

NEW NOTE ON ANCONA SINKING WILL BE DISPATCHED TO AUSTRIA

WILL REITERATE DEMANDS MADE IN U. S. FIRST NOTE

DRAFT OF NEW NOTE COMPLETED BY PRESIDENT SATURDAY AND DELIVERED TO SECRETARY LANSING LAST NIGHT.

AUSTRIAN CHARGE IS CALLED

Baron Zwiedinek Confers With Secretary Lansing—New U. S. Note Will Give Austria Sufficient Information About the Sinking of the Ancona.

By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., Dec. 18.—President Wilson late today completed the first draft of the new note to Austria Hungary reiterating the American demand regarding the sinking of the Italian steamship Ancona.

The first draft was completed after Secretary Lansing had sent the president a memorandum containing all the state department's information on the Ancona incident.

It was authoritatively stated tonight that the charge strongly intimated to Mr. Lansing that the second note be couched in less vigorous terms and leave the Vienna foreign office some opportunity, the reply must be wholly satisfactory to the United States.

A satisfactory reply would have to contain a disavowal, assurances of reparation for payment for indemnity of the American killed and injured in the disaster and some acceptable statement concerning punishment of the commander of the submarine.

The United States, it was said, will reiterate in the new note that such a position is opposed to all rules of recognized international law. The note undoubtedly will demand that the government and legal arguments and precedents to discredit it will be presented.

The note will convey to Austria-Hungary all the information the government thinks necessary according to the opinion expressed tonight by officials. They declared, however, that they would not enter into an extended discussion of details. The document was represented as being a long one.

QUOTES STATEMENT

After giving some of the facts which Austria-Hungary desires, it again will call particular attention to the statement issued by the Austro-Hungarian admiralty, and will, it is said, virtually state that the principal complaint is based upon the statements in that document. It is admitted in his statement that the Ancona was torpedoed by the submarine while some persons still were aboard.

The note will not, it was authoritatively stated, limit which Austria Hungary might comply with the demands, but will make it clear that the final word of this government has been spoken and that Austria Hungary must decide promptly by its actions whether diplomatic relations shall be severed.

NOT SO VIGOROUS.

While firm in tone, the communication will not, it is believed, be quite as vigorous as the first note. The United States was represented by officials as desiring to continue its pleasant relations with Austria Hungary if possible. However, this government will not recede in any way from its demands nor will it permit any such apparent procrastination as the Vienna government exhibited in replying to the inquiry for details soon after the Ancona went down.

That the United States will "precisely satisfy the actual complaint upon which it bases its case" as requested in the reply, was believed in official circles to be practically assured. It was said the opinion was expressed that Austria Hungary was entitled to such specifications if she desired it.

President Wilson spent several hours today at work on the note. Should questions in it arise before it is cabled to Washington, Secretary Lansing will communicate with the president at Hot Springs, and if necessary may go there to confer with the president.

The cabinet, having discussed the second note in a general way at its meeting yesterday, will not, it was said tonight, have another opportunity to inspect it before it is dispatched.

Text Of Austria's Reply To First Ancona Note

The full text of Austria's reply to the American note on the sinking of the Italian liner Ancona, as made public today by the state department follows:

American Embassy, Vienna, Dec. 5, 1915. Secretary of State, Washington: Following note received from minister of foreign affairs at noon today: "In reply to the much esteemed note No. 4167 which his excellency Mr. Frederick Courland Penfield, American ambassador extraordinary and plenipotentiary of the United States of America, directed to him in the name of the American government, under date of the ninth instant, in the matter of the sinking of the Italian steamer Ancona, the undersigned, preliminary to a thorough meritorious treatment of the demands, has the honor to observe that the sharpness with which the government of the United States considers it necessary to blame the commanding officer of the submarine concerned in the affair and the firmness in which the demand addressed to the imperial and royal government, appear to be expressed, might well have warranted the expectation that the government of the United States should precisely specify the actual circumstances of the affair upon which it bases its case."

"As it is not difficult to perceive, the representation of the facts in the case in the aforesaid note, leaves room for many doubts, and even if this presentation were correct in all points and the most rigorous legal conception were applied to the judgment of the case, it does not in any sufficiently warrant attaching blame to the commanding officer of the war vessel, or to the imperial and royal government. The government of the United States has also failed to designate the persons upon whose testimony it relies and to whom it apparently believed it may attribute a higher degree of credibility than to the commander of the imperial and royal fleet. The note also fails to give any information whatsoever as to the number, names and more precise fate of the American citizens who were on board of the said steamer at the critical moment."

"However, in view of the fact that the Washington cabinet has now made a positive statement of the admission of the citizens of the United States of America to grief in the incident in question, the imperial and royal government is, in principle, ready to enter into an exchange of views in the affair, with the government of the United States. "It must, however, in the first place, raise the question why that government failed to give jurisdictional reasons for the demands set forth in its note with reference to the special circumstance of the incriminating events upon which it itself lays stress and why, in lieu thereof, it referred to an exchange of correspondence which it has conducted with another government in other cases. "The imperial and royal government is the less able to follow the Washington cabinet on this unusual path, since it by no means possesses authentic knowledge of all the pertinent correspondence of the government of the United States nor is it of the opinion that such knowledge might be sufficient for it in the present case, which, insofar as it is informed, is in essential points of another nature than the case or cases to which the government of the United States seems to allude. "The imperial and royal government may, therefore, leave it to the Washington cabinet to formulate the particular points of law against which the commanding officer of the submarine is alleged to have offended on the occasion of the sinking of the Ancona. "The government of the United States has also seen fit to refer to the attitude which the Berlin cabinet assumed in the above mentioned correspondence. The imperial and royal government finds in the much esteemed note no indication whatever of the intent which said reference was made. Should, however, the government of the United States thereby intended to express an opinion to the effect that a prejudice of whatever nature existed for the imperial and royal government with respect to the jurisdictional consideration of the affair in question, this government must, in order to preclude possible misunderstandings, declare that as a matter of course, it reserves to itself full freedom of maintaining its own legal views in the mission of the case of the Ancona. "In giving the honor to make reference to the kindness of his excellency, the ambassador of the United States of America, with the most respectful request to be good enough to communicate the foregoing to the American government and on this occasion to state that the imperial and royal government in no less degree than the American government and under all circumstances most sincerely deplora the fate of the innocent victims of the incident in question. The undersigned at the same time avails himself of this opportunity to renew the expressions of his most distinguished consideration for his excellency, the ambassador. (Signed) "BURIAN."

EMERGENCY REVENUE TAX EXTENDED ANOTHER YEAR

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 18.—The capitol, for the past two weeks the scene of congressional activity, today virtually was deserted. Today most of the members of Congress, following adjournment last night for Congress, were homeward bound, not to return until the reopening of the national legislature on January 4. One of the final acts was the passage by the Senate of the House joint resolution extending the emergency revenue law until December 31, 1916. President Wilson shortly afterward signed the measure.

17 YEAR OLD GIRL IS MURDERED AT PARIS, TEXAS

By Associated Press. Paris, Texas, December 18.—After having worked on the case since early today officers here are practicing certain Miss Pauline Walton, seventeen year old girl found dead in bed at five o'clock this morning with her throat cut from ear to ear was murdered. However, they have withheld from the public several clues said to have developed during the day. The parents of the girl are certain murder was committed but have no theories to offer. No arrests have been made and no one has been detained.

STANDARD ADVANCES THE PRICE OF EXPORT OILS.

By Associated Press. New York, Dec. 18.—The Standard Oil company of New York today announced an advance of one cent a gallon on all grades for export.

BOUND RATES TO TEXAS POINTS NOT CONSIDERED

One of Final Acts of Senate Before Holiday Adjournment Was Extension of Law.

By Associated Press. Houston, Texas, Dec. 18.—The question of inbound rates to Texas points in their relation to the inbound rates to Shreveport from the same sections will not be allowed to have a bearing on the present Shreveport rate case now being heard before Commissioner Henry C. Hall of the Interstate Commerce Commission. Mr. Hall ruled that the question of inbound rates had been disposed of by the ruling of the supreme court of the United States in the original Shreveport case and that the hearing now before the commission must deal only with the alleged discriminatory features between Shreveport and certain Texas points.

GERMANS LOSE CRUISER AND A TORPEDO BOAT

Official Announcement Made of Sinking of Cruiser Bremen and Accompanying Craft.

11 YEAR OLD BOY ACCIDENTALLY KILLS HIMSELF

By Associated Press. Dallas, Texas, Dec. 18.—Chester Thompson, eleven year old son of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Thompson was instantly killed at his home here early today when a revolver he was handling was accidentally discharged. The bullet entered the right eye.

KOENIG MAY BE HEAD SPY IN AMERICA

FEDERAL OFFICIALS ASSERT THEY HAVE CLUES COUNTRY-WIDE PLOTS AGAINST MUNITIONS PLANTS.

OTHERS INVOLVED

One of Those Arrested for Canal Plot Offers to Turn State's Evidence—Big German Steamship Company Goes on Bonds of Two Accused.

By Associated Press. New York, December 18.—With the arraignment here today of Paul Koenig said to be the head of the German secret service in this country, and Richard Emil Leyendecker, a New York art goods dealer, on a charge of conspiracy to blow up the Welland Canal, federal officers asserted they had in their hands two clues to a country wide conspiracy to blow up munitions plants, which has already resulted in the loss of many lives and destruction of millions of dollars worth of property. For several years Koenig has been the head of the detective force employed here by the Hamburg American steamship company. The company, which is subsidized by the German government, was quick to come to his aid through a local surety concern, supplied \$50,000 bail for him. Turns State's Evidence. Important evidence regarding Koenig's activities is understood to have been obtained from Frederick Metzler who was arrested in connection with Koenig and Leyendecker. Metzler also was employed by the Hamburg American line and acted as stenographer to Koenig. He was to have been arraigned with his chief and Leyendecker but at the last moment it was announced by assistant United States attorney Wood who is in charge of the case that Metzler would not appear. Later a high federal official admitted that Metzler has offered to turn state's evidence and had already supplied the government with much valuable information.

As soon as it was known that Metzler would not be arraigned, two attorneys acting for the Hamburg American line went to the federal authorities and asked permission to see him. This request was refused. The attorneys then offered any amount of bail to secure Metzler's liberty; this was also refused. Metzler who had been examined at police headquarters during the night was taken away early today and on information would be vouchsafed as to where he was being held.

Fuchs Was A Come-On. Another man held by the federal authorities as a material witness against Koenig was George Fuchs, about whose identity the utmost secrecy was observed. Fuchs was taken into custody but was not formally arrested and no charges were made against him. It was reported at the federal building today that he was in reality a secret service agent and that it was largely through his efforts that the alleged plot was uncovered.

The new developments occurred in the case today when Otto Motzle, a police headquarters detective was suspended after a hearing by Commissioner Woods. Motzle was summoned before the commissioner after the police said they found his name in a note book taken from Koenig. According to statements attributed to Koenig and Metzler, Motzle was employed by the former at three dollars a day to make investigations. The arrests yesterday and today appear to be merely the forerunners of numerous other arrests throughout the country. Secret service agents assert Koenig had 27 agents in New York city alone and probably between 300 and 400 scattered over the country. The evidence against Koenig and Leyendecker will be laid before a special grand jury which will be summoned next week. In the meantime a hearing is to be set before United States Commissioner Houghton, for January 12.

GERMANS LOSE CRUISER AND A TORPEDO BOAT

Official Announcement Made of Sinking of Cruiser Bremen and Accompanying Craft.

By Associated Press. Amsterdam, via London, Dec. 19.—It has been officially announced in Berlin that the small German cruiser Bremen and a torpedo boat accompanying her have been sunk by a submarine in the eastern Baltic sea. The announcement stated that a considerable portion of the crews of both vessels were saved.

UNCONDITIONAL SURRENDER IS DEMANDED

By Associated Press. Laredo, Texas, December 18.—The unconditional surrender of the Villa garrison at Chihuahua city was demanded today by the Carranza General Trevinto whose forces have made considerable progress since their victory at Santa Rosalia yesterday, according to military advices at Nuevo Laredo. The Villa soldiers were reported to offer determined resistance. While the number of the organization is not known, previous reports have indicated that Chihuahua City was feebly garrisoned. It was believed in Nuevo Laredo that the decisive battle of the campaign would be fought by these soldiers. Villa was said to be hastening reinforcements from the north. If General Trevinto is successfully winning the Chihuahua City garrison his brief campaign will have been one of the most spectacular of the revolution. Armed with forces reported to number less than 25,000 Trevinto started his campaign at Escalon about a week ago. Battles of extraordinary fierceness were fought at San Juan del Rio and Santa Rosalia. The latter place is less than 40 miles from Chihuahua City. While the military reports do not state the position of General Trevinto his location is taken to be near enough to the capital of one of the two remaining states partially in Villa control to make demands which could be momentarily followed by attacks.

GEN. VILLA GIVES UP STRUGGLE

By Associated Press. El Paso, Tex., Dec. 18.—General Francisco Villa has given up as hopeless his struggle against the de facto government in Mexico according to authoritative advices today from Chihuahua. The followers who still remain faithful to the man once all powerful in northern Mexico have been warned to "take care of themselves" and are said to be scattering in all directions. Many, it is said, are preparing to make peace with the Carranza government. Villa in addressing the council of war in which his determination to abandon the struggle was made public is said to have declared he would no longer sacrifice men needlessly. He is said to have been urged to abandon the revolutionary movement by his staff and advisers and also by his wife. Just what the plans of the insurgent leader are has not been made clear though he is said to have declared he would come to the United States, if permitted, and if not permitted he would go to Europe. The Carranza forces under General Trevino already are demanding the surrender of Chihuahua but few persons familiar with the country question General Villa's ability to escape capture in that section where he knows every hill and water-hole and where he has many friends. In fact, it was but five years ago that he remained over that section as a bandit with a price placed on his head by General Porfirio Diaz. His real name is Doroteo Orozco and he was born in Las Nieves Durango in 1868. His parents were of the poor class and on the death of the father he became a cowboy in western Chihuahua. His personality and traits of leadership even then were apparent for he soon attracted a number of desperado men to him, changed his name to Francisco Villa and lived as a bandit and subsisted by pillaging and raiding the ranches of the big land owners in Chihuahua. Many stories are told of the reason Villa became a bandit, the most widely circulated being to the effect that he was outlawed for the killing of an army officer who had wronged his sister. When Francisco Madero took the field against Diaz, Villa voluntarily cast his lot with the Maderistas and performed such valiant services that Madero was forced to recognize the young leader. After the retirement of Diaz, Huerta, a commander of the army under Madero, was sent to the north to put down the Orozco rebellion. He and Villa clashed and Villa was taken to Mexico City under arrest in insubordination. While in prison there he taught himself to read and write. Villa loved fighting for his own sake and his methods of strategy based largely on the guerrilla warfare of his bandit days brought him success in a dozen battles. He was given the benefit of the advice of General Felipe Angeles, regarded as the most expert technical soldier in Mexico who acted as Villa's chief of artillery but it was Villa's ability to lead his soldiers into tight corners and extricate them successfully that brought Angeles' plans to successful conclusions. Villa was a hero to his heroes, and they sang dozens of songs about his bravery and sternness as a disciplinarian. Animosely arose early in 1914 between General Carranza, the first chief of the constitutionalist army, and General Villa. Peace was patched up between them several times but each time the trouble broke out afresh. Villa declined to enter Mexico City when Carranza took possession in August 1914. The final break came at the time of the Aguas Calientes convention, called to outline the policies of the constitutionalists. Zaptha joined forces and took possession of Mexico City for a time forcing Carranza to withdraw to Vera Cruz. Up to that time Villa had never suffered a defeat but shortly afterward he was opposed by the other military genius of Mexico, General Alvaro Obregon. Obregon's forces won a decided victory and Villa retired to the scene of his early triumphs at Torreon. There he mobilized the forces left to him but was forced to retire again into Sonora. His last real battle was fought at Agua Prieta, across the border from Douglas. Marching overland, Villa imagined his forces exceeded those of the garrison. It was not until he approached the town that he discovered the United States had permitted the transfer of large reinforcements through American territory. Villa was beaten off hand from that time on, his men, including the higher officers, deserted him rapidly.

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MAKES PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

Reported That Mexican Leader Will Seek Asylum in the United States or Europe.

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VILLA STILL HOLDING THIRTY AMERICANS.

By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., Dec. 18.—Railway communication between Tampico and San Luis Potosi, in Mexico, has been reestablished after a long interruption according to today's advices to the state department. Operation of train is irregular, however, because of bandit activities. General Villa is still holding thirty Americans he took from Madera to Chihuahua, the advices said, despite efforts of state department agents to obtain their release.

NO CONFIRMATION OF THE REPORT ABOUT VILLA.

By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., Dec. 18.—The state department tonight had received from its agents in Mexico no confirmation of the report that General Villa had decided to abandon his campaign against Carranza. Department advices on the other hand, indicated that Villa had planned a movement south of Chihuahua against General Obregon.

CENTRAL POWERS TO ASK GUARANTEES OF GREECE

Will Demand That Greece See That Allies Undertake no Further Offensive Operations

By Associated Press. Bern, Switzerland, Dec. 17, via Paris, Dec. 18.—The military critic of the Bund says he has reason to believe the central powers have decided to ask Greece to furnish guarantees that the allied forces on Greek territory will undertake no further offensive operations. Greece he says, will not be called upon to bring about the removal of the forces from Saloniki, but will be expected to see to it that they are restricted to the inside camp here. Failing these guarantees, the critic adds, the central powers will institute operations against Saloniki.

PRISONERS MUST PAY TAXI FARES AT CORPUS CHRISTI

By Associated Press. Corpus Christi, Texas, Dec. 18.—A city ordinance providing that prisoners taken in the city jail in the police automobile must pay a fare of 50 cents each and 50 cents each for accompanying officers became effective here today. The entire account charged against a prisoner will be added to costs if convicted. It is estimated collection of the fares will cover the cost of tires and gasoline of the police car.

PRESIDENT IS MARRIED TO MRS GALT

CEREMONY TOOK PLACE AT THE HOME OF THE BRIDE AT 3:30 LAST NIGHT—WEDDING DEVOID OF OSTENTATION.

GO TO HOT SPRINGS

Couple Leave on Special Train for Hot Springs, Virginia—Wedding Hour Kept Closely Guarded—Many Secret Service Men on Duty

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 18.—President Wilson and Mrs. Edith Bolling Galt were married at 8:30 o'clock tonight and left afterward to spend their honeymoon at Hot Springs, Virginia. The president and his bride traveled in a private car attached to a special train leaving here at 11:10 o'clock today to arrive in Hot Springs at 8:15 a. m. The president dined as usual at the White House at 7 o'clock with his daughters and afterwards drove to the bride's home about a mile from the executive mansion. A cold driving rain which swept the city all day cleared off at sunset and the evening was cool and pleasant. Because the wedding arrangements and the hour of the ceremony had been kept a close secret there were few on the streets about the White House, but near the bride's home the crowd was held back by police lines spread during the afternoon. No Attendants or Ushers. Everything was in readiness for the ceremony when the president arrived and it proceeded without music. Neither the president nor Mrs. Galt had any attendants and there were no ushers or flower girls. Neither the army, the navy nor the diplomatic corps were represented and the occasion was essentially what both had wished it to be—a home wedding.

On the first floor of the bride's home in two communicating rooms, a wedding tower had been arranged with a background of ferns which extended from the floor to the ceiling. Overhead there was a canopy of green in the form of a shell lined with Scotch heather. In the background at the center was placed a large mirror frame with orchids across a background of ferns and the corners of the canopy caught with orchids. American beauty roses were on both sides of the canopy under which a prayer rug on which the president and his bride knelt before the ceremony. Two Pastors Participate. Just at the hour set for the ceremony the president and his bride appeared at the head of the stairs, which was decorated with ferns, asparagus vines and American beauty roses. They descended to the lower floor where the guests were grouped informally. The Rev. Herbert Scott Smith, rector of St. Margaret's Protestant Episcopal Church of which the bride is a communicant, was waiting beneath the canopy to form the ceremony and with him to assist was the president's pastor, Rev. James H. Taylor of the Central Presbyterian Church. Mrs. William H. Bolling, the bride's mother gave her away. The president stood to the right of the clergyman and the bride stood on their left. At once Dr. Smith began the words of the Episcopal marriage service, the president making his response first and then the bride making hers. After the bride promised to "love, cherish and obey" the president placed the wedding ring, a plain band of gold and then after a prayer the couple placed their right hands together and Dr. Smith pronounced them man and wife. The entire party then repaired to the dining room where a buffet supper was served. The tables were decorated with Lady Stanley rose blossoms. On a table in the center was wedding cake—a fruit cake several layers high—ornamented with sprays of pink orchids in the center. Mrs. Wilson cut the cake without formality and no arrangement was made for bestowing bits of it on other than those in the ceremony. Bride Wore Travelling Dress. During the ceremony and at the luncheon afterward, during which a strong orchestra played, the bride wore her travelling dress, a black silk and velvet gown with a picture hat of black beaver with no trimming whatever except one feather. At her throat she wore the president's gift, a magnificent diamond brooch. A bracelet of Brazilian tourmalines and an ornament of tropical birds feathers came from South America. From Belgian children came pillows, pieces of lace, engrossed parchments and other articles, including embroideries, all inscribed with cards showing gratitude for the president's sympathy for the sufferers of the war in Europe. Gifts came also from the pupils of the Benedictine Sons' school at Lieke, the children of the Liege school of Veronica, the town near a jewelled case, inscribed "homage and gratitude of Spa."

In view of the desire of the president and Mrs. Wilson that as little publicity attend the wedding names

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Teachers Hear Addresses By Prominent Educators

With 120 Wichita county teachers in attendance, the annual institute began Saturday morning at the high school. The program for the first day was carried out practically as planned and the organization started off briskly on the five days of work.

The day's principal speakers were Dr. R. B. Cousins, of Canyon, president of the West Texas normal; Dr. H. A. Boaz of Fort Worth; R. J. Turpin, representing the state department of education, and Miss Jessie Mae Agnew, supervisor of music in the Wichita Falls public schools. The formal address of welcome was delivered by Prof. J. B. Jones, principal of the high school.

Numerous features await the teachers during the remaining four days in addition to the technical discussions which will constitute the routine work. Tomorrow the principal speakers will be Dr. H. T. Muselman of Dallas, editor of the Texas School Journal, and Dr. Rubinow of A. & M. College. Dr. Rubinow will speak in the morning on the teaching of agriculture in the public schools and in the afternoon will give a demonstration on the grading of cows, at the high school.

Dr. S. P. Brooks, of Waco, president of Baylor University, will address the teachers Wednesday. The institute will continue through Thursday.

VILLISTAS THREATEN ATTACK ON EL PASO

VILLA OFFICIALS INDIGNANT OVER U. S. PERMITTING CARRANZAS TO PASS

APPREHENSION AT JUAREZ

Villa Garrison There Placed in Ready-ness for Attack From Troops Passing Through Texas

By Associated Press. El Paso, Texas, Dec. 18.—Reports of plans for transporting Carranza troops secretly through the United States to points adjacent to this city to be used in the proposed campaign for crushing Villa opposition in northern Mexico have stirred apprehension in Juarez and in the Mexican colony here. Gen. Ochoa, in command of the garrison, ordered all soldiers under the rank of major to be in their quarters at ten o'clock this morning.

The first indication of the movement of the Carranza troops for an invasion of Chihuahua was the arrival on December 15 of a train of ten cars of troops and equipment, from Eagle Pass, Texas, routed to Nogales, Sonora in bond. The Carranza consulates professed surprise at the shipment. The train was delayed here from noon until late at night, while officers in command were endeavoring to locate General Obregon at Hermosillo to secure orders as to destination. On its arrival at Nogales, private advices stated the train had been sent there by mistake instead of to Marfa, Texas, for an invasion of Ojinaga, Chihuahua, 200 miles east of here.

Later it was discovered the Carranza consul here had asked rates for transportation of troops from Nogales to Fabens and Fort Hancock, Texas, border points east of here. The consul denied he had asked rates, but later a telegram was produced from military authorities at Fort Hancock, asking information as to a reported invasion of Chihuahua there.

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CHICAGO'S MAYOR SAYS POLICE DEPT IS ROTTEN

Police in League With Grafters, Criminals, Holdup Men and Even Murderers

By Associated Press. Chicago, Dec. 18.—Aroused by a recent wave of crime which has resulted in murders, robberies and holdups lately, Mayor Thompson today charged the police department with shielding criminals and grafters.

"I know the police department is absolutely rotten," said the mayor. "It is combined with the grafters, the criminals, holdup men, murderers and pick pockets known to the police are walking the streets every day and are not arrested. I would not be surprised to learn that in the department are men who have planned murder."

Mayor Thompson said he would immediately start to rid the police department of crooks "even though it costs me my life."

GERMAN MAJOR GENERAL REPORTED KILLED IN ACTION

By Associated Press. London, Dec. 18.—Major General Von Stockhausen of the German army has been killed in action, according to a dispatch today from Amsterdam.

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POULTRY SHOW WAS SPLENDID SUCCESS

SECOND ANNUAL EXHIBITION OF NORTH TEXAS POULTRY ASSOCIATION CLOSED.

PLAN SHOW FOR NEXT YEAR

Judge Declared Show Here Best in West Texas this Year—Sweepstakes Awards Announced.

The second annual poultry show of the North Texas Poultry Raisers' association came to a close Saturday night, after a thoroughly successful four days of judging and exhibiting. The show was considered a satisfactory one in every particular, and that it will be repeated next year is a foregone conclusion. Walter Burton of Arlington, a well known poultry breeder who was judge of the exhibits, declared this show the best he had attended in West Texas, and was one of numerous compliments passed upon it.

The making of awards was completed Saturday. Particular interest attached to the awarding of the five all-year loving cups offered by the association. They went as follows: W. G. Airhart of Hunt county, sweepstakes pen of Rhode Island Reds; Ray McDonald of Dalhart, sweepstakes pen of barred rocks; R. L. Young, sweepstakes Plymouth Rock cockerel; Mrs. D. E. Young of Fort Worth, sweepstakes White Leghorn; R. L. Penick of Stamford, sweepstakes white rock hen. In addition there were a number of special merchandise and cash awards made.

Most of the exhibits will be returned to their owners today. It is felt that the show has been a success, not only in showing what poultry raisers of this section are doing, but in enabling those in attendance to gather much useful information. The following additional awards have been announced:

- Silver Campines. L. B. Anderson, cock 4.
- George Anderson, cock 1.
- T. E. Cannedy, pullets 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5; pen 1, 2, 4 and 5; cock 1, 2, 3 and 5.
- Fred Stengel, cock 2; cockerel 3; hen 5; pen 3.
- Golden Campines. T. E. Cannedy, cock 1, cockerel 1, hen 1, pullet 1, 2 and 3, pen 1.
- Golden Polish. C. O. Simmons, cockerel 1, pullet 1 and 2.
- White-Crested Black Polish. C. O. Simmons, cock 1, pullet 1, hen 1, 2 and 4; pen 1.
- Black Minorcas. J. B. Montgomery, cockerel 2, pullet 2, pen 2.
- Red Feather Farm, Portales, N. M., pullet 4.
- S. F. Goodwin of Amarillo, cock 1, hen 1, 2, 3 and 4, cockerel 1, pullet 1 and 3, pen 1.
- White Minorcas. E. G. Wright, cock 1, hen 1, 2, 3 and 4, cockerel 1, pullet 1 and 2, pen 1.
- White Leghorns. W. P. Brooks—cock, 5; hen, 5; pen, 5.
- B. M. Stoker of Brandon—cockerel, 5.
- Mrs. D. P. Young of Fort Worth—cock, 1 and 4; cockerel, 1; hen, 1 and 4; pullet, 5; pen, 1.
- W. J. Laiking—pullet, 2.
- E. W. Olds & Son, of Tyler—pullet, 1 and 2; cock, 2 and 3; cockerel, 2 and 3; hen, 2 and 3; pen, 2, 3 and 4.
- Mrs. C. R. Van Voy—cockerel, 4; pullet, 4.
- Brown Leghorns. B. M. Stoker of Brandon—cock, 1 and 2; pullet, 3.
- Ed Moxey of Lone Oak—pullet, 1 and 5; cockerel, 2 and 3; hen, 3; pen, 2.
- Lee Prescott—pen, 3.
- J. E. Sisk—cock, 4.
- Cornish Indian Game. T. E. Arbuckle—cockerel, 1 and 2.
- Silver Wyandottes. W. M. Marcom of Kayse City—cock, 2; pen, 1, 3 and 4; cockerel, 1; pullet, 1, 3 and 4; pen, 1.
- Franks. T. W. Walker—first prize on two entries.
- Indian Runner Ducks. W. P. Norman of Byers—Drake, 1; females, 1, 2 and 3.
- White Santams. S. B. Anderson—cock, 1; hens, 1, 2, 3 and 5.
- Georgie Snow—cockerel, 1; pullet, 1 and 2.
- Golden Seabright Santams. Vera Putnam—cockerel, 1; pullet, 1; hen, 1.
- Hamburgs. Mrs. H. B. Hutton—pullet, 1 and 2.
- White Plymouth Rocks. R. L. Penick of Stamford—cockerel, 4; hen, 1 and 3; pullet, 1 and 5; pen, 2.
- Albert Lucas—pen, 5.
- J. R. Brooks of Elk City—cock, 3; hen, 2; pullet, 3; pen, 2.
- Silver Laced Wyandottes. W. P. Norman of Byers—cock, 1 and 3; cockerel, 2; hen, 2 and 5; pullet, 2 and 5; pen, 5.
- Red Game. T. E. Cannedy—cockerel, 1; hen, 1 and 2; pullet, 1.
- English Red Cap. G. E. Hagland of Electra—cockerel, 1; pullet, 1.
- Blue Andalusians. Mrs. Harry Donnelly—cock, 1; hen, 1, 2 and 3; pullet, 1 and 3; pen, 1.
- Houdans. C. O. Simmons—cock, 1; hen, 1.
- Partridge Rock. J. N. Fitch—hens, 1, 2 and 3.
- Turkey. Robert Stuyton—first prize.
- J. H. Carpenter—first bronze tom; first bronze hen.

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4 CLASSES RECRUITS UNDER DERBY'S PLAN CALLED OUT

Appearance of Placards Topped With Royal Arms Created Stir in London Streets

By Associated Press. London, Dec. 18.—Four classes of recruits who enlisted under the Earl of Derby's plan were called out today by royal proclamation. The recruits of the Derby rolls who did not enlist for immediate service were placed on the army reserve rolls and therefore the first call for service is made by the same formality as in the case of the old army reserves who heretofore have been called to the colors. The appearance of placards topped with the royal arms caused a stir in the streets. The public infers that the Derby enlistment plan has been a success and therefore the first call for service is made by the same formality as in the case of the old army reserves who heretofore have been called to the colors. The appearance of placards topped with the royal arms caused a stir in the streets. The public infers that the Derby enlistment plan has been a success and therefore the first call for service is made by the same formality as in the case of the old army reserves who heretofore have been called to the colors.

sisting of eighteen year old boys as corresponding to the class of 1917 in continental countries and will defer indefinitely putting them in training. The classes called out are groups 2, 3, 4 and 5, of the Derby recruits. Their services will begin January 20. These groups are composed of unmarried men from 19 to 22 years of age.

PRECAUTIONS AGAINST TYPHUS FROM MEXICO

By Associated Press. Laredo, Texas, Dec. 18.—Measures to guard against the spread of typhus infection into the United States from Mexico have been inaugurated by state, federal and health authorities on the border it was learned today. It has not been possible to determine here the extent of typhus in Mexico but some of the reports brought by incoming passengers indicate that the disease has spread to within a few hundred miles of the border. The precautions here concern railroad equipment which might bring infected vermin into the United States. Freight cars returning from Mexico are subject to inspection and also to fumigation, if the findings justify it. Passenger equipment also is subject to fumigation provided it goes into Mexico beyond the yard limit of Nuevo Laredo and also if it remains in the yards too long. The shuttle train operating between here and Nuevo Laredo is given sanitary scrubbing.

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HEAVY BAIL FOR CANAL CONSPIRATORS

KOENIG AND LEYENDECKER RELEASED ON \$50,000 AND \$30,000 BONDS RESPECTIVELY

MORE ARRESTS EXPECTED

Many Others in United States Believed Implicated in Plot to Blow up Welland Canal

By Associated Press. New York, Dec. 18.—Paul Koenig, head of the bureau of investigation of the Hamburg-American line and Richard Leyendecker, a New York art goods retailer, were released in \$50,000 and \$30,000 bail respectively today by United States Commissioner Houghton, on a charge of conspiring to blow up the Welland Canal. The hearing was set for January 12, Counsel for Koenig and Leyendecker fought hard for a reduction of the bail, in insisting on the higher bond, Assistant United States Attorney Wood said:

"The amount is not too large. The people back of these men can put up any amount of money that is needed." Commissioner Houghton said:

"I do not regard the amount asked by the district attorney as excessive. Millions are at each others throats and we are trying our best to be

neutral. The government is spending much money to prevent just such actions as are complained of here. If these men should leave the country, forfeiture of the bail might prevent other men coming up here to foment plots."

Three Years' Penalty. The specific offense charged against Koenig and Leyendecker is conspiring to send a military expedition from this country against a friendly nation. The penalty on conviction is three years imprisonment and a fine of \$5,000.

Frederick Metzler, employed by the Hamburg-American line, said to have acted as stenographer for Koenig and Leyendecker will be arraigned Monday.

Assistant United States Attorney Sarfaty said the information in possession of the government made it almost certain that numerous additional arrests will be made throughout the country in the next few days. All of these, he said, will be in connection with the Welland Canal plot.

Maps of Canal Found. Leyendecker was taken into custody at his office at 345 Fifth avenue where he has been selling antiques. The agents of the department of justice declare they found in his office maps and drawings of the Welland Canal. Both men are said to have admitted that they had been along the American side but asserted they did not cross into Canada.

The specific charge preferred against the men is violation of Section 13 of the United States penal code, which prohibits the planning within the boundaries of the United States of a military expedition against a foreign power.

Leyendecker claims to be an American citizen and has admitted, it is said, that he has been employed by Koenig. Koenig took out his first

citizen papers in this country ten years ago, but never applied for his second. The government agents assert that Koenig has been known by many names.

Koenig, under the name of Stemmler, it was charged, was responsible for obtaining from Gustav Stahl the affidavit in which he declared he had seen guns on board the Lusitania the day before she sailed on her last voyage. Stahl was convicted on a charge of perjury and sentenced to eighteen months in the federal prison at Atlanta.

The actual plan to blow up the canal was mapped out in Buffalo in September, according to the complaint which specifically charges that it was "the purpose and intent of said defendants to destroy, mutilate and damage the Welland Canal by force of arms."

The precise details of the alleged plot were withheld by federal authorities, but it is understood that Koenig and Leyendecker had employed spies who went out from Buffalo and Niagara Falls to photograph the canal, prepare plans and make arrangements for blowing up the waterway at its most important point, and that nitroglycerin was to be used as the explosive.

Koenig and Leyendecker were in Buffalo about four days, according to the authorities, and returned to New York with the execution of the alleged plot left in the hands of their agents. So far as is known by the department of justice, it was said they had not abandoned the carrying out of the plot when the arrests took place.

from these ports are thus transported to Europe. Had the canal been destroyed it would have compelled the shipments to be carried to the Atlantic coast by rail before they could have been loaded on vessels.

GIRL THROWN FROM AUTO IN MAKING SHORT TURN

Miss Fay Newton Made Unconscious By Fall to Pavement—Injuries Not Believed Serious

Miss Fay Newton, daughter of L. W. Newton, the grocer, while riding home in Mr. Newton's automobile late yesterday evening was thrown from the car when it turned the corner at Tenth street and Scott avenue in a sharp turn. She struck the pavement head-foremost and was rendered unconscious. For a time it was feared that her skull had been fractured and that her injuries might be serious. Later last night she was reported resting well and it was believed there would be no serious results from her fall.

STREET CAR FRANCHISE AT SAN ANGELO VOID

By Associated Press. San Angelo, Texas, Dec. 18.—The street car franchise held by J. S. Sugg was formally made void by the city commissioners of San Angelo. No cars have been run on the line for several weeks. A number of eastern capitalists have made application for a franchise.

MAYBE SANTA CLAUS WILL HELP THEM

PENILESS MAN STARTED TO WALK WITH FOUR SMALL CHILDREN TO SAN SABA

ARE INDUCED TO TURN BACK

Captain Robb Investigating Case—Circumstances Appear to Call for Unstinted Sympathy and Help.

A man staggering under a bundle of canvas and bedding weighing fully a hundred pounds, followed by four small children, the youngest a tiny little girl of six years, each trudging along with a load of clothing or cooking utensils, was a spectacle that excited the interest of a Wichita Falls citizen yesterday afternoon when he saw the procession creeping along near the end of Tenth street.

Making inquiry this is what he learned: J. P. Carr, a man of about middle age, with his three sons, aged 8, 12 and 13, respectively, and his little girl, mentioned above, were starting to walk, carrying their belongings, to San Saba county, a distance of nearly three hundred miles mostly over a rough and scarcely settled country. Carr's sole capital for this trying venture was fifty-five cents. He said he intended to reach Lake Wichita before night, camp there overnight and in the morning take up the journey going in the direction of

Archer City. He was induced to turn back to the city hall and his case was laid before Captain Robb of the Salvation Army who provided lodging and food last night for the man and his children. He will investigate their case today and if thought advisable the family will be given transportation to San Saba county.

Carr said he and his children had been picking cotton in Oklahoma. When there was no more cotton to pick they came to Wichita Falls two weeks ago. Carr said he had been unable to find work and their savings having reached the point of disappearance, he determined to strike out for San Saba county where he and his children had picked cotton last year and where the people for whom they had worked had taken a fancy to the children. Carr thought that if they could reach these people they would take care of his children until he would be able to provide for them.

Carr's wife, the mother of the children, had died several years ago, he said, while they lived near Dalhart. It had been a hard struggle for them ever since, he said. Carr apparently had never thought of appealing to any one for help and had set out blindly on the desperate venture of walking to San Saba county with his children. He appears to be an honest, hardworking fellow, who evidently has been so buffeted by misfortune that he has lost grasp of the situation and has been drifting almost helplessly. The case is one that appears to call for the intervention of a wise and tender hearted Santa Claus.

The children are unusually bright and attractive and the two older boys told how they had worked in the harvest field and in the cotton patch and had earned the money for their own clothes and for their younger brother as well. As the family waited at the police station for Captain Robb to come yesterday afternoon, the lit-

tle girl, tired and dirty, but enjoying the warmth of the gas fire, made friends with the police and others who came into the hall. Some one gave her a cheap addressed doll. The little girl clasped it tenderly in her arms. "I'm going to get me a little ribbon and I'm going to tie it around my little dollie and put it in a box and wait until Santa Claus comes, and maybe he'll bring it a dress," she confided to her little brother. Maybe Santa Claus will.

BRIDGE COLLAPSED CARS PLUNGED INTO RIVER

Seven Killed and Ten Injured at Spokane, Washington When Bridge Goes Down

By Associated Press. Spokane, Wash., Dec. 18.—Seven persons were killed and ten injured when a street car went through a bridge here today. The ten were in the car more than an hour after it went into the river. Two street cars were on the bridge when the structure collapsed. The end of one car fell to the water and the other rested on the abutment. The car crew and two passengers were rescued, uninjured. The other car, carrying about 20 passengers fell into the river and a heavy steel beam crashed down on it, crushing passengers on one side of the car. Two hours after the accident the bodies could be seen under the water.

The bridge took with it the tanks that supply the northeast section of the city with water and gas.

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The famous Jersey astrologer, Gustave Meyer, says the European war is not going to end until about July, 1917. He says the stars indicate this. Among Meyer's list of realized prophecies was the assassination of President McKinley.

General Pablo Gonzalez, commander of Mexico City, will receive as a Christmas present the head of General Juan B. Hernandez, former intimate friend of President Diaz and a relation of General Huerta. Hernandez fell in battle near Vera Cruz, and his head was severed from his body, carefully crated and sent by a special messenger to the commander at Mexico City. We only make mention of this to give an idea of Mexico and her people, and of what progress they are making towards becoming a civilized nation.

The rain which fell over this entire section of country Thursday night has greatly encouraged wheat farmers. Reports from different parts of the country agree that the fall was almost sufficient to carry wheat crops through until about the middle of January. So far as is known the greenhouses have not made their appearance in the wheat fields of this part of the State, and this is encouraging also. Altogether, prospects for an abundant wheat crop next year are considered flattering, almost as good as they were last year at this time.

According to a report just issued there are 3,450 people in Texas paying a federal income tax. In the whole of the United States there are 83,000 persons earning from \$3,000 to \$4,000 annually; and 66,525 whose annual earnings are between \$4,000 and \$5,000. The Treasury Department recommends that the amount on which a married man or woman shall be required to pay an income tax be lowered from \$4,000 to \$2,000 and single persons from \$2,000 to \$2,000. The income tax collections last year amounted to \$50,150,693. Based upon increases as recommended for the fiscal year the income tax collections for 1916 will amount to \$85,000,000 and for the year 1917 \$90,000,000.

Considerable pressure is being brought to bear on Governor Ferguson just now to have him call an extra session of the legislature with its principal object that of amending or changing our election law so as to cut out so many primary elections in 1916. Under the present law it is possible that four primary elections will be held throughout the State during the summer of 1916. The expense of these primaries is met by assessments made by county committees on the candidates, and are very expensive. The object in calling an extra session of the legislature would be to bunch these primaries and, since the election laws of the State make that method of choosing candidates compulsory, throw the expense of same where it properly belongs—on the State. There is sound reasoning there, and if the law could be changed to have all the primary elections on one day—that is the first one, and the second one two weeks later in which only two candidates for any office receiving the highest number of votes could participate, it might not be a bad idea to convene the legislature for the purpose of changing the law to that extent. By the double primary, both of which should be held at the expense of the State, it would not be possible for a minority candidate for office to gain his election. As now, more often than not, our county and state officials are re-elected by a

minority vote of the dominant party, and in a great many cases, these officers chose by the present method, could hardly hope to win their election on nomination by a majority.

The thriving city of Vernon is having her census taken, and so far the enumerators have found 4,700 souls residing within her corporate limits. Their work is not yet complete, and when it is they hope the figures will show a population of 5,000. Speaking of the matter the Vernon Record has this to say:

It will be surprising to the majority of our people to learn that Vernon is now a city of more than 5,000 inhabitants. The census, which is now being taken will be sworn to and will, therefore, be authentic in every particular. Just five years ago, the government census was taken and at that time we had a population of a little more than 3,100. At this rate of growth, we will decidedly more than double our population in the ten years from 1910 to 1920. And the best feature of this is that the growth has been gradual, with the development of the country. We will yet out distance Wichita Falls if that city does not move on a little faster.

There is some talk of having a census taken of Wichita Falls. The census of 1910 gave us a population of 8,200, and Vernon 3,195. Based on scholastics, it is now believed that, in the five years gone by, Wichita Falls has doubled her population, and at that rate of growth the government census of 1920 will show this city to be one of more than 30,000 population. Vernon is growing rapidly, and the Times is glad that it is so, but we have little or no cause to be alarmed that she will ever catch up with Wichita Falls. There was a time when Vernon was a much larger city than Wichita Falls. The census of 1890, for instance, shows Vernon had a greater population, but the 1900 census gave to Wichita Falls a population of 2,480, and Vernon 1,993. Since that time Wichita Falls has continued to go forward, outdistancing all her former rivals, including Vernon and Amarillo.

We suppose the entire country is prepared to stand for an increase in taxation if the deficit in Federal revenues necessitates it—indeed, there is nothing else for us to do. But we hope that Congress will secure the increase from another source than "stamp tacking," and that the \$18,000,000 estimate to ensue from the placynupish check stamps will come from some other less vexatious and soul-trying method. The stamp itself doesn't make such a great difference—it would fall very lightly on anybody so far as dollars and cents go. But it's a "blooming" nuisance that always seemed to us beneath the dignity of a great institution like our Federal government. The very thought of it makes our salivary glands' mouths water.—Denton Record and Chronicle. The general government expects to raise revenue to the amount of about \$18,000,000 by requiring stamps to be placed on checks drawn on banks, and not \$18,000,000. We suppose that is only a typographical error made by the Record-Chronicle's linotype man, and overlooked by the proof reader. But the amount does not make so much difference. If we are to be taxed to place the army and navy on a better footing, then let it be levied and paid in a lump sum. The stamp tax was inflicted on the people of this country just after the Spanish-American war, and those who remember what an infernal nuisance it was do not look with favor on another such method of collecting revenue for the government. Rather than put up with it again many people would cease to write checks at all, or at least, would not write them as freely and as often as now.

The following from the Waco Times-Herald is to the point and sound to the core: "No matter where your sympathies are in the great European conflict, brother, you are bound to admit that this country must look out for its welfare and uphold its own dignity, and in this particular the president is entitled to your cordial sympathy and your hearty support, assuming that you are an American citizen." So sound and sensitively patriotic is the president's position that not even the republicans dare join issue with it.—Houston Post.

EUROPE'S SURPLUS WOMEN. (Chattanooga, Tenn., Times.) One of these experts in Europe who make a specialty of preparing figures and estimates on some of the results of the war has reached the conclusion that, when the close of the contest shall come, there will be, in round numbers, 5,000,000 more women than men on the continent.—Judging by the report of the number of men killed in

battle, by disease and by the rigorous experiences of the march and trench life, this would seem to be a moderate estimate. All the same, it represents a condition which will present very grave problems to the governments and to the people, later on.

Further, this same expert figures that there will be at least 5,000,000 men at the close of the war, who will be such physical wrecks that they never can be reckoned in the list of those likely to become husbands and fathers.

However, accurate or lacking in accuracy these figures may be, it is inevitable that the end of the war will see conditions in which the number of women will surpass that of men to the extent of millions. And there would seem to be no possible ground for questioning the assertion that millions of the survivors of battle, disease, maiming and the other ravages of war experience will be cut off for the remainder of their years from the privileges and possibilities of marriage and fatherhood.

There may be those who accept the Malthusian doctrine as an explanation of all great wars. But that doctrine has no ground in that sort of reasonableness which should make provision for the sexes to be served alike in the matter of a reasonable equality of numbers.

PRESIDENT IS MARRIED TO MRS. GALT

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of those sending wedding gifts have been withheld from publication. The great number received, however, completely offset the plans for classifying and cataloging them at the White House. When the gifts were sorted it was understood that the gifts having intrinsic value, which came from persons unknown to the president or Mrs. Wilson will be returned.

The president and Mrs. Wilson are expected to return on or before Jan. 4, when Congress reconvenes. The Pan-American reception in the White House on January 7 will be the social function of the season, which is expected to be unusually brilliant.

Third Presidential Wedding. Woodrow Wilson is the third president to be married during his term of office. President Tyler was the first and President Cleveland was the other. Mr. Tyler, like Mr. Wilson was left a widower during his term. Two years later in 1844 in New York City he was married to Miss Julia Gardiner who then presided at the White House functions during the last year of her husband's term of office.

Grover Cleveland's marriage to Miss Francis Folsom took place in the blue room of the executive mansion. It was comparatively a private affair for the invited guests included only the cabinet members, their wives and a few friends and relatives of the couple. The president's wedding is the third in his family since he took office. The first White House wedding of his term was that of his second daughter, Jessie Woodrow Wilson to Francis Boyce Sayre and the other was that of his youngest daughter, Eleanor to Secretary McAdoo. The president now has two grandchildren, the little son of the Sayres and the baby daughter of the McAdoo's.

The president and his bride both are Virginians by birth. He was born at Staunton 59 years ago this month and she was born at Wytheville, the daughter of Judge and Mrs. William H. Bolling and was one child in a large family. Two sisters, Mrs. Alexander H. Galt and Miss Bertha Bolling and three brothers, John Randolph, Richard Wilmer and Julian B. Bolling live in Washington. Rolfe E. Bolling, another brother is manager of the Commercial Bank at Panama and another, Dr. William E. Bolling, lives in Louisville, Ky. A third sister, Mrs. M. H. Maury, lives in Anniston, Alabama. The bride's family has been prominent in the history of Virginia and she herself is a descendant of Pocahontas the Indian chief's daughter who married John Rolfe.

Bride's Prominence. Since 1896 Mrs. Galt has lived in Washington, belonging to none of the distinct social sets, but active in charity and philanthropy in her own ways. From her first husband she inherited control of a prosperous mercantile business of which she has been accredited with now being the active head and many tributes are paid to her ability. But activity in business, her friends say, never has diminished her interest in a woman's world. She loves flowers, books and door decorations. After the president's courtship began she took up golf and on many Saturday afternoons they were seen together on the links at some one of the country clubs about the capital, or at other times taking long motor drives over the Virginia hills or along the shore roads in lower Maryland. Of-

ten they took picnic luncheon from the White House on their journeys and ate it by the roadside.

In the White House circle—the bride quickly found her place. She plays the piano, sings and loves poetry and when in the intimacy of the family, the president often has read aloud his favorite poems, as is his custom, she is said to have been one of his most interested hearers.

Miss Margaret Wilson the president's eldest daughter and Miss Helen Woodrow Bones, his cousin, are said to have drawn her into the White House circle in the early autumn of 1914. From that time, she was a frequent guest at the executive mansion and last summer spent a month at the guest of Margaret Wilson at the summer White House at Cornish, N. H. The engagement was announced on October 6, not long after the presidential party returned to Washington for the winter.

Little Publicity. Both the president and his bride aimed not to have their wedding in the White House but in her home near Dupont circle which sometimes is called the social hub of the capital. She lives there in a tastefully arranged house, somewhat small by comparison with the mansions which surround it. It is not large enough for entertaining on an extended scale and for that reason a large company was not invited to the wedding. Mr. McAdoo, the president's son-in-law was the only member of the cabinet included in the party. The rest were all relatives.

The repeatedly expressed wish of the couple for a quiet wedding unattended by any great amount of publicity is responsible for the general lack of common knowledge of so many of the details which attend such a ceremony. No public announcements have been made of the gifts received and likewise there has been no announcement of the gowns and decorations. New York dressmakers have been frequently during the last few weeks at the White House and at the bride's home and she has made one or two shopping trips out of the city to complete her trousseau.

COMPARATIVE QUIET ON ALL EUROPEAN BATTLE FRONTS NOW

CONDITIONS ON BOTH BALKAN AND EASTERN FRONTS HOW-EVER INDICATE IMPORTANT MOVEMENTS SOON

LONG EASTERN BATTLE LINE

In North Germans Reported Making New Thrust Near Riga—Russians Advance at Center and Are Active at the South Toward Baghdad

By Associated Press. London, Dec. 18.—The week end finds the war situation in the east and west bearing the outward appearance of comparative quietude and some observers are ready to predict that operations will virtually remain at a standstill until after the holidays. Nevertheless there is no lack of food for speculation particularly on eastern fronts which now virtually stretches across two continents from north Russia to south Persia. In the extreme north there have been unofficial reports that the promised new German thrust between Riga and Dvinsk has already begun but neither Berlin nor Petrograd confirm this in the official communications.

Five hundred miles further south the Russians believe they have checked another enemy attempt to resume the offensive in Galicia.

On Balkan Front. In the Balkan zone the first chapter is closed, but with more than 2,000,000 men of a dozen different nations under arms, it is not likely that the campaign will long maintain a state of quietude. On the fringes of the Balkans, there is promise of new annoyances from the Bulgarians and Germans and the Italians, operating through Albania, and the Russian concentration in Bessarabia, meanwhile in the so-called middle east Grand Duke Nicholas' advance to Hamedan brings strong Russian forces to within about 200 miles of Baghdad and it is believed in the entente capitals that his operations will put new life and new importance into the British operations in south Persia after the recent setback.

The situation on the Greek border is surrounded with obscurity. The matters with which diplomacy has recently been dealing are believed to be in a fair way of settlement. The Greek elections of tomorrow appear not likely to be a serious factor in the situation as the refusal of the followers of ex-premier Venizelos to participate will leave chance of the elections to cause a change in the Greek policy. But the threat of a German advance into Greece continues and provides numerous possibilities for upsets.

Lottery Scheme in England. London, in the absence of definite war developments, is devoting a large share of its attention to domestic affairs. The possibility of conscription for single men who failed to respond to Lord Derby's call is sharing the stage with proposals for a lottery scheme in aiding the state in floating a large popular loan. The lottery plan finds considerable support in the press, the plan formerly favored being the issue of a five per cent bond of which two per cent is retained by the government for semi-annual distribution by lot in prizes ranging from 50,000 pounds downwards. The government has found it impossible

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to prorogue Parliament before Christmas and it is assumed that on the resumption of business January 4 the session will continue for about a fortnight. The members possibly will be summoned to return for the new session in February.

WANTED TO SURRENDER FOR KILLING 37 YEARS AGO. Muskogee, Oklahoma, Dec. 18.—B. A. Miller, 80 years old, walked into the sheriff's office here today and when he had finished a story which he

told with trembling eagerness, he had confessed to killing a man 37 years ago at Riverton, Ill. and wished to give himself up. After the white haired old man had been heard the officers said they confirmed his story from R. T. Miller, a son living in Avant, Okla., but that the octogenarian was not wanted any longer at Riverton because all his witnesses are dead or have moved away. Miller was not held. According to the officers he had killed James Cullen, a bartender, when Cullen resisted arrest and then had fled in fear of a lawless ele-

ment in the town. Miller was town marshal at that time.

FIRM UNDERTONE NOTED IN NEW ORLEANS MARKET. New Orleans, Dec. 18.—Covering by recent sellers, expectations of a reaction from the long decline and bullish comment regarding ginning returns gave the cotton market here today a firm undertone and brought about a raise of over a dollar a bale. It was a lively session for the week end and a large volume of business was done.

Dame Fashion Has Decreed This Christmas to Be A Jewelry Christmas
The costume of the well-dressed man or woman would be incomplete if lacking in the adornment and refinement lent by careful chosen jewels.
Our jewelry shown this year excels that of any preceding seasons.
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Many other articles from \$1.25 to \$2.00 will be shown in the window all for 95c. Buy your Christmas from us and save money.

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Strong With the Strength of Conservative Banking, Resources of More than Two Million Dollars

For the convenience of our friends and customers, we will have on hand Tuesday morning, December the 21st, a supply of new \$2.50 and \$5 gold pieces direct from the Mint, which make desirable Christmas gifts.

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All our work guaranteed—furniture repairing, refinishing, upholstery, packing and crating. Furniture Hospital 1903 Ohio Ave. Phone 1290. 70-4tc

Last night was very quiet in police circles, there being few arrests. The Saturday before Christmas last year was one of the busiest in local police annals, scores of arrests being made.

Ford car, 1914 model, seat covers, in fine shape, \$290 cash, if sold at once. Phone 740. 87-3tc

We have a beautiful line of useful articles that serve as Christmas gifts. Wichita Hardware Co. 84-tfc

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Dr. Scharff, Osteopath, K. & K. Bldg.

George W. Eagle has purchased the Howard grocery store at 815 Seventh street and has already taken charge. He intends to stock it with a first class line of staple and fancy groceries and his extensive acquaintance throughout the city should attract a large volume of trade.

Boys! Boys! All kinds of air rifles, prices 60 cents to \$3.00. Wichita Hardware Co. 84-tfc

The Donnelly Floral Company, phone 957 have cut flowers and plants and are up to the minute in all floral work. They have rose plants for sale. Give them a trial. 76-tfc

Sheriff Combast of Paducah and Constable Mell Dwight of Childress were here yesterday with two young men whom they had arrested in Haskell county and were taking back to Paducah to answer charges of cow theft.

Electric toasters, irons, warming pads, curler heaters, chafing dishes, water boilers, percolators, etc. The Wichita Hardware Co. 84-tfc

Don't fail to read the Winfrey gun store ad. It may save you some money. 88-3tc

A Good Christmas Gift. I have a small collection of Oil Paintings, which I will sell at a low figure at The Electric Studio, 706 Ohio Ave. 88-1tc

"Wear Ever" aluminum ware at the Wichita Hardware Co. 84-tfc

Alma Brown and Emma Jasper, two negro women, were heard over to the action of the grand jury, after a

hearing before Justice Howard yesterday on charges of theft from the person. They are alleged to have robbed two Mexicans Friday night. Alma Brown's bond was placed at \$500 and Emma Jasper's at \$1,000. The Jasper woman was bound over to the grand jury several weeks ago on a charge of selling liquor.

Sweet milk delivered every afternoon. Phone 1386. Call between 1 and 6 o'clock. 87-6tp

714 Wall Street, rear of Palace Drug store, where all kinds of battery work and auto repairing is done. Phone 2163. Wall Street Auto Machine Co., Shuler & Wallace, Props. 84-tfc

See "The College Widow" at the Gem Monday. Read the story in this paper. 88-1tc

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Wichita Falls Undertaking Co., 812 Scott avenue. Phone 202. Prompt ambulance service. Command us. 18-tfc

Let us make your old suit or top coat into a new style. Now is the time to have your coats relined. Home Tailoring Co., phone 1231, 709 Seventh street. 70-tfc

Marriage licenses have been issued to John Roberts and Miss Dollie

Hayes; and to W. R. Inman and Miss Pearl Palmom.

Furniture upholstering, repairing and refinishing. Reliable shop. James and Clark, 703 Tenth street. Phone 2174. 67-tfc

L. A. Childs the gas man, phone 584, 1009 9th St. 65-26tc

An Invitation. The faculty and students of the Academy of Mary Immaculate extend to the public in general, especially to their patrons and friends a cordial invitation to the exhibit of needlework to be held at the Institution Monday and Tuesday, December 20 and 21. Hours 9 to 12 a. m.; 1 to 6 p. m.; 7 to 8:30 p. m.

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You can buy that iron wagon, velocipede or cart from Wichita Hardware Co. 84-tfc

We make a specialty of padding and relining furs. Home Tailoring Co., phone 1231, 109 Seventh street. 70-tfc

G. C. Bevil, who has been employed in a meat market here, was arrested yesterday by Policeman Gilham after a telegram had been received from Waxahatchie saying Bevil was wanted there on a charge of abandonment.

A beautiful pearl or sterling silver handled pocket knife from Wichita Hardware Co. would serve very well. 84-tfc

Don't fail to read the Winfrey gun store ad. It may save you some money. 88-3tc

Don't Forget to come and see the art collection of Oil Paintings and purchase something that will always increase in value. Electric Studio, 706 Ohio Ave. 88-1tc

Waco, where he has been attending Baylor University, to spend the holidays.

CHALMERS' ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATED IN STYLE

During the Chalmers Sales Convention just closed in Detroit, Hugh Chalmers celebrated the eighth anniversary of his entry into the automobile business. On November 15, 1907, he reached Detroit, having just purchased an interest in the Thomas-Detroit Motor Company. At that time the Thomas-Detroit Company was capitalized at \$150,000, and employed a force of 200 men.

One year later, the company became the Chalmers Motor Company. Today Mr. Chalmers is at the head and in financial control of one of the world's largest automobile factories employing 5,000 men and with a real estate and machinery value of \$8,000,000.

Detroit was given a striking idea of the extent to which this business has grown in the past eight years by the gathering of 600 Chalmers dealers in convention and the placing of order for over \$22,000,000 worth of cars in less than 40 minutes time.

The salaried position which Mr. Chalmers left in Dayton, Ohio, was worth \$75,000 and many wondered at a man giving up such a position to encounter the uncertainties of starting a new business. Those people must still wonder today, at his genius as well as his courage.

Harold Carpenter, local agent for the Chalmers has returned from the convention. He spent two weeks at the factory, going over the sales plan, and also worked in the motor department acquainting himself with all the details of this motor.

DR. BROOKS RESIGNS AS BAYLOR'S PRESIDENT

By Associated Press. Waco, Tex., Dec. 18.—Dr. Samuel Palmer Brooks, president of Baylor University, resigned that position, effective January 1, today. Dr. Brooks gave as his reason that he intended to devote his time until next summer to his campaign for the democratic nomination for United States senator to succeed Charles Culberson.

MOUNT AETNA REPORTED IN ERUPTION AGAIN

By Associated Press. Catania, Dec. 18.—Mount Aetna is emitting red hot lava which, streaming along the sides of the mountain, produces a wonderful effect especially at night. Smoke forms an umbrella shaped cloud above the volcano.

INTRODUCES BILL FOR NEW QUANAHO POSTOFFICE.

(Quanaho Observer.) Congressman Jno. H. Stevens has introduced a bill into the House of Representatives for an appropriation of \$50,000 for a site and post office building in Quanaho.

LETTER MAILED 65 YEARS AGO DELIVERED SATURDAY.

By Associated Press. Los Angeles, Dec. 18.—A letter written by the Rev. Samuel Ward of New Hope, Ill., November 18, 1850, the day he cast a ballot for "Good Abe Lincoln" was received through the mails here today by Prof. W. D. Ward of Occidental College, a son of H. O. Ward of Zanesville, Ohio; the man to whom it was addressed. Where the letter went after it was mailed will

remain a mystery. The next postmark after that of Negoa in 1850 is that of College Station, N. Y. August 3, 1910. The letter reached Zanesville last October and after search had been made for the addressee was forwarded here to Prof. Ward, who lacks three days being as old as the letter.

Real Estate Transfers. S. M. Michel to W. E. Aldridge, lot 13, block 135, Wichita Falls; \$800. H. S. Karrenbrock to Mrs. R. Robertson, lot 5 and part of lot 6, block 118, Wichita Falls; \$2,500. J. L. Cavender to J. A. Guffin, lot 21, College Height Addition to Burk Burnett; \$200.

FATAL AUTO ACCIDENT NEAR SAN ANGELO FRIDAY

By Associated Press. San Angelo, Texas, Dec. 18.—Allen Scoggin, 24, was instantly killed, John Cawley, aged 50, fatally injured and three small boys badly bruised when an automobile in which they were riding turned over near here last night. Cawley's back was broken and he died in two hours. He was returning to his home in Wingo, Runnels county after attending his mother's funeral here yesterday.

FORTIFICATION OF SALONIKI IS PROTECTED BY GREECE.

By Associated Press. London, Dec. 18.—Reuter's Athens correspondent is authority for the statement that the Greek government had lodged a formal protest with the entente powers against the fortification of Saloniki by the allied forces.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

FOR SALE—Second hand Pope motorcycle, cheap. Winfrey gun store 711 5th Street. 88-3tc

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Card of Thanks. We wish to thank our many friends through the illness and death of our brother, S. R. Johnson. MRS. J. H. RICKS and Family. 88-1tc

Personals

Miss Annabelle Farquhar, kindergarten teacher in the public schools, left yesterday to spend the Christmas vacation with relatives at Navasota.

Perry Ferguson is home from the Principia School at St. Louis to spend the Christmas vacation.

Mrs. E. T. Thomas and baby of Childress arrived yesterday for a visit with D. DeBis and family.

Chauncey Frasier is home from Kenner College at Knoxville, Mo., to spend the holidays.

W. H. Street and wife have returned from Childress where they have been for several months.

Mrs. J. K. Scoggin and daughter, Maurine, left yesterday for a visit with relatives at Sweetwater and Killeen.

Henry and Luther Robertson, who have been attending Baylor University at Waco, have returned to spend the holidays with their parents, M. and Mrs. W. L. Robertson.

J. G. Auld will leave today for Kansas City on business; home from Ivan Lawley has returned from

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TWO RESIDENCES ARE BURNED AT PORTALES.

(Portales Enterprise) Two residences, one occupied by J. A. Haws and the other a vacant building belonging to E. P. Murrell were destroyed by fire last Sunday about twelve o'clock. The fire originated in the Haws home and was caused by the explosion of gasoline with which Mr. Haws was cleaning a skirt. The gasoline became ignited and burned her severely about the arms and face, but not thought to be seriously. Practically everything in the house was burned. It was only by the heroic efforts of a few men and boys that kept the entire block from burning. It was almost impossible to get water to fight the fire and what little that was used had to be carried two or three blocks in buckets that could be obtained.

BOBBY WAUGH IS READY TO DEFEND HIS TITLE AGAINST WALSH TUESDAY

A pugilistic title—the lightweight championship of the South—will be at stake next Tuesday night at the Business Men's Athletic Club when Bobby Waugh, holder of the belt since he defeated Weigast, will meet Harry Walsh, the young Californian who has staged so many classy bouts in the local glove arena.

Waugh has been here several days and is in good physical trim for his part, and a boxing program of such class has been arranged.

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Is life in the country too monotonous for you? If so, and you have from a hundred to three hundred thousand dollars worth of good land, we can relieve you of your worry by placing you in possession of that amount of choice property in one of the best cities in the South. What will you offer us?

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Why worry? If your wife's folks want you to go back to Northeast Texas, we can give you a trade on a good farm of 700 acres, good home and well improved, right at town, where you can have country and town life combined, 20 acres fine orchard, three springs and ponds well stocked with fish, good soil, good grass and land that will yield a bale of cotton or 40 bushels of corn to the acre. What more could you ask. This is like finding a honey pond with fritter trees yielding plenty of buttered fritters growing in the center of it. Trade it to you for your town property or land in this section.

We can't sell anything these days, but we are long on trading. If you have anything that you don't want come and tell us about it, or write us, and we will find someone who does want it. If you want to borrow money, or have notes to sell, come to see us.

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Personals

Dr. J. C. A. Guest returned Saturday from Haskell.

Miss Olive Alrey left Saturday for Mobile, Ala., where she will spend Christmas.

John Kay Jr., returned Saturday from Kemper Academy, Booneville, Mo., to spend the holidays with his parents.

Miss Helen Hines will arrive the first of the week from Fort Worth where she was a student in Texas Woman's College.

Miss Thelma Kahn has returned from Columbia, Mo., where she attended Christian College. She will spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Alex Kahn.

H. H. Franklin, advance man for Burton's Comedians the attraction at the Wichita commencing Tuesday night, came down from Frederick, Okla., yesterday morning.

Miss Eloise Peery is expected to arrive the first of the week from Fairmount Seminary. Weatherford to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Peery. Other Wichita girls home from Fairmount are Misses Elizabeth Patterson, Frances Urban, Margaret Noble, Ruby Greenwood and Icie Stringer.

Misses Pauline Richolt and Audrey Adickes are at home for the holidays. They have been attending Ward-Balmeat College at Nashville.

Miss Bermet Jackson has returned from Cincinnati where she attended the Conservatory of Music.

Claud Lane and wife and boys of Denver, Colo., have arrived in the city to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Lane.

Sheriff M. M. Wallace of Graham, was in the city yesterday on business connected with his office.

Miss Katherine Cook left yesterday morning for Austin, where she will visit with old friends. Mrs. R. W. Cook accompanied her as far as Fort Worth returning yesterday.

Mrs. T. P. Priest of Texarkana is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Charles W. Reid, 2107 Tenth street.

Miss Bruce Dickson arrived Saturday from Milford Texas Presbyterian College to spend the holidays here.

T. B. Noble, Jr., and Leslie Stringer were among the Kemper boys who arrived Saturday from Booneville, Mo., to spend the holidays with their parents.

Mrs. H. C. James and son, John Bob, are expected to arrive this week to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Young.

L. L. Cunningham of St. Louis who has been here for several days looking after his interests in Wichita Falls, left yesterday for Fort Worth and will return to St. Louis from that place.

Miss Olive Alrey left yesterday for her home at Mobile, Ala., to spend the holidays.

Miss Lucile Mason, who has been employed in the Corsica offices here left yesterday for her home at San Angelo to spend the holidays.

Chas. H. Stewart and H. H. Trimble of the U. S. Geological Survey, came in yesterday to spend Sunday with friends here.

J. C. Compton, dispatcher for the Fort Worth and Denver, has left for Albuquerque and Raton, New Mexico, to spend the holidays.

W. A. Dick left yesterday for Oplis, Texas, where he was called by the illness of his son, C. R. Dick.

Mrs. Henry Ehler and baby left yesterday for Plainview to spend the holidays with her mother.

T. E. Duncan is in Fort Worth looking after some business interests there.

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- Motorcycle Chums
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- Molly Brown
- Oak Dale Boys
- Dorothy Dale
- Putnam Hall
- Every Boys Library
- Lefty Series
- The Adventures of Tom Sawyer
- Huckleberry Finn

Besides we have many other articles which will afford you service and amusement such as Parkers Self-Filler Fountain pens at \$1.00 \$1.50 and \$2.00, all guaranteed Foot Balls, at \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00. Basket balls, base balls, gloves and mits, tennis balls and rackets, pencil sets and sharpeners, etc. JUST TAKE A LOOK AT OUR WINDOWS.

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Beginning Wednesday we will be open evenings—Wednesday and Thursday till 9:30 p. m., and Friday night we will remain open as long as you want to buy.

IN THE SPHERE OF WOMANKIND

Contributions to the society columns are invited, phone 1671 or send to this office. Contributions must be in by 12 o'clock to appear in that day's issue. All contributions for the Sunday society windows and the Social Calendar must be in by 12 o'clock Saturday morning.

PATHFINDERS COMPLIMENT NEW CENTURY CLUB FRIDAY

The Pathfinder Club, the first girls' study club to be organized in this city, was hostess Friday afternoon to the members of the New Century Club and a few guests at the home of Mrs. S. H. Burnside. This was the club's first open meeting to the older club women and the occasion proved thorough delightful. The long reception room of the Burnside home was most attractive in a Christmas scheme of decoration, windows and doorways being festooned with red and green with holly and mistletoe intermingled. The fireplace was a bank of greenery and poinsettias and chandeliers. The program was opened by the president of the Pathfinders, Miss Emma Smith, who made a short talk of welcome. Miss Burnside gave a piano selection as did Miss Thompson and Mrs. Harry Berry read a paper, "Why Girls' Clubs Should Federate." Mrs. Ben Bell gave a reading and Mrs. C. Y. Tully sang. Following this program several of the guests were called on to contribute to the entertainment, this portion of the program being impromptu and humorous nature. A plate of refreshment dainties consisting of chicken salad, sandwiches, olives and nuts was served with tea. The Pathfinder Club members present included, Mrs. S. H. Burnside, Misses Alice Burnside, Tula Stokes, Emma Smith, Temple Thompson, Aulins Means, Hazel Hfner, Mesdames M. A. Beckman, Clarence Demore and Harry Berry. The guests included: Mesdames Bralley, Whitney, Gardner, Lee, Felder, Pounds, Adams, Hunter, Martin of Clinton, Mo., Barnard, Stokes, Ben Bell, T. B. Noble, M. M. Walker and C. Y. Tully, Erwin.

BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR JACK WALSH FRIDAY

Jack Walsh celebrated his tenth birthday Friday afternoon with a party for a number of little friends. Games were enjoyed, Clark Shaffer winning the prize, a box of candy and late in the afternoon the children were served delicious cake, chocolate and fruit by the host's mother, Mrs. E. L. Walsh, assisted by Mrs. R. P. Walsh. Master Jack was the recipient of numerous nice gifts from the following guests: Marion Walsh, Clark Shaffer, Douglas Cavanaugh, Jewel Millican, Catherine Wylie, Margaret Robertson, Hugh Shaffer, Victor Pastsek and Billie Walsh.

MRS. FRAZIER HOSTESS TO MONROE CIRCLE WEDNESDAY

The Monroe Sewing Circle met on Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Joseph Frazier the afternoon being devoted entirely to work on Christmas gifts. A delicious refreshment course was served to the following guests: Mesdames Wilcox, Ford and Waggoner, members, Mesdames Bennett, Williams, Bradshaw, Morgan, Taylor, Minor, Gullahorn, Lowery and Chauncey.

MRS. HARVEY ENTERTAINS THE FRIDAY BRIDGE CLUB

The usual session of the Friday Bridge Club was held this week with Mrs. R. O. Harvey hostess. The usual two table game was enjoyed, high score prize, an etched glass bud vase, going to Mrs. W. B. Larkin. A luncheon course, consisting of pressed chicken, pimento salad, wafers, olives and tea was served to the following: Mesdames W. B. Larkin, Marchman, W. B. Shepherd, Frank Griffin, Lee Smith, Peyton Gwynn and J. C. Straus.

TWO WOMEN AND NEGRO ARRESTED AT LOCAL HOTEL

Bell Hop Is Fined \$100 For Soliciting—Women Plead Guilty to Vagrancy

A negro bell boy at a local hotel was fined \$100 by Judge Rye in the city court Saturday morning on conviction of soliciting for prostitutes. The proprietor of the hotel called the officers Friday night to arrest two women who had registered at the hotel. The negro was arrested at the same time. The women plead guilty to being common prostitutes. As there is no provision in the city jail for female prisoners in cold weather, their fines were suspended on condition that they leave town on the first train.

AT THE CHURCHES

Central Presbyterian Church.

(Corner Bluff and 11th)
Morning service—Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. A. F. Kerr, superintendent. Preaching at 11 a. m. by the pastor. Evening services—Preaching 7:15 p. m. by the pastor. Prayer service at 7:15 p. m. Wednesday. We extend a cordial welcome to all to worship with us. FRED McFADDEN, Pastor.

First Methodist Episcopal Church.

(Corner 7th and Lamar)
Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. Epworth League at 6:30 p. m. Preaching at 7:30 p. m. There will be prayer meeting at 7:30 Wednesday evening. Special music Sunday evening. If you are a stay-at-home, come and worship with us this Lord's day; if you do not attend church anywhere, we give you a special invitation. Are you reading this notice? The pastor, C. C. Brannon, would like to get acquainted with you. The song books have come for Paul's Chapel factory addition; they come in time for the Xmas exercises which will be held Thursday evening.

Church of Christ.

(1104 Bluff St.)
Bible school at 9:30 a. m. Preaching by C. A. Buchanan at 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m. The New Birth, spoken of in Jno. 3, will be discussed at the evening hour. We invite the public to our services. We are careful to entertain strangers. Prayer meeting on Wednesday night.

Church of the Good Shepherd.

(Episcopal)
Holy communion at 7:30. Sunday school at 9:30. Morning prayer at 11. Subject of the rector's sermon "A Modern Substitute for Christ." Evening prayer at 7:30. Sermon subject, "The largest invitation ever given." Everybody welcome to the services of this church. All seats are free. You will enjoy a hearty responsive service and the splendid singing. Rector's Bible class at 9:30. Come and take part in the discussions. FRID T. DATSON, Rector.

First M. E. Church, South.

We want to make Christmas Sunday the best and the happiest of all the year. Let's make every service of the day a great one. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Announcements for the Christmas tree next Friday night will be made at this time. Every member should be present. Preaching by the pastor at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The morning theme: "The Message of Christmas!" Evening theme: "How to have a happy Christmas." The choir will give their Christmas cantata at the evening service, which will be the best that they have ever given. The program follows: League song at 6:30. Our Christmas prayer evening will be held next Wednesday evening. There were 74 last week and we all agreed to work for a regular attendance of 250. Come next Wednesday night.

First Baptist Church.

Sunday school at 9:30. The announcements for the Christmas entertainments will be made Sunday morning also the time for the treat. Don't fail to come so you will know all about it. Parents be sure and send your children so they will know about it. It will be wrong to let them miss it, this is a great day for the children. We want all the grown up folks to come and encourage the children. Christmas sermon by the pastor at 11. There will also be special music by the large choir; don't miss it. We are counting on having a great evangelistic service at the evening hour, 7:30, subject, "He missed his chance or Hannibal at the gate of Rome." Alliance Monday at 3 at the church in monthly business meeting. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7 in the place of 7:30. Dr. S. P. Brooks of Waco will be with us and speak at the prayer meeting then we will all go with him to the high school where he is to lecture to the teachers. Don't fail to hear Dr. Brooks; he is one of the greatest laymen in Texas today. ROSCOE C. MILLER, Pastor.

Lutheran Trinity Church.

(11th and Bluff Sts.)
German services at 10 a. m. The services will be led by one of our elders as the pastor has been appointed to officiate at the dedication of a new Lutheran church at Granite, Okla. Sunday school will be held after the morning services. At two o'clock in the afternoon the Sunday school teachers and children will meet at the church to rehearse the Christmas program. The choir will meet Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. Everybody is cordially invited to worship with us. P. A. BRACHER, Pastor.

At the Free Methodist Church.

(306 5th St.)
Sunday school at 9:45. Preaching at 11, by the pastor, Rev. T. L. Ensey. Also every Sunday night. Prayer meeting Tuesday evening at 7:15. The Free Methodist Junior society meets every Sunday at 2:30 p. m. You are invited to attend these services. CHURCH REPORTER.

Christian Church.

Christmas time is here. These two last Sundays in the old year will be especially observed by the Christian Church people. This week will bring special anthems by the choir and the Christmas sermons by the pastor. The last Sunday morning will be provided any financial shortage, so 1915 may be closed out of debt. The evening will

be given over to young people for a Christmas Cantata. Friday Christmas Eve; the childrens exercises with a Christmas tree and treat for the little ones, will be held in the basement. We urge all members of the church and Bible school to come with their friends to these first services Sunday. Bible school at 9:30; prayer circle at 9:15; let every teacher be present on time. Juniors at 3:00 p. m. Intermediates at 6:30 p. m. Christian Endeavors 6:30. Prayer meeting at Christmas topic led by J. W. Bradley. Morning Christmas sermon topic: "The Future Christ." Evening sermon: "The Wisdom of God." Special music at these services by the trained choir. Come with your friends, bring the strangers with you. Services begin at 10:40 and 7:30. F. F. WALTERS, Pastor.

First Presbyterian Church.

The First Presbyterian Church will have Rev. C. B. Newsom, A. M., B. D., of Trinity University to preach morning and evening. The pastor expects to return by Tuesday in time to conduct the Wednesday evening prayer meeting.

Church of the Nazarene.

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. S. L. Williams, superintendent. Be sure and attend Sunday school and every one on time with a good lesson. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. A hearty welcome to all who attend these services. JAS. N. COOPER, Pastor.

Christian Science.

Services are held in the church edifice, corner Ninth and Lamar as follows: Subject "Is the Universe Including Man, Evolved by Atomic Force?" 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.

Suits have been filed in the county court as follows: Lochridge and Denny vs. J. I. Case Threshing Machine Co., certiorari; Sidney Webb vs. Reese Allen et al, debt; E. L. Holloway vs. J. R. McMullin, debt; Estelle Howard et al vs. Southern Telephone and Telegraph Co., damages; J. J. Norton vs. Karl Goetz, damages.

BURGLARS ACTIVE FRIDAY NIGHT, VISIT FIVE PLACES

Secure Nothing of Great Value, However—Tailor Shop is Principal Loser

Five burglaries were reported in the downtown district Friday night, the places being Gupton's tailor shop, the Home Tailoring Company, J. S. Bridwell's real estate office, Pond's Laundry and the Piland and Davidson meat market in Parker's grocery on Indiana avenue. At each of these places entrance was gained by breaking a rear window or transome. At Gupton's tailor-shop the door of the safe was pried open, a box containing the cash extracted and the end of the metal cash box cut open and \$17.50 in cash taken. In Bridwell's real estate office a futile attempt was made to pry open the inner safe door with a shovel; the outer door having been left unlocked. Being unsuccessful in this the burglar pulled out all the drawers in Mr. Bridwell's desk and scattered them over the floor. Nothing of value was missing here. The burglar threw up on the floor of the office and left an empty whiskey bottle. About fifteen gallons of gasoline was taken from a tank at the rear of the Home Tailoring Company's shop on Seventh street. An employee of the shop who sleeps there heard a noise but supposing it to be a dog or cat did not get up to investigate. At Parker's grocery on Indiana avenue entrance was gained through the transome over the rear door. The cash drawer of Piland and Davidson's meat market which occupies a part of the store room was opened and \$1.65 in small change was taken. A strip of bacon was also taken. It was not known whether any groceries had been taken or not. A brick was used to break open one of the windows at the side of Pond's Laundry. The brick was found inside the laundry. It will be necessary to go over all the laundry lists before it is known what, if anything, was taken.

FOUNDRY GETS CONTRACT FOR FRISCO'S BRASS WORK

The Wichita Falls Foundry and Machine Company has closed a contract with the North Texas lines of the Frisco to furnish them with brass foundry work for another year. J. V. C. T. Christensen, president of the company closed the contract with Frisco officials in Fort Worth. The contract means about \$15,000 business a year for the local concern.



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Reductions that are real, and at a time when the saving opportunity should be the more appreciated.



Come early Monday and make your selections before the stock is picked over for these goods will go.

MEN'S AND BOYS' SUITS	
\$30.00 Men's Suits, now for only	\$22.50
\$25.00 Men's Suits, now for only	\$18.75
\$20.00 Men's Suits, now for only	\$15.00
\$18.00 Men's Suits, now for only	\$13.50
\$16.50 Men's Suits, now for only	\$12.40
\$15.00 Men's Suits, now for only	\$11.25
\$10.00 Boys' Suits, now for only	\$7.50
\$7.50 Boys' Suits, now for only	\$6.35
\$6.00 Boys' Suits, now for only	\$4.50

HAND BAGS, SUIT CASES AND TRUNKS	
\$25.00 Values, in Reduction Sale go at	\$18.75
\$20.00 Values, in Reduction Sale go at	\$15.00
\$18.00 Values, in Reduction Sale go at	\$13.50
\$16.50 Values, in Reduction Sale go at	\$12.40
\$15.00 Values, in Reduction Sale go at	\$11.25
\$10.00 Values, in Reduction Sale go at	\$7.50
\$7.50 Values, in Reduction Sale go at	\$6.35

MEN'S & BOYS' FANCY OVERCOATS	
\$30.00 Men's Overcoats, now for only	\$22.50
\$25.00 Men's Overcoats, now for only	\$18.75
\$20.00 Men's Overcoats, now for only	\$15.00
\$18.00 Men's Overcoats, now for only	\$13.50
\$16.50 Men's Overcoats, now for only	\$12.40
\$15.00 Men's Overcoats, now for only	\$11.25
\$10.00 Boys' Overcoats, now for only	\$7.50
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HIGH SCHOOL BOYS' CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS FRIDAY

Two Adult Leaders are Selected To Aid in Work—45 Are in Attendance
The organization of a Boys Club in the high school was perfected Friday afternoon with the election of officers and supervisors. Joe L. Mears Jr. was elected president; Leon Patterson, vice president; Edgar Carney, secretary; Thad Bege, treasurer. Two adult leaders were selected by the boys, one from the faculty and one from the business men of the town. J. W. Culbertson will be asked to accept the business men's leadership and Mr. Watkins was selected as faculty supervisor. The next meeting of the club will be held Monday night.
There were 45 boys attending the election of officers and charter membership will be held open until Monday night. At this time the constitution will be passed upon, the club to be affiliated with the state boys' organization under the direction of the Y. M. C. A. This organization follows the visit of John L. Hunter, state secretary of boys' work here last week.

BOOZE CARAVAN IS CAUGHT ON RED RIVER (Randlett Progressor)
Tuesday Sheriff Coleman and his deputies journeyed over from Walters and after a short sojourn here they hit upon the pet idea of making an investigation of the transportation across the Red River bridge near Burk Burnett. Their move was a wise one for the officers arrived at the bridge just in time to meet and halt a regular caravan of automobiles loaded with booze. Sheriff Coleman promptly elected himself master of ceremonies, loaded the liquor into one machine, the ten transporters into the other automobiles and when last seen were headed in the immediate direction of the Hotel de Coleman.

PROMINENT SUFFRAGISTS SEEK ELECTION AS SUCCESSOR TO DR. SHAW.



Dr. Anna Howard Shaw's announcement of her intention not to seek re-election as president of the National American Woman Suffrage Association brought forth a group of several prominent suffragists, any one of whom may succeed Dr. Shaw. The association meets in Washington, Dec. 14 to 19. Mrs. Stanley McCormick, treasurer of the association, is prominently mentioned. Mrs. McCormick lives in Washington, and it is the belief of many of the suffrage leaders that her presence at the capital will mean much to the suffrage cause when the national amendment is introduced. Mrs. Desha Breckinridge of Lexington, Ky., first vice president of the association, also is a candidate for the presidency. Mrs. Breckinridge is a great granddaughter of Henry Clay. Dr. Shaw, who will continue her suffrage activities, favors an eastern woman, it is said, and her name may fall upon Mrs. Winston Churchill, wife of the famous novelist.

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Christmas I Have Met

If I recall my first Christmas correctly, the piece de resistance was a toy train, propelled by means of a string tied to the engine. There was a horn, and a quantity of candy and fruit. The horn lasted an hour and 46 minutes, being survived only a short time by the train. My first Christmas was sprung upon me totally without warning; I woke up that morning and there the toys were. My infantile curiosity was aroused and I finally decided that my parents were establishing the laudable precedent of giving me toys daily; consequently it was with a sense of distinct disappointment that I went to the fire place next morning and found there was nothing doing.

Christmases did not come as often then as they do now, and it was quite a while until the next one. In the meantime I was informed about Santa Claus and his reindeer and when the next Christmas came I hung up my stockings and went to sleep with some difficulty. In certain respects Christmas has not changed for me; I no longer hang up my stockings, but I still believe in Santa Claus and I still go to bed on Christmas Eve with feelings of pleasurable anticipation. This feeling has survived steadfastly. I know that in the morning I will receive some neckties, handkerchiefs and socks; some years this varied slightly and I get handkerchiefs, socks and neckties. The socks are usually No. 7, not by any force or persuasion, to be made to adorn a No. 11 foot, and the ties—but never mind about the ties.

But all the same, Christmas still finds me with a firm belief in Santa Claus and the occasion approaches with pleasurable anticipation afore said. Of course, there was a time when I did not believe in Santa Claus. I believe my older sister was the first to shake my faith in the venerable saint, but perhaps an unduly practical mind had previous to that time questioned the feasibility of one man getting around to all the children. I remember figuring that he would have to go some to get to all the children in the town of 29,000 where I lived, and I knew, of course, that there were other towns to be visited, some of them even larger than my home town. So when my sister confided in me, her knowledge of the fact that there was no Santa Claus, I believed her. It was of a prying disposition and more than once I had noticed that some gift I received Christmas morning bore a striking resemblance to something I had seen secreted in a closet.

Yes, I believed her. And with that assurance that comes of superior knowledge, I started out to enlighten others. I first tried it on my younger sister. She took a bill of exceptions and appealed to a higher authority. My finding was reversed and rendered.

"Mamma," she said, "John says there isn't any Santa Claus."

"Well," pondered the court, "when little boys don't believe in Santa Claus that's a sign he's not going to bring

them anything." I did not ask for a rehearing.

I next tried to impart wisdom to Jim, a neighbor's boy. He was older than I, but his faith in Santa Claus had never been shaken in the least. Consequently, he was horrified and indignant.

"Course there's a Santa Claus," he replied. "Didn't I see him down at the Sunday school tree? And didn't he bring me an argon Christmas?"

"Aw, Santa Claus don't bring you nothin'," I continued, "it's your mamma goes down town and gets them."

"Mamma don't never go down town," he replied, conclusively.

So I let Jim suffer in ignorance, and my own superior knowledge did not mar my enjoyment of the Christmases that came to me. I've noticed since that superior knowledge never bothers you very much on any subject so long as you keep it to yourself.

Little Willie of Eugene Fields' poem, who "just before Christmas was as good as he could be" was no prototype of mine. That was the time of year when I fell from grace—assuming of course that it is possible for a Presbyterian to fall from grace—with more consistency than at any time of the year. I did not mean to be bad then, but temptation and trouble met me at every turn. But I can not say that Christmas day brought me any the less joy on account of it. It seemed to me that those days on the very little tads believe in Santa Claus—I mean the Santa Claus who lives at the north pole. In my day and generation a boy or girl was supposed to be eight or nine years old before his faith began to waver, and there must be quite a bunch of boys that old now, who if they believed in Santa Claus and wanted to ask him for anything, would tell him to make it a package of cigarettes.

The two Christmas days that I recall most distinctively are memorable for very different reasons, in their circumstances, yet each had its mood of tragedy and joy.

I was going home from my work of a morning newspaper, and Christmas day was probably an hour old as I walked the deserted streets in my home. A light was burning in a cottage that I passed, and as I neared the gate I saw an old man standing there. I started on by, but he halted me.

"Young man," he said, "are you in a hurry?"

"No," I answered.

"If you ain't," he said, hesitatingly, "I wish you'd step in here a minute." He paused a minute. "There's going to be a wedding here pretty soon—it ain't the right kind of a wedding, exactly—and I'd like to have somebody for a witness."

Then I saw that what I thought was a stick in his hand was something else, and I knew what kind of wedding it was.

The old man and I entered the house. In a front bedroom were three people, a girl, young and pretty, in the bed; a young man, ugly and sul-

len, sitting nearby; another young man, crying silently and wringing his hands, walking the floor.

A buggy drove up outside and there entered another young man, with tear marks on his grim face, and a preacher. The young man produced the license and the wedding proceeded, the bed-ridden girl and the sullen young man being married. The old man still clutched the shotgun.

The bridegroom, no longer sullen, shook hands with the old man, but the other two young men refused to accept his hand.

"Doncha' worry," said the new-made husband, "I'll be good to her."

"You'd better," muttered someone.

The old man walked to the gate with me, silently. Several times he started to speak, but did not. Finally he held out his hand.

"Thanky, son," was all he said.

But that picture does not linger with me as does that of another Christmas.

A friend and I had decided to spend Christmas day hunting and we started out before dawn to a point about twelve miles from my home. Before we arrived the sun was up and there were sounds and signs of Christmas in the farm homes which we passed.

And then we saw a little boy, probably eight or nine years old, stepping down the road ahead of us. The early morning air was sharp and cold, yet this youngster wore no coat; with hands in pockets he strode briskly along, whistling with all his might. The reason for the absence of the coat became apparent, for the hand-me-down-from-father trousers—worn supported by new suspenders; not merely suspenders, but red suspenders, with shiny buckles. It was cold to me, huddled up in an overcoat and muffler, but that boy needed no coat. His suspenders were the warmest covering the world afforded that Christmas morning.

There were boys that Christmas morning, rising from luxurious beds in comfortable homes, to receive gifts that were lavish and beautiful and dear to a boyish heart; boys to whom a gift of red suspenders would have been an insult. Yet I know that none of them had more Christmas in his heart that morning than that country boy with those red suspenders. That's the one Christmas picture I can never efface.

50c or \$1 Which Are Your Paying?

Only a few months ago we were scarcely known in Wichita Falls, but today we are employing more people than any other cleaning establishment in the city. There is a reason for this—our work is right and our prices are right. We are cleaners, dyers and hat renovators. We know the business and employ only people who know the business and guarantee to please you or no pay. We have an expert in our alteration department who can take your last year's suit and make it look like it was just from New York. If you are not our customer already, give us one trial and be convinced.

Men's Two Piece Suits Cleaned and Pressed 50c
Men's Three Piece Suits Cleaned and Pressed 65c

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Wichita Buick Sales Agency
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Notice!

ALL LAUNDRY CASH AFTER JANUARY 3rd, 1916. Since all drivers are on commission the laundries are carrying no accounts. Please do not ask driver to leave bundles as he will be forced to say NO!
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the fine tests on the composition of the materials which enter into the making of motor cars.

But the weighing of a signature is used to carry to the lay mind the delicacy of the instrument. A piece of paper placed on the balance and accurately weighted and then a name is written on the paper and it is weighed again. The difference in the two weights gives the weight of the name and, as in the case cited above, the weight of a signature of nine letters with two periods was four ten-thousandths of a gram.

Ladies: We are turning out some lovely new suits, top coats, and tailored skirts. Have us call out and take your measure. We guarantee to please you. Phone 1231, Home Tailoring Co., 709 Seventh street. 70-4c

FIVE MORE SHOPPING DAYS AT THE BIG ANTE-CHRISTMAS SALE

This sale has proven the most remarkable event of the kind ever attempted in Wichita Falls. While it was not a money making proposition, coming as it did, just before the holidays and at a time when everybody needed and must have the goods, we believe it has made more friends for the big store than any other effort we could have put forth. The fact that the goods were all new, and of the first grade, and offered at prices much below the regular values appealed to economical buyers. The other merchants no doubt "cussed" us a plenty, but we made good with the people, and that is what we were after.

For This Week Splendid Bargains are Offered



Remarkable Reductions in Ladies' Suits, Coats and Dresses

One lot of Ladies' Suits, values up to \$22.50, in all the styles, are offered now at **\$9.00**
 Other suits are offered at the following reductions:
 \$25.00 Suits **\$18.35**
 \$27.50, \$30 and \$32.50 Suits **\$22.50**
 \$35 to \$45 Suits for **\$31.50**
 \$47.50, \$50 and \$35 Suits **\$34.50**
 These include the very newest models in fur and braid trimmed, broadcloth, velvet, plush, serge, poplin, etc.
 Ladies' afternoon and evening dresses are reduced from one-fourth to one-half.
 Ladies' sport and long coats are reduced 25 to 33 1-3 per cent.
 Every garment is of this season's best style.

Men's Suits and Overcoats Are Cut in Price

Our Men's Department has been a popular place during this sale. Men folk like a bargain as well as the women, and in the special reductions made here, good buyers have realized values such as have never been shown before.
 Men's \$15.00 Suits **\$10.95** Men's \$22.50 Suits **\$17.95**
 Men's \$18.50 Suits **\$13.95** Men's \$25.00 Suits **\$18.95**
 Men's \$20.00 Suits **\$14.95** Men's \$30.00 Suits **\$23.95**
 Men's \$18.50 Overcoats **\$13.95**
 Men's \$20 Overcoats **\$14.95**
 Men's \$22.50 Overcoats **\$16.95**
 Men's \$25 Overcoats **\$18.95**
 Men's \$30 Overcoats **\$23.95**
 Boys' Overcoats \$3.95 to \$5.75. Boys' Suits at 25 to 33 1-3 per cent reduction.



Shop Early This Week — There Will Be a Rush at the End

Here's a Good Gift at Small Cost

Paris Garters, 25c values	19c	Men's Flannel Shirts, \$2 val.,	\$1.49
Paris Garters, 50c values	41c	Men's Flannel Shirts, \$3 val.,	\$1.49
Men's Union Suits, \$1 values,	79c	Boys' Hats in black and blue velvet	
Men's Silk Shirts, \$5 values,	\$2.39	and fancy mixtures, \$1.50 values	98c
All 50c Neckties now	45c	Boys' Rah-Rah Hats, \$1.25 val.	79c
All \$1 Neckties now	89c	Boys' Rah-Rah Hats, \$1 values,	69c
Men's Hose, black and tan, 15c values for	9c	Boys' Hats, 50c values for	39c

Your Choice of Any Trimmed Hat for \$1.98

We have about 50 trimmed hats, of the famous Vogue, Fisk and Gold Medal makes, in lovely patterns and newest shades and styles. These are values from \$5 all the way up to \$18. They all go in one big lot, with choice for only

Choice Monday \$1.98 Choice Monday

All Through the Big Store There Gift Suggestions for Every Member of the Family

LADIES' SILK KIMONAS

Beautiful line of Silk Kimonas, all very much reduced.
 \$4.85 and \$5 Kimonas now **\$3.35**
 \$7.50 and \$7.85 Kimonas now **\$5.20**
 \$8.50 and \$10 Kimonas **\$6.00**
 \$12.50 Kimonas for only **\$8.75**
 Crepe and Cotton Flannel Kimonas, regular \$1.98 values for **\$1.35**
 \$2.38, \$2.50 up to \$2.98 values for **\$1.98**

MISSES' and CHILDREN'S COATS

White, blue and red bearskin coats, sizes 2 to 6, regular \$1.50 values, go at **98c**
 Corduroy Coats, \$2.25 and \$2.50 value **\$1.85**
 Misses Coats of wool mixtures in many different styles and colors, ages up to 14, regular \$2.50 values for only **\$1.75**
 Regular \$4 and \$5 values for only **\$3.35**
 \$5.95 and \$6.95 Coats for only **\$4.48**
 \$7.50 and \$9.50 Coats for only **\$5.98**

LADIES' WAISTS

White Voile Waists, worth \$1.50, choice, **98c**
 Voile and Linen Waists worth \$2.50 at **\$1.85**
 Silk and Crepe De Chine Waists, \$2.85 and \$3.50 values, choice for **\$2.50**
 \$5.50 and \$6.50 Waists, choice at **\$4.90**
 \$7.50 and \$8.50 Waists go now at **\$5.95**
 \$9.50 and \$10 Waists go now at **\$7.00**
 \$12.50 Waists go in this big sale at **\$9.00**
 \$15 values go now at **\$12.75**

LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S SWEATERS

Ladies' Silk Sweaters and Sweater Caps, with Scarf, \$5.00 and \$6.00 values, now	\$2.50 and \$3	Children's Sweaters, \$1.25 values for	90c
Ladies wool sweaters, \$1.50 values for	\$1.20	\$1.50 values, now go at	\$1.25
\$4.00 values, now on sale for	\$2.50	\$2.50 values now go at	\$1.75
\$5.00 values now on sale for	\$3.60	Children's Sets in red and white, \$2.50 values now go at	\$1.75
		\$3.50 values now go at	\$2.85

Our Shoe Department is Offering Splendid Values in the New Style Shoes

Hope Domestic, always worth 10c per yard, our price only **7 1/2c**
 Bookfold Gingham, new fall colors, checks and stripes, our price only **7 1/2c**
 Cotton gloves, pair, 5c—Leather palms, pair, **15c**



Twenty-five pieces of fine wool dress goods, in popular weaves and colors, regular values 50c to \$4.00 per yard, now **HALF-PRICE**

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French Lorraine Is Now World's Largest Cemetery, Graves Everywhere

Pont a Mousson, France, Dec. —French Lorraine is the greatest cemetery in the world. Colonies of dead, marked by lines of crude wooden crosses, lie everywhere under newly formed sod at the edges of woods and thickets and in ravines—German and French. The shifting of battle scenes may be traced by following them. They are thickest there where was fought the great battle for Nancy that began with the retreat of the French from Morhange and reached its climax during the battle of the Marne. The number has been continually swelled since in the fourteen months' struggle in the Woivre and the Vosges.

Saint Genevieve, Essey, the Amance, the Heights of Cuittes, Velaine, Gerbevillers of the Grand Couronne de Nancy, Etain, the Eparges, the Bois Brule, the Bois Apremont, the Bois Saint Mansuy, and the Bois Le Pretre in the Woivre are so many cemeteries nearly all of them with crosses bearing names already illustrious. Liogel Rieun, the post, lies at Essey; Paul Vial, who received a bullet in his heart, in the Saint Mansuy Woods. Among the French buried at Gerbeviller is Jean Martin, one of the most promising pupils of the French Art School at Rome; he fell with the heroes handful of chasseurs that held the Morhange there against 4,000 Germans during the eleven hours. Marcell Drouot is among those who lie at the summit of the Samogneux hill.

The dead lie thickest perhaps at the Loisy Gap. After the Germans had captured Nomeny and Pont a Mousson, they sent a regiment to force this passage between two heights, held by a single company of French infantry. That gap became the tomb of the entire regiment. The cemetery of St. Genevieve is not so dense but far more extended than that of the Loisy Gap. The Germans, forced by the resistance of the company of infantry at Loisy to try to a flank movement around the heights of Saint Genevieve, obtained a success before the heights of Cuittes, where French crosses predominate. It was then, thinking he saw the route opening up for his troops, the Emperor of Germany issued his famous order of the day.

ands of dead, we shall be ready for him again." An estimated proportion of three Germans to one Frenchman buried in the battlefields of the Grand Couronne de Nancy, extending in a semicircle from Gerbevillers to Pont a Mousson on the east bank of the Moselle, naturally takes no account of the thousands of Bavarians dead removed at night by rail toward Metz, after the battle of Saint Genevieve, which decided the issue of the struggle for Nancy; nor does it comprise the heavy death toll of the French in annexed Lorraine just over the frontier in the disaster of Morhange.

The evidence of those who have visited all the battlefields of Lorraine and those who helped pick up the dead after the battle of Nancy tends to the belief that taking the French dead in German Lorraine and the German dead carried from the field of battle, there is no exaggeration in the estimate of three Germans to one Frenchman as the proportion of those killed in the operations in the attack and defense of Nancy.

Pont hands are caring for these cemeteries, even so close to the battle front that the German heavy artillery often rakes up the sod and sends the crosses flying in splinters. Flowers are planted on all the French graves and the tri-color floats over many of them. The graves of the Germans are sacredly protected but not decorated.

RESULTS TELL

There Can Be No Doubt About the Results in Wichita Falls Results tell the tale. All doubt is removed. The testimony of a Wichita Falls citizen can be easily investigated. What better proof can be had? R. F. Redin, proprietor of grocery 1410 Fifteenth street, Wichita Falls, says: "My back had been hurting me for two or three years off and on. The spells came on without warning and it was all I could do to keep going. My back was so lame that I was hardly able to bend. The kidney secretions were too frequent in passage. I used Doan's Kidney Pills when I heard that they were good for such trouble and they cured me." (Statement given June 9, 1908).

On April 3, 1915 Mr. Redin said: "I haven't had to use Doan's Kidney Pills in some years. I still have a great deal of confidence in them, as my present health is due to them." Price 50c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Redin had. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.—Adv't.

"BLACK HAND" LETTER THREATEN BENSER'S GIRL

By Associated Press. Fort Worth, Texas, Dec. 18.—Despite work late last night officers have been unable to discover a clue to the identity of the "black hand" gang that threatened the life of Benser's daughter. The letter said the girl would be killed if \$5000 was not left at a specified spot on a lonely road last night. Officers in large numbers were concealed about this spot last night but no one appeared when Wardlaw arrived. The Wardlaw home is being closely guarded.

PRUDENCE!

You should use the same prudence in buying those Christmas Presents that you use in everyday life. Therefore it behooves you to buy useful and serviceable presents, and there is no place so suggestive as our store for the reason that we sell everything at reasonable prices, although we sell beautiful Rogers or Community Table Silverware, Icy Hot Bottles and Carrier's Aluminum Percolators, Manicure Sets, Pearl Pocket Knives, Safety Razors, Aluminum Cooking Utensils, Automobile Robes, Electric Irons, Heaters, Etc.; Vases and other articles equally as useful and suitable for a Christmas Present at the same reasonable price as we sell any other article of hardware in our store

Remember it is our window that has the Display of Electric Railways, which will be in operation every afternoon and evening until Christmas Eve. We have a nice line of Toys, Wagons, Velocipedes, Air Rifles, Roller Skates, Target Rifles, Carts, Etc.

Wichita Hardware Co.

WE INVITE Father, Mother, Brother, Sister and Children to Become Members of the Wichita State Bank's CHRISTMAS Savings Club. We want the whole family to have the merriest Christmas it has ever known. Every one from father down to the baby can easily carry a Membership in one or more classes. Each will receive a check a couple of weeks before Christmas, and all will have money to buy presents and other things that go to make up the festivities. MAKE IT A FAMILY AFFAIR—LET EVERY ONE BE A MEMBER. Members starting with 5 cents and increasing five cents each week for fifty weeks, get \$63.75. Members starting with 1 cent and increasing one cent each week for fifty weeks, get \$12.75. Members starting with 1 cent and increasing one cent each week for fifty weeks, get \$12.75. Members paying 25 cents a week fixed, for fifty weeks, get \$12.50. Members paying 50 cents a week fixed, for fifty weeks, get \$25.00. Members paying \$1.00 a week fixed, for fifty weeks, get \$50.00. There are no conditions—nor extra costs—all you have to do is to make payments. Wichita State Bank Wichita Falls, Texas

MIDNIGHT CHRISTMAS MASSES IN NEW YORK

By Associated Press. New York, Dec. 18.—Christmas masses may be held at midnight on Christmas Eve in all Roman Catholic churches in the New York arch diocese by permission of Cardinal Farley. The prelate in a letter sent today to all the churches in the diocese says that the permission is given for this year only. This is a return to a custom which was discontinued in this city 25 years ago. It is intended that all who attend the midnight masses shall consider them as designed to bring the attention of the world to the need of peace. The celebration of peace masses throughout the world is in accordance with the desire of the pope to see an end of the present European conflict.

HEAVY DOCKET AWAITING DECEMBER TERM OF COURT

203 Civil Cases To Be Tried, In Addition to Criminal Trials Coming Up. With 203 civil cases already on the docket and with a large number of criminal charges to be investigated by the grand jury with the certainty that a large number of indictments will be returned, the December term of the 78th district court will open next Monday with the prospect of a busy term, despite the fact that the new 78th district court has been in session for a number of months. Of the 203 civil cases on the docket 81 are divorce suits, twelve non-jury civil suits, 128 civil suits on the appearance docket, and two jury civil suits. A number of the cases have been transferred from the 78th district court.

SATROLOGIST SAYS FORD MISSION SURE OF FAILURE

Unlucky Stars in Heavens When Boat Started, Indicating Peril and Disappointment. Special to The Times. New York, December 18.—The stars in their courses are warring against Henry Ford. The planets bode peril to him and failure for his peace ship on this cruise meant to bring a truce in Europe. The famous Jersey astrologer, Gustave Meyer, whose list of realized prophecies includes the assassination of McKinley and the great European war, thus summed up today what the heavens hold for the Ford peace argosy. "Because no mortals, and least of all, Ford's followers—seem able to say what will be the outcome of the Pacific cruise upon which Ford has set out, Astrologer Meyer consented to disclose just what the immortal laws of the planets say on the subject. Meyer cast not only the horoscope of Henry Ford, but of the peace ship Oscar II as well. And the latter sailed away from Hoboken, it seems, at a most unfortunate hour. "As the Oscar II backed into the river at about 3:13 in the afternoon," said Meyer, "the evil planet Mars was posted in the fifth mansion of the heavens, which according to the law of astrology, governs all speculative ventures. Now since Mars is a malefic planet, this greatest of speculative ventures, the peace cruise, is destined to failure. "And Henry Ford's own horoscope but confirms this prophecy. He has by transit the evil planet Mars on the meridian, and this signifies not only that he will suffer considerable loss of prestige during this period, but that his life, also, may be placed in jeopardy. "Moreover, at birth, he had the fortunate and peaceful planet Venus badly afflicted by the erratic and

WE CAN BEST FILL YOUR ORDERS FOR CHRISTMAS GROCERIES

In the grocery line we are well prepared to care for your Christmas wants. Our stock embraces the finest line of fancy and staple goods that the market affords. Many delicacies, relishes and compotes not usually found in smaller cities, have been provided for the Christmas table. We are also carrying a full line of fruits, vegetables, nuts and confections, and will be glad to reserve any of these for delivery on Christmas eve, or at any time you wish. Our capacity in the grocery business gives us the opportunity of buying at the lowest prices, and we in turn give our customers this same advantage, which means a considerable reduction in your grocery bill each month. If you are not already one of our regular customers, we would be pleased to have you give us a trial.

Accounts for responsible parties are carried on a monthly basis, if desired, thus making it more convenient for the housewife to secure the best quality of goods at the lowest possible prices, without the annoyance to do her morning shopping.

We always have fresh farm eggs and butter and country produce.

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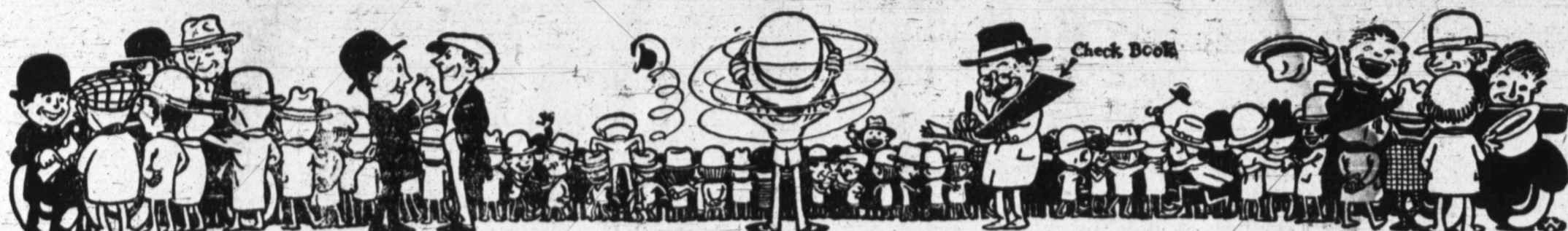
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evil planet brands, which in 1880s that he would be sadly disappointed in any undertakings for the promotion of peace among nations. Of all the warring nations, France and Italy will be most likely to show some degree of hospitality to him, because he was born with the sun in the zodiacal sign Leo, and Leo governs astrologically these countries. "But tho there are various favorable events and mishaps forecast for the peace crusade, most of which will occur before the end of February, the members of the peace party themselves will work hand-in-glove with Ford and will stand by him until the end. This is shown by the fact that the fortunate planet Jupiter was posted in the 11th mansion of the heavens at the hour the ship sailed, and this governs friends. "They will have a very romantic cruise, but because Saturn was in the Zodiacal sign Cancer, opposite its own Zodiacal sign, it signifies that wherever Ford and his party stop abroad they will be in a spot which is more or less hostile and detrimental to their purposes. "Ford will return disappointed about the first of June," Meyer said in conclusion. "There is no use of his hoping to bring any form of peace in Europe at present, for the simple reason that the stars indicate positively that the war can not be brought to an end until July 15, 1917."

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I SAW SIX HUNDRED MEN BUY TWENTY-TWO MILLION DOLLARS' WORTH OF CHALMERS CARS IN FORTY MINUTES

The New Six-30 with 3400 r.p.m. Engine at \$1050

It was an event—history. Not an ordinary dealers' convention. It was a crowd of six hundred human dynamos—the best lot of merchants I have ever seen assembled under one roof.

Mr. Chalmers called the new car the 3400, because the engine turns at a speed of 3400 revolutions per minute.

It is the fastest engine speed ever developed for stock car use in America.

Some cars tune up 2000; some 2200. Others do only 1400. There are one or two that reach 2600, and one that records 3000.

Such super-engine speed means great power from a small motor—a light-weight chassis, and, all told, a live, peppery car. In other words, it does what the big brute of a car used to do—only this new 3400 Chalmers is a lot faster in acceleration and more alert in every way. It is a six-cylinder car—the Chalmers Six-30.

When he told us the price—\$1050, we were dumbfounded.

The stampede began. In forty very short minutes I saw 600 men buy \$22,000,000 worth of those new 3400 Chalmers.

I bought all they would sell me. I wanted more. We all wanted more. We insisted on more—begged for more.

Some recited census figures—others mentioned the increase in wealth per capita in their communities. But it was no use. The Chalmers people said they simply could not build any more.

They took us, then, from the Convention Hall to another large building. A door was opened.

There before our very eyes stood a phalanx of these bright new Chalmers—not one, not two, but hundreds of them.

It was a shock to our optic nerves and to our imagination—but a pleasant one.

For automobile dealers are used to going down to automobile conventions and taking a look at a pretty new model on a pedestal—then going home and waiting three months or more for deliveries. We certainly never expected to see more than one or two finished cars.

Asking for deliveries of a demonstrator before sixty days in previous years was like asking the Rhode Island Red to lay the Golden Egg.

Somebody got up and said that we would find a name tagged on each car and to go and get ours.

It was like sixty football teams going down the field on the punt.

I found my car. I drove her in the big parade—a \$500,000 parade that turned into a \$22,000,000 procession for Chalmers. She traveled all over Detroit on a three-mile-an-hour speed; never buckled once; never heated up.

When the parade was over I got her out in the open and stepped on the little button.

I never before saw such acceleration.

I have felt under foot Brussels and Wilton, but never have I felt real Velvet until now.

It was magnificent.

Then I got out and lifted the bonnet and opened the throttle.

I ran her up and up and up, and the faster the little engine sped, the softer and smoother she ran. I understood then why they called her the 3400 Chalmers.

If there was one single throb left in her, my good right ear failed to record the irregularity.

I put the car over some of my own little hurdles and it gave me back the laugh. I could not tease her a bit.

Then I lost no time in getting her down here in the sales-room. For I wanted my own people to see it—you people. I knew you folks here at home would go wild over her the minute you saw her in action.

When I got back to the Chalmers plant, I got hold of Mr. Chalmers, took him aside and asked him how he could do it for \$1050.

Now, Mr. Chalmers is a man of action.

When the war came, he figured that the price of materials would rise. So he took advantage of a low market and bought.

If he had waited and built this car of materials purchased in the present market, the chances are his cost experts would have put a list price of \$1400 or \$1500 on the car.

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LOCAL TEAM DEFEATED BY THORNBERRY PLAYERS

In Hardly Fought Basket Ball Contest Clay County Youths Win By 15 to 10

The first match game of the season of the boys basket ball team of the high school was played Saturday afternoon, the Thornberry team meeting the locals on the home court. The resulting score was Thornberry 15, Wichita 10. Coach King of the local team expressed himself as be-

ing well pleased with the showing the boys made. A feature of the last half of the game was the entrance of Coach King into the game as guard, Johnson of Thornberry, coach, had been in the game since the beginning.

Basket ball as these teams played it was far from being mild and had all the interest of a well played gridiron contest.

The Thornberry players were: A. Jones, center; Baber and Pharris, guards; Johnson, coach, and Great-house, forward. The Wichita lineup follows: G. Harris, center; Bunnenberg, Weaver, King and E. Harris, guards; C. Murph and Patterson, forwards.

IN THE SPHERE OF WOMANKIND

Contributions to the society columns are invited, phone 1671 or send to this office. Contributions must be in by 12 o'clock to appear in that day's issue. All contributions for the Sunday society page and the Social Calendar must be in by 12 o'clock Saturday morning.

SOCIAL CALENDAR FOR THE COMING WEEK.

Monday, Dec. 20—Ladies Aid of the First Methodist Church will hold a business meeting at the church. The Ladies Aid of the First Presbyterian Church will hold a business meeting at 3:30 at the church.
Tuesday, Dec. 21—The Wesley Girls will have their Christmas grab bag at the home of Mrs. R. H. Gracey, 2108 Ninth street at three o'clock. Mrs. E. L. Smith will be hostess to the Matinee Bridge Club, Mrs. E. B. Wiley will be hostess to the As You Like It Club, The B. S. Club will hold the Christmas grab bag with Miss Mary Wilkes, 904 Broad in the evening; it is urged that all members, both old and new attend.
Wednesday, Dec. 22—The B. O. P. Girls will hold their "Pandora Box" at the home of Miss Gladys Herron, Mrs. T. E. Dobson will be hostess to the New Idea Club. The Modern Crochet Club will meet with Mrs. Hammond, 1415 Fifteenth street. Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Larkin will be hostess to the Merry-makers. Mrs. J. McMillan, 905 Broad will be hostess to the Entre Nous Club.
Thursday, Dec. 23—Misses Ruby Abner and Helen Stone entertain with a Christmas dance at the Westland Hotel.
Saturday, Dec. 25—B. O. P. Girls will entertain at the home of Misses Annette and Mary Coffield.

TRAVIS MOTHERS MEET FRIDAY AFTERNOON

The Travis Mothers' Club met Friday afternoon for the final session before adjournment for the holidays. Devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. Clemmons and Rev. F. F. Walters made an interesting talk, telling how the mothers' clubs are helpful to the home, the school, the children and the community. The next meeting will be announced later.

WICHITA TRAVEL CLUB ADJOURNS FOR HOLIDAYS

The Wichita Travel Club met Thursday morning with Mrs. Wiley Blair, the club president. Roll call was answered with current events and questions on the preceding lesson were asked and answered. Mrs. Blair had a splendid paper on "Warwick and Windsor castles and Mrs. W. C. Bell gave an interesting talk on Buckingham palace. Miss Potter made a talk on "The War of Roses." Mrs. Datson was leader. The club at this meeting adjourned until after the holidays. The members present were: Mesdames Blair, Hamlin, Shelton, Datson, J. W. Akin, G. W. Akin, Urban, Fauntleroy, Bell and Miss Potter.

HIGH SCHOOL ASSEMBLY HAS DEBATE FRIDAY NIGHT

A debate, "Resolved That Lady Macbeth was more guilty than her husband," was the feature of the program of the High School Assembly, meeting Friday at the school auditorium. The decision was awarded to the negative side which was upheld by Carl Swearingen and Joe Cannon. The affirmative stand was taken by Ross Bassinger and Grover Bullington. The judges were Jesse Miller, Thad Beags and Joe Mears. The program aside from the debate consisted of two talks, "The Gary School System," Homer Gentry and "New and Humorous Happenings of High School Life," Albert Fitts.

FOURTEEN WICHITANS ATTENDING UNIVERSITY

Fourteen students from Wichita county are attending the State University at Austin this session, according to the following sent out by the University:
"Wichita county is represented at the University of Texas this year by the following students:
"Bruce Glenn Kirk; Electra; Joe William Akin, Roy Talley Anglin, Dorothy Buchanan Beavers, John Markham Ferguson, Jno. Elemor Jack son Jr., Joseph Kell, Emmitt Chatten McDowell, Otis Eley Nelson; Ralph Kenneth Pond, Ralph Bradford Sisk, Grover Cleveland Turner, Joseph Eugene Ward, Agnes Lucile Zihlman, Wichita Falls.
The University is now in its 33rd session and has registered a larger

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In this assortment are many new and charming models of quality materials in latest colorings. Present prices are decidedly less than regular ones.

\$6.95 to \$8.95 Dresses	\$4.45	\$10 to \$12.50 Dresses	\$6.95
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No woman wanting a hat will fail to be interested in this showing of extremely good looking shapes and trimmings. At regular prices they were good values. At the lowered prices now asked they are bargains in the broadest sense of the word, One-Half Price

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attendance than at any previous time in its history. Twenty-three hundred students are now enrolled at the Main University at Austin. It is likely that the total registration before the end of the session will exceed 2800. Of course these figures take no account of the 1200 students now taking work in the University by correspondence.

UNKNOWN MAN IS FOUND HANGING NEAR CLARENDON.

The body of an unidentified man was found hanging near Clarendon Monday on Battle Creek close to the Armstrong county line. The man is thought to have been dead eight or ten days, having been hanged with a piece of light rope. He is described by the Clarendon News which prints the following about the incident:
Inspection disclosed the fact that the man had probably been hanging there for a week or ten days. He was about 5 feet 8 1/2 inches in height, weighed 155, 25 or 40 years old, dark hair and complexion, and appearance indicated that he had recently had a hair cut and a shave. \$12.35 in cash was found in one of his pockets, besides matches, pencils, a watch, razor, new pair of buckskin gloves, a new Stetson hat, and probably a few other articles were found about his person. He was dressed in a fur cap, overalls, blue coat and heavy mitts. One front tooth was missing. He wore a blue shirt, and his nose crooked to the right.
The man had been wandering around in that vicinity for some time. A party of hunters saw him on Camp bell creek December 1st. When they

came upon him he ran, but later came back and talked to them, making inquiries as to the way to Dalhart. Three weeks ago Sunday he showed up at J. A. headquarters and requested something to eat. He was fed, and Ed Carlson says he was the hungriest man he ever saw. He also appeared at the Howard ranch and talked with Mr. Jordan, asking the way to some place, and stating that he wished to avoid all settlements. Mr. Jordan could not direct him, and told him to go to Walter Culbertson's house, but he didn't do so. The man carried some bedding with him, but not enough to keep a person warm in the weather we've been having. He used a very small rope in hanging himself—about the size usually used to tie a trunk.

Indications point somewhat to the fact that the man was demented, but those who saw him say he appeared to be perfectly sane. It seems positive

that he didn't want company, however, and instead of following instructions as to the way to Dalhart he was found in the opposite direction from where he asked this information.

Real Estate Transfers.

B. B. Ross to J. W. Pond, parts of lots 1, 2 and 3, block 143, \$2500.
J. A. Kemp and Frank Kell to Panhandle Refining Company, 30 acres S. L. B. Jasper survey, \$3000.
R. E. Huff et al to Mrs. Mary Smith, lot 14, block 25, Southland addition, \$450.
Frank Clark to Mrs. Geo. F. Stone, lots 5 and 6, block 65, Iowa Park, \$650.

Invigorating to the Pale and Sickly. The Old Standard general strengthening tonic, GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC, drives out Malaria, enriches the blood, and builds up the system. A true tonic. For adults and children, 50c.

On Christmas Morn

We doubt whether there is any one little thing on earth that will afford an elderly person so much pleasure as to find glasses that will give GOOD VISION after the eyes begin to fail—Something that will make them "See like they used to."

Let us but once get a pair of our glasses on any one and we invite them to "try" others to their heart's content. Such comparisons only bring out the superiority of our glasses and the excellence of our work.

With a pair of our reading glasses you may bring a joyful smile to the kindly face of your good old father, mother, relative or friend. Think and look and read, but you will find no present that will please so well or be of such genuine everyday usefulness as a pair of good glasses—OUR KIND.

A thorough, scientific examination before or after presentation.

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- 35 Dresses, worth up to \$20, your choice of this lot \$10.00
- 25 Coats worth up to \$15 and \$17.50, your choice of this lot \$10.00
- 25 Trimmed Hats, worth up to \$10, your choice of this lot \$1.95
- 50 Separate Skirts, worth up to \$10, your choice of this lot \$5.75
- \$5 Bath Robes at \$3.95
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Wichita Theatre

Monday December 20

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AT THE THEATERS

"ARE YOU A MASON" AT THE EMPRESS WEDNESDAY

John Barrymore in "Are You a Mason?" will be on the Wednesday program at the Empress.

Two scape graces, father-in-law and son-in-law have both hit upon the device of pretending to be Freemasons so as to be able to plead lodge meetings as an excuse for spending their evenings away from home. There is genuine fun in the fundamental relationship of these two mock Masons, each of whom fears detection by the other, and the domestic and comic complications caused by their indiscriminate and inartistic lying provide a fund of humor rarely evidenced in stage or screen comedies.

John Barrymore, as the younger bogus Mason, makes the most of the many humorous incidents in his own wonderful style of comic portrayal, and with a full appreciation of the farcical possibilities of the plot. Others in the splendid cast include Ida Waterman, Charles Dickson and Helen Freeman.

The construction of the film version of this celebrated stage success admits of a number of comic interpolations of episode and character impossible in the presentation of the original play because of the limitations of the oral drama. These additional scenes and personages enhance the comic value of the offering and provide Mr. Barrymore with more material for the side splitting depiction of the young Mason than was contained in the original farce.

motion play productions. Incidentally there is a thrilling foot ball game, a snake dance of five thousand students and unquestionably the most spectacular fire scene ever worked up.

"CARMEN" AT THE MAJESTIC THEATRE NEXT TUESDAY

"Carmen" will be the feature attraction Tuesday at the Majestic Theatre.

Theda Bara, worshipped by the moving picture patron from coast to coast, gives extraordinary vent to her unapproachable genius in the Seville tobacco factory scenes in William Fox's astoundingly elaborate and powerful presentation of "Carmen." The episodes, as staged by Raoul A. Walsh, afford unequal opportunity for the display of Miss Bara's consummate art.

In the great building outside the ramparts near the Guadalquivir, bevy of girls roll the paper cylinders. They chaff and chatter as they work. As they go out for dinner young men pay gay compliments. Carmen—Miss Bara—is attracted by Jose Lizarabengoa, a young, handsome, homesick soldier from Elzondo, employing himself in making a chain of brass wire to sustain his priming needle. The strange and savage gypsy beauty quickly has him under the spell.

Returning to the factory, she is taunted by a girl comrade. Carmen works herself into a frenzy. Her face distorted, her teeth clenched, her great eyes rolling like a chameleon, she springs upon the unfortunate girl. They battle desperately on floor, table and overturned chair. The girl succumbs to Carmen's demonaical strength and as she stretches helpless and half-conscious, while the panic stricken onlookers scream and gesticulate, Carmen jerks her stiletto from her stocking and slashes a St. Andrew's cross on her victim's face.

"BOUGHT" AT THE LYDIA MARGARET THURSDAY

Ethel Grey Terry and Frederick Lewis are featured in "Bought" which will be the Thursday attraction at the Lydia Margaret. A synopsis of the story is given.

Horace Frambers, an impetuous literary man receives the following offer: Helen Talbot, daughter of a rich financier, has trusted her lover not wisely but too well. Her lover went down on the Titanic. If Frambers will marry Helen Talbot and save her name, he will receive \$10,000 and a position in Mr. Talbot's office.

Frambers marries Helen, and the child dies. Mr. Talbot gradually



At the Lydia Margaret Friday, December 24th

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Jesse L. Lasky

Presents the favorite romantic star of two continents—

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In a picturization of the play by William Somerset-Maugham, entitled—

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A great star—a great photoplay—a great production. Tense drama of African adventure and a love story which made this play the favorite of England and America—Lasky surpassed by Lasky in the production—No advance in price.



trusts and likes Frambers; but Helen despises her bought husband and intrigues with other men. So Frambers resigns his position and Frambers returns to his room to die pays her back her \$10,000; deserts from his illness he finds Helen by his side. She loves him and they are made happy by a happiness that has not been bought.

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GEM THEATRE

MONDAY, DECEMBER 20th

"The College Widow"

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and
15c

IN FIVE ACTS
From the Famous Play of the Same Name
By GEORGE ADE

THE CAST:
Dr. Witherspoon Charles Brandt
Mrs. Witherspoon Ethel Clayton
Mrs. Dalzelle Edith Ritchie
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Matty McGowan Howard Missner
Stub Talmadge Clarence J. Elmer
Hiram Bolton Peter Lang
Billy Bolton George Soule Spencer
Silent Murphy George Clark
Tom Pierson Joseph Kaufman
Hiram Hicks Arthur Matthews
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Wichita Theater, Monday, Dec. 20th.

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Entire Spanish cities, castles, palaces, cathedrals, plazas, lakes, mountains, festas, bull ring, armies of soldiers, barracks, prisons, cigarette factories—all are used to make this spectacular masterpiece. So far above all other screen productions that there is nothing to compare with it.

Majestic Theatre

Tuesday, December 21

10c and 15c



10c and 15c

**WELLS MAIMED MEN
HOW TO START AGAIN**

JUDGE CORLEY OF DALLAS WILL
SHOW WAR VICTIMS HIS
METHODS

"GETTING BY" WITHOUT ARMS

Invited By Representatives of Eu-
ropean Nations to Show What
He Has Done

Dallas, Tex., Dec. 18.—County Judge
Quentin D. Corley will go to Washing-
ton Dec. 22, by special invitation to
demonstrate at the embassies of the
warring nations the ease with which
he can use the artificial arms and
hands he invented after both his arms
were amputated.

At the same time Judge Corley will
outline a plan for schools he thinks
the European nations should establish
to teach the maimed soldiers how to
use artificial limbs. As he lost his
own arms at the age of 21 years, Judge
Corley believes the problems he has
solved for himself to be the same that
confront the armless soldiers, who are
chiefly men from 19 to 30 years of
age.

The free use of his patents has
been offered by Judge Corley to the
governments of the nations at war.
This would enable them to manufac-
ture the arms at a cost not to ex-
ceed \$20 each, Judge Corley declares,
and he thinks that the completeness
with which his devices take the place
of his natural hands, enabling him
to wait on himself or attend to busi-
ness duties almost as well as anyone
can, should make the wounded sol-
diers again self-supporting, if they
are equipped with these arms and are
taught to use them properly.

Five Embassies Ask Demonstration.
The French, British, German, Bel-
gian and Austrian embassies have
shown an interest in Judge Corley's
invention and have asked that it be
demonstrated to them.

The successful feature of Judge
Corley's artificial arm is an auto-
matic hook operated by a ratchet
wheel. The lower jaw of this hook is
made of spring steel and the upper
jaw of brass. The bending of each
arm at the elbow operates the ratchet
wheel, which in turn opens the jaws of
the hook. When turned further the
wheel releases and allows the jaws to
close upon whatever object it is de-
sired to pick up.

With this apparatus Judge Corley
can do practically everything that one
can do with natural hands. This hook,
however, is detachable and another
can be attached with which more deli-
cate tasks, such as tying his necktie
or using knife and fork. At the end
of the hook proper is a small appara-
tus which takes the place of the fin-
gers.

His Outline for a School.
Outlining his views on the proposed
school for armless men, Judge Corley
says:

"The problems that I see in the
proper handling of these unfortunate
men are:
"First, taking care of them tem-
porarily; second, supplying them with
the best known appliances; third, in-
teaching them how to use the ap-
pliances; fourth, selecting for each
man a work which he is best fitted for
and teaching him to be self-support-
ing; fifth, finding them jobs that they
can fill and distributing them over the
country."

Pupils Could Make Arms.
Judge Corley's plan is to establish
a temporary home where under the in-
struction of a man competent in the
use of the apparatus the armless pu-
pils will be taught how to use the
arms and then how to earn their own
living.

"A small tract of farm land," he
says, "temporary buildings, as the
school would not be permanent, effi-
cient superintendent, and the work is
started. A large corps of instructors
would not be necessary. One super-
intendent could do the work of instruc-
tion, as each man has the work of in-
struction, and the work could be car-
ried on for the good of the men in the
open where spading and digging could
be done."

"Once started, the attachments for
other men should be made at the
school where a machine shop operated
by the men could be installed. The
method of making the arms at the
school would give employment to the
men already taught and would act as
a great saving to the nation, as the
arms could be made much cheaper
than they could be bought from fac-
tories and much more satisfactorily."

Judge Corley is 28 years old. He
lost his arms in a freight train acci-
dent at Utica, N. Y., when he was 21.
Through his own efforts and inven-
tions he has become since then a suc-
cessful man. He has been for three
years County Judge of Dallas County.
He steers his own automobile and
plays a good game of tennis.

**1000 COWS CHANGE HANDS
IN ARCHER COUNTY DEAL**

(Archer City News)
A cattle deal of considerable pro-
portions was made here this week in
which W. H. Taylor of Holliday
bought 1000 cows and 1000 calves
from L. F. Wilson at \$80 for the
cow and calf. Topping this pur-
chase John Purcell of this city
bought 100 cows and 100 calves from
Mr. Taylor at \$95.50 for the cow and
calf. We are also informed Mr.
Wilson then repurchased 700 head of
the calves from Mr. Taylor at \$30.
Mr. Taylor also secured a lease of
5000 acres of the old 66 ranch south
of Holliday, consideration not stat-
ed, and will in the future establish
headquarters there.

LADIES TAKE CAPUDINE
FOR ACHE AND PAINS
RELIEVES THE NERVOUSNESS ALSO
IT'S LIQUID—NOT NARCOTIC

We Are Going To Make It Interesting

For Jewelry Buyers This Week! We Are Going to Cut the Prices More!

We've got it to do. We started out this season to do more Jewelry business than any concern ever did in Wichita Falls, and we're going to do it. So far the business has been tremendous, but there are only five shopping days left, and if prices will do the work, we're going to make these the most sensational five days that were ever known. Telegraphic orders have brought us lots of new goods, so the selection is just as good as it ever was, and our prices are so much lower than you would place on the goods yourself that can't you resist buying

Sterling Silver, Rogers and Community Silverware, Hawkes Cut Glass, Solid Gold Jewelry, Diamonds, Arlington Solid Ivory, Mantel Clocks--All are Reduced in Price

These Diamond Bargains Will Make You Buy--You Cannot Resist!

A beautiful Sunburst Brooch with 72 small diamonds and one large center stone. The big stone is a beautiful white, weighing about one-half carat, the mounting is solid gold. Its value is fully \$400, but we offer it Monday for **\$237.50**

A two carat diamond, absolutely perfect and of a wonderful color. It is mounted in solid gold Tiffany ring, and is worth \$500. We are going to sell it Monday for **\$369.00**

Gentleman's Solid Gold Ring, with a two carat stone, absolutely perfect, blue white color. It would be cheap any time at \$300. Our price Monday **\$235.00**

No. 632—Pair of Ear Screws weighing one carat, beautiful color, and worth \$150. Our price Monday .. **\$87.50**

No. 637—Pair Ear Screws weighing five-eighths carat, fine color, special price **\$47.50**



Diamond Stud weighing three carats, absolutely perfect, blue white color, can be reset in any shape desired. Is worth \$800. We will sell it Monday for **\$545.00**

No. 642—Pair of Ear Screws weighing one and one-half carats, fine color, and matched. These are worth \$250; our price Monday **\$147.50**

No. 636—Pair Ear Screws weighing five-eighths carat, special price **\$42.50**

Twelve Ladies' Rings, Tiffany and fancy gold mountings, set with genuine diamonds, values up to \$25. Your choice Monday only **\$9.75**

One lot solid gold rings set with genuine cut diamonds, values in this lot up to \$15, your choice only **\$4.85**

Four pair of Diamond Ear Screws, beautiful little stones, a present that any lady would appreciate. Values to \$45. Your choice of this lot **\$18.50**

Hawkes Cut Glass, Water Sets, Liquor Sets, Vases, Wine Sets, Nappies, Trays, Sugar and Cream Sets, Handkerchief Boxes, Puff Boxes, Candle Sticks, Celery Trays, Tooth Pick Holders, Picture Frames, Oil Bottles, Salad Dishes, Salt Dips, Bowls, and many other pieces, all at

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This Is Certainly the Jewelry Sensation of the Year

**Here Are Some Rare Bargains At
\$3.00 Each**

For an extra sensation we have prepared a \$3 window containing many articles suitable for the best gifts, at prices less than half their value: Electric Percolators worth \$10; hand painted caseroles, worth \$8.50; 10 and 12-inch cut glass vases, worth \$10 and \$12; Community silver knives and forks, worth \$8; Sterling silver manicure sets, worth \$10; genuine diamond stick pins, worth \$10 and \$12; solid gold knives, worth \$8.50; solid gold lavallieres set with diamonds, values up to \$15; solid gold cuff buttons, worth \$7.50; Sterling silver teaspoons; mantel clocks; fancy clocks; gold handle umbrellas.

**Our Regular Dollar Day Window Will
Contain Many Bargains**

Christmas time the demand on our dollar window is almost beyond filling, but for this last Monday we have to offer some of the best articles and values ever sold for twice the money. Gold handle knives, coat chains, Waldemer chains, solid gold stick pins, solid gold cuff links, jewel boxes, lockets, ladies' hand bags, cut glass vases, nappies, sugar and cream sets, cologne bottles, men's leather belts, ivory pieces, Sterling silver cold meat forks, cake knives, spoons, ladels, caseroles and many other articles.

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THE CROWNING EVENT OF ALL WINDOW SPECIALS

\$3.00

On display today and for Monday sale, we offer the most attractive window ever shown in Wichita Falls at any time. It is the one great opportunity for Christmas buying, and the last window special before the Holidays.

In appreciation of the splendid patronage of our friends, we are offering the greatest values we have ever given. A greater variety and articles that are just suitable for Christmas gifts. By selecting from this window you can secure more for your money than is possible elsewhere. Included in the display you will find: cut glass, ivory sets, silverware, lavallieres,, chains, clocks, diamonds, ear screws, rings, brooches, etc.

\$27.50

At this price we are showing for Monday sale the most attractive array of diamonds ever witnessed in this city at a similar price. Dia-

monds for half and less than half their regular value. These gems have been taken from our loan department and must be converted into cash. They include gents' rings, ladies' rings, lavallieres, brooches, studs, stick pins, etc., each an article that will make a valuable and appreciated Christmas gift and at a bargain such as you cannot find here or in any city in the state. Don't think of purchasing a diamond until you have a look at our stock. And remember the reputation of this store is behind every gem that we sell.

COME EARLY MONDAY

SEE OUR WINDOWS TODAY

SALE BEGINS AT 8 A. M.

Only Five Days In Which to Do Your Christmas Shopping

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At The Theaters

(Continued from Page 2)

"THE EXPLORER" AT THE EMPRESS MONDAY

Mr. Lou Tellegen, former leading man with Sarah Bernhardt, will be starred in "The Explorer" the Monday feature on the Empress-Paramount program.

Mr. Lou Tellegen will appear as Alec McKenzie, the explorer. He is commissioned by the British government to make explorations in British Africa and to stop for all time the negro slave trade. He takes to Africa with his party a youth who is brother of the girl whom the explorer loves. The boy, George Allen,

disgraces himself at home and incurs the enmity of the native blacks, imperiling the lives of the members of the expedition. In shame George offers himself as the last resistance against the enraged blacks and he dies in honor, allowing the other members of the party to escape.

The explorer returns with the secret of the disgrace untold. James Neill, Dorothy Davenport, H. B. Carpenter, Tom Forman and others appear with Lou Tellegen.

"SEVEN KEYS TO BALDPLATE" IS TOMORROW'S ATTRACTION

Beyond all doubt the most appealing play of the day is George M. Cohan's mystery farce "Seven Keys to Baldplate" which will be presented at the Wichita Theatre next week. It was the success of one season in

Chicago, and New York. "Seven Keys to Baldplate" is absolutely different from any play that American amusement seekers have ever seen. It combines mystery and melodrama, woven through a story that is vividly real and therefore, intensely thrilling, in an atmosphere first comic, then serious, and back to comic again, until the onlooker decides Mr. Cohan is propounding a puzzle. At any rate "Seven Keys to Baldplate" keeps one guessing and laughing for two hours and a half, and if that is not the correct interpretation of healthy enjoyment, what is?

The story of this play has to do with William Hollowell Magee, a writer of blood curdling fiction, who has resolved to get away from the literary style that has made his name synonymous with thrills. To do this he decides to look for a solitary spot, and meets a friend who owns

a summer hotel called Baldplate Inn. This friend wagers him that he cannot write a 10,000 word novel in 24 hours and the bet of \$5,000 is accepted. Magee goes to Baldplate for his work and it is in the dead of winter.

When the play opens Magee is seen arriving at the inn, situated on the top of a mountain, in a snow storm, and is received by the caretaker, who prepares the place for him, and departs after giving Magee the key to the front door, the only key, he says to the hotel. But events prove there are six other keys, as Magee finds, when he is interrupted by a most unusual series of incidents, and it is these incidents and the results which hold an audience enthralled until the end which comes with a denouement that is absolutely unexpected and most original.

BURTON'S COMEDIANS HOLIDAY ATTRACTION

Starting Tuesday night, December 1 and continuing all week, with a new play each night and a special Christmas matinee, Burton's Comedians will be the holiday attraction at the Wichita Theatre.

This company numbers twelve actors, three vaudeville acts and a first class band and orchestra. A special feature is made of the admission price being 10 cents for children and 25 cents for adults for any seat in the house. The opening play Monday night is "When a Woman Loves" with vaudeville between each act. To introduce the Burton Company, the management will admit ladies free Tuesday night, that is, two ladies or lady and escort, being admitted on one paid 25 cent ticket but both free and paid ticket must be reserved at the Rexall drug store before 7 p. m., Tuesday Dec. 21.

"THE FRAMEUP" AT THE LYDIA MARGARET MONDAY

"The Frameup" an exceptionally interesting drama of political circles is to be on the Monday program at the Lydia Margaret. The picture is in five reels.

George Fawcett, who plays the role of Luke Simms, the honest politician, has had one of the busiest and most successful careers of any of the stars of the speaking stage. He has left his mark on the hall of theatrical fame, both in this country, where he is best known, and in England, where he has appeared many times with unflinching success. Not only an actor and stage director, but as manager, producer and impresario he has earned his spurs. As a stock star and manager of stock companies he is known in half a dozen cities of this country.

Perry and Wilson's grocery on Tenth street was broken into Friday night. Entrance was gained through the transome. Little if anything was taken.

LYDIA MARGARET

THEATER

NOW SHOWING PICTURES EXCLUSIVELY OF THE BEST—

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UNIVERSAL BROADWAY FEATURES present The Great Dramatic Actor

George Fawcett

"The Frame-Up"

A Powerful Story of a Mayor who couldn't be bought of a boss who could not buy and a woman who would not sell. MONDAY, DEC. 20th

"The Frame-Up"

An original political drama by Otis Turner. The story of a mayor who drank buttermilk and who was not afraid of the Boss. A powerful political play of low crime in high places. The beautiful story of a woman who longed to be good and who finally achieved her heart's desire.

"BOUGHT"

Terse but curiosity-provoking is the title of the five-part photoplay which World Film Corporation is presenting. Who or what is bought? And why? And the price paid? These questions naturally occur to any "movie" fan who sees a film play announced for presentation under this caption. From this situation a series of very dramatic situations proceeds, and the photoplay is thus full of excitement and interest.

"My Madonna"

How Lucille, a beautiful woman of the Half-World, becomes the inspiration and then the wife of Robert, a poor artist, whose paintings of the Madonna wins him fame and fortune. How the waning of his love is followed by direst misfortune, from which he is saved by his neglected wife's devotion, and how the two are reunited at last before the painting that first brought them together; forms a story of unusual and compelling interest.

Extra Special Attraction This Week and Throughout Christmas.

WORLD PROGRAM

WORLD FILM CORPORATION presents

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"BOUGHT"

A Sensational Drama of Wall Street Speculation. A complex problem—an experiment in Matrimony. A SHUBERT FEATURE THURSDAY, DEC. 23rd

METRO PROGRAM

POPULAR PLAYS AND PLAYERS present

The Superb Emotional Actress Miss Olga Petrova

"My Madonna"

"From the Spell of the Yukon" and other poems by ROBERT W. SERVICE. FRIDAY, DEC. 24th

Picture Framing -- AT -- Lowest Prices

Our picture department has been tremendously busy the past week, but we are still able to show you a complete line of mouldings suitable for any subject, and to turn out your pictures in time for Christmas.

We would be pleased to show you our line of mouldings. It embraces most of the new patterns in gold, oak and brown designs, in many widths, with mattings to match, if desired.

OUR PRICES ARE VERY REASONABLE

We also carry a select line of etchings and prints of the world's masterpieces, as well as more popular subjects and posters for dens, libraries, bachelor quarters, etc. We invite your inspection.

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Miscellaneous Wants

WANTED—To buy \$10,000 worth of second-hand furniture and stoves. —Connell Bros. 79-11c
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WANTED—To buy all kinds of second hand furniture. Phone 783. 21c
WANTED—To buy second hand furniture and stoves. We buy anything and everything. Wichita Furniture and Second Hand Store, 908 Indiana, phone 528. 14-11c
WANTED—All damaged furniture in Wichita county to repair. James & Clark, 703 10th St. phone 2174. 47-11c
WANTED—A few monthly or weekly at housekeeping and sleeping rooms at 700 Austin; new management. 83-11c
WANTED—By couple without children apartment or small house furnished for housekeeping, in desirable neighborhood. State full particulars when answering. Address "300" care of the Times. 48-11p
WANTED—To do your carpenter work. No job too small or too large. Work guaranteed. Price one-third less than anyone. Phone 1880—Banks. 45-11p

For Sale—Miscellaneous

FOR SALE—Ford touring car; cash; no trade considered. See car at Jamison Implement Co. 83-11c
FOR SALE—Ford car, 1914 model, seat covers, fine shape, \$290. cash, if sold at once. Phone 740. 87-31c
FOR SALE—very reasonable, an up to date millinery shop, well established business, best location in town of 5,000 population. Good opportunity for clever milliner. Box 27, Wichita Falls. 88-31p

For Sale—Farms and Ranches

FOR SALE—Farms of all sizes and prices. H. Sonnemaker. 64-26c
FOR SALE—The cheapest little farm in the country—150 acres, 9 miles from Wichita Falls; a real bargain, will take second hand auto as part payment. See us at once. Marlow & Stone. 83-61c
FOR SALE—Valley farm of 267½ acres, six miles west of Petrolia, five miles south of Charlie; two 4-room houses, good water, lots of pecans; has made 30 to 40 bushels of wheat per acre, can be irrigated from lake in pasture. For terms see owner—P. M. Hill, Wichita Falls. Phone No. 414. 87-31c

Financial

FARM LOANS AT 8 PER CENT—I am the personal representative of Charles Baird, a Kansas City banker. Want choice farm loans in Wichita, Clay and Wilbarger counties; \$2,000 and upward, 8 per cent; smaller loans slightly higher rate. I pass on the security. Judge Hughes passes on the titles. Money paid when papers are signed. Come in and see me. CHAS. O. ERWIN, Office with Judge Hughes, over McClurk's, Wichita Falls.

For Lease

FOR LEASE—200 acres Wichita River farm. W. E. Frieze. 74-11c

Situations Wanted

POSITION WANTED—Grocery salesman, 9 years experience. J. L. Richardson, 1807 Poik St. 83-61p
WANTED—Position by young man as bookkeeper or stenographer, or both. Have had five years experience. Am married man and want something permanent. Good references. Address Box 263, Abilene, Tex. 85-61p
WANTED—Position in hotel by man and wife. Phone 2029. 87-31p

For Sale—City Property

FOR SALE or RENT—My home corner 11th and Grace Sts. Phone 545 J. F. Blair. 85-11c
FOR SALE—My home at 1100 Monroe avenue. Phone 247. 88-31p
FOR SALE—A bargain in a modern new home, all conveniences, if sold before New Year's on car line, 9th street Floral Heights. If you are looking for desirable home it will pay you to investigate. See owner or phone 666. 88-31p

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For Rent—Housekeeping Rooms

FOR RENT—Two unfurnished rooms on car line, modern. 1617 9th. Phone 2055. 73-11c
FOR RENT—Furnished housekeeping rooms, 1406 Broad. Phone 244. 77-11c
FOR RENT—Two furnished housekeeping rooms, 1510 10th St. Phone 1513. 82-11c
FOR RENT—Furnished light housekeeping and sleeping rooms 1305 11th St. and 700 Austin. Phone 1702. 83-11c
FOR RENT—Light housekeeping rooms in suites to suit you. Phone 1702 83-11c
FOR RENT—Two or three unfurnished modern light housekeeping rooms. 1605 11th St. 86-61p
FOR RENT—Three modern furnished light housekeeping rooms, 907 15th St. 86-31c
FOR RENT—Three unfurnished rooms to reliable parties. Apply 810 8th St. 87-21p
FOR RENT—Light housekeeping apartment, convenient, 810 9th St. 87-31c
FOR RENT—Two furnished light housekeeping rooms, modern, close in 413 Scott. 87-31c
FOR RENT—Two nicely furnished housekeeping rooms on car line, rent reasonable, 2109 Ninth street. Phone 1665. 88-61p
FOR RENT—Two unfurnished rooms for light housekeeping, modern, front and back entrance, 1513 15th street. Phone 1551. 88-61c

For Rent—Houses

FOR RENT—Several houses. See E. B. Goralina. Phone 729 or residence 62. 122-11p
FOR RENT—Cottages. Phone 244. 48-11c
FOR RENT—The Labor Council hall, 607 Ind. Ave. Apply A. J. Seitz. Phone 1790 or 795. 63-11c
FOR RENT—Nice five room house, all modern, \$22.50. J. S. Bridwell. 78-11c
FOR RENT—Modern 5 room cottage, 2104 9th street, phone 526. 82-11c
FOR RENT—Six room house, at 804 Travis, call 1600 after 2 p. m. or see J. O. Bentley. 82-11c
FOR RENT—House at 707 Travis, freshly papered and painted. W. E. Frieze. 85-11c
FOR RENT—Five room house, never been occupied, 711 Holliday St. 86-11c
FOR RENT—5 room house close in, modern in every respect, to right party. Must be permanent renter. Phone 188. W. E. Clark or call at 312 Lamar. 86-31c
FOR RENT—Eight room house partly furnished, near car line on Burnett street, A. F. Kerr, phone 40 or 607. 85-11c
FOR RENT—To desirable parties, a nice modern, five room house, hot and cold water, large bath, gas connections to all rooms; on car line, 2011 9th St.; large garden; a desirable place to raise chickens, cross fenced, barn, sewerage paid; \$23.00 per month in advance. Phone 655. 87-21p
FOR RENT—Five room house, never been occupied, modern. Phone 1931. Apply 1416 Eighth. 88-31p
FOR RENT—Modern five room cottage, bath, sewerage connections and closets, large back yard. Phone 608 or call at 804 Burnett. 88-11c

For Rent—Bedrooms

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished room in private family. All conveniences, phone 884. 81-11c
FOR RENT—Bed room at 601 Scott. 84-11c
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FOR SALE or TRADE—Chalmers light six cylinder car, good as new and looks 14, for bargain see us, cash terms, or trade for good city property. H. J. Bachman Fire Insurance. Phone 157. 88-11c
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LOST—A pair of ladies nose glasses, twine string attached, between corners 7th and Scott and 497 Lamar. Finder leave at Times office for reward. 88-31p

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PREPAREDNESS
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A. L. HUEY, Real Estate
 Office 604 Eighth St. Day Phone 1478; Night Phone 1898

3rd, 1916, at 4 p. m. for the purpose of electing a board of directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as might properly come before said meeting.
REBEA HOWARD,
 Sec. and Treas.
 \$24-11c

Notice. Annual stockholders meeting of the Wichita State Bank of Wichita Falls, Texas, will be held on the 2nd Tuesday in January, 1916, at its banking house in Wichita Falls, Texas, same being January 11th. This meeting is called for the purpose of electing Directors for the ensuing year and such other business as may come before said meeting.
W. W. GARDNER,
 Cashier.
 184-11c

WICHITA COUNTY OLD SETTLERS ORGANIZE
 BY LAWS ADOPTED AND OFFICERS ELECTED AT MEETING AT IOWA PARK
DR. REED MADE PRESIDENT
 Next Meeting Will Be Held in March—Association Plans to Hold Picnic Annually

Permanent organization of the Wichita County Old Settlers Association was perfected at a meeting at Iowa Park Saturday afternoon. The meeting was attended by about one hundred citizens of the county, most of whom had been residents more than twenty years. Dr. J. F. Reed of this city who was chosen temporary chairman at a meeting held two weeks ago presided. By-laws were adopted and the following permanent officers were elected:
 President—Dr. J. F. Reed.
 Vice President—A. L. Brubaker.
 Secretary—Treasurer—Ed Napier.
 Meetings will be held every four months and it is planned to hold an annual picnic. The next meeting will be held in March, the exact date and the place to be selected by the executive committee. A committee was named at yesterday's meeting to arrange a program for the March meeting. This committee comprises the following: A. E. McCleskey, J. A. Tanner, A. F. Kerr, Mrs. Dale Brown and Mrs. Cain.
 The by-laws of the association provide that residents who have lived in the county twenty years or more are eligible for active membership. Others will be eligible for honorary membership. A membership roll will be opened here.
 Hon. P. B. Cox of this city delivered an address at the meeting Saturday. Dr. Reed, Mr. Cox and Mr. Napier were the Wichita Falls representatives in attendance. Those who joined the association at the first meeting held December 4th follow:
 Mrs. N. E. Banta, Billa Banta Pfankter, Retta Chilton, Martin L. Banta, Ruby Sanda, B. N. Ferguson, Mrs. B. N. Ferguson, V. B. Ferguson, Mrs. Nora Ferguson, Mrs. Pearl Lillie Ferguson, Mrs. W. D. Smith, William Fisher, Mrs. William Fisher, J. A. Fisher, Clint Fisher, Hays Fisher, Mrs. Grace Fisher, Jennings Fisher, Bunn Fisher, W.H. Fisher, Arthur Fisher, Mrs. Nellie Fisher, David Fisher, Frank Fisher, Marion Potter, J. A. Putman, Mrs. Mary Putman, L. V. Denny, Mrs. L. C. Denny, Mrs. Maggie Denny, Mrs. Denny, Miss Gertrude Denny, Walter Denny, James Van Horn, M. J. VanHorn, R. F. Abernathy, Mrs. R. H. Cornforth, George Mills, W. D. Odgen, Margaret Odgen, Mrs. C. B. Bledsoe, Edmit Bledsoe, Walter Bledsoe, Buck Bledsoe, Cap Bledsoe, Mrs. Joe Helton, Mrs. A. C. Henson, Mrs. J. H. Warren, Mrs. Clark Jones, Luke Warren, Lester Warren, J. Fred Warren, Mrs. Julie Akers Cain, Mrs. M. Akers Tanner, Mrs. Belle Crites, Miss Elba Crites, Locke Lowrance, N. L. Lowrance, Clara Lowrance, Mrs. N. L. Lowrance, Gale Lowrance, D. B. Smith, Mrs. Nannie Kildow Smith, C. A. Peterson, J. N. George, Mrs. Sarah George, Mary Etta Bell Thompson, J. B. Bell, A. P. Kerr, C. R. Kerr, Amelia Kerr, Phillip Kerr, Mrs. Ella A. Kennedy, Miss Martha Brubaker, J. Fleetwood Reed, Mrs. Josie Reed, C. A. Creamer, Mrs. M. E. Creamer, Myrtle Creamer Prator, Miss Londa Creamer, Mrs. Clara Creamer, Miss Golda Creamer, A. A. Honaker, Mrs. Mag Honaker Brewer, Will Honaker, Mart Honaker, Sam Honaker, Alice Honaker, Adolph Freis, Mrs. John Freis, O. H. Crites, G. L. Hester, C. Birk, Mrs. Lucy Birk, A. B. Womack, Mrs. Mammie Dale Brown, Elba Dale, Mrs. Daley Dale Givens, Mrs. H. B. McKinney, W. H. McKinney, Charles McKinney, Elmer McKinney, Nell McKinney, G. L. Troutman, Hattie Love Troutman, Blanche Kierst Hall, Mrs. L. Troutman, Miss Miss Troutman, Noel Troutman, Walter Willard, T. Corridor Sr., Margaret Corridor, Mrs. Marion Potter, Lena McKinney Williams, Mrs. Jim Ralston, Mrs. D. K. Harbour, Dr. J. A. Deakin, Mrs. Addie Cottrell Harris, Mike Cain, Mrs. M. J. Cain, Mrs. Ona Cain Wallace, Mrs. Eugene Farmer, Mrs. N. E. Farmer, Mrs. M. L. Henriks Mrs. J. R. Pace, Mrs. Lura Flemons Willard, D. K. Harbour, J. C. Ralston, J. B. Winfrey, Mrs. J. Winfrey, J. M. Winfrey, Aaron Brubaker, J. N. Smith, A. D. Butcher E. E. Willard, Mrs. Ida Ralston Sampson, Mrs. Kate Ralston Piegson, Mrs. M. A. Jackson Dowling, Mrs. Mattie Parker, R. S. VanHorn, W. E. Thompson, Lee Allen, C. H. VanHorn, Royal Smith, James Ralston, Russell Ralston, R. C. Henson, J. W. Matthews, Mrs. Minnie Creed Nail, Dan Hooks, J. R. Pace, W. F. George, G. T. Akers, W. VanHorn, Geo. Butcher, John J. White, J. A. Tanner, Eugene Farmer, E. A. McCleskey, Mrs. Martha Apple, Mrs. J. N. George, Mrs. B. B. Smith, J. B. Sisk, Mrs. J. B. Sisk, Orville Mills, Emma Weath Heiserman, Ed Heiserman, Maggie George-Culbertson, Albert Johnson, Mrs. N. D. Clark, A. L. Brubaker, Mrs. Ellen Johnson, Mrs. Matilda Johnson, J. Cobb, Mrs. A. J. Hester, Robert Brubaker, N. G. Zink, A. J. Hester, R. Hines, P. G. Kildow, C. S. Fields, S. J. Crites, J. W. Morgan, C. L. McCullough, Mrs. M. P. Yeager, Mrs. Mandah Brubaker.

ELECTRA GIRLS WIN IN BASKET-BALL GAME
 Defeat Wichita Falls Girls in Fast Game on Local Grounds By Score of 9 to 7

In a well played and fast game the Electra basket ball team of the high school girls defeated the Wichita high school team Saturday afternoon with a score of 9 to 7. The game was played on the local high school court. Miss McNaught, the Electra coach and Bert E. McClamery were the officials of the game. The game was a close one, the score being tied at several different times.
 The Electra lineup follows: Hett Sheldon, captain, center; Nina Straws and Ruth McDonald, guards; Myrtle Christians and Viola Straws, forwards; Jauntha Calhoun, center. Wichita's lineup included: Genevieve Mudd and Gayle Crawford, centers; Josephine Kent and Beatrice Watts, forwards; Louise Leicham and Octavia Zetschke, guards.

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MASON COUNTY POSSE AFTER NEGRO BURGLAR

By Associated Press.
Brady, Texas, Dec. 18.—A posse composed of several hundred citizens in pursuit of a negro burglar, who Thursday entered the home of C. Hill at Wardrup and shot Mr. Hill dangerously has struck no definite trail of the fugitive. The negro was first seen to flash a light in Mrs. Hill's face causing her to scream. Her husband immediately pursued the negro who ran to the yard and when overtaken, shot Mr. Hill. Sheriff Wall and County Judge Harvey Walker yesterday went to the neighborhood of the affair and attempted to arrest Otis Haywood, a negro, who resisted. Several shots were fired but the negro escaped.

"GIVING CHRISTMAS" IN SUNDAY SCHOOLS

NEARLY ALL WILL SEE THAT POOR AND NEEDY ARE SUPPLIED

SEVERAL PLANNING CANTATAS

Special Musical Programs Are To Be Held in Connection With Christmas Trees

The principle of "Freely ye have received, freely give," will be followed by the churches of the town in their Christmas celebration, all of the Sunday schools to have a "Giving Christmas." In some of the churches quite elaborate plans have been made for the Christmas Eve celebration, a cantata or pageant to take the place of the usual program of songs and recitations in several instances. A few of the churches will have a Christmas program both on December 24 and the Sunday following Christmas day. The M. E. Church, South, will give a sacred Christmas concert tonight at the church and Friday evening will have a Christmas tree, for the Sunday school scholars. Offerings for the poor and a treat for the scholars will be the order and the program will consist of songs and recitations. "A Christmas Mystery Play," a Christmas pageant depicting the Biblical story of the prophecy and fulfillment of the Savior's coming will make up the program of the Christmas Eve observance of the First Presbyterian Sunday School. A Christmas tree, a treat for the children and an offering for the poor will follow the presentation of the pageant. The First Baptist Sunday school is planning an elaborate pageant for Christmas Eve, the story of the Christ Child's birth to be told in tab-leau form by the children of the beginners' primary and junior departments. Sunday night a cantata, "Prophecy and Fulfillment," arranged by Alfred Judson, will be rendered by the best voices from the Sunday school

and choir. There will be a tree Christmas Eve, the church will be decorated in green and white exclusively and in addition to the general offerings to the needy baskets will be taken by Santa Claus to several families who have been singled out for special aid. The Christmas Eve celebration of the First Christian church will consist of the conventional Christmas program with a tree and fruit and candy for the Sunday school scholars. Sunday night the young people of the church will give a cantata, "In David's Royal City." This Sunday school will also remember the poor and unfortunate. The Central Presbyterian Sunday school will have a Christmas tree and a special program. Candy and fruit will be given to the scholars and their offering will go to the Files Valley Orphanage. The Sunday school of the Episcopal church will have a tree at the Parish hall Christmas Eve, and midnight mass will be held at the church with the office of Holy Communion. The Christmas season will be observed with appropriate special music and the needy will be remembered. The First Methodist Church will have a Christmas pageant that will be quite elaborate. Special music in which the entire school will participate will be a feature. There will be a treat for the children and a special offering. The Fourth Street Baptist Sunday school will have a tree and special Christmas program Christmas Eve. Fruit and candy will be provided for the scholars and their offering will go to Buckner's Orphan Home at Dallas. A special midnight mass will make up the Christmas Eve observance of the Catholic Church. Special music will feature all of the services, for the week ending and Sunday. The Catholics expect to hold the Christmas services in the new church edifice.

VERNON'S NEW CHARTER PLANS COMMISSION FORM.
(Vernon Record.)
Provisions of the proposed city charter for Vernon, in case the census shows the population to be more than 5,000, were discussed informally at a meeting of business men at the City Hall Monday night, presided over by Mayor I. S. Sewell. There were some twenty-five or thirty men present and many of them showed a deep interest in the subject under discussion and at the close of the meeting by a rising vote it was unanimously agreed that

Vernon should have a commission form of government and that Mayor Sewell should receive the commendation of all citizens, regardless of their opinion on the charter question, for his active interest in the matter. There were no formal addresses made. Mayor Sewell read the State law, commonly known as the home rule law under which all cities of more than 5,000 population have the privilege of choosing the exact form of their government. Following this some explanations were offered by Mayor Sewell, Attorneys Harry Mason and W. N. Stokes. Just as soon as the census is completed Mayor Sewell will announce the charter commission of about fifty

members with the hope that the charter can be rejected or adopted long enough in advance of the regular city election in April to permit the selection of officers in either event at that time.

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