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FRENCH MISS WHO KNOWS MIDLAND BOY

Miss Beulah Taylor is in Receipt of Second Letter From Young Lady in Redon, France.

Our young townsman, Arthur Taylor, in France, has evidently made friends to comfort him in his absence, and we imagine his lot is not at all bad. A letter received recently by his sister, Miss Beulah, from a French lass, it being the second, is further evidence that all our American boys find friends among the French, who are grateful. The letter was written in French and the translation is due to the cleverness of Miss Mary Barron. It follows herewith:

Redon, France, Nov. 3, 1918.

Dear Beulah:

I received your letter this morning, which we have read with very much pleasure, to myself and my parents.

We saw Arthur yesterday. He was in very good health. We invited him to eat this evening. He is going to be very happy that we have received your letter.

You ask if he was wounded would we write you. You may be sure, if such should happen, we will write you, but that would be very extraordinary for he is not in danger while he is here, very far from the front.

He makes the drive in an automobile from the port where the Americans get off to a camp.

I am going to tell him to send you some pictures of our country.

Not knowing how to write very well in English, I prefer to write you in French, because there is a lady who will translate for you a letter.

I hope as you do that the war will end soon and our soldiers will return; but my brother is in great danger.

He has been in Bulgaria for 15 months and does not think he can come home on a furlough. He has been in the war three years and has never been wounded.

I had a brother who was killed in an accident by a horse. He was 15 years old.

We will regret very much when the Americans leave, for we love them very much and do everything possible to make them happy. If the war ends and we are victorious (which is certain) we will thank America for it, for if she had not come to the rescue of France perhaps now we would be slaves of the Germans. We honor the Americans very much and never shall we forget them.

I would like very much to know you. I hope you will come to France some time. As for myself, if I go to America (unhappily I do not see it) I would go to see you and thank you for all America that she so generously came to fight, side by side with our soldiers against Germany.

If you have anything to send to Arthur, send it to us and we will send it to him. Do not worry about him. He is very friendly, as all the Americans, and we always do for him as for our own brother.

It is true that he always calls me his French sister, and he is my American brother. He is always a very welcome boy. Physically he resembles a little my own brother, so much so that we often call him by brother's name, Francis, in French, or Frank, in English.

I await impatiently your letter, and will you present to your entire family my sincere love and that of my parents. I shall not forget to give your love to Arthur, who always talks to us of you and shows us your pictures.

Your affectionate friend, who thinks of you,

JEANNE COCHAIS.

Pay The President

SUNDAY AT THE CHURCHES

Christian Church

Bible school meets at 9:45. Preaching at 11 in the morning and 7 in the evening. Special C. W. B. M. sermon in the morning and the subject at night, "If a Man Die, Shall He Live Again?" or "Is there a Future Life?" All are cordially invited to hear these sermons. Special music. J. T. McKEISSICK, Minister.

Presbyterian Church

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock. W. H. FOSTER, Pastor.

Women's Missionary Society

Program for Monday, December 9: Leader—Mrs. E. R. Bryan. Subject—Sabbath Observance. Bible Lesson—The Attitude of Jesus Toward Works of Necessity. Hymn. Prayer. War Work and the Sabbath—Mrs. Holt.

Sunday Observance in Brazil—Mrs. Thos. Holcomb. The War-time Canadian Sunday—Mrs. Theo. Ray. President Wilson's Sunday Observance Ordinance—Mrs. Collins. The Effect of War on Sabbath Observance in Our Country—Mrs. W. H. Brunson.

Report of Officers. General Business. Election of officers for the year. A full attendance is desired. ETHEL MOORE, Sec'y.

TOM CUMMINS DIED LAST SATURDAY NIGHT

Influenza and complications of pneumonia claimed another victim last Sunday night, and it is sad to chronicle the death of Tom Cummins, a faithful employe of the Scharbauer Cattle Company. Mr. Cummins was 35 years of age and leaves a wife and six small children. The remains were shipped Tuesday to Winters, his old home. Those who knew Mr. Cummins report that he was a faithful worker and dependable in all things, as proven by three years of fully satisfactory service to his last employers. The Reporter joins our community in an expression of deep sympathy to the bereaved.

DICKSON BROTHERS HERE LOOKING FOR GRASS

Sam and Lee Dickson have been here this week from Olton, Texas, looking for winter pasturage for their cattle. We did not learn definitely whether or not they succeeded in getting what they wanted. These brothers are former citizens of Midland, having left here only a few years ago.

Special Notice

All those who are indebted to Dr. J. F. Haley are requested to call at the Midland Hardware Company and settle. The Doctor is quite ill, seriously so, in Temple, and it is imperative that his accounts be settled without delay.

JNO. A. HALEY.

Pay The President

J. A. Robinson left Monday for St. Louis, where he will make his annual visit to the undertaking supply house, which he represents. He will probably be gone until after Christmas.

Card of Thanks.

In our deep sorrow, our irreparable loss of wife, mother, and daughter, yet do we remember, in deepest gratitude, those friends who so remembered us and who so ministered to and sympathized with us in our recent time of trial. God bless these friends and neighbors is our earnest prayer.

C. T. Allen and Children, L. B. Elam and Family.

Pay The President

If that hat you want needs any change, Miss Clark will be glad to do it for you. Everybody's.

Our old friend and townsman, J. W. Bullock, returned last Friday from an extended visit to his old home at Mt. Vernon, Ill. He spent the summer there very pleasantly, and profitably, too, and is home again to spend the winter.

Pay The President

Just arrived at Everybody's some beautiful new suits for men. Not a chance to get in the army now. What about that suit—ou have been putting off buying? Civilian clothes are once more becoming popular. See the beautiful new line of suits just arrived.—Everybody's.

MRS. CHAS. T. ALLEN DIED LAST MONDAY

Funeral Services at the Family Residence Wednesday Morning Attended By Many Friends

It was hoped, and for weeks thought, that the epidemic of influenza would not be visited upon Midland with fatal results, but, alas, it was not to be. Lately the disease has assumed a more virulent form and, however much saddened, it occasions no very great surprise when the report comes that another has become the victim of the dread malady. No more sad news has come than that of the death of Mrs. Chas. Lula Mae Allen, beloved wife of our young townsman, Chas. T. Allen, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Elam, which occurred last Monday morning at an early hour. She suffered of influenza, followed by complications and pneumonia.

Mrs. Allen was but approaching 34 years of age, and death came to her when life was but its sunniest, when happiest in the love of husband and three bright children, just reaching the age when they were dearest and most interesting—a little girl and two little boys. In her death Midland's profoundest sorrow was awakened, and we all sympathize most deeply with the bereaved husband, children and parents.

Wednesday morning at 10:30 the funeral took place at the family residence, conducted by the Methodist pastor, Rev. J. G. Forester, and a large crowd of sorrowing and sympathetic friends followed the remains to the cemetery.

A devoted wife and mother, fond daughter, and consecrated Christian, a warm and sympathetic friend and neighbor, the words chronicling her death are all too insufficient.

There is, though, to the bereaved loved ones the healing grace of Him who gave, and in His wisdom, hath taken away, and it is all sufficient. Peace, then, and comfort to those who are so sorely tried.

Kaufman County Clerk DIED OF INFLUENZA

We note in the last issue of the Kaufman Herald the death of Jim T. Boggs, county clerk of Kaufman county. The deceased was a brother-in-law of Mrs. J. M. Flanagan, of Midland, and The Reporter joins other friends in an expression of sympathy.

We are very glad to welcome the return of R. J. Compton and wife, who, since leaving Midland four or five years ago, have lived in Big Spring. Mr. Compton returns to take charge of the Midland Telephone Company, as manager, in the place of C. L. Kuykendall, who will leave shortly for the oil fields at Wichita Falls.

Pay The President

What about a new hat for Christmas? There are some real bargains at Everybody's.

TO KEEP MIDLAND MONEY AT HOME

Land Commissioner Writes That No Forfeitures Will Be Made Before Next Year.

The following letter has recently been addressed to the Midland National Bank, and over the signature of J. T. Robison, State land commissioner: "This is in reply to yours of the 17th inst. The joint resolution of the Legislature, extending the time for payment of interest on school land, applies to interest due Nov. 1st, 1916, 1917, and 1918, and provides that no forfeitures be taken before August 1st, 1919."

We have it authoritatively that a further extension of time, after August 1st, 1919, is optional with the land commissioner, and that every possible assistance will be given those who may be pressed for money on account of the recent drought, now broken. This affords, then, an opportunity to keep much money at home that otherwise would have to go out on land interest.

And the money should be kept at home, in most instances, for the reason that the many drains, occasioned by war funds and contributions, have largely depleted our banks and the moneys on hand are barely sufficient to enable Midland to operate on a normal scale during the coming time of promising prosperity.

This matter is most important, and we hope our people may use good judgment in releasing their funds between now and the time set for forfeitures.

BRAMA STEER THAT PROVED A SURPRISE

Gene Cowden was recounting a surprise, the other day, that came through a 3-year-old Brahma steer that "grew up" in his pasture. He didn't think the animal fat, but when he shipped a bunch of stuff, some four weeks ago, this steer was included. Shortly before shipment, however, he was offered \$75 for the animal, but thought he ought to have \$80. He struck the bad market of four weeks ago, but the steer tipped off over 1100 pounds, brought 13 cents, or \$144. He was some surprise, but, it is said, those Brahma cattle are full of that sort of surprises.

Mr. and Mrs. West Aycock left Wednesday of last week for Temple, where on Saturday Mr. Aycock sustained an operation for appendicitis. The Reporter, with many friends, rejoices that the young man is getting along nicely with every promise of a speedy restoration to health.

"Uncle Henry" Wolcott returned last Sunday from a visit to Lubbock. Reports heavy snow and good seasons in the ground all the way up there and beyond.

Mrs. T. R. Outterside, of Texas City, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. W. K. Sinclair.

URGE ALL TO DO EARLY XMAS SHOPPING

Last week Wadley-Patterson Company started their Christmas advertising with a page of suggestive matter, urging not only that all do their Christmas shopping early, but to make this such a practical Christmas as never known before. It is a wise suggestion, and again this week they have a page, urging the same thoughts of practical economy. We call particular attention to this advertisement, as well as others, and as do they, urge that our people give practical gifts, such as your friends can make personal use of. Do this and it will not be long before you fully recognize the wisdom of the suggestion.

SOCIETY

By L. G. W., Phone 88

Mrs. John Halev received a telegram Monday announcing the death of her nephew, Lieutenant Carl Grimes, of Miles. Thus another beautiful young life has fallen upon the field of honor; another twinkling golden star is placed upon the service flag in another desolated home. The following clipping from the Belton paper tells the sorrowful story:

Belton, Nov. 29.—Attorney J. H. Evetts received a communication this morning from his sister, Mrs. Bob Grimes of Miles, telling of the death of her son, Lieutenant Carl A. Grimes, which occurred in France on October 6, resulting from an airplane accident. Lieutenant Grimes had visited in Belton frequently, the guest of Mr. Evetts, who is his uncle. He was reared at Moffatt, and received a part of his education in a military school in Mexico. At the outbreak of the war he was a stock farmer and ranchman of Miles, Texas, but after the United States entered the fight he volunteered in the aviation corps, and had been in France many months prior to his death. He was an instructor in France, and in a letter to the Evetts family written on the 5th of October, one day before his death, told of his work there, saying that when the student aviators had finished their fundamental instruction they were sent to him, who with five others, gave them instructions as to how best to attack enemy planes, make their dives, etc., and selected the particular planes for each aviator. Lieut. Grimes was 26 years old, the oldest child of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Grimes. His only sister is at present doing government work in Washington, and the only brother lives at Miles. Mr. Evetts left this afternoon for Miles to be with his sister during her bereavement.

Dr. Haley's Condition Grave.

Many friends are deeply solicitous over the condition of Dr. J. F. Haley, who continues critically ill at the Scott, Sherwood & Brindley Sanitarium in Temple, where he was taken nearly three weeks ago when he first suffered his collapse. Expert diag-

OUR TOWNSMEN IN BURKBURNETT FIELD

Sam Preston, Secretary and Treasurer of Company Operating in Center of Production

The following statement is taken from last Sunday's issue of the Wichita News-Tribune:

"The Burk Burnett-Midland Oil Co. has been organized with a capital of \$50,000. It holds five acres southwest of the big Abner Davis well, between the Burk Burnett pool and the Burk Burnett field, and will begin drilling just as soon as the material arrives. The officers and directors are: S. L. McDonald, of Wichita Falls, president; Sam Preston, of Midland, secretary and treasurer; J. W. Richards, of Stanton, and J. A. Eichelberger of Midland. The Burk Burnett-Midland holdings are conceded by experienced oil men to be quite attractive."

The above excerpt shows two of our townsmen and one prominent citizen of Stanton in the oil game in the Burk Burnett field. Sam Preston returned from the field this week and he remarked to us: "I believe we have a splendid proposition, as safe as anything that has been proposed in oil speculation in Texas; otherwise I should not offer it to my friends. As sure as I believe it is, however, I shall not urge my friends to invest. I am offering stock for sale and believe it will bring big returns, and I know we shall sell the limited amount offered, but I want my friends to go into it voluntarily, using their own judgment. One thing is certain. However well the proposition turns out, there will be no high salaried officers to make dividends smaller. As secretary-treasurer, shall see to it that it is an honest company and that every investor is given a square deal. In this I have the hearty co-operation of my associates."

Midland people need no assurance that this townsman of ours will do all he says, and more if possible. Sam Preston's sterling honesty is fully recognized and one need not fear being misled by his presentations.

Elsewhere is a half-page advertisement of his proposition, and we urge those interested in oil investments to read the proposition over carefully. The company's holdings are located in the center of production and the Burk Burnett field is now active as never before.

Noticians and surgeons now feel that an operation of a serious nature is necessary before the Doctor can get relief. Dr. Haley is truly one of God's own good men, and he counts every man, woman and child in Midland his friend, and these all unite in the fervent prayer that all will be well, and that the good friend and physician may ere long return to us his old buoyant, capable self.

Mr. W. F. Cowden and daughters, Mrs. Clarence Scharbauer and Miss Geraldine Cowden, returned Monday from Dallas, where they were met by another daughter, Miss Essie, of Baylor, and together they spent a very happy Thanksgiving. En route home they stopped in Fort Worth and enjoyed the rare opportunity of hearing the great evangelist, Billy Sunday.

The 99 Club held an especially interesting meeting Tuesday afternoon in the beautiful home of Mrs. George Wolcott. Mrs. Addison Wadley was the leader and read a very instructive paper on the Renaissance, that interesting period in the fifteenth century in which there was such a general revival of classical learning and art.

Born, on last Saturday, Nov. 30th, to Sergeant and Mrs. T. L. Beauchamp, a little lass whom the fond young mother has already given the pretty name, Tommie Katherine. The father is with the American forces in France. The Reporter, with many friends, extends congratulations.

On December 1st, in Santa Rita, Mexico, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Youngblood again became the happy parents of a baby girl, and little Anabel is particularly delighted with the new sister, who has come to be her playmate for "keeps."

Miss Leta Heard, who has been teaching in the Pecos High School, came home this week, as the Pecos schools have again had to close on account of the influenza epidemic.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Karkalits left Wednesday afternoon for Dallas, where Mrs. Karkalits will go to the Baptist Sanitarium for special treatment.

Rev. and Mrs. O. J. Hull are in Dallas this week attending the Baptist convention.

Miss Lois Patterson, who is very efficiently teaching school in Fasken this winter, was at home for Thanksgiving.

Mrs. Jim Poole is expecting as holiday guest, her mother, Mrs. F. R. Evans, and sister, Mrs. H. T. Jernigan, both of Waco.

SPECIALS For the WEEK

Commencing Saturday morning, December 7th, and continuing one week, or until present stock is sold

14 Bath Room Sets, composed of Mat, two Towels and one Rug, each for only **\$3.15**

This is an exceptional bargain, all pretty designs

Children's "Cuddledown Sets" a nice Christmas present for the children **\$2.15**

Rest grade of Unbleached Canton Flannel, for next week only, per yard **22c**

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This Store is prepared to help you to make this a Practical Christmas by helping you select Useful, Practical Gifts for every name on your list.

Nationally, this Christmas has been proclaimed one of useful, practical giving. Desirable merchandise is hard to get and harder still to re-order, and we suggest that you do your Christmas shopping early.

Warm Gloves	Fur Caps	Neckwear
Kid Gloves	Hand Bags	Suit Cases
Purses	Bath Robes	Sweaters
Coats	Suits	Petticoats
Handkerchiefs	Suspenders	Knitting Bags
Mackinaws	Silk Hose	House Shoes
Shoes	Belts	Blankets
Waists	Ribbons	Shirts

There is still time to make special orders for anything you cannot find and we will be glad to attend to this for you

Another lot of hard-to-get Merchandise in this week

- A lot of those extra good quality Boys' Corduroy Knickerbockers, all sizes, at the pair **\$1.85**
- Ladies' and Misses' Brown Lisle Hose, in a splendid quality, all sizes, the pair **65c**
- Men's and Women's Pure Linen Handkerchiefs of exceptional quality, each **50c**
- Fill-in sizes on Boys' extra quality Marx made Corduroy Knickerbocker Suits, the suit **\$7.50**
- Dainty lace edgings and beadings for holiday work, including the tiny edges for handkerchiefs, the yard 5c, 10c, to **25c**

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THE WAR IS NOT OVER

THE COUNTRY NEEDS ITS PATRIOTS NOW MORE THAN EVER BEFORE

Because several essential matters have yet to be attended to, one thing we have not yet made peace with Germany, and is no telling what amount of police work may have to be done. Germany has no proper government, and revolution and anarchy may be met with at any time. An army of over two million men and about a million men belonging to our sea forces, to be paid, fed, transported and then returned home. Enormous government contracts for supplies cannot be repudiated, the goods must be paid for in full. Our great ship-building industry designed to make us at least the second greatest carrying power in the world must be carried out at a cost of many billions of dollars, to the ultimate advantage of every business in this country. Our allies, if they need money, must have

To draw back now and to refuse to spend money would be to place ourselves in the position of a business man who having an enormous amount of capital and effort in a business, just at that moment when the business is on its feet and about to pay dividends.

HOW THE GOVERNMENT WORKS.

It is really not a question of whether or not we desire to do more money—we MUST do it. A word of explanation as to the manner in which the United States Government collects and spends money will make this matter perfectly clear. When the Government started, the Government contracted for goods to the value of many hundreds of millions of dollars without having the money to pay for the goods. The Government then borrowed from the banks on Short Term Certificates of Indebtedness the necessary money to keep matters going and then repaid the banks of the First Liberty Loan. This method of finance has been repeated ever since; the Government always being in debt. The fact that nearly all of the Fourth Liberty Loan money has already been spent and very soon the Government will be spending the money which you must supply in the shape of subscriptions to the Fifth Liberty Loan.

GOOD TIMES COMING.

We hope, and with good reason, that after the close of the war we shall find ourselves with an enormous international bank account, with the people of Europe owing us possibly five hundred million dollars yearly in interest alone on our Loans to them. We shall find ourselves with a magnificent merchant fleet which will carry our goods promptly and cheaply to every part of the world, and that the demand for our manufactured products will be so great that we shall have an era of prosperity unknown in the history of the nation. It takes capital to conduct business, now is the time for every sensible business man to put by money for use during that period of activity and prosperity that look forward to in the near future.

PATRIOTISM AND GOOD SENSE.

There is no better way of taking care of this money than investing in Liberty Bonds. Every dollar so placed is a splendid investment and the placing of it constitutes an act of the truest patriotism.

THE MOST IMPORTANT POINT OF ALL.

Is the fact that all of our sacrifices, including those of our brave dead in France will have been in vain unless we finish the work which we have undertaken. We have poured out our blood and treasure in order that we may ensure to ourselves and the world peace, democracy and happiness. Having won the right to institute these principles on a world wide basis, shall we now draw back at the very moment when our object is within our grasp? Is unthinkable.

READ WHAT THESE MEN SAY.

These men representative of what is best in the business of the community.

W. P. Hobby,
Governor State of Texas.

"I am apprehensive that the citizens of this State might overlook their present and future obligations to the Government in their eagerness to victory. It is hoped that holders of Liberty Bonds will not place them immediately on the market, but that they will continue the conduct of their business affairs on a war basis, being themselves in readiness to further finance the Government and to refrain from doing any act which might impair the value of outstanding Government securities."

Callan,
President of the Cattle Raisers Association of Texas.
Menard, Texas.

"The country is not restored to normal conditions by the signing of the Armistice, nor is the drought-stricken area restored to normal by reason of recent rains. The people should be implored to preserve their patriotism, economy and industrial efforts to the end of supporting our Government and themselves."

W. P. Hunt,
Governor of Arizona.

"The people of this State and elsewhere will speedily come to a realization that the sacrifices the allies have made will be availing unless the reconstruction is in accordance with true democratic principles. Those principles necessitate a direct responsibility by every individual in the Government, a responsibility which can only be met by continued retrenchment including holding of all war securities, foregoing luxuries until every dollar has returned to his home and above all it is necessary to maintain production wherever possible and to convert war industries into normal peace activities. The sacrifices that have been made must not be followed by domestic chaos."

R. L. Williams,
Governor State of Oklahoma.

"Citizens must not make the mistake of thinking the war is over. Remaining tasks of the war—demobilizing of armies and returning to normal industries of millions of soldiers and laborers in factories—demand patriotic co-operation from every citizen. Additional Loans are to be floated. It is unpatriotic now to buy bonds on the market needlessly. The next few months of effort will be the real test of patriotism. Real patriots will obey the requests of their Government leaders just as cheerfully as they obeyed them a year ago."

Senator Morris Sheppard,
Washington.

"Absolutely essential that it be everywhere understood that sacrifices and restrictions are needed to keep the Government properly financed and our soldiers clothed and fed. Any attempt this time to throw off all restrictions and resume normal conditions might have serious effect on our entire economic and business foundations and fatally impair our ability to make certain glorious fruits of our great struggle for human Liberty."

R. G. Pleasant,
Governor of Louisiana.

"It is incumbent upon us as alert citizens and lovers of liberty to maintain a national stability to uphold the Government financially and every other way just as we did during the active period of the war. There should be no heavy dumping of Liberty Bonds upon the market nor plunging in any manner along business lines. Let us be conservative, careful and frugal, that we may be prepared to meet any eventualities."

SOLDIER LETTERS.

From Sgt. Clarence Crowley,
France, Nov. 11, 1918.

Dear Father: Just received your letter of October 29 and must state that I was certainly glad to hear from you and to know that all of you are well. Your letter is the first and only mail I have received since we landed across the deep blue sea. You should have gotten three or four letters from me by this time, although if you have as much bad luck in getting your mail over there as we have I am surprised that you ever hear from me. We move around so much over here that our mail never has time to catch up with us. I have been on nearly every sector of the western front; have been under shell fire and gas, but we have been very fortunate so far; we have not lost a man out of our company yet. I stood and watched an air battle yesterday for thirty minutes. They were fighting just over our heads, and the first thing we knew the shrapnel was falling all around us, so we ducked for shelter until things got better. The planes are thicker over here going to and from the front than the geese are in that country when a norther hits and they begin to drift south.

I have lots of interesting things to talk about when I get home that I am not allowed to mention in a letter, and from the looks of things this morning I will be home to tell about it, for we certainly have those Dutch on the run. If you haven't got a good horse to keep up you are all out of luck, for they will run off and leave you.

Well, Dad, I must close for this time. If I don't get this off on today's mail it may be delayed for a week. So goodbye and good luck. Give my regards to all the folks and have a big Xmas dinner ready, for I am rearing to put my feet under the table once more.

SGT. CLARENCE CROWLEY.

From Lieut. A. D. Gaston

Manager E. F. Gaston, of the Midland Light Company, is in receipt of the following letter from his brother, Lieutenant A. D. Gaston, with the American forces in France:
Saturday, November 9, 1918.
E. F. Gaston, Midland, Texas.

Dear Brother: Just received your letter and the papers you sent me. Was indeed glad to hear from you. They are the first I have had in over two months, and having to stay here in this bed, makes a fellow anxious to hear from home. Several of them were from mother, which made me feel mighty good. I did not know what to do about wiring home when I was wounded: I was sure the War Department would notify them I was wounded and after thinking it over thought best to cable brother Tom, and he could then use his judgment about telling mother about it. I was wounded the 13th of October at 10:40 a. m. northeast of Verdun, and on Wednesday, the 16th, was moved to this base. I am some distance from the line now.

I am pretty well bunged up but nothing very serious; have four holes in my leg and hip, and my right foot is paralyzed which seems to be my greatest trouble just now. My wounds are healing very nicely, and it is pretty bad to think I have to lounge around here and wait for this slow foot to get well. Tomorrow will be four weeks I have been on my back and it's hard for me, as you know I haven't been sick in years.

Wish you could have been with me. I was in the St. Mehl drive and came out in fine shape. I regret very much that I have missed the last 30 victorious days which seems to be deciding the game very much in our favor. With Germany alone we have nothing to fear. The bunch of fellows in this ward seem to think the German armistice envoy will sign the armistice today.

We have a great bunch of officers in this ward, fifty of us—just imagine fifty of us in one room, some walking around, some in bed, some on crutches. I managed to make my way down to the stove this afternoon; was my first time out of bed. I was assisted by a pair of crutches and a nurse.

We are all patiently waiting for today's paper. Some one came in just now and said the French in this little town were yelling, "Finis la guerre," meaning "war is finished." They seem to get their daily papers some few hours before we do.

I haven't heard from any of the boys from home. I understand some of the boys from Henderson were on our flank at the time I was wounded, and have heard since that they were.

I certainly would like to get back with our company but the doctors tell me it will be some time yet. I certainly am thankful that I am in as good shape as I am. It was real luck for me, I am sure, but I would not take anything for my experience.

Sunday Morning—Papers came in last evening before I finished your letter, so I will finish it this morning. There was nothing of importance in the paper; says Marshal Foch has given the Germans 72 hours to decide on the armistice, which is up at 11 a. m. Monday.

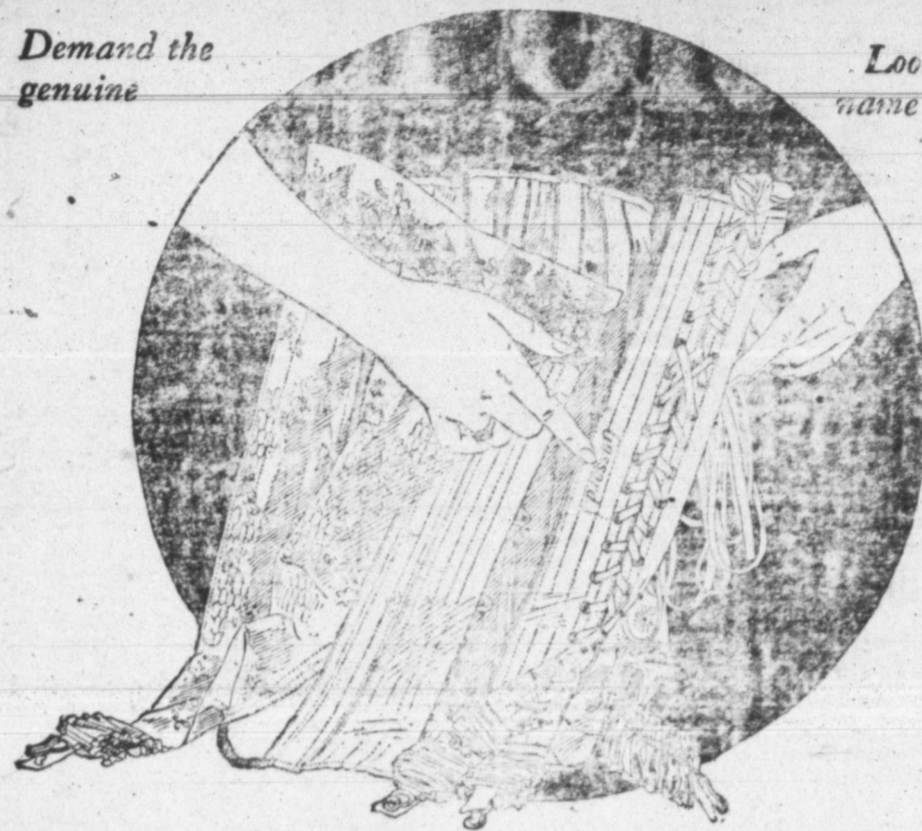
ALPHEUS.

From Wm. H. Snodgrass

France, November 8.
Mrs. E. N. Snodgrass, Midland, Tex.
My Dearest Mother: I will try to write you all a few lines this afternoon. I am just as well as can be. We have been on the move so much lately that we had no time for writing at all. I am in Belgium at present and have just come out of one of the big drives on the Germans, and believe me, I have God above to thank for my protection from Oct. 31 to Nov. 4. Hell roamed the earth in those five days. On Halloween's night, 3:30 o'clock, we went over the top and, mind you, there was nothing to stop us but steel and that didn't have any effect at all. We just went right over and got our game. The first day we advanced under cover of

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good licking. My heart came to my mouth several times but I went on without fear for I felt that God above would protect me. Will relate some of the happenings:

(1) Morning of Oct. 31 we went over the top after the Huns and sure did get a bunch. Several times we would run up on them in their machine gun pits and they would throw up their hands and yell "kamerad" and the infantry would take them to the rear and in the guard house they would go. I felt sorry for some of them with such horrible wounds. (2) Going over the field there were rifle, machine gun, 3, 4, 6, 10 and 16-inch artillery bursting all about us, and what it sounded like I can't explain, but I had the feeling. (3) About 1 o'clock the first day the Prussian Guards made a counter attack and the infantry retreated about 100

yards which left us machine gunners with our hands full, but we withstood their oncoming. Our captain said, "Stay with them, boys," and believe me, the boys stayed with their captain, and we will go anywhere on earth with him as he is a man of such high moral courage and bravery. He knows no fear. We turned the Huns and drove them back with heavy losses. (4) After the counter attack was over we mounted our machine guns and dug in for the night. We stood guard and tried to sleep, but the high explosive shells kept us awake. (5) On the second day we started out again. The Huns had retreated during the night, leaving a rear guard to check our coming, but we soon pushed them out and went on releasing Belgians from the Huns and they ran out and kissed us and gave us milk, butter and bread. They

were free people again after four years of slavery for the Germans. (6) An occurrence that brought tears to my eyes and to those who witnessed it happened here. Two young and three old ladies and one wee little tot were going down the street when all of a sudden a large German shell exploded in their midst and they went into the heavens never to return. Oh, such horrible sights that have greeted our eyes on this big battlefield of Europe!

Well, mother, I must close, as I am sleepy and will retire for the night, praying God to let all of us boys come home soon, but, bear in mind, not till this crisis is over.

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DAY OF THE FOUR- FLUSHER HAS GONE

Cities, Towns, Communities, Individ-
uals Will Have Many Opportu-
nities—Prepare For Them.

A public speaker made the remark upon the day that the celebration of the armistice was observed, that he supposed we would now go back to accustomed conditions and continue business much as before the war, says The Industrial Record in a recent issue.

His observation was exceedingly superficial, for we will never go back to conditions which obtained before the greatest conflict of all time.

Fortunately the human race moves forward. If it were not so our experiences would be of little value to us. Yet there are those who never benefit by their experiences, and who are always looking back, rather than forward.

We have grown so accustomed to thinking about business being carried on a war-time basis, that it gives us something of a jolt to realize that we must again make a complete set of readjustments to meet the needs of the times. If there are any who think to slip along in the old, easy-going, comfortable way, they are bound to come to the time when they have a real awakening, for we have passed from an era of progress to one of greater progress.

The war jarred us uncomfortably at first, but there is no denying that it put lots of pep and push into business.

Some of the benefits of the war cannot be overestimated.

First of all, we learn to understand what the word thrift means; real efficiency and conservation ceased to be catch words and became a part of our every-day American living. We ceased to think of ourselves as independent individuals and eminently

superior at that. We discovered that, as a nation, we were wonderfully interdependent, and that among the nations of the world our leadership could only be maintained through intelligent team work, and a real claim through true worth and quality service to leadership. We found out that the good of many must always take precedence over the welfare of the individual.

Before the war we thought of our own little interests as paramount. We have learned to stand aside and to sacrifice profits, if need be, for the sake of true patriotism. Our ideals which were growing hazy, became clear-cut, and a part of our very lives.

We became willing to use the materials which were best, rather than those which we wanted to use, and to wait patiently for their coming, if necessity ordered delay.

In the nineteen months in which the American people have been engaged in war they took a post graduate course in business methods, and hundreds of thousands were brought face to face with the facts of their own affairs as they never had been before.

Uncle Sam demanded honesty and frankness in the making out of the income tax report and in getting at many other essential details, and it is well. Yes, we have been attending a most helpful school of experience, and it now remains to be proved how many have really benefited by the course.

It is true that large numbers of people go through school, win diplomas and are apparently no better off, going forth and pursuing ordinary tasks in a commonplace way which they might have done without the extra schooling at all. Exactly the same will be true in relation to the business experience of a great many people through the war. Some will profit by it; others, apparently, will have learned nothing at all.

We did not know exactly what we were facing when the war broke out. It is much easier to prognosticate the future now, than it was then, for three things are certain:

First: Our war debts must be paid.
Second: American standards will be much higher now than ever before.
Third: America will enjoy an era of business prosperity.

As soon as the armistice was signed some people thought that there would be no further need for Liberty Loan drives, for war funds and the conservation of supplies. A little more careful thought shows, however, that the signing of the armistice is only the preparation for peace, and that it probably will be months before peace is completely concluded, and even then, a standing army will have to be maintained for a long time in Europe to see that the conditions are carried out and the requirements enforced.

There is a tremendous amount of work to be done "over there," and the American people are morally obligated to help do it. Even although the defeated countries may be required to pay the bills, they are practically bankrupt now, and the recon-

struction period will have to be financed until such time as these people can put in their crops and garner their harvests and begin to amass money once more.

Uncle Sam is going to need a lot of money yet before he is through with the job, and we will continue to furnish it cheerfully. Nevertheless, the peace terms will undoubtedly give in part, at least, the equivalent of these expenses by way of restitution, increasing the wealth of the nation in time to come.

At present we must feel satisfied with the victory we have won and the consciousness that we have fought a good fight for freedom and humanity.

We had thought that our American standards of business methods were very high indeed, and we had really done very well for a young nation! Yet it is inevitable that our armies, having lived and fought along side of English, French, Canadians, Australians, New Zealanders, etc., shall have profited by old-world traditions of painstaking thoroughness.

In the industrial and business life of Europe, it is customary to serve a long and studious apprenticeship. A man does not become a painter by buying a paint brush and a ladder. He "learns his trade" by serving several years with some one who has learned the business, as we have our A B C's. It is so in all lines, and this has made for a far-reaching thoroughness in European countries, which we, with our quick, impatient ways, have not always appreciated. It is to be expected, too, that European nations will imbibe much that will be of benefit from the quick, alert, resourceful peoples of the western continent.

Our men who have been in training in camps in our own country will have come to value the benefits of discipline, and to appreciate the dignity of hard, grubbing work. There will be a distinct change all along the line. Each nation among the allies partaking of the strong points of all the rest, so it is inevitable that our standards, our requirements and our ability to accomplish shall all be better and stronger and higher.

This means that American business will move forward, not backward, and that those who are not foresighted enough to adapt themselves to the new order of things, will soon be out of the reckoning altogether.

There is no doubt but that we are facing an era of great national prosperity. There are those who would have us believe that business life will present something of a chaos when our soldiers come back. This might be the case if we did not have intelligent men at the head of the various departments of administration. Already provision is being made to absorb the returning warriors gradually into our industrial and commercial life.

The maintenance of an army will require the pursuit of a number of industries which did not constitute a factor before the war. Aeroplanes will continue to be made, and considerable quantities of army and navy

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supplies. Western lands will be opened up, and a back-to-the-small-town movement begun.

Those who have worn their country's uniform will be as "hard as nails" in point of muscle and endurance and will. They will not shrink from ordinary difficulties, nor seek openings which spell ease. This is a good thing, for the American youth was growing soft and disinclined in many instances to soil his hands.

The coming back of the millions now in service will introduce a new vitality into our national life. The sight of wounded and maimed soldiers will be a constant reminder to press forward as they have done, to the goal of our ambitions. The business man who has no goal never gets anywhere, and he must have his eye on that goal long before he comes near to it.

Business on a peace-time basis is not going to be realized immediately, although war restrictions and regulations will be removed as fast as possible and as soon as is expedient. Abuse, wastefulness, needless duplications, and the importation of many foreign supplies will be curtailed. American people will proceed to develop their own resources. Preference must be given to American citizens, and in many instances to those who have fought in the great war.

There will be a galaxy of guiding stars in the firmament of the successful business man. These will be patriotism, far-sightedness, courage, thrift, business preparation, hard work, specialized knowledge, and co-operation.

The day of the four-flusher has gone. Every man will be obliged to know the conditions affecting his line of business as a whole, and to be thoroughly informed on the details of his own individual business. If he is wise, he will begin at once to arrange for a sinking fund or reserve of credit, in order that he may take advantage of the splendid opportunities for expansion which are sure to come his way.

When the armistice is a year old, America is bound to hum with activity and industry. There will be much money in circulation. Big business will be done by those who have looked ahead and are ready. Those who are just beginning to wake up at that time will have given the more energetic fellows a fine head start.

Be in the lead yourself. That's the place for red-blooded, long-headed, clear-eyed American business men.

Midland's opportunity will be presented just as surely as in other communities. It is simply up to us to be prepared. Not only should we immediately begin plans for a well organized and well supported commercial club, but it would be not at all amiss to revive an interest in a rehabilitation of the Midland Fair & Inter-State Stock Show. The seasons we are facing, the general business outlook of the whole country justify the strongest expressions and the most energetic manifestations of optimism.

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D. 1918, then and there to answer a
petition filed in said court on the 3rd
day of December, A. D. 1918, in a
suit numbered on the docket of said
court No. 1405, wherein Kirby E. Nutt
is plaintiff and R. E. H. Morgan is
defendant, and said petition alleging
that during the years 1917 and 1918
the defendant was the owner of the
north one-half and the southwest one-
fourth of Section No. thirty-six and
Block No. 40, Township One North,
Texas & Pacific Ry. Co. Survey, and
was bound and liable to pay the state
and county taxes, regularly and legal-
ly assessed thereon for said years;
that the defendant permitted the taxes
thereon for the year 1917 to be-
come delinquent, and that the taxes
for the year 1918 became due and
payable on October 1, 1918, and that
defendant failed and refused to pay
the same for either of said years, the
taxes for said year 1917, including
principal, penalty and interest,
amounting to \$76.98, and for the year
1918, the sum of \$24.28. That plain-
tiff acquired title to said land about
the 5th day of November, 1918, and
was compelled to pay said taxes,
which created a lien on said land.
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sum of \$101.22, and costs of suit.
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said court, at its aforesaid next reg-
ular term, this writ with your return
thereon, showing how you have ex-
ecuted the same.
Given under my hand, at office in
Midland, Texas, this 3rd day of
December, A. D. 1918.
R. E. CROWLEY,
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Few Escape.
There are few, indeed, who escape
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lain's Cough Remedy and observe the
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expense, and the expenses of the war
will continue for many months, and
possibly several years. In any event,
the plan to defray these expenses re-
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have the use of the proceeds of the
issue of War Savings Stamps until
their maturity. Every payment of
War Savings Certificates before matu-
rity interferes to that extent with
the program to finance the war.
Uncle Sam wants you to keep your
Stamps until maturity, and also
wants you to purchase more during
the month of December. I will go
further into the matter with you if
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AEROPLANES LOGGING T. & P. MAIL ROUTE

Midland turned out en masse yesterday forenoon to see the two government aeroplanes scheduled to pass over. They arrived just before noon, the first going on without stopping, while the second stopped for gasoline. The machine landed on College Heights and was here some 30 to 40 minutes, when it rose and went on its way west. These two are of the many government planes now engaged in logging various mail routes through the country. They, we are informed, travel at a maximum rate of 110 miles per hour.

Mrs. Eichelberger, manager of the Unique Theater, promises a good picture for tomorrow week, and some others during the holidays. Further announcements may be made later.

There will be a tennis tournament on Midland College grounds from 10 to 12 o'clock a. m. December 14th. Everybody invited. At this time and place home-made candy will be offered for sale.

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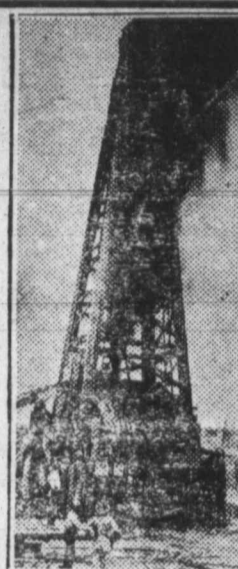
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