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The Texas Centennial.
Dallas, Texas, Sept. 9, - The old brass cannon of Gonzale Which fired the first shot of the years ago, will roar defiance again October 3 to usher in the celebration of the Texas Centen nial.

The Statewide observance of of Texas Indepsadence will con sist of ainumber of celebrations at historic shrines of the State, commencitg at Gonzales, and climaxed by the $\$ 15,060,000$ Texas Centennial Exposition in Dallas from June to November,
1936,
Beeau
Because Texans first tock up armes at Gonzales in defense of theirliberty, this charming lit-
sle South Texas town is known sisthe "Lexington of the Lone StarState,

When war appeared imminen between Texas and Mexiee in
1835, the Mexican govenment de apanded that the eitizens of Gon-
zales surrender a six pounder
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brass cannon which had been brass cannon which had been given tothem as defenseagainst
the Indians. The cannon was apiked and the spike bored out leaving a touch hole as !big as a silver dollar. The demand for the gun was merely an excuse to sta rthostilities,
Mexicandragoons attempted to capture the gun and the town. Texans from rar and wide had rallied in Gonzales and hoisted tha first flag of the Texas revo Jution, a crude white banner inThe old cannon was loaded to The old cannon was loaded to
the muzzle with pot legs and the muzzle with pot legs and scrap iron and turned loose on the foe. The Texans charged dead and wounded behind them. Not a single Texan was them Five single Texan was harmed. her independence
These stirring
These stirring scenes will be
2 which will last a whole week
The battle will be refought with soldiers of the national guard
representing the Texas and
Mexican armies.
Saz Antonio, Houston, Nacog
doches and Huntsville all plan similar historic observances pie
Texas Centennial Exposition at

## Dallas June 6.

If your subscription is duf, pay it; do not thirk the printe does not reed it," just becaus is always in need of that small sum from pach of you, buthe's a iself-sacrificing, honest cuss, and he trusts you; believes that $y$ on will pay as soon as you can; he saves and pays his bills a nd he judges others by him: self, Do not betray his confi dence; pay him and don't make himsenct you a statement. - The


## Mothers and Maidens of th

## Sixties.

Much has been told in song and story of the bravery of our Southern men, their gallant bearing in war and peace, but precious little, ah! too little, about noble mothers and maid ens in their wonderfu! self-de nial and sacrifice during th War Between the States. The book published on "The Wome of the South in War Times," telling of the sufferings and privations endured during th period that tried the souls of women as will as men, should be in every home of the country Often they suffered for the ne essaries of llfe because of their
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but blankets made frem tains and portieres frem cur night be kept warm, and many used to make own clothing was boys at the front. At every op portunity the things made ap and the socks knitted were gath ered together at some central point in the neighborhood and ften sent by some trasted serant to the camps. The faithful bearer would generally deliver hey were though sat times soods confiscated, when making helr escape, they would return home and report their thrilling camp and their ingenious plan of eseape.
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Howeve
However, these losses did no the noble women in using every spare moment to continue their work of making garments, lint,
and bandages for the soldiess; and often there were additional duties thrust upon them in car-
ing for sick and wounded men all the every battle: and yet, with not one word of complaiat was heard, though ftoiling day dand night for the relief of suffering
and that patience and fortitud continued untli the end of the truggle for justice and right. These are some ef the things means, Of, but not all by any wouid ride for many miles night to give warning of the ap proach of the enemy and to re ate the dire threats made if they could by night raids,
ture certain troops of ours, One instance among many given here to show the worder al spirit of patriotism and sel Living near the town fof War renton, Va., a young lady of pleasing and attractive manners nu a great favorite in her com meard the the educated, over Yankees, who surrounded the Own and neignborhood, again tion for several raics made upon them. This cemmand was about tweuty miles off, stopping in several homes, as they never had permanent camp. TheYankees purposed to make a raid that night, and if possible, capture Mosby and his men. The yourg lady caught her horse and rode
off early in the night, evading he pickets, and reached Mosby's quarters, notifying him in time to escape. No timidity or fear bout that, but a willingness to risk her life, if need be, to save hose gallant defenders of her home and country. Many scree what similar incidents could be
mentioned. God did bless our mothers and children, Divine

Providence seemed ever over
them, for often they were left without a protector-husbands, fathers, and sons in the army arrounded by negroes. Many ful, some among them faithful nd true, and who, be it seid to heir praise, would in 1 an tses, have laid down their lives her children.
Surrounded as they vere with nothing daunted the conditions, ened theirfidelify to their nativ and or undermined their try and patriotic wemanhood. Thanks be to God for the be and self-sacrificing ;wome n those days of terrible stzife I hope I may be pardoned for making some quotations from my mother and one or or wo days.
Writing to me in camp, in the winter of 1862-63, she said: know, my son, your grandpare areold, your father is fallin and my health very poor, and rotector for your sisters and ittle brother. Yet Godcan pre
serve yourlife in the army as serve your life in the army a fully protect you twelve morth inthe strife and brought you safely to us again, and we shoul if you should fall, we have this assurance, thnt heaven would
be your home, safe with Jesus, and the many loved ones wh have gone before us. If Gcd be Tor us and our everlastiog por
tion, all will be well. The rich est blessings of heaven be yo
my son, prays your mother A noble mother left with A noble motherleft with thre
little boys (their father having died) and living near the main
thoroughfare in the Valley of thoroughfare in the Valley of Virginia. She tells how "two
officers, one a surgeon, the other an adjutant of a regiment, being
indisposed, came on in advance of the army to seek a quiet asyum' they said for the
avethem the parlor, which had converted into a bedroom there being no use for parlor them as comfortable as possible In the morning the posi marked: "We are so coctor fixed, we should like to share your hospitality for another night, if convenient.' $\mid$ told them they were at liberty to do The following morning, after giving breakfast to about 40 and being somewhat at leisure, I was again called to feed ten hungry soldiers and some refucees. When I entered the room again, the doctor, with a pleasant smile, remarked: "We still linger, Yes,' said the adju! to leavo only place we 've found that seemed like home?' May the God of battles ever be near Other wrote: "What gratefu Other wrote: "What grateful
beings soldiers are! A kind word or even a sympathetic look seem to fill their hearts with gratitude. One who had tarried but for a omparatively nothing, remerl
ed in my oldest son's presence 1 would be willing to stand at ilil Christmas if it would se cure safety to the inmates.' An dded: 'And I would stand by your side,' My heart has been your sice, My heart has been and I feel as though I did not

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