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Artillery Battle Raging on 30 Mile Front

Oil Drill Making 100 Feet Every 24 Hours

CHANGING CITY LIMITS

The survey is being made and an ordinance drafted which will cause a shrinking up in the corporate limits of Ballinger. The map of Ballinger now covers the country from north bank of Elm creek the law govern such matters, the river at the point where the two bridges span the streams. Under the law govern such matters, the state and federal highway commission made it known that they can not appropriate money for road or bridge improvements within the city limits. Ballinger does not propose to stand in the way of public improvements in this county, and does not claim any title to the two bridges and in order to show her good faith in that claim the city commission has taken the proper steps of throwing the bridges out of the city limits. The highway commission is familiar with this move and endorses it as being the proper thing to do under the circumstances in order that the needed improvements in highway can be carried on without conflicting with the red tape and strict letter of the law.

C. C. Cockrell, who has been a faithful member of the Ledger's reportorial staff, is off the job again for an indefinite period. Mr. Cockrell will spend several days recuperating on the farm of G. W. Wilson on the Colorado river, and is planning a visit to his sons at Tulsa, Okla. He is the nominee for District Clerk of this county, and will be elected at the November election. Mr. Cockrell is a veteran in the newspaper game, and his leave of absence at this time does not indicate by any means that he is out for keeps. This newspaper game is a habit that is a great deal harder to throw off than the habit of drinking cold beer in a brewery town on a hot summer day. The district clerk's office does not pay a salary equal to that checked out by a railroad president, and if Mr. Cockrell has any spare time while looking after the duties of that office to do newspaper work, and the Ledger needs his services, he will have right of way over any other men. Before leaving for the country Mr. Cockrell says, please announce a rain for Wednesday.

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The drill in the Russell well on Grape Creek is making about one hundred feet every twenty-four hours. The drill never stops except for repairs, or to shift bits of insert casing.

The drill is now to a depth of about 1200 feet, the first 800 feet being drilled almost through solid rock. Of course the speed maintained during the last few days will decrease as the depth of the well increases.

This well is being watched from far and near. The Gulf Producing Co., is back of the development, and the field in that particular part of the county will be thoroughly tested if depth counts for a test. Geologist made favorable reports on this location, and the company drilling are very hopeful for a rich find.

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THINKS CHICKEN THIEF STARTED BARN FIRE

F. L. Gerhart, of the Crews country, was here Tuesday, and dropped in to request us to thank his friends and neighbors through the Ledger for the help given him last Friday night when his barn was destroyed by fire. Mr. Gerhart says it was due to the assistance of his neighbors that he did not also lose his home by fire as the sparks were blown towards his home.

"I am sure that the man who tried to steal my chickens is the man who set my barn on fire," said Mr. Gerhart. About ten days ago Mr. Gerhart shot at some one who was in his chicken lot filling a sack with chickens. The thief fled leaving his filled sack behind.

Mr. Gerhart states that he lost a barn that cost him about \$600 and considerable feed, and would have lost his auto and farm implements, if the fire had not been discovered before it gained headway.

He had \$390 insurances.

Miss Grace De Witt underwent a minor operation Tuesday morning at the Halley & Love Sanitarium, and is now resting as well as could be expected.

Germans Marching on Russian Capitol

CROPS CUT FIFTY PER CENT

J. J. Yerby is at home from a visit to his old home at Hillsboro, where he owns farm interest. Mr. Yerby says that no rain has fallen in that section of the state during the crop making period and that it is dry throughout north Texas. The crops have been depreciated at least fifty per cent within the last thirty days.

CAVALRY MAY GO TO FT. STOCKTON

San Angelo, Aug. 13—Reports that the government has designated Fort Stockton as the site for the location of the new cavalry training camp, were current in San Angelo Monday morning, but no definite confirmation of the story could be obtained. The Orient railroad has been in close touch with the situation since army officers from Fort Sam Houston inspected sites at Alpine and Fort Stockton, but it was understood at noon that officers here had received nothing that would confirm the reports. The board of city development, which has had frequent correspondence with army heads was also 'in the dark.'

Since the inspection of sites at Fort Stockton and Alpine, in July it has been persistently rumored that the government will train troops at both points, thus having two camps instead of one. Regardless of these reports, it is believed by local business men that San Angelo's chances of securing the camp are still as good as those of any other town. Complete data upon the city's advantages, with maps and photographs has been submitted and the board of city development has volunteered to send a committee to San Antonio.

CITY LIMITS WATER SUPPLY

The city commissioners have their heads together Tuesday and spent some time discussing the water situation. The city water supply is rapidly decreasing and unless rain comes soon the situation will become more serious than earlier in the season when the river was the basis of supply for several weeks, as the river is practically dry.

Notice will be served on the Santa Fe to discontinue using water for irrigation purposes, and to arrange to supply water for their engines in case of emergency. The county has also been notified to discontinue irrigation the court house lawn, and other restrictions governing the use of water will be announced in the month continues.

Ballinger has been fortunate in having a supply of water to furnish the consumers to keep their garden, trees, etc., going and it is the hopes of the commissioners that this will not have to be discontinued, but fire protection must be provided.

Miss Lucile Yeager will leave Wednesday afternoon for Tyler, where she goes to enter the Tyler Commercial College, and take a stenographic course.

David Gregory is at home from a few days camping at Christoval.

Scott H. Mack and family are home after spending a pleasant Sunday at Christoval.

Copenhagen, Aug. 13—Helsingfors dispatches received here today state that German troops are marching on Petrograd. Reliable reports received later state that the Germans would occupy Petrograd and take all necessary steps for the controlling of the Russian situation.

CANDIDATES FAILED TO FILE ACCOUNT

Article 232 election law, "Failure of candidate to file statement."—Any candidate for any public office who fails to file with the county judge of his county, within ten days after date of primary or general election, an itemized statement of all money or things of value paid or promised by him before or during his candidacy for such office, including his traveling expenses, hotel bills and money paid to newspapers, and make affidavit to the correctness of such an account, showing to whom paid or promised, whether he was elected or not, is guilty of a misdemeanor, and, on conviction, shall be fined not less than two hundred nor more than five hundred dollars, or may be sentenced to work on county roads not less than thirty days nor more than twelve months.

The above is the law, and below are the names of the candidates who have complied with same. The name of the candidates who failed to comply with the law are several. They may be able to get by the court, and they may not. The grand jury handles such matters:

- C. R. Stephens, \$47.00.
- C. C. Cockrell, \$31.50.
- O. L. Parish, \$68.00.
- W. C. McCarver, \$166.00.
- W. L. Brown, \$79.00.
- J. R. Holloway, \$89.75.
- Mike C. Boyd, \$44.15.
- M. D. Chastain, \$167.50.
- L. S. Bird, \$207.50.
- J. D. Perkins, \$72.50.
- J. E. Powell, \$10.00.
- R. P. Kirk, \$5.00.
- Paul Trimmer, \$10.00.
- W. D. Meadows, \$15.00.
- S. Y. Little, \$18.60.
- I. A. Curry, \$28.25.
- G. D. Smith, \$20.00.

The heaviest expense as shown in statements filed by the candidates was for assessments made by the executive committee in creating a fund to defray the expenses of holding the election. In two or three of the offices this assessment amounts to as much as \$130 per candidate. Most of the candidates for minor precinct offices, such as constable, justice of the peace and cotton weigher, filed their accounts, but are not given above.

Kansas City, Aug. 12—Reuben W. Milton, a Missouri Pacific engineer of Joplin, Mo., was perfect willing his son Earl R. Milton should go to war as a Marine, but he wanted to drive the train that carried him on his first lap of his journey to Berlin.

Young Milton was to come here from Joplin with two of his pals to enlist, but his transportation read via the Frisco line. At the request of the elder Milton they were transferred to the Missouri Pacific and engineer Milton drove the train carrying the three embryo devil-dogs.

Amsterdam, Aug. 14—A big battle is in progress between Czech Slovaks and 150,000 Bolshevik troops along the middle of the Volga river, near Simbirsk, says German dispatches received here today.

Paris, Aug. 14—An artillery battle is raging along a thirty mile front between the Avre and Oise river, the French war office announces. The German raids along the Vesle river have been repeated and the allies advanced at several points. French made successful raids in the Champaign front.

London, Aug. 14—Gen. Haig announces increased activity in Flanders with slight advancement of the British lines at two points in the center of the salient. Artillery also continues in Picardy, but no infantry actions are reported today.

With the French, Aug. 14—After being temporarily held up for one day on the Somme, the allies have again launched forward with heavy artillery and the first stroke proved successful. To the south the French made satisfactory gains, capturing prisoners.

(By United Press)

On the Picardy front, the French today, made important gains on a front of nearly twenty miles extending from the center of the advance. Roye is menaced by the right wing southeast of Ribecourt. Roye, Lassigny and Ribecourt are all threatened by the flanking operations as a result of the advance. Roye is menaced from the west and south and southwest.

During the night the Americans and British advanced slightly north of the Somme river and the British improved their positions near Roye.

On the northern bank of the Somme, where the Americans and British planted Old Glory in the face of a bitter contest Monday, the new line has been strengthened and the allies hold fast after repulsing counter attacks.

This week's gains adds to the strategic value of the new territory and further German retirement will be the result of the new offensive.

Thousands of new prisoners are being taken and sent back from the front, and at this hour it is estimated that the allies have captured more than 75,000 prisoners in the present drive.

On the Vesle and Aisne rivers

front the Americans and French have by counter attacks gained back their positions temporarily lost in Fismelle sector.

With the French, Aug. 12—The French troops are closing in upon the important base of Lassigny. The army had advanced within two miles of the place, after capturing Cury two miles southwest. They have also advanced south of Loges Wood, capturing many prisoners as they swept forward on the heels of the enemy.

Little change is reported elsewhere.

With the British, Aug. 12th.—The allies have taken the western edge of Bray, and are advancing successfully. (Bray is five miles southwest of Albert and is the important point on the Somme river west of Pronne.)

The Germans are reported to be heavily counter attacking on the front near Roye.

The French have captured Lœchelle and made further advance on an eighteen mile front between the Arve and the Oise rivers.

London, Aug. 12—The British continue their advance and have progressed within four miles of Roye, capturing Armancourt, Tilloy, the British war office announces.

Additional progress is being made astride the Somme river where the French and British lines joined east of Mericourt and Etinehem.

The Germans made counter attacks south of Lihons, but were easily repulsed and prisoners captured.

Paris, Aug. 10.—Laliberte, news paper, declares that Montdidier has been captured by the French and Americans. The reports say the allies have advanced beyond Montdidier, and that the Germans were caught before they had time to escape and thousands of prisoners were captured.

Paris, Aug. 10.—Early war office communicate received here today says that the French suddenly attacked south of Montdidier and practically surrounded the city. The new attack was made on a three mile front between Ayencourt and Lefretoy. The French penetrated four miles north and eastward of Favrolles, taking several villages in the first drive, and without checking.

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**BOLL WORM HITS
IRRIGATED COTTON**

One-fourth of a splendid crop along the Main Concho river, east of San Angelo, has been lost as a result of the ravages of boll worm and unless the pests are exterminated, further loss is inevitable. This was a report obtained Friday from L. G. Sumrall, county agricultural demonstration agent, after an inspection of the infested farms made on Thursday.

The farmers feared that the pink pealed to Mr. Sumrall, who motored to Mr. Sumrall, who motored to the community, accompanied by J. B. Tinsley of Pinedale, agricultural agent for the Santa Fe who happened to be in the city.

R. A. Balkum, Levi Balkum, L. M. Reed and five other irrigation farmers in the edge of Tom Green county had 2,000 acres of the prettiest cotton imaginable for West Texas, said Mr. Sumrall Friday. Some of it would have made a bale to the acre; in all, there would have been at least 1,200 bales. Then the boll worm began to do their work, and the prospects are not bright now.

There is no known remedy for boll worms, says Mr. Sumrall, although frequent cultivation during hot weather sometimes serves to kill them. Arsenate of lead is also sometimes used, but it is not a sure poison.

Had the damaged fields near Miles been infected with the pink boll worms, it would have been necessary to destroy the entire crop and quarantine a large district.

Attorney S. C. Harris left Saturday for Houston with the view of locating for the practice of law in that city.

Joe E. Reed, of Concho, who had been spending a short furlough with his parents passed through Ballinger Saturday en route to Camp Travis.

**NEWSPAPERS INSTRUCTED
TO REDUCE THEIR SIZE**

Washington.—The War Industries Board today is preparing pledges to be sent paper mills and newspapers assuring drastic economy in the use of the paper, including deduction of 15 per cent of the paper, on week-day editions and 6 per cent on Sunday editions.

The board also has ruled that during the war "no new newspapers shall be established."

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Smith, who lives east of the city passed through Ballinger Friday en route to Lampasas to visit relatives a few weeks.

WOMEN SUFFER

From those conditions of the blood and nerves in which the combination treatment, Hood's Sarsaparilla, fore, acting and Peptonin give as much satisfaction as a little rest as compared with all medicines or physicians' fees.

These two great medicines are especially effective in cases of general weakness, nervous irritability, run-down conditions in which there is a loss of energy.

Ask your druggist for them.

**A CHILD HATES OIL,
CALOMEL, PILLS FOR
LIVER AND BOWELS**

Give "California Syrup of Figs" if cross, sick, feverish, constipated.

Look back at your childhood days. Remember the "dose" mother insisted on—castor oil, calomel, cathartics. How you hated them, how you fought against taking them.

With our children it's different. Mothers who cling to the old form of physic simply don't realize what they do. The children's revolt is well-founded. Their tender little "insides" are injured by them.

If your child's stomach, liver and bowels need cleansing, give only delicious "California Syrup of Figs." Its action is positive, but gentle. Millions of mothers keep their harmless "fruit laxative" handy; they know children love to take it; that it never fails to clean the liver and bowels and sweeten the stomach, and that a teaspoonful given today saves a sick child tomorrow.

Ask your druggist for a small bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly on each bottle. Beware of counterfeits sold here. See that it is made by "California Fig Syrup Company." Refuse any other kind with contempt.

Mrs. Kirt Guin of Sweetwater, who had been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Carl S. Guin the past week, returned home Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Crews and little daughter, of Winters, passed through Ballinger Friday en route east to visit relatives a few weeks.

Elmer Marshall of the Maverick country left Saturday for Maoni, Arizona, where he will do ranch work during the fall months.

R. B. Creasy left Friday afternoon for Brenham, where he goes to place one of his largest Gin Saw Files.

E. D. Futch left Friday afternoon for Corpus Christi and other points in South Texas, where he will buy cotton for a few months.

Preston McKinley, who has been in the saddle and harness business at Miles for several years, has moved to Dallas, where he accepted a position in a saddle shop. We trust he will succeed and some day return here.

Clinton Reese, of South Ballinger, left on the afternoon train for Benoit to visit his grand-father, Sam Reese and family a few weeks.

E. M. Jones and family of Talpa motored over to Ballinger Friday and spent the day with Mr. Jones' brother, W. C. Jones and family, who recently moved to Ballinger from Coleman.

Mrs. Florence Ashmore of Comanche, is here visiting her father, W. C. Jones and family.

Bernice Marjory and Clarence South left Thursday for a trip through the Fort Stockton country in search of grass for their cattle.

Jack Nichols, a life-time Runnels county boy, writes from Lancaster, Texas, for the Ledger to be sent to him at that place. He left Ballinger with his family about a week ago.

Miss Shepherd, who has been visiting her grand father, W. B. Fletcher and family at Bronte and her brother Carl Shepherd of our city, left Friday afternoon for Brownwood where she will visit for a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Armstrong received a letter Friday from their son, Ervin, who is now serving in the U. S. Navy at San Pedro, Cal., and says he is enjoying army life, and the citizens of the city offer the soldier boys many courtesies, and make life as pleasant as possible for them while away from home.

Uncle Joe Routh, of Andrews came in Friday to visit relatives and Ballinger friends a week or two.

E. L. Rasberry returned home Saturday at noon from Kansas City where he had been on a business trip the past two weeks.

**GULF COAST STORM
KILLS 26 PEOPLE**

Lake Charles, La., Aug. 8.—Further information assembled here tonight from the territory in the path of the tropical hurricane which struck southwest Louisiana Tuesday afternoon, raised the total of dead to twenty-six and placed the number of those injured so seriously as to require medical attention at sixty-one.

In Lake Charles eleven were killed and twenty-seven injured, at Gerstner field three were killed and fifteen injured; at Big Lake three were killed and six injured; at Oakgrove, in Cameron parish five were killed; at De Quency there were two deaths; at Creole in Cameron parish, three were hurt by falling timbers, one from the same cause at Black Bayou near Lake Charles, and two hurt at Babler.

**BIG DRIVE MADE ON
BALLINGER SINNERS**

There was a time when the country-townites stood on the street corner and made sneering remarks at the little group of a half dozen or less people who would gather with their base drum and tambourine and in a most humble attitude appeal to man to give up his sinful ways.

Today there are half dozen men in Ballinger working faithfully calling on the hundreds of men and women to contribute of their means for the support of this army of salvation workers, and the workers are getting the money.

Signs and banners are held up to the gaze of the street walker, appealing to him to "kick in" and help the organization that was the first to help the soldiers at the front and the last organization in war work to call for help.

Runnels county has been asked to give \$2500 for the Salvation Army work, which is being so successfully carried on at the front. President Wilson and the highest army officers have placed their stamp of approval upon the campaign to raise this money for the Salvation Army. The approval should not have been necessary, when the cause for which the money is raised is taken into consideration, but we have some people who are opposed to giving away their money, if it does go to relieve suffering of body and mind of the soldiers who are sacrificing life for these close-fisted tight-wads who remain at home, and the committee who has charge of raising this fund in America at this time secured the endorsement of the high officials with the hopes that it would make these tight-wads loosen up.

When the committee calls on you, remember that there is no limit to the minimum amount you subscribe for the Salvation Army accepts even the pennies when they turn their drum up for the collection on the streets.

Don't govern the amount you give by the condition of the country—let your conscience be the guide.

WHAT THE GOVERNOR SPENT

The state candidate files his expenses in the county where he resides, or calls home. According to the sworn statement of Gov. Hobby filed with the county judge at Beaumont, he spent \$715.45. Ferguson's expense account filed in Bell county shows that he spent \$3,825. The campaign committee of both of the candidates for governor runs high into the thousands.

J. M. Edwards, candidate for state treasurer, filed his account with the county judge of Runnels county, showing that he spent \$1179.30.

**MRS. H. D. PIERCE'S
RESIDENCE BURNS**

Mrs. H. D. Pearce, formerly of Ballinger, and who with her husband for many years conducted the Pearce Hotel in this city, lost her home by fire at Robert Lee a few days ago. Mrs. Pearce's son-in-law and family were occupying part of the house and the two families lost all they had in the house, and had no insurance.

Mrs. Douglass Allen and two children, and Miss Mary Coulson, of Coleman, are visiting their grand father, Col. C. L. Morgan and John A. Weeks and family.

**UNDER EIGHTEENS
LET OUT OF GUARD**

Carrying out orders received from high authorities who are working out plans for federalizing the National Guard cavalry troops organized some time ago, Capt. L. B. Stephens let six boys out of his company Saturday. The boys dismissed were not eighteen years old, and notwithstanding that their parents had consented for them to join the company, the army officials announced that they could not be accepted.

Capt. Stephens still has a full company, and the day for federalizing the troops rapidly draws near, as is evidenced by the fact that defects in the organization are being worked out by the authorities and everything made ready for taking the company into the regular service.

The company continues regular training and quite a number of them are being cared for out of a fund provided for that purpose.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Davis, of the Truitt country were shopping in Ballinger Saturday.

**THREE GIRLS ESCAPE FROM
GATESVILLE REFORMATORY**

Sheriffs of this section of Texas were notified Wednesday by the superintendent of the State Reformatory at Gatesville, to be on the lookout for three girls who escaped from the girls training school there on Monday night. The girls were thought to be heading for Fort Worth. —Brownwood Bulletin.

Mr. and Mrs. Heierman and children came in overland from Pecos county Monday, to visit a few days with Mrs. Heierman's father, Express Agent Stokes and family. They report heavy rains last Wednesday in the Pecos country.

HELP YOUR GOVERNMENT

By conserving leather. To you good shoe repairing means economy, comfort. Quality work with Quality Material is our specialty. Don't forget we repair Auto and Buggy Tops in the best manner and on short notice. Shoe repairing a specialty—W. C. Drennan at the bat.

EBB CATHEY,
Hutching Ave., Ballinger.
11-d&w-1f.

Mrs. Chas. Tibbs, of Itaska, arrived Tuesday night, and will be the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Gregory, and other relatives. Mrs. Tibbs was formerly Miss Kattie Bell Gregory.

To Our Friends and Neighbors

We desire to extend our thanks for the many acts of kindness shown us during the illness and death of our beloved husband, brother and son.

Mrs. Rosa Adams
Frank Adams Sr.
and family.
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Vivian Colburn of the Winters country passed through Ballinger Friday en route to Milan county to visit relatives during this fall.

Wm. Davenport, who has helped to make Runnels county a good place in which to live, has temporarily left his home here and located at Fate, Texas. He will return with the good rains.

SUGAR AFFIDAVITS.

Mr. Merchant, we are prepared to furnish you sugar certificates to be used in selling sugar for preserving purposes. We have the blanks printed and can supply you in any size quantity. The food rules require that you use these in selling sugar for canning and preserving purposes.

Diaz was given a tip that helped him to bring down a deer while on a hunting trip with Mr. Dunlap. The young man was shooting too high to get his deer when Mr. Dunlap took a head and lowered the sight which brought down the deer.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Martin and children of Staten, who had been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Martin of Norton, passed through the city Monday en route home.

Vernon Webb, for some time with the Harwell Motor Co., has volunteered for service and will leave Wednesday afternoon for Austin to enter the mechanical school.

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**RUNNELS COUNTY
MAN LOSSES RACE**

Complete returns from the primary shows that J. M. Edwards, of Runnels county, was defeated by a majority of 10,786, John W. Baker, of Crosby county receiving 262,048 and Edwards 251,262.

Following is the complete vote on state candidates:

- Hobby 457,750
- Ferguson 224,499
- Harvey 207,135
- Greenwood 305,836
- Pippen 91,304
- Pierson 93,319
- Martin 34,792
- Lattimore 229,810
- Ward 59,221
- Cureton 214,974
- Speckts 147,776
- Wood 203,462
- Doughty 135,778
- Miss Blanton 340,234
- Trussell 87,009
- Goodlett 118,684
- Terrell 231,252
- Mayfield 165,795
- Davis 268,082
- Halbert 228,692
- Moore 111,049
- Cowell 78,687
- Beiley 52,441
- Henderson 79,380
- Davidson 128,214
- J. Johnston 120,909

**ARMY AND NAVY TO
STOP VOLUNTEERING**

Washington, Aug. 8.—Voluntary enlistment in the army and navy were completely suspended today to prevent disruption of industry pending disposition of the bill proposing to extend draft ages to include all men between 18 and 45 years. Orders were issued by Secretaries Baker and Daniels directing that no voluntary enlistments be accepted after today until further orders.

The orders also exclude civilians from appointment to officers' training camps until further notice.

A. B. Legate returned Tuesday from Lamar county, where he went to spend a month with Mrs. Legate, who is at the home of her mother. Mr. Legate says it was dry in Lamar county when he left and that crops were suffering severely for rain, and would be cut short if it did not rain soon. After spending a few days here on business Mr. Legate says he will return to Lamar county. He reports he will not make enough on his 250-acre farm near Wingate to gather.

DROUGHT AND WAR CONDITIONS

have no financial terrors for competent stenographers and bookkeepers. Thousands wanted at Washington at entrance salaries of \$1000 to \$1200, and the demand in civil life is unprecedented in the United States. No vacation. Electric fans.

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The first care of the Bank should be THE SAFETY OF THE DEPOSITOR.

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Quit Laxatives, Purges; Try NR

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It is a mistake to continually dose yourself with so-called laxative pills, calomel, oil, purges and cathartics and force bowel action. It weakens the bowels and liver and makes constant dosing necessary.

Why don't you begin right today to overcome your constipation and get your system in such shape that daily purging will be unnecessary? You can do so if you get a box of Nature's Remedy (NR Tablets) and take one each night for a week or so.

NR Tablets do much more than merely cause pleasant easy bowel action. This medicine acts upon the digestive as well as eliminative organs—promotes good digestion, causes the body to get the nourishment from all the food you eat, gives you a good, hearty appetite, purifies the liver, overcomes diarrhoea, restores kidney and heart action and gives the whole body a thorough cleaning out.

This accomplished you will not have to take medicine every day. An occasional NR tablet will keep your bowels in good condition and you can always feel your best.

NR Tablets are the best bowel medicine that you can use and costs only 25c per box, containing enough to last twenty-five days. Nature's Remedy (NR Tablets) is sold, guaranteed and recommended by your druggist.

WEEKS DRUG STORE Ballinger, Texas

Nature's Remedy NR TABLETS NR Better than Pills GET A For Liver Ills. 25c Box

BABY DIED

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Rankin Jones died Monday morning August 12th, at their home 7 miles down the Colorado river and the remains were tenderly laid to rest in the City Cemetery in the afternoon. The infant was only a few hours old.

The Ledger joins friends in condolence and sympathy for the bereaved parents in the loss of their dear one.

A Bilious Attack

When you have a bilious attack your liver fails to perform its function. You become constipated. The food you eat ferments in your stomach instead of digesting. This inflames the stomach and causes nausea, vomiting and a terrible headache. Take three of Chamberlain's Tablets. They will tone up your liver, clean out your stomach and you will soon be as well as ever. They only cost a quarter.

TAYLOR COUNTY GETS FIRST BALE COTTON

The first bale of cotton for the 1918 crop was ginned at Merkel in Taylor county, Friday. So far as we know this is the first bale reported in West Texas. Runnels county's first bale is over due—the first bale for previous years having been received about the first of August. The first bale will no doubt be made up from remnants furnished by many farmers and there will be only a few bales to follow the first bale.

The Best Plaster

A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Liniment and bound on over the seat of pain is often more effectual for a lame back than a plaster and does not cost anything like as much.

W. S. Caudle and two little sons, of the Hatchel country, were transacting business in Ballinger Saturday. He gave us an interesting letter from his brother-in-law in France, which will appear in next week's paper.

F. M. Steele of the Norton country and E. B. Warnack, of the Oak Creek country, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Saturday.

Judge C. O. Harris and wife, of San Angelo passed through Ballinger Saturday at noon en route home from an extended visit to relatives in Chicago and other points north.

Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic restores vitality and energy by purifying and enriching the blood. You can soon feel its Strengthening, Invigorating Effect. Price 60c.

Judge O. L. Parish had business at Rowena between trains Saturday.

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Lieut. Ewing Taylor Wounded in Battle

W. A. Taylor received a letter from his son, Lieut. Ewing Taylor, Saturday. The letter was written from a hospital in France, and brought the bad news that Ewing had been wounded while in battle. The letter was brief and said:

Dear Papa: How are you all by this time? I hope you are well and doing fine.

I am sending you a little clipping of the fight we had. It was fine work. I got a Boche machine gun bullet through my left arm and am now in a French hospital, but will be out within a week or ten days. It is only a flesh wound in the fore arm and does not matter much. We gave them the devil. Wish I could tell you more about it. Another one of my lieutenants in the company was killed. At present I am in a fine hospital and well cared for. Will be ready for action within at least ten days however. I do not receive any Daily Ledgers now.

Write soon, and a long letter and do not worry about me, as I am O. K.

Your son, EWING.

Wounded, but determined to win. That is the American spirit expressed between the lines in the above letter. Every heart in Ballinger who knows our boys in France are throbbing in sympathy and every mind is offering a silent prayer that they will be spared and win the victory. There is no young man on the front with more friends at home than Ewing Taylor, and while they will regret to hear that he has been wounded they will rejoice to know that it was slight and that he is before this time giving the huns the devil again, for we are told in press dispatches that the Americans are whipping the Germans at Montdidier, and that is where Ewing is located.

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 MEDICINE.

FRANK J. CHENEY. Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.

(Seal) A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public.

Hall's Catarrh Medicine 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.

Mack Hargroves, who had been herding his sheep in Reagan county decided it was too hot and dry for him and he shipped them out to the Fort Worth market Friday.

Mr. Cunningham, of Brownwood Auditor for the West Texas Telephone Co., passed through Ballinger Saturday en route home from Winters.

Mrs. M. D. Carlisle and daughter Miss Kitty R. Carlisle, of Austin came in Thursday to visit Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Carlisle, a few weeks. They are mother and sister respectively of Mr. Carlisle.

Miss Fannie Hunt visited her sister, Mrs. C. Slayton at Miles this week.

Cure for Dysentery.

"While I was in Ashland, Kansas, a gentleman overheard me speaking of Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy," writes William Whitelaw, of Des Moines, Iowa. "He told me in detail of what it had done for his family, but more especially his daughter who was lying at the point of death with a violent attack of dysentery, and had been given up by the family physician. Some of his neighbors advised him to give Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy, which he did, and fully believes that by doing so saved the life of his child. He stated that he had also used this remedy himself with equally gratifying results."

J. H. Mercer, fireman of the Southern Pacific railroad at Tucson, Arizona, spent Sunday with his sister Mrs. R. P. West.

SITUAION DROUTH DISTRICT DESPERATE

Houston, Tex.—A tragic situation in West Texas was disclosed this afternoon at the district conference of the federal administrators of Texas when the report from El Paso, San Angelo, Brownwood and Amarillo told of conditions which unless immediately relieved by rains, will wipe out the breeding grounds of the cattle industry of the state.

L. A. Williams of Amarillo said his district of 60,000 square miles was barren of vegetation and that this week three carloads of Hereford calves which, when weaned would bring \$150 each, were sold for \$18 and shipped to market for slaughter.

W. A. Ramsey of El Paso said his district of 450 miles in length had been without rain for three years and that cattle were being sold for canners and the breed stock dumped on the market.

Porter A. Waley of Brownwood, described his district of 10,000 square miles as stripped of cattle and sheep. T. E. Owens of San Angelo told of his 30,000 square miles district being almost arid.

State Food Administrator E. A. Peden wired a report of the conditions to Washington. The report said that cattle men were financially unable to buy feed to carry their stock over the long drouth.

BARN BURNED

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No Worms in a Healthy Child All children troubled with worms have an unhealthy color, which indicates poor blood, and as a rule, there is more or less stomach disturbance. GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC given regularly for two or three weeks will enrich the blood, improve the digestion, and act as a General Strengthening Tonic to the whole system. Nature will then throw off or dispel the worms, and the child will be in perfect health. Pleasant to take. 60c per bottle.

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Rollie Price is at home from the Great Lakes naval training camp. Young Price has been sick since last January, and on account of his health the government gave him an honorable discharge and sent him home.

R. Bernhart, who had been with the City Drug Store the past few months, left Friday afternoon to visit his old home at Mason a few weeks.

For indigestion, constipation or biliousness Just try one 50-cent bottle of LAX-FOS WITH PEPSIN. A Liquid Digestive Laxative pleasant to take. Made and recommended to the public by Paris Medicine Co., manufacturers of Laxative Bromo Quinine and Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic.

Louis Wilde of the Colorado country who had been visiting his brother W. H. and W. S. Wilde and his sister Mrs. G. H. Diersche and family, of the Olin country, left from this point Friday afternoon for his home.

Mrs. Alfred Luckett, of Miles, came Saturday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Rasbury and Ballinger friends a few days.

GIRLS! GIRLS! TRY IT, STOP DANDRUFF AND BEAUTIFY YOUR HAIR

Hair stops falling out and gets thick, wavy, strong and beautiful.

Your hair becomes light, wavy, fluffy, abundant and appears as soft, lustrous and beautiful as a young girl's after a "Danderine hair cleanse." Just try this—moisten a cloth with a little Danderine and carefully draw it through your hair, taking one small strand at a time. This will cleanse the hair of dust, dirt and excessive oil and in just a few moments you have doubled the beauty of your hair.

Besides beautifying the hair at once, Danderine dissolves every particle of dandruff; cleanses, purifies and invigorates the scalp, forever stopping itching and falling hair.

But what will please you most will be after a few week's use when you will actually see new hair—fine and downy at first—yes—but really new hair growing all over the scalp. If you care for pretty, soft hair and lots of it surely get a small bottle of Knowlton's Danderine from any druggist or toilet counter, and

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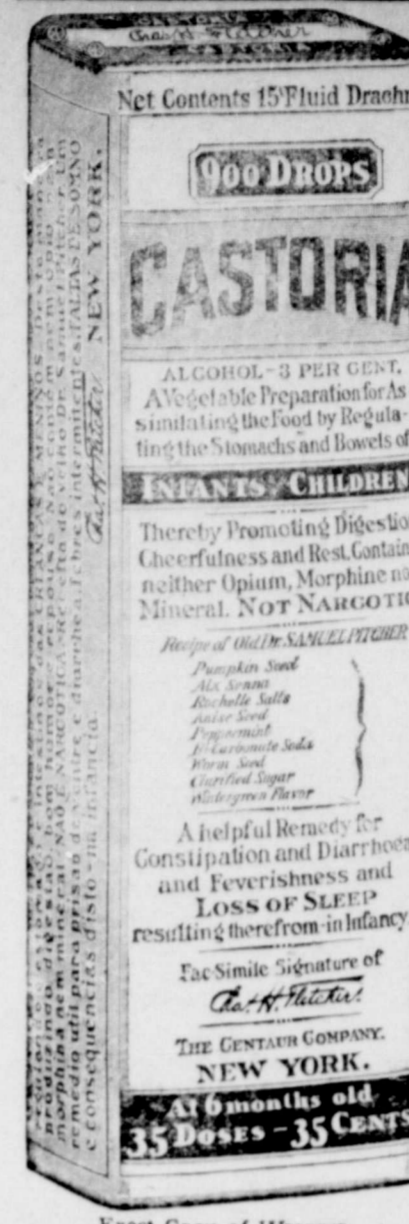
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CHICKEN THEIF HAS CLOSE CALL

F. L. Gerhart, who lives on route 3 out Winters, reports that an attack was made on his poultry yard last Sunday night, but the attack was unsuccessful and was repulsed when he grabbed his shotgun and put up a strong fight.

The sack was the only clue left by which identification could be made, and while Mr. Gerhart declines to give names a prisoner might result.

According to the report of the attack, the chicken thief or thieves, raided the poultry house about ten o'clock. The alarm given by the chickens caused Mr. Gerhart to hasten to the cry of distress.

The thief had cut the poultry netting and was making good headway filling his sack with chickens, when Mr. Gerhart arrived on the scene. A double barrel shot gun was brought into action, and the thief retreated, leaving behind his sack half filled with poultry.

Most any kind of an old dome-nicker will bring one dollar at this time, and the chicken thief who can carry on his work successfully is in no danger of poverty, but he is in a business which will cause him poverty in years to come, and is the dirty thief of all thieves.

Charlie Giesecke left Saturday afternoon to visit his sister at Marble Falls and will go on to Austin, New Braunfelds and San Antonio where he will visit a few weeks.

Rev. Diggs, pastor of the Presbyterian church at Winters passed through Ballinger Saturday en route to Blanket to preach over Sunday.

H. W. Henniger, of the Winters country and A. W. Strube, of the Olin country, were among the visitors in Ballinger Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Jones, of the Valley Creek country left Saturday to visit her mother at Fort Worth and Mr. Jones will go on to Kansas City to visit his mother before they return home.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleve King and children left in their auto Monday morning for Brownwood and will go on to Ranger and other points in that section with the view of locating for the present.

W. H. Mullin, of Winters, was transacting business in Ballinger Saturday and we were sorry to learn that his son, Lieut. Harris Mullins of the National Guards, is quite ill at their home with typhoid fever and had also recently been operated on for appendicitis.

DIVIDING GARBAGE TWIXT HOG AND HUN

Twenty-nine large American cities are in the Food Administration's bad book because they are throwing away garbage instead of getting out it shells to whip the huns and grease to work our guns.

These cities, with a combined population of over 5,000,000 are charged with waisting the following: 4,400,000 pounds of nitroglycerine, 40,000,000 twelve ounce cakes of soap, 60,000,000 tons of tankage, with sufficient fertilizer element to produce 3,000,000 bushels of wheat. Value of material wasted is put at \$5,000,000.

Even the solitary little home which utilizes enough odd bits of fat to take the place of a bar of soap and release that much grease from the market for military use may proudly boast that it is operating a munition munition plant.

Fats and greases are in such tremendous demand that every ounce counts.

Another saving is urged in the matter of feeding garbage to hogs. Figures from 300 cities of more than 10,000 population show that in transforming garbage into pork show that 50,000,000 pounds of pork is produced. The Food Administration claims that it should be 1,000,000,000 pounds and that the loss of 950,000,000 is due to poor separation of the garbage and the mixing of inedible materials.

More than 500 American cities are not feeding garbage to hogs and the loss so entailed is 60,000,000 pounds of pork.

R. R. Rives, formerly pastor of the 8th Street Presbyterian church in Ballinger, has been called to the pastorate of the Coggin Avenue Presbyterian Church at Brownwood. It is not known whether Rev. Rives will accept the call or not. He is at present, and has been since leaving Ballinger State superintendent of the home Mission Work, and has been living at Arlington, Texas.

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If work is tiring, if your nerves are excitable, if you feel languid, weary or depressed, Scott's Emulsion will prove a wonderful strengthener.

It possesses the very elements to invigorate the blood, nourish the nerves and build strength.

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A. W. Sledge, Editor. The Year \$1.50

READY TO BUY

That old vacant house you own can be converted into cash, if you want to sell it, so we have been informed, and the lot can be used as a war garden, when it rains.

We understand that a company has been organized and is coming in to Ballinger to buy the vacant houses and shacks that are not desirable for occupancy, and will have them torn down and the lumber shipped out to be used in constructing buildings at other places.

There may be a few old abandoned houses in Ballinger which would be worth more to their owners if converted into building material, but we would not advise any one to dispose of valuable holdings at a sacrifice for the time may not be for away when we will have a boom in our land and good rent houses will again bring revenue worth while.

RELIGIOUS CO-OPERATION

The fact that there were no preaching services at any other church last Sunday evening brought together a large crowd at the co-operative Sunday night service held on the school campus. Rev. Mr. Bates was the preacher for the evening, delivering a message that was peculiarly fitting to Ballinger at this time, in which a warning was given to the people for their lethargy and indifference in matters spiritual.

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The Times got so gloriously developed in its gubernatorial candidate this year that it is going to take time by the forelock and get on a winner for 1920 early in the game. The Times announces now without any claim for later crowding its support of Miss Annie Webb Blanton for governor.

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CULTIVATING PUBLIC ROADS

Cultivating public roads is being pushed with the usual vigor in West Texas. It is perhaps as little as can be said to say that a large per cent of the road working outfits in the South are simply road destroyers.

ly road destroyers.—Abilene Reporter. The waste of money on roads for the past thirty years in Texas has been great. Property expended under the direction of competent road builders the money wasted would have built a system of highways over the entire state.

THE DRAFT BOARD.

These men of the draft boards hold in the sense of the most unique position of history. They have become literally the father confessors of millions of their fellows. The very threads of fate have been entrusted to their keeping.

Their eyes have beheld, as from the wings of a huge stage, that glorious metamorphosis of a dormant people aroused at last to exaltation. To them has fallen the lot of intimate assistance at the rebirth of a nation.

They were the first to be drafted, these men of the draft boards. They themselves constituted the first quota of the national army. They awaited no call of numbers, no lottery of fate.

NEWSPAPER PROSPERITY.

Ralph Shuffler, former Comanche boy and editor of the Olney Enterprise, says that several years ago he entered the newspaper world poor but honest. He says that he is still poor. How comes it, Ralph, that you remain poor running a newspaper where such great fortunes may be made?

War has boosted everything except the incomes of the newspapers. Probably Editor Shuffler, like many hundreds of others, is wondering how much longer a diminishing intake will withstand the pressure of an increasing outflow. The fact that an editor remains poor under such circumstances is not surprising.

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\$85,000 CATTLE DEAL AT ANGELO

San Angelo, Aug. 9.—Four livestock deals involving 1,780 cattle and approximately \$85,000 were reported in San Angelo Thursday morning. G. S. White and son, W. S. White of Weatherford were the purchasers of all the stuff which they will place on their ranch near Owego on the Pecos River.

Nine hundred and thirty-five 2-year-old steers were purchased from W. E. Glascock of Sonora and will be delivered on August 20 at Mertzon for shipment to Owego.

From W. A. Miers of Sonora 370 head were bought. Two hundred and thirty are three and four year olds, while 40 are twos. T. B. Adams and W. B. Hutcherson of Sonora sold 224 two-year-olds to White and Son, while Hutcherson individually disposed of a herd of 250.

These cattle will be delivered at Mertzon on August 15, for shipment to Owego. All the animals are high grade, white face Herfords.

SOLDIERS DAUGHTER ARRIVES IN BALLINGER

Agirl baby was born to Mr. and Mrs. Gurely Guy Carney last Saturday morning. Mr. Carney is in the army and has been in France for some time. He was among the first men drafted from this county, and left here on October 8th, returning on a short furlough before he sailed for France. Mrs. Carney has rooms at the home of Miss Jennie Bennett on Broadway.

D. B. Diggs, vice-president of the Winters State Bank, and E. A. Sheppard, the real estate, loan and insurance man of Winters, were here for a brief business visit Tuesday afternoon.

BOOKS WANTED FOR SOLDIERS AND SAILORS

Elmer Sheppard has been appointed director general for this county and instructed to launch a campaign to raise at least 1,000 good books for soldiers and sailors.

The work is to be carried on under the name of the soldiers and sailors library fund. No cash is being called for, but all good books will be accepted and placed at the disposal of the soldiers in the various training camps.

Magazines are not called for in this appeal. Those who have a good book or books they wish to contribute should communicate with Mr. Sheppard or send them to his office.

Mrs. Ed. Stone and children came in from Garden City Tuesday afternoon and are visiting Mrs. Stone's sister Mrs. Jim Flynt who had been visiting in Garden City, and returned home with Mrs. Stone.

Mrs. C. A. Dooze responded to a message that her mother was quite ill, and left Tuesday afternoon for Post City, Texas. She was accompanied home by her sister, Miss Agnes Stacy, who has been here for the past two months.

Miss Idea Voelkel went to San Angelo Tuesday, where she will be the guest of Mrs. E. H. Zander for a few days.

W. E. Barbee returned Tuesday at noon from a business trip to San Antonio and Austin. Mr. Barbee reports it dry all the way.

W. L. Compton and son, C. A. and W. C. Smith, left Tuesday afternoon for Ranger, where they go to take a bunch of horses and mules for sale.

H. A. Thomson, of Austin passed through Ballinger Tuesday, en route to his Schleicher county ranch. Mr. Thomson was one of the pioneer citizens of this county before moving to Austin, and lived at Old Rannels before Ballinger was placed on the map.

Mrs. Oscar Harbor will join her husband at Houston on September 1. Mr. Harbor is working in the Government Shipyards there.

Mrs. Cora Cohen, of Houston Grand Matron of the Order of Eastern Star, was here to meet with the local chapter Tuesday night. She was the guest of Mrs. J. Y. Pearce while in the city.

WHAT WOULD BE WITH HUN VICTORY

Zurich, Switzerland, July 23.—By Mail.—Should Germany succeed in domination of Europe, a general exodus of the populations of the subjugated countries would result according to Dr. Muehlon in his book "Devastated Europe," just published.

"If the Germans succeed in establishing their domination of Europe, we shall witness the flight of the Europeans," Muehlon writes. "The most remote corners of Europe will be the most sought after. If there is no spot in the old world which escapes German domination, then there will be a general exodus towards the countries across the seas, in all directions where the Germans are not."

"Europe will be a country where living conditions will not be worth while. The Germans will not be allowed to shove themselves outside their new Germania, and everyone will proudly endeavor to avoid by all means these horrible objects—the Germans."

Citation By Publication

The State of Texas: To the Sheriff or any Constable of Rannels County—Greetings:

You are hereby commanded to summon R. H. Rhame, D. R. Rhame, W. F. Rhame, D. C. Taylor, and the unknown Heirs of R. H. Rhame, D. R. Rhame, W. F. Rhame and D. C. Taylor each by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the turn day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 35th Judicial District; to appear at the next term of the District court of Rannels County, Texas, to be held at the Court House thereof in Ballinger on the 1st Monday in October A. D. 1918, the same being the 7th day of October A. D. 1918, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 9th day of August A. D. 1918, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court, No. 1914, wherein H. Giesecke is plaintiff and R. H. Rhame, D. R. Rhame, W. F. Rhame, D. C. Taylor and their unknown Heirs of R. H. Rhame, D. R. Rhame, W. F. Rhame and D. C. Taylor, deceased and Claude Wilmeth are defendants; the nature of plaintiff's demands being as follows:

The State of Texas, County of Rannels. In District Court October term A. D. 1918. To Hon. J. O. Woodward Judge of said court. Now comes H. Giesecke, who resides in Rannels County, Texas hereinafter styled plaintiff, complaining of R. H. Rhame, D. R. Rhame and W. F. Rhame, and D. C. Taylor, whose place or places of residence to plaintiff are unknown, and the unknown Heirs of R. H. Rhame, D. R. Rhame, W. F. Rhame and D. C. Taylor, whose names are to plaintiff unknown, and Claude Wilmeth, who resides in Rannels county, Texas, herein styled defendants; and for cause of action, plaintiff represents to the court that heretofore on or about January 2, 1909, defendants R. H. Rhame, D. R. Rhame and W. F. Rhame, made, executed and delivered to Jo Wilmeth, their three several promissory notes, numbered one, two and three, No. one being for \$4740.30, No. two for \$5000.00 and No. 3 for \$3577.70, each bearing date on the day and year aforesaid, and each due on or before Jan. 1, 1921, bearing interest at rate of eight per cent per annum payable annually and providing that failure to pay any installment of interest shall mature all of said notes.

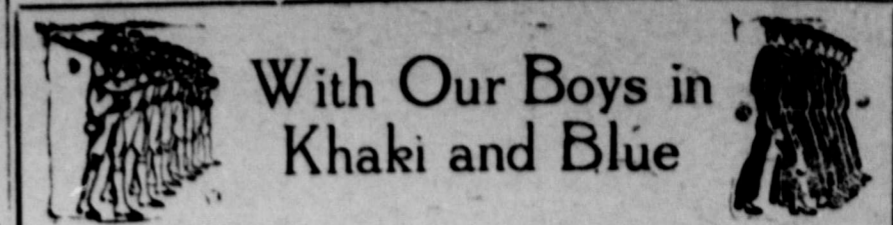
That thereafter the said Jo Wilmeth, for a valuable consideration transferred and assigned said notes, by an instrument in writing unto the plaintiff H. Giesecke, together with all liens, right, title and interest in and to the lands

for which said notes were given as hereinafter stated, whereby defendant became, bound and liable to pay and promised to pay said Jo Wilmeth and his assigns or holder of said notes the sum of money in said notes specified. That said notes were given for a part of the purchase money of the following described tract of land situated in Rannels county, Texas, to wit: 45 acres out of a 640 acre survey No. 589, Abstract No. 60 cert. 101, to Wm. Bryan, Patented to Joseph Kopman, by Patent No. 453, Vol. 23 this 45 acres being a triangle lying north of the James Strode Survey No. 234 and bounded by said north line on the south; on the east by the W. B. line of the J. W. Byrne Survey No. 588, and on the west by the E. B. line of the John Wall Survey No. 379; that said property was heretofore, on the 2nd of January 1909, by Jo Wilmeth to said R. H. Rhame, D. R. Rhame and W. F. Rhame, by his deed of writing of that date, in consideration among other things of the three notes herein described, and that in said deed of conveyance and in each of said notes a lien was reserved thereon to secure the payment of said notes; that defendant made default in the payment of the interest due on the notes as the same matured and plaintiff has declared said notes due and payable.

That all of said notes are now due owing and unpaid; that defendants though often requested has failed and refused to pay the same or any part thereof. Plaintiff says that the defendants D. C. Taylor, and his unknown heirs, and Claude Wilmeth are asserting some kind of claim or lien on the land so sold by Jo Wilmeth to the defendants, the Rhames, the exact nature of which is to plaintiff unknown, plaintiff says no matters what the nature of said claim or lien may be, same is second to the vendor lien of this plaintiff and that plaintiff's lien is superior thereto.

Wherefore plaintiff prays the court that defendants be cited by publication in the manner required by law, to appear and answer this petition, that he have judgement for debt, interest and cost of suit, and for the foreclosure of his lien on the above described land and premises and the same be decreed to be sold according to law; that the sheriff or other officers, executing said order of sale, shall place the purchaser of said property in possession thereof, within thirty days after the day of sale land for such other and further relief, special and general, in law and in equity, that he may be justly entitled to.

John I. Guion, Attorney for Plaintiff. Herein fail not, but have you be-



With Our Boys in Khaki and Blue

Somewhere in Europe. July 17th, 1918.

Things have been breaking so rapidly during the last few hours that it is almost impossible to know where to begin or what to write about. I have seen England from the west coast to the south-eastward. It is a land of study and enchantment. The soil breathes historical romances that leaves an impress to this day. I passed through where Shakespear was born, I saw the great Oxford college. I have seen the place where the Jeffries of old held his bloody assizes; while I have stood on the spot where Sir Walter Raleigh was decapitated. Nor is that all. I have been in the building where Cromwell dissolved the long parliament and I have entered the building where the laws of England were made when barons held full sway over this tight little isle.

And there is in me the deep appreciation of why the English so dearly loves this ordinary spot. From the hills where the legions of Cesar first gave the blow that paved the way to coming of the splendid civilization that prevails here today the view is one of enchantment and soledarity. The towns and hills are verdant with the ripening things that havenot yet turned from their greenness. Magnificent estates set so squarely into the scene that it is hard to conjure a time when they were not there. The aid that ong inhales even causes one to rejoice that from such as these, as this

people who are today standing at the gate breaking back the vicious barbarians, comes the blood that flows in my veins.

But there is a side less bright. It is the side with the hallowed inspiration of deeds that have been done that you and I and those boys of ours may live out their lives in the peaceful paths that mark the lines of human freedom. There are no young men in England. Only the aged and the aged. The women and the children are now here. But they have buried the grief that they greet us with a bright eye, with a welcome handshake and with a glad to see you that come from the heart. Ever and anon one sees a derelict of the war, the hero with his leg gone, with his good right arm missing or with a limp that denotes that he has been through the fire and that the fire marked him for a victim.

I would like to write a volume on this subject and some time when I have not got to give up the typewriter so that it can be packed for the next move I shall. In the meantime I send you my affectionate love and my blessings and the Blessings of God on the heads and lives of you and the boys.

I have not yet gotten to where the mail is, when I feel sure that I will find letters awaiting me.

Good-bye, God Bless You
Your Own,
DEE
Capt. David C. McCaleb,
315th Supply Train,
A. E. F. via New York.

fore said court, on the first day of the next term thereof, this Writ, with your return thereon showing how you have executed the same. Witness my hand and official seal at my office in Ballinger, Texas, this 9th, day of August A. D. 1918.

Mary Phillips, Clerk
District court Rannels county
Texas
By L. H. Bacon, Deputy.
164th.

STUDENTS ARMY TRAINING CROPS

Austin, Tex., Aug. 8.—In the campaign which is to be waged by the several colleges and universities of Texas for the fulfillment of the plan of the War Department to bring about the greatest possible number of enlistments in the Students Army Training Crops no effort will be made to bring about an increase of attendance of any particular institution, it is stated by members of the executive committee who have charge of the work. Stress is laid upon the fact that the War Department regards the enlistment of young men 18 to 21 years old in the Students Army Training Crops, thus insuring that they will receive military instruction and education that will qualify them for better service as army men, as of supreme importance. No effort will be made to direct prospective students to attend any particular institution. This is a matter that will be left to their own choice.

VILLA COMES TO LIFE

Press reports give the account of a bandit raid on a north bound train on the Mexican Central railroad fifty miles north of Chihuahua. The Villa bandits killed 26 passengers and 40 soldiers. 70 soldiers were wounded. The passengers left alive and the bodies of the dead were stripped of their clothing and robbed of all valuables. The bandits were under the leadership of Martin Lopez, a Villa leader.

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DROUTH COVERS BIG TERRITORY

The drouth throughout the cattle raising country grows more serious, according to W. B. Slaughter, who returned to his home at Fort Worth after a tour through Texas and Oklahoma. Mr. Slaughter stated that unfavorable conditions in Oklahoma and Texas was causing a general movement of range cattle to market, and that unless rain came soon stockmen would be forced to sell out completely.

No section of the cattle raising country in Texas and Oklahoma has received rain since about the first of June and the range has failed fast. The experience of stockmen in feeding last winter in an effort to carry their cattle through the winter proved very unsuccessful and many stockmen hit the ceiling, and were at last forced to unload at a loss.

Rains for making fall range are absolutely necessary to save the stockmen from heavy losses and in many instances bankruptcy.

THE NEED OF THE HOUR

Our country entered the war to fight for personal liberty of every down trodden nation, as well as to preserve our own freedom, and our success depends, not alone on our army, but upon every phase of our industrial life to sustain our army and just now the shortage of skilled office workers is very serious and will grow worse unless the young ladies and the young men are too young or physically unable or otherwise exempt from war duty realize that it is their duty to acquire a business training immediately to come to the rescue of both the government and commercial organizations. Read the following announcement which speaks for itself.

Washington, July 10th.—The United States government needs, and badly needs a great number of stenographers and typewriters, both men and women, for service in the departments at Washington, D. C. and the situation in federal offices outside of Washington is scarcely less urgent. The supply of qualified persons on the commission's list for this class of work is not equal to their demand, and the commission urges, as a patriotic duty, that citizens with this special knowledge apply for examination for the government service. At present all who pass the examination for the departmental service are certified for appointment, examination papers are rated without delay. Examinations for the departmental services in Washington, D. C. for both men and women are held every Tuesday in our city.

W. B. Shuford, Secretary Civil Service Board. The railroads are begging us for all well trained young men and women to take places in the many departments, made vacant by the draft, and are offering large salaries. Since the railroads have gone under government control salaries have been raised, in some instances, 50 per cent. You can prepare in America's most up-to-date and largest business training school for Bookkeeping, Short Hand, Telegraphy, Cotton Classing and Business Administration and Finance, to hold the position of your choice, either with the government, railroad or business house. The necessary literary work is given with all of our courses. When graduated, our free Employment department will place you in a position where your first three month's salary will reimburse you for the entire cost of your course.

Write for our large free illustrated catalogue. TYLER COMMERCIAL COLLEGE, Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas

SUGAR AFFIDAVITS.

Mr. Merchant, we are prepared to furnish you sugar certificates to be used in selling sugar for preserving purposes. We have the blanks printed and can supply you in any size quantity. The food laws require that you use these in selling sugar for canning and preserving purposes.

Mrs. W. H. Rodgers and daughter, Mrs. W. F. Windham, passed to their home at Winters, after a visit to relatives and friends at Palestine.

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Calotabs are sold only in original sealed packages, price thirty-five cents. Your druggist recommends and guarantees them. Adv.

DR. A. S. LOVE LEAVES FOR CAMP LOGAN

Dr. A. S. Love, who volunteered in the medical corps some time ago, received a call Tuesday to report for duty at the base hospital at Camp Logan, Houston, and he left Wednesday morning for that place.

Dr. Love did not make it known to his many friends that he had been called to duty, and slipped away without giving his friends an opportunity to say good-bye only his wife and the immediate members of his family knowing that he was going away until after the train had left.

This city has lost a good man and a successful surgeon, and we hope that the government will not need his services long and that he will be permitted to return to his family and large practice here. If the war continues, however, Dr. Love will no doubt see overseas duty. Dr. Love has been at the head of the Halley & Love sanitarium since that institution was established.

Mrs. Love accompanied Dr. Love as far as Brownwood.

Sensible Table Discourse.

Speaking of autobiographic recipes for domestic use, there's nothing better than Benjamin Franklin's description of how the table was managed by his father when he was a boy. "At this table he took care to have some sensible friend to converse with and he always started a useful topic of discourse which might improve the minds of his children. By this means he turned our attention to the proper conduct of life and no critical notice was ever taken of the victuals on the table—whether they were cooked well or ill, whether they were in season or out of season. Thus I was brought up to be quite indifferent as to the kind of food that was set before me and to this day if I am asked after dinner to tell what I have dined upon I am scarce able to tell."

Spaniards Gave Name to Cigar.

However strange it may appear, it is a well-established fact that the word cigar is derived, though in a roundabout way, from the words "cigarra," the place where the cicada (in Spanish "cigarra") sings—the garden. The name cigarra is generally applied to a kind of pleasure garden and summer house (as in the cigarrales de Toledo), and in Cuba in particular to a tobacco garden or nursery. After the discovery of the new world the Spaniards who planted tobacco in their gardens when offering the plant to their friends were wont to say: "Es un cigarro de mi cigarral," as we would say "a flower from our garden." The name remained.

Feb McWilliams came in Tuesday at noon from a business trip east.

Miss Katherine Jeanes and Buford Seals returned Tuesday from Coleman county, where they had been assisting in revival meetings for the Nazarene church. Mr. Seals went out to his home at Crews.

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THE HIGH COST OF RUNNING A WAR

The recent statement made by Secretary of the Treasurer McAdoo that if the recent increase in the rate of expenditures of the U. S. Government keeps up the treasury will disburse \$24,000,000,000.00 in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1918, attaches unusual interest to the figures for the period from March 1, 1917, to June 1, 1918, because it shows the rapidly increasing cost of the war.

Disbursements of the Treasury Department as shown by the daily Treasury statements aggregated \$12,513,262,563.13 during that period. Of this amount \$7,013,251,770.50 was for ordinary disbursements; \$5,380,329,750.00 was for foreign loans; and \$119,681,042.63 for special disbursements.

The increase in ordinary disbursements during the period is interesting. In March, 1917, these disbursements were \$72,773,903.20 and in May, 1918, they had increased to \$1,068,203,826.82. The total disbursements for March 1917, were \$99,950,799.32, as against \$1,508,195,233.65 in May, 1918.

Foreign loans in the period aggregated \$5,380,329,750.00. No foreign loans were made in March, 1917, but in April 1917, \$200,000,000.00 was loaned to foreign governments. The largest amount of foreign loans made in a month during the period was \$492,000,000.00 in December, 1917.

The estimate of disbursements for the twelve months beginning July 1, 1918, made by Secretary McAdoo, of \$2,000,000,000.00 per month is an increase of almost 150 per cent for the average monthly disbursements for the past fifteen months which were \$834,217,504.20.

Sheriff Perkins is in the Crews county today, where he went to investigate the burning of the Gerhart barn. There is considerable mystery surrounding the case, and Mr. Perkins is attempting to get a clew.

J. F. Mansker left Tuesday afternoon for Bethpage, Tenn., where he will spend the remainder of the year with his daughter. Mr. Mansker promised to write us a description of the first rain he saw.

COLEMAN COUNTY HAS WOMAN SHERIFF

The commissioners' court of Coleman county has appointed Mrs. John R. Banister to succeed her husband as sheriff of that county, and it is reported that Mrs. Banister's name will go on the ticket in the general election as the Democratic nominee.

Sheriff Banister died one week after the primary election, after being nominated for the third term by an overwhelming majority. He died very suddenly, taking ill at ten o'clock at night and dying at ten o'clock the next morning.

His death recalls early days in this country, as Mr. Banister was one of the most picturesque characters in West Texas. In July, 1879, with a party of Texas rangers, Banister fought an engagement with the notorious outlaw, Sam Bass, at Round Rock. Bass was mortally wounded and was captured the next day.

Several years ago Banister was made a life member of the Texas Cattle Raisers' Association. In relating his experiences, he was very modest. "I was among those present," was about all he usually had to say regarding many thrilling episodes and fights with cattle thieves throughout West Texas.

The veteran officer has two sons in France doing service for their country. One of them is a captain.

ONLY THREE IN RUN OFF

There will be only three candidates in the second primary to be held on Aug. 24. Only a few days ago Hurdleston the second high man in the railroad commissioners race, announced that he would not be a candidate in the second primary, and Gilmore will be declared the nominee. Judge William Pierson, of Greenville, was the second man in the race for judge of the court of criminal appeals, and he has announced that he will not oppose the high man, Senator O. S. Lattimore in the second primary. This leaves nominees only in the attorney general comptroller and lieutenant governor's race to be selected in the second primary.

Jack McKay and T. F. Bridwell are prospecting in East Texas, and were last heard of at Honey Grove

DEFENSE COUNCIL CALLS FOR PRAYER

At a meeting of the Women's Committee of the Council of National Defense held Tuesday afternoon, a resolution was passed asking the mayor of this city to issue a proclamation calling the people to special prayer. The request for the proclamation to bring the people together in mind and purpose has been passed to the mayor.

The pastors of the city and the religious people in general are to be called on to offer prayer for the success of our armies and for the success of the people at home who are furnishing the means for carrying on the war to an end that the world may be made better by the sacrifice of thousands of lives.

In view of the fact that this country is passing through an unusual experience, and with many people facing serious conditions through the coming winter, if relief is not obtained from some source and that soon, the good women feel the need of divine guidance, and they ask for a united prayer that the calamity brought upon it by a drouth and that victorious peace may be attained.

NOTICE, AUTO OWNERS.

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Miss Annie Henson went to San Angelo Tuesday to visit her sister before returning to her home in Motley county. She had been the guest of the family of W. D. Parker in this county.

CAPTIAN HAKELL DECLARES HE HAS FOUND RIGHT THING

Daughter Had Suffered All Her Life—Now in Splendid Health 'Troubles Gone and She Plays All the Time

"You ought to see what a wonderful change Tanlac has made in my little girl, why, she's like a different child," said Captain T. M. Harrell, residing at Ingle-side, Georgia who was for twenty-five years a conductor on the sea-board.

"The child was never strong and had suffered ever since a baby he continued. "She complained of headaches most of the time and her kidneys gave no end of trouble. She had no appetite and what little she ate soured on her stomach and would put her in misery for hours, so that she could hardly sleep at night. She was weak and nervous and could not play like other children, although she wanted to. We gave her one thing after another, but nothing did her any good."

I found the right thing for her, though, when I started giving her Tanlac. She began picking up right soon after she started taking it. Her strength has been built up wonderfully her kidneys don't worry her like they did and she eats and sleeps like any other healthy youngster. Tanlac has given her health and happiness and she's now going to school and playing along with other children as if she'd never been sick at all.

Tanlac is sold in Ballinger by Weeks' Drug Store, in Winters by Owens Drug Store, in Miles by Jno. W. Crawford, in Rowena by Shiller's Pharmacy, in Wingate by R. E. Finley & Co., and in Token by J. W. Bright.

SEED LOANS TO BE MADE TO FARMERS

President Wilson has placed at the disposal of the Treasury and Agricultural Department \$5,000,000 to enable them to furnish aid to wheat growers in certain sections of the West who have lost two successive crops by winter killing and drouth. The Federal land banks will act as financial agents of the government to make and collect the loans.

This fund is not intended to be lent to farmers who have banking collateral; the action of the War Finance Corporation in urging the banks to finance such farmers and its promise to support them in such financing, it is believed, will amply provide for them.

Loans from this fund will be made to individuals who have not banking collateral, and only where it is necessary to enable a farmer to continue to grow food products. The money will be advanced upon the crop of wheat or substitute grain planted on the land, and no loan will be in excess of \$3 per acre and no applicant financed beyond 100 acres.

The use of the fund will be under the joint control of the Treasury and Department of Agriculture; as the machinery for the working is already in existence, no substantial delay is expected. The cooperation of local banks and local associations and individuals is looked for.

Ballinger Lad's Operation Not Successful

"16 years ago I was operated for appendicitis and later operated again for gall stones. Neither did me any good and I suffered all kinds of torture since. Five years ago I took Mayr's Wonderful Remedy and have felt no symptoms or pain since. All stomach suffers should take it." It is a simple, harmless preparation that removes the catarrhal mucus from the intestinal tract and allays the inflammation which causes practically all stomach, liver, and intestinal ailments, including appendicitis. One dose will convince or money refunded. Jno. A. Weeks, Druggist.

Geo. Lusk, of Coleman, passed through Ballinger Tuesday enroute to Miles, where he went to look after business.

Mrs. Hoover and daughter, Misses Mary, Edith and Freddie Marie returned to their home at Belton Tuesday, after a visit to Mrs. Hoover's sister Mrs. W. F. Wilhausen.

The Spending of Your Hundred Million Dollars

Busiest Budget in All the World Is a Red Cross War Fund—Every Dollar Spent Alleviates Misery.

By WILL. PAYNE

Last summer the public subscribed a hundred million dollars to the Red Cross. At the latest statement over eighty-five millions of it had been appropriated.

Where has it gone? You ask. For many months the world has been spending over a hundred million dollars a day for the destruction of life, limb and means of subsistence. Call up what you have read about the war's devastation. The American Red Cross enormous job is to do whatever it can to alleviate that—not after the war, not after governments have deliberated and resolved; but right now, at the minute, on the spot. It's amazing that it has done so much with so little money.

Last autumn the Italian army fell back precipitately. On your war map that meant rubbing out one line and drawing another half an inch further south. Over there in Italy it meant thousands of poor families fleeing from their homes. Major Murphy, Red Cross Commissioner in Europe, rushed to the scene and wired: "Indescribably pathetic conditions exist, involving separation of mothers and children, cold, hunger, disease, death." In November and December the American Red Cross appropriated three million dollars for relief there—a large sum, yet small in comparison with the need.

Condensed Milk for Children. Soldiers are aptly a part of the Red Cross' work—probably the smallest part. Every instant, somewhere in the vast flood of destruction, a hand reaches up in appeal. It is pretty apt to be a child's hand or a woman's. When the Red Cross commission reached Petrograd it asked the government, "What is the most urgent thing?" The government replied: "We must get condensed milk for the little children here." The commission got the milk. At one spot in France farm work was stopped by lack of horses. That meant more hunger. The Red Cross got in a big tractor and set it to plowing for the community.

There are a million needs. Cold, wet and the deadly physical strain of the trenches undermine men's constitutions. A frightful scourge of tuberculosis has developed in France. The Red Cross has built sanatoria, provided over a thousand beds and nurses.

Thirty Millions for France. I have here a big sheaf of sheets filled with figures. One item is thirteen million and odd dollars—the amount which, up to that time, had gone to the local chapters of the Red Cross in the United States for local relief. Twenty-five per cent of the money subscribed through the chapters eventually goes that way.

Over thirty millions have been appropriated for work in France. Here is a million and a quarter—in round numbers—for military hospitals and dispensaries; over a million and a half for canteen service, where French and American soldiers, relieved from the trenches, can get good food, a cot, a bath, and have their clothes disinfected—and so go on for their brief holiday clean, rested, nourished. There are over three millions for hospital supply service; half a million for rest stations for American troops.

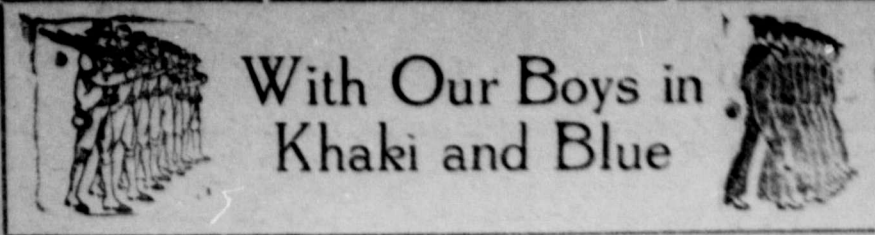
Aid of refugees—eleven thousand families—accounts for nearly three million dollars; care and prevention of tuberculosis takes over two millions; care of helpless children over a million; relief work in six devastated districts, including care of five thousand families and sufficient reconstruction to make houses habitable, required over two millions.

Misery on an Unparalleled Scale. These are all large items; but the Red Cross is grappling with human misery on an unparalleled scale—a world of it. The item for relief of the blind amounts to four hundred thousand dollars. The dispensary service sends supplies to more than thirty-four hundred hospitals. The Red Cross receives and distributes more than two hundred tons of supplies daily at Paris. For this distribution and its other work it requires a big transportation service of motors and trucks. This transportation service has cost a million and a half, and its operating expenses run to a million dollars.

Every dollar it spends means misery alleviated. Its work is building abroad for the United States the best good will in this world. It is building the best good will among ourselves. Whatever else the war may produce, we shall be proud of our Red Cross.

I want to say to you that no other organization since the world began has ever done such great constructive work with the efficiency, dispatch and understanding, often under adverse circumstances, that has been done by the American Red Cross in France.

—General Pershing.



With Our Boys in Khaki and Blue

LIKES TO FIGHT FOR LIBERTY

Mont Richard, France, July 1. Dear Mother:— I am all o. k. We recently moved to this place. We can tell where we are now when we write to our folks.

There are some beautiful castles here. We have a large building in which to stay. They are three, four and five stories high. There is a large stream which flows in to the city, and believe me, it is some bathing place. I have been boat riding most of the day.

Mamma, things over here are not near as bad as you would think. We are having about as good time over here as we did in our camps back in the states. Of course I had rather be at home, and there is not an American soldier in France who would not like to be back in the land of Liberty. Every officer aid almost every soldier, even the French soldiers, believe that we will end this little trouble up by Christmas.

We are coming home when the time is over too.

Mamma, I want you to tell all the kids to write to me, and everyone who can write. Tell them all hell-o for me and give my love to all.

Your son,
Dewey R. Hill

Givres, France, July 7th.

Dear Sister:

I suppose by this time that you already know that I arrived safe in France. We had a nice trip and never sighted a sub at all, also had a very smooth sea and fine weather. We were sea sick for the first two or three days, but after that we were i. k., with the exception of being very crowded. We were sure tired when we landed for we had been sleeping with our clothes and life belts on the entire way over. We left America just about the time the German sub was sinking ships off the Virginia coast, so we had to be careful. We were allowed a light at night or to smoke between sundown and sunup. There were several transports in our bunch and were conveyed the entire way over, and when we got in about 100 miles of shore a big monoplane met us and circled all around us until we landed. It would have been dangerous for a sub to have tried to attack us. We had a big bunch of sub chasers and battleships to protect us also.

Ge, when we landed, you never saw as many soldiers in your life. They are everywhere. I can't tell you until I get back home. I am working in a hardware house, shipping goods to the front, I do nothing but check goods every day eight hours, and when we have a rush we work at nights. I think we are going to be transferred from here soon. There is some talk of us going to the big warehouse in Italy. I hope we do for I'll get to see more country.

Took us two days train ride to come here from the port of debarkation, and it is an awful pretty country. All the houses here are of stone and built like mansions with native shrubbery all over the place and one vineyard after another, and everybody makes wine. The cellars are full of it. It is pretty good too. They let us drink it over here. It cost us one frank a quart (18¢ 4¢).

We have never got close enough to hear any big guns and I don't think we will. It is quite a ways up to Paris from here, and when we move we will get still further away. I would like to go to the front any way.

There is a bunch of boys here in the base hospital who have been sent back from the front and a big pen full of German prisoners. The prisoners range in age from 13 to 70 years old. They treat the prisoners good.

When I get back I will give you all a compete lecture. I have n't been sick a minute since I landed.

W. A. Burney

Mr. Burney is a brother of Mrs. W. S. Caddle. He is with Supply Co. No. 314 in France. The above letter was received by Mrs. Caddle a few days ago.

Dear Mr. Weeks, Mrs. and Maurine:

I have about made the rounds of the family connections and be-

lieve me, if "Sam" knew how many letters I have to write he would detail me a private secretary, or change my working hours. Certainly is nice that we don't pay postage, because some of us would go broke buying stamps. There is not a man in the army who likes to write better than I do and not one in the world who appreciates getting letters more than I do, all of which reminds me that I've not heard from you in several months. I wrote some time before leaving Camp Johnston and again at Camp Merritt. Guess the drought keeps you worried and when any one is worried there is little incentive to write letters.

You can't imagine how much I've enjoyed every minute since I told you people good bye last fall. Not once have I had anything to make me blue. For a while after I was assigned to the Prov. Laundry Co. I thought I was misplaced, but that soon wore off, and everything has come out in every instance just to suit me. I have been fortunate in having fine officers and have worked hard, harder than I ever dreamed I would work. Wish you could meet Lieut. Willis; he is surely a fine fellow. He is about 37 and is a wool merchant in New York when in civil life. I have been his first Sergeant in 24 companies since first of January. You see in Camp Johnston we were not permanently assigned to any company. We took one, organized it and turned it over to some one else to bring across. We had one receiving company, 21 laundry companies and 2 butchery companies.

All the folks think I was simple for not going to the officers training school, and I thought Claude would croak when I told him what I had done, but I just had to come across, and any way I would rather be a sergeant over here than a Second Lieut in the Q.M.C. in the states.

Every one over here is perfectly willing to do all he can to help you. If you show an inclination to be on the job and keep your ends up. Soldiering here is almost the same as in America. Even the railroads I've seen are operated by Americans. I have not seen a single four-wheeled vehicle, no motor cars, except those used by the army. I think that is because of gasoline shortage. Someone told me that it was \$1.80 per gallon.

There is not one foot of ground that is not cultivated. Front yards and hillsides are planted in something.

When we left the states we were put on one of the smaller ships and I've been thankful ever since that we didn't have any bad weather at all. The ocean was like a billiard table all the way over. We landed and were taken to what is termed a "rest camp," but if it was rest, I have no desire to even stop going again. Finally landed here and were put to work and have spent every minute since we've been here at it.

I am on duty in a big storage plant. It has a capacity of fifteen million pounds of meat and it is full all the time. Every day cars are brought in and more sent out. Where I work is three degrees below zero. At first I didn't like it, but now I like it fine. When they changed the shifts Monday, I went outside, but soon stung with a fellow who didn't like the cold. Honest, I didn't know there was as much meat in the world as I have seen even here in this plant.

I believe it is something over a hundred miles to the front, but I have seen a lot of fellows who have been up there. They say it is pretty hard, but believe me, I would give anything in the world to be there. Maybe I'll have my chance yet.

You can't possibly begin to realize all the U. S. has done and is doing to make this thing a great victory. It is nothing short of marvelous, the building that has been done, places to care for supplies and men.

Was surely tickled to hear that Dick Thorp was made first lieutenant of the cavalry troop. He is the type who makes excellent officers and the men will respect and like him. Kids that are under age are good soldiers, but you have to be able to handle them.

They demand lots of work and lots of play, and the man who takes care of them will find a new problem every day. Wish I could have those boys for about a month. Haven't heard from Archie Crews since he left Jacksonville. Guess he's too busy to write. Claud Stone is over here some where. We had dinner in Merritt together, but the next day they were quarantined so didn't get to see him again.

If Happy is still with you tell him there is a boy in our company named Emory Taylor who knew him in Lancaster. Give my regards to the boys in the store and introduce me to any new ones that may be there. Remember me to Col. Morgan and Miss Alice, and especially to Squire and Mrs. Weeks. With kindest regards and best wishes, I am,

As ever,
NOEL PENN.

Dear Moher:

This is the first opportunity I have had to write since landing. Have ridden in cars, boats, passenger trains, freight trains, and trucks. Am now in a little village living in an old stone house. Was in England two days in a rest camp there and this the second camp I have been in since landing in France.

There are no people to speak of but the very old ones, and one of the quaintest little places you can imagine, the houses are all very old and a little mountain stream running through the center of the town: The people are at least 100 years behind us and don't suppose they ever saw an electric light or moving pictures.

We are the first American soldiers that have been here.

It isn't like our towns; they do not have any stores, and about the only thing a person can buy is a little wine, and it isn't very good. Haven't seen a ready made cigarette since landing. I am down to Government Issue Bull Durham, and am only too glad to get it.

Our country is so far ahead of this one that I only want to cross the water one more time and that is to come home. Of course it is very beautiful here and as far back as we are you would never know the war was going on. Only wish I could tell you more about what is happening but the censors won't permit it, but can say that I expect to be home much sooner than I did when I started. The American soldiers will make a record that the whole world will remember and believe that it will be so good no other Nation will want to tackle us for some time to come. Wish I could describe how quiet it is here tonight; they all go to bed here at dark and there isn't a sound to be heard. I took a bath in the stream today and you couldn't have made it any colder with ice, though the climate is warm here during the day, but the water is as clear as crystal and comes from springs in the mountains.

Got my first mail today, five letters from you and the oldest one was written June 4th. They were all older than the ones I got at Camp Mills. But maybe you think they didn't look good to me. Will likely get it in bunches from now on, and would appreciate a few magazines and home papers. Have only seen one newspaper since leaving N. Y., and I suppose I will not see another till I get home, and I couldn't read it if I did. I want to stay here as long as the war lasts, but believe me, I will be glad to start back to the U. S. A. when it is over. These old French women do everything in their power to make it pleasant for us, but we can't talk to each other. The old lady where I am staying has fixed everything as home like as possible for me, and I will always have a friendly feeling for the French people and am only too glad we are here to help them out. Will get a good rest here but expect it will get pretty tiresome if we stay too long. Any farm would be lively compared to this place, and to make it all the more lonely there is an old graveyard right in the center of town. I haven't had much sleep lately; have been on the move all the time. Will be very busy for a few weeks now and may not get a chance to write every day, as usual, as I haven't had a chance to do much work since leaving N. Y. and am glad to be busy here as there is nothing else to do and no near by town any better than this one. Will get me some tackle and fish after work a little later. The streams are very pretty here in the mountains, and I imagine fishing would be good. Don't know

how soon we'll move up to the front, but expect to get several weeks training here. Of all the soldiers I have met, I like the Australians best and hope to be put with them. They are more like our men than any of the others. Will go to church Sunday, that is if the church will hold us. Won't be able to get much good out of the sermon, but my intentions will be good any way. Before many more months will be back to go to our little church and we will appreciate being together more than ever. I always want to be home on Sunday more than any other time, as we were all together always. Don't suppose any of us appreciated very much at the time but we will after this.

Will write every chance I get and when you fail to hear it will be only because the mail has been delayed. No news will always be good news and there is absolutely nothing for you to worry about. I will always be glad that I enlisted and I think that is a sacrifice that every man should make and you should be glad I am able to do my part. Write to me as often as you can and remember I am always thinking about you, and hope to always see my duty first.

With love,
ROY.

Mrs. D. Reeder received the above letter from her son, Roy Reeder the first news from the young man since he landed "over there." This letter, like many others received from the boys over here, has a ring of Americanism in it that cause fathers and mothers to feel proud that they have a son on the front.

WOMEN TORTURED.

Suffer Terribly With Corns Because of High Heels, But Why Care Now.

Women wear high heels which buckle up their toes and they suffer terribly from corns. Women then proceed to trim these pests, seeking relief, but they hardly realize the terrible danger from infection, says a Cincinnati authority.

Corns can easily be lifted out with the fingers if you will get from any drug store a quarter of an ounce of a drug called freezone. This is sufficient to remove every hard or soft corn or callus from one's feet. You simply apply a few drops directly upon the tender, aching corn or callus. The soreness is relieved at once and the entire corn or callus, root and all, lifts out without one particle of pain.

This freezone is a sticky substance which dries in a moment. It just shrivels up the corn without inflaming or even irritating the surrounding tissue or skin. Tell your wife about this.

ARRIVED IN FRANCE.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Voelkel are just in receipt of a card stating that their son, Elmer, had arrived safely in France. Elmer volunteered early in May of this year, and went in the regular army, and is among the quick arrivals over seas.

Aubrey (Speck) Smiechle, writes to his mother from France saying that he arrived safely. Speck is the little Ballinger boy who had to fight the board of examiners all along the line to get in the army where he could fight the huns. He was rejected several times on account of being too small, but finally got in and made his way to France, and we predict that he will tackle the biggest hun on the battle line.

ARE GLAD TO GET SOLDIERS LETTERS

Quite a number of our readers have told us how they enjoyed reading letters from the soldiers in France. As the number of American boys increase in France the more interested the American people become in the conflict, and while the Americans are limited and can not write in detail of activities over there, what they do from time to time bits of news are included in the personal letters that creates a demand for more news from the front. These letters are all censored, and we feel at liberty to publish them when we have an opportunity to do so. Of course we reserve the right to cut out anything that is not of general interest, or that might be of more of a personal nature. We will appreciate it if those who receive good letters from France will submit them to us for publication.

Hardly a Drugstore in the Land That Does Not Sell This Remedy

On the Market Half a Century.

When you are in perfect health, and are enjoying a strong and vigorous vitality, it is then that your blood is free from all impurities.

You should be very careful and give heed to the slightest indication of impure blood. A sluggish circulation is often indicated by an impaired

appetite, a feeling of lassitude and a general weakening of the system. It is then that you should promptly take a few bottles of S. S. S., the great blood purifier and strengthener. It will cleanse the blood thoroughly and build up and strengthen the whole system. S. S. S. is sold by all druggists. Valuable information about the blood supply can be had free by writing to the Swift Specific Co., 24 Swift Laboratory, Atlanta, Ga.

Mrs. A. P. Luckett Entertains "Loyal Sons"

Mrs. A. P. Luckett entertained her Sunday School class, "Loyal Sons" and their friends on Tuesday evening. The time was very pleasantly passed in games.

Mrs. Luckett was assisted by Mrs. E. L. Rasbury of Ballinger. Misses Hazel Hester, Theresa Mae and Mary Bess Herndon, Lela Farmer, Fournel I and Beatrice Ward, Edna Hubby, Mary Barnette and Bama Banks.

Misses Cecil Hester, Le Roy Clark, Joe Thiele, Herman Hubby, Earl and Berl McKee, Whitley Ward, Esta Palmer, J. C. Coleman—Miles Messenger

LEMON JUICE IS FRECKLE REMOVER

Girls! Make This Cheap Beauty Lotion to Clear and Whiten Your Skin.

Squeeze the juice of two lemons into a bottle containing three ounces of orchard white, shake well, and you have a quarter pint of the best freckle and tan lotion, and complexion beautifier, at very, very, small cost.

Your grocer has the lemons and any drug store or toilet counter will supply three ounces of orchard white for a few cents. Massage this sweetly fragrant lotion into the face, neck, arms and hands each day and see how freckles and blemishes disappear and how clear, soft and white the skin becomes. Yes! It is harmless.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Hart and daughter, of Grandview, came in Sunday night to visit Mr. Hart's daughter Mrs. J. G. Douglass. Mr. Hart reports it dry in Johnson county, no rain having fallen in that county since the 17th of June.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Bailey, of Brownwood, are here visiting Mrs. Bailey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Lankford.

Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Hawkins who have been acting as bookkeeper and stenographer, respectively at the Winters State Bank for a long time, have resigned their positions and will move to Austin where Mr. Hawkins has a position with the American National Bank.—Winters Enterprise

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Sears and daughter, of White right, were here Saturday and Sunday visiting Mrs. Sears's sister, Mrs. Geo. Milliken and Mrs. Davis, of Hatchel. They are traveling in their car and left Monday for Lubbock.

W. T. Padgett spent Sunday with home folks and returned to Rowena Monday to resume his duties with the Home Oil Co.

Mrs. H. H. Luckett of Tayah, who had been visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. P. Shephard and family left Monday at noon to visit a while with her son Alfred Luckett and wife at Miles.

Mr. and Mrs. George Maddox and children left Saturday afternoon for Red Oak to join Mr. Maddox and will make home there for the present.

Mrs. Jess McDonald left for Houston to join Mr. McDonald where they will spend some time until business picks up in our section.

BOCHEE'S GERMAN SYRUP.

Will quiet your cough, soothe the inflammation of a sore throat and lungs, stop irritation in the bronchial tubes, insuring a good night's rest, free from coughing and with easy expectoration in the morning. Made and sold in America for fifty-two years. A wonderful prescription, assisting nature in building up your general health and throwing off the disease. Especially useful in lung trouble, asthma, croup, bronchitis, etc. For sale by J. Y. Pearce Drug Co. 30 and 90 cent bottles.

The Galsin 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 nor ringing in head. Remember the full name and look for the signature of E. W. GROVE, Inc.

AMERICAN CAVALRY CARRIES OUT ORDERS

Dr. T. A. Rape is in receipt of a letter from his nephew, Tom Rape, in which the young man writes interestingly of things in France.

Tom will be remembered by many in Ballinger. He spent his boyhood days here with his uncle. At the time he enlisted he was in the saddle and leather business and he joined the cavalry as a saddler. He says he is getting along fine in the army, and sends Dr. Rape a picture to prove it, the picture showing him in good health and every inch a man.

In the letter Tom says that he would like to write of war activities, but can't do so, and he suggests that what we read in the papers is true and then some. He enclosed a copy of an order, which bore the mark of the censor certifying that it was a true copy of the order passed by Gen. Gouradson on July 7th, just before the attack was made on the Americans. The order speaks for its self and is published below. Tom says it was carried out to a letter, and those who read of the brilliant manner in which the American cavalry stood their ground and defeated the huns will recall that there was no retreating.

No One Will Retreat

The following order of the day to the French and American soldiers of the Fourth Army was issued by Gen. Gouradson on July 7.

"We are liable to be attacked at any moment. You must all feel that never was a defensive battle begun under more favorable conditions. We are warned, and on our guard. We have been strongly reinforced in artillery and infantry. You are fighting on a ground which your incessant work has made into a fortress that will prove impregnable if the passages are well guarded. The bombardment will be terrible but you will endure it without flinching. There will be strong attacks amid clouds of dust, gas and smoke but your positions and armament are formidable. The brave and strong hearts of free men are beating in your breast. No one will retreat a single step. No one will have any thought but to kill as many of the enemy as possible, until they have had enough of it and this is why your General tells you, "You will shatter this attack," and this will be a great day."

To Improve Your Digestion.

"For years my digestion was so poor that I could only eat the lightest foods. I tried everything that I heard of to get relief, but not until about a year ago when I saw Chamberlain's Tablets advertised and got a bottle of them. Since taking them my digestion is fine."—Mrs. Blanche Bowers, Indiana, Pa.

Rev. C. L. Ewing, of Brownwood who preached at Paint Rock Sunday spent Monday with Ballinger friends and returned home Monday afternoon.

The Strong Withstand the Heat of Summer Better Than the Weak

Old people who are feeble and younger people who are weak, will be strengthened and enabled to go through the depressing heat of summer by taking GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC. It purifies and enriches the blood and builds up the whole system. You can soon feel its strengthening, invigorating effect. 60c.

W. G. Chapman, A. E. Brunson and Hardy Jones of the South Ballinger left Monday overland for the Ft. Worth country where they will work for a few months.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for the kindness and help shown us during the recent sadness brought upon us by the death of our son. We shall ever remember the good people who were so kind to us during these sad hours, and we take this method of thanking you all.

W. F. MESHAN and Family.

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The Woman's Tonic

You can rely on Cardui. Surely it will do for you what it has done for so many thousands of other women! It should help. "I was taken sick, seemed to be . . ." writes Mrs. Mary E. Vesie, of Madison Heights, Va. "I got down so weak, could hardly walk . . . just staggered around. . . . I read of Cardui, and after taking one bottle, or before taking quite all, I felt much better. I took 3 or 4 bottles at that time, and was able to do my work. I take it in the spring when run-down. I had no appetite, and I commenced eating. It is the best tonic I ever saw." Try Cardui.

All Druggists

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A. & S. Office Will Be Maintained in Abilene

Some of the offices of the Abilene & Southern will be maintained here, and not consolidated with the Wichita Valley offices at Fort Worth. J. M. Danner will be kept at Abilene as Federal Treasurer and Auditor for the railway while J. B. Shackelford will be retained at the Abilene office as General Freight and Passenger Agent.

Trains of the Abilene & Southern were operated for the last time from the Texas & Pacific station Thursday morning.—Abilene Times.

Miss Lorena Riley, of Winters, who had been visiting her sister, Mrs. C. C. Britton and family for a few days, left Monday afternoon for Brownwood.

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CHARGED WITH DAMAGING POSTER

San Angelo, Aug. 9.—The alleged mutilating of a United States poster on July 25 caused the arrest in San Angelo Wednesday of G. D. Felton of 33 North Magdalen St. The warrant, issued by Jesse Couch, deputy federal clerk, upon a complaint filed by Sergeant Leon K. Turnburke, was served by Baylor Crawford, deputy United States marshal from Abilene.

Mr. Felton was arraigned in federal court and, waiving a preliminary hearing, was placed under a \$500 bond, which he readily made, John R. Nasworthy and W. M. Hemphill signing it.

The penalty for violation of the paragraph in section 3 of the espionage act, under which the offense in question is classed as not less than two or more than twenty years' imprisonment.

The recruiting poster that was torn down was tacked to an army billboard on the east side of the federal building on Oakes Street. When Mr. Felton was brought in to court Wednesday, he denied the charge against him. It is stated that there will be a number of witnesses in the case when its presentation before the jury for investigation at the next term of court.

LEFT FOR ARKANSAS.

Mrs. A. D. Taylor and daughter, Miss Rosa, of the Norton country, left Friday afternoon for Leslie, Ark., to join Mr. Taylor to make their future home in that section. Mr. Taylor shipped out his stock and household goods a week ago.

THE STARS AND STRIPES

Through the courtesy of R. B. Creasy we have had the pleasure of reading a copy of the Stars and Stripes, the official newspaper of the American Expeditionary Forces, published by and for the soldiers of the A. E. F. in France. The paper is full of news of interest to the public as well as of particular interest to the men who it is especially edited and published for.

The soldiers newspaper carries American news by cablegram, and the latest orders of the war department and important measures pending and passed in the American congress are featured in the paper. American cablegrams tell of the speedy ship construction being carried on in America, as well as the fight or work order put in force over here. This is no doubt good news to the Americans who are fighting in France.

RETURNED HOME

Mrs. Chester Cherry, who had been on an extended visit of two months to relatives and friends at Wichita Falls, Ft. Worth, Waco Galveston and Houston, returned home Sunday night. She was accompanied home by her sister, Mrs. E. A. Zureher, of Houston, who will visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wilke and family a few weeks.

GOOD SHOT FOR

THE BOCHES

G. W. Danlap is in receipt of a card from Diaz Wood, dated in France, July 15th, which says: "I often think of your good eye for the deer and wish every American soldier had one as good for the boches. I am in excellent health and am well pleased with my surroundings. Tell all the boys hello and keep them going straight."

UNIVERSITY PLANNED FOR MOUNT OF OLIVES

London, Aug. 9.—The Mount of Olives, near Jerusalem, is to be the site of a university. The institution is to be founded by the Zionist societies of the world. While primarily for Jews, it will be open to students from all nations, Zionist authorities have announced.

Present plans include a school of liberal arts and sciences and a school of medicine. Other branches will be added as the university grows.

The institution will be opened as soon as conditions in the Holy Land permit.

An attempt will be made to use the ancient Hebrew as the classroom language.

J. D. Miller, the Norton druggist was transacting business in Ballinger Friday.

Food Questions Answered FISH



Is fish a "brain food"? No more so than other foods. Fish contains a high percentage of phosphorus and when food values were first discussed this was credited as "brain" food. Phosphorus is no more a brain builder than other substances of which the brain is composed.

When is the best time to substitute fish for meat?

In the spring and summer when many varieties of fish are plentiful.

Is fish cheaper in warm weather?

Yes. Particularly in localities near the source of supply.

Which are more plentiful, the ocean or inland fish?

Ocean fish. The growth of large cities on inland rivers has brought into existence many mills and factories which pollute the waters and drive away the fish.

Which variety of fish furnishes the greatest food value?

The oily varieties, such as salmon and mackerel.

Where are these found in abundance?

Salmon on the Pacific coast, and mackerel on the Atlantic coast.

Why should we have frozen fish?

Because that makes it possible to have good fish in inland towns and cities.

Is frozen fish good?

Fish is frozen for market only when it is absolutely in good condition, and people should not fear to use it.

Should the fish be thawed out at the retailer's?

Not as soon as the fish is thawed out it deteriorates rapidly.

What should the housekeeper do?

She should insist on getting the fish frozen at the retailer's and keep it frozen until she wishes to use it.

How long does this process take?

Several hours.

Is there a quicker way to thaw it out?

Yes; by putting it in cold water; never hot.

Should the water it is thawed out in be used?

By all means use the water if the fish is boiled; or use it for chowder. Some of the value of the fish goes into the water and is thus lost unless the water is made use of.

What are the advantages of cold-storage fish?

1. It brings good fish into large cities.

2. It standardizes the price of fish.

3. It lowers the annual price of fish.

4. It makes the transportation and caring for fish possible and safe.

5. It provides fish out of season.

Does these same points hold good for cold-storage foods in general?

Yes.



CAMP CONSERVATION.

Fish for food as well as for pleasure, suggests the United States Food Administration to the thousands of families who spend several weeks every summer in cottages on lakes and streams. Fish as a substitute for meat has long been urged, and now that the shortage of beef is again serious, it is desirable to increase the use of fish.

Fishing has an added charm when one's dinner depends on the outcome, and the sport of camp cookery should be more attractive in a game to see how many delicious ways the fresh catch can be prepared for the table.

Besides fried, baked and stuffed fish, there are other means of preparation which adapt themselves readily to camp kitchens.

FISH CHOWDER.

3 lbs. fish
4 tablespoons dripping
1 medium onion, chopped fine
3 quart sliced potatoes
2 cups hot milk
Skin and bone the fish and cut into inch cubes. Cover the bones and trimmings with cold water and simmer for one-half hour. Cook the onion in the fat for five minutes in a stewpan.
Strain the liquid and pour into a bowl. Season each layer with salt and pepper. Strain the liquid in which the fish bones have been boiling over all and cook about twenty minutes until fish and potatoes are tender. Then add the strained milk. If desired, thicken, sprinkle a little cornmeal between each layer of fish and potatoes.

The following sauces may be served with fish to add variety:

VEGETABLE SAUCE.

Add one-half cup of green peas, chopped celery, asparagus, cauliflower, or mushrooms to one cup of white sauce. Season well and serve with fish balls.

CHEESE SAUCE.

Add one-half cup of grated cheese to one cup of white sauce. Use paprika instead of pepper in making sauce.

OUR SAVED FOOD FED THE ALLIES

Food Administrator Writes President America Conserved 141,000,000 Bushels Wheat.

CREDIT DUE TO WOMEN.

Meat and Fat Shipments Increased by 844,600,000 Pounds.

Conservation measures applied by the American people enabled the United States to ship to the Allied peoples and to our own forces overseas 141,000,000 bushels of wheat and 844,600,000 pounds of meat during the past year, valued in all at \$1,400,000,000. This was accomplished in the face of a serious food shortage in this country, bespeaking the wholeheartedness and patriotism with which the American people have met the food crisis abroad.

Food Administrator Hoover, in a letter to President Wilson, explains how the situation was met. The voluntary conservation program fostered by the Food Administration enabled the piling up of the millions of bushels of wheat during 1917-18 and the shipment of meat during 1917-18.

The total value of all food shipments to Allied destinations amounted to \$1,400,000,000, all this food being bought through or in collaboration with the Food Administration. These figures are all based on official reports and represent food exports for the harvest year that closed June 30, 1918. The shipments of meats and fats (including meat products, dairy products, vegetable oils, etc.) to Allied destinations were as follows:

Fiscal year 1916-17... 2,166,500,000 lbs.

Fiscal year 1917-18... 3,011,100,000 lbs.

Increase 844,600,000 lbs.

Studied Problem of Sugar Ration for Families.

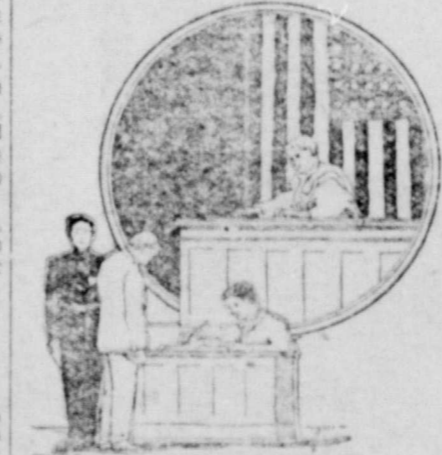


Not as a rule or a regulation, nor even as a service rule, the State administrators of the sixth zone at a conference in Memphis, Tenn., on Saturday, July 27, listened with interest to the recommendation that the housewife might solve her problem of the two pounds a month sugar rations in the home by placing the open sugar bowl on the table at breakfast with the apportionment for the whole family in the bowl and then leave it to the family to help themselves, the remainder each day to be collected and made into war pastries to gratify the sweet tooth.

Monday morning Administrator Peden and R. F. Crow, his first assistant, returned from Memphis. The conference in Tennessee was attended by the following State administrators: John M. Parker, Louisiana; Hamilton Williams, Arkansas; Dr. H. W. Morgan, Tennessee; C. B. Ames, Oklahoma; P. M. Hardy, Mississippi, and E. A. Peden, Texas.

The principal subjects for discussion were uniform service rules on the handling of sugar and flour; details for a new program on cotton seed industries, and the question of a staff of inspectors.

July Penalties Imposed By U. S. Food Administration in Texas



The mill of H. C. Eight Milling Company of Dublin, Texas, was at a stand still for the period of five days beginning July 22, 1918, and ending July 27, 1918, in pursuance of an order from the Enforcement Division of the Food Administration. The mill, as the testimony disclosed, made sales of wheat flour without complying with the substitute rule.

The license of S. Wiederman, No. G-26145, San Antonio, Texas, as whole saler and jobber of cornmeal, dried beans, cotton seed oil, evaporated milk, eggs, fresh fruits and vegetables, has been revoked by the United States Food Administration, effective July 26, 1918, and continuing until further notice, for selling licensed commodities at wholesale with a licensee charging prices which sustained the charge of excessive profits.

Calomel Users! Listen To Me!

I Guarantee Dodson's Liver Tone

Your druggist gives back your money if it doesn't liven your liver and bowels and straighten you up without making you sick.

There's no reason why a person should take sickening, salivating calomel when a few cents buys a large bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone—a perfect substitute for calomel.

It is a pleasant, vegetable liquid which will start your liver just as surely as calomel, but it doesn't make you sick and can not salivate.

Children and grown folks can take Dodson's Liver Tone, because it is perfectly harmless.

Calomel is a dangerous drug. It

is mercury and attacks your bones. Take a dose of nasty calomel today and you will feel weak, sick and nauseated tomorrow. Don't lose a day's work. Take a spoonful of Dodson's Liver Tone instead and you will wake up feeling great. No more biliousness, constipation, sluggishness, headache, coated tongue or sour stomach. Your druggist says if you don't find Dodson's Liver Tone acts better than horrible calomel your money is waiting for you.

RECREATION FOR OUR SOLDIERS BOYS

Camp Travis, Tex., Aug. 12.—That there is more hard work for the recruit in the U. S. army is best indicated perhaps by figures recently announced by the Y. M. C. A. for the Camp here. When it is to be considered that the soldier is likewise entertained by the Knights of Columbus and by several organizations the civilian can see that the United States Government really appreciates the fact that "all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy" and is doing everything possible to obviate this.

During the month of July alone 44,938 men played in various recreational and athletic games, such as baseball, indoor baseball, volley ball, snook, boxing, wrestling, etc. Athletics have become a part of the soldier's training. Because of this the American soldier is quick to think, quick to act has speed and stamina. Each and every company has its athletic box with athletic equipment and drill is deftly sandwichted in with boxing, running, etc. all to the same end, the development of a soldier in every sense the word implies.

That the athletics is of high standard and perfected by the finest physical directors and instructors in the country is evidenced perhaps in the fact that 95,501 people witnessed various athletic contests during the month. They came not only from San Antonio, but from surrounding towns. At one baseball game there were more than 5000 people, and its estimated approximately that number saw a championship boxing card on one of the drill fields. These contests are arranged by such men as Johnnie Codlon, former batmanweight champion of the world, assisted by Bobby Burns a former contender; Bud Goodwin who holds several world's records at this time as the champion swimmer of the world. The soldier has an opportunity of free instruction in boxing, in swimming etc, by these men sent here by the commission on war activities.

But athletics are not all the soldier has as diversion. There are entertainments galore. The finest dramatic talent in San Antonio and neighborhood entertains the soldiers at the camp. During the month there was a total attendance of 49,086 at entertainments of various kinds. These range from musical programs to lectures on military subjects, and it would surprise the civilian to know the interest the soldier takes in lectures on military subjects, combined with moving pictures. Some of the lectures have been on thrift, on social and economic questions, on health.

Camp Travis has a splendid library open to the soldiers. Here all the late periodicals, newspapers and war books are available. Every late war book as soon as it comes off the press is sent here immediately. There are 25,000 volumes or more available to the soldiers in the camp through the general library and company and branch libraries and they are all well patronized. The Y. M. C. A. alone gave away 23,178 volumes.

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during the month of July to soldiers.

In religious circles, much has already been said. There are 159 classes in Bible study in operation at present. Religious meetings numbering 163 were held by the Y. M. C. A. during the month of July and the total attendance was 46,289. The religious activities are confined to any one faith, for every one has its ceremonies at regularly appointed times.

All of this is optional with the soldier. But there is a portion that is compulsory. It is of lectures given by the company commanders on health, hygiene, care of the feet, care of the equipment, "Why we are at War" etc. All of these are intended to better fit the soldier for the part he is to play in the army. Then there is the regular exercise periods conducted by the company commanders in which the soldier is required to take part each morning before breakfast and during the day's drill period. These exercises are to develop and harden the muscles, to develop agility and strong winds, to start the blood in circulation and quick the brain action.

This is all in the army camp. San Antonio nearby offers numerous other opportunities for pleasure, amusement and improvement, physically and mentally.

News from W. G. Coggins and boys, who have been working in Wichita Falls for some time, state that they are going to Corsicana, where they will probably locate and Mrs. Coggins and the Girls who are in Ballinger will join them and make their home at that place. We regret to hear that they will probably move away from Ballinger.

Lon Mapes, of the Pony Creek country passed through Ballinger Monday en route to South Texas on a business trip.

Mrs. Leon Ward and son, of Austin, who had been visiting her family, the past few weeks left for home Monday afternoon.

Rev. Browley, of Santa Anna, who preached at New Home over Sunday passed through Ballinger Monday en route home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruno Zachang, of the Jamison neighborhood, left Monday afternoon for San Antonio where he will do farm work until time to work a crop here.

HELP US GET THE NEWS

Please do not be too timid to help the newspaper man give the news. Our local reporter meets all the trains, but in this day of auto travel more people are going and coming by auto than by rail, and we have no way of getting the names of those who come to see you in their auto, or to make mention of your going away by auto unless some one tells us about it. It will be a small matter for you to step to the phone, call 27 and give us the names, the parties, and where they are from. We will do the rest, and this will help us to give the people just what the people want to read. It will be a favor to us, and we will appreciate it.

NOTICE

Now is the time to make your application for land loans. I loan money on land in Burnetts County at 8 percent, interest and extend Vendors Lien Notes bearing 8 per cent, interest, and charge no commission for placing your loans. For further information write or call on

H. Giesecke Ballinger, Texas.

For Cleaning, Pressing and Repairing---Phone 97



Auto Delivery

21s MUST REGISTER ON AUGUST 24, THIS YEAR

Washington, Aug. 14.—Provost Marshall Crowder today ordered draft boards to prepare for registering all young men who have become 21 since June 5th, and fixed August 24th as the day for American boys reaching twenty-one to register. The new registration day and the calling of more young men to qualify for the draft has been ordered for the purpose of preparing for a possible delay in the passage of the manpower bill.

BALLINGER BOY ON THE JOB IN FRANCE

Mrs. Alma Bunje, of Jersey City, N. J., who is here visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Drennon, called at the Ledger office Wednesday morning and gave a good report of her brother, Lee R. Drennon. Mrs. Bunje will be remembered in Ballinger as Miss Alma Drennon. She went from Ballinger to the Pacific coast and later went to the Atlantic coast. In a statement to the Ledger she said:

"I received a letter from my brother, Lee, on August 13th, saying that he was going over there. He is with the 39th Division of engineers. Of course he won't be in the fighting lines, as some of the other Ballinger boys are, but will rebuild bridges which have been destroyed by the Germans and help to rebuild France. Now being a member of the Red Cross of Jersey City, I wish to extend my thanks to all the Red Cross ladies of Ballinger for the good work they have done for our boys over there. We can and must help our boys win the war. God Bless all our boys who have gone over. We feel prouder of our boys and our one hope is that they will all return safe."

What the Americans are Doing in France

Hillsboro, Texas Aug. 12.—Ralph E. Boykin, who was raised in Penelope, son of Professor and Mrs. R. E. Boykin, writes to relatives here that he is in the hospital in France wounded, having received his wound while engaged in close quarters with the enemy. He states that he killed seven Germans at one time, having killed four when his gun went out of commission, then jerking a weapon from the body of a dead German, he got three more. Boykin belongs to the Marine Corps.

Mrs. Allen's husband is a lieutenant in the aviation corps and is now in France.

Undertaking Goods Licensed Embalmers

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Conditions

are bad. We all realize this. But let's not get discouraged. We don't blame anyone from leaving here now and going where they can get work, but don't burn the bridges behind you. Twelve months can change conditions here until prosperity can abound on every hand. When you get to East Texas and the fever and chills begin to strike you, you will again begin to think of the sun-shiny days in the West, where you enjoyed good health, and when you at least felt like working when you had any work to do. You will hear of the prosperous conditions here. You will want to be back and you will come back; so don't burn the bridges behind you—we will be here to welcome you back.

Wm. Cameron & Co., Inc.

Banner-Ledger Want Ads

WANTED

WANTED—Employees for Government work. We can use a few families of inexperienced help in manufacture of cotton goods for the United States Government. Pay beginning \$1.50 per day. Can furnish work for every member of family old enough to work, both male and female.

Great many of our hands make from two to three dollars per day some as high as four dollars.

Pay 15 per cent, bonus for full time for weaving and spinning. House rent twenty-five cents per room per week. Good water and healthy location.

Address South Texas Cotton Mill Brenham, Texas. 12-d2t 1tw.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Regal, five passenger auto, or will trade for city property. N. Passur. 8-dtf.

FOR SALE—Scholarship in Draughts Practical Business College, Dallas Texas, good for life time and complete course in shorthand and typewriter course. The government needs stenographers.

This is a first class college and we will sell this scholarship at a bargain.

Ballinger Printing Co. dtwf.

FOR SALE—Cockrells, about 10 full blooded black mirrocas of the wonderful Fort Wayne, Indiana, pens of Geo. A. Pape. Also two fine Barred Roek Cockrells. See R. E. Truly at Ledger office. d&w tf

FEEL LIKE GIVING UP?

Many Ballinger People on Verge of Collapse.

A bad back makes you miserable all the time—Lame every morning; sore all day.

It hurts to stoop—it hurts to straighten.

What with headache, dizzy spells, urinary weakness,

No wonder people are discouraged.

Who do not know the kidneys may be the cause of it all.

Give the weakened kidneys needed help.

Use a tested and proven kidney remedy.

None endorsed like Doan's Kidney Pills.

Geo. B. Eskridge, Prop. of shooting gallery, Main St., Ballinger, says: "I had a spell of grip that settled on my kidneys. I suffered so much from my back I could hardly keep going and I had dull, throbbing pains across my loins. My sight blurred and I had dizzy spells. The kidney secretions were irregular in passage. I used Doan's Kidney Pills which I got from the Walker Drug Co., and they strengthened my back and relieved all symptoms of kidney complaint."

Price 60c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Eskridge had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfgs., Buffalo, N. Y.

Forrest Futch Jr., left Monday afternoon for Clifton, Miss. where he will spend the Winter visiting his aunt Mrs. Williams and attend school the ensuing year.

Albert Livingston and Will Hale of the Talpa country were transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

E. D. Norman, of the Valley creek country, loaded out this week and will try life in Collins county. He expects to keep up with Runnels county through the Ledger.

J. L. Strube was here from Olfin country Monday, and says the good lady at his house declines to do without the Daily Ledger and he reinstated.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kidd were here from Talpa Tuesday, visiting friends and looking after business.

THE KNOCKERS HAVE A BIG JOB

Lampasas, Tex., Aug. 13.—No rain has fallen at this place for the last forty-four days. Small grain and corn were a total failure except in spots. Some wheat was produced, but indications are that there will not be one bale of cotton picked for each farm in the county, some reputable farmers stating that they will only get from 60 to 100 acre fields of cotton. According to opinion of those who have resided here for thirty years or more, crop conditions are the worst in their memory, and the small farmer is in hard circumstances, not having produced sufficient grain to pay for the seeding of the land, and will have to have help.

It is probably that including those that are in the army the population of Lampasas county has been reduced one-third, so large a number of people having been forced to go to Eastern part of the state to secure work, and more are leaving every day.

For the first time on record the Colorado river on the Western edge of this county has ceased to flow, and is standing in holes, which indicates that west of Lampasas is worse than here.

Cotton receipts at this place will not be more than 600 bales, is the general opinion.—Dispatch in Dallas News.

It is not desertion for a man to move at this time, but the fellow who curses the country he goes has a big job on his hands. The drought is not confined to small territory, but extends over a country as large as half of Texas and two or three other states, including Oklahoma and New Mexico. The drought is nothing more nor less than reverses experienced from time to time by all countries. We recall only a few years ago when the cotton states east of the Mississippi and the eastern part of Texas was wiped out by the pesky boll weevil, and the country suffered reverses that bankrupt the farmers.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Lynn and Mrs. Townsend, Mrs. Lynn's mother, attended church in Ballinger Sunday and were the guest of Judge and Mrs. J. W. Powell for dinner.

R. L. Clayton, of the Benoit country, came in from Fort Worth Tuesday night, where he has been working in the stockyards. He reports cattle pouring on the market at the rate of many thousand per day, and says good cows sold mighty cheap a few days ago, but everything jumped about one dollar Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Ellis are at home from a six weeks stay with their son, W. L. Ellis, at Brownwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Aycock, of Andrews, Texas, are visiting Mr. Aycock's father in the Spring Hill community.

Mrs. Tom Vandervanter and children left Tuesday for Colorado, where they go to join their husband an dfather, who has located in that state. News from Tom says he is well pleased and is getting along fine.

W. B. Dunlap and John Reese are at home from Eastland, where they have been enjoying the prosperity of the oil boom. They report considerable sickness at Eastland and came home to remain until the health conditions clear up.

W. C. Sheppard, who has been linotype operator for the Ledger for several months, will leave Wednesday afternoon for Austin, where he goes to enter the government's mechanical training school. Mr. Sheppard was a new registrant of the 1918 class, but volunteered, after enlisting in the National Guard company here. W. G. Simmons of Oklahoma, will succeed Mr. Sheppard on the linotype work in the Ledger office.

Mrs. J. Shields, of Dallas, is here visiting her sister Mrs. W. A. Taylor. Mrs. Shield's children have been here some time.

FERGUSON MAKES DYING STATEMENT

Temple, Tex., Aug. 8.—Declaring that he received a full majority of male votes in the July primary but that even if he disposed to contest the election the expenses would be more than he could stand, former Governor J. E. Ferguson in a lengthy statement, given out this morning accepts the result of the primary and advises his friends to do likewise.

He defends his loan from the brewers alleging that Governor Hobby, Barry Miller, Colquitt, Jake Wolters, R. M. Johnston and others have also been under obligations of a similar nature. Full suffrage for women is favored and elimination of poll tax payments.

The statement is made that he will continue to take active interests in politics and may or may not run for office again.

USING AUTOS FOR CHURCH PEWS

The cooperative services being held each Sunday night on the school campus will be made an every night and Sunday meeting on the 25th of this month. That is the date set for a union revival to begin.

Far the Sunday night services many autos have been parked around the seats provided by benches, and the preachers have been patient and tolerated the disturbances caused by this way of attending church, but we have been informed that autos will be prohibited on the school ground.

As long as there was good order no complaint was made, just what was expected has happened and some of these who come to church and remain in their autos spend the time in talking and giggling. This works a hardship on those who occupy seats in their car and enjoy the sermon, but the innocent must be made to suffer for the guilty. It has ever been thus since Adam, lost his way in the Garden of Eden. Nothing but an order prohibiting autos on the school campus will keep the giggling kind from disturbing public worship.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Shultz have moved in from their ranch near Millersview, and have rooms at the home of Mrs. D. C. Simpson. They will probably spend the winter in Ballinger.

ARTILLERY BATTLE RAGING ON THIRTY MILE FRONT

Continued from Page One.

London, Aug. 10.—The American troops are participating in the Picardy drive, the British war office announces. Cooperating with the British they took all objectives, including Morlancourt, where the Germans had made their most stubborn resistance.

News received early in the day says that Montdidier is threatened by the new French who made sudden attack again in the third days drive. Over 24,000 prisoners have been taken in the Picardy drive.

Washington, Aug. 9.—The state department received official notice confirming the announcement that the Bolshevik government has declared that a state of war existed between that government and the government of the entente allied nations.

With British, Aug. 9.—The British on the Picardy front alone have captured up to date more than 20,000 Germans in two day's drive. The British cavalry takes a number of additional villages in today's fighting. The drive continues successfully on Flanders. The losses to the Germans in materials and supplies alone constitutes a heavy blow to the German army, which is crumbling as it falls back over a front of more than eight miles.

London, Aug. 9.—The British, while sweeping forward on a new offensive front in Picardy advanced in Flanders today, taking many prisoners and guns.

The initial progress of two miles on an eight mile front along the southwestern portion of the Flanders salient, was added to with another rapid advance today, and the capture of five villages in Picardy has been reported by the British war office.

It is unofficially reported, but through reliable sources that the British have captured Morlancourt, and that the British cavalry have arrived at Chaulnes Junction.

The British war office reports the capture of 14,000 prisoners and uncounted numbers of guns and rich stores of supplies.

Consider the Future

It has always been the part of better wisdom to save, but TODAY, SAVING serves a double purpose. Our government needs MONEY to carry on the abnormal demand of a destructive war and it is inviting you to do your part by offering investments never heretofore obtainable for small sums. The interest rate is as good as the best class of securities used to bring. Our facilities for providing Thrift & War Savings Stamps are at your disposal.

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