

BELIEVE LULL WILL BE BROKEN FIRST ON BALKAN FRONT

CENTRAL POWERS REPORTED CONCENTRATING HUGE ARMY FOR OPERATIONS AGAINST FORCES AT SALONIKI.

MORE RUMORS AS TO GREECE

Reported Greece Will Demand Guarantees From Central Powers That Greek Territory Will Not Be Endangered By Advance Of Forces.

By Associated Press. London, Dec. 25.—Dispatches from the continent predict that the holiday lull will first be broken on the Balkan front where the Greek observers believe the central powers are preparing a huge army for operations against the entente. Whether this will take the form of an actual attack on Saloniki or merely an advance into Greece for the purpose of seizing strategic defensive points is a matter of speculation in Athens.

According to one correspondent Greece has definitely decided not to permit the enemies of the entente to penetrate Greek territory unless the central powers guarantee that Greek territory will not be endangered.

According to dispatches from a Serbian source the Germans have established a provisional government at Nish withdrawing all the Bulgarian and Austrian troops and ending Bulgarian-Austrian interference in the administration of Serbian affairs. It is added that proclamations have been issued announcing that the Germans "will respect Serbian nationality."

There has been no news of importance from the British correspondents at Athens and Saloniki since Friday. The Montenegrin official communication states the Austrians are attacking on a front between Montenegro and Serbia, which British observers take to mean a pause in the Austrian campaign against the Ljubi mountain country, presumably to allow the Austrian army to be turned to more pressing matters on other fronts.

A quietness has been put on reports of a huge German peace campaign at Zaria. The German press reports that town of Prince von Buelow and his staff of secretaries of which much has been heard in the entente press in the past few days.

In England David Lloyd-George, minister of munitions is the chief figure for the moment. There is a holiday period for him as he is in the midst of the important work of persuading trade unionists to consent to his scheme of "labor solution." Yesterday he visited the St. Notch factory where his scheme is already in operation and where further developments in this direction are contemplated.

It is announced officially that the armistice scheme which is already in force for men enrolled under the Derby plan has been extended to give the right to wear special armistice to all who have been refused for military service on account of medical reasons.

WILLARD-FULTON BOUT MAY YET BE CALLED OFF

Promoter Burns Says New Orleans Papers Not Supporting It And Wants To Call Bout Off.

By Associated Press. Milwaukee, December 25.—Asserting that New Orleans newspapers are not giving their support to the proposed 20-round bout between Joe Willard heavy-weight champion and Fred Fulton of Rochester, Minnesota, to be staged next March for the heavy-weight championship of the world, Tommy Burns, the promoter, today notified Tom Andrews his local representative, that he desired to call the bout off.

Andrews, replying to Burns, said such a move would be a serious mistake. He said railroads from Chicago and Minnesota points had arranged to run special trains and that indications pointed to a large attendance from the North. Andrews said that if the New Orleans promoters decided not to stage the fight, he (Andrews) would gladly take over the project by offering the boxers a purse of \$25,000 for a ten round bout in February.

"It would be a serious mistake for Burns to drop the project" said Andrews tonight, "Fulton is the best of the heavy-weight challengers today. The substitution of Moran for Fulton would be a poor one. Moran has refused to meet Fulton."

NEGROES ARRESTED FOR HALLETTVILLE KILLING

By Associated Press. Hallettsville, Texas, Dec. 25.—A German farmer named Schwartz, living 17 miles northeast of here was shot and killed in his pasture yesterday evening. Sheriff Houchins placed in jail two negroes, aged 16 and 17, brothers named Miller, charged with the killing. They live on a neighboring farm.

7200 MORE MARINES ASKED BY GEN. BARNETT

Report Of Commandant Made Public—More Equipment is Recommended in Report.

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 25.—An additional 7200 officers and men are needed by the marine corps for adequate performance of its manifold duties, in the opinion of Major General George Barnett, commandant, as expressed in his annual report, made public tonight. Since the policy of the navy's general board has been to keep the corps at one-fifth of the total enlisted strength of the navy Major Barnett recommends the addition at present of only 1500 men sixty officers and twenty-three warrant officers. Secretary Daniels has asked Congress for this enlargement of the corps.

The report shows that General Barnett recommended two brigadier-generals for the corps and that Secretary Daniels has asked for only one in his recommendations to Congress. The secretary also reduced the number of majors asked for, from nine to six. General Barnett recommended appropriation of \$150,000 for purchase of advance base material for the marines. The present equipment, loaned by the ships of the navy, he says, is not up-to-date. He also recommended camps and maneuver grounds for the marines and says a place for the Pacific coast advance base detachment has been found at San Diego, Calif., which can be provided for \$250,000. The report shows that forty-nine persons of the total enlisted strength have qualified as marksmen in rifle practice. The full strength of the corps is 344 officers and 9,979 men, divided about equally between shore and sea duty.

AMERICAN COLLEGE MAN MEETS DEATH IN FRANCE

Member of Ambulance Corps is Killed On Christmas Eve in Alsace.

By Associated Press. Paris, Dec. 25.—Richard Melville Hall of Ann Arbor, Michigan a volunteer driver attached to that section of the American ambulance corps operating with the French army in Alsace was killed Christmas Eve in the performance of his duty. The news was received by telephone today by the American Ambulance committee. Hall was the 21-year-old son of Prof. H. G. Hall of the University of Michigan. He was one of a group of Dartmouth College recruits who entered the ambulance corps last June, and when killed he was driving a Dartmouth College field ambulance. He will be given a military funeral at the front tomorrow afternoon. L. P. Hall, brother of the dead man, who is at present serving in the same section will return at once to Paris.

MOUNTAINEERS THREATEN TO LYNCH A DEPUTY SHERIFF

By Associated Press. Mountain Home, Ark., Dec. 25.—In response to a telephone message from Leaphorn, Wood, mountains, that farmers in that section are threatening to lynch Deputy Sheriff Alonzo Trimble, Sheriff Hurst and a posse left for that vicinity this afternoon. The message said that Deputy Trimble shot and probably fatally wounded Howard Avery, a mountain farmer, this afternoon. According to the message, Avery resisted when the deputy attempted to arrest him and the result was a fight at a Christmas celebration. It is reported Deputy Trimble has barricaded himself in a cabin which is being besieged by armed mountaineers.

FORD PEACE EXPEDITION TO END EARLY IN JANUARY

Will Leave Stockholm Wednesday For Copenhagen—No Definite Plans Prepared.

By Associated Press. Stockholm, December 25.—The members of the Ford peace expedition have held various meetings in an endeavor to arouse a peace sentiment in Sweden. These meetings were not accorded an official character. The Swedish Peace and Arbitration League decided that it was unable officially to recognize the expedition because the expedition came without official recognition in America.

Those who have been in charge of the expedition since Mr. Ford's departure for the United States say they are still without a definite program here. The party will leave Copenhagen Thursday. Information has been received that it will be impossible to go through to the Hague through Germany. Hence this will necessitate chartering of a steamer from Denmark and proceeding to the Hague by sea. The peace mission will end about January 7th, when most of the members of the party will return to the United States.

DOUBLE TRAGEDY IN ARKANSAS HOTEL

By Associated Press. Newport, Ark., Dec. 25.—William N. Hinson, aged 46, shot and killed his wife here today, then committed suicide with the same weapon. The killing occurred in the lobby of the Main Hotel, of which Mrs. Hinson was proprietress. Domestic troubles, it is said, were the cause of the tragedy.

SECURITIES VALUED AT \$400,000 STOLEN

TAKEN FROM MAIL WAGON EN ROUTE TO TRAIN AT WASHINGTON.

TWO NEGROES IN CUSTODY

Are Believed to Have Permitted Robbers to Ride in Wagon and Open Pouch.

By Associated Press. Wilmington, Del., December 25.—Four hundred thousand dollars in stock certificates was stolen from a registered mail pouch here last night while in transit in a wagon from the Wilmington postoffice to the Pennsylvania station. The box contained stock certificates in the Dupont, Hercules and Atlas Powder companies, General Motor Company and railroad companies, to the value of \$750,000, but \$350,000 of the securities were subsequently found hidden in the vehicle.

Albert Johnson, and Earl Johnson, negroes, drivers of the wagon, were arrested today. The men are believed, according to the police to be the tools of the real robbers.

The securities were en route to New York. Some of the stock belonged to the Dupont company and the remainder is the property of brokers. The postal inspectors will not divulge the names of the brokers.

The police believe the negroes permitted the men to ride the wagon, giving them opportunity to cut open the pouch and select the negotiable securities. The two negroes were held in \$3000 bail. The men were not employed by the government but were hired by a man who had the contract for carrying the mail.

SOLDIERS HOME ON LEAVE FEATURE LONDON HOLIDAY

Charitable Activities Extend to the Wounded, Prisoners, Internes and Soldiers' Families.

By Associated Press. London, December 25.—The people of London spent Christmas in a depressing atmosphere of fog and rain. The city was filled with soldiers, many thousands of blood stained veterans from the trenches having received a short holiday leave.

The charitable institutions celebrated the day with tremendous energy; there was ample provision for lonely soldiers, both home and colonial, for the wounded, for prisoners and interned aliens and for the wives and families of the men at the front. The hospitals were bright with flowers and gifts while literally over-run the already over-crowded wards, each patient being allowed two or three visitors at a time. Carol singers and entertainers of various kinds provided amusement at the hospital and entertainment camps.

NEW CIVIL GOVERNMENT IN JUAREZ IS COMPLETED

Mayor is Installed By Carranza Officials—To Muster Out the Villa Forces.

By Associated Press. El Paso, Tex., Dec. 25.—Completion of a new civil government was effected today in Juarez by the appointment of Manuel Prieta as mayor. General Obregon and General Calles, the latter arriving early today from Agua Prieta conferred on plans for a campaign against the Zapata forces in the state of Morelos.

General Obregon was interrupted so frequently by his countrymen calling with the season's greetings that he and his conferees wound up their work in General Obregon's private car in the railroad yards.

It is expected that with the arrival of 3,000 troops from Agua Prieta tomorrow, General Obregon and his staff will cross the international bridge and begin the active work of mustering out the Villa forces in Chihuahua.

"JIMMYLEGS" ABOLISHED IN AMERICAN NAVY

By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., Dec. 25.—The passing of "Jimmylegs" which is a man-of-war's name for the master at arms, charged with the duty of maintaining discipline is told in the annual report of the bureau of investigation. The report says the number of men in bad standing has been reduced. "It is not believed," says the report "that a special police force is now necessary aboard ship. Every petty officer should be made to feel he has a share of responsibility in maintaining discipline.

SECOND CONGRESS OF PAN-AMERICANS ORGANIZED SEVEN YEARS AGO

Scientific Meeting of Interest Begins at Washington to Tomorrow.

MANY NOTABLES FROM NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN COUNTRIES ARE TO ATTEND

By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., Dec. 25.—More than 200 statesmen, educators, scientists and publicists from the South and Central American republics are here for the Second Pan-American Scientific Congress, which convenes Monday and continues until January 8th. In addition to the official delegates of the United States several hundred private citizens will participate in the program which is directed toward the general subject of closer relations between the Americas.

The first Pan-American Scientific Congress was held at Santiago, Chile in 1908, when Washington was selected as the place in which to hold the second this year. Eduardo Suarez, Chilean ambassador to Washington, was chosen president of the congress and will preside at the conference next week. Vice President Marshall, Secretary Lansing and Ambassador Suarez, will welcome the delegates on the first day of the congress and responses will be made by chairman of the various delegations.

It is expected that President Wilson will return to Washington from his honeymoon in time to address the members at a special meeting at the Pan-American building on the night of January 5th. Arrangements have been made for giving the first Pan-American reception ever held in the White House on the evening of January 7th.

Congress at its last session appropriated \$200,000 to cover expenses and authorized President Wilson to extend the invitations. All the American republics accepted, some sending as many as fifteen delegates and none less than three. In addition to these there have come many representatives of leading universities and scientific societies and a number of notable invited by the Carnegie Endowment. The Argentine government appropriated \$90,000 for the expenses of its delegation of nine men who stand high in educational and scientific affairs in South America. The Chilean government appointed fifteen delegates.

The United States delegates are headed by George Gray of Delaware, includes William Phillips, third assistant secretary of state, who is chairman of the executive committee of arrangements; James Brown Scott, secretary of the Carnegie Endowment; William H. Welch, president of the National Academy of Sciences; John Barrett, director general of the Pan-American Union; Brig. Gen. W. H. Bixby, U. S. A., retired; Philander P. Claxton, commissioner of Education; Major-General William C. Gorgas, surgeon general U. S. Army; William H. Holmes, Smithsonian Institute; Hennen Jennings, mining engineer; Gen. M. Romme, department of Agriculture; L. S. Rowe, president of the American Academy of Political and Social Science; Robert S. Woodward, president of the Carnegie Institution of Washington; Franz Boas, Columbia University; John A. Brashear, American Society of Mechanical Engineers; William Wallace Campbell, American Association for the Advance of Science; Richard C. Cabot, professor in the Harvard medical school; Henry B. Fine, Princeton University; Henry S. Graves, chief forester of the United States; A. P. Thom of the Southern Railway, and Charles D. Walcott, director of the Smithsonian Institution.

The work of arranging the program has been done at the Pan-American building here, under the direction of John Barrett, director general of the Pan-American Union, as secretary general of the Congress, assisted by Dr. Glen Levin Swiggett, professor of Romance languages at the University of Tennessee, as assistant secretary general.

The subjects to be discussed have been divided into the following sections: Anthropology, Astronomy, Meteorology, Conservation of Natural Resources, Agriculture, Irrigation and Forestry, Education, Engineering, International Law, Public Law and Jurisprudence, Mining and Metallurgy, Economic Geology and Applied Chemistry, Public Health and Medical Science, Transportation, Commerce, Finance and Taxation. These sections in turn have been subdivided into subsections and it is expected that when the congress is fully under way there will be in progress at the same time thirty or forty meetings. To care for these gatherings most of the public halls in Washington have been engaged.

On the evening of the opening day a reception by Secretary Lansing and the American delegates will be given in the Hall of the Americas in the Pan-American building. The visiting dignitaries will be the guests of the United States government at a banquet the last evening of the congress.

After the first day the nine sections will meet separately to outline the work of their sub-sections. Through-out the remainder of the meeting these subsections will conduct their discussions independently in different parts of the city. It is estimated that more than 1,000 papers will be read during the conferences on subjects ranging from problems of everyday life to the latest developments of modern science. Since delegates will be here from countries where French, Spanish, Portuguese and English are the common languages and in order that none may lose any of what is said, a corps of interpreters has been engaged.

Much of the planning of the social events scheduled for the two weeks has been done under the direction of Mrs. Robert Lansing, wife of the secretary of state, who heads a women's auxiliary committee of 100 women prominent in social affairs of Washington and other cities.

12 REGIONAL LAND BANKS PROPOSED IN NEW BILL

Separate System for Farm Loans Planned

Land Banks Under Central Board Would Make Farm Loans At Low Rate.

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 25.—When Congress reconvenes after the holiday recess a land mortgage bill creating the official machinery for a system of agricultural banks entirely distinct and separate from the commercial banks will be ready for consideration by both Houses.

The full joint committee on rural credits which has been working for months in an investigation of the subject with a number of old bills as well as the experience of the European governments as a basis, will meet January 3 to receive and pass upon the bill completed yesterday by the land mortgage subcommittee. This measure creates a system of 12 regional land banks for the use of farm borrowers everywhere in the United States at a low rate of interest under control of a central board at Washington, divided from any existing government offices or federal bureaus. This board comprising five members will have almost supreme authority over land mortgages figuring in the system. Members of the board will be appointed by the president subject to the approval of the Senate.

Eighteen of the twenty-one republics have organized associations subscribing to the principle of codified international law, and have sent delegates who will take part in the deliberations of the Pan-American Institute of International Law. This will be the inaugural meeting of the institute. The governing board of the Pan-American Union has adopted the suggestion of Ambassador Suarez, a resolution tendering the founders and members of the institute a vote of commendation and encouragement. When he offered the resolution recently the ambassador said:

"As my colleagues are undoubtedly aware, in October, 1912, the foundations were laid in Washington for an organization of a most interesting character. There was born into the realm of scientific life the American Institute of International Law, the object of which is, briefly stated, to combine and utilize through a central organization in Washington and the co-operation of affiliated or corresponding associations in all the other American nations, the intellectual efforts of jurists and thinkers of the continent for the development of international law, the generalization of its principles and the adoption of a common standard to ensure the enforcement of law and justice among the countries of the New World. The corresponding or affiliated associations members of an automobile squad, attached to a relief expedition sent out to aid the Serbians.

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By Associated Press. Berlin, Dec. 25.—The Vienna Zeit., says the Overseas News Agency, announces that Baron Burian already has begun work upon the note to the second American note on the Ancona and has said the Austrian reply will be handed during the next few days to the American ambassador at Vienna.

AUSTRIA'S REPLY TO SECOND AMERICAN NOTE READY

By Associated Press. London, Dec. 25.—The most rapid promoted man in the British army is Lieut.-Col. W. F. Austin of the 17th reserve battalion of the Cheshire regiment, who enlisted as a private in that regiment on August 30, 1914. He enlisted as a stranger, with only some militia experience behind him and rose rapidly through the non-commissioned ranks to a commission and then from quartermaster to adjutant, company commander and battalion adjutant with the result that at the end of eleven months he was commanding a regiment.

PRIVATE TO COLONEL IN JUST ELEVEN MONTHS

By Associated Press. Panama, Dec. 24.—The broad flat top of Gatun Dam is to serve for a golf course and a club is now being organized by officials of the Panama Canal and others. Major General George W. Goethals, U. S. A., governor of the Panama Canal, has approved the formation of the club and has given permission for the use of Gatun Dam.

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AMERICAN SURRENDERED NISH TO BULGARIANS

Serbian Soldiers Mutinied And Destroyed Stores—American Sent to Meet Bulgarians.

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By Associated Press. Santa Claus Arrives. Captain Robb took the floor and said he had just received a wireless that Santa Claus had gotten safely across Wichita River and would arrive soon; at that juncture the light went out and the sound of a horn was heard outside. When the lights came on again, there was Santa Claus, sure enough; he was greeted with vociferous cheers. He proved to be short in stature, about the size of the exalted ruler of the Elks lodge. He asked the children present who had kept their faces absolutely clean during the year to raise their hands, and all hands went up promptly. He then asked all who would do better next year to raise their hands, and there was a unanimous response.

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SALVATION ARMY BRINGS SANTA CLAUS TO 300 CHILDREN

SANTA CLAUS HIMSELF COMES TO DISTRIBUTE GIFTS FROM BIG CHRISTMAS TREE SATURDAY NIGHT.

EVERYBODY IS REMEMBERED

Mayor Britain And Others Speak And Then Santa Claus Arrives—Gifts For Every Boy And Girl—Grown Ups Enjoy Program Thoroughly.

The hearts of more than 300 children were made glad last night when the Salvation Army held its annual Christmas tree distributing fruit, candy and gifts to a host of little ones, who gathered at 710 Seventh street. The room was packed to its capacity, a number of grownups being present in addition to the scores upon scores of boys and girls.

The gifts were presented by Santa Claus, his own self, as luck would have it, he arrived just as the program for the evening was finished and if he had been five minutes later, he would not have arrived in time to distribute the presents. The program which preceded the presentation included talks by Captain Robb, Mayor A. H. Britain, Rev. F. Walters and Dr. A. L. Andrews, with songs and recitations by a number of little girls and boys. Apples, oranges and bags of nuts were given everyone, while horns and games for the boys and dolls for the girls were also provided. The little folks filed by the tree, a long line of them, and received their gifts. Most of them said "thank you" but the eyes and faces of all told of their gratitude better than their lips could.

Presents for All. The Salvation Christmas-tree is the only Christmas that most of these children have, and to them it is a big event. Care is taken to see that no deserving one is overlooked, and all who come to the hall are remembered with a measure of generosity that speaks much for the work that Captain and Mrs. Robb are doing in this city.

The program opened with a prayer by Rev. A. L. Andrews, after which Captain Robb spoke briefly. He introduced Mayor Britain. The mayor told the children that next Christmas the Salvation army would have the tree in its own building, and this announcement met with hearty applause. Speaking of the significance of the occasion, Mr. Britain said that the folks who were happiest at Christmas time were those who tried to make others happy and that next Christmas the Salvation army would have the tree in its own building, and this announcement met with hearty applause. Speaking of the significance of the occasion, Mr. Britain said that the folks who were happiest at Christmas time were those who tried to make others happy and that next Christmas the Salvation army would have the tree in its own building, and this announcement met with hearty applause.

Why We Celebrate. Rev. F. Walters, pastor of the First Christian Church, told the children what Christmas meant, and why it was celebrated; he too, had some words of warm praise for Captain and Mrs. Robb. Mr. Walters urged his hearers to remember that the Army's work was not merely the feeding of their stomachs and the clothing of their bodies, but the bringing of salvation to their souls. A number of recitations and songs followed. One little boy, the son of Captain and Mrs. Robb, recited, the rest of the performers being girls. Among the verses recited was one perfectly good prohibition poem, very tragic in tone.

Dr. A. L. Andrews, pastor of the M. E. Church, South, was then introduced. He began by asking if an hour and a half was too long for him to speak; a little girl in the front row replied with absolute frankness that it was. Dr. Andrews' talk was a humorous one for the most part; he urged his hearers to remember that it was Christmas day and Xmas day, and he scored the practice of using the shorter term. Dr. Andrews asked the little folks to remember what the day meant and spoke of the significance of the occasion.

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FARMERS ARE ADVISED TO GUARD AGAINST GREEN BUG

Presence of Pest in North Texas Subject of Agricultural Department Bulletin

Advice to farmers on how to detect and eradicate the green bug wheat pest is issued in a bulletin from the federal department of agriculture.

The spring grain aphid, popularly known as the green bug, has appeared in grain fields in Tennessee, Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas and in north-eastern New Mexico, and it is probable that it is also in southern Missouri and Arkansas.

The reservation at Fort Sill is a rolling prairie, particularly adapted to rifle practice at concealed targets. Besides being taught range finding and fire control, the officers are taught the use of concealing troops from fire and the most advantageous methods of formation in moving a body of troops across a fire-swept field, or against an enemy position.

Volume of Inch of Rain. An inch of rain coming down on a single acre of ground would fill more than 600 barrels of 45 gallons capacity each. This amount of water would weigh more than 110 tons, or nearly a quarter of a million pounds.

SCHOOL OF MUSKETRY TO OPEN SOON AT FORT SILL

Army Will Train Officers in Handling Masses of Troops When Under Fire

The school of musketry of the United States army—the only school of its kind in the country—will open at the reservation here shortly before the first of January.

The school is for the training of officers and non-commissioned officials of the army in directing and controlling the fire of troops and in the systematic handling and formation of troops under fire.

GERMANS QUICKLY SET UP GOVERNMENT IN WARSAW

Have Established Efficient and Well-Organized Administration—New Liberties Given Poles.

Warsaw (By mail)—It took the Germans just about one week to install in the province of Warsaw, the most important in all Poland, a government that, for the smoothness of its operation, seems remarkable under the circumstances.

Only a few days after the fall of Warsaw it was announced that General Von Beseler had been appointed governor general, not only of the city but of the district comprising some 70 square kilometers. Like Von Bissing of Belgium, he is the supreme authority, with powers infinitely greater than those enjoyed by the German emperor.

The Germans found on taking Warsaw a citizens committee of Poles and Jews, headed by Prince Lubomirski, into whose hands the Russians had confided the welfare of the city. This committee was allaying as best it could the needs of the people in charitable ways and wrestling with the food problem.

The Germans immediately gave official recognition to the committee and prepared to work hand in hand with it. But one subcommittee, that in charge of the coal problem, has been disbanded.

The branch departments of the commissariat include a bureau of communal affairs of the district, exclusive of Warsaw district; a bread and flour department; a complaint department where for instance, citizens lodge complaints against bakers; a customs office; a veterinary department, which has had an enormous task in ridding the city of mad dogs; a censorship bureau which passes on all plays and films; a pass division which issues credentials to the residents of the district; an employment bureau; and a division which assists the wives of former German residents of Warsaw who are interned in Siberia and elsewhere.

94 YEAR OLD MAN WEDS WIDOW, AGED 33; SAYS WAS LONESOME

Springfield, Mo., Dec. 25.—R. Davis, 94 years old, said to be the father of forty-one children, is being married today in Cabool Missouri to Mrs. M. Macoon, 29 years old. Davis previously had been married three times. He has been in good health and declared he was getting lonesome. Twenty children and more than 100 grand children attended the ceremony.

CENTRAL BANK OF ISSUE IS PLANNED BY CARRANZA

Laredo, Tex., Dec. 25.—One of the desires of General Venustiano Carranza, first chief of the Mexican de facto government, according to well-informed circles here, is the establishment of a central bank of issue, with headquarters in Mexico City, where bills of the use of all state or branch banks will be issued. He hopes through the creation of such an institution, it is said, to provide currency that will be acceptable in all the Mexican states.

PRESIDENT AND BRIDE HAVE RAINY CHRISTMAS

Herndon, Va., Dec. 25.—President and Mrs. Wilson were driven from the golf links here today by a heavy rainstorm which broke suddenly and drenched both of them before they could reach their hotel, a mile away. Despite the cold mountain air, however, it was said at the hotel tonight that neither had suffered any serious effects, though the president caught a slight cold. This evening the President and Mrs. Wilson at a Virginia Christmas dinner together in their private suite. More than fifty Christmas gifts sent by relatives, members of the President's official family, and close friends, were delivered at the presidential suite today.

FATAL AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT AT BEAUMONT

Beaumont, Texas, December 25.—Bob Glass, 27 years old, was killed. Lieutenant George Rafferty, about 40 years old, suffered a broken arm, Paul Harris, 21 years old sustained a broken leg and C. R. Reinhardt was badly bruised when two automobiles collided at the corner of Park and Franklin streets while answering a fire alarm.

MY WISHES FOR YOU

That you may have all the good things in 1916 that you may have missed this year.

That you may be able to see a golden lining in every cloud.

That you may enjoy increasing happiness and prosperity and—

That you may enjoy this Holiday season as never before.

C. H. Hardeman

Phones 232 and 432 710 Ninth Street

GERMANS HAVE FRUSTRATED MINING OPERATIONS

Berlin, December 25.—Mining operations against the German line west of LaBasse near the Belgium border on the French front have been frustrated by the Germans who by counter mining destroyed the hostile works, army headquarters announced today.

MORE GOVERNMENT TROOPS JOIN CHINESE REBELS

Peking, Dec. 25.—The government troops in the province of Yunnan have joined the revolutionists under Tsalao who have declared the province independent and guaranteed the safety of foreigners. The revolutionary forces now number 3000. Conditions in the province of Kwelchow are unsettled but disaffections have not been reported in the other southern provinces.

GERMAN NEWSPAPERS COMMENT UPON NEWEST ANCONA NOTE

Berlin, December 25.—The Berlin papers today published prominently the full text of the American note on the Ancona. Only the Tageblatt and Boersen Zeitung comment at any length. The Tageblatt says the note differs from the first, to its advantage, by the objective tone which preserves the forms customary in communication to the residents of the district.

"The question at issue" says the Tageblatt, "is not brought a step nearer solution." The American government maintains its demands of December 6. As a basis for this demand, however, it has recourse no longer to the somewhat scanty material furnished by naked assumptions and suppositions which it was before based on, but on the recourse of the Austro-Hungarian charge d'affaires at Washington.

"It remains a striking fact that the renewed demand were not emphasized that the note maintains its former stand, but adds that even if the United States is of the opinion that new facts are not available, the way is left open for further negotiations."

NAVAL BILL HEARINGS WILL BEGIN JANUARY 5

Washington, December 25.—Hearings on the naval appropriation bill will begin before the house naval committee, after the adjournment, probably January 5th. The navy department's recommendation in the bill for a dry dock at Norfolk with a cost of \$2,500,000, is the principle dock problem in the naval plans.

MORE CARRANZA TROOPS TO PASS THROUGH U. S.

Washington, December 25.—Permission was given today for 2,000 more Carranza troops to pass through the U. S. from Agua Prieta to Juarez. They go to strengthen the garrison in the former Villa stronghold and to suppress disorders as well as to take part in the campaign to the north. In giving permission for the passage the stipulation was made that the Mexican troops should not go through the city of El Paso but should pass around it to the international bridge.

THREE KILLED ON WAY TO MEET CHRISTMAS GUESTS

Corning, N. Y., December 25.—Miss Mary McChesney, 22 years old, Ethel McChesney, 17 years old, of Ayres and Benjamin Harrison, 20 years old, of Corning were killed today by a Delaware, Lackawanna & Western freight train at the Avoca station. The young women went to the station to meet Harrison who was to be their Christmas guest.

FRENCH GOVERNMENT EXTENDS MORATORIUM

Paris, Dec. 25.—The moratorium affecting commercial paper has been extended for 90 days and those furnishing supplies to the government or the allies are exempted from the terms of the decree, which was published today. Some public criticism of the extension is made, inasmuch as 130 out of 140 chambers of commerce have gone on record for suspension as well as in favor of bringing an end to the abnormal conditions with which commerce has been burdened for seven-months.

Local News Brevities

Dr. Prothro, Dentist, Ward Building, 604-6c

Wichita Falls Undertaking Co., 812 Scott avenue, Phone 202. Prompt ambulance service. Command us. 181c

J. L. Mears, who was for fourteen years connected with the sales department of the Waters-Pierce and later the Pierce-Fordyce Oil Association has left that company to become general sales manager for the Wichita Valley Refining Company. Mr. Mears entered upon the duties of his new position last week.

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

An Oldsmobile touring car driven by Clyde Murph, collided with a Ford service car driven by F. A. Smith in Floral Heights Christmas morning. The Smith car was overturned, the top torn off and otherwise damaged. A lady passenger who was in the car at the time escaped without injury. Mr. Smith was also uninjured.

714 Wall Street, rear of Palace Drug store, where all kinds of battery work and auto repairing is done. Phone 2169. Wall Street Auto Machine Co., Shaler & Wallace, Props. 84-1c

A San Antonio roadster whose owner's name was not learned collided with a touring car driven by Wells Smith, son of R. C. Smith, Christmas morning. The collision took place at Ninth and Indiana avenues. The Smith car was running north on Indiana and the San Antonio car was being driven east on Ninth street. Dr. Smith's car was badly damaged, but the occupants of neither of the cars were injured.

Girls' Band and Boys' Band Offer. All students who begin their studies in any branch at the Wichita Falls College of Music and Art will receive free instruction in the Girls' and Boys' Band until June 1st. This is an excellent opportunity to learn to play a wind instrument without extra cost. Phone 1270. 189-12c.

A negro who gave her name as Murray Jones was cut in the face by another negro at about five o'clock yesterday afternoon. Two other negroes, Bessie Ingram and Fletcher Bonds were arrested. The trouble place is in a house occupied by negroes near East Lake. The two negroes are said to have been put out of a negro dance hall earlier in the afternoon. One of them said the negro who was cut had been trying to steal her husband. The Jones negro also was detained. She was not seriously cut.

Furniture upholstering, repairing and re-finishing. Reliable shop. James and Clark, 793 Tenth street, Phone 3174.

We make a specialty of padding and re-lining fur. Home Tailoring Co., phone 1231, 709 Seventh street. 701c

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The Donnelly Floral Company, phone 957 have cut flowers and plants and are up to the minute in all floral work. They have some plants for sale. Give them a trial. 76-1c

Nearly a ton of candy sold in one day was the record made by the Peil confectionery store Friday. The firm turned out 599 boxes weighing from one to ten pounds each, about 600 pounds of chocolates and bulk candies and 100 pounds of cheap mixed candies.

Sixteen city prisoners and nine who had been put into the county jail for being drunk were given their liberty Christmas morning. Although the police permitted all except bad cases to go by Christmas Day the city jail was

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HOT CHOCOLATE?

You will find it a most delightful refreshment. We also serve Bouillon with wafers—a very palatable food drink. Telephone orders for Ice Cream for Sunday dinner. We deliver at any hour you wish.

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Quick Service

Quick Service and Special Delivery enables you to get your prescriptions and other drug emergency needs, as well as other goods in all departments with the least possible delay, and many valuable minutes usually lost are here put to service in accomplishing results for both physician and patient.

When required, prescriptions will be sent for, filled and delivered immediately. All orders for emergency needs, sick room supplies and hospital goods have prompt and personal attention.

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THE DRUG STORE THAT GIVES BETTER SERVICE

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pretty well filled up again last night. Included in the number arrested were several who had been released yesterday morning.

Twenty-eight arrests had been made by the police up to 11:30 last night since eight o'clock this morning. Nearly all of the arrests resulted from a too full enjoyment of spirits, truant or otherwise. Most of those arrested were given their liberty after they had sobered somewhat.

COUNTERFEIT DOLLARS PASSED HERE FRIDAY

Several of Them Found in Cash Drawers After The Big Rush Before Christmas.

Shoppers of the queer took advantage of the holiday rush to work off a few counterfeit dollars in Wichita Falls. Kress store got three of them Friday and several other merchants are reported to have found them in their cash drawers. The counterfeiters are easily detected being of a dull and darker appearance than the hundred cent variety. They are also slick and do not have the right kind of ring.

A number of these dollars were passed at Lawton last week. There also the Kress store was victimized.

GENERAL VILLA'S WIFE AND PARTY SAIL FOR HAVANA

New Orleans, Dec. 25.—Mrs. Francisco Villa, wife of the Mexican revolutionary leader, and her party of 29 persons in all, sailed today on the United Fruit Company's steamer Atenas for Havana, Cuba. General Villa was not on the Atenas passenger list and was not found aboard the steamer when she sailed. His wife said she thought he still was in Mexico. In the party besides Mrs. Villa and her two small sons were Mrs. Hipolito Villa, wife of the general's brother and a number of other prominent Mexicans and relatives of the Villars.

AFFRAY BETWEEN GERMAN AND BULGARIAN OFFICERS

Paris, Dec. 25.—A Havas dispatch from Rome says: "The Gazette Popolo prints a report of a sanguinary affray at Uskup between officers of the Austro-German forces and Bulgarian officers. Revolvers were freely used, according to the report. Two German, one Austrian and two Bulgarian officers were killed and a number of other officers were wounded."

BODIES OF WHITE MAN AND TWO NEGROES FOUND

St. Louis, December 25.—The bodies of one white man and two negroes were found today near a lake in Eldorado Park 20 miles west of St. Louis. The white man was named Bates and was a watchman in the employ of the United Railways. Bates rowed the two negroes across the lake late yesterday. Today his son, alarmed at his absence, rowed across the lake to look for him. He found the bodies of the two negroes in an alfalfa field. A thousand feet away he found the body of his father.

BOY FATALLY BURNED INSPECTING PRESENTS

Bullinger, Texas, December 25.—The eleven year old son of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Harwell was fatally burned while inspecting his Christmas presents around the fire place early today when his nightgown caught fire from the grate.

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DENVER STREET RESIDENCE IS DESTROYED BY FIRE

Boys Melting Tar Start Fire That Wiped Out Residence of Mrs. J. A. Douglas.

Boys melting tar to line a boat started a fire that destroyed the home of Mrs. A. E. Douglas at 1103 Denver street late Saturday afternoon. The boys were using the kitchen stove. The tar boiled over and caught fire setting the kitchen on fire. The flames spread with great rapidity and only the piano and one or two other articles were saved. Firemen entering the house with a chemical tank were knocked down by the explosion probably of natural gas and lost the chemical tank. It was with great difficulty that the home of A. E. Huff adjoining was saved. Several times Mr. Huff's home was on fire.

The firemen had good water pressure although the pressure on one line which was laid from Ninth street was of course weak at the end of the nozzle on account of the distance from the plug.

PRESIDENT NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY DEAD

Montpelier, Vt., December 25.—Joseph E. Eboer, president of the National Life Insurance Company since 1902, died here today, aged 34 years.

Money to Loan

On improved property in Wichita Falls and on land. Improved and unimproved, any where in Texas.

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WICHITA DAILY TIMES

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Throughout the entire United States comes the report that this has been the most cheerful Christmas in years, due perhaps to the fact that the country never before was quite so prosperous, and when that is true it counts up most wonderfully in making of Christmas a happy occasion.

Next year is presidential year. Aside from that most important election there are to be held several other elections, including the bond election for a new court house which is set for January 18th, the municipal election for the first Tuesday in April at which time a full set of city officials are to be elected, and the Democratic primary election in July to be followed by the general election in November.

The other day a Pittsburgh, (Pa.) savings bank failed. Among its depositors were 41,000 school children, and their deposits amounted to about \$167,000. These children had been making their deposits regularly with the expectation of drawing them out at Christmas, but the bank was closed just a few days before. It began to look as if those school children who had saved their pennies, nickels and dimes were going to have a gloomy Christmas, and they did no doubt, for that matter, but they will get their money back early in January through the kindness of H. C. Frick, the multimillionaire coal magnate.

Down Wichita Falls way it seems hard to keep district judges. Four years ago Judge Carrigan resigned. Two years ago Judge Martin resigned the same place. This week Judge Akin resigned the same place. Practicing law in Wichita Falls is too good a field to make money and the judges soon get sufficient notoriety to give them an earning ability greater than the judge's salary.

A New Orleans dispatch says: Two girls, one supposed to be a country school teacher, succeeded, it is said, in getting a man, known in New Orleans as Thomas Gilchrist, to dance upon the top of a table while a hired band drowned the sound of a moving picture machine that was taking the scene.

damages, claiming he was paralyzed in an accident. The girls were detectives employed by the railroad company to prove he was not a cripple, and when Gilchrist proposed to one she said she would not marry a cripple. He then jumped upon the table to prove that his limbs were solid.—Mineral Wells Index.

HERE IS TO YOU, OLD PARD!

A Christmas Greeting to All the Old Cowboys, and Range Bosses of the Cattle Range: One evening I entered a modern hotel, in a city of Texas Northwest, to meet my old friend, an erstwhile cowboy registered among the guests.

I saw him sitting alone in the corridor, appearing old, wrinkled and grey, so unlike the dashing plainsman I knew in the early frontier day. And, though he arose and greeted me with pleasure pointing to a nearby chair.

His voice had in it a quaver and his figure showed no longer that jaunty air. Of the dashing bronco-buster who rode the cattle range in the breezy west, defying desperadoes and hostile Indian raiders, meeting danger with merry jest.

Time has left his mark upon you and I, old pard, I kindly said; Your face is furrowed with years of care and there is frost upon your head; And I suspect, that you are not so handy with your six-shooter as you used to be.

Where Quannah Parker and his red warriors on the range were often seen trailing its buffalo and antelope down the sloping valley of grass-green. While a solitary, lone range-ride beside his pony in the evening shadow stood.

PRESIDENT HAD A RIGHT TO MARRY.

The Reporter has said that President Wilson was clearly within his rights to marry Mrs. Galt. We go further and say that he did just what he should have done, and we heartily endorse the sentiment expressed by a contributor to the Dallas News in com-

plainting of the action of the U. D. C. assembled at Austin in withholding congratulations to Mr. Wilson on his approaching marriage. Marriage is honorable and right and there can be no just criticism of any man no matter what his social standing may be, if after a reasonable period has elapsed if he shall marry the second or third time. The President remained single about 19 months and the fact that he felt the need of a good woman in his life and that he honored marriage and was blessed by choosing a second wife to share his joys and sorrows and to make for him a home, is a compliment to him and an action that should be praised rather than criticized.

HAS IT COME TO THIS?

Already word comes from Washington that many Democrats foresee trouble from that part of the President's message dealing with the international enemies of the country. It is spoken of as raising an issue with the foreign-born which may plague congressmen in their districts and not be without effect on the coming presidential election.

The President raises no issue with foreign-born citizens as a class any more than his concurrent criticism of certain native-born citizens touches the whole body of that part of our citizenship. The issue he raises is with the treasonable plotters and the sedition sovers in our midst who have given evidence of their willingness to betray this country's interests to serve the interests of a foreign country.

No doubt political opponents, if the move seems advisable, will in some cases attempt to pervert from its true meaning one of the most patriotic, conservative and justifiable declarations ever made by an American President to an American Congress.

It is even possible that some elements of our foreign-born population, misled by passion and prejudice or by the artful representations of men who have long practiced the art of profiting from the sentiments of various "classes" of our population, may take to themselves the censure leveled at only those who richly deserve it; may illogically associate themselves with a course of which they are in no wise guilty and with a small section of the population of whose acts they cannot in the least approve.

1915-1916 RETROSPECTIVE-PROSPECTIVE.

Naturally, when Christmas arrives each succeeding year, our minds take a retrospective and prospective view of the past and future. Generally, our first concern is from a personal standpoint. We take an inventory of all our earthly possessions: money, in bank, stock in trade, real estate, bonds, mortgages and promissory notes; if we are fortunate enough to own these securities, those not so fortunate, are reduced to consider ways and means, based upon their earning capacity, as laborers, tradesmen, mechanics and married employes. What we have done the past twelve months and what we expect to do the coming year, challenges attention and calls for serious thought.

SUFFRAGE CAMPAIGN FOR 1916 IN TEXAS PROMISED

Leaders Are Planning Active Fight to Have Constitutional Amendment Submitted

late themselves. And, they can now afford to take a retrospective and prospective view of the situation. By present example and influence they control the destiny of the city, county, state and nation. Far be it from the "inflection" of your public scribble, to suggest or even intimate what has not been done or what ought to be done in the premises. Because, he recognizes that his position is minor and his influence negative in county, municipal and national affairs.

Why a City Government?

To protect the lives, liberty and property of the citizens of the incorporated community with a view to the general welfare of all. To do this consistently, it is necessary to collect and expend taxes sufficient for building, extending, maintaining and improving streets, alleys, parks, bridges and improving streets, alleys, parks, bridges and buildings, for the health, convenience, comfort and pleasure of the inhabitants.

How a City Government?

Organized and conducted upon a strictly business basis—no politics, no sentiment, no favoritism, no special privileges, no special interest; to enact and enforce, as few ordinances and resolutions as possible, necessary to the well-being of the people as expressed through their elected officers. To do this, the city administration should be on a common sense basis, similar to other successful business corporations, by electing or appointing only honorable, qualified men to office, with a salary sufficient to require all the time necessary in performing their duties; to audit the books of every official who collects and disburses the money of the city, at the end of each month, and publish an itemized report for inspection of the public, so that the citizens can judge of the efficiency of the officers. And there should be system and cooperation of all the officers in an united effort to enforce the laws, every day alike, against every citizen alike, to the end, that good government may command the respect and support of all the people.

When a City Government?

When the people deem it necessary for the common welfare to organize into a civic body, it becomes necessary to form a compact, pledging their mutual support, to the enactment and enforcement of such laws and regulations, as the majority shall elect. When such a compact is entered into, the benefits to be derived therefrom, depends upon the sincerity of each individual citizen and officer.

WISDOM AND OTHERWISE.

The finest poetry was first expounded—Emerson. The clatter of arms drowns the voice of law.—Monaghan. He that climbs the tall tree has won right to the fruit. He that leaps the wide gulf should prevail in his suit.—Scott. "Don't you know that it is a great mistake to flirt" said the kindly stranger. "Yes," replied one of the two small boys. "That's what I've been telling this fellow for a long time, but he won't be satisfied till I prove it to him."—Washington Star.

WISD AND OTHERWISE.

The homicide bureau reports that so far this year in New York there have been twelve double tragedies. This does not include the eugenic marriages.—New York Mail.

Going-Out-Of-Business SALE! Christmas is over, and the rush of the shopping days are past, but there are still hundreds of splendid bargains to be had. The Big Sale Still Goes On. If there were any needs forgotten or overlooked in the rush of Christmas shopping, come down tomorrow and you will find many staple lines of goods still very complete, and the prices will appeal to you more than ever.

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and signed by a large number of Texas people are in existence. These will be returned to play in 1916 if time brings forth the anticipated developments. The Dallas Equal Suffrage Association, one of the strongest of its kind in the State, has a definite program to follow next year, Mrs. Tex E. Armstrong, president, is confident that 1916 will prove fruitful for equal suffrage. The local organization wants more members. It wants to build up organizations in the principal towns of North-Texas. It comes from unofficial sources—the men—that the recent visit of the "immortal seventy-five" to Washington failed to help the equal suffrage cause in the estimation of Texas. The Texas delegation went to Washington to make a fight in behalf of this city for the 1916 Democratic convention. While out night seeing the delegation ran into an equal suffrage parade, which failed to create the most favorable impression with the Texas people. The complexity of the parade did not scotch the ideals of a Southerner's sentiments.

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Personals

Miss Robena Hargett of Munday, Texas, is visiting Mrs. Harry Hargett at 710 Scott during the holidays.

Bates Thatcher of Abilene, representative in Texas for the Simmons Hardware Company of St. Louis, is here to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. H. Thatcher.

The friends of Miss Survella Shultz will regret to learn that she is confined to her bed with a severe case of la grippe. Her brother, Lloyd Shultz of Amarillo is here to spend the holidays with her.

Mrs. William Johnson and daughter are visiting at Henrietta. Due Millsaps left yesterday for Weatherford for a visit with his daughter.

Mrs. J. J. Henry of Lisbon, La., is visiting her brother, W. L. Ponder and family.

Linn Harris of Frederick, Okla., was down last night to spend Sunday in the city.

Mrs. W. E. Franklin and son, Herbert are spending the holidays with friends in Pilot Point.

Floyd Ford of Denison, is spending the holidays with his grandmother, Mrs. Geo. W. Eagle.

Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Anderson and family of Olney were the guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Anderson Christmas Day. Mrs. A. G. Morris and family of Kerrville also are visiting the Anderson home.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Huggins of Childress, Dr. and Mrs. McKeller of Loveland, Okla., Sam Huggins of Amarillo, Joe Huggins of Childress and Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Huggins of Vernon are visiting Mrs. J. H. Huggins. A family reunion is always a feature of the Christmas celebrations at the Huggins home.

Miss Eula Tucker of Charlie is spending the holidays with her aunt, Mrs. Bettye Baugh at the Tremont hotel.

W. J. Howard, Jr., Forrest Hawkins, C. S. Tucker and son will spend several days this week on a hunting trip in Archer county.

Miss Carrie Daugherty left yesterday for a visit with her brother, Harry Daugherty, and family at Archer City.

LYDIA MARGARET THEATRE

MONDAY

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NEW YORK CELEBRATES JOYOUS AND PROSPEROUS XMAS.

By Associated Press.—New York City celebrated a joyous and prosperous Christmas with a large presentation of gifts and an unusually large outlay of charity.

After a display of community trees in various parks and public centers throughout the city last night the day was ushered in not only here but throughout the arch diocese of New York with midnight masses in both of the Catholic churches. This was the first time in fifteen years that midnight mass was celebrated. It is estimated that one million persons took part in the masses.

Baskets of food were distributed to

20,000 persons by the Salvation Army and the Volunteers of America. Throughout the financial districts the employees of stock exchanges and other financial institutions were made happy by gifts amounting to nearly a million dollars. The New York Stock Exchange had distributed among its employes from 5 to 50 per cent of their yearly salary as Christmas presents.

London, Dec. 25.—Prince Von Buelow, former German imperial chancellor who has been in Switzerland since last October but who has deeded he was on a peace mission as has been widely reported, left Switzerland yesterday for Germany.

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Velvet Is Favored Material For Dancing And Other Indoor Frocks

New York, Dec. 25.—With dancing still a popular pastime, indoor new clothes are constantly in demand. The indoor dancing frock might consistently serve as well for afternoon tea, bridge parties and similar daytime affairs, or it may be as plain as the fancy dictates.

Indoor Afternoon Frocks.
Sleeves and collars are the distinctive features of these costumes. Whether for afternoon or morning wear the collar is high; not necessarily of the choker type, for many a collar high in back is open in front, affording the comfort of the open throat and the chic of the high-neck dressing. When the choker is

being put out in all shades to match suit or frock; the simplest of them have merely a frill or two around the ankles in the same color and material as the garment.

Small Hats For Dancing.
For real comfort in dancing, the small hat is necessary. This is usually in bright contrast to suit or frock; for instance, there is a charming shade of brick red that is much favored with blue serge and black velvet dresses and suits. A bright currant velvet is also favored, and bright coral too is attractive for those who find the shade becoming; and for the more conservative there are wonderful blues, golden browns and other dark, rich shades which will harmonize beautifully with broadcloth, satin, velvet, taffeta and the other daytime materials. Malines in high up standing ruches, bows, rosettes and folds is being used considerably for these small toques. Gold net or lace toques, with frills of dark brown or black net or malines, wired into shape, are especially effective for both afternoon and informal evening wear. Quaint neck fixings often accompany these smart, little hats; an up standing frill or two of the malines to match the hat, banded through the center with



used it is lined as of old, and usually finished around the top with a frill, ruche, circular band of chiffon, picot edged or a narrow strip of fur. On one of the new Paquin models of black satin and velvet the high satin collar is topped with a two inch wide circular flounce of chiffon. While trimmings are not elaborate on these gowns still there are many little details which offer the clever woman with individual ideas a chance to make good use of them. Cloth covered buttons, silk covered buttons, in self tone, or a color that harmonizes are being used to trim both dresses and suits of the more dressy as well as the simpler types. Both long and three quarter length sleeves are used in daytime dresses; when the three quarter length sleeve is used it is cut very full and flares away from the forearm gracefully, with very much the effect of the old fashioned flowing sleeve of grandmother's day.

Favored Colors and Fabrics.
While serge and gabardine are still the fabrics favored for the more simple suits and dresses, velvet, velveteen and broadcloth are the dressy materials. Braid, buttons and fur are the trimmings that bring out the rich effect of both of these materials. Of course there is nothing richer than black velvet for street and afternoon wear; a charming indoor dancing frock of skunk trimmed black velvet, worn at one of the more popular hotels recently, caused many an eye to follow the graceful dancer with her bright hair and huge bunch of purple orchids. For skating, as well as for dancing, pantalettes are practical and comfortable; these are

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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. 27—Ladies Aid of Temple Lateral will meet with Mrs. Lazarus Cohen at Kemp Kort. The social meeting of the ladies of the First Christian Church will be held at the home of Mrs. W. J. Bullock. The B. O. P. Girls will hold their Pandora Box at the home of Miss Katherine Johnson.
Tuesday, Dec. 28—Mrs. Pressley will be hostess to the Art Literature Club. The Rowena Circle will meet with Mrs. Davis, 1403 Scott. Annual Christmas dance at the Elks club rooms.
Wednesday, Dec. 29—The Midweek Bridge Club will meet with Miss Mabel Simpson. The Merry-makers will meet with Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Fenton. The New Crochet Club will meet with Mrs. H. C. Dakan.
Thursday, Dec. 30—The New Idea Club will hold its annual Christmas grab bag at the home of Mrs. A. C. Wilson with Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Delis hostess; husbands of club members will be entertained in the evening. Mr. and Mrs. Clint Wood will entertain the Thursday Forty-two Club.
Friday, Dec. 31—The Friday Bridge Club will meet with Mrs. O. F. Marchman.

MISS GENEVIEVE CARVER CHRISTMAS EVE HOSTESS

Miss Genevieve Carver kept open house Christmas Eve, the usual informal hospitality of the Carver home being a characteristic of the occasion. The reception rooms were in gala attire with Christmas effects much in evidence. A mock Christmas tree was a feature of the entertainment provided. There were a large number of young people who called between the hours of 8 and 12.

EGGNOG PARTY AT MARCHMAN HOME SATURDAY

Christmas morning Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Marchman entertained with an eggnog party at their home, 1010 Brook. The house was prettily decorated in a very Christmasy effect with greens, bell and tinseling. The delectable delectation was served with whiskied figs and salted nuts. The host and hostess were assisted in entertaining by Mrs. W. M. McGregor. There were about 40 guests who called during the morning.

MR. REESE DINNER HOST CHRISTMAS EVE

I. Reese Jr., entertained with a dinner party at the Westland Friday evening. His guests were: Leo Flowers, T. S. Wren, Lynn Boyd and Ballard Barron.

CHRISTMAS BEING SPENT QUIETLY IN WICHITA FALLS

Christmas observation and celebration has been confined to small family parties and informal gatherings for the most part and these appears to be very little, apart from the usual club meetings on the calendar for next week. The event of the holidays as usual will be the Elks' Christmas dance to be given Tuesday evening, December 28 at the hall. The committee in charge is planning to make this dance the largest and most elaborate in the social history of the lodge.

The school boys and girls home for the week or two of holiday are enjoying small informal gatherings after the manner of the various crowds and the older folks find these little parties much to their taste. Christmas among Wichita Falls folk is being spent merrily if there is something of lack of brilliant social affairs.

LUNCHEON FOR LITTLE SISTERS TUESDAY

Mrs. Burton Statton was hostess to the Little Sisters Tuesday afternoon, entertaining them at a perfectly appointed one o'clock luncheon. The afternoon was spent with sewing and as this was the first meeting of the Little Sisters in some time there was much which the girls found to discuss. Those present were: Misses Genevieve Carver, Lillian McGregor, Kathleen Blair, Bess Kell and Bertha Mae Kemp.

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EPIDEMIC OF GRIPPE IS REPORTED IN MANY CITIES

Washington, Dec. 2.—With epidemics of grippé—the old fashioned "influenza"—our grandmothers knew—reported in various parts of the United States and others threatened, red flag warnings were given by Dr. W. C. Rucker, assistant surgeon general of the United States public health service.
Camden, N. J., Jackson, Miss., and a number of Middle Western cities have reverted serious grippé epidemics to the health service.
"Grippé is not to be sneezed at," Dr. Rucker declared. "The latest statistics show it causes death of

URGES GERMAN SOLDIERS TO GET OUT OF TRENCHES

Rotterdam, Dec. 2.—A Christmas manifesto, calling upon every German soldier to quit the trenches and depose the Kaiser "from the throne he has fouled" was issued this week by an organization called "The German Humanity League." It was signed by Karl Bernstein and nine others.
"On the eve of Christmas, when the bloodstained monarchs are exchanging messages of peace and good will with the sovereign pontiff at Rome," read the manifesto, "our brave soldiers are still shedding their life blood as the pawns of a ruthless clique, without

CHRISTMAS MANIFESTO IS ISSUED BY "HUMANITY LEAGUE"—WANTS KAISER DEPOSED.

shame or pity for the widows and orphans of the fatherland. Our homes are still being desolated.
"This campaign is not waged in lawful defense of German territory, but to satisfy the insatiable and savage greed of Prussian conspirators.
"Today the German name is the scorn of civilization. The German flag has become the emblem of infamy. German chivalry is buried in the trenches of Flanders and the village grave plots of Belgium.
"We are loathed by all honest men. Napoleon failed. The Kaiser must fail. There can be no peace until he is deposed from the throne! he has fouled and his fellow conspirators have met their fate at the hands of the executioner."
LADIES! TAKE CAPUDINE FOR ACHE AND PAIN. ALSO RELIEVES THE NERVOUSNESS. IT'S LIQUID—NOT NARCOTIC.

AMERICAN TAX PRODUCTION ASSUMES IMPORTANCE

By Associated Press. Pittsburgh, Penn., December 25.—The temporary retirement of Germany from the toy trade of the United States has built up in the Pittsburgh district a toy manufacturing industry which is rapidly assuming important proportions. Many factories are engaged in the new industries and orders have been in excess of producing capacity.

INDOOR TENNIS TOURNAMENT OPENS MONDAY

By Associated Press. New York, December 25.—Details were announced today for the first national junior indoor lawn tennis championships of the United States which will be played here beginning Monday. Sixty college freshmen and school boys including many of the best young players in the east are in the list of entrants.

AT THE THEATERS

"SEPTEMBER MORN" IS NEXT THURSDAY'S OFFERING

Next Thursday night the Wichita Theatre offers "September Morn," a clever, strange melange—farceful comedy, travesty and pantomime, set to music and further enlivened by frequent dancing numbers, in which all the modern dances figure largely. The play is by Arthur Gilpin who contributes the book and lyrics, and Aubrey Stauffer, who composed the musical settings. It comes to us almost direct from the La Salle Opera House, Chicago, where the piece established itself as a prime favorite in its long run covering 256 consecutive performances. The company is under the personal direction of Martin & Lemle and, with the exception of a minor change or two its cast of principals remains the same as that which gave the play its premier in Chicago.

It has been characterized by many clever reviewers as being quite the brightest and breeziest musical comedy of the season. On the whole, "September Morn" is to be commended for those who like it is a sort of thing—"exactly this sort of thing" being an evening of extravagant farce and travesty, music that slips along in a riotous tangle of melody as does all the tango tunes, out of which it is made, and dancing that is spirited and expert.

"September Morn's" company includes a large cast of principals, and with its coryphees numbers over forty people. The big chorus and corps d' ballet were splendidly drilled by both Frank Tannabill, Jr., who staged the piece, and Virgil Bennett, the veteran maitre d' ballet, who devised and arranged the dance diversifications. The chorus is said to be one of great beauty—a lovely string with splendid pace and vigorous action.

The piece will be given here with all the original costumes and stage embellishments.

HOBART BOSWORTH AT THE LYDIA MARGARET

Monday's attraction at the Lydia Margaret will be "Colorado." Augustus Thomas' most famous play "Colorado," a story of the mountain country, has been produced in five reels by Director Norval MacGregor from the scenario by Harvey Gates. Hobart Bosworth plays the principal role, supported by Anna Lehr and a sterling cast of players.

"Colorado" contains not one but a dozen exciting scenes, any one of which might be made the "big scene" of some so-called features. Perhaps the most exciting situation in the play is the flood scene, in which thousands of gallons of water are let loose in one great torrent.

Albert MacGarrigle, who enacted the role of Staples in the play, takes his life in his hands when this flood bears down upon him and carries him with terrific speech down a gully in the midst of rolling logs and bushes torn from the hillside.

"Colorado" was first produced on the legitimate stage in 1901, and at that time created a sensation among dramatic critics. It enjoyed tremendous popularity both in New York and on the road, and the right to produce it in moving pictures has been bitterly contested. The Universal, however, has succeeded in securing Mr. Thomas' consent to the play's production.

DONALD BRIAN AT THE EMPRESS MONDAY

"The Voice in the Fog," the vehicle which presents Donald Brian's talents to Wichita Falls audiences at the Empress Monday tells an unusual story.

The adventures of an impetuous lord, the plottings of a gambler and criminal and woven into a very pretty love story, in which Adda Gleason as "Kitty Killigrew" the American heiress figures to decided advantage.

The development of the plot gives the Lasky directors a welcome opportunity for showing realism in the setting, and for the introduction of those life-like types to which in every Lasky play we look forward as a matter of course. Some of the scenes have been contrived with great originality, notably the fatal ride of the American heiress, the robbery of the Moncton pendant and "the voice in the fog." In the trying moment when a mysterious hand reaches into her cab out of the fog and the darkness of London to steal her pendant the American heiress hears a man's voice and the words of the voice appear in heavy frosting on the window of the cab. The voice never leaves the memory of the heiress and her recognition of it in the midst of a most bewildering situation leads to the denouement and the climax of the play. "The Voice in the Fog" is a feature which gives the exhibitor full value and makes an evening's entertainment for the audience.

HAZEL DAWN AT THE EMPRESS WEDNESDAY

"The Fatal Card" will be the Wednesday attraction at the Empress.

For the first time in the history of feature motion pictures, two stage stars of such individual importance as John Mason and Hazel Dawn have been jointly presented in a photoplay and that no less important a dramatic work, "The Fatal Card" the great dramatic triumph by C. Hardison Chambers and R. C. Stephenson, the latest Paramount picture produced by the Famous Players Film Company.

No better or more complete a dramatic production has ever been seen on the screen. John Mason in the famous characterization of George Forrester, later known as Marlowe, presents a psychological character study that is simply perfect, while Hazel Dawn, in the role of his daughter, displays the delightful charm and finely developed dramatic power she has indicated in previous Famous Players productions.

Ably directed by James Kirkwood, every element of dramatic interest or power in the original drama has been carefully preserved, while some of the absorbing episodes only suggested in the stage version of the successful play have been amplified

in its picturization, so that it may be truthfully said that the screen offering is far more comprehensive in interest and greater in strength than the original.

ROBERT MANTELL AT THE MAJESTIC THEATRE TUESDAY

The story of "The Blindness of Devotion" which will show at the Majestic Tuesday in which the celebrated dramatic star, Robert Mantell and the beautiful Genevieve Hamper make their first screen appearances under the exclusive management of William Fox, is one that combines beauty, love, hatred, revenge and action. It contains magnificent settings, superb drama and the photography is faultless, comprising as it does all the resources in command of the director of the picture, J. Gordon Edwards.

Briefly told, the story of "The Blindness of Devotion" which is by Rex Ingram, the well known novelist and playwright is as follows:

General Cavaux, a noble old soldier, dies leaving his son Pierre alone in the world. Count de Covary, a brother officer of the dead general, adopts Pierre, who grows to manhood in the care of the kindly count. As the years pass by the count becomes desperately infatuated with Renee Delavoix, an adventuress. On her account he fights a duel with Gauguin, a man about town and is severely wounded. While he is recovering from his wound, Renee visits him and the count's infatuation for the adventuress becomes more desperate than ever. In the meantime, Bella, the count's beautiful niece, and Pierre have fallen in love. The count is called to the city from his country estate on an urgent errand connected with military affairs. Pierre, who was supposed to have left his guardian's place to join the regiment of which he is an officer, meets Renee when she makes a flying visit to the count's estate during the count's absence. On his return from the city he discovers Renee, the woman he loves to distraction clasped in Pierre's arms. The discovery of the liaison is shared by Bella, who bravely says: "In spite of all, Pierre, I will marry you to save my uncle's honor, but I will be your wife in name only."

The marriage of Pierre and Bella arouses the sleeping demon that lurks in Renee's soul. She plans to poison the count, whom she blames for robbing her of Pierre's affection. She places poison in a cup from which he is about to drink, but the count, who has been watching her in the mirror, changes the cups and in the process drains the poisoned vessel to the dregs. A climax of overwhelming power and tremendous dramatic forces follows this striking situation. Rarely, if ever, has a screen drama been brought to such a pitch of dramatic and thrilling realism.

"THE APACHES OF PARIS" AT THE GEM MONDAY

Arthur Houseman and Marion Whitney play the lead roles in a four part Broadway Favorites drama, "The Apaches of Paris." Joseph Smith and Laura Hamilton, famous dancers have a specialty in this picture. The story is given.

In his effort to ensnare Paula, an American girl studying music in Paris, Darcelle intercepts her mail and steals the money sent her from America. When financial reverses befall the Farrells they send Paula her passage money and urge her to return home. This money is stolen by Darcelle. Desperate and anxious to aid her mother and sister, the girl falls a victim to the scoundrel's wiles. Mrs. Farrell dies believing that her daughter has achieved success abroad.

Marjorie, Paula's sister, unexpectedly comes to Paris to live with her, Paula endeavors to hide her secret but it is revealed when Austin, a young American who loves her, learns of the girl's affair with Darcelle. Late that night, half crazed as the result of the denouement, Paula visits a cafe and witnesses a performance of the "Dance of the Apaches." The fate which is meted out to the male Apache deeply impresses the girl.

During her absence Darcelle whose eyes have turned towards Marjorie, enters Paula's apartment. Confronted by the scoundrel, Marjorie stabs and mortally wounds herself to escape him. Darcelle flees just before the older sister returns. Dying, Marjorie tells her story to Paula. Remembering the fate dealt out to the Apache, the girl vows to slay her sister's murderer.

The police have been looking for Darcelle and the man takes refuge in Paula's apartment. The girl's attempt to slay him fails. Austin, who aids the police, enters the apartment with the latter just in time to save Paula's life. Darcelle leaps from a window in trying to escape and is killed. Austin learns Paula's story and forgives her.

EMMY WEHLEN TO STAR AT LYDIA MARGARET

Friday, Dec. 31 Miss Emmy Wehlen will be starred at the Lydia Margaret in her newest Metro production, "Tables Turned." Miss Wehlen is one of the youngest and latest additions to the Metro Film Company's list of stars. With her will be in the cast of "Tables Turned," H. Cooper Cliffe, the English dramatic actor, Walter Hitchcock and Leslie Austen.

DOCK WORKER ACCIDENTALLY SHOTS AND KILLS HIMSELF

By Associated Press. John Ryan, 66 years old, a dock worker, accidentally shot himself through the stomach early today and died at a local hospital a few hours later.

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EXPECT DEVELOPMENTS IN GASOLINE PROBE
By Associated Press. Austin, Texas, December 25.—Developments are daily expected by state authorities here from the attorney general's probe into the so-called gasoline trust in this state. The investigation has been in progress about two months, during which time the price of gasoline has continued to soar until it is quoted at 21 cents per gallon at several points. It is understood the attorney general's department already is in possession of sufficient evidence to start prosecutions, but heads of that department prefer to secure additional evidence before starting any move. When the probe started gasoline was selling at thirteen cents. Automobile owners are especially loud in their protest at the stiff price of the commodity.

NEW ELECTRIC ROAD IS OPENED IN OKLAHOMA
By Associated Press. Shamrock, Ok., December 25.—The first train over the Okla. and Ok. Fields Electric Railroad was to reach here this morning, according to plans by the management of the line. The line will extend from Tulsa to this place.



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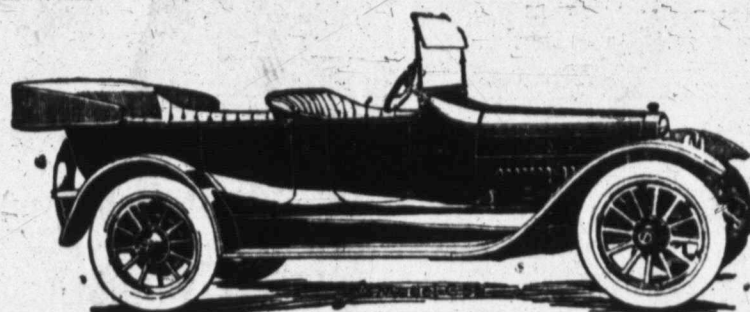
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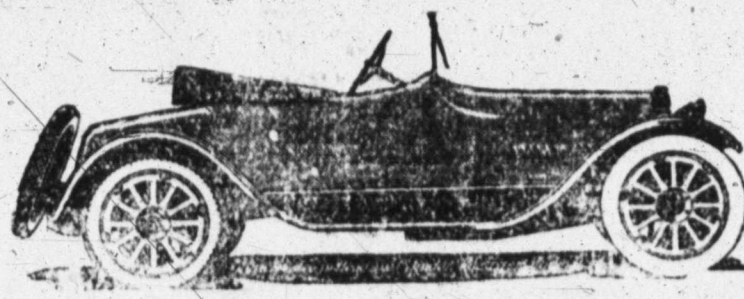
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HE HAD SHOT A WHITE MAN

John McLeod, the Victim Shot Near Heart and Bullet Passed Through His Body.

While angry and determined white men scoured the country between Seymour and Throckmorton early this morning in automobiles, Sheriff W. L. Ellis of Baylor county and E. L. Craddock, former sheriff of that county sped toward Wichita Falls with "Bud" Collins, a negro, covering in the bottom of their automobile. Collins had shot John McLeod, a popular young white man of Seymour. A mob of whites sought his life.

A number of Seymour young men were giving their annual Christmas dance in the old opera house at Seymour Friday night. Collins was the janitor. During the evening he imbibed too freely from a flask that probably came from Wichita Falls and at the close of the dance at about 2 o'clock Saturday morning Collins was drunk and ugly. Becoming enraged when reprimanded he drew a revolver and fired two shots. One of them struck young McLeod in the breast near the heart coming out at his back. In the excitement Collins escaped. Angry posses of white men searched the town for the negro but Sheriff Ellis and Mr. Craddock were alone when they found Collins at about 4 o'clock this morning hiding under a bed in a negro cabin at the edge of Seymour.

Leaving Craddock to guard Collins, Sheriff Ellis left the jail with his automobile pretending that he had the negro with him. He left town as if starting for Throckmorton, turning after getting outside of the city limits and coming back past the spot where he had left Craddock with the negro. The negro was loaded into the automobile and the sheriff and the ex-sheriff got off undetected toward Wichita Falls. They drove to Fulda where they placed the negro on the northbound Wichita Valley train and came with him to Wichita Falls. Collins is now in jail here and will be kept here until it is thought safe to return him to Seymour. Automobile loads of white men are reported to have scoured the roads around Seymour for several hours Saturday morning.

A telephone message from Seymour last night said that young McLeod was resting well and that his chances for recovery were good.

At The Churches

St. John's Baptist Church will hold services Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Rev. R. C. Miller will preach. Ada Williams of Pittsburg, Texas, will sing. Chorus of jubilee singers will aid with the music. Special arrangements for seating white people will be made.

First Presbyterian Church. The pastor will be in his pulpit both morning and evening. At the morning hour the theme will be "The Fulness of Time." There will be no prayer meeting next Wednesday night. The Session and Trustees are to have a joint meeting at the close of the evening service.

First Baptist Church. Sunday school at 9:30. If you appreciate your Sunday school and what old Santa did for you be sure and come Sunday morning and thank him for it. Preaching by the pastor at 11. This is to be a special sermon for the last Sunday in the year, every body is invited to hear it. The evening hour 7:30 will be given to a

Christmas Cantata. This is very fine and there will be a good seat for you if you will come for it in time. Prayer meeting Wednesday 7:30 subject "Looking Back at Our Lives for the Past Year." Beginning next Sunday morning the pastor will teach a Bible class in the Sunday school using the Sunday school lessons but will teach one week ahead of the school at 11th year. Next Sunday he will teach the lesson for January 2nd, then on January 2nd he will teach the one for January 9th, and so on through the year. The lesson for next Sunday in his class will be "The Ascending Lord" found in the Acts 1:1-14. The men are invited to join this class for the year.

(Lutheran Church (Mo. Synod) On Christmas Eve we will have a special Christmas program rendered by the school and Sunday school at 7 o'clock sharp. On Christmas Day there will be services in the German language at 10:30 a. m. and in the English language at 2:30 p. m. Sunday school (German and English classes) at 9 a. m. Bible class at 9:45 a. m. German morning worship at 10:30 a. m. All the young people of the congregation are requested to meet at the church Friday afternoon at 2. A cordial invitation is extended to everyone to celebrate Christmas with us.

C. M. BEYER, Pastor.

Lutheran Trinity Church. Friday at 6 p. m., Christmas tree services and Sunday school program. Saturday at 10 a. m., Christmas services and communion. A cordial invitation to worship with us is extended to all.

F. A. BRACHER, Pastor.

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Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. There will be some special music at the evening service. We also expect to continue the meetings throughout the coming week. A cordial invitation to all who see this notice to be present at these services. Come and let us have a good time together.

JAS. N. COOPER, Pastor.

Christian Science. Services are held in the church edifice corner Ninth and Lamar as follows: Subject, "Christian Science." 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.

First Christian Church. Bible school at 9:30. Regular morning services at 11. Cantata in the evening by the young people of the church "In David's Royal City." The public is invited.

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INSURE ART TREASURES AGAINST AIR ATTACKS

By Associated Press. Basel, Switzerland, Dec. 25.—A million and a quarter dollars insurance against damage to artistic treasures as the result of air raids has been taken out by the Swiss government and private people at Basel. A great many valuable paintings, tapestries and art objects have been taken from museums and preserved in the city in plain sight of the city in squadrons.

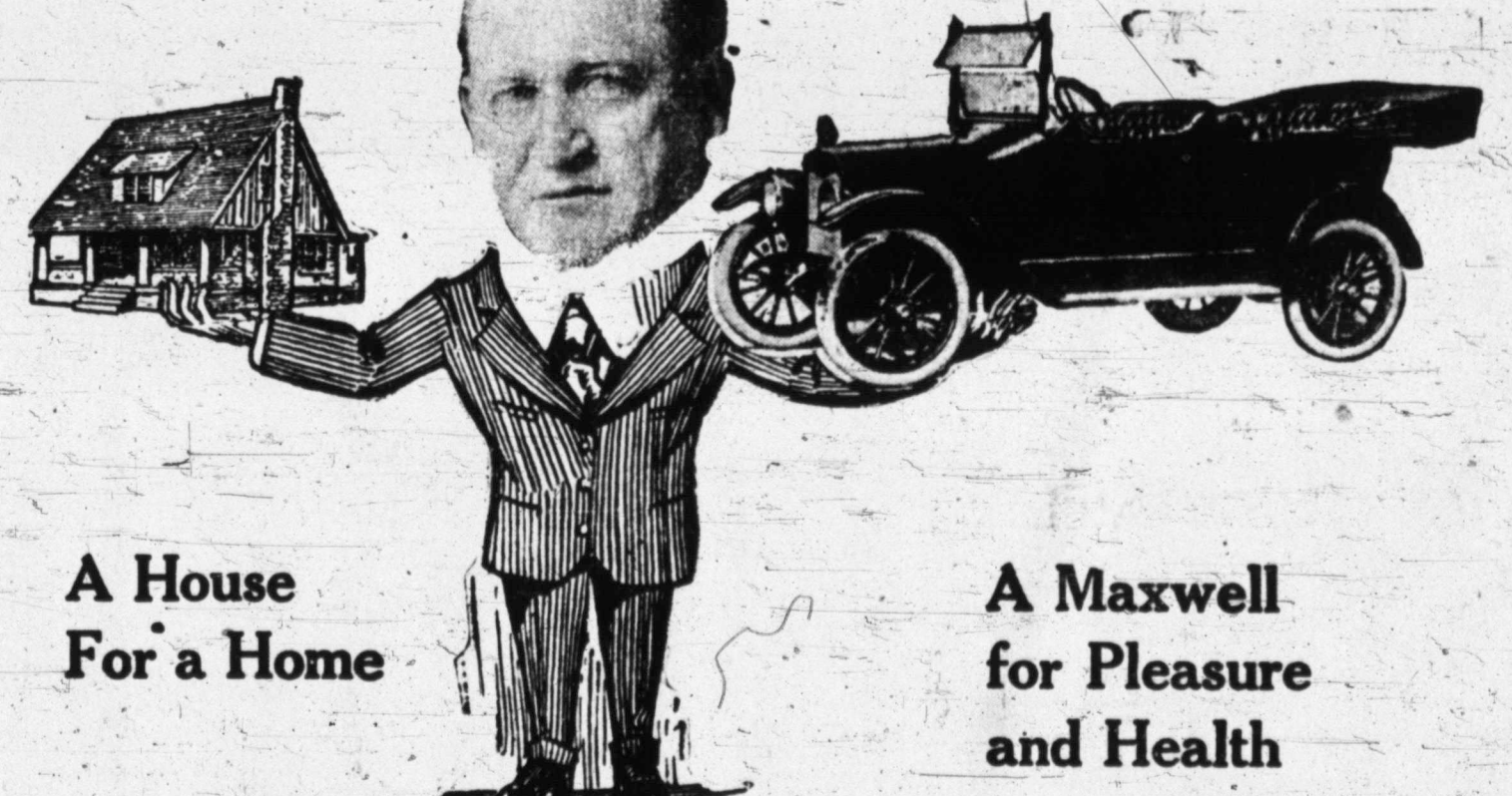
The passage of French or German aviators near Basel is now almost a daily occurrence, the French taking that route toward the Rhine, and the Germans, bound for Belfort. The people of Basel are probably the best posted in the world regarding prospective air raids as in nearly every such case the aviators pass in plain sight of the city in squadrons.

CARRANZA OFFICIALS CELEBRATE AT JAUREZ El Paso, December 25.—Christmas in the town of Jaurez, recently sur-

rendered by officers of General Francisco Villa, was marked by the appearance of military and civil officials of the de facto Mexican government from El Paso. Andreas De Garca, Mexican consul and staff, escorted General Ysabel Robles, across the international bridge. A reception to which the residents of the town were invited was held at military headquarters.

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ONE NEGRO KILLED ANOTHER FATALLY WOUNDED SATURDAY

STABBING AND SHOOTING OCCUR IN CLOSE PROXIMITY ONE FOLLOWING OTHER WITHIN FEW MINUTES

TRAGEDIES NOT CONNECTED

Isaiah Johnson Stabbed to Death—Otto Harris Shot Five or Six Times and Likely to Die—Negro Woman Also Cut in Her Face

A few minutes after Isaiah Johnson, a negro, was stabbed to death on the railroad tracks just east of the Wichita Mill at about 3:30 Saturday afternoon, Otto Harris, another negro, was pumped full of bullets in the "Mint" restaurant less than 200 yards away. Johnson was killed almost instantly. Harris was taken to the hospital with five or six bullet holes in his body. One of them penetrated his bowels and it was not believed that he could survive last night. Monty Mitchell is in jail for the shooting of Harris. Several negroes are being held in connection with the death of Johnson. Several negroes on Mulberry avenue about a hundred yards from the scene of the killing of Johnson told the officers they saw two negroes apparently in an argument. Then they saw one back the other against the side of a box car after which they separated. One, Johnson, staggered across the railroad tracks and fell at a distance of about thirty paces. The other turned and walked down the railroad track toward the station. Johnson was dead when those who ran to his assistance reached him. He had been stabbed once through the heart and cut once across the hip.

A negro who claimed to have been present when Johnson was stabbed is being held. He said he was walking along the track and saw Johnson and another negro in an argument. As he passed them he said Johnson cried to him "Don't let him kill me, don't let him kill me." He said the other negro who was larger than Johnson apparently shoved him and Johnson staggered across the track and fell while the negro who had stabbed him turned and walked rapidly down the railroad tracks toward the station turning into Eleventh street.

Another negro who was taken into custody at the same time as this negro said that he thought the latter had been engaged with other negroes in an argument. After he had walked past them, this negro who is being held, called him back, he said pointing to Johnson, then lying on the ground, saying that another negro had stabbed him. Other negroes are being detained for investigation. Johnson was a yellow-complected negro rather below medium stature. He lived with his wife in a servant's house at the rear of John Kay's residence on Austin street.

Johnson had scarcely breathed his last before Otto Harris was shot by Monty Mitchell in the Mint cafe at the rear of a barber shop on Mulberry run by a negro named Williams. It appears from the statements made by negroes that Harris and Mitchell had quarreled just before the shooting at Steve's pool hall just across the street. Mitchell is said to have struck Harris on the hand when he came into the pool hall where Harris was standing. Harris resented the familiarity and hit Mitchell in the mouth. The two were separated by other negroes and both soon left the place. Harris walked across the street to the cafe at the rear of the barber shop. Pretty soon Mitchell entered the barber shop from the front drawing a 38-automatic from his pocket as he walked toward the door at the rear opening into the restaurant. Opening the door he began to fire at Harris who was sitting on a stool at the counter only a few feet away. Harris dropped to the floor. Mitchell continuing to fire until his revolver was empty. He then turned and walked back into the barber shop apologizing to the

proprietor of the shop for the shooting but saying that he could not stand for a negro to hit him in the mouth.

Harris was taken to the hospital bullet holes were found in his legs, hips and abdominal region. One of the bullets had torn through his bowels. His recovery would be considered almost a miracle. It was first believed that the shooting of Harris grew out of the killing of Johnson as Mitchell and Johnson were said to have been friends. This theory, however, has not been substantiated.

Mitchell is the negro who fired at another negro at the Capital Bar Thursday night. He was arrested only Saturday morning and a six-shooter found at his home and taken up by the officers. Mitchell gave bond and was released. Harris at the county hospital last night told the officers that he knew nothing of the killing of Johnson.

A DANGEROUS MISTAKE

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Hog raising as an industry has made vast strides in this county within the past five years and there are few farmers now who have not their hog pen. Wichita county ships many cars of hogs annually to Fort Worth and Kansas City and the raising of hogs is becoming more and more general. There was a time when Wichita county farmers bought what pork they ate, and their only acquaintance with the delicacies above enumerated was in the memories of their boyhood days when hog killing time was the big season on the gastronomic calendar. Incidentally in those boyhood days it was customary for the farmer after slaughtering the piglets to drop around to the newspaper office with a set of ribs, or a bonquet of cracklins, or perhaps just a pie-bellied but pulchritudinous ham. The revival of this excellent custom is favored in many quarters.

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APPOINTEE ADDRESSES CROWD

Friends Meet Train With Brass Band and Extend Welcome in Hearty Manner

A hastily organized but none the less elaborate reception was tendered Judge William N. Bonner Saturday afternoon when he returned from Austin, where on Friday afternoon he was appointed by Governor Ferguson as district judge of the 30th judicial district. When news of the appointment was received through the Times Friday afternoon Judge Bonner's friends felt that the return of the appointee should be signaled in some way, and arranged a reception in his honor.

A large crowd, accompanied by a brass band, was at the station and surrounded Judge Bonner as he stepped from the train. Congratulatory handshakes were in order for quite awhile, hundreds of friends expressing their gratification. All proceeded to the corner of Eighth and Indiana, preceded by the band, and Judge Bonner was presented to the crowd by E. B. Carver.

Judge Bonner expressed his gratitude at the reception tendered him, and said that much as he felt he had been honored by the appointment, it was worth still more to know that he enjoyed the love and esteem of those who knew him best. Referring to the fact that he is the youngest district judge in Texas, if not the youngest man ever to hold that office, Judge Bonner said that this, while a distinction of which he was proud, would not help him to fill the office. He expected many difficulties at first, he declared, but promised that if exerting all his mental and physical abilities could result in satisfactory service, the people would never regret that the appointment had been given him. He referred to Governor Ferguson as one of the greatest governors Texas had ever had and this reference elicited cheers from the crowd. Judge Bonner closed by again thanking his hearers for their reception.

Judge Bonner will probably be sworn in early in January. Judge Akin's resignation being effective on January 1st. While accurate information on the subject is not available, it is believed he is the youngest Texan ever to serve in such a capacity, being just 37 years old.


KELL AND CULBERTSON HAVE LEFT FOR ENGLAND

Will Sail For Liverpool From New York on Steamer New York, December 31.

Frank Kell left last night for New York City, whence he will sail next Saturday on the liner New York for London. J. G. Culbertson has already left for New York and will make the trip with him. The nature of the business which calls them abroad has not been disclosed, but is understood to be in connection with motor truck contracts for the British government. They will return as early as possible. Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Mytinger will accompany Mr. Kell as far as Chicago.

PRISON SYSTEM RAPIDLY BECOMING SELF SUSTAINING

By Associated Press. Austin, Texas, December 25.—The prison system of Texas is rapidly getting on a self sustaining basis under the plan of Governor Ferguson to provide work for all the convicts, says J. C. Haynes, chief clerk of the prison commission. The governor has within the past several months purchased upwards of 15,000 acres of fertile farm land situated in the Brazos Valley bottoms where hundreds of previously idle prisoners have been given employment. Shoes, furniture and other prison factories also are in full operation.



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Legal Notices

Annual stockholders meeting of First National 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. T. J. TAYLOR, Cashier.

Notice of Stockholders Annual Meeting—Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of The Times Publishing Co., will be held at the office of the company in Wichita Falls, Texas, on Monday, January 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. RHEA HOWARD, Sec. and Treas.

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.

Notice of Stockholders Meeting—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Wichita Falls Sash and Door company will be held at the office of Anderson & Patterson, 616 8th street, Wichita Falls, Texas, on the second Tuesday in January, same being the 11th day of said month, at 10 a. 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 them. V. H. SHEPHERD, Secretary.

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War's Demands Upon Male Population Gives Varied Employment to Women

By Associated Press. Zurich, Switzerland, Dec. 25.—With the new levy in Austria-Hungary drawing away yet many thousands more men from civil occupations, the demand for female help has been further increased. Women are now not only welcomed, but are eagerly sought for in various fields of industry and commerce from which they were previously sternly excluded. But at the same time they have been given to understand that this is only a temporary condition, and they must be prepared to make room for the men, when these come back from the field.

Amateur women photographers have become assistants to doctors in X-ray work and in electro-therapeutic treatment. In Graz special courses of instruction in photography are being given for this work. The women are taught by university professors and receive certificates attesting their fitness.

The capable housewife no longer remains at home; her services have been found valuable in taking the domestic management of hospitals and sanatoriums, and convalescent homes. If living in the country, she devotes herself to raising poultry and eggs or fruit growing. The agricultural colleges are constantly increasing their number of women students. People who hitherto opposed the idea of women learning gardening are now applying to the colleges for them. Young women have already done extremely well as landscape gardeners. A specialist for them has recently been opened in Vienna.

CHILDRESS COWBOY 87 YEARS OLD ON CHRISTMAS DAY

Childress, Texas, Dec. 25.—Pierce Barton, said to be America's oldest cowboy, is celebrating his 87th Christmas here today. Barton is employed on a ranch near here and spends 12 hours a day in the saddle.

GERMANY DENIES FOMENTING PLOTS IN UNITED STATES

Claims It Has Never Knowingly Accepted Support From Those in Conspiracies

New York, Dec. 25.—The following authorized statement by wireless from Berlin has been received: "The German government naturally has never knowingly accepted the support of any persons, group or persons, society, or organization seeking to promote the cause of Germany in the United States by illegal acts, by counsel of violence, by contravention of law or by any means whatever that could offend the American people.

"If it should be improper to have been committed by representatives of the German government the could be easily dealt with. To an complaints upon proof as may be submitted by the American government suitable response will be duly made. "As is well known, the means of communication between Germany and the United States are very unsatisfactory. It is practically impossible for the German government to keep itself in touch with American sentiment; it has often to depend upon the foreign press for news of an American affairs.

"The message of President Wilson to Congress in which the activities of German sympathizers in the United States were discussed will serve as an illustration. There was received in Germany, a brief summary of those passages which referred to plots and conspiracies against peace and order in the United States and the effect produced thereby upon sentiment in Germany was probably more painful than the American government knew.

CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES AT THE WHITE HOUSE

Washington, December 25.—Christmas festivities at the White House today were devoted largely to the entertainment of President Wilson's grandchildren, little Miss Ellen McAllen and Master Francis Sayre, and Miss Josephine Catron, a grand niece of 12 years. I. H. Hoover, chief usher at the White House, played Santa Claus in the absence of the president.

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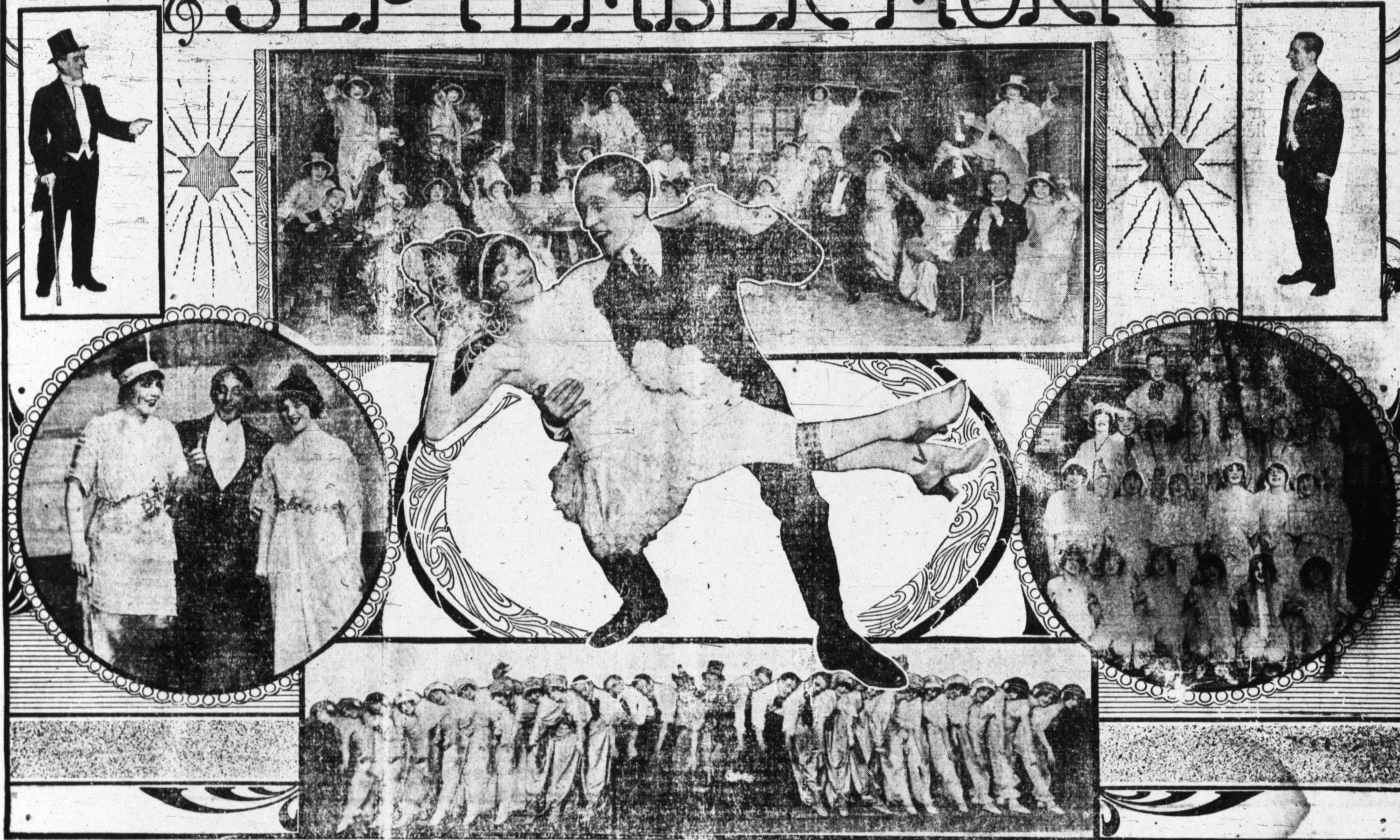
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