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Court Holds Preachers Home Is Not Taxable

The district court of Runnels county on Thursday morning tried the case of the State of Texas vs. the Catholic Parsonage, wherein the State sought to collect a State and county tax from the trustees of the said Catholic parsonage as heard and determined.

District Judge J. O. Woodward ruled that the said parsonage was not taxable and it is believed and contended by Judge M. C. Smith who represented the Trustees of suit, that this ruling and judgment will settle the question of taxation of all the parsonages in the city and county.

Judge Smith contended in his argument of the law and facts in this case that under the Constitution and laws of Texas that building used as a parsonage by the minister as a place to further the work of the church owning same, is not taxable, whether situated adjacent to the Church or a block away from same. The use to which the building is put determines the right to be taxed.

The opinion rendered by the Attorney General in January 1917 seems to hold, that where a parsonage is used in some manner for Church worship, such as a "study" will render same not taxable.

Where parsonages were rendered for taxes for this year, the various boards will appear before the proper authority, and have same stricken from said rolls so that they will not appear delinquent and thus necessitate a suit on same.

This opinion, it is believed, will settle the question in this county relative to taxing parsonages, and hereafter tax assessors will not place on the rolls parsonages.

Following is the decree entered by Judge J. O. Woodward Thursday morning:

"Now on this 18th day of October, A. D. 1917, came on to be heard

the above entitled cause and the plaintiff and defendant, appeared in person, and by their attorneys of record, respectfully, and announced ready for trial, and a jury being waived, all matters of fact as well as of law were submitted to the court, who, after hearing the evidence and argument of counsel, is of the opinion that the law and the facts are with the defendant.

"It further appearing to the court that this is suit brought by the State of Texas against defendants, Trustees of the Catholic Church property of Ballinger, Texas, for taxes alleged to be due the plaintiff, arising on the assessment of taxes as against a certain building, alleged to be a Catholic parsonage.

"It is shown by the evidence that the said Catholic church property consists of a certain parcel or block of ground upon which are situated two certain buildings, and that some character of church service, from time to time, is held in each of said buildings, the one in connection with the other, the one in question, and sought to be taxed, being used as a "study," and for such other purposes incident to church service, though occupied at the same time by the priest, the court is, therefore, of the opinion that under article 8, section 2, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, and under the laws of the State, that the property in question is exempt from taxation.

"The court is of the further opinion that an imaginary line traversing a parcel of ground, separating such buildings, the one from the other, would not have the legal effect to render either of such buildings subject to taxation, where both are used in furtherance of some character of

Americans Volunteering With Cash to Win War

Washington, D. C., Oct. 18.—The treasury department reports today that the second Liberty Bond campaign is at last hitting satisfactory stride and is bringing success in sight. Up to date the treasury department reports that

about one-half of the three billion dollars minimum quota has been subscribed. If American money does its duty the entire amount will be subscribed and properly distributed throughout the nation by the last day of the sale, Oct. 27th.

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church service and religious worship.

"It is, therefore, adjudged, and decreed by the court that the plaintiff, the State of Texas, take nothing by said suit."

RUSSIANS ANNOUNCE LOSS OF ONE SHIP

Petrograd, Oct. 18.—The navy department announced officially today that the Russian battleship Slava was sunk in the battle of the gulf of Riga. Before sinking the battleship did effective work in helping to sink a half dozen German vessels.

U-BOAT WORKMEN THREATEN STRIKE

New York, Oct. 18.—600 employees working in the Submarine Boat Corporation plant, threatened to strike today. The workmen are demanding that their union be recognized, and will strike unless demands are granted.

ANOTHER ECHO FROM TEUTON HEADQUARTERS

Amsterdam, Oct. 18.—Prince von Buelow, former Chancellor and late ambassador to Italy from Germany, arrived in Berlin today, according to telegraphic reports received here. The visit to Berlin has caused a revival of the report that von Buelow is to succeed Chancellor Michaelis.

MAKES SHORT CROP BUT GET LONG PRICE

L. M. Bales of the Hatchel county, was here Thursday. Mr. Bales is not bragging about his crop, but the price received for the small makings causes him to feel somewhat encouraged and hope for better crops next year.

Mr. Bales stated to a Ledger reporter that he will receive thirteen bales of cotton off of about seventy acres of dry land, and part of the seventy acres made very little on account of a poor stand. He had ninety acres in cotton, but only about seventy acres was worth picking over.

While the yield is small the price is good. Mr. Bales sold three bales of this cotton Wednesday delivered it to the railroad at Hatchel where he received 27 cents per pound, making the three bales of cotton bring him \$441.45. The seed from the three bales, at present prices, would bring about \$100, making the total for the three bales and seed amount to nearly \$550. Not so bad for a dry year.

WEATHER FORECAST
Tonight, generally fair, much colder, freezing. Friday, fair.

Misses Pauline Kerley and Edna Walver of Hatchel arrived in Ballinger Thursday on a visit to Mrs. D. P. Holliday.

INDIANA MINERS ONE 1 DAY STRIKE

Terrehaute, Oct. 18.—It was announced today that the miners in southern Indiana would be settled. According to the announcement 7000 miners who quit the coal mines yesterday would return to work, after a one day strike.

COTTON GINNINGS MAKE BAD SHOWING

The cotton ginner's report, including ginnings up to Sept. 25th, and made public by the Bureau of Census, Department of Commerce, makes a bad showing for the county of Runnels and neighboring counties. The crop is a complete failure in quite a number of Texas counties, no report being made for the present season, while last year the crop was good. Following shows the ginning for the year of 1916 and 1917 up to Sept. 25th of each year:

County	1916	1917
Brown	5,805	2,336
Coke	2,582	483
Coleman	15,039	7,032
Comanche	2,815	1,204
Conecho	5,509	509
Jones	11,412	1,306
McCulloch	9,245	1,612
Nolan	4,059	20
Runnels	13,805	2,683
Tom Green	1,314	

MOVING FROM BALLINGER.

J. T. Morgan left Wednesday for Seadrift, taking his household goods. His family will follow him in a short while, and they will make their home in Seadrift for the future.

Misses Lula McElroy, Mildred Herring, Mary Poehack and A. J. Williams and wife left Thursday Morning for Fort Worth on a visit to the soldier boys.

STATE OFFICIALS OF F. AND L. P. A. CONVICTED

Abilene, Oct. 18.—Three of the forty men charged with conspiracy against the American government, and who have been on trial found guilty today, and sentence will be passed on the men before federal court adjourns this afternoon. The men convicted are all officers of the Farmers and Laborers Protective Association and are State Organizer Bryant, State President Risley and State Secretary Powell.

The men were charged with conspiracy against the government, and the charges among other things alleged that the men were conspiring to defeat conscription, and through an organized effort had bought guns and armed themselves for the purpose of shooting draft officers. The case went to trial more than a month ago in federal court at Abilene, and fifty men were arraigned for trial. Cases against eight of the men were dismissed, and the remaining number were held for trial.

The arrest of these men and the subsequent investigation and returning of indictments by the grand jury created quite a sensation over the entire southwest, as the operation of the F. & L. P. A. covered practically all of Texas and parts of Oklahoma. Evidence brought out in the trial of the case was to the effect that secret meetings had been held and plans

formulated for resisting the selective draft law, and threats had been made to organize an army, assassinate the president and take charge of the government.

STOCK YARD FIRE INCENDIARY ORIGIN

Kansas City, Oct. 18.—The fact that the fire which destroyed the Kansas City Stock Yards broke out within a few hours after the guards had been removed, coupled with other circumstances, lead the authorities to conclude that the fire was of incendiary origin. Members of the Second Missouri Regiment of home guards had been guarding the stock yards but were taken away the day before the fire.

The latest estimate on the number of cattle burned to death is given at 10,000 and 3000 hogs. The cattle are valued at \$100 per head, and the hogs at \$25 per head. The loss on the stock yards is estimated at \$180,000. The insurance companies suffered heavy in the burn.

J. F. McCarty of Floydada, returned home Wednesday, after visiting T. J. Bishop here for a while.

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WHY GERMANS SHOULD BE AMERICANS.

Brutus is credited with having said of his action in stabbing Julius Caesar, "not that I loved Caesar the less, but that I loved Rome more." He explained his action further by saying that as a friend he loved Caesar, but as he believed Caesar to be an enemy of the State, he slew him.

The true American of German descent does not love the German people less, but he loves America more.

The test of a man's greatness is his devotion to his duty. The judge who sentences a man to death does not look with pleasure and satisfaction upon the blanched face of the criminal. The thought of the culprit's wife and children, the seriousness of sending a man upon a journey thru the unknown affords no pleasant reflections. The action, too, is taken in cold blood, after mature reflection, it may be after sleepless nights. The judge does not swerve, however. Duty is clear.

The American of German origin, like the judge, has heard the evidence in America versus Germany. Evidence has been presented so convincing, so overwhelming of a great wrong perpetrated upon a long suffering people, that the decision must be made, the verdict passed, the sentence carried out—even though it be one of death to the accused.

The American of German descent is not to indulge in vulgar abuse of the race that gave him birth. It was reluctantly and regretfully that the American nation entered the war, and reluctantly and regretfully does the American of German descent take the same course.

The Great Teacher of humanity has told us that if our eyes offend us we should pluck it out; if our hand offend us we should cut it off. Figurative language, but most applicable to the present situation.

The loyalty to an adopted country is more binding than to the country of our birth. The latter condition of birth accidental, the

former a deliberately assumed duty.

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

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

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E. D. WALKER FOUR MINUTE SPEAKER. The committee announces that E. D. Walker will be on the firing line for the Four Minute men at the Queen Theatre tonight. Mr. Walker is enthusiastic in the Liberty Bond campaign and he will no doubt have something to say that will make every one want a Liberty Bond.

Croup. If your children are subject to croup get a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and when the attack comes on be careful to follow the plain printed direction. You will be surprised at the quick relief it affords.

Rev. J. H. King returned from Memphis, Tex., Wednesday, where he went to attend the synod of the Presbyterian church U. S. A. He reports a very successful meeting of the Texas Presbyterians and says that Memphis has the best churches of any town of its size he ever visited. Memphis is a town of 3000 population and has three \$35,000 church buildings. There are not quite as many different denominations in Memphis as there is in Ballinger.

Miss Baker of Abilene was in Ballinger Wednesday night to attend the Luckett-Rasbury nuptials.

J. C. West and wife of Hatchel were in Ballinger between trains Thursday.

If you have any printing why not let the home company do the work—we will appreciate the order. The Ballinger Printing

THIS COUNTY WILL AID IN WAR WORK

REPRESENTATIVES FROM EVERY COMMUNITY IN TEXAS WILL ATTEND CONFERENCE AT DALLAS OCT. 22

YMCA RAISING \$35,000,000

Big Men on Program—L. A. Coulter, State Campaign Manager, Will Appoint Executive Secretary For This County

This county, along with other counties in the state will be represented at a conference of the Texas War Work Council of the Young Men's Christian Association to be held in Dallas Oct. 22. The State is being organized to secure its share of the \$35,000,000 national Y. M. C. A. war work fund to be raised in the next month to continue the work among U. S. troops, both in America and in France, and among prisoners of war of other countries.

L. A. Coulter, state campaign director, Dallas, is arranging for an executive secretary for this county. Others who are interested in attending are asked to let him know.

Among the big men of the state who will be present for the conference are H. H. Simmons of Hillsboro, who will act as chairman; H. L. Kokerbot, L. L. Burge, Rhodes S. Baker, T. W. Currie, W. C. Paige, W. W. Woodson, E. R. Brown, W. S. Mosher, S. J. Briant and W. A. Scott.

Speaker Direct From War Front

G. Sherwood Eddy, world traveler, direct from the front, where he viewed the destruction of famous Meines Hill, who, next to John R. Mott has spoken to more men in more nations than any other living man, will be the chief speaker. He has been personally engaged in war work among the American troops in France and with the French, Russian and Italian soldiers along the battle front and will bring a vivid story of conditions existing there.

Big Men on Program

Some of the strongest men of the country will attend the meeting. L. A. Coulter, millionaire president of the Crossett Shoe Co., who is giving practically his full time to the Y. M. C. A. war work, and Cyrus H. McCormick of the Harvester Co., chairman of the budget committee, are two of the representative leaders who are giving their time and influence helping the "men who are to save the world for democracy."

On the program for the day's conference are the following: "Enlarged Program National War Work Council," G. Sherwood Eddy. Message from the chairman of the Southern Department, E. Roger Kemp, president of the Sinclair Oil Co. of Oklahoma.

"Enlisting the Boys of the Nation," F. M. Cheley. "American Students on the War Appeal," H. L. Heinzman. "Why Texas Must and Will Respond," Rhodes S. Baker. "Achieving the Seeming Impossible," George W. Truett. Report from County group meetings.

FOR WOMEN.

How does the war concern you? The mothers who have a boy who has gone to fight for his country, will not ask such a question. But if the war has not touched you yet, you may ask this question.

There are feelings that only mothers know, and only women understand. Think of the mothers who have given their eldest boy to their country. How do they feel today? How would you feel if you were in their place? They have parted with the little fellow that came first, and has always been a little ahead of the others in their love, because his was the first little tiny human form that lay against their breast; his were the first little hands that touched their hair. This other mother—the mother who has sent her boy to fight for YOUR protection, feels just the same way that you would about your boy.

She wants that boy back. Won't you help her bring him back? There are thousands of American mothers feeling badly today. Millions of French and English mothers, longing for their boys. Husbands too, have gone by the million to fight for their country and yours, for YOUR protection. Don't you sympathize with these women? Your husband is not perfect, sometimes you get "real mad" with him, but you don't want him killed by German brutes. Think, then, how these other wives feel—they want their husbands back. Won't you help them bring their men back? Yes, of course you would like to help them, "but how can I help?" you say.

Help end the war by buying a Liberty Bond. Save out of the house-keeping money for it, deny yourself something so you can buy it. Do more than this—see that your husband, your friends, your neighbors, buy a Liberty Bond. Show them this little "bit" in the paper, and say, "Let's all buy a Liberty Bond piece."

Overworked Women must learn not to neglect their health. How Women are Restored to Health. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Includes illustration of a woman and child.

Deserves to be Beaten Unless We Wake Up. Dallas, Oct. 17.—"Germany will beat us, and we will deserve to be beaten unless we wake up," said F. P. Clayton of New York, addressing six thousand people at a meeting today at Dallas.

What You Waste Will Buy A Liberty Bond. We all spend too much money on "unnecessaries." The country needs some of the money you spend on pleasure, which, though harmless, you CAN manage without.

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ENEMIES ATTACK RED CROSS SOCIETY

Mrs. C. K. Stephens, president of the Red Cross Chapter of Rannels county, is in receipt of a letter and also a copy of a telegram, calling attention to the attack being made on the Red Cross Society of America. Following is a portion of the letter and the copy of the telegram received by the local Chapter:

We are daily amazed at the disclosures of the United States Department of State showing the lengths to which Prussian intrigue, infamy and conspiracy has been conducted in this country to form public opinion favorable to our enemies. That same policy is still being insidiously cultivated throughout the entire country, in large places and small.

When you made application for, and accepted, the direction of Red Cross organization in your community, you undertook a solemn obligation to protect the interests of the Red Cross in every way. You, of course, are quite ready to fulfill that obligation. One way in which you can do so now is to be energetic in ferreting out every kind of a report or rumor which tends to assail the character, integrity or effectiveness of the work of the American Red Cross. If our enemies can shake the confidence of the American people in this, its most representative and democratic organization, they will have accomplished more than they could accomplish in many battles and much bloodshed at the front. I, therefore, commend to you most earnestly the careful study of a telegram today received from the general manager of the American Red Cross, Mr. Harvey D. Gibson, and request that you make every effort to give it publicity, and to have every person in your community understand that whenever there is suspicion or doubt on

lowed up as a patriotic duty, with out regard to 'hurting somebody's feelings' or any personal consideration.

The Red Cross is run as an open book; it has no secrets. It is making a sincere effort to serve mankind, and doing it as carefully and economically as it knows how, and under the direction and advice of the best business and expert experience obtainable throughout the country. Red Cross accounts are audited by the War Department, and utmost effort is being made to give all possible publicity to all its activities.

"Please see to it that these suggestions are made the subject of an earnest circular to every Red Cross organization in your territory, urging the utmost thoroughness in attention to this matter. Answer when you have done so."

Mrs. Smith Recommends Chamberlain's Tablets.

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

A. L. Kerley of Hatchel was a business visitor to Ballinger Thursday.

W. M. Ganske of Winters, was in Ballinger Thursday on business.

Economy is the War Cry. Our President tells us that we can do our "bit" in winning the war by practicing the most rigid economy. Dig up those old high top shoes, and take them to Wendorf for repairs and help carry our Great President's policy. We challenge comparison in the class of work we turn out.

LIVER DIDN'T ACT DIGESTION WAS BAD

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

Meadorsville, Ky.—Mrs. Cynthia Higginbotham, of this town, says: "At my age, which is 65, the liver does not act so well as when young. A few years ago, my stomach was all out of fix. I was constipated, my liver didn't act. My digestion was bad, and it took so little to upset me. My appetite was gone. I was very weak..."

I decided I would give Black-Draught a thorough trial as I knew it was highly recommended for this trouble. I began taking it. I felt better after a few doses. My appetite improved and I became stronger. My bowels acted naturally and the least trouble was soon righted with a few

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

MANY CITIZENS BUY BONDS.

Applications for Liberty Bonds are coming in more satisfactory now," said E. D. Walker Thursday, as he handed in a list of nine names of parties who made application through the F. & M. Bank for bonds Thursday. Those buying bonds today were, W. C. McCarver, \$100; O. L. Parish, \$100; B. W. Pilcher, \$100; Jas. E. Brewer, \$100; R. T. Williams, \$100; Robt. Lewis Williams, \$50; Miss Helen Williams, \$50; C. H. Wylie, \$50; R. E. George, \$50. These names have been added to the list of bond holders published elsewhere in this paper.

Be WISE and Advertise.

COLORED FOLKS GETS MARRIED.

Special to The Ledger: Sunday, Oct. 14th, Mr. Henry Wiley and Miss Laura Dickerson was united in the solemn bonds of wedlock, and on Wednesday night, the 17th, at the home of Miss Diele Mason an entertainment was given in honor of the bride and groom. Rev. A. D. Parker officiated and many friends spoke for them a happy life in the future.

Chas. Castor was in Rowena Wednesday.

Alec Saunders returned Wednesday from a vacation of about two weeks.

WAR CAUSES FIRES

Your property may burn tonight. What would be the loss to you? It may never burn, but you are taking big chances. Why take the chance and suffer uneasiness when a few dollars invested in one of our Old Line Insurance Policies would make good your loss. Let us figure the rate for you.

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We're as close to you as your telephone and we give you the same personal, courteous service that you would get if you came to our store yourself. We have but one price to all.

Ring us up next time you're in a hurry for groceries of any kind and we'll deliver promptly.

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HUNG JURY IN DAMRON CASE

GRAND JURY ADJOURNS

The grand jury for the October term of District Court in Rannels county, adjourned at four o'clock Thursday afternoon. Four bills of indictments were returned, the defendants in all of which have been arrested.

Judge Woodward released the jury in the Elzie Damron case late Wednesday afternoon, after they reported to the court that it was impossible for them to return a verdict. Damron was tried on a charge of assault and attempt to murder, the difficulty taking place between Chris England and Damron last January, and in which it is alleged that Damron cut England about the head and neck with a pocket knife. The evidence in the case was somewhat contradictory, the state introducing testimony to the effect that England did not use a weapon in the fight, while the defense introduced evidence to show that England used a pistol, firing three shots at the defendant and running him to his home a mile or two from where the trouble occurred.

The criminal docket for the week was closed Thursday and the jury for the week released. With the exception of passing on a few non-jury civil cases and waiting for the grand jury to complete its work, court is resting.

The closing out sale in several lines is still in full blast at A. J. Zappe's. d-17-19.

R. A. Yates and wife of Winters passed through Ballinger Thursday enroute to Montgomery, Ala.

The Ballinger Printing Co., can supply your wedding announcements as cheap as any house in Texas, engraved or printed.

Mrs. C. J. Von Rosenberg of La Grange arrived in this city Thursday at noon on a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Q. V. Miller.

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Help Support the Light End of the Load—

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Auto Delivery



"Cattle has always stood for the chief industry of the West. I don't exactly relish the thought of those fellows roping and tying them. It looks like hog-tying our people."

"HIDDEN POWER"

A rousing story of the great Southwest that portrays in vivid fashion the sinister forces that control the government in one of our proudest states starts in the November issue of

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A story of adventure that will thrill you through and through! A fascinating story of the all-conquering power of a woman's love! A story with a moral purpose that will leave every man, woman and child who reads it determined to rid their state once and for all of the evil forces that now hold it in a grip of iron.

In "Hidden Power" Senator John G. Willacy has produced a masterpiece of fiction and of truth such as has never before been written about the government of a state. You will enjoy it. You will profit from it. It begins in the November issue. Out Oct. 18th. DON'T MISS IT!

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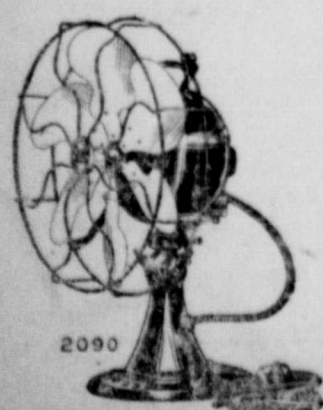
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This story is by Dr. Cyrus Townsend Bracy, and is out of the ordinary. It tells of Gerald Ackland, a West Pointer and former Lieutenant in the U. S. Field Artillery, who goes to Paris two years before the outbreak of the European war to learn aviation. At a garden party given by the American ambassador, he is introduced to Mlle. Landeau, a beautiful girl, the daughter of a famous painter. She is the possessor of a splendid voice, and on the occasion of the garden party captures the heart of Ackland by her singing of the immortal "Marseillaise."

Mlle. Landeau, however, mingled little in society, helping her aged father in his art classes. Ackland, driven to desperation by his inability to meet her and press his suit, finally joins the class, although realizing he would make a sorry pupil. It early appears he has a rival in Rudolph Von Glehm, who makes no secret of his infatuation for the young woman, much to her embarrassment and Ackland's disgust. There is no love lost between the two men, but no open break until one afternoon, when the German makes an insulting reference to Mlle. Mandeu, while at his easel and in the hearing of Ackland. The American knocks him down and a duel is narrowly averted only by the arrest of Von Glehm on the charge of espionage and he is ordered deported.

War is soon declared and Ackland joins the French army as an aviator, while Mlle. Landeau and her father retire to a farmhouse

near the Mons. Fate directs the American's scouting war plane to this farm in time to rescue his sweetheart from brutal German soldiers. He himself, is captured but later liberated by British cavalry, who re-capture the Germans.

Their develops into a real war romance when a decisive battle is fought about the farm, in which Ackland holds off the Germans by manning the last British gun, assisted by Mlle. Landeau. French cavalry arrive in the nick of time, and the young American, dangerously wounded, is taken to Paris, where the girl, wearing the uniform of a Red Cross nurse, brings him back to health and strength. There is real fighting to be seen in this picture.

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THREE DEATHS IN ONE FAMILY AT ABILENE.

The third death in the same family in the space of a month occurred at six o'clock Tuesday morning when Mrs. O. T. Schoonmaker, after an illness of some time of typhoid pneumonia, died at the family home here.

The husband, O. T. Schoonmaker, died a short while ago of typhoid. About one week ago the baby of the family died of the same disease. The wife and mother died Tuesday morning. Six small children are orphaned by the death of Mrs. Schoonmaker. She was about 31 years of age.—Abilene Reporter.

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MRS. MARGARET ANN ROGERS.

Mrs. Margaret Ann Rogers, died at the home of her son, E. B. Rogers, in the southern part of the city Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Rogers was nearly seventy-five years old and had been in feeble health for some time. The funeral was held Thursday afternoon and the remains interred in the City cemetery.

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