

ADVOCATE CLOSER CO-OPERATION BY OIL MEN AND CITY

QUESTION IS DISCUSSED AT MEETING OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

INVITATION IS EXTENDED

Oil Men Are Requested To Use Facilities of the Organization at Any Time.

Closer co-operation than ever before between the business men of Wichita Falls and the oil men of this district was expected by the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce in their regular weekly meeting held this morning. An invitation to the oil men to join the Chamber of Commerce and make use of all of its different departments and sources of research and advertising was endorsed, the form to be sent in a letter to individuals, and also to be given to the press, being distributed by Secretary Johnson, and read to the directors. The Chamber of Commerce is at present at work on the question of more railroad facilities, and better service to the local field from Dallas and Fort Worth, and from this city to the central Texas oil fields, and these and similar endeavors, for the benefit of the oil interests, will be given the closest attention of the organization. It was stated.

The invitation to the oil men to affiliate themselves with the Chamber of Commerce, and the pledge of that body for service for the oil interests, as endorsed, this morning, follows: Invitation Extended.

The Chamber of Commerce enters upon the work of the new year with a full sense of its responsibility to the oil interests of this territory.

It is hoped that without exception the oil men will become members of the Chamber of Commerce for 1919. Their interests are mutual and only by becoming identified with the business interests of Wichita Falls, can the oil men hope to secure that support, co-operation and protection which is essential to the proper development and protection of the oil industry.

The Chamber of Commerce offers the Oil Men a full measure of service and co-operation along the following lines:

Legislative Protection: The Chamber of Commerce will undertake to present to the State Legislature and to the National Congress facts and figures, personally presented in any case where the interests of the oil men are involved. The Chamber of Commerce reserves the right to first decide the merits of any case before undertaking to represent the side of the oil men.

Information: The Chamber of Commerce will, as soon as possible secure detail maps of all counties where oil developments are underway or contemplated. The Chamber of Commerce will subscribe for all oil publications. It will also secure copies of all acts of Congress and the Legislature affecting the oil industry. All of the above will be available for the inspection of the oil men who are members of the organization.

Publicity: The Chamber of Commerce will undertake to advertise the oil fields surrounding Wichita Falls, where such advertising will serve the best interests of the oil men. The Publicity Department will be available for consultation and assistance to oil men in planning advertising campaigns without undertaking to sponsor or guarantee the merits of such companies or individuals. Newspaper directories and rate books will be on file for reference. There will also be on file a City Directory Library containing directories of all of the larger cities of Texas and Oklahoma.

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Co-Operation. The influence of the Chamber of Commerce will at all times be available for the purpose of securing better facilities from the railroads, telephone, telegraph and telegraph companies, etc. Office Equipment: The Chamber of Commerce has a complete Multigraph and Mimeograph equipment for circular letters, newspaper articles, etc. It also has an Addressograph with stencils for every newspaper in Texas and a group of the leading citizens in every County in Texas. This equipment is used to address envelopes by machinery. All of these facilities are available to its members at a nominal cost to cover labor and supplies. Inquiries: Thousands of inquiries from all parts of the United States are received by the Chamber of Commerce from people who are trying to ascertain the facts with reference to oil companies and their operations. If such companies and individuals who are members of the Chamber of Commerce will keep this office posted as to its operations, such inquiries may be answered to the satisfaction of all concerned, and much to the benefit of legitimate companies.

**R. H. COLLIER, PRESIDENT
MIDWAY OIL COMPANY**
R. H. Collier is president of the Midway Oil Company, a newly organized company which has a proposition in the Watkins shallow district that is attracting attention. The company has twenty acres under lease in the Watkins well, and is capitalized at \$10,000. There are several wells going down near this acreage, a deep test among them. The company's plan is to drill to the depth of 800 feet unless oil in paying quantities is found at a shallower depth.

**Hammond No. 1
Pays a Second
Dividend Today**

The Hammond Oil Co. No. 1 paid another dividend of 100 per cent today, bringing its dividend payments up to 225 per cent. Yesterday Hammond No. 2 paid a dividend of 100 per cent. These two companies were organized by L. P. Hammond.

**WAGONER AND NILES
ON OFFICIAL BOARD**

In reporting the election of directors and officers in connection with the annual meeting of the Lone Star Refining Co., the name of T. J. Wagoner was omitted from the directorate, as was also that of W. K. Niles, who was elected assistant treasurer of the company. Both gentlemen being among the men who are aiding in the development of this splendid organization.

**REPORT BLOCK 8 WELL
MAKING 750 BARRELS**

Announcement is made by J. C. Dunbar of the Lone Star Oil Co. of the bringing in of their well on block 8 of the old Burk Burnett townsite on the 17th inst. the production being estimated at 750 barrels daily.

Oil and Gas Leases.
Robert E. Fox to A. D. Flynn part of section 5, Tarrant school land \$2000. W. M. Priddy et al to J. B. Donoho west half of east half of east ten-acre tract out of block 101, Red River Valley lands \$12,500.
S. B. and T. L. Burnett to George H. Cook 80 acres out of G. P. Mead section 30, drilling to commence in 30 days from November 25, 1918.



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WATER AT LAKE ALMOST REACHES SPILLWAY TODAY

Augmented by the heavy rain Sunday night the water in Lake Wichita has risen until it has almost reached the spillway. Holiday Creek is still pouring a large volume of water into the lake and it is believed another good rain will start the water going over the spillway.

The country roads are now almost impassable and automobiles coming into town are covered with a thick coating of mud.

BREVITIES

Miss Ruby Sherrill of Dallas left today for Montague after a short visit with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. John Sherrill. No meeting of the Wichita Club will be held tomorrow on account of Christmas. It is also improbable that the weekly luncheon will be held next week, but plans are being made for a big meeting early in the new year. Misses Gleyth and Thalia Kearby of Comanche, Texas, were visitors in Wichita Falls for the Peery-Johnson wedding Sunday.

The Public Library will be closed all day the twenty-fifth. It was announced today. Allen is at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Allen, 1105 Holiday, for the holidays from Kemper, Booneville, Mo., where he has been attending school. One speeder was fined \$10 in police court this morning, this constituting the entire docket.

Mrs. T. M. Smyre leaves tomorrow morning for a month's visit with relatives and friends at Tyler, Texas. Miss Carrie Hacker, of the Freear Furniture store, will spend the holiday week with relatives in Dallas. Mr. and Mrs. M. Feldman and daughters, Miss Bessie and Miss Fannie, and two sons, of Dallas, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kruger for the holidays.

Vanclave leases, south of road, blocks 102 and 103, Room 408 K. & K. Bldg. Phone 71 and Phone 20. 182-1f.

Wichita Falls Boy Writes Mother From German Prison Camp

Officially reported "missing in action," Corporal J. T. Picklin, of Wichita Falls, was captured by Germans, after being wounded in the thigh, and on October 16 was in a German prison camp at Bad Kreuznach, according to a letter received Saturday by Corporal Picklin's mother, Mrs. Ida Picklin. This letter, the first word received from the Wichita Falls boy since the official notice, was over two months on its way but carries the good news that the boy is doing well, and is being treated well. He is believed to be the only boy from this city who fell into German hands. He was captured on the same day, and in the same engagement, that Lieutenant Pat Carrigan lost his life, having been in one of the local companies of the 142nd Infantry.

This letter followed October 16, 1918.

Dear Mother: I will drop you a few lines to let you know that I am still alive. I am a prisoner of Germany. I was wounded and captured the 8th day of October. I was shot through the left thigh with a machine gun. I am in the hospital at Bad Kreuznach, Germany. I am feeling fine, able to sit up and am getting along fine. I am in the room with two Englishmen and five French. The Englishmen are certainly fine fellows. I sure have a fine nurse. She is a German nurse, but she was born in Egypt. Mother, I went over the top five times before I was captured. Harvey was with me when I went over the last time. But I haven't seen him since, and don't guess I will until peace is declared. John Hughes, they sure treat me fine over here in Germany. When you hear from Harvey write and tell him that I was wounded and captured by the Germans on the 8th day of October.

Well, Mother, I will close for this time. Tell everybody hello. And will be home as soon as peace is declared. You can write to me as often as you want. I will write twice a month. My address is like this: CORP. J. T. PICKLIN, Res. Laz. H., St. Marienworth, Bad Kreuznach, A. D. Nahe, Germany.

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AUTHORITY GIVEN TO AGAIN EXTEND RED CROSS DRIVE

Authority to extend the Red Cross Christmas Roll Call to January 15, or even to January 31, was given to W. D. Cline, county chairman for Wichita, in a telegram received Monday night for J. L. Johnston of St. Louis, the division director. The Roll Call is failing to meet with the response hoped for in all sections. It is understood, and Mr. Johnston, understanding the difficulties that

have been met with, including the weather and the influenza epidemic that has swept the entire country, has ordered this extension of time, leaving the action up to the county directors' judgment. Mr. Cline this morning stated that he would defer action on the extension until after the Christmas holidays are over, and if he decides that Wichita Falls and the county would make a better showing if the campaign is prolonged he will make plans accordingly after the first of the year. No report was had from Iowa Park, Burkburnett or Electra with regard to the campaign up to noon today. Mr. Cline stated, but these sections were working yesterday. Wichita Falls report up to the close of Monday, December 23, showed less than 6,000 members.

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MEMORIAL

OUR WISH TO YOU

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The Sandman Story For To-Night

THE WISDOM OF TEDDY BEAR.

In an attic at the top of a big house one night, when the moonlight was streaming in through a window, a great discussion was going on among the toys that had lived there for ever so long without any one playing with them.



"IT WILL BE NICE WHEN THE WEATHER COMES TO A STOP."

"Where did they go? That is what I should like to be told," said Big Wax Doll. "The little girl who used to dress and undress me has not been near me for so long I fear my clothes have grown on me."

"To catch Bunnies," said Rocking Horse, from his corner where he had stood with his nose to the wall so long. "Hunters do not catch children, but I am sure I can tell you what has become of them, they have run away."

"Just before I came here I heard their mother say one day, 'Grown-Up Land is no place for you, Teddy, you must go to the attic with the other toys, and I saw the tears come into her eyes when she picked me up and brought me up here.'

"It must be since our children have never come back," said Teddy Bear. "I am sure however, they are happy there, so I think we should not fret but be glad we have a nice place in which to live."

Tomorrow's story: "Nicky Crow Steals a Home."

ALLEGED STILL IS CAPTURED TODAY ON INDIANA AVE.

A gasoline stove, a copper vessel resembling a small water heater, a quantity of copper tubing, a red keg, some empty tin cans and some empty bottles will be an exhibit when Abe and Jake Ratblatt, proprietors of an Indiana avenue junk shop, and A. M. Scott are given a hearing tomorrow before U. S. Commissioner Lantz on a complaint charging them with operating an illicit still.

The Ratblatts were arrested this afternoon when George Snott, special agent of the Department of Justice, Deputy U. S. Marshal W. P. Stokes of Dallas and Deputy U. S. Marshal Arlington raided the junk shop of the Ratblatts and found the apparatus above described. J. T. Pinson and S. H. Scott, residents of the neighborhood of the junk shop, and A. M. Scott, who rooms nearby, were later taken into custody.

Parts of a still were discovered last week at Graham when federal and county officers raided a residence there. Several arrests were made and charges of operating an illicit still preferred. The men under arrest are to be brought here this week for a hearing.

Card of Thanks. We take this means of expressing our appreciation of the kindness and sympathy of our friends and neighbors and of the beautiful floral offerings sent during the illness and death of our daughter and sister, Miss Leta James.

MRS. M. L. JAMES, C. G. JAMES, MR. AND MRS. LIDDELL.

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Hinds Honey and Almond Cream, 60c size 50c
Oriental Cream, \$1.50 size, our price \$1.35
Colgate Tooth Paste, 25c size, our price 20c
Colgate Tooth Paste, medium size, our price 10c
Pebeco Tooth Paste, 60c size, our price 45c
Pepsodent Tooth Paste, 60c size, our price 45c
Wine of Cardui, \$1.00 size, our price 85c
Mentholatum, 25c size, our price 20c
Mentholatum, 50c size, our price 40c
Mentholatum, \$1.00 size, our price 80c
O' Cedar Oil, 25c size, our price 20c
O' Cedar Oil, 50c size, our price 40c
O' Cedar Oil, \$1.00 size, our price 80c
O' Cedar Oil, \$1.50 size, our price \$1.20
O' Cedar Oil, \$2.50 size, our price \$2.10
O' Cedar Mops, \$1.00 size, our price 80c
O' Cedar Mops, \$1.50 size, our price 58c
Horlicks Malted Milk, 50c size, our price 45c
Horlicks Malted Milk, Hospital size, \$3.75, \$3.40
California Syrup Figs, 60c size, our price 50c
Caldwell's Hair Tonic, \$1.00 size, our price 85c
Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, 50c size, our price 45c
Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, \$1.00 size, price 90c
Dodson Liver Tonic, 60c size, our price 50c
Bromo Quinine Tablets, 30c, our price 25c
Nujol American Mineral Oil, 75c size, price 65c
Sal Hepatica, 30c, our price 25c
Sal Hepatica, 60c, our price 50c
Sal Hepatica, \$1.20 size, our price \$1.00
Pinex Cough Syrup, 60c size, our price 50c
Hygeia Nursing Bottle, with nipple complete, 30c
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MERRY CHRISTMAS.

Greeting you, our readers, for the last time before the dawn of Christmas morn, we may extend to one and all the compliments of the season and wish for you a very merry Christmas.

Truly should this be a happy Christmas for all the world. In celebrating the birth of the Savior of mankind, we may also cheerish the splendid and comforting thought of that new-born peace between nations and of the dawn of a new era in the history of nations that carries with it a realization of "peace on earth," and the banishment of the horrors of war for aye, if not forever. Well may we sing: "For lo! the days are hastening on, By prophets-bards foretold, When with the ever-circling years Comes round the age of gold; When peace shall o'er all the earth Its ancient splendors fling, And the whole world send back the song Which now the angels sing."

HAMBONE'S MEDITATIONS

MISS LUCY SAY DE TROUBLE BOUT SOME FOLKS 'IS, WEN UNCLE SAM AX 'EM T CUT DOWN DEY ALLUZ STAHTS CUTTIN' UP!



fore announced, hold their Christmas exercises at the hall tomorrow night at 7:30. All members of the Woodmen or Circle lodges regardless of where they may belong are most cordially invited to attend with their families and children as it is to be such a will delight the small children, there being a Christmas tree and Santa Claus will be in attendance to wait upon them.

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UNDER OBLIGATIONS.

A Negro Parson's Christmas Sermon, I notice dat de wedd'n's rathah chill-some, mo' or less. An' I notice dat de back-log so crackles, Lor' bress! Ole Crimp is on de turnpike an' de from in on de faince. An' Santa Claus soon be hyah, s' chillun had stince. I seed 'im on Ole Massa's ruff, twas jais de oddah night. Wid a span ob bairy rain dyahs, bot' um dapple gray an' white. Dey war hitched to a monsus lookin' alligatah sleigh. An' filled wid gits for de chillun, piled ebery which un way. Hab any ob yo' chillun bin a-sinnin' Or a sassinn' yo' suppearyuhs, or a-grinnin'?

ress for nineteen years, beginning first with the late Alex Kahn. Mr. Hendricks joined him more than fourteen years ago, and in those years the firm has always enjoyed a splendid patronage and the esteem and confidence of the entire business life of the city. Their deal to sell out came up rather unexpectedly, and as a consequence neither of the partners have made arrangements for future business.

WOODMEN CHRISTMAS TREE ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT. The following announcement of Christmas program for the W. O. W. is requested: "W. O. W. Camp 3001, together with Woodmen Circle 1447 will, as heretofore, occupy the location some time during the coming summer."

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Saul's A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year SAUL LEBENSON Saul's

Baum & Gardner Buy the Collier Hendricks Stock

Through a deal consummated yesterday afternoon Baum & Gardner became the owners of the Collier & Hendricks stock, at 802 Indiana Avenue. Involving will begin Thursday and the stock will be taken over as soon as the invoice is finished.

A Christmas Full of Happiness A New Year full of cheer And may the joys that are wished you Keep increasing year by year. Kruger Jewelry Company

Christmas Greetings May this Yuletide be your Happiest and may the New Year bring you joy, unbounded; success in your undertakings; prosperity in abundance. Nunn Electric Co. Telephone 837 816 Indiana Ave.

SOLDIERS WILL BE ENTERTAINED THURSDAY NIGHT

PERFORMANCE BY PANTAGES VAUDEVILLE WITH COM- PLIMENTS RED CROSS.

AT THE WICHITA THEATRE

Few Tickets Will Be Sold to Assist in Defraying Expense of Entertainment.

Wichita Falls Chapter American Red Cross Society extends a cordial invitation to all soldiers and sailors of the American Army and Navy, and their lady friends, to be present at a Thursday Evening, Dec. 26, 1918, Wichita Theatre Presenting Pantages Vaudeville

To extend the Christmas spirit to the soldiers and sailors of the American Army and Navy, the local chapter of the Red Cross Society has made arrangements to entertain all soldiers from all fields, as well as those who have recently returned from service in the various camps, at a theater party to be given Thursday evening at Wichita theatre. The entertainment is given as a compliment to the boys, and is entirely free. The invitation is also extended to the lady friends of soldiers, and each soldier may bring one lady with him.

Pantages Vaudeville. The program includes the regular Pantages vaudeville numbers, consisting of Artraine, equilibristic, pantomimic novelty; Jackie and Billie, the talking birds; Charles Morati, assisted by Prohman Lynton & Co. in "Arts and Stupidity"; Paris Green, songs and talks; Jack Marcus in a one-act musical comedy; and an unusual program of pictures. The entertainment is given on Thursday night instead of Christmas so that a real professional program might be enjoyed.

To care for the expense contingent on such an elaborate entertainment, Messrs. W. M. McGregor, Waiters, Cline and W. W. Silk have guaranteed the payment to the house management, and to relieve these gentlemen of the cost, 500 tickets will be sold to civilians who desire to attend.

Reservation for Soldiers. The entire lower floor and first three rows in the balcony will be reserved for the soldiers and their lady friends, and the tickets sold to civilians will bear admission to the balcony and the gallery. The balcony seats will be sold at \$1.00 each and

gallery seats at 50 cents each. They are now on sale at the Palace drug store. There will be no reservations; each person as he appears at the theater will be given a numbered seat, and in this way it is planned that the persons who buy these tickets, while they will of course not have the most desirable seats, will be complimenting the soldier boys and at the same time assisting the Red Cross society in providing the entertainment. They will also have the opportunity of witnessing one of the best programs yet presented by the Pantages Vaudeville. The arrangements, including the sale of tickets, is being pushed by George H. Hodges, which insures it being a complete success and a good time for everybody.

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM LOCAL PASTOR.

"My Friend: Because I am your friend, let me on the return of the happy Christmas and New Year season, send you the kindest greetings of friendship, with every best wish for your highest happiness and usefulness, always.

"As we pass through these lingering hours of the Old Year and begin the New let us devoutly pray that the spirit of the Angels' Song, 'On earth peace, good will toward men,' may soon become so regnant in all the vast family of humanity, that the nations will now beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks, and war will cease from the world forever.

"For you, as for myself, I would breathe the earnest prayer that you may ever remember what life is for, and be utterly unwilling to turn aside into the bypaths of ease and self-seeking. May your vision of duty be clear, and your purpose steadfast, to know the equitate happiness of helping all the people you can, being high-ly resolved not to waste any gift of life on profitless things. May you live always for the best things, rather than the second best. May you be given the seeing eye, the hearing ear, the understanding heart, that you may not miss the deeper, larger, more vital things of life, and may you escape the narrow, the mean and the foolish. Whatever the pain that may pierce your heart, may you always be able to trace the rain bow through the rain. May you bring the power of an endless life to bear upon the moths and deeds of the earthly life, so that the little things of time, shall be made great and be invested with eternal importance. May you ever implicitly trust Him Who embodies and interprets the everlasting mysteries, and Who is Himself the Light and Wisdom and Refuge of mankind. And, at the end of the earthly, may He turn the blind alley of death into a thoroughfare, that leads not to the twilight, but to the Dawn and the Eternal Homeland.

"Your friends, 'R. W. McCANN, Supply Pastor Floral Heights Baptist Church."

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SALVATION ARMY IS DISTRIBUTING CHRISTMAS CHEER

About ten automobiles loaded with food left the Salvation Army headquarters at the citadel at one-thirty o'clock this afternoon with destinations to some fifty homes in and around the city, and judging from the great piles of flour sacks and the hundreds of packages of canned goods and other food stuffs collected at headquarters this morning, the cars will bring a good amount of very material cheer into those homes.

About a thousand dollars and a great deal of hard work has been spent on this year's Christmas in the army. With the assistance of church committees, army officials have located some fifty families in need of assistance and this afternoon each of the families will be visited by several automobiles each loaded with good things to eat.

It was impossible to collect all the food into one box or package, and for this reason the Christmas cheer will arrive at each home in installments, one car bearing a sack of flour for each home, another bringing the canned goods, and still another bringing a box containing chicken, celery,

bread, etc. Thus a number of cars will make the rounds together, each delivering its own particular brand of Christmas joy. When every Santa Claus and sleigh, disguised as a noble and plain business man of Wichita Falls, has visited a home, there will be left in its larder, a sack of flour and one of meal, coffee, rice, sixteen cans of assorted canned goods, sugar, bacon, bread, a chicken, and a bunch of celery.

By Wednesday evening the citadel hall, now stacked with very plain but equally acceptable gifts will have been turned into a fairy land for some four hundred children, with a large and handsomely decorated tree and toys and treats for every child present. Santa Claus will be there with a number of helpers who will make complete the children's Christmas joy.

Youths Arrested For Theft of Meal Are Given Release


The season and the Christmas spirit went a good part of the way toward paying for a square meal for two hungry boys Sunday evening, the only other payment being a night in jail which doubtless furnished shelter which could not have been had otherwise.

They were fifteen and sixteen years old, they said, and had been working in Burkburnett. According to their story, they had been robbed of all their money last week and were on their way to relatives in south Texas, planning to make the trip by what-

ever means possible. They were in Wichita Falls all day Sunday, penniless, and by supper time were too hungry to have many honest scruples as to how they obtained food. After ordering and doing away with a \$1.50 supper at a local cafe, the boys sent the waitress to the kitchen for still

another course and took advantage of her absence to make a run for the front door. But they were caught and spent Sunday night in jail only to be released after a short examination Monday morning. They showed signs of being hard working youths who had been faced with the greatest hard-

ship to which young boys can be subjected, and officials at the city court, feeling that the season called upon all the prosperous to help the less fortunate, sent the boys on their way to friends. Talk to Pitts. 191-81c




820-822 Indiana

May All Christmas Merriment Be Yours


May the dawn of this day of days bring you both Joy and Peace.

JOY in the knowledge of accomplishment and service well received and graciously given.


PEACE in the satisfaction of being right with the world, true with your friends and kindly with your enemies.



May every little thing that comes to brighten the day, reveal anew, that friendliness and kindness which on this one great day of the year—opens our hearts to one another in the broad spirit of good-fellowship freed from every consideration save that of creating Happiness between us all.



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Christmas Greetings

We are happy to remind you of the value we attach to the personal friendship which we enjoy with you, and the co-operation and good will in our business relations.

It is our wish that this Christmas may bring much pleasure to you and those dear to you, and that health, happiness and good fortune may be yours for the New Year.

McCarty & McCarty

To All A Happy Christmas

A healthful and prosperous New Year

Is our sincere wishes

PIGGLY WIGGLY
811 Ohio Ave.

Christmas

This Christmas is one of Peace—Peace with victory, honor and glory.

To some of us, this Christmas brings great happiness and thankfulness for the safe return of our fathers, sons, brothers or other dear ones.

To others, the happiness in the Christmas air is dampened only by the longing for the return of those who are still to be released from the armed forces.

And yet again there are those upon whom the hand of Fate has been laid heavily, and there is sorrow for the loss of some brave lad. Sorrow, yes, but pride, also, that so costly a sacrifice had been laid on the altar of Freedom.

This Christmas finds each of us, whatever has been our fate in the great conflict looking forward to the dawn of a new day with the peaceful order of things restored and men and women going their own way and seeking their own destiny and success.

It is our wish that Christmas that the new era will unfold for all a path strewn with the good things of life—a path leading to ultimate happiness and success, for as Longfellow has so ably expressed the thought—


"The talent of success is nothing more than doing what you can well, and doing well whatever you do, without a thought of fame."

WICHITA FALLS ELECTRIC COMPANY

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With full appreciations of the many courtesies shown us during the past year we extend to you our best wishes for

CHRISTMAS AND THE NEW YEAR



DALLAS & WICHITA FALLS
8th and Ohio

Merry Christmas

To all our friends and patrons.

We wish you all the joys that the Yuletide brings. We wish to express our sincere appreciation to you for your liberal patronage.

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ANNUAL BANQUET IS ANNOUNCED FOR JANUARY 14TH

DATE IS AGREED UPON BY COMMITTEE OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Nominating Committee to Recommend Board of Directors for Another Year is Appointed.

January 14, 1919, the annual banquet and business meeting of the Chamber of Commerce will be held, and preceding the annual meeting a membership drive will be inaugurated, the committee for this drive being appointed at this morning's meeting of the directors of the organization. W. D. Cline, R. O. Harvey, F. N. Lawton, T. B. Smock, W. S. Curlee, Eugene Leopold and C. E. Rodgers were named on the membership committee. The committee on the arrangements, Messrs. A. L. Huey, W. S. Curlee and C. E. McCutcheon, reported the date of meeting, announcing that the place of meeting and other details would be announced later. A nominating committee, to name the board of directors for the coming year and report at the annual meeting, was appointed, consisting of Messrs. T. B. Noble, Frank Kell, J. M. Bland, W. S. Curlee and C. E. McCutcheon. The members of this committee were authorized by a passed motion, to place their own names on the list of nominations.

NOTABLE CHANGE FROM CONDITIONS IN FORMER YEARS

The peace officers of the county are facing a very different condition today than they had to meet a year ago at this time. A year ago the jails were filled to overflowing and there were scores of arrests for intoxication on the day before Christmas. Federal officers were making many arrests of whiskey runners and others who were attempting to take whiskey into Oklahoma from Wichita Falls. This morning there was not a single occupant of the city jail and no arrests had been made for intoxication. It has been the custom for years in Wichita Falls for the Mayor to give the occupants of the city jail their liberty on Christmas day. Mayor Marlow is certainly not less charitably inclined than any of his predecessors, but unless the police are very vigilant it is not likely that there will be any prisoners on whom the Mayor can practice Christmas charity in behalf of the city.

Check for Fifty But Not Classed As Oil Dividend

Consummation of a deal that has been pending between J. A. Kemp and G. C. Wood for some time was reported as having been accomplished this morning. Mr. Wood handing over his check to Mr. Kemp as fulfillment of the terms of the contract. That sound like big business, with these names connected, doesn't it? The "deal" consisted of Mr. Wood's finally paying Mr. Kemp a bet that he made some time ago. Mr. Kemp having bet that the war would be over before the first of January, 1919, while Mr. Wood was pessimistic. His pessimism, which he backed up with his pocket book, cost him exactly \$50.

MORTUARY

Frank Hook. Frank Hook, for many years a farmer living near Electra, died Monday morning at two o'clock following a short illness with influenza which developed pneumonia. Mrs. Hook and the son are both seriously ill with influenza.

Mr. Hook is the son-in-law of Tom Barwise, a long time resident of Electra. Mrs. A. M. Carrigan and M. H. Barwise of this city are sister and brother of Tom Barwise. The funeral arrangements have not been announced.

T. V. Cleveland. T. V. Cleveland, age 25, died this morning at the General hospital following a brief illness with pneumonia which developed from influenza. Mr. Cleveland had been farming about one mile east of town for the past several years. His sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Cahill, who made their home near Mr. Cleveland, died from influenza a few weeks ago.

ago, and Mr. Kromer, another relative formerly living with Mr. and Mrs. Cahill, died last week. Mr. Cleveland leaves a wife and several children. The funeral will be held from the Hines chapel at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. The W. O. W. lodge, of which Mr. Cleveland was a prominent member, will take charge of the services.

Mrs. L. Cole. Mrs. L. Cole, age 25, died about 2:30 this morning at her home on Hill street from influenza which had developed into pneumonia. Mr. and Mrs. Cole and one child came to Wichita Falls only a few days ago. Mr. Cole and the child are both ill with influenza. Funeral services were held from the Hines undertaking chapel at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

LUTHER TURNER ARRESTED ON SWINDLING CHARGE. Luther Turner was arrested in Fort Worth last night on a complaint from this county charging him with swindling.

ing. Turner, it is alleged, cashed a check for \$45 in a Wichita Falls store, when he had no money in the bank against which the check was drawn. He is being brought back to Wichita Falls today.

Wishing you a

Merry Christmas

and

A Happy New Year

STEHLIK & BABER

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At this a holiday time when the true meaning of Peace on Earth is felt to its uttermost, may we extend to you our sincerest wishes for a very Happy Christmas and for a New Year brimming over with happiness and prosperity.

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With Greetings

For a Merry Christmas and cheery wish
For a Happy New Year
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A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year

And may ever the stars smile down from above
On our friends and homes in the land we love.



- GOOD FORTUNE
- GOOD HEALTH
- GOOD CHEER

Not only for Christmas but all through the year.

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With kind remembrances and all good wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Bright New Year
Shaw-Chambers Drug Co.

THE Directors and Officers of the National Bank of Commerce extend to you greetings for a very

Happy Christmas

and a NEW YEAR of prosperity and success.

We wish also to express our appreciation for the generous patronage with which this institution is favored, and to assure our customers that in the future as in the past it will always be our earnest endeavor to serve them to the very best of our ability.

Capital and Surplus a quarter of a Million.

National Bank of Commerce
Wichita Falls, Texas



Takes Pleasure In Wishing Every one A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year

Market Report

Cotton Market

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Pre-holiday realizing and the evening up of near month commitments caused considerable irregularity at the opening of the cotton market here today. December was relatively weak at the start, selling off the price, or 50 points below last night's close, and it was reported that a few notices were circulating. There was considerable covering, however, and the price soon steadied up to 31.65, or 15 points net higher while January sold up from 29.05 to 29.20 and March from 27.30 to 28.17 with the more active months generally selling some 3 to 8 points net higher after opening nine to 25 points lower. No fresh news feature was discussed and the early business was considered largely in the way of evening up for over the holiday, with realizing absorbed by covering, trade demand and some fresh buying for long account.

The market became firmer later in the morning. It seemed that the earlier realizing had been well enough taken to start covering by recent orders for a reaction and a few stop orders were uncovered on the advance. December sold up to 32.00 or 50 points net higher before trading in that delivery ended at mid-day while January advanced to 29.90 and March to 28.75 or 61 to 73 points net higher. Trading was less active during the early afternoon and there were reactions of several points under realizing. The undertone was steady, with prices ruling around 29.72 for January and 28.17 for March, or about 37 to 55 points net higher.

Cotton closed steady.

New Orleans Cotton

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 24.—Liquidation carried the price of cotton nine to 10 points on the most active months on the opening call today but new buying came in at the decline and a quick recovery resulted. At the close of the first half hour of trading prices were one to 15 points over yesterday's close.

While a marked holiday feeling was taken on the market, a steady and very steady undertone, reports of the coming removal of restrictions on English cotton trading showed a bullish effect. At noon prices having net advance 35 to 55 points.

Values were well maintained on a dull but steady market. At one o'clock the trading months were 43 to 66 Cotton closed steady at an advance of 35 to 45 points.

Liverpool Cotton

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 24.—Cotton spot steady; prices unchanged. Good middling 22.20; middling 21.55; low middling 20.52; good ordinary 17.50; ordinary 18.74.

Sales 1,000 bales, including 800 American.

Receipts 18,000 including 13,700 American.

Futures closed steady: December 21.61; January 20.01; February 19.07; March 18.26; April 17.24.

Livestock

Fort Worth Livestock.
FORT WORTH, TEX., Dec. 24.—Cattle: receipts 400; active and steady. Beaves \$7.50@14.50; stockers \$7.00@11.00; cows \$5.00@7.50; heifers \$6.00@9.00; bulls \$5.50@6.75; calves \$5.50@10.50.

Hogs: receipts 4,000; steady. Heavy \$17.25@17.50; medium \$16.75@17.00; light \$15.50@16.75; mixed \$16.00@16.50; common \$15.00@16.00; pigs \$9.00@13.00.

Sheep: receipts 200; unchanged. Lambs \$13.00@15.00; yearlings \$10.00@13.50; wethers \$10.00@10.50; ewes \$9.00@10.00; culls \$5.00@7.00; goats \$5.00@7.00.

Kansas City Livestock.
KANSAS CITY, MO., Dec. 24.—Hogs: receipts 3,000; strong. Bulk \$17.00@17.40; heavy \$16.90@17.50; light \$16.80@17.30; pigs \$12.00@14.25.

Cattle: receipts 1,000; no southern; strong. Prime fed steers \$18.00@20.00; dressed beef steers \$13.00@18.00; southern steers \$7.00@13.00; \$7.00@13.00; cows \$7.00@14.00; heifers \$8.00@15.00; stockers \$7.50@16.00; calves \$7.00@13.50.

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New York Stocks

By Associated Press.
NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Shippings, oils and tobaccos represented the constructive side at the dull opening of today's stock market, scoring gains of large fractions to almost two points. The reverse side was provided by motors, tractions and a few specialties, including Hide and Leather preferred, the latter yielding three points. Rails were susceptible to pressure but United States Steel was fairly steady. The balance of the list was devoid of special features.

Metals were the heavy features of the very dull mid-session, adding to their previous losses on announcement of the cut in the Anaconda copper dividend. Low priced rails and utilities also extended their declines, but United States Steel and leather shares hardened.

Coppers led the more severe setback of the last hour, rails, shippings and equipments yielding sympathetically. The closing was weak.

Final prices on Liberty bonds today were: 3 1/2's 99.00; first convertible 4's 93.10; second 4's 93.00; first convertible 4 1/2's 96.80; second convertible 4 1/2's 94.80; third 4 1/2's 95.82; fourth 4 1/2's 94.80.

Grain Market

By Associated Press.
CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Traffic delays resulting from heavy wet snow brought about upturns today in the price of corn. Opening quotations, which varied from the same as yesterday's finish to 1/4c higher with January \$1.39 1/2 to \$1.39 3/4 and May \$1.35 1/2 to \$1.35 3/4, were followed by moderate gains all around.

Absence of seaboard demand weakened oats. After opening 1/4c off to a like advance with January 89 1/2c to 70 1/2c the market underwent a general sag.

Opinions that feeding demand had passed the climax and that weather conditions might soon assume a more liberal crop movement led afterwards to something of a setback. The case, however, was firm at the same as yesterday's finish to 1/4c higher with January \$1.39 1/2 to \$1.39 3/4 and May \$1.35 1/2 to \$1.35 3/4.

Subsequently the market developed considerable strength on account of advance in the value of hogs.

Holiday dullness ruled in provisions.

FRANK BYERS LEARNS OF BROTHER'S DEATH

Frank Byers this morning received the sad news that his brother, G. W. Byers of Fort Smith, Ark., had passed away following an attack of pneumonia. The deceased had long been a resident of Fort Smith, having been engaged in the mercantile business and in farming on an extensive scale.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

BUY owner's 5-room strictly modern home, at 702 Van Buren, east front, nice trees and lawn, garage. House in perfect condition. Two rooms white enameled. Will be vacant Jan. 1. \$1525 cash; balance easy payments. Phone 328. Phone 362.

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WANTED—2000 barrels daily production crude oil; will pay good premium. Phone 14, ask for Milbury. 193-31p.

FOR SALE or trade for Wichita real estate, almost new 24 Star tractor drill with cordage, 8 wire long, 2 strings of tools, everything ready for work can drill 1400 feet. If interested write me and give your address. W. P. Brookshire, address general delivery, Wichita Falls. 193-31p.

WANTED—One or two unfurnished rooms. Phone 913. 193-31p.

Chicago Produce

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Butter: lower; creamery 55@66 1/2.

Eggs: higher; receipts 1124 cases; firsts 39@60; ordinary firsts 36@57; at mark cases included 38@59.

Potatoes: receipts 28 cars; unchanged.

AMUSEMENT

ENGLISH DERBY AT EPSOM DOWNS IN FILM

Chief among the big features that make "Sporting Life" so notable a photoplay, is a scene showing the English Derby at Epsom Downs. "Sporting Life" is an adaptation—by Maurice Tourneur of the celebrated Drury Lane melodrama of the same name which was produced in 1897 and which has held the stage periodically ever since. It is being shown at the Empress Theater today.

The story deals with a young British nobleman who seeks to rehabilitate his fortunes, which are at a low ebb. He is a thorough sportsman and he backs a prize fighter, and his own mare, Lady Love, to win the Derby. Both events are carried through successfully, but not without serious difficulties laid in the young sportsman's path by a relentless enemy. There is a charming love story which holds much suspenseful interest.

The story is an excellent one and from every standpoint, "Sporting Life" is a most notable production. The principals in the cast include Ralph Graves, Warner Richmond, Charles Craig, Constance and Fair Binney, and Willette Kershaw.

NOTORIOUS "CAILLAUX CASE" REPRODUCED ON SCREEN

The notorious "Caillaux Case" of France has at last been put on the screen. This sensational international drama of ambition, intrigue, love and war, which for years has filled columns after columns in the public press, will be shown at the Empress theater for two days, beginning Thursday.

Everybody remembers the sensation caused a few years ago, when the beautiful Mme. Henriette Caillaux entered the office of Gaston Calmette, editor of the Paris Figaro, and shot him to death for exposing the political and financial trickeries of her husband.

Everybody remembers the scandal of Mme. Caillaux's acquittal of murder and the violent demonstrations of the Paris populace, because it believed that she had escaped punishment through the political influence of the powerful Minister and the workings of a sinister secret order of which he was the high priest.

Everybody also has read of the recent exposure, by the United States Department of Justice, of evidence involving Caillaux and Bolo Pasha in traitorous relations with the German government. Bolo Pasha has been executed for treason. Joseph Caillaux, once Premier of France, now lies in a prison cell. Mme. Caillaux, whose ruthless ambition is the keynote of "The Caillaux Case," is an object of scorn to every French patriot.

Many months were consumed by the Fox forces in collecting historical data for "The Caillaux Case." Richard Stanton, the genius who directed it, insisted throughout that every detail should be accurate. Neither trouble nor expense to make it so. The court room where Mme. Caillaux is tried is an exact replica of the original in Paris as is also the editorial office, where she kills Calmette.

EMPRESS

TODAY

"The Caillaux Case"



"The Caillaux Case" William Fox Production

Bolo Pasha, Mme. Caillaux and Joseph Caillaux, Puppets of the Kaiser.

There is much in the lives of the "Caillaux Ring" which the public does not know and will discover for the first time when they see this picture. Their intrigues, their plotting for power and German gold, their crushing of honest citizens who stood in their way, the scandals of their lives, their secret political machinations in America and in various countries of Europe, form an absorbing drama of ruthless ambition that for power intensity can be compared only to Shakespeare's "Macbeth." Besides "The Caillaux Case," the famous Dreyfus case pales into insignificance.

Adults 25c, Children 12 and over 15c, under 12, 10c

EMPRESS

TODAY

The Greatest of the Melodramas

The famous Drury Lane Melodrama

"SPORTING LIFE"

Maurice Tourneur's Master Photoplay



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MAURICE TOURNEUR presents "SPORTING LIFE"

Maurice Tourneur's great picturization of the famous Drury Lane melodrama. The production that broke box office records in all the English speaking countries.

Packed full of genuine thrills, enacted by a carefully selected cast and produced in a lavish manner.

See the great English turf classic, The Derby, the bout at the London National Sporting Club, and enough thrilling scenes to make several ordinary feature photodramas.

Tomorrow

George Walsh in "On the Jump"

A story of speed and pep. A zippy, clean, snappy comedy.

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CASUALTIES

SECTION TWO.

The following casualties are reported by the Commanding General of the American Expeditionary Force...

SOUTHERNERS.

Killed in Action: Pvt. John W. Farris, El Paso, Texas; Pvt. Kelly M. White, Rockdale, Texas...

SECTION ONE.

The following casualties are reported by the Commanding General of the American Expeditionary Force...

SOUTHERNERS.

Killed in Action: Noah Gill, Pearly, Texas; Ola Gunnstanson, Hastings, Okla.; James B. McGrew, Fred, Texas...

SECTION TWO.

The following casualties are reported by the Commanding General of the American Expeditionary Force...

SOUTHERNERS.

Killed in Action: John Wm. Burk, Hillsboro, Texas; John Wm. Evans, Dallas, Texas...

Wounded, Degree Undetermined: Lieut. K. D. Harrison, Arlington, Tex.; Sgt. Roland M. Stowers, Comstock, Okla.

Wounded, Degree Undetermined: Lieut. Sidney E. Fisher, Galveston, Texas; Corp. R. E. Patry, Francis, Texas...

Wounded, Degree Undetermined: Lieut. Cyrus E. Graham, Bryan, Texas; Lieut. Sidney E. Fisher, Galveston, Texas...

Yuletide Greetings

As the holiday season once more approaches, we extend to every patron and friend our best wishes for

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR



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MARINES.

Summary of casualties to date: Officers: Deaths, 90; wounded, 101; missing, 1; total, 192.

SOUTHERNERS.

Killed in Action: William L. Ford, Laredo, Texas; Chas. D. Graham, Abilene, Texas; Robt. G. Moore, Dallas, Texas...

CORRECTIONS.

Wounded, degree undetermined, previously reported killed in action: Private Jess Luke, Texanna, Okla.

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WANTED—For drilling, 10 to 25,000 acres. If your holdings will stand my inspections have capital ready to move rig on premises. G. W. Murray, Oil Geologist, Room 7, Ward Building, Phone 1791. 189-61p

FOR SALE—Acres near deep test well in Shackelford county. Call Wilcox, Hotel Hearn. 191-31c

FOR SALE—Lot with royalty, lot 24, Hardin addition, Burk Burnett, Texas. Phone 2104, Wichita Falls, Texas. 192-31p

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FOR LEASE—By owner, 40 acres, 5 miles southeast of Burk Burnett, 2500 ft. from producing well and 1200 ft. from derrick now up for deep well. Frank T. Jenne, Wichita Falls, Texas. 187-61p

WILL OFFER for lease 80 acres in Cotton county near deep test now drilling. See owner, Room 5, Jones-Kennedy Bldg. 191-31c

50 ACRES less than 1 1/2 miles from Zink well, in the valley. 30 day drilling contract on land within quarter of a mile. Can be had now for \$100 per acre. Call or wire Arnold, phone 119, Iowa Park. 191-31c

FOR LEASE—71 acres 4 1/2 miles southeast Burk Burnett; one well flowing over top with oil at 400 feet. Price \$12,500. Box 825, Wichita Falls, Texas. 191-61p

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OIL LEASE—50 acres out of the Resford farm, south of Burk Burnett, near deep test. A special bargain if sold before Jan. 1, 1919. For particulars write or see E. E. Fuller, care Westland Hotel. 189-61p

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MAKE INQUIRY INTO DEATH OF WOMAN

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Inquiry into the death of Mrs. Mabel Claire Beck, young and accomplished musician was begun today. Mrs. Beck, wife of a Baltimore insurance broker and whose parents live in Kansas City, died last night at the county hospital as the result of leaping from a fourth story window of the institution earlier in the day. She had disappeared from the home of a relative here on last Thursday and Monday morning was found hysterical at a downtown corner.

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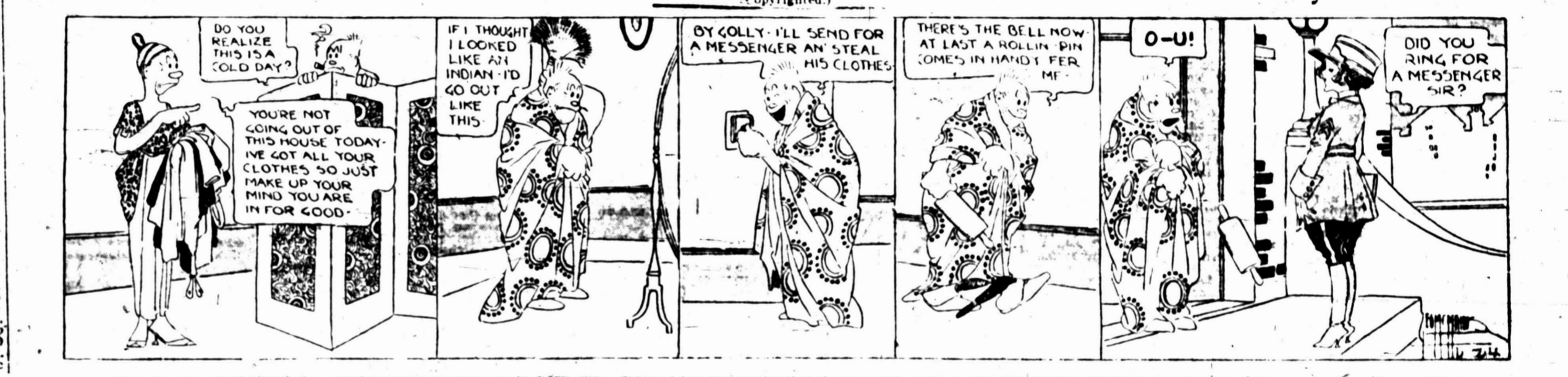
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OIL RIGHTS MAY ENRICH THE STATE IF SUIT IS WON

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with the suggestion that the regents of the university intervene through attorneys and take an active part in the case.

Legal Difficulties Involved In Many River Bed Leases

Legal difficulties seem to have arisen to prevent Oklahomaans who have filed placer claims on the bed of Red River from beginning any operations and litigation between Oklahoma and Texas claimants are expected to arise according to the following article which is taken from the Frederick Daily Leader.

"Despite the fact that several scores of Oklahomaans, many of whom are Frederick and Tillman county citizens, have filed placer mining claims on hundreds of acres of land in the bed of Red river, Texas has within the last few days contracted to sell or lease the south half of the river bed to Sam Suarka, of Austin, former state treasurer, one time candidate for governor of Texas, and prominent in the politics of that state.

"As a consequence, it is expected that a law suit that may involve all the claims of Oklahomaans and the then up for months, may result.

"Within the past few days sixty Frederick people have filed placer mining claims on twenty acres each of river bed lying south of the center of the river in Cotton county between the toll bridge and the wagon bridge. In addition to this 1200 acres, several claims have also been filed in the government land office at Guthrie by Tillman county men and other Oklahomaans on land in the river bed south of Tillman county.

"The organic law of Texas, it is claimed, established the northern boundary of Texas as 'the south bank of Red River,' and the Texas line was thus established in the center of the river which gave that county to Oklahoma. The Oklahoma organic law reads that the southern boundary of Oklahoma shall be 'the center of the Red River.'

"This leaves a strip half the width of the river bed as public domain—land claimed by neither Texas nor Oklahoma and belonging, of course, to the government, claim the Oklahoma filers.

"The federal law relative to placer mining or other mineral filings provides for a stipulated amount of work on a claim each year, or else it reverts to the government. It is likely that the courts will be called upon to determine whether the claimants must do this work while the legality of their filings still is in dispute."

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SEVERAL WELLS ADDED TO POOL AT BURKBURNETT

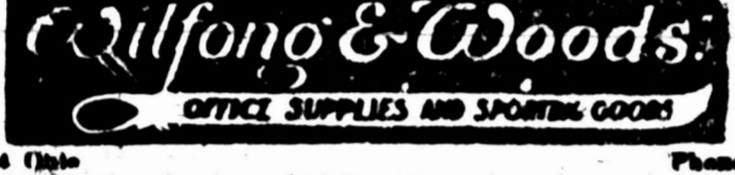
A number of wells are added to the list of steady producers by this report from the new Burkburnett pool. These are wells now running oil into the pipe lines.

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