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Big Wool Sale.

The firm of Petersen and Company made a big sale of wool the latter part of last week, to Webb and Company of Philadelphia, receiving 56 and 1/2 and 58 cents per pound for the wool sold, Mr. Petersen stating that these prices are the largest he ever received for selling wool.

Kinney County wool always sells high, and there is considerable satisfaction expressed throughout the entire County, and especially among the wool and mohair growers, as the good prices which were secured and which will net a neat sum for all concerned. The wool industry is next in importance to that of the Mohair, and these two are handled by the local firm of Petersen and Company, which has always handled its consignments in a manner satisfactory to all, and has always secured prices which top those in this section and all Kinney wool dealers are quick to express their feelings of satisfaction at the excellent work which the firm has accomplished, and what Mr. Petersen and his firm have done for them in the way of sales.

State Law In Effect.

The new Texas law regulating the operation of automobiles became operative on Sunday, July 1st. It is the most drastic road traffic law ever formed and put into operation in Texas.

It provides that all automobiles must be registered; each motor vehicle must have a suitable horn or device to sound warnings, and have two front lights and rear light, and so dimmed as to not dazzle eyes of other drivers; no muffler cut-out will be permitted, no intoxicated person shall run an auto or an owner employ an unlicensed chauffeur. Rules for turning corners are strictly specified and must be followed. A heavy fine is placed on the driver who strikes a person and fails to give him attention, give the injured party his name and the names of all the other members of the party, and his number. No race can be had on roads, and the speed limits are strictly defined as 25 miles on a highway, and 15 miles in a city or town less than 40,000 inhabitants. Penalties are provided for using a car without owner's consent, for throw glass, tacks, etc., on road with malicious intent, for breaking or tampering with another's automobile with intention of breaking same, for climbing in another's auto and tampering with levers, for allowing engine to run while driver is out of auto.

Ready for Drafting.

July 1st, the day on which the work of raising and organizing the new army made up of drafted men, came and passed and at Washington the work began and is running on its course. This month will be one long remembered by all who are subject to draft and have registered, as well as by the rest of the nation, as it is the first drafting ever undertaken by the government and the biggest war it ever took part in.

Exemption boards have been appointed all over the country, that of Kinney County being H. E. Veltmann, O. W. Zucht and Dr. W. W. Nipper. They will take care of all exemptions asked for in this County. The exemption rules are very strict and few will be left go.

Somewhere about the 15th will come the summons to many, giving them time to wind up their business and, giving the place where they are to report.

Our Duty to the Soldier.

Right Rev. Wm. Theodotus Capers of San Antonio, bishop of West Texas has issued the following important address to the clergy and laity of this diocese:

Dear Brethren: The recent action of the City Commission of San Antonio, Texas, closing all houses of prostitution, and making illegal the sale of whiskey to the soldiers and enforcing the law against gambling, should be applauded, not only by every citizen of San Antonio, but by every true patriot of our great Commonwealth who has the highest interest of his fellow-man at heart, and who holds the purity of a City's life as its first asset.

The mayor and his associates have acted with wisdom, courage and dispatch, but they can only hold aloft the standard. It is for the citizenship of San Antonio, and of all other communities in which such laws may be enacted, to support by unanimous approval this heroic measure, for a law is no stronger than the moral endorsement given it by the community in which it is made. This endorsement must be first expressed through daily conversation, between man and man, on the street and in the business house, and in the home and social gatherings of the communities. It is not overstating the case when I affirm that public opinion

is more definitely formed in this way than through the medium of the press.

The City Commission has acted for us in behalf of the Soldier, and therefore in behalf of the Army of our Nation. Not to give our approval to this measure would be to withhold our support from the great cause for which our Nation has been brought into unity of life purpose and action. Our support, however, is not merely to be expressed in words but in deeds as well. We must realize that the moral discipline of a City, through the enactment of such laws, impose a personal obligation upon its citizenship which can not be disregarded by the individual without involving the guilt of dereliction of duty.

The Soldier must be treated as a Citizen of our Community in the very best sense of the word.

He must have such hospitality offered to him as will induce him to accept that moral standard of life which we are demanding of him. If the home of vice and shame is forbidden to him, the home of true Christian hospitality must be opened to him. His own personal problem must be shared by each one of us. His hour of leisure is not primarily his problem, but ours. The various churches of our community should take seriously the situation that the Soldier finds himself in, and try to assist him in meeting it to his own highest spiritual good. In the language of St. Paul:

"We that are strong must bear the infirmities of the weak, and not pleasure ourselves." Never before has the Church had such an opportunity of giving to the individual the strength of Christ as she has today.

In order that we may show our sympathy with the weak and tempted, and thereby throw ourselves more directly into the daily life of the Soldier, I call upon every communicant of the Church to exercise the highest degree of self discipline which comprehends his three-fold nature-discipline over the mind, the soul and the body. I urge upon the conscience of those who are in a position of leadership in the realm of social pleasures to exercise sobriety in dress and in the use of the sacred gift of time. I call upon those who claim the right of "drinking in moderation" to practice total abstinence during the period of the war. If the lusts of flesh are to be disciplined in the life of the Soldier, I pray you, brethren of the Lord, to share the Soldier's life through like discipline. All extraneous pleasures of the table should be done away with, and every evidence of holy living should characterize our daily conduct. The churches should be thronged by earnest worshippers; the Throne of Grace should be impetioned by earnest supplication for strength and forgiveness, and the Holy Table of our Lord should

A Little Child

must take it's first step before it can walk.

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Brackettville, Texas.

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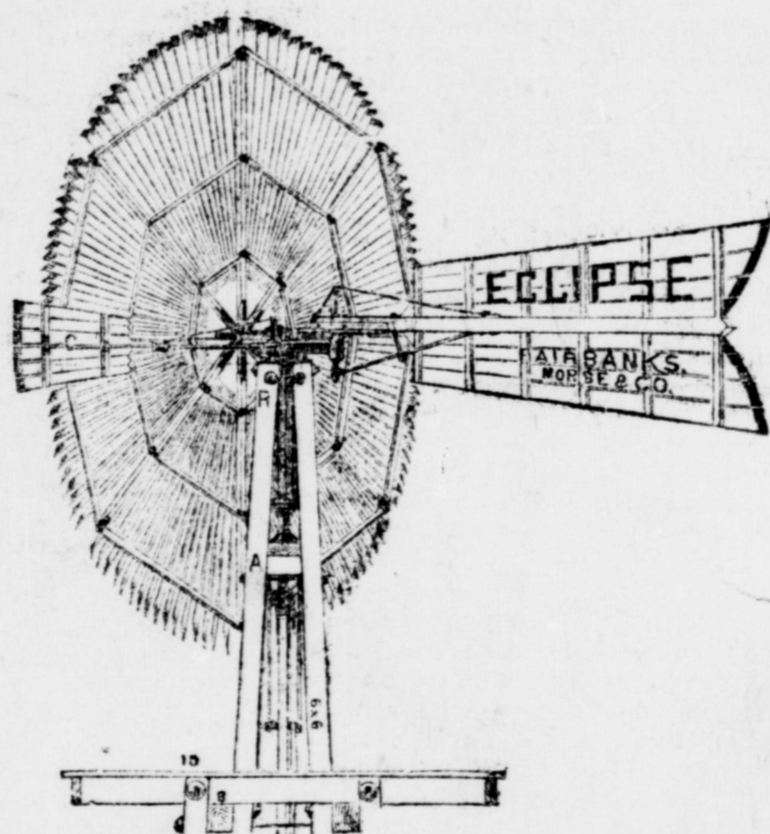
Praying most earnestly that you my brethren of the Church of our Lord and Savior will receive my words of exhortation prayerfully and faithfully, I

remain your devoted friend and Bishop.

Wm. Theodotus Capers.
For Sale.
Twenty acres of land west of town, know as the old Whipkey place. for information write Hermann Schafer, Mammoth Route, Winkelman, Arizona.

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by trading at OUR Store where you can get what YOU do want, as we have complete lines of goods at your service, Mr. Customer: trade with an old reliable firm like us and you will be treated fair and square.

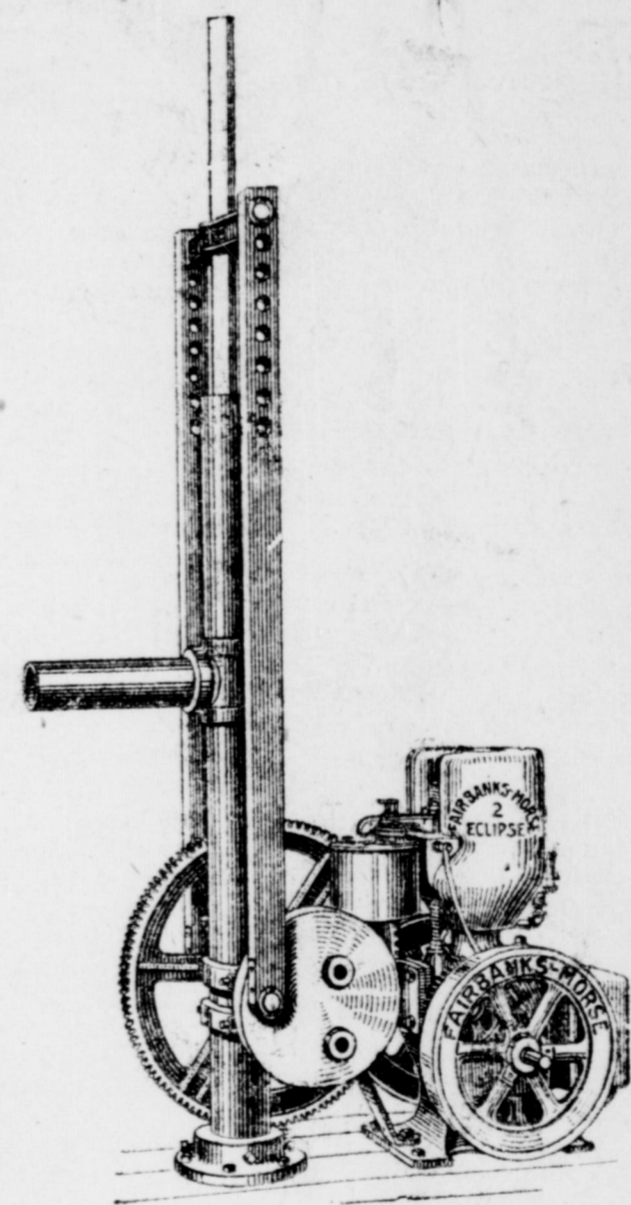


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THE WORLD OVER

INTERESTING ITEMS OF PRESENT IMPORTANT HAPPENINGS.

EVERY ITEM A NEWS ITEM

Relating to the Latest Happenings of Interest Just now Throughout the World.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

President Wilson Friday asked congress to pass a law to permit Brand Whitlock, American minister to Belgium, to accept a decoration from King Albert of Belgium, in recognition of his marked services to the little kingdom.

The sweeping reductions in the price of bituminous coal at all mines east of the Mississippi river, ranging from \$1 to \$5 a ton to the public, with a further cut of 50c for the government, were agreed upon Friday at conferences between the operators and government officials. The new prices effective July 1. Four hundred operators who gathered in Washington to call on Secretary Lane and pledged themselves to furnish their product at a reasonable price were represented in the final conferences by committees from each field.

The resolution of Senator Reed of Missouri calling upon the federal trade commission to inform the senate why it has not ordered news print paper manufacturers to desist from "illegal practices and exorbitant charges" was passed Friday by the senate without objection.

Food control legislation assumed new and more drastic form Wednesday when the senate agriculture committee virtually redrafted many of the principal items of the house bill and reported it with material extension of government power and a new "bone dry" prohibition provision to stop manufacture of intoxicating beverages during the war. The president would be authorized to permit wine making and commandeer existing distilled spirits.

The rivers and harbors appropriation bill was passed by the house Wednesday, carrying a total of about twenty-seven million dollars.

The nation's contributions to the Red Cross in response to the call for a \$100,000,000 war fund were estimated at \$114,000,000 Wednesday by Henry P. Davison, chairman of the Red Cross war council.

Suspension during the war of all cannon salutes to visiting dignitaries at army posts, forts, arsenals or other military installations was revoked.

So many already in the line for admission for the second class of officers' training camps opening in August that war department officials expect the total applications to be more than sixteen thousand, the number to be admitted.

An emergency appropriation of \$500,000 to prevent the introduction of the pink boll worm into the United States from Mexico by creating a free zone 50 to 100 miles wide in Texas next to the Rio Grande was asked of congress Friday by Secretary Houston of the agricultural department.

STATE AND DOMESTIC NEWS.

Ablene, Texas, was Friday selected as the location for the new A. and M. College by the selecting board.

With the election of J. A. Kemp of Wichita Falls as president and the reelection of Gus W. Thomasson of Dallas as secretary-manager, the third annual convention of the Buy-It-Made-in-Texas Association closed Thursday at Wichita Falls, Texas.

Retail food prices in the United States advanced on an average 5 per cent from April 16 to May 15, as shown in figures compiled Friday by the bureau of labor statistics. During the year ending with May 15 they increased 39 per cent.

In the good roads bond and tick eradication election held in Harris county, Texas, Wednesday, both carried. The successful bond election means that the county will spend \$1,100,000 on the county roads. Some \$25 miles of highway will be improved, while \$100,000 will be spent in building a concrete road for experimental purposes.

The supreme court of Texas Wednesday overruled the several motions attacking the constitutionality of the act of the thirty-fifth legislature creating a committee of judges from the courts of appeals for the relief of the higher court in passing upon applications for writs of errors and sustained the validity of the act. The opinion was written by Chief Justice Nelson Phillips, concurred in by the other members of the court.

According to latest reports the Santa Fe will finish the construction of its new branch line of railroad that is to run from Lubbock, in West Texas, to a point near Seminole within the next several weeks.

Fire of mysterious origin completely destroyed the main mill, one of the dry kilns, and about thirty-five carloads of lumber of the Kirby Lumber Company Tuesday at Kirbyville, Texas, entailing a loss of from \$175,000 to \$200,000.

The Texas State Printers' Council, now the Texas Allied Printing Trades Council, closed its annual meeting Wednesday at Austin, Texas, selecting San Antonio as the next place of meeting. H. C. Colley of Houston was re-elected president.

Upward of 125,000 men will be in training in Texas within the next few months preparatory to taking their places in the line of battle.

The United States cruiser Olympia, Admiral Dewey's flagship at the battle of Manila, ran aground in the fog off Block Island Tuesday. The cruiser was reported in a bad position with considerable water in her hold.

The friendly spirit and co-operation existing between American and Mexican border officials was illustrated this week when the Mexican military two Germans who had escaped from officers at Nuevo Laredo sought out the American internment camp at Laredo, Texas, and crossed into Mexico and brought them to the center of the international bridge for delivery to the American officers. Report of the action of the Mexican officials has been made to Robert L. Barnes, chief of the bureau of investigation.

The commissioners court of Brazoria County, Texas, will be asked at its regular meeting in July to call an election looking to the creating of the Freeport-Bernard Road District and the issuance of \$200,000 in bonds to build several hard-surface roads in the district, connecting Freeport with the Clements state farm and with new territory beyond the Bernard river.

FOREIGN NEWS.

Djemal Pasha, Turkish commander in Syria, one of the most influential leaders of the Young Turks, said recently in an interview in a review called "German policy" that all American, English, French and Russian schools in Syria and Palestine already had been closed, and he never would allow them to reopen after the war.

Minor operations continue on the Russian, Austro-Italian and Macedonian fronts. Along the Persian-Mesopotamian frontier there has been considerable activity, in which the Turks have forced the Russians to recross the Abis Hirman river, south of Banah.

Greece has severed diplomatic relations with Germany and her allies, and apparently soon will take the field against them on the side of the entente allies. The new premier, Eleutherios Venizelos, taking the oath of office, announced that Greece's place was beside democracy.

Field Marshal Haig's forces, in an offensive in the region of Oppy, have taken German positions on a front of 2,000 yards, and have forced their way into the town of Vvion, two miles south of Lens, in France. In addition successful trench raiding operations were carried on north of Cherisy and southeast of Loos. In the fighting around Oppy and south of the Souchez river 247 prisoners and twelve machine guns were captured by the British Friday.

The British premier in a notable speech at Glasgow Friday reasserted that it was the intention of Great Britain and her allies to continue the war until the objectives for which they had entered the war were realized. To end of the war before that time, he said, would be calamity for Europe.

Brazil has revoked her decree of neutrality in the war between the entente allies and Germany.

The French and Germans are engaged in intensive fighting in the region of Cerny and Corbeny, in the Soissons-Rheims sector, and around Hill 304 and in the Avocourt wood near Verdun, in France.

The advance guard of the mighty army of the United States is preparing to send against Germany is now on French soil. In defiance of German submarines, thousands of seasoned regulars and marines, trained fighting men, with the tan of long service on the Mexican border or in Haiti or in Santo Domingo still on their faces, have been hastened overseas to fight beside the French, the British, the Belgian, the Russian, the Portuguese and the Italian troops on the western front.

The Greek ministry, headed by Eleutherios Venizelos took the oath at the palace at Athens, Greece, Wednesday and was acclaimed by an enthusiastic crowd. The new ministry is: M. Venizelos, M. Repoulis, M. Politis, Admiral P. Coundouriotis, M. Michalopoulos, M. Negropontes, M. Paapanastasion, M. Dingas, M. Embirkos, M. Simos.

Francisco Villa, with his main command, appeared at Gallego station, twelve miles south of Juarez, Mexico, on the Mexican Central railroad, Thursday.

The Cossacks' congress has passed a resolution expressing full confidence in the provisional government and assuring the government that the Cossacks throughout Russia will strongly support its efforts to suppress anarchy and attempts at a counter revolution.

The slow but sure encirclement of Lens, the important coal center held by the Germans in the department of Pas de Calais, is in process of consummation by the Canadians.

TEXAS ITEMS

Farmers at Webster are busy planting sweet potatoes.

Wheat threshing is now in full blast in North Texas counties.

Real county has just voted a special bond issue to build a court house.

The Association of Texas Clubs held their convention at Galveston last week.

The dry weather has damaged the corn crop considerably in some parts of Texas.

The 1917 Epworth-by-the-Sea encampment will be held at Port O'Connor July 19 to 29.

Fear that they will be forced into the army has caused many Mexicans to leave the State for Mexico.

The sheep and goat raisers of Texas met last week at Menard Station in their fourth annual convention.

The strike of the metal workers at the Gulf Refining Company's plant at Port Arthur has been settled.

A showing of both gas and oil has been obtained in the well being drilled for oil one mile north of Luling.

The cotton gin being erected at Somerville is almost completed. A peanut crusher also has been installed.

A car of fine Duroc-Jersey gilts have been received at Livingston and distributed to the boys' and girls' club organized some weeks ago.

Bee county's broom corn crop, the largest ever grown in the county, has netted the farmers thousands of dollars. One carload sold as high as \$325 per ton.

Leases on 4,000 acres have recently been secured around Liverpool. A company is being organized and testing out the Liverpool country for oil to begin soon.

The supreme court set the third court of civil appeals adjourned Saturday at Austin for the term and the next term will open on the first Monday in October.

A meeting of the Texas Industrial Traffic League, composed of traffic officials of commercial organizations and shippers throughout the state, will be held July 9 at Galveston.

Recognizing the wonderful work being done by the Mothers' Congress of the State, Friday, October 19, has been set aside as Mothers' Congress Day at the State fair of Texas in October.

The exodus of Mexicans through Eagle Pass continues with little abatement. Various pretexts are given by the emigrants for leaving while on this side, but once safely in Mexico they frankly state that they are fleeing conscription.

The county road between Montalpa and the Henderson county line is being improved and put in first class shape. This is the road that has been named as the state highway from North to South Texas by the State Good Roads Conference.

Eight negroes who walked from Longview to Dallas—124 miles—to enlist in the army, were keenly disappointed when told at a local recruiting station that all negro regiments were recruited to full strength and no negroes were being taken.

At a recent conference J. A. Kemp of Wichita Falls, newly elected president of the Buy-It-Made-in-Texas Association, and Gus W. Thomasson of Dallas, secretary-manager, together with members of the board of directors, it was decided to conduct a statewide membership campaign to be launched during the first week of August.

The announcement that the government would place an embargo on the raising of cotton in a zone extending a number of miles up the Rio Grande and for a distance of 100 miles toward the interior of the state in an attempt to stop the invasion of the pink boll weevil into Texas from Mexico has aroused the cotton growers of the lower Rio Grande section. The embargo will not affect to any great extent the present crop, but it will prevent any further planting of cotton in the barred zone.

In behalf of the railroad commission of Texas an appeal was issued this week by Commissioner C. H. Hurdleston in which he calls on all shippers and receivers of freight to economize in the use of freight cars, otherwise drastic demurrage regulations will have to be adopted to prevent "the most crucial car shortage in history" during the coming autumn and winter. Mr. Hurdleston calls attention to the car shortage, the slow movement of freight in Texas, which he attributes to the liberal demurrage rules, and the failure of shippers to load cars to anything like capacity.

TAX BILL REWRITTEN BY SENATE COMMITTEE

The Estimated Income Reduced and No Bond Issue is Authorized in Senate Measure.

Washington.—Revision of the \$1,000,000,000 war tax bill passed by the Senate five weeks ago was completed today by the senate finance committee. The measure virtually was rewritten and reduced to \$1,652,170,000 with no authorization of additional bonds. The final draft was sent to the printer and will be given formal committee approval this week.

Incomes and excess profits will bear about two-thirds of the new tax burdens under the revised bills—about \$500,000,000 each—with a large share of the remainder secured from liquors and tobaccos. Many house taxes were entirely eliminated by the committee and others added.

Radical changes of taxes on war excess profits of corporations, partnerships and individuals, decided upon Saturday, enabled the committee to dispense with the suggestion made of an additional bond issue of from \$600,000,000 to \$1,000,000,000.

Senator Stone withdrew an amendment for a \$500,000,000 issue. While the bill falls short by about \$600,000,000 of meeting the treasury estimates of war expenses next year, the committee thinks that by issuing \$135,000,000 of authorized but unsold Panama canal bonds the expenses can be met until congress convenes in December. As finally drafted the much-debated publishers' tax section proposes a 5 per cent tax upon publishers' profits over \$4,000, yielding \$7,500,000 revenue, and an increase of 1/4c a pound in second class postage rates, yielding \$3,000,000.

Excess profits due to the war under the revised bill would bear \$750,000,000 in taxes graduated from 12 to 40 per cent, according to the proportion of excess. This is an increase of \$505,000,000 over such taxes under the present law, of which repeal is proposed, and \$300,000,000 more than was proposed by the house bill.

From income taxes \$532,700,000 would be raised, \$95,000,000 less than the house provided—the decrease being made entirely upon incomes of \$40,000 annually and above—with the committee approving the house plan for lowering income tax exemptions to \$1,000 for single persons, \$2,000 for married persons, additional normal taxes of 2 per cent upon incomes up to \$5,000 and surtaxes graduated from 1 to 33 per cent upon larger incomes.

The committee struck out entirely the 10 per cent general tariff on virtually all imports, estimated to raise \$200,000,000. It substituted consumption taxes totaling \$52,000,000 and bearing more directly upon consumers, of 1/2c a pound on sugar, 2c on coffee, 5c on tea and 3c on cocoa and substitutes.

Other changes in the revised bill include a prohibitive tax to stop manufacture of distilled beverages, while taxes on other intoxicants are virtually doubled; elimination of house taxes of \$6,000,000 on inheritances and \$108,000,000 retroactive taxes upon 1916 incomes.

Florence Brown Murder Mystery.

Dallas, Tex.—Felix Jones, in custody at El Paso, was indicted Saturday by the Dallas county grand jury on a charge of murder of Miss Florence Brown in a Dallas real estate office on July 28, 1913. Jones is said to have denied any knowledge of the killing. He is held in El Paso in connection with the death of Thomas Lyons of Silver City, N. M., whose body was found in the Highland Park skull to El Paso on May 16 with his skull crushed with some instrument.

Russians Begin Offensive Move.

The soldiers of new Russia have assumed the offensive. For the first time since the revolution last March Russian troops have begun an attack on an extensive scale. Along a front of eighteen and a half miles in the region of Brzezany, Galicia, Russian troops have stormed the German positions. Berlin says the Russians suffered heavy losses and were compelled to retreat before the German fire. The attack was made between the upper Stripa and the Narayuvka river, a tributary of the Gnile Lipa in the section southeast of Lemberg, the Galician capital, where the artillery firing has been heavy recently.

Auto Registration to Begin July 15.

Austin, Tex.—The State highway commission has extended for a period of 15 days the enforcement of the highway commission law. This act became effective July 1. The inability of the commission to issue all registration licenses is the cause for extension to July 15. This ruling also applies to the law requiring automobiles to be equipped with dimmers.

Output in Coastal Oil Fields.

Houston, Tex.—The coastal oil fields maintained an average of close to 84,000 barrels per day during the past week, although there were no completions of any size except in one pool. At Edgerly the Lyons Gulf Coast Oil Company finished its No. 1 Fairchild at a depth of 3,200 feet and it is flowing 1,500 barrels of oil. Goose Creek failed to get a single flowing well, but several good pumps were finished in that field.

SAVE A DOCTOR'S BILL by keeping Mississippi Diarrhea Cordial handy for all stomach complaints. Price 25c and 50c.—Adv.

Still One More Task to Face. "So your long day's work is done?" "Not yet. I've finished as far as the office is concerned, but as soon as I get home and eat my supper I've got to go with my wife to some moving picture show."

A single application of Roman Eye Balsam upon going to bed will prove its merit by morning. Effective for Inflammations of the Eyes, external and internal. Adv.

In the Discard. "You see a lot of mandolins and guitars in the pawnshop window." "I s'pose it's different in Europe. They say over there the pawnshop windows are full of old scepters."

Ups and Downs. "I threw up a good position to please that girl." "Did she appreciate the sacrifice?" "No, she didn't; she threw me down."

FRECKLES

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

Ruins. "Have you ever visited the ruins of Pompeii?" "Yes," replied the globe trotter. "But after seeing a few churches shot up in this war, Pompeii doesn't impress me as ranking high as a ruined city."

Say So! "Do you support any charity?" "Rather. I've got a son in college."—Life.

James J. Hill, deceased, left \$50,000,000 worth of property in Minnesota.

Save the Babies

INFANT MORTALITY is something frightful. We can hardly realize that of all the children born in civilized countries, twenty-two per cent, or nearly one-quarter, die before they reach one year; thirty-seven per cent, or more than one-third, before they are five, and one-half before they are fifteen!

We do not hesitate to say that a timely use of Castoria would save many of these precious lives. Neither do we hesitate to say that many of these infantile deaths are occasioned by the use of narcotic preparations. Drops, tinctures and soothing syrups sold for children's complaints contain more or less opium or morphine. They are, in considerable quantities, deadly poisons. In any quantity, they stupefy, retard circulation and lead to congestions, sickness, death. There can be no danger in the use of Castoria if it bears the signature of Chas. H. Fletcher as it contains no opiates or narcotics of any kind.

Genuine Castoria always bears the signature of Chas. H. Fletcher.

WINTERSMITH'S CHILL TONIC

Sold for 47 years. For Malaria, Chills & Fever. Also a Fine General Strengthening Tonic. 50c and \$1.00 at all Drug Stores.

Her Parting Shot. "You have returned all my letters and presents, Hortense," says Egbert, "but you seem to be retaining my photograph. May I yet dare to hope that—?" "Oh, your photograph? I sent that to Life, thinking the editor would want to run it as one of those pictures for which they pay \$100 to anybody that can supply a proper title."—Life.

Juice of Lemons! How to Make Skin White and Beautiful

At the cost of a small jar of ordinary cold cream one can prepare a full quarter pint of the most wonderful lemon skin softener and complexion beautifier, by squeezing the juice of two fresh lemons into a bottle containing three ounces of orchard white. Care should be taken to strain the juice through a fine cloth so no lemon pulp gets in, then this lotion will keep fresh for months. Every woman knows that lemon juice is used to bleach and remove such blemishes as sallowness, freckles and tan and is the ideal skin softener, smoothener and beautifier.

Just try it! Get three ounces of orchard white at any pharmacy and two lemons from the grocer and make up a quarter pint of this sweetly fragrant lemon lotion and massage it daily into the face, neck, arms and hands. It naturally should help to soften, freshen, bleach and bring out the roses and beauty of any skin. It is wonderful to smoothen rough, red hands. Adv.

Grimly Classical. "Do you regard the study of Latin as an advantage?" "Not now," replied Mr. Growcher. "But sometimes I wish literature had stuck to the old language. I can't imagine anybody writing best-seller stories or ragtime in Latin."

Wright's Indian Vegetable Pills contain nothing but vegetable ingredients, which act gently as a tonic and purgative by stimulation and not by irritation. Adv.

His Trouble. Visitor—My poor man, when you get out of this place, do not yield too hastily to temptation. Take time to think, take time. Convict—That's what I'm in fer. I took too many watches.

NO MALARIA—NO CHILLS. "Plantation" Chill Tonic is guaranteed to drive away Chills and Fever or your money refunded. Price 50c.—Adv.

Consolation. Mistress—Oh, Norah, you've broken that willow pattern plate into a dozen pieces. Norah—Never mind, mum; shure it'll make a foine picture puzzle for Master Harold.

Slacker Joke. Friend (grateful for a favor)—I'll dance at your wedding. Slacker—I wish you already had.

Choosing His Words. Wife—"Why are you speaking so sharply?" Hubby—"Because I want to get a word in edgewise."

Foresight consists in knowing where to borrow an umbrella when it begins to rain.

Spartan Women Suffered Untold Tortures but who wants to be a Spartan? Take "Femina" for all female disorders. Price 50c and \$1.00.—Adv.

The Same Trespass. A farmer, going over his land, caught an Irishman with his dog trespassing in a field, and threatened him with prosecution. Returning, however, through the same field an hour later he was surprised to meet the Irishman in another part of it, and exclaimed angrily: "What! Trespassing again?" "No, no," answered Pat, "it's still the same trespass. Fair play, sorr!"

ERYSIPELAS AND CHILBLAINS. Alleviated and cured by the use of Tetterine. It is an old established and well known remedy for Eczema, Tetter, Ground Itch (the cause of Hookworm Disease), Infant Sore Head, Chaps, Chafes and other forms of skin diseases.

J. R. Maxwell, Atlanta, Ga., says: "I suffered agony with a severe case of eczema. Tried six different remedies and was in despair, when a neighbor told me to try Shuprine's Tetterine. After using \$3 worth of your Tetterine and soap I am completely cured. I can't say too much in its praise. I can get Tetterine at druggists or by mail 50c. Soap 25c. J. T. Shuprine, Savannah, Ga. Adv.

The Reichsrath a Babel. That parliament of Babel, the Reichsrath, now engaged in playing an obscure part in the Austro-Hungarian peace hunt, is permitted to express its emotions in eight official languages—symbols of the war of tongues raging in the empire itself. In the great vocal chorus the Slavonian may be said to have struck the predominant note, for the very word he has coined for himself expresses the belief that no man is a talker except himself. "Slowan," in Old Slavonian, meant "to speak," and as the Slav understood no other speech, the others were naturally the dumb dogs.—London Daily Chronicle.

An Abandoned Industry. Henry—I see it he ordained as the farmers should grow pigs these times. Have you any coming along, Jarge? George—No, Emory; I haven't taken no interest in pigs much since the missus died.—London Tatler.

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The Real Adventure

By Henry Kitchell Webster

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THE FIRST PERFORMANCE OF "THE GIRL UPSTAIRS" IS GIVEN WITH HUGE SUCCESS FOR ROSE — JIMMY WALLACE, DRAMATIC CRITIC, MAKES A DISCOVERY

Synopsis.—Rose Stanton, of moderate circumstances, marries wealthy Rodney Aldrich, on short acquaintance, and for more than a year lives in idleness and luxury in Chicago. The life falls on her, she longs to do something useful, but decides that motherhood will be a big enough job. She has twins, however, and they are put in the care of a professional nurse. Rose again becomes intensely dissatisfied with idleness, so over the protest of her doting husband she disappears into the business world to make good on her own initiative, gets a job in the chorus of a musical comedy in rehearsal and lives in a cheap rooming house. Her taste and intelligence soon get her a place as assistant to the producer. Her fashionable friends think she has gone to California.

CHAPTER XIX.

Success—And a Recognition.

There is a kaleidoscopic character about the events of the ten days or so preceding the opening performance of most musical comedies which would make a sober chronicler of them seem fantastically incredible. This law of nature made no exception in the case of "The Girl Up-Stairs." There were rehearsals which ran so smoothly and swiftly that they'd have done for performances; there were others so abominably bad that the bare idea of presenting the mess resulting from six weeks' toil, before the people who had paid money to see it, was a nightmare.

Of all the persons directly, or even remotely, affected by this nerve-shattering confusion, Rose was perhaps the least perturbed. The only thing that really mattered to her was the successful execution of those twelve costumes. The phantasmagoria at North End hall was a regrettable, but necessary, interruption of her more important activities.

She wakened automatically at half-past seven and was down-town by half-past eight, to do whatever shopping the work of the previous day revealed the need of.

At nine-thirty—an unheard-of hour in the theater—the watchman at the Globe let her in at the stage door, and Rose had half an hour, before the arrival of the wardrobe mistress and her assistant, for looking over the work done since she had left for rehearsal the day before.

She liked this quiet, cavernous old barn of a place under the Globe stage; liked it when she had it to herself before the two sewing women came and later, when, with a couple of sheets spread out on the floor, she cut and basted according to her cambric patterns, keeping ahead of the flying needles of the other two. After her own little room, the mere spaciousness of it seemed almost noble.

In keeping with the good luck which had attended everything that happened in connection with this first venture of hers, she was able to tell Galbraith that both sets of costumes were finished and ready to try on the very day he announced that the next rehearsal would be held at ten tomorrow at the Globe.

She persuaded the girls to wait until all six were dressed in the afternoon frocks and until she herself had had a chance to give each of them a final inspection and to make a few last touches and readjustments. Then they all trooped out on the stage and stood in a row, turned about, walked here and there, in obedience to Galbraith's instructions shouted from the back of the theater.

It was dark out there and disconcertingly silent. The glow of two cigars indicated the presence of Goldsmith and Block in the middle of a little knot of other spectators.

The only response Rose got—the only index to the effect her labors had produced was the tone of Galbraith's voice. "All right," he shouted, "Go and put on the others."

There was another silence after they had filed out on the stage again, clad this time in the evening gowns—a hollow, heart-constricting silence, almost literally sickening. But it lasted only a moment. Then:

"Will you come down here, Miss Dane?" called Galbraith.

There was a slight, momentary but perfectly palpable shock accompanying these words—a shock felt by everybody within the sound of his voice. Because the director had not said, "Dane, come down here," he had said: "Will you come down here, Miss Dane?" And the thing amounted, so rigid is the etiquette of musical comedy, to an accolade. The people on the stage and in the wings didn't know what she had done, nor in what character she was about to appear, but they did know she was, from now on, something besides a chorus girl.

Rose obediently crossed the runway and walked up the aisle to where Galbraith stood, with Goldsmith and Block, waiting for her. She was feeling a little numb and empty.

Galbraith, as she came, held out a hand to her. "I congratulate you, Miss Dane," he said. "They're admirable. With all the money in the world,

I wouldn't ask for anything handsome."

The rest of it didn't matter to Rose—the more guarded but nevertheless cordial approval of the two owners, who had yet to make sure on the figures; and the details of settlement, which left her more than a hundred dollars' profit, even after she had deducted the hundred she owed Rodney. The point—the point—settled by Galbraith's praise—was that she had succeeded.

It was, on the whole, a good bargain on both sides. But Goldsmith and Block came back next day and drove another bargain, principally to their own advantage.

"You've certainly got a good eye for costumes, Miss Dane," Goldsmith said, "and here's a proposition we'd like to make. A lot of these other things we've got for the regular chorus don't look as good as they might. You'll be able to see changes to make in them that'll improve them maybe fifty per cent. Well, you take it on, and we'll begin paying you your regular salary now; you understand, twenty-five dollars a week, beginning today."

Rose accepted the proposition with a warm flush of gratitude. But, from the moment her little salary began, she found herself retained, body and soul, exactly as Galbraith himself was. They'd bought all her ideas, all her energy, all her time, except a few scant hours for sleep and a few snatched minutes for meals.

She gave her employers, up to the time when the piece opened at the Globe, at a conservative calculation, about five times their money's worth. Even if she hadn't been in the company, she'd have found something like two days' work in every twenty-four hours, just in the wardrobe room. There wasn't a single costume outside Rose's own twelve that didn't have to be remodeled more or less.

On top of all that, the really terrible grind of rehearsals began: property rehearsals, curiously disconcerting at first; scenery rehearsals that caused the stage to seem small and cluttered up, and, last and ghastliest, a dress rehearsal, which began at seven o'clock one night and lasted till four the next morning.

If you had seen them that morning, utterly fagged out, unsustained by a single gleam of hope, you'd have said it was impossible that they should give any sort of performance that night—let alone a good one. But by eight o'clock, when the overture was called, you wouldn't have known them for the same people. There was the feeling, on the edge of this first performance, that they were now on their own.

The appearance, back on the stage, of John Galbraith in evening dress, just as the call of the first act brought them trooping from their dressing rooms, intensified this sensation. He was going to be, tonight, simply one of the audience.

Rose herself was completely dominated by the new spirit. Her nerves—slack, frayed, numb an hour ago—had sprung miraculously into tune. She not only didn't feel tired, it seemed she never could feel tired again.

It wasn't until along in the third act that the audience became, for her, anything but a colloid mass—something that you squeezed and thumped and worked as you did clay, to get it into a properly plastic condition of receptivity, so that the jokes, the songs, the dances, even the spindling little shafts of romance that you shot out into it, could be felt to dig in and take hold.

But along in the third act, as she came down to the footlights with the rest of the sextette in their "All Aione" number, one face detached itself suddenly from the pasty gray surface of those that spread over the auditorium; became human—individual—and intensely familiar; became the face, unmistakably, of Jimmy Wallace!

It is probable that of all the audience, only two men saw that anything had happened, so brief was the frozen instant while she stood transfixed. One of them was John Galbraith, in the back row, and he let his breath go out again in relief almost in the act of catching it. He guessed

well enough what had happened. But it was all right. She was going on as if nothing had happened.

The other man was Jimmy Wallace himself. He released, too, a little sigh of relief when he saw her off in her sulter. But he hardly looked at the stage after that; stared absently at the availed program instead, and presently availed himself of the dramatic critic's license and left the theater.

As for Rose herself, in her conscious thoughts she didn't recognize the hope already beating tumultuously in her veins, that he would tell Rodney—that perhaps even before she got back to her dismal little room, Rodney, pacing his, would know.

It was so irrational a hope—so unexpected and so well disguised—that she mistook it for fear. But fear never made one's heart glow like that.

That's where all her thoughts were when John Galbraith halted her on the way from the dressing room after the performance was over.

"I know you're tired," he said brusquely. "But I fancied you'd be tired in the morning, and I have to leave for New York on the fast train. So, you see, it was now or never."

Strangely enough, that got her. She stared at him almost in consternation. "Do you mean you are going away?" she asked. "Tomorrow?"

"Of course," he said, rather sharply. "I've nothing more to stay around here for." He added, as she still seemed not to have got it through her head: "My contract with Goldsmith and Block ended tonight, with the opening performance."

"Of course," she said in deprecation of her stupidity. "And yet it's always seemed that the show was you; just something that you made go. It doesn't seem possible that it could keep on going with you not there."

The sincerity of that made it a really fine compliment—just the sort of compliment he'd appreciate. But—the old perversity again—the very freedom with which she said it spoiled it for him.

"I may be missed," he said—it was more of a growl, really—"but I shouldn't be regretted. There's always a sort of 'Hallelujah chorus' set up by the company when they realize I'm gone."

"I shall regret it very much," said Rose. The words would have set his blood on fire if she'd just faltered over them. But she didn't. She was hope-



One Face Detached Itself Suddenly.

lessly serene about it. "You're the person who's made the six weeks bearable, and, in a way, wonderful. I never could thank you enough for the things you've done for me, though I hope I may try to, some time."

"I don't want any thanks," he said. And this was completely true. It was something very different from gratitude that he wanted. But he realized how abominably ungracious his words sounded, and hastened to amend them. "What I mean is that you don't owe me any. You've done a lot to make this show go as well as it did, in—more ways than you know about. It wasn't for me, personally, that you did it. But all the same, I'm grateful. You'll stay with this piece, I suppose, as long as the run lasts. But in the end, what's the idea? Do you want to be an actress?"

"The notion of just going on—not changing anything or improving anything; doing the same thing over and over again for forty weeks, or even four, seems perfectly ghastly—just keep going round and round like a horse at the end of a pole. What I'd like to do, now that this is finished, is—well, to start another."

His eyes kindled. "That's it," he said. "That's what I've felt about you

all along. I suppose it's the reason I felt you never could be an actress. You see the thing the way I do—the whole fun of the game is getting the thing. Once it's got . . ." He snapped his fingers, and with an eager nod she agreed.

"Well then, look here," he said. "I've an idea that I could use you to good advantage as a sort of personal assistant. There'll be a good deal of work just of the sort you did with the sextette, teaching people to talk and move about like the sort of folk they're supposed to represent. It would be

one more if we could teach chorus people to act human. Well, you can do that better than I, that's the plain fact. Under this new contract of mine that I expect to sign in a day or two, I'll simply have to have somebody. And then, of course, there's the costuming. That's a great game, and I think you've a talent for it.

There you are! The job will be just from the first a great deal better than what you've got here. And the coming end of it, if you succeed, would run to real money. Well, how about it?"

"But," said Rose, a little breathlessly—"but don't I have to stay here with 'The Girl Upstairs'? I couldn't just leave, could I?"

"Oh, I shouldn't be ready for you just yet, anyway," he said. "I'll write when I can and by that time you'll be performing to give them your two weeks' notice. They'll be annoyed, of course, but, after all, you've given them more than their money's worth already. Well—will you come if I write?"

"It seems too wonderful to be true," she said. "Yes, I'll come, of course."

He gazed at her in a sort of fascination. Her eyes were starry, her lips a little parted, and she was so still she seemed not even to be breathing. But the eyes weren't looking at him. Another vision filled them. The vision—oh, he was sure of it now!—of the "only one," whoever he was, "that mattered."

"Keep you any longer," he said. "I'll have them get a taxi and send you home."

She said she didn't want a taxi. He didn't want to put her on a car, and at the crossing where they waited for an almost silent walk, he managed to shake hands and tell her he'd hear from him soon.

But he liked his way to the curb after the car had carried her off, and marched to his hotel in a sort of baffled fury. He didn't know exactly just what it was he'd wanted. But he did know with a perfectly abysmal conviction, that he was a fool!

CHAPTER XX.

Anticlimax.

It was over the limbo of the upper reaches of the blind instrument of Fate, that he told Rodney about Rose. He was a country lawyer from down-state, who had been in Chicago three or four days, spending an hour or two of every day in Rodney's office in consultation with him, and, for the rest of the time, gawking about, more or less at loose end. A belated sense of this struck Rodney at the end of their last consultation.

"I'm sorry I haven't been able to do more," Rodney said—"do anything, really, in the way of showing you a good time. As a matter of fact, I've spent every evening this week here in the office."

"Oh, I haven't lacked for entertainment," the man said. "We hayseeds find the city a pretty lively place. I went to see a show just last night called 'The Girl Up-Stairs.' I suppose you've seen it."

"No," said Rodney. "I haven't."

"Well, it was downright funny. I haven't laughed so hard in a year. If you want a real good time, you go to see it."

The last part of this conversation took place in the outer office. Rodney saw the man off with a final handshake, closed the door after him, and strolled resolutely back toward Miss Beach's desk.

It was true, he'd been taking it on rather recklessly during the past two months. But they'd been pretty scarce, those long, solitary evening hours. He'd worked fitfully, grinding away at his strength for a while, and then, in a frenzy of impatience, thrusting the legal rubbish out of the way and letting the enigma of his great failure usurp his mind and his memories.

"Telephone over to the University club," he said suddenly to Miss Beach, "and see if you can get me a seat for 'The Girl Up-Stairs.'"

The office boy was out on an errand and in his absence the switchboard was in Miss Beach's care. She arose obediently and moved over to the switchboard, then began fumbling with the directory.

"Why, Miss Beach!" said Rodney. "You know the number of the University club?"

He was looking at her now with undisguised curiosity. She was acting, for a perfectly infallible machine like Miss Beach, almost queer. Without looking around at him, she said: "Mr. Aldrich, you won't like that show. If you go, you'll be sorry."

While he was still staring at her, young Craig came bursting blithely out of his office. "Oh, Miss Beach!" he said, and then stopped short, seeing that something had happened.

Rodney tried an experiment. "Craig," he said, "Miss Beach doesn't want me to see 'The Girl Up-Stairs.' She says I won't like it. Do you agree with her?"

A flare of red came into the boy's face, and his jaw dropped. Then, as well as he could, he called himself together. "Yes, sir," he said, swung

around, and marched back into his own gubbyhole.

"You needn't telephone, Miss Beach," said Rodney curtly. And, without another word, he put on his hat and overcoat, walked straight over to the club and told the man at the cigar counter to get him a ticket for tonight's performance of "The Girl Up-Stairs."

It was after five, and he decided he might as well dine here. So he went up to the lounge, armed himself with an evening paper, and dropped into a big leather chair.

But all his carefully contrived environment hadn't the power, it seemed, to shift the current of his thoughts. They went on dwelling on the behavior of Miss Beach and young Craig, which really got queerer the more one thought about it. . . . He flung down his paper and went into the adjoining room. The large round table nearest the door was pre-empted by a group of men he knew, and he came up with the intention of dropping into the one vacant chair. But just before the first of them caught a glimpse of him his ear picked up the phrase "The Girl Upstairs." And then a lawyer in the group looked up and recognized him. "Hello, Aldrich," he said, and the flash of silence that followed had a galvanic quality. The others began urging him to sit down, but he said he was looking for somebody, and walked away down the room and out the farther door.

He knew now that he was afraid. Yet the thing he was afraid of refused to come out into the open where he could see it and know what it was. He still believed that he didn't know what it was when he walked past the framed photographs in the lobby of the theater without looking at them and stopped at the box office to exchange his seat, well down in front, for one near the back of the theater.

But when the sextette made their first entrance upon the stage, he knew that he had known for a good many hours.

He never stirred from his seat during either of the intermissions. But along in the third act he got up and went out.

The knot that flogged his soul had a score of lashes, each with the sting of its own peculiar venom. Everybody who knew him, his closer friends and his casual acquaintances as well, must have known, for weeks, of this disgrace. His friends had been sorry for him, with just a grain of contempt; his acquaintances had grinned over it with just a pleasurable salt of pity. "Do you know Aldrich? Well, his wife's in the chorus at the Globe theater. And he doesn't know it, poor devil."

The northwest wind which had been blowing icily since sundown, had increased in violence to a gale. But he strode out of the lobby and into the street unaware of it.

He found the stage door and pulled it open. An intermittent roar of hand-clapping, increasing and diminishing with the rapid rise and fall of the curtain, told him that the performance was just over.

A doorman stopped him and asked him what he wanted.

"I want to see Mrs. Aldrich," he said. "Mrs. Rodney Aldrich."

"No such person here," said the man, and Rodney, in his rage, simply assumed that he was lying. It didn't occur to him that Rose would have taken another name.

He stood there a moment, debating whether to attempt to force an entrance against the doorman's unmistakable intention to stop him, and decided to wait instead.

The decision wasn't due to common sense, but to a wish not to dissipate his rage on people that didn't matter. He wanted it intact for Rose.

He went back to the alley, braced himself in the angle of a brick pier, and waited. He neither stamped his feet nor flailed his arms about to drive off the cold. He just stood still with the patience of his immemorial ancestor, waiting, unconscious of the lapse of time, unconscious of the figures that presently began straggling out of the narrow door that were not she.

What do you suppose happens when Rodney meets Rose at the stage door? It is a thrilling meeting they have—and the emotional stress takes them almost to the breaking point. The next installment tells you all about what happened.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Why He Came Home.

Roscoe Boone, a Muncie electrical contractor, went home late the other afternoon to find Mrs. Boone entertaining a company of women at cards. He had forgotten about the party and besides it was the usual period of the day for him to remember about the evening meal.

"Oh, Mr. Boone," said one of the guests as he stumbled upon the room filled with women, "did you come home to supper?"

"Oh, no; not at all," he replied gallantly, even if somewhat confusedly. "I just came home to see what time it was."—Indianapolis News.

Spend More for Sweets.

American people are spending more for candy every year, according to figures compiled recently by the census bureau. They spent over \$185,000,000 for factory-made sweets last year, which is an average of about \$1.80 for every man, woman and child. Figures recorded 65 years ago show that the annual per capita consumption of candy was then about 13 cents.

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BREAD AS ECONOMICAL FOOD

Would Be Used More Extensively If Home-Baked Variety Was Always Good, Say Government Experts.

If home-baked bread were uniformly well made, it would be used more extensively than at present in place of more expensive foods, say specialists in the United States department of agriculture, and this would be a distinct economy. From the standpoint of nutrition it makes very little difference whether breadstuffs are served in the form of bread or in the form of breakfast cereals, side dishes with meat, or desserts.

A man engaged in moderate muscular work can profitably consume about three-fourths of a pound a day of breadstuffs in any one of these forms. This quantity is the equivalent of one pound of baked bread. As a matter of fact, however, it is not probable that in the average family this quantity is consumed and the deficiency is made up by the use of more expensive substances. Of course bread alone is not sufficient for the maintenance of health, but from both an economical and a nutritional standpoint it should be used in the most judiciously thoughtful way, is, declare the experts.

Flare Case.

"This criminal has a streak of honesty, anyway."

"Eh?"

"He says he's sane and guilty."

Naturally Handicapped.

Kidd—Does Goode enjoy golfing to its fullest extent?

Kiddler—Very unlikely; you see he's intensely religious.

A Slight Mistake.

"Thus punch—hic—seems a trifle weak."

"Go slow, old man. You're dipping into the goldfish globe."

It is said that a lie will go much farther than the truth, but in nine cases out of ten the sender has to pay the freight.

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Even a worm will turn to look at some girls.

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It may seem all right to that Santone genius to dress up in kilts but we object on the grounds of bare principles.

First Liberty Loan week, then Red Cross week, then again recruiting week, next food saving week; pretty soon we will have a drafting week.

Greece fell off the perch and the Allies are going to use it when the Bulgarians and Turks begin sliding, their first movements already beginning to be reported.

The 4th of July this year was the quietest throughout the United States, as the minds of all are on the great conflict in which we are engaged. Brackett had a pretty quiet and sane one.

Governor Ferguson has at least got enough education (?) not to call the second extra session of legislature so that they might impeach him. Like one we have heard of much, he knows only the law of self and the Other One above, who comes next to him.

And still those submarines continue to romp over the ocean, though occasionally one meets with disaster in the shape of a shell in the right place, and trots off to the happy hunting grounds. ~~As a matter of fact, the~~ submarines more than anything else.

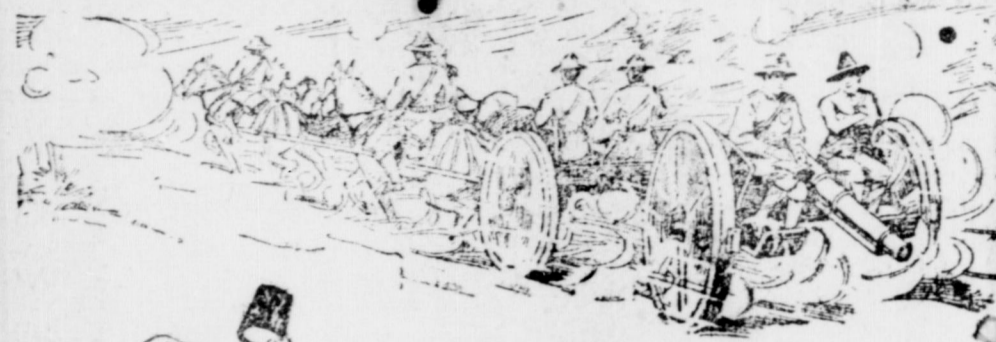
It seems to us that nearly every other day some fellow springs up with a speech describing why the Allies are going to lose, and why America is fighting. What concerns us the most is not why we are fighting, but when and where we are going to turn loose and mop up a few strangers to democracy.

After those good rains the sun is shining and everything in Kinney County is looking nice and green and delights the eyes and heart. With corn coming up fine, and other foodstuffs growing in the best manner, there is among the farmers some gladness.

President Wilson threw his personal influence into the scales the other day in an attempt to prevent the prohibition amendment, at least applying to beer and light wines. European nations have proved that total prohibition may work some harm.

The Crown Prince is one of those fellows who never learn a lesson good as taught by experience. He insists upon again attacking and taking Vedun. If he takes it as he took it last year, the French should worry.

Columba has been called upon to aid in the upholding of her noblest ideals! The greatest exponent of liberty, the nation chosen to set fire to the torch of liberty, loosen the bonds of democracy, and start the movement which is now swaying the thrones of kings, is moved by the spirit which ever animated it, to fling into the world's greatest conflict its loyal sons and loosen the folds of nature's grandest sign—old glory—drawn from the starry mantle of night, the sunset and the day—and all who live for her now arise to die for her. We know not what may come or who fall, but the word must be obeyed.



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Local News

For a good smoke try a Henry George at F. H. Fritters.

T. B. Jackson of Edwards County was a business visitor here Monday.

Fresh stock of good cigars at F. H. Fritters.

Aaron Salmon was a Brackett visitor the first of the week.

Crocket Murray enlisted this week in the Quartermaster Corps.

Jim Rose of the Tularosa section was in from the ranch Monday.

J. C. Lynn of Henze region was a business visitor Monday and Tuesday.

A nice, Woodmen tombstone has been placed at the Sauer ranch over George Sauer.

N. P. Petersen was a San Antonio business visitor the latter part of last week.

Joe Rose made a short trip to Del Rio Sunday and spent the day the guest of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. William Holmes and son, Willie, are spending a month in Mineral Wells, Texas.

Judge Joseph Veltmann and family are making an extended visit with relatives in Houston.

Christopher Gonzales, of Galveston, is here on an extended visit with his father, E. G. Gonzales.

The Hon. John G. Bleckman while in our city Wednesday graced our office for a few minutes and topped the quiet celebration of the Fourth by lighting several cigars.

Martin Boehmer, formerly a Brackett boy and now at Eagle Pass, was here a couple of days the first of the week, being called on account of the illness of Mrs. Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Rucker were in from their ranch Tuesday, and Ed made our office a pleasant call. It is the first time we have seen Ed for a long time. He said his section was holding up good.

Miss Roberta Ballantyne left Tuesday afternoon for a short visit in San Antonio.

A barbecue was held at Live Oak on July 4th, and a number of people from here attended.

Manhattan stands for service, satisfaction and quality. We serve meals, confectionery, cool drinks and ice cream. Try us.

Frank Rose, Jr., motored to Del Rio Sunday morning returning the same evening after a pleasant visit there with friends.

Mrs. George Herzling left Tuesday for San Antonio where she made a short visit with relatives and friends while in that city.

Miss Hattie Wickham left Tuesday afternoon for San Antonio, taking advantage of the excursion which was than in force.

Mrs. John Jones, Sr., was very ill the first days of the week, and at present though not seriously so, is still ill and but slowly improving.

Leo Clamp took suddenly ill the latter part of last week, and for a time was sick, but at the present time his condition is greatly improved.

Full plans for the use of the land on the Reservation for the purpose of planting and raising foodstuffs have been completed and the contract fixed.

Meivin Hall left Sunday afternoon for Indiana where he will make an extended visit with his sister, he having left his position with the Nipper Drug Company.

Owing to the new Federal law regarding liquor advertisements we are shy two this week, and have three new ones which we wish to call our reader's attention to, namely, the Telephone, Mrs. Henze, Filippone and O. B. Castro advertisements.

Misses Eunice and Sallie Perry left Tuesday afternoon for San Antonio where they made a short visit with friends.

Misses Myrtle, Gladys and Kathleen Nolan and Jimmy and George Herzling, Jr., motored to San Antonio Sunday.

Miss Theresa Nolan left Tuesday afternoon for Winchester where she will make a visit, and be the guest of Miss Posey Gates.

Charley Sims, who has been at Crystal City for some time, arrived here Monday and is making his family a short visit.

Better than ever—here are quality goods, ice cream, pies, fresh fruit, cool drinks, sold at the sanitary place, the Manhattan.

Mrs. Joseph Hyman accompanied Mrs. Bannister to Del Rio Saturday and returned the first of the week after a pleasant visit in that city.

Ed Weaver of Edwards County came here Monday and took up the work of barber in the Barksdale Barbershop, the position being vacant by the leaving of Frank Barksdale.

The News-Mail has adopted the idea of "in time of peace prepare for war" and has started Alfred-better known Jake-Rose learning the trade. Alfred is a steady boy and is picking up fast.

Eusebio Hidalgo, the latter part of last week, met with a severe accident which resulted in his leg being broke. He was struck by an automobile and knocked down, the accident being unavoidable.

The Farmers Loan Association which met last week completed their work on asking for Loans, and all papers were fixed and turned in. Several thousand Dollars were asked in all.

Mrs. J. L. Myers and children of San Antonio accompanied the Misses Myrtle, Gladys and Kathleen Nolan home Tuesday afternoon, and they will spend some time here the guests of J. W. Nolan and family.

Mrs. Laura Gilson left last week for San Antonio and has taken up her work at Fort Sam Houston. Her little daughters continued on to Calvert, Texas, where they will spend the summer with their grand-parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Gilson.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Dignowity of San Antonio were here the first part of the week greeting old friends. They are well known to our older residents, and they were all glad to welcome them amongst us again for the few days they spent here.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Barksdale left Monday morning for Deming, New Mexico, where they will make their home. Their many friends regret their leaving, as they were a pleasant couple and made many friends here, and wish them best of luck in their new location.

Judge and Mrs. Cornell of Sonora were here Tuesday and Wednesday and visited with relatives. Mr. Cornell was recently appointed Judge of a new District by Governor Ferguson, and his many friends here express satisfaction at his appointment and success.

The Red Feather photoplay which the Star Theater showed last Saturday night, "The Birth of Patriotism," with Irene Hunt and Leo Pierson in the leading roles, proved to be an exceptionally good one and was well enjoyed by an excellent crowd which attended. It was a story of these times and was very apt and true in its theme. Patriotism, as taught by men, by schools and by mother Nature itself, melted into one grand theme, love of country, and inspired by the glory of the grandest flag, all made the hero and heroine of the play centers of interest. It was good.

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Mexicans Play Del Rio.

The local Mexicans formed a ball team last week and went up to Del Rio Sunday to play a game of baseball with the Del Rio Mexican ball team.

As expected from the short time the team had been raised and played together, the local team lost the game by a score of 8 to 12. The game was interesting, plentiful with errors and startling plays, and both sides could have played better yet.

The Del Rio boys treated their visitors fine, we are told, and gave them royal entertainments including refreshments and a dance Sunday night. All the boys stated that they had a good time and enjoyed the trip despite their defeat.

Change Pictures.

The Star Theater has announced that a change will take place soon in their feature pictures, that of the Red Feathers being discontinued and a new Brand, Universal make, substituted, "Butterfly" films.

The Red Feather photoplays have always been good and were always well attended and enjoyed by the people, for they were sound, interesting and amusing. The new brand, which is also manufactured by the Universal Company, is as good as the Red Feather and in some cases better. They contain the same actors and the stories are strong and good, as well as interesting.

A bluebird will be shown next Saturday and the week following will see the new plays.

From Kickapoo.

A very pretty "tacky" play party was given Tuesday to the children and their parents, of the neighborhood, by Mrs. F. N. Mills in their pleasant ranch home, complimentary to little Miss Marian Jennings—daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jennings of San Antonio—who was the guest for several weeks of the Mills children.

The evening was delightful and all came with light hearts, arrayed in their funny 'make-ups', to have a lively good time. They were about 30 in number, and old fashioned games, such as "door puss," "Texas Grant," "Snap and Catchum," "Clap in and clap out," and etc., were enjoyed by all and these were cheerfully and skillfully conducted by Miss Nellie McFadden.

At the hour of 10 all were invited to the dining room where sandwiches, coffee, cake of various kinds and good homemade fruit punch were served, following which all repaired to the front room and were entertained with singing, speaking, and instrumental music, which were delightful to all.

At the hour of 12 the last number on the program was had, the awarding of a prize (some extra punch) to the tackiest person present. This by a decision of the judges fell to the lot of Ual Jackson, and while he was decoyed into another room and all the while expecting some grand fruit punch, the remaining

guests gathered into two rows across the room, between which rows the victim of the joke and prize winner was invited to pass while each guest in turn with doubled fist gleefully, yet harmlessly, administered the 'punch.' This joke afforded a world of fun to all, after which all bade their host and hostess, as well as the honorary guest, who was to leave next day, 'good night' and all returned to their homes feeling that they had spent the evening delightfully.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Whit Ellis and family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mills and family, Misses Claud Sims, Nellie and Ruth McFadden, and Marian Jennings, and Carter Jackson, John Conlan, Ira, Earl, Comer and Rankin Lynn, and Ual Jackson.

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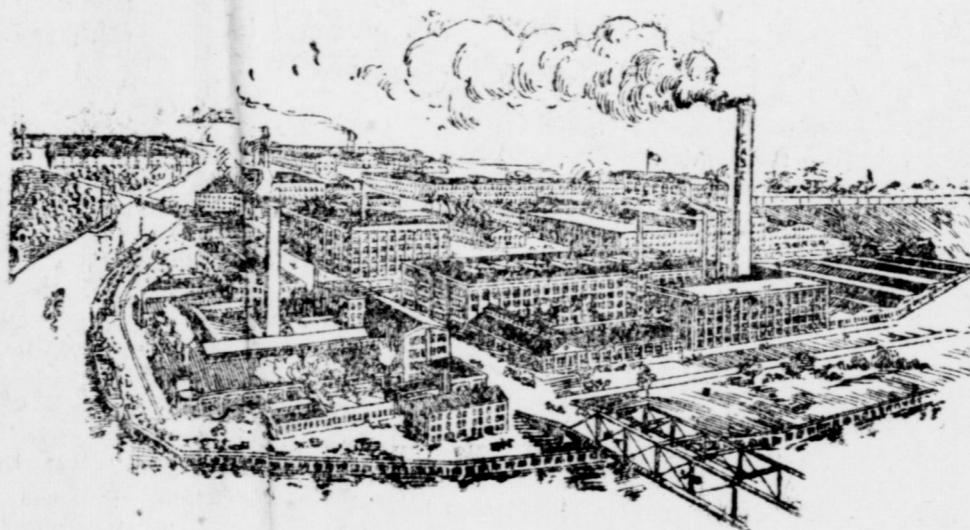
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Working On Post.

Much work has been done within the past two weeks at the Post, and is still going on. The Post, since the big storm of last August, had been left as it was, and was in sad need of repairs and cleaning up. Now it is receiving its share of a thorough repairing and cleaning up, and is already assuming the appearance of a clean, progressive place, thanks to the efforts of Captain Wilson.

The quarters which the soldiers occupied were in many cases torn and partly roofless, and often without porches. These have all been repaired, porches replaced and fixed, roofs fixed and painted and the interiors made new. The officer's quarters, too, have received attention. At the present writing Captain Wilson asked for and secured the necessary funds to repair the stables behind the quarters, and W. O. Vincent has secured the contract and commenced his work at once. These stables are nearly all roofless and when they to be completely repaired and will present a neat and up-to-date appearance.

Captain Wilson has been untiring in his efforts to bring Fort Clark back into shape and he has already done much for it. Taking matters into his hands, he made his first move in the reservation at the Las Moras Spring. As a result the headwaters of the Las Moras and reservation have all been fenced in, the grounds cleared, the creek bed straightened and the bottom cleaned out, all weeds and lily taken off, a new dam built at the spring yard, and other various improvements. Grass will be planted in this new park—called Wilson park, after the President and the Captain—and it will make one of the most beautiful parks in this section.

Captain Wilson is a live-wire officer, and he works as he feels the work should be done. Consequently, Fort Clark, his post, is receiving his untiring attention and his efforts to fix and repair and beautify it are reaping results, his plans are allowed and accorded full power, and satisfaction is expressed here at the work being done. And for what has been done, is being done, and will be done at the Post, we have to thank Captain Wilson, who made and will make these things come true.

Card Of Thanks.

To the Masons and all other friends who assisted me during the death and burial of Mr. Herzing, by sympathy, kind acts and floral offerings I extend my sincerest thanks, and beg God's blessing on all.

Mrs. Theresa Herzing.

Posted.

All my lands in this county, bordering town and the Pinto, are posted against fishing, camping, hunting, wood-hauling, or otherwise trespassing, offenders to be prosecuted according to law.

W. G. Lackey.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and for years it was supposed to be incurable. Doctors prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Medicine, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is a constitutional remedy, is taken internally and acts thru the blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System. One Hundred Dollars reward is offered for any case that Hall's Catarrh Medicine fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.

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Red Cross Cash In.

Last week, while preparing a copy of the list of those who contributed to the Red Cross Fund from this County, a mistake was made and George Herzing's contribution, five dollars (\$5.00), was omitted, the mistake being unintentional on the part of the Committee. Naturally, we omitted same. We regretted very much this omission as we wanted to have the names of everybody who contributed towards this grand organization, and made it such a complete success.

The \$95.75 which was pledged was collected by Mrs. William J. Pratz and the entire cash turned in to the Committee in charge. This brings the total contributed by Kinney County to \$1,600.00, all cash.

Between Kinney, Val Verde and Edwards Counties, the Red Cross organization for the

District contributed more than their share of the amount called for, which is a very credible showing and also discloses that patriotism is going strong in these three counties, and that the District done their bit.

First Wedding Anniversary.

On the evening of the 4th, Wednesday, quite a number of Brackett people gathered at the Cunningham home in response to a cheerful invitation which bore the information that that day was the first Wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Cunningham, and a merry evening was had, all present wishing the couple who had reached their first year of matrimonial bliss, the best of all luck and good wishes for many such years of happiness.

It was, indeed, a most pleasant occasion, and thru the efforts of the host and hostess all had a merry and pleasing time, and all pronounce it as having been one of the most delightful occasions they had ever attended.

Queen of Saba, Henry George and Salinas cigars for sale at F. H. Fritter's.

We have looked over the reservation since the cleaning up work has been done, and it sure looks good to us, and will make a pretty park.

Miss Buelah Jones of Del Rio was here the latter part of last week, being called on account of the illness of Mrs. Jones, her mother.

Judge and Mrs. I. L. Martin of Uvalde were called here the first of last week by the serious illness of Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Martin's mother.

A Pleasant Party

Mr. and Mrs. John F. Dooley entertained a number of their friends at the ranch Wednesday afternoon, the 4th of July, a number of Brackett people motored, there and all reported as to having had a most pleasant and delightful time, and that they couldn't soon forget this most pleasant outing, which these good people so amply provided. The party had all the pleasures of an outing in the country, and they made most of and enjoyed it thoroughly. Mr. and Mrs. Dooley prepared for the event with their usual liberal heartedness and made the affair a success.

If you would have satisfaction and best treatment and good goods, why not go to the place where they are assured you—the Manhattan.

Mrs. H. E. Odem returned Saturday afternoon to her home in Sinton, after a pleasant visit here with her mother, Mrs. P. S. Fritter.

Mrs. Harry Bannister and children who had been here for a week the guests of Mrs. Bannister's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hymans returned Saturday to her home in Del Rio.



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"Although it has been a year and a half since Tanlac relieved me of my awful catarrhal trouble and indigestion, I still retain my increase in weight and feel simply fine all the time. I've been eating anything I want—in fact anything anybody else can—and sleeping like a child every night. Being made into a strong, healthy man after suffering as long as I did is enough to make me rejoice and I'm glad to endorse Tanlac because I know what it will do."

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Catching On.

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"It means the 'other I,'" responded a pupil.

"Give me a sentence containing the phrase."

"He winked his alter ego."—Boston Transcript.

There are a lot of funny things in this world—including patent smoke consumers.

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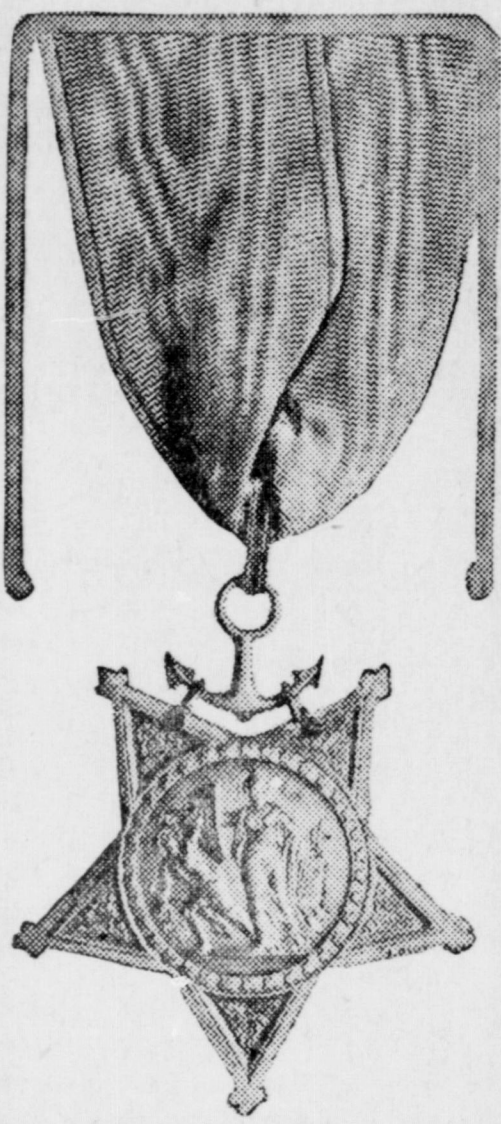
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THE Congressional Medal of Honor recognizes no rank. It is awarded to the private or the general, the second class seaman or fireman or to the rear admiral for extraordinary courage, valor surpassing even that which is expected from the well-trained, seasoned soldier or sailor. No matter how hazardous a duty well performed, that is not enough. To win the medal something more than is demanded by duty must be achieved.

Unlike some of the European decorations for bravery, the American Medal of Honor is more difficult for an officer to win than for an enlisted man, because more is expected of an officer.

The medal is a bit of bronze suspended from a ribbon. Its intrinsic value, be it what it may, is of no importance. Into the metal disk are welded all the qualities of man which men admire, even worship. In the archives of the war department are succinct, unimaginative records of the acts which caused the medal to be pinned to the breasts of the men who have won it. The papers will yellow and crumble, the ribbons will rot to dust, the bronze itself will corrode and vanish, but the things the medal stands for will go on and the epic of the Medal of Honor will continue to be inscribed in the hearts of men.

There is no doubt the Medal of Honor will be won in this war, but it will not be won easily, and though millions may be fighting under the American flag it will come to but few to wear this distinguishing mark. In the Spanish war less than 20 medals were awarded. In the Philippines a few were given.

The last two medals to be awarded were presented to Sergt. Maj. Roswell Winans and Corporal Joseph A. Glowin of the marine corps, for their work at the battle of Guayacanes, in Santo Domingo. It is the act itself which wins the medal for a man, and not only does his rank matter not at all, but he may win it in a skirmish or in a battle like that of Gettysburg or of the Marne.

The report of the board of investigation for the navy department in their case follows: "On July 3, 1916, the Twenty-eighth company of marines was engaged with the Dominican armed forces at the battle of Guayacanes. During a running fight of 1,200 yards our forces reached the enemy trenchment and Corporal Joseph Glowin placed the machine gun of which he had charge behind a large log across the road and immediately opened fire on the trenches. He was struck once but continued firing his gun, but a moment later he was again struck and had to be dragged out of the position into cover. Sergt. Roswell Winans, U. S. M. C., then arrived with a Colt's gun, which he placed in a most exposed position and coolly opened fire on the trenches, and when the gun jammed he stood up and repaired it under fire. All the time Glowin and Winans were handling their guns they were exposed to a very heavy fire which was striking into the logs and around the men, seven men being wounded and one killed within 20 feet. Sergeant Winans continued firing his gun until the enemy had abandoned the trenches."

Sergeant Winan's story in his own words is even more modest than the official report, although it is more vivid and picturesque.

"On the morning of July 3," he said, "we got under way with every one feeling like a new man. Firing on the advance guard began early in the day. Our captain obtained permission to take our platoon forward. We kept the guns on the carriages until within a few yards of the firing line, then transferred them to the tripods and immediately opened fire. The enemy was using mostly old-fashioned breechloaders with big lead slugs."

"The brush was very thick on both sides of the road. Jams were frequent with us and each gun wore out a couple of shell extractors. Difficulty had been experienced all along with our ammunition. Some of it dated back as far as 1907. It had evidently been reloaded many times."

"We found it good policy to change barrels in case of a jam in the chambers. In that way we would be only a minute out of action. A party of the enemy were seen up the road and Corporal Johnson started to put his gun in action. A big lead slug (tin cans, we called them) came ricocheting down the road directly for us. Johnson saw it while kneeling behind his gun. He ducked almost prone, but the thing took a long skip and hit him in the jaw, passed down and lodged back of the shoulder."

"The gun crews promptly gave the place where the shot was fired a good combing. We continued to advance under cover of the bushes and trees. A battalion of infantry was deployed as skirmishers on each side of the road and we were concealed by a turn in the road and high trees and bushes."

"Directly across the road was a huge log. At our end of the log a Benet-Mercier had just commenced roaring, with Corporal Glowin in command of it."

"The captain ordered a gun in action at the butt of the tree. It had no sooner opened up than all the bullets in the world seemed coming

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our way. The enemy was shooting mighty close too. The trenches were awfully hard to pick up, although we were only about 150 yards away. They were on a hill and had carried their dirt away."

"The battalions made slow progress on the flanks on account of the thick underbrush. The enemy had an immensely strong natural position and had a few machine guns and some barbed wire they could not have been rooted out without great loss of life."

"A call went up for a hospital apprentice, as Corporal Frazee had been shot in the head. He had been working hard getting his gun pointed on the enemy and had just succeeded."

"You're right on them now; give them fits!" were the words he said.

"His finger was also shot in the head and two others were wounded in the arm. A corporal in the Thirtieth company was shot twice while operating a Benet-Mercier. He refused to leave his gun and had to be carried away, struggling to get back into the fight."

"While this was going on our other guns began to come up one at a time and we obtained fire superiority over the enemy, who shot very wildly now on. This last is an after judgment. At the time they seemed to be just missing me I don't know how the other men felt, but I expected to be shot any minute and just wanted to do as much damage as possible to the enemy before cashing in. Several members of our platoon did cool and creditable work in changing cartridge extractors and repairing jams under fire."

"Weaced the enemy as much as possible while repairing the guns, as we had a horror of being shot in the back."

"One of the sweetest sounds I ever heard was the cheering of the infantry battalion as it charged the right flank trenches of the enemy. Gunner Sergeant Ralph was among the first of these. He had a hot fight with the rebel general in command, Ralph and some other man with a rifle hit him at about the same time. Result—exit general."

"We moved up to the trenches after the battle and reformed, getting our equipment together. Corporal Frazee died soon after being hit and was buried within a few feet of the place where he had fought so well. The enemy lost very heavily, and if Santo Domingo was not an island some of these birds would be running yet."

Maj. Gen. J. Franklin Bell, now in command of the eastern department, with headquarters on Governor's island, won the medal in the Philippines. A colonel of the Thirty-sixth Infantry he was proceeding along the San Antonio Ponce road to head off a band of insurgents who had attacked the Ninth Infantry at Guagua and Santa Rita."

Colonel Bell, mounted, was riding near the head of the advance party and had with him Lieut. Col. William R. Grove, Major Straub, two mounted orderlies and about twelve scouts on foot."

Just at dawn the party was fired upon from what seemed a fairly large body of insurgents hidden in the brush. The American fire dislodged the enemy about seven of them running down the road around a bend. The scouts pursued them, but Colonel Bell saw at once that the men, with their heavy equipment, were being easily outdistanced by the lightly clad Filipinos, and he dashed after them on his horse."

Before Major Straub or the two mounted orderlies knew what he was doing, Colonel Bell was far down the road in the midst of seven struggling insurgents, firing with his revolver and slashing about with his saber."

The mounted men galloped to his assistance and the infantry supported him as best they could with rifle fire, although it was almost impossible to shoot, so tangled up were the insurgents and Colonel Bell."

The officer would have been perfectly justified in remaining with his troops, even behind them and merely directing the dislodging assault, and for charging alone and driving into the jungle at least seven Filipinos, with two officers among them, the Medal of Honor was awarded to him."

Two of the few medals awarded in the war against Spain went to a second class fireman and a coppersmith on board the battleship Iowa. While the vessel was cruising in Cuban waters, July 20, 1898, at about seven o'clock in the morning, a manhole gasket blew out in one of the boilers in fire room No. 2."

Under 120-pounds pressure, live steam roared out into the room as boiling water swashed around the floor."

In the adjoining compartment were Robert Penn, second-class fireman, and P. B. Keefer, a coppersmith. Hearing the wild roar of the escaping steam they dashed to the door of fire room No. 2."

The men who had been working there, blinded by the escaping steam, floundering in the scalding water, had been so overcome that they could not get out. One of the coal passers had already sunk to his knees and was dropping forward. In a matter of seconds he would have toppled into the water and been boiled to death."

Undaunted by the terrifying roar of the steam

and the killing heat, Penn dashed into the room and, lifting the coal passer, staggered to safety with him, the scalding water above his ankles. Ignoring the frightful pain of his scalded, swollen feet, this second-class fireman dashed back into the hell from which he had just dragged one victim and saved another life."

Keefer meanwhile was busy saving the ship from destruction, or at least from the effects of a terrific explosion, for the water escaping from the boiler would soon leave so little there that it would be entirely converted into steam and the pressure would wreck it."

Dashing through the blinding, torturing steam, Keefer, the coppersmith, hauled the fire from under the two inboard furnaces. Meanwhile, Penn, having gotten every one out of the fire room, had turned on the extra feed pump in the after fire hold to keep water in the boilers and built a bridge to the furnaces out of planks laid on top of ash buckets. While Passed Assistant Engineer Stockney held the plank in place Penn hauled the two remaining fires before he was carried to the sick bay where his terribly scalded feet were treated."

Both Penn and Keefer received the Medal of Honor for their acts. That it is only extraordinary bravery which merits the medal accounts for the fact that Fireman Smith did not win the bronze for the same day's work. In helping Keefer he had both legs badly burned, but the opportunity did not offer itself to display the same supercourage which Keefer and Penn exhibited."

Some of the most stirring medal stories are those of the Indian campaigns. For instance, there was Corporal Paul H. Welgart, who expected to be court-martialed for what he did at the battle of Wounded Knee, but instead had the Medal of Honor pinned to his breast."

Another Indian fighter to win the coveted bronze was Sergt. Bernard Taylor of the Fifth cavalry, engaged in fighting the Apaches in Arizona in 1874."

Some of the most distinguished men in the army have worn the medal. Lieut. Gen. Nelson A. Miles won it for continually exposing himself to the fire of the enemy as colonel of the Sixty-first New York volunteers in the Civil war, for no other purpose than to encourage his men by the example."

At Fair Oaks Gen. William R. Shafter was wounded, but when a surgeon was seen approaching he climbed a tree in order not to be sent to the rear. After the surgeon passed Shafter came down and continued to fight until he fell unconscious from loss of blood."

Those who remember General Shafter only as he was in the Cuban campaign will wonder how he got into the tree, but a man can put on a lot of weight in thirty-day years."

Gen. Francis D. Baldwin won the medal while a first lieutenant in the Fifth infantry. With two companies under him he rescued two white girls from Indians at McClellan's Creek, Tex., in November, 1874."

Although not so well-known as the Victoria Cross, the Iron Cross or the Medaille Militaire, the Congressional Medal of Honor is much more difficult to attain. It is distributed to very few persons and then only after a sweeping investigation of the circumstances surrounding the act for which it is recommended."

The Medal of Honor was authorized by congress by an act of July 12, 1862. The striking of 2,000 medals was ordered, to be conferred upon privates and non-commissioned officers for acts of bravery surpassing those usually demanded of soldiers. One thousand of these medals were voted to a single organization, the survivors of a Maine regiment which volunteered to remain in service on the eve of the Battle of Gettysburg although their terms had expired. This is the only case of a wholesale distribution of the medal and has been severely criticized."

There are slight variations in the medals as designed for the army, the navy and the marines. The army's medal, as modified in 1905, is a five-pointed star with the trefoils on the tips. The star is superimposed on a wreath. In the center of the star is the head of Minerva, surrounded by the words "United States of America." The medal is suspended from a trophy representing an eagle on a bar with the word "Valor." The whole is suspended from a ribbon."

The original medal bore in the center of the star a figure of America clad as Minerva. Her left hand rested upon the fasces and with a shield in her right she repelled Discord. A band of stars circled the figures. The trophy was an eagle perched on two crossed cannons and a number of cannon balls suspended from a red, white and blue ribbon."

The medal as presented to the marines today is practically like the original medal, except that it is joined to the ribbon by an anchor and the ribbon is worn around the neck."

The navy receives a medal similar to that awarded to marines but worn pinned to the breast suspended from a metal bar by a short ribbon."

The medal is worn only on special parade or at ceremonies with the dress uniform.—New York Herald.

FINDS TWO SONS; SOUGHT ONLY ONE

Peculiar Experience of Hartford Woman While Searching for Offspring.

Denver, Colo.—To seek an only son and to learn she is the mother of two "sons," at least one of whom she did not know existed, is the somewhat peculiar experience of Mrs. Martha Congress of East Hartford, Conn.

Another strange circumstance in connection with the quest of her lost heir is that Louis Congress, the missing son, was prosperous and robust when he disappeared several months ago. The two new "sons" of Mrs. Congress are in precarious health and without funds.

Mrs. Congress asked a local paper to find her lost son, believed to be in Colorado. Her ad got results. One of



The Other "Son" Wrote From the Imperial Hotel.

the letters in reply was dated at La Junta, Colo., P. O. Box 3463. It said:

"Dearest Mother: I thought I would write you a few lines to let you know I am not Very Well this is Why I am writing for Money, in another letter you send me send \$12 because I need it am in Hard Luck I will tell you the Results When I Get Home. From Yours Truly & Sincerely, 'LOUIS CONGRESS.'"

"P. S. La Junta, Colo. Send it in Next Letter. Send it in Bills and Send it Mother."

The other son wrote from the Imperial hotel in Denver, and this is the touching appeal he inscribed:

"Mamma: Saw your ad in the Post today; am a little sick. Will explain all when I get back to you. I have not been able to get work for a long time. Please send money to me care Imperial hotel, 318 Fourteenth street, Denver, Colo. I owe month's room rent at this hotel. Will leave town without their knowing it."

"Your loving son, LOUIE." Mrs. Congress is still looking for her son.

STEAL DEAD MAN'S HEART

Ghouls Dig Up Grave of Wealthiest and Most Popular Man in Southern Ohio.

Bethel, O.—Ghouls dug up the grave of Daniel Hill, eighty-four years old, of this town, and cut out the dead man's heart. They then covered the coffin again and made their escape. A box of burnt matches and spots on the tombstone were the only clues left."

Hill, one of the wealthiest and most popular men in southern Ohio had died of natural causes, according to his physician. A few days after the burial the sexton became suspicious and had the grave dug up. He found that the coffin had been sawed open.

DRUNKS TO RAISE CROP, IS MAYOR'S ORDER

Lockhaven, Pa.—The mayor of this city has solved, partially at least, the problem of the threatened food shortage. Recently, when a stranger was arrested for drunkenness and could not pay the city fine "His Honor" sentenced the man to dig the plot of ground in the rear of the Ross library, which will be cultivated. The mayor feels sure he will get enough of this class of labor in the next few months to take excellent care of the crop.

Lays Seven Eggs in Four Days.

Luverne, Minn.—C. H. Mareaux of this city is the owner of a hen that is unusually ambitious. Not satisfied with laying steadily, she occasionally produces two eggs a day. Recently she laid two eggs a day for three consecutive days, laying seven eggs in four days. The eggs are normal in size and well formed.

Pair Separated Eleven Times.

Fresno, Cal.—After his wife had deserted him 11 times in four months, Clifton W. Clinger obtained a divorce. Clinger took his wife back after the first separation, before deciding on divorce. He obtained custody of their three children.

