

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY

S. R. Cowick, of Wagoner, is here on a business visit. Mayor Sam Parks returned from St. Louis this morning. Chas. Poole, a well known citizen of Welch was here today. W. D. Todd, of Chelsea, spent this forenoon here on business. W. D. and Fred Montgomery came down from Welch last night. W. J. Willis, of Coffeyville, Kans., is here on a business visit. Joe Chambers went to Tulsa last night to attend the Elks dance. G. S. De Laney, of Ochelata, is here attending the district court. T. D. Barlow, of Tulsa, was a business visitor in the city this morning. E. P. Proctor came up from Muskogee last night on a business mission. J. W. Staats, of Nowata, was transacting business in the metropolis today. I. N. Bunch, of Bluejacket, was a well known visitor at the county seat today. E. N. Ratcliff left on the flyer this morning for a business trip to Muskogee. J. A. Lampkin, of Smithville, Mo., is among the throng of visitors here today. George Kapp of the Union Grain company, came a business trip to Foyil today. Thos. E. Elliott, of Nowata, returned to this city last night to attend the district court. Miss Mae Levin left this morning for Dallas, Tex., after a visit with relatives here. D. T. Roberts, mayor of Welch, is in the city this afternoon to attend the court. Luther L. Duncan is here from Chetopa, for a visit with his sister, Mrs. E. N. Williamson. Dr. Emmett Starr, the well known citizen of Claremore spent today in Vinita on business. G. H. Terbush, special agent, for the New York Life Insurance company, is at Chelsea today. J. H. Russell, of Grinnell, Ia., is here looking over the prospects with a view to land investments. Miss Myrtle Armour, of Centralia, is here visiting Miss Sarah Nix, and other friends and relatives. Miss Mae Dowling, who has been visiting Mrs. Delaney here, will leave for home at Miami tomorrow. Jack Rushmore and Phillip Shreck, two friends of Garland Marrs, passed through today en route to Tulsa from Kansas City. Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Overley and D. M. Marrs and wife are expected home this evening from a few days hunt on Grand river. Dr. F. M. Adams, of Big Cabin, was here last night en route home from St. Louis, where he has been for the last month. Wade S. Stanfield and wife of Sapulpa were in the city this morning. Mr. Stanfield having business with the district court here. Browning Lewis was here this morning en route to Pryor Creek from Oklahoma City, where he has been attending Epworth University. Fred Beaulieu, a prominent business man, of Welch, was among those subpoenaed here in the new panel for the jury in the Scott case. Earl Pendell, stenographer for the district court, who has been sick at Claremore is convalescent again, and arrived here last night to assume his duties. Sheriff Ridenhour today sold at public auction in front of the court house, a horse and a two year old heifer. The horse brought \$10 and the heifer \$11.50. George Sheets, the well known piano tuner arrived last night and will spend a few days here. Orders may be left with John Chouteau at the Milford-Berger Shoe store. Misses Lucile Milford, Gayle Scott, Mary Badgett, Eva Ratcliff and May Day Clark, who have been attending Stevens College at Columbia, Mo., are expected home tomorrow to spend the holidays. Mrs. C. E. Lahman has an orange tree at her home in this city, that bears oranges as large as a black walnut with outer hull on it. The fruit is as luscious as that grown in Florida or California. J. W. Hutsell and Don Merritt, of Minneapolis, Minn., are in Vinita looking over the situation with a view to locating, if they succeed in finding what they want in the way of real estate investments, either in city or country properties. The fire department was called to the Hancock home on North Smith street this morning to extinguish a small blaze, which is supposed to have started by catching some old clothing in the attic. About thirty dollars worth of damage was done.

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Wm. Cummins, of Big Cabin was in the city this morning. W. E. Ross came over from Grove last night on business. C. N. Newman came down from Welch today on business. A. J. Summers of Alluwe spent today in this city on business. Fred A. Stubbs of Dewey, is a business visitor in the city today.

Jim Coats, of near Welch, was in town today. The city council meets in special session tonight. W. A. Wright, of Afton, was attending to business here today. B. C. Rose and wife left last night for a holiday visit at Warrensburg, Mo. Rv. Isanah Long, of Afton, was a caller at the Chieftain office this afternoon. Miss Grace Davenport is expected home from Fayetteville, Ark., this evening. Mrs. Allen Barnes will leave tonight for a visit at Solomon, Kans., during the holidays. John Barrett returned to Claremore today noon after a visit here with his brother Lee Barrett. L. D. Flint and John Chandler of Fairland were among the visitors in this city this afternoon. Congressman James S. Davenport arrived home yesterday from Washington to spend the holidays. Mrs. A. P. Goodykoontz returned to Sapulpa today after a visit here with her mother, Mrs. Blythe. D. T. Witt left yesterday for Guthrie to attend a meeting of the state association of township trustees. G. A. Ward left this morning for his home at Tulsa after a several days' business visit in this city. Felix Ridenhour is home for the holidays, from Norman where he has been attending the State University. T. C. Hughes, city engineer of Tulsa, was in the city this morning for a conference with H. E. Collier. Miss Lura Thomason, of Siloam Springs Ark. may arrive in Vinita this evening for a visit with relatives. Jim Harmon's barn a few miles east of town with several tons of hay was destroyed by fire last night. Dr. I. D. Hitchcock a prominent druggist of Afton was attending to business and visiting relatives here today. Mrs. Ida Stewart, trimmer for the Bramble Millinery company at Afton, spent yesterday in this city. Maynard Harris returned this morning from Lawrence, Kans., where he has been attending Kansas University. W. M. Mercer, of Aurora, Ill. is again in Vinita after a tour of this part of the new state and may locate here. Fred Charlesworth returned Saturday night from Kansas City, where he has been attending the medical college. Rufus Connella and wife left on the fast mail today for their home at Muskogee, after a short business visit here. Miss Nina Connelly of Siloam Springs Ark., is expected here this evening for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Marrs. J. I. Morning has returned from Topeka, Kan., where he attended the meeting of the Association of Ice Cream Makers. Mrs. W. P. Gatewood and little son Carr, returned yesterday from an extended visit to Paris, Tex., PotEAU and McAlester, Okla. Seth K. Gordon, who managed the losing campaign for J. S. Davenport in the third district was a well known visitor in the city today from Guthrie. George Gatewood, who is now traveling in the west part of the state, for the Remington typewriter company, is expected home in a few days to spend the holidays. Miss Louie Duncan stopped off here today for a visit with her sister, Mrs. E. N. Williamson, while en route to her home at Chetopa from the Female Seminary at Tahlequah. The fire department made a run to the J. H. Holt home on North Third street Sunday morning and extinguished a blaze that threatened to destroy the house and contents. The damage was comparatively small. J. Z. Briggs, formerly a member of the Chapman & Briggs Drug company of this city, was here today from Tulsa on business. C. E. Dicken, of Liberty Mo., was in the city this morning in the interest of Liberty College for young ladies, and went to Claremore. Chas. Jeans, the officer who was shot several weeks ago was able to be down town today, and is looking good considering the ordeal through which he has just passed. Miss Mabel Russell Dead. Miss Mabel Russell, daughter of H. H. Russel, of this city, died at All Saints hospital at South McAlester at 8:30 o'clock this morning. She was nurse in charge of the Vinita hospital during the first year of its existence. Miss Russell has many friends and old schoolmates here who will feel with deep regret the loss of this splendid young woman from their midst. Operation was Successful. Drs. Bartow Fite and J. W. Perkins of Kansas City arrived in Vinita last night and this morning, assisted by Drs. Louis Bagby and C. S. Neer performed an operation upon Frank Burford for appendicitis. It is believed the operation was successful and that the patient will rapidly recover from the shock of the operation. Mr. Burford is the young lawyer of Bartlesville, who was stricken Monday at the Cobb hotel and removed to the hospital.

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Remarkable Increase in School Population Accredited to Inaccurate Enumeration in 1907.
Guthrie, Okla., Dec. 21.—Some interesting comparisons between educational conditions in Oklahoma in 1907 and 1908 are furnished by statistics which have been compiled by the state superintendent's office. The number of school districts in the state is now 5,856, as against 3,093 in 1907, averaging 75.4 to a county, and the number of rural schools is 4,361, against 3,220 last year. The value of rural school buildings has increased from \$2,606,300 in 1907 to \$3,147,622 at the present time. In addition to these 493 city schools are reported, with buildings valued at \$13,657,785, making the total value of public school buildings in the state \$16,805,407. There are also 64 colleges and academies, with property valued at \$3,440,800. There are now 467,211 children of school age in the state, as shown by the school enumeration, including 458,481 white and 37,730 colored, as against 217,430 and 8,705 last year, indicating a phenomenal increase. The total school enrollment is now 297,075, as against 151,473 in 1907, including at the present time 276,272 white and 20,803 colored children.

WEST POINT ITEMS
Dated Dec. 14. Oliver Tyler took a load of turkeys to Bluejacket Monday. J. E. Coats shipped two cars of coal from Bluejacket last Friday. C. A. Tyler and wife spent Saturday night and Sunday with friend in White Oak. Oliver Tyler is doing some road work this week. John Vandiver is doing some work for Chas. Tyler this week. George Mitchell and wife were in Vinita Saturday. Miss Hazel Rheubottom left Sunday for Kansas City for a visit with her sister. R. W. Mitchell expects to move to New Mexico soon after Christmas. D. C. Roper has finished gathering corn. R. M. Carpenter and wife gave a dance to a crowd of young people last Thursday night.

ROSE ITEMS
L. A. Jackson is baling hay. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Clifton, a boy. D. C. Rowe butchered hogs this week. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Cull Swimmer, a boy. D. E. Ward was here on business last week. Hogs are dying with cholera in this vicinity. D. W. Ragsdale went to Pryor Creek this week. Mr. and Mrs. Brig Rowers' infant child died last week. Many are going to Pryor Creek this week to pay their taxes. Brig Rowe is hauling shingles for his new house from Pryor Creek. Sudden changes in weather keeps the human family busy changing clothes. Babe Howard and wife were transacting business in Pryor Creek this week. Julius Porter took about fifty head of young mules across the river this week. Ellis and Robt. Duncan came home from the Seminary to spend the holidays. There will be a three days meeting at Standing Water, beginning December 25. Messrs Ferguson and Hatfield were here from Tahlequah vicinity this week. Mrs. Ella Daniels was transacting business at Pegg's and Tahlequah this week. W. A. Downing has been appointed postmaster of Rose and Wm. Dodson will be the assistant. The little two year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Mounce died Monday December 14th with the croup. The remains were buried at Rose Prairie cemetery. Bess and Sam Smallwood came home from Elm Springs, Mo., this week. Scarlet fever broke out there and Miss Montgomery dismissed school and sent all the children home and now the school is quarantined. The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Neal Whittington was playing about a fire in the yard and its clothes caught fire and it was burned so badly that it died in 24 hours. The remains were buried at Elm Prairie on Saturday December 12th. The panther, like the Brave Harry, saw a ghost and went right up to it, but Ghost and his horse moved out pretty swiftly. Mr. Panther raking him across the back as his horse jumped and ran. Young Ghost was coming up from Bryant's store one night this week when the panther jumped at him with the above results. It ran him a mile or so.

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JURY FINDS SCOTT GUILTY OF MURDER
Slayer of Mrs. Myrtle Murray Sentenced to Serve Life Term in Penitentiary
Guilty of murder in the first degree, with a recommendation against capital punishment, was the verdict Saturday night by the jury in the trial of J. T. Scott for the murder of Mrs. Myrtle Murray on July 13, last. Judge Tom Brown pronounced the sentence of imprisonment for life on the prisoner, and the district court adjourned until next Monday. The story of the murder of which Scott was convicted on Saturday is still fresh in the memory of all Vinita. According to the evidence Scott had rented his place to Al Evans, a brother-in-law of the deceased Mrs. Murray, and had forbade the latter to come on his property. On the morning of July 13th Scott went to the Evans home and there found his victim and with a Winchester shot her to death. At no time during the trial did the defense deny the killing, but set up the plea of insanity for the defense. A trial the first of the week resulted in the jury pronouncing Scott sane, and the trial on the original indictment of murder was heard. Again the defense was insanity, but the jury decided it was murder. Scott is 72 years old and is one of the best known farmers around Vinita, having done his trading here for the last number of years. The trouble which resulted in the killing of Mrs. Murray is said to have started over the death of one of Scott's wolf hounds, which Scott claimed Mrs. Murray had killed. Mrs. Murray was at the time of her death 28 years of age.

INSURGENTS ARE LEAVING JUBILANT
New Minority Leader in Lower House Refuses to Form an Alliance With Republicans
By Associated Press
Washington, D. C., Dec. 19.—The insurgents against the present rules of the house are leaving Washington for their holidays, jubilant over the progress they have made in stirring up an insurrection in the republican ranks. They will tell their constituents that before the end of this session the rules will be amended. The new minority leader, Representative Champ Clark, of Missouri, does not feel himself justified in binding his party to any program, until he sees how the republicans will line up. He objects to forming an alliance with the insurgents which he fears may eventually be broken when a majority of them might recognize that they are losing and "leave the democrats holding the bag, while republicans would get all the glory."

MOTHER POISONS FOUR CHILDREN
Throws Herself Under Train—Mangled Body Found Later—Three Children May Recover
By Associated Press
Chicago, Ill., Dec. 21.—The American wife of George Ah-Wong, a Chinese restaurant proprietor of Plano, gave her four children woodalcohol and one of them, Ida three years old, she stabbed. Ida died today and the mother is said by the coroner's jury to have been temporarily insane and, after drinking some of the poison, threw herself in front of a moving Burlington train. Her mangled body was found shortly afterwards. A further search led to the discovery of the dead child and the suffering but not fatally drugged brothers and sisters. This note was found "Thank God it's over, it was horrible, I can't go on with the rest, but no one will lead my girl the life of misery I have led."

MAY TAKE ALL WEEK TO HEAR STATES EVIDENCE
By Associated Press
Flushing, N. Y., Dec. 21.—After a two days adjournment the trial of Thornton J. Hains, charged as a principal with his brother, Capt. Peter C. Hains, Jr., in the killing of William E. Annis was resumed today, before Justice Crane. It is not unlikely that the whole week will be taken up in the presentation of the prosecution's testimony.

DECISION PROHIBITS THAW GOING TO PITTSBURG
By Associated Press
Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 21.—Harry K. Thaw, slayer of Stanford White who is now confined in the state hospital for the criminally insane at Mattewan, cannot be taken to Pittsburgh to testify in the bankruptcy proceedings, according to a decision handed down today, by the U. S. Circuit court of appeals in this city. Whether the case will be taken to the United States Supreme court is not known here.

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