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Have you ever driven over one of the new "good roads"? If so, you know what the Federal Reserve Banking System is doing for its member banks and their depositors.

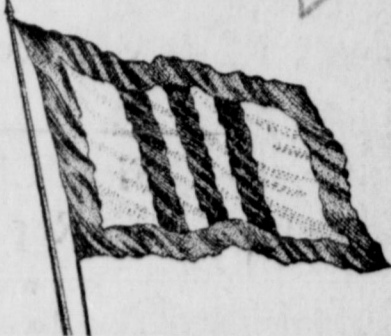
No more ruts and sandy spots, gullies and steep hills, but a smooth surface and even grades for the financing of business and farming to travel over.

You can get on this good road and enjoy its advantages by becoming one of our depositors. Don't delay.



The American National Bank

McLean Gets Honor Flag



Little ceremony accompanied the flying of the Liberty Loan Honor Flag, which was unfurled to the breezes last Friday afternoon.

The flag was received Friday afternoon, in response to a telegram to the Federal Reserve Bank that McLean had oversubscribed her quota by several thousand dollars.

Though somewhat late in getting started, McLean went over quickly when our people got to work. Many people express satisfaction over the success of the campaign in Gray county, because it can no longer be said that this county will not do her part in buying Liberty Bonds. Although we did not over subscribe the loan as much as we did the Red Cross Christmas Campaign, it is thought the only reason was that no efficient organization for the sale of Bonds existed at any time.

Orin Thompson was here from Plemons the first of the week.

To Organize B. Y. P. U.

All young people of the community, regardless of church affiliations or preferences are invited to be present at a meeting at the Baptist church Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

The purpose is to organize a B. Y. P. U. There being no young peoples organization in the city, and recognizing the need of one, we cordially invite you to join us.

Jno. F. Reagan, Pastor.

W. P. Upham and wife received a telephone message Tuesday night that their daughter, Miss Frances, who is at Amarillo attending a business college, was seriously ill. Mr. and Mrs. Upham, accompanied by their son, J. L., and daughter, Fern, left shortly after midnight to be with her. Mr. Upham returned Wednesday afternoon, and reports Miss Frances much improved. Mrs. Upham remained in Amarillo, and is expected home Saturday or Sunday.

J. Lee Turner, our good-looking and accommodating blacksmith, left Tuesday night for Fort Sill, Okla., where he goes to visit his son, T. Josh Turner, who is with an artillery regiment there.

The Rowe Ranch shipped two cars of cattle to Kansas last week for pasturage.



Take a Little Runabout Town

and compare our goods, quality and price considered.

Comparison is the only True Test of Value, and we court it on everything we sell.

Your Little Runabout will surely bring you back to our store.

Erwin Drug Company

The Rexall Store

Miss Ruth Bullock came in Friday night from Groom where she has been teaching in the high school.

Miss Maggie Jordan has returned after having finished a term as teacher in the Gracey school.

Emmet Thompson made a trip to Canadian the first of the week.

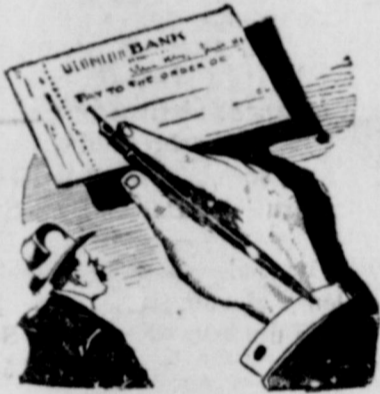
Tom Watkins of Plemons came to our city Tuesday to visit with home folks.

J. B. McClelland was over from Clarendon Saturday.

R. W. Tally of Clarendon was in the city Saturday.

W. L. Shelton was here Sunday from Canyon.

J. R. Stuart of Groom was in town Saturday.



When You Write a Check

for the amount of a bill, that forever ends any dispute as to its payment. For the check is a receipt that cannot be repudiated. Checks are easier and cheaper to send than cash too. These are only two of the many benefits of having an account here.

GUARANTY FUND BANK

THE CITIZENS STATE BANK

ICE

We have received our first car of ice for this year, and we will continue to have plenty for our trade during the season.

The price of ice has advanced considerably since last year because of the increased cost of materials used in making it. We will sell it at the lowest margin of profit we can afford. This being the case, we will not be able to deliver ice in quantities of less than a dime's worth. Please remember this.

Haynes-Mertel Grocery Company

Phone 23

McLean, Texas

In Memoriam

Theta Kolb, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Kolb, was born August 22, 1914, at Lamesa. Moved with her parents to McLean in May, 1915, to Alanreed in August, 1916, and died at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Floyd, at McLean on April 3, 1918.

Another little life has gone out into the Great Beyond. Another jewel has been plucked from the earth and placed at the foot of the throne of Him who said: "For of such is the kingdom of Heaven."

Little Theta, a dutiful daughter, a cheerful playmate, a devoted lover of music and flowers, radiated sunshine into the paths of all she came in contact with, and wove a web of love into the heartstrings of those who knew her.

When the summons came to go, her little spirit left the fever torn body and went out to meet the angels, leaving a score of loved ones behind with broken hearts and grief torn remembrances for the little darling whom they may see no more. They hear her voice still, they hear the patter of her little feet, they hear the rattle of her little toys; and yet they know that Theta, dressed in her angel garb, is standing by the throne of God waiting with outstretched hands to welcome her loved ones home.

Weep for her mother and father; yes, weep for her, all. And as those tears of sorrow fall from your grief stricken eyes, and your heart cries out in anguish at the burden so heavy to bear, remember, "God moves in a

mysterious way his wonders to perform."

When the summons comes for you to lay your burden down and you launch out into the vast Eternity, little Theta's arms will be around your neck as of old; you may clasp your darling to your heart once more, and there around the throne of God you may live with her throughout the ages. There will be no more sad partings. Death's angel will come no more, and will see that after all, "Behind a frowning providence, he hides a smiling face."

Clean-up Day

As it is very important that the good citizens of McLean remove all tin cans, rubbish, etc., from around their premises; first, to improve health; second, to help beautify the town; I therefore have set May 10th as Clean-up Day.

Pile everything you wish removed in the alleys or other places where wagons can get to them, and I will have them hauled off.

I hope everyone will help on the above day set to make our town clean and healthful.

W. C. CHENEY, Mayor.

Miss Marion Brown, who has been teaching in the Gracey school, which was out last Friday, came to the city and spent several days with friends. She left Tuesday for her home at Clarendon.

Mrs. Frank Faulkner returned home Tuesday after a visit with relatives at Graham.

Lockney.—Joe McCollum left Monday for Dallas, where he goes to re-enlist in the Navy. His first term of enlistment expired about two months ago, and he took advantage of this fact to make a visit with home folks.

Mrs. E. B. Hall of St. Louis, came in Wednesday night for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Rice.

J. S. Denson made a business trip to Ochiltree county Tuesday.

Jim Puryear, from Arizona, was here Saturday night to see his old friend, A. T. Russell. He was on his way to Oklahoma where he visits friends and relatives.

A. W. Haynes has leased the Post Office Confectionery from Miss Fannie Bailey. Mr. Haynes took charge Wednesday.

Miss Hattie Thompson returned home Tuesday after a visit with her brother, Orin Thompson, at Plemons.

Auto Supplies

A Complete Line—
Lowest Prices

Don't send away for a single article you need for your automobile until you find out what we can do for you.

We aim to keep in stock a complete assortment of supplies for practically all makes of cars. Thus we usually save you the delay that results from ordering elsewhere. And oftentimes we can save you considerable money on your purchases.

Our prices on tires, tubes, lamps spark plugs and sundries of all kinds entitles us to your patronage. All we ask is an opportunity to prove our claim that we can satisfy you.

We're always glad to quote prices.

McLean Auto Co.

Service Car

McLean, Texas

WHERE FARMING IS PROFITABLE

The Future of Great Possibilities.

Some idea of the great wealth that the Western Canada farmer had in view a few years ago is now being realized. The amount received from the sale of wheat, oats, barley, flax and rye in 1917 was \$276,000,000, while the sales of live stock at Winnipeg alone netted \$48,000,000 additional. Of this sum live alone gave over eleven million dollars. The increases at Calgary and Edmonton were over 6% million dollars.

This money, so easily earned, is being spent in improvements in farm property, purchasing additional land, buying tractors, automobiles, and improving home conditions, providing electric light, steam heat, new furniture, pianos, buying Victory bonds, paying up old debts, etc.

Over five hundred tractors were sold in Southern Alberta in 1917. One implement agent reports that the increase in his business in 1917, over that of 1916, was equal to the total business in 1915. It is the same story all over the country. And it is not this evidence alone which proves the advancement and growth of the three prairie provinces, but the large increase in the number of settlers; the improvement in the extent of the cultivated areas and agricultural production; the increase in value of which over 1916 was \$77,000,000.

This wonderful progress that has been made in agriculture in Western Canada is but the beginning which marks the future of the greatest agricultural country on the continent, showing a future of great possibilities. There are millions of acres yet uncultivated, and of land as good as any of that which is now giving its owners a return of from twenty to thirty dollars an acre, figures that in many cases represent the cost of the land, with all cultivation costs included. It is true that the cost of production has increased during the past few years, but the price of the product has also increased to a figure which leaves a large balance to the credit of the producer.

The following table shows how this works out.

	1915	1917
FARM NEEDS.	Price	Price
	in bus. in bus.	in bus. in bus.
Machinery—		
Self binder	180	100
Mower	30	28
6 H. P. gas engine	250	112
Seed drill	122	60
Cream separator	87	35
Building—		
Bathroom, sink and toilet	100	127
Pressure tank system	156	118
Steel shingles, per 100 sq. ft.	7	4
Lumber, per 1,000 ft. Hemlock	28	17
..... Pine	47	32
Bricks, per M.	18	8
Cement, per 100 lbs.	2.5	1.2
Steel fence, 40 rods	35	19
Paint, per 10 gals.	25	15
Flour	480	215
Clothing and Food—		
Sugar, per cwt.	6.2	4.5
Corned beef, per ton	50	24
Lined, per ton	50	25
Blue serge suit	31	17

Percentage increases are shown too in another way, leading to the same conclusion, from consultation of the Department of Labor's review of prices. Taking 1916 as the index number of normal production in the decade from 1916 to 1900, the increases in prices of farm products have slightly outdistanced the increases in his needs.

	1913	1916	1917	Inc.
Grains and fodder	138	200	280	103
Animals and meats	176	215	298	96
Dairy produce	145	184	229	58
Edible materials	143	179	229	58
House furnishings	125	163	205	64
Implement	105	139	190	80

Really Bright Idea.
Margaret had been enjoying a visit from her cousin, a young woman librarian from a distant city. When her vacation being over, she began getting ready to go. Margaret was filled with dismay and begged to have her stay longer.

Her mother said, "No, they need her at the library and she must go."
Margaret sat thinking soberly a long time. Then her face cleared and she cried out, "Oh, mamma, couldn't we get her renewed for two weeks?"

Cuticura Beauty Doctor
For cleansing and beautifying the skin, hands and hair. Cuticura Soap and Ointment afford the most effective preparations. For free samples address, "Cuticura, Dept. X, Boston." At druggists and by mail. Soap 25¢, Ointment 25¢ and 50¢.—Adv.

All Knitting.
Jane—Do you knit?
Susie—No.
Jane—Get busy, kid; even bones knit.

Take the little joys out of life and the big ones left would hardly be worth living for.

Ghosts may talk, but very few people understand the dead language.

When Your Eyes Need Care
Try Marine Eye Remedy
No Smoking—Just Bly London. It comes as a Preparation of Salt. Write for Free Brochure. **MURKIN'S EYE REMEDY CO., CHICAGO**

HEROES of the TRANSPORT SERVICE



Glorious Story of American Sailors May Never Be Told

MANY have told of the deeds of the destroyer men, for the exploits of those who drive the swift war boats to their double task of slaying and saving makes fine and joyous telling. To the credit of the killers of the U-boats and guardians of the convoy let it be said that a half of the splendid tale has not yet been told.

The men of the lean huller craft are the pick of the navy and their ships come close to being the best in the world. They know it, their countrymen know it, and Fritz of the submarine is learning it to his own sorrow.

Much honor is also paid to the men of the grand fleet—the bluejackets who are waiting at some unnamed sea rendezvous for a chance to loose the destruction of their great guns upon the ships of Wilhelm, sea lord of the Kiel canal.

These are our buckler, and our shield. They man the first line of the nation's defense. They are fighters, skilled in their appointed tasks, and eager for that battle that they believe cannot be so far off now.

No one tells of their brethren of the transport service. Only the brief official announcement gives their history, and this comes but rarely. Occasionally the powers at Washington lift the curtain of secrecy that hangs between our coast line and the Atlantic to announce that troops have been landed at an unnamed number at an unnamed port in France. Only once so far has it named the ships that carried those troops.

To the average American mind the transports leave our shores and reach those of France, and that is all there is to it.

There is much more. Most of this probably will never be told. The endless chain of ships, most of them built in Germany, that carry men and supplies to the immediate rear of the war, and then return for more, have no history.

Yet the history is there, latent and waiting for birth. The fate of America's part in the war, perhaps the fate of the war itself, rests on the blue-jumped shoulders of the transport men. Their business is not to fight, unless ordered. Their task is not to defend so much as to evade. They are responsible for the lives of thousands of temporarily helpless soldiers. They and their ship play a desperate game of tag, in which every U-boat the Kaiser owns is "it" and they and their vessel the lone and unhappy target.

Day by day they come and day by day they go, and of their doings only the high lords of the navy know. Peril of storm and torpedo are theirs. Unrelaxed vigilance and eternal weariness are their duty. And they are doing their work. They are getting the men across. Up to the time this was written, no transport for the Stars and Stripes and carrying her precious load of men and munitions to France has lost in her deadly game of tag. The Tuscanita, it should be remembered, was a British ship.

That is what the men of the transport service, most of whom enlisted to fight and were chosen to run, are doing. How they are doing it is only a partly told tale, caught here and there from letters sent home from French ports by sailors; from descriptions of the trip over "Over There" recounted by soldiers, recovered from the terrible quailms of seasickness and filled with a new-found gratitude and admiration for their brothers in the navy blue who brought them safely across.

Let us call her the Ramapo, because that isn't her name. Let us say still further that she was formerly, before she hauled down the red, white and black and betwixt the Stars and Stripes, the Puert Adolph, which she wasn't and one of the crack liners in the German merchant marine, which she was.

In the dusk of a winter afternoon she slipped down the river and out to sea, unobtrusive in her war paint. Several thousand troops were in the "troop spaces" below decks.

The troops were all kept below while the transport slowly slipped down the stream and the shores grew blurred behind her. Then her engines quickened. Her bow made its first courtesy to the ominous Atlantic swell, and she was on her way across. From now on, for day on day, a torpedo rightly placed might cause a greater loss than the attack of an army corps ashore.

Down in the troop spaces soldiers were singing to keep up their courage. In the quarters of a negro regiment at least a hundred crap games were already in progress. Up in the crew's nests lads only a few times at sea were already on the watch for submarines and seeing periscopes in every wave top.

That night, the storm hit them. All through the night, the section on watch had no time for peaceful thought. They progressed pike-in-the-corner fashion across the heaving decks in the inky darkness, making fast davits that were wrenching free with the rolling, securing a hundred different objects that strove to burst away.

The phosphorescence of the wave tops was the only light they saw. Save for two or three exceptions there was absolutely no illumination on the boat.

Far up on the two masts, swiveling back and forth across the sky in great arcs, were the fore and main tops—the "crow's nests." In each of these four nest were stationed—the eyes of the vessel. In a pent house at the foot of each mast dwelt the commanders of the fore and aft guns, in constant communication with the lookouts above.

Down broke over a thousand ranges of gray, rolling mountains. Behind the Ramapo, two other transports ducked and crashed through the waves. Before her the bulk of an armored cruiser showed now and again through the foam. Waves were breaking over her all the time. She plowed straight through. Sometimes to the mast on the Ramapo it seemed as though only her funnels and masts were above the sea.

The first night, when the Ramapo behaved more like a drunken acrobat than a steady ship, was merely the forerunner of worse things to come. All winter, storms have raged up and down the sea lanes of the Atlantic. Calm days on the trip across are always a rarity in December, January and February. This year they have been scarce.

There were windstorms when the vessel rolled in an arc of 42 degrees. There were days of ice when the spray froze wherever it struck and men came off watch, cased in mail. There were days of snow that lashed the lookouts' faces like whips. There were days of tremendous seas that reached up 80 feet from the water line to rip lifeboats from their davits.

There was little time free of hard work and no leisure for the seaman. To sleep one had to clutch the sides of his bunk, and usually when he relaxed as slumber overtook him, he fell out with a dismal crash.

Day and night, they fought the seas, making fast, repairing, defending their vessel against the unending assault of the waves.

A petty officer was going through the mess hall, progressing cautiously, never letting go of one stable object until he had grasped another, when his grip slipped. He was thrown the whole length of the hall, and was carried a limp piece of bloody wreckage to the sick bay.

They had to operate to save his life, the surgeon said. That in a storm that was making the Ramapo behave like an outlaw horse. But the navy cares for its own and they operated, and the man is still alive. The wind was from the north and was making the ship roll terribly. They turned her bow into the gale and faced into it for two hours, because the notion that way was easier.

The cruiser and her convoy passed at dawn over the horizon. The storm got worse. For two hours the Ramapo steamed slowly into its teeth, alone on the ocean, she and her thousands of men waiting, while in the operating room the surgeon balanced himself to the more regular plump of the vessel and saved the man's life.

The ordeal of the never-ending series of storms was sufficient to try men's souls, scrubbed by other worry. But over the Ramapo hung another threat—the menace that averages any vessel that faces out across the Atlantic.

"Watchful waiting"—the men of the Ramapo grew to know the true inward agony of the word. Always to watch. To stand for a four-hour watch in the crew's nest until your eyes ached from scanning the heaving waves for the sight of the white periscope trail. To tread the deck, your ears ever strained for the dull boom below that might tell of a torpedo driven home. To sleep, with one-half of you wide awake, ready to jump to your appointed post while the vessel dropped swiftly away beneath your feet.

The thing got them. For the first day or so they talked and joked about it. Then into the talking came a note of defiance, as though each man were telling his fellows that he wasn't afraid. Then they stopped talking about it entirely.

Then one morning the section that swells to the twitter of the boat's main pipe caught a new emphasis in the old navy cry:

"Third section on deck, relieve wheel, lookout, speed cone and ammunition."

Especially the lookout. They had reached the far-flung limit of the war zone.

The Ramapo and her consorts and the armored cruiser were all zig-zagging now. Navy men know how long after a vessel has been sighted it takes to aim and discharge a torpedo. Say that it takes five minutes. Every four minutes the vessels changed their course, dodging back and forth from an unseen foe that might not be there at all, interminably.

The lookouts were ordered to report everything they saw. Not a bit of driftwood or a patch of floating seaweed was to be missed. Almost every minute a call came down from the tops to the fore or aft gun control.

All at once down the speaking tube to the forward fire control came an excited voice:

"Fore top, fore top, fore top."
"Aye, aye, fore top."
"Steamer at 185 degrees; range, 2,000 yards."
"Aye, aye, fore top."

There was a steamer, and she was coming down fast, smoke billowing out of her single stack, her bow driving white bursts of foam ahead of her. The cruiser charged toward her. The gun crews on the Ramapo were fighting to bring their pieces to bear.

"It's a German raider," the whisper ran about the ship.

"She have to only a few hundred yards away," relates a member of the crew. "All of our guns were on her. You could see their gray muzzles rise and dip as the ship rolled and the gun pointers held them true on their mark. All at once I realized I loved those guns and the men who were handling them. It was funny I'd never thought of them at all before. Now they seemed to be the biggest thing in the world to me."

There was a sudden gasp of relief all over the ship. The tramp had broken out the British flag. On her bridge someone was semaphoring frantically. The Ramapo men picked up the hysterical message.

"Submarine encountered one hour direct east. Believe it is pursuing. Advise caution."

Then the smoke came bursting from her funnels again and she went blundering on her way over the sea, like a frightened duck.

"Then all at once a whisper ran through the ship. It was repeated as those on the walls of Lucknow must have told of the advancing British column. The destroyers were coming. Somewhere out of that gray, cruel sea the American war boats were sweeping down on the convoy. Our destroyers, our men, they were coming to see their brethren safe through the war zone.

"I shall never forget the way they came. It was a gray afternoon, when the maintop reported the flicker of a blinker signaling far out over the waves. We didn't see them when they came. They seemed to materialize suddenly out of nothing."

"All at once, we saw the first one. She was only a few hundred yards off our bows, and we had to watch her closely to see her at all. That sounds foolish; but it is literal fact. She was camouflaged—streaked and dotted and splashed in a dozen colors, and she melted away into the background of the sea as though she weren't made of steel, but of mist."

"Then we realized that they were all around us. Eight of them. All dappled and harlequin-patterned, all practically invisible at half a mile."

"Their flagship hung for a moment on a wave, then there was a spurt of white at her stern and she came flying down on us. There was no foam by the bow. There was no smoke from the short, rakish funnels, only the quiver of heat from her oil fires. She slipped through the water like a fish, and as she passed us, slim, high bred, with her razor bow and her lean curving flanks, driving through the water like an express train, with no visible effort and as smoothly as a canoe, she broke out the American flag on her stern. We broke out ours, and that was our greeting—that and the yell of the soldiers who were acting like madmen. As she flashed by we caught a glimpse of her guns, all cleared for action and the depth bombs ready at her stern. One of her men, his feet braced to her roll, looked up at us, grinned and then yawned. We knew that was only showing off. He couldn't shame the troops by being brave. They acted like a bunch of kids."

The worst of the war zone was ahead of them, but they didn't worry any longer. They knew the destroyers were on the watch. They ranged here and there. They shot away for a mile or so and came back to swim circles about them. They were all new boats—the best ever built. The British will tell you so, too. They are modeling their new boats on ours.

The submarine couldn't trouble the transports' men now. If one started to worry, all he had to do was to look over the side, and the picture of the destroyers, running the hills of the sea like hounds, was full comfort to him.

A few days later the Ramapo and her consorts were shadowed by the destroyers into the harbor of "A Port in France."

The troops stood at the rail and cheered and laughed and shouted, but we didn't. We were too tired, our jaws were worn out. Anyone who has been on a transport's crew knows all there is to know about the agony of anticipation. We just sat and looked at the green hills and the green roofs and the green waters of the bay, and presently those who weren't on watch went to their bunks and had a good sleep.

"They had brought their men across safe, which has come to be a habit of the transport service. Somehow, I was glad that they put me on a transport, instead of a dreadnaught. It seems as though we were doing more to help win the war, somehow, even if no one ever hears about us."

A CHILD GETS SICK CROSS, FEVERISH IF CONSTIPATED

LOOK AT TONGUE! THEN FRUIT LAXATIVE FOR STOMACH, LIVER, BOWELS.

"CALIFORNIA SYRUP OF FIGS CAN'T HARM CHILDREN AND THEY LOVE IT."



Mother! Your child isn't eating cross and peevish. See if tongue coated; this is a sure sign the stomach, liver and bowels need cleansing at once.

When listless, pale, feverish, cold, breath bad, throat sore, don't eat, sleep or act naturally, has a headache, diarrhea, remember, a gentle liver and bowel cleansing is always the first treatment.

Nothing equals "California Syrup of Figs" for children's ills; give a spoonful, and in a few hours all the foul waste, sour bile and fermented food which is clogged in the bowels passes out of the system, and you have a well and playful child again. All children love this harmless, delicious "fruit laxative," and it never fails to effect a good "inside" cleaning. Directions for babies, children of all ages and grown-ups are placed on the bottle.

Keep it handy in your home. A box given today saves a sick child tomorrow, but get the genuine. Ask your druggist for a bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," then see that it is made by the "California Fig Syrup Company."—Adv.

Up for Inspection.

This is a story told by a man who on furlough from Camp Curtis. The soldiers were lined up for inspection and every man was shaved but one.

"Why have you such a beard asked the sergeant.

"I couldn't find any barber on any place," said the man.

BEAUTY HINTS FOR YOUR HAIR

How to Prevent It From Growing Gray.

There is no occasion for you to be unattractive or prematurely old because of gray, streaked and faded hair. Don't let the condition with its look of age rob you of your youthful beauty and the wonderful opportunities which life offers. No matter how gray, prematurely graying, lusterless or faded your hair might be, "La Creole" Hair Dressing will give the color glands of nature a motive a healthy condition of the hair and scalp—and cause all of your gray or faded hair to become evenly soft, lustrous and beautiful. The preparation is not a dye, but an elegant toilet requisite which is easily applied by simply combing or brushing through the hair.

USE

"LA CREOLE" HAIR DRESSING to prevent your hair from growing gray and to restore a beautiful color to gray or faded hair. Sold and guaranteed by all good drug stores everywhere, or sent direct for \$1.00 by Van Vleet-Mansfield Drug Co., Memphis, Tenn.—(Adv.)

Applicable Anywhere.

What Kitchener said to the English landowner who questioned his worth remembering: "If the Germans should invade England, what uniform should I wear as a member of the Home League to repel them?" asked the landowner. "The suit you wear to be buried in," answered K. of K.

RELIABLE PRESCRIPTION FOR THE KIDNEYS

For many years druggists have watched with much interest the remarkable results maintained by Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder medicine.

It is a physician's prescription. Swamp-Root is a strengthening medicine. It helps the kidneys, liver and bladder do the work nature intended they should do.

Swamp-Root has stood the test of years. It is sold by all druggists in its merit and it should help you. No other kidney medicine has so many friends.

Be sure to get Swamp-Root and read treatment at once. However, if you wish first to test this great preparation send ten cents to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., for a sample bottle. When writing be sure to mention this paper.—Adv.

"Strength is largely a matter of discovering allies."

One must be poor to enjoy it of living.—George Eliot.

RESULTS ARE ALWAYS GOOD

Children and Grown-Ups Alike, Benefited by Old, Reliable Black-Draught.

Mount, Va.—Mrs. Sallie E. Wood, wife of W. T. Chitwood of the same, writes a letter which should be of general interest. It reads: "I am very glad to make a statement in regard to my experience with Theodor Black-Draught. I have used Black-Draught for some time as a liver and stomach medicine and it is splendid."

"I also use Black-Draught for my children in cases of colds or any of the many disorders where a laxative is needed. It has always given satisfaction. I make it in a tea, and it is easy to give and the results are good."

"Children and grown-up folks suffer from pain and misery from liver and stomach troubles. What Black-Draught has done for Mrs. Chitwood and her family, in relieving these troubles, it will, no doubt, also do for yours."

"Black-Draught for colic, teething troubles, sour stomach, indigestion, constipation, headache, nervousness, colds. It has been in such and popular use, as a remedy for these and similar troubles, for over 25 years."

"Black-Draught is recommended for young and old, and is for sale everywhere.—Adv.

"Didn't have to Buy Them. A little boy from a poor district and the girl from the more comfortable side of the city sat side by side in the school. The teacher said to the little girl: 'Gladys, we missed you Sunday school last Sunday.' To which Gladys replied: 'I stayed home because we had a new baby at our house.' The little boy looked up at her in surprise and remarked: 'I thought you had a new baby? Huh! We get 'em for nothing.'"

LEMONS DO MAKE THE SKIN WHITE

HOW TO MAKE A CREAMY LEMON BEAUTY LOTION AT HOME FOR A FEW CENTS.

Your grocer has the lemons and any store or toilet counter will supply you with three ounces of orchard white for a few cents. Squeeze the juice of fresh lemons into a bottle, then put the orchard white and shake well. This makes a quart of the very best lemon skin whitener and complexion beautifier known. Massage this fragrant, creamy lotion daily into the face, arms and hands and just see how freckles, tan, sallowness, redness and blemishes disappear and how smooth, clear and white the skin becomes. Yes! It is harmless, and the beautiful results will surprise you.—Adv.

Slack Season for Hermits.
How long have you been a hermit?
"About ten years," said the picture recluse.
"Do you live in this cave all the year around?"
"Of course not. I've got a little house down the mountainside, and I spend the winters there with my family. There's no demand for souvenirs when the summer hotels around here are closed up."

BOSCHEE'S GERMAN SYRUP

Why use ordinary cough remedies, when Boschee's German Syrup has been used so successfully for fifty-one years in all parts of the United States for coughs, bronchitis, colds, croup, whooping cough, and all troubles in the throat, especially lung troubles. It gives the patient a good night's rest, free from coughing, with a happy expectation in the morning, and gives nature a chance to soothe the inflamed parts, throw off the disease, and help the patient to regain his health. Made in America and sold for more than half a century.—Adv.

Downward Growth.
Teacher—"Why do words have weight, Johnny?" "So that the language can grow."

Vindictive.
Friend—What would you like best this year?
"My summer visitors."

FRECKLES

It is the Time to Get Rid of These Ugly Spots. There is no longer the slightest need of using salams of your freckles, as the new double strength is guaranteed to remove these homely spots. Simply get an ounce of othine—double strength—from your druggist, and apply a little of it at night and morning, and you should see that even the worst freckles have vanished entirely. It is seldom that more than one ounce is needed to completely clear the skin and gain a beautiful complexion. Be sure to ask for the double strength othine, as this is sold under guarantee of money back if it fails to remove freckles.—Adv.

That Depends.
"Dearest, do you believe in love in marriage?" "Oh, yes, if it is one of the high-class suburbs."

BETTER PIGS FROM THIS TILE HOUSE

Permanent Structure of Sunlit Type Found Profitable Investment.

LIGHTING THROUGH THE ROOF

Partitions Should Be on Hinges So That They May Be Swung Up, Permitting Pens to Be Turned Together.

Mr. William A. Radford will answer questions and give advice FREE OF CHARGE on all subjects pertaining to the subject of building work on the farm, for the readers of this paper. On account of his wide experience as Editor, Author and Manufacturer, he is, without doubt, the highest authority on all these subjects. Address all inquiries to William A. Radford, No. 1827 Prairie Avenue, Chicago, Ill., and only inclose three-cent stamp for reply.

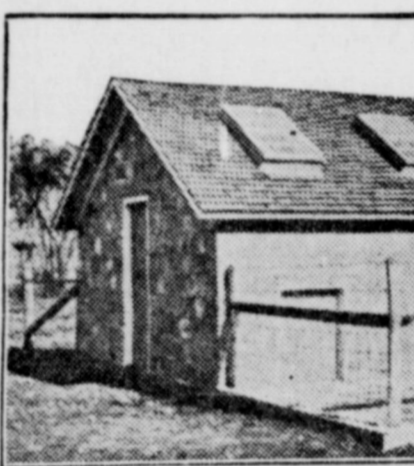
By WILLIAM A. RADFORD.
Too much importance cannot be paid to the construction of your hoghouse, and observation has no doubt convinced you that "permanency pays" in this type of building perhaps more than in any other.

A hoghouse built like a daylight factory is as important to your bank account as to the ultimate consumer of your ham and lard.

By far the most effective means of lighting a hoghouse is shown in the accompanying illustration. It is through the roof, and by using the greenhouse type of sash laid flush with the roof. In this way the sun shines down more directly upon the glass and less of the germ-killing rays are deflected.

It is a well-known fact, that practically no germs can exist in direct sunlight, and therefore you should make use of this cheapest and best disinfectant on the market to do your share in reducing the enormous loss from disease in western hogs.

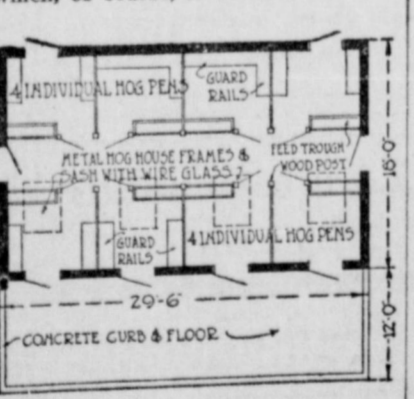
The 6 by 8 or 6 by 7 foot-pen with the 6-foot way along the passage way has proven to be the most economical size in the straight-side hoghouse and an



equivalent number of square feet floor space should be used for each pen in the round hoghouse.

Experience and observation have convinced the writer that the partitions between the pens should be on hinges, so as to swing up. Thus all pens may be turned together. The partitions along the passageway should slide up and be so made that they can be fastened about nine inches above the floor. By having the partitions along the passageway so that they may be raised partly up in this way, it is possible to feed young pigs stimulating and conditioning foods before they are weaned.

Some general details that apply to all types of permanent hoghouses will be interesting. Hollow tile foundations when laid on a hollow tile or concrete footing to get the proper amount of bearing on the ground, are as strong as the wall itself, which, of course, is all that is necessary.



It is only a waste of material to put in a 12 to 16-inch concrete foundation to the floor line when the footing 30 to 36 inches below the ground line can be easily made the proper width, and the wall really started at this point.

It has been demonstrated that in building the foundation in this way to the floor line, fully 50 per cent is saved when a solid concrete foundation is taken into consideration. This is partly on account of no forms required and partly because of the saving of wall above the footing. In laying the hollow tile below the ground level, it has been found that nothing in the way of strength or ability to preserve its purpose is sacrificed by leaving out the joints between the ends of the tile, and a great deal of time, of course, is saved in laying.

Experiments and experience have proven that the only really satisfactory way of building a hoghouse floor is to use hollow tile or fake floor of

boards or some other means of securing dead air spaces immediately under the hogs. This is well secured by using a second-class tile in 4 or 5-inch thickness with a 1-inch top coat of 1 to 4 cement and sand spread on top of this course of tile.

The proper changing of the air in a hoghouse is of the greatest importance, for in order to do it properly, it is necessary to have control at all times and yet have no drafts directly on the hogs.

For letting the air in, openings should be left just under the eaves on each side of any type of hoghouse, and it is found that a 5 by 12 opening about every six feet is very close to being right. This is easily secured by leaving out a 5 by 8 by 12 tile if this size is used.

The exit of the air, the ridge-roll type of ventilator which we have developed, is by far the cheapest and fully as effective as any of the more fancy types. For a few cents, a ridge-roll ventilator will provide as much ventilation as an equivalent number of dollars invested in some of the more elaborate types. These ventilators should be placed from six to eight feet apart, depending upon the exposure of the building.

A very common mistake is made in providing means for the air getting out with no way for it to get in.

Of course, the openings under the eaves should be provided with small doors or other means for shutting off part of the air in extremely cold weather. Sliding doors all connected together by a light rod may be easily made so that the whole side of the building may be regulated at one time.

PUT TABLET OUT OF REACH

Fact That Information It Gave Was Untrue Did Not Disturb Austrian Villagers.

"I remember some years ago," writes a correspondent, "while spending a day and a night in a small Austrian village, not far westward from Vienna, located on a delta formed by the confluence of a lesser stream with the Danube, my attention was arrested while walking through the settlement by a marble tablet, set in the brick wall of a building, on one of the most important street corners. I saw that the tablet bore an inscription, but it was so high above the street that I could not distinguish it; so I asked



of a man who kept a wine shop opposite what the tablet signified.

"It was placed there," said the round publican, "to mark the height of the waters of the Danube at the great freshet of a certain year."

"Mercy!" I said. "As high as that? Why, I should have supposed your village would have been swept away!"

"Oh!" replied the citizen, patronizingly, "that was not where the water was. The Baron Zwetzel gave us the beautiful tablet to mark the great flood and it was put there, where you see the bricks disarranged by that lower window, and that is where the flood was; but the wretched boys defaced it and threw mud at it and made it a mark for their arrows, so we put it up there out of their reach. Aha! They cannot trouble it now."

"And, truly, the man did not seem to see any incongruity in the affair!"

How Man Fights Nature's Forces.

Life is a fight. From cradle to grave man is engaged in a struggle against nature's forces. With our first breath we begin to counter these forces, and continue from our first breath to our last, says Charles M. Horton, in Industrial Management. Individually we are compelled gradually to give way to these forces—to decay. It is the law. Nature dictates. And all life recognizes it. From earliest dawn of history mankind has instinctively resisted this law, actively and passively. Humanity's first thought—self-preservation—is the one big active agent, and as an agent it came to mankind as an outgrowth of primitive man's own endless fight against decay.

Salt as Royal Tribute.

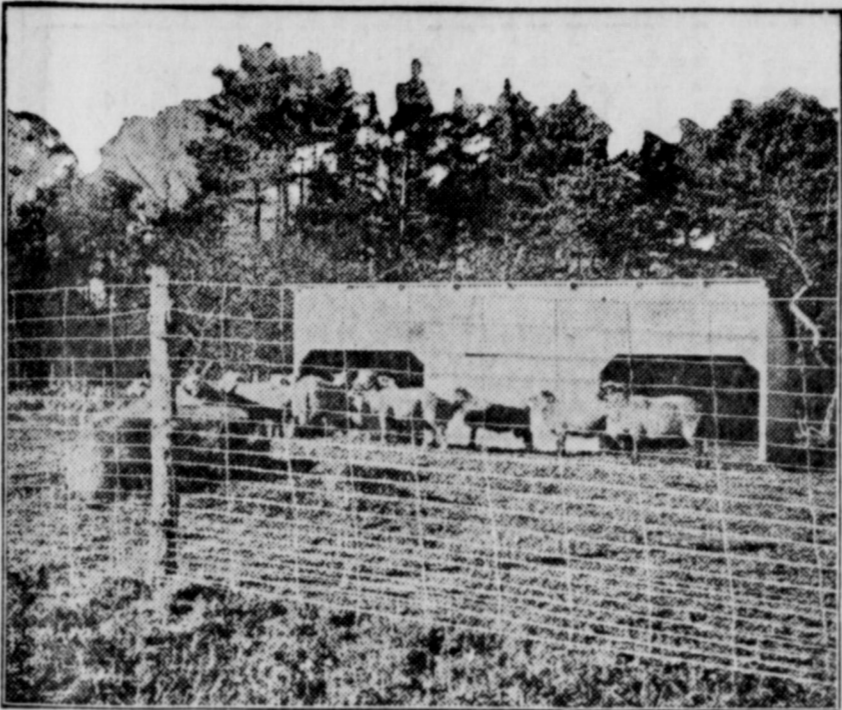
Among the many items of tribute furnished by different cities for the royal revenue, is mentioned "2,000 loaves of very white salt, refined in the shape of a mold, for the consumption of the lords of Mexico." Among some excerpts from the royal account book, of yearly expenditures, extracted by Torquemada, appear 1,300 baskets of salt.—Medicine and Surgery.

Only Plea He Could Put Up.

Two young girls watched the "nutty young Cuthbert" pass along the street. "Did he appeal for exemption?" said May. "Yes," said Ray. "You might have known he would." "On what grounds?" "I don't know," replied Ray, "unless it was upon the grounds that if he went to war his wife's father would have no son-in-law to support."

Helping the Meat and Milk Supply

(Special Information Service, United States Department of Agriculture.)
DOGS THREATEN NEEDED INCREASE IN SHEEP



Dog-Tight Enclosures in Which Sheep Are Herded at Night Offer One Way to Reduce Losses.

HOW DOG LOVERS CAN SAVE SHEEP

Owners of Canines Can Aid by Supporting Fair State Laws Regulating Menace.

BIG HINDRANCE TO INDUSTRY

Most Serious Loss Is Fact That Farmers Are Kept From Engaging in Sheep Business—Dog-Proof Fences Described.

Thousands of sheep are ruthlessly killed every year by dogs. The monetary loss of more than a million dollars a year to sheep owners does not cover the most serious aspect of the damage. The fact that the dog menace keeps many farmers from engaging in the sheep business, even at this time when there are urgent demands for more wool and meat, is the most serious result which may be attributed to sheep-killing dogs. Specialists of the United States department of agriculture are urging efficient state legislation as one of the best ways to deal with the sheep-killing dog problem. Dog-proof fences also are described and advocated in a recent publication of the department of agriculture dealing with this subject, "The Sheep-Killing Dog," Farmers' Bulletin 935.

Hindrance to Industry.

That dogs are a real hindrance to the sheep industry is not only acclaimed by the testimony of thousands of sheep owners but is verified by actual conservative statistics. An investigation by the United States department of agriculture among sheep owners in 15 states east of the Rocky mountains shows that out of a total of 6,836,492 sheep in the 502 counties reporting, 34,683 were killed by dogs in one year—1913—and paid for by the counties. At the same rate of loss in other farm states the total annual destruction of sheep by dogs would be 107,760 head. But these figures are based only upon the number actually paid for, and specialists of the United States department of agriculture say it is more than probable that the true losses far exceed this. It is known that many sheep are killed which are never reported to the county officials.

Sheep-killing dogs work both singly and in groups, but usually in twos or threes. They do not limit their attacks to the flocks of the immediate vicinity in which they are kept, but travel for miles in all directions, spreading destruction in the flocks with which they come in contact. Because their work is so often done under cover of darkness it is almost impossible to catch them in the act of worrying sheep, hence they can seldom be positively identified. The ways in which different dogs attack and destroy sheep vary greatly. Some dogs simply kill one or two in a flock, while others continue to attack until all the sheep are either destroyed or crippled. In many cases where large numbers are killed they are neither bitten nor wounded but simply chased until they die from exhaustion. After a dog has once formed a habit of killing sheep it seemingly becomes a mania with him and he is seldom, if ever, broken of it. He not only destroys sheep himself but leads other dogs to the work. No consideration should be given such dogs; they should be killed as soon as their habits are known.

Rehabilitating Industry.

The desirability of a maximum increase in the number of sheep is generally admitted and steps now are being taken toward a rehabilitation of the sheep industry. But it is recognized that one of the most effective means of insuring the farmer a profit on sheep is to make and enforce laws which adequately protect the farmers' flock, but in most of the states the present dog laws fall in their purpose.

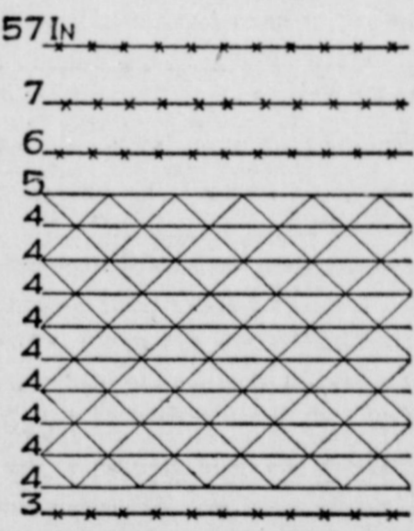
In the publication mentioned in a previous paragraph the federal specialists describe the need of uniform legislation and outline a suggested state dog law.

CANINES KEEP MANY FROM GROWING SHEEP

Crop reporters in 36 farm states submitted estimates in 1913 which showed that the number of sheep in those states could be increased 150 per cent without displacing other live stock. Such an increase would place approximately 34,000,000 more sheep in these states than there are now. Of 1,411 answers received to the question as to whether sheep raising is profitable in the farm states, 887 answered "Yes." Of 894 answers as to the causes preventing increase in the numbers of sheep 531 said "Dogs."

FENCE PROOF AGAINST VARIOUS QUADRUPEDS

Here are the specifications for a dog and coyote-proof fence which has been designed and tried out by the forest service of the United States department of agriculture: Posts 7 1/2 feet in length, set 2 1/2 feet in the ground and 16 feet apart; a barbed wire stretched flat to the surface of the ground; 3 inches higher a 36-inch woven wire fence having a 4-inch triangular mesh;



Government Fence.

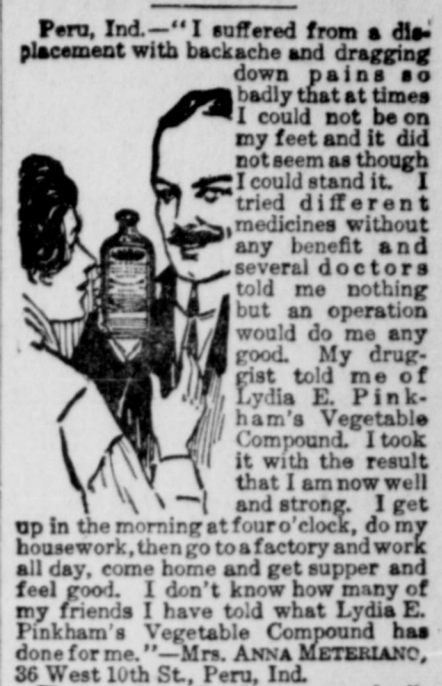
5 inches higher a barbed wire; 6 inches higher a second barbed wire; 7 inches above this a third barbed wire. Total height 57 inches. The farmer who does not object to placing his flock in a corral each night may eliminate the necessity for building dog-proof fences around his farm by enclosing a small area with such a fence and making a practice of placing his flock therein at night.

Help Save Sheep.

The dog rightfully holds a strong place in the minds and affections of men. The owner of a good dog finds in him a most faithful friend. But it sometimes happens that the dog most highly esteemed is also one that kills and worries the most sheep and is the most cunning in obscuring the evidences of his guilt. A well-bred dog's habit of lying innocently asleep in the front yard during the daytime is not proof that the same dog does not kill sheep at night. Because of the economic loss occasioned by sheep-killing dogs, and because such dogs bring the whole of their kind into bad repute, the true admirers and friends of this animal should help to further any steps likely to result in the limitation of the activity of these discrediting members of a noble race. One of the most practicable methods of accomplishing this result seems to be to place upon dogs such tax as will reduce the number of superfluous ones and result in fewer being kept by persons who cannot or will not give them the attention necessary to prevent the formation of habits and associations that lead to sheep killing.

WOMAN WORKS 15 HOURS A DAY

Marvelous Story of Woman's Change from Weakness to Strength by Taking Druggist's Advice.



Peru, Ind.—"I suffered from a displacement with backache and dragging down pains so badly that at times I could not be on my feet and it did not seem as though I could stand it. I tried different medicines without any benefit and several doctors told me nothing but an operation would do me any good. My druggist told me of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I took it with the result that I am now well and strong. I get up in the morning at four o'clock, do my housework, then go to a factory and work all day, come home and get supper and feel good. I don't know how many of my friends I have told what Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has done for me."—Mrs. ANNA METIERIAN, 36 West 10th St., Peru, Ind.

ITCH!

Hunt's Salve, formerly called Hunt's Cure is especially compounded for the treatment of Itch, Eczema, Ring worm, and Tetter, and is sold by the druggist on the strict guarantee that the purchase price, 75c, will be promptly refunded to any dissatisfied customer. Try Hunt's Salve at our risk. Your local druggist, or direct by mail from A. B. Richards Medicine Co., Sherman, Tex.

TWO THINGS THAT WERE NEW

Traveler Learned Something Concerning Delicate Surgical Operation and Peculiar Form of Anesthetic.

It is a Montreal physician who tells the following:

"Some time ago I happened to spend the night in a country town in England, and it happened that there was stopping at the same hotel an itinerant eye specialist.

"We drifted into a conversation, and during the course of the evening he told me of some of the marvelous operations he had performed on the eye. One case in particular he spoke of that caused me considerable astonishment, for I didn't know, I confess, that the operation had been successfully performed. He said he had recently taken out a patient's eye, scraped the back of it and returned it to its proper place. The patient, he said, was never troubled by bad eyesight afterward.

"That was a difficult operation, doctor," said I.

"Yes," said he, "it was."

"I suppose you found it necessary to employ an anesthetic."

"Yes, I did," he admitted.

"What anesthetic did you use, doctor?" I persisted.

"Oh, well, unless you are familiar with such operations you probably wouldn't understand if I were to tell you. But—well, it was shaped something like a spoon," explained the eminent specialist.

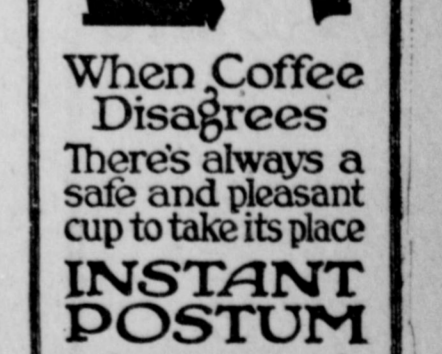
Naturally.

"What does that sign mean, 'Let All Observe Cornless Days'?"

"It belongs to a chiroprapist."

A pledge is a signal to go to work at it.

It's the bill for a woman's stunning Easter gown that shocks her husband.



When Coffee Disagrees There's always a safe and pleasant cup to take its place INSTANT POSTUM is now used regularly by thousands of former coffee drinkers who live better and feel better because of the change.

"There's a Reason"

The McLean News

Published every Friday

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Volunteers, recipients of medals, and cards of thanks charged for at regular advertising rates.

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Announcements

The following announcements are subject to the Democratic Program, July 27, 1915.

- For Democratic Club Director: C. W. TERRY; For County Judge: T. M. WILSON; For County and District Clerk: W. E. PATTERSON; For Sheriff and Tax Collector: W. S. CHESTNUT, S. L. RICE, W. A. CLARK; For Tax Assessor: A. H. BRIDGEMAN, T. H. PHILLIPSON, J. H. SATTINGER, J. H. PARKER; For County Treasurer: HENRY TERRY; For Public Weigher, Prec. No. 1: A. W. WILLIAMS, JESSE KIRKMAN

Put This in Your Hat

- An army corps is 50,000 men; An infantry division is 15,000 men; An infantry brigade is 7,500 men; A regiment of infantry is 3,000 men; A battalion is 1,000 men; A company is 250 men; A field battery has 100 men; A platoon is 50 men; A sergeant's squad is 12 men; A firing squad has 5 men; A cavalry troop has 200 men; A machine gun battalion has 1,000 men; An ambulance company has 100 men; A field hospital has 100 men; A medical attachment has 100 men; A major general leads the field army and also each army corps; A brigadier general leads each infantry brigade; A colonel leads each regiment; A lieutenant colonel is next in rank below a colonel; A major leads a battalion; A captain leads a company; A lieutenant leads a platoon; A sergeant is next below a lieutenant; A corporal is a squad officer; -Beverly Program.

For Sale: Cotton Seed Cake, Oats, Corn, Cow Feed, Hay, Millet Seed, Case Seed, Dwarf Kain Seed, Hypena Seed, White Seed, Sudan Grass Seed, Brown Corn Seed, Crowder Peas, Uncle Sam's Stock Medicine, We Buy Sods, HENRY & CHENEY

ARE YOU FOR AMERICA OR FOR GERMANY?

Which Will YOU Wear? The Kaiser would gladly center the Iron Cross on the man who stopped buying a bond of the THIRD LIBERTY LOAN. UNCLE SAM proudly gives the Button to the man who buys a THIRD LIBERTY LOAN BOND.

You think this an unnecessary question, but stop and think. A traitor is a man who gives aid and comfort to the enemy. Do you know of any better way of giving aid and comfort to the enemy than to leave your money in the bank doing nothing, when it could be used by the Government to build ships, make ammunition, and so help win the war? The Kaiser would ask nothing more of an American friendly towards Germany. He could hardly ask him to openly fight the Government of this country, because he would go straight into an internment camp, but he would ask him to do all in his power to hold up contribution of money to the allied cause, because the Kaiser knows that at the very end it will be money and resources, and nothing but money and resources, that will beat him to his knees.

You may say "If I do not subscribe to the Loan that is no reason why other people should not, therefore the matter is entirely a personal one." It is not. Example is everything in such matters. If you subscribe freely your neighbors will subscribe freely. If you are a tightwad your neighbors will see no reason why they should be anything else but tightwads.

Do not feel offended at having this matter put up to you so plainly. There is many and many a good American who believes that he has done his full duty when he has not done it at all. This war is now three thousand miles away, and it is a little hard to realize all the grave necessities of the situation.

Read over a perfectly true incident which occurred only last week at the Union Station, Dallas. The writer of these lines watches for the truth of the story, which follows:

"Last night I saw a soldier taking leave of his mother at a railroad station. The two drew away from the crowd, the woman drew her arms around the boy's neck, and looked up at him as she said words which will remain forever sacred to the occasion.

For a moment I could not see very clearly, and was consequently I bumped into a friend of mine, a man, by the way, who has made more money this year than ever before in his life. After a friendly greeting he said, 'Say, you fellows are getting to be pretty hard on this Liberty Loan business. Do you realize that we are having to make some terrible sacrifices to meet our quota?'

"My friend has a business, owns farm land, and has a substantial bank balance; he has no boy in the army, and he has subscribed ten thousand dollars to the Liberty Loan. His sacrifice consisted of the loss of about one and three-quarters per cent on ten thousand dollars, for probably he would have secured an per cent instead of four and one-quarter per cent had he invested his money in some way other than the purchase of Liberty Bonds.

"What is the matter with my friend? Is he a pro-German or a traitor, or a poor American even? Not a bit of it! He just has not the right glasses for his mental vision. He doesn't see things quite right, that's all. He will, though—I am sure of it."

The Wheeler Sun of April 10th failed to reach us as is explained by the following editorial, which proves that everything is not always lovely with an editor: "The Sun failed to appear last week, the reason being that the editor, who also does all the mechanical work, had a severe attack of mumps and they remained with us faithfully until the last part of this week."

Mrs. B. B. French entertained a number of friends at her home in the east part of McLean Saturday evening.

Mrs. Jan. F. Bogart is in the city last this week.

For Correct Notary and Abstract Work and Perfecting Titles, See Jas. F. Heasley Office Over Bundy-Biggers

Baptist Church Has Fine Music

Those who have not attended services at the Baptist church lately have an agreeable surprise in store for them in a musical way.

Since the new pastor, Rev. J. F. Bogart, came to town the choir has been reorganized and the singing much improved. Sunday Mrs. Maude Pearson, who is one of the best musicians in this section, played the piano and this, combined with the quality of the singing, produced a result highly pleasing to all who enjoy good music.

Miss Fannie Bailey left Wednesday for Dallas, where she will go into training as a Red Cross nurse.

Some are giving their lives The least YOU can do—Buy Liberty Bonds

We Have Received

a big lot of Women's and Children's Slippers. The season's newest styles, in shapes to fit your feet. Prices reasonable.

First Class Shoe Repairing Have the shoes repaired and save money. Will fit your shoes RIGHT and guarantee our work.

McLean Shoe Store

SCREEN DOORS

We have a large stock of screen doors and screen wire

Phone Us We will be glad to serve you

Western Lumber Company PHONE 4

To the farmers of Texas

I have the famous Weibane Cotton Seed for sale. Write to the Hughes-Cox Co. of Chillicothe, with whom I have ginned for several years. Ask how I go and care for my planting seed, also as to the yield, 30 to 40 per cent. Apply to R. F. Cook, 4 miles north of Chillicothe, Texas.

J. W. WHITTLE Chillicothe, Texas

I have known Mr. Whittle for eight years. He picks cotton and stores it until he gets 30 or 40 bales, cleans gins out and grows again in order to keep seed pure. He buys seed direct from Weibane each year. J. O. QUATTLEBAUM.

Price \$2 Per Bushel Sack, f. o. b. Chillicothe

McLean Furnishes 20 Barracks for Cavalry Troop

Capt. Solon C. Hill came over from Gault last week and appointed Clay E. Thompson recruiting officer for the National Guard Cavalry troop he is organizing for service at the border.

Mr. Thompson tells us that 20 recruits have been secured here. Today is the date set for medical examinations, which will likely take place this afternoon.

We are unable at present to give names of men who go from McLean but hope to do so next week.

Little Miss Fern Wilson is real sick this week with a combination of measles and whooping cough.

Edler Hill will preach at the Church of Christ Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and at night.

Trade Locals

Dr. J. A. Hall, Dentist, will be in McLean Thursday, Friday and Saturday, May 8, 10 and 11.

Small select line of baby slippers for ladies, misses and children coming. Don't be too busy in buying, but see our line first. Bundy & Biggers.

Card of Thanks

This is to thank the people of Wichita and McLean for their kindness to us during the sickness and death of our son and grandson, little William Allen. We wish also to thank the Woodmen and Odd Fellows lodges for the beautiful floral offerings. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Turner, J. Lee Turner and family.

O. K. Scratch Feed for chickens. W. J. Keasler.

Nice bright baled hay, also bundle maize for sale. Geo. Bourland, Phone 52, 2 rings, 212

Taken up, at my place 4 1/2 miles west of town, one roan pony four years old. Owner can have same by paying for this ad and for keep. Bob Ashby. 16 1/2

I have one of the best washing machines on the market, and will put them out on trial, call and see them. C. S. Rice.

RIT—Washes and dyes fabrics in one operation without boiling. Palace Drug Store.

A new shipment of rugs received, you will want one, why not get it now. C. S. Rice.

Vapo Cresolene—For whooping cough and croup. Palace Drug Store.

Bread and vegetables Saturday. Bundy & Biggers.

100 bushels of cane seed and about 60 bushels of kafer seed for sale. Write to Ibea Parker, Pampa, Texas. 15 1/2

I am still writing Fire and Tornado Insurance, better be safe than sorry. C. S. Rice.

Dr. J. A. Hall, dentist, will be in McLean Thursday, Friday and Saturday, May 9, 10 and 11.

Hogs for sale—Registered Duroc Jerseys, shoats, both sexes, also breed sows. R. S. Jordan. 10 ft.

Johnson's wax for furniture and automobiles. Makes them look new. Palace Drug Store.

Painting and paper hanging—estimates on any kind of job furnished free. S. J. Hodges

Japanese Menthodine for neuralgia, catarrh, cold in chest, cough, sore throat, insect bites and bruises. Palace Drug Store.

For Sale—Ranch and stock, plenty of running water. Four miles north of McLean. S. B. East. 14 1/2

Kings Kidney Remedy. Made of herbs. Palace Drug Store.

For sale—a fine registered Duroc Jersey male, age 7 months. O. W. Latson, phone 145 28 1/2. 16 1/2

Big German miller seed at Henry & Cheney's. R. S. Jordan. 14 1/2

Try Pyrex Glass Cooking ware, clean and sanitary. C. S. Rice.

To Subscribers of Aeroplane Stock

Those who have subscribed to the stock of Arthur Poncelet's Safety Aeroplane Company will please call on me when in town and pay for their stock subscription, in order that work can be begun as soon as possible. If you will do this you will eliminate the trouble and expense of calling on each subscriber personally. A receipt will be given for your money, and the stock will be issued as soon as the stock certificates can be secured and properly signed. D. N. Massay. 12

All Odd Fellows are hereby notified that the Grand Lodge has made an assessment of \$2 per member to create a fund for war emergencies. Please pay same to secretary at once. A. W. Haynes, secretary.

Still have some more of those home grown Mexican beans. Also some choice Tom Watson mutton seed. Leave orders at McLean Mill. A. C. Walden. 17 1/2

Buy Liberty Bonds.

WOMEN OF AMERICA!!!



"I need your help
as much as I need
Soldiers in France"

BUY YOUR **LIBERTY BONDS** TO DAY

John Doctoro
Dallas

Red Cross Column

Messrs. Erwin and Adams. The ladies decided that such nice remembrances increase the attendance and more work can be accomplished.

Remember the work room is open every afternoon during the week except Saturday, from 2 until 6 p. m. The Supervisor for each afternoon is requested to be there by 1:30 in order to have everything in readiness to begin work promptly at 2.

Mr. Simmons of St. Louis, general manager of the south western division of the Red Cross, but who is now in France studying the needs over there, sends an urgent appeal to the chapters here to increase with all rapidity possible the output of surgical dressings as the demand is very great at this time. Let more workers come and help.

Tuesday of each week has been designated as "girls day." All the girls in town and surrounding country are urged to come on this day and do their bit. If as many as 30 respond the whole day will be devoted to the work, dividing the class. Miss Ruby Cook is supervisor. There were 22 present last

Tuesday and the girls proved to be excellent workers. 109 slings were finished.

Last Thursday, April 25 was the banner day at the work room. The following ladies were present and a great deal was accomplished. Mesdames Rice, Shelton, Watkins, Cash, Cook, Duncan, Paschall, Henry, Sparks, Harris, Williams, Grigsby, Massey, Chambers, Jones, Smith, Everetts, Misses Cook, Burr, Boucher, Wilson, and Watkins.

In an address given in one of our near cities a few days ago by Mrs. Edmund F. Brown of St. Louis, director of women's Red Cross work in the southwest an appeal was made to the women to wake up—to become worthy of those who will lay down their lives for us. We are not yet conscious of what is expected of us. We have got to show our boys we are with them and its got to be the real thing—no pretending. Neutrality was not taken from the Red Cross emblem until it was absolutely necessary, Mrs. Brown stated. She said the Hun had broken all rules of neutrality, and had fired on the Red Cross in violation of his pledge, has sunk Red Cross ships. She related an instance of where a Red Cross unit had been attacked by bombs and then sent messages that it would again be attacked if the unit did not move farther from the firing line. But the Red Cross is a fighting unit now and must keep near the front in order that the reputation of saving all but seven out of 1,000 wounded will be kept up, she said. She appealed for more to become actively connected with the organization and stated that reports show that 75 per cent of a chapter's work is done by a certain set of not more than 20 women—the remainder dropping into the work rooms only when nothing else needed their attention. She emphasized that the Red Cross is not a "ladies' aid society," but a fighting branch.

Enlist! a Call for Volunteers

Sunday, May 5th, will be Enlistment Day at the Baptist Sunday school. Every girl, boy, woman or man not now in Sunday school is especially invited to be present at that time and enlist in this great work. Special music. Meet promptly at 10 o'clock. C. S. Rice, Superintendent.

LADIES HOUSE DRESSES

Our immense stock offers unusual selections. Pretty gingham and percales made into neat house dresses. Some are trimmed in braids, others in contrasting colors and still others with white collars, cuffs and belt. These garments are priced at wonderful savings, many of them at less than you can buy the material.

Children's Dresses

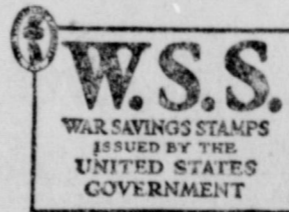
A complete line of gingham dresses for the girls of all ages. New patterns and styles well made and neatly trimmed in many clever ways.

T. J. COFFEY

Germany Wanted Texas in 1842

The amazing announcement was made last year, through the shrewdness of United States secret service men, that one of the plans of Germany toward conquering the world was to give Texas to Mexico, in order to secure the support of that country in a conquest of the United States. This brings to mind that once before, in the days when Texas was a republic, Germany had this same object of making Texas a German dependence in view. Frederick Eby, Ph. D., professor of the History of Education in the University of Texas, has found some interesting facts among the documents in the archives of the library at the University bearing upon the movement to make Texas a part of Germany. In speaking of this interesting historical epoch, Mr. Eby says:

"In 1842, twenty-one of the nobles of Germany, and the Crown Prince of Prussia, among them, formed an 'Adelverein,' known officially in Texas as the German Emigration Society. In the prospectus of the society they bewail the emigration of so many of their subjects, due to un-



sharp land agents, and the Society collapsed. The real reason, however, for its failure and destruction was the union of the infant Republic of Texas with the United States in 1845.

Johnson-Norman

Mr. Wm. K. Norman of Pampa and Miss Jewel Johnson of the Gracey community were married at the Baptist parsonage Thursday afternoon, Rev. Reagan officiating.

Mr. Norman is one of a number who will go into the army at the next draft, and preferred to marry before he went rather than to wait until after the war is over.

The News joins in congratulating the newlyweds, and wishes the groom the best of luck and for both of them a long and happy married life.

For Sale.—A team of mares, two sets double chain harness, one set single harness, one hack, one buggy, one saddle with bridle and blanket. Call or phone G. H. Williams, phone 118. 1tp

Sid Denson made a trip to Amarillo early

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MANY HORSES ARE USED BY ARMIES

Shortage of Animals Means Losses of Cannon and Prevents Rapid Advance.

47,000 A MONTH ARE KILLED

About 80 Per Cent of Animals Wounded Are Sent Back to the Front After Treatment in Red Star Hospitals.

New York.—Necessity of sending hundreds of thousands of horses to France for the American artillery units and of establishing hospitals for the treatment of wounded animals is emphasized by Dr. W. O. Stillman, president of the Red Star animal relief, in bulletins upon the work of the organization. He said that the Germans had lost many batteries of field pieces because of lack of animals to draw them to safety during allied advances, while fewer guns had been lost by the British partly because they had large numbers of horses.

4,500,000 Horses in Use. Figures compiled by the society show that there are 4,500,000 in use by all the armies in the war, and that the losses on the western front alone have averaged 47,000 a month. In a three-mile front at Verdun the French lost more than 5,000 horses. About 1,500,000 of the horses were bought by the allies in America and were transported with large losses. About 33,000 died on this side after they had been purchased and were awaiting shipment to Europe and 6,000 died in the ships. The value of the horses shipped to Europe last year was more than \$50,000,000 and the loss for a heavy month of fighting is about \$1,500,000.

There are about 22,000,000 horses in America, and the estimates are that an American army of 2,000,000 men will need about 750,000 horses for draft purposes and mounts, and several hundred thousands more to fill up the losses of battle. The need of shipping to maintain this force at highest efficiency, to transport animals to fill the losses, with only part of the fodder, would be 50 ships a month.

Fighting units can deal only with well animals. As soon as a horse becomes sick, diseased, shell-shocked or wounded it must be removed to the rear and a sound, vigorous animal sent forward to take its place. Thousands of animals are in the hospitals at one time. They must be cured as quickly as possible to take the places of the injured which are certain to reach the hospital.

Animal Hospitals. Behind the British lines animal hospitals are everywhere. To the left, to the right, there is a hospital not more than four miles away, and eight miles away from each is another. The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals has hospitals for 10,000 horses and mules. A field hospital is no mere stable shack. It is a group of well-designed buildings, complete with operating rooms, operating equipment, ambulances, forage barns, cooking kitchens, quarters for the staff, and every other detail necessary for curing and restoring thousands of wounded animals. It must have an ample staff of veterinarians and helpers—not mere stablemen, but men with experience in animal hospital work, who can bandage a wound or give a hand to the veterinarian who is performing an operation. They are saving 80 per cent of the horses and sending them back to their batteries again.

RECALLS DAYS OF LAFAYETTE

Sign That Formally Hung on Tavern at Lisbon, Conn., is Unearthed in Attic.

Lisbon, Conn.—A sign, finely carved, which formerly hung on the Johnson Tavern in this town and bearing on its face the inscription, "Refreshment for Man and Beast," with the date of its construction, 1768, and a finely carved representation of an elm tree, which formerly stood in front of the old tavern, was recently unearthed in an attic of the home of A. F. Read here. The tavern formerly sheltered Lafayette when he passed through this country after the Revolution.

MAKE VAGRANTS WORK

Georgia Is No Place for the "Weary Willies."

Governor Puts into Force Machinery That Will Reach Them in That State.

Savannah, Ga.—Woe to every "Weary Willam" that brings himself Georgiaward in the quest of rest and peace under the balmy Southern skies from now on.

As a war measure Gov. Hugh Dorsey has put into force machinery designed to force every vagrant in Georgia to go to work, and it will be systematically and persistently followed up by him as a means of relieving the farm labor shortage.

To meet the situation Governor Dorsey has addressed a special and urgent communication to every county council of defense in the state requesting

AMERICAN GUNNERS



The deadly "seventy-fives," the pride of France and the fear of Germans, have been manufactured in abundance in the war plants of our sister republic, and many have been loaned to our artillerymen until the arrival of our own guns from America.

DANCES JIG AT AGE OF 102

Wisconsin Centenarian is Spryer Than Most Men at the Age of Thirty.

La Crosse, Wis.—Tom Edwards of Viola, Crawford county, who is one hundred and two years old, can dance a jig and hurdle a chair with greater ease than most men of thirty. He attributes his longevity to the fact that he never worries, has never drunk anything stronger than sweet cider and has never used tobacco. He confesses a weakness for candy.

The German postal authorities are organizing a telephone service between the large cities and the army fronts. Conversation cannot last longer than nine minutes.

ODD HIDING PLACE OF A BOCHE SNIPER



A Pollu posing in the stump of a tree from which a Boche sniper for months made life miserable for the men in the first line trenches in the Aisne sector. A French raiding party under cover of night finally discovered the Boche in the stump of this willow tree and the sniper will snipe no more.

IN PRAISE OF THRIFT

By Katherine Lee Bates of The Vigilantes.

Hall, homely Virtue, Wealth Incognito, Train us in all those little arts you know, Until this reckless nation learns to stir, Its golden grain and gather ocean's drift And woodland's waste to make far hearth-dre's glow.

We have been spendthrifts, and we liked it so, But for the world's wide hunger we forego Our pleasant prodigalities. We'll mend Our clothes, our ways, and burn a candle-end To you, O Patron Saint in Calico.

FINDS PEARL WORTH \$2,500

Discovery in Black River in Missouri Sends Whole County Wild With Excitement.

West Plains, Mo.—A pearl, said to be worth \$2,500, was found in a shell in the Black river, near here, and the county is wild with excitement. A stranger stepped into the store of Mel Fry a few days ago and showed him a pearl as big as a hazel nut sticking in a shell. The two soon came to terms.

A few days later pearl buyers made an offer of \$2,000 to Mr. Fry for the pearl the way it stood and \$2,500 if it proved perfect. It weighs 150 grains. Fry refused to sell.

BUFFALO HERD THRIVES WELL

Seventy-Five Placed in Yellowstone Park Twenty-Five Years Ago Now Totals 320 Head.

Cody, Wyo.—There's no race suicide among the herd of buffalo that the United States government maintains at Yellowstone park. Twenty-five years ago, when Uncle Sam feared the buffalo was becoming extinct, he placed a herd of 75 in the preserve here. Today, according to T. G. Frazer, keeper of the herd, there are 320 head. Fifty-six calves have been born during the past six months.

RICHEST TOWN IN COUNTRY

Population of 1,500 Has Per Capita Cash Wealth of \$2,133.

St. Clairsville, O.—This town is priding itself as being one of the richest of its size in the United States. With a population of only 1,500, made up mostly of farmers and coal miners, its three banks recently had cash deposits amounting to \$3,200,000. The per capita cash wealth of every man, woman and child is therefore \$2,133.

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Listen to me! Calomel sickens and you may lose a day's work. If bilious, constipated or headachy read my guarantee.

Listen to me! If you want to enjoy the nicest, gentlest liver and bowel cleansing you ever experienced, just take a spoonful of harmless Dodson's Liver Tone tonight. Your druggist or dealer sells you a bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone for a few cents under my

personal money-back guarantee that each spoonful will clean your sluggish liver better than a dose of nasty calomel and that it won't make you sick.

Dodson's Liver Tone is real liver medicine. You'll know it next morning, because you will wake up feeling fine, your liver will be working; headache and dizziness gone; stomach will be sweet and bowels regular.

Dodson's Liver Tone is entirely vegetable, therefore harmless and can not salivate. Give it to your children. Millions of people are using Dodson's Liver Tone instead of dangerous calomel now. Your druggist will tell you that the sale of calomel is almost stopped entirely here.—Adv.

Some people think they are never talked about because they never hear it.

The chap who gathers wool may expect to be fleeced himself now and then.

He who has "common" sense has sense to "come on" in the world.

Our most exclusive circles—silver dollars.

Nebuchadnezzar had to eat grass. Is Hooverism really new?

The intellectual type of beauty is heard but not seen.

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YOU know how cooking brings out all the rich pungent flavor of bacon—there's nothing that tastes better. But you wouldn't like it raw.

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Win the War by Preparing the Land Sowing the Seed and Producing Bigger Crops

Work in Joint Effort the Soil of the United States and Canada CO-OPERATIVE FARMING IN MAN POWER NECESSARY TO WIN THE BATTLE FOR LIBERTY

The Food Controllers of the United States and Canada are asking for greater food production. Scarcely 100,000,000 bushels of wheat are available to be sent to the allies overseas before the crop harvest. Upon the efforts of the United States and Canada rests the burden of supply.

Every Available Tillable Acre Must Contribute; Every Available Farmer and Farm Hand Must Assist

Western Canada has an enormous acreage to be seeded, but man power is short, and an appeal to the United States allies is for more men for seeding operation.

Canada's Wheat Production Last Year was 225,000,000 Bushels; the Demand From Canada Alone for 1918 is 400,000,000 Bushels

To secure this she must have assistance. She has the land but needs the men. The Government of the United States wants every man who can effectively help, to do farm work this year. It wants the land in the United States developed first of course; but it also wants to help Canada. Whenever we find a man we can spare to Canada's fields after ours are supplied, we want to direct him there.

Apply to our Employment Service, and we will tell you where you can best serve the combined interests.

Western Canada's help will be required not later than May 5th. Wages to competent help, \$50.00 a month and up, board and lodging.

Those who respond to this appeal will get a warm welcome, good wages, good board and find comfortable homes. They will get a rate of one cent a mile from Canadian boundary points to destination and return.

For particulars as to routes and places where employment may be had apply to: U. S. EMPLOYMENT SERVICE, DEPARTMENT OF LABOR KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

Red-blooded men of courage are on the firing line—and there are many anemic, weak, discouraged men and women left at home.

At this time of the year most people suffer from a condition often called Spring Fever. They feel tired, worn out, before the day is half thru. They may have frequent headaches and sometimes "rimpy" or pale skin.

Bloodless people, thin, anemic people, those with pale cheeks and lips, who have a poor appetite and feel that tired, worn or feverish condition in the springtime of the year, should try the refreshing tonic powers of a good alternative and blood purifier. Such a one is extracted from Blood root, Golden Seal and Stone root, Queen's root and Oregon Grape root, made up with chemically pure glycerine and without the use of alcohol. This can be obtained in ready-to-use tablet form in sixty-cent vials, as druggists have sold it for fifty years as Doctor Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It is a standard remedy that can be obtained in tablet or liquid form.

A good purge should be taken once a week even by persons who have a movement daily, in order to eliminate matter which may remain and cause a condition of auto-intoxication, poisoning the whole system. To clean the system at least once a week is to practice health measures. There is nothing so good for this purpose as tiny pills made up of the May-apple, leaves of aloe and jalap, and sold by almost all druggists in this country as Doctor Pierce's Pleasant Pellets, sugar-coated, easy to take.

An Estimate of Rastus.

Mandy—Rastus, you all knows dat you remind me of dem dere flyin' machines?

Rastus—No, Mandy; how's dat?

Mandy—Why, becays youse no good on earth.—Sun Dial.

The Sort.

"What kind of men do they have for the crews of torpedo boats?"

"I suppose they are sub-marines."



IT'S A LONG TALE BUT ALL CUT IT SHORT

MOCO MONKEY GRIP IS THE BEST TIRE PATCH!

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Provided You Do Your Share

General Haig said to his men, just before the last great German offensive: "I call upon every man to conduct himself as though the result of the battle depended upon his personal efforts alone."

No deeper or more significant message was ever delivered to men entering a life and death struggle. This was the philosophy of the Soldier—it must be the philosophy of the Civilian. It is possible to over-emphasize the very real and deep personal responsibility of every man and woman in the great National crisis. Every American faces a lifetime of satisfaction or regret for the part that he plays in this war. Experts in figures assure us that the average American is called upon to set aside about one-fifth of his income for the use of the Government, the money to be turned over to the Government in the form of taxation or the purchase of Liberty Bonds. It is not only one-fifth of your neighbor's income, but your's, that is called for. Have you done your share?

Only Loyal Citizens Desired as Customers

One day last week while the Davidson Ladies Store was being conducted by the Red Cross ladies of the local Chapter a prospective lady customer entered the store and was solicited by the flower girls to buy a bunch of flowers from the Red Cross. She refused, stating that she would not buy from the Red Cross. While she was being shown some hats by the clerks the information was carried to Manager Louis Levin that the woman had refused to buy flowers from the Red Cross. He instructed the clerks not to sell her a hat or anything unless she could treat the Red Cross considerably by buying some flowers. As a result the woman left the store without a purchase but she was probably wiser as to the very high respect in which the Red Cross is held by the business concern.—Childress Post.

Sid Morgan of Jericho was in town Wednesday, on his way to Shamrock.

The Baptist Ladies Aid met with Mrs. J. E. Kirby and spent a social afternoon Tuesday. At about 4:30 o'clock angel food war cake and hot chocolate were served to the 16 guests present, after which the ladies departed for their homes to meet with Mrs. Floyd next Tuesday. All reported a good time and think Mrs. Kirby a worthy hostess. Mrs. James will lead the devotional exercises at the next meeting.

A Correction

In last week's News we stated that the senior play, as produced in Pampa, was for the benefit of Pampa Red Cross and McLean High School, whereas it should have been stated that the proceeds went to McLean and Pampa Red Cross chapters. We are glad to make this correction.

E. W. England was here from Holly, Colo., Tuesday.

Karry Norman of Pampa was in the city Saturday.

German Newspapers Expose Brutality of German Officers

The naked brutality of Prussian militarism in every day garrison life is revealed by the testimony of German soldiers, press and public men. The German government from the kaiser down has supported German army officers in their revolting brutality to German soldiers. This is the evidence contained in the United States Government's latest war booklet of the War Information Series, entitled "German Militarism and Its German Critics." This booklet is released through the Committee on Public Information, Washington, D. C., to the American public. Anyone may obtain a copy without cost by writing the committee. The author of this booklet is Charles Altshul, a retired banker of New York City, who has made a very careful study of German newspaper criticism. It is a most powerful exposure of German Militarism, Mr. Altshul states "beating and abusing have been in vogue in the Prussian army as long as it had existed, nearly 275 years, and every effort to eradicate the trouble has failed." There are five chapters in this interesting booklet, the first dealing with German militarism since 1914; the second on the brutalizing effect of militarism; the third shows the German exaltation of the army above the civil authorities; the fourth chapter illustrates the Zabern Incident as an evidence of militarism over civil authority; and the fifth chapter deals with the hope of the future in the conduct of German military authorities. All material in this booklet is based upon verbatim quotations from German newspapers who stood aghast at the display of license and unbelievable brutality practiced by commissioned and non-commissioned officers in the German army barracks. The main source of information is the "Vorwarts," the official organ of the German Social Democratic party. At the trial of Rosa Luxemburg 922 men from all parts of Germany responded and were ready to testify to something like 30,000 separate instances of brutal treatment of German soldiers by their own officers, even at the risk of prosecution by the military authorities. One chapter of this testimony reads, "He was struck in the face with the fist of Lieutenant Erier, so that a tooth bled and got loose. He was beaten till he was bleeding, but report of the case was not sent higher up. Musketeer Hempel shot and killed himself after drill because he had been grossly insulted by a corporal in front of the company. A reservist threw himself in front of a railroad train; another drowned himself, because they could no longer stand the abuse of non-commissioned officer Huebner." So overwhelming was the evidence prepared by attorney for Rosa Luxemburg that German Military authorities never allowed the case to be brought to trial. In another paragraph of this booklet Mr. Altshul states, "If Americans had been familiar with the details of German Militarism they would have expected the worst during the stress of a campaign, and would have been less unprepared for the unheard of barbarities practiced by the Germans in Belgium and wherever they set foot. If officers, non-commissioned officers and professional regulars treat their own recruits in the fashion described, in times of peace, what could be expected of troops commanded by such ruffians in enemy country, under the terrific excitement of combat, and particularly when "frightfulness" is the slogan. Summarizing the hope for the future, Mr. Altshul says "when the German people awaken from a nightmare which

now holds them in its grasp; when they realize it was the dream of world power that had blinded them; when, under the pressure of stern necessity, they recast their views of frightfulness and of its consequences;—then they will reawaken that conscience which the liberal press endeavored to stimulate in times of peace, and it will again be possible to treat with Germany of today as with the Germany of old, when she had not yet sacrificed her soul on the altar of efficiency.—Exchange.

The Junior Red Cross Is Doing Splendid Work

Hundreds of thousands of children in the Southwest are helping to win the war for America and her allies. There are not better patriots in the United States, in the whole world. In cities and towns the children, a majority of whom are members of the Junior Red Cross, are working in thrift gardens, knitting sweaters, socks, etc., for our soldiers, turning old paper, rubber, metals and bottles into cash and investing the returns in thrift stamps and liberty bonds, making refugee activity of the Red Cross in which they can be of service. In the country the children, who also generally are members of the Junior Red Cross, are raising pigs, sheep, rabbits, chickens, making gardens, doing general farm work to aid in the production of foodstuffs, canning and preserving, and like their city cousins they are buying Thrift Stamps and Liberty Bonds, knitting and making refugee garments.

Schools Close to Aid Juniors

Many rural schools already have suspended until next fall and thousands of children have begun Spring and Summer campaigns which have for their purpose the doing of everything possible to win the war. In a majority of the towns and cities of the Southwest the schools still are in session and the children are taking their knitting to school with them and working on it at recess time and the noon hour, then doing other Red Cross work after school hours.

The pupils of 3,500 schools in the Southwestern division of the Red Cross have joined the Junior Red Cross since the membership campaign started early in February.

More than 100,000 children of the St. Louis schools are on the Junior membership rolls and 225,000 will have enrolled before the end of the campaign. This will make St. Louis 100 per cent Junior Red Cross. In other words, every child of school age who is in school soon will be a member.

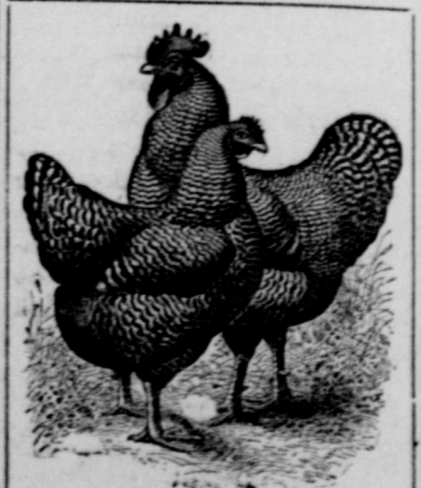
Counties Use Unique Plans

Tens of thousands more children will be enrolled outside St. Louis in the Southwestern division within the next few weeks. Many counties in the division have enrolled every school, and many unique methods have been employed to raise the required membership fees.

In Johnson County, Kansas, for instance, 5,000 children were enrolled as members of the Junior Red Cross. In order to raise money with which to pay the enrollment fees of the children, a cherry pie making contest and auction was staged. Hundreds of the good women of the county baked cherry pies. The pies were auctioned at a social, and \$2,500 was raised. A committee decided that the most delicious pie was the product of a woman 85 years old, who is ardently interested in Red Cross work. Her pie was bid in by a man, also 85 years old, for \$12.50.

Prof. Andrew Jordan, who has just closed a successful term as teacher of the Heald school, left Sunday for Amarillo, where he has accepted a position.

White Deer.—The public school closed last week, after a very successful term.

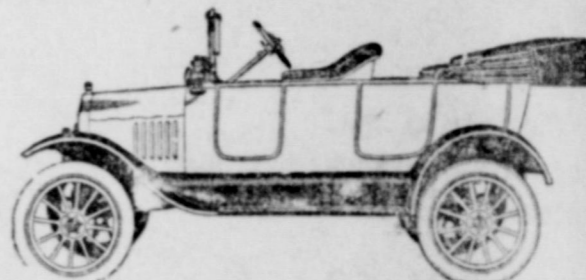


Lay-the-Year-Round Barred Rocks Eggs \$1.00 per Setting of 15 \$6.00 per Hundred Mrs. L. C. Parker Alanreed, Texas

Ford THE UNIVERSAL CAR

It's no longer necessary to go into the details describing the practical merits of the Ford car—everybody knows all about "The Universal Car." How it goes and comes day after day and year after year at an operating expense so small that it's wonderful. This advertisement is to urge prospective buyers to place orders without delay as the war has produced conditions which may interfere with normal production. Buy a Ford car when you can get one. We'll take good care of your order—get your Ford to you soon as possible—and give the best in "after-service" when required.

Bentley & Grigsby McLean, Texas



REMEMBER ALL REPAIRS ARE STRICTLY C. O. D.

Wheeler—Mr. Martin Callahan and Miss Lora Miller were married Saturday, April 20th, at the Methodist parsonage, Rev. Howell officiating.

R. C. Vinson came in Saturday for a few days visit with his sister, Mrs. D. A. Davis and family.

W. T. Milam of Wellington was in our city Monday.

Uncle Lewis Webb and Van Webb and wife were in town Tuesday night to see the play put on by the school.

Lieutenant Byron Kibler returned to Camp Bowie Sunday after spending a week with home folks.

Mrs. J. W. Kolb of Atlanta was in the city Tuesday.

\$25.00 REWARD

I will pay a twenty-five dollar reward for the arrest and conviction of any party guilty of tying down any telephone wire or in any other manner tampering with the lines. The state law on the subject is as follows:

Penal code, Art. 784: If any person shall intentionally break, cut, pull or tear down, misplace, or in any other manner injure any telegraph or telephone wire, post, machinery or other necessary appurtenance to any telegraph or telephone line, or in any way willfully obstruct or interfere with the transmission of any messages along such telegraph or telephone line, he shall be punished by confinement in the penitentiary not less than two nor more than five years, or by fine not less than one hundred nor more than two thousand dollars.

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