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"SOVIET ARK", SHIP WILL CARRY OUT OF U. S. SCORES OF RADICALS, READY

30 LIVES ARE LOST; OIL TANKER SINKS

SCORE OF CREW OF 51 NOT ACCOUNTED FOR; SURVIVOR TELLS STORY

(By The Associated Press.)

BADON, Ore., Dec. 20.—At least thirty lives were lost when the oil tanker J. A. Chanslor, bound in ballast from Portland, Ore., to San Francisco, was wrecked off Cape Blanco Thursday night, according to a report made by Earl Dooley, one of the crew washed ashore near here last night.

According to Dooley, the ship struck a reef and broke in two after partially sinking, taking thirty men with it. A score of the crew of fifty-one men are still unaccounted for today.

A sixty-five mile gale was blowing last night.

ONLY THREE SURVIVORS.

MARSHFIELD, Ore., Dec. 20.—Capt. A. A. Sawyer, master of the tank steamer J. A. Chanslor, Quartermaster Funkle and one other member of the crew are believed to be the only survivors.

Sawyer is in a hospital at Sandon in a critical condition as the result of exposure. Three unidentified bodies have been found.

Other bodies are reported to have been washed ashore below Bandon.

DENIED SHERIFF RESIGNS

(By Associated Press)

AUSTIN, Dec. 20.—It will be necessary for the state to police the town of Desdemona, said W. A. Keeling, assistant attorney general, as the sheriff and his deputies have resigned.

He said that during a recent inspection trip through the North Texas oil fields he found everywhere there were more or less violations of the laws regulating vices.

G. E. Hazel, county attorney for Eastland county, in an interview with a Times reporter, said that there was no basis for the rumor that the sheriff and his staff had resigned. The report could not be verified in Eastland, where nothing had been heard of the rumored withdrawal.

600 FINNS ARE GIVEN THEIR LIBERTY

(By Associated Press)

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 20.—By an amnesty passed by parliament today, 600 persons prominent in Finnish life before the rebellion, were released from prison.

\$140,000 BANK SHORTAGE IN KAN. ALLEGED

(By Associated Press)

TOPEKA, Dec. 20.—The discovery of an alleged shortage of \$140,000 in the Linn County Bank of Lacyne, and the alleged confession of President Fred A. Pollman that he had signed worthless paper to that amount was reported by State Bank Examiner Wilson today, who said he has authorized the issuance of a warrant for the arrest of the banker.

A brother of the banker is said to have made good the entire amount said to have been used in speculation in Texas lands and mining ventures. These ventures, it is said, have been declared by Pollman to have resulted in the loss of the money.

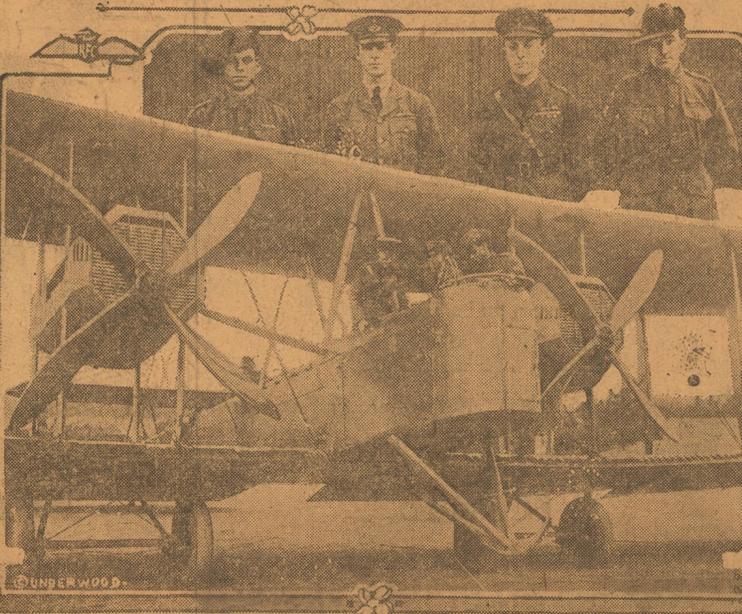
30 KILLED IN TRAIN SMASH IN MAINE

ONAWA, Maine, Dec. 20.—Thirteen persons were killed or burned to death and many sustained burns and injuries when a freight train collided with a special train from St. John, New Brunswick, loaded with steeple passengers from the steamship Empress of France on the Canadian Pacific railway near here today.

The freight telescoped the engine and forward cars of the passenger train and the wreckage burned. Conductors of both the trains were among the killed. The bodies of eleven were removed from the wreckage to the snow embankment awaiting identification.

MIDLAND, Texas.—The fuel situation here is growing more serious each day. People have been going about the streets picking up sticks and pieces of plank for fuel.

PLANE AND MEN WHO FLEW FROM ENGLAND TO ANTIPODES



Men in group, above are Sergt. W. H. Shiers, Lieut. Keith Smith, Capt. Ross Smith and Sergt. J. W. Bennett. In other picture, showing the plane, the men, left to right, are Bennett, Ross Smith, Keith Smith and Shiers.

These pictures, just received in the U. S., show the men and crew which completed the remarkable 12,000-mile airplane flight from

Hounslow field, near London, England, to Port Darwin, Australia. Capt. Ross Smith was in charge of the plane, a Vickers-Vimy-Rolls

type, similar to that used in crossing the Atlantic by Alick and Brown. Over \$50,000 in prize money goes to the men.

ATROCITIES OF BOLSHEVIKI INDESCRIBABLE

(By Associated Press)

GENEVA, Dec. 20.—Nine Swiss citizens of both sexes just returned from Kiev via Constantinople, say that they suffered terribly and witnessed the greatest horrors during years of residence in Russia under bolshevik rule.

The refugees were liberated by the forces of Denikine, they told the Associated Press today. The bolshevik employed tortures of the Middle Ages against the bourgeoisie and said they believed they would have suffered the same treatment if it had not been for the energetic action of the Swiss consul.

The use of the burning oil crucifixion and burying alive were reported to the refugees. Many Russian bourgeoisie who have been thrown into prison have become mad, the refugees declared.

BULGAR BOLSHEVIKI WIN

(By Associated Press)

SALONKI, Dec. 20.—The Bulgarian bolsheviks have been successful in the municipal elections held in Sofia and the newspapers of that city have appealed to the Bulgarian government to take the proper measures to maintain order and prevent the pillage which may result according to advices received here today.

It is said that a virtual panic prevails in Sofia. Production has decreased and a famine is pending.

GET PACKAGES OUT.

"Get the packages out." This is the slogan of the postoffice force during the holiday rush. If your paper or possibly your letters are a day late in reaching you, remember it is because the department is putting a little extra time on somebody's Christmas parcel, to prevent somebody's tiny tots, maybe, from being disappointed in receiving their annual shipment from Aunt Clara.

Boilers Will Smother Fire At Big Gasser

Sun company workers are busy today and tonight rigging up a battery of boilers which will be turned loose probably Sunday or Monday to smother out the gas fire at J. C. Maynard No. 4, which broke into a 30,000,000-foot gas sand at 3,020 feet and caught fire Thursday night.

The flames have been lighting the western sky all night so that the glow could be seen twenty miles and in Ranger, the flames were thought at first to be a burning town. Low-hanging clouds spread the reflection over a quarter of the western sky. The column of fire is shooting a hundred feet in the air.

ASK PUBLIC TO HELP BUY COPS' NEW UNIFORMS

The public is being asked to contribute toward paying for uniforms for city policemen. The uniforms were ordered some time ago but no funds are available to pay for them, and the men are unable to pay for them individually, on account of the high cost of living and the insufficient salary they are now receiving.

The uniforms are for the protection of the public, officers say. They enable citizens to distinguish an officer and make the work of the officer easier. Therefore they are asking business men to contribute whatever they feel like giving.

CASHIER MAKES \$20,000 BOND AND IS RELEASED

PINE BLUFF, Ark., Dec. 20.—O. L. Miller, cashier of the bank at Grady, Ark., was released today on \$20,000 bond following his arrest Tuesday night, charged with being \$18,000 short in his accounts.

FREIGHT RUSH WELL HANDLED AT THIS TIME

Freight congestion in this city has been at any time in the last two weeks. This statement was made today by C. B. Jonz, local freight and passenger agent.

"The situation is better than it has been at any time in the last two years," Mr. Jonz stated. "While the embargo on carload shipments still exists, any one can get a permit to ship carload consignments in. We are making a special effort to get building materials into town promptly and the situation as regards this class of shipments is improving all the time.

"With the completion of the alley track, now waiting on ballast, we will have sufficient trackage to care for any reasonable demands.

"If people will help us by taking their shipments out promptly, we will be able to give really good service here."

25-CENT RISE IN CRUDE OIL IS ANNOUNCED

FORT WORTH, Dec. 20.—A 25-cent advance in the price of Texas crude oil was announced today by the Sinclair and Gulf companies, making the price \$2.75 a barrel.

BRITAIN GOING INTO SUGAR PRODUCING

LONDON, Dec. 20.—The British government is going into the sugar producing business and has decided to buy 250,000 pounds in a company capitalized at 1,000,000 pounds, which is to be floated and called the Home Grown Sugar company, Ltd.

HUNDREDS OF REDS ARE BEING SENT TO NEW YORK FOR DEPORTATION NOW

(By The Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The government steamship Buford, "the Soviet Ark," is ready to leave New York for Soviet Russia on two hours' notice, it was learned today.

She will carry on her holiday cruise a greater part of several hundred radicals held for deportation at Ellis Island.

It was intimated that the craft would weigh anchor tonight or tomorrow.

Many persons considered among the most dangerous and those charged with plotting the overthrow of the United States government will be "guests" of this government ship for a cruise despite their professed willingness to pay their own way.

Alexander Berkman and Emma Goldman are the most notable persons on the passenger list.

At least three "mystery trains" are bringing additional radicals from various parts of the country. It was predicted today that 350 disciples of violence will be corralled in the Ellis Island detention pens before nightfall.

A nation-wide roundup of radicals for wholesale deportation is nearing completion, authorities said today.

PROFITEERING IN COAL AT ST. LOUIS CHARGE

(By Associated Press)

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 20.—Federal investigation of alleged profiteering in coal here will be begun immediately, United States District Attorney Hensley announced today.

Hensley said that reports tended to show some operators and retailers during the miners' strike charged \$2.30 a ton higher than the maximum price allowed by the fuel administration.

Redraft Peace Bill of Knox Has Been Approved

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—A redrafted resolution by Senator Knox to declare a state of peace with Germany and retain to the United States all material benefits that would be gained under the unratified treaty of Versailles was approved today by the senate foreign relations committee, 7 to 2.

The measure on which senate action is to be sought after the holiday recess is in the form of a joint resolution and would require, unless Germany concedes to the United States such material benefits as are contained in the treaty, that commerce with German nationals could be prohibited by a presidential proclamation.

Pershing Gets Big Welcome

(By Associated Press)

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—Thousands braved the below-freezing temperature here today to greet General John J. Pershing upon his arrival for his first visit in Chicago since he went overseas.

WILLIAMS IS AGAIN NAMED AS CONTROLLER

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—John Skelton Williams again was nominated by President Wilson as comptroller of the currency today.

BIG FIRE RISK IN CITY CAUSED BY WASTE OIL

A letter has been received by the Times from a large supply house of this city, pointing out the fire danger that exists in parts of the city from large accumulations of waste oil.

"Last evening," the writer says, "considerable property was threatened by a burning pool of oil, west of the railroad in the south part of town. Only a few months ago the Continental Supply company's warehouse was set on fire from the same source. Two weeks later the McEwen Manufacturing company lost their store and contents from burning waste oil. The risk from this source has not been diminished. You cannot fight an oil fire with water.

"At this time a pool of oil stands under the warehouse of the National Supply company, needing only a match from a careless passerby to start a blaze which might result in great loss."

CONGRESS FOR SUGAR CONTROL BY GOVERNMENT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—By a vote of 50 to 12, the senate today adopted a compromise bill to continue government control of sugar during 1920, accepting the house amendments increasing the authority of the United States sugar equalization board by limiting license powers to next June 30.

COTTON GINNED WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Cotton ginned prior to December 13, the census bureau announced today, amounted to 9,402,520 running bales, including 103,926 round bales, 27,906 bales of American-Egyptian cotton and 6,429 bales of Sea Island cotton.

NC-4 LEAVES GALVESTON FOR MOBILE, ALA., TODAY

GALVESTON, Dec. 20.—The United States trans-Atlantic flyer NC-4, Lieutenant A. C. Rad commanding, left here at 9:30 o'clock this morning for Mobile. The machine has been here since Tuesday.

Benefit Bazaar in T. P. Building Closes Tonight

The bazaar now running at the T. P. office building, on Commerce street, to raise a fund for St. Rita's Catholic church building, is proving a great success. Mrs. Morris Leveille, president of the altar society of the church; Mrs. John Maney, secretary-treasurer; Father Gerken, formerly pastor of the Abilene church, and now pastor here, and the ladies of the church have been devoting a large part of their time to the work, for several days.

The large south room of the building is beautifully decorated. Numerous booths contain articles for sale—clothes, aprons, handkerchiefs, embroidery work, soft drinks, cigars, candies and even large articles of household furniture. The bazaar approaches a department store in the number and variety of articles offered for sale.

Meals are served twice a day. At noon time you may order anything you like, at prices which compare favorably with the best restaurants. In the evening a dinner is served—last night it was chicken and oysters and other things, and the best of home cooking. This meal costs the small sum of \$1.

A dance is given each evening, beginning at 9 o'clock. This feature has proven popular with the younger set. Excellent music is furnished for the dance.

St. Rita's church is situated in Blackwell addition in the south part of town, east of the railroad. It was erected at a cost of \$85,000. The bazaar is being conducted for the purpose of raising funds to help finish the interior and pay for furnishings. The bazaar closes tonight.

R. S. Speer, assistant superintendent of the city schools, has resigned his position, the resignation to take effect immediately.

C. M. Davenport, principal of the Cooper school, has also offered his resignation.

Mr. Speer has been assistant superintendent since the opening of school. Three years ago he was associated with the Ranger school and left Ranger to become superintendent of schools at Carbon, Texas. At the opening of the war he enlisted in the army.

He plans to enter business at Carbon, Texas. His wife has been associated with the city schools last year and again this year. She has offered her resignation.

Mr. Davenport will become associated with one of the large oil companies in this city.

Successors to Mr. and Mrs. Speer and Mr. Davenport have not been appointed.

YOUR CITY AND SCHOOL TAXES ARE NOW DUE

Second Floor Marston Building Main and Marston Streets

City Court Has a Busy Session

Twelve men were convicted or pleaded guilty to gaming at today's session of city court. The men were arrested in a Main street pool hall, between 3 and 4 o'clock this morning.

Two women were tried for alleged immoral practices. No verdict was returned in the case, Judge Davenport taking it under advisement until Monday.

A case against a man charged with vagrancy was postponed Monday. Several men pleaded guilty to violation of traffic ordinances.

CAPTAIN DICKSON RESIGNS AS MOUNTED OFFICER

Captain L. F. Dickson, formerly a member of the Northwest Mounted Police and lately employed by Chief of Police Parrish as a mounted officer, has resigned his position and gone back to Gainesville, his former home.

Captain Dickson stated before leaving that his reason for quitting was because of sickness in his family.

Interested?

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Texas Company Largest Crude Oil Producer in State

Special To The Times.

FORT WORTH, Dec. 20.—According to statistics compiled for the first three-quarters of this year, the Texas company is the largest producer of crude oil in Texas, followed closely by the Gulf Production company.

The following table gives the production for the third quarter and the total for the three quarters of the six leading producers:

	Third quarter.	Three quarters.
Texas Co.	2,972,646	7,256,733
Gulf Prod. Co.	2,867,245	6,555,731
Humble O. & R.	2,330,613	5,103,624
Magnolia Co.	1,812,776	4,820,155
T. P. C. & O.	980,495	4,093,340
Prairie Co.	630,897	2,747,719

Ohio is quite well satisfied to remain dry, if the voters are to be believed.—Omaha Bee.

SMALL BLAZE AT PINE AND RUSK STREETS

The fire department made a run to the corner of Pine and Rusk streets at 1:30 this morning. A gas stove in the Norville Wilder Hardware company's building exploded and set fire to the building.

The blaze was put out with practically no damage. Water was used in extinguishing the fire.

AGED COUPLE DIE SAME NIGHT AFTER 54 YEARS

ST. LOUIS—Happiness reigned in the home of Mr. and Mrs. August Boettger. On January 14 they were to celebrate their 54th year of married life. Boettger walked into the kitchen. Suffering an acute attack of nephritis, he fell unconscious. Mrs. Boettger ran to him. The shock was such that she collapsed in a chair. Mrs. August Weise, a daughter, found them. Both were unconscious. Mrs. Boettger died at 7:30 o'clock and Boettger a few hours later. The husband was 81 years old; the wife 71.

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MYSTERIOUS DEATHS OF DEER AT SYRACUSE ZOO

International News Service. SYRACUSE N. Y.—The mysterious deaths of more than twelve of the deer at the city zoo here is causing considerable excitement. The badly mutilated bodies of the deer have been found lying in the zoo yard. The entire zoo force has been on the watch since the first deer was killed, but have been unable to discover the cause. Still the killings go on. It is the belief of the city officials that dogs are to blame.

WEALTHY MISER DIES; LIVED ON BREAD AND WATER

International News Service. CARDIFF—A wealthy man's miserable death was described in the Coroner's court here recently.

Esau Field, aged 78, had lived alone for a number of years in poverty, although he had \$20,000 in the bank and considerable property in the city. A nephew told the coroner that the

old man had lived on dry bread, herbs and water. He did not suffer from the delusion that he was poor; it was pure miserliness. If anyone cared to provide him with anything he would take it, but he would not pay for it himself.

"I heard that he was ill," continued the nephew. "I went to the house and got through the window. I saw that my uncle was ill and I wanted to go for a doctor, but he would not let me go. Next day he collected his rents as usual. That night I found him lying dead on the floor of his bedroom. Death was due to bronchitis."

The coroner returned a verdict of "death from natural causes accelerated by self neglect." He recalled that

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he held an inquest on the dead man's sister, and had occasion to make strong remarks concerning his neglect to provide her with proper attention.

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WHITHER ARE WE GOING.
Is the trend of national affairs toward the anarchistic?
Undoubtedly, this question has arisen in the mind of every reader of The Times during the past few weeks, when they have read press dispatches showing the wide-spread activities of the so-called "Red," meaning, of course, those whose minds are clouded with radicalism; plainly speaking, those who seek the overthrow of the government.

Sane and deliberate thought is needed. The Times does not believe that the whole country is going to the bow-wows, nor does it believe that the movement, seemingly strong, can exist long, but that it will "break its own neck," so to speak.

After every war there has been a moral relapse, historians tell us. And the Great War is no exception to the rule.

BUILD HOMES FOR THEM.
The growth of the city, its change in character, evidenced in the class of its buildings and its steady growth from the hysteria of the early days of oil is shown in another way—in the class of its workers.

The first builders to essay good construction, or any sort of building, found it hard to get capable men, and those they did get would not stay. The working class of the city, then growing too rapidly, was a drifting, restless class, made up of men no longer content in one job, or in one city. They worked a day, a few days, and were on, to new fields.

Later, it was found that those who were coming in were better qualified for the work they said they could do. They showed less of the tendency to work a day and quit. They were willing to look upon Ranger as their home city.

This class has entirely replaced the "boomer." It is the class that any town must have to succeed—good workers, capable of earning good wages and eager to make homes.

In this, they must be aided. Where is Ranger's building and loan association?

TWO MEN AND THEIR WORLDLY ACHIEVEMENTS.

Fort Worth Record: Many years ago Alexander Berkman, a Russian anarchist, invaded the office of Henry Clay Frick and hurled a bomb at the coke and iron king. Frick survived; his would-be murderer was arrested and sentenced to penal servitude for twenty-one years.

The other day the Associated Press carried the story of an order of deportation issued against Alexander Berkman by the United States government, and the other day the Associated Press carried the story of the magnificent gifts made to the people of New York and Pennsylvania by the coke and iron king who had passed on.

Frick had given employment to a hundred thousand men every year for many busy years. He had accumulated a fortune of \$200,000,000. When he knew that death was near he made his will and he gave to the public or public institutions the magnificent sum of \$155,000,000.

Alexander Berkman, Russian born, came to this land of the free to escape Romanoff oppression. He never toiled. He never saved, he never accumulated, he never gave labor to others. He never contributed to charity

or education or to the uplift movements for the advancement of the race.

He railed at capital.
He cursed the established order of things.

He announced private ownership as a crime.

He belittled and blasphemed.

He proclaimed and advocated the destruction or overthrow of all organized society and established government.

He predicted the coming of the red commune and he flaunted the red flag of anarchy in every city on the continent of North America.

The maker of millions is dead; the builder of industries is dead; the maker of anarchists after all these eventful years is on his way to his native land without a single achievement to his credit but that of attempted murder and the sowing of the seeds of discontent and disaster in the land that gave him a place of refuge when he escaped from the secret agents of a Romanoff tyrant.

These are two pen pictures of two men and their worldly achievements. Under which flag?

The last blow has fallen. War-time prohibition is held constitutional by the United States circuit court. The "wets" are in dismay and the only thing left to do is to charter a ship for Europe, where the "drouth" has not yet set in.

EASTLAND CAPITAL SEEKS INVESTMENTS

Special to The Times.
STAMFORD, Texas, Dec. 20.—Eyes of northern capital are upon West Texas seeking advantageous places for investment. The West Texas chamber of commerce has a communication from a large capitalist of St. Louis, who says he would undertake to finance hotel and office building construction in West Texas during this man will visit the West during January, at which time it is expected he will select a number of towns in which to erect such buildings. Towns which are interested might communicate with the West Texas chamber of commerce at Stamford.



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BIGGEST SHIP LAUNCHING IN HISTORY TODAY

OAKLAND, Cal., Dec. 20.—Six steel vessels, totaling nearly 60,000 tons, were launched into Oakland inner harbor today in a space of less than an hour—the largest number of ships and the greatest tonnage ever floated at one time in the history of shipbuilding.

The nearest approach to this world's record was when Hog Island sent five vessels into the water May 30, last, totaling 39,000 tons.

The sextuple launching was made the event of a countrywide celebration under the auspices of the Oakland chamber of commerce. Ten thousand invitations were sent out to federal, state, county and city officials and distinguished personages, but as the gates were thrown open to the public it is estimated that several times that number were present. The crowd is said to have been a record breaker also in the witnessing of a launching.

Australia's generals and high officers of the marines, with their staffs, were special guests, as were members of the consular corps and officials of the United States shipping board. Six bands, one of each vessel, furnished music.

The first ship to go "overboard" as the Salina, a 10,000-ton tanker, named after the city in Kansas as a reward for its subscription to the Victory loan.

At 10 minute intervals the Janelow, cargo boat, christened by Mrs. R. S. Moore of San Francisco, and the tanker Sapulpa, another Victory loan ship, christened by Mrs. J. W. Hoover of

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"SAVE 5TH AVE." PROJECT NEAR REALIZATION

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Business men of this metropolis, who are always doing something extraordinary in the way of commercial achievement, are going to move an entire industry—the garment trade—employing thousands of workers and millions of capital and housed in hundreds of buildings from one section of New York to another. The movement, project, started several years ago and has just now assumed tangible form. Factories which have long despoiled part of America's most famous shopping thoroughfare, scores of them, within a few months will have packed up bag and baggage and transferred their activity to another area of Manhattan—west of Seventh avenue from Thirtieth to Thirty-ninth street—there to establish the garment center of the United States.

Fifth avenue for years has borne the reputation of being the city's best residential street, the downtown section being devoted to retail shops of high and most diversified types. Into this region of imposing business buildings and exclusive merchants, as time went on, the cloth and suit manufacturers, made their way. Soon the sewing machine bade fair to eliminate the yardstick. America's promise of elite trade and style was being transformed into a factory district where noon and closing hour whistles vied with limousine motor horns.

These cloak and suit manufacturers, however, most of them patriotic Americans and jealous of the welfare of New York, got together and, cooperating with a group of men known as the "Save New York Committee," formulated plans for the erection of factory buildings in a less exclusive section of the city. Carrying the idea of co-operation still further they purchased many pieces of real estate, totaling 92,000 square feet in the Seventh avenue section, and have obtained options on 102,000 square feet more.

Plans now contemplate the construction of four co-operative factory buildings of sixteen stories each with a combined floor space of 1,400,000 square feet at a yearly rental cost of approximately \$700,000, about 50 cents a square foot as against \$2.50 a square foot which many of the manufacturers are now paying. The men interested in the project estimate a saving of not less than \$3,000,000 a year in rent alone, and other similar economies, they say, will "effectively slash the high cost of living as regards women's garments." A reduction of from \$1 to \$7.25 per garment will be possible, they say, as a result of the stoppage of inflated rents. Sixty garment manufacturers with an annual output valued at \$650,000,000 are to begin the new venture and other lines of trade are to be invited to join in the movement as its practicality and wisdom are demonstrated.

"LIGHT-HEARTED" BURGLARS ROB SAFE OF \$60,000

International News Service.
OMAHA, Neb.—The safe of the Hayden Brothers' store, one of the largest retail houses here, was blown up by burglars a few nights ago after robbers overpowered the store's two nightwatchmen, whom they bound and gagged. The haul is estimated at approximately \$60,000 in cash, securities and other valuables.

After cleaning out the safe the intruders "Dutch lunched" from the grocery department, sang and danced in front of their captives for several hours, paid each watchman \$25 "for his trouble" and made their getaway at the break of dawn.

TEN-POUND WEIGHT ABOUT HIS NECK RESTORES SIGHT

International News Service.
NORMAN, Okla.—John H. Merkle, a student in the University of Oklahoma, is rapidly recovering from injury received in a football game here ten days ago, which dislocated his cervical vertebra and temporarily blinded him, by carrying a ten-pound weight around his neck. Merkle's vision returned as soon as his neck became straightened by the weight. Merkle, who is now in a Shawnee hospital, lives at Maud, Okla.

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Night Sessions of Leaders of the Senate Planned

By Associated Press
WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Night sessions of the senate leaders, it is said, probably will be continued in an effort to have the Cummings railroad bill passed before the holiday recess.

Mercury Flirts With Zero in Lil' Old "Noo" York

By Associated Press
NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Mercury player hide-and-seek with the zero mark today, giving New York the first touch of real winter and the coldest December day in two years.

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Owing to resignations in the city schools there will be a number of vacancies in the different wards before the schools reconvene on Jan. 5. Superintendent McDonald stated Friday.

Since the teacherage is full to capacity, Mr. McDonald said, it will be necessary to secure teachers living in this city if possible. On account of the high cost of living in Ranger, a grade teacher can hardly afford to pay board at the current rates.

At the teacherage, which is maintained by the school board, the rate is \$35 a month.

Applicants should see Mr. McDonald or members of the school board.

Express Office Swamped Under Christmas Rush

"Can you take this package, Mister? It's just got to go off on the westbound train."

This is the cry heard at the local express office. But a rule of the express company states that packages must be received at the local office an hour before train time, in order to be sent on the train. This is for the protection of the public; a record must be made of the packages and it takes time to make this record.

Heavy Christmas shipments have almost swamped the local express company. Agent Steffins and employees working with him are doing everything possible to keep the express embargo lifted. Mr. Steffins said today.

Young School Has Christmas Joytime

A Christmas tree adorned each room of the Young schoolhouse yesterday, and each room had its own Santa Claus. Teachers and children had worked hard for the last week decorating the rooms and the effect was well worth their labor.

Programs were rendered in some of the rooms and there was an exchange of presents between teachers and pupils.

Pupils and teachers of the Young school are proud of their record in the matter of disposing of Red Cross Christmas seals. Over \$60 worth of seals was taken by the school. This establishes a record over other schools of the city.

Children will enjoy a holiday until January 5.

GULF'S GATHERING CAPACITY DOUBLED

Special to The Times.

FORT WORTH, Dec. 20.—The Gulf Production company has just purchased the four-inch gathering line of the Shamrock Oil company from block 84 to the tank farm on block 81, and also purchased the tank farm, which comprises five 55,000-barrel steel tanks. This doubles the gathering capacity of the Gulf in the field.

Terpsichorean Club Party a Success

Christmas spirit pervaded the Yuletide dance of the Terpsichorean club at the Summer Garden Friday night and made the evening an enjoyable one for the thirty couples who attended. It was good-bye-for-the-holidays for some who attended and welcome-home for others.

Kirkland's jazz five, strengthened late in the evening by other musicians, furnished music. Delicious punch, expertly compounded and served, added much to the evening.

Personals

The ladies of the Presbyterian church have been selling cakes and pies at the Jones-Cox hardware store during the past week.

C. B. Hedrick, vice president of the First National bank, is out of the city for a few days.

Lytton R. Taylor, attorney, spent the fore part of the week in Fort Worth.

Miss Noma McIntyre, principal of the Young school, left today for Dallas to spend the holidays with friends and relatives.

Marriage Licenses

Marriage licenses issued at Eastland follow:

Andrew McFall and Miss Francis Dudley, Carbon.

Archie Mainey and Miss Harriett J. Wilson.

INVADER TO INCREASE CAPITAL TO \$10,000,000

FORT WORTH, Dec. 20.—The Invader Oil & Refining company has just issued a call for a special meeting of its stockholders for January 15, 1920, at which meeting it is proposed to increase the authorized capital from \$2,000,000 to \$10,000,000.

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OIL SHOWING STRUCK IN PACACHO, N. M., WELL

Special to The Times.

ROSWELL, N. M., Dec. 20.—The drillers of the National Exploration company at Pacacho have struck an excellent showing of oil in a blue shale formation at a depth of 700 feet. When the drill was pulled out of the well it was dripping with oil, and the bailer showed that a real oil sand had been encountered. The formations encountered so far in this well conform exactly with the Ranger sand.

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J. H. Thurman to V. F. Thurman, N. half of S. W. quarter, section 27, Eastland county, royalty contract, \$600.

J. R. Thurman to V. F. Thurman, E. half of N. E. quarter, section 29, block 2, H. & T. C. R. R. Co., Eastland county, assignment, \$1.

J. H. Thurman to V. F. Thurman, part of the S. W. quarter of section 20, block 3, 100 acres, Eastland county, assignment, \$1.

J. A. Gantt to Mrs. Ella Tolbert, 108 acres out of John P. Rohus survey, Eastland county, mineral deed, \$1.

J. A. Gantt to Mrs. J. M. Broughton, 108 acres out of John P. Rohus survey, Eastland county, mineral deed, \$1.

Frank Cullinan to Republic Production company, 5 acres out of McHorse tract, Eastland county, assignment, \$1.

Eastland Oil and Gas company to T. W. Duncan et al., 4 acres out of Harvey Kendrick survey, Eastland county, \$1.

Eastland Oil and Gas company to T. W. Duncan et al., 1 1/2 acres out of Matt Finch survey, Eastland county, assignment, \$4.

J. T. Poe to H. C. Feldman, 16 acres out of J. G. Drake preemption survey, Eastland county, assignment, \$1.

Scott Braden to J. C. Watson, lot 12, block 1, John Cramley survey No. 312, Fisher county, assignment, \$1.

A. S. Cross to G. C. Waggoner, 6 acres out of section 3, block 4, H. & T. C. R. R. Co., Eastland county, mineral deed, \$1.

Henry Belcher to Burton Bros., part of the Thomas A. Howell, Eastland county, assignment, \$1.

R. J. Hunter et al. to Arizona Ranger Oil and Gas company, 4 acres out of Harvey Kendrick survey, Eastland county, assignment, \$1.

J. A. Migus to A. E. Chandler, 80 acres out of lot 30, abstract 367, Eastland county, assignment, \$1.

C. B. Cone et al. to F. B. Shepard et al., 40x50 feet out of Funderburg survey, Eastland county, assignment, \$1.

Ruth Chapman to W. L. Andrus, part of A. Smelzer survey containing 1-749 of an acre, Eastland county, royalty contract, \$100.

R. E. Boucher to P. G. Coyle, part of section 49, block 2, containing 147 acres, Comanche county, royalty contract, \$700.

T. H. Dabney and wife to Julian Dendy, 2 acres, being part of Hays survey, Eastland county, assignment, \$1.

T. H. Dabney and wife to Samuel Walker, land in Hays survey, Eastland county, assignment, \$1.

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T. H. Dabney and wife to Walter C. Humphrey, land out of R. Hays survey, Eastland county, assignment, \$1.

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J. A. Beard et al. to T. A. Bendy, 40 acres out of N. E. corner of S. E. quarter, section 10, block 4, H. & T. C. R. R. Co., Eastland county, assignment, \$1.

T. A. Bendy et al. to Arthur W. Jones, 40 acres out of N. E. corner of S. E. quarter, section 10, block 4, H. & T. C. R. R. Co., Eastland county, assignment, \$1.

Arthur W. Jones to T. A. Bendy, 40 acres out of N. E. corner of S. E. quarter, section 10, block 4, H. & T. C. R. R. Co., Eastland county, assignment, \$3,400.

C. C. Cornelius to W. M. Davis, 5 acres out of J. O. Sue tract, Eastland county, mineral deed, 250.

R. J. Haley to A. M. Chisholm et al., 16 acres out of R. Hays survey, Eastland county, assignment, \$1.

W. K. Ross et al. to R. Maggio, trustee, part of section 14, S. A. & M. G. R. R. Co. lands, Eastland county, assignment, \$10.

Fred Parry and wife to Nathan R. Levine, part of A. Smelzer survey, 749 62-100 acres, Eastland county, royalty contract, \$10.

Cleaves Rhea to T. A. Bendy, parcel of land known as lot 16, block A, Sunset Heights, a subdivision of block 42, Daugherty's addition, Eastland county, warranty deed, \$1.

A. J. Wood and wife to G. D. Wood, a parcel of land 25x116 feet out of lot 4, block P, Cisco, Eastland county, warranty deed, \$1,000.

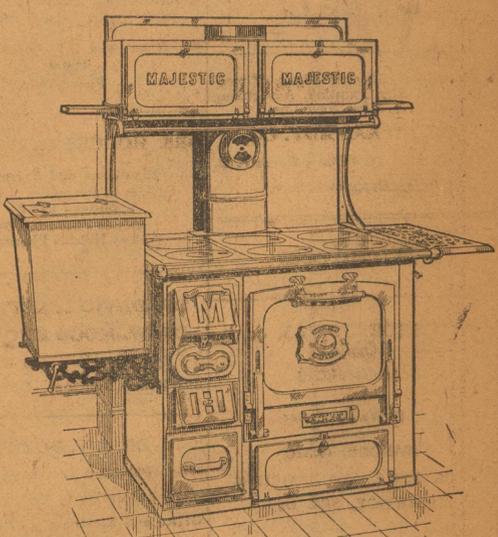
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