

PRICE FIVE CENTS

WILL REFUSED NEGRO SUSPECT

Preliminary Hearing of Ben Soured, Accused of Killing

J. C. Allen, Ended

\$300 BOND FOR WOMAN

Witnesses Testify as to Relations Between Prisoner and Dead Man

Ben Soured and Hattie Allen, both colored, charged with the murder of J. C. Allen, also colored, were given a preliminary hearing before Justice Charles T. Rowland Tuesday that consumed all the afternoon. Soured was remanded to jail without bail, while the woman was permitted to give bond in the sum of \$300.

Seven or eight witnesses were placed on the stand. The most damaging evidence was that given by Will Vaughan, who said that he was passing along the alley where the killing of Allen occurred on the night of Dec. 14, and saw a yellow negro hurrying away across Burnett street. He was a tall man and wore a short overcoat, but when asked by the prosecuting attorney if Soured, who sat before him in court, was that man, Vaughan stated he was not willing to swear he was positively. Vaughan also testified that Sunday before the killing he saw Soured and Jack Allen together at the latter's home. They were apparently having a discussion over something, but did not know what it was.

He heard Allen say, "There is a law to protect me, and I am going to see about it." Vaughan added that he also heard a woman talking inside the house, and that she said: "You and them for it. Wish you would stay away from here." When asked if he knew who it was talking witness said that he did not, but supposed it was the Allen woman. This evidence was objected to, as witness was unable to identify the voice as that of the woman.

Young Kirk, a lad, 16 or 17 years of age, who found the body of Allen lying face downward on the corner of Thirtieth and Lamar streets, soon after the killing, while on his way home from town, testified that he saw a woman and a man running down the alley, and thought they were colored, but was not positive as to the man, as he had his back toward him when he was looking at him. It was 12:15 o'clock when Kirk found the body. He immediately returned to town and notified a policeman. The negro woman he saw was no headgear. Kirk was also unable to definitely identify the defendants as the persons he saw on the night of the killing. The woman, he stated, turned and looked toward him. The man was tall.

POLICEMAN TESTIFIES

Police Officer George was next placed on the witness stand and told of the finding of the body of Allen. He said that he knew the dead man well; that he found him lying on his face, the head showing that he had received a blow which felled him to the ground, and his throat was cut. He had only been dead a short while when witness reached him, and while his hands and face were cold, his body was still warm, showing that the murder had been committed only a short time before. It was about 12:15 when witness went to the scene of the murder. He began a search for the murderer or murderers soon thereafter, and in a wood yard, where it was thought the party suspected might be at work.

Frank Washington knew all three persons—Allen, Soured and the woman. He said he had frequently seen the woman and Soured, walking together, about six days before the killing.

ALICE JOHNSON ON STAND

The testimony of Alice Johnson, at whose house Soured lived, stated that he and Soured, walking together, he saw the killing, to the best of her knowledge. When the officers called at her house she produced the pants, coat and shirt that Soured had worn the day of the killing and which he had taken off. A hatchet was also shown the officers who went to her house, and on which the officers thought they noticed blood. Witness stated that she told the officers that she had used the hatchet to kill chickens with. She swore that Soured had come to her house at 8 o'clock Wednesday night; that at about 2 o'clock that night she got up to give medicine to a white woman and that Soured was there when she returned.

THOUGHT HE SAW BLOOD

Assistant Chief of Police Allen stated that he went to the home of Alice Johnson and found the clothes that had been worn by Soured; that he discovered on the pants near the pocket and also on the hatchet what he took to be blood, although he was not able to positively say that it was blood when cross examined. He said that whatever it was it was red and very much resembled blood.

H. H. Hager, who conducts a wood and feed yard in the neighborhood of the killing, testified that Soured had worked for him, but on the day following the murder he asked for his time about 10 o'clock in the morning. He had worked two and one-half days up to the time he quit his employ. Soured was with Hager when he heard of the murder. Witness asked him if he knew Allen and he said no. Soured worked for Hager once before. On cross examination the witness

said that other men who worked for him had quit their work in the same way. Detective James Thomason also testified before the court the finding of Allen's body and the scenes surrounding it. He said that a half pint bottle of gin was picked up near the body. His testimony was about the same as that introduced by other officers.

The case against Soured will now be investigated by the grand jury. During the trial the court room was well filled with people, particularly negroes.

ACTRESS' FATE NOW WITH JURY

Closing Arguments in Trial of Nan Patterson Made by Counsel Today

PRISONER IS CONFIDENT

Expresses Belief in Verdict of Acquittal Despite the State's Charge

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Before another day Nan Patterson probably will know whether her long cherished desire to spend the Christmas holidays with her invalid mother in Washington will be realized or whether she will be doomed to return to her cell a convicted murderer.

After more than six months' waiting she has seen the whole story of her life with Caesar Young and its tragic ending laid bare for a jury and today she waited for the word for them which will mean life or death with her.

That she is supremely confident of the outcome, there seemed no doubt as was apparent from her own words: "I feel sure that the jury will believe my story, and no matter what Mr. Rand says in regard to it, it will still be convinced of my innocence."

"I know, of course, that such things are awfully uncertain, but I feel that I shall be acquitted within a brief time after the jury adjourns to deliberate." Today there remained only the closing scenes of the trial. The last word of testimony was heard yesterday, and when court adjourned it was agreed the closing arguments of the counsel would be made today. Justice Davis expressed the wish to give the case finally into the hands of the jury before adjournment tonight and to that end an agreement was made to confine the closing arguments to six hours. Half that time is assigned to Abraham Levy, leading counsel for Miss Patterson. The remaining three hours are to be used by Assistant District Attorney Rand for the prosecution.

"LOVED HIM" ACTRESS SAYS

Nan Patterson on Stand Declares Caesar Young Was One Man in the World

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Closing arguments were heard this morning in the case of Nan Patterson, charged with the murder of Caesar Young, the noted book-maker. It is expected the case will reach the jury tonight.

Yesterday afternoon's session was devoted to the cross examination of the actress by Attorney Rand. After declaring her inability to tell the total amount of money given her by Young she told of their discussion of his contemplated trip to Europe.

In response to questions, she declared Young had told her the day before his death he was afraid his wife would kill either her or him, and that his wife was armed.

When questioned as to her feelings regarding the separation which must follow the European trip, she declared she had no intention of following him to Europe, and asked if she loved him, declared she did.

"Passionately, devotedly? He was the one man in the world for me," queried the lawyer, and she replied, "Yes." She described the scene in the cab as follows:

"I told him there was no use in talk about me going to Europe, because I am not going. Then he reached over and seizing my wrists drew me toward him. I did not want him to do that he had hurt me and turned my face away. Then came the report of the shot."

A demand upon the defendant's counsel for letters passing between Young and Nan Patterson about June 3 met with a refusal and a warm tilt between counsel followed. With the refusal the cross examination ended and the defense rested its case.

Mrs. Young testified as to estrangement between herself and husband because of his attentions to the actress.

WILL PUT HOOKS INTO BEEF TRUST

Government Is Determined to Make Packers Furnish Desired Information

TO ASK CONGRESS' AID

Commissioner Garfield Is Expected to Visit Chicago and Demand Facts

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—In its efforts to find out whether the beef trust has violated the injunction found against it under the anti-trust law, the bureau of corporations seems to have run up against a stone wall.

The agents sent out by Commissioner Garfield have conducted investigations at Chicago, Milwaukee, Kansas City, Omaha, and other places. They have found out a great deal about the inner workings of the packing house business, but have not developed any testimony yet of a character going to show to what extent the beef trust continues to control the price of live cattle.

These special agents have completed their work and are ready to present their report to the president. Their researches, however, have not been satisfactory because they necessarily were confined to such channels of information as were open to every one. The private books and papers of the beef trust, the agreements between the different packing houses, the instructions to buyers as to the prices to be paid for beef cattle, and similar necessary information were not obtainable by the open investigation of the special agents, who had the power to force the production of books and papers.

Instead of this being necessary in any way a failure of the investigation, Commissioner Garfield is determined to make a demand upon the packers for all the necessary information. He probably will be compelled to go to Chicago and other centers of the packing houses and live stock interests. He will start soon, although the exact time has not been set.

Commissioner Garfield is determined to make the beef trust show its hand, and to do this he will if necessary subpoena the heads of all the packing houses and all their associates, and compel them to give evidence. If the packing house people volunteer to place in the hands of the commissioner of corporations all the information he requires, there will be no difficulty, but if they do not he will appeal to the courts for the necessary authority and institute proceedings, probably in the federal courts at Chicago, to compel the packers to produce papers and papers in open court.

TO INVOKE CONGRESS

Furthermore, if the commissioner of corporations is not received in a friendly manner, and if the packers persist in refusing to supply anything more than ordinary information as to their business, it will be necessary to make report to this effect at the present session of congress. The result will be as a matter of course that a resolution will be passed by both houses instructing the department of justice to take the necessary steps to determine whether or not the injunction is being violated.

Neither President Roosevelt nor Commissioner Garfield has any intention of getting after the beef trust in any vindictive or unwise fashion. The department of commerce does not even assume that the packers violated the injunction, but it merely takes the ground that their determination to withhold important information indicates that they have reason to believe such information would be used as a basis of prosecution for contempt.

Commissioner Garfield said he had not fully made up his mind whether or not he would go to Chicago, nor had he a definite time fixed for the journey if he should decide to go. From other sources it was learned that the commissioner has made all his preparations to take up the beef trust inquiry personally and he proposed to do it first through the medium of friendly conference with the packers, in which they would be plainly told, however, if they would not volunteer the necessary information the bureau of corporations would not hesitate to appeal to the courts.

President Roosevelt and Commissioner Garfield are on the best possible terms not only personally, but in connection with all anti-trust business, and any action inaugurated by the commissioner can fairly be taken as the accepted policy of the administration.

There was a good deal of criticism in congress last winter over the large amount of money spent by the department of justice and comparatively adequate returns in the way of actual stoppage of trust operations. The Northern Securities case and preliminary litigation in the beef trust cases were understood to be about the best things secured as a result of the appropriation of \$500,000 for the express purpose of prosecuting trusts.

It was for this reason that a great deal of reliance was placed upon the bureau of corporations, and congress directed it especially to make searching investigation as to whether the beef trust men were violating the injunction which prohibited

them from interfering to control the price of cattle.

LOTS OF FACTS, BUT—

Agents of the department under this special authority, have been busily at work ever since last spring. They have developed an immense amount of interesting information, but not enough, it is said, to say either that the injunction was being violated or that it was not.

Officials of the department have been especially anxious to make a good showing in this particular case, because they feel that congress is likely to look upon it as a test of the value to the country of the bureau of corporations, or which Commissioner Garfield is the head. If that bureau fails to get good results from its first important investigation there will be a disposition in congress to withhold from it large appropriations and increases in clerks and special agents which have been constantly asked for.

There is absolutely no political end to the investigation. On the contrary, a great many packers let it be known early in the campaign that they supported President Roosevelt. The investigation to be conducted by Commissioner Garfield therefore will be made on its merits, and if the packers meet the government half way it will not be necessary to ask for assistance from the courts to take any unusual action.

It is the hope of the commissioner and his subordinates to close up the case in time to present a report which will reach congress soon after the holidays. It is likely, therefore, that Commissioner Garfield will go to Chicago quite soon and make side trips from there to other cities if it becomes necessary.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 21.—The Oregonian today says that it has become known that the grand jury which is investigating the land fraud charges has been approached for the purpose of influencing its decisions. One jurymen is known to have been approached and the man who did it is known to the federal authorities. The attempt was unsuccessful, so it is stated.

It also transpires that information is leaking from the jury room as to what is taking place there. This would not be serious if it did not indicate that it is possible to get into communication with the jury.

The witnesses, so far examined by the grand jury are S. B. Ormsby, a former forest ranger; Marie Ware, L. Jacobs, one of the principal witnesses in the first case, and Mrs. Emma L. Watson, already convicted of conspiracy. Nothing is known as to the nature of their testimony.



FOLLOWING THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF ANOTHER MUNIFICENT GIFT TO CHICAGO UNIVERSITY BY JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER COMES THE EXPECTED CUT IN THE PRICE OF CRUDE OIL. OIL OPERATORS HAVE COME TO EXPECT A CUT IMMEDIATELY AFTER LARGE GIFTS BY THE HEAD OF THE STANDARD OIL CO., AND ARE SOMEWHAT DISAPPOINTED.—News Item.

PACKERS AGREE TO CITY'S TAX

Will Pay North Fort Worth \$10,750 on Property Valued at \$2,150,000

A further reduction in the assessments of the packing house interests in North Fort Worth was made by resolution of the council in a called meeting Tuesday night, the figures as now placed amounting to \$2,150,000.

The assessments on the properties are fixed by the board of equalization after several long sessions with the packing house attorneys were placed as follows:

North Fort Worth Townsite Company, \$282,080; Stockyards Company, \$347,904; Belt Railway Company, \$75,100; old packing plant, \$50,000; Armour & Company, \$857,683; Swift & Company, \$387,233, making a total of \$2,060,000.

These figures were adopted by the board after an assessed valuation of over \$2,900,000 had been made. As reduced by the council last night the assessments against the various properties are:

North Fort Worth Townsite Company, \$282,080; Stockyards Company, \$273,996; Belt Railway Company, \$75,100; old packing plant, \$50,000; Armour & Company, \$734,412; Swift & Company, \$734,412.

The taxes on the property at the figures adopted will amount to \$10,750. Attorney Capps, who represented the packing houses and made the offer of a compromise, announced that this sum would be paid at once. This payment will place the city out of debt.

A resolution offering a reward of \$50 for the arrest and conviction of those responsible for the attempt to burn the temporary Marine school house was passed.

LONG PIPE LINE BEGUN

Will Carry Oil from Indian Territory to New York

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Work has been begun on the last state of a pipe line which will convey oil from the fields of Indian Territory to the refineries in Long Island City and Green Point. Men are now preparing to lay pipes under the East river.

The line will be 2,000 miles long and 2,000 men will watch it to detect breaks.

BANK'S HEAD ASSIGNS

CONNEAUT, Ohio, Dec. 21.—O. C. Lilly, cashier of the closed First National bank of this city, and president and owner of the Marine Savings bank at Conneaut Harbor, which is also closed, has made an assignment. It was stated yes-

PROTESTANTS REST IN SMOOT HEARING

Case for Respondent Will Be Opened Jan. 10, Until Which Time Adjournment Has Been Taken

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The case of the Protestants was rested in the Smoot investigation Tuesday evening with the exception of the submission of documentary matter. The case of the respondent will be opened Jan. 10, the hearings being adjourned until that time.

A dispute between counsel as to the admissibility of certain books as evidence of the Mormon faith was decided by Chairman Burrows, who ruled that statements of church officials appearing in them might be offered. Charles M. Owens testified to actions brought against church officials.

REJECTED LOVER KILLS

Final Interview Terminates with Her "No" and Pistol Shot, Killing Her Instantly—Suicide Follows

VICTORIA, Texas, Dec. 21.—Justice Carsner Tuesday completed the inquest into a double tragedy enacted on the homestead, seven miles from here, in which Julia Mischulka and Nea Stubbs, her lover, lost their lives. According to the testimony Stubbs shot the girl and then killed himself, because of her refusal to marry him. He visited her the night before the tragedy to get her answer and returned to his home with gifts and letters he had sent the girl. In the morning he called again to see the girl and her answer "No" to an unheard question was followed by the shot, killing her instantly. Suicide followed.

TWO MEN TRADE WIVES

Women Declare Themselves Satisfied with Bargain

DENISON, Texas, Dec. 21.—For the past fortnight two immigrant parties have been camping near Bears Ferry, I. T. They were from Arkansas. Last Sunday the men agreed to exchange wives. The women were perfectly willing to the transaction. The children went along in the bargain. The parties passed through today en route to Arkansas.

MRS CHADWICK APPEARS

Had Fainting Spell

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 21.—Mrs. Chadwick was taken into the bankruptcy court Tuesday afternoon, but was excused from giving testimony because of her apparent illness. Her attorney announced that he had been unable to hold any connected conversations with her because of her condition, and refused to permit her to be sworn as a witness. Her appearance in court, he declared, was merely to show that she was not insane. During the proceedings she was threatened with a fainting spell. She was removed to the jail in a carriage after the hearing, and it is considered unlikely she will be again summoned.

DROUGHT ALARNS PENNSYLVANIA MANUFACTURERS

Scarcity of Water in Western Part of State Threatens to Throw Thousands Out of Work

LIGHT SNOWFALL GIVES SMALL RELIEF

Baths Denied in Many Cities, Fire Protection Impaired, and Mills and Factories Stopped

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Dispatches from western Pennsylvania to the effect that industrial activity in many centers is threatened on account of protracted drought. Unless conditions change it is possible thousands of men will be thrown out of employment in the mills, mines and the coke fields.

This has been the longest drought and driest year, according to records in that section, since 1871. There is one-half foot of snow on the ground but, even should it melt the situation would not be relieved. The snow, however, has saved many persons and cattle from thirst. In the Allegheny mountains and along the foothills melted snow is used extensively.

Mines in the mountains, it is reported, have ordered all bath tubs shut off. The officials of railroads east of Pittsburgh are experiencing great difficulty in keeping tanks supplied. In towns along the Pennsylvania railroad various water companies have ordered all bath tubs shut off.

Many manufacturing industries have not had any water for weeks. Firemen, when called by alarms, could not get water to extinguish a blaze. They stood by and saw houses and barns burn down. The water company at Irwin is issuing only a limited supply daily. Beginning at Cresson on the mountain top to the bottom of the range water is being carried in barrels many miles, or melted snow suffices for all purposes.

SUGAR TRUST ON COAST

San Francisco Paper Declares Secret Agreement Exists

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—The Examiner says the existence of a secret agreement among wholesale grocers of the coast for the past year and a half to control prices of sugar was revealed by the withdrawal Monday of six local houses from Pacific Trade and the commercial association, the name of which is used to cover the joint operations of the members of the trust. These six big firms, whose combined capital equals that of all the other forty-two members, believe their withdrawal will mean the disorganization of the combination and the trust will be obliged to go out of business. Its manager, H. J. Loveland, says however, the association will go ahead with operations and is "determined to uphold the market."

SUDDEN SHOCK IS FATAL

New York Woman Informed of Husband's Reported Death, Expires

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—An unfeigned report of the death of her husband, from whom she had been separated three years, has cost the life of Mrs. Catherine Shaffer at her home in Union Hill, N. J. Shaffer had been ill of pneumonia, but is recovering. A child of the couple, who lived with the mother, was told on the street that he was dead. She ran home and broke the news. The mother became hysterical, passed from one convulsion to another, and died in a few minutes.

MILLION TREES SOLD

BURLINGTON, Vt., Dec. 21.—More than one million Christmas trees have been taken from the sides of Green mountains to supply in part the wants of New York and Boston. Most of these trees have been cut in the vicinity of Headville, Mount Holly, Cuttingsville and Shrewsbury. Throughout the rest of the Green mountain range the trees had been cut in former years, and now Vermont is stated to be practically destitute of young spruce trees. The prices paid for the trees vary from one cent to fifty cents each on the stump. Their selling prices in the cities vary from fifty cents to \$5.

Thursday is "Mid-Week Shopping Day" in Fort Worth

Try a Telegram "Want" Adv. Tomorrow They Pay. IN TODAY'S TELEGRAM A LARGE NUMBER OF PROGRESSIVE AND UP-TO-DATE MERCHANTS OFFER INDUCEMENTS FOR YOUR PRESENCE AT THEIR STORES ON THURSDAY. MONEY CAN BE SAVED BY READING THEIR ADS. AND VISITING THEIR STORES TOMORROW

Telegram "Wants" Are Read in Over 9,000 Homes Daily

Store open every night till Xmas

Men's Christmas Needs And the Question What to Get?

Don't worry. Any little thing in the list below, whether he has it or not, will please him. No man ever had too many.

1,000 Men's fancy Slippers in pyrographic designs, the popular ooze and other fancy leathers.

Fancy Suspenders in silk and gilt and plated buckles that will not rust, some are in beautiful celluloid boxes, others with fancy lithographed covers. Price 50c, 75c and.....\$1.00

1,200 white embroidered Initial Handkerchiefs that were sold at 10c, to close out take your own pick of the lot at, each.....5c

Fancy Neckties in the new browns and fancy light shades. Four-in-hands and String Ties 20c, 25c, 50c, 75c and.....\$1.00

600 Four-in-hand, Ties at 25c—Just received by express a wonderful bargain, giving you a chance to get all the newest patterns and shades at, each.....25c

SILK MUFFLERS AND HANDKERCHIEFS—White silk initial fancy colored, or the plain hemstitched silk Handkerchiefs 25c, 50c and.....75c

Mufflers in the new grays, blacks and fancy colors, \$1.00 and.....\$1.50

GLOVES—For fancy dress or driving, in kid, 50c, 75c, 90c and.....\$1.25

HATS—If you want a Hat we have them here in new browns or the new shades, \$1.00, \$2.00 to the popular priced \$3.00 and up to.....\$3.50

CHRISTMAS SUITS FOR MEN—\$7.50, \$9.00 AND \$12.50 Suits that are real values, that actually save you \$2.50 to \$5.00. This store never marks up Suits to make them appear cheaper in the final selling.



Rheumatism Does not let go of you when you apply lotions or liniments. It simply loosens its hold for a while. Why? Because to get rid of it you must correct the acid condition of the blood on which it depends. Hood's Sarsaparilla has cured thousands.

Worth will make through connection for Mexico at Valley Junction. The same connection will also be made by the Santa Fe morning and evening trains at Milano Junction.

PLANS COMPLETED "During last week I visited the City of Mexico for the purpose of arranging some of the details of the new service, and everything in the way of plans were perfected. I found the republic in a great state of prosperity and everything looking fine. I also attended the meetings of the National Traveling Passenger Agents convention in the City of Mexico, and thoroughly enjoyed the hospitalities of the people of that city. There is much money being spent in the City of Mexico in the way of public improvements. A fine government building and an elegant theater are being erected. The play house is to be the largest and most costly in the world, and will cost more than a million dollars. Miles and miles of asphalt streets are being built, and the public thoroughfares are kept scrupulously clean. I understand more than \$12,000,000 are being expended for public improvements in Mexico City. I stopped a day in Monterey and found there great improvements since I was last there. The city is about ready to begin operations on the installation of a new electric street car system, water works and sewerage plants.

BETTER SAN ANTONIO SERVICE "The new schedule of the Santa Fe, put into effect last Sunday, is furnishing a most admirable service in connection with our line via Milano Junction, which service also extends to Austin and San Antonio. These trains put on by the Santa Fe are primarily to establish a service that will be operated on schedule time, the chief advantage being to put passengers from north Texas into San Antonio at 7:30 o'clock in the morning. "The outlook for holiday travel on the International and Great Northern is very good, indeed, and we will no doubt carry our full quota of the travel coming."

DIVISION TOWNS TRIVING "The Fort Worth-Waco division towns, especially Maypearl, are in a thriving condition. In April, 1903, Maypearl was a mere way station. It now has a population of 500, with many brick business houses and elegant modern dwellings, school buildings, etc. The other towns along the line are growing in about the same ratio."

WHEAT PROSPECTS GOOD "Rains in the Denver road is back from a trip up the line as far north as Vernon, and reports conditions very flattering for the farmer. There has been thus far this winter a fall of four inches of snow, which, Mr. Tucker says, makes wheat prospects very bright. He says farmers in the Vernon district declare that the wheat crop is assured even should there be no rain fall.

HOLIDAY TRAVEL PROSPECTS General Passenger Agent Glisson of the Denver road says there is already a good movement of holiday travel to the old state from the Panhandle section; in fact much better than was anticipated. Extra equipment has been provided by the Denver road to handle this traffic. Similar reports are made by the Rock Island, the Cotton Belt, the Santa Fe, the Central, the International and the Texas and Pacific.

RAILWAY NOTES AND PERSONALS Frank Jensen, chief clerk in the passenger department of the Rock Island, is back at his desk after a brief absence. J. L. Conway, live stock agent of the Santa Fe, is out on the San Angelo branch looking after the cattle movement.

Just received a car load of chicken feed. Phone C. H. LILLY.....

WEATHER

FORECAST D. S. Landis issued the following statement of weather conditions this morning: East Texas (north)—Tonight and Thursday, increasing cloudiness, probably snow in southwest portion, and on west coast. Warmer in north portion tonight.

WEATHER CONDITIONS The forecast for Texas east of the one hundredth meridian, issued at New Orleans, La. on Wednesday, Dec. 21, 1904. The whole Mississippi valley is dominated by high pressure conditions, and clear cool weather prevails from the Rocky mountains to the Atlantic coast. Low pressure areas are noted over the extreme northeast and the extreme northwest, with rainy weather on the Oregon coast this morning.

The southeast quarter of the country is near the frost line in temperature. Low pressure reported at New Orleans and Jacksonville this morning. Texas is clear, without precipitation, and the temperatures vary from 25 degrees at El Paso to 60 degrees on the west coast. San Antonio reports foggy weather.

WEATHER RECORD Following is the weather record for the last twenty-four hours—minimum and maximum temperature, wind in miles per hour at 8 a. m. and rain in inches:

Table with 4 columns: Stations, Temperature, Min. Max. Wind, Rain. Rows include Abilene, Amarillo, Chicago, Cincinnati, Denver, El Paso, Fort Worth, Galveston, Kansas City, Montgomery, Nashville, New Orleans, Oklahoma, Palestine, Pittsburg, St. Louis, St. Paul, San Antonio.

D. S. LANDIS, Official in Charge. LIVERPOOL, Dec. 21.—Wheat continues depressed, the strength shown in American having no influence around the decline. The tone is now better. Corn is easier with wheat.

BOWDEN'S CASE AGAIN IN COURT

Superintendent of Confederate Home Restrained From Expelling Veteran

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 21.—The Bowden injunction case is back in Austin, being again filed on the docket of the Fifty-third district court in the county clerk's office yesterday. The case was made returnable to this court by Judge Kittrell of Houston, who granted a temporary injunction to Bowden, restraining the superintendent and board of managers of the Confederate home from ejecting him from the home on the charge of insubordination.

Judge W. E. Robertson, who secured the temporary writ of injunction for Bowden from Judge Kittrell, is here and stated that he intended to push the case to the end. He was asked what he would do in case the court here dissolved the temporary injunction granted by Judge Kittrell. He replied promptly that the case would then be appealed to the court of civil appeals and to the supreme court for final adjudication.

J. W. Stephens, the comptroller, will in a few days send out to the tax assessors of the state instructions for the assessment of taxes for the year 1905. Only one change will be made in the instructions given for the previous year, and that change, or addition, is embodied in the following language: "All columns on tax rolls, beginning with the number of acres, shall be added up and correct footings of the same placed at the foot of each column. At the conclusion of rolls make a recapitulation of all the footings adding the same correctly, in order that the total numbers and values may be shown, as per article 2123, revised statutes. This rule must be complied with before rolls are accepted. In making footings of columns of taxes, such footings must be the addition of columns, and not calculation of the taxes, on the total value of the page."

The railroad commission issued an order yesterday requiring all railroad companies in Texas to print and post in their several depots the act passed by the last legislature, requiring them to start and run their trains at regular times, and also requiring their agents to post on bulletin boards information about delayed trains.

Charters of the following corporations have been approved and filed for record in the state department:

The Reid Coal Company of Dallas. Capital stock, \$100,000. Purpose, mining for coal and other minerals. Incorporators, W. Reid, B. R. Smith and H. J. Mierbach.

Parker Company of Dallas. Capital stock, \$25,000. Purpose, manufacture of cigar boxes, labels and paper boxes. Incorporators, W. K. Parker, E. W. Parker, Shirley Arnold, P. S. Borich, L. R. Chamberlain and G. B. Latham.

Paxton Hardware Company of Snyder. Capital stock, \$20,000. Purpose, purchase and sale of goods, wares and merchandise. Incorporators, G. L. Paxton, W. A. Henderson and Leroy Johnson.

The Favorite Printing Company of Bonham. Capital stock, \$10,000. Purpose, publishing a newspaper and doing a general job printing business. Incorporators, J. M. Terry, E. H. Pritchett and W. S. Spotts.

Troyah Lake, Land and Water Company of Pecos City. Capital stock, \$100,000. Purpose, the establishment of an irrigation plant. Incorporators, O. D. Weeks, W. R. Weeks and J. A. Law.

The North Electric Co. was granted a permit to operate in Texas. The home of this company is Cleveland, Ohio. Capital stock, \$250,000, and its Texas headquarters, Dallas.

It appears that adulterated bran and other feed stuff is being shipped into Texas from interstate points on quite an extensive scale. The practice has become so open that the Texas Millers' Association, with headquarters at Fort Worth, have taken up the matter and will make an effort to stop the practice, even if the consumers have to suffer. That is now the only remedy left to them at this time.

A few days ago County Attorney Brady received a letter from the millers' association, in which he was told of the matter, and asked to assist the association in having the practice stopped. Mr. Brady went to work and has notified those who buy bran and other feed stuff that they will have to suffer the penalty of the law if they persist in buying adulterated bran or other feed stuff.

The following proceedings were had in the supreme court Monday: Motion to file petition for mandamus granted—T. Smith et al vs. T. H. Conner et al.

In the case of Arch Norris vs. W. C. Belcher Land Mortgage Company, from Tarrant county, the motion to file motion for rehearing was granted, and then the motion for rehearing was overruled. Motions for rehearing submitted—Chicago, Rock Island and Texas Railway Company et al vs. H. H. Halsell, from Wise county; George C. Altgelt, administrator, et al vs. Alamo National bank, from Bexar county; Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railway Company vs. J. M. Miller, from Cooke county.

Causes submitted—People's National Bank vs. Brogden & Bryan, from Ellis county.

UNITED STATES CASE N. A. Dodge, United States commissioner, is this afternoon hearing the case of the United States vs. Jewett alias Prewitt, charged with theft of over \$100. The complaint against Jewett alleges that he took from Gregory Serrano of Chickasha, Okla., the sum mentioned above.

A peculiar point in the case is that a certain prisoner in the county jail is being held on a warrant charging him with the theft of the \$100 from Jewett.

FORTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT The case of Fort Worth Light and Power Company vs. San Jacinto Oil Company is still on trial in this court. This case was tried once before, resulting in a hung jury. DISTRICT COURT FILINGS Jim Tinnerd, by next friend, vs. Armour & Co., personal injuries. ONE PLEA OF GUILTY In the county court today a man named Strawman pleaded guilty to disturbing the peace. He was fined \$1.

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No use paying \$15.00, \$20.00 and \$25.00 for a suit when you can buy them here for \$7.50, \$9.50 and \$11.50—at half and less than half price. The immensity of this sale is only comprehended when you stop to figure the result. Our entire clothing stock is divided into three lots, was placed on sale last Thursday; \$20.00 and \$30.00 suits for \$14.00; the \$15.00 to \$20.00 suits for \$12.00, and the \$10.00 to \$15.00 suits for \$10.00. A daily fall in price on each lot of 50c per suit. This brings the

Table with 2 columns: Price range and Today's price. Rows include \$20.00 to \$30.00 Suits today down to \$11.50, \$20.00 to \$30.00 Suits tomorrow down to \$11.00, \$15.00 to \$20.00 Suits today down to \$9.50, \$15.00 to \$20.00 Suits tomorrow down to \$9.00, \$10.00 to \$15.00 Suits today down to \$7.50, \$10.00 to \$15.00 Suits tomorrow down to \$7.00.

This clothing is all new stock, made by the best makers of high grade Clothing. New weaves, new colors, new fabrics, in single and double-breasted styles. We stand back of every suit sold at this half price sale, and say—your money back if not entirely satisfactory.

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Each day the price drops 50c per suit. Each day hundreds of suits are sold, narrowing down the selection; hence we advise and say the wise man will get in on today's sale.

Table with 2 columns: Choice of stock and Price. Rows include Today's choice of stock \$7.50, \$9.50, \$11.50, Tomorrow's choice of stock \$7.00, \$9.00, \$11.00, Friday choice of stock \$6.50, \$8.50, \$10.50, Saturday choice of stock \$6.00, \$8.00, \$10.00.

See This Space Tomorrow

GIFT BUYING is more satisfactorily done here. Large lines of Holiday Goods—lowest prices. Handkerchiefs, Gloves, Umbrellas, Fine Hosiery, Fans, Linens, Fancy Goods, Belts, Bags, Silks, Dress Goods, Cloaks, Suits, Silk Petticoats, Furs, Men's Smoking Jackets, Gloves, Ties, Hats, Mufflers—are a few of the many things you buy best here.



CASE TRIED THREE TIMES Ed Leeper, charged with Sunday selling to U. Simon, assistant prosecuting attorney, was put on trial for the third time in Justice Rowland's court today. The first and second trials the jury was unable to agree. The contention of the defense is that U. Simon is an accomplice and must be corroborated. This case is attracting considerable interest among attorneys.

CASES FILED Following cases were filed in the county court: Wadsworth-Cameron Company vs. Rutledge Chemical Company, debt. Benjamin Strohl vs. Theodore Mack, debt.

MARRIED THIS MORNING Charles White and Miss Othella Ridgeway of Springtown, Parker county, were married this morning by Judge John L. Terrell.

VITAL STATISTICS Births—To Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Miller of Kennedale, a boy; to Mr. and Mrs. E. Redman of Fort Worth, a boy; to Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Trammell of North Fort Worth, a boy.

MARRIAGE LICENSES W. H. Brandon and Miss Minnie Thomas. D. E. Crouser and Miss H. B. Bradley.

reticent in a measure, as to the exact reasons for the conference, but one gentleman admitted it was for the purpose of discussing and fixing certain schedules affecting a fast train service from St. Louis to the City of Mexico.

In the conference are the following railroad men: Alex Hilton, general passenger agent of the Frisco; W. B. Scott, general superintendent, and M. L. Robbins, general passenger agent of the Houston and Texas Central; Leroy Trice, general manager, D. J. Price, general passenger agent, and G. L. Noble, assistant general manager of the International and Great Northern; L. S. Thorne, general manager, and J. W. Everman, assistant general manager, of the Texas and Pacific; General Manager Nixon and W. S. Keenan, general passenger agent of the Santa Fe, besides the passenger and transportation representatives of the local lines. O. L. Teachout, who represents the mail service on the Gould system, of St. Louis, is also a member of the conference.

FIRE DESTROYS WASHINGTON CLUB WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The Metropolitan club house, famous as the home of men prominent in social and official life, was destroyed by fire today. Several adjoining buildings were also destroyed. The loss is heavy.

FRANCES HODGSON BURNETT'S SPIRITUAL STORY OF CHILD-LIFE IN THE CLOSED ROOM "Judith is the most touching child character that Mrs. Burnett has given life to. Much as we all loved unanimously Little Lord Fauntleroy, as our hearts were won by Sara Crewe, we yet find in Judith a fascination that is irresistible. Mrs. Burnett's sympathy with the child spirit is exquisite; in Judith's little life history she tightens the very heart-strings of her readers." Philadelphia Book News. This is without doubt the most beautiful holiday book of the season. There are eight illustrations in colors, by Jessie Wilcox Smith, and exquisite page decorations, title page, end papers, etc., in pale green by William Jorden. Ask to see it at your bookseller. Cloth, large 12mo., \$1.50. McCLURE, PHILLIPS & CO., 44-60 EAST 23D ST., N. Y.

NELSON GAME, BUT BLOWS TOO WEAK

Young Dane Takes Terrible Beating and Loses Fight in Twentieth Round

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 21.—At the end of the twentieth round last night, Jimmy Britt of San Francisco and Battling Nelson of Chicago, fighting like a pair of bulldogs, the gong sounded the end of the contest and Referee Roche unhesitatingly placed his hand on the Californian as the winner of the contest. In the closing round Britt was punching the Chicago boy all over the ring, but his blows lacked sufficient force to put a quietus on his opponent. The fight was an exemplification of how much punishment a human being can endure and not succumb. At several stages of the fight Nelson was badly punished, but he always kept gamely coming up to the firing line, and all through the twentieth round he forced the fighting. In one or two instances he had the local boy in distress, but Britt's excellent generalship and the advice of his seconds saved him from going too close to the danger point. Nelson is unquestionably a wonder in the pugilistic world. Time after time, talking blows heavy enough to put out an ordinary fighter, he would come up apparently in his early form and bring the fighting to Britt.

Referee Roche announced that he gave the fight to Britt on cleaner hitting and the greater number of points scored, and a retrospect of the fight bears out the justness of his decision, although Nelson did most of the leading. Britt displayed the greater ability as a boxer and his blows were cleaner and more forceful, while a majority of the shots fired by Nelson were at close quarters. Nelson was sadly deficient in a long arm and most of his attempts to reach his opponent while both men were free were ineffectual. The house, one of the largest ever seen in San Francisco, was immense, and it is estimated the fighters divide nearly \$20,000 between them.

NEITHER BADLY PUNISHED There were to visible marks of punishment on Nelson except some slight puffings about the eyes and Britt's face was bleeding in several places from the force of the blows delivered by Nelson in the clinches.

When Britt was seen in the dressing room after the fight he had this to say: "Nelson is a great big slugger with plenty of ability in that direction, but without the knowledge of how to use it. I fought as I did to secure the championship and protect my friends' money. I am still the champion of the world, and I mean to retain it."

Nelson had this to say: "I had all the best of the fight. Britt was breaking ground and holding me continually. Referee Roche made no effort to break Britt except to give me the

worst of it. I will fight Britt again under the same conditions for \$5,000 a side, but will insist that Siler referee. I believe he is the only referee who knows when a man has lost or won. I scored the only knockdown of the fight, and had Britt running away."

The belief that Joe Gans, the colored pugilist, who recently gained the title by securing a decision over Britt on a foul, is probably unable to reduce to the lightweight limit, accentuates the fact that Britt will be looked upon as the legitimate champion of the light weight division.

No fight since the Jeffries-Fitzsimmons affair was decided has brought so many strangers to town. From faraway New York, from Philadelphia, Butte, Omaha, Seattle, Portland and Los Angeles, fight lovers were gathered in liberal numbers.

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INTERNATIONAL OFFICIALS HERE

Meet L. S. Thorne and J. W. Everman of T. and P. in Conference Here There arrived in Fort Worth last night several officials of the International and Great Northern railway from Palestine, among them General Manager Leroy Trice, his private secretary, E. B. Joyner, and D. J. Price, general passenger agent. These gentlemen were later in the day joined by General Manager L. S. Thorne, and Assistant General Manager J. W. Everman of the Texas and Pacific.

While the exact reason for the conference is not stated by Mr. Trice, it is understood that traffic affairs having to do with both roads are to be considered, especially having reference to the new fast service to be inaugurated between St. Louis and the City of Mexico, Jan. 8, the arrangements for which have been practically made.

OPENS JAN. 8 Speaking of this service, Mr. Price said to a Telegram reporter: "On Jan. 8 we expect to begin the service of two through passenger trains to Mexico City and intermediate points from St. Louis via the Iron Mountain, Texas and Pacific, and National lines of Mexico. The trains from St. Louis will connect with the National lines at Laredo. The equipment will be specially selected for a strictly first-class service, which is to be established and maintained, and it is believed this new service will greatly increase the movement of passenger traffic to and from the republic. This will not only give two daily trains from St. Louis, but from Fort Worth as well. The 7:30 a. m. and 3:40 p. m. trains out of Fort

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THE MARKETS

NORTH FORT WORTH, Dec. 21.—The feature of today's live stock market was the heavy run of hogs, total receipts being the largest ever recorded here.

In the cattle pens there was no top stuff, the supply being mostly feeders. The market was slow, but steady, with the balance of the week.

Calves were a little weaker, but the demand was weaker.

In the hog market, prices for good fed stuff were 5c higher despite the fact that northern markets were 5c lower. Prices on light hogs were steady. Quotations on mast fed hogs, of which there were fully 1,500 on hand, were 10c to 15c lower.

TODAY'S RECEIPTS

Cattle 3,900
Hogs 2,500

TOP PRICES TODAY

Steers \$3.50
Cows 2.90
Heifers 2.25
Bulls 2.25
Calves 3.75
Hogs 4.70

FOREIGN MARKETS

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK
CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—Cattle—Receipts, 17,000; market opened strong; beefs, \$3.75@7.25; cows and heifers, \$1.50@4.35; stockers and feeders, \$2.50@4.10.

Hogs—Receipts, 42,000; market opened steady to easy and closed 5c to 10c lower; mixed and butchers, \$4.45@4.82 1/2; good to choice heavy, \$4.55@4.67 1/2; rough heavy, \$4.25@4.40; light, \$4.40@4.45; bulk, \$4.50@4.60; pigs, \$3.50@4.10. Estimated receipts tomorrow, 38,000.

Sheep—Receipts, 20,000; market steady; sheep, \$3.60@5; lambs, \$4.50@7.

KANSAS CITY LIVE STOCK
KANSAS CITY, Dec. 21.—Cattle—Receipts, 4,000; market steady; beefs, \$3.25@5.25; cows and heifers, \$1.25@4.25; stockers and feeders, \$2@4.10; Texas and westerns, \$2@5.50.

Hogs—Receipts, 12,000; market steady; mixed and butchers, \$4.45@4.80; good to choice heavy, \$4.60@4.70; rough heavy, \$4.50@4.60; light, \$4.25@4.30; bulk, \$4.40@4.60; pigs, \$3.50@4.10.

Sheep—Receipts, 3,000; market steady; lambs, \$5@6.50; ewes, \$3.50@4.50; wethers, \$4@5.

ST. LOUIS LIVE STOCK
ST. LOUIS, Dec. 21.—Cattle—Receipts, 2,500, including 500 Texans; market steady and strong; steers, \$3@6.50; stockers and feeders, \$2@4.75; Texas steers, \$2@4.30; cows and heifers, \$1.75@3.25.

Hogs—Receipts, 10,000; market steady to easy; pigs and hogs, \$3.75@4.30; packers, \$4.50@4.60; butchers, \$4.60@4.70.

Sheep—Receipts, 2,000; market steady; sheep, \$3.75@4.50; lambs, \$4.35@6.60.

The Fort Worth Horse and Mule Company announce that they will hold a big special sale to open the 1905 season, beginning Jan. 2 to 7. All classes of fat, broken horses and mares will be in good demand, but no broncos or broom-tails can be accommodated. Messrs. Hickmatt and Anson have made a big success of these sales during the last year, as the yearling receipts will show, and it is established beyond doubt that merchantable stock of the desirable kind will bring more on the Fort Worth horse and mule market than on any other market in the country.

COTTON

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—We had a very irregular and unsettled market today with trading much mixed and sharp and frequent fluctuations and a good many operators getting whiplashed in trying to catch the turn. The influences were of a very conflicting character and tended to upset calculations on the immediate course of prices. We received lengthy cables from our Liverpool correspondents to the effect that liquidation had been through there and that the market had been heavily

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FUTURES

NEW ORLEANS FUTURES
(By Private Wire to M. H. Thomas & Co.)
NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 21.—The market in cotton futures was steady. The following is the range in quotations: Open. High. Low. Close.
December 7.08 7.24 7.06 7.18
January 7.18 7.26 7.05 7.18-19
March 7.35 7.41 7.20 7.34-36
May 7.49 7.53 7.30 7.45-46
July 7.68 7.63 7.43 7.56

NEW YORK FUTURES
(By Private Wire to M. H. Thomas & Co.)
NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—The market in cotton was barely steady. Following is the range in quotations: Open. High. Low. Close.
December 7.24 7.24 7.12 7.22-24
January 7.22 7.33 7.12 7.26-28
March 7.43 7.51 7.30 7.45-46
May 7.55 7.62 7.40 7.56-57
July 7.69 7.72 7.51 7.67-69
August 7.71 7.71 7.53 7.66-69

GRAINS

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISIONS
(By Private Wire to M. H. Thomas & Co.)
CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—The grain and provision markets ranged in prices today as follows:
Wheat—Open. High. Low. Close.
December 1.11 1.13 1.11 1.13 1/2
January 1.10 1.12 1.08 1.10 1/2
July 98 1/2 98 1/2 98 1/2 98 1/2
Corn—
December 45 1/2 47 1/2 45 1/2 46 1/2
January 45 1/2 45 1/2 45 1/2 45 1/2
July 45 1/2 45 1/2 45 1/2 45 1/2

LIVERPOOL COTTON
(By Private Wire to M. H. Thomas & Co.)
LIVERPOOL, Dec. 21.—The spot cotton market was easier in tone, with middling quoted at 4.65d. Sales 7,000 bales. Receipts 37,000 bales, of which 36,400 were American.
The range in prices for futures follows:
Saturdays' Close. Close.
Dec.-January 3.97 3.97
Jan.-Feb. 3.97-4.01-3.97 4.01 3.97
Feb.-March 4.01-05-02-05 4.05 4.05
Mar.-April 4.05-09-10-11 4.08 4.09
Apr.-May 4.12-13-14 4.14 4.15
May-June 4.15-16-17 4.17 4.17
June-July 4.18-19 4.20 4.19
July-Aug. 4.18-19 4.19 4.18
Aug.-Sept. 4.16 4.16
Sept.-Oct. 3.95-96-97-96 3.97 3.97
Nov.-Dec. 3.97 3.97

STOCKS

NEW YORK STOCKS
(By Private Wire to M. H. Thomas & Co.)
NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Stocks opened and closed today on the New York Stock Exchange as follows: Open. Close.
Missouri Pacific 109 108 1/2
Union Pacific 111 110
Southern Pacific 64 1/2 63
New York Central 141 1/2 140
Louisville and Nashville 141 139 1/2
St. Paul 120 119 1/2
Texas and Pacific 54 1/2 54
Atchafalpa 55 1/2 55
Atchafalpa pd 103 1/2 103 1/2
Erie 37 1/2 36 1/2
Baltimore and Ohio 97 1/2 96 1/2
Southern Railway 25 1/2 25 1/2
Mobile 79 77 1/2
Great Western 22 1/2 22 1/2
Rock Island 33 1/2 33 1/2
M. K. and T. pd. 63 63
M. K. and T. 31 1/2 30 1/2
Pennsylvania 137 1/2 136 1/2
Colorado Fuel and Iron 46 1/2 45 1/2
Western Union 92 1/2 92 1/2
Tennessee Coal and Iron 72 70 1/2
Manhattan L. 162 162
Metropolitan 122 1/2 121 1/2
United States Steel 23 1/2 23 1/2
United States Steel, pd. 97 1/2 97 1/2
Reading 142 141 1/2
Brooklyn Rapid Transit 61 1/2 59 1/2
United States Leather 14 1/2 14 1/2
People's Gas 107 106
Amalgamated Copper 67 1/2 65 1/2
Mexican Central 20 1/2 20 1/2

SPOTS

NEW ORLEANS SPOTS
(By Private Wire to M. H. Thomas & Co.)
NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 21.—The spot cotton market was easy today. Prices and receipts were as follows:
Today, Saturday.
Middling 7 1/2 7 1/2
Fair 6 1/2 6 1/2
P. o. b. 3.80 3.80

NEW YORK SPOTS
(By Private Wire to M. H. Thomas & Co.)
NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—The spot cotton market was dull today. Prices and receipts were quoted as follows:
Today, Saturday.
Middling 7.40 7.40
Sales 36

MARKET TIPS

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—It is the general belief that the market is heavily overstocked. The European market is a half higher, as expected.

REPUBLICANS OF NEW YORK STATE SPLIT IN PARTY

Keen Interest Taken in Outcome of Meeting Called in New York Today by Senator Platt in Interests of Depew

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Politicians gathered early today at the Fifth Avenue hotel for a conference called by Senator Platt in the interest of Chauncey M. Depew's candidacy for re-election to the United States senate. Of the hundred men invited it was said seventy-five had indicated their intention to be present. Keen interest is felt in today's meeting, because of the belief that it will show just who of the state leaders will stand with Platt in his fight for Depew. It is felt that Mr. Platt's statement last night to the effect that "it is now a fight to a finish" and that "every one must line up" would force many leaders who have expressed themselves as friendly to both Senator Depew and Governor Odell to take sides.

This kind of a line up is what many of the prominent republicans of the state have desired to avoid for more than a year past. Many men who are on good terms with the governor and have had pleasant relations with Mr. Platt throughout his long term as a state leader hesitate to do anything that might offend either in the event that it comes to that, it is feared may involve the organization in the entire state.

About fifty or seventy-five republicans of various sections of the state, notably political friends of Senators Platt and Depew, were here in the corridor of the hotel just before conference began.

Included in the number were former Lieut. Governor Timothy Woodruff, Congressman Seneca A. Payne of Auburn, J. E. Merrill, formerly of Lockport, N. Y., now postmaster at Washington, D. C., Congressman John W. Dwight of Tompkins county, James S. Clarkson, surveyor of the port, and Hamilton Fish, assistant United States treasurer. The meeting was called to order by Senator Platt.

MASONIC NOTICE

Fort Worth Lodge No. 148, A. F. & A. M., will confer in the Entered Apprentice and Master degrees tonight, beginning at 8:30 sharp. All Masons are cordially invited. ELMER RENFRO, Worshipful Master. W. H. FIELD, Secretary.

CITY BRIEFS

Queen Quality Starch. All Grocers. Crouch Hardware Co., 1067 Main St. Cut flowers at Drumm's. Phone 101. Boaz's Book Store, 402 Main street. For a fine overcoat at a low price, go to Friedman, 212 Main street. J. W. Adams & Co., feed, produce, fuel and fat kindling. Phone 530. Brown & Vera have moved to 1103 Main, between Tenth and Eleventh. Good kindling at the Rock Island Coal Company. Curran's Laundry, 6th and Burnett sts. Both phones 37. Picture frames and wall paper at Brown & Vera's, 1108 Main street. It will always be found a little better and perhaps a little cheaper at the William Henry & R. E. Bell Hardware Co., 1615-17 Main. Wholesale new crop. We have them at prices prepared for Christmas and New Year.

If you are looking for anything or any place see our Read Reference Directory on Classified page and you will find it there.

In everybody's mouth. Eagle Bread. For sale by all grocers. List your property with us; let us collect your rents. Hubbard Bros. Unredeemed ladies' and gents' watches for sale at half price at Friedman's, 212 Main street, the reliable pawnbroker. Modern Steam Laundry, headquarters for high-grade Christmas work. Both phones, 187. Fort Worth.

Don't fail to procure one of these handsome china jugs given free with 50c worth of Tea, Coffee, Spices, Extracts or Baking Powder. All week at The Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company, 509 Houston street. Ira Webster of Channing is in the city. W. R. Francis, member of the building committee of the Odd Fellows, announces that award of the contract for the new structure at Second and Throckmorton streets will be made Monday morning. Building permits have been issued by City Engineer Hawley to John D. Kane to erect three one-story five-room frame dwellings at the southwest corner of block 41, Jennings south addition at a cost of \$1,000 each, and to W. R. Francis to erect a brick warehouse on Rusk street between Ninth and Tenth streets at a cost of \$2,000. Today is the shortest day in the year. Our Pecans are new crop; no old ones. Crowds Bros. Mr. Rockefeller can not buy for his table any better food products than you can buy—and fully afford to buy—at this time. The reason is that there is no better to be had. H. H. Pitman, 413-415 Main street. Only a few more days until Christmas.

WORST OF ALL EXPERIENCES
Can anything be worse than to feel that every minute will be your last? Such was the experience of Mrs. S. H. Newson, Decatur, Ala. "For three months," she writes, "I endured insufferable pain from indigestion, stomach and bowel trouble. Death seemed inevitable when doctors and all remedies failed. At length I was induced to try Electric Bitters and the result was miraculous. I improved at once and now I'm completely recovered." For Liver, Kidney, Stomach and Bowel troubles, Electric Bitters is the only medicine. Only 50c. It's guaranteed. Matt S. Blanton & Co. Reeves Pharmacy and W. J. Fisher, Druggists.

is here. Have you made arrangements for your currants, raisins, citron and nuts? Come to us and you will be sure of getting fresh goods. H. H. Pitman, 413-415 Main street.

See Mrs. C. M. Ford at Brown & Vera's for fine hand painted pictures. Menu cards, scores made to order.

Go to headquarters for Christmas candles, only 15 cents per pound. Fort Worth Candy Kitchen.

J. M. Brantley of Farmersville, La., a cotton planter, is expected to arrive in Fort Worth this week to spend the holidays with his sons, J. T. and J. S. Brantley.

J. A. Shepard, 109 South Boaz street, will leave Sunday for Gilam, Ark., to visit with his parents.

John Luther, state penitentiary agent, reached Fort Worth Tuesday night on his way of convicts to the farms in eastern Texas. He met here Sheriffs Dave Bratton of Parker and R. Sudding of Hood counties.

Sheriff C. C. Cunningham of Abilene, Taylor county, was in Fort Worth Tuesday.

Ten bids were received Tuesday evening for the construction of the new Odd Fellows' building. Several of the bids were so close together that a decision as to the award has been postponed.

The regular midweek prayer meeting will be held in the Memorial room of the Christian Tabernacle this evening at 7:30 o'clock. "The Title is the Lord's" will be discussed, with Mrs. Walden as leader.

The merchant who believes that "nobody will notice" that he is retrenching in his advertising is at least as wise as the ostrich who hides his head in the sand, in full confidence that he has eluded the hunter. Why not increase your space in The Telegram?

Turkeys for Christmas, alive and dressed. Large quantities to select from. Crowds Bros.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Irwin have gone on a visit to friends in Alabama.

It is reported Swift and Armour will soon begin the erection of a factory for the manufacture of car wheels and axles.

F. M. Weaver and a party of friends are the guests of Jot Gunter on his ranch near San Antonio, where they will spend the holidays on a deer hunt.

Professor A. C. Hurt of the chair of ancient languages at Polytechnic college will spend the holidays with his parents in North Carolina.

George H. Green of Dallas, United States marshal for this district, is in the city today attending the district court.

T. A. Weathered of Hillsboro was in Fort Worth this morning on business.

R. B. Fryon, the land agent of the Rock Island at Sweetwater, is in Fort Worth.

Judge J. W. Hill of San Angelo is in the city today attending the United States district court.

Judge Jenkins of Brownwood is in the city attending court.

J. W. Golden of Floyd county, a stock dealer, this morning filed with the clerk of the United States district court a voluntary petition in bankruptcy. He gave assets of \$4,831.75, with exemptions of \$1,215 and liabilities of \$3,515.35.

The case of Oscar Smith vs. George Wilson, equity, is occupying the attention of the United States district court today. The case was transferred from the San Angelo district for argument.

Pecans for Christmas or New Year's presents. New crop. Wholesale prices. Send them to your friends. Crowds Bros.

Today at noon workmen on the Texas and Pacific station roof completed the work of laying the eaves and the roof is now secure against rain. The work of fitting up the offices will now be attended to and rushed so they can again be occupied at an early date.

F. H. Sheppard of Graham is in the city today.

V. Law of Big Springs is a caller in Fort Worth this afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Ford are in the city from Brownwood.

J. M. DeMoss of the state of Chaps. Mexico, passed through Fort Worth today on his way to Kansas City to spend Christmas with his family. He is employed as a track foreman on the new Pan-American roadbed being built in the western part of Mexico.

Turkeys by the thousands. We will have them all week, any size, dead or alive. Crowds Bros.

The regular monthly meeting of the Sunday school institute of the Tarrant County Baptist association is in session at the First Baptist church. The meetings are being well attended, among those present being Dr. J. E. Wainwright, Dallas and Rev. W. H. English, state Sunday school workers, and Rev. J. W. English, state representative of the B. Y. P. U. The closing session tonight will be addressed by Rev. English on "The Demands of Discipleship," at the B. Y. P. U. on "The Necessity of the Sunday School."

Colonel and Mrs. Mayfield of the Christian Volunteers announce that the work of preparation for the Christmas tree for the poor is progressing nicely. They request that those making good gifts bring them in at once to facilitate arrangements. Articles should be left at 1311 Houston street, for older persons will be distributed. Toys for children and food and clothing for older persons will be distributed.

Members of the First Baptist church, corner Third and Taylor streets, are to have a novel form of Christmas entertainment at 11 o'clock on Saturday night. As in former years, they are to have a free will offering of groceries, clothing, etc., for the poor of Fort Worth. A committee is to be at the church all day Friday to receive the gifts and on Saturday distribute them about the city.

THE DAYLIGHT STORE

105 Cloaks--For Christmas Presents

We have just received by express 105 Coats, every one representing the very latest models in three-quarter lengths, which we will offer for tomorrow at **ONE-THIRD OFF MANUFACTURERS' PRICES**. The lot consists of the handsomest selection of choice outer garments that has ever been displayed in the Southwest. Prices for tomorrow—

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We have on display a magnificent assortment of beautiful Sofa Pillows and Cushions—suitable for Xmas presents, with exquisite satin and plush tops, of real worth and beauty, or made in heavy Oriental tapestries—lending a charming air to a cozy nook or corner. Either style attractively trimmed in dainty ruffles, cords, etc.—an assortment so varied as to be sure to please any one's fancy; for tomorrow, at 33 1-3 per cent off regular prices.

- Fancy Hose—Extra quality, wide range of patterns, black or white split foot 25¢ and 50¢
- Beautiful Four-in-hand Ties—Regular price fifty and seventy-five cents; tomorrow 25¢ and 50¢
- Elegant Quality Silk Handkerchiefs, with dainty initial—a real bargain for tomorrow only 25¢ and 50¢

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LOW PRICINGS THURSDAY
Heavy Silk Mufflers—Something a man will like—good quality silk 50¢ to \$1.50
Gloves That Fit the Hand—There's a heap in that; either woolen, jersey or kid; for tomorrow 50¢ to \$1.25

Buy the Boy a Pair of Fur Top Kid Gloves Saturday, 75c Pair

COTTON RAISERS' HEADS CONFER

A meeting of the executive committee of the National Co-operative Cotton Raisers' Association formed at the recent ball weevil convention at Shreveport, is in session this afternoon, having been called to order by President Peters in the office of Oswald Wilson, statistical agent of the department of agriculture, at 2 o'clock.

As President Peters explained this morning, the object of the present meeting is to outline the plans for the work of the organization, including the matter of securing finances for the proper maintenance of the work.

"As yet," he said, "our ideas are only general and by getting together and exchanging views we hope to get things into tangible shape for definite action."

The general idea, he announced, is to secure the organization of the farmers in such a way that they may keep in touch with one another and work harmoniously along cultural and diversification lines and those looking to the reducing of production.

RECENT FARMERS' MEETINGS
When asked in regard to the meetings advocating the reduction of acreage and the holding over of portions of this year's crop, Colonel Peters declared he had not yet been able to read all the reports sent in by the various meetings, but was convinced that the movement was practically universal. Although not advocating waiting for fancy prices, he favors a system of gradual marketing as best serving to maintain fair prices.

He spoke enthusiastically this morning of the cotton situation in the Panhandle and the future it holds for Fort Worth, the natural gateway of that section. He also announced the promised visit to Texas in the near future of Governor Vardaman of Mississippi, and a party of cotton growers of that state.

Stanley H. Watson of Houston, Colonel Peters and Oswald Wilson were the only members of the committee who were in the city this morning, the others being expected to arrive shortly after noon.

Rooms and board for two couples, modern conveniences, in private family; references exchanged. Apply northwest corner First and Royal avenue.

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Appropriate Xmas Presents at the Daylight Store.

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Word was received here this morning by a brother of the death at Greenville, Texas, of D. M. Haley, who was well known over North Texas as a balloon ascensionist. According to the message received, his remains were found in the Katy yards at that place this morning.

DRIVEN TO DESPERATION
Living at an out of the way place, remote from civilization, a family is often driven to desperation in case of accident, resulting in Burns, Cuts, Wounds, Ulcers, etc. Lay in a supply of Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It's the best on earth. 25c at Matt S. Blanton & Co., Reeves Pharmacy and W. J. Fisher's Drug Stores.

Holiday Prices

About 75 pairs of Ladies' heavy button Shoes, solid leather, well made, cap and plain toe; Shoes that sold for \$1.00 and \$1.25; holiday price, per pair.....48¢

About 100 pairs Ladies' Vici Kid Lace Shoes, patent and stock tip, solid leather; Shoes that sold for \$1.35 and \$1.50; special holiday price, per pair.....94¢

About 250 pairs Ladies' French Vici Kid Shoes, made by Huiskamp Bros.; every pair guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction; special holiday price.....\$1.42

Huiskamp's popular Kid Shoes for ladies—a specially good, comfortable shoe; excellent fitters—no shoddy in them, and best shoes ever made for the money.

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Greenwall's Opera House

Tonight at 8:15. Engagement of America's Foremost Shakespearean Actor. **JOSEPH DE GRASSE** and his excellent acting company, presenting *Matinee—"The Merchant of Venice."* Mr. De Grasse as Shylock. *Night—"Hamlet."* Mr. De Grasse as Hamlet. No advance in prices.

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The best singing cast and chorus in America. Twenty-four melodious musical numbers, two carols of scenery. Fortune in costumes. *Matinee, Prices—Lower Floor \$1, 75c. Balcony 50c.* *Night Prices—Lower Floor \$1.50, \$1. Balcony 75c, 50c. Gallery 25c.* *Friday Matinee and Night, Dec. 23. "A MESSAGE FROM MARS"*

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MANY CHILDREN PLACED

Rev. I. Z. T. Morris Makes Report of Work Done During Past Year and Asks Aid

Rev. I. Z. T. Morris, superintendent of the Texas Children's Home and Aid Society, has issued circular letters for the Christmas season as follows:

"For seven years I have been engaged in finding homes for the dependent children of Texas.

"With the close of this year I find four hundred and twelve children have been placed in good homes by our plan. All orphan homes and other benevolent work have either some church, county or state to look to for a support. We depend entirely upon donations. Thus far, in this way, the demands upon us have been met, and our only regret is, sometimes for the want of funds we have been unable to place some children reported to us. I send this appeal to you, hoping to interest you in the work.

If you wish to engage in the work, you can do so, not necessarily taking a child, either temporarily or permanently; but if you contribute any amount, you thus engage in the work. In investigating places to make your Christmas donations, I do not think you can find a more worthy and appreciative work. Think of saving a

THAT THROBBING HEADACHE

Would quickly leave you if you used Dr. King's New Life Pills. Thousands of sufferers have proved their matchless merit for Sick and Nervous Headaches. They make pure blood and build up your health. Only 25 cents, money back if not cured. Sold by Matt S. Blanton & Co. Reeves Pharmacy and W. J. Fisher, Druggists.

child from want and ignorance annually! What better can you do than to give a child a new name, in a new home, with a new life? Hoping to enroll your name as a monthly, quarterly, or annual contributor, and thanking you in the name of the homeless children of Texas, I remain, "Your brother,"

"REV. I. Z. T. MORRIS." Accompanying the letter is a circular detailing the work, and naming eighty-three counties in the state in which friendless children have been placed in good homes.

CITIZENS PLAN AMENDMENTS TO CITY'S CHARTER

Improvements in the Present Method of Municipal Government Proposed at Meeting in Board of Trade Rooms

There was a representative gathering of citizens at the Board of Trade rooms Tuesday night to discuss city charter amendments. Among them were: Mayor T. J. Powell, Colonel R. M. Wynne, Former County Judge M. B. Harris, W. C. Stripling, Albert J. Baskin, L. M. Whitsett, Duke Goodman, B. P. Paddock, secretary of the Board of Trade; Zane Cetti, J. E. Weeden, Paul Waples, Bascom Dunn, G. C. Mountcastle, J. C. Scott, J. B. Burnside, W. L. Ferris, William M. Rea, J. H. Savers, T. J. Dooley, F. P. Harvey, Dr. J. L. Cooper, Charles W. Cruce and several others.

Captain Paddock called the meeting to order and said it was the result of a movement begun about a month ago. Paul Waples was chosen chairman and Professor W. L. Ferris secretary.

MAYOR POWELL EXPLAINS Mayor Powell was called on to state the object of the meeting, and read his views on the subject published on Dec. 11. He thought the right of final action should be taken away from the council and be vested in the hands of the citizens of Fort Worth. He was in favor of a referendum vote, and said he did not favor the city giving away valuable franchises, as has been the method employed heretofore. He also favored a city being able to regulate the charges of corporations as does the Texas railway commission regulate the charges of railways of the state. He said Fort Worth should build a charter in the interest of the people instead of in the interest of officeholders. The final power should not be left with the city council, but in the hands of the people. In the experience of Fort Worth when the city had control of the charges of public utilities it has been in the interest of the people.

Mayor Powell said he did not believe the power in the city council should be such as to allow this body to buy lands without a final vote of the whole people. He believed just as good a dermen could be elected by a vote of the people as when they are elected from various wards, but his desire is to take from the council the power to do things they should not do. He was in favor of all city officers being elected at one and the same time and that the heads of offices be elected by a direct vote of the people. This last expression was in reply to a query made by Sam Davidson. He thought all executive governing power should be placed in the hands of a commission.

Colonel Wynne proposed what Mayor Powell said and thought he was correct in all his propositions. He favored revenues to the city from public utilities. The colonel then offered a political view and said the threatened curse, if not an existing one, is municipal ownership. The great purpose ought to be for an officer to provide the people rather than tickle his friend to get a better job. He offered the following resolution as a means to rid Fort Worth of practical politics.

COLONEL WYNNE'S RESOLUTION Resolved, that in the sense of this meeting of the citizens and tax payers of Fort Worth that the city charter of the city of Fort Worth should be so amended as that the city council should consist of nine members who, with the mayor, shall be elected by the city at large, and should hold for four years, and should be eligible to re-election—or to hold any city office for four years next after the expiration of the term of office.

That all officers of this city should be elected by the people. Colonel Wynne did not charge there were practical politics in Fort Worth, but were practical politics where some officials held office who could not be elected by the sovereign vote of the people of Fort Worth. If you elect officers at large you destroy all combinations in politics.

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"From the present indications," continued the official, "there is bound to be some delay in delivering all the letters, packages and parcels, which will be sent so people can receive them on Christmas day. Our force has been increased by two extra clerks in the registry department and in all the other departments the clerks and carriers are working overtime, but with all this we will be unable to handle the unprecedented business, if it keeps on coming at the present rate. We can only ask the public to be as lenient as possible with the department, and we will do the very best possible. To accommodate the large numbers who wish stamps and to register packages, the money order department is handling a part of this business at that window. Much trouble is caused by the sending of letters, packages and bundles incorrectly addressing them. This causes unnecessary delay.

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"Never, since my connection with the postoffice, has the rush been as heavy as this year," said Assistant Postmaster C. W. McKee to a Telegram reporter this morning, and from present indications the increase in receipts for December this year will exceed that of last year by nearly \$4,000. In 1903 the receipts for December were \$11,684. This year we have already passed that mark and the busiest part of the month is just at hand. It will undoubtedly go to the \$15,000 mark and probably beyond that. Great numbers of packages are coming in and bundles of all kinds as well, besides the many money orders and the other business. The rush is something terrific and is certainly an indication of the extraordinary prosperity that abounds throughout the entire south.

"From the present indications," continued the official, "there is bound to be some delay in delivering all the letters, packages and parcels, which will be sent so people can receive them on Christmas day. Our force has been increased by two extra clerks in the registry department and in all the other departments the clerks and carriers are working overtime, but with all this we will be unable to handle the unprecedented business, if it keeps on coming at the present rate. We can only ask the public to be as lenient as possible with the department, and we will do the very best possible. To accommodate the large numbers who wish stamps and to register packages, the money order department is handling a part of this business at that window. Much trouble is caused by the sending of letters, packages and bundles incorrectly addressing them. This causes unnecessary delay.

FILES VALLEY SUCCESSFUL

Members of Presbyterian Board Decide to Locate New Home and School for Orphans There

they will never come," said the judge. He said that in Georgia and other southern states where the plan had been tried it worked admirably and brought many factories. He said the system would do the same thing for Texas, and he wanted to see it tried. His idea was that when these factories become self-sustaining and can be run at a profit then they can begin paying taxes. This system, he said, would bring to the city and state more taxable property in ten years than can be secured from any other system in twenty years.

He said that when a city puts a 3 per cent tax on this character of enterprises it shuts out factories.

WOULD REDUCE COUNCIL Referring to city affairs, he said he was in favor of reducing the aldermanic representation in Fort Worth to a mayor and either three or four councilmen. "Rotation in public office is protection to the public," said the judge. He said that if this were done instead of Galveston being the banner town as to government affairs, it would be Fort Worth. "I have faith in the people and believe they would elect the proper officials," said Judge Harris.

He favored cutting off all unnecessary expenses of the city and spend more money on street improvements. He wants the city put in position so it can pave the streets without individuals being compelled to do this work. He thought that under the system suggested it would not be longer than five years until Fort Worth would be on a "paying basis."

JUDGE SCOTT ASKS COMMITTEE Judge C. Scott next discussed city affairs. He upheld the officials and said there was no excuse for a citizen not being able to read his water meter correctly.

In order to get matters properly before the meeting he moved the committee of five be named to digest the various charter amendments offered and submit them in tangible form to a subsequent meeting to be held next Tuesday night.

The committee named is: Chairman, Paul Waples; J. C. Scott, B. P. Paddock, G. C. Mountcastle, Zane Cetti and W. L. Ferris, the two latter representing the citizens' club and the civic league.

WOULD ABOLISH WARDS Mr. Mountcastle, discussing the matter, said he believed it would be a "rotating" to wipe out every ward in the city and adopt a government by commission similar to that at Galveston. He was opposed to officials receiving courtesies from corporations, and wanted to see the system taken away with all the extra pay. Captain Paddock was the last to discuss the propositions. He was opposed to the people at large electing heads of departments, and gave his reasons—citing some half dozen incidents where officials were elected in Fort Worth by popular vote. As a result, he said, there had been defalcations and malfeasance in office and that such officers have not been seen in Fort Worth since. His idea was that the best way for the mayor to appoint the heads of departments with a confirmation by the council, and then hold the mayor responsible for the official acts of such appointees.

Captain Paddock wanted a law that would prevent the councilmen from trading their votes. He wanted the work inaugurated for charter amendments kept up; he favored looking after new franchises and the extension of old ones, and advised that hereafter the city should be paid for such privileges. Captain Paddock then introduced the following resolutions, seeking additional amendments to the city charter:

CAPT. PADDOCK FAVORS PARKS Resolving that the city should be amended so as to provide for the levy and collection of a special tax not to exceed 5 cents on the \$100 valuation, to be used exclusively for the purpose of providing and maintaining a system of city parks in each of the several wards of the city.

Resolved: That the charter of the city of Fort Worth be amended so as to provide for taxing districts for public improvements.

The meeting then adjourned to reconvene next Tuesday night.

"BIRD AND BEE MAN" TALKS Colonel Isaac W. Brown Addresses Polytechnic Students

An interesting talk devoted mostly to a discussion of quail was delivered at Polytechnic College Tuesday morning by Colonel Isaac Brown, the "Bird and Bee Man," who is employed by Miss Helen Gould to tour the country, instructing children as to the uses and habits of songsters and insects. All members of the institution attended the lecture. Following the lecture Colonel Brown met a number of the pupils and the members of the faculty.

GOV. SPARKS COMING TO TEXAS GEORGETOWN, Texas, Dec. 21.—Captain B. A. Strange received a telegram today from Governor John Sparks of Nevada, a former citizen of Georgetown, and who owns a residence here, that he was just leaving for Texas and would spend Christmas with old-time friends.

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Files Valley, Hill county, was decided upon as the location for the Texas Presbyterian home and school for orphans at the meeting of the board of trustees held in this city Tuesday afternoon.

A number of offers of land and money for the location of the home were submitted to the board, the citizens of Files Valley offering a tract of 243 acres of black land and a money contribution of \$3,000. Among the other cities making offers for the home were Arlington and Tyler.

The site as selected is an exceptionally fine one. The ground for building purposes is attractive and healthful and the home will be placed in the most populous part of the state, within easy reach of this city, Dallas, Waxahachie, Cleburne and the group of prosperous towns visible from the site on a clear day.

Rev. W. F. Pierce, pastor of the Files church, was made temporary superintendent of the home until the full meeting of the synod. The executive committee, composed of Rev. J. O. Reavis, Rev. J. B. French and A. F. Hardie, was authorized to secure a charter at once and obtain building plans.

Members of the board present at the meeting were: Rev. James O. Reavis, Dallas; Rev. J. O. Reavis

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3—WAR HELMET OF A GREAT MANCHURIAN MONARCH SURMOUNTED BY A PEARL THE SIZE OF A PIGEON'S EGG.



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BY DOUGLAS STORY
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MUKDEN, Manchuria, Nov. 15.—China is a curious country in which the houses of the living are built to meet the dimensions of the mansions of the dead. All wood in China is cut into coffin lengths, with the consequence that Chinese roof poles, doors and windows all bear a fixed proportion to the accustomed length of a sarcophagus. What is true of the individual houses is true of the village and the town. The one sacred spot is the graveyard, and the convenience of the living is wholly sacrificed to the sanctity of the dead. Mukden owes its importance to its being the guardian city over the tombs of the founders of the Manchu dynasty. Originally a stone-walled city of about a mile across, standing four-square to the compass, it has stretched outward

on all four sides to a mud wall some mile-and-a-half beyond the ancient city gates. Gradually there is growing up around and outside of that mud-wall a third suburb of houses. This outermost fringe points principally towards the railway station and the houses of the administration—the Forbidden City of the Russians. From the Western Gate to the railway station is a distance of some 3,000 yards. Here, in little stone-built houses are installed the officers of the commander-in-chief's general staff. The houses are small and ugly and comfortable; cold in winter, stiflingly hot in summer. General Kuropatkin himself lives in a railway car on a siding. Here are all the tidings of the active army at the front—galloping orders and creaking gun trains, weary ambulance men and tortured wounded battalions—all the horrid carnival of the war demons.

In the city proper a very different scene maintains. The building of greatest importance is the wide-stretched imperial palace, roofed with the glazed tiles of imperial yellow. The palace covers about one-fourth of the entire area of the city of Mukden. It consists of great courtyards, flanked by treasure houses fast falling into ruin. In it is the library where rumor states the most magnificent collection of books in existence is placed.

One trembles at the thought of the destruction which may be created by a single shell when once the armies meet in the sacred city of Mukden. Never since the burning of the library at Alexandria has such a world treasure lain open to the hands of the vandals.

In the palace lies great treasure. Whenever a Manchu emperor of China has died his personal effects have been stored in this palace at Mukden. There are to be found, carefully stored away in locked and sealed receptacles, the garments and the jewelry, the war helmets and the weapons of the dead emperors of China since even a Manchu sat upon the throne in Peking.

The most magnificent pearls ever I have seen in my life lie in the treasure house of Mukden. One string of 110 pearls has not one jewel smaller than a hazel nut. The pearl surmounting the

war helmet of one of the dead monarchs is larger than a pigeon's egg. Not only are there pearls, the favorite jewels of the Orient, but there are sapphires and rubies and diamonds of rare water and enormous size. The wealth of magnificent silks and gorgeously embroidered gowns lying in the palace of Mukden is beyond the calculation of the westerner. Hand-painted silks and scrolls, worked by the greatest Oriental artists of the ages, are stuffed away in camphor boxes and in rude cupboards, sealed with the paper labels bearing the sign manual of the viceroy of Manchuria.

The collection of arms dates from the primeval bows and arrows of the old-time monarchs to the most modern fowling pieces of yesterday. Strange lances and curious arquebuses lie side by side with rifles and revolvers. One whole house is given to those weapons of the departed. Another contains furs of inestimable value. In cupboards are hundreds of cunningly worked specimens of brass—vases and incense burners and jewel boxes—measuring the advance of the artisan over a cycle of 2,000 years in Cathay.

In the art museum are to be found the signatures of all the great writers of China, beautiful landscapes and strange portrait albums of the statesmen of the Orient. One crude presentation of a duck is the solitary contribution from the brush of the present emperor in Peking.

The dainty pictures of the dowager empress repose beside the work of professional artists and bear comparison with the best.

There is a vast store of the most perfect specimens of porcelain and china this world anywhere can show. Eggshell cups, fragile as cobwebs, lie in cunningly constructed Chinese boxes alongside hawthorn ware and "sang de boeuf" vases that would bring a ransom in Peking.

Everywhere in the imperial palace of Mukden is evidence of the culture of the Chinese, proof of their remarkable devotion to the relics of the dead.

All of this untold treasure lies at the disposition of a single bursting shell. Should a projectile hit one of those storehouses of vast riches the whole world will be the loser, and neither combatant will have gained an atom of advantage.

MUKDEN TRANSFORMED BUSINESS NOW THRIVING

Check in Russian Retreat Causes Citizens to Take Courage and City Resumes Normal Conditions
(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)
MUKDEN, Nov. 21.—A month back the natives of Mukden were on the verge of panic. The Russians were retreating from Liao Yang and, so the story went, were not going to stop short of Tieling or Harbin. Every one who had the means either left the city or prepared to do so. What provisions there were rose to famine prices. Private vehicles disappeared from the streets and the Chinese wheeled carts that serve as droskys, vanished. Shutters were up on many of the stores and the whole place looked like a city to be abandoned to the enemy. Today Mukden is as thriving as it ever was, if not more so. The Russians are fortified thirteen miles to the south on a line that every one believes the Japanese can neither break nor turn. The city has opened up again like a Jericho rose thrown into a bowl of water, and life is going on as smoothly as if there were not two big armies at quarters close enough for us to hear every big gun that is fired. The shops are open and doing a thriving trade, not only in the necessities of life, but luxuries as well. Furs are in the greatest demand. In the big shops one can find skins of seal and tigers, otter and bear, and the thousand and one other varieties that the Chinese work into overcoats, shubas, gloves and capes. Silks, stiff with embroidery in gold and silver, find ready purchasers and old and rare bits of bronze, chinaware and jewel work that disappeared so mysteriously when the city was thought to be threatened are again displayed for sale.

Native cabs are again seen on the streets and soldiers on duty at the street crossings direct the busy traffic like the police on the Nevsky Prospect in St. Petersburg. Although the fear of war and hostile occupancy has apparently vanished from Mukden and the town is living its old, easy Oriental life with just a leaven of modern energy introduced by a population of about a quarter of a million foreigners scattered round about.

MUKDEN, Dec. 9 (Delayed), via Peking, Dec. 19.—A correspondent of the Associated Press has toured the entire Russian front, covering one hundred miles along and around the frost-covered burrows of the soldiers from the Hun to the Shakhe rivers. At all times there has been fraternal cannonading along the center, where, owing to the proximity of the lines, the corps commanders while inspecting the positions, have frequently been recognized and fired at with shells. On the extreme right and left flanks the lines are separated by from five to eight miles and across these spaces on both sides occasionally march battalions, reconnoitering and making demonstrative attacks, during which each side has taken prisoners.

The object of both Russians and Japanese in these operations is the same, namely, to prevent the molestation of the winter campments. The positions of both Russians and Japanese are similar to those held by them before the battle of Lalo Yang and therefore the spring will find the two armies in the same relative positions at Liao Yang. General Rennenkampf's area beyond Da

SHOOTS AT FATHER INSTEAD OF GHOST

Goblin Stories So Terrify Boy That He Empties Shotgun Through Window
When Rarent Raps
WACO, Texas, Dec. 21.—H. Glaze, a German farmer living near White Hall, this county, had a narrow escape from death the other night, his own son shooting at him by accident. Glaze, whose wife is dead, left his four children for a while after night to visit his brother on business. The eldest child, a boy about 15, was left in charge. It was dark when Glaze returned and the children had evidently been telling ghost stories and were wrought up. Glaze tapped on the window blind when he returned and the oldest boy, thinking some one was trying to get in, yelled, "Look out," and fired point-blank at the window. Glaze fell backward just as the gun was discharged and the bullet went through the window right where he had been standing.

CONFIDENCE MEN TO BE SENT TO JAIL

EL PASO, Texas, Dec. 21.—Through the action of the authorities at Juarez, Mexico, taken upon the urgent requests of the state department at Washington, a number of American confidence men who congregated at Juarez to prey upon tourists will be sent to jail under heavy fines. It is known that these men have robbed American tourists of thousands of dollars in the past two months.

HOW PRESIDENT GOT INTERESTED IN WACO

WACO, Texas, Dec. 21.—Mayor James B. Baker, who was in Washington recently, and who called on President Roosevelt in company with Judge George Clark, presenting the invitation to visit Waco during the Texas trip, tells how the president was reared and induced to say positively that he would stop in Waco at that time. The president received the party graciously, but said he would "probably" stop in Waco. Mayor Baker remarked to him: "In addition to the welcome which will be extended to you, Mr. President, there are stronger reasons for your stopping at Waco; three of the men who faced the shot and shell and marched behind you up the deadly slopes of San Juan Hill live in Waco, and they join in extending this invitation." "Quick as a flash President Roosevelt said: "You tell me that you have three of those men in Waco? Who are they?" Mayor Baker replied: "Carl Lovelace, John Winter Jr. and Mr. Ervin." "I am now wholly persuaded and will stop in Waco," said President Roosevelt.

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AT ASCOT PARK (LOS ANGELES) First race, 5 furlongs: Pacific 1. Revel 2. Crown Prince 3. Time, 1:02 1/4.

THE WEATHER CALENDAR The Chattanooga Medicine Company, the manufacturers of Wine of Cardui and Theodor's Black Draught, have just issued the 1905 edition of their Cardui Weather Chart and Calendar.

STUDENTS GIVE DEMONSTRATION Physical Culture Class in Program at Christian Tabernacle An interesting demonstration of physical culture methods and results was given at the Christian Tabernacle Tuesday night by the pupils of that department of Fort Worth university under the direction of their teacher, Miss Martha Galloway.

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SISTERS WANT THE SAME Dear Santa Claus: I want a doll and a doll buggy, and a little stove, and a set of dishes for Christmas, and my little sister wants the same thing that I get.

BACK DOOR WILL BE OPEN Dear Old Santa Claus: I thought I would drop you a few lines to let you know I haven't forgotten you.

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SHE MAY MARRY COFFIN FOR THE FOURTH TIME

MOST MARRIED WOMAN IN THE WORLD SAID TO HAVE SURRENDERED TO HER FIRST LOVE'S WOOING AND MAY BECOME MRS. COFFIN AFTER THREE DIVORCES FROM HIM

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—Society professes to believe that Mrs. Grace Snell-Coffin-Walker-Coffin-Layman-Snell is about to become Mrs. Frank Hixon Coffin for the fourth time, in spite of the fact that thrice her marital bark has been wrecked while bearing the name.

Mrs. Snell-Coffin-etc.-Layman, is entitled to the whole assortment of appellations above. She is the "most" married and "oftenest" divorced woman on record. Five times she has tried to find a congenial soul mate, although she has confined her experiments to but three men. She tried one of them three times, and in spite of the old saw about "three times and out," she is, says rumor, in a fair way to become Mrs. Coffin for the fourth time.

Coffin was teaching dancing when in 1884 he met Grace Snell, aged 18, daughter of a millionaire real estate man. The couple wed in a hurry. The bride's father was angry. A burglar is supposed to have murdered Snell, leaving his daughter worth millions. Then followed the divorce of the couple, in compliance with the death-bed request of her child, Mrs. Coffin, again wedded Coffin. A year later clouds appeared on the matrimonial horizon and a second divorce followed.

In 1891 she took an eleven-month flit in becoming the wife of J. C. Walker, a hotel clerk whose voice she had cultivated, gave him \$50,000 and then discovered that he was not her affinity. In 1900 she secured a divorce, alleging he abused her.

In 1901 she took an eleven-month flit in connubial bliss with Coffin, which terminated in her applying for another separation and getting it.

Convinced that Illinois men were not her liking she flitted to California and



MRS. GRACE SNELL-COFFIN-WALKER-LAYMAN-SNELL.

wed Perkins A. Layman. One day he packed his grip and left for parts unknown, and the young woman secured a divorce on the grounds of desertion.

The rumor that Mrs. Grace Snell-Coffin-etc.-Layman is longing for the man of her first choice and that she has responded to his appeals to try another journey upon the troubled seas of matrimony, originated among her friends here.

Big Four's Schedule Changed To Please Plucky Teacher

Special Stop of Fast Train Ordered So She Can Go Home Every Week

MARION, Ohio, Dec. 19.—Big Four passenger train No. 3 stopped at Logan, a



MISS BLANCHE HART.

stopping five miles east of here, for the first

time today, and hereafter it will make the same stop every Monday morning to let off pretty 20-year-old Blanche Hart, of Caledonia, a school teacher.

There is the story of a plucky girl and a railroad president behind the change in the Big Four's passenger schedule.

Miss Hart, who supports her widowed mother, teachers at a school a mile from Logan. To spend Friday night, Saturday and Sunday with her mother she has been riding home on a freight train. But there is no freight leaving Caledonia early enough Monday morning to permit her to open school on time, and, as the passenger wouldn't stop, she has had to walk. She did not mind the walk in the summer season, but winter coming on, she asked the agent at Caledonia if he couldn't have the passenger train stop at Logan and save her the five-mile walk in the bitter cold.

"I can't do it," the agent told her, "but write to the president, maybe he will." But he didn't really think it.

Miss Hart followed the agent's advice and wrote to President M. E. Ingalls at Cincinnati, explaining the situation. Her letter must have touched him, for, despite precedent, No. 3 has been ordered to stop each Monday morning at Logan.



THE CHRISTMAS FACE

VETERAN INSPIRES JAPS

Gray-Haired Survivor of Two Wars Averts Threatened Disaster

TOKIO, Dec. 20.—All Japan is today ringing with praises of General Samejima, as the hero of the assault on Keekwan mountain fort. It is conceded that his heroism inspired his men and turned a threatened disaster into a splendid victory.

General Samejima is an old Samurai veteran of the war of restoration and the Satsuma rebellion. He is gray haired and bent, but is wiry and active. He is an engineer and was formerly a garrison commander. He is Japan's specialist in fortifications and was called to Port Arthur to superintend the siege works. He was not assigned to a native command, and it is supposed that General Samejima replaced General Tsuchiya as division commander.

president has said that he will not abandon the effort to secure relief for the people, and will continue to press the importance of action by congress until he succeeds.

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FLAMES SWEEP THE CITY

Business Center of McKinney Guttet With Heavy Loss

MCKINNEY, Texas, Dec. 20.—Fire entailing a total loss of about \$35,000 damaged the business center of this city Monday night, the combined insurance of the losers aggregating not more than \$5,000.

The flames, which were first discovered in the rear of the Model Bakery in Tennessee street. The fire spread rapidly, fanned by a strong north wind, and destroyed five business houses before being controlled.

The buildings destroyed were the property of W. R. Hill, John Johnson, A. Malloy and J. P. Crouch, and were occupied as follows: Brannan Bros., bicycles; George Sullivan, general merchandise; Foreman's restaurant, Model Bakery and J. B. Rhodes, grocery.

The grocery store of W. B. Kendle and the meat market of William Allen were also slightly damaged.

MILL BEING COMPLETED

Workmen Rushing Building for New Fort Worth Industry

Work at the new iron rolling mill plant south of Fort Worth is progressing with all possible speed. The large warehouse and bolt and nut building is nearly finished. In this building has been stored 18 carloads of machinery for the plant. Bids are now being received for the rolling mill building proper and for the engine room and the machine shop. As soon as the contract is let this work will be rushed.

When the rolling mill building is nearly completed 22 more carloads of machinery will be shipped to the city. The reason this machinery is being held in the east is because there is no place to store it at the present time. The buildings are expected to be completed by March 1 and ready for the plant in operation. Thirty-five men are working at the plant at the present time.

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ELKINS MEETS MOODY

Two Hold Long Conference Over Interstate Commerce Law

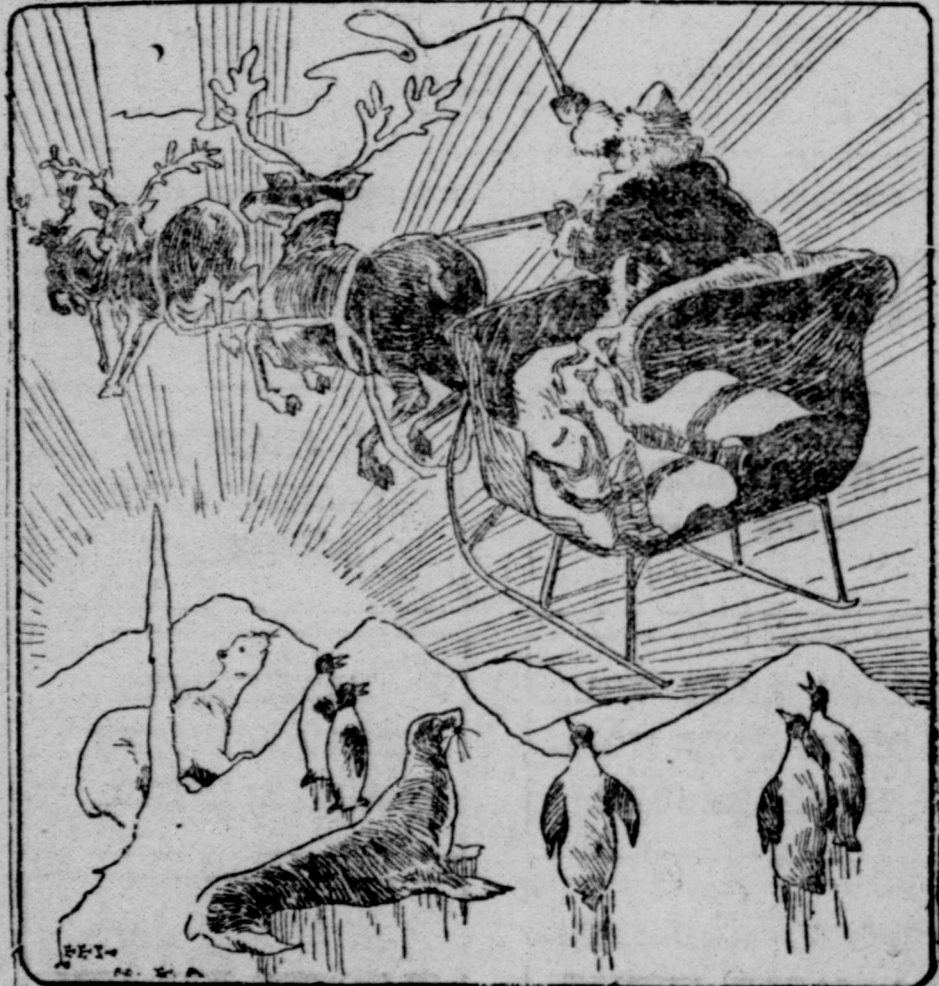
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 20.—Senator Elkins has had a long conference with Attorney General Moody over the bill which the former has taken up as a remedy for the defects of the present interstate commerce law. It appears that the bill, which would establish nine interstate commerce districts in the United States, with an interstate commerce commissioner or judge in each and an appellate commission or court, was originally framed by former Attorney General Olney early in the second administration of President Cleveland, and was the remedy that was then proposed without success in congress.

The measure approved itself to the attorney general and president, but it is not expected that it will be enacted into law this session. The conference between Senator Elkins and the attorney general developed the understanding that while the president earnestly desires legislation this session, he does not expect it in view of the brief time intervening to the 4th of March, and the urgent necessity for considering the various appropriation bills, which now require more than ever careful discussion because of the general effort at retrenchment.

Notwithstanding the conclusion that nothing will be done this winter to perfect interstate commerce legislation, the

ZION'S ASSETS \$30,000,000

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—Before a congregation of nearly 5,000 people John Alexander Dowie has declared that the assets of Zion are \$30,000,000, and of this sum of \$21,000,000 is in Zion City. He said that the total indebtedness was less than \$500,000, and most of that was to members of the church.



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ORDINANCE NO. 922

An Ordinance Establishing the Rates and Rules of the Fort Worth City Water Works

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Fort Worth:

Section 1. All water furnished by the Fort Worth City Water Works to its consumers shall be measured by meter. Meters will be read on or about the first of every month, and the consumer notified in writing, or otherwise, of the amount due from him, stating in said notice that unless said amount due by him shall be paid by the tenth of the month succeeding the month in which the water was used, the water will be turned off and shall not be turned on again until such time as the amount due is paid including the time it was turned off and one dollar additional for turning on again.

Article 2. Should any meter fail to register correctly the amount of water used by a consumer since the previous reading, the right shall exist on the part of the City Water Works to average the month and charge for water on the basis of any previous three months within the past year.

Article 3. The city reserves the right to own and control all meters of two inches and under.

Meters of over two inches in size shall be furnished by the consumer and by them kept in repair, but shall be under the control of the Fort Worth City Water Works.

Any meter owned by the consumer, and which does not register correctly the amount of water passing through it, shall be replaced by a new meter upon notice from the Water Works Department, and any consumer failing to replace any such meter shall be refused water by the Fort Worth City Water Works:

Art. 4. The following shall be the rates charged for water furnished by the Fort Worth City Water Works:
Consumers using 1 to 90,000 gal. per month.....20 cents per 1,000 gals.
Consumers using 90,020 to 180,000 gal. per month.....18 cents per 1,000 gal.
Consumers using 180,020 to 270,000 gal. per month.....16 cents per 1,000 gal.
Consumers using 270,020 to 360,000 gal. per month.....14 cents per 1,000 gals.

Consumers using over 600,000 gal. per month.....10 cents per 1,000 gals.

Consumers shall pay rent for water meters as follows:
5-8 inch to 1 inch.....\$3.00 per year
1 1/2 inch to 2 inch.....\$6.00 per year

The minimum amount of water charged for to a consumer shall be as follows:
A residence with only a water closet, \$1.50 per quarter, allowing 1,500 gallons of water per month, which includes meter. All other services shall pay a minimum rate of \$2.55 per quarter, and shall be allowed the use of 3,000 gallons of water per month, without additional charge for meter.

The City Water Works shall keep all meters owned by it in repair without expense to the consumer.

Any consumer failing to use the allotted amount of water allowed them in any month can not have credit for it on the succeeding month. Where the consumer does not pay the minimum rate a deposit may be required by the Water Works Department to insure the city against loss for water furnished.

Art. 5. A consumer changing his residence and having paid for water at the minimum rate for a quarter, can, by presenting his receipt at the office, and signing a request for a transfer, have the unexpired portion of his water rent transferred to his new residence, or place of business.

Art. 6. Water bills for those not paying minimum rates will be due and payable on the first day of each and every month. For those paying minimum rates they shall become due and payable on the first day of January, April, July and October of each year. Those paying the minimum rate shall pay by the tenth of the succeeding month, any amount due for water used in excess of the amount allowed for any month, and failing to do so shall be cut off and not turned on again until the amount due shall have been paid. One dollar extra shall be collected for turning on again.

Art. 7. No consumer shall supply water to other persons or to other families or suffer them to take it except for use on the premises, without the permission of the water works department.

Art. 8. After water is introduced into

a building or upon any premises, the same shall not be extended by any plumber, or other person, to any other premises for additional fixtures.

Where an additional fixture or fixtures are desired a permit shall be secured from the water works department, and the law compiled with regarding the placing of the same, as set forth in the plumbing ordinance.

Two houses shall not be permitted to be supplied with one service pipe where there is a water main in front of the premises.

Art. 9. Every person taking water from the Fort Worth City Water Works shall at all reasonable times permit the superintendent, or any agent of the Fort Worth City Water Works, to enter his or her premises or buildings to examine the water pipes and fixtures, and the manner in which the water is used. Any consumer refusing to same shall be refused water from the Fort Worth City Water Works until such permission shall be granted.

Art. 10. It is expressly understood and agreed that the Fort Worth City Water Works reserves the right to at any time shut off the water in their mains for the purpose of making repairs on the same, making connections or extensions to the same, for the purpose of cleaning the same, and for the purpose of repairing their machinery, reservoir or any part of their works.

And it is further expressly agreed and understood that the Fort Worth City Water Works are not liable for any damages for leaks, or breakages of pipes in or on their premises, and also reserve the right to make such other rules and regulations as may be necessary for the preservation, protection and character of their works.

Art. 11. No plumber or other person, except the tapper employed by the Fort Worth City Water Works, or the City Plumber, will be allowed to tap any street main.

Art. 12. All boilers for heating water shall be provided with safety valves, a check valve shall be placed on service pipes to protect the meter from hot water when deemed necessary by the Superintendent of the Water Works. Any con-

sumer failing to have such check valve placed on his service pipe after having been notified by the Water Works Department shall be cut off and not turned on again until such valve shall have been placed on the service pipe.

Art. 13. No plumber or other person shall turn on water from the street stop cocks without a written permit from the Fort Worth City Water Works, except for repairs.

Art. 14. Hose attachments, when located on the sidewalk, as well as stop cock boxes, must have a suitable iron cover, the tops of which must be flush with the surface of the sidewalk.

Art. 15. It shall be unlawful for any person, save a city employee, employed by the Fort Worth City Water Works, to interfere with any meter used for the measurement of water furnished by the city.

It shall be unlawful for any one to hinder or prevent a regularly authorized employee of the city from inspecting or reading a meter used for the measurement of city water.

Art. 16. The Water Works Committee, with the consent of the City Council, shall have the power to grant to contractors, engaged in street sprinkling, the right to erect at points designated by the Superintendent of Water Works, standpipes or hydrants, constructed as required by said superintendent, for the supplying of said sprinkling wagons with water.

And the said hydrants shall be for the exclusive use of the said sprinkling wagons, and it shall be unlawful for any person to draw water therefrom without the written consent of the Superintendent of Water Works.

Art. 17. It shall be unlawful for any person engaged in street sprinkling to draw water from the water mains during the progress of a fire. It shall be unlawful for any person, except a member of the fire department, or employee of the water department, to open or use water from a fire hydrant, or to take off the caps or damage same in any manner, without permission of the Water Department. It shall be unlawful for any person to in any manner damage or break any of the houses, walls, machinery or

fixtures connected with or appertaining to the water works, or to bathe in the water accumulated behind the dams of the City Water Works, or throw or deposit any sticks, mud, rubbish or other material therein.

Art. 18. The water department shall make all taps or connections to the street mains and extend service pipes to one foot inside curb line, and there place a stop cock and stop box, that shall be under the exclusive control of the Water Department, and the said tap and service pipe shall be paid for by the plumber ordering the work done before the work is commenced, according to the schedule of prices adopted by the water works committee from time to time, on file in the water works office, copies of which shall be furnished all licensed plumbers whenever any changes are made by the committee. All service pipes shall be laid 18 inches under the ground and a stop and waste shall be so placed on said service pipe inside the property line, as to properly drain all pipes above the ground.

The owner of a group of houses fronting on a street where there is a water main shall be required to provide a separate connection to the main for each of said houses.

Owners of store and office buildings shall be required to provide a separate connection with the main for each 25 feet front of the ground floor where city water is used, and one or more additional connections to the main for each additional floor, according to the number and arrangement of fixtures on the said floors, the superintendent of water works to be the judge of the number of connections necessary, but in no case shall there be less than one separate service pipe for each additional floor.

In cases where there is a tank located on the roof and water from there distributed through the building one connection of sufficient size may be made to the mains and connected directly with the said tank, but no other connection shall be made on the said line to the tank, and a check valve shall be placed on the said service to the tank, as near the entrance to the building as possible.

In case an additional supply shall be desired a separate connection shall be

made with the main as in the preceding rules governing connections to store and office buildings, but in no case shall a connection larger than two inches be made with the city mains. Two or more houses fronting a street or streets where there is no water main may be supplied with one service connected with the main, said service to be of sufficient size to insure an ample supply of water, but in such cases each of said houses shall have a separate service pipe from the sidewalk and separate stop cock and stop box one foot inside the curb.

Churches, opera houses, depots, theaters, schools and factories may be supplied through one connection with the street main.

Each single residence or store shall have a separate connection with the main, and under no conditions shall one residence have more than one connection to the main.

Buildings used as flats shall be required to provide a separate connection with the main for each apartment.

All service pipes on Throckmorton, Main, Houston, Rusk and Jennings avenue from Bluff to Front inclusive, from Rusk to Throckmorton and Jennings avenue, and Fifteenth from Jones to Jennings avenue, shall be of extra strong lead pipe.

No water connection with the water mains shall be made to any building for fire protection except by special permission of the Water Works Department, and where there is a connection of plumber in connection sa. shall be met with a minimum charge made for the said service, as per schedule of rates in effect, and no other connection shall be made in the building with the fire protection line.

Art. 19. Any person intending to follow the business or occupation of plumber in relation to or in any way connected with the city water mains, pipes, fixtures, etc., shall, before undertaking any work in connection therewith, first apply to the Water Works Department, in writing, for a license, which license shall not be granted by said department unless said party submits to said department the endorsement of two plumbers in good standing (license), or other evidence satisfac-

This ordinance not having been approved nor disapproved by the Mayor within three days after its passage as required by the charter, takes effect the same as if approved.

JNO. T. MONTGOMERY, City Secretary.

Passed Dec. 2, 1904. JNO. T. MONTGOMERY, City Secretary.

Recorded in Ordinance Book E, pages 113, 114, 115, December 6, 1904. JNO. T. MONTGOMERY, City Secretary.

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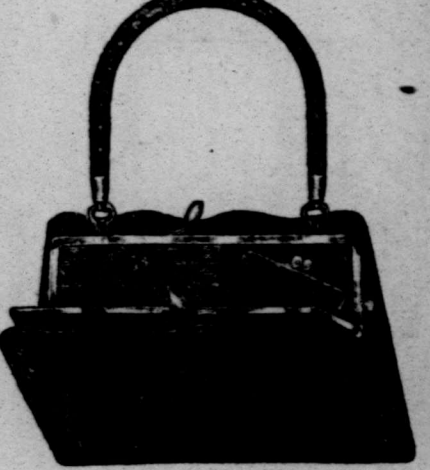
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ORDINANCE NO. 922 An Ordinance Establishing the Rates and Rules of the Fort Worth City Water Works Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Fort Worth: Section 1. All water furnished by the Fort Worth City Water Works to its consumers shall be measured by meter. Meters will be read on or about the first of every month, and the consumer notified in writing, or otherwise, of the amount due from him, stating in said notice that unless said amount due by him shall be paid by the tenth of the month succeeding the month in which the water was used, the water will be turned off and shall not be turned on again until such time as the amount due is paid including the time it was turned off and one dollar additional for turning on again. Article 2. Should any meter fail to register correctly the amount of water used by a consumer since the previous reading, the right shall exist on the part of the City Water Works to average the month and charge for water on the basis of any previous three months within the year. Art. 3. The city reserves the right to own and control all meters of two inches and under. Meters of over two inches in size shall be furnished by the consumer and by them kept in repair, but shall be under the control of the Fort Worth City Water Works. Any meter owned by the consumer, and which does not register correctly the amount of water passing through it, shall be replaced by a new meter upon notice from the Water Works Department, and any consumer failing to replace any such meter shall be refused water by the Fort Worth City Water Works. Art. 4. The following shall be the rates charged for water furnished by the Fort Worth City Water Works: Consumers using 1 to 99,000 gal. per month... 20 cents per 1,000 gals. Consumers using 100,000 to 150,000 gal. per month... 15 cents per 1,000 gal. Consumers using 150,000 to 200,000 gal. per month... 10 cents per 1,000 gal. Consumers using 200,000 to 300,000 gal. per month... 14 cents per 1,000 gals. Consumers using 300,000 to 600,000 gal. per month... 20 cents per 1,000 gals. Consumers using over 600,000 gal. per month... 10 cents per 1,000 gals. Consumers shall pay rent for water meters as follows: 5-8 inch to 1 inch... \$3.00 per year 1 1/2 inch to 2 inch... \$5.00 per year The minimum amount of water charged for to a consumer shall be as follows: A residence with only a water closet, \$1.55 per quarter, allowing 1,350 gallons of water per month, which includes meter. All other services shall pay a minimum rate of \$2.55 per quarter, and shall be allowed the use of 3,000 gallons of water per month, without additional charge for meter. The City Water Works shall keep all meters owned by it in repair without expense to the consumer. Any consumer failing to use the allotted amount of water allowed them in any month can not have credit for it on the succeeding month. Where the consumer does not pay the minimum rate a deposit may be required by the Water Works Department to insure the city against loss for water furnished. Art. 5. A consumer changing his residence and having paid for water at the minimum rate for a quarter, can, by presenting his receipt at the office, and signing a request for a transfer, have the unexpired portion of his water rent transferred to his new residence, or place of business. Art. 6. Water bills for those not paying minimum rates will be due and payable on the first day of each and every month. For those paying minimum rates they shall become due and payable on the first day of January, April, July and October of each year. Those paying the minimum rate shall pay by the tenth of the succeeding month, any amount due for water used in excess of the amount allowed for any month, and not turned on again until the amount due shall have been paid. One dollar extra shall be collected for turning on again. Art. 7. No consumer shall supply water to other persons or to other families or suffer them to take it except for use on the premises, without the permission of the water works department. Art. 8. After water is introduced into a building or upon any premises, the same shall not be extended by any plumber, or other person, to any other premises for additional fixtures. Where an additional fixture or fixtures are desired a permit shall be secured from the water works department, and the law compiled with regarding the placing of the same, as set forth in the plumbing ordinance. Two houses shall not be permitted to be supplied with one service pipe where there is a water main in front of the premises. Art. 9. Every person taking water from the Fort Worth City Water Works shall, at all reasonable times permit the superintendent, or any agent of the Fort Worth City Water Works, to enter his or her premises or buildings to examine the water pipes and fixtures, and the manner in which the water is used. Any consumer refusing the same shall be refused water from the Fort Worth City Water Works until such permission shall be granted. Art. 10. It is expressly understood and agreed that the Fort Worth City Water Works reserves the right to at any time shut off the water in their mains for the purpose of making repairs on the same, making connections or extensions to the same, and for the purpose of cleaning their machinery, reservoir or any part of their works. And it is further expressly agreed and understood that the Fort Worth City Water Works are not liable for any damage, loss or breakage of pipes in or on their premises, and also reserve the right to make such other rules and regulations as may be necessary for the preservation, protection and character of their works. Art. 11. No plumber or other person, except the tapper employed by the Fort Worth City Water Works, or the City Plumber, will be allowed to tap any street main. Art. 12. All boilers for heating water shall be provided with safety valves, a check valve shall be placed on service pipes to protect the meter from hot water when deemed necessary by the Superintendent of the Water Works. Any consumer failing to have such check valve placed on his service pipe after having been notified by the Water Works Department shall be cut off and not turned on again until such valve shall have been placed on the service pipe. Art. 13. No plumber or other person shall turn on water from the street stop cocks without a written permit from the Fort Worth City Water Works, except for repairs. Art. 14. Hose attachments, when located on the sidewalk, as well as stop cock boxes, must have a suitable iron cover, the tops of which must be flush with the surface of the sidewalk. Art. 15. It shall be unlawful for any person, save a city employee, employed by the Fort Worth City Water Works, to interfere with any meter used for the measurement of water furnished by the city. It shall be unlawful for any one to hinder or prevent a regularly authorized employe of the city from inspecting or reading a meter used for the measurement of city water. Art. 16. The Water Works Committee, with the consent of the City Council, shall have the power to grant to contractors, engaged in street sprinkling, the right to erect at points designated by the Superintendent of Water Works, stand-pipes or hydrants, constructed as required by said superintendent, for the supply of said sprinkling wagons with water, and the said hydrants shall be for the exclusive use of the said sprinkling wagons, and it shall be unlawful for any person to draw water therefrom without the written consent of the Superintendent of Water Works. Art. 17. It shall be unlawful for any person engaged in street sprinkling to draw water from the water mains during the progress of a fire. It shall be unlawful for any person, except a member of the fire department, or employe of the water department, to open or use water from a fire hydrant, or to take off the caps or damage same in any manner, without permission of the Water Department. It shall be unlawful for any person to in any manner damage or destroy any of the houses, walls, machinery or fixtures connected with or appertaining to the water works, or to bathe in the water accumulated behind the dams of the City Water Works, or throw or deposit any sticks, mud, rubbish or other material therein. Art. 18. The water department shall make all taps or connections to the street mains and extend service pipes to one foot inside curb line, and there place a stop cock and stop box, that shall be under the exclusive control of the Water Department, and the said tap and service pipe shall be paid for by the plumber ordering the work done before the work is commenced, according to the schedule of prices adopted by the water works committee from time to time, on file in the water works office, copies of which shall be furnished all licensed plumbers whenever any changes are made by the committee. All service pipes shall be laid 18 inches under the ground and a stop and waste shall be so placed on said service pipe inside the property line, as to properly drain all pipes above the ground. The owner of a group of houses fronting on a street where there is a water main shall be required to provide a separate connection to the main for each of said houses. Owners of store and office buildings shall be required to provide a separate connection with the main for each 25 feet front of the ground floor where city water is used, and one or more additional connections to the main for each additional floor, according to the number and arrangement of fixtures on the said floors, the superintendent of water works to be the judge of the number of connections necessary, but in no case shall there be less than one separate service pipe for each additional floor. In cases where there is a tank located on the roof and water from there distributed through the building one connection of sufficient size may be made to the main and connected directly with the said tank, but no other connection shall be made on the said line to the tank, and a check valve shall be placed on the said service to the tank, as near the entrance to the building as possible. In case an additional supply shall be desired a separate connection shall be

made with the main as in the preceding rules governing connections to store and office buildings, but in no case shall a connection larger than two inches be made with the city mains. Two or more houses fronting a street or streets where there is no water main may be supplied with one service connected with the main, said service to be of sufficient size to insure an ample supply of water, but in such cases each of said houses shall have a separate service pipe from the sidewalk and separate stop cock and stop box one foot inside the curb. Churches, opera houses, depots, theaters, schools and factories may be supplied through one connection with the street main. Each single residence or store shall have a separate connection with the main, and under no conditions shall one residence have more than one connection to the main. Buildings used as flats shall be required to provide a separate connection with the main for each apartment. All service pipes on Throckmorton, Main, Houston, Rusk and Jennings avenue from Houston to Bluff to Front inclusive, and from Rusk to Throckmorton and Jennings avenue, and Fifteenth from Jones to Jennings avenue, shall be of extra strong lead pipe. No water connection with the water mains shall be made to any building for fire protection except by special permission of the Water Works Department, and where there is a connection for fire protection it shall be metered and a minimum charge made for the said service, as per schedule of rates in effect, and no other connection shall be made in the building with the fire protection line. Art. 19. Any person intending to follow the business or occupation of plumber in relation to or in any way connected with the city water mains, pipes, fixtures, etc., shall before undertaking any work in connection therewith, first apply to the Water Works Department, in writing, for a license, which license shall not be granted by said department unless said party submits to said department the endorsement of two plumbers in good standing (license), or other evidence satisfac-

tor to the Superintendent of Water Works that he is competent to do plumbing work. The applicant shall, before said license is granted, present to the said water department together with his application a surety bond in the sum of \$1,500 conditioned to save the city harmless from all danger of whatever kind resulting from negligence or unskillful work on the part of said plumber, and to abide by the rules and regulations of the water works department. The said bond shall be renewed each year and a failure to renew the same shall of itself operate as a revocation of the said license. Art. 19-A. All iron service pipes shall be relaid with extra strong lead pipe prior to the paving of the street on which said pipe or pipes are located, and any owner or agent of said services failing or refusing to do so by the water works department prior to such paving, then the water works department shall relaid said service pipe or pipes, and water shall not be used through said service pipe or pipes so relaid by the water works department until such time as the said pipe or pipes shall have been paid for according to the schedule of rates for said work on file in the office of the water works department. Art. 20. Any plumber or other person, violating any of the provisions of this ordinance, upon conviction of the same, shall be fined in the city court in the sum of not less than ten nor more than one hundred dollars, and in addition any plumber so convicted may have his license forfeited for the period of thirty days at the option of the City Judge. Sec. 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances, in conflict with this ordinance shall be, and the same is hereby repealed, and this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication as required by law. Filed November 4, 1904. JNO. T. MONTGOMERY, City Secretary.

Passed Dec. 2, 1904. JNO. T. MONTGOMERY, City Secretary. Recorded in Ordinance Book E, pages 113, 114, 115, December 6, 1904. JNO. T. MONTGOMERY, City Secretary. This ordinance not having been approved nor disapproved by the Mayor within three days after its passage as required by the charter, takes effect the same as if approved. JNO. T. MONTGOMERY, City Secretary.

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FOR SALE—The furniture of 23-room hotel, a \$2 a day house in growing town in Indian Territory. P. O. Box 536, Otoka, I. T.

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LOST—One bicycle, Rambler make, 1904 model; liberal reward will be given for its return. Address, J. S., care Telegram.

LOST—An express money order for \$10, payable to Mrs. A. W. McCullough. Finder please return to H. A. McCullough at Telegram office for reward.

LOST—Ladies' black fur, Saturday night, between Burton-Peels' and Broadway. Reward if same is returned to 1226 Lipscomb street.

STRAYED OR STOLEN—One bay horse, 17 hands high, 9 years old; branded O on left jaw; bar shoe on left foot. One sorrel horse, 16 hands high, 7 years old; no brand. One brown horse, 15 hands high, 8 years old, inverted F on left shoulder. One dark bay horse, 6 years old, three white feet. O on left jaw, blaze on forehead, about 15 1/2 hands high. Liberal reward for same. A. J. Roe.

LOST—Pocketbook containing bunch of keys and small sum. Reward to finder or returning same to Room No. 30, Elks' Rooming House.

LOST—In the Fair Monday evening, Dec. 19, one spitz poodle, female, with a big sore on her chin. Liberal reward if returned to E. B. Miller, at Hawkins-Miller Mfg. Co.

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EXCHANGE—Furniture, stoves, carpets, matings, draperies of all kinds; the largest stock in the city where you can exchange your old goods for new. Everything sold on easy payment. Ladd Furniture and Carpet Co., 704-6 Houston street. Both phones 662.

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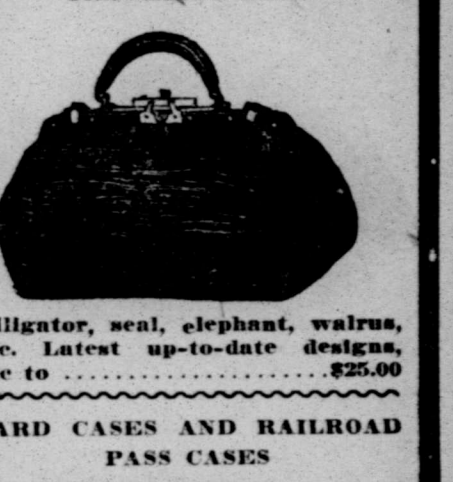
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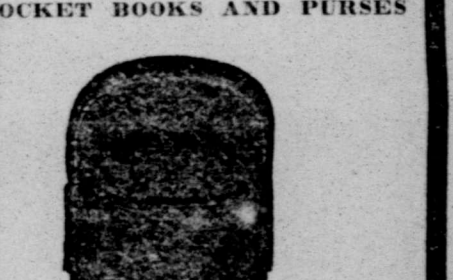
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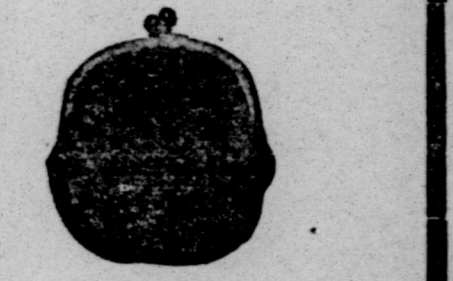
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We place on sale for balance of the week our entire line of Smoking Jackets at a great saving.

Smoking Jackets that sold for \$7.50, \$8.50, \$10.00 and \$12.50 your choice for balance of the week... **\$5.00**

55 Lounging Robes that sold for \$6.00 and \$6.50, your choice balance of the week for... **\$4.18**

23 Lounging Robes that sold for \$8.50 and \$10.00, your choice balance of the week for... **\$5.95**

The greatest sale ever inaugurated in our Children's department for balance of the week.

83 Children's Reefers and Overcoats for tots 3 to 7 years old, made of chevots and meltons. Overcoats that sold for \$6.50, \$7.50 and \$8.50. Broken lots, and in order to clear them we have placed same on separate counters where you may take your choice as long as they last for... **\$3.23**

200 Boys' Suits, made of cheviot and worsted, brown mixed and gray mixed, in sizes of 8 to 16 years; sold regularly for \$4.00, balance of week... **\$2.98**

The 50c quality Boys' fleece lined Underwear at... **39c**

The \$1.00 quality Boys' Union Suits at... **73c**

The \$1.50 quality of Boys' all wool Sweaters, sizes 3 to 16 years, at... **98c**

The 50c quality Boys' odd Knee Pants, all wool, sizes 3 to 16 years, at, per pair... **39c**

The \$1.00 quality Boys' odd Knee Pants, strictly all wool, sizes 3 to 16 years, at, pair... **73c**

The 75c quality Children's Sweaters, all wool, sizes 2 1-2 to 4 years, at... **48c**

The Man About... Town...

"Well, I guess I have made out a money order for almost every nationality on the face of the globe," said Major Cal Elliott, the money order clerk at the post-office this morning, as he completed filling out a blank for a Syrian who wished to send some money to far away Syria. "One who is not acquainted with the inhabitants of Fort Worth little knows to what faraway lands money is sent. During the past month, when all resident foreigners are sending the greatest amount of money away, I have made out orders for almost all lands and climes. Money has been sent to China, Germany, Sweden, France, Ireland, England, Scotland, Holland, Italy, Syria, Greece, Spain, Mexico, points in Asia Minor and even to South Africa. I don't recall having made out any order to Iceland or Lapland but the rest of the foreign lands have had some one here to send them at least one contribution. The largest number of money orders the past month have gone to Russia and to Poland. Former residents of these two countries in the city seem to be ever mindful of the people left behind and send them money often. Very little money is sent to the Spanish-Latin countries, because of the fact that there are few of those people here, and the further fact that there is no exchange between the countries and the international postal union. The money order business this year is the greatest yet, and the prospects are good for it far exceeding those of last year, or any other year in the history of the post-office."

"When people talk about low cotton and a consequent following of hard times in Texas, they do not always speak intelligently. Of course, all want to see the cotton raisers get a good price for their products, but it is more apparent to me every day, and especially during the holiday travel, that Texas people are raising something else besides cotton and have money and plenty of it as a result of their sagacity and foresight," remarked John M. Adams, the city ticket and passenger agent of the Cotton Belt at the Texas and Pacific passenger station last evening, to a friend. "When it comes to heavy travel in all times of the year as it has been this year, when people have been coming and going and then now when most people would simply be broke, if there wasn't a lot of good old prosperity in the land, the number of people who are going back to the old states for the holidays is something wonderful. For the past two days of this year the Cotton Belt out of Fort Worth has sold more tickets in one day than we did any two days of last year. Never has there been such a rush, and the greatest is not yet at hand, but will be on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of the week. Not only is the Cotton Belt enjoying this heavy travel, but all other roads as well, from all I can learn, and it looks to me as if Texans were certainly in a prosperous condition, even with low cotton. What would have been the conditions if cotton had sold at a fair price is hard to imagine, but I am sure that the present rush is attributable to diversification of crops by the farmers and to nothing else."

Representative J. D. Cottrell of Plano, Collin county, who was a member of the Twenty-eighth legislature, and who has been re-elected for another term, has just returned to his home from a visit at the home of A. H. McCarthy, at 215 Chambers avenue. Representative Cottrell is deeply interested in the movement looking to the solution of the divorce evil, and has been chosen by those interested in securing new laws upon the subject to father the proposed measures in the house. While in the city he was in consultation with Representative Williams of this city regarding the measure. The new measure seeks to remedy conditions by imposing a bar to the remarriage of a person seeking a divorce for a period of one year after the entering of the decree. It has the general support of those fostering the anti-divorce movement in the state.

"We give the 'Merchant of Venice' as it is written," said W. R. Love, representing Joseph De Grasse, who will appear in that play at Greenwall's opera house this afternoon and will appear in "Hamlet" there tonight. "In this we claim to be a little different from some of the others. Mr. De Grasse is generous enough to allow the remainder of the play, after the court scene, to be given, thus giving some of the other actors a chance. This latter part of the play including the love scene in Portia's garden offers some of the prettiest acting in the production."

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BIG AUTO TRACK PLANNED

E. H. R. Green and Other Enthusiasts Would Build Largest in the World Between Ft. Worth and Dallas

E. H. R. Green of Terrell, son of Hedy Green and president of the Texas Midland railroad, reached this city Tuesday evening, having made a trip from Dallas together with Henry Hamilton and other auto enthusiasts of that city in search of a level strip of land along the interurban for the construction of a three-mile automobile track.

The track, which will be the longest in the world, will be built with the idea of breaking world's records and Mr. Green announced that he hoped to secure the holding of two big annual events at times in the year when the owners of fast cars were making trips from one coast to the other.

To all inquiries as to the possible location he refused any information, declaring he was not becoming the price of any one's land. It is learned, however, that several suitable tracts were found between this city and Dallas upon any one of which a three-mile track could be constructed at comparatively little cost. The large crowd that could be drawn from both cities would make the project self-sustaining.

Among the cars used by the party in coming to this city were two 1905 models, the first to be brought to Texas. Both show improvements over the models of the same makes for last year, increase in size being features.

DEAL STILL PENDING

Attorneys at Work on Transfer of Arlington Heights Property

At a meeting of the interested parties in the transfer of the Arlington Heights property, in Judge H. W. Flournoy's office in Hoxie building Tuesday, the deal reached such a point that attorneys were instructed to complete the papers closing the transaction. Up to a late hour today the deal was still pending.

STORE OPEN EVENINGS



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Our special importation of Dressing Gowns and Lounging Robes for the holiday trade are the most magnificent we have ever assembled. Double faced golf cloth, worsted homespuns, striped wool robes, fine wool Jacquard and imported Matelasses.

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A wide range of handsome patterns of Turkish toweling, Terry cloth and two tone Robes.

Smoking Jackets, \$5.00 to \$20.00

Our display of Smoking Jackets and House Coats for this season covers a great variety of the very richest effects. The materials are double faced golf cloth, worsted homespuns, fancy chevots and imported Matelasses.

Holiday Slippers, \$3.00 to \$6.00

Our complete assortment includes the Opera, Cavalier, and Romeo styles. Plain kid and novelties in burnt leather, sea lion, lizard, snake and alligator skin.

"HAPPY IS THE BRIDE THE SUNBURSTS ON"

Great Xmas Diamond Exhibit

Did you notice my ad. in the Sunday issue of this paper? Well, just as a reminder Wednesday and Thursday will be your opportunity to see the great exhibit of R. L. and M. Friedlander of New York. Goods of fine quality at money-saving prices.

A Few Suggestions

Sunbursts	\$10.00 to \$1,000.00	Scarf Pins	\$1.50 to \$75.00
Locketts	\$2.50 to \$150.00	Silver Tea Sets	\$12.50 to \$50.00
Rings	\$2.00 to \$500.00	Umbrellas	\$6.50 to \$25.00
Watches	\$1.00 to \$250.00	Fine Cut Glass	\$1.50 to \$35.00

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- Ladies' Colored Underskirts... **\$2.00**
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- Kimonos (long), choice, big line at... **\$2.00**
- White Muslin Underskirts, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25 and... **\$2.00**
- Men's Black and Tan Hose, 3 pairs for... **25c**

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CITY TO CONDUCT NORMAL

Opportunity Will be Given Teachers for Further Studies After Mid-Winter Graduation in February

The opening of a normal school immediately after the graduation of the extra February class was authorized by the city school board at a special meeting held Tuesday afternoon in the mayor's office. A number of the teachers will be relieved of extra work with the graduation of the class and their time will be devoted to the normal course.

Superintendent Hogg was authorized by the board to extend an invitation to the State Teachers' Association to hold the next annual meeting of the organization in this city. The Board of Trade will also be asked to join in the invitation.

Plans were discussed for the increase of the manual training work in the high school, permission being granted for the replacement of one study by the work in this department. The details were left with Superintendent Hogg.

The resignation of Miss Anna R. Carter of the Fifth ward school was accepted, Miss Hermolean Tucker being appointed to fill the vacancy caused. Substitute teachers were elected as follows: Miss Josephine Robinson, Miss Lizzie Litsey, Miss Lovie Carter, Miss Robbie Kinsey, Miss Mary Barton and Miss Sudie Baker.

It was decided to begin the Christmas holidays at noon Friday and continue them until Tuesday, Jan. 3.

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EPWORTH LIQUORS

the majority of them leaving for their homes to remain until the reopening of the sessions Jan. 2.

Polytechnic College will close its doors for Christmas next Friday, reopening again on Jan. 3. All pupils of this institution with the exception of day scholars living in the city will go to their homes.

At St. Andrew's school, school sessions end at 1 o'clock Friday, being resumed Monday, Jan. 2. An informal reception and dance will be held at the school building Thursday evening.

Pupils at St. Ignatius Academy will close their sessions tomorrow evening, being given a vacation until Monday, Jan. 2.

STUDENTS BEGIN VACATION

Students at Fort Worth University today began their Christmas vacation.