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# The Texas Spur

## AND DICKENS ITEM

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### NEARLY ONE INCH OF RAIN FALLS OVER SPUR COUNTRY

Rain began to fall over Spur and surrounding territory Thursday night of last week, continuing until Sunday the total amounting to about one inch. The rain fell slowly and every bit soaked into the ground, giving a season sufficient for planting crops.

Again Wednesday night of this week a light shower fell here.

Grass is now coming and within a short time cattle feeding in this section will be a thing of the past. The cowmen are happy and the farmers are smiling.

Come to the Spur country.

### THE PEOPLE OF AMERICA "GO OVER THE TOP" WITH LOAN

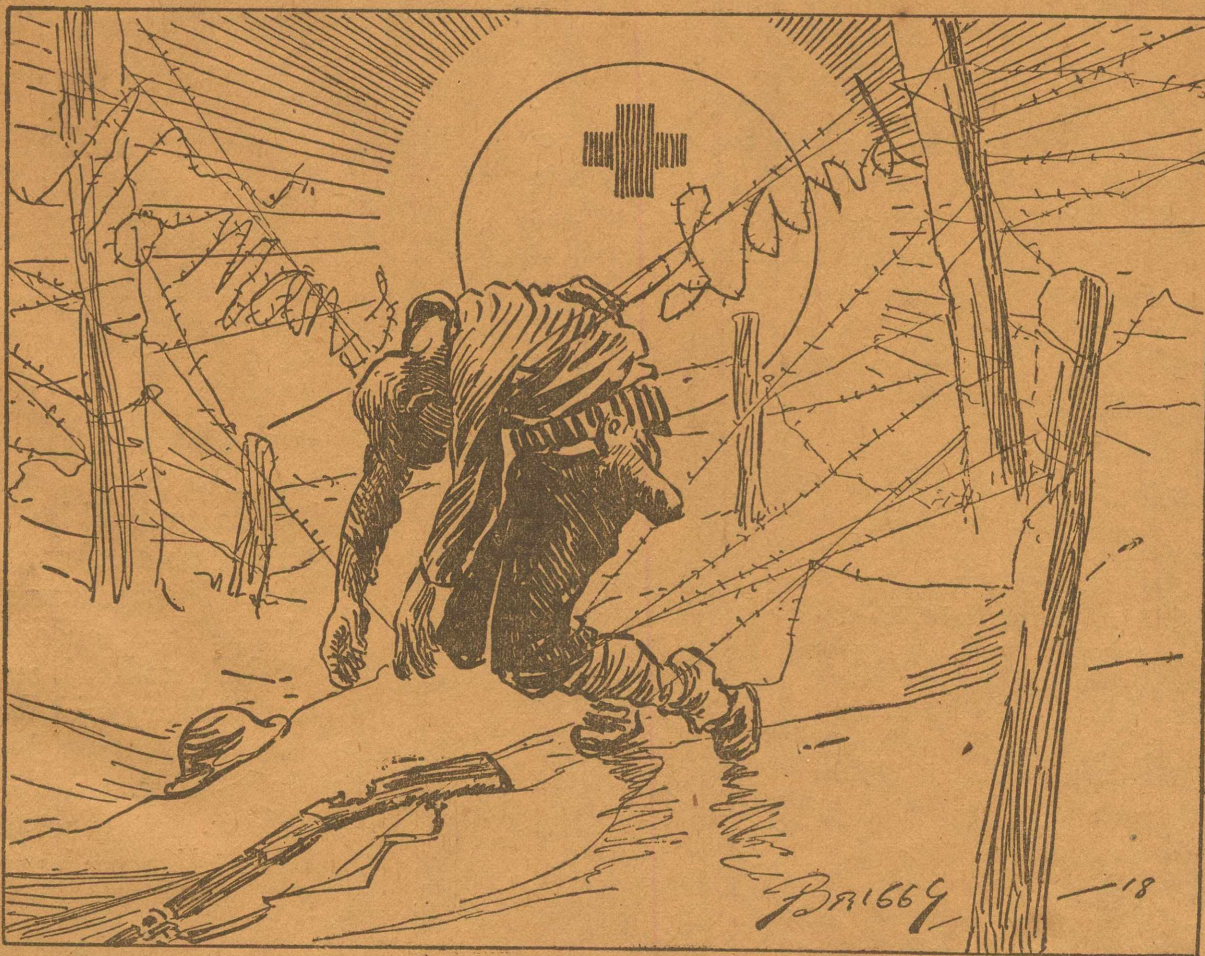
The people of the United States oversubscribed the third liberty loan to the amount of one billion dollars, the amount asked for being three billions, whereas four billion were taken by the people.

Dickens county and every West Texas county oversubscribed their quotas, notwithstanding we have endured a continued drouth.

The people are waking up to the needs of these warring times, and they will go their limit to win the war.

Mrs. M. L. Pierce left this week for an extended visit to her parents at Ponta.

## When a Feller Needs a Friend



Contributed by Briggs.

## YOUR HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS

### WAR FUND COMMITTEE TELLS HOW IT WAS SPENT.

No Part of It, Says John D. Ryan, Went for Any Expenses of the Organization.

John D. Ryan, vice chairman of the War Council, recently discussed the disbursements of the first \$100,000,000 American Red Cross fund and spoke of the necessity for further funds. He announced that the week set apart for the drive is May 20 to 27.

"We have collected \$105,000,000," said Mr. Ryan. "We have allowed refunds to chapters—as you know, chapters are entitled to retain 25 per cent. of the collections covered by the chapter. They have not in all cases availed themselves of the 25 per cent., but we have allowed \$17,006,121 on this account. We have appropriated to date \$77,721,918 and we have available for appropriation on March 1 \$10,371,217, with the addition of \$3,500,000 we know to be perfectly good when called upon.

"The appropriations have been made to the different countries as follows: France, \$30,936,103; Belgium, \$2,086,131; Italy, \$3,588,826; Russia, \$1,243,845; Rumania, \$2,676,368; Serbia, \$875,180; Great Britain, \$1,885,750, including \$1,000,000 that was appropriated by the War Council to the British War Relief, and for other foreign relief work, \$3,576,300.

"For relief work for prisoners we have expended \$343,304, and this work is only beginning. These appropriations have been made to care for the prisoners that we feared might be taken. We also spent for equipment and expenses of Red Cross personnel sent abroad \$113,800; for army base hospitals in the United States, \$54,000; for navy base hospitals in the United States, \$32,000; for medical and hospital work in the United States, \$531,000; for sanitary service in camps in this country, \$403,000; for camp service in the United States, \$6,451,150, and miscellaneous in the United States, \$1,118,748. We have funds restricted as to use by the donors amounting to \$2,520,409, and we have as a working capital for the purchase of supplies for resale to chapters or for shipment to France of \$15,000,000. We have working cash advances for France and the United States of \$4,286,000.

"People say we use 60 cents to spend a dollar. The expenses of the Red Cross today are well within the amount of money provided by membership fees. No part of the \$105,000,000 that we got is spent for carrying on the work."

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 ★ I want to say to you that no ★  
 ★ other organization since the ★  
 ★ world began has ever done such ★  
 ★ great constructive work with the ★  
 ★ efficiency, dispatch and under- ★  
 ★ standing, often under adverse ★  
 ★ circumstances, that has been ★  
 ★ done by the American Red Cross ★  
 ★ in France.—General Pershing. ★  
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sands are suffering and dying, and crying to Americans for succor. We will respond to our limit.

Luther Jones was in Spur Tuesday from his ranch forty miles southwest of Spur. He reports that he had a little rain, but that more is wanted.

### RED CROSS CAMPAIGN FOR ONE HUNDRED MILLIONS

The Red Cross of America has already spent one hundred millions of dollars in aiding the helpless, the wounded, the needy, and now it is calling upon the people of America for another hundred million to be spent in the same manner.

The campaign for this second one hundred million dollars will begin on May 20th and close May 27th, thus consuming only seven days of time to secure the needs.

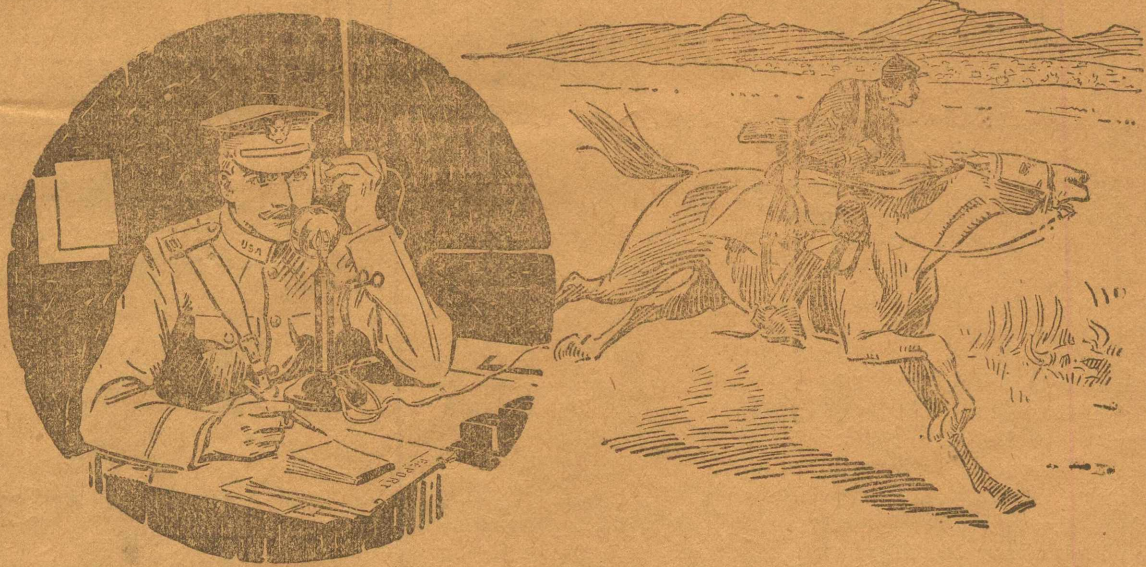
Twenty six of the business men of Spur are in this week's issue of the Texas Spur making appeals to the people of this country to meet the requirements of the Red Cross. We want you to read every one the appeals and you will be better informed of the work and the needs of the Red Cross organization.

The quota to be subscribed by Dickens county people is thirty five hundred dollars. We have not the least doubt but that this amount will also be "oversubscribed."

We consider the Red Cross the greatest and grandest organization in the world—the greatest because every true-blue American who has had an opportunity is an active member; and the grandest because it renders unstinted aid and assistance where needed, recognizing no class nor religious creed. The Red Cross will render aid to suffering and needy humanity wherever encountered.

This campaign for one hundred million dollars differs from the liberty loans, in that you need not expect monetary returns upon your investment. However, there will be a glorious satisfaction to every individual who deprives himself to help suffering humanity.

What good are we to the world if we can not help those in need? Thou-



## The Nation's Courier

With the whole nation an armed camp whose outposts extend from ocean to ocean, the toll lines of the Bell System are the message bearers of the Nation's vast war organization.

Even at the fighting front the telephone has replaced the hard-riding courier of other days.

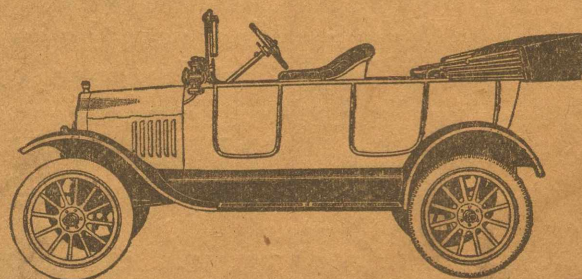
The Bell telephone message traverses the continent at its widest girth in one-fifteenth of a second.

Important military points and industrial centers hundreds of miles apart are in close contact with each other and with Washington.

More than three million miles of toll wire in the Bell System are the highways over which pass a million messages a day, by which the vast activities of the Nation are systematized and controlled.

Have You Enlisted in the Army of Savers?  
Buy War Saving Stamps

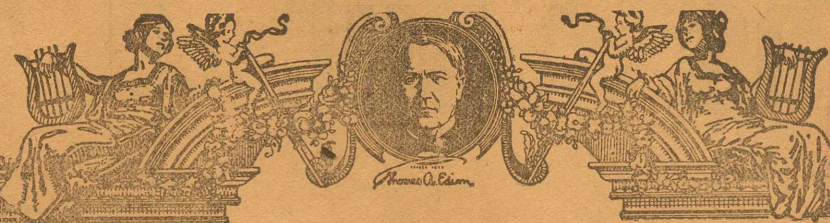
THE SOUTHWESTERN TELEGRAPH & TELEPHONE CO.



FORDS—F. O. B. Detroit  
Touring Car, \$450.; Roadster, \$435.

W. F. GODFREY, Dealer  
Spur, Texas





## Edison's New Musical Art

More precious to the soul of the music lover than fine jewels is Music's Re-Creation—Thomas A. Edison's new art.

No word picture can convey to your mind a complete understanding of what Music's Re-Creation means. It is beyond description. To know its full meaning one must sit under its spell.

Music's Re-Creation for the moment takes one out of one's self and away from the cares and trials of the day.

What a blessing—what mental refreshment in these days of intense nerve strain, anxiety and sacrifice!

Whether gay or serious, you will find sympathy in Music's Re-Creation. It will multiply your joys. It will raise you out of your depressions. It will sustain you in moments of stress. It will soothe you in moments of restlessness. It will bestow upon you almost human companionship.

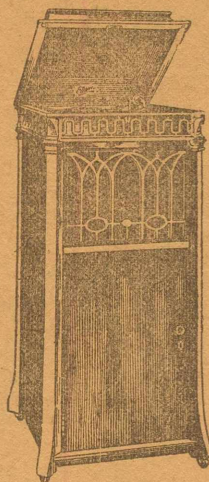
It will enrich many years of your life.

### The NEW EDISON

"The Phonograph with a Soul"

is the instrument by which Mr. Edison has given Music's Re-Creation to the world. This marvelous invention Re-Creates the human voice and the music of human-played instruments with such fidelity that 2,000,000 music lovers and music critics of 1500 representative American newspapers have been completely mystified by their inability to tell the living voice from its duplication by the New Edison.

We would welcome an opportunity to introduce you to Music's Re-Creation.



Official Laboratory Model

THE RED FRONT DRUG STORE

We carry a complete line of Nunnally's Candies. Always Drug Store. 15-16

**BULLS FOR SALE.**  
Registered Hereford Bulls for sale, two miles south of McAdoo.—R. R. Wooten, 2716

**BOYS IN ARMY HOSPITAL ARE EFFICIENTLY CARED FOR**

Editor Texas Spur:—If you can spare me space for a few lines, I will say for the benefit of the fathers and mothers who have sons in the army that they may rest assured in case their boy gets sick and has to go to the government hospital that he will have the very best attention. I have been in the Base Hospital at Douglas, Arizona, day and night for the last two weeks, as my son has been there with a very severe case of pneumonia. They have the very best of doctors, and the finest of nurses. The nurses are so kind to the poor sick boys. I have heard more than one sick boy call his nurse "mother." I have seen the nurses go many hours without rest, as they were very short on nurses and doctors. I must say they had one of the finest Chaplains. He tried to visit the sick boys every day and would ask them to write home, and he wrote for some of them. His name was Rideout and he is leaving this week with the 11th Field Art. for France. Another thing I will mention. The ladies at Phoenix and Bisbee helped Douglas to furnish flowers for each ward in this hospital. I mention these things in behalf of these good people, and in hopes that it might be of some consolation to those who have loved ones in the army hospital.

Respectfully,  
G. L. BARBER.

**GO TO CHURCH PROCLAMATION ISSUED BY GOVERNOR**

Next Sunday is the day designated by President Wilson and Governor Hobby as Go to Church and Sunday School Sunday. In this proclamation both our President and Governor commend the Sunday school and church work to the people as worthy of their earnest consideration and urge all to take advantage of the opportunities afforded by these institutions. On next Sunday all the mothers and fathers, are especially urged to be present, taking their children with them. Special services will be held at each church in Spur and you are urged to comply with the suggestion of our State and Nation Executives. Make this day a day of prayer and devotion. Be at Sunday school and church and take your

## Save Liberty For The Race of Men

Out of the bleeding heart of Europe there comes a cry heard above the moan of the broken body racked with pain. The soul of Freedom, at bay with Death, cries out to save Liberty for the race of men.

It is your Liberty, your nation's freedom, your children's birthright, that is fighting for its life.

All that life holds for you as an American is at stake in this war, and you must fight for it to the utmost limits of your power.

We cannot all be in the trenches, but every one of us can—and must—sustain those who are. Not as an act of mercy, but as an act of war—as a soldier of the nation—help the Red Cross heal, support, cheer our soldiers and sailors of Liberty that they may fight the sooner, the harder, the longer in this Holy War. Give to the Red Cross every dollar, every cent that you possibly can—Give till your heart says stop!

**RITER HARDWARE COMPANY**  
SPUR, TEXAS

## Across The Sea They Call

Across the seas from every war torn nation in the Allied cause there comes the call for Red Cross help.

It comes from soldiers who have grimly faced the gleaming bayonet steel and poison gas and screaming shells, and who now lie with parching throats and throbbing wounds. It comes from soldiers sick with fever, pneumonia, tuberculosis. It comes from the soldiers crippled, mutilated and blind, who can no longer fight and must be taught and trained for useful occupations.

It comes from the underfed, shivering, helpless prisoners in the German prison camps. It comes from little children, orphaned, homeless slowly starving day by day, by tens and tens of thousands.

It comes from the mothers in the pillaged zones of war whose hearts and souls are made numb with horror.

From all these millions of suffering human beings there comes across the seas the call for help—help that because of the frightful burdens placed upon our allies cannot be given unless it be provided by the cannot be given unless it be provided by the American Red Cross.

Another Hundred Million is Needed to "carry on."

What will America's Answer Be?

W. C. GRUBEN, THE JEWELER.

## FACTS

### Concerning American Red Cross in Europe

Did You Know That

It has established and is operating 20 dispensaries in the American Army Zone in France to care for the needy families and to improve health conditions in that section ready for our troops? It is housing and feeding thousands of children in the War Zone to keep them away from the danger of gas and shell fire? It has divided the entire War Zone into six main districts, with Red Cross Workers at each point to distribute cooking utensils, agricultural implements, beds, bedding, food and clothing? It provides builders and ready-to-put-up buildings to house the homeless in the devastated regions, often before the walls of the destroyed homes have cooled?

It is bringing over two hundred tons of supplies every day in Paris, from which 125 tons are reshipped to branch warehouses over France? It is providing an artificial limb factory outside of Paris, in addition to special plants for making splints?

What will you give to keep this Hand of Mercy at its Work?

**BRAZELTON LUMBER COMPANY**



## You'll Shake Hands with Yourself



When you get acquainted with this Drug Store, because you will find everything to your satisfaction. Quality, quantity, price and courtesy will surely please you. We do business on the principle of treating all customers right, and that always brings them back to us. Everything that a high grade up-to-date Drug Store should have will be found here at right prices.

## Spur Drug Co.

SPUR :: TEXAS

CIGARS  
DRUGS

CONFECTIONS  
SODAS

### "PATRIOTEERING."

(Exact from the address of senator John Williams.)

Now, Mr. President I am getting a little tired of this "patrioteering" business. I love patriotism, but I have been reading the last two numbers of the Saturday Evening Post and a couple of poems on patrioteering that I found there, and if any senator has not read them he ought to read them. Men go out and exploit themselves about "meatless Tuesdays" and "wheatless Thursdays", and they seem to think they are doing something very patriotic. The whole Confederacy lived without any wheat at all for I do not know how long—about three years at least, in the coast and southwest departments and the southern department; they had none. I as a boy in the Confederacy did not see anything made out of wheat from the early part of 1862 until the surrender, except now and then we would plant a little patch of wheat and grind it on a corn mill and sift it as best we could in the kitchen for the purpose of making Christmas and birthday cakes.

What is the use of talking about the "hardships" of the American people? They have not suffered any hardships. You have not put your

front toe into the anteroom of the temple of Mars. You have thus far done nothing except to complain, and to complain again and to repeat complaints about the efforts of those who are as patriotic as you or I in attempting under official oath and high official responsibility to do what they can to win the war.

It requires just two things to win a war; there is nothing else under the sun which can do it; congressional resolutions can not do it; public patriotic addresses can not do it. It takes men and guns and food and transportation. men and guns and food constituting one side of the proposition and transportation constituting the other.

If you want Coal for Winter, give us your order now!—Spur Grain & Coal Company, Spur, Texas. 26tf

—W. S. S.—  
Buy bonds and read Texas Spur.

—W. S. S.—  
Pure bred White Orpington eggs at \$2.25 per setting, or more.—J. F. Vernon, Spur, Texas. 21tf

—W. S. S.—  
Beat the Huns by buying your bread at the Allied Bakery & Restaurant.

## "The Good God will Provide"

These were the words of a French Mather 60 years of age, when her youngest boy who was her sole support, left for the front.

We commend them to the man, who, blessed with this world's goods, has not made a proportionate response to The Liberty Loan.

We commend them, also the man who is hesitating because of the payment of installments on his bond presents self-denial and anxiety. Remember the wit of the noble old woman.

Buy, and buy until it cuts clear through your luxuries into your necessities.

## Buy Liberty Bond

THE SPUR NATIONAL BANK  
SPUR, TEXAS

### THE RUSSIAN BUBBLE

By John Ridgeway.

The defection of Russia from the vital consideration of the allies makes the Russian question an interesting one today. Russia has had much at stake; then why has she so utterly collapsed, allowed the dismemberment of her country, and become so subservient to Germany? Will she ever revive? These are the questions thoughtful men all over the world are asking themselves. But before going further into the question, let us first glance at the underlying causes of Russia's predicament.

The nation covers a large area. That part which is fertile is owned by a few rich nobles who rent the land to the peasants. The peasants live upon these farms in perfect seclusion and ignorance. Many are habitual drunkards, thus causing low moral tone.

Being intensely ignorant, they were nevertheless taught one thing with great care: That was to reverence the czar as if he were a god, to obey his orders and to fight whenever he said fight.

This unlimited confidence in the czar grew until he and his few advisors were not afraid to pass any harsh and unjust law.

They sent, for the slightest offenses, all offenders to Siberia, that land of eternal ice and bitter cold, to work as slaves. Most of these froze, were beaten to death, or left injured by the wayside to starve before reaching their destination. This one element soon developed into the most destructive of all elements, a mixture of hatred and suspicion.

So there arose a nihilist party which believed in the rule of individualism, and in the confiscation of the lands. Their theory was that there should be no formal government. This was set before the peasants and it at once began to take root. The chief of the nihilists aim was to kill the czar and thus destroy their oppressor. Many attempts were made to assassinate Alexander II, a former czar of Russia, who was saved by mere fortune, although after being so fortunate, he was finally killed in the streets of the capital by an exploding bomb. The peasants were an easy prey to this form of socialism. The czar had held them under too strenuous laws too long, and now they were ready for a jump into the dark.

After a year or two of fighting in the present war, the late czar, Nicholas II, had come to be on too intimate terms with the kaiser. The kaiser in pretending to be a friend was undermining Russia with an army of spies. He bribed many of the higher officers, who managed the war badly; and it was on this account that on that famous retreat of 1915, the Russians lacked rifles, supplies and ammunition.

These officers, being at Petrograd, mismanaged the railroad traffic and failed to supply the city with food, although there was an abundance elsewhere, thus supporting the kaiser indirectly and hastening a revolution, a thing he would have prayed for.

The people rose against the czar and forced him to abdicate. His abdication cut the binding cords, and all classes revolted at once. The sensible wing of the socialists under Kerensky decided to hurry on the war, but German spies had too much influence to let the war still be waged. So there was organized the Soldiers' and Workmens Convention, which put into motion a campaign of "stump speaking." Ignorant as well as educated spoke. Soldiers abandoned their duties; workmen struck and followed the great multitudes into idleness.

Lenine, an outlawed Russian, was also a paid agent of the kaiser. He had been given a safe conduct through Germany, from Switzerland to Russia. He lay hidden until times were favorable and then overthrew Kerensky and set up Bolshevism. This form of government stood for peace at any price, and secret treaties were made with Germany.

Lenine favored confiscation of the lands, thus using this as a scheme to get into the confidence of the peasants. A paid agent of the kaiser, a Russian officer, one day a great battle proclaimed to his soldiers that the enemy of the Russians was in the rear and not at the front, meaning, of course, the great land owners. The idea that the Germans were brother workmen of the Russians was so thoroughly spread that the soldiers refused to fight.

## SCREEN DOORS

The flies will get you if you fail to screen against them.

...We Have All Sizes In Stock...

P. H. Miller Lumber Co.

### THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Dickens County, Greeting:—

You are hereby commanded to summon J. H. Moore, and the unknown heirs of J. H. Moore, their heirs and legal representatives, by making publication of this citation in some newspaper published in Dickens county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published, once each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Dickens County, Texas, to be begun and holden at the court house thereof, in Dickens, Texas, on the First Monday in June, 1918, the same being the 3rd day of June, 1918 then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 2nd day of May, 1918, in cause No. 567 on the docket of said court, wherein W. O. Smith is plaintiff, and J. H. Moore, and the unknown heirs of J. H. Moore their heirs and legal representatives, are defendants; the nature of plaintiff's demand being a suit for the title and possession of Lot Number Eighteen (18) in Block Number Thirty-five (35) in the town of Spur, Dickens county, Texas, and to cancel and remove the claims of the defendants as a cloud from the title to said property, plaintiff alleging that he is the owner in fee simple of said property and that his title thereto is superior to the claims of the defendants.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness: M. Gay, Clerk of the District Court of Dickens county.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Dickens, Texas, this 2nd day of May, 1918.

M. GAY, Clerk  
District Court, Dickens County, Texas 27-4t

Roomers Wanted—At the Hisey House, everything new, clean and convenient, reasonable prices. 27-4tp

—W. S. S.—  
Flash Lights and Batteries, a fresh stock always on hand. —Red Front Drug Store. 15-tf

### STRIVING TO PROTECT YOU!

The U. S. Fuel Administrator is earnestly striving to protect you from suffering next winter. We are acting as His Agent in urging you to buy Now! The mines and forests can supply now all the private consumer will buy and take home at this time. We can get it for you with no trouble.

We Can't Get it For You Next Winter. Then there are the problems of car shortage, transportation, teams and labor for local delivery, etc., that will become more serious month after month. They are beyond our best efforts to control.

Help Your Government—Help Yourself by Heeding This Appeal! A Phone call Now Will Save Your Family From Suffering Next Year.—Western Grain & Coal Co., D. H. Sullivan, Manager. 28tf

## What You Waste, Will Buy a LIBERTY BOND

We all spend too much money on "unnecessaries" The country needs some of the money you spend on pleasures, which, though harmless, you CAN manage without.

For your own sake save this money, and put it into a Liberty Bond.

The Bond is as good as a bank account. It is yours to borrow on, to sell, to do as you like with.

Do your duty to yourself and your country by buying a

## LIBERTY BOND

Call in let us answer your questions, and fix up an application for you.

The City National Bank



## WE'LL WIN

### What Does it Mean to You to Know that Your American Red Cross:

Is supporting 50,000 French children.  
Sends supplies to 3,423 French Military hospitals.  
Provides 2,000 French hospitals with surgical dressings.  
Is operating thirty canteens at the frontline.  
Is operating six other canteens at French railway junctions, serving 30,000 French soldiers daily.  
Operates a movable hospital in four units, accommodating 1,000 men.

Is operating a childrens' refuge in one part of the war zone; and in another a medical center, and traveling dispensary, both capable of accommodating more than 2,000 children.

Has opened a long chain of warehouses stocked with hospital supplies, food, soldiers' comforts, tobacco, blankets, etc., all the way from the seaboard to the Swiss frontier.

Has warehouse capacity for 100,000 tons.

Has 400 motor cars and operates 7 garages, making repairs.

Had shipped 46 freight car loads of assorted supplies to Italy from France within two weeks after beginning operations.

Had a battery of motor ambulances at the Piave front four days after the U. S. declared war on Austria.

Started a thousand different activities in Italy at the time that nation was in the most critical condition.

Has established 5 hospitals in England and operates a workshop for hospital supplies employing 2,000 women.

And that 120,000 cases of supplies have been received at the Paris headquarters of the American Red Cross from your various chapters scattered throughout the United States.

What does all this mean to you? And that is but a fraction of the work your Red Cross has done and is doing. It means that without this ceaseless, heroic work of the American Red Cross we could never win this war.

Without your Red Cross quick, and vital help to keep Italy in the fight for Liberty would not have been possible.

Without your Red Cross thousands of French soldiers now gallantly fighting for you at the front would have died of their wounds, exposure and lack of food.

And great and wonderful as has been the work of the American Red Cross in the past, still greater and more wonderful it must be in the future—for now your boy is in the fight.

Your Red Cross can not neglect France, England, Italy, Serbia, Roumania and little Belgium. It must give them all constantly increasing help, for the men of these countries have been fighting our battles.

But now we must all redouble our efforts and sacrifices for our Red Cross because a million mothers' sons are going to carry the stars and stripes to the greatest victory God has ever given to men fighting for honor and liberty. With the help of your Red Cross your boy will win.

**S. M. Swenson & Sons**

Clifford B. Jones, Mgr.

FOR SALE—Oil Stoves and Ice Boxes, good as new, one-half price. Ask the fuel administrator—S. R. Davis—when you will have to buy Racket Store. 23tf. coal!—Spur Grain & Coal Co. 26tf

## ...MOVED...

We have moved our Cafe from the Jones building to 3 doors north in the Midway Hotel building. We have plenty of room and better prepared to serve our customers and friends.

**We Have Lots of Rooms and Nice Clean Beds to Let**

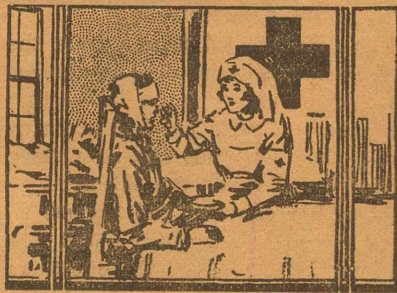
We can give you as nice a bed for the same money as you will find anywhere in town. Come and give us a trial and you will be convinced. This place is under entire different management.

**We Serve Anything You Want in the Short Order Line**

As Ever,

**French Ruby Cafe and Rooming House**

MRS. FANNIE SULLIVAN, Prop.



## RED CROSS CANTEENS; JUST WHAT THEY ARE

American Woman Tells Vividly of Her Canteen—The Gayest, Brightest Little Room One Ever Saw.

### NEVER SO PROUD OF ANYTHING IN ALL HER LIFE

Just what a Red Cross canteen is, how it is outfitted, and the hundred problems the American women have to meet in feeding the French, English and American soldiers is well shown in this letter from an American Red Cross worker:

We have really a wonderful place. It was given to us so rough and plain and ugly. I had a coat of plaster put on the walls, painted a bright blue wainscot three feet high with a stencil of flowers of red, white and blue above, white walls and ceiling, doors and windows outlined with light green, and stencils of bright colors between the windows of trumpets, and over the five doors delicious little paintings by Miss Kirkpatrick and Miss Beckett of soldiers and canteeners in the most clever and attractive way.

#### Brightest Little Room.

At the end of the room we have two girls, one American and one French, holding French and American flags. We have red and white oilcloth on the tables, red glass carafes and red turkey window curtains, and always flowers on the counters. It is the gayest, brightest little room you ever saw. However, it only holds about 120 men seated at the tables and it is to be used as a recreation room and even movies. Our big room is to have a huge kitchen and seats for 1,000 men or over, and will open right on to the platform. It is to be decorated by an artist from the Beaux Art, as Miss Beckett has gone and Miss Kirkpatrick is too busy.

It will really be a splendid big place and we can work in comfort instead of being put in straits as we are now in to feed so many men with only six gas burners in a long row. We make the coffee, soup, cocoa, and ragout or sometimes regular Irish stew on our stoves and the roasts are cooked for us gratuitously at the bakers'. All food except coffee, meat, cocoa and sugar is cheap down here. It is the garden district of France. All the men are so pleased and grateful and we get such post cards and thanks. We have stewed apples, stewed dates and figs for deserts and I tell you it keeps us hopping to keep things going. Sometimes we run out of meat and then we fry eggs for them and they love them. The dormitories are wonderful. I never was so proud of anything before. Two Hundred canvas stretchers for beds. We never used them before, but we can keep them clean and put them outside if there is any vermin.

#### Model of Cleanliness.

We have a splendid fumigating plant and an incinerator, and the place is a model of cleanliness. All the men take off their wet and dirty boots. We have good felt slippers for them, two woolen blankets for each bed, two big stoves and an orderly that wakes them for their trains, good shower baths and wash rooms and altogether, when the big room is finished, it will be a model of everything it should be, particularly as our last touch is a barber. Last year the men slept in the road. We have adopted the Auberge sabots as the only sensible footwear as the roads and our floors are always wet.

#### Freak Hickory Tree.

An odd-shaped hickory tree grew on the J. H. Bowersox farm about a mile from Goheenville, Pa., on the plot of ground owned by the Lutheran church, situated on the Bowersox farm. It is a freak growth, a singular curiosity. It resembles a large hook, the limbs of the tree are all on the under side of the extreme point of the hook, where they grew out and up in the peculiar manner. The tree is about 24 feet high to the top part of the hook, or in other words the elbow formed by the bole.

—W. S. S.—

#### NOTICE.

Will sell brand new Graphonola at one-half price and throw in 20 double records.—Racket Store. 24tf

# Bleeding Europe

Out of the bleeding heart of Europe there comes a cry heard above the moan of the broken body racked with pain. The soul of Freedom, at bay with Death, cries out to save Liberty for the race of men.

It is your Liberty, your nation's freedom, your childrens' birthright, that is fighting for its life.

All that life holds for you as an American is at stake in this war, and you must fight for it to the utmost limits of your power.

We cannot all be in the trenches, but every one of us can—and must—sustain those who are. Not as an act of mercy, but as an act of war—as a soldier of the nation—help the Red Cross heal, support, cheer our soldiers and sailors of Liberty that they may fight the sooner, the harder, the longer in this Holy War. Give to the Red Cross every dollar, every cent that you possibly can—Give till your heart says stop!

LOVE DRY GOODS COMPANY

SPUR, TEXAS

## Facts About The American Red Cross

### Did You Know That

It has established and is operating 20 dispensaries in the American Army Zone in France to care for the needy families and to improve health conditions in that section ready for our troops? It is housing and feeding thousands of children in the War Zone to keep them away from the danger of gas and shell fire? It has divided the entire War Zone into six main districts, with Red Cross Workers at each point to distribute cooking utensils, agricultural implements, beds, bedding, food and clothing? It provides builders and ready-made put-up buildings to house the homeless in the devastated regions, often before the walls of the destroyed homes have cooled?

It is bringing over two hundred tons of supplies every day in Paris, from which 125 tons are reshipped to branch warehouses over France? It is providing an artificial limb factory outside of Paris, in addition to special plants for making splints?

What will you give to keep this Hand of Mercy at its Work?

BRYANT-LINK COMPANY



## Help Keep The "Hands of Mercy" at Its Work

Your Red Cross is an all-American, volunteer organization, authorized by Congress, headed by President Wilson, audited by the War Department, enthusiastically approved by your Army, your Navy and your Allies. The work covers both military and civilian relief in every war-torn Allied country and full reports of all expenditures are continually being published, or are available through the Chapters.

It stands beside our boys in training here or "over there." It watches beside the pillows of battle broken men, and offers rest and sympathy to war-torn fighters on brief respite from the front. It carries food and clothing to hungered mothers and little ones in ruined villages. It helps rebuild the scattered pile of brick and stone they once called home. It brings back to the hopeless mother's arms her long-lost child.

It helps care for the orphans of the men who died that civilization might live. It helps care for thousands that have fallen a prey to the dread tuberculosis. It nobly represents in deeds of mercy, relief, and restoration the more than twenty million members that have made its great work possible.

Will you do your share to keep this "Hand of Mercy" at its Work?

THE RED FRONT DRUG STORE

## In No Man's Land

Have you ever lain in No Man's Land, with a shattered thigh and throat that burned with thirst?

Has your wife ever begged for food for her children and herself at the mess-kitchen of a soldiers' camp?

Has your little son ever torn his mother's heart with plaintive cry, day after day, for food she could not give him?

Has your little daughter, clad in a ragged dress, her only dress, ever shivered night after night in the ruined cellar of what was once her home?

Has your city ever destroyed—nay, powdered, bricks, stone, timbers and all so ground into the dust that one scarce knew where street ended and building began?

It is exactly such suffering that the Red Cross is organized, here and in Europe, to relieve.

The Red Cross asks for One Hundred Million Dollars as the least it needs to carry on this work.

Can you—dare you—refuse to give to this work—and give till the heart says stop?

THE SPUR DRUG COMPANY

### ANTELOPE DOTS.

Hello, Rambling Bill. I guess you think there is not such a place as Antelope, as we have been silent readers for so long, thinking that they would make an effort when Rambling Bill and School Girl got over their dispute, and quit talking over the 12-bell telephone. We actually thought may be it would rain if Antelope would visit our good editor through the mail.

The farmers around Antelope have their lands listed ready for planting which will begin soon as it rains. It was looking rainy this morning, but instead of getting rain we got a big sand storm—and it is awful, believe me. The sand is drifting now. If we don't get a rain this week I guess we will have to move out, but they are talking of holding a meeting at Steel Hill next week. I sure hope they will. I think we need something of the kind.

G. A. Willis sold part of his stock this week. He said he would have to sell the rest and move if it didn't rain soon.

Mrs. Iva Willis spent the day with Mrs. G. A. Willis Monday.

J. E. Willis sold his cows Monday.

The party at J. E. Willis' Saturday night was a success, every one present reporting a nice time, but we were sorry that the cowboys from Spur were disappointed. The report got out that it was to be a dance instead of a party, but our musicians did not come, so we didn't have a dance. Come again boys, and next time we will try our very best to have the music. But we are sorry to know that they were so long finding this out, but I don't think we could have another entertainment without them. No, come back, especially Ralph Good all.

Miss Nannie Clark failed to come to school this week on account of the mumps.

Miss Annie Willis and her chum, Miss Minnie Hooser, were at Lost Lake Sunday afternoon, and they claimed to have spent the afternoon very pleasantly and said that it was not going to be the last time. They certainly did appreciate Miss Nannie Clark's kindness toward them. They received introduction to several of her friends. We couldn't wonder at them for not wanting to come back to Lost Lake, for there are many cute boys here.

The flashlight the people have been seeing around Antelope has disappeared.

Mr. Joe Hooser I suppose has reached his destination by this time. He started to Camp Travis Saturday and was expected to arrive Monday. So Antelope is minus another boy. If the government keeps calling the boys will be very few around Antelope.

Mr. Miller is talking of leaving the country. Antelope and Lost Lake will hate to give up the family.

The Antelope school will close the 24th of May, and they are going to have a concert at the close of school. Everybody come and bring somebody with you. Now, you boys from the Rocking Chair Ranch, don't overlook this, and think it is going to be a dance, or you will be disappointed. They are very sorry you were disappointed the other night, and their musicians haven't entirely recovered—one was hrown from a horse and had a leg broken.

Mrs. R. E. Darden and family moved to their home near Girard, and she is now wanting her school at Antelope to close so she can spend happy hours at home with her little daughter, Clara Belle, and also her husband.

Mr. H. F. Morris and Mr. I. S. Gibson are now the new trustees of the Antelope school.

Mr. G. A. Willis and Mr. F. O. Taylor refused to serve another term as trustees of the school.

We hope Miss Nannie Clark will soon recover of the mumps, and return to her school.

Well as this is our first letter, and it isn't so very long, we will close. We don't know whether this will be printed or not, but thought we would try the good editor and see if he will be good to little—Fair Handed Isabel.

Buy bonds and read Texas Spur.

### FOR SALE.

Davenport, cost \$45.00, will take \$15.00.—Racket Store. 28-1f

W. S. S.

Did you know you must buy your Winter Coal Now?—Spur Grain & Coal Co., Spur, Texas 26-1f

## How Was The Last War Fund Spent?

It is a fair question—and it is fairly answered in the detailed and itemized reports that have been published in the news papers of every town and city of the land.

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It's not always a cheap way—"Needs must" costs money. But did you give that money to be saved—or to save lives? Are you not willing to pay five dollars or fifty dollars to bring something of comfort to a war racked, tortured mortal who but for you would surely die? And of one thing you may be sure. Not one penny of that Hundred Million has gone for Anything but War Relief.

In the Red Cross there is no high salaried bureaucracy, no extravagant administration expense. All of the higher officials and nine-tenths of the workers are unpaid volunteers. Your Red Cross needs another Hundred Million to lighten just a little of the awful load of misery "over there."

Will You Hold up Your End?

ALLIED RESTAURANT & BAKERY

## You Love Your Country

You're a regular red-blooded, true-blue American. You love your country. You love that flapping, snapping old flag. Your heart thumps hard when the troops tramp by. You're loyal—100 per cent. You intend to—you want to—help win the war in a hurry. "Sacrifice? Sure," you've been thinking. "Just you wait till they really need it." And you've honestly thought you meant that too. But look yourself in the eye, now, and search up and down inside of your heart—did you mean it? Did you really mean "Sacrifice?" Listen: You feel poor. This third Liberty Loan, the high prices, the Income Tax—you've done your bit. You feel that you've given all that you can spare. What? Then what did you mean? What's that you said about loving your country? What did you think didn't mean, did you, to give only what you can spare? What about our boys who are giving their lives in the trenches? Are they giving only what they can "spare?" How about those mothers and little kiddies in the shell-wrecked towns of that war-swept hell—hungry—ragged—sobbing—alone? Giving up their homes, their husbands, fathers.

Come, come! Let's quit fooling ourselves. Let us learn what "sacrifice" means. Let's give more than we can spare—let us "give till the heart says stop."

JOPLING BROTHERS



## ANOTHER GOOD INVESTMENT

We paid out some Red Cross money a while back. Paid it out and forgot it. That's how much it hurt. Might not be a bad idea to have a look at what that money has been doing.

That money went, dollar for dollar, to where it did a full day's work, wherever it was.

Three cents of it may have had the honor of disinfecting with iodine the three torn wounds of an American soldier on the French front. Or it may have had the less noble purpose of pinning a warm flannel belly-band around six-year-old Antoine out back of Noyon.

No use—we can't figure this Red Cross task in cents' worth.

There's the whole path of ruin from Belgium to Switzerland, just to visualize one thing at a time. If your Red Cross money went there it very likely provided pots and pans, food and clothes, beds and blankets, for the repatriated people.

Three years ago these people were prosperous and contented—self-respecting, steady, saving, hard-working, everyday, small-town citizens.

Now they have the "earth under them and the sky over them"—not one thing else.

It's for you to say whether this great work of mercy shall stop.

And it's your dollars that must answer.

SPUR HARDWARE & FURNITURE CO.  
"The Satisfactory Store."

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THE SPOT CASH GROCERY

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#### ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR DICKENS COUNTY OFFICES

The Texas Spur is authorized to make the following announcements for offices, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary election to be held in July

For Sheriff and Tax Collector:

G. L. BARBER  
B. G. FORD  
W. P. SAMPSON  
J. O. YOPP  
S. THOMP. JOHNSON  
F. R. HARRINGTON

For County and District Clerk:

MARTIN GAY  
(Re-election)

For Tax Assessor:

G. B. JOPLING  
(Re-election)  
FRANK SPEER

For County Judge:

WALTER L. POWELL  
(Re-election)

For County Treasurer:

D. A. YOUNG  
STEPHEN R. AUSTIN  
C. H. PERRY  
FRED HISEY

For Commissioner, Precinct 3:

J. J. ALBIN  
W. A. JOHNSON  
(Re-election)

G. W. RASH

D. J. GILBERT

J. H. BOOTHE

For County Commissioner, Precinct 1:

RUSH McLAUGHLIN

For County Commissioner, Precinct 4:

W. L. THANISCH

**LOST HORSES**—One red roan, and one blue roan mares, and small roach-mane bay horse, one mare is branded 7 on left shoulder. These horses are being followed by small mule. Reasonable reward.—J. M. Allen, Spur, Texas. 28-2tp

Get your Kodaks and Films at the Red Front Drug Store. tf

J. T. Smart, of Rotan, spent a day or two this week in Spur with his son, V. C. Smart and wife. He reports the rain at Rotan about equal to that of Spur.

—W. S. S.—

G. W. Jackson, Mayor of Highland, dropped into the Texas Spur office the first of the week. He had not yet fully decided whether or not he would enter the campaign for sheriff, but said that he was considering the matter seriously, already being assured of one vote—since the women will be permitted to participate in the coming election.

—W. S. S.—

Mrs. F. W. Jennings returned last week from Lake Charles, La., where she spent several days with her sister.

—W. S. S.—

Mrs. Arnold, of Lueders, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. H. Busby.

—W. S. S.—

Miss Zada Stafford, who recently underwent an operation in Dallas, returned home last week. fi

—W. S. S.—

W. W. Buckner, of McAdoo, recently advertised in the Texas Spur for a lost harrow. He found the harrow. It pays to advertise in the Texas Spur.

—W. S. S.—

Mr. Beard, of near McAdoo, was in Spur Tuesday.

—W. S. S.—

G. A. Howsley, who has been spending several weeks with his family at Albany, returned this week to Spur.

—W. S. S.—

Harry Cates and wife, of Dallas, are in Spur visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Cates. Harry married last December, and we extend him our heartiest congratulations.

## The Greatest Mother in The World

Stretching forth her hands to all in need; to Jew or Gentile, black or white; knowing no favorite, yet favoring all.

Ready and eager to comfort at a time when comfort is most needed. Helping the little home that's crushed beneath an iron hand, by showing mercy in a healthy, human way; re-building it, in fact, with stone on stone; replenishing empty bins and empty cupboards; bringing warmth to hearts and hearths too long neglected.

Seeing all things with a mother's seventh sense that's blind to jealousy and meanness and seeing men in their true light as naughty children—snatching, biting, bitter—but with a hidden side that's quickest touched by mercy.

Reaching out her hands across the sea to No Man's Land to cheer with warmer comforts thousands who must stand and wait in stench and crawling holes and watersoaked entrenchments where cold and wet bite deeper, so they write, than the Boche steel or lead.

She's warming thousands, feeding thousands, healing thousands from her store; the Greatest Mother in the World—the Red Cross.

Your help is needed—give till the heart says stop!

C. EARYL SENNING  
Insurance, Loans, Bonds.

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SPUR GRAIN & COAL COMPANY  
Grain, Hay and Coal.



# Wood Cutting Prohibited On Spur Lands!

Notice is Hereby Given That Any Person Who Cuts Wood of Any Kind Whatever From Any of Our Lands Any Where Now or Hereafter will Be Prosecuted to the Fullest Extent of the Law Without Favor or Consideration

**IN** Some localities in past years, the lands have been shamefully cut over, regardless of our rights, and those of purchasers of land not occupied. Many otherwise honest men, have come to think that what others have done, without a penalty resulting, they can also do, and there is an increasing disposition to appropriate wood wherever it can be found, no matter to whom it belongs. This must and will be stopped. We must protect the people who have already bought Spur Lands, and those who will hereafter buy them, from this wood cutting.

Some people pretend to think there is no objection to it. This is, therefore, public notice that no one has our permission to cut, saw, grub, break down or gather wood of any kind whatever from our lands anywhere, and that prosecution will certainly follow trespassers hereafter without favor.

## S. M. Swenson And Sons

CLIFFORD B. JONES, Manager

SPUR, DICKENS COUNTY, TEXAS.

### Say, Let's Swat Old Bill Kaiser

By buying a **LIBERTY LOAN BOND** of the  
the Third Liberty Loan and be 100  
per cent American.

And if you need anything in the Automobile line we would be glad to serve you. Our place is open day and night for your convenience and can fill your wants on short notice. We carry in stock a complete line of Goodyear, Federal and U. S. casing and tubes, can also fill your wants in Goodyear Cord Casing. Complete line of Ford parts and Auto Accessories.

Oxy-Acetylene Welding, Auto Repair Work. Give Us A Trial. We Need Your Business and Will Do Our Best to Please.

### The Highway Garage

J. A. KOON, Manager.

Ed Ellis is in Spur spending some timewith his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Ellis.

Mrs. Leslie Williams, of Waco, is in Spur visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Ellis.



#### OUR REPUTATION

For Square dealing stands back of every foot of lumber we sell. It must give satisfaction to the purchaser, whether he be a contractor ordering thousands of feet of lumber or a small purchaser.

**BRAZELTON LUMBER COMP'Y**

D. R. Selmon returned last week from Hot Springs, Ark., where he had been "boiling" the past two weeks. He claims to have brought back the rain—and we wish he would go and come again.

Say, Tom, Whar you gwine? Ise gwine down to the Allied Bakery and Restaurant to get something to eat. They keep the best of everything.

Miss Winnifred Mace, daughter of Prof. and Mrs. Mace, is in Spur visiting young lady friends. Prof. Mace was formerly superintendent of the Spur Schools, and is now living in Dallas.

## 3-UNMATCHABLE, UNBEATAPL PARGAINS-3

THE LOVE DRY GOODS CO. PLACE ON SALE THIS WEEK  
3 SPECIALS, UNBEATABLE IN VALUE AND IN QUALITY!!

NO. 1—Consists of a line of Mens Spring Suits, Strauss Bros. High Art Clothes, a line without any superiors, made to sell at \$15.00. When you see the Clothes, if you Can't see \$15 in them we wont ask you to buy them—they speak for themselves. These welldress-ed fellows you see around are wearing these clothes.

This Weeks's Special, 8 styles, choice ..... \$9.95

NO. 2—One big asortment in Ladies Low Shoes, pattent, vici or gun metal. We have the Mary Jane new lace Oxfords, low heels, also the high heel dress Pumps or Saldals, all sizes. The Shoes are strictly in the \$4.50 and \$5.00 class. If they don't convince you of this statement pass them by at this price—they must be their own salesman. They are Extraordinary Values, choice ..... \$3.50

NO. 3—Take our advice and buy your Summ erDress Materials without delay. We here offer you 25 styles, latest designs and col-orings in Lawns and Batiste. These gods are really worth 25c yd. Calico today is worth 22c, mill price. Reason this thing out! Just think what we are offering you here while it lasts. A Special A-mong Specials, ..... 15 Cents a Yard.

Bring your Cash where Cash Meets its Equal—Trade where your Cash Goes Further, Where You Get your Moneys Worth Every Time or Money Back. Trade for Cash Should be Your Motto!!

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### NOTICE TO THE CITIZENS OF SPUR.

I have just finished making an inspection of the sanitary condition of our city, and find in most parts that the proprietors of our hotels, boarding houses, restaurants, confectioneries and cold drink stands are endeavoring to keep their premises in a cleanly condition, yet there are in some instances room for improvement. We are insistent, and are sure that our citizens will cooperate

with us, in keeping our premises clean. The hot weather is now coming on and with it the house fly, and which, like the Hun, carries sickness, suffering and death in his wake. The great future in the strategy of warfare against this invader is perfect sanitation. Let's all take a personal interest in this war—not only for our own physical condition, but for the security of the health of the people of our city, and to this end will ask that closets, sinks, livery barns, wag-

## MONEY TO LOAN ON LAND

Vendor's Lien Notes  
Bought or Taken up.....

E. J. COWAN, SPUR, TEXAS  
Office in the Cowan Building

## T. J. Love, Roaring Springs, Texas

FARM LOANS,  
BUY VENDOR'S LIEN NOTES  
COURTEOUS SERVICE  
PROMPT METHODS.  
Representing Walter Darlington.

## The Westside Barber Shop

W. P. SIMPSON, Proprietor  
Solicits Your Patronage and Guarantees Satisfaction  
Good Workmen, Hot and Cold Baths, Good Service

## ..J. P. SIMMONS..

Drayman and Agent for Pierce-Fordice Oil Ass'n.  
Heavy and light hauling. All work guaranteed.  
Residence Telephone 80

on yards, hog pens, poultry yards, private cow and horse lots be cleaned up, using lime in closets, etc., and having the debris hauled out to the dumping grounds, coal oil and burn all cans emptied of food stuff. Put old cans in boxes or barrels and keep covered with fly-proof screen until taken to the dumping grounds, and that the Mayor and Commissioners of the city designate a day soon as "clean up day" and everybody become interested in this move of bettering the sanitary condition of the city. I will thank you for every effort and cooperation in this endeavor.

Respectfully,  
J. H. GRACE,  
City Health Officer.

NOTICE—We buy Folding Beds and all kinds of Old Furniture and Stoves.—Racket Store. 23tf

## RED CROSS MONEY AIDS 350,000 MEN IN THE SOUTHWEST

REPORT ON WORK IN CAMPS AND CANTONMENTS SHOWS HOW CASH IS SPENT.

### PROMPT WORK SAVES LIVES

Twenty Thousand Blankets Rushed to Camp Bowie When Men Suffered for Lack of Bedding  
—No Red Tape Here.

Sweaters worth \$1,250,000 have been given to soldiers in Southwestern camps and cantonments by the Red Cross since the mobilization of the National army was begun.

This information is contained in a report made to the Washington headquarters of the American Red Cross by Stanley Stoner, director of military relief for the Southwestern division of the organization.

Stoner's report is proof positive of the support the Red Cross is giving the War Department in fitting American soldiery for winning the war. That no other agency outside the War Department itself is so potent a factor to that end is recognized and admitted generally. Every supporter of the Red Cross well may feel that he or she actually is helping to save the world for democracy and to crush the unspeakable house of Hohenzollern.

The report made by Director Stoner shows that 230,000 sweaters were distributed up to Feb. 1 to soldiers in eight large camps and cantonments, several smaller camps and to the army which constantly is on guard on the Mexican border. But sweaters were only one of 200 items provided. It was impossible for the War Department to foresee many requirements of the soldiers, and in many instances, when necessity arose for supplies of different kinds, it was impossible to get army requisitions through fast enough to handle the situation. Field directors in the different camps, always on the alert for such emergencies and armed with authority to spend money freely when necessity arose, stepped in and provided whatever was needed for the comfort and well-being of the men.

From Spoons to Automobiles.

In addition to the sweaters, 44,370 mufflers were distributed. Other items were as follows: Socks, 56,373; blankets, 1,160; wristlets, 27,854; helmets, 5,109; Christmas packages, 116,657; automobiles, 4; comforts, 7,339. The automobiles were touring cars necessary for the proper transportation of sick soldiers from their quarters to hospitals. Nearly 600,000 items, 571,925 to be exact, were distributed. Their diversity is illustrated by the following list taken from Director Stoner's report: Towels, pajamas, comfort kits, playing cards, tooth brushes, tooth paste, condensed milk, oil heaters, drugs, bed sheets, pillow cases, rubber gloves, soup, foot powder, shoes, magazines, books, slippers, wash cloths, bath robes, hot-water bottles, window curtains, bath rugs, ice picks, egg beaters, spoons, electric plates, knives, spoons, gowns, apples, oranges, lemons, nuts, foot warmers, rubber sheets, ice bags, boilers, bedroom slippers, gloves, ear muffs, dominoes, rubber sheets, cots, auto trucks, fly swatters, soup strainers, pneumonia jackets, chickens, dish rags, combs, Victrola, quilts.

And wherever the Red Cross is at work in these camps, which means all of them, soldiers are praising it. They call it "Uncle Sam's right-hand man," which tells the story well enough and true.

## If You Were There Instead of Here

If you should see a French child—a tiny girl—sitting by the roadside, sobbing quietly because she is too weak from hunger to cry very loud, you would sell your watch to buy her breakfast.

If you should hear somewhere in the restless wards the low moan of an American soldier, you would gladly sit by him all night, if that would save his life.

You are not there but here, where these sights and sounds are not brought home to you! But the Red Cross is there—you can make it your representative.

Over there the Prussians are crucifying the incarnate Liberty of Man, and they are making the world black for little children.

The money you give the Red Cross now will give you the right, when the Beast is beaten down, to think. "There are happy children, clear-eyed women and strong men alive today, because my money went across!"

What are you going to do about it?

THE SANITARY BARBER SHOP  
W. S. Rone, Proprietor

### GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY

Let all remember President Wilson's proclamation calling on men, women and children throughout the United States to go to Sunday school and church next Sunday.

Sunday school at 10 a. m. Subject for eleven o'clock sermon: "Our Mothers." Seats reserved for all mothers. Bring the babies. Mrs. Carl Patton will sing at the morning service.

At night you are urged to be present. At 8:45 Rev. Geo. F. Fair will preach a sermon especially to the older people. Rev. Fair is seventy five years young. Be present and bring your friends.—E. E. White, Pastor.

### MARES AND MULES TO SELL.

I have good mares and mules to sell either for the cash or for good notes. See me at once if in need of mares or mules.—A. B. Morgan, Spur 27tf

—W. S. S.—

Strayed or Stolen—2-year old heifer, red, branded MC on right hip, marked spit the right and crop the left ear. \$5 reward if returned to M. C. West, south of Spur. 28-3t

—W. S. S.—

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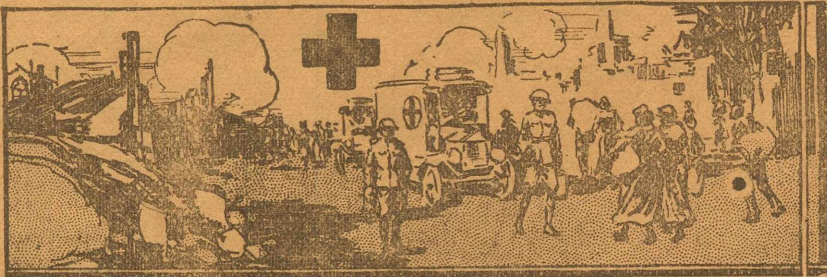
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THE WESTERN GRAIN & COAL CO.  
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## THE HEROISM OF MERCY

By OPIE READ



There is no greater heroism than the heroism of mercy. There is no truer bravery than the bravery of tenderness. Out of the crash of nation against nation arises a Christ-like sympathy, and the insignia of its tenderness is the cross of red. It is the only remaining glow of a Christian hope. It is religion under shell fire. It is a sigh set to the music of sympathetic action. If a man who speaks truth should say to you, "With the use of five dollars you can save a useful life, alleviate a hundred nights of pain," you would grant him the money. You would not feel that you had lost, but gained.

This is what the Red Cross says to you: "Give of your safe and secure substance and I will sooth pain. I will gather up men, heroes who have been shot to the earth, and housing them I will nurse them back to life. For myself I ask no recompense. My reward is my conscience. My applause is restoring man to his family."

Hearing these words and feeling that they are true, would you hesitate to open your purse, whose contents were gathered in times of peace?

The Red Cross appeals to you personally. To you it opens its merciful heart and begs you for assistance. The cutting down of one luxury a day would mean a soothing tenderness on the red fields of France.

## RED CROSS WORK IN CIVILIAN RELIEF FULL OF ROMANCE

PATHOS ALSO IS MIXED WITH  
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TION SOLVES DAILY.

### NO RED TAPE AND NO DELAY

Soldiers and Their Dependents Made to  
Feel That They Are Entitled to  
Assistance and It Is Ex-  
tended Cheerfully.

One division of the Red Cross about which little is known is that of Civilian Relief. It bears that name to distinguish it from the Military Relief, but the work it does is closely akin to military relief because it always has a khaki-clad figure in the background if not directly to the fore.

The Civilian Relief Division is primarily aimed to help the soldiers in their private affairs, to aid them by aiding their families, to relieve mental distress and to solve domestic problems so that the soldier can proceed about his task of winning the war without being bothered by thinking of what is happening at home.

The importance of the work of civilian relief is readily understood when one knows what it does. When the next call for soldiers is made every one of the hundreds of thousands of young men who are called from their homes will receive a letter from the Red Cross. This letter will say, in effect:

"Is there anything we can do for you? Are there any questions concerning insurance, allotment of pay, provisions for those left behind that we can answer? Do you want advice? Call on us and we will help you."

#### Local Addresses Given.

These letters will give the local addresses and the names of those having the work in charge. These individuals have been furnished with handbooks explaining in detail all the rules and regulations of the government on the subjects interesting to the recruits, and, armed with these handbooks, the Red Cross worker can answer as correctly as the Attorney-General of the United States. This information is given fully and without charge.

On his arrival at camp the recruit finds notices posted giving the name and location of the camp headquarters of the Red Cross, and he is invited to write or call if he has any troubles. The persons in charge of these camp offices are trained social workers, sympathetic and of a character inspiring confidence. The soldier tells his troubles and advice is tendered and assistance is given if it is needed. When the interview closes the Red Cross person asks:

"Is there anything else we can do for you?"

That question, with its "anything else," often brings out the real purpose of the visit, a purpose that diffidence or some other feeling may have kept unspoken. When the "something else" is mentioned it is often a matter that the Red Cross finds easily adjusted, a trifle in itself but of vast importance to the persons most concerned.

#### Tragedy of the War Brides.

In the towns adjacent to every camp and cantonment are scores of relatives of young soldiers who have followed to be near their loved ones as long as possible. Often a bride follows her husband, only to find that his stay in the camp is about completed, his period of training is over and he is leaving for the front. Living in these camp towns is expensive, the population has doubled or trebled within a few months, rents are high and the cost of food soon exhausts the slender means the bride brought with her.

Perhaps she is looking forward with mingled feelings of joy and anxiety for the advent of a little stranger who may never see his soldier father. Perhaps she married against the advice of her parents—girls are prone to do that sort of thing—and does not like to appeal to her relatives. What can she do?

She can come to the Red Cross and tell her story, and right there her anxiety may end. The Red Cross will communicate with her relatives and with the relatives of her husband who has started for the front, from which he may never return. These relatives are urged to make some trifling sacrifices on the altar of civilization and patriotism. They usually respond quickly to the call.

Should the relatives fail the local chapter of the Red Cross in the town from which the soldier came is notified and assistance is asked. With a few more case needing assistance the

## WE'LL WIN

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What does all this mean to you? And that is but a fraction of the work your Red Cross has done and is doing. It means that without this ceaseless, heroic work of the American Red Cross we could never win this war.

Without your Red Cross quick, and vital help to keep Italy in the fight for Liberty would not have been possible.

Without your Red Cross thousands of French soldiers now gallantly fighting for you at the front would have died of their wounds, exposure and lack of food.

And great and wonderful as has been the work of the American Red Cross in the past, still greater and more wonderful it must be in the future—for now your boy is in the fight.

Your Red Cross can not neglect France, England, Italy, Serbia, Roumania and little Belgium. It must give them all constantly increasing help, for the men of these countries have been fighting our battles.

But now we must all redouble our effort and sacrifices for our Red Cross because a million mothers' sons are going to carry the stars and stripes to the greatest victory God has ever given to men fighting for honor and liberty. With the help of your Red Cross your boy will win.

FRENCH RUBY CAFE & ROOMING  
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Local chapter never has any trouble in raising funds to care for the expectant mother.

#### Assistance Is Certain.

But if relatives and local chapter fail the Red Cross does not fail, and financial relief is extended—not as a charity but as a right, as something for which the soldier at the front is paying with his time, his body and perhaps his life. The young wife is able to write to him and tell him that she is all right, that he need not worry.

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We carry a complete line of  
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ICE—We will start our ice wagon May 1st. Ice can be had from the wagon or at the Meat Market. No ice books will be had this year. Our prices this year will be 75c per hundred pounds, or 80c per hundred cut. Let us serve you.—Spur Ice Co. 27-16

#### W. S. S.

Dwarf Seed Maize to sell at \$2.00 per hundred in head.—W. P. T. Smith

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WE HAVE ONE 83-OVERLAND AND TWO FORDS,  
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DRY LAKE ITEMS.

Smile, smile! Everybody's all smiles on account of the rains which started Thursday night of last week and continued at intervals till Sunday mornig. Now everybody can work.

Mrs. Lilly entertained the little children of the Card Class Sunday with a picnic and dinner on the ground, but aims to have it over again as only a few could be present this time.

Singing Sunday night at Bob Davis and all report a nice time.

W. A. Johnson and family were the guests of R. T. Dopson and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude James visited N. C. Kidd and family Sunday. Grand ma James returned home with them.

W. C. Barley and family, Jeff Smith and family, N. C. Kidd's family and Mrs. Jim Smith, W. P. T. Smith and wife, Clifford Barley and wife, all went fishing last Thursday on Blanco Canyon. Now talk of your fish sories, but that's all we got—was the stories—we didn't get any fish.

Another car in the community—Mr. Ed Hufstedler has purchased a jitney.

Mrs. Smith and Burren Smith and wife were business visitors in Spur Monday and also looking over the telephone lines.

Mrs. Bob English and children, of the Highway community, visited relatives, Mr. English and family, Monday.

Mr. Bob English and father were in Spur Monday buying feed and other supplies.

LONELY GIRL.

GILPIN.

and Mrs. W. B. Bennett made to Spur Saturday.

and Mrs. Warren McCombs, and Mrs. D. D. Hagins and Mrs. Nerlin were called to the bed of heir mother, Mrs. A. J. Har- ofn ear Jayton, who is danger- sick at this writing.

and Mrs. P. E. Hagins and son- made a trip to Spur Monday.

and Mrs. Cecil Bennett, of took dinner at the home of his , Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Bennett, week.

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and Mrs. L. L. Arnold for a at their home Saturday night. r. and Mrs. Buster Bural, of the

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# Luce & Brannen

N. G. Brannen

Duck Creek settlement, attended the fruit supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Lee.

Mrs. B. F. Bural, of the Duck Creek country, visited her daughter, Mrs. Donnie McDonnels of near Girard.

Miss Marie Willis and brother, Jno. A., took dinner with Miss Audrie Tatum recently.

Week before last The Texas Spur went astray and has not reached Gilpin yet.

Farmers here have failed to get much benefit from the last rain. Not much grass nor anything else. North- ers and sand storms are the order of the day.—School Girl.

FOR SALE—Fort Worth Well Machine, 6-horse engine, good shape. Will sell or trade.—Geo. Renfro. 26f

—W. S. S.—

We carry the best coal that can be bought. Give us your order.—Spur Grain & Coal Co., Spur, Texas. 26tf

THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE.

English is defined as the "language of England, or heir English descendants in India, America and other countries." The name is derived from a "plain or level country"—and we must admit the English language stands four-square-level and easy among the languages and races of the earth. The language has roots in both Roman and Welsh, as the Welsh retains the significance of the oriental word from which Rome is derived. directly rooted in Latin. How proud then should the Christian world be in the evolved and polished supremacy of the English language in all the earth. How beautiful to absorb and realize a language that makes the whole world kin? How beautiful the progression of the language of the races of man in this illustration? Hence, the trend of civilization is here beautifully illustrated by reason of the fact that the Anglo Saxon or English language has been so wonderfully Americanized and Christianized within the last century.

In order to see where we are going and coming out at we must read human history by epochs, and realize which is best, stable and just. Then to us it appears that in the great future the English language will dominate the world, as American and English achievement has utilized, Christianized and democratized the world.

The end is not yet, but rapidly coming, when Romanism, autocracy and monarchy are destroyed.

F. N. Oliver.

FOR SALE

5 Sewing Machines, in good shape, less than half price.—Racket Store.

—W. S. S.—

HIGHWAY ITEMS.

Well, I will come again, as I feel much more like sweet sixteen this morning than I do forty one and a half years, eight months, seven weeks and four days, nine hours and fifteen minutes old.

I didn't feel like writing last week Some said I was just putting on account of gravel hauling. Mary, the cok, said "she was quite sure it wasn't what we had to eat, but rather what we didn't have to eat" that made me sick.

Mother says I am a bit angry when she fails to serve my "favorite dish", and believe me, that certainly is regular now-a-days. But that mother should not have spoiled me so, just because I was the oldest and youngest child and the only pet in the home. Mother used to talk about when son gets married, but she's cut all that

for, where is there a country that is worth living in that is not worth building up, For if there ever was a time when we should stand as one and all work together for the welfare of each and every one, it is now. Any way, we hope Miss Adams will be kind enough to visit us in the future.

Some one heard Elmer Denson and Ruby Howze say, "that school had closed so soon at Highway that they believed they would finish their schooling this year at Jayton. We wonder why,

Miss Laura Maye Albin spent last week with her aunt, Mrs. J. K. Albin, of near Spur.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hawkins have moved out of our community the past week. We hope they will enjoy living near Red Mud.

Mrs. C. W. Denson has sick children in their home this week.

Mr. J. N. Zumwalt had business in Spur Saturday.

Mr. J. J. Albin and family visited Mr. J. M. Howze and family Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Jess Peters and family of the Watson community visited Mr. L. A. McNeil and family Sunday and Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Lewis and family were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Adair Sunday.

We are sorry that Mr. Bob English's relative, who is visiting at his home, is reported ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Avery and little daughter visited Mr. and Mrs. Ben Finley Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Sloan visited at C. W. Wenson's Sunday.

Sunday school Sunday morning was largely attended. All present enjoyed the lesson.

Singing last Sunday night at C. W. Denson's was enjoyed by all present.

We are proud that several of our boys have joined the home troop, and we are sure there will be some lonesome girls.

Lonsome Old Maid, o somewhere near Croton Breaks, I am most sure I have seen you at Spur several times, but you never seem to see me or any one else. I have tried several times to accidentally-a-purpose make your acquaintance, but in vain. No wonder your fellow went to the Civil war and never returned. Guess he thought there was no need of him coming back.

I thought maybe you were like myself—remained single by choice, but I am sure every one knows.

HIGHWAY SPORT.

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Did You Know That

It has established and is operating 20 dispensaries in the American Army Zone in France to care for the needy families and to improve health conditions in that section ready for our troops? It is housing and feeding thousands of children in the War Zone to keep them away from the danger of gas and shell fire? It has divided the entire War Zone into six main districts, with Red Cross Workers at each point to distribute cooking utensils, agricultural implements, beds, bedding, food and clothing? It provides builders and ready-to-put-up buildings to house the homeless in the devastated regions, often before the walls of the destroyed homes have cooled?

It is bringing over two hundred tons of supplies every day in Paris, from which 125 tons are reshipped to branch warehouses over France? It is providing an artificial limb factory outside of Paris, in addition to special plants for making splints?

What will you give to keep this Hand of Mercy at its Work?

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### LOST LAKE NEWS.

We were present at a good sand storm Thursday, and which made our farmers look blue.

Mrs. Mamie Fletcher of Spur is visiting her mother of Girard this week.

Mrs. Odonald, of Jayton, is visiting Mrs. Jim White this week.

Mr. Tom Price left Friday for Jayton, and something happens every time he goes down there since his mother has to send for him before she gets him back. You can't blame Tom, though.

Mr. Buck Phillips and Miss Myrtle Miller were at church Sunday.

Miss Aline Cowser was at church Sunday.

Miss May Hahn was also present at church Sunday.

Mr. Ray Clark, who has been sick, is not able to be out at this time, we are so sorry to note.

Mr. Ben Merchant is away this week.

Miss Mamie Murdock, who has been gone two weeks, has returned home.

Some of the young ladies are worrying because Ben Merchant has volunteered for service in the National Guards. Cheer up. There is also a cause why worrying may be useless.

Mr. Jack Price is going to have to buy another pair of shoes or have those he has half-soled if he don't quit walking up to Mr. Murdock's so often. I think he had as well take down his sign, since Mr. Merchant seems to be far ahead of him.

Mrs. P. P. Waldon, a Holiness preacher, will preach at Lost Lake the first Sunday in May. Everybody is invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Shorty Hodges, returned this week from the oil fields.

Mr. Walter Driggers has quit going with the old maids and is now taking care of the babies. He was seen Sunday with three or four in the buggy with him.

Now listen, Mrs. Hagins, you had better watch out. Walter will sure rob your cradle.

I know I had rather be at Lost Lake floating on a log, than to be up at Duck Creek put up a tree like a dog.

Listen, Lonesome Old Maid, you said your fellow went off to war. I guess you know John Demcie. He has moved up close to Red Hill.

Mrs. John Goodall was out at church Sunday.

Misses Myrtle and Betie Price and Mrs. John Goodall left Monday for Abilene where they will attend college.

Miss Zillie Gilbert is very sad. Mr. J. T. Stradley has volunteered in the National Guards. She says she is going to put on her black bonnet, and no more pleasures for her. Zillie, you shouldn't worry that way. Cheer up. We must win the war. My sweetheart has gone and my widower may have to go, but I can give them up to win the war, and I will never put on my black bonnet—I will try my best to get a soldier after the war. Of course, we hate to see them go, and many a tear will be shed, but there was never a boy to go but that some one didn't love and care for him. If he did not have a sweetheart that loved him, he has a mother, sisters and brothers who love him. Many boys have had to go, and one had just as well go as another, for they are all loved by some one, so we must stand it the best we can—but we must win the war, and before it ends we may think sweethearts sure enough.

Miss Jeanett Wade and Miss Fay heart, of Clairemont, were in town Saturday.

Mr. Roy Clark was seen in town Saturday.

The party given at the home of Mr. John Willis Saturday night was largely attended, and every one seemed to enjoy the occasion.

Mr. Ralph Goodall, of Girard, was present at the party and seemed very much surprised.

We are sorry to hear that Miss Nannie Clark is on the sick list this week. From the appearance of her face Sunday, some thought she had the mumps.—We haven't learned yet.

Miss Annie Williams and Miss Minnie Hooser, of Antelope, attended church at Lost Lake Sunday.

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Without your Red Cross thousands of French soldiers now gallantly fighting for you at the front would have died of their wounds, exposure and lack of food.

And great and wonderful as has been the work of the American Red Cross in the past, still greater and more wonderful it must be in the future—for now your boy is in the fight.

Your Red Cross can not neglect France, England, Italy, Serbia, Roumania and little Belgium. It must give them all constantly increasing help, for the men of these countries have been fighting our battles.

But now we must all redouble our efforts and sacrifices for our Red Cross because a million mothers' sons are going to carry the stars and stripes to the greatest victory God has ever given to men fighting for honor and liberty. With the help of your Red Cross your boy will win.

### LUCE & BRANNEN

Mr. and Mrs. John Murdock have returned from Jayton, stating that they had a very pleasant time while in Jayton.

Miss Pollie Murdock must be having a good time since she is staying in Jayton so long. Jayton must be a good place.

Mr. B. Stanley was at church Sunday and Sunday night.

Miss May Hahn, Miss Minnie Murdock and Miss Zillie Gilbert were in town Saturday.

Messrs. J. T. Stradley, Fray Coaston and Harvie Laster, who volunteered in the National Guards, will leave Monday. Their many friends here will miss them and hate to give them up, but duty calls them and they say they must go and want to

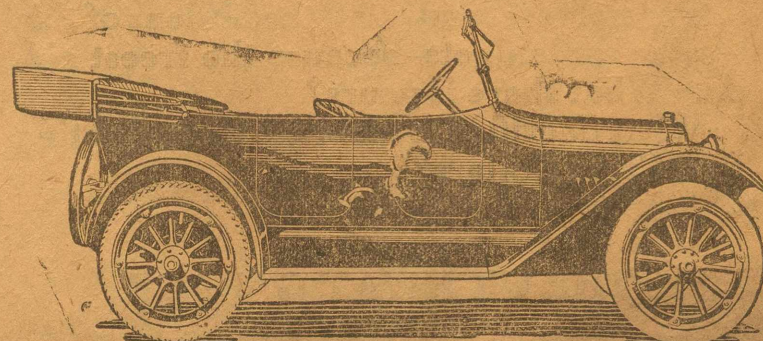
go. We all wish them all kinds of good luck and hope they will return soon. We hope that God will watch over them, and may they be permitted to return as they left, but if not may God bless them and save them. If they don't come back they will go to a better world than this one. May God bless them and all the soldier boys.—Blue Eyes.

### NOTICE.

Four, six and eight dollars gets a good Kitchen Safe.—Racket Store. tf

—W. S. S.—

War bread, Pies, Cakes, etc. at the Allied Bakery & Restaurant.



THE CAR FOR ENDURANCE AND FOR ECONOMY

DAVIS & EDMONDS

D. T. B.



## THEY DIED IN FRANCE

First of the American Army—they died in France! Gresham! Enright! Hay! They died for us. And willingly! But not, pray God, in vain!

For the sake of them, if for no other reason, will you not give to the Red Cross to care for the men that follow them?

For the sake of what they died for, will you not give—and give till the heart says stop?

None of us here can give as greatly as they gave and as others are yet to give. But can we not sacrifice ourselves a little? Will you take a little from the comforts of your life and give, not a mere "conscience gift" that salves your pride and lets you say to yourself: "I have given to the Red Cross"—but a gift that cuts down into the quick and hurts because it makes you deny yourself?

Remember—they gave till they died!

When in Need of Mens' Wear see  
HOGAN & PATTON  
"The Mans Store."

## YOUR RED CROSS FIGHTING DOLLARS

Your Army and Navy fights to make the "World Safe for Democracy." Your Red Cross fights to make it fit for Democracy.

Fights for your soldiers—yours and your allies—in trench, canteen and hospital.

Fights for the little children, to save them for the nations' upbuildings of tomorrow. Fights for the swarms of homeless, dazed refugees and "repatriates" thrown out from the war's black whirlpool.

Fights the white plague, tuberculosis, that takes a greater toll than lead and steel. Fights in every war stricken country to uphold a wrecked and suffering humanity in its struggle for a free existence.

One Hundred Million Dollars to "Carry on." No power of taxation, no interest rate to urge those dollars. Each one a volunteer, sent willingly and by the heart.

The noblest fund of all the billions of this war's vast budgets—because the freest given. What share is yours?

What Sacrifice to mobilize those fighting Red Cross Dollars?

THE HIGHWAY GARAGE  
J. A. KOON, Manager

### ANOTHER BIG HUN DRIVE IS MOMENTARILY EXPECTED

There has been little change in the news of the war during the week, only that the allied armies seem to be holding the Huns down pending their preparations for another big drive which is now momentarily expected.

American reinforcements are being rushed to the battle lines, and although their numbers may be limited they are expected to play an important part in the battles from this day until the close of the war.

No one knows how long this war will continue, but it is an admitted fact that the final result depends upon the assistance rendered by the United States Government. The aid that our government can render depends upon the people. This is a real war, and one which will call for real sacrifices on the part of every individual before it is possible to win. There is absolutely no question of the loyalty of the American people. The greatest draw-back is in the fact that a great many people do not realize the seriousness of the situation, and feel safe in thinking that only a very short time will be required to rout the Huns. It is true that Germany is a small country, and there are a dozen nations and practically every country in the world against them. However, they have prepared for this war, and the allied armies have not yet been able to push them back on their own territory. Germany realizes now that her very life and future existence depends upon her winning the war, and we believe she has made up her mind to fight it out to the death. They need more men, money and provisions, and Americans must meet these needs, and they will do it. We are going to win the war when the people wake up, and not until then.

### SPURNATIONAL GUARDS NOW COMPLETELY ORGANIZED

The medical examiner for the Spur National Guards arrived Sunday and completed the examination of enlisted men, there being only eight or ten who were turned down.

The examiner stated that this troop of men were the very best physical men he had examined in his whole rounds.

The Spur country produces not only the best in agriculture and stock farming, but the best in men—and women too.

A freight train loaded with Swenson cattle, was wrecked Friday of last week near Swenson, and as a result the passenger train was delayed a whole day. Several cattle, we understand, were killed.

### DR. DALY, OF ABILENE

Will be in  
SPUR, MAY 24 AND 25.  
Practice Confined to the  
EYE, EAR, NOSE, AND  
THROAT

And Fitting of Glasses.  
Office at Standifer Hospital

### NOTICE

Dr. G. P. Stoker will be back in Spur May 20th. The Doctor has been to New Orleans taking Special Courses on the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat, and is now prepared to do all operations in this line. Eyes tested Free, and Glasses fitted at Patriotic Prices.

Over Spur National Bank  
Spur, Texas

## I'm Afraid That All I Can Spare

You're a regular red-blooded, true-blue American. You love your country. You love that flapping, snapping old flag. Your heart thumps hard when the troops tramp by. You're loyal—100 per cent. You intend to—you want to—help win the war in a hurry. "Sacrifice? Sure," you've been thinking. "Just you wait till they really need it." And you've honestly thought you meant that too. But look yourself in the eye, now, and search up and down inside of your heart—did you mean it? Did you really mean "Sacrifice?" Listen: You feel poor. This third Liberty Loan, the high prices, the Income Tax—you've done your bit. You feel that you've given all that you can spare. What? Then what did you mean? What's that you said about loving your country? What did you think the word "Sacrifice" means? Surely you the word "Sacrifice" means? Surely you didn't mean, did you, to give only what you can spare? What about our boys who are giving their lives in the trenches? Are they giving only what they can "spare?" How about those mothers and little kiddies in the shell-wrecked towns of that war-swept hell—hungry—raged—sobbing—alone? Giving up their homes, their husbands, fathers.

Come, come! Let's quit fooling ourselves. Let us learn what "sacrifice" means. Let's give more than we can spare—let us "give till the heart says stop."

*Sol Davis*  
THE BEST IS THE CHEAPEST

## Only One Way To Give

There is only one way to give to the Red Cross—give till your heart says stop. A little contribution is only a slave to pride. This is not to say that contributions of only one dollar, or even of only one nickel, are not desired—and needed.

For you to give \$5 when you can give \$25—for you to give \$25 when you can give \$100, or to give \$100 when you can give \$500—is to dodge the heaviest obligation that this war has laid upon you.

For remember, this is not a charity—This is a Duty.

This is not a time to give because others give. This is a time to give because others need.

No man can tell you how much you ought to give. Except this: that "Over There" the need is so great that only by cutting to the quick, only by giving all that you think you can give and then more—only by giving not a little of your excess but much of it—only by taking from your own children and from your wife and from yourself, can the Needs of the men who are fighting for you and the Needs of the children of the men who have died for you be met.

Ask your own soul how much it should be!

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