

"WETS" LOSE IN THE SUPREME COURT

WAR-TIME POWER OF CONGRESS IS UPHOLD BUT NO DECISION IS RENDERED ON ENFORCEMENT ACT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—War-time prohibition was held constitutional today by the supreme court in a unanimous decision. This vanished the hopes of many for a "wet" Christmas.

ITALY FACING A CABINET CRISIS SURE TO COME

Such is Conclusion Resulting From Lack of Majority in Chamber

FRED HUGO HAS BEEN RELEASED; PAID NO RANSOM

Prominent Mexicans Captured at Muzquis Have Also Been Released

GERMAN REPLY WITH SUPREME COUNCIL TODAY

Will Not be Taken up Before Tuesday, According to Announcement

FULLY NINETY PER CENT OF MINERS BUSY

Predicted That Ninety-Five Per Cent of Men Will be at Work by Night

D'ANNUNZIO PREPARING TO QUIT FIUME

Preparations Under Way for the Evacuation of City by Soldier Poet

AT MERCY OF DAY TO DAY POLICY OF LEGISLATORS

Premier's Speech Urging Great International Economy is Generally Approved.

INFORMATION CONTAINED IN A TELEGRAM MONDAY

Poor Communication Facilities Makes it Difficult to Obtain Details

NO ORAL DISCUSSION BY THE GERMANS IS PERMITTED

After Consideration Allies Will Send Final Reply Fixing Date for Signature

RESTRICTIONS ON USE OF COAL ARE REMOVED

Industry Throughout the Country Approaching Normal Basis in Report

COMPLETE SOVEREIGNTY TO BE ASSUMED BY ITALY

General Cavaglia Reported to be Enroute to Take Charge for Government

ATTEMPT TO KILL EGYPTIAN PREMIER

CAIRO, EGYPT, Dec. 15.—An unsuccessful attempt was made today to assassinate the premier of Egypt, Ismail Hani, a student, was arrested.

WILL SEEK RELEASE OF CHARLES WHITE

HAMMONTON N. J., Dec. 15.—Release of Charles White, charged with the murder of Billy Dansey and Mrs. Edith L. Jones, charged with being an accessory after the fact, will be sought late today.

REVERSE DECREES IN INDIAN LAND CASES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Federal court decrees reversing injunction proceedings brought by the government to enjoin officials of Osage county, Okla., from disposing of surplus lands belonging to about 1,000 non-compliant Osage Indians for taxes levied from 1915 to 1917 were reversed today by the supreme court.

LOCAL VALUATIONS TO BE REVISED FOR I. C. COMMISSION

Valuations of railroad properties in this district, with valuations of adjacent properties, such as oil lands, agricultural lands and the like, such as are used by the interstate commerce commission in the fixing of railroad rates, are being revised by Robert J. Schmidt of San Francisco, senior land appraiser in the Pacific district for the interstate commerce commission, who arrived in Wichita Falls Monday morning.

WINTER WHEAT AREA SOWN THIS FALL IS 38,770,000 ACRES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The winter wheat area sown this fall is 38,770,000 acres, the department of agriculture announced today.

TEXAS FARMERS UNION NOT TO CO-OPERATE WITH FEDERATION OF LABOR

PORT WORTH, TEXAS, Dec. 15.—Texas farmers union will not co-operate with the American Federation of Labor, as proposed by the conference now in session in Washington, according to President Lyday of the Texas farmers union.

DISMISS MOTION IN NEWBERRY CASE

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., Dec. 15.—United States District Judge C. W. Sessions today dismissed the motion of attorneys for the defense in the conspiracy case against Senator Truman H. Newberry and 134 others, for a list of witnesses who appeared before the grand jury.

RAISE QUESTION AS TO THE ENFORCEMENT OF POOL HALL LAW

AUSTIN, TEX., Dec. 15.—There is a question, the nature of which was not divulged, as to whether or not Texas officers are authorized to enforce the anti-pool hall law, pending appeal to the supreme court under the decision of the special federal court at Fort Worth last Thursday, said E. F. Smith, assistant attorney general, who argued the case before that court and returned to Austin today.

UNOFFICIAL SESSION PEACE CONFERENCE WILL BE RESUMED

LONDON, Dec. 15.—The "unofficial peace conference" will be resumed at a nearby date, Premier Lloyd George announced in Commons this afternoon. He said the Atlantic and Turkish questions would be disposed of next.

MAJORS CONVENE TO DISCUSS GAS RATE

DALLAS, TEXAS, Dec. 15.—Majors of several North Texas cities served by the Lone Star Gas company were to meet here this afternoon to discuss a new scale of rates designed to curtail heavy domestic consumption. Low pressure this winter is certain, of officials of the company advised.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE IS SOMEWHAT IMPROVED

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Foreign exchange showed improved strength at the opening today. The pound sterling advanced 4-16 to \$1.21 1/2 while franc checks jumped 21 centimes to 11.12 and live checks sixteen centimes to 12.22.

POPULAR DEMAND FOR TREATY RATIFICATION

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—A great popular demand for ratification of the peace treaty is developing throughout the country, it was believed today at the White House.

SEVEN NEW CARDINALS ARE NOMINATED TODAY

ROME, Dec. 15.—Seven new cardinals were nominated today during the secret consistory at which Pope Benedict delivered an allocution.

ALLOW OVERTIME TO MEN ON SLOW FREIGHT SERVICE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Under agreement between the railroad administration and the four brotherhoods of train and engine men, announced today, time and a half for overtime in slow freight service will become effective on December 1.

POOL HALLS CLOSE AT FORT WORTH TODAY

FORT WORTH, TEX., Dec. 15.—All Fort Worth pool halls closed today, deciding to abide by the decision of the federal court which upheld the Texas anti-pool hall law.

HUGO NOW HELD IN EL PINO MOUNTAINS SAYS LATE REPORT

EAGLE PASS, TEX., Dec. 15.—Fred C. Hugo, American captured by Villa's bandits in the Muzquis raid, is being held in the El Pino Mountains, according to word reaching here today.

HAULING TANKS TO YOUNG COUNTY WELL OF HUMBLE OIL CO.

Tankage is being hauled to the Humble Oil Company's No. 1 Marshall in Young county, the location of the well, according to reports from Young county Monday morning, and this new center of interest promises immediate developments of importance.

ENTERTAIN IN HONOR OF DR. AND MRS. WEBBER

Members of the First Presbyterian church are entertaining as honored guests Dr. and Mrs. Webber, medical missionaries from Cameron, Africa, at an all-day meeting being in progress Monday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Culbertson.

FORTY MINERS AT NEWCASTLE HAVE RETURNED TO WORK

PORT WORTH, TEXAS, Dec. 15.—Approximately 1,000 miners or eighty per cent of the normal returned to work at Thurber Monday morning, according to a telephone message this morning from the company's headquarters.

STREET CAR FARES IN CLEVELAND REDUCED

CLEVELAND, OHIO, Dec. 14.—Beginning at midnight tonight, street car fares here will be reduced to six for a quarter from 11 for 50 cents, it was announced today. The one-cent charge for transfers will continue.

TO RIGIDLY ENFORCE LAW IN WICHITA COUNTY

The state pool hall law is to be rigidly enforced in Wichita county and all proprietors who operate pool halls will be prosecuted, Assistant County Attorney John M. Martin announced Monday. Sheriff Bob McFall said that he would follow the county attorney's instructions and immediately arrest persons guilty of violating the state pool hall law.

WORKS AND HICKS HAVE STARTED WELL

Works and Hicks have started drilling on their lease in block 28 about 1,000 yards southeast of the Kemp Hunger, near well. This well should be one of the first to reach the sand, and is being watched with great interest.

GOES TO OKLAHOMA CITY TO ACCEPT A POSITION

C. J. Holtz, who has been connected with Hill, the undertaker, for the past six months, accompanied by his wife, left Monday for Oklahoma City where he has accepted a position with the Street and Draper undertaking firm. Although Mr. Holtz has been a resident of this city for only a short time he has made many friends whose good wishes will go with him.

TUESDAY IS TAG DAY IN Y. W. C. A. DRIVE

Tomorrow, Tuesday, December 16, will be Y. W. C. A. tag day, and the women and girls who are working for the \$250,000 for the Y. W. C. A. building fund in Wichita Falls will be on the streets morning and afternoon, giving the public a chance to give to the fund in as large or small amounts as the individual pocketbook prompts. The tag day was postponed from last Saturday, the weather preventing any street work.



### FIRE PRACTICALLY DESTROYS THE PLANT OF BROOM MFG. CO.

LOSS IS ESTIMATED AT \$20,000 BY T. E. NOBLE, PRESIDENT OF COMPANY.

### DEFECTIVE WIRING IS CAUSE

Meeting This Afternoon to Decide Whether or Not Plant is to Be Rebuilt.

Decision will be reached today by majority stockholders whether to rebuild the factory of the Wichita Broom Manufacturing Company, destroyed by fire Sunday morning, or to sell the property to other interests and discontinue the business. A conference to discuss this question, and also matters relative to property loss and insurance, will be held this afternoon between T. E. Noble and E. A. Kemp, who hold 43,000 of the issue of \$25,000 of the company's stock.

The fire which wrecked the factory of the company at 208 Michigan street started early Sunday forenoon, spread rapidly among masses of broom corn and other raw materials, and was practically beyond control before the firemen arrived. The flames, originating from a short circuit among heavy voltage wires inside the roof of the structure, had gained tremendous headway before being noticed, and the firemen were forced to confine their efforts largely to preventing the spread of the fire to adjoining buildings in the railroad yards. Belts and shafting, piping, motors and other equipment of the factory were ruined, and the loss, according to rough estimate made this morning by Mr. Noble, will figure to not less than \$20,000. Only a small part of this is covered by insurance.

A solid brick wall prevented the spread of the flames to the storehouse of the American Rail Express Company, where many thousands of dollars worth of merchandise are awaiting delivery, while hard work on the part of the firemen probably saved the broom factory warehouse from destruction. The warehouse is filled with broom corn and straw, and its destruction would undoubtedly have doubled the property loss.

Thirty employees of the factory today are jobless, but an effort will be made by officials of the company to find work for many of the men in clearing up the debris caused by the fire. In view of the value of the real estate, it is generally considered doubtful if the company will rebuild on the same location, and there is greater probability that the business will be entirely discontinued. The property of the Wichita Ice Company adjoining the factory on the north, sold recently for \$150,000, which is considered a fair indication of the worth of the broom company's realty holdings.

### PRISONER WAS TAKEN TO FORT WORTH MONDAY

J. A. Bowers, under five-year penitentiary sentence here on a charge of forging, was taken to Fort Worth Monday where he will face a charge of forgery before Judge George E. Hovey of the criminal district court here. An indictment alleging forgery was recently returned against Bowers by a Tarrant county grand jury. Bowers was indicted by the special grand jury here last month and was later convicted by a jury in Judge Bonner's court and punishment assessed at five years in the state penitentiary. He is alleged to have forged checks aggregating more than \$2,000, using the names of prominent Fort Worth and Wichita Falls oil and cattle men.

LONDON.—The horrors of peace have fallen on the British navy. An admiralty order states that soft collars may no longer be worn by officers in uniform.

Let Cuticura Be Your Beauty Doctor

MAJESTIC THEATRE TODAY Kathryn Adams J. Barney Sherry AND Frank Mayo IN A Little Brother of the Rich

A triply fascinating story of society and the footlights from the stage success of the same name by Joseph Medill Patterson.

PLAZA THEATRE TODAY AND TOMORROW "The Frisco Belles" (Tabloid Musical Comedy)

Picture Program Constance Talmadge

"Happiness A La Mode"

Why did she consent to give him a divorce when she loved him and knew that he loved her?

MATINEE 2:30 P. M. DAILY Adults 25c—Children 25c

### Social News

#### OPEN MEETING OF THE MEN'S CLUB WEDNESDAY

The war will be fought all over again on Wednesday evening, when the Men's club of the church of the Good Shepherd meets at the Parish House, and the ladies have been invited to share in the warlike program. Major Hackbush, Captain Roberts and Lieutenant Burns will tell of the service and Secretary Hawco of the Y. M. C. A. will give "Reminiscences. Selections from the war verse of the various writers will also be a part of the program, and thirty and forty there will be refreshments. A cordial invitation is extended to all men of the church to attend with their wives.

#### THEATER PARTY FOR MRS. MARTIN KING

Complimenting Mrs. Martin King of Hattiesburg, Miss., who as Mrs. Maude Soule spent her girlhood days in Wichita Falls, and whose visit here for the past several weeks has been the occasion of numerous pleasurable affairs of her friends, Mrs. A. E. Myles and Mrs. Wade Walker entertained with a theater party Saturday, the guests being the intimate friends of Mrs. King. The vaudeville matinee of the Wichita theater and then a sandwich course at Felix's was the order of the afternoon. The guests were: Mrs. King, honoree, Mesdames T. M. Reese, Eugene Sherrod, H. L. Miller, Lindsay Bibb, T. H. Hunter, M. M. Walker and M. M. Reid. Mrs. King who has been the guest of her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Soule, and also visiting other friends for several weeks, returned Monday morning to her home in Hattiesburg.

#### ROWENA GIRL TO MEET TUESDAY AFTERNOON

The Rowena Circle will be enter-

tained Tuesday afternoon by Mrs. H. H. Ramsey, 1208 Tyler. The meeting will open at 2:30. All members are urged to attend.

#### FIVE STATE PRISONERS SENT TO PENITENTIARY

Five state prisoners recently convicted at the special session of the thirtieth district court here will leave Monday night for the state penitentiary at Hutchinson in custody of Bud Russell, state penitentiary agent. The five prisoners to go from Wichita Falls were convicted on various felony charges and have prison terms varying from two to ten years to serve.

The Wichita county prisoners to go are: D. R. Drennan, sentenced to serve ten years following his conviction on a charge of theft from person; Clarence H. Mape, sentenced to serve two years following his conviction on one of eight charges alleging forgery; Harry Smith, sentenced to serve two years on a charge of stealing an automobile; H. D. McClure, sentenced to serve two years following his conviction on one of eight charges alleging forgery; Alexander Uiz, sentenced to two years on a charge of stealing an automobile.

#### THREE OTHER PRISONERS CONVICTED AT THE RECENT SPECIAL SESSION AND SENTENCED TO PRISON TERMS WILL NOT GO AT THIS TIME, AS THEY HAVE BEEN TRIED ON OTHER COUNTY SEATS TO FACE TRIAL ON FELONY CHARGES.

#### CHARGED WITH CARRYING A CONCEALED WEAPON

Harold Turner, said to be an oil field worker, is charged by complaint in county criminal court with carrying a concealed weapon. He is said to have unlawfully had in his possession a pistol. Another charge alleging disturbance of the peace was also filed in county criminal court against Turner. Both complaints were filed Monday.

#### SIR ROBERT BORDEN IS ABOUT TO RETIRE

OTTAWA, Dec. 15.—The report that Sir Robert Borden is about to retire as Canadian premier, was strengthened tonight with the announcement that after a conference of doctors last week, Sir Robert was given medical orders to give up public life. A meeting of cabinet leaders has been called to consider the question of his successor. The reports of Premier Borden's pending retirement was simultaneous with a rumor that he had been asked to accept the post of British ambassador to Washington.

#### VAUDEVILLE OPERA HOUSE

WICHITA THEATRE CO. CHARLES KIRKPATRICK, Mgr. Pantages "Big Time" Vaudeville Road Show Five Acts will be presented—two shows daily, 7:30 and 9:30—Mettings Wednesday and Saturday. THREE ROMANOS SISTERS Three Dancing Beauties RAY CONLIN The Acme of Sub-Vocal Comedy IMPERIAL QUINETTE Operatic Singing—Scenes From Grand Opera and Popular Folk Songs RAY AND EMMA DEAN "Leave Me Alone, Darn You" GEORGE CHOOS PRESENTS Robert Capron, Herbert Brooks and Evelyn Dockson in "Perhaps You're Right" A Musical Comedy Episode Night Prices—50c, 75c, \$1.00. War Tax Included. Matinee Prices—25c and 50c, plus War Tax. At Matinee.



Wm. Tighman, Marshal of the Oklahoma Outlaw film.

# EMPRESS

2 THEATRE 2 TWO DAYS ONLY DAYS

TUES. DEC. 16. WED. DEC 17 CONTINUOUS 12 NOON TO 11:30 P. M.

### THE GREAT HISTORICAL FEATURE

## Passing of the Oklahoma Outlaw

FACTS, NOT FICTION EVERY ACT, EVERY SCENE A MATTER OF COURT RECORD

in the unrelenting fight of the law against the outlaw, fifty-two peace officers gave their lives that the law might prevail, and justice not perish. The most fascinating and unforgettable record of the most stirring fight for just and right in history. A moral unforgettable lesson to youth in which he is told the wages of sin is death. See again the outlaw career of Bill Dalton, Bill Doolin, Red Buck, the Killer, Al Jennings, Henry Starr, king of bank robbers, and many other noted bad men of the great southwest. The greatest historical feature picture of facts, not fiction, ever thrown on the screen.



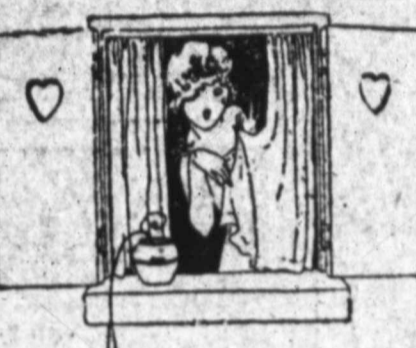
Bill Doolin, King of Outlaws, the Shrewdest and Most Daring Leader of Outlaws Since the Days of Jesse James.

The passing of the Oklahoma outlaw bears more genuine endorsements of the press, public exhibitors, ministers and judges of the Supreme Court, than any motion picture before the public today.

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## A Highly Specialized Department Devoted to The Newest Undersilks



Glove silk, jersey silk and crepe de chine garments, interesting to all women because they're here in full assortment and containing many novelties.

We show the new step-in and envelope chemise, bloomers and vests. Very dainty, beautifully lace trimmed. A complete range in style and sizes in regulation union suits, teddies, vests and bloomers in white and flesh.

### Choose from this dainty collection of Silken Underthings

You'll like every garment and no doubt you will want to purchase many of these pretty things for every feminine member of your gift list.



- Gowns of crepe de chine and satins, flesh tint, nicely trimmed with lace. \$9.85 to \$34.50
- Teddies, jersey and crepe de chine, flesh tint, \$3.95 to \$9.85
- Jersey vests, flesh tint, priced \$3.50 to \$6.95
- Bloomers, satins and jerseys, \$4.50 to \$5.95
- Petticoats, georgette, satin and jerseys, flesh tint, lace trimmed, \$7.95 to \$24.50
- Women's pajamas, crepe de chine and satin, 2-piece; also "Billie Burke" styles, lace trimmed, \$19.50 to \$39.50

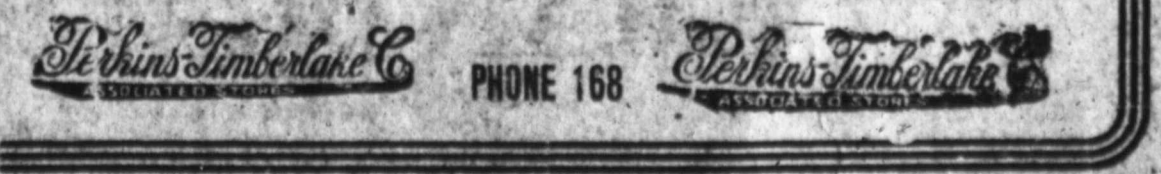
### DANIEL GREEN SLIPPERS AND HOUSE SHOES FOR WOMEN

Plain and quilted satins in assorted colors. Pretty felts with fur trimmings and many other extraordinary styles. Just the thing for Christmas. Priced from \$2.00 to \$5.00

### YOU'LL FIND HERE MANY PRETTY SILK SHIRTS FOR CHRISTMAS

You'll please him no better than to select him a shirt from our wonderful stock.

They're here in many designs, materials and colors, all sizes from 14 to 17. Priced up to \$18.00



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Power of Public Opinion

The Denton Record-Chronicle's comment on the recent pool hall decision at Fort Worth is well put:

"Assuming that the Supreme Court will uphold the decision of three Federal judges that banishment of commercial pool and billiard parlors is within the police power of the state, we see another example of where contempt of the public's wishes has resulted disastrously for the interests attempting to ignore public sentiment."

"In politics," wrote John Stuart Mill in his chapter on Liberty? "it is almost a truism to say that public opinion now rules the world."

"MODEST MAC GREGOR." Texas Republican Chairman MacGregor is more modest in his claims than the Texas Republican Council, which has lifted Texas bodily into the republic column "by overwhelming majority."

It begins to appear, however, that Texas republicans are counting not on their own strength, but they are calculating on putting out a candidate who, in the general election, would appeal to some disgruntled democratic elements.

"The stars inspire, but do not compel." HOROSCOPE. Copyright, 1914, by the McClure Newspaper Syndicate.

While Mercury and Neptune rule strongly for good this day, according to astrologers, Mars and Jupiter are adverse.

Texas Democrats will thank Mr. MacGregor for leaving them fifteen congressmen and will thank their own stars that there is no chance for a republican Senator from Texas next year, being as how there is none to be elected.

They've charged the sugar shortage to pretty much everything. Not long ago it was because of prohibition.

The United States has been a leader always in the proposal for international disarmament, and a clause to that effect is one of the proposals of the League of Nations.

Little Benny's Note Book

THE BED. The bed is the opposite end of the body from the feet even when you are standing on it.

The mouth is an important part of the bed. It helps us to eat and breathe. It is bounded on the North by the nose and on the South by the chin.

RIPLING RHYMES. By WALT MASON.

The wolf is at the door, my friends, the wolf is at the door; by day and night he howls and scowls, like a snarling roar.

The labor movement has failed in this country. The labor movement has failed in this country.

Severe and unusual weather probably will mark next month when sudden changes of temperature will be frequent.

Just Folks by Edgar A. Guest

THE SMUGGLER

There's a thrill of high excitement I imagine that is fine When the skipper of a vessel tries to run a blockade line.

Oh, I've often sat and marvelled at the tricks of Captain Kidd And I've thought about his shrewdness as I've read of things he did.

I'm a smuggler, I confess it. I'm a blockade runner, too. In the attic now is plumper than I'm keeping out of view.

This is the season of gift-giving. Our minds are strongly turned to the thought of what we have to give to our friends.

The stenographer who sometimes comes to me to take dictation is a nervous, tense person. When she arrived the other day she seemed much more relaxed and serene than usual.

Think what that means! Those people could not give her certain material comforts that she could have had elsewhere.

A beautiful love is always a gift to those who are privileged to know it. It is not then a happy time to ask yourself, what gift of personality you give?

Side Talks by Ruth Cameron

HEADLINE HISTORY

WORLD WAR

1914 Allies attack along western front making little headway.

1915 General Sir Douglas Haig replaces Field Marshal Sir John French as commander in chief of the British forces in France and Belgium.

1916 French break through German lines in big thrust near Verdun.

1917 Inter-Allied Economic Council, with U.S. participating, organizes in London.

1918 Radicals resign from German cabinet; Berlin strike grows.

1919 "1919—AMERICANS ARE BUYING RED CROSS CHRISTMAS SEALS."

Children born on this day probably will be clever and industrious.

DR. WPKKE DECLARES LABOR MOVEMENT HAS FAILED IN THIS COUNTRY

"The labor movement has failed in this country," said Dr. James E. McKee, formerly pastor of the First Presbyterian church in this city.

YOU KNOW HOW IT IS



COOKS AND WAITERS TO ESTABLISH RESTAURANT

A modern restaurant, up-to-date and first class in every respect, is to be established here in the near future, by the local Cooks and Waiters union.

Notice of Stockholders Meeting. Notice is hereby given that the regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Wichita Falls will be held in the banking room on Tuesday, January 13th, 1915.

ANNOUNCEMENT. The Wichita Studio will re-open about December 15, when our new building at Tenth and Austin will be complete.

PLEGGED TO FIND CURE FOR SLEEPING SICKNESS. CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—A pledge to spend the remainder of his life in attempting to find a cure for the sleeping sickness was made by Dr. R. D. Pope, Long Beach, Cal.

To Our Retail Customers

We wish to inform the public that they can procure sweetmilk, Bulgarian buttermilk, cream, etc., at the following grocery stores:

- G. H. Clarke Gro., 213 Austin. G. H. Johnson Gro., 208 Bluff. J. C. Guiver Gro., 209 Scott. Nicholas Gro., 800 Second. Roberts Gro., 1307 Grace. Floral Heights Gro. Co., 1106 Tyler. Winfrey Gro., 1269 Eleventh. Irwin Gro., 1462 Fourteenth. Smith's Cash Gro., 1702 Bluff. Bird Bros. Gro., 306-Brick st. Bell Gro., 200 Humphrey. Brooks Lunch Room, 711 1/2 Seventh. Pure Milk Products Co., 705 TENTH STREET.

Oil Men find the Cletrac a big factor in getting the job done quickly and cheaply

It is truly said that there is no section producing oil having the men who are so keen on the job as are the oil men of the Southwest. They find that this wonderful track-lying tractor enables them to get the job done, quicker and cheaper and that means more money in the game for them.

Cletrac TANK-TYPE TRACTOR

The Cletrac is a tank-type tractor. That means that it lays down its own tracks, travels on them and picks them up, again. The Cletrac weighs only 3,300 pounds and has a traction surface of over 600 square inches.

Vertical advertisements on the right edge of the page, including 'MONDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1914', 'AUTOMATIC REPLACE TELEPHONE', 'WILL BE INSTALLED EQUIPMENT', 'TO MEET FOR INFORMATION', 'Presented teleph...', 'Five floors of...', 'COMPLET PROFITE MADE BY', and 'SPARTAN...'





DO YOU KNOW ANY BROTHER "DEKE" IN THIS BUNCH?



DELTA KAPPA EPSILON DELEGATES AT CONVENTION HERE

Above are represented delegates from forty-three Delta Kappa Epsilon chapters in colleges and universities of the United States, who held their annual convention this year in the club rooms in New York city.

SPORTS

LATEST NEWS AND VIEWS OF INTEREST TO SPORT FANS

NO DODGING TO GO IN FOOTBALL SEASON FOR ANOTHER YEAR

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Schedules full of "set ups" will be scarce on the gridiron next fall.

Harvard so far has been the sensation of the winter football league.

First the Crimson breaks all precedent by booking a post season jaunt to the Pacific coast for a game with Oregon.

Harvard, Yale, the Army and Navy were roundly condemned last season for going through a "pass test" schedule.

Yale is showing the same spirit by dickering for games with the Army, Columbia, Syracuse, Colgate, Dartmouth, Williams, Cornell and Brown.

OSWEGO, N. Y.—Sunday indoor baseball games may be arranged for Oswego this winter.

TORREADOR PREMIER NEW TITLE IN MEXICO FOR JACK JOHNSON

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 14.—Jack Johnson, Torreador Premier.

Jack was given a great ovation when he strode across the ring. He scored a technical knockout over two large bulls after a real fight during which he was felled twice, almost for the count.

Jack's white wife sat in a ringside box and, in accordance with the custom of bestowing the cape on the lady of the torreador's choice, Jack bowed eloquently and handed it up to her.

Some mistake was made by the "stage hands" and the second bull was released before Jack had completed responding to the applause.

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CHAMPION WILL TAKE ON ANY BANTAM WEIGHT

MONTREAL, QUE., Dec. 15.—Jimmy Wilde, flyweight champion, has agreed to take on any bantamweight in the Dominion in a four round fight next Monday night.

He has offered his services for entertainment for the Grand Army of Canada, an organization of war veterans that is conducting the champion's tour of Canada.

LYNCH AND FOX TO GO EIGHT ROUNDS

NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 15.—Joe Lynch, contender for the featherweight title and Joey Fox, who claims the English title, are to go eight rounds as a feature of an all star card here December 22.

ATHLETIC FIELD AND STADIUM FOR DARTMOUTH

HANOVER, N. H., Dec. 15.—Dartmouth has announced plans for a \$250,000 athletic field and stadium to be erected as a memorial to ninety Dartmouth men who gave their lives with the American army.

YALE-HARVARD TEAM MAY GO TO ENGLAND

CAMBRIDGE, MASS., Dec. 15.—Yale and Harvard may combine field and track talent and send a team to England next summer to engage in a dual meet with Oxford and Cambridge.

AGAIN DENIES RUMOR SOX THREW GAMES

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Rumors that some members of the White Sox players did not put forth their best efforts during the world series were denied today by Charles Comiskey, club owner.

ST. CLOUD, MINN.—A painting of the work of a Minneapolis art firm has been received at the high school here and dedicated to the memory of St. Cloud boys who lost their lives in the war.

APARTMENT HOUSE AT BRICK PLANT IS BURNED ON SUNDAY

Fourteen families, made homeless by the destruction of a brick Sunday night of a large tenement house southeast of the city limits, were being housed today in the machine rooms of the Wichita Brick & Tile Company.

W. R. B. MACHINE & TOOL COMPANY Manufacturers of oil well drilling tools.

WICHITA FALLS SADDLE & HARNESS CO. DISTRIBUTOR

JIMMY WILDE MAY MEET CARL TREMAIN

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 15.—Jimmy Wilde may meet Carl Tremain De-troit, in a ten-round match here on New Year's day.

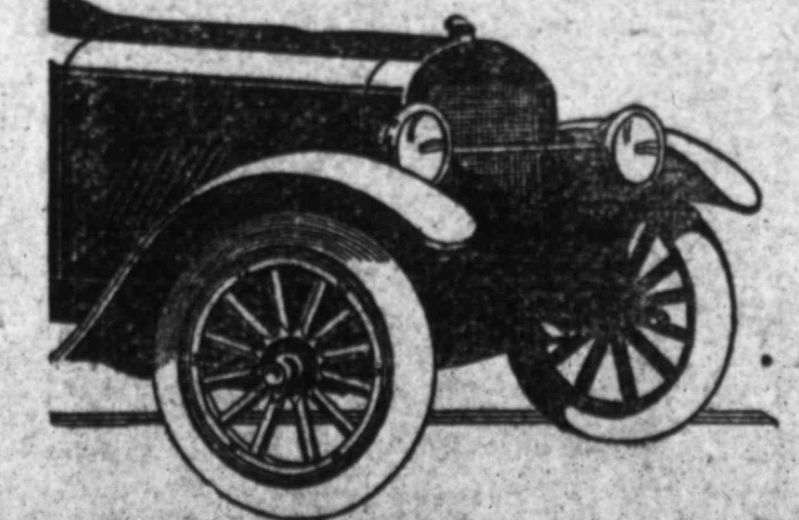
NEGRO CHARGED WITH THEFT OF MERCHANDISE

Joe Thomas, negro janitor employed by the Young Drug Company on Indiana avenue, was taken into custody late Saturday night charged with the theft of merchandise valued at over \$50.

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The American flag has been restored to 41 of the world's great ocean routes, the Shipping Board records in its annual report to Congress. Most of the ships are plying trans-Atlantic and South American lanes, the report said, but some of them are in waters where the Stars and Stripes has not been seen on commercial vessels for more than a generation.

Distribution of the Government fleet of 1,230 vessels aggregating 5,191,000 tons, shows 236 vessels in the northern Europe trade. The trans-Atlantic trade was next with 197 ships of 1,304,953 tons engaged in the food relief service and 176 ships with a tonnage of 1,175,614 were still in use by the Army on June 30, last.

Another 188 vessels were engaged in the South American trade; 73 plying to Brazil, 52 to La Plata and 22 to the West Coast of South America. Sixty vessels were making regular sailings to Southern European ports, 14 to Africa, 6 to India, 77 in the trans-Pacific, 143 to the West Indies and 44 in the coastwise and New England coal trade.

The total gross revenues for the year were approximately \$60,000,000 compared with \$20,000,000 for 1915, but no comprehensive statement showing the profit or loss was available.

Expenditures totaled \$2,512,592,000 compared with \$770,494,057 for 1915, \$1,971,387,075 being for ship construction. Next heaviest was for inventory of materials amounting to \$177,734,646 and plant and property expenses were placed at \$167,734,559.

It cost \$42,065,925 to furnish adequate housing accommodations for the employees of 24 shipyards and one turbine plant, 5,644 houses, 94 dormitories, three hotels, six boarding houses, 349 apartment houses, stores and other structures, having been built, the report said, according to the United States had become the leading shipbuilding nation of the world in tonnage capacity and rapidly of construction, the report said. During the second quarter of 1919, 45 per cent of the world tonnage under construction was in American yards including 42 per cent of the world's steel ship construction.

Vessels of the 10,000, 12,500 and 15,000 deadweight tonnage classes will be the most efficient to meet modern trade requirements, the report said, and provision for steaming radius of 15,000 nautical miles has been made in new American ships. The program for the establishment of oil fuel stations calls for tank facilities at St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, Honolulu, Manila, Ponta Delgada, Arara, Bitter, Tunis and Constantinople.

# SWITZERLAND IS FULL OF SPIES EXILED ROYALISTS AND PLOTTERS

By HENRY WOOD  
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

BERNE, SWIT., (By Mail).—From "The Playground of Europe" of before the war, Switzerland has become "The Plotting Ground of Europe" of after the war.

And all of this plotting may now be summarized in one general end: "The Constitution of a Danubian Confederation."

To the credit of the Swiss it must be said that they resent in the extreme degree the abuse that is now being made of their country and their hospitality by the exiled rulers and statesmen of erstwhile empires and states, but they are as helpless in the matter as they are innocent. While they cannot keep their little country from being converted into an incubator, however, they can at least try to keep the plot being brooded there from actually hatching, and the Swiss secret service together with its gendarmes, its policemen, its detectives and its public officials generally are putting in quite a few sleepless nights to this end.

In fact there is every reason to presume that they are losing more sleep trying to keep the plot from hatching than the plotters are in trying to make them hatch. Exiled statesmen and rulers have to keep busy plotting in left itself to ex-statemans and ex-diplomats and it is entirely possible that Switzerland is taking the plot that is going on within her borders about a hundred times more seriously than are the plotters themselves. In any event both are keeping busy.

Now that the gradual readjustment of Europe has left no doubts in the minds of certain exiled rulers like ex-King Constantine of Greece and some of the former rulers of German states of the hopelessness of their cause, all of the plotting in Switzerland has come slowly to center on one great scheme, a scheme that is not only considered possible but that is considered by many of the greatest minds and authorities of Europe as being absolutely imperative and inevitable.

This is the constitution of a Danubian Federation to replace the old Dual Monarchy, and which according to its backers, is the only thing that can insure the life of the half dozen or more states into which the old Austria-Hungarian monarchy has been divided.

Whether this Danubian Federation has its center north of the Danube with what is left of Hungary and Austria as the basis or whether it has its center south of the Danube with Serbia and Rumania playing the leading role; whether it be monarchical or republican in form, together with half a dozen other possibilities or ramifications, are generally considered unimportant. All that is regarded as vital and imperative is that such a confederation be constituted and that it be organized in full harmony with and support of the Allies.

The new states like Poland and Czecho-Slovakia figure they can go it alone. They don't know as a matter of fact because they have not tried yet, and they are determined to try. But the political and economical statesmen of Europe are looking mighty askance. Finally Serbia and Rumania which have already demonstrated their ability to go it alone will be generally conceded, with their increased territory and population resources—and war debts—be able to get away with it, and yet it is isolated they would be able to do it much better in a confederate existence than alone.

Hungary and German Austria, as they will exist when the peace conference finishes its work, will be dead states—their own people and statesmen admit that. Poland and Czecho-Slovakia are merely gambling states. But Serbia and Rumania are considered as the two big future bets of south central Europe.

On the other hand there are just as many supporters and just as many plotters in Switzerland who would like to see Vienna regain some of its past glory as the center of the new Danubian confederacy. Budapest is quickly well represented while there are plenty of others who can demonstrate from a dozen standpoints why Warsaw is inevitably destined as the future great center of Middle European life.

Aside from political and economical considerations, such a confederation, its backers declare, is the only thing that can insure the future peace of Europe from a racial standpoint. If Central Europe is to be "Balkanized" by being split up into half a dozen or more separate states in which the races and populations of one constantly overlap the other, the world, they insist, must recede itself to a repetition of Balkan history only on the constant clashes and wars of these different peoples for the "liberation" of their "redeemed brothers" just across the border in some other state.

From the old dual monarchy, in a general way it can be said they are absolutely disinterested. They are simply convinced from first-hand experience that the only way in which the racial, industrial, economical and financial difficulties of all the new middle Europe states can be settled without constant warfare and friction is by some sort of a central, confederated government in which they can work together rather than against each other.

The other class however, is com-

posed largely if not exclusively of members of the Hapsburg family or of the clique that remains faithful to it. They want a Danubian confederation—under the support of the allies of course—but monarchical in form. That would give a job if not to Emperor Carl at least to some Hapsburgian archduke and that would make a place for all the Hapsburgs who have remained faithful to the family in exile. Between the exiled statesmen and the exiled Hapsburgs it is not impossible that the Danube may confederate.

## VOICE OF THE PEOPLE.

**PRAISES HOSPITAL FOR THE SERVICE RENDERED**

Editor Times:

Referring to the article in your paper Dec. 2, on the conditions at the Wichita General Hospital.

I have been a patient in this institution since November 15, the greater part of which has been spent in bed. I have at no time "suffered" for the want of attention, blankets or other necessities, neither have I suffered from the cold.

I have become acquainted with quite a few of the patients here, one especially, Mr. Cal Scott, who has been a patient here most of the time since June and who says he has absolutely no complaint either on account of inattention of the doctors or the nurses, but has always found them attentive and willing. An unable to find a single patient among those who have become acquainted with, who has anything but the very highest praise for both the day superintendent Miss Martha Harris, and the night superintendent Miss Louise Kodack and their corps of able and efficient nurses.

I am wondering if the party, or parties, making the complaint ever spent thirty minutes in a hospital, and if not, but if they would certainly have made no such charges—but these are persons who will find fault with their heavenly surroundings and con-

ditions. I know for a positive fact that each and every patient who is in the two parts of blankets and all the necessary linen on their beds.

As for patients being compelled to buy outside, it has always been the custom in hospitals where I have been an inmate, from Mexico City to Canada, that a patient had the privilege of purchasing what they desired so long as it did not interfere with their treatment or recovery.

If the people of Wichita Falls could only realize the good work being done by the General Hospital there would, and could, only be praise, but the public does not seem to recognize that the General is one of the only two hospitals within a radius of two hundred miles, to take care of the sick and injured of this city and the fast growing oil fields.

I am not interested nor involved with either side of this question but, like the late lamented Teddy Roosevelt, I sure do believe in a square deal and giving credit where credit is due, and it is certainly due to the good doctors, superintendents and nurses of this institution.

Your giving this letter as prominent place in your valued paper as the "Voice of the People" will be appreciated by every patient in this hospital, as well as myself. Yours respectfully,  
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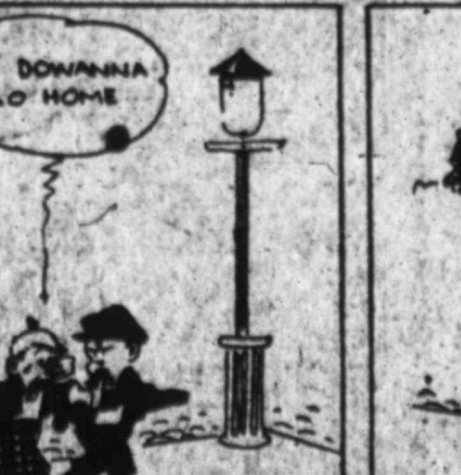
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By Gene Byrne

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