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MIDLAND HAS OVER-SUBSCRIBED QUOTA

Went Over the Top Early in Campaign and Has Near \$13,000 Over Assessed Quota

Last Monday the "Liberty Train" was in Midland, and the war relics were of a lot of interest. We shall not attempt to describe them. If you were not there, you should have been, for the display was a little too much for adequate description in a brief space. The best thing, however, was the Irishman, the talking Irishman who had been "over there," and who believes in not stopping at going over the top. He has half a dozen or more wounds, but is anxious to go back to the western front in France to see the final wind-up. He praised Midland for having gone over the top in the Fourth Liberty Loan, but urged that when the boys over there are ordered to go over, they did, and kept going. So Midland has kept going.

Our quota was \$80,200. There has been pledged approximately \$93,000. We hope that before the close of tomorrow the figure will reach \$100,000. Really, we can hardly consider that we have gone over the top at a less figure.

The war is not yet over; not by a good deal, perhaps, and the allies are pounding the huns in a way that does the heart good. They are begging the huns are—they are almost literally down on their knees with the question, "What must we do to be saved?" Still they want to "palaver," but "Uncle Woodrow" has issued the proper powder—and so the good work goes on. The huns are getting a punishment richly deserved.

Next week the war work committee of Midland County will have compiled the several lists of subscribers to the Fourth Liberty Loan, and same will be published in The Reporter. It will be divided into such classes as those who have subscribed more than assessed by the Individual Quota Committee, those who have subscribed the amounts assessed, those who have subscribed less than assessed, and on down to the fellow who is an out and out slacker.

The document promises to be of a lot of interest. We shall publish it just as handed in by the committee.

—Pay The President—

MIDLAND TEACHERS IN ANNUAL SESSION

Interesting Program Being Rendered at High School and Many Teachers in Attendance

The Midland County Teachers' Institute is in session this week at the high school building, Judge J. M. DeArmond and Superintendent Lackey taking advantage of the opportunity created by this week's recess to hold the institute. On last Monday our city schools suspended for one week on account of the epidemic of la grippe, and the institute was called to meet Tuesday. Judge DeArmond being busy with the liberty loan work, the institute was called to order by Superintendent Lackey, who nominated Principal J. E. Nelson for chairman and Miss Beulah Tidley for secretary. These were unanimously elected.

Three books are being used in the work of the institute: Colvin and Bagley's "Human Behavior for class work, and Magnusson's "Psychology as Applied to Education" and M. V. O'Shea's "Social Development and Education" for special subjects.

All the teachers of the county are present and the work of the institute will continue for five days, closing next Monday, the 21st. Those present, in addition to the faculty of the city schools, are: Miss Grace Carlisle, Miss Annie Lee King, Miss Cora Castellaw, Miss Bess McCollum, Miss Mary Shelburne, and Miss Ruth Clark. Superintendent Cora Goodwin of the Odessa schools will deliver an address on Friday morning.

The members of the institute have enjoyed the numbers which have been given by musicians and readers of the city. Special mention should be made of the excellent addresses which have been given by President F. G. Jones of Midland College, B. W. Baker, of the firm of Garrard & Baker, and others. Hon. E. R. Bryan, Mayor W. A. Dawson, Rev. J. W. Cowan, Rev. O. J. Hull and Rev. W. H. Foster are on the program for brief addresses. All in all, the program is proving to be very interesting and helpful to the teachers and to others who are appearing either as visitors or speakers.

—Pay The President—

WANTS M. & N. W. UNDER GOVERNMENT CONTROL

D. Fläken and T. J. O'Donnell made a trip to New Orleans the first of the week, seeking to get the Midland & Northwestern under government control. At New Orleans it developed that a trip to Washington was necessary, and so they left yesterday evening for the capital city. A more elaborate account of their movements will be in later issue of The Reporter.

MIDLAND'S MAYOR MILDLY CRITICISES

The Reporter, However, is Less Tolerant and is Ashamed of Violations of Local Patriotism

The Reporter has the following communication this week from Mayor W. A. Dawson:

"Our citizens are to be commended for the spirit manifested in Clean-up Day, which was set for last Tuesday by the City Council. While an inspection has not been made, but from my own personal observation they were practically unanimous in observing this day and we are confident that not one will be subjected to fine. We find that some were away from town on that day and fell in line the following day on their return.

The Council urgently requested that all business houses be closed for the morning, and felt that every business concern would be interested in civic welfare to the extent that they would gladly and cheerfully respond to such request. We regret that some of our business concerns failed to respond and did not close their places of business until 1 p. m., thus showing no interest in the civic welfare of the town to this extent. The Council thought only a request would be necessary.

"Thanks to those who so cheerfully gathered their hoes and rakes early Tuesday morning, beautifying their premises and aiding to prevent the spread of the epidemic that is now covering our entire country.

"W. A. DAWSON, Mayor."

The Reporter regrets that any merchant, especially one who may have a competitor, failed to observe Clean-up Day. Frankly, if our mayor has been rightly informed, we are ashamed. A man is not nationally patriotic unless he is locally so and if he will not observe an edict that is locally exigent, neither can we expect him to be otherwise a patriot. We recognize the possibility of thoughtlessness but we see in this failure to observe the order of our City Council a spirit of covetousness that is hardly excusable. Unquestionably some of our merchants conduct their business upon a plane that is above reproach. At a time like this, when we should vie with each other in practices of patriotism, a violation of the spirit of Americanism is not tolerable, and the fact should be recognized no less than as we enter into a conscientious support of our government. Doubtless our mayor has been correctly informed. The fact is a humiliation to Midland, is offensive to civic dignity, and cannot be excused. In the future The Reporter will handle such cases with less tolerance.

—Pay The President—

Dennis Ethridge was reported critically ill at Camp Pike, Ark., this week. A wire from Dr. J. E. Clark stated Wednesday that the sufferer was in no dangerous condition. We trust he is well by this time.

DO YOU SHARE IN THIS BIT OF PRAISE?

Dallas, Texas, 4 p. m., Oct. 13th, 1918.
Judge J. M. DeArmond, Chairman:
We are mighty proud of the good Americans of Midland County. Their response to government call is magnificent. Please extend to your people sincere congratulations and best wishes. Keep good work up.

HOOPES.

CARROLL HOLLOWAY DIED LAST WEDNESDAY

Almost as soon as it was known that he was sick news came last Wednesday afternoon that Carroll Holloway was dead. He died at Algiers, La., where he was stationed in the radio department of the army, the same place where Luke Cowan died some months ago. Carroll suffered of influenza, and seems to have been sick but a short time.

The young man leaves a young wife and an infant, besides the aged parents, "Uncle Willis" Holloway and wife, and with all these and other relatives Midland people sympathize most deeply.

Carroll Holloway was a fine young man, indeed, and held in the highest esteem by all who knew him. It is not known yet when the body will arrive in Midland for burial. In the meantime next week The Reporter will comment further upon this death, and pay the memory of deceased some tribute in keeping with the young man's sterling worth.

—Pay The President—

O. D. Cook and wife were in the first of the week from their ranch in Andrews County. Mr. Cook reports conditions fairly satisfactory.

SCHOOLS AND CHURCHES CLOSED IN MIDLAND

To keep the schools open during the influenza epidemic the requirements suggested by the city health authorities have been such that so many pupils were kept out as to make it expedient, in the judgment of the trustees, to temporarily close the public schools.

The churches and places of public amusement are also now closed in an effort to prevent the spread of this disease.

In order to make more effective these measures of protection against influenza, and to hasten, if possible, normal conditions, it is urged that all assemblages be suspended temporarily and that crowds for any purpose be avoided except they be held in the open air.

—Pay The President—

JNO. B. THOMAS, Health Officer.

J. H. Gwyn was here last Sunday from Abilene. He only spent a few hours with his brother, S. H. Gwyn, and was on his way to El Paso, where he will be employed in the postoffice.

—Pay The President—

Pay up your past due subscription to The Reporter—\$1.50 the year.

LIBERTY DAY WAS PLEASING AFFAIR

Schools Gave a Patriotic Pageant, Swedish Gymnastics, and Songs on Street

Liberty Day was observed in appropriate and patriotic fashion by our public schools and all of Midland on last Saturday. The celebration took the form of a patriotic pageant with Swedish gymnastics and patriotic songs by the pupils of the city schools, and of patriotic addresses by Hon. J. M. Caldwell of this city and Hon. Ed M. Whitaker of El Paso. Midland has observed every Liberty Day which our President has designated, and this observance was given in the open air in as much as the physicians had advised that there would be no danger from the prevailing epidemic if the exercises were had in the open air.

The observance began with a patriotic pageant through the main streets of the town by the pupils of the public schools. A large American flag led the way, being followed by a large portrait of Woodrow Wilson and numerous patriotic banners, such as, "Force to the Limit"—"Wilson"; "Unconditional Surrender"—"Our Answer, etc. This was followed by exercises in Swedish gymnastics in the center of Main street, participated in by about 300 pupils, all in simple uniform. After this, were sung the Liberty Loan songs which had been sent out by the government.

The Star Spangled Banner, and other patriotic songs. Judge J. M. Caldwell was then introduced. He said that he was glad that he was an American and that he lived in Midland. His address was enthusiastic, patriotic, and inspiring. He was loudly applauded when he announced that Midland had gone "over the top" with her quota of the Fourth Liberty Loan. Judge Caldwell then introduced Hon. Ed M. Whitaker of El Paso, Judge Whitaker for a number of years lived in Midland, was president of the school board here, and counts his friends and admirers by those who know him. He easily sustained his reputation as a pleasing and eloquent orator. His address, which dealt with the war and our patriotic duty, was enthusiastically applauded. Mr. Whitaker is now president of the school board in El Paso, where he has a large law practice.

The ice cream or dessert of the program consisted of a number of patriotic songs by the primary department of north ward, Miss Harris' and Miss Brunson's rooms. These little folks did well, hewing that they had been well-trained, as did all of the pupils on this occasion. One of the features of this part of the celebration was a beautifully rendered solo by little Miss Jennie Elkin.

The entire observance was entertaining, beautiful and patriotic, showing that Midland always does her duty, and more.

AT THE FUNERAL OF ORAN EDWARDS

A Beautiful Service Conducted and a Worthy Tribute Paid the Esteemed Deceased

Rarely has a funeral been so largely attended as that of our young townsman, Oran Edwards, last Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. We mentioned the young man's death in our last issue, and that we supplement with the following tribute, spoken at the funeral by the Methodist pastor, Rev. J. W. Cowan:

"Death is the heritage of us all. 'Dust thou art and to dust shalt thou return' is the immutable decree of the great Creator concerning us, His creatures. Solomon declares concerning the end of man's earthly pilgrimage: 'Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was; and the spirit shall return unto God who gave it.' The immortal Homer emphasizes the sad and unalterable truth of man's mortality in these impressive lines: 'Death is the lot, which none can miss, And all is possible to Heaven but this.'"

The best, the dearest favorite of the sky, Must taste that cup, for man is born to die."

"Paul, referring to the resurrection of the body, says 'It is not quickened except to die.' It must go down into death to become immortal, as the seed must die in order to issue into the new life and bloom and bear fruit. Death is necessary. We pass into the city of eternal life through the gate of death.

And how often and in what quick succession are the evidences of the sad fact of human mortality brought to us. Scarcely have we laid to rest the body of one of our fellow-beings until we are called to the same sad rite of another. We bid a loved one goodbye in the morning only to return and find him cold in death in the evening. The young man whose mortal remains lie before us left home a short time ago, in the flower of his young manhood, in perfect health and strength, buoyant of spirit, anxious to do service for his country's cause. In less than five months the strong young man falls before the scythe of death and only his lifeless body is returned to the old home.

"Oran Edwards" was born in Strawn, Palo Pinto County, Texas, August 20, 1885. In 1893 the family moved to Midland, Oran, the youngest of six children, being a small boy about eight years of age. Here he grew to manhood and has made his home here ever since. Under the wise training and direction of godly parents, and the good influences of churches and schools, and in spite of any and all opposing forces, he developed into a strong, sturdy, stalwart, influential and useful young man. By patient industry and sagacious judgment in his application to his business he succeeded in his chosen vocation and won for himself the esteem and confidence of his business associates.

"Last May he turned aside from his ranch business, in which he and his brothers had been successfully engaged for a number of years, and volunteered his services in the U. S. army. He was not in the draft age, but in his breast beat the heart of the true patriot. He longed to have some part in the great struggle being waged by his fellows for the cause of righteousness, and voluntarily, willingly and cheerfully offered himself to his country to help fight her battles against the enemy of civilization. He was received into the service and sent first to Paris Island, S. C., where he remained for a while. Later he was sent to Quantico, Va., where he remained in the service until he was removed from earth by the Angel of Death. On Saturday morning, October 5, after an illness of a few days from that dreadful and fatal disease that has been sweeping over our country— influenza — his manly and useful young life came to a sudden and untimely end.

He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Mary T. Edwards, now living in Merkel, Texas; three brothers, Wesley of Merkel, and Charles and John H. of this place; two sisters, Mrs. Eva Gilmore of Portland, Oregon, and Mrs. Annie Sharp of Merkel. His father, of sainted memory, resided here for a number of years and was respected and revered by the people of Midland. He and wife were devoted members of the Methodist church here and from here he went to the spirit-land some years ago. His body rests in the cemetery here, near where will be laid the remains of the soldier son.

"The uniform testimony of his many friends and acquaintances, both among the older and the younger people with whom his life has been spent, fully justifies and abundantly authorizes the unqualified statement that Oran Edwards was a good man. His character was as spotless as the snowdrift on the mountain top. He had many commendable and lofty traits of character. He was a congenial and affable nature; pleasant, sunny, optimistic and happy disposition.

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YOUR PLEDGE-
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PAY THE PRESIDENT

CATTLE SHIPMENTS IN THE PAST TEN DAYS

Inspector J. F. Conner reports again this week, shipments including October 5th to 16th. Cattle shipments from this territory have been heavy, as indicated by the following:

October 5th—F. G. Oxshier, 10 cars cows and bulls, Stanton to Sierra Blanco.
 Same date—S. K. Lewis, 1 car cows and yearlings, Midland to Ft. Worth.
 Same date—J. P. Collins, 1 car cows, Midland to Ft. Worth.
 Same date—W. N. Connell, 1 car cows, Midland to Ft. Worth.
 Same date—J. E. Hill, 1 car horses, Midland to Ft. Worth.
 Same date—J. W. Patton, 1 car cows and steers, Seminole to Ft. Worth.
 Same date—A. R. Patton, 1 car horses, Seminole to Ft. Worth.
 Same date—I. H. Terry, 2 cars cows, calves and bulls, Seminole to Ft. Worth.
 Same date—I. M. Houston, 1 car cows, Seminole to Ft. Worth.
 Same date—Bradford Roach, 1 car horses and mules, Seminole to Memphis, Texas.
 Same date—M. S. Davis, 1 car calves, Seminole to Ft. Worth.
 Same date—W. B. Hamilton, 3 cars cows, Seminole to Ft. Worth.
 Same date—J. H. Dunn, 3 cars cows and calves, Seminole to Fort Worth.
 Oct. 6th—C. W. Hart, 1 car cows and yearlings, Fasken to Ft. Worth.
 Same date—R. H. Eastman, 2 cars cows, Fasken to Ft. Worth.
 Same date—E. A. Kelley, 5 cars cows, Odessa to Ft. Worth.
 Same date—Burlison & McKinney, 1 car bulls, Odessa to Ft. Worth.
 Same date—A. W. Wight, 1 car cows, Odessa to Ft. Worth.
 Oct. 8th—Price & Graham, 4 cars cows and calves, Odessa to Fort Worth.
 Same date—Geo. D. Elliott, 10 cars cows and calves, Fasken to Fort Worth.
 Same date—Burl Holloway, 1 car cows, Fasken to Ft. Worth.
 Same date—Jim Parker, 3 cars cows, Fasken to Ft. Worth.
 Same date—Mrs. Edith Poole, 3 cars cows, Fasken to Ft. Worth.
 Oct. 10th—C. H. Price, 2 cars cows, Seminole to Ft. Worth.
 Same date—J. H. Dunn, 1 car cows, Seminole to Ft. Worth.

Same date—C. D. Ham, 1 car horses, Seminole to Eagle Lake.
 Oct. 11th—Girdley & Nobles sold to S. H. Purcell 150 3-year-old steers. Shipped from Rankin to Ft. Stockton.
 Same date—Girdley & Nobles, 1 car 2-year-old steers, Midland to Ft. Worth.
 Same date—Bob Webb, 2 cars cows, Midland to Ft. Worth.
 Same date—E. J. Johnson, 2 cars cows, Midland to Ft. Worth.
 Oct. 12th—G. F. Cowden & Son, 3 cars cows and bulls, Odessa to Ft. Worth.
 Same date—Cowden & Blakeney, 2 cars cows, Odessa to Ft. Worth.
 Same date—A. D. Cooksey, 3 cars cows and calves, Metz to Ft. Worth.
 Oct. 13th—M. E. Hickey, 4 cars stock cattle, Seminole to Lakewood, N. M.
 Same date—O. A. Pruett, 1 car cows and steers, Seminole to Fort Worth.
 Same date—Lyman Bros., 2 cars cows and bulls, Seminole to Ft. Worth.
 Same date—Bryant & Elkin, 3 cars cows, Seminole to Ft. Worth.
 Same date—Geo. D. Elliott, 3 cars cows, Fasken to Ft. Worth.
 Same date—V. V. Ingle, 1 car cows, Midland to Ft. Worth.
 Same date—T. O. and J. R. Love, 4 cars 3-year-old steers, Midland to Ft. Worth.
 Same date—J. E. Hill, 1 car horses, Midland to Ft. Worth.
 Oct. 14th—W. F. Cowden, 2 cars calves and 1 car cows, Odessa to Ft. Worth.
 Oct. 16th—T. A. Cowan, 1 car horses and mules, from Seminole to Mexia.
 Same date—I. H. Terry, 2 cars cows and yearlings, Seminole to Ft. Worth.
 Same date—Jno. Bludworth, 1 car calves and 5 cars cows, Florey to Ft. Worth.
 Same date—T. T. Garrard, 2 cars cows and bulls, Fasken to Ft. Worth.
 Same date—Mrs. Edith Poole, 2 cars cows and bulls, Fasken to Ft. Worth.
 Same date—Burl Holloway, 3 cars cows, Fasken to Ft. Worth.
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GRAND OPERA FOR FT. WORTH

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE COMPILES AND PUBLISHES MUSICAL CENSUS.

Fort Worth, Texas.—Music-loving Texans will again be afforded an opportunity to hear the world's most famous grand opera stars and this wonderful musical treat has been made possible by the efforts of several public-spirited Fort Worth citizens, who have arranged for the Chicago Grand Opera Company to give two performances in this city Friday and Saturday nights, October 25th and 26th.
 The opera will be under the able direction of Cleofonte Campanini, and assisted by other world renowned stars. The modern masterpiece "Tosca" will be presented Friday night, the 25th, and the delightful lyric "Barber of Seville" Saturday night, October 26th.
 Invitations to the opera have been issued in pamphlet form by the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce and contain the following interesting information pertaining to the musical accomplishments of this city:
 Fort Worth is the musical center of the Southwest.
 More Texas girls study music in Fort Worth than in any other Texas city.
 Fort Worth is the only city in Texas which supports two major colleges with fully equipped music faculties.
 Some of the best qualified music instructors in the United States are in Fort Worth.
 During one recent season 87 Texas counties and nine different States, were represented in the student bodies of Fort Worth music schools.
 Fort Worth has more nationally known musicians than any other Texas city.
 Approximately a quarter of a million dollars are expended annually in Fort Worth for music tuition.
 Fort Worth has produced a score of dramatic artists of national fame.
 Fort Worth has the largest Greek string band in the United States.
 Fort Worth musicians originated community singing in the Southwest.
 Fort Worth churches have a nationwide reputation for their fine choirs and church music.
 Four of the largest church organs in the Southwest are in Fort Worth. There are twenty pipe organs in the churches of Fort Worth.
 The Federal Census Bureau's latest report on professions classes 153 Fort Worth citizens as musicians.
 Eighty-five per cent of the homes of Fort Worth are equipped with musical instruments.
 Fort Worth has the largest non-professional band in the United States.
 The Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce auditorium is equipped with the only orchestral grand piano in the Southwest.
 The headquarters of the Texas Music Teachers' Association is in Fort Worth.
 —Pay The President—

Sincere Gratitude

Mrs. William Bell, Logansport, Ind., writes: "I deem it my duty to express my gratitude for the good Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy did me when I had a severe attack of diarrhoea three years ago. It was the only medicine that relieved me." For sale by C. A. Taylor & Son. adv Int
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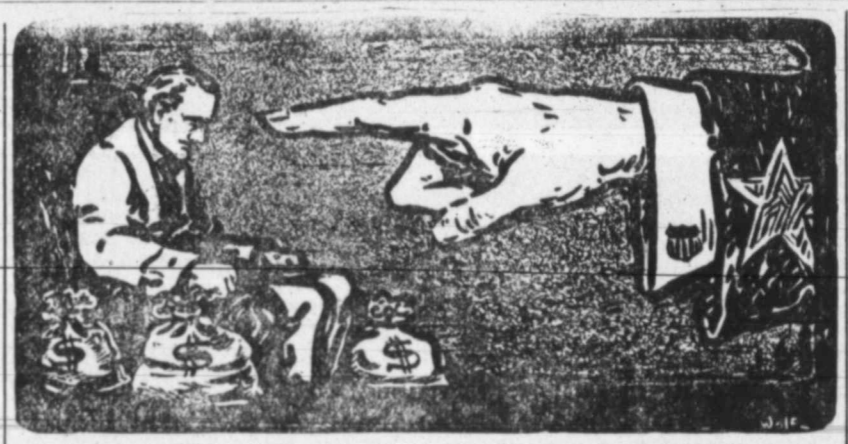
It is a matter of congratulation to our esteemed townsman, Principal J. E. Nelson of the city high school, that he was offered the principalship of the Abilene high school this week at a considerable raise in salary. It is a matter of congratulation to his many friends here, and especially to the high school, that he has decided not to leave Midland. His splendid character, equipment, personality, efficiency and spirit, make him an invaluable asset not only to the schools but to the town as well, and Midland is to be considered very fortunate in being able to retain his services. He is entering upon his eighth year as principal of our high school, which has gradually increased in rank and efficiency until now it ranks as one of the best in the State.
 After all, this is one secret of the phenomenal success of our splendid system of schools, the fact that we are able to secure and retain the services of the best teachers. No educator, however great, can build up a system of schools in a few years. Places that are continually letting their best teachers leave never have the best schools. The fact that Midland secures the best teachers and then is able to retain their services for a length of time, is one explanation why our town ranks so high on account of its unique and efficient system of schools. We congratulate ourselves and Midland that Principal Nelson has decided to remain with our high school, and that we are able to retain the services of others of our faculty, the best in the State.
 —Pay The President—

Bronchial Trouble

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BROTHER OF MRS. ADAMS DIES AT IRA, TEXAS

Mrs. Julia Adams left on the 8th inst for Ira, Texas, in response to a message announcing the serious illness of her brother, Henry Evans. The young man died on the 10th, shortly after the arrival of Mrs. Adams.
 —Pay The President—



"We'll All Go Broke if We Have To—But There's No One Busted Yet"

By WILLIAM HERSCHELL.
 When I hear some folks complainin'
 'Bout the burden they must bear
 Just to keep our soldiers fightin'
 In the trenches 'over there,'
 Then I want to show a picture,
 One I saw th' other day,
 Of a little Belgian youn'un
 An' her granny, old an' gray.
 In each face was tears and terror,
 Born of Teuton greed and lust,
 An' I pledged my all to Freedom,
 H to give 'em all I must.
 Then a 25¢ song woke within me,
 A refrain I can't forget:
 "We'll all go broke if we haf t'
 But there's no one busted yet!"
 None of us is facin' hunger,
 None need 'fear to seek his bed
 Lost a demon in a Gotha.
 Nor a bomb from overhead.
 Here we go along a-singin'
 Only now and then 'we sigh,
 An' we never see a soldier
 'Cept our own a-marchin' by.
 Fatha! we'd ought to be so grateful
 To each fightin' Yankee boy
 'Tbat th' sacrifice of givin'
 Should be measured as a joy.
 So let's do our part—full-hearted—
 Smile and say without regret:
 "We'll all go broke if we haf t'
 But there's no one busted yet!"

W. D. Ellis was in the first of the week from his ranch in Gaines County. Reports conditions pretty fair, sufficiently favorable to hope for a safe winter.
 Mrs. Jos. Weidel and three small children are recent arrivals in Midland. They came from Chicago to spend the winter, thus to avoid the rigors of their northern home.

Music and Your Child
 Next to love, good music is the most ennobling influence of the human race. Its effect upon children, its development of their character, the refinement and culture it brings is far more important than many parents realize.
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Sheriff's Sale

The State of Texas, County of Midland.
 Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain order of sale issued out of the honorable district court of Midland County, of the 28th day of September, 1918, by the clerk of said court for the sum of \$338.50 dollars and costs of suit, under a judgment, in favor of N. A. Hammack, in a certain cause in said court, No. 1485, and styled N. A. Hammack vs. George Harris, placed in my hands for service, I, W. E. Bradford, as sheriff of Midland County, Texas, did on the 28th day of September, 1918, levy on certain real estate, situated in Midland County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: Being the north one-hundred feet of lot No. One (1), in Block No. Eight (8), partly in the original town of Midland, and partly in the Homestead Addition to the town of Midland, situated, lying and being in the town of Midland, Midland County, of said George Harris, and that on the first Tuesday in November, 1918, the same being the 5th 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 order of sale I will sell said above described real estate at public vendure, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said George Harris.
 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 30th day of September, 1918.
 W. E. Bradford,
 Sheriff, Midland County, Texas.
 adv. 52-3t

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UNCLE SAM'S ADVICE ON FLU

U. S. Public Health Service Issues
Official Health Bulletin
on Influenza.

LATEST WORD ON SUBJECT.

Epidemic Probably Not Spanish in
Origin—Germ Still Unknown—Peo-
ple Should Guard Against "Droplet
Infection"—Surgeon General Blue
Makes Authoritative Statement.

Washington, D. C.—(Special.)—Al-
though King Alfonso of Spain was
one of the victims of the influenza
epidemic in 1893 and again this summer,
Spanish authorities repudiate any
claim to influenza as a "Spanish" dis-
ease. If the people of this country do
not take care the epidemic will be-
come so widespread throughout the
United States that soon we shall hear
the disease called "American" influ-
enza.

In response to a request for definite
information concerning Spanish influ-
enza, Surgeon General Rupert Blue of
the U. S. Public Health Service has
authorized the following official inter-
view:

What is Spanish influenza? Is it
something new? Does it come from
Spain?

"The disease now occurring in this
country and called 'Spanish Influenza'
resembles a very contagious kind
of 'cold,' accompanied by fever, pains

**Coughs and Sneezes
Spread Diseases**



As Dangerous as Poison Gas Shells

in the head, eyes, ears, back or other
parts of the body and a feeling of se-
vere sickness. In most of the cases the
symptoms disappear after three or four
days; the patient then rapidly recover-
ing. Some of the patients, however,
develop pneumonia, or inflammation
of the ear, or meningitis, and many of
these complicated cases die. Whether
this so-called 'Spanish' influenza is
identical with the epidemics of influ-
enza of earlier years is not yet known.

"Epidemics of influenza have visited
this country since 1847. It is interest-
ing to know that this first epidemic
was brought here from Valencia, Spain.
Since that time there have been
numerous epidemics of the dis-
ease. In 1889 and 1890 an epidemic
of influenza, starting somewhere in the
Orient, spread first to Russia and
thence over practically the entire civ-
ilized world. Three years later there
was another flare-up of the disease.
Both times the epidemic spread wide-
ly over the United States.

"Although the present epidemic is
called 'Spanish influenza,' there is no
reason to believe that it originated in
Spain. Some writers who have studied
the question believe that the epidemic
came from the Orient and they call at-
tention to the fact that the Germans
mention the disease as occurring along
the eastern front in the summer and
fall of 1917."

How can "Spanish influenza" be re-
cognized?

"There is as yet no certain way in
which a single case of 'Spanish influ-
enza' can be recognized. On the other
hand, recognition is easy where
there is a group of cases. In contrast
to the outbreaks of ordinary coughs
and colds, which usually occur in the
cold months, epidemics of influenza
may occur at any season of the year.
Thus the present epidemic raged most
intensely in Europe in May, June and
July. Moreover, in the case of ordi-
nary colds, the general symptoms
(fever, pain, depression) are by no
means as severe or as sudden in their
onset as they are in influenza. Final-
ly, ordinary colds do not spread
through the community so rapidly or
so extensively as does influenza.

"In most cases a person taken sick
with influenza feels sick rather sud-
denly. He feels weak, has pains in the
eyes, ears, head or back, and may be
sore all over. Many patients feel
dizzy, some vomit. Most of the pa-
tients complain of feeling chilly, and
with this comes a fever in which the
temperature rises to 100 to 104. In
most cases the pulse remains relative-
ly slow.

"In appearance one is struck by the
fact that the patient looks sick. His
eyes and the inner side of his eyelids
may be slightly 'bloodshot,' or 'con-
gested,' as the doctors say. There
may be running from the nose, or
there may be some cough. These signs
of a cold may not be marked; never-
theless the patient looks and feels very
sick.

"In addition to the appearance and
the symptoms as already described

that in this disease the number of
white corpuscles shows little or no in-
crease above the normal. It is possi-
ble that the laboratory investigations
now being made through the National
Research Council and the United
States Hygienic Laboratory will fur-
nish a more certain way in which in-
dividual cases of this disease can be
recognized."

What is the course of the disease?
Do people die of it?

"Ordinarily, the fever lasts from
three to four days and the patient re-
covers. But while the proportion of
deaths in the present epidemic has
generally been low, in some places the
outbreak has been severe and deaths
have been numerous. When death oc-
curs it is usually the result of a com-
plication."

What causes the disease and how is
it spread?

"Bacteriologists who have studied in-
fluenza epidemics in the past have
found in many of the cases a very
small rod-shaped germ called, after its
discoverer, Pfeiffer's bacillus. In other
cases of apparently the same kind of
disease there were found pneumococci,
the germs of lobar pneumonia. Still
others have been caused by strepto-
cocci, and by others germs with long
filaments.

"No matter what particular kind of
germ causes the epidemic, it is now
believed that influenza is always
spread from person to person, the
germs being carried with the air along
with the very small droplets of mucus,
expelled by coughing or sneezing,
forceful talking, and the like by one
who already has the germs of the dis-
ease. They may also be carried about
in the air in the form of dust coming
from dried mucus, from coughing and
sneezing, or from careless people who
spit on the floor and on the sidewalk.
As in most other catching diseases, a
person who has only a mild attack of
the disease himself may give a very
severe attack to others."

What should be done by those who
catch the disease?

"It is very important that every per-
son who becomes sick with influenza
should go home at once and go to bed.
This will help keep away dangerous
complications and will, at the same
time, keep the patient from scatter-
ing the disease far and wide. It is
highly desirable that no one be allowed
to sleep in the same room with the
patient. In fact, no one but the nurse
should be allowed in the room.

"If there is cough and sputum or
running of the eyes and nose, care
should be taken that all such dis-
charges are collected on bits of gauze
or rag or paper napkins and burned.
If the patient complains of fever and
headache, he should be given water to
drink, a cold compress to the forehead
and a light sponge. Only such medi-
cine should be given as is prescribed
by the doctor. It is foolish to ask the
druggist to prescribe and may be dan-
gerous to take the so-called 'safe, sure
and harmless' remedies advertised by
patent medicine manufacturers.

"If the patient is so situated that he
cannot be attended to by some one who
must also look after others in the fam-
ily, it is advisable that such attendant
wear a wrapper, apron or gown over
the ordinary house clothes while in
the sick room and slip this off when leav-
ing to look after the others.

"Nurses and attendants will do well
to guard against breathing in danger-
ous disease germs by wearing a simple
fold of gauze or mask while near the
patient."

Will a person who has had influenza
before catch the disease again?

"It is well known that an attack of
measles or scarlet fever or smallpox
usually protects a person against an-
other attack of the same disease. This
appears not to be true of 'Spanish in-
fluenza.' According to newspaper re-
ports the King of Spain suffered an
attack of influenza during the epi-
demic thirty years ago, and was again
stricken during the recent outbreak in
Spain."

How can one guard against influ-
enza?

"In guarding against disease of all
kinds, it is important that the body be
kept strong and able to fight off dis-
ease germs. This can be done by hav-
ing a proper proportion of work, play
and rest, by keeping the body well
clothed, and by eating sufficient whole-
some and properly selected food. In
connection with diet, it is well to re-
member that milk is one of the best
all-around foods obtainable for adults
as well as children. So far as a dis-
ease like influenza is concerned, health
authorities everywhere recognize the
very close relation between its spread
and overcrowded homes. While it is
not always possible, especially in
times like the present, to avoid such
overcrowding, people should consider
the health danger and make every
effort to reduce the home overcrowd-
ing to a minimum. The value of fresh
air through open windows cannot be
over emphasized.

"When crowding is unavoidable, as
in street cars, care should be taken to
keep the face so turned as not to in-
hale directly the air breathed out by
another person.

"It is especially important to be-
ware of the person who coughs or
sneezes without covering his mouth
and nose. It also follows that one
should keep out of crowds and stuffy
places as much as possible, keep
homes, offices and workshops well
aired, spend some time out of doors
each day, walk to work if at all prac-
ticable—in short, make every possible
effort to breathe as much pure air as
possible.

"In all health matters follow the ad-
vice of your doctor and obey the regu-
lations of your local and state health
officers.

"Cover up each cough and sneeze,
'If you don't you'll spread disease.'"

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

By virtue of an Order of Sale issued
out of the Honorable District Court of
Midland County on the 2nd day of
October, A. D. 1918, in the case of J.
M. Jemison versus R. W. Garner and
S. E. Cole, No. 1487, and to me, as
sheriff, directed and delivered, I have
seized upon this 2nd day of October,
A. D. 1918, and will, between the
hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 4 o'clock
P. M., on the first Tuesday in Novem-
ber, A. D. 1918, it being the 5th day
of said month, at the court house
door of said Midland County, in the
town of Midland, Texas, proceed to
sell at public auction to the highest
bidder, for cash in hand, all the right,
title and interest which R. W. Garner
and S. E. Cole had on the 3rd day of
September, A. D. 1918, or at any time
thereafter, of, in and to the following
described property, to-wit:

All of lot number twelve (12) in
block number forty (40), in the orig-
inal town of Midland, Midland Coun-
ty, Texas, said property being levied
upon as the property of R. W. Garner
and S. E. Cole to satisfy a judgment
amounting to \$796.95 in favor of J.
M. Jemison and costs of suit.

Given under my hand this 2nd day
of October, A. D. 1918.

W. E. BRADFORD,
1-3t Sheriff Midland County, Texas.
—Pay The President—

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

By virtue of an Order of Sale issued
out of the Honorable District Court of
Midland County, on the 2nd day of
October, A. D. 1918, in the case of
Midland National Bank, a corporation,
versus R. E. H. Morgan, No. 1479,
and to me, as sheriff, directed and del-
ivered, I have seized upon this 2nd
day of October, A. D. 1918, and will,
between the hours of 10 o'clock A.
M. and 4 o'clock P. M., on the first
Tuesday in November, A. D. 1918, it
being the 11th day of said month, at
the court house door of said Midland
County, in the town of Midland, pro-
ceed to sell at public auction to the
highest bidder, for cash in hand, all
the right, title and interest which R.
E. H. Morgan had on the 4th day of
September, A. D. 1918, or at any time
thereafter, of, in and to the following
described property, to-wit:

The north one-half of the southeast
quarter of the 22nd section, thirty-
six (36), block forty (40), Township 1-
North, situated in the Counties of
Midland and Andrews, State of Texas,
said property levied upon as the prop-
erty of R. E. H. Morgan to satisfy a
judgment amounting to \$577.00 in fa-
vor of Midland National Bank and
costs of suit.

Given under my hand this 2nd day
of October, A. D. 1918.

W. E. BRADFORD,
1-3t Sheriff Midland County, Texas.
—Pay The President—

SHERIFF'S SALE

The State of Texas,
County of Midland.

Notice is hereby given that by vir-
tue of a certain Order of Sale issued
out of the Honorable District Court
of Midland County, on the 2nd day of
October, 1918, by W. J. Sparks, Clerk
of said District Court, for the sum
of Five Thousand Three Hundred Fift-
y-eight and 4-100 Dollars and costs
of suit under a certain judgment in
favor of the Midland National Bank,
of Midland, Texas, in a certain cause
in said court No. 1478, and styled Mid-
land National Bank, of Midland, Texas,
vs. Midland Fair and Interstate
Stock Show, B. C. Girdley, R. E. H.
Morgan, Ben F. Whitfield, D. W.
Brunson, Geo. D. Elliott, H. M. Ram-
say, G. F. Cowden, F. F. Elkin, Jno.
Scharbauer and Henry M. Haiff, and
placed in my hands for service, I, W.
E. Bradford, Sheriff of Midland Coun-
ty, Texas, did on the 2nd day of Oc-
tober, 1918, levy upon certain real es-
tate situated in Midland County, Tex-
as, described as follows, to-wit:

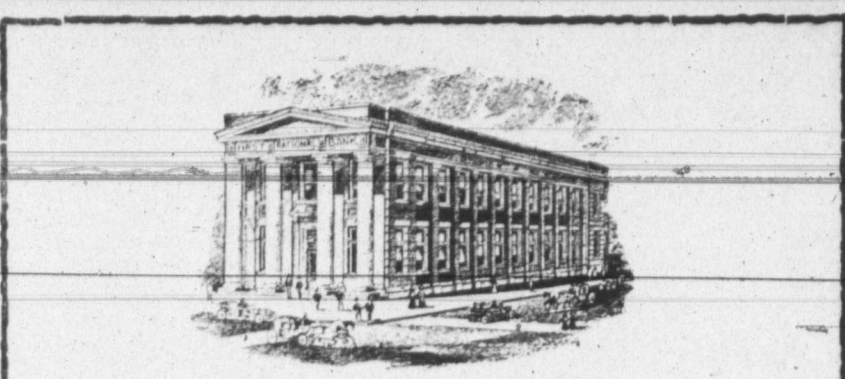
The N. E. 1-2 of the N. E. 1-4 of the
S. E. 1-4 of Section 3, Block 39, Town-
ship 2-South, Certificate 3359, Texas &
Pacific Railway Company, in Midland
County, Texas, containing 20 acres
of land.

Also the N. E. 1-4 of the N. W. 1-4
of the S. E. 1-4 of said Section No. 3,
Block 39, Township No. 2-South, Cer-
tificate No. 3359, Texas & Pacific
Railway Company, in Midland County,
Texas, containing 10 acres of land;
and levied upon as the property of
Midland Fair & Interstate Stock
Show, and that on the first Tuesday
in November, 1918, the same being
the 5th day of said month, at the
court house door of Midland County,
in the town of Midland, Texas, be-
tween the hours of 10 o'clock A. M.
and 4 o'clock P. M., by virtue of said
levy and said order of sale, I will
sell the said above described real es-
tate at public vendue, for cash, to
the highest bidder, as the property of
the said Midland Fair & Interstate
Stock Show.

And in compliance with law, I give
notice by publication in the English
language once a week for three con-
secutive weeks immediately preceding
said day of sale, in The Midland Re-
porter, a newspaper published in Mid-
land County.

Witness my hand this 4th day of
October, 1918. W. E. BRADFORD,
1-3t Sheriff Midland County, Texas.
—Pay The President—

Can Now Eat and Sleep in Comfort
If troubled with indigestion or
sleeplessness you should read what
Miss Agnes Turner, Chicago, Ill., has
to say: "Overwork, irregular meals
and carelessness regarding the ordi-
nary rules of health, gradually un-
dermined it until last fall I became a
wreck of my former self. I suffered
from continual headache, was unable
to digest my food, which seemed to
lay as a dead weight on my stomach.
I was very constipated and my com-
plexion became dark, yellow and mud-
dy, and I would awake as tired as
when I went to sleep. I heard of
Chamberlain's Tablets and found
such relief after taking them that I
kept up the treatment for nearly two
months. They cleansed my stomach,
invigorated my system, and since that
time I can eat and sleep in comfort.
I am today entirely well." For sale by
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large task of justly aiding to the uttermost limit its
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FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF MIDLAND, TEXAS

Notice of Trustee's Sale
The State of Texas,
County of Midland.

Whereas, by virtue of authority
vested in me as trustee named and ap-
pointed in a certain deed of trust re-
corded in Volume 4, pages 531-534, in-
clusive, Deed of Trust Records of Mid-
land County, Texas, and also recorded
in the Deed of Trust Records of Ec-
tor County, Texas, executed and deliv-
ered to me on the 1st day of July, 1914
by Henry R. Houston, for better se-
curing the payment of five certain pro-
missory notes of \$400.00 each, more
fully described in the deed of trust
executed by the said Henry R. Hous-
ton, payable to the order of Midland
Farms Company, a corporation, duly
incorporated under the laws of the
State of Texas, at Midland, Texas, due
on the first day of July of 1916, 1916,
1917, 1918 and 1919, respectively, each
bearing 6 per cent interest per an-
num from date until paid, interest
payable annually, both principal and
past due interest to bear interest from
maturity until paid at the rate of 7
per cent per annum, and provided that
failure to pay any of said series of
notes or any installment of interest
thereon when due or to faithfully ac-
complish and perform the covenants and
agreement in said deed of trust, shall at
the option of the holder of any note of
said series fully mature all of said
notes, and providing for the usual at-
torney's fees clause; the said notes
being given as part of purchase money
for the following described land:

The northeast 1-4 of Survey No.
One (1), Block No. Forty-one (41),
Township 1-south, Texas, and Pacific
Railway Company Original Grantee,
containing 160 acres of land, in Ector
and Midland counties, Texas.

And, whereas, the said Midland
Farms Company is the holder and
owner of said notes and the said Hen-
ry R. Houston has made default in
the payment of the fourth of said
series of notes above described, the
same being due on the first day of Ju-
ly, A. D. 1918, and the same being
now past due and unpaid, the said
Midland Farms Company has declared
each of said notes and all of said
indebtedness immediately due and ma-
ture and heretofore so notified the said
Henry R. Houston in writing.

And whereas, each of said notes are
past due and unpaid now aggregat-
ing principal, interest and attorney's
fees about \$1100.00.

And whereas, I have been requested
by the said Midland Farms Co. to en-
force said trust. I will offer for sale
between the legal hours thereof to-wit,
between the hours of ten o'clock A. M.
and 4 o'clock P. M., at public auction
to the highest bidder on the first Tues-
day in November, A. D. 1918, the
same being the 5th day of November,
1918, at the court house door in the
town of Midland in Midland County,
Texas, the following described prop-
erty, to-wit:

The northeast 1-4 of Survey No.

F. L. L. MARNEY, D. V. S., U. E. MARNEY, D. V. M.,
President Sec.-Treas.

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FOR SALE—Almost new 4-burner oil range, a windmill and tower, and a good milch cow. Mrs. V. R. Dockray. 2-2t

FOR SALE—Two Shetland mares, one with young colt. Also one Shetland horse. All well broken. Wic-H Curtis. 2-2tpd

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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

LOST AND FOUND

FOUND—Lady's skirt. Owner may recover by calling at The Reporter office and paying 25 cents for this notice.

LOST—One lady's watch, Waltham movement. Lost between Garden City and Andrews. Send to W. N. Johnson, Lovington, N. M., and get reward.

WANTED—A girl to assist in the dining room and kitchen at Midland College. Phone 35-e, or call at the College. J. H. Wilhite. 21f

NOTICE IN PROBATE

The State of Texas.
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Midland County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be posted for ten days and published as required by law, exclusive of the day of posting, and of the day of publishing, before the return day hereof, said posting to be at three of the most public places of Midland County, Texas, one of which shall be at the court house door, and no two of which shall be in the same city or town, said publication to be made in some newspaper published in Midland County, Texas, copies of the following notice:

The State of Texas.
To all persons interested in the estate of Oran Edwards, deceased: Wesley Edwards, Charles Edwards and John Edwards have filed in the County Court of Midland County an application for the probate of the last will and testament of said Oran Edwards, deceased, filed with and application, and for letters testamentary of the estate of Oran Edwards, deceased, which will be heard at the next term of said court, commencing on the second Monday in November, A. D. 1918, the same being the 11th day of November, A. D. 1918, at the court house thereof in Midland, Texas, at which time all persons interested in said estate may appear and contest said application should they desire to do so.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court on the said first day of the next term thereof this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court at my office in Midland, Texas, on this 16th day of October, A. D. 1918.

W. J. SPARKS,
Clerk County Court, Midland County, Texas.
Issued October 16th, A. D. 1918.

W. J. SPARKS,
County Clerk, Midland County, Texas.
Adv. 2-2t

GOOD CAUSE FOR ALARM

LETTERS FROM OUR SOLDIER BOYS

SOCIETY

By L. G. W., Phone 88

From Lieut. Epley.
Upon his arrival in France, or soon after, Lieutenant J. H. Epley wired his father: "Comfortably situated, well and happy." Prior to the telegram, and while yet at sea, he wrote the following interesting letter:

At Sea, Sept. 15, 1918.
My Dear Home Folks:
Guess you think you are a long time hearing from me, but you can see from this date how long it has been since we left camp. We expect to land tomorrow and then my "safe arrival card" will be mailed to you from the U. S. side.

I wish I could tell you all about our trip, but of course my letters will all be governed by censorship rules from now on so I will not be able to say much.
I am feeling fine and only had a slight touch of sea-sickness, just enough to cause me to miss one meal. Some, however, have been sick all the way across. I will be mighty glad, though, to step on land again. I would never make a good sailor. Really, I think I can appreciate sandwiches now when I get back to them. The officers have been well cared for, though coming over two of us were assigned to a stateroom, with a colored servant to each room. I guess we will be spoiled for a few days after we land.

We will land in England and, I suppose, will go in training there. If not, we will go in training in France. We have had a very pleasant trip; a storm, but not a bad one; quite a bit of fog and rain, and no submarine—yet. I saw a whale one morning, so we have had most all the experiences except the unpleasant ones. We were fortunate in that the band is on our ship. They have furnished us a lot of pleasure. There are also a bunch of Red Cross girls on our boat. Most of the girls are going over to do canteen work. They deserve a lot of commendation, but I think their work will be mighty hard. We have some Y. M. C. A. secretaries with us, also.

Our men have stood the trip fine, although they are pretty well crowded down in the hold of the ship. We all become lazy and soft through lack of exercise, but suppose it will be our last chance to be lazy for quite a while.
Our ship captain is a grand old man and has certainly been on the job all the way. I have felt perfectly safe with him and with our other protection. I have never felt a minute's uneasiness on account of "ubs and you can rest assured the U. S. and her allies are looking out for the safe conduct of soldiers over the seas.

I have heard of a lot of delay in mail going across, so if you do not hear from me regularly you may know that I am all right, for you are sure to be notified by Uncle Sam if anything happens to me. I am hoping that I will have some mail waiting for me when I land. It seems now that it has been a long time since I heard from you.
We get the news every day by wireless and it has been worth a great deal.

This is a hard way to write because everything that I want to write and is of interest is barred by censorship rules. The mail of men of the company is censored by an officer of the company. Officers' mail is censored by the base censor only, and sometimes not at all, but of course it is a matter of honor even if not censored.

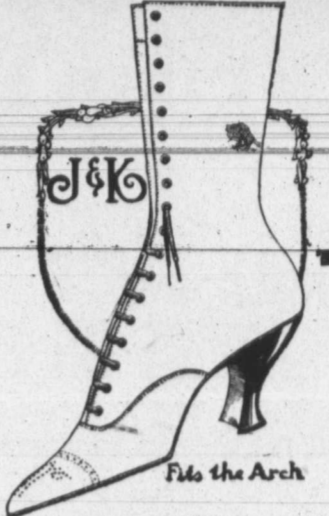
If you know of any Midland boys in England send me their addresses. Well, I must quit and pack up. Write when you can.
JAMES H. EPLEY,
First Lieut. Co. F, 34th Inf., American Ex. Forces, via New York.

From Sgt. Clarence Crowley
France, Sept. 11

Dear Father:
How are you by this time? I am well and enjoying life as much as possible to be in the army. I am stationed within about four miles of the front. We have some rather exciting times around here at night with gas and stray shells. Although none of my company has been hurt so far. I have been shipping horses back to the hospitals for the past week. It is sure some experience to go through with when you can't talk the French language. About all you can do is take what you want and go ahead. Believe me, we sure have lots of rain over here. It has been raining for a week without stopping. The mud and water is so deep around camp that one bogs down every time he takes a step.

How are the rest of the boys? Have any of them been drafted yet? I saw a lot of boys from Midland, Big Spring and Sweetwater the other day.
I have a bank account at the Virginia National Bank of \$80.00 and also have made an allotment out of each month's salary of \$35.00 to be deposited in the same bank. So if anything should happen to me that prevents my getting back to the States you can notify the bank and collect what money I have there. Be sure to write sister that I am all O. K., and that my commanding officer is a real daddy to all of us boys.
I am anticipating an early reply for I haven't had a letter from the States since I landed.
Lovingly, your son,
CLARENCE CROWLEY,
Army Mobile Vet. Hospital No. 1, First Army Corps, Am. Exp. Forces, Am. P. O. No. 759, via New York.

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sition; unselfish, agreeable, sweet spirited, he was deservingly a favorite if he had an enemy no one seems to wish his friends and associates. And know it.

"His godly training in the home largely shaped his character and influenced his life. Some years ago he professed faith in Christ and surrendered his young life to the service of God and all need the means of grace of the genuineness of his spiritual life. He never united with the church. He had a most profound regard for the church and no doubt intended to at some time become a member. But, while the church is of God and all need the means of grace which it alone affords, and the importance of church membership should not be despised, yet, church membership is not the condition of salvation. The God of the church is infinitely greater than the church. God is able to save men out of the church. Jesus the Christ is able to save the uttermost all who come to God by him." Every soldier or sailor boy, every soul who by repentance and faith turns to God through Jesus Christ, receives the welcome hand and saving grace of Jesus Christ our Lord.

"It seems sad that a young man so clean and lovable in his life should have a life so brief. It is especially sad that the brave and manly young soldier who had consecrated his life to his country's cause and who was so anxious to cross the seas and actively engage in the struggle against the enemy of his country, should be claimed by the messenger of death before reaching the battle field. But his death was as truly heroic as if he had fallen before the enemy's guns, and his reward as great. God has taken the soul of the consecrated young soldier to himself. He will be sadly missed among us, but he leaves a pleasant and sacred memory. His battles are fought, his victory won. He has received an honorable discharge and gone to eternal rest. Peaceful be his rest, 'til the resurrection morning, when our Lord shall come to gather his own to everlasting life, when we look for a sweet reunion with the soldier boys, where everlasting peace abounds, where wars can never come, where

"Sickness and sorrow, pain and death Are felt and feared no more."

"Devoted son, kind and affectionate brother, faithful friend, companionable comrade, true patriot, brave soldier, noble soul of heroic mould, in meek submission to the divine will we yield thee up and say farewell for a while, with the hope of meeting again in the City Eternal."

John Collins was reported quite ill of influenza at Fort Bliss. His father, J. P. Collins, went to him the first of the week, and Mrs. Collins phoned us this morning that John is getting along all right, is able to be up.

EPIDEMIC INFLUENZA HAS IN NO WISE ABATED

It is estimated that there are in the neighborhood of 160 cases of influenza in Midland, none of which seem in a critical condition. The epidemic, the doctors report, has not

abated, there being several new cases this morning, and it is expected that no public gatherings will be held until the matter is more in hand.
—Pay The President—

Our old friend, Frank Hardin, was with us again the first of the week from his ranch near Knowles, N. M.

Let the Kaiser Live

As long as the flowers their perfume give,
So long I'd let the kaiser live.
Live and live for a million years
With nothing to drink but Belgian tears—
With nothing to quench his awful thirst
But the salted brine of a Scotchman's curse.

I would let him live on a dinner each day,
Served from silver on a golden tray;
Served with things both dainty and sweet—
Served with everything but things to eat.

I would make him a bed of silken sheen,
With costly linens to lie between;
With covers of down, and fillets of lace,
And downy pillows piled in place;
Yet when to its comforts he would yield,
It would stink with the rot of the battlefield,
And blood and brains and bones of men
Should cover him, smother him, and then—

His pillow should cling with the rotten clay—
Clay from the grave of a soldier boy;
And while God's stars their vigils keep,
And while the waves the white sands sweep,
He should never, never sleep,
And thru all the days, thru all the years,
There should be an anthem in his ears;
Ringing and singing and never done
From the edge of light to the set of sun,
Moaning and moaning and moaning wild,
A ravaged French girl's bastard child.

And I'd build him a castle by the sea,
As lovely a castle as ever could be,
Then I'd show him a ship from over the sea,
As fine a ship as ever could be;
Laden with water, cold and sweet,
Laden with everything good to eat.
Yet scarce does he touch the silvered sands,
Scarce may he reach out his eager hands—
Than a hot and hellish molten shell
Should change his Heaven into Hell;
And tho' he'd watch by the wave-swept shore
Our Lusitania would rise no more.

No Man's Land, where the Irish fell
I'd sard the kaiser a private Hell.
I'd jab him, stab him, give him gas,
And in each wound I'd pour ground glass;
I'd march him out where the brave boys died,
Out past the lads he crucified.

In the fearful gloom of his living tomb
There's one thing I'd do before I was thru—
I'd make him sing in a stirring manner
The wonderful words of the "Star Spangled Banner."

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