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21 AMERICANS LOST WHEN U. S. DESTROYER SINKS

Washington, Nov. 20.—The Chauncy, the small United States destroyer, carried to its watery grave 21 Americans, according to reports received at Washington today. The Chauncy was on patrol duty in foreign waters when it was damaged in a collision with another boat and sank before the crew could be rescued.

U. S. TRANSPORT CAUGHT FIRE

Hoboken, Nov. 20.—Fire broke out in an army transport, the Pastores, here today. The transport was tied up at a dock formerly used by the North German Lloyd. The ship was damaged considerably before the blaze was placed under control.

GERMANS CLAIM TERRIBLE INVENTION

The Hague, Oct. 20. (By Mail.) Travelers reaching Holland from the interior of Germany declare that the entire country is talking of a new, terrible explosive discovered by a professor of chemistry.

According to tales traveling from mouth to mouth, very small quantities of the explosive will inflict incredible damage. It is said that a bomb weighing twenty pounds will destroy everything within a radius of a mile, while ten airplanes armed with bombs of the explosive could daze a large city in a few minutes.

Some arrivals assert the story is officially inspired and exaggerated to hearten the people.

Judge A. K. Doss is remodeling the interior of the home recently purchased from C. C. Schuchard. Petitions are being rearranged, the house repapered, and the plumbing installed. The Doss family will occupy the house about the first of December.

CURRIE COMES HERE; DOSS TO WINTERS

Judge A. K. Doss received a telegram late Monday stating that Rev. J. B. Curry had been returned to Ballinger for another year by the Methodist conference. The message also stated that Dr. Thompson had been assigned to the Brownwood district as presiding elder again, and Rev. W. H. Doss was assigned to Winters. Rev. Doss was pastor at Ballinger for three years, going from Ballinger to DeLeon, where he had been for two years, and during which time he has brought about the building of a \$12,000 church at that place, completed and paid for. Rev. Curry will be welcomed back to Ballinger and the many friends of Rev. Doss will be glad to know that he is to be so near Ballinger again.

Following are the appointments for the Brownwood district:

PETTY CRIMES ON DECREASE IN DALLAS

Dallas, Nov. 19.—Petty crimes in Dallas have decreased ninety per cent since local option went into effect last month, according to Night Sergeant Lane at the Central police station. Notwithstanding this fact, however, more felony charges have been filed during the month than in the memory of Deputy Constable Grady Kennedy.

Work in the Dallas police department has been changed about considerably. For the past several nights the police department has averaged five calls each night. There also has been fewer arrests than ever before. Emergency hospital interns declare if it was not for automobile accidents, the emergency hospital could very well close at night. There was an average of ten cases treated at this hospital each night prior to last month. From one to three is the average now.

Italians Forced to Give Up Piava River Line

STATE LEADS WAY OPEN FEED MARKET

Austin, Texas, Nov. 19. Judge O. L. Parish, County Judge of Rannels County, Ballinger, Texas.

Dear Judge: We are endeavoring to assist those citizens of our State who really need help and the purpose of this letter is to enlist your cooperation in support of the movement in your County.

We have located great quantities of Hay and Grain, much of which may be bought from the producer direct, a list of same is ready for distribution, and needs a medium in each County through which this information may be carried to the people, and especially the farmers and cattle raisers who have to buy much feed and food this winter. We have a working connection with a good many farmers' organizations in different sections of the State but such organizations as yet have not been formed in all the farming communities in Texas and for that reason in districts where there are no working organizations, the people need an avenue of official information, and under the present economic crisis, we feel that the County Judges of the various counties would undoubtedly be willing to do their moral, political and patriotic duty, to the end that full information be given to the people through the County Press, Commissioners' Court and County Council of Defense. We recommend that citizens of each county so far as possible organize and arrange to buy supplies cooperatively.

This Department is also splendidly equipped to assist our Texas farmers' marketing associations in locating a market for their commercial crops in season. By giving this matter a part of your spare time in cooperation with this Department and your people, an invaluable service may be rendered and the reestablishment of prosperity in your County hastened. Please give this matter publicity in your local newspapers.

May we expect your generous cooperation?

Yours very truly,
E. W. Cole,
Director of Markets.

VILLISTA BANDITS CLOSING IN ON JAUREZ

El Paso, Texas, Nov. 19.—Jaurez is tonight surrounded by Villistas and refugees from that town are arriving here.

Martin Lopez, who led the attack on Carranzistas at Ojinaga, is at Guadalupe, twenty miles east of Jaurez, with 500 men and another force of Pancho Villa's men are reported at Rancheria, thirty miles west of the Mexican border town.

The advance guard moving on Jaurez can be seen from El Paso and their campfires are burning on the foothills.

Villa in person is leading his main force to attack Chihuahua City and he will assist in the attack on Jaurez as soon as the former town is in his hands, according to Villistas here.

BURNS TO DEATH

Sherman, Texas, Nov. 19.—While attempting to start a fire with coal oil, at her home at Hagerman, near here, late yesterday, Lillia May Thompson, was so badly burned that she died a short time later. Her father who tried to rescue her is in critical condition. Mrs. Thompson was painfully burned but will recover.

TO RESTORE MONARCHY IN RUSSIA

Paris, Nov. 20.—An effort is being made to restore monarchy in Russia. Grand Duke Nicholas has been out in command of General Kalendine's cossacks in the general plan to restore the monarchy. This news came to Paris today in Vienna dispatches via Geneva and which were printed in the L'information.

NOTED BRITISH GENERAL DEAD

London, Nov. 20.—General Maude, British commander in Mesopotamia, died yesterday after a brief illness.

Maj. Gen. Frederick Stanley Maude, the captor of Bagdad, was rated as one of the most brilliant commanders of the war. After a series of British defeats in Mesopotamia, General Maude was placed in command last year and won an unbroken series of successes. Advancing from the Babylonian plains he captured Kut-el-Amara, where General Townshend's army had been compelled to surrender. He continued his drive up the Tigris, advancing ninety miles in two weeks, and last March captured Bagdad. With the opening of the new campaign this fall he pushed up the Tigris more than 100 miles beyond Bagdad, his operations being designed primarily to defeat the expected attempt of the Germans and Turks to recapture the city.

General Maude was 53 years old. He had a distinguished military record before the war. He took part in the Sudan campaign in 1885. He served with distinction in the South African war, where he won the distinguished service order and the queen's medal with six clasps.

Prior to taking command in Mesopotamia General Maude saw service in France, where he was wounded. He was mentioned five times in the dispatches and made a commander of the Bath.

Sim Coffelle and Noel Penn went to Valera Tuesday on business.

ACTIVITY IN DIRT AT MILES TOWN

Miles, Texas, Nov. 19.—Mrs. M. E. Stephens, mother of W. T. Stephens, county tax assessor, this week sold to F. A. Hoverland 100 acres one mile east of town for \$5,000, all cash. Mrs. Stephens retained her 320 acres in Tom Green county and home in Miles and will remain here.

W. J. Hicks sold his 200 acres two miles southeast of town for \$6,000 to Otto Kruger. Mr. Kruger will occupy the farm the first of the year and Mr. Hicks is planning to invest elsewhere.

L. D. Balkum sold to F. H. Bertrand 502 acres on the Concho for \$12,000. This is known as the Dr. Yates place. Mr. Balkum will remain on the place and cultivate at least 100 acres under irrigation next year.

ACCIDENTAL KILLING IN BROWNWOOD

(Brownwood Bulletin.) Annie Young, negress, about 30 years of age, died early this morning as a result of a wound received just after the noon hour Sunday when Charlie Stokes, a negro, accidentally discharged a pistol, the bullet striking the woman in the breast and ranging across her body.

Justice G. B. Cross of Precinct One held an inquest today and Stokes was released without bond, the coroner's verdict being that the wound which caused the woman's death was inflicted accidentally and without deliberate intent.

Stokes is an employe of the Brownwood oil mill, and returned yesterday from a trip to Coleman. After going to the boarding house at which a number of the negro employes of the oil mill make their homes, he took the pistol from his hand grip, and was attempting to replace the cylinder in the gun when it was accidentally discharged, the bullet striking Annie Young, who was sitting in the room near the stove. No one was in the room except Stokes and the woman. The gun was a .38-caliber Smith & Wesson revolver, and Stokes had removed the cylinder from the weapon before he started from Coleman to Brownwood.

Woman Makes Statement. Immediately following the shooting District Attorney Early and Sheriff Davis went to the scene, and to these officers the wounded woman made a statement exonerating Stokes of any homicidal intention. She described the shooting as purely accidental, and this statement was corroborated by other negroes who were in the house at the time. The woman stated that she and Stokes had never had any disagreement and this statement was verified by the officers who examined other witnesses familiar with the domestic life of the negro colony.

Following the shooting medical attention was given the wounded woman, but attending physicians were unable to save her life. The bullet ranged across the woman's chest and downward, inflicting a fearful wound. Death occurred early this morning.

HIGHWAY COMMISSION HELPS MANY COUNTIES

Austin, Nov. 20.—The monthly meeting of the state highway commission was attended Monday by nearly a score of delegations from various parts of the state, seeking to have highways designated or asking for state and federal aid in the construction of designated highways. During the morning session the commission granted state and federal aid as follows:

Morris county highway No. 1, \$32,600 federal aid; Nolan county highway No. 1, \$22,000 federal aid and \$75,000 state aid; Eastland county highway No. 1 \$35,000 federal aid and \$11,000 state aid; Franklin county highway No. 1, \$25,000 federal aid; Titus county highway No. 1, \$28,800 federal aid and \$9,900 state aid; Robertson county, for Galveston division of the Meridian road, \$25,000 federal aid; Harris county, for Galveston division of the Meridian road, \$50,000 federal aid; Bexar county, for Meridian road between Selma at north edge of county, through San Antonio to Lytle at southwestern edge of county, \$50,000 federal aid and \$50,000 state aid.

Father Gollbach went to Brownwood Monday.

London, Nov. 20.—Censored dispatches received here from Italian headquarters pointed out the possible necessity for the Italians abandoning the Piava river line, in order to complete preparations to resume an offensive.

ENEMY PROMISES NOT TO PLUNDER

Rome, Nov. 20.—The Pope of Rome has extracted from Germany and Austria a promise not to ramage and plunder the city of Venice, nor to remove any of her priceless treasures, if the city is evacuated before the advancing teutonic armies. This report comes from well authenticated authorities and indicates that Venice is in danger of falling into the hands of the enemy.

MR. AND MRS. PROCTOR TO GO TO BALLINGER

Winters is going to lose some more of our best people and this time Ballinger is the gainer. Ed Proctor has accepted the position offered some weeks ago as manager of the Burton Lingo Lumber business at Ballinger and is now there, taking in hand the work. Mrs. Proctor will likely remain with her school until Christmas after which time she will join her husband in their new location. We make this announcement with regret and there are many people in Winters who will regret as much as we to lose these good people. We can only indulge in the hope that the move is only temporary and that the fates may change affairs so that they may again in the future be with us, for we feel that they are a part of Winters and that it is but natural that this is their permanent home. —Winters Enterprise.

FALSE REPORTS BY PRO-GERMANS

Dallas, Texas, Nov. 19, 17.

Editor Ballinger Ledger: An absurd rumor has been getting around that the United States government is thinking of seizing the peoples bank accounts to pay for the war. The idea was patched by pro-Germans and it is false. Probably there is no one in your community foolish enough to believe such nonsense, but it may be well to draw attention to the government dispatch recently sent out, containing a message from Mr. McAdoo, the secretary of the treasury.

Washington, Nov. 17.—Recurrence in many sections of the country of the old rumor that the government intends to seize bank deposits caused Secretary McAdoo to issue this statement today. "Among the many absurd and vicious rumors which are being put into circulation these days, probably through pro-German influences, is one that the government proposes to confiscate the money on deposit in the banks. The absurdity of the statement is obvious on its face. Of course these rumors are wholly without foundation in fact the government has no power to confiscate the money of depositors in banks.

Signed,
W. G. McAdoo.

W. A. Nance 393 NIGHT PHONES Henry Jones 556

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W. Steier Editor

Last Saturday was a good day for shooting subs. The Germans lost five.

"Railroads will be in the hands of the president, if the crisis occurs," says press reports. Mr. Wilson may have his hands full but he is equal to the occasion.

The kaiser says God was with the Teutons on their march against the Italians. If we believed that we would stand pat as a pacifist. It can't be possible.



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The Y. M. C. A. committee is a live one. Individuals and firms are given a chance to contribute to the work. That's getting them going and coming, but its a cruel war and one that cuts going and coming. It is something the American people didn't order but must pay for. Down with the kaiser.

You are not supposed to forget your Hoover pledge just because it is hog killing time. Eat the bones and preserve the meat for summer seasoning. Economize now and live later.

While some are complaining because the grocery man will not sell them but twenty-five cents worth of sugar, there are those who would be glad to even get a that amount. That's something to think about when you dip into the sugar bowl the second time.

DROUTH HURTS WORSE THAN WAR.

We folks who live in the United States might just as well tell the plain truth about what we are doing and about how we are taking the war. Up to this time few are taking the great conflict seriously and only occasionally is there a person who has suffered any on account of the war. America has realized what the war means only as the few homes have been called upon to send out their sons to the battle front. In the larger part of the country, where there has been no drouth, the people are "rolling" in wealth. They are having more of the luxuries of life than ever before, and even in the drouth stricken portions of the country people are having to cut out the most extravagant luxuries only. Men drawing good salaries complain of the higher cost of living, when the facts are they are living like lords, compared to what the people of Europe are having. There may be days ahead when the people of the United States have to deny themselves necessities in order to feed our allies and carry on the war, but so far it is almost sacrilegious to claim we have even suffered inconvenience. People who say they are having a hard time making ends meet would come nearer the truth if they said they are having a hard time living high.—Abilene Reporter.

You are speaking from a financial view point, and what you say applies to the country where the drouth has not been felt and where prosperity abounds. While you are telling the plain truth about the war, we might just as well tell the plain truth about the country affected by the drouth. Few people in this country have given to the war until it hurts, because there are a few people who can not give until it hurts. Instead of having a hard time making ends meet they are not

CONSTIPATION

And Sour Stomach Caused This Lady Much Suffering. Black-Draught Relieved.

Meadersville, Ky.—Mrs. Pearl Patrick, of this place, writes: "I was very constipated. I had sour stomach and was so uncomfortable. I went to the doctor. He gave me some pills. They weakened me and seemed to tear up my digestion. They would gripe me and afterwards it seemed I was more constipated than before."

I heard of Black-Draught and decided to try it. I found it just what I needed. It was an easy laxative, and not bad to swallow. My digestion soon improved. I got well of the sour stomach, my bowels soon seemed normal, no more griping, and I would take a dose now and then, and was in good shape.

I cannot say too much for Black-Draught for it is the finest laxative one can use. Theford's Black-Draught has for many years been found of great value in the treatment of stomach, liver and bowel troubles. Easy to take, gentle and reliable in its action, leaving no bad after-effects, it has won the praise of thousands of people who have used it. NC-135

making ends meet. There are no people more patriotic than the people of the drouth stricken section of Texas, but it is impossible for many of them to express their patriotism in dollars and cents.

As a general rule all you need to do is to adopt a diet suited to your age and occupation and to keep your bowels regular. When you feel that you have eaten too much and when constipated, take one of Chamberlain's Tablets.

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 called for and all lawfully accrued charges paid thereon.

Car SLSF 41520 Alfalfa Hay shipped from Cameron, Okla., August 29th, 1917, by R. D. Turman & Co., or R. D. Freeman & Co., or R. D. Turner & Co., to same consignee, Rowena, Texas, "advise" Plano Grain and Hay Co., covered by Cameron, Okla., to Rowena, Texas, waybill SF 16 dated August 29th, 1917.

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Y. M. C. A. KEEPS THE HOME FIRES BURNING

THIS COUNTY WILL TAKE PART IN STATE CAMPAIGN FOR \$400,000 WAR WORK FUND.

Texas War Work Council Organized. Will Send Executive Secretary Here for Campaign.

To keep the home fires burning in the hearts of the 100,000 American troops in France during the long, cold winter that faces them in the trenches and to preserve the high moral and social life of the 1,700,000 men under the colors at home, the Young Men's Christian Associations of America are raising a national war work fund of \$25,000,000.

This County to Aid. Texas has agreed to give \$400,000 to this amount, and this county has been asked to do its part in the campaign.

At an organization meeting of the Texas War Work Council in Dallas recently, at which practically every county in the state was represented, the following men were named as members, with Rhodes S. Baker as chairman, and L. A. Coulter of Dallas, as state campaign director: H. H. Simmons, Hillsboro; R. E. Burt Houston, E. R. Brown, Dallas; W. C. Paige, Houston; W. S. Mosher, Dallas; C. A. Nichols, Georgetown; James Kapp, San Antonio, and J. P. Milligan, Fort Worth.

A district executive secretary will be sent to this county in the interest of the campaign which will start Nov. 11 and continue through Nov. 19.

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SHERIFF'S SALE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS—County of Rannels.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Rannels County, on the 8th day of November 1917, by Miss Mary Phillips, Clerk of said Court, for the sum of Seven Hundred Fifty-Two and 40/100 Dollars and costs of suit, under a foreclosure of a vendors lien, in favor of Herman Clemens in a certain cause in said Court, No. 1852 and styled Herman Clemens vs. H. C. Chenoweth, placed in my hands for service, I, J. D. Perkins as Sheriff of Rannels County, Texas, did, on the 8th day of Nov. 1917, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Rannels County, Texas, described as follows, to wit: All of lot 5 in Bld. 1, in the town of Miles, Rannels County, Texas, as shown by the map of Miles now on file in the office of the County Clerk of Rannels County, Texas, and levied upon as the property of H. C. Chenoweth and that on the first Tuesday in December 1917, the same



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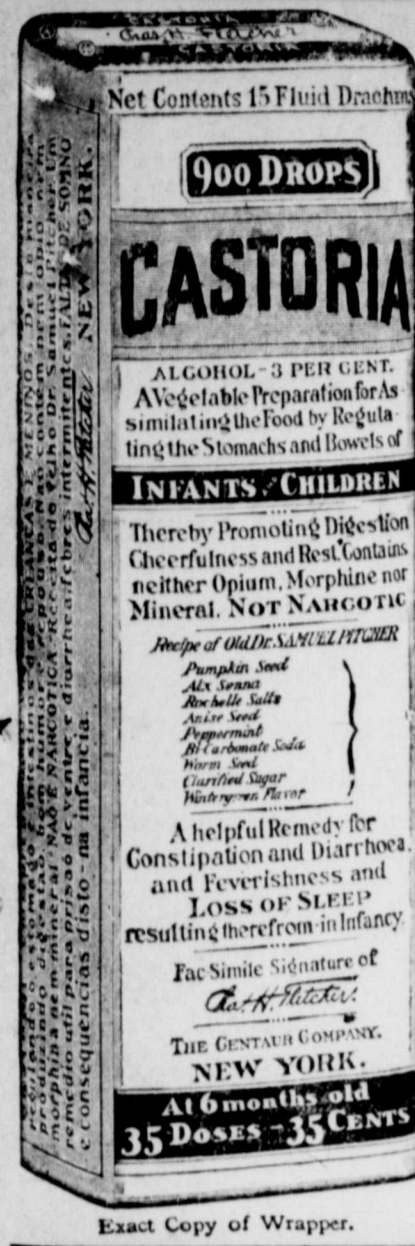
And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Daily Ledger, a newspaper published in Ballinger, Rannels County.
Witness my hand, this 8th day of November 1917.
J. D. PERKINS,
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The Trust Companies in Texas have resources of \$73,177,490.21, a gain of \$13,219,623.57 or 26 per cent over last year, according to the 15th annual edition of "Trust Companies of the United States," just published by the United States Mortgage & Trust Company of New York.

The 1917 book, which is now being distributed consists of about 900 pages and contains a wealth of interesting figures and data. Resources, detailed statements, names of officers and directors, stock quotations, etc., are given for more than 200 companies.

In the preface, John W. Platten, President of the United States Mortgage & Trust Company, says in part:

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A good road is one of the greatest assets for a community. Considered as a means of getting education for the child so that he can comfortably get to school, as a means of transportation of food-stuffs, as a direct link in the life of a woman with certain necessary social activities as a spiritual means of getting to church—consider a good road from any standpoint you like—civil, educational, economic, social, spiritual or moral—and it immediately looms up as an asset beyond price. The amazing part of it is that we have been slow to see the value that lies in a good road, and most amazing is it that we still tolerate so many thousands of miles of roads unfit to travel. It was recently said at a large gathering of women that the men were directly responsible for bad roads; that they had not done what they might have done to have better roads, and that much of the isolation in women's lives is due to their inability to get from one point to another on even a passable road. If that is so, if men have not risen to their best in this matter, if they have

Getting a good road does not depend on having a vote; men know that. Women have done much for good roads in this country, but have they done all they might do? Has the actual value of a good road really been brought home to the comprehension of thousands of women? Have not women failed to grasp the full significance of good roads, as a matter of fact? If not, why there miles and miles of scandalous roads, with women living on them everywhere? One fact is patent, there should be no such thing as a bad road in a country such as this, or in such a time as this. The time has gone by for any excuse for a bad road that keeps a child from school, a man from his market, a woman from her church or from those social chances to which she is entitled. And the sooner we believe this fact, men and women, the fuller and happier our lives will be. There is scarcely anything into which a community can so wisely put its money as into a good road; and the woman who proclaims this, day in and day out, until she gets every road in her community comfortably traversable, is a savior to her sex!—Ladies Home

fore 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 Runnels 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 an application in the County Court of Runnels 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, Runnels County, Texas.

By W. R. Puckett, Deputy.
A true copy, I certify
J. D. PERKINS,

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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failed to do all they might have done, why not let women everywhere try what they can do in the matter of getting better roads?

Journal.
If good roads are one of the greatest assets of a community, bad roads are one of the greatest liabilities of a community.



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THE COUNTRY**

is in the milk and cream which comes from our creamery, and their purity is unquestioned. Our customers will buy of no one else; and if you haven't been trading with us, we solicit your patronage, knowing that when we get it you will be our customer for life.

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NOTICE IN PROBATE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Runnels County—Greeting—
You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for a period of ten days be-



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U. S. N. Ensigns George H. Paterson, Robert O'D. Hinkley and I. Glenn Wilson enjoying the "Makings" somewhere on the Atlantic coast

COPY OF TELEGRAM FROM GENERAL PERSHING

AMERICAN RED CROSS, N. Y. City

"Many thanks for kind offer to contribute Christmas boxes to troops of the command. Men now well supplied with necessities, but think pipes, BULL DURHAM tobacco, cigarette papers, cigarettes, match boxes, pocket knives, small cans of jam, stick candies, writing materials, novels and handkerchiefs would be suitable."

General Pershing sent the above telegram from the Mexican border a year ago. He needs the same things for his boys in France today. "BULL" DURHAM was the only branded article asked for by name.

GENUINE "BULL" DURHAM TOBACCO

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RUNNELS COTTON

ONE-THIRD 1916

This county will receive two-thirds as much money for its cotton crop this year as if received last year, notwithstanding that the yield will hardly figure one-third as much.

This estimate is figured on a basis of a one-third crop and a cotton is not feeling the high cost double price, or as twice as much of living.

as was paid per pound for cotton last year.

In figures the ginners' report up to Nov. 1, this year, shows a total of 8,717 bales, as compared with 25,923 for same date last year.

Added to the increase in price for cotton the high price paid for seed brings the total up to a profitable paying basis for the cotton producer. The irrigated land produced wonderful this year, and the farmer with a few holes of cotton is not feeling the high cost

The man who made a complete failure, failing to harvest either cotton or feed, is down and out for the time being. Many of the unfortunate are compelled to depend on their better fixed brother for help, and must be assisted until the country "comes back."

FURS.

Hides, bones, junk. I buy everything that is loose. I. O. Wood. 20. 4th 4th

Don't give that sales slip order to a stranger, let us have it. We spend our money with you. The

MACHINE GUN BEST DEFENSIVE WEAPON

With the French Armies Afraid, Oct. 28. (By Mail.)—The present war has proven the machine-gun, the greatest defensive weapon yet developed. A single one can easily hold up an entire regiment.

The full value of the machine-gun was apparently appreciated by Germany before the war began to a much greater extent than by any of the other European armies. With the outbreak of hostilities each active and reserve regiment of the German army had six machine guns with ample in reserve to replace losses.

Since then Germany has maintained a steady program of increase in their number. Towards the end of 1914 Germany had undertaken to equip every unit engaged on the front with machine-guns.

In 1915 the number of these to each regiment had been increased from six to nine. A little later the number was again increased to 12.

Following the French attack in Campaign of September, 1915, every German battalion was equipped with six machine-guns, each increasing thus the total of each regiment to 18.

Now Germany is rapidly completing a program that will give each regiment 24 machine-guns.

Only one protection can be offered the infantrymen against the thousands and hundreds of thousands of losses that these guns can inflict and that is an artillery preparation exceeding anything which the present war has yet developed. Before infantrymen leap over the trenches thousands of cannon must rain down hundreds of thousands of shells on every inch of the ground to be attacked until not a single spot has escaped where a machine-gun might remain hidden.

This artillery preparation must not only be on a scale to cover every inch of the surface of the ground but must be of an intensity to destroy steel and concrete shelters, yards below the surface. A single machine-gun left intact in one of these shelters can be mounted to the surface after the infantry had left its trenches and inflict hundreds if not thousands of losses.

With the artillery preparation which the French have perfected they have demonstrated that it is mathematically possible to wipe out every machine-gun before a single infantryman shows his head.

With the French method and with sufficient guns and shells, American infantry can face the German's new machine-gun concentration with practical immunity.

But it means that America must have thousands of guns and millions of shells.

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."

Clark Graham of San Angelo came to Ballinger Tuesday on a visit to his parents here, and also to attend to some business.



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NOTICE

We have received Liberty Bonds covering all subscriptions received through our Bank to Second Liberty Loan.

In order to avoid unnecessary expense and risk of loss we are holding all Bonds in our fire-proof and Burglar-proof vault for safe keeping.

We have arranged a special file in our vault for Liberty Loan Bonds and we will be glad to care for all Bonds deposited with us WITHOUT COST TO ANYONE.

The First National Bank Of Ballinger

LIBERTY BONDS ARRIVE.

Local banks have received the second issue of Liberty Bonds, and subscribers are either being notified to call for their bonds, or the bonds are being delivered. The banks are offering to take care of the bonds for those who have no place for safe keeping, and thereby avoid the risk of loss by fire or theft. The city, county and independent school district received their allotment of bonds, the bonds being issued in \$500 and \$1000 denominations, while a great majority of the bonds for the individual subscribers are of the \$50 denomination.

A 360 POUND FIGHTER.

Philadelphia, Nov. 20.—Sergeant Frank Montague, who is stationed with the U. S. Marines at their League Island camp, is peculiar.

The sergeant weighs 360 pounds and recently he sent two khaki uniform blouses to the laundry that were returned to him unwashed, and with a notation on the laundry slip, which read: "We don't launder wall tents."

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PICTURE PROGRAM

The Thomas A. Edison Studios present—

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William Vandervoort Cosgrove, son of a wealthy pork packer, crack player of the Yale team, is seen in action by Heegan, a scout of the Giants. Heegan, certain that he has discovered a new baseball star for the team, rushes to Mugsy McGraw, manager of the Giants, with the news.

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Freemont, O.—"I was passing through the critical period of life, being forty-six years of age and had all the symptoms incident to that change—heat flashes, nervousness, and was in a general run down condition, so it was hard for me to do my work. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound was recommended to me as the best remedy for my troubles, which it surely proved to be. I feel better and stronger in every way since taking it, and the annoying symptoms have disappeared."—Mrs. M. Godden, 925 Napoleon St., Fremont, Ohio.

North Haven, Conn.—"Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound restored my health after everything else had failed when passing through change of life. There is nothing like it to overcome the trying symptoms."—Mrs. FLORENCE ISILLA, Box 197, North Haven, Conn.

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