

POLICE WERE ACTIVE DURING PAST MONTH

Total of \$8,905 Worth of Stolen Property Recovered During December

The monthly report of the Police Department for December, which was filed with the City Commission Tuesday by Chief Taylor, shows record results attained by the department in clearing the city of violators of the law and in recovering stolen property.

A total of \$8,905 in stolen property was recovered and returned to owners during the month. The work of the department in recovering several automobiles stolen here in December swelled the total considerably. The arrest of H. A. Johnson and James Dale, who were arrested following a robbery raid on three Montgomery homes, turned over to the police a quantity of stolen jewelry which was also returned to its owners.

During the month fines totalling \$3,312 were collected in the police court. Arrests for the Christmas month totalled 467, of which the greater part were made in the second shift of police between the hours of 2:45 and 10:45 p. m.

KILBY AND DORSEY INVITED TO MEETING

Mass Meeting of Alabama and Georgia Farmers Will Be Held

Governor Thomas B. Kilby, of Alabama, and Governor Dorsey, of Georgia, have been invited to attend a mammoth mass meeting of Alabama and Georgia farmers, to be held in Eufaula, January 22. The purpose of this meeting is to decide upon and adopt ways and means to increase the output of dairy products in the Eufaula district. Announcement of this meeting was contained in a letter received Tuesday by M. C. Allgood, Commissioner of Agriculture, from R. D. Thomas, mayor of Eufaula.

On January 15th, representative Alabama and Georgia farmers, are to make a trip by automobile to Midway, Ala., where they will inspect Hall's Dairy, located at that point. Commissioner Allgood's aid and co-operation are asked in order that the coming session may be in every way an exceptional and advantageous one.

ANNOUNCES BIRTH OF W. J. HUNKINS, JR.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Hunkins of Cleveland, Ohio, announce the birth of a son, William J. Hunkins, the 2nd, Monday morning at the home of Mrs. Hunkins' parents, Dr. and Mrs. H. G. Perry, 1500 Madison avenue. Mrs. Hunkins was formerly Miss Margaret Perry of Montgomery.

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BREAKFAST STORIES FOR THE LITTLE FOLKS

By BLANCHE SILVER

BETTY'S TRIP WITH GOCOMBECK

Betty tucked her study book under her pillow and tried to go to sleep. But, dear me, she couldn't sleep, for the many thoughts that danced through her brain.

The teacher had told them only this afternoon that tomorrow would be test day, and Betty couldn't seem to get her mind down to study. She had tried very hard, in fact, so hard that her eyes ached and her head felt dizzy.

"And I did so want to be at the head of my class," sighed Betty out loud. "Well, what's worrying you, anyway?" asked a tiny voice.

Before Betty could answer a tiny elfin popped up beside her. "Hello, there, Gocombeck!" cried Betty, sitting up in bed. "Where you going, anyway?"

"Anywhere you'd like to go," replied Gocombeck, merrily. "My cloud-boat's right here."

As he spoke a tiny cloud-boat floated down the moonbeam that streamed in through the window and settled on Betty's white coverlet.

"First of all, where does most of our tea come from, and how is it cultivated?" asked Gocombeck, and when Betty shook her head he laughed. "Then we must find out, for that will be one of your questions."

Before Betty could answer, she was seated in the little cloud-boat beside the elfin and they were sailing through the air.

Soon they reached a strange land which Gocombeck told Betty was China.

"The tea trade is one of China's greatest sources of income," said Gocombeck as their boat touched the ground.

Hundreds of Chinese, too busy to do

more than nod, passed them, carrying wicker-work baskets on their shoulders. Gocombeck and Betty followed them into the tea plantation.

"The tea plant is an evergreen shrub and grows to a height of six or eight feet," whispered Gocombeck, pointing to the waving stalks covered with green leaves. "First, the seeds are planted in cold water and as soon as they begin to sprout they're planted in the earth. Then when they grow to be four or five inches high, they're set out in rows and at the end of the third year they begin to yield their first crop. Generally four crops are taken each year."

Betty's eyes opened with wonder as the Chinamen gathered the leaves, dried them in the sun, then carried them into the tea factory.

Betty into the factory, which was quite a large building divided into several rooms, some for firing, others for sorting and others for weighing and packing the tea.

Betty watched the men put the leaves in pans made of copper and iron that were placed on the stoves in the firing room. One cooler kept turning the leaves over and over until they were thoroughly dried, then they were rolled into shape and carried into the packing and sorting room.

Betty watched the men pack the tea into great boxes, which Gocombeck told her would later be shipped to her own country.

"Why, isn't that funny!" exclaimed Betty. "Our lesson this morning was all about tea, and I just bet that will be one of our questions in tomorrow's test."

Sure enough, it was. And as Betty never forgot a trip with Gocombeck she had the best paper in the class.

INDOOR SPORTS



BAPTIST ORPHANAGE SITE WILL BE DECIDED

Committee Which Visited Several Towns, Will Make Decision Friday

The Baptist committee, having in hand the selection of a site for the Baptist orphanage has recently visited Evergreen, Troy and Birmingham, and will decide the matter Friday. W. A. Davis, of Anniston, is the chairman of the committee which was delegated by the Southern Baptist convention to decide the matter.

It is said that while the committee has not fixed upon any one place, it was evidently very much impressed with the offer made by Troy.

ASSAULT TO MURDER CASE IS POSTPONED

Rogers Simpson, charged with assault to murder on W. S. Cochran, did not stand trial Tuesday in the court of common pleas, the case being postponed until ten o'clock Friday morning.

Cochran claims the defendant shot at him eight times with a shotgun. The affair is said to have taken place at Chisholm.

HAMBONE'S MEDITATIONS

A ONE-HOSS POLITICIAN
TOL' DE BOSS HE GOT
IN-SULTED CASE SOME-
BODY TRY T' BUY 'IM,
BUT KUNL ROB 'LOW DAT
WANT NO IN-SULT--DAT
WUZ A COMPL'INT!!



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BIG FARM COMPANY IS INCORPORATED

Large Tract of Land Owned by Company; Capital Stock \$150,000

The Gary Farms Company, a corporation with a capital stock of \$150,000, filed articles of incorporation in the county probate office, Tuesday.

The properties of the company consist of approximately 2,500 acres of land known as the famous Gary plantation and the adjoining lands between Lowndesboro and Benton in Lowndes county. The Gary plantation has long been considered one of the finest tracts of land in Alabama.

The company proposes to engage in the business of farming, livestock raising and the dealing in farm lands on a large scale.

Officers of the company are: W. H. Vaughn, prominent farmer and business man of Montgomery county; president, and L. B. Stanley, formerly of Kentucky, secretary. The principal place of business of the company will be at Montgomery.

The road improvement now under construction in the Big Swamp, Lowndes county, which is adjacent to the Gary plantation, places it in close communication with Montgomery and Selma as well as Lowndesboro and Benton.

A number of northern farmers have within the past few years purchased lands in this part of Lowndes county, which has resulted in the division of large plantations into smaller farms. This will be the policy of the new corporation.

Papers were filed by James S. Parrish, attorney for the company, Tuesday, and the corporation is already prepared to engage in business. Mr. Stanley, who will have the management of the lands of the company, is one of a number of successful farmers who have recently moved to this section of the country, and has an unbounded faith in the black belt lands of Montgomery and Lowndes counties particularly for livestock raising.

J. M. STRASSBURGER CHAPTER MAY MEET

The Julien M. Strassburger chapter, Rainbow Division Veterans, will probably hold a meeting Sunday afternoon at three o'clock in the new club rooms over the Exchange National Bank.

The rooms have recently been fitted up at the expense of Captain Strassburger's father, in part, and are on the third floor of the bank building. The donations were made by Colonel Strassburger out of memory to his son who fell at the battle of Croix Rouge farm in France.

IMPORTANT MEETING OF GREYS TO BE HELD

Report Showing Standing of Company Will Be Made Wednesday Night

An important meeting of the Montgomery Greys will be held in the mayor's office at 8 o'clock Wednesday night. A report showing the standing of the company will be made and also a report received from the two membership teams which have been working hard since Christmas.

This is being rapidly completed for the Greys' ball and the committee working on that will also report. Much progress has been made recently and many enlistments have been secured during the holidays.

"Prospects for the early mustering in of the Greys," said Walter B. Jones, president of the organization Tuesday, "are very bright and we hope at an early date to have the necessary number of men enlisted. Both the old and new Greys have been working hard and it will only be a short time before the company is completed. Recruits are earnestly asked to be present Wednesday night."

BOARD COMMITTEE MEETS ON TUESDAY

Baptist Board Makes Arrangements to Locate Several Field Workers in State

A meeting of the executive committee of the Baptist State Board was held at headquarters on South Court street Tuesday afternoon. There were chiefly routine matters handled by the committee.

Present at the meeting were the following members: Dr. C. A. Stakely, Rev. W. R. Saymore, Rev. J. H. Curry, of Wetumpka, Rev. E. S. Alderman, of Troy, and D. F. Greene, of Montgomery.

Special arrangements were made to locate several field workers in the State and some aid was extended to needy fields.

The work for the new year is started.

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GIANTS SELL JEAN DUBUC TO TOLEDO

(Associated Press)
TOLEDO, OHIO, Jan. 6.—Outright purchase from the New York Nationals of Pitcher Jean Dubuc, was announced today by Roger Bresnahan, president of the Toledo club, of the American Association. The purchase price was not made public here. This gives Bresnahan four pitchers to date, Merkle, Nelson and Carpenter having been released to Toledo by the New York American League club. Bresnahan is in the market for a capable outfit, he said today.

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