until Mr. Grafton's return. The pulpit will be filled in the pastor's absence by a member of the Trinity University faculty. Mrs. Maggie Hitchcock of El Paso, is the guest of Mrs. T. J. Leicham. Mich Hitchcock is chairman of the Civic committee of the El Paso Chamber of Commerce and has been active in the efforts to beautify that city. From Tuesday's Daily. C. S. Harris of Iowa Park, was the guest of his son, Judge Harvey Harris and wife over last night. Attorney Ed Yarbrough of Electra, was here today attending the county court. Sheriff George Hawkins, Constable Will Allen and Deputy Constable Ed Carnes formed a party that left in Mr. Hawkins' automobile yesterday for a week's hunting trip in Stone-wall, Kent, Dickens and Cottle counties. They will first go to the ranch of Bob Hawkins, Sheriff Hawkins' brother in Stonewall county. They will be joined there by Mr. Hawkins and Sheriff Fred Centers of Stonewall county after which they will go

of the ranch of John Hawkins in Dickens county. Miss Hazel Ford of Denison, is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. G. Eagle and other relatives. She was accompanied by Miss Blanche Murdock of Statesville, N. C., Mrs. Eagle's niece, who will visit for some time. Gilbert Irwin of Electra is here today. D. C. Hendrickson of Fort Worth, is in the city. John Gilbert and family passed through here yesterday on their way from Newcastle to Lubbock, where they will make their home. Mr. Gilbert is engaged in the cotton business at Lubbock. W. C. Young, an Archer county stockman, was here today on his way to Fort Worth to buy some steers. Judge H. I. Singleton, mayor of Archer City, was a visitor here today. A. M. Wilson is here from Walnut Springs. H. H. Franklin was a business visitor here today. D. Bishel of Denton, is a visitor in the city. G. W. Halton returned to Fort Worth this morning after a short stay here. W. C. Grant of Abilene and J. W. Freeman of San Antonio are here to investigate to learn whether a local concern can manufacture parts of Grant's quick making machine. Mr. Grant is the inventor and patentee of the machine and is head of the company organized to put them on the market. Henry Sayles returned to Abilene this afternoon after spending a day here looking after investments. Dr. L. C. Tyson left this afternoon for a stay of several days at Fort Worth. Edward B. Halsey, general sales manager for the Baldwin Locomotive Works, with headquarters at Philadelphia, left this afternoon, after a short visit with Frank Kell. Several years ago while general manager of the Northwestern railroad Mr. Kell bought several locomotives through Mr. Halsey and upon Mr. Kell's recommendation Mr. Halsey made some investments here which have turned out quite handsomely. Mr. Halsey who has been at the San Francisco exposition came out of his way on his return to Philadelphia for a short visit with Mr. Kell. R. O. Harvey and family have returned from Austin where they have been visiting relatives. From Wednesday's Daily. E. J. Kelly of Memphis is a visitor here today. D. M. Hardy was a passenger for Fort Worth this afternoon. Hugh Reilly left this afternoon for Fort Worth to buy hogs for his ranch at Dundee. R. A. Furlow of Ardmore, formerly a resident of Burk Burnett visited with friends here today. C. W. Johnson and family left today for a visit with relatives in Rankin and Upton counties, Texas, where Mr. Johnson will join a deer hunting party. Gus Hoover, district passenger agent for the Cotton Belt whose headquarters are at Fort Worth, was here today. Mrs. P. A. Ford of Gilmer is expected to arrive tonight for an extended visit with her daughter, Mrs. W. B. Chauncey. R. J. Timmis, a prominent capitalist of Gainsville was here yesterday and today looking after his investments. Mr. Timmis was one of the survivors of the Lusitania disaster. Mrs. Ida C. Arnold, president of the local W. C. T. U. will leave tomorrow afternoon for Tombstone, Ariz., where she will spend the winter with a sister. During her absence Mr. J. W. Akin will have charge of the affairs of the Union.

CHANGES IN INCOME TAX LAW PROPOSED

(Continued from Page One) serving the business interests of the country during that critical period grave disaster would have resulted. "It is a pleasure to acknowledge that the efforts of the government were seconded and supported by the earnest and patriotic co-operation of the business interests of the country. During the year there has been a steady, healthy, forward movement in every line of activity until now prosperity has been firmly established throughout the country." Retaining Prosperity. Mr. McAdoo included letters from mercantile agencies to support his statement, and quoted figures on railroad and other business operations to show increased activities. "The financial situation of this country," he continued, "has never been so strong and favorable as now. Our financial resources are the greatest in our history and our banking system, through the creation of the Federal Reserve system, is now the strongest in the world. In every respect the economic and financial condition of the country is extraordinarily sound. It is greater than that of any other nation and if we use our resources and our opportunities intelligently and wisely, we shall establish the prosperity of this nation upon an impregnable foundation for many years to come." In that connection the secretary's report showed the stock of gold in the United States on November 1, 1915 was \$2,198,752 compared with \$1,800,576,580 on January 2 and that it is by far the largest sum in gold ever held by one country. Indications were, he added, that the present stock would be greatly augmented. The report reviews at length, operations of the treasury department for the year. Mr. McAdoo's deposits of gold in the Atlanta, Dallas and Richmond Federal Reserve banks and his decision to make reserve banks government depositories and fiscal agents. Public Building Methods. Legislation recommended included \$50,000 for a second Pan-American financial conference in Washington in 1917 and \$25,000 for the use of the United States section of the International High Commission on Uniformity of Laws for the two Americas. The method of legislating for public buildings in an omnibus bill received the secretary's disapproval and he asked that it be discontinued. Needless waste of public money, he said, will be avoided if Congress will hereafter not authorize the acquisition of public building sites until authorization is made for the building to go on the sites. He asked that the secretary of the treasury be authorized to fit the building to the city and not to make it just as imposing as the sum appropriated under the present system will permit. Mr. McAdoo asked for two cruising cutters for the coast guard service on the Pacific Coast, to cost \$700,000, a harbor cutter for New York to cost \$125,000 and one for San Francisco to cost \$50,000. He says that in plans for national defense the coast guard will have important assignment and that authorization for the service will be valuable from a military standpoint. Reviewing the oleomargarine and whiskey frauds of the year the report again recommends changes in the oleo law to reduce the invitation to commit similar frauds. FOR HOW LONG? Wichita Falls Raises a Pertinent Question. When a neighbor tells us that he has recovered from a serious illness, the first question that naturally arises is, "How long will he keep well?" Temporary relief is one thing, but a lasting cure is altogether different. There is nothing temporary about the work of Doan's Kidney Pills as the following evidence proves beyond a doubt. John Glen, shoemaker, 712 Seventh St. Wichita Falls, says: "For many years, I had been troubled by various symptoms of kidney and bladder complaint. I had pains in my back and sides and was bothered by irregular passages of the kidney secretions. Seeing Doan's Kidney Pills highly recommended, I used them and found them entirely better than advertised. They entirely cured me." The above statement was given on January 4, 1912 and on March 30, 1915, Mr. Glen said: "The cure Doan's Kidney Pills gave me has been permanent." Price 50c. at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy-get Doan's Kidney Pills-the same that Mr. Glen had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

PYTHIAN MEETING LARGELY ATTENDED

Grand Chancellor Ellis of Denison Attends—Work in Three Ranks Exemplified. From Wednesday's Daily. About 150 Knights of Pythias of whom fully half were from out of town points attended the 26th district meeting here last night. The meeting is reported to have been the best ever held by the Knights of Pythias here. Following the program at the Knights of Pythias hall and initiatory work in all the degrees there was a banquet spread at the Metropolitan Cafe. One hundred and thirty thirty were served. The following towns were represented at the meeting: Henrietta, Electra, Wichita Falls, Iowa Park, Olney, Bowie, Newcastle, Seymour and Throckmorton. Dr. J. W. DuVal, deputy grand chancellor presided. The address of welcome was delivered by Judge E. W. Nicholson to which response was made by Dr. C. J. Simpson. Addresses were delivered by Grand Chancellor H. E. Ellis of Denison, and John T. Bonner of Waco, past Supreme Lodge representative. Work in the three ranks, Page, Esquire and Knight, was exemplified by the Henrietta quartette. Mr. Lyles of the quartette took the part of Pythagoras and his rendition was pronounced by Grand Chancellor Ellis as the finest he had ever heard. Grand Chancellor Ellis left this afternoon for Quannah to attend a district meeting here. SATURDAY'S BASKET BALL GAME IS CALLED OFF. From Wednesday's Daily. The basket ball game which was scheduled for Saturday between Archer City and the local high school teams has been called off, owing to illness in the ranks of the Archer City team. B. E. McGlamery, manager of the local team received word to this effect this morning. It is hoped that a game can be arranged with Electra for Saturday so that the date will not be lost. The girls have been putting in good time at practice of late and are anxious to play as many games as possible with other high school teams. Announcement will be made later of the arrangements for Saturday. WICHITANS PURCHASE WINFREY 700 ACRE FARM. A deal has been closed whereby J. W. Culbertson and J. C. Hunt of this city become the owners of the J. B. Winfrey farm of 700 acres south of Iowa Park. The consideration is said to have been \$24,000. This farm is one of the finest in Wichita county most of it lying in the river valley above overflow. It is believed to be a promising location for oil and while the plans of the new owners have not been announced it will doubtless be developed in the near future. YOUNG PEOPLE OF COOPER UNITED IN MARRIAGE. Ed Mason and Miss Fannie Wade of the Cooper school house neighborhood, were married in the county clerk's office today at noon. Judge W. J. Howard performing the ceremony. The bridal party consisted of Mr. and Mrs. James Wade, Miss Reacey Wade, John Cooper and the contracting parties. GRAND JURY DRAWN FOR DECEMBER TERM OF COURT. The December term of the 30th district court will open December 20 and the grand jury will be empaneled on that date. The term at Henrietta is now drawing to a close, having only one more week to run. It is expected that the grand jury will organize and immediately adjourn until after the holidays. Those drawn for the December term are: W. C. Meyers, Jack Bradley, J. F. Boyd and A. C. Friberg, precinct No. 3; D. E. Holcomb, L. P. Douglas, Ralph Moore, precinct 4; Lee Cooper, precinct 2; J. J. Werkins, C. W. Bean.

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FEW EVIDENCES OF WAR REMAIN ON BATTLEFIELD. By Associated Press. Paris (By Mail)—The traveler by rail from Nancy to Paris now finds little to be seen from the car window to indicate that the country on both sides of the line was twice covered in retreat and advance by the two great armies that are still fighting just beyond the ridges of Champagne and the forest hills of the Argonne that are visible to the north. DR. J. W. HILL ASSIGNED TO COMMERCE PASTORATE. The assignments for the North Texas conference of the M. E. Church, South, announced today at Bonham, included the sending of Dr. J. W. Hill to the church at Commerce, Hunt county. Dr. Hill was for three years pastor of the M. E. Church, South, of this city, being transferred last year to the Southwest Texas conference and assigned to the Laurel Heights church in San Antonio. He was recently transferred to the North Texas conference. Berlin, (by mail)—Turkey's participation in the war is bringing a greater degree of freedom to the Turkish women. The Turkish ministry of posts telegraphs and telephones announces that women are to be employed in the money-order departments of the post offices. They must be not less than seventeen years old and unmarried. The pay is about \$16 monthly. Damascus reports the opening of a girls' school.

PROFESSIONAL CARDS. ROBERT E. HUFF, Attorney-at-Law, Prompt attention to all civil business. Office: Rear First Nat'l Bank. JOHN C. KAY, Attorney-at-Law, First National Bank Building. J. R. OGLE, Attorney-at-Law, Room 12, Ward Building, Phone 121. F. R. (DAN) BOONE, Attorney-at-Law, Suite 406-407 Kemp & Kell Building. J. M. BLANKENHIP, Attorney-at-Law, Room 2, Ward Building, Phone 673. W. T. CARLTON, Lawyer, Practice in all courts. Office: Room 416 K. & K. Bldg. Phone 710. H. O. GLASCOCK, Lawyer, Room 10 McClurkan Bldg. Phone 620. PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS. DR. A. L. LANE, Physician and Surgeon, Room 305, First Nat'l Bank Building, Office phone 586; Residence phone 487. DR. WADE H. WALKER, Surgery and General Practice, Office: First National Bank Bldg. Rooms 301-302. DR. AMASON & HARGRAVE, Surgery and General Medicine, Office: 203-204 Kemp & Kell Bldg. Office phone 760. Dr. Amason residence phone 540. Dr. Hargrave residence phone 763. Surgeons in charge Amason & Hargrave Hospital, 806 Brook. DENTISTS. DR. W. H. FELDNER, Dentist, 605 Seventh Street. ARCHITECTS & CIVIL ENGINEERS. FIELD & CLARKSON, Architects, 517 Kemp & Kell Building, Ft. Worth and Wichita Falls. LODGE DIRECTORY. Wichita Falls Camp, No. 12006 M. W. of A.—Meets every Thursday at 8 p. m., 708 1/2 7th St.; B. M. Bulford, Consul; E. G. Cook, Clerk.

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BREAK WITH AUSTRIA IS THREATENED

FAILURE TO ANSWER NOTE ON ANCONA INCIDENT MAY CAUSE SEVERING OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH VIENNA

URGENT DEMAND MADE

Failure to Furnish Information Not Understood at Washington and Uneasy Situation Has Resulted From Diplomatic Exchanges

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 10.—Diplomatic relations with Austria-Hungary are in danger of being broken off by the United States unless the urgent demands of the American note to Vienna for a disavowal of the sinking of the Ancona and for reparation are complied with.

W. C. T. U. CONVENTION WILL BE HELD HERE NEXT MAY

This City Wins Fight For State Meeting Executive Committee

By Associated Press. Fort Worth, Dec. 10.—The Texas Women's Christian Temperance Union convention will be held in Wichita Falls, Texas in May, it was decided at the meeting of the executive committee today in this city.

BUSINESS STATESMANSHIP DISCUSSED BY PRESIDENT

Urges That Commercial Resources of Nation Be Mobilized as Defense Measure

By Associated Press. Columbus, O., Dec. 10.—President Wilson, addressing the Chamber of Commerce here today, declared that if the United States preserves its self-possession in the present crisis, it will have great influence in reconstructing the peaceful course of the world and in bringing the nations together again.

Preparedness by business to mobilize the resources of the nation as a measure of national defense was urged by the president in his address before the business men.

SWEETWATER POSTOFFICE SAFE BLOWN AND ROBBED

By Associated Press. Sweetwater, Texas, Dec. 10.—Yegmen last night blew open the post-office safe and escaped with several hundred dollars in stamps and money.

BERLIN MOB REPORTED IN PEACE RIOT

By Associated Press. Paris, Dec. 10.—The Rome correspondent of the Journal sends the following:

Zurich, Switzerland dispatch states that violent demonstrations in favor of peace have taken place in Berlin. The police were obliged to charge the crowds. The windows of doors and cafes were smashed during the rioting. Soldiers in the crowd took an active part in the disturbances.

EXPLAINS PROGRAM FOR PREPAREDNESS

WAR COLLEGE SUBMITS REPORT SHOWING NATION'S MILITARY NEEDS

LANDING OF HOSTILE FORCES

Dangers to Which This Country Would Be Subjected in Time of War, Set Forth

By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., Dec. 10.—Secretary Garrison made public today in connection with his annual report the special National Defense report prepared at his request by the War College division of the General Staff.

With the color of the Regular Army. Reserves at end of enlistment period. Total. Continental Army. Under training, three months a year for each of three years.

In addition to these figures, Secretary Garrison points out in a digest of the special report, an annual expense of \$20,000,000 for each of four years would be necessary for harbor defenses and reserve material would cost for the first year \$503,228,786.

It was the cost of the War College plan which led Secretary Garrison to develop the modified plan which has been presented to Congress with the backing of the administration.

Secretary Garrison's statement shows that the War College has been asked to renew its consideration of the subject in order that certain of its estimates may be more fully worked out.

The report opens with a consideration of the military problem confronting the United States from which it now reaches the conclusion that "the existing condition of isolation no longer exists."

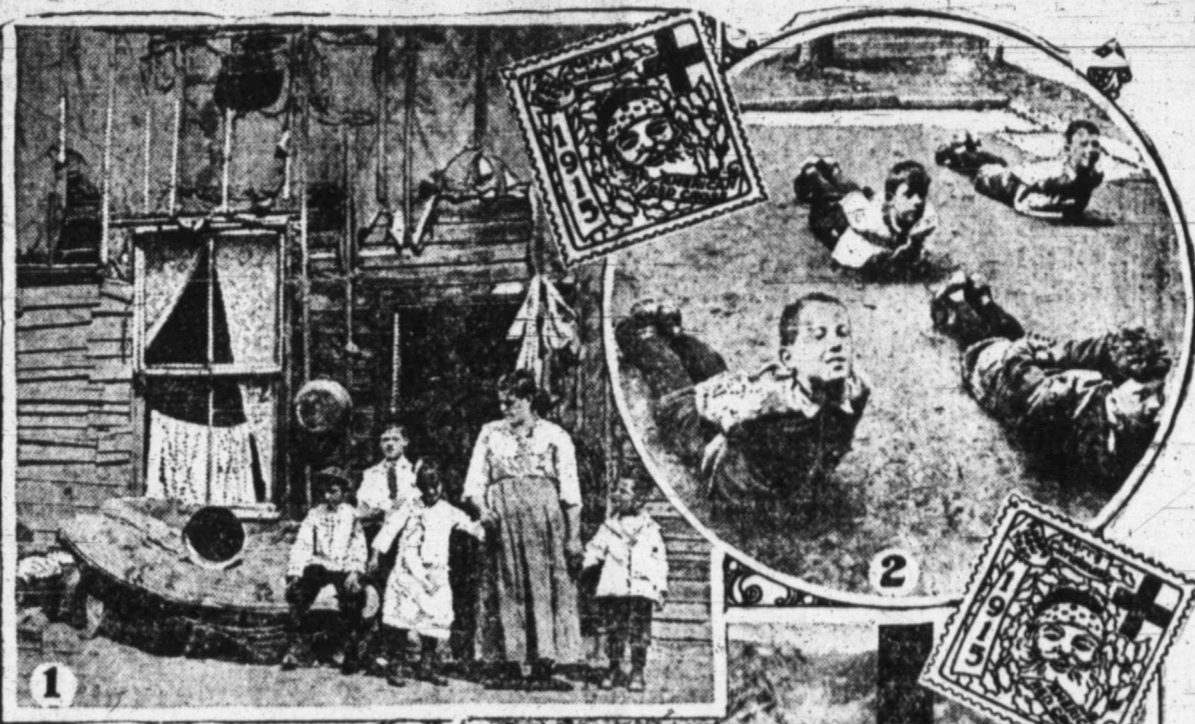
"But we have not learned our lesson," the report adds. "It has never been driven home by the bitterness of defeat. We have never known a Jena or Sedan."

Strength of Hostile Force. The report contains a table of the military strength of the seven leading foreign powers as of August, 1914, and also an estimate of the available shipping for a military expedition to the United States.

The qualities of these troops, with the exception of the Japanese, are now being tested the report declares and finds that the result is to show "an example of resultant efficiency."

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Every Red Cross Seal Purchased. Is A Bullet Fired Against Disease



As has been the case for several years past, the American Red Cross society is using the Red Cross Christmas seals to raise funds to aid in the war-fare on tuberculosis.



Red Cross society, with headquarters in Washington, has the president of the United States for its honorary head. In the pictures, No. 1 shows

FRENCH CRUISER FIRES SIX SHELLS AT AMERICAN SHIP

OFFICER BOARDS VESSEL AFTER IT STOPS AND DEMANDS TO SEE LISTS—PASSENGERS RUN IN NIGHT CLOTHES

TO REMOVE GERMAN SUBJECTS

Lieutenant Declares Orders Have Been Issued to Take Them Off of Ships—Captain Protests Against Procedure

By Associated Press. San Juan, Porto Rico, Dec. 10.—Four blank shots and two solid shots were fired yesterday by the French cruiser Des Cartes in holding up the American steamship Coamo.

A French lieutenant who boarded the Coamo said orders had been given to take all subjects of Germany and their allies from ships' crews beginning December 8th, and to take all such persons from the passengers after December 18th.

The captain protested against the action of the lieutenant and was informed by the latter of the orders he said had been issued.

MAY REQUEST GREECE TO GIVE THEM PRECISE ANSWER

Entente Powers Said to Be Planning to Clear up Misunderstanding That Exists

By Associated Press. Paris, Dec. 10.—The newspapers of Paris this afternoon published a report that the entente powers, in view of contradictory statements concerning the attitude of the Greek government, are likely to request Greece to give a precise answer to the notes presented by the entente ministers.

CROP IS ESTIMATED AT 11,161,000 BALES

GOVERNMENT FIGURES PLACE COTTON YIELD AT 5,000,000 BELOW LAST YEAR.

3,175,000 THIS STATE'S YIELD

Total in Each State is Below 1914; Also Under Average for Four Years.

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 10.—This year's cotton crop will amount to 11,161,000 bales of 500 pounds, gross weight, exclusive of linters.

The final official figures giving the exact size of this year's crop will be issued by the census bureau next March when complete statistics from the ginneries have been compiled.

Table with 3 columns: Year, Total, and Other St. Rows include Va., N. C., S. C., Ga., Fla., Ala., Miss., La., Tex., Ark., Tenn., Mo., Okla., Cal., and Other St.

WILL INVESTIGATE FIRE AT HOPEWELL

BOOM TOWN OF 25,000 IS PRACTICALLY WIPE OUT BY FLAMES

GOVERNMENT TAKING ACTION

Loss in Town is Estimated at From One to Three Millions—Militia is on Guard

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 10.—Chief Bi-laski of the department of Justice bureau of investigation today instructed his agents at Norfolk to proceed to Hopewell, Va. and make a thorough investigation of yesterday's fire.

Six companies of militia were rushed to Hopewell to preserve order, at the request of city authorities.

The restaurant in which the fire started is said to have been owned by a Greek citizen.

Laredo, Texas, Dec. 10.—Nine thousand Bibles intended for Carranza soldiers, according to the export addresses, were sent through this port into Mexico today.

THOUSAND DOLLAR DAYLIGHT ROBBERY IN HOUSTON TODAY

By Associated Press. Houston, Texas, Dec. 10.—A thousand dollar jewelry robbery was committed at a populous locality on Main street in broad daylight while a score of astounded persons looked on.

FINE FOR PRICE FIXING PAID BY BOWIE COUNTY OIL MILL

Another Suit is Settled, Penalties and Costs Amounting to \$750 Being Assessed.

By Associated Press. Austin, Tex., Dec. 10.—Settlement of another suit against cottonseed oil mills by the state was announced today. The Bowie County Cotton Oil Mill, of New Boston, has paid penalties amounting to \$750, with costs, and there has been issued an injunction preventing the fixing of cotton seed prices by the company.

FATE OF ALLIES EXPEDITION IN BALKANS DEPENDS ON BATTLE NOW BEING FOUGHT

WANTS FIRM STAND AGAINST ENGLAND

SENATOR HOKE SMITH URGES THAT THE UNITED STATES DEMAND RIGHTS.

SAYS NO PRECEDENTS EXIST

Answers Claim Regarding Conduct of American Government in Civil War.

By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., Dec. 10.—Senator Hoke Smith of Georgia today in a speech in the Senate called upon Congress to insist that Great Britain cease interference with neutral commerce.

"The United States with other nations should demand from Great Britain," said the senator "that this disregard of their rights cease. It may be necessary for the United States and other neutrals to let Great Britain understand that 'no word of act' will be omitted to enforce their rights."

The blockade of neutral ports is a deliberate disregard of neutral rights by Great Britain, Senator Smith continued, "there can be no pretense that it is sustained by the customs of nations. Indeed, there is no such pretense. It is a bold, reckless disregard of that freedom of the seas which is the right of neutrals by the customs of nations, and the rules of international law."

"Yet for eight months this disregard of the sovereign rights of all neutral countries has been permitted to continue to the serious injury of the commerce of our citizens."

Senator Smith denied that Great Britain could be excused on the ground that the United States had acted illegally and improperly in a similar way in the Civil War. He quoted from the decision of the United States supreme court in the Bermuda and Sankobok cases and said:

"To these cases the right of seizure was based not on the blockade of a neutral port, but on the fact that shippers had arranged a continuous voyage for the goods by sea into a blockade port."

Remarking that the relations between the United States and Great Britain had been growing closer for 100 years, the senator added:

"But we are not a dependency of Great Britain." Germany, too, he said, always had been a friend of the United States and "many American citizens loved that country only second to their own."

"The United States, therefore, owes it to her citizens and friends to maintain a real neutrality," Senator Smith said, "neutrals must maintain their neutral rights to maintain neutrality. Great Britain may desire to crush an enemy through the suppression of trade, but she has no right to do it at our loss or to make us the instrument of it."

MEXICAN SCIENTIST FINDS CHEAP SUBSTITUTE FOR X-RAY

Claims to Have Developed White Sulphur Processes to Take the Place of Radium.

By Associated Press. Mexico City, Dec. 10.—Dr. Manuel Perez Amador, director of the government institute for biological research, has announced the discovery of a method for the taking of X-ray photographs without the use of radium, Crooke's tubes or other expensive apparatus.

Employing an ordinary plate holder of a camera, Dr. Amador laid the body of the opaque slide under which was a photographic plate. A short distance above it he suspended an ordinary tin shade of an electric lamp to the inner side of which crystals of purified white sulphur had been made to adhere.

The resultant radio active rays penetrated the body of the lizard and the opaque slide and imprinted a perfect image of the skeleton and internal organs of the reptile on the plate inside the holder.

Dr. Amador claims to have discovered a cheap substitute for radium using his experiments of the past eight years with the radio active properties of white sulphur.

BULGARIANS ARE RENEWING ATTACK ON ENTENTE FORCES

HAVE BEEN HEAVILY REINFORCED AND ARE WELL SUPPLIED WITH ARTILLERY—FRENCH AND BRITISH FORCED BACK.

MUCH ANXIETY OVER OUTCOME

Allies' Retreat is Effected in Good Order and Without Serious Losses—Germans Lose Part of Trench in the Champagne District.

By Associated Press. London, Dec. 10.—The Bulgarians, heavily reinforced and well equipped with artillery, are renewing their victorious attacks on the French and British forces in Macedonia. Their assault has come through all the preliminary stages and is now approaching a climax of intense severity.

Although the pursuit of the retreating Serbians continues, it is apparent from the proportions of the Macedonian conflict that the major part of the Bulgarian forces has been diverted to give its attention to the allies. The outcome of the battle now in progress is awaited with great anxiety in England, as it will determine in large measure the immediate future of the entente allies in the Balkan theatre.

The numerical superiority of the Bulgarian forces has already been demonstrated in the initial encounters with the British and grave doubts are voiced as to the ability of the entente forces to repel the increasing momentum of the Bulgarian attack.

There is no intention, however, that the British or French have yet found it necessary to withdraw further than the positions mentioned in recent official communications.

With the Bulgarians in this position at Demit-Katu and advancing west of the Vardar near Petrovo, south of Strumitsa, the French west in Macedonia is threatened from both sides. The allied retreat toward the Greek border thus far has been accomplished in good order and without serious losses. The resistance of the Serbians fleeing into Albania is said to be growing less serious. But military affairs in the sections have become of comparatively small importance and have little bearing on the main situation, which since the Serbian retreat has shifted southward.

Hard fighting continues on the western front where the Germans have been compelled to relinquish all but a small part of the advanced trench captured by them east of Dute de Souain. There have been no important developments on the other fronts.

The British and the French expeditionary forces in the Balkans are reported to have entirely evacuated Serbian territory.

There are also apparent indications that the allied forces are contemplating the continuance of their retreat until they quit Serbian soil if they have not already left it. In view of the allied retreat the entente diplomats in Athens are reported to be pressing the Greek government to clear up the situation with regard to the status of the allied troops in the Balkan field, whose base is Saloniki. In the recent engagement in southern Serbia, the Bulgarians took ten thousand of British, Berlin reports; capture of 1200 prisoners in eastern Montenegro also is announced from Berlin.

The Italians in a wireless dispatch from Berlin, are declared to have sustained serious reverses in Tripoli in engagements with tribesmen. They are reported to have lost 6000 men killed, the advices state.

SAYS ALLIES ARE DRIVEN FROM SERBIA

By Associated Press. Berlin, Dec. 10.—According to information received in military quarters here, the Anglo-French expedition in the Balkans has continued its retreat and has now entirely evacuated Serbian territory.



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of the way of Hefner's punches fairly well, although the Scotland youth seemed to have the advantage. Bell's friends were pleased with his improved showing, as he was nearly knocked out in the former fight.

Mattison is slow. When the principals entered the ring for the main bout, Mattison objected to the amount of tape with which Walsh had protected his hands and after some argument the Californian removed part of the wrapping. He accused Mattison of not making the required weight, but further argument over technicalities was stopped and the fight began.

In the first round both boxers were unduly cautious. It seemed, and things moved slowly. A few licks passed, all by Walsh. Mattison contenting himself with keeping out of the way and executing some nimble footwork.

The second round was slow, although Mattison opened up a little giving Walsh an opportunity to land a few healthy swats. Mattison had the advantage in reach and he used this to the extent of darting in and landing a not too severe tap on Walsh's face.

The third round saw more action, Mattison making an effort to reach his opponent with indifferent success. There were several clinches and in one of these Walsh brought his right mitt around back of him, landing hard on Mattison's face, an unusual and clever blow. Mattison was still very cautious and seemed willing for Walsh to do all the work.

And Then the Finish. In the fourth round the Tennesseean was still very deliberate and Walsh worked Mattison across the ring and landed one with his left that forced Mattison's head back. Then a cross blow with his right with the point of Mattison's chin located exactly where the full force of the blow might take effect, landed and it was a case of "Tennessee, I hear you calling me."

The blow was delivered so neatly that only a few of the spectators realized that anything had happened until Mattison toppled to the mat and lay there, helpless. He was assisted to his corner, while his seconds worked on him in an effort to fit him to continue the bout, but before the gong sounded the towel was thrown up. Mattison was still dizzy as he went to the dressing room.

The bouts were refereed by Jess C. Hagin, late of San Diego, Cal., now located here. The next affair at the Athletic club will be between Walsh and Waugh, the latter coming here to defend his title of southern champion. It will be held next Thursday night and promises to be the premier offering of the season for local boxing fans.

### MATTISON KNOCKED OUT BY HARRY WALSH

THURSDAY NIGHT'S BOUT COMES TO SUDDEN ENDING IN FOURTH ROUND

### BLOW TO JAW IS FINISHER

Good Preliminaries Are Staged By Both White and Black Ring Performers

A sharp, sudden punch to the jaw of one Ray Mattison of Memphis, Tennessee, brought a scheduled ten round bout to a sharp, sudden ending in the fourth round at the Business Men's Athletic Club Thursday night. The punch was delivered by Harry Walsh, who thereby earned the right to meet Bobby Waugh, champion of the South, at the club next Thursday night.

There had not been enough fighting up to the fourth round to enable one to tell whether Mattison had anything beside a pair of gloves or not as he was very cautious and seemed to be feeling his opponent out, perhaps with the expectation of mixing things later in the evening. What his expectations were cannot be stated, however, for when the lick with the lullaby label landed he went down hard. The referee did not count him out, in deference to Texas laws on the subject, but he could have counted ten and then some had it been necessary. Mattison was helped to his corner with a bad case of the wobbles and before the gong sounded for the fifth round his second tossed a towel into the ring which is a pugilistic way of saying "I shall down the corn."

Preliminaries Are Pleading. The main bout, despite its dramatic ending, did not furnish nearly the entertainment that the preliminaries did. There was quite a bunch of the preliminary events and most of them were full of action, with the honors perhaps, going to two small colored persons who made faces at each other and did considerable fighting also. The semi-windup, between Willard Bell and Ben Hefner, was much slower than the former clash between these two and Bell made a much improved showing.

Two youngsters, Voss and Colburn, mixed things for the first event of the evening. Voss seeming to have the better of things in the three rounds, Blank and Hamilton were the performers in the second, a five round set-to, Blank being the superior. He uncorked some uppercuts that might have damaged an opponent with less stamina. Southworth and young Courtney were next, Southworth landing the most blows and getting the best of the contest. The other two chocolate drops mixed things, fighting furiously at times but putting in considerable of their time in very professional poses; one of the pickaninies had eyes that were slightly smaller than saucers and he glowered at his opponent in a way that brought much joy to the crowd.

Exciting Battle Royal. The battle royal furnished plenty of action, in spite of the fact that four of the negroes at first attacked the fifth in mass formation. The elimination process finally left only two in the ring. One negro was knocked down three times before he quit, but the third time he got up holding his head in his hands, and looking rather woozy. The two who were left fought for quite a while, neither having any decided advantage.

"Dutch" Kirk of this city and Redbird of McAlester appeared next for what was scheduled to be a four round bout. Kirk got more than an even break in the first round and had the best of things in the second, but at the end of the third after Redbird had rushed him around the ring repeatedly, Dutch tossed a towel into the ring and gave up.

The fourth round semi-windup between Bell and Hefner was a slow affair compared with the previous combat in which these two figured. Bell worked cautiously and kept out

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### CITY EMPLOYEES CANNOT "DRAW" IN ADVANCE

Salaried employees of the city hereafter cannot draw their money from the city more than four times in one month. The salaries of all the em-

ployees are on a monthly basis. Several of the employees have been drawing out their pay in frequent and small drafts. This practice makes more work for the auditors and was considered unbusinesslike hence the rule was adopted.

### You'll Soon Be Able to Buy Dill Pickles in a Clothing Store.—By Goldberg.

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### CLOTHES LINES STRIPPED OF GARMENTS BY THIEVES

Clothes line thieves have been abroad during the past few nights and have stripped clothes lines in different parts of town. Wednesday night the line at the home of Mrs. J. G. Fahn, 1409 Lamar street was stripped of practically every piece hanging on it. Thursday night a raid was made on a line at the home of C. W. Eider on Tenth street. Here the thief was more discriminating and chose only such pieces as suited his or her fancy. Several other reports of similar depredations have been received by the police department within the past few days and warning is given that if Wichitans leave clothes hanging out over night they had better stay up and watch it with a sawed off shot gun.

### BUILDING IS SECURED FOR POULTRY SHOW NEXT WEEK

Will Be at 622 Ohio—Indications Point to a Great Many Birds Being Exhibited.

The building at 622 Ohio avenue formerly occupied by the Ford agency has been secured for the Northwest Poultry show which opens next Wednesday. Carpenters are at work putting up benches for the exhibition coops. The officers of the association are receiving most encouraging reports of interest in the show and a far greater number of birds than were exhibited last year are expected. Walter Burton of Arlington, who will judge the show writes that exhibitors at all the shows which he has judged have manifested great interest in the exhibition here and many have signified their intention of sending birds here.

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Press Thou His Hand.

If thou hast bid thy friend farewell, But for one night though that farewell may be, Press thou his hand in thine. How canst thou tell how far from thee Fate or caprice may lead his steps ere that tomorrow comes?

Therefore, lest sudden death should come between, Or 'time or distance, clasp with pressure firm The hand of him who goeth forth; Unseen, Fate goeth, too. —Coventry Patmore.

CLASBEY-MILLER CLASS MEETS THURSDAY AFTERNOON

An interesting meeting of the Clasbey-Miller Class of the First Baptist Sunday school was held Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. J. Lory. Mesdames Lory and Fairchild being hostesses. The meeting was opened with a sacred selection, "Leaf Kindly Light," on the Victrola, followed by a prayer by Mrs. Miller. After a short business session Mrs. Watt gave an entertaining and inspiring reading, "The Spirit of Christmas." A Bible game and a guessing contest rounded out the afternoon's diversions.

MRS. BOONE HOSTESS TO MODERN CROCHET CLUB

The Modern Crochet Club met on Wednesday afternoon in pleasant session with Mrs. Boone. The usual crocheting and other fancy work was enjoyed until late in the afternoon when the hostess served a refreshment plate of sandwiches, salad, pickles, hot chocolate and cake. The members

present were Mesdames West, Pinkston, Allen, Scott, S. Hammond, Clyde Hammond, Duffy, Stengle and Miss Forsch. The next meeting of the club will be in two weeks with Mesdames S. Hammond and Clyde Hammond, 1415 Fifteenth street, and at this time the Christmas grab bag will be held.

THURSDAY SEWING CIRCLE MEETS WITH MRS. PRESSLEY

The annual Christmas grab bag was the chief topic of discussion at the meeting of the Thursday Sewing Circle this week to which Mrs. J. G. Pressley was hostess. The date for the affair was set for Dec. 16th with Mrs. T. J. Waggoner as hostess. The members present at the meeting on Thursday were Mesdames Waggoner, T. W. Stringer, Higgins, Gardner, Murph and Glen Berry.

MUSICIANS CLUB MEETS THURSDAY AFTERNOON

A splendid meeting of the Musicians Club was held Thursday afternoon at the Westland Club rooms, the attendance on this meeting being the largest in the history of the club. Numerous matters came up, including the next public concert which will be given on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 26th. Three more rehearsals will be held, one on next Thursday afternoon, the regular practice day, the second Sunday, Dec. 19th and the third, Dec. 23rd. At the meeting Thursday it was announced that all who appeared in the concert of the 26th must attend the three final practices. A discussion of the two musical attractions which will appear at the Wichita Theater after the first of the year under the auspices of the Musicians Club was also in order, the plans being made for advertising the attractions which are the Zoellner Quartet and the Reynold Sisters.

Following the business session and chorus practice the following program was carried out: Piano, "In Autumn" (McDowell); Mrs. T. P. Adams; Flute and violin duet, selected, Mrs. J. L. Art and Mrs. T. B. Greenwood; Piano, "Grillen" (Schumann), Miss Davis; Voice, "Il Bacio" (Arditi), Miss Agnew; Piano, Sonata No. 7 (Grieg), Miss Herron; Voice, "A Gypsy Maid" (Parker), Mrs. Clark; Piano, "Cuban Dance" (Hoffman), Mrs. Taylor; Vocal trio, "Night" (Aht), Mesdames Tully and Clifford and Miss Agnew.

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government pennies when the abolition of government sinecures and the reduction of the enormous pensions of the judges would say the critics, save pounds. But so far, the politicians have not shown a tendency to do away with useless jobs and unearned rewards.

Inquiries made at different tobacco shops in London by a representative of a newspaper shows that war economy is not widely practiced. When the new war tax went into effect, cheaper cigars and cigarettes were smoked for a time, but soon the smokers returned to their old brands. Dealers remark a falling off in the sale of boxes of cigars, although there is a greater demand for single cigars. The main difference caused by the new tax is that customers now grumble about the prices.

"Better close the libraries, which are an expensive luxury for slackers and a haunt for idlers and work shys," is the comment one of the women in the borough of Camberwell who came down to the public bath and wash house to find it closed as a measure of municipal economy. These public bath and laundry houses have been of great use to laborers' families in London, whose cottages have few or no conveniences for washing.

WORLD'S CROP OF TEA BREAKS PREVIOUS RECORDS

By Associated Press. London (By mail)—The tea season just closed has been one of the most prosperous years in the history of the industry. The quantity exported during the twelve months by the various producing countries increased from 754 to 892 million pounds.

India's crop has broken all previous records, contributing nearly 307 million pounds of which England took three-fourths. The increased use of tea in Russia is one of the features of the year's statistics, her imports amounting to 121 million pounds against 95 the previous year. The trade reports in fact, show that consumption of tea has increased everywhere, especially in countries where until lately tea has not been popular, while the military demand for the staple shows that there is an increasing tendency to supply the forces on active service with tea in preference to alcohol.

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ENGLAND'S ECONOMY SHOWN IN INCONSISTENT MANNER

Government Tries to Save Pennies But Wastes Pounds—Many Extravagances Cited

By Associated Press. London (By mail)—After preaching the need of economy to the nation, the House of Commons made its first start in this direction by substituting steel or quill pens, which have always been associated here with law and law making.

Few people like quill pens; but they look respectable. So they have preserved in conservative circles in spite of the obvious advantages of the steel pen. In the courts, any other pen than a quill would create a scandal. But quills are expensive and as a war measure they are now banned from the Commons. Their absence is regretted by members since they make excellent pipe cleaners, although poor pens. Steel pens, less writing paper and a curtailment of matches save the

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City Council Takes Action and Designates Four Who Will Investigate Conditions

The city council at its meeting last night voted to commission Mrs. A. H. Carrigan, Mrs. T. H. Peery, Mrs. Frank Cullinan and Mrs. M. Gaffney as food and milk inspectors giving them authority to enter meat shops and restaurants and to go upon dairies for the purpose of investigating conditions.

The action was taken at the suggestion of Mrs. R. G. Schuerer, president of the Civic League, who said such action had been suggested by the state food inspector. The ladies will also receive commissions from the state which will permit them to inspect dairies and slaughter houses beyond the city limits.

HUNGARIAN GENERAL PAYS TRIBUTE TO THE RUSSIANS

Private Soldiers Active and Determined and Not Afraid of Death, He Says

By Associated Press. Budapest, Hungary, (by mail)—An enthusiastic tribute to the Russian soldier and his leaders is paid by General Arz, the Hungarian military leader who for five months was Mackensen's chief lieutenant in the latter's Russian campaign. General Arz summarizes his opinion of the Russian enemy in a statement which he has given to the correspondent of one of the Budapest papers. He says:—

"The Russian military leadership is energetic and determined, and I must acknowledge that in this respect the Russians are quite up to date. I need not say that in fortifying positions and in retreating they are exceedingly clever. As far as field fortifications are concerned, we simply adopted their methods. In their retreats the striking capture is the way we succeeded in capturing the supplies of only one regiment together with a field kitchen and cooks."

"The Russian infantry soldier is very good. He is an active, brave, and determined soldier, not afraid of death, and those stories which assert that their officers drive them into battle with machine guns are all nursery tales. His individual merits are indubitable. Only in the mass does he fail. Russian soldiers are absolutely dependent on their leader, and if the leader falls they are lost. Their officers, therefore, are much more burdened and have a greater task to perform than ours, but it must be acknowledged that wherever their officers chose to lead them the men put up magnificent resistance."

"The Russian artillery is excellent. It is indeed most annoying, but fortunately we encountered always less and less artillery as we progressed, so that towards the end of the offensive it was not dangerous any more. Whatever artillery they had they shifted far back, for their main object was that we should not take any more guns from them. The Russian cavalry had little to do during the offensive."

"The prisoners," continued the General, "whom I came across were all handy and good-hearted people. They never behaved in a hostile manner towards us, unlike the prisoners on other fronts, who could not conceal their animosity and contempt. As I inspected he many thousands of Russian prisoners I always found that they were first class material in every way. Most of them are tall, strong and healthy. The only trouble is their inferior intelligence. I studied them carefully, and I saw that they have little knowledge of events, and some of them even thought that the French Emperor was

CANARY BUSINESS IN GERMANY AT STANDSTILL

By Associated Press. Berlin (By mail)—The business of the canary breeders of the Harz mountains has been almost utterly destroyed by the war. Tens of thousands of canaries were exported yearly to America, France, England and Russia. The war has stopped this and the domestic trade is almost completely at a standstill. Practically all the breeders have already abandoned the business.

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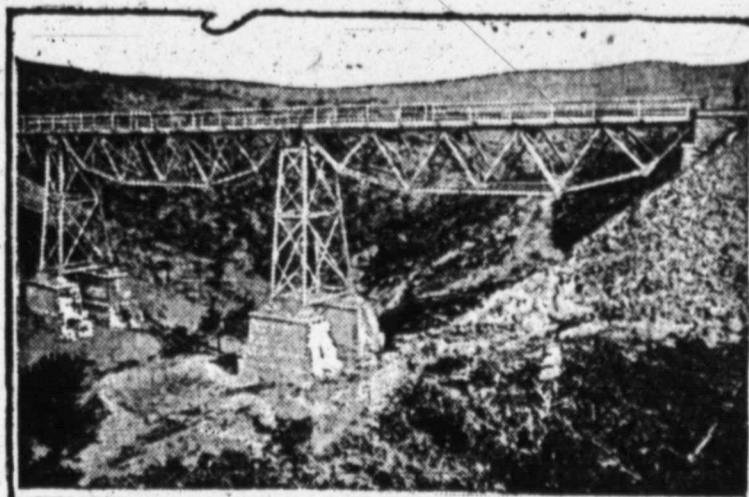
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Calgary, Canada, claims that she has 900 moose. That's nothing. In the year 1912, long about November 5th, there were by actual count 4,119,507 male members of that tribe in the United States, but they have become rather scarce now.

Home-seekers are coming into Texas daily. South Texas is getting most of them. Forty car loads passed through North Texas from the Eastern and Middle States the other day, and none of them came to this part of the State. We of this section should be doing something to attract home-seekers. For the past year or two not a great deal along that line has been done.

Eight months ago the ground upon which stood yesterday the city of Hopewell, Va., was only a cornfield, and a poor one at that. In eight months time a city of more than 20,000 population sprung up. Yesterday the principal portion of Hopewell was destroyed by fire. The Du Pont Powder Co. established one of its plants there for the purpose of manufacturing powder for the warring nations, and the war price for smokeless powder is \$1 per pound. It costs from forty to sixty cents per pound to manufacture it. From this it will be seen the powder company realizes a nice profit, and our prediction is that the burned district in Hopewell will soon be rebuilt.

The ginners report indicates the cotton crop of the United States is short at least 3,000,000 bales of the same date as last year, and from this time on the shortage will be greater. The bulk of the cotton crop has been picked, and the government's early estimate that the total would not be in excess of 11,000,000 bales will hit the mark. Cotton is now selling around 12 cents. It should not go below that figure, but in the event the cotton producers succeed in reducing the acreage, or even hold it down to what it was this year, we can reasonably expect the price to be about 15 cents for the 1916 cotton crop. A short cotton crop sells for more actual money than a large cotton crop. It requires less land and less labor to produce a short crop than a big crop. The producers can control the price by cooperating with each other, and when this is done no more cotton will be produced than there will be a legitimate demand for.

A Wichita Falls horse thief is suffering from a remorse of conscience. He refused to ask for a suspended sentence when he pleaded guilty saying he did not believe in the suspended sentence law. This is the saddest blow of all!—Sherman Democrat. When those who plead guilty to crime become disgusted with the way that law is being overworked, it would seem that it is time law-abiding people were beginning to take notice.

The movement to have capital punishment abolished started in Dallas just after the Fort Worth hanging, and was inaugurated by women. And as if in answer to their plea, a highly respected woman of Dallas was murdered in cold blood within a week. Of all places where vigorous punishment to murderers should be demanded, Dallas should take the lead, because there are more murders committed there than in any other town of like size in the country. And seldom is a murderer executed in Dallas county. The Dallas ladies are all right, so far as sentiment goes. They are inspired by a humane spirit that is noble. But if it seems brutal to take the life of a fellow-being because he has violated the laws of God and man, how about the innocent lives taken by this class of criminals? The Sheriff did a bungling job in that Fort Worth execution, and naturally it caused a shudder to run over the people who read of it, but he might not have been so awkward if he were permitted to practice more on the many murderers who deserve, but do not receive, the death sentence.—Texas Republic.

If the President's suggestion to place a revenue stamp on each bank check drawn, is written into law by Congress multitudes of old stockings, trunks and other receptacles will take the place of many spaces in bank deposit vaults, and thus will scads of current funds go into hibernation without the circulating chance they would have if deposited in the banks. Such a measure will not only be an expensive annoyance to those who use banking checks in their pursuits, but it will be the means of abridging the current circulation that now prevails.—Gainesville Register.

It's a nuisance to be forced by law to place revenue stamps on every check drawn on a bank, to say nothing of the expense, but the people who have money will bank it rather than carry it on their person or hide it in socks. It has not been so very long

ago since the government placed tax on money. The people complained, just as they will again, but it will do them no good, and they will continue to deposit their money in the banks because it's safest.

PROFIT IN WAR NEWS.

(Brownwood Bulletin.) There is a general impression among the reading public that the great mass of war news which has been coming from Europe for more than a year has resulted in large profits to the newspapers of the country, by reason of increased subscriptions and large street sales. This may be true as regards the larger dailies, but for papers like the Bulletin and scores of other smaller dailies in Texas, which are paying fancy prices for the war news, it has meant no increase in sales or subscriptions, but a decided increase to the contrary in cost of telegraph service.

Discussing the question of profit in handling war news, the Denton Record Chronicle says:

Papers in towns the size of Denton have comparatively few street sales. Here in Denton where practically every household is a regular subscriber to the Record-Chronicle, sales are practically nil. And we dare say there are people even here who believe the war is a fine thing for all papers in that it booms their circulation. The Wichita Falls Times shows the other side of the story. "When the European war started if our memory serves us correctly the Associated Press had a surplus in its treasury of something like half a million dollars. Today it is said this surplus has not only been exhausted but it is thought the assessment on members will have to be increased in order to meet the increased expense of getting the European war news. And yet there are thousands of people who have an idea that this European war is a great thing for the newspapers in a financial way."

The Record-Chronicle is a member of the Associated Press and any increase in its assessments necessitated by the extraordinary expense incident to the war would fall proportionately on this paper. And aside from the fact that wars permanently increase the readers of daily newspapers, there is no gain in circulation in sight to offset the increase in cost of production.

view of contradictory statements

"Do you enjoy Brahms?" "Can't say I ever tried R. Anyhow, I don't care particularly for any of those patented breakfast foods."—Detroit Free Press.

A few strong instincts and a few plain rules.—Wordsworth.

"Beeg mending your political fences?" "No," said Senator Sorghum; "only whitewashing 'em."—Washington Star.

"The lawyer next door has been forced into bankruptcy with big liabilities but no assets to speak of." WISE AND OTHERWISE. —Baltimore American.

In the days of old when knights were bold a jilted maiden drowned herself. But nowadays it is the craze to sue the jilted for his self.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

"I bought this armchair on the installment plan." "Easy terms?" "Rather! A dollar down and a dollar whenever the collector can catch me."—Boston Transcript.

"It is only a question of time when the suffragists will sweep the country." "Nonsense! Not half of them know how to handle a broom."—New York American.

The Embarrassed One: "You've saved my life with the five. I'll owe you an eternal debt of gratitude." The Generous One: "I don't care how long you owe me your gratitude, but as to the five simoleans—that's another matter."—Punch Bowl.

NEXT YEAR'S CAMPAIGN OPENS WITH MEETINGS OF COMMITTEES



WILLIAM F. MCCOMBS, CHAIRMAN. CHARLES D. HILLIS, VICE-CHAIRMAN.

First shot of the national campaign of 1916 was fired Dec. 7, in Washington when the Democratic national committee held its meeting on the second day of the session of congress. Chairman William F. McCombs presided. On Dec. 14 the Republican national committee, under the leadership of Chairman Chas. D. Hillis, will meet, also in Washington, to formulate plans for the campaign. Hillis will meet, already announced, that an attack upon the Wilson administration and upon the present tariff will be the principal features of the G. O. P. fight.

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GERMAN CONSUL GENERAL BITTER IN HIS CRITICISMS

Says He Does Not Like This Country Any More—Says Many Will Return.

San Francisco, Dec. 10.—Franz Bopp, consul general of Germany in San Francisco today arraigned the American public for what he terms its unfair treatment of his countrymen.

Coincidentally, Herman D. Lempike, attorney for the Kaiser's consulate, issued a lengthy statement flaying United States District Attorney Preston, intimating that Collector of the Port Davis had violated the laws of neutrality and setting forth in detail heretofore unpublished accounts of the activities of Charles Crowley as a German agent.

GOAT IS GOAT OF TEST OF NEW ENGLISH BOMB

By Associated Press. London (By mail)—A goat that was selected to test a new type of gas bomb at an experimental station back of the firing line in France, writes a correspondent, escaped the ordeal and has now been nursed back to health.

For want of other animals to experiment on, the goat was borrowed by the army scientists from a neighboring farm and let down into a trench. A bomb was exploded in the trench and a few minutes later the goat, weeping and apparently suffering great inward discomfort, was lifted out. The veterinary surgeon then prescribed an alkaline solution sufficiently to be able to eat appetizing mashes with a spoon.

Men often volunteer for experiments of this kind, but they go in to test the deadliness of the bomb, as did the goat, but try out the latest inventions in gas helmets.

TWO MORE STEAMERS REPORTED SUNK TODAY

London, Dec. 10.—The Italian steamer Dante Alighieri and the Norwegian steamer Merula have been sunk. The crews of both vessels were saved.

COUNCIL FURTHERS PLANS FOR LIBRARY

VOTES UNANIMOUSLY TO MAKE APPLICATION TO CARNEGIE FOR DONATION

WILL LEVY MAINTENANCE TAX

Club Women Appear Before Council and Ask Support Which is Unanimously Accorded

The city council took the first formal step in the effort to secure a Carnegie library for Wichita Falls when it voted unanimously last night to make application to the Carnegie corporation for a donation. Thirty thousand dollars was the amount of the donation proposed but this will be determined by the donor and will be based on the population of the city, taxable values and other factors.

The matter was laid before the council by a committee from the club women of the town who have been agitating the matter for several months and have already lined up strong support for the movement. The committee before the city council last night was comprised of Mrs. C. W. Snider, Mrs. J. A. Kemp and Mrs. A. H. Carrigan. They were accompanied by H. L. Hunter who submitted a letter he had received from the secretary of the Carnegie corporation several months ago outlining the manner of application.

Mrs. Snider as spokeswoman for the committee said that Mr. Carnegie's only requirement in connection with a donation was that the city council levy a tax equal to ten per cent of the amount of the donation for the maintenance of the library. The site, she said, also must be donated and it was planned to buy the site by popular subscription. Mayor Britain figured that ten per cent of a donation of \$30,000 would require a tax levy of between 2 and 4 cents on the hundred dollars on the present valuations of the city. This he said could best be arranged by an amendment to the city charter which will be submitted to the people if the application to the Carnegie corporation is favorably acted upon.

The motion that such application be made was offered by Councilman Brisley and was seconded by Councilman Reed. The vote was unanimous.

UNFILLED STEEL TONNAGE SHOWS BIG INCREASE.

By Associated Press. New York, Dec. 10.—The unfilled tonnage of the United States Steel corporation on November 30th, totalled 7,189,489 tons, an increase of 1,024,037 tons over October, according to announcement made here today.

EXPLAINS PROGRAM FOR PREPAREDNESS

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lency of any nation that has developed a sound military policy; the soundest policy being the one which insures a successful termination of the war in the shortest time."

Presenting the military problem of the country the report continues: "Without superiority on the sea or an adequate land force there is nothing to prevent any hostile power or coalition of powers from landing on our shores such part of its trained and disciplined troops as its available transports can carry. The time required is limited only by the average speed of its vessels and the delay necessarily consumed in embarking and disembarking."

The report then makes this statement of the military problem: "The Defense Problem. From what has been stated, we are forced to the conclusion that we must be prepared to resist a combined land and sea operation of formidable strength. Our principal coast cities and important harbors have already been protected by harbor defenses, which, by passive method alone, can deny to an enemy the use of these localities as bases for such expeditions. The enemy being unable to gain a

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U. S. Deputy Marshal Honea came up from Fort Worth this morning to take back with him J. E. Pogue for an investigation for alleged violation of the Mann Act. Pogue was arrested here last week and a complaint charging pandering was filed against him. It is now alleged that he brought a woman from another state here for immoral purposes.

#### Notice.

In preparing the grade for paving on Lamar street, from 10th to 17th streets, inclusive, the city finds that it will have a surplus of dirt. In order to dispose of it, will make the following prices:

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- 2 block haul . . . . . 16c per cu. yd.
- 2 1/2 block haul . . . . . 17c per cu. yd.
- 3 block haul . . . . . 18c per cu. yd.
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C. Routen was arrested here last night by the sheriff's force for Young county officers. A deputy sheriff came up this morning from Graham to take Routen there. He is charged with seduction.

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Marriage licenses have been issued as follows: Travis L. Evans to Miss Gertrude Caldwell; W. T. Moody to Miss Aten Stamford.

Mrs. Santa Claus Headquarters will be at the First Presbyterian bazaar. All sorts of doll clothes, hats and furniture. Remember the date—Friday and Saturday at the old Bessey store. 78-4c

The First Presbyterian Ladies Aid will host a Christmas bazaar, December 10th and 11th in the Bessey building. On Saturday, the 11th, they will serve a chicken dinner. 78-4c

The suit of the Fort Worth State Bank of Fort Worth against J. S. Boyle et al on note was heard before Judge Nicholson in the 8th district court this morning. A plea of failure of consideration on the part of George E. Davis was entered, also a plea that the note was purchased after maturity with no title of equities attending the plea and rendered judgment for the plaintiff for the full amount of the note, in interest and attorney's fees.

Charles Templeton, violinist and teacher, 1107 Broad St., opposite high school. Phone 1292. 78-61c

Wichita Falls Undertaking Co., 311 Scott avenue, phone 302. Prompt ambulance service. Command us. 181c

Suits have been filed in the 30th district court as follows: Jas. P. Monroe vs. Producers Oil Co., damages; Wichita Ice Co. vs. Geo. E. Davis, debt; Wichita Ice Co. vs. S. D. Ince, trespass to try title; W. J. Hosenfeld vs. Fort Worth and Denver City Ry Co., damages.

Ponder Furniture Co. buy, sell, exchange and repair. 715 7th St. 78-4c

Mrs. Bradley who conducts a dining hall at 820 Indiana avenue, wishes to inform her patrons and the public generally that she will leave the city tomorrow, Dec. 11th, for a two-week vacation, returning Dec. 22nd, to again take charge. During her absence Mrs. Jones will be in charge of the dining hall. 81-11c

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### SAYS CHURCH COOPERATION NECESSARY FOR RESULTS

Excessive Loyalty to Denominational Idea is Criticized by Speaker at Conference

Columbus, O., Dec. 10.—"The narrow, defensive church sectarian and denominational bully can no longer represent Christianity in this country, whatever their church affiliations. Growing cooperation among the churches will at once rid all communities of such intolerant men."

This assertion by Rev. John M. Moore of Nashville, Tenn., was vigorously applauded today at the national conference of the Commission on Church and Country Life. Rev. Moore was one of the several speakers who attacked the spirit of bitterness maintained by some churches, and who urged further federation of religious organizations. Henry Wallace, of Des Moines, agricultural editor and former member of Roosevelt's country life commission, in an address deplored the system of tenantry and urged longer leases for farms.

The conference will close tonight with an address by President Wilson. Business sessions of the executive committee of the Federal Council of the Churches, the principal speaker before the national conference, arrived in Columbus today, preparatory to delivery of his speech tonight. Soon after his arrival at the hotel, the clear cold weather greeted the president out and he walked through the business streets of Columbus, accompanied by secret service men, his physician, Secretary Tutin and about 100 citizens. He traversed about three miles before his return to his hotel.

Rev. Dr. Moore explained he did not advocate the breaking down of church denominations, but he said cooperation "is now absolutely essential to adequate religious life and service."

"Some denominations have an exaggerated opinion of their providential and predestined importance and are not inclined to co-operation of any kind," he added. "They claim to be the Lord's peculiar people—and they are. Denominational conceit seldom lends itself to the promotion of other than self-interests."

"The time has come when denominational cooperation in city and rural church life is essential to any social and religious movement. The place to begin is not in the local community, however, but in the denominational councils of those organizations directly involved."

"No minister has a moral right to preach such a sermon or express his beliefs in such a way as to give offense to persons holding different doctrines. It is denominationalism that has divided Christian people into feeble bands and made the support of competent ministers impossible. Present conditions cry out against further postponement of a great cooperative

effort by churches. I hope every county in the United States will have such church federations soon, and that the churches of each city will band together for their common cause." Rev. Dr. Moore is secretary of home missions for the Methodist Episcopal church, South.

Mr. Wallace, who is widely known as a writer and speaker on agricultural reforms, declared prosperous country churches are dependent on prosperous economic conditions, and that tenantry is one of the greatest foes to this prosperity. He advocated "an arrangement of leasing that will make the tenant a reasonably permanent citizen in the community; in other words, longer leases."

Other speakers today were Rev. E. Tallmadge Root, Boston; Dr. W. C. Clippinger, Westerville, O.; Rev. Geo. N. Lucecock, Oak Park, Ill.; and Bishop William F. Anderson, Cincinnati. Prof. Shailer Mathews of Chicago, the president of the Federal Council of Churches, was to preside tonight and introduce President Wilson.

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### Market Report

#### Fort Worth Live Stock.

By Associated Press. Fort Worth, Dec. 10.—Cattle—Receipts 1,850 head, the market unchanged; hives \$5.50 to \$6.50. Hogs—Receipts 1,200 head, the market ten to fifteen cents down; bulk \$6.45 to \$6.55. Sheep—Receipts 300 head the market steady; lambs, \$7.50 to \$8.50.

#### Chicago Grain.

By Associated Press. Chicago, Dec. 10.—Indecision largely characterized today's trading in wheat. The market was active and fluctuated frequently but wide changes either down or up were quickly checked. Huge supplies in Argentine and Australia were more or less offset by word of fresh advance in vessel rates lifting to 75¢ per bushel the cost of ocean transport from Buenos Ayres to Liverpool. The market here, after opening 1/4 off to 1/4 up with December at \$1.14 1/2 and May at \$1.16 to \$1.16 1/2, scored a moderate general advance all of which disappeared and was followed by some loss as compared with yesterday's finish. Predictions of unsettled weather strengthened corn, opening prices ranged from 1/4 and 1/4 to 1/4 and 1/4 higher and there were slight additional gains before a reaction set in. Oats developed firmness with corn.

#### New York Cotton.

By Associated Press. New York, Dec. 10.—While there appeared to be little change of opinion as

### to the probable showing of the government crop estimate the cotton market

gave evidence of more or less nervousness, during the early trading today. After a sharp break early, Liverpool rallied partly, but the market here opened barely steady at a decline of six to nine points and active months sold 13 to 16 points net lower during the early trading with January easing off to 12.40; March to 12.68 and May to 12.87. Private cables attributed the early decline abroad to straddle and hedge selling while the local market was influenced by commission house liquidation combined with some local and southern selling.

### Santa Fe President Is Highest Salaried Railroad Official

San Francisco, Dec. 10.—T. P. Ripley, president of the Santa Fe railway now is the highest salaried railroad executive in the United States, according to general reports today in business circles. Mr. Ripley's salary is said to have been increased from \$75,000 to \$100,000 a year on the occasion of his 70th birthday, celebrated by a banquet of railroad officials at Chicago, October 30. He became president of the Santa Fe January 1, 1896.

### ACTING GOVERNOR STAYS YOUNG MEXICAN'S EXECUTION

Question as to Age of Condemned Youth Causes Reprieve to Be Granted.

#### By Associated Press.

Austin, Texas, Dec. 10.—Acting Governor Hobby today granted a 30 day stay of execution to Gavinto Gonzalez, the young Mexican who was to have been hanged today at Oakville for criminal assault on a young American girl. Gov. Hobby was prompted by the doubt that exists as to the age of the Mexican. It is claimed that the Mexican was not 17 years old and the stay is granted in order that a thorough investigation may be made on this point. Mexican Consul Beltran of San Antonio, had interested himself in the case.

for the passage of an automobile or trolley. A resolution authorizing the city engineer to set back the curbing was adopted at last night's meeting of the city council.

#### BAPTISTS TO SPEND \$150,000 FOR MISSIONS

By Associated Press. Dallas, Dec. 10.—Expenditure of \$150,000 for state missions within the next year was decided upon at today's meeting here of the executive board of the Baptist General Convention for Texas. The sum is proposed as part of a \$150,000 general annual budget. The board probably will complete its work late today.

#### FORT SILL BATTERIES ORDERED TO RETURN

By Associated Press. San Antonio, Dec. 10.—Orders were issued today by Major General Fredrick Funston for the return from Brownsville to Fort Sill, Okla., of the two batteries of heavy artillery, C and D of the Fifth Field Artillery which have been on the border since September. The batteries are equipped to give more space for the passage of vehicles between the tracks and the curbing. If the curb is not set back there would not be room

The curbing at the inside of the curve of the street car tracks at Lamar and Thirteenth and Lamar, Seventeenth streets where the street car tracks turn is to be set back so as to give more space for the passage of vehicles between the tracks and the curbing. If the curb is not set back there would not be room

Personals

W. W. Walling is here from Hillsboro.

N. Henderson has gone to Florida on business.

W. S. Lambert of Clinton, Okla., arrived last night.

A. L. House of Cleburne is the guest of G. W. Filgo and family.

Mrs. T. W. Parker of Iowa Park, was a visitor here today.

C. J. Vanmeter of Avondale is here to take treatment from a specialist.

W. B. Beach, a prominent citizen of Odell, Wilbarger county, is here today.

Henry Sayles Jr., of Abilene, is here looking after some of his father's interests here.

Mrs. S. R. Filgo and son, Sam, of Nashville, Tenn., are the guests of G. W. Filgo and family.

Katz orchestra left this afternoon for Quanah where they will play at an Elks dance tonight.

R. E. Reed and T. S. Young of Oklahoma City, arrived last night to spend some time here.

W. J. Hall of Corsicana is here prospecting with a view of opening a machine shop in one of the oil fields in this section.

Rev. Charles Mercer Hall of Ashville, N. C., arrived this afternoon and will speak at services at the Church of the Good Shepherd tonight.

A. C. Spannagel, formerly manager of a mineral well here who is now farming in Oklahoma, was in the city today.

Mrs. Maggie Hitchcock of El Paso who has been the guest of Mrs. T. J. Leitcham left today for Palmira, Mo. and Quincy, Ill.

Chester Powell came up from Archer City yesterday. He has taken a position here and will make Wichita Falls his home.

Dr. W. H. Felder has returned from a hunting trip in Kimbel county, where he and Edison Jalomeck of Dallas shot wild turkey, wild cats and other game.

B. V. Magee of Electra, who has been in a hospital here for several weeks was discharged today and returned to his home at Electra. Mrs. Magee came down to accompany him home.

Judge A. W. Hope of St. Louis is here looking after his 1200 acre farm four miles west of town in the Big Wichita Valley. Judge Hope is planning to build a bungalow on his farm and expects to live here most of his time.

District Agent Ganzer of the U. S. department of agriculture stopped off here today while en route to Gottle county. He will confer with County Agent J. W. Campbell and plans to leave tomorrow for Paducah.

County Commissioner McCleskey drove down from Iowa Park this morning. His daughter, Mrs. Harley Friberg and little son who have been visiting at Iowa Park, came down with him.

Rev. J. Sam Barcus of Bonham, the new presiding elder in the Wichita Falls district arrived this afternoon to spend several days arranging for the removal of his headquarters here.

Mrs. J. T. Montgomery left this afternoon for Kansas City, where she will visit with relatives. Her son, Allan, who is a student at the University of Wisconsin will meet her there and will return with her to spend the Christmas vacation at home.

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The heart interest in the two reel drama is of the most compelling kind, the saving of the warden's child, by a convict, being one of the chief incidents.

The Gem. Two comedy reels, a Lubin drama "The Lonely Fisherman" and the third installment of "Neal of the Navy" make up the bill for today

at the Gem. A short synopsis of "Neal of the Navy" is given. Mrs. March, Neal Hardin, Annette Hington and Joe Welcher are rescued by U. S. cruiser when the steamer Princess goes down.

After the test Joe slips the stolen exam papers into Neal's pocket, where they are found. Neal starts for New York to enlist in the U. S. Navy. That night in an attempt to secure the Yellow Packet, Joe sets the house afire.

The Lydia Margaret. Max Fignun and Lois Meredith are featured in the Metro comedy drama, "My Best Girl" today's feature at the Lydia Margaret.

Dick Vanderfelt, scion of a wealthy family, is a student at the Stamford University. Deeply in love with Dora, daughter of a chemist, he advances large sums of money to her father in order that he can carry out experiments on a new and highly destructive explosive powder.

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EMPLOYERS LIABILITY ACT PROVES EFFECTIVE

By Associated Press. Austin, Texas, Dec. 10.—That the Employers' Liability Act of Texas is proving effective in the protection of industrial workers is shown by the fact that during the first three months of the present fiscal year—September, October and November—\$116,952 was paid in workmen's compensation insurance by insurance companies writing that class of insurance, according to official figures just made available.

CASES OF THOSE ARRESTED HERE SET FOR MARCH TERM

Men Taken into Custody in Raid Wednesday Will Be Tried Later

The parties arrested here Wednesday in the raid by United States officers will be tried before the federal court at Fort Worth in March.

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CHRISTMAS OBSERVANCE AT THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Christmas exercises in the Sunday school of the First Christian Church will take the form of a Christmas tree on the evening of Friday, December 24 and on Sunday evening following. Christmas there will be a special musical program at the church, with a cantata by the young people.

Central Presbyterian Church

Sunday school at 9:30, A. F. Kerr, superintendent. Preaching at 11 a. m., by the pastor. Preaching at 7:30 p. m. by the pastor. Prayer service Wednesday evening at 7:30. You are invited to attend the services and will find a hearty welcome awaiting you. Make your church home with us. FRED L. McFADDEN, Pastor.

Christian Church

Bible school at 9:30. Juniors at 3. Intermediate 6:50. Christian Endeavor at 8:30 in basement. Morning sermon at 10:40. This will be a special service and Mr. T. P. Eastland of Dallas, the state president of the Gideons will speak. This is the Christian Commercial Traveling Men's Association. We want them present and we want the citizens to hear of their work. Come and hear this address. Evening sermon by the pastor upon the topic, "Frodoan Paths of Men." This will be of interest to thinking men and women; come at 7:30. The fourth chapter of Revelations will be discussed at the Wednesday evening prayer service at 7:30. F. F. WALTERS, Pastor.

Lutheran Church (Mo. Synod)

Sunday school (German and English classes) at 9 a. m. Bible class at 9:45 a. m. German morning worship at 10:30 a. m. English services at 2:30 p. m., as the pastor shall not go to Gainesville, as previously announced.

Christian Science

Services are held in the church edifice, corner of Ninth and Lamar as follows: Subject, "God the Preserver of Man." Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. The reading room at the same address is open daily except Sunday and legal holidays from 2 to 5 p. m. The public is cordially invited to attend the services and visit the reading room.

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First Presbyterian Church

Rev. C. B. Newsom, A. M. B. D., of Trinity University, Wabasha, will preach Sunday morning and evening at usual hours. The pastor will be absent for two Sundays in a special meeting at Derby Kan. Women's Missionary Society meets at 3 Monday afternoon. The Helen Beavers Chapter of the Westminister Guild will meet in social session Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the residence of Mrs. C. F. Heasley, 1108 Taylor street.

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ROTARIANS ARRANGE TO GET INTERNATIONAL CHARTER

Hold Business Meeting Thursday Night—O. T. Bacon Speaks on Good Roads

Steps for the adoption of a constitution and by-laws, as the final preliminary to obtaining the international Rotary charter, were taken Thursday night at a business meeting of the Rotary Club at the Chamber of Commerce.

The constitution and by-laws of the Fort Worth club, with some changes occasioned by local conditions, will be adopted, a committee consisting of Messrs. Robb, Bullington and Stevens being named to prepare the draft. The formal application for the charter will be sent in before December 15.

Among the provisions of the constitution is one providing that when a member is absent from four consecutive weekly meetings, his name is dropped from the club roster.

The question of changing the weekly meeting hour from Wednesday noon to Thursday evening was discussed but was not favored.

O. T. Bacon addressed the Rotarians on the need of good roads, urging that when the time comes all members will give their support to plans for improved highways.

J. M. Bland vice president of the club, presided in the absence of President Keith, who could not be present.

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## Approach of Holiday Season is Reflected in Early Winter Styles

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The Shopper's Costume. If one has time to tarry a moment or two at the main entrance of one of the big shops on one of these busy afternoons, they will have a revela-

tion in clothes. Serge rules in the matter of suits and simple frocks; furs are much in evidence and never have we had a season when they were so becoming and so much within the reach of all pocketbooks.

There are wide soft collars and cuffs; small round muffs, and any number of other accessories which may be made at home if desired, and added to the suit of serge to enhance its charm and style. Scarcely a suit or frock passing in and out on its Christmas mission, but shows this touch of fur; braid, too, is having its day on tunic and coat; one cannot but remark the wonderful variety in collars and sleeves. The majority of the suits show the high collar, and many of the dresses, too, although one often glimpses beneath top coat and suit coat, a dainty, sheer blouse of crepe de chine or crepe Georgette with open throat, dainty in its softness. The flare is the thing on collars, cuffs, tunics, coat edges and skirt hems. On many of the rippling coats and skirts, tape holds the ripples gracefully in place; this tape is arranged around the lower edge of the lining and is in the same color; oftentimes too a narrow taffeta or picot edged ribbon is used instead of tape.

In the Way of Sleeves. There is the leg o' mutton, the gauntlet sleeve in many variations, the bell sleeve, the angel sleeve and the sleeve gathered at armhole and wrist. It is quite a novelty, the sleeve gathered into the armhole; and it is true to its old time in-

spiration, even to the slight puff at the shoulder. One of the most graceful sleeves of all is the gauntlet with wide tight fitting cuff, flaring slightly over the hand. The ugliest hand in the world must gain in grace with such a cuff. The full gathered sleeves are particularly graceful and pretty in the transparent fabrics now so much favored for sleeves in all sorts of frocks. The serge coat dress is a general favorite for shopping and street wear. A particularly chic model is made with long, pointed tunic, gauntlet sleeves, high collar and a novel surplice closing. Blue serge trimmed with small braid covered buttons and loops and a wide band of Hercules braid edging the tunic is the most attractive combination.

The Charm of Hip Draperies. We have always admired the grace and delightfully feminine note in the puffed and panberled figures of Watteau and our own Colonial days; these have returned in the smart hip draperies, panniers and hoops of recent introduction. A soft satin, in dark tone, draped gracefully over the hips with wide loops suggestive of pockets, was trimmed with a bright, contrasting brocade very effectively; the costume was worn at



but all nature, takes part. Thus when the sparrows flutter about, chirruping; when the cattle show nervous restlessness and the forest gives forth unusual sounds; when the cock crows all day long, the ducks tread the ground with their wings, and the frogs croak incessantly; when the mist rises, the sun sets in a cloud, and your ears itch, there surely will be rain. When on the other hand, the sparrows take a bath in the dust, when the storks stand quietly in the field, the lambs gambol gaily, and the cat, after washing her face, looks at the door there will be fine weather. But when the sparrows are hurrying about looking for shelter, when the lark lashes against the windows; when the cattle bellow, looking up into the air, and the pig goes about with a straw in his snout, then a storm is threatening.

A recent charity bazaar for a Christmas fund and received considerable attention because of its simplicity and good style. How About the Petticoat. Has the petticoat returned in all its old time fluffiness and rustle, to add to the bouffancy and charm to the full skirt, or have the dainty pantallettes, introduced quietly and cautiously at the beginning of the season, entirely usurped its place in the hearts of well dressed women? One must admit that the soft, frilly pantallette, or trouser petticoat, is delightfully practical as well as fascinating. The full skirt may billow and blow in the wind to its heart's content with no affront to modesty. These pantallette petticoats when worn with the tailored skirt or frock are usually in the same tone as the costume, trimmed with self ribbon corded, fringed or pleated. For evening wear of course they are sheer, of chiffon cloth, crepe or net, lace trimmed and frilly.

## Roumenias Prospective Entry in War Is Thrifty And Picturesque Nation

Washington, Dec. 6.—"Roumania continually in the public eye as a possible factor in the world war, whose resources both in men and materials give this little nation a military importance out of proportion to its size and fame, is described in a study, 'Roumania, the Pivotal State,' prepared by James Howard Gore for the National Geographic Society. The bulletin describing the strength and organization of Roumania reads as follows:

"The Roumanian lands—composed of the two principalities, Moldavia and Wallachia—first found freedom from the Turk in the treaty of Paris, signed in 1856. They were united in government almost from the start, and under the rule of their second Prince, Charles of Hohenzollern a vigorous spirit of nationalism was instilled into all classes, and after the defeat of the Turks at Plevna by their soldiers, the little principality was recognized as a kingdom. The present king is a nephew of Prince Charles and he rules over a land of 53,485 square miles, or one slightly greater than England and Wales and only a little less than Massachusetts and New York combined. Within this territory there were, according to the last census, 7,508,000 inhabitants, giving a density of population slightly greater than that of Maryland.

"The fields of Roumania are very fertile and many conquerors have quarreled over the division of its soil. Its system of land ownership is complicated, but in general, it may be said that out of 33,000,000 acres of arable land the small farmers have a little more than one-third, while the large proprietors have 12,

000,000 and the State 6,000,000. The lands owned by the State, known as Crown domains and consisting of 12 estates, exercise great influence as model establishments. In all departments, conservation of natural resources is taught by precept and example, and forestry which was a hobby of the late king, found a quick response from the peasants who affectionately called the oak their brother and the elm their cousin. Lumber, in various forms, ranks fourth in the list of Roumania's exports.

"Progress has been steady and rapid in Roumania and one may find villages of peasant farmers that can not be surpassed for comfort. It is essentially an agricultural state, and the rich soil insures a good return for the peasants' labor. It is said that there are estates which, although long under cultivation without a single manuring, continue to yield 25 bushels of wheat while other tracts more scientifically handled, produce as much as 36 bushels to the acre. It is because of this fertility that the Danubian States rank with Russia, Argentina and the United States as the chief wheat growing countries on the globe.

"Crop failures occasion general distress as 86 per cent of the population depend upon agriculture; and Roumania will continue to be subject to economic depressions as long as she remains exclusively dependent upon the wealth of her harvests. Indian corn is one of the staples of her peasants' tables.

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The lights were ordered installed on the theory that the more light there was in the district the less trouble there would be. The red signal lights for the police department are also to be installed in the district.

## OKLAHOMA GOOD ROADS ASSOCIATION AT TULSA

Tulsa, Okla., Dec. 10.—The Oklahoma Good Roads Association was to begin a two days meeting in Tulsa today. A large attendance was expected and efforts were to be made to improve immediately all Oklahoma roads. Resolutions were to be presented to the sessions asking for amendments to the present highway law, which it is stated, have been found deficient in a number of respects.

## NORTH TEXAS TEACHERS ASSOCIATION MEETS

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