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WHEAT PRICE SET AT \$2.20 BUSHEL

Washington, Sept. 2.—By proclamation issued today, President Wilson set \$2.20 a bushel as the minimum price guaranteed by the government for the 1919 wheat crop.

A disinterested commission, the president stated, will be appointed next spring to see whether the increased cost of farm labor and supplies would justify an increase above that price.

Possibility of peace before the middle of 1920 was indicated in a memorandum written by the president and accompanying the proclamation, as a factor in determination of the president to maintain the present price of the 1919 crop.

"In giving a guaranteed price for wheat one year in advance (the only industry guaranteed by the government) there is involved a considerable national risk," the president said. "If there should be peace or increased shipping available before the middle of 1920, Europe will naturally supply itself from the large stores of much cheaper wheat now in the southern hemisphere, and, therefore, the government is undertaking a risk which in such an event result in national loss of as much as \$500,000,000 through an unsalable surplus, or in any event, in maintaining a high level of price to our own people for a long period subsequent to freedom in the world's markets."

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO OUR READERS

Effective September 15, the Messenger will comply with the request of the War Industries Board to conserve print paper. In order to do this, the board says we must discontinue subscriptions at expiration or soon thereafter, and stop all subscriptions that are in arrear September 15. It is too expensive to mail each subscriber an expiration notice, so we ask that you watch the expiration date on the margin of your paper and renew your subscription a few weeks before expiration.

OUR HONOR ROLL

Our subscribers are asked to remember that beginning September 15 all subscriptions in arrears will be cut off; also that hereafter all subscriptions will be discontinued at expiration. Watch the date on the margin of your paper and renew promptly. The following have renewed since last issue:

Frank Allen, Connor Denson, Mrs. A. A. Allen, W. A. Shaver, Grapeland.

J. D. Haltom, Route 1.
G. H. Ivey, J. C. Green, Rte. 2.
E. L. Frisby, Route 4.
Laney Johnston, Percilla.
T. A. Colvin, Slocum.
C. A. Campbell, Salmon.
Wm. Murchison (col.) Route 3.

Mrs. J. R. Richards is spending the week in Madisonville visiting her daughter, Mr. Ory Heath.

CUSTOMS OFFICER ON BORDER SLAIN

Brownsville, Texas, Sept. 2.—Customs Officer Fred Tate was shot and instantly killed by an alleged Mexican smuggler last night on the main road two miles north of Brownsville. Tate and two other officers stopped a wagon on the road for the purpose of searching it.

As the officers stepped from their car the shooting started from the roadside. Tate was shot through the head. This is the second officer killed by smugglers in this section within a fortnight. Ranger Joe Shaw was shot and killed on August 22.

LATEXO POSTOFFICE BEEN DISCONTINUED

The Latexo postoffice has been discontinued and the former patrons of the office will be served from Crockett on Routes 1 and 6.

When the wolf comes to the door it doesn't bother to disguise itself in sheep's clothing.

FRENCH CAPTURE MOST PRISONERS

Paris, Sept. 2.—The allied forces on the western front have taken a total of 128,302 prisoners since July 15, it was announced in an official statement today. In the same period 2069 guns, 1734 mine throwers and 13,783 machine guns were captured.

On the French front 75,900 prisoners and 700 guns had been captured by the French since July 18, it is announced today.

LEAGUE PROGRAM SUNDAY, SEP. 8.

Leader—Dorothy Darsey.
Song by League.
Prayer.
Roll call—Response by Bible quotations.
Subject of lesson—"The Parable of the Sower." Luke 8:4-15.
Song—Frances Stafford.
Lesson discussed by League.
Recitation—Ardis Murray.
Song by League.
League benediction.
Pay the President!

Style For Fall, 1918



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STATE AND GENERAL NEWS

Great Britain has raised 7,000,000 men for the war, 5,000,000 of whom are fighting on foreign soil.

Liberty Bonds of the first issue have sold during the past week above par in open market of New York.

The roll of honor of former students of the University of Texas who are in the army now number considerably more than two thousand young men. Most of these soldiers are already in France.

This year's seed crop of western yellow pine is unusually abundant in California, and an effort is to be made by forest officers to gather large quantities of the seed for use in the reforestation work of the Forest Service. Western yellow pine is one of the most important sources of the country's timber supply.

Palestine, Texas, Aug. 28.—The work or fight order is to be enforced in Palestine, the community labor board determining that men who are not at work or in nonessential occupations must help their government at this time by doing something to help win the war. A number of men here are not at work, and it will be up to them to be busy at once.

Fairfield, Texas, Aug. 28.—Frank Wallace and Alvin Henry, two white men, were sentenced to death in district court here Tuesday for the murder of Constable Bragg Dunbar after a trial lasting two days. Dunbar was shot and killed by the men, who made their escape into the Trinity River bottom and were finally captured a week later by a posse in Houston county and brought back here.

Bryan, Texas, Aug. 28.—The State gin inspector visited Bryan this week and closed down the gin of Joe Pollattz, three miles east of Bryan. This action was taken because of rebating to his patrons in order to give them a lower price than that fixed by the State food administration. This is the same gin that was leased a short time ago by some 50 Italians who were running it on the co-operative plan, but were stopped by the district food administrator.

At the request of General Allenby, commander of the allied forces which took Jerusalem, the American Red Cross has taken over two orphan asylums in that city. The institutions house 200 children. A report on what the American Red Cross is doing in Palestine shows that thousands of Armenian refugees are being cared for in addition to many homeless families in and near Jerusalem. Three hundred Russian refugees also are being cared for by the American Red Cross at Port Said, the report says.

Austin, Texas, Aug. 30.—The new Texas game law relating to the shooting of doves is to be strictly enforced by the game, fish and oyster commission and, according to Chief Deputy Com-

missioner Bailey, orders have been sent to every deputy game warden in the State to arrest and prosecute all violators of this law. Under the law as amended by the last legislature the open season for shooting doves does not begin until December 1. Under the old law the open season started September 1. The federal game law allows the shooting of doves beginning September 1, but this law, according to a recent opinion by Attorney General Looney, has been held unconstitutional by federal and State courts, and for that reason, in the opinion of the attorney general, the State law should be respected. The Texas game, fish and oyster commission will follow on the attorney general's ruling.

Washington, Aug. 28.—Shipments from the drouth affected regions of Texas and Oklahoma to pasture land in Pennsylvania, Virginia and other Eastern States will be encouraged by both the railroad and food administrations, according to announcement Wednesday. The railroad administration recently ordered a 25 per cent reduction on the rates on cattle shipments from the two States. The food administration has instructed State and local administrators in Texas and Oklahoma to assist Eastern buyers in the dry districts.

Palestine, Texas, Aug. 30.—Two hundred thousand dollars will be released by the citizens of this city for the construction of a fireproof office building to be used by the International & Great Northern Railroad for its general offices if the railroad company wants such a building here and will bring the offices back to this city. The above offer was wired to Carl E. Gray, director of transportation, by the citizens' committee of this city last night. The offer was made at the suggestion of Director Lancaster, who was here in conference with the business men several days ago.

Washington, Aug. 28.—Orders were issued by the war department Wednesday for federalization of the 4th and 5th regiments of the Texas National Guard cavalry brigades. These two regiments were the last of six regiments in the two brigades to receive federal recognition. Both brigades with headquarters have now received federal recognition. As soon as the two new infantry brigades now in process of formation are organized the war department will detail army officers to inspect the commands with a view to also taking them into the federal service.

Washington, Aug. 28.—While the request of the fuel administration regarding the laying up of automobile, motor boats and motorcycles on Sundays applies only to the territory east of the Mississippi, A. C. Bedford, chairman of the national petroleum war committee, says that within a week or a little more the Sunday conservation of gasoline might be made applicable to the whole country. "Producers and refiners," Mr. Bedford continued, "in the territory west of the Mississippi now are making a careful survey of the whole situation, and unless it is possible to obtain from them a sufficient supply of gasoline the whole country will be obliged to stop

its Sunday motoring. This season is to the gasoline industry what the middle of the winter is to the coal trade—it represents the peak load of consumption. This period of peak load, however, is not to be an extended one and the precautionary step now taken as a safeguard against any possible shortage of gasoline for our war program need not necessarily be of long duration."

Baltimore, Md., Aug. 28.—United States Senator Ollie M. James, Kentucky, died at 6:55 o'clock this morning at the Johns Hopkins Hospital here. For several months the Kentucky Senator had been a patient at the hospital, suffering from stomach trouble. As a political leader, James had few peers. When a young man of 25 he attended his first Democratic National Convention. He presided over the conventions in Baltimore in 1912 and in St. Louis four years later. James was by far the biggest man there from the physical viewpoint. Standing over six feet, with massive frame, he attracted attention wherever he went. He was admitted to the bar when 20 years old, and was but 47 when he died.

American Government Sets the Pace that all Must Follow

Recent news dispatches from Washington shows tremendously increased activities on the part of the various governmental departments, looking toward placing millions of men, beyond the first estimate, in France. The men in Class 1 are being called rapidly and the draft age being extended means thousands of places must be filled quickly in the business offices, because business must go on, supplies must be furnished both for the men at the front and the people who back them up at home. Boys who are not in the military age, men who are not physically fit to serve, and women whose husbands have gone to the front, and girls should consider this matter seriously and act quickly. Women and young men who possess the right training will receive a ready welcome in Government offices, banks, insurance offices, business houses and railroad offices. Whether you must earn your living or not, it is worth while to be able to do so and, in these strenuous days of war conditions, thousands of women and young men will patriotically fill these positions vacated by their brothers and husbands who have gone and are going. Efficient preparation counts in making your time valuable to yourself and your services valuable to your country. The newspapers from day to day show this need. Will you spend a few months with the Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas, America's largest commercial school, and secure the training that will fit you for doing, in the best way, the work that is so urgently demanded, by taking Bookkeeping, Shorthand, Business Administration and Finance, Cotton Classing and Telegraphy? Fill in and send for free catalogue. Enlist now and do your bit.

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D. B. Osborne, Chairman Soil Improvement Committee, Atlanta, Ga.

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Of twelve most important Food Crops, the entire country gained in planted acreage in 1917 over acreage of 1914—26,124,000 acres.

Of this gain the Southern States increased 14,965,000 acres or 57 per cent of the whole.

Of the individual crops the South gained:

In Wheat—1,976,000 acres, or 56 per cent of the whole.
In Corn—6,582,000 acres, or 41 per cent of the whole.
In Other Food Crops—6,407,000 acres, or 37 per cent of the whole.

Of the Fall wheat acreage of 1918 there was an increase of 3,067,000 acres, of which the South gained 2,332,000 acres, or 76 per cent.

But we can do still better in 1919.

Let's back up Our Boys in France. It is no less our duty to furnish them and our allies food than it is their duty to fight. We are raising this fall an ample cotton crop to clothe and provide edible fats and oils for our boys. Let us raise a big grain crop next spring to help feed them.

It can be done. The labor requirements are comparatively small, and the acre yields may be increased with good seed, a well prepared seed bed and a liberal application of proper fertilizers.

FOULNESS AND CRUELTY

No one complains because the Germans tear up roads and destroy all buildings of military value on their retreat. We should do the same under the same circumstances. It is a natural and proper precaution—so far as war is proper at all.

But can anyone imagine a British, French, Italian or American army cutting down or girding every tree in a peasant's little orchard, or sowing salt at the root of the vines? Can anyone imagine the men of these armies blowing up pastures with dynamite, so as to ruin the top soil for years to come? Can you picture them leaving bombs with time fuses set to explode after the civil population got back to the devastated area, or chopping up all the furniture in abandoned houses or defiling paintings and tapestries with their filth, or using wells as latrines?

You can not. In matters like these kultur stands alone and unapproached.

Foulness and cruelty have done as much to make Germany an outcast among nations as the limitless ambition and incalculable theachery of her rulers—and there is no way of transferring all the guilt of this foulness and cruelty to the kaiser and his junkers. They have taught it to be sure, but they seem to have found willing and apt pupils.—Chicago Journal.

Pay the President!

ITCH!

Hunt's Salve, formerly called Hunt's Cure is especially compounded for the treatment of Itch, Eczema, Ring worm, and Tetter, and is sold by the druggist on the strict guarantee that the purchase price, 75c, will be promptly refunded to any dissatisfied customer. Try Hunt's Salve at our risk. For sale locally by

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WADE L. SMITH, SPECIAL AGENT

**REGISTRATION DAY
IS SEPTEMBER 12**

Men 18 to 45 (both inclusive), except those previously registered, attention! Your country calls! Do not let her call in vain.

Whether you were born in America or in some foreign country; whether you have a large family or are unmarried; whether you work on the farm or in the shops—no matter who or what you are, unless you are in service, if you are between these ages you must register on September 12.

If you shirk your duty not only will you be in personal danger of arrest and severe punishment, but your country will be in danger. For as Chief of Staff Peyton C. March says, "The only way that Germany can be whipped is by America going into this war with her whole strength!"

The first draft obtained almost three million men. Two million more are needed. "With an American army of 4,000,000 men," says General March, "we can go through the German line wherever we please."

To get the rest of this five million, all men between the ages noted above must register. There are about thirteen millions of these. But the draft boards will discard the unfit, those with large families and those in war industries—and leave a gigantic army of determined men who are ready to rid the world of the menace of the Huns.

The Government is very busy—it may be days before the reg-

istration can be checked up and it be determined whether or not YOU have registered. Don't wait for this "checking up"—act as a man should, and register on September 12 without further notice.

**ATTEMPTS TO EVADE
DRAFT ARE HOPELESS**

Washington, Sept. 1.—Attempts to evade registration on September 12 by men made subject to military service by the manpower bill fixing the draft age limits at 18 and 45 will be hopeless, Provost Marshal General Crowder's office asserted tonight in summarizing the Government's experience with the draft to date. Between 20,000 and 25,000 men failed to register in 1917. Measures to catch delinquents have improved with experience. Improvements and forfeiture of exemption rights immediately devolves upon willful slackers, the statement said. Canada is now automatically returning those who have fled there, or conscripting them into her own army.

Courts manifest no sympathy for evaders, said the statement, and women in all neighborhoods, especially those whose own relatives have gone into service, have been exceptionally active in turning over information to draft boards, police and federal officials, that has been used in prosecution.

Just bear in mind that when your conversation is worth listening to you will always have an audience.

**DESOLATION SITS
HEAVILY ON THE
WESTERN PLAINS**

Silent Caravans Move Out of Drouth Areas of Texas, Leaving Parched Land Possessions Behind.

Three years of drouth has placed a crown of thorns on the men, women and children of West Texas and without money, some without the very necessities of life, without food for their animals who are drawing them toward greener fields and richer harvests, the caravans of desolation are dragging their way into the cities of Fort Worth and Waco, and men who held high their heads in title and ownership are offering themselves "for sale" that they may sustain their women and children sheltered from the flaming sun by tarpaulins which have not felt the moisture of the skies for so long that the youngest of the caravan never saw rain.

"Heartrending" is the word that has come to Food Administrator Peden from the drouth area. Last year the farmers and the cattlemen braved it out. Surely nature, herself, could not be so cruel as to inflict upon them another year a scourge of intense heat and shriveling up of the plains; but this year there is nothing left to challenge a ravage of nature as relentless as the great guns in their devastating of the northern plains of France.

The situation is without the province of man and dollars. Rain has forgotten the plains, no clouds break the intensity of the blue, no refreshment comes in dew, no relief advances in a kindly mist or fog. All that can be done is to help the men and the women and the children as they come into Eastern Texas.

The Silent Exodus.

E. B. Spiller, secretary of the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas, reported that Fort Worth is crowded with wagons of "expatriates of the plains," and the same intelligence comes from Waco. On one day alone 125 families passed through Brownwood, and on another day 110 families passed through Goldthwaite.

On August 17 Administrator Peden wired to Governor Hobby on the situation:

"Drouth conditions now prevailing in Western Texas most serious in history of the country. Oldest inhabitants have no recollection of anything approaching it. Ten counties in the Brownwood district will not make an average of 500 bales of cotton per county as against normal production of 15,000 bales. Thousands of farmers and farm hands necessarily seeking other employment, and an average of 250 farmers a day are leaving the district.

"There is no grain crop. If we can get rains in the next 90 days, with proper State and Federal aid, farmers would be able to plant wheat and oats, but they must have this aid."

Similar conditions to that in the Brownwood section are reported to Administrator Peden from the district administrators at San Angelo and Amarillo, and a recitation of these conditions has been wired to Governor Hobby by the three administrators of Brownwood, San Angelo and Amarillo.

Trying to Help Them.

Administrator Peden is deeply concerned over the situation and has placed the facts before H. W. Lewis, chief of the United States employment service for Texas, at San Antonio, as well as directed letters to his county administrators urging that they give the extent of personal relief needed; also that wherever these unhappy families can be placed so as to gain a livelihood that immediate report be made.

**CLARK IS KNOWN
IN GRAPELAND**

Stanley J. Clark, one of the leaders of the Industrial Workers of the World, who was sentenced to five years in the federal penitentiary and fined \$10,000 in federal court at Chicago last Saturday, is widely known in Texas.

He lived at Jacksonville, and has spoken in GrapeLand on two or three occasions, and in various parts of the State. Two years ago he was the Socialist candidate for United States senator. He was regarded as an able speaker. Soon after war was declared he was arrested at Wichita Falls for making unpatriotic remarks.

Some men take so much time bragging about what they're going to do that they never seem to get the time to do it.

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Selective service is the own offspring of the American volunteer. It has neither exiled its sire, nor silenced his voice.

Selective service has but shifted the burden of the whole task of fighting for our country from volunteer shoulders and guided enthusiastic patriotism in the right channels towards the quickest and best results.

No! The day of the American volunteer is not past; for volunteer service is a matter of spirit—the willingness to do.

It can still speak; it can still act on the day of selective service registration.

The man who, on the day on which our country has commanded all men in America between the ages of 18 and 45, both inclusive, to register for selective service, rises eagerly, and hastens to place his name on selective service roll unless he has already registered, is an American volunteer.

He is as much an American volunteer as the men who shouldered a musket in 1776, or answered the first call in 1861.

A man volunteers in his heart. Selective service opens the way for him to serve where he is best needed, and when. It safeguards an over zealous spirit from trying to serve where it is of little use.

Let the volunteer spirit express itself among the men of America, whom our government has decided shall register for selective service. It will voice itself by the readiness and quickness of its response to the command of our country.

Our nation has set for itself a task of registering thirteen millions of men between the ages of 18 and 20 and 32 and 45 years. It will register them, only if America's volunteer spirit acts and speaks.

The need of the hour is a double quick response. Our country must add more than two million soldiers to the American army of today to beat the Hun back into his den.

It will pick these soldiers from the thirteen million men who register next Thursday, September 12.

Go to the registration place prepared to give the vital facts about yourself. Answer the questions of the registering boards. Don't ask questions. That will show a true volunteer spirit.

SCHOOL NOTES

The school board of the GrapeLand Independent District has set the 16th of September for the opening of school. The attendance for the coming session promises to be the largest in the history of the school. The patrons of the school are urged to be present for the opening exercises.

The faculty of the school for this year will be slightly different from that of last year. The faculty for this year is as follows:

High School—Miss Mary Bell Hill, Latin teacher; Miss Georgie Cooper, Primary and English teacher; S. R. LeMay, Supt., and Science Teacher.

Lower Grades — Miss Reta Hatchell, teacher of the first grade, Mrs. Murray, teacher of the second grade, Miss Blanche Kennedy, teacher of the third and fourth grades, Mrs. Stafford, teacher of the fifth and sixth grades.

An effort will be made this year to secure Class A recognition for the school and if this is accomplished graduates of the GrapeLand school will be admitted to the Universities and Colleges of the state without admission examinations.

The faculty will attend the district institute to be held this year at Huntsville on the 9th of September. If the school had an enrollment of 500 or over a separate local institute could have been held here in GrapeLand, but under the present law schools with less than 500 scholars the teachers must attend the institute as directed by the county superintendent.

Heartburn after a hearty meal means weakness in the digestive organs. Prickly Ash Bitters gives them strength, tones up the stomach and purifies the bowels. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Wade L. Smith, Special Agent.

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THURSDAY, SEPT. 5, 1918

EMPEY'S MISTAKE

Hundreds of people in this section will learn with regret that the once popular war idol, Arthur Guy Empey, author of "Over the Top" and noted platform lecturer, is now in bad repute with the American army.

Empey waxed rich through his good fortune in being the first man back from the trenches to capitalize his experiences. He visited many parts of the country and his lecture proceeds added materially to the royalty on his book. Later he was taken by the movie people, and the steady flow of yellow gold once more approached a flood. Then he sought a place in the United States army. It will be recalled that Empey, while an American, enlisted with the Canadian forces before this country entered the war, and what service he saw abroad was under the British flag.

Empey's career in the U. S. army was of short duration. He had barely entered until he began making a distinction between the enlisted men and the select soldiers. He was discharged immediately, as he should have been. There is no place in the army for any man, no matter how brave he may be or how skilled as a fighter, yet who lacks the ability to understand that for courage, fighting qualities and all-round manhood the drafted men of this country are the equal of the volunteers anywhere, any time, any place.

The food you waste today may mean hunger to someone somewhere sometime. Be saving.

Be sure your subscription is paid before September 15. On that date off go all delinquents.

The love of money may be the root of all evil, but that influences mighty few people to hate it.

Speaking of safety first, what is the matter with the porch swing? It skids not, and neither does it nose-spin.

We believe that opportunity knocks more than once, but we don't believe that it camps on a man's door-step.

Sugar-coated compliments are not as popular as they use to be—it's too hard to get the sugar.

What will the women do for new styles in millinery when they get to heaven? Just think of wearing the same old halo through the eternity!

Gen. Foch's idea of warfare appears to be to wait until the Huns gets to rubbing a sore spot with both hands and then kick him in a new place.

Ever since he started back to Berlin, we've been a little curious to know how many miles the Crown Prince is getting to the gallon.

When you find a man who realizes that it's a good deal more patriotic to pay taxes than it is to kick about their size you've found a good citizen.

A merchant in an exchange advertises that he will soon hold a 1-cent sale. What in the world is there that you can buy nowadays for a cent?

At a recent convention of barbers held in Chicago, 50c for a shave and \$1.00 for a hair cut was advocated. Our objection to that is we haven't got that much hair.

Did you say if you weren't too young or too old you'd fight for Uncle Sam? Well, you're eligible. The "if" no longer bars the way. Men from 18 to 45, both inclusive, register next Thursday, September 12, unless they previously registered.

Henry Ford has had the peculiar experience of both winning and losing an office in the same election. He was nominated by the Democrats for senator and rejected by the Republicans. He ought not to have any trouble now in determining to what party he belongs to.

Our linotype machine "eats" up copy faster than we can grind it out. Just about the time we have finished a "batch" which we think will last a good while, the operator yells "copy." We have written about everything we know—and about some things we don't know—yet the gaping columns must be filled every week, so we guess this little paragraph will help some.

If you feel bad; if you are "blue," tired and discouraged, without apparent reason, you need Prickly Ash Bitters, the system purifier. It restores action in the torpid liver, cleanses the stomach, helps digestion, drives out gas and fermented matter in the bowels, and brings back that fine feeling of strength, vim and cheerfulness which belongs only to perfect health. Price, \$1.25 per bottle. Wade L. Smith, special agent.

We will guarantee to do away with your blowouts, rim cuts and punctures. We have blow-out patches, pure rubber patching, spark plugs, porcelain, top and seat dressing, tubes vulcanized, and genuine Ford parts, grease and oil. Phone calls answered day or night.
HUGHES & SON AUTO SHOP

What has become of the old-fashioned democrat who used to begin thinking about hard cider at this time of the year?

All the NEWEST SHOES

Are Here

Quality is Economy

Economy is practiced in a more practical way than in WEARING GOOD SHOES. Present higher prices should make you all the more careful to buy the right shoes. Cheap shoes were never so expensive, while the best were never so great a bargain.

Today's prices are higher than they have ever been in the world's history, consequently a mark of known quality is more important than ever before.

Buy shoes at this store—brands that we have sold and stood behind for years and years—and you will get the service and satisfaction that only good shoes can give. There's no guess work; every pair represents a definite standard of value today as in the past.

DON'T LET PRICE be your measure of value—select shoes for their **QUALITY** and you will get full value for the amount you invest.

THE MEN'S SHOES

You will find values at this store that you cannot duplicate—standard makes which you can always depend on for the utmost satisfaction. We feature the famous **FLORSHEIM** dress shoe known everywhere for its style and quality. See them here in colors of—

Black Kid and Kangaroo—straight lasts, curved toes, foot form shapes in button and lace.

Dark Tan Kangaroo and Calf—straight lasts in button and lace.

Bright Tan Calf—swing toe in button only.

These shoes come in the following widths: A, B, C, E and F. We have shoes to fit every foot in just the color and last you will like. Our price range is large. Come here for satisfactory shoes.

THE NEW KID BOOTS

Ask any lady who wears Smith-Sterling Shoes and she will tell you that their quality is just as dependable today as ever and will recommend your relying on this quality mark in buying your next pair. Despite the scarcity of high-tone leathers, we have received all of the latest shades of ladies boots in the most popular lasts. These include—

Kid Leathers—in black, mahogany brown, oyster gray, pearl gray, dark gray, field mouse and white, all made with high tops and full Louis heels. Also—

Kid and Calf Leathers—in black, mahogany brown, oyster, dark gray, two-tone grays, white and tan, all made with high tops and the new military heels.

Our line of ladies shoes have the new toes now so popular as well as being made on the narrow and wide lasts from A to E. Whether you need a pair of comforts or an extremely dressy boot, you will find it here in a grade you like at a price you won't mind paying.

GROWING BOYS AND GIRLS

demand sturdy, natural shape shoes—shoes that will tend to develop their feet as nature intended. We are showing a big line of bright new shoe styles for the young folks, some in the narrow lasts and others in the broad toes—all made with the idea of being foot-form. These popular lines need no introduction. You will find

BILLIKENS AND BUSTER BROWN'S

in grades for every occasion—work, school or dress.

HOSIERY TO MATCH

We have colors in ladies' and men's hosiery that harmonize splendidly with many of the new shades in shoes for this season, particularly in shades of gray and brown.

The newest numbers in fancy socks for men.

Geo E Darsey & Co

THE "SERVICE FIRST" STORE

LOCAL NEWS

Pay the President!

If you need shoes, read Darsey's ad on page four.

666 cures by removing the cause.

Joe Rawls of Goose Creek is here on a visit to his mother.

666 cures Malarial Fever.

New lot of service flags at Darsey's.

Good milch cow far sale or loan.

E. P. Bean, Route 1.

666 cures Headaches, Bilousness, Loss of Appetite, or that tired aching feeling due to Malaria or Colds. Fine Tonic.

Miss Callie Hill left the latter part of last week for San Antonio, where she will teach school again this term.

FORD FOR SALE

Ford Roadster practically new for sale. See—

C. C. Hill.

Stetson—Mallory—Worth, the three best buys in men's hats. New fall styles now at Darsey's.

About 1,500 pairs of shoes at Frank Allen's going at greatly reduced prices.

Mrs. B. C. Ansley has returned home from Bullard, where she has been visiting her daughter.

Shoes at reduced prices at Frank Allen's. Get yours there and save money.

George Scarborough of Palestine was a business visitor to Grapeland Monday.

When your clothes need treatment, carry them to Clewis' Sanitarium. All cases carefully treated.

Dr. Clewis' Hospital.

Buy your shoes from Frank Allen. He has a large stock and is making especially low prices.

Miss Owena Johnston has returned from Palestine, where she visited relatives.

Leslie Bridges and Henry Teems, who are in the navy stationed at San Diego, Cal., are home on 10 days furlough to visit homefolks and friends.

Darsey sells more dress gingshams and staple cotton goods than any one else in Grapeland. Do you know why?

The habit of "putting it off" has caused the loss of many lives. A dose of Prickly Ash Bitters at the first sign of indigestion, constipation and kidney trouble wards off sickness and saves money. Price 1.25 per bottle. Wade L. Smith, Special Agent.

\$100 Reward, \$100

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is catarh. Catarh being greatly influenced by constitutional conditions requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarh Ointment is taken internally and acts thru the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in the curative powers of Hall's Catarh Cure that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address: F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by all Druggists. 75c.

Pay the President!

666 cures Bilous Fever.

Don't fail to register.

Buy your next shoes from WHERRY.

666 contains no alcohol, arsenic, nor other poisonous drugs.

Ladies, attend the millinery opening at Darsey's Friday and Saturday.

Groceries and general merchandise at live and let live prices at Howard's.

Men's Pants \$1.50.—Better take advantage of this price.—WHERRY.

666 cures Chills and Fever.

FORD FOR SALE

5-passenger Ford car for sale at a reasonable price. See Chas. Royall.

FOR SALE

Good milch cow with young calf.

28-tf H. C. Jones, Route 1.

Cotton is rolling in at a rapid rate and bringing a good, stiff price. Redeem your war savings pledge—then pay your subscription.

We can convince you that this is the place to buy your furniture bill if you will just examine the finish and workmanship of our line and compare our prices. Geo. E. Darsey & Co.

W. G. Cartwright of Crockett and M. P. Jensen, a former citizen of Crockett but now of Galveston, were Grapeland visitors Monday.

Ruth Cunningham of Oklahoma City is here on a visit to relatives and friends and will remain until after registration day before returning to his home.

FOR SALE

5-passenger Maxwell car for sale for \$650.00. Been in use only 4 months and is in good condition.

28-4t Lee Graham, Crockett, Tex., R. 1.

Bring in your old Panama hats and have them cleaned and reblocked. They look as good as new. Have that winter hat reblocked before you lay it away. 6-tf M. L. Clewis.

Mr. and Mrs. John Muckleroy, and daughters, Misses Ethel and Annie, of Grapeland, spent a portion of last week with Mr. and Mrs. Dan McFadden.—Alto Herald.

Mr. and Mrs. Jes Holcomb and children of Augusta spent last Friday and Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Holcomb, who returned with them Sunday for a few days visit.—Alto Herald.

Henry Dailey and family of Daily's have moved to Grapeland and are occupying their new residence recently built. We are glad to welcome this family to our city.

W. F. Mayhar of Augusta, returned Monday from Camp Bowie, Ft. Worth, where he had been to visit his son, who is there training in the field artillery service.

NOTICE TO ALL

I have bought the City Meat Market and will keep all kinds of fresh and packing house meats, bread and cheese, and will deliver all orders promptly. I will do my best to merit your patronage. J. B. Lively.

H. A. Leaverton is in Austin this week on business.

WANTED TO BUY

I am now in the market for several car loads of old scrap iron and other kinds of junk. See me for prices and sell me what you have. J. W. Howard.

WILL EXCHANGE

work mule for milk cow. S. E. Howard.

Jim Wilson of Augusta is now with W. H. Long & Co. for the fall season. Mr. Wilson was formerly connected with this firm.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Ellis of Crockett visited relatives here Sunday.

MILLINERY OPENING

Geo. E. Darsey & Co. will have their opening display of new fall millinery at their store Friday and Saturday of this week. Every lady interested in the newest fall modes will appreciate seeing this early opening display. Friday and Saturday, Sept. 6 and 7.

Homer Hughes has returned from Houston, where he enlisted as a mechanic in the Texas National Guard, recently organized. He is waiting the call to mobilize.

ACTIVE LAND EXCHANGE

If you want to sell your land list it with me. It will not bar you from selling it every week. Buyers now calling on me every week. If you want to buy land, a good home, in or out of town, see me. S. E. Howard.

Leonard Sullivan and family left Sunday for New Waverly, where they will reside in the future.

NOTICE TO OUR CUSTOMERS

Effective from this date on our business will be placed upon a strictly cash basis and no work or laundry will be charged to anyone. We are forced to adopt this method on account of being unable to secure adequate help and we have no time to spare in collecting on the first of each month. We hope you will view the matter in the proper light. Respectfully, Denson & Walton, Barbers.

Mrs. Hennie Millar of Crockett is visiting relatives here this week.

Why not let me save you money on shoes? Either work shoes or a pair of ladies kid boots. S. E. Howard.

CARD OF THANKS

We take this method of thanking our friends and neighbors for what they did for us during the sickness and death of our dear beloved son and brother.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Kiser and children.

Pay the President!

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"A Daughter of the Land"

A Story of American Grit, by
GENE STRATTON PORTER

Author of
"Freckles," "A Girl of the Limberlost," "The Harvester" and others

The Best yet--just out

For sale by

HONESTY AND QUALITY

The Peoples Drug Store

WADE L. SMITH

PRESIDENT PROCLAIMS REGISTRATION DAY

Washington, Aug. 31.—President Wilson today signed the manpower act bringing all men in the United States from 18 to 45 years of age within the army draft and immediately afterward issued a proclamation fixing Thursday, September 12, as registration day.

In the proclamation issued immediately after he signed the new manpower bill authorizing extension of the 21-31 draft ages, the president called on the younger and older men to enroll on that day with local draft boards where they make their permanent homes.

"We solemnly purpose a decisive victory of arms," said the president, "and deliberately to devote the larger part of the military manpower of the nation to the accomplishment of that purpose. . . . It is the call to duty which every true man in the country will respond with pride and with the consciousness that in doing so he plays his part in vindication of a great cause, at whose summons every true heart offers its supreme service."

The hours of registration will be from 7 a. m. to 9 p. m., and all State and local officials are called on to make immediate arrangements for maintenance of registration places on that day.

All men within the new ages, whether citizens of the United States or not, must register, unless they are diplomatic or consular representatives of foreign nations.

In case of illness on the registration day arrangements for tardy enrollment may be made with the local boards and men who expect to be absent from their homes may register by mail sufficiently in advance that the registration record reaches the board by September 12. If a man has no permanent residence, he is to register at the place he is in on September 12, and those out of the country on that day are required to enroll within five days after their return.

At least 13,000,000 men will place themselves subject to call for war service under the new registration, it is estimated, al-

though only those without dependents, in good health and otherwise qualified for arduous duties of soldier life, are to be taken first.

PASSAGE OF MAN POWER BILL HEARTENS MEN AT FRONT

With the American Army in France, Aug. 31.—The enactment of the new American man power measure, the news of which spread through the lines Saturday, brought expressions of general satisfaction from the American army in France. The men here realize not only the immense resources it brings to the aid of the government in the pursuit of the war, but that it also guarantees unsparing efforts to continue what they have begun.

The high command is particularly interested in the moral effect the measure will have upon the enemy. His man power is now conceded at its weakest point and his replacement sources are limited, and the military authorities count upon a reaction in the morale in Germany as a strong factor of the winter situation.

It may be stated that from the general staff down to the rank and file everyone is immeasurably encouraged and heartened by the passage of the act.

AN OLD PROBLEM

The government's efforts to cure the mule of the braying habit reminds the Liberty Tribune that the same problem was up during the civil war. Then, says the Tribune, a Colonel Garland of the Confederate army, after attorney general of the United States, asserted that the mule could be made brayless by tying a brick to its tail, as it was impossible for a mule to bray unless it raised its tail and released the clutch on its vocal chord. But wouldn't it be far less dangerous to operate on a mule than to so attach a brick?—Kansas City Times.

STRAYED

Cream colored Jersey, small, about four years old, had on steel yoke. Branded 77 on left side. 28-2t W. A. Shaver.

A TYPICAL SOLDIER GATHERING



The Army Y. M. C. A. is the gathering place of the soldiers in every camp. It is his substitute for home, and he soon learns to go there when he is threatened with homesickness. He is seldom disappointed, for the "Y" slogan is "something doing all the time." This crowd was too big to get inside the building, so they had the program outside. The soldiers are listening to a lecture on mental and physical cleanliness by Dr. Clark, a noted sex lecturer. The picture was taken at Camp Travis, San Antonio, Texas, where thousands of soldiers from Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, and other states receive their training for the big adventure.

AT THE FOUNTAIN



Here is a familiar scene in any Y. M. C. A. building at our army camps. Ice-cooled water "bubblers" quench the thirst of thousands of soldiers, and during a "run" on the fountains the "water line" often extends across the building.

The Army Y. M. C. A. is the enlisted man's club, where he may read, write letters, buy stamps and post cards, have bundles wrapped free of charge, get money orders, play games, and meet his comrades for a social hour.

The bubbling cold water fountain is one of the most popular advantages offered the soldiers by the Army "Y" in the Southern department, which is composed of Texas, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, New Mexico and Arizona.

ARMY Y. M. C. A. CHIEF



WILMAN E. ADAMS,
Executive Secretary, Army Y. M. C. A.,
Southern Department.

Direction of all Army Y. M. C. A. activities in the entire Southern Department is the large responsibility given to Wilman E. Adams, Executive Secretary, by the National War Work Council early in the development of the extensive program of the Y. M. C. A. in its efforts on behalf of the soldiers.

Mr. Adams is the administrative head of the territory made up of Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, and Arizona, in which is located a large per cent of the army camps of the entire country. Under his administration the operations of the Army Y. M. C. A. have grown until there is now in operation, or in process of construction, one Y. M. C. A. building for every 3,500 soldiers located in these Southwestern states. When it is remembered that

there are several hundred thousand soldiers in training in the Southern Department camps, including Camp Travis, Camp Pike, Camp Bowie, Camp McArthur, Camp Cody, Camp Doniphan, Fort Sill, Camp Beauregard, Kelly Field, and the other great flying fields of the department, it will be understood that Mr. Adams occupies a position of similar importance to that of a Major General.

In addition to the camp activities of the Army Y. M. C. A. directed by Mr. Adams and efficiently executed by his army of men in the uniform of the Red Triangle, the Southern Department executive secretary has under his supervision the Army Y. M. C. A. activities along the entire Mexican border, from Brownsville, Texas, to Yuma, Arizona, where many Y. M. C. A. stations are located, and where a fleet of eighteen auto trucks take to the soldiers in isolated places the comforts and pleasures of the Y. M. C. A.

Mr. Adams is one of the pioneers of the Army Y. M. C. A. movement. He was actively identified with the Army "Y" work with the troops on the border and in Mexico.

EXEMPT RAILWAY MEN?

It is reported from Washington that Director General McAdoo will ask for some systematic plan for giving deferred classification to railroad men. More than 200,000 employees of the railways already have entered the army, and reports to the railroad administration indicate if future drafts take that many more the roads will have great difficulty in operating, particularly next winter, when bad weather may precipitate a crisis.

Misery loves company, but even that sort of company can wear its welcome out.

SENDING THE "CIVIES" HOME



Many a kid brother is sporting his soldier brother's Sunday silk shirts and best serge suits these days, and brother doesn't mind, because he is wearing the very latest style for men—khaki of the regulation military cut. The Army Y. M. C. A. helps the rookie soldier with his civilian clothes problem. "Y" furnishes wrapping paper, and a "Y" man is on hand to help with the wrapping, furnishes the twine, and assists with the addressing of the bundles of "civies" (military parlance for civilian clothes). These bundles are sent back home to be packed in moth balls until after the war, or worn out by the kid brother.

Here is a parcel post shipment of clothes to go back home a few hours after a bunch of Louisiana boys had reported for service at Southern Department camp.

**CAN'T CHEW TO-
BACCO AT FRONT**

Among the American soldiers who have gone to France there has been a decline in the American habit of chewing tobacco, according to reports, and Young Men's Christian Association secretaries who sell tobacco in canteens in France say that modern warfare rather than prejudice is responsible for it. It's the gas mask that's done the trick, they say. A devotee of the plug is seriously embarrassed when called upon to don the gas mask. One Southern soldier is said to have put it like this: "With terbacca bitin' inside yer cheek, the ol' gas mask anchored between yer teth, mustard gas all about ye an' no chanct ter open yer mouth—war sure is hell."—Charlotte Observer.



Uncle Sam

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State Bank**



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We are pleased to announce that our New Line of Samples has arrived for **Fall and Winter Clothing**

You can have plenty of time now to select just the suit you want and have it made to your measure and have the assurance of getting perfect satisfaction.

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in the system destroys energy and makes the most vigorous worker feel lazy. Unless corrected it brings on "the chills."

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The malarial germ cannot exist in the system under the searching influence of Herbine. It purifies the stomach, liver and bowels, drives out bilious obstructions and puts the internal organs in fine healthy condition.

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FOR SALE BY D. N. LEAVERTON

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Hunt's Salve, formerly called Hunt's Cure is guaranteed to stop and permanently cure that terrible itching. It is compounded for that purpose and your money will be promptly refunded without question if Hunt's Salve fails to cure Itch, Eczema, Tetter, Ring Worm or any other skin disease. See the box.



For sale locally by **WADE L. SMITH**

JOHN SPENCE
Lawyer
CROCKETT, TEXAS
Office up stairs over Monzingo
Millinery Store

PROPOSE TO FIX COTTON SEED PRICES

Washington, Aug. 30.—A proposal to stabilize the price of cotton seed and its products on a basis of \$70 per ton, f. o. b. cars for the seed, has been put before the food administration by a committee representing state directors of markets and agricultural commissioners of the cotton-growing states and members of farmers' unions.

"The effect of the proposal would be to make the price of seed vary from \$64 to \$72 in carload lots, depending upon the yield of oil," a food administration statement tonight said, "and the price of meal would range from \$57 per ton in Texas to \$53 for the eastern section. A meeting of cattlemen has been called to consult in the matter."

Prices suggested are based upon 1917 figures, it was said, and the object of fixing, if adopted, would be to protect both the cattle feeder and the seed producer from the highly speculative market that now threatens the industry.

"CARRY ON"

"Carry on" is an expression that is being much used in these war times and it means to tackle a job and carry it to a finish—or, over on the battle front, to start a fight and fight to the finish.

And the boys and girls here in the South should get the same spirit—the determination to finish everything they begin. Those who have gone into corn club work should keep on and never relax their determination to make the most of their acres and turn in a good report after harvest; those in pig club work should allow no set back to discourage them; (we just heard of a boy who lost his pig for three consecutive years but stuck to it and is making a big success this year); and those in canning club work should not be daunted by drouth or other things over which they have no control.

The shortage of labor and the great need for food throws out a challenge to every farm boy and girl in the South just as the Huns throw out a challenge to our Sammies on the western front. Our boys over there are meeting their challenge with stout hearts and determined minds, and we should do no less.

Now is the time to "carry on!"
—Progressive Farmer.

Notice to Debtors and Creditors

The undersigned having been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Josh Pouncy, deceased, late of Houston county, Texas, by E. Winfree, judge of the county court of said Houston County, on the 17 day of August, 1918, during a regular term thereof, hereby notifies all persons indebted to said estate to come forward and make settlement, and those having claims against said estate to present them to him at his residence at Grapeland, Houston county, Texas, where he receives his mail. This 17th day of August, 1918.

G. W. Mobley,
Administrator of the Estate of Josh Pouncy, deceased.

Personally we don't claim to know much about millinery modes; all the same when ladies ride with us in our limousine we prefer that they do not wear boudoir caps.

SKILLED NEWSPAPER WORKERS ESSENTIAL

When the War Industries Board, that governmental agency which was created to put all domestic business upon a war basis, declared newspaper publishing to be an essential war industry, it gave a definite war status to every line of labor which a newspaper requires in the assembling or manufacture of newspaper materials, and in the composition and printing of its finished product.

This board did not start at the top and go down the line. It started at the bottom by placing the manufacture of news print paper, without which no newspaper could exist, upon a priority basis. It authorized a sufficient distribution of coal to the paper manufacturers to assure an adequate supply of this material, and arranged with the Railroad Administration to deliver the paper to the publishers.

The second step was to recognize the newspaper as a necessity by providing it with facilities for distribution; that is, granting it full mail privileges on the one hand, and movement upon the railroads upon the other.

Finally, the government has given the newspaper publishing industry a war footing by classifying its personnel as engaged in a needful occupation. This phase of the matter was dealt with by the War Department in issuing the work or fight regulations under the Selective Service Law. This regulation does not apply only to loafers. It applies to men engaged in what the War Industries Board has declared to be useless business.

And in placing the newspaper personnel outside the range of the work or fight rule, the Government has not concerned itself merely with the editors and reporters and advertising men. It has included the skilled labor which every newspaper must depend in its composing room, its pressroom and elsewhere. The newspaper compositor and pressman are regarded as just as essential to business as the editor or auditor or any other trained member of a newspaper's staff.

As a matter of fact, when the Iowa Draft Board, through an error of judgment, sent out notices to newspaper men within its jurisdiction recently, advising them that they were within the work or fight regulations, his notice went only to the newspaper writers. This board in its ruling took the position that the compositor, the pressman and the other skilled workmen on newspapers were not affected by the work or fight ruling, because they were indispensable to their respective papers. The notice to the reporters were later withdrawn with the explanation that a blunder had been committed.

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DENSON & WALTON
Proprietors
Shop on Main Street next door to Guaranty State Bank
Your Business will be Greatly Appreciated
Laundry Agency
Basket leaves every Wednesday and returns Saturday.

ted. The status which the Government has given the newspaper compositors, it might be added, is different from that given the compositor in a private printing establishment, a job office or other plant not yet recognized by the Government as essential to the conduct of the war. Each individual line of business must stand upon its own bottom in this matter. It must make its own case. The newspaper has done this, and the recognition of its value to the Nation in war has been given. No such recognition has been accorded printing establishments generally. Their standing is a matter yet to be determined.—New York Sun.

SNAP SHOTS

There are some homes which it seems like the stork can't fly over without making a nose dive.

Mrs. Peavish says that if Mr. Peavish is compelled by law to work or fight she feels that she will have to defend herself.—Galveston News.

Furthermore, even if the hack driver of yesteryear had survived to this day, how could he have made a living hauling sober men around?

FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Supt. J. N. Snell,
Crockett, Texas.

Dear Sir:—I am glad to note that the counties of Walker, Trinity, San Jacinto, Houston and other counties are planning to hold a joint insitute at Huntsville, Texas, and I trust that the superintendents of the several counties will prepare a program that will be very helpful and instructive to all of the teachers of the several counties interested. Many counties in Texas are combining in such institutes in order to strengthen the quality of their work. I believe that it will prove to be an occasion of inspiration to the teachers of your county.

Sincerely,
W. F. Doughty,
State Superintendent.

NOTICE TO TEACHERS

The following letter has been mailed to all who have filed contracts or who are known to have agreed to teach in the county: From the enclosed program you will learn that Houston county has joined with Trinity, Walker, San Jacinto and Montgomery counties in holding a district institute at the Sam Houston Normal College, located at Huntsville. All white teach-

ers of Houston county must attend the institute, provided they hold contracts to teach in Houston county's schools; it is not necessary that the contracts be in writing, a verbal contract is binding. The above applies to all white teachers of Houston county, except the teachers of Crockett city schools, and they may join us, but the law gives all towns and cities that have five hundred or more scholastics the privilege of holding a separate institute.

It is expected that this will be one of the best institutes in the State this year, for each section and department will be in charge of an expert or specialist. No teacher who expects to teach can afford to miss it, if institute work was not compulsory; but, since institute attendance, and diligent work while attending, is compulsory each teacher's record will be very carefully tabulated both as to attendance and attention to work. No one will be excused except upon personal sickness or death in family. Penalty for failure to attend, cancellation of contract and certificate.

Respectfully submitted by
John N. Snell,
County Supt., Houston Co.

Any man can take himself seriously, but success is getting others to take him that way.

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Owners who have bought the Overland Model 90 have not been worried about any of these things.

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J. E. TOWERY
CROCKETT, TEXAS

HOUSTON COUNTY COMMUNITY LABOR BOARD RULING

The Department of Labor authorizes the following:

The Community Labor Board of the United States Employment Service of the County of Houston, Texas, acting in conformity with the declaration of the labor-recruiting program as prescribed by the Department of Labor declares as nonessential or non war work the unskilled labor employed in the industries hereinafter mentioned in which male employees are now working and on both employer and employee a formal notice will be served if that course is necessary. The voluntary release of these men by their employers so that they may be transferred to war work is expected without such formal notice from this board.

Men who are released from the various nonessential industries as now or hereafter designated by this Board may apply at the local office of the United States Employment Service where they will be given employment in essential war work.

The men at this time to be released by establishments determined by this board to be non-essential are the clerks, laborers, janitors, porters and other unskilled workers engaged in the following industries here classed by this board as nonessential war work:

Auto industry accessories—Drivers of service cars. Drivers, cleaners and deliverers of pleasure cars.; drivers of auto trucks engaged in work other than fuel or Government work; cleaners and dyers, cooks and waiters in restaurants and hotels, confectioners and delicatessen establishments, fruit stands, soft drink establishments, bath and barber shop attendants, peanut vendors, junk dealers, mercantile stores, bottlers and bottle supplies, book and all other agents making house to house canvass.

The above list will be added to by the Board from time to time. Coal mining, railroading and farming are all war work, the latter two to the extent that they are protected from all recruiting by other industries. The more making of lumber or other products which may ultimately be used for war purposes, but which are not to be delivered either directly to the Government or some Government contractor, is not considered as war work.

By authority of U. S. Department of Labor.

Houston County Community Labor Board.

By J. H. Painter, Ch'm.
G. M. Mahoney,
J. L. Polley, Members.

ABOUT WAR STAMPS

Houston county will go over the top in the war savings stamp campaign within the next three weeks if the plans of the Houston County Council of Defense are successfully carried out. Following a conference at Crockett, Monday, of leading citizens with Hubert M. Harrison of Dallas, special representative of the Treasury Department for War Savings, Chairman T. H. Leaverton of Grapeland, has called a special meeting of the County Council to be held at the county court house at Crockett at 2 p. m., Tuesday, Sept. 10, to make plans for completing the county quota.

Chairman A. Baker of the County War Savings Stamp campaign, has reported that the county is still about \$65,000 short of its quota of \$651,300.

A card index of every citizen of this county is being prepared so that the Council of Defense will be able to tell exactly what every one has done for his country in this hour of trial.

"I want to congratulate the good citizens of Houston county who have done their duty in the war savings stamp drive," Mr. Harrison said. "But it is evident from the reports that many citizens of this fine county have not begun to take all the stamps they could and ought to buy. This war will never be won by

\$1000 men buying \$25 worth of stamps. We must realize that this war is going to cost us sacrifice—that it will mean that each one of us must give up something he wants to buy in order that we may win."

"The people of this county have not begun to give up their luxuries in order to win the war as the other allied people have done. The people of Houston county can own and support 1,200 automobiles but they have not bought their quota of war savings stamps. We must get down to hard pan and really save and sacrifice—each one of us personally—to whip the Huns. I believe that the people of Houston county are willing to give up some of their pleasures and luxuries in order to back up the boys from this county who are preparing to give their lives."

"I trust that there will be a full attendance at the county council meeting on September 10."

Lists will be made of the men of Houston county who are known to be able to buy more stamps and those will be seen personally in order to put this county in the patriotic column.

It is going to take every man in the county doing his level best to put this over. Let there be none who will fall short of his duty.

Those who have already pledged to buy war savings stamps will be expected to redeem their pledges. We hope that everyone will be patriotic enough to comply with this request without any pressure from any source.

By the Committee.

REGISTRATION DAY THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1918, FROM 7 A. M. TO 9 P. M.

The president has proclaimed Thursday, Sept. 12, 1918, as registration day for all male inhabitants of the United States of America between the ages of 18 years and 45 years inclusive who have not heretofore registered. This age limit includes those who have attained the age of 18 years on or before Sept. 12, 1918, up to and including those who have not attained the age of 46 years on said registration date. Every male inhabitant included in the above age limit must register on the above named date. For the convenience of the registrants registering booths will be located at the following places in Houston County, Texas, and said booths will be open from 7 a. m. to 9 p. m. of said date, to-wit:

Crockett—Two booths in charge of Jno. LeGory and Joe Adams, respectively.

Grapeland—Two booths in charge of Will Darsey and T. H. Leaverton, respectively.

Augusta—In charge of A. S. Moore.

Ratcliff—In charge of R. J. Connor.

Kennard—In charge of Claibe Latimer.

Lovelady—in charge of J. O. Monday.

Weldon—in charge of — Mangum.

Porter Springs—in charge of J. H. Rosser.

The registrants are hereby authorized to go to the registration booth most convenient to their place of residence or business for the purpose of registering.

The above named registrars are hereby requested to report to the Local Board at Crockett at once for instructions, etc.

By order of Houston County Local Exemption Board.

J. H. Painter, Chairman.
S. B. Wootters, Chief Clerk.

The worst notion that any young man can get into his head is the fool idea that to be good is to be a sissy.

KENNEDY BROS.

"Unusual Display for Fall"

"It is an ill wind that blows good to no one." Handicapped by shortage of material and labor, manufacturers have produced the most attractive styles this season than have been shown for many years. Simple, most of them, but styles that are charming and artistic in every way. We have a few of the new styles in coats and skirts and waists now on display and will be very glad, indeed, to show you the many new styles that are now on display.

Corsets for War Time

Women, too, must gird on a suitable armour if they are to engage with safety, comfort and modesty in the great portion of war work which has come to them. You need freedom, you need comfort, you need safe and modest support, you require undiminished shapes. As measured against these demands, the average corset of the well dressed woman does not qualify.

MADAME GRACE CORSETS made to your measure. They are flexible, surprisingly strong, supremely fashionable, hence we ask that you call for Madame Grace Corsets and be pleased and satisfied.



Staple Department

You will find the largest stock of staple goods at our store of any house in the county, and we ask that you call and supply your wants. They are the highest in quality and the lowest in price.

Redeem your War Savings Stamp Pledge

UNCLE SAM needs the money

To Young Men about clothes saving

There are a lot of unlucky fellows not in the service; they would like to be, but haven't been able to get in.

They all want to do everything they can---and there's a chance to help some in clothes.

When you need clothes buy good ones; pay enough to get them; good ones last longer. You do not need to buy as often--that saves resources that can be turned into war uses.

At this store we offer clothes that save; **Hart Schaffner & Marx** make them; in simple, refined war styles that use no unnecessary materials; some have the military back; others the seam at the waist line; stylish, everyone of them--but combined with the quality that economizes.



A New Pair if they Don't Wear

This positive, liberal guarantee backs up every pair of Curlee Pants.

We invite comparison of the wearable fabrics, fine tailoring and big values we offer you in Curlee Pants.

\$2.50 to \$8.00

When in town make our store your headquarters for we always welcome you.

KENNEDY BROTHERS THE STORE FOR EVERYBODY