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Bulgaria Offers Armistice--Americans Begin New Drive

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MIDNIGHT TO SEE BIG DRIVE START

Washington, Sept. 27.—America's greatest and shortest liberty loan campaign gets underway at midnight tonight. The people of the nation between that hour and midnight Oct. 19 are expected to subscribe \$6,000,000,000 to carry on the allied fight for liberty.

Throughout the nation committees of all kinds are set for the drive. Great celebrations will mark the opening, many of these starting at mid night tonight.

The loan will bear 4 1/4 per cent interest and despite its immensity it is the conviction of the government officials that it will be over subscribed.

The first liberty loan opened May 15, 1917, closing a month later. The issue was for \$2,000,000,000 the bonds bearing 3 per cent interest and running for 15 to 30 years. The bonds carried the conversion privilege, entitling the holder, if chose, to convert them into bonds of a later issue bearing a higher rate of interest. Forty and a half million subscribers from every section of the country, representing every condition, race and class of citizen, subscribed for more than \$3,000,000,000 of the bonds.

The outstanding features of the 1st liberty loan were the promptness with which it was arranged and conducted the patriotism of the newspapers, banks, corporations, organizations and people generally in working for its success.

and the heavy over subscription of more than 50 per cent. Another notable feature was that there was no interruption to the business of the country occasioned by the unprecedented demand upon its money resources.

The 2nd liberty loan opened Oct. 1, 1917, and closed Oct. 27. The bonds of this issue bear 4 per cent interest and run for 10 to 25 years. They carry conversion privilege. It was announced that 50 per cent of the over subscription would be taken. Nine million subscribers subscribed to \$4,617,523,000 of the bonds, an over subscription of 54 per cent. Only \$3,808,766,150 of the bonds were allotted.

Labor and fraternal organizations were especially alive in this campaign, and the women of the country did efficient organized work which greatly contributed to the success of the loan. Men in the army and navy worked and subscribed liberally to the loan.

The 3rd liberty loan campaign opened April 6, 1918, one year after our entrance into the war, and closed May 4. The bonds of this issue bear 4 per cent interest and run for 10 years, are not subject to redemption prior to maturity, and carry no conversion privilege. The loan was announced for \$3,000,000,000 but the right was reserved to accept all additional subscriptions. Seventeen million subscribers \$4,170,650, all of which was allotted.

A great feature of this loan was its very wide distribution among the people and the fact that the country districts promptly and heavily subscribed to the loan, in a great measure making up their quotas earlier than the cities. Sec. McAdoo pronounced this loan the soundest of national financing.

A little over a year ago there were some 300,000 United States bond holders; there are now somewhere between 20,000,000 and 25,000,000. Awakened patriotism has made the American people a saving people and a bond holding people.

Mrs. J. Y. Pearce returned from San Angelo, Thursday, where she had been on a short visit.

FALSE OIL RUMORS THICK AND FAST

A good dose of oil will knock out some of that excited expectancy that has been rampant here for the past week or ten days.

Affidivits will not be necessary to convince the public of the bringing in of the first gusher. When the oil begins to gush the world will know it.

Rumors that the well on the Russell ranch was gushing spread like wild fire Friday morning, and people were called from their beds to answer the telephone and receive the "glad news." The report had it that the oil was gushing twenty feet high, while more conservative spreaders of the glad news stated that it was only bubbling out the top of the hole.

Several of the speculators who are watching the development like a poultry raiser watches a setting hen on the 21st day, cranked up and rushed to the scene of drilling.

Here are the facts, as authentically given The Ledger: A continual increase in gas pressure, and also an increase in oil, caused the drillers to decide to close down some time during Thursday night and suspend operation until the boiler could be set back further away from the well. This announcement caused some one to start the report that the oil was gushing from the well, and the report spread fast.

Direct communication with the well today stated that the boiler was being moved from near the well to prevent fire in case the wind should shift around and blow the gas towards the boiler, and in case a gusher should come in.

The gas pressure has been rapidly increasing for the past week, and further oil encountered, and prospects for a good well are promising.

Ed Eubanks, one of the head men on the job stated today that drilling would be resumed as soon as the boiler could be moved back, and this task will probably be completed by night.

Mrs. M. Sansom returned to her home at Fort Worth Thursday, after a visit with her daughter, Mrs. W. O. Schultz, on the Schultz ranch in Concho county. Mrs. Schultz accompanied her mother home for a visit.

GOVERNOR HOBBY APPEALS TO TEXANS

Austin, Sept. 27.—Upon the eve of the opening of the Fourth Liberty Loan, Gov. Hobby today issued an appeal to the citizens of Texas to rally to the support of the 200,000 brave men who have left their homes and firesides in this state and responded to the call of their country. Following is his message to the people of Texas:

"Approximately 200,000 men have gone from Texas into the various branches of the United States army and navy. These men must be fed and clothed and supplied with the necessary equipment for carrying forward to a successful culmination the task to which they have dedicated themselves, their lives and fortunes.

"The work of maintaining an army of 200,000 men is stupendous task, and the cost is in proportion. As an individual, as private, non-commissioned or commissioned officer, the American soldier cost approximately annually per capita \$2000.

"On this computation of about \$2000, it will cost Texas \$400,000,000 annually to maintain her army of 200,000 men not including the cost of guns and ammunition. Nothing less is expected of Texas.

"In his report to the House appropriation committee, General March said, 'there are now about 3,200,000 men under arms.' Sixteen per cent of this number came from the Lone Star State. To the everlasting glory of a big state that does big things, it can be said that Texas did her duty by her country in giving her man power to this big cause for which our country went to war. And her task of meeting the gigantic cause of feeding, clothing and maintaining this high representation of the greatest commonwealth in the world, will be accomplished with the same spirit of readiness with which she raised and sent into training and across the seas her army of 200,000 men and with which she meets all big situations.

The message sent back to this country by the boys which are now in the thick of the fight is this, 'can do your fighting to a victorious finish, if the folks back home are willing to 'stand the gaff.'

Texas is going to 'stand the gaff.' She has never admitted defeat. Conditions on the Western section of the state have been deplorable by reason of an unprecedented drought. The answer to an appeal of the drought sufferers was spontaneous throughout the state. And just as Texas arose to a situation that demanded the immediate financial assistance to citizens within the confines of the state, so will she lend the necessary backing for these boys 200,000 strong, who have uncomplainingly, cheerfully and with a smile on their lips shouldered the responsibility of this war, which is your war and my war, as well as theirs.

I appeal to the patriot and to the honor of Texas, do your part by these boys who are fighting for you, 'stand the gaff' and back them up to your last dollar, in order that they may soon return to us, having fought a good fight to a victorious end."

Buford Walker, son of E. B. Walker of the Hatchel community left for Bastrop county, Thursday, where he goes to accept work for a few months.

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London, Sept. 27.—Bulgaria has offered an armistice, it was announced in dispatches received here today from Copenhagen. The dispatches state that official reports from Berlin say that the Bulgarian Premier, Malinoff had proposed an armistice to the Entente allies. Malinoff's truce proposal is unsupported by other members of the cabinet or by the Czar Fredinland.

With the British, Sept. 27.—The British launched an attack at dawn this morning in the direction of Cambrai, smashed forward on a thirteen mile front, penetrating more than three miles at some points. The British advanced over a strip of the Hindenburg line seven miles wide, including five miles of the Canal Dunord, sweeping over the old Hindenburg line and capturing many prisoners.

London, Sept. 27.—The Serbian advance in Macedonia has reached a total depth of seventy-five miles a Serb communication say.

With the Americans, (First Army) Sept. 27.—The second offensive of the American First army, commanded by Gen. Pershing has swept the Germans seven miles behind the Hindenburg line on a twenty mile front. The drive extends from the Meuse westward to the Argonne forest.

LIEUTENANT HAWKINS HERE ON VISIT

Lieut. Wallace Hawkins, son of W. P. Hawkins, of Winters, was a visitor to Ballinger Friday. Capt. Hawkins was at home on a few days furlough. He has been at Fort Sill for the past four months after serving for a year at Columbus, N. M. He is anxious to see France and get in to the fight. Lieut. Hawkins was representing this county in the Texas legislature when he resigned and entered the first officers training camp at Leon Springs, where he received his commission.

Frank Kre came in from Boston, Thursday, and is spending a few days with his father, Theo. Kre. Frank has been doing service on the U. S. S. Rhode Island for his Uncle Sam, and he will return to the navy in two or three days.

WHICH?

A cold for two weeks or Weeks' Cold Tablets for "Two-Bits"

WEEKS

Cold Tablets

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USING THE ROAD DRAG

It is refreshing in traveling over the highways of the Southwest to pass over portions of the road kept up with drags. The only sad feature is that these places are far too few. The road overseer that has the cooperation of those living near the road are extremely fortunate. Where each farmer has a road drag and keeps up that portion of the road passing his farm it is a very easy matter for the county officials to do the rest.

It is not enough to build roads and designate highways. They must be maintained or disintegration which is continually at work will destroy them. Where there is sufficient public interest and private selfishness—among neighbors to keep drags and drag the road after each rain maintenance is by no means expensive.

The problem of labor to keep up roads is difficult of solution since so many hands have entered the training camps. We find that roads are already showing neglect as a result. Why not enlist every farmer in the good roads army, equip him with a split-log drag and thus keep up our roads?

The roads are a necessity in meeting our obligations incident to winning the war. We cannot expect public funds alone to keep up the roads. They have been inadequate in time of peace. They will be less efficient in time of war. Let every citizen help by contributing his drag.—Farm & Ranch.

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—Miss HAZEL CHUBBUCK, Pottersville, Penn.

Thousands of women drag along from day to day in just such a miserable condition as was Mrs. Chubbuck, or suffering from displacements, irregularities, inflammation, ulceration, backache, headache, nervousness, or "the blues."

Such women should profit by Mrs. Chubbuck's experience and try this famous root and herb remedy, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and find relief from their sufferings as she did.

For special suggestions in regard to your ailment write Lydia E. Pinkham, Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass. The benefit of its long experience is at your service.

BROWNWOOD GETS FIRST GAS WELL

At the depth of 570 feet a strong flow of gas was struck in the well on the Ramsey farm yesterday. This well is about five and one-half miles southwest of town. Parties visiting the well say that it is the strongest flow of gas ever found in this section.

Attempts were made to drill the well deeper, but on account of the heavy pressure of gas it was impossible to do so. The well after a few hours, time showed some signs of oil and late last night began producing some oil. So far it has not been ascertained just what the well will produce, though experienced men say that it is a good well and will likely produce considerable oil.

This well belongs to T. E. Babione of Taylor, Texas, and he reports that the well is making a million feet of gas. Drilling has been resumed today despite the fact that the gas pressure is so great that a great amount of shale is being thrown from the well.

There is no water in this well. It now seems that Brownwood is sure of natural gas as this well is so near town. Even if the well only holds its own it is a good one, but present indications seem to show that this amount will be greatly increased. The well is the only one in that section and owing to this fact, it is causing much excitement.—Brownwood Bulletin.

Let us order your Rubber Stamps. The Ballinger Printing

Miss Lola Lewis, of Tahoka, is visiting in Runnels County, being the guest of her sister, Mrs. Davis, of Hatchel.

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 mucous 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. Circulars free. All druggist, 75c.

BIG DRAFT CALL INDEFINITELY PUT OFF

The local board received notice Friday from Provost Marshal Gen. Crowder, indefinitely postponing the big draft call for October 7th.

This call was for 8000 men from Texas, and Runnels County had been notified to furnish 45 men. The board was arranging to call the men to fill this quota when they received notice postponing same.

Washington, Sept. 26.—Because of the epidemic of Spanish influenza in army camps, Provost Marshal General Crowder tonight cancelled calls for the entrainment between Oct 7 and 11 of 142,000 draft registrants.

During the twenty-four hours ending at noon today 6,139 new cases of influenza in army camps had been reported to the office of the surgeon general of the army. One hundred and seventy deaths resulting chiefly from pneumonia following influenza, and 723 new cases of pneumonia also were reported.

Two camps, Kearney, California, and Eustis, Va. were added today to the list of those where influenza has made its appearance, leaving only thirteen camps free from the disease. The total number of cases of influenza in all camps was placed at 35,146 with 3,036 cases of pneumonia. One out of every four men at Camp Devens, Mass. contracted influenza, it was announced, and ten per cent of the cases have developed pneumonia.

A TEXAS WONDER

The Texas Wonder for kidney and bladder troubles, gravel, cures weak and lame back, rheumatism, and irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1.25. One small bottle is two month's treatment, and often cures. Send for sworn testimonials. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggist.

WILL LEAVE FOR TRAINING CAMP

Six men from the local cavalry have been selected to attend the training camp for non-commissioned officers, and transportation is expected to be received in time for these to leave here Saturday afternoon. Those selected are Bill Sharp, Hobart Nicholson, John Hash, August Deloach, Jim Leuch and Bob James. They will go to Camp Stanley at Leon Springs.

SUGAR AFFIDAVITS.

Mr. Merchant, we are prepared to furnish you sugar certificates to be used in selling sugar for preserving purposes. We have the blanks printed and can supply you in any size quantity. The food rules require that you use these in selling sugar for canning and preserving purposes.

D. E. Moody came back from San Angelo, Friday, where he had been on business.

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.

Henry Clark and wife were here from Wingate Friday, coming in to visit Mrs. Clark's mother, Mrs. W. F. McKnown, and attending to some business.

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SEVEN WAR WORK RELIEF AGENCIES JOIN IN DRIVE

Recognized Great Organizations Representing All Creeds and Elements Welded Into One.

\$170,500,000 IS THE GOAL.

Plan of War Department to Avoid Waste of Energy and Duplication of Effort Enthusiastically Adopted and Unity is Achieved.

WHAT GENERAL PERSHING NEEDS

"Give me nine men who have a hut and I will have a more effective fighting force than if I had ten men without it."

—General Pershing.

On November 11 the American people will start a one week's drive to raise the largest amount of money ever given outright by any people in the history of the world.

The drive will be a new thing under the sun. For the first time Protestants, Catholics and Jews, forgetting all their differences, will line up shoulder to shoulder, welding their individual organizations together in their common devotion to the boys in the cantonments and over there. This amalgamation of the seven great agencies engaged in war work is one of the fine developments which have been brought about by the war and under the wise guidance of President Wilson.

The seven organizations which together will make this united appeal are the Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A., National Catholic War Council and K. of C., the Jewish Welfare Board, the War Camp Community Service, the American Library Association and the Salvation Army. Each of them will need funds this Fall; each had planned a separate campaign for support. Now, acting on the suggestion of the President's letter of September 5, the seven campaigns will be rolled into one. The American people will be spared the burden of seven separate appeals, and the nation will have an opportunity to demonstrate splendidly that men and women of all creeds at home can work together, as men of all creeds over there are fighting and dying together.

Dr. John R. Mott, whom President Wilson has spoken of as one of the ablest and most useful men of his generation, has been selected Director General of the drive. It is interesting to note that Dr. Mott's name was placed in nomination by John G. Azar of the National Catholic War Council and seconded by Mortimer L. Schiff of the Jewish Welfare Board. The general committee having the campaign in charge contains such well known names as Raymond B. Foedick, Chairman of the Commission on Training Camp Activities; George W. Perkins, Chairman of the Finance Committee of the U. S. Steel Corporation; James F. Phelan of Hornblower and Weeks; Honorable Myron T. Herrick, former ambassador to France; Cleveland H. Dodge, George Gordon Battle, Mrs. Henry P. Davison and Frank A. Vanderlip, president of the National City Bank.

In every city, county and town the campaign will be in charge of the biggest men of the community.

Together these seven organizations represent a work that is staggering in its proportions. They have more than 15,000 uniformed workers, standing shoulder to shoulder with the boys every step of the way from home to the front line trenches. They operate more than 3,000 buildings and ship 500 tons of supplies to the boys in France every week. Fifteen miles of film are sent for the other side each week under their direction, and the regular weekly attendance of soldiers and sailors at their motion picture shows is more than 2,500,000. The Bibles furnished to the boys since the war broke out would, if piled one on another, make a pile more than twenty miles high.

"Morale," said Napoleon, "is as other factors in war as three to one." By which he meant that one man who is

better than three men who are discouraged and homesick. It is the business of these seven great agencies to help maintain morale. They are keeping up the fine fighting edge of our boys and by their ministrations, helping to put added power into our army and navy and so hasten the hour of victory when they will bring our boys home again.

It is predicted by national leaders that this great victory drive will "go over the top" in a larger way than any campaign that has preceded it.

ANAEMIA AND POOR BLOOD

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Drewville, N. H.—"My daughter was anaemic, had poor blood and suffered from indigestion and bilious attacks. As Vinol had built up my son some time ago, I gave it to my daughter,—she soon improved in health, and it has built her up and restored her health.—Mrs. N. Burrell.

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LEFT FOR SAN ANTONIO

Mr. and Mrs. Conda Wylie, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Currie left this morning overlaid in Mr. Currie's car for San Antonio, to spend a few days. Mr. Wylie will drive his car back, which was stolen some weeks ago and has been undergoing repairs since it was wrecked by the thief who stole it.

Mr. and Mrs. Currie will go to Corpus Christi before returning and spend a few days by the side of the sea and enjoy the bathing season before it closes.

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FOR SALE—Case 10-20 H. P. Tractor complete, with sixty foot belt and a John Deere gang plow, good as new, at a bargain. See A. E. Neie on the Ogle farm, six miles southwest of Ballinger. d&w Itp
John McNeill and family were here from Winters Friday, shopping. Mr. McNeill stated that he had not brought his family here on a trading expedition for some time, and though they would run down and see what the town had to offer. They were in their Buick six.

Good for Billiousness
"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.

Calling Cards, engraved and printed at The Ballinger Printing Co.

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

ELEMENTARY HYGINE CLASS READY FOR WORK

Mrs. C. R. Stephens announces that the books have arrived and the instructor is due here by the end of the week and the class will hold its first meeting next Monday afternoon at the Library at 4:15. Every member of the class is requested to be present at this meeting, and those who can not come should notify Mrs. Stephens, as there are others on the substitute list who are ready to take the places of those who can not take the study.

Judge Will Hare, of Temple, and Judge Baumer, of Belton, are here this week looking after court matters. They are associated with Judge A. K. Doss council for defense in the Elms murder case which is scheduled for Monday October 16th.

WHAT'S YOUR MESSAGE TO THESE BOYS?

The 950 of them who have left Runnels County these boys you knew, these boys who left your own town, your neighbor's home, maybe, to fight in blood and dirt that you may be secure.

What are you going to say to them?

And what are you going to say to their mothers and fathers, your friends and neighbors, who are giving flesh of their flesh bone of their bone to stand between you and the German fiends that threaten you?

What are you going to say to them?

When the boys heard the call, "Your Country needs you" they did not begin to argue about crop or trade conditions; not one of them said, "I can't afford to go." They gave up home, loved ones, income and wages, went into hard training, braved submarines, lived in trenches, and when the time came they went against those Germans and covered themselves with a glory that has added a new lustre to the American name and flag.

They did not do it complainingly grudgingly, as though they were doing someone a favor. No! They went with a smile, they marched with a song on their lips, they bled with a grin, and some—God rest their souls—died like heroes.

Friends and neighbors! Can't you see that we have to support these boys of Runnels County, these boys of OURS, even if we have to starve ourselves to do it?

Argument about this Liberty Loan business is out of the question. Our very sense of decency alone compels us to lend to the uttermost dollar.

For us to talk about our dollars as though they were sacred, when the boys of Runnels County are giving their flesh and blood, is impossible.

We are to be pitied that we can do so little—let us at least do that little gladly.

Let us lend as the boys of Runnels County have given.

FAMILY LIKES THEIR NEW HOME, BUT THE DOG DON'T

In moving from one location to another it frequently happens that there is dissatisfaction by some or all members of the family, but in the case of Mrs. J. H. Pipp, it seems that all the family like their new home in Fort Worth, but the dog, Old Prince, does not as he arrived in Ballinger, Thursday morning and from his appearance it seems that he made the trip afoot, as he showed up at the home of U. E. Hartman's seeming not the worse for the long trip.

Clarence Harter was here from the Wingate country, Friday.

J. W. Huffhines and Jess Elms, of Winters were transacting business in Ballinger Friday.

Thomas C. Hall is here from Temple. Mr. Hall is enthusiastic over the oil prospects in this county.

W. O. Jolly was here from Winters, Friday.

W. H. Rodgers, D. E. Bartlett, C. Kornegay and Dr. Sanders came down from Winters Friday to size up the oil boom.

Cool bills are a large part of your living expense—reduce them by using Cole's Hot Blast Heaters.

Notice to Contractors.

The commissioners court of Runnels County, Texas, will receive bids on the 15th day of October, 1918, at 2 o'clock, p. m. for the erection and construction of a concrete dam or causeway, at the Ferguson Crossing on the Colorado River, 8 miles above the town of Ballinger. Bids to be made according to plans and specifications on file in the office of the County Clerk of Runnels County and accompanied by a certified check for 5 per cent of the amount of bid offered.

O. L. Parish, County Judge Runnels County Texas 20 and 27.

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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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WHAT DO YOU THINK I OUGHT TO DO?

Thousands of times this question has been asked by people really anxious to find out how much money they ought to invest in Liberty Bonds.

Ask the question of a dozen friends and you will receive a dozen varying answers.

Here is an honest attempt to give a clear-cut answer to the question.

General Pershing's soldiers are allowed enough to wear, enough to eat, and a few dollars weekly to spend on tobacco and little necessities—the balance of their earning power is devoted as a gift to the Government.

Here Is Your Standard

In the matter of saving for the Liberty Loan your standard has been set. These men who are making if need be the supreme sacrifice for you, for our country and for humanity, have established a clean-cut standard. They have a right to believe that you will allow yourself enough money to purchase the bare necessities of life, and conduct business essential to the war, devoting the balance of your earning power to your Country in the form of subscriptions to Liberty Loans.

A man who gives up salary or income in order to fight for you and yours has the right to expect that you will at least

Lend As He Has Given

The man who endures without complaint the heartache of parting from those he loves, has the right to expect that you will at least sacrifice and save, even to the point of discomfort, in order to supply him with fighting necessities.

It calls for some courage. It means working at some productive essential industry harder than ever before, and the giving up of every luxury. But will you not do these things and do them cheerfully, in order to place at the disposal of our fighting men the very substantial sum you will save by adopting such a course? You will gain mentally, morally, financially.

What MUST I Do?

The yearly income of all the people in this country is estimated at fifty billion dollars.

It has been made clear that twenty-four billion dollars must be raised for war purposes during the next twelve months.

It follows that nearly half of our national income must be set aside for the payment of taxes, and subscriptions to Government loans.

Nothing short of the heroic measures of economy and saving called for by the Government will avail—measures such as our soldiers have adopted in their complete surrender of self to the cause of winning the war.

The man of moderate income will have to give or lend to the Government in the form of taxes or subscriptions to Government Loans, about one-third of his income during the next twelve months. Of course, the larger the income, the greater the percentage that must be lent or given. One-third of their income is the share of the average family. Many will be called upon to do far more.

In mathematical calculations then is to be found the answer to the question "What MUST I Do?", but in the example of our fighting men is to be found our standard, our inspiration and our guide, and the answer to the question "What Do You Think I Ought To Do?"

Let us store in our hearts the words of our President:

"The shadows that now lie dark upon our path will soon be dispelled, and we shall walk with the light all about us if we live but true to ourselves."

Your standard has been set. Be true to that standard. Keep faith with your country, your soldiers, and with yourself.

BUY LIBERTY BONDS TO YOUR UTMOST.

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OIL PROSPECTORS RETURN

Carl Nance and Edwin Skinner returned at noon today from Ranger where they went the early part of last week to prospect for oil, and from the lank and hungry appearance of the boys as they alighted from the A. & S. noon train today, one would judge that prospecting was rather slow with them.

On being approached by the reporter the boys were reicent about telling their experiences, but on being pressed it was finally learned that the boys could get no accommodations whatever and were forced to sleep under a big oak tree with their arms for a pillow, and fabulous prices were charged for food, such as \$1.00 for a piece of pie, and \$1.25 for a ham sandwich, and as the boys were not expecting such high prices

they ran short of money before long an surely experienced some hungry hours before returning back to their "dads" roof. The boys had been informed that plenty of work at fabulous wages could be had but on arriving they found several men to every job, and they had to tramp from place to place to find the other fellow had "copped" the job.

The boys say the dust and dirt is knee deep up there and it has the appearance of a big show day in a town like Ballinger, except that there is no place to rest when you are tired.

It has ever been thus from childhood's happy hours, that when one tries to find the "pot of gold" at the end of the rainbow they are doomed to disappointment.

Each of the boys have promised

to submit an article in a few days telling their real experience while on the trip, which will no doubt, be looked forward to with much interest by the reading public.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

This is not only one of the best and most efficient medicines for coughs, colds croup and whooping cough, but is also pleasant to take which is important when a medicine must be given to children. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has been in use for many years and has met with much favor wherever its good qualities have become known. Many mothers have given it their unqualified endorsement. Wm. Serugy, Chillicothe, Mo., writes, I have raised three children, 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.

ATTENDS WAR FUND MEET

Scott H. Maek returned Friday night from Dallas and Austin. Mr. Maek went to Dallas to attend a meeting of county chairmen of the religious war work fund. He says that it had been expected that 500 men would be present at the meeting, representing every part of the state, but that there were 800 present, and the meeting was an enthusiastic one.

Under the new plan a campaign will be launched following the close of the Liberty Loan campaign in which a fund will be raised by all the religious organizations represented in the cantonment, and this fund will be proportioned out according to the activities being carried on by each different organizations. The Y. M. C. A., the Y. W. C. A., the Knights of Columbus, Jewish organization, etc., will all participate in the campaign and each will get their prorata part of the fund raised.

Mr. Maek says that after hearing the plan discussed and after understanding it, that he is thoroughly in accord with it, and feels that all the people will be in favor of the plan when they understand it.

Mr. Maek reports that the meeting was addressed by prominent church workers, including both protestants, catholics and Jews. Returning by Austin Mr. Maek spent the night with his son Bailey and Calvin Kirk, who are in the S. A. T. C. at the State University.

NEW CALOMEL IS WHOLLY DELIGHTFUL

Calotabs, the new harmless and nauseless calomel, may now be obtained at almost any good drug store. As a liver-cleanser and system purifier the new Calotabs are even more effective than the old style calomel, yet there is not the slightest danger, nausea nor unpleasantness.

One Calotab at bedtime with a swallow of water, that's all. Next morning you awake feeling fine with a hearty appetite for breakfast. Eat what you please, fruits, acids or anything. There is not the slightest danger nor interference with your work. Calotabs are sold only in original, sealed packages, price thirty-five cents. Your druggist will refund your money if you are not delighted—he recommends them. (Adv.)

A baby boy arrived at the home of Lieut. and Mrs. A. J. Thorp, Thursday. Lieut Thorp is at Leon Springs, but was notified of the arrival of his new heir. The mother and babe are both getting along nicely.

J. E. Fowler had business in San Angelo, Thursday, returning home Friday.

Notice of 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 before the return day hereof, in a newspaper of general circulation, which has been continuously and regularly published for a period not less than one year in said Runnels County, a copy of the following notice:

STATE OF TEXAS,

To all persons interested in the estate of Mrs. Maggie Shaffer, deceased, notice is hereby given that J. W. Powell, filed an application in the County Court of Runnels County, on the 26, day of Sept 1918, for Letter of Administration upon the estate of said Mrs. Maggie Shaffer, deceased, which said application will be heard by said Court on the 4th day of November, 1918, 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 decide to do so.

Herein fail not, but have you before said Court on the first day of the next term thereof, this Writ with you return thereon, showing how you have executed same.

Witness my hand and official seal, at Ballinger, Texas this 26th, day of Sept. 1918.

W. C. McCarver, Clerk
County Court Runnels
County Texas D 27 Oct. 4

Mr. Gambell, the Plain Price Store man of Winters, and Frank Flynt, Winters postmaster, were here bright and early Friday morning on business.

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To-Night

BLUE BIRD

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Ruth Clifford

in

Fires of Youth

GOOD CLOTHES FOR BELGIUM PEOPLE

There were about fifteen hundred garments, including many pairs of shoes, gathered together here this week and made ready for shipment to the Belgium relief committee. The clothing consisted of garments for men, women and children, including clothing for little tots and children of all ages. Many good clothing were included in the lot, there being new clothing. Some one sent a box to the Library containing brand new clothing, underwear, etc. If every community does as well as Ballinger did, the Belgium people will be well fixed for clothing for some time to come.

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