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### U. S. 48 TO 60 PER CENT BEHIND ON WAR SUPPLIES

Washington, Dec. 15.—Facing an investigation by state and military committee next week, the army quartermasters general department announced today that the delinquency in clothing, shoes and blankets contracts amounted to from sixty to forty-eight per cent. The delay in filling contracts for war supplies is retarding war movements as well as causing dissatisfaction in some of the army camps. The committee will attempt to place the blame for the delay and apply the remedy.

### HOOVER LOSES IN GOAL AND SUGAR PROBE

Washington, Dec. 15.—The Reed sugar and coal investigating committee, which is probing the coal and sugar situation today denied Food Administrator Hoover's request for permission to cross-examine witnesses appearing before the committee.

### BRUCE CREASY GETS TEN DAYS FURLOUGH

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Creasy were made glad Friday when their son Bruce came in from the army camp on a visit. Bruce was fortunate in procuring a ten days furlough, but unfortunate in that he lost one day of it by the furlough being delayed one day in reaching him. He will have to report for duty on December 21st, unless he gets an extension.

Bruce is a Ballinger boy, and of course that means he is making good in Uncle Sam's service. He has an important place in the mechanical department of the army, and is located at Camp Travis. He has been recommended for a trip to France, and it was rumored that he was going to be transferred on the 15th of this month when a bunch of men were removed from Camp Travis, but he was not called and immediately asked for a leave of absence.

H. W. Lybb, Mrs. Lynn and mother, Mrs. Townsend, were here from Winters Friday looking for Santa Claus.

### LOCAL CHURCH HAS 18 MEN IN WAR

The First Baptist Church have on display in the Higginbotham Bros. store, a large card, representing the American flag, with eighteen names standing out in bold print. Across the top of the card is the wording "Our Boys in Service, First Baptist Church." There are eighteen stars on the card representing the eighteen men, and in the stripes of the outline of the flag is written the following names:

George Baker, Sid Hale, Paul Best, Diaz Wood, C. S. Craig, B. D. Beck, J. H. Baugh, R. D. Cobber, Elmer Allison, R. B. Morgan Jr., Hubert Yeager, Arteak Stuart, Eugene Kipp, Jno. W. Christopher, Roscoe Stocks, Willie T. Stephens, W. L. Stuart

These names are young men who are either members of the First Baptist church, or were affiliated with the Sunday school and church work at the time they enlisted in the service. We doubt if there is another church in the city who has furnished as many men to the war.

### SWEETWATER BOARD CALLS 45 MORE MEN

Sweetwater, Tex., Dec. 14.—The local exemption board has received a telegram inquiring if forty five men could be entrained from this county December 18. The men are wanted to report to Fort MacArthur, Los Angeles, Cal.

Secretary Cowan replied that thirty-five men could be sent December 18. However, none will be sent until further orders are received.

It is stated that similar calls have been received by boards of surrounding counties.

### BRITISH REGAIN LOST TRENCHES

London, Dec. 15.—The British regained considerable part of the British trenches lost yesterday, when the enemy penetrated the territory around Polderhoek. No change in positions is reported from other points.

### CHRISTMAS DRIVE FOR TEN MILLION

Ten million new members in a week!

That is the goal the American Red Cross has set for itself in its Christmas membership campaign that is to be launched December 16th. Throughout the United States Red Cross chapters are preparing for the enrollment of the new army which is to stand as the organized support of the boys in the trenches.

No man is more deeply concerned in world war than President Wilson—who is also president of the Red Cross—and this is his proclamation: To the People of the United States:

Ten million Americans are invited to join the American Red Cross during the week ending with Christmas Eve. The times require that every branch of our great national effort shall be loyally upheld, and it is peculiarly fitting that at the Christmas season the Red Cross should be the branch through which your willingness to help is expressed.

You should join the American Red Cross, because it alone can carry the pledges of Christmas good will to those who are bearing for us the real burdens of the world war, both in our own Army and Navy, and in the nations upon whose territory the issues of the world war are being fought out. Your evidence of faith in this work is necessary for their heartening and cheer.

You should join the Red Cross because this arm of the National Service is steadily and efficiently maintaining its overseas relief in every suffering land, administering our millions wisely and well and awakening the gratitude of every people.

Our consciences will not let us enjoy the Christmas season if this pledge of support to our cause and the world's weal is left unfulfilled. Red Cross membership is the Christmas spirit in terms of action.

WOODROW WILSON,

President of the American Red Cross.

### MINISTER DELIVERS SERMONS BY TELEPHONE

Shreveport, La., Dec. 15.—Religion by telephone is being dispensed successfully here by the Rev. M. E. Dodd, pastor of the First Baptist church.

Dr. Todd has had a desk phone installed on his platform and when he preaches at night the receiver is taken off. Members of his church who are ill or friends, who cannot attend the services can get the sermon at their homes by calling the number of the church.

An unlimited number of persons can be connected with the telephone at the same time, and a double audience can get the benefit of the sermon.

Miss Mary Lu Tucker, of Palestine, returned to her home Friday afternoon. She had been visiting at San Angelo and stopped over in Ballinger to visit her aunt, Mrs. F. M. Moore.

### BOLSHEVIKI TRIUMPHS OVER ENEMY

Petrograd, Dec. 15.—Bolsheviki today gained further victories against the forces of Keledine and Potosky. The arrest of Generals Keledine and Potosky and their staffs was officially announced.

### TAKING CARE OF WAR CHILDREN

Note.—The following is the last of the series of articles by W. S. Forrest, manager of the Paris office of the United Press, telling how the Red Cross is caring for hundreds of French children rescued from the war zone.—Editor.

Toul, France, Nov. 17. (By Mail.)—There is an eighteen-month-old war baby with a perpetual smile and an iron constitution at the American Red Cross home for Refugee Children here today who ought to have an American God-Mother.

Simone Botmer, French war child, probably the champion war baby of the entire war. More trials and tribulations have been crowded into her short young life than in any other life of equal period. Fate has played as many pranks with her than perhaps with any other living toddler. Today Simone has a smile for everyone and as for disposition she might just have well been born with a silver spoon in her mouth instead of under conditions which are as much the reverse as day is from night.

To begin with, Simone was born in one of those dark, unsanitary, vermin filled caves where French peasant folks live after the German guns have blown their homes to bits. Simone's father, of course wasn't present. He had disappeared several months before the event from the very region just over the hill where French trenches face the enemy and keep him from advancing further into the Department of Meurthe and Moselle. Simone's mother, being a sturdy French peasant woman gave the little mite strength to live even under all the adverse conditions.

Before the war the Botmer household was as neat and thrifty as any in the village. But the village like all others within range of the enemy guns, is now a mass of ruins. No living thing is safe on the surface of the ground. To appear among the battered and naked walls means to invite German shells from the enemy gunners. The caves offered shelter against these missiles until the Germans began to use gas. Then the French government supplied the cave dwellers with gas masks. But to send them to a safer place was the best remedy. The French government moved the smallest children to the "Asile-Casern de Luxembourg," a group of buildings prepared for the purpose here on a hill near Toul. Then the American Red Cross took a hand and today more than 500 children are under the care of American doctors and nurses headed by Dr. Julius Parker Sedgwick, of Minneapolis.

Little eighteen-month-old Simone Botmer is among the children. Suffering from pneumonia she was taken from her mother's cave and placed in the small children's hospital. Here after many anxious days and nights under the care of Nurse Bessie Spanner of Cleveland, O., and Dr. J. I. DuRand, child specialist of Seattle, Simone pulled through and has since smiled her way into the affections of all the American doctors and nurses.

One month ago Simone's face,

### LEASES 50,000 ACRES TO SINK DEEP WELL

### DRILLING DEEP WELLS FOR OIL

(Brownwood Bulletin.) They are now drilling in Brown and Coleman counties eight deep test wells, and the contracts are let for at least that many more. Coleman county has one deep well, brought in at 3300 feet and producing about 200 barrels a day. This well has never been drilled in, as the Magnolia Petroleum Co., who owns the lease has been busy constructing a pipe line to Coleman to take care of the production.

A deep test well is under way at Santa Anna, Valera, Trickham, and two near Coleman, while Brown county has one just south of town, one near Grosvenor and one near Bangs.

Much interest is being manifested over the well at Bangs, as a good production of gas was found near the drilling site. The well is producing gas for the drilling, and is also furnishing Bangs gas for lighting and heating purposes. This gas is found at the shallow depth of 1100 feet. It is estimated that enough gas is available from this well to supply Brownwood, however it has been thought best not to pipe into Brownwood as a field might be located nearer, which would save considerable expense.

Several deep wells are to be drilled near Brownwood, and in the county, one being down several hundred feet on the Low place four and one-half miles south of town. Work will start constructing the derrick for the test well east of the Bayou, as soon as a car of rig timbers arrives, which has been on the road for the past month. The outlook is very flattering and if oil is anywhere in the county it will be found. No report is obtainable from the wells being put down at Grosvenor and Owens, though it is understood that the work is advancing steadily.

### PREMIER OUTLINES WAR AIMS

London, Dec. 15.—Premier Lloyd George delivered the long looked for speech before the house of commons yesterday, outlining the British aims in the war. It was officially announced today that yesterday's speech would be followed by another speech by Premier George next Thursday, in which he would engage in a more specific discussion of the British war aims.

Pete and Jack McGregor left Saturday afternoon for Marlin, where they will recuperate. We regret to note that Pete McGregor has been suffering with rheumatism for some time. He will probably spend several weeks in Marlin, while Jack McGregor will return home in a few days.

Pinched by lack of proper nourishment and disease made her appear like a skinny Japanese baby. Her nails, despite the illness drew her eyes down to narrow slits and her small white teeth not yet fully grown were the most prominent part of her appearance. With proper treatment, a daily bath and nutritious food Simone is beginning to blossom out.

All Simone needs is an American God-Mother.

"I have just closed up for the lease of fifty thousand acres of land here and will sink a deep well, said E. C. Ryan, of Kansas City, Saturday, before boarding the train for his home.

Mr. Ryan has been here for several days procuring oil leases on land. He went after big fish and did not lose any time with small land holders. Among the acreage leased by the oil promoter is the 25,000 acre Russell ranch, the Herring ranch of 5000 acres, the Clayton ranch of 2500 acres, the Spreen ranch of 6000 acres and the Giescke ranch of 1600 acres.

Mr. Ryan is a heavy investor in the Tulsa, Oklahoma, oil fields and recently leased a large acreage in McCulloch county. He seems to have an eye on the acreage east of Ballinger and north of the Colorado river. When queried as to what he thought of the prospects the gentlemen said, "it looks good."

The oil promoter declined to say where he would puncture the earth, but said "drilling to commence within ninety days." There, you have it, his word not our word. Mr. Ryan left Saturday for his home at Kansas City where he will spend Christmas, and says the outfit will come this way soon and the drilling to begin as soon as the machinery is on the ground.

Here's hoping you will make millions old man, and if you do we will try to get in on the ground floor. If you can't do nothing more than give us a Brownwood boom, we will give you credit for being a country saver.

### BLANTON TO SPEAK AT QUEEN THEATRE

It has been suggested that every business house in Ballinger close from ten-thirty to twelve next Tuesday morning, or during the hour that Congressman Blanton is speaking here on the war issues.

Mr. Blanton is sacrificing his time and paying his own expenses to make a number of speeches in Texas on matters of great importance to the American people. It is expected that he will have a large crowd to hear him at this place.

Arrangements have been made for him to speak at the Queen theatre. This place will seat a large crowd, and it is convenient, and Mr. Cohen has very kindly offered the use of the theatre for the speaking.

Congressman Blanton will arrive here late Monday night, or early Tuesday morning, and will speak promptly at 10:30, leaving as soon as he can get away after the speaking for Paint Rock, where he is scheduled to speak at one-thirty, and will go from Paint Rock to Eden where he will speak later in the day.

Representative Blanton has been a busy man since going to Washington, and he is returning to this country just for a brief stay and in order that he might bring a war message that is of great importance at this particular time.

### SPECIAL CHRISTMAS MUSIC AT METHODIST CHURCH

We are requested to announce that special Christmas music will be rendered at the Methodist church Sunday morning December 23, under the direction of Mrs. Morgan Jones, and that the evening service will be solely music, including a Christmas cantata under the direction of Mrs. Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Jones, of the Pony Creek community were shopping in Ballinger Friday.

W. A. Nance 393 NIGHT PHONES Henry Jones 556

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R. W. Sledge Editor

Let's start an oil boom. Grease up.

Cloudy weather is encouraging. Conserve the rainfall.

One dollar will make you a Red Cross member. Get on the firing line with your cash.

If you don't go to church tomorrow, where will you go? Hell is not far off.

The Municipal Christmas tree is everybody's tree. All the children will have a Santa Claus this year.

Yes, it will be a little dull after



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Christmas—always is, but what's the use making it dull now worrying about it?

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It is mighty hard for a man to Hooverize when pork sausage peddlers in Ballinger are as thick as candidates at a political picnic. Hoover should fix a limit on sausage.

The government proposes to spend three dollars on public roads in Rannels county, if the citizens will spend one dollar. That proposition should make this county a net work of good roads.

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**SHERIFF'S SALE.**  
THE STATE OF TEXAS—  
County of Rannels,  
In the District Court of Rannels County, Texas.  
M. S. Ujffly, Plaintiff vs. M. C. Hood et al Defendants.  
Whereas by virtue of an execution issued out of the District Court of Rannels county, Texas, on a judgment, rendered in said Court on the 25th day of October A. D. 1917, in favor of M. S. Ujffly and did on the 12th day of December A. D. 1917 at 10 A. m. levy upon the following described tracts and parcels of land situate in the County of Rannels, State of Texas, and belonging to the said defendants, to-wit: Being all that certain tract of land lying and being situated in the County of Rannels, State of Texas, being Block Nos. 42, 54 and 55 of the South Ballinger Addition to the town of Ballinger, Rannels County, Texas, as the same appears by the map of the plan of said addition on file in the County Clerk's office of said Rannels County, Texas, and on the 1st day of January A. D. 1918, being the first Tuesday of said month between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 4 o'clock P. M. on said day at the court house door of said county, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction for cash all the right, title and interest of the said defendants, in and to said prop-

**SAN ANGELO MAN FINDS BROTHER IN PICTURE FILM**

H. B. Robb, manager of the Lyric theatre in San Angelo, had the surprise of his life a few days ago while he was watching the exhibition of an animated weekly news film in his theatre.

The scene depicted was a street parade in Paris, France, and sitting happily on one of the decorated motor trucks in the parade Mr. Robb saw his brother, J. Y. Robb, formerly of San Angelo. The theatre manager clipped from the film that portion showing his brother and retained it in his possession, sending the film away minus just that much of the personal interest feature of the production.—Brownwood Bulletin.

Sheriff Perkins returned Friday from San Antonio, where he went to take an army deserter.

Mrs. A. J. Voelkel returned Friday from Rowena, after spending a short time there visiting relatives and friends.

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The subject of the morning sermon will be "A Search for God in the War," or "Is God a German God?" The evening service will be evangelistic.

Christian Endeavor at 6:15 p. m. We would be pleased to have you attend these services. J. H. King, D. D. Minister in charge.

**All Saints Church.**  
Service and sermon 11 a. m. Subject "The Bible: What it is, and from Whence We Get It." Service and sermon 7:15 p. m.—same subject continued. All are cordially invited. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. W. T. Allan, D. D. Priest in charge.

**Methodist Church.**  
Sunday school at 9:45. Services both morning and evening. Subject of sermon for morning, "God waiting for an answer." Evening subject, "Fighting against God." J. B. Curry, Pastor.

**First Baptist Church.**  
Sunday school 9:45. Preaching 11 a. m. Subject "Religious Pedagogy." The graduating exercises of 50 Sunday School officers and teachers will take place at night. A special program has been prepared. A cordial invitation is extended.

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## Holiday Cards for Late Shoppers.

The engravers have notified us not to accept any more orders for engraved Christmas Cards, but we have just received a nice line of plain and fancy cards for the late

Ben Hartley, representing the Southwestern Paper Co., was here Friday. The Ballinger Printing Co. is Mr. Hartley's only customer in Ballinger. He had little consolation to offer the printers in the paper situation, although the government is behind the paper mills with a prod and is attempting to find out the whys and wherefores of such high price paper.

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# LEARN TO TALK TRENCH TALK

Editors.—The following is the first of a series of articles by George Martin, United Press Staff Correspondent, on the "new trench language."

The stories will be continued daily until a complete list of words and phrases used by the men in the trenches has been covered.

Washington, Dec. 15.—If Doctor Jackson and Daniel Webster could only see their dictionary now. War is somewhat of a word-maker itself; and has sprinkled enough strange language through the world's conversation to make both those bright lights of learning lay down between A and Z and give up the alphabet.

Herewith is a list of new trench language words. Most of them came from the French originally, but what has been done to them by the British Tommy along the way is a sin. Doubtless by the time America's boys have been mingling in the scrap for a year or so this list will be obsolete. We have beginning with:

**A**  
Abri—a shelter  
Ace of the Air—a flying man who has brought down five enemy machines.

**B**  
Ak Emma—Afternoon.  
Ambulance—a field hospital.  
Anzac—Troops from Australia and New Zealand.  
Arbi—An Algerian soldier.  
Archies—Anti-aircraft guns.

**B**  
Bantam—A soldier 5 foot 5.  
Barrage—A curtain of shell-fire, of which there are variations such as Box-Barrage, Jumping-Barrage, Creeping-Barrage.  
Bilfin—French slang for Dough-boy.

Big Willie—The Kaiser.  
Billet—Soldiers' quarters.  
Billet d'Hospital—A hospital card

with a man's personal and trench history on it.

Black Maria—Big smoke screen shells.

Blesse—a wounded man.  
Blighty—An Indian word meaning "home" or "England," corrupted to apply to anything that will take a soldier away from the front, such as a wound or furlough, e. i. "I've got my blighty."

Blinde—Bomb-proof shelter.  
Blue Devils—Alpine Chasseurs.  
Boardwalk—Brush and timber over mud.

Boche—a German soldier, corrupted from the French "coche" meaning numbskull, dunderpate, a stupid.  
Body Snatchers—Snipers.

Bolshevik—Russian revolutionary anarchists.  
Boulet—French slang for a job or meal.  
Bourgeois—Russian anti-commoners.

Brancardier—French for stretcher bearer.  
Brush—a German bomb that looks like a hairbrush.  
Bully—Canned beef.

Busted—Reduction of a non-commissioned officer to the ranks.  
Busy Bertha—a 42-centimeter shell.

Note.—The remainder of this alphabetical list will appear in the Ledger from day to day until complete.—Editor.

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Lane Osteen, who had been in Waco for some time, returned home Friday.

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### YOUNG SOLDIER AND RANCHMAN ARRIVES

A fine boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Vandevanter Friday night. The news of the arrival of the young soldier has been wired to his father at Camp Bowie. Henry was here on a furlough first of the week, returning to Camp Bowie, Wednesday.

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### HOW SOCIETY IS SUSTAINED

Half of Membership Fees Provides Sufficient Funds for Administrative Purposes—Where Subscriptions Go.

Hirelings of the unspeakable Kaiser have circulated more lies with reference to the American Red Cross than any other American organization. One of these lies was to the effect that a big percentage of the millions of dollars subscribed for Red Cross work went to officials of the organization. This statement has no basis in fact whatever.

One hundred and twenty million dollars was subscribed for the Red Cross by Americans last June, and not one penny of this money has been spent for administrative work. When a membership in the Red Cross is issued, say for \$1.60 cents of this amount is sent to headquarters at Washington for the administrative fund and the remaining 50 cents is kept by the chapter which issued the membership.

#### Where the Money Goes.

Not all of the \$120,000,000 subscribed in June has been collected. Collections on Nov. 1 totaled \$79,895,255.68. Of this amount \$9,129,389.21 is being returned to Red Cross chapters for local relief work and the purchase of raw materials to be made into hospital garments and supplies. In addition to this total, appropriations from the war fund up to Nov. 1 amounted to \$40,851,259.20, of which \$26,934,416.86 was for foreign relief. These foreign relief appropriations were apportioned as follows: France, \$19,581,240.47; Belgium, \$720,601; Russia, \$1,428,040.87; Serbia, \$493,203.76; Roumania, \$1,518,398.76; Italy, \$214,000; Great Britain, \$1,060,520; miscellaneous foreign, \$112,012; Armenian and Syrian relief, \$1,800,000.

There has been apportioned for supplies, etc., for United States forces in this country, \$3,488,720; for hospital work, \$19,500; for sanitary service about cantonments, camps, \$182,500; for miscellaneous items in United States, \$108,487.60, a total for the United States army of \$4,170,216.60. Other appropriations advanced for hospital funds amounted to \$230,000. The sum of \$7,659,000 has been expended in the purchase of raw materials to be worked into hospital garments, bandages, surgical dressings, etc., by various lay workers throughout the country. As local chapters purchased this material at cost from the national organization, this sum will eventually be returned to the war fund.

#### Other German Lies.

Another lie is that American sailors are sending word to friends that they are receiving so many sweaters and other knitted garments that they are using them for mops aboard ship.

The Red Cross, through George W. Simmons of St. Louis, general manager of the Southwest District, recently appealed for all knitted garments it can possibly get. There is a pitiful shortage and winter is coming on. No matter how many knitted articles went aboard a ship, none of them would be used as mops.

Still another lie is to the effect that Mrs. Frank V. Hammer, chairman of the St. Louis Red Cross Chapter, receives \$15,000 a year for her services, and that George W. Simmons, chairman of the Southwestern District, receives \$30,000.

Both Mrs. Hammer and Simmons donate their services and pay their own traveling expenses. In addition, Simmons and Mrs. Hammer have each made large personal subscriptions to the Red Cross fund.

Yarn for Sweaters is Free. Another baseless German lie is to the effect that the Red Cross is selling yarn to women who are knitting sweaters and mufflers for the soldiers.

The basis for this tale is a rule enforced by the Red Cross, which requires a small deposit when yarn is turned over to applicants. The deposit is refunded when the knitted garments and left-over yarn are returned.

That a sweater knit in St. Louis for the soldiers in France was sold by Red Cross workers and identified by the woman who knit it by a piece of currency sewed into the fabric is another German lie.

Heads of the Red Cross Society in St. Louis branded this as a bald fabrication. Nothing handled by the Red Cross Society is sold.

In Arcola, Ill., fond parents are buying Red Cross memberships for children of all ages, including new born babies.

## GRADUATING PROGRAM SUNDAY S. TEACHERS

Rev. R. B. Morgan has arranged for an interesting service at the First Baptist church Sunday night, at which time fifty Sunday school teachers will receive diplomas showing that they have completed the prescribed course as outlined by the Teachers Training Department of the Southern Baptist Convention at Nashville, Tenn. For the occasion the following program will be carried out:

- Song—Congregation.
- Song—Sunday School.
- Scripture Lesson—Pastor.
- Prayer—W. B. Wood.
- Sunday School Class Address—L. B. Stephens "The S. S. Opportunity."
- Class Historian—Miss Cola Barbee.
- Special Song—
- Class Essay—Mrs. E. Shepperd. "Secrets of S. S. Teaching."
- Class Phphet—Mrs. E. S. Cox.
- Song—Congregation.
- Delivery of Diplomas—R. T. Williams.
- Class Prayer—W. S. Bridwell.
- Song—School and Congregation.

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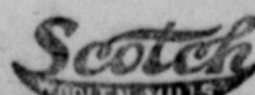
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