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American Soldiers Now Face Great Big Task

Admiral Wilson's Statement Tells the Whole Story

The following cablegram was received today from Roy W. Howard, president of the United Press, filed from Brest, France.

"Admiral Wilson's statement tells the whole story. The admiral gave me personally and a Brest paper a bulletin stating that the armistice had been signed, etc. Upon the admiral's assurance that the information was official and fully authenticated, I filed verbatim copy of his bulletin in the regular manner at the Brest post-office (French postoffices are also the telegraph offices) for the French censors. I learned yesterday that in the excitement due to the newspapers announcing the armistice my message did not reach the censors until after the text had been cabled to New York. "I am personally convinced that Admiral Wilson was assured that his bulletin was official and that he acted in absolute good faith. I do not know who was responsible for the admiral's misinformation. My own part was that merely of a newspaperman, at the end of a cable, receiving from the base commander what I was assured and had every reason to believe, was an official announcement of the armistice. I made use of supposedly official information only after requesting and receiving special permission.

"While the demonstrations were at their highest I learned that French Officers at Brest questioned the accuracy of the announcement. I immediately sought Admiral Wilson and found that he had received word that his original bulletin was unofficial and unconfirmable. I immediately sent an urgent cablegram of correction to New York, which should have reached there in time for the afternoon papers but un-

fortunately this cablegram was delayed for hours.

"The United Press (the original cable bulletin) was cabled from Brest directly to New York. The message contained both Simms' signature and mine, the former because of our collect privileges (the right to file messages' tolls collect rest in Simms' name). The double signature caused confusion in New York, causing the erroneous impression that the matter had been filed in Paris. Neither Simms nor the Paris office participated.

"I have received cablegrams indicating that interested parties are endeavoring to capitalize the incident whereof the United Press was a victim. "Serve notice that every action of the United Press is a matter of official record. Our hands are absolutely clean. All officials directly concerned have completely absolved the United Press of responsibility.

"I will take any step necessary to protect our reputation at home."

CIVIC LEAGUE IS KEEPING UP WORK

The announcement is made by the president of the worthy organization that the Civic League will meet Wednesday afternoon at four o'clock with Mrs. Sim Cottele. This body of busy workers have been doing their part in war work; in fact they are leaders in war work, but they have not allowed matters of so great importance to safety of lives through perfect sanitary conditions to go neglected. The civic work must be kept up, and all those interested and especially the members of the local organization, are urged to be present at the meeting tomorrow.

\$1600 FOR SOLDIERS UP TO NOON TODAY

Have you "Kicked in" with that liberal offering for the United War Work Fund, or have you been celebrating victory without thinking of the comfort of the boys who made it possible?

Two days of the campaign have reeled off, and the committee has

Washington, Nov. 12.—America and the allies are now facing the great problem of rebellion in Germany and a spread of Bolshevism throughout Europe.

President Wilson, in an address delivered today, carried a direct appeal to the German people to strive hard to quickly gain control and work out of the present situation a new government that would stand for permanent peace and freedom.

Copenhagen, Nov. 12.—With the revolution spirit spreading throughout Europe, a general strike will be called in Vienna tomorrow, it was learned here through reliable sources today.

Paris, Nov. 12.—Unconfirmed dispatches received here from Germany announce that German soldiers arrested the former German Crown Prince as he attempted to cross the frontier in leaving Germany, and shot him. On account of the confusion caused over the defeat of the Germans, details and confirmation are impossible at this time.

London, Nov. 12.—The former German Crown Prince is reported to have been shot, according to an Amsterdam dispatch to the Central News. Details are lacking

worked faithfully, and have met with splendid success. Up to noon Tuesday they had raised \$1,600 in cash and subscriptions to show for their labor.

But, there are many of the most the subscription list, and the little buttons signifying your immunity from further solicitation, does not appear on the bosom of many.

"Those who intend to give to this cause, should not wait for the committee to come to your place of business and run you down to get your subscription. Drop by the booth and leave your subscription at the earliest possible time.

Reports from outlying districts indicates that the smaller places will come in with their quotas. Ballinger can not afford to fail.

H. W. Lynn was here from Winters Tuesday, making out questionnaires for his friends.

SOME SIGHT FOR A TEXAS BOY

Theodor A. Matthiesen writes from Jacksonville, Tenn., where he is at work in the Old Hickory Powder Plant for the government. He says: "I am working here for the government in the Du Point Powder Works and among 25,000 to 35,000 strangers day in and day out. The Ledger is a friend from home every night.

This plant called "Old Hickory Works" is certainly some powder factory. The plant turns out about 350,000 pounds of high explosive every 24 hours. It covers 1600 acres of ground, and is being enlarged. The main plant, including living quarters, eating houses, mess halls, Y. M. C. A., etc., covers a plot of ground 5x8 1-2 miles and people are constantly moving about like ants on a hill. It certainly was something new to a Texas boy."

Navy Wants Millions for Building Naval Vessels

(By United Press)

Washington, Nov. 12.—Indicating a determination to go ahead with the great naval program as outlined for war activities, the navy board today asked congress for six hundred million dollars for

building naval vessels.

The order issued yesterday cancelling the calls for men did not include a cancellation of recruiting for the navy and marines, and these branches of the army will be strengthened.

War Ended at Eleventh Hour of the Eleventh Day of the Eleventh Month

London, Nov. 12.—After the armistice became effective, the Belgians moved forward and occupied Gent, according to dispatches.

Fighting on the battle fronts ended at 6 o'clock Monday morning, eastern time in the United States. The armies of the allies forces at that time—even to the second—were hard harrying the enemy.

The British troops were fighting their foes across the Belgian frontier in Belgium. The French had all but cleared the Germans from northern France. The Americans were driving northward up the Meuse and Moselle rivers, threatening the enemy with capitulation by envelopment.

The hostilities ended on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month of 1918. The American infantrymen, in true sportsman like fashion, kept the time. Their eyes were on their wrist watches as they advanced in the Meuse and Moselle sectors.

They were to fire at the cessation of hostilities arrived one whit less exact in their manship were the American infantrymen behind the lines.

They waited for the second the calling off of the fighting then loosed their big guns as a parting salute to the foe.

FOUR TRAINS GO OFF NEXT SUNDAY

This city will lose one half of its passenger trains beginning next Sunday. What has been expected and put in rumor for some time will become a reality with the announcement of new schedule the last of this week.

The Santa Fe train going east on the present schedule at 9:35 will be discontinued. The Santa Fe train going west about midnight on the present schedule, will be discontinued.

The A. & S. train leaving here at 6:30 a. m. on the present schedule will be discontinued. The A. & S. train arriving here from the north at 6:45 p. m. on the present schedule will be discontinued.

The Santa Fe train arriving here at 12:39 p. m. on the present schedule, will arrive earlier, perhaps about forty-five minutes, the exact time not having been officially announced.

The Santa Fe train going east at 4:20 will probably maintain the present schedule.

This order becomes effective next Sunday and gives this city one passenger train each way daily on the two railroads operating in to this city, and will materially affect our mail service.

Mrs. Mary B. Shatp received a telegram from her daughter, Miss Idras, who is in the employ of the government at Washington, stating that she had influenza and pneumonia in the right side. The telegram stated that the doctor felt that the worst was over, but that Miss Idras would be in bed for at least ten days.

Mr. and Mrs. Coy Drennan are at home to a baby girl, arriving Tuesday morning.

J. W. E. Meadows, who is looking after work at Winters for the local gin company, went out on the delayed A. & S. Tuesday morning.

SCHOOL CHILDREN IN PEACE R

Several hundred school children marched to town from the campus Monday afternoon and took part in the peace demonstration held at four o'clock on the streets of this city. The several hundred school children swelled the large crowd and added to the occasion with their patriotic songs lead by Mrs. W. A. Bridwell, one of the teachers.

Early afternoon Will Dunlap gave the signal for the people to make glad when he began firing anvils. The roaring anvils could be heard every few minutes until about five o'clock.

At four o'clock, following the singing of patriotic songs by the school children, the crowd stood for a half hour and listened to Judge A. K. Doss as he told of the achievement of our armies and the downfall of the arch enemy of all that stands for peace and democratic freedom. Judge Doss read the bulletin bringing the good news of the signing of the armistice, and bulletins telling of the flight of the kaiser and his house of royal murderers from their country. This announcement was responded to with great cheering by the large crowd and the roaring of guns. Judge Doss was enthusiastically cheered as he told of the great victory made possible by the American soldiers.

Scott H. Mack, chairman of the United War Work Fund, campaign, made a brief appeal to the people to subscribe to the campaign and help to put the country over the top in this most worthy work.

The peace demonstration was an informal affair and without any set program, but it afforded an opportunity for the hearts overflowing with joy to be made glad.

W. O. Schultz, stockman and oil developer of Concho county had business in Ballinger Tuesday.

M. T. Brown, at one time a furniture merchant in Ballinger, was here from Brownwood Tuesday.

What Do You Think Is My Share?

By BRUCE BARTON

He is a conscientious gentleman, who honestly wants to do right. And he came to me shaking his head.

"I want to do my full part in this United War Work Campaign," he said. "Do you think a hundred dollars is my share?"

And I told him that it would be hard for anyone but himself to decide. "There are so many different ways of looking at money," I said.

A hundred and seventy millions looks big at first glance. It is forty times what Jefferson gave for the Louisiana territory.

It's a dollar and seventy cents for every man, woman and child in the land; it's more than eight dollars and a half for every household.

"You can figure it on that basis," I told him. "On the basis of dollars and cents. Or you can figure it on the basis of boys."

"Of boys?" he questioned. "I do not understand."

It's less than fifteen cents a day for each of our soldiers and sailors," I answered. "Fifteen cents a day to give them warmth and comfort and entertainment, and lectures, and games, and the thought of mother and of God."

"Fifteen cents a day for a boy; two for a quarter a day. How many boys will you take?"

And his eyes kindled. "I think I could take ten at least," he said. He drew his check book out.

"Figure it out and tell me the price," he said. "I want you to give them the best you've got. What is it going to cost?"

"—for ten boys, for a year, at two for a quarter a day?"

So I figured it out for him: suppose you figure it out for yourself.

XMAS CARDS

for the soldiers "over there" must be sent soon.

WEEKS

We sell them

In these days of conservation we all try to make a dollar go a long way.

When we buy shoes we want them to give us long wear. And when we buy clothes we like to have them last a reasonable time.

The same with your car. New cars are scarce anyway, and you want the old car to give you maximum value.

There is one sure way to do this and that is to take proper care of the car.

This means that you should keep a careful eye on it and remedy every little trouble before it gets big. A doctor can do a lot of good in one call if he called soon enough.

We show you what we find, and you can act accordingly to your own judgement.

Drive in any time.

Complete Srock of U. S., Racine and Republic Tires.

See us for anything for the Auto.

BALLINGER AUTO CO.

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Opposite C. H. L.

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Thanksgiving 1918 should be observed by every one, even those who do not usually do such things.

"Now, what will the newspapers do?" is a question put up to us today. Don't worry, brother, it is not news we need, it is advertising. The world is a big field and there is something doing to make good news all the time, and we prefer peace news.

As fighting has ceased many fathers and mothers think that their sons in France should send cablegrams notifying home folks that they are still in the land of the living. Such fathers and mothers should remember that the cables are burdened with official business and press reports and it will no doubt be several days before they can be used for private messages.

\$100 Reward, \$100

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages and that is catarrh. Catarrh being greatly influenced by constitutional conditions requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Medicine is taken internally and acts thru the blood on the Mucous Surface of the system thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors do not believe in a cure by any other means. They offer one hundred dollars as a reward to any person who can find a cure for list of testimonials. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Chicago. Sold by all druggists.

GETTING EASY TO RAISE BAN

Cases of influenza in San Angelo for the two hour period ending at noon, and the health officers of that city admit that the situation is improving and another ban will probably be lifted next Monday, school will open on that date and other public meetings permitted.

WANTED—3000 or 5000 acres of farming land in one or smaller tract. Must be soil and level. Prices must be attractive for cash. Give full description. S. B. Hayter, Nacogoches, Texas. 1td&w.

Due to a leaky boiler, the early morning A. & S. train did not get out until nearly noon Tuesday.

Ennis Shepperd was here from Winters Tuesday, serving his country as a member of the legal advisory board and assisting the registrars in filling out their questionnaires.

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 months' treatment, and often cures. Send for sworn testimonials. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggist.

NOTICE MASONS

Ballinger Masonic Lodge will meet this evening at 7 o'clock. There will be degree work. Please give your presence. C. R. Crews, Secy.

WANTED—Boy to carry Daily on route. Perfer boy with bicycle 12 dtf.

Ed Schwertner and daughter, Miss Clara of the Rowena-Miles country, were in Ballinger shopping Tuesday.

John Menzenmayor of Winters was here Tuesday, coming down with friends who had business with the local draft board.

W. T. Forbus, of Winters, was here Monday, rejoicing over the American victory.

LIVER DIDN'T ACT DIGESTION WAS BAD

Says 65 year Old Kentucky Lady, Who Tells How She Was Relieved After a Few Doses of Black-Draught.

Meadorsville, Ky.—Mrs. Cynthia Higginbotham, of this town, says: "At my age, which is 65, the liver does not act so well as when young. A few years ago, my stomach was all out of fix. I was constipated, my liver didn't act. My digestion was bad, and it took so little to upset me. My appetite was gone. I was very weak... I decided I would give Black-Draught a thorough trial as I knew it was highly recommended for this trouble. I began taking it. I felt better after a few doses. My appetite improved and I became stronger. My bowels acted naturally and the least trouble was soon righted with a few

doses of Black-Draught." Seventy years of successful use has made Thedford's Black-Draught a standard, household remedy. Every member of every family, at times, need the help that Black-Draught can give in cleansing the system and relieving the troubles that come from constipation, indigestion, lazy liver, etc. You cannot keep well unless your stomach, liver and bowels are in good working order. Keep them that way. Try Black-Draught. It acts promptly, gently and in a natural way. If you feel sluggish, take a dose tonight. You will feel fresh tomorrow. Price 25c. a package—One cent a dose All druggists. J. 69

GERMAN FATHER WRITES TO HIS SON

A Fort Worth boy in a letter to his parents written from the battle lines in France, encloses a letter he found in a dug out captured by the Americans, from a German father to his son who was in the German army. The letter is interesting in that it shows to some extent what the Germans thought of the Americans as fighters. The writer of the letter has no doubt changed his mind since writing the letter, although it was written two months ago today.

Sept. 12, 1918.
"My dear Boy: I wish to send you a few lines. Today is Thursday and it is raining outside and for a change it rains harder—just getting too much of it.

"Went to the notary public, Beer, today and took up on Fort corner a second drug store, paying 45,000 marks for the same. I get free use of the building now and still have 10,000 marks left. I shall rent part of the building. The building will rent well and I shall see that I can earn some extra money.

"Events seem not to have changed very much since you left here. No sign of peace yet, although it seems to me that it is high time for peace. The enemy banks on America but to no avail. For the suffering will only be prolonged. When one thinks of all this, anger overwhelms him, because of the American vagabonds coming over here only to prolong the war. Were it not for America, England and France would have changed their minds, but even America must have her sons brought over here only to be murdered.

"It seems to me that the world is not normal any more, however, you need not be surprised at anything nowadays.

"Well, my boy, how are you now? Hope you are well and still at you post of duty. We are well. Irma went to school today for the first time.

"Have no interesting news to tell.
"Love and kisses from all of us.
Your loving father,
"Robert Schiffer."
Berlin, Sept. 12th, 1918."

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy Do not imagine that because other cough medicines failed to give you relief that it will be the same with Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Bear in mind that from a small beginning this remedy has gained a world wide reputation and immense sale. A medicine must have exceptional merit to win esteem wherever it becomes known.

ENGRAVED CHRISTMAS CARDS

The time is short, and orders must be in early. Our samples are in keeping with the times, and the prices are the lowest possible for individual engraved cards. Call at once, or phone for the sample book. If you have your plate we can give you the regular printing price. Don't wait and then regret.

Ballinger Printing Co.

R. T. Trail, a prominent capitalist from Paint Rock, was here Tuesday.

NORTON SOLDIER DIES IN ENGLAND

His relatives at Norton received a letter from the Red Cross this week notifying them that James Morrison Steele had died from pneumonia in England.

Morris Steele was the son of F. M. Steele and the brother of Ollie Steele, postmaster at Norton. He was inducted into service through the local draft board on July 5th, of this year and went to Camp Travis. He only spent a few months in that camp and was sent across, and was in an army camp in England at the time of his death. This soldier boy was 25 years old when he registered, and a single man. He went to the defense of his country, but died from disease before reaching the battle line.

Worse Than Gas

Kidney disease is no respecter of persons. It attacks young and old alike. In most cases, the victim is warned of the approaching danger. Nature fights back. Head ache, indigestion, insomnia, lame back, lumbago, sciatica rheumatism, pains in the joints and lower abdomen, difficulty in urinating, all are indications of trouble with the kidneys.

When such symptoms appear you will almost certainly find quick relief in GOLD MEDAL Haarlem Oil Capsules.

This famous old remedy has stood the test for two hundred years in helping mankind to fight off disease. It is imported direct from the home laboratories in Holland, and may be had at almost every drug store. Your money promptly refunded if it does not relieve you. Be sure to get the genuine GOLD MEDAL Brand. In sealed packages, three sizes.

TO SHOW ARMY CAMP PICTURS

Under the auspices of the United War Work Fund Campaign Committee arrangements have been perfected for an entertainment at the Carnegie Library tonight.

For the occasion a most interesting program has been perfected. This program will include the showing of one hundred slides, scenes of army life around the army camps.

The entertainment is free and every one is urged to be present.

PROGRAM:
Opening song, America—by audience.
Invocation, Rev. E. P. Bates.
Chorus, By Primary Children.
Reading, Ethel Kemp.
Showing Slides.
Solo, Robert King.
Chorus, High School Girls.
Reading, Phillip Walker.
Solo, Miss Sharp.
Reading, Mamie Jean Hale.
Solo, Mr. Cottelle.
Showing Slides.

CHICHESTER'S PILLS THE DIAMOND BRAND. Indirect Ask your Druggist for Chichester's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold wrapper. Take no other. Buy of your Druggist. Sold by Druggists Everywhere.

YANKS HUM CHEWING IS QUITE COMICAL

Wounded Americans in overseas hospitals "are quite cheerful, even though they are short a leg or an arm, or sometimes both legs," says R. A. Hall, prominent San Angelo business man, now field representative of Red Cross hospitals abroad, in an interesting letter to Charles W. Hobbs.

"All talk about going home and the pleasure it will be to once more be in their own country," says Mr. Hall, referring to the wounded. "Yesterday was pay day and the national game of 'draw' is much in evidence."

Mr. Hall is in charge of all the Red Cross activities at the hospital where he is stationed, three miles from Tours. Movies entertain the patients. The operator, who does not speak English goes to Paris every Saturday and returns Monday with three new reels that are shown three nights during the week.

Each day Mr. Hall distributes 400 daily newspapers in the wards and also 400 magazines and other periodicals each week. He also supplies the patients who are confined to their beds with tooth paste, smoking tobacco and other comforts, all of which are supplied by the Red Cross.

On October 5, the day Mr. Hall wrote his letter, he received 1,000 packages of American chewing gum. Many of the men said it was the first they had since they left home, and every man who was able worked his jaws overtime. The sight of many men chewing gum was quite comical.—San Angelo Standard.

Sleep and Rest

One of the most common causes of insomnia and restlessness is indigestion. Take one of Chamberlain's Tablets immediately after supper and see if you do not rest better and sleep better. They only cost a quarter.

RED CROSS VOTE ON NOVEMBER 20TH

The nominating committee, composed of Mrs. C. R. Stephens, Mrs. J. M. Skinner, J. L. Chastain, U. P. Melton and R. G. Erwin, have made their report nominating a board of directors for the Runnels County Red Cross Chapter for the ensuing year. These directors are to be voted on at an election to be held by the Red Cross on Nov. 20. Following is the order for the election as issued by the secretary of the Red Cross.

"Notice is hereby given that in accordance with the rules of the American National Red Cross a nominating committee appointed by the Executive Committee of this Chapter for membership on the chapter executive committee for the ensuing year the following persons, whose names and residences appear hereafter, to wit:

- E. D. Walker, Ballinger.
- Estes Lynn, Ballinger.
- A. J. Thorp, Ballinger.
- Jno. A. Weeks, Ballinger.
- Elmer Shepperd Ballinger.
- H. O. Jones, Winters.
- Frank Lewin, Miles.
- Mrs. Theo. Schuhmann, Rowena.
- Mrs. T. J. McCaughn, Norton.
- Mrs. C. R. Stephens, Ballinger.
- Mrs. J. M. Skinner, Ballinger.

"Any other nomination may be made within seven days in writing by a letter addressed to the undersigned secretary of this chapter and signed by ten or more members in good standing of any Branch or Auxiliary within the chapter jurisdiction. Such names will then appear on the formal ballot along with the names above selected by the nominating committee.

The eleven candidates who shall receive the highest number of all votes cast shall be declared elected to membership on the Chapter Executive Committee.
American Red Cross, Runnels County Chapter, Mrs. R. G. Erwin, Secy.

This is the time of all times when you should send a Christmas card. It is a remembrance that is worth while and you can reach more of your friends this way. See our samples now. Ballinger Printing Company.

The 1918 Christmas cards are the best ever. See them at The Ledger office. Orders must be in early for engraving.

CASTORIA For Infants and Children. Mothers Know That Genuine Castoria Always Bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. Hatcher In Use For Over Thirty Years CASTORIA. Net Contents 15 Fluid Ounces. 900 DROPS. ALCOHOL—3 PER CENT. Vegetable Preparation for Assimilating the Food by Regulating the Stomach and Bowels of INFANTS & CHILDREN. Thereby Promoting Digestion, Cheerfulness and Rest. Contains neither Opium, Morphine nor Mineral. NOT NARCOTIC. A Helpful Remedy for Constipation and Diarrhoea and Feverishness and LOSS OF SLEEP resulting therefrom in Infancy. THE CENTRAL COMPANY, NEW YORK CITY.

NORTON LADY DIES IN ARIZONA

The remains of Mrs. Hortense Clinger, wife of Earl C. Clinger, was buried at Norton last Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Clinger died in Mesa, Ariz., where the family were making their home temporarily, presumably from pneumonia, on November 6th. She is survived by her husband and several children, and several relatives in this county.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinger went to Arizona last fall. Mrs. Clinger was thirty-five years old and was in the best of health when she left Runnels county.

Deceased was the daughter of J. C. Thaxton, deceased, her father dying at his home in the Maverick country less than a year ago. She spent practically all her life in the Maverick-Norton country, where her father was one of the pioneer settlers. She was well known in that section of the county and had many friends in Ballinger and throughout the county.

STATEMENT of Condition. THE... FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BALLINGER OF BALLINGER Nov. 1, 1918. RESOURCES: Loans and Discounts \$332,208.12 U. S. Bonds 26,500.00 U. S. Treasury Certificates 25,000.00 Liberty Loan Bonds 30,000.00 War Savings and Thrift Stamps 1,598.20 Banking House, F. and F. 25,000.00 Stock Federal Reserve Bank 3,900.00 Acceptances (cotton) 7,476.27 Cash and Exchange 150,513.09 \$602,195.68 LIABILITIES: Capital Stock \$100,000.00 Surplus and Undivided Profits 59,951.95 Circulation 25,000.00 Reserved for Taxes 1,500.00 Bills Payable NONE Deposits 415,743.73 \$602,195.68 The above statement is correct. R. G. Erwin, Cashier. We desire to thank our many friends and customers for all business entrusted to us, making it possible for us to render this most satisfactory statement.

HOW TO FIGHT Spanish Influenza

B. Dry, L. W. Bowers, Avoid crowds, coughs and cowers, but fear neither germs nor Germans! Keep the system in good order, take plenty of exercise in the fresh air and practice cleanliness. Remember a clean mouth, a clean skin and clean bowels are a protecting armour against disease. To keep the liver and bowels regular and to carry away the poisons within, it is best to take a vegetable pill every other day made of May-apple, aloes, jalap, and sugar coated, to be had at most drug stores, known as Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. If there is a sudden onset of what appears like a hard cold, one should go to bed, wrap warm, take a hot mustard foot-bath and drink copiously of hot lemonade. If pains develop in head or back, ask the druggist for Anurie (anti-uric) tablets. These will flush the bladder and kidneys and carry off poisonous germs. To control the pains and aches take one Anurie tablet every two hours with frequent drinks of lemonade. The pneumonia appears in a most treacherous way, when the influenza victim is apparently recovering and anxious to leave his bed. In recovering from a bad attack of influenza or pneumonia the system should be built up with a good herbal tonic, such as Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery made without alcohol from the root and barks of American forest trees, or his Ironie (iron-ionic) tablets, which can be obtained at most drug stores, or send 10c. to Dr. Pierce's Invalid's Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y., for trial package. adv

Geo. Priedecker, of Miles was here early Monday morning on business and made our office a pleasant call. Mr. Priedecker says he has not missed a copy of the Ledger in a long time and does not want to miss a copy.

Rev. L. C. Ewing, of Brownwood was here Monday, having been to Paint Rock to preach for the Presbyterians at that place. Mr. Ewing was one of the pioneer pastors of the Presbyterian church at Ballinger.

About Croup

If your children are subject to croup, or if you have reason to fear their being attacked by that disease, you should procure a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and study the directions for use, so that in case of an attack you will know exactly what course to pursue. This is a favorite and very successful remedy for croup, and it is important that you observe the directions carefully.

A. G. Roberts was here Monday, having business with the local draft board.

QUEEN

Everybody's happy, When the circus comes to town; Get your tickets ready. Come see the funny clowns.

And the bewitching little actress, Enid Bennett, in the biggest and best show on earth. At the Queen Theatre tonight, at 7:15 o'clock.

Come early and avoid the rush. Admission - 11c and 17c

Money to Loan on Farm Lands

I represent a strong and liberal loan company. See me about new or renewal loans.

Estes Lynn
Hall Hardware Co., Building

HERE'S THE TERMS GERMAN OFFERED US

When Germany thought that her army had won the world war there was much speculation in that country as to the terms of settlement. One of the statements that were made public was that of Count Roon, a member of the Prussian upper house and a pan-German junker, made on July 1, 1918. His idea of a settlement with the allies included:

Germany is entitled to the following terms because of its strength, and until they are realized there should be no armistice: Annexation of Belgium. Annexation of the entire Flanders coast, including Calis. Annexation of the Briey and Longwy basins and the Toul, Belfort and Verdun regions eastward.

Restitution to Germany of all her colonies, including Kiaochow.

Great Britain must cede to Germany such naval bases and coaling stations as Germany designates.

Great Britain must give Gibraltar to Spain, cede its war fleet to Germany, give Egypt and the Suez Canal to Turkey.

Greece must be re-established under former King Constantine, with frontiers as before the war.

Austria and Bulgaria will divide Serbia and Montenegro.

Great Britain, France and the United States must pay all of Germany's war cost, the indemnity being a minimum of \$45,000,000,000.

They must also agree to deliver raw material immediately.

France and Belgium must remain occupied at their expense until these conditions are carried out.

Keep these in mind when Germany asks for "a peace of justice."

ALL DRAFT ORDERS ARE CANCELLED

Rumors which kept the civilians guessing throughout the day Monday were confirmed about eight o'clock Monday night when the local draft board received orders cancelling all draft orders.

Newspapers circulated here earlier in the day reporting that draft orders would be cancelled caused some confusion, as about thirty men were being mobilized here for entrainment Tuesday. Following this newspaper, the local board received a telegram to continue the work, and the men were inducted into service and made ready to go Tuesday afternoon. They were being held under rule of the board and at the expense of the government, when about eight o'clock the orders came to release them and send no more men to the training camps until further notice.

The men were sorely disappointed, as they had made their arrangements to go, said good-by to home folks and were waiting the hour for departing. The board released them and told them to re-

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turn home. The order cancelling the call for this week, also cancels calls for physical examinations but does not stop any other feature of the draft work. The work of receiving and filling the questionnaires which have been sent out, and the sending of questionnaires to those who have not received same, and the work of classifying registrants will continue.

There was almost a universal feeling among the people that draft orders would be cancelled and the mobilizing of a larger army suddenly stopped. If the American government and her allies had a sufficient number of men under arms to whip the enemy they certainly have a sufficient number to keep her whipped until peace is finally established.

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LETTERS FROM BOYS OVER THERE

IN FRANCE, 23, September.

Dear Archie:—

It was with a source of gratification that I received your note yesterday, but a still greater pleasure was it to learn that you were attending an officers' training camp and would soon be made a commissioned officer of the army. While you yourself did not say all that, I feel confident that you will make good at the school and will win your bars. I offer my best wishes and congratulations.

I received a note the other day from the King who is located in one of the medium size towns not very far from me. He had seen some of our ambulances pass his station and he hailed the driver

of one of them ascertained where I was, sent me a note telling me all squat the road between this village now I am waiting for another letter from him. I would like to see the King but do not feel disposed to run the gauntlet of M. P.'s who squat the road between this village and Neol's Town. Clint is also in the neighborhood but I have not seen him. There are so many soldiers in this country that it is only by chance one runs across an old friend. Several of the boys who have relatives or close friends over here, however, have been real lucky in seeing whom they desired.

Our boys are doing first line duty in one of the most important sectors along the whole western front, I wish I could give you the location for then you could better appreciate what we are doing in this great war. Recently in a drive they bagged several thousand prisoners and I had my first opportunity of seeing long strings of blue-clad enemy soldiers trod down the road in the direction of the "bull pen" in the rear. That night I was at the hospital for a few hours and five German prisoners, wounded, were delivered to us for treatment, and there I had an opportunity of brushing up on my German but from the headway I made one would think I was brushing against the grain—and I guess that is right. I started out with a few words that would have done credit to anybody—I thought so at any rate—but I wound up carrying on the conversation by signs. I was thankful I had the use of my fingers and could grunt. I still believe I was doing nicely until the German prisoner got excited at the way I jesticulated. Suddenly he burst forth in all the Kaiser's speech making it difficult for me to get over the top at that time. I think that the working of the end of his mustache like a pump on a sinking battleship, as he talked must have had something to do with the confusion which reigned in my mind and which broke up a hospital tete-a-tete. As a souvenir of the conversation the visitor gave me a button off his coat which I have forwarded to my wife as a remembrance of some thing I started but couldn't finish. Otherwise I am getting along

beautifully. I wish you were over here with me. Quite frequently I wish some Ballinger boy whom I knew well in headquarters detachment with me. It would make things seem natural. As it is, however, Carl Jeanes is in Headquarters Ambulance section and he is usually right along with me. At present he is in the same building with me but Sanitary Train headquarters some times become separated from the two sections and then it is I want some one whom I knew before I came into the army.

We do not get along over here as nicely as we did in the states, but we did not come over with the intention of sitting by nice warm fires during the winter or having all the comforts of home. So we do not mind. This annoys last always and we bear that in mind. Personally I am glad I am over here.

You know Archie I claimed exemption at Ballinger just before I entered the army but I am glad that my exemption claim was disapproved and I was given a chance to come across. I would not swap places with a certain Ballinger boy whom we both know, and who is still in that town and will be the next time we hear from him, for anything in the world. How a man can stay at home and realize what is going on in this old world is more than I can understand. Those boys who claimed exemption and whose claims were granted will realize only too late the folly of their ways. Conditions are far from highly pleasing over here but they are of such a nature to make one want to stay until the war is finished. I realized I was no

on sight-seeing trip around the world when I left Camp Travis, and not like some of the boys who cursed that Camp and wanted to go somewhere, and who had heard France was a country of roses waiting for them, I had a good idea of what was in store. But I did not mind crossing over. I am very glad I came. However, if the allies keep up the stride which they set two months ago, this war will end much quicker than some of us except. Already we have Germany and Austria bellowing, making statements that are about the same as frank admissions they are beaten to a frazzle.

I enjoyed your letter and hope that I may have the opportunity of again hearing from you. I wish for you all the success in the world in your latest efforts. I trust that you will graduate from the training camp with flying colors and will arrive in France in time to give your services in the noble cause for which our country is fighting.

Best wishes for your health and success, I am,
Your friend,
ED SPILL.

R. A. Bishop, of the Winters country, was here Monday, and says grain prospects for the present are the finest kind.

Clarence, Tom and Oscar Routh, and J. W. Bigby left for Glasscock county Monday morning, where they went to round up and ship out to market cattle they have on the range in that county. The cattle will be driven to Stanton and loaded on the train and shipped to Fort Worth.

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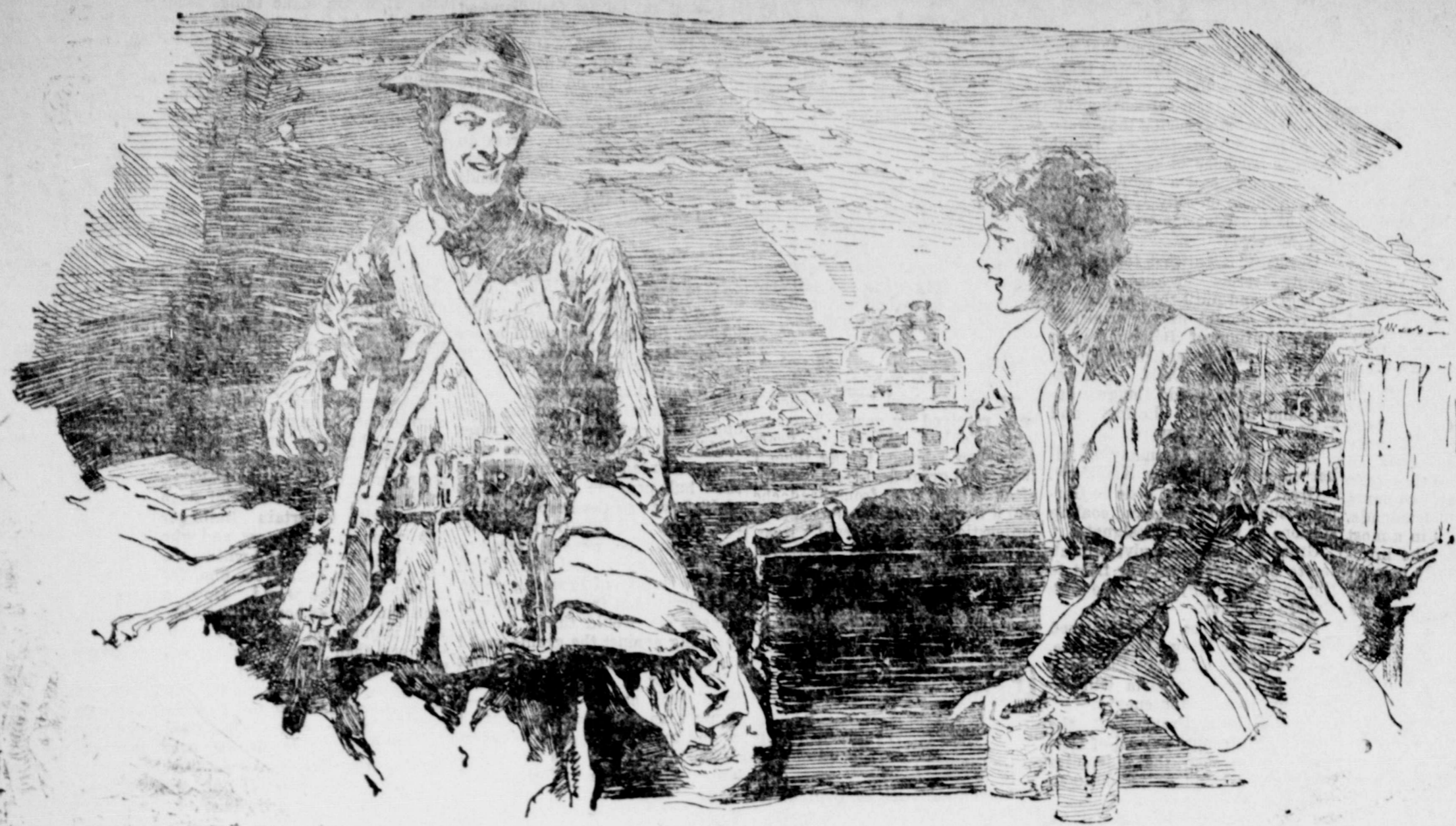
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“Gee! but it’s nice to see a girl like you!”

IT was in a hut at one of the training schools in France. He was a non-commissioned officer. He had been in France for eight months, and now was back from the front as an instructor. He hadn’t seen a girl of his own kind, a girl like his sisters, for weeks.

And there she stood behind the canteen counter in this big, roomy, comfortable hut.

He bought a bar of chocolate. Then he drifted over to the group around the piano. Presently

he went back to the canteen for a package of cigarettes. He strolled to the reading table and leafed over a magazine. Again he returned—this time for a cake of soap and some tooth-paste.

For a moment the rush at the canteen was over. He loitered at the counter and looked at the girl. She smiled. So did he. Then he blurted out what he had been trying to say for 20 minutes:

“Gee! but it’s nice to see a girl like you!”

There are girls like that all over France—in camps, in towns, in the big cities—even at the front itself. They are serving the canteens,

running restaurants, handing out hot chocolate or coffee, pies and doughnuts.

They are giving the huts a look of home—putting bright curtains at the windows, posters on the walls, making flower-gardens at the doors. They are mending for the soldiers.

But, most of all, they are *just being there!* They talk about the things that sound like home. Perhaps they know the very towns and streets and girls that these boys know.

They bind together home and France! They are the girls *beside* the men behind the guns!

Without the organizations whose uniforms they wear, these girls could accomplish nothing.

However eager to help, they could not even travel as individuals.

But with the backing of these established, recognized and regulated bodies, they can work wonders.

When you think of war as a brutalizing force, think of American womanhood working with the soldiers in this war—then give, to support the organizations which make this possible.

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Unless Americans do give twice as much as ever before, our soldiers and sailors may not enjoy during 1919 their

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