

SHIPPING ALONG NORTH ATLANTIC COAST SUFFERS

NORTHWEST GALE HITS THREE COASTERS, SINKING ONE AND STRANDING ANOTHER—OTHER DAMAGE IS REPORTED

STORM WARNING OUT

Covers Practically All of Atlantic and Eastern Gulf Coast and Is Due to Disturbance Arising From Texas of Much Intensity.

STEAMSHIP MARYLAND CALLS FOR ASSISTANCE

New York, Dec. 26.—The coastwise steamship City of Savannah and the coast guard cutter Achushnet today hurried to the assistance of the steamship Maryland which shortly after last midnight sent out messages stating that she was sinking and asking immediate aid. The Maryland gave her position as Latitude 29, Longitude 87, or about 250 miles east of Sandy Hook.

STORM WARNINGS ISSUED ALONG ATLANTIC COAST

Washington, Dec. 26.—Storm warnings for the Atlantic coast from Fort Monroe to Jacksonville and from the Texas coast to Rockwell, Florida were issued today by the weather bureau. The announcement said a disturbance over East Texas was moving east and would cause northeast and east winds on the Atlantic coast and East Gulf coast today and to night.

BRAZILIAN BARK SAFE AFTER ADVENTURES

New York, Dec. 26.—The Brazilian bark Nephis which broke away from the tug Garibaldi during a storm on the night of Friday, December 15, whose crew of twelve were rescued by the Italian steamship Sardegna and brought into port by the coast guard cutter Seneca today. The Nephis in tow of the Garibaldi left Maranham, Brazil, October 13.

TURKISH FORCE WIPED OUT SAYS BRITISH REPORT

London, Dec. 26.—Detailing the capture of the strong Turkish position at Maghdadah, 20 miles southeast of El Arish and 100 miles east of the Suez canal, a British war office announcement says that virtually the entire Turkish force of 2,000 was destroyed.

VILLA IS GIVING PROTECTION TO ALL FOREIGNERS

Washington, Dec. 26.—Villa is giving protection to those foreigners who remained on Torreon after he took the city, according to advices to the state department today, which advise that the party of foreigners who fled with British Consul O'Shea before the capture of the city, were blocked at San Luis Potosi because the bandits had cut the railroad line northward from Saltillo. The Villa band has cut Carranza's communication by rail with the border.

ITALY CALLING ADDITIONAL MEN TO HER COLORS

Rome, Dec. 26.—The feeling of peace in the air has not affected Italy's war measures. The new class, those born in 1898, has been called to the colors January 1, which will considerably increase the contingent available for the front, while 2,500 factories are running day and night, turning out arms and munitions.

DOUBLE KILLING AT KNOX CITY ON CHRISTMAS EVE

RED MITCHELL AND DEPUTY SHERIFF REED SHOT DOWN BY MAN WHO MAKES HIS ESCAPE IN AN AUTOMOBILE

NOT YET CAPTURED

Officer Slain When He Attempts to Arrest Mitchell's Slayer Recalls Previous Killing By Mitchell in King County

MITCHELL AND BROTHER BOTH WELL KNOWN HERE

News of the killing of "Red" Mitchell was received with interest by older Wichitans who recall the shooting victim very well. Mitchell resided here about 20 years ago, being employed as a prairie dog killer. His brother, Bill Mitchell, who had been with him in King county, also resided here up to a few years ago, running a small restaurant in this city.

NUMBER OF AMERICAN SAILORS SHOWS INCREASE

New York, Dec. 26.—There are approximately two and one half times as many American sailors now shipping for foreign ports than at any time previous to the war, according to Dr. George S. Webster, secretary of the American Seamen's Friend Society. He attributes this increase partly to the increased wages being given seamen and partly to the improved conditions under which they are working.

WAR TIME PROBLEMS BEFORE ORGANIZATION

Washington, Dec. 26.—War time problems will be among the subjects discussed at the annual meeting of the Chamber of Commerce's annual meeting here January 31. It is expected the attendance will be the largest in the history of the organization. The subject of the organization's annual defense, day-light-saving and other important questions will be discussed at the meeting. Results of referendum now being held in the Chamber among its affiliated organizations on the railroad problem, particularly the prevention of strikes and lock-outs, also will be announced.

CHRISTMAS FIREWORKS CAUSE MANY INJURIES

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 26.—Celebration of Christmas fireworks was responsible for most of the 78 injuries treated at a municipal hospital yesterday. Similar reports were received from other southern cities. The shooting of firecrackers at Christmas is common.

L. B. JENNE INJURED ACCIDENT IN OIL FIELD

L. B. Jenne is wearing some cuts and bruises on his forehead and nose as the result of an encounter with a pumping jack in the oil field. While Mr. Jenne was at work on one of the jacks north of Iowa Park last Saturday the lever slipped striking him on the forehead, slinging downward and taking a strip off his nose. The job was a hard one and Mr. Jenne is thankful to have escaped with no more serious injuries.

CARRANZA MUST GIVE FAVORABLE RESPONSE TODAY

OTHERWISE CONFERENCES BETWEEN AMERICAN AND MEXICAN COMMISSIONERS WILL COME TO CLOSE AT ONCE

MAY CLOSE PARLEYS

Continued Debate Deemed Useless Unless Answer Is Satisfactory. No Word From First Chief Early This Afternoon.

HOLLAND FEARS TO MAKE PUBLIC BERLIN'S REPLY

Amsterdam, Dec. 26.—The Telegraf says it has reason to believe that Germany's reply to Holland's note regarding the deportation of Belgian workmen is so unfavorable that it is inadvisable to communicate it to the Dutch parliament, and that the government has requested Berlin to alter the reply in such a manner that it may be presented to parliament.

BERLIN REPORTS FURTHER LOSSES FOR ROUMANIANS

Berlin, Dec. 26.—In Rumania, 5,500 more prisoners have been taken by the Teutonic allies, the war office announced today. The town of Filipecht on the railroad between Buzeu and Breila was captured at the point of the invasion. Strongly entrenched Russian positions on both sides of the village were stormed, the state department says.

RECAPTURE OF POSITION CLAIMED BY ROUMANIANS

Petrograd, Dec. 26.—Recapture of one of the heights of the Rumanians, which they recently lost in the fighting on the Nioldavian frontier, is announced by the war office.

CONFERENCE OF ALL BELLIGERENTS IS PROPOSED IN GERMANY'S REPLY

BELIEVED MORE NEUTRALS TO AID

WASHINGTON EXPECTS OTHER COUNTRIES SOON TO FOLLOW SWITZERLAND

HOLLAND OR SPAIN

President Commended From Many Sources—Spanish Ambassador Sees Lansing

MEXICAN MEMBERS HAVE NO WORD FROM CARRANZA

New York, Dec. 26.—The Mexican members of the joint commission had received no word from General Carranza regarding the subject of the communication up to 1:15 o'clock this afternoon, it was stated here by Luis Cabrera, chairman of the Mexican delegation.

SOCIALISTS NOT YET FOR PEACE MEETING SHOWS

Amsterdam, Dec. 26.—The prohibition of all unnecessary railroad traveling in Germany is likely to be followed shortly by similar measures in the neutral countries, such a prohibition has for some time been under consideration in England, and the Board of Trade a few weeks ago issued an appeal for the allies to restrict railway traffic as a preliminary to restrictive legislation. The appeal urged in emphatic terms that every person proposing to travel by train should consider whether the journey is really necessary.

OREGON AND PENNSYLVANIA FOOTBALL TEAMS TO PLAY

New York, Dec. 26.—The first day of the new year will be featured in sport by an inter-sectional football game to be played at Pasadena, Cal. in which the eleven of the University of Oregon and the University of Pennsylvania will be opponents. The contest will be a traveling mile age of close to ten thousand miles and this will probably establish a record for a single football game late in the season of 15. Syracuse University team made a trip to the Pacific coast, winning from the Oregon Aggies 28 to 0 and Occidental College 25 to 9. Last New Year's Day (1916) Brown played Washington State at Pasadena and was defeated 14 to 6.

NEW SKI-JUMP RECORD ESTABLISHED BY AMATEUR

Chicago, Dec. 26.—Christ Kellum, a local amateur skier, jumped 166 feet at Gary, Indiana making what is claimed to be a record.

SAYS LONDON IS BLUNDERING, TOO

WRITER DECLARES AMERICA NOW IN POSITION ENGLAND ONCE HELD

IMMEDIATE EXCHANGE OF VIEWS URGED AS MOST APPROPRIATE MEANS TO EARLY PEACE

Berlin, Dec. 26.—Germany and her allies, Austria-Hungary, Bulgaria and Turkey today replied to the note of President Wilson, in which he asked that the belligerent nations state ends for which they are fighting.

PEACE TERMS DISCUSSED BY PETROGRAD PAPER

Petrograd, Dec. 26.—Discussing the forthcoming reply to the peace proposals, the Rech says: "Official reply cannot state that the center will be an ally, the Turkish empire to an end in order to remove forever German aims of world domination, or that the allies will demand reorganization of Austria-Hungary in order to meet the possibility of the fulfillment of German ideas regarding Central Europe, which form the first step of their program for world power. Diplomacy cannot discuss terms until the allies have laid the firm foundation for success of their present military tasks. But by saying less diplomacy would acknowledge the result of the unsuccessful for the allies would not be fulfilled and that the only terms acceptable to Russia will be those dictated by herself and her allies."

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The text of Germany's answer to President Wilson's note was transmitted today by James W. Gerard, the American ambassador. The answer says: "The high-minded suggestions made by the president of the United States of America in order to create a basis for the establishment of a lasting peace have been received and considered by the imperial government in the friendly spirit which was expressed in the president's communication."

THE PRESIDENT POINTS OUT THAT WHICH HE HAS AT HEART AND LEAVES OPEN THE CHOICE OF THE ROADS.

"To the imperial government immediate exchange of views seems to be the most appropriate road in order to reach the desired results. "It begs, therefore, in the sense of the declaration made on December 12, which offered a plan for peace negotiations, to propose an immediate meeting of the belligerent states in a neutral city. "The imperial government is also of the opinion that the great work of preventing further wars can be begun only at the end of the present struggle of the nations. "It will, when this moment shall have come, be ready with pleasure to collaborate entirely with the United States in this exalted task."

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LAST CHRISTMAS SERMON SUNDAY

REV. F. F. WALTERS PREACHES ON "CHRIST THE MONUMENT" SUNDAY

LESSONS ARE DRAWN

Significance of Christ's Life and Observance of His Birth Are Discussed

His last Christmas sermon to the congregation he has served for over four years was delivered Sunday morning by Rev. F. F. Walters at the First Christian Church, his subject being "Christ the Monument." Being the significance of Christ's birth and service as his theme, the pastor showed the importance of Christmas to the Christian world as a season of gladness and rejoicing.

"This is the last Christmas Mr. Walters will be with the church here, as he leaves shortly for his new charge at Hopkinsville, Kentucky."

"This shall be a Sign Unto You," (Luke 2:12) was Mr. Walters' text, he said.

Most men endeavor to immortalize their names. The anxious inquiry of the dying Garfield, "Shall I be remembered by posterity?" May well become the voice of humanity. All classes should answer that haunting question: how long will I be remembered after death? What accomplishments are required to procure lasting memory? Every man is a record maker and monument builder. He may be remembered by the peach, pear or apple; he buds, grafts or develops. Another by the strap of blood he produces; in chick, pig or horse. One seeks the farm. From the soil, he would build an everlasting name. Conscientious honesty, virtuous living, industrious toil and joyful sacrifices bring abundant wealth. With bounding heart and halting step, like one of old he said: "Soul, take thine ease, eat, drink and be merry." But his monumental wealth departs. Then a voice inquires: "Whose shall these things be?"

Another seeks by explorations. He suffers dangers of land, tempest of sea; ravenous lusts of savage tribes and loss of loved ones. Build he must and sacrifice is sweet, if he can but build a monument. Many such honorable names are not even written in history; while the deeds themselves are most forgotten. Through soldierly and war, another builds. Battles are fought, victories are won, the flag is sustained and he falls a hero. For a time his striking deeds and valiant services echo from every heart. But time wears dim the face of such monuments. Greater conflicts arise. Other warriors advance to battle. More glorious victories are won. He who first sought through war an everlasting name, is found only in the closed annals of history.

Statesmanship is written upon the monument which another would build. From woodland farm he passes to a nation's capital. Standing between North and South, he pleads for right and justice, seeking freedom for four million slaves. But monuments erected to his name, decaying fall. Each of these have wrought a beneficial work. But earth monuments cannot stand. They are made of work; the labor of men. An everlasting monument, that will be wrought through man to the honor of God.

Christmas has come again. Five times, we have watched the old year die. Five times, we will have together lifted from its cradle, the infant year; pressed upon its brow the crown of happiness; hung about its neck a rosary of resolutions; and breathlessly watched its unfolding opportunities. December twenty-fifth, is the calendar's most bewildering date. Pointing forward to it is childhood's richest expectations. Overhanging it a halo reflects universal life. Looking backward toward it, realization of fondest hopes are remembered. What a wonderful monument is Christmas to the Christ. Only for Him, it could not have been. Without Him, it would end. He is the center around which the world rotates. Nations are bowing and strange tongues are chanting his Yuletide hymn. He too, was a planter of trees. They are bearers of perpetual fruit. His monument will stand forever. Let us re-study this Christ in Monument.

1. His monumental Birth: Read Luke's story chapter two. Never was there such another birth. Its mystery and simplicity are sublime. While including human elements, it is divine. Three times angels announce most startling facts: To the Virgin Mary, that a wonderful child shall be born; to Joseph the carpenter, that he was conceived of the Holy Spirit; to the watchful shepherds, that in Him, the world's Redeemer has been born. The maiden's reverent joy; Joseph's anxious fidelity and the shepherds' adoration, charm us. The Bethlehem manger birth, has become a shrine before which the whole world pauses. An almost universal pilgrimage is made yearly, in memory of Christ's birth. God's gift to the world is manifest in this monumental birth. Our's is the highest. His, when we are born anew into His everlasting Kingdom. Man's gift to others in His name, fulfill life's fondest hopes.

2. His Monumental Childhood: All childhood is interesting. This heaven-conceived, earth-born child has strange attractions. All eyes look and wait in His presence. He entered life as "The Divine Infant" but began it as "The Human Child." Being subject to all natural conditions, He was perfect in them. A new star was created for Him. He attracted Wise Men, who were led by its rays. Their golden treasures, established our giving Christmas. Before this child, thrones weaken; kings tremble and nations are distributed. The once insignificant village, is now the center of world thought. Herod recognized this unusual child. The reason so stained with blood, now suffers

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"That's Sophrony Ann Gowdey, kind of a distant cousin of ma's. She's gifted with th' second sight. Onct when grampa lost his false teeth they called her in and she set right here in this room and tranced and after a bit she woke up suddent and says, wild like, 'Seek ye within th' well!' she says, so they done it, but they didn't find 'm. But only a week afterwards, when they cleaned th' cistern, thre them teeth was. Pa says, 'Well, anyhow, Phrony knowed they was in th' damp, he says. 'Turn over.'"

child murder. But the Magi brings his humblest Eastern homage and offerings. All this is because of Jesus' monumental childhood.

3. Home ones: proceed the other two. Birth and childhood are largely what parents and home are. These parents wanted the babe before birth. They cared for and protected Him after he was born. Into Egypt they fled from the tyranny of Kings, only to give the boy a chance. What an example to home makers. Ideal homes tell in this child's life now and in after years. His life's history reads: "The child grew and waxed strong in spirit, being filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was upon Him."

Following a brief stay in Egypt, the Holy Family established a permanent home in Nazareth. Though not blessed with wealth, it must have been a good home. Here real life began for the child Jesus. He entered into a working man's duties. The ties between parent and child were strong. They

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4. His Monumental Manhood: Christ is God's greatest man. Manhood is his greatest gift to the world. Man was created only a little lower than angels. Christ is above angels and equal with God. Though a Spirit, he became flesh to dwell among men. John was a hand lamp. Other men are candles. Christ is the real, universal, ever increasing Son of Righteousness. None other like him has yet appeared. Three unusual characteristics appear in his unique manhood.

First Service: Service and efficiency are the great words before man today. Modern children are indifferent. Many are independently lazy. They think parents were created just to work for and wait upon them. Many adults are diseased. Jesus had a different conception of his relation to others. He came from a nation of slaves. Joseph was a working man. He himself was known as "The Carpenter." Though not born in slavery, his people bore the stigma of bondage, when that immortal star blazed a path to his cradle. He was born to serve. "He came to seek and to save the lost." Hear his own words: "My Father worketh and I work." "Know ye not that I should be about my Father's business?" His vision of service is large. Service is life's road to greatness. Knowing this Jesus said: "Whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister." His work and slavery were familiar to him. Joyfully he exclaimed: "I am among you as he that serveth." What a wonderful child. What a strange man. Toward the close of his earth work, he said to those faithful with him: "Come inherit the kingdom prepared for you. For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in: Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick and ye visited me: I was in prison and ye came unto me." "Master, when did we do these things?" Jesus answered: "As ye came along the road of life, helping others, ye were serving me." "In as much as ye did it to one of the least of these, ye did it unto me." He makes service a key to the kingdom.

Second Teacher: School rooms and teachers are the dread of childhood. Dogs can bark, cats can scratch and germs can swim, without being taught. But teachers are essential to humanity. Who wants to be a dog, cat or a goose? Moses said to those foot-worn, Jewish slaves: "The Lord thy God will raise up unto thee a Prophet from the midst of thee, of thy brethren, like unto me; unto him shall ye hearken." That Prophet was Jesus, our Christmas child. He appeared among world teachers, but surpassed all. At twelve, law-taught by word and deed. Giving men years and docters were astonished at those who knew him best said: "Whosoever he saith unto you, do this, or that, do it: but he that saith unto you, forbear this, or that, do not: ye shall not be bound: but he that saith unto you, Amen, or Hallelujah, ye shall be bound: that ye may not be able to shake it off." He required of others, nothing he would not himself do. Thus into the baptismal font he went showing others the way. God said: "This is my beloved on whom I am well pleased, hear ye him." Jesus made no mistakes of his own instructions. He said: "Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you." Though common people understood him, the most learned are astonished. He taught them having authority, and not as the scribes. Wise men questioned: "Whence hath he these things? He came to bring peace on earth and good will among men." These depend upon proper application of his teachings to humanity.

Third Life: Life is a mystery. Life is eternal. Other monuments may fall but life is everlasting. Christ's life and death are interwoven. He was made

LOCAL CAFES NOW SERVING RABBITS

Market Furnished For Hunters—Meat Declared as Required Food By Those Eating It

While plans for developing and supplying a market for Northwest Texas rabbits are going forward steadily, Wichita Falls restaurants are already making rabbit a regular item on the bill of fare. Rabbit meat is far from being a novelty to most patrons of local restaurants, but this winter it is served much more regularly than formerly.

Fried rabbit or rabbit stew are served at eating houses here almost daily. Both are declared to be entirely toothsome dishes and are meeting with decided favor. They are served at 25 cents a portion. The rabbits are supplied by farm boys in this vicinity who hunt them regularly, now that a fairly steady market for their kill has been provided.

JAPAN TO HAVE TALLEST CHIMNEY IN THE WORLD

Tokio—Japan will have the tallest chimney in the world. Down on the east coast of Kyushu in the little village of Saginasaki, 15 miles from Dappu, the great stack which when completed will be twelve feet higher than the Washington monument is gradually building under the superintendence of American engineers and when finished will reach 567 feet in the sky.

This towering pile is being constructed for the Kubara Mining Company which is building a new copper smelter.

The foundation is placed on the top of a hill which rises 430 feet above the level of the sea. From the seaside counting the altitude of the cliff there will be an almost straight rise of about 1000 feet to the summit of the stack. The construction of the chimney has been planned with a view of giving it special qualities to resist earthquakes. The chimney is now a little past the 300 foot mark and is expected to be completed by January 1. The present highest chimney in the world is at Great Falls, Montana at a smelter works. Its height is said to be 506 feet as against the 555 of the Washington monument.

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**INFLUENCE OF FAR COUNTRIES SEEN
 IN DESIGN FOR AMERICAN STYLES**

Special to The Times. — Cosmopolitan New York grows more cosmopolitan daily. Even as her doors are open to those from the most distant parts of the world, so are the minds of her fashion designers open to receive ideas from the four corners of the earth. Whatever may be turned to good account is quickly utilized and brought before the public for the world of fashionable women to pass on.

The very latest influence in dress has come from the Far East. Japanese and Chinese embroideries and like effects have come in for recognition and have taken quite an important position in the world of fashion.

Many of the windows of the best shops are now displaying the real Japanese and Chinese garments with their rich silks and gorgeous colorings. Most of us, however, are content to admire these beautiful

falling over a pleated skirt, is one of the best liked styles of the season. Sometimes it is made with a high close-fitting collar, and again, the open neck with the becoming sailor collar is used with it. With the high collar and closing at the side, these dresses give very much the impression of a suit. It has been observed of late that such dresses giving the appearance of suits have been very much worn at afternoon functions. A waist with a short peplum sometimes gives this effect, especially when the dress is developed in velvet, velours or the other wool materials which are used both for suits and dresses.

Accessories of Dress. — Now that Christmas is close at hand, all the dainty feminine accessories in every form are displayed to great advantage in the stores. Bags of all descriptions there are, for these are considered a very necessary addition to the wardrobe in these days. Bags of velvet, suede, ribbon and beads are seen in such a variety of colors and shapes that no one can possibly have any difficulty in selecting those that will harmonize with her costume. Of black velvet with a band of Paisley placed at the bottom or in the center, are some very attractive round bags finished with long silk tassels. Others show Chinese embroideries in gold and colors. The bead embroidered bags of silk and vel-



tunes in the windows. No one has yet appeared on Fifth Avenue arrayed in the true costume from the land of the cherry blossom. But many have been seen in costumes showing the Oriental influence such as the sketch above illustrates.

Another country from which has come inspiration for some of the present styles is Spain. The red and black combination worn by the dark eyed senoritas of that country is frequently used with charming effect especially in semi-evening gowns. From Spain also have come the beautiful fine lace scarfs or mantillas which are now fashionable, and the large comb for the hair which are used with the coiffure that is distinctly Spanish.

It is well known that from Russia, also we have received a great many contributions to the styles, not only in the line of blouses and dresses, but in the Russian turbans raised high in front. Some of the turbans are worn with chin straps or "bridles" to which a veil is often attached.

The Russian blouse dress with a long blouse reaching to the knee and

vet are still popular. Silver mesh beaded girdles, ostrich fans which are used for winter balls and operas and which come in all colors to match the gowns with which they are used and dainty neckwear are only a few of the tempting accessories on display.

Lace neckwear with high collars and long flowing jabots is again in style, and those who never were able to wear the low collars becomingly now have the chance to revel in these. But the low collars are still numerous, made of fine linen, batiste, George and net, embroidered over so daintily and edged with lace for further decoration.



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The years have flown on rosy wings, This heart is asking "Where is she?" And all, perhaps in her ear rings The self-same question, "Where is he?" Though 'tis a dream that memory brings, What was once sweet reality.

A bunch of withered violets— Ah, this December day— Preserved in such a willing change— Their dream has flown away! And whispered both of faithfulness, While memories filled the empty air.

—Augusta Wall-

**FRIBERG FAMILY REUNION
 HELD CHRISTMAS DAY**

Christmas day was made the occasion of a family reunion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Friberg, 1511 Tenth street, the Christmas dinner at the noon hour being made the feature of the celebration. The home was decorated in holiday effect with the same motif prevailing in the dining room and table decorations. A sumptuous Christmas feast was served. The guests included: Roy Harry Draper and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Draper of Ponca City, Oklahoma, Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Friberg and son, Walter, and the following children and their families: Mr. and Mrs. Arvy Friberg and family; Mr. and Mrs. George Friberg and family; Mr. and Mrs. Bryan and family; Mr. and Mrs. Houston Simmons and family; Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Friberg, Misses Estelle, Nettie and Edmontine Friberg.

A Christmas tree and a Santa Claus before the dinner was announced, provided much diversion and amusement and the arrival of an expressman with a large Christmas package from his office afforded a pleasant surprise for all.

**LITTLE FOLKS PARTY
 AT LANGFORD HOME**

Saturday afternoon little Miss Elizabeth Langford entertained a few of her little friends with a party at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Langford, 900 Burnett. There was a Christmas tree to be admired by the children and a Santa Claus which made the occasion a joyful one by presenting pretty gifts to each guest. The afternoon was spent with games and delicious refreshments served by the hostess. Miss Elizabeth's guests included: Mark Walker Jr., Lenora Walker, Jimmy Guest, Louis Moore of Kansas City, Jennette of Wichita, Mrs. Adams, Mildred Miller, Mildred Sherrod, Eugene Sherrod Jr., and Berenice Brown.

**SAWYERS-OVERSTREET
 WEDDING SATURDAY**

Saturday evening at 7:30 Miss Myrtle Sawyers and J. T. Overstreet were united in matrimony at the home of Mrs. J. W. Lee, 1501 Travis, Rev. R. C. Miller, pastor of the First Baptist Church officiating. The ceremony was a very quiet affair, attended by a few friends and Mr. and Mrs. Overstreet left shortly afterward for Gainesville, where the parents of the bride reside. They will go to California to spend the winter after a short visit in Gainesville. The groom was formerly at the head of the Overstreet Produce Company of this city, having disposed of the business only last week. The bride for some time has been connected with the company and is known here as a charming and estimable young woman. She comes of a prominent Gainesville family. The friends of both Mr. and Mrs. Overstreet are uniting in congratulations.

**RECEPTION TO HONOR
 PASTOR'S PARENTS TONIGHT**

Tonight at the home of Mrs. M. E. Carey the Aid Society of the First Methodist Church will entertain with a reception complimentary to Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Draper of Ponca City, Okla., parents of Rev. Harry Draper, now pastor of the church. This reception has been changed from Friday, Dec. 23, the date originally set. The congregation and friends are invited.

**CHRISTMAS DAY GAME
 FAILS TO MATERIALIZE**

On account of the inability of the ex-high school players to get a combination together to meet the high school team the game scheduled for yesterday afternoon was called off. The failure was a severe disappointment to local football fans who were looking for some rare sport from the meeting of ex-high school eleven with the one representing the school during the past season.

**DEPARTMENT ANSWERS
 TWO GRASS FIRES**

Two grass fires called the local fire department out yesterday and although in each instance buildings caught from the grass no damage resulted from either. The first run came from a burning of grass in the yard of a house on the corner of 12th and Lamar where the underpinning on the house caught, but was put out with no damage. The other run was about 12:40 to 6:00 Scott where a barn caught from the burning grass, but which was not burned to a material extent.

**LARGE THRONG AT
 COMMUNITY TREE**

Exercises in Floral Heights Early Monday Bring Happiness to Many Folks

Sunrise on Christmas morning found a great crowd gathered at the Floral Heights Presbyterian Church for the community Christmas tree, the first of the kind ever held in Wichita Falls and a neighborhood celebration of the merriest character imaginable the day was ushered in quite in keeping with old time customs.

The pastor of the church, Rev. J. Walter Haggard, assisted by the men and women of the community arranged for the tree which stood in front of the church building and placing on the cedar branches gifts for every one in the community. And the children contributed their share by singing songs and giving appropriate Christmas recitations so that it really was a community tree.

The firing of a gun was the signal for the gathering of the people to trim the tree, which was begun at 4 in the morning and the rising sun greeted a brilliantly decorated tree, topped with a large star, which had illuminated the immediate vicinity of the church for the past several nights. The attendance was all that could have been desired and all, both young and old entered into the spirit of the occasion wholeheartedly so that Mr. Haggard and his assistants in the affair regarded the community tree an unequalled success.

There was a Santa Claus to delight the children and grown folks alike in the person of Mr. Stanley and the gifts for the individuals were presented by him. In addition to the remembrances for each other the guests were reminded of the meaning of the program being termed the bringing of "white gifts for the King."

The electric current for the tree and for the great four foot star which had been burning at night since Friday were furnished by the water and light company gratis and the wiring of the tree and the lights were furnished by the Stokes Electric Company and the thanks of all who enjoyed the community celebration are extended to these two companies for their courtesy.

Christmas in the Trenches.

The bombs were bursting in mid-air. And soldiers falling here and there: The trumpets wailed, the blasting gun. And again was lost a mother's son.

The day wore on and ceased to be: Some had passed into Eternity. Yes, some that day had died and died, Fatherless sacrifice their country's pride.

And as the sun's last rays were falling, Unto each heart came a tender calling: Calling them from the trenches they, To their homes on that Christmas Eve.

Each man that day had aimed his best, Perhaps sent home poor brother to his rest. Each man that night fell full loaded with care, For evermore his brother in the trenches over there.

Guns were not fired; shells were not thrown. For a time the seeds of death were not sown. Nor from their hangers that night did they bring down the angels' train. Save the crying of the dying all was quiet on that Christmas Eve.

Suddenly cried one, more daring than the others, Who on that day had bereft many a mother: "Boys, first let us seek the Savior's grace, Ask forgiveness that some day we might see Him face to face."

Then let us pray as never we prayed before, That we, like the wise men in days of yore, Might be led to the gentle Savior's door. And proclaim Him our King for evermore.

"Let us pray that peace may come to our land; That we be free from the War Tyrant's hand;" And with many a prayer on bended knee, Each man of that company gained a heart most free.

And while they prayed and while they wept, A wounded soldier from off the bat-tlement crept, And with death written in his face so fair, Said to the men in the trenches, "They're praying over there."

Scarcely a hundred yards away, The troops of the enemy lay, And in Heaven from each trench, Was accepted the prayer, whether German or French.

And when the praying had ceased, all of the air Was ringing with Christmas carols so fair. What message did the gentle breezes bear, But that "They are singing over there."

—Ellis McFerrin Altfather.

(The author of this verse is fifteen years old. He resides at Weatherford. This poem was sent to Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Frear of this city, friends of the author.)

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**NEGRO STABBED TO
 DEATH LATE MONDAY**

Mott Shelby Receives Fatal Wound—Harvey Hughes Surrenders to Officers

Mott Shelby, a negro about forty years of age, for the last fifteen years an employe of the local post office was stabbed to death in a difficulty in the rear room of the Capitol Bar about 6:30 last night. By Harvey Hughes another negro who has done odd jobs work here for about eight years.

No reason was assigned for the difficulty further than Hughes saying that he stabbed Shelby in self defense. He asserts that the other negro had been following him around all evening and that at the time of the difficulty was coming toward him, knife in hand. The wounded negro was taken to the office of Dr. Mike Walker for treatment, but died on his arrival in the office. The right carotid artery was severed by the stab which entered near the right nipple. He was stabbed only once, Charles Reid, the negro who carried the wounded man to the doctor's office was held at first by the officers, but was released on the arrest of Hughes. Shelby was searched in the doctor's office immediately following his death by Deputy Sheriff Bob McFall who found on his person only seventy cents in change and a knuckle bone which were the contents of his purse.

Immediately after the stabbing Hughes went to the office of Horace Nutt, city attorney, whom he had known for years, having worked for members of his family. The negro gave his story of the affair to Mr. Nutt and was evidently advised by that gentleman to give up—without further delay, for he walked into the police station about 11 o'clock last night and gave up to Deputy Sheriffs Bob McFall and J. S. Glenn who had just dropped in there after a fruitless search for him.

The prisoner gave Mr. McFall a three bladed knife which he said he had used for the killing, saying that he thought he used one of the smaller blades. The knife, however, had one unusually long keen blade. None of the blades had any marks of blood on them. Martin O'Neal has been retained as counsel for Hughes.

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**TRAINS TAKEN OFF
 TO CONSERVE COAL**

Northwestern's Shortage Becoming More Serious—Other Roads Also Need Fuel

Local railroads are beginning to feel the effects of the coal shortage which is presenting an increasingly serious problem all over the country. The Northwestern which is worse hit than the other railroads passing through here this morning taking of three local freight trains in order to conserve their rapidly diminishing supply. One local on the Wellington branch, which runs every other day one way each day, has been cut off.

**JACK LONDON'S DEATH
 BRINGS SORROW IN SWEDEN**

Stockholm, Dec. 26.—More space has been given to Jack London by the Swedish papers than to Emperor Francis-Joseph, news of whose death was received at almost the same time. Long biographies, profusely illustrated, were published by most of the papers, and genuine sorrow was displayed generally at London's death.

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Tabulated returns of the Texas vote show that Jeff McLemore, one of the candidates for congressman at large led the democratic ticket, his vote being 300,203, which was 17,888 more than the highest democratic elector.

There can be no question as to Mr. McLemore's popularity with the voters of Texas. It has been proven in more than one contest in recent years Mr. McLemore is a man endowed with qualities which win friends and hold personal friendships. This rather than any commanding ability in public affairs must be the chief cause of his favor with the voters. It will be remembered that Mr. McLemore was sponsor for a resolution in the house, which if it had been adopted, would have meant the surrender of American right on the seas. This resolution was offered under circumstances that led many to suspect that it was offered, not with any serious hope for its adoption, but rather as an appeal to the German voters in Mr. McLemore's home state. If it was its purpose, it was highly successful. Mr. McLemore captured the German vote in the primary and he got the votes of the German-Americans in the general election. Kaiserism who resented the Americanism of Woodrow Wilson scratched the head of the democratic ticket but did not fail to vote for the congressman who proposed a surrender to the Kaiser's submarine campaign.

The resolution submitted by Senator Gore for amendment to the federal constitution to restrict suffrage in elections for senators and congressmen to American citizens ought to direct the attention of Texas citizens to the situation in this state. After a very brief residence in Texas persons of foreign birth can vote in our state, county and other local elections if they declare their intention to become citizens, and a prominent Texan once charged that an important issue had been decided by Mexicans whose hair hadn't dried after they had crossed the Rio Grande. It is well known that large numbers of Mexicans cross into Texas to pick cotton, work on railroad tracks and similar employment with no intention of becoming American citizens or of remaining in the state permanently. But when an election comes along these Mexicans are voted, sometimes it is charged without even the formality of declaring an intention to become citizens. There ought to be some revision of our election laws which would make such practices less frequent. There are too many instances too in which foreigners coming to Texas have declared an intention to become citizens in order to get the right to vote, but have never gone beyond this declaration of intention. The right to vote ought to be taken from the man who within a reasonable time does nothing further toward intention to become such. A man who shows so little interest in American citizenship by forgetting all about it when he declares his intention to become a citizen, certainly is not a proper person to exercise the suffrage right of an American citizen. Senator Gore's resolution for an amendment to restrict the vote in the election of senators and congressmen to American citizens is likely to be adopted as will the amendment, but this will not relieve the situation as it applies to state and local elections in Texas. That is a matter that is up to the legislature and the people of Texas.

Wichita Falls' Christmas present came in the form of a library building donated by her good patron saint, J. A. Kemp. The property was the donor's former home and is valued at twenty-five to thirty thousand dollars and is said to be admirably adapted to the uses for which it is intended. Wichita Falls owes much to Mr. Kemp, like-wise Mr. Kell. These gentlemen at an early day signified their faith and confidence in the future of Wichita Falls by investing their money in its real estate and in various business enterprises calculated to build up a town. And he said to the credit of the citizens of Wichita Falls all they wanted to know about an investment or an improvement was endorsed by Messrs. Kemp and Kell. It is that in all Texas there is not a more progressive, a more thorough-going town than Wichita Falls. We congratulate Wichita Falls on having such a citizen as Mr. Kemp; we congratulate Mr. Kemp on having back of him and supporting him, in all his efforts such a stalwart citizenship as characterizes his neighbors.—Denison Herald.

RESIDENCE BURNS WITH \$3200 LOSS

Home of Ernest Crain at Thirteenth and Grace is Gutted by Flames. Fire, originating from a continuous gas heater, raged through the residence of Ernest Crain, corner of Thirteenth and Grace, at about 10:30 p. m. today. The actual loss is placed at \$3,200, with a probable loss of \$2,500. The loss is distributed as follows: On the house, \$2,000 loss, with \$1,500 insurance, and on the furniture, \$3,200 loss, with \$1,000 insurance. The 6,000-foot lines of gas were laid by the fire department, who, although the fire had a good headway before their arrival, worked hard to save the house. The fire was stopped before the roof or walls fell, but was so completely gaged by the fire that Chief McClure appraised it as a total loss.

OFFICERS' BLOCK EFFORT TO ESCAPE

Are Waiting For Prisoners When Latter Climbs Through Window of Jail. When Fred Hall and Shelby Williams, prisoners at the county jail under indictment for burglary and theft of over \$40, prepared to depart after having their way through the bars of a north window in the second story of the county jail Sunday morning they found Sheriff George H. Taylor and Jailer Bob McCall waiting for them, interested spectators of their work. A glimpse of the back of another prisoner who had been unrecognized showed that other prisoners were implicated in the frustrated jail break. The men had been turned in the run-around for their Sunday morning break about 9 o'clock and were about an hour later that the break for liberty was made. The men had obtained some cheap saw from some source and sawed the bars of the window opening on the north porch. The cut bars were discovered and the officers were ready.

HAWAIIAN QUEEN FAILING IN HEALTH

Former Ruler is Still Revered By Natives, Though Power is Gone. Associated Press Mail Correspondence. Honolulu.—The condition of Liliuokalani, the 78-year-old former Queen of Hawaii, continues to cause her friends grave concern. Her illness has been weakened so by its inroads that her attendants fear she may never fully recover. Though now seen occasionally by her carriage, she is easily exhausted and often falls asleep along the drive. Possessed of no more actual sovereignty than that of the Hawaiian stevedore, she is still accorded all the deference of royalty. On state occasions at her own home she is accompanied by ladies in waiting who wave peacock fans over her, while key-hill-bearers stand motionless at her side holding the royal kahili—feathered scepter of the Hawaiian monarch—admitted to pass behind "Her Majesty," nor must the shadow of any human being fall upon her.

LIBERTY WOMAN'S CHRISTMAS GIFT

Mrs. R. H. Covert Receives Unique Present From Number of Local Off Men. As a Christmas present from local off men Mrs. R. H. Covert, under indictment for the murder of her husband about two months ago, was presented on Christmas Eve under a bond which the off men signed as sureties. Since the shooting of Covert, who was an oil man, Mrs. Covert has been in jail unable to make bond.

THORNBERRY CHURCH HAS CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Monday night a splendid Christmas program was held at the Thornberry church in which a large number of the church people took part. The people of the community attended in large numbers, enjoying very much the songs and readings. The program follows: Opening song, scripture reading and prayer, Brother Witt. Song, "He Is Come"—Jessie Williams. Through the "Shining Gates"—Nannie Jackson. "I Have a Birthday"—Wesley Bell. "Why Christy Came"—Leta Culver. "Mama's Darling"—Maxine Bryan. Primary Song. "A Christmas Legend"—Edith Lyle. "Christmas Yokes"—Alvin Culver. Recitation—Ruth Laiders. A word of three letters—Fred Jackson. Song, "Christ is Born"—Number 12. "The Christmas Tree"—Jostie Simpson. Mary the Mother—Lillian Waller. "Christmas Bells"—Lena Bill Jones. "December"—Clarence Landers. "Christmas"—Velma Pierce. Song—Mable and Joseph Stephens. "A Secret"—Essie Simpson. Recitation—Lacille Powell. Recitation—Lois Staker. Song, "Dear Little Stranger"—Guido Shumaker. "Christmas Thoughts"—Mildred Jackson. "The Footblack's Prayer"—Ernest Powell. Song—"Keep the Bells of Christmas Ringing"—Number 23. "Christmas Receipts"—Lena Bell Jones. "Santa Claus Will Come"—Guido Shumaker. "Little Belles"—Ruby Griffin. "How to be Happy"—Gladys Culver. Song—"While the Christmas Time is Here". "Auntie Kate's Letters"—Margie Rouse. "A Christmas Carol"—Mable Stephenson. "The Little Christmas Lamb"—Cora Walker. Song—"Send the Tidings"—Number 47. CHIEF OPERATOR ENTERTAINS TELEPHONE GIRLS DEC. 23. Miss Pearl Stephens, chief operator of the Southwestern Telephone Exchange, entertained the girls of the exchange with a banquet Saturday evening, December 23 in the restaurant of the telephone building. Following the feast, music, games and dancing formed diversions. There were about 75 girls present.

MORE BONUSES ARE PAID TO EMPLOYEES

Wichita Mill and Other Concerns are Givers—Many Men Are Affected. Reports of more and more Christmas bonuses to employees of various corporations continue to reach us, exceeding both in number and size those of any previous Christmas in this city. The per cent bonuses paid the employees of several oil companies, previously mentioned, were the largest and most sweeping known here. One local concern, the Wichita Mill & Elevator Company, gave its employees bonuses amounting to seven and a half per cent of the 1916 salaries of all except office employees, who received five per cent bonuses. The American Express Company's local employees shared in a bonus amounting to a 100 month's salary to all employees who have been in the service a year. Those whose year is not yet up will receive a bonus when they have completed twelve months' service. About a dozen men are affected locally. A large number of local concerns remembered employees with Christmas bonuses ranging in size from a few dollar checks to bonuses amounting to one to four weeks' salaries.

POOR REMEMBERED AT CHRISTMASTIME

Sunday Schools, Boy Scouts and Other Ben. The One is Overlooked. "The poor ye have always with you. Think injunction given so long ago holds true today and at Christmas time particularly those blessed with the goods of this world remember the unfortunate brotherhood. In Wichita Falls particularly the spirit of Christmas giving was exemplified in the large contributions made to the needy by the churches and charitable organizations on Sunday and Monday. In some of the homes visited by the messengers of charity other visitors had preceded them, disease, misfortune and even death, take on added weight. There were instances where the husband and father had been a year of suffering for weeks and the story of the struggle of the mother and children to sustain life was easily read in the meagre furnishings and the empty larder. There were little children ill and wasting away from lack of nourishing food and some times it was the mother who was fighting the battle of life alone, with a hungry brood to take care of. The baskets of food and dainties were gratefully received by all without exception and those who had undertaken the mission of delivering the gifts from the churches and Sunday schools experienced feelings of pity and sorrow at seeing distress and need with a satisfaction in relieving the time being at least this distress and of bringing smiles to the faces of children for whom the Christmas time is designed as a joyous season and to the parents as well. There was not so much absolute want and abject poverty found to those making the rounds of the city as there has been in seasons past when work has not been so plentiful in the majority of instances the homes had been visited with some tune which disabled the father or the mother. Other homes had no father and some neither parents; in some cases a fourteen year old boy was the sole means of support. The Boy Scouts under Scoutmaster Sproules delivered 25 baskets Monday afternoon to as many families; Ogo Smith and Harry Naylor for the First Presbyterian Sunday school visited 16 families, leaving generous supplies of provisions at each place visited; several classes of the First Baptist Church remembered needy families with Christmas baskets and the M. E. South Sunday school took up a cash collection for needy supplies to be distributed some time this week.

WHISTLING BUOY HAS TRAVELED 3300 MILES

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 18.—The roving voyage of a whistling buoy has just been written into maritime records by the United States Bureau of Light-houses and its courses charted by the hydrographic office of the navy in the interest of science. A whistling buoy, stationed off Massachusetts coast to mark the location of the Nantucket shoals light ship began its wanderings on Jan. 20, 1915 and with its wailing to mariners, continued its voyage for a year and seven months. It was recovered Aug. 16, 1916 in some position approximately 275 miles northwest of Bermuda by the French cruiser Marsellaise, towed to Bermuda and since has been turned over to the Bermudian authorities. The officers of the Marsellaise have been appropriately thanked by the United States and the buoy, which has been unaccountably sought by steamers of the light house service and other government vessels after having been reported at various points in the North Atlantic, is again ready for service, after overhauling at New York.

HOW WOMAN SAVED RAILROAD BRIDGE

Employees Magazine Has Story of Woman at Oiney Who Rose to Emergency. How a Young county woman saved the Katy railroad from certain loss and possibly the lives of numbers of people is told in an interesting story in the Employees magazine for December. We read of women engaged in new activities of all sorts every day. One of the most interesting is that of managing the selection of workers in a national industry, a third covers her self with glory as an auto racer. At the same time a woman was chosen for the first time to sit in the halls of Congress on the Katy, at Oiney, Texas, there lives a woman who unheralded and unassuming, recently saw her opportunity to perform a real service out of the usual line of womanly accomplishments and without further ado, got busy and performed the service.

WIRE FROM BORDER TO ORDER DODGE CAR

An interesting commentary on the high favor in which the Dodge Brothers Motor Car is held by government troops on the Mexican border is afforded by a recent incident in Massachusetts. Capt. Harry Martin, of the 10th Cavalry, had a frequent occasion to observe the car in operation during his prolonged sojourn in the "land of the bandits," and became convinced that its ability to surmount the rigors of that country was short of remarkable, considering the fact that more than 200 of the cars were on duty and practically all of them maintaining the same dependable record. Consequently he made up his mind that he and three that he would own a Dodge Brothers car. When the order came to purchase a car, he wired Mr. N. G. train arrives, he wired the Dodge Brothers dealer in Springfield. Needless to say, the dealer saw the value of so enthusiastic a testimonial, and it is somehow that Capt. Martin had to his wish, despite his own difficulty in keeping cars in stock.

HENRIETTA MAY AID IN DEVELOPING GAS

Situation There Results in Naming of Committee To Cooperate With Wichita Falls. Henrietta will probably cooperate with Wichita Falls in the effort to replenish the natural gas supply, as a result of the situation in the Clay county town. Natural gas supplies at Henrietta later than they did at Wichita Falls, but appear to have hit there considerably harder, bringing an increase in domestic rates of 100 per cent. At the meeting at Henrietta last week a committee consisting of C. Parker, J. J. Calhoun, Carl M. Worsham and T. F. Berger was named to cooperate with Wichita Falls in securing gas from sources other than those now available. It is expected that this committee will communicate with either the Chamber of Commerce or the Wichita Falls Fuel Development Company with a view to joining in the effort to open a new gas field. The fuel development company was formed with the idea that the gas was found should be for Wichita Falls interests alone, but it is probable that the cooperation of the Henrietta interests would be desirable. The situation at Henrietta arose from the fact that the gas company supplying that community found it difficult to obtain gas during the winter months and it was found that natural pressure and information to the consumers that it would be necessary to install a compressor, requiring an advance in rates from 20 cents to 40 cents per 1000 cubic feet. A mass meeting was held last week, resulting in the appointment of the committee to work with Wichita Falls.

RELATIONS BETWEEN JAPAN AND AMERICA Cause of Increasing Alarm In Orient

Associated Press Mail Correspondence. Tokio.—That the relations between Japan and the United States occupy the minds of the Japanese people has been evidenced during the past six weeks when a large number of articles concerning that subject have appeared in newspapers and magazines. The authors have addressed themselves with considerable freedom and frankness to the question. Most of them have been optimistic, seeking to find a solution of matters at issue; others "jingoistic" in tone, have voiced pessimism as to the future. The discussion has hinged largely on China. It is to be noted, however, that more eminent and representative writers have placed themselves in the first line, while the lesser known and more sensational Japanese commentators belong to the second. Japan's present unprecedented prosperity which is chiefly due to the European war, has swept through the country for long periods. Japan's position should be attaining such great material progress and it has awakened all minds to the vast possibilities of continued and constant growth and advance in finance, industry and commerce. Developments are to be noted in all directions and if the war continues for long periods, Japan's position will be greatly enhanced. She will reduce her national debt, she will expand her already immense shipping, she will strengthen her industries and above all she will extend her commerce. It is the great nation of China to which Japan looks with eagerness for commercial growth and China is the crux of the relations between Japan and the United States in the immediate future. At Tokio the belief prevails that Japan will continue to endeavor to increase her political influence in China. But Japanese business men are constantly clamoring for a political ascendancy that will not be so abrupt or so imprudent as to endanger a peaceful economic conquest of the neighboring republic. But differently conservative Japanese want to break down the barrier of distrust existing in China against things Japanese and replace it with a feeling of confidence which will establish free trade relations based on business factors. The readiness with which the Chinese recently granted American capital, Halist's concession to build a long railroad and their hesitation in making contracts with the Japanese has awakened Japanese to the fact that ascendancy in China to be successfully accompanied by some measure of trust and confidence. At this particular moment the Japanese idea in the desirability of cooperation with the United States in the development of China. The idea was suggested by Judge Elbert H. Gary, chairman of the board of directors of the United States Steel Corporation, during his recent visit to Tokio, and it is understood that some plan of cooperation along broad lines is now being tentatively elaborated by representative Japanese commercial leaders. Although the Russo-Japanese alliance which calls for mutual cooperation in the defense of their special interests in China is actively in operation there is no present proof of prevailing fears that Japan will permit the alliance seriously to prove inimical to the economic interests of America.

PENNINGTON'S Removal Sale Prices Continued on Ladies' Coats—Ladies' Suits and Kimonos also on Men's and Boys' Suits and Overcoats. Although our Removal Sale closed Saturday night and we are invoicing and preparing to move, we have plenty of salespeople to give you our usual prompt and efficient service. SALE PRICES WILL CONTINUE IN THE ABOVE-NAMED DEPARTMENTS. Pennington's WICHITA FALLS

Relations Between Japan and America Cause of Increasing Alarm In Orient. The idea of co-operation finds favor both in government and non-official circles. It is especially emphasized by Viscount Kentaro Kaneko, member of the Frisy Council, in the October number of Chuo Koron or Central Review. Viscount Kaneko, who knows the United States very well, and knows a good deal about the temper of the American people, comes out flatly in favor of an economic alliance with the United States in respect to China. His reason is that a program of harmony and understanding would avoid needless competition and work to the best interests of Japan, the United States and China. He said: "Japan might make temporary profits by dumping her commodities in China and driving away American goods from the market, but such an act would hardly improve the relations between Japan and America." As he saw the situation they had much better define their respective spheres of economic activity. As an instance he pointed out that Japan might monopolize the small hardware trade in China and leave to Americans the market for nails, iron pipe, etc. He concluded: "The American might sell fine threads. It is by such means that a conflict of interest could be avoided. America added: "If such an effective economic alliance be concluded, agitators may do what they like—there will be no conflict between the two countries." Turning to the question of immigration, Viscount Kaneko expressed the opinion that if the Japanese immigrants in the United States are understood there it is largely their own fault. They are not inferior to European immigrants; they are inferior to them in the way they are treated. He said: "Let America's ambitious policy on the Pacific be warning to us people of an Oriental state. We, as well as the Chinese, should awaken from our delusions, throw aside our petty quarrels and combine against the common enemy." Dr. Kacutami Ukita, the historian and well-known editor of the Taisy Magazine, discusses American questions in a leading article on the effect of the Russo-Japanese alliance in the control of domination of the Pacific. He believes that by that alliance Japan has strengthened her position in the Asiatic continent. Pointing out that during the war the Pacific ocean will be exclusively dominated by Japan, Great Britain and the United States, Dr. Ukita says that some of the tools of a "taxidermist" and a manual of instructions. A few weeks ago he killed a prairie chicken while on a hunting trip. He brought the bird home and mounted it. The chicken is now on display in the "Woods & Wicks window and it is a fine specimen of the taxidermist art.

E. G. Hill Has Added Taxidermy to His Other Accomplishments

LAW SUIT LIKELY ON TRAVIS FIRE

SCHOOL BOARD NOW SEEKING TO FIX RESPONSIBILITY FOR LOSS MAY INVOLVE CITY

Question of Gas Inspection Figures School Board May Have to Bear Part of Loss

Efforts of the school board to fix the responsibility for the loss by fire of the new Travis school building last week have brought developments that threaten litigation in which the city of Wichita Falls may be a party as a result of the installation of gas connections in the building.

The board may fall upon the school board instead of upon Carr & Blake, whose contractors are also present. Several conferences have been held on the matter within the past few days.

The prospect of the city becoming involved arises from the provision that where gas connections are made for a building, the pipes, etc., must be inspected and the facts in connection with the Travis fire are now being sought with a view to ascertaining what inspection was made.

The provision in the surety bond given by the contractors calling for the completion and delivery of the building which calls for the insurance of the building, is a feature which threatens to throw the loss on the school board.

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It has not yet, and may not be definitely established that the fire was caused by gas connections as alleged from the sheriff's department are yet working on the incendiary theory, and while they have been able to uncover little which would tend to establish an incendiary origin, they have not yet satisfied themselves on this point. Reports that the stoves had been burning at night have been current, but no connection has been established between the stoves and the fire.

COMMITTEE HAS GIVEN APPROVAL TO BUDGET PLAN

At a meeting of the committee appointed by President Huff to co-operate with Secretary B. F. Johnson in his plans for reorganization of the Chamber of Commerce, held in Frank Kelly's office this afternoon, the committee approved the constitution and by-laws drawn up, embodying the plan of organization suggested by Mr. Johnson, and provided in The Times, and also approved the budget of \$20,000 planned for next year. The money is to be prorated as follows: Salaries, \$5,000; office expenses, \$1,500; publicity bureau, \$5,000; industrial bureau, \$2,500; traffic and transportation bureau, \$1,000; mercantile bureau, \$500; agricultural bureau, \$500; convention bureau, \$1,800; civic bureau, \$500; miscellaneous, \$500. Members of the committee are: A. H. Carrigan, J. L. Jackson, Frank Kelly, P. H. Pennington and R. O. Harvey, with President R. E. Huff and Secretary Johnson executive members.

ELECTRA MAN BUYS CANADIAN CATTLE

County Commissioner H. H. Haynes Stocks His Ranch With Imported Breeds Still more high bred cattle are being imported into Wichita county and the movement is no longer confined to the immediate vicinity of Wichita Falls. H. H. Haynes of Electra, county commissioner from the Electra precinct, recently acquired a small herd of Canadian cattle, which he has placed on his ranch north of Electra. Concerning his venture the Electra Leader says: County Commissioner Haynes returned this week from an extended trip to Canada, where he spent a few days looking over the thoroughbred cattle and selecting a small herd with which to stock his ranch north of the city. He brought a herd of seven bulls and six cows back with him, the consideration for the lot being over \$3,500. Mr. Haynes has in the past been very prominent among the cattlemen of Wichita county and has always advocated a better stock of cattle. It is his belief that with this bunch of cattle he can raise the standard of his own cattle and those of his neighbors to a very great extent. The cattle he shipped in are known as the Ross Durkin winning animals. Mr. Haynes purchased them in Wyoming, Canada.

BUSY SESSION OF CITY COURT TODAY

31 Cases This Morning on Variety of Charges—One Fine of \$100 is Assessed

Although most of the prisoners taken by the city police during Christmas were turned loose, as soon as they sobered up, to make room for others continually coming in, and to enjoy the Christmas season, 31 persons charged with various offenses were before Judge Whitelaw in the city court this morning.

Of the 15 cases of intoxication, nine resulted in minimum fines \$5 each, one got \$10 one was dismissed for cause, another passed and two others which were joined with an affray charge were fined \$10. Four charges of affray, caused two \$5 fines, one judgment of not guilty and one continuance. Of the four cases of vagrancy two were passed, another fined \$5 and one fined \$25.

A Cuban charged with disturbing the peace drew the banner fine, \$100. The evidence adduced at this morning's trial showed that he had been abusing his wife. Another disturbance caused a \$5 fine. Of three charges of speeding, pleas of guilty were entered to two and the other was continued until in the morning. Indications being that the case will be fought before a jury. Three small boys charged with shooting fireworks in the city limits were released after a lecture by Judge Whitelaw.

Prisoners on the misdemeanor side in the county jail were also released for Christmas, thirteen being released by Jailer Bob McFall Sunday morning and an additional half dozen Christmas morning.

POSTAL RECEIPTS MAKE NEW RECORD

December Business Far Ahead of Any Previous Month's Showing Here

With the postal receipts for December approximately \$1,500 more than for the same month last year at the close of Saturday night's business the present month gives indications of being marked down as the biggest month's business in the existence of the Wichita Falls post office. It has handled over a fourth more mail than was ever handled in a month before.

In spite of the unprecedented volume of business the work at the local postoffice has moved as smoothly as usual and no great accumulation of mail matter is in evidence as a result of the holiday rush.

CHRISTMAS BUSY TIME FOR OFFICERS

Holiday Season Marked By Numerous Disturbances and Accidents Locally

With a fatal shooting in the negro quarter Friday night, an explosion of a torpedo in a child's mouth Saturday night, a serious automobile accident Saturday night, an auto theft on the same night, a fatal stabbing affray in the rear of a bar room last night, an attempted jail break Sunday morning, four fires yesterday and today and 29 cases of all manner of minor offenses such as affrays, disturbances of the peace and the like, the Christmas season passed off with that degree of bustle and excitement demanded by a certain element and the authorities had their hands as full as expected by them around the anniversary of the birth of the Prince of Peace.

In addition to this there were hundreds of minor disturbances which did not come to light, hundreds of others which would have resulted in police entanglement at any other time being passed off by the overworked and harassed police authorities and the release of dozens from duration vile to make room in the jail for others whose condition made their confinement more necessary for the time being.

Market Report

Fort Worth Live Stock. By Associated Press. Fort Worth, Dec. 25.—Cattle receipts, 500; market nominal. Steers, \$6 to \$8.50. Stockers, \$5.50 to \$6.75. Hogs, receipts, 2,000; twenty cents higher, bulk of sales \$10 to \$10.25. Sheep receipts 15,000, steady; lambs \$9.50 to \$11.50.

Chicago Grain. By Associated Press. Chicago, Dec. 25.—Wheat prices took an upward slant today, influenced largely by hopes of an improved foreign demand. The market, however, showed considerable nervousness, owing to uncertainty on the space outlook. Opening prices, which ranged from 1-8 off to 1-34 advance with May at \$1.69 1-2, and July at \$1.38 to 3-4, were followed by a slight reaction and then by substantial gains all around. Corn followed wheat. Wheat closed unsettled; 1-8 to one cent net higher with May at \$1.68 1-2 to 3-4, and July at \$1.38 1-4 to 1-2.

New York Cotton. By Associated Press. New York, Dec. 25.—The circulation of January notices caused an irregular and unsettled opening in the cotton market, with first prices 22 points lower to 22 points higher. January sold up from 16.39 to 16.75, while May advanced from 17.20 to 17.51.

Cotton closed steady, January, 16.74; March, 17.16; May, 17.38; July, 17.45; October, 15.79.

THREE ARRESTS MADE FOLLOWING THEFT OF CAR

Three local parties have been arrested by local officers and charged with implication in the theft of a Ford car belonging to Less Harrington of this city. The car was taken from the Wichita Horse & Mule barn late Saturday night and after being driven five miles out on the Turkbarnett road ran out of gasoline and was robbed and abandoned. John Whit was arrested by Deputies McFall and Jernigan, Earl Clarke by City Officer Melver and Deputy Sheriff Lassiter and Roscoe Arburke by Deputies McFall and Glenn. Whit was later released. The others were allowed bail.

Local News Brevities

We re-line, pad and make your furs into the new shapes, phone 1221 Home Tailoring Co. 45 tfc

At St. James Hotel, New Year's night—Jan. 1st, dinner, \$1.00. Music.

We sell grade A milk and purity commercial buttermilk Pure Milk Products Co. 192 tfc

The Wichita Falls Eagles will hold a Christmas tree and a social meeting tonight at the lodge rooms. Ed Anderson will make the opening remarks and discussion of the Eagles' convention to be held here next spring will be a feature of his talk.

Cut flowers and floral designs a specialty. Donnelly Floral Co. Phone 9-7. 29 tfc

E. G. Hill, undertaker, office and parlors 900 Scott Ave. Phone 225. Prompt ambulance service. 92 tfc

D. M. Perkins & Company, Fire Insurance & Real Estate, 605 Seventh, Phone 520. 175 tfc

Application having been made for a charter and the necessary machinery having been ordered and shipped it is thought that the new union laundry will be in operation some time in February, according to County Judge Harvey Harris, president of the company, and County Clerk M. P. Kelly, general manager.

Milk is the cheapest food product on the market, the best is always the cheapest. Grade A is the best, for sale at Pure Milk Products Co. 192 tfc

All persons are warned not to hunt or fish, cut wood or timber on lands under my control. All privileges here before given are revoked on or after July 11th, 1916. W. M. Coleman, Scotland, Texas. 194 tfc

At St. James New Year's night, January 1, Dinner \$1.00, music. 194 tfc

A family reunion was held at the home of Mrs. J. H. Huggins, corner Eighth and Burnett streets Christmas day. Those present included Sam Huggins of Amarillo, Jack Huggins and cotton market, wife of Childress, Joe Huggins of Childress and Dr. TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY FOR SALE—Young Leghorn hens, phone 762. 194 tfc

McKellar and wife of Loveland, Okla.

The following marriage licenses were issued today: Herman R. Chitwood and Miss Nellie Cutright; Fred C. Powell and Miss Margaret Swope.

Dr. Scharff, Osteopath, K & K Bldg. Purity double cream will always whip, for sale at Pure Milk Products Co. 192 tfc

D. M. Perkins & Company, Fire Insurance & Real Estate, 605 Seventh, Phone 520. 175 tfc

Card of Thanks. The girls of the local telephone exchange wish to thank all who remembered them so nicely during the Christmas holiday with candy and fruit. Especially do they wish to thank W. M. Priddy for the gift of an art square and two upholstered rockers for the rest room and J. C. Hunt for a nice rocker and a large quantity of fruit. MISS PEARL STEPHENS, MISS TESSA JOHNSON, Committee.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Duncan 1405 Lamar nine pound boy, December 25th.

LODGE DIRECTORY

The Brotherhood of American Yeomen meet every first and third Friday night of each month at new Odd Fellows' hall, 705 1/2 Seventh & West. L. C. Robertson, Cor.

Knights of Pythias

Meet Friday Night, Second Floor New Masonic Building. H. P. WODGE, C. C.

The GLOBE CLEAN-UP CLOTHING SALE

Starting today for 15 days, we will inaugurate the greatest Clothing Sale in the history of our business. We must have room for our large Spring Stock soon to arrive, and are determined to close out our present stock and not carry any over for another season; Hence, is the reason for these ridiculously low prices

\$12.50 and \$15.00 MEN'S SUITS \$8.95

\$17.50 and \$20.00 MEN'S SUITS \$11.95

\$22.50 and \$25.00 MEN'S SUITS \$14.95

Each and every purchase is guaranteed as represented—Your money cheerfully refunded, if for any reason you choose to return same

\$27.50 and \$30.00 MEN'S SUITS \$16.95

Included in our sale, is our entire stock of Men's and Boys' Clothing, Over-coats, Rain-coats, Mackinaws coats and Pants

See Our Window Display The GLOBE Ohio Ave. & 8th St.

Who Has Ticket No. 213

Anyone having Ticket No. 213 should present same at Wichita Hardware Company on or before January 6th

Wichita Hardware Co.

TRY TIMES WANT ADS FOR QUICK RESULTS

Wichita Auto & Taxicab Co. Under New Management. 723 Ohio Avenue. PHONE 1518. Stand Palace Pool-Hall PHONE 1518. We Go Anywhere at Any Time. Our Service is the Best. Train Calls Promptly Attended to. CECIL BAILEY and CARL FLEMING, Managers

Wichita Theatre
Monday, January 1st
NEW YEARS—Matinee and Night
SELWYN'S LATEST AND GREATEST FARCE COMEDY
 Direct from One Year in New York.

Weather Report
Fair and Warmer
Selwyn & Co.
NOW IN ITS 2ND YEAR IN NEW YORK
Sunburst of Laughter
By Henry Hopwood

MATINEE AT 2:15 P. M.
Prices: Matinee, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00; Night, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50.
SEAT SALE AT REXALL DRUG STORE, THURSDAY, 10:30 A. M.

EMPERESS THEATRE

TODAY
GAUL KANE
 IN
"THE SCARLET OATH"
 Her mother dies because of merciless persecution. She and her twin sisters are taken to America, where they are brought up apart, but with knowledge of their mother's wrong deeply imbedded in their consciousness. One sister becomes engaged to marry an American diplomat agent. The other is sworn into the ranks of the dreaded Klu Klux Klan. The two sisters give Gaul Kane the best opportunity yet accorded her and she certainly makes the most of her chances.
5c and 10c—Tomorrow—5c and 10c
THEODORE ROBERTS and ANITA KING
 IN
"ANTON, THE TERRIBLE"
 (From the story by Thomas M. Uzzan)
 The story, which created such a sensation when it was published in the Saturday Evening Post has to do with the intrigues in a Russian general's staff, shortly after the outbreak of the present European war.
5c and 10c—Prices—5c and 10c

MAJESTIC THEATRE

TODAY
"THE GRASP OF GREED"
 A tremendously interesting drama, founded on H. Bauer Haggard's great novel "JOHN MCGIBSON WILLIE" replete with conditions—ripping with excitement with
LOUISE LOVELLY
 leading a splendid company of players.
VICTOR MOORE
 In a Paramount comedy "The Best Man" there is to be seen Mr. Moore in his charming, funny, and wise "The Best Man" one of the cleverest comedians of the screen.
5c and 10c
TOMORROW
BRYANT WASHBURN and MARGUERITE CLAYTON
 IN
"THE PRINCE OF GRAUSTARK"
 In "The Prince of Graustark" the story is told of a prince who is banished from his kingdom and goes to live in a foreign land. He meets a girl who is the daughter of a king and they fall in love. The prince is eventually restored to his kingdom and they live happily ever after.
CHARLIE CHAPLIN
 IN
"THE RINK"
 The story is told of a man who is banished from his kingdom and goes to live in a foreign land. He meets a girl who is the daughter of a king and they fall in love. The prince is eventually restored to his kingdom and they live happily ever after.
5c and 10c

At The Theatres
 The program today at the Majestic Theatre is a Paramount comedy "The Best Man" with Victor Moore in the lead. The story is told of a man who is banished from his kingdom and goes to live in a foreign land. He meets a girl who is the daughter of a king and they fall in love. The prince is eventually restored to his kingdom and they live happily ever after.
 The program today at the Empress Theatre is "The Scarlet Oath" with Theodore Roberts and Anita King. The story is told of a man who is banished from his kingdom and goes to live in a foreign land. He meets a girl who is the daughter of a king and they fall in love. The prince is eventually restored to his kingdom and they live happily ever after.
 The program today at the Majestic Theatre is "The Grasp of Greed" with Louise Lovelly and Victor Moore. The story is told of a man who is banished from his kingdom and goes to live in a foreign land. He meets a girl who is the daughter of a king and they fall in love. The prince is eventually restored to his kingdom and they live happily ever after.
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SALVATION ARMY CHRISTMAS TREE

HUNDREDS OF CHILDREN MADE HAPPY AT ANNUAL HOLIDAY EXERCISES

SANTA CLAUS THERE

Distributes Candy, Fruit, and Toys to Young Folks—Pleasing Program—Accredited

The Salvation Army's Christmas tree, an event anticipated for many weeks by hundreds of Wichita Falls children and which always brings a happy realization, was held Monday night in the Army Canteen on Seventh street. There were fully 300 people packed into the hall and many more unable to get inside.

It was a spectacle that had to be seen to be appreciated. Rows upon rows of little boys and girls, with a liberal sprinkling of grown-ups, sat patiently through the program of songs and recitations until the "Welcome to Santa Claus" was sung, then cheered wildly as he came in and flashed on again to find old Santa himself on the platform ready to provide the toys and good things that in any season are so much needed. Christmas brought to the recipients both joy and tears shone on the faces of those who watched the scene and who saw how joyfully the little ones bring happiness to the little ones scattered there.

Every child received toys, a bag of candy, and some fruit. This did not constitute the whole of the program, for by any means, for some dozens of baskets of groceries had previously been distributed, bringing Christmas words when the Santa Claus seemed that Christmas was not to be. The work of Ensign and Mrs. Robb and their corps of helpers may be seen in all seasons, but Christmas time it shines in its full glory and it was not hard for those who attended to realize the truth of Mayor Britain's words when he said that if helping others brought happiness, Ensign Robb must have been the happiest man in Wichita Falls last night.

The hall was decorated in true Christmas style, with festoons and wreaths and Christmas bells, but the eyes of the children saw only the tree, glimmering with stars, loaded with gifts and banded by great heaps of candy and fruit.

The program began with a fervent prayer by Ensign Robb, Mayor Britain was then introduced and he expressed his pleasure at being present and recalled to the children the joy of speaking at the Army's Christmas tree a year before, he had voiced the hope that the next Christmas would find the reality in a similar town; that hope, he pointed out, had been fully realized. It was a grand thing, the mayor said, that someone like Ensign Robb should try to make so many people happy. The unappreciated person in Wichita Falls, he continued, was that person who had not thought about anybody else at Christmas. He pointed out that folks were those who had done all they could for everyone.

The remainder of the program was given to recitations, songs and dialogues by the young people present, the performers ranging in size from very little tots to near grown-ups. Their offerings were liberally applauded. Some suffered from stage fright, little knees knocking together as they stood, while others said their pieces with the abandon and sang freely, with experienced performers. Very few forgot their lines, and it was usually the other ones who suffered in that regard rather than the blindest ones.

The program finally swung into a song by a number of girls, "Welcome to Santa Claus." They sang of sleigh bells and sure enough you could hear the sleigh bells. Then the lights went out and shrill deafening cheers rang through the darkness. When the lights were on again a few seconds later there was the saint himself, just like the pictures, dispelling any doubts that there might have been. It was the same old Santa Claus that everybody knows, a man about the size of E. F. Hill. He called for the hands of those who had been good children during the year and the result was as unanimous as a vote by ballot. Lots in New Braunfels. Then the distribution of gifts began, the children filing by the platform in a seemingly endless line. At the end of the line, a table was set up where good things had been almost entirely depleted.

The "The" "Singing" assisted Army members in keeping order during the meeting and their assistance proved very valuable.

BURKBURNETT BOYS BEING GIVEN PIGS

Number Distributed in That Section—None Given Out So Far in This Vicinity

FACTORY IS PLANNED

Proposition Declared Entirely Feasible and Would Make Use of Patterson Machine

J. A. Kemp will leave tomorrow for Austin where on Thursday he will attend a conference of Texas capitalists and agricultural workers who will consider plans looking to the establishment of a plant in Texas to make paper out of cotton stalks.

Mr. Kemp and Wichita Falls are particularly interested in the proposition because the state department of agriculture considers that the movement will fit in admirably with the development of the invention of W. A. Patterson of this city who has devised a machine for crushing cotton from the stalks. Mr. Kemp has received a letter from W. A. Patterson explaining the possibilities of the cotton stalk paper process and urging his participation in the plans.

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MAKE PAPER OF COTTON STALKS

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ENGLAND EMPLOYS STILL MORE WOMEN

Apparently No Limit to Work They Can Do—Number Steadily Increases

London—The saying that woman's place is in the home has little application in war time. There are now in the British Isles 3,219,000 women employed outside their homes. It is generally recognized that their rally to work "in the national interest" is going to make it difficult for Parliament to refuse the demand for sufficient which will be renewed when hostilities end.

During the first two years of war the increase of women workers, exclusive of purely feminine occupations, was 2,600,000. Of these 260,000 directly replaced male labor. In other words, more than three-quarters of a million women left their homes to replace that number of men for military service. In most instances the women went into the munition plants, where a considerable number of them have given up their lives in "doing their bit."

There seems to be no limit to the class of work women can do. At first it seemed strange to see women in purely feminine occupations, such as stenography, typewriting, bookbinding, etc. The number of women employed in railroad work has increased more than 200 per cent. Ordinarily the only railway post open to women were clerks and carriage-cleaning tasks.

Now there are women ticket collectors, porters, engine cleaners and workshop laborers. In Glasgow and some other cities women are being tried out as tram drivers or motor women.

Interesting statistics regarding the women's part in war work have been collected by the employment bureau of the Board of Trade. The number of women recruited to industrial occupations between July, 1914, and July, 1916, was 362,000. Of this number, 260,000 directly replaced men. In commercial occupations the increase in the number of women workers was 245,000, while the number of women replacing men in this class was 201,000. This apparent discrepancy is accounted for by the transfer of women from the feminine side to the male side of the establishments. The increase in women clerks amounts to only 45,000, all of whom, however, have replaced men.

The increase of women workers in hotels and places of entertainment is only 13,000, yet the number of men produced in these establishments is 21,000, many of the old female employees now doing the work of men.

There has been much more discussion lately as to whether the city woman is a success on the farm and the point is far from settled. Nevertheless, 60,000 more women are working steadily in agriculture today than in July, 1914. In 1914 there were only 2,600 women employed in government arsenals and dockyards. Now there are over 7,000. English women formerly employed 8,000 women. Now they have 18,000. And so it goes through all the industries.

As a whole the industrial post-war problems are going to offer much food for reflection, and to be amicably solved will require an intelligent and "square dealing" equal to the best thought and energy put forward in the war itself.

INTERNATIONAL LAW MEETING IN JANUARY

By Associated Press

Washington, Dec. 26.—Plans for the second annual meeting of the American Institute of International Law, comprising five delegates from each of the national societies of the 21 American states, to be held in Havana beginning January 22, are well under way. The meeting, which is of importance even that of last year is anticipated. Dr. James H. Scott, president of the institute and Dr. Alexander S. Sutherland, secretary, are now in Washington working on the program, which is expected to be announced shortly.

The meeting is to be held in Havana at the invitation of the Cuban government, which has planned the appropriation of 10,000 pesos for the expense. Many sources of entertainment have already been arranged, such as a gala day at the race track and the opera trip out through the country, and so on, to Havana, Matanzas.

The meeting sessions of the conference are to be held in the Academy of Sciences, the afternoon of the day, and the evening sessions are to be given over to social events.

At the first meeting which was held in Washington last year in conjunction with the Pan American convention, the very important pronouncement as to the rights and duties of nations was "down on which received the approval of the delegates of other states, that none was entitled to violate international law, and that if one did it was the moral duty of the others to protest energetically."

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 Down by the sparkling stream
 And make reality out of a dream
 You may ever upon me lean
 Sure as palms are evergreen.
 I'll make you dear, my partner true,
 With a wreath of mistletoe
 Plucked by the gates of the Old Alamo.

She has promised for the to wait
 By the beautiful Alamo gate,
 In that fascinating city
 Of the famous Lone Star State.
 I was standing on guard
 And the hour was growing late,
 Yet she was waiting for me
 We were married there at eight.

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PERSONALS

W. D. Benson and son of Lubbock, Texas, are here visiting his daughters Mrs. Rhea Howard and Mrs. Jack Shelton.

Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Brinson of Chitticothe, who had been visiting during the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. F. Baker of 1104 Holiday, returned home today.

Clint Tillis, secretary of the State Printers' Council with headquarters at Dallas, was in the city today.

Miss Margaret Kelly of Hendrick, Okla., arrived today to visit friends.

Mrs. Holloman of Seymour, was in the city today on route home from a visit with relatives in Hollister.

George Godard of Corpus Christi, who had been visiting relatives in Frederick, was in the city today.

J. C. Hunt and family left today for Long Beach, California, where Mrs. Hunt and their daughter will probably spend the remainder of the winter.

Ott Gasline came over from Denton to spend Christmas with E. B. Gosline and family. Ote is manager for the North Texas Gas Company at Denton.

Cedric Hamlin is home from T. C. U. at Fort Worth to spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert M. Hughes of Dallas who had been spending the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Hughes' parents Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Blair have returned home.

Miss Francis Kavanaugh of Dallas who had been visiting her sister Mrs. J. A. Kavanaugh of 204 6th street during the holidays returned home today.

Mrs. G. Leathers of Lella Lake who had been visiting Mrs. C. P. Probe of 1203 Lamar avenue during the holidays returned home today.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Brown of Goodnight are visiting Mrs. C. F. Priebe of 1204 Lamar Avenue during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Priebe are visiting relatives in Sapulpa during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Norton and daughter Miss Lora Norton of Fort Worth who had been visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Norton of 1632 Eleventh street and Mr. and Mrs. B. G. O'Neal of 2004 Eleventh street returned home today.

Rev. and Mrs. George O. Bachman of Chattanooga, Tennessee who had been visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Brown of 1518 Twelfth street returned home today.

Judge and Mrs. J. T. Kearby of Willis Point are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Peery of 2408 Tenth street.

Mrs. H. A. Fairchild and daughter Miss Roberta Fairchild of Ada, Oklahoma arrived today for a visit with Mrs. J. L. Waggoner of 1500 Eleventh street.

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A. A. Adams of Waco, arrived today on visit for a few days with friends.

E. F. Facker of 1104 Holiday avenue went to Dallas today.

Miss Marvin Smith went to Henrietta today to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Price and son of Oklahoma City are here for the holidays visiting Mrs. Price's mother, Mrs. L. W. Perham, 806 Bluff.

Wade H. Arnold of the Northwestern general passenger office has returned from San Antonio where he spent Christmas with friends.

S. H. McClure of Paris is visiting his brother, Fire Chief J. L. McClure.

Mrs. S. E. Fisher of Chicago, Illinois, Walter McAbee of Amarillo and John McAbee of Los Angeles, California are visiting during the holidays with their parents Mr. and Mrs. W. McAbee of 512 Burnett Avenue.

J. D. Daley of Dublin, Texas, was here Saturday and Sunday visiting his mother, Mrs. Cowan of 907 Austin, who is quite ill. Mr. Daley is editor of the Dublin Progress.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Trevathan, formerly of this city, now of Vernon, spent Christmas with relatives here.

SEVERAL PRISONERS WANTED ELSEWHERE, HELD

Three parties wanted at other places on felony charges were arrested and are being held by the sheriff's department. W. W. Stewart arrested Sunday by Deputies McFall and Jernigan is wanted at Sweetwater on a charge of forgery; Lucien Swanson, a negro arrested by Deputy Sheriff Glenn is wanted on five cases of bootlegging at Sherman and a man named Parks, arrested by Sheriff Hawkins is wanted on a charge of horse theft at Archer City.

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