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RUSSIANS DESTROY 6 GERMAN WARSHIPS

London, Oct. 17.—Russia is putting up a desperate fight in resisting the German naval encroachment in the Baltic Sea. The Russian navy has already taken a toll of at least six German naval vessels in the attack made by the Germans, according to official reports received from Petrograd.

Petrograd, Oct. 17.—A German dreadnaught struck a mine near Island Oesel last Friday, and was apparently damaged. After striking the mine the warship made for the coast under full head of steam, but its fate is unknown.

LONDON, Oct. 13.—Further evidence that the German submarine warfare is fast waning is given here today in the report that the German Minister of Marine von Capelles had tendered his resignation. This coupled with the fact that marine insurance has been decreased thirty-three per cent within the last few days London interprets it as good sign that submarine campaign has failed.

New York, Oct. 15.—News was received here today of the sinking of the Lewis Luckenbach, an American steamer. The steamer was submarined off a French coast by a German submarine. Nine of the crew are missing.

London, Oct. 15.—A German submarine torpedoed a steamer and killed one American and seriously wounded another American. The name of the steamer has not been given.

The submarine torpedoed the steamer and later attacked it as the men were leaving the doomed ship. Shells from the submarine killed the Americans and two Englishmen as they were leaving the steamer in life boats. Eight Englishmen were injured.

American Headquarters, Oct. 15.—Gen. Joffre visited the American army headquarters today and inspected the American troops. The men are in the pink of condition, and the allies are greatly encouraged by their presence in Europe.

J. R. Taylor and wife left Tuesday for Dallas, where they will attend the fair.

MRS. ANNETTE NEYNE FIGHTING FOR LIBERTY

Houston, Oct. 16.—Mrs. Annette Heynie, school teacher bride of five months, charged with the murder of her husband, will continue her fight for bond next Thursday before Justice Leon Lusk, when her examining trial is to be concluded. The young woman is now at liberty on \$5,000 bond, but Justice Lusk announced it was only temporary.

Mrs. Heynie's defense is apparently going to be that she was goaded to desperation by mistreatment received from her husband; that it preyed so much on her mind that she was not responsible for her act, when she shot her husband to death October 6 as he lay on his bed.

The woman whose married life is a wreck at the end of five months, was formerly Miss Annette Ash, country school teacher of Taylor county. Tom Heynie, aged 21, was born in Callahan county, but moved to Ovalo, Taylor county. He was a farmer, on land owned by his father. On May 13 of this year he married the young school teacher. He was a big strapping young man, weighing about 200 pounds, she a frail girl of 100 pounds.

After their marriage they resided with his parents until Oct. 1, when they separated. Heynie came to Houston and the next day the wife followed him here. He went to the home of his sister, Mrs. Fred Hammons, 741 East Tenth and a Half street, Studewood, to live. His wife went to the same place and apparently there was a reconciliation.

For two days they lived in apparent peace. On October 6 the husband was going to work for a garage. He awoke at 6 o'clock and told his wife he would get up and get breakfast. She said she would get the breakfast and the husband then dozed off to sleep again. She opened a suitcase, took from it a small pistol, which she had recently bought, and evidently first tried to shoot him in the head, but shot him through the ear. Another shot entered his abdomen and he died a few hours later from this wound.

When persons hearing the shot rushed into the room they found the wife sitting on the bed embracing the dying man and calling him endearing names.

The husband's body was taken back to Ovalo for burial, while the bride lay prostrate on a cot in the county jail. The deceased had one brother, W. F. Heynie, of Memphis, Texas, five sisters, Mrs. Fred Hammons, Houston; Mrs. W. W. Norris, Lawn; Mrs. F. D. Blake, Lubbock; Mrs. M. T. Askey,

PRISONER IN CUSTODY OF OFFICERS KILLED AT ANGELO

San Angelo, Oct. 15.—Wood Hargis shot and instantly killed Francisco Gomez, a Mexican prisoner, here at nine-thirty o'clock this morning.

Gomez was being arraigned for trial on charge of killing Dennis Hargis, a brother of Wood Hargis, and was in the custody of two officers when he was assassinated. The case had been called for trial and Judge Dubois instructed the sheriff to bring the prisoner into court. Two officers went to the jail and were bringing Gomez to the court house when Hargis walked up behind the prisoner and fired four bullets from a 38-calibre pistol into the Mexican's body. He dropped to the ground and died within a short time. Hargis surrendered to the officers and was placed in jail. Judge Dubois immediately reconvened the grand jury.

Gomez shot Dennis Hargis at a ranch near the county line of Tom Green and Concho on August 9th. A posse was formed and after several days Gomez was arrested near Blackwell, Coke county.

Dennis Hargis was killed when he went to a sheep camp where the Mexican was in charge of a bunch of sheep. It is alleged that Hargis and the Mexican had trouble several days before the killing, and when Hargis, in company with another party, started to the camp where the Mexican was, he went in the tent and came out with his gun and several shots were exchanged between Hargis and the Mexican.

San Angelo, Oct. 17.—The Tom Green county grand jury in special session Tuesday returned an indictment against Wood Hargis of Concho county charging him with killing Francisco Gomez, a Mexican, in this city Monday morning. The results of the grand jury's investigations were announced to the court Tuesday morning and Tuesday afternoon Judge James Cornell, on his own motion, transferred the case to Coleman county. When the indictment of the grand jury was read to the defendant in the court room this afternoon he entered a plea of not guilty and Judge Cornell announced the change of venue.

Francisco Gomez, a Mexican, charged with the killing of Dennis Hargis of Concho county in August, was on the way from the county jail to the district court room Monday morning when he was shot to death. He was to be tried for the killing of Dennis Hargis, a brother of Wood Hargis,

Lawn, and Mrs. J. L. McMillin, Guion, Texas. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Heynie, reside at Lawn.

MAN TAKES POISON THROUGH MISTAKE

Joe McKenzie is at his home in the western part of the city recovering from the effects of poison, taken through mistake Sunday afternoon about three o'clock.

Mr. McKenzie was at the Gross ranch. He was suffering with neuralgia and rheumatism and thought he would take aspirin tablets, when he got hold of the wrong box and swallowed two bichloride tablets. Fortunately friends were near to render aid and the man was given an antidote and hurriedly brought to town.

While Mr. McKenzie is pretty sore today from the experience, he is out of danger and will recover. He had a close call and does not care to undergo another like experience.

Monday. Gomez was in the custody of Deputies Wayne and Henry Green when the shooting took place. Four shots were fired in rapid succession, and the Mexican fell to the street dead.

Deputy Henry Green Tuesday in discussing the tragedy of Monday said that he and Wayne Green went for Gomez shortly before ten o'clock. They got the prisoner and started for the courthouse. He said that when they reached the sidewalk about opposite the north gate of the courthouse yard three men came through the gate. He declared that at this time Wayne Green and Gomez were abreast while he was a little behind and to the right, and that when within a few feet of Wayne Green and Gomez one of the men pulled a pistol and began firing. He declared that later it was learned this man was Wood Hargis. Deputy Henry Green stated that the entire affair was wholly unexpected and was executed with such rapidity that there was no possible chance for interference. He declared that the muzzle of the pistol could not have been more than twelve or eighteen inches from the Mexican when the shots were fired.

The sheriff's office Tuesday stated that the three men who passed through the gate and met the officers and the prisoner on the sidewalk were Wood Hargis, Arch Bengel and George Gann. John Hargis, who is the father of Wood and the boy Gomez shot to death last August, was not with Wood Hargis when the shooting was done. It appears that neither of these men had the slightest idea that trouble would occur. The deputies who had Gomez in charge stated they were walking about the courthouse lawn like other citizens and that it appeared when Wood Hargis saw the Mexican who shot his brother to death, he must have been overcome with anger.

Quick Court Action. Gomez was shot to death a few moments before ten o'clock Monday morning. Within thirty minutes Judge Cornell had ordered the grand jury to reassemble and Sheriff Allen was busy summoning that body. The body got together Monday afternoon and Tuesday morning returned indictment. Judge Cornell called the court to meet at 1:30 Tuesday afternoon and transferred the case to Coleman county. This establishes a speed record in the transaction of criminal cases in Tom Green county.

WORKING OUT WAY TO REPAIR STREETS

The city commissioners are keeping their heads together and working out some plan for knocking the bumps out of the streets of this city and filling the holes on the down-town streets. They deny report that the streets will not be put in better condition, and say the work will be carried on just as fast as the cash in sight will permit.

The street leading to the Santa Fe station from Hutchings on Seventh is nearing completion. The problem of repairing the streets in the business district will receive attention and Hutchings Avenue leading to the Colorado river bridge made passable.

CATTLE BRING \$225 A HEAD AT SAN ANGELO. San Angelo, Oct. 16.—The season's record for high price cattle was established here when R. E. Taylor of Angeles, Texas, purchased from Frank Russell of San Angelo twenty-five registered Hereford cows for \$5,850, \$225 per head.

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LIEUT. EWING TAYLOR ARRIVES IN FRANCE

Mr and Mrs. W. A. Taylor received a card from their son, Ewing, Monday morning. The card was written "somewhere in France," dated Sept. 25th. Ewing writes that he arrived safely in France on Sept. 21, and attempted to send his parents a cablegram, but nothing but official business could be handled over the cables, and he wrote them a letter. The letter has not arrived.

Lieut. Taylor left New York some time after the first of Sept. He spent the last two weeks in August with home folks in Ballinger, after completing his work at the Leon Springs training camp. He has many friends here who will be glad that he escaped the submarines and landed in France safely, and they expect to see him return to Ballinger some day.

For rock, brick and cement work see J. Cavanaugh, 501 Hutchings avenue, or phone 509-19-w4t.

Santa Anna, Oct. 12.—This city suffered a heavy fire loss this morning, and for a time the entire business section was threatened. At nine-thirty fire broke out in the rear of one of the buildings occupied by Adams & Childress and soon spread to three other buildings.

Adams & Childress carried a general merchandise stock, conducting a large business and occupied four buildings. It is not known what the loss amounts to, but the firm was incorporated for \$50,000, and the loss is in excess of this amount. It is not known how the fire originated, the flames having spread over the rear of one of the stores before it was discovered and soon spread over other stores.

The fire company from Coleman responded to call for help, and assisted the local fire company in getting the fire under control. A call had been sent to Brownwood, for help from that city, but later cancelled.

LITTLE CHILD EATS BICHLORIDE TABLETS

The three year old child of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Duke, living eight miles south of Ballinger, got hold of a bichloride tablet Tuesday and used the poison for candy. The child eat the entire tablet before it was discovered, and came near dying. The attending physician reports that while the little fellow's mouth and throat is badly burned, he is out of danger and will recover.

PROFESSOR PIERATT GETS ARM BROKEN. Prof. Pieratt, of the Ballinger schools, had the misfortune to get his arm broken while visiting in Santa Anna last Sunday. Mr. Pieratt went to Santa Anna to visit home folks Saturday and Sunday, and it was while cranking a car that he received a kick from the crank that will make him a cripple for a while. He returned home Monday morning and is on duty in the schools although a little inconvenienced on account of the crippled arm.

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ELECTRIC POWER FOR IRRIGATION FARMS

It is probable that by the time irrigating season rolls around again, electric power will be pulling the big pumps for the irrigated farms on the Colorado river west of Ballinger. Such a proposition is fast in the forming.

Chas. Ferguson, who is a booster when it comes to developing the country along modern lines, has proposed to contribute the labor necessary to place the material on the ground if the power plant will furnish the material and construct the high power transmission line to distribute the current.

Manager Treadwell, of the local power plant, says that his company has this extension under consideration. If a sufficient number of farmers can be interested in the proposition to assure the power company that the investment will not work a loss to them, the line will be extended from Ballinger. When the high price of oil is taken into consideration, and the upkeep on gas engines and repairs, the power proposition has much the best of the deal. Pumping water by electricity is the most satisfactory and where current is distributed at a reasonable rate will bring a saving to the farmer who irrigates his land.

The proposition to connect the city pump up to the electric line and replace steam with electricity for pumping water for the city, is still pending. The delay is due to the fact that the necessary equipment for making the change can not be had at this time on account of the shortage of material and the great demand made on the electrical manufacturer by the government.

LEMONS WHITEN AND BEAUTIFY THE SKIN

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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 freckles, sallowness and tan and is the ideal skin softener, whitener and beautifier.

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A Mother's Love



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COURT EMPLOYS NEW GARDNER

The commissioners' court decided to accept the resignation of E. D. Haden, gardner for the county and who for the past year has had charge of the court house park, and on Thursday afternoon employed Jim Minyard, the man who has had charge of the Santa Fe park.

Mr. Haden will move to Bonham about Oct. 25th and will assume charge of the court house park in that city on Nov. 1st. Mr. Haden moved from Ballinger to Bonham several years ago and designed and built the park at that place. He resigned and returned to Ballinger.

While the county regrets to give up Mr. Haden the court is fortunate in securing the services of Mr. Minyard, as he has illustrated what he can do in making beauty spots by his work on the Santa Fe park during the past season.

It is not known yet who will succeed Mr. Minyard.

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A dozen ladies met at the Ellison Hall Wednesday evening to sew for the soldier boys. The secretary reported that the shirt sent to Ballinger for inspection had been returned and no fault at all found with it. They have a sample of socks and material for knitting and material for sewing. The membership of the local has reached 108.—Miles Messenger.

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ENDORSES SOLDIERS HOME PAPER FUND

"I want to second the motion made by some man through your paper the other day," said E. Shepperd, "and I am ready to pay for four subscriptions to your paper to be sent to the soldiers in the training camp for a period of three months." Mr. Shepperd's money has been paid in and with it comes the names of four Ballinger boys who are at Camp Travis. Who'll be next?

The regular subscription to the weekly Ledger is 40 cents for three months, but just to help the cause along and make it possible for as many of the boys to get the news from home as possible, we have put on a special rate of 25 cents for a three months subscription. Now, you can take your choice, send the smokes to the boys in France and send the news to the boys in the training camps, or do both, but be sure you do

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LOOKING ON THE BRIGHT SIDE.

We must take our hats off to Mrs. J. M. Stephens, of Menard, who willingly gives her boys to Uncle Sam, and says other mothers should make the sacrifice without complaining. Here's what she says:

"Of course it is hard to give up our jewels, but they are no better than your father, or mine who fought for the privileges we have been enjoying. I say we should rejoice that we have brave and noble bony willing to bid adieu to home and loved ones and answer the law's call. We should not worry, but confide in Him who is able to care for our dear ones. Of course we may never see our boys here again, we can't tell; but if we don't they have gone for a noble cause and as we are mothers of such boys we ought to console

ourselves as best we can and be proud. Letters from my boys at camp show our boys seem to be happy as can be. They say if they were not in the army they would join at once. All are well satisfied with what they have to do. I could not see you all and talk to you, so I hope this may be of some help to mothers. I don't believe any mother could visit the camp and could look on and not become so enthusiastic that they would not like to be a soldier, too."

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BEDICHECK HERE TO MOVE FAMILY

Rev. E. A. Bedicheck is here for the purpose of moving his family to Abilene, where he will put his son in the Christian college at this place. Mr. Bedicheck is devoting all his time to selling oil stock on a lease he has secured in the Petrolia field and is very enthusiastic over the outlook for a paying well on the lease.

NO DATE FIXED FOR NEXT MOVEMENT

The following telegram was transmitted to the local exemption board today, coming from Provost General Marshal through the adjutant general's department:

"Next movement of troops will not begin Oct. 17. Two weeks notice will be given prior to beginning of movement. Information will be furnished you as soon as orders are received from chief of staff, Crowder."

The counties not having ready their full quota of men also received notice from the adjutant general to call additional men and get their full quota ready. This part of the order does not apply to the local board, as the local board have a sufficient number of men certified and ready to entrain when the order is given.

As will be seen from the above telegram, it is not known when the remaining fifteen per cent of Rummels county's quota will be called. The time is indefinite, but the board will receive a two weeks notice, according to the telegram.

Geo. M. Vaughn subscribes for the Ledger to go to U. S. Havenhill at Camp Travis, and becomes a member of the Ledger's "home paper" club. Mr. Havenhill spent a couple of weeks in Ballinger training, and writes Mr. Vaughn that while the camp is not like home, he is well satisfied.

INTOXICATED CHICKENS A MENACE TO SOCIETY.

Ralph Stafford decided a short time ago that he would make some brandy, so he sugared some peaches and put them away to ferment, a few days ago, deciding they had fermented enough, he drew off the liquid and dumped the peaches into a vessel in the yard for the chickens, and they "went for it." A short time later, he tells us, those were the drunkest chickens one ever saw. Some could walk by following a zig-zag course, others would fall whenever they tried to walk, while some were so drunk they couldn't get up. He says some of them were too drunk to get on the roosts that night, but that the next morning they had sobered up and appeared none the worse for their spree.—Detroit (Texas) Herald.

It would be well for Mr. Stafford to keep those drunken chickens in a burglar proof vault for two or three reasons. One of these is the that drunken chickens are a menace to the peace and dignity of the community. Another very foreeful reason is that there are lots of people in the dry belt who would give their last dime for a feast of drunk chicken. Chicken that would satisfy the appetite for grub and the craving for a long toddy at the same time is too valuable a fowl to leave to the mercies of the hungry and thirsty.—Honey Grove Signal.

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Notice of Hearing to Appropriate Public Waters.

THE STATE OF TEXAS.
Notice is hereby given, to whom concerned, that John Bolf and Louis Baca, the post office address of each of whom is Miles, Texas, did on the 1st day of October, A. D., 1917, file their joint application in the office of the BOARD OF WATER ENGINEERS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, in which they apply for a permit to impound, divert and appropriate 2½ cubic feet of water per second of time, for the purpose of irrigating certain lands hereinafter described, from the unappropriated waters of the State of Texas, to be diverted from a reservoir located on the W. C. R. Co. Survey No. 127, and in and across Red Bank a tributary of the Colorado river, 11 miles in a westerly direction from the city of Ballinger, in Runnels County, Texas; said water to be diverted from the reservoir by means of a pumping plant situated adjacent thereto; said reservoir, when constructed, having a capacity of approximately 18 acre-feet.

You are hereby further notified that the lands proposed to be irrigated consist of two tracts; first tract: 30 acres out of the Northwest corner of the W. C. R. Co. Survey, No. 127, and second tract, 50 acres out of the Northeast quarter of the W. C. R. Co. Survey No. 127; the first tract owned by Louis Baca, and the second tract owned by John Bolf, both tracts aggregating 80 acres and situated in Runnels county, Texas.

A hearing on the said application of the said John Bolf, et al., will be held by the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas at its office, in the City of Austin, County of Travis, said State, on Monday, the 29th day of October, A. D. 1917, beginning at ten o'clock A. M., at which time and place all parties interested may appear and be heard. Such hearings will be continued from time to time and from place to place, if necessary, until such determination has been made relative to said application as the said Board of Water Engineers may deem right, equitable and proper.

Given under, and by virtue of, an order of the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, at the office of said Board, in Austin, Texas, this the 1st day of October, A. D., 1917.

JOHN WILSON,
E. B. GORE,
5-w4t Board.
Attest: W. T. POTTER, Sec'y.

No. 229. Notice of Hearing to Appropriate Public Waters.

THE STATE OF TEXAS.
Notice is hereby given, to whom concerned, that J. S. Oliver, whose postoffice address is Ballinger, Texas, did on the 18th day of September, A. D., 1917, file an application in the office of the BOARD OF WATER ENGINEERS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, in which he applies for a permit to appropriate 42-acre feet of water per annum, for the purpose of irrigating certain lands hereinafter described, from the unappropriated waters of the state of Texas, to be impounded in and diverted from Elm creek, a tributary of the Colorado river, in Runnels county, Texas; and the dam to be located on Survey No. 530-3-8, Samuel Gates, and in and across Elm creek, six miles in a northerly direction from the town of Ballinger, in Runnels County, Texas. The dam to be four feet high, 60 feet long, thus creating an impounding reservoir having a capacity of approximately 18 acre-feet, which reservoir will be filled from the storm and flood waters of said Elm creek.

You are hereby further notified that the lands proposed to be irrigated consist of parts of the Samuel Gates Survey No. 530-3-8, all aggregating 21 acres, and situated in Runnels County, Texas.

A hearing on the said application of the said J. S. Oliver will be held by the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, at its office, in the City of Austin, County of Travis, said State, on Monday, the 29th day of October, A. D., 1917, beginning at ten o'clock A. M., at which time and place all parties interested may appear and be heard. Such hearing will be continued from time to time and from place to place, if necessary, until such determination has been made relative to said application as the said Board of Water Engineers may deem right, equitable and proper.

Given under, and by virtue of, an order of the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, at the office of said Board, in Austin, Texas, this the 18th day

of September, A. D., 1917.
E. B. GORE,
JOHN WILSON,
Attest: W. T. POTTER, Sec'y.
28-w4t Board.

SECOND DRAFT IS EXPECTED SOON

WASHINGTON, D. C. Oct. 13.—Discussion of the advisability of expediting the call for the second increment of the army now is in progress at the war department and it appears likely that the date may be fixed for some time in December or January.

Mobilization of the first increment of 687,000 men is now far enough advanced to show clearly that there will be a big deficiency for the seventeen national army divisions. More than 250,000 of the first increment are still to be assembled but it already is evident that there will be available at the sixteen cantonments quarters for an additional regiment at each post and at some for a full brigade of two regiments.

The strength of the new regimental organization is 3,600 men. With a regiment lacking at each cantonment this alone would mean a shortage of nearly 50,000 men. In addition there has been authorized a separate division of negro troops, which means nearly 30,000 men withdrawn from the original number assigned to the sixteen cantonments.

The shortage is due partially to the necessity of taking out of the national army men to fill up national guard divisions. Two complete national army division of southern troops have been absorbed in this way. The remnants of three other national army divisions will be consolidated to form a single divisional unit and the surplus men from other camps will be sent south to make up the missing divisions.

Operating to delay the calling out of the second increment to make good these shortages are several factors. Clothing and equipment is coming forward only at the rate that can meet the demands of the forces already called and railroads have been overburdened with moving the armies and its necessities without hindering freight shipments vital to the allies.

Fixing the date of the call for the second increment probably hinges also upon the careful study being made by Provost Marshal Crowder and his assistants of the results of the plan followed in assembling the men called first.

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WONDERFUL STUFF! LIFT OUT YOUR CORNS

Apply a few drops then life corns or calluses off with fingers—no pain.

No humbug! Any corn, whether hard, soft or between the toes, will loosen right up and lift out, without a particle of pain or soreness.

This drug is called freezone and is a compound of ether discovered by a Cincinnati man.

Ask at any drug store for a small bottle of freezone, which will cost but a trifle, but is sufficient to rid one's feet of every corn or callus.

Put a few drops directly upon any tender, aching corn or callus. Instantly the soreness disappears and shortly the corn or callus will loosen and can be lifted off with the fingers.

This drug freezone doesn't eat out the corns or calluses but shrivels them without even irritating the surrounding skin.

Just think! No pain at all; no soreness or smarting when applying it or afterwards. If your druggist don't have freezone have him order it for you.

STILL IN HOUSTON JAIL.

Mrs. Tom Hanie is being held in jail at Houston charged with the murder of her husband, having so far failed to make bond. It is alleged that she shot her husband while he was in bed, using a pistol and shooting him several times in the abdomen. Mrs. Hanie was formerly Miss Anette Ash, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Ash of the Truitt country for many years and later of Taylor county. The young lady taught school in this county and attended teachers' institutes in Ballinger from time to time.

The Quinine That Does Not Affect the Head
Because of its tonic and laxative effect, LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE is better than ordinary Quinine and does not cause nervousness or ringing in head. Remember the full name and look for the signature of E. W. GROVE. 30c.

NO GROUCH IN THIS SOLDIER'S LETTER

Camp Travis, Oct. 8, 1917.
Dear Mother and Dad:—

I haven't anything much to do today, so thought it would be a good time to write to you. I am well and hope you the same.

We have a norther blowing down here and it's pretty cool. I am still on the receiving committee. I went to town Saturday night, met the Parramores, and Mr. and Mrs. Parramore and Mary Louise took me out for an hour's drive; it was all the time I had to spare. We went out to the hot well and had a real nice time.

I spent the day in town yesterday with Cecil Calvert, and after dinner we went out to Breckenridge Park and spent the entire afternoon. Had a good time, it is a beautiful place out there, the river winds around all through it and they have a large Zoo out there all kinds of animals and birds and fish. They also have a dandy bathing beach and a dance pavillion.

I saw my friend Mr. Davis out there, the man who sells U. S. tires, and also met his wife. He said he would see papa and tell him how well I was looking.

I received my cigarettes all OK and was surely glad to get them, and I thank you very much.

After we returned from the park yesterday we had supper and I started back to camp, and met Carl Davis (I think his name is Carl) from Winters, and two more of the Winters boys, and we went to the "Bevo White City" and from there to the Saldad Roof Garden, had a good time up there. Danced and saw a show, then we had lunch and came out to camp about 11 o'clock; so I had a good time.

I saw James Skinner and Frank Cameron Saturday night.

Be sure to send me the papers I see Eugene Kipp, Elmer Allison and Roy Reeder most every time I go to town. Tell Mrs. Tally to be sure and come out to see me when she comes down here.

Tell all the kids hello for me. Call Mae and Lula up and tell them that they both owe me a letter.

Lovingly,
CHARLES BOYD.

LADY APPOINTED TAX ASSESSOR

As soon as she qualifies Mrs. Willie Stevens will be tax assessor for Runnels county. This was made possible Thursday morning when the commissioners' court by a unanimous vote appointed Mrs. Stevens to succeed her husband in this office.

Mr. Stevens was called to his country's colors after serving only one year as tax assessor, having been elected at the last election. It was pretty well known that Mrs. Stevens would succeed her husband and no other application was made for the place, and no opposition expressed to her appointment.

Mr. Stevens is now at Camp Travis training for service in France. He was among the men drafted from this county and left here on Monday night of this week. The news of the appointment of his wife will reach him in a short time, and he will no doubt be made to feel that the people at home appreciate the service he is rendering to his country and are here to see that loved ones left behind do not suffer.

In case the war is prolonged and Mr. Stevens is kept in the army Mrs. Stevens will serve out the unexpired term, and of course it will then be up to the people to re-elect her, if she offers for the place, or elect some one else. In case Mr. Stevens returns home it will be an easy matter for the court to accept Mrs. Stevens' resignation and re-appoint Mr. Stevens.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy the Most Reliable.

After many years' experience in the use of it and other cough medicines, there are many who prefer Chamberlain's to any other. Mrs. A. C. Kirstein, Greenville, Ill., writes, "Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has been used in my mother's home and mine for years, and we always found it a quick cure for colds and bronchial troubles. We find it to be the most reliable cough medicine we have used."

Delightful economy

Oh—that sinking of the heart, when you look in your ice-box and see the tiny dab left from yesterday's pound of butter!

As a matter of fact, you would probably not be using butter for cooking nowadays, if you could get the same delicious results without it.

You can. Yes—without a particle of butter!

Here is the way: Use wholesome, economical Cottolene for your fine cooking, in place of expensive butter.

In purity Cottolene has set the highest possible standard for shortenings.

Try Cottolene in any familiar recipe. Use one-third less than you would use of butter.

You will find that shortenings which seem cheap, when scooped out by the pound, are often more expensive than Cottolene in actual use.

Why?

Because many careful housewives have found that Cottolene—owing to its superior richness—goes much farther than other shortenings which they had been using.

Try Cottolene next time. It is sold by grocers in tins of convenient sizes.



Recipe for MOLASSES COOKIES

- 1 cup molasses
- 1 level tablespoon ginger
- ¼ cup Cottolene
- ½ level teaspoon soda
- ½ cup sugar
- ¼ cup cold water
- ½ level teaspoon salt
- 3 to 4 cups flour

Heat molasses, pour over Cottolene. Add sugar, salt and ginger or a mixture of other spices if preferred. Dissolve soda in cold water and add to first mixture. Stir in flour, making a soft dough to drop from spoon, or a stiff dough to be rolled and cut. Bake in moderate oven.

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NEW HIGHWAY TO BE LOGGED AT EARLY DATE

County Judge Parrish returned Wednesday from Waco, where he attended the Central Texas Highway Association. He reports a successful meet and says that the new highway will no doubt be placed on the map. Judge Parrish says that the state highway commission could not be represented on account of being engaged on other important work, but that the commission had already designated the route by adopting an "air line" and it is now up to the various counties to survey out the most direct route and meet the requirements when the commission will send representatives over the route and approve it and put us in line for state aid.

At the meeting arrangements were made for the logging of the route. A Goldthwaite party, headed by the county judge, will log the route from Gatesville to Brownwood, and Mr. Starkweather of Brownwood, will log it from Brownwood to San Angelo.

JUDGE GRIGGS ATTENDING COURT HERE.

Judge R. S. Griggs came in from Fort Worth Monday, having business in district court. He will probably remain over for the

week, and preach for the Ninth Street Baptist church next Sunday. He reports that Mrs. Griggs and the children are getting along nicely in their home at Fort Worth.

Your Coal goes a long ways when burned in Cole's Hot Blast Heaters. They are fuel savers.

J. C. LATHAM FAILS TO PASS EXAMINATION.

News has been received in Ballinger to the effect that J. C. Latham was released by the examiners at Camp Travis and returned to his home at Bonham. Mr. Latham was in the last bunch of men sent from Ballinger to Camp Travis and it is reported that he failed to pass the physical examination and was exempt from further service in Uncle Sam's army.

The closing out sale in several lines is still in full blast at A. J. Zappe's.

BIG EVENTS IN SAN ANGELO

The Big Race Meet and Carnival which will be held at San Angelo on October 30th to November 3rd inclusive, will undoubtedly be the biggest event of its kind ever pulled off in West Texas. \$5,150.00 is offered in cash purses for the

visitors. over 150 entries have already been made and additional entries are being made daily. The prizes offered in the goat roping and Broncho busting contests are also quite attractive, and other numerous attractions will furnish most excellent programs daily. A large carnival company will exhibit on the streets of the city throughout the week. The railroads are offering reduced rates from many points in Texas for the occasion, and everything points to a great and gala week in San Angelo. The new St. Angelus Hotel will be opened for the occasion and which, in addition to the many other hotels, will offer ample accommodations to the visitors.

HOME PAPER FUNDGROWING

James Clayton subscribes for two copies of the Ledger for Runnels county boys in the camp. Through the courtesy of Mr. Clayton Henry Vandevanter and Arthur Hoffman, now in Camp Travis, will receive the home paper. There are nearly two hundred Runnels county men in the training camps, and each one of these would no doubt appreciate a copy of the home paper.

B. E. Walker of Winters was a visitor to Ballinger Monday.

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It takes cash to build good roads, but the commissioners have also decided that it takes rain. Dry road beds make rough traveling.

The difference between bull-headed and logical argument is this: In the one the fellow it is bull-headed.

The big trouble with some people is, that instead of upholding the country, they are trying to hold it up.

Speaking of man and woman's fullest responsibilities in life, are there any greater "slakers" than those who do not marry and raise a family?

The prolonged drouth is playing havoc with public roads in this county. Fresh grades will not make good roads until the rain settles the dirt and the road drag fills up the holes.

The man who opposes good roads has had his way in this county a long time. He should let the good road men have their way a while and when we get good roads those who oppose them would get used to them.

So many people are long on giving patriotic advice, and that is about the only way they have demonstrated their own patriotism. It is an easy job to tell the other fellow what he owes to his country and that it is his duty to fall in line. What we need right now is more action and not quite so much hot air.

The man who can adapt himself to his surroundings and is at home in any kind of company, is the man who makes a go in life. News from the training camp shows that the boy who realized that the sacrifice is necessary and becomes reconciled before being placed on the job, is the boy who is better satisfied.

We are told that the man with grass prefers to buy cattle instead of selling his grass. Parties returning from the east in search of grass say that grass is plentiful, but the owners of the grass are coming west to buy cattle. Beef is bringing a price that is out of reach of the poor man, but the end is not yet.

TEXAS CAN WHIP KAISER.
 Jack Parramore and wife returned this week from an automobile trip to Fort Worth, Waco and San Antonio. They visited the training camps at these points. Mr. Parramore is of the opinion that there is already enough men in these camps to whip the Kaiser. We hope he is right and we really believe he is.—Aspermont Star.

DO WE THINK MORE OF OUR MONEY THAN WE DO OF OUR MEN?

This county has furnished its quota of men for the drafted army without delay. These men have been called to face the enemy and it may become necessary for them to sacrifice their lives. Uncle Sam has called for a certain amount of money from this county. He has asked those remaining at home to put up a loan of \$207,000. He offers A1 security, and agrees to pay interest twice each year on the loan. Do we think more of our money than we do of our men?

VISIONARY BANKRUPTS.

In keeping with the half page announcement which the Banner carried for four weeks preceding last Saturday, we have advanced the subscription rates of the paper to the following prices: One year, \$1.50; six months, 90c; three months, 50c. This change became effective Sept. 15. We ask all who remit by mail to subscribe through those who act as agents to bear in mind the advanced prices.—Troup Banner.

Any publisher who imagines he can run a newspaper at a loss, besides wearing out the costly printing materials in the process, and make the difference in the gratitude of his fellow-citizens, is merely seeing things that do not exist. He is building castles out of clouds, and some time his creditors will come and gently ooze him into the boundless spaces of desuetude, where the whangdoodle

wears a night nightcap and the daw-daw swings by its tail from the swisswus tree like a pendulum with whiskers on it.—State Press, in Dallas News.

A "MOCK" WEDDING

There is a weak place in one criminal law that the next legislature should lose no time in remedying. Under the present way of squaring up things, a man charged with seduction can escape punishment by marrying the girl he has deceived. Just such thing happened at Ballinger this week, when the grand jury returned the bill and the sheriff made the trip almost across the state to get the man charged with the crime. Within a few hours after arriving in Ballinger, and before the man had time to learn the number of his cell in the local jail, he married the girl, and as far as the law is concerned, is a free man. We are told that the law requires the man to live with the girl for at least two years, and if he deserts her before that time he will be subject to prosecution under the charge of the indictment. This appears to us to be punishing the wrong party and adds injury to the disgrace. This is the second "Mock" wedding to take place in the local court house within recent years, and there have been others. The man who framed such law should be tried for seduction and sent to the pen for life.

"THE KAISER GRIEVES"

The St. Louis Republic remarks "Why do the French bomb undefended cities of no military importance?" the Kaiser asks. It is barbarous," he exclaims, and his soul is wrapped in grief at the thought of such wickedness. He might take his inquiry to the graveyards where French and English babies killed by German shells are buried and get an enlightening answer. But there is no occasion for arguing the matter. Every one, including the Kaiser, knows why bombs are being rained in no very discriminating way on German cities. The whole thing shames humanity, and perhaps the most hopeful fact in connection with the bombing of open towns is that the Kaiser has been moved to declare that the practice is barbarous, when the towns happen to be German. It is but one step more to the conclusion that the practice is equally barbarous when the towns are Belgian, French, or British. Perhaps the Kaiser will attain this frame of mind if he continues to think hard and logically."

ON TO BERLIN

We're in it to fight; we're in it to win; We're in it to die, or go to Berlin. That American grit that's never been crushed, That American cry that's never been hushed, Of might to the right and the world shall be free, Have always been victor and ever shall be!

A Sammie can fight, a Sammie can win; The Sammies are now on the road to Berlin, With a firm, steady step and a light in each eye That says to the world, "We know how to die." Our guns may be dirty, our clothes become thin, But God is our ally—we'll go to Berlin!

BREAKS A COLD IN FEW HOURS--TRY IT!

First dose of Pape's Cold Compound relieves all gripe misery.

Don't stay stuffed-up! Quit blowing and snuffing! A dose of "Pape's Cold Compound" taken every two hours until three doses are taken will end gripe misery and break up a severe cold either in the head, chest, body or limbs.

It promptly opens clogged-up nostrils and air passages; stops nasty discharge or nose running; relieves sick headache, dullness, feverishness, sore throat, sneezing soreness and stiffness. "Pape's Cold Compound" is the quickest, surest relief known and costs only a few cents at drug stores. It acts without assistance tastes nice, and causes no inconvenience. Don't accept a substitute.

W. E. Chambers and family went to Santa Anna Saturday for a visit to relatives.

CENTRAL HIGHWAY ELECTS OFFICERS

As this county is vitally interested in highways at this particular time, we are reproducing herewith the official minutes of the meeting of the Central Highway Association, which recently held its first session at Waco, and to which County Judge Parish of this county, was a delegate:

Meeting was called to order at 10:15 a. m., Waco, Texas, October 10th Chamber of Commerce building, by J. R. Potts, Chairman of Waco Chamber of Commerce Good Roads Committee, to organize an association and elect a committee to co-operate with the State Highway Department and petition the said department to designate the Highway No. 7, as the appointed committee would indicate from Waco to San Angelo. Representatives present: Harvey, Johnson, Oglesby, Coryell county, Texas; T. E. Hamilton, Star, Mills county, Texas; Robt. Weaver, Goldthwaite Mills county, Texas; W. W. Hallingsworth, H. E. Bell, Gatesville, Coryell county, Texas; J. F. Barnes, Robt. J. Potts, Rollin J. Windrow, F. B. McPeak, Roy L. Goebel, Wm. T. Wheeler and P. S. Sparks, Waco, McLennan county, Texas; O. L. Parish, Ballinger, Rannels county, Texas; H. R. Starkweather, and R. I. Bowen, Coleman, Coleman county, Texas; Fred H. Turner, Santa Anna, Coleman county, Texas; Marshall Smith, Brownwood, Brown county, Texas.

After a discussion as to the best way to proceed, arrangements were made as follows:

It was first in order to elect officers to perfect the organization and carry out the sense of the meeting. The following officers were nominated and elected by acclamation: Marshall Smith of Brownwood, Brown county, president; R. J. Potts, Waco, McLennan county, vice-president; Roy L. Goebel, secretary and treasurer, Waco, McLennan county. The following officers, one representing each county, were nominated and elected by acclamation as vice-presidents to represent each county: F. B. McPeak, McLennan county; H. E. Bell, Coryell county; Robert Weaver, Mills county; Joe F. Renfro, Brown county; R. I. Bowen, Coleman county; Judge O. L. Parish, Rannels county; T. F. Owen, Tom Green county.

A letter was read from Thos. F. Owen, enclosing petitions from Upton, Reagan, and Irion counties, asking that at this meeting we consider these counties being anxious to be designated on the Highway number 7. A discussion followed as to whether or not we wanted to consider them in our organization. It was moved and seconded that the secretary be instructed to write Thos. F. Owen and advise him that it was the sense of the representatives present to cooperate and help their movement as much as possible but that they would not be considered as a part of the organization formed as we only intended to follow out the State Highway Department's map which designated San Angelo as the end of the highway number 7 at the present time.

Moved by Judge Bell of Gatesville that there would be an expense attached to the organization in the way of traveling expenses which would have to be done by the central committee to be elected and that \$25.00 be charged each county with a population of less than 20,000 and counties that were 25,000 and over assessment to be \$1.00 per thousand population in addition to the \$25.00. This move was seconded and carried.

Moved and carried that a committee of five be appointed, the president being included in the committee, to compose a central committee and handle the official business of the organization. The following four were elected by acclamation: G. W. Royalty, Gatesville, Coryell county; R. J. Windrow, Waco, McLennan county; Judge R. Weaver, Goldthwaite, Mills county; H. R. Starkweather, Coleman, Coleman county.

The movement was made and carried that Weaver and Smith attend to the logging of roads from Waco to Brownwood and Starkweather from Brownwood to San Angelo and advise the secretary upon completion.

Moved and carried that this organization petition the State Highway Department to designate the Central Texas Highway Number 7 along the following route from Waco via McGregor and Oglesby to Gatesville, via Evans and Star to Goldthwaite, via Mullens and Zephyr to Brownwood, Bangs and

A Letter From Washington
 The Food Administrator Writes Us:
 "The use of baking powder breads made of corn and other coarse flours instead of patent wheat flour is recommended by the Conservation Division of the Food Administration. The wheat needed for export is thus conserved, and at the same time healthful food for our own people is provided. The circulation of recipes providing for these uses would be of assistance in carrying out our plans."
 The following recipes for Corn Bread and Rye Rolls save wheat flour and make attractive and wholesome food for every day when made with

DR. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER

CORN BREAD
 1 1/2 cups corn meal
 1/2 cup flour
 4 level teaspoons Dr. Price's Baking Powder
 1 tablespoon sugar
 1 teaspoon salt
 1 1/2 cups milk
 2 tablespoons shortening
 Mix thoroughly dry ingredients; add milk and melted shortening; beat well; pour into well greased pan and bake in hot oven about 25 minutes.
 Our red, white and blue booklet "Best War Time Recipes" containing additional similar recipes sent free on request. Address Dept. H, 1001 Independence Boulevard, Chicago

RYE ROLLS
 2 cups rye flour
 1/2 teaspoon salt
 2 level teaspoons Dr. Price's Baking Powder
 1/2 cup milk
 1/2 tablespoon shortening
 Sift dry ingredients together, add milk and melted shortening. Knead on floured board; shape into rolls. Put into greased pans and allow to stand in warm place 20 to 25 minutes. Bake in moderate oven 25 to 30 minutes.

Santa Anna to Coleman, Valera and Talpa to Ballinger, via Rowena and Miles to San Angelo, and that the committee also submit data on alternate route from Gatesville to Goldthwaite via Hamilton and intermediate points.

Moved by Mr. Windrow and carried that a petition be formed and forwarded to each vice-president for signature of tax payers and county commissioners to be presented by central committee to the State Highway commission, setting forth log along the above route and support to be given by above named counties in conjunction with the above route.

Moved and carried by organization that the executive committee elect the markers and submit with petitions and to do whatever else is necessary to expedite designation of this highway.

MAYR'S Wonderful Remedy For STOMACH TROUBLES
 One Dose Convinces. Weeks' Drug Store and other reliable druggists.

FORMER BALLINGER BOY BANKS SALARY

San Angelo, Oct. 15.—David Smith, a San Angelo young man, who has just drawn his first two months' pay, amounting to \$80, for service in the United States navy, has sent a check for \$75 of the amount to his father, Arkansaw Smith, a wholesale grocer of this city, with instructions to use it if he needed it, and if not to deposit it in the bank.

The \$75 has been placed to his credit in one of the banks. David Smith is a nephew of C. A. Dooze. He made his home in Ballinger for a number of years, spending part of the time here with relatives and part of the time with his father at San Angelo after his mother died. He has many friends here who will be glad to note that the young man is making good.

DR. SHEPHERD GETS A CAPTAINCY

Dr. F. B. Shepherd, who was superintendent of the public schools in Brownwood about twenty years ago, has joined the army service of the United States as a physician, according to information received here by friends. Dr. Shepherd has been making his home at Byars, Texas, recently.—Brownwood Bulletin.

Dr. F. D. Shepherd is a brother of C. P. Shepherd, of Ballinger. Mr. Shepherd received a letter from his brother a few days ago in which he stated that he had been given a captaincy in the medical corps and would be called into service about November 15th, but didn't know where he would be assigned to duty.

Mr. Frank Fritsch left Saturday for Temple, Fayetteville, and other points in that section, to visit a while.

Miss Lalla Batts left Saturday for Dallas, to attend the fair.

BURTON DRAWS TWO YEARS FOR BURGLARY

The Ledger proved a bad guesser in the Burton burglary case, tried Monday afternoon. Bev Burton was charged with burglarizing a barn on the Gross ranch and stealing a load of oats. When the case was called for trial, the defendant expressed a desire to plead guilty and asked for the mercy of the court. Counsel for defendant stated that he would ask for a suspended sentence, and as this law has been so badly abused, the Ledger reporter naturally concluded that a suspended sentence would be the verdict, and so reported the verdict in Monday afternoon's paper, when we should have said that the verdict was for two years' term in the pen. After hearing the evidence in the case the jury declined to recommend a suspended sentence.

The case of assault and attempt to murder against Ed Greenhill, was called Monday afternoon, and after hearing the evidence the court instructed the jury to render a verdict of not guilty. This was a case in which Greenhill and a man by the name of Messengale had a difficulty over the killing of Greenhill's dog by Messengale. In the difficulty Greenhill used a hammer and Messengale a wrench, and both parties were considerably battered up. The two men are neighbors in the northern part of the county near the Taylor county line.

After disposing of the Burton case the case of the State of Texas vs. Elzie Damron was called. Damron is charged with assault and attempt to murder, and grew out of a difficulty between Damron and Chris England last January in which it is alleged that England attacked Damron for threatening to run some negroes out of the country. This case was on trial Tuesday afternoon.

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Mrs. R. A. Nicholson left Saturday for Dallas, where she will stay a few days.

Jim Greer and wife of Wingate passed through Ballinger Monday going to San Angelo.

J. B. Poole of Winters was in Ballinger Monday.

Catarrh of Stomach Did Not Know It
 Mrs. Selena Tanner, Athens, Ohio, writes: "I cannot find words to express my thanks for your kind advice. I never once thought I had catarrh of the stomach. I commenced taking Peruna, as you directed. My stomach continued to hurt me for about two weeks after I began the medicine, and then it stopped. I now have a good appetite, while before I was nearly starved."
 Those who object to liquid medicines can procure Peruna Tablets.

PERUNA Made Me Well

MESQUITE BEANS GET GOOD HEARING

As long as mesquite beans grow, the people of West Texas will never face starvation if they adopt Mrs. R. O. Griswold's suggestion. She lives in Ballinger, Texas, and is an advocate of utilizing home products. Mrs. Griswold has sent The Star-Telegram a box of prepared products.

West Texas produces mesquite beans in a superabundance. During the past year, despite the drouth, the mesquite beans thrived. This is what they are good for: Bread, coffee, syrup, cake, jelly, breakfast food, candy, vinegar, cold drinks, ensilage chicken feed, dye and glue. Aside from these products the beans make excellent food for horses and cattle.

Products of the mesquite bean have been sent to the agricultural department in Washington, and West Texas are awaiting a reply.

Samples of these foods prepared from the hardy West Texas tree prove the experiment to be successful. Gingerbread containing raisins was made from the mesquite flour and is very appetizing. The candy, which is of a light golden color, is spongy and palatable. The coffee appears to be parched beans broken into small pieces.

"If all the world starves, West Texas won't," is the message of the mesquite bean products. Like everything else under the sun that is new and unheard of, these products have to find their own place.—Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

Sour Stomach.
 Eat slowly, masticate your food thoroughly, abstain from meat for a few days and in most cases the sour stomach will disappear. If it does not, take one of Chamberlain's Tablets immediately after supper. Red meats are most likely to cause sour stomach and you may find it best to eat them out.

BIRTHS.
 A boy baby was born to Mr. and Mrs. Will Stuart, Friday.
 Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Martindale are at home to a boy baby, born Sunday morning.

The closing out sale in several lines is still in full blast at A. J. Zappe's 11w-16

J. Y. Pearce returned home Monday from a week's stay in San Antonio, visiting his son, who is in the Leon Springs training camp. Mrs. Pearce did not return with him, but stayed in San Antonio.

W. S. Davis of Winters was in Ballinger Monday.



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The Girl Who Was a Soldier Boy
How I Went "Over There" With Pershing's Division
By HAZEL CARTER
Mrs. Hazel Carter of Douglas, Ariz., is a young woman, twenty-two, whose young husband, Corporal John J. Carter of the United States army, was ordered to France with the Pershing expedition. Determined to accompany him, she obtained a soldier's uniform and fell in as a private on his departure. She was five days at sea on the transport before she was discovered and was returned home against her wishes.
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The Rookie Who Talked Too Much.
Most of the soldiers knew and had served with and seen General Pershing. He sees more of the doughboys than most major generals and gets in closer contact with his men. Yet they talked little of him except to show they had faith in him. He seemed to be a sort of distant person who spent his time in some indefinite place. The captain is the soldier's friend. There was much speculation as to what they would do when they reached France, and all were eager to get into action. They wanted to try it anyway. "We may be fed up on it a year from now," declared one fellow who had been watchfully waiting several months in Mexico, "but I hope we get some action soon."
I was beginning to think I would see the trenches myself and half hoped so. I knew I wouldn't be scared, and I felt I was part of the expedition by this time. Nothing would have suited me better than to have climbed into a ditch beside Corporal John Carter, U. S. A. I had caught the spirit of the crowd and had half got my husband to consent to let me go along as far as I could make it. I was happy.
Then one morning without any warning a talkative rookie, who had been seasick, but was now better and fresh, said:
"Did you hear there is a woman aboard?"
"You don't say?" I answered. "Where the devil is she?"
"I don't know. I can't make her," he answered. "I've been looking every body over. All the boys on the ship are talking about it."
"Some men would make better old maids than women," I replied and turned on my heel and walked away.
There was a lump in my throat. The old timers knew enough to keep their mouths shut, but these rookies were natural gossips. The officers would hear sure and begin a search. Had I come all this way in vain?

CHAPTER IV.
The Jig's Up!
WHEN a rookie told me all the boys were talking about there being a woman on board the transport I knew things were getting mighty shaky for me.
Rookies like nothing better than to crack wise, as the old timers call it, on anything connected with their troop. They have a keener sense for inside news than a bird dog has for a flock of prairie chickens. This recruit was a specially busy one of the breed. He was as pleased over the prospect of a new thrill as a Mexican is over a plate of redhot chili con carnal. It would be red hot for me, all right, if they found me out.
By this time Smithers was proud of me as if I was his own private idea. He used to chuckle as much when an officer hove in sight and I stood at attention and saluted and got away with it as he did when the "bones" rolled him a good pot in a crap game. Then, if he saw me watching him, he would try to look very severe and growl:
"You shouldn't ought to 'a' done it, kiddie. Sure 'nuff you shouldn't."
What Cupid Smithers said when I told him the rookies were on the scent and were talking sounded like a word barrage from the heavy artillery. You could smell the sulphur in the air. No apologies either. He was mad clean through.
"What them young shavetails need is a set of knitting needles," he growled. "I tell you what you'd better do. You'd better find that talkative feller who tipped you off and see if you can't shame him out'n the idea."
That sounded fair enough. My courage began to pick up. The game was not over yet by a long way.
I found my rookie astern. He was with two or three other youngsters. They were licking Germans right and left, a favorite pastime of new men in uniform. The old campaigners avoid talk about soldiering. You would never know by their conversation whether they were on their way to a war or to a tea party. The rookies had the boches halfway to Berlin and were using the kaiser's helmet for a cuspidor when I broke in.
"Hey there, Kid Pinkerton," I raged. "Found the fem yet?"
"What do you mean?" demanded my rookie, blushing like a high school boy. He knew I was kidding him.
"Didn't you tell me there was a woman on board?"
"Sure I did. I heard—"
"Well, you sure are some fall guy. Maybe you heard we are going to fight the Frizes with pea shooters too. You'd better get hep to yourself. The first thing you know you'll be answering to the name o' Patsy around here."

Rookies Silenced.
That last shot hit the boy hard. He suspected they were stringing him. Every soldier dreads being singled out for the butt of his comrades' jokes. An army Patsy has a pretty tough time of it. I was safe from that rookie for the present at least.
I sneaked forward to the quarters where my husband was bunking as soon as "lights out." I was anxious to tell him what had happened. He was worried, but he tried not to show it. He told me to cheer up; that no matter what happened he would stand by. Was I happy? Ask me. After all, he might weaken and let me go with him into France. Right then I wouldn't have traded my trusty old doughboy outfit for the swellest wardrobe in New York city, and, from what we hear back in Arizona, that is saying a heap.
I didn't sleep much. I felt there was something in the air. Before midnight there was a submarine alarm. The old timer in the bunk under me hadn't hit the floor before he began to squawk.
"Some son of a sea cook has snared my life belt!" he complained loudly. He was digging up his bunk like a dog after a rabbit. Blankets, shoes and clothes were flying in all directions. The alarm sergeant, whose duty it was to see that all hands were out of quarters and on deck, was prodding him some too gently to hasten him. A soldier from H company, a pal of his, came running up.
"Aw, g'wan, you 'jummy!" he called, stopping long enough to have a good laugh. "You've got it on you."
The old timer beat it quick. It was the first tip he had he was taking no chances on being kissed by a submarine. Afterward he insisted he had been trying it on and left it there by mistake, but the boys wouldn't listen to him. You're just as likely to get fitted to a coffin and forget about having it on as one of those seagoing life preservers. They had his number.
The next morning I decided not to risk going up for drill. The rumor about the woman was too fresh to be safe. If it had reached any of the officers they would be on the watch.
We turned out at 5 o'clock. Pulling on our shoes, we next folded our blankets, placed them at the head of our bunks and prepared for inspection. Everything was as neat and clean as a pin. Not a scrap of paper or a bit of refuse could be found anywhere. American soldiers are always clean. It is a hard and fast rule of the service. They never wait until Saturday night to take a bath. A regular always looks as if he had just been laundered.
I remained below, busying myself around the bunks. The men had been out only a few minutes when I heard voices. I glanced toward the entrance of our bunk room. Two lieutenants were coming toward me between the tiers. I slipped in between two bunks so I would be out of sight as much as possible and became very industrious. One of them saw me. I know now he was looking for me, but then there was a faint hope he was merely on regular inspection. Since I have been told every man on deck was carefully scrutinized. He strode up.
"What are you doing here?" he demanded.
I knew in a minute the rookies' rumors had reached the C. O.'s. I decided to bluff it through to the end. There was nothing to be lost by trying.
"I'm room orderly, sir," I replied, coming promptly to attention and saluting. The room orderly stays below to see everything is in order and ship-shape.
"Your name?"
"Carter, sir—K company."
"Let me see your chest."
"Well, look at it."
I stood up squarely in front of him. It was my last chance.
"I will," he said, at the same time reaching out and grabbing my shirt to rip it open at the throat. I clutched his hand with both of mine and held on. The jig was up. I was not frightened. My only thought was for my husband. What would they do to him? I could not cry, although I tried my best. Being a woman, I thought it was expected of me. The lieutenant loosened his grip on my shirt. He took me gently but firmly by the arm.
"Don't worry, little girl. No one is going to hurt you," he said. His voice was husky. "You were certainly a game one," he added, which I took as a compliment.
Then, turning to the other one of the officers, he gave the order that ended my career as a doughboy—
"Send for the major!"
I did a lot of thinking during those silent few minutes while we were waiting for the major. Neither of the officers said a word. They seemed to be unable to realize such a thing could actually have happened right under their eyes. What! A woman come all the way from Douglas, Ariz., to "somewhere in the Atlantic" without their getting wise? Nonsense! But there I was. They had to face the fact. So did I. What more I was going to face I did not know.


Facing the Music.
The major came in on the double quick, and he wasn't bothering much about his military bearing either. He was too excited to be anything except just natural. When he quickly convinced himself I was real and not a fake scare he sent for the quartermaster captain of the ship.
I wanted to see my husband pretty bad by this time. If he had appeared on the scene I guess I would just naturally have broken away from that bunch, officers or no officers, and grabbed him. They would have had to pry me away from Corporal Carter with a bayonet.
The quartermaster captain came in all a-bustle. He was as mad as a bear with a sore ear. A U boat would have been welcome alongside of me.
"What are your intentions?" he demanded. He gave me a swell imitation of a clap of thunder. He expected me to drop dead of fright, but I fooled him. This didn't help his temper any.
"I want to go to France and join the Red Cross," I said.
"Why didn't you join it at home instead of trying to make a goat out of the army?"
"I'm not trying to do anything but get to France with my husband," I answered. "If he is wounded I want to be there to take care of him. That goes for the rest of the boys in K company too. Why should I sit back home in a rocking chair and wait while some strange woman is nursing the one I love and his comrades? I'll go right to the trenches with him. I'll fight with him, and if he or any of the other boys are hurt I'll drop my gun and take care of them."
"We'll see about that," snapped the quartermaster captain. "Right now you'll come with me. Fall in there, men."
I marched up to the orderly room on the top deck with an advance and rear guard of one officer each. The Q. C. was in command of the ship. The others were trailers.
Without further ado court went into session. Of course they thought my whole trip had been fixed up by my husband and some of his men. They tried their best to get me to name my allies, but I never did. How could I when I didn't have any at the start? I told my story straight, exactly as it happened, and that is all there was to it. Not once did they trip me up. Finally they gave it up as a bad job and ordered me to a stateroom on the first deck, under guard.
Then they sent for my husband. The boys told me later that when an orderly came and told him he was wanted by the quartermaster captain he turned as white as a sheet and almost collapsed, but in a second he bucked up like a regular soldier. He couldn't obey orders quick enough, because he wanted to know what they had done with me. It was a shame, for he had never bent up for anything before, and this hurt his record.
The first thing he blurted out when he reached that impromptu courtroom was:
"Where's the kiddie?"
He was on. The only answer he got was a heavy volley of cold looks. It didn't take him long to discover a military court is no respecter of Cupid. He had a mighty uncomfortable half hour worrying, until he finally found out I was safe. All that time they kept him busy answering questions and denying he had planned the trip. It was hard to make them believe he did not know I was on the boat until we were well outside of Sandy Hook.
They brought me back to confront him and to question us together. Wasn't I proud of him, though, when I saw him standing there, straight and trim and full of courage, his chin in the air, his shoulders back, ready to face any kind of music they had to play! He half started toward me, and I made a running jump for him.
"Attention!" shouted the quartermaster captain, pounding the desk with his fist. It was a hard situation for him to handle. He saw that. We both stopped short and fell into position. The habits and discipline of the army certainly get a grip on you.

On the Grill.
I don't know how long we were on the grill. It seemed ages to me. We stuck to our story—the truth. They brought in the first sergeant of my husband's company and questioned him too. He had to admit he knew nothing about it. He might have suspected, but he figured it was none of his business. He didn't add this, however. Striking your nose into other people's affairs is a dangerous pastime in the army.
Things looked pretty tough for us at times, but I did not lose my sense of humor. The Q. C. kept referring to me as "he" part of the time and "she" the other part. Now I was "Carter," like a regular, and again I was Mrs. Carter. When he looked at me in my soldier suit, with my hair cut short like a man's, he could not figure me as anything but a doughboy.
Finally they ordered the guards to take me back to the stateroom. I did not care what happened to me as long as they did not court martial the "old man," as the soldier's wife calls her husband. I knew that would break his heart and mine too.
While I was pacing the floor of that small room waiting to hear what they had decided to do a couple of rookies passed outside the porthole.
"Whaddye think they'll do with her?" asked one rookie.
"I dunno. One o' the men that was over in the Philippines sez they'll either call out the firing squad and have her shot at sunrise or else they'll make her walk the plank."
"You mean they'll put out a plank and make her walk off the end of it into the ocean?"
"Sure. One o' the men that was over in the Phillip—" I strained my ears, but I could not hear any more. The rookies had passed out of earshot. I hoped by the time they made me walk the plank I would be near enough to France to swim ashore. Then the laugh would be on them. The prospect didn't disturb me much.
After what seemed several years, though as a matter of fact it was only a few minutes, my husband came to my room. He looked very solemn. I ran to him. He took me in his arms and held me tight for a long time. Then he began to pull off his coat.

EAT WHAT YOU WANT WHEN YOU WANT IT
People who consistently deny their appetite some particularly dish appealing especially to their palate, because indigestion has always meant subsequent suffering, will think this a strong statement. It is a fact, however, that most people can, without fear of distressing consequences, indulge the appetite within reason if the bowels are active and regular.
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"Tell me," I begged.
"I lose my stripes," he said. "I am no longer Corporal Carter, but Private Carter."
From the tone of his voice and the light in his eyes I knew he did not regret the stripes. Neither did I. Being with him all this time was worth it.
"Private Carter," I said, "I salute you, sir." And I did with a great big fat kiss.
Then I sat down on the edge of the berth and with my own hands ripped the stripes from his sleeve.
To Be Continued)

Free Book on Cancer.
A new book has just been published by Dr. O. A. Johnson, Suite 500, 1320 Main St., Kansas City, Mo., which gives reliable information of greatest value to cancer sufferers. The author of this book has spent 20 years in study and scientific research in cancer and has personally treated and investigated many hundreds of cases. He is known today as one of the foremost investigators in the field of cancer research, and his book should be read by every cancer sufferer. A limited number of these valuable books will be distributed free. You should send for a copy today, and if you have a friend suffering from cancer urge him to write to the above address for the book.
ANOTHER LETTER FROM FRANCE.
The people at home are "crazy" to know just what is going on in France, and what the boys from home are doing over there, but the censored letters do not bring the news, and about all that the boys can say when the write home is to let the home folks know that they are still on top and getting along well.
Dewey Nelson is in receipt of a letter from John G. Douglass, who is in France. The letter is dated Sept. 11, and written at headquarters of the American Expeditionary Forces, wherever that place is, and the former Ballinger boy says he is getting along all right. John advises Dewey to enlist in the army, and assures him that he will be given something to do, and will not be long in landing in France. In making the trip to France Douglass says, "I got enough of the waters coming over here. I didn't get seasick, but I sure did want to see dry land bad. I woke up one morning and went out on deck and saw the coast of France. A good feeling went thru me and I could not keep from smiling."

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MILLION BUSHELS OF GRAIN LOST IN FIRE

NEW YORK, Oct. 13.—The bread situation received a heavy blow here this morning when more than one million bushels of wheat, barley and oats were consumed by flames or destroyed by water when the huge grain elevators of the Dow stores in Brooklyn burned. The grain had been concentrated for shipment to Europe and was consigned to the allies. A number of store houses were also destroyed in the fire. Estimated loss more than two million dollars.

Kansas City, Oct. 16.—Fire destroyed a big portion of the Kansas City Stock Yards this morning. 7,500 head of cattle and 3000 hogs were lost in the flames that swept over 25 acres of the yards. The fire spread ahead of a strong wind and the cattle burned to death before they could be removed from the pens. It is believed that the fire started from a spark from a switch engine.

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Mrs. W. H. Roark left Saturday for Houston to join her husband, who went there some time ago.

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There you are. It's a wonderful thing how folks are taking hold of this Tobacco Kit campaign. The quarters are coming in faster every day.

Every twenty-five cent piece will buy about twice that amount of good, American smokes and for some man at the front. We send them over through the aid of this Government, the French Government and the Red Cross. And each package carries a return postal card which bears the donor's name and address. That means a personal message to you from a soldier.

The first 100 kits paid for by the citizens of this city and county, will go forward in a few days, or just as soon as the order for one hundred kits is made. We only like a few more 25 cent contributions to make up the first lot of one hundred kits. Here they are: Previously reported..... 87 kits. W. E. Branch..... 1 kit. W. E. Bartlett..... 2 kits. Mrs. R. A. Smith..... 2 kits. Mrs. Bettie Holmes..... 2 kits. Edwin Skinner..... 1 kit. John Arch Stephens..... 1 kit. Ardath Stephens..... 1 kit. W. T. Routh..... 4 kits. W. J. Gardner (Winters)..... 4 kits. J. H. Tucker (Hatchel)..... 1 kit. Mrs. Judith Tucker..... 1 kit. A. W. Hill..... 1 kit. Mrs. W. R. Nunn..... 2 kits. Sarah and Ruth Hopkinson 2 kits.

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Rev. C. L. Ewing of Brownwood was in Ballinger a short while Saturday, going to Paint Rock.

Mrs. W. F. Robison, Misses Rank in, all of Miles were in Ballinger Saturday, shopping.

Miss Myrtle Currie left Saturday for Winters to visit a short while.

M. Barbee returned from a business trip to Sonora Saturday.

Mrs. McGee of Lampasas arrived in Ballinger Saturday to visit Mrs. E. L. Rasbury.

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FARMER JONES BUYS LIBERTY BONDS

W. P. Jones, a farmer of the Valley Creek community, walked into the F. & M. Bank at Ballinger Thursday morning and handed the cashier of the bank a check for \$500, saying, "I want to do my bit." The check was accepted and deposited to the credit of Uncle Sam, and Mr. Jones gets one of those beautiful Liberty Bonds, and in addition to helping his country he will receive an interest voucher twice each year, and will not have to worry about losing his five hundred dollar or about paying taxes on the money.

Dr. L. B. Stephens also lined up with the patriotic home guard, and subscribes for a \$100 bond thru the F. & M. Bank. Others will do likewise when they learn that government bonds are good as government money and bear interest while money does not bear interest except when it is tied up in securities, none of which are as same as government bonds.

Miss Frane Baker, who bought one of the first issue of Liberty Bonds, subscribed for one of the second issue today.

Mr. Walker of the F. & M. Bank stated Thursday that he felt sure that his bank would have no trouble in disposing of \$50,000 worth of the bonds for Uncle Sam by the time the sale closed. The government could place the bonds as fast as they could be issued to the eastern banks and millionaires, but the administration prefers to distribute the bonds among as many individuals as possible, and the banks will be compelled to take only what they can get.

Miss Willie Hutton returned Friday from Abilene, after visiting there a short while.

Robert Laseter of San Angelo was in Ballinger between trains Friday.

BALLINGER BOY TELLS OF U. S. NAVY LIFE

The following is a letter received Tuesday by W. A. Bridwell from Lee Hamilton, who volunteered in the U. S. Navy some time ago:
 Norfolk, Va., Oct. 11, 1917

Dear friend:
 Will drop you a few lines after so long a time. How is business? Fine, I hope. This leaves me O.K. and enjoying life. I like the navy fine. We arrived in Norfolk on Aug. 10th, and were here three weeks, and from here to Brooklyn Navy Yards, N. Y., and from there to the fleet. We were on the U. S. S. Michigan six days and were transferred to U. S. S. Ohio, and were on it three weeks, until it went into dry dock at Brooklyn. That's where we had our first liberty, and believe me, we sure did cut up. N. Y. is some burg. Brooklyn isn't bad either. We had liberty twice while there.

I am by myself now. Teak Stuart was left here, and I haven't heard from him since, and "Red" Mangum was left on the U. S. S. Ohio. The Ohio is a training ship and believe me, their regulations are sure strict. There were over a hundred of us sent back to Norfolk. There were just about twenty that made second-class firemen, and I was one, and was just in the fire room three weeks. Some of the boys enlisted in January, and haven't been rated.

All of the second class firemen were put on boilers over the yard for steam heat, and on small steamers. I am engineer on a 33-foot steam cutter. I took the place of a first-class fireman. The boat I am on has a crew of five men, one coxswain, one engineer, one fireman, and two second-class seamen.

We steam one day, stand by one day, and are off one. This is our day off. When we are steaming, we make regular trips. We steam to Norfolk, Berkley, and Portsmouth. It isn't over a mile to either place. Norfolk is a pretty nice place, about 100,000 population. Berkley has about 5,000, and Portsmouth has about 6,000.

We could not write much news while on board ship, as all our mail was censored. While we were on board, the fleet was around Sandy Hook, near Bridgeport, Conn. There were about fifty ships there when we were there, maneuvering around. It was sure a great sight.

I may be here when you get this and I may be in France—can't never tell. Boat crew gets liberty three nights out of four, and each day they are off. Hope I get to stay here this winter. It sure is a soft job. Just sit around in the engine room. I am here now, writing. That's why my writing is so wavy.

We carry about twenty-five passengers, but we are hardly ever loaded. U. S. S. Utah and U. S. S. Florida are in this yard now, also several U-boat destroyers and torpedo boats. We saw the U. S. S. New Mexico while in New York and when it is completed, it will be some boat. The Kaiser William and George Washington, German interned ships are there. They are some ships, too.

There was a furlough party of about 500 men here the other day, from the fleet. The fleet is going South now.

Well, as I haven't any news to write, will ring off. Write me soon and tell me all the news about old Ballinger. Tell everyone hello for me and be good. As ever.

Your friend,
 LEE HAMILTON,
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P. S.—You may drink a "coke" for me.

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J. L. Kennedy and wife and daughter of Eagle Branch, and Vernon Bond of Winters were in Ballinger Saturday.

Mrs. Cleve Crews of San Marcos returned home Saturday from Winters.

H. G. Seerest left Monday for El Paso, where he will enter the hospital corps of the army.

The Time May Come

when the duties of the wife will include the handling of the family finances.

Why not prepare against that day now, by bringing your wife to our bank and letting us explain to her how well we can assist her in this matter.

We will be glad to have you attend to this at once.



Rain Figures for 1917 Make "Dry" Reading

Our readers may not enjoy reading dry stories, but in keeping with the weather, we sometimes have to write on dry subjects. Here is about the driest that has come to our attention in some time.

The year 1917 started out with a snow. Four inches of snow fell on January 14th. That was encouraging, and the farmers smiled for miles. In fact, there was miles of smiles, and smiles for miles.

February gave us the go-by. Not a "drop" did it rain. The smiles began to dry up, because it will be recalled that this country received only 14.76 inches of water during the previous year. It rained 1.05 in. in March.

It rained 1.30 in. in April. It rained 3.30 in. in May. It rained 1.70 in. in July. It rained .65 in. in August. It has rained .10 in. so far in October.

The record shows a total of 8.75 inches of rainfall for the present year. This breaks the record for dry weather in this country, so far as history can reveal.

Putting the rainfall for the past two years together, dating from Oct. 1, 1915, the record shows that we have 26.16 inches, or just a little more than the twenty year average for one year.

After you have read these figures, you can draw on your imagination for water.

CAPT. VINING IS ASSIGNED TO BOSS NEWS WRITERS.

Col. C. L. Morgan is in receipt of a letter from his grandson, Capt. M. F. Vining, who received his commission at the officers training camp, and was assigned to duty. Capt. Vining is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Will Vining, of Austin, Mrs. Vining being the daughter of Col. Morgan, of this city. The young man visited Ballinger a time or two, and his friends here will be glad to know that he has received promotion after promotion until today he is a member of General Strong's staff at Camp Kearny, near San Diego, Cal., Gen. Strong being in command of the camp at that place. When Maj. Gen. Strong assumed command of Camp Kearny one of the first official acts was to designate an officer of his staff to have charge of newspaper activities at division headquarters. His order for a man to fill this place called for a commissioned officer with "journalistic experience" and the lot fell to young Vining, who had served successfully on the Galveston-Dallas News and on the San Antonio Express and other Texas papers in earlier days.

SANTA FE BUYS A \$10,000 LIBERTY BOND IN B'WOOD.

The Santa Fe railway company prepared the way Monday for a spurt in the buying of Liberty Bonds.

The railway company, through the bank of Brooke Smith & Co., bought a \$10,000 Liberty Bond, which is the largest individual amount so far invested here in the second Liberty Loan.

The Santa Fe is doubtless investing in Liberty Bonds at the various important points on its lines, and has adopted this method of patronizing the Liberty Loan, no doubt, as a courtesy to business interests of the towns that furnish the bulk of the business for the railway.—Brownwood News.

IT TAKES 2500 CARLOADS DAILY TO FEED ARMY

Approximately 2500 cars of food and other necessities are being delivered by the railroads at the cantonments where the national army and National Guard are being trained for service abroad, according to reports just received by the railroads' war board.

Accurate figures as to the extent to which the supplying of food and necessities for the soldiers at

JOHN FRANKLIN MOORE.

The training camps will intensify the transportation problems will not be available until all the camps have received their full quota. The task which the railroads have been asked to perform, however, is a difficult one. It involves the supplying of all the necessities of life for 1* non-productive cities of a population of 40,000 each and 56 smaller cities ranging in population from 300 to 3000. Altogether, more than 1,000,000 men, bathered at the various cantonments, must have their daily necessities brought to them by the railroads. As it takes at least five pounds of food per day for each soldier, in addition to the clothing, food, fuel and other supplies that are constantly needed, the railroads have their work cut out for them.

JOHN FRANKLIN MOORE.

John Franklin Moore, age 70 years, six months and one day, died at the home of his son, Mitchell Moore, Thursday morning at 1:30 o'clock.

Deceased had been in feeble health for some time, and for nearly two weeks he had been lingering at death's door, and the death was hourly expected.

Mr. Moore had many friends who will be made sad on account of his death, notwithstanding that he had rounded out three score and ten years of usefulness in this world and was ready to pass into the beyond.

Two sons, F. F. and Mitchell Moore of this city and Odell Moore, of Brownwood, have many friends in Ballinger who will join The Ledger in sympathy.

The funeral services were held at the residence of his son on 12th Street, at five o'clock Thursday afternoon, Rev. M. D. Seiggins conducting the services, and interment was made in the City cemetery.

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MANY COUNTIES GET ROAD MONEY

Austin, Tex., Oct. 15.—The state highway commission today granted state and federal aid to the following counties for the construction of roads:

Taylor, federal \$20,000; Shackelford, state \$7,000 and federal \$15,000; Mitchell, state \$8,238, federal \$13,000; Ward, state \$20,000, federal \$13,000; Webb, federal to the extent of 25 per cent of the cost of road construction.

The roads to be built and improved are all on the state highway No. 1, Fort Worth-El Paso highway with the exception of Webb county which is on No. 1 Meridian highway.

What's the matter with Rannels county people? They are paying their taxes, and so far as we know all auto owners have paid their auto tax. Are they going to stand off with their hands folded and let other counties in Texas comply with the road building law, secure state and federal aid for road building while we continue to drag along in a make-shift way and travel rough roads and in the end have highways circling around us, but none passing thru this county? Two highways have been offered to this county, one going north and south and one east and west, but we are told that we are in a good way to lose both as they will not be designated and approved by the state highway commission and no aid secured until they are made to comply with the requirements. Rannels county people are snoozing and we have about decided that they are satisfied with roads that are impassable. They don't seem to give a copper whether anybody comes to see them or not, and are willing to stay at home themselves, while other counties build good roads with our money.

Seed Wheat for Sale.

I have a lot of Pure Mediterranean seed wheat, raised in Brown county this year. The wheat yield this year without irrigation and on upland 20 bushels per acre, while all other wheat in that county yielded only an average of 10 bushels. Free from Johnson grass and weed seed. See samples at banks in Ballinger. Price \$3 per bushel f. o. b. Brownwood. R. L. Mouldin, Brownwood, Texas. 1-d2t-w4t—pd.

J. W. Wright of Content was in Ballinger Monday.

H. G. Secrest was in San Angelo Saturday.

J. E. Forbus of Winters spent a few hours in Ballinger Monday.

SIGNAL HONOR FOR BALLINGER PEOPLE

The San Antonio Express carried the picture of Dr. W. B. Halley together with a group of beautiful young ladies, in its issue Friday. The Express carried a detailed account of the state meeting of the Order Eastern Star which has been in session in that city for several days.

Ballinger was most signally honored at this meeting. Dr. W. B. Halley was elected Grand Patron and Mrs. J. Y. Pearce Grand Martha. The office of Grand Patron is the highest in the order state, and the selection of Dr. Halley to fill this place comes as quite an honor to him.

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\$50,000 CATTLE DEAL AT COLEMAN THIS WEEK.

Coleman Democrat-Voice. William Broad and John Pearce of Coleman have purchased the Fred Taylor herd of black muley cattle, and leased the Taylor ranch of 10,000 acres, together with 1,000 acres in farms, situated in McCulloch county. Delivery of the cattle and possession of the ranch was effected Monday. The Taylor herd of black muley cattle has been graded up for the last fifteen years and is recognized as one of the best grade herds in the country. The price was not made public, but the sale involved more than fifty thousand dollars. The herd included about 50 cows, 450 calves and the herd bulls, which are registered. One hundred Hereford cows were also transferred in the deal.

GRAND JUROR BUYS SMOKES FOR SOLDIERS.

W. J. Gardner, of the Winters country, who is serving as a grand juror, hands in a silver dollar and says it is for four kits of smokes for the soldiers in France. If the whales don't upset the boat and get the tobacco, Mr. Gardner will receive postal cards from four soldiers thanking him for the tobacco, as each package of the tobacco carries a self addressed stamped postal card for the soldiers to write to the man giving the tobacco.

WHAT TRAINING DID FOR BALLINGER BOYS

Louie Cohen is facing the problem of employing a private secretary to help him handle his mail. Every mail from Camp Travis brings Mr. Cohen a pocket full of letters from the Rannels county boys. When the work of giving the boys a little preliminary training was launched, it was known that the training of a few days here would be of great benefit to the boys, but it was not dreamed that the training would give them such advantages over their fellow comrades as the boys have received since arriving in Camp Travis. Here are just a sample of the letters Mr. Cohen is receiving: Dear Friend:

I want to thank you for your attention and interest given us. It sure has helped us out. I am now corporal. I will like army life better when I get acquainted. LEON THOMAS.

Dear Mr. Cohen: We have been inspected and found non-tickey. I want to thank you very much for your kindness to me and sure appreciate the interest you took in training us. I have been made a corporal; that is they gave me the "office" and if I make good I will hold that "end" of Camp Travis down. LINDON TIDWELL.

Capt. Louie Cohen: I like army life pretty well. Think I will be better satisfied when I get settled down. I was appointed corporal this afternoon, and can keep it if I make good. I am going to do that; that's what I am down here for. I certainly appreciate what you did for me. JOHN S. THOMPSON.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County, ss.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the city of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of One Hundred Dollars for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure. Frank J. Cheney. Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886. A. W. Gleason, Notary Public. (Seal)

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts through the blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System. Send for testimonials, free. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O. Sold by all druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

COST OF BREAD

San Antonio, Tex., Oct. 13.—Careful records kept at Fort Sam Houston on the cost of producing bread for the southern department to be 4,308 cents for a loaf which weighs a full sixteen ounces when one day old. Factors in the cost of the bread not included in the estimate are rental, lights, interest on investment and depreciation and the salaries paid workmen are lower than the scale for commercial bakeries. The cost record prepared are not only for the guidance of the army but also will be available for the government food administrator in considering regulation of bread prices.

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DEMOCRACY IN THE PULPIT

No American preacher with a spark of manhood, patriotism or love of God in his soul can read understandingly the violence of the German soldiery or the barbaric world-conquest dreams of the German autocracy and keep silent in his pulpit about the greatest tragedy in all human history through which we are now living.—Milwaukee Journal.

We are told almost daily of the great fact that every American has a part to play in the world war. Many preachers throughout the nation have left their pulpit and responded to their country's call. Those left behind can conquer the sin of autocracy by preaching true love of Americanism.

M. P. Tomlinson of Waxahachie arrived in Ballinger Monday on legal business.

NO HIGHWAY AID 'TILL ROADS COMPLETE

Oct. 8, 1917. To the members of the delegation of the Tex-O-Kan Highway association:

Your petition addressed to the State Highway Commission, asking for the designation of the Tex-O-Kan route from Hardeman county through Ford, Knox, Haskell, Jones, Taylor, Rannels, Concho, Menard, Kimball and Kerr counties, has been presented to us, and we have carefully considered same.

We are very much impressed with your proposed highway, and have concluded that the same is a logical and feasible route, and should be encouraged in every way possible by all the citizens of these counties.

We call your attention to the fact that the State Highway Department has already tentatively designated about ten thousand miles of proposed highways in the state, and has adopted the policy of withholding further designations until the commission has made more progress in the construction of these roads. And for this reason we have deemed it wise and prudent that we delay designation of further routes until these proposed highways are constructed, and when they have been built the State Highway Department will gladly designate these as state highways, provided they are built in a first-class, up-to-date and scientific manner.

If we should designate this route now, it would be some considerable time before these counties would be available for state and federal aid, as there are a number of roads already designated which are being built, which are consuming the available funds.

We desire to encourage your people to hasten the completion of the Tex-O-Kan highway, and if it meets the requirements, this commission pledges that it will designate the same as a State Highway.

What we mean by "first-class, up-to-date, scientific road," is one that can be travelled three hundred and sixty-five days in the year. We would suggest that your commissioners' court designate this Tex-O-Kan Highway as a first-class county road, which will permit such counties to use the maintenance fund from automobile revenues upon this road. Done By Order of the Commission. STATE HIGHWAY DEPT.

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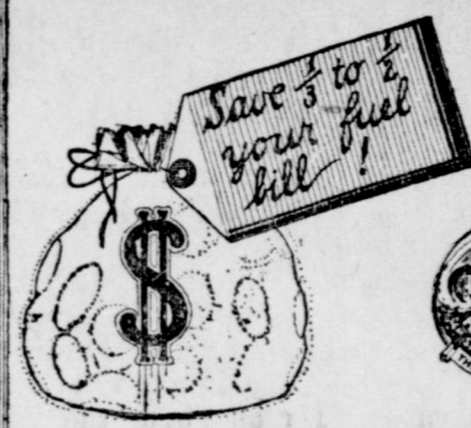
A large fifty-cent case of Pape's Diapepsin is worth its weight in gold to men and women who can't get their stomachs regulated. It belongs in your home—should always be kept handy in case of a sick, sour, upset stomach during the day or at night. It's the quickest, surest antacid for the stomach in the world.

AFTER DESERTERS.

San Antonio, Tex., Oct. 13.—Notice of \$50 reward for apprehension of men who failed to respond to the draft for the national army will be published in daily newspapers of Texas, Oklahoma, Arizona and New Mexico by the southern department in order to stimulate activity of civil authorities in rounding up slackers.

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"Going Over the Top" Will Not Be Hard for This Boy

Editor's Note—The following letter is reproduced through the courtesy of J. L. Stroble, proprietor of the City Cafe. It came to Mr. Stroble from U. S. Heavenhill. It has the ring of Americanism throughout every line and it will take something more than submarines, German bombs and gas to stop this young man:

Dear Friend Stroble: I am not very busy this morning, so I'll write you a few words. I am getting along fine; everything is as good, or better than I expected here. Of course it isn't like home, or the City Cafe, but we didn't expect that when we came here. Is it cold at home? We have a good stiff norther here, and it is pretty chilly.

I have not been to town yet and may not get to go until we get our uniforms. I wish you could see this camp. It is simply great; it's amazing how U. S. can do things in cases of emergencies like this. I am sure we didn't know how strong and resourceful our nation was until this crisis came. If the Kaiser could fully realize how swiftly and surely the U. S.'s great fighting machine was being perfected and made ready to grind the very life out of the German military autocracy, I am sure he would quit his job now and not let the inevitable crash to his government come. But if he is from Missouri and has to be shown, we boys certainly have the necessary qualifications to show him.

We get good substantial food and plenty of it, also have reasonably good sleeping quarters. I think most of the men will be very well satisfied after they fully realize what they are up against. Nearly every man realizes the necessity of doing his best and all

have a determination to accomplish the nation's objective as quickly as possible.

I bought two Liberty Bonds yesterday. It is a good way to save our wages and also aid our country in financing the war.

I have been made acting corporal along with nearly all the rest of Cohen's drilled men. I wish you would insist on all the boys you know who are coming in the next call to take the drill; it's beneficial to them and a great help to the fighting forces of our country. The need of men with just a small knowledge of military work is very great. Must answer roll call now, write me if you have time.

Your Friend,
U. S. HEAVENHILL.

Mrs. W. B. Compton and children of Austin, who had been visiting J. F. Compton and family of this city, returned home Saturday.



THE Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder troubles, dissolves gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1. One small bottle is two months' treatment and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Send for testimonials from this and other States. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists.—Adv. 6

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TAX PAYMENTS ARE COMING VERY SLOW

Business has been dull around the tax collector's office, and Tax Collector Chastain is doing the watchful waiting act, until the eleventh hour when, as usual, there will be a rust.

Up to date Mr. Chastain has issued less than twenty poll tax receipts and county and state taxes are coming in at about the proportion. The tax payers are not worrying about whether the county treasurer is "defunct" or not, but they are worrying about where the tax money is coming from and many are wondering what they can do to keep their property off the delinquent roll, and pay the debt that must be paid.

On account of the short crop, and the conditions of the masses, it is probable that the tax paying season will close out with the longest list of delinquents in the history of the county. This is speculative, however, as many people may be able to arrange their money matters so as to square themselves with the government.

A heavy delinquent list will work a hardship on the schools, people should make an effort to pay their school tax whether they are able to pay the state and county taxes or not. The city, county and state can run on a credit, but the school must depend on the tax money for operating expenses, the board having no authority to contract debts by borrowing money, and teachers must have their pay.

Mrs. Smith Recommends Chamberlain's Tablets.

"I have had more or less stomach trouble for eight or ten years," writes Mrs. G. H. Smith, Brewerton, N. Y. "When suffering from attacks of indigestion and heaviness after eating, one or two of Chamberlain's Tablets have always relieved me. I have also found them a pleasant laxative." These tablets tone up the stomach and enable it to perform its functions naturally. If you are troubled with indigestion give them a trial, get well and stay well.

Mrs. R. B. Creasy and Mrs. W. A. Tally returned home Saturday from San Antonio, where they had been attending the Eastern Star meeting.

THREE CENT STAMPS READY FOR LICKING

The local postoffice has received a supply of three cent stamps, the stamps that will become the most popular and commonly used after Nov. 2nd. A three thousand dollar shipment of the stamps were made to the local postoffice some time ago, shortly after it became known that the new postage bill would be adopted.

Beginning on November 2nd all letters addressed to out of town offices will have to bear three cents postage instead of two cents as at present. This does not mean that you must place a three cent stamp on every letter, for you can use three ones or one two and a one, but for convenience sake the three cent stamp will be the go, and you will only use the smaller denomination when you have them on hand.

Letters intended for distribution at the local office or what is known as drop letters will get by with a two cent stamp as at present.

The new rate also effects postal cards and on and after November 2nd it will require two cents to carry a postal to its destination. The local office has not yet received a supply of the two cent postals, but have instructions to stick on an extra one cent stamp to take care of the postal card trade until the new cards can be issued.

So much for the war.

NO MORE WOODEN CULVERTS

R. P. Kirk, commissioner from precinct one informed the Messenger a few days ago that he was putting in no more wooden culverts but using full width concrete. This is good as it not only gives permanency but adds safety. While Mr. Kirk has been in office less than twelve months the roads in his precinct already show him to be a first class road man and he assured the people that he has just begun. We are all hoping he will be able to finish the good work he has so well begun.—Miles Messenger.

J. A. Ostertag, embalmer for the Lankford Furniture Co. was called to Winters Friday to embalm the body of Theo. Schmoldt. Mr. Schmoldt died very suddenly at his home near Winters, Thursday night. The remains were buried at Winters.

LIVER DIDN'T ACT DIGESTION WAS BAD

Says 65 year Old Kentucky Lady, Who Tells How She Was Relieved After a Few Doses of Black-Draught.

Meadorsville, Ky.—Mrs. Cynthia Higginbotham, of this town, says: "At my age, which is 65, the liver does not act so well as when young. A few years ago, my stomach was all out of fix. I was constipated, my liver didn't act. My digestion was bad, and it took so little to upset me. My appetite was gone. I was very weak... I decided I would give Black-Draught a thorough trial as I knew it was highly recommended for this trouble. I began taking it. I felt better after a few doses. My appetite improved and I became stronger. My bowels acted naturally and the least trouble was soon righted with a few

doses of Black-Draught." Seventy years of successful use has made Theodor's Black-Draught a standard, household remedy. Every member, of every family, at times, need the help that Black-Draught can give in cleansing the system and relieving the troubles that come from constipation, indigestion, lazy liver, etc. You cannot keep well unless your stomach, liver and bowels are in good working order. Keep them that way. Try Black-Draught. It acts promptly, gently and in a natural way. If you feel sluggish, take a dose tonight. You will feel fresh tomorrow. Price 25c. a package—One cent a dose All druggists. J. 69

Advice to Americans Between 6 and 16 Years

Assuming that this letter is now being read by some boy or girl old enough to go to school but still young enough to be called a "kid" (by those who don't know any better) let us begin by asking the question, "Is it wrong to fight?"

Every boy or girl with civilized parents can answer that question. It is not to be answered by "yes," or "no."

If we say "yes" we admit at once that our old friend George Washington and U. S. Grant were depraved characters, because they fought and then kept on fighting.

If Buffalo Bill once upon a time rode out across the plains and came upon a band of Indians attacking a settler's cabin and went dashing up with his scouts and killed a few redskins, is there any boy in the world who would go back on Buffalo Bill and pick out some quiet, elderly real estate dealer as a substitute hero?

It's too foolish to talk about.

Suppose we say it is not wrong to fight. Then we remove all the blame from the Indians that Buffalo Bill killed and we find ourselves so mixed up that probably we had better back up and take a new start.

In answer to the question, "Is it wrong to fight," there can be but one sensible reply, as follows: "It all depends."

Suppose a boy of 14 was walking along the street with his sister and the neighborhood bully swaggers around the corner and pushes the boy up against the fence and cuffs him along-side the head and then tries some insulting familiarities on the sister, and suppose the boy who is thus humiliated and whose sister is in tears, suddenly remembers that he has been told to "keep out of fights!"

What shall he do?

Retreat to an alley, or stand up in defense of his own self-respect and try to protect his sister?

Suppose he says to the bully, "I believe in peace and no matter what you do to me, I won't attack you."

Then he would get a few more cuffs for good measure, and his sister would be ashamed of him and he would be ashamed of himself and the little rowdy who attacked him would call himself cock of the walk and be a greater nuisance than ever before.

The United States of America is involved in hideous war because President Wilson and Congress and all persons who are warned by red blood instead of being chilled by sarsaparilla pop had to make the same decision that every boy is called upon to make when he is jumped upon by a tough customer.

Another question (boys only): Did you ever let a boy up before he yelled "enough" and then have the whole fight over again?

If so, you might go around in your neighborhood and give some valuable information to people older than yourself.

If you (this is for both boys and girls) went out into the woods for a picnic with another "bunch" of young people you knew and liked and if your crowd had a basket of things to eat and the other crowd, would you give them some-toughies came along and stole the basket belonging to the other crowd, would you give the something to eat out of your basket, or let them sit over by themselves, hungry and miserable, and watch you stuff yourselves?

You'd play fair, of course, even if you had to go a little hungry.

Mr. Hoover is now asking every boy and girl in America to play fair and divide up with the hungry youngsters of France and Belgium and Great Britain.

There isn't enough food in the world to go around if we are selfish and claim more than our share. How can a boy or girl under high school age really help to win the war?

First join the Junior Red Cross. Then keep on saying, "I know Uncle Sam is right and I will pull for him until he wins."

Believe what you say. Root for the U. S. A. as you would root for your baseball nine or your basketball five.

Stand out on the edge of the sidewalk and cheer the soldiers as they swing by.

If you get a chance to hold yarn for a Red Cross knitter, do your "bit" and say to yourself, when your arms begin to get tired; "I am helping on a pair of socks and these socks will keep a soldier warm and prevent him from being ill or discouraged. When the

time comes for him to fight he will be in better condition and more willing to fight because he had these warm socks to wear. He will climb over the top of a trench and help chase the Germans back to where they belong. There will be a great victory, and I will share in it because I held the yarn that knit the socks that warmed the feet that carried the man that chased the German that obeyed the Kaiser that has to be kicked before the world can go back to bookkeeping."

Probably the children to whom we are now talking are better posted regarding United States history than are some of the people who talk about it.

The children have got the Declaration of Independence and the Emancipation Proclamation freshly in mind and know what they were about and why.

They know that this country is dead set against slavery, either of the old-fashioned kind of chains and shackles, or the modern sugar-coated German variety.

They know that our boys now in the training camps or on their way to France are getting ready to fight against the oppressions of a cruel despot, just as some other American boys once fought at old Bunker Hill.

By the way, if you can find a man or woman who does not understand how the rights of a democracy are to be preserved when kings go on the rampage, you might loan this ignorant person your school history. Mark the pages relating to the Boston Tea Party, the Liberty Bell, Lexington, Valley Forge and Yorktown.

See if you can find any favorable mention of the pacifists of 1776!

YOU CAN'T FIND ANY DANDRUFF AND HAIR STOPS COMING OUT

Save your hair! Make it thick, wavy glossy and beautiful at once.

Try as you will, after an application of Danderine, you can not find a single trace of dandruff or falling hair and your scalp will not itch, but what will please you most, will be after a few week's use, when you see new hair fine and downy at first—yes—but really new hair—growing all over the scalp.

A little Danderine immediately doubles the beauty of your hair. No difference how dull, faded, brittle and scraggy, just moisten a cloth with Danderine and carefully draw it through your hair, taking one small strand at a time. The effect is immediate and amazing—your hair will be light, fluffy and wavy, and have an appearance of abundance; an incomparable lustre, softness and luxuriance, the beauty and shimmer of true hair health.

Get a 25-cent bottle of Knowlton's Danderine from any drug store or toilet counter, and prove that your hair is as pretty and soft as any—that it has been neglected or injured by careless treatment. A 25-cent bottle will double the beauty of your hair.

THE BELLS OF HELL

"The bells of hell go ting-a-ling-a-ling

For you, and not for me; For me the angels sing-a-ling-a-ling.

They wait in heaven for me, O, death, where is thy sting-a-ling-a-ling.

O, grave, thy victory. The bells of hell go ting-a-ling-a-ling

For you, and not for me."

The above rhyme is a bit of soldier-theology as sung by the men as they went into battle. It was recited by Rev. Bruce Taylor of Montreal at a mess meeting held in Bloor Street Presbyterian church last night. The lines were cited as an illustration of the "profane but superb" faith of the soldiers who laugh in the face of death. Dr. Taylor was Chaplain of the 42nd Battalion and served for nearly a year at the front.

—Exchange.

Miss Retha Chambers came in Saturday from Miles to spend the week-end with her parents.

Children Cry for Fletcher's

CASTORIA

The Kind You Have Always Bought, and which has been in use for over 30 years, has borne the signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher* and has been made under his personal supervision since its infancy. Allow no one to deceive you in this. All Counterfeits, Imitations and "Just-as-good" are but Experiments that trifle with and endanger the health of Infants and Children—Experience against Experiment.

What is CASTORIA

Castoria is a harmless substitute for Castor Oil, Paregoric, Drops and Soothing Syrups. It is pleasant. It contains neither Opium, Morphine nor other narcotic substance. Its age is its guarantee. For more than thirty years it has been in constant use for the relief of Constipation, Flatulency, Wind Colic and Diarrhoea; allaying Feverishness arising therefrom, and by regulating the Stomach and Bowels, aids the assimilation of Food; giving healthy and natural sleep. The Children's Panacea—The Mother's Friend.

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THE CENTAUR COMPANY, NEW YORK CITY.

LOCAL BANKS

DELIVERING BONDS

If you failed to get one of the first series of Liberty Bonds, you don't know what you miss. They look like a batch of great big twenty dollar bills pinned together. They are beauties and are worth one hundred cents on the dollar and then some, because they bear interest, and twenty dollar bills do not bear interest. The local banks received their allotment of the bonds first of this week, and have been delivering them to the subscribers to the first issue. Those who receive the bonds, so they say, not only feel their patriotism, but feel like they have planted an investment where it will yield them returns.

\$28.67 NET FOR CALVES.

J. Stubblefield, of Norton, was here Saturday, and while here received returns from a bunch of calves he shipped to Fort Worth, first of the week. The calves netted him \$28.67 around. Pretty good for calves and Mr. Stubblefield said that he was very well satisfied.

Durward McKenzie returned Friday from Abilene to spend the week-end with his parents near Ballinger.

CAMP TRAVIS BOYS

BUYS LIBERTY BONDS

E. D. Walker of the F. & M. Bank, is in receipt of a letter from his son Edmund, who is stationed at Camp Travis. The young man writes his father that the soldiers enjoyed pay day this week, and many of the boys invested their money in Liberty Bonds. According to the letter more than one hundred thousand dollars worth of the bonds were subscribed for by the soldiers at Camp Travis alone.

Think of that. You are enjoying home and association of loved ones, and then, if you have any conscience at all and a little spare money, don't stop until you get to the bank and place your order for a Liberty Bond. America's young men are not only giving their lives to the government, but are giving their money. We trust the Kaiser will get the news.

Whenever You Need a General Tonic Take Grove's.

The Old Standard Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic is equally valuable as a General Tonic because it contains the well known tonic properties of QUININE and IRON. It acts on the Liver, Drives out Malaria, Enriches the Blood and Builds up the Whole System. 50 cents.

Mrs. J. Spence returned to San Angelo Saturday.

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 pleasure, 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.

RELIABILITY ACCOMMODATION
The Ballinger State Bank
& Trust Co.
STRENGTH SERVICE

COME! TO THE STORE THAT HAS THE MERCHANDISE FOR YOUR FALL PURCHASES

When you stand on the threshold of this dry goods emporium, view the mammoth stocks of "quality" merchandise that we have gathered for your coming. When you price this same merchandise and see the economy of the price and know that your dollar is buying a full hundred cents,—you will know why we lay claim that this is the right place to trade.

ONE PRICE POLICY—We know that our prices are absolutely correct and adhere strictly to the one price system. Buying our merchandise at the right price from the right place, buying for cash, selling for cash, with reasonable profit makes this an ideal place to trade and this store each day is taking on new customers because people like this way of selling merchandise. Are you one of these satisfied customers? If not—why not?

Childrens Union Suits

An exceptional value—50 dozen E. Z. button band unions, drop seat, shoulders tape reinforced, boys and girls styles, sizes 2 years to 14 years; the best, priced at

75c

Women's Unions

This department is splendidly fitted up to meet your needs—Many styles from the plain cotton weaves to the high grade "De Luxe" styles, priced from

75c up to \$2.95

Crib Blankets

A nice, warm blanket of animals and mother goose figures; blue and pink finished edges, all pure cotton, the price.....75c

Cadet Hose

There's none better for school wear; misses and boys—reinforced heel and toes with linen finished heavy rib, 3 pair for..... \$1.00

Women's Shoes

A special lot, mostly small sizes, lace and button styles, worth up to \$3.50—opportunity for the woman with a small foot\$1.95

Men's Work Shirts

Every size, light blue, medium blue, chambray and cheviot, full cut, long sleeves, attached collars, the price...75c

Black Silk Sox

A fast black fabric silk, reinforced heels and toes, double soles, worth 35c, has the appearance of the 50c kind, priced at25c

Now's the Time to Buy---Economical Prices---Full Stock---Easy Selections

Plain Kid Women's Boots

Neat, plain lace boots in an abundance of styles and qualities, Louis and half Louis heels, domestic and imported kids, blacks and plain pastel shades, all widths A to E.

Plain Blacks

Many choice styles, made on the newest lasts with long vamps and slightly recede toes, American and imported kids, flexible turned soles, leather and covered heels, priced at from \$5.00 up to \$10.00

Pastie Shades

Beautiful pearl greys, also dark greys, ivory and plain white kids. "Wickert" and other makes, splendid fitting styles, these beautiful boots shown in many widths, priced at \$1.50 up to \$13.50

Practical Purchases

Cotton Flannel

A heavy grade unbleached heavy tulleed both a good fleece, the right grade for all purpose family use, worth full 20c per yard, our price.

14 1-2c

Percales

The extra wide 36 inch kind, a cambrie finish, light stripes, small figures for shirts and waists, also dark dress styles, priced at

20c

Heavy Outing

Solid colors, light stripes, dark underwear style, a full 27 inch fabric for family use, worth full 20c, on to lays market, our price

15c

Huck Towels

A face and hand towel for hard usage, very firm in texture, plain white or Turkey red woven borders, hemmed ends, size 18 by 36 inches, each

12 1-2c

"Hope" Domestic

This special good grade, made by Lonsdale, full 36 inches wide, no starch, bleached pure white, the best all-purpose domestic made, our price.

14 1-2c

Serges

36 inch width, storm and French weaves splendid quality for making children's school dresses, colors red, navy blue, grey and black, extra value

75c

Cotton Blankets

Color, a medium grey, a splendid weight, blue and pink borders, full finished edges, a good size for double bed, price per pair

\$1.95

Table Damask

A mercerized finish of splendid weight, extra good texture and finish, bleached a pure white, floral center with border to match, a splendid grade for

65c

Childrens Hose

Extra value, in sizes 6 to 9, made by the new lock-stitch machines, a fine rib, shaped heels, perfect finish toe and top, a good one for

15c

Ladies' Vests

Bleached pure white, a good grade, with long sleeves, tape at neck, pearl buttons down front, long and full, the price

39c

Combination Colored Boots

A strong feature of our shoe department, are the many beautiful combination colorings that are being shown, carried in all widths and lasts. Let us fit your foot.

"Wickert Make"

There's none better for style, for fit, for wear, ivory and tan, pearl and taupe, white and black, full Louis heel, hand turned soles 9 inch lace boots, priced at \$10.00

"Dutchess Make"

Another splendid line of high grade footwear, leather Louis heel, turned soles in ivory and tan, tan and brown, white and brown, also white and black in military heels, priced at \$7.50 and \$5.00

Men's Hats

Whether it is a staple black, a white, or a novelty, this department can supply just the style that you want, for the boy, the young man and for the older man, at prices that are reasonable.

"Stetson"

The old reliable, known the world over for quality, all the staple shapes, also the new novelties, priced at \$4.50 up to \$7.50.

"Haves"

Many novelty shapes, browns, greys, greens, in the new crush shapes, plain felts and velour finishes, priced at \$3.50.

"Longley"

Pocket shapes, Columbia and Congress, in blacks and whites, made from selected quality felt, a splendid hat for \$3.50.

Novelty Caps

A big counter filled with many styles for the young man, fancy plaids, small checks and solid colors, also boys' caps in serges and corduroys, priced 75c up to \$1.50.

The New Millinery

You should visit this department, see the many beautiful hats that are being shown for every occasion—for street wear, for dress wear—individual styles that have that chic attractive look, made by Elzee and Fisk, direct from their work rooms to this department.

For Women

Many beautiful creations for the fall of 1917 of Pann Velvet and Hatters Plush, colorings of Plum, Taupe, Purple, Green, Brown, Black and Navy—the new trimmings, feather edges, Feathers, pom poms and velvet bows, priced upwards from \$3.50 to \$12.00

Ready-to-Wear

Completeness—hundreds of beautiful garments from which choosing is made easy by the many styles shown—economy of price, made possible by going direct to the manufacturers and buying, correct in style. Months of forethought and choosing brings you a stock that has no equal.

A Belted Coat

Made of splendid weight cheviot, colors of grey and brown mixture, cotton warp with a wool filling; an extremely smart looking garment that will give splendid service; weight enough that it requires no lining, belted across front, collar, cuffs and pockets brown velvet trimmed, priced at \$8.75.

Serge Dresses

A new style—the smart trimming touches are portrayed in the fancy braided and embroidered collar and belt; the skirt is gathered at the side, white serge collar and cuffs. There's no garment that will give more satisfaction than a blue serge, the price is only \$10.00

Serge Suits

Where can you get more service than out of a wool serge, 36 inch coat with a collar of same material with an over collar of velvet? Extra quality floral satine lining, skirt is smooth fitting at front, gathered back, coat is belted, all sizes up to 44, the price only \$15.00

For Children

Misses hats in the new velvets, the new felts—many attractive styles for all kinds of wear, also for the children; many from which to choose. Little bonnets, pretty velvet hats, also small shape felts, priced upward from \$1.25.

Misses Coats

A splendid assortment of the many good styles to fit the young ladies in ages 16 to 20, coats for all kinds of wear, astrakhan, chevriots, velveteen, kersey and plush, priced upwards from \$4.95.

Chiffon Satin

One of the new models with side drapery, colors cocoa brown, blue and black, embroidered chemille on the front, collar of soft white silk, vestee effect, is finished with sash effect, sleeves of Georgette, one of the new styles that you should see, priced at \$14.95.

Plush Coats

A beautiful quality of fine seal plush in a brilliant balek, a wonderfully stylish garment with a large cape collar of grey nutria fur, with cuffs to match and wide band around bottom; this only one of the many handsome models that are being shown at \$24.75.

Children's Coats

Warm coats for school wear in ages 6 to 12, just the coat that you want, chevriots, corduroys, velvets, velours, the right style, price and quality, priced upwards from \$4.95

Womens Sweaters

There's no garment that you can buy that will give more warmth on a cold day, many attractive styles, reds, blues, greys, greens and rose, large sailor collars, belted styles, price upwards from \$3.00

Womens Waists

Crepe de chine, Georgette and Lingerie, many beautiful waists from which to make selections, new styles, extra values well made, priced upwares from \$2 to \$10.00

DRESS Gingham

Staple checks, small plaids stripes and solid colors; good quality fast colors, book fold worth 16½c, our price only

13c

Good Outing

Hundreds of yards of stripes, blues, pink and fancy mixtures, just the right weight for gowns and children's underwear, worth 15c yard, our price only

11c

SHOES For Women

Good serviceable shoes taken from regular stock—patents, kids, gun metal—button and lace styles, worth \$4.00 and \$4.50 grades, all on one big table, priced at

\$2.95

Shoes for Children

A table full of real shoe values—plain kid, gun metal, box calf, patents—lace and button styles, worth \$2 and \$2.50 in real value, sizes 8½ to 2, your choice

\$1.45

Our Shoe Department Makes a Specialty of Fitting Shoes Properly

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