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C. E. Johnson writes HAL INSURANCE. See him

"Hooverize"

by coming to us for
your food supplies.

GET THE FRESHEST
AND BEST;
PAY CASH AND
PAY LESS.

Barnes & Hastings
CASH GROCERY CO.

RED CROSS NOTES

(Delayed from last week)

Special attention is called to the page appearing in this issue in the interest of the Red Cross. This page was gotten up by Rev. Cal C. Wright, and paid for by those whose names are signed thereto, in order that Hedley people may realize their duty in the One Hundred Million Dollar Red Cross Drive during the week of May 20 to 27. Read this page, think over it seriously (it is a very serious matter), then "Give—till the heart says stop!"

M. T. Howard, candidate for Sheriff, was a Hedley visitor last Saturday. He got here in good time to attend the Red Cross sale, and was a lively bidder, carrying away a number of the articles offered.

At the Red Cross Auction sale last Saturday, a total of \$137.05 was realized. Auctioneer Jameson of Pampa, who was expected, failed to arrive and Rev. Cal C. Wright, who is always ready to do at least three times his share, acted in that capacity. Weather was not good and the crowd was not large. The latter also seemed to be suffering from an attack

of "cold feet." Of course \$137.05 will help some, but we hope for better luck next time.

STRAYED—One bay, bald faced mare, 5 years old. Branded but don't know brand. Notify W. H. Clay, phone 41 S 2L, Hedley. Will pay all charges.

T. N. G. CAPTAIN HERE

Captain Jerry Dalton, of the Hall Collingsworth company of the new Texas National Guard, drove up from Memphis Monday, and paid this office a pleasant visit while here. He was accompanied by his daughter and three other young people.

FOR SALE—A 100 egg "Old Trusty" incubator, in good condition. \$9.00. L. A. Stroud.

C. E. Blankenship and family of Goodnight spent last Saturday and Sunday with relatives and friends here. C. E. was an appreciated caller at the Informer office. Among other things, he said that he had just finished a new bungalow home, they are very pleasantly situated, and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tims are getting along fine up there.

For White Seed Corn and Jane Corn see U. J. Boston.

ONE PASTOR LEAVES; ANOTHER IS COMING

Rev. I. W. Archer and family left Monday for their new home at Atoka, Okla. We regret very much to give up this splendid family, but trust the ultimate purpose of the move—the improving of Mrs. Archer's health—will be fully realized. The Informer will pay them weekly visits and keep them posted on Hedley happenings.

Rev. J. R. Wade, now living in Oklahoma, has accepted the pastorate of the Hedley Baptist church, and will be here on the second Sunday in June to take up the work.

The new pastor is said to be a strong preacher and a fine singer, he having been a singing evangelist before taking up pastoral work.

Rev. Mr. Wade has a wife and two children, and we shall be glad to welcome this good family to Hedley.

A few thousand Cabbage and Tomato Plants for sale. Leave orders with R. S. Smith, at the Barnes & Hastings store.
W. C. Bridges.

REGISTERED MEN, NOTICE

Calls are being made now for men qualified as locomotive engineers and firemen, railroad brakemen, flagmen, and conductors, boilermakers and helpers, gunsmiths, operatives in gun factories, instrument makers and repair men.

A CALL OF ESPECIAL INTEREST TO MEN IN THIS SECTION IS ONE FOR STOCK RAISERS. Also mule packers are wanted.

Unless we can get enough volunteers for this call, which is for June 1st, men will have to be drafted to fill the quotas.

These are excellent opportunities for young men who are energetic and ambitious. See your Local Board.

R. H. Beville, Clerk, Local Board, Donley Co., Tex.

FOR SALE—A good mare and colt. Apply to W. H. Gayle, at Woodridge lumber yard.

Miss Pearl Newman came in from Amarillo one day the past week and will remain a month or two with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Newman.

REVIVAL MEETING

The Mazarine church will begin a revival meeting here on Friday night before the first Sunday in August, conducted by Rev. J. T. Stanfield of Chico, Texas.
The Informer, \$1.00 per year.

REAL ESTATE BARGAINS

I have listed for sale 960 acres at \$8.50 per acre. Grass land.

1280 acres smooth level land, at \$20.00 per acre. Nice house, water, 400 acres in cultivation. A bargain.

R. E. NEWMAN
Hedley Texas

THRIFT LEAGUE MET LAST FRIDAY NIGHT

According to schedule, the Thrift Stamp League met at the Methodist church on last Friday evening.

The following executive committee was appointed: Mrs. J. G. McDougal, Mrs. B. W. Moreman, Mrs. Ed Dishman, Miss Era Johnson, C. E. Johnson, Van Boone and L. Spalding.

An impromptu program was rendered, after which Rev. Cal C. Wright explained just what was expected from the Thrift Stamp movement.

Friday night, May 24th, will be next meeting night—at the Baptist church.

Everybody requested to come.

Fifty bushels Cotton Seed for sale. Good seed.
26p Frank Simmons.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Adams returned last week from their vacation trip to East Texas, where they visited home folks and old friends. We're glad to see R. B. back on the job at the depot.

Have some Horses and Mules for sale. R. A. Carter, 1/2 mile west of Bray, phone 132 L 2S.

C. H. Hittson and family have been visiting in Hedley the past week, guests in the W. E. Reeves and Chas. W. Kinslow homes.

The Young Men Opportunity

There is a greater demand today than ever before for the young man who thoroughly understands the cotton business. Such as: Classing, stapling, averaging, buying, selling, shipping, exporting, keeping of gin record, merchant's cotton records, ware house records, cotton office books and other blanks necessary to the business. Representatives of the largest cotton concerns, as well as the merchants and warehouse managers, have highly indorsed our course of instructions. They say we are meeting a long felt want. Bonded warehouses alone require hundreds of young men. We have expert instructors with practical experience in every detail of the business and have installed in this department a cotton exchange board with telegraph instrument attached. Here our students are taught to read price quotations as they come in from Liverpool, New Orleans and New York markets. They are also given the ginners and Government reports on production and probable effect on prices. Nothing left undone to make our students efficient in the work. Cost of above course complete is \$25 for tuition, and \$5.00 for books and material. Time for completing is from four to six weeks, owing to the ability of the student. Students may enroll at any time. There is such a great demand for work of this kind, that we have large and enthusiastic classes throughout the year. Enter at once. You may take bookkeeping and business training. Short hand. Type writing or Telegraphy along with cotton classing if you like. Fill in blank and mail today. Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas.

Cash for Produce

We want to buy your POULTRY, EGGS, BUTTER,---ALL KINDS OF COUNTRY PRODUCE. HIGHEST CASH PRICES PAID.

We also want to supply your needs in Dry Goods and Groceries. Our prices are right.

TIMS & COOPER

Miss Beatrice Allen came down Sunday morning from Amarillo on a visit to Miss Pearl Newman. Both young ladies visited in Wellington this week.

FOR SALE—One pair of bay horses, five years old, 16 hands high, weigh 1200 pounds each. Other stock for sale. Cash or approved acts. J. K. P. Kysar.

MISSIONARY PROGRAM

Program for Sunday, May 19th:
Song 106.
Leader, Mrs. Masterson.
Prayer, by Society.
Lesson, I Cor., 13th chapter.
Reading—Tia Pool.
Solo—Tony Watkins.
Story—Frances Kendall.
Reading—Baulah Lane.
Story—Jessie Lee.
Reading—Kermet Johnson.
Piano solo—Dannie Mae Masterson.
Piano solo—Eunice Brown.
Story—Gladys Scales.
Song 39.
Lord's Prayer, by Society.
Brand new Jitney for sale. U. J. Boston.

The person who refuses to aid his country now, in any way he can, is no better than an alien enemy and deserves to be treated as such.

MISSION NOTES

Every member of the Missionary Society pays a 25c Thrift Stamp each month in dues. Every woman in the Methodist church should join this Thrift Stamp League and help those at the front of Mission ranks, at home and "Over there" for our Lord's Kingdom has no more room for "Slackers" than has Uncle Sam's.

Program for Monday, May 20:
Bible lesson, II Kings 11:1-14.
"Ask what I shall give thee."
Song: 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus.

Prayer for a deepening of the Missionary spirit.

Woman's Part in the Centenary—Mrs. Benson.
Prayer the Highest Service—Mrs. Scales.

A Pioneer for Christ in the Hermit Kingdom—Mrs. Masterson.

Methodist Students of Texas, and Their Big Missionary Drive—Mrs. Kendall.
Fruits of the Years in Korea—Mrs. Hall.

Leader, Mrs. Wimberly, Hostess, Mrs. Masterson.

J. F. Randall, one of our good friends living on Route 1, has our thanks for subscription renewed this week.

Bank Checks

ARE CLEAN, CONVENIENT AND BUSINESSLIKE

They add to your security; they form a receipt for bills paid; they obviate the necessity of carrying currency around and of making exact change; they form a written record of expenditures.

This bank offers the convenience of a checking account and of an affiliation with a modern financial institution.

The First State Bank
OF HEDLEY, TEXAS

GUARANTY FUND BANK



Doing our bit

We are going to do what we can to help Uncle Sam win this war and make the world safe from barbarism.

We are going to do all we can to help pull this country through until another crop is raised. We can't create wealth, where none was before, but we'll lend a hand wherever we can.

We are here to serve you and solicit your co-operation. It takes team work for community interests and we're going to try and be our part of the team.

Guaranty State Bank
HEDLEY, TEXAS

Name
Address
Send me free particulars on course of Cotton classing.



What Do You Know About CATTLE?
Do You Want to Know the CATTLE BUSINESS?
Drop us a post card today and get FREE INFORMATION about the New Book, "CATTLE BREEDS AND ORIGIN" also all breeds of cattle on earth.
DR. DAVID ROBERTS' VETERINARY CO., 100, WAUKESHA, WIS.

Watermelon Seed
PURE HALBERT HONEY One oz. 10c.; 1/2 lb. 60c.; 1 lb. \$1.00; 5 lbs. \$4.50; 10 lbs. \$8.00. Rubber rims for shipping or rough roads, same price.
H. A. HALBERT, Originator, Coleman, Texas

Baby in his high chair is the real autocat of the breakfast table.

Acid Stomach, Heartburn and Nausea quickly disappear with the use of Wright's Indian Vegetable Pills. Send for trial box to 272 Pearl St., New York. Adv.

Marriages, which should make one out of two, often result in sixes and sevens.

Happy is the home where Red Cross Ball Blue is used. Sure to please. All grocers. Adv.

Naturally.
"Do you remember the time when there was such a rage for red hair?"
"Oh, red hair is dyed on."

To keep clean and healthy take Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. They regulate liver, bowels and stomach.—Adv.

The Last to Use Them.
"Started your garden yet?"
"No. You see I have to wait until the neighbors get through using my garden tools."

Itching Burning Skins.
For eczemas, rashes, itching, irritations, pimples, dandruff, sore hands, and baby humors, Cuticura Soap and Ointment are supremely effective. For free samples address "Cuticura, Dept. X, Boston." At druggists and by mail. Soap 25, Ointment 25 and 50.—Adv.

Method in It.
Friend—Why do you make that patient wait two hours every day in the anteroom?
Doctor—He needs rest and that is the only way I can compel him to take it.—Boston Evening Transcript.

Fowl Play.
Sambo—Do you know that your chickens come over into my garden?
George—I thought they must be doing that.
Sambo—Why did you think so?
George—Because they never come back.—Boy's Life.

Drastic Control of Flax.
The British flax control board ordered that no flax, flax line, or flax tow may without permit be spread, carded or otherwise put into manufacture after January 12. No yarn composed wholly or partly of flax or tow may without permit be wound or warped after January 12. No yarn or flax or tow may without permit be boiled, bleached or put into any other process of treatment after January 5. All existing licenses to spin are canceled and from above dates applications for further permits will be received.

Ingenious Argument.
Billy had always wanted a dog, but as an excuse his mother told him she could not afford to feed one on account of the war. But afterward he found a stray dog so little he could carry it in his arms without any effort.

His mother met him at the door as he was bringing it home and exclaimed: "Now, Billy, I told you all about why I couldn't keep a dog. Take it back where you found it right away."

"But ma," the little fellow argued, "he's so small he can live on the crumbs I drop on the tablecloth."

Reserve is wisdom.



A Package of Grape-Nuts teaches food conservation. Saves FUEL SUGAR TIME WHEAT AND WASTE.

SOLD BY GROCERS.

TANK NOT INVENTED AS WAR MACHINE

Thousands of Tractors Now in Use on Farms in All Parts of the World

THOSE who have watched the operation of the tanks at the movies and have marvelled at the lumbering machines that crawl over the face of the earth like prehistoric monsters have gained some idea of the adaptability of the modern tank. No other armored machine that moves upon the ground is so capable of surmounting obstacles.

When the squadron of tanks appeared in the vanguard of Byng's famous drive at Cambrai, its appearance seemed providential, writes Hamilton M. Wright in the New York Sun. The armored levathans pushed through the German barbed wire entanglements as if they were so many cobwebs. They sidestepped deep pockets, stretched their long tracks over miniature chasms, dipped, rose, backed and tipped at dangerous angles as they picked their way forward amid a hail of missiles.

And yet for all its supreme adaptation to the needs of the hour the tank was not invented for war purposes. The first tanks introduced into Europe were used in lumbering operations and in heavy hauling, just as they were in the United States. Rapidly their use was extended to large agricultural works and before the present war broke out the track layers were well-known in every country in the world. Even the prosaic track layer used in farming will, if armored, make a tank for war use. Indeed during the 1917 recruiting season ordinary track layers armored with sheet iron plowed through walls almost as readily as the biggest war tanks yet built.

At the present time track layers are used in plantation work in Cuba, the Philippines, Java, Hawaii, South Africa and so on throughout the world. There are almost one hundred of them at work in Hawaii, taken there from California where the tractor flourishes. They are hauling logging trains in Maine, Montana, Wisconsin, Minnesota and Canada as efficiently as they are transporting supplies in the mining regions of the West. On the dusty roads of the Panamint range, where the steep grades wear down the spirit of the strongest mule teams and where water stations are few and far between, track layers are as valuable for freighting as they are in the heat and whirling sand clouds of the Mojave Desert.

There are at the present time about fifteen firms engaged in making tractors with the endless belt type of drive. There are between eight and ten thousand tractors of this type of all different makes now in use in the world.

Factories are now speeding the construction of these track-laying tractors for the use of the United States in the field artillery, marine corps, signal corps and other branches of the service. Armored track layers are used in hauling supplies over ground that motortrucks cannot travel on. Today manufacturers of track layers find the war orders tax their facilities to such an extent that they are not able to keep up with the commercial demand.

The advance of the tank over the earth suggests the movement of a living creature. Yet its operation is simple. The track layer lays its track down in front of the frame, rolls over it, picks it up again and repeats the process.

The track consists of a broad-gauged belt or endless chain of flat steel links, which is put in motion by large chain-supporting wheels which fit into the inside of the belt by gears. It thus resembles a belt stretched around the front and rear wheels of an automobile and presenting a flat surface on the ground.

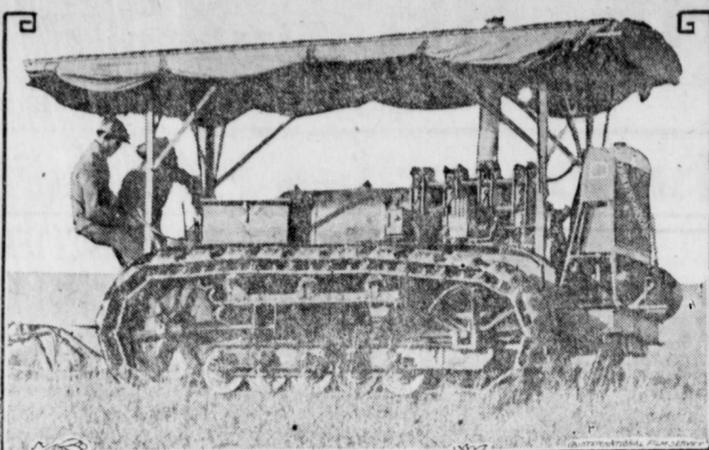
The outside of the belt is comprised of broad links known as track plates which are ridged to prevent their slipping. The inside of the belt contains the twin tracks upon which rest the rollers that support the weight of the tractor.

Nine out of ten persons who watch a tractor demonstration for the first time get the impression that the track itself is moving upon the ground. The illusion is created by the fact that the top of the belt is observed to be going forward. But the forward motion of that part of the belt is taken up by the forward motion of the car. If the car is raised from the ground and the motor set in motion the belt will be seen revolving around the supporting chain wheels. In this case the tank is absolutely at rest.

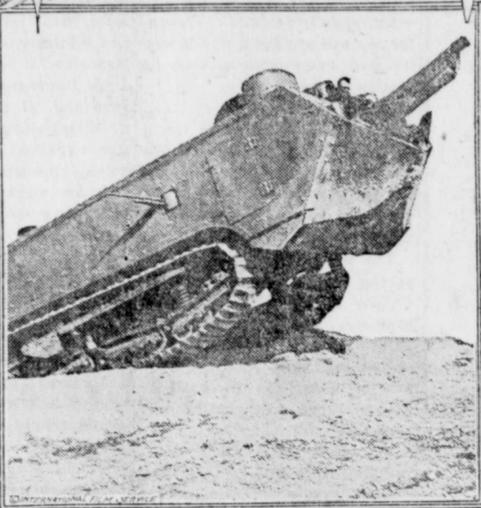
There are two belts, one on either side of the car. When the car goes straight ahead both belts revolve at even speed. But the right and left hand tracks may be operated independently.

Through the operation of clutches that correspond to those in an automobile one track may be brought to a standstill while the other track continues to move at normal speed. The tank with all its power applied on one side will make a sharp turn. If the right hand track is moving and the left is still the tank will turn to the left.

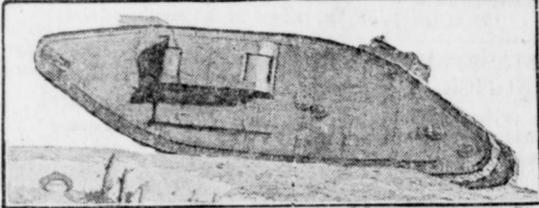
The weight of the tank is distributed along the whole length of the track. In the crumbling newly reclaimed land of the San Joaquin delta, California, track layers travel on soil that will not support the weight of a man, much less a horse. They will pass over cracks in the crumbling earth that a horse could fall into, dragging harrows over the uneven ground until all crevices are



TYPE OF TRACTOR USED ON MANY FARMS



TRACTOR CONVERTED INTO ENGINE OF WAR



MONSTER TANK OF CATERPILLAR TYPE

filled with earth and the new-made fields presents a finely mulched even surface.

The tank is not only first in war. It is first in peace. For its weight it has more pulling power than any farm machine made. It is the biggest money saver and time saver ever introduced for power purposes upon the farm. The division of agricultural engineering of the University of California has found that one man with a 45 horsepower tractor on the university farm can do the work of from three to six men with mules. Moreover, the same machine may be kept going day and night, a great advantage in California, where it is necessary to get a large amount of work done in a short time. And it requires no feed or care when not working.

For a varied illustration of what a track layer can do take the case of the L-54, a husky little 45 horsepower tractor which has been out of the shop for eighteen months. The writer watched her working and learned of her career since the day she left the factory.

She was hauling beets when I first saw her. Under the thrust of her powerful engines she went forward in a cloud of dust that hid her from all eyes but her driver's. She mounted the sides of the levee, dragging her own weight of five and one-half tons and two eleven-ton truckloads of beets as easily as if there had been no load at all.

The ground on the island is what ranchers in the delta of the San Joaquin river call peat bottom fluff. It gave under like saw logs in a mill boom as the little L-54 dragged her weight over it, hugging the ground as closely as a badger. When she had reached the top L-54 stopped a moment and the driver got his bearings. Then the gears connected with her right track, her left track remaining stationary, and she swung around from right to left on her own axis as rapidly as a lady in the fox trot.

This, however, was nothing for the L-54. She can go backward or forward, up hill or down, and can spin around all day like a dervish if her driver throws in but one clutch. Time and again she has picked her way over the peat bogs of the newly reclaimed land, skirted the edge of big cracks six or eight feet deep, backed and sidestepped and bridged miniature chasms, confident that nothing short of a cave-in of the whole earth could stop her progress and that the harrows, plows or trucks behind were bound to follow wherever she led.

L-54 is a ponderous, deliberate creature with a tremendous grip upon the earth. If covered with sheet iron and armored she could tear her way through wire entanglements as easily as Byng's tanks tore through the German defenses at Cambrai. But more than all things else she is a money saver and a man saver.

This is all in the day's work with L-54, and night's work, too. In fact her driver can remember when she worked all day and then went at it at night with an acetylene lamp, plowing up beets with a subsoil plow 16 inches deep. She has been on the job in one way or another all the time for 18 months.

She had pulled a grader holding five cubic yards of dirt to level the land for irrigation before a single acre had been put into beets. She had been lent to a farmer in the nearby foothills. He had hitched her up to a chisel-shaped subsoiler that would break the hardest ground in the district and she had subsoiled the land to a depth of 20 inches, breaking up the hard-plow pan where ten spans of horses had failed. For the first time in 25 years that land had produced 30 bushels of wheat to the acre.

When the L-54 mounted the levee with her two

loads of beets she was doing the work of ten two-horse teams. With hay at \$30 a ton, rolled barley at from \$55 to \$60 a ton and other feed proportionately high, it will keep a farmer busy to feed his work stock, let alone make a profit. The United States department of agriculture once made an estimate that it cost \$121 in feed and time to keep a horse throughout the year. The operation of L-54, which replaces 20 horses, costs as follows: Twenty-five gallons of distillate developing 20 horsepower (the work of 20 horses for ten hours), at 10 cents per gallon, \$2.50; two gallons of cylinder oil at about 55 cents a gallon, \$1.10; track oil, transmission oil and cup grease will probably go from 75 cents to \$1 a day. Total, \$4.60.

If anything in the world could stave off a threatened crisis in the world's food supply it would be the tank in agriculture. If there were a sufficient number of gasoline tractors in the United States today with men who knew how to operate them and take care of them there would be no question but that we could export to our allies every bushel of wheat they require. That is, if old Mother Nature and the weather man did not conspire to turn things topsy-turvy.

The first track layers ever manufactured and put into commercial use were very much like the track layers sent over to the Russian armies before the bolsheviks disturbed our calculations as to the course of the war. They were adapted to haul heavy loads through snow, ice, mud and slush and on uneven roads in the logging woods of Maine. They were invented by A. O. Lombard of Waterville, Me., who is, so far as is known, the inventor of the track layer. He put his first track layer in operation early in 1900 and secured a patent on it on May 21, 1901.

In the six months following our declaration that a state of war existed with Germany an average of two gas tractor companies have been incorporated each day. They are good, indifferent and bad. Some are of the stock-selling, get-rich-quick variety.

There is no way of telling how many gasoline tractors there are in use upon the farms of the United States. An expert in automobile power puts the number at 250,000.

Farm experts already foresee the day when gasoline power will be almost universal in agriculture. The war in a few months has done more to increase the demand for mechanical power on the farm than years of peace would have accomplished. The faithful horse will never leave us, but much of his hardest work will be done by gasoline, even on the smaller farms.

The Pershing Rifles.

Fifty yellow and blue badges, the insignia of the Pershing Rifles, a crack military company of the University of Nebraska, are being treasured by as many former students of that institution these days. One of them is William Green of Abilene, Kan.

"It was Pershing's own idea," says Mr. Green. "We had been picked from the military company of which he was instructor after coming from West Point to Lincoln. We met in his room one night to organize and 'The Lieut,' as we familiarly called the instructor—he was a second lieutenant then—asked what colors we wanted on our badges.

"Yellow and blue—cavalry colors."
"I have the very thing," he responded, and went to a chifonier from which he took a brand-new pair of cavalry trousers. With shears he ruthlessly cut them across, making fifty badges, each with a strip of blue and the yellow leg stripe. We called the organization the 'Pershing Rifles' and were very proud of the honor. Pershing took us on long camping trips under strict military regulations, and we felt that he was more of a father than a professor to us.

"He never forgot his boys, as he called us. The night he arrived in San Antonio to take charge of the Southwest division after the death of General Funston, I was at his hotel. Though a score of prominent men and officers were waiting to see him he recognized me and spent five minutes asking after the students and laughing over the university days.

"He was a strict disciplinarian, always wanting things done in a hurry—which makes reasonable his impatience now to get at the Germans—but intensely human. He was the one professor to whom the boys went with their troubles—and that is a good test of the human side of anybody."

Effect of Cold Weather.
"The cold weather seems to give Mrs. Flingit a livelier complexion."
"Yes," replied Miss Cayene. "I think she puts on more to keep her face warm."

A Certain Fact.
"Concerning this food shortage, it seems to be there is one argument which covers the ground."
"What is that?"
"A good wheat and corn crop."

Grip Still Hanging On?

Back aches? Stomach sensitive? A little cough? No strength? Tired easily? All after effects of this dread malady. Yes, they are catarrhal. Grip is a catarrhal disease. You can never be well as long as catarrh remains in your system, weakening your whole body with stagnant blood and unhealthy secretions.

You Need PERUNA

It's the one tonic for the after effects of grip, because it is a catarrhal treatment of proved excellence. Take it to clear away all the effects of grip, to tone the digestion, clear up the inflamed membranes, regulate the bowels, and set you on the highway to complete recovery.

Perhaps one or more of your friends have found it valuable. Thousands of people in every state have, and have told us of it. Many thousands more have been helped at critical times by this reliable family medicine.

Prepared also in tablet form for your convenience.

The Peruna Company, Columbus, Ohio



Appealing His Case.

"Tommy, you must ask the Lord to forgive you for everything you did today, including the fight you had with Bobby Smithers."

"But, ma, that wasn't wrong. He could stave off a threatened crisis in the world's food supply it would be the tank in agriculture. If there were a sufficient number of gasoline tractors in the United States today with men who knew how to operate them and take care of them there would be no question but that we could export to our allies every bushel of wheat they require. That is, if old Mother Nature and the weather man did not conspire to turn things topsy-turvy."

"That was very wicked."
"Maybe it was, but I'm goin' to wait till dad comes home an' ask him about it."

THIS IS THE AGE OF YOUTH

Strands of Gray Hair May Be Removed.

Strands of gray hair are unattractive and very unnecessary and accelerate the appearance of approaching age. Why not remove all traces of gray in the hair and possess an even shade of beautiful dark hair in bounteous quantities by the use of "La Creole" Hair Dressing? Used by thousands of people every day—everywhere—with perfect satisfaction. No one need be annoyed with gray hair—hair streaked with gray, discolored scalp or dandruff when offered such a preparation as "La Creole" Hair Dressing. Apply it freely to scalp and hair, rubbing it in well, and after a few applications you will be delightfully surprised with the results.

TRY "LA CREOLE" HAIR DRESSING for gray or faded hair and retain the appearance of youth. Used by gentlemen in every walk of life to restore an even dark color to their gray hair, beard or mustache. Sold and guaranteed by all good drug stores everywhere, or sent direct for \$1.20 by Van Viet-Mansfield Drug Co., Memphis, Tenn.—(Adv't.)

Missing From Illinois Farms.
Illinois is said to have lost 100,000 farm workers from its 200,000 farms.—Chicago News.

To Be Strong and Healthy
You must have Pure Blood. **DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS** will Purify and Refresh the Blood and Build up the Whole System. It contains the well known tonic properties of Iron and Quinine. You can feel its good effect on the blood after the first few doses. Price 60c.

Polite Reply.
"Are you trying to make a fool of me?" "No, indeed, I never attempt to improve on the works of nature."

Back Lame and Achy?

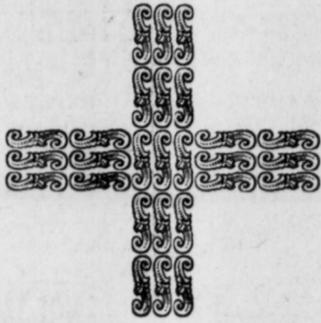
There's little peace when your kidneys are weak and while at first there may be nothing more serious than dull backache, sharp, stabbing pains, headaches, dizzy spells and kidney irregularities, you must act quickly to avoid the more serious trouble, dropsy, gravel, heart disease, Bright's disease. Use Doan's Kidney Pills, the remedy that is so warmly recommended everywhere by grateful users.

A Texas Case

Emil Kohlenberg, cabinet maker, Elm St., New Braunfels, Texas, says: "I suffered from a weak back caused by a strain. When I stooped at work sharp pains started through my kidneys. I was bothered a lot at night by the irregular action of my kidneys. I haven't suffered from these troubles since I used Doan's Kidney Pills. I know they are a good kidney medicine."

Get Doan's at Any Store, 60c a Box
DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS
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W. N. U., DALLAS, NO. 17-1918.



"A Great Net of Mercy Drawn Through
an Ocean of Unspeakable Pain"

HAVE YOU ever lain in No Man's Land, with a shattered thigh and a throat that burned with thirst.

Has your wife ever begged food for her children and herself at the mess-kitchen of a soldiers' camp?

Has your little son ever torn his mother's heart with a plaintive cry, day after day, for food she couldn't give him?

Has your little daughter, clad in a ragged dress, her *only* dress, ever shivered night after night in the ruined cellar of what was once her home?

Has your city ever been destroyed---nay, powdered, bricks, stone, timbers and all so ground into the dust that one scarce knew where street ended and building began?

It is exactly such suffering that the Red Cross is organized, here and in Europe, to relieve.

The Red Cross asks for One Hundred Million Dollars as the least it needs to carry on this work.

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HOW TO AVOID BACKACHE AND NERVOUSNESS

Told by Mrs. Lynch From Own Experience.

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Backache and nervousness are symptoms or nature's warnings, which indicate a functional disturbance or an unhealthy condition which often develops into a more serious ailment. Women in this condition should not continue to drag along without help, but profit by Mrs. Lynch's experience, and try this famous root and herb remedy, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound—and for special advice write to Lydia E. Pinkham Med. Co., Lynn, Mass.

Past Understanding.
"Do you understand the European situation?"
"No," replied Senator Sorghum. "I am inclined to think that if it could have been brought to a point where human understanding could grasp it, the fight would have been unnecessary."

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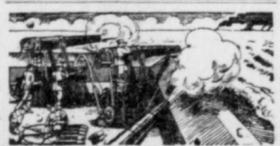


A tiny bottle of freezone costs but a few cents at any drug store, but is sufficient to remove every hard corn, soft corn, or corn between the toes, and the callouses, without soreness or irritation.

Freezone is the sensational discovery of a Cincinnati genius. It is wonderful.—Adv.

Can Be Taken Either Way.
"Imitation is the sincerest flattery."
"Not at all," replied Miss Cayenne.
"Flattery is the sincerest imitation."
Many a man's dyspepsia is due to the mistaken belief on the part of his wife that she can cook.

Foolish people allow pride to rob them of many comforts.



OUR DEFENSE

In the spring we may be attacked at any moment. Toxic poisons pile up within us after a hard winter, and we feel "run-down," tired out, blue and discouraged. This is the time to put our house in order—cleanse the system and put fresh blood into our arteries. You can obtain an alternative extract from Blood root, Golden Seal, Stone and Queen's root, Cherry bark, rolled into a sugar-coated tablet and sold by most druggists, in sixty cent vials, as Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. This blood tonic, in tablet or liquid form, is just what you need for "Spring Fever," for that lack of ambition. It will fill you full of vim, vigor and vitality.

Chilliness, when other people feel warm enough, is a sign of biliousness, or of malarial poisons—so is a furred or coated tongue, loss of appetite, headaches or giddiness, and a dull, drowsy, debilitated feeling. It's your liver that's at fault. You want to stimulate it and invigorate it with Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets.

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Smart, Cool and Neat



Here is the last word in the tailored blouse and separate skirt for utility wear and it is a very creditable last word. It isn't likely that anything better will be developed for the work-a-day outfitting of the average busy woman of today, although we may have equally good designs in both blouses and skirts for the same sort of wear. Neatness is the keynote in this kind of outfitting and it is the most potent charm of summer dressing.

The blouse is a strictly "shirtwaist" model, made of white wash-satin which proves to be very practical and desirable. It is one of the few designs with a high neck and buttons straight up the front, and collar with small white pearl buttons. The cuffs button over with a single button and the waist will look well developed in wash silk, percale and other substantial weaves in cotton.

The skirt is simply two lengths of 54-inch wool material cut to fit about the hips and without plaits. The wide,

shaped girde is pointed at the end where it buttons over a large bone button at the left of the front. Snap fasteners above and below the button hold the belt in a neat adjustment to the figure. This girde is the most popular that has appeared this season. The skirt is correct in length and width for a walking skirt, which should be in the neighborhood of two yards wide to insure freedom in walking, and reach an inch below the shoe tops for good style.

In cutting a two-piece plain skirt from wide material there is enough cut away to account for the girde and pockets are ample and original as those that are shown on the model pictured. Twice the depth of the pocket is needed for making it, one-half of this length cut into two straps that fold over the pocket and fasten down with bone buttons like that on the girde, but smaller. The straps and pockets are lined with silk of the color of the crossbar in the material. In this skirt a deep tan ground is crossed with bars of flag blue.

To Insure Becoming Hats



There are not many things that afford a woman more real satisfaction than to know that she is wearing a becoming hat, and her chances of acquiring such a valuable asset were never better than they are now. The shapes brought out this season are graceful and varied. There are almost no friskish hats, and there is a wide range of styles and considerable variation in size—in fact a hat for all types of faces. It is a good idea to give plenty of time to the selection of the right shape and to remember that trimming sometimes plays tricks upon the eye—altering the proportions of the shape apparently.

The first essential of becomingness in a hat shape lies in its proper fit. It is because the head size is too large or too small that many a pretty hat falls short of being a success on the head of its owner. When the head size is wrong all the lines are wrong; the crown too large or too small and the brim, therefore not in the right position. When this matter of first importance is taken care of the other details of color, and trimmings and style are not hard to manage.

Three hats shown here are irreplaceable in style and quality of material and workmanship. The hat at the left is a good semidress model of sand-colored crepe georgette, having its upper brim of satin-straw braid in the same color. There is an odd drape made of the braid that extends across the front and it makes a fine background for the short and beautifully

marked eagle quill that is posed against it.

The hat at the right is also of crepe georgette. It is a wide-brimmed model; one of those "halo" brims that are becoming a fixture in the millinery styles of midsummer. It is beautifully made with a balsamque finish about the edge of the brim. The trim consists of a collar, covered with narrow plaited ribbon, and small, conventional flowers of braid with stems. A hat very similar to this is covered with georgette tucked in the fashionable narrow cross tucks and finished with crepe flowers applied flat to the crown. They are hand made of the same crepe as the hat. These wide-brimmed, transparent or semitransparent hats, will make lovely headwear for the June bridesmaid and the June bride.

A hat of fine black milan faced with sand colored crepe finishes the group. It is trimmed with clusters of lacquered leaves, at each side of the front, in a bright shade of light blue. Hats are not easy to make this season. They require the work of a professional milliner.

Julie Bottomley

Plaid Gingham Collars.

Plaid gingham collars are worn on the new serge and crepe frocks. Some are tied about the neck, handkerchief fashion.

Our Part in Feeding the Nation

(Special Information Service, United States Department of Agriculture.)
ENGLAND FINDS WOMEN NEED TRAINING FOR FARMS



On Practice Farms, Sometimes Conducted at Agricultural Colleges, English Women Learn to Do Light Farm Work.

ENGLAND TO USE WOMEN ON FARMS

Attempt, Not Only to Maintain Agricultural Production, but to Increase It.

PLAN TO OBTAIN VOLUNTEERS

Must Pass Examination as to Ability to Endure Work—Labor Usually Undertaken Has Been Connected With Live Stock.

Great Britain has attempted, on account of the submarine warfare, not only to maintain her agricultural production but to increase it. To do this an active campaign was undertaken to place women on the land. This work is carried on under the direct supervision of their national board of agriculture. The organization is somewhat similar to that found in our county agent organization, there being district agents, a county community with a county organizer and local agents in every county. The functions of the local organizations are: first, to secure women land workers; second, to train them; and third, to find farms for them to work on. The work of obtaining volunteers has been carried on by means of posters, personal visits, meetings, competitions, and so on.

As soon as a woman indicates her desire to take up work on the land, she must submit to a physical examination in order that the committee may be sure that she is physically fit to endure the strain of farm work. She is also examined as to her personality, in order to determine whether she can get on with farm conditions.

Types of Practice Farms.
After she has been accepted, she is sent to one of the practice farms. These farms are of various types. In some instances they are agricultural colleges that have been turned over to the training women. In other instances, the women are gathered together in a home and sent out to the neighboring farms to be trained by experienced farm workers. In still other instances successful farmers have turned their farms over to the county organizations to be used in training women, the women living on the farm and participating in all operations. During the training period the workers are without any expense as far as their living is concerned, and are furnished with a complete outfit, consisting of boots, clogs, leggings, breeches, hat, and two pairs of overalls.

Work Undertaken.
The most usual types of agricultural labor undertaken by the workers have been those connected with live stock and intensive farming, such as growing mangel, raising calves, milking, care of live stock, etc. The period of training generally lasted four weeks. If, at the end of this time, the students showed sufficient skill, they were listed and efforts were made to place them on farms. However, before any of the women land workers were allowed to undertake farm work, the farm was inspected and suitable quarters were found for the workers. Their experience seems to show that it is impracticable to send the women out to work as individuals, but that they must be kept together. As a result of this situation, usually one member of the group becomes matron of the party and general chaperon. Another, more skilled than the rest, becomes group leader or forewoman. Although many of the workers were from the well-to-do classes, they were compelled to accept the prevailing wage in the community and were required to do as much as the regular agricultural workers for the same pay.

In order to increase the demand for women workers, and to add interest in this kind of work, competitions have been held throughout the country. The competitors were judged upon their ability to milk, kill and dress poultry, harness horses, hoe root-crops, drive a harrow, spread manure, trim a hedge, and drive a cart. Thus it is found that our English-speaking allies have increased their production under actual war conditions.

VALUABLE EXPERIENCE.

England's experience in training more than 300,000 women to help make up the deficiency in man power on her farms will be valuable to workers in this country should it become necessary under labor stringencies in certain sections to enlist women farm workers. At this time it is not apparent to officials of the United States department of agriculture that the farm labor needs will require the services of women in other than the lighter tasks to which they already are accustomed. But in order that food production plans for this year shall not fall down, the department has advised its field representatives to be prepared to encourage women to perform farm labor if the situation demands it.

Towns Can Help Farmers.

There is an opportunity now for urban people sympathetically and constructively to study the farm-labor situation and to render assistance, said David F. Houston, secretary of agriculture, in a recent statement. In many towns and cities there are men who have had farming experience, who are able-bodied and who doubtless would be willing to serve the nation in the field of agriculture at this time. Especially for the seasonal strains of planting, cultivating and harvesting, it will not be too much to ask such men to aid the farmers in the necessary undertaking of maintaining and, if possible, supplementing, the food supply in order to feed the armies and to sustain the civilian population behind them.

If it appears that the farmers of a community or region are not able to secure the necessary labor by the usual methods, then the leaders in the town or city immediately dependent upon that region should organize, establish touch with representative farm leaders, and see if they cannot assist in solving the problem. The department of agriculture and labor will render every possible aid, but each community knows its own problems, and urban people, especially business men, could co-operate effectively with the farmers and also render much assistance.

Men and Boys First!

The farmers will need human help to handle and harvest the vast acreages needed to produce enough bread for the nation and the allies. This work calls for brawn, muscle, physical endurance. Time to think of women at heavy work in the fields when there are no American men and boys to be spared from store, office or factory.

No business sense fighting and providing the things fighters must have to win battles is more important than producing enough food. Give your attention to food production on some farm. Help your employees to get out to the farms at harvest and other critical seasons.

Work Women Can Do.

Women and girls who wish to help the farms produce more food can be of immediate service in the lighter farm tasks such as fruit and berry picking, sorting and packing. They can help over-busy farm women in their household tasks, especially in preparing the large amount of food needed for harvesting crews.

Indirectly they can help the farmers with their heavy work by taking the place of their men folk who perform lighter tasks in office, store, or factory, thereby relieving these men at critical times to go out to the farms and help with the heavy work unsuited to women's physical strength.

GOVERNMENT BULLETINS

It costs you nothing to get government bulletins from the department of agriculture at Washington, giving results of experiments made by poultry experts. These bulletins contain information on all phases of poultry raising, from proper building facilities to the brooding of early hatched chicks.

YOUR SICK CHILD IS CONSTIPATED! LOOK AT TONGUE

HURRY, MOTHER! REMOVE POISONS FROM LITTLE STOMACH, LIVER, BOWELS.

GIVE "CALIFORNIA SYRUP OF FIGS" IF CROSS, BILIOUS OR FEVERISH.



No matter what ails your child, a gentle, thorough laxative should always be the first treatment given.

If your little one is out of sorts, half-sick, isn't resting, eating and acting naturally—look, Mother! see if tongue is coated. This is a sure sign that the little stomach, liver and bowels are clogged with waste. When cross, irritable, feverish, stomach sour, breath bad or has stomach-ache, diarrhea, sore throat, full of cold, give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," and in a few hours all the constipated poison, undigested food and sour bile gently moves out of the little bowels without griping, and you have a well, playful child again.

Mothers can rest easy after giving this harmless "fruit laxative," because it never fails to cleanse the little one's liver and bowels and sweeten the stomach and they dearly love its pleasant taste. Full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups printed on each bottle.

Beware of counterfeit fig syrups. Ask your druggist for a bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," then see that it is made by the "California Fig Syrup Company."—Adv.

The Point of View.

The Piano Man—How's business?
The Scissor Grinder—Fine! I've never seen things so dull.—Puck.

FOODS TASTE BETTER COOKED —TOBACCO TASTES BETTER TOASTED

Since the day of the caveman, who liked his meat raw, civilization has learned a lot about the scientific treatment of the things we eat.

Naturally none of us would now prefer to have our meat raw, our potatoes as they come from the ground, our coffee unroasted.

And naturally follows the great discovery recently made by The American Tobacco Co.—that tobacco tastes better TOASTED!

This wonderful new idea—simple like all great inventions—was first used in producing the famous LUCKY STRIKE Cigarettes—made of toasted Burley tobacco.

Burley has a mellow flavor, entirely different from the tobacco usually used for cigarettes. It is a pipe tobacco and LUCKY STRIKE Cigarettes taste like a pipe. Adv.

Father's Confession.

"I've come to ask you if you will let your daughter marry me?"
"You are not very well acquainted with her, are you, my boy?"
"Why, I think so, sir."
"I fear you are mistaken. If you knew her as well as I do, you wouldn't consider it necessary to ask me to 'let' her do anything she has made up her mind to do."

For genuine comfort and lasting pleasure use Red Cross Ball Blue on wash day. All good grocers. Adv.

The Proper Way.

"Can she do her own cooking on a pinch?"
"No; she does it on a gas stove."

Belief that there are as good fish in the sea as ever were caught is poor consolation when we've lost our bait.

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BOYS LIVE THREE MONTHS BY HUNTING

Missing Youths Are Recognized by Storekeeper When They Buy Supplies.

Topeka, Kan.—Carl Luthy and Winnett Robinson, two high school boys who disappeared from their homes, near Topeka, Kan., on November 12, 1917, and were believed to have enlisted in the United States army or navy, have been located in Solomon valley, near Cawker City. The lads have been living in the open air, trapping on the Solomon river and hunting in that section of Kansas.



Lived by Trapping.

They were discovered when they appeared at a store in Cawker City and purchased a chicken and some white bread for Sunday dinner. They refused to answer questions regarding themselves, but their identity was disclosed through photographs that had been sent broadcast throughout the West. The lads appeared to be in excellent health.

Immediately after the report was made by the Cawker City storekeeper to Sheriff Hugh Lorimer of Topeka, the fathers of the two boys, W. R. Robinson and Louis Luthy, left for Solomon valley, where they attempted to persuade the young men to return to their homes.

Both boys were close followers of the adventures of Daniel Boone and other famous trappers. Two weeks before their departure from home they had purchased trapping outfits and books on trapping. When they disappeared from home they carried small traveling bags and a minimum amount of clothing. They dropped out of sight completely. Every recruiting station for the army or navy in the United States was informed as to the identity of the lads, but this precaution brought no results.

Whether it was patriotism in observing meatless days, poor hunting, or hunger for the food of civilization that caused the journey to Cawker City is not known. It is sufficient that the trip disclosed the whereabouts of the young men and gave their parents an opportunity to find them.

NEVER KNEW HIS OWN NAME FOR 24 YEARS

Seattle, Wash.—He did not know his own name during twenty-four years. That's the story of Label Stein of this city.

For twenty-four years Stein believed that a Rhode Island court had changed his name to Stone, and it was not until he applied for a civil service position and produced his naturalization papers at the commission's request that his error was discovered.

WHO GETS THE FIRST KISS?

Du Bois, Pa., Editor Ventures the Opinion That the Stunt Should Be "Fifty-Fifty."

Du Bois, Pa.—The editor of the Du Bois Courier received the following letter: "Dear Sir—I would like to have the pleasure to get in your paper a small place for a question. When a boy comes to the first time in love with a girl, who is entitled to the first kiss, the boy to the girl or the girl to the boy?"

"Truly, KATIE." The editor ventured the opinion that the osculatory stunt should be "fifty-fifty."

Claims Unluckiest Title. Pitcairn, Pa.—George W. Huff, a Pennsylvania railroad employee, lays claim to the title of "unluckiest man." He was working on an engine when a pinch bar struck him on the chin and knocked him to the ground. In falling, he struck a piece of steel and sustained a lacerated scalp, and when his foot caught between two ties he was thrown in such a manner that the muscles of his back were badly strained.

BUY LIBERTY BONDS OR SEE U. S. LOSE

Add to Funds That Will Forever End Germany's Desired Iron-Hand Rule.

DUTY OF EVERYBODY TO HELP

Question Is Not Whether We Feel Like Subscribing, but Our People Must Spend or Be Spent.

By ALBERT BUSHNELL HART, Of the Vigilantes.

Proclaim liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof—so runs the legend on the Liberty bell, which by a favorite tradition pealed out to the world the tidings of the birth of the United States of America on that famous July 4, 1776. We thought that message had gone out once for all; that freedom in the United States was a rock of Gibraltar that could not be scaled nor penetrated nor moved. We have thought that the old days of national sacrifice and anxiety were forever passed. What so strong, so permanent, so vigorous, so dominant as government of the people in these United States?

If the American Revolution had been only bell ringing and the passage of resolutions, we should not now be the foremost republic of the world nor any other kind of a republic. The Declaration of Independence was a bold statement of liberty which had still to be made good. The heroes of the Revolution knew how to watch as well as to pray, how to march as well as to resolve. The Declaration of Independence is a mighty force in the world because when the country called soldiers sprang into the ranks. Liberty had to be spelled out by such big capital letters as Lexington, Illinois, Bennington, Entaw, Rocky Mount, Trenton and Yorktown.

We Are Better Fortified.

The hard fighting in the field won only half the battle. Our forefathers were able to "proclaim liberty throughout the land" because they found the sinews of war. It was one thing to raise the flag, another to raise troops and still another to "raise the wind." There was not a bank in the United States till the Revolution was nearly over and few were the people who had money enough to lend to anybody, yet that 3,000,000, of whom a fourth were slaves who could have no property, somehow induced the people of the country to turn in their small surplus of provisions, clothing and military supplies and take for it the obligations of the government, which toward the end of the dark period of the Revolution seemed little likely ever to be paid. They furnished about \$65,000,000 in taxes, contributions and supplies and at the end of the war the national debts incurred in behalf of the Revolution were, including arrears of interest, \$70,000,000, which was then about \$20 a head on the population, man, woman and child, whites, Indians and negroes, seamen, farmers, plantation slaves as they ran.

Must Spend or Be Spent.

Make no mistake; this is not a question of whether we feel like subscribing to a loan any more than a question of whether we feel like receiving news of a break on the war front and the capture or retreat of the American troops. The nation is compelled to choose either to spend or to be spent. There is only one possible way to end the war to the honor and safety of the United States and that is to fight for it. Our sons fight in the army, our daughters fight in the Red Cross, we elders must fight with safe deposit boxes and mortgage deeds and sheets of securities.

In the days when the French were in the habit of recruiting troops in Switzerland, there was a saying, "No money, no Swiss!" Nowadays it is, "No money, no Yank!" for unless you subscribe to the loan your son cannot be trained or equipped or fed or transported over seas or carried to the front or protected by a barrage of artillery fire or put where he can attack the enemy.

Remember the Liberty Bell. The battle is going on from day to day in the national banks and the savings banks and the trust companies and the treasuries of the fraternal orders and the clubs and the churches and the restaurants just as much as in northern France or Belgium. No one soldier can win at the front nor a hundred thousand together. It would take a million, but if every one of that million hangs back, there is no army, no war, nothing but shame and misery for the nation. Just so, you cannot save your country all alone by your subscription to the third Liberty loan; but you can unite with a million others. Do your duty and expect and urge others to do theirs. That makes a victorious army of people pouring in their rattling dollars as the boys at the front hurl hand grenades.

"All the inhabitants thereof," that is what the Liberty bell aroused. Not the soldier only, not merely the Red Cross, the Y. M. C. A. and the other noble co-workers and co-fighters with the troops. You plain farmer, you banker, investor, manufacturer; you doctor, lawyer, teacher, scientific man, engineer, business man, railroad man, mechanic, working man; you schoolboy and schoolgirl, listen to the Liberty bell subscribe to the Liberty loan.

Tonight! Take Dodson's Liver Tone! Better Than Calomel For Liver

Calomel sickens! If bilious, constipated and head-achy read my guarantee.

Listen to me! Take no more sickening, salivating calomel when bilious or constipated. Don't lose a day's work!

Calomel is mercury or quicksilver, which causes necrosis of the bones. Calomel, when it comes into contact with sour bile, crashes into it, breaking it up. This is when you feel that awful nausea and cramping. If you are sluggish and "all knocked out," if your liver is torpid and bowels constipated or you have headache, dizziness, coated tongue, if breath is bad or stomach sour, just take a spoonful of harmless Dodson's Liver Tone.

Here's my guarantee—Go to any drug store and get a bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone for a few cents. Take a spoonful tonight, and if it doesn't

straighten you right up and make you feel fine and vigorous by morning, I want you to go back to the store and get your money. Dodson's Liver Tone is destroying the sale of calomel because it is real liver medicine; entirely vegetable, therefore it can not sallow or make you sick.

I guarantee that one spoonful of Dodson's Liver Tone will put your sluggish liver to work and clean your bowels of that sour bile and constipated waste which is clogging your system and making you feel miserable. I guarantee that a bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone will keep your entire family feeling fine for months. Give it to your children. It is harmless; doesn't gripe and they like its pleasant taste. —Adv.

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Has been used for all ailments that are caused by a disordered stomach and inactive liver, such as sick headache, constipation, sour stomach, nervous indigestion, fermentation of food, palpitation of the heart caused by gases in the stomach. August Flower is a gentle laxative, regulates digestion both in stomach and intestines, cleans and sweetens the stomach and alimentary canal, stimulates the liver to secrete the bile and impurities from the blood. Sold in all civilized countries. Give it a trial.—Adv.

The man who can bite off more than he is able to chew has an ideal mouth for pie.

Why be so aggressively charitable as to make the helpless beneficiaries uncomfortable?

Best Time.

"Here it is announced the high soprano expected can't sing on account of ulcerated teeth."

"Why, that's the very time to make her notes soar."

ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE DOES IT

When your shoes pinch or your corns and bunions ache get Allen's Foot-Ease, the antiseptic powder to be shaken into shoes and sprinkled in the foot-bath. Gives instant relief to tired, aching, swollen, tender feet. Over 50,000 packages are being used by the troops at the front. Sold every where, 25c. Don't accept any substitute.—Adv.

Some Guide.

"The submarine blockade," said a government official at a dinner, "is a bluff. It does harm, of course; it does untold harm, but as a blockade it is a bluff."

"The bluffing, bragging submarines remind me of the hen."

"A hen, you know, set out to see the world, and met a crow in a remote forest."

"But, madam," said the crow, "are you not afraid without wings, of losing your way in all this dense tangle?"

"Afraid? Oh, no!" said the hen. "Every little while I lay an egg to guide myself back by."—Anon.

If your druggist does not have Dr. Peery's "Dead Shot" for Worms and Tapeworms, send 25 cents to 372 Pearl Street, New York, and you will get it by return mail. Adv.

You can always have the law at actual costs.

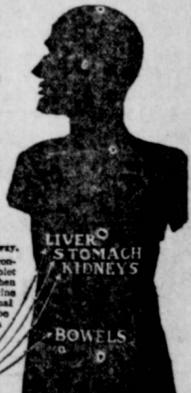
Want to Feel Just Right? Take an NR Tonight

JUST TRY IT AND SEE how much better you feel in the morning. That "loggy" headachy, tired, don't-know-what's-the-matter feeling will be gone—you'll feel fine.

TROUBLE IS, your system is clogged with a lot of impurities that your over-worked digestive and eliminative organs can't get rid of. Pills, oil, salts, calomel and ordinary laxatives, cathartics and purges only force the bowels and prod the liver.

Nature's Remedy (NR Tablets) acts on the stomach, liver, bowels and even kidneys, not forcing, but toning and strengthening these organs. The result is prompt relief and real, lasting benefit. Make the test. Nature's Remedy will act promptly, thoroughly, yet so mildly, so gently, that you will think nature herself has come to the rescue and is doing the work.

And oh, what a relief! You'll be surprised to find how much better you feel—lighter, better every way. If habitually or stubbornly constipated, take one NR Tablet each night for a week. Then you'll not have to take medicine every day. Just an occasional NR Tablet after that will be sufficient to keep your system in good condition—keep you feeling your best. Get a 25¢ Box



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COLT DISTEMPER You can prevent this loathsome disease from running through your stable and cure all the colts suffering with it when you begin the treatment. No matter how young, SPORN'S is safe to use on any colt. It is wonderful how it prevents all distempers, no matter how colts or horses at any age are "exposed." All good druggists and turf goods houses and manufacturers sell SPORN'S at 50 cents and \$1 a bottle; \$5 and \$10 a dozen. SPORN MEDICAL CO., Mfrs., C. Cohen, Ind., U. S. A.

As Age Advances the Liver Requires occasional slight stimulation. CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS correct CONSTIPATION

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price But Great in its Good Work. Genuine bears signature. Colorless or Pale Faces usually indicate the absence of Iron in the blood, a condition which will be greatly helped by Carter's Iron Pills.

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Easy Game. "Why do you arrest me?" howled the alleged speeder. "I can show you plenty who are violating the law worse than I am."

"If I were looking for burglars," responded the cop, "your proposition might interest me. But I don't need any help in catching motorists."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Juice of Lemons! How to Make Skin White and Beautiful

At the cost of a small jar of ordinary cold cream one can prepare a full quart of the most wonderful lemon skin softener and complexion beautifier, by squeezing the juice of two fresh lemons into a bottle containing three ounces of orchard white. Care should be taken to strain the juice through a fine cloth so no lemon pulp gets in, then this lotion will keep fresh for months. Every woman knows that lemon juice is used to bleach and remove such blemishes as sallowness, freckles and tan and is the ideal skin softener, smoothener and beautifier.

Just try it! Get three ounces of orchard white at any pharmacy and two lemons from the grocer and make up a quart of this sweetly fragrant lemon lotion and massage it daily into the face, neck, arms and hands. It naturally should help to soften, freshen, bleach and bring out the roses and beauty of any skin. It is wonderful to smoothen rough, red hands. Adv.

Changed. "He used to be a pacifist."

"Now?"

"Now he admits that the Huns have made it indecent for a man not to fight."

Anyway, half of the world knows that the other half is looking for the best of it.

Needed a Bedmark. It was a Kansas soldier boy who wrote home to his mother that he had so many blankets on his bed that he had to use a book mark to see where to get in.—Capper's Weekly.

Important to Mothers. Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, that famous old remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the

Signature of *W. D. FLETCHER* In Use for Over 30 Years. Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria

Nothing to Go By. "She's quite refined, Jack, really! You can never judge a girl by how clothes."

"You don't get much of a chance to, by Jove!"—Cassell's Saturday Journal.

HEADACHES

This distressing ailment should be relieved at once and save strain on Nervous System. CAPUDINE gives quick relief. It's a liquid—Pleasant to take.—Adv.

Making Good. "The hen is a poet." "How do you make that out?" "Doesn't she usually put forth an Easter lay?"

\$100 Reward, \$100

Catarrh is a local disease greatly influenced by constitutional conditions. It therefore requires constitutional treatment. HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE is taken internally and acts through the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System. HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE destroys the foundation of the disease, gives the patient strength by improving the general health and assists nature in doing its work. \$100.00 for any case of Catarrh that HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE fails to cure. Druggists 75c. Testimonials free. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio.

Speaking of real estate in cities, a front foot is often worth more than a back yard.

Many a man looks upon marriage as sort of a blotter with which he expects to blot out all his past.

Lend Him A Hand

BUY LIBERTY BONDS

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ENOCH MORGAN'S SONS CO.

Buy SAPOLIO

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"Actions speak louder than words—Act—Don't Talk—Buy Now"

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC!

To avoid the seriousness of the COAL SHORTAGE experienced last winter, get your supply now and save money. Our coal is second to none. Terms, Cash.

J. C. WOOLDRIDGE

Lum Guest and Claude McAllister came down from Clarendon Tuesday evening to attend an important meeting of the I. O. O. F. lodge.

Benjamin Beach of Bray community was a pleasant caller at this office Wednesday.

The Informer, \$1.00 per year

In Business for Your Health

--that's the reason we buy none but the purest Drugs and Medicines.

We hope you can get through the year without sickness, but at the same time we're prepared to take care of you if you need us. At your service, any time.

HEDLEY DRUG CO.

In Business for Your Health

The Government Instructs Us to URGE YOU to Buy Your Fuel for Next Winter NOW!

Aside from the patriotic assistance this will be to the Federal Fuel Administration, you have every reason from the standpoint of self protection to heed this warning.

1st. ECONOMY. April prices are lower than they will be in May. Prices will advance every month throughout the summer.

2nd. SERVICE. Transportation service from point of production to us, and our delivery service to you is fairly good now, but will become increasingly difficult as the season progresses.

3rd. SUPPLY. The supply for private consumption is ample now, because of favorable weather conditions. It will NOT BE AMPLE next fall.

Avoid Suffering of Your Loved Ones next Winter by Buying Your Fuel Now.

A. N. WOOD

Come to us for

Lumber & Coal

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U. J. BOSTON, Manager

HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

The coming week will witness the Commencement Exercises of the Hedley High School, same to be held in the Methodist church. Rev. Cal C. Wright will preach the Commencement Sermon on Sunday morning, the program being as follows:

Voluntary, March, Miss Smith. Opening Song, Choir. Invocation, Rev. Spurlin. Special, Miss Norwood and Miss French. Scripture, Rev. Cal C. Wright. Solo, Miss French. Sermon, Rev. Cal C. Wright. Song, Choir. Revocation.

Following is a program of the exercises next Friday night:

Piano solo, March, Miss Smith. Chorus, Girls. Invocation, Rev. Hensley. Special, Miss Norwood. Salutatory, Clara Jones. Piano solo, Miss Smith. Address, Dr. Garth. Special, ———. Valedictory, Edna Simmons. Delivery of the Diplomas, Mr. Boone.

H. B. HILL ANNOUNCES FOR REPRESENTATIVE

Hon. H. B. Hill of Shamrock authorizes the Informer to announce that he is a candidate for the office of Representative of the 124th Representative District of Texas.

Mr. Hill is a successful lawyer in the Eastern Panhandle, having moved to Shamrock six years ago from Missouri just after his graduation from the University of Missouri, where he was given the A. B. and LL. B. degrees.

He was born and raised on a farm, and after reaching his 21st birthday he worked his own way through both high school and college with nothing to depend on for assistance except his two hands and good health. Since coming to the Panhandle he has purchased a farm, owns a home, and is making a crop this year to help in feeding our country and our allies.

Besides all this, he has found time to identify himself with all righteous causes in his home town and county, and has taken a leading part in every movement pertaining to civic betterment. He is a man of splendid business ability, and his home folks credit him with having secured Shamrock's light plant, while a member of the city council, and with saving the people \$5,500 on their waterworks system—which included a trip to Austin on his part and the selling of the waterworks bonds, two years after they were voted, for \$2,500 more than had before been offered for them.

Shamrock people will tell you that as an upright citizen and business man Mr. Hill has no superior anywhere.

Mr. Hill says that as long as the war lasts his efforts, if he is elected, will be to assist the State of Texas to do her full part in winning the war;—all matters not bearing on some phase of the war being of minor importance. Short, active business sessions of the Legislature will aid materially in this time of crises, he says.

Your support of Mr. Hill's candidacy will be appreciated by him, and we ask our readers to give him fair consideration.

Joe Killian suffered a serious and painful accident in his shop a few days ago when the little finger on his left hand was badly mangled in a saw. Although it was completely severed except for the cuticle, it is thought the digit can be saved.

R. S. Smith has been confined to his room the past week with a severe attack of vaccination.

Political Announcements

For Lieutenant Governor
W. A. JOHNSON
of Hall County

For State Senator, 29th Dist.
R. L. TEMPLETON

For Representative 124th Dist.
H. B. HILL

For Judge 47th Judicial District:
HUGH L. UMPHRES
(Re-election)
HENRY S. BISHOP
OTIS TRULOVE

For County Judge
J. H. O'NEALL
W. T. LINK

For County and District Clerk:
W. E. BRAY
J. J. ALEXANDER

For Sheriff and Tax Collector:
H. C. BRUMLEY
M. T. (Doc) HOWARD
L. F. STEWART
J. H. RUTHERFORD
J. A. JOHNS

For Tax Assessor
G. W. BAKER
B. F. NAYLOR

For County Treasurer
E. DUBBS
W. H. MARTIN
MRS. WILLIE GOLDSTON

For Public Weigher, at Hedley
J. W. BOND
J. S. BEACH

M. D. LATIMER

For County Attorney
E. F. RITCHEY

For J. P. Precinct 3
J. P. JOHNSON

NOTICE

Those owing fees for colts to J. R. McFarling will please call at the Gauranty State Bank and settle same; or see R. O. McFarling.

Windy Valley Pick-Ups

Rev. Hopper of Decatur filled his regular appointment here Sunday.

J. J. Bills, wife and sons motored to Brice Sunday afternoon to visit their granddaughter, little LeOla Bagwell, who is ill with pneumonia.

Mr. Heath, who has been dangerously ill with appendicitis, is some better we are glad to state.

Misses Fannie and Floy Luttrell of Hedley spent Saturday and Sunday with Miss Terra Garland.

Mr. Alexander of Newlin came up Sunday and spent the day with Wooten Dotson and wife and Coon Alexander and family.

Tommy Heath of the U. S. Navy is here visiting his father who is ill.

Lucian and Austin Grant and Mr. Conner went to Wellington Sunday.

Misses Ollie and Kate McCracken were the guests of Miss Geneva Alexander Sunday.

Miss Oma Grant visited Miss Delpher Conner Wednesday.

Rev. Tucker will preach at the school house next Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Everybody come.

Pat Stephens and Jim Heathington of Lelia Lake attended church services here Sunday night.

Frank Weatherby, John Golliugh, Lee Phelan, and Jesse B. Grant and Misses Jack Bills, Oma Grant and Delpher Conner spent Sunday afternoon in the Garland home.

Mrs. Reg Hillman visited in Clarendon Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Heath was carried to the Sanitarium Tuesday to undergo an operation for appendicitis. We hope him a speedy recovery. Good luck to the Informer.

Bashful Nell

Lester Muncie shipped out a bunch of cattle one day last week. We didn't learn the number or destination.

J. S. Ulm, the loan man, was here from Clarendon one day last week.

D. Curd, of Bray community, was transacting business in Hedley Tuesday.

Hon. W. S. Bell of Crowell, candidate for State Senator from this district, was a Hedley visitor one day last week.

Allen Jefferies, cattle inspector, was here last week on business.

King Barber Shop

J. B. KING, Prop.

First Class Equipment, Prompt and Courteous Service Always.

Agent Panhandle Steam Laundry

The Clarendon CHAUTAUQUA

BEGINS JUNE 2nd

Some of the Feature Attractions for the 1918 Patriotic Program are:

VICTOR'S COLUMBIA BAND
A Spectacular and Novelty Band

SERGEANT W. E. TURLEY
Telling of the Great War from the viewpoint of a man who has "Gone over the top"

THE OLD HOME SINGERS

DR. FRANK L. LOVELAND
One of America's great orators, delivering a patriotic lecture

ETHEL HINTON, THE JOY GIRL

M. BERYL BUCKLEY
Chautauqua's Favorite Reader

DR. DEAN C. DUTTON
"Uncle Sam and World Patriotism"

THE AMERICAN ARTISTS

GRANVILLE JONES
"The Creed of Democracy"

THE ALTHEA PLAYERS
Four Lady Violinists and ELECTRA PLATT

"OVER THE TOP"

By An American Arthur Guy Empey
Soldier Who Went Machine Gunner, Serving in France

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EMPEY LEARNS HOW THE TOMMIES ARE FED IN THE FRONT-LINE TRENCH AND BACK OF IT.

Synopsis.—Fired by the sinking of the Lusitania, with the loss of American lives, Arthur Guy Empey, an American living in Jersey City, goes to England and enlists as a private in the British army. After a short experience as a recruiting officer in London, he is sent to training quarters in France, where he first hears the sound of big guns and makes the acquaintance of "gotties." After a brief period of training Empey's company is sent into the front-line trenches, where he takes his first turn on the fire step while the bullets whiz overhead.

CHAPTER VI.—Continued.

After dinner I tried to wash out the dixie with cold water and a rag, and learned another maxim of the trenches—"It can't be done." I slyly watched one of the older men from another section, and was horrified to see him throw into his dixie four or five double handfuls of mud. Then he poured in some water, and with his hands scoured the dixie inside and out. I thought he was taking an awful risk. Supposing the cook should have seen him! After half an hour of unsuccessful efforts I returned my dixie to the cook shack, being careful to put on the cover, and returned to the billet. Pretty soon the cook poked his head in the door and shouted: "Hey, Yank, come out here and clean your dixie!" I protested that I had washed a half-hour on it already, and had used up my only remaining shirt in the attempt. With a look of disdain he exclaimed: "Blow me, your shirt! Why in hell didn't you use mud?"

Without a word in reply I got busy with the mud, and soon my dixie was bright and shining. Most of the afternoon was spent by the men writing letters home. I used my spare time to chop wood for the cook and go with the quartermaster to draw coal. I got back just in time to issue our third meal, which consisted of hot tea. I rinsed out my dixie and returned it to the cookhouse, and went back to the billet with an exhilarated feeling that my day's labor was done. I had fallen asleep on the straw when once again the cook appeared in the door of the billet with: "Blime me, you Yanks are lazy. Who in hell a-goin' to draw the water for the mornin' tea? Do you think I'm a-goin' to? Well, I'm not," and he left. I filled the dixie with water from an old squeaking well, and once again lay down in the straw.

CHAPTER VII.

Rations.

Just dozing off; Mr. Lance Corporal butted in. In Tommy's eyes a lance corporal is one degree below a private. In the corporal's eyes he is one degree above a general. He ordered me to go with him and help him draw the next day's rations, also told me to take my waterproof. Every evening, from each platoon or machine-gun section, a lance corporal and private go to the quartermaster sergeant at the company stores and draw rations for the following day. The "quarter," as the quartermaster sergeant is called, receives daily from the orderly room (captain's office) a slip showing the number of men entitled to rations, so there is no chance of putting anything over on him. Many arguments take place between the "quarter" and the platoon noncom, but the former always wins out. Tommy says the "quarter" got his job because he was a burglar in civil life. Then I spread the waterproof sheet on the ground, while the quartermaster's batman dumped the rations on it. The corporal was smoking a fag. I carried the rations back to the billet. The corporal was still smoking a fag.

How I envied him. But when the issue commenced my envy died, and I realized that the first requisite of a non-commissioned officer on active service is diplomacy. There were 19 men in our section, and they soon formed a semicircle around us after the corporal had called out, "Rations up."

The quartermaster sergeant had given a slip to the corporal on which was written a list of the rations. Sitting on the floor, using a wooden box as a table, the issue commenced. On the left of the corporal the rations were piled. They consisted of the following:

Six loaves of fresh bread, each loaf of a different size, perhaps one out of the six being as flat as a pancake, the result of an army service corps man placing a box of bully beef on it during transportation. Three tins of jam, one apple and the other two plum. Seventeen Bermuda onions, all different sizes. A piece of cheese in the shape of a wedge. Two one-pound tins of butter. A handful of raisins. A tin of biscuits, or as Tommy calls them "jaw breakers."

A bottle of mustard pickles. The "bully beef," spuds, condensed milk, fresh meat, bacon and "Macconiche rations" (a can filled with meat, vegetables and greasy water), had been turned over to the company cook to make a stew for next day's dinner. He also received the tea, sugar, salt, pepper and flour. Scratching his head, the corporal studied the slip issued to him by the quartermaster. Then in a slow, mystified voice he read out, "No. 1 section, 19 men. Bread, loaves, six." He looked puzzled and soliloquized in a musing voice:

"Six loaves, nineteen men. Let's see, that's three in a loaf for fifteen men—well, to make it even, four of you'll have to muck in on one loaf."

The four that got stuck made a howl, but to no avail. The bread was dished out. Pretty soon from a far corner of the billet, three indignant Tommies accosted the corporal with:

"What do you call this, a loaf of bread? Looks more like a soup plate."

The corporal answered: "Well, don't blame me, I didn't bake it; somebody's got to get it, so shut up until I dish out these blinkin' rations."

Then the corporal started on the jam. "Jam, three tins—apple one, plum two. Nineteen men, three tins. Six in a tin makes twelve men for two tins, seven in the remaining tin."

He passed around the jam, and there was another riot. Some didn't like apple, while others who received plum were partial to apple. After a while differences were adjusted and the issue went on. "Bermuda onions, seventeen." The corporal avoided a row by saying that he did not want an onion, and I said they make your breath smell, so I guessed I would do without one too. The corporal looked his gratitude. "Cheese, pounds, two."

The corporal borrowed a jackknife (corporals are always borrowing), and sliced the cheese—each slicing bringing forth a part remark from the on-lookers as to the corporal's eyesight. "Raisins, ounces, eight."

By this time the corporal's nerves had gone west, and in despair he said that the raisins were to be turned over to the cook for "duff" (plum pudding). This decision elicited a little "grousing," but quiet was finally restored. "Biscuits, tins, one."

With his borrowed jackknife, the corporal opened the tin of biscuits, and told everyone to help themselves—no body responded to this invitation Tommy is "fed up" with biscuits. "Butter, tins, two."

"Nine in one, ten in the other." Another rumpus. "Pickles, mustard, bottles, one."

Nineteen names were put in a steel helmet, the last one out winning the pickles. On the next issue there were only 18 names, as the winner is eliminated until every man in the section has won a bottle.

The raffle is closely watched, because Tommy is suspicious when it comes to gambling with his rations.

At the different French estaminets in the village and at the canteens Tommy buys fresh eggs, milk, bread and pastry. Occasionally when he is flush, he invests in a tin of pears or apricots. His pay is only a shilling a day, 24 cents, or a cent an hour. Just imagine, a cent an hour for being under fire—not much chance of getting rich out there.

When he goes into the fire trench (front line), Tommy's menu takes a tumble. He carries in his haversack what the government calls emergency or iron rations. They are not supposed to be opened until Tommy dies of starvation. They consist of one tin of bully beef, four biscuits, a little tin which contains tea, sugar and Oxo cubes (concentrated beef tablets). These are only to be used when the enemy establishes a curtain of shell fire on the communication trenches, thus preventing the "carrying in" of rations, or when in an attack a body of troops has been cut off from its base of supplies.

The rations are brought up at night by the company transport. This is a section of the company in charge of the quartermaster sergeant, composed of men, mules and limbers (two-wheeled wagons), which supplies Tommy's wants while in the front line. The rations are unloaded at the entrance to the communication trenches and are "carried in" by men detailed for that purpose. The quartermaster sergeant never goes into the front-line trench. He doesn't have to, and I have never heard of one volunteering to do so.

The company sergeant major sorts the rations and sends them in. Tommy's trench rations consist of all the bully beef he can eat, biscuits, cheese, tinned butter (sometimes 17 men to a tin), jam or marmalade, and occasionally fresh bread (ten to a loaf). When it is possible he gets tea and stew.

When things are quiet, and Fritz is behaving like a gentleman, which seldom happens, Tommy has the opportunity of making dessert. This is "trench pudding." It is made from broken biscuits, condensed milk, jam—a little water added, slightly flavored with mud—put into a canteen and cooked over a little spirit stove known as "Tommy's cooker."

(A firm in Blighty widely advertises these cookers as a necessity for the men in the trenches. Gullible people buy them—ship them to the Tommies, who, immediately upon receipt of same throw them over the parapet. Sometimes a Tommy falls for the ad, and uses the cooker in a dugout to the disgust and discomfort of the other occupants.)

This mess is stirred up in a tin and allowed to simmer over the flames from the cooker until Tommy decides that it has reached sufficient (glue-like) consistency. He takes his bayonet and by means of the handle carries the mess up in the front trench to cool. After it has cooled off he tries to eat it. Generally one or two Tommies in a section have cast-iron stomachs and the tin is soon emptied. Once I tasted trench pudding, but only once.

In addition to the regular ration issue Tommy uses another channel to enlarge his menu.

In the English papers a "Lonely Soldier" column is run. This is for the soldiers at the front who are supposed to be without friends or relatives. They write to the papers and their names are published. Girls and women in England answer them, and send out parcels of foodstuffs, cigarettes, candy, etc. I have known a "lonely" soldier to receive as many as five parcels and eleven letters in one week.

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ON THE BRITISH FIGHTING FRONT



Lookout man watching through the trench periscope for enemy movements while his comrades are overhauling a machine gun.

AMERICAN FACES DEATH TO GET OPPORTUNITY AS MANUFACTURER

Story of Meteoric Rise of Man From Poverty to Leading Builder of Airplanes in England—Without a Penny, He Joins British Army and Deliberately Breaks Rules to Employ Talents in More Effective Service.

London.—With all of its cases of meteoric rises from poverty and humbleness to wealth and success, the United States furnishes nothing more striking than that of J. A. Whitehead, president of the Whitehead Aircraft company of England, but it should be stated that Mr. Whitehead, though a Britisher now, has American citizenship papers and got his business training in San Francisco.

Unknown two years ago, Mr. Whitehead now is one of the most prominent men in Great Britain, and in his industrial life is easily one of the most shining figures. He started his career two and a half years ago with no asset in the world except credit with a small hotelkeeper in a London suburb. Now he owns the biggest airplane factory in Great Britain and has under his ownership 450 acres of factory buildings and airdromes. His first pay roll was \$35 a week, with borrowed money. His pay roll now is \$60,000 a week. He recently obtained permission from the treasury department of England to increase his capitalization by \$5,000,000, and so complete was the confidence of English investors in his ability to "make good" that the amount was subscribed before the bonds were issued.

Mr. Whitehead is a far seeing man. He says the airplane business, despite its magical development during war time, is just in its infancy; that when the war is over there will be flying machine services for mail and passengers and expresses all over the world, and that where thousands of machines are required now tens of thousands will be needed after the war. He predicts that the airplane industry will see the same wonderful transformation that the automobile industry experienced some twenty years back.

Furthermore, Mr. Whitehead says that the day the war is over he will start machines on a flight to New York, and he has no doubt that within a short time he will have established, in co-operation with others, a regular mail service between the metropolises of Europe and the metropolises of the western hemisphere.

It is, of course, not possible to go into details in describing the airplane works which Mr. Whitehead has built. It is one of the wonder spots of England, and the thousands of employees whom I saw at their work one day this week are turning out these "eyes of the army" at a rate which may well cause alarm to the Huns, who perhaps as soon as anyone else realized that the great war would be won in the air. Mr. Whitehead believes that the war will be won in the air, and he says there is no question that the English manufacturer, supplemented by his American industrial partner, will provide the machines which will give the allies an overwhelming superiority.

At a recent luncheon given at Mr. Whitehead's home, Budechurch house, on the Thames, he told privately the story of his marvelous career. This is it:

Sentenced to Be Shot.
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and they will be as good as any other maker in the country can give you."

They gave him a contract for the six. An inspector reported that his factory was of sufficient capacity for a trifling order of that kind, and thereupon the 450-acre Whitehead company began its career.

On the strength of his order for six government machines Mr. Whitehead was able to make such purchases as he needed for his small undertaking. He also borrowed \$35 to pay two mechanics who helped him the first week. From that the industry grew. He surmounted obstacles that would have awed almost anyone, and did things which astonished the cleverest business men of England. But he achieved results. He finished his six machines in far less than the specified time, and then he got a contract for a hundred.

The works grew; and the orders grew also. He built a great airdrome facing a field of hundreds of acres, and, to the amazement of government officials who thought his field was no use as a training station because of the fact that a river flowed through it, he buried the river. He diverted a stream so that it is now not to be seen on his property.

The lunch which he gave the other day marked the end of the second year of active full operation. There is no telling where it will end.

HUNS HAVE NEW AIR DEVICE

Electrically Charged Wires Hung From Captive Balloon Menace Hostile Flyers.

Amsterdam.—At Zebrugge, the German naval and aerial base on the Belgian coast, the Germans have adopted a new method of catching hostile airmen. Toward evening, the frontier correspondent of the Telegraaf reports, the Germans send up 12 captive balloons without crews and attached to electrified steel cables.

The electric barrier is said to constitute a menace to all airmen coming into contact with it.

The Germans, it is added, have also manufactured a new and improved type of airplane. It is fitted with three propellers, one being so arranged that it can keep the airplane stationary above a certain point for a few minutes, thus permitting the bombardier to aim with greater accuracy.

DAD TO HAVE SERVICE FLAG WITH FIVE STARS

Pittsfield, Mass.—There's a service flag with five stars at the home of Paul A. Jones. But that's not enough, he thinks. He is planning to add three more stars.

Walter, the youngest, who will be eighteen soon, plans to enlist and two more sons are in class A1 of the draft. Five are already in various camps throughout the country.

Five of the boys have "war brides."

NEW STYLE OF PATRIOTISM

Former Sailor Offers to Clean, Press and Repair Clothing for Drafted Men.

Dewey, Okla.—Aaron Hanning, former sailor, now owner of a cleaning and pressing establishment, has offered to clean, press, repair and send home the clothing of any drafted men of this city and vicinity, when they exchange their civilian clothing for the uniform of Uncle Sam. In case the men have no home he will store their clothing and keepsakes for them. All this is without cost.

MONARCHS OF CUBA



The royal palm trees of Cuba are protected by the government. They may not be cut or injured for commercial purposes. Expert climbers are employed to remove the leaves and the seeds from which high-grade oil is manufactured. The trees are over 200 feet high, and the manner of scaling them is interesting. A close view of how the climbing is done.



Taking Provisions to the Front.

Empey realizes for the first time how death lurks in the trenches when a comrade falls by his side. He tells about it in the next installment.

(TO BE CONTINUED)

The Dixie **May Sale** The Dixie
A SALE OF MATCHLESS VALUES
A BIG SAVING OPPORTUNITY!

Nice Staple Goods selling at Less than they Can be Bought For on Market Today!

Many customers go away with a big saving on their bills. We have been preparing for six months for these low prices for our customers. We have been spoken of by salesmen as having the best Staple line they ever saw. No shoddy goods.

The Banner Selling Event of the New Month
 It should be of absorbing interest to every woman--especially to those who want to take advantage of unusual savings.

NEW WASH GOODS
 Staple Gingham, Tissue Gingham, Organdies, Lawns, India Linons, Percales, Wash Silks--all at matchless values.

SHIRT WAISTS
 Dainty Voiles, Georgettes and Crepe de Chines. Wash Silks in all colors, fresh and newest patterns, at great savings.

FOOTWEAR
 A full line of Men's, Women's and Children's Footwear--in Shoes and Oxfords--at prices that will save you money. Tennis Shoes and Sandals in all the make-ups and for all ages.

SILKS, CREPE DE CHINES
 Beauty Silks and Pongee. Assorted colors. Bottom prices.

MEN'S AND BOYS' UNDERWEAR
 Men's B. V. D. Unions and Porous Knit.
 Broken lots at a big saving. All sizes in Boys'.

GINGHAMs and PERCALES
 During the Winter we picked a beautiful line of **STANDARD** Gingham and Percales. We will give our customers the benefit of this buying. These will be sold, while they last, at 20c per yard.

THE WELL KNOWN HOPE MUSLIN ON SALE ALL THIS WEEK AT **20c PER YARD**

EACH DAY THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE MONTH WILL BRING new surprises. It is **OUR** month--this month of May--and a genuinely profitable and happy month for every one of our patrons.

A VISIT TO OUR STORE WILL CONVINCe YOU THAT EACH DEPARTMENT has Special Attractions. We invite you to visit us, if possible, in the forenoon, and let us prove to you we mean as we say. No goods sent out on approval, but can be changed.

Nothing Charged! Strictly Cash!

Telephone 23 **THE DIXIE** Center Block
 O. N. STALLSWORTH, Owner HEDLEY, TEXAS

Veterinary Notice!

DR. F. B. ERWIN

Of Memphis, Will Be in Hedley for One Day Only, on

Saturday, June 1

He will be prepared to do all kinds of **VETERINARY WORK**

DENTAL WORK, PER HEAD \$2.00 to \$3.00

Consultation and Dental Examination **Free. Don't forget the date.**

MRS. GOLDSTON FOR COUNTY TREASURER

The Informer takes pleasure in calling attention to the candidacy of Mrs. Willie Goldston of Clarendon for the office of Treasurer of Donley County.

Mrs. Goldston was raised in this county and is connected by family ties with some of the best people in this section, being a daughter of Mrs. L. J. Caraway, a sister of Odos Caraway, and daughter in law of J. J. Goldston. Her husband, Nate Goldston, died two or three ago, and the salary of the office would help her materially in bringing up and providing for her children. However, she is not asking your support on that score, but because she is qualified in every way to perform the duties incident to the office. She has a laudable ambition to do something--to "earn her way" and to serve her people.

Mrs. Goldston will appreciate your support, and the Informer asks its readers to give her claims the careful consideration which they deserve.

DENTAL NOTICE

Dr. W. R. Smith has asked us to tell the people that he has gone to Central Texas on a ten days trip--to rest and attend to business matters. He will be back about the 24th or 25th inst.

ODD FELLOWS

The I. O. O. F. lodge had a very enjoyable occasion at the regular meet on Tuesday night of this week.

Some visiting members from the Clarendon lodge were present. After the degree work, refreshments of ice cream and cake were served.

The Odd Fellows have secured a number of new members recently, and degree work from now on will be a regular part of their Tuesday night programs.

FORD FOR SALE--Almost new. Cheap.
 2tp Sam Oakley.

Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Johnson and son, Willie, are in Galveston this week on a recreation visit. P. C. wants to sit on the beach and "Hear what the wild waves(?) are saying."

I have a lot of Cobs for sale, at \$1.50 per wagon load.
 26p I. J. Spurlin.

J. D. Swift, cashier of the Guaranty State Bank, and P. T. Boston, assistant cashier of the First State Bank, are attending the Texas Bankers Convention in Galveston this week.

For insurance that insures see C. E. Johnson.

Mrs. Cal C. Wright has been suffering considerable pain the past week with a bone felon on one finger.

Miss Pauline Collier of Memphis was the guest of Miss Myrtle Reeves the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hickerson, of McKnight community, were shopping and greeting friends in town Tuesday.

OVERLAND AUTOS

We have the agency for the Overland cars in this territory and are ready to accommodate old customers and make new ones. This year we have cars that are REAL Automobiles--that make good in every way.

We will be pleased to demonstrate the superior qualities of the Overland at any time.

Will trade cars for good horses and mules.

LOTT & LOTT
 CLARENDON TEXAS

ICE COLD DRINKS

We Now Have All Kinds of **SOFT BOTTLE DRINKS**

CANDIES, CIGARS, CONFECTIONERIES, AND SHORT ORDERS AT ALL HOURS

FRESH BREAD ALL THE TIME

Hedley Restaurant

Bring In Your Junk

A SUGGESTION:

Bring to The Highway Garage your old Rubber Casings, Inner Tubes, Brass, Copper, Lead, Aluminum and any kind of junk that will sell. When the buyer comes, sell it to him and give the proceeds to the Red Cross.

Dishman & Varnes
 PHONE 79 HIGHWAY GARAGE

Quality Goods Polite Service

If the above appeals to you we extend you an invitation to call on us when in need of anything in our line.

SPURLIN & CURTIS
MEAT MARKET AND RESTAURANT

CHICKENS AND EGGS

I am now in the market for all the Chickens I can get,--and all kinds.

Still going strong on Eggs. Will also buy your Butter, Turkeys and other produce. The highest prices paid.

R. S. SMITH.

One of our Bray readers informs us that Louis Spier is instructing a class in dancing, and that Carrol Beach is the star pupil.

Busy Bee Cafe AND CONFECTIONERY

The Right Place to Go When You Are **HUNGRY** or **THIRSTY**
 Brown & Rankin, Props.

DON'T THROW YOUR OLD CLOTHES AWAY!

That's Not the Way to Help Win the War

Bring Them to Us and We'll **MAKE THEM NEW**

CLARKE & STRICKLAND
 THE TAILORS

Midway Barber Shop

In New Hess Hotel
Bob Harper, Prop.
 We Always Strive to Give the Best of Service
 Also Agency Memphis Steam Laundry