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PRICE FIVE CENTS

American Shells Now Falling in Metz British Bag 8,000 Huns Yesterday

CORNS

are nothing but compressed deadened flesh. Rexall Corn Salve removes corns.

WEEKS

Phone 13

SPEAKS HERE IN INTEREST S. A. T. C.

Dr. Hillsman, representing Howard Payne College, and W. L. Ellis and C. E. Boyett, representing the Brownwood Chamber of Commerce, were here Thursday afternoon in the interest of the Students Army Training Corps of Howard Payne College. Dr. Hillsman addressed a small crowd at the Queen Theatre, explaining in detail the object of the S. A. T. C. work and just what the requirements are for young men to enter that part of the army training corps.

High school graduates who have attained their eighteenth year can enter and take this training at the expense of the government and at the same time receive the same pay as a regular private in the army. Such students are not in a favored or deferred class and are subject to transfer or to be called by next June.

Men meeting the requirements after training in the S. A. T. C. will be selected for officers training or for technical work. The opportunity for young men of ability

to make good is great and many will no doubt profit by the special training, and the government will be able to create an army of efficient men by co-operating with the standard colleges.

DR. BRADFIELD WILL BECOME PASTOR AGAIN

Dallas, Sept. 18.—W. D. Bradfield, editor of the Christian Advocate, tendered his resignation today in order to re-enter the pastorate. His resignation was accepted, and A. J. Weeks, presiding elder at Stamford, Texas was named as his successor.

Dr. Bradfield was pastor of the Methodist church at Ballinger twenty-five years ago. Since then he has served city churches, including Dallas, Austin and St. Louis. For some time he has been editor of the Christian Advocate, the Methodist paper for Texas.

NOT TOO DRY FOR THE BIG CIRCUS

The Ledger is in receipt of a couple of tickets to Barnum & Bailey's Circus, which is scheduled to exhibit at Abilene on Sept. 28th. The little notice with the tickets says they will be honored when presented with a copy of the paper showing about four dollars worth of space has been used boosting the show. We are devoting our free space to other causes at this time, and until we have whipped the kaiser we can not find time to attend the circus. In fact we think it is too dry out here for such fun, and the people will be inconsistent in accepting help from the drouth relief committee and spending their money to see the elephants.

Shipping Tags and wires at The Ballinger Printing Co.

DR. KING TO PREACH AT SANTA ANNA

The drouth and war has made it necessary for many churches in the drouth stricken district to change their plans, and in quite a number of instances, permit their pastors to go to other places.

Ballinger has lost two of three pastors, and this week it was announced that Dr. J. H. King, would divide his time equally with the Eighth Street Presbyterian church and the Presbyterian church at Santa Anna.

Rev. T. W. Davidson has been pastor of the Santa Anna church for several years, serving that church on full time. He resigned recently and arrangements were at once made to secure the services of Dr. King for half of the time.

Dr. King's family will remain in Ballinger, and he will keep his boys in school here, but will devote one half of his time to the Santa Anna church. While no definite announcement has been made, it is probable that he will preach at Santa Anna on the first and third Sundays in each month, and the other two Sundays in Ballinger.

It was reported a short time ago that Dr. King would leave Ballinger, and he did have such plans under consideration, and his many friends will be glad to know that arrangements have been perfected whereby he can remain here.

HOSTESS HOUSES TO BE EXTENDED

Dallas, Sept. 19.—In anticipation of the new draft Texas women who visited their friends and relatives at the army camps in the past are exhibiting renewed interest in the personnel of the women in charge of the "Hostess Houses" maintained at the camps by Young Women's Christian Association.

Camp Travis is expected to be the largest receiving depot for drafted men in the state, although even army officers make no claim as to knowledge of the government plans. At that point, however, the Hostess Houses are maintaining their largest number of women, with Camp Bowie, at Ft. Worth, pressing it for first place.

Miss Mathilda Fairwater has been directing hostess of the house at Camp Bowie. Miss Martha Lockett of Cleburne, well known among University of Texas women, is social hostess at Bowie. Mrs. A. C. Clark is business hostess, and Miss Charlotte Spence is in charge of the cafeteria.

At Camp Travis Mrs. J. M. Ballinger is director hostess, Mrs. James Dupree is social hostess, Miss Harriett Means is information hostess, Miss Gertrude Keech is business hostess and Miss Emma Martin is in charge of the cafeteria. At Camp Stanley Mrs. Zim Lawhon is hostess in charge, the number of men at Leon Springs having decreased until a large force is no longer required at Hostess House.

ADVISORY BOARD FILLING QUESTIONS

The first lot of questionnaires mailed began to find their way back to the local board Thursday. Ten per cent, or about one hundred questionnaires, to go to the six hundred men between the ages of 19 and 36 inclusive, were mailed out Wednesday.

Judge A. K. Doss, chairman of the legal advisory board, has reorganized his workers, calling in a number of new men to help in filling out questionnaires. It is the duty of the legal advisory board to assist registrants in filling out their questionnaires, and no charges can be made for the services rendered.

As in the first big registration, certain men will be detailed to be on duty at certain hours, and registrants are at liberty to call on these men to assist them.

626 questionnaires will be mailed out within the next week, and these must all be returned to the local board properly filled out within five days.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Boren are rejoicing over the arrival of a sweet little girl baby.

Mrs. C. C. Walsh, of San Angelo stopped off Thursday at noon while en route home from the east and was the guest of Mrs. J. Y. Pearce and Mrs. J. G. Douglass.

AMERICA'S ANSWER IN TWO SENTENCES

Only two sentences were written by secretary Lansing in reply to the Austro-Hungarian peace note. Here they are:

"In reply, I beg to say that the substance of your communication has been submitted to the president, who now directs me to inform you that the government of the United States feels that there is only one reply which it can make to the suggestion of the Imperial Austro-Hungarian government. It has repeatedly and with entire candor stated the terms upon which the United States would consider peace and can and will entertain no proposal for a conference upon a matter concerning which it has made its position and purpose so plain.

"Accept, sir, the renewed assurance of my highest consideration."
(Signed)
Robert Lansing,
Secretary of State."

G. W. Dean went to San Angelo, on business Thursday.

Mrs. Wm. Drennon returned home Thursday, from a month's visit to relatives and friends at Dallas and other places.

John Reese left for Dallas, Wednesday, where he will be at work for a few weeks. He will visit his brother, Wesley at Plano while in Dallas.

With the American Army, Sept. 19.—American aviators, after making scouting tours over Metz, reports that the shells from our big guns are dropping in the center of Metz. One big factory in Metz was struck by an American shell and many direct hits scored on fortifications.

The Americans are steadily pushing their lines forward, following close up after the patrols.

London, Sept. 19.—The British advanced between Cambrai and St. Quentin paused yesterday afternoon only long enough to smash a series of heavy German counter attacks. The enemy was repulsed despite their desperate counter strokes and the British again swept forward on a wide front, capturing about eleven miles of German outposts of the Hindenburg line.

With the British Army, Sept. 19. (Noon)—The British withstood another heavy counter attack today. The enemy attempted to come back at Haverincourt, their attack being centered on that place, but the British repulsed them.

The total gain in prisoners in the counter attack yesterday and today is more than eight thousand, and more than fifty guns were taken.

London, Sept. 19.—The Bulgarians have been completely beaten in Franco-Serbian offensive, says the Serbian official announcement.

Seven additional towns and uncountable quantities of materials have been captured and total advance of twelve and a half miles made.

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A bond slacker is the Kaiser's
backer.

The more bonds you buy the fewer
boys will die.

Even the report of striking oil
made itself felt in business circles.

Many applications are being filed
for government loans on grain
planting. Rain is necessary to put
them through.

The Red Cross relief committee
will canvas for old clothes for
suffering Belgians next Wednesday.
Have your bundle ready.

Ballinger will have another
good road in to Ballinger when
Kirk gets through with the Win-
gate road, just west of the city.

If the war continues for another
year, and it will, the demand
for food will call more men from
town to the farm, and it should.

As the result of the drouth and
the war, Ballinger bids fare to be
without a picture show after this
month. No need for movie cen-
sor then.

Another victor for America
when the allies passed it up to
Mr. Wilson to answer the peace
note. The Yanks saved the life
of the allied nations, and the allies
are anxious to go with us to Berlin.
—Carry on.

KEEP CALLING FOR HELP

We have a call for skilled and
unskilled workmen for Old Hick-
ory Munition Plant, Nashville,
Tenn. To entrain here Friday
evening for Brownwood. Wages 30c
for unskilled and 60c for skilled
labor. Transportation and meals
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\$6.50 per week. This is a very ur-
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GAVE HER A CHANCE AND SHE MADE GOOD

Waco, Sept 19—It is now per-
missible to tell how the County
Judge of this county followed wo-
manly institution rather than the
law with the result that a girl is
giving valuable service in a cas-
ier's desk, instead of serving a
term in the school for "delinquent"
to paraphrase an expression fre-
quently appearing in reports from
France.

Arranged for disregarding the
property rights of others, she was
confronted with apparently un-
assailable evidence of guilt. The
judge favored sending her to the
reform school for a term. But the
Secretary of the Young Women's
Christian Association accompanied
by an assistant, attended the
trial, and plead with the judge for
a suspended sentence, which he
granted, though he admonisher his
hearers it was contrary to his best
judgement.

Aide to a new position the girl,
made good, and is now, as the se-
cretary say, hardened against
temptation, and surer of herself as
well as more intelligently and
purposefully honest than before
her humalating and dangerous ex-
perience.

Government Fixes Price of Cotton Seed at \$63 per Ton

E. A. Peden, state food admin-
istrator at Houston, has issued in-
structions "that the seed buyers
shall not pay more than \$63 per
ton for seed in wagons, nor sell
for more than \$66 per ton in ear-
load lots.

That means that no matter how
much a buyer may have paid for
seed he must not sell for more
than \$66 per ton in earload lots.
There must be no misunderstanding
among the buyers, for the law is
plain. The government fixed the
price and that price must be
adhered to."

FOUNTAIN OF YOUTH

It is not a myth, but a reality
and women may find it in per-
fect functional health. Women
who want to grow old gracefully
should guard against all organic
weakness and derangements, and
at the first symptom of each con-
dition resort to Lydia E. Pink-
ham's Vegetable Compound, na-
tures own root and herb remedy,
to restore health. For three gen-
erations women of America have
depended upon this successful
remedy and have found no other
medicine to equal it.

G. B. Morgan and wife, of Norton
were here Thursday morning to
bring their daughter, Mrs Reeves
to the train.

A TEXAS WONDER

The Texas Wonder for kidney
and bladder troubles, gravel,
cures weak and lame back, rheu-
matism, and irregularities of the
kidneys and bladder in both men
and women. If not sold by your
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is two month's treatment, and
often cures. Send for sworn tes-
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by druggist.

WANTED—RAGS—good, clean
white cotton rags wanted at the
Ledger office. Must be clean

W. C. Barrett went to Mullin,
Wednesday afternoon, to look af-
ter some stock he has on the range
near that place.

H. N. McDonald left for Hous-
ton, Wednesday, and will seek
work for a few weeks, or until it
rains here.

For a Weak Stomach

The great relief afforded by
Chamberlain's Tablets in a mul-
titude of cases has fully proven the
great value of this preparation for
a weak stomach and impaired di-
gestion. In many cases relief has
become permanent and the suffer-
ers have been completely restored
to health.

NOTHING NEW IN OIL DEVELOPMENT

Up to noon today nothing new
had developed in the drilling op-
erations at the Russell well. The
pocket of oil which was punctured
Wednesday and which was respon-
sible for considerable excitement,
has been eased off and the drill is
making its way down through the
rock.

As there was no gas in the strata
of oil which drilled into Wednes-
day it is the opinion of the drill-
ers and those familiar with oil
development, that the oil found
consisted only of seepage, and it
is possible that the drill will miss
the main flow.

However, those in charge of the
work are optimistic, and feel con-
fident that the drill is nearing
what will prove to be a big supply
with gas pressure to shoot it out of
the top of the 2000 or more foot
well.

Even the finding of oil pockets
has stimulated trafficking in leases,
and acreage which could have
been had for small rental a short
time ago have doubled and there
is considerable activity among the
traders.

IT'S AN EARTHQUAKE THAT SHAKES NO GOOD

Rome, Sept 12—The American
Red Cross in Italy is using part
of the wreckage of the 1915 earth-
quake disaster at Avezzano and
Sora to construct a badly needed
day nursery at the latter place.

No new building material being
available, the Red Cross got to
work and collected enough bricks
timber and metals from the ruins
that was once Sora, the result be-
ing that a building which will care
for 400 babies while their mothers
are attending to harvest duties is
now in operation.

It will be recalled that the earth-
quake practically wiped out Avez-
zano and Sora. The former place
received most of the help given
by Italy and the rest of the world.
Sora, the smaller town did not
get much assistance. "Nothing has
been rebuilt there, and the suffer-
ing caused by the earthquake has
been aggravated by war condi-
tions. The people have been trying
to live in the debris of their homes
and many of the are destitute.

Britain Leans to Decimal System.

The movement in England looking
toward the adoption of the decimal
system for currency, which has the
backing of the Associated Chambers
of Commerce of the United Kingdom, is
gaining ground. The London Statist
states that the association has resolved
to press the matter upon the attention
of the government and to urge the
introduction of a bill in parliament.
It is proposed to retain the sovereign
as standard value of a thousand mills,
the half sovereign 500 mills, the four
shilling piece 200 mills, the two-shilling
piece or florin 100 mills, the half
florin, commonly known as the shilling,
50 mills, and the sixpence 25 mills. Or
subsidiary coinage it is recommended
to coin ten-mill pieces and five-mill
pieces. Below these it is suggested
that a four-mill, three-mill and two-mill
piece also be coined, and if found de-
sirable a coin representing one mill.
As the farthing is so little used it is
not regarded as likely that anything
below the value of a half penny will be
coined.

The Kitchen in War Time.

The private kitchen has got to go.
It is scarcely possible to doubt that
now. With gas and fuel at their present
prices, and likely to mount steadily
higher, the great majority, as winter
advances, will certainly be driven to
living in one room. The economy ef-
fected by that simple measure will be
enormous, and it entails no very se-
rious hardship, given a satisfactory ar-
rangement of the cooking problem.
That problem could be practically
solved tomorrow by the voluntary sur-
render, even in a very limited degree,
of the domestic isolation in which the
British family lives. If every two
households agree to dine together only,
it would be more than half solved. It
is a matter in which the merits of a
voluntary system over any compulsory
arrangement are more obvious even
than usual. But if the public contin-
ues to set its face obstinately against
it, the compulsion will certainly come.
—London News.

What shall I Get for Dinner?

HOW MANY TIMES HAVE YOU ASKED YOURSELF THIS QUESTION?

Day after day, week after week, it is a problem that is continually confronting you. When you can think of nothing else, then think of a nice juicy steak or an appetizing roast. We sell them.

The Cash Meat Market

WHY NOT?

Take care of your farming implements by giving them shelter with only a small cost of material and help the government by building sheds for all stock and poultry, and save feed. Let us figure your needs and show you the small cost and the savings to you and the government. All business appreciated no matter how small.

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wants of our customers is
our business. We study it.
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a job...

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NAVY AND MARINE OPEN TO VOLUNTEERS

General Crowder issues orders Wednesday authorizing local draft boards to accept registrants for service in the navy and marine corps. The order also provides that draft boards may draft men for these branches of the service when calls for volunteers fail to fill the demands.

For some time all because of the services have been closed, and new registrants could not volunteer. This opens the way for those who are anxious to get in, and it is believed that other branches will be opened to volunteers as soon as classifications are made.

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Life Was a Misery

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TAKE

CARDUI

The Woman's Tonic

"I took four bottles," Mrs. Jones goes on to say, "and was not only greatly relieved, but can truthfully say that I have not a pain. . . ."

"It has now been two years since I took Cardui, and I am still in good health. . . . I would advise any woman or girl to use Cardui who is a sufferer from any female trouble."

If you suffer pain caused from womanly trouble, or if you feel the need of a good strengthening tonic to build up your run-down system, take the advice of Mrs. Jones. Try Cardui. It helped her. We believe it will help you.

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NO 'BRIGHT MONEY'

Mrs. Billtops Rises to Height of Self-Sacrifice.

She Had a "Good Thing" in Her Arrangement with the Partner of Her Joys and Sorrows, but Patriotism Came First.

"Something unexpected has happened," said Mr. Billtops. "Something quite unexpected."

"You know, for years I have been giving Mrs. Billtops all my bright money. Whenever I got a bright dime or quarter or half I simply turned it over to Mrs. Billtops."

"There might be weeks when I would not get a single bright coin; but there would be other weeks in which I would receive in change a considerable number. Altogether these bright coins provided for Mrs. B. a tidy bit of revenue, and I am sure it was as great a pleasure for me to turn them over to Mrs. Billtops as it was for her to receive them, though once this bright money proposition did give me a little scare."

"I dropped into a candy store one day to get some candy for Mrs. Billtops and there in change for a \$5 bill I received two bright dimes and four absolutely spick and span bright new \$1 bills!"

"Well, now, there was something to make you stop and think. Under our understanding I was to give Mrs. Billtops all 'bright money.' It is true that by that I understood bright coins, and I had no doubt that Mrs. Billtops did, too, but the promise from me was of all 'bright money' and on a strict interpretation, which I did not desire to evade, there was nothing for me to do but to turn over with the two bright dimes those four bright dollars. Which I did."

"But Mrs. Billtops declined to receive them."

"No, Ezra," she said, "no. We both understood bright money to mean bright coins, and we will go not by the letter of the contract but by the spirit. Ezra, you keep the \$4."

"Which I did, and I was always glad she settled it that way, for the opposite interpretation of my obligation might sometimes have subjected me to considerable inconvenience."

"Suppose I should some day have gone into a candy store and laid down not a \$5 bill but a \$1,000 bill and received in change \$500.20 all in bright money, which by the contract I should have been required to turn over to Mrs. Billtops. Why, I have seen the time when handing over that amount of money in that way would have cramped me quite some."

"But never have I failed to hand over all bright coins, year after year continuously, until yesterday, when that something unexpected happened when Mrs. Billtops said to me:

"Ezra, no more bright money. I have always been glad to get it for the sentiment of it and for the use I could make of it, but you need the money more now and from now on you keep it and use it as you would any other money and I will deny myself that luxury. No more bright money, Ezra, from now until the end of the war."

"Unexpected it certainly was, but still it was only what you would have expected her to do, if you knew Mrs. Billtops."

Food—After the War.

Whatever other blessings peace may bring it will not bring instant relief to the masses who are now distressed by food shortage and its natural consequence, high prices. There will be as many mouths to feed when the armies are demobilized as there are now. It is true that the fare of the soldiers in most European countries is more liberal than that of the civil population, but no statesman will take comfort in the prospect of masses of disbanded soldiers reduced to the level of civil undernourishment. And besides the civil populations that are now enduring semi-starvation uncomplainingly, recognizing that no relief can be expected while the energies of their government are engrossed by war, will be far less patient when peace returns. More food, not less, will be required in peace.—The New Republic.

Patch Skull With Patient's Own Ribs.

The replacing of destroyed portions of skull with layers of cartilage taken from the patient's own ribs is one of the latest methods of healing war injuries. H. Warren Woodroffe, surgeon of the Ulster Volunteer hospital in France, describes the method which has been successfully tried on a number of severely wounded men.

Cutting down to the ribs parallel to the breast bone, the surgeon slices off thin layers of the cartilage which attaches the bony ribs to the breast bone. These are held in the gap caused by the destruction of the skull after the scalp has been turned back. The scalp is then stitched back in place. Within a few weeks, instead of having no protection to the underlying brain,

a hard layer of cartilage, firm though slightly elastic, is formed.

These Rope-Filled Smokes. Bill—Give some men rope enough and they'll hang themselves.

Gill—Oh, I don't think it's as bad as all that.

"What do you mean by bad as all that?"

"Why, you've given me a number of those cigars you smoke and they've made me feel bad, but not bad enough to hang myself."

HIS REALIZATION OF WAR

Deprived of Loved Tobacco, Man Begins to See Grim Struggle in All Its Horror.

The man with the tall silk hat and the pin-striped trousers and the fur-collared overcoat stepped out of his limousine Monday in front of the downtown drug store, where he usually dismounts each morning to buy his day's supplies of real Havanas. He waved an airy hand at his chauffeur and squared his shoulders beneath the fur of the overcoat to the Crocker Land air. Everything was all right.

Then the man with the tall silk hat and the pin-striped trousers and the fur-collared overcoat strode on in toward the cigar counter and flung a dollar bill on the showcase. He noticed there were no lights in the humidor of the cases. Then he saw no clerks were there. Behind the drug counters he finally spied a man he knew.

"Let me have a half-dozen smokes," he said.

"Sorry, but nothin' doin' this mornin'," said the man he knew.

"Why—what's wrong here?"

"Not selling today. Fuel administration, you know."

Slowly a great lump rose in the throat of the man with the tall hat and the pin-striped trousers. Hurriedly he felt in all his pockets. Then he rushed out to see whether the auto had left for home. Then he hurried to another drug store. Then, sadly, he went to the office.

As he entered the door, the young \$20-a-week clerk took his usual stogie from his mouth and exhaled a cloud of the bitter smoke that had long made him hated by the stenographers. The man with the tall hat hurried over to him.

"For heaven's sake, Johnny, let me have a stogie, will you?"

"Sorry, boss, but this is all I got. I found this in my pocket this mornin'—left over from Sunday."

The man with the tall hat went in and sat down. He called his most rapid stenographer and began to dictate to her.

His first letter—it should have been purely about stocks and bonds—began like this:

"The American people suddenly feel the iron hand of real war is closing in upon them."—Indianapolis News.

Weekly War Story.

From one of the training camps full of Ohio soldiers comes this absolutely veracious story:

The company cook went to the commanding officer and respectfully asked when the soldiers were to be supplied with gas masks. The officer answered that he did not know. A week later, the cook again expressed his desire for a gas mask. This time, the officer happened to have a sample of the latest contrivance of this nature, which will probably be used by our soldiers in the trenches. He showed it to the cook, who immediately asked to borrow it. Inquiry revealed that the cook's idea was to put the mask on before he tackled a big job of peeling onions.

Absorbent Cotton Twice Used.

Through the ingenuity of a French chemist who was struck by the fact that in the military hospitals of Paris alone about 4,500 pounds of absorbent cotton was used daily, a process has been developed which makes it possible to use soiled cotton a second time. The first step is the removal of all grease by boiling ten or twelve hours in a soda solution, or by treating it under pressure for three hours in a sealed container filled with the same solution. After this the cotton is thoroughly washed in a machine and all the moisture removed by placing it in a high-speed centrifugal drier. Drying is followed by bleaching with hypochlorine of lime and a second washing and drying. Finally the purified product is carded, packed and again sterilized.—Popular Mechanics Magazine.

Well Rehearsed.

The Bavarians in a captured trench the moment our fellows appeared automatically put up their hands, yelled, "Mercy, kamerad," and formed up into single files for passing into the cages, relates an English soldier. A stolid Tommy, noticing the precision with which they carried out the latter movement, exclaimed, "What organizers these Fritzes are. They even practiced surrender drill."

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We keep our stock complete, and are ready to help you fight the battles of life with pure, fresh, wholesome food. We can assist you in selecting substitutes for the articles of food our Government is asking you to conserve. You are not urged to eat less, but are at liberty to eat more different kinds of food, and conserve the food that will win the war.

Miller Mercantile Co.

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We are co-operating with the Food Administration in conserving Wheat-Meat-Fats and Sugar. Don't call for more than you are allowed.

TEACH YOUR CHILD TO BE THRIFTY

Then you will never have cause to blush for it. Few parents hearts have ever ached over the misdoings of a thrifty child. Guide your boy and girl out of the path of the spendthrift. Start an account for them in our bank and teach them the importance of saving. If you follow our advice you will always be thankful.

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IT'S NOT YOUR HEART; IT'S YOUR KIDNEYS

Kidney disease is no respecter of persons. It attacks all classes, regardless of age, sex or condition. A majority of the ills afflicting people today can be traced back to the kidney trouble.

The kidneys are the most important organs of the body. They are the filterers, the purifiers, of your blood. If the poisons which are swept from the tissues by the blood are not eliminated through the kidneys, disease of one form or another will claim you a victim.

Kidney disease is usually indicated by weariness, sleeplessness, nervousness, despondency, back-ache, stomach trouble, difficulty when urinating, pains in loins and lower abdomen, gall stones, rheumatism, sciatica and lumbago.

All these derangements are nature's signals to warn you that the

kidneys need help. You should use GOLD MEDAL Haarlem Oil Capsules immediately. The soothing, healing oil stimulates the kidneys, relieves inflammation and destroys the germ which causes it. Do not wait until tomorrow. Go to your druggist today and insist on his supplying you with a box of GOLD MEDAL Haarlem Oil Capsules. In twenty-four hours you will bless the day you first heard of GOLD MEDAL Haarlem Oil.

After you feel that you have cured yourself, continue to take one or two capsules each day, so as to keep in first-class condition and ward off the danger of other attacks.

Ask for the original imported GOLD MEDAL brand. Three sizes. Money refunded if they do not help you.

OLD-FASHIONED REMEDIES

Grandmother's remedy compounded from the medicinal roots and herbs of the field are now found upon the shelves of the modern drug stores in attractive packages and are among the best sellers in prepared medicines. Prominent among them is that famous old root and herb remedy, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, which for three generations has been relieving the women of America from the worst forms of female ills and is now considered the standard remedy in its line.

Good for Biliousness

"Two years ago I suffered from frequent attacks of stomach troubles and biliousness. Seeing Chamberlain's Tablets advertised I concluded to try them. I improved rapidly."—Miss Emma Verbryke, Lima, Ohio.

Ralph Crouch, who had been at home on a short furlough, returned to the army camp at Waco, Wednesday. He was accompanied by Mrs. Crouch who will remain with him until he is called to France.

New supply National Bank Bond letter heads and envelopes, Ballinger Printing Co.

NEGRO A CURIOSITY IN COKE

Robert Lee, Sept 18—Many counties and vicinities possess their peculiarities, but probably Coke county is distinguished from every other Texas county for the reason that no negroes can be persuaded or induced to become residents within its boundary lines. A few of the race have come into the country and remained a short while, but never for very long. They invariably become discontented, and nothing can induce them to stay.

Probably the greatest length of time that a negro has sojourned here was in the summer of 1916 when Bill Coleman of San Angelo was detained in the county jail three months on the charge of bootlegging. The jail was visited daily by children wanting to get their first view of one of the race.

During the summer months of this year, when A. L. Seemmons of Dallas brought with his family a negro servant to Robert Lee, she proved a great curiosity to many of the Coke county children who had not previously seen a negro.

Mrs. M. B. Singletary returned Wednesday afternoon, from San Angelo, where she had been visiting her daughter.

653 MEN TO GET QUESTIONNAIRES

The local board is sending out 100 questionnaires per day to the men who will be classified first. Within the next week 623 men will receive questionnaires, that number of men who registered on the 12th of this month making up the quota from 19 to 36 inclusive.

Under the selective draft law all men between 19 and 36 years of age will be classified first, and men of this age placed in class one will be called for service first.

These questionnaires are to be filled out and returned at once and the board will speed up the work of classifying the registrants.

The first call to be made between now and the middle of October may require some of these men, as class one in Runnels county from previous registrations is running low.

TWO BOYS GO TO CAMP MABRY

Luther Eric Harding and Arthur Earl Clark, of the Norton country, left Wednesday afternoon for Camp Mabry, where they will enter the mechanical training camp and prepare for the army.

Catarrhal Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure catarrhal deafness, and that is by a constitutional remedy. Catarrhal deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result. Unless the inflammation can be reduced and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Many cases of deafness are caused by catarrh, which is an inflamed condition of the mucous surface. Hall's Catarrh Medicine gets thru the blood on the mucus surface of the system.

We will give one hundred dollars for any case of catarrhal deafness that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Medicine. Gentlemen free. All druggists, 75c.

A DOUBLE WEDDING

At the Presbyterian Manse, Wednesday afternoon, Dr. J. H. King performed the ceremony in a double wedding which united C. G. Kastor and Miss Winnie Neas, and united Russell Grimes and Miss Joie Patterson. The first named couple reside at Rowena, and Mr. Grimes lives at Winters and Miss Patterson's home is at Miles. The contracting parties were accompanied to Ballinger by friends, and drove to the Presbyterian Manse about five o'clock, where they were married and returned to their future homes.

Diarrhoea in Children

For diarrhoea in children one year old or older you will find nothing better than Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy, followed by a dose of castor oil. It should be kept at hand and given as soon as the first unnatural looseness of the bowels appears.



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have always used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and found it to be the best for coughs, colds and croup. It is pleasant to take. Both adults and children like it. My wife and I always felt safe from croup with it in the house. Chamberlain's Remedy contains no opium or other narcotic.

Miss Sunshine Compton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Compton, has gone to Austin, where she will enter the Junior High School for the ensuing school year.

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