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ERNMENT FOR MANY STENOGRAPHER<br>The Civil Serviec Commission how planning a drive to make s now planning a drive to make

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Washington, Aug. 14.-Gen.
Pershing's First Field Army con
sisting of 31 Divisions, or ap-
proximately $1,250,000$ men, was
organized August 10, according
to a statement made today eneral


Texas Girls Volunteer

ike to put in some stock in the
deal. H. P. Wilkins.
d. E. Reagan.

G. F. Holland.

| WANTED-Good family to live | Armstrong if you find Dr. |
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A. A. Armstrong
in house and take care of it and $\mid$ WYPEWRITER A. Armstrong.
pick cotton. See S. F. Haynes.
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| Any one wanting to buy Mes quite beans. Call on W. P. Duckett. <br> Even if it is dry, we got hold of some mighty good eating on Wednesday evening. For fear some one will get on to our racket, we are not going to explain fully, but we got hold of a fine fat rabbit right out of the big rabbit ranch of H. T. Merritt, and when we got through with it, "there was no rine left." | VISITS MARKET <br> E. N. Brown, manager of the Brown Dry Goods Company, has just returned from market. He says he has purchased as nice asortment of the very latest lines the market affords. His confi dence in the west is unshaken, and while conditions did not war rant his laying in a full supply, as usual, yet he bought heavily and his goods are being received daily. |
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| To Improve Your Digestion <br> "For years my digestion was so poor that I could only eat the | The excuse for a four page paper again this week has |
| lightest foods. I tried every- | changed from the abssence of the Editress to the lack of rain. |
| lief, but not until about a year ago when I saw Chamberlain's | The little girl of Mrs. Milam is still very low with typhoid |
|  | fever. |
| treatment. Since taking them my digestion is fine."- Mrs. Blanche Bowers, Indiana, Pa | Mrs. Dee Coats, who was seriously ill the past.week, is much improved. |

rough draft and from plain copy
spelling; letter writing ; penman ship and arithmetic. Time conThese examinations may also be Any inquiry addressed to the United States Employment Ser
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going, will be given prompt at
TO WORK IN FACTORY

Eoff, Trent; Elery Smith, M
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Hood, Hawley; H. P Allen M

Trimble, Trent; S. R. Lawle Merkel; D. W. Bynum, Merkel; WANTED-To buy good hous Ray Douglass, Merkel; Milburn Merkel. $\qquad$ A Revival To Begin.
Elder H. C. Harper will begin
a meeting ot the North Side
church Saturday night. Every
one is cordially invited to b
present. Elder Harper is highly
recommended as an able leader.

## DENTAL NOTICE This is to inform the public that I make ispsrialty in the reatment of Pyorrhea (which

 are properly cared for, there Thave had three years of s been thoroughly convinced that bad gums are the direct cause such as stomach trouble, rheuI will be glad to consult with ny one at any time on any sub Office over Woodroof-Brags
F. N. REYNOLDS,
Miss Clara Moore is off on a
few days vacation.
Mrs. P. B. Casseaux is visit-
ing her daughter in San Antonio
Mrs. J. E. Davis of Nevada
visited Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Jones
the past week.
Mrs. John Jones of Nevada is
visiting her mother and sister,
Mesdames Jordon and Poland,
who reside near here.
Mrs. Brock of Memphis,Tenn.,
and Miss May Miller of Dallas
are visiting their sister, Mrs. W.
F. Stanford.
Mrs. E. V. White and children
of Denton are visiting her par-
ents, Mr. and Mrs. Vol Martin.
Mrs. Courtney Hunt of Has-
kell is visiting her parents, Mr.
and Mrs. G. E. Comegys, and
sister, Mrs. R. O. Anderson.
Clifford Rose, who js at work
at Baird, was a home visitor on
Sunday.
Mrs. C. L. Cash has purchas-
ed a residence on Oak street
from Dr. Armstrong.
Ira Armstrong and family
have moved to Waco, where he
has accepted a position with an
implement hose.

## implement house. Dutch Huddleston, Jim Tip

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$\qquad$should have the protection of anme to this important positionaffairs in such a business way
that the office will be handedback to you with credit to myself and with no regrats onme.

Again soliciting a further you supported me or one of my opponents on July 27th, I am most grtefully yours.
W. C. Cutrell, candidate

ALLIES MAXE SOME IMPORTANT GANS

Inamen Lassigny, on the southern French have been west and south, has been captur ed by them, the Pall Mall Gazet The reported capture took
place this morning. The news of the fall of the town has not been
officially confirmed. There was terrific fighting today on top of ing Standard reports. The Evench there were fighting thei way stubbornly forward and
this afternoon were pushing sol idly down the far side of the ele The Germans were said to be resistance and the fighting, it or two before the hill was finally

London, Aug. 13.-Every part e stationere German troop manders have all they can do to down the people by force of t has not already done so, for

Saw Chained Huns
Austin, Texas,Aug. 13.-That he "personally saw German maed together to insure their stay ing and working their gun, is ly wounded in France, in, recent to a friend here. "How human beings stand such treatment is certainly a
mystery to me," the letter said

Torpedo Boats Busy
German torpedo boats have
been doing considerable damage off the American coast, sev Effective means are being ar ranged for clearing American
waters of these perilous crafts. Reports from the front on the
14th state that the French have made extensive gains in Picardy and unconfirmed reports indi-
cate the capture of Lassigny. About 40,000 prisoners and 600

## Advertised Letters.

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Thomas, Mrs. E
These letters will be sent to August 28th letter office on Merkel, Texas.

Judge Bowyer On Exemption Borad.
Judge John Bowyer of Abilene has been appointed a mem for Taylor county to succeed Homer L. Easterwood, who re er army service within a short

Mailing Yourseif Money, Every time you stick a Thrift or War Savings Stamp on your card you are mailing money to with interest. Cashing in these stamps is going to be better than getting money from es the remainder that you contributed to the great victory pletely won.

Mrs. J. A. Adkisson of Beauont is visiting at the home of We should all remember the Salvation War Fund and do whatever is within our power to aassist in the great w

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history was being made with history was being made with th
rapidity that it is being mad today. The world is in deadly combat. Civilization hangs in the balance of the most feroc ious struggle that ever called in to play the passions of men. The news from the front is fine, but it must be remembered that so
far the allies have only pushed far the allies have only pushed
the Germans back over the terri tory they recently acquired. The war is not yet over, but days, weeks and months of the hardest fighting must ensue. We predict that the resources and vital
ity of every nation engaged will ity of every nation engaged will
be pretty well used up by time be pretty well used up by time
the mighty struggle closes. It is the mighty struggle closes. It is to co-operate to the utmost in the winning of the war.

The Counci
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Generally they have been met in a most cordial manner. A fey have spoken out, wanting know why they should help th government, as they know that the government ha
ever helped them, that the Re ever helped them, that the Red etc. In most cases the gravity of such talk has been gently brought to their attention and prac-
tically all of them have taken back what they said. Let us caution the people, if they are loya fancied intrusion. The drouth

## New aưud nullang IN

Most all our goods were bought last December,February, March, April and May.

The same goods are selling on today's market at 20 to 40 per cent higher.

Get in early on your buying, as you will pay bigger prices in November and December.

## LOCAL NEWS

P. L. MiClary of Ranger wa
a home visitor Sunday.
Plenty of fresh groceries G. M. Sharps.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Luther boy, named Lawrence DeVerle Go to Rogers where the dol-
lar buys most. lar buys most.
Mrs. Ruth Moore is visiting
at the home of her sister, Mrs. Q. Brown. J. W. Dorris of Ft. Worth is
visiting his daughter, Mrs. P. L. MeClary. Take your clothes to Mrs. C.L. Cash and have them cleaned and pressed.
Mrs. Willie Scarborough,field serpetary of the Presbyterian
orphanage at Albany, is visiting relatives and friends in Merkel.
Buy your groceries and grain from G. M. Sharp and save enough to buy war saving stamps Mrs. Nobles and daughters, Misses Tiny and Eda, of Fort Worth visited Mrs. W. D. Hutles is Mrs. Hutchesons mother Bring your fresh eggs and Bring your fresh eggs and
butter to E. L. Rogers. Best prices paid.
Wallace Bragg donated $\$ 5.00$ to the fire department for good services rendered. The department has made a couple of runs to the Bragg residence recently.
A TEXAS WONDER. The Texas Wonder cures Kidney and Bladder troubles, dis-
solves gravel, cures diabetes. solves gravel, cures diabetes,
weak and lame backs, rheumatism, and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women, regulates bladder troubles in children. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of $\$ 1$;
One small bottle is two months' One small bottle is two months'
treatment and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Send for Texas testimonials. Dr. E. W. Hall,
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## Packers' Profits -Large or Small

Packers' profits look big-
when the Federal Trade
of them earned $\$ 140,000,000$
during the three war years.
Packers' profits look small-
When it is explained that
total sales of over four and
a half billion dollars-or
only about three cents on
each dollar of sales.

This is the relation between profits and sales
Profits
Sales
If no packer profits had been earned, you could have bought your meat at only a fraction of a cent per pound cheaper?

Packers' profits on meats and animal products have been limited by the Food Administration, since November 1, 1917.

Swift \& Company, U.S. A.
 Bank, Sec. D, Great Lakes, Ill. visited their parents, Mr. and
Mrs. J. E. Costephens, the past week.
The out of town guests while the boys were at home were Mrs
G. H. Johnson and daughter. Eva Maye, Elgin Costephens,
Neva Etoile Jackson, Cora Bell De Ghajo and Ed Dodds of Roscoe, Miss Irene and Dee Donne!'l of Trent, Jack Morrison and
daughters, Fiye, Madge and Lil-
lian, Mary Pearre, Willie Hill

## Boschee's German Syrup.

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coughing and with free from toration in the morning. Mad two years. A wonderful pre scription, assisting nature i
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Summer Better Than the Weak


## LOCAL NEWS

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Don't forget the man that
buys most everything. Go to
see him when You have any
thing to sell. The first letter ofhis name is W. P. Duckett.
Mrs. J. D. Clay and little boy,
Max and Mrs. Ed Lanham andMrx, and Mrs. EEd Lanham and
little girl, Ila Mae, relatives ofMrs. C. S. Cameron from Cle-
burne, Texas are spending the
week.Miss Gladys Gardner of Dal-
las, who has been visiting her
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## YOUR FACE IS YOUR FORTUNE

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and a few children when we ar rived here, and what few


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| Office over City Barber Shop. |
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| G. W. JOHNSON |
| Insurance-Notary Public |


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