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BARUCH OUTLINES PLANS FOR RELIEF

Farmer Situation Analyzed In Report to Agricultural Board.

New York, Dec. 7.—Bernard Baruch, at the request of the Kansas state board of agriculture, has prepared a report for that institution, outlining remedies designed to ameliorate the plight of farmers throughout the country.

Briefly, his recommendations may be summarized as follows:

1. Creation of adequate, modern storage facilities, under public supervision.
2. Certification of farm products as to grade and amount by licensed graders and weighers.
3. Use of certificates, issued by the graders and weighers as the basis of sales and purchases, as well as the basis of financing.
4. Reservation of a fair share of the credits of banking and financial institutions during certain periods for crop movement.
5. Collection and distribution to farmers of all market information through trained experts by the agricultural department. This information to be of the kind and character now in the possession of buyers and consumers of farmers' products.
6. Creation of a new source of credit for the farmer, namely, the private investor, by establishing of financing corporations to make loans on warehouse receipts.

Baruch goes into the subject of co-operating buying and selling on the part of farmers and his views are of interest both because of his international reputation as an economist and because of the present pressing problem facing the farmers of the country.

"The farmer," he says, "now finds himself in the predicament of having a crop partially cut off from its normal market, former trade routes limited and unable to finance himself unless he is willing to sell his products at very great sacrifice, in many instances well below the cost of production. If necessary credit is not extended so that the farmers may secure a reasonable return for their efforts they will suffer severely and restrict their efforts. And the consumer, who is virtually concerned in the maintenance of a normal flow of products, will suffer in the end."

Certain things, says Baruch, "must be done," and the theory of his recommendations to the Kansas agricultural body is that "in the marketing of his products, the producer must be placed on an equal footing opportunity with the buyer."

The cornerstone of the whole subject he holds to be sufficient storage warehouses for cotton, wool and tobacco, or elevators for grain at primary points to carry the peak load in the distribution of the product. These storage facilities should be "preferably under private ownership," "but in event private capital is lacking," should be under state ownership, "and in all events under state or federal supervision."

Bee Keepers' Association.

About thirty farmers engaged in bee culture met at the Commercial Club rooms on Saturday of last week and organized the Houston County Bee-Keepers' Association and elected officers for the ensuing year as follows:

President, Farmer Shaw, Lovelady; vice president, E. N. McManners, Crockett; secretary-treasurer, Geo. M. Jeffus, Crockett.

The meeting was addressed by C. S. Rude, assistant entomologist from College Station, and presented in a forceful manner all of the advantages the state is now offering the bee keepers. He pointed out the advantage of co-operation that would result from an association of this kind. He told how they could group together to buy supplies to be used in bee-keeping, and how they could profitably market their surplus product after supplying the home demand.

It was decided that the regular monthly meetings of the association should be held in Crockett at the club rooms on each Saturday before the first Sunday of each month. It was also suggested that later in the spring, with the advent of warm weather and the bees are getting in good building up condition, a meeting be held at some member's bee yard to hold a picnic and field-meet that can be made an educational as well as one of social enjoyment.

It is to be hoped that every bee-keeper in the county will join the association, and as an extra inducement to join it is stated that at the next meeting an order for supplies will be made up covering the necessities of all the members. Those who have beeswax on hand should bring it that day and make up a bulk shipment and exchange it for foundation and other supplies. The secretary will have prices from manufacturers and dealers.

Quiet But Pretty Wedding.

Mr. Dan Julian of Denison and Miss Lois Millar, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Millar of Crockett, were married in this city Sunday afternoon at 1 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents. Rev. S. F. Tenney, the Presbyterian pastor, performed the ceremony. The wedding was a very quiet, but pretty, home affair, only a few of the immediately relatives and close friends being present. Following the simple but impressive ceremony, the bride and groom left by automobile for Trinity where they caught the south-bound Sunshine Special for Houston and San Antonio, thus evading the usual shower of rice and old shoes at the home railway station. They will be at home in Denison after December 15. Born and reared in Crockett, the bride is one of this city's brightest and most popular young girls. The bridegroom is also a native of Houston county, having been brought up at Kennard, east of Crockett. He is a son of Mrs. George Julian of Kennard and is fast making his way to success in the business world. For a while he was connected with the Crockett Drug Company, then later with the Bratton Drug Company of Palestine and is now in the same business at Denison. Both the bride and the bridegroom have many friends in and out of Houston county who wish for them every happiness and all possible success.

The Japanese government plans to amalgamate all electrical enterprises to stabilize the industry and make more economical the exploitation of water power.

Inside the lid of a new food container is hinged a measuring spoon brings out a level spoonful of the contents of the device when the lid is removed.

JUST A WORD WITH OUR SUBSCRIBERS

What a Friend Has to Say About the Courier in Private Letter

The Courier has another good list of subscription renewals this week—about three times as many as last week—for all of which we are indeed thankful during these stressing times. A friend, writing to compliment the Courier on the publication of a certain item, says that the Courier has "an eye single to the welfare of the great host of unfortunate farmers who are among your constituency." Also, "I believe, from the tone of your paper, that you are fully aware of the situation, and that you are doing your part, which is not small. Allow me to congratulate you on your good judgment and sympathetic grasp of the conditions." Our friend will please accept our thanks for his complimentary letter, which was not written for publication.

Among the number calling to renew or subscribe or sending in their renewals and subscriptions since last issue are the following:

- S. W. Duitch, Grapeland Rt. 1.
- J. B. Dawson, Creek.
- Mrs. W. B. Page, Crockett.
- Mrs. George L. Hughes, Richmond, Va.
- Mrs. T. H. McAfee, Slidell, La.
- E. A. Williams, Crockett Rt. 4.
- K. D. Lawrence, Lovelady.
- Mrs. C. J. Dewitt, Montgomery, Ala.
- T. L. Glenn, Crockett Rt. A.
- Mrs. R. O. Calvert, Lovelady, Rt. two.
- J. S. Cook, Crockett.
- Hyman Harrison, Los Angeles, Calif.
- Mrs. Joe Adams, Crockett.
- C. W. LeGory, Crockett.
- Henry Powers, Crockett.
- S. K. Boykin, Lone Oak.
- Dr. J. L. Heard, Crockett.
- O. C. Aldrich, San Juan.
- R. F. Hail, Crockett Rt. 4.
- J. A. Washington (col.), Trinity.
- Rev. W. M. Nelson (col.), Crockett.

Some Healthy Co-operation.

Co-operation has come to be a much-used word in the discussion of our economic and industrial troubles, and undoubtedly it deserves much of its vogue, since its office is to deprecate those fierce competitions which are wasteful and even destructive. But that the virtue of co-operation is contingent on the ends to which it is put, and that it lacks the talismanic power which seems to be attributed to it by many of those who speak it as the answer to every economic and industrial problem, must have occurred to most of those who have read the reports of the investigation being made in New York into the operations of certain labor leaders, contractors and builders' supply men. The members of these classes co-operated with one another to an approximation of perfection that is not often achieved. The labor leaders co-operated in calling strikes, to the end that they might collect a heavy price for calling them off. The contractors co-operated, to the end that the lowest bid made for doing a job should be high enough to yield a profit which, on being distributed among them, would net each more than he could have hoped to make if he had got the

contract under competitive bidding. The builders' supply men—lumber men, cement men, hardware men, brick men, stone men and all others producing anything used in building—co-operated in the double-edged way of agreeing on prices and of selling only to those contractors who had organized themselves into a co-operative society. That these essays in co-operation were profitable to all those who engaged in them is unquestionable. But it has been made equally plain that they have been a sore infliction on everyone who has had to build or rent a house.—Galveston News.

YOUNG BOY STRUCK BY AUTOMOBILE

Ortice Scarborough, the 12-year-old son of Mrs. Martin Scarborough, was struck by the fender of an automobile and knocked to the ground Saturday morning, sustaining a broken bone just above the ankle in one of his legs. The accident happened when the boy ran into the street from the sidewalk in front of his mother's restaurant after a football that had been kicked off the sidewalk by some other boys. Not seeing a car that was being driven up to the sidewalk or misjudging the distance, he was struck and injured as above stated. The automobile was driven by Mr. A. C. Casey, who not only did all in his power to prevent the accident, but very much regretted it.

First Methodist Church.

Rev. E. A. Maness will preach at the First Methodist Church next Sunday at eleven o'clock and at seven o'clock. Public cordially invited to attend all services. A message of love for all.

The board of stewards has been elected and organized for the new conference year: I. A. Daniel, chair.; W. A. Norris, vice chair.; C. W. Moore, sect-treas.; J. B. Ellis, assistant sect-treas.; Earl Porter Adams, Henry Berry, A. B. Burton, Jno. S. Cook, J. M. Ellis, Jno. R. Harris, G. Q. King, G. H. Henderson, J. W. Madden, L. L. Moore, Jim H. Smith, Dr. E. B. Stokes, J. W. Young, J. Homer West, T. E. Walden. You are especially invited to be present next Sunday. Subject at 11 a. m., "God's Second Great Gift to Man."

Christmas Advertising.

The Courier is full of interesting Christmas advertising this week. For the next three weeks the Courier will contain much that is of interest to Christmas shoppers. From the next three issues of this paper the Christmas buyer will be able to make out his list of Christmas buying, which will be a great aid to both buyer and seller in the matter of making selections. Advertisement reading is not only profitable and instructive, but adds to the conveniences of shopping.

Bee-Keepers Meet.

A number of bee-keepers met at the Commercial Club rooms the 4th and organized the Houston County Bee-Keepers' Association. Mr. C. S. Rude, state apiarist from College Station, assisted in the organization. Officers were elected as follows: Farmer Shaw, Lovelady, president; E. N. McManners, Crockett, vice president; Geo. M. Jeffus, Crockett, sect-treas.

OPTIMISTIC OVER OUTLOOK FOR 1921

Close of 1920 Business Year Marks Turning Point to Normal, Says Board.

Washington, Dec. 5.—The close of the business year of 1920 is described by the federal reserve board in a statement Sunday night as the turning point in the transition from war production conditions to the normal economic basis of international and industrial life.

The reserve board's statement which reviews the economic and financial situation confronting the nation during the year, treats of present conditions generally in an optimistic manner, declaring that the difficulty of transition will not be much further aggravated. It also asserts that by reason of the nation's strong banking structure a normal situation will be restored with far less than the usual distress usually attendant on periods of readjustment.

The board declares that previous periods of marked readjustment have been accompanied by sharp reductions in price, heavy decreases in production, extensive unemployment and business reaction, often involving bank failures. While necessarily uncomfortable, the transition through which the country now is passing, the board announces, has thus far been attended with only a minimum of these unfavorable symptoms.

The financial situation both at home and abroad, however, is still uncertain, the board declares. This is held to be due to the date at which the war was over in the financial sense, and to uncertainty as to the best method of taxation. In international trade a return to normal conditions is now in progress, the board says. With the exception of agriculture, in which the output was the largest on record, production has been decreasing since the spring of the year, the board stated. Textiles, ship building and very recently the iron and steel industries exhibited tendencies of this nature.

The board describes the tendency in the retail trades as downward, the lessened activity occurring for the most part considerably later than the turning point in production.

The slowing down of the export trade of the United States during the year is attributed by the board in some measure to the exchange situation which it asserts has steadily deteriorated. American exports seem to be closely conditioned upon the volume of articles, the board asserts, and warrant the inference that there should be a larger movement of goods into the United States as a result of the extensive credits granted to foreign countries.

Some Postscripts.

Shoes invented in Japan for athletes separate the large toes from the others to increase their wearer's grip on the ground.

To refresh a wearer's memory a finger ring has been invented with a setting of celluloid on which memoranda can be written.

Having leather faced jaws an implement has been invented for sharpening safety razor blades by drawing them between its jaws.

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Hog goober seed at R. L. Shivers', tf.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. LeGory are visiting in Houston.

Joe Ed Winfree of Houston was here the first of this week.

Earle Porter Adams is attending the Masonic Grand Lodge in Waco.

Jimmy Gee of Huntsville was a visitor in Crockett Sunday and Monday.

Mr. J. D. Sims of Houston was a Crockett visitor at the end of last week.

Robert Hodges of Palestine was a Crockett visitor Sunday and Monday.

Mrs. Hallie Collins has returned from her recent visit to Birmingham, Ala.

Mrs. Sterling S. Minor of Jefferson is visiting the family of Dr. S. A. Miller.

Boys, boys! Come here and get your fireworks. We have them. tf. Arnold Brothers.

Rev. S. F. Tenney is expecting to preach at Oakland church next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

For Sale.

A Victrola at a reasonable price. For particulars telephone No. 362. 2t.

Mrs. J. D. Woodson and son, Jacob Dudley, have arrived from Fullerton, La., to spend the holiday season.

Rev. E. A. Maness and Hon. I. A. Daniel attended a Methodist laymen's meeting at Conroe this week.

Yancy Meriwether has returned from Washington and will remain in Crockett until after the holidays.

A young son of Mr. W. R. Turner sustained a broken arm Monday afternoon when cranking an automobile.

Miss Cecile Gibbs, one of Huntsville's most charming young maids, is the guest of Miss Clarite Elliott.

Miss Estelle Dear, who is teaching at Augusta, spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents in Crockett.

Real Estate and Loans.

See C. W. Jones, Crockett, Texas, office over Smith-Murchison Hardware Company. tf.

Hogs Wanted.

125 pounds and up. See John W. Markham, Crockett, Texas. tf.

Lime, Cement and Shingles.

On hand at the Crockett Hardwood Lumber Company—also all kinds of building lumber. 2t.

Lost.

One half of gold fountain pen staff. Finder please return same to T. B. Satterwhite and receive reward. 1t.

Tenants Wanted.

Several renters wanted to work acreage of the J. C. Clinton farm, 4 miles west of Crockett. Apply to Mike Younas or H. A. Fisher. 2t.

3 Per Cent Real Estate Loans.

The Best Plan to borrow money at the lowest rate of interest. The Best and Safest Investment for your savings. Under Supervision of Commissioner of Insurance and Banking.

THOS. B. COLLINS, AGENT CROCKETT, TEXAS.

We have received our Christmas apples and nuts of all kinds. tf. Arnold Brothers.

Poland China Gilts.

A few big-bone type Poland China gilts for sale by A. D. Durham, Rt. A, Crockett, Texas. Pedigree furnished. 1t*.

No, we decline to take a straw vote as to who is the most charming young lady in this community. They are all entitled to first prizes.

For Sale.

Burrough's adding machine, L. C. Smith typewriter, Ford delivery car and a desk. tf. Caprielian Brothers.

For Sale.

Burrough's adding machine, L. C. Smith typewriter, Ford delivery car and a desk. tf. Caprielian Brothers.

We have the ammunition you need for birds, squirrels, ducks and deer. Get our prices and save money. tf. Arnold Brothers.

Purse Found.

Found at the postoffice, in front of stamp window, a purse containing some money. Owner may secure same by paying for this advertisement and making proper identification. 1t.

Turkeys Wanted.

We want all the turkeys, chickens, eggs and geese you can bring us by Saturday afternoon and will pay the highest market price. 2t. C. L. Manning & Co.

Notice, No Hunting.

No exceptions—hunters are hereby notified to stay out of my pastures east of town. They are duly posted. 1t. H. J. Arledge.

Wanted.

A home for the winter with a nice family. I will work around house for my board. I am 72 years old, but can still do good work. Anyone needing a man write me at once, Lovelady, Texas. 1t. G. P. Palmer.

Cheap Lumber.

We have a considerable stock of distressed lumber on hand suitable for fence, bridge, barn and farm house construction that we will sell below the market price, retail or wholesale. If interested see or write us at Crockett, Texas. 3t. Arnold Bros., Merchants.

Lost.

Sorrel mare, eight years of age, blaze in face, right rear foot white, flax mane and tail, Spanish brand on right four shoulder. Disappeared from my farm at Cut about four weeks ago. Liberal reward offered for recovery of said animal. tf. C. W. Butler Jr.

That Christmas Present.

While you are wondering about what you are going to give some friend or relative for a Christmas present, why not settle the matter by sending the friend or relative the Crockett Courier for the coming year. Let the Courier be a weekly reminder to them of your thoughtfulness and friendship.

Clothing Reductions.

Millar & Berry, dealers in men's furnishings, are making some big reductions in clothing prices, as announced in their double-page advertisement appearing in the Courier this week. It will pay you to not only read this advertisement, but study this progressive firm's prices as well. You will have to have clothing. Your old clothing may last awhile, but you will eventually have to have new clothing. Why not buy that suit of clothes now and get the benefit of its wear during the holiday season? Then you will have these clothes for future wear and would more than likely have to buy anyway before the winter is over. Buy now and save some money. 1t.

Make Your Old Furniture Look Like a Christmas Present.

We remodel and upholster furniture of all kinds. We give it the polish and finish on the new article. We do your work promptly, and we keep our prices down. No one can do more for less. 1t. Quality Paint Co.

Coming Entertainments.

The "Passing Show," a musical revue by home talent, under the direction of Miss Whitmayer of Tulsa, Okla., and as a benefit of the Crockett Commercial Club, will be given in the City School auditorium Friday evening. The next entertainment in the school auditorium will be a Lyceum number and will be on Wednesday evening, December 15. The patronage of the public is respectfully invited to both of these entertainments, which are said to be two of this season's most meritorious.

To the Tax Payers of Houston County.

I shall be at the following places on the dates respectively named for the purpose of collecting 1920 taxes: Grapeland, Tuesday, December 14. Kennard, Wednesday, December 15. Ratcliff, Thursday, December 16. Weldon, Friday, December 17. Lovelady, Wednesday, December 22. C. W. Butler Jr., 1t. Tax Collector.

A novel beet harvesting machine loosens the earth from around the roots as it is driven over a field and sharp points carried on a wheel penetrate them and carry them to a conveyor.

On the roll top desk principle is a metal screen invented in England for motorcycle side cars which can be folded completely out of sight in good weather.

Visitor Complimented.

A number of pleasureable affairs are being given for Miss Clarite Elliott's visitor, Miss Cecile Gibbs of Huntsville. On Wednesday afternoon Miss Elliott entertained for her very charming guest and on Thursday morning Miss Delha Mildred Wootters was hostess for the attractive visitor from Huntsville. Other affairs are to follow in compliment of Miss Gibbs.

Important Notice.

Effectice December 1st, we will expect payment of our accounts between the 1st and 5th of each month for all groceries furnished during the previous month. This is in no sense a reflection on the credit of our customers, who will take no offense, we are sure. The stringency in business matters compels us to take this action. Banks have restricted credits, and jobbers likewise. Unless we collect our bills promptly we will not be able to pay our own obligations, and can't obtain further supplies. We will continue to deliver, and will serve our customers to the best of our ability, and hope to merit your continued patronage, but necessity demands that we rigidly collect our bills not later than the 5th of each month, and hope our trade will make their arrangements to this end. Very respectfully, H. J. Phillips, Johnson Arledge, Mike Younas, Kent & Trude.

For ferrying automobiles across rivers a Massachusetts man has designed a flat boat upon which a car can be run and connected to a propeller and rudder to navigate the craft.

Detailed research will be made in India in the near future with a view to determining the possibility of producing power alcohol on a commercial basis from native raw materials.

MONEY TO LOAN

BUY VENDOR LEIN NOTES. AETNA LIFE INSURANCE.

B. B. WARFIELD
CROCKETT, TEXAS.

One of the Oldest.

Mr. Eugene A. Williams, who has been a reader of the Courier for thirty-one years, called last week to again renew. Mr. Williams was one of the Courier's first subscribers and he says that if he had to do without the Courier now he would feel like he had lost a member of his family. The Courier hopes Mr. Williams may live to renew many times more.

Some Postscripts.

Building brick made by a new process from steel mill slag are uniform in size, can be dyed many colors and seem to increase in strength with age.

Swedish postal authorities have arranged for a regular air service from Stockholm to Malmo, Copenhagen, Hamburg, Bremen, Amsterdam and London.

For the guidance of commercial aviators Great Britain is planning to establish 20 meteorological stations that will supply hourly weather reports.

Argentina leads the world for linseed production, cultivating about 3,000,000 acres annually as compared with 2,000,000 acres in the United States and 1,000,000 in Canada.

A motor wheel mounted in a frame that terminates in a single runner supporting a saddle has been invented in Switzerland to combine the sports of motor-cycling and skating.

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The Gift of Gifts

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The problem is not a difficult one to solve. Nothing would give them more lasting pleasure than a year's subscription to this paper. It would be to them a weekly letter from home and a constant reminder of your thoughtfulness.

Keep the home fires burning in their memories. You furnish the \$1.50. This paper will furnish the fuel.

Send in your subscriptions at once, so they will actually have the paper on Christmas day.

The Crockett Courier

Crockett, Texas

THINGS BOYS LONG FOR AT CHRISTMAS

Youngsters Prefer Toys or Contrivances to Test Their Muscular Skill or Endurance.

What shall be said of that blundering kindness of home folk that considers giving the boy only presents of such things as he actually needs? It is an outrage upon the spirit of Christmas to present him with new shoes, ties, handkerchiefs—something that he knows he will get anyway—when his sleeping and waking dreams for weeks before have been filled with visions of tops, balls, guns and magic lanterns, says Maud Souder in the Woman's Home Companion. The most beautiful knitted muffler woman's fingers ever constructed cannot compare with a jack-knife with four blades and a cork-screw attachment, when exhibited over the back fence to a neighbor boy on Christmas morning. Very soon after the days of kilts a boy reaches the age when he yearns with his whole soul after any toy or contrivance that will test his muscular skill or endurance. At this age an appropriate present would be a rawhide or rope lariat, such as is used by the Buffalo Bill riders. A pair of hand or arm stilts will be received with equal favor, and in the same category comes a new fishing rod, snow shoes, tennis racket, golf clubs, a good ball, lamp or cyclometer for his wheel, or even a live pet, a new dog, a pair of rabbits or guinea pigs—something that he can pet and train for his own.

Alleged Dallas Auto Thief Held Under Heavy Bond.

For the first time in the criminal history of Dallas county, an alleged automobile thief has been bound over by a justice court under a \$2500 bond, charged with the theft of an automobile, according to the Auto Theft bureau of that city. In addition, it was the first criminal offense ever lodged against the person arrested.

The bond was set by Justice of the Peace Barnett in the case of M. L. Partin, charged with stealing a Chandler dispatch car belonging to Harry Stone of Dallas, which disappeared on October 10, and recovered on November 13 at Little Rock by the Automobile Theft bureau.

Up until a few months ago it was not believed by many that

a \$2500 bond would have been required for a first offense in an automobile theft case, as the records show that previous bonds in first cases varied from \$300 to \$750.

About five months ago Sheriff Harston of Dallas county made a new ruling concerning bonds of prisoners held in his custody after an indictment had been returned, and increased the amount to \$1000 and in some cases to \$2500, when it was the second or third time the same party had been charged with an offense.

Judge Barnett, according to the Automobile Theft bureau, has evidently sensed the popular indignation that thefts of automobiles have aroused in Dallas and evidently proposes to see that they do not escape answering to the charge by jumping a small bond and disappearing before the grand jury has had an opportunity to investigate.

M. L. Partin, the defendant, was at one time secretary to J. C. Gunning, captain of detectives at Dallas, later in the army, and afterward secretary to the captain of detectives at Fort Worth, and later, a private detective in that city, according to the Auto Theft bureau.

THE FIRST CHRISTMAS

(Luke 2: 1-14)

And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed.

(And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.)

And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, (because he was of the house and lineage of David).

To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.

And so it was, that while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.

And she brought forth her first-born son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there was in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

And lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone about them; and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them: Fear not; for behold I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all the people.

For unto you is born this day, in the city of David, a Savior, which is Christ the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

Moonshiners Captured After Fight in Mountains.

Lexington, Ky., Dec. 4.—Nine moonshiners were captured and a number of others are believed to have been killed or wounded in a battle between 30 moonshiners and 14 United States revenue officers, in the southern part of Bell county near the Tennessee border, according to reports received here Saturday night by Chief Prohibition Agent U. C. McFarland.

None of the government officers was injured, although more than 1000 shots were fired. Five stills were destroyed. The prisoners will be taken to Pineville Sunday.

The scene of the battle is in one of the wildest sections of the Eastern Kentucky mountains. The moonshiners who escaped fled into the mountains with federal agents in pursuit. The government agents left Holden, Tenn., the nearest railway point, Friday morning.



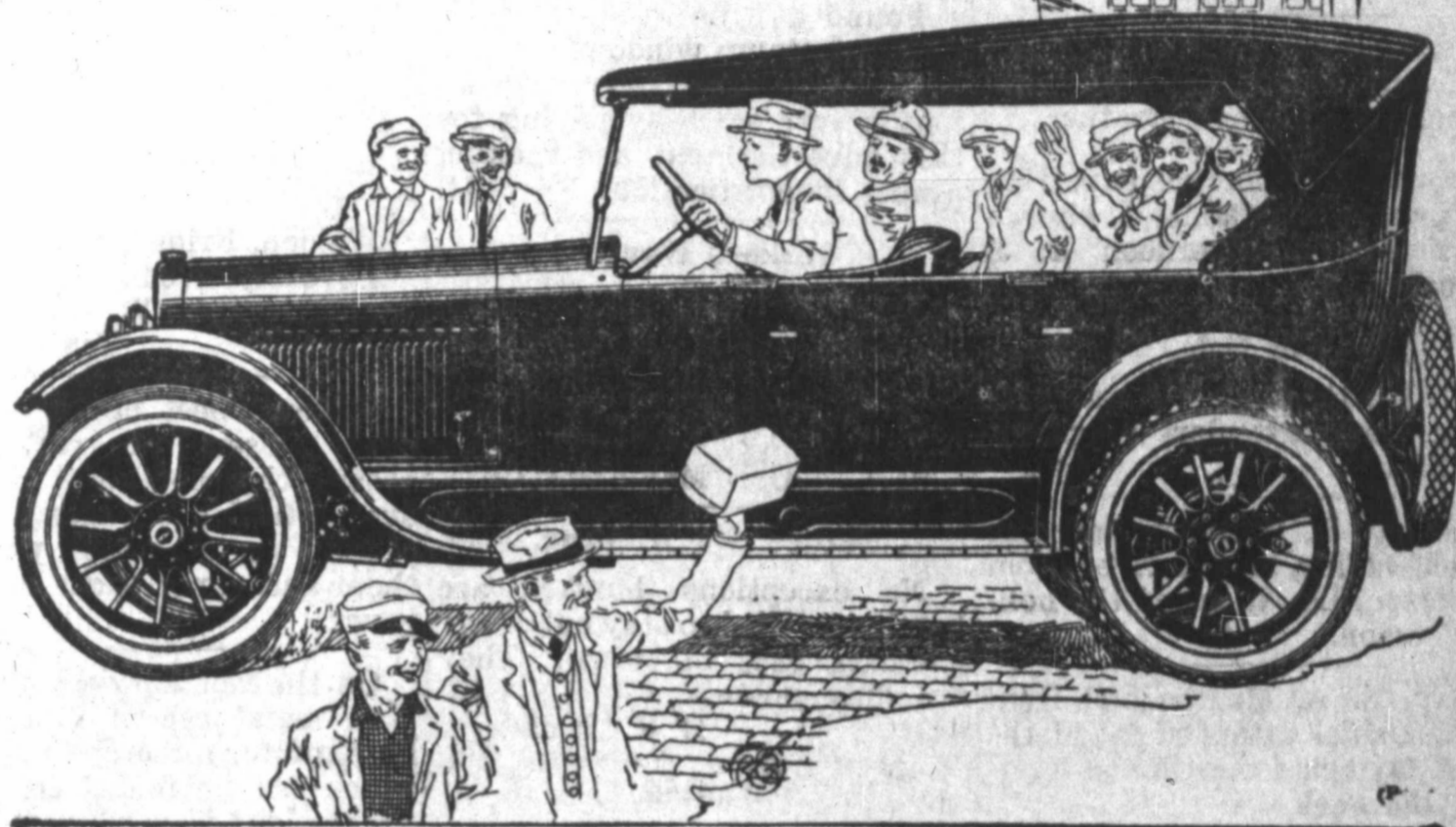
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GOOD TURNS MAY BE DONE ON CHRISTMAS

Chance for All to Aid the Friendless in Having Happy Yuletide Season.

Real purveyors of Christmas cheer may often find a market for their precious wares outside the pale of charity, for all homeless people are not necessarily poor, and neither are all childless homes necessarily unhappy. Housekeepers who are short on homes may combine these two lackings and make Christmas day a merry delight for the grown-ups in spite of these unfortunate conditions.

There is always something peculiarly pitiable in the idea of any one "flocking alone" which should appeal to the homemaker without a family, so that this should be the occasion for her to gather in all the bachelor maids and homeless men of her acquaintance and give them a joyful opportunity to "flock together." Even the Scrooges, if she knows any, should be rescued from their lonely bowls of gruel and persuaded to open their shut-up hearts and wear them outside for general inspection, as Dickens says, "For Christmas daws to peck at." Therefore, collect six or eight of these birds of a feather who are destitute of near-by kith and kin and make your Christmas feast a center of good cheer for all the charming solitaires you are able to draw within its radius.—Woman's Home Companion.

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CHRISTMAS TREE FIRE AVOIDED

Utmost Care Should Be Used in Trimming, Thus Preventing Fatalities in the Homes.

People cannot be too careful in guarding against fire when trimming a Christmas tree, says a correspondent in Good Housekeeping. There have been scores of Christmas tree fatalities in homes and in Sunday schools which a little care might have prevented. The writer once set a tree in a blaze, consuming nearly half of it, tinsel ornaments going with the green branches. A tiny candle had been wired too high, and it took only a few minutes of its brisk heat to char a branch above it and start a flame. A thick portiere was torn from its pole and thrown over the blaze. If it had not been at hand the light

window curtains would have caught fire in another minute. Since that Christmas our tree has always been placed in the center of the room, and we have eschewed cotton wool, tissue-paper angels, and celluloid ornaments. First of all, we wire each candle securely in place at the furthest end of a branch which has nothing above it, either fir tree or trimming. Then as the tree is denuded we watch carefully the fast-disappearing candles. Sometimes one of them, nearly burned down, will topple over or be merely a spark of flame, but near to something inflammable and be a menace.

Mohall Bank 20th to Close in North Dakota.

Bismarck, N. D., Dec. 4.—Notice that the Security State bank at Mohall would not open for business Saturday, was received by O. E. Loftus, State Bank examiner. This makes 20 banks closed in the State, all because of depleted reserves during the past three weeks.

A Tonic For Women

"I was hardly able to drag, I was so weakened," writes Mrs. W. F. Ray, of Easley, S. C. "The doctor treated me for about two months, still I didn't get any better. I had a large family and felt I surely must do something to enable me to take care of my little ones. I had heard of

CARDUI

The Woman's Tonic

"I decided to try it," continues Mrs. Ray . . . "I took eight bottles in all . . . I regained my strength and have had no more trouble with womanly weakness. I have ten children and am able to do all my housework and a lot outdoors . . . I can sure recommend Cardui."

Take Cardui today. It may be just what you need. At all druggists.

Baker Theatre

CHANGE OF PROGRAM EVERY DAY

MATINEE FRIDAY AND SATURDAY THIS WEEK

DO'S AND DON'TS AT THE POST OFFICE

Thoughtfulness on Part of Patrons of Uncle Sam Will Assist Clerks and Carriers.

Don't put off mailing that package until Christmas eve.

Don't neglect to tie it properly. It is handled at least five times before it reaches its destination.

Don't forget to write your own return address on all parcel post matter.

Don't guess at the package and give your friends the pleasure of paying "postage due."

Don't plaster Red Cross stamps on the face of packages or letters; take care not to "seal" parcel post packages with them. It raises the rate.

Don't forget that a little thoughtfulness on your part can help to make Christmas happier for Uncle Sam's men, his horses and his automobiles.

Do mail early, preferably before December 20th, writing on your packages: "Not to be opened until Christmas."

Do your best to use the post offices in the forenoon, the earlier the better.

Do write legibly, both the address to which you are sending the gift and your own return address.

Do be courteous and "Christmasy" to the post office men who serve you. They are handling thousands of pieces of mail matter.

Do be brief at the counter. You keep someone else waiting if you are loaded like an express truck, with packages and foolish questions.

Best of All Holidays.

Taking it all in all, it may be safely asserted that Christmas is the merriest and the best of all holidays, and one which is likely to be observed for ages yet to come. Nations may rise and fall, new beliefs and religions may sweep away the old, but that would seem, indeed, dreary and empty year which brought no merry Christmas in its annual round. May old Father Time long spare his holiday to mankind to gladden the hearts of all with its coming, and may each Christmas be still merrier than the last.

A correspondence sheet which folds to form its own envelope that has been patented has a transparent space at one end through which the address is seen.

PRIZE STEER SELLS LOWEST IN YEARS

Champion Stock at Exposition Command Small Prices.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 2.—If the sale of Black Ruler, grand champion steer of the International Live Stock Exposition sold at auction this morning, may be taken as a criterion, lower beef prices are in sight. The champion was sold to Wilson & Co. for only \$1.70 a pound on the hoof, or \$2,312. The official weight was given at 1,360 pounds.

The purchase price is the lowest in many years for a grand champion. Last year the title bearer brought \$2.62 a pound. Bidding on Black Ruler started at \$1. Only two firms were represented in the bidding, the auctioneer knocking down the steer to T. L. Crane of Wilson & Co. for \$1.70.

Black Ruler was fed and prepared for the stock show by Purdue University. The animal was selected as the best type of steer among 3,000 beef cattle on exhibition at the exposition by Walter Bigger of Delbattie, Scotland. It will remain on exhibition until Saturday evening and will then be slaughtered for Christmas beef. It is a pure bred Angus.

Ed Hall, who won the grand championship carlot of cattle prize, sold his winners to Armour for 30c a pound. They weighed 15,780 pounds, and were yearling Aberdeen-Angus cattle, one of the finest carlots ever shown at the international.

Christmas Joy Spoiled When Havana Whisky is Seized.

New Orleans, La., Dec. 2.—Alas, 'tis a sad story. New Orleans Christmas joy went glimmering today when a consignment of the finest Havana booze, intended for Christmas, was seized by customs inspectors aboard the steamship Matanzas of the New York Cuban Mail Line. When the liquor squad had completed checking the loot it was found to have netted 201 bottles of assorted liquids and cognac and eight cases of special brand whisky. It was loaded on the Davey and brought to the custom house. The liquor was concealed underneath the engine room floor.

Pretending to be rich is one of the things that keep a good many poor.

HOBBY DECORATES GRAVES OF HEROES

Governor of Texas Places Flowers on Tombs of Mexicans.

Mexico City, Dec. 2.—Interchange of sympathy for the heroism of patriots who gave their lives for their country and expressions of the most cordial and friendly nature as affecting the relations of one country to another marked today's sojourn of Texans in the Mexican capital for the inaugural ceremonies for President Obregon of the Mexican Republic. The most impressive event of the day was the visit of Governor William P. Hobby and delegation to the graves of Chapultepec cadets who gave their lives in defense of the castle against American attack in 1847. President Obregon, Victor Hernandez Covarrubias, president of Chapultepec Military Academy, and other high military and civil officials were present when Governor Hobby placed flower wreaths on the tombs of the cadets and were apparently profoundly impressed with the laudation pronounced by the Texas governor over the Mexican patriots. Governor Hobby declared he was glad that time had served to erase bitterness between the two republics and expressed the hope that friendship with mutual understanding would prevent the need of further sacrifices of the sort by either the United States or Mexico.

SHOULD MAKE OUT GIFT LIST EARLY

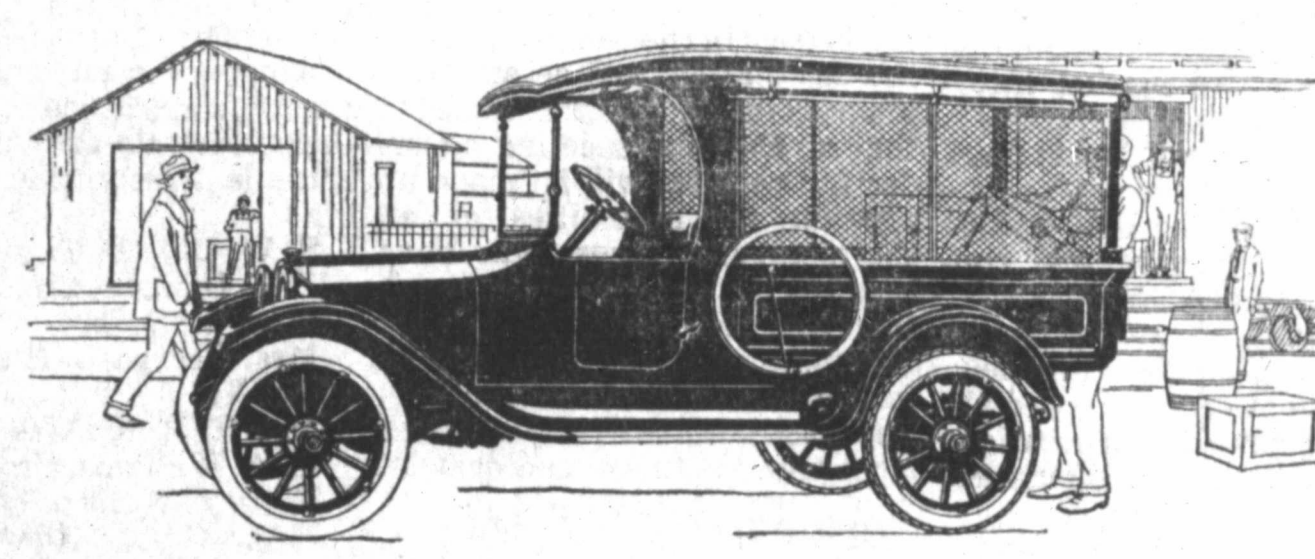
Thoughtful Shoppers Start Task Several Weeks Before Rush Begins in Busy Stores.

The buyer who really puts some altruism into her Christmas gifts makes out her list several weeks in advance. If she be a canny somebody she has kept her list of the year before and is able to see what were her gifts the preceding season, and thus avoid the risk of repeating herself. Still more canny is she if she has made mental or written notes from time to time of various articles for which she has heard a desire expressed by friends. Such note taking will greatly lessen her labors. For it is no light thing to choose Christmas gifts judi-

ciously. The whole secret of their acceptability lies in their appropriateness. Not only must they be appropriate to the person from whom they come and to whom they go, but to the circumstances in which the latter is placed. For an instance, there are few housekeepers who do not welcome an addition of fine linen to their store. But if to a housekeeper who lives plainly in simple surroundings one sends a superb lace-trimmed tea cloth or doilies that throw all her other possessions into the shade, there is an unsuitability about the gift that robs it of much of its charm.—Harper's Bazar.

Winter Plowing.

Several farmers are turning under the vines, stalks and weeds preparatory to another crop. Winter plowing is generally recommended in fields where a great deal of vegetable matter is present on the surface.



DODGE BROTHERS BUSINESS CAR

That the lightness of the Business Car is united to great strength is proven by the splendid service it is rendering everywhere under widely varying conditions.

The lightness of the car keeps the gas and oil costs down, and its sound construction renders repairs infrequent.

EAST TEXAS MOTOR COMPANY
Crockett, Texas

Why They Buy at This Store

We sell the same brands of foodstuffs year after year, and to the same people, with new ones added.

That means that these particular brands give best satisfaction, or people would not continue to buy them as they do.

But when a NEW article appears on the market that is worth having—in the same class—we are quick to get it, too.

Trade with us and be satisfied.

ARNOLD BROTHERS
Groceries, Feed and Hardware

LOANS ON FARMS

LANDS BOUGHT AND SOLD

J. S. FRENCH

Crockett, Texas

The Christmas Store

1920

Aged and Young

FIND GREAT DELIGHT IN OUR SPLENDID LINE OF ALL KINDS OF

Gifts for Christmas

We have put forth our every energy in an effort to make this splendid stock of gifts for Christmas the best we have ever offered to the public, and we believe we have succeeded.

Certainly any wish or whim can be gratified, if it is anywhere within the bounds of reason.

We have gifts that are useful, that are ornamental, and those that are a happy combination of both. They can not help but satisfy and please you.

We strongly urge you to inspect this stock, because we know the many advantages of making your selections therefrom.

Our Toys for Children

Make Santa Claus Smile

Bring the children in. They go delirious with delight when they see our great display of Christmas toys and other gifts. Nothing to equal them ever here before.

No matter how much or how little you want to spend, we have an article to meet your requirements—something that will bring exquisite joy to the heart of the little one.

YOU TOO—that gift you want for your adult relative or friend can best be selected at this store. Our gifts for Christmas have been selected with a definite object in view—that of supplying you with an article that is really appropriate to the Yuletide season, and yet one that will be genuinely appreciated by the recipient.

B. F. CHAMBERLAIN

The Christmas Store

WOULD PROHIBIT FOOD SPECULATION

Tax of Ten Per Cent to Freeze "Futures" Trading.

Washington, Dec. 4.—Senator Capper of Kansas Saturday made public his proposed bill to stop gambling in foodstuffs and cotton.

A tax of 10 per cent, designed to be prohibitive, on "future" trading in grain and cotton, except by actual owners or a limited class of traders under federal licenses, is the basic feature of the bill, which is to be introduced in the senate next week by the author, and in the house by Representative Tincher, republican of Kansas. The 10 per cent tax would apply to options and the measure would effect grain products as well as new grain.

"The bill will stop gambling in wheat, corn, cotton and other farm products," said Senator Capper. "It will eliminate the wheat pit and the blackboard. It will put out of business the thousands of wire houses and bucketshops * * * by making it impossible for gamblers and speculators to deal on boards of trade.

"The bill undertakes to preserve the legitimate 'hedge,' but cuts out all gambling and manipulations."

Farmers, dealers and manufacturers buying or selling grain or cotton for actual delivery would not be restricted by the proposed law, Senator Capper said.

Penalties High.

Penalties of 50 per cent of the proposed federal tax, a fine of \$10,000 and one year's imprisonment for violation of the bill's

provisions are incorporated in the Capper bill.

Sellers of grain, grain products and cotton who at the time of sale would be owners of the "actual physical property" and traders regularly engaged in growing, dealing in or manufacturing and registered with the internal revenue bureau would be exempt from the 10 per cent tax. Such traders, however, would be limited in their dealings to three times their actual transactions during the preceding year, and would be required to report all dealings to the internal revenue bureau.

In a statement outlining his bill, Senator Capper declared that only about 1 per cent of "future" trading in grain and cotton was bona fide. Millions of dollars were lost by farmers, as well as speculators, in the recent bear raid of the grain markets, Senator Capper declared, asserting that consumers as well as producers were the victims.

Condemns Exchange.

"The Chicago board of trade as now conducted," said Senator Capper, "is the world's greatest gambling institution. More wheat was sold in Chicago in the month of October than was raised in the entire United States this year. This year's corn crop was sold 14 times in Chicago before a bushel of corn had reached the markets. Only about 1 per cent of the trading done in futures is a bona fide transaction for actual delivery.

"There is not the slightest doubt that the gigantic raid made by the bears on the board of trade was the chief cause of the recent disastrous slump in the price of farm products. Because a lot of market gamblers find it convenient to bet on the daily quotations, the farmer who has been forced to sell his hogs and cattle at a loss while meat still sells at war prices is again made the goat. The farmer already has lost more than a mil-

lion dollars by the bear raid. Brokers and commission houses have cleaned up over \$40,000,000 in margins and commissions alone. The lambs who play the market have lost more than \$100,000,000 in the last 90 days in speculating in cotton and wheat.

"I find all grain and cotton dealers, millers and spinners recognize the evils of the present system and are anxious to stop gambling in food products. They will heartily support this measure to place the business on a legitimate basis. I am also assured of the support of the farm organizations. The commission houses, brokers, bucket shops and market speculators generally will fight it."

About the Mistletoe.

Coles, in his "Art of Simpling," observes, "If one hang mistletoe about the neck the witches can have no power of him." Some lingering superstition remains in the present day, and in many houses a bunch of the mistletoe is suspended from the ceiling, under which the male part of the assembly have the privilege of taking the ladies and saluting them. At the same time they should wish them a happy new year and present them with one of the berries for good luck. In other places people try by lots by the cracking of the leaves and berries in the fire.

Service "Trying."

Frederick, Okla., Dec. 4.—The first American soldier to be seriously wounded on foreign soil during the late war, George L. Box of Altus, Okla., was married here Saturday to Miss Gladys Steed of this city. Box is 25 years old and is engaged in farming near Altus.

"I didn't mind German guns much," he said after the ceremony, "but this marrying proposition is trying on the nerves."

FIRST CHRISTMAS OBSERVANCE.

It is said that Christmas was first observed in the year 137 and that it was not until the year 137 that it was made a solemn feast. Pope Telesphorus decreed that it should be celebrated by all Christians in that year. On one early Christmas day the Roman Emperor Diocletian, hearing that the Christians assembled in their church were engaged in celebrating the birth of Christ, commanded

that the doors of the church be closed and the building set on fire. This was done and six hundred persons lost their lives in the burning church.

CROCKETT TRAIN SCHEDULE.

South Bound	
No. 3, Houston Express	10:21 A. M.
No. 1, Sunshine Special	3:09 P. M.
No. 5, Houston Limited	1:33 A. M.
North Bound	
No. 4, Local Passenger	11:46 A. M.
No. 2, Sunshine Special	2:40 P. M.
No. 8, St. Louis Limited	3:44 A. M.

Bad Colds

Make BAD COUGHS. Besides being a NUISANCE, a BAD COUGH is more or less DANGEROUS. Do not permit your COUGH to linger. Get a bottle of

Nyal's Petroleum Emulsion With Hypophosphites

and take according to directions and you can almost feel that cough vanish. It is a palatable preparation and one long recognized by the medical profession.

Price \$1.00

Goolsby-Sherman Drug Co.

GRADUATE PHARMACISTS.

Two Phones: 47 and 140

Dependability

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PRODUCERS AND CONSUMERS.

Hon. Thomas L. Blanton, congressman from west Texas, has written the Courier as follows:

The millions of city consumers who inhabit New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Pittsburg, Baltimore, Washington, Cleveland, Detroit, Chicago, St. Louis and our other large cities, while demanding and getting their \$6, \$8, \$10, \$15, \$20 and \$25 for 6 to 8 hours work each day, are constantly demanding that everything they eat and wear be furnished to them at the lowest minimum. They never give a serious thought to the subject of a living wage to the producer who feeds and clothes them. And I am afraid that it has been the clamoring of these millions of city consumers, whose votes are very much desired, which has caused free raw materials to be written into Democratic platforms. Much too long have we Democrats permitted rest-needing politicians to entwine into our platforms and policies some city-vote catching

slogan to the detriment of our producers. With blinking eyes we Democrats have sat by and let our brother Republicans pass their measures to place a duty upon pearl buttons, chemical glass, surgical instruments, tungsten, magnesite and the numerous other products their rich millionaire friends are interested in, thus placing unneeded millions into the pockets of a few wealthy millionaires and we have let our worthy producers appeal to us in vain.

The proper solution of this question more vitally concerns the consuming millions in cities than anyone else. For suppose our producers were to get tired and quit? There would be starvation in cities. When the manufacturer can't make a profit he shuts down and prevents loss. But after the producer prepares and plants his ground in the spring, and arranges for the season growth of his flocks and herds, there is no shutting down for him, without losing his whole year's income. He must combat drought, floods, disease, grasshoppers, boll weevil, rust depredations, plots of gamblers and the score of other enemies that seem to combine for his destruction. Just now there is ample demand for our products abroad, but want of funds and credit prevents a sale. At an enormous expense we have built a large merchant marine, so essential in bringing the markets of the world to our producers, and we must not let it stand for naught or slip out of our hands. We must find a safe way to assist worthy purchasers to obtain necessary credit. We must see to it that our producers are not forced off of their farms and ranches.

Thomas L. Blanton.

A successful farmer remarked to this writer recently that all hands should be urged to save all material around the place that will enrich the soil, and have it ready for the corn land at the proper time.

The 100-Cent Dollar!

For months many of us have done without things we needed because prices were higher than we could afford. Now the price barriers are down and we welcome an opportunity to purchase the necessities of life without fear that we are extravagant in doing so. It is a pleasure to know your dollar is worth 100-cents in buying merchandise at R. L. Shivers'. These prices are from 25 per cent to 50 per cent less than usual.

Success brown Domestic, per yard	15c
Heavy Outing in dark and light colors, per yard	15c
Men's hose and ladies' hose, per pair	10c
One lot Zephyr plaids, per yard	25c
One lot men's shirts	85c
Raincoats, overcoats—prices cut in two.	
Sugar, 10 pounds for	\$1.00
Matches, per box	5c
Four pound bucket lard	75c
All syrup, per can	\$1.00
Heavy Underwear, per garment	75c
Men's Overalls	\$1.95
White Crest flour	\$3.10
LaFrance flour	\$3.00

I haven't time to study up big words without any meaning and put in this ad, but will take time to make prices and sell goods lower than the other man. Everything will be sold at reduced prices.

R. L. Shivers

Dear Teacher

Please scuse Sister Mary for being late to skool. Yisterday she got wet in the a. m. and caught a chill in the p. m.

Don't be late in buying your Christmas gifts—buy something substantial. For instance, a good OVERCOAT, while you can get same at bargain prices—would make a nice present.

- AN ALL LEATHER SUIT CASE
- A FINE WARDROBE TRUNK
- A GOOD PAIR OF SHOES
- A SILK SHIRT
- HALF A DOZEN PAIR OF LISLE HOSE

Many substantial presents like these can be found at bargain prices at

THE BROMBERG STORE
WHERE BUSINESS IS ALWAYS GOOD

THE PASSING SHOW MUSICAL REVUE

Presented by the Commercial Club As Local Benefit.

HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM,
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10.

1. Children.
2. Carnival Scene.
3. Old Fashioned Garden.
4. Oriental Scene.
5. Japanese Tea Garden.

The Passing Show is being presented under the management of the Commercial Club, Crockett, Texas, December 10.

Directed by Beatrice Whitmayer of the Bock Producing Co., Tulsa, Okla. The Passing Show consists of choruses, solos, jokes and esthetic dancing. The little folks choruses consist of songs and dances.

The By-Jingo girls. The Boogy-Boo Chorus is made up of High School girls.

Old Fashioned Garden makes a picturesque tableau. The Japanese Tea Garden introduces a series of choruses, also solo dances.

Every one loves a good show—so you might just as well make your plans to attend. It.

Japanese to Avenge Crushing of Semenoff.

London, Dec. 4.—A Moscow wireless message Saturday says that in revenge for the crushing by the bolsheviki of the anti-bolsheviki bands of General Semenoff, the Cossack leader, the Japanese have seized the seacoast and closed the Manchurian frontier to the Russian Far Eastern republic.

In counting the good things upon which East Texas farmers are feasting—hominny, sausage,

turnips, eggs, chickens, milk, butter, sweet potatoes—there is another edible on the table three times a day which has no equal in the syrup family, and that is ribbon cane molasses. And back in the pantries are great loads of canned fruits and vegetables, all the way from one to three years old.

WONDERFUL SPIRIT OF GIVING.

Another year is nearing its close and with its ending comes that glad time, the Christmas holiday season. The absent ones are home again or if they cannot come there are the letters and tokens to be sent and received. The remembrance need not be expensive as to money value, to be very much appreciated.

Christmas is pre-eminently the children's day. Do not insist that Santa will not remember them if they are not good. For we all know that Santa Claus will surely come and the children know it, too. He did not forget us in our own childhood whether we were very, very good or not. Let us teach the children about the wonderful spirit of loving and giving that brings a happy Christmas time.

Amended Income Taxes.

Tyler, Texas, Dec. 1, 1920.

Editor Courier:
The Collector of Internal Revenue at Dallas, Texas, authorizes me to announce that taxpayers filing amended income tax returns upon community property basis will not be required to file bond for assessment of tax which is abated.

For the benefit of taxpayers who are readers of your paper, kindly give this information publicity. Respectfully,
L. J. Canafax,
Division Chief.

Tell him that you saw his ad in the Courier.

Starting Friday, December 10th

We are going to close out our entire stock of Suits, Coats,
Dresses, Blouses and Skirts

One-Half Off **At One-Half Price** **One-Half Off**

This big reduction in price does not stop with our Ready-to-Wear department, but extends all over the house. In many other cases merchandise is listed at

33 1-3 Per Cent to 50 Per Cent

Below Prices Prevailing Some Months Past

There is a reason for all things, and our reason for making these enormous reductions in price is "WE NEED THE MONEY," and of course everything will be sold for cash only.

CROCKETT DRY GOODS COMPANY

"The Place to Stop and Shop"

THE FEDERAL LAND BANK AGAIN

Information in Regard to Resumption of Operations—
About a Dividend.

There have been so many inquiries in regard to the probable date of the Crockett Farm Loan Association resuming operations that the secretary visited Houston last week with a view of learning all that was known on the subject at the Houston Farm Loan Bank.

The date depends of course on the handing down a decision by the U. S. supreme court in a suit that was brought by the associated farm loan mortgage companies of the country attacking some features of the measure that created the system. At the bank in Houston it was firmly believed that this decision would be handed down on Monday, December 6, and if this proved true all local associations like the one in Crockett would be immediately advised of the fact and the method of procedure that would follow in resuming operations.

The secretary learned something else that is of much importance to those who have borrowed money through the Crockett Farm Loan Association. A dividend on the stock certificates held by each borrower has been declared and will be paid on the twentieth of this month provided all of the borrowers have paid their first of December dues. But if any of the members have not paid by that date the distribution of this dividend money will be withheld until the last one has paid in full.

As this dividend will be larger than any that has been distributed, amounting to several

hundred dollars in the aggregate, it can be readily understood how very important it is that every member who has not paid this last assessment should do so at once. It will readily be seen that a failure on the part of even a single member will prevent all the others who have paid from receiving their justly earned dividends, and this notice should be all that is necessary to secure prompt settlements.

More Help for the Farmer.

In discussing the efforts that are being made to secure new legislation by the congress that has just convened with President Gossett of the Houston Land Bank, the secretary was asked to write him the strongest letter he could, giving his ideas as to the reasons for such legislation, so that he could present it to the authorities at Washington, hoping it might help in securing the results they were after. The secretary has complied with this request and made an appeal for a measure that would assist the farmer to more extensively engage in dairying and livestock raising generally. If this can be worked out along these lines it will mean much for the whole cotton belt district of the South, and with the start that Houston county has made in this particular direction it will not be many years before we will be enjoying life in one of the most prosperous sections of this great country.

H. A. Fisher, Secretary.

We can imagine a condition far worse than the one we are now passing through. Suppose, if you will, that next year the South should produce a large cotton crop, and at the same time, fail to raise a living at home. That condition can be avoided by commencing in time to plant and cultivate a large acreage in feed and food stuff, and that is the only way of escape.

TRADE DEPRESSION IS WIDESPREAD

Decrease in Production Causes
Release of Many
Laborers.

New York, Dec. 4.—Official reports from 45 states, representing 95 per cent of the nation's population, reveal a widespread industrial depression, in spite of which no serious or general unemployment has as yet developed, the national industrial conference board declared in a statement made public here Saturday night.

This situation, apparently paradoxical, has developed when seasonal agricultural employment is at its lowest ebb in most sections of the country, with indications that unemployment slowly is increasing, it was stated.

"To understand the apparently contradictory situation of unemployment," the board asserted, "it is necessary to recall that the industries of our country are just emerging from a period of intensive operation, that may without exaggeration be called a period of super-production.

Labor Shortage.

"In many localities there has been a chronic shortage of labor for several years. Over-time work has been general. The entire agricultural work of the country has been carried on short handed and farmers have been going without all year round help, which most of them sorely need.

High wages have brought a great inflow from villages and rural districts to the industrial centers. The country has never fully realized the labor shortage in minor employments which this condition brought about,

The present industrial depression has cut out most of the over-time that has been the familiar concomitant of industrial work in the war and post-war years. Short time is in evidence in many industries. Complete shutdowns have occurred and are occurring, but not in great numbers, nor for any great length of time.

Back Drift Is Slow.

"The labor, therefore, that has been released, has for the most part drifted back to the less attractive employments from which it was drawn to the high wage intensively operating industries and is not always unemployed, even when so reported. In some districts the back-drift has not as yet been sufficient to make up the loss due to the war-time migration to industrial centers. In these sections, an actual shortage of labor is reported."

In New England the unemployment picture is darkest, the board reported, because of the depression in textile and other industries peculiar to the section.

In the Eastern States employment is decreasing, but is still above pre-war levels.

Conditions in the South vary

considerably, but unemployment is reported growing generally.

The Middle West reported severe depression in automobile centers with other conditions nearly normal.

On the Pacific coast less unemployment is reported.

Closing its statement, the board said:

"Reviewing this picture of our country in all its extent, it appears that there has been a decided recession from the peak of activity and that some few industries and the districts dependent on them are suffering from considerable unemployment. Also it is apparent that unemployment is gradually increasing. In other districts conditions are normal or super-normal, and in some there is an actual shortage of labor.

"A resumption of industrial activity would probably show a shortage of labor throughout the country."

Never deny the babies their Christmas! It is the shining seal set upon a year of happiness. Let them believe in Santa Claus or St. Nicholas or Kriss Kringle, or whatever name the jolly Dutch saint bears in your religion.—Marion Harland.

GIFTS THAT ENDURE

Jewelry

SEE

John F. Baker

Prescription Druggist.

The Rexall Store.

MORALITY DECLARED NEEDED IN BUSINESS

Coolidge Flays Practice of Selfishness in Trading Relations.

New York, Dec. 4.—The necessity of observing the laws of morality in business was emphasized here tonight by Governor Coolidge of Massachusetts, vice president-elect, in an address before the Business Men's Republican Association.

Terming the action of the present democratic administration during the years before America entered the European war an example of what should not be done by business men—the avoidance of moral obligations—Governor Coolidge denounced practices of similar avoidance by men in business relations, who, he said, seek their own profit regardless of justice to others.

He cited recent wholesale cancellation for merchandise as an example of improper business methods. This course, he said, resulted from extravagant ideas assimilated during the prosperity of recent years.

"From 1916 to 1920 Americans have believed themselves in easy circumstances," he said. "True, prices were high, but the rewards of effort seemed higher still. All seemed so easy that people came to a condition where they did not care. There seemed to be an impossible demand for all human endeavor. It mattered little, then, whether duties were done, there was a complete spirit of take it or leave it, it is all you will get, of quality or quantity of goods or in service. This meant that people were not insisting on or meeting their obligations. Such a condition could have but one result."

The result experienced, Gov-

ernor Coolidge said, has been "disastrous."

"We are in an era of deflation and the public is trying to put all the burden of it on the producer by refusing to carry out its bargain," he declared.

The worst manifestation of this is the cancellation of orders, he said, "canceled not because it was supposed their cost could not be met, but because it was thought it would not be profitable to meet such cost."

Heavy Increase in Cotton Movement Reported.

Washington, Dec. 5.—Heavy increase in the movement of cotton was reported by the federal reserve board in its review of business conditions for November, although the report said a tendency developed in North Carolina and South Carolina toward a crop holding movement.

Cotton picking has been completed in Florida and nearly so in Alabama, South Carolina, Mississippi and Louisiana, but in upper Georgia the boll weevil had increased 50 per cent.

Further shutdowns and more extensive curtailments of working time of cotton mills in New England were reported operating from 30 to 40 per cent of capacity. Finishers of cotton fabrics billed 46,233,000 yards of white, dyed and printed fabrics during November, compared with 58,470,000 yards in September.

A number of lumber mills were reported closed in the Atlanta district. The 143 mills belonging to the Southern Pine association showed output 35.4 per cent below normal the last week of October, with shipments in excess of output. In the Mississippi valley 50 per cent of the mills were reported closed.

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H. J. PHILLIPS

COLD SPRINGS MAN IS KILLED BY AUTO

Fatal Accident Occurs at Houston On Street Near Depot.

Houston, Texas, Dec. 3.—Sam McMurray of Cold Springs died here at 10:45 o'clock tonight from injuries received earlier in the evening when struck by an automobile at the intersection of Congress avenue and Louisiana street. He was carried to the St. Joseph's Infirmary, but was so badly injured that he died shortly after.

Mr. McMurray, with J. S. McCoombs, a cousin, came to Houston tonight from Cold Springs. They registered at a hotel near the depot and had started to town, according to Mr. McCoombs. When they started across the street, he said, they saw the approaching automobile, but thought they had sufficient time to cross in front of it. Mr. McCoombs was also knocked down and received slight injuries.

Mr. McMurray was engaged in the mercantile business at Cold Springs and was vice president of the San Jacinto National Bank of that place. He is survived by eight children. The body will be sent to Cold Springs tomorrow for burial.

Chicago Exchange Head Condemns Plan.

Chicago, Dec. 4.—The bill prepared by Senator Capper for the regulation of grain exchanges "would lead to the entire elimination of the insurance feature of the grain market," Leslie F. Gates, president of the Chicago board of trade, declared Saturday. The result, he said, will be an increase in the toll for hand-

ling between producer and consumer. Handlers would find it necessary to cover additional risks of ownership by greater margins of profit, he declared.

"While purporting to be a taxing measure," Mr. Gates said, "It is, of course, not intended to be a revenue producer, but rather intended, through the imposition of a prohibitory tax, to do away with trading in grain for future delivery. While it purports to leave an opportunity for 'hedging' purchases and sales, any one at all familiar with the grain marketing machinery will realize that the passage of such a bill would tend to the entire elimination of the insurance feature of the grain market. In stead of preventing speculation, such a provision would necessitate speculation on the part of every cash handler of grain and its products.

"It is clear that the proponents of this bill share the general confusion as between gambling and speculation, and fail to appreciate that efficiency in evidence and economy in operation which makes it possible to handle grain from the producer to the consumer on a lower margin of profit for the so-called middleman than prevails in the marketing of any other commodity.

"It is not generally known that the entire toll on wheat is only from 7 to 10 per cent for all handlers between the farm and the foreign market.

"If there is a desire on the part of the people of this country to eliminate the present system of handling grain and its products and to pay the added cost incident on its marketing on a general merchandising basis, those who wish to accomplish this purpose should have sufficient courage to state their purpose in plain English rather than to pretend to be desirous of preserving the 'hedging' system while, as a matter of fact, they are destroying it."

SUGGESTIONS ARE MADE FOR RELIEF

Farm Credits Situation Is Analyzed at Conference.

Washington, Dec. 2.—Discussion over the farm credits situation, which was today considered at an informal conference of senators and representatives, has brought forward two distinct ideas through which the agricultural producing sections may be relieved by governmental help. One is to enlarge the warehouse law to an extent that would allow a greater holding movement, and the other to extend the powers of the Federal Land Bank system so that it may extend the character of credits to the agricultural producer that the business world obtains through the federal reserve system.

The distinct criticism leveled at the federal reserve board by farmers who have not been able to obtain credits, whereas those accommodations have gone to the business man, has developed that the system is actually inadequate, under the law, to meet the farm credits needs, since farm paper is considered not always as readily marketable as is commercial paper.

Rather than fasten the new policy upon the federal reserve board by additional laws, members of congress are giving attention to the feasibility of amendments to the farm loan law which, they think, will bring relief.

As it is, the treasury is able to do nothing more than make available money for the movement of crops, as it has done in the past, and the federal land banks to loan money on real estate, according to members of the board and treasury officials.

Amendment Considered.

It was learned today that the leaders are considering an amendment to the farm land bank law so that those banks may act as rediscount agencies for such as cattle paper, warehouse receipts on grain and cotton, and probably on those commodities stored in private warehouses, according to a fixed standard.

Another plan is to provide for long-time loans for the farmer through the bank banks, such loans to run six months or more on cotton and grain and two years on cattle. These loans would be made through farm associations, the organizations

guaranteeing the transactions on a mutual basis.

Members manifested interest in the suggestions put forward by the conference of governors of states at its meeting in Harrisburg yesterday. A committee will be named to bring the ideas for relief to Washington. The governors are of the opinion that the country's morale would be considerably lessened through continued talk about "disaster," admitting, however, that the situation is fraught with dangers to the agricultural producing sections, particularly in the Middle West.

In a general way the governors favor a scheme of credits extension and the opening of more European markets, with a revival of an organization similar to the War Finance Corporation that would finance exports only.

HOG PRICES REVERT TO PREWAR BASIS

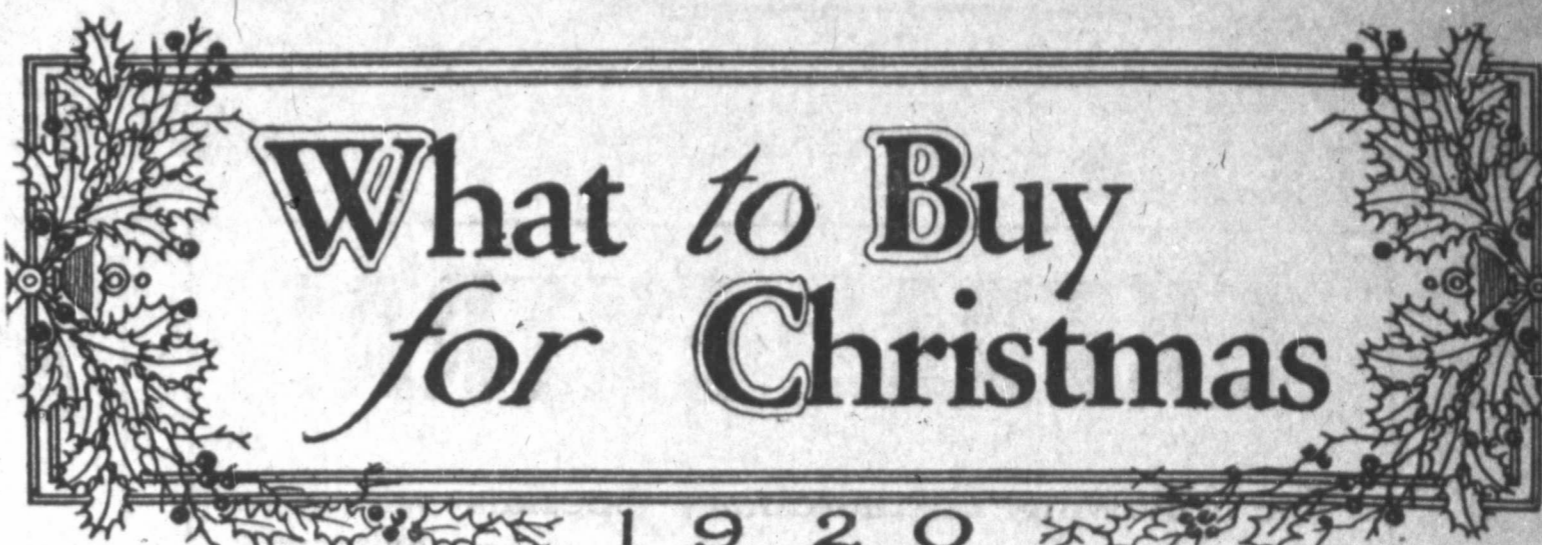
Beef Quotations Are Also on the Downward Path.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 2.—Hogs on the hoof have returned to what is virtually a 1913 prewar price, judging from figures obtained today from one of the "big five" packers. Pork and pork products, at wholesale, are on their way toward the same level, the monthly report of the Institute of American Meat Packers indicates and have reached the scale prevailing in April, 1917, when the United States entered the war.

Beef is also on the downward path, the wholesale price of carcass beef having dropped 17 per cent since Sept. 1, according to the institutes' figures.

The biggest drop recorded, however, is in live hogs. The packing house figures show pork on the hoof brought 8c a pound in November, 1918. During the war the farmer was guaranteed a minimum of 17½c. In July, 1919, the price reached 23c a pound. Today hogs are back around 10½c. Retail prices, however, have not kept pace with the falling wholesale market, the packing house official said, but he declined to be quoted directly on the subject on the ground that retailers might boycott his company.

An overhead coat and hat rack that has been patented is intended to be hung on a hook high on a wall after a man has placed his garments upon it.



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In all of the hundreds of articles suitable for a Christmas present to the wife, there is nothing quite as appropriate, or as useful, or as everlasting as a new set of chinaware. It would fill her heart with joy to let the Christmas dinner be the first meal served upon it.

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GOVERNORS WOULD FORM CORPORATION

System of Rural Credits for Farmers Also Asked.

Harrisburg, Pa., Dec. 2.—Under the leadership of Governors W. L. Harding of Iowa and Thomas W. Bickett of North Carolina, the governors' conference in session here today went on record as favoring creation by the federal government of a foreign trade finance corporation, designed to come to the rescue of American farmers who face ruin because there is no market for their surplus stocks of foodstuffs, grain and other products.

A report adopted by the governors without dissension included also the recommendation that the federal reserve board use its good offices to obtain refunding of farmers debts through a system of rural credits from banks throughout the country.

On account of a rule prohibiting the passage of formal resolutions by the governors' conference, the action taken by the executives was not as direct as was contemplated when the proposition was first explained by Governor Harding to his colleagues yesterday. At that time it was proposed that a committee of five governors should go in person to Washington to press passage of suitable legislation.

Rather than suspend the rule, the governors decided to accept the proposed resolution simply as a report, which, it was ex-

plained, would be equally effective and at the same time avoid committing a possible impropriety.

The afternoon's session was enlivened by expression from governors, who reversed the ordinary political attitudes of the traditional Northern republican and Southern democrat.

Speaking on the centralization and decentralization of government functions and stressing the desirability of decentralization, Governor Robert D. Carey of Wyoming deplored what he called a growing neglect of "states' rights." The federal government, through certain activities, was "retarding development," he declared.

Gets Third Citation.

The friends of Sergeant Geo. L. Keene will doubtless be glad to learn that he is again the recipient of honors at the hands of his country. He has received a citation and silver star for gallantry in action Northeast of Egermont, France. The letter containing this news came from the war department and was addressed to Sergeant Keene. It seems from the letter that Sergeant Keene was recommended for a distinguished service cross by the officers of his division, but the board considering the matter while concurring in the opinion that the matter was insufficient in heroic achievement upon which to issue a distinguished service cross, considered it sufficiently meritorious upon which to issue the following citation. The following is copied from the letter: "Under the provision of the act of congress approved July 9, 1918, you will be cited in the war department orders for gallantry in

action with the following citation:

"For gallantry in action Northeast of Egermont, France, October 9, 1918, while remaining in command of his platoon, although suffering from the effects of gas."

This is Sergeant Keene's third citation for gallantry while serving in France.

Our Commercialized Christmas.

Christmas is the decoration day of a commercial age. Then, as on no other day, we face with compassion those who have fallen in our battles for wealth. For a moment we think of the thousands of children who have no share in that easy life we give our children, and must find the season's joy in the charity dinner. Along with the barter to which we have debased our giving within our circle of acquaintances, we play at extending the spirit of the day to those who are the pawns of our industrial game. The Salvation army lass, standing cold and numb on the street corner, collecting funds for Christmas baskets for the poor, reminds us of the wreckage left in the wake of our prosperity. We give a trifle to help the poor temper the bitterness of the year with a couple of hour's good eating.

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In the Rio Grande valley they are receiving from \$200 to \$500 per acre for land that will not produce any more than the land in east Texas, and in the valley they have to pay from 3 to 10 dollars for water privileges. The main trouble in east Texas has been that we have been working individually, and not collectively; there has not been enough co-operation in the planting or in the marketing of our crops, but a year like we are now passing through is causing farmers and business men to think as they have never thought before.

The Mexicans seem to have left nothing undone that could testify their appreciation of the visit of Governor Hobby, Governor-elect Neff and a number of other Texans of lesser fame, on the occasion of President Obregon's inauguration. They seem to have made it one of their chief endeavors to shower compliments and distinctions on their guests from Texas. That these exchanges of social courtesies will be productive of good there can be no doubt. Friendliness simplifies the most complex problems, and the fact that cordial relations seem to have been established between the authorities of Mexico and those of Texas is something of a guaranty that we shall not suffer a repetition of those acerbities and quarrels which were so frequent during the administration of the late General Carranza. Of course, conditions are much more favorable now for the cultivation of genuinely friendly relations. President Obregon seems highly responsive to such overtures, whereas General Carranza was impervious to them, made so, perhaps, by an invincible prejudice of the "gringos." But, whatever the causes, the fact that the two peoples have, figuratively speaking, clasped hands, is a happy augury for both Mexicans and Texans.—Galveston News.

SLIM ON THANKSGIVING.

Now there come times when homesickness bids fair to lay me low; times when my yearnings for my folks no ease nor surcease know. Times when the sacrifice to serve seems far too great to bear, times when I'd give the world and all home's fireside cheer to share.

It's further than I care to think—to where my longin's lead. The thrills that presaged holidays this year I cannot heed. The blustering winds that strip the trees, the chill November air, the touch of autumn on the hills, the out doors everywhere remind me that Thanksgiving time with all its bracing cheer, with all its oveliness and fun and joyousness is here.

My shot gun mutely waits me come two thousand miles away—the partridges are drumming 'er the brown sage brush to-day, the raccoon up the 'simmon tree snarls at the houn' dog's bark while carefree 'possum hunting crowds go stumbling through the dark.

Now, that's my homeland,

EDITORIALS BY DR. R. T. MILNER

WHAT THE FORMER A. & M. PRESIDENT WRITES IN THE RUSK COUNTY NEWS.

A GREAT SPEECH.

Anatol France is conceded to be the greatest of living French authors and critics. He is now seventy-five years old, but he still possesses the vigor and enthusiasm of youth. Recently he made a speech to the French teachers which ought to be read in every school house and church in the world. It follows:

"Teachers, dear friends, it is with ardent emotion that I address you; deeply stirred with anxiety and hope that I speak to you. And how could I fail to be moved when I consider that the future is in your hands, and that it will be for the most part what your spirit and your care shall make it?"

"In developing the child, you will determine the future. What a task at this hour, when the world is crumbling, when the old order of society sinks under the weight of its sins; and when conquerors and conquered alike are plunged in a common misery, in which they bandy expressions of hatred.

"In the social and moral disorder created by the war and perpetuated by the peace which has followed it, you have everything to do, everything to rebuild. Have courage! Be of good cheer! It is for you to create a new humanity, it is for you to awake a new intelligence, if we do not wish Europe to fall into madness and barbarism. People will say to you, 'To what purpose so much exertion? Man does not change.' So? He has changed since the age of the cave dweller, now for the worse, now for the better. He changes with environment, and it is education which transforms him, even more perhaps than air and food. Certainly the education which has rendered possible, which has favored (being practically uniform among the peoples whom we call civilized) the frightful castastrophe under which we are now half buried, should not be allowed to endure for a moment. And above all it is necessary to banish from the schools everything which makes children love war and its crimes. The teacher must make the child love peace and its work; he must teach him to detest war; he will banish from education all that which excites hate for the stranger, even hatred of the enemy of yesterday; not that it is necessary to be indulgent to crime and to absolve all the guilty, but because a people, whatever it may be, at whatever hour, is composed of more victims than criminals, because the punishment of the guilty should not be visited upon the innocent generations, and because finally all the people have much to pardon each other.

"My friends, make hatred hated! It is the most necessary and simple part of your task; the state to which a devastating war has reduced France and the whole world imposes upon you duties extreme-

ly complex and consequently extremely difficult to fulfill. Pardon me for returning to this; it is the great point upon which everything depends. It is for you without hope of aid and support, or even of consent, to change primary education from the ground up, in order to make workers. There is place today in our society only for workers; the rest will be swept away in the storm. Make intelligent workers instructed in the arts they practice, knowing what they owe to the national and to the human community.

"Burn all the books which teach hatred. Exalt work and love. Let us develop reasonable men, capable of trampling under foot the vain splendor of barbaric glories, and of resisting the sanguinary ambitions of nationalisms and imperialisms which have crushed their fathers. No more industrial rivalries, no more wars; work and peace. Whether we wish it or no, the hour has come when we must be citizens of the world or see all civilization perish."

England has opened up trade relations with the Soviet government of Russia. It is a worse country than has yet been discovered that England will refuse to trade with. This country might have been better off financially if it had accepted Secretary of State Lansing and Col. E. M. House's advice when they urged the separation of the peace treaty from the League of Nations. Had their policy been followed out and peace established with our war enemies in Europe and trade relations restored, it is certain that matters would have picked up.

Judge Wurzbach, a Republican, defeated Carlos Bee in the San Antonio district. Wurzbach graduated from Washington and Lee university several years ago, having made the highest scholarship record in that institution up to that time. He is a member of a distinguished old family, his father having held many important places of trust and honor. Years ago this writer served in the legislature with his

father, and his culture and dignity drew about him a large number of the members of that body.

Whilst the Democrats lived they lived in clover, but when they died they died all over. They have had eight years of the best time of their existence.

No syrup in the world is better or more wholesome than the East Texas ribbon cane syrup, but our farmers are not prepared to market it in a way to sell it for its value. There should be some way of standardizing it along the lines adopted by the California fruit growers. The best is no better than the worst as it is now handled—the same as our cotton.

With all of our complaints, please tell us where on the face of the earth is there a country so well off as these United States, and especially East Texas?

Another Royal Suggestion
3-Egg Angel and Sunshine Cakes
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AN Angel cake that fairly melts in your mouth. Instead of eight eggs it can be made with three and the yolks of the eggs can be used for a Royal Sunshine cake.

Angel Cake
1 cup sugar
1 1/2 cups flour
1/2 teaspoon cream of tartar
3 teaspoons Royal Baking Powder
1/2 teaspoon salt
3/4 cup scalded milk
1 teaspoon almond or vanilla extract
whites of 3 eggs
Mix and sift first five ingredients four times. Add milk very slowly, while still hot, beating continually; add vanilla; mix well and fold in whites of eggs beaten until light. Turn into ungreased angel cake tin and bake in very slow oven about 45 minutes. Remove from oven; invert pan and allow to stand until cold. Cover top and sides with either white or chocolate icing.

Sunshine Cake
3 tablespoons shortening
3/4 cup sugar
yolks of 3 eggs
1 teaspoon flavoring extract
1/2 cup milk
1 1/2 cups flour
3 teaspoons Royal Baking Powder
Cream shortening; add sugar gradually, and yolks of eggs which have been beaten until thick; add flavoring; sift together flour and baking powder and add alternately, a little at a time, with the milk to first mixture. Bake in greased loaf pan in moderate oven 35 to 45 minutes. Cover with white icing.

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\$4.00 Dress Shirts reduced to	\$3.15
\$3.50 Dress Shirts reduced to	\$2.95
\$3.00 Dress Shirts reduced to	\$2.25
\$2.50 Dress Shirts reduced to	\$1.50
One lot of soiled Shirts at	75c
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Men's \$3.50 Ribbed Union Suits at	\$2.45
Men's \$4.00 Ribbed Union Suits at	\$2.95
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\$3.50 and \$3.00 Four-in-hand Ties	\$2.75
\$2.50 Four-in-hand Ties reduced to	\$2.10
\$2.00 Four-in-hand Ties reduced to	\$1.65
\$1.50 Four-in-hand Ties reduced to	\$1.25
\$1.00 Four-in-hand Ties reduced to	85c
\$1.00 Bow Ties reduced to	75c

Night Shirts and Pajamas

Men's \$2.50 Night Shirts reduced to	\$1.75
Boys' \$1.75 Night Shirts reduced to	\$1.25
Men's \$3.50 Pajamas reduced to	\$2.75

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Men's \$4.00 Dress Gloves reduced to	\$3.25
Men's \$3.50 Dress Gloves reduced to	\$2.75
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Men's \$30.00 Suits reduced to	\$16.00
Men's \$38.50 Suits reduced to	\$26.50
Twenty Tailor-Made Suits left on hand, \$65 and 75 values, in this sale for	\$36.50
Any Boys' Suit for	\$13.00
Men's \$7.50, \$8.00 and \$8.50 Trousers	\$6.45
Men's \$10, \$11 and \$12 Trousers	\$8.75
Men's \$5.00 Lace Trousers reduced to	\$4.00
Boys' \$4.00 Lace Trousers reduced to	\$3.35
Boys' \$4.00 Trousers reduced to	\$3.00
Boys' \$3.50 Trousers reduced to	\$2.75
Boys' \$3.00 Trousers reduced to	\$2.45
Boys' \$2.50 Trousers reduced to	\$1.95

Overcoats and Raincoats

Men's \$65.00 Overcoats reduced to	\$39.50
Men's \$55.00 Overcoats reduced to	\$34.50
Men's \$50.00 Overcoats reduced to	\$33.50
Men's \$45.00 Overcoats reduced to	\$27.50
Men's \$25.00 Overcoats reduced to	\$15.00
Men's \$20.00 Overcoats reduced to	\$12.50
Men's \$25.00 Raincoats reduced to	\$17.50
Men's \$15.00 Raincoats reduced to	\$11.50
Men's \$10.00 Raincoats reduced to	\$7.50
Boys' \$10.00 Raincoats reduced to	\$6.95
Boys' \$7.50 Raincoats reduced to	\$4.95

Stetson, Crofut & Knapp and Mallory Hats at and Below Cost

\$27.50 Hats	\$19.95	\$4.50 Cloth Hats	\$3.00
\$16.00 Hats	\$13.50	\$3.00 Cloth Hats	\$2.00
\$13.50 Hats	\$10.95	\$4.50 Caps	\$3.50
\$12.50 Hats	\$9.95	\$4.00 Caps	\$3.25
\$11.00 Hats	\$8.75	\$3.50 Caps	\$2.75
\$10.00 Hats	\$7.50	\$3.00 Caps	\$2.45
\$8.50 Hats	\$6.50	\$2.50 Caps	\$1.95
\$6.50 Hats	\$4.50	\$2.00 Caps	\$1.50
\$5.00 Hats	\$3.95	\$1.50 Caps	\$1.10

Shoes at Bargain Prices

\$17.70 Florsheim and Stacy-Adams Shoes reduced to	\$12.50
\$12.50 Bostonian Shoes reduced to	\$9.50
\$10.00 Bostonian Shoes reduced to	\$7.95
\$8.50 Shoes reduced to	\$6.95
Thirty pairs of Shoes to close out at	\$4.75
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