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### SHERIFF OF BELL COUNTY WILL BRING ELMS HERE

The Ledger published last Saturday an account of the burning to death of Mrs. J. T. Elms, which was supposed to have occurred at midnight Friday when the Elms home near Wilmett was destroyed by fire. The account of the tragedy is fresh in the minds of the readers of this paper. As told by Elms, his wife was caught in the burning building and lost her life, he leaving the house thinking that Mrs. Elms had gone out ahead of him while he was telephoning to neighbors. Mr. Elms told those who soon arrived on the scene that the house was nearly burned down when they awoke. According to those who arrived on the scene in a few minutes after Elms had telephoned them, Elms had to be restrained to keep him from plunging into the burning house to rescue his wife, and neighbors held him to keep him from going in the fire. The remains were shipped to Killeen Saturday afternoon, Rev. Gates, who went down to conduct the funeral and a number of neighbors, accompanied Mr. Elms.

Sunday afternoon Sheriff Perkins received a phone message from Sheriff Hugh Smith of Bell county, saying that Elms was under arrest and to come and get him. Mr. Perkins arranged with the Bell county officer to bring Elms back to Ballinger, and Sheriff Smith was due here with Elms at noon Monday, but for some cause missed his train and phoned Mr. Perkins that he would come on the next train, arriving at Ballinger Monday night.

D. L. Tucker, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hudson, neighbors of Elms, and who accompanied Mr. Elms and the remains of Mrs. Elms to Killeen Saturday afternoon, returned to Ballinger Monday at noon. John Ballew and another neighbor or two, who also went to Killeen with the funeral party, remained at Belton with Elms and will return to Ballinger when the officer brings Elms here.

John and Dock Hall, brothers of Mrs. Elms and J. R. Smith a Killeen man, arrived at noon Monday to assist in making an investigation and to be present at the examining trial. District Attorney Early arrived here in his auto

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### HAWKING FILES HIS RESIGNATION

Representative Wallace Hawkins was here from Winters Sunday night attending the union rally on the court house lawn. Mr. Hawkins stated that his resignation would be filed in Austin today, and that he would hand back to the people the office given him at the last election, doing so in order that he might serve his country in a capacity in which he felt that he was needed at this time.

Representative Hawkins has received his commission as first lieutenant in the United States army, and with the filing of his resignation his pay as a commissioned officer in the army begins. He will leave Wednesday for Columbus, N. M., to which place he has been assigned.

Mr. Hawkins has served this district in a most faithful manner, voting upon all questions that came before the legislature as he saw them for the best interest of the people he represented. He voted in favor of the Ferguson impeachment, after hearing every word of the evidence introduced before the house in the investigation. He stated that he could not do otherwise and do what he felt was his duty in the matter, although he regretted that Texas had to suffer the disgrace that has been brought upon the state.

This leaves Runnels and Coke counties without a representative, and Mr. Hawkins thinks that the people should get busy and elect a man to succeed him. He would no doubt have been returned to the legislature had he not enlisted in the army, and he carries with him the best wishes of a great majority of the best people in the two counties he so faithfully represented.

J. O. Briggs and wife of Winters passed through Ballinger Saturday going to Santa Anna.

Mrs. H. T. Hall of Stephenville, who had been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Morris of this city, left Saturday for her home.

### FRENCH ARE MAKING A FIRM STAND

PARIS, Aug. 27.—Germans continued counter attacks of a more violent character was reported from different points today. The French report that the attacks failed. The Germans attempted to make the French relinquish ground recently gained around Verdun. The French held their own in the face of the desperate attacks.

### HAVE PROOF GERMANY'S WAR PLANS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 27.—The state department announced this afternoon that evidence which made American government believe that Germany had planned war on the United States after defeating France and England, is in the hands of the administration. This evidence is said to be conclusive and it was upon this evidence that the American government began to plan for a defense by sending troops to Europe and checking the German army before the German government got charge of the British fleet.

### 3000 People Gather On Court House Lawn to Hear Speakers Discuss Our "Home Task"

A crowd variously estimated at from 2500 to 4000 assembled on the court house lawn in Ballinger Sunday night and occupied seats in autos parked around the square. The large crowd began to gather before sundown, many people coming here from the country, Winters being well represented.

Promptly at eight o'clock County Judge Parish called the audience to order and singers were invited to the speakers stand. The services began with the singing of "How Firm A Foundation," and "Onward Christian Soldier." Rev. J. W. Bost offered the prayer, and Rev. J. H. King read the 27th Psalm.

"Our Home Task," was the general subject announced for discussion by the various speakers on this occasion, and Judge Parish introduced Scott H. Mack who opened the discussion and introduced Dr. J. D. Sandefer, of Abilene, who was the principal speaker of evening.

Dr. Sandefer spoke for about forty-five minutes, and called to the minds of his hearers the task that confronted them and named numerous ways in which this task could be performed. Dr. Sandefer emphasized the great fact that the American people must stand united, and there was a task for every one to perform. He pointed out that the American nation had become involved in the war after the president had tried to prevent it and did not declare war until it became necessary to save this country from the rule and ruin of Prussianism and the oppressive hand of the kaiser. The speaker told of German cruelty to helpless Belgian women and children, and the danger of the complete overthrow of France and England and after the falling of the American nation in the step were not taken to check the Prussians in their fight for autocratic supremacy.

In dealing with home task prob-

### Ferguson Refunding Money to the State Treasurer

#### MORE NEGRO TROOPS FOR HOUSTON

HOUSTON, Aug. 27.—Word was received here today from Washington that more negro troops were en route here to take the place of the negroes who were transferred to Columbus, N. M., following the riot of last week. Major General Bell declared today that he had received notice that the Eighth Illinois Infantry, all negroes, were being sent to Houston. There is much feeling here against the negro troops as the results of the riot last week which resulted in the killing of 17 people and the wounding of 22 others. The administration has been appealed to to not send negroes here, and the citizens have gone so far as to say that if doing away with the training camp recently located at Houston was necessary to keep the negro troops away, they wanted the camp moved.

Miss Ono Hartman left Saturday for Brownwood, to visit for a few days.

#### FERGUSON PARDONS RUNNELS CONVICT

Before retiring from office pending the impeachment trial, Gov. Jas. E. Ferguson, issued many pardons to his friends in the pen. Among the number of convicts set at liberty was H. D. Broyles, sentenced from this county at the last term of court, and who had only served a few months of a term totaling eleven years.

Broyles plead guilty to forgery at the last term of court on a charge of forgery, and other charges were dismissed. He purchased goods from a number of merchants here and in the purchase was a load of lumber. He paid for the goods with bad checks. He was arrested while committing the same crime at Stephenville, and when called before the court of Erath county he plead guilty, and was sentenced to the pen for two years each in two cases. After trial at Ballinger he was carried to other places and tried for forgery, and received sentences from Mills, Runnels and Lampasas counties.

Broyles was at one time a school teacher in Coke county. He claimed that he failed to get a school, that his family was in need and he forged the checks to get the necessities of life for them, plying his scheme in the various counties mentioned above. He offered no other defense and only plead for the mercy of the courts in which he was tried. He received the mercy of the court, as other cases were dismissed against him after he plead guilty to the one case in each county, but it remained for Gov. Ferguson to extend the merciful hand that the man was really pleading for.

Mrs. Stella Rogers, and daughter, Rosalie, passed through Ballinger Saturday going to Edna, where they are moving from Winters.

Mrs. O. R. Griswold returned Saturday from San Angelo, where she had been demonstrating foods made from mesquite beans.

Miss Thelma Kelley of Santa Anna and Miss Alida Warren of Cleburne are visiting Miss Juliett B. Miller here for awhile.

#### HOW WE HEAR IN TOWN AND COUNTRY

WASHINGTON, Aug. 27.—That the country youth is not able to hear so well as his city brother, and that only about one in five of the former possess the auricular acuteness of the city-bred lad is the opinion of officers at the head of Marine Corps recruiting in this city. Their deductions are based on the number of country boys rejected for poor hearing.

Many persons believe that the continual jarring noises of the city have a tendency to dull the sensitiveness of the nerve centers. However, this is not borne out by the figures of the Marine corps officers, who believe that the quiet life of the country, free from noises, has a tendency to weaken, through disuse, the responsive nerves in the ear.

Scientists point to innumerable parallels in nature where the disuse of an organ gradually reduces its functioning power or eliminates it altogether. The blind fishes in the dark pools of Mammoth cave are a notable example.

AUSTIN, Tex., Aug. 27.—Gov. Ferguson deposited in the state treasury today \$2,403.55, which one of the articles of impeachment alleges he used unlawfully for the purchase of groceries and supplies for the executive mansion. Mr. Ferguson also placed in the treasury \$3,116.04 which is another one of the impeachment articles alleges that he had diverted from the adjutant general's fund illegally. In refunding the money charged up to Mr. Ferguson in the indictments Mr. Ferguson's friends holds that he has made good his promise to the legislature made during the first investigation, in which he said that if the court ruled that he illegally expended the money he would refund it.

#### HOUSE LACKS QUORUM

Austin, Texas, Aug. 27.—A quorum was not present in the legislature was lacking this morning and the house went under call and sergeant at arms instructed to bring in the absentees. Speaker Fuller stated that eight members, including the members who had joined the army, had vacated their seats in the legislature and were still being carried on the rolls. He held that until the house took official cognizance of vacancies ninety-five members were necessary to constitute a quorum. It is expected that the resignation of the members who have joined the army will be acted upon and the offices declared vacant.

#### DID OUR JOE WARD DO THE KILLING?

GIDDINGS, Aug. 27.—A. J. Lehman was shot and instantly killed by Joe Ward Saturday morning. The shooting took place in front of the Lehman saddlery shop, two doors west of the Citizens National bank. Three shots were fired. Lehman is said to have been unarmed.

Lehman has resided here several years. He, with his brother Henry, had been engaged in the mercantile business here the past ten or twelve years.

Ward is the son-in-law of the late A. H. Falke, who has resided here the past year, having formerly lived at Stamford and in other parts of West Texas.

Lehman was a single man.

It is not known in Ballinger whether the Joe Ward referred to in the above is the man who had charge of the local band here for a couple of years or not. Mr. Ward moved to Giddings first of this year. He formerly lived at Stamford, moving from that place to Ballinger. His father-in-law died at Giddings last fall, just a short time before Mr. Ward moved from here to that place and putting all these things together friends here are of the opinion that it is our Joe Ward.

Mr. Ward was popular with the people here, and was of a quiet disposition, and not a man calculated to get into such serious trouble.

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TASK MADE EASY WHEN PEOPLE PULL TOGETHER.

The people of this nation must stand together, work in unity in performing the task brought upon them by the war. This one thought is being emphasized throughout the nation. Slackers, traitors, knockers and drones of every character are being placed in a class to themselves, and an appeal is going up for community co-operation, and a pull all together in carrying out the war plans and in performing the part every man and woman has been called upon to perform.

For some time, we regret to say, the spirit of co-operation so necessary for the success of social, church and economic work has been flowing at a low ebb in Ballinger. The meeting held Sunday night was the first of the kind held in this city in quite awhile, and it has paved the way for a work that is badly needed here.

There is much to do in this time war, not only in conserving our resources and aiding in the war, but developing our country, and making for better living at home. This can be done by united effort, but it can never be done by the individual effort of a few leaders.

We are suspicious beings. "We draw on our imagination in a way that builds up a prejudice against our fellowmen which is false, and which can never be removed so long as we drift apart. What is to the interest of one man in Ballinger is to the interest of all. What is to the interest of one line of business in Ballinger is to the interest of all. What is to the interest of one church in Ballinger is to the interest of all—we are all working for the same end, and that is to better our condition morally intellectually and financially. As one prospers all will prosper; as one suffers all will suffer.

It is up to the business men of

this city to work out some plan for closer relationship and uniting forces for the things that are necessary for the development of this city and county. It is up to the pastors of this city to work out a program that will bring the people of the city together in working for the uplift of mankind. The man who declines to join in such work because he can't be the "bell cow" every time, should have no place in the hearts of the people who crave success. There is honor enough to go all around, and the man who brings up his part of the work, regardless of where he is placed on the program, is the man who will get the glory, and win the love of the people.

No city in Texas offers more advantages for holding just such a meeting as the one held Sunday evening on the court house lawn. We were impressed with the great number of country people who attended this meeting. It was the first, but should not be the last of such meetings. Through the summer months great and lasting good could be accomplished by holding meetings of this character at least once a month, the program being arranged with a view of giving the laymen something to do. Such plan would bring the people closer together, we would soon find our "Task at Home" much easier to perform.

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Miss Eleanor Hamilton left Saturday for Cameron, Granger, and other points, where she will visit for a while.

Summer Complaint.

During the hot weather of the almost every family is likely to be troubled with an unnatural looseness of the bowels, and it is of the greatest importance that this be treated promptly, which can only be done when the medicine is kept at hand. Mrs. F. F. Scott, Scottsville, N. Y., states, "I first used Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy as much as five years ago. At that time I had a severe attack of summer complaint and was suffering intense pain. One dose relieved me. Other members of my family have since used it with like results."

Mrs. S. J. Strom of Dallas passed through Ballinger Saturday going from Bradshaw to Brownwood.

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TEXAS SLOW TO REALIZE WAR TO DEATH HAS COME.

"Texas people are mighty slow in realizing that the country is warring for its life," said Judge Alvin C. Owsley of Denton Wednesday. Judge Owsley, a member of the Texas Council of defense, was in Houston en route home from the Galveston convention of the defense board.

"You hear people say this is an unpopular war," Judge Owsley continued. "That is not true. It is merely propaganda by an interested few. The truth simply is that Texas—and other states of the Union, for that matter—has lived at peace for so long that her people are steeped in a dream of fancied security. They are slow to believe ill of anyone. It is hard to make these bluff, honest and peaceable people realize that the emperor of Germany has long had his envious eyes on this rich country, and that Prussian autoeracy burned to chastise America for incidents in the past every student of history knows too well.

"The awakening is slow, but it is coming, and when it fully arrives it will be like the silent but resistless riter. We are in this war because we had to be. Human patience could stand no more. Germany deliberately affronted us, and Germany will pay the price for her arrogance. Sooner

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Advance notices of "The War of Nations," to be shown at the State Fair of Texas, Oct 13 to 28, proclaim this the greatest pyrotechnical display ever created and one which may establish a standard for years to come. "Many thousands of dollars have been spent in building the settings for this gigantic fireworks display," R. E. L. Knight, president of the State Fair, said. "Patrons of the 1917 fair will witness a spectacle as beautiful as it is extraordinary."  
"No thought is more uppermost in the minds of the American people today than the terrible struggle across the sea, and the entrance of the United States into the conflict brings us to a realization that our sons and loved ones may soon be in the very thick of the fighting. With this in mind the creators of "The War of Nations" has tried to bring to us in America a portrayal of the spectacular side of the combat."  
"By the immense crowds which attended last year it was clearly demonstrated that patrons of the fair are highly in favor of high-class fireworks. Recognizing this, we adopted the time-honored principle of the fair management of looking only for the best to be procured and in "The War of Nations" it is our judgment that we have selected the greatest display of the kind that has ever been offered."  
"Interest in Encampments."  
In addition to the nightly display of fireworks, a program of events has been arranged to be given before the grand stand each afternoon and night during the fair. Feature acts from some of the largest theatres of the world and circus numbers that have pleased millions of people have been procured to make up a program of two hours.  
The encampments for farm boys and girls are attracting much attention from rural districts and are expected by those in charge to prove big drawing cards for the 1917 exposition. Five hundred boys and 250 girls will be guests of the State Fair, and, in addition to receiving invaluable educational service, will be awarded prizes of material worth.

The offer of free exhibit space and increases in prizes to be awarded are expected to bring to the 1917 fair the largest number of county exhibits yet listed. Correspondence already on file with Secretary W. H. Stratton indicates that a number of counties which have never yet shown their products will be represented this year.

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Mrs. C. R. Goldman and baby came in from Dallas Monday and are the guests of Mrs. Goldman's mother, Mrs. Beckwith and sister, Miss Isabell. Mrs. Goldman was formerly Miss Wilma Beckwith and taught in the Ballinger schools.

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Miss Ocie Brown of Coleman passed through Ballinger Saturday returning home.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 27.—America's first mobilization of her citizen manhood for war will begin within ten days.

War department officials today detailed at length each step of the vast process, which will bring 687,000 men to the colors before it is complete.

The first move will be made early this week. Each of the approximately 4500 local boards will notify 5 per cent of their quota to present themselves on Monday, Sept. 3, or Tuesday, Sept. 4, for military service.

The men thus called will be selected from among their quota called in the first draft because of their special qualifications thru previous military service or their ability to cook.

In accordance with instructions, they will present themselves at the office of the local board for their district. There they will be given instructions when and where to appear for entrainment to the mobilization camp to which men from their locality are assigned.

In addition they will be handed railroad tickets and meal tickets. They will travel in day coaches, as the mobilization camps are so located that there will be few long hauls except in the west and southwest.

The next movement of drafted men will come on Sept. 19 when 40 per cent of each district's quota will be called out. The third call will be for 40 per cent and will come on Oct. 3. The fourth call taking the remaining fifteen per cent will come at a date yet to be announced, but probably fifteen days after the third call.

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A SCENE FROM "THE BEAUTIFUL LIE" SHOWING FRANCES NELSON AND SALLY CRUTE. Here is a scene from "The Beautiful Lie," Metro wonderplay, in which Frances Nelson is starred. In it, Miss Nelson is shown thrown into prison, by a frameup, and made associate with a hardened criminal. The play is from the original Ella Wheeler Wilcox poem, "A Reverie in a Station House," and adapted for the screen by June Mathis. A notable cast supports Miss Nelson in this production.

**HOW TO SEND MAIL TO SOLDIERS ABROAD**

Washington, D. C. — Persons sending letters or cablegrams to American soldiers in France are cautioned in a war department announcement to include in the address only the name of soldier, his company, regiment or other unit, and the words "American Expeditionary Force."

The location of the unit should not be mentioned, even if it be known.

The envelope should bear the name and address of the sender. Mail addressed in care of the adjutant general of the army, Washington, will be forwarded only when the writer does not know that the addressee has actually embarked.

Similar rules prevail for communications from members of the expeditionary force to friends or relatives in the United States. Troop locations or movements must not be mentioned.

Money may be transmitted thru postal orders, but arrangements have not yet been completed for parcel post service to the expeditionary force.

Private telegrams to the soldiers should be addressed "Amexforce, London," with addressee's name and unit appearing as the first words to the text.

To comply with the European censorship regulations, all messages must be written in plain language (English or French or in international code, and must be intelligible to the censors. The use of two codes or two languages or of combinations of code and plain language in the same message is forbidden. Telegrams without text or with but one plain language text word are not admitted. Every telegram message must be signed. The surname alone may be used but such a signature as "John," "Mary," or "mother" will not be passed. The war department expects to detail

an officer especially to care for army mail matters.

Editor's note—Better cut this out and keep it for future reference.

**JUST FOR ARGUMENT SAKE.**

Ablene is pleased to have the announcement that the Hamby pike has been completed. In a few months Shackelford county will connect her good roads with Taylor county road and "life will be one sweet song" traveling from Ablene to Albany and on to Fort Worth. Let the good work continue—Ablene Reporter.

The county that fails to connect up with the rest of the world by building good roads will find itself in the backwoods. The American people are riding on rubber today, and they are going to ride where the best roads lead them, and a county with bad roads will be known the nation over and travelers will go around it regardless of the distance necessary to do so.

Uncle Sam is going to bring the

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#### Sheriff of Bell County Will Bring Elms Here

Continued from Page One.

Monday afternoon and quite a number of witnesses have been summoned here from the Wilmett country, and it is expected that an examining trial will be held Tuesday.

Mrs. Elms was formerly a Miss Hall, a member of one of the most prominent and well known families of Bell county. She was married to Mr. Elms about twelve years ago, and they later moved to Runnels county.

Shortly after the arrival of the

remains and the funeral party at Killeen Sunday morning, the relatives of the dead woman became suspicious, and they made it known to Mr. Elms that they desired an investigation, and it is alleged that an autopsy revealed a fracture of the skull, though the examining physicians declined to say positively whether the fracture was due to a blow on the head or was caused from heat, and the body was held for further examination.

It became known shortly after the arrival of the remains at Killeen that there had been trouble between Elms and his wife, and the family of Mrs. Elms was aware of this, and took immediate steps

to have a thorough investigation of the tragedy made. As soon as the physicians announced that the woman's skull had been fractured, or as soon as the physicians made their report of what the examination revealed, Elms was placed under arrest and carried to Belton and placed in jail. Those who accompanied him to Killeen followed him to Belton and remained in that city to help the man out of trouble if possible.

Two brothers of Mrs. Elms and Attorney DeWitt Bower, of Bell county, left Temple shortly after Elms had been placed in jail and are in the Wilmett neighborhood making an investigation. Many citizens of the Wilmett country came to Ballinger Monday as soon as the news of the arrest of Elms had reached that neighborhood, and a number of them announced that they would remain here until Tuesday to attend the examining trial.

Jesse Elms is one of the most prominent men of the northwest part of the county. He came here ten years ago and purchased a farm, paying one dollar down and making notes for the remainder of the purchase price. As a farmer he succeeded and paid for his farm. Some time ago he engaged in the grocery business at Winters, was prospering and was never known to have been in trouble before.

When interrogated by a Ledger reporter today a number of citizens from the community where the tragedy occurred, and close friends of the Elms, declined to discuss the case, further than to indicate that they could not believe that Elms had murdered his wife. Yet it was admitted by several that there had been domestic trouble between Elms and his wife some time ago.

The arrest of Elms has created considerable excitement here and throughout the northwest part of the county where the man is so well known. Little groups of men congregated on the streets throughout the day and discussed the case in an attempt to learn upon what grounds the complaint against Elms had been filed, and what evidence the authorities had secured against him.



#### PROMOTED TO COLONEL IN U. S. ARMY.

Dr. E. R. Walker received a letter from his brother, Col. Kenzie Walker, Monday. Col. Walker stated that he had just received promotion to the rank of Colonel in the army and had been transferred from Washington to some point in Ohio. Col. Walker was stationed at Fort Sam Houston at one time, and visited his brother here. He has advanced rapidly and has friends here who will be glad to know of his promotion.

#### RETURNS FROM COOL COLORADO.

C. A. Doose is at home from a trip through Oklahoma, Kansas and a three weeks stay in Colorado. Mr. Doose spent most of the time set aside for his vacation in Colorado Springs and other cities in the Rocky Mountains. He reports having met Henry Wilke and his wife in Colorado and says that they were getting along nicely. Mr. Wilke has a responsible position with a prominent firm at Lamar, Colorado.

"I found parts of Oklahoma and Kansas just as dry as this country," said Mr. Doose, "as I was going to Colorado, but on my return trip the country through which I traveled had received good rains and the crops conditions were greatly revived and there will be considerable fall feed crops made in the country that was dry during the spring and early summer."

Mr. Doose says that the men with money to loan have not lost confidence in this country on account of the drought that prevails, but that he has more money to loan and on better contracts than ever before. While away on the trip Mr. Doose conferred with loan firms at Kansas City, loan companies that he has been representing here for number of years.

Mr. Doose talks enthusiastically about the possibilities of irrigation in this country. He visited the irrigated districts in Colorado where land is irrigated by gravitation from the melted snow waters flowing off the mountains, and he says that by building dams and conserving the flood waters in the creeks and river of Runnels county the farmers could produce more off of one acre than they are producing off twenty-five dry land farming acres on an average, taking the years as they come, wet and dry periods. Mr. Doose's statement along this line is verified by the farmers who are making big crops in this country this year under irrigation. We need more dams and ditches.

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#### MOBILIZATION HOLIDAY.

(San Antonio Express.)

Uncle Sam is reported to be desirous that Wednesday, Sept. 5th, the day set apart for the mobilization of the men now being accepted for military service, shall be made a public holiday in every city and town from which the start shall be made to the training camp.

Provost Marshal General Crowder is quoted as saying that Federal Government is extremely desirous that the men who are going away shall be honored in their various communities as soldiers were never honored before, and that they be given a glorious send-off.

Every loyal community and every loyal citizen should reel the same way about it. Some of the never return; some of the others will come back loaded with honors and all will win the credit of service, whatever their fate in the hazards of war. They will go away with our heartiest sympathy and best wishes and with our highest admiration and they will be our constant thought and concern while they are protecting the honor and glory of their country, in the trenches, in the air or on the sea.

It is fitting that there should be something more than a cold and matter of fact recognition of the mobilization where the training camps are located and something more than a formal good-bye when the men are leaving home, whether for direct service abroad or for preliminary service only a short distance from home. In either case, whether it is welcome and good-bye or parting that is sweet sorrow, there should be some show of affection and enthusiasm.

On the momentous day that sees the mobilization of the men being accepted for military service, the Stars and Stripes should be everywhere in evidence, whether owned by the municipality, firms or corporations; every brass band should be pressed into service to furnish music for the occasion and the boys in khaki would then have a picture impressed on memory that time would not efface. It is not all sufficient that we deeply feel the admiration which noble service inspires; there should be some outward manifestation of it, is the government's idea, according to General Crowder.

It will be easy enough to work out a plan, if we take hold of it, for it is not to be doubted that the idea will appeal to all loyal citizens.

#### BALLINGER BOY ON HIS WAY TO FRANCE

Lieut. Ewing Taylor left Ballinger Saturday afternoon for Hoboken, N. Y., and will sail from that place on Aug. 29th for some place in France, where it is expected that he will join Gen. Pershing's army. Ewing leaves behind a host of friends who wish him success in France and a safe return to Ballinger. He is a graduate of the Ballinger high school, is a christian gentleman, and possesses every character necessary for the making of a most successful army officer. He is the first Ballinger boy to go direct from here to France since the break with Germany and the United States was announced.

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#### SENATOR SMITH IS THE MAN

The Ledger stated Saturday that Senator Henderson would succeed W. P. Hobby as lieutenant governor of Texas, when we should have said Senator Smith, of Henderson county, was the man on the job. We just got the name of the county and the name of the man confused.

Senator Smith resides only a short distance from the place of his birth, March 13, 1869. Senator Smith taught school fourteen years, advancing rapidly from teacher up in the small country schools to the principalship of the high school in his home town and later as superintendent. He now is secretary of the Henderson School Board. He is prominent in church and fraternal relations, being chairman of the board of deacons of the First Baptist Church in his home city. He belongs to almost all the leading fraternal insurance societies, being a member of the law committee and transportation committee of the Texas Fraternal Congress and an honorary member of the Dallas Fraternal League.

Senator Smith held the office of County Court Clerk for three years, retiring voluntarily from this office. For the last four years he has been engaged in the real estate business. He is serving his first term in the State Senate. He is married, having married Miss Kate Montgomery, June 6, 1896, and has a most interesting family of six girls and four boys.

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