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IN GRASP OF STORM

SEVERE SLEET STORM PLAYS
HAVOC WITH TELEGRAPH
WIRES.

WIND ADDS TO TROUBLE

Chicago and Other Cities Almost Com-
pletely Shut Off From All Com-
munication.

By Associated Press.
Chicago, Ill., Dec. 23.—A severe sleet
storm which set in last night badly de-
moralized telegraphic communication
in all directions. Early today it was
impossible to reach St. Louis from Chi-
cago save by way of Omaha and Kan-
sas City. Peoria and Bloomington,
Illinois, are both out of the world so
far as reaching them by wire is con-
cerned. All wires to the north are
working badly and to the east it is
exceedingly hard to make the wires
work through from Chicago to New
York. The storm was accompanied
by high winds, which added to the dif-
ficulty.

RESCUE WORK IS RAPID.

The Hundred Bodies Will Be Recover-
ed From Darr Mine By Nightfall.

By Associated Press.
Jacobs Creek, Pa., Dec. 23.—Six more
bodies were taken from the Darr mine
today, making a total to date of thirty-
nine. Many others have been locat-
ed, and by nightfall the number recover-
ed, it is said, will be close to a hun-
dred bodies. The condition of the six
bodies brought to the surface is good,
and with the exception of the agony
pictured in the faces, no mutilation is
evident. The rescuers state that a
number of men were found on their
knees, showing that they were praying
when the black damp caused their
death.

DENIED WRIT OF CETIORARI.

Petition of Green and Gaynor Refused
By U. S. Supreme Court.

By Associated Press.
Washington, D. C., Dec. 23.—The Su-
preme Court of the United States to-
day denied the petition for writs of
ceteriorari bringing to that court the
cases of Benjamin D. Green and John
F. Gaynor, who are under sentences to
pay a fine of \$575,749 and undergo
terms of imprisonment of four years
each on charges of embezzlement and
conspiracy in connection with Captain
Oberlin M. Carter, to defraud the
United States in connection with har-
bor improvements at Savannah, Ga.

The city is crowded with Christ-
mas shoppers today, and it is a diffi-
cult matter to get into any of the toy
stores and be waited on. The streets
are a moving mass of humanity and
it reminds one of circus day, when all
congregate on the streets through
which the parade is to pass. Saturday
it rained all day and but little Christ-
mas shopping was done. Of course,
the shopkeepers were greatly disap-
pointed, and felt just a little bit blue,
but from all indications their sales to-
day will more than make up for all
the sales they missed on Saturday.

Married at the home of the bride's
parents in this city yesterday at 7
o'clock p. m., Mr. Horace Darnell and
Miss Estelle Albritton, Rev. J. A. Staf-
ford officiating. After the marriage
ceremony was performed the invited
guests repaired to the dining room of
the new Albritton home to partake of
an elegant supper which was in wait-
ing for them. Mr. and Mrs. Darnell
will make Wichita Falls their future
home and have many friends here who
bespeak for them prosperity and hap-
piness through life.

Marriage licenses were issued yes-
terday to E. S. Thornton and Miss Net-
tie Parriss of Burk Burnett, and C. E.
Troutmann and Annie Lee Overbey of
Iowa Park.

Christmas Candles.
Call at the Cream Bakery and in-
spect their line of boxed fruit candles,
made especially for the Christmas
trade. A handsome hand-painted me-
dallion with each box. 176-17

THE CALEB POWERS TRIAL.

Defense Attacks Testimony of Youtsey
and Scores a Point.

Georgetown, Ky., Dec. 21.—Only a
small crowd was present in the court-
room when the trial of Caleb Powers
was resumed today. Just before the
court opened, Judge Morris announced
to the newspaper men that the court
would continue the trial through the
holidays, not even adjourning for
Christmas. He said he decided on this
course in deference to the request of
the jury, which is anxious to finish the
case and be finally discharged.

Stuart B. Stone, former stenographer
for Governor Taylor, testified today
that he was the first person who noti-
fied Taylor of the shooting, and Taylor
exclaimed:

"My God; that is awful."

The witness also testified to seeing
Youtsey a few minutes after the shoot-
ing, with a pistol in his hand.

After Stone had completed his tes-
timony, the defense introduced two
witnesses who did not testify at former
trials. Police Captain Hubbard of
Grayson, Ky., testified that Youtsey
met him in Frankfort a few days be-
fore the shooting and said:

"Goebel can be killed and I have
found a way to do it. He can be shot
from the executive building. I have
steel balls, smokeless powder and a
place from which to fire on him as he
comes to the senate chamber, and I
can, after the shooting, leave the build-
ing, mingle with the crowd and nobody
know anything about it."

Colonel R. W. Nelson of Newport,
former counsel for Youtsey, over the
vigorous objection of the prosecution,
testified that Youtsey told him that he
(Youtsey) had nothing to do with the
crime; that he knew nothing about
the assassination of Goebel and did
not know anybody connected with it.
Youtsey made this statement in the
Frankfort jail, said the witness, after
his arrest. Colonel Nelson's testimony
created a decided sensation, and was
regarded by the defense as a severe
blow to Youtsey's credibility.

LONG STAPLE COTTON.

Agricultural Department Proposes to
Make Experiments Here.

W. D. Bentley, special agent of the
United States Department of Agricul-
ture, will today submit a proposition in
behalf of the plant breeding bureau to
Mr. J. A. Kemp and others which, if
accepted, will result in experiments be-
ing made here in the growing of long
staple cotton.

The government proposes to furnish
the seed and fertilizer for planting five
acres of the crop, to be grown under
its direction, the department to have
an option on the purchase of the seed
at a specified price.

Several years ago a small quantity
of long staple cotton was raised near
this city, but in the glazing the seed
was mixed with that of the common
staple, and so far as is known no
further attempt has been made to raise
long staple in this section. It is be-
lieved by many that the long staple
can be successfully grown in certain
districts of Wichita county and the re-
sults of the proposed experiments to
be conducted by the government will
be watched with interest.

Death of Judge Henderson.

Judge John N. Henderson, associate
judge of the court of criminal appeals,
died at 10 o'clock last night at his
home in Dallas. Judge Henderson's
health began to fail about a year ago
and for more than a week before his
death he had taken no nourishment.
The deceased was a native of South
Carolina and at the time of his death
was 62 years of age.

At the First Baptist church yester-
day the collection both in the Sunday
school and the morning service was
for the Buckner Orphans' Home at Dal-
las. Over \$100 was contributed to the
orphanage, in addition to which the
church will send contributions of cloth-
ing and other supplies.

There is nothing which appeals to
a man who indulges in the habit more
than a good cigar or a pipe, and he
generally likes to be surprised with a
box of cigars or a nice pipe Xmas
morning. Noble has the goods that
will please him. 176-17

PRESIDENT RESIGNS

WM. ADLER NO LONGER PRESI-
DENT OF BIG NEW ORLEANS
BANK.

INSTITUTION IS SOLVENT

Clearing House Association is Ready
to Give Any Assistance Needed
and Bank Remains Open.

By Associated Press.
New Orleans, La., Dec. 23.—Follow-
ing the resignation last night of Wm.
Adler as president of the State Nation-
al Bank of New Orleans and an exam-
ination of the bank's resources and
liabilities, the announcement was made
this morning that it is absolutely sol-
vent and that the New Orleans clear-
ing house association would render
any assistance that it might need.

The wholesale grocery firm of Adler
& Company today issued a statement,
in which it is said that that firm had
met with financial difficulties and that
the situation had been brought to the
attention of their creditors.

The bank has individual deposits
subject to check amounting to \$3,361,-
065.14. The prompt announcement of
the clearing house association of the
result of its examination of the bank's
condition and the disposition to give it
assistance came simultaneously with
the announcement of Mr. Adler's resig-
nation and prevented the confidence
of the depositors of the bank from
being affected.

An Atlanta Bank Closes.

By Associated Press.
Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 23.—The Neal
State bank closed today, following the
announcement made last night that
the bank officials had asked the State
bank examiner to take charge of its
affairs. Several hundred persons gather-
ed around the bank's doors this
morning, where they read the simple
line: "This bank is in the hands of
the State bank examiner." President
Thornton of the institution is confident
that all depositors will be paid in full.
No other banks in the city have been
affected.

CHRISTMAS DAY FOOT BALL.

Hot Contest Between Majestics and
Olympics Wednesday Afternoon.

A feature of the celebration of
Christmas Day in Wichita Falls will
be a hot game of football at the
ball park between two picked teams
of local players. The contesting teams
have named themselves the Olympic
and the Majestic, and in the line-up
appears the names of some of the boys
who have been away at college and
who can be expected to do some good
performing. The game will be called
at 2:30 o'clock and Prof. Gulce will act
as referee.

Everyone is invited to go out to wit-
ness the contest and no admission will
be charged.

The two teams will line up in the
following order:
I. McKinley...Center...Fred Taylor
Black...R. Guard...H. Heath
Moore...L. Guard...Ward
Young...R. Tackle...Clopton
Shaw...L. Tackle...R. Taylor
Wilson...R. End...Fligo
N. Bachman...L. End...I. Brown
C. Clapp...Q. B...McCauley
Stonecipher...R.H.B...Jim Smith
Chas. Parker...L.H.B...W. Bachman
Wm. Huff...F. B...C. Smith

Death From Paralysis.

By Associated Press.
Columbus, Ohio, Dec. 23.—G. M. Wil-
liams, a member of the board of review
of the city of Columbus, died today at
the Southern hotel of a stroke of par-
alysis, aged 52 years. He was one of
the best known democratic politicians
in the State.

For Christmas you will want a
pumpkin pie. Our Monsoon brand is
just like the fresh pumpkin.—Try it.
TREVATHAN & BLAND.

We want to remind you once more
that our line of boxed candies is the
best and the finest flavors made. We
are exclusive agents for the Blanke-
Wernker candies. The Cream Bak-
ery. 176-17

BACK TO SUNNY TENNESSEE.

Through Generosity of Friends an Or-
phan Boy is Sent to Grandfather.

With a smile of gratitude on his
bright, clean face, clothed in a span
splinter new suit of store clothes and
with a well-filled purse of silver in his
trousers pocket, Jimmy Fletcher, a 13-
year old orphan boy boarded an east
bound passenger yesterday with a tick-
et in his possession which will land
him at Goin, Tennessee on Christmas
day, where he will meet an old gray-
haired grandfather who will give him
a good home. The picture of Jimmy
Fletcher on his departure was in mark-
ed contrast with the same boy who
was found in tattered clothes, cold
and hungry, wandering about the
streets Saturday morning by some kind
hearted friends. Jimmy came out to
Archer county some time ago with an
uncle, but soon afterward the uncle
took his departure to another section,
leaving the orphan lad behind to shift
for himself. The homesick, helpless
boy worked about for his board and
keep, but a few days ago he came to
Wichita Falls in hope of getting em-
ployment at picking cotton, so that
he might earn enough money to pay
his fare back to sunny Tennessee. He
had almost despaired of finding any-
thing to do when he was found by
some friends who knew his story.
Straightway, they set out to help the
boy. A subscription list was circulat-
ed and over \$60 was raised to buy a
railroad ticket, a new suit of clothes
and furnish the boy with funds back
to Tennessee.

SUSTAINED SLIGHT FRACTURE.

Passenger Injured in a Small Wreck on
the Northwestern.

In a small wreck on the southbound
passenger of the Wichita Falls and
Northwestern, which occurred a few
miles out of town shortly after noon
today, Buck Hardeman, an passenger
from Burk Burnett, sustained a slight
fracture of one of the bones of his
left limb.

The wreck was caused by a box car
which immediately followed behind the
passenger coach jumping the track.
The box car trailed along behind the
passenger over the cross ties several
ords before the train was brought to a
stop. Most of the passengers in the
passenger coach jumped from the coach,
and in jumping young Hardeman was in-
jured.

None of the other passengers were
injured. The derailed box car was
left at the side of the track and the
rest of the train was pulled into this
city, where Hardeman was placed un-
der the care of the railroad physician.

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These, with other advantages, en-
able me to give you the best prices on
furniture and household goods of any
dealer in this section of country.

Goods are coming in by the carload,
and I have too many bargains to de-
tail in this short space. I always carry
the best line of furniture, and am anx-
ious for you to call and see the largest,
the best bought and the cheapest sold
stock of high class furniture and
household supplies ever placed on the
market. Come and see for yourself,
and you will be convinced that every
word contained in this ad is the truth.
I am yours for bargains in good
goods, and I mean what I say.

JOB BARNETT.

The Furniture Dealer.

The committee appointed to examine
the plans presented by Mr. Connors
for a machine shop and foundry, for
which stock has been subscribed and a
bonus raised through the efforts of the
Chamber of Commerce, will report that
his plans are incomplete and will ask
for more specific information concern-
ing the machinery and other equip-
ment, before making a report favoring
the acceptance of his proposition.

MEETS AWFUL DEATH

NEGRO SAID TO BE FROM WICH-
ITA FALLS BURNED TO DEATH
AT ABILENE.

FOUL PLAY IS SUSPECTED

Marks on the Body, It is Said, Indicate
That Victim Was Murdered.

Special to the Times.
Abilene, Tex., Dec. 23.—J. Whitley,
a negro from Wichita Falls, was burn-
ed to death in a fire in a negro restaur-
ant at 6 o'clock this morning. One
story of Whitley's death is that after
first escaping from the burning build-
ing he rushed back into the flames af-
ter a grip and perished. Another re-
port says that the body shows evidence
of foul play. The coroner's inquest is
now in progress.

SENATOR MALLORY'S FUNERAL

WILL BE QUIET AND SIMPLE.

By Associated Press.
Pensacola, Fla., Dec. 23.—In har-
mony with Senator Mallory's known
wishes and the testaments of his will,
his funeral will be very quiet and sim-
ple. It will take place from the Cath-
olic church here at 10 o'clock Tues-
day morning. No congressional dele-
gation will be named, the senator hav-
ing specifically so requested. He will
be buried in a lot in the Catholic cem-
etery adjoining the graves of his par-
ents and favorite sister.

TWO HUNDRED STRIKERS KILLED

Workers in Chilean Nitrate Mines Shot
Down When They Refused to Work.

By Associated Press.
Washington, D. C., Dec. 23.—Two
hundred striking laborers have been
killed at Iquique, Chile, according to a
dispatch received by the State depart-
ment from the American representa-
tive there. The victims were part of
a body of 10,000 laborers who entered
the city from the interior and refused
to return to their employment in the
nitrate industry.

DISASTER NARROWLY AVERTED.

One Hundred Men Had Narrow Escape
In Schoonbery Mine Yesterday.

By Associated Press.
Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 23.—It became
known today that about one hundred
men were in the Schoonbery mine near
Monongah yesterday, when fire broke
out and all had a narrow escape from
death. The mine is burning fiercely
today, but it is said that all the miners
have been accounted for.

FLOTILLA IS DELAYED

BY AN ACCIDENT.

By Associated Press.
Port of Spain, Trinidad, Dec. 23.—
The American torpedo boat flotilla,
which left here yesterday morning at
8 o'clock for Rio de Janeiro on their
way to the Pacific, have returned here
because of an accident to the machin-
ery of the Lawrence. The damage was
not serious and it is believed that re-
pairs can be made in one day.

BITTEN BY MONGREL DOG

MAN DIES FROM HYDROPHOBIA

By Associated Press.
Chicago, Ill., Dec. 23.—David Mar-
shall of Florence, Kentucky, and Cal-
vin Rice, also a resident of Florence,
were bitten by a mongrel dog, and a
few days later both showed symptoms
of hydrophobia. Rice is now in a se-
rious condition in a local hospital.

BARGE CAPTAIN AND WIFE

DROWNED OFF NEW HAVEN.

By Associated Press.
New Haven, Conn., Dec. 23.—Capt.
Henry Scribner of the barge New Ha-
ven, and his wife drowned off here to-
day, when seven barges in tow of the
tug James McWilliams foundered. Six
men were rescued by the McWilliams.

The Fashion Stable is the latest to
compliment the Times with one of its
handsome 1908 calendars.

A beautiful Italian scene at the Ma-
jestic tonight. 191-17

DETERMINED TO TRY COTTON FACTORY

Fort Worth Record.

As the last and decisive step in its fight to establish the supremacy of the farmer, a culmination of its plans for the equilibrium and stability of prices of products agricultural and a grand fell stroke at ruinous trusts of the land, the Texas Farmers' Union has determined to establish its own cotton factories. With the accomplishment of this purpose, the unusual spectacle of the farmer, acting in the triple role of producer, manufacturer and consumer may be witnessed in Texas. The dealer will be put entirely out of the game, another anomaly that may occasion comment in a business world new to the experiment.

The decision to launch the cotton factory business was reached by the executive committee of the Texas Farmers' Union, in session at the headquarters here yesterday morning. The plan has assumed no tangible form yet. The central body of the big organization only knows that a large part of the membership wants to go into the new venture, and their intention is to bring about the desired result. To this end, J. E. Bean of Burleson and R. A. Turner of Grapevine were named as an auxiliary committee with the executive committee in the formulation of some definite plan. The entire committee will meet here again January 10th, and after a conference with the Fort Worth Factory Club, will make known to the membership their plans in the cotton factory scheme.

What to Read.

When you have the "blues" and can see no silver lining to the dark clouds that are constantly above you, read the twenty-seventh Psalm.

When your pocketbook is as empty as an editor's, read the thirty-seventh Psalm.

When your neighbors are unkind to you and even those near and dear to you slight you, read the fifteenth chapter of John.

When you are discouraged about your business and nothing seems to go right, read the 126th Psalm.

When you are all out of sorts and hardly know what the matter is, read the twelfth chapter of Hebrews.

When you are losing confidence in mankind read the thirteenth chapter of 1st Corinthians.

If you can't have your own way, then silence is golden and you will get relief by reading the third chapter of James.

When you want all the late news from a reliable source read the paper you now hold in your hands.

For the holidays you will want sweet pickles. We offer Heinz's in bulk, either whole or mixed. 35c a quart jar. TREVATHAN & BLAND.

Be sure to read the display ad of the W. F. Jourdan Furniture Co. in this issue. It will solve the Christmas present problem for you. 174d&w-17

MANY FISTIC ENCOUNTERS HAVE OCCURRED IN CONGRESS.

There have been many personal encounters in congress, so many, in fact, of various degrees, that it would be impracticable to tell all.

The first four sessions were devoid of such and the first occurred on January 30th, 1798, when Representative Lyon, democrat, of Vermont, after having been taunted by Roger Griswold, Federalist of Connecticut, spat in Griswold's face. A knock-down-and-drag-out followed before the belligerents were separated.

Pistols no longer are cocked in the Capitol, but in the ante-bellum days no gentleman would take a "personal insult."

There were, before the civil war, a long list of congressional encounters, of which, perhaps, the more notable were Congressman Brooke's attack on Senator Sumner, in 1856, and the fight between Representatives Kelt and Grow, in the house, in 1858.

Then there was the Cilley-Graves quarrel in 1838, and the duel that followed, in which Congressman Cilley was killed; the Benton-Foote mix-up, in which Senator Foote pointed a cocked revolver at the Missourian; an almost similar episode in the house, in which Churchwell and Cullom figured, and the long belligerent record of Wise of Virginia.

Coming to more recent times, the Ingalls-Voorhees encounter, May 1st, 1888, created much interest, in which the vituperation and the lie were passed back and forth.

August 27th, 1890, occurred the Beckwith-Wilson affair in the house, in which Wilson called Beckwith a liar. There was a spirited retort and Wilson dealt Beckwith a blow.

On February 21st, 1891, during a debate, Representative Spinola of New York placed a slip of paper on his shoulder and dared the republicans to knock it off. He was eventually seated by force.

Fellow-statemens prevented a fight in the house February 16th, 1893, between Turpin and Waugh, who were advancing upon each other.

Representatives Hall and Hatch of Missouri were separated before they could get to fistfights, after the lie had been passed in the house on February 4th, 1895.

The next day Senators Mitchell and Harris called each other names, but a fight was prevented by their associates.

Representatives Bartlett and Brumm quarreled in the house April 13th, 1893. Bartlett threw a copy of the congressional record at Brumm, but missed. Four or five other representatives exchanged blows in the general mixup and one was knocked down.

The Tillman-McLaurin battle on February 22nd, 1902, and the Bailey-Beveridge scrap on June 30th, 1902, are so recent as to be remembered by many persons.

Nice home grown pecans in 25-lb lots at 8c a pound, TREVATHAN & BLAND.

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The 1907 crop of Evaporated Fruits are now ready for you and while the price is a little higher than last year, the same as all other groceries, still the quality is exceptionally good.

- Fresh, bright and tart Apricots..... 35c
- Golden Yellow Peaches..... 18c
- Plump, fat Prunes 10c to 15c according to size
- New Seeded Raisins, large and meaty..... 15c
- New Currants, fresh and well cleaned..... 15c

Among the various Dried Fruits that the market affords the Fig and Date hold first place very easily. They are the most healthful and most easily digested of any fruit and will do more towards keeping the stomach and bowels in good healthy condition than any quantity of medicine.

- We have new Crown Oriole Figs at..... 25c
- California Figs at..... 10c
- Fard Dates at..... 12 1-2

Nutt, Stevens & Hardeman

SOLE AGENTS

Strictly Cash.

On account of the financial stringency, we are compelled to put our business on a cash basis. We positively will not sell feed or coal to any person without the cash either before or upon delivery of goods. Customers will please govern themselves accordingly. 180-17 WICHITA GRAIN & COAL CO.

Nice home grown pecans in 25-lb lots at 8c a pound. TREVATHAN & BLAND.

They have it, regardless of price. Who? North Texas Furniture and Coffin Co. 185-17

Nice home grown pecans in 25-lb lots at 8c a pound.

TREVATHAN & BLAND.

Come and see our line of Indian curios, Japanese china, parlor lamps, etc. Christmas presents that are useful. North Texas Furniture and Coffin Co. 189-17

Warning Notice.

All persons are hereby warned that the discharge of fire works within the fire limits, as prohibited by ordinance, will be prosecuted. R. V. GWINN, City Marshal. 187-17

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Walks, Curbing, Steps,

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As Furniture is the most sensible and useful gift, and a constant reminder of the donor, why not give something of this character rather than some trifle that has no utility or useful quality. We wish especially to call your attention to our line of Hand Painted, Jap China which can be had at one half the customary price of such goods. Make your selections now. We will guarantee prompt and careful delivery at Christmas time.



The Rug critic we welcome to see our fine line of Rugs, Axminster, Saxony and Pap-Taps. 9x12 and smaller from \$14.00 upward.

LAMPS

We have on display the finest line of oil burning, decorated Lamps upward from \$1.75

CENTER TABLES

Highly Polished Oak Center Tables. Values \$3.50 now

\$2.50

A MERRY XMAS TO YOU.

Make your Christmas an especially merry one by having a new supply of whatever is lacking or shabby-looking in your present stock of household Furniture or Carpets. New things brighten up the home for the holiday season and give it a more cheerful appearance. We have a very large stock to select from in Parlor, Dining Room and Bed Room Furniture, all of new and artistic design, and made in the most substantial manner. Our prices are strictly reasonable in every department.

North Texas Furniture & Coffin Co.

CUT PRICE SALES

You find many kinds and colors of marked down, cut price, special discount, per cent off and various other kinds of signs and sales. But we want to say that :: :: :: ::

WE WILL SAVE YOU MONEY

on a purchase of DRY GOODS, Ladies' Misses or Children's Skirts, Suits or Cloaks; and the prices are the lowest consistant with high class Merchandise on everything in the house. Come and we will show you.

YOURS TO PLEASE,

W. E. Skeen

SENATOR BAILEY WILL NOT RESIGN

In answer to statements published recently by both Texas and Eastern newspapers to the effect that he seriously contemplated the resignation of his seat in the Senate to submit the question of his election to a primary election, Senator J. W. Bailey dictated the following statement to the Washington Post:

Bailey's Statement.

"To the Washington Post: I seldom take the trouble to correct mis-statements concerning me, but as I am certain it is not the purpose of the Post to misrepresent me, I venture to correct the story which you published this morning as having been printed in the New York Times. Of course, I do not know what rumor was circulated at the Metropolitan hotel, but I know that the statement that some of my friends have advised me to resign and make another primary race as the only course by which I could save myself is a pure invention without a syllable of truth in it.

Was Never Suggested.

"No friend of mine has ever made any such suggestion and all my friends perfectly understand that the opposition to me does not constitute 10 per cent of the regular democrats in Texas. There are communities where the percentage is larger, but there are other communities where my enemies do not number 2 per cent, and taking the State as a whole it is a liberal estimate to allow them 10 per cent of our decent democrats. This being true, my friends would not consider it necessary to my vindication that I must honor the whims of political nondescripts, socialists and anarchists. It is an outrage that a respectable newspaper like the Post should be used by these creatures to mislead public sentiment in this section of the country as to the political conditions in Texas. Respectfully,
"J. W. BAILEY."

We are offering the best cheese we have had for some time. Give it a trial. 25c a pound.

TREVATHAN & BLAND.

Oxford fruit cakes, also material for making them, at King & White's. 178-1f

LESS WHEAT SOWN.

Dorsey Says Texas Acreage is Only About 50 Per Cent of Normal.

Owing to the high price of cotton, the scarcity and high price of seed wheat, and the fear of greenbugs, the Texas acreage in wheat this year is not more than 50 per cent of the normal. At least, this is the opinion of H. B. Dorsey, secretary of the Texas Grain Dealers' Association, who bases his estimate upon detailed reports reaching him from all grain producing sections of the State. In Oklahoma as well, material reductions have also been made, declares Secretary Dorsey.

The season for planting wheat and fall oats is now ended and there is also a material decrease in the Texas acreage in fall oats. The short crop next year will therefore lessen the wheat supply and will have the tendency, if aided by other sections, to command fancy prices for the product. In view of this fact, those grain men who have made heavy sowings in wheat are feeling good, and the star of hope is shining brightly for them. And these do not fear the ravages of the greenbugs very seriously, either, for they figure that the pest paid his sextennial visit during the maturing season of this year, and is not due again for five or six years. But others had fear of green bugs and preferred to cut their wheat acreage short and plant cotton instead. The high price of the fleecy staple also figured in influencing this action.

Now Secretary Dorsey is urging the farmers to sow heavily in spring oats, and corn and to reduce the cotton acreage, in accordance with the plans of the Farmers' Union. Mr. Dorsey thinks that the prudent thing to do is to shave the cotton acreage and get 15 cents for the crop and raise jointly more corn and spring oats, for which good prices are assured.—Fort Worth Record.

Boys, we are selling new firecrackers at three packages for 10c. Our fireworks are all new stock and guaranteed to shoot. Follow the crowd and you will get your fireworks at The Nickle Store. 190-2t

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If the mine disaster continue to occur with as much frequency as has been the case during the past three weeks, the question of "What Shall We Do With Our Allens" will solve itself. Of the six hundred miners who were blown to pieces and suffocated by gas in these terrible disasters this month, three-fourths of them are foreign born.

Train to Archer City.
 A train was made up here early this morning and run over the Wichita Fall and Southern to Archer City. On account of the track being laid over a new grade the train was run very slowly to prevent any accident. On board the train were J. A. Kemp, president of the road; C. L. Fontaine, general freight and passenger agent, and Superintendent T. R. T. Orth and other passengers.

At Archer City the train was met by a big crowd which had gathered to welcome its coming. The good people of Archer City met the Wichita Falls visitors and treated them so royally that the return trip was delayed several hours, and the start for the trip back to Wichita Falls was not made until about 2 o'clock. The train is expected to reach this city at about 4 o'clock this afternoon.

ODD THINGS IN A DAY'S NEWS.
 Joseph T. Adams of St. Louis was fined \$600 for attempting to flirt with a girl on the street.

Dr. D. Reese, a dentist of Harrisburg, while operating, was struck in the eye by a splinter from the patient's tooth, and loss of sight followed.

Six terrapin taken recently from the Carlton Hotel, in London, aroused great curiosity, the newspapers referring to them as "six interesting American guests."

At Blacksburg, Pa., a hog weighing 600 pounds chewed up a dynamite cap which had been thrown in the pen, and the cap, exploding, tore off the animal's head.

A lighted cigarette stump thrown from the top of an electric omnibus in Philadelphia set fire to the hat of Miss Alice Fougere, and she narrowly escaped serious injury.

At Kansas City J. N. Davis was awarded \$1,000 for the loss of his wife, who crossed a lot and fell into a man-hole on the property of I. J. Ringolsky in her desire to avoid meeting a ghost.

Nice home grown pecans in 25-lb lots at 8c a pound.
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**B. C. WILLIAMS,
 L. H. LAWLER,
 J. R. BRITTON,
 FRED. CARTER.**
 190-3t

Dr. S. Milliken of Dallas, assisted by Dr. Burnside of this city, performed a very serious operation upon Mrs. A. D. Anderson at her home here today. This afternoon it was announced that the operation had been a successful one and that the patient was resting quietly.

Did you ever think what an appropriate Christmas gift for your wife an all cotton felt mattress would make? We have them from \$4.50 to \$18.50. **North Texas Furniture and Coffin Co.** 180-1t

You cannot make your friends a more appreciative present than an hour's amusement at the Majestic. It

Before making your Christmas purchases visit T. B. Noble's book store and confectionery, where you will find the largest and best selected stock of Christmas presents in the city. 176-1t

At 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon T. N. Moss and Miss Lula Crow were united in marriage by Justice Brothers. 191-1t

Bring your friends to the Majestic during the Christmas holidays. 191-1t

GOOD NEWS

To the Men and Boys of Wichita Falls,
OUR 25 PER CENT DISCOUNT SALE STARTS TODAY!



A Bona Fide Reduction Sale on all Men's and Boys' Clothing just in time for Christmas. Owing to the depression in trade for the past few days, we are compelled to unload our Fall and Winter line of Clothing, our stock being entirely too large at the present time. This gives you an opportunity to buy Suits and Overcoats at an unusual saving in price.

Our stock represents all the latest fall styles. Every garment is reduced. None reserved. Our 25 per cent discount sales are legitimate, to say the least. When we announce a Reduction Sale we mean it. Now's your opportunity. Come early for the first selection. 25 per cent discount on all Boys' Clothing, on all Boys' Trousers as well as Men's. We have just received a large shipment of Shoes and Stetson Hats which we will sell at cost while the 25 per cent discount sale is on our Clothing. All Underwear Shirts and Furnishing Goods at a great reduction.

\$10.00 Suits Reduced to	\$ 7.50
12.50 Suits Reduced to	9.40
15.00 Suits Reduced to	11.25
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TWO DAYS ONLY

Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 23--24

Now is the opportunity of your life, whether you want to furnish your home, or simply want one piece of furniture. We had our gauge set for so much business during the year 1907. We lack just \$3,000 yet being up to the mark. We are going to make a desperate effort to reach it. Here they are:

36 Oak Sewing Rockers, former price \$2.00, Christmas price 99c (One to a family as long as they last).
 24 Handsome Solid Oak Beds, former price \$7.00; Christmas price \$3.78 (One to a family as long as they last).
 24 Beautiful Quarter-sawed Oak Beds, former price \$12.00; Christmas price \$6.98. (One to a family as long as they last).
 16 Quarter-mounted Folding Beds, former price \$16.50; Christmas price \$10.78. (One to a family as long as they last).
 Hamper Baskets 40 per cent off.

24 Iron Beds, former price \$3.00; Christmas price \$1.98. (One to a family as long as they last).
 8 Solid Oak Dressers, mirrors 18x20, former price \$13.00; Christmas price \$7.98. (One to a family as long as they last).
 10 Charter Oak Laundry Hearters at greatly reduced prices.
 Lace and Portier Curtains, 40 per cent off while they last.
 Art Squares, 9x12, all wool, ingrain, former price \$12.00; Christmas price \$8.98. (One to a family).
 Art Squares, 9x9, same as above, at \$6.98.

Wicker Rockers, Dining Tables, Buffets, Dining Chairs, Fine Art Squares, Book Cases, Bed-room Suits, Hat Racks, Parlor Suits, Leather Rockers.

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 174-1f 524f

Indian made moccasins and many other Indian curios to be had at reasonable prices. North Texas Furniture and Coffin Co.
 189-1f

Try a pound of those fancy marshmallows at .25c a pound. You will be pleased.
TREVATHAN & BLAND.

T. B. Noble wants all Christmas shoppers to call at his place and inspect his line of cut glass, hand-painted china, fancy stationery, etc.
 176-1f

Change of program at the Majestic tonight.
 191-1f

Cox & Snyder, contractors, have been awarded the contract for two section houses and one depot for the Wichita Falls and Southern Railway. The depot will be built at Archer City and the two section houses between here and that place.

Come and see our line of Indian curios, Japanese china, parlor lamps, etc. Christmas presents that are useful. North Texas Furniture and Coffin Co.
 189-1f

Otto Hund and Will Stegall paid fines in Justice Brothers' court Saturday afternoon for participating in a spectacular mixup in the downtown district.

The good old Christmas times are here and they will not be complete without a visit to the Majestic.
 191-1f

Phone or see J. L. Mears when you want coal.
 182-1f

NEGRO SHOOTS UP TRAIN.

Student of Louisiana State University Gets Bullet in the Neck.

Baton Rouge, La., Dec. 22.—Robert Wesson, a negro of the West Feliciana parish, was brought to Baton Rouge today and placed in the State penitentiary for safe keeping, charged with shooting up a passenger train on the Yazoo and Mississippi Valley Railroad. As a result of Wesson's wild rampage, Adonis K. Wridout, a young cadet of the Louisiana State University, is dead at his home at Bayou Sara, La., and the coaches of the train bear witness to the reckless shooting of the negro.

The shooting occurred during the night. Wesson, who says he was drinking at the time and did not know what he was doing, got off the train at Powell's station, about five miles from Bayou Sara. Drawing a heavy calibre revolver, he began to fire into the train. One of the bullets crashed through a window and wounded young Wridout in the neck. He died shortly after the train arrived at Bayou Sara. He was on his way home for the Christmas holidays.

A posse which started in search of Wesson had little difficulty in arresting him. Owing to the danger of his being lynched by enraged citizens, he was brought here by the officers.

Boys of Woodcraft.

All members are requested to be present Thursday night, December 26, 1907, to install officers for the new year.
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THE WARIn his interesting book entitled "Cu-
riosties of Popular Customs," the au-
thor, W. S. Walsh, thus tells of the
Christmas celebration in the South
before the war:"The ante-bellum period in the
Southern States was signalized by a
special celebration at Christmas-tide,
handed down from those English folks,
gentle and simple, who first peopled
Virginia and the Carolinas and whose
descendants have spread over the face
of the country, south of Mason and
Dixon's line."There's no such thing as real
Christmas now," sigh the elder folks,
black and white, whose memories run
back to the gay good days of slavery.
Then, in truth, it was a two weeks
saturnalia. No master who respected
himself or hoped to keep the respect
of his neighbors dreamed of asking
his black people to do more in the
month of September than kill hogs
and get up a big Christmas woodpile."When the hauling was finished, a
dozen axes flew, chopping it in lengths
for the big, open-throated fireplaces.
By and by there was a procession of
stout fellows with a log or a turn of
small sticks on the shoulder, setting
up great piles of firewood beside all
doors. After every exit in the great
house was duly surrounded in this
manner, the back piazzas filled, and
chips banked high in the saddle room,
great sticks and small began to be
heaped at the cabin doors. By the
time they were all fully furnished the
mountain of a woodpile was sensibly
smaller, though far from exhausted.
Usually this time came to pass about
midday of December 24th."To the mass of slaves their mas-
ters' concerns were as much a matter
of interest and pride as they were to
those affected by them. Besides, the
darky is a born gossip, likewise a born
detective."The quickest match-making mam-
ma was not quicker to detect serious
intentions in a promising young man
visitor. Where there were young lad-
ies in the house, the young man vis-
itor was mighty plentiful about Christ-
mas time. He came from far and
near, often across three counties. He
rode a high-stepping horse, and was
nice in matter of equipage. Often he
brought along his own black boy, like-
wise mounted and carrying behind him
fat, bulging saddlebags, stuffed with
his master's wardrobe. For the young
man came to stay the week—most
likely the fortnight—unless he got "the
sack" from the object of his affections
and rode away in a furious huff."Often, too, the old negroes went vis-
iting on their own account. No time
like Christmas for a trip back to Old
Master's or to see the sister or brother
who had been given to some other
branch of the family, so lived maybe
twenty miles away. Duly mounted,
tricked out in his Sunday best, with all
sorts of queer bundles dangling here
and there, and a carpet bag fat to
bursting swung at the horn of the
saddle, Black Daddy and Mammy rode
a Christmasing, and at the journey's
end were as welcome to whites as to
blacks."Nightfall brought swarms of visit-
ors, boys to the house and to the
kitchen. Often there was a big dance
in both as soon as it was fairly dark.
In every cabin there was laughter,
singing and good cheer. In many of
them the revelry went on through the
night. The dancing lasted maybe to
1 o'clock; after that there was stung
to the accompaniment of a gourd banjo
with, a little later, tale telling in the
light of the waning fire."The pious among the slaves prayed
and sang the night through. But their
piety did not take the form of a pro-
hibition sentiment. With a psalm yet
hot in the mouth they were as ready
as their fellows to troop up to the
great house at daylight and drink their
share of Christmas eggnog. Small
blame to them, either, since the eggnog
of those days was a mighty seductive
thing to anyone who had a nice taste
in drinks."Try one of those 2-lb cans of peach,
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All our 85c Dress Goods at	70c	All our \$1.00 Underwear at	75c	Children's 35c Union Suits at	25c	One lot of \$6.50 Blankets at	\$5.00
All our 75c Dress Goods at	60c	All our 75c Underwear at	50c	Children's 25c Hose at	20c	One lot of \$5.00 Blankets at	\$3.90
All our 65c Dress Goods at	50c	All our 60c Underwear at	40c	Children's 20c Hose at	12½c	A big lot of Children's Suits and overcoats at cost and less than cost. Men's and Boy's Hats at your own prices.	
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Several Dress Patterns at Cost for CASH. One lot of Silk Waist Patterns at cost for CASH. See our stock of Dress Silks at the cut prices. \$1.50 silks at \$1.25, \$1.25 silks at 95c, 75c and 80c silks at 60c. A BIG LOT OF TRUNKS MUST BE SOLD. :: :: ::

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DAINGEROUS FISH.

Ways of the Green Moray of Bermuda and the Devilfish.

When one speaks of dangerous fish the first that come to mind are the shark and the octopus. But neither of these is really formidable to fishermen. The shark never attacks a boat and the octopus very rarely.

A much worse creature than either shark or octopus is the devilfish—a large ray that is common in the warm waters of the Atlantic. This fish grows to a weight of a ton and a half and, besides formidable teeth, is armed with a horrible barbed and poisoned spike in the tail. It has often been known to attack boats.

A fishing party in a launch succeeded in harpooning one of these fish in the bay known as Aransas Pass, Texas. The brute towed them eighteen miles out to sea and very nearly upset the launch. It was twenty-five feet long and weighed 3,000 pounds.

A very nasty customer is the green moray of Bermuda. This rather resembles a conger eel, but is green in color and savage beyond any fish that swims. An English marine officer, fishing off Bermuda a year or two ago, hooked a large specimen and began to pull it in.

His negro boatman, his eyes staring with fright, begged him wildly to cut the line. The officer at first refused, but when he saw the fish turn on itself and with a crunch of saw edged teeth bite a large piece out of its own body he came to the conclusion that it was not a nice thing to have in a small boat.

The swordfish is a dangerous creature. Swordfish are caught for the sake of their oil and flesh, especially along the Atlantic coast of the United States. They are harpooned in the same manner in which whales used to be killed. Quiet enough until attacked, the swordfish then seems to go raving mad and fights with unmatched ferocity.—London Answers.

Amended.

A Pennsylvania divine formed one of a house party in Philadelphia where the younger son, in accordance with what the clergyman observed to be his constant habit, as soon as he had seated himself at breakfast immediately possessed himself of a large slice of bread, the quality of which he proceeded to test by a liberal mouthful.

The minister, a stickler in such matters of propriety, gazed blandly at him for a moment or so; then he folded his hands and closed his eyes in preparation for grace.

"For what we are about to receive," he intoned, with painful emphasis, "and for what our young friend has already received, Lord, make us truly thankful."—Harper's Weekly.

Pearl Banks of Ceylon.

In a report from Colombo the United States consul says that of the world's great fisheries none can compare either in point of antiquity or in the continuity of their prosecution with the pearl fisheries of Ceylon, which he thus describes: "The pearl banks of Ceylon date back to the sixth century before Christ. It is recorded that Vijaya, the first Singhalese king of Ceylon, in the year 550 B. C. presented his father-in-law, the Pandyan king of Madura, a gift of pearls, thus indicating a settled fishery for pearls on the coast of his dominion prior to the historic date."

now for the final scramble!

We have been living in an atmosphere of Christmas for some weeks. The interest in our display has been unusual because we have an unusual display.

Our Xmas business has been even larger than we looked for—so we are hoping for lively times during the final scramble.

We expect it for two reasons—

First—Because as an ideal present Jewelry stands supreme, especially at Christmas time, which is set apart the world over for an exchange of affections.

Second—This store is fixed better than most to please all people. Come expecting to find ample selections. Come expecting to get generous values.

The Watch selection will be found very attractive—\$3.00 to \$150.00. For men, women and children. The Ring display will appeal to hundreds of shoppers—\$1.00 to \$400.00. All gems, singly and in tasteful combinations.

Our Silverware stock will delight you \$1.00 to \$100.00 and so will our Cut Glass \$1.50 to \$100.00.

Then there is an almost endless showing of smaller articles Brooches \$1.00 to \$100.00. Chains 75c to \$50.00. and the place to buy the goods are from.

A. S. Fonville,

The Jeweler.

GIVE US A TRIAL—OUR STOCK WILL PLEASE YOU

Lime, Cement, Brick.
 Unexcelled Malthoid Roofing.
 We Moulding, Doors, Windows.
 Sell Barb wire and Nails.
 Everything in Lumber.
 Red Picket Fence.

J. S. Mayfield Lumber Co.

PHONE 28.

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	Cor. 4th Bur.	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				
8	412	Cor. 5th Bur.	1700.00				
9	500	Cor. 5th Bur.	1800.00				
10	504	" "	1500.00				
11	508	" "	1500.00				
12	511	with lot 8	1600.00				
13	507	" "	1400.00				
14	505	" "	1400.00				
15	503	" "	1650.00				
16	501	Cor. 5th Bur.	1550.00				
17	413	Cor. 5th Bur.	1650.00				
18	411	" "	1400.00				
19	409	7th	1500.00				

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.		

These houses are extra well built and finished; large rooms, solid concrete foundations, all flues built from the ground, all screened, wired for electric lights, a small barn goes with every house, lots 50x150 feet, running back to the alley. Liberal terms given. Reasonable cash payment, balance on monthly, quarterly, semi-annual or annual payments at 8 per cent interest. There is no better town in which to invest than Wichita Falls, and no better property in the city than this; close in, free from dust, the best of soil, well drained, and the highest land of any part of the city lying in the valley. The telephone and electric light companies are now putting in their respective lines, and the water mains will be installed in a very short time. To see the property and for full particulars, call on,

BEAN & STONE, Agents

Office St. James Hotel Block

Telephone 63

Buggies, Pianos

UNDERTAKERS GOODS
LICENSED EMBALMERS

Wichita Falls Imp. Co.

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MOORE & RICHOLT

Hot and Cold Baths—Competent Workmen. Polite Attention—Prompt Service

Williams' Barber Shop

BEN WILLIAMS, Proprietor.

THE LEADING SIX CHAIR SHOP IN THE CITY

SEVENTH STREET

Wichita Falls, Texas

TO DO BUSINESS WITHOUT COST.

Change of Rules in a Prominent Business House in This City.

At 7 o'clock this morning we made the following changes in the management of our business:

- All employees work till the 1st of January without salary. Of course this necessitates their cutting off all grocery bills, coal bills, house rents, etc.
- We will pay no more house rent and as we own no business property, we will not have to pay taxes, insurance, repairs, or interest on notes.
- We have contracted with a lumber company to furnish us, for our horse, sawdust at 3 cents per day and we paid that in advance.
- We oiled our wagon yesterday.
- We have left off our grocery bill at home.
- If any of our friends can suggest any other extravagant habits we have fallen into, we will leave same off at once.

Pay for this ad? Not on your life. This is purely an item of news that the people are interested in and should the editor fail to make publication, we will cut off our sub— Oh, yes, we will have to do that anyway, so we will never know whether this appears in print.

Any way, we are going to try the experiment of doing business without expense, perhaps the second effort of the kind ever undertaken in the world. Our clerks may become very lean and somewhat cross by Saturday or Monday, but please bear with them for the sake of what you can save by making your purchases here. No customers will be permitted to tip our clerks. This shall not be construed to mean that our bookkeeper shall not continue to receive her daily box of candy from friends on the outside.

We promise now to let you know the result of this venture on or before the 1st of January, 1908. We know the whole world will anxiously await the report on this experiment. Yours for business without expense,
W. F. JOURDAN FURN. CO.,
1874, c. 4. The Home Furnishers.

Announcement.

We wish to announce that on January 15th we will move into the spacious halls over Kerr & Hursh's hardware store, which will be fitted up and furnished with modern business college equipment.

We propose to conduct a school of honest methods and genuine merit, and are prepared to give the boys and girls of this section as good business training as they can secure anywhere. Give us a trial and we will not disappoint you. Wichita Commercial College.
186-17

The Cream Bakery wants to sell you your Christmas candies, nuts and fruitss. Their line is complete. 176-17



THE WICHITA FALLS SANITARIUM
A modern, up-to-date institution for treatment of Medical and Surgical Diseases. Trained nurses in attendance. Corner 7th St. and Scott Ave.

Wm. Cameron & Co.

(Incorporated)

Dealers in LUMBER, LIME and CEMENT
CORRUGATED IRON AND NAILS

C. G. TEVIS, Manager

WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS

Wall Paper, Picture Frames and Window Glass

WEIDMAN BROS.,

Agents, Sherwin-Williams Paint.

Next door to Postoffice, WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS

PERSONAL MENTION

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Rayborn of Dundee were shopping in the city today, among the visitors in the city today.

Dr. T. F. Burnett of Seymour was Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ford of Holliday were shopping in the city today.

James A. Freeman will leave today for Bonham to spend Christmas.

W. B. Halker of Petrolia was here on business today.

Charles Durden came home from Waco Saturday, where he is attending school, to spend Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Campbell will leave for Fort Worth tomorrow to spend the holidays.

Miss Ruth Bullock, who is attending the Kidd-Key college at Sherman, is at home to spend the holiday vacation.

Miss Jenness Frieze arrived yesterday from the State University at Austin to spend the holiday vacation at home.

G. D. Anderson returned yesterday from Kerrville, where he had been on business.

Mr. T. G. Stearns and family of Beaver Creek are in the city visiting relatives.

M. J. Talbot, a prominent citizen of Petrolia, was transacting business here today.

Master Arthur Yeager of Vernon is visiting his little friend, Miss Grace Anderson, of this city.

Prof. T. P. Norwood of Overbrook, Oklahoma, is here to spend Christmas with his parents.

Leon Fontaine Jr. left Saturday for St. Louis, where he will spend the holidays with relatives and friends.

Mr. John Doyle, a prosperous farmer from Charlie, was transacting business in the city today.

Mrs. George Ellis of Seymour was in the city today en route to Uvalde, Texas, to spend Xmas with relatives.

Mr. S. B. Melton and wife of Seymour were in the city today en route to Center, Texas, to visit relatives.

Mr. J. H. Huggins of Frederick, Oklahoma, was transacting business in the city today.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Rhodes returned to this city today from Alford, at which place they have been making their home temporarily.

Mesdames Cora Cooper and Maud Tinkle of Maud, Oklahoma, are in the city, the guests of their brothers, J. F. and H. E. Stearns.

Mrs. V. S. Kay left this afternoon for Iowa Park to visit her sister, Mrs. Bledsoe, who is reported to be quite sick with pneumonia.

Messrs. E. M. Gillis and A. E. McCleskey, two prominent citizens of Iowa Park, were transacting business in the city today.

Mr. John Thompson, a prominent stockman and farmer of Crowell, Texas, is in the city, the guest of his friend, Mr. J. P. Jackson.

John Robertson and Will Blakemore left yesterday for Atoka, Oklahoma, where they will spend the holidays hunting.

Master Dudley Jackson, who is attending the North Texas College at Terrell, is here to spend the holidays with his father, Frank Jackson.

S. S. Pike received his commission as postmaster of Burk Burnett Thursday evening and will take charge of the office Saturday morning.—Burk Burnett Star.

Mr. W. M. McGregor, cashier of the First National bank, left last night for Cameron, Texas, in response to a message announcing the serious illness of his father.

Miss Merced McKenzie, stenographer for Anderson & Patterson, left this afternoon for her home in Bowie to spend the holidays with relatives and friends.

Jack Huggins, one of the popular employes of the Denver road, with headquarters at Amarillo, is in the city to spend the holidays with relatives and friends.

Mrs. Amanda Minter of Guthrie, Texas, was in the city today en route to Denton to visit her daughter who is attending college in that city. While here she was the guest of her sister, Mrs. T. W. Roberts.

Mrs. Scoggin of Borden county, who has been visiting relatives at Vernon and Davidson, Oklahoma, has returned to this city to spend Christmas with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. H. W. Norwood.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Moore left this afternoon for Corpus Christi, where they will remain indefinitely. They will also visit Mr. Moore's old home in Hamburg, Arkansas, before returning to this city.

Mrs. J. J. Dalton left yesterday morning for Bonham to spend Christmas with friends and relatives. Dr. Dalton will also spend Christmas at Bonham and will leave for that place in the morning.

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Greenwood returned Saturday after a bridal trip in South Texas, on which they visited San Antonio, Galveston and Seguin, the latter place being Mr. Greenwood's old home.

GREAT Slaughter Sale

We Will Offer our Entire Stock of Clothing at

1-3 Off For Cash

\$30.00	Suits going at	-	-	-	-	\$20.00
25.00	"	"	"	"	"	16.65
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12.00	"	"	"	"	"	8.00
10.00	"	"	"	"	"	6.65

This gives you a chance to buy STEIN BLOCH Clothing, the finest clothing in America, at 33% discount. This sale for CASH ONLY—We need the money.

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DR. J. W. DUVAL,
Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat—Xray
and Electricity.
Wichita Falls, Texas

Mrs. H. D. Creath and babe left Sunday for a visit with her parents at Beeville, Texas. Miss Carrie Little, a sister of Mrs. Creath, who spent the latter part of the summer and fall here, accompanied her home. Miss Carrie has made many friends while here who regret to lose her from our midst.

Edison Jalonick and sister, Miss Nellie, who have been attending school in Missouri, the former at Booneville

and the latter at Kansas City, returned to their home in this city Saturday evening to spend the Christmas vacation with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Canfield.

For Christmas you will want a can of plum pudding. We have Libbey's in 25c and 50c cans. Also plum pudding sauce in 25c cans. Try them.
TREVATHAN & BLAND.

Our store will be closed all day Christmas. Phone us your orders Tuesday.

TREVATHAN & BLAND.

Yes, Ladies, We are the "Central Station" for bed clothing, blankets and comforts. Per pair \$1.25 to \$9.00. North Texas Furniture and Coffin Co. 185-1f

Toys of every description are now on display at T. B. Noble's confectionery and book store. 176-1f

EVERYTHING FOR YOUR CHRISTMAS DINNER

No use to enumerate—we have it all. Also for the Children's Stocking—Fruits, Nuts and Candies of every description. Just send your orders, you'll get just what you want.

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