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### NAVAL BATTLE EXPECTED OFF THE FINLAND COAST

Stockholm, Nov. 8.—Reports received here today state that a large German squadron of warships are off the Finnish naval station, Helsingfors. Messages received from Haparanda indicate that an attack on enemy vessels and enemy ports is about to be launched by the German navy.

#### SOCIAL MEETING EPWORTH LEAGUE.

The Epworth League will hold a social and business meeting at the home of Mrs. Elmer Simpson at 7:30 this evening. All members are invited to come, and requested to bring a book or magazine for the box being made up for the soldiers.

### TALK OF CONTEST ANGELO ELECTION

San Angelo, Nov. 8.—Whether there will be a contest in connection with the recent prohibition election depends upon some investigations now being made. There have been reports that a contest would be made, and especially on one of the boxes, but so far no definite steps have been taken.

It was learned from a member of the executive committee having in charge the prohibition campaign Wednesday that final action would not be decided upon until a meeting of the executive committee. This meeting will be held when investigations are completed.

A member of the executive committee stated Wednesday that no proceedings would be necessary for some time after the official count of the vote. The count will be made Friday, and afterwards the decision as to the contest will be reached. No member of the executive committee handling the campaign for the prohibitionists denied that a contest would be made.

Unofficial returns gave the anti a majority of eighty-seven in the county. The courthouse box in the city gave the anti a majority of ninety-three votes. It was understood that in case of a contest it would be about this box.

### WET OR DRY UNDICED IN OHIO

Columbus, Ohio, Nov. 8.—A complete and official count will be necessary to decide whether Ohio voted wet or dry in Tuesday's election. After leading with more than 4000 majority, the anti have fallen behind, and the pros now have a lead of 1444, and the count is necessary to determine the results.

Ohio has tried several forms of prohibition and the question of constitutional prohibition was submitted in Tuesday's election, the amendment being placed on the ticket.

#### New Mexico Dry.

Albuquerque, N. M., Nov. 8.—With many small boxes out, the anti concede defeat in Tuesday election by a large majority, state wide prohibition being adopted.

#### TRENCH CANDLES CAN NOT BE USED.

Mrs. C. R. Stephens has just received notice from Red Cross headquarters that no more trench candles can be accepted for shipment to the soldiers at the front, and that the local Red Cross chapter need not make any more of the candles. The reason for this is that the candles are too inflammable, and also that they take up room on the transports that could be used for transporting other provisions to the front. Hence no more will be sent.

The trench candles are intended for the soldiers to use in the trenches for light, and also for cooking. Many of the junior Red Cross societies had already started making the candles, and others had ordered the materials for making them.

M. R. McDavid of Abilene was in Ballinger Thursday between trains.

### BURGLARS BLOW SAFE AT MILES

The large double door safe in the mercantile store of George Reeder at Miles, was blown open Wednesday night and the safe badly wrecked.

Fortunately Mr. Reeder deposited what cash he had on hand in the bank late Wednesday evening, and the bandits only secured about \$20, and perhaps a quantity of goods from the store.

The store was robbed some time during the night, and the wrecked safe told the story when the store was opened for business on Thursday morning. The work appears to be that of professionals, according to information received at Ballinger, and it is believed by the officers that the bandits who have been operating at other places north of here have drifted down in this country.

There is little clue for the officers to work on, but an investigation is being made.

### Advice to Americans in Helping Win the War

Editor's Note—This is the fifth of a series of seven articles on Helping to Win the war prepared by Geo. Ade. This article gives advice to Americans between the ages of 30 to 50.

While the war is on, the active work in support of the boys at the front will be shouldered cheerfully by men and women a little too old for acrobatic service but not yet frosted at the temples.

They will supply part of the money and most of the "pep" needed to supply and encourage a huge army in the field.

It is for them to realize that we have passed the period of doubting and question answering. We have come to the days when bustling must supplant conversation.

It was a little six months ago to spare an hour a day in trying to convince some one with a vacant eye and a drab mind that we were really justified in accepting the insolent challenge thrown at us by Germany.

You are to be forgiven if, even three months ago, you spent valuable time trying to convince a sluggish minority that—

First. Government bonds are a safe investment.

Second. Pro-German propaganda are to be hit in the head.

Third. The allies are to be trusted.

Fourth. The Red Cross is above suspicion and does not obtain either money or knitted goods under false pretenses.

Fifth. All taxes which have been levied are justified by extraordinary and unprecedented conditions.

Sixth. This is not a rich man's war; it was not precipitated by any Wall Street influence; it is not concerned over private investments; it is not a grand benefit for munition makers.

Seventh. Fair premises have no value when they are made by a criminal who finds himself backed into a corner.

Eighth. The men in our training camps and aboard transports and stationed somewhere in France are being safeguarded as American soldiers never before were looked after, as regards wholesome food, proper sanitation, prevention of disease, and moral guidance.

Why enumerate further?

Abe Martin met a feller down in Brown County that never heard of Tony Pastor and we have a taxpayer in our township who thinks the world is flat, and you can find cabaret performers in

### Kerensky Deposed; New Russian Leaders Announce For Peace

#### Blanton Not Coming; Called to Washington

Abilene, Nov. 8.—A. W. Sledge, Ballinger, Texas.

Returning to Washington tonight on important official business. Regret cancelling appointments.

Thomas L. Blanton.

The above telegram was received at noon today, and cancels speaking date for Congressman Blanton at Ballinger and a number of other points in this section.

Congressman Blanton had announced that he would speak here on the afternoon of Nov. 16th, addressing the people on war issues. He was scheduled to go from Ballinger to points south of here, and Hon. W. R. Bruce had volunteered

to take Mr. Blanton to Paint Rock after his address here, the congressman having made it known that he would appreciate it if some way was provided for him to go to Paint Rock. No doubt a large crowd would have heard Congressman Blanton had he not been called back to Washington, and his friends here will be disappointed.

ting the most socks and sweaters never believed the silly stories about the Red Cross being a crooked institution!

That the soldier boy about to board a transport and join his comrades of France and Great Britain never was known to doubt the sincerity of the men with whom he was soon to join shoulders!

No, indeed! All the walls and misgivings and fish stories are put into circulation by a few peacetime outsiders who were just built to be obstructionists and somehow can't help it.

They are in a class with the Tories who feasted the aristocratic British officers while Washington's Army starved at Valley Forge.

They are a hold over of the Vallandigham clan that relieved Lincoln and gave an underhanded copperhead support to the cause of slavery, even after it was doomed.

They are the kind of people who oppose public improvements, will not buy tickets for the Chautauqua, criticize the minister if he smiles in public and attack the presumption of guilt to any woman attacked by scandal.

They are small bores, the two-by-fours, the gnats, the sand flies, the ticks put on earth to teach good people the quality of patience.

The time has come to ignore them. If we can not lock them up for safe keeping, at least we can shut them out from our daily program and go ahead with the important work laid out for us.

This is no time to waste precious hours and vocal energy in trying to prove that two and two

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London, Nov. 8.—Bolshevik leaders, controlling all communications with Petrograd, today formally announced to the world that they had overthrown the Kerensky government.

The Bolsheviks also announced that in place of the Kerensky government they had perfected the institution of a new regime with policy of immediate peace and the immediate distribution of all lands to the peasant class of Russia.

The formal announcement makes no mention of fighting between the followers of Bolsheviks and Kerensky government soldiers, and only says that the garrison and Proletariat forced the overthrow of the Kerensky government.

#### CONFIRMATION LACKING AT WASHINGTON

Washington, Nov. 8.—The Russian embassy neither confirmed or denied the announcement coming from Russia to the effect that Kerensky had been deposed. The Bolshevik leaders are in complete control of the lines of communication and the report coming from them is the only reports received from Petrograd.

#### RATS AND MICE—THE WORLD'S WORST PESTS

Rats and mice are among the worst animal pests in the world, according to biologists of the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

From their home among fith they visit dwellings and store-rooms to pollute and destroy human food.

The rat carries bubonic plague and many other diseases fatal to man and has no doubt been responsible for more untimely deaths among human beings than all wars of history.

In the United States rats and mice destroy each year in homes, in factories, stores and warehouses, in ears and on ships, crops, poultry, and other property valued at more than \$200,000,000—an amount equivalent to the gross earnings of an army of 200,000 men.

Grain, eaten and wasted by the rats and mice on many farms, would pay all the farmer's taxes.

Rats and mice breed from 6 to 10 times a year, producing their destructive kind at an alarming rate.

They are parasites without a single redeeming characteristic.

### STEAMER ROCHESTER SUB VICTIM

London, Nov. 8.—Thirty-one refugees from the Rochester, an American steamer, landed today. The Rochester was torpedoed last Friday in the war zone. Four men were killed and fifteen are missing and may be dead.

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#### THE ORIGIN OF THE KAISER.

(In answer to "Who Made the Kaiser.")  
As Satan was busily puzzling his brain  
Upon a new plan to extend his domain,  
He laughed and he chuckled he wagged  
his old head,  
But "Mortals love conquest" was all  
that he said.

Instead of a head he now put on a  
gourd;  
He donned a spiked helmet, he put on a  
sword.  
Thus—piously, proudly—he stepped  
from his den,  
"Divinely appointed" to rule among  
men.

He mounted a throne and he banished  
his sword,  
And sixty-one millions bowed down to  
the gourd!  
The flag of his region he boldly unfurled;  
Serenely he chuckled, "I'll gobble the  
world."

—Ulmer Bird.

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E. W. Sledge Editor

**WHAT IS A SOLDIER?**

Under the caption "I Am," The Southern Pharmaceutical Journal offer the following appropriate eulogy to the soldier:

"I am a mother's son, I am the pride of a family and part of a home. I love my life as you love yours. I am a youth in years and experience, I am a gambler betting the highest stakes that a man can wager—my life. If I win you win, if I lose I have lost all; the loss is mine, not yours, and experience in life, yet I am a saddened family and a broken home to which I can never return. I ask only for the Godspeed and support of my nation in return for laying upon the altar my all. For my bravery and blood will you furnish bullets and bread? Will you pawn your shekels where I pawn my life? Will you bet your gold while I bet my blood? Will you hazard your wealth where I risk my life? I am the flower of

a nation's manhood, the glory of a noble race and a tithe to the monster war. I am the boy in the trenches."

**THE CRY OF THE POOR.**

The people of Dallas are raising a charity fund of \$74,000 this week in response to a call from the board of charities. Brown-Wood's charity committee has called on the people for \$1500. Ballinger's charity committee is only asking for a minimum of \$300 at this time. Up to date sixteen contributors in Ballinger have subscribed through this paper more than one-third of the amount called for. It should not be necessary for a committee to make a house to house canvass to get this amount of cash. The Ledger's telephone should not quit rattling until every dollar of the amount has been voluntarily subscribed. \$300 is less than ten cents per capita for this city. If you are going to help the poor, do it now, and don't wait to be asked to do so by a committee who will visit you.

**SPECIAL TO THE LADIES.**

I have a supply of Brown Dye and am prepared to dye white shoes a brown. See Sol at Bank Barber Shop.

**THEY GAVE HER VINOL FOR BRONCHITIS**

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Quite a number of women and children were killed in the German air raid on London a few days ago, and yet there are people in America who want to see Germany win this war, and are ready to help Germany.

**Certain Cure for Croup.**

Mrs. Rose Middleton of Greenville, Ill., has had the experience in the treatment of this disease. She says, "When my children were small my son had croup frequently. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy always broke up these attacks immediately, and I was never without it in the house. I have taken it myself for coughs and colds with good results."

**JOHN THURMAN GOES TO BIG SPRINGS BANK**

John Thurman, formerly of this city, but for the past two years vice president of a bank at Santa Anna, has been elected active vice president of the West Texas National Bank at Big Springs. Mr. Thurman left Santa Anna last Monday, going to Big Springs, where he assumes his duties. John has a host of friends in Ballinger who will be glad to note his climb in the banking world, but will regret to note that he is getting so far away from Ballinger. During his stay at Santa Anna he was a

frequent visitor to Ballinger, and we fear his visits will not be so often. We wish his well in his new field and recommend him to the good people of Big Springs.

**"THE SLACKER"**

(By Charles Alexander Richmond, Based on an incident of the trenches told by the "Sammies" on the Western front; copied from the Outlook.)

We buried 'im once at the bank o' the Somme, And twice—but 'e wouldn't stay, For the Boches was droppin' a burstin' bomb, An' knockin' the bank away. The 'e came strugglin' out o' 'is tomb Stretchin' 'is 'ands from the clay.

The Sammies got used to seein' 'im round, An' passed 'im the time o' day, But when we was puttin' 'im under ground—

The guns begun to play— The old feller waggled 'is 'ead and frowned.

As if he was trying to say:

"Ye may bury me till kingdom come, But back in the fight I'll be.

My 'ands are slack and my lips are dumb,

But the slakin' slacker as rats at 'ome Is a deader corpse than me.

**COUPLE CAME HERE TO GET MARRIED**

R. H. Holman, of East Texas, and Miss Minnie Holman, of Winters, were married in Ballinger Wednesday afternoon. The ceremony was performed at the Eighth Street Presbyterian manse by Rev. J. H. King. The newly weds returned to Winters after the ceremony had been performed and later will go to their home.

Paul Trimmer, local secretary of the farm loan association, is in Waco, where he went to attend the district meeting of the Federal Farm Loan Board. Matters pertaining to the placing of loans on farm lands will be discussed at the Waco meeting.



**Planning Community Xmas Tree For the Holidays Here**

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It will be remembered that the Civic League announced early in the year, that the proposition of celebrating Christmas this year with a community Christmas tree would be taken up at the proper time.

The question is now under consideration by the civic league. Mrs. Scott H. Mack, announced Thursday, following the league meeting Wednesday afternoon, that an effort would be made to interest all the churches and Sunday schools and the people in general in the undertaking, and with the co-operation of all the league would attempt to carry out the plan as announced some time ago.

It is proposed that a large tree be constructed on the court house square, or some other suitable place and the children who are not affiliated with any Sunday school be given an opportunity to enjoy the occasion.

F. D. George, an expert window dresser, has already volunteered to assist the ladies in decorating the tree, and the plan calls for simple and inexpensive, but attractive decoration. No expensive presents will be permitted to go on the tree, and the presents for the children will consist of cents, mostly fruits, and in this way the Hoover food campaign pledges lived up to.

Other cities have been making the community tree a great success, and there is no reason why Ballinger should not do even better. It will be a time when all the people can come together in the true Christian spirit, and witness the carrying out of a program that will be in keeping with the times.

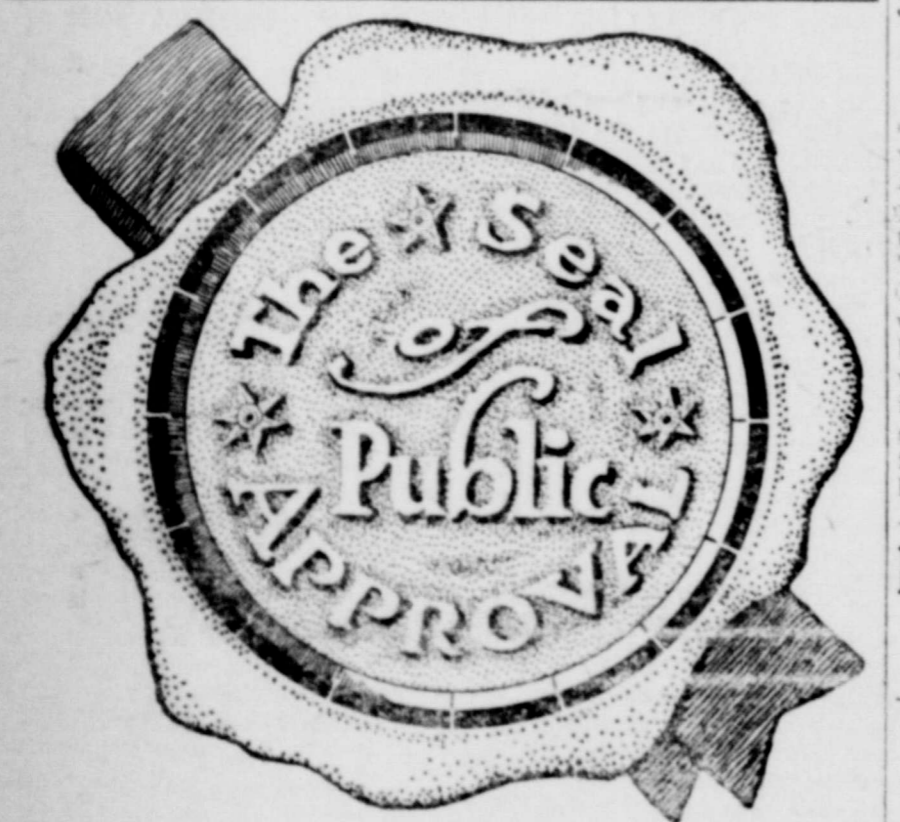
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Paul Trimmer left Wednesday for Waco, where he will spend a few days.

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TAKE

**CARDUI**

The Woman's Tonic

She writes further: "I am in splendid health . . . can do my work. I feel I owe it to Cardui, for I was in dreadful condition." If you are nervous, run-down and weak, or suffer from headache, backache, etc., every month, try Cardui. Thousands of women praise this medicine for the good it has done them, and many physicians who have used Cardui successfully with their women patients, for years, endorse this medicine. Think what it means to be in splendid health, like Mrs. Spell. Give Cardui a trial.

All Druggists

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E. A. Jeanes went to Talpa Thursday on business.

Mrs. A. P. Luckett of Miles was visiting her mother, Mrs. E. L. Rasbury, of this city Thursday.

**OUR SLOGAN**

"A Membership Card in Every Window—An Instruction Card in Every Kitchen in Ballinger and Runnels County."

**STARTS TURKEY CLUB FOR SOLDIER BOYS**

We are in receipt of a letter from Mrs. R. M. Davis, of Crews, in which she makes a motion that the mothers of soldiers from this county, or any one else who wishes to help in the good work, throw in together and send a drove of turkeys to their sons in the training camp and make it possible for them to have Thanksgiving dinner. Mrs. Davis says she will be in Ballinger with her turkey any date set for concentrating them here for shipment to the training camp.

The Ledger stands ready to help in carrying on work in any club for the benefit of the soldiers. The tobacco club has been a great success, and there is no reason why a turkey club would not be a success, if Uncle Sam would see that the turkeys reaches the mess hall at the proper time after they are delivered to the training camp, and that he will do this is no doubt.

Turkeys are not as plentiful here as in some years in the past, but they are more plentiful than mother's sons, and the mother who can send a turkey would be made glad for the opportunity, and the mother who has the turkey to spare, but has no son in the army would no doubt be willing to share in the good work.

Be it one or a thousand turkeys to go, The Ledger, acting on Mrs. Davis' suggestion, hereby appoints R. P. Kirk chief turkey herder, with authority to appoint his assistance, and set Monday, November 26th, as date for shipping turkeys to army camps. All turkeys must be here by noon Monday the 26th. Bring them in, and if the scheme can't be put over, you can sell your turkey, or carry him back home and keep him until the son returns from the war.

**Boots and Shoes Made to Order**

We don't stop at shoe repairing. We make 'em from the sole up. Have expert boot and shoe maker on job. Place your order with us for boots or shoes. Practice economy by having your old ones repaired. H. L. Wendorf. dtf

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Little, of Maverick, were shopping in Ballinger Wednesday. Mr. Little says the people of his section of the country are holding their own notwithstanding the serious drouth. While here Mr. Little called at The Ledger office and left cash for the newspaper man and also contributed to the soldiers tobacco fund.

Sheriff Perkins left Wednesday for San Antonio to take Mrs. T. W. Morris to the asylum.

**"Gee, I Wish I Had a Smoke"**

That's what our boys are saying who are "over there" and fighting for you so that this world may be a better place for you to live in. Will you supply your soldier friend with his favorite smoke and satisfy his longing? He is doing his bit—will you do yours? Sending tobacco to our boys is almost as important as rolling bandages or producing munitions, as far as their comfort is concerned.

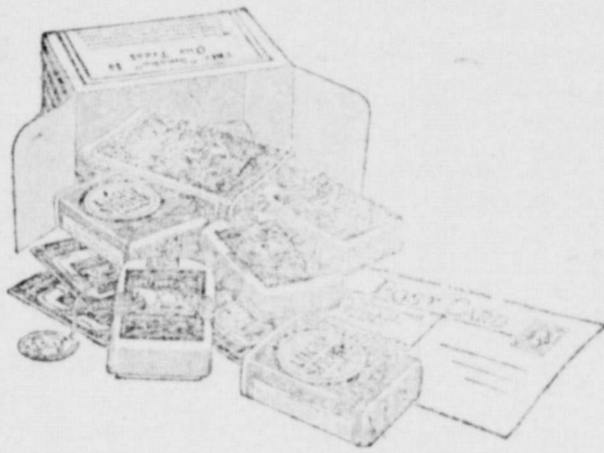
**The Ballinger Ledger's Tobacco Fund**

has just been started, to supply our boys with their favorite smoke. Will



you help to make it a success? This has been endorsed by the Government. Through the efforts of this paper, arrangements have been made with a tobacco company to send 45c worth of tobacco for 25c.

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- 1 tin of Tuxedo Tobacco, Retail at 10c
- 4 books of Tuxedo Cigarette Papers ----- 45c

A return post card is enclosed in each package, so that every contributor will receive a personal acknowledgement of his gift. You will treasure this message from the trenches. Everybody wants to give a little. Will you help make it a success by doing your bit.

**The Ballinger Ledger's Tobacco Fund**

District No. 6 of this County, as taxpayers in said district shall be established by order of the Board entitled to vote at said election. Said election was ordered by the County Judge of this County by order made on the 20th day of Oct., 1917, and this notice is given in pursuance of said order. Dated the 22 day of Oct., 1917. J. D. PERKINS, Sheriff Runnels Co., Texas. Be WISE and Advertise.

**FIRE SEASON IS HERE---**

More property is damaged by fire in winter season because there is more fire. Very simple. How about the loss in case your property burns? A good policy is to get a policy. Let us write it.

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T. J. Gardner, Mgr.

Miss Lucile Powell is at home from a visit to her grand-mother and other relatives at Baird. She returned home Wednesday on the A. & S.

Diaz Wood has accepted a position with the First National Bank.

**Sheriff's Notice of Election for the Issuance of School Bonds.**

The State of Texas) County of Runnels) Notice is hereby given that an election will be held on the 17th day of November, 1917, at Bethel School House in Common School

District No. 6 of this County, as established by order of the Board of County School Trustees of this county, of date the 23rd day of August, 1915, a certified copy of which order is recorded in Book 1, pages 1 and 2, of the minutes of Records of School Districts, Runnels County, Texas, to determine whether a majority of the legally qualified property taxpaying voters of that district desire the issuance of bonds on the faith and credit of said Common School District in the amount of \$1200.00, the bonds to be of the denomination of \$100.00 each, numbered consecutively from one to 12, both inclusive, payable 20 years from their date, with option of redemption after 10 years, and bearing 5 per cent interest per annum, payable annually on April 10th of each year, to provide funds to be expended in payment of accounts legally contracted in equipping and constructing permanent repairs of brick material to the Bethel Public Free School building of said District, and to determine whether a majority of the legally qualified voters of that district shall be authorized to levy, assess and collect annually while said bonds or any of them are outstanding, a tax upon all taxable property within said district sufficient to pay the current interest on said bonds and provide a sinking fund sufficient to pay the principal at maturity.

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