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NO RECEPTION IN THE HISTORY OF LONDON LIKE THAT GIVEN WILSON ON SATURDAY

Notable Gathering In Old Guild Hall

LONDON, Dec. 28.—(By Associated Press.)—Arthur J. Balfour, the foreign secretary, in receiving the American correspondents this afternoon said that President Wilson's visit to England not only had been a spectacular success, but had gone to the hearts of the British people and would have international results of the largest importance to the whole world.

By Associated Press. LONDON, Dec. 28.—Speaking today in the historic Guild Hall at a coronation gathering of Great Britain's most distinguished statesmen, President Wilson reaffirmed his principle that there must no longer be a balance of power which might unsettle the peace of the world, but that the future must produce a concert of power which would preserve it. The President's reception at Guild Hall carried an unmistakable note of friendship and admiration. When he arose to speak there was a prolonged outburst of huzzing and cheering, and his talk was frequently punctuated by applause. At the conclusion of his address, the audience rose with one accord and cheered and it kept up the applause as he passed out. The distinguished government and other officials received by the lord mayor before the President's arrival, included premier Lloyd George, Field Marshal Haig, Foreign Secretary Balfour, Admiral Sims, former premier Asquith, Andrew Bonar Law, the chancellor of the exchequer and the ambassadors of the principal allied governments.

Grouped on the Dais. After President Wilson's arrival, all were grouped on the dais and the lord mayor in the center, next to the Duke of Connaught. The royal artillery band in the gallery played American airs, ushering President Wilson in with the Star Spangled Banner. In the course of his speech the President declared he had sought to do away with the old order and establish a new one. The old order, he said, had for its center the "unstable thing" called the balance of power, determined by the competitive interests of nations and "an antagonism of interests." The men who have fought the war, he said, had been "men from free nations who were determined that this sort of thing should end now and forever."

Concert of Power. The subject of a concert of power to replace the balance of power, he remarked, was not a new thing, every quarter and from every sort of people, and the power to come, he declared, must not be a balance of power or one powerful group of nations set against another but a single, overwhelming, powerful group of nations which shall be trustees of the peace of the world.

Foundation is Laid. "I am particularly happy that the ground has been cleared and the foundations laid," he continued, "because we have already accepted the same body principles. Those principles are clearly and definitely enough stated to make their application a matter which should afford no fundamental difficulty."

Spirit of Optimism Prevails in Connection with Plans for Peace. "The people of the world want peace and want it now, not merely by the conquest of arms but by agreement of mind."

Such an achievement, the President added, would be the finest enterprise of humanity. There had been just a hint that the President's address would be the key to the conference he has been holding with British statesmen and the address as it was delivered today was interpreted in American quarters

as assuring a reasonably early opening of the discussion. The pessimism previously existing in some quarters was due to various views held on the "fourteen points," but the president's statement that the Allied leaders agree with him in the principles therein laid down, has largely removed the first impressions. The president's statement is echoed in the responsible quarters here. Premier Clemenceau also joined in the declaration that the conference he has had is an entire agreement on the principles.

A meeting was held in Colonel Edward M. House's residence tonight of all the American interests, including food, shipping, the army, navy, treasury and war board. Thus far Herbert C. Hoover, Edward N. Hurley and the other heads of the various branches have proceeded independently, but the meeting tonight foreshadows a united commission.

By Associated Press. PORT WORTH, TEX., Dec. 29.—J. A. Kemp, of Wichita Falls, was elected chairman of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce executive committee at a conference here today. Vance Muse of Fort Worth is secretary. One hundred and twenty counties will be represented in the organization.

PEACE IN ODESSA AFTER 13 HOURS STREET FIGHTING

REPUBLICAN OFFICERS UNDER WHITE FLAG APPEAR AT HEADQUARTERS. FIGHT RUSSIAN ARMY LIST IS MADE PUBLIC

By Associated Press. ODESSA, Thursday, Dec. 19.—The street fighting, lasting thirteen hours, which greeted the French entry into the Ukraine ceased as a result of the signing of a white flag at the French headquarters. They said that the battle had begun against the Russian volunteer army, which had declared itself the enemy of the present republican directorate of the Ukraine, but that the republicans refused to oppose the superior forces of the French. The French troops in reply told the officers that the volunteer army was now under French command. He delivered an ultimatum demanding that the republicans leave the city within half an hour, abandoning their arms and the rolling stock on the Kiev Railroad. The republican staff withdrew five miles outside Odessa, leaving considerable quantities of ammunition, several cannons and about 500 prisoners, but the majority of its force, numbering about 3,000, still under arms, are outside the city.

Modern Weapons Used. During yesterday's fighting modern weapons were used by both sides. Armored cars and machine guns, the postoffice and railway station show a multitude of scars as a result of the conflict. The French acted as a reserve, leaving the direct engagements to the volunteers who suffered about 100 casualties. Only one Frenchman was wounded but General Borias threatened to use the French in an attack unless the republicans surrendered immediately.

The serious fighting began at the moment the republicans were dismissing, thus exposing hundreds of children in bullet.

Many of the children remained in the school houses during the night. General Borias today ordered the German troops throughout Ukraine to assist in the maintaining of order under severe penalties to do so. It is believed that the republicans are unable to summon an effective military force against the French and that therefore the existence of the directorate is insecure. M. Hennen, the diplomatic representative, however, admits the gravity of the task of preserving order throughout the Ukraine, owing to the diverse racial hatreds.

SIXTY AIRPLANES ARE DELIVERED TO AMERICAN FORCES

By Associated Press. COBLENZ, Dec. 28.—Sixty airplanes of the Fokker type arrived in Coblenz today by special train from Berlin. They were the first of 200 airplanes which are to be turned over to the American forces in accordance with the armistice.

A number of German aviators also arrived to try out one of each twenty machines before the planes are turned over to the American commission. The planes for the test will be selected by the Americans and the Germans will maintain the flight schools that the machines are in good condition.

REV. STOUT PRESIDENT TEXAS WOMEN'S COLLEGE. By Associated Press. FORT WORTH, TEX., Dec. 28.—Rev. H. E. Stout, president of Howard Payne college for women, at Fayette, Mo., was elected president of Texas Women's college, a Methodist institution, at a meeting of the trustees here yesterday.

KEMP CHAIRMAN EXECUTIVE BOARD NEW ORGANIZATION

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STEADY STREAM OF TROOPS COME FROM OVERSEAS

MORE THAN HALF OF NUMBER DESIGNATED HAVE BEEN MUSTERED OUT.

By Associated Press. WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—A steady stream of troops from overseas and army camps is moving homeward. With more than one million men designated for demobilization, since the signing of the armistice, all efforts, General March, chief of staff, said today, are being directed toward getting them out of camp and back to the work in which they formerly were engaged. Already more than half the number designated have been mustered out.

General March said the work of discharging men from camps was proceeding at the rate of about 100,000 a week.

General March made public a list of auxiliary troops attached to the American third army, the army of occupation, including the following complete list of men:

301st, 308th and 310th engineers and the first 51st, 54th and 56th pioneer infantry. General March said that no additional American troops had been ordered to Russia and that the war department had no information that the French army had taken over a portion of the sector on the Rhine assigned to the American force.

Following is the complete list of units outside of divisions serving with the American army along the German frontier:

Army corps headquarters troops: 66th field artillery brigade; 32nd field battalion, signal corps; 51st telegraph battalion; 26th telegraph battalion; second cavalry headquarters; first squadron, second cavalry; 46th engineers; 56th pioneers infantry; third army military police battalion; 31st ambulance company; 32nd ambulance company; 303rd remount squadron; army postoffice 927; sanitary train third army; 542nd, 590th, 601st, 602nd ambulance companies; 462nd and 463rd construction squadrons; third army regional replacement depot; ordnance depot No. 303.

Third Army. Third army corps troops: Headquarters troops, 38th engineers and train; 52nd telegraph battalion; 30th field battalion, signal corps; 3rd corps military police company; first pioneer infantry; 2nd cavalry; motor supply train 415; field remount squadron; 202 mobile veterinary hospital; number 1 machine shop truck unit 405; 501st mobile ordnance repair shop; headquarters third army corps; 8th service; first aero squadron; 60th photo section; 3rd corps national group reconnaissance; first national company branch intelligence office; third corps sanitary train; field hospitals 162, 183 and 332; ambulance companies 42, 163 and 332; sales commissary unit No. 33.

Fourth Army. Fourth army, corps troops: Headquarters troops, 51st pioneer infantry; 310th field battalion; signal corps; 205 telegraph battalion; fourth corps air service headquarters; 102th aero squadron, photo section; number 1 group reconnaissance; 4th corps group headquarters; 4th corps 2nd balloon company; 413rd motor supply train, mobile ordnance repair shops. (Continued on page 2.)

WEATHER FORECAST FOR COMING WEEK.

By Associated Press. WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The weather bureau predicts for the week beginning Monday: West Gulf States: Generally fair with a return to normal temperatures.

SWEEPING VICTORY FOR LLOYD GEORGE IN GREAT BRITAIN

PRIME MINISTER WILL HAVE MORE THAN 500 SEATS FOR HIS SUPPORTERS.

By Associated Press. LONDON, Dec. 28.—The broad features of the election results announced today are the sweeping triumph of the Lloyd George coalition, the complete rout of the Asquiths, the pollists and the women and dates, and perhaps most significant of all, the victory of the Sinn Feiners, all along the line. That the coalition government would be victorious had been a foregone conclusion, despite the rumblings of rumor before the polling and the counting of the votes, that Lloyd would make an expected showing. But that David Lloyd George would command completely an overwhelming majority in the new house in the proportion of almost three to one had never been contemplated even by the most sanguine coalitionists. And since coalition as it now operates is distinctly more conservative than liberal in its composition and tendencies, this result of the first election under the extended franchise and with the participation of millions of women voters is most suggestive.

Premier Lloyd George, with only four results yet to be announced, has 519 seats for his coalition, out of a membership of 577. The Sinn Feiners have elected 70 members, and labor approximately 75.

Of fourteen women candidates, only one will be entitled to sit in the house of commons, namely a Sinn Feiner, Miss M. K. O'Connell, who was elected for St. Patrick division of Dublin city. But as the Sinn Feiners refused to sit at Westminster, the house of commons, as hitherto, will be composed entirely of males.

Christabel Pankhurst Defeated. All the other women candidates, including many of the foremost in the women's movements, were rejected by their constituencies. Christabel Pankhurst, the nearest of those to being elected, being defeated only by a narrow majority by a laborite.

The Sinn Feiners, as expected, not only swept Ireland, but gained their seats with enormous majorities, leaving the nationalist representation in the new parliament a bare seven members. John Dillon, the nationalist leader, was defeated by E. De Valera, Sinn Feiner, for East Mayo, by a majority of over 4,000. Joseph Devlin, however, defeated the Valera for the (Continued on page 2.)

PEDEN HAS BEEN CALLED TO FRANCE BY MR. HOOVER

By Associated Press. HOUSTON, TEX., Dec. 28.—Herbert Hoover, American food administrator, called E. A. Peden, Texas food administrator, to France. Mr. Peden will leave for New York next week.

Springing Mr. Peden's absence abroad, Assistant Administrator E. L. Noville, head of the grocery division, will be acting food administrator. Mr. Noville's appointment taking effect the day of Mr. Peden's departure.

JAPAN TO WITHDRAW TROOPS FROM SIBERIA

By Associated Press. HONOLULU, Dec. 28.—A Tokio cable to the Nippon Jiji here today says that the Japanese war department has announced that half of the Japanese troops in Siberia will be withdrawn.

ENTENTE POWERS GIVE TERRITORY TO CZECHO-SLAVS

By Associated Press. PRAGUE, Friday, Dec. 27.—The Entente powers have decided to give to Czecho-Slovakia, the former German colony of Togoland, in West Africa, and a portion of Hungary so that the boundaries will conform with the historical frontier of Slavic territory. It is declared that a note has been sent to Hungary outlining the proposed boundaries and asking that government to evacuate the territory mentioned.

Is Luncheon Guest At Mansion House

LONDON, Dec. 28.—President Wilson made his last public appearance in London today. Officials of the city of London presented him with an address of welcome in the ancient Guild Hall, where other famous Americans, including General Grant, and former President Roosevelt have been received. Afterward he was the guest at a luncheon in the Egyptian hall of Mansion House where the ghosts of decades of civic oratory and where many Americans have partaken of the famed aldermanic turtle soup.

The drive from Buckingham Palace and return was witnessed by immense crowds. There was plenty of enthusiasm abroad but it hardly reached the same volume as that which attended the President's entry into London on Thursday. Announcement of results of the general election was somewhat of a counter attraction today.

Behind the surface of the formal for cordial international relationship, which we know and another we can not hate one another. "I have been very much interested before coming here to see what sort of a person I was expected to be. So far as I can make out, I was expected to be a perfectly bloodless thinking machine, whereas, I am perfectly human that I have within me all the insurgent elements of the human race. I am sometimes, by reason of long Scotch tradition to keep these elements in restraint. The stern core of a person that is behind me sends many an echo down the years. It is not only diligently to pursue business, but also to seek this sort of comradeship that I feel is a privilege to have come across the seas and in the welcome that you have accorded Mrs. Wilson and me, you have made us feel that companionship was accessible to us in the most delightful and enjoyable form.

Expression of Appreciation. "I thank you sincerely for this welcome. Sir, and am very happy to join in love feast which is all the more enjoyable because there is behind it a background of tragic suffering. Our spirits are released from the darkness of the clouds that at one time seemed to have settled upon the world in a way that could not be dispersed, the sufferings of your own people, the sufferings of the people of France and the infinite sufferings of the people of Belgium. The whisper of grief that has blown all through the world is now silent and the sun of hope seems to promise its rays and to change the earth with a new prospect of happiness. So, our joy is all the more elevated because we know that the more lights are now lifted out of that valley.

President's Address at Mansion House Luncheon. LONDON, Dec. 28.—In his speech this afternoon at the lord mayor's luncheon at Mansion House, President Wilson said:

"Mr. Mayor, Your Royal Highness, Your Grace, Ladies and Gentlemen: "You have again made me feel, Sir, the very wonderful and generous way in which you have reminded me of what has perhaps become one of the habits of your life. "You have said that I have broken all precedent in coming across the ocean to join the councils of the peace conference, but I think those who have been associated with me in Washington will testify that it is nothing surprising to find the members of the press in Washington one evening that one of the things that had interested me most since I have lived in Washington was that every time I did anything perfectly natural it was said to be unprecedented. "It was perfectly natural to break this precedent, natural because the demand for intimate conference took precedence over every other duty. And, after all, the breaking of precedent, though a thing may seem strange doctrine in England is the most sensible thing to do. The harshness of precedent is sometimes a very sad and harassing training. "In this case, the breaking of precedent is sensible for a reason that is very prettily illustrated in a remark attributed to Charles Lamb. One evening he was discussing a person who was not present and Lamb said in his best talking manner: 'I hate that fellow.' "Why 'Charles,' one of his friends said, 'I did not know that you knew him.' "Oh, he said, 'I did not hate a man I know.' "Knowing Cannot Hate. "And perhaps that simple and at-

Poland Facing Starvation and Serious Riots. PARIS, Dec. 28.—Unless Poland receives food supplies and clothing from the Allies immediately, there is grave danger that the population, which is facing starvation, will join the bolshevik movement and thereby menace the stability of the new government, according to Lieutenant Stanislaw Hempel, aide de camp to General Joseph Piusulski, military head of the Polish government. Lieutenant Hempel said Poland was surrounded by revolutionists, and as there was only two or three weeks' supplies left, Poland naturally promised fertile ground for Russian and German propagandists. The German army, he said, was carrying off all horses and 80 per cent of the cattle, so that it is impossible to cultivate the land. In addition, all wool and cotton were taken and the people are destitute for clothing, which is costing at the rate of 1,500 marks for a suit principally of cotton.

American Transports Arrive from France. NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—The American transport Tarzisha with 93 wounded officers arrived here today from France. She brought also a returned cargo of explosives.

CONFERENCE WITH PRESIDENT BRINGS ABOUT AN AGREEMENT ON PRINCIPLES

LONDON, Dec. 28.—Premier Lloyd George, in receiving American newspaper correspondents at his residence, tonight, said that the conference with the president had brought about an agreement on general principles. The premier said he felt assured upon matters which had been agreed upon between America and England were the work of the greatest assistance the work of the peace congress.

The premier said that, owing to the fact that the British delegation to the peace congress had not yet been organized, the conference would proceed immediately now. It is declared that a note has been sent to Hungary outlining the proposed boundaries and asking that government to evacuate the territory mentioned. The premier said that, owing to the fact that the British delegation to the peace congress had not yet been organized, the conference would proceed immediately now. It is declared that a note has been sent to Hungary outlining the proposed boundaries and asking that government to evacuate the territory mentioned. The premier said that, owing to the fact that the British delegation to the peace congress had not yet been organized, the conference would proceed immediately now. It is declared that a note has been sent to Hungary outlining the proposed boundaries and asking that government to evacuate the territory mentioned.

NORTHERN FRANCE AND BELGIUM ARE GRATEFUL TO U. S.

ARE SAVED FROM FAMINE BY TIMELY AID RENDERED IN THE PAST.

CAN SOON BE RESTORED

No Deaths Have Resulted From Starvation in Report Made by Herbert Hoover.

By Associated Press. WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Four years of German oppression brought no loss of life from starvation to the populations of Belgium and Northern France and the under-nourishment resulting from enemy occupation can be stemmed out if America continues to send food.

This report from Herbert Hoover, chairman of the commission for relief in Belgium, based on a survey of the occupied territories of western Europe, was made public tonight at the commission's headquarters here. The survival of the peoples of Belgium and northern France, while a quarter of the population of other German-occupied lands died of famine, was ascribed by Mr. Hoover to the work of the commission, which for four years poured food across beltless lines sufficient to keep men, women and children above the margin of starvation.

Barrow to Manage World's Champion Red Sox in 1919

By Associated Press. NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—President Frazee, of the Boston American league baseball club, announced here today that Edward G. Barrow had signed a contract as manager of the world's champion Red Sox for 1919.

STEADY STREAM OF TROOPS RETURNING

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machinery truck unit 349; 40th corps military train, ambulance company 301, 302, 303; field hospitals 301, 302, 303; troops M. 20th field remount squadrons; detachments fifth mobile veterinary hospital; fourth corps military police; sales commissary unit number 31; 4th corps artillery park. Army unnumbered; corps troops (unnumbered); corps headquarters troops; military police, 33rd field battalion; signal corps; provisional motor supply company; 34th machine shop truck unit; 107th sanitary train, less horse section; army postoffice 792; 2nd mobile veterinary section; 8th aero squadron; 8rd balloon company; 54th pioneer infantry; 3th corps field veterinary unit; 16th field artillery brigade; 310th engineers; one battalion; 66th engineers, one battalion; 418th supply train, two companies; 312th remount squadron; 310th engineer train; 76th telegraph battalion.

TROOPS ASSIGNED FOR EARLY CONVOY HOME

By Associated Press. WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Assignment to early convoy of additional army units comprising in all about 80 officers and 3,000 men was announced today by the war department. The units include the 27th, 49th, 15th, 95th, 128th, 147th, 155th, 400th and 492nd aerial squadrons; the 104th, 302d, 305th and 307th trench mortar battalions and the 418th telegraph battalion.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT TO FURNISH TRANSPORTS

By Associated Press. NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—The British government will be able to transport to the United States between 30,000 and 40,000 American troops in vessels under the English flag, during January, it was said here today by H. Ashley Sparks, director general of the British ministry of shipping, on authority of a cablegram from the shipping controller in London. It was her second voyage, with 5,000 American soldiers since the armistice was signed, 14 British steamships with a total troop capacity of 32,000 have been offered to the United States government and will be ready to leave British ports or Brest, as may be designated, between now and January 19.

WANT MEDALS AWARDED ARMY DRAFT BOARDS

By Associated Press. WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Legislation authorizing medals for members of army draft board and state officials who helped administer the selective service law, was urged today by Secretary Baker in a letter to Chairman Dent of the house military committee.

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WITNESS STATES BERGER TOO SLOW FOR HIS COMPANY

MILITARY PRISONER TESTIFIES IN TRIAL OF SOCIALISTS AT MILWAUKEE.

WAS WRITER FOR PAPER

Witness Refuses To Testify Under Oath But Affirmed That His Evidence Was True.

By Associated Press. CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Professor Carl Haessler, formerly an instructor at the University of Illinois and later employed as a writer on the Milwaukee Leader, was brought from the United States army disciplinary barracks at Leavenworth, Kansas, where he is serving a twelve year term for refusing to wear a soldier's uniform to testify today in the trial of the five socialist leaders charged with violation of the espionage law.

Haessler said he was dismissed as a teacher at the University of Illinois because of his refusal to perform military duty. In denying that he had been induced by Berger to become a soldier, the witness said: "Berger is too slow a bird, he is not fast enough to travel in my company politically or economically. He said Berger advised him to accept military service and put on a soldier's uniform or he would be put in jail and added that a socialist in jail was of no use to the cause. The witness said that Berger refused to print several of his articles written for the Milwaukee Leader because they were too radical.

RESUME TRAIN SERVICE FROM PARIS TO BRUSSELS

By Associated Press. PARIS, Dec. 28.—Through train service between Paris and Brussels, stopped by the outbreak of the war in 1914, will be resumed Sunday.

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SWEEPING VICTORY FOR LLOYD GEORGE

(Continued from page one.)

West Belfast seat. De Valera also was a candidate in the South Down constituency. Small Vote is Pooled. A prominent feature of the polling revealed by the count, is the comparative smallness of the polls compared with the registered number of electors. . . . 0 figures are available yet, as to what extent the army and navy have voted. It should also be noted that defeat of the Asquithians, especially the former ministers, in most cases can be attributed in part, to split votes in three-cornered constituencies.

Not only has no coalition minister been defeated, but most of them were reported elected by extraordinary majorities. For instance, Premier Lloyd George's majority is about 13,000; Winston Churchill's 15,000, and Andrew Bonar Law's 13,000.

Large Majorities Common. Majorities well over 10,000 were quite common among the coalitionists. On the other hand, the pacifists were almost in every case ignominiously defeated by heavy votes. The rejected candidates in this group included Philip Snowden, James Ramsay MacDonald, William C. Anderson (labor member for Attercliffe division of Sheffield), Arthur Henderson, the labor leader; Robert L. Outhwaite (liberal for Hanley); Frederick W. Jewett (labor member for West Bradford); George Lansbury (former socialist member for the Bow and Bromley division of Tower Hamlets), and Charles P. Trevelyan, formerly parliamentary secretary for education.

CAPTURED WAR MATERIAL TO BE BROUGHT HOME

By Associated Press. WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—All war material captured by the American army will be brought home, Secretary Baker said today, to be disposed of as congress may direct. The equipment includes more than 1,400 guns and trench mortars taken in action, and thousands of machine guns and rifles.

Various proposals for distribution of the captured material have been made. It has been suggested that it be divided among the states in proportion to their quotas in the army, but on this plan Mr. Baker declined to express an opinion.

DELEGATES ARE ELECTED TO CONSIDER MOONEY CASE

By Associated Press. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—Labor organizations with a combined membership of more than 1,350,000 have elected delegates to the congress which will be held in Chicago on January 14 to consider the case of Thomas J. Mooney, convicted in San Francisco of murder, Edward D. Nolan, secretary of the international workers' defense league, said in a statement tonight. Nolan said Albert Thomas, French labor leader, has been asked by English union leaders to call a meeting in Paris to protest against the further imprisonment of Mooney, who is now serving a life sentence.

FOUR STORY BUILDING AT PARSONS BURNS

By Associated Press. PARSONS, KANS., Dec. 28.—Fire today destroyed the four story Stragburger building, the largest mercantile mercantile establishment in Parsons, and several offices at a loss estimated at \$200,000.

Vancouver Farm Lease For Sale. Several 2 1/2, 5 and 10 acre tracts out of blocks 102 and 103, south of road and near Helen-Elizabeth and Hester's mills. Buy up close and get good wells. For prices and terms call at Room 408, Kemp & Kell office. Phone 71; residence phone 1754. 190-tls

Pot Boils Over Extinguishes Fire And Death Results

By Associated Press. CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—That a coffee pot boiled over and extinguished a gas stove, thus causing the death of Robert Lewis, a former assistant state's attorney of Cook county, was the verdict of a coroner's jury today. The body was found in a gas-filled room by neighbors.

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REPORT GERMANS REASONABLY WELL FED AND CLOTHED

By Associated Press. LONDON, Dec. 27.—(British Wireless Service.)—An Allied commission which inspected German naval bases and airship and seaplane stations under the terms of the armistice the British battleship Hercules has returned to her home port...

SOME QUESTIONS MAY BE DEFERRED FOR ARBITRATION

By Associated Press. PARIS, Dec. 28.—In conference circles, the opinion prevails that several difficult questions which will come before the Allies at some time during the peace conference may be left over for arbitration after an agreement has been reached as to a league of nations...

Move Landmark For Construction Of Gas Station

O. P. Marchman has leased a part of the northeast corner at Tenth and Lamar to the Texas Company for the construction of a filling station, and the remainder of the eighty foot front on Tenth to the Peoples Ice Company for the construction of a retail house...

CORONER'S JURY PLACES BLAME ON FRISCO FLAGMAN

CHICKASHA, OKLA., Dec. 28.—The coroner's jury in the inquest held here today over the body of Lieutenant James H. McLaughlin, killed in the Frisco wreck at Norge, Christmas Day, found in its verdict that the lieutenant came to his death as a result of the culpable and felonious negligence and omission of duty on the part of Frank Higgins, the flagman on the passenger train on which the deceased was a passenger at the time of his death...

TOTAL CASUALTIES OF THE NATIONS ENGAGED IN WAR

LONDON, Dec. 28.—(British Wireless Service.)—With the issue of the official figures of the French losses in the war it is possible to arrive at the approximate estimate of the appalling toll of life. The dead, so far, number 5,926,504. The individual national losses in dead thus far announced are: British, 706,726; French, 1,071,300; American, 38,478; Russian, 1,700,000; Austrian, 800,000; German, 1,600,000.

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President Has A Fruitful and Satisfactory Day

By Associated Press. LONDON, Dec. 28.—Conferences between President Wilson, Premier Lloyd George and other members of the cabinet yesterday were extremely successful, according to the Mail, which says the most cordial harmony of ideas was found to exist...

APPOINTMENTS ARE MADE BY GOVERNOR HOBBY

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 28.—The governor tonight announced the appointment of Major Sam D. W. Low of Brenham, Washington county, to be a member of the board of prison commissioners, and of E. B. Snelling of El Paso to be state inspector of masonry. Major Low succeeds W. R. Dulaney whose term of office expires next month.

Increase In Sale Of Savings Stamps During Past Week

Sales of War Savings Stamps through the War Savings Bank for the week totaled nearly \$7,000. Mrs. J. W. Lee, the woman's chairman and director of the bank announced Saturday. About 100 of the stamps were sold on Saturday. The campaign to sell the remainder of Wichita county, \$75,000, before January 1, began in earnest today.

ELK'S MINSTREL IS PLANNED FOR EARLY FEBRUARY

A big Elk's Minstrel, which will surpass any similar entertainment ever staged in Wichita Falls, will be given in the Wichita theater about the first of February, according to the disclosure made by H. H. Bray and George Hodgins Saturday. Plans will be worked on during the coming week for this minstrel, and rehearsals will be called as soon as some line-up in the way of a program and a collection of talents decided upon.

FAIR GROUND BUILDINGS BURN AT NEW ORLEANS

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 28.—The grandstand, clubhouse and paddock at the fairgrounds race track here were destroyed by fire of undetermined origin early today, causing a loss estimated in excess of \$200,000. The training quarters and stables where hundreds of race horses are quartered, were saved. Officials of the association announced that the winter racing program will be held according to schedule, beginning January 1.

Restrictions On Cable Addresses Are Now Removed

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Removal of the war time prohibition on the registration on abbreviated cable addresses was announced today by the navy department. Effective January 1, any person or firm in the United States or its possessions who does not already possess a registered cable address will be permitted to register one such address with the telephone or cable companies.

Carry Out Terms For Delivery of Railroad Stock

By Associated Press. HAVANA, (Havas.)—Armistice conditions relative to the delivery of railroad rolling stock are being carried out satisfactorily by the Germans. In a single day 3,500 cars and 200 locomotives were turned over to the Allies.

BREVITIES

Captain Lowery, assistant to Major Townes, of the State Draft Board, from Austin, was a visitor in the Wichita county draft board office Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Huff and daughter, Miss Pinta, were here Saturday to visit relatives and attend the Hamlin England wedding. Mr. Huff and daughter returned to Dallas Saturday night while Mrs. Huff will remain until Monday.

MR. AND MRS. HOLLEY ARE VISITING MRS. LEE

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde L. Holley are here from Denison, spending the Christmas holidays with Mr. Holley's mother, Mrs. J. W. Lee. Mr. Holley has resigned his position as mechanical statistician for the railroad administration of Texas, and has accepted a government position as cost accountant. He and Mrs. Holley will go to Lenoir, Tennessee, in a short time, his assignment to duty being at that place. Mr. Holley is a former Wichita Falls boy, and his many friends here will be glad to learn of his continued advancement in his chosen line of business.

ANNOUNCEMENT

A limited number of new students for violin study accepted for 1919. Address, Charles J. Templeton, Templeton Violin School, 1107 Broad Street. Phone 1292. 191-12tc

Planning to Start Peace Conference On January 12th

By Associated Press. PARIS, Dec. 28.—Exchanges are now going on with a view to the assembling of the inter-allied conference on January 12. It has been known that President Wilson was extremely desirous of an early beginning of the conference sessions as possible and that his influence was exerted to this end.

DEBS CHALLENGES RIGHT CLAIMED BY GOVERNMENT

By Associated Press. WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The right of the government in exercising war powers to regulate public discussion and freedom of speech was denied by counsel for Eugene V. Debs in a brief filed today with the supreme court, asking reversal of judgments sentencing Debs to ten years imprisonment and a fine of \$10,000.

INFLUENZA ON DECLINE IN THE ARMY CAMPS

By Associated Press. WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Influenza is again definitely on the decline in army camps. A detailed report of health condition of troops in the United States issued today by the surgeon general's office did not show a single case in several of the larger camps for the week ended December 20.

BENEVOLENT LEAGUE HAS MEETING FRIDAY NIGHT

On Friday night at the office of Dr. M. A. Beckman, the board of directors of the Wichita Benevolent League met and transacted several business matters of importance. This league was organized as a mutual insurance organization by F. P. Bransford something like eighteen months ago.

REPORT INJURED MAN TO BE DOING WELL

Smith Harwell, injured Friday when the truck in which he was driving was struck by a train, is reported doing as well as can be expected today. Late Saturday friends here had been unable to get into communication with relatives of Billy Buss, fellow worker, who was killed in the same accident.

Public Stenographer

706 Ohio Ave. At the Hatterie.

SILLY MIKE OUTCLASSES CHRISTIE OF MILWAUKEE

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 28.—Billy Mike of St. Paul, out boxed Gus Christie of Milwaukee, in every round of a ten-round no-decision boxing contest last night.

Three dollars will buy absolute protection for your important papers and other valuables for an entire year.

That is the rental charge for a safe deposit box in the vault of the National Bank of Commerce. 136-1tc

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708 9th Street. Phone 220

Mrs. H. F. Robertson

will open her class in China painting, water colors, oil and tapestries, Monday afternoon, Dec. 30, at 2 p. m.

MILLINERY SALE COMMENCING MONDAY. Will close out all Hats, trimmed and untrimmed. We are prepared to show you a collection of styles that will surely appeal to you. Priced from \$1.00 to \$10. OLIVE A. CHILD 805 Indiana Ave.

SQUARING UP YOUR ACCOUNT MEANS. A clean record on the Government's books. Ownership of certificates guaranteed to increase in value. The performance of your patriotic duty as a citizen. Last day of grace is December 31st. Don't wait for the collector's visit. Pay your W. S. S. Pledge now. First National Bank.

After Xmas Sale! Every... Suit, Coat, Dress and Skirt. in the house on Sale. There are no exceptions, every garment in the ready to wear section to be placed on Sale commencing tomorrow morning. Tis useless to take so much valuable space to quote prices. What good are the prices alone when the value is not there. But we have the splendid merchandise and the prices will astonish you. All Trimmings Go at Half Price and Less. Many Suits at Half Price and Less. All Furs at greatly reduced prices—Big Reduction on Coats All Dresses, Silk and Serge, Afternoon, Evening and Street dresses all are Reduced. Silk Petticoats on Sale. Colonna

NORTHWEST TEXAS OIL DEVELOPMENT NEWS

SUNSHINE STATE BEGINS OPERATING PLANT SATURDAY

CRUDE OIL IS TURNED INTO FOUR BIG STILLS AND BOILERS FIRED UP.

CAPACITY 1250 BARRELS

Crude oil, from Burk Burnett, the wonder pool of the south, was turned into the four big stills of the Sunshine State Refining at Wichita Falls...

Plant is complete. There have been unavoidable delays in getting the refinery into operation...

G. C. Jensen, the president of the Sunshine State Refining, states that the plant has been built with a view to increasing capacity materially...

Block 32 Well Swabbing at Rate of 600 Per Day

The Findlay-Leach and Gusher Oil Companies well on Block 32 Burk Burnett townsite which has been shut down for some time while standardizing...

OH and Gas Leases. H. W. Burton to Wichita Valley Oil Co. 277 acres out of section 2, E. A. and M. R. R. Survey, \$100 and other considerations...

Texhoma Well Is Reported in Sand At Depth of 1666

The Texhoma Oil Company well on the Lohofner, just back the Lohofner coal yard, and across from the Burk Burnett station, was drilled into the sand at 1666 feet Friday with some scale...

Real Estate Transfers. C. T. Hovens to J. W. Cole, lot 15, block 25, Floral Heights, \$2750. S. J. Burgess to W. F. Weeks, lots 12 and 14, block 27, Floral Heights, \$2400...

REPORT ON CONDITION OF CLEARING BANKS. By Associated Press. NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—The actual condition of clearing house banks and trust companies for the week (five days) shows that they had \$4,200,000,000 in assets...

WEOWNA NO. 1 IS REPORTED FLOWING AT 1200 DAILY

Weowna No. 1, on the railroad right of way, just opposite Block 37 of the townsite at Burk Burnett, started flowing at five o'clock Saturday afternoon...

COMPLETIONS ARE REPORTED OUTSIDE OF TOWNSITE POOL

Completions in the Burk Burnett field outside of the townsite pool the past week included the Staley, Langford and Chenault Heizerman No. 5, which is said to be swabbing 200 barrels per day...

WEATHER AFFECTS WILDCAT PROJECTS IN ARCHER COUNTY

There is comparatively little of interest reported from the wild cat projects in nearby territory, the discouragement in the proven fields on account of the weather, having seemingly killed the wild cat projects...

RUMOR OF GUSHER SENDS STOCK SOARING. Burk-Briggs stock went soaring on the Fort Worth stock exchanges Saturday, probably due to a rumor that the well, which is now drilling across Red River from Burk Burnett, had blown in and was a gusher...

WEST TEXAS WELL DRILLED IN FRIDAY. The West Texas Oil Co. well on block 22 of the Burk Burnett townsite was drilled in Friday and was flowing with a good head of gas all day Saturday...

WILLIS-DAVIS WELL READY TO DRILL IN. The Willis-Davis well on block 6 of the Wigham addition finished with the rotary Friday and set casing Saturday. They have a star rig on the lease ready to drill in.

Vancleave Farm Lease For Sale. Several 2 1/2, 5 and 10 acre tracts out of blocks 102 and 103, south of road and near Helen-Elizabeth and Horne wells...

C. M. TAYLOR, BROKER Oil Stocks and Leases. I have 10 acres west of Burk Burnett close to production and offset to drilling location that is the best buy in the field...

PRINCIPLES ARE PROMULGATED BY THE BOLSHEVIKI

By Associated Press. WARSAW, Thursday, Dec. 28.—Four German soldiers arriving here from Vilna have brought with them copies of a declaration of bolshevik principles which was posted at Vilna...

The last act of former Emperor William was to expel the representative of the Russian government in Berlin. The treaties with Germany have been annulled by the German and Russian revolutions...

IRISH REPUBLIC PROCLAIMED WITH FLARING POSTERS

LONDON, Dec. 28.—Posters will appear in every parish in Ireland today announcing that the Irish republic has come into being, says the Express...

TO GIVE DEMONSTRATION OF TRACTOR ON MONDAY

A demonstration will be given by the Cleveland tractor Monday that will be of special interest to oil men as it will demonstrate the capabilities of the track-laying pipe tractors...

MISKE AND CHRISTIE ARE TO EXCHANGE PUNCHES

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 28.—Billy Miske, the St. Paul light heavyweight who fought Jack Dempsey twice, will exchange punches with Gus Christie, a Milwaukee favorite, in a ten-round bout here Friday night...

MANY OFFICERS OF AIR SERVICE KILLED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The war department announced today that 150 commissioned officers of the American air service were killed in action in France this year.

NATIONAL GUARD PARADING STREETS OF KANSAS CITY

By Associated Press. KANSAS CITY, MO., Dec. 28.—Four hundred members of the seventh regiment, national guard of Missouri, called out today by Governor Gardner at the request of Mayor Cowell...

Plan For Closer Relations With Major Leagues

By Associated Press. CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Plans for closer relations between the major and minor leagues were discussed at a conference today attended by President Stan Johnson of the American League...

FRED FULTON WINS OVER SAM LANGFORD

day, December 28. ST. LOUIS, Dec. 28.—Fred Fulton, Minnesota heavyweight, on the decision over Sam Langford, negro ring veteran of Boston, in a four round bout here last night...

CARDINALS CONSIDER TRAINING AT HOME

By Associated Press. ST. LOUIS, Dec. 28.—The plan to "train at home" if the major leagues adopt a 148-game schedule for 1919 is being considered by officials of the St. Louis National League club...

Wm. L. Baker 308 Commerce Bldg. KANSAS CITY, MO.

Send at once for our special letter under above title, giving legitimate reasons why oil stocks should now experience the greatest boom in history...

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CARLISLE IS BUSY PREPARING FOR THE PRESIDENT'S VISIT

By Associated Press. CARLISLE, ENGL., Dec. 28.—This bustling railway center, where an older times Briton and Scot often battled for supremacy, was busy today preparing to welcome President Wilson when he comes tomorrow to visit the girlhood home of his mother here...

BEGIN SHIPMENT OF FOODSTUFF TO RELIEVE AUSTRIA

By Associated Press. WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The Swiss government began today the shipment of more than one thousand tons of foodstuffs to Vienna for the relief of the civil population, with the cooperation of Dr. Alberto Taylor, Herbert Hoover's representative in southern Europe...

SIGLER IS WAITING CALL TO PRACTICE

By Associated Press. ST. LOUIS, Dec. 28.—George Sigler, star first baseman with the St. Louis Americans, having received his discharge from the army, is awaiting the call for spring baseball practice...

Burkburnett Boom In Oil Stocks

Send at once for our special letter under above title, giving legitimate reasons why oil stocks should now experience the greatest boom in history...

148,750 Barrels of Oil Produced in One Week from the Burk Burnett field, which sold for more than \$300,000

To conservative investors the Wichita Dividend Oil Company offers an unusual opportunity of buying stock in a company where the chance of failure has been practically eliminated...

Wichita Dividend Oil Company

Room 2, National Bank of Commerce Bldg., Wichita Falls, Tex. We have something unusual in the way of a contract to offer reliable Salesmen.

MANY "SLACKERS" DESERT BRIDES OF, BUT FEW MONTHS

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—The "slacker marriages" performed by thousands in the early days of the selective service law, are beginning to bear fruit in the form of deserted wives and children...

The Wichita Falls Oil & Stock Exchange

709 Ohio—Phone 238. Open call to public 11 a. m., 8:15 p. m. daily. Our charge is 3% on oil stock sales. Special attention to leases. We have a special lease department...

Wichita Falls Oil & Stock Exchange

Monday morning, Dec. 16, we will be installed in our new quarters and ready for business at 719 1/2 Ohio Ave., where we will have more than double the space formerly occupied...

Best Buy in Burk Burnett

13 1-3 acres in Hammond & Newman subdivision, block 14, lot 4, \$600 per acre. 10 acres in Hammond & Newman subdivision, block 10, lot 17, \$600 per acre.

LIQUID GOLD PETROLEUM CO.

Holdings in Section 24 Cotton County, Okla., just across the river, and east of Burkbridge Co. holdings. Capital Stock, \$45,000 Shares \$10.00 Par Value.

Our Directors

This company is being promoted by experienced oil and business men, among them being O. H. Foster, promoter of the Burk Burnett Dome Oil & Gas Co., now drilling at 1000 feet near the famous Smith well...

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Liquid Gold Petroleum Co.

Room 5 Jones-Kennedy Bldg. A FEW GOOD AGENTS WANTED

Vancleave Farm Leases For Sale!

Several 2 1/2, 5 and 10 acre tracts out of block 102 and 103—South of road and near Helen-Elizabeth and Horne wells—stay up close and get good wells—For prices and terms call at.

Room 408 K. & K. Bldg. Office Phone 71—Residence Phone 1756

PLAN CAMPAIGN UNITED CHARITIES NEW YEAR'S DAY

THOROUGH CANVASSES OF THE CITY TO BE MADE BY VOLUNTEER WORKERS.

VALUE OF ORGANIZATION

Meeting Was Postponed From Thanksgiving On Account of War Activities.

Next Wednesday, New Year's Day, the city will be canvassed in behalf of the United Charities fund for 1919. Plans for this canvass were laid at a meeting of representatives of the various churches, held Friday at the City National Bank. The asking of subscriptions to the annual budget of the United Charities have been taken on Thanksgiving Day heretofore, but on account of the various war activities this campaign was postponed, until the present time, and now the president, C. C. Hunt, is calling on the people of Wichita Falls for their usual liberal support of the organization to give aid to the worthy poor of the city.

Multitude of Calls. There are always a multitude of calls upon the citizenship by charity and we must not forget to provide for the wants of those who are suffering at our doors, while we are giving to the worthy causes of the war sufferers in foreign lands, says Mr. Hunt.

He also calls attention of the business men to the value of having the charities distributed in the most effective and intelligent manner, which is accomplished, by having the budget administered by the Salvation Army leader in the city, who keeps in close touch with the poor if the city, to which the money is contributed, and who is able to place the funds where they are needed most.

Contributors to the fund will be given certificates of membership which they are asked to hang in their places of business. The certificates contain the following note to the members: "You are requested not to give to any strange applicant for charity, but to send them to the Captain of the Salvation Army, phone 1221." In this way the chance of encouraging professional beggars and other unworthies is avoided.

The committee appointed to make the canvass next Wednesday is divided into teams as follows: J. M. Blane and Norris Martin, L. R. Buchanan and Parker Simson, R. E. Shepherd and W. L. Robertson, Otto Stehlik and G. E. Friberg, M. A. Bunney and J. Wilkie Talbert, R. L. Inge and J. M. Baber, H. O. Craven and J. C. Hunt.

Bond In Alleged Illicit Still Cases Placed at \$1500

Walter Steadham, Spurg Steadham, J. A. Cole and C. W. Jackson of Graham were brought over from Graham yesterday morning for a hearing before U. S. Commissioner Lantz on a complaint charging them with operating an illicit still and selling liquor without an internal revenue license. They waived the hearing and were bound over to the federal grand jury and their bond placed at \$1500 each.

Monday morning the five men, arrested here last week and charged by complaint with operating an illicit still, will be given a preliminary hearing before Commissioner Lantz. The men are Abraham and Jacob Babbitt, A. M. Scott, J. T. Pinson and S. H. Smith.

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Miss Hamlin Weds Lieutenant England Saturday at Noon

The marriage of Miss Ola May Hamlin and Lieutenant Henry Grady England was solemnized at twelve o'clock on Saturday at the First Christian church in the presence of a large number of friends. Rev. Chalmers McPherson of Fort Worth, a life long friend of the bride, was the officiating minister.

The church was beautiful in decorations of green and white, the color scheme being carried out in detail throughout the arrangements. Preceding the ceremony, Miss Jennie Mae Agnew and J. W. Bradley sang "The Sunshine of Your Smile," which was followed by a violin solo by Miss Gertrude Jackson. Miss Agnew then read the wedding vows, after which Mrs. R. E. Strange, at the pipe organ began the strains of Lohengrin's Bridal Chorus.

The bridal party was led to the altar by Misses Margaret Bond and Mildred Miller, flower girls, both in white, and little Edward Silk, in white, and little Edward Silk, in white, and little Edward Silk, in white. The groomsmen, all in white, carried rings, ring bearers. Down the left aisle there followed six brides maids, in white, gossamer with green halo shepherds hats and carrying gorgeous bouquets of white carnations. They were Misses Louise Maupin, Pinta Huff, Georgia Lou England, Agnes Reed and Caro-Bell Blair. Miss Louise Hamlin, sister of the bride, as maid of honor, followed the brides maids, Miss Hamlin was in white gossamer, with the hat also in white. At the altar the bride's attendants formed themselves into an aisle of beauty through which the bride passed as she approached the altar.

The bride wore a military atmosphere to the ceremony in keeping with the groom's position in the service. Approaching the altar down the right aisle of the church they formed an aisle similar to that made to the bride's attendants. The groomsmen were Lieutenant Sanders, Captain Jones, Anderson, Elright and Buckler.

The bride entered on the arm of her brother, Harold Hamlin, who gave her away. She was in midnight blue French velvet with hat and other accessories in taupe. She carried a white shower bouquet.

Lieutenant England was attended to the altar by Wilder Keenan, of Seymour, best man. Immediately following the ceremony, Lieutenant and Mrs. England left for St. Louis, where Lieutenant England is stationed for the present.

The bride is the older daughter of Mrs. Ola Hamlin, and the late Rev. R. E. Hamlin, prominent minister in the Christian church. She has spent practically her entire life in Wichita Falls. She graduated from the local high school with highest honors a few years ago.

Lieutenant England spent several years in Wichita Falls before entering the army. He is a State University man and was formerly connected with local oil interests and intends to return to Wichita Falls, his home, upon his discharge from the service.

Both young people have many friends in Wichita Falls who are sending with them the best of wishes. Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Huff and daughter, Miss Pinta, were here from Dallas to attend the wedding. Misses Georgia Lee and Jessie England, of Seymour, sisters of the groom, and Mrs. Emily Bacon of Fort Worth, were also among the out of town guests.

Marriage Licenses. Marriage licenses were issued Saturday as follows: John H. Martin to Mrs. Gaudia Crain; P. H. McKinney to Miss Bessie McNeill; John Ewing England to Ola May Hamlin. The following licenses were issued Friday evening: Albert J. Smith to Mrs. Pearl Lemmon; George A. Lewellen to Miss Vera A. Rinschert; J. H. Palmer to Virginia Morrison.

NOTICE! This is to notify my pupils that I will be out of the city temporarily. I have been unable to find a house and will have to give up the one I have been occupying.—MRS. E. L. FULTON.

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SCHOOL WORK IS TO BE RESUMED MONDAY MORNING

The Christmas holidays are over and Monday morning will see the school students of Wichita Falls back into school routine again after a ten days vacation. The new term opens auspiciously, with the influenza on the wane and the weather fine. During the next five months the students will have to accomplish about six months work on account of the break in the fall term because of the influenza epidemic.

The school buildings are in good condition for the resumption of classes and several vacant positions in the faculty have been filled during the holidays.

FEW INFLUENZA CASES DEVELOP WITH 2 DEATHS

There is still some influenza in Wichita Falls, and new cases continue to develop, according to reports coming in to the office of the city health officer.

On Friday seven new cases were reported at the office, with no further developments up until noon Saturday. There were two deaths from influenza reported on Friday.

MISB DEET SAULS AND LOUIS GARFUNKEL WED

On Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Rather, 916 Scott, the marriage of Miss Deet Sauls to Louis Garfunkel of Call Field was solemnized at 7 o'clock in the presence of a number of relatives and intimate friends of the bride and groom. Rev. Harry F. Draper, pastor of the First Methodist church, was the officiant. The home was attractively decorated for the ceremony with bells and other Christmas emblems.

The bride is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Sauls in Brookston, Texas. She has been prominent in the work of the First Methodist church since her residence in this city. During the past two years she has been connected with the Texas Company, and in her business and social life as well she has made many friends. The groom came to Call Field in December of last year, and during the first month of his stay met his bride, and the romance which culminated in the wedding of Friday had its beginning at that time. The many friends of the bride and groom will unite in congratulations and good wishes.

FUNERAL OF MRS. McQUERRY HELD SATURDAY MORNING

The funeral of Mrs. J. C. McQuerry, who died on Thursday was held from the home at 3309 Buchanan on Saturday morning, with Rev. J. C. Dunbar conducting the services. Besides her husband, Mrs. McQuerry leaves six children, Tillman, in France, Wesley, Maude, Byron, Claude and Boyd, two brothers, Charles and B. Cobb, and three sisters, Mesdames Sally Tally, Ada Polser and Hattie Barleman.

SPECIAL HOLIDAY RECITAL NEXT FRIDAY AFTERNOON

The younger expression pupils studying under Miss Ella Day, assisted by the piano students of Miss Gladys Herron, will give a special holiday recital at the high school auditorium on Friday afternoon of this week. The program includes varied numbers from some of the best students in both classes, and friends of the classes and of the school are invited to be present.

HUNT MAN WHO IS REPORTED TO HAVE SUICIDED

C. W. Ogden and Lieut. W. A. Meek of W. O. W. Lodge 1037 of Hardwood, Oklahoma, were here yesterday to learn details of the supposed death of Ord McKinney of that place. McKinney left home about ten days ago to go to his ranch near Atoka, these men said. A few days later his wife, Mrs. Paula McKinney, received a letter dated at Denton on December 18 over the signature of her husband in which she was told that he was so pressed by debt that he had decided to end it all with a bullet.

On December 23rd following the receipt of this letter, Mrs. McKinney received a small box by parcel post, mailed at Wichita Falls and containing McKinney's pocket knife, his watch, some handkerchiefs on which his children's names were written, some receipts issued by a live stock commission firm, some cancelled notes and other personal belongings, and with it a letter which said "McKinney's body had been found in a woods about eight miles southwest of Wichita Falls and the body was found on a bad state of decomposition that it was necessary to bury it where found. The letter also stated that an inquest had been held and that "E. M. Roberts" was a witness at this inquest.

On December 26, a party giving his name as "E. M. Roberts" called Mrs. McKinney over the long distance telephone from Ardmore, Oklahoma, but the connection was so bad that he could not talk with Mrs. McKinney but did talk with a banker at Hardwood confirming the report in the letter signed "J. M. Smith." Messrs. Ogden and Smith were sent here from Hardwood by the W. O. W. Lodge to locate the spot where McKinney's body had been buried and to learn anything except that "J. M. Roberts" and "E. M. Roberts" are unknown in the community eight miles southwest from Wichita Falls or in the city and that no report had been received concerning the finding of any body recently.

Christmas Gift To Afflicted Boy By Two Citizens

Friends of George Sonricker and C. F. Johnson, of the Lone Star Refinery have just divulged one Christmas gift these two men made that undoubtedly meant as much as any other one gift made in Wichita Falls during the holidays, to the person least able to receive it. They are bravely trying to do his part in this world of work, though laboring against odds, uses a specially constructed vehicle to enable him to go from place to place, as he tries to do what work he can.

MR. AND MRS. BAILEY VISIT FERGUSON HOME

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Bailey of Decatur are here for a short visit with Mr. and Mrs. S. Y. Ferguson. Mr. Bailey, who has been but recently relieved from war work that he has been engaged in at Washington, has considerable oil interests in the county.

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MORTUARY

Jim Brown, understood to be around ninety years old, and for nine years an inmate of the county farm, was found dead in his room at the farm on Saturday morning. After an inquest held before Justice R. V. Gwin on Saturday morning, the cause of death was attributed to old age. The funeral will be held at 10 o'clock this morning, with services at the cemetery.

Funeral services for Vanice Benruger, eleven year old daughter of L. Cole, were held from the Hines Chapel of on Saturday morning. The little girl died from influenza on Friday. Her death followed that of her mother by a few days. The home is at 115 Mill street.

With its ample resources and efficient organization, the National Bank of Commerce is in a position to take care of the present and future banking needs of your business. 196-11c

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POLICE COURT HAS A BUSY SESSION SATURDAY

City and military courts were working on a little business which is alleged to have occurred following a public dance held Friday night. There were several of the alleged participants in police court Saturday morning, but the cases were passed until Monday, or until a full investigation can be made.

One speeder paid a fine of \$10 Saturday morning, and another defendant, who was charged with disturbing the peace, contributed another \$10 to the treasury.

The National Bank of Commerce is a "Aguara" bank—a bank for all the people. No favored interests or group of men control it. It plays fair with all depositors. 196-11c

Are You a Day Dreamer

—one of the unfortunates that were offered stock in FOWLER, HAMMOND, MARINE, HELEN-ELIZABETH and numerous other companies AT PAR—AND REFUSED IT?

Don't You Envy the Fellow Who Grabbed It

AND—Don't you lay awake nights and permit your imagination to run RIOT, and see yourself IN HIS BOOTS—enjoying the luxuries made possible through his foresights? Wake UP!

Here is another opportunity that wont last long—YOU GRAB IT!

Buy Park Pool Oil Stock

Our property directly adjoins the famous Munger well, only 50 feet from the well you have been reading of lately, that produces the oil worth \$4.25 per barrel.

We Own Forty Acres and Are Capitalized at Only \$30,000 \$10.00 Par

This wont last long—you can't afford not to buy. You owe it to yourself to at least investigate and if you do you will buy!

If out of town wire your reservation at once and mail draft to cover, but you'll have to hurry as it is selling fast.

C. A. EVERTS

705 Ohio Ave.

NEW BEDROOM FURNITURE

A delayed shipment of Bedroom Furniture has just arrived and we are now offering an unusual selection of medium priced Suits in Walnut, Gum and Ivory. These new goods fill the demand of those who are looking for period designs at a moderate cost.

"Sleeping On A Sealy is Like Sleeping On A Cloud"

The Sealy Mattress gives real comfort and a perfect night's rest. It gives to the body where it lies the heaviest. It conforms to its curves.

Sealy Sanitary Tuftless MATTRESS

Never Packs or Becomes Lumpy. Made of pure cotton. It is soft, clean and sanitary. Requires no care and is guaranteed for 25 years never to become lumpy or lumpy. See these famous Sealy mattresses on display at our show room.

Price \$40—worth it.

THE SEALY

May be higher at first cost but think of the life of it.



Bedroom Suits \$85.00 to \$350.00

Quaker Craft LACE CURTAINS

DON'T FORGET

The important place window drapery fills in the twentieth century residence.

A LITTLE MONEY carefully spent will work wonders in the appearance of your home.



North Texas Furniture Co

HOME FURNISHERS

GENERAL PERSHING ISSUES RULES FOR OCCUPIED REGIONS

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REGULATE LIQUOR SALE

Only Light Wine or Beer Permitted And Hours Are Prescribed For Sale Thereof.

By Associated Press. COBLENZ, Friday, Dec. 27.—Rules for the guidance of inhabitants of regions occupied by American forces were issued today by General Pershing. Except for minor and specific regulations the Americans have not interfered in local affairs up till today. Cafes have been open and theaters filled night after night. Newspapers, until recently, have published without restraint such articles as they desired, while crowds promenade the streets until midnight, and even later. The Germans had come to believe that such conditions would continue and while there were no serious incidents as a result of the tolerant rule of the Americans it was deemed best to check any tendency toward abuse.

To Maintain Good Order. The regulations published today were signed by General James W. Andrew, chief of staff by command of General Pershing. In drafting them an effort was made to avoid the inclusion of any rules which would merely humiliate the population or which savored of retaliation or revenge. They are intended simply to maintain good order.

The text of the proclamation follows: "Every person above the age of twelve must carry at all times an identification card bearing his signature and age. Such card will when issued, be stamped by the appropriate civil official. Notification of change of address must be immediately made to the appropriate civil official and endorsed by him on the identification card. The head of each household must keep posted on the outer door of the building a list showing the name, nationality, sex, age and occupation of every person of the household."

Will Control Travel. The burmaster, under the direction of the American authorities, will regulate travel within the districts occupied by Americans and he will be held responsible for strict compliance with all regulations. Authority to leave the American zone will be granted only by a division of higher command.

The carrying of arms or deadly weapons is forbidden except by the local police. Every person in possession of arms or ammunition of any kind must deliver them to the American authorities at such time or place as may be appointed. A receipt for such weapons will be given at the time of delivery.

Regulate Sale of Liquor. The sale or gift of all alcoholic drinks except light wine and beer is forbidden. The sale or gift of light wine or beer is prohibited except from 11 o'clock a. m. to 2 o'clock p. m. and from 5 o'clock p. m. to 9 o'clock p. m. These orders respecting drinks render the offender liable, in addition to other punishment, to confiscation of his stock and the closing of his business.

All gathering of crowds is forbidden. No meeting or assembly of persons shall take place without authority from the local military commander. Sessions of courts, councils and schools as well as religious services may be held as usual.

Censorship Imposed. A copy of each newspaper or other publication will be delivered to the local military commander immediately upon issue and the appearance of any matter reflecting upon or injurious to the American military government will render the publication liable to suspension or suppression. Excepting the

TO INVESTIGATE FAILURE TO SEND ELECTION REPORT

By Associated Press. AUSTIN, TEX., Dec. 28.—County attorneys of thirteen counties were today instructed by the state election board to investigate and find out why county judges of these counties had failed to send in election returns to the board. The board which is composed of the governor, the attorney general and the secretary of state, has been in session since December 20, and the completion of their work is delayed by the missing reports. In addition to the counties which have failed to send in any reports, there are seventy-five which have failed to send returns on county and precinct officers. The vote cast in the last election is now estimated as follows: Democratic 168,000; republican 22,000; socialist 1,800. This is approximately half of the vote cast by the first two parties two years ago.

periodical press no printed matter will be published without permission from the local military authorities. "Mail is restricted to censorship by the American military authorities. The use of the telegraph and long distance telephone is forbidden except by permission from the local military commander. The use of aerial wireless apparatus is forbidden and all private telephone or telegraphic apparatus, ground or aerial, wireless apparatus, must be reported to the military commander at once. No person may without authority from the local military commander transmit any message, communication to any person outside the territory occupied by American troops except through the post-office."

LIEUT. COL. FICKEL IS INJURED IN ACCIDENT

By Associated Press. FORT WORTH, TEX., Dec. 28.—The airplane of Lieutenant Colonel Fickel, commander of Carruthers Field skidded on the ice in landing at Fossil, Okla., yesterday and ran into a fence, injuring the officer. He was able to return to Fort Worth by train today. He was on the way to Oklahoma City when hurt.

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SERVICE MEDALS ARE AWARDED TO ARMY OFFICIALS

By Associated Press. WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Upon recommendation of General March, it was announced today. Distinguished Service Medals will be awarded to the following general officers for services rendered at home during the war: Major General William M. Black, chief of engineers, for planning and administering the military railroad service. Major General Enoch H. Crowder, for preparing and operating the draft laws as provost marshal general. Major General George W. Goethals, retired, for reorganizing the quarter master department and organizing and administering the division of supplies, purchase and storage, general staff. Major General William C. Gorgas, retired, for organizing and administering the medical department as surgeon general. Brigadier General Frank T. Hines, organizing and administering the emarkation service, and Brigadier General Henry Jervay, general staff, for directing the division of operations, general staff, which had charge of the mobilization of personnel. These recommendations have been approved by Secretary Baker.

CITY OF VILNA THREATENED BY THE BOLSHEVIKI

By Associated Press. LONDON, Dec. 28.—Vilna, the capital of Lithuania, is threatened by an advance of bolshevist troops, according to a Warsaw dispatch to the Mail under date of Thursday. The Polish chief of staff has demanded of the German general Hoffman and Falkenhayn, free passage for Polish troops trains over lines now in German hands from the Polish frontier to Vilna. The Germans are also asked to permit the rejoining of the Polish and Lithuanian railroads which were cut by the Germans. If the German reply is unfavorable, the Poles will begin a march into Lithuania for they are determined not to allow the bolshevists to capture Vilna without an attempt to prevent it. The Polish have telegraphed the Allies asking them to send officers and accompany the troops.

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Market Report

Cotton Market

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—A further reaction during today's early trading was followed by a very sharp recovery in the cotton market. The general list closed strong at a net advance of 40 to 67 points.

The market opened steady at a decline of seven points to an advance of 15 points, but weakened under a renewal of realizing or liquidation and scattered southern selling. The disappointingly small exports reported during the past week, seems to have strengthened reactionary sentiment while the week end figures otherwise were considered bearish, and for a time the market was under considerable pressure.

Southern selling was not active or general enough to suggest any general weakening of the spot situation, however, and the market turned steadier. The buying to cover shorts that became more active, while they appeared to be a broadening trade demand in the later morning. Japanese and Liverpool interests were among the more active buyers while there was a considerable demand attributed to French commission and the market advanced rapidly. The close was a shade off from the under realizing.

Reports from Manchester say the trade is looking forward to an increased turnover after the turn of the year and reports from the domestic goods trade also indicated expectations of an increasing business.

New Orleans Cotton.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 28.—Liquidation caused a fall on the opening of the cotton market today, and on a continuation of the reaction which started yesterday, the trading months by the middle of the morning were sent 32 to 35 points under the close of yesterday but after that the consolidation of which wholly was changed on the buying the market shot up 71 levels 42 to 80 points above the last quotations of yesterday. The net changes for the day were advances of 40 to 85 points.

Several reasons were advanced for the strength of the market. It was generally claimed that shorts were afraid of what might happen in Liverpool Monday when the market re-opens after five days of inactivity. Again it was the contention among longs that the market had not been so overbought as supposed. Rumors of lower ocean freight rates in January also helped values.

Grain Market

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Efforts of shorts to escape losses in nearby deliveries carried the corn market up grade today, except March and May options which showed a slight setback. The close was firm, January \$1.43 to \$1.44, May \$1.36 to \$1.37 and the finish as a whole half off to 3% advance compared with 24 hours before.

At first all deliveries of corn barring only December had a downward slant owing to predictions that of New Year's a larger crop movement would take place. Subsequently, however, the fact became evident that the congestion in December contracts had affected the January delivery. A good bulge in prices for both months followed and for February as well. Rail rates took place also in March and May.

Improved domestic demand gave independent strength to oats.

Provisions were governed chiefly by the action of corn. Strength in the hog market appeared to have but little if any direct influence.

	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	CLOSE
CORN				
Dec.	1.58	1.61	1.57 1/2	1.61
Jan.	1.42	1.43 1/2	1.41	1.43
Feb.	1.37 1/2	1.38 1/2	1.36 1/2	1.38 1/2
March	1.36 1/2	1.36 1/2	1.35 1/2	1.36 1/2
May	1.36 1/2	1.37	1.35 1/2	1.36 1/2
OATS				
Dec.	.68 1/2	.69 1/2	.68 1/2	.69 1/2
Jan.	.68 1/2	.69 1/2	.68 1/2	.69 1/2
Feb.	.68 1/2	.69 1/2	.68 1/2	.69 1/2
March	.68 1/2	.69 1/2	.68 1/2	.69 1/2
May	.64 1/2	.70 1/2	.69	.70 1/2
PORK				
Jan.	43.00	43.10	43.00	43.25
May	43.00	43.10	43.00	43.19
LARD				
Dec.	23.87	23.90	23.75	23.87
Jan.	23.80	23.90	23.75	23.87
May	23.80	24.07	23.87	24.07
HIBS				
Jan.	25.02	25.07	25.02	25.07
May	23.75	23.77	23.65	23.77

Kansas City Cash Grain.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 28.—Corn: No. 2 mixed \$1.52 1/2; No. 2 white \$1.52 1/2; No. 2 yellow \$1.54 1/2; No. 2 mixed \$1.54 1/2.

Chicago Produce.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Butter: high-er; creamery 55 1/2; Eggs, potatoes and poultry, alive: unchanged.

New York Stocks

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Opening with a number of irregular changes in which losses predominated, today's brief but very active stock market suddenly reversed its course, closing with a broad demonstration of strength.

Early weakness was caused by reactions of one to almost three points in Marine Preferred, low grade rails, coppers and varied groups of specialties.

But pressure was directed also against Sinclair Oil which was freely offered at an extreme recession of two points, followed by a rebound in which this loss was more than regained.

It was not until an inquiry set in for high grade investment rails that the market caught its upward stride. Steels, coppers, oils and utilities participated in the advance with tobacco, food shares and a number of the better known specialties. Sales amounted to \$60,000 shares.

Liberty Issues

Liberty issues again featured the bond market, about 80 per cent of the turnover representing those flotations, which ranged slightly over yesterday's final prices. Old U. S. bonds were unchanged on call during the week.

Final prices on Liberty bonds today were: 3 1/2's 99.40; first convertible 4 1/2's 92.84; second 4's 92.90; first convertible 4 1/2's 96.40; second convertible 4 1/2's 94.00; third 95.32; fourth 4 1/2's 94.38.

Livestock

Fort Worth Livestock.

FORT WORTH, TEX., Dec. 28.—Cattle: receipts 500; steady; beefs \$7.50@14.00; stockers \$7.00@11.00; cows \$5.00@8.50; heifers \$8.00@10.50; bulls \$5.50@7.90; calves \$6.00@11.50.

Hogs: receipts 1200; active and steady; heavy \$17.25@17.35; medium \$17.00@17.25; light \$16.75@17.00; mixed \$16.00@16.25; common \$14.00@16.00; pigs \$5.00@13.00.

Sheep: receipts none; unchanged. Lambs \$13.00@15.00; yearlings \$10.00@12.00.

Kansas City Livestock

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 28.—Hogs: receipts 2,300; steady; bulk \$17.10@17.50; heavy \$17.00@17.60; high \$16.30@17.40; pigs \$9.00@13.00.

Cattle: receipts 200; no southern; steady; prime fed steers \$18.00@20.00; dressed beef steers \$13.00@18.00; southern steers \$7.00@13.00; cows \$7.00@14.00; heifers \$8.00@14.50; stockers \$7.50@16.00; calves \$7.00@7.00@13.50.

Sheep: receipts 200; strong Lambs \$12.00@15.00; yearlings \$11.00@12.00.

Cotton Seed Oil

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Cotton seed oil was dull with prices nominal. Prime crude \$17.50.

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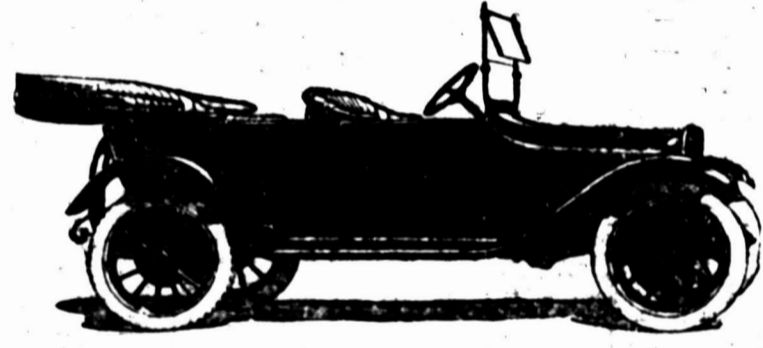
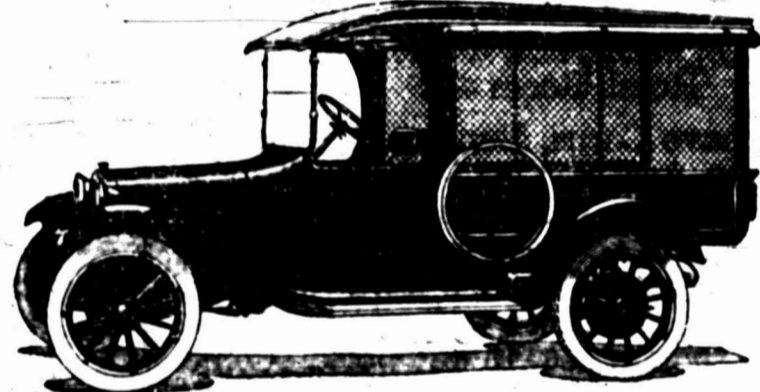
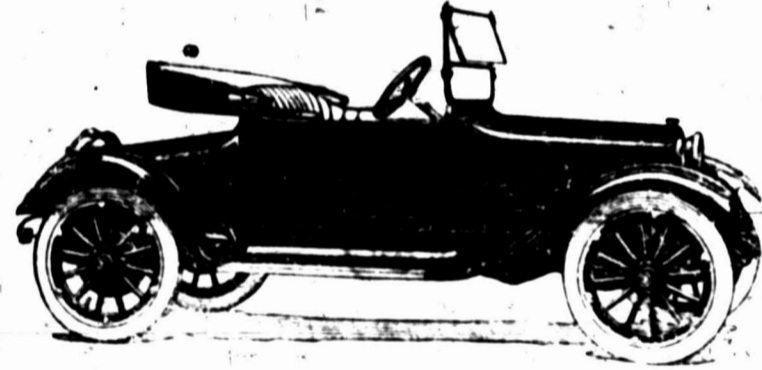
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5500.00 BUYS a modern five room home, with good garage, on Tenth st. 1500 sq. ft. with light to worth the money and that will bring you a profit. Let us show you this place. N. O. Monroe. Phone 2454. 196-31p

OIL DEVELOPMENT

FOR LEASE—71 acres 4 1/2 miles southeast Burkburnett; one well flowing over top with oil at 400 feet. Price \$12,500. Box 225, Wichita Falls, Texas. Mr. Milbury. 193-11c

MISCELLANEOUS WANTS

WANTED—To buy from owner, good residence property of five or six rooms worth the money. Phone 14, ask for Mr. Milbury. 193-11c

AUTOMOBILE ACCESSORIES

WE HAVE an expert battery man in charge of our battery department who can repair any make of battery, regardless of its condition. Give us a trial. We guarantee our work. We call for and deliver. Standard Garage, 904 Scott Ave., phone 219. 183-11c

LEGAL NOTICES

said addition duly recorded in the Deed Records of Wichita County, Texas. Also the following described tract of land but of Block No. 164 of Highland Addition to the City of Wichita Falls, in Wichita County, Texas, to-wit:

IF YOU WANT SERVICE

AMERICAN DRY CLEANERS Phone 101 813 10th St. For City Loans, Farm or Ranch Loans—For Fire and Tornado Insurance see FRED T. COUPER Phone 332 205 First National Bank Bldg.

METAL WEATHER STRIPS SAVE FUEL—SAVE LABOR Have us install the Athey Metal Weather Strip in your Residence. Wichita Builder's Supply Co. Phone 465—501 Kemp & Kell Bldg. An Investment—Not an Expense

I have moved on my own property corner of Ohio Avenue and 3rd street with the greatest stock of memorials that has ever been assembled in this section. My work is unexcelled, this implies service as well as perfect construction. It is unsatisfactory to buy from pictures through imagination. Come and see the real art. M. G. Catter Marble and Granite Works Corner Ohio Avenue and 3rd Street Phone 2200

ANNOUNCING The Gibraltar Oil Stock Exchange Over the Jones-Kennedy Store, Seventh and Indiana The Exchange will be formally opened January 1. Reservations may now be made for space and board privileges. IF INTERESTED, CALL 2536

Oil Men! Office space for rent in Friberg Bldg. Apply Room 10, 808 1/2 Ohio Ave. For Sale! Nice Furniture for Five Room House, D. J. WHITE Phone 473 or 860

McFall Transfer & Storage Co. Moving, Packing, Crating and Storage Teaming Contractors We are prepared to handle anything for the oil fields. Baggage calls made night or day. Phone night or day 14—Office 613 7th

PROFESSIONAL CARDS ATTORNEYS: ROBERT E. RUFF Attorney-at-Law Prompt attention to all civil business Notary in office. Office: Near First National Bank. JOHN C. KAY RAY & ARIN Attorneys-at-Law Office: 146 First National Bank Building. W. F. Weeks HARRY C. Weeks Attorneys-at-Law 515 First National Bank Building. J. M. BLANKENSHIP Attorney-at-Law (City and Criminal Law) Office Phone 1237. 207 K & K. BME. T. F. HUNTER Attorney-at-Law (City and Criminal Law) Office Phone 421. Suite 204-206 First Nat'l Bank Building. E. W. Nicholson C. H. Felder Attorneys-at-Law Office: 210 First National Bank Building. FLETCHER & JOHNSON Attorneys-at-Law Office: 210 First National Bank Building. BERNARD MARTIN H. G. O'NEAL Attorneys-at-Law Office: Room 206 K & K. Building. MARTIN, BELLINGTON, BOONE & HENNINGER Attorneys-at-Law Office: 210 First National Bank Building. J. M. Honner T. B. Greenwood Attorneys-at-Law Office 121 Wichita Falls. AMOBT & SHOOT Office in Friberg Building. W. N. Fitzgerald H. F. Weldon Attorneys-at-Law Office: 204-206 First Nat'l Bank Building. Phone 397. Notary in Office. CARROLLAN, BRITAIN & HOBAN Attorneys-at-Law Room 120 First National Bank Building. DENTISTS: Healdene 408 Office 200 DR. JAMES A. STEVENS Dentist 205 First National Bank Building. ARCHITECTS AND CIVIL ENGINEERS: SARGUNTEY, STANTS & FAYE Architects Wichita Falls, Tex. ISSUES & SPECIALS: Civil Engineers and Surveyors. Rooms 4 and 5 over the Friberg Bldg. of Corner. Office Phone 1001. Box 270. GARLANDER, BRITAIN & HOBAN Attorneys-at-Law Office: 210 First National Bank Building. 702 Seventh St. Cor. 10th St. Phone 221

DeBerry & Hodgins Real Estate. CITY PROPERTY, FARM LANDS AND OIL LEASES. See our classified ads. 808 1/2 Ohio Ave. Phone 25 I have some good acreage near the Zink well that can be bought cheap now. The land is going up every day. If you want a bargain in small or large tracks see me at once. R. J. SMITH Iowa Park, Texas Phone 25

Home building a specialty— Terms the best to be had E. L. WALSH A HOME BUILDER Have about a dozen choice lots located on Elizabeth and Lucile Sts. Phone 715 and arrange for appointment.

When It Is 75 Degrees Below and you are in bed trying to keep from freezing to death you will remember reading once upon a time to play Safety First and Buy Your Coal Early. Remember that when the thermometer goes down the price of Coal goes up. 707-10th Marice Coal & Feed Co. Phone 437

Wanted To Buy Second-Hand Furniture and Stoves McLaughlin Furniture Co. Phone 510

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MATTRESSES RENOVATED Have your old mattress made over. Samples of ticking and prices for the work submitted upon request, and your mattress returned the same day it is received. All work is absolutely guaranteed satisfactory to you. For further information phone W. A. Freear Furniture Company 136 or the Wichita Mattress Co. 1612.

EGGS AND POULTRY FOR SALE—Thorough bred Plymouth Rock cockerels, \$3.00 each. J. B. Jenkins, Jolly, Texas. 195-61p

OIL STOCK AND LEASES

DRILLER WANTED—I have a client who wants a 1600 foot well drilled at once. Odie H. Foster, Room 5, over Jones-Kennedy store. 196-11c

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

BURKBURNETT—Only confectionery business in town; location is one of the best; will sell out at invoice price. Want to go in on business. Address: Box 487A. 194-31p

LIVESTOCK

WANTED—To buy fat cattle. Phone 8062-F12. 163-871p

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Twenty eight Star machines, thirty five horse mounted bolters; all big standard tools, everything nearly new and complete for drilling. Can be loaded in ten hours and should reach Wichita Falls in one day. Phone 957, Denton, Texas. 196-51p

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FOR LEASE—Land in from 40 to 140 acre tracts; also have royalty to sell near producing wells. Write F. C. Vogel, Burkburnett, or phone 2 long on 12. 194-61p

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ANNOUNCE THAT FLYING WILL BE RESUMED FRIDAY

MAJOR ALFONTE ANNOUNCES WORK WILL CONTINUE AS BEFORE HOLIDAYS.

CADETS TO GRADUATE

No Further Orders Have Been Received Regarding Leave on Camp Activities.

Flying will be resumed at (all field this coming Friday, January 3, when the Christmas holiday will terminate, and pending further orders, Major Alfonte and his staff are going to push the work of flying and proceed just as though the war wasn't over, or the information hadn't come that all field days are numbered.

The first class of the cadets who were sent here shortly before the armistice was signed will be graduated in about two weeks time, according to Major Alfonte, the class to number around twenty. If the weather is favorable these men should take their R. M. A. tests two weeks after flying is resumed.

Officers Receive Discharges. It will probably be more than a week before any definite information concerning the close of the flying field will be received, Major Alfonte stated. Officers are being given their discharges, where their application for discharge is approved by the commanding officer, and there have been about a dozen enlisted men who have been given discharges because of conditions existing in their families, which made their presence desirable. There are being no general discharges given enlisted men, only the exceptional individual case being considered.

Applications Approved. Applications of the following officers for discharges have been approved by the commanding officer: First Lieutenant Jackson P. Whittinghill, Oklahoma City; First Lieut.

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Furs! Furs! Furs! Absolute Clean-Up—Going out of the Fur Business One Day and One Day only, Monday, Dec. 30th, '18. Note This List One \$325 Mink set \$175.00 One \$225 genuine Lynx set \$100.00 One \$300 Brown Fox set \$150.00 One \$125 Parrot Fox set \$50.00 Three \$100 Hudson Seal sets, set \$40.00 One \$250 White Fox Neck Piece \$50.00 One Brown Marmot Muff \$8.00 One Nuva Lynx Muff \$8.00

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Our interest in our customers is personal—We cater to our trade in a way calculated to satisfy—in fact, we guarantee your complete satisfaction in every respect. We try to welcome you in our store, to meet your requirements pleasantly, treat you cordially and to warrant your coming again of your own free will.

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First Attention to All Orders for the Sick. Palace Drug Store Special Attention Given Our Prescription Dept.



tenant Andrew E. B. Tommers, New Haven, Conn.; Second Lieutenant Lloyd J. McDowell, Omaha, Neb.; Second Lieutenant Nelson E. Reynolds, Greeley, Colorado; Second Lieutenant Henry Herbert Schroth, Cincinnati, Ohio; Second Lieutenant Alfred Graham Williams, Fort Smith, Ark.

On account of the bad weather and blizzard last Monday night, only a few went to the hall, and no meeting was held. The first Monday night in January will be the next meeting, at which time the Initiatory Degree will be conferred upon several candidates, and much business of importance transacted.

WEIR HAS HEARING BEFORE JUDGE GWINN. R. C. Weir, who was arrested at Crawford, Texas, Thursday on a complaint charging him with false swearing in connection with securing a marriage license, was given a hearing before Justice of the Peace Judge Gwinn Saturday and was bound over to the district court under \$500 bond. Weir's home is at Burk Burnett and the girl he married also lived at Burk Burnett.

AT THE CHURCHES

First Christian Church. Bible school meets at 9:30. Church services begin at 10:45. Last sermon of the church year. The Pilgrimage of the Old Year. All members are urged to be present. Results of the church election will be made public at this hour. Evening services begin at 7:30 with special sermon and music on this the last Sunday night of the Old Year. All friends and strangers are welcome. The three C. E. societies will hold their last meeting at 6:30. Make this last Sunday a Sunday that shall worthily close the year of 1918.

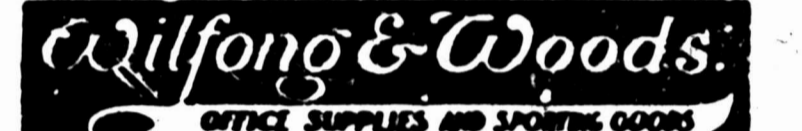
At The Church of Christ. Bible study at 9:45, preaching at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. The public is invited to attend all services.—E. CHRISTIAN, Minister.

Fourth Street Baptist Church. Sunday school 9:45. Preaching morning and evening by Rev. J. Holt of Fort Worth. All members and the public invited to attend.

First Methodist Episcopal Church. Corner Seventh and Lamar. Regular services: 9:45. Sunday school with graded departments, 11 a. m. morning worship with special music and sermon by the pastor, 6:30 p. m. Epworth league, and Junior league, 7:30 evening song and praise service. Mr. Taylor will sing. The pictures did not come. Sermon, "The Lost Christ." The orchestra will assist in the music. Always bring your friends to services they can't afford to miss.

H. F. DRAPER, Pastor. The reason the National Bank of Commerce is known as "The Oil Men's Bank" is because its officers thoroughly understand their requirements and meet them promptly and liberally.

May the New Year bring you happiness and prosperity is our wishes.



704 Ohio Phone 10. Movie Stars playing this week at The GEM Ruth Roland, Nell Shipland, W. S. Hart, Monroe Sausbery, Pearl White. Every Day a Feature Day This Week

TEN STORY BANK BUILDING WILL BE STARTED SOON. WORK IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON STRUCTURE EARLY IN SPRING. AT EIGHTH AND INDIANA. When Building is Completed Will Be Home of the National Bank of Commerce.

Announcement is made by the National Bank of Commerce and M. J. Bashara, joint owners, that the two-story building located at the corner of Eighth and Indiana and occupied by the Morris Drug Store and Collier & Hendricks, will be dismantled at once preparatory to the erection of a ten-story bank and office building on the site, which was purchased some time ago and at which time announcement of the proposed building was made.

The actual work of construction is expected to start early in the spring of 1919, and it is the hope of the owners to have the building ready for occupancy by the latter part of the year. This building will be thoroughly modern throughout, will be constructed of the finest materials, and the latest ideas in architectural design will be incorporated in its construction.

New Home for Bank. The National Bank of Commerce will occupy the entire frontage on Indiana avenue, extending back a mile more than half of the eighth street frontage. The bank will occupy in addition to this space a part of the basement, which is to be constructed under the entire building. This space will give to the bank more than twice the room which they now have, and which is badly needed to care for their rapid and substantial growth.

The erection of this elegant office building will materially aid in meeting the demand incident to the growth and development of Wichita Falls. For some time past office facilities have been entirely inadequate. The owners of the property first considered the erection of a seven or eight story structure, but after looking the situation over carefully, decided that a ten story building would best serve the interests of the city. They, therefore, decided in favor of the latter building.

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Lieut. Porter and Captain Perkins Tell of Fighting

J. C. Mytinger, general manager of the Wichita Mill and Elevator Co., has received a letter from his brother-in-law, Lieutenant Gordon R. Porter, of the 142nd Regiment in the 36th Division, dated Villieur Vineau, France, on December 1, in which the lieutenant says that he is back with his company after being in the hospital. His letter tells some details of the fighting and gives some indications of the hard fighting the 142nd was called on to do. Mr. Mytinger has also received a letter from Captain D. M. Perkins of the 142nd Supply Company. Both are reproduced herewith: From Lieut. Porter. Villieur Vineau, France, December 1, 1918. My Dear Mr. Mytinger: I have today received two letters from you, the very first ones since the one sent to Camp Mills, New York. I really cannot begin to tell you how much I appreciate them. We went into the line without any notice. I went out, therefore, with my S. B. belt on and braids on my sleeves, also my leather leggings, but it didn't take very long to get rid of all them. We went in on the 6th, didn't do anything on the 7th and went over the top on the 8th at 5:15 a. m. I was called back to Battalion P. C. about five o'clock. I was commanding our company then so I went back through the enemy's barrage out there and the same thing coming back. When I did return it was just a little past time to go to bed. However, I had left a second in command. Just as I had gotten back in my P. C. the officer I had left in command was wounded in the arm, so there were only two of us left. We did manage to get over the top with myself in the lead. The first thing we did was to capture three enemy dug-outs with about 20 prisoners in each of them. The enemy's guns I at once turned them around on the enemy until they were all in the air. Then we would go to the next one and do the same thing. I was capturing a German machine gun nest when I was wounded. First, I was hit on the right side of the head; second, on the right shoulder, third, on the left thumb and fourth, on the left hand. I was in the hospital about ten days and went back to a base hospital in Paris. Was in bed thirty-one days, and while there couldn't write much about my wounds. I am back with my company now and will write often. GORDON R. PORTER, First Lieut., 142nd Inf. Capt. Perkins' Letter. On Active Services With the American Expeditionary Force. October 22, 1918. Dear Jim: We are still on the front line and doing our best to old Fritz, who always retreats. However, he is some fighter. Lieutenant Porter is getting along fine. Was at the hospital but did not get to see him. The doctor said he would be out again soon. He captured about 15 Boche and a machine gun and fought most gallantly. He has been recommended for the Croix de Guerre. Well, we are all having it rather rough, but we keep Fritz moving all the time toward Germany. We are many miles forward from where Lieutenant Porter was wounded. Most of our lieutenants are dead, but we have simply given the Germans unmitigated hell. We can't help but think of our dead and wounded comrades when they shout "Kamerad." I can't write much in a shell hole, but I often think of you and the boys in the office. After the war I am going into the well digging business or digging dug-outs. We surely can use a pick and shovel and dig "toute suite," which is a common French expression and means very quick. You should have some of the large German coats on you just once and you would be happy ever after. We occupy are alive with them. A big Bertha is shaking the ground around our trench so will have to quit for this time. Sincerely yours, D. M. PERKINS, Capt., Supply Company, 142nd Inf.

Lodge Directory

- Local 681, International Brotherhood of Electrical Wiremen. Meets Wednesday nights at Labor Temple. The Brotherhood of American Teammen meets every second and fourth Tuesday nights of each month at new Odd Fellows hall, 708 1/2 Seventh.—E. L. Richardson, Cor. Knights of Pythias Lodge. Meets on Wednesday night. Installation of officers. DR. J. W. DUVAL, G. G. H. A. BOYLES, K. R. E. Wichita Falls Lodge No. 635 A. F. & A. M. stated meetings first and third Friday nights in each month. C. M. CROWELL, W. M. C. M. DODGEN, Sec. Work in first degree Monday night at 4:00 p. m. Wichita Falls Chapter No. 202, R. A. M. stated convocations second Friday nights in each month. M. M. COOKE, H. P. C. M. DODGEN, Sec. Wichita Falls Commandry No. 59. Regular convocations fourth Friday night in each month. N. M. CLIFFORD, E. G. J. W. WALKUP, Rec. Wichita Falls Chapter No. 237 meetings first and third Tuesday nights in each month. Mrs. Jessie Carithers, W. M. Mrs. Nannie M. Jenne, Secretary. Wichita Falls Lodge S. P. O. E. ELKS. Meets first and third Monday nights of each month at Elks' Hall. D. W. COLLEY, Sec. KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS. Wichita Falls Council No. 1473. Knights of Columbus, meets every second and fourth Tuesday at 8 o'clock. Harrison-Everton Hall. Visiting Knights welcome.

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We have added to our business a new department for handling all of this class of repair work. We are only partially equipped at the present but after Jan. 1st we will have all of the latest machinery and supplies available. Andrew Young will have complete charge of this department. For the past seven years he has been with Winfrey's Gun Store handling this class of repairing. He claims that he can pick any kind of lock. If you are "from Missouri" call him at WICHITA TYPEWRITER EXCHANGE 707 Eighth St. R. H. HOLLINGER, Mgr. Phone 2222

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IN THE SPHERE OF WOMANKIND

WAVES.

(By Viola Brothers Shore.)
Long, long ago my love came like a
wave
That tore you from your place,
And bore you far out on the sea of
love.

Wrapped in a cruel, tender, sweet
embrace!
Tonight, alas! my love comes like a
wave,
But one that falters, Sweet—
And breaks in white, despairing hope-
lessness.

And your cool, disdainful little
feet!
♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦

WITH THE CLUBS.

This week the Unity and Travel
clubs will resume meetings which
have been suspended during the hol-
idays, the Travel club meeting at the
library Thursday morning and the
Unity on Friday afternoon. The New
Idea club is meeting again on Wed-
nesday at the home of Mrs. M. E.
Carey. The Wesley Girls meet with
Mrs. Ray Hanks, at 406 Burnett, on
Friday afternoon. Mrs. W. M. Pri-
dy will be hostess to the D. A. S. Sat-
urday. The Delphians will not resume
sessions until the eighth.

OFFICERS AND CADETS ENTERTAINED WITH DANCE

Officers and cadets of the field were
entertained with a dance at the soldiers
club Saturday evening, young ladies of
Wichita Falls being hostesses. The
affair was the usual delightful in-
formal entertainment the society folk
of Wichita Falls have enjoyed since
the opening of the camp.

MISS KOONCE ENTERTAINS WITH CHRISTMAS DINNER

Miss Patsy Lou Koonce entertained
a few friends and former class mates
at dinner on Friday. Miss Koonce has
been teaching at Oak Grove, Clay
county, and is at home for the hol-
idays.
After dinner, which was laid in the
popular Christmas style, the party en-
joyed a matinee. The guests were
Misses Aileen and Goldie Alverson and
Lula Weems.

INVITATIONS ARE ISSUED TO ELK'S ANNUAL BALL

Informal invitations have been
issued to Wichita Falls girls for the
Elk's annual ball. The
invitation committee on this occasion
is following the same plan used for
the Thanksgiving dance, inviting the
young ladies who in turn extend in-
vitations to their escorts. The same
informality will mark this occasion as
has been characteristic of former
affairs.

REUNION REVIVING THE I. G. A. B. ORGANIZATION

Reviving the former I. G. A. B. or-
ganization among her girl friends,
Miss Helen Stone entertained at her
home Friday afternoon. The organ-
ization has never formally disbanded,
but rather had suspended its meetings
because of the absence of several
members who have been attending
school out of the city, and the reunion
Friday afternoon was an especially de-
lightful affair. The guests were busy
with fancy work and with conversa-
tion. Miss Stone served a dainty
salad plate to Misses Pauline Rich-
ard, Audrey Addicks, Dorothy Beavers,
Bernice Jackson, Lillian Fain, Flo-
rence Sammons, Helen Hines, Ruby
Moore and Mrs. Clarence Moore.

MEMBERS OF B. Y. P. U. ENTERTAIN THE SOLDIERS

Members of the B. Y. P. U. of the
First Baptist church entertained the
soldiers from Call Field at the church
on Friday evening. The Christmas
decorations are still in evidence, and
the church was gay in the season's
colors.

Several games, among them pro-
gressive conversation, and some mus-
ical numbers were enjoyed, and re-
freshments of coffee and sandwiches
were served. Members and guests en-
joying the evening were Misses Bessie,
Lee Bartlette, Maude Walker, Lucy
Huggins, Julia Long, Kathleen Rainey,
Lois Morgan, Ruth Station, Esther
Hall, Lucia Morgan, Georgia Newark,
Mesdames O. L. Powers and F. C. Bar-
ron, and Messrs. Stener, Read, Buser,
Luss, Ludwig, Edmunds, Gustafson,
Mickel, Guiler, Sterry, Lewis and
Magnuson.

MRS. TRAWEEK ENTERTAINS WESLEY GIRLS FRIDAY

The Wesley Girls were entertained
by the officers of the organization at
the home of Mrs. E. E. Traweck on
Friday afternoon. The home was very
attractive in its Christmas decorations
and shaded lights and drawn window
shades gave a very pleasing "Christ-
mas" atmosphere.

A Christmas grab bag with appro-
priate gifts for every guest was the
feature of the afternoon's entertain-
ment. Mrs. Jim Hanks won a dainty
box of correspondence cards as the
result of a lucky guess in a contest.
There were other contests and several
games that kept the company merry
all afternoon.

The hostesses served a dainty salad
plate and presented each of their
guests with a tiny Santa Claus. The
members in attendance were Mes-
dames Barnes, Grover Bullington, Ray
Hanks, Ben Hanks, Hamilton, Drake,
Stephens, Billingsly, Cyrus, Segert,
Deaton and Miss Humphries. Other
guests were Misses Morehead and
Floyd. The hostesses were Mesdames
Crowell, Traweck, Taylor, and Mc-
Carty.

ENTERTAIN CALL FIELD MEN AT THE HOSTESS HOUSE

Friday night the men who remained
at Call Field during the Christmas

holidays were entertained with a
Christmas party at the Hostess House.
A number of girls from town, with
several chaperones, assisted Mrs. Nor-
rison, the Y. W. C. A. hostess, with the
party. The evening was spent in
playing games appropriate to the sea-
son, and a huge Christmas pie, which
contained toy favors for all, caused
much merriment. The Hostess house
was decorated with holly wreaths,
Christmas bells, and other Yuletide
symbols, making an attractive setting
for the holiday party.
Refreshments of apples and candy
were served at a late hour.

SPLENDID PROGRAM IS ENJOYED BY WOODMEN

W. O. W. Camp No. 2901 celebrated
last Wednesday, Christmas night, at
their hall. A Christmas tree was well
decorated for the children, and each
child received a bag of all kinds of
good things to eat, and it was very
interesting to see the small tots go up
and meet Santa Claus. About one
hundred children received gifts from
Santa Claus, after which about one
hundred adults went forward and re-
ceived an apple or an orange.
At a later hour the floor was cleared
and some excellent music was fur-
nished, many of the members and their
friends passing the time away by dan-
cing, and a general good time is re-
ported.

JUDGE SCURRY IS HOST AT THURSDAY DINNER

Judge Edgar Scurry was host to
a few friends at dinner Thursday eve-
ning, entertaining a number of young
society girls of Wichita Falls who

he has known since childhood. The
dining room in his apartments was
gay in Christmas trimmings and the
guests spent a delightful hour with
their host who was his usual gen-
tial self. The menu included the turkey
and all the accessories of an old-time
Christmas dinner.
After dinner the party attended the
special Red Cross entertainment for
the soldiers and sailors, occupying
"gallery" seats with many other
of the society folk. The guests were
Misses Helen Stone, Elizabeth Fatter-
son, Mary Orth, Louise Montgomery,
Lella Beall Anderson, Audrey Ad-
dicks and Annette Walsh.

SOCIAL BREVITIES.

Miss Ruby Walker of Fort Worth is
the guest of her uncle and aunt, Mr.
and Mrs. W. T. Carlton, for the hol-
idays.
Miss Lucile Tanager is back in Fort
Worth after spending the holidays with
her parents.
Mrs. H. F. Mizell and Misses Willie
Price and Margaret Mizell have re-
turned from visits in Ennis, Wax-
sah and Fort Worth.

Miss Elizabeth Hamilton is at home
after spending her Christmas holidays
in Dallas.
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stratton have re-
turned to Dallas after a visit over
Christmas with Mr. Stratton's par-
ents, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Stratton.

G. N. McCall of Trenton, Tenn., is
the guest of his daughter, Mrs. E. L.
Walsh, for the holidays.
Lieutenant Walter Walsh, recently
commissioned and discharged at Rio
Piedra, is visiting relatives here. Lie-
utenant Walsh's appointments making
Wichita Falls his home.
Lieutenant Arthur Swadlow, from
Tahlequah Field, at Fort Worth, was
a guest at the J. A. Nichol home this
week.

Every member of the Royal Neigh-
bors society is urged to be in attend-
ance at the meeting at 2:30 Thursday
afternoon.
Rev. and Mrs. S. A. Barnes are en-
tertaining as their house guests, Rev.
and Mrs. G. S. Wyatt and Miss Frances

Watt, of Tulsa, Texas; Mr. and Mrs.
Ralph W. Kindel and son, Ralph Jr.,
of Weatherford, Texas; Mr. and Mrs.
J. D. Cole of Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs.
G. S. Wyatt Jr. of Ardmore, Okla-
homa, and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. M. Watt,
Ochiltree, Texas. The guests will re-
main with Rev. and Mrs. Barnes
through New Years.

You will find that a checking ac-
count in the National Bank of Com-
merce is a big convenience and a
time saver. Open an account with
any amount that suits your con-
venience.

WITH WOMEN OF CHURCHES

Announcements.

The Berea Bible class of the St.
Paul's Lutheran church will meet its
second and business session at the
home of Mrs. H. C. Lucke, 300 Bro-
okline at 7:45 Wednesday evening.
The Baptist Girls Auxiliary will
meet at the church at 4:30 Tuesday
afternoon.

church will give a missionary program
on "A Trip to China" at the church
at 7:30 Monday evening. The program
to be given under the leadership of
Mrs. J. J. Lowry. A social is planned
to follow the missionary session. The
entire congregation of the church is
invited to be present.

The Missionary society of the Cen-
tral Presbyterian church will meet
at the church Monday afternoon.
Mrs. J. C. Davis, at 1825 Eleventh,
will be hostess to the Ladies Aid of
the First Christian church in the
monthly social session at three-

o'clock Monday afternoon. Every
member is expected to be present.

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tional Bank of Commerce. Four per
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Whatever your banking requirements
may be, it will be worth your while to
talk them over with the officers of
the National Bank of Commerce.



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The present that gives pleasure, not merely for a few
days, but for long months and years, is the ideal gift for
New Years.



Over one hundred suits, coats and dresses on sale tomorrow and this week

at
\$19.50
and
\$24.75
and worth \$35.00 to \$50

One lot of Shirt Waists and Petticoats, worth
\$7.50 and \$9.75, on sale tomorrow and this
week **\$5.95**

Big Corset Sale Tomorrow and This Week
Corsets worth \$2.00, \$3.00 and \$4.00, your choice
at this lot as long as they last only **\$1.00**

Over three hundred Corsets, worth \$4.50, \$5.00
and \$6.50, on sale tomorrow and this week as
long as they last only **\$1.95**

50 Trimmed Hats at **\$1.00**

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\$24.50 Suits, Half Price	\$12.25
\$27.50 Suits, Half Price	\$13.75
\$29.50 Suits, Half price	\$14.75
\$32.50 Suits, Half Price	\$16.25
\$34.50 Suits, Half Price	\$17.25
\$39.50 Suits, Half Price	\$19.75
\$42.50 Suits, Half Price	\$21.25
\$45.00 Suits, Half Price	\$22.50
\$49.50 Suits, Half Price	\$24.75
\$55.00 Suits, Half Price	\$27.50
\$59.00 Suits, Half Price	\$29.50
\$65.00 Suits, Half Price	\$32.50
\$69.50 Suits, Half Price	\$34.75
\$75.00 Suits, Half Price	\$37.50
\$79.50 Suits, Half Price	\$39.75
\$85.00 Suits, Half Price	\$42.50

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\$27.50 Coats, Sale Price	\$19.50
\$29.50 Coats, Sale Price	\$21.50
\$32.50 Coats, Sale Price	\$23.85
\$34.50 Coats, Sale Price	\$24.85
\$39.50 Coats, Sale Price	\$29.50
\$42.50 Coats, Sale Price	\$32.75
\$45.00 Coats, Sale Price	\$34.00
\$49.50 Coats, Sale Price	\$37.75
\$55.00 Coats, Sale Price	\$45.00
\$59.00 Coats, Sale Price	\$49.50
\$65.00 Coats, Sale Price	\$54.85
\$69.50 Coats, Sale Price	\$59.50
\$75.00 Coats, Sale Price	\$63.85
\$79.50 Coats, Sale Price	\$69.50
\$85.00 Coats, Sale Price	\$74.50
\$90.00 Coats, Sale Price	\$79.50
\$125.00 Coats, Sale Price	\$95.00



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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WORK INVOLVES A VARIETY OF SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE

By A. G. FERGUSON.

The woman at the other end of the wire seemed to be somewhat excited. The person at the end which ran into the office of the Chamber of Commerce tried to make out what the woman wanted. After some effort the question asked was understood.

"Who pays taxes on the dog whose collar is marked 'Jim'?" with the number '4300' she asked.

The particular dog asked about was not named 'Jim' nor was his number 4300. That, however, does not change the point of the story for that dog was the object of considerable concern on the part of the woman. The dog had a male name and he had a number that was not as high as 4300 and he did have a collar and for some reason the woman was interested in his owner.

The woman was very courteously told that she might get the information from the city official who issued the license. She might have been told very seriously that the Chamber of Commerce had never been introduced to the particular 'Jim' and that the job of keeping track of the names and numbers of the pet dogs and their owners in Wichita Falls was not one of the numerous jobs which the Chamber of Commerce did.

Variety of Questions.

There are other questions asked of the Chamber of Commerce which the serious minded persons in that office cannot answer.

For instance, there was that person who came into the city from another town "Somewhere in America" and wanted to know the merchant who married a girl whose name was Beulah.

Unfortunately for the woman who wanted to find her childhood friend named Beulah, the merchant who married Miss Beulah had failed to register the fact in the office of the Chamber of Commerce that the charming woman he married sometime in the dim past had been known as Beulah among her friends.

"When is Lincoln's birthday?" was one question asked over the phone a few days ago.

B. F. Johnson, the secretary of the Wichita Falls Chamber of Commerce, has an explanation to offer for the freak questions which are asked of the commercial body.

"That big sign outside our office is the cause," he explained. "The sign in big letters calls attention to this as the 'Tourists Information Bureau.' Some persons fail to note the word 'Tourists' and think of the Chamber of Commerce as only a general information bureau."

That the sign attracts the attention of the tourists is evidenced by the number of requests made daily for information about roads by the automobilists traveling along the national and state highways running through Wichita Falls. Such tourists always get the information they seek. In many cases they get more. Invariably they are given a copy of the log showing in detail the course of the road on which they desire to travel.

"Where can I get a service car to take me out to some oil land I have leased?" asked a man the other day. "I want to find out if I got what I paid for."

The information was given and the man left to learn what the experienced

men ascertain before making purchases.

Inquiries Recently Answered.

Inquiries for storeroom and residential space are as numerous as the requests for information on the part of soldiers and civilians as to how they can break into the oil game and make large sums of money. The inquiries relative to store room space are easily answered. There is not a vacant store in the city. Those seeking information about rooms are referred to the list showing the rooms for rent. The Chamber of Commerce office has been the means of helping many persons to find rooms. Other wise might have been of great value to the persons desiring rooms.

One evening last week two men came and asked the question which many ask about rooms. They were referred to the list. One of the rooms listed appealed to the seeker. He called the householder by phone and then turned to the attendant in the office and said:

"They tell me that this room was rented two weeks ago. How about it?"

Neglect to Report.

It was explained that the Chamber of Commerce requests of householders when listing rooms to be sure to notify the office when the rooms have been rented but that unfortunately they sometimes fail to comply with the request.

"Do you charge anything for your services in listing rooms for rent?" asked one woman.

"No, indeed," she was told. "The more people we can help find accommodations the better will be their impression of Wichita Falls."

Now that the restrictions of the government have been removed so that building operations may be resumed, it is the opinion of well informed business men on the Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce that within several months enough residences can be built to relieve the congestion in the city. To enable the builders to better carry out their plans, the Chamber of Commerce is encouraging skilled carpenters and mechanics to come to the city.

Idea is Suggested.

The need for residences and other buildings in Wichita Falls so interested a man in a city about one hundred miles distant that he conceived the novel idea of moving four buildings from that drought-stricken city to Wichita Falls. His first letter written to one of the city's business concerns was referred to the Chamber of Commerce. The man with the idea was asked how he expected to move the buildings across country. His reply was to the effect that he would not move the houses intact; as his first letter seemed to indicate he intended to dismantle the residences and rebuild them in Wichita Falls. He provided he could find some backers. The correspondence was referred to one of the city's building concerns.

The Chamber of Commerce never advertised itself as an employment agency, nevertheless not a day passes but that some one and often several soldiers will inquire about getting employment. Sometimes they are directed to a business concern in need

of such services as they can render but usually they are referred to the Wichita Falls branch of the United States employment service whose office is in the same building.

Discharge of Soldiers.

Numerous inquiries have been made concerning the policy of the war department with reference to the discharge of soldiers from the service who are expert oil drillers. In response to a telegraphic query sent to Secretary of War Baker as to the advisability of releasing the oil well drillers, the Chamber of Commerce was advised by wire that the men could obtain their releases by application to their respective commanding officers. The item was published in newspapers throughout the country and was read not only by soldiers but by civilian oil workers. One mine wrote from Little Creek, Michigan. Others wrote from Oklahoma, Louisiana, and other oil producing states. About a dozen inquiries came from the camps surrounding San Antonio and a number of oil field cadets also inquired. In the case of soldiers they were advised to get in touch with the nearest branch of the Federal Employment service to which has been delegated the work of finding employment for discharged army men. As a result of the telegrams and the publicity given it throughout the country by the Associated Press the number of oil workers in the fields surrounding Wichita Falls will be largely increased. Oil men however, say that the number is not near enough and as a consequence the development of the field is very much hampered.

Analyze City's Needs.

It is an interesting thing to watch the men of affairs of the city at work at the board meetings of the Chamber of Commerce. To them it is serious business and they devote their best thought to it. The needs of the city are analyzed. Then the machinery of the organization is put in motion to provide for those needs. If a delegation is needed to go to Washington or Austin to get some federal or state aid to carry the plans to a successful conclusion the men appointed to go leave their own business affairs behind to attend to the community needs. There seems to be a general understanding that the community business, the doing of which is on a non-pay basis, has more claim upon them than their private profitable business. Such an attitude on the part of men of that type always results in developing a better and bigger city.

Big Projects Under Way.

There are a number of big projects being promoted by the Chamber of Commerce. The hotel project has to do of course with the physical welfare of the visitors to the city, and is being pushed with all the vigor and speed possible. The movement to erect more residences has to do with the comfort of those who have elected to make Wichita Falls their place of residence, and the Chamber is doing its utmost to encourage and help builders.

The building of a north and south railroad to connect the various oil fields with Wichita Falls and the increase of transportation facilities on the railroads running into and out of the city are questions which is taking some of the best thought of the leaders of the commercial body. Oil men

UNION SHINING PARLOR & HAT WORKS
 We clean and block all Hats—we make old look like new
LADIES—All kinds of fancy shoes our specialty. We're expert shoe dyers
SUITS CLEANED, PRESSED, STARCH REPAIRED
CALLED FOR AND DELIVERED
 Phone 580 618 8th St.

Do you suffer with headaches? If so, have you ever had your eyes examined by a competent Optometrist?

It is a certain fact that most headaches are caused from eye strain or the cramped conditions of the "Rectus Muscles," the muscles that control the movements of the eyes) also many cases of indigestion, constipation and nervousness are caused by the same troubles.

We are prepared to put your muscles in perfect conditions and give you the correct glasses for any error of refraction, and guarantee satisfaction. Our optical room is equipped with the latest machinery of the most sanitary manufactured. We give more vision with Toric lenses.

M. L. CLOPTON IN CHARGE

Art Jewelry Co's Optical Parlor
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Don't Neglect RHEUMATISM

A swollen knee, finger joint or sore muscle often leads to permanent and crippling deformities unless promptly and properly treated. Avoid needless suffering and loss of wages. If you have signs of these symptoms take Prescription A-251, a Paralytic Powerfull and Safe Formula widely used since 1905. At all drug stores. **ETWELL & ANNEVELL, Third Ave., 12th to 15th Sts., New York City.**

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A parent troubled over a child or a fast-growing youth, could do no better than to utilize the definite help that

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affords as a strengthening and nourishing factor. A very little of Scott's every day, during a time of stress, furnishes elements of nourishment essential to the blood and tends to furnish a growing child in robustness. For your boy or girl, you will not be satisfied with anything short of Scott's.

Scott & Bowne, Bloomfield, N. J.

MEMORIAL

EVERY DIGNIFIED MEMORIAL you place on your lot is a lesson in patriotism, love and remembrance. It is your sacred duty to see that no cheap or common stone is raised to the memory of the honored dead. We have set the standard of excellence. Examine our work.

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SCULPTURE

Every Day Is Starting Day

at the N. B. C. but the time to begin is **NOW!**

Our Annual Winter Opening Week will be Dec. 30-31 and Jan. 2-3

This year 1919 will demand more than ever before people who are trained to do one thing well. It is going to be the year for special trained young people.

Let "1919" be the "CORNER STONE" of your foundation for the future. WILL IT BE \$8 A WEEK OR \$100? Decide NOW.

National Business College

Wichita Falls Texas

THE VALUE OF THE MAN is his PLEDGE to UNCLE SAM



Official Instructions from Secretary McAdoo

"Make every possible effort to the end that pledges for the purchase of WAR SAVINGS STAMPS be fulfilled."

"The Government's monetary requirements were never greater or more pressing than they are today. Expenditures in November were greater than in any similar period."

"Make every effort to bring this statement before the people in your district."

"Urge upon them the continued holding of their WAR SAVINGS CERTIFICATES and additional purchases as their means permit."

(Signed) **W. G. McADOO**

Don't wait for the Government's collector to call. Pay your Pledge before December 31st.

This advertisement patriotically contributed to the Government by **Panhandle Refining Co.**

The Business Men of Wichita Falls Through the Chamber of Commerce Seek the Closest Co-operation with the Oil Men

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 success 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 personally present to the State Legislature and to the National Congress facts and figures 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 such case before undertaking to represent such interests.

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.

CO-OPERATION: The influence of the Chamber of Commerce will at all times be available for the purpose of securing better facilities from the railways, postal service, telephone 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 their operations, such inquiries may be answered to the satisfaction of all concerned, and much to the benefit of legitimate companies.

SPECIAL OIL MEMBERSHIP for twelve months at the very nominal cost of \$120.00, payable in advance, monthly, quarterly or annually, is extremely low when the service enumerated above is considered. **JOIN NOW.**

The CHAMBER of COMMERCE

OFFICE in CITY HALL

R. E. HUFF, *President*
B. F. JOHNSON, *Secretary*

AMUSEMENT

AT THE EMPRESS.
Monday and Tuesday: Dorothy Gish and George Fawcett in "The Hope Chest."
Wednesday: Peggy Hyland in "Marriages Are Made."
Thursday: Kitty Gordon in "The Heart of the Wilds."
Friday and Saturday: Elsie Ferguson in "Heart of the Wilds."
AT THE GEM.
Monday: Ruth Roland in "Hands Up" and good comedy.
Tuesday: Jack Richardson in "Desert Law" and comedy.
Wednesday: Monroe Salisbury in "The Eagle" and Current Events.
Thursday: William S. Hart in special feature.
Friday: Pearl White in "The House of Hate" and story from O'Henry.
Saturday: L-Ko Comedy Special. Bison Western Feature and Universal Weekly.

DOROTHY GISH STARS IN "THE HOPE CHEST"
Dorothy Gish and Richard Barthelmess are playing in "The Hope Chest" at the Empress on Monday and Tuesday. The picture tells the story of Sheila Moore, the daughter of a vaudeville actor, who, after falling on the stage, becomes a chocolate girl in a confectionery. She marries the son of the proprietor, not realizing what a boy he is. There commences a series of troubles for the little bride which end when she tells them what she thinks of them and leaves the house. Then the boy realizes what he has lost and makes a man of himself to be worthy of the girl he married, and she comes into her own right royally.

COMBOYS ENTERTAINED DURING FILMING OF "HEART OF THE WILDS"
Elsie Ferguson, star of "Heart of the Wilds," her latest Artcraft vehicle which will be shown for the first time in this city at the Empress theater next Friday and Saturday, was hostess to two hundred of more cowboys at a barbecue given in their honor by Director Marshall Neilan, during the filming of that photoplay at Cody, Wyo., and vicinity recently. The appearance of the famous star caused a sensation among the residents, and she was accorded a big popular ovation. Mr. Neilan gave a barbecue at which Miss Ferguson was hostess. Speeches were called for and Miss Ferguson made an address in which she exhorted her hearers to stand firm for world democracy. At the party, fired a salute by way of appreciation of her patriotic sentiments.

Week at The Majestic.
The entertainment program at the Majestic this week includes film features only. Monday: Emily Wehlan in "Sylvia on a Spree."
Tuesday: Warren Kerrigan in "Burglar for a Night."
Wednesday: Alice Brady in "The Potter's Field."
Thursday: Tom Moore in "Thirty a Week."
Friday and Saturday: Fatty Arbuckle in his latest two reel Paramount comedy, "Camping Out," also Elnid Bennett in "Puss and Feathers."

EMMY WEHLAN STARS IN ENGAGING COMEDY
"Sylvia on a Spree," the latest Metro picture starring the charming Emily Wehlan and showing at the Majestic Monday, tells the story of Sylvia Fairbanks, a young woman who has been reared in the very best of homes, who has had everything that money could possibly bring her—except one thing, honest good-naturedness. She has never been in a Broadway cafe or a roadhouse, or looked upon the wine when it was red or smoked a cigarette. All these things she longs to do for just once.

So Sylvia asks the man of her heart, Jack Bradley, to take her on a spree—in fact she threatens not to marry him unless he grants her greatest desire. And Jack decides to cure her once and for all. As a consequence he proceeds to arrange a real time-for-the young lady. He enlists the services of nice, quiet chorus girls and asks them to act naughtily just for the night—he gets an old actor who hasn't eaten a square meal in many a day to play the role of a man-about-town and then he manages to secure a number of men to dress as policemen and raid the place when the revelry is at its height.

You can imagine the consequences—how Sylvia feels about it all. But just imagine how Jack feels when the real policemen decide to raid the place. Then there is the very dickens to pay! The ending of this engaging comedy we will leave for the screen to tell. Miss Wehlan in the part of Sylvia gives a most attractive performance and is ably supported by W. L. Percival, Frank Currier, Eugene Acker and many others.

FAMOUS "HEAVY" STAR SEEN IN "DESERT LAW"
Jack Richardson is the star "heavy" in "Desert Law" showing at the Gem Thursday.
Jack has been killed over three hundred times on the screen for his villainies and he deserved his destiny's fate on each of the three hundred and odd occasions. Al Whitman, featured player in the sensational production, "Hercules," where he played the supported Nell Shipman, plays the hero lead.
The story is a thrilling western done from a new angle. An unscrupulous political boss of the West rules the community with a gang of desperadoes and sends an innocent man to prison on a faked-up murder charge. The governor interferences but that interesting part is best left to be seen.

SEVERAL FORMER CADETS TO RETURN TO WICHITA FALLS

Several cadets who received their training in the cadet camps at Call Field are expected to return to Wichita Falls and go into the oil business in various capacities as soon as they are discharged from the service, according to a number of the ex-cadets who have been spending the holidays here.
Lieut. Eddie Layne came in yesterday from Edinburg field and Lieut. Lehrbas and Lieut. Ivan H. Brooks from Love Field, Dallas, to look into positions they have been offered here. Lieut. Vic Langman and William Connelly have been spending several days here.
Lieut. Lehrbas, who is editor of the Love Field Loops, and was one of the promoters of the "Flyin' Frolic" at Love Field, says that a number of ex-Call Fielders now at Love Field will come back to Wichita Falls after the first of the year, and reports from other fields say there is to be an excess of aviators back to this city within the next two weeks.

CASUALTIES

SECTION ONE.

The following casualties are reported by the Commanding General of the American Expeditionary Forces: Killed in action, 57; died of wounds, 23; died of accident and other causes, 17; died of airplane accident, 2; died of disease, 72; wounded severely, 220; wounded slightly, 19; missing in action, 20. Total, 451.

SOUTHERNERS.

Died of Wounds.
Sgt. Geo. W. Spahn, Deatur, Texas.
Capt. H. V. Montgomery, Memphis, Texas.
Corpl. Carl F. Blue, Ridge, Texas.
Pl. Austin J. Sawyer, Evans, Texas.
Pl. David Mohr, Bartlesville, Okla.
Died of Disease.
Maj. Wm. R. Blackshear, Jasper, Texas.
Lieut. B. Compton, Arlington, Texas.
Pl. G. Strach, San Antonio, Texas.
Pl. A. E. Johnson, Deatur, Texas.
George L. Porter, Byers, Texas.
Wounded Severely.
Corpl. Wm. H. Hunsley, Byers, Texas.
Corpl. Roland Smith, Orange, Texas.
Corpl. Claude A. Wells, Weatherford, Okla.
Privates—
George V. Venetta, Damon, Texas.
George N. Kennedy, Ames, Okla.
Chas. H. Lank, El Paso, Texas.
John H. Bowers, Ridge, Texas.
Pat A. Linnahan, Marshall, Texas.
Missing in Action.
Pl. Willis L. Humber, Bartlesville, Texas.
Pl. Terry J. Reely, Fats, Texas.

SECTION TWO.


The following casualties are reported by the Commanding General of the American Expeditionary Forces: Killed in action, 23; died of wounds, 56; died of accident and other causes, 11; died of airplane accident, 1; wounded severely, 116; wounded slightly, 27; missing in action, 10. Total, 324.

SOUTHERNERS.

Killed in Action.
Pl. Lloyd W. Meadows, Oklahoma, Okla.
Died of Accident and Other Causes.
Pl. Perry A. Allison, Norman, Texas.
Pl. Bonnie W. Vanover, Texas.
Wounded Severely.
Privates—
Fred R. Goodenower, Bartlesville, Okla.
James W. Yerr, Teague, Texas.
Frank A. Rauhauer, Mead, Okla.
Frank B. Anderson, Durant, Okla.
George J. Hebe, Butler, Okla.
Harvey Hull, Matoy, Okla.

SECTION THREE.
The following casualties are reported by the Commanding General of the American Expeditionary Forces: Wounded slightly, 76. Total, 76.
SOUTHERNERS.
Wounded Slightly.
Lieut. Bartlett E. Swan, Lawton, Texas.
Lieut. Charles L. Terry, Hillsboro, Texas.
Sgt. Carl Tawater, Roseland, Texas.
Privates—
Grover Rhoads, Lindsey, Okla.
Clarence E. Tribble, Navajo, Okla.
Wm. H. Johnson, Goodnight, Texas.
Claude P. Baird, Texas.
Homer T. Sealey, Hillsboro, Texas.
Cliff A. Smith, Ballinger, Texas.
Samson B. Harjo, Seminole, Okla.
Wm. P. Colner, Oklahoma City, Okla.
Henry H. Oster, Martin, Texas.
Frank J. Dupuis, Victoria, Texas.
John V. McKinney, Van Alstyne, Texas.
Cook Frank Johnson, Comanche, Okla.
Privates—
Horace Mooney, Hawkins, Texas.
Max C. Keller, Winters, Texas.
Ole M. Olson, Bartlett, Texas.
John N. Pledger, Norman, Okla.
Henry H. Hoffman, Chickasha, Okla.
Lee P. Washburn, Mingus, Texas.
Wm. Hugo Jr., Giddings, Texas.
Wm. P. Colner, Oklahoma City, Okla.
Arthur M. Hatch, Denison, Texas.
James Thomas Davis, Vinita, Okla.
Raymond C. Foster, Smithville, Texas.
Wm. C. Hardy, Rainbow, Texas.

ADVERTISING AGENCY IS ESTABLISHED IN CITY
A. G. Fegert, publicity director of the Chamber of Commerce, has organized what he will call the Wichita Falls Advertising Agency with an office in the National Bank of Commerce building. While his connection with the Chamber of Commerce will not be that of a member of the staff he will continue to handle some of the general publicity of the commercial body.
Mr. Fegert was in the Army Y. M. C. A. work for fifteen months and immediately prior to his coming to Wichita Falls was associated in the publicity work connected with the United War Work Campaign in the Southern Department.
The National Bank of Commerce grows because its methods are thoroughly progressive, its policy is to place the best interests of customers ahead of every other consideration and its equipment is modern in every detail. 196-11c



MAJESTIC
MONDAY

Emily Wehlan
—IN—
Sylvia on a Spree

The story of a girl blessed with everything but freedom—and the humor in which she found it.

—ALSO—
"BEWARE OF BOARDERS"
Two reel MACK BENNETT-PARAMOUNT comedy

TUESDAY

WARREN KERRIGAN
—IN—
"A BURGLAR FOR A NIGHT"


A burglar who steals that which does not belong to him is a thief—but the burglar who steals that which is rightfully his is different—the burglar who steals the heart of a girl is still different.

15c 10c 5c
No Vaudeville this week

Made in Texas' Largest Flour Mill

Daily capacity, 3,500 barrels. Wheat storage, 1,000,000 bu. Twenty-one country elevators.

We may not expect to make all the flour, but we can make better flour.
That is our aim and daily effort.
Our mill is second to none in the country. Its equipment is the newest. The finest wheat ever grown in Texas, Kansas and Oklahoma, has been secured. We are producing what has been called by many "a perfect flour."
This is the product offered to you—for your home pantry.
Ask your grocer about BELLE OF WICHITA—he knows.
And as BELLE OF WICHITA is to the home, so is BAKER'S PRIDE flour to the baker. It produces big, healthy loaves, of a color and texture far above the ordinary. Wire or write for quotations.



Wichita Mill & Elevator Co.
Wichita Falls, Texas



NEW SHOES
for the
NEW YEAR!

We have just received a large shipment of Ladies' and Children's Dress Shoes. These are by far the smartest shoes ever shown in Wichita Falls.

Two new patterns in Ladies Boots. A beautiful Laird-Scholar creation in beaver brown. You will have to see it on your foot to really appreciate it. Also similar model in mahogany brown.

\$16.50 and \$14.00 respectively.

Children's Dress Shoes in brown, patent and dull kids, \$2.50 to **\$5.00**



Hanan Shoes for Men.

SAFETY FOR YOUR MONEY

The strength and stability of this bank and the safety afforded to depositors are well evidenced by the fact that its Capital, Surplus and Stockholders' Liability amount to \$450,000.00, with total Resources in excess of \$1,700,000.00.

Every detail of the bank's business, moreover, is conducted in accordance with the established and approved principles of safe banking, and no consideration is ever permitted to come ahead of unquestioned security for deposits.

Small and large accounts invited.

National Bank of Commerce
Wichita Falls, Texas

Did You Forget Someone Christmas ?

In the big Xmas rush perhaps you forgot to remember some dear friend.

New Years is also a gift giving day. It is not too late to remember those friends.

Here are some of the useful New Year gifts we are offering:

- Big nappy bath towels, each 98c
- Fancy Turkish guest towels, each 30c
- Wash cloths, ea. 5c
- Ladies' silk hose, pair 69c
- Ladies' union suits, each \$1.00
- Baby blankets, heavy, each . . . \$1.00
- Children's Knox knit hose, pr 40c
- Fancy Japanese baskets, ea. . . \$1.00
- Men's silk hose, 3 prs. \$1.00
- Children's and Misses' Toques, each 49c
- Fancy cretonne yard 35c
- Jap Silk Hdkfs. each 15c
- Special carving sets, set \$1.00
- Fancy Toilet Soap box 25c
- Oil mop and polish, set \$1.00
- Men's silk neckwear each 35c

These are only a few of hundreds of useful gifts we have in stock.

Come down and let us show you these exceptional values.

UNITED

1c to \$1.00
STORE

713 Ind. Ave.
NOTHING OVER ONE DOLLAR

EMPRESS

Monday and Tuesday
Dorothy Gish and George Fawcett



DOROTHY GISH in "The Hope Chest"
—IN—
"THE HOPE CHEST"

"The Little Mistrarber" in "Hearts of the World" is Heroine in "The Hope Chest."
Dorothy Gish takes the part in his picture of a poor little girl who marries the son of a millionaire and makes a man of him. The play is a brilliant comedy-drama featuring the screen's greatest comedienne.

Adults 15c, Children 12 and over, 10c; Under 12, 5c

Belgium Under the German Heel



King ALBERT

Belgian School Children with their Banner of thanks to U.S.



A Belgian Family

(By BRAND WHITLOCK)

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The year was dying; the leafless trees widened the horizon of the sky that hung low and gray and cold over the Low Countries, where the winter days are short and dark and where the cold rain falls almost incessantly. We looked on the sad countenance of that scene with the consciousness that it was for the last time; we felt that we should not see the spring come to shut us once more within the green of those lofty trees of the noble park and the grass of those lovely slopes. The guns thumped on unrelentingly; often in the watches of the night I would listen to their regular throb—like the slow beating of the sad heart of a world that had grown very old and cynical and mean in an age without illusions or ideals.

There were no more stilles in the once all-radiant city, and in the midst of the almost universal depression, there in the Forest the Germans were cutting our firs for Christmas trees, and—grotesque touch by which the sardonic spirit must have even tragically—a group of them in the Bois playing at hide-and-seek behind the noble beeches.

The slaving was going on everywhere, though it had not come to Brussels yet. The capital, some said, was being reserved until the last while others thought that it was to be spared entirely, though one versed by experience in the implacable persistence of German intention knew that the visit was only postponed. In fact, an official whispered to me one day, it was fixed for a date in January. The terror was perhaps no less and the rage had not abated, but it had grown less acute and there was that pathetic quality of fatalistic acquiescence in it.

Events that once had inspired indignation passed now almost unnoticed, as when there was a new announcement about the war levy and the provincial councils, the provinces of Arabant, Luxembourg, Liege and Namur refused to comply with the German order to levy the new contribution and the contribution was forced by a decree of the Governor-General.

The slave drive at Brussels finally began on the 20th of January. For several days before that date German soldiers went quietly about the city leaving at certain houses yellow cards, ordering the men whose names they bore to appear at the Gare du Midi, and in some instances at the Grand Place. The cards bore an offer of work and threatened the recipient with a fine if he did not appear. He was to come with boots, blankets and extra clothing.

The men thus summoned were in the case, or in nearly every case, unemployed. How the Germans had secured possession of the lists was a mystery; they had not been surrendered by any of those having them in hand, and the Germans must have made up the lists themselves, slowly, patiently, from the reports at the Registration Bureau.

There had been no public order; the notices were served on each individual. The effect was not that instantaneous sensation that the posting of a notice produced in a village, but the news percolated gradually and created its silent horror. The weather, in the monotonous iron of things, was fitting; cold—such weather as Belgium had perhaps never known. On the 15th of January there was what we in America would call a blizzard, and on that day there was a notice, not invoking the "chomeurs," but explaining the proceeding, and, with that hypocrisy which almost invariably intensified the evil quality of any of the German deeds, seeking to justify it as benevolent in its intentions and of benefit to the Belgian nation.

That night, the eve of the deportations, the fear that brooded over the city was almost palpable to the senses. Even women had received the fatal yellow cards. The 20th came, and almost before daylight—early in that cold, glacial dawn—the men began to appear at the Gare du Midi. They came in groups of ten or twenty, carrying their bundles, ready, with their bundles pathetically ready, others without even raincoats, shivering in the searching wind.

There were women in masses, and children, come for the last good-bye. But they could not approach the station. The arrangements were diabolically perfect; all the streets were barred and there was a squadron of Uhlans, grim and brutal as only Uhlans know how to be, to keep people back, so that only those furnished with the yellow cards had the sinister distinction of admission to the lines.

The men were taken inside the station. Those who came to bid them professionally and grievous farwells and to wait in the anguish of a parental hope, and those who came merely to observe the pitiful tragedy, stood behind those ropes, behind the lances of the Uhlans. The hours slow-

ly passed; the vicious process went on within the brick walls of the station.

Now and then a man would bolt from the gaunt structure, dancing for very joy. Some physical defect, some latent disease, long perhaps the subject of sad and morbid preoccupation, dreaded in itself as a portion of doom, a sentence of death, now proved to be a reprieve instead, a means of liberation, so that its victim could fling himself into the arms of some waiting woman and mingle his tears of joy with her tears of gladness, and so away, as though treading on air, some miracle having restored life and hope. But other women waited all day, until their tears dried in the dumb anguish of that cruel and monstrous separation.

Food to the Deported.

That evening I received a delegation for the delegates of the C. R. B. to be present, and they distributed and the men who were herded into the waiting cattle-cars and hurried away into that awful and, as it proved for so many of them, that hopeless exile.

That evening I received a delegation from the burgomaster of ten communes in La Louviere, near Charleroi, asking that permission be obtained to send to the deported men in Germany boxes of food such as were sent to the prisoners of war. The German authorities had refused to permit this save in certain instances; and some Belgians, returning from their captivity, reported that even when such packages were received they only gave the authorities of the slave compounds an additional and effective means of coercing the deported Belgians to sign the labor contracts.

The seizures continued for days in that arctic weather, and yet life went on; we talked, ate, slept, smoked, strange cruel insensibility of human nature! The weather grew more and more bitter, and at last even the Germans were moved; they announced on Thursday that the deportations would be suspended. It was said, though I never had any means of verifying the figures, that at Brussels only about 1,500 were summoned; that at those 250 appeared, and that 300 were deported, so that the capital did not suffer in comparison with other places.

But there was no diminution in the tales of horror I have told of the levy at Marche and at Wavre. Near by, at Namur, the men who had been seized were herded into cattle-cars and left there, without food or water, in the bitter cold, for a day and a night. Mr. Phil Potter, coming up from the north of France, told me that he with his own eyes had seen sixty "chomeurs" who had refused to work, tied to high stakes like the victims of red Indians, their hands fastened behind them with wires, and they were left there for hours.

At our regular meetings to consider the question of relief work, we discussed little else than the deportations, and we discussed them sadly, hopelessly; every day, despite the assurance, despite the cards of exemption that had been issued, we had reports that men connected with the C. R. B. had been seized—two hundred and fifty of them in the province of Luxembourg alone. Protestants were becoming almost ludicrous.

Most intolerant of all, we were hearing constantly of the cruelties done to the deported "chomeurs." The one bit of good news was in the word I had had from Mr. Hoover in London to the reassuring effect that the British government would not put an end to the relief work because of deportations.

"We have weathered that storm," he wrote, and the time seemed to be auspicious to attempt to do something practical to produce some amelioration, and to have sent back to Belgium those who were not "chomeurs."

The President had sent to Berlin a protest against the impressing of workmen in Belgium, expressing the deep interest the American Government took in the Belgian civil population, and, by some unusual liberality, this protest was allowed to appear in the newspapers at Brussels, with the response of the General Government.

With this as a basis, and considering the conversation I had had with the Baron von der Lancken in which he had said that any "injustices" would be corrected, we thought to organize a bureau where requests for repatriation might be filed by the families of those deported, and where, if there seemed to be some reason that might appeal to the authorities, these might be forwarded to the Governor-General in the hope that some of them at least might be rescued from the slave compounds in Germany and brought back home.

effort, and I might as well avow at once that I failed.

There seemed to be other considerations of more importance than the rest of human slaves in the twentieth century—of more importance than any rigorous long being to be considered, considerations which it might be ungenerous to mention here.

I had to give it up and we organized a bureau of our own. The requests were so numerous that I had to rent a house across the street from the Legation and install there a corps of clerks. And so there was a Spanish bureau and a Dutch bureau and other bureaus under other neutral flags. There were no means of publicity in Belgium, as I trust I have shown, but the news spread and the requests came pouring in, and we did what we could, though the effort proved very ineffective.

What the "Chomeurs" Suffered.

Later in the midst of our own perplexities, when all diplomatic relations between the Germans and us were broken off, we were able to do no more for the deported chomeurs. The unoccupied residence of the Countess Liederkerk across the street in the Rue Belliard which we had leased and wherein were installed the corps of clerks who prepared the documents in the cases of the deported, was closed, and we could do no more.

The subject, however, was ever present with the sufferings, the misery, the despair it connoted, and now the reality of it was brought more directly to all of us by the few returning Belgians who had been repatriated by the Germans. They were pitiable objects of German brutality; they were those for the most part, who had refused to work, or whose physical condition made them useless as workers, and they were brought back in a really deplorable state, broken, helpless, hopeless, pale, emaciated men whom a few weeks in the slave compounds in Germany had so reduced to skeletons that they were hauled back home and flung down in their villages to die.

Some of the returned chomeurs who were brought to Brussels and taken to hospitals had their feet frozen from exposure or were in such a state of gangrene from maltreatment that it was necessary to amputate their legs. Those at Antwerp were returned at night to avoid notice for their physical condition was so pitiable that it was necessary to amputate their legs. Those at Antwerp were returned at night to avoid notice for their physical condition was so pitiable that it was necessary to amputate their legs.

The deported men when they got to Germany would not work; they resorted to sabotage, they carried out "direct action," deliberately ruined machinery; they sang patriotic songs as they had sung them when they went away; they demonstrated at the shop and factory by shouting the "Lion of Flanders" at the top of their voices. And we began to hear the story of this triumph which, when it did not cost them their lives, left them broken, ruined men.

About seventy were returned from the camp of concentration at Soltau, released because they were ill. They were transported in a cattle-car which was attached to a freight-train, and in this condition they spent three days and three nights before they arrived at their destination, although express trains cover the distance in from six to eight hours.

At Soltau they had received as food at six o'clock in the morning a concoction made of acorns, with nothing else; at midnight, half a liter of soup, principally of water, but with a few turnips, carrots and other articles of food; at three o'clock, two hundred and fifty grams of black bread, often moldy; and between seven and eight o'clock, again a half a liter of soup like that given at midday, but occasionally with a little bran or grits. With this abominable diet the strongest became pale, and it was not long before those with feeble constitutions became ill and died. During the first week five workmen died and two went insane. One, tired of so much misery, tried to escape and was shot down. The sufferings of these unfortunates were such that at night they would steal from the kitchens the potato skins and waste from the turnips and carrots intended for the German personnel, and devour them.

Besides the agony such hunger every possible means was employed to compel them to sign contracts to work. One day forty workmen were taken away; they were all refused, they were there were confined for thirty-five hours, without release, and without food.

Another day the deported men saw an individual in the uniform of a sergeant of the Eighth Belgian regiment live with in excellent Flemish and French, telling them that they were foolish to endure so much suffering when the bourgeoisie in Belgium continued to live well; that the Belgian Government did not care what became of them and would not intervene to help

them; that the neutral nations would do even less, and that this was only natural because the neutral governments knew very well, as did the Allies, that the Belgian workmen in accepting peaceful employment in Germany were not committing an act which would be considered as contrary to their patriotic sentiments.

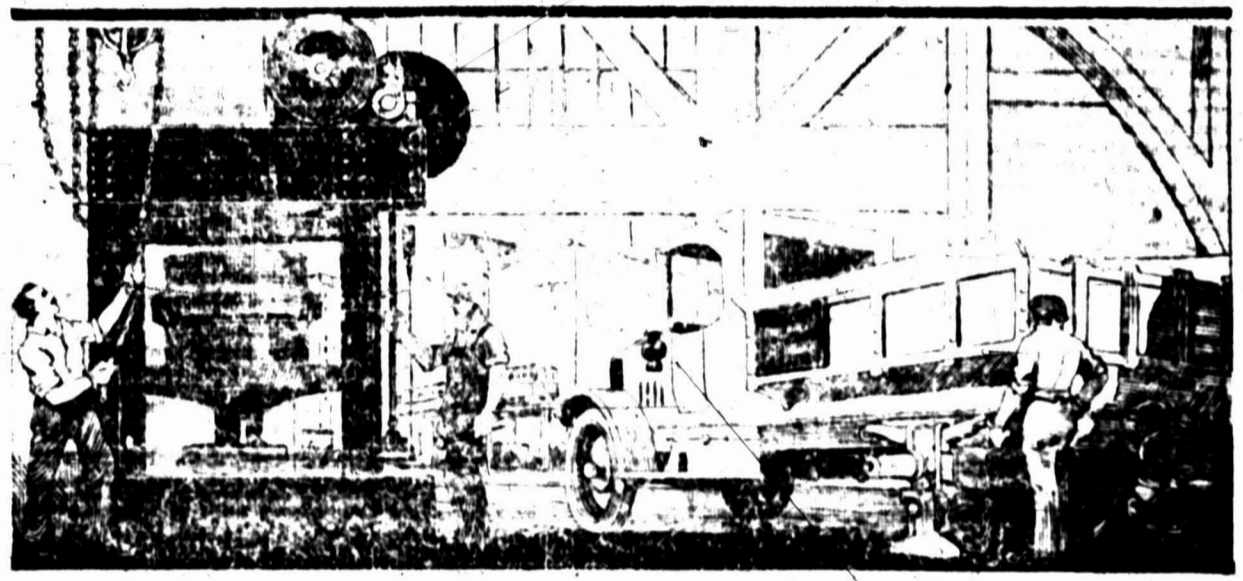
None of the workmen, however, was seduced by this talk, and two days later they learned that the orator was a German, disguised as a Belgian soldier.

The camp of the deported Belgian civilians was near that of the imprisoned Belgian soldiers, whose diet was a little better. The soldiers, took pity on the sufferings of their countrymen. When a Belgian civilian was allowed to follow the coffin, although they themselves did not receive sufficient nourishment, they profited by the occasion to carry under their clothing boxes of conserve and bread which they gave to the deported. At the camp at Soltau alone there were eleven thousand deported who refused to work for the Germans.

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Both Sides to Controversy Will Present Briefs in Case on Next Friday.

By Associated Press.
NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—In authorizing President Wilson to take over the national cable lines, congress intended such seizure to be made "only in case of impending danger to the national security," and not "at any time during the existence of a mere technical state of war," declared Charles E. Hughes, counsel of the Commercial Cable and Commercial Pacific Cable Companies, in federal court here.

Mr. Hughes made this contention while arguing before Judge Hand on the motion of the United States government to dismiss the bill of complaint in a suit brought by the two companies to enjoin Postmaster General Burleson and Newcomb Carlton from merging their lines under federal control with those of the Western Union Telegraph Company, of which Carlton is the head.

Decision is reserved.

Judge Hand reserved decision. Both sides are to present briefs by next Friday.

At one point in reply to a question of Judge Hand as to whether "the security of defense of the nation does not depend on achievement of the objectives for which the war was fought," and not on the mere termination of fighting, Mr. Hughes said:

"I think what may be achieved in the sense of the final results of the war will probably not be determined during our lifetime. I think that

congress had no reference to the national security in the sense of the absolute establishment of some conditions. Congress had in mind an actual state of applied forces."

Challenge Part of Complaint.

Previously, counsel for the government, who contended that the United States is the vital defendant and cannot be made party to the suit, had challenged that part of the bill of complaint in which it is asserted that "seizure of said cables on the ground that they were or are necessary for the national security of defense was and is a mere pretext, without substance or basis in fact."

This imputed deception to the President, declared Edward F. McClennon, special assistant to Attorney General Gregory.

After asserting that when the cables were seized there was "no menace to the national security," Mr. Hughes said that he had been present when President Wilson had told congress that with the armistice actually signed, the conditions it imposed reduced Germany to a state of absolute helplessness.

Judge Hand interrupts.

Here again Judge Hand interrupted to say that if the security of the nation is to be measured by the incorporation of America's conditions in the terms of peace, "surely all means necessary to the achievement of that final end are necessary."

Then followed an argument between Judge Hand and Mr. Hughes as to the meaning of "security." Mr. Hughes who asserted that Germany will have to accept the terms of peace conference as she did those of the armistice, asserted that "security" meant "safety," and that the word was used in direct reference to war power, but the court maintained that such was "a pretty limited interpretation."

Charges Seizure Not Justified.

Asserting that the cables were not seized until "we were out of the woods and just as safe as a nation as any private citizen in his home in a country village," Mr. Hughes continued:

"Was there ever a word from the state department as to any such necessity? Was there any such pretense of any cabinet action on anything of this kind? Did this germinate in the brain of the postmaster general for his own purposes, ulterior entirely to this resolution?"

"Let us put this in plain English. They are taking the profits of our business. That is what it amounts to, and all it amounts to."

"Now they say they created a tribunal; that we cannot complain because the president is the tribunal and we come again to these fictions. Does anybody suppose the President

is going to determine this; I mean in fact?"

Mr. McClennon said in his closing argument that armed operations are still going on and that it was proper the government should decide the manner in which the cables are to be operated to the best advantage. He added that the President had made the decision himself, according to his oath of office, and not the postmaster general.

"UNCLE JIMMY" M'KENNA TO ENTERTAIN SOLDIERS

By Associated Press.
NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—James A. McKenna of the "Fighting McKennas," a veteran Indian fighter on the plains and a picturesque figure known in many western states will be sent to France by the Knights of Columbus to entertain American troops. It was announced today. "Uncle Jimmy" as he is familiarly known, has been secretary for the fraternal organization at Camp Cody, N. M. As a rancher and mining prospector he had battles with Indians, Mexicans and horse thieves and had many narrow escapes from death. While a sergeant in the United States army in the Philippines he was awarded the Medal of Honor for bravery in action. Six years ago he was captured by a Villa band in Mexico but escaped. He has engaged in mining in British Columbia, Siberia and Central America.

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By Associated Press.
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