

### EARLY SOLUTION OF FUME ISSUE EXPECTED SOON

Conference of Italian Leaders Held Preliminary to Meeting With Allies

### CONFERENCE AT PARIS TO BE HELD AT EARLIER DATE

General Badoglio, Chief of Staff in Rome From Fiume to Discuss Situation

By CAMILLO CIANFARA United Press Staff Correspondent. ROME, Dec. 23. (Night.)—The situation at Fiume is growing more complicated hourly. It was indicated here today but never the less settlement of the disposition of the city was believed imminent. The conscription today permitted partial relations of negotiations now under way at Fiume between D'Annunzio and the government. The Epoch's Fiume correspondent telegraphed additional details on the recent phase held there. Open conflict has broken out, he said. After the national council voted to accept Premier Nitti's proposals there was a demonstration in front of D'Annunzio's palace the people shouting that Nitti's plan was not acceptable and that the government could not be trusted. D'Annunzio, however, ordered the council's vote ratified by the population and violence followed. Extremists invaded the Veduggia D'Italia, Pro-Accomplices newspapers, and prevented many persons from voting. Under the circumstances D'Annunzio decided to annul the ratification vote. In an article printed in the Veduggia December 21 the post admitted "Fiume's voice has changed and that accord no longer exists." He asked a frank statement of the people's wishes. The Rome Giornale D'Italia said today Under-Secretary Foscarini now is acting as the government's go-between in an endeavor to induce D'Annunzio to accept the National Council's vote.

ROME, Dec. 24.—Premier Nitti informed the council of ministers yesterday by telegram that he would return after having obtained a definite settlement of the Fiume and Adriatic questions.

ROME, Tuesday, Dec. 23.—General Badoglio, Italian chief of staff, arrived here this morning from Paris and talked with Premier Nitti and King Victor Emmanuel. Later the premier had a long interview with the king and then called a meeting of the council of ministers, which for three hours discussed the Fiume situation and also international questions in connection with the approaching visit to Signor Nitti to Paris. It is believed the Fiume and Adriatic questions will reach a definite solution at the Paris conference. According to reports current here, the meeting of Allied premiers and foreign ministers at Paris, which was to have been held the first fortnight of January, is being postponed until the latter part of the month. Lloyd George of Great Britain, may begin earlier. Besides the premier and Vittorio Scialoja, Dante Ferraris, minister of industry and commerce, will go to the French capital for the purpose of discussing financial and economic questions. The Corriere D'Italia says: "Probably Signor Nitti will also go to America to definitely complete financial arrangements which in general have been approved by the United States and to settle the exchange situation and lighten the Italian financial burden."

### FAVOR GOVERNMENT PLAN FOR OCCUPATION

ROME, Dec. 24.—In consequence of doubts regarding the first objective at Fiume, another was taken on Sunday which resulted in 75 per cent of the votes being cast in favor of the Italian government's proposals relative to the future occupation of the city, according to Giornale D'Italia. Major Giurati, chief of Captain Gabriele D'Annunzio's cabinet, is reported to have signed. The Italian government will keep in its possession the whole of the armistice lines, reaffirming the right of Fiume to decide its own fate. Note is taken of the wishes of Fiume as expressed October 20, 1919, and it is declared Italy will never accept any other solution. Fiume will receive financial assistance so that it may be able to re-establish its life and to resume its activities under the regime of a free port. During the transitional period, it is said, the Italian government will not exercise its sovereignty over Fiume and the independence of which shall in no way be diminished or violated. The government will not accept any solution tending to separate Fiume and the surrounding territory from the mother country, and meanwhile will occupy and guarantee the integrity of Fiume and its territory with regular troops which will be exclusively of Italian nationality. The rights of the local militia which the city of Fiume has established will be respected.

### ROUGH SLEDDING FOR SANTA CL AUS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Santa Claus will have to take the runners off his sleighs tonight before he can settle down to work. At least he will in the northwest sections of the country, but in the east and south it will be unsettled with chances favoring a fair Christmas.

### JAPANESE FILE OBJECTIONS TO THE MANDATE

Do Not Like Form for Administering German Colonies in the Pacific

### ASK TIME TO REFER THE MATTER TO GOVERNMENT

Question of Mandates Was Taken Up by the Supreme Council This Morning

PARIS, Dec. 24.—Japan's representative in the supreme council has objected to the form of mandates under which the former German colonies in the Pacific would be administered. Time has been asked to refer the question to the Tokyo government. The question of mandates was taken up today by the council, which considered the drafts that had been prepared and adopted, two giving mandates in Africa to Great Britain and Belgium. Final action on five others was postponed on the request of the Japanese delegates, Baron Matsui. The mandates considered had been prepared by the mandate commission in London. They were in three series, denominated type A, type B and type C. The two mandates adopted came under type B, providing for administration under the regime of the League of Nations. The type A mandates apply to the Orient and the type C to the Pacific colonies. Type C developed the objections upon the part of Baron Matsui. He found that they gave Japan less advantages than she had enjoyed in those colonies under the German rule. It was stated. Three of the four voting delegates in the council approved the drafts but Baron Matsui reserved the approval of Japan and asked for time to refer the question to his government. The details which the Japanese representatives objected were not disclosed but it is assumed here that the question of the migration of Japanese to the colonies which would come under the mandate of Australia was involved, as well as the economic establishment of German colonies and the outgrowth of transactions incident to the promotion of the original Burk-Waggoner Oil Company. A. P. Howard, E. H. Pigg and A. H. Murchison of Germany are among the defendants named, there being 14 in all. It is set out in the petition that Mr. Basham and the defendants were formerly associated as promoters of the plaintiff and were represented by the plaintiff's attorney, R. O. Lewis of Dallas, in the case. The names of the attorneys for the defendants have not been announced.

### SUIT IS FILED FOR \$125,000 DAMAGES BY C. E. BASHAM

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES. VERNON, TEX., Dec. 24.—Damage in the sum of \$125,000 are claimed by C. E. Basham in a suit filed yesterday in the district court against R. N. Waggoner and others and the outgrowth of transactions incident to the promotion of the original Burk-Waggoner Oil Company. A. P. Howard, E. H. Pigg and A. H. Murchison of Germany are among the defendants named, there being 14 in all. It is set out in the petition that Mr. Basham and the defendants were formerly associated as promoters of the plaintiff and were represented by the plaintiff's attorney, R. O. Lewis of Dallas, in the case. The names of the attorneys for the defendants have not been announced.

### EMPLOYEES DISCOVER BANK IS ROBBED ON OPENING UP TODAY

BLUE JACKET OKLA., Dec. 24.—Employees of the Blue Jacket State Bank upon entering the building for work this morning discovered that its vault had been entered during the night and all deposit boxes rifled. All money and valuables belonging to the bank's clientele were taken, but the big safe within the vault was untouched. Bank officials refused to estimate the extent of their customers' losses.

### COMMISSION ON COAL WAGES TO MEET ON MONDAY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—President Wilson today issued a call for a meeting here Monday of the special commission appointed to investigate wages and prices in the bituminous coal industry. The commission at that time is expected to lay plans for its industry, which probably will continue several weeks.

### A PAIR OF REINDEER AND THE PICTURE WOULD BE COMPLETE



Friend of all, but especially beloved of the children, recipient of their childish confidences and idol of their dreams—that is "Santa."

### SAYS EUROPE NEEDS TO POOL FOOD SUPPLY

Situation is Discussed by General Bliss, Member American Peace Delegation

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 24.—Europe's most urgent need today is the pooling of its food supply and the establishment of proper distribution facilities under a direct general, in the opinion of General Tasker H. Bliss, a member of the American peace delegation, who reached Washington today from Paris. Such an arrangement, General Bliss said, would remove the economic strengthening morale and aid over the formative period the new governments which have been created as a result of the war. Germany, he said, should be included in the economic coalition. With Germany excluded, he declared, there would be an element of discontent which would inevitably react on the other countries. General Bliss saw no possibility of including Russia in the distribution plan, but he said if the present so-called government of that country would play fair with the rest of the world for thirty days and during that time the general distribution of necessities could be worked to include Russia, he believed. Present situation in that country would be completely changed.

### VIRGO MAINTAINS HE IS INNOCENT OF THE TABOR MURDER

PAW PAW, MICH., Dec. 24.—Joseph Virgo, accused of killing his wife, Maud Tabor, by an illegal operation, continued to maintain his innocence of the crime today. Virgo has been questioned almost constantly since early Tuesday, when Mrs. Sarah Tabor, his mother-in-law, declared her daughter's death resulted from the operation performed by the accused man. According to attorneys, Virgo stuck to his original story that he was asked to perform an operation by Mrs. Tabor, but refused. "I've always said he didn't want any brats running around the house," Mrs. Tabor said. Virgo will go to trial in January, according to present plans.

### GENERAL PERSHING PAYS HOLIDAY VISIT TO LINCOLN TODAY

LINCOLN, NEB., Dec. 24.—General John J. Pershing came to Lincoln today for a holiday visit with members of his family. More than a quarter of a century ago he made this city his home. Then he was a law student at the University of Nebraska and commandant of the university cadets. He returned today an international figure, some of whose friends here declare they are bent on "drafting" him as a Republican presidential candidate.

### RAILROADS NOT TO BE RETURNED BEFORE APRIL 1

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Return of the railroads to their owners has been postponed by President Wilson until April 1 at the earliest, it was generally believed here today. It seemed virtually certain the lines could not possibly be handed back January 1, as Wilson had last May intended to do. Congress has passed no legislation to regulate and care for the roads when the government relinquishes its control. In addition, with the government exercising its control of the fuel supply mainly through the railroads, the President is believed to have abandoned plans for the return of the roads until the present situation clears up.

### ALL KANSAS MINERS BACK ON THEIR JOB EASTLAND COUNTY SHERIFF DENIES HE HAS QUIT OFFICE

PITTSBURG, KAN., Dec. 24.—All striking miners in the Kansas coal fields were back on the job today. When Alexander Howat, president of the Kansas United Mine Workers, returns from Indianapolis polls today, the miners involved in the strike for Howat will be down in the mines. They were ready to go back the minute word reached here of Howat's release from the Indianapolis jail. Fifteen hundred miners employed by the Central Coal and Coke Company on strike since July will have returned to work, or be preparing to do so.

### TESTIFY FOR THE DEFENSE IN TRIAL OF D. K. DETZER

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### COAL OPERATORS TO ABIDE BY DECISION

TERRE HAUTE, IND., Dec. 24.—Coal mine operators will abide by the basis of settlement reached in the coal strike by the government and miners. P. H. Penna, spokesman for the operators' organization announced today. Penna declared the plan on which the strike was settled was similar to the proposition suggested by operators in conference with union leaders, but which was turned down by the miners.

### GERMANS MUST SIGN PROTOCOL AS SUBMITTED

Discussion of Quantity of Material Required as Compensation to Come Later

### IS GENERALLY BELIEVED THE GERMANS WILL SIGN

Some Doubt Exists in Paris as to the Probable Attitude Delegates Will Take

BERLIN, Dec. 23.—The entente's answer to the recent German note requires unconditional signing of the protocol, it was understood today. The discussion of the quantity of marine materials Germany is required to deliver as compensation for the sinking of the Scapa Flow fleet is left for later consideration, it was understood. Germany will sign, it was generally believed. DOUBT AS TO ATTITUDE OF GERMAN DELEGATES. PARIS, December 24.—Considerable doubt still existed early today over the attitude of the German delegation to ward the allies' latest note, demanding Germany accept the protocol. Baron Kurt von Lersner, head of the German delegation, announced he would have to return to Berlin to consult with his government when the note was first handed him yesterday. Later he said he would remain in Paris. Von Lersner previously had said, he meant and the premature announcement he was returning to Berlin came as a thunderbolt to Paris when it was published in early editions of yesterday afternoon's papers. There was a general feeling for a time, that a rupture in the negotiations had occurred. Later, however, the newspapers were notified the Germans would remain in Paris. French official circles believed von Lersner acted purely on his own initiative in making the premature announcement. They believed the contents of the allied note so surprised him he really believed he would have to consult his government. After consulting with his colleagues, however, it was supposed the German delegates decided such a course would not be necessary.

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### CANCEL PERMIT FOR SHIPMENT OF ARMS TO MEXICO

Order is Issued From Washington to Become Effective January First.

### LICENSE WERE ISSUED BY THE WAR-TRADE BOARD

Collectors of Customs on the Border Have Been Advised of Action Taken

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Revocation, effective January 1, of all licenses issued by the war trade board prior to last September 30, for the exportation of arms or munitions of war to Mexico, was announced today by the state department. The announcement follows: "The secretary of state directs that all outstanding unused licenses issued prior to September 30, 1919, by the war trade board or the war trade board section of the department of state for the exportation to Mexico of arms or munitions of war shall be revoked effective January 1, 1920. Collectors of customs have been advised that said licenses will be of no further force or effect on or after January 1, 1920. "By virtue of the authority vested in him by the proclamation issued by the President on July 12, 1919, under section 2 of the joint resolution of congress, approved March 16, 1912, and under an act of congress approved June 16, 1917, the secretary of state prescribes that the munitions of war shall be shipped from the United States to Mexico except under the licenses of the secretary of state. All applications for licenses to export the commodities to Mexico must be filed with the department of state, on official application forms furnished by that department, from which licenses will issue. "It was stated officially at the state department that the situation regarding the exportation of arms to Mexico was not changed by the revocation. It was learned that the government intends to impose even sharper restrictions on the exportation of arms and munitions to Mexico than it has heretofore.

### MARCHNESS CREWE IS CHAIRMAN MAGISTRATES TO LORD CHANCELLOR

LONDON, Dec. 24.—The Marchness Crewe has been named chairman of Great Britain's women magistrates to the Lord Chancellor. Other members are Marchioness Londonderry, Mrs. Lloyd George, Elizabeth Haldane, Gertrude Tuckwell, Mrs. Humphrey Ward and Mrs. Sidney Webb. These women will act as a committee to advise upon appointment of women justices of the peace, made possible by recent passage of the sex disqualification removal act.

### OKLAHOMA CITY TO HAVE FAIR PRICE COMMISSIONER

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA., Dec. 24.—The appointment of a fair price commissioner for Oklahoma City and all Oklahoma communities will be considered by the federal government. Attorney General Howard E. Figg, successor to Herbert Hoover and Governor Robertson today. Figg arrived here late yesterday to spend the holidays with his parents. It is believed the fair price commission will be appointed by Figg immediately after his return to Washington.

### LEADER IN STRIKE IN CANADA IS CONVICTED ON SEDITION CHARGE

WINNIPEG, MAN., Dec. 24.—R. F. Russell, a leading spirit in the general strike here last May was found guilty today of sedition. He was the first of 12 indicted following the strike, charges being based on their acts during the trouble. Russell's trial occupied 23 days. GENERAL WOOD WILL ANNOUNCE CANDIDACY MITCHELL, S. D., Dec. 24.—Word was received at Republican district headquarters here today that Major General Leonard Wood, endorsed for president by the Republican state convention at Pierre, December 2, will file a formal announcement of his candidacy with the secretary of state before January 1. FLEET OF MOTOR TRUCKS USED FOR SANTA CLAUS KANSAS CITY, MO., Dec. 24.—A fleet of motor trucks glided over the slippery streets of Kansas City today in the role of Santa Claus. To 2200 homes of families found worthy by welfare investigators the fleet of trucks distributed Christmas dinners. A celebration for the children will be held in Convention Hall tomorrow. SMITH AND GAINOR SOLD BY RED SOX BOSTON, MASS., Dec. 24.—Outfielder Paul Smith and First Baseman Gainer of the Red Sox have been sold to the Milwaukee club of the American Association. Gainer has played with the Red Sox for five years, coming from Detroit. Smith came from the Toronto club.



### CHRISTMAS STORY INCIDENT TO LIFE IN MODERN WICHITA FALLS

A little girl, alone and lonesome, was swept from the center of the human life of Christmas shoppers and lodged against a jewelry store window, which formed part of the bank containing the hurrying stream. There she remained a long time, her feet a play of emotions, pressed against the glass and her bright eager eyes reflecting the gleam from crashing facials and shining silver within.

This is a Christmas story of Wichita Falls, a story of the first Christmas since the city became a power. It is a necessary story first, because it teaches something of our city, second, because a Christmas edition lacking a Christmas story is like an egg without salt. And having made this between-paragraph explanation, let us return to the little girl.

It is hard to describe her. Her age might have been 12, it might have been 15; for in this day and age of short skirts and strange styles, he that somehow scorns a description. Her clothes were neat, her little Cuban-heeled boots were shining, her face was a glorious blending of pink and that clear color that unimaginative writers call white.

But an air of sadness seemed to drape itself around the little figure in front of the jewelry store, and yet it kept from the swiftly murmuring human stream that flowed steadily past. Some tiny note of happiness was lacking, and there was a look of longing on the bright face that peered into the window.

A side current of laughing, joking men plucked the little girl away from the bank of the stream, and set her drifting away again on the Christmas tide. She moved slowly, the little boots apparently undecided in what direction to steer. She passed the window of a bakery, but the sight of sugared doughnuts, fruit cakes and marriage pie apparently made no impression. She was not hungry, even though she had been overlooked by the Big Brothers and the lassies of the Salvation Army.

Up and down the single block the current carried her, sweeping a second time before the window of the jewelry store. She passed again, even longer, more eagerly than before, and then, startled, the little Cuban-heeled boots headed toward the door; timidly as to the boots, but with resolution stamped solidly on the little face.

Inside the store, she walked quietly to a telephone, took down the receiver and called a number. A brief wait.

"Name, is Morton there?"

"Apparently Morton was 'there.'"

The little girl spoke several seconds, hung up the receiver and left the store, after one little pause to look once more into the window from the inside.

Again the lonesome figure was tossed slowly back and forth on the human waters. Some 20 minutes passed, and another eddy carried the girl to the edge of the curb near the street corner. A big, gray touring car was drawing in to the curb. The colored chauffeur touched his cap, and handed the little girl a packet of papers held together by a large rubber band.

"Thank you, Morton," and the little girl floated back from the curb into the stream. Faster now she was tossed along, and was suddenly swept on a wave of Christmas brokers through the door of the stock exchange, and up against the counter of the exchange office. A clerk smiled down upon her. Quickly she unsnapped the rubber band, drew two colored papers from the packet and handed them to him:

"Sell the Golconda stock at \$450," she said, crisply. "and the Kemp-Munger-Alton at \$1,200. And make it snappy, please; I haven't bought Mama's Christmas gift yet."

### WAITERS UNION TO PROVIDE GIFTS FOR CHILDREN OF CITY

Organized cooks, waiters and waitresses of Wichita Falls are entering the holidays with the true "Christmas Spirit." A Christmas tree has been erected on a vacant lot near the Central fire station and an old-fashioned Christmas celebration will be observed tonight beginning about 7:30 o'clock. F. A. H. Hoffman, business agent of the Cooks, Waiters and Waitresses' Union announced Wednesday that gifts would be distributed to all children who visited the celebration. It is planned to distribute fully 2,000 presents. The gifts will consist of various assortments of fruits and candies together with other appropriate presents.

Several county officials were presented with boxes of fine cigars Wednesday by the cooks and waiters. Among the county officials receiving gifts were the district attorney, county attorney and the sheriff's department.

### SERVICE CAR MEN MUST PAY ANNUAL CITY TAX OF \$75

An ordinance to require service car drivers in this city to pay an annual tax of \$75, was passed by the city council at a meeting Tuesday afternoon. Upon payment of the fee the drivers are issued a receipt by the city clerk, which will be nontransferable and in the case of a man operating more than one car, each car must be so licensed.

This ordinance is construed to be effective over any previous ordinances that have been issued in regard to the regulating of the operation of service cars.

The penalty for violation of the provisions of this ordinance shall be, in the case that the person so charged is found guilty, shall be fined not exceeding \$200. The fee for the operation of a service car is payable in advance on or before the first of March of each year.

The purpose of the ordinance, separate from the consideration of the additional revenue that will be derived by the city, is to eliminate the "floaters" and undesirable service cars and to furnish the city with a check upon the service car drivers by reason of the fact that all are registered and have license numbers assigned to them.

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# SPORTS

LATEST NEWS AND VIEWS OF INTEREST TO SPORT FANS

## Most Spectacular Drop Kick of the Football Season

By HENRY T. FARRELL, United Press Staff Correspondent, NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Only a few seconds were left to play. Ohio state rooters were clearing their throats to acclaim their team Western Conference champions. Ohio was leading Illinois, 7 to 6, and the game on which hung the title was as good as clinched. Fletcher, the Illinois star, dropped back of the line and before the stands had awakened to what was happening he kicked a field goal and won the game.

That perhaps was the most spectacular drop kick of the season. But it was not the only time that the toe has proved mightier than the rush. In the thirty-six major games the work of educated toes was a prominent factor in turning the tide.

Clyde King, star tackle of the navy, kicked two goals from placement and beat the army 6 to 0.

Big Jim Frispatrick, Boston College star, kicked a victory over Yale and Georgetown.

Maloney, Georgetown, booted two field goals and beat 1 navy.

Chic Harley, gridiron master of the west beat Wisconsin with a kick.

Zink, Amherst, kicked three field goals and beat Wesleyan 9 to 7.

Shiverick, Cornell, beat Williams; Strubbing, Princeton, beat Lafayette; Csanapary, Columbus, beat Amherst—all with drop kicks that turned the tide.

Frank Murray, a substitute of Princeton kicked the goal that tied the Tigers win from Yale.

Against Princeton, Jim Brazen, Yale full back, kicked two field goals and the Harvard game his toe saved the blue from being blanked.

In the same game Ralph Horween helped to build the victorious Harvard pile with a drop kick.

Bell and Hastings both kicked field goals in the Penn-Pittsburgh game that ended in a 3 to 3 tie.

As Braden saved Yale twice from the ignominy of a shut out so other skilled foot artists saved other major teams from disaster.

McQuarrie saved the army from a shut out in the game which Syracuse won, 7 to 3, and repeated in the game which Notre Dame won, 16 to 2.

Syracuse also would have blanked Pittsburgh if Hastings had not kicked a goal from placement.

Sparks, Michigan, kicked a field goal in the game which Ohio won, 18 to 2.

Barr, Chicago, kept Wisconsin from scoring them a blanking 10 to 3.

While they were not vital factors in the victories, kicks from the field figured prominently in other games.

### BENNY VALGER WINS OVER FRANKIE BRITT

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Dec. 24.—Benny Valger, French featherweight champion, easily defeated Frankie Britt of New Bedford, Mass., in a spectacular ten-round battle here last night.

### REICH AND COWLER MATCHED FOR BOUT

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—AJ Reich and Tom Cowler, heavyweights, have been matched to box eight rounds in Jersey City on Monday night.

### LARRY WILLIAMS WINS DECISION OVER TURNER

BOSTON, MASS., Dec. 24.—Larry Williams of Bridgeport was awarded the decision over Clay Turner, the Indian boxer from Minneapolis after three rounds of terrific milling here last night.

### SCHOOL GIRL DIES FROM SLEEPING SICKNESS

DIXON, ILL., Dec. 24.—Miss Ethel Frain, aged 15, Dixon high school girl, died this morning from sleeping sickness. She has slept continuously for twelve days.

### Poor Polly is Gone

ST. LOUIS.—Mrs. Blanche Pabst hasn't had a wink of sleep in a week. She's been grievous over the loss of Ferdinand, her pet polly. Ferdinand drinks coffee with her in the morning and kisses her goodnight, she said.

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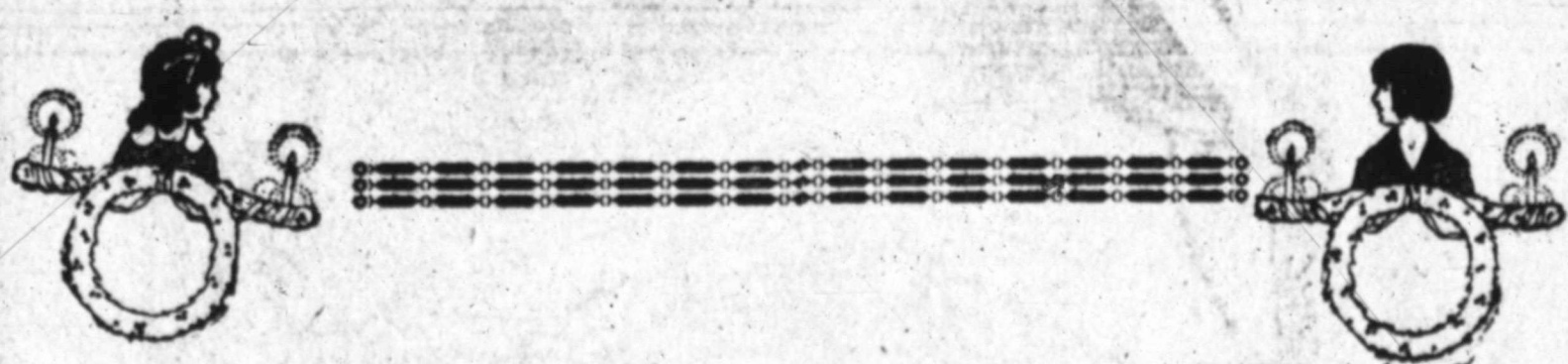
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# PREMIER'S PLAN LOUDLY PRAISED BY NORTHCLIFFE

Political Observers See a Possible Reapproachment Between British Leaders

## SCHEME PUTS IRELAND'S FATE IN IRISH HANDS

Such is Declaration of Evening Standard in Commenting on Home Rule Bill

By ED L. KEEN  
United Press Staff Correspondent.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—Some political observers today saw in the unanimously laudatory attitude assumed by the Northcliffe press toward Premier Lloyd George's Irish proposal a possible reapproachment between the great publisher and the statesman.

Both the London Times and Mail, leading Northcliffe publications were profuse in their praise of the premier's plan. Heretofore these news papers have been bitter in their attacks upon the premier, following Lord Northcliffe's break with him during the peace conference.

Evening papers yesterday continued the shower of praise which has been heaped upon the premier. Lloyd George's proposal gives the world an example of British statesmanship, while the Westminster Gazette said no American could condemn it fairly.

**Eye on America.**  
"The scheme puts Ireland's fate in Irish hands," the Evening Standard asserted, while the usually hostile Star said the premier clearly had one eye on American opinion. It compared the taxation powers with those of state legislatures in the United States, justifying the division of Ireland by the precedent in the United States in the division of Virginia and West Virginia.

"If the premier's plan falls in work," the Star asserted, "we will say to the American people, 'we've given the Irish the same powers of self-government as possessed by the states of the union and they've rejected them. It will be difficult to keep up the anti-British campaign in the United States if that happens. No doubt that was part of the calculations of that master strategist—Lloyd George.'"

**Parliament Adjourns.**  
Parliament adjourned late yesterday until February, after the Lord Chancellor had read the king's message.

King George declared relations between the allies were happy and beneficial toward all. He expressed gratitudes at the success of the Paris conference, but regret at the "unhappy position" of Russia, where he said, there was no immediate prospect of a constitutional government upon which permanent prosperity depends.

The king's statement that "the task of remedying the grave economic position of a large part of Europe" was too big for one nation was considered significant in view of the veiled appeals for aid from the United States which have been made repeatedly.

He said Great Britain would "gladly co-operate with other governments."

## OBREGON PLEDGED TO AMEND THE CARRANZA CONSTITUTION OF 1917

SAN ANTONIO, TEX., Dec. 24.—General Alvaro Obregon, candidate for the presidency of Mexico will insist that the national convention of his party, the Partido liberal constitucionista insert in the platform pledged that the Carranza Queretaro constitution of 1917 shall be amended and changed to eliminate features objectionable to foreigners and to define the exact powers of the executive and cabinet officers, including a provision that the executive may be impeached for other offenses, besides treason, notably for interference in state and municipal elections, according to advices received in this city from Obregon.

There is also some talk among Obregonistas that a new constitutional convention will be called if Obregon is elected to eliminate all objectionable features from the Queretaro constitution.

## BUTLER CANDIDATE FOR REPUBLICAN NOMINATION

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia University is a candidate for the Republican nomination for president, according to a statement issued by John R. Davis, municipal justice.

## WANTS THE ASHES OF BODY SCATTERED TO THE FOUR WINDS

FREDONIA, N. Y., Dec. 24.—Joseph Huels, 23, who murdered his sweetheart and committed suicide today left a note asking that his body be cremated and the ashes "scattered to the winds so that no one may know that such a fool as I ever lived."

Huels, a returned soldier, walked into the boarding house of Miss Eleanor Carroll, 23, and shot her dead as she sat at the breakfast table. He then shot himself. They were engaged when he went overseas three years ago. Since his return their love affair is said to have encountered obstacles and recently he received a note from her breaking their engagement and returning the ring.

The ring and note was found in his pockets. The note read: "Life is one damn thing after another. It is hell. There is nothing more to live for. God how I loved this girl. France was nothing like this. I am no longer responsible for what I do. In case of my death please have my body cremated and the ashes scattered to the winds so that no one may know that such a fool as I ever lived."

## HOUSTON REPORT ON GULF COAST WEATHER

HOUSTON, TEX., Dec. 24.—Winds on Texas coast; light to moderate northerly. Highway bulletin: automobiles leaving today will have pleasant weather, with moderate temperature. Dirt roads have been drying fast, but will be found rough and heavy in places. Impassable roads continue at Groesbeck, Hempstead to Bellville and Dovers to Beaumont.

## LONDONERS BUY AND BUY FOR CHRISTMAS

LONDON, (By Mail).—London, spending its first real peace Christmas, is trying to make up for years of depression and of "Spug" remembrances.

Faced by a fuel shortage, with hundreds of thousands out of employment and with the problem of the "new poor" crying for solutions, London has indulged this year in orgy of Christmas shopping that has the shopkeepers gasping.

There has never been such a Christmas, according to the proprietors and managers of the larger stores. Apparently there is no limit to the buying capacity of the thousands who are crowding all sorts of shops.

Though there is the usual Christmas shopping, the thing that has caused most comment is the purchase of non-essential gifts—jewelry and expensive apparel.

In one exclusive shop, it was the custom in pre-war days to carry in stock perhaps a hundred patterns of wristbags. Today the store carries from 500 to 600 styles and has no difficulty in finding buyers. Prices range up to 50 pounds—and there is demand for tortoise-shell hair sets at 100 pounds. Dressing or vanity bags range up to 240 pounds.

Some of their comments were: "Most wonderful months in the firm's history." "There is no limit to the amount customers will spend." "Our returns have more than doubled since last month."

In attempting to account for the unprecedented shopping fever, storekeepers have attributed it to everything from postwar extravagance to the increased number of overseas friendships.

November, and soon reach such proportions that shopkeepers all over the city were discussing it with wonder. Some of their comments were: "Most wonderful months in the firm's history." "There is no limit to the amount customers will spend." "Our returns have more than doubled since last month."

## PORTER LAWSON HELD ON CHARGE OF VIOLATING THE FEDERAL LIQUOR LAWS

Porter Lawson, oil field worker, was taken into custody Wednesday morning on a charge of violating the federal liquor laws. Lawson was later arraigned before United States Commissioner Lantz and his bond was fixed at \$1,500. Preliminary hearing will be held Saturday morning.

## Christmas Greetings

In appreciation of the liberal patronage of the kind people of Wichita Falls, we offer you our sincere wish for—


## A Merry Christmas

CORRECT WEAR FOR WOMEN **KIMBERLIN'S** INDIANA AVENUE AT TENTH STREET

## Christmas Greetings

We extend the season's greetings to all our patrons and friends and hope that this Christmas will be the merriest of all.

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## GREETINGS

We wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to our patrons for their hearty co-operation for the past year.

During the Holiday rush we may have made a mistake in your selection of gifts, but will be glad to rectify same.

Wishing you one and all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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## TRUNKS SUITCASES BAGS

Just the kind of gift for anyone and the kind that will not only please but the kind that will be useful and last for years.

Come in tonight because it is your last chance to pick out that gift. Stop and think if you have forgotten any friend or relative that should have been remembered on this Christmas day.

Make it the merriest of all the holidays. Just received a large assortment of fitted bags. Come in and see them while the line is complete.

## HOLIDAY SPECIAL

### 10% Discount

on all diamonds and jewelry; beaded and fancy bags. A wonderful chance to buy an appropriate gift at a saving.

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### DRAWN BACK FROM THE BORDERLAND BY PHONOGRAPH RECORD

OXFORD, N. Y., Dec. 24.—Drawn back from the borderland of eternity by the haunting strains of a melody she loved, Mrs. Fred Tracey, 43, whose last night from a sleep that had lasted eighty days. A phonograph record played her where the human voice had failed. She is the mother of ten children.

Retiring for the night on the evening of October 2, Mrs. Tracey has several from her bed. Efforts to wake her were futile. Her eyes were closed, her senses apparently paralyzed. She breathed but irregularly. Her pulse ebbed and strengthened with the hours, sometimes seeming to stop.

Dr. A. R. Morse, the family physician, was called within 24 hours. He recognized the symptoms of the rare disease. He could not rouse her but fed her through a silver tube. She lost weight steadily.

A phonograph was placed at her bedside last night and a lazy tune was started. With the first few bars the patient stirred. Her muscles twitched, her hands opened and closed, she appeared to try to sit up. The machine played on and presently in a faint whisper, she spoke.

"What was it?" she asked, "what was that?"

The spell was broken and consciousness returned.

### SEARCH TO DETERMINE WHETHER BODY HELD IS THAT OF BILLY DANCEY

HAMMONTON, N. J., Dec. 24.—Search is being made today of all New Jersey medical institutions to determine whether the body held in the county morgue as that of Billy Dansey, the "perfect baby," is really the body of an unknown child taken surreptitiously from one of these institutions.

The search is being made under direction of Prosecutor Gaskill as the result of information contained in a letter received by Prosecutor Gaskill.

The letter says Billy Dansey had been kidnapped and that the body found in Folsom swamp had been taken from the state medical college of New Jersey by a physician.

The information contained in the letter may be of importance, the prosecutors say, "On the other hand, it may be of the greatest importance."

In their home on the outskirts of Hammonton, Mr. and Mrs. Hercules Dansey waiting to see whether the premise contained on a postcard they received recently that their missing son would be returned safe and alive today would be fulfilled.

### CHRISTMAS AT THE CAPITAL OF NATION

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Candy, cigarettes, cigars, nuts and fruits held away as Christmas celebration materials today as never before.

This was the first time that government officials and "experts" as due to failure of "wet" forces to revive John Barleycorn, who it has been fervently hoped, would be able to take his old time part in Yuletide festivities.

Despite the fact that the public is putting all its spare coin in unbecomingly luxuriant, it has not forgot the unfortunates. In this city there is more than ever being done for the poor, especially for the children. That this is true in most other cities is upheld by the statement from the dead letter office of the postoffice, that fewer letters have been received for Santa Claus this year from the poor children.

With the country's executives this Christmas will be more of a celebration than for some years, although a number of the cabinet members will stay in Washington to take care of press of duties.

At the White House, a more cheerful Christmas is expected than Thanksgiving was. The president will be more able to eat his turkey if it is believed, and South Trimble, clerk of the House of Representatives followed his custom of years and sent a bumper turkey to the president from his southern farm.

Secretary Daniels will stay in Washington and make a big time of the return of his sons, the first in two years.

Secretary of the Treasury Glass likely will spend the holiday at his home in Lynchburg, Va.

Because of the serious illness of his wife, Secretary of Labor Wilson will spend a quiet day at his home in Washington, instead of returning to visit his people in Pennsylvania.

The postoffice department has been ready for a long time, with an augmented corps of carriers and clerks, to take care of what was the largest Christmas mail rush in years.

### SIXTEENTH STREET IS BEING REPAIRED

City workmen were busy Wednesday repairing the block on Sixteenth street, between Lamar and Travis. Recent rains have left this block in almost impassable condition but it is reported that the street will be entirely repaired within a short time. Several loads of gravel were thrown upon the street and the mud-holes filled.

### Too Much Water. ORANGE, TEX.—Heavy rainfall causing high water, closed saw mills and shut down the paper mill.

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Adults 25c—Children 25c

### QUIET CHRISTMAS DAY. PLAN FOR WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Christmas day at the White House will be a quiet one.

Owing to President Wilson's illness his grandchildren will not come to Washington and consequently there will be no Christmas tree. The White House, however, will be decorated as usual. Mrs. Wilson today directing the placing of poinsettias, holly, mistletoe and evergreen.

The President will eat his Christmas dinner in his room. It will be served by Mrs. Wilson. Rear Admiral Grayson, the President's physician, will spend most of the day at home with his family and there will be virtually no restrictions in the menu to be prepared for Mr. Wilson. The President will spend some time out of doors in his wheel chair.

Tomorrow morning Mrs. Wilson will distribute presents to friends of the family and to children who live on the countryside along the route to the country club in nearby Virginia, where the President has played golf since he has been in the White House.

Hundreds of presents and cards have been received at the White House, a large number being delivered today.

### WETS ARE WORKING TO KEEP BOOZE ON SHIPS

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 24.—Wets here today were working hard to get a favorable ruling on the question whether liquor may be sold on vessels controlled by the United States Shipping Board. If the board rules in favor of the wets, other American ship owners are expected to do likewise.

Chairman Payne of the board is expected to limit his decision to what may be done within the three that liquor can not be sold within three miles of the shore. New laws might have to be passed to require American ships not to traffic in intoxicants when outside United States waters.

### CONFERENCE TO BE OF GREAT IMPORTANCE TO LATIN-AMERICA

MEXICO CITY, Tuesday, Dec. 23.—Consideration of vital financial problems resulting from the world war during the second pan-American financial conference at Washington in January would make the conference of enormous importance to Latin-America, said Luis Cabrera, secretary of the treasury today.

Announcement was made of the personnel of the Mexican delegation which will go to Washington. Ignacio Bonillas, Mexican ambassador at Washington, will represent the Mexican treasury and will act as president of the delegation, while Salvador Urbina, head of the treasury department's legal bureau, will act as secretary. The other members are: E. M. Sobral, head of the treasury department's credit bureau; B. Carvajal, head of the labor bureau of the department of industry and commerce; J. Rosas, financial expert; Julio Posalot, J. Centeno, representing the department of communications, and Francisco Valdes, director of the mint.

### TIMES REMEMBERED BY CITY NATIONAL BANK

The Times editorial office and composing room had a morning of pre-Christmas cheer Wednesday, as the result of a visit from Santa Claus, presided by the City National Bank, with fine cigars and fine candy as the gifts.

### WICHITA GUN CLUB TO HAVE SHOOT THURSDAY

The Wichita Gun Club will hold a Christmas day shoot at its grounds Thursday morning at nine o'clock. Visitors are invited.

### GOING TO BE A COLD CHRISTMAS IN EAST

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—It's going to be cold Christmas, but according to present indications Santa Claus for the most part will have to worry along with the snow now on the ground, the weather bureau said.

Occasional flurries of snow are looked for in the Great Lakes region and in the middle Atlantic states today, so Christmas Eve will be white there.

Sharp drops in the temperature Christmas morning are predicted in New England and the middle Atlantic states. Slightly colder weather should prevail in the Ohio valley and Tennessee. Conditions in the south Atlantic and east Gulf regions will remain practically unchanged, the weather man said.

Normal temperatures will continue in the great central valleys and over all the country from the eastern slopes of the Rockies to the Pacific.

### TREATY COMPROMISE WAITS ON HOLIDAYS

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 24.—Progress toward a treaty compromise in the senate was halted today while senators hurried home for Christmas. Negotiations will be resumed next week.

Senator Hitchcock today said he expects Republican reservationists will force Senator Lodge and other extremists to accept a compromise which will then be submitted to Democratic senators. Hitchcock's view is that the Republicans want the initiative so that they will not be in the

### PAINTERS UNION ELECTS OFFICERS TUESDAY NIGHT

C. D. Owens was re-elected president of Local Union No. 393, Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators and Paperhangers of America, at the regular meeting held at the Labor Temple Tuesday night. Other officers elected were: A. D. Brown, vice president; G. W. Lobaugh, financial secretary, re-elected; Jack Frather, business agent, re-elected; G. L. Green, treasurer, re-elected.

Ballots were also taken on national officers. The vote was forwarded to national headquarters.

### BOLSHEVIKI TAKE 300 MEN, 15 GUNS AND 1000 HORSES

LONDON, Dec. 24.—The Bolsheviks captured fifteen guns, 1900 horses and 350 men after defeating the forces of General Mansouroff and General Chelnokoff in the region of Staronienak, according to a wireless dispatch received from Moscow today. The dispatch adds: "More than a thousand Cossacks were killed including General Chelnokoff."

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Matinee Prices: 30c and 55c, war tax included.  
Children half price at matinee.

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In this season of glad tidings and good cheer, permit me to express to my friends and customers my appreciation for the many favors extended during 1919.

Our people have been blessed in many ways. Our population has materially increased and our city has advanced with the times.

Let us look to the future and take advantage of the opportunities presented during the remaining days of 1919.

My wish to all is "A Merry Christmas and prosperous 1920."

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The Picture: **TOM MIX in "THE FEUD"**  
**THE APPLES—A BARRELL FULL**  
**THE PECANS—SEVERAL TUBS FULL**

Every boy and girl under eighteen years of age are invited to come and see this western picture of Tom Mix in the "Feud" and eat apples and pecans at no cost whatever to them. The manager has secured extra ushers in order that your children will be cared for in the best way possible.

**TO ALL OVER EIGHTEEN**

The Empress wishes to thank you for your patronage for the past year and wishes you a merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous new year.

We wish a Merry Christmas to all our friends and customers. We thank them for a prosperous year's business, and appreciate in full measure the confidence evidenced by their support.

May the new year bless you with wealth, happiness and prosperity.

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THE WICHITA DAILY TIMES

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CHRISTMAS 1919.

Tomorrow commemorates the anniversary of the birth of the Man who came not to judge the world, but to save it and Who gave His life that the world might be saved.

Representative Johnson's suggestion of altering our naturalization laws to allow for probationary citizenship seems to us one of the best that has been made for the improvement of our immigration methods.

There is the satisfaction of knowing that the "red" citizenship of this country is appreciably reduced by the departure of the "good ship" Buford, styled the "soviet ark."

Just Folks by Edgar A. Guest

CHRISTMAS, 1919. Shall ever a star shine out to men As the Bethlehem Star of old?

Side Talks by Ruth Cameron

THE DIAPASON OF CHRISTMAS. Did you ever walk through a Christmas crowd and deliberately let yourself overhear the things that people are saying to each other?

HEADLINE HISTORY OF THE WORLD WAR

Russians repulse German attacks before Warsaw. Allies resist German advance from Alasce to the Sea. First German air raid on England.

Swiss Federal Council indorses President Wilson's peace note, expressing readiness to join World League. France generally declines note.

Alfies decide not to send vast military expedition to Russia. Count von Brockdorff, new German Foreign Minister, supports League of Nations.

ST. JOSEPH, MO., Dec. 24.—Hugh J. Tarwater, superintendent of the Home Telephone Company at Gallatin, Mo., was in jail here today charged with the murder of Wesley Robertson, editor of the Gallatin Democrat.

There was an ancient man named Job, his fame extended round the globe, and still the books his merits tell.

YOU KNOW HOW IT IS By J. Norman Lynd



WELDING. Why buy new parts? The Imperial Welding Co. can make the old ones good as new.

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Wichita Falls Lodge No. 638. A. A. M. Stated meetings first and third Friday nights in each month.

Wichita Falls Lodge No. 25. Meets first and third Tuesday nights in each month.

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ATTORNEYS. ROBERT E. HUFF, Attorney-at-Law, Room 107, First National Bank Building. E. N. GIBSON, Attorney-at-Law, Room 107, First National Bank Building.

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NINE PERISH IN A CONNECTICUT HOSPITAL FIRE

Farm Cottage for Insane Having 53 Patients is Destroyed Tuesday Night

MIDDLETON, CONN., Dec. 24.—Nine of the 53 patients who occupied a farm cottage at the Connecticut Hospital for the Insane were believed to have perished in the fire which destroyed the building last night.

That number of occupants were missing and R. R. Leek, assistant superintendent, said they were not of the type which would run away. The rains will be searched today for their bodies soon as the debris is sufficiently cooled, perhaps within a few hours.

The loss is estimated at \$25,000 to \$30,000.

The fire was discovered about 7:30 and is supposed to have been caused by an overheated furnace.

The patients who are believed to have lost their lives in last night's fire were known as "trusties" and were allowed more or less liberty. Most of them were in bed. The one patient who was present discovered the fire under the floor. He notified the main hospital a considerable distance away, but before help arrived the fire had gained great headway.

The chief attendant and his wife were shopping when the fire occurred. The patients who lost their lives were on the second floor and it is believed were quickly overcome by the smoke as they lay in bed.

CONTINUE EFFORT TO PROVE INSANITY IN THE NEW CASE

LOS ANGELES, CAL., Dec. 24.—Eccentricities attributed to Harry S. New on trial for the murder of Freda Lesser were many, according to depositions which had been introduced today by the defense in an attempt to show New insane.

New is said to have carried live rattlesnakes with him and never lost an opportunity to toy with poisonous insects. Captain Paul W. Fleischman, under whom New served on the border, declared.

Fleischman said New was exceedingly "quick" on the draw, resorting to a gun at the slightest provocation though he never saw New shoot.

Fleischman said he had seen him draw his gun on a Mexican without cause. Colonel Robert T. Yrandon of the Frontier Division, now treasurer of the National American Legion, was also New's superior officer on the border.

He said he took a particular interest in New because of his warm friendship for United States Senator Harry S. New of Indiana who is said to be Harry New's father.

He said New was very peculiar. An effort to establish a family history of insanity was made when records of the Central Indiana hospital for the insane were introduced showing that a sister of New's mother, Sarah E. Keller and New's grandfather, on his mother's side Edward D. Schudler, had both been inmates of the asylum.

BILL YOPP HOLDING HIS ANNUAL REUNION

ATLANTA, GA., Dec. 24.—Bill Yopp, former slave, held his annual reunion at the soldiers' home here today with the old warriors of the Confederacy, and Bill, as usual, brought along a little gift for each of them.

The aged negro has been providing gifts for years, partly with his own money and partly from dimes collected around his home near Macon where he has become known as "Ten Cent Bill." Last summer the Georgia legislature in making appropriations for 1920 provided a special fund to carry on Bill's work and as this fund probably is the last time the old warriors will play Santa Claus at the home, Governor Dorsey and other state officials arranged to be present.

Bill started his custom of brightening Christmas for the old soldiers when he returned to Georgia 10 years ago and found that his old master, Captain Thomas M. Yopp, was an inmate of the home.

Bill has been all over the world, he says, starting out as a sailor shortly after the war and working as a dining car chef and then in private homes of the north. He talks of strange eastern ports and of great cities he has seen, but most of all he likes to tell of what a soldier his "ole master" was.

Captain Yopp, whose 82 years have planned him almost helpless, do his best, tells a story, too, of Christmas. It is of how Bill, then his 15 year old boy servant, rescued him wounded from the battlefield and nursed him back to strength.

CONCENTRATE WAR ON WASTEFUL BUYING ON CHRISTMAS DINNER

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—The women's war on wasteful buying was concentrated today on the Christmas dinner.

The women's division of the price commission urged housewives to refrain from purchasing turkeys at 55 to 60 cents a pound, when chickens, ducks and geese could be bought at from 25 to 40 cents.

The women were encouraged in their efforts by the drop of 13 cents a dozen in egg prices the first week of the campaign.

Wide circulation was given today to general orders for the campaign. The following: Go to market instead of telephoning. Ask the price before buying. Buy cheaper grades. Don't hesitate to say "I can afford it, but I won't pay the price."

Don't waste gas, cook everything in the oven. Buy in quantity where cheaper. Don't buy in packages, in bulk is cheaper.

INVESTIGATION MAY BE THE RESULT OF QUARREL IN NAVY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—A congressional investigation, it is indicated today, might result from the controversy between Admiral Sims and Secretary Daniels over the awards of distinguished service medals in the navy.

The report of the awards of the decorations has been transmitted to the senate naval committee by Secretary Daniels at the request of Chairman Page, Representative Lufkin, Republican, Massachusetts, member of the house naval committee, said he would ask the house to call for a similar report.

CONTROVERSY WILL BE FOUGHT TO A FINISH

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The controversy over alleged refusal by Secretary Daniels to carry out the recommendations of Admiral William Sims in awarding naval war decorations will be fought to a finish, it was evident today.

Daniels said today he was determined not to act as a "rubber stamp" in the decoration of the naval men.

Sims has support in the stand he has taken from many officers of the navy department. Sims who is now president of the naval war college, Newport, probably will be called before the naval affairs committee soon.

Thorough inquiry was advocated today by Senator Poindexter, Washington, a member of the naval affairs committee.

"My personal view," said Poindexter, "is that the committee should call Daniels, the board that made the original recommendations and any other persons who could throw light on the subject."

Poindexter said the letter Senator Page wrote Daniels asking for all the facts was the result of suggestions made to Page by committee members.

TWO AMERICAN SAILORS HAVE BEEN RELEASED

Investigation of the Affair is Being Made According to Reports

By RALPH H. TURNER (United Press Staff Correspondent.) MEXICO CITY, Dec. 23. (night)—The Two American sailors arrested at Mazatlan on charges of assault, which resulted in a demand from the United States for their release have been given their liberty, it was officially announced today.

An investigation of the affair is continuing, however, it was said.

According to one report the sailors were armed when they came ashore. Other reports said they were intoxicated. A complaint to the American state department is being prepared that United States warships off Tampico are disturbing that region with their target practice it was learned tonight.

SEVEN THOUSAND PLAYS IMPORTANT PART IN NEW YORK CHRISTMAS

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Seven thousand and Christmas presents. Seven thousand uninvited children.

One riot. Six precincts called on to send police reserves to restore order.

That is the story of the Christmas festival arranged by the People's Liberty Chorus and the police department.

Many children, including several cripples, were knocked down and trampled upon in the wild scramble for presents.

Dolls, candy and other presents were snatched by eager youngsters only to be renatched by others more eager. It was give and take—mostly take.

GARMENT WORKERS IN CHICAGO GET INCREASE

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Wage increase averaging \$5 weekly have been granted the approximately 25,000 men's garment workers in Chicago, it became known today. About \$2.50 was added to the production of a suit of clothes, employers estimated, although the union men claimed that the cost to the wearer should not be increased over what it would have been inasmuch as the increases were figured into prices set last fall for next summer's clothes.

The increase is retroactive to December 15, and the new scale runs until June.

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### DR. KNICKERBOCKER PLANNING FOR NEW CHURCH BUILDING

STRUCTURE IN MIND WILL CALL FOR AN EXPENDITURE OF \$350,000.

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The Rev. H. D. Knickerbocker, pastor of the First Methodist Church, South, has dreamed a dream; and his parishioners are hopeful that his dream, a vision of a new, and more beautiful, more useful church, will be realized.

Mr. Knickerbocker calls for the expenditure of \$350,000 for the construction of an edifice that will be not merely the home of the First Methodist church, but, in addition, a source of pride to the city.

"I have been a pastor in downtown churches for a quarter of a century," the Methodist minister said this morning, "and I know that such a church as I am about to picture must possess the first necessity of a great and very attractive plan."

"I dream of a church building with an auditorium that will seat at least 2,000 people, with the arrangement more in theater than in cathedral style. For a church with good acoustics is rare."

"There shall be a great pipe organ, with echo organs in the ceiling, chimes and all that goes to make an organ great—and there shall be a lighting system connected with the keys of the organ, making possible rainbows and symphonies of light and music. This is a practical idea that I saw demonstrated last year in California."

"My dream would expect to make this church such a civic improvement that the entire city would be proud; it, too, shall be a source of pride to the city, and it would give Wichita Falls the finest auditorium in Texas, open to everything that is innocent and good and aimed to build up the church building with the approval of business men when we began our building fund campaign. We do not expect, however, to begin building immediately; it would be had business and social policy, while labor conditions are congested and many families are homeless. But we will start our money campaign, I believe, late this winter or early in the spring."

Dr. Knickerbocker believes the proposed church should be constructed in two units, each to contain the Sunday school, the other the church proper and auditorium, and the units connected by arched passageways. He would have the Sunday school unit four stories and basement, with one story given over to each department, and with a gymnasium and swimming pool for the children. It is hoped that several memorial features in connection with the church will be realized, thereby helping to keep down the total expense of construction and furnishing. No location as yet has been selected, but a site as near downtown as possible on one of the principal streets is being sought.

The dream of Dr. Knickerbocker, it is understood, has the support of his parishioners, who believe their pastor is the man to make it come true. Dr. Knickerbocker has been unusually successful in this respect; he built the First Methodist church in Dallas, also the splendid church in Fort Worth, and paid off entire debt on the First Methodist church in Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. V. H. Robinson and two daughters of this city are spending the holidays at Palmer, Texas, visiting friends and relatives.

J. L. Milligan, who was struck and knocked down by an automobile while crossing Tenth street last Thursday night is able to walk about with the assistance of a cane.

### HARRELL IS NAMED AS ACTING FEDERAL DISTRICT ATTORNEY

FORT WORTH, Dec. 24.—W. B. Harrell, now assistant United States attorney for the northern district of Texas, was named acting attorney today to succeed J. C. Adams of Dallas, resigned. Harrell will serve until a permanent successor is appointed.

Mr. Harrell has the endorsement of many friends here including a majority of the members of the local bar for appointment as federal attorney and it is believed here that his name will be recommended to President Wilson for the place.

Mr. Harrell has been assistant to the district attorney for several years and has had a prominent part in many of the more important cases in the Northern District of Texas.

### RAISE FUND TO HOLD THE SHONTS APARTMENT

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Geo. W. Files, attorney for Mrs. Millard Shonts, said today that her friends had raised the \$14,677 necessary to prevent her being evicted from her apartment for non-payment of rent.

Although Theodore P. Shonts, president of the Interborough Rapid Transit Co. left an estate estimated at \$500,000 the attorney said that the widow must depend upon the charity of her friends until the will is settled.

Mrs. Shonts received through the will a \$100,000 "debt" acknowledged by her husband and \$5,000 life insurance but payment of these has been held up pending her suit to declare the documents void. Shonts left the bulk of his estate to Mrs. Amanda C. Thomas, a friend.

### SANTA CLAUS COMING DOWN CHIMNEY AT THE FLORAL HEIGHTS CHURCH

The Floral Heights Baptist church will give an old-fashioned Christmas tree entertainment tonight with Santa Claus coming right down the chimney.

All the orderly public is invited. A committee will be at the church to receive gifts for distribution from the tree up until 7:00 o'clock.

A brief program will be given at 7:30. The program will consist of scriptures, reading, a short prayer, Christmas carols by the children and the Bethlehem story and chimes by Miss Annabelle Farquhar.

### APPERSON SALES COMPANY DISPLAYS CHRISTMAS TREE

So stated are Messrs. Reese and Wilson, of the Apperson Sales Co., over the receipt of two carloads of Apperson cars coming at the gay Yuletide that they have decorated a Christmas tree and put it in their window, symbolizing their feelings. The tree is a young cedar, plentifully decorated with electrically lighted candles and tinsel.

### MEMBER OF CONGRESS FROM VIRGINIA DIES

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 24.—Representative W. A. Wilson, of Virginia, died at the Episcopal hospital here today.

### BILLIARD CHAMPION OF ENGLAND IS DEAD

LONDON, Dec. 23.—(Via Montreal)—John Roberts, 72 years old, former English billiard champion, is dead here.

### REMEMBERS TIMES FORCE WITH A BOX OF CIGARS

Members of the Times force were remembered by N. O. Monroe Wednesday with a box of fine cigars.

Santa Claus called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Sessums, 1401 Bluff street Tuesday night and left them a fine baby daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. John Dobbs and infant daughter are spending a few days in Seymour visiting friends.

### CHRISTMAS BUSINESS EXCEEDS ANY RECORD IN HISTORY OF CITY

To him that hath shall be given, and from him that hath not shall be taken away even that which he hath. This is the principle that the shops and shoppers of Wichita Falls have successfully negotiated the high hurdles of Christmas buying in 1919. To the "hath" that had, the shops cheerfully gave up the best they contained, while he who had not made the most of his limited means and bought what he could.

More than a million dollars worth of business was transacted during the last two weeks over the counters of stores in this city. The tremendous demand is indicative of a general prosperity greater here than ever before in the city's history. There is not a store in Wichita Falls that did not profit to a greater or lesser extent from the eager generosity of Christmas shoppers.

All down the alphabetical line, gifts were bought and sold—automobiles, bags, bicycles, books, candy, cameras, corsets, draperies and dress goods, electric novelties, feathers, flowers, furniture, gloves and gawawars, hosiery and house furnishings, and so on, until the shelves of the stores were almost exhausted of articles for which the demand had been heavy. The children were remembered as never before, or are there so many thousands more of the youngsters here this year?, and toys sold almost by wholesale.

The jewelry stores turned away customers, unable to wait upon them because of the rush. Frequently employees were unable to leave for lunch until late in the afternoon, owing to the crush of buyers during the noon hour. Many shoppers who did their buying late last week or early this week found that no engraving on silverware could be done until after Christmas—so many scores of pieces already had been piled before the engravers.

Leather goods, linens, lindeums, mattresses and musical instruments, paintings and phonographs, real estate and rifles, silks, satins and shoes and plates, toilet articles, toys, trunks—the list runs on and on without end. The buyers got what they wanted, or perforce, took something else; and stores continued the daily financial "clean-up." Wichita Falls never witnessed such a volume of Christmas shopping. The store proprietors themselves do not know as yet to what degree they have profited, for it was impossible to check up from day to day. They admit the demand was greater than the supply; that a "bumper crop" was harvested, and let it go at that.

### SUCCESS TO Y. W. C. A.

Oh men, oh men, stronger of the two, how great you are, when you are true. So girls cheer up for God had prevailed, through man to stand by in this great command. Girls don't think too much of men, but more of that Holy King. And best of all stand close to Mother and then you will never fail. Big sum of money have I none, But that can't keep my good spirit down. So by hard strive, I will give five, Could it only be five hundred more, How sound then would I love to score. Aloue I wrote this in my home sweet home, But some sweet day we all will gain a far greater home— Poet forgive if I erred, Must give vent to that voice unheard— Men, women and children, let us all give to this worthy cause. As it will protect us girls from the worldly faults. Eugenia Staber, "One of the Girls."

### MURINE After the Movies

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### SALVATION ARMY IS SANTA CLAUS TODAY TO MANY FAMILIES

More than one hundred "Christmas dinners" were distributed by the Salvation Army Wednesday to the poor of Wichita Falls. The dinners consisting of meat, flour, fruit and other articles of food were placed in sacks and distributed to the poor from Salvation Army headquarters on Seventh street.

The Salvation Army hall on Seventh street will be the scene of a big Christmas celebration Thursday night. A large evergreen has already been placed in the building and everything is being placed in readiness for the occasion. Salvation Army officials announced Wednesday that gifts would be handed out to all children who visited the celebration. Fully five hundred toys of various designs together with a large quantity of fruit and other Christmas articles have been received.

A musical program has been arranged for the occasion.

### TWO WOMEN ARE DEAD FROM INHALING FUMES FROM A GAS LEAK

BURLINGTON, VT., Dec. 24.—Two women are dead, seven persons are believed to be dying and many others are in a serious condition from gas fumes which penetrated their homes from a leak in a gas main today. The dead are: Mrs. Harrington and Mrs. George Raymond.

### WANT RESTRICTIONS ON PASSPORTS REMOVED

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—The Pan-American Consular Association, meeting here today, recommended to the United States and South American governments that restrictions requiring commercial travelers and tourists to have passports to visit South America be abolished.

### POLICEMAN ARRESTED FOR ACCEPTING BRIBE

CHICAGO, ILL., Dec. 24.—John Somorowski, a district chief internal revenue agent here was arrested by officials of the department today charged with accepting bribes in connection with the enforcement of prohibition laws. The specific charge against Somorowski was that he accepted \$250 from a saloon keeper in return for allowing him to sell liquor.

### SITUATION IN EGYPT GENERALLY IMPROVED

CAIRO, EGYPT, Saturday, Dec. 20.—The situation here is generally improved following the recent disturbances in which several persons were killed and other injured. Demonstrations are ceasing and the students who were accused of fomenting much of the trouble, are returning to the schools.

### MARINES INJURED IN MOTOR TRUCK COLLISION

ROME, Dec. 23.—A military motor truck carrying American marines crashed into a lamp post at Trieste today, dispatches reported, several marines were injured, and one of them sustained fractured skull.

### FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH TO CELEBRATE WITH TREE

A Santa Claus and a Christmas Tree with an old-fashioned celebration will

mark the observance of Christmas Eve tonight by the First Christian Sunday school. Each department of the Sunday school will take active part in the program, and there will be

gifts from the Sunday school to the pupils, in the old-fashioned way. Each one attending will receive a Christmas stocking filled with candies, nuts and fruits.

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POOL HALL FOLLOW THE S

Pool hall other towns Tuesday after word from Justice McCourt had had. Pool together with were closed for action of Fort Worth. It was an attorney's office would be proprietors was receive Reynolds' Waggoner C. Tuesday afternoon

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### POOL HALLS REOPEN FOLLOWING ACTION OF THE SUPREME COURT

Pool halls in Wichita Falls and other towns of Wichita county opened Tuesday afternoon upon receipt from word from Washington that Associate Justice McReynolds of the supreme court had granted a stay of execution. Pool halls in Wichita Falls together with those of old field towns were closed several days ago following action of three federal judges at Fort Worth.

It was announced at the county attorney's office Wednesday that no action would be taken against pool hall proprietors until definite information was received regarding Justice McReynolds' decision. Pool halls at Waggoner City, Burk Burnett and other towns of Wichita county opened Tuesday afternoon.

### CHRISTMAS PROGRAM AT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

There will be a Christmas program, including a Christmas tree for the younger folks, at the First Presbyterian church tonight, at 7:00 o'clock. Under the direction of Dale Haven, assisted by the leaders of the different departments of the Sunday school, a most interesting program has been arranged. One of the features of the evening, will be the famous "Humoresque" of Dvorak, sung as a duet; another feature is a chime song, sung by a group of girls, playing their own chime accompaniment. The program in its entirety follows:

- Song by the Sunday school.
- Welcome Address—Otto Stehlik, Jr.
- Prayer—Ray Grafton.
- Song, "Silent Night"—Primary Department.
- Christmas Story—Billy Meadows.
- "Christmas at Grandpa's"—Charlotte Robinson.
- Song: "Underneath the Stars"—Katherine Weeks.
- "Down at Grandpa's"—Mildred Robinson.
- Song: "Twinkle, Twinkle"—Primary Department.
- Recitation—Wiley Culbertson.
- "For Father"—Audrey Kemp.
- "Unto You a Child is Born"—Junior Girls.
- "Christmas in the Heart"—Willard Stehlik.
- "In a Manger So Low"—Winnie Summers.
- "Before the Falling Stars"—Melba With Stehlik.
- "All the Year Round"—Elizabeth Cooper.
- Song: "Christmas"—Junior Department.
- Reading—Katherine Hughes.
- Duet: "Christmas Starlight"—Anabel Cooper and Elizabeth Carrigan.
- Reading—"Elizabeth, Cardinal"—Intermediate Girls.
- Song—"Chime for Christmas"—Intermediate Girls.
- Distribution of presents.
- Benediction.

### DRUNKS FEATURE CITY COURT THIS MORNING

A good many Wichita Falls people are doing their best to get out of their annual Christmas drunk, according to the number of cases of intoxication booked in police court Wednesday morning. The "joy juice" in these cases was of varied description from Jamaica ginger, beef iron and wine to hard cider and gasoline. "Old Crow," Assistant Police Commissioner Goodfellow questioned the drunks very closely in order to find the source of the intoxicants and it is understood evidence was secured which will undoubtedly lead to several arrests. Most of the men arrested had sufficient money to pay their fines and went on their way relieved of most everything but the hangover.

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### MEXICAN FEMINIST COUNCIL IS PROTESTING INTERVENTION BY THE CHILDHOOD CONSERVATION LEAGUE

MEXICO CITY, Tuesday, Dec. 23.—Resolutions of protest against "protected philanthropic intervention in Mexican affairs by the recent reformed childhood conservation league of the United States" were passed at a meeting of the Mexican feminist council today. The league, which it is said, proposed, with the financial backing of "one of the largest and best known magnates of the United States," a sum of two million to four million dollars annually on charitable propaganda in Mexico, is said to be "a far-sighted scheme to bring about ultimate intervention in Mexican affairs."

Signora Elina Torres, general secretary of the feminist council, today gave the following statement to the Associated Press: "Mexican women hold Mexico itself to be able to judge its own needs and to find a way to satisfy them in due time. Outside aid, however well meant, is entirely uninvited."

"Those desiring to spend money to relieve temporary straits in Mexico find means through Mexican institutions already organized for that purpose. Above all, before seeking external objects of charity, these benevolently inclined United States desirous of relieving suffering had best take care of those 3,000,000 to 4,000,000 children which the 1919 report of the children's bureau at Washington are dying annually in the United States from hunger and malnutrition."

The Mexican feminist council also holds that aside from the gratuitous

nature of the proposed philanthropic intervention there is underlying a more sinister motive than the projected foundation of hospitals, churches, asylums and schools in every Mexican state as is revealed by the fact that those persons finally supporting the movement are the same individuals who have agitated most insistently for intervention and curtailment of Mexican liberties. Financiers heading the list of patrons of the so-called childhood conservation league are those bankers, oil barons, philanthropists and notable men who figure most prominently in societies and associations for the protection of American rights in Mexico.

"Agnes C. Laut, secretary of the new charitable organization, but better known as a confidential secre-

tary to financial magnates than an organizer of benevolent institutions, works purely in the interests of her employers while making a recent trip through Mexico. It is frankly stated the league's objects are the establishment within 10 or 15 years of strongholds of sympathy for the United States in the minds of the beneficiaries of this enterprise who would be impregnated with new culture and new patriotism which would train them to acceptance rather than revolt against possible armed intervention in Mexico. Examples of such propaganda in China and Turkey, where financiers, philanthropists and missionaries combine to subvert the minds and understanding of innocent children, are too well known to necessitate proof. The effect upon the minds of the unsuspecting masses of such an annual expenditure of money in Mexico by the United States would forward the sinister purposes of the interventionists who thus could convince those people that Mexico was unable to solve her own problems and care for her own citizens without outside assistance.

"The Mexican feminist council calls upon every Mexican citizen, man and woman, to resist this overt at-

tack upon national self-respect and dignity and to find some means themselves of solving pressing problems of national reconstruction.

### KEMP PUBLIC LIBRARY TO CLOSE THURSDAY

On account of the day being Christmas, the Kemp Public Library will be closed all day Thursday.

W. H. Boling of the Monday Times was a visitor in Wichita Falls Tuesday evening.

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# MEXICO IS MUCH INTERESTED IN POLITICS IN UNITED STATES; AFFECTS RELATIONS OF THE TWO

(Editor's Note: Following is the third of a series of stories on the Mexican situation obtained by a correspondent who was sent into Mexico to obtain first hand information. He is the first American newspaperman to return from Mexico City since the Jenkins crisis.)

By S. I. FRKED.  
United Press Staff Correspondent.  
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LAREDO, TEX., Dec. 24.—Mexico is fully as interested in the national politics of the United States as are the Americans themselves. This is due to the general belief in that country that the next general elections here will have an important effect in the relations between nations. In his recent diplomatic intercourse with the United States the Carranza government has assumed that a Republican congress would not help President Wilson any too freely and at the same time, that Wilson would not "play into the Republican hands" on any phase of the Mexican situation. For this reason the complexion for the next American congress and the result of presidential booms are absorbing the interest of Mexican leaders. They are eager to obtain the opinion of Americans in Mexico as to who will be the next President. They show a particular interest in General Wood. It may be taken for granted that the attitude of every presidential candidate toward Mexico is being carefully investigated by President Carranza.

**Believes Worm Will Turn.**  
As for the average American in Mexico—he is quite frank in his belief that "the worm will turn" under the next administration in Washington.

At present there is a very noticeable lack of faith in each other's attitude on matters affecting the two countries, according to well informed persons. It is pointed out that the notes on the Jenkins and Wallace cases failed to develop a common basis upon which a settlement could be reached. Neither country, it is contended, affords full faith in the other's evidence.

For instance in the Wallace case Mexican officials are satisfied with the testimony of their own citizens that the American provoked the fatal attack upon him by riding his mule over a machine gun squad. The American investigation, however, developed that a Carrancista soldier kicked Wallace's mule causing the animal to shy into the squad. After shooting Wallace the Mexican soldiers poured liquor over his body to make it appear that he was drunk. American friends of Wallace testified that he never drank.

Latest developments in the Jenkins case similarly illustrated the conflict which apparently influences every diplomatic interchange of the two countries. The American consular agent reported to his embassy in Mexico City that he personally heard poems retract their original testimony against him and state they were coached to say at first that he was in collusion with his abductors. Although repeatedly promised a transcript of these retractions the Puebla court finally refused to give Jenkins a copy and later even denied the poems made retractions.

**Treated Like Dogs.**

In dozens of instances of Americans murdered in Mexico the Carranza government has shown the same inclination to depend wholly upon their own version of circumstances which were later entirely refuted by investigation of the American state department. The escape without punishment of Mexican murderers has created a situation in the Tampico oil region which, Americans say, has resulted in Americans being treated like dogs by Mexican soldiers. Pay roll robberies there are increasing. American diplomats in Mexico are at a loss as to how to improve the Carranza government's viewpoint toward American protests against murders and other matters requiring international exchanges. Even the formal courtesies have been overlooked by the Mexican foreign office, the last Jenkins note being given to the press before it was presented to the American embassy.

Although taken separately the various affronts to the United States

in the last few years appear to be of minor caliber, they are declared by American officials acquainted with the situation, to have combined to generate a growing ill feeling, notwithstanding the outward appearance of comparative serenity.

## DECLARES PRESENT DAY CROOKS ARRE ALL PIKERS

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Present day crooks are all pikers. That is the opinion of "Lucky" Baldwin, one time horse thief, train robber, pickpocket and at present "among those who have come back." "Fearless crooks? Why, you don't read of one in a year," Lucky told the United Press. "The only one I have read about in months is 'Bill' Cardale." "And then they had to stop him," he

added with a tone of regret in his voice. "I would like to get a hold of Cardale. He would make a wonderful preacher. He wouldn't be afraid to preach the gospel."

Baldwin, whose right name is C. J. Baile, but who is known to inmates of the Chicago workhouse, where he has been chaplain for seven years, as "Lucky," knows crooks from A to Z. He was one himself for 25 years but was converted at the McAuley Mission in New York City in 1908.

For the last 11 years he has been one of the most successful mission workers in Chicago, due to his knowledge of the underworld and its people. "Fifty per cent of the inmates of the prisons of the United States should never be put behind the bars," he declared. "The other 50 per cent should never get out."

"Take the 'dips.' They wait until some poor little girl starts to get on a car—and then they grab her purse with a few nickels and run."

"The day I was converted, I started to lift the roll of a guy in the Bowery in New York. Only silver fell from his pockets. Do you think I would pick it up? Not Lucky Baldwin."

Nine men who Baldwin "sacked up from the streets are now preaching the gospel." He speaks of them with pride and a smile which shows the row of

gold teeth, replacing those knocked out by the butt of an Arizona Sheriff's gun, lights his face.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Holley of Columbus, Mo., are the guests of Mrs. J. W. Lee, mother of Mr. Holley, for the holidays.

Union Painters. You are hereby notified that Local Union No. 293 will elect a full staff of local and general officers and amend the by-laws of the local on Tuesday night, Dec. 23. This meeting

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FRENCH NATION TO ISSUE ADDRESS TO AMERICAN SOLDIER

DALLAS, Dec. 24.—The French nation soon will issue a printed address to each soldier of the American Expeditionary Force as an appreciation of his services in the world war, according to information received at the Dallas army recruiting station. The address, it is said, will be distributed through the various army recruiting offices.

SAYS BOLSHIEVISM WAS MADE IN GERMANY FOR USE IN OTHER COUNTRIES

HOUSTON, TEX., Dec. 24.—Bolshevism was manufactured in Germany for consumption in other countries and has been "fostered on

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the allied nations until it has become a very serious matter in all of them. Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, once noted as England's militant suffragist leader, but more recently as a leader of Britain's indefatigable women war workers, declared in an address here recently. She told of the inception of bolshevism in Russia as she saw it in Petrograd at the time Lenin came into power, of the progress it has made in other countries, and the manner in which English women have banded together to thwart it in their country.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Hugh L. Mann to A. G. Edgcombe, of seven block 49, Floral Heights, \$7,900. Highland Irrigation and Land Co. to Harry S. Moss et al., lots three, four and five, block 64 "A," \$1,600. Highland Irrigation and Land Co. to Harry Moss et al., lots one and two, block 64 "A," \$900.

ment is numerically almost negligible. "But they are well organized and steps must be taken to deal with them," she said. "Since coming to America, however, I can see that things are moving in the right direction. The affair at Centralia (Washington) served to awaken the people."

Mrs. Lillie Hostetter et al. to L. T. Burns, lot 16, block 31, Floral Heights, \$1,250. F. W. Hoeser et al. to Lester T. Burns, lot two, block 235, Floral Heights, \$1,120. Mrs. Emma Landers, et al. to H. H. Marra, lots one, two and three, block one, McIntyre's Lakewood Addition to Wichita Falls, \$1,600.

Marriage Licenses. The following marriage licenses have been issued: James H. Minter and Miss Jessie Davis. F. M. Cummings and Miss Lois E. Edwards. James H. Burdick and Mrs. Urella S. Minnick. J. W. Coen and Miss Della Haley. Gordon W. Gofford and Miss Myrtle Eula Stanle. James C. Smith and Miss Hattie Hopkins. Otis Bratcher and Miss Nina George. Loyal Robertson and Miss Annie Edgeman.

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### PEACE REIGNS ON BOARD THE BUFORD WITH 249 'REDS'

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Peace has reigned on board the United States army transport Buford since she left port here Sunday with 249 "Reds" being deported to the land of the Bolshevik, according to United States army officers.

### FRUSTRATE ATTEMPT TO STEAL \$40,000 PAYROLL

BRIDGEWATER, MASS., Dec. 24.—An attempt to steal the \$40,000 payroll of the L. Q. White Company, shoe manufacturers, was frustrated today when Benjamin Bowles, a police officer guarding the money, opened fire on four automobile bandits who had help up the pay car. The bandits returned the fire and then fled in their machine.

### Charge the American Soldiers are Leading French Girls Astray

PARIS, Dec. 23.—The newspaper Le Petit Bleu said today American soldiers in two years in Paris caused more French girls to go astray than would have otherwise in 10 years normal time.

Commenting upon the appeal of the Rev. Stanley Fisher, pastor of an American church in Paris for \$1,000,000 with which to found a church to care for the morals of 10,000 American students there, Le Petit Bleu said:

"That Paris is an immoral city is the grand refrain in America. But do we merit this reputation and do we profit by it?"

"It is all very well to say Paris Lumbkins debauched the American wolves and pretend it was the lambs that began it. But isn't it possible the wolves may have been black and the greatest fault of the lambs that they were too easily enticed?"

"All you have to do today is to enter any large Parisian millinery establishment, where formerly little Parisian girls earned their living with their fingers and you hear everywhere the same lamentation: 'Since the Americans came we are absolutely without working girls.'"

"The boys who did actual fighting were not so much to blame, the newspaper said, because they seldom got to Paris. It was the 'men behind the lines' who spotted Paris girls, the paper believes."

"American and French ideas of morals are different, the newspaper conceded, but it refused to admit the American standard any higher. The Americans, it was declared, have two sets of morals, one for public and one for private life, while the French are always the same."

### CLOTHING FOR WOMEN WILL NOT BE HIGHER FOR SPRING SEASON

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—High grade clothing for women will not be higher in the spring but no entry drop is in prospect, according to M. Tobias, an official of the Chicago Cloak and Suit Manufacturers Association.

"There is no chance for a drop in prices," he said, "until labor realizes the necessity for giving the manufacturer a fair day's work for a fair day's pay."

"As present our output is so uncertain that a manufacturer can not figure the cost of his product in advance. Where a workman formerly produced six garments a day he is now producing three."

"Our output this season, as compared with last has decreased 42 per cent while our expenses have increased. This was the result of the shift from the piece work basis to the weekly wage system."

"Materials are high and scarce and likely to remain so for some time," Tobias said. Ordinary workmen are receiving as high as \$75, \$80 and even \$100 a week, he stated. Women workers are averaging better than \$40 a week, he said.

Miss Alzada Knickerbocker, daughter of the pastor of the First Methodist Church, South, is in Wichita Falls from Houston, and will make this city her home.

Supreme Court Extends Time. AUSTIN, TEX., Dec. 24.—Following receipt of notice that Justice Pitney of the United States supreme court, has granted a stay order in the suit involving the Texas anti-pool hall law, the attorney general today advised prosecuting officers to obey the order and cease interfering with the operation of pool halls. The order is effective until January 25.

The attorney general advised local officers to ignore the open pool halls, by neither giving them permission to operate or trying to prevent them from remaining open until further advised. The case involving the constitutionality of the law is on appeal in the supreme court.

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### HOLIDAYS AFFECTS DEVELOPMENTS IN THE LOCAL FIELDS

The holiday lull is showing a marked effect on the activity in the Wichita Falls district, many of the rigs being shut down for the holidays in all sections, and while the weather of the past has been fair, the shut down from previous bad weather continues to hang on in several instances, and the district is completely lacking in developments of interest.

Pipe line runs shown a daily average of 100,000 barrels for the past week, a falling off of approximately 10,000 barrels from the past week. This decrease is attributed partially to mechanical causes, and partially to the fact that the run last week was abnormal, much oil which had been in storage and previously unaccounted for having been included in the report of that time.

Burk Burnett's run is approximately 90,000 barrels daily, Electra a shade under 10,000 barrels, Iowa Park 400 barrels, as is Petrolia, and Holliday 50 barrels. The effects of the bad weather is shown also in the decreased runs in Iowa Park. For some reason the Kemp-Munger-Allen production does not yet appear to be shown on the reports. The well will swab better than 400 barrels daily, according to reports, but the same evidently are not accounted for in the figures set out above.

For the first time in several months there are completions reported from the Burk Burnett township, both of them under 100 barrels. The Lone Star Tool Company's No. 1 Fisher, in the Wigwam Addition is a 60 barrel well and the Magnolia Petroleum Co.'s No. 22 Vancease is a 70 barrel producer. The Magnolia's No. 10 Fowler, on the township, has been plugged and abandoned at 1700 feet.

The only Electra completions are abandonments, the Texas Company abandoning its No. 190 Waggoner, and the Montana Texas Oil Company abandoning its No. 1 Fisher, both dry at the shallow sand depth.

Boyd et al. No. 1 Morgan; 225 barrels. Block 55 Oil Company, No. 1 Brascoe, block 59, dry sand at 1200, abandoned.

Burk Northern Oil Company, No. 1 Taylor; dry and abandoned.

C. & H. Oil Company, No. 2 Taylor, block 57; 400 barrels.

C. & H. Oil Company, No. 4 Taylor, block 58; 400 barrels.

Claris Green et al. No. 2 Taylor, block 22 Knight subdivision; 400 barrels.

Claris Green et al. No. 3 Taylor, block 21, Knight subdivision; 225 barrels.

Claris Green et al. No. 4 Taylor, block 21, Knight subdivision; 125 barrels.

I. Y. L. Oil Company, No. 1 A. A. Morgan; 150 barrels.

I. Y. L. Oil Company, No. 2 A. A. Morgan; 75 barrels.

Arkansas Texas Oil Company, No. 1 Taylor, block 58; 600 barrels.

Colorado Oil & Gas Company, No. 1 Taylor, block 90; 400 barrels.

Harford Oil & Gas Company, No. 3 Taylor, block 87; 200 barrels.

Hatchcock Oil Company, No. 2 Taylor, block 90; 300 barrels.

Currier LaSalle Oil Company, No. 1 Taylor, block 90; 400 barrels.

Madison Oil & Gas Company, No. 3 Little Morgan; 125 barrels.

The Texas Company, No. 21 Little Morgan; 125 barrels.

The Texas Company, No. 20 S. L. Fowler, block 82; 115 barrels.

United Petroleum Company, No. 4 Wagner; block 84; 200 barrels.

Hattery et al. No. 3 Taylor, block 90; 125 barrels.

Truman Oil Company, No. 1 Taylor, block 90; 100 barrels.

Urban Davis Oil Company, block 4 Taylor, lease 2; 225 barrels.

Urban Davis Oil Company, No. 1 Taylor, lease 4; 225 barrels.

Yonkers Oil Company, No. 1 Taylor, block 90; 100 barrels.

Lewis & Kilton, No. 2 Taylor, block 25, Knight subdivision; dry and abandoned.

McTrog, Morrison, Field and Hard, No. 1 Taylor, block 98; 600 barrels.

Mississippi Burk Oil Company, No. 2 Taylor, block 98; 200 barrels.

Mississippi Burk Oil Company, No. 4 Taylor, block 98; 200 barrels.

Little Stone Oil Company, No. 2 Morgan; 115 barrels.

Ferry Kinney, No. 3 George, W. F. George tract; 200 barrels.

King Eight Oil Company, No. 4 Waggoner, lease B; 450 barrels.

Burk Burnett Texas.

Lone Star Tool Company, No. 1 Fisher, block 3 Wigwam addition; 60 barrels.

Magnolia Petroleum Company, No. 22 Vancease; 70 barrels.

Electra.

Montana Texas Oil Company, No. 1 Fisher; dry and abandoned at 200 feet.

The Texas Company, No. 190 Waggoner; dry and abandoned at 610 feet.

### ROAD CONDITIONS.

General remarks: All highways report some improvement past 24 hour period.

Fort Worth to (by dirt roads): Brownwood: Generally passable, though rough and rutted.

Burk Burnett: Passable, rough and rutted.

Danger: Passable, but rough and rutted, some chugholes.

Southward points to Waco: Passable in general, rough rutted places.

Northward points: Passable in general, rough and rutted.

Wichita Falls: Passable, but some mudholes en route.

No precipitation is probable over the above routes next 24 to 36 hours.

Fred W. Hamner, local observer.

### IF THE CROPS ARE GOOD FRANK HOGG WILL TAKE A VACATION THIS YEAR

DESDEMONA, TEX., Dec. 23.—Now that the crops are about gathered, Frank Hogg may take a vacation and see the sights in Dallas or Fort Worth.

Since 1882, when he came from Georgia to the little plot of ground that became known as "Hogg Creek"—now Desdemona—Frank Hogg has been busy with crops—waiting for a good one so he could have a vacation.

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112 acres are now in the heart of production. For months Hogg has been drawing royalties of several thousand dollars a week.

"When are you going to take a vacation?" he was asked.

"Well, if the crops are good this year, I'll go up to Dallas or Fort Worth, I guess."

He is more than 70 years old.

### WARN AGAINST PRINTING MATTER CALCULATED TO EXCITE THE PUBLIC MIND

CAIRO, Thursday, Dec. 13.—Owners and editors of newspapers were today given official warning to re-

frain from printing matter likely to excite the public. Recent disorders and attempts at assassination were largely attributable, the warning stated, to certain newspapers.

Newspapermen are assured there is no intention to prevent reasonable criticism and are advised to submit doubtful matter to the censor before publication.

R. H. Nichols and Eugene Thompson publishers of the American Daily Tribune, which is to start publication about February 1, 1920, were visitors in Wichita Falls Tuesday.

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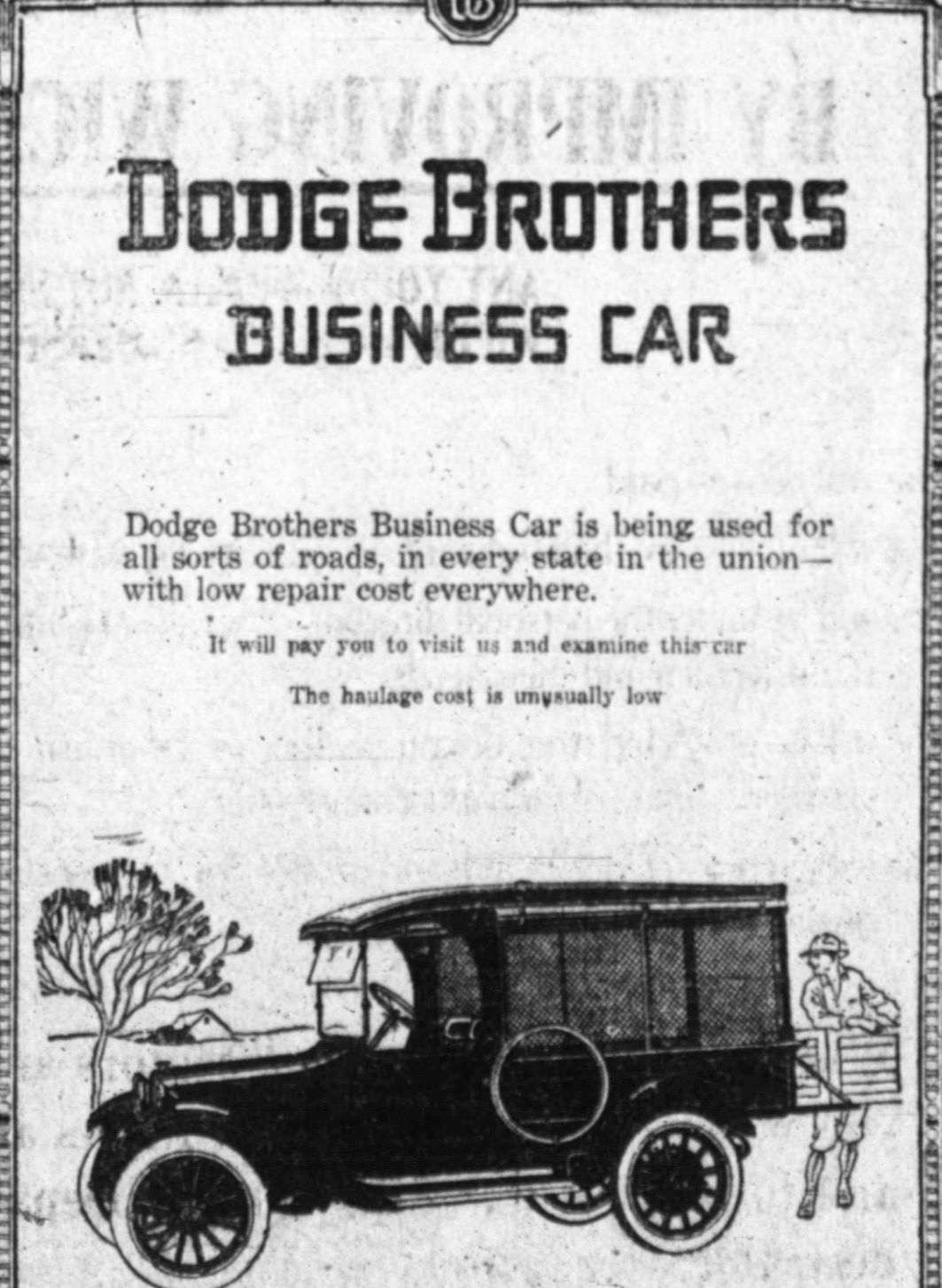


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May it reach out and enfold you in its gracious clasp.

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SHARP clean river sand for building work. Phone 417 or call 314 Lamar. 204-71P

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I WILL GIVE \$100 to anyone for following stock which strayed from Northwest side about six weeks ago: One bay mare, one black mare, one white mare, one grey mare, one brown mare, one black stallion, one white stallion, one grey stallion, one brown stallion, one black colt, one white colt, one grey colt, one brown colt, one black foal, one white foal, one grey foal, one brown foal.

Oil Development

LEASES FOR SALE—Block 458 and 459. This is desirable property. For further information inquire for W. J. or J. A. Evans, 412 Seventh-st. 204-141P

IMPROVED CITY PROPERTY

ON McNEGOR STREET—Your choice of two brand new five-room houses. These houses are airy and up-to-date. Also breakfast room, built-in refrigerator, closets in bath and bed rooms. Corner houses \$2500; inside house \$2500; small cash payment. O. L. Marchant, 721 N. Indiana-ave. Phone 204-111P

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GOOD resident lot in Lakewood addition; will trade for new Ford car. 156-101P

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SITUATIONS WANTED

CALL 2310 for estimates on painting and papering. We do it right—right now. 204-111P

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MAN wanted for warehouse and loading work. Wichita Mill and Elevator Co. 1214 Commercial-Blvd. 204-111P

HELP WANTED FEMALE

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EXPERIENCED stenographer desired. Instructing work and good pay. Call Mr. White, Wichita Motors Co. phone 204-111P

HOUSEHOLD GOODS FOR SALE

FURNITURE crating, shipping, repairing and upholstering. 1101 Indiana. Phone 1700. 204-111P

WANTED TO RENT

WANTED—Two unfurnished rooms for first of January. References. Phone 1500. 204-111P

WANTED TO RENT

WANTED—Two gentlemen will rent permanent. 88 week. Phone 284. 204-111P

FURNITURE REPAIRING

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WILL PAY \$5 each for 25 Star drilling machines. Act quick. I. B. Hlatik, Jr. James Hotel. 204-71P

WANTED TO BUY

WILL BUY from owner, house and lot or vacant lot close to city. Two small payment down. Phone 1484. Address 708 1/2 North-st. 204-71P

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WANTED to buy ten 16x16 sided up feet; must be used for the money asked. P. O. Box 422. 204-71P

WANTED TO BUY

WANTED to buy used office furniture, also typewriter; must be in good condition. State particulars including price. Address R. Box 25. 204-71P

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TIMES DAILY MARKETS

New York Stocks, Grain and Provisions, Cotton and Livestock

COTTON MARKET

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Strong Liverpool... led to an opening advance of 8 to 10 points...

GRAIN AND PRODUCE

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Fresh strength... developed in the corn market today based largely on continued export demand...

LIVESTOCK

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Butter unsettled... Chicago, Dec. 23.—Butter unsettled; creamery 54 1/2c...

PEOPLES STOCK EXCHANGE

Table with columns: Stock Name, Bid, Ask. Includes stocks like Alabama, Ark. Iron, etc.

CENTRAL STOCK EXCHANGE

Table with columns: Stock Name, Bid, Ask. Includes stocks like Alabama, Ark. Iron, etc.

EXTRAVAGANCE IS MANIFEST IN THE YULETIDE SPIRIT

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—And how comes the reconstruction Christmas... There's a little old-fashioned, about this after-the-war Yuletide, unless it's the date of gift-giving observance...

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STEEL KRAUS STORIES

SPRINGFIELD, Ill.—More Christmas cheer for Springfield... A thief purloined 1400 lbs of steel...

TRAIN SCHEDULE

Table with columns: Destination, Depart, Arrive. Lists routes to Fort Worth, Denver, etc.

WICHITA VALLEY

Table with columns: Destination, Depart, Arrive. Lists routes to Abilene, etc.

MISSOURI, KANSAS & TEXAS

Table with columns: Destination, Depart, Arrive. Lists routes to Dallas, etc.

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NEW ORLEANS COTTON

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 23.—The cotton market opened active and higher today...

KANSAS CITY LIVESTOCK

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 23.—Cash wheat 2c to 1c lower...

CHICAGO BUTTER

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Butter unsettled; creamery 54 1/2c...

LIVERPOOL COTTON

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 23.—Cotton spot moderate business; prices steady...

NEW YORK STOCKS

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Led by shipbuilding, equipment and related industries...

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# NUEVA LAREDO IS AN OASIS FOR AMERICANS

By RALPH H. TURNER  
United Press Staff Correspondent.

LAREDO, TEX. (By Mail)—This town, whose location on the Rio Grande long since gave it international importance in American relations with Mexico, today finds that its strategic position has afforded it new possibilities—wonderful possibilities. For this is one point where Dry America may hustle across a bridge and be received into the waiting arms of Wet Mexico.

"Stop! First Chance!" is the impelling command posted over the Lepos saloon to greet the eyes of the traveler after he has paid the toll charges on the Mexican side of the international bridge. But it is not the last chance, by any means. Nueva Laredo, the Mexican end of this Texas city, aims to provide full accommodation for parched throats from the north. An unofficial census gives Nueva Laredo a population of 14,000. Another census, probably more accurate, credits it with thirty saloons.

The appeal to sentiment is made just as urgent on the return to the American side of the border. Letters just as bold as those seen on the arrival proclaim that it is the "Last Chance," again requesting a cessation of motion. The Mexican eye also is seized. "La Ultima Oportunidad" is the warning which it receives. The American citizen in Laredo, so far as his own "personal liberty" is concerned, assumes an attitude of indifference toward the situation across the line. He wanders over now and then he explains, but this nearby wetness has become an old story to him and it doesn't excite him. Besides, Texas has been dry for more than a year.

In the smoking compartments of Pullman cars from the North—that is where the praises of Laredo, and its Mexican cousin across the river, are sung to the full. Traveling salesmen, old hands in the border territory, hold their less traveled friends enthralled with the unqualified declaration that there's not even a decimal point after you pass the center of the Laredo bridge—that it's straight 5 per cent. And then they pass to the mystery of tequila, the Mexican national drink. And on, and on. By the time the traveler has reached Laredo, his interest has been well developed.

At this time the tourist season is just beginning. Men in San Antonio whose business it is to know, declared that more persons are coming to Southern Texas for the winter, from the East and North, than ever before. It also is expected that a great volume of traffic, bound for California, will stop in San Antonio. The railroad administration has been advertising Spanish missions and a balmy climate. Americans are said to be amply supplied with money which they wish to spend. And—no one denies.

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explosives hand grenade to the 1918 war fronts of France this year—and the war stock is the biggest seller of years, department managers here report.

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American and American buyers have lifted the embargo on Deutschland's toy products. Those who retain their prejudices found the "made in Germany" variety the only available purchase, in many cases. The recent New York printers strike curtailed the output of games and story books, local dealers said. Some stores today reported their stocks of all toys entirely gone.

Notice. Being unable to secure offices for the present, my practice is limited to calls. Dr. A. J. McNees, phone 90.

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