

TAFT TO CALL BURLESON FOR A CONFERENCE

**PRESIDENT WANTS TO STOP
TRADING IN FUTURES—WILL
CONSULT TEXAN.**

WILL INTRODUCE BILL IN CONGRESS

**Intended to Prohibit Gambling On
Grain and All Agricultural Pro-
ducts—Wickersham
Notified.**

Publishers Press.
Washington, Dec. 27.—As soon as Attorney General Wickersham comes back from New York in January President Taft will call him and Representative Burleson of Texas, and others, into consultation with a view to getting through congress a bill to prohibit gambling in grain and agricultural products.
President Taft wants to stop trading in grain futures. Representative Burleson has been leading a crusade in the house against it.

JAMES SHIELDS TO GO AFTER HOME SEEKERS

**Will Journey Northward on January 1
to Bring New Citizens for
Concho County.**

James Shields, real estate dealer, has great faith in the Concho country, and he is going to make an effort to imbue some good people of the North and East with this same faith. Mr. Shields will go north on January 1 and expects to bring back with him a number of well-to-do people who will seek real estate investments here. The live, wide-awake real estate man is a valuable asset when it comes to populating a new country, and Mr. Shields is doing his part in this direction. No better work can be done for this section than the bringing of more good citizens, and it is to be hoped that Mr. Shields will meet with even greater success than he anticipates.

WILL FIGHT NO MORE.

**Bob Fitzsimmons Declares He Will
Never Enter Ring Again.**

Publishers Press.
Sydney, Australia, Dec. 27.—Bob Fitzsimmons, who was knocked out Monday night by Bill Lang, says he will never fight again. Twenty-four hours' difference in time made the fight occur on Sunday night by American time.

CORSET STEEL BALKS ATTEMPT

**Bullet Fired at Her Through Window
Is Deflected.**

Chicago, Dec. 27.—A corset steel probably saved the life of Miss Ethel Ellthuber when a shot was fired through her bedroom window in her home in an attempt to kill her.
The shades were drawn, but Miss Ellthuber was standing near the window, her shadow on the curtain gave the would-be murderer his mark. When the bullet struck her she ran into the kitchen, where the other members of the family were seated, crying, "I am shot! I am shot!" The bullet went through her dress, but when it struck the corset it glanced off.

Wants Elephants Too.

New York, Dec. 27.—The scarcity of elephants in Cuba has caused a Cuban planter to refuse to accept a shipment of machinery delivered to his order by a New York manufacturer. The contract called for light machinery that could be packed inland on mules, but the plaintiffs' complaint recites that the elephants arrived they could only be carried by elephants.

AGAINST INCREASE.

**Western States Do Not Want Home-
seekers' Rate Raised.**

Publishers Press.
Chicago, Ill., Dec. 27.—Western business organizations in Colorado, Oregon, Washington, Texas and other immigration states will petition the railroads not to put into effect the \$5 raise in the homeseekers' rate which is scheduled to become effective on January 1.

TAKE MURDERER FROM JAIL AND SHOOT HIM DEAD

**CANYON CITY, ORE., THROWN IN
TO FUROR OF EXCITEMENT
BY EXECUTION.**

INDIAN COUPLE FOUND MURDERED

**Awful Crime Discovered in Washing-
ton With Minister and Wife
the Victims of a
Fiend.**

Publishers Press.
Canyon City, Ore., Dec. 27.—This town was thrown into a furor of excitement when five masked men entered the city jail and took Orville Snyder from his cell and shot him to death today. Snyder, who is white, shot and killed Arthur Green Christmas eve. The executioners did their work systematically and no attempt was made by the authorities to hold them in check.

NEW FIRM ENTERS ABSTRACT BUSINESS

**J. R. Wright and H. A. Bullock Buy
the Books of Jos. Spence, Jr.
An Old Business.**

J. R. Wright and H. A. Bullock have purchased the Joseph Spence, Jr., abstract books and business. The abstract business acquired in this purchase is among the oldest business institutions in the city, having been run continuously since 1886. Mr. Wright of the new firm has had 27 years experience in the abstract business. Mr. Bullock has been in the real estate business in this city for the past five years, and for some time has been a member of the firm of Hassell, Bullock & Co. Messrs. Wright and Bullock will conduct an abstract and real estate business at the office heretofore occupied by the Joseph Spence, Jr., abstract company, 115 Chadbourne street.

Let Out of Jail to Wed.

Denver, Colo., Dec. 27.—James Zavis, after an absence of twenty-nine minutes from the city jail, during which time he made a call upon his sweetheart, and, finding her about to entertain another man, threw his rival down the stairs and then jumped out of the second-story window at 1121 Nineteenth street, was returned to custody.

Zavis had been released on the plea of Pauline Haney, his fiancée, and himself that their marriage was to occur the next day.

Tobacco War on in Indiana.

Evansville, Ind., Dec. 27.—Lively development of tobacco growing in Southern Indiana has been followed by the lissension characteristic of the industry, and a dozen barns in Spencer and Warrick counties have been burned in the last few days.

Jolt for Americans.

Berlin, Dec. 27.—The general manager of a manufacturing firm, an American, has been fined \$37.50 by the court at Rostok for having sent an advertisement through the mails heavily bordered with black, as though the communication were a death notice. The court held that such an advertisement was a gross misdemeanor and stated that the punishment would have been more severe had the court not taken into account the fact that the accused was an American and had brought with him to Germany the advertising customs of his country.

Minister and Wife Killed.

Publishers Press.
Washington, Ind., Dec. 27.—Rev. William Ritter and wife were found murdered in their home near Elkhart today. Mr. Ritter had been thrown down the cellar and his wife was choked to death. The murder evidently took place on Christmas day. No motive for the crime is known.

Another Blizzard.

Publishers Press.
Washington, Dec. 27.—Another blizzard is scheduled for the eastern states by the weather bureau.

JUMP IN STOCK OF ROCK ISLAND IS A SENSATION

**RUMORED AT NEW YORK EX-
CHANGE THAT 30-POINT RAISE
WILL BE INVESTIGATED.**

CLOSED AT 39 1-2; SOON SELLS AT 80

**Claimed There Is Corner in Market.
Officials Disclaim Knowledge of
Cause—Explained Clerk
Made Error.**

Publishers Press.
New York, Dec. 27.—That the big jump in Rock Island stock in today's market will be investigated by the Governor's Stock Exchange is the rumor going the rounds in financial circles. The report that the clerk who handled the order erred in receiving is not accepted. Rock Island officials are non-committal on the cause for the advance. The belief here is strong that there is a corner in the stock and sensational developments are looked for.

Publishers' Press.

New York, Dec. 27.—Fluctuations in the Rock Island common stock caused a big scandal on the stock market today. The stock rose over 30 points in a half hour, being bid up from 55 1/2 to \$11 1/2.

This is the first time since 1901 that the stock has been cornered. Heavy buying from London started the Rock Island stock upward at the opening of the market. The price started to decline immediately after the high water mark was touched. A sudden reaction from the highest point carried down others among the railroad stocks, and Southern Pacific dropped 5 points. Nearly all others slumped from 1 to 3 points.

Rock Island declined more rapidly than it rose, making it evident that the stock was manipulated to the disadvantage of small investors. Amalgamated copper dropped 2 points and Anaconda 2 points. Harriman stocks rallied, but Reading dropped 2 points. All bonds unchanged. Call money, 5 1/4 per cent. The market closed weak and panicky.

PINCHOT SAYS MONEYED MEN ARE IN FIGHT

Publishers Press.
New York, Dec. 27.—Forester Gifford Pinchot, in a speech here today at the University Club, declared that "certain moneyed interests" are inspiring attacks upon him and his work.

FUNERAL OF REMINGTON.

**Body of Famous Painter is Taken to
Canton, N. C.**

Publishers' Press.
New York, Dec. 27.—The body of Frederick Remington, the painter and author, who died Sunday, was taken to Canton, N. C., today for burial. Remington's pictures made cowboys famous the world over.

Baker Resigns.

Publishers Press.
Austin, Tex., Dec. 21.—R. H. Baker today tendered his resignation as president and general manager of the Trinity & Brazos Valley Railroad, to take effect February 1.

Rufus Rogers Dead.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 27.—Rufus Rogers, a brother of the late H. H. Rogers, Rockefeller's partner, died today of heart disease.

Andrew Carnegie Hurt.

Publishers Press.
New York, Dec. 27.—Andrew Carnegie hurt one of his legs severely today by falling on the ice in Central Park.

ZELAYA FINDS REFUGE IN MEXICO CITY; AMERICA DISPLEASED AT ACTION OF DIAZ

BLIZZARD RAGES IN NEW YORK; PORTUGAL FLOODS DO DAMAGE

Publishers Press.
New York, Dec. 27.—Yesterday's blizzard still has New York, and the eastern states crippled. More than a foot of snow fell and some of the drifts are three and four feet high. Fifteen thousand men are working to get the city streets cleaned. All trains are delayed. The storm in this vicinity claimed a score of victims.

Publishers Press.
Madrid, Dec. 27.—Recent floods on the Portuguese frontiers have been followed by freezing weather, causing intense suffering among the poorer classes. The inaccessibility of the regions devastated makes it extremely hard to render aid to the sufferers, and it is estimated that the number of dead may go into the thousands.

Publishers Press.

Lisbon, Portugal, Dec. 27.—The most destructive storms in years have raged in southern European waters since December 1. Seven hundred vessels have been reported lost at sea since the first of the present month, and the money loss is estimated at \$30,000,000.

No estimate of the loss of life is made, but the number of drowned, it is expected, will be large.

TEACHERS GATHER FOR INSTITUTE WORK

**OPENING SESSION MONDAY MORN-
ING AT CENTRAL SCHOOL.**

W. L. Hughes, in Opening Address, Pays Respects to the Superintendents of Texas—The Work.

Practically every school district in Tom Green county is represented in the gathering at the Central school building, where the Tom Green County Teachers' Institute is holding its regular mid-winter session. About seventy-five teachers are in attendance, and the meeting is one of great interest.

The institute convened Monday morning and will continue in session until Friday afternoon. W. L. Hughes, county superintendent of public instruction, who delivered the opening address, made some remarks of rather pointed nature, among which was the statement that he took most of the county superintendents to be petty politicians or worn-out pedagogues.

"The county superintendents of this state are not very brainy or scholarly looking," said Mr. Hughes. "I had an opportunity last summer at their annual convention to get a look at some of them. Most of them I took to be petty politicians or worn-out pedagogues who were on the mercy of the people and were given these places to keep them from starving. I think it a grand thing to pension worn-out teachers, but do not believe it should be done at the expense of the school children of the state. Yet if a county is blessed with a good superintendent, what can he do toward benefiting and raising the standards of the schools except in an indirect way? He is not allowed to equip his school houses, and my experience has been that a kick is raised if he even enforces the law. Until the state of Texas takes school affairs out of politics we are going to drift. I believe the county superintendents of this or any other state should receive their office by appointment and that after a competitive examination as to their scholarship and qualifications to hold the office. This would insure the country children as good supervision as the city children, and the country children are as justly entitled to good supervision as the city children."

Mr. Hughes' address was replete with interesting observations, and was listened to with much interest by the teachers.

Conference of Education.
"The Texas Conference of Education" was the subject of an address by Prof. Carpenter, superintendent of the Brownwood schools. The speaker outlined the objects of this organization, stating that some of the best men in the state were assisting in his work. It has undertaken, which is the aiding and upbuilding of the cause of education in Texas in every way possible.

Prof. Cooper made a strong plea for aid for the organization, which, he contended, is doing a noble work for the children of the state in the promotion of education.

An interesting and instructive address was that of H. J. Wilson of Carlsbad, who had for his subject "The Missionary Work of the Teacher." Some time was devoted to the discussion of the ideas advanced by Mr. Wilson.

A feature of the Monday afternoon session of the institute was a paper on drawing by Miss Willie Johnson, which drew forth an interesting discussion. The institute will resume its work Tuesday morning.

HUSBAND SAYS SHE SHOCKED SHIP CREW; WENT IN SWIMMING

**NEW YORK "400" ASTOUNDED AT
ALLEGATIONS IN DIVORCE SUIT.**

**Jack Gallatin In Petition Relates Ex-
periences on Yachting Cruise, With
Other Domestic Troubles.**

Publishers' Press.

New York, Dec. 27.—Aristocratic society was shocked at the allegations made in a suit for separation filed by "Jack" Gallatin, a rich member of the "four hundred," who alleges that his wife is a drunkard and says that during a cruise on their private yacht she took off all her clothing in front of the crew and leaped overboard for a swim in the ocean.

Gallatin says his wife drank so heavily that she broke her health down and he sat up every night at her bedside.

SHERIFF M'CONNELL GOES TO HARRIETT

Sheriff McConnell and Deputy Walter Spears, in response to a call for officers from Harriet, a small station eight miles east of San Angelo, on the Santa Fe, left for that place late Monday night. The little town was the scene of great disorder over an alleged attempt to kill and it was reported that a mob had formed in search for one of the principals. The report could not be confirmed, however.

CHRISTMAS PIE FOR TAFT.

**Union Bakers of New York Sent Pastry
Guarded by Four Men.**

Publishers' Press.
Washington, Dec. 27.—Union pie bakers of New York were determined that the Taft household should be supplied with pie for Christmas. Accordingly, members of the union baked a fifty-pound pie and sent it to the president. To guard against any mishap to the huge piece of pastry, four members of the union were sent along to look after it and see it safely delivered. A similar pie was lost en route, and the union concluded to take no chances on the Christmas pie going astray.

BRYAN MUCH IMPROVED.

**Commoner at Havana and Will Leave
Soon for Brazil.**

Publishers' Press.
Havana, Dec. 27.—W. J. Bryan arrived here tonight from Tampa, Fla., much improved in health. He leaves soon for Brazil.

The Weather.

Publishers Press.
Washington, Dec. 27.—Cloudy in South Texas; west winds.

**DEPOSED RULER OF NICARAGUA
WILL SEND FOR FAMILY AND
WILL GO TO BELGIUM.**

UNITED STATES AND MEXICO ARE AT OUTS

**State Department Indicates Displeas-
ure at Imprisonment of James
Cook at Guadaluajara.**

Publishers' Press.

Mexico City, Dec. 27.—Zelaya is coming here to spend several months. If the climate agrees with him, and he will send for his family. He expects ultimately to go to Europe, likely to Belgium.

Publishers' Press.

Mexico City, Dec. 27.—Former President Zelaya of Nicaragua arrived in Salina Cruz on the Mexican gunboat General Guerrero. The Mexican authorities say they do not anticipate any trouble with the United States because of the assistance given Zelaya, as he applied to the commander of the vessel as a private citizen.

Department Displeased.

Publishers' Press.
Washington, Dec. 27.—The state department has indicated its displeasure at Mexico on account of the imprisonment of James Cook, an American citizen, in a Mexican jail at Guadaluajara, where he is denied bail and trial.

Publishers' Press.

Washington, Dec. 27.—Although Zelaya has resigned the presidency of Nicaragua and fled to Mexico, the relations between the unstable government of that country and the United States are still very much unsettled, to say the least.

The refusal today by Secretary Knox to receive the credentials of Minister Castellanos from the new Estrada government of Nicaragua tends to further complicate a situation that was already quite complex.

Zelaya's landing on Mexican soil has also added a new phase to the imbroglio, but nothing has been given out here to indicate what steps, if any, the American government will take to apprehend Nicaragua's former president.

Zelaya Makes Speech.

Publishers' Press.
Salina Cruz, Mexico, Dec. 27.—Zelaya made a speech here from the deck of the Mexican gunboat Guerrero, but did not mention the United States. He said Mexico was his second fatherland.

The General Guerrero flew both the Mexican and Nicaraguan flags.

Sails for Bluefields.

Colon, Dec. 27.—The United States cruiser Prall today sailed for Bluefields, Nicaragua.

LOCAL PARTY OFF FOR HUNTING TRIP

**QUARTETTE OF SAN ANGELO MEN
LEAVE FOR OZONA.**

**Dr. Cooper, E. S. Hamilton, Jeff Moore
and W. E. Nelson After Deer,
Ammunition Enough for T. R.**

Poor—deer, poor little deer, especially those in the Crockett county section, for four able bodied, lynx-eyed and stout-legged individuals of this place on Monday left for Ozona, where they will rendezvous, for the purpose of seeing the deer killing season out.

These four were Dr. Cooper, Edgar S. Hamilton, Jeff Moore and W. E. Nelson, and they each carried ammunition enough to run Mr. Roosevelt through a whole African season of a \$1 a word campaign.

It is said that several deer have been fattened on cleaned rice and bran mash especially for these hunters and that the outlook for greater success than their imaginations has conjured could not be possible.

This party will return Thursday or Friday and if they bring back bunks of venison to all those who have been promised fruits of this chase, they will not leave a single deer alive this side of the Pecos.

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IT'S UP TO YOU.

The wet spell that still lingers with us means more than the mud that is to be seen upon Chadbourne street. It means that Mother Earth now has sufficient moisture stored to insure splendid small grain crops next year, and the present thorough seasoning is a good augury that the coming year will be a year of plenty.

The Press-News believes now, and has long believed, there is ample precipitation in this part of Texas each year to insure successful harvests, when any section secures a season insuring favorable harvests.

It is not a consummation of wishes for more rains that West Texas needs; it is a conservation of the rainfall that may reasonably be expected in this section.

Until experiments demonstrate the best methods of conserving the moisture in the soil, stability will never be a fixture in West Texas, viewed agriculturally. Until stability comes to agriculture, the prosperity of West Texas is bound to always be more of a matter of chance good seasons, than otherwise.

This question brings us face to face with two of the crying needs of San Angelo. One is more farmers, more producers of wealth, to sustain a continued growth of this city; and the other is, how to obtain these actual settlers.

The Press-News believes that the proposition that would pay this city even greater returns than securing another railroad, aye, even one to San Antonio, would be the establishing and operating of an experimental farm, conducted along scientific lines and in a manner entirely practical.

In the matter of an experimental farm, it is a hard question to say who ought not to be called upon to contribute to the maintenance of such a farm. But it is not a hard matter to state who ought to take the initiative in the premises. The Press-News holds that it is the duty of the state, not as a gift of the citizens, but as the means of increasing the wealth of Texas—and an increase in the wealth of Texas means an increase in the volume of taxes paid—to blaze this trail. The Press-News further believes that such an experimental farm should be founded by the state and sustained by the state, without the great commonwealth of Texas putting up the prize at auction to be sold to the highest bidder in the same manner that state fish are disposed of at fishing centers.

The state makes no progress not propelled by the people; not in a country of the form of ours, anyway. To secure this experimental farm it behooves the people of this section to begin laying plans for a long campaign. Every detail should be carefully investigated—not after the balloons have been cast—but now, right now.

The Press-News is frank enough to admit that San Angelo today is a city of greater size and greater importance than the present undeveloped sustaining powers of the country tributary to this place warrant. But a continuation of this same line of candor compels us to admit that our powers of imagination are not strong enough to depict the kind of city San Angelo would be with the tributary country under intensified agriculture.

We ought, in justice to ourselves, see to it that those who are willing to transform the wilderness of prairie now surrounding this place into fertile fields have charted courses to follow that will insure success as a reward to their efforts. There is but one means by which these charts can be made, and that is through actual experimentation. Theories, while intense in their logic, must make pause when confronted by Mother Earth, at least until they have been given a trial and have been found not wanting.

It is up to us, squarely up to us, to you and to me. We cannot afford to sit idle and see the great advantages of the hour slip by us, nor can we afford to stand mute and deaf while opportunity is knocking at our very doors. Let The Press-News, in all earnestness, ask: "What are you going to do about it?"

DO IT NOW.

A great statesman once declared, "We are confronted by a condition, not a theory."

Have you observed Chadbourne street lately?

The squelching slush is a music sweet to the ears of the tillers of the soil, but it is a deadening damper on those who take a pardonable pride in the greatness of San Angelo.

We know that when suggestions are made relative to paving Chadbourne street they but elicit the hundred and one reasons every one clothed with authority can cite, why it cannot now be done.

The Press-News wants to hear none of these reasons. The Press-News wants to see Chadbourne street paved.

It has been said that where there's a will, a way can always be found. The Press-News believes there's a powerful amount of willingness in San Angelo right now to pave Chadbourne street. The Press-News calls upon the fortunate and unfortunate ones who have been given the reins of government to square their actions to the voice of the people.

It is said that a special charter must first be secured before this leading thoroughfare can be paved. That's a lawyer's reason. In answer to this proposition, The Press-News cites the fact that Stamford, a place less than ten years old, and having less than 7000 people, has 14 blocks of paved streets, 25 miles of concrete sidewalks and no special charter.

What Stamford has done, San Angelo ought to be able to do.

The trouble is there are too many people hunting for a reason why Chadbourne street cannot be paved; too few people seeking to find a way to pave that street.

Plant trees.

Pave Chadbourne street.

Don't be a back number. Pay your poll tax.

Dr. Cook got the hook. The Press-News had it first.

A tidal wave hit Boston. Betcher it got a wordy reception.

Only a little longer and the off year in politics will be a thing of the past. McDuff will do a lot of laying on during 1910.

The Houston Post says that Peary should invite scrutiny. If Peary is wise he will invite solitude. The world is tired right now of too much polarity.

Admiral Dewey has celebrated his 72d birthday. Admiral Dewey knows where the house of too much trouble is located.

The Fort Worth Record of Monday didn't carry enough advertising to wad a 16-gauge shotgun. If the Record carried the amount of advertising it ought to have it would never have less than 32 pages.

It's a precious good thing that Christmas comes but once a year, for if we had two Christmases in this week in San Angelo, Santa Claus wouldn't be able to replenish his pack here. A better Christmas trade than the one enjoyed this year has never been the portion of the merchants of this city.

Frederick Remington, the great depicter of Western scenes, is dead. Remington was a master mind with a marvelous capacity to cling close to the greatest truths of nature. Whether in marble, or on canvas, his Western expressions of genius had a Western flavor and were reflections of Western thoughts. The world can ill afford to lose such a man.

And in passing, let us not forget to return thanks at the proper moment for the splendid decision made by the Kansas judge who held the bank deposit guarantee law of that state unconstitutional. The courts, after all, save us most frequently from committing hari-kari. The Press-News holds that this vicious measure is one that weakens strong banks without in like proportion strengthening weak banks. Let us trim our sails to catch every favoring breeze that blows us to the port of saner and better things.

Reese Fowler, the daring revolutionist fighting in Nicaragua, is a typical product of Texas, and he knows not the nature of fear. Those who heard him on that notable occasion will recall the words he used in introducing Senator Bailey to an audience in Palestine: "My fellow citizens," said Capt. Fowler, "the class of anti-Bailey leaders we have in Palestine is a fair sample of the anti-Bailey pack leaders in the state. Need I pay a higher tribute to any man than to say that he has excited the hate of such men as these?" Then Capt. Fowler proceeded to fire seven broadsides a second for about five minutes and every shot hit.

Merry Christmas

TO ALL

From

Concho Drug Store

PHONE 8

PITHY EDITORIAL POINTS

Can't Name Him.

Col. Henry Watterson admits that he is unable at present to name the next Democratic candidate for president. Why should Col. Watterson, or anybody else, bother about the matter? That is Bryan's job.—Abilene Morning News.

Disgrace to State.

Senator Hudspeeth, who is a member of the penitentiary investigating board, says the whole system is corrupt and brands it as a disgrace to the state. The Democratic party cannot afford to permit such a condition of affairs to continue. It has gone on too long now, and the sooner the dominant party rights the wrongs, the sooner will public confidence in its purpose to afford a nest government be established.—Merizon Star.

That North Pole.

The North Pole must have become interested in the Peary-Cook controversy and moved itself down into this section, in order to be closer to headquarters. At least, the cold weather that has been so fierce and prolonged indicates that the Pole is not so far away as our usual sunny Italian skies would suggest.—Miles Messenger.

If Zelaya could get to his savings in Brussels he would not hesitate a moment about paying his nephew's breach of promise suit.—Austin Statesman.

Wasn't Declared Innocent.

The Belton Journal-Reporter says that it cannot understand how Pierce can be guilty of violating the anti-trust laws of the state which subjected him to a fine of nearly two million dollars, and still be innocent of the charge of false swearing. The Journal-Reporter falls into the error of assuming Pierce's innocence. The

courts did not declare him innocent, but he was turned loose on the ground that his own testimony could not be used to convict him of crime, although it could be used to subject his company to a fine.—Brownwood Bulletin.

Not Particular Who.

Not having any choice in the race for governor, this paper is going to be perfectly free to criticize any candidate in the race and publish criticisms pro and con from other papers. And we'll be perfectly unbiased in doing so, too.—Abilene Morning News.

Let's again say that Gov. Campbell is doing better. We take great pleasure in commending the manner in which he is dealing with the penitentiary matters, and are wondering who is his new advisor.

Carbolic Acid in Capsules.

New Albany, Ind., Dec. 27.—Mrs. Pearl Armstrong, whose husband died recently, was placed in jail. Armstrong had been ill for some time and circumstances attending his death caused an investigation by the coroner, which resulted in the wife's arrest. A servant girl testified that Mrs. Armstrong gave her husband six capsules containing carbolic acid and that she put on a pair of gloves when she filled the capsules. The poison, she said, was administered in doses one hour apart.

Diamond From a Rooster's Gizzard.

Caldwell, N. J., Dec. 27.—John Carroll, a farmer, near Montville, killed a nine pound rooster on Sunday morning for the family dinner. In the gizzard of the bird he found a white stone, which a jeweler told him was worth \$75.

The Tripping Tongue.

"Henry Peck, you're a fool!" "You didn't seem to think so when I was single." "No, you never showed what a big fool you were until you married me."—Exchange.

CHRISTMAS

Comes but once a year. The First National Bank of San Angelo is here every day in the year, and has been here for 27 years.

We again tender you our services as your bankers.

First National Bank

of San Angelo, Texas

Capital	\$250,000.00
Surplus and Profits	175,000.00
	\$425,000.00
Shareholders' Additional Liability	250,000.00
Total Security to Depositors	\$675,000.00

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Tickets on sale Dec. 22, 23, 24, 25, 26,

30, 31, 1909 and Jan. 1, 1910. Good

to return until Jan. 5, 1910.

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City Passenger Agent

PHONE 491

POSTOFFICE BUSY.

Christmas Mails Larger Than Those of Previous Years.

San Angelo's postoffice has been the busiest place in the city during the past week. The Christmas season always makes business for the postoffice, but this Christmas has broken records in the local postoffice.

"While I have not checked up the business of the office," said Postmaster Blanchard, "it is easily seen that the volume of business is larger than that of any previous Christmas."

The great accumulation of packages and gifts of various kinds has not yet been cleared away entirely, but the postoffice force is handling it with all possible dispatch and making rapid inroads into the huge pile.

To Open New Business.

Frank W. Roberts, merchant and postmaster at Sherwood, is in the city on business. Mr. Roberts states that he will open a store at the new town of Mertzon about January 1. The building has just been completed, and the work of putting in the stock will start in a day or two.

ELKS GIVEN DANCE.

Lodge Members to Entertain Friends Wednesday Evening.

The local lodge of Elks is preparing to tender a Christmas dance to its members and visiting friends on Wednesday evening. This occasion promises to be the grand finale of a brilliant social season in San Angelo and it goes without saying that the magnificent reputation for boundless hospitality enjoyed by the local lodge of Elks will on this occasion receive added lustre.

Irion County Sheriff Here.

W. C. Castleberry, sheriff of Irion county, is in attendance on the district court here. Mr. Castleberry is now serving his second term in that office and his friends say that he will be in the next campaign. Mr. Castleberry is also tax collector for his county and were it not for the latter fact he would have a lot of spare time on his hands. The sheriff end of the year does not require much time, he says as the jail stands empty for months at a time.

YALE THEATER

New Year Matinee and
SATURDAY NIGHT, JAN. 1st

The favorite Comedy of the Continent
The Missouri Girl

All Special Scenery
Positively Used Here

It's the Big City Show
The "Laughest" Yet

You'll laugh till you are blue in the face

Get seats at Owl Drug Store. Get them
now. Prices: 75c and 50c. Children 25c
Matinee 25c, all seats



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PASTORS NOT TO SHOVEL SNOW.
Bishop Lawrence Doesn't Want Them to Mow Church Lawns, Either.
Boston, Dec. 27.—Bishop Lawrence of the Massachusetts diocese of the Episcopal church has set his seal of disapproval on church fairs and entertainments. He wants the affairs of the parishes conducted on a more dignified and business-like basis. He also makes a strong plea that the rectors' salaries be one of the first items in parish expenditures.
These are some of the things the bishop touches upon in a pastoral letter just issued by him.
"I occasionally come across a clergyman who, unpractical or careless in finances, does not pay his debts. I have no excuse to offer for him. Above all other institutions the church should bear a high name for financial honor.
"There is as a rule money enough in the people's income to support the church. One discovers this when some object of special interest arrives. I have known a parish to raise enough money in a few weeks to purchase a fine organ, while their rector, an efficient man, silently endured the shame of unpaid bills because his salary was in arrears. I know of few more cruel situations than that of a faithful clergyman who, keenly sensitive, has not been paid his salary, and therefore cannot pay his bills because of the listlessness of the vestry and people.
"The grass on the church lawns should not be left to the minister to cut, neither should the snow on the sidewalks before the churches be cleaned by him; neither should the sidewalks be the last on the street to be cleaned.
"The wardens of the churches should hire some one to do these things and not depend on the willingness of the clergy to fill in the gaps."

SEASON IN GROUND BEST IN MANY YEARS

STOCKMEN ARE ELATED OVER SNOW AND RAIN.

J. W. Thornhill Tells of Splendid Conditions Now Prevailing in Reagan County.

"Whenever the Concho country gets a fair season of moisture in the winter, farmers and stockmen are practically assured of good times for the coming year."
This is an expression that has been heard from dozens of old-timers recently, and if they are correct in this theory, as they doubtless are, a bountiful share of prosperity is in store for the farmers and stockmen of this section during the year now about to make its advent.

Not in several years, so the old-timers say, has the earth been so well saturated with moisture at this time of the year as it is now. Several good rains have fallen recently, followed by the snow of a few days ago, which was soaked with a good rain before it melted. The rain and snow came in such a way that it all went into the ground, and every drop of moisture was conserved.

"I believe the ground is wet to a depth of five feet out in Reagan county," says J. W. Thornhill, who has just returned from a visit to that county. "I made my home in Reagan county for several years," said Mr. Thornhill, "and I have never seen the ground in better condition at this time of year. It makes a splendid foundation for grass and field crops for next year. People out that way already feel pretty well assured of making good crops next year and having fine grass for their cattle."

Others tell a similar story to that of Mr. Thornhill. Cattlemen and sheepmen are delighted with the prospects for a bountiful crop of weeds, which will help out the pasturage wonderfully until grass comes again in the spring.

Man is Four.
He who knows not, and knows not he knows not.
He is a fool: shun him.
He who knows not, and knows he knows not.
He is simple: teach him.
He who knows, and knows not he knows.
He is asleep: awaken him.
He who knows, and knows he knows.
He is wise: follow him.
Arabian Adage.

Proverbs and Phrases.
It is hard to put old heads on young shoulders.—German.
It is right to be taught, even by an enemy.—Ovid.
It is the gentle mind that makes the gentleman.—French.

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CASES OF INFECTION SHOULD BE REPORTED

TWO MILD CASES OF DIPHTHERIA SAID TO EXIST IN SAN ANGELO.

City Health Officer Makes Appeal for Information of Any Contagious Disease Prevailing.

"Please announce that as city health officer I would greatly appreciate it if everyone having knowledge would report cases of infectious and contagious diseases in this city to me," said Dr. A. C. DeLong, city health officer, to a Press-News man Monday. "I am offering no criticism, but I am appealing to the people here for co-operation."

It may be stated that the reason for this appeal being made is that one or two mild cases of diphtheria have been reported to prevail here. Dr. DeLong has heard of these cases only in a roundabout manner. He ought to have direct and immediate knowledge of such cases, if, of course, they exist, as soon as such cases are discovered.

The Press-News believes that publicity is an agency for good and not for evil, hence The Press-News seconds Dr. DeLong's appeal for information along the lines he has asked for aid.

The Press-News does not know whether or not any infectious or contagious disease exists here. The Press-News does know, however, that no city enjoys continued immunity from calamitous visitations and San Angelo has no monopoly on good health.

If there are any infectious or contagious diseases prevailing here, then in the name of high heaven, the city health officer ought to be notified of such cases. If there are not, then the rumors that are abroad ought to be stamped with official denial. But by all means the city health officer ought to have abundant light. The penalty for failure to furnish light ought to be in keeping with the character of the dereliction.

No Pardon for Warren.
Hartford, Dec. 27.—Joan Warren, who has been in prison longer than any other man in this country, spent Christmas in his cell in the state prison at Westfield, as he has done for the last fifty years. The board of pardons has refused his petition for release, and as long as the board is constituted as it is it will continue to be understood in Connecticut that a life sentence means a life sentence.

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P. O. Department Robbed.
Somebody Has Got Away With a Valuable Hand-Painted Screen.

Washington, Dec. 27.—Despite the countless number of outer, inner, upper and lower guards surrounding the personal and official presence of Postmaster General Hitchcock, some enterprising individual with a taste for art has extracted a valuable screen from the room adjoining the postmaster general's. This screen, the upper part of which was hand-painted, was worth a good deal of money.
Ordinarily the bright-eyed young men who surround Mr. Hitchcock would detect anybody who attempted to walk off with a roll-top desk or some other piece of furniture, but on this occasion they all appear to have been asleep. The other day the screen was missed. It is about six feet high and six feet long, the lower portion being of Japanese work, and three upper panels having three scenes painted by an American artist.

Preacher Burns Liquors.
Carson City, Nev., Dec. 27.—D. F. E. Yoakum, founder of the Pisgah movement in Los Angeles, who professed to heal cripples and all diseases in the name of Christ, is here. He has started the greatest revival in the history of Nevada. Among the first things he did when he came here was to burn hundreds of gallons of liquors and many pounds of tobacco given him by mercantile establishments that have seen the error of their ways.

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Aged Woman Burned to Death.
Dunkirk, Dec. 27.—Mrs. Margaret Hungerford, 80 years old, a prominent woman of Westfield, N. Y., was burned to death at her home in that village today. The fire was discovered by a woman living next door, who rushed into the building and smothered the flames with a blanket. She found the charred remains of the unfortunate woman in the room. It is thought Mrs. Hungerford's dress caught fire by a spark from the fireplace. She is survived by two sons, W. J. Hungerford, a well-known business man of Westfield, and George Hungerford, with whom she lived, and who was out of town at the time of the fatality.

A Woman Sporting Editor.
Miss Ina Louise Young, sporting editor of the Trinidad (Colo.) Chronicle-News, enjoys the distinction of being the only young lady in all newspaperdom who makes a specialty of writing sports. Miss Young's special line is baseball, and she is thoroughly versed in all of the details of the big American game. She accompanies the Trinidad team on the summer tour and handles the accounts of the games that are published. In "off seasons" or rather when the baseball season is finished, she returns to Trinidad and rejoins the paper for ordinary reportorial work.—Exchange.

It is well to profit by the folly of others.—Dutch.

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MISCREANT SHOOTS BILLY ANSON'S MARE
Mystery in Bullet Wound in Hind Leg of Animal on Ranch Near Christoval.

Billy Anson, who has the Head-of-the-River ranch, near Christoval, had his Christmas season rudely interrupted with a bit of bad news and the bad news was real bad at that. Billy was enjoying the cheer and the spirit of the season at Loomis' ranch, where the guests were receiving entertainment with the precedents of this household, which means that enjoyment was the rule of the hour, when he received word that some one, either miscreant or wayfarer, had sent a rifle ball crashing through the hind leg of one of his imported Suffolk-Punch mares.
"I can't understand it," said Mr. Anson, "for this mare was pastured in a lot containing only about 300 acres and there's not a deer in 50 miles of my place. I don't know whether or not we will be able to save the mare, but of course I have hopes of success. You see, she is a heavy animal and the matter of swinging her while the leg mends is a problem that will require considerable thought to be solved."

Real Estate Transfers.
Paul, Abstract and Title Company's report, recorded December 27, 1909:
P. Battle to Bert Cox, \$140; conveys lot 5, in block 26, Angelo Heights addition.
J. R. Brubaker to W. H. Griffin, \$500; conveys lots 1 and 2, in block 56, Angelo Heights addition.
L. O. Hicks to C. W. Reeder, \$2000; conveys lots 3 and 4, in block 58, Angelo Heights addition.
E. E. Bailey to J. D. Hansell, \$30 and other valuable consideration; conveys 1-6th interest in block 23, Angelo Heights addition.
H. A. Bullock to J. D. Hassell, \$650; conveys north 32 feet of lot 3 and all of lot 4, in block 211-2, Main Part San Angelo.
C. W. Reeder to James Castleberry, \$1200; conveys lots 5, 6, 7 and 8, in block 6, Marx & Blum addition.
W. C. Parker et ux. to Frank Adams, \$150; conveys lot 1, in block 11, Angelo Heights addition.

Money Orders By Cable.
London, Dec. 27.—The Postmaster General has entered into an agreement with the Western Union Telegraph company for an exchange through that company of telegraph money orders between the United Kingdom on one hand and Canada and the United States on the other after January 1, 1910. The maximum amount for which a single money order may be sent here will be 40 pounds sterling. For orders issued in the United States and Canada for payment in the United Kingdom the maximum amount will be 41 pounds, 1s. 4d., which is the equivalent of \$260.

Holiday Fares
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Medals for Flight.

Paris, Dec. 27.—The Academy of Sciences has decided to award gold medals for aerial flights to the following aviators: Bleriot, Henri Farman, Count de Lambert, Latham, Santos-

Dumont, Count De la Vaux, Gabriel Voisin, Orville and Wilbur Wright and Count Zeppelin.

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JEFFRIES AS A TEXT.

Preacher Thinks He Can't "Come Back" and Points a Moral.

Paterson, N. J., Dec. 27.—"Can Jeffries Come Back?" was the title of a sermon preached last night by the Rev. John Hamilton Timbrell in the Cedar Mill Methodist Episcopal church. The preacher took his text from the Book of Judges, and after describing as pathetic and humiliating the downfall of Samson, he said it pointed a moral to the case of Jeffries. "Can the old-time champion come back?" the preacher asked, and then he said:

"This question so far as its sporting phase is concerned may have little or no interest to us save as it touches a great fundamental principle that is of interest to all thinking men, and one which may lead many of them to read what they otherwise would not, the sporting pages of the sporting papers, to see if Jeffries can come back."

"What is the point in this case?" Jeffries won the belt and much lucre and then stepped out of the ring to have a good time and enjoy himself, and for five years, like Samson, with

a runner, jumper, fighter, ball player or participant in any other branch of sport, if he stops training for three or four years he can never regain his lost form! He furthermore says: 'I have never seen an exception to the rule.'

"Back of this statement of the trainer, and looking out upon us through it, is a fundamental principle that is as solemn as the day of judgment, a principle that will be found to hold everywhere in the universe of God, the momentousness of which may cause us for the time being to overlook the fact that our attention is called to it through the malodorous channels of the pugilistic ring."

Found Guilty of Murder.

"Guilty of murder in the first degree," was the verdict returned by the big audiences at the National theater last week against "The Missouri Girl" and her associates, and the company was duly sentenced to play a return date at the same theater early in the fall.

The verdict occasioned much merriment as the murdered parties, Messrs.

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his head in the lap of Delilah. Jeffries has slept with his head in the lap of a luxurious and bibulous life.

While he has slept a big black gorilla has come into the ring and has put the world of sport into about the same condition that ancient Israel was in when Goliath of Gath was swaggering about and bragging of what he could do in the presence of the crowd that was sore afraid to tackle him. And the pugilistic crowd is looking the world over to find some champion who can stand up to the gorilla and down him and take the belt, which means about the same thing to these modern heathens as the wreath of laurel meant to the ancient heathen in the Corinthian games. And with desperation in their glances they turn to Jeffries with this question, which means far more than a laurel wreath to them: Can Jeffries come back?

"A noted athletic trainer has given them his unbiased opinion. He is one of the best authorities on athletic training. And it is not reassuring to the crowd who are so eager to bet their shakels on Jeff. He says: 'It makes no difference whether a man is

Gloom, Despondency and Blues were not very popular in this community.

It is decidedly refreshing in these days of cheap vaudeville and picture shows to be permitted to witness a performance of such merit as the one given by "The Missouri Girl" company the past week.

Besides a very interesting plot, the comedy is simply immense, and the writer can safely guarantee that it will cause any crony individual to "come out of it" in the first act, and he will be more than willing to admit after the last act that life is really worth while.—J. D. B. in Chicago Record-Herald.

The Dallas News, in speaking of "The Missouri Girl," says:

"There have been so many off-color, barnstorming aggregations that have taken advantage of the theater-goers in this city that it was something of a pleasant surprise not to find 'The Missouri Girl' in the same class.

"A good sized audience 'took a chance' last night, and much enjoyed the clever acting, catchy songs and clean comedy of the production." Manager Coggin of the Yale has se-

cured this clever comedy for late of New Year, matinee and night, and theater-goers of this city should show their appreciation of a good production by packing the house on that date.

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I'LL METER TAKES THE HONORS AT RACE TRACK

ALBERT S., BILLY JOHNSON AND MISS MAY ALSO WIN.

Some Good Races Are Scheduled for the Last Day, and Large Attendance Is Expected.

The biggest honors in Monday's racing events at the Fair grounds were carried off by I'll Meter, the horse owned by Ed Russell, who was awarded the purse over Captain Stevenson and Bonart, the other participants in the three-quarter mile running race. Bonart, the racer which has been matched on several tracks in Texas, most recently at the San Antonio fair, finished ahead of the others in the race by two or more lengths, but the judges sustained the complaint of I'll Meter's rider, who declared that he was fouled by Bonart on the turn entering the home stretch. Captain Stevenson, also owned by local men, was therefore placed second in the result. The purse in this run was \$100.

The other winners Monday were Albert S., Billy Johnson and Miss May. Interest and enthusiasm in the races ran high Monday evening, and the ponies were loudly cheered. The contests attracted quite a delegation of race horse lovers from San Angelo.

The program opened at 2 o'clock with a half-mile pace or trot, three heats, and Albert S., a Tom Green county product, driven by Gibson, finished twice in the lead out of three. Joe Berry came home second and Hal Geers trailed in each heat. Albert S. made the half mile run in 1 minute and 17 seconds. The purse was \$100.

I'll Meter, whose record was 1 minute and 20 seconds, won the second race, and the next event was a broncho busting contest, in which Jack Lewis, a cowboy well known all over West Texas, featured.

In the third race Billy Johnson won. It was a quarter of a mile dash, and the other participants were Coke County Joe, Angelo Buck and Booger Red, who finished in the order given. Billy Johnson won only by half a length. The purse was \$30.

The last race, a quarter of a mile dash, proved the most interesting of all, when Miss May came under the wire less than half a length ahead of Starlight, who finished last. Harry Tracey won second place in the results of this race, and Del Bare third. All these horses are owned by Tom Green county men.

Today will witness the close of this series of races, which began Saturday afternoon. Several new horses will appear on the track today, it is said, and the attendance is expected to eclipse the past two days. Another feature of the program today will be the race between I'll Meter and Bonart, the two horses who were matched in the three-quarters mile dash Monday. The former was given the decision, but a controversy arose over it.

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The closing week of the year witnesses the most important movements of merchandise that has taken place in the history of the dry goods business in this city. This great sale has for its objects the getting rid of all winter goods, the reduction of the stock at this store to its minimum and the making of room for New Spring Merchandise, which will soon begin to put in its appearance here.

If you are economy-wise you will attend this sale and partake freely of the bargains offered. The cost of production has been forgotten. There is but one thing to do now--to turn this merchandise into the coin of the realm, to take it from our shelves and counters and put it in the bank. Can we count on you helping us do that, seeing that the loss is ours and we are willing, yes anxious, to sustain the same?

The sale begins Tuesday morning, December 28, and continues through the week.



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Here is where the loss shows greatest. Every one of these garments are arrivals of this fall and winter season. Every one is stylish and --well, just take a look at the extreme reductions.

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The \$3.50 grades on sale this week at	\$2.48
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The \$2.00 grades on sale this week at	\$1.38

Also a large lot of Tailored Style Waists that have been slightly soiled in handling. Values are up to \$3.50. Choice during this sale only **\$1.00**

Madras Waists at \$1.59. They are made of white madras, figured and are very attractive. The styles are very new and the grades of material of which they are made is especially good. \$2.00 is the regular price. Special at only **\$1.59**

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A Very Extra Special in Skirts. In this Skirt stock there are numerous odd garments. Some of them are colors and many are black. The styles are good, the materials of which they are made are better than are ordinarily contained in Skirts at this price and the assortment is naturally very large. We have gone through the stock and have taken them out to themselves. We offer choice of this lot, values up to \$10, at only **\$3.95**

Tailored Coat Suits at Less Than Half. Too many of these for inventory time. The word has gone forth that the stock must be reduced. Here are prices that will do the work. \$12.50 values are now on sale at **\$5.00**

\$15.00 values are now on sale at **\$7.50**

\$20.00 values are now on sale at **\$9.95**

\$25.00 values are now on sale at **\$12.45**

The choice suits of the entire stock, those ranging in price from \$27.50 to \$40.00, are offered, without regard for the original cost, at only **\$15.00**

Women's Coats at Half and Even Less. Clearing out time is here for all winter goods. These Coats must go along with the rest. This is an opportunity for getting high class wearables at a saving, a chance that may not come again in a decade.

Women's \$5.00 Coats, in many colors, now **\$2.50**

Women's \$12.50 Coats a large line, now **\$5.00**

Women's \$15.00 Coats, dozens of styles now **\$7.50**

Women's \$20.00 Coats, a big assortment now **\$9.95**

Women's \$25.00 Coats, splendid values now **\$12.50**

Women's Coats ranging in value from \$27.50 to \$35.00, the best we have and a most complete line of styles and colors **\$15.00**

Consider These Values in Women's Dresses. And to properly consider them it will be necessary to come here and see them. The offerings are such as you will not expect to find at such low prices. The \$5.00 and \$6.00 Dresses are reduced to **\$2.50**

The \$7.50 and \$8.50 Dresses are reduced to **\$4.00**

The \$12.50 Dresses are reduced to only **\$5.00**

The \$20.00 Dresses are reduced to only **\$7.50**

Some Silk Petticoats at Very Low Prices. Better get one of them now. You will want one later on and then you will be compelled to pay more for it. Be economy wise. Buy while the prices are reduced. \$5.00 and \$6.50 all silk taffeta Petticoats **\$3.95**

\$10.00 and \$12.50 taffeta silk Petticoats **\$7.45**

A Half-Price Sale on Holiday Left Overs

A number of the special lines of holiday goods are still well represented in this stock. Many people were denied the pleasure of seeing these lines of goods at their best before Christmas and to compensate them for coming now we offer to sell whatever we have left of these lines at EXACTLY HALF PRICE.

This means Teddy Bears, Rag Dolls, Bisque Dolls, Kid Body Dolls, Rubber Dolls, Japanese China and some other lines of goods. Prices can not be quoted on these things, obviously. Let it be sufficient to say that the assortment is still a good one and the values at this half price sale, are so attractive that we anticipate a rush in these lines.

If you were belated in getting some of the things for gift purposes or if Santa Claus did not comply with all of the requests of the little fellows for playthings of this nature, this sale will afford you an opportunity to obtain them at very low prices. Really, you will find it to your advantage that you did not buy before Christmas.

Men and Boys Clothing at Get-Out-of-Here Prices

They are needed here no longer. Come and get what you want of them before the other fellow beats you to the choicest offerings. These low prices will make business brisk in this department. Shopping during the morning hours means shopping at your leisure. Come early.

Men's Suits at \$4.45. They are made of all wool materials and are very good grades. We have been selling them right along at \$7.50, \$8.50 and as high as \$10.00, and offer you choice of a very large assortment. **\$4.45**

Men's Suits at \$5.50. These are those finer garments that have been selling at \$10 and some of them for more. The assortment of materials is very large and there are many styles. We offer choice of a large lot at only **\$5.50**

Men's Suits at \$7.50. We offer at this price choice of a very fine line of suits that have been selling at \$12.50, also a full line of sizes in a heavy corduroy suit at \$12.50 value. They are especially good and when they are seen will wonder how we can part with them at this price. Special **\$7.50**

Men's Suits at \$9.95. They are the regular \$15.00 sellers and the assortment includes all of the good colors of the season in many sorts of materials. A very out of the ordinary offering. Special **\$9.95**

Men's Suits at \$12.50. Here is a line worthy of the attention of all good dressers. The materials are the very best, the styles are particularly good and the workmanship is of the very highest class. These suits are \$20.00 sellers, now **\$12.50**

Men's Suits at \$15.00. They are the entire line of \$22.50 and \$25.00 suits of the very highest grades of manufacture. The styles are those that have been the most favored for the season and the offering makes a most unusual attraction. Choice at **\$15.00**

Boys' Suits at \$1.98. \$3.00 and \$4.00 grades they are and good styles, too. The line of materials is good and the values are particularly attractive. Choice during this sale at **\$1.98**

Boys' Suits at \$2.98. Values that formerly sold at from \$5.00 to \$6.00 are put out during this sale at this very low price. The assortment of styles, sizes and materials is complete. **\$2.98**

Boys' Overcoats \$1.98. They are regularly sold at from \$2.50 to \$3.50 and are good values at those prices. We offer choice of a very large assortment this week at only **\$1.98**

Boys' Overcoats \$3.98. These are values up to \$6.00 and the showing of styles is one of the best and most complete that this store has ever had. Any boy may be fitted. A very extra special **\$3.98**

Men's Hats at \$1.45. A large line of staple and novelty shapes in soft hats, all good sizes and a large assortment of styles, values up to \$2.50, on sale at only **\$1.45**

Men's Hats at \$2.15. Soft and stiff hats in novelty and staple shapes, grades that sell regularly at \$3.00 and \$3.50, a very comprehensive showing of styles and extra good values **\$2.15**

Here are offerings from various departments. The values are apparent to judges of good merchandise. The goods are new and well selected. We want to sell them. That is the story of this sale and the whole reason for putting such unheard-of low prices on them. Read the whole list. It may do you good.

Tuesday Morning at 9 there will be on display on our counters complete assortments of fine dress goods. The greater part of the stock is included in these two lots, one at 48c and the other at 98c. If you are interested in the purchase of anything in the Dress Goods line, come to the store at that time, later will do if you can not come so early, and see this splendid lot of offerings.

Lot number one is a line of Dress Goods that sold at from 65c to 85c a yard, and contains all of the good colors. The materials are of wool and the showing includes those black and white checks. We offer this line of goods at choice, **48c** per yard, only

Lot number two is composed of Dress materials of wool, selling formerly at from \$1.25 to \$1.75 per yard and includes all colors in plain weaves and many fancies. It is one of the best lines that we have ever shown at these prices and we offer choice of this lot at, per yard, **98c** only

Another line of popular materials is that line of fancy wash silks, including Sulzine and many other well known and advertised brands. The color assortment is very large and there are many patterns. It is a line of goods that sells regularly at 50c. We offer it special this week at, per yard **35c** only

Moire Silks at 79c. They are light colors, the grades are particularly good and the materials are a full yard wide. Values are those of a dollar a yard, on sale at **79c** only

Moire Silks at 98c. These are blacks and the grade is better than we have ever been able to offer at anything like the price. A full yard wide, a splendid finish and an unusual value. Priced regularly at \$1.50, on sale Tuesday and all week at **98c** only

A Great Blanket Sale. Here are some offerings at the right time of the year that will be appreciated by all who have bed covering to buy. Look at these values. You will find every one of them a bargain.

\$2.00 grey cotton Blankets, now	\$1.23
\$3.00 half wool Blankets, grey, now	\$1.98
\$5.00 all wool plaid Blankets, now	\$3.15

We want the room occupied by these things. We want as few of them here next week as possible, for next week is Inventory Time and the fewer of them we have to take up, the better we will be pleased. In fact, we are willing to sustain a loss in order that there be but a small stock of this line of goods here at that time.

Colored Comforts Cheap. We have these in quantities and as we need the room for other things soon to arrive, we offer them at prices much below their value.

\$1.25 Comforts in dark colors, now **89c**

\$2.25 Comforts, light weight, now **\$1.45**

Men's Overshirts of woolen materials, all good colors and every size for men, \$1.00 and \$1.25 grades, on sale at only **79c**

Men's Overshirts of corduroy and woolen materials, \$1.50 and \$2.00 grades and very good ones at those prices, special at **99c**

Men's Wool Shirts, the \$2.50 grades in all of the good dark colors and a complete assortment of sizes, a splendid offering at **\$1.55**

Men's Soft Shirts of cotton materials, tans with colored stripes, very serviceable and fully washable, \$1.50 grades on sale **\$1.15** at

Men's Dress Shirts with pleated bosoms, good styles and pretty patterns, regular dollar grades, on sale at only **59c**

Men's Underwear, the regular 50c grade in fleece lined, ribbed and other warm and serviceable kinds, a very special offering at **39c**

Men's Half Hose in tan, brown, black, and colors, the grade that sells regularly at 15c a pair, special during this sale at **8c**

Men's Half Hose in all of the good solid colors and a wonderful showing of fancy styles, a very special 25c grade, on sale **15c**

Men's Four-in-Hands in many good colors and combinations of colors, also full line of clubs, regular 25c grades, at only **15c**

Henderson's
THE HOUSE THAT SAVES YOU MONEY.

We Will Lose Big Money Before We Pack Up Our Christmas Goods

Cut Glass Comport, old price \$15.00, now \$9.00
Cut Glass Bowl, old price 9.50, now 5.00
Cut Glass Bowl, old price 7.50, now 3.40
Dozens of other prices ranging \$2.10 up to 5.50, sold formerly for 3.00 up to 12.50

Hand painted Bavarian China ranging from 75c up to 5.25
sold formerly 1.25 up to 11.25

We had the prettiest line displayed. Come in and get these goods at less than cost.

Beautiful H. P. Vases that sold for 1.50 up to 14.50, now priced 85c up to 7.25

These articles are the most beautiful displayed in San Angelo and if you wish something for the home we will give you the opportunity to get choice articles way below cost.

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One Time.....One Cent a Word
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FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—250 acres of stalk field. Address J. M. B., care Press-News, San Angelo.

FOR SALE—A life scholarship in the San Angelo Business College. Inquire at The Press-News.

FOR SALE—170 acres first-class land two miles south of Mereta, on Eola road. Would take \$1000 or \$1200 in good San Angelo property at cash price.

FOR RENT—Two new modern brick buildings each 25x90 feet, on North Chadbourne street.

WE HAVE several nice lots in Angelo Heights to sell cheap and on easy terms, or would trade for small residence close in.

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AUTOMOBILE SERVICE—Sterling City, Carlsbad and Water Valley. Leave Landon Hotel every morning. Rent cars by the day, hour or trip. Tom & Will Savell. Phone 772 black.

DIRT AND GRAVEL—Excavating and foundations, houses moved and anything in the teaming line. Jim Cummings.

FOR SALE OR TRADE—A good gentle horse and rubber tire runabout. Cheap on easy terms. Phone 867 green.

POSTED—WARNING NOTICE—Keep off my premises: Glenmore farm, Gardner farm on South Concho, Spooner place and Lake Concho. Fishing, hunting, trespassing will be prosecuted. Charles B. Metcalfe.

TO TRADE—For today and tomorrow, a \$2500 equity in a \$6000 home in Park Heights, to trade for smaller place or vacant lots. Address P. O. Box 481.

FOR RENT—Furnished room, convenient to town. See "Avera," Baker-Hemphill Co.

T. W. HENNING, "the new and second hand furniture dealer," wishes all his friends and customers a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

WOMAN OFFERS TO SELL BODY.

Willing to Be Dissected After Death to Make Children's Merry Christmas.

Baltimore, Dec. 27.—Desperate at the thought that her children would be deprived of Christmas joys to which they had been accustomed, a mother advertised that for \$10 she would sell her body to be delivered after her death to the purchaser.

Christmas always has been a time of joy for this woman, who is the mother of four children. She begged that her name be not mentioned. This year owing to an accident which has incapacitated the husband, the little family has been eking out an existence on the \$3 a week earned by the oldest girl, who is 14.

"It's a simple business proposition," said the woman. "I need the money to make the little ones happy and I don't know of any other way to get it. I can't beg. I don't want to borrow without knowing how or when I can return the loan. I've nothing else to sell, so I am willing to give a lien on my body, which will be turned over to the buyers—when—when—"

She stopped and passed her hand across her forehead.

"Oh, well," she resumed, "it does seem strange to talk about such a

thing, but I am in earnest about it. I am ready.

"I got the idea of selling my body from the experience of an old gentleman we used to know who sold his body to a medical college, and I thought I could do the same thing. I am strong and have always enjoyed good health, and I suppose that the bodies of such persons are preferable for the purposes of the doctors.

"Of course I would agree not to sell my body to any one else," said the mother in answer to a question. "That would be wrong and I don't want to do anybody wrong.

"I don't regard this thing in a spirit of lightness or carelessness. The idea is not attractive to me, and I am willing to undertake it only for the sake of my children."

Asked what she would buy with the money, she answered promptly:

"First of all, shoes. Three of the children need them badly. Then all of them need stockings and the little ones mitts. Candies there are none. The older ones expect nothing, but for the little ones who still believe in Santa Claus there is to be a doll for each."

Father's Mistake.

He wrote it "Xmas." He was rash. He'll never do so again; For each declared who wanted cash That "X" must stand for "ten."

CONSTRUCTION WORK TO START AT ONCE

GROUND BROKEN FOR NEW FEDERAL BUILDING.

Representative of Contractors Has Office On Ground—Superintendent Coming.

San Angelo's federal building, which has been in prospect so long, is about to become a reality. That is, the actual work of construction is to start within a few days, and before many weeks the walls of the structure will be taking shape.

Ground has already been broken for the excavation; W. H. Putt, representing the King Lumber company, the contractors, has a small building, erected on the grounds to be used as his headquarters while the construction work is in progress, and N. V. Perry superintendent of construction for the government, is expected to arrive next week. In fact, Postmaster Blanchard has a large lot of mail for Mr. Perry now, and is expecting that gentleman to arrive any day.

It is believed that the work of excavation will start in earnest immediately upon the arrival of Mr. Perry.

Construction work for the government is never done hurriedly, and several months will be required for the completion of the building, but the patrons of the local postoffice and the public generally will be pleased to know that the construction work, so long delayed, is to be started at once.

Notice.

EGGS. Our chickens are from Golden Princes, that holds the world's record for laying. She laid 571 eggs in two consecutive years, 291 first year. Rhode Island Reds. Eggs for sale. Also large fine cockrels and eggs from DeGraff. A. J. Sellers, phone 718 red.

The Man Who Won't Work.

Women of an Illinois town are raising a popular subscription to deport the town's only idle man. They propose to send him just as far as the money they collect will pay fare, and there will be no return ticket.

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GOODFELLOWS MADE SIXTY-FIVE HAPPY

With Toys and Candy, Little Fellows
Are Singing Praises of Those Who
Brought Them Cheer.

Since Christmas day, sixty-five San Angelo boys and girls have been singing "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow," because had it not been for him they would not have had a full stocking, and the happy thought of a visit from Santa Claus. And the Good Fellow is doubtless glad that by his deeds of goodness he thus inspired them, because he knows just how much good came from his visit.

Friday morning it was announced that 50 boys and girls would be taken Christmas cheer by the Secret Order of Good Fellows—that order of San Angelo men who banded together for the purpose of preventing the disappointment of an empty stocking without any reward other than the joy of giving, and, moreover, without anyone knowing it other than the little fellows themselves—but more names were submitted to The Press-News and more Good Fellows announced their willingness to aid the cause, hence more visits were made and more children taken care of.

Toys, dolls, candies and what not—things that were as pure as gold to the receivers—were distributed among the little fellows, and only the giver that saw the big eyes and in them a heart overflowing with gratitude can know the amount of cheer these Good Fellows carried to homes of the poor children.

There is yet some good clothes donated for those of the city in need, and application at The Press-News office may secure these clothes, if the applicant's case is found to be a worthy one.

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TO PATRONS OF

San Angelo Water, Light & Power Co.

AND CITIZENS OF SAN ANGELO

The San Angelo Water Works Company desires accurate information at all times from its patrons as to their supply of water and electricity.

We have one of the best plants in Texas and we intend that the service shall be as perfect as it is possible to make it, with the latest and best engines dynamo s, pumps, etc., in fact, an up-to-date plant in every way and well paid, efficient and courteous employees.

Covering with our mains, as we do, a large territory, four miles by five in extent, and supplying nearly two thousand patrons, it is impossible for us to inspect the supply of each customer. We, therefore, request that you will kindly mail us a postal card whenever you need repairs, alterations, discontinuance, renewal, installation of water, light or power, or of any explanation of misunderstood account. We will file this written information and give prompt attention to each card.

The San Angelo Water Works Company does no plumbing or wiring, but will promptly refer all needs of that kind to reputable concerns in the city, who can promptly do this work at reasonable prices.

The San Angelo Water Works Company will make extensions wherever the demand for water, light and power will justify the expense and will make favorable terms to those outside reasonable limits, where the patrons desire to construct mains. We urge all citizens to keep in mind the fact that in case of fires they must notify the Waterworks Station, Phone No. 10, instantly. The turn of a valve starts direct pressure on the mains with our large three million gallon pump; steam is always ready, and we say with pride, that there is no city in Texas better prepared to put out fires than San Angelo with our unlimited water supply, high pressure and the best volunteer fire brigade in the state.

We are prepared to supply electric current for power or heating as well as lighting. Motors for sewing machines, coffee grinders, machine shops and other uses are cheap and very convenient.

The citizens of San Angelo are our patrons and must be our business friends. We welcome friendly criticism and information and will do our part, and with your patronage and assistance the San Angelo Water Works, Light & Power System hopes to be a model.

SAN ANGELO WATER WORKS COMPANY,
W. A. Guthrie, Gen. Mgr.

Get Right for 1910

Own a lot in Lake View, with cash if you have it; credit if you want it. But own a lot. Everything points to one of the best and most prosperous years in Texas history. San Angelo will grow wonderfully this year and Lake View Addition is where the money will be made in city property. Our automobiles are at your service. Telephone 355, we will take you out on short notice. If you desire to look over our proposition alone take the street car.

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MONDAY WAS BIG DAY.

After smashing into smithereens all previous records for the large volume of Christmas business, the merchants of San Angelo on Monday enjoyed a "lap over" trade that made their hearts go jumpy with large joy and caused the everlasting smiles to do business with their faces.

The volume of business done in all lines Monday was mar-vel-ous. It was immense, and then some. Instead of having a day of recreation, it was a day of intensified activity. Christmas didn't satisfy every want, and the fine soaking seasoning the just and the unjust of the Concho country have had put the trading fever in the bones of the people.

"If I could have a whole year's business of the same volume of the business done today, I could be figuring on a 19-story building," said one merchant, and he was the general rule, not the exception.

While some of the stocks are bare, at the same time there can still be found in San Angelo sufficient quantities of everything needed for the comfort of man or the vanity of woman to satisfy even the most hungry.

Our want column will supply your wants.