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BRITISH ARTILLERY NOW AIDING THE ITALIAN ARMY

The Italian Army Headquarters, Nov. 17.—The British artillery is already in action against the Austro-German forces.

London, Nov. 17.—The British monitors are in action against the Austro-Germans in the Marshes of Vecchie. They are striving to hold the invaders back from Venice.

London, Nov. 17.—The British light naval forces met the German forces in Heligoland Bight today, and the Germans were forced to flee.

MORE RAIN.

L. C. Demman received a telegram at 9 a. m. Friday from Lubbock stating that it was raining there. It was also reported that a good rain was falling at Big Springs, but this latter report was not substantiated by the Texas & Pacific operator there who told Wm. Saunders, local operator, that the rain at Big Springs was "about seven drops." It was also reported that southwest New Mexico was getting a rain Friday.

RAIN IN ABILENE.

It was drizzling rain in Abilene Friday afternoon, with very little prospects of amounting to much.

THE WEATHER.

Tonight generally fair, colder; Sunday fair and much colder.

ANGELO MAN DIES FROM SHAVING SELF

As the result of blood poisoning, believed to have been caused by shaving himself, F. L. Alexander, age thirty-six years, died at his home at 21 West Eleventh street, Thursday morning at six o'clock.

Mr. Alexander shaved himself last Friday, opening a small sore on his neck at the time. He became ill shortly afterward and his condition reached a serious stage Wednesday, despite the efforts of physicians to allay the effects of the poison.—San Angelo Standard.

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The World War; What We are Fighting For and Why

By William English Walling.

We are fighting for America and against Germany. But even military autoeracy does not dare to defend massacres on the mere ground of national egoism. The German ruling class organized its vast propaganda solely to convince the world, including the Germans, that it is fighting for principle. And the considerable development of that propaganda is chiefly due to its positive elements. The Germans tell us they are fighting to spread "kultur," scientific efficiency and organization, state socialism.

We are fighting against the effort of autoeracy to spread at the expense of democracy. We are fighting to prevent militarism from committing successful aggression. We are fighting against war, against the return of barbarism. What are we fighting for?

Why rest with the statement that we are fighting against war and preparations for war? Is it not infinitely more inspiring that we are fighting for that ceaseless improvement of the relations between the nations which can not fail to lead toward the federation of the world?

Why say we are fighting merely to defend democracy? Are we not fighting to spread it? We can not spread it by means of the machine gun. We do not issue an ultimatum to the German people! You must accept democracy. But we do see—and say—that as long as autoeracy continues to exist, we shall be obliged to wage some kind of warfare against it.

But the German people may adopt some deceptive compromise that is neither autoeracy nor democracy. This we intend to prevent, but we can prevent it only by demonstrating to the Germans and to all the world that democracy is superior in war, in diplomacy, in industrial technique and organization, in the handling of racial and other minorities; that we lead in educating ourselves as to the issues of war, in the formulation of just terms of peace, and in willingness to sacrifice the smaller for the larger good.

We are fighting to demonstrate the superiority of democracy. But what democracy has given us chiefly so far has been individual opportunity. In the lack of national organization this opportunity has been little utilized for the national welfare.

We are fighting to develop a superiority where Germany has thrown down the challenge. We have to beat her in her chosen field, the development of industrial technique under the leadership of government. We shall not soon excel her as to thoroughness,

which means long preparation and often coercion or subordination of the individual. But we shall excel in the far more important matter of bringing forth individual initiative. And our national organization—proportion as we build up a national organization—will prove superior because so many individuals in all ranks—too much not being demanded of them—will give more than is demanded.

Again the Germans have produced an efficient government. But they have produced it by physical, mental, and moral compulsion of the individual. The state is everything; it shapes the very thoughts and aspirations of the people. As a result the state is worshipped, not only for what it is but also for what it is not. The state can do no wrong—at least abroad. At home it may not be omniscient, but it is omnipotent. It is fate; resistance is inconceivable, revolution an outworn theory. How can the great bulk of citizens develop either courage or intelligence in their attitude to such a state?

The democratic government of the world also have been assuming vast industrial functions since the war—and it is possible that some of these functions will be permanent. But these activities are not based on any state doctrine taught the people by governments. When the people have felt a need, the state has been their servant to supply that need—whereas in Germany it is the people that are the servants of the state. In America it is our state, and we are fighting to show not only that it can do everything that the German state has done, but can succeed where autoeracy has failed.

This is what we are fighting for. However humiliating may be, we did not seriously aim at the maximum of national efficiency in government and industry in time of peace. Only the frightful punishment and curse of war could bring the democratic peoples to exert themselves to the maximum as nations. Not only are we obliged to do our best now to remove every national weakness. The enemy gains still more from the ineffectiveness that has lingered among us—the betrayal of our own democratic principles.

We are fighting, then, not for what democracy was at its worst, but for what democracy can be at its best. No, this is not a negative war. It is a war to advance democracy. And the only way we can advance democracy—even in war time—is to develop it. Only in this way can we administer to the enemies of democracy a lasting physical, mental, and moral defeat.

ITALIANS DRIVE ENEMY BACK ACROSS PIAVA

800 TURKS WIPED OUT BY THE BRITISH

London, Nov. 17.—The British forces trapped a Turkish force of nearly eight hundred men today, and practically wiped them out. The road to Jerusalem has been opened by the British, and they have seized Alushush Ridge five miles southeast of Ramleh. The Turks are fighting bravely, but they are hopelessly outclassed.

BRITISH SUCCESSFUL AGAINST TEUTONS

London, Nov. 17.—The British forces struck savage blows against the German forces around Passchendulle late yesterday afternoon, and were successful.

COLORED FOLKS TO OBSERVE THANKSGIVING

After calling attention to the President's Thanksgiving, Rev. A. D. Parker, pastor of one of the local churches for colored folks, issued a notice to his people and calls on them to join him a day of praise and thanksgiving. Rev. Parker says that he wants to arrange a program for his congregation and interest his people in helping in the great war. "We want to do our bit," said the preacher, and we will appreciate it if the white folks will give us a chance and tell us what to do. Following is the notice given to the Ledger for publication by Rev. Parker:

"Now, for the sake of our great nation, and to obey the order laid down in the proclamation of our great president, I, the Rev. A. D. Parker, do hereby pledge myself to carry out the 29th day of November, 1917, as a day of praise to Almighty God, praying that His will be done on earth as it is in heaven. And now my friends, on Thursday, Nov. 29th, we invite everybody to attend our services. Rev. A. D. Parker.

Dr. W. B. Halley returned Friday from Memphis, Tenn., where he had been to attend the Southern Medical Association.

Commissioner J. D. Smith left Friday afternoon for a business trip to Bell county. He will return home the first of next week.

GROUND GLASS IS FOUND IN CORN BREAD

Rogers, Texas, Nov. 17.—Fred Williams of Rogers reported to Dr. Curtis this morning that he and his wife had discovered something wrong with the corn bread they had for supper last night, and submitted a piece of the bread for examination. Upon close inspection the doctor found several pieces of ground glass in the bread. The local dealer who sold the meal to Mr. Williams will probably ship the remainder on hand back to the milling company for examination. The meal was put up in this county, and it is thought to be quite possible that the glass got into the corn while being shelled, as the corn is handled with scoops, and shelled by machinery.

Rome, Nov. 17.—Enemy troops forced a crossing of the Piave River between Salizana and Santedrea Di Barbarano today, but were driven back across the stream with heavy losses. The Italians had previously released the dikes of the Piave, and had flooded the valley, but the Teutons forced a crossing.

ANOTHER BALLINGER BOY LANDS IN FRANCE

Press reports state that the Rainbow Division has arrived safely at a French port. Roy Sharp recently wrote his mother that he was sailing from Mineola, Long Island. Roy was in the Rainbow Division, and as nothing has been heard from him since he wrote that he was leaving New York, and it is presumed that he has landed in France. Friends and relatives will eagerly wait for a letter.

BOLSHEVIKE STILL HOLDS PETROGRAD

Washington, D. C., Nov. 17.—Official advices from Stockholm received by the state department here today announce that the Bolsheviki are still in control in Petrograd.

Commissioners Court Adjourns. The commissioners court, in regular quarterly session, completed its work Friday afternoon, and the commissioners returned to their respective homes. The minutes of the court will be published in a later issue of The Ledger.

J. P. and Jeff Knight, of the Winters country were in Ballinger Friday, coming here on business. Mr. Jones supplied himself with reading matter for 1918 while here, being a pleasant caller at The Ledger office, and placing his order for a state daily paper and The Banner-Ledger. They made the trip to Ballinger in their car, and report had roads a dread to auto traveling.

BRITISH OFFICER CAPTURES 20 GERMANS

London, Oct. 28. (By Mail).—In a dense fog, a British officer with an active machine-gun looked so much like a tank that twenty German soldiers surrendered to their lone opponent in one of the recent Flanders battles.

In the thick of the engagement the officer rushed a hillock seventy or eighty feet high outside Poelcapelle and began to spray with his machine-gun a group of enemy about thirty strong, who were keeping up sweeping volleys against the slopes of the rise.

Three of his companions crawled from hole to hole, bringing him fresh supplies of ammunition. He quickly wrecked the hostile advanced post and the surprised Germans could not believe that a single man was holding them in check. A dense fog added to their bewilderment and fear and one of them declared he saw a tank standing behind the hill.

The others hastened to accept this fable and suddenly twenty Germans were seen to raise their arms, saying: "Kamerad!" The embarrassed officer, to secure his prisoners had to summon the assistance of another English section.

BEAR HUNTERS

BAG 450 POUNDER

Pecos, Texas, Nov. 17.—John B. Howard returned Wednesday afternoon from the Davis Mountains where he had been on a bear and deer hunt. In the crowd from Pecos were Jno. B. Howard, Hugh Lee and Elmer Reynolds, Lee and J. J. Bush joining them at Balmorhea.

Howard brought back both bear pelt and venison to prove a successful hunt. He left the other hunters in the Davis Mountains.

The bag up to the time Howard left consisted of three bears, one weighing in the neighborhood of 450 pounds, the other two being cubs, and two big black-tailed deer.

Jno. B. Howard divided the meat among his friends Wednesday, and left with The Enterprise family a fine bear roast and a fine lot of venison for which he and his party have the sincere thanks of the family.

Each of these gentlemen are ex-

pert riflemen and seldom let their game get away once they get a glimpse of it. However, on this trip Howard and Kingston came upon a big bear which Kingston took a crack at with his pistol (he had left his rifle at the camp on this occasion in order to give Howard a chance to kill a real bear) and called Howard to make ready to kill it when he appeared and showed the latter where to look for him. He showed up at the exact spot designated and Howard creaked down on him some eight or ten times and "never touched a hair." Evidently this was John's day off and he begged Lee to give him a good kicking and send him home afoot.

ABILENE PLAYING SAN ANGELO TODAY

The Abilene High School football team passed through Ballinger Friday night enroute to San Angelo, where they have matched a game for this afternoon. The Abilene team is one of the strongest in this section of the state, and the boys seemed confident of a victory over San Angelo.

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J. J. Yerby returned Saturday at noon from Hillsboro, after spending a few days there visiting.

Mrs. Whaley of San Angelo returned home Saturday. She had been here with her sister, Miss Georgia Singletary, who is in the Halley and Love sanitarium.

An Old Man's Stomach. As we grow older and less active, less and less food is required to meet the demands of our bodies. If too much is habitually taken the stomach will rebel. When a man reaches the advanced age 85 or 90, you will find that he is a light eater. Be as careful as you will, however, you will occasionally eat more than you should and will feel the need of Chamberlain's Tablets to correct the disorder. These tablets do not contain pepsin, but strengthen the stomach and enable it to perform its functions naturally. They also cause a gentle movement of the bowels.

SOCIETY

Complimentary Party. Miss One Hartman entertained Thursday evening complimentary to Mr. Clint Penn, who is at home on a furlough from Camp Travis. The young people enjoyed a box party at the Queen Theatre, afterwards returning to the Hartman home on Broadway, where "42" and fortune telling was enjoyed. Miss Hartman assisted by her mother served a two-course luncheon to the following: Misses Annie Jean Sharp, Vera Nicholson, Irén Champitt, Myrtle Whitaker, Lucile Powell, Ona Hartman; Messrs. Claud Stone, Oscar Williams, Delbert Vancil, Diaz Wood, Ira Thurman, Clint Penn. Mrs. Vancil was chaperone for the evening.

Honoring Soldier Boys. Messrs. Diaz Wood and Oscar Williams entertained with an oyster supper at the Strobble cafe Monday evening, honoring Clint Penn, who is in training at Camp Travis and Troy Simpson, who is in training at Camp Stanley. After the delightful supper they then enjoyed a "Box Party" at the Queen Theatre, from the show-the crowd gathered at the home of Mrs. Vancil where music and games were enjoyed until the

A NERVOUS WRECK

From Three Years' Suffering, Says Cardui Made Her Well.

Texas City, Tex.—In an interesting statement, Mrs. G. H. Schill, of this town, says: "For three years I suffered untold agony with my head. I was unable to do any of my work. I just wanted to sleep all the time, for that was the only ease I could get, when I was asleep. I became a nervous wreck just from the awful suffering with my head. I was so nervous that the least noise would make me jump out of my bed. I had no energy, and was unable to do anything. My son, a young boy, had to do all my household duties. I was not able to do anything until I took Cardui. I took three bottles in all, and it surely cured me of those awful headaches. That has been three years ago, and I know the cure is permanent, for I have never had any headache since taking Cardui. . . Nothing relieved me until I took Cardui. It did wonders for me." Try Cardui for your troubles—made from medicinal ingredients recommended in medical books as being of benefit in female troubles, and 40 years of use has proven that the books are right. Begin taking Cardui today. NC-134

WAR TALKS

By UNCLE DAN
Number Three

New War Methods Have Changed Everybody Must Help.

"Hello, Uncle Dan. Jimmie and I have been waiting for you." "Sorry if I have kept you long," said Uncle Dan. "Your mother has been telling me how bashful I used to be. She said if a girl spoke to me I would blush to my hair roots. Well, I reminded her of the time your father first came to see her and the joke we played on them, so I guess that will hold her for a while."

Continuing, Uncle Dan said: "You want to talk more about the war, do you? Well, war methods have undergone many changes and they are still changing. No two wars are fought alike. In early times, the weapons were stones, clubs, spears, bows and arrows, swords, etc. In this kind of warfare, victory was with the strong right arm. Men of enormous size and strength were the great warriors. The invention of gunpowder, however, has changed all this. It has enabled men to kill one another at a considerable distance, and do it wholesale. The war, as we know it now, is a combination of chemicals, machinery, mathematical calculations and highly trained men. Just think of it! Airplanes, submarines, armored tanks, or caterpillars, poison gases, and curtains of fire are all used for the first time in this war; and they are destructive beyond anything heretofore known."

"The methods followed by the Kaiser and his allies are simply devilish. He must answer in history to the killing of thousands of innocent women and children. He has broken every international law and every rule of warfare; he has bombarded hospitals and undefended cities, sunk Red Cross ships on errands of mercy; he has destroyed cathedrals and priceless treasures of art that can never be replaced; he has made slaves of his prisoners; he has tried to get us into war with Japan; his emissaries have blown up our ships, burned our factories and fired our forests. He knows no mercy or honor. The most charitable view to take of this blood-thirsty tyrant is that he is crazy."

"One thing is certain," continued Uncle Dan, with great emphasis, "Our liberty, the safety of our homes and our country, and the security of the world demand the speedy and absolute overthrow of the Kaiser and crushing out once and forever the reign of Prussian brutality."

"How about the German people," said Billie.

Uncle Dan replied: "The splendid German people were happy thrifty, prosperous and contented. They have been tricked into war and made to suffer the tortures of the damned; they have been cruelly and systematically deceived. God grant that the real facts may get to them, and if they do, Lord help the Kaiser!"

"Of course the allies will win," said Mrs. Graham.

"Probably so," said Uncle Dan. "But if we are to win, we must go the limit. We must check the awful destruction to shipping by the German submarines, or we may not be able to get food and supplies to our own men and to our allies; we must also put hundreds of thousands, and perhaps millions, of first-class soldiers in the battle line."

"Food is the first consideration," Uncle Dan continued. "No army can hold out against hunger. It has been said that food will win the war, and this is largely true. Hence the importance of the farm in the war plans of our country."

Mrs. Graham interrupted by saying: "In view of the importance of farming, don't you think, Daniel, that the farmers ought to be exempted from war service?"

"No, a thousand times no," said Uncle Dan, striking the table so hard to emphasize his protest that he tipped over a vase of flowers. "We must have no class legislation. The duty to serve is the common duty of all, and no class must be relieved of this obligation. The question of exemption must be a personal one and decided by the facts surrounding each case. In no other way can we have a square deal, and to insure this, it is the duty of congress to pass immediately the Chamberlain bill, or some such measure, which is fair to all classes. It would settle all these questions and do it fairly. Safety now and safety hereafter demands such legislation, and let me suggest that you and your friends get busy with your congressman and senators and bring them to prompt action."

"It is time for us to realize that we are not living in a fool's paradise; that this great country of ours cost oceans of blood and treasure and it is only due to the loyalty, sacrifice and service of our forefathers that we have a country, and it is our highest duty to preserve it unimpaired and pass it on to posterity, no matter what the cost may be. Our citizenship and their ancestors came from all parts of the world to make this country a home and enjoy its blessings and opportunities; hence, in the crisis before us it is the duty of everyone to stand squarely back of our country and be prepared to defend the flag. Every one in this crisis is either pro-American or pro-German. Great as the country is, there is not room enough for two flags."

WITH THE CHURCHES

EIGHTH STREET PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. A. W. Sledge Superintendent. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m. Morning subject "The Hope of Glory." Evening subject, "Fit For the Kingdom." Junior Endeavor at 3 p. m. Senior Endeavor at 6:15 p. m. Everybody is invited to our services. A special welcome to visitors and strangers. J. H. King, D. D., minister in charge.

ALL SAINTS CHURCH. Service and sermon 11 a. m. Subject "We All Do Fade As A Leaf." Service and Sermon 7:30 p. m. Subject "Render Unto Caesar the Things Which Are Caesar's, and Unto God, the Things Which Are God's." All are cordially invited. Sunday School 9:45 a. m. W. S. Allen, D. D., Priest in Charge.

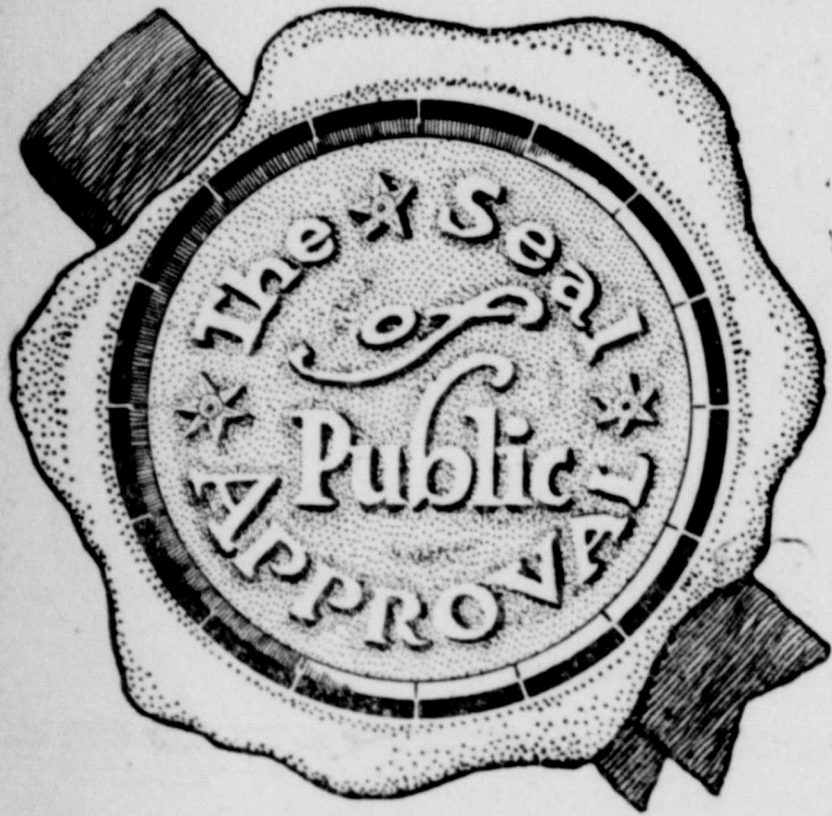
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH. Sunday School 9:45. Preaching at 11:00. Subject "The 7th Commandment." Night service at 7:15. Subject "Lights on the Path to God." Teachers training class 3 p. m. B. Y. P. U. 6:15. A cordial welcome extended to

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Special music. W. T. Murray of this county left Friday afternoon for various parts of North Texas to find pasturage for his cattle.

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night train when they, in a bunch, met the incoming train. Those enjoying the evening were Messrs. Clint Penn, Troy Simpson, Oscar Williams, Delbert Vancil; Misses Ona Hartman, Whitloe, Mahotah Chastain, Hattie Miller, Lucile Powell, Myrtle Whitaker, Lucile Tolson, with Mrs. D. C. Simpson, chaperone.

Miscellaneous Shower. On Thursday afternoon Mrs. Leslie Baker and Mrs. Sim Cottle entertained at the Cottelle home on Sixth Street, in honor of Mrs. Edgar Rasbury. Six tables were arranged for the "42" players. After several interesting games the hostess served a two-course luncheon, consisting of

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- II. Ice - Cake

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GREAT WAREHOUSE IN RED CROSS WORK

By George Martin.

Washington, Nov. 17.—One of the comparatively trifling little detail tasks of the American Red Cross in connection with its \$100,000,000 war job overseas was to build thirteen giant department stores at various places in France.

These big establishments are used for the storage and distribution of the millions of dollars worth of Red Cross supplies flowing to France from this country at the rate of 15,000 tons a month.

Cables announcing the completion of these stores and detailing some of the uses to which they are put were received here today.

The Red Cross calls them warehouses, but cables that their contents are as numerous and as varied as those of an American department store. One of them, in Paris, is so big that freight cars are run right into the building and unloaded.

It is to these big stores that the war knitting you do and the bandages you roll, are sent direct.

"To serve the American troops and the hundreds of war hospitals behind the French firing line, and to reach the thousands of French refugees, the Red Cross has established this system of thirteen warehouses," said the cable.

"This new war relief distribution system has been organized since the arrival of the Red Cross Commission, in Paris, in June.

"Six of the warehouses have been located in Paris, which serves as the center of the distribution system. Ten others are located in departments outside the capital and from these supplies are distributed by motor trucks, wagons and every available means of transportation, to hospitals and other institutions.

"A large proportion of these supplies is received from the United States and is forwarded by the Red Cross Supply Service from chapter work-rooms and from relief societies affiliated with the Red Cross. Owing to the great shortage of ocean tonnage, large quantities of supplies have been purchased by the Red Cross Commission in France.

"The stocks of goods carried by the warehouse include every kind of medical supplies, drugs, and surgical instruments for the use of hospital staffs. Foodstuffs, clothing, building materials, plowing implements and tools are also being imported in large quantities for the assistance of French refugees.

"Red Cross warehouses in Paris alone have a capacity of three and a half million cubic feet and can take care of sixty thousand tons of supplies at a time.

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an application in the County Court of Rannels County, on the 9th day of November 1917, for Probate of will of Mattie Stevens, deceased, and for Letters Testamentary which said application will be heard by said Court on the 4 day of February 1917, at the Court House of said County, in Ballinger, at which time all persons interested in said estate are required to appear and answer said application, should they desire to do

so. Herein fair not, but have you before said Court, on the first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same. Witness my hand and official seal, at Ballinger, this 9th day of November 1917. W. C. McCARVER, Clerk County Court, Rannels County, Texas. By W. R. Buckett, Deputy.

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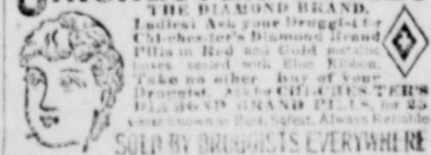
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

In conformity of the laws of the State of Texas governing the disposition of Unclaimed and Refused Freight, notice is hereby given that the property described below will be sold at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the local freight depot at Ballinger, Texas, on December 10th, 1917, at 9 a. m. o'clock unless same is previously

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ers in the American Ambulance, are directing the work, while the force of workmen is recruited from veteran French soldiers and Belgian men no longer fit for military duty. The French Government and the municipal authorities of Paris are cooperating with the Commission in the securing of labor and in maintaining the transportation service."

CHICHESTER'S PILLS



NOTICE IN PROBATE. THE STATE OF TEXAS. To the Sheriff or any Constable of Rannels County—Greeting— You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for a period of ten days before the return day hereof, in a newspaper of general circulation, which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year in said Rannels County, a copy of the following notice: THE STATE OF TEXAS— To all persons interested in the Estate of Mattie A. Stevens, deceased. W. M. Stevens has filed

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MAN IN BATTLE WITH 2 MEXICANS

San Angelo, Nov. 17.—In a pitched battle between S. T. Estes and Diapoldo Ramirez, a Mexican, at the Lee Knight ranch in the southern part of Tom Green county Tuesday afternoon, eleven shots from Winchester were fired and no one hit. Sheriff Allen Tuesday afternoon arrested the Mexican and placed him in jail. Mr. Estes, who was defending himself and family from an attack by Mexicans, went on his way to Radd, where he has located for the coming year. Mr. Estes, discussing the battle, said his eyesight is bad, which accounted for the fact that he failed to score a hit.

The trouble grew out of a horse swap of a few days before. Mr. Estes had traded horses with a Mexican by the name of Santiago Lara. The next day Lara decided that he was not satisfied. Mr. Estes was moving to Radd and Lara overtook him and wanted to swap back. Mr. Estes finally pacified Lara by giving him an old saddle. But Lara was not satisfied long. He went to a companion, Ramirez. The two armed themselves with Winchester and started out to take the horse from Mr. Estes. It was near the Lee Knight ranch that Mr. Estes saw the Mexicans coming toward him in a gallop. He knew that a fight was coming and had his family drive on out of the danger zone while he remained to hold the fort.

Mr. Estes took his position behind a clump of bushes. When the Mexicans were in hearing distance he yelled for them to stop. They refused and reached for their Winchester and Mr. Estes opened the ball. At the first shot Lara decided he did not want the horse Mr. Estes had nor the one he was riding. He deserted his horse and made for tall timber. There was a cloud of dust where he scooped across the prairie. But it was different with Spnor Ramirez. He was in the fight to stay and returned the fire.

The Mexican decided to adopt the old Indian style of fighting. He strode his horse in a half circle and continued pouring a raking fire at Mr. Estes. Before completing the half circle the Mexican had fired six shots from his Winchester and was astonished to see the little puffs of smoke continue to come from the clump of bushes. He decided that he might get a bullet in his hide if he remained about there and so he turned his horse and headed the other way.

Mr. Estes lamented the fact that his eyes are getting bad. He wiped his eyes and went on to join his family. Then he continued his way unharmed.

So far as could be learned Senior Lara has not come back for the horse he deserted in the pinch.

\$100 Reward \$100

The readers of this paper will glad to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is catarrh. Catarrh being greatly influenced by constitutional conditions requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts thru the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in the curative powers of Hall's Catarrh Cure that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

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Mrs. Teague, who had been visiting her parents, C. C. Cockrell and wife near Ballinger for some time, left Saturday morning for Brownwood, where she will stay this winter.



WATCH THE CHARITY HELPERS INCREASE

Be charitable, get your name on this list quick. If you are so pious and handle your affairs in such a way as to not let the left-hand know what the right-hand doeth, just hand in a ten dollar check and we will list it as "Cash."

This city is not going to allow any one to suffer the pangs of hunger, or sleep with frozen feet, and if you don't do your part towards charity, the other fellow will have to do more than his part. Where help is needed, help will be given.

The world has been put on notice, however, that new-comers of the poverty stricken class are not needed here, and those who come here for the specific purpose of securing the sympathy of the charity committee will find themselves facing a cruel world. The poor we have with us always, and the city has all the poor it can care for through the coming winter and those who come here for help will be returned to the city from whence they came empty-handed.

Those already here must be cared for. Your name on the following list will help to do the work:

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C. R. Crews, treasurer of the Charity Committee, states that only a few of those who have subscribed have paid their subscription, and the committee is in the need of funds. Those who have subscribed and have not paid should hand their check, or the cash to Mr. Crews at once, and save the committee the trouble of making the rounds and collecting the money.

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."

TWO THOUSAND DOLLAR PECAN CROP

R. B. Brown of the South Ballinger neighborhood was marketing pecans in Ballinger Saturday, and apparently was finding little difficulty in disposing of them. He says that he will gather thirteen thousand pounds or more of pecans this fall, which at the prevailing price of fifteen cents a pound, will amount to something near two thousand dollars, and all of this will be practically clear, as the only cost is in the time consumed in gathering and marketing them.

The pecan crop is unusually good in this section this year, and many farmers who failed to make a cotton crop will be enabled to "tough it out" through the pecan crop.

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BALLINGER PLAYING BROWNWOOD IN COLEMAN

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In a game between Brownwood and Ballinger some weeks ago, Brownwood defeated Ballinger by the close score of seven to nothing, and that came after Ballinger had played San Angelo the day before, and were not in the best of playing trim. However, the two teams are pretty evenly matched, and it is expected that the score will be close.

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