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HELP BRAVE BELGIANS DRIVE OUT ENEMY

American Red Cross Aids With Supplies and Comforts in the Equipment of Valiant Army.

It is particularly interesting to Americans to know the tremendous work which the American Red Cross has done toward relieving distress in Belgium. Among the many things done for King Albert's gallant little army by the Red Cross the following are a few:

It established a dining room and reading and writing room at the warehouses in Le Havre.

It gave a plate and a bowl to 6,000 munition workers in ——— to use at their meals.

It fitted up recreation rooms for workers at munition plants.

It installed a co-operative restaurant for the military personnel of the Maritime Agency at Le Havre.

It installed shower baths and a barber shop for the army garrisons in Le Havre.

In army training centers the Red Cross gave household comforts, phonographs, games, etc.

It established a dormitory for 200 men at the Home for Permissionaires at Calais.

It established a canteen and library at Calais.

It established another canteen for the personnel of sanitary trains.

It gave material and games for a canteen for the personnel of the naval base at ———.

It gave the same for a canteen for the personnel of Belgian seaplane units.

It equipped a mess for the personnel of the unit at Calais.

It gave tents, canteens, reading rooms and shower baths for the personnel of the Bourbough bakery.

It organized dining rooms for searchlight companies and artillery batteries having fixed cantonments, and installed shower baths in them.

It distributed 60,000 enameled plates and cups for soldiers in the trenches.

It gave prizes for organized athletic tournaments.

It sent presents to each man decorated for bravery. These presents are usually razors, pipes, fountain pens and such. Up to now this work has only applied to the infantry.

The Red Cross provided the apparatus and films for cinema shows. Eight thousand soldiers see them every day.

It supplied books for all soldiers. It installed a recreation and writing room at the large canteen at La Panne.

It presented to every infantry and cavalry regimental surgeon a medical traveling case, holding a set of medical instruments for field service.

This work required an appropriation of approximately 1,250,000 francs.

Straight from the front is this comment of a Belgian colonel. It was made recently while he was sitting in his dugout talking of the work of a canteen for which the American Red Cross had just provided quarters on very short notice.

"One live demonstration like this is better than a year of talk."

American Red Cross has erected a barracks at Dijon, France, to serve as a day nursery for the children of the French women who work in the United States Army camouflage factory.

—Pay The President—
**COUNCIL OF DEFENSE
REMOVES RESTRICTIONS**

Acting under Bulletin 53 of the State Council of Defense of date November 30th, which calls upon us to vacate certain orders for economizing in the delivery of goods, restricting the number of deliveries, and affecting time for closing, we hereby vacate all such orders heretofore entered by us, to take effect beginning with Monday, December 16. From and after closing on Saturday, December 14th, all restrictions heretofore entered by us with relation to the above matters are vacated.

It is not meant by the removal of the above restrictions that the necessity for economy on all lines does not continue to exist. On the contrary, this council, as well as State and National Councils of Defense, wishes to impress upon the people the necessity for continued economy in every line.

We take this occasion to express our thanks to the people for prompt and efficient obedience to the orders heretofore promulgated.

J. M. CALDWELL,
Chairman County Council of Defense.
—Pay The President—

**THE MEXICAN "JESUS"
DIED TUESDAY NIGHT**

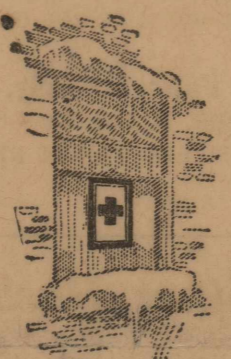
The old Mexican, "Jesus," (pronounced Casos) died Tuesday night of double pneumonia, following influenza. Everybody knew the old fellow; for he had been here more than 30 years. He was very aged and of late had grown quite feeble.

JOIN



Make this a Red Cross Christmas

The happiest, merriest Christmas the world ever knew is almost here. But in the rejoicings of peace and freedom there is one note of seriousness that America must not forget—there is misery and distress and sickness all over the world. Relief must be given. The work of the Red Cross **MUST** go on. And to carry on, the Red Cross **MUST** have the support of your membership.



Put your
flag in
your window

Join the Red Cross
—all you need is a heart and a dollar



**Wear your
Button**

Will you be wearing your membership button when the boys come home?

Join

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THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

BACK TO MIDLAND ACCOMPANIED BY BRIDE

We are glad to welcome V. L. Peck back to Midland, who comes to accept a position with Walter Jerden as

a plumber and tinner. He worked for Mr. Jerden two years and is quite well known to most of our people. He comes to us this time from Brownwood, and was accompanied by his bride, whom he married last

month. A cordial welcome is extended to both.

—Pay The President—
Just arrived, new Stetson hats, just the thing for the young men.—Everybody's.

Xmas Shopping

Should be done as early as possible. You have **ONLY TEN MORE DAYS.** Had you thought of it? You will find many useful gifts in our Dry Goods department. Let us help you with your buying, only by offering suggestions.

FOR MEN

Shirts, Socks, Handkerchiefs, Mufflers, Neckties, Caps, Gloves, Mackinaws, Sweaters, Smoking Jackets

We are showing for the Holiday trade one of the most elaborate lines of Neckties ever shown in Midland. Prices range from 50c to \$3.50 each.

We can show you many useful Gifts for the Children. . . . Our prices are the lowest.

Buy Your Groceries From Us—Know you are getting the best. We will have a complete line of the best eatables for your Xmas dinner—quality unsurpassed—prices right. Try us and be convinced.

Midland Mercantile Company

Grocery Phone No. 6

The Store that Saves You Money

Dry Goods Phone 284

AN INTERESTING OIL PLAN IS SUGGESTED

Home Company Proposed in Which All Share Alike, in Both Expense and Profits.

The following offers an equitable plan whereby it may be determined whether or not Midland County has any oil resources, the plan being suggested by a citizen who has given the subject much thought:

"For the purpose of sinking a well for gas, oil or other minerals, we, the undersigned realty owners, agree to form a co-operative joint stock company, duly incorporated under the laws of the State of Texas, to be known as the Home Developing Company, under the following conditions:

"Whereby sufficient funds may be raised to make such test or tests as may be satisfactory to a majority of those concerned, we, each and severally, bind ourselves to voluntarily assess ourselves a sufficient amount per acre to create a fund sufficient to sink a well 4000 feet, such assessment not to exceed 10 cents per acre on the entire realty holdings of each individual subscriber, regardless of the location of such holdings; provided that it is in a radius of (blank) miles of Midland. It is further agreed that each member shall be entitled to and will receive of the products or profits his or their share, prorated upon the basis of their per cent of holdings composing the capital stock of said company.

"It is further agreed that this company shall remain intact for a period of years or to such time that the profits derived from the production of the company by its wells or shafts shall be sufficient to reimburse each individual or subscriber to the full amount they voluntarily assessed themselves to create the capital stock of the company.

"At such time any member may withdraw from the company 50 per cent of the land he voluntarily taxed himself to create the capital stock for the purpose heretofore expressed. It is agreed that such withdrawal from the company shall not include any section on which the company may have a well, a shaft, or on which preparations are being made for development work."

Now, there is something tangible in the above. In such a proposition Midland and Midland people, and especially land owners of the Midland Country would reap the greatest benefits, in the event that there is oil, gas, or what not in this section. It is hardly worth while, though, for The Reporter to discuss it, inasmuch as the proposition rather fully covers the ground and simply points out a practical undertaking that is rich in promises. Midland needs a commercial organization to develop such an idea. In lieu of it, however, it would be splendid if some wide-awake person would busy himself in arousing enthusiasm along such a line, get a meeting of men interested and discuss it and such other measures as might promise the promotion of scientific investigation and tests.

C. I. A. PLANS FOR SUMMER NORMAL

Supt. Lackey Has Letter From Pres. Bralley Announcing Opening Dates, Subjects, Etc.

Many students, from year to year, attend the summer sessions of the College of Industrial Arts at Denton; besides, Supt. W. W. Lackey, of the Midland City Schools, is a member of the C. I. A. faculty, and the following letter recently received by him from Pres. F. M. Bralley is of particular interest to many:

"My Dear Mr. Lackey: The bulletins announcing the summer normal and the summer session of 1919 for the College of Industrial Arts will be received from the printers early in the month of January and will be distributed among those interested. In the meantime, in answering inquiries from those who desire to attend the summer normal or the College during the summer of 1919, you should keep in mind the following information:

"1. The summer normal and the summer session of the College of Industrial Arts will begin Tuesday, June 3, and continue until Thursday, August 21, a full quarter of twelve weeks.

"2. The summer normal and the summer session of the college are divided into two terms—first to begin June 3 and close July 24; second, to begin July 25 and close August 21. This division of the summer session into two terms permits either summer normal or college students to enter at the beginning of either term, to attend one or both terms of the summer normal or of the college, and to get the benefit of two examinations for teachers' State certificates.

"3. The subjects offered in the summer normal cover the entire range of subjects for teachers' State certificates, and the subjects offered in the summer session of the college cover the entire range of the work of the college during the regular session, including the courses in teacher-training in vocational home economics, public school music and kindergarten training.

"4. There are sixty-five members of the faculty in the summer normal and in the summer session of the college, composed of the regular college faculty and of well trained, practical and successful public school men and women of the State. No summer normal or summer session of a college in Texas will be able to offer more, thorough or more satisfactory instruction.

"5. For convenient, comfortable and satisfactory living conditions the summer normal and the summer session of the College of Industrial Arts are not equaled by any other summer normal or summer session of a college in Texas, and the charges for room and board in our spacious, comfortable and well equipped dormitories are less than room and board can be obtained elsewhere.

"6. The subjects of the summer normal and the college courses are so scheduled as to enable one to take work in both the summer normal and the college. Special arrangements are made for teachers of wide and successful experience, for high school graduates, for young women who have done some college work elsewhere, and for students who desire to remove some of the conditions for admission to the freshman class.

"The attendance at the summer normal and the summer session has in four years increased from 146 to 650, and I am convinced that if those who go to summer normals and to college during the summer knew of the superior opportunities offered at the College of Industrial Arts, the attendance of the 1919 summer normal and summer session here would easily reach 1000. I shall be glad for you at your convenience and on suitable occasions to inform your friends and the people in your community of the advantages offered at the summer normal and the summer session at the College of Industrial Arts."

—Pay The President—
**RED CROSS CHRISTMAS
ROLL CALL WEEK**

The Reporter this week is devoting its space to the Red Cross Christmas Roll Call, and we urge all to note the advertisements of this cause that have been donated by various business men. Chairman Homer Rowe joins us in urging that these contributors be noted and duly appreciated for their liberality, and that it is your patriotic duty to remember them in placing your Christmas shopping and otherwise.

—Pay The President—
**WESTERN UNION-TELEGRAPH
COMPANY TO CHANGE RATE**

The postmaster general has ordered a change of rates for the Western Union Telegraph Company, to take effect January 1st. The change affects the night rate only, and where, as at Midland, the day rate is, say to Dallas, 40 cents for 10 words, with 3 cents for each additional, after Jan. 1st the night rate will be reduced from 30-2 to 30-1. Other reductions are made corresponding to points distant.

—Pay The President—
At the Tennis Tournament tomorrow at Midland College, from 10 to 12 a. m., besides home-made candy being offered for sale, hamburgers and coffee will be served. Everybody invited. Admission 10 cents.



"We joined—have you?"

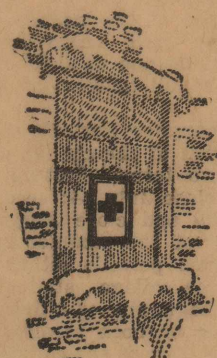
When you have that button pinned on your coat, you can look the whole world in the face—and feel proud.

It means you have answered "present" to the Red Cross Christmas Roll Call for 1919. It means that you have placed your personal stamp of approval on the work of the Greatest Mother in the World and that you have given her the moral support of your membership.

Red Cross work must go on!

As long as Americans are under arms across the sea, as long as the results of war, pestilence and famine afflict the world, the need for the Red Cross will exist.

America has never failed in doing its full duty—that duty now is universal membership in the Red Cross.



Put your flag in your window



Wear your button
Will you be wearing your membership button when the boys come home?

Join the Red Cross
—all you need is a heart and a dollar

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**Smith Brothers
Basham, Shepherd & Co.**



The seriousness of one—the happiness in the obligation of the other

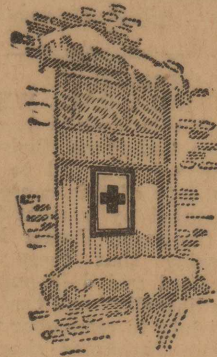
But both are badges of honor—one standing for exceptional valor on the battlefield—the other, for membership in the greatest of all humanitarian organizations, *your American Red Cross.*

The work of the soldier is practically finished.

The work of the Red Cross has really just begun.

Your membership and the moral support such membership gives are essential in carrying on Red Cross activities.

Let us all realize that in our happiness of another Christmas of Peace and Plenty—let us not forget the sufferings and privations of our war-torn friends across the sea—let us make our Christmas festival a Red Cross Christmas with full membership in every American home.



Put your flag in your window—let your neighbors know you haven't forgotten Belgium—and France—and our boys who remain overseas.



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Will you be wearing your membership button when the boys come home?

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—all you need is a heart and a dollar

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Midland Mercantile Company



Practical Christmas Suggestions

Economically Priced at

Wadley-Patterson Company's

Do your shopping early. Late buyers will be disappointed

Suitable Gifts for Wife, Mother, Sister Sweetheart

Waists—Pretty, desirable numbers, in silk and cotton, \$1.50 to \$12.50
Silk Petticoats in beautiful designs, make exceptionally attractive gifts at \$6 to \$10 each.
Hand-Bags, Purses of all kinds at 75c to \$4.75.
Silk Hose in the wanted shades at \$1.50, \$2, and \$2.50.
Bath Robes, Dainty Silk Underwear, Boudoir Caps, House Shoes, etc.
Handkerchiefs of every kind, either singly or in boxes, from 5c each to the daintiest pure linen hand-work at 50c each. Initial Handkerchiefs, plain, linen centers, etc.
Table Linen, Linen Towels, Fancy Towels, Bath Rugs, Gloves, Skirts, Coats, Suits, Shoes, Silk Caps, Blankets—these and many other things make sensible, practical gifts that will be appreciated and in keeping with the spirit of economy.

For Father, Brother, Husband or "Him"

We suggest **Gloves**—dress gloves, lined gloves, service gloves, auto gloves—we have a specially choice assortment at \$1.50 to \$3.75.
Special—A splendid Auto Gauntlet, warm lined, at the pair \$2.50.
Mackinaws, Sweaters, Overcoats, Hats, Fur Caps, Initial Handkerchiefs, Silk Handkerchiefs, Military Brushes, Cuff Buttons, Scarf Pins, Neckwear, Shirts, Belts, Collars, Shoes—these and many other things to be found here make sensible, practical gifts.

For the Boys and Girls and Little Tots

We suggest **Sweaters, Gloves, Neckties, Middy Ties, Sweater Suits, Dresses, Coats, Mackinaws, Overcoats, Handkerchiefs, Caps, Fur Caps, Silk Caps, Mittens, Toques, Shoes, Hose.**

To insure delivery by Christmas the Government says all out of town Christmas packages must be mailed by the 20th.

This Store is at your service and wants your business. All mail orders receive prompt, personal attention.

Wadley-Patterson Comp'y

One Price—the Lowest—For Cash Only

ONE WEAK SPOT

Many Midland People Have a Weak Part and Too Often It's the Back

Many people have a weak spot. Too often it's a bad back. Twinges follow every sudden twist. Dull aching keeps up day and night. Backache is often from weak kidneys.

In such cases a kidney medicine is needed.

Doan's Kidney Pills are for weak kidneys.

For backache and urinary ills.

Midland people recommend the remedy.

Mrs. A. B. Hutchison, Midland, says, "I have used Doan's Kidney Pills at times during the past few years and I recommend them to everyone, for they are the best of kidney medicines. I used them for attacks of backache and a weak back. I had dizzy spells and headaches and my kidneys acted too frequently. I got Doan's at the City Drug Store, they always relieved me."

Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Hutchison had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfgs., Buffalo, N. Y. 9-2t

—Pay The President—

See if your subscription to The Reporter is not due. If so, please pay up. Price \$1.50 the year.

Few Escape.

There are few, indeed, who escape having at least one cold during the winter months, and they are fortunate who have but one and get through with it quickly and without any serious consequences. Take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and observe the

directions with each bottle, and you are likely to be one of the fortunate ones. The worth and merit of this remedy has been fully proven. There are many families who have always used it for years when troubled with a cough or cold, and with the very best results.

More Miles For the Money
In the KELLY-SPRINGFIELD and GOODYEAR LINES OF TIRES AND TUBES

Don't take our word for it, ask the driver who knows from experience. A full stock and all sizes.

Coyle-Cordill Motor Co.

Phone 83

ADVICE TO "FLU" CONVALESCENTS

SPAIN AND ENGLAND REPORT INCREASE IN TUBERCULOSIS AFTER INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC.

U. S. Public Health Service Warns Public Against Tuberculosis. One Million Cases Tuberculosis in United States—Each a Source of Danger.

Influenza Convalescents Should Have Lungs Examined—Colds Which Hang On Often Beginning of Tuberculosis. No Cause for Alarm if Tuberculosis is Recognized Early—Patent Medicines Not to Be Trusted.

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- * Beware tuberculosis after influenza. No need to worry if you take precautions in time.
- * Don't diagnose your own condition. Have your doctor examine your lungs several times at monthly intervals. Build up your strength with right living, good food and plenty of fresh air.
- * Don't waste money on patent medicines advertised to cure tuberculosis.
- * Become a fresh-air crank and enjoy life.
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Washington, D. C. (Special.)—According to a report made to the United States Public Health Service, the epidemic of influenza in Spain has already caused an increase in the prevalence and deaths from pulmonary tuberculosis. A similar association between influenza and tuberculosis was recently made by Sir Arthur Newsholme, the chief medical officer of the English public health service, in his analysis of the tuberculosis death rate in England.

In order that the people of the United States may profit by the experience of other countries Surgeon General Rupert Blue of the United States Public Health Service has just issued a warning emphasizing the need of special precautions at the present time. "Experience seems to indicate," says the Surgeon General, "that persons whose resistance has been weakened by an attack of influenza are peculiarly susceptible to tuberculosis. With millions of its people recently affected with influenza this country now offers conditions favoring the spread of tuberculosis."

One Million Consumptives in the United States.

"Then you consider this a serious menace?" was asked. "In my opinion it is, though I hasten to add it is distinctly one against which the people can guard. So far as one can estimate there are at present about one million cases of tuberculosis in the United States. There is unfortunately no complete census available to show exactly the number of tuberculous persons in each state despite the fact that most of the states have made the disease reportable. In New York city, where reporting has been in force for many years, over 35,000 cases of tuberculosis are registered with the Department of Health. Those familiar with the situation believe that the addition of unrecognized and unreported cases would make the number nearer 50,000. The very careful health survey conducted during the past two years in Framingham, Mass., revealed 200 cases of tuberculosis in a population of approximately 15,000. If these proportions hold true for the United States as a whole they would indicate that about one in every hundred persons is tuberculous. Each of these constitutes a source of danger to be guarded against."

What to Do.

In his statement to the public Surgeon General Blue points out how those who have had influenza should protect themselves against tuberculosis. "All who have recovered from influenza," says the Surgeon General, "should have their lungs carefully examined by a competent physician. In fact, it is desirable to have several examinations made a month apart. Such examinations cannot be made through the clothing nor can they be carried out in two or three minutes. If the lungs are found to be free from tuberculosis every effort should be made to keep them so. This can be done by right living, good food and plenty of fresh air."

Danger Signs.

The Surgeon General warned especially against certain danger signs, such as "decline" and "colds which hang on."

These, he explained, were often the beginning of tuberculosis. "If you do not get well promptly, if your cold seems to hang on or your health and strength decline, remember that these are often the early signs of tuberculosis. Place yourself at once under the care of a competent physician. Tuberculosis is curable in the early stages. Patent Medicines Dangerous in Tuberculosis.

"Above all do not trust in the misleading statements of unscrupulous patent medicine fakers. There is no specific medicine for the cure of tuberculosis. The money spent on such medicines is thrown away; it should be spent instead for good food and decent living."

U. S. HEALTH SERVICE ISSUES WARNING

Increase in All Respiratory Diseases After the Influenza Epidemic Probable.

Influenza Expected to Lurk for Months. How to Guard Against Pneumonia. Common Colds Highly Catching—Importance of Suitable Clothing—Could Save 100,000 Lives.

Washington, D. C.—With the subsidence of the epidemic of influenza the attention of health officers is directed to pneumonia, bronchitis and other diseases of the respiratory system which regularly cause a large number of deaths, especially during the winter season. According to Rupert Blue, Surgeon General of the United States Public Health Service, these diseases will be especially prevalent this winter unless the people are particularly careful to obey health instructions. "The present epidemic," said Surgeon General Blue, "has taught by bitter experience how readily a condition beginning apparently as a slight cold may go on to pneumonia and death. Although the worst of the epidemic is over, there will continue to be a large number of scattered cases, many of them mild and unrecognized, which will be danger spots to be guarded against." The Surgeon General likened the present situation to that after a great fire, saying, "No fire chief who understands his business stops playing the hose on the charred debris as soon as the flames and visible fire have disappeared. On the contrary, he continues the water for hours and even days, for he knows that there is danger of the fire rekindling from smoldering embers."

"Then you fear another outbreak of influenza?" he was asked. "Not necessarily another large epidemic," said the Surgeon General, "but unless the people learn to realize the seriousness of the danger they will be compelled to pay a heavy death toll from pneumonia and other respiratory diseases."

Common Colds Highly Catching.

"It is encouraging to observe that people are beginning to learn that ordinary coughs and colds are highly catching and are spread from person to person by means of droplets of germ laden mucus. Such droplets are sprayed into the air when careless or ignorant people cough or sneeze without covering their mouth and nose. It is also good to know that people have learned something about the value of fresh air. In summer, when people are largely out of doors, the respiratory diseases (coughs, colds, pneumonia, etc.) are infrequent; in the fall, as people begin to remain indoors, the respiratory diseases increase; in the winter, when people are prone to stay in badly ventilated, overheated rooms, the respiratory diseases become very prevalent."

Suitable Clothing Important.

"Still another factor in the production of colds, pneumonia and other respiratory diseases is carelessness or ignorance of the people regarding suitable clothing during the seasons when the weather suddenly changes, sitting in warm rooms too heavily dressed or, what is even more common, especially among women, dressing so lightly that windows are kept closed in order to be comfortably warm. This is a very injurious practice."

Could Save 100,000 Lives.

"I believe we could easily save one hundred thousand lives annually in the United States if all the people would adopt the system of fresh air living followed, for example, in tuberculosis sanatoria. There is nothing mysterious about it—no specific medicine, no vaccine. The important thing is right living, good food and plenty of fresh air."

Droplet Infection Explained in Pictures.

"The Bureau of Public Health, Treasury Department, has just issued a striking poster drawn by Berryman, the well-known Washington cartoonist. The poster exemplifies the modern method of health education. A few years ago, under similar circumstances, the health authorities would have issued an official dry but scientifically accurate bulletin teaching the role of droplet infection in the spread of respiratory diseases. The only ones who would have understood the bulletin would have been those who already knew all about the subject. The man in the street, the plain citizen and the many millions who toll for their living would have had no time and no desire to wade through the technical phraseology."



USE THE HANKERCHIEF AND DO YOUR BIT TO PROTECT YOURSELF AND THE PUBLIC

Copies of this poster can be obtained free of charge by writing to the Surgeon General, U. S. Public Health Service, Washington, D. C.

MUST INCREASE FOOD EXPORTS

America Called on by End of War to Supply Added Millions.

ECONOMY STILL NEEDED.

Over Three Times Pre-War Shipments Required—Situation in Wheat and Fats Proves Government's Policy Sound.

With the guns in Europe silenced, we have now to consider a new world food situation. But there can be no hope that the volume of our exports can be lightened to the slightest degree with the cessation of hostilities. Millions of people liberated from the Prussian yoke are now depending upon us for the food which will keep them from starvation.

With food the United States made it possible for the forces of democracy to hold out to victory. To insure democracy in the world, we must continue to live simply in order that we may supply these liberated nations of Europe with food. Hunger among a people inevitably breeds anarchy. American food must complete the work of making the world safe for democracy.

Last year we sent 11,820,000 tons of food to Europe. For the present year, with only the European Allies to feed, we had originally pledged ourselves to a program that would have increased our exports to 17,500,000 tons. Now, to feed the liberated nations, we will have to export a total of not less than 20,000,000 tons—practically the limit of loading capacity at our ports. Reviewing the world food situation, we find that some foods will be obtainable in quantities sufficient to meet all world needs under a regime of economical consumption. On the other hand, there will be marked world shortages in some important commodities.

Return to Normal Bread Loaf.

With the enlarged wheat crops which American farmers have grown, and the supplies of Australia, the Argentine and other markets now accessible to shipping, there are bread grains enough to enable the nations to return to their normal wheat loaf, provided we continue to mill flour at a high percentage of extraction and maintain economy in eating and the avoidance of waste.

In fats there will be a heavy shortage—about 3,000,000,000 pounds—in pork products, dairy products and vegetable oils. While there will be a shortage of about three million tons in rich protein feeds for dairy animals, there will be sufficient supplies of other feedstuffs to allow economical consumption.

In the matter of beef, the world's supplies are limited to the capacity of the available refrigerating ships. The supplies of beef in Australia, the Argentine and the United States are sufficient to load these ships. There will be a shortage in the importing countries, but we cannot hope to expand exports materially for the next months in view of the bottle neck in transportation.

We will have a sufficient supply of sugar to allow normal consumption in this country if the other nations retain their present short rations or increase them only slightly. For the countries of Europe, however, to increase their present rations to a material extent will necessitate our sharing a part of our own supplies with them.

Twenty Million Tons of Food.

Of the world total, North America will furnish more than 60 per cent. The United States, including the West Indies, will be called upon to furnish 20,000,000 tons of food of all kinds as compared with our pre-war exports of about 6,000,000 tons.

While we will be able to change our program in many respects, even a casual survey of the world supplies in comparison to world demands shows conclusively that Europe will know famine unless the American people bring their home consumption down to the barest minimum that will maintain health and strength.

There are conditions of famine in Europe that will be beyond our power to remedy. There are 40,000,000 people in North Russia whom there is small chance of reaching with food this winter. Their transportation is demoralized in complete anarchy, and shortly many of their ports will be frozen, even if internal transport could be realized.

To Preserve Civilization.

At this moment Germany has not alone sucked the food and animals from all those masses of people she has dominated and left starving, but she has left behind her a total wreckage of social institutions, and this mass of people is now confronted with absolute anarchy.

If we value our own safety and the social organization of the world, if we value the preservation of civilization itself, we cannot permit growth of this cancer in the world's vitals.

Famine is the mother of anarchy. From the inability of governments to secure food for their people grows revolution and chaos. From an ability to supply their people grows stability of government and the defeat of anarchy. Did we put it on no higher plane than our interests in the protection of our institutions, we must bestir ourselves in solution of this problem.

Fight Two Fights

BY ENROLLING IN THE

Red Cross Christmas Roll Call

1--A Fight for Democracy 2--A Fight for Health

The Red Cross brought heroic France the first help from America to turn back the onrush of democracy's foes.

Then it provided healing care and comforts to strengthen America's great democratic army.

Also it fights now beside our soldiers over there by looking after the needs of their loved ones over here.

By sending health workers to Italy and France—by appropriating millions for fighting tuberculosis, both there and in America, the Red Cross gives every member a share in a winning war for health.

Red Cross funds enable American tuberculosis associations to combat the disease that most of all kills those needed as workers and soldiers.

You are not asked to buy Red Cross Christmas Seals this year. They are awarded to you as a Red Cross member for helping in the health fight.

Either one of the fights is reason enough for joining.

SO ANSWER "PRESENT" IN THE Red Cross Christmas Roll Call

The National Tuberculosis Association

C. A. TAYLOR & SON and The CITY DRUG STORE

Removal Notice.

The Midland Abstract Company has been moved from the county clerk's office to the suite of rooms

occupied by Garrard & Baker, Llano Hotel building. We have the only abstract books in Midland County, and our records are thoroughly accurate and complete, up to date. The

same prompt attention and accuracy that have always characterized our work will always be given. 8-4t MRS. S. O. RICHARDSON.



When the Boys Return

THAT little service flag in your window, the loved one it represents will come back some day. Do you realize that while he has been away he has had almost the constant companionship of a Phonograph?

He will be with you again—back with his stories of the glorious part he played in the great war. And the songs he has sung abroad—the songs that spurred him on to victory—he will want you to hear them; will want them to accompany the stories of his life "Over There."

The NEW EDISON "The Phonograph with a Soul"

RE-CREATES all these glorious songs of the great war. "Tipperary"—the first. Then our stirring rival of its fame—"Over There." And then "Freedom For All Forever"—whose four words sum up the whole cause for which your boy has been fighting.

You must have the New Edison at home for him when he returns. But do not wait till then. Get one now, and RE-CREATE now for yourself the melodies your boy is singing on the battle-field.

We will gladly RE-CREATE for you the "Songs of the Allies" on the New Edison.

C. A. TAYLOR & SON, Dealers

WHAT WOMEN ARE DOING FOR SOLDIERS IN FRANCE

Fight in the Ranks of the Red Cross Against Pain, Disease and Death.

They have known very well the risks they were taking—the two thousand and more women who have gone to France for varied services under the American Red Cross, and the more than nine thousand nurses whom the American Red Cross has assigned to foreign duty under the United States Army and Navy Nurse Corps.

They went under orders, as soldiers do; prepared for any emergencies, as soldiers do; they assumed many strange and unforeseen tasks, as soldiers do. Literally, they went as fighters, against pain, disease and death.

A "mobile surgical unit" of nurses—those words don't mean very much, perhaps, the first time we hear them. But see such an unit follow an army up to an advanced post; see how the nurses work with steady hands beside the surgeons as the stretchers, with the newly wounded are brought in. See thousands of them in evacuation hospitals, base hospitals, convalescent hospitals, tuberculosis hospitals; some of them in French military hospitals where sometimes our men are sent; see them with their specialized skill in head surgery, or fracture work, or psychiatry;—all these women who keep head and hand cool and steady, when the ambulances unload great harvests of wounded. Then we say the words "Our Nurses," as we say "Our Soldiers," "Our Sailors," "Our Marines."

On the night of March 25th, when the Germans were fast advancing, and already within six kilometers of Annel, an outpost of Compiègne, two American doctors remained, who under order of the French government, had sent the patients and personnel of their hospital farther back the night before. The artillery was deafening, but the American Ambulance sections kept bringing their wounded to Annel. These doctors said that as long as the American boys brought them wounded they would operate. Two nurses volunteered from Compiègne, and so in the deserted chateau the two surgeons, the two nurses and the ten drivers worked calmly on, while the buzz of aeroplanes shook the air, and the blasting guns shook the earth.

Through three takings of Belgrade, first when the city was taken by the Austrians, again when it was retaken by the Serbians, and still again when it was taken back by the Germans and Austrians together, an American Red Cross nurse, Mary Gladwin, worked in the operating room. In that first capture, when nine thousand wounded crowded the wards and halls and yard of the thousand-bed hospital and doctor and nurse worked together for day and night without stopping, giving to each operation an average of six minutes, and employing emergencies inspired by the desperate need of the moment, they did not know that the city had been taken until all the stretchers brought Austrian wounded, and Austrian doctors came to their relief.

Several hundred women are working over there in the American Red Cross canteens. There are about two hundred of these canteens along the French and American lines of communication, and the women are working under great pressure, feeding thousands of soldiers. The Red Cross is also establishing canteens by military request at a number of Aviation Camps. American women conduct these stations, comprising canteen and club and reading room. Everyone of these canteens has something of the genius of home about it; and it is because of this, no less than the facilities for cleanliness and rest and refreshment, that the French government has given the responsibility for maintaining canteens for both armies to the hands of the American Red Cross.

In large numbers women are going abroad as hospital hot workers, also, and as social workers for trained service among the refugees and the repatriated. At each base hospital the Red Cross is equipping, as fast as they can be built, recreation huts for convalescent soldiers.

Clerical workers have steadily increased in number for the administrative offices. From that original group of eighteen, which was the first American Red Cross Commission to France sailed about June 1st, 1917, the organization has grown to a working force of more than 5,000 men and women.



This used to be the Bridge Club

—and many a jolly afternoon they had, too, with their aces, and hearts, and jacks, and trumps.

Then the war came!

Brothers, husbands, sons, sweethearts left home to be aces of the air, jacks of the navy or trumps of the American Army.

The afternoon meetings continued—but the scenes changed to Red Cross workrooms. And serious, busy fingers of hundreds of thousands of patriotic American women worked day in and day out to alleviate the suffering of their loved ones, and yours, too, who responded so gallantly to the country's needs.

They gave their time, and energy, and

devotion to the Red Cross cause of humanity, without stint or murmur—their work has been one of the finest, most enduring examples of unselfish service of America's whole war experience.

Those wonderful women have made the foundation of future Red Cross work, in a big way, possible. That work must go on, of course—as long as American soldiers are over the sea the Red Cross is necessary—as long as emergency relief work needs to be done.

And now comes your turn to make the carrying on of the Red Cross work a certainty—none of your time is asked for no special effort—just the support of your membership.

Join the Red Cross

-all you need is a heart and a dollar

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MIDLAND HARDWARE COMPANY

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS

FOR SALE—Two good underground gasoline tanks and pumps for filling stations. Western Auto Supply Company. 47-1f

FOR SALE—One adding machine, "American Can," cost \$37.50; good as new. Price now \$15.00. Inquire at post office. 9-2t

FOR RENT

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

FOR RENT—Four room dwelling, with bath and electric lights, two blocks from Main street. See Mrs. Paul Brown. 9-1f

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FOR SALE—A good surry at a bargain. Apply to Mrs. W. B. Elkin, phone 115. 31f

WANTED—I am back home, now, and again buying hides and furs, paying the highest market price. C. M. J. Stringer, phone 123. 6-1f

LOST—Bar pin, diamond and turquoise setting. Suitable reward if returned to Miss Ora Mae Terry.

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Nothing more useful than a leather traveling bag—Everybody's.
—Pay The President—

CAN DO PLUMBING NOW WITHOUT DELAY

I have secured Mr. V. L. Peck, a licensed plumber and first-class tinner, and will give better service in the future, and will be glad to have your business. Have all plumbing supplies, pipe and fittings, and a big assortment of black and galvanized iron in stock.
WALTER JERDEN.
—Pay The President—

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Jones are again happy parents, a 10-pound baby boy arriving at their home a week ago last Saturday night. And the youngster has a visitor in his aunt, Mrs. Woods, of Sweetwater, a sister of Mr. Jones.
—Pay The President—

The latest thing in men's suits at Everybody's.
—Pay The President—

See if your subscription to The Reporter is not due. If so, please pay up. Price \$1.50 the year.

SHERIFF'S SALE

The State of Texas, County of Midland.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain execution issued out of the Honorable District Court of Midland County on the 11th day of October, 1918, by W. J. Parks, clerk of said District Court, Midland County, Texas, for the sum of Five Thousand Dollars and costs & suit, under a certain judgment rendered in said court in favor of J. H. Garrison & Son in a certain cause in said court, No. 1492, and styled J. I. Garrison & Son, a firm composed of W. Y. Garrison and G. F. Garrison, vs. Midland & Northwestern Railway Company, and placed in my hands for service, I, W. E. Bradford, as sheriff of Midland County, Texas, did on the 27th day of November, 1918, levy on certain property, to-wit: The roadbed, track, franchise and chartered powers and privileges of the Midland & Northwestern Railway Company, a railway corporation having its principal office situated in Midland, County of Midland, in the State of Texas, and said roadbed and track extending from Midland, Midland County, Texas, through Andrews County, Texas, to Seminole, in Gaines County, State of Texas, and said railway company operating under and by virtue of a franchise and charter from the State of Texas, and levied upon as the property of the Midland & Northwestern Railway Company, and that on the first Tuesday in January, 1919, the same being the 7th day of said month, at the court house door of Midland County, in the town of Midland, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said execution I will sell said above described property at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said Midland & Northwestern Railway Company.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in The Midland Reporter, a newspaper published in Midland County.

Witness my hand, this 27th day of November, 1918.

W. E. BRADFORD, Sheriff of Midland County, Tex.

Pay The President—

Baptist Church
Bible school at 9:45 a. m., Jno. M. Cowden, superintendent.
The pastor speaks at the 11 o'clock hour.

Sunbeams meet at 3:30 p. m.
Senior B. Y. P. U. meets at 6 p. m.
Evening service begins promptly at 7 o'clock.
The pastor is desirous that the largest number possible attend the Sunday school. And may we not do our best to be present at all these services. Many members of the church have been unavoidably kept away from all church services for the past two months, but may we not expect these to return since the things that have been keeping them away do not now obtain. The public has a most cordial invitation to worship with us.
O. J. HULL, Pastor.
—Pay The President—

See in our window the attractive new line of men's hats, then come in and buy—Everybody's.

DISTINCTION LIST IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

One Hundred Fifty-eight Pupils Average 85 or More on Work For Second Month.

Reports for the second month of this session of our public schools show that 158 pupils averaged over 85 for the second month. This is an excellent showing, when we consider the fact that many were out and that the schools were closed for nine days of the month on account of the "flu." Those averaging 90 or more are recorded with highest honors (Summa Cum Laude), while those averaging from 85 to 89 are recorded with high honors (Magna Cum Laude). Below are given the lists together with the averages of the different pupils in the three schools. The numbers after the names of high school pupils indicate the number of courses carried by the different pupils:

HIGH SCHOOL

Summa Cum Laude (90 or More)	
Carolyn Caldwell	97
Lenora Whitmire	95 2-5
Thelma Estes	95 1-5
Bryan Hull	94 4-5
Grace Terry	94
Marion Allen	93 4-5
Margaret Caldwell	93 1-5
Quinnie Cordill	92 4-5
Ruth Terry	91 2-5

Magna Cum Laude (85 to 89)

Clifford Heath	89 2-5
Lillie Pliska	88 3-4
Roy Stark	88 3-5
Fayette Clark	87 1-2
Hermann Klapproth	87 2-5
Franklin Whitefield	87 1-5
Foxie Nugent	86 4-5
Winnie Runyan	86 1-4
Faye Taylor	86
Frances Miller	85 4-5

CENTRAL WARD Summa Cum Laude (90 or More)

Oriel Horton	96 5-6
J. Wiley Taylor	96 5-6
Myrtle Whitmire	94 5-6
H. B. Dunagan	94 2-3
Margaret Callaway	94 1-5
Georgia Kirk Davis	94 1-6
Cora Mae Haley	93 3-5
Jennie Elkin	92 4-5
Charles Watson	92 1-3
Maurine Tignor	92 1-5
Maggie Henson	92 1-6
Sue Terry	92 1-6
Jean Smith	92
Barron Wadley	91 4-5
Fannie Floyd	91 2-3
Emily Flanagan	91 3-5
Margaret Francis	91 3-5
Virginia Hale	91 3-5
Louise Karkalits	91 1-2
Thalbert Thomas	91 1-2
Drotha Johnson	91 1-5
Claude Hearrell	91 1-6
Bernice Norwood	91 1-6
Elizabeth Smith	91
Lucile Dowdy	90 5-6
Clarice Hull	90 4-5
Mary Frances Norwood	90 3-5
Jack Patterson	90 2-5
Thomas Jefferson Potter	90 2-5
Revice Brumby	90 1-3
D. W. Brunson	90
Alta Mae Johnson	90
Robert McKissick	90
Velma Puckett	90

Magna Cum Laude (85 to 89)

Carroll Hill	89 5-6
Gladys Inman	89 5-6
Jewell Mosley	89 5-6
Junie Turker	89 5-6
Ralph Hearrell	89 3-5
Johnie Preston	89 1-3
Inabeth Whitefield	89 1-3
Ora Mae Parks	89
Thomas Inman	88 5-6
Truman Nance	88 5-6
Esten Shumate	88 5-6
Mabel Holt	88 1-3
Ben Wall	88 1-6
Martin Bradford	88
H. C. Garrard	87 4-5
Fred Girdley	87 3-5
Tommie Smith	87 3-5
Eulalia Whitefield	87 2-5
Harwell Whitmire	87 2-5
Witzel Whitmire	87 2-5
Annie Lee Brunson	87 1-3
T. T. Garrard	87 1-5
Jim Flanagan	87 1-6
Benjamin Anthony	87
Melba Baker	86 4-5
Lucile Thomas	86 4-5
Delia Bradshaw	86 1-2
Virginia Coyle	86 1-6
Bernice Henry	86
Robert Hord	86
Hattie Mae Trammell	86
Wesley Henry	85 5-6
Leslie Pollard	85 5-6
Ruth Blakeney	85 2-3
Benjamin Hutcheson	85 2-3
Etta Locklar	85 1-2
Eulalia Beacham	85 2-5
Glenn Stegall	85 2-5
Austin Henson	85 1-5
Gusta Hartgrove	85 1-6
Aleene Boone	85
Ainslee Estes	85

SOUTH WARD

Summa Cum Laude (90 or More)	
Bush Jones	95
Jessie Mae Estes	94 1-6
Dorothy Manning	93 3-5
Kitta Belle Wolcott	93 1-3
Jeanette Waddell	92 4-5
Grady Henry	92 1-2
Florence Manning	92 1-3
Izetta Lee	92 1-6
Margaret Bradford	91 5-6
Dora Wall	91 2-3
Floyd Rhoden	91 3-5
Lillie Mae Norwood	91 1-3
C. H. DeVaney	91 1-5
Beatrice Logan	90 1-3
Mary D. Brown	90 1-3
Susan Cowden	90 1-3
Sidney House	90
Louis Thomas	90
L. P. Walker	90
Katie Anderson	90
Ellen Potter	90
Scharbauer Eidson	90

Magna Cum Laude (85 to 89)

Carroll Tignor	89 1-2
James Miller	89 1-2
J. C. Roberts	89 1-3
Evelyn Scarborough	89 1-6
Chester Anderson	89
Lela Irwin	89
Ike Ethridge	88 1-2
Elizabeth McKissick	88 1-3
Lynch King	88 1-5
Ray Gwyn	88 1-6
Roy Jones	87 5-6
Hilliard Terry	87 5-6
Ernest Locklar	87 5-6
Louise Hill	87 1-2
Iola Lee	87 1-2
T. J. Stokes	87 1-2
Alice Mae Patton	87 2-5
Paul Terry	87 1-5
Hazel Hill	87 1-5
Beulah Henry	86 5-6
Alice Houston	86 5-6
Glorain Crosslett	86 2-3
Virgie Locklar	86 1-2
Lola Fox	86 1-3
Geneva Shaw	86 1-3
Thomas Aycock	86
Ellis Locklar	85 5-6
Clinton Dumagan	85 5-6
H. B. Dorsey	85 5-6
Bernice Hill	85 3-5
Thelma Richardson	85 1-2
Kenneth Johnson	85 1-2
Burette Karkalits	85 1-2
Truett DeVaney	85 1-6
Hazel Foster	85 1-6
Pearl Wimberly	85 1-6
Eloise Jones	85
Gordon Jones	85
Paul Hedges	85

—Pay The President—

Mrs. Isley's Letter.
In a recent letter Mrs. D. W. Isley, of Litchfield, Ill., says, "I have used Chamberlain's Tablets for disorders of the stomach and as a laxative, and have found them a quick and sure relief." If you are troubled with indigestion or constipation these tablets will do you good.
—Pay The President—

WHEN YOU ENROLL:

- ◆ Be sure to get your button,
- ◆ Be sure to get your flag,
- ◆ Be sure to get your stamps,
- ◆ Be sure to use them all.

NOW IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY

To Get In **BURKBURNETT-MIDLAND OIL COMPANY** 500 Shares
With the **\$100 Each**

---who own a five-acre lease in the very center of the proven oil field of burkburnett, where wells on all sides are producing from 500 to 1500 barrels per day at 1400 to 1700 feet depth, and 25 to 70 barrels at 300 to 700 ft. depth.

This Company is being promoted by Col. S. L. McDonald, an experienced oil man of Wichita Falls, Texas, who has had ten years experience in the various oil fields of Texas and Oklahoma, associated with cattlemen and business men of West Texas.

Derrick now being built and drilling will begin as soon as rig can be secured.

Invest your money where \$100 will yield from \$100 to \$400 in three or four months. Past history of the Burkburnett fields has proven it. \$100 invested in this Company will yield \$60 per month with only 500 barrels per day production. \$1000 at the same rate will yield \$600 per month. Numbers of wells in the field are paying 100 per cent dividends within 30 days after well is completed. Stock often sells at \$200 to \$500 per share before well is completed. A few Liberty Bonds might be taken in payment of stock.

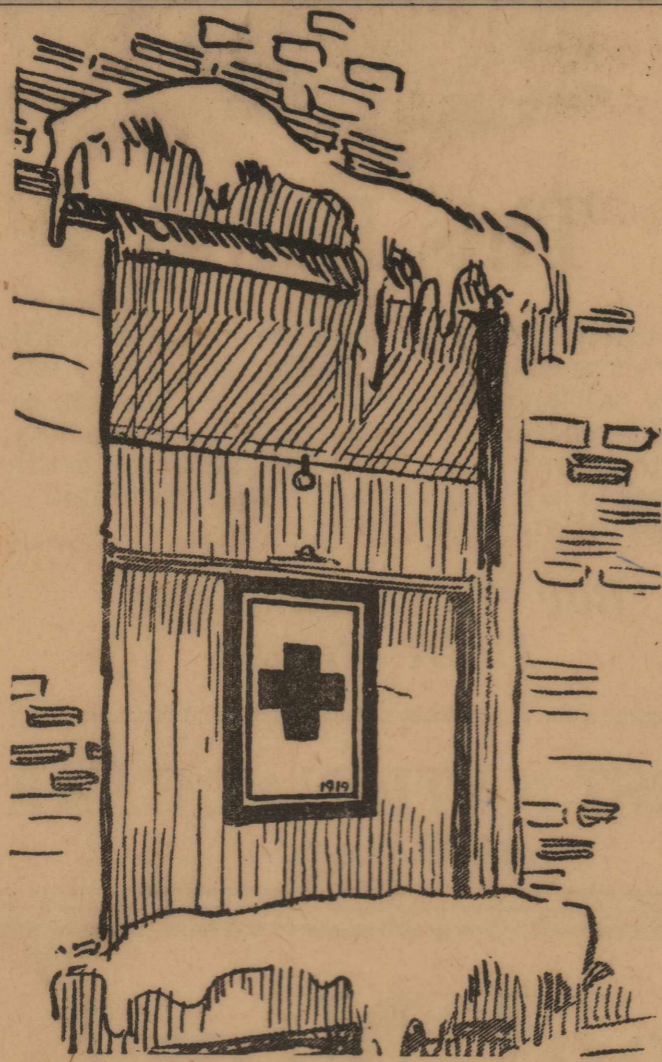
Only a Limited Amount of Stock in
our Company for Sale

I. J. C. Wharton, hereby certify that I own stock in two oil companies in the Burkburnett oil field, one of which companies has notified me they will pay 100 per cent dividends the first 21 days the well is operated, and the other will pay 120 per cent the first 30 days. As the Burkburnett-Midland Company has sufficient ground for two wells this proposition should be twice as good as the two companies referred to.
J. C. WHARTON.

Burkburnett-Midland Oil Company

MIDLAND, TEXAS

SAM PRESTON, Sec'y.-Treas.



Fly
your
flag—

The work of the Red Cross *must* go on—it will go on, and you must make it possible.

This is Red Cross Week. It is the only opportunity you will have to join the Red Cross, for the year 1919, or to renew your old membership.

As soon as you join and get your flag, put it in the front window of your home—let all the world know you are a member of that great organization of humanity and that you are *proud* to belong.

Join the Red Cross
—all you need is a heart and a dollar

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GUARANTY CATTLE LOAN COMPANY

Join



Make this a Red Cross Christmas

The happiest, merriest Christmas the world ever knew is almost here. But in the rejoicings of peace and freedom there is one note of seriousness, that America must not forget—there is misery and distress and sickness in war-torn Europe. Relief must be given. The work of the Red Cross **MUST** go on. And to carry on, the Red Cross **MUST** have the support of your membership.

Join the Red Cross
—all you need is a heart and a dollar

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You get a button, too, when you join. WEAR THAT ON YOUR COAT.

Red Cross workers have definite instructions not to encourage any one to join more than once.

When you wear your button, it lets those workers know you belong—then they won't ask you again.

Add a small Red Cross on your flag for each one of your family who is a 1919 member.



"GOOD WORK!"



Wear your button
It is evidence that you have placed your stamp of approval on the excellent work which the American Red Cross has done—and will continue to do.

The Red Cross badge of membership is a delight to the soul of the man in khaki, or navy blue. He knows its true significance in war as well as peace.

So do the thousands of American mothers and wives and sisters who have had their loved ones with the colors.

So do the hundreds of thousands of men, women, and children of war-torn Belgium, France, Italy, Roumania, Serbia, Russia, Palestine and wherever Red Cross work has been going on.

It is up to every man and woman in free and happy America to see to it personally that the American Red Cross continues to carry on its great work of love and humanity.

Join the Red Cross

- all you need is a heart and a dollar

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SOUTH PLAINS CATTLE LOAN COMPANY

Get the Xmas Spirit

IN compliance with the times we are here as usual with the greatest variety of gifts in Midland, for Mother, Father, Sister, Brother, Sweetheart and Soldier Boy.

While our stock is not as large as usual, we can convince you we have the real values and the appropriate gifts for all.

Especially, get our price on Jewelry. Every article has our personal guarantee behind it.

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OUR REPAIR DEPARTMENT is unsurpassed in the West, with Expert Workmen in charge. Prepared to handle all repair work.

REMEMBER THE PLACE--Big Fireproof Garage just South of the Court House. Plenty of free air for your tires.

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Phone 46

EASING THE CARES OF SOLDIERS' FAMILIES

The ten thousand Home Service Sections of the American Red Cross, in their work of looking after the families of the enlisted men, are doing wonders for the morale of the army. Our fighters are not men who are going to worry about themselves, but if they do not get cheerful letters from home, or if anything goes wrong there, they are going to worry, and that delicate thing the army men call morale is going to be disturbed. It is to safeguard against this and also to prevent needless suffering and to promote that spirit of neighborliness and kindly aid that finds each community into an organic whole that the Home Service was organized.

Over 50,000 workers are serving on these ten thousand committees, which reach into every corner of the country, wherever remote. Not a town or village or crossroads that is not within reach of the Red Cross; not a wife or child or mother of a man in service who cannot claim the ready aid of the Red Cross workers.

More than 300,000 families of American soldiers and sailors have been relieved of money troubles, legal difficulties and worries of all sorts by the protecting arm of the Red Cross. If the allowances of allotments under the War Risk Insurance law do not come the matter is at once referred to Red Cross Headquarters, taken up with the proper government bureau and promptly straightened out. If, through the delay, the family finds itself in need of money sums are advanced to tide it over until the allotment arrives. During July over sixty thousand inquiries of this kind were received, and more than a third of these were taken care of through to headquarters before they could be straightened out.

FOR ITALY'S BABIES.

Motherhood in Italy just now is not the joy that it might be, for the poor women are at their wits ends to clothe the children already in the family, not to mention the preparation for the little newcomers. Perhaps the most appreciated gifts of the American Red Cross at this time are the layettes which are being given to the mothers of Italy. Each layette consists of twenty-four pieces and includes four bright colored swathing bands, so dear to the heart of the Italian woman. Twenty layettes a week are needed at Chioggia alone.

See that new picture moulding at Basham, Shepherd & Company's; some very handsome patterns to select from. adv 50tf

What Our Boys Fought For

They fought for DECENCY—for RIGHT—for JUSTICE. And they fought for WOMEN—and LITTLE CHILDREN—and HUMANITY. And they fought for the great underlying principle of all—for HOME! They fought—and they suffered and they died—for the COMFORT and the PROTECTION of a HOME: not merely for SHELTER.

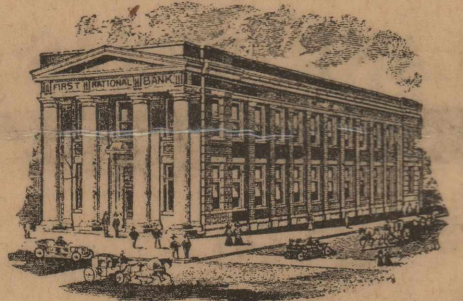
Let's make it a real "HOME-COMING," not a "Shack Visit!" They saw enough of that over there. They fought for us—we can surely build for them.

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LEE BRADSHAW, Local Manager.

Remember Red Cross Christmas Roll Call Week.



This Bank

Stands committed to the vast undertaking of assisting our citizenship to successfully "go over the top" at every patriotic opportunity, with the least possible interference or inconvenience to this community, and with never a forgetfulness of the tremendously large task of justly aiding to the uttermost limit its large host of customer-friends.

Buy War Savings and Thrift Stamps

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OF MIDLAND, TEXAS

Buy Coal Now!

This is urged as a patriotic necessity. Be assured of this, prices are regulated by the Fuel Administrator, and the

Margin of Profit is Small

Let me fill your order direct from the car. I shall do my best to supply your needs this winter and with your co-operation will succeed.

Then Order Now!

My business is wholly governed by the rules of the Fuel Administrator, and this notice to you is purely for your advantage.

W. P. NUGENT

Phone 216

The Red Cross Ready for Peace

THE following message has been telegraphed by the War Council of the American Red Cross to each one of the 3,857 chapters:

"On February 10th, last year, nearly six weeks before the United States declared war, National Red Cross Headquarters advised its chapters to prepare for war. That which has followed in the record of the Red Cross in helping to win this war and to relieve the suffering growing out of it, constitutes something of which every American citizen has a right to be proud. Every American Red Cross worker must feel a sense of gratitude in having had a share in it all.

"The moment is now come to prepare for peace. Until peace is really here and our soldiers home there can be no relaxation in any Red Cross effort incident to active hostilities.

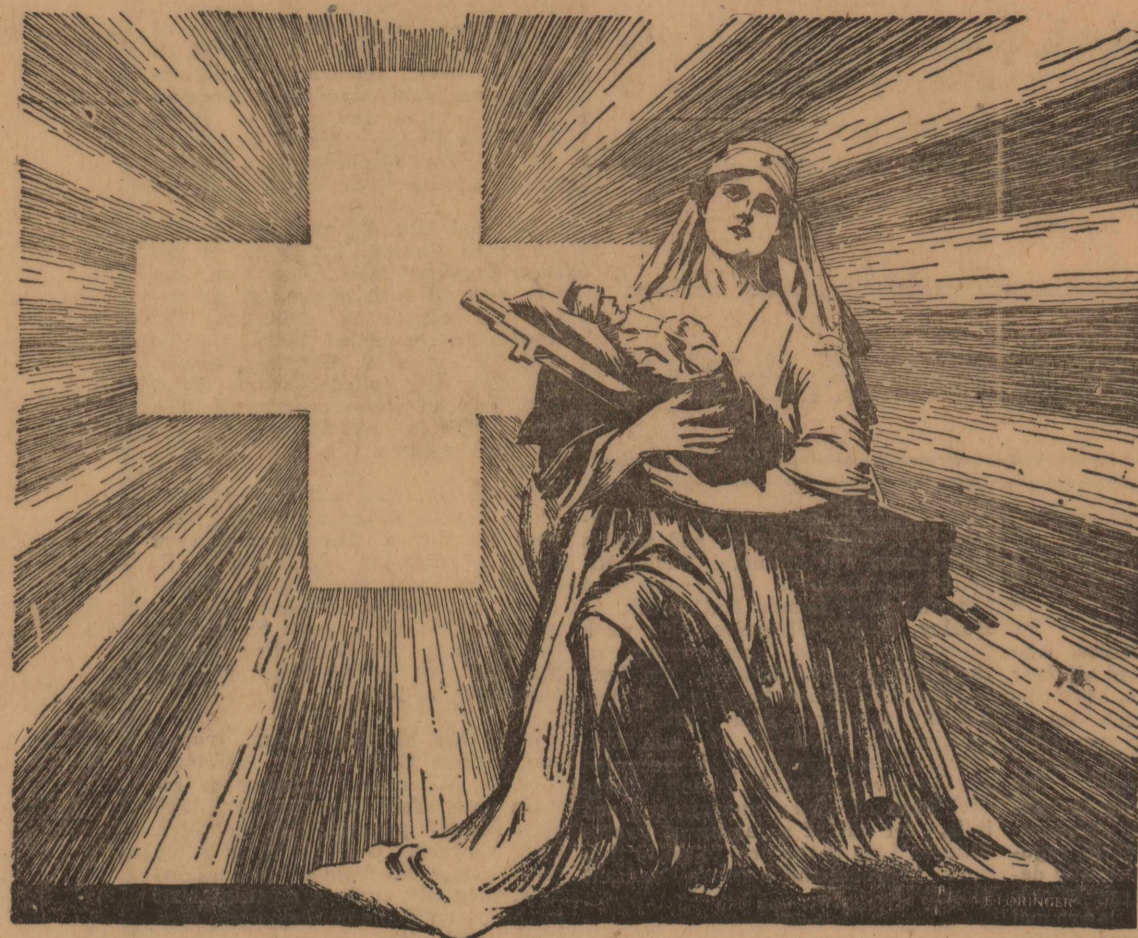
"But even with peace, let no one suppose that the work of the Red Cross is finished. Millions of American boys are still under arms. Thousands of them are sick and wounded. Owing to the shortage in shipping, it may take a year or more to bring our boys home from France. But whatever the time, our protecting arms must be about them and their families over the whole period which must elapse before the normal life of peace can be resumed.

"Our soldiers and sailors are enlisted until the Commander-in-Chief tells them there is no more work for them to do in the war. Let every Red Cross member and worker—and this means both men and women—show our returning soldiers and sailors that to care for their health, welfare and happiness we are enlisted for no less period than they are.

"The cessation of war will reveal a picture of misery such as the world has never seen before, especially in the many countries which cannot help themselves. The American people will expect the Red Cross to continue to act as their agent in repairing broken spirits and broken bodies. Peace terms and peace conditions will determine how we may best minister to the vast stricken areas which have been harrowed by war, and for this great act of mercy the heart and spirit of the American people must continue to be mobilized through the American Red Cross.

"On behalf of the War Council, we accordingly ask each member of our splendid body of workers throughout the land to bear in mind the solemn obligation which rests upon each one to 'carry on.' We cannot abate one instant in our efforts or in our spirits. There will be abundance of work to do, and specific advices will be given, but even at the moment of peace let no Red Cross worker falter.

"Our spirits must now call us to show that not the roar of cannon or the blood of our own alone directs our activities, but that a great people will continue to respond greatly and freely to its obligations and opportunity to serve."



The Work of the Red Cross must go on

Distress calls!

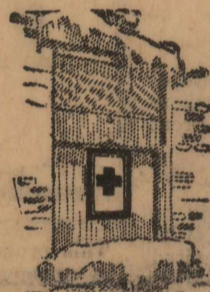
The misery and sickness and destitution throughout the world make relief work necessary, on a scale never before dreamed of.

When distress calls, the Greatest Mother in the World answers "HERE!"

Now, the Red Cross calls!

The annual Christmas Roll Call of members echoes throughout the land this week.

When your name is called, you are going to answer "HERE!"—because you know your duty, and you'll do it.



Put your flag in your window



Wear your membership button

Join the Red Cross
-all you need is a heart and a dollar

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

You are hereby commanded to summon R. E. H. Morgan by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, to appear at the next regular term of the Justice Court of Precinct No. 1, Midland County, to be held at the court house thereof in Midland, Texas, on the last Monday in December, A. D. 1918, the same being the 30th day of December, A. 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 legally assessed thereon for said years; that the defendant permitted the taxes thereon for the year 1917 to become 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 plaintiff 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. Plaintiff sues for judgment for the sum of \$101.22, and costs of suit. Herein fail not, but have before said court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return

thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand, at office in Midland, Texas, this the 3rd day of December, A. D. 1918.

R. E. CROWLEY,
Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 1,
Midland County, Texas. 9-4t

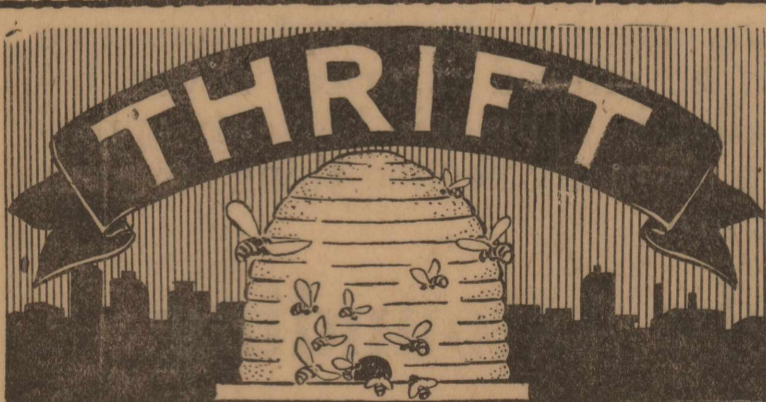
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SOCIETY

By L. G. W., Phone 83

The Wednesday Club ladies, who last winter zealously devoted all their energies to war relief work, have this season again seriously taken up a study course, together with war work, from which they expect to derive much pleasure and benefit. The course which they are going to pursue is Historical Events. Wednesday afternoon the club met in regular session and had a wonderfully delightful meeting with Mrs. W. H. Cowden as hostess. Mrs. DeArmond was the leader and also read a very interesting paper discussing the Czecho-Slovaks. Mrs. Chancellor's paper, too, was helpful and profitable. Mrs. Margaret Watts then read the New Declaration of Independence recently written by the Czecho-Slovaks, when they very properly seceded from the Central powers. At the conclusion of the business hour, Mrs. Cowden in her usual hospitable and gracious manner served most delightful refreshments. The club adjourned not to meet again until in January.

Rah-Rah Boys and Girls Coming Home.

Next week that especially delightful contingent known as the College Bunch will be coming home for the holidays and the society editor will appreciate it very much, if your son or daughter is coming in, or if you expect to have any other Christmas guest, you will kindly phone her about it. It is certainly a courtesy you are due your guest, and will make your town paper much more interesting and spicy. We cannot keep up with everything, and everybody, and people are just so negligent about reporting these things. We have been reading of and doing so much war relief work the past few months, and now that it has abated somewhat, it is highly expedient that you take up this phase of "relief" work and co-operate with your home paper. Don't be a "tightwad" with your affairs, but if you are going on a trip, going to have guests or do anything let us have it.

Mrs. Anna Holland, of Brownwood, mother of Miss Lena Holland, of Mid-

land College, Misses Loree McCormick, of Dallas, Maggie and Gladys McCormick, of Mineral Wells, Mr. and Mrs. Clayborn McCormick, of Hurley, N. M., all arrived this week to await the sad home-coming of their nephew and brother, Mr. Lyle McCormick, whose body will arrive, possibly, tomorrow from Utah, where he died last Monday of influenza. Much sincere sympathy is accorded the bereaved family during these dark days of weary waiting, and sad it is, for out of a family of twelve children Lyle is the first to go to that land "beyond the sunset's radiant glow."

Honoring Mrs. W. A. Holloway.

Circle No. 1 of the Baptist Ladies' Auxiliary had a special meeting last Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. H. Epley honoring Mrs. W. A. Holloway, who left the middle part of the week for Long Beach, California, where she and her husband expect to reside permanently. Mrs. Holloway's many cherished friends, and she numbered them by her acquaintances, deeply regret her moving. She is a character of singular unselfishness and readiest self-sacrifice, and a person who never knew what it was to spare herself when there was a demand for toil and sacrifice. With no loud professions, she is always ready for every good word and work and makes the impression upon all, and most deeply upon those who know her best, that religion is the strength of her life. For she is a fervently devout Christian.

We wish this grand old couple every success in their new home, and hope it will be possible for them to visit us often.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Neblitt are expected to arrive tomorrow night, after an absence of about three months. Mr. Neblitt passed his examinations to enter the officers' training camp at Waco, but was delayed such a long time in the quarantine at San Antonio that he only arrived in Waco the day before the armistice was signed. Like all these other fine American lads, Mr. Neblitt proved that his heart was "all wool and a yard wide," and we are happy to welcome him and his young wife home.

Christmas Box For the Orphans.

The members of the Baptist Ladies' Auxiliary are planning to send a Christmas box to Buckner Orphans Home next week. They ask that every member who possibly can contribute something toward the box, and also that each one send her contribution to Mrs. J. B. Rhea or Mrs. N. W. Bigham, chairmen of the respective circles.

Mrs. Josie Quebedeaux, who has been for the past several months visiting her son, Mr. Claud Quebedeaux, a prominent young civil engineer of Charleston, S. C., was in Midland all of last week renewing "old acquaintance" and attending to business matters. She was en route to El Paso to visit for a season her eldest son, Mr. Tom Quebedeaux, a leading banker of the Border City.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ingham were called to Gordon last week to see their daughter, Miss Annie Mae, who was very ill with pneumonia following an attack of influenza. Dr. Thomas accompanied them, and he and Mr. Ingham returned Sunday, reporting the sufferer some better. Mrs. Ingham will remain until Miss Annie Mae is sufficiently able to be brought home.

Mr. R. H. Chancellor, of Wichita Falls, was in Midland Tuesday, stopping off for a few hours between trains to visit his son, Mr. W. R. Chancellor, and family. Mr. Chancellor, Sr., was en route to Los Angeles, where he expects to remain two or three months. We regret that his visit to our little city was necessarily so brief.

Mrs. Otis M. Means and young son, Master Cole Cowden, of Silver City, N. M., arrived Monday to remain until after the holidays with Mrs. Means' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Cowden. Until Master Allen Cowden recovers from influenza, however, they will enjoy a pleasant visit in the pretty home of their aunt, Mrs. Chas. Goldsmith.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Scharbauer, after a most delightful visit to Dallas, where they attended the Baptist convention, and to Fort Worth to hear Billy Sunday, returned home Monday on No. 25.

Miss Jerra Edwards, who has been a student of Kidd-Key this winter, arrived home for the holidays Tuesday, and Wednesday, accompanied by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Edwards, Misses Lorene Edwards and Alma Williams, she went to the ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Girdley returned from Fort Worth Monday, where they had been to attend the great Billy Sunday campaign.

Presbyterian Church.
The services at this church will be conducted at the usual hours. Visitors in the city are cordially invited to all of them.
Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.
Morning worship at 11 o'clock. Subject of sermon by the pastor, "The Power to Live Again."
Evening worship at 7 o'clock.
Prayermeeting Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

First Christian Church
Unified or continuous service beginning at 9:45 and closing at 11:30 a. m. Talks to the children by President Jones and by the minister. The children will sing, also special anthem by the choir. Preaching at the evening service, beginning at 7. Double quartet will sing. All cordially invited.
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Beautiful, bright Hair Bows, Furs, pretty Shoes in Patent or Kid, fancy Handkerchiefs, or a piece of Ivory.

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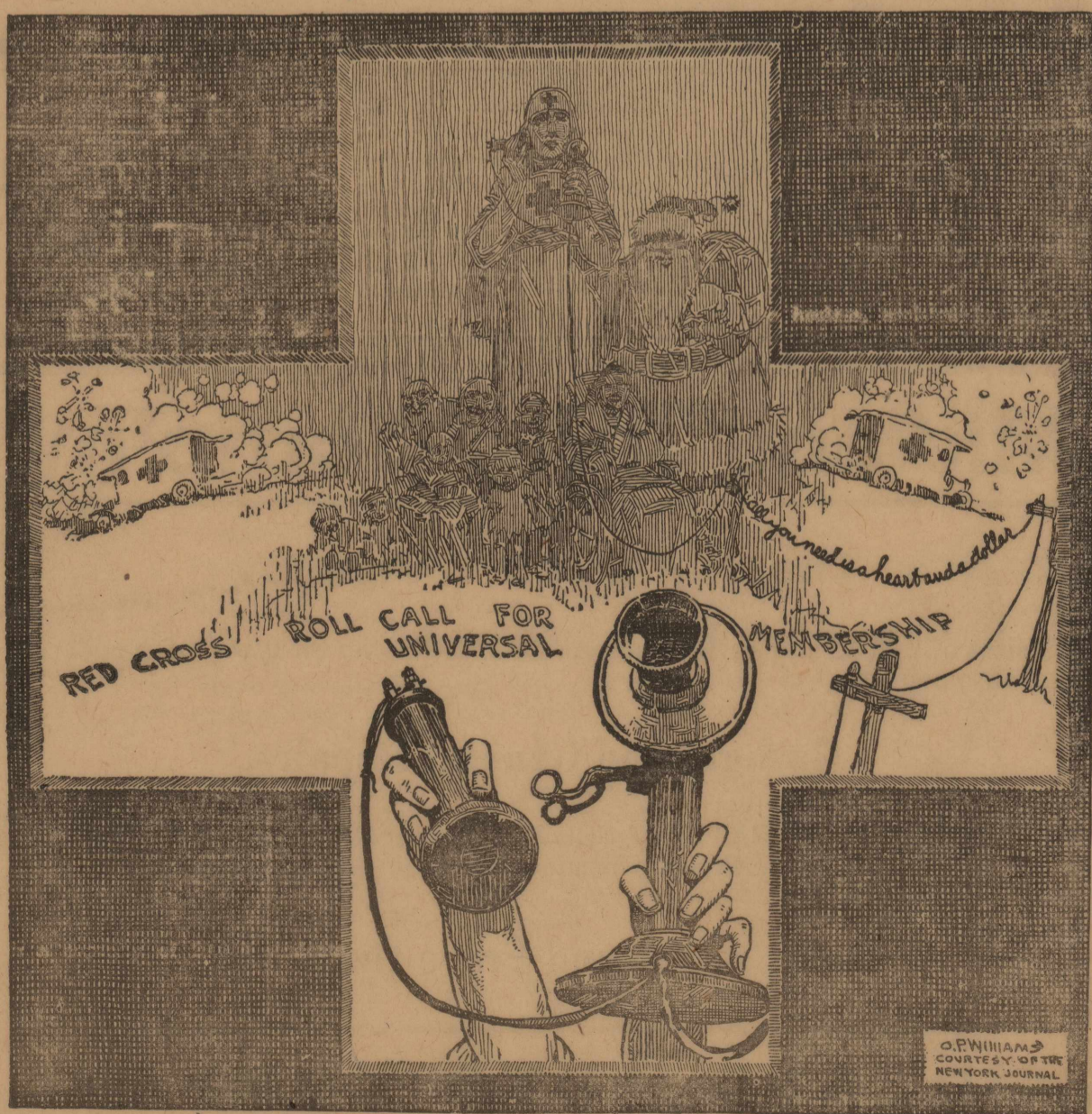
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