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U. S. WILL BRIDGE ATLANTIC AND SMASH SUB BLOCKADE

By Robert J. Bender
WASHINGTON, April 12.—In its efforts to smash Germany's submarine blockade the United States will virtually bridge the Atlantic ocean. It was announced today that the American government was planning to construct three thousand small wooden boats. The most tremendous merchant ship building program ever undertaken has been completed and plans approved by the president. The boats are to be used to transport food supplies to the entente allies. This is America's answer to Lloyd George's appeal that ultimate success of the allies depends upon the solving of the tonnage difficulties.

The government shipping board has sent out a call for one hundred and fifty thousand lumbermen and wood workers to begin the task of building ships immediately. It is planned to complete the first thousand ships within eighteen months.

In rendering the U-boat menace practically nil the United States proposes to run its merchant ships in such a fashion as to constitute a veritable pontoon across the Atlantic.

One boat will be placed every three miles. This tremendous number of vessels is expected to exhaust the most valiant efforts of the German submarines.

Work on ways for these ships is already begun at Jacksonville, Florida; Beaumont, Texas, and half a dozen other ship building yards. Commencing November first, three of the ships will daily sail into service.

General Goethals, constructor of the Panama Canal, will superintend the construction and maintenance of the "jitney fleet," it is stated.

Mrs. Cicero Smith, of Dallas, came in Thursday at noon to look after property interests in our city and county.

Mrs. Jamison, of Christoval, came in Wednesday afternoon to visit her nephew E. Allison and family.

WARNING TO VESSELS ON PACIFIC

SAN FRANCISCO, April 12.—That submarines are operating or are about to begin operations in the Pacific ocean in a warning that is being flashed from radio stations at naval bases on the Pacific coast. Warnings have been sent out to all vessels plying on the Atlantic following a warning received from the Washington navy department. The radio stations have been repeatedly sending out the warnings today in order to get in touch with all vessels sailing on the Pacific.

PEACE TALK MAY COME FROM GERMANY

COPENHAGEN, April 12.—Reports are current in official circles here to the effect that the German foreign office is making overtures to the United States towards the possibility of forming peace terms.

COPENHAGEN, April 12.—Danish official circles manifested an intense interest in the apparently positive reports from Berlin concerning peace overtures to the United States.

It is understood in this city that Secretary Lansing has already received peace proposals unofficially. Col. E. M. House of Texas, would go to The Hague for a secret unofficial peace conference, according to the reports reaching here.

Weather Forecast
Tonight fair, colder; Friday fair, warmer.

TO HURL FULL FORCE IN BATTLE

LONDON, April 12.—The greatest battle of the war is coming soon. Germany has her reserved army ready to hurl its full force against the allied line on the west front, according to General Maurice, director of military operations.

PENFIELD REFUSES TO DISCUSS BREAK

PARIS, April 12.—American Ambassador Penfield to Austro-Hungary, arrived here today en route to Washington. Mr. Penfield refused to discuss the break in relations between Austria and United States.

AUSTRIA APPEALS TO POPE FOR PEACE

ROME, April 12.—Austria is pressing Pope Benedict to start a move for peace, according to authentic report. Vatican circles declared that the Pope is refusing to urge peace for diplomatic reasons.

Thousands to Take Part In Patriotic Rally Friday

Every detail has been carefully worked out by the busy committee and a demonstration will be staged here Friday that promises to excel anything of the kind ever held in Central West Texas. Enthusiasm is at a high pitch to begin with and the people are looking forward with eagerness to the coming of the hour when all business will be suspended and people from all over the county will assemble at the Central school campus and there form a line of march that will bring together the great concourse of people at the public square.

So far there has not been the least hitch in the working out of details for the success of the day. Every one has come up with his or her part, and the business houses have signified not only their willingness to suspend business at two-thirty and remain closed until five o'clock but many of the businessmen have expressed a desire to do so.

The demonstration will be inspiring, and those who fail to come here to witness it will miss a treat. The program is one that will create a spirit of patriotism among the people, and a loyalty to the flag will be instilled into the several hundred school children who will participate in the rally.

The committee has requested that every one be on the Central school campus promptly at two-thirty o'clock. The parade will be formed in the following order, each section being in line under the direction of the captain named, with a few possible changes:

Rough Riders, J. P. Flynt, captain.
Band.
First Company Ballinger Volunteers, F. M. Pearce, captain.
Uncle Sam.
Union and Confederate Soldiers—B. S. Taylor and H. A. Cady,

CANADIANS WIN NEW WAR HONORS

By William Philip Simms.
WITH THE BRITISH ARMIES IN THE FIELD, April 12.—Canadian forces with the British armies earned new honors today. Storming a German line the Canadians advanced one mile on a front south of the famous Vimy ridge.

Texan Takes Stars and Stripes into World War.

Ottawa, April 12.—The Stars and Stripes went into battle for the first time in the world war during the recent entente storming of Vimy ridge in France, according to an unofficial dispatch received here yesterday from Canadian army headquarters in Europe. "To a young Texan who is now lying wounded in the hospital," the dispatch reads, "belongs the honor of first carrying the American flag into battle in the European war, into which the United States, as a belligerent, has just entered. He went up to the assault at the Lus carrying the Stars and Stripes on his back and fell thus."

BULGARIAN MINISTER COMING HOME

PARIS, April 12.—The American minister to Bulgaria has been handed his passports, and left today for Sofia, according to dispatches received here.

SAYS AMERICA TO BRING REAL PEACE TO WORLD

BIG FIGHT ON GENERAL STAFF BILL

WASHINGTON, April 12.—A threat of a serious fight loomed up today over the General Staff's army bill.

Majority Leader Kitchin in sounding out the anti-conscription sentiment found it strong. Friends of the selective draft system are dwindling, but most supporters of the measure believe President Wilson will force its passage through.

SEPARATE MEETINGS BY WAR COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, April 12.—Separate meetings of French and British war commissions with the American government heads will be held soon, the state department announced today.

The two groups will not come jointly, meeting in different places. Minister of Justice Viviani and possibly General Joffre will represent France in these conferences.

CAR NAVY RECRUITS LEAVE TEXAS DAILY

DALLAS, April 12.—A special car of navy recruits is being dispatched from Dallas every day to Great Lakes, the training station in Illinois near Chicago.

During the past ten days 433 men have joined the colors at the enlistment offices here and 273 of these joined the navy.

Wm. Smiley and H. W. Henniger, of the Winters country, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Thursday.

LONDON, April 12.—"I can see peace coming now, not peace merely beginning of the other war but real peace," was the salutation of Premier Lloyd George sent to America attending the tumultuously demonstrative meeting of the American Luncheon Club this morning. "I as minister in behalf of Britain salute America as one of our comrades in arms," declared George. "I am proud of it and we rejoice that America won the right to be at peace conference table when terms are fixed. This is the greatest struggle ever fought for liberty upon which America embarked," continued the minister.

RIOTS IN BRAZIL IN FAVOR OF WAR

RIO DE JANEIRO, April 12.—Serious outbreaks at Sao Paulo marked the continuous public insistence in Brazil for war with Germany.

ALL STORES CLOSE FOR BIG RALLY

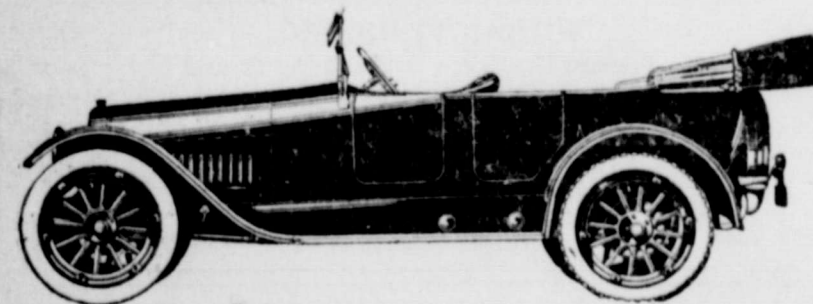
Postmaster Erwin requests us to state that the postoffice will be closed from two-thirty to five o'clock Friday afternoon, the entire postoffice force desiring to participate in the patriotic rally.

It is understood that every business house in the city will close during this time, and every one will participate in the rally. The two hours will be devoted to carrying out a program that will be one of the most inspiring ever witnessed in this city. All stores will open at five o'clock or as soon as the program is completed.

SAYS COTTON COMING UP

Willard Reese of the Benoit country, was transacting business in Ballinger Wednesday and reports a good rain at his place this week. Mr. Reese says he has cotton up to a good stand and feed stuff looking good since the rain Tuesday night.

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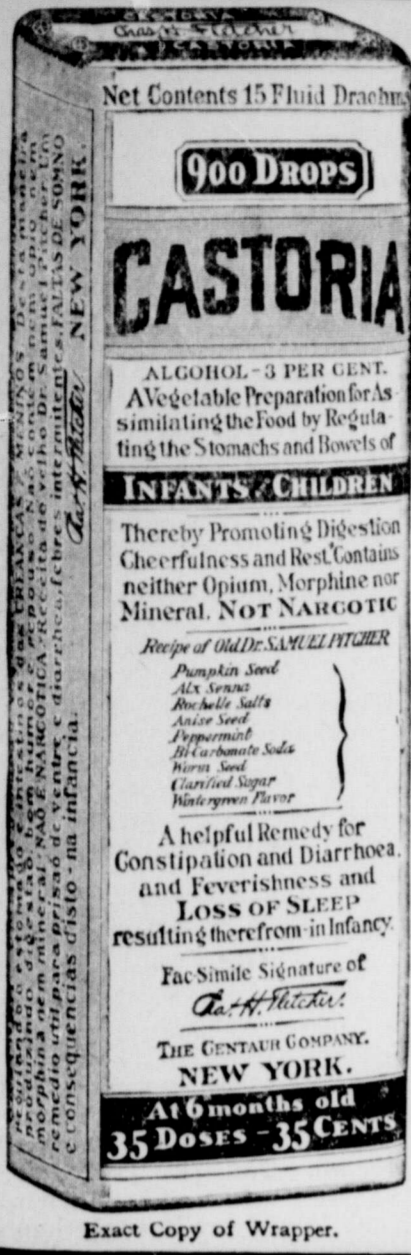
2:30 to 5:00 P. M.

Patriotic Parade FRIDAY

That all of our employees may take part in the Patriotic Parade this store will be closed Friday from 2:30 to 5:00 P. M.

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FORMER CITY PASTOR JOINS U. S. ARMY

Rev. E. R. Stanford, who was formerly pastor of the Ballinger Methodist church, and who has been connected with the McKinney Avenue Methodist church at Fort Worth, will leave shortly for the United States army. Mr. Stanford has been here for the past two days on a visit to friends in Ballinger before leaving for the front.

The preacher will go to the U. S. A., as a chaplain, having enlisted as such in Fort Worth some time ago.

Several other Ballinger people are intending to join the army and navy service as soon as they can make their arrangements, among whom is a Ballinger physician. Of course most of the young men, single and married both, are joining the infantry company being drilled here by Frank Pearce.

WINTERS READERS GET PAPER BY CARRIER

The Ledger has perfected arrangements for delivering the Daily Ledger by jitney to Winters. A carrier boy has been secured to deliver the papers to the subscribers at Winters immediately upon the arrival of the five o'clock jitney. Those who have been receiving their Daily Ledger thru the mail at Winters will now receive it by carrier, the boy delivering the paper to your place of business or to your residence. Please see the boy and instruct him where you wish your paper delivered and it will be delivered promptly upon arrival of the jitney. If you prefer that your paper come through the mail instead of being delivered by the boy, please so instruct us.

After paying the jitney man for carrying the papers to Winters each afternoon, and after paying the boy for delivering the papers to the subscribers, there will be little left for the publishers of the paper, but we trust that the people of Winters will appreciate our efforts to give them a daily paper carrying telegraph news service an hour after it comes off the press, giving the news from over the world while its news, and at the same time giving the local news of Runnels county.

We begin with a nice list of readers and expect to add to this list as fast as we can show the people the advantage of getting a daily on the day it is published. The following named parties will receive The Ledger by carrier today, and regularly hereafter, and others will be given a chance to subscribe.

E. A. Shepperd, H. W. Lynn, W. H. Mullin, D. B. Diggs, The Winters State Bank, W. E. Davis, C. C. Britton, Fallis Brothers, C. T. Grant Ed Eason, W. P. Hawkins, T. G. Carr, F. Wesley Gray, T. E. Brice, W. R. Gannaway, J. O. Harrell, I. J. C. Hamilton, Owen Drug Store, H. O. Jones, J. V. Dinwiddie, J. W. Copeland, Harry Roberts, Guy T. McDonald, J. E. Unsell, Allen Brothers, O. W. Jolly, Star Bakery, Spill Brothers, V. R. Allen, Bryan Barber Shop, C. E. Jordan, Dr. E. R. T. Hardsgree, People's Garage, C. Middleton, E. Buchwald, Herbert W. Miller, Winters Auto Co., J. A. Glasscock, J. W. Babb, J. M. Skaggs, W. A. Jennings, J. R. Cook, O. D. Dillingham, Dry Brothers, Winters Meat Market, L. C. Newton.

SHARP WINS PRIZE ON SHOW WINDOW

Advertising manager Roy Sharp of Higginbotham Brothers & Co., today received a check and letter from The H. D. Lee Mercantile Co. of Kansas City, Mo., advising him that he won one of the prizes offered in their National campaign for attractive window displays.

The window in question was a very patriotic window, being decorated with Uncle Sam cut-outs, flags and bunting, with the Lee "Union-alls" the main piece of resistance. This is but one more prize won by Mr. Sharp for window displays and newspaper advertisements.

STATE WINS CASE.

Austin, April 11.—The case of the Abilene & Southern Railway Company et al. against the State of Texas was affirmed today by the Third court of civil appeals.

In this case the state sued about thirty of the smaller lines that did not participate in the suit of the other railroads, for an injunction to restrain these small lines from operating under advanced rates and to compel them to use the Texas railroad commission's rates on strictly state business. The state won in today's case.

San Saba County Boys Join The Colors.

San Saba, Tex., April 12.—Twelve San Saba county boys have enlisted in the army to date, and it is expected that at least twenty-five more will join.

A move is being started to organize a Red Cross circle among the young ladies of the town.

Negro Janitor for Mint Had a Clever Moneymaking Idea.

San Francisco, April 11.—When ever Charles E. Butler, negro night janitor at the United States mint here needed a little extra change he would go into the money press room, federal detectives said today, put a little silver into the mold and make himself a nice new half dollar. Butler was arrested by a secret service operative who had been detailed to find out who had been tampering with the machinery of the press. Butler's plan, according to the federal authorities was to strike off enough coin to last him through the day. The small quantity of silver he took was not missed and he made money, the officers said every night. He had been in the government service for twenty-three years.

Abilene Loyalty meeting Today.

Abilene, Tex., April 12.—Abilene's patriotic parade is being held today, and more than 1,000 taking part. The Simmons college guards have organized to march, and "Old Glory" was unfurled from a sixty-foot flag pole newly erected in the park.

Abilene claims that her naval enlistments stand second in the state.

The Quinine That Does Not Affect The Head because of its tonic and laxative effect. LAXATIVE PROMO 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, 25c.

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says Mrs. Sylvania Woods, of Clifton Mills, Ky., in writing of her experience with Cardui, the woman's tonic. She says further: "Before I began to use Cardui, my back and head would hurt so bad, I thought the pain would kill me. I was hardly able to do any of my housework. After taking three bottles of Cardui, I began to feel like a new woman. I soon gained 25 pounds, and now, I do all my housework, as well as run a big water mill.

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Nominated for Asst. Attorney General.

Washington, April 12.—President Wilson has nominated Williams Fitts, of Birmingham, Ala., for appointment as assistant attorney general.

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The Keystone

THE first consideration of a depositor is safety for his funds, and that is assured at this bank by strength of resources and directorate, sound banking policy and conservative practice.

There are other important considerations, for example the quality of the service rendered; and this bank's aim is to render the most efficient service possible to all customers. An incident of this service is the privilege of all clients to confer freely with the officers on matters of vital interest to their success.

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E. L. LONG'S MOTHER DIES

(Sweetwater Reporter)

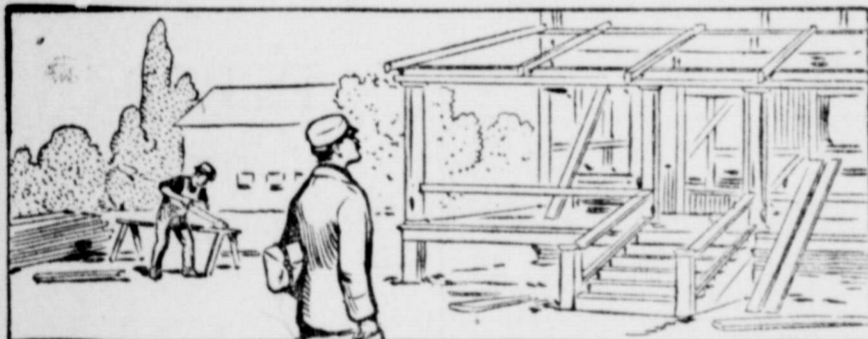
At the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. S. Taylor, in west part of the city Mrs. M. E. Long passed away at 1 o'clock this afternoon at the age of 76 after an illness of ten days.

On last Monday week she fell and sustained a bruise on the head

from which erysipelas set up a few days ago that rendered her being unconscious since last Sunday.

She is survived by her daughter Mrs. W. S. Taylor and son, E. L. Long of Ballinger.

Plants, Plants—tomato and pepper plants now ready for transplanting. Jeanes Produce Co. 6-d&w-tf



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