

**WEL SPIRIT
YULE JOYS
MILAN FOLK**

(Special to The Argus.)
Ill. Dec. 23.—Visitors in Milan have been arriving all this week to spend the holidays with friends and relatives on Christmas eve.
Mrs. John Johnston and her family from Yale, Iowa, arrived at their home Tuesday night at the home of Mr. Johnston's daughter, Mrs. John White.
Mrs. W. L. Clark leaves today for Rock Island, Ill., to attend the anniversary of her mother and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Carls, on Christmas day. On her return she will visit with her sister, Mrs. Clarence Hager, and her brother, Will Harris, at Beardstown, Ill.
John Kyte of Paxton, Ill., was a business caller in Milan this week.
Mrs. Lloyd Hunter of Libby, Mont., came last night for a visit with her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Blackly.
Benjamin Higgins of northwest Missouri came Tuesday for a day with his grandnieces, Mrs. Archie Huddleston. This is the first time Mr. Higgins has returned to

MILAN SINCE RECOVERING FROM HERE 40 YEARS AGO.

Frank M. Harris yesterday celebrated his 81st birthday. He received callers and congratulations during the entire day.
Tomorrow evening the Christmas program at the Methodist church will be given. Rev. John A. Decker will begin the services at 7:30 o'clock.
The Milan school will give its annual Christmas program at 2:30 tomorrow afternoon.
The Ridgeview school, with Miss Maude Hull of Milan as principal, will give its program tonight. Doughnuts and coffee will be served. A social hour will follow.

**FREE GEORGIA
IS THREATENED**

Russian Bolshevik Forces Plan to Eliminate Caucasian Republic from Map of Nations.

Tiflis, Dec. 21.—(Associated Press)—Russian bolshevik forces appear to be concentrating for a campaign which will eliminate the republic of Georgia from the map of the Caucasus region. Heavy soviet forces have been concentrated at Tuapse, a port on the eastern shore of the Black Sea, and at Gagra, a port still further to the southeast toward the Georgian frontier. Other bolshevik detachments are reported at Kazak, southeast of Tiflis, while the tenth bolshevik army, which has been operating along the Armenian frontier, is said to have passed through Karaklis, moving toward the Georgian republic.
Independent Georgia has been tolerated by the bolsheviks because of the trade advantages offered at Batum, which has been regarded in Moscow as a corridor which permitted the bolsheviks to bring in supplies from Europe. Reliable information from Batum, however, indicates serious disturbances, the Georgian garrison there having revolted. This resulted in a panic and people stormed the ships in the harbor, seeking to escape before the arrival of bolshevik troops, which were reported in the neighborhood.
It is understood the allies regard the situation as so serious that they have considered sending warships to insure the evacuation of allied mission in Georgia.
All the news all the time—The Argus.

**CLARA STARTS
FOR OKLAHOMA
TO FACE TRIAL**

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Cartier county attorney, in a jovial mood over the surrender of Clara Smith Hamon, alleged slayer of Jake L. Hamon, declared the woman would be arraigned immediately after she and Sheriff "Buck" Garrett returned to Ardmore.
Brown asserted the pretty girl probably would be tried late in January and the prosecutor would be someone other than he. Brown's term expires Jan. 1 and he refused to discuss who would be appointed to handle the case. He made known these facts just before leaving here last night for Ardmore.
"This is my happiest hour since I first heard that Hamon had been shot," said Brown. "I am very glad that Clara is coming back without further trouble."
The attorney admitted that sentiment in Ardmore had crystallized in the woman's favor.
Brown revealed that a party planned to lynch him after he announced he would prosecute the girl.
"The night that I filed the information charging Clara Smith Ha-

**FORDNEY BILL
PASSED BY AID
OF DEMOCRATS**

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question from "a" to "z," because part he played in framing the present tariff laws when he was a member of the house, is expected back here in a day or two and will consult with Senator Simmons and other Democratic leaders concerning a party policy. Moreover the Democratic ranks in congress which show signs every now and then of going to pieces on party policies are apt to be strengthened when the party conferences have been held after the first of the year. The whole tariff effort in the present session is regarded by many Democrats as a shrewd effort on the part of Republicans like Senator Warren of Wyoming, who represents the cattle raising state to lay the foundations for a high tariff in the extra session of congress, figuring that even President Harding will not be able to oppose the imposition of tariff duties that have already passed a congress in which Republican majorities are slender compared to the overwhelming strength of the new congress.

BROKEN IN HEALTH.

El Paso, Dec. 23.—(Associated Press)—Little of the story of her disappearance from Ardmore following the shooting of Hamon on Nov. 21 was made public by the young woman. She was met at the train from Chihuahua City in Juarez by the sheriff, her uncle, Ben F. Harrison, and attorneys who had been engaged as her counsel. Miss Smith's father supplied the only information given out regarding the woman's flight from Juarez to Chihuahua City.
"Clara is broken in health," the father said. "The strain has been too much for her. The ordeal is not over yet. I hope God gives her strength to endure all that is yet to come. To us, Clara is only a baby. We are glad she is home. And after all this is over, she's going to stay with us."
Later her attorneys announced that they had advised that Miss Smith give out no statements because of the charges against her. Late last night a physician was summoned to administer to her.
The party is scheduled to reach Fort Worth on Friday morning and to reach Ardmore that afternoon. Bond of \$10,000 is to be furnished immediately, and Miss Smith expects to spend a few days with relatives in Oklahoma before returning to El Paso to await trial.



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