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THE AMENDED BILL

SENATOR ALDRICH REPORTS FINANCIAL MEASURE BACK TO THE SENATE.

NOTE LIMIT INCREASED

Amount of Circulating Notes Increased From \$250,000,000 to \$500,000,000. Other Features.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 30.—The Aldrich financial bill, which has been in the hands of the committee on finance since its introduction in the senate on January 7th, was reported back to the senate today by Senator Aldrich. The character of the bill remains the same as when introduced. The limit of circulating notes which may be issued under the proposed act has been raised from two hundred and fifty millions to five hundred million dollars. An amendment is made, which is taken to mean that bonds issued by school districts and townships will be acceptable for circulating notes, providing they conform to the requirements specified. Banks are required to hold two-thirds of their lawful reserve in money.

The Aroma of a Goat Ranch.

Five hundred dollars was subscribed at a negro mass meeting held at Muskogee to fight the Jim Crow law in the courts. The money raised will be used in testing the constitutionality of the law. The coons want to ride in chair cars with the white people, where they can impregnate the atmosphere with the pungent aroma of a goat ranch.

The coons are kicking about the Jim Crow cars on railway trains, but it is nothing to compare with the howl they will send up when they hear about the Jim Crow jails. District Judge Carruthers of Okemah has ordered Jim Crow jails for all the counties in his district, which means a complete segregation of whites and blacks in the county coolers. Here in Oklahoma it is written by proud sons of the South that a "nigger" cannot even go to jail with a white man.—Kell City Enterprise.

EXPRESS OFFICE ROBBED.

Two Men Got Away With \$3,000 at Mansfield, Ohio.

Mansfield, Ohio, Jan. 29.—Shortly after midnight this morning two men entered the office of the United States express company in the union depot at this place and, after knocking William Dewey, the agent, unconscious, got away with about \$3,000 in currency. The robbery was executed while many passengers stood about the station and was not detected until after the robbers had made their escape. A bag containing more than \$40,000 in gold was lying beside the bag which was taken by the men, but was overlooked by them.

ELLIOTT SANDERS DEAD.

Rock Island Travelling Passenger Agent Succumbs to Pneumonia.

Dallas, Tex., Jan. 30.—Elliott Sanders, a travelling passenger agent for the Rock Island railroad, died in this city this morning of pneumonia. The deceased was a nephew of J. Sanders, the democratic nominee for governor of Louisiana.

Strayed.

Two cows; one pale red bald-faced Hereford, left eye out, brand deep bar on left side; one dark red cow with a few small brindle streaks, branded "JR" on right hip. Information leading to recovery of property will be suitably rewarded by

N. M. CURRY.

Sanderson is the Winner.

New Orleans, La., Jan. 29.—Returns from yesterday's democratic primaries of a more complete nature were received today and bear out the indications that Lieutenant Governor Sanderson has been elected the democratic nominee for governor.

HUGHES IS ENDORSED.

Republican County Committee at New York Indorse Him for Presidency.

New York, Jan. 29.—Gov. Charles E. Hughes was strongly endorsed for the republican nomination for the presidency and the administration of President Roosevelt was commended in a resolution unanimously adopted by the Republican County Committee at a meeting tonight. The resolution further favored an instructed delegation to the Chicago convention from this State for Governor Hughes which shall use all honorable means to obtain his nomination until he is either nominated or directs the withdrawal of his name from the consideration of the convention. The committee under the resolution pledges itself to do all in its power to have congressional conventions and the State convention adopt resolutions instructing for Governor Hughes.

The indorsement of Gov. Hughes for the presidency has come up for consideration at two previous meetings of the county committee and each time resolutions to that effect were tabled after warm debates. The action of the committee on these occasions was productive of much feeling among the committeemen, and Secretary Parsons, chairman of the committee, stated that he did not desire his friends to divide his interest in any State which had a candidate of its own, and that he would greatly deprecate such a contest which imperils republican victory in New York in November.

JUMPED THROUGH WINDOW.

Bond Jumper Gains Liberty By Leap From Train.

Fort Worth, Tex., Jan. 30.—Monte Needham, aged 25, who was arrested at Tyler, Texas, after skipping a \$1000 bond given at Comanche, Oklahoma, escaped here early this morning by jumping through a car window on the Rock Island railroad.

FLOTILLA SAILS FOR PUNTA ARENAS

Buenos Ayres, Jan. 30.—The flotilla of American torpedo boats under command of Lieutenant H. I. Cone, on its way from Hampton Roads to Magdalena Bay, sailed from this port at 9 o'clock this morning for Punta Arenas, after a stay here of four days.

The North American Society of the River Platte entertained the visiting officers and men yesterday with field sports of various kinds and a collation. Over a thousand residents of Buenos Ayres were among the guests.

AN INSULT TO MOTHERHOOD.

Minneapolis Women to Enjoin Theatre From Giving Away Baby.

Minneapolis, Minn., Jan. 30.—Incensed at what they term "an insult to motherhood," certain women of Minneapolis are binding together in an effort to compel the managers of a local theatre to desist from their announced plan of giving away chances of a six weeks old child to all women who attend the matinee performance at the play house in the near future. As a last resort it is declared they will attempt to secure an injunction from the court to prevent the giving away of the baby.

Citizens Remonstrate.

From Thursday's Daily. The county commissioners met in special session today to consider the remonstrance of residents of the Crescent Lake addition to the pest house recently built in that vicinity by the county.

The citizens declare that the pest house in that neighborhood is a menace to the health of the residents of the addition and say that if the commissioners attempt to place persons afflicted with virulent or contagious diseases there that they will institute injunction proceedings.

The commissioners were out looking over the ground this afternoon and what action they propose to take could not be learned.

CHINA AWAKENING

CHINESE CAPITALISTS TO BUILD A \$6,000,000 STEEL PLANT AT HANKOW.

OTHER PLANTS IN ORIENT

Immense Steel Concerns Also Projected in India and Japan—Total Cost Will Exceed \$25,000,000.

New York, Jan. 30.—An enormous steel plant is to be erected at Hankow, China, by a company composed entirely of Chinese capitalists. It is estimated that the initial cost of the new plant will be about six million dollars. New steel plants are also projected in Japan and India. The total cost of the three plants is in excess of twenty-five million dollars.

Today's Live Stock Market.

Fort Worth, Tex., Jan. 30.—The total cattle receipts today were 1,500 head. The demand was slow, but the market was generally steady.

Beef Steers—Receipts, 400, mostly good fed stock. The demand was slow, but the market held steady.

Stockers and Feeders—The receipts were small, demand fair. Market lower, tops selling at \$3.00.

Butcher Cows—Receipts, 500. Quality medium to good. Market slow, but slightly higher. Tops sold at \$3.40.

Calves—Receipts, 400. Quality common to choice. Veniers active and higher, tops selling at \$4.00 to \$4.50.

Hogs—Receipts, 1,600. Good Oklahomas and fair Texans made up the offerings. The demand was slow and prices were five cents lower. Tops sold at \$4.30.

AMARILLO COURT BILL PASSES.

House Tacks Two Amendments on Culberson Measures.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 29.—The house this morning passed the bill introduced in the senate by Senator Culberson establishing a division of Federal Court for the Northern District of Texas at Amarillo. The bill was called up under the unanimous consent rule by Mr. Stephens.

Two amendments were adopted, which will necessitate the return of the bill to the senate for concurrence.

One of these amendments provides that the terms of court at Amarillo shall begin on the first Monday in April and the first Monday in September. As it passed the senate this was left to the discretion of the judge.

MAN AND CHILD DIE IN FIRE.

Father Rescues Four Children and is Burned to Death Near the Fifth.

McAlester, Ok., Jan. 29.—Howard Ratliff and his young child were burned to death in a fire which totally destroyed their home at Hartshorne last night. When the flames awoke the father he rescued four children sleeping in another room and, retreating for the younger, which had been sleeping with him, he was overcome by the flames and probably never reached the child, as his body was found just inside of the door and that of the child on the bed. Both were burned to a crisp. The mother and two other children were away from home.

ALL ROADS BEHIND SUITS.

Intangible Tax Question Will Be Carried Into U. S. Supreme Court.

Dallas, Tex., Jan. 30.—It was announced here today that all the Texas railroads were backing the Katy's suit testing the intangible tax law. The Katy is seeking injunctions in Dallas, Fort Worth, Sherman and Denison to restrain the county collectors from obtaining more than fifty per cent of the amount demanded. Assistant Attorney General Pollard is here this afternoon and is defending the statute before the district court. Both sides declare that they will fight it out in the Federal supreme court before quitting. Should the court hold the law invalid the State will lose over a million dollars annually.

JEROME'S CLOSING SPEECH.

Great Crowd in Court Room to Hear District Attorney.

New York, Jan. 30.—There was another crush in the criminal courts building today to hear District Attorney Jerome make his closing address for the State. Evelyn Nesbit Thaw and Josiah Thaw were the only members of the defendant's family present when Mr. Jerome began at 11 o'clock this morning.

District Attorney Jerome in his plea today stated that there was absolutely nothing in the case presented to the jury to show that Thaw was so insane on the night of the tragedy that he did not know the nature and quality of his act or that the act was not wrong. He signified his willingness, however, to accept a verdict of less than murder in the first degree.

Justice Dowling announced as the luncheon recess was taken today that he would not charge the jury until tomorrow. Attorney Jerome will conclude his speech this afternoon.

SEVERAL SUITS FILED.

Katy Road Will Fight Payment of Intangible Tax.

The Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railway Company has filed injunction suits at Dallas, Greenville, Sherman and other places in the State to enjoin the collection of intangible taxes.

In all of the suits the complaints are similar to that of the Wichita Falls Railway Company, filed in the district court here several months ago.

In the case here a statement of facts has been presented to Judge Carrigan and he will take up the consideration of the statement as soon as he finishes the criminal docket in his court. It is probable that a decision will be given in the local suit before any of the Katy suits are decided and for this reason much interest will be centered upon Judge Carrigan's ruling.

NOT GUILTY WAS JURY'S VERDICT

After being out a little over four hours the jury in the trial of Ed. Waggoner, charged with the murder of John Buford, a negro, returned a verdict of "not guilty." This morning the work of securing a jury from a special venire for the trial of Will Bennett, a negro, who is charged with murder for the killing of Gus Collins, another negro, was begun.

Bennett is being defended by Attorneys L. H. Mathis and Joe Barwise.

SHERIFF'S POSSE IN PURSUIT.

Safe Robbers at Soper, Ok., Escape After Running Fight With Citizens.

Norman, Ok., Jan. 30.—A gang of robbers early today dynamited the postoffice safe at Soper, a small town near here, and secured several hundred dollars in stamps and cash. The explosion wrecked the building and the robbers escaped on horseback, after a running fight with citizens. The sheriff with a posse and bloodhounds is in pursuit.

A Card.

I have purchased the business formerly conducted by T. B. Noble on Ohio avenue. The building has been thoroughly renovated and new goods are being added daily to the already large stock; and I am now prepared to serve all of the old customers and as many new ones as may favor me with their patronage. It is my purpose to carry an up-to-date stock along the same lines as here-to-fore followed and will endeavor to please you both in quality and price.

Yours for business,

RALPH DARNELL.

It is estimated by a local physician that there are now no less than thirty cases of pneumonia in Wichita Falls, while the number of persons afflicted with the gripe will exceed five hundred. The worst epidemic of the gripe now prevails which has ever been known in this city and nearly every other person one meets is afflicted with the epidemic.

LOST THEIR SAVINGS

ANNOUNCEMENT OF BANK SUSPENSION DISCONCERTED THE OPERA PERFORMERS.

NEW YORK BANK CLOSES

New Amsterdam National Bank Taken Over By the Comptroller of the Currency.

New York, Jan. 30.—There was consternation among the singers at the Metropolitan opera house last night when the news was made public that the comptroller of the currency had assumed charge of the New Amsterdam National bank.

Many of the singers had all their savings on deposit at this bank. Among others, Enrico Caruso is reported to have had \$40,000 on deposit in the suspended bank.

The news of the failure could not help affecting the singers at last night's performance, as it became known while the opera was in progress. The manager, fearing that the news would so disconcert the singers that the performance would have to be given up, attempted to prevent the news of the failure from reaching them, but his efforts were unsuccessful. While the singers were disconcerted by the news, the performance was not delayed.

Hanna Appointed Receiver.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 30.—Bank Examiner Charles Hanna, temporary receiver for the National Bank of North America, was today appointed temporary receiver for the New Amsterdam National Bank of New York. The general belief is that all depositors will be paid in full, with a considerable sum remaining.

SAYS IT IS FACT.

R. Robertson Confirms Guarantee on Hyomel, Cure for Catarrh.

The question having been raised as to whether or no R. Robertson will refund the money if a Hyomel outfit does not do all that is claimed for it in curing catarrh, R. Robertson wants to state positively that this guarantee is an absolute fact.

A guarantee like this is the best proof that can be offered as to the curative powers of Hyomel in all catarrhal troubles. You do not risk a cent in testing its healing virtues. R. Robertson takes all the risk.

If you have catarrh, try this wonderful medicated air of Hyomel. It does not drug or derange the stomach, but is breathed through a neat pocket inhaler that comes with every outfit, so that its medication reaches the most remote air cells in the nose, throat and lungs, where any catarrhal germs may be lurking. It quickly destroys them, heals and soothes the irritated mucous membrane and vitalizes the tissues so that catarrh is no longer possible. You can lose nothing by giving Hyomel a trial, nothing but the catarrh and that is a good riddance.

The price of the complete outfit is but \$1.00; nothing if it fails to cure. Get and outfit from R. Robertson today and begin its use at once. 8-21

McKINLEY ARRESTED.

Men Convicted of Land Grabbing is Caught at Hong Kong.

Portland, Ore., Jan. 30.—The Oregonian today says that Horace G. McKinley, who was convicted of stealing government land and who escaped from this country to the Orient while awaiting sentence, sailed from Hong Kong for Portland yesterday in charge of detectives.

Fight in Burning House.

Fort Worth, Tex., Jan. 29.—In a desperate hand-to-hand fight in a burning house, Policeman Williams overpowered Marshall Cole early this morning, but not until after both men had fallen headlong down stairs clinched. Cole was fined \$50 in the county court today.

TRUE GHOST STORY

WEIRD PICTURE OF MAN APPEARED ON MIRROR IN GAINESVILLE.

HALF A HUNDRED SAW IT

Apparition Remained on Wall for Several Days

Gainesville Messenger. Of all the ghost stories that have been told in the history of the world, the following is the most absolutely true is vouched for by almost half a hundred people who saw the apparition in the mirror in Gainesville, Tex.

Last Friday afternoon Mrs. J. N. Shacklett was sitting in her bedroom at her home on South Clements street when she gazed in the mirror and noticed a dark spot on it. Watching the dark place, she saw it take the shape of a man's head and after a few minutes she beheld the unmistakable features of her brother, Lester Harrison, who lives in Vernon.

Mrs. Shacklett was frightened and called to her sister. Her sister immediately recognized the features of her brother and called for other people. Within the space of an hour, probably fifty people had been called in to witness the phenomenon and everyone acquainted with Harrison recognized his features.

About 3 o'clock the next morning the picture began to fade and within a few minutes it had entirely disappeared.

The peculiar occurrence aroused the curiosity of all who saw it and thus far no one has offered any explanation. At first it was thought that the head had affected the quicksilver on the back of the mirror, but when the image disappeared, the mirror was as clear as ever before; others offered the explanation that it was the reflection of a photograph, but this was set for the reason that there was no picture of him in the room. In fact the only picture of him in the house was a crayon drawing which was very different from the one on the mirror.

In one room of the house was the picture in which he had posed for the crayon artist and in this he wore a hat. The doors between the rooms were closed and yet in the mirror could be seen his bust, but he wore no hat, his forehead being plainly visible.

Soon after the image was discovered in the mirror, a phone call was put in for Harrison and he responded promptly. He was told of the phenomenon and on the next morning he came to see how his picture was getting along. He was told that the picture was in the mirror and that the question of fact that the picture was

on the mirror, it was seen by too many reputations to deny that it was now in the scientist's hands. He said that though it was a ghost, it was not a ghost of water, sapollo and soda and tried to wash it off, but this made not the least impression on the picture. It was as clear after each bath as it had been before.

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CONFERENCE OF COMMISSIONERS OF AGRICULTURE WILL BE HELD IN WASHINGTON

Washington, Jan. 31. A conference of Commissioners of Agriculture of all the states south of the cattle quarantine line will be held in Washington, Feb. 1 and 2. The next day they are to appear before the Agricultural Committee of the House.

The conference is to be held in accordance with the provisions of the act representative Ransdell of Louisiana. Ransdell has introduced a bill to appropriate \$500,000 for the purpose of giving \$100,000 and such a showing has been made to warrant a larger appropriation for the year.

Secretary Wilson favors an appropriation of \$150,000 while Dr. Melvin, chief of the Bureau of Animal Industry, thinks the amount ought to be \$300,000. It is not believed that this amount can be secured, but it is believed that if the appropriation is properly acquired with the tremendous loss that the South has become of the cattle tick, and of the efficacy of the means adopted to exterminate it, a more liberal appropriation will be made.

The call for the proposed meeting of the Agricultural Commissioners in Washington was issued by the Agricultural Commissioner of North Carolina, who has been in communication with Mr. Ransdell.

Secretary Dorsey of Texas Grain Dealers Association. The association has been formed for the purpose of conducting an inquiry among the members of the association as to the conditions of the grain trade in Texas and the fact that there is no grain in the state of the grain trade and that Texas will be absolutely free from the pest this year. This is the highest record from the fact that the grain has already appeared in Kansas, and inasmuch as the grain is not in the slightest danger.

Such was the statement of Secretary H. B. Dorsey of the Texas Grain Dealers' Association tonight at the close of the association's session at the Arkansas committee of the association. Mr. Dorsey also said that he was certain that the Texas grain trade was in a better position than it has been for some time and that he was confident that it would be a subject of great interest to the public.

Stock of the best Mackerel.

It is a pretty well known fact that Americans as a rule do not eat more fish than they should. They claim that there are more fish in the sea than there are people to eat them. We have a specially selected stock of Mackerel in kits at \$1.25 or bulk at 10c each and tasters.

Sauer Kraut and Pickles

We have a variety of complete assortment of Sauer Kraut and Pickles. They are noted for their purity and flavor. Heinz famous goods are available in various sizes. Sweet Pickles at 10c per dozen. And Pancakes are in great favor now and our brand of Pancake Flour will make the best cakes you ever ate with Maple Syrup. You could not ask for a more complete and satisfying breakfast. Pancake Flour in a pound package. Monarch Maple Syrup 6c per quart or \$1.00 per half gallon.

Maple Syrup

Maple Syrup is a natural product of the maple tree. It is a delicious and healthy food. We have a variety of sizes and brands available. Monarch Maple Syrup is a popular choice. It is perfect for use in pancakes, waffles, and other breakfast foods. It is also a great addition to your diet.

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Wichita Falls, Texas

Among those who were called in to see the image were Cal Shacklett, Mrs. J. R. Jordan and daughters, Miss May Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Bob White and Dan Bosley. There can be no question of fact that the picture was

the future oat crop. Inasmuch as the crop was decidedly short and the present prices are the highest recalled in the history of the state of wheat, no doubt will be ascribed to the present prices at harvest. It is the change not to be overlooked by the farmer. The growing crop is in the best condition and everything looks mighty good for the Texas farmer.

ward." The comptroller's secretary, male person between the ages of 21 and 60 years residing in a certain city on the first day of January is subject of the oldest law of Texas. It is no doubt to be ascribed to the present prices at harvest. It is the change not to be overlooked by the farmer. The growing crop is in the best condition and everything looks mighty good for the Texas farmer.

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Other stores get \$12.50 - We Give them away Free!

Read this Offer: Any time you buy a new set of furniture from us, we will give you a set of six dining chairs free. This is a special offer to help you furnish your home. The chairs are made of high quality wood and are very comfortable. They are perfect for use in your dining room. This offer is available while supplies last.

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A. L. TOMPKINS, The Plumber.

ELECTION LAW VIOLATIONS.
Tarrant County Attorney Alleges Violations By Liquor Men.
 Special to the Times.
 Fort Worth, Tex., Jan. 28.—The Tarrant county grand jury on February 10th will begin a wholesale prosecution of alleged violations of the Tarrant election law.
 County Attorney Ray today declared that half of the poll tax receipts were paid by the liquor interests and incriminates several prominent men. Several members of the Fort Worth police force are charged with accepting money to pay their poll taxes.

Robbed a Wichita Man.
 On last Saturday a man by the name of E. F. Holloway of Wichita Falls came through here on the train bound for Stamford, and shortly after leaving Munday he found that his grip was gone, and thinking that it was stolen while he was out eating supper at Munday, he notified City Marshal Bickers, who went to work on the case and Sunday evening Mr. Bickers secured a hand car and by the assistance of the following young gentlemen: L. Clark, Bob Mullens, John Churchwell, Billy Bolling, Claud Brown, Flake Moore and John Adams, made a flying trip to Welnet, where he succeeded in locating the grip, which had been sold to a party there. Mr. Bickers phoned to the authorities of Seymour to look out for the man they were suspecting, and before noon the officers there arrested him, the man giving the name of T. S. Key.
 He was brought over here by the officers of Seymour, but as it was developed that the theft was made in Haskell county the prisoner was turned over to the Haskell authorities. We understand the gentleman plead guilty to taking the grip and selling the contents.—Munday Times.

ARGUMENT IS REACHED.
Statement of Facts in Tax Suit is Laid Before Judge Carrigan.
 From Monday's Daily.
 After a conference lasting several days Assistant Attorney General Pollard and Tax Commissioner Davie reached an agreement with Attorney J. T. Montgomery concerning the statement of facts in the suit of the Wichita Falls Railway Co. to enjoin the collection of the full amount of the intangible tax assessed against the company in this county.
 The statement was presented to Judge Carrigan in the District Court Saturday evening for his consideration. Judge Carrigan's time is now fully occupied with the trial of the criminal cases now in court and it will be a week or ten days before he can look over the statement and come to a decision in the case.
 Messrs. Pollard and Davie left for Austin yesterday.

Miss Young Entertained "42" Club
 From Monday's Daily.
 Miss Minnie Young entertained the "42" Club and a few friends at her home on Broad street Saturday evening. Those present included: Mr. and Mrs. Langford, Mr. and Mrs. Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Noble, Mr. and Mrs. Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. Gorsline, Dr. and Mrs. DuVal, Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery, Mr. and Mrs. Woodward, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Jackson, Mrs. Darnell and Miss Irene Raney and Mr. and Mrs. Boddy of Henrietta, and Miss Ivey of of Paris, France.
 The refreshments were unusually dainty and refreshing.

FARMERS UNION CO. ELECTS DIRECTORS
 From Monday's Daily.
 In connection with the regular monthly convention of the members of the Wichita district of the Farmers' Educational and Co-Operative Union in this city last Saturday, the stockholders of the Farmers' Union Gin and Warehouse Company elected a board of directors for the ensuing year. The election resulted in the selection of the following directors: J. T. S. Gant, R. E. Simmons, J. L. McConkey, Will Gwinn, R. H. Suter, G. R. Decker, L. P. Davidson, H. G. Karrenbrock, and John Moore.
 The above named directors will probably meet next Saturday to organize.

From Monday's Daily.
 A grass fire originating from a cigar stub thrown upon the ground in front of F. E. Curtis' residence at noon today threatened the destruction of Mr. Curtis' home. The fire invaded the yard and burned the grass up to the house and had started to burn under the building. The fire company was called out and extinguished the blaze before it had gained any headway.

LARGE SALARIES.
 Depend largely upon preparation. The business world is continually seeking persons qualified to fill the best paying positions. We can prepare you for just these positions. Investigate and be convinced. Prepare now! Wichita Commercial College. 48-49

JURY IS DISCHARGED

STEARNS CASE RESULTS IN A MISTRIAL—JURY OUT FORTY HOURS.

WAGGONER CASE BEGUN

Jury is Being Selected to Try Ed. Waggoner on the Charge of Murder.
 From Monday's Daily.
 After being out more than forty hours the jury in the trial of L. G. Stearns, charged with rape upon the person of Gladys Green, was discharged this afternoon at the opening of court. The jury was out since 8 o'clock Saturday night and upon its first ballot is reported to have stood ten to two for acquittal. In all of the subsequent ballots it is said there was no change from this vote.
 Before retiring Saturday night the jury asked for the reporter's copy of the testimony of Gladys Green and the defendant. This was furnished them last night, but did not aid the jurors in getting together upon a verdict.

The Waggoner Case.
 This afternoon the examination of the special venire of sixty talesmen for the trial of Ed. Waggoner was begun and it is expected to complete the jury this afternoon.
 Waggoner is charged with the murder of John Bufford, a negro saloon porter. Bufford was shot by Waggoner in A. E. Holley's saloon last summer. District Attorney P. A. Martin is conducting the prosecution and Attorney L. H. Mathis is attorney for Waggoner.

From Tuesday's Daily.
 The jury to try Ed. Waggoner for the killing of John Bufford, a negro saloon porter, in a saloon in this city on the morning of September 2nd, was made up and took their seats in the jury box at 3 o'clock this afternoon. The witnesses were sworn and placed under the rule, and the taking of testimony was begun. The first witness to be examined was Nora Bufford.

The Sick.
 From Tuesday's Daily.
 Col. William Linderberg, who represents a copper mining syndicate in this section, is confined to his room at the St. James hotel with a severe attack of the grippe.

Frank Elliott is sick at his home with a severe attack of the grippe.
 Mrs. A. Zundelowitz and Mrs. D. P. Woodward are suffering from severe attacks of the grippe.
 Mrs. R. E. Huff is on the sick list this week.
 Mr. D. M. Perkins, stenographer for the Wichita Mill and Elevator Co., is confined to his room with the grippe.

There are about half a dozen yellow lags tacked up in different parts of the city, indicating that there are as many cases of smallpox here. None of the patients are very sick, but a strict quarantine is being maintained by the authorities.
 In all there are perhaps as many as one hundred cases of the grip in the city, but only a few of the patients have been forced to go to their beds.

ANOTHER RAILROAD.
Effort Will Be Made to Build a Line From Oklahoma City to Wichita.
 Chickasha, Ok., Jan. 26.—To try to have completed and in operation this year a railroad from Oklahoma City to Wichita Falls, Texas, via Chickasha was the decision reached at a meeting of the stockholders of the Southern Railway Company, a corporation organized two years ago with a capital stock of \$1,000,000. Lawrence Martin of this place is president; R. E. Miller of Myton, Utah, vice president; W. W. Graves of Walters, Ok., secretary and treasurer.

Order is to Collect 100 Per Cent.
 Lawton, Ok., Jan. 25.—So as to more nearly meet the liabilities of the defunct Merchants' and Planters' bank of Lawton, it appearing that the assets of the institution through their depreciation cannot meet the obligations, Receiver Anderson, upon petition, was ordered by District Judge Johnson to assess and collect the 100 per cent, \$25,000, from the stockholders. Exception was filed by counsel for the estate of D. R. Rankin, the dead cashier of the bank, but it was overruled. Rankin, according to the stock books, owned 173 of the 250 shares.

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Has opened his tailor shop in the rooms upstairs over Tullis' paint shop and solicits your orders. If you like to be dressy, then have him make you a suit. All work guaranteed. Call and see my new Spring Samples. Cleaning and Repairing a Specialty. Suits pressed while you wait.

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MAY TAKE NO ACTION

DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE NOT LIKELY TO SUBMIT ISSUES AT COMING MEETING.

CAMPAIGN NOT EARLY

Delay in Making Call Leads to This Conclusion—To Consider Delegate Question.

It seems unlikely now that there will be a meeting of the State Democratic Executive Committee early in February, as was indicated some time ago, as no call for same has been issued.

Some interest is being manifested in the approaching meeting, because of the efforts which will be made to secure the submission of various propositions to become a part of the Democratic State platform. Under the provisions of the election law no platform shall contain any specific demand for legislation unless the same shall have received a majority vote in the primary election, and it made the duty of the executive committee to submit any such propositions in the primary upon petition of ten per cent of the voters at the next preceding general election.

Among the propositions which the executive committee may be asked to submit is that the Thirty-first legislature shall submit to the people a State-wide prohibition amendment to the constitution. The prohibition campaign committee is to decide in a week whether or not it will make such request.

It is said, however, that the democratic executive committee at its approaching meeting will deal only with matters pertaining to the convention to send delegates to the national convention, and that it will take no action looking to the general primaries until a meeting to be held later in the year. In this case the campaign upon platform propositions will not begin early. —Dallas News.

SCHOOL FUND CASH SHORT.

Independent Districts Likely to Have to Seek an Outside Market.

Austin, Tex., Jan. 24.—Independent school districts over the State continue to issue bonds and hardly a day passes that the attorney general's department does not approve an issue or two. These are registered in the controller's department. An issue of \$11,800 Arlington Heights school bonds have been approved, being ten-forties bearing five per cent; also \$16,000 Knox City independent school district bonds, being ten-forties bearing five per cent.

The various independent school districts must find an outside market for their bonds, as the school fund has been kept at a minimum and the issues far exceed the fund available for investment. At this time the permanent school fund has practically nothing in it in the way of cash, but owns interest bearing bonds to the magnificent sum of over fourteen million dollars. The school fund takes all of the bonds it possibly can, but as it has little money to invest at this time, the school districts appear as though they are finding a ready market for their securities on the outside. One issue recently yielded 6 per cent.

From Monday's Daily.

The fact that M. J. Gardner was one year older than he had ever been before, as was also his son Max, was the reason for a very enjoyable gathering at the Gardner home on the corner of Tenth and Brod streets yesterday. Those present being Mr. and Mrs. Will Gardner, of Jolly, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gardner of the Gardner ranch, Mrs. Nannie Jenne and daughter, Alice Mrs. Elvora Crawford, Harlie Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Gibson, and Charles Crowell. These with the host and hostess, and Misses Lena and Rhea who are still at home, and Max, made a merry party who did ample justice to the many good things Mrs. Gardner had provided for the occasion.

From Monday's Daily.

This morning Dr. J. C. A. Guest reported to the officers the theft of an instrument case and a medicine grip from his buggy last night. A short time later he was called up over the telephone by one of the crew of a Wichita Valley freight train who reported that he had found the case and the grip along the side of the railroad track near town early this morning. None of the contents were missing. There is no clue as to the identity of the robbers.

AFTER A FEDERAL BUILDING.

Local Committee Will Present Claim of - Wichita Falls.

The committee appointed at the last meeting of the Chamber of Commerce to have charge of the campaign to secure a federal building and a federal court for Wichita Falls has taken up its work and is now gathering statistics to present to the committee on public buildings and grounds in the United States House of Representatives. Richard Bartholdt is chairman of this committee and the members of the subcommittee who have been put in charge of the applications in Texas are B. F. Howell of New York, J. E. Andrews of New Jersey, F. M. Nye of Minnesota, Morris Sheppard of Texas and J. T. Johnson of North Carolina.

Anyone who can exert any influence or bring any influence to bear upon any member of this committee should advise Postmaster Otis T. Bacon, who is a member of the committee appointed by the Chamber of Commerce.

Congressman Stephens, in a letter to a prominent Wichita Falls man, states that he believes an appropriation can be secured for a federal building in Wichita Falls if the proper effort is made.

PRETTY "500" PARTY.

Mrs. Burnside and Mrs. McGregor Entertain in Honor of Mr. and Mrs. Greenwood.

From Tuesday's Daily.
Mrs. W. M. McGregor and Mrs. S. H. Burnside very pleasantly entertained a number of young people at the hospitable Burnside home on Seventh street last night at a "500" party in honor of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Greenwood.

The gentleman's souvenir, a handsome watch fob was awarded to Mr. Freeman, while Mrs. Doran was the recipient of the lady's favor, a pretty sterling hat pin.

A dainty salad course was served during the evening.

The guests were the Misses Curly, Daugherty, Kemp, Sitton, Barwise, Walker, Anderson, Lysaght, Willis, Doran, Levy, Cobb and Brooks, Mesarrs. Durland, Dr. Walker, Malone, Dr. Felder, Hendricks, Freeman, Walker, Spatcher, Colgin, Priddy, Piner and Dave Avis, Terhune, Heath, and Darnell, M. F. and Mrs. Greenwood, Mr. and Mrs. Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. Jackson and Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Felder.

Unity Club Meets.

From Saturday's Daily.
The Unity Club was very pleasantly entertained at a very interesting meeting at the home of Mrs. T. B. Greenwood on Lamar avenue Friday afternoon. The program for the meeting was a continuation of the study of Shakespeare's "King John," in which the club has been engaged, the leader for the meeting being Mrs. Darnell.

Mrs. J. F. Reed contributed a very interesting and carefully prepared paper on "Shakespeare's indebtedness and departures from the old play." This paper evoked a very interesting discussion and brought out many interesting points in connection with the play and the great dramatist's life.

The meeting was well attended and two out of town guests were present, Mrs. P. H. Boddy and Miss Kate Patterson of Henrietta.

STAMFORD STATION IS PLANNED.

Texas Central and Wichita Valley Officials Decide to Build.

Stamford, Tex., Jan. 25.—At a conference held here between Charles A. Hamilton, vice president and general manager of the Texas Central Railroad and D. B. Keeler, vice president and general manager of the Wichita Valley railroad, and a committee from the Commercial Club an agreement was reached whereby a passenger station will be erected here, work to begin as soon as plans can be drawn and the contract awarded.

The station will be modern and of either stone or brick. It will be used by the two roads named and also by the Stamford and Northwestern when completed.

IRATE FATHER OUTWITTED.

Girl Leaves Meal and Joins Lover in Successful Flight to Matrimony.

Fort Worth, Tex., Jan. 25.—Leaving the meal which she was preparing for her father to burn, Drucilla Maples, still wearing her apron, eloped today with Joe Young. The girl joined the youth, who was waiting in an alley with a carriage, and rushed to the preacher and was married but a moment before the irate father, who opposed the match, arrived.

EARNINGS DECREASE

Cost of Operating Shows an Increase of 21.11 Per Cent During Same Period.

EXPENSES SHOW INCREASE

TEXAS RAILROADS SHOW LOSS IN GROSS EARNINGS OF 22.6 PER CENT.

Austin, Tex., Jan. 25.—The railroad commission today gave out a statement showing the condition of Texas railroads for the first five months of the present fiscal year and gave a comparison with the same period of last year. The statement shows gross earnings of \$38,853,999 for the first five months of the last fiscal year and \$37,977,329 for the first five months of this fiscal year, a decrease of 2.26 per cent. The gross freight earnings of the same period shows a decrease of \$627,855 or 2.33 per cent. Gross operating expenses show an increase of \$5,284,888 or 21.11 per cent over the same period last year.

Growth of Towns.

Every town in the Southwest is being weighed in the balances. Push and energy will carry some to the zenith of power and influence, while others, irresolute, will linger and decay. Those that win are in the fight, and when the day's march is ended their banners will be covered with glory. The Southwest is a field amply large for the population of all Christendom, and every year thousands of immigrants are casting their lots in this favored section. The cities that grow will watch for homeseekers and prepare to offer them inducements of some kind. The downward tendency of most towns is caused by a citizenry that has little foresight and no appreciation of existing opportunities.—Texas Trade Review and Industrial Record.

No better explanation could be given for the growth of Wichita Falls during recent years from a country village to an enterprising city—one of the best—shall we not say the best, in the grand old State of Texas.

Nature endowed this locality with many advantages, and prophetic citizens have seen the opportunities here and have presented them to the homeseeker and the investor, with the result that the growth of Wichita Falls and the development of the country surrounding has been one of the wonders in the development of the Southwest.

While the tide of immigration has set for the Southwest in ever increasing volume, some towns that have enjoyed prosperity in the past will fail because of a temporary adversity caused by the recent financial panic, which has discouraged the enterprise and the expectation of their citizens.

Wichita Falls, if we are to judge by present conditions, has suffered little from the recent flurry, and so far from being discouraged her citizens are more confident of the future than at any time since the town was founded.

If there has ever been any let-up in the growth and prosperity of Wichita Falls during the past two or three months, it has not had sufficient effect to reduce the price of real estate. On the contrary, vacant property which changed hands during the midst of the money panic has since changed again at a considerable advance in price. Desirable residence property is getting very scarce, and lots which one year ago were considered high at from \$400 to \$500 cannot now be purchased for less than \$500 to \$750. In the business portion values on vacant lots have been more than doubled and in a few instances trebled.

Notice to Stockholders.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Wichita Falls Railway Company will be held at its general offices in the city of Wichita Falls, Texas, on Tuesday, February 4th, 1908, for the election of a Board of Directors to serve during the ensuing year and for the transaction of such other business as may come before said meeting.

Immediately following the meeting of the stockholders there will be held a meeting of the Board of Directors for the election of officers for the ensuing year and for the transaction of any other business that may come before the directors.
J. A. KEMP,
Attest: President.
OTIS T. BACON, Secretary. 4-5t

A young man whose name is said to be A. W. Thomas and whose home is said to be at Haskell was arrested Saturday afternoon upon a charge that he had robbed Joe Hearne, of Memphis, Texas in a boarding house.

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Wichita's Newest Dining Place

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High Low or	Ladies' Muslin Skirts	Ladies' Muslin Dresses
50c Gowns..... 39c	One of the handsomest gowns we ever offered at this price. It is made of fine muslin with 2 rows of English French Lace insertion and edging. This skirt is finished with three rows of insertion with clusters of fine tucks. Our sale price..... 98c	Our leader is made of fine Muslin with 2 rows of English French Lace insertion and edging. Our sale price..... 45c
\$1.25 Gowns..... 98c	Others offered at price..... 1.19	Others offered in this sale as low as..... 25c
\$2.00 Gowns..... 1.48	Others offered at price..... 1.79	

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WICHITA FALLS OPERA HOUSE

THE WICHITA FALLS OPERA HOUSE COMPANY WILL APPLY FOR CHARTER

OFFICERS WERE CHOSEN

From Friday's DISPATCH
Last night at the Chamber of Commerce hall the stockholders met to hold their first meeting. A majority of the stockholders was represented and the organization was perfected by the election of C. W. Jones as chairman of the meeting, W. D. Anderson as secretary and J. A. Kemp as treasurer.

By a resolution the company is to be known as the Wichita Falls Opera House Company and is to be capitalized at \$20,000.

Transacted by the meeting was the election of a board of seven directors of the company and the following were unanimously chosen: J. A. Kemp, Frank Kelly, C. W. Jones, J. L. Jackson, W. M. McGregor and N. Henderson.

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For County Tax Assessor:
W. J. BULLOCK.

DINGLEY RECIPROCIITY.

The meaning of reciprocity under the Dingley system appears fully in the French trade agreement under the Dingley bill, signed in Washington yesterday, and scheduled to go into effect on February 1st, without being submitted to the senate as a treaty, though the constitution requires all treaties with foreign countries to be ratified by the senate before they become effective.

As the leading provisions of this reciprocity are defined, France will admit petroleum products and meat products from this country with minimum tariff rates on petroleum and less severe inspection of meat products.

This will be of great and immediate benefit to the Standard Oil Company and to the combinations in Chicago which control so much of the marketable surplus of exported dressed and canned meat products.

By way of "reciprocity" to France, the agreement provides as its greatest concession an "abatement of 20 per cent in the duty on champagne."

American taxpayers who wish to buy woolen goods cheaper for everyday wear must either pay the price charged them at home under the Dingley bill or the price in open market plus an average Dingley rate of \$89.42 tax on every \$100 worth of average woolen goods allowed to pass the Dingley guards. But those who want more and cheaper champagne as one of the necessities of their existence can get it past the Dingley lines at a reciprocity reduction of \$20 on the \$100. So the reciprocity fraud completes the system of fraudulent taxation for purposes of graft.—St. Louis Republic.

Reports from the ginners and the records of the cotton shipments show that nearly every county in the lower Panhandle and the Wichita country has raised and shipped more cotton this year than ever before and still there is a good part of the crop yet unmarketed. With the largest cotton production ever known, and fine prospects for a good wheat yield, and with crop diversification proving that almost every agricultural crop known can be raised with profit here, there is no wonder that this section is taking a front rank as an agricultural and stock raising country. New settlers are pouring into this land of milk and honey in an amazing volume and are buying lands while they are still cheap. Every town in this section of the State has felt the benefit of the great agricultural prosperity and many of them are making remarkable strides, both in a business way and in growth in population. This brings up the thought, too, that the people are the most energetic and progressive to be found throughout the length and breadth of the Union—just the sort who will develop the country to its greatest possibilities.

The Democratic Congressional Steering Committee, in choosing Senator Bailey as "chairman of the committee on the disposition of useless executive documents," paid him a rather doubtful compliment. The dispatches say the honor is principally sought for on account of the fact that it carries with it a \$2,000 clerkship and office room; that the committee seldom meets for the reason that there is little or nothing for it to do.

In speaking of his guarantee deposit measure Congressman Hinshaw said: "There were in the 6,825 national banks of the country in 1906 \$4,056,000,000 deposits, and 1897 \$1,770,000,000, and for the ten years from 1897 to 1906, inclusive, the average was a little less than \$5,000,000,000. A tax of one-twentieth of one per cent upon the deposits of 1906 would produce \$2,000,000 per annum. The losses from national bank failures amount to \$1,000,000 a year. The tax of one-twentieth of one per cent upon a bank having deposits of \$200,000 would amount to \$100 in such years as the tax is levied; upon a bank with \$500,000 deposits \$250, upon \$1,000,000 deposits \$500; sums which, to the ordinary banker, would be insignificant when compared to the perfect security both to depositors and banker. A law of this kind would, in my judgment, effectually prevent panics, and the recurrence of the lack of confidence which was probably the cause of the late financial disturbance. This would in no way interfere with the action which the several States would probably take likewise to insure the depositors of State banks as Oklahoma has already done. Postal savings banks would be a step in the right direction, but it seems to me that the method here proposed would be effective of full and absolute security. Suggestions would be gladly received upon the details of this measure. This question is now receiving much consideration from various members of congress, but it is difficult yet to say whether any legislation can be accomplished."

The Times' attention has been called to the fact that the city law governing peddlers of goods and wares is not being enforced. Our merchants, are required to pay occupation and other taxes to sustain the municipal, county and State government, and if peddlers who make a pretense at soliciting orders for some wholesale house are allowed to enter our city and take orders for any article of dry goods, groceries, hardware, etc., they should at least be required to take out an occupation tax. If there is no city ordinance governing this matter, the city council should lose no time in framing one up that will cover the case of these "drummers" with pencil and pad and an armful of samples, who come into our city and make a house to house canvass, taking orders for everything from a pair of socks to a piano. If they are required to pay a tax, like that imposed on home merchants, perhaps there will be fewer of them. The home merchant is entitled to protection along this line and if there is any law by which these peddlers can be required to pay an occupation tax it should be enforced.

For years Wichita Falls has been advertised as a good show town, and it is, but the "frost" given last night at the Olympic to Lucia Moore in "Alice-Sit-By-The-Fire" indicates that our people have become so accustomed to witnessing poor shows that they do not appreciate a real attraction when an opportunity presents itself. Only last week a show of little or no reputation drew a \$200 house to the Olympic. Compare this to the \$67 house, for an attraction which, in most towns, requires a guarantee of \$350 for a one night stand, and see the difference. Many of our people did not buy tickets for the reason they were under the impression that a \$1.50 attraction could not be played on so small a stage as is afforded by the Olympic, but the few who did witness the performance were highly pleased. The Times regrets exceedingly that "Alice-Sit-By-The-Fire" met with such a poor reception in Wichita Falls. Without any doubt, it was the best show that has visited this city in ten years.

From 1880 to 1907, inclusive, citizens of Texas have paid as premiums to life insurance companies the neat sum of \$90,892,142 and have received in return \$30,064,400. These figures will give some idea of the enormous rate the people of Texas are paying for life insurance and yet there are a few who are inclined to believe that our laws requiring the life insurance companies to invest a portion of their profits in Texas should be repealed. Three of the old line companies have withdrawn from the State. The law is a good one and should stand as it is now.

Governor Folk of Missouri has announced himself as a candidate for the United States Senate, to succeed Senator W. J. Stone, and will open his campaign in a speech at St. Joseph on February 1st.

All the world loves a hustler, and it will take a hustler to handle the affairs of the Commercial Club. But about one man in a thousand can properly fill this office, and no time should be lost in clinching that one man.—Dalhart Texan.

That is a fact which many town promoters do not as yet seem to realize. There are thousands of those fellows who can do "a stunt or two" in the way of giving publicity to a town's resources and possibilities, but most of them are "quarter horses" and after the first "event" are ready for other engagements. Men who are competent to fill these positions draw good salaries and they are worth it. Every thriving, growing city should have what is commonly termed "a publicity expert."

Down in the south part of the State a few days ago a fellow who is a candidate for county office was asked the question: "Are you for Bailey or against him?" His prompt reply was: "Mr. Bailey is not a candidate for office; I am. Ask him is he for or against me." The report does not say which side of the question that fellow was lined up on during the recent "Bailey investigation," but his manner of mooting the question is to be admired. Senator Bailey is a pretty big fellow, but he is not the whole cheese. It will be ample time to make "for" or "against" Bailey an issue when that gentleman again comes before the people asking for an endorsement of his record.

After many months of persistent agitation the Gainesville Messenger has at last argued the business men to the importance of a live commercial organization and a meeting will be held there tonight to take the preliminary steps to perfect such an organization.

If you want your suit pressed today give it to Patty. Phone 505. 215-61

NEW GOODS

We want to call your attention to the arrival of a large line of early spring Suits, Cloaks and Skirts of the famous Fabrian brand, which insures the correctness of fit, style and finish.

WHITE GOODS

We are also showing a large assortment of the newest Laces and Embroideries that it will pay you to investigate before making your purchases.

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We are offering for your inspection a complete line of all the late creations in early to wear Veils in all the late French effects.

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We are continuing to give one-half off on all our winter stock of Ladies' Cloaks and Suits

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WOULD TEACH SCHOOL BOYS HOW TO SHOOT.

New York, Jan. 23.—It is said there will be introduced in congress within a short time a bill providing for the encouragement of rifle shooting among school boys. The plan is to have the government furnish the firearms and ammunition for the regular school boy associations as they are now furnished to the National Guard of the various states.

School boys in New York State have taken great interest in target practice and the "associations" of school boys are constantly growing. The shooting is done under the direction of competent teachers and some excellent scores have resulted. President Roosevelt is much interested in the plan to make good shots of school boys, and it is claimed favors the proposed bill.

MCDONALD SAYS HE WILL SUE.

State Revenue Agent Announces Action Will Ensnare.

Austin, Tex., Jan. 28.—Captain W. J. McDonald, State revenue agent, stated today that he would sue persons who failed to pay their occupation taxes regardless of the fact that the criminal prosecutions are to be discontinued.

The attorney general held that criminal prosecution could not be carried on under a law that had been repealed for the collection of taxes. This will not prevent the filing of civil suits to recover the taxes due. The suits will likely be brought in Travis county.

Wichita Falls is short on one thing—dwelling houses. Money invested in that kind of property is bringing from 10 to 20 per cent and tenants are more than glad of the opportunity to pay it.

DON'T PAY RENT ALL YOUR LIFE

Buy your own home; do it now; instead of accumulating a handful of rent receipts at the end of the year. Apply your money to the purchase of a home and be independent.

THE WICHITA DEVELOPMENT COMPANY

Has just completed twenty-five modern cottages, of from four to five rooms each, situated from 6 to 8 blocks of the business portion of the city. For the purpose of further developing its property, the company has decided to offer for sale a number of its houses. The following is a list of the houses, with the prices asked for each:

Price List of Property Owned by The Wichita Development Co.

HOUSE NO.	NO.	STREET	PRICE	HOUSE NO.	NO.	STREET	PRICE
1	310	BURNETT ST.	\$1350.00	20	408	AUSTIN AVE	\$1250.00
2	312	"	1650.00	21	410	"	1250.00
3	400	Cor. 4th Bur.	1650.00	22	412	Cor. 4th Austin	1300.00
4	402	"	1400.00	23	500	Cor. 4th Austin	1500.00
5	404	"	1400.00	24	502	"	1250.00
6	406	"	1400.00	25	504	"	1250.00
7	410	"	1450.00	Vacant Lots Lots No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 Block No. 121, Price each \$250.00 Lot No. 4, " " " 145, " " " 350.00 Lot No. 10, " " " 144, " " " 300.00 Lots No. 4, 5, 6 " " " 144, " " " 200.00 All inside lots west half of blocks No. 121, 122, 145, each 200.00 Corner lots west side same blocks 250.00 Prices on other lots on application.			
8	412	Cor. 5th Bur.	1700.00				
9	500	Cor. 5th Bur.	1800.00				
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12	511	with lot 8	1600.00				
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14	505	"	1400.00				
15	503	"	1650.00				
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HEAVY FIRE LOSSES

FLAMES INFLICT HEAVY DAMAGE AT PORTLAND, ME., AND BALTIMORE, MD.

THREE FIREMEN KILLED

Others Were Seriously Injured in Baltimore Fire—Century Old Records Destroyed at Portland.

Baltimore, Md., Jan. 24.—Three firemen were killed and sixteen others more or less seriously injured in a fire early this morning. The list of the injured includes George Horton, chief of the fire department, who has a badly lacerated scalp and internal injuries; Lieutenant Frederick Harmon, William B. Pugh, and an unidentified man thought to be Emil Morris.

The financial damage is estimated by Mayor J. Barry Mahool, who was on the scene early, at \$400,000.

The blaze started on the third floor of the building occupied by J. Register, Sons & Company, dealers in plumbers' supplies. The other occupants of the building were the Baltimore Bell and Brass Company and the William D. Holdingsworth Company, machinists. Upon these three firms the heaviest losses will fall.

The firemen lost their lives by the falling of a large section of a wall of the burning building.

Judge Hendry Building Houses.

From Friday's Daily.
R. H. Durham was in town this week from the old Bellah ranch after more lumber. Judge Hendry of Wichita, who now owns this ranch of 12 sections, is having houses built for Messrs Wright, Alexander and Underwood who have bought land out of the tract. Judge Hendry intends cutting it up and selling most of it for farming land. This will add greatly to the population of Baylor county. His son is living on it this year. They have already broken 250 acres of land and are busy grubbing out more. —Sour Banner.

The Belknap Coal Fields.

From Friday's Daily.
F. B. Slagler was in from the Belknap coal fields last Tuesday and remembered the Leader with a pleasant call. Mr. Slagler informs us that the Wichita Falls and Southern Railway Company will run a new line from the Henry Williams place, west of True, to the river, and will likely cross at or near the mouth of California creek. This will leave the old survey several miles to the east, and in case the new line is adopted the coal fields at Belknap will be abandoned for a time. Work on this new line was started yesterday.

Mr. Slagler believes the coal at the mouth of California creek is superior to that near Belknap and believes that the new line will be the accepted one. He also stated that steel was laid to within four miles of Olney last Monday and that beyond a doubt the road would be completed to that place by the first of February. The road will be built to the coal fields and ready for business by April 1st.

When asked as to his idea where the road would be built after reaching the coal fields next April, Mr. Slagler said he believed it would go on south and connect with the T. and E. Graham Leader.

DEATH OF CHARLES RUSSELL.

Former Conductor and Resident of This City Dies at Henrietta.

From Wednesday's Daily.

A message from Henrietta last night bore the sad news of the death at that place of Charles Russell, formerly a conductor on the Fort Worth and Denver and a former resident of this city. Mr. Russell had been a resident of Henrietta about six months and for over a year had been a sufferer with Bright's disease, which resulted in his death at about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The deceased was a son of C. W. Russell, an old conductor on the Denver, formerly of this city, but now a resident of Tarrant county. He was about 35 years of age and was a member of Division No. 499 of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen at this place.

He is survived by a wife, and has a sister, Mrs. E. P. Walsh, living here. The funeral will be held at Henrietta at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Walsh are already at Henrietta and several members of the B. R. of T. of this city left for Henrietta this morning to attend the funeral. Included in the party were Jack Miller, Joe Hamilton, James Stearns, George Stearns, F. F. Davis, A. B. Ruff, and E. B. Stonecipher.

Going into the Coal Field.

A corps of surveyors for the Wichita Falls and Southern, under the direction of Engineer Field, is now engaged in making the final survey of the route for the road from Olney to the coal fields, some twelve miles distant from that town. The track layers are now within four miles of Olney.

The road will be pushed on from Olney to the coal fields at once and arrangements are being made to sink several shafts into the coal beds, so that the road can begin hauling coal as soon as it is completed.

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IS CHARY OF COMMENTS

Does Not Care to Discuss Hughes or Taft for Fear of Hurting Their Feelings.

From Saturday's Daily.
Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 24.—William Jennings Bryan was asked in this city today if he would accept the democratic nomination for president in 1908 if offered. His reply was: "I am not a volunteer for the place. If I am drafted, however, I will not desert."

Mr. Bryan arrived here with Judson Harmon of Ohio late this afternoon. They came from Birmingham, where both made speeches last night. Mr. Bryan missed his connection for Washington in this city and remained here until 9 o'clock as a guest of the Young Men's Democratic League.

Mr. Bryan was asked about the probable candidates of the republican party, particularly with regard to Mr. Taft and Gov. Hughes, and replied: "I don't care to hurt either Mr. Taft or Mr. Hughes by any opinion or expression of mine," saying this with a laugh.

In reply to a question regarding dispatch from Washington in relation to an effort said to be made by Wm. Sheehan of New York and former Senator James Smith to have some other candidate for the head of the democratic ticket in the next presidential campaign, Mr. Bryan said:

"I have heard nothing official in regard to this move. When it comes to me from the guardians of the democratic party I will then give my answer."

Mr. Bryan declined to comment on Judge Alton B. Parker's recently published charge that Mr. Bryan had not acted in good faith toward him prior to his nomination for the presidency.

"I have not read the statement of Judge Parker," he said, "and the merit that it appears in a newspaper would not warrant the assumption that Judge Parker said it or was correct; quoted. I would not, in any event however, care to discuss the matter."

NEILL AT HIS OFFICE.

Farmers Union President Able to Be Out for First Time Since His Assault.

Fort Worth, Texas, Jan. 27.—President D. J. Neill, of the Texas Farmers Union was at his office today for the first time since the fistful encounter there over a week ago when he was severely hurt by two Dallas publishers. He is not fully recovered, but is improving rapidly. He says that the Union is in fine shape and that he will attend the trial at Dallas in which he and others are sued for fifty thousand dollars for alleged libel.

EFFORTS WERE FRUSTRATED.

Attempted Jail Delivery at Fort Worth Prevented By the Breaking of the Saws.

From Saturday's Daily.
Fort Worth, Tex., Jan. 25.—Marguerite Anderson, an attractive young girl, and N. M. Bishop were arrested today charged with aiding an attempted jail delivery at the city prison last night.

The breaking of the saws alone frustrated their efforts. It is declared that the attempt was made in behalf of G. C. Minor, a suspected army deserter, and the girl's sweetheart. Minor was taken to Fort Sill, Oklahoma, today.

FINGER CUT OFF.

T. W. Scott Suffered Painful Injury This Morning.

From Tuesday's Daily.
T. W. Scott, an employe at Libbey & Bellamy's shop on Ohio avenue, suffered a painful injury today. While working at a saw in some manner his right hand came in contact with the teeth and the first finger was severed just above the second joint. Dr. Miller dressed the wound.

B. Y. P. U. Social.

From Friday's Daily.
The social given by the B. Y. P. U. of the First Baptist Church at the home of the Misses Phillips on Scott avenue last night was a very enjoyable affair. About thirty young people were present and the evening was spent very pleasantly, music and games being the feature of the evening. Light refreshments, consisting of cake and punch, were served.

BALLINGER TO HAVE ROAD.

Enthusiastic People Subscribe Fifty Thousand Dollars for Project.

Ballinger, Tex., Jan. 26.—Every business house in Ballinger closed its doors at 10 o'clock yesterday morning to attend a mass meeting in the opera house and raised a bonus of \$50,000 to secure the Ballinger and Abilene railroad. A member of the Read Bros. Construction Company is here and the contracts being drawn up and all the preliminaries arranged to begin actual work on the road. The Read Bros. people constructed the Stephenville and Hamilton road and their outfit is now at Hamilton. It will be moved here and work started within thirty days and the contract calls for the completion of the road and same to be put in operation by January 1, 1909.

The meeting of the citizens was the most enthusiastic gathering of any kind that was ever held in this city and has been recorded in the history of the town.

To Rural Route Patrons.

Postmaster Bacon desires to call attention to the practices of some patrons of rural delivery of placing loose coins in their boxes each time they desire to dispatch letters, instead of supplying themselves with postage in advance of their needs.

This practice imposes undue hardship on rural carriers in removing loose coins from boxes and delays them on the service of their routes.

The postmaster, therefore, urgently requests that patrons of rural free delivery routes provide themselves in advance on hand a supply of stamps consistent with and in advance of their needs. It is also very desirable that rural patrons place in their mail boxes small detachable cups of wood or tin in which to place coins, when necessary, in purchasing supplies of stamps.

From Tuesday's Daily.

H. H. Bulard, who is charged by grand jury indictment with swindling was today released from the county jail on bond furnished by parties at Kirkland.

IMMIGRATION TO TEXAS INCREASES

Immigration statistics regarding the Panhandle compiled under the direction of the general freight department of the Fort Worth and Denver, indicate that December, 1907, was far ahead of December, 1906, in the number of settlers and in the number of cars of household goods brought in.

Last month boasts a total of 487 cars of immigrant movables.

The cars were distributed over a wide expanse of territory, the majority having been sidetracked at Fort Worth and Denver points. The Wichita Valley received a good number. Panhandle towns got 329 cars and the Wichita Valley points 160.

Quanah led with 42, Chillicothe stood second with 32, Vernon 31, Wichita Falls 24 and Texline 22.

Haskell led the Wichita Valley points with 25 cars, Seymour and Anson each had 24, and Bomartown 18. The remaining cars on this line were distributed among other towns in small numbers.

December, 1907, surpassed the previous December by 108 cars.

From Tuesday's Daily

A. W. Thomas of Haskell, who was arrested Saturday upon a complaint that he had stolen \$2 from Joe Hearne of Memphis, was given a hearing before Justice Brothers yesterday afternoon and was bound over to appear before the grand jury at the next term of the district court. He was unable to furnish bond, which was set at \$200.

Although the acreage planted to wheat in Wichita and surrounding counties is smaller than for the past ten or fifteen years, reports from the country indicate that the prospects for a splendid yield are very promising, though there is some apprehension that unless we have some real cold, freezing weather, the crop will meet the same fate as last year and be destroyed by the green bugs.

Since the beginning of the new year contracts for more than twenty-five new residences have been let, and some of these new buildings have already been completed. This does pretty well for the first month, and indicates that if the same ratio is maintained throughout the year, more than three hundred residences will be constructed in Wichita Falls this year.

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TESTIMONY ENDED

DEFENSE IN THAW TRIAL CONCLUDES ITS EVIDENCE.

REBUTTAL OF EVIDENCE

Conjecture as to What Evidence Jerome Will Attempt to Introduce in Rebuttal.

New York, Jan. 27.—The defense completed the introduction of testimony in the Thaw case this morning and shortly before noon Attorney Littleton began to read a long and carefully prepared hypothetical question to the three alienists who were engaged to testify in Harry Thaw's behalf. Dr. Charles Buyteau of Pittsburg, the Thaw family physician, and Dr. Russell Wells of London were the last two witnesses placed on the stand by the defense to give direct testimony.

Dr. Bingham testified that he was called to attend Harry Thaw when the latter was only three years old. He said the boy often bordered on convulsions.

Dr. Wells testified that he had attended Thaw in the English capital in the early part of 1899. "Thaw was in a very nervous condition," said Dr. Wells, "his pulse was extremely rapid and he complained of pains in his head. I diagnosed the case as one of mental disturbance."

District Attorney Jerome has assumed an air of mystery as to the scope of the testimony he will offer in rebuttal of the showing of insanity made by the defense, but it is said he will make an effort to bring up in court some of the secret records of the commission in lunacy which inquired into Thaw's condition last March and which pronounced him capable of intelligently advising with his counsel. The records of the commission were sealed by order of Judge Fitzgerald, who appointed a board solely for the purpose of advising the court as to Thaw's mental condition, and this fact may prove a stumbling block to the district attorney's plan.

Iowa Park Happenings.

Special to the Times.

Mr. J. C. Ralston has purchased the residence property of H. H. Womack. This is one of the prettiest cottages in town.

Mr. George Wells is hauling his wheat to the elevator this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Saunders, traveling entertainers, appeared here Friday night under the auspices of the Band Boys. They were well received.

Miss Ina Adams of Wichita Falls has been visiting friends here.

One hundred have paid poll taxes here up to today. This is about two-thirds of the total number of voters who should pay here.

W. R. Ferguson and Ralph Hines, in company with Wichita Falls friends, enjoyed a pleasant outing this week.

The ladies of the Priscilla club met Wednesday with their president, Mrs. Lee Clark. It was decided that hereafter the club should be known as the "1908 Unity Club." Eight books were donated toward starting a library. These will be added to from time to time.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Clark will entertain this afternoon many of the little folks of the village in honor of the seventh birthday of their little daughter, Blanche.

Mr. Willard has been a victim of the grip this week.

The gin is now running only on Saturday, finishing the remnant of the cotton crop. About six hundred bales have been ginned.

DISAGREE OVER SETTLEMENT.

Final Draft of Statement of Facts in Intangible Tax Suit is Being Prepared.

From Saturday's Daily.

Some disagreement arose between State Tax Commissioner Davie and Assistant Attorney General Pollard, who are representing the State and county, and Attorney J. T. Montgomery, representing the railway company, over the proposed statement of facts in the intangible tax injunction suit of the Wichita Falls Railway Company vs. Tax Collector Davis et al., and up until 3 o'clock this afternoon no agreement had been reached.

At that hour Attorney J. T. Montgomery was engaged in drafting another statement. This will be presented to Messrs. Davie and Pollard, and in event it proves to be unsatisfactory the evidence in the case will go into the court in the usual manner.

THE POLL TAX LAW.

Two-Thirds of the Receipts Go to the State School Fund and One-Third to General Revenue.

The constitution and laws of this State make every male person between the ages of 21 and 60 years, within the State on the first day of January in any year subject to the payment of a poll tax for said year. The total amount of this poll tax is \$1.50, of which \$1 goes to the State school fund, and 50 cents to a State general revenue. This was the arrangement long before the payment of poll tax was made a prerequisite to voting or was used as a basis for a system of registration of voters. Every person subject to such tax is liable for the payment of it whether or not he makes the payment in time to qualify himself as a voter. If he owes property taxes he cannot pay the same without also paying his poll tax. It is a lien upon his property and can be enforced the same as any other tax to discharge the obligation.

The collectors fees are fully explained in section 144 of the election law, which is as follows:

The collector of taxes shall be paid 15 cents for each poll tax receipt issued by him, to be paid prorata by the State and county in proportion to the amount of poll tax received by each and this shall include his compensation for administering oath, furnishing certified lists of qualified voters in election precincts for use in general elections and primary conventions, when desired, and for all duties required of him under this act; provided that collectors whose salaries are fixed by what is known as the fee bill shall receive 10 cents for each poll tax receipt and certificate of exemption issued by him, and such fees shall be ex officio and not accountable under said fee bill.

The collector is required to furnish copies of all receipts for each voting precinct, and in addition an alphabetically arranged list of all persons paying poll taxes in each of such precincts.

He is required to issue certificates of exemption to all persons not subject to a poll tax who resides in cities of 10,000 or more inhabitants, and to furnish copies and lists of same.

He is required to transfer upon the lists the names of all persons who remove from one election precinct to another, and certify all such changes to the election officers in the various precincts.

He is required to furnish to all persons who may lose their receipts or certificates the number of same.

For none of this work does he receive any compensation in addition to the fees mentioned in the foregoing; that is to say, 15 cents for each poll tax receipt in the case of the smaller counties and 10 cents in the larger counties.

He is required to deliver to the chairman of the county and executive committee of each political party a certified list of all poll taxpayers and exemptioners, for the use in the primary elections or conventions, arranged alphabetically and by precincts. He is permitted to charge each of these political parties \$5 for the complete lists of the entire county.

It will be seen, therefore, that the collector only receives a small percent of the poll tax, and that for this fee he is required to perform a great deal more work than merely to issue the receipt and take the money.

WILL BE COMPLETED BY NEXT SATURDAY

From Monday's Daily.

On account of the failure of a shipment of spikes to arrive on time the track laying work on the Wichita Falls and Southern was delayed several days last week. The spikes have arrived and are now on the ground and Superintendent Orth expects to have the rails laid into Olney on next Saturday night. Traffic will be opened into Olney some time next week. Two locomotives of the Mogul type which were ordered last summer, have been completed at Schenectady, N. Y. and are expected to be delivered here about the first of February. These two new locomotives will facilitate the handling of traffic of the new road and will enable it to push construction work to the coal fields south of Olney without interfering with the regular traffic.

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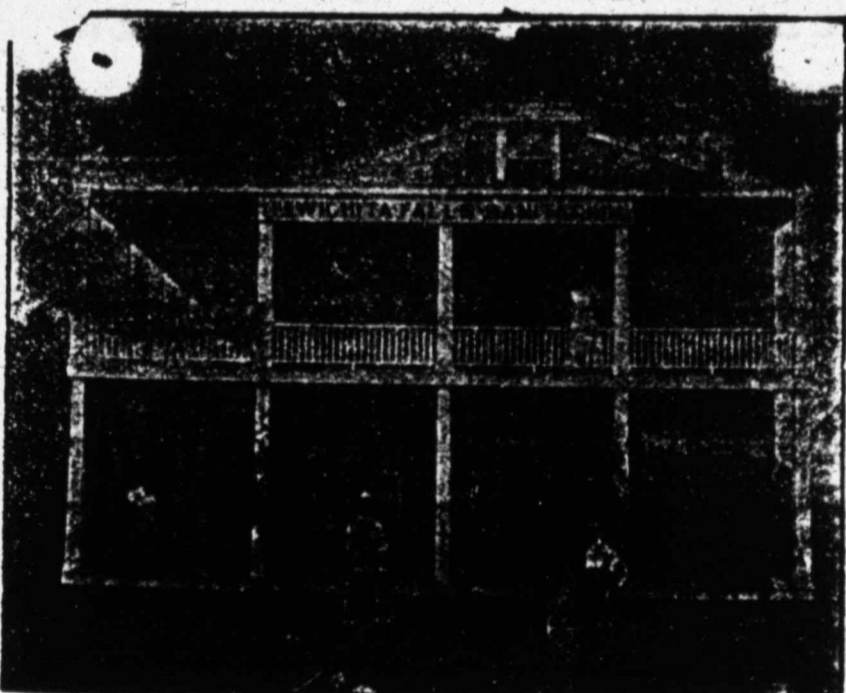

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CENSUS BUREAU REPORT.

Total Ginnings to January 16 Are Announced as 10,337,607 Bales.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 23.—The Census Bureau today issued a report showing that the total amount of cotton in the United States ginned from the growth of 1907 to Jan. 16th was 10,337,607 bales, as compared with 12,175,199 bales for the same period last year and 9,989,634 for the same period in 1906. The total number of active gineries was 27,370. In this bulletin round bales are counted as half bales. The number of round bales included is 187,562 for 1906, 258,717 for 1907, and 270,669 for 1908.

There were ginned 9,951,507 bales to Jan. 1, 1908. The percentage of the crop ginned to Jan. 16 was 93.8 for 1907 and 95.2 for 1908.

The running bales ginned by States counting round as half and excluding linters follows:

State	Bales
Alabama	1,078,193
Arkansas	661,196
Florida	82,472
Georgia	1,771,918
Kentucky	1,431
Louisiana	897,946
Mississippi	1,587,987
Missouri	39,378
New Mexico	862
North Carolina	591,556
Oklahoma	779,659
South Carolina	1,093,797
Tennessee	238,434
Texas	3,146,548
Virginia	2,312

SKETCHING THE HARBOR.

Two Japanese Discovered at Work on Heights Behind Honolulu.

Honolulu, Jan. 21.—Two Japanese have been discovered sketching the Honolulu pearl harbor and the coast line, from the heights behind Honolulu.

Construction on the Southwestern railroad, from Henrietta southwest, will be resumed the coming week, or at most within a few days. The owners of the road met here Wednesday and fully decided on the work of resumption, and it will be carried forward vigorously.—Henrietta Review.

FACTS FOR SENATE

SECRETARY CORTELYOU GIVES A DETAILED STATEMENT CONCERNING BOND ISSUE.

ACTION WAS NECESSARY

Government Compelled to Take Resolute Steps to Allay Panic and Restore Confidence.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 29.—In response to the resolution agreed to by the senate on December 21st, 1907, Secretary of the Treasury Cortelyou today transmitted to that body a detailed statement concerning the award of the Panama bonds and three per cent certificates in connection with the recent financial transactions of the government. Secretary Cortelyou defends the issue of the Panama bonds and treasury certificates by saying that it was advisable to take some strong and resolute step by which to convince the public, both at home and abroad, that the government was thoroughly alive to the situation and determined to give its aid in every possible legal and proper form. The total amount bid for Panama canal bonds, the secretary says, amounted to \$2,229,604,550, or more than four times the amount offered, but that on examination it was shown that many bids were made by persons who were personally incapable of making the smallest preliminary payment, if required.

DASHED THROUGH MOB.

Engineer Ran Locomotive Through infuriated Mob, Killing Six Men.

Baku, Trans-Caucasia, Jan. 24.—In consequence of the accidental killing of some laborers by a locomotive at the suburban station of a railroad here today, a number of the comrades of the victim surrounded the engine and attempted to lynch the engineer. To escape the fury of the excited workmen the engineer opened the throttle of his engine and dashed through the crowd, killing six men and wounding many others.

GREEN BUG APPROPRIATION.

Oklahoma and Kansas Will Support Texana's Plan to Get Money.

Washington, Jan. 23.—Mr. Randall and Mr. Beall have an appointment with the Secretary and other officials of the Agricultural Department for tomorrow morning, at which time they will discuss the advisability of making a special appropriation to enable the carrying on of experiments to devise means of exterminating the green bug.

Members of the Oklahoma and Kansas delegations will support Mr. Randall in the effort to get this appropriation. Whether it should be asked for in a special bill to permit the beginning of operations at once or made an item of the agricultural appropriation bill, which will be passed too late to make the money available this spring, is one of the questions to be determined.

Funeral of J. M. Brown Sr.

From Friday's Daily.

The funeral service over the remains of J. M. Brown Sr., who died yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock from a severe attack of influenza, were conducted at the family residence of the deceased, 1306 Lamar avenue, by Dr. J. J. Dalton, pastor of the Presbyterian church, at 8 o'clock this afternoon, which were attended by a large crowd of sorrowing relatives and friends of the family, of the conclusion of which the remains were escorted to Riverside cemetery and laid to rest.

At his death deceased was nearly 80 years of age and his long life had been well spent. To the sorrowing relatives the Times joins with numerous other friends in extending sympathy in the great loss they have sustained.

New Buildings.

V. E. Stampfli has let a contract to Fred Smith for the construction of a new five-room dwelling on the corner of Thirteenth street and Scott avenue.

Mr. E. B. Goshline is having his old residence on Travis avenue between Seventh and Eighth streets torn away and will replace it with a handsome two-story eleven room building. Selamy & Libbey have the contract.

PERSONAL MENTION

From Friday's Daily.
J. A. Kemp returned last night from a business trip to Chicago.

Miss Jessie Moore left this afternoon for a visit with friends at Dundee.

Rev. R. E. Farley, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church in this city, has returned from a trip to Dallas, where he went to confer with the architects who are drawing the plans for the proposed new church for that denomination in this city. Arrangements will be completed for the building of the church in the near future, it is expected, and work on the building will begin within a few weeks, according to present plans.

From Saturday's Daily.
J. H. Huggins of Kell, Okla., is in the city meeting old friends.

R. H. Brown of Groom, Texas, is in the city visiting relatives.

J. A. Lowry of Holliday was transacting business in the city today.

Mrs. A. C. Henson of Iowa Park was among the visitors to the city today.

J. W. Scott, one of Burk Burnett's thirty farmers, was here on business today.

Robert L. Hull of Charlie is in the city visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Hull.

Judge J. D. Stine of Henrietta was in the city today en route to his ranch near Byers.

Miss Hesta Ziegler left this afternoon for Holliday to visit her sister, Mrs. Lea.

L. C. Denny, a prosperous farmer who lives near Iowa Park, was here on business today.

Mrs. Rosa Barry of Abilene is visiting her daughter, Mrs. M. A. Marcus, in this city.

Mr. W. D. Powell of Fort Worth is visiting his sister, Mrs. L. H. Mahaffie, of this city.

Mrs. W. C. Sherrod is ill at her home on Bluff avenue with a severe attack of the grip.

Mrs. L. T. Allman of Iowa Park, who has been visiting Mrs. W. F. Ehler of this city, left for her home this afternoon.

Judge S. P. Huff of Vernon was in the city today en route home from Whitewright, where he had been visiting his mother.

Rev. W. W. Melton of Bellevue was in the city today en route to Thornberry, where he will fill his regular appointment tomorrow.

Miss Meccede McKinzie, stenographer for Anderson & Patterson of this city, left this afternoon for Bowie to visit relatives.

St. Clair Sherrod is home after a trip to Carlsbad, New Mexico, where he went in the interest of the Wichita Broom Company.

J. M. Bryan of Thornberry was here on business today.

Mr. C. Dean, a progressive and prominent farmer from near Petrolia, was in the city today and paid the Times a pleasant and appreciated call.

H. A. Gausewitz, superintendent of the Fort Worth and Denver railway, with headquarters at Childress, is in the city looking after business matters.

Mrs. T. C. Stephens of Iowa Park, who has been visiting her friend, Mrs. S. J. Ashmore of this city, returned to her home this afternoon, accompanied by Mrs. Ashmore.

Rev. W. L. Livingston, pastor of the M. and Mrs. E. H. Boddy and Miss Kate Patterson of Henrietta are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Patterson of this city. Miss Patterson will return to Henrietta this afternoon.

Mrs. Walter Allen, with Miss Norma and Jack, are visiting friends and relatives in Texarkana and Benton, Arkansas.

Presbyterian church at Vernon, Texas, was a guest of Rev. and Mrs. J. J. Dalton last night. He left this afternoon for his home at Vernon.

Mrs. C. B. Googer left yesterday for Vernon, where she will reside in future, Mr. Googer having accepted the position of foreman of the Vernon Hornet, a bright and newsy weekly paper published by J. Ray.

W. F. Fry, pastor of the First Baptist church, has returned from Abilene, where he attended a pastor's conference. The regular services will be held at the church tomorrow. Attention is called to the fact that the evening service will begin at 7:30 o'clock instead of 7.

Dr. D. T. Sumnerville, presiding elder of the Fort Worth district of the Methodist Episcopal church, stopped off here yesterday while en route to the Panhandle, to confer with the members of the church here concerning the proposed new church building. He left on an early north bound train this morning.

From Wednesday's Daily.

Mrs. J. E. Stratton left today for Dallas, where she will visit relatives.

Mrs. Blake Williams has gone on a visit to friends and relatives at Weatherford.

Mr. W. H. Suddith returned last night from a visit to Chickasha and other Oklahoma towns.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Berger of Wynn, Ark., who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Hardeman for the past week, left yesterday for their home.

Mr. P. C. Davis of Flandreau, South Dakota, is in the city, the guest of his friend, Mr. Al. Richolt. The latter learned his trade under Mr. Davis, and this is the first time Mr. Richolt has had the pleasure of meeting his old boss.

From Monday's Daily.

J. B. Bell of Iowa Park was here on business today.

Ed. B. Carver and family of Archer City, are visitors here today.

Miss Jenie Levy of Paris, France, is the guest of Mrs. Herbert Hughes.

Ed. Bohanan, road master for the Katy, is in the city looking after business.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Scruggs of Seymour were among the visitors in the city today.

B. E. Fuller, one of Clay county's progressive farmers, was here on business today.

Clabe Burnett, a prominent cowman of Ringgold, is in the city transacting business.

G. W. Harrison, one of the prosperous farmers from Thornberry, was here on business today.

Charles Swenson, one of the prosperous farmers from Charlie, was transacting business in the city today.

George L. Moore, the popular Katy passenger agent in this city, has returned from a business trip to Fort Worth and Dallas.

Mr. Ben White, of King & White, accompanied by his mother, left today for Fort Worth to visit Mrs. Ben Robertson, Mrs. White's daughter.

Engineer J. W. Field returned last night from Olney where he has been with the surveying corps of the Wichita Falls and Southern and is now confined to his room in this city with a severe attack of the grip.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Lory of Union Grove, Wisconsin, are in the city, and will likely spend the greater portion of the winter here as the guests of Judge J. J. Lory, a relative of theirs.

G. R. Decker, a prominent farmer from the Bowman neighborhood, was transacting business in the city today.

Major and Mrs. Robert Cobb left yesterday for Amarillo where the marriage of their daughter Virginia Leome to Mr. Henry C. Harding will take place at high noon tomorrow. Mr. Harding is a prominent Panhandle cattleman. Following the ceremony the couple will go to Denver to spend their honeymoon. Later they will be at home in Amarillo.

W. A. Martin of Clarksville, Texas, is in the city and made this office a pleasant call.

Rev. J. A. Stafford pastor of the Tenth Street Methodist church, went to Byers this afternoon to officiate at

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the funeral of Mrs. H. P. Johnston, wife of the Methodist minister at that place, who died last night after a short illness with lung trouble.

R. G. Aten of Amarillo is in the city visiting relatives. Mr. Aten has been in the grocery business and having disposed of his business to J. C. Boyd, formerly of this city, will again make Wichita Falls his home. Bob has many friends here, who will be glad to learn of his coming back home to live.

From Tuesday's Daily.

Bob Waggoner of Vernon was a visitor here today.

Mr. and Mrs. George Myers of Jolly were in the city today.

E. B. Carver of the Club ranch was here on business today.

Prof. O. H. Maricle of Kell, Okla., was here on business today.

County Commissioner Dale of the Red River district, was in town today on business.

E. W. Edwards of Gainesville has accepted a position in the office of the J. C. Hunt Grain Co.

Mrs. L. B. McMurtry of this city is in Fort Worth, visiting her daughter, Mrs. D. W. Haterow.

A. G. Martin of Addington, Oklahoma, is in the city, the guest of his friend, O. P. Maricle.

Mrs. L. D. Rhodes returned yesterday from Clarendon, where Mrs. Rhodes visited her mother.

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J. Lee Jackson, of the Panhandle Implement Company of this city, made a business trip to Holliday this afternoon.

Robert M. Waggoner, a prominent citizen of Vernon, is in the city visiting his brothers, Messrs. T. J. and J. L. Waggoner.

Messrs. S. P. Hawkins and M. Dodson, two prominent citizens of Burk Burnett, were transacting business in the city today.

J. F. Johnson of Petrolia was in the city today en route to Henrietta on business.

Judge S. H. Hodges came in today from Frederick, Okla., where he and family are now located. The judge has rented a tract of land not far from Frederick and has now taken up the role of Cincinnati. His son, Houston, will do the active work on the farm, according to Judge Hodges' plans, while the judge himself will act in the capacity of a superintendent.

From Thursday's Daily.

Miss Sazie Field, vocal instructor in Simmons' College at Abilene, was called home here yesterday on account of the illness of her father, J. W. Field. Mr. Field's condition remains practically unchanged today.

A. M. Cohn of St. Louis, who owns a lot on Indiana avenue adjoining Wylie Wyatt's lot at the corner of Indiana avenue and Eighth street, arrived in the city last night with plans for a two-story brown front brick building which he proposes to erect at once upon the lot. It is announced that he will receive bids and award the contract for the building next Monday.

From Thursday's Daily.

Today and tomorrow will end the quail season and local hunters are making the most of the last days allowed them. With the first day of February the law against shooting quail takes effect, and there will be nothing doing in this line of sport until the opening of the season next November.

The Sick.

Contractor E. J. Libbey, who is down with the grip, is now able to leave his bed and will soon be able to be at his place of business.

From Thursday's Daily.

The county tax collector's office at the court house will be open until 10 o'clock tonight and until 12 o'clock tomorrow night to receive county property and poll taxes.

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A FATAL MISTAKE.

Wm. Connor Shot By Son-in-Law, Who Thought He Was a Burglar.

Dallas, Tex., Jan. 29.—Mistaking his father-in-law for a burglar, A. C. Burr shot and instantly killed William Connor early this morning. Connor, who was about 60 years old, made his home with his son-in-law in this city. Early this morning Connor got out of bed and was moving about the room. Burr was awakened and, thinking a burglar was in the house, fired at the dimly outlined figure. The bullet struck Connor in the forehead over the right eye, penetrating the brain and causing almost instant death. Burr is prostrated with grief over his deplorable mistake.

THIRTY-TWO BELOW ZERO.

Intense Cold Prevails in the Entire Northwest.

Milwaukee, Wis., Jan. 29.—The temperature here early today was six degrees below zero. Reports received from the northwest give the temperature at Superior, Wisconsin, as 32 degrees below; Green Bay, 14 below; Madison, 10; and Duluth, 28 degrees below.

From Thursday's Daily.

With only six men in the jury box to try Will Bennett, a negro, on a charge of murder, the special venire of sixty talesmen had been exhausted at 3 o'clock this afternoon and a recess was taken while Sheriff Davis was detailed to bring into court forty more talesmen.



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