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SEC'Y OF WAR NOW IN FRANCE

In Conference With Pershing and Entente Commanders at the Seat of Operations

News dispatches early in the week brought the information that Newton D. Baker, American Secretary of War, with a staff of seven persons, had arrived in France on an American armored cruiser.

Upon hearing of Secretary Baker's safe arrival in France, through the Associated Press dispatch from Paris, the War Department announced that the Secretary's visit is purely military and not diplomatic and is for purposes of inspection and personal conferences with military officials. Mr. Baker is accompanied by Major-General William M. Black, chief of engineers; Lieutenant Colonel M. L. Brett, and Ralph Hayes, his private secretary.

Secretary Baker plans to spend a brief time in France, inspecting results already accomplished by his department in its efforts to place in the field this year an army that will be a factor in the campaign. On the eve of his departure Mr. Baker told members of the press that he did not expect to be away long.

The Secretary and his party left Washington without any other attempt at concealment of their movements than a request that the press refrain from reporting his departure. The newspapers again worked in hearty co-operation to make the journey as safe as possible from German submarines. No hint of the trip has been printed.

For several months the Secretary has been eager to see conditions at the front and to talk over with General Pershing, upon whom responsibility for the entire American war program in France rests, the many problems that have arisen to impede the department's plans. It was impossible for General Pershing to come home for such a conference. Mr. Baker therefore determined after many conferences with President Wilson to go on an inspection tour which will, he believes, better fit him for his great responsibility in meeting General Pershing's requirements in fighting men and materials and in maintaining a supply line more than 3,000 miles long.

It is regarded as probable that the Secretary will inform the American commander in the field as to all the hopes and aims of the Government which are at stake in the war.

Mr. Baker is the first cabinet member to go to the battle zone. Out of his conferences, not only with General Pershing, but with the leaders of the French and British Governments as well, will come direct information for the President as to what is transpiring in the allied countries to aid him in shaping his future course.

The War Secretary is in Europe as the President's official representative, and the fact that it is his War Secretary and not a diplomatic representative is regarded as evidence of the determination of the President to press the war aggressively to victory.

WORDING OF AD IS SOMEWHAT MISLEADING

The advertisement of Smith Bros. the Cash and Carry Store, appearing elsewhere in this issue, states that on Monday, March 18th, they will sell to everybody for cash only, the wording being capable of the construction that the rule applied for that day only. As a matter of fact, this rule applies on and after Monday, March 18. It is the purpose of this firm to operate on a strictly cash basis in the future.

LEAVE FOR MONTANA TO MAKE THEIR HOME

H. R. Houston and family left on Thursday afternoon for Kalispell, Montana, where they will make their future home. Mr. Houston and his estimable family made many friends during their three years' residence in Midland, who wish for them a full measure of success in their new home.

R. W. Shaw and C. E. Jones, of Crosbyton, were here the first of the week on business.

DRY ZONE LAW ON APRIL FIFTEENTH

Both House and Senate Accept Free Conference Report on the Ten Mile Zone Bill

The house of representatives on last Monday afternoon adopted the report of the free conference committee on the ten-mile zone bill which the senate amended and which makes the date upon which the law is effective April 15th instead of April 1st, as provided in the house bill. The vote was 98 to 2.

The senate this afternoon by a vote of 23 to 0 adopted the report of the free conference committee. Both branches of the legislature having adopted the report, the bill now goes to the governor.

In the house Representatives Taylor and Davis of Harris County voted against the bill.

The only opposition to accepting the senate amendment came from Representative Davis, of Harris. Representatives Spencer and Veatch spoke for it. Spencer said: "We are now confronted with a practical problem, not a theory."

He declared that the senate could not get the necessary two-thirds vote to carry the emergency clause if the date was set at April 1. Veatch said that he had been fighting for prohibition for forty years.

"Originally, I favored April 1st," he declared, "but why quibble over a matter of fifteen days? Let's have it over with."

The free conference committee of the house and senate today voted to accept the senate amendment to the ten-mile zone bill, fixing April 15th as the date when the bill will be effective.

The vote to accept the senate amendment was taken after it had been explained that there was every reason to believe that the senate could not get enough votes to carry the emergency clause if the date was made April 1st, as it passed the house.

Several members of the committee expressed belief that there would be no difficulty in getting enough votes to carry the emergency by accepting April 15th. The point also was emphasized that failure to carry the emergency clause would mean that the law would not become effective until ninety days after adjournment.

W. H. WOLCOTT ON EXEMPTION BOARD

The following telegram was received Thursday by Secretary W. L. Graves of the local exemption board: "Austin, Texas, March 14, 1918.—Local Board, Midland, Texas: W. H. Wolcott has been appointed member of your board. Please have him qualify and assume duties, wiring acceptance at once.—Townes."

This appointment came from Governor Hobby, and was made necessary by the resignation of Chairman J. A. Haley. Mr. Wolcott immediately wired acceptance of the appointment and will enter upon his duties as chairman of the board at once.

INFANT DAUGHTER OF MR. AND MRS. J. S. HENRY DEAD

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Henry, aged two years and eight months, died Thursday at the family home in this city after an illness of short duration, a sufferer of pneumonia.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. J. W. Cowan at the residence of the parents at 11 o'clock this morning and burial was made at Fairview cemetery immediately following.

The Reporter extends condolence to the bereaved parents in the loss of their little one.

FATAL ACCIDENT NEAR MONUMENT, N. M.

Gib Crenshaw, who was here this week from his ranch in New Mexico, reports a fatal auto accident near Monument last week. Miss Elnora Cooper, 18 year old daughter of J. W. Cooper, and another lady whose name could not be ascertained, were riding in a Ford roadster driven by Connor Carson. From some cause the car was overturned killing Miss Cooper instantly and badly bruising the young man. The other occupant of the car was uninjured.

GRANDMA SMOOT PASSES AWAY AT 78 YEARS OF AGE

On Tuesday night of this week, Mrs. J. J. Smoot, familiarly and affectionately known by scores of friends as "Grandma" Smoot, died after a lingering illness due to the infirmities of age. The deceased had been a resident of Midland for many years and was 78 years of age at the time of her death. Funeral services were conducted at the residence of deceased Wednesday afternoon by Revs. W. H. Foster and J. W. Cowan, after which interment was made in Fairview cemetery.

Gib Crenshaw was in from the ranch near Lovington, N. M., this week and reports few losses.

THE SECOND DRAFT WILL BEGIN SOON

Movement of 95,000 Drafted Men Begins March 29—Texas Quota 3,943 Men

A movement of 95,000 drafted men to being on March 29th, and continue for five days has been ordered by Provost Marshal General Crowder. The order calls troops from every State in the Union with the exception of Iowa and Minnesota. It includes men remaining from the first draft and those liable to call in the second.

The call by States includes: Texas, 3,943 men; Oklahoma, 598.

Provost Marshal General Crowder has made the first official announcement of the time of the second draft. It will be ordered as soon as congress amends the law to compute the basis of apportionment among States on the number of registrants in class 1 instead of population. For purposes of computation 800,000 men will be considered as composing the second draft, although no such number will be called to the colors at any one time.

Men in deferred classifications, the provost marshal general announced, would be called in small numbers as well as men in class 1 for the purpose of utilizing special technical qualifications or sending them to schools to acquire such qualifications.

The provost marshal general makes the definite statement, however, that there will be no sudden withdrawal of great numbers of men from industry and agriculture during the coming summer, but that they will be drawn in relatively small groups spread throughout the year. To give exact numbers, he says, would be to give the enemy military information.

While General Crowder sets no time in his statement, it has been stated previously that supplies and equipment for the men of the draft would become available in April and action on the desired legislation is expected before that time. The first calls are expected soon afterward.

TOBE TERRY GETS DISCHARGE FROM ARMY

Tobe Terry returned home this week from Camp Travis, where he was enlisted in the engineers' corps. Tobe received an honorable discharge on account of physical disabilities, having been in the hospital for some time.

CHURCHES TO HAVE UNION MEETINGS

In Compliance With Government's Request, Churches Will Worship Together Sunday Night

Churches throughout the country have been requested by government authorities to devote the Sunday night service to a union meeting of all protestant churches in each town or community throughout the month of March for the purpose, first of offering concerted prayer for the success of American armies in the world war and second, for the conservation of fuel.

Midland churches have complied with the request, the first union service being held last Sunday night in the Christian church when Rev. J. W. Cowan, pastor of the Methodist church, preached a very able sermon to a good sized audience.

On next Sunday night the union service will be held at the Methodist church when Rev. W. H. Foster, pastor of the Presbyterian church, will preach. On the following Sunday night the service will be held in the Baptist church and will be conducted by Rev. J. T. McKissick, pastor of the Christian church.

On the 5th Sunday night it is the purpose of the pastors' association of the city to devote the regular preaching hour to a grand rally of all the churches, a sort of get-together meeting in which the laymen will take part, and many interesting talks by members of the various congregations are anticipated.

It is expected that these meetings will greatly strengthen the bond of unity and Christian fellowship already existing between the churches of the city and that much good will be derived therefrom.

TWENTY DOLLARS IN GOLD IS OFFERED FOR A NAME

The stock of the Broken Dollar Store recently bought at bankrupt sale, is being moved this week to the Garrett & Brown building, first door north of the post office. The old fixtures have been remodeled, new fixtures added and a new stock of goods has been ordered which is due to arrive in a short time. Frank Dyer, manager, has hit upon a novel plan to secure a name for the new store. He offers \$20 in gold to the person who will submit the most appropriate name for the new store, full particulars being given in the display ad on back page of this issue. Read it and get busy after this easy money.

OUT AGAIN AFTER AN ATTACK OF RHEUMATISM

The Reporter is pleased to note that J. Harvey Clark, the genial and urbane real estate and insurance man, is able to be on the streets again after having been confined to his home for about three weeks, a sufferer of rheumatism.

DR. CLARK PROMOTED TO RANK OF CAPTAIN

A letter received from Dr. J. Frank Clark by one of his friends in Midland brings the news that the Doctor has recently recovered from an illness of short duration, during which time he was confined in the hospital at Camp Pike, Ark. News has also reached here that Dr. Clark, who had received a commission as first lieutenant, has been promoted to the rank of captain. This will be a pleasing bit of news to his many friends here, and The Reporter joins these in extending congratulations and a salute to Captain Clark.

TWO CONCERNS WILL MOVE TO MAIN STREET NEXT WEEK

W. H. Spaulding, dealer in Cadillac automobiles and accessories, and the Midland Battery Company will next week move into the Jno. M. Cowden building on the west side of Main street. The front is being remodeled and the building overhauled generally for their occupancy. A first-class filling station will be installed where gasoline and free air may be had at all times, and these two concerns will be in position to take care of the autoist's every want.

Stockmen Attention

The cheapest hay or roughage with a food value is Sorghum Cane Hay.

Note this Analysis

Protein	6 per cent
Fat	3 per cent
Carbohydrates	46 per cent
(Sugar and Starch)	

We offer this cane hay at \$18.50 per ton in earload lots, delivered, Midland, Texas.

THE
Fort Scott Sorghum Syrup Co.
FORT SCOTT, KANSAS

Silk Dresses

Just received this week all beautiful numbers. The newest spring styles in silk dresses. Prices ranging from

\$22.50 to \$40.00

We want you to come in and look them over. You are under no obligations to buy.

Silks--Silks--Silks

Have you seen the many beautiful patterns we are showing in Silks? When you price them you will agree that we are "The Store that Saves you Money." They were bought early and our prices are the lowest,

Gents' Furnishings Dept.

We are receiving new things in this department almost daily. Novelty hats for spring just received. These are the newest in Hats for men.

Florsheim Shoes

mean Quality, Style and Economy. A shipment of them received this week. Our prices are less than you can buy them in any town in West Texas. We are exclusive agents in Midland. We have them in lasts to fit every foot.

Have you bought a War Savings Stamp? No better investment could be made.

We Want Your Grocery Business--Your Business Appreciated, Whether Large or Small

Midland Mercantile Company

Grocery Phone No. 6

"The Store that Saves You Money"

Dry Goods Phone No. 284

LISTEN—

Every man should own his own home, because it is the most valued earthly treasure in existence. Besides being a good investment, it is nature's obligation, a man's solemn duty. Come and see us.

BUILD YOU A HOME

ROCKWELL BROS. & CO.

(Midland Lumber Company)

MONTHLY REPORT OF CITY SCHOOLS

(Continued from page 1)

Virginia Hale.....	90
Mary Frances Norwood.....	90
Ruth Norwood.....	90
Johnnie Preston.....	90
Magna Cum Laude (85 to 89)	
Gloraia Crossett.....	89 4-5
T. T. Garrard.....	89 4-5
Martin Bradford.....	89 2-3
Lillie Mae Norwood.....	89 3-5
Jimie Lee Podie.....	89 3-5
Harwell Whitmire.....	89 3-5
Jessie Ramsay.....	89 1-2
Esten Shumate.....	89 1-3
Herman Klapproth.....	94 1-4
Ora May Parks.....	89 1-5
Winnie Runyan.....	89 1-6
Ainslee Estes.....	89
Kenneth Johnson.....	88 4-5
Sadie Bradshaw.....	88 3-5
Virginia Coyle.....	88 1-2
Witzel Whitmire.....	88 1-5
Richard Ramsay.....	88 1-5
Florence Rhoden.....	88
Beatrice Logan.....	88
Roy Jones.....	87 4-5
Louis Flood.....	87 4-5
Drotha Johnston.....	87 3-5
Ben Wall.....	87 1-6
Jim Bob Allison.....	86 3-5
Elizabeth Smith.....	86 3-5
Annie Lee Brunson.....	86 1-6
Louise Karkalits.....	86 1-6
Fred Girdley.....	85 2-5
Clarence Baker.....	85 1-5
Earl Ray.....	85 1-5
Steward Jones.....	85
Jim Flanigan.....	85
Eva Allison.....	85
Freddie Bradford.....	85
South Ward—Summa Cum Laude (90 or more)	
Scharbauer Eidson.....	93 3-5
Susan Cowden.....	93 2-5
Paul Hedges.....	93 2-5
Bush Jones.....	92 2-3
Roy Filler.....	92 1-2
Ernest Locklar.....	92 1-3
J. B. Stark.....	92 1-3
Glendora Crossett.....	92
Florence Manning.....	92
Georgia Kirk Davis.....	91 5-6
T. J. Stokes.....	91 5-6
Truman Nance.....	91 2-3
Jessie Mae Estes.....	91 1-2
Gordon Jones.....	91 2-5
Kitta Belle Wolcott.....	91 1-3
Bernetta Ray.....	91
Sue Terry.....	91
Louis Thomas.....	91
Otha Moore.....	91
Jack Ramsay.....	91
Grady Henry.....	90 5-6
Carroll Tigner.....	90 5-6

Mary Fleenor.....	90 2-3
Pearl Wimberly.....	90 2-3
Lela Fay Erwin.....	90 3-5
Wilford Cobb.....	90 1-2
Marie Cobb.....	90 2-5
Iola Lee.....	90 1-5
Ruby Moore.....	90 1-6
Cora Mae Haley.....	90
Thalbert Thomas.....	90
Sidney House.....	90
Magna Cum Laude (85 to 89)	
Eunice Nance.....	89 1-2
Jacksie Floyd.....	89 1-6
Ray Coleman.....	88 5-6
Velma Puckett.....	88 4-5
Paul King.....	88 1-6
H. B. Dunagan, Jr.....	88 1-6
H. B. Dorsey, Jr.....	88
Betty V. Trammell.....	87 2-3
Lucile Lee.....	87 2-3
Clinton Dunagan.....	87 2-3
Lois Alexander.....	87 1-2
John Wesley Crowley.....	87 2-3
Carl Klebold.....	87 1-5
Dorothy Ratliff.....	87
Lela Mary Heard.....	86 5-6
Othell Wilmoth.....	86 5-6
Gladys Inman.....	86 2-3
Lynch King.....	86 2-5
Sammie Powell.....	86 1-5
Harry Bally.....	86 1-6
Elizabeth McKissick.....	86 1-6
Jessie King.....	86 1-6
Beulah Henry.....	86 1-6
Ellis Locklar.....	86
Jean Smith.....	86
Katie Ruth Anderson.....	86
Ike Ethridge.....	85 2-3
Harry Ramsay.....	85 1-2
Fannie Floyd.....	85 1-2
Frances Ratliff.....	85 1-3
K. E. Nutt, Jr.....	85 1-6
Lola Fox.....	85 1-6
Marvin Beauchamp.....	85
Thomas Barber.....	85
Alice Pliska.....	85
Hilliard Terry.....	85
Ruth Whitmire.....	85

Junior League	
Leader—Myrtle Whitmire.	
Song No. 89.	
Subject, "Truth."	
Reference reading, Pa 15—Leader.	
Roll call and response with reference word, "Truth."	
Sentence prayers.	
Song No. 93.	
Hundredth psalm in concert.	
A march—by all.	
Piano solo—Bernice Norwood.	
Reading—Jack Edwards.	
Piano solo—Alma Cowan.	
Announcements and joining of new members.	
Closing song No. 340.	
Benediction.	
D. H. Dean, of Winters, was a guest this week of his sister, Mrs. Lee Bradshaw.	

WASHINGTON TRIP VERY INTERESTING

O'Donnell Tells of His and Garrard's Visit to Secure Cantonment for Midland

The writer met The Reporter man on the streets yesterday, and requested me to write and tell all that happened on the trip that Tom Garrard and I made to Washington to get a cantonment for Midland. To write and tell the readers of The Reporter all that happened on this trip would hardly be fair; first, for the reason that Mr. Garrard is not in the city, and the second is that we did not travel all the way through to Washington together. Furthermore, our wives live here in Midland, and after studying over the matter I am of the opinion that The Reporter man is trying to get Mr. Garrard and myself into trouble. However, I will briefly tell of the most important events that happened on our trip.

On boarding the train at Midland Friday evening, February 22nd, we made the journey to St. Louis without incident worth mentioning. While passing through Fort Worth I wired the president of the Baltimore and Ohio to send transportation for the president of the Midland & Northwestern Railway from St. Louis to Washington and return. On reaching St. Louis and getting the transportation I noticed that it only read to Washington, Ind., and return. Washington, Ind., only being a short distance from St. Louis, I was compelled to stay in St. Louis and have the transportation corrected to Washington, D. C., which I did. Mr. Garrard had wired Miss Chachie Holloway, a cousin of his wife and a daughter of our well known townsman, Burl Holloway, that he was coming to Washington and would be there on a certain train; therefore he had to go ahead and leave me in St. Louis. Now what Mr. Garrard did after leaving me in St. Louis up to and including his arrival in Washington, I am unable to say; therefore that part of the trip must be left blank, and as what I did after Mr. Garrard left me in St. Louis, I am also going to leave blank, as I have no proof as to what Mr. Garrard did while out of my company, the same is applicable to myself while I was out of his company. Therefore neither one of us had any proof against each other. I think it advisable then, to leave this period blank, and begin my story from Washington, D. C.

Mr. Garrard is well acquainted in Washington and had seen several different congressmen and United States senators before I arrived. The arrival of Miss Holloway was also a day later than my own. Senator Sheppard, the accommodating and efficient United States senator from Texas, who stands very high with the administration at Washington, gave us letters of introduction to Col. Graves and Col. Edgar, of the War Department. We called on Col. Graves and had a very pleasant talk with him concerning a cantonment for Midland. However, he advised that they were building no new cantonments at the present time, but that they were figuring on a rifle range, but as fifteen delegations had called on them in one day to secure this proposition they had changed their plans and at present would not consider any proposition to build more cantonments or accept any location for rifle range. They are, however, building some cantonments in the north, but these were provided for in the original program or budget of the War Department. On account of the severe winter all of the cantonments originally planned have not been built, but the same are being built now.

Having disposed of the cantonment matter, and Miss Holloway having arrived, and being very desirous of seeing some of the sights of the city, we proceeded to take in the art gallery, the different public buildings and the Smithsonian Institute. Now the Smithsonian Institute is a very interesting place to visit, and is well worth a trip to Washington, as in this institute you will see skeletons of animals that are, and animals that "ain't," besides other interesting specimens of odd things.

While in Washington we called on Secretary Tumulty, who is private secretary to the President, and who treated us very nicely and gave us a chance to sit in the President's chair, which chance we each and all availed ourselves of. Mr. Tumulty also showed us over the office part of the White House. We failed to see the President on account of not having time to wait three or four days to get the opportunity. Mr. Wilson is very busy and to get an audience with him requires time and quite a "pull." We had the "pull" but not the time.

After visiting Mr. Tumulty we called

Dress Goods

We received this week several pieces of *Imperial Chambray* in very attractive patterns, which were bought early enough to be sold at **27c**

We have also a beautiful line of *Tissue Gingham* which we are selling at **25c and 35c**

We invite you to look at these before buying your dress material.

Ready-to-Wear Department

An attractive line of the latest novelties in Skirts is now on display. We want you to see the new things in *Nevada Gaberdines, Hawaiian Cloth and Irish Poplin*, which are made up in a variety of pretty colors, Blue, Tan, Rose, Sammy and Yellow. These skirts sell at **\$4.75 to \$5.25**

Don't Forget the Children's and Misses' Gingham Dresses

Gents' Furnishings

You are no doubt aware of the fact that a high grade wool suit has become a costly article. We have a line of suits for men, in *Kirschbaum and Kuppenheimer* makes that are absolutely *all wool*. We can fit you in a medium weight or a summer weight suit, either in an English model or a more conservative model, at prices varying from **\$15 to \$35**

We want you to see our new *Dress Shirts* in the French cuff style at **\$1.50**. They are attractive and economical.

The Boys' Store

We Can Suit Your Boy

Let us show you our medium weight suits, good for Spring or Fall in values from **\$6.50 to \$12.50**, on sale from **\$4.90 to \$9.40**

This is an excellent time to buy a suit that will do for this Spring and next Fall.

Bring us your Business and your Cash



Blouses and Shirts

We have a new line of Little Boy Blue and Perfecto blouses and shirts for Boys, in the good staple colors, that will help solve the "Boy Problem." They sell at **50c to \$1.00**

Let him wear "Iron Clad" hose and save so much darning.

We will Save you Money

EVERYBODY'S

ed on Secretary McAdoo, director general of the American railways and secretary of treasury. We found Mr. McAdoo to be a big, whole-souled, conscientious, hard working Democrat and a full grown man with a grown man's job, which he is doing in such an acceptable manner that there is strong possibility of the Democrats choosing him as their standard bearer in 1920. Mr. McAdoo seemed to be pleased to meet us and gave us an opportunity to "raise some money" in Washington. We went down into the vault of the Treasury Department and Miss Holloway raised \$80,000,000 in \$10,000 gold certificates and without difficulty. Tom Garrard and myself "raised" \$120,000,000 each. The guide who was showing us through the building stated since the war they were not permitting many people in the vault to "raise" money. The last one that had the privilege of raising money in the vault was Miss Lillian Russell, the celebrated actress. We saw more unspent money in the Treasury Department than we ever dreamed was in the world, and we must certainly say that our Uncle Sam has a strong box that is no way near empty.

Illustrative of how difficult it is to see one of the cabinet officers or the president, will state that we took a taxi from the hotel to the White House and the driver, being a dorky, asked us where we wanted to go. We told him we wanted to go to the White House and to the Treasury Department. He said: "It's sho' no use to go dar, as nobody can't get in on account of de soldiers, but if yo get's in bof' dese places on de same day, yo' sho' must be big people here in Washington." Well, we got in all right and out again. In conversation with Senator Sheppard he stated that if the drive was successful on the western front this spring there would be no more cantonments built in the United States, but if the drive was unsuccessful, no telling how many more we would build, and that if there were any more cantonments built Midland's petition would be taken up and careful consideration would be given to the same.

I failed to see Congressman Blanton, but I learned that congress does not convene until the usual hour, which is 12 o'clock. I also learned that the military highway had not been built along the Rio Grande to protect the Texas border from the

Mexicans. These being campaign pledges of Congressman Blanton's, left over as uncompleted, I would suggest that he get busy, and get congress to work at 8 o'clock as he agreed to do and get this military highway constructed so that no Germans may slip upon us unawares from Mexico, which he stated they were liable to do in his campaign. He is very diligently working to get garden seeds taken away from the farmers. His district being in the dry belt such an attempt on his part leads me to believe that the money power has evidently grabbed him, and he has fallen in the lap of the "luxuriously rich and is valiantly advertising the fact that we have a severe drouth on in West Texas, by keeping it constantly before the financial world. All of which, in my opinion, serves to make the money lenders of the East more scrutinizing and exacting in demanding gilt edge securities.

In conclusion, will state that we had a very pleasant trip in Washington and that should the citizens of Midland ever need a man to go to Washington to look after any business matter they will make no mistake in sending Tom Garrard, as he is personally acquainted with several congressmen besides two members of the cabinet, United States supreme judge, the treasurer of the United States and others connected with the different departments. Mr. Garrard is a worker when there is anything to do or can be done. Miss Holloway is one of Midland's charming young ladies, and she stated that she enjoyed seeing the sights of Washington and thought that she might go over to France to do her bit for our country.

T. J. O'Donnell.

SUNDAY AT THE CHURCHES

Methodist Church
The regular morning services will be conducted as usual but we will dismiss the evening service and will join in with the union service at the Christian church. All members are especially urged to attend all of these services.
J. W. Cowan, Pastor.

Christian Church
Bible school at 9:30 in the morning and preaching at 11 o'clock by the reg.

ular minister. Juniors meet at 3 p. m. Union services at night. Everybody invited.
J. T. McKissick, Minister.

Presbyterian Church
How about filling your place at Sunday School and church next Sabbath? Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. Morning worship at 11 o'clock. The evening worship will be the union meeting of all the churches in town at the Christian church. It is urged that all members of this congregation be at that service. And we hope that all members of the choirs of the city will feel freedom in performing their duty at that service by being in the choir.

Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30.
Choir practice Saturday evening at 7:15 at the home of Mrs. Ella Youngblood.
W. H. Foster, Pastor.

Attention, B. Y. P. U. Members! You are drafted. Come and salute your captain Sunday, March 10th, at 6:30 p. m.

Goodyear now equip more new cars than any other make combined. Western Auto Supply Company carry a full line. adv20-1f

Appeal to Midland Red Cross Members

The government needs every piece of paper or rag, which you can save for her.

I am willing to offer my spare time and work for that purpose. I am also authorized to offer \$50 for the first car you are saving, \$100 for the second, etc.

When you have a good many saved up, phone 222 and we'll come and get them.

Respectfully,
M. LEVINSON
of the City Grocery Co.

Furniture and Floor Coverings

Stoves and ranges; paints, oils, varnishes and artists' materials; sewing machines and supplies. We can sell you a sewing machine on terms as low as \$3.00 down and 50c a week. No use to be without a machine when you can buy one on such easy terms.



Victrolas

The greatest home entertainer on earth.

A few good Pianos left at unheard of bargains

Basham, Shepherd & Co.

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News di brought t. D. Baker, with a sta rived in F mored cru Upon h safe arriv Associated the War the Secre tary and purposes conference Baker is eral Willi gineers; Brett, an secretary. Secretar brief tim suits alre partment field this factor in eve of hi members expect to The Se Washing tempt at ments the refrain fr The, new hearty coe ny as su submarine been prin For se has been the front eral Perli bility for program problems the depar possible f home for Baker t many con son to go will, he b great res eral Pers ing mem taining a miles lon

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SEC'Y OF WAR NOW IN FRANCE

In Conference With Pershing and Entente Commanders at the Seat of Operations

News dispatches early in the week brought the information that Newton D. Baker, American Secretary of War, with a staff of seven persons, had arrived in France on an American armored cruiser.

Upon hearing of Secretary Baker's safe arrival in France, through the Associated Press dispatch from Paris, the War Department announced that the Secretary's visit is purely military and not diplomatic and is for purposes of inspection and personal conferences with military officials. Mr. Baker is accompanied by Major-General William M. Black, chief of engineers; Lieutenant Colonel M. L. Brett, and Ralph Hayes, his private secretary.

Secretary Baker plans to spend a brief time in France, inspecting results already accomplished by his department in its efforts to place in the field this year an army that will be a factor in the campaign. On the eve of his departure Mr. Baker told members of the press that he did not expect to be away long.

The Secretary and his party left Washington without any other attempt at concealment of their movements than a request that the press refrain from reporting his departure. The newspapers again worked in hearty co-operation to make the journey as safe as possible from German submarines. No hint of the trip has been printed.

For several months the Secretary has been eager to see conditions at the front and to talk over with General Pershing, upon whom responsibility for the entire American war program in France rests, the many problems that have arisen to impede the department's plans. It was impossible for General Pershing to come home for such a conference. Mr. Baker therefore determined after many conferences with President Wilson to go on an inspection tour which will, he believes, better fit him for his great responsibility in meeting General Pershing's requirements in fighting men and materials and in maintaining a supply line more than 3,000 miles long.

It is regarded as probable that the Secretary will inform the American commander in the field as to all the hopes and aims of the Government which are at stake in the war.

Mr. Baker is the first cabinet member to go to the battle zone. Out of his conferences, not only with General Pershing, but with the leaders of the French and British Governments as well, will come direct information for the President, as to what is transpiring in the allied countries to aid him in shaping his future course.

The War Secretary is in Europe as the President's official representative, and the fact that it is his War Secretary and not a diplomatic representative is regarded as evidence of the determination of the President to press the war aggressively to victory.

WORDING OF AD IS SOMEWHAT MISLEADING

The advertisement of Smith Bros. the Cash and Carry Store, appearing elsewhere in this issue, states that on Monday, March 18th, they will sell to everybody for cash only, the wording being capable of the construction that the rule applied for that day only. As a matter of fact, this rule applies on and after Monday, March 18. It is the purpose of this firm to operate on a strictly cash basis in the future.

LEAVE FOR MONTANA TO MAKE THEIR HOME

H. R. Houston and family left on Thursday afternoon for Kalispell, Montana, where they will make their future home. Mr. Houston and his estimable family made many friends during their three years' residence in Midland who wish for them a full measure of success in their new home.

R. W. Shaw and C. E. Jones, of Crosbyton, were here the first of the week on business.

DRY ZONE LAW ON APRIL FIFTEENTH

Both House and Senate Accept Free Conference Report on the Ten Mile Zone Bill

The house of representatives on last Monday afternoon adopted the report of the free conference committee on the ten-mile zone bill which the senate amended and which makes the date upon which the law is effective April 15th instead of April 1st, as provided in the house bill. The vote was 98 to 2.

The senate this afternoon by a vote of 23 to 0 adopted the report of the free conference committee. Both branches of the legislature having adopted the report, the bill now goes to the governor.

In the house Representatives Taylor and Davis of Harris County voted against the bill.

The only opposition to accepting the senate amendment came from Representative Davis, of Harris. Representatives Spencer and Veatch spoke for it. Spencer said: "We are now confronted with a practical problem, not a theory."

He declared that the senate could not get the necessary two-thirds vote to carry the emergency clause if the date was set at April 1. Veatch said that he had been fighting for prohibition for forty years.

"Originally, I favored April 1st," he declared, "but why quibble over a matter of fifteen days? Let's have it over with."

The free conference committee of the house and senate today voted to accept the senate amendment to the ten-mile zone bill, fixing April 15th as the date when the bill will be effective.

The vote to accept the senate amendment was taken after it had been explained that there was every reason to believe that the senate could not get enough votes to carry the emergency clause if the date was made April 1st, as it passed the house.

Several members of the committee expressed belief that there would be no difficulty in getting enough votes to carry the emergency by accepting April 15th. The point also was emphasized that failure to carry the emergency clause would mean that the law would not become effective until ninety days after adjournment.

W. H. WOLCOTT ON EXEMPTION BOARD

The following telegram was received Thursday by Secretary W. L. Graves of the local exemption board: "Austin, Texas, March 14, 1918.—Local Board, Midland, Texas: W. H. Wolcott has been appointed member of your board. Please have him qualify and assume duties, wiring acceptance at once.—Townes."

This appointment came from Governor Hobby, and was made necessary by the resignation of Chairman J. A. Haley. Mr. Wolcott immediately wired acceptance of the appointment and will enter upon his duties as chairman of the board at once.

INFANT DAUGHTER OF MR. AND MRS. J. S. HENRY DEAD

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Henry, aged two years and eight months, died Thursday at the family home in this city after an illness of short duration, a sufferer of pneumonia.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. J. W. Cowan at the residence of the parents at 11 o'clock this morning and burial was made at Fairview cemetery immediately following.

The Reporter extends condolence to the bereaved parents in the loss of their little one.

FATAL ACCIDENT NEAR MONUMENT, N. M.

Gib Crenshaw, who was here this week from his ranch in New Mexico, reports a fatal auto accident near Monument last week. Miss Elnora Cooper, 18 year old daughter of J. W. Cooper, and another lady whose name could not be ascertained, were riding in a Ford roadster driven by Connor Carson. From some cause the car was overturned killing Miss Cooper instantly and badly bruising the young man. The other occupant of the car was uninjured.

GRANDMA SMOOT PASSES AWAY AT 78 YEARS OF AGE

On Tuesday night of this week, Mrs. J. J. Smoot, familiarly and affectionately known by scores of friends as "Grandma" Smoot, died after a lingering illness due to the infirmities of age. The deceased had been a resident of Midland for many years and was 78 years of age at the time of her death. Funeral services were conducted at the residence of deceased Wednesday afternoon by Revs. W. H. Foster and J. W. Cowan, after which interment was made in Fairview cemetery.

Gib Crenshaw was in from the ranch near Lovington, N. M., this week and reports few losses.

THE SECOND DRAFT WILL BEGIN SOON

Movement of 95,000 Drafted Men Begins March 29—Texas Quota 3,943 Men

A movement of 95,000 drafted men to being on March 29th, and continue for five days has been ordered by Provost Marshal General Crowder. The order calls troops from every State in the Union with the exception of Iowa and Minnesota. It includes men remaining from the first draft and those liable to call in the second.

The call by States includes: Texas, 3,943 men; Oklahoma, 598.

Provost Marshal General Crowder has made the first official announcement of the time of the second draft. It will be ordered as soon as congress amends the law to compute the basis of apportionment among States on the number of registrants in class 1 instead of population. For purposes of computation 800,000 men will be considered as composing the second draft, although no such number will be called to the colors at any one time.

Men in deferred classifications, the provost marshal general announced, would be called in small numbers as well as men in class 1 for the purpose of utilizing special technical qualifications or sending them to schools to acquire such qualifications.

The provost marshal general makes the definite statement, however, that there will be no sudden withdrawal of great numbers of men from industry and agriculture during the coming summer, but that they will be drawn in relatively small groups spread throughout the year. To give exact numbers, he says, would be to give the enemy military information.

While General Crowder sets no time in his statement, it has been stated previously that supplies and equipment for the men of the draft would become available in April and action on the desired legislation is expected before that time. The first calls are expected soon afterward.

TOBE TERRY GETS DISCHARGE FROM ARMY

Tobe Terry returned home this week from Camp Travis, where he was enlisted in the engineers' corps. Tobe received an honorable discharge on account of physical disabilities, having been in the hospital for some time.

CHURCHES TO HAVE UNION MEETINGS

In Compliance With Government's Request, Churches Will Worship Together Sunday Night

Churches throughout the country have been requested by government authorities to devote the Sunday night service to a union meeting of all protestant churches in each town or community throughout the month of March for the purpose, first of offering concerted prayer for the success of American armies in the world war and second, for the conservation of fuel.

Midland churches have complied with the request, the first union service being held last Sunday night in the Christian church when Rev. J. W. Cowan, pastor of the Methodist church, preached a very able sermon to a good sized audience.

On next Sunday night the union service will be held at the Methodist church when Rev. W. H. Foster, pastor of the Presbyterian church, will preach. On the following Sunday night the service will be held in the Baptist church and will be conducted by Rev. J. T. McKissick, pastor of the Christian church.

On the 5th Sunday night it is the purpose of the pastors' association of the city to devote the regular preaching hour to a grand rally of all the churches, a sort of get-together meeting in which the laymen will take part, and many interesting talks by members of the various congregations are anticipated.

It is expected that these meetings will greatly strengthen the bond of unity and Christian fellowship already existing between the churches of the city and that much good will be derived therefrom.

TWENTY DOLLARS IN GOLD IS OFFERED FOR A NAME

The stock of the Broken Dollar Store recently bought at bankrupt sale, is being moved this week to the Garrett & Brown building, first door north of the post office. The old fixtures have been remodeled, new fixtures added and a new stock of goods has been ordered which is due to arrive in a short time. Frank Dyer, manager, has hit upon a novel plan to secure a name for the new store. He offers \$20 in gold to the person who will submit the most appropriate name for the new store, full particulars being given in the display ad on back page of this issue. Read it and get busy after this easy money.

OUT AGAIN AFTER AN ATTACK OF RHEUMATISM

The Reporter is pleased to note that J. Harvey Clark, the genial and urbane real estate and insurance man, is able to be on the streets again after having been confined to his home for about three weeks, a sufferer of rheumatism.

DR. CLARK PROMOTED TO RANK OF CAPTAIN

A letter received from Dr. J. Frank Clark by one of his friends in Midland brings the news that the Doctor has recently recovered from an illness of short duration, during which time he was confined in the hospital at Camp Pike, Ark. News has also reached here that Dr. Clark, who had received a commission as first lieutenant, has been promoted to the rank of captain. This will be a pleasing bit of news to his many friends here, and The Reporter joins these in extending congratulations and a salute to Captain Clark.

TWO CONCERNS WILL MOVE TO MAIN STREET NEXT WEEK

W. H. Spaulding, dealer in Cadillac automobiles and accessories, and the Midland Battery Company will next week move into the Jno. M. Cowden building on the west side of Main street. The front is being remodeled and the building overhauled generally for their occupancy. A first-class filling station will be installed where gasoline and free air may be had at all times, and these two concerns will be in position to take care of the autoist's every want.

Stockmen Attention

The cheapest hay or roughage with a food value is Sorghum Cane Hay.

Protein	6 per cent
Fat	3 per cent
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We offer this cane hay at \$18.50 per ton in carload lots, delivered, Midland, Texas.

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Silk Dresses

Just received this week all beautiful numbers. The newest spring styles in silk dresses. Prices ranging from \$22.50 to \$40.00

We want you to come in and look them over. You are under no obligations to buy.

Silks--Silks--Silks

Have you seen the many beautiful patterns we are showing in Silks? When you price them you will agree that we are "The Store that Saves you Money." They were bought early and our prices are the lowest.

Gents' Furnishings Dept.

We are receiving new things in this department almost daily. Novelty hats for spring just received. These are the newest in Hats for men.

Florsheim Shoes

mean Quality, Style and Economy. A shipment of them received this week. Our prices are less than you can buy them in any town in West Texas. We are exclusive agents in Midland. We have them in lasts to fit every foot.

Buy what you need--and no more--but buy the best.

We Want Your Grocery Business---Your Business Appreciated, Whether Large or Small

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Grocery Phone No. 6 "The Store that Saves You Money" Dry Coods Phone No. 284

About 85 Children's Dresses at Last Year's Prices

These are in sizes 2 to 14 years and are prices just as they were a year ago, at 50c, 60c, 75c and up to \$1.25.

To appreciate the value we are offering you in this lot of dresses, remember that the materials from which these are made, has exactly doubled in price and today, you can buy these garments for practically what the goods alone would cost.

ON THE FRONT COUNTER, AT LAST YEAR'S PRICES



Four New Wonderful Wirthmor Waists this week

YOU WILL WONDER HOW SUCH VALUES CAN BE MADE AT THE PRICE OF ONE DOLLAR. This is easily explained when we tell you that more than SIXTEEN THOUSAND of the best merchants throughout the whole U. S. contract a year ahead for their allotment of Wirthmor Waists. This in turn, permits the manufacturer to contract ahead for immense quantities of materials. This explains how such wonderful values can be offered in these waists.

THE SAME PRICE EVERYWHERE

\$1.00

WELWORTH WAISTS at \$2.00 EACH ARE EQUALLY AS WONDERFUL VALUES.

This week brought a world of Beautiful Ready-to-Wear

In New Skirts, New Blouses, New Dresses and Coats, and you will be surprised to find how reasonable these are priced.

Won't you come in and see these, we'd be glad to have you do so without any obligation on your part.

This store knows that it cannot sell merchandise unless it has the opportunity to show this merchandise and it is a pleasure, yes, doubly so this season for we pride ourselves that in spite of the serious shortage of desirable merchandise, we have an assortment of Spring Styles that any store twice our size could well be proud of.

This Store "Is On the Job" Closer than Ever Before

Wadley-Patterson Comp'y

One Price—the Lowest—For Cash Only

UNIQUE THEATRE

Last Friday night "The Hand that Rocks the Cradle," was a scientific lecture picture by Lois Weber, she also starring in same. The picture dealt upon a very vital and delicate subject, and was food for deep thought. The argument was strong, the acting superb, and while the entertaining feature was lacking in a certain sense, still a thoughtful person would get great good therefrom.

Tonight, Friday, a very fine Vitagraph picture will be shown starring some of the leading performers of this great company, and we have an interesting program before us.

Saturday night another delightful Mutual drama and a Vitagraph comedy will be shown.

"Civilization" last Tuesday, matinee and night, was shown to large and appreciative audiences. This powerful production was interesting and touching and was something different from the general run of war pictures. It was on a more solid foundation, of a religious nature. The

scenes were beautiful, the story interesting and the acting artistic. It showed the world war, or any other war, was brought about from an ambitious ruler, who was perfectly willing to sacrifice the lives of his subjects to gratify his unrighteous ambitions and desires, and showed the lowly Savior in the form of a righteous man who was trying to bring about world peace. While the story was the writings of a pacifist, still from a biblical view we all had to acknowledge it true in every sense. Thos. H. Ince is the author of this masterpiece, and in the last scene it showed President Wilson congratulating the author upon the success of his work.

URGES EVERY FAMILY TO PLANT A GARDEN

A home garden for every family is even more important this year than it was last. The United States had just entered the war last year when the garden season opened. A year of experience in reduced consumption, transportation difficulties, and high prices has demonstrated the wisdom

of those who raised home gardens last year.

The food shortage is even more acute this year than it was last. The home garden will not only produce vegetables that will reduce the consumption of other foods during the summer, but it will produce vegetables that will take the place of other foods next winter. Every can of vegetables that is preserved this summer means just one more can that will not have to be transported next winter for local consumption and it relieves just that much more food for the army and for those persons who are not prepared to cultivate a garden.

The University of Missouri College of Agriculture is urging that every family in the State raise a garden. Every vacant lot in the cities and towns should be devoted to a food crop.

Have buyer for large tract of good farming land. Must be a bargain. Address, J. D. Cunningham, Montrose Apt., Room No. 1, Houston, Texas. adv-22-3t

TO GET RID OF POULTRY PARASITES

Start an Early, Vigorous Fight
Against the Blue Bug, Lice,
Mites and Other Pests

C. F. Weiman, extension poultry husbandman of the U. S. department of agriculture, co-operating with the A. & M. College of Texas, gives the following timely advice on the control of poultry pests:

Now is the time to vigorously fight the parasites of the poultry yard, in order to obtain the best results in controlling these pests which seriously hamper the production of poultry meat and eggs. The old axiom, an "ounce of prevention" applies to these operations, when performed with timeliness, and the farmer and poultryman who gets the jump on the swarms of enemies of the chicken at this time of the year, will reduce the amount of work necessary throughout the season. In addition the new spring hatched chicks will get a better start and make quick, economical gains.

Sodium Flouride (not sodium chloride or common salt), which can be purchased at any drug store, is the best kind of lice powder, and can be applied quickly and cheaply. The most popular method of application is by the so-called pinch method. Apply the powder on the neck, breast and fluff and along the spread of the wings. A small quantity held between the thumb and fore finger will be sufficient for each part of the fowl.

A dip can be made of one ounce of sodium flouride to one gallon of water. Immerse the fowl so that the liquid will penetrate beneath the feathers, as the lice feed on the shaft of the feather, near the skin. This should be done on warm, sunny days only.

The shikien, mite and blue bug or fowl tick can be kept in check by the use of crude oil or wood preservative. Crude oil can be applied with a brush as purchased. If a sprayer is used, mix with the crude oil 25 per cent kerosene as a thinner. Spray all woodwork of house, roosts, nests and litter or floor. Do not be sparing with the liquid. Wood preservatives is more penetrating than crude oil, but its effectiveness is not as lasting. Fleas can be controlled by cleanliness within the house and about the farm. Sprinkle litter and filth of all kinds with a strong salt solution.

An early application of spray and dusting powder saves money to the poultryman. Why not beat the lice, mite and blue bug to it?

LIEUTENANT MITCHELL WRITES FROM FRANCE

The editor of The Reporter is in receipt of the following letter from his esteemed friend, Lieut. P. R. Mitchell, formerly chief engineer and manager of the Midland Light Company. The letter is published in full and will be read with interest by Mr. Mitchell's many friends in Midland: Somewhere in France. Feb. 12, 1918.

Mr. C. O. Watson, Midland, Texas. Dear Friend: I have at last stopped long enough to drop you a line to let you know that Midland is well represented on this side of the pond, and believe me, half the men you meet here are from Texas, or at least they claim to be from Texas. We had a fine trip across the pond; no excitement to speak of. I never lost a night's sleep and never missed a meal on the boat. The only thing that made me sick was to see so much water and couldn't go fishing. This is a fine country here, the climate is perfect. I am sure you would like it. The people here never drink water, they claim it is not good. I know that between your business and the Concho, you never have time to write, so you must mail me one of your papers and I can see from that whether you are on the job or not. Give my regards to all the boys.

Lieut. Mitchell
Q. M. C. U. S. N. A., M. R. S. 302,
A. P. O. 708, France.

ALL SUBSCRIBERS WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

When you receive a letter from one of the soldier boys in France that you think would be of interest to the public and would like for us to publish same, we will be glad to do so, but if you wish to preserve the original letter please make a separate typewritten copy of same, and send it to us for publication. This will be very little trouble to you and it will save us a lot of worry, as we have a great amount of copy to set every week and it is hard for us to keep some of it from getting lost in the rush.



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Notice of Sheriff's Sale

The State of Texas, County of Midland. Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain execution issued out of the Honorable Justice Court, Precinct No. 1, Midland County, on the 8th day of February, A. D., 1918, by R. E. Crowley, justice of the peace of said court, for the sum of one hundred and 20 and 15-100 dollars and costs of suit, under a judgment, in favor of H. F. Hardin in a certain cause in said court No. 1326 and style H. F. Hardin vs J. E. Cooley, and placed in my hands for service. I, W. E. Bradford, as sheriff of Midland County, Texas, did, on the 9th day of February, A. D., 1918, levy on certain real estate, situated in Midland County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: All of lot No. 2 in block No. 2, West Midland Addition of the town of Midland, Midland County, Texas, and levied upon as the property of J. E. Cooley, and that on the first Tuesday in April, A. D., 1918, the same being the 2nd day of said month, at the court house door, of Midland County, in the town of Midland, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said execution, I will sell said above described real estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said J. E. Cooley. And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three

consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Midland Reporter, a newspaper published in Midland County.

Witness my hand, this 27th day of February, A. D., 1918.

W. E. Bradford,
Sheriff Midland County, Texas.
adv. 22-3t

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Should the Mattress fail in any one of these conditions, when subjected to ordinary use, on presentation of this Contract, we will replace the Mattress or refund the purchase price.
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COUNTY CLERK'S QUARTERLY REPORT

Quarter Ending January 31st, 1918

To the Honorable Commissioners' Court, Midland County, Texas, February Term, A. D., 1918:

W. E. Bradford, County Tax Collector, in account with Midland County, Texas, for Assessment under Several Fund, for the year 1918:

Debit

Dec. 1, 1917. To collection for Nov. 1917..... \$3639.35

Jan. 3, 1918. To collection for Dec. 1917..... 6577.54

Feb. 8, 1918. To collection for Jan. 1918..... 10074.49

\$20291.38

W. E. Bradford County Tax Collector, in account with Midland County, Texas, for Assessment under Several Fund, for the year 1918:

Credit

Dec. 1, 1917. By amount remitted 1st class treas. receipt No. 209..... \$ 96.03

Dec. 1, 1917. By amt remitted 2nd class treas. receipt No. 210..... 288.08

Dec. 1, 1917. By amt remitted 3rd class treas. receipt No. 211..... 2208.69

Dec. 1, 1917. By amt remitted 5th class treas. receipt No. 212..... 288.08

Dec. 1, 1917. By amt remitted 6th class treas. receipt No. 213..... 96.03

Dec. 1, 1917. By amt remitted 7th class treas. receipt No. 214..... 480.13

By com. on amt. col. for Nov. 1917..... 182.31

Jan. 3, 1918. By amt remitted 1st class treas. receipt No. 219..... 175.39

Jan. 3, 1918. By amt remitted 2nd class treas. receipt No. 220..... 326.16

Jan. 3, 1918. By amt remitted 3rd class treas. receipt No. 221..... 4033.92

Jan. 3, 1918. By amt remitted 5th class treas. receipt No. 222..... 526.16

Jan. 3, 1918. By amt remitted 6th class treas. receipt No. 223..... 175.38

Jan. 3, 1918. By amt remitted 7th class treas. receipt No. 224..... 876.94

By com. on amt. col. for Dec. 1917..... 263.59

Feb. 8, 1918. By amt remitted 1st class treas. receipt No. 231..... 276.10

Feb. 8, 1918. By amt remitted 2nd class treas. receipt No. 232..... 828.30

Feb. 8, 1918. By amt remitted 3rd class treas. receipt No. 233..... 6350.33

Feb. 8, 1918. By amt remitted 5th class treas. receipt No. 234..... 828.30

Feb. 8, 1918. By amt remitted 6th class treas. receipt No. 235..... 276.10

Feb. 8, 1918. By amt remitted 7th class treas. receipt No. 236..... 1380.50

By com. on amt. col. for Jan. 1918..... 134.86

\$20291.38

R. E. Crowley, Justice of the Peace,

Precinct No. One, in account with Midland County, Texas:

Debit

Dec. 17, 1917. 1735, fine..... \$5.30

Dec. 17, 1917. 1736, fine..... 5.00

Jan. 2, 1918. 1737, fine..... 3.90

Jan. 7, 1918. 1738, fine..... 1.00

Jan. 16, 1918. 1740, fine..... 1.00

Jan. 16, 1918. 1741, fine..... 1.00

\$18.00

R. E. Crowley, Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. One, in account with Midland County, Texas:

Credit

Jan. 31, 1918. By treas. receipt No. 225..... \$14.40

Less commission..... 3.60

\$10.80

I. H. Bell, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the First Class Fund:

Credit

By amt paid out during quarter Ex. A..... \$102.50

By 2 per cent com. on amt rec'd..... 11.72

By 2 per cent com. on amt pd out..... 2.05

By amt. to balance..... 658.93

\$774.99

I. H. Bell, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the First Class Fund:

Debit

Nov. 1, 1917. To balance..... \$188.81

Dec. 1, 1917. To First National Bank, treas. receipt No. 205..... 8.79

Dec. 1, 1917. To W. E. Bradford treas. receipt No. 209..... 96.03

Jan. 2, 1918. To First National Bank, treas. receipt No. 215..... 11.73

Jan. 3, 1918. To W. E. Bradford treas. receipt No. 219..... 175.39

Jan. 31, 1918. To First National Bank, treas. receipt No. 227..... 18.05

Feb. 8, 1918. To W. E. Bradford treas. receipt No. 231..... 276.10

\$774.99

Feb. 1, 1918. To balance..... \$658.63

I. H. Bell, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the Second Class Fund:

Debit

Nov. 1, 1917. To balance..... \$794.03

Dec. 1, 1917. To W. E. Bradford, treas. receipt No. 210..... 288.03

Jan. 3, 1918. To W. E. Bradford treas. receipt No. 220..... 526.16

Feb. 8, 1918. To W. E. Bradford treas. receipt No. 232..... 828.30

\$2436.57

Feb. 1, 1918. To balance..... \$2403.72

I. H. Bell, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the Second Class Fund:

Credit

By com. on amt received..... \$ 32.55

By amt to balance..... 2403.72

\$2436.57

I. H. Bell, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the Third Class Fund:

Credit

By amt paid out during quarter Ex. C..... \$1992.45

By 2 per cent com. on amt rec'd..... 255.15

By 2 per cent com. on amt pd out..... 39.85

By amount to balance..... 14757.98

\$17045.43

I. H. Bell, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the Third Class Fund:

Debit

Nov. 1, 1917. To balance..... \$4288.99

Dec. 1, 1917. To W. E. Bradford, treas. receipt No. 211..... 2208.69

Jan. 3, 1918. To W. E. Bradford treas. receipt No. 221..... 4033.92

Jan. 31, 1918. To R. E. Crowley treas. receipt No. 225..... 14.40

Jan. 31, 1918. To N. W. Ellis treas. receipt No. 228..... 150.00

Feb. 8, 1918. To W. E. Bradford treas. receipt No. 233..... 6350.33

\$17045.43

Feb. 1, 1918. To balance..... \$14757.98

I. H. Bell, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the Fourth Class Fund for the year 1918:

Nov. 1, 1917. To balance..... \$650.20

Feb. 1, 1918. To balance..... \$650.20

I. H. Bell, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the Fourth Class Fund for the year 1918:

Nov. 1, 1917. To balance..... \$650.20

I. H. Bell, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the Fifth Class Fund:

Debit

Dec. 1, 1917. To balance..... \$271.57

Dec. 1, 1917. To W. E. Bradford treas. receipt No. 206..... .71

Dec. 1, 1917. To W. E. Bradford treas. receipt No. 212..... 288.08

Jan. 2, 1918. To First National Bank, treas. receipt No. 216..... 1.07

Jan. 3, 1918. To W. E. Bradford treas. receipt No. 229..... 626.16

Jan. 31, 1917. To W. E. Bradford treas. receipt No. 228..... 1.85

Feb. 8, 1918. To W. E. Bradford

reas. receipt No. 234..... 828.30

\$1917.84

Feb. 1, 1918. To balance..... \$1884.92

I. H. Bell, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the Fifth Class Fund:

Credit

By 2 per cent commission on amt received..... \$ 32.92

By amount to balance..... 1884.92

\$1917.84

I. H. Bell, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the Sixth Class Fund:

Debit

Nov. 1, 1917. To balance..... \$965.78

Dec. 1, 1917. To First National Bank, treas. receipt No. 207..... .71

Dec. 1, 1917. To W. E. Bradford treas. receipt No. 213..... 96.03

Jan. 2, 1918. To First National Bank, treas. receipt No. 217..... 1.07

Jan. 3, 1918. To W. E. Bradford treas. receipt No. 223..... 175.38

Jan. 31, 1918. To First National Bank, treas. receipt No. 229..... 1.70

Feb. 8, 1918. To W. E. Bradford treas. receipt No. 235..... 276.40

\$1319.77

Feb. 1, 1918. To balance..... \$1505.75

I. H. Bell, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the Sixth Class Fund:

Credit

By 2 per cent commission on amt received..... \$ 11.92

By amount to balance..... 1505.75

\$1510.77

I. H. Bell, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the Seventh Class Fund:

Debit

Nov. 1, 1917. To balance..... \$ 463.86

Dec. 1, 1917. To First National Bank, treas. receipt No. 208..... 1.42

Dec. 1, 1917. To W. E. Bradford treas. receipt No. 214..... 480.13

Jan. 2, 1918. To First National Bank, treas. receipt No. 218..... 2.15

Jan. 3, 1918. To W. E. Bradford treas. receipt No. 224..... 876.94

Jan. 31, 1918. To First National Bank, treas. receipt No. 230..... 3.40

Feb. 8, 1918. To W. E. Bradford treas. receipt No. 236..... 1380.50

\$3208.40

Feb. 1, 1918. To balance..... \$3153.51

I. H. Bell, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the Seventh Class Fund:

Credit

By 2 per cent on amt rec'd..... \$ 54.89

By amt to balance..... 3153.51

\$3208.40

The State of Texas, County of Midland.

I do solemnly swear that the above and foregoing is a true and correct report for the quarter ending 31st day of January, A. D., 1918, as required by Article 824, 824b, 824c, and 825, Revised Statutes of 1905.

W. J. Sparks, County Clerk, Midland County, Texas.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, on this 12th day of February, A. D., 1918.

J. M. DeArmond, County Judge, Midland County, Tex.

THE LOYALTY OF AMERICAN LABOR

The resolutions passed on Washington's birthday by the American Alliance for Labor and Democracy have the patriotic ring.

With a preamble briefly stating the real issue of this war and reciting America's traditional stand for democracy and freedom, which tradition has always been upheld by American labor, the resolutions declare steadfast loyalty to America's enlightened cause and recognize that this great struggle is essentially labor's war.

American workingmen cannot discuss international or other questions with enemy nations so long as they remain autocratic, say the resolutions, and the alliance is one with the whole people of America in their purpose to exert every effort to bring about the final overthrow of autocracy and guard jealously our own democratic institutions at home.

The fact that this is labor's war is recognized by no element more clearly than it is by the American workingmen. They know that their opportunities lie in freedom and not in autocratic rule. The part that they play at this crisis in the world's affairs is of tremendous importance; that they recognize and acknowledge the situation is something the Nation is grateful for and proud of.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION

Notice is hereby given that the partnership lately subsisting between Jim Dublin, D. C. Coates and Jno. Price, county of Midland, Texas, under the firm name of Price Auto Company, was dissolved by mutual consent on the 25th day of February, A. D., 1918.

All debts owing to the said partnership are to be received by the said Jim Dublin and D. C. Coates and all demands and debts of the above named partnership of Price Auto Company are hereby assumed by the said Jim Dublin and D. C. Coates and are to be presented to them for payment.

This 25th day of February A. D., 1918.

Jno. W. Price
D. C. Coates,
Jim Dublin.

adv 21-4t.

Considerably over 40 per cent of all new cars being produced this year are Goodyear equipped. See Western Auto Supply Company. We have any size that you want. adv 21-4t

REMEDYING THE SCARCITY OF MEAT

Texas Food and Feed 1918 Campaign Has Suggestion That Ought to be Considered

The Reporter is interested in the following letter from the Texas Food and Feed Campaign, with headquarters at Austin:

Gentlemen:

"What means may be taken in your county to remedy the meat shortage, the most difficult task before us?"

"Of course any immediate improvement of the meat situation must come through intensified hog and poultry production; steps have already been taken along these lines by National and State workers, asking the farmers to increase their herds and flocks. But there is another method of increasing pork production on the one hand while utilizing a waste on the other that we ask you to consider carefully, and to help institute in your county, if the same is practicable. This is the feeding of garbage to hogs, either through the operation of a municipal piggery by such of your towns as have enough garbage to make it worth while, or through feeding by the surrounding farmers or a privately owned hog ranch near enough to utilize its food waste.

"It is calculated that the edible garbage-table-refuse consisting of meat scraps, peels, fruit remnants, spoiled food, etc.—now amounts to one-third of a pound per person per day, and it is not likely that further war economies will reduce this average much lower. This waste is perfectly good feed for hogs, and as far as possible it should be utilized. Each ton of garbage, which should be the daily output of a town of 6,000 population, will feed 100 to 150 hogs, depending on their size. The food waste from the army camps is utilized in this way—that from Camp McArthur at Waco maintaining more than 2,000 hogs, and from others corresponding numbers.

"We do not recommend the pigsty in the city home; it is bound to be more or less a nuisance. But there is no reason why a city should not lease or own a nearby farm, collect the edible garbage from its homes, feed it to hogs, and add by so much to the meat supply of the nation. Sanitary feeding, vaccination against cholera, rat and fly suppression, and good herd management are essential. Many cities in the United States have successfully operated such farms and are doing so now; others, like Denver, whose garbage fattens 5,000 hogs a year, sell their output to privately operated farms.

"The garbage from Texas cities of 2,500 population and over should take care of 50,000 hogs; if a large percentage of these were brood sows, they could stock many farms in the drouthy sections of the State, where live stock will be in demand as soon as normal conditions are re-established.

"We wish to go into this proposition with the proper persons in your county. We will thank you to advise us to whom we should write, and for your active assistance in creating a sentiment for it in your county."

Again The Reporter suggests that we are badly in need of a commercial organization. There are many matters of this kind that need attention, matters that individuals have neither the time nor disposition to look after.

WRIGLEYS

Keep WRIGLEY'S in mind as the longest-lasting confection you can buy. Send it to the boys at the front.

War Time Economy In Sweetmeats—

a 5-cent package of WRIGLEY'S will give you several days' enjoyment: it's an investment in benefit as well as pleasure, for it helps teeth, breath, appetite, digestion.

Chew It After Every Meal

The Flavor Lasts!

WRIGLEY'S SPEARMINT WRIGLEY'S DOUBLEMINT WRIGLEY'S JUICY FRUIT

HOW BEST TO PAY YOUR INCOME TAX

Pay your income tax, if possible, by check, money order, or draft. This is the urgent request of the Bureau of Internal Revenue.

More than 6,000,000 persons this year will pay an income tax. The total to be collected under the war revenue act of October 3rd, 1917, in individual income taxes alone is \$666,000,000. The vast majority of these payments will be small amounts. If paid as requested it will avoid the necessity for the issuance of a receipt, and save much time and labor.

Taxes paid to deputies who are visiting every county in the United States to assist taxpayers in making out their returns are sent to the collector of internal revenue of the district in which the taxes are collected. Checks, money orders, or drafts can be handled without difficulty. Cash has to be sent by registered mail or by insured express.

In the conduct of the war Uncle Sara is beset with many difficulties. You can render one of his innumerable tasks less difficult by paying your income tax promptly, and by check, money order or draft.

Try This For Sour Stomach

Eat slowly, masticate your food thoroughly. Eat but little meat and none at all for supper. If you are still troubled with sour stomach take one of Chamberlain's Tablets before going to bed. Sold by C. A. Taylor & Son, adv 1mt

INSTRUCTIONS FOR HOME GARDENING

"Home Gardening in the South," a new bulletin just issued by the United States Department of Agriculture for free distribution, takes account of the special crop conditions of the Southern States and discusses them in a manner designed to help in the utilization for home gardening of land that heretofore has not been productive of human food.

Because of the great necessity for increasing the nation's food supplies this year, the home gardening movement is expected to be of much greater scope even than the campaign of last year.

The bulletin for the South treats, among other topics, the following:

Location of the garden, plan and arrangement of the garden, importance of sunlight, succession and rotation of crops, methods of growing early plants, tools for the garden, seeds for the garden, preparation of the soil and improving its texture, cultivation and irrigation of garden crops, storage of vegetables for the garden. Cultural suggestions are given for all the common vegetables.

Goodyear now equip more new cars than any other make combined. Western Auto Supply Company carry a full line. adv 20-tf

FOR SALE OR WILL TRADE

for well located farm or ranch land, my electric light plant and cotton gin, town 2500; plant is in first class condition; ginned 2500 bales cotton in 1917; made better than 25 per cent net earnings on value of property.

This is Fine Business Proposition

Willett Wilson

Port Lavaca, Texas

To Our Customers

ON NEXT MONDAY, the 18th, we will sell strictly for cash only. We will not hold tickets for anybody. Please bring the money with you or have the money at the house. We can sell for cash cheaper and that is what the people want. People this is war and drouth times and you must make your money go as far as possible and to do that is to pay cash for everything you buy. So let us all pull together.

It is the Best for All

Smith Bros. The Cash and Carry Store

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FRIDAY, MARCH 15, 1918

Announcements

All candidates announcing in this column, do so subject to the action of the Democratic primary on July 27th...

For Judge of 70th Judicial District: CHAS GIBBS

For Attorney, 70th Judicial District: TOM T. GARRARD, Jr. BEN PALMER

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

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

For County Treasurer: I. H. BELL

For Tax Assessor: JOHN CROSSETT W. G. PEMBERTON

ANDREWS COUNTY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Candidates in Andrews County who announce this week in this column do so subject to the action of the Democratic primary, July 27th, 1918...

For County and District Clerk: MRS. DORA DOUGLAS R. M. MEANS

THOUSANDS APPLYING FOR FEDERAL JOBS

That American men and women are eager to accept every opportunity to help in the nation's greatest undertaking is evidenced by the responses received to the announcement of the United States Civil Service Commission...

The most pressing need of the government service in Washington right now is for a large number of well qualified stenographers. The Civil Service Commission urges persons who are equipped to pass the stenography part of the examination to apply at once.

Ladies' Auxiliary

Following is the program of the Ladies' Auxiliary which will be held in the Baptist church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock:

Theme, "Mobilizing the South for Christ"

Scripture, Mark 10:35-45—Mrs. I. C. Bell.

Announcements.

Offertory—Miss Luther.

Prayer for the South's deep penitence through the world war—Mrs. Reeves Barron.

Special music.

Sunday morning subject, "Mobilizing the South for Christ"—Mrs. J. E. Nelson, president.

Prayer for Heavenly wisdom and wide vision for the field forces—Mrs. W. A. Holloway.

The local work—Miss Edna Harris.

Special music.

Round table discussion:

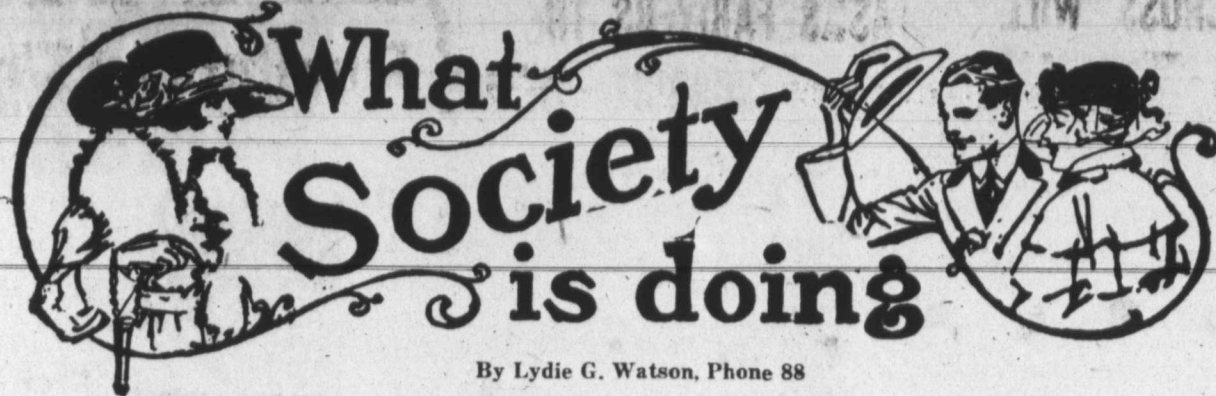
1. Mrs. B. A. Wall.

2. Mrs. E. T. McCarter.

3. Miss Susie Brunson.

Prayer for unshaken faith and unswerving purpose in home missions—Mrs. Hobbs.

Hymn, "America"—Congregation.



What Society is doing

By Lydie G. Watson, Phone 88

Red Cross Has New Home

The Midland Red Cross chapter moved last week and are now pleasantly domiciled in the Garrett & Brown building, recently occupied by the Midland Variety Store.

Following is the report as handed

in to us:

Baptist Auxiliary, Tuesday, March 12th: 6 suits pajamas cut; 2 suits pajamas made; 50 towels made; 101 towels cut; 4 wash rags made; 13 pillow ticks made; 17 pillow ticks cut; 86 button holes made; 86 buttons sewed on.

Wednesday, 99 Club: 51 towels; 2 pair pillow cases; 3 suits pajamas.

Thursday, Methodist ladies: 7 suits cut; 2 suits pajamas; 9 pillow cases; 2 pillow ticks; 2 quilt tops turned in pieced by Mrs. Byers.

Miss Thelma White left Monday for a visit to Dallas

Derdeyn—The following dainty little announcement will be of interest to many Midland friends:

March 3rd, 1918. We send this tiny card to say that on this given month and day to us a little stranger came And here below you'll see the name.

Blanche Sylvia Derdeyn. We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Derdeyn upon this tiny bit of pink and white femininity who has come to bless their home, and who will make such a charming play-fellow for little Maurice, Jr.

The French term "camouflage," has become part of our daily speech. To

Miss Irene Crowley and Miss Florence Haney are expected home today from Midland, where they have been visiting Miss Crowley's sister, Mrs. E. Callaway. They attended house parties during their stay on the Jim Williams and Ross ranches.

Mrs. Werchler, who has been the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Henry M. Half this winter, left last Sunday for San Antonio, to visit her sister for a time before returning to her home in New York. Mrs. Werchler was accompanied as far as Dallas by Mrs. Half.

the people who are using this word without knowing what it means a good definition is the woman who is constantly seen with a knitting bag who does not know how to knit; she is "camouflaging."

Mr. and Mrs. Will Elkin left the early part of the week for Ft. Worth to attend the fat stock show and to visit their daughter, Miss Lula, who is a student of T. C. U.

Mrs. Jno. M. Cowden and daughter, Mrs. Rube Evans, left the early part

of the week for Hot Springs, Ark. They will be joined there by Mr. Carpenter and mother, of New Berlin, Ill.

Mrs. F. E. Rankin will leave tomorrow for El Paso and from there she will go on to Deming, N. M., to visit her son, Mr. Porter Rankin and family.

Many Midland friends will be interested to learn that Mrs. George D. Elliott, of Tucson, Ariz., who has been critically ill, is now convalescing.

The Epworth League will observe St. Patrick's Day tonight with an Irish social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Phil Scharbauer.

Messrs Merle Jowell, Roll Cowden, and Guy Cowden are in Fort Worth this week attending the stock show.

Mrs. Julia Adams, of Wadley-Patterson's, spent last week in Seminole, the guest of Mrs. Jim Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. George Gray were guests at the Llano last week, returning to the ranch Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cowden are in from their ranch for a few days' visit.

NEWS FROM ANDREWS

By Mrs. "X"

Will Gates was in from his ranch west of town Monday.

Burl Holloway is out on his ranch spending a few days.

The Andrews Telephone Company has closed a deal for the Shafter Lake Telephone Company for the local exchange there and the lines west. This gives the Andrews Company control of four exchanges, Andrews, Fasken, Florey and Shafter Lake and all the lines in the county except the high lines of the Seminole Telephone Company.

W. V. Gates went to Midland today.

Hunter Irwin, Gen. Gates, I. H. Bryant and Mr. Jones passed through Andrews enroute to Midland Tuesday.

John Castleberry, of Florey, was here last Saturday.

R. M. Means and C. W. Hart were in Stanton Tuesday on business.

The exemption board was in session last Friday and a number of registrants were sent to Abilene for examination.

The Embroidery Club held its regular meeting at the residence of Mrs. Dave Thomason. Quite a number of ladies were present and all spent a very delightful afternoon. Dainty refreshments were served and the Club adjourned to meet with Mrs. C. W. Hart on Thursday the 14th.

Mrs. Hunter Irwin and Miss Stamey, of Shafter Lake, visited Andrews Saturday.

In Andrews and in the surrounding vicinity a light rain fell Sunday. With the grass already started it is expected that this rain will do considerable good in helping it to grow.

D. Fasken, of Midland, was here on business last week.

Quite a lot of sickness in our community during the past week. Several cases of pneumonia and bad colds and an epidemic of measles.

Henry Vaden, of the Holloway ranch, is in town for a few days' visit to his family.

R. M. King brought in a wagon load of brooms Saturday. These are being shipped to various parts of the United States by John M. Speed & Son.

Girl Scouts

Each girl scout will please invite a friend to meet with us Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock, in the Odd Fellows hall. All please bring very sharp scissors as we wish to finish the work we are doing for the Red Cross. There was only six of the troop absent the first Saturday, but let's all be present at this meeting.

Ethel Moore, Captain.

Pure Fresh Milk and Dairy Products. Delivered to any part of the city twice each day. Your patronage appreciated. Phone 394. L. B. TANKERSLEY

ANNOUNCEMENT BY The Ladies' Store

EASTER the Day when Dame Fashion Reigns is Sunday, March 31. We Are Showing New Hats, New Dresses, New Blouses, New Skirts, New Petticoats. Come and See the many charming and exquisite things we are showing. Every garment is made up in the very latest style and you will be delighted when you see them. If there's anything you are needing--come here first, we know we can please you. Miss Maggie McCormick

Friday, March 15, 1918 CLASS ADVERTISING

Rates, five cent per line per week. No ad less than 25 cents. Cash in advance. Count with this paper.

FOR SALE—MIDLAND WOOD—See W. J. Hobbs for wood.

FURNISH ROOMS—For light bath, electric light, only 1-2 blocks on Wall Street. 224.

ROOMS—For light, electric, or unfurnished, telephone, or 424.

BUSINESS Cold weather crank your head. Coleman & Allen a special machine magnetos, and it's out you having to tor.

AUTO FOR SALE—F good condition. Walker-Smith Co.

POULTRY EGGS—Full blood for sale. \$1 per dozen. Elberger, phone 424.

WANTED—To rent. See or phone The Reporter office.

TO LEASE—Twenty-five acres, being sec A50, and 1, in County, Texas, Burne, Texas.

MISCELLANEOUS WORK WANTED will do any work home. Phone 394.

WANTED—Cover not less than 1 day Mrs. V. R.

HEARD How Bad Back Strong—Kie

All over Midland Doan's Kidney Pills the good work telling about it made sound as the testimony of p.e. They tell who are suffering if you feel lame if the kidneys passages are p color, use Doan's remedy that is your friend. This Midland give Doan's a for you.

W. A. Little, in St. says: Doan's Kidney Pills are the best of have used them time for weak troubles. They relieve me and led in that way City Drug Store.

Price 60c at any drug store. Ask for a Doan's Kidney Pills. Mr. Little had Mfrs., Buffalo.

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that are one bred for con production; of non-setters, e producers of l can't beat the you will have are birds from United States

Eggs \$2.50

Now is the time. Let me my grand assistance free.

B. P. Chi

Member Int'l Blac

Phones 7 and MID

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

Rates, five cents per line each insertion. No ad accepted for less than 25 cents. Cash in advance is required of those not having a regular account with this paper.

FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS

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

FURNISHED ROOMS

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

ROOMS—For light housekeeping, furnished or unfurnished. Electric lights, telephone, bath, etc. Phone 7 or 424. 21-1f

BUSINESS NOTICES

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

AUTOMOBILES

FOR SALE—Five-passenger Ford in good condition. See H. J. Cobb at Walker-Smith Co. 20-1f

POULTRY AND EGGS

EGGS—Full blood Barred Rock eggs for sale. \$1 per setting. Mrs. Eichelberger, phone No. 361. 23-1f

WANTED—To buy a few setting hens. See or phone B. P. Harrison at The Reporter office. 21-1f

TO LEASE

TO LEASE—Three sections of land about twenty-five miles west of Andrews, being section 8 and 11, in block A50, and 1, in block A51, Andrews County, Texas. Ira C. Morgan, Cleburne, Texas. 20-4f

MISCELLANEOUS WANTS

WORK WANTED—By young lady; will do any work about a private home. Phone 383.

WANTED—Cow for her feed, giving not less than two gallons milk per day. Mrs. V. R. Dockray, phone 450.

HEARD IN MIDLAND

How Bad Backs Have Been Made Strong—Kidney Pills Corrected

All over Midland you hear it. Doan's Kidney Pills are keeping up the good work. Midland people are telling about it—telling of bad backs made sound again. You can believe the testimony of your own townspeople. They tell it for the benefit of you who are suffering. If your back aches, if you feel lame, sore and miserable, if the kidneys act too frequently, or passages are painful, scanty and off color, use Doan's Kidney Pills, the remedy that has helped so many of your friends and neighbors. Follow this Midland citizen's advice and give Doan's a chance to do the same for you.

W. A. Little, rural mail carrier, Lorain St., says: "I wouldn't be without Doan's Kidney Pills for I think they are the best of kidney medicines. I have used them off and on for a long time for weak back and other kidney troubles. They have never failed to relieve me and anyone who is troubled in that way should get some at the City Drug Store." Price 60c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Little had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfgs., Buffalo, N. Y. adv 22-2f

Set a Hen or, better still—

Set TWO Hens

at the same time and give both broods to one—thus reducing the labor and expense of rearing the young chicks. And while you are at it, might as well get eggs from pure-bred general purpose stock, such as the

Single Comb Black Minorcas

that are unexcelled by any other breed for combination meat and egg production; quick maturing, thrifty, non-setters, early and most prolific producers of large, white eggs. You can't beat them. Once you try them you will have no other. In my pens are birds from the best strains in the United States.

Eggs \$2, \$3 and \$5 for 15

Now is the ideal time for setting hens. Let me supply you from one of my grand matings. Advice and assistance free

B. P. HARRISON Chicken Crank

Member International Single Comb Black Minorca Club
Phones 7 and 424 Box 191
MIDLAND, TEXAS

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

J. W. Shipman was here Tuesday on business and ordered The Reporter.

G. W. Dunn, of Colorado City was a business visitor in Midland this week.

O. B. Holt and son, O. B., Jr., are attending the fat stock show at Fort Worth.

Phil Scharbauer left Tuesday afternoon for Fort Worth to attend the fat stock show.

L. D. Jones, who lives near Shafter Lake, was here this week and ordered The Reporter.

Chas. Dublin and wife came in the first of the week from their ranch in Gaines County.

K. Johnston left Tuesday for the George Leach ranch to re-set several miles of wire fence.

J. E. Fowler, of Stillwater, Okla., was here for a short time this week, enroute to Phoenix, Ariz.

George Gates, candidate for tax assessor of Andrews County, was in town Tuesday on business.

Chas. Witcher, of Gaines County, was here the first of the week and reports stock doing fairly well.

C. P. Benedict is sporting a brand new Buick car, purchased his week from the Coyle-Cordill Motor Co.

The work on our Main street was practically finished this week and it puts on a better appearance.

J. H. Irwin, cowman from Shafter Lake came down Tuesday. He reports range conditions fair and no losses.

Sergeant W. C. Chapman, stationed at Camp Jackson, S. C., is visiting Lige Davis and family for a few days.

W. J. Bludworth, cowman from Flatonia, returned home Thursday evening, after a visit to his brothers here.

A. J. Tuckness and family from New Mexico, are among the recent arrivals in Midland. They have located here.

Tobe Crawford came in from the "M-bar" ranch the first of the week. He reports no losses and stock doing very well.

Mrs. Walter Jerden left Thursday for Tyler, where she will take a business course in the commercial college at that place.

R. Webb, who was here this week from the Clayton ranch, 30 miles northwest, brings a good report of stock conditions.

J. Atkins, a tailor of Big Spring, was in Midland Tuesday calling on the trade. He reports a very satisfactory business here.

Dr. Hall, ranchman from the south county line, came up Tuesday on business. He reports stock doing fairly well in his vicinity.

W. W. Hause came in Thursday from the Girdley & Nobles ranch, 40 miles northwest and gives a very good report of conditions.

W. H. Rohlfing and family left on Thursday for Arizona, where they will in the future reside. They left in their car going across the country.

Atho Engel and wife are here from Ocho, N. M. Mr. Engle is suffering from a serious injury to his arm, which was caught in machinery recently.

K. R. Perdue, who is in the training camp at Deming, N. M., is here for a few days visiting Dick Loving. He says there are about 35,000 soldiers in the camp at this time.

W. W. Wimberly, local agent for the Pierce-Fordyce Oil Association, returned this week from San Angelo, where he attended a convention of the company's salesmen.

Wallace O'Neal was in a few days this week from the J. D. Clewis ranch near Florey, where he has been for the past seven months. Reports cattle coming through the winter in very good shape.

C. F. Blackwell and wife are now located on the Scharbauer Bros. ranch, six miles north of town, known as the Curtis ranch, where Mr. Blackwell has accepted a position as manager. He ordered The Reporter.

RED CROSS WILL GET THIS MAN'S EXCESS PROFITS

FOOD ADMINISTRATION HAS A WAY TO PUNISH HOGGISH DEALERS AND HELP CHARITY ALONG, TOO.

The Red Cross has been made the beneficiary of the Federal Food Administration of Texas in the amount of certain excess profits, which accrued to a certain retail dealer in a very prosperous community of East Texas. When the dealer prepared his statement of profits and forwarded them to Washington, he was apprehensive that the 72 per cent and 75 per cent and 82 per cent shown in the instance of certain commodities might be regarded as "stepping a bit high," but he felt it were better to "out with the facts," and with this in mind so sent in his report.

A week after he mailed his report, he received a letter from Washington, which was noticeable for its crispness and succinctness. The letter was not long. It was not in the least involved. It simply commented upon the splendid business the dealer had been successful in securing and then intimated that perhaps the very points raised in the letter should be of immediate concern to the Federal Food Administration.

Friday night the business man traveled to Houston. Early Saturday morning he appeared in the department of groceries of the Food Administration and waited very patiently until his time came for an audience. He admitted his transgression, said he had not meant to be in the wrong, that the things just happened.

Convinced that the dealer was sorry and acting upon the recommendation of Washington that where grocers show a desire to "do the right thing," they are to have the chance, the administration informed the dealer that he might settle the whole matter by making out a check for the excess profits and give to the Red Cross, and that upon showing proof that he had so made amends for excessive profits, he would be restored to good standing.

The dealer, gratified at the decision, promised that he would straighten out the matter at once, took his departure for the piney woods and in a few days some Red Cross chapter will be the richer for a certain appreciable check on excess profits.

FOOD MEN TAKE RISING PLEDGE TO DO THEIR DUTY

A pledge to be faithful and just in the performance of their duties was taken at the conclusion of a two days' meeting in Houston of district administrators for the Food Administration of Texas. The occasion was a luncheon given at the Rice Hotel, the Rice management being the host, and the district administrators rose to their feet to give their pledge to their chief, E. A. Peden of Houston.

In their concluding session the administrators were addressed by L. M. Hewitt, administrator of the Navasota district; B. F. Johnson, administrator of the Wichita Falls district and director of the campaign of production under state auspices; J. B. Carrington, administrator of the San Antonio district, and Sam H. Dixon, of the forage and truck department. The need of recruiting sufficient labor was discussed.

"Do not be discouraged upon the issue of labor," said Mr. Peden. "If there is not enough labor to harvest all the crops that are planted we will turn the people of the cities into the fields and give of service until the harvest is performed."

Mr. Johnson suggested then that city men in taking their vacations should plan to go to farms where they could work and help the nation in securing an increased production and replace the labor now drawn into the army.

PEDEN SUGGESTS BUTCHERS CLOSE

STATE FOOD ADMINISTRATOR ADVOCATES LOCK AND KEY FOR TUESDAYS.

Administrator Peden is being daily advised of meetings of butchers and meat market proprietors in various Texas cities on the issue of closing their markets on Tuesday, which is meatless day; and to so conduct their business as to sell no pork on Saturday, which is porkless day. The butchers of San Antonio have agreed to close their shops on Tuesday; while Galveston has the matter under consideration, as is also the case in Dallas and Fort Worth.

Mr. Peden thinks that the question of closing meat markets on Tuesdays should be a volunteer measure on the part of a community, and that if the majority of the guild are in favor of closing, the minority should abide by the decision.

ASKS FARMERS TO PRODUCE LIVING

Impossible to Transport Commodities to All Parts of Country During Present Year

Clarence Ousley, assistant secretary of the United States department of agriculture, in a communication received at the University of Missouri College of Agriculture recently, asks every farmer to provide his own food and feed. This is one of the greatest services which the farmer can perform and is one of the defense measures which Washington authorities are urging for 1918. The railroads have all the business that they can handle, consequently, if they are forced to haul food and feed to those sections which can grow them, an unnecessary burden will be placed upon the crippled transportation systems of this country.

In addressing the people of the South upon the necessity for home production Mr. Ousley says:

"Secretary McAdoo has given warning that transportation may be lacking in 1918 to haul food and feed to states and communities that do not provide for themselves. Many cattle have been sacrificed in the drought regions of the Northwest and the South, west during the last few months because railroad cars could not be obtained as needed. Military movements must have first consideration, and military movements will be greater in 1918 than in 1917. The prime question for the farmer is not what product will bring the highest price, but what products will insure food for his family and feed for his livestock, and the answer is: a vegetable garden, a milk cow, a brood sow, a poultry flock, ample corn, oats, peanuts, etc.—then as much cotton or tobacco as he can cultivate well."

This suggestion applies to the people of the North as well as to those of the South with respect to producing as many as possible of the foods that will be consumed at home.

Mrs. W. L. Clark left the first of the week for Menard in response to a message that her daughter, Miss Ruby, was seriously ill, a sufferer of inflammatory rheumatism.

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OUR MARKET REPORT FROM KANSAS CITY

Kansas City Stock Yards, March 11.—Another liberal run of cattle, hogs and sheep; at Kansas City 16,000 cattle, 14,000 hogs and 10,000 sheep, a gain of 5,000 hogs over last Monday. Western pulp fed cattle from Colorado and northwest predominated, upwards 200 cars, heaviest this season. Weakness prevailed all around; cattle steady to 10c lower; hogs, 15 to 35c off and sheep slow and steady. Train service is improving, nearly everything in before noon.

Beef Cattle
Fat steer supply increased over last Monday, mostly westerns and rangers. Trade slow at merely steady to 10c lower, closed weak. Prime natives, scarce, top \$13. Colorado pulpers mostly \$11.50 to \$12.75; Idahos, \$10 to \$12.55; plain Arizonas stockers \$8.50, cows \$7.40. Butcher classes steady. Colorado and Idaho cows and heifers \$9.35 to \$9.75. Native mixed yearlings up to \$10.40. Bulls and stags mostly steady. Iowa stags \$10.85. Calves, slow and unchanged.

Stockers and Feeders

Thin cattle not plentiful as on last Monday with early trade irregular. Fleshy feeders favored, mostly steady, selling from \$11.00 to \$12.40. Colorado feeders \$12.20; stockers \$10.25 to \$11.35. Stockers, slow to 15c lower, best \$10.50 to \$11.40. Stock cows, heifers and breeders, about steady, mostly ranging from \$8.00 to \$8.75.

Hogs

An increase of 25,000 hogs at western markets, 5,000 more at Kansas City than last Monday, had a depressing influence here. Trade opened slow at 15 to 25c lower and closed dull at 25 to 35c off. Top was \$17.50 to \$61.60 bulk, last Monday. Quality fairly good, mostly medium weights. Pigs ruled unevenly lower.

Sheep and Lambs

Liberal local receipts around 10,000; over 54,000 at western markets, an increase of 3,000 over last Monday. Trade opened slow, but prices averaged steady. Fat sheep scarce, goats scarce. Fat lambs \$17.25, western breeding ewes up to \$17.50. Feeding and breeding stock in strong request.

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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WHY WE'RE AT WAR FIGHTING GERMANY

And Why the War Will Never End Until the Object of It Has Been Attained

The following, which is worth any one's time to read, was handed to us recently by our townsman, Lee Bradshaw, and was taken by him from the Gulf Coast Lumberman:

Why We're Fighting!

This is no time to talk of peace. If there were any possible avenue that Germany could follow to terminate this war today, then this war was never a righteous one, and we had no right to lose a single man.

If there is anything under God's sun that Germany could do today to avert the vengeance that the outraged citizens of a horrified world are preparing to wreak upon her blood-be-spattered head—then we should never have gone to war in the first place.

If there is any paper or series of papers that Germany could sign that would cause the powers of righteousness to lay down the arms that they have been raising against her—then our words have been empty ones, and we lack manhood that we have been proclaiming as our own.

Heaven forbid that a peace pact be ever written until the Power of the Beast shall have been made to suffer as it deserves to suffer, for the countless, endless, nameless horrors that it has turned loose upon a peace loving world.

Shame upon us and upon every right thinking nation, if we should lay down our arms until the thousands and tens of thousands of women and girls of France and Belgium have been avenged for the torture, the outrage, and the black death that the German beasts have visited upon their innocent heads.

Shall any possible peace pact save these whoesalers in rape, torture and murder?

Shall the torture of countless little defenseless children—the brutal murder of countless thousands—be atoned for by the signing of a peace treaty?

As God lives—we hope not!

Shame upon our civilization and our manhood if we lay down arms until the Army of the Beast has been torn asunder; until it has been broken and hurled back in fragments upon its native soil; until Germany has suffered just as Belgium and France have suffered, with enough additional to atone for the weight of infamy that rests upon her.

It is all right to say that we are fighting to save Democracy, but there isn't a man in that great khaki-clad army that we now have in France who is considering that viewpoint. THEY are fighting because each man is mad clear down in his bowels at everything that Germany means. Each man has learned at close range the inhuman, nameless barbarities which the German beasts are perpetrating every day upon those who fall within their hands and every American soldier in France today has just one burning desire, and that is to KILL GERMANS.

The primitive desire of the cannibal to make the beast pay for his bestiality is the righteous feeling that pervades the army of the United States, just as it has long pervaded the army of the Canadians. Those Canadians, who found their comrades crucified; who found others namelessly mutilated on the field of battle; who have learned that torture and horror are the only signs by which German warfare is known; who have seen Red Cross nurses shot down by machine guns fired at close range from German aeroplanes by men who had already set the hospitals on fire with bombs, and then dropped down close to shoot the nurses as they worked to rescue their wounded patients; what would THOSE men think of making peace with the Germans?

History will tell no such tale. Nothing that can be visited upon the Germans will fully repay them for the horrors that they have wrought, but they must be made to pay so far as it is possible for them to pay. Because the Allied armies are civilized, the nameless barbarities of the Germans will not be returned, but their lines must be broken, their armies torn apart, their home-land invaded and their cities infested. The coin which they themselves have forged must be returned to them—with accrued and merited INTEREST!

The recent attitude of the Germans can be answered only with the demolition of the Hindenberg Line. We know enough of human nature to know that this war cannot, must not—end with a peace pact. It must end with the crushing of the power—for all time to come—that brought this untold misery upon the world. No other end would suffice. Any other termination would be dishonor to the millions who have

already fallen in this battle against the Beast.

Let the whole world echo these words of Abraham Lincoln: "WE ACCEPTED THIS WAR FOR A WORTHY OBJECT, AND THE WAR WILL END WHEN THAT OBJECT IS ATTAINED. UNDER GOD, I HOPE IT WILL NOT END UNTIL THAT TIME!"

HEARD FROM SOLDIER BOY IN FRANCE

Last fall, about Nov. 15th, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Elkin sent some Christmas boxes of candy to some soldier boys "Somewhere in France," and a letter has been received from one of them acknowledging receipt and also thanking them for the candy. This young man is a Bell County boy and his sister is a school mate of Mr. and Mrs. Elkin's daughter, Miss Lulla, in T. C. U., Fort Worth. The letter is as follows:

France, Jan. 12, 1918.
Dear Mr. and Mrs. Elkin: I received the delicious box of chocolates on the first day of January, just before I started on a trip that kept me out in the snow and rain for eight days. I carried it along with me and every time I ate one of them I thought of how nice it must be down in Texas, now.

France is very beautiful, but it is much colder in this particular part I am in than it is in Central Texas. The people treat us very nice and it is good that they do because we are billeted in their homes and they could make it very unpleasant for us if they would. Many of their customs and their manner of living seem very quaint to us. They do not have farm houses in the country as we do but all of one community live in a small town. This causes the small towns to be quite close together. Some of them are only one-half mile apart. They have their houses and barns all together with just a wide hall-way separating the living rooms from the tables. In the smaller towns they are very unsanitary, but we are teaching them a few things.

We have been to the front since being over here and are very anxious for the time to come when we will get another WHACK at the "Boches."

Our battery seemed to be in particular high spirits tonight, and I noticed quite an outburst of whistling and singing as we lined up for supper.

I want to let you know that I truly appreciated the chocolates. Sweets of all kinds are very dear over here and anyway they are not as good as those from home.

Sincerely yours,
Sgt. Michael C. Elliott,
O. K. D. M. Weston, 2nd Lieut.

Notice
Estate of Calvin Meyers, deceased—in the County Court of Midland County, Texas. The State of Texas: To the Sheriff or Constable of Midland County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon Lou A. Meyers, executrix of the estate of Calvin Meyers, deceased, by making publication of this citation five days previous to the return day hereof in some newspaper of general circulation which has been published continuously and regularly for a period of not less than one year in your county, to appear before the county judge of Midland County, Texas, at the court house of said county in Midland on the 22nd day of March, A. D., 1918, then and there to answer the petition of N. W. Ellis and R. D. Healy, filed in said cause on the 9th day of March, A. D., 1918; wherein, they ask, as sureties on the bond of said executrix, to be released on said bond, and to show cause why she should not give a new bond as executrix of said estate.

Witness my hand and official seal this 9th day of March, A. D., 1918.
W. J. Sparks,
Clerk County Court, Midland County, Texas. adv 23-2c

Forgot What He Needed

From the Republican, Mt. Gilead, Ohio: The editor had an interesting experience some time ago, when a young gentleman came to this office and asked for a copy of the Morrow County Republican. He scrutinized it carefully when a copy was handed him, and then said: "Now I know!" "What is it you are looking for," we inquired. "My wife sent me after a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and I forgot the name. I went to several stores and the clerks named over everything in the line on the shelf except Chamberlain's. I'll try again, and I'll never go home without Chamberlain's Cough Remedy." The Republican would suggest to the proprietors of stores, that they post their clerks, and never let them substitute. Customers lose faith in stores where substituting is permitted, to say nothing of the injustice to makers of good goods and the disappointment of customers. Sold by C. A. Taylor & Son. adv 1 mt.

Order early and get choice flowers for Easter gifts and decorations. Elma B. Graves, Midland Texas. adv

NEWS FROM BOYS AT CAMP TRAVIS

Major-General Allen Has Returned to Camp Travis From a Visit to Allied Front in France

These letters from Camp Travis, besides being of general interest are often given local color by reference to home boys. This week three well known Midland boys are mentioned at the close of the letter.

That the American soldier will get the chance to fight out his quarrel with the Hun in the open and above ground, is the belief of Major-General Henry T. Allen, commander of the 19th division. Major-General Allen has just returned to Camp Travis from an extended visit to the allied front in France and bases his hope on what he saw there.

"There will be open warfare," he says, "it won't always be trench fighting. We are learning and will learn something besides to hide in trenches and throw grenades."

Something of the discipline of the individual soldier of the allied armies is shown by an incident which came under his notice while in France. It was merely a story of a teamster whom the General saw shaving himself while his team was being driven by a fellow soldier, but the General makes it the basis of a lesson to the American national army men in neatness and "smartness," particularly so, as the incident occurred just back of the firing line. "The soldier was standing on the rear of his wagon shaving himself. He had tied his mirror to a wagon post. It is just an example of the cleanliness and care which the men exercise at the fighting front."

Simultaneously with the return of the Division Commander, comes from the report of the Inspector General of the War Department, Major-General John F. Morrison, the statement that the 19th division is farther advanced in training than any other national army division. It will be remembered that General Morrison made an inspection of Camp Travis recently, in the course of which he looked into the equipment, instruction and discipline of the men of the camp quite thoroughly.

Several thousand new men from all parts of Texas and Oklahoma have arrived in Camp Travis and are now undergoing the course of being entered upon the insurance, allotment, service record, clothing slip, qualification and designation blanks, not to mention a dozen and one others that cover the asset and liability relations between the army and the soldier.

Officers who have any dealings whatever with the new arrivals are enthusiastic in their comment. "The finest bunch of men I ever saw go in to the service," was the way one Captain put it; he himself has been in the army nineteen years.

The men are in the best of spirits and appear to be surprised to find hot and cold shower baths, well ventilated wooden barracks, tarviated streets, electric lights, and appetizing food at every meal. One company had accumulated, before the coming of the new men, a large mess fund, owing to the profits obtained from the canteen and the company barber shop. Accordingly the "rookies," as their seniors in service by four months insist on calling them, are fed grape fruit for breakfast and the like, with plenty of solid food on the side.

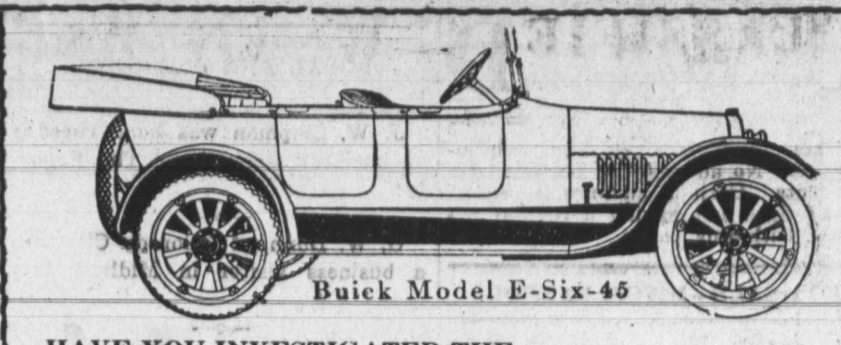
As a precaution against epidemic outbreaks of disease, the newcomers are kept in quarantine for a few days under the observation of the medical corps, but this does not interfere with their learning. All men with previous military experience are set to teaching their fellows the simpler movement of drill, such as right face, about face, etc., and both teachers and pupils take to the business with enthusiasm. As a result, the men line up and execute the commands at retreat each evening with the snap and precision almost of regulars, although the majority of them knew nothing of army life when they came a few days ago.

Will some friend of Sergeant Lawrence Bowles ask him what he means, "Widen Out!"

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"One of the leading factors in the success of these gardens, which can be made to produce something throughout the year, is an adequate supply of water to supplement the ordinary rainfall that may be expected. If your company, therefore, can make a special rate for water to be used in keeping these gardens productive, you will not only be encouraging a movement that is worthy of every assistance, but you will also be rendering a patriotic service to the country and helping in a very material way to bring success to America's cause."

NOTICE OF ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Midland, held on the 2nd day of March, 1918, an election was ordered, to be held on the first Tuesday in April, the same being the 2nd

day of April, 1918, for the purpose of electing the following officers of the City of Midland, for a term of two years.

To-wit: Two Aldermen.
Said election will be held at the county court house, in the City of Midland, Texas.
Witness my official signature this, the 2nd day of March, 1918.
H. A. Leaverton,
Mayor City of Midland.
Attest: Newnie W. Ellis,
Sec'y City of Midland. adv 22-4t

Notice to Creditors

In the United States District Court for the Western District of Texas, in the matter of Walter Henry Rohlfing, bankrupt, No. 25 in Bankruptcy.

The creditors of said Walter Henry Rohlfing are hereby notified that he has filed a petition for a certificate of discharge in bankruptcy, and the same, under an order of said court, will be heard before Ben Palmer, referee, at his office in Pecos, Texas, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, on the 23rd day of April, A. D., 1918, at which time and place the creditors of said bankrupt, may appear and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted.

D. H. Hart, Clerk,
By J. F. Caroline, Deputy.
Dated March 11th, 1918.

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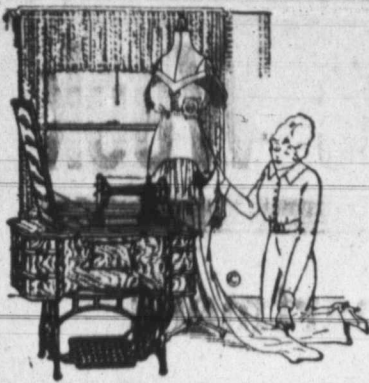
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Weekly War News Digest

Stories of Activities and Conditions Throughout the United States and on the Battle Fronts, from Washington, D. C.

Sugar Supply Assured for Manufacturers of Food Products

Manufacturers of essential food products have been advised by the Food Administration that they will be able to obtain their full necessary requirements of sugar for manufacturing purposes during the coming year.

This applies particularly to packers of fruit, condensed milk, such vegetables for the preservation of which sugar may be necessary, as well as to the housewives, for usage in preserving purposes. As soon as the car shortage is relieved, according to the Food Administration statement, supplies of sugar will be available for these purposes. Shipments from Cuba are steadily increasing.

All canners have been advised to hold for war purposes such quantities of canned corn, peas, tomatoes, string beans, and salmon as they may have on hand. Such quantities as are not wanted will be released within a few days after receipt of reports showing stocks on hand, which must be submitted to the Food Administration before March 15th.

Each Battle Plane Needs Extra Equipment and Staff of Skilled Men

After three years of warfare the total number of airplanes able to take the air at any one time on either side of the western front has not been over 2,500. Each plane in the air requires a force of 46 men, two replacement planes on the ground, and one training plane for every pilot who eventually reaches the front, with an extra engine for each plane.

The life of a plane is not more than two months, and the engine must be overhauled after each 75 hours. Now that American battle planes are going over seas, the great problem is to secure the thousands of skilled mechanics, enginemen, motor repair men, wood and metal workers needed to keep the planes in perfect condition. This engineering and mechanical force at the airdomes, the flying fields, and repair depots, both here and behind the lines in France, is a vital industrial link in the chain to air supremacy.

Use of Soldiers as Guards for Industrial Plants Is Not Recommended

A memorandum made public by the War Department concerning the use of armed guards about industrial plants contains the following:

"The soldier in training who has offered his life for the defense of country should not sacrifice his effectiveness by performing police duty in the protection of property back of the lines. This is the duty of the citizen at home.

"The theater for operations for armed soldiers is the battlefield of Europe. Each civilian should aid his country by acting as a guard for the detection and prevention of intrigue, deceit, and all the familiar stealthy operations of the enemy in our midst. Each soldier unnecessarily detained as a guard in this country aids and abets the enemy in Europe.

"Often a guard may be needed for the safety of a factory. When it is, it should be supplied by the owner of the factory, by the municipality, or by the State.

"These measures apply not only to manufacturing plants, but are equally applicable to shipyards, grain elevators and stores of supplies."

New U. S. Army Rifle Shows Improvements Over Other Models

The United States rifle, model of 1917, commonly called the modified Enfield, has now been tested in the service of the army a sufficient time to warrant the assertion that it more than justifies claims made for it, according to a statement authorized by the secretary of war.

The new rifle takes a 30-caliber cartridge, which has the advantage over the British Enfield of being rimless. It has been found that unless rim cartridges are fed through the magazine uniformly with the rim of the top cartridge ahead of the rim of the one immediately below jams are likely to occur.

The model of 1917 has an over-all length of 46.3 inches; a total weight including oiler and thong case and bayonet of 10 pounds and 5 ounces. The breech mechanism is of the bolt type.

Junior Four-Minute Men Will Aid Campaign for Third Liberty Loan

Plans have been announced for the organization of "Junior Four-Minute Men" in every school in the country. According to the Division of Four-Minute Men of the Committee on Public Information, bulletins espe-

cially prepared for school children will be sent during the third Liberty Loan campaign for distribution by superintendents to all schools in the United States. Addresses will be prepared from the material in these bulletins just as regular Four-Minute speakers in motion-picture houses prepare their own speeches from bulletins supplied by the government.

In each school the children submitting the best speeches are to deliver them in public. According to plans the boy or girl awarded first prize is to get a certificate from the United States Government as a Junior Four-Minute Man.

Farmers Borrow Over \$50,000,000 from Farm Loan Banks

During the month of January \$11,787,517 was paid out to farmers of the United States by the Federal land banks on long time first mortgage loans, according to a statement by the Federal Farm Loan Board.

On February 1st the total amount of money paid out to farmers since the establishment of the federal land banks was \$50,782,432, covering 24,020 loans closed. The total amount of loans applied for up to February 1st was \$260,556,981, representing 112,146 applications.

Lack of Knowledge of Gas Defense Fatal to Soldiers

The necessity for thorough and continuous training of troops in gas defense is shown by a statement proved by captured German documents:

The Germans at a certain position on the western front knew the British were planning to deliver a gas attack on a German division equipped with masks, but poorly trained in their use. In spite of the fact that they had several days to drill before conditions were suitable for the British attack, when it was finally made hundreds of German casualties resulted.

Many kinds of gases are used in modern warfare. Some merely affect the eyes temporarily, and are more inconvenient than serious. Other gases are terrible in their effect unless proper protection is available. They are employed in clouds, or in shells, bombs, and hand grenades.

It is the work of the field training section of the gas defense to bring home to the American soldier the importance of his gas mask, to thoroughly drill him in its use and to inspire confidence in its efficacy.

Signal Corps School for Aerial Photography Opened at Rochester, N. Y.

In the new school opened at Rochester, N. Y., to train photographers for the Signal Corps, the primary training will cover four weeks along highly specialized developments brought out in the war. At its close the successful graduates will be sent on for a month's advanced training, after which they will be organized into units and sent over seas.

Men with the highest grades will be given still further training for commissions as photographic intelligence officers, first at a school and then in actual flights at the flying fields.

India Leads all Countries in the Importation of Cotton Goods

Enlistments in the regular army since April 1, 1917, have been more than 379,000.

The War Department Commission on Training Camp Activities now has 55 women deputy sheriffs working in vicinities of camps in all parts of the country.

The period during which rye flour may be used as a wheat flour substitute in Victory bread has been extended to March 31st, as in some sections of the country other substitutes are not yet available.

The campaign to raise a second \$100,000,000 has been announced by the American Red Cross for the week beginning May 6th. To date nearly \$90,000,000 has been appropriated for war relief work.

It is reported from Germany that wood is being largely used in place of celluloid, ivory, and other substances for the manufacture of combs. Excellent toilet combs are made from thinly cut birch and beechwood.

Only the 1-cylinder type of Liberty motor for airplanes is now being built, it has been thought best in view of developments abroad to concentrate on the high-powered engine instead of the eight-cylinder.

Selective Service Boards in Oklahoma Serve Without Pay

Of the 261 members of local selective service boards in Oklahoma, 97 per cent have served without pay. The cost per man certified for ser-

vice in Oklahoma was \$1.57, less than in any other State, according to figures made public by Provost Marshal General Crowder. The cost of operation of the selective service law ran highest in Delaware, \$19 per man. The average cost per man certified throughout the United States was \$4.93.

Activities of Red Cross Described in Statement by War Department

Describing the American Red Cross as a body authorized to do everything possible for the comfort and welfare of the soldiers, and to make use of such agencies as are authorized and are in a position to contribute to that end in addition to the provisions made by the government, a general statement by the War Department outlines certain approved activities:

To distribute sweaters, mufflers, helmets, socks, comfort kits, etc.

To render emergency relief of every kind upon request of an officer in charge.

To relieve anxiety and sustain the morale of soldiers who are worried about their families at home, and to promote the comfort and well being of these families.

To conduct canteen service stations for furnishing refreshments to soldiers when traveling through the country; to furnish emergency relief to the sick and wounded when en route and to see that they are conveyed to a hospital when necessary and requested by the commanding officer.

A representative of the Red Cross may be attached to each base hospital to furnish emergency supplies when called upon, to communicate with families of patients, to render home service to patients and such other assistance as pertains to Red Cross work.

Plans of the American Liberty Association include the establishment of book and library service in army and navy hospitals in America and France.

Exports of corn to Canada for feeding and manufacturing purposes have been limited to those varieties and grades which are not suitable for seed purposes.

Divisional athletic directors who have received commissions will accompany their contingents to France, according to the War Department Commission on Training Camp Activities. Boxing instructors will not be sent with the troops, as at present the need for these men is considered greater on this side.

The government is today the greatest employer of labor in the United States, not considering railroad employees. In normal times approximately 400,000 civilians are employed, and in the last year the number has increased to 600,000. In comparison one steel corporation employs 300,000 men, and one railroad 250,000.

"Stars and Stripes," is the name of the weekly newspaper being published in France for American troops, under the direction of the intelligence section. Practically the entire paper is devoted to American news, including a daily radio report of about 1,400 words supplied by the Committee on Public Information to the French government.

In an announcement by the Food Administration the cause for advance in rice prices is attributed to the fact that most rice mills have been running to full capacity in order to supply the demand for 1,000,000 bags for American and allied fighting forces. As a result the normal supply for home consumption has been temporarily reduced. Lower prices are forecasted.

J. E. Parker was a visitor the first of the week from Andrews, and gave a fair report of conditions out there. The Reporter joins other friends in sympathy to Mr. Parker and wife in the recent loss of their baby.

Burt Rosenbaum was in this week from his place in the "C" range. He gave a satisfactory range report. We were very glad, too, to receive his order to send The Reporter to his brother at Kouts, Ind.

G. S. Kinney was a visitor this week from Andrews, his first visit in a good many years. He is an old timer here, and had his name placed on our subscription list to keep in touch with affairs of this section.

W. O. Woodriddle is with us this week from Fort Worth, to look over his ranch interests. He has been in Fort Worth for some time, now, and reports his wife's health much improved since going to that city.

Per a Bad Cold

Take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It has stood the test of time and can be depended upon. Sold by C. A. Taylor & Son. adv 1mt

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First National Bank
MIDLAND, TEXAS

Condition on Nov. 20th, 1917

Capital, Surplus and Undivided Profits
\$229,832.23

Deposits
\$928,639.01

Total Resources
\$1,183,471.24

CAPITAL ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS

Bad Taste in Your Mouth
When you have a bad taste in your mouth you may know that your digestion is faulty. A dose of Chamberlain's Tablets will usually correct the disorder. They also cause a gentle movement of the bowels. You will find this to be one of the best medicines you have ever become acquainted with. For sale by C. A. Taylor & Son. adv 1mt

We would like to accommodate everybody, but can not possibly do so. Midland Fuel Company. adv 16 17

We Will be Pleased to Have You Discuss Your Cattle Loan With Us.

Capital \$100,000, coupled with other resources and unsurpassed connections, we feel amply able to take care of your needs, no matter how large. Small loans will also receive careful consideration.

South Plains Cattle Loan Company

Office with the Midland National Bank

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Will A. Martin, Vice President
B. C. Girdley, Sec.-Treas.-Mgr.

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Grocery and Confectionery

A nice line of groceries delivered to any part of city. A modern, sanitary restaurant where the best the market affords, is served to eat.

An up-to-date confectionery, where choice confections and soft drinks are dispensed.

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Good Service

Means promptness, accuracy, full weight, cleanliness, wholesomeness and a square deal all the time, according to our interpretation, and this is the kind of service we try to give. We appreciate your business.

Cash Market & Bakery

J. A. ANDREWS, Proprietor

300 PHONES 71

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The four greatest events of life are:

- Getting Married
- Building your Home
- Your First Baby
- Buying your Car

Let us help you plan and build your HOME.

ROCKWELL BROS. & CO.

(Midland Lumber Company)

NO BEEF OR PORK TO BE EATEN TUESDAYS

J. E. Bentley handed us the following this week which will be of vital interest to all:

District and County Administrators: In order to eliminate possible confusion due to incomplete press reports, the conservation program for meat, until further notice, is simply no beef or pork products on Tuesday.

The whole basis of the change, is to substitute our more abundant meats for our less abundant bread-stuffs. As to wheat and wheat products the 1918 Kitchen Cards should be considered as the absolute minimum, as we hope that a temporary reduction in the meat restrictions will be offset by a more rigid economy in all uses of wheat products.

Please advise all hotels and restaurants of the above and give widest publicity to the reasons for the temporary suspension of part of the meat program.

Very truly yours,
E. A. Peden,
Federal Food Administrator for Texas.

EL PASO BOY ENTERS MIDLAND PUBLIC SCHOOL

It will doubtless be of interest to the many friends of his father and mother to know that Master E. H. Whitaker, of El Paso, was enrolled in our schools this week, he being the 647th pupil enrolled during the current session. E. H. is the son of Hon. E. M. Whitaker, of El Paso, who for a number of years was president of our school board and who is now occupying the same position for the school board of El Paso. While Mrs. Whitaker is to be away with little Dorothy for the health of the latter for a few months, Judge Whitaker has seen fit to send E. H. to our schools. The young lad is a manly, vigorous little fellow and the many friends of his father and mother will be glad to accord him a hearty welcome among us.

Little E. H. has many relatives in Midland who are also glad to have him with them.

P. C. Miller was in town this week from the Geo. D. Elliott ranch 14 miles northeast of town. Reports the range looking very well.

RELATIVE OF MIDLAND MAN WINS DISTINCTION

Tuesday's Dallas Evening Journal carries the following account of a former Dallas young man who has won signal honors in the European war and has been decorated with the D. S. O. for meritorious service in the field. The young man mentioned in the dispatch is a cousin of our townsman, J. W. Storey, and the picture accompanying the article bears a striking resemblance to our Mr. Storey. The dispatch follows:

"James A. Storey, of Dallas, has received information that his nephew, Second Lieutenant William Storey, has been awarded the D. S. O. for meritorious service in the field. Previous to this Lieut. Storey has been mentioned three times in dispatches. The youngster is only 19 years old, but he has seen lots of fighting and is believed to be the youngest member of the British army to whom the D. S. O. has been awarded.

"The Paisley and Renfrewshire Gazette says of Lieut. Storey: "In the long list of awards won on the battlefield by the gallant sons of Paisley, one of the most outstanding is that gained recently by Second Lieut. William Storey, H.L.I. Though only 19 years of age, the young of-

ficer has seen a lot of fighting, has gained the rare distinction of being mentioned three times in dispatches and now he has been awarded the D. S. O. for meritorious service in the field. The D. S. O. is recognized as a senior officer's decoration, and it is most unusual to bestow it upon a subaltern. Lieut. Storey is one of the few lieutenants serving with the forces who has won this distinction. He has brought great honor to his town."

J. H. BARRON RETURNS FROM EASTERN MARKETS

J. H. Barron, proprietor of Everybody's, returned early in the week from a visit to the eastern markets where he finished buying the spring and summer stock for his store. On account of illness Mr. Barron's marketing trip was delayed for some time, but early purchases were made by wire and otherwise and new goods have been arriving at this store almost daily since early in the season. The stock bought by Mr. Barron on this trip is now arriving and their advertisement in this issue directs attention to some attractive bargains.

J. A. Ward and son, Rock, were in town this week from their ranch near Ocho, N. M. They report a very good rain in that locality on Monday.

New Arrivals of the Week

In the Ready-to-Wear Department

We have just received some beautiful Poplin dresses in pink, blue, tan and gold colors at **\$4.85**

In the petticoat line we have some attractive new things in Jerseys, Messaline and Heatherbloom from **\$1.50 to \$7.00**

Also some nice Wash Silk Petticoats in figured material at **\$1.50**

We continue to get some lovely blouses. This week we received a full line of Georgette Blouses in all the new colors and styles. We invite you to see them.

Do not buy Gingham Dresses until you have seen our new ones. They are made up in splendid styles and in a variety of colored plaids. We have them in sizes from 16 to 20 and prices from **\$3.50 to \$4.50**

In the Dry Goods Department

Have you seen the new Red Seal Gingham at **25c per yard**

Our Silks, Wash Satins, Taffetas, Foulards and Georgettes are now on display. They are above our expectations.

In this department, we have also some new fancy Silk Hose, up-to-date Neckwear for Ladies, Muslin Underwear and Gowns, and shipment of thread in silk, cotton, embroidery and knitting thread.

In the Men's and Boys' Department

Our Stetson Hats are here. The newest styles, shapes and colors, in dress and staple hats. **\$5.00 to \$12.00**

We have also a fine line of Men's and Boys' medium priced hats in all styles for spring at **\$4.00**. Come and see them.

If not in need of a hat, come and see our caps in all the new colors, both in wool and silk, for men and boys, at prices from **35c to \$1.75**

We have two new shipments of Neckwear and fancy Silk Hose.

Those who have not settled their tickets are asked to do so, as we do not carry them to a ledger. Give us your cash business and we will save you money. We are here to serve you

EVERYBODY'S

J. H. BARRON, Prop.

\$20 in Gold

NAME OUR NEW STORE

We will pay \$20.00 in gold to the person submitting the most appropriate name for our new store, first door north of the post office, in the Garrett & Brown building.

We have bought the stock of goods, (formerly the Broken Dollar store) and have thoroughly overhauled and remodeled all the old fixtures; will have our new stock of goods in the next few days; in fact, we expect to have one of the most up-to-date stores of its kind in the West.

We expect to be open for business by March 18th, and a cordial invitation is extended everybody to visit us in our new quarters and see the thousands of useful articles we have on display—and DON'T FORGET THOSE PRICES.

In opening our new store we have been at a loss to find a name for it that exactly suited us, so we decided to let the public name it for us. Understand there are no strings on this; you may suggest any name that you think appropriate and deposit same in a box that we will have for that purpose at our store, first door north of post office, on or before Saturday March 30th, 6 p. m. A disinterested committee of three, appointed by us will select a name from those submitted, and the person submitting the best and most appropriate name will be awarded \$20.00 in GOLD.

In event two or more people suggest the same name, the \$20.00 in gold will be equally divided.

This offer is open to every man, woman and child in Midland and the Midland Country, and they are entitled to suggest as many names as they care to.

Write the name for our New Store on the blank line below, and your name on the other, and drop in the box at our new store, first door north of post office.

Tear off at this Line

I suggest the following name for the new store (formerly the Broken Dollar Store)

Signature

Additional blanks may be had at our store. Get one for every member of the family.

WE WILL LOSE WAR IF WE DON'T WAKE UP

Dr. Harvey W. Wylie, writing in Good Housekeeping, gives expression to the following pointed and pertinent remarks concerning the war situation:

Unless we wake up, we're going to lose this war. England muddled through two years, but favorable circumstances kept her from paying the supreme penalty. We shall not be favored. The eastern front is gone; the western front cannot be held indefinitely. Unless peace by negotiation comes before summer, the price of our unpreparedness and delay and our easy-going tolerance of incompetency in high places will be at least one hundred thousand of our boys sleeping the hero's sleep "somewhere in France." A man that makes excuses for delays that are avoidable should be instantly dismissed and punished, for delays mean lives, and lives are more precious than any man's profits, or any precedent, or any one's tenure of office. Any family that will not save should be strictly limited to the nutritional requirements of its members. Any one who plots against or hinders the country, so that one effort goes wrong, should meet the fate of the spy and the traitor. Shall we be cender with such and send our sons to die? We are in a great war. All the rules have been broken by the enemy. It's our life or his. Let's strip to the soul and get it.

FAMILY NOW NUMBERS NINE CHILDREN

To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ramsay on Tuesday morning a 12 pound, fine robust boy was born. This makes Mr. and Mrs. Ramsay a family of nine children now, five boys and four girls. Mother and baby are doing well and Harry walks about the happiest of them all. The Reporter extends congratulations.

COL. E. J. MUMFORD IS CRITICALLY ILL

It is with deepest regret that we report our old friend and esteemed townsman, Col. E. J. Mumford critically ill, a victim of Bright's disease. We trust that a change for the better will come soon.

SUNDAY AT THE CHURCHES

The usual services will be held at all the churches Sunday morning and afternoon. All are earnestly requested to attend the services of their respective churches, or churches of their choice.

At 8 o'clock in the evening all the churches will meet at the Methodist church in union service. Rev. W. H. Foster, pastor of the Presbyterian church, will preach at that hour. Other interesting and helpful features of the service will be special music and brief and pointed talks by the laymen. All are cordially invited and urgently requested to attend.

J. T. McKissick,
W. H. Foster,
J. W. Cowan.

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.

Junior League Patriotic Program

Leader—Maggie Snodgrass.
"Star-Spangled Banner."
Subject "Patriotism."
Reference reading.
Roll call and response with Bible verse.

Sentence prayers.
Song No. 222.
First psalm in concert.
A march with flags.
Bible stories—Leaguers.
Piano solo—Ethel Norwood.
Reading—Viola Puckett.
Piano solo—Bessie Johnson.
Reading—Velma Puckett.
Announcements and receiving of new members.
Closing song No. 343.
Benediction.
Every one bring a flag, if you can.

Intermediate Endeavor
Subject, "The Art of Living With Others" (1 Peter 3:8-16.)
Leader—Seth Ingham.

Song, "Help Somebody Today."
Prayer—Bro. McKissick.
Bible lesson and comment by the leader.

Sympathy—Isabelle Floyd.
Peace—John McKissick.
Co-operation—James McKissick.
Generosity—Thord Dockray.
Patience—Fannie Floyd.
Silence—Seth Ingham.
Round table talks on Fault-finding, Shirking, Impatience and Disobedience.
Announcements, offering, Mizpah.

Attention Members!

The Woodman Circle meets the 2nd Friday night and the 4th Friday afternoon of each month. Important matters to be discussed Friday, March 22nd.

Alva Bigham, Guardian,
Cora Miller, Clerk.

MADE FISHING TRIP TO PECOS RIVER THIS WEEK

Arthur Johnson, Gene Cowden and C. C. Watson made a fishing trip the first of the week to the Pecos river. They phoned in at 11:30 this morning and said they were on their way home. Nothing but cold weather would drive this trio in from a fishing trip.

Appeal to Midland Red Cross Members

The government needs every piece of paper or rag, which you can save for her.

I am willing to offer my spare time and work for that purpose. I am also authorized to offer \$50 to the Red Cross for the first car you are saving, \$100 for the second, etc.

When you have a good many saved up, phone 222 and we'll come and get them.

Respectfully,

M. LEVINSON
of the City Grocery Co.