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DR. JESSE FLAULT IN BAY OF BISCAY

Young Midland Physician in Rescue Work When Huns Torpedoed Ships of His Convoy

Dr. Jesse Flaunt is a son of Mrs. W. C. Cochran, Midland. He was raised here, practically, so we all know him, and we now have added reason to esteem him and to honor him in our hearts.

The letter following herewith explains all, and comment upon our part would add nothing to our reasons for honoring the young man or for extending congratulations to a proud, loving and happy mother:

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 21, 1918.
Dear Mrs. Cochran: I met your son, Dr. Flaunt, of the American patrol, "Wanderer," under the following circumstances, on Jan. 6th, of this year, in the Bay of Biscay, and promised to write to you as to his health and safety:

I was chief engineer of the late S. S. "Harry Lukenbach," bound from Cardiff, Wales, to Bordeaux, France. We were proceeding toward our destination in company with about twenty other ships, convoyed by the Wanderer and another American Patrol boat. At about midnight of Jan. 5th a French ship a few hundred yards from us, was torpedoed and went down, and about 12:25 a. m. on Jan. 6th we were also torpedoed, and sank five minutes afterwards, and within a short time two other ships were torpedoed, making four in all struggling in the icy waters of the Bay of Biscay at one time.

Although there had been one ship sunk before us and the Huns still sinking more, the Wanderer repeatedly and fearlessly flashed her searchlight over the almost inky blackness of the waters, thereby making herself a target, and rescued twenty-five of our crew, out of a total of thirty-three. How many men from the other ships were saved I cannot say, but fear very few.

I wish to thank the officers and men of the Wanderer, particularly your son and Mr. Fitzgerald, the chief engineer, for their more than kind attention to us, both of them exerting themselves to do us every kindness in their power; and I also wish to congratulate you on having such a son, and you can be honestly and justly proud of him. He is performing one of the most dangerous duties of the war in a brave and manly spirit and I am happy to say that I left him in the very best of health and trust that God will spare him and that he may return in safety. We left France on the U. S. transport DeKalb on Jan. 10th and arrived here today on our way to New York.

Again expressing my appreciation of your son's noble services, I am,
Very truly yours,
J. P. Hunt,
1287 East 8th St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

WADLEY-PATTERSON'S BUYER OFF TO MARKET

Addison Wadley, of the Wadley-Patterson Company, left Tuesday afternoon for markets of the East, where he will spend some two or three weeks buying a spring and summer stock of goods for his firm. He expects to visit St. Louis, Chicago and New York on this trip and if there are any bargains to be found in these markets you can bet your bottom dollar that Wadley will find them, and you can safely bet another dollar that he will not be mum about it when he gets back. He has a habit of telling his business secrets, especially when he picks up a nice, juicy bargain, and he even puts it in the paper where everybody can see it. Watch this firm's ad for some interesting "dope."

CARD OF THANKS

We desire to convey to our friends through this medium our sincere appreciation and heart-felt thanks for their many kindly ministrations and expressions of sympathy in the illness and death of our baby daughter, Doris Lee. The burden of our grief has been greatly lightened by these manifestations of friendship and sympathy, and we shall ever cherish their memory.

Mr. and Mrs. John Dublin.

CONDITIONS ARE NOT SO BAD AT STANTON

Optimism Prevails and Calamity Howlers are Conspicuous for Their Absence

Though hard hit by the long continued drouth, as are all West Texas towns, Stanton, the county seat of Martin County, to our east, is holding her own remarkably well and there is little visible evidence in the town of the havoc that has been wrought in this section by the drouth.

A Reporter representative was over there the latter part of last week and was agreeably surprised at the optimistic spirit displayed by her citizens and business men. Business is admittedly quiet there and the growth of the town is necessarily at a standstill, but one cannot help but notice the substantial aspect of the little city on every hand. The business men of Stanton are of the substantial sort, men of keen foresight and business acumen, inured to the vagaries and vicissitudes of Western climatic conditions and from these no complaint is heard. They are well entrenched in a financial way and amply able to take care of the large trade territory surrounding Stanton. The two banks, the First National and Home National are strong financially, and their recent quarterly statements published in this paper show a healthy condition. The combined deposits of these two banks amount to upwards of \$250,000.00, a good showing, indeed, considering existing conditions.

Farming operations about Stanton are at a standstill and some of the farmers have moved away, but the splendid soil thereabouts produces abundantly with a minimum of moisture, and when the seasons come again, as they always do, these fertile farm lands will not lack for hands to cultivate them and Stanton will flourish again as the proverbial green bay tree.

This writer was deeply impressed with the wholesome hospitality, the business-like methods and the cheerful, optimistic attitude of the people whom he met, and is grateful for numerous courtesies extended him. We hope to visit Stanton again before many moons.

H. Brown was here this week from Collin County, visiting his son, Estel. He says crop prospects in Collin are promising.

BRITISH TRANSPORT SUNK WITH U.S. TROOPS ABOARD

Washington, Feb. 6.—The Cunard liner Tuscania, carrying American soldiers to France, has been torpedoed and sunk off the Irish coast, but official reports late tonight said 1,912 of the 2,179 officers and men on board had been saved and indicated that the list of rescued might prove even larger. The troops, composed chiefly of detachments of Michigan and Wisconsin National Guardsmen, some of them trained at Waco, Texas, were traveling on the Tuscania, a British vessel, under convoy of British warships.

A brief dispatch to the War Department from London early this evening announced the disaster and reported the landing of only 1,100 survivors. This was made public shortly after 10 o'clock and for more than two hours it was feared that probably 1,400 men, including members of the liner's crew, had gone down.

When a message came to the State Department from the Embassy at London saying at 11 o'clock tonight 1,912 of the Americans had been accounted for, the joy of officials almost swept away the distress occasioned by the earlier news. The first 1,100 survivors were landed at Larne and Buncrana, two widely separated Irish ports, and this, coupled with the evident fact that rescue ships were at hand quickly, gave rise to hope that nearly everybody on board the Tuscania except those injured by the explosion might have been saved.

The President, Secretary Baker and, in fact, all official Washington, were up late, waiting for additional news. Only the briefest dispatches were received and none gave details of the attack on the liner. Even the time was missing, but it was assumed that it occurred early this morning, as the first message was filed at London at 3 o'clock this afternoon, probably within an hour after the relief ships reached the Irish coast.

Latest Report
London, Feb. 7.—Unofficial reports today reduced the number of missing in the sinking of the transport Tuscania to 101. The majority of these were members of the crew, holding out the probability that the loss of life among American troops on board the transport was less than 30.

At one point there are 550 survivors, eight of whom are in a hospital. At another there are 1,350 survivors, eighty of them in a hospital. A number of survivors, including the second officer of the Tuscania, were landed at a Scottish port. The admiralty today announced that a party of ten had reached another Scottish port. Two sergeants from Brooklyn were rescued from a raft by a coasting schooner.

The survivors are being well cared for, the American Red Cross, the American consulate, and the British Red Cross are rushing assistance to the overtaxed coast towns where the survivors were landed.

PRESIDENT T. J. O'DONNELL BACK FROM WASHINGTON

President T. J. O'Donnell, of the Midland & Northwestern Railway, returned this week from Washington where he went to confer with Director General McAdoo regarding the release of steel rails which his company had purchased from the Texas & Pacific Railway. After a conference with Mr. McAdoo he secured an order for the release of the steel, which will be forthcoming as soon as the T. & P. can deliver it. About 30 miles of steel has been contracted for, while only 17 miles is needed to complete the road to Seminole. Mr. O'Donnell is of the opinion that construction work will be resumed within a few weeks and that the road will be completed to Seminole in a very short time thereafter.

DORSEY BOOT & SHOE COMPANY MOVING PLANT

The Dorsey Boot & Shoe Company is this week moving its plant to the iron building on Main Street adjoining the Unique air dome. The business was conducted in this building a few years ago.

Jeff Cowden returned this week from a visit to Abilene and San Angelo. He reports extensive preparations being made in those sections by farmers for the planting of 1918 crops.

BIG DEMAND FOR PURE-BRED POULTRY

Midland Poultryman Receives Many Inquiries From All Parts of The Country

For many years the Midland Country has been noted throughout the United States for its magnificent herds of pure bred cattle, but it remained for B. P. Harrison, a local poultryman, to put Midland on the map as a producer of pure-bred poultry.

Mr. Harrison has one of the best strains of standard bred single comb Black Minorcas to be found in the country and receives inquiries almost daily from many points in Texas and other southern states for eggs and stock. Only recently he sold through the Poultry Extension Department of the Agricultural College of Louisiana one of his fine young cockerels at a satisfactory price, which speaks well for the quality of his fowls, as this institution was in search of birds of highest quality and placed the order in Midland after corresponding with breeders throughout the north and east. Already Mr. Harrison has received a number of advance orders for setting eggs and will probably have more business than he can handle before the close of the spring season.

The practice of raising scrub cattle was long ago discontinued in the Midland Country, and now it would be difficult to find a single scrub cow brute in any of our vast pastures. Still most people hereabouts are content to raise mongrel and scrub poultry that require as much attention and consume as much high-priced feed as do the pure-bred fowls. It has been demonstrated that even during normal times scrub chickens are maintained at a loss, and the folly of keeping such stock during these times of high feed prices should be apparent to all.

With the meat shortage in the United States reaching an acute stage, every one in a position to do so should raise some poultry, but it should be of the better sort. There is no better substitute for beef and pork than poultry meat and eggs, but the latter products must be consumed in a fresh state, while the former can be cured and shipped abroad or kept indefinitely.

Pink Stewart and family, of Fisher County, are new comers to Midland.

PROCLAMATION BY GOVERNOR HOBBY

Governor William P. Hobby Issues Proclamation for Seed Sowing Sunday, Feb. 10th, 1918

There is one season of the year, and only one, more important than the harvest season and that is the seed-sowing time, but one is absolutely dependent upon the other, and it is impossible to have one without the other. A complete and plentiful sowing time is sure to bring forth a glorious harvest, just as a bounteous harvest can result from none save a fully abundant sowing time.

It is the best planter, as we learn in our first school days, who can produce two blades of grass only one was produced before, which, of course, refers alike to all food-producing grains. We, in America today, have an exalted, even a holy purpose, in trying to "produce two instead of one blade," and this purpose is to sow grain to help feed the world, who begs and waits for our industrial assistance.

One grain of seed cultivated will provide a meal for a hundred soldiers, one row of grain sowed and cultivated will feed a company, one acre of grain will feed a regiment and so on. Let us look about us and sow this food for our soldiers until we see every vacant space, be it our ten foot door yards, our small front lawns, our landed estates, or our thousands of acres, all smiling with a promising harvest.

Our State which could under proper cultivation, supply one-fourth of the grain of the entire United States, can feed a good portion, therefore, of our great American army, and the variety of food grains which are ours, wheat, corn, rice, oats, barley are the very best food for the very best men. The oldest, most heart-searching lesson in our Holy Book are lessons of sowing and reaping; planting and gathering, watering and increasing, so let us learn this greatest lesson and apply its magic truth.

Since we "reap as we sow," and most of us will agree that we do, let us determine, right now, that no harvest has ever been gathered than can, in any way, compare with what will be ours next harvest season.

I, therefore, urge every man and every woman in our State to observe February 10th, which is the second Sunday in the month as "Seed-Sowing Sunday." I designate a holy day because it is a holy cause, and upon this day I respectfully request every minister in this State, Catholic, Non-Catholic and Jewish, to deliver in his pulpit upon this day, or as near this day as possible, a sermon which will direct the minds and hearts of his congregation to the practical importance and bold necessity, even their obligation, to sow seed and help feed the world.

I further request every instructor in this State, in private and public schools, college and university, to place before their students in unmistakable appeal the importance of this suggestion and encourage them to act upon it as soon as possible. I urge every mother and every father to plant food-producing grain, to utilize every available space in their premises now unused or not necessarily used, and to encourage their children to cultivate it. Let every farmer and every planter, who now cultivates only a portion of his land, cultivate all of it, for Texas this year does not want a fair crop or an average crop but a phenomenal crop, the largest ever planted or gathered in this country. With the conservation and conservation of our full energies this can be done and the blessing which will follow is beyond estimate. I believe our noble Texas will enter into this exalted expression of pure patriotism, remembering that if we do the planting God will give the increase.

In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the great State of Texas to be affixed.

Done in the city of Austin the 2nd day of February, in the year of our Lord, 1918.

(Signed) W. P. Hobby,
Governor of Texas.

George Howard,
Secretary of State.

Mrs. L. P. Holman and little daughter, living 27 miles south of town, were here Tuesday shopping. Mrs. Holman says that Miss Freddie Bliker is teaching in her home.

We Want Your Business During 1918

Watch This Space Each Week---You Will Save Money by Doing So

Grocery Department

We are well prepared to take care of your wants in this line.

We expect to comply with all requirements of the U.S. Food Administration if we know them. We know that every citizen of Midland will be glad to comply with these requirements when they realize the necessity.

We will be glad to give our customers any information regarding the rules and regulations of the Food Administration that we have.

Come and ask us.

Make Our Store Your Store

Dry Goods Department

Had you thought that Spring is almost here?

With the approaching of Spring you will find us ready to take care of your wants in Spring merchandise.

Within the next week or ten days we expect new arrivals in our Ready-to-Wear Dept., and know you will be pleased with the merchandise we'll show you.

Much or Little--Your Business is Appreciated

Grocery Phone
No. 6

The Mercantile

"The Store That Saves You Money"

Dry Goods
Phone No. 284

Almost Every Day

BRINGS NEW

Spring Merchandise

TO THIS STORE

New Linweaves

New Percales

New White Goods

New Draperies

New Silks

Our buyer is now in the market and while our purchases will be lighter than in normal times, you can depend on finding the choicest of new spring merchandise at this store.

NOW ENROUTE

is one hundred pieces of *New Spring Gingham*s which we hope will reach us in the next few days. This is of an extra nice quality, 32 inches wide, absolutely fast colors and the price will be no more than ordinary gingham, yard **25c**

This Cash Store Wants Your Business in 1918

and will give you a better service and greater value. We sell for cash only and sell for less.

Wadley-Patterson Co.

One Price--The Lowest--For Cash Only

WEEKLY MARKET LETTER FROM KANSAS CITY

Kansas City Stock Yards, Feb. 4, 1918.—Cattle received today 12000 head, market steady on light weights and dull and slightly lower on choice heavy weights. Hog receipts 10,000, market 10 to 15 higher, top \$16.40. Sheep and lamb receipts today 4,000, market steady.

Beef Cattle

Trade opened late this morning on account of trains being late and buyers on the first rounds showed greater demand for light weight cattle and paid steady prices for same. Choice heavy steers sold a little lower than last week's close with a top of \$13.50.

There were close on to a hundred loads of western cattle here today, most of which were pulp-fed steers from Colorado. They sold mostly on

a range of \$11.15 to \$12.85, two loads selling for \$12.85 is a record price on pulp fed steers for this year.

Butcher cattle sold at steady to strong prices, cows sold up to \$10.25, yearlings up to \$11.00 and bulls ranged mostly from \$8.00 to \$10.00. Calves remain steady with a top of \$14.00.

Stockers and Feeders

With warmer weather in sight and railroad service gradually getting better, indications point to a decided improvement in the stocker and feeder market. Trade today was active at steady to firm prices on the better or desirable kinds. Plainer grades sold about steady. Three loads of Colorado feeders weighing 988 pounds brought \$11.15, a record price on feeders from Colorado this year. Stockers range in price from \$8.00 to \$11 and feeders \$9.50 to \$11.15.

Hogs

Hogs sold today at mostly 10 to 15 higher prices, top \$16.40, bulk of sales \$16.10 to \$16.35. Most of the

heavies brought from \$16.25 to \$16.40 and light weight sold up to \$16.30. Pigs were strong selling from \$11.00 to \$14.00. Kansas City was the only market to show an increase in hog receipts for the month of January. The increase was approximately 90,000 more than January a year ago.

Sheep and Lambs

Receipts of sheep and lambs was light and market was about steady with the close of last week. Best lambs here sold at \$17.15 but there was nothing real choice here. Yearlings sold up to \$14.75, wethers sold up to \$13.00, ewes \$12.25 and feeders up to \$15.85.

J. A. Rickart,
Market Correspondent.

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Midland, Texas

TEXAS TEACHERS TO MEET IN DALLAS

Teaching of Patriotism and Conservation Urged in All Public Schools of State

Dallas was chosen over Galveston as the 1918 meeting place of the Texas State Teachers' Association by the executive committee of that organization, in session at the Oriental Hotel a few days ago. The meeting will open on Thanksgiving Day and continue three days.

In presenting Dallas as a candidate for the meeting, J. F. Kimball, superintendent of the city schools, said that this city would not have asked for the convention if Houston had been in position to entertain the visitors.

Following the adjournment of the meeting, Dr. W. B. Bizzell, of College Station, president of the association, said that in his judgment there should be at least 4,000 teachers in attendance at the convention this year. Approximately 3,000 attended last year's meeting, but he believes that because of the facilities here for caring for visitors the attendance will be greatly increased.

Texas teachers were urged by the committee to direct their attention and energies to assisting in creating a better understanding of problems, policies and needs of the United States government in the present year.

It was declared that the teacher has an unusual opportunity to contribute to the public welfare at this time. The teachers were urged by the committee to confine their efforts to this program.

"Give larger emphasis in your schools to patriotic music. Provide a flag of your country for your school-room and teach the children about its history and symbolism.

"Make it a point from time to time to discuss with advanced pupils causes of the war the accomplishments of our government in meeting the war situation and emphasize the righteousness and justness of our position.

"Use every opportunity in and out of the schoolroom to create a spirit of patriotism and loyalty to the country in this world crisis, emphasize the importance of the American people thinking, acting and serving together at this time. Much of the criticism that has come to those bearing the burdens of our war situation has been due to the misunderstanding of the problems. It is your duty as one of the agencies in the formation of public opinion to explain the difficulties of the situation and the need for complete confidence in those responsible for directing our war activities.

"Familiarize yourself with the regulations of the Food Administration. Urge the people of your community to observe them with strictness; explain the reasons for these regulations both to the children and to the public. It may be advisable in many cases to place on the blackboard the weekly schedule of wheatless and meatless days.

"Assist in the war garden movement. Use the nature study period to talk about what to plant in the garden and how to prepare the soil bed. It will be possible in many cases for teachers to assist in the feed and food campaign now being conducted by several agencies in the State. Wherever possible this should be done.

"At the proper time the teachers should assist in the plans for the conservation of food. The importance of this can not be overestimated. Knowledge of canning and drying of perishable foods will be very helpful to the teacher.

"The testing time has come with all our social institutions. The school is no exception. It must justify its right to public support and esteem during the present war situation. Every teacher should feel his share in this responsibility. We must appreciate the fact that the burden and responsibility of this war does not rest upon our soldiers and sailors alone, but upon every man, woman and child. There must be no slackers among the school teachers of Texas."

The Texas delegates to the National Educational Association, which meets this month in Atlantic City, were instructed to co-operate with the delegates from other States in co-ordinating the State associations more closely with the national body. About fifty school superintendents and principals are expected to attend from Texas.

A resolution was adopted providing for the establishment of a teachers' bureau, which will be conducted from the office of the secretary, J. T. Ellis, of Fort Worth.

Work of Teachers' Bureau
The purpose of this bureau will be to assist teachers in securing positions and to furnish to school boards reliable data as to the qualifications of teachers who are applicants for



As the Number of Telephones Increase, the Investment and Expense per Telephone Increases

This is unlike other industries, due to the growing amount of intricate and expensive equipment necessary to promptly inter-connect all subscribers; because the average number of calls per telephone increases as the opportunity to talk grows; and because the force of employees required to make the connections increases out of proportion to the number of additional telephones and to gain in revenue.

The number of employees per telephone, the average wage per operating employee, and the price of all materials and supplies used in this industry, have steadily increased in the last few years.

The company must grow with Midland, must properly maintain its plant, replace and improve equipment and furnish service, pay expenses and secure the necessary capital for extensions and improvements.

The rates must be fair to attract and satisfy subscribers—and fair to the company, so it may furnish efficient service.

The Western Telephone Co.

INTERESTING LETTER FROM MIDLAND BOY

Mrs. Pearl C. Filler recently received the following letter from her son, Arthur, with the American forces in France:

Dec. 19, 1917,

Dear Mother: How are all the folks at home? I am getting along fine and growing all the time. It sure is cold over here. It snowed a few days ago and now the ground is frozen until you almost slip down walking, but I don't get a bit cold, because I've gotten used to the weather. Say, I haven't gotten a letter from you all in about two or three weeks. I haven't written in a good while because I've been busy and just haven't got at it, but I know you all can write pretty often. Well I wish I was back there to spend Christmas, but I guess I'll be back some day. I think maybe the government will give us a little bag with something in it for Christmas, and a big turkey dinner. We had a big turkey dinner Thanksgiving day.

Now I'll tell you, you must not worry about me, and if you could see me and know how well I'm getting along I know you wouldn't. We are working every day but have plenty to eat, plenty of warm clothes and a warm place to sleep. Well that's about all I know, so write soon. I will tell you all about the trip when I get back.
Arthur.

To Our Customers and Friends

We have been doing a cash business for the past eight months. But, during this time, we have taken quite a few HOLD tickets in different cases.

We have now decided to eliminate these HOLD tickets, and adhere strictly to the cash rule. This means that we must have the money over the counter for each and every purchase.

This is, no doubt, the best and most economical way of doing business for both you and ourselves, and we solicit your esteemed patronage on this basis.

If we are now holding any tickets for you, please call and settle same.

Midland Hardware Co.

'A Square Deal to All'

REMEMBER—Everything strictly cash after January, 1918.



MAXWELL

\$1195
F. O. B. DETROIT

The apple always falls to the ground. It cannot FALL UP.

The price of the Maxwell closed cars—\$1195—was fixed in accordance with another inexorable law.

For less than \$1195 it would be impossible to give you closed cars combining—as they are combined in the Maxwell—beauty, grace, comfort, efficiency, durability, economy and standard equipment.

For more than that, on the other hand, you could only get larger size or fancier furnishings.

Five-Passenger Sedan, \$1195; Six-Passenger Town Car, \$1195; Touring Car with All-Weather Top, \$835; Touring Car, \$745; Roadster, \$745. All Prices F. O. B. Detroit

Price Auto Co.
MIDLAND, TEXAS

QUARTER BUYS FIVE BULLETS

ONE THRIFT STAMP FILLS RIFLE'S MAGAZINE—BABY BOND GETS U. S. SOLDIER PAIR OF SHOES.

If you have an idea that your quarters won't help win the war and do lots of service when invested in thrift stamps and war savings stamps, just look over this table. The little bonds are translated in terms of soldier equipment. Here's how they stack up:

- 1 Thrift Stamp—5 Bullets.
- 1 War Savings Stamp—1 Pair of Shoes.
- 1 War Savings Stamp—2 Woolen Shirts.
- 1 War Savings Stamp—4 Winter Undershirts.
- 1 War Savings Stamp—1 Steel Helmet and \$1.12 over.
- 1 War Savings Stamp—1 Shelter Tent and part payment on Overcoat.

Those quarters will do the Government lots of good. And remember you are not giving them away, but lending them at four per cent interest compounded quarterly.

A single thrift stamp doesn't look very large and the quarter it costs doesn't seem like it would count for very much, but that thrift stamp means five bullets for one of our soldiers—a clip of cartridges, they'll fill the magazine of his rifle. With them he may save his life and the lives of two or three American heroes in France.

These little war bonds will do lots of big things. Ammunition is being furnished with them, hungry soldiers fed, fighters kept warm in No Man's land, lives saved—enough of them will bring victory, save the Nation and liberate thousands of poor Europeans whose condition is worse than slavery.

They stand for patriotism, those little certificates which cost only a trifle. They are evidences of willingness to serve and back up the boys in the trenches. People who refrain from spending their money on unnecessary things and put it in the tiny war bonds don't have to talk about their loyalty—they are proving it, paying for it.

The price of the victory stamps can be saved or made in a thousand ways. Luxuries can be left unbought and thrift stamps purchased instead. Everyone can give up luxuries, because nearly everyone spends money for things he is not compelled to have. Money saved is money made. Let part of the money in the pay envelope be put to work for Uncle Sam and the Liberty boys. The old hen out there at the barn can help you. Every time she lays a dozen eggs you have the price of two thrift stamps—that's ten bullets. There are just lots of ways to earn the little treasury bonds.

Those little stamps stand for something else—thrift and prosperity. You help the Government when you buy them, but you also help yourself. You have saved the money, it will come in handy later on, and when you get it back will get a lot of extra nickels and dimes and dollars with it. Every minute of the time since you lent it to the Government it will have been working for you—making more money for you. When you buy thrift stamps you are not giving away a thing—you are getting paid for everything you have done.

Have the pleasure of knowing that one of those soldiers "over there" is wearing a pair of shoes you bought for him; that a coat your money purchased is keeping him warm; that the ammunition you got for him will help him out of tight places and bring him back home to those who love him.

PLANS MADE TO ENLIST 91,000 TEXAS FACTORY EMPLOYEES AS SAVERS

Plans to enlist the 91,000 factory workers of Texas as members of the thrift army have been suggested by L. J. Black of Beaumont, president of one of the largest manufacturing concerns in the South, and approved by Louis Lipsitz, State Director of the National War Savings Committee.

The concern, of which Mr. Black is president, has given every one of its employees a thrift stamp. Since the gift was made, nearly every worker has added five or six stamps every week to his thrift card. That his employees will have no difficulty in buying the little war bonds, Mr. Black has established a stamp sales agency at the plant; the cashier acts as selling agent.

Mr. Lipsitz is anxious that all of the 5,084 manufacturing plants in Texas make it easy for their employees to buy savings stamps and help them to put aside a definite amount every week. He has suggested that all of these factories, large and small, make arrangements to place thrift and war savings stamps on sale in their plants.

If each of the 91,000 workers buys a thrift stamp every week the aggregate weekly investment will be \$22,750. If they put up a quarter every week for a year, they will have lent the Government \$1,183,000. The Government pays 4 per cent interest compounded quarterly. The interest alone on this would be a snug little fortune.

RECORDS BEING MADE IN THRIFT CAMPAIGN BY TEXAS PATRIOTS

Since it was announced by Louis Lipsitz, State Director of the National War Savings Committee, that the Government expects Texans to purchase thrift stamps and savings certificates valued at \$91,000,000, enthusiastic workers have rolled up a number of records that speak volumes for Lone Star patriotism.

The people of Cherokee county lead the counties in the State in the number of limit buyers—persons who have purchased the maximum amount of bonds the individual is permitted to own. The county has eighty-eight members—in its—Thousand—Dollar Club; in Jacksonville alone, seventy-two persons have "gone the limit" and bought "baby bonds" valued at \$1,000. A. G. Adams is county chairman. Letter carriers, the blue-clad men who plow through snow and mud and sun to fill Texas mail boxes, have become enthusiastic ministers of the new gospel of thrift which will help win the war and make possessors out of slackers. R. A. Furr, rural mail carrier in Collin County, has sold more than \$6,500 worth of stamps; \$2,209 of this represents the work of a single day. He travels 28.5 miles every week day and delivers over 4,000,000 pieces of mail every twelve months.

C. D. Morrow, a Sherman letter carrier has also hung up a record. He has sold the persons on his route little Government war bonds valued at more than \$1,162.84. In a single day he took orders for \$566.20 worth of thrift stamps.

The business men and bankers of Abilene wanted to tell Taylor County people what an excellent and patriotic form of investment is the purchase of thrift stamps, so they used six full page advertisements and thirty smaller ones in the Taylor County Times to tell Uncle Sam's story. The hearty co-operation of Texas newspaper men is piling up records of publicity and patriotism everywhere.

Tucker Royall lives in Palestine. He's a busy man, but he found time to sell \$1,000 certificates to each of thirty Palestine business men and Anderson County farmers and run a bank. Every bank should be a thrift stamp sales agency and advise its patrons to put some of their savings in war certificates, Mr. Royall says.

APPROPRIATE BIRTHDAY GIFTS.

The most appropriate birthday gifts this year are thrift stamps and war savings stamps. The practice of giving the little money saving bonds has already sprung up in Texas. Such a gift has deep significance and it may be the means of starting the one who receives it on the road to thrift and wealth, especially children, Louis Lipsitz, State Director of the National War Savings Committee, points out.

ROUNTREE W. S. S. ENTHUSIAST.

Lee J. Rountree of Georgetown, secretary and former president of the National Editorial Association, is an enthusiastic supporter of the thrift doctrine. He is a heavy investor in war savings stamps and he urges others to buy them.

SHERMAN PEOPLE THRIFTY.

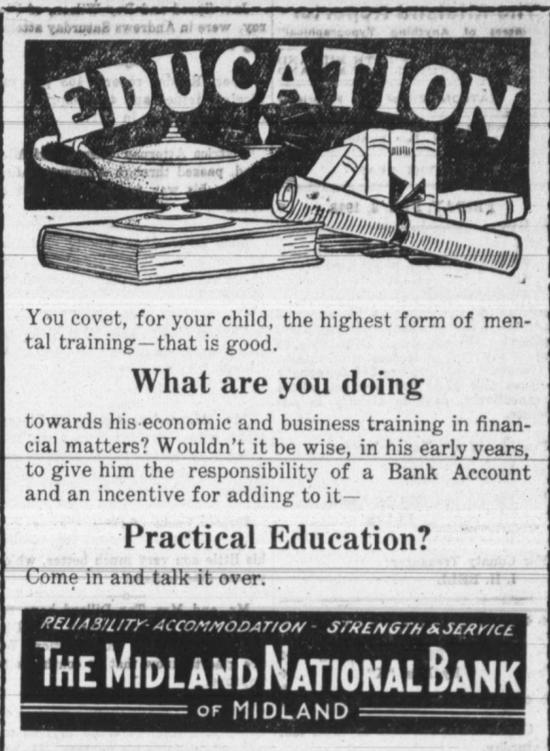
Sherman people are religiously practicing the thrift lessons urged by the government. Not only are they putting something aside every day for war bond purchasing, but they have decided to invest the interest from their Liberty bonds in war savings stamps. Sherman people have a yearly revenue of over \$40,000 from their Liberty bonds. By converting this money into the "baby bonds," they are making the interest earn interest.

LESSONS OF THRIFT.

W. F. Doughty, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, has promised that 1,000,000 of the 1,200,000 school children in Texas will be told about War Savings Stamps and the lesson of thrift impressed upon them. Superintendent Doughty has made many speeches throughout the state on War Savings work and through him there has been distributed to the 39,000 school teachers of Texas an outline of the three weeks' campaign that is now being carried on in the schools, and it is expected that this will be the foundation of a regular course of study in the new ideas of goods and service, and the necessity for economy for the purpose of winning the war.

PASTE IT ON.

If a Thrift Stamp you can buy, Paste it on. Bif the kaiser in the eye. Paste it on. Don't forget, 'twill help you, too, Interest on it will accrue. And 'twill all come back to you, Paste it on.



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TEXAN FORECASTS WET SEASON FOR 1918

One year ago I gave the farmers warning of a dry season for 1917 and many papers kindly published it, though skeptical of my prediction. Some farmers heeded my warning and came out better than those who did not. The year, however, exceeded all expectations and precedents as to the length of the drouth. The drouth should have ended by heavy rains all over Texas, in late summer or early fall, like other preceding years ending in the figure 7. This prolonged drouth has greatly discouraged the farmers and made them dubious about planting a crop for 1918. The stockmen are more seriously damaged by the prolonged drouth than the farmers, who can more easily recuperate their losses than the stockmen.

The dry fall curtailed the sowing of wheat and winter oats and the acreage of wheat will be small in Texas, but there is yet plenty of time to sow oats. The wheat planted has yet a bare chance to make a profitable crop. The snow and light rains that the severe blizzard brought on the 10th to many localities in Texas will start the wheat off in many places and bring it up in others and other rains I have predicted for January will keep it growing and bring up all wheat not up already. February will be a fairly reasonable month and if my forecasts come true we will get two good rains and probably two more light ones, distributed through the month. Oats should be sown on a large scale during this month and up to March 10th. Much corn should be planted during this same period. Subsequent months will be season-

able enough to make fairly good crops of all kinds with heavy rains to floods in July and August in Texas. All insect pests were at a minimum during 1917, and will be less during 1918, about the only advantage that the drouth has brought. Hence cotton can be planted in many localities with safety where it had been abandoned heretofore on account of the boll weevil.

This is the way I see it, Mr. Editor, and if you think this will encourage my brother farmers, I will be glad that you publish the above general forecast.

H. A. Halbert.
Coleman, Texas, Jan. 13, 1918
Taken from Marfa New Era.

Getting Rid of Colds

The easiest and quickest way to get rid of a cold is to take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. This preparation has been in use for many years and its value fully proven. No matter what remedy you use, however, care must be taken not to contract a second cold before you have recovered from the first one, and there is serious danger of this. A man of middle age or older should go to bed and stay in bed until fully recovered. It is better to stay in bed three days at the start than three weeks later on.

For sale by C. A. Taylor & Son, Ltd.

W. J. Wooten, ranching in the Jal country, was here the latter part of last week and reports light losses.

No wood or coal will be unloaded unless paid for on delivery. Midland Fuel Company, phone 216 or 270.

adv 16tf
R. D. Ennis, section foreman, of Germania, was in with his section men this week loading out with supplies.

We would like to accommodate everybody, but can not possibly do so. Midland Fuel Company. adv16 tf

LEFT SUNDAY NIGHT TO JOIN THE ARMY

C. H. Hahn is a nephew of Dr. W. K. Curtis, and came to Midland about a year ago to work on the latter's ranch. He has been a splendid worker and manager, but his patriotism has finally over-ridden all other considerations. He was not subject to military draft, but he has wanted to go, and Sunday night he left for El Paso to offer his services. He is not particular where they put him, just so they do put him. He is a fine young man and the best wishes of this community follow him.

PUPILS OF MISS LUTHER TO GIVE RECITAL

Miss Frank Luther, teacher of piano, authorizes the announcement that her pupils will give a recital on Friday night, Feb. 22nd. Further announcement will appear in this paper next week.

We are sorry to lose Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Powell from our city. Mr. Powell has been employed in the Midland Steam Laundry and goes to Waco to accept a similar position.

John Hix came in from Fort Worth last Monday morning and will be here for some two weeks.



For the Blue-Jackets

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FRIDAY, FEB. 8, 1918

Announcements

All candidates announcing in this column, do so subject to the action of the Democratic primary on July 27th, pledging themselves, as Democrats, to abide the party's decrees in all things.

For Sheriff and Tax Collector: W. E. BRADFORD SAM PRESTON

For County and District Clerk: NEWNIE W. ELLIS R. L. PARKS

For County Treasurer: I. H. BELL

NEWS FROM ANDREWS By Mrs. "X"

Claude Campbell was in town last Saturday.

I. H. Bryant, of Shafter Lake, was a visitor in Andrews Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Cook were visitors to Andrews Sunday.

Mrs. M. A. Thornberry is spending the week with Mrs. M. I. Phillips.

Misses Rebecca and Agnes Thornberry were visitors in Andrews Wednesday.

Mrs. Andy Williams who has been quite sick for the past several days is much better.

M. I. Phillips and A. N. Brown were in Midland last Wednesday to attend to business matters.

Miss Spires, after visiting her brother here left last week for Midland for a short visit.

Jno. Speed and Roy Wilson, of Florey, were in Andrews Saturday attending to business matters.

Sheri Rhodes reports 108 poll tax receipts issued and 4 exemptions for Andrews County in 1917.

District Attorney Garrard, of Midland, passed through Andrews Saturday on his way to his ranch west of town.

Mrs. M. E. Sims, county chairman of the war savings certificates and thrift stamps, has sold \$42 worth of the week.

We are glad to know that little Mabel Clewis, daughter of James M. Clewis, who has pneumonia, is reported much improved.

Mr. Alexander, agent at Florey, while unloading feed from a car into a truck, received several injuries and is unable temporarily to attend to his duties.

Hunter Irwin, of Shafter Lake, was in Andrews last Saturday. He reports his little son very much better, which we are glad to hear.

Mr. and Mrs. Tar Dillard have returned from Midland where Mr. Dillard has been for an operation. We are glad to know that he continues to improve.

Elmathan Umberson, who is clerk in Camp McAuthor at Waco, arrived today on a visit to his parents. He has just past the civil service examination, obtaining a first grade certificate.

F. E. Price returned from points in East Texas last week where he took a car load of horses and mules. With the exception of losing three head in transit he reports a fairly successful trip.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Crews and children left Saturday for Amarillo where they will make their home. Mr. Crews is engaged in the ranching business in that territory. This family will be a great loss to the social circles of Andrews.

The honor roll for the Andrews public school for January is as follows: 1st grade—Dorsey Pinnell.

4th grade—Aubrey Brown and Edna Hall.

6th grade—Lula Price.

7th grade—Edith Hall.

A few of the young people met at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Means on Saturday evening and enjoyed a "42" party until a late hour. A. W. Logsdon with his violin and Miss Fannie Moxley with the piano, furnished music for the evening. The guests departed assuring the host and hostess of a very pleasant time.

Judge T. M. Smith resigned at a meeting of the commissioners' court last Monday and A. N. Brown was appointed his successor. Judge Smith and family leave in the next few days for Portales, N. M., where they will make their future home. Friends deeply regret the removal of this family from Andrews and good wishes go with them.

When children just out of the confines of the school room, receive an invitation to a social gathering, they are more than delighted to take advantage of the pleasure awaiting them. So on Saturday afternoon from 2:30 to 4:30 little Miss Olean Rhodes entertained her friends, this being her twelfth birthday. Twenty-four bright and happy little faces could be seen flitting through the rooms playing all sorts of games so dear to their little hearts, one only had to glance at the merry party to see that fun was the motto. Olean was assisted in entertaining by her sister, Miss Vieve, and Miss Zella Meador. Delicious sandwiches, pickles, cake and chocolate were served and the happy boys and girls departed for their homes.

News has been received here of the marriage of C. A. Smith, of Abilene, and Miss Verlin Routh, of this place, which occurred at Abilene on Jan. 25. The bride is the granddaughter of Mr. J. H. Routh and a sister of Mrs. Will Aycock, both of Andrews. She has lived in this town for the past eight years and made many warm friends during her sojourn here who wish for her many joys and much happiness for the coming years. The groom is a soldier boy now stationed at Camp Bowie. He was visiting in Abilene and Miss Routh was attending the Draughan's Business College when the young people met, their meeting proving a case of "love at first sight." Mr. and Mrs. Smith left immediately for Fort Worth where Mrs. Smith has rooms and her husband returned to his duties at Camp Bowie.

O. A. Wilson, a former citizen of Midland, but now of Princeton, Texas, was here this week on business.



By Lydie G. Watson, Phone 88

A Pleasant Visit to Midland College

On last Wednesday morning upon the invitation of the senior class, Misses Lydie G. Watson and Hazel Frederick, Messrs. Ned Watson and Levinson went out to Midland College and gave a musical program. Last year two of this same party in company with Prof. Maurice Derdeyn, were invited by the juniors on their class day, and they appreciated the courtesy of the invitation being repeated this year, when those same rollicking juniors have become "grave and reverend seniors," soon to receive their crinkly diplomas. It was a very joyous occasion; the orchestra was met down stairs by the seniors, a fine body of young ladies and gentlemen and together they all marched up to the chapel where the guests were presented to the student body. The stage was artistically decorated with pennants in the class colors yellow and black.

The orchestra gave a program of about an hour, which seemed to be received with much appreciation.

Midland College is enjoying a very successful year and is justly proud of its senior class. A splendid crowd of boys and girls, whom after the glories of their graduation, and they go out to face the responsibilities of the big, round world, we predict will continue to reflect credit upon their Alma Mater.

Chafing Dish Party

One of the very pretty and enjoyable social happenings of the week was the chafing dish party given by Miss Susie Brunson on last Saturday evening at her attractive suburban home in North Midland. The guests motored out in the early evening, and soon were all deep into the mysterious charm of chafing dish cookery. The dining table was already set and it was indeed a "festive board" when the supper was all "good and done." The menu was particularly delectable, consisting of creamed chicken, salad, sandwiches, cheese, olives, chocolate and cake.

Miss Lula Mae Brunson in a very pleasing manner entertained the company with her music. Informality was the keynote of the occasion and a thoroughly good time was enjoyed by everyone. The personnel of the party was composed of Misses Tally, Green, Harris, Little and Lydie G. Watson. Mrs. Brunson, Misses Susie and Lula Mae, and Mr. Henry Brunson.

In Memoriam

Baby Dorris Dublin Much tender and loving sympathy is being extended Mr. and Mrs. John Dublin in the death of their baby girl which occurred last Saturday afternoon, after an illness of nine days. Little Dorris was a winsome baby just fourteen months and twenty-five days old. She had bright eyes, curly hair, and possessed all those infantile charms and graces, which make a baby so lovely, so precious. She was the only child and to the bereft young parents, she seemed indeed, a breath of love, breathed from the skies, or a star beam sent direct from Heaven. The funeral services were conducted Sunday afternoon, at the residence of Mrs. A. T. Terry, by Rev. J. W. Cowan. Miss Lula Mae Brunson also very sweetly sang a Cradle Song. Death is but a name and Baby Dorris, who seemed the embodiment of innocence, joy and grace, has only been transferred to that "house not made with hands" and now all is indeed "well with thy child."

Mrs. Chris Scharbauer at Home

February 14 An event, scheduled for next Thursday and which promises much charm and pleasure, will be the tea, given by circle number 2, of the Woman's Auxilliary of the Baptist church next Thursday afternoon, Feb. 14 at the lovely new home of Mr. and Mrs. Chris Scharbauer. The ladies are working indefatigably to make it a success and you and your friends are very cordially invited to attend. An interesting program is being arranged and a free will offering will be given. Don't forget the date—Valentine's Day, from three 'till six o'clock. Be sure and attend and enjoy the good time and cherry hospitality awaiting you.

Mrs. S. O. Richardson returned on Tuesday last, from Baird, where she has been for the past month, engaged in abstract work.

Wednesday Club

The Wednesday Club met in regular session Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. W. K. Curtis and enjoyed a most delightful meeting. The annual election of officers was held and the name of Mrs. Henry M. Half was presented for president and she was unanimously elected. The following are the names of the other officers elected: Vice president, Mrs. John Half. Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. L. DeArmond. Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Holmesly. Program Committee, Mesdames Holt, Watts and Caldwell. This club, which has formerly been a study as well as social organization, this winter has devoted all its energies to Red Cross work, and the members have indeed served well, in their patriotic zeal.

99 Club

Mrs. F. E. Rankin, who has but recently returned home from an extended visit in East Texas, was hostess to the 99 Club Tuesday afternoon. She received her guests in the parlors of the Llano Hotel, and the meeting was particularly interesting and enjoyable. This club has made a special and profitable study of Shakespeare this winter, and upon this occasion Mrs. Jim Poole, in a most intelligent and interesting manner, conducted the lesson. The following officers were elected for the next term: President, Mrs. Poole. Vice president, Mrs. F. E. Rankin. Recording Secretary, Mrs. Anthony. Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. White. Parliamentarian, Miss Tanner.

Red Cross Notes

The Red Cross work is "speeding up." The rooms are open Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. No one is excluded, but everyone is warmly welcomed at any time. The Baptist ladies will have charge of the sewing on Tuesday. The following is the very creditable amount of work done last week: Friday, Feb. 1st—3 suits pajamas cut, 2 suits pajamas made. Tuesday Feb. 4—5 suits pajamas cut; 4 suits made; 48 button holes made by Mrs. B. Pemberton.

Shipped to St. Louis, Feb. 6—65

suits pajamas; 24 bed socks; 12 shoulder wraps; 8 convalescent robes.

Rev. L. A. Webb, one of the former pastors of the Methodist church, and who is now serving his fourth year as presiding elder of the Weatherford district, made a business visit to Midland the early part of the week.

Mrs. Louise Frederick, who for the past two weeks has been the guest of her daughters, Mrs. R. M. Clayton, Jr., and Miss Hazel Frederick, will leave tomorrow for her home in Sher.

Mrs. Henry M. Half, who has been very ill of typhoid fever, is now very much improved, and many friends wish for her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Ellis are now pleasantly located at the Whitefield place, having moved this week from the Llano Hotel.

Miss Pearl McCormick, who has been working in a wholesale millinery establishment in Dallas, returned to Midland the latter part of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Massey and baby, of Roswell, N. M., are visiting Mrs. Massey's mother, Mrs. Laura Wright.

Miss Aubrey Fletcher, of Odessa, spent Sunday in Midland, the guest of Miss Ruth Brock.

Miss Maggie McCormick will leave this week for the eastern market.

Mrs. J. P. Robertson, of Hereford, was shopping in Midland this week.

Mr. W. W. Lackey was a week end visitor to Dallas last week.

The Girl Scouts will meet Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Odd Fellows hall. Bring your knitting. Ethel Moore.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Wadley-Patterson on Tuesday, Feb. 12, Buster Brown and Tige. adv

A. S. Bean, rancher from Van Horn, was here Wednesday on business.

Chas. Edwards is at the Edwards Bros.' ranch this week near Monahans.

Frank Cowden and wife were in this week from their ranch northwest of Odessa.

Mat Mosely and wife were here the first of the week from Upton County.

Quincy Cooper and wife came down from Odessa Wednesday on a shopping trip.

Geo. McLaughlin was here from Upton County a few days this week on business.

Judge S. J. Isaacs was here this week from El Paso in attendance up-district court.

Attorney W. P. Brady, of El Paso, was here this week in attendance up-district court.

A. G. McLintic was here Wednesday from Mount Pleasant, to appear before the examining board.

Perry Parr was in this week from Clayton Bros.' ranch to appear before the examining board.

Wade Johnson and family were here this week from their ranch, ten miles southwest of Odessa.

C. A. Toby passed through Midland Tuesday en route from Abilene to his ranch near Cooper, N. M.

J. R. Anderson was in this week from the Goldsmith ranch to the north where he has been the past 18 months.

O. W. Flanagan was in from his ranch Wednesday. He reports some losses but most cattle wintering fairly well.

I. W. Towers now has his popcorn and peanut stand in the vacant building adjoining the Broken Dollar store.

Claude Hutphen, of Camp Travis, came in this week on 14 days' furlough. He is visiting his parents in Andrews County.

J. Brown came in this week from Lake Arthur, N. M., where he has his cattle interests. Reports that he has sustained no losses.

On next Tuesday Buster Brown and Tige will entertain the children at Wadley-Patterson's store. adv

John Peters, Chas. Tom and Attorney Steve Pratt were here this week from Stanton attending district court.

E. F. King was here Monday from the "Jal" range. He reports some losses, but that the range is holding up very well.

All the children come out to Wadley-Patterson's store on Tuesday, Feb. 12th and see Buster Brown and his trained dog, Tige.

C. J. Adair, cowman from near Seminole, was in the city Wednesday on business. He renewed his subscription to The Reporter.

Geo. D. Elliott came in last night from Tucson, Ariz., his new home, and says he and his family are delighted with the climate out there.

Frank Waddell and wife were in from their Crane County ranch Wednesday. Mr. Waddell is now feeding a bunch of cows and calves. He reports some losses.

Jno. F. Lane, cowman from Upton County, was in town Wednesday on business. He reports light losses of cattle in his section during the recent severe cold spells.

O. O. Burselson and Will Trammell, cowmen from near Lamesa, were in Midland this week on business. They report some losses of live stock as a result of the late blizzard.

H. L. McBee came in this week from M. J. Allen's ranch northwest of Odessa. He reports live stock doing well considering the severe weather through which they have passed.

Jno. R. Johnson was in this week from his Upton County ranch. He says weeds are coming up as a result of the recent snows, but unless rain is had very soon these will not do much good.

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FOR SALE—J trade for cattle 191.

FOR SALE—A sweetest toned ever seen; in I will pay you to you want to be Store.

WOOD—See V 285 for wood.

FOR SALE—automobile for land Storage E

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LOST—Saturd jewel gold case, Metal fob nam Saba, Texas. fice.

FURNITURE

ROOMS—For Bath, electric only 1.1-2 block on Wall Street 224.

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FOR SALE—automobile for land Storage E

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Knowledge plus Training is Power

Classical education is all right. The ability to measure the distance of the remotest star or to read with fluency the thoughts of people who lived centuries ago—thoughts expressed in their own language—is indeed a magnificent accomplishment. But Business Firms, the large corporations, prefer that class of Red Blooded Americans who, instead of wasting time trying to solve the age-old riddle of why a black hen lays a white egg, content themselves with learning the best way to GET THE EGG. In America

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FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS

FOR SALE—Section land. Good improvements, situated 9 miles west of town. For further particulars apply to C. Holzgraf, Midland, Texas. 11-1p

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FOR SALE—My residence, or will trade for cattle. Robt. Currie, phone 191. 17-1f

FOR SALE AT A BARGAIN—The sweetest toned player-piano we have ever seen; in perfect condition. It will pay you to investigate, whether you want to buy or not. City Drug Store. 47-1f

WOOD—See W. L. Clark or phone 285 for wood. 40-1f

FOR SALE—1916 model 6-cylinder automobile for sale at a bargain. Midland Storage Battery Co. 9-1f

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Saturday, Feb. 4, 18 size, 15 jewel gold case, open face Elgin watch. Metal fob name of S. F. Wells, San Saba, Texas. Leave at Reporter's office. 18-4t

FURNISHED ROOMS

ROOMS—For light housekeeping. Bath, electric lights, telephone, etc. only 1-2 block east of Lland Hotel on Wall Street. Mrs. Jemison, phone 224. 41-1f

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BUSINESS NOTICES

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PASTURAGE—Can pasture 500 head of cattle to May 1st at my ranch 27 miles southwest of Midland. Can also furnish help to few cattle. Plenty of old grass and fairly good late grass produced by late fall rains. Twenty sections fenced in four pastures. Will Manning, Midland, Texas. 15-1f

REGISTERED BOAR—A Duroc-Jersey, a fine individual. You will like him. At the old McClure yard. S. H. Gwyn, owner. 9-1f

Cold weather is coming. Don't crank your head off on that Ford Coleman & Allen have just installed a special machine for re-charging magnets, and it does the work without you having to take down your motor. adv52-1f

NOTICE OF ESTRAY—Two ponies, one a black about 1 1/2 hands high, about ten years old and rather poor; has star in face and white tip on nose. The other brown Roman nose pony, small star in face, about 14 1/2 to 15 hands high; has one white hind foot, and three years old. Neither pony branded. Suitable reward. Strayed about first of January from W. G. Jackson & Son's ranch, 12 miles southeast of Midland. Phone information to W. G. Jackson, phone 317-L. 11-1f

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**TRIAL OF FELIX JONES
IN PROGRESS AT EL PASO**

El Paso, Feb. 4.—The trial of Felix Jones, charged with murder in connection with the killing of Thomas Lyons of Silver City, N. M., was begun here today.

The selection of a jury from the special venire of 500 men is expected to consume the entire day.

The first fifty veniremen were excused this morning without getting a single jurymen. It is believed a second venire will be necessary. Witnesses were called and sworn today.

Jones is in jail here, having been refused bond by trial and higher courts. There are two charges against him, murder and robbery by use of deadly weapons.

Mrs. J. B. Deardoff is reported quite ill with fever.

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Sugar Cost 35 Cents a Pound During Civil War—Refiners' Profits Now Curtailed.

Sugar is selling today throughout America at from 8 1/2 to 9 cents a pound to the consumer, even though there is a world shortage which has reduced this nation's sugar allotment to 70 per cent. of normal.

Through the efforts of the United States food administration the sugar market has been regulated as far as the producer, refiner and wholesaler is concerned. The food administration has no power to regulate retail prices except by public opinion. Even though more than 85,000 tons of sugar have been shipped to France in the last four months the retail grocer's sugar price is around 8 to 8 1/2 cents. He should sell this sugar at 8 1/2 to 9 cents, the food administration believes, and asks the American housewife to pay no more than this amount.

Last August when the food administration was organized the price of sugar rose suddenly to 11 cents a pound. During the Civil War sugar cost the consumer 35 cents a pound. By regulation of the sugar market and reducing the price to 8 1/2 and 9 cents and keeping it from advancing to 20 cents the food administration has saved the American public at least \$180,000,000 in four months, according to a statement made by Herbert Hoover the other day.

"It is our stern duty to feed the allies, to maintain their health and strength at any cost to ourselves," Mr. Hoover declared. "There has not been, nor will be as we see it, enough sugar for even their present meagre and depressing ration unless they send ships to remote markets for it. If we in our greed and gluttony force them either to further reduce their ration or to send these ships we will have done damage to our abilities to win this war."

"If we send the ships to Java for 250,000 tons of sugar next year we will have necessitated the employment of eleven extra ships for one year. These ships—if used in transporting troops—would take 150,000 to 200,000 men to France."

Reason for World Shortage.
As Mr. Hoover pointed out, the United States, Canada and England were sugar importing countries before the war, while France and Italy were very nearly self supporting. The main sources of the world's sugar supply was Germany and neighboring powers, the West Indies and the East Indies. German sugar is no longer available, as it is used entirely in Germany, which also absorbs sugar of surrounding countries.

England can no longer buy 1,400,000 long tons of sugar each year from Germany. The French sugar production has dropped from 750,000 to 210,000 tons. The Italian production has fallen from 210,000 tons to 75,000 tons. Thus three countries were thrown upon East and West Indian sources for 1,925,000 tons annually to maintain their normal consumption.

Because of the world's shipping shortage the allied nations started drawing on the West Indies for sugar. East Indian sugar took three times the number of ships, since the distance was three times as great. Suddenly the west was called on to furnish and did furnish 1,420,000 tons of sugar to Europe when 300,000 tons a year was the pre-war demand. The allies had drawn from Java 400,000 tons before the shipping situation became acute.

"In spite of these shipments," Mr. Hoover stated the other day, "the English government in August reduced the household sugar ration to a basis of 24 pounds per annum per capita. And in September the French government reduced their household ration to 13 1/2 to 14 pounds a year, or a bit over 1 pound of sugar a month. Even this meagre ration could not be filled by the French government. It was found early in the fall. America was then asked for 100,000 tons of sugar and succeeded in sending 85,000 tons by December 1. The French request was granted because the American household consumption was then at least 55 pounds per person, and it was considered the duty of maintaining the French morale made our course clear."

Today the sugar situation may be summarized by stating that if America will reduce its sugar consumption 10 to 15 per cent. this nation will be able to send 200,000 more soldiers to France.

Sugar today sells at seaboard refineries at \$7.25 a hundred pounds. The wholesale grocer has agreed to limit his profit to 25 cents a hundred plus freight, and the retail grocer is supposed to take no more than 50 cents a hundred pounds profit. This regulation was made by the food administration, which now asks the housewife to reduce sugar consumption as much as possible, using other sweeteners, and also reminds her that she should pay no more than 9 cents a pound for sugar.

Control of Cane Refiners' Profits.
"Immediately upon the establishment of the food administration," Mr. Hoover said, "an examination was made of the costs and profits of refining and it was finally determined that the spread between the cost of raw and the sale of refined cane sugar should be limited to \$1.30 per hundred pounds. The pre-war differential had averaged about 85 cents and increased costs were found to have been imposed by the war in increased cost of refining, losses, cost of bags, labor, insurance, interest and other things, rather more than cover the difference. After prolonged negotiations the refiners were placed under agreement establishing these limits on October 1, and anything over this amount to be agreed extortionate under the law."

"In the course of these investigations it was found by canvass of the Cuban producers that their sugar had, during the first nine months of the past year, sold for an average of about \$4.24 per hundred f. o. b. Cuba, to which duty and freight added to the refiners' cost amount to about \$5.66 per hundred. The average sale price of granulated by various refineries, according to our investigation, was about \$7.50 per hundred, or a differential of \$1.84.

"In reducing the differential to \$1.30 there was a saving to the public of 54 cents per hundred. Had such a differential been in use from the 1st of January, 1917, the public would have saved in the first nine months of the year about \$24,800,000."

Next Year.
With a view to more efficient organization of the trade in imported sugars next year two committees have been formed by the food administration:
1. A committee comprising representatives of all of the elements of American cane refining groups. The principal duty of this committee is to divide the sugar imports pro rata to their various capacities and see that absolute justice is done to every refiner.

2. A committee comprising three representatives of the English, French and Italian governments; two representatives of the American refiners, with a member of the food administration. Only two of the committees have arrived from Europe, but they represent the allied governments. The duties of this committee are to determine the most economical sources from a transport point of view of all the allies to arrange transport at uniform rates, to distribute the foreign sugar between the United States and allies, subject to the approval of the American, English, French and Italian governments.

This committee, while holding strong views as to the price to be paid for Cuban sugar, has not had the final voice. This voice has rested in the governments concerned, together with the Cuban government, and I wish to state emphatically that all of the gentlemen concerned as good commercial men have endeavored with the utmost patience and skill to secure a lower price, and their persistence has reduced Cuban demands by 15 cents per hundred. The price agreed upon is about \$4.60 per hundred pounds, f. o. b. Cuba, or equal to about \$6 duty paid New York.

"This price should eventuate," Mr. Hoover said, "to about \$7.30 per hundred for refined sugar from the refiners at seaboard points or should place sugar in the hands of the consumer at from 8 1/2 to 9 cents per pound, depending upon locality and conditions of trade, or at from 1 to 2 cents below the prices of August last and from one-half to a cent per pound cheaper than today."

"There is now an elimination of speculation, extortionate profits, and in the refining alone the American people will save over \$25,000,000 of the refining charges last year. A part of these savings goes to the Cuban, Hawaiian, Porto Rican and Louisiana producer and part to the consumer.

"Appeals to prejudice against the food administration have been made because the Cuban price is 34 cents above that of 1917. It is said in effect that the Cubans are at our mercy; that we could get sugar a cent lower. We made exhaustive study of the cost of producing sugar in Cuba last year through our own agents in Cuba, and we find it averages \$3.39, while many producers are at a higher level. We found that an average profit of at least a cent per pound was necessary in order to maintain and stimulate production or that a minimum price of \$4.37 was necessary, and even this would stifle some producers.

"The price ultimately agreed was 23 cents above these figures, or about one-fifth of a cent per pound to the American consumer, and more than this amount has been saved by our reduction to refiners' profits. If we wish to stifle production in Cuba we could take that course just at the time of all times in our history when we want production for ourselves and the allies. Further than that, the state department will assure you that such a course would produce disturbances in Cuba and destroy even our present supplies, but beyond all these material reasons is one of human justice. This great country has no right by the might of its position to strangle Cuba."

"Therefore there is no imposition upon the American public. Charges have been made before this committee that Mr. Rolph endeavored to benefit the California refinery of which he was manager by this 34 cent increase in Cuban prices. Mr. Rolph did not fix the price. It does raise the price to the Hawaiian farmer about that amount. It does not raise the profit of the California refinery, because their charge for refining is, like all other refiners, limited to \$1.30 per hundred pounds, plus the freight differential on the established custom of the trade.

"Mr. Rolph has not one penny of interest in that refinery."



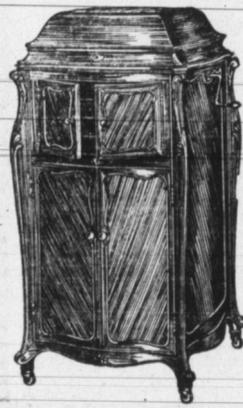
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INTERESTING ITEMS FROM GAINES COUNTY CAPITAL

(From the Seminole Sentinel)
Saturday evening from eight to eleven, Miss Morgan was the charming hostess to an "apron and overall" party. Dainty hand-painted score

cards were passed, sunbonnets for the ladies and hats for the men. After playing a number of games of progressive "42," scores were counted and R. A. Brabham was presented with a tiny hat and banner as high score favors. Bevo and sandwiches were served to Messrs and Mesdames

W. M. Richards, Rutledge, Hopper, Haney, Slaton, C. B. Richards F. D. Stark, Stone, Mesdames Longbotham, John Cobb, James, Misses Ramsey, Wilson, Little, Messrs. R. A. Brabham, Roger Sherman, Morgan, J. L. Brabham and Autrey, of Blythe.

Tuesday afternoon the Merry Bidders Club met with Mrs. C. E. Slaton. There were three tables of "42." Mesdames John Cobb and Slaton tied for high score. During the games bonbons and salted almonds were served from dainty individual hand crocheted baskets.

Wednesday, Jan. 30th, Mrs. E. C. Curtis entertained with a six o'clock turkey dinner in honor of her mother, Mrs. Stripling, this being her 70th birthday. A number of elderly people enjoyed this occasion as invited guests. Mrs. Stripling was the recipient of a number of pretty and useful gifts.

Sam Malone, who at one time was editor and owner of the Sentinel, now attending Simmons College at Abilene, preached at the court house Sunday morning and evening. That he will make good in this calling was evidenced by his sermons delivered here, which were greatly enjoyed and appreciated by all who heard him.

That Seminole will grow and is a good place in which to make an investment in a public business is evidenced in the faith our townsman, C. E. Rollins, used in erecting a good substantial garage building here.

J. W. Byrd, of Oklahoma City at one time cashier of the First State Bank of this city, now representing the Oklahoma City National Bank, was here this week looking after business matters for this bank.

J. W. Cooper this week is having an addition built to his residence west of the Presbyterian church. Mr. Cooper expects to move from his home five miles west of town to this residence as soon as completed.

Dr. Wm. Bloss left Monday for Midland where he will spend a few days on professional business.

CALLED TO SAN ANGELO BROTHER SERIOUSLY ILL

Miss Edna Williams, one of the efficient and popular teachers of our public schools, was called to San Angelo Thursday of this week by the serious illness of a brother.

WHAT THE RED CROSS IS DOING AND WHAT YOU CAN DO

CANTEEN SERVICE DEPARTMENT.

In the Southwestern Division of the Red Cross, which includes the States of Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Texas, there have been organized 97 Red Cross Canteens in towns along the main lines of railway travel to render aid of every kind to troop trains.

In large movements of troops delays are unavoidable, and these bodies of men will often suffer from hunger and thirst in spite of the best efforts of the Army, and to give some refreshment to these men is a service the Red Cross is undertaking.

The commander of every troop train is supplied with a list of the towns where Red Cross canteens have been organized, and he is instructed to wire ahead for any service that a canteen can give. The organization of a canteen consists of a chairman and a committee of at least 10 members. Arrangements are made beforehand for the preparation of coffee and sandwiches in large quantities on short notice and their transportation to the station. The average troop train of 500 men will require 60 gallons of coffee, fruit, cigarettes, etc., are also distributed. Hot coffee is always most acceptable. Although supplied with the army travel ration, it is often impossible to provide every troop train with cooking facilities, in which case hot coffee is greatly appreciated by the men.

If a troop train commander finds that, owing to delay, his food supply is exhausted, he will wire his requirements to a canteen, and they will supply his organization to supply his needs. In case of serious illness demanding immediate attention, the canteen will have an ambulance at the station to remove the man to a hospital without delay. This service has already been the means of saving the life of more than one of our boys.

Postal cards are distributed to the men to write home. This little attention is much appreciated by them, as the troops are often not allowed to leave the train.

Innumerable letters are received showing the gratitude of the boys for

the favors they have received from the Red Cross canteens all over the country, all of which makes them feel that somebody is interested in their welfare, and does much to cheer and encourage them.

The personal touch of the Red Cross worker is an important factor in maintaining the spirit of the troops, and this is an important duty of the Red Cross.

Too much cannot be said of the splendid enthusiasm that the women of the whole country have shown in this work. When they have been called upon they have responded, whether day or night. It is a service that all women will be glad to render to our boys who are giving so much.

That it's worth while on his part to read the letters from the men I quote but one:

"On our arrival at M— we were tendered a most hearty reception by the Red Cross. Their kindness in serving us with hot coffee and sandwiches left an impression upon the boys that will never be forgotten. We cherish not only the worth of such a gift, but more than that the fact that the whole nation is interested in our welfare."

We welcome the organization of a Red Cross canteen along any main railroad line, and the undersigned will be glad to furnish information as to just what duties may be expected of them. CHARLES P. FETTUS, Director of Canteen Service, Southwestern Division American Red Cross, 1617 Railway Exchange Building, St. Louis, Mo.

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champion st. prize winners in all
the big shows—chickens of the
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Harrison at Reporter office, or ad-
dress Box 191, Midland, Texas. 8-12

REASONS FOR WAR
SAVINGS CAMPAIGN

District Chairman Wilson Starts a
Series of Educational Articles
Promoting The Work

Last week Attorney Geo. T. Wilson,
of Sweetwater, district advisor of the
war savings committee, delivered an
interesting address in Midland, his
subject embracing those lines of work
that he is donating to the cause of the
allies in the world war. Mr. Wilson
had been submitted a proposition by
the government for all of his time at
a suitable salary, but he could not
lay aside his professional business,
and so offered half his time to the gov-
ernment without pay. He is giving
however, at least three-fourths of his
time to the work.

During his visit to Midland he called
at The Reporter office and his out-
line of work planned was most interest-
ing. He is extremely anxious to
put fully the great question of war
savings before the people and he is
calling on the newspapers of his field
to lend assistance.

The Reporter, for one, is anxious
to assist him in his splendid efforts,
and we shall be glad to give him such
space as he may require, from week
to week. His first presentation fol-
lows:

Midland Reporter:
This war is real. Our participation
in it is real. Our obligation to put
into it our entire strength—moral,
physical and financial—is a real and
pressing obligation. There is no dodg-
ing this obligation or shifting it to
another person, for the other fellow
will be busy over time performing his
own duty. The only way any Ameri-
can citizen can avoid doing his best—
his strenuous, persistent, unremitting
best—is to show the "yellow," and lay
down on his duty.

The one hundred million American
citizens cannot all be soldiers, but
every one of them can be an important
part of a great reserve force furnish-
ing our soldiers and the French and
English soldiers with food and cloth-
ing and blankets, and guns and am-
munition, and encouragement and
spiritual support. Every man who
prefers to live under a free govern-
ment that he helps to run, rather
than to live in Turkey or Germany un-
der a government fashioned and per-
petuated by and for an autocratic war
lord, should get much in earnest: in
his efforts to save his government in
this life and death struggle.

Our boys who go into the front line
in France, will be heartened beyond
measure if they know that all the
folks at home are backing them up in
the fight. The great leaders whom we
have selected to direct our National
affairs, want to know that the entire
people are loyal and patriotic.

A plan has been devised whereby all
the people can co-operate at least to
an extent sufficient to show which side
of this fight they are on. Great sums
of money are needed to finance the
war. The money must be raised by
taxation and by loans. United States
government bonds are the safest secur-
ities in the world, but because they
have usually been sold in large den-
ominations, they have been beyond
the reach of the large numbers of the
people. Now, however, in order to
give all the people the privilege of
helping to win the war, and in order
to furnish a safe investment for small
savings, the government has out
bonds on sale in denominations with-
in the reach of the poor as well as the
rich.

Thrift stamps and war savings
stamps are miniature government
bonds. Thrift stamps cost 25 cents
each. The war savings stamps have
a face value of \$5.00 each, and are
discounted to pay the purchaser 4 per
cent per annum interest, compound
each ninety days. The postoffice and
banks have these securities for sale
on behalf of the government.

If you think you are too poor to
buy these stamps, just consider how
much it will profit you to save the
money you are now wasting, and in-
vest it in government securities. Poor
people, as well as the rich, waste
money. What about the money you
spend for tobacco, and numerous other
things that do you no good? You can
put at least a part of that money each
month into stamps and at the end of
the year, have a substantial saving.
Even if it means self-denial for the
moment to make this investment, a
red-blooded American cannot complain
at self-denial, when millions of men
have left everything to fight for our
liberty, and thousands of our boys
must needs die to win this war for our
benefit. The boys and girls can now
get into the game, by loaning their
nickles and dimes to the government.

All the people, rich and poor,
should own some amount of
these stamps. Let us make the num-
ber of owners as large as possible. It
would give the Kaiser nervous pros-

stration to learn that fifty million
Americans were patriotic enough to
loan their money to the United States
government, and our boys in the
trenches will fight with an invincible
spirit, if they know that fifty million
of the folks at home are interested
enough to furnish money for their
support. The War Savings Campaign
is a personal call to every citizen of the
United States. Let no one fail to re-
spond.

Geo. T. Wilson,
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A severe cold is often followed by
a rough cough for which Chamber-
lain's Cough Remedy has proven es-
pecially valuable. Mrs. F. W. Olsen,
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years ago my little boy Jean caught
a severe cold and coughed dreadfully
for days. I tried a number of cough
medicines but nothing did him any
good until I gave him Chamberlain's
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right away and before he had finished
taking one bottle he was cured. I think
it is just fine for children." For sale
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FINE ARTS RECITAL
TO BE GIVEN FEB. 16

An impression was gained from a
statement in the college items in The
Reporter last week that the fine arts
recital would be given at the college
on February 22nd. This is error. The
recital is to be given Saturday night,
Feb. 16th, at the college auditorium
under the direction of Miss Holland,
teacher of piano, and the public is cordi-
ally invited to attend.

SEE HERE!
Do You Want Your Kidneys Experi-
mented On?

Kidney troubles are getting more
common every day. Government
health bureau figures say deaths from
this cause are 72 per cent more than
20 years ago.

Anybody who suffers constant back
ache, who feels blue, nervous and ir-
ritable; who has dizzy spells, head-
aches and urinary disorders should sus-
pect kidney weakness. Overworked
kidneys must have a rest. Take things
easier; live more carefully. Take a
good kidney remedy to build the kid-
neys up again.

But be sure to get Doan's Kidney
Pills—the oldest, the most widely
used, the best recommended of
all kidney pills, now in use all over
the civilized world. Don't experiment
with your kidneys. Thousands have
already tested Doan's. You have their
experience to go by. Plenty of cases
right here in Midland. Here's one.

W. J. Glenn, retired blacksmith, Lo-
rain St., says: "I used Doan's Kid-
ney Pills several years ago and from
the good results obtained, I think
they are a fine medicine. They helped
me and I advise anyone to get Doan's
at the City Drug Store, if troubled by
weak kidneys."
Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't sim-
ply ask for a kidney remedy—get
Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that
Mr. Glenn had. Foster-Milburn Co.,
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AT LAST—THE TRUTH
ABOUT BELGIUM

At last—the American people are to
have the Whole Truth about Belgium.
They are to know exactly what has
taken place in the little kingdom from
a period of about eight months before
the German invasion until the present
day.

The person who will supply this
positive information is Mr. Brand
Whitlock, former mayor of Toledo,
who was appointed minister to Bel-
gium by President Wilson in December
1913. He is today at the seat of the
Belgium government at Le Havre,
France. Whitlock was in Belgium, as
you know when the Iron Heel of Ger-
many crushed the life from the little
kingdom.

Because he is the one man who has
all the facts; because he is an author;
because he has seen; because he is
truthful; because he is a Brand White-
lock has been prevailed upon to write
the story now and not wait until he re-
turns to Brussels with the king which
he hopes some day to do.

So now after three years of silence,
comes his story, written from a journal
kept faithfully day by day. Late at
night, sometimes near to exhaustion
from the strain of the work that he
carried on unceasingly and with self-
sacrificing devotion, he stubbornly held
himself to the task of keeping this
historic record—now the most signifi-
cant of the war.

The world has been waiting for this
story. It is a stupendous story, mag-
nificent, astonishing, pitiful, inspiring,
horrid, sensational too, for the whole
continent of ravished Belgium is to be
told.

Realize the importance of this—
the story the American people have
been waiting for—The Star-Talocan
has purchased publication rights and
will commence printing the serial on
Sunday, February 17th. It will be
printed in the Sunday edition only. It
will run for about one year. It will be
published everywhere in North Texas
in the Sunday Star-Talocan.

In order to assist in the work of
obtaining these facts before the people
of our county we have secured a sub-
sidiary arrangement with the Sunday
Star-Talocan. The regular price of
the Sunday Star-Talocan is 20 cent per
copy. The sample price of The Mid-
land Reporter is 25 cent per copy. We
will furnish both one year for \$2.40.

This offer ends early—don't miss
the best chance.
Dromae, a publisher for the Star-Talocan
and Reporter, will be in the city with the
Star-Talocan at a special in the Daily
Star-Talocan, P. O. 24th and will run
about six weeks. adv

OVER THE TOP, FARMERS!
OVER THE TOP!

This war cannot be won with-
out the aid of the Farmers.
Why?

Because they represent about
80 per cent of the population of
the Eleventh Federal Reserve
District, in which we live, and
it is impossible for the other
20 per cent of the people to
carry the financial burden.

The farmer in this section
who has done reasonably well
last season has indeed a double
duty to perform. He has to
do his full share towards pro-
tecting his business, his home,
and his Country, and he has, as
a generous open-hearted, broad-
minded Southerner to help
make up for the probable lack
of over-subscription in the
drouth-stricken Counties of
West and South Texas.

The people of the West and
South of Texas will do their
share—that there is no ques-
tion. They will raise their as-
signed portion of the Loan, be-
cause it is their duty, but we
cannot hope for a large over-
subscription from them.

An over-subscription from the
Eleventh Federal District is
called for. On the occasion of
the Second Liberty Loan we
raised but a little more than we
were forced to. Other Dis-
tricts raised 25 per cent and 50
per cent more than the Govern-
ment demanded of them. Such
a grudging response is unwor-
thy of us and we must improve
upon it. Shall it be said that
we men who live upon the rich
soil of Louisiana, who inhabit
the great producing State of
Texas, the progressive State of
New Mexico, who wrest the
wealth from the ground of Ari-
zona, or who have opened up
the great possibilities of Okla-
homa, possess less patriotism
than our neighbors? It is un-
thinkable!

We have a big task ahead,
but we will meet it. Let us plan,
and look ahead; and let us start
doing it right now, in order
that this great old South West
may shine as a bright star in
the firmament of patriotism
when our Country calls.

FARMERS AND SHIPS

Two things which do not ap-
pear to have very much to do
with each other. And yet they
have.

It is not sufficient merely to
produce goods, they must be
marketed, and ships are neces-
sary to the farmer unless he
wishes to be cut off from the
best of all markets of the world
—Europe.

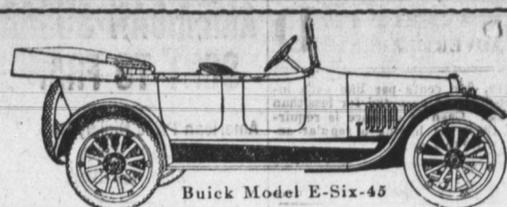
Just as an automobile is a
good thing for hauling produce
to nearby towns and freight
cars are necessary to haul the
produce to the great grain cen-
ters, so ships are necessary
to market the produce of the
farmers.

We have been losing ships in
great numbers, and so have our
Allies. These must be replaced.
The farmer knows what would
happen if the freight cars on
the railroads were burned up—
he would be cut off from the
market. Ships are just as im-
portant and necessary as freight
cars.

Several Million Dollars of the
amount subscribed to the Lib-
erty Loan is being used by The
United States Government to
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is rapidly being established. Already
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cies have been established and by the
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have been increased by 350,000.

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and sell them over their counters at
their cashiers' windows, and other
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Fifty thousand post offices now
have War Savings Stamps on sale
and 29,000 banks and 8,000 individual
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of business in several States will con-
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An intensive campaign is now on
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THE HAMPTONS ARE LEAVING MIDLAND

It will come as a surprise to many friends to learn that J. W. Hampton and family left Midland this week to make their home in San Antonio. Mr. Hampton is one of our oldest citizens, they having come to Midland nearly 25 years ago. Ever since then Mr. Hampton has been the head bookkeeper for the First National Bank, and his long tenure speaks for his faithfulness and efficiency. In proportion to his long residence in Midland he is esteemed as a citizen, and while all regret very much indeed that he sees fit to make his home elsewhere, yet do we wish him well, prosperity, health and happiness in the new home he has chosen.

WANT TO RENT—Some rooms or small residence already furnished. Must be ideal in every way and reasonably close to town. See R. E. Truly at Reporter office.

Basil Mims is here from Pecos on a visit to his mother, Mrs. Ida Mims.

THE GOVERNMENT'S RANGE EXPERIMENTS

Increased Production of Cattle on the Southwestern Ranges Through Improved Methods

The present drouth in the southwest is sure to result in teaching at least the lesson of the almost certain disaster of over-stocking. As an observer The Reporter can only refer to warnings it has published in the years past; some of these being upon its own initiative and others coming from wiser and more experienced students of cattle production. We have used, too, tests and experiments of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, but regardless of these and other admonitions, stockmen have reluctantly taken to the idea of reducing the number of cattle and increasing the quality. The present drouth will more surely force the lesson than any experience that we have ever suffered, and it has and will be an expensive lesson, indeed.

How grazing experts of the Forest Service have succeeded in improving the quality of the range and have developed methods of handling cattle which result in reduced losses and bigger calf crops is told in a preliminary report of the studies being made at the Jornada Range Reserve in New Mexico, issued as Bulletin 558 of the United States Department of Agriculture.

While the studies are as yet incomplete, it is stated that as a result of the improved methods grama-grass range on the reserve has improved 50 per cent in comparison with areas on which the grazing was uncontrolled. A system of stock-watering places has aided in the utilization of the range, while care in handling cattle, the gradual improvement of the herds, and vaccination against blackleg have resulted in a large calf crop, increased returns from sales, and lower losses.

The Jornada Range Reserve contains about 200,000 acres. It was created in 1912 to secure a complete range unit for carrying on range experiments and is in charge of the grazing experts of the Forest Service, who are co-operating with a private cattle owner.

The improvement in the range was secured, the report states, primarily by light grazing during the four months—July to October—when the grass is making its growth, by not over-grazing during the other eight months, and by a better distribution of stock-watering places. Light grazing on ranges of the Southwest is profitable, the studies have shown. It will probably not reduce the total annual day's feed furnished on given area during the year and will reserve feed for the critical period from February to July and later in case of prolonged drouth. Where the whole of a range unit is made up of grama grass about one-third of the area should probably be reserved during the growing season for two years in succession.

Emphasis is laid on the importance of developing a system of watering places. Where stock do not have to travel more than 2 1/2 miles to water, fairly efficient use of plains and mesa range in the Southwest can be secured. This means that there should be one permanent and dependable watering place for about 13200 acres. Such an acreage of grama-grass range will carry about 500 cattle throughout the year if properly managed. Wherever the distance between water holes is in excess of 2 1/2 miles, utilization of the range becomes less efficient. Where it can be done the construction of tanks to supplement the permanent watering places will be a paying investment.

From a selected herd of 500 cows and 20 bulls, which was held in pasture away from other stock, an 81 per cent calf crop was branded in 1915. From the remaining 1,522 cows of breeding age on the reserve, a 69.2 per cent calf crop was branded. The average calf crop for the reserve was 72 per cent. It is doubtful whether the calf crop on adjoining unfenced range in 1916 reached 60 per cent, and this figure is believed to be a high average.

About 50 pounds of cottonseed cake per head was fed to the special herd. This is believed to have contributed largely to the added number of calves. The big opportunity for increasing the calf crop, says the report, is to keep poor cows in thrifty condition.

The average loss of stock on the Jornada Range Reserve in 1916 was 1.5 per cent. The average losses for New Mexico are approximately 10.6 per cent for calves up to 12 months of age, 5.6 per cent for yearlings, and 5.8 per cent of other stock. The small loss on the reserve is attributed to careful systematic vaccination against blackleg, the reservation of grama-grass range for poor stock during the critical spring months, to the feed che-

animals received, and to prevention of straying. In extremely bad years some kind of roughage to supplement the range forage, for feeding with cottonseed cake or other concentrated feed would be a decided advantage on southwestern ranges. Ensilage from soap weed has been tried on the Jornada Reserve and the results are promising, but not extensive enough to warrant definite conclusions.

The studies have shown without doubt, the report states, that the possibilities for decreasing losses justify stockmen of the Southwest in paying more attention to vaccination as a preventative of blackleg and to picking out and feeding stock in need of special care.

Notice of Trustee's Sale

State of Texas, County of Martin.

WHEREAS, by virtue of authority vested in me as substitute trustee appointed and designated under the provisions contained in a certain deed of trust recorded in Vol. 4, pages 599-609, Record of Deeds, of Martin Co., Texas, and Vol. 4, pages 65-71 Midland County, Texas, executed and delivered to Henry P. Drought, trustee, on November 4, 1912, by R. L. Slaughter and Florence H. Slaughter, husband and wife, for better securing the payment of four certain deed of trust notes dated Big Springs, Texas, November 4, 1912, payable to the order of H. P. Drought & Company, San Antonio, Texas, executed by said R. L. Slaughter and wife Florence H. Slaughter. The first of said notes being in the sum of \$6,000 due November 1, 1917, the second in the principal sum of \$480.00 due November 1, 1915, the third in the sum of \$480.00 due November 1, 1916, the fourth in the principal sum of \$480.00 due November 1, 1917. All of said notes more fully described in above mentioned deed of trust executed as aforesaid, payables aforesaid and each note bearing 10 per cent interest per annum, payable annually, after maturity until paid and providing that a failure to pay said notes and if placed in the hands of an attorney for collection an additional 10 per cent should be added as attorney's fees; said deed of trust further providing that a failure to pay said notes or any of them and any of said notes remaining unpaid ten days after maturity, then at the option of the holder or holders of said notes all of same should at once become due and payable without notice and said holder or holders may proceed to collect the same by sale under the said deed of trust. Said notes being executed and delivered to said H. P. Drought & Co., to better secure said Drought & Co. in a loan to said R. L. Slaughter of \$6,000 represented by above described principal note together with five additional interest notes payable annually after date, each in the principal of \$480.00 and represented by the remaining described interest notes; and to better secure said H. P. Drought & Co. in the loan aforesaid a said deed of trust lien was given by said R. L. Slaughter and wife Florence H. Slaughter upon the following described property, to-wit:

All my right, title and interest in and to the following lands in Martin and Midland counties, Texas, as follows:

Tract No. 1, containing 640 acres of land in Martin County, Texas, patented by the State of Texas to the Texas & Pacific Railway Company on October 21st, 1884, by patent number 214, volume 83, known as survey No. 5, township 1 South, block No. 37, located by virtue of certificate No. 2816.

Tract No. 2, containing 400 acres of land in Martin County, Texas, same being the southeast one-fourth of the 640 acres survey, patented by the State of Texas to the Texas & Pacific Railway Company on October 25th, 1884, by patent No. 200, volume 83, known as survey No. 3, township 1 South, block No. 37, located by virtue of certificate No. 2875.

Tract No. 3, containing 640 acres of land in Martin County, Texas, patented by the State of Texas to the Texas & Pacific Railway Company on October 15, 1884, by patent 59, volume 83, known as survey 45, township 1 north, block 37, located by virtue of certificate No. 2852.

Tract No. 4, containing 480 acres of land in Midland County, Texas, being all of a 320 acre survey, patented by the State of Texas to R. L. Slaughter, assignee of J. C. Smoot, on July 11th, 1907, by patent No. 384, volume 34, known as the north 1-2 of survey No. 28, block No. 37, township 1 South, located by virtue of certificate No. 2887, and all of a 320 acre survey patented by the State of Texas to R. L. Slaughter, assignee of J. D. Self, on June 22nd, 1907 by patent No. 333, volume 34, known as the south one-half of Survey No. 28, block No. 37, township 1 South, located by virtue of certificate No. 2887, less, however, the northwest 1-4 of the southeast 1-4 of said section 28, and the southeast 1-4 of the southwest 1-4 of said section 28.

Tract No. 5, containing 320 acres of land in Martin County, Texas, being the west half of section 10, patented by the State of Texas to R. L. Slaughter on February 5th, 1907, by patent No. 297, volume 33, known as survey No. 10, block 37, township 1 South, located by the virtue of certificate No. 2878.

Tract No. 6, containing 600 acres of land in Martin and Midland counties, Texas, being all of survey No. 18, located for the common school fund by the Texas & Pacific Railway Company, in block No. 37, township 1 South, located by virtue of certificate No. 2882 and purchased from the State of Texas by J. C. Smoot on October 3rd, 1902, less, however, the Southeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of said survey No. 18.

Tract No. 7, containing 320 acres of land in Midland County, Texas, being the west half of survey No. 24, block No. 37, township 1 South, located for the common school fund by the

Texas & Pacific Railway Company by virtue of certificate No. 2885, purchased from the State of Texas by J. C. Smoot, on February 23rd, 1905.

Tract No. 8, containing 640 acres of land in Martin and Midland counties, Texas, known as survey No. 20, block No. 37, township 1 south, located for the common school fund by the Texas & Pacific Railway Company, certificate No. 2883, and purchased from the State of Texas by J. C. Smoot on the 13th of October, 1902, together with all and singular the improvements, tenements, hereditaments, appurtenances, rights, privileges, rents, profits, and income hereto belonging and therefrom arising and machinery now on or hereafter to be put on the said premises for the conduct thereof whether attached or detached.

And whereas J. K. McIntosh is the present owner and holder of said notes and liens having purchased same in due course for value, and the said R. L. Slaughter and wife Florence H. Slaughter have made default in the payment of each of said notes above described and that all of said notes are now past due and mature both as to principal interest and attorneys fees, by reason thereof and as provided in said deed of trust the said J. K. McIntosh has declared each of said notes and all of said indebtedness immediately due and mature, and has placed said notes in the hands of an attorney for collection.

And whereas the amount now due on said notes aggregates principal, interest, and attorneys fees the sum of \$7910.81.

And whereas the said H. P. Drought, original trustee is now dead, the said J. K. McIntosh has duly authorized and appointed me as trustee to execute said trust; and whereas I have been requested by the said J. K. McIntosh to enforce said trust I will offer for sale between the legal hours thereof to-wit from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m., to the highest bidder on the first Tuesday in March, A. D. 1918, the same being the 5th day of said month, at the court house in the town of Stanton, Martin County, Texas, the above described land and premises together with all the rights, improvements and appurtenances thereto belonging, in any wise to satisfy, first the expense of executing this trust, second any advances made under the terms of said deed of trust, third, the full amount of interest due on said indebtedness, fourth, the amount of principal due on said indebtedness and other necessary legal charges.

Witness my hand this 4th day of February, A. D. 1918.
R. Delbert Jones,
Substitute Trustee.

FOOD AND FEED PRODUCTION CAMPAIGN ORGANIZED

There has been forced upon this State and Nation a realizing sense that a war-emergency exists, requiring the conservation of every possible ounce of food, as well as the planting and harvesting of food and feed crops up to the utmost capacity of the land to produce. To accomplish this will require the energetic, whole-hearted co-operation of all who have at heart the welfare of State and nation. In order, therefore, that all the agencies, organized and individual, working in so great a cause, may heartily co-ordinate and individual working in so great a cause, may heartily co-ordinate their efforts for better team work, the Texas Food and Feed Production Campaign has been organized with headquarters at Austin. Mr. B. F. Johnson, secretary of the Wichita Falls Chamber of Commerce has been appointed by Governor Hobby as manager.

Mr. Johnson will need the moral support of all citizens in doing this splendid work for the State and nation. The State Department of Agriculture will heartily assist him in every way possible.

Two of the best men in the Department of Agriculture have been assigned to the work of assisting Mr. Johnson with his arduous duties; and in the lecture campaign which he intends to begin soon, the Department will furnish such additional help as can be spared from the regular departmental work.

In a patriotic and timely proclamation, the Governor of Texas recommends that a "Seed Sowing Sunday" be generally observed, namely: February 10th; and it is hoped that upon such holy day and in such a holy cause, ministers of the gospel will urge upon their congregations the duty of energetic action, to secure maximum planting the coming season, of all crops needed at home and abroad.

Believing that the campaign as planned by Mr. Johnson will be of untold benefit to the people of Texas, and is demanded by the conditions produced by the war and the State wide and year long drouth in Texas; I, therefore, Commissioner of Agriculture of the State of Texas, bespeak for Mr. Johnson the full co-operation of every citizen and every agency in our great State that this work may accomplish the splendid purposes for which it has been organized.

Fred W. Davis,
State Commissioner of Agriculture.

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Total Resources	\$1,183,471.24

Notice of Dissolution
Notice is hereby given that the firm of J. H. Barron & Son was dissolved on the first day of January, 1918, Elliott H. Barron retiring from said firm on account of going into the United States Army. All accounts due to said firm are payable to J. H. Barron, his successor, and all accounts owing by said firm will be settled by him.
J. H. Barron,
Elliott H. Barron.
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SUNDAY AT THE CHURCHES

Methodist Church
Following are the services for the coming week:
Sunday School at 9:45 a. m.
Preaching at 11 a. m.
Junior League at 2:30 p. m.
Senior League at 7 p. m.
Evening sermon at 8 o'clock.
Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.
All are most cordially invited.

Run-ty J. W. Cowan, Pastor.

Christian Endeavor

Hymn, "True Hearted, Whole Hearted."
Prayer, that the church of Christ may bravely look out over the great world field, see the ripened harvest, and hasten to send out the fairest and rarest of its youth as reapers for the Master; for the great cause of Christian Endeavor as a means to this end—Bro. McKissick.

Scripture lesson, John 4; 31-38.

Miss Mabel Shaw.

Hymn, "Far and Near the Fields are Teeming."

"Christian Endeavor" (Three Miracles)

Its Origin—Miss Florence McKissick

Its Purpose—John McKissick.

Its Progress—Fred Parnell.

Its Relation to the World Task—Bro. McKissick.

Hymn, "The Son of God Goes Forth to War."

"The Challenge of the King." An exercise emphasizing the waiting fields and the call for workers to gather in the harvest.

Hymn, "Heralds of Light."

Upl Solo, "India's Weary and Sad" (Words by Dr. G. E. Miller, India.)—Miss Viola Reynolds.

The Challenge to our Society—Viola Shaw.

Free Will Offering.

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name."

Mizpah.

LIEUT. HOMER EPLEY WRITES THIS WEEK

Little Rock, Ark., Feb. 3, 1918.
Mr. C. C. Watson, Editor The Reporter, Midland, Texas.

My dear friend: The people of Midland and Stanton were exceedingly nice in their treatment of me while I was home on leave in December and I would like to say a word to them and you through The Reporter.

I was never treated so royally before in my life and never before realized that I had so many friends. I am sure you (my friends) will know that I am not seeking notoriety, in the least, by saying these things to you through the paper. I am doing this because I am anxious to have you know that I am truly grateful for all the encouraging things you said to me and did for me while I was at home. I am using this means of thanking you every one because I do not see now when I will ever have time to write personally to many of you.

Our army is very, very busy at training now and the officers especially, as they must, of course, not only teach things already known of the "game," but they must keep posted and pass on new phases of this game which are developing daily. I find it the largest and most interesting subject that I ever studied. Our camp is located about 7 miles from Little Rock and every one is comfortably housed in frame barracks, which are well heated, lighted and watered, and is made up of well satisfied, hard-working men. My own company, F of the 347th Infantry, is made up of Ohio and Iowa boys mostly and they are willing and anxious to learn and will I am sure, give a very good account of themselves "over there."

I enjoy the letters in The Reporter from "Our Boys" very much, especially from those already "across." I am prouder every day of the class of material West Texas is furnishing for the service and that I am from there.

Thanking you every one for your kindness and assuring you that your interest stimulates me to try to make a better soldier of myself every day, I remain, Sincerely yours,

Homer Epley.
C. F. 347th Inf., Camp Pike, Ark.

UNIQUE THEATRE

As will be noticed the Unique is only showing three nights a week now, namely, Monday, Friday and Saturday nights. On these three nights very special programs will be shown. After "The Red Ace" is finished, which is shown on Monday night, this will be changed to Tuesday night.

Tonight, Friday, Lois Weber's powerful dramatic production, "Even As You and I," will be shown.

The speaking stage lost a great actress, the concert stage a great pianist and the world of letters a great author when Lois Weber became director of moving pictures. But moving pictures gained thereby one of the commanding personalities of the new art, or the infant industry, whichever you may elect to call it. From the very beginning, Miss Weber's pictures have had that quality of distinction, the impress of a soaring imagination, of an unrivaled sense of the truly dramatic, which mark off productions of genius from those of mere talent.

"Even As You and I," a drama of souls at bay, deals in a plot similar to Faust. Dominick Carillo and his gentle wife, Selma, begin their married life with high ideals and noble purpose—even as you and I, their safeguards and protections and the three statutes made by Dominick—Youth, Love and Honor. These they cherish and determine never to part with them. Here is where Satan gets in his work by tempting both.

MONTHLY REPORT OF CITY SCHOOLS

Total Enrollment of 643. One Hundred Forty-three Average Over Eighty-five

The fifth month of the present session of our city schools closed Friday, Feb. 1st, 1918, with a total enrollment of 643 and an enrollment for the fifth month of 538. Of those who were in school during the month, 158 won distinction in scholarship, making averages of 85 or more, for the month. Those whose averages are 90 or more for the month are recorded with high honors (Summa Cum Laude); those averaging from 85 to 90 minus are recorded with high honors. (Magna Cum Laude.) Below is a list, by schools, together with their averages for the month, of those who won distinction for the fifth month. One list is for the high school; another is for the grammar school at central ward; and the third is for south ward. The numbers after the names of high school students indicate the number of courses carried by the respective students, some taking five studies and others only four:

High School—Summa Cum Laude (90 or more)	
Carolyn Caldwell, 5	97
Thelma Estes, 5	96
Ruby Willis, 5	95 4-5
Grace Terry, 5	95 2-5
Wilf Curtis, 5	95 1-5
Ruth Terry, 5	96
Hazel Hollingsworth, 5	94 3-5
Mamie Ramsay, 4	93 1-2
Laura Smith, 5	93 1-5
Clella Denton, 5	92 4-5
Thomas Schrock, 4	92 1-2
Irene Mabry, 4	92 1-2
Roy Stark, 5	92
Alice Haley, 5	91 4-5
Lena Kate Baker, 5	91 4-5
Clifford Heath, 4	91 3-4
Daisy Dupuy, 4	91 1-4

Magna Cum Laude (85-90 minus)	
Faye Taylor, 5	89 3-5
Melrose Florey, 5	88 2-5
Eileen Harrison, 5	88
Jewel Collins, 5	87 3-5
Vergil Shaw, 4	87 1-2
Robert Vest, 4	87 1-2
Frances Miller, 5	87 2-5
Oscar Ragsdale, 4	87
Miriam Crossett, 5	86 4-5
Mittie Ingham, 5	86 3-5
Roxie Nugent, 5	86 3-5
Annie Wall, 4	86 1-2
Evetts Haley, 4	86 1-4
Nannie Sue Blakeway, 5	85 1-4
Tennie Lee Bradshaw, 4	85 3-4
Henry Brunson, 4	85

Grammar School—Central Ward Summa Cum Laude (90 or more)

Elsie Barron	98
Lenora Whitmire	96
J. Wiley Taylor, Jr.	96
Ben Wall	95 1-6
Oriel Horton	94 1-3
Ellen Potter	93 4-5
Myrtle Whitmire	93 1-2
Margaret Holder	93 1-5
Marion Allen	92 5-6
Evelyn Estes	92 5-6
Earl Mabry	92 5-6
Walter Elkin	92 3-5
Arthur Vest	92 1-2
Izetta Lee	92 1-3
Dora Wall	92
Margaret Bradford	91 4-5
Quinnie Cordill	91 2-3
Margaret Caldwell	91 1-6
Virginia Hale	90 4-5
Kenneth Johnson	90 3-5
Martin Bradford	90 1-2
Louise Karkalits	90 1-2
Velma Winborne	90 2-5
Beatrice Logan	90 1-5
Herman Klapproth	90 1-6
Barron Wadley	90

Magna Cum Laude (85 to 90 minus)

Ruth Norwood	89 4-5
Mary Frances Norwood	89 3-5
Richard Ramsay	89 3-5
Sadie Bradshaw	89 1-5
Lillie Mae Norwood	89 1-5
Eunice Stiff	89 1-5
Johnnie Preston	89 1-6
Esten Shumate	89 1-6
Winnie Runyan	89
Gloraia Crossett	89
Ainslee Estes	88 3-5
Ray Guyton	88 3-5
Carliss Ray	88 1-3
Roy Jones	88 1-5
Louis Flood	88 1-5
Virgie Locklar	88 1-5
Seaborn Gwyn	88 1-5
Bernice Norwood	88
Freddie Bradford	87 5-6
Annie Lee Brunson	87 2-3
Rufus Lee Parks	87 1-3
Carroll Hill	87 1-3
Elizabeth Smith	87 1-5
Harwell Whitmire	87 1-5
Jim Gage	86 2-3
John Gage	86 2-3
Thomas Funk	86 1-3
Jim Flanigan	86 1-6
Garvis Dockray	86 1-6
Virginia Coyle	85 2-3
Thomas Inman	85 1-3
Uel Feeler	85 1-5
Mary Lou Tucker	85 1-6
Leola Bigham	85
Estell Jones	85
Horace Rankin	85
Jim Bob Allison	85
Dretha Johnson	85
Witzel Whitmire	85

South Ward—Summa Cum Laude (90 or more)

Scharbauer Eldson	92 4-5
Susan Cowden	92 2-5
Truman Nanco	92 1-3
Bush Jones	92 1-6
Gladys Inman	92
Paul Hedges	91 3-5
Sue Terry	91 2-3
Thalbert Thomas	91 1-2
Kitta Belle Wolcott	91 1-3
Ernest Locklar	91 1-6
Roy Filler	91 1-6
Ike Ethridge	91
T. J. Stokes	90 5-6
Bernetta Ray	90 5-6
Gordon Jones	90 4-5

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- Our Ladies' Ready-to-Wear and Millinery is still being sacrificed.
- Great bargains yet in Men's and Boys' Clothing, Overcoats and Mackinaws.
- You should buy your Sweaters, Winter Underwear and Wool Overshirts now for next winter.
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- We are beginning to receive our new goods for Spring---Come in and see us.
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Jack Ramsay	90 4-5
Sidney House	90 2-3
J. B. Stark	90 2-3
Cora Mae Haley	90 2-3
Lela Fay Irwin	90 3-5
Jean Smith	90 2-3
Louis Thomas	90 1-2
Georgia Kirk Davis	90 1-2
Franklin Goode	90 2-5
Jessie Estes	90 1-3
Pearl Wimberly	90 1-3
Otha Moore	90 1-5
Wilford Cobb	90 1-6
Grady Henry	90 1-6
Mildred Houston	90 1-6
Ruby Moore	90
Mary Fleenor	90
Wesley Henry	90

date with said deed of trust. Said bond in the sum of \$5000 is due and payable on or before five years after June 10th, 1913, and providing that upon the failure to pay any annual installment of interest after the same should become due, the whole of said principal debt should, at the option of holder thereof, become at once due and payable. And the annual interest coupon falling due June 10th, 1917, having matured June 10th, 1917, and default in the payment thereof having been made.

And the said John Taylor, original holder of said debt, having died, and administration on his said estate having been opened, with the appointment and qualification of J. C. Taylor as administrator of said estate—and the said trustee in said deed of trust having become disqualified from acting as such trustee, and having also declined to act as such, the said J. C. Taylor, administrator of said estate, and the owner of said mortgage bond, and attached coupons, having requested me by appointment in writing, to act as substitute trustee, as under said deed of trust provided, I, C. H. Earnest, as substitute trustee, will offer for sale, between the legal hours, to-wit: between 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m., at public auction, to the highest bidder, on the first Tuesday in March, 1918, the same being the 5th day of March, A. D., 1918, at the court house door of Midland County, Texas, in the town of Midland, the above described property, premises and improvements.

Witness my hand this February 6th A. D., 1918.

C. H. Earnest,
Substitute Trustee.

adv. 19-3t

COURT ADJOURNS TO MEET MONDAY

District court convened Monday of this week, but little business was transacted. After re-setting a number of cases for next week adjournment was taken until next Monday, when the court will be re-convened. The grand jury, which is in session the first of the week returned several indictments, but the nature of these and the names of parties indicted have not been made public. Inquiry yesterday failed to reveal whether or not that body had completed its labors.

RUSSELL IS ADMITTED TO BAIL IN SUM OF \$25,000

William G. Russell, of Lubbock, charged with murder in connection with the killing of Charles Qualey in front of Hotel Sheldon at El Paso on the evening of Jan. 2nd, has been admitted to \$25,000 bail by the court of criminal appeals at Austin. A telegram to this effect was received from the clerk of that tribunal by Hudspeth & Harper, of counsel for Russell.

The mandate admitting Russell to bond will be mailed from Austin to the sheriff at El Paso and will be received by Monday, it was said by Judge A. J. Harper, whereupon Russell would be ready to make the required bond.

Notice of Trustees Sale

The State of Texas, County of Midland.

Whereas, by virtue of the authority vested in me as substitute trustee under a certain deed of trust recorded in deed of trust records of Midland County, Texas, in volume 4, page 206, executed by W. J. Moran and wife, Lizzie Moran, conveying all that certain tract of land situated in Midland County, Texas, and known and described as:

Survey nineteen (19), in block number thirty-nine (39), Township 1 south, certificate number 3129, original grantee, Texas & Pacific Railway Co., being the same land patented to the Texas & Pacific Railway Co., and conveyed unto H. W. Rokker, and in turn conveyed by H. W. Rokker to W. J. Moran, and situated about 3 1/2 miles northwest from Midland, in Midland County, Texas, said deed of trust being made and executed for the better securing of John Taylor, of Marion County, Kentucky, in payment of one certain mortgage bond executed by the said W. J. Moran and wife in the sum of \$6000, and bearing interest at the rate of eight per cent per annum, from June 10th A. D., 1913, payable annually, and evidenced by five interest coupon notes, each in the sum of \$400 attached to said bond, of even

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MOST MARVELOUS PRODUCERS OF LARGE, WHITE EGGS; MOST ATTRACTIVE IN THE SHOW ROOM; MOST PROFITABLE TO GROW; MOST ECONOMICAL TO KEEP; MOST AGREEABLE TO TEND; MOST DELICIOUS TO EAT, AND FOR MAJESTIC BEAUTY, SIZE, HEALTH, HARDINESS AND RESISTIBILITY IN ALL CLIMATES ARE UNSURPASSED BY ANY OTHER BREED. THEY ARE THRIFTY, ENERGETIC, NON-SETTERS, GOOD FORAGERS, LESS SUSCEPTIBLE TO DISEASE, AND BEING BLACK IN PLUMAGE, DO NOT FURNISH A READY TARGET FOR HAWKS, OWLS, WOLVES AND PREDATORY VARMINTS AS DO WHITE OR PARTI-COLORED FOWLS.

My stock is from the GRAND CHAMPIONSHIP matings of Chas. G. Pope, 25 years a Minorca Specialist and one of the foremost breeders of America. They are prolific producers of LARGE, WHITE EGGS and first prize winners at the leading shows of the country, having won at Chicago Coliseum, American Royal (Kansas City), Kentucky State Fair (Louisville), Mississippi State Fair (Jackson), Triangle Poultry Show (Ft. Wayne, Ind.), Interstate Exposition (South Bend, Ind.), Tennessee State Fair (Nashville), Mid-Winter Fair (Tampa, Fla.), Texas State Fair, and many others. At the last Dallas Fair show they made almost a clean sweep in well filled classes, winning 1st, 2nd and 4th cocks; 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th hens; 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th cockerels; 1st, 2nd, 4th and 5th pullets; 1st old and 1st young pen; 1st and 2nd old and 1st and 2nd young flocks—a showing possibly unequalled by any other breeder.

EGGS FOR HATCHING—After January 1st, I will offer eggs from grand matings at \$2.50 and \$5.00 per setting of 15. Book orders now to insure getting them as the supply will be limited. Get a start of these grand birds and you will never regret it. ALL MY SPARE COCKERELS HAVE BEEN SOLD.

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