

# The Baird Star.

Our Motto: "TIS NEITHER BIRTH, NOR WEALTH, NOR STATE; BUT THE GIT-UP-AND-GIT THAT MAKES MEN GREAT."

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## LADIES' READY TO WEAR DEPARTMENT

Stout women who experience trouble in being fitted can secure garments here especially planned for them; not merely big garments, but scientifically constructed garments. Stout sizes in Coat Suits and Silk Dresses. Stocks complete



### Stylish Stout Suits and Dresses

Stout figures are just as natural as slender or medium figures and follow certain standardized measurements which our makers have developed. Length of line, for long lines with their attended gradual sloping, tend to make a woman look taller and more slender than she is.

#### STYLISH STOUT SUITS

Just as smart as the smaller size garments. Sizes 40 to 48 featured in all the new fabrics and colors. Price \$20.00 to \$35.00

#### STYLISH STOUT DRESSES

In sizes 40 to 48 that conform to the season's smartest models. Crepes and Silks in the most popular colors. Price \$15.00 to \$30.00

### Wonderful Showing in Ladies Dresses

See them in Georgette, Taffet, Crepe de Chine and many combination Silk and Crepe Dresses. There is a full \$5.00 to \$7.00 saving and nothing sacrificed in late styles, colors and materials. Sizes for misses and women. Come early

#### STYLISH SILK SKIRTS

The popular White Satin and Silk Skirts, the large Cross-barred Foulards. Price \$12.50 and up

#### STYLISH WAISTS

Many beautiful Georgette, Taffeta, Crepe de Chine waists, new embroidered and many different collar effects. White and light shades. Special prices \$3.50 to \$5.00

### Special Reduction on Hats

We successfully cleaned up the three lots of hats advertised a short time ago so we have culled 3 dozen Trimmed hats from our large assortment and offer them at prices given below:

No two hats alike, Straws, Crepes, Straw and Crepe combinations, all Black and Colors: Come early:

\$2.50 to \$3.50 values now	.....	\$1.95
4.50 to 5.50 values now	.....	2.95
5.50 to 6.50 values now	.....	3.95



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## B. L. BOYDSTUN

The Place Where Most People Trade

BAIRD, TEXAS

You may not be able to give your life, but there are thousands of others who have already volunteered theirs. While they are training and when they go over, it takes money for food and equipment. The government is calling on you to lend your money and help shoulder these expenses. What will be your answer?  
**LET IT BE A LIBERTY BOND**

#### LIBERTY BONDS.

Callahan County's quota of Liberty Bonds is \$141,100.00, and on the Bulletin Board at The First National Bank at noon yesterday the amount subscribed was \$109,300.00, leaving \$31,800.00 to be raised in the next week. We hope the amount will be raised and we believe it will. The Liberty Bell at The First National Bank is ringing frequently, they ring it every time a bond is sold. The First National Bank of Baird leads all the banks in the county in securing subscriptions.

#### OPLIN GOES "OVER THE TOP"

Oplin's quota of Liberty Bond was \$4,000 and they bought \$18,600 dollars worth of bonds and got the Honor Flag with two stars. Three cheers for Oplin, the banner bond town of Callahan county.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Estes visited relatives in Fort Worth last week.

#### DIED

Mrs. Ada Brock, aged 48 years, mother of Mrs. C. R. Brandon, died at the home of her daughter Tuesday afternoon at 2:40. The body was embalmed by Jao. T. Morgan with H. Schwartz' undertaking department, and shipped to Prescott, Ark. for interment. The body was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Brandon and Mr. Fronabarger.

#### JOIN THE CAVALRY

A troop of Cavalry for border duty is being organized in Callahan and Eastland counties. 150 men are wanted out of both counties. Will be mobilized in about three weeks. Men between 18 and 45 years of age wanted. Boys under 18 years must have written consent of parents. Headquarters at Cisco, Texas. Will be in Baird every few days. J. K. Bloodworth, Captain. By Manon H. French.

#### SERVICE FLAG PRESENTED TO W. O. W. CAMP.

On last Monday night the ladies of Holly Grove, W. C. presented a service flag bearing 15 stars to the W. O. W. Camp. The flag was made by Mesdames W. G. Bowlus and J. J. Price, and was presented to the Camp by H. Schwartz. The boys whom the 15 stars represent are Ed Chambers, Less Walker, Otho Lidia, Claude Flores, Gus Hall, Sam Ellis, Brown Jones, Robert Estes, Ashby White, Freddy Weisten, Justin Anderson, Lawrence Bowlus, Pink Norrell, Jim Terry, DeWitt Gibson, who are in the service of their country, some in France, some in the navy and others in different parts of the United States in training.

#### REVIVAL MEETING

The revival meeting at the Methodist Church will begin Sunday evening at 8:30 and will continue two weeks. Rev. W. M. Murrell, of Clyde, will do the preaching and Mrs. King, choir leader for the local church, will have charge of the music. Special arrangements have been made for a large choir and special music at each service. It is earnestly urged that every christian cooperate to make this a genuine revival for the entire community. A cordial invitation is extended to everybody to attend and take part in the services each day at 10 a. m. and 8:30 p. m.

#### SCHOOL CHILDREN BUYS BONDS

Prof. J. F. Boren, Supt. of Baird Public Schools gives as the following amount of bonds and stamps purchased by the school children of Baird: Liberty Bonds, \$3,550.00. Thrift Stamps \$939.25. In addition to this the Senior class purchased a bond of the second Liberty Loan and presented it to the School Library. The figures certainly surprised us because we did not expect them to raise so much. Think of it, the Baird school children have bought \$4,489.25 worth of bonds. What school out this way can beat it?

#### VACANCY IN COTTONWOOD POST-OFFICE

A vacancy in this office is contemplated. Candidates must stand civil service examination. The office paid \$417. last fiscal year. Applicant must be 21 years of age and reside in the territory supplied by the office. The civil service examination will be held at Cross Plains, May 11th. For full information see Postmaster at Cottonwood.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL BUYS WAR SAVING STAMPS.

On Sunday, April 7th, J. W. Turner, Supt. of the Methodist Sunday School of Baird announced a campaign to buy Thrift Stamps, each class being furnished a Thrift Card. On Sunday, the 14th, \$25.00 was raised, but some classes asked that the time be extended one week then last week every class reported their cards full and Supt. Turner announced that \$40. of the collections for the two Sundays would be invested in War Saving Certificates as a permanent investment for the Sunday School and would only be disposed of if necessity requires it. We would like to see every Sunday School in Callahan County do as well or better. This is an easy way to raise money as a permanent investment for Sunday Schools, besides it helps the government too.

#### HOME COMING AT BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday, April 28th is Home Coming Day at the Baptist Church and beginning at 10:30 a. m. an interesting program will be given throughout the day.

#### MARRIED.

Mr. Leo M. Tyler of Clyde and Miss Beulah Adams of Cross Plains were married at Cross Plains, Tuesday afternoon, April 16th, 1918, at 4 o'clock, Rev. D. M. Strickland officiating. They will make their home at the farm of the groom west of Baird. We join the many friends of the groom in wishing them bon voyage on life's sea.

#### CLOSING HOURS EFFECTIVE APRIL 30th, 1918.

On the account of heavy work thrown on the banks by War conditions the government has ordered the undersigned banks to close and lock their doors promptly at 4 o'clock but the bank forces will be employed after that hour in working up the current days business, and no regular banking business will be transacted after 4 o'clock. To facilitate handling the Railroad pay roll the banks will stay open until 6 o'clock twice a month. We respectfully urge our customers to transact their business during banking hours from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m.

The First National Bank of Baird, By W. S. Hinds, Cashier.  
The Home National Bank of Baird, By T. E. Powell, Cashier.

#### NATIONAL HOLIDAY

Whereas the President of the United States proclaimed April 26th a national holiday for the purpose of devoting the entire day to working for the success of the Third Liberty Loan, and whereas the governor of each state as well as the mayor of each municipalities were requested to proclaim the above to the citizens of their respective localities, and in compliance with the request, I, H. Schwartz, Mayor of the City of Baird ask the citizens to fully observe and celebrate this National Liberty Loan Day, fully believing that you will show your patriotism and be as liberal in the purchase of Liberty Bonds with which we can and must win the war. H. Schwartz, Mayor.

#### MILL NOTICE.

I own the Custom Mill, at Clyde, a genuine French Burr Mill, and can make as good meal as can be made anywhere. I solicit your patronage. —Geo. B. Ely, Clyde. 20-2tp.

#### NOTICE.

Estate of M. J. Dyer, et al, Minors J. C. Dyer, Guardian.

In the County Court of Callahan County, Texas.

To all persons interested in the estate of M. J. Dyer and Modelle Dyer, minors:

Notice is hereby given that an application has been filed with the County Judge of Callahan County, Texas by J. C. Dyer, guardian of the estate of M. J. Dyer and Modelle Dyer, minors, for authority to lease the interest of said minors in the following lands located partly in Callahan and partly in Eastland County, Texas for the development of oil and gas and other minerals, which application will be heard by said County Judge on the 4th day of May 1918, at the Court House in the town of Baird in Callahan Co., Texas, at which time all persons desiring to contest said application will appear and show cause why such application should not be granted.

Witness my hand this the 24th day of April, 1918.  
21-1t. J. C. Dyer, Guardian.

LOST—A 34x4 United States tire, tube and rim, on April 19 or 20 either between Baird and Moran or Moran and Albany. Suitable reward for return to B. L. Boydston, Baird, Texas. 21-1 adv

#### NOTICE, SHERIFF'S SALE.

The State of Texas, County of Callahan.  
By virtue of an Order of Sale, issued out of the Honorable District Court of Callahan County, on the 26th day of March 1918, by the Clerk thereof, in the case of Mrs. Josephine Crossley, J. E. Arnold and W. E. Arnold versus M. L. Wood, No. 1566 and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell for cash, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's Sales, on the First Tuesday in June 1918, it being the 4th day of said month, before the Court House door of said Callahan County, in the City of Baird, the following described property, to-wit: Situated in the town of Baird, in Callahan County, Texas and being Lot No. 2 in Block No. 14, of the said town of Baird, according to the official map of the said town of record in Book "F" page 636, Deed Records of Callahan County, Texas, levied on as the property of M. L. Wood to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$495.00 in favor of Mrs. Josephine Crossley, J. E. Arnold and W. E. Arnold and costs of suit.

Given under my hand, this 25th day of April 1918.

J. A. Moore, Sheriff, Callahan Co., Texas. 21-3t.

#### CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank the many friends for their kindness and sympathy shown us during the recent illness of our children, and the death of our little 7 months old baby, Elizabeth, and also for the beautiful floral offering.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Elder.

#### DAIRY HAND WANTED

Good wages paid. Must be good milker. See H. M. Bailey, Baird 19

FOR SALE—Red Top Cane Seed and Black-Eyed Pea Seed at Alford Feed Store, Baird, S. E. Webb 20.3

Mayor H. Schwartz, Judge Russell Frank Russell, J. W. Turner, F. E. Alford, Pitt Ramsey, M. H. Hancock and Frank Buckels were among the Bairdites who attended the Liberty Loan Rally at Rowden, Wednesday night, Liberty Bonds to the amount of \$1,050, was subscribed.

**Ford**  
THE UNIVERSAL CAR

Touring Car \$503.38

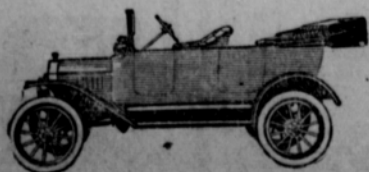
Roadster 487.99

F. O. B. BAIRD

Raise in price on cars includes difference in Freight and War Tax

Also Handle Supplies. Ford Repairing

**HARRY BERRY**





# HOW TO AVOID BACKACHE AND NERVOUSNESS

Told by Mrs. Lynch From Own Experience.

Providence, R. I.—"I was all run down in health, was nervous, had headaches, my back ached all the time. I was tired and had no ambition for anything. I had taken a number of medicines which did me no good. One day I read about Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and what it had done for women, so I tried it. My nervousness and backache and headaches disappeared. I gained in weight and feel fine, so I can honestly recommend Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to any woman who is suffering as I was."—Mrs. ADELINA B. LYNCH, 100 Plain St., Providence, R. I.

Women in this condition should not continue to drag along without help, but profit by Mrs. Lynch's experience, and try this famous root and herb remedy, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound—and for special advice write to Lydia E. Pinkham Med. Co., Lynn, Mass.

## NO CAMOUFLAGE IN THIS STORY

APPLY A FEW DROPS THEN LIFT TOUCHY CORNS OFF WITH FINGERS.

Don't hurt a bit! Drop a little freezeone on an aching corn, instantly that corn stops hurting, then you lift it right out. Yes, magic!



A tiny bottle of freezeone costs but a few cents at any drug store, but is sufficient to remove every hard corn, soft corn, or corn between the toes, and the callouses, without soreness or irritation.

Freezone is the sensational discovery of a Cincinnati genius. It is wonderful.—Adv.

Can Be Taken Either Way. "Imitation is the sincerest flattery." "Not at all," replied Miss Cayenne. "Flattery is the sincerest imitation."

Foolish people allow pride to rob them of many comforts.



## OUR DEFENSE

In the spring we may be attacked at any moment. Toxic poisons pile up within us after a hard winter, and we feel "run-down," tired out, blue and discouraged. This is the time to put our house in order—cleanse the system and put fresh blood into our arteries. You can obtain an alternative extract from Blood root, Golden Seal, Stone and Queen's root, Cherry bark, sold in a sugar-coated tablet and solid by most druggists, in sixty cent vials, as Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. This blood tonic, in tablet or liquid form, is just what you need for "Spring Fever," for that lack of ambition. It will fill you full of vim, vigor and vitality.

Chilliness, when other people feel warm enough, is a sign of biliousness, or of malarial poisons—so is a furrowed or coated tongue, loss of appetite, headaches and dizziness, and a dull, drowsy, debilitated feeling. It's your liver that's at fault. You want to stimulate it and invigorate it with Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. With every trouble of the kind, these tiny little things act like a miracle. You can break up sudden attacks of Colds, Fevers, and Inflamations, with them. They'll give you permanent benefit for Indigestion, Constipation, Sour Stomach, Sick Headache, and Dizziness. They are small and pleasant to take, and the most thoroughly natural remedy. Twenty-five cents at most drug stores.

PATENTS

## GERMANS FAIL IN DRIVE ON AMERICANS

ENEMY WHO PENETRATED POSITIONS ARE DRIVEN OUT AFTER BRIEF STRUGGLE.

### HUNS CLAIM 183 PRISONERS

Destroyed Enemy Defenses and Returned to Their Own Line, is German Official Statement.

London.—The German high command, having been unsuccessful in piercing the British front in Flanders and separating the British and French armies, has essayed a stroke against the Americans and the French northwest of Toul—and here also Teuton strategy has failed utterly to bring its plans to fruition.

Although the Germans attacked in waves with greatly superior numbers of men, the Americans and Frenchmen held all their positions and inflicted heavy losses on the enemy. What gains were made in the initial onslaughts have been entirely retrieved and Sunday night saw the American and French lines restored.

The latest Berlin official communication asserted that in the drive 183 American prisoners and 25 machine guns were captured by the Germans, who cut their way for about a mile and a quarter into the American lines at Seicheprey. There has been no confirmation of this statement or the added claim that the Americans sustained heavy casualties.

Although the enemy was able to reach the shell-torn village of Seicheprey the Americans rallied and in bloody hand-to-hand fighting reversed the situation and regained the town. Likewise all the terrain which the French in this region were forced to give up temporarily was retaken. The German official communication, in what seemingly is a half-hearted admission that the attack was repulsed and that the Germans lost what they had gained, says the Germans, "after the destruction of enemy works, returned to their lines of departure."

### MEXICANS DIG IN NEAR BORDER

Five Thousand Men Said to Be Now Assembled South of Big Bend.

El Paso.—Five thousand Mexican federal troops are entrenched on the border opposite the Big Bend district of Texas. A smaller force of Mexicans is entrenched opposite Fabens, Texas, east of El Paso. The concentration of Mexican troops and their warlike preparations were reported by American ranchmen who say it is a threat to the United States, that Mexico will resist further pursuit of Mexican bandits into Mexico by cavalry.

Border residents in the Big Bend regard the Mexican troop activity as a menace and say there are unmistakable evidences of anti-American sentiment being fostered among the Mexican by German agents, who use money freely in buying over the half-starved Mexicans. American army men are said to be well advised of the Mexican concentration and are reported preparing for an hostile move that may be made.

### Norwegian Sailing Ships Chartered.

Washington.—The shipping board has chartered 400,000 tons of Norwegian sailing ships. They will be put into nonhazardous trades, principally with South America, releasing ships for war trade. The sailing vessels will supplant about one-third as much steam tonnage, the difference being due to slower speed. Some of the chartered ships are as large as 5,000 tons capacity and all of them are of steel.

### Rushing Wheat to Hungry Belgium.

Washington.—Food shipments to the civilian population of the allied countries will be suspended for ten days to move 3,000,000 bushels of grain to the Belgians, who are declared to be in desperate straits. A part of the wheat will go to the population in the German-occupied territory of Northern France. The decision to concentrate on the shipment of this grain was made following the receipt of urgent cablegrams from the Belgian relief commission's representative in Brussels.

### Dollar Silver Bill Passes House.

Washington.—The administration bill authorizing the melting into bullion of 250,000,000 silver dollars to pay trade balances was passed by the house without amendment. It had been passed by the senate and now goes to the president. The bill provides for the retirement of silver certificates concurrent with the melting of silver dollars and for the purchase of silver at not more than \$1 an ounce to replace that melted.

## WARREN C. KENDALL



Warren C. Kendall of Boston, formerly with the Boston & Maine railroad, who has recently been appointed by Secretary McAdoo to head the car service division of the railroads of the country.

## WASHINGTON EXPECTS ALLIED DRIVE SOON

GENERAL FOCH BELIEVED NOW PREPARING FOR GREAT THRUST AT GERMANS.

Washington.—Events on the western battle front are shaping themselves, officers here believe, not only for defeat of the German drive, but for a counter offensive by General Foch's armies that may open the road to an allied victory.

A wave of optimism has swept over not only American officials, but also the military men of the allied missions in Washington. Some of them think it will be some days yet before General Foch can complete his troop dispositions for a great thrust at the enemy, but others look for word that he has struck at any time.

The news from the battle front is distinctly cheering. The British lines in hard-stricken Flanders are holding firmly. French reinforcements had arrived there, making practically certain that the German drive toward channel ports from that direction had been defeated.

At the same time official announcement came from Rome that Italian troops were already pouring into France to share in the crucial struggle there. This added to the optimism, for it means that the fighting men of France, Italy, Great Britain, America, Belgium, Portugal and the Russian units are being massed under one leader for a mighty blow when the time comes.

### Heavy German Attacks Fail.

The furious German attack reported in progress on the British line from Robecq to Givenchy—10 miles—Thursday night ended in failure, the enemy apparently abandoning the fight when he found the British lines invincible. This attack was along the south side of the salient made in the British line west of Armentieres and its success would have forced the British to withdraw their lines southward from Givenchy to Arras to probably a depth of 10 miles.

Friday there was practically no fighting in this region. There are reports of rain and sleet, which have turned the roads into quagmires and made the movement of troops and guns an almost impossible thing.

### 1,300,000 French Killed During War.

New York.—France in four years of conflict to preserve her own liberty and that of the world, according to Andre Tardieu, French high commissioner to the United States, has lost 1,300,000 men killed and almost as many wounded or prisoners. The high toll exacted by the war was made public by the noted French envoy in an address at a meeting of the Fatherless Children of France association.

### Women Vote in Marion Co. Primary.

Jefferson.—Women voted in the white citizens' primary to nominate candidates for county offices in Marion county. Misses May Hill and Willie Davis were the first women voters at the polls. A large number of women voted. This was the first time for women to vote in Marion county or in Texas.

### Austrians Will Strike May Day.

Amsterdam.—The Telegraf reports that the German Socialist party in Austria has decided that work shall stop May 1 throughout the country and that demonstrations in favor of peace shall be held.

## REINFORCED BRITISH HOLD GERMANS FAST

ALL ENEMY ASSAULTS IN FLANDERS BREAK DOWN UNDER HEAVY ALLIED FIRE.

### BELGIANS TAKE PRISONERS

French Score Small Gains as Result of Attacks Made to the South-east of Amiens.

London.—Reinforced by French troops, the allied line in Flanders Friday was holding hard against further incursions by the Germans from the region of La Bassée to the north of Ypres.

Everywhere the Germans struck the Flanders line in an endeavor to press back the defenders they have been repulsed with heavy losses and have been successful nowhere in gaining further ground.

Attacks of an extraordinarily violent nature were thrown by the Germans on the 10-mile front between Givenchy and Robecq, where an endeavor was made to cross the Le Bassée canal and bend southward the salient which now outflanks the important railroad town of Bethunes. A division of troops to each mile is being used by the Germans in this sector, but the British at last accounts were holding well and inflicting heavy losses on the enemy.

If successful the new attack of the Germans would jeopardize the entire Arras sector, which includes the famous French coaling region about Lens and the equally famous Vimy Ridge, where the Canadians are holding forth.

Considerable fighting has developed along the front in Northern Flanders between Langemarck and Kipp, held by the Belgians. At one point the enemy penetrated the Belgian lines but later was expelled, leaving 600 prisoners, among them numerous officers, in the hands of King Albert's men.

Southeast of Amiens along the Avere river the French made successful attacks against the Germans on several sectors, capturing the greater part of the Senecal wood and also advancing their line east and west of the stream. The Germans in the Aisne region attacked the French near Corpeny and also in the Champagne region, but in each instance were repulsed, while the French in Lorraine carried out a successful maneuver against the enemy, in which prisoners were taken.

On the Italian front artillery duels and patrol encounters continue. Intense aerial activity prevails over the entire front. Wednesday 17 enemy airplanes were brought down—five by Italian aviators and 12 by British.

### APR. 26 NATIONAL LIBERTY DAY.

President Calls on People to "Pledge Anew Financial Support to War."

Washington.—Friday, April 26, will be Liberty day throughout the United States, under a proclamation issued by President Wilson, calling on citizens of every community to hold Liberty loan rallies and "liberally pledge anew their financial support to sustain the nation's cause."

Patriotic demonstrations similar to those on the opening day of the campaign will be held on April 26 and the day devoted to giving the race toward the three billion-dollar war credit goal a new impetus for the final week.

Now with the loan campaign almost half over \$1,089,734,900 in subscriptions have been reported to the Treasury department.

### Swiss Neutrality to Be Put to Test.

Geneva.—The latest German and Austro-Hungarian newspapers received here continue to speak of the coming Teuton offensive against Italy. The most serious note comes from the Vossische Zeitung of Berlin, which says: "During the spring, Switzerland will see her neutrality exposed to the greatest and hardest proof, especially when Austro-German troops pass from the defensive." Guards in the prison camps in the Rhine towns have been so reduced because every German is wanted in the west that escapes into Switzerland are becoming more frequent.

### Serious Food Riots in Vienna.

Zurich.—Vienna newspapers report serious rioting in the meat market there Sunday. Ten thousand persons demanded meat, but only 1,000 kilograms were available. They then wanted horse flesh and when none was forthcoming they rushed the meat stalls. The police were summoned and cleared the halls. Many arrests were made.

### Germans May Strike More Forcefully.

Washington, D. C.—Another German thrust at the allied lines, more powerful than those that have gone before, is looked for by the War department's strategists if the present drive at the channel ports fails. The department's weekly review says the enemy's enormous sacrifices have been barren of primary results, but adds: "Looked at from a broad standpoint of the general situation, it can not be held that the battle now raging is the final nor even the most determined onslaught of the enemy."

## HON. J. W. LOWTHER



A recent picture of Hon. J. W. Lowther, speaker of the house of commons. Lowther was recently mentioned as a possible successor to Premier Lloyd George when newspapers recently assailed Lloyd George for his part in General Robertson's demotion.

## EARTH SHOCKS IN LOWER CALIFORNIA

One Person Killed, Several Others Hurt and Much Property Damage Done.

Los Angeles, Calif.—All southern California and part of Western Arizona and Utah were shaken Sunday at 3:30 p. m. by an earthquake which wrecked virtually all buildings and residences in Hemet and San Jacinto, two inland towns 45 miles southeast of Riverside, Calif., caused minor property damage in practically every town and city. One man, F. E. Darnell of this city, was trampled to death in a panic at Santa Monica. A woman was injured by falling from a second story window at San Jacinto, and a number of persons were injured there and elsewhere, none seriously.

### More Earth Shocks in California.

Los Angeles, Cal.—Nine earthquake shocks, severe in intensity, which began Sunday at 3:37 p. m., and extended over 30 hours, appeared Monday night to have completed their work of destruction, causing property damage roughly estimated at \$500,000. Thirty hours of anxious waiting brought no further news of damage in all Southern California, which suffered most, or Western Arizona and Utah, slightly affected, other than was previously reported.

### CABALLERO'S REVOLT GROWS.

German Propaganda is Hinted By Many Along the Rio Grande.

Brownsville, Texas.—With Victoria, the capital of Tamaulipas, in his hands and with four important Carranza generals, including General Eugenio Lopez, a former Matamoros commander, now joined with him, Luis Caballero's Tamaulipas revolution is beginning to assume greater importance. The railroad between Tampico and Victoria has been dynamited.

General Ricaut, nephew of President Carranza, military commander in Tamaulipas and its acting governor, officially notified Matamoros, opposite here, of the disaffection of Caballero, and instructed that preparations be made immediately to protect the city. Matamoros was the first port in the Carranza revolution and is regarded as an important point. A Caballero force is reported marching against it, but it would require fully two weeks to travel from Victoria to Matamoros by horse, the distance being 197 miles.

### Two Ship Loads of Grain for Holland

Washington.—Immediate shipment of two shiploads of grain to Holland was authorized by the war trade board to meet the growing shortage of food in that country. A third steamer will be permitted to proceed to Argentina to load grain for Holland. The three cargoes will amount to 14,000 tons, which, with other supplies, will be allowed to go forward despite curtailment of consumption here, just as if the shipping agreement with Holland had been put into effect.

### Baron Burian to Succeed Czernin.

Amsterdam.—Baron Burian has been appointed Austro-Hungarian foreign minister in succession to Count Czernin, according to a Vienna dispatch. Baron Burian, in taking the foreign ministry, retains his portfolio as minister of finance.

### 15 Ships Sunk By U-Boats Last Week

London.—The losses to British shipping by mine or submarine in the last week totaled 15, according to the admiralty report. Eleven of the merchantmen sunk were 1,600 tons or over and four under that tonnage. One fishing vessel also was sunk. Twelve vessels were unsuccessfully attacked. The arrivals numbered 3,311, sailings 2,456. In the previous week only six British merchantmen were sunk by mine or submarine, four of them of more than 1,600 tons.

## YOUR SICK CHILD IS CONSTIPATED! LOOK AT TONGUE

HURRY, MOTHER! REMOVE POISONS FROM LITTLE STOMACH, LIVER, BOWELS.

GIVE "CALIFORNIA SYRUP OF FIGS" IF CROSS, BILIOUS OR FEVERISH.



No matter what ails your child, a gentle, thorough laxative should always be the first treatment given.

If your little one is out of sorts, half-sick, isn't resting, eating and acting naturally—look, Mother! see if tongue is coated. This is a sure sign that the little stomach, liver and bowels are clogged with waste. When cross, irritable, feverish, stomach sour, breath bad or has stomach-ache, diarrhea, sore throat, full of cold, give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," and in a few hours all the constipated poison, undigested food and sour bile gently moves out of the little bowels without griping, and you have a well, playful child again.

Mothers can rest easy after giving this harmless "fruit laxative," because it never fails to cleanse the little one's liver and bowels and sweeten the stomach and they dearly love its pleasant taste. Full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups printed on each bottle.

Beware of counterfeit fig syrups. Ask your druggist for a bottle of "California Syrup of Figs;" then see that it is made by the "California Fig Syrup Company."—Adv.

The Point of View. The Piano Man—How's business? The Scissor Grinder—Fine! I've never seen things so dull.—Puck.

## FOODS TASTE BETTER COOKED —TOBACCO TASTES BETTER TOASTED

Since the day of the caveman, who liked his meat raw, civilization has learned a lot about the scientific treatment of the things we eat.

Naturally none of us would now prefer to have our meat raw, our potatoes as they come from the ground, our coffee unroasted.

And naturally follows the great discovery recently made by The American Tobacco Co.—that tobacco tastes better TOASTED!

This wonderful new idea—simple like all great inventions—was first used in producing the famous LUCKY STRIKE Cigarette—made of toasted Burley tobacco.

Burley has a mellow flavor, entirely different from the tobacco usually used for cigarettes. It is a pipe tobacco and LUCKY STRIKE Cigarettes taste like a pipe. Adv.

### Father's Confession.

"I've come to ask you if you will let your daughter marry me?" "You are not very well acquainted with her, are you, my boy?" "Why, I think so, sir." "I fear you are mistaken. If you knew her as well as I do, you wouldn't consider it necessary to ask me to let her do anything she has made up her mind to do."

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### The Proper Way.

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# The Protector of Finance

Tales of Resilius Marvel, Guardian of Bank Treasure

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## MY LADY VITRIOL

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There was no shadow of a doubt in my mind as I entered the offices of the United Bankers' Protective association that Resilius Marvel was studying out a new "case." He nodded to me in an abstracted way. On the glass-slatted table before him were a dozen or more little rolled-up wads of paper. I knew they represented puppets he had been moving about, shaking up, almost talking to, almost making them talk to him—separating, combining, analyzing, in fact winnowing facts with a sieve of probability.

"I think I've got it," he said, sweeping his mimes from the table with an air of precision and finality. "You have come in at the finish, probably. You were in at the start, so you will have a glimmering idea of what it is all about when I speak one word—Ransome."

"That is suggestive," I told Resilius Marvel, "but scarcely enlightening. I fancied that Allison Ransome was a closed chapter in the suppressed sensations of local banking circles."

"What! with one hundred thousand dollars unaccounted for, and the gag placed with all hands around?" derided the great one. "Hardly!"

Ransome had been anybody's friend and everybody's favorite. He had broken into banking about a year previous in the eager, rollicking fashion of a college lad full of financial theories and expecting some day to gain a presidency in a jump. His uncle was the big man in the Unity National bank, and Allison skipped over messenger service, "the books" and the currency pen in a very brief period, and had charge of the ponderous and opulent money vaults with three men to help him fill an easy job.

Then one day a big sensation was born at the "Unity National. Ransome and a bank policeman who had left the institution two hours previous, the former handcuffed to a treasure satchel, returned, both of them white-faced and scared looking. They bore the satchel casually enough now, for one side of it showed a circular gash with half the surface flapping loose, and emptiness where there had been fifty thousand dollars in neatly packed and labeled national bank notes.

In a word, this happened: A bank at Riverton, a suburb twenty miles out, had made a special deposit of the money noted, subject to call and personal delivery when required. It was a special fund and a larger sum in ready cash than the suburban bank cared to risk carrying. Besides that the transaction was trusted by the Unity National. The call of that morning had been anticipated for several days. Ransome was deputized to deliver the money and bring back a receipt.

He never qualified for the receipt and he and his guard never got as far as the suburban bank. Once aboard the train and occupying one seat together, in order to rest comfortably the handcuff was unlocked and the satchel was set on the car floor. The guard retained hold of the end of the chain, and Ransome set his feet firmly on the satchel so it could not be budged without his knowing it. Lo and behold! in spite of all their precision, as they neared the end of their brief journey and lifted the satchel to rehandcuff it to the wrist of Ransome, it was discovered empty. That is, some one occupying the seat directly behind them had reached under the tilting footrest, had inserted a keen shoe blade within the leather receptacle and had quietly lifted out its contents. The train had stopped at all local stations, so the clever thief might have left the train at any one of six stops.

Not a soul recalled even noticing the missing passenger. The shoe knife was found on the car floor. Also a cane, light and somewhat peculiar as to its end fitting—of which more anon. It was now in the possession of the man who had reawakened in my mind the little history I am trying to epitomize in my straggling, faulty way.

Neither money nor thief was found. No possible blame could attach to young Ransome. It marked him, however, as an unlucky wight with a big loss to his record. Then followed a happening that placed him in the "hoodoo" class. It was in connection with the bank cash reserve, the real strength and sinew of the institution, kept sacred and apart within the holy of holies of the Unity National. When foreign capitalists visited the bank, or it was policy and business to impress a client, or ruralite correspondents were in evidence, it was the practice to show them over the institution, winding up with a view of the treasures of the great inner vault where real money was really kept.

As in all large banks the Unity National maintained its actual cash reserve in permanent form. Thus there were packages representing \$10,000, \$50,000, even \$100,000. In these the notes were of large denomination, mostly \$100, \$1,000, and some \$10,000 bills. To facilitate the work of the bank examiner, these packages were originally verified and sealed as to amount officially. When the government examiner visited the bank he

would simply count the packages, accepting their stamped value, tossing them aside and aggregating amounts, even as you and I the small change for a dollar.

One day it was necessary to use a large amount of the reserve cash, a \$50,000 package included in the aggregate was found to contain, instead of fifty \$1,000 bills, exactly fifty ones. That package had been passed from hand to hand for over a year, its stamped value always accepted without hesitation. The cord enclosing it, duly covered with government seals, was apparently all right. There was nothing in the exterior appearance of the package to indicate tampering or substitution.

Here was a cold, clear fact, however—\$49,950 short. The sub-treasury agent looked over the opened package, casually inspected the coverings, and calmly called attention to three facts that were incontrovertible: the string was not government string, the wax in the seals was not government wax and the paper enclosing the package did not bear the government water mark. In other words, the government disputed ever delivering the package to the Unity National. Someone had substituted the one containing the one-dollar bills a month back—two, three, six—or yesterday, or today. It was the duty of Allison Ransome to guess how it could have been done, for he was responsible for the deeds and misdeeds of the department.

Resilius Marvel had been called in. It took him a day to decide that nobody in the bank had worked the substitution. When he came to examine the wrapper that had enclosed the substituted bills, he found that it had been a discarded covering for some other package at one time, such as were thrown into the waste room. The figures had been changed, but the official stamp helped through the imposition. As to the seals, they had been broken in opening the package, so their recent real condition could not be estimated.

At the time I was a silent loungeur in a dark corner in Marvel's private office when he held a rapid fire colloquy with this same Allison Ransome. I felt sorry for the young fellow, for he was so artless, so distressed, so clear in his statements, that there was not a false note palpable in what he said. He had brought the visitor's register with him. Spread out on the same glass-topped table where I now confronted Marvel, the twain went over it line by line.

There were foreign and sight-seeing visitors, soon disposed of. The representatives of country banks came under cynosure with no results warranting suspicion. Every name on the register was tallied off quite satisfactorily until they came to a delicate line announcing Miss Vera Tithenor.

"Credited to whom?" Marvel had challenged, keeping his finger on the penciled initials after the name and looking Ransome squarely in the face, who flushed like a schoolboy and blurted out:

"Myself."

I noticed Marvel just there start slightly.

"A friend—a relative?"

"A friend, yes," answered Ransome; "well, I might better say an acquaintance. I knew the lady only casually at the time. She expressed a wish to go through the bank and of course I had to be courteous. Then she brought a friend. She was very much interested in bank details, saying her father and her uncle had been in that line once."

"Tall, fair?" insinuated Marvel, and I knew he was prompted to pursue the topic by the vagrant thought noted.

"Tall, fair—very fair," acceded the young fellow, with almost a sigh.

"Light blue eyes—some disfigured?" continued Marvel.

"Why, no!" exclaimed Ransome, with a hard stare. "What a strange question to ask, sir! Blue eyes! Disfigured! Indeed, no, sir—eyes black as a sloe, and very bright and—bewitching. I've got to say it," explained the speaker, with a slight laugh, "for to tell you the truth, I fancied I was in love with Miss Tithenor at the time."

"And now?" interrogated Marvel, mercilessly.

"I have not seen her for weeks. I understand she has gone abroad."

The color of the eyes seemed to settle the matter with Marvel, and he checked off the name. After that evening I considered the case abandoned, for I had not heard Marvel mention it since. The bank quietly buried the circumstances, but young Ransome left its employ a week later. I understood that he had joined some small brokerage firm. There was no imputation as to his honesty, but the luckless loss of \$100,000 to the bank stood against him on the records.

And now Resilius Marvel, with his paper wad puppets and his mention of a half-forgotten name had revived in my mind the facts I have just stated—to prepare me, I was sure, for the second volume of what I had accounted to be a closed book.

He now said:

"And so we arrived at a re-opening

of the Ransome incident. I use the singular, for the substituted sub-treasury package and the rifled bank satchel were parts and parcels of one plot, schemed out by one master mind, with more to come."

"I am interested," I said, and prepared to listen.

Marvel opened the broad drawer of the table to take out a long, thin article. It was a cane, slight in look, but I found later on handling it, strong and rigid as a steel bar.

"The cane you found in the car where the satchel was ripped open," I began.

"No," he dissented; "one something like it, but this is quite another cane. Naturally, losing one, the original owner supplied his equipment with another."

"Equipment?" I repeated.

"Kit is better," added Marvel. "See here."

He held it so that the lower end was directly towards me. He manipulated some clutch or screw in the handle. There protruded then from the hollow bottom of the cane a sloping piece of metal about half an inch square.

"It looks like a screwdriver point," I remarked.

"Yes," nodded my friend, "this cane is a masked screwdriver. About three months since a man, later giving the name of William Goldsmith, started to leave a street car. In doing so his foot met an obstruction. He plunged forward, struck the floor and was lifted out to the street to await the ambulance, having suffered a dislocated shoulder. The company was glad to settle with him for fifteen hundred dollars. Investigation showed that a screw holding a metal plate to the bottom of the car had come loose and worked up nearly its length. The charge of negligence against the railway company, therefore, was patent. I heard of the case quite incidentally, but when I did two points suggested immediately interested me. I had on my list an ambulance-chaser worker who had been an acrobat, and who had the power of throwing his shoulder or hips out of joint to order. His graft was to work accident, street car

"Not at all. He acted for others, and others, or rather one other, received the bulk proceeds of the clever satchel robbery. This same person received also the \$50,000 from the sub-treasury package. The work was done by another of his efficient aids—Miss Vera Tithenor."

"The man who holds the strings in this double looting of the Unity National," continued Marvel, "is Malachi Purvois, banker."

"The head and front of the combination is Purvois," he re-asserted. "This is for private use only, of course, as we want no premature explosion. Now, then, a social end comes into this affair. You know how far I am away from that phase of activity. I have sent for you as an empirical co-efficient. You will cultivate Purvois, you will be invited to some social function, you will meet Miss Tithenor, possibly Ferret, in a new guise, certainly Allison Ransome."

"When you have visited the inner social circle of the tribe Purvois," proceeded Marvel tersely, "report to me. I especially expect a close study and analysis of this Miss Tithenor's eyes. Particularly note how far this foolish, but ingenious young Ransome is infatuated with her. This is all new to you. It will be very old to you in a week, after the mine is exploded."

I left Marvel, feeling somewhat thoughtful. I knew I left him just as he would wish. He had given me a mission to perform, with explanations, if necessary, to come later. I knew his methods so well that I accepted directions and prepared to follow them out.

Now as to Malachi Purvois, this much was interesting to me: he cleared his small private bank through our institution. He was a new-comer in the local financial community, but so precise, prompt and reliable in all his dealings that he had won considerable notice as a coming scalper on the outside of the legitimate banks. Some of his dealings had been large. His balances were not bad, he collateralized everything securely and seemed to have ample capital. So far as I could surmise he was too shrewd and going a man to commit

lady introduced to me as Miss Tithenor.

I must say she was very attractive, but more in manner than in beauty. There was a sinuous, dallying softness to her smile that wrapped about the casual observer invitingly, though to me in a measure warningly. As to those eyes, I saw them not. Until the end of the evening not once did I find the opportunity to meet them, much less to scrutinize closely. She had long lashes and a way of peeping through them sideways, an evasive trick of shifting and concealing their expression. They were black—jet black. I learned that much, but nothing more.

But I made a discovery, an important one, I learned not much later. Purvois had pressed me to remain, intimating business. It was when most of the guests had departed that he took my arm, nodded to Ransome, and we three were soon ensconced in a little boudoir of a boudoir, temporarily in use as a smoking room. On top of the lighting of the cigars, in his usual quick business way, Purvois spoke to me promptly:

"You know Ransome?"

"Very well, I am glad to say," I responded, and caught a grateful gleam from the eye of the young man in question.

"He has told me his history," proceeded Purvois. "I do not care to re-traverse it, but you of all men, from the same bank where he served, can answer one question finally—he is strictly honest, if unfortunate?"

"I think no one has ever doubted that."

"He has applied to me for the cashiership of my bank," went on Purvois in a rush of words. "I know he is untrained, or rather too quickly trained. It is only a question of plasticity as to my suggestions, and—trustworthiness. I am about to handle large sums as trustee for a Russo-American syndicate. They require heavy bonds, and this young man must qualify for a large surety."

"Any liability company would furnish it, I think," was my reply to this.

That was working, and how far was my candid opinion of the honesty of young Ransome helping the plans of Resilius Marvel? I asked myself as I reached home that night. When I reported to him the next day he did not enlighten me any further than to observe:

"Very good. I see the light, and—the end."

"The end" did not seem to materialize very rapidly. In fact, at the end of the month I began to suspect that somewhere in the skein of mysteries, a strand had knotted, somehow. In the meantime I had received a blank from the Guaranty Indemnity company as one of the references of Allison Ransome, who desired, it was stated, to obtain a \$100,000 surety bond as cashier for the banking house of Purvois & Co. I had showed this to Marvel.

"Answer it in the usual way," he directed tersely.

It was five weeks after this, one evening, that Marvel flashed past me on the street with two men whose guarded way of looking forward told me they were in his company with a purpose.

"Tomorrow," he said, simply, in a low tone.

Tomorrow it was—the crisis, though not the final climax. Only a part of my breakfast was complacent. The rest of it, after I had taken up a morning paper, was ruffled and unsatisfactory.

In glaring headlines the print told of an enormous embezzlement—the cashier of the banking house of Purvois & Co. had disappeared two days previous, carrying away with him over \$200,000 in cash and securities. No trace of him was suggested. The past record of young Ransome was renewed, at some pains it seemed to me. To the public the incident seemed a fitting climax to the career of a young man who had left another bank "under suspicion of being involved in two inexplicable \$50,000 losses"—so runs the world away.

Great unction in behalf of the depleted banker was exercised in stating that no possible loss could accrue to Purvois & Co., nor to their depositors, as the missing cashier had been bonded by the Guaranty Indemnity company for an amount equal to the amount of the defalcation.

I had just reached my room that evening, when a telephone call announced my friend at the other end of the line.

"Come at once to the Cafe Majestic," he said.

He led me three squares away when I had joined him. I noticed that we passed the pretentious gilt and glass plate front of the Purvois banking house. Then, where a court intersected the street just beyond the place, Marvel took the lead toward a gloomy, boarded-up structure that had once been a warehouse.

Four men sprang suddenly into view as Marvel pushed open a door, but drew back as they recognized my guide. Then up two flights of stairs we went and into a lighted room. Its door was as well guarded as below. Again Marvel was in himself a password. As we came into the room I noticed two professional looking men standing near a cot. Upon it, white and motionless, lay Allison Ransome. I could not control the wave of pity that involuntarily swept over me. The rigid calm of that handsome young face was apparently that of death. Then I knew more, for my friend asked one of the physicians:

"How will it end, doctor?"

"He will live, I think," was the response, made guardedly. "Some depressing narcotic, subtle as the old aqua tofana, has been administered. The purpose seems to have been to reduce mind and body to a permanent

condition of lethargy, rather than to produce a distinct toxic effect."

"You have diagnosed it right," assured Marvel. "Within an hour I shall probably know the properties of the medicine."

"That will aid us materially," was the reply.

There seemed to be a great many ramifications to the operations of Resilius Marvel. I was beginning to understand conditions. The alleged embezzlement was a subterfuge on the part of Purvois to secure a new \$100,000 from the surety company. The plan was to cause the disappearance of the unsuspecting Ransome until the conspirators were ready to embark with their loot for parts unknown.

I further knew, as Marvel entered another room, that he had discovered the men whose part it was to keep the man denounced as the absconder out of the way. Three men were ranged on a bench along the wall, handcuffed, and three men guarded them. I soon knew, too, that the end one was Tod Ferret. My friend brought a letter from his pocket and extended it with a pencil to this man.

"It's understood that I'm to get the benefit if I sign," said Ferret.

"You will go free, unfortunately, if Purvois comes to time," replied Marvel. "I promise nothing."

He dispatched a man with the letter. Within half an hour Purvois came into the room. He was pale, breathless, cowed and crushed as Marvel placed him on the rack.

"Your course can be plain or crooked, as you choose," advised my friend. "What I demand is the \$100,000 you secured from the bank in your clever raids. The surety company will protect itself. I advise you to close up business and depart for new fields after that. I regret that the policy of the banks is to avoid publicity, or you and your friends would have a long spell of rest from business activities—including my Lady Vitriol."

"Ha!" exclaimed Purvois with a spasmodic jerk of his head—"you know that?"

"She was a bold woman, with her foreign record so well known, to venture into prominence again," said Marvel. "She is waiting for you—after you have settled your bill with the bank."

It was a foregone conclusion that the prime mover in the plot, Purvois, should see his way clear to turn over the \$100,000 belonging to the bank. With a knowledge of the action of the drug administered in their possession, the physicians knew how to cope with its deadening effects, and Allison Ransome was soon out of danger.

"You gave me my cue the night you advised me of the intention of Purvois to employ the young man as his cashier," Marvel told me. "I was ready then to spring the trap as to my Lady Vitriol, but I fancied giving them a little more rope might close the net more securely. At her first visit to the bank our Miss Tithenor managed to get possession from the waste paper of a rejected sub-treasury wrapper. On the second occasion she made the substitution. As to the satchel episode, she utilized what she had learned of the bank routine from Ransome, and posted her ally, Ferret."

"Ransome's uncle will be glad to see the affair cleared up," I remarked.

"And a certain young lady with whom Ransome has faltered in his fealty will be glad also," added my friend. "He will find his way back to her, I am sure, a wiser and better man for his severe lesson."

"And Lady Vitriol?" I asked Resilius Marvel the next morning.

The great one drew two thin, vitreous objects from his pocket. They were delicately carved disks, exquisitely constructed and tinted.

"My Lady Vitriol," he enlightened me, "was a famous Berlin beauty five years ago. She got into trouble trying to blind a grand duke or something of that sort out of jealousy. The corrosive vitriol struck her own eyes instead. All she won was banishment, notoriety and the name as I give it to you. It took me a week to account for the missing eyes of blue—another to secure these duplicates of the filmy disguise she now wears."

I looked long and interestedly at the filmy shells. They represented no mean workmanship.

"It must have taken an artist to make these," I submitted.

"Yes, and my Lady Vitriol is a real artist herself in her line, as you have seen," was the reply of Resilius Marvel.

Wanted Her for Himself.

There are some good stories of Anglo-Indian life in Lady Logan's newly published volume of Recollections.

One particularly amusing one hinges upon the marriage of her brother, Gen. Charles Campbell, to a Miss Wemyss at Cawnpore.

The bridegroom (writes Lady Logan) appeared to take a very languid interest in the ceremony, being very slack in answering the responses.

The Puranian clerk thereupon took upon himself to prompt him in his part; but when it came to the question "Wilt thou take this woman to be thy wedded wife?" and the zealous official replied for him in a loud nasal chant, "I—I will," General Campbell electrified the congregation by turning round in a towering passion, and shouting at him:

"I'll be hanged if you do, sir!"

The effect, to put it mildly, was decidedly disconcerting to everybody; but, anyway, it put more life into Campbell's participation in the rest of the service.

Good Humor Appreciated.

"Good humor may be said to be one of the very best articles of dress one may wear in society."—Thackeray.



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and insurance companies, and when the cane was shown me I guessed that its end had been used to lift the screw in the car floor so as to give the schemer an opportunity to stumble over something. When I ran down this alleged William Goldsmith and had a look at him, I recognized him as an old-timer long off the local books, but now apparently returned to his former harvest fields. He had come back, it seemed, with a new repertoire. His former prize dodge was the lost eye."

"The lost eye?" I queried in amazement.

"Yes. It is a trivial element in the great aggregate, but to explain briefly—William Goldsmith, alias Tod Ferret, originator of quite a clever scheme for raising the wind when in need of funds. He would approach a fruit stand and make some slight purchase. Suddenly he would put his handkerchief up to his eye and appear greatly distressed, while pulling over the stock in a frantic search. He would inform the proprietor of the stand that he had lost his glass eye, and after a search would tell him to make a closer look and he would call again and gladly give twenty-five dollars if he found the eye. In about an hour an accomplice would appear, also make a purchase, pretend to find the eye, disclose it, and the stand man having in mind the reward offered for it would bargain for it at ten or fifteen dollars."

"And this Ferret?"

"This glass eye specialist," pursued Marvel, "is also the owner of that cane. He is the man who stole the \$50,000 from the satchel young Ransome and the bank officer carried on the suburban train."

"Oh, you know that?"

"And considerably more."

"I can realize that, for you never waste time on preliminaries that have not a final important focus. I presume this Ferret has retired from his professional duties to enjoy life as a man of wealth and leisure?"

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But Marvel knew—he always knew. There was a zest in collaborating with that great man, for in the end there was a gratifying blaze of discovery and fruition so far out of the ordinary that it was worth effort and was an enjoyable event to participate in.

It was not difficult to follow out my friend's advice as to cultivating Purvois. He had an eye to business, and a specious professional call from myself, the secretary of his clearing bank, led to a cigar, then to lunch. I made a pretense of wanting his opinion as to some Russo-Siberian bonds. It was natural that Purvois should be familiar with these, for he had originally come, I understood, from a part of the czar's dominions where such as he had been baited and driven from pillar to post for generations. At the end of a week, in a cordial way, he invited me to a small social function at his home.

There was my wedge. Behold me, one evening, in the reception room of a gaudy apartment floor. Everything suggested the ephemeral, just as his banking quarters had—a furnishing easily convertible into cash, readily removed, of light compass and light value, but glaring and impressive in a popular sense. There were some twenty guests present. One was a leading scrap-iron nabob of his class. Another borrowed at the bank on bills receivable discounts. A third was an insurance adjuster for the assured—all men of some means at the tip-top of what was best in the commercial Queer street.

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Last Sunday was just one calendar month from the day the German drive started and the German armies were to be in Paris by April 1st and a German peace later was to be dictated from the French Capital. Well perhaps Hindenburg has read Burns poem and knows what he said about the best laid plans of mice and men going astray.

Buy Liberty Bonds if you can; if you cannot buy bonds buy Thrift stamps. Nearly every family can do that much. A two-bit stamp is not much but every little helps. Every American man, woman, boy and girl ought to buy bonds or thrift stamps. You do two good things in so doing, you help the government and help yourself and form a habit of saving. The American people are the worst spend-thrifts in this old world. This war is going to change all this.

The German drive started with the Kaiser in the band wagon. When the band wagon began to look more like a hearse than a band wagon the Kaiser jumped out and returned the reins to Hindenburg who really had charge all the time, but had the drive proven successful the Kaiser would have gone down in history as the greatest military genius of this bloody war, when in fact he is nothing but a bloody hypocrite that says God is with him in devastating neighboring nations.

Two days after the great German drive started, when the Germans were sweeping everything before them, it was announced that the Kaiser had assumed command in person. This, as was believed at the time, was only a hypocritical lie for popularity for the cracked brained He Devil who brought on the war to gratify his own personal ambitions. When the "great drive" began to slow up and finally bogged down in the mud flats of Flanders, we heard no more of the Kaiser as being in personal command of "my armies."

Some people are disposed to question the loyalty of everyone bearing a German name. This is both unfair and foolish. Look at the casualty list of American soldiers falling in defense of our flag every day now and you will see German names mixed freely with the dead and wounded. Because some Germans have proven disloyal in this country is no reason why we should question the loyalty of all Germans. We doubt if there is any more disloyalty among native born Americans of German descent than of any other nationality. We have heard of very few naturalized Germans proving traitors to this country.

This cruel war seems to have extinguished every kindly feeling of the antagonist for each other, Aviation Corps on each side excepted. Baron Ritzthofen, the famous German flyer, was shot down behind the British lines Sunday evening. The British officers announced that they would give the famous German officer a military funeral and bury him near where he fell. Thus we see that among the allies at least that the spirit of chivalry is not entirely extinct. Pat O'Brien, the flyer who escaped from a German prison train, says that the only kindly treatment he received was from the German aviators.

**LIBERTY BOND HONOR ROLL.**

(Continued from last week)

Wiley M James	300.
J H James	100.
J H McClendon	50.
B E Higgins	50.
D F Harp	500.
B F Austin	100.

C B Snyder	1000.
Mrs M L Teeple	600.
Miss Cora Fox Young	50.
Mrs W E Lowe	100.
Ruth Akers	50.
C P Correll	50.
E L Finley	500.
P G Hatchett	1000.
Ada Powell	50.
E C Pretz	50.
Mrs C Young	100.
M H Hancock	50.
T B Harris	50.
M G Farmer	100.
Mrs W I Capps	100.
Mrs Ben Sigal	100.
W E Melton	100.
W R Ely	500.
John Schaffrina	50.
T W Eastham	50.
F S Burt	50.
Bill Hatchett	50.
S F Russell	50.
I O O F Lodge	100.
J M W Monroe	100.
F E Mitchell	50.
Miss Lua James	50.
Miss Esther James	50.
W L Ray	50.
Frenchie May Scott	50.
S E Webb	100.
Mrs. Cora L. and Winnie Finch	50.
J F Greenrock	50.
C E Gates	50.
T A Ince	50.
Jas. Bensley	50.
J M Gray	50.
W I Elder	50.
Walter Edwards	50.
G W Ham	50.
H C Jones	50.
Luther Maner	50.
Elsie Pancoast	100.
E L Drake	50.
Willie May Walker	50.
Frank Estes	50.
W A Underwood	50.
S A D Ground	50.
E H Taylor	50.
J C Rose	50.
C M Shelton	50.
W E Williams	50.
Lee Estes	50.
J J Lamon	150.
R D White	50.
M F Blount	50.
B F Linn	50.
C W Graham	50.
V H Cowan	50.
O W Hall	50.
W Hanks	50.
W W Brown	50.
E B Jones	50.
T J Lidia	50.
M H Brown	50.
R E Bounds	50.
M Fronabarger	50.
W H Akers, Thrift Stamps,	100.
J E Friend	50.
C C Davis	50.
J W Farmer	50.
John Orr	50.
Dee Orr	50.
D W Ringler	50.
Jas. Allphine	50.

The following list was sent in by Ben Allen, Cashier of The First State Bank of Oplin:

J M Warren	\$100.
Henry McWhorter	50.
W C McKinley	50.
G A Gwin	50.
Jess Poindexter	50.
Chas D Straley	100.
H W Preston	100.
T S McIntyre	50.
Mrs. Ernest McIntyre	100.
Ernest McIntyre	100.
Lee Straley	50.
H Windham, Sr	100.
Mrs Sarah E Dickson	100.
Mrs W C Lofton	100.
Mrs Mary Johnson	100.
Will Poindexter	100.
Miss Mallie Johnson	50.
A D Looney	50.
B M Likens	50.
B H Likens	50.
W J. Steakley	50.
Albert E Chatham	100.
J H Stralay	100.
Mrs J H Straley	50.
H B Straley	50.
Mrs Laura Roberson	100.
Oliver Collins	100.
Joe Slaughter	50.
Mrs Alice Slaughter	50.
J T Warren	50.
J O Williams	50.
Andrew Johnson	50.
Martin Conroy	1,500.
A H Armour	200.
W C Bains	100.
Mrs Belle Wagoner	50.
Oron Bains	50.
W J Glenn	50.
O J Rucker	200.
R P Arnold	50.
Arthur Dickson	50.
Sam Windham	100.
J H McIntyre	100.
Chas Yost	500.
Gabe Smartt	400.
J C Rucker	150.
Dee Peevy	50.
Mrs May Brooks	50.
P C Brooks	50.
Clint A McIntyre	50.
J H Moore	50.
Lon Dickson	50.
J F Barton	50.
Hilery Windham, Jr	50.
W L Atwood	50.
Ed Johnson	50.
Will Johnson	200.
Mrs Annie Lincecum	100.
W T Johnson	50.
L L McBain	100.
B F Collins	50.

Gerard O Crosswell	10,000.
Ira Grantham	50.
F A Jordan	50.
W E Clayton	100.
Rufus G Campbell	100.
N E Bains	100.
J O Minyard	100.
J G Barton	100.
John Clements	50.
J L Logadon	50.
F P Logedon	50.
Jack Monroe Wright	50.
E J Schmidt	50.
F E Crawford	50.
Jim Kimble	100.
Jack Bryson	50.
Ben Allen	100.
Mrs Della Colbert	50.
H R Wright	50.
Philip Thompson	200.
E Mitchell	100.
Q J Johnson	50.

(Continued next week.)

**APPLICATION FOR GUARDIANSHIP.**

The State of Texas: To the Sheriff or any Constable of Callahan County, Greeting: You are hereby commanded to cite all persons interested in the welfare of M. J. Dyer and Modelle Dyer, Minors, by causing to be published in The Baird Star, a newspaper regularly published in Callahan County, Texas, for three consecutive issues, before the return day hereof, a true copy of the within citation to appear at the next regular term of the County Court of Callahan County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, on the 1st Monday in June A. D. 1918, the same being the 3rd day of June A. D. 1918, and contest, if they see proper to do so, the application of J. C. Dyer, which has been filed in said Court, for the Guardianship of said M. J. Dyer and Modell Dyer, Minors.

Herein Fail Not, but have you before said Court, at the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness: Chas. Nordyke, Clerk of the County Court of Callahan County.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in the city of Baird, this the 17th day of April A. D. 1918.

Chas. Nordyke, Clerk, County Court, Callahan County, Texas.

I hereby certify, That the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original Citation now in my hands.

J. A. Moore, Sheriff, Callahan County, Texas.

**SHERIFF'S RETURN.**

Came to hand on the 17th day of April, A. D. 1918, at 9 o'clock A. M. and executed on the 17th day of April, 1918, at 10 o'clock A. M. by causing to be published a true copy of the within Citation in The Baird Star as follows: First publication on the 19th day of April, 1918; Second publication on the 26th day of April, Third publication on the 3rd day of May, 1918.

Witness my hand officially, this the 17th day of April, A. D. 1918.

J. A. Moore, Sheriff, 20-3t. Callahan County, Texas.

Claud and Luke Terry, who have been working in Oklahoma, came in the first of the week to spend a few days with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Terry.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. B. Ely, of Clyde, were in Baird, yesterday, and made The Star office a pleasant call Mr. and Mrs. Ely formerly lived in Baird, and have many friends here.

Jim Davidson, who recently moved to Nevada, is back this week looking after some business affairs. He will return to Nevada in a few days.

We are making special prices on three lots of Ladies hats. See them 20-2t. B. L. Boydston.

John McGowen and Bill Work have opened a "Tire Hospital" in the building formerly occupied by E. H. Dunlap Motor Co. and are prepared to do vulcanizing and repairing of tires and tubes. See ad in this issue.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. B. Scott, Dr. and Mrs. V. E. Hill went to Brownwood, Tuesday night to hear Miss Margaret Wilson sing. Miss Wilson daughter of President Wilson is working in the interest of the Red Cross.

Joe C. Crutchfield of Ambulance Co. 26, who has been stationed at Fort Clark, Texas, has been promoted to the rank of Corporal and transferred to Camp Merritt, N. J. The Star is always glad to learn of the promotion of our own Callahan County boys.

Remember we have a big assortment of Palmer Suits at prices that will surprise you. 20-2t. B. L. Boydston.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

We are authorized to announce the following named candidates for office subject to the action of the Democratic primary:

**DISTRICT OFFICES**

For Representative, 110 District, Callahan and Brown counties: J. F. Cartwright of Brown county

**For District Clerk:**

Thos. H. Floyd, Baird  
Mrs. Katie Burkett-Grubbs, Clyde  
Roy D. Williams, of Baird

**COUNTY OFFICES**

For Tax Assessor: C. W. Conner Baird

Jack Jones Baird

Melvin G. Farmer re-election

W. R. Robbins, Cottonwood

V. L. Fulton Cottonwood

H. C. (Clay) Ncworthy of Clyde

For Tax Collector: W. P. Ramsey Baird

Roy Kendrick Denton

W. A. Everett of Cottonwood

J. A. Kerley of Clyde

For County Clerk: Chas. Nordyke re-election

For Sheriff: C. H. Corn of Putnam

Geo. W. Williams of Clyde

Pete Fulcher of Baird

S. B. Stansbury Atwell

For County Judge: R. L. Surles of Baird

J. R. Black of Admiral

For County Treasurer: J. S. Yeager of Putnam

W. C. Martin Admiral

For Superintendent Public School: S. Ernest Settle Re-election

For Commissioner Precinct No. 3: J. B. Eubank Putnam

E. R. Sprawls

For Commissioner Pre. No. 2: H. Windham Tecumseh

For Justice of the Peace Pre. No. 4: H. Windham

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For Sale—King Giant, No. 83783, Poland China male, 15 months old, price \$40.00.—Sidney S. Harville, Admiral, Texas. 17-tf.

**APPLICATION FOR GUARDIANSHIP.**

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Herein Fail Not, But have you before said Court, at the next term thereof, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, Chas. Nordyke, Clerk of the County Court of Callahan County

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in the city of Baird, this the 17th day of April,

# GEM THEATRE

PROGRAM, WEEK BEGINNING SATURDAY, APRIL 27

Olive Thomas in  
**"LIMONSINE LIFE"**  
**"AIRING THEIR TROUBLES"**  
Triangle Comedy

**MONDAY:**  
Ethel Clayton in  
**"WHIMS OF SOCIETY"**  
Also a 2 reel Keystone Comedy

**TUESDAY:**  
Wm. V. Mong and Wilt Whitman  
**"THE HOPPER"**  
**"SAFE DISASTER"**  
Comedy

**WEDNESDAY:**  
Eddie Polo, "Pedro" in  
**"THE BULL'S EYE"**  
The Greatest of all Western Serials. Also Four other good reels, Comedy, etc

**THURSDAY,**  
**A Wm. A BRADY WORLD FEATURE**  
Also a roaring Harold Lloyd Comedy and the Ford Weekly

**FRIDAY,**  
**WM. S. HART**  
in a thrilling Western Drama and other reels, Comedy, etc. A Hart Picture every Friday.  
**ADMISSION ALL THE WEEK 10 & 20 CTS.**  
**H. T. HODGES, Mgr.**

## Groceries and Fresh Meats

We carry at all times a full line of fresh staple and fancy Groceries and are prepared to supply you with the best. We also carry all kinds of Fresh Meats, which makes it very convenient to order your Groceries and Meat at the same time and have all delivered at the same time. Prompt and careful attention given all orders.

### E. M. WRISTEN

Phones 4 and 26 Prompt Delivery

## Expert Tire Repairing

Don't throw away your tires just because it blows out. We repair any kind of blowout or rim cut. Bring them to

### "Baird Tire Hospital"

First Door South of E. Cooke's Hardware Store  
Sectional work a Specialty Tubes promptly and well done  
All Work Guaranteed  
**MCGOWEN & WORKS, Props**

## Double It!

That subscription to the Liberty Loan As a nation we have not yet done our share We have subscribed to the war only out of surplus wealth—money we did not need. The Frenchmen, the Englishman, is subscribing far more in proportion. He is wearing old clothes, eating less food, his wife is working in an ammunition factory or on a farm, his sons are either fighting or dead. Let not only duty but your American pride guide you.

# Double It!

That Subscription to

## The Liberty Loan

### The First National Bank



With The Imperative Money Needs of  
Our Government in Thought,  
We are Selling

## QUALITY MERCHANDISE

at a small profit so you may invest more of  
your savings in Liberty Bonds of the 3rd Loan

### IT ALL DEPENDS UPON YOU!

The enemy has definitely decided to win the war this year and "the fate of the Empire, the fate of Europe, and the fate of liberty throughout the world" may depend upon the ability of the Allies, and especially of America, to feed fresh man-power to the firing line during the next seven or eight months. Already our troop-movement to France has been increased threefold in a few weeks, according to an Associated Press dispatch from Washington, and at the same time the records show a falling off in the activeness of Germany's U-boat campaign.

Because of the immediate emergency in France, American battalions will be brigaded with British and French divisions, "one of the most important decisions of the war," declares Lloyd George, "in fact, the issue of the battle might very well be determined by it."

## MY STORE

H. SCHWARTZ, Prop.

"The Store of Service"

BAIRD

TEXAS

### Cisco Laundry

First-class, laundry work of all kind. Work called for on Tuesday, delivered Friday

Mrs. Emma Ashton, Agt.

### SPIRELLA CORSETS

I have my new spring samples and will be glad to show you same and take your measure for a Spirella the best made-to-measure corset to be had. Phone me and I will gladly call to take your order

Mrs. J. R. Price, Phone 6.

### Whooping Cough.

Give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to keep the cough loose and expectoration easy. It is excellent. For sale by all druggist. 18-4t-adv

**FOR SALE**—Brand new Chevrolet car, 1918 Model. Just rolled out. Price \$725.00. Terms if satisfactory. C. S. Boyles, Cross Plains, Texas. 18-4t adv

### RED DWARF MAIZE

For seed, clear of Johnson grass, well matured, never heated. Price 5cts per lbs in 100 lb lots or more at barn; 6 cts per lb in 100 lb lots or more f. o. b. Clyde. Shoemaker Red Top Cane seed 10 cts per lb at barn. M. L. Hayes, 3 miles N. W. Clyde on Rt 1. 18-4p

### For Bilious Troubles.

To promote a healthy action of the liver and correct the disorders caused by biliousness, Chamberlain's Tablets are excellent. Try them and see how quickly they give you a relish for your food and banish that dull and stupid feeling. For sale by all druggist. 18-4t-adv.

On April 8th some one removed the casing, inner tube and the rim from one of the wheels of G. M. Hall's auto while it was in the garage and also took an extra casing. The theft was evidently committed by someone who knew where the key to the garage was kept as the lock was not broken.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Brotherton, their daughter, Miss Ruth, and son, John, of Walnut Springs, Bosque county, spent several days in Baird the past week guests of C. L. Gunn and family. Mr. and Mrs. Brotherton lived in Baird for many years and moved from here to Walnut Springs 16 years ago. Clint is just like he always was, he does not seem to have changed a bit. By the by Clint is the wildest Ferguson man we have met, he declares Ferguson will get five votes to Hobby's one in Bosque county. "We know Jim Ferguson and know that there is not a straighter man in Texas." That is the way Clint puts it.

## One Thing Will Win the War--- SACRIFICE!

Sacrifice of money, comfort, luxury, loved ones, life itself.

Germany has learned this lesson and is practicing it daily, hourly.

Unless we learn it, no power can stay a German victory with all its horrible possibilities.

### Buy Bonds, Then More Bonds

## The Home National Bank

OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS:

C. C. Seale, Pres. H. Ross, V. P.  
T. E. Powell, Cashier. F. L. Driskill, Asst. Cashier  
E. L. Finley M. Barnhill C. O. Seale

## PERSONALS

R. A. Eider, editor of THE STAR, was a guest of the editor of THE STAR.

J. L. Forrest is visiting his mother and other relatives in Taylor.

Capt. and Mrs. J. W. Jones were in town, yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Smith were in from the ranch, Wednesday.

H. A. McWhorter is up from the ranch, Tuesday.

Miss Gussie Lee Palmer is visiting her son, Mr. D. P. at Rising Star, this week.

N. P. Sikes called this week and renewed his subscription to THE STAR for the year.

Ben Halsted, who is stationed at Camp Bowie, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mr. Ben Halsted.

Miss Cora Conlee of Atwell, is the guest of her cousin, Miss Rex Gilliland this week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Walker returned Sunday from a trip to San Antonio, Austin, Whitesboro and other points.

Mrs. B. L. Boydston and daughter, Miss Kathryn, visited in Albany and Moran the first of the week.

The oil leasing business in Callahan is still flourishing. We learn that a well will be started at Putnam shortly.

J. J. Clark was a pleasant caller at THE STAR office Wednesday. He has recently returned from Sweetwater to Putnam, his old home.

J. W. Baulch, who lives out on Rt. 2, Clyde, called at this office Wednesday and ordered THE STAR sent to his address.

Mrs. John Walker and daughter, Miss Sophia, of Admiral spent Tuesday with F. L. Walker and family.

Miss Evalyne Johnson, of Dallas, spent a few days in Baird this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Johnson.

Rev. W. Y. Switzer, T. E. Powell and S. E. Webb returned Wednesday from Anson, where they attended the District Conference of the M. E. Church, South.

Mrs. M. J. Williams, who has been the guest of Mrs. Wm. McManis for the past few months, has returned to her home at Fairfield, Iowa.

Floyd Phillips, who is in the Navy and stationed at Great Lakes, Ill., recently spent a ten days furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Phillips of Rowden.

Claud Poe, of Headquarters Company, 144th Infantry, Camp Bowie, has been promoted to the rank of Corporal. We are glad to learn that so many of the Callahan County boys are making good at the different camps.

Miss Evalyn Blakley returned Sunday night from a month's visit to Big Springs. Miss Josephine, who is attending school there, came home with her and returned to Big Springs, Tuesday morning.

Ode and Grover Berry and Chris Blakley left Sunday night for Camp Travis to enlist in the army. The boys are in class 1, but their numbers are toward the last and the boys got impatient waiting and will enlist. The boys are all typical cow boys and Grover composed the following lines and with Ode and Chris sang them for a number of their friends, who were at the train to see them off:

I washed my hands this morning  
So very clean and white,  
I've loaned them to Wilson  
To work for him 'till night.  
Oh little feet be careful  
Where you take me to,  
But anything for Wilson  
I surely want to do,  
Who will wear my old black hat  
Who will wear my old black hat  
Who will wear my old black hat  
While I am gone to France  
Who will wear my yellow breeches  
Who will wear my yellow breeches  
Who will wear my yellow breeches  
While I am gone to France.  
Who will wear my high heel boots  
Who will wear my high heel boots  
Who will wear my high heel boots  
While I am gone to France  
Later—The boys returned from San Antonio. We did not learn why they did not enlist, but understand they will go back later.

## Our Spring Goods

Spring Goods are arriving every day and we invite you to call and see our line before you buy. We have a nice line of ladies trimmed hats for spring wear

## THE COMADOT

W. D. BOYDSTUN

MANAGER

## Spring Wearing Apparel

We are showing the newest things for men and boys that you should see before buying your Spring duds. You will be pleased to be dressed up in one of our celebrated Styleplus Suits for the coming season.

Hats, we have the latest makes and the best line to be found, both in straws and felts. They are simply beauties and are made by the best hat makers in America. We earnestly solicit a visit from you to our store as we fit the hard to fit.

## H. SCHWARTZ & CO.

MEN AND BOY'S FURNISHINGS

## Feed! Feed! Feed!

I have opened a feed store in the Boyles building, and am prepared to sell you Corn, Oats, Hay, Peanut Meal, Bran, Molasses Mixed Feed, etc.

F. E. ALVORD

BAIRD, TEXAS

## HOME LUMBER CO.

ALL HOME PEOPLE

We carry a full stock of Lumber, Shingles and Builder's Supplies. See us before you buy anything in this line

W. M. COFFMAN, Manager

## FURNITURE

I have a splendid stock of Furniture, Rugs, Art Squares, Matting, Window Shades, Mattresses, Pillows Repairing and Picture Framing. Firstclass work.

GEO. B. SCOTT





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Do You Want to Know the CATTLE BUSINESS? Drop us a post card today and get FREE INFORMATION about the New Book, "CATTLE BREEDS AND ORIGIN" about all breeds of cattle on earth.

Watermelon Seed

PURE HALBERT HONEY One oz. 10c.; 1/2 lb. 60c.; 1 lb. \$1.00; 5 lbs. \$4.50; 10 lbs. \$8.00. Rubber rinds for shipping or rough roads, same price.

N. A. HALBERT, Originator, Coleman, Texas

Baby in his high chair is the real autocrat of the breakfast table.

Add Stomach, Heartburn and Nausea quickly disappear with the use of Wright's Indian Vegetable Pills. Send for trial box to 872 Pearl St., New York. Adv.

Marriages, which should make one out of two, often result in sixes and sevens.

Happy is the home where Red Cross Ball Blue is used. Sure to please. All grocers. Adv.

Naturally.

"Do you remember the time when there was such a rage for red hair?" "Oh, red hair is dyed out."

To keep clean and healthy take Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. They regulate liver, bowels and stomach.—Adv.

The Last to Use Them.

"Started your garden yet?" "No. You see I have to wait until the neighbors get through using my garden tools."

Itching Burning Skins.

For eczemas, rashes, itchings, irritations, pimples, dandruff, sore hands, and baby humors, Cuticura Soap and Ointment are supremely effective. For free samples address "Cuticura, Dept. X, Boston." At druggists and by mail, Soap 25, Ointment 25 and 50.—Adv.

Method in It.

Friend—Why do you make that patient wait two hours every day in the anteroom?

Doctor—He needs rest and that is the only way I can compel him to take it.—Boston Evening Transcript.

Fowl Play.

Sambo—Do you know that your chickens come over into my garden?

George—I thought they must be doing that.

Sambo—Why did you think so?

George—Because they never come back.—Boy's Life.

Drastic Control of Flax.

The British flax control board ordered that no flax, flax line, or flax tow may without permit be spread, carded or otherwise put into manufacture after January 12. No yarns composed wholly or partly of flax or tow may without permit be wound or warped after January 12. No yarn or flax or tow may without permit be boiled, bleached or put into any other process of treatment after January 5. All existing licenses to spin are canceled and from above dates applications for further permits will be received.

Ingenuous Argument.

Billy had always wanted a dog, but as an excuse his mother told him she could not afford to feed one on account of the war. But afterward he found a stray dog so little he could carry it in his arms without any effort.

His mother met him at the door as he was bringing it home and exclaimed: "Now, Billy, I told you all about why I couldn't keep a dog. Take it back where you found it right away."

"But ma," the little fellow argued, "he's so small he can live on the crumbs I drop on the tablecloth."

Reserve is wisdom.



A Package of Grape-Nuts teaches food conservation. Saves FUEL SUGAR TIME WHEAT AND WASTE

SOLD BY GROCERS.

LESSON TAUGHT BY YEAR OF THE WAR

Fruits Brought Home to Americans by Great Fight for Democracy.

ALL CAN SHARE IN BATTLE

Send Your Dollars to Government—Rout Our Enemy Within Our Gates—Your Patriotism on Trial.

By GELETT BURGESS OF THE Vigilantes.

What have you learned from this first year of the war?

Have you learned that no peace is possible but one founded upon the triumph of democracy?

Germany's faithlessness to her treaty agreements in Belgium has had its sequel in her deceit in Russia. German's frightfulness is the deliberate policy of autocracy in its design to enslave the world. All pretenses of liberal reforms have been drowned in the rising lust for world-conquest.

Intoxicated by self love and ruthless ambition the kaiser and his war lords seek to bring all civilizations under the reign of brute force. Nation after nation has fallen their prey. If we are to survive, that malign doctrine of might-makes-right must be destroyed forever.

Have you learned that you, too, can fight in the battle for freedom?

Lend your money to the Liberty Loans; give it to the Red Cross. Every dollar lent the government helps equip a soldier; every dollar to the Red Cross succors him in his time of need. If you are a patriot you can no more keep out of these "drives" than, if a soldier, you could refuse to go over the top into No Man's Land.

Dollars Are Soldiers.

Dollars are soldiers, too! Your dollars will fight to end the war. Each private may think his own worth small—but all together they make an army. Your dollar seems small, but if each does his share the war will have sufficient backing.

For your boy's sake, if he is "over there," subscribe! You would not refuse to help a pal? Well, you have a million pals! Help them!

Have you learned that the enemy is here—with us, too?

The soldiers' blood, in the trenches, is not only drained by flying shells—it is sucked by rats and lice. Here at home we have a human vermin preying upon us. Just as evil and insidious as the trench pests are the pro-German spies and propagandists and the pacifists who seek to impede or discountenance the war. Watch them, watch for them, seek them out.

Let no seditious word or act go unreported. Let the alien enemy subject declare plainly where he stands, whether he is for us or against us. If German born, urge him to join the League for Americans of German Origin and thus manifest at once his irradicable love for the fatherland and his devotion to his adopted country. Those who are not for us are against us!

Have you learned that your patriotism is being tried by your faith and your works?

Be not cast down by defeat. Spread no rumors of calamity. When the dark days come, encourage the timid and fearful, reprove the alarmist and back-

LEADS BRASS BAND



A woman's military band which can be used to replace some of the numerous military bands which have gone to the front, is being organized in New York. The band will play at recruiting rallies and for other patriotic objects. Miss Annabelle Boyer, the young lady shown in the photograph, has been selected as drum major of the new organization. She is already very proficient in the twirling of the baton.

sliders. Aroused now to the solemnity of our task, the duty will be performed to the end—victory! Yet only when every one does his full share shall that victory come.

War is Grim Work.

Urge haste, urge thoroughness, urge unremitting effort. Take the war seriously, for war is grim work, and we have an enemy who thinks of nothing but efficiency. Our soldiers are not only to be amused, but armed and taught to fight. Insist that this comes first.

More guns, more ships, more airplanes! Is your congressman or senator lagging? Punch him up. Act every day as if your life and your wife were in danger. They are! Speed up the war!

Have you learned that waste is treason?

Upon us our allies depend not only for men and munitions but for food and clothing. If our permanent liberality is to be won, they must for a while defend it for us, till we, too, can fight. Shall we waste, then, while they wait? While they are to be fed and clad, waste is treason. Save wheat, save meat, save wool! The war needs everyone's strictest economy.

The good ship Democracy is sorely beset by the storm. Shall the passengers revel while the crew starve? Divide! Divide, and save the ship lest all be lost!

THE LITTLE LAD

By Agnes Lee of the Vigilantes To me it's always the little lad Afraid to speak his name. But he was one of the first to go. When his heart received the flame.

He used to steal from the shadowy room.

And over the lighted stair. If dismal tales were being told. But he won the Croix de Guerre.

He clutched my hand when the thunder broke.

He paled at the lightning's glance. But he met the Teutons face to face. And fell with the sons of France.

WAS HE ENEMY ALIEN? NO, NEEDED A SHAVE

Portland, Ore.—Hans Beltek escaped being interned as an enemy alien by a close shave. When he came out of a logging camp federal officers picked him up, chiefly because of his Bolshevik-like whiskers. In the county jail he borrowed a razor and when he got through he was revealed as an eighteen-year old youth.

Seeks Job as Shipbuilder.

St. Louis, Mo.—Mrs. Minnette Slayback of this city, an expert with carpenter's tools who can build almost anything from toys to ships, has volunteered her services to Uncle Sam as a shipbuilder.

THEIR WAR AIMS WELL DEFINED



The chauffeurs of this American truck company leave no doubt as to their war aims. All their trucks have been similarly decorated with these attractive and threatening designs.

SINKS SUBMARINE UNDER HEAVY FIRE

Seaplane Persists in Attack While Shelled by Six German Ships.

THREE OTHERS DESTROYED

British Airmen Calmly Drop Bombs as Enemy Shells Burst—Depth Bombs Prove Effective When Aviators Sight U-Boats.

London.—Under a heavy attack from three German submarines and three German destroyers, a British seaplane recently persisted in her efforts against another enemy U-boat and succeeded in sinking it before being damaged by the fire of the other enemy warships.

The seaplane was on patrol duty at 8:30 o'clock in the morning when a submarine was sighted on the surface with a man standing forward by the gun. Increasing her speed, the seaplane dropped to an altitude of 600 feet and released a bomb.

As she swooped around to repeat the attack a shell from the U-boat burst in the air 50 feet from the propeller. It was seen that the bomb had made a direct hit, a big rent being visible in the deck of the submarine. Just then out of the mist ahead three more enemy submarines, followed close by three destroyers, appeared.

Attacked by Six Vessels.

All six vessels maintained a hot fire against the seaplane. However, a second bomb dropped on the disabled U-boat. It exploded 15 feet ahead of the bow of the submarine. The whole craft shook and then sank quickly in a pool of oil, bubbles and wreckage. The seaplane, having no more bombs, and as the destroyers were coming near, returned to its base.

Seaplanes also have accounted for three other submarines. In one case two large seaplanes attacked a submarine on the surface, with two Germans standing on the conning tower. One plane dropped a bomb to the starboard of the U-boat while the other placed one squarely in front of the conning

tower. The explosion of the second bomb was followed by several explosions within the submarine, which disappeared.

Sank Two Others.

Diving from a height of 4,000 feet to 1,200 feet, another seaplane dropped a depth charge on the spot where a submarine had disappeared. When the water subsided, the shape of the submarine could still be seen below the surface and a second bomb was dropped, "after which the ship disappeared."

An enemy submarine with two periscopes and about 200 feet in length was sighted by a seaplane on patrol duty. The seaplane descended 3,900 feet to a height of 80 feet and dropped two bombs as the German submerged. One of the bombs made a direct hit just behind the conning tower. The submarine turned upside down and sank. Oil and wreckage later came to the surface.

FORTUNE WAITS FOR BURNS

Heir of Civil War Volunteer Who Never Returned Can Claim Windfall.

New York.—Boy! Page Mr. Burns! Paging the Mr. Burnses of the country is precisely the task confronting I. M. Sacklin of No. 5 Beekman street, who is in charge of a large sum of money seeking an owner—first name and present whereabouts unknown.

Here is how it happened:

When Lincoln called for volunteers in '60 David Burns, then living at No. 135 East Twenty-First street, this city, stopped his work and marched off to battle. He was in such haste to respond that he notified no relative and made no disposition of a tidy bank account.

David Burns never came back. His unclaimed earnings lay to the bank, swelling by the increment of interest until now they represent a large fortune even in these days. The windfall is awaiting the claim of the right Mr. Burns.

Rolling Canteens.

Washington, D. C.—The Red Cross has added a new and picturesque branch to its many activities in Italy by sending two "rolling canteens" to the front.

The object of these canteens, which are really kitchens on wheels, is to furnish hot food to soldiers in front line trenches.

IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

(By REV. P. R. FITZWATER, D. D., Teacher of English Bible in the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago.) (Copyright, 1918, Western Newspaper Union.)

LESSON FOR APRIL 28

JESUS REBUKES SELFISHNESS.

LESSON TEXT—Mark 9:30-32. GOLDEN TEXT—If any man desire to be first, the same shall be last of all, and servant of all.—Mark 9:35.

DEVOTIONAL READING—I Corinthians 13.

ADDITIONAL MATERIAL FOR TEACHERS—Matthew 9:35-38; Luke 9:34-35.

PRIMARY AND JUNIOR LESSON MATERIAL—Mark 9:30-37.

PRIMARY MEMORY VERSE—Be kind one to another.—Ephesians 4:2.

JUNIOR MEMORY VERSE—I John 4:8.

1. The Stupidity of Selfishness. (vv. 30-32). Jesus with his disciples is on his way to Capernaum for the last time, where he is to die on the cruel cross for the world's sins. He still seeks the way of retirement in order to be alone with his disciples, his object being to lead them into the apprehension of the meaning of the cross. The teaching which was interrupted at Caesarea by Peter's rebuke is now resumed, and with definiteness he declares the future event as already present.

1. "The Son of Man is delivered into the hands of men."

2. "They shall kill him."

3. "He shall rise the third day."

While pressing upon them continuously the fact and necessity of the cross, he never failed to show them the bright side—his triumphant victory over death in the resurrection. The hearts of the disciples were so steeped in selfishness that they failed to understand his teachings. If the disciples had more definitely attended to his teaching concerning the cross, they would have been better prepared for the hour of temptation which was so soon to overtake them.

II. The Wrangling of Selfishness. (vv. 33-37).

1. The searching question (v. 33).

The omniscient Christ knew the secrets of their hearts. The fact that the disciples were wrangling about official position while the Lord was facing humiliation and death for them and the whole world, shows how completely the Lord was alone in his sorrow.

2. The silent disciples (v. 34).

They were ashamed in his presence, because the selfishness of their hearts was revealed. To realize the presence of the Lord would shame us of much of our selfishness.

3. The stinging rebuke (vv. 35-37).

"If any man desire to be first, the same shall be last of all, and servant of all." The greatest among men are those who are willing to take the lowest place and serve others. This truth he enforced in a concrete way by placing a child in their midst. This child was an illustration of dependence and ignorance. By example and word he shows that true greatness is expressed by willingness to aid the weak, to instruct the ignorant and to serve those in need. All such render service not merely to those in need, but unto Christ and God. True greatness, therefore, consists not in self-seeking, but rendering cheerful service to the needy in the name of Christ.

III. The intolerance of Selfishness (vv. 38-41).

1. John's guilty conscience (v. 38).

In the light of the teaching of Jesus, John was a little disturbed over having "forbid" a worker for Christ who did not follow after him. Doubtless this intolerance was in part due to jealousy for Christ, but also a selfish ambition. Many times Christians mistake bigotry for zeal for Christ.

2. Whom to tolerate (vv. 39-41).

(1) Those who are casting out devils (v. 39). We should really satisfy ourselves that supernatural works are being done. Are demons being cast out? However, this is not final, as there is a supernatural work not of God.

(2) Those who are not doing this work in Christ's name (v. 41). Any worker going forth in the name of Christ, and for the glory of Christ, should be given Godspeed. If he is doing a good work, even though not in your way, or if not a member of your church or school, "forbid him not."

IV. The Awful Issue of Selfishness. (vv. 42-50).

Selfishness results in ruin to others (v. 42), and also to the individual (vv. 43, 45 and 47). In either case the issue is eternal torment in hell. Selfishness is opposed to God, and that which is opposed to God must be eternally separated from him. Self-renunciation should be so complete that we should be willing to abandon the most necessary and lawful things in life—hands, feet and eyes—when they become occasions for stumbling either to ourselves or to others.

Need of Influence.

"Every one of us needs influence and some impulse outside of ourselves to compel us to strive for our ideals. The best impulse that can uplift the life is the friendship of Jesus. He says: 'Ye are as friends if ye do whatsoever I command you.'"

God's Presence.

Did it ever occur to you that the signs of God's presence are granted to the farmer more than any other man? Look around your home and fields and see.

Grip Still Hanging On?

Back aches? Stomach sensitive? A little cough? No strength? Tire easily? All after effects of this dread malady. Yes, they are catarrhal. Grip is a catarrhal disease. You can never be well as long as catarrh remains in your system, weakening your whole body with stagnant blood and unhealthy secretions.

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"Tommy, you must ask the Lord to forgive you for everything you did to-day, including the fight you had with Bobby Smithers."

"But, ma, what wasn't wrong. He said his father could whip my father an' I beat him till he said my father could whip his father."

"That was very wicked."

"Maybe it was, but I'm goin' to wait 'till dad comes home an' ask him about it."

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A Texas Case

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Texas News

This appears to be the banner season for crops in Texas.

A bank has been organized to do business at Plantersville.

A scarcity of farm labor is reported from many parts of Texas.

A loyalty club has been organized at Beeville to aid in all war activities.

Automobile lines competing with railroads in Texas must pay a war tax.

The Texas State Bankers' Convention will be held at Galveston, May 14, 15 and 16.

In many counties of the State crops are said to look more promising than in many years.

T. J. Britton, a druggist, has been appointed police and fire commissioner for the city of Dallas.

The cattle tick eradication election held in Chambers county resulted in the measure being defeated.

The fourteenth annual convention of the Southwestern Electrical and Gas Association was held at Galveston last week.

Moisture has been well distributed this season to date and indications are promising for bountiful crop production.

The farmers of the non-cotton zone of Texas are making the best of the situation by planting corn, potatoes, peanuts, peas and velvet beans.

In the months of January, February and March there were shipped from El Campo a total of four carloads of eggs, the value of which amounted to \$21,356.

The Elberta peach crop of Cherokee county promises this year to be the best since 1910, according to local growers. Last year the crop was poor.

Most of the \$5,000,000 to be loaned in banks of Texas and New Mexico's drought stricken areas will be in the hands of the banks in the near future.

Governor Hobby has appointed Fritz R. Smith of Scurry to be a member of the board of pardon advisers to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of W. P. Sebastian.

Both wild and cultivated blackberries are gathered at Rusk and large quantities are available for canning. In the immediate vicinity of Rusk there are several canning outfits.

The attorney general has approved \$4,000 refunding bonds of the city of Galveston of 1917, series C, being serials, bearing 5 per cent. A total of \$371,000 has been refunded out of \$414,000.

Members of the Washington County Rabbit Raisers' Association report splendid success in their undertaking of raising Belgian hares for commercial purposes. The animals bring fancy prices.

All saloons, twenty in all, within ten miles of the aviation landing station at Seguin, have been closed. The closing included thirteen at Seguin, four at Marion, two at Geronimo and one at Guadalupe.

In the lower Rio Grande Valley of Texas Rhodes grass produces the largest tonnage of any hay crop grown. Hidalgo, Kleberg and Willacy counties are gradually extending the planting of Rhodes grass.

Mineral Wells, Texas, was selected as the 1919 meeting place of the United States Good Roads Association and the Bankhead Highway Association at the concluding session of the 1918 meeting at Little Rock, Ark., Saturday.

William Jennings Bryan, former secretary of state, will deliver an address to the Thirty-third Division at Camp Logan, Houston, Texas, May 5. Mr. Bryan's subject will be "Why We Should Whip the Kaiser Before We Can Be Safe."

An election will be held at Ballinger on May 11 to vote on a \$75,000 road bond issue.

The secretaries and treasurers of the 350 farm loan associations in Texas have begun a campaign among the members of the association to sell liberty bonds. It is asked that every association buy at least \$1,000 worth of bonds, and if they do this, the farmers who are the patrons of the federal land banks in Texas will absorb \$350,000 worth.

PLAY GAME FAIR WITH UNCLE SAM

Show Patriotism by Investing in a Third Liberty Bond or Two.

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By IRVIN S. COBB.

Speaking of patriotism and our duty to our country—and those are the things of which most of us are speaking these days—why not buy a Third Liberty bond or two?

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And, likewise, it is a bond—a bond of faith, a bond of honor, a bond of reliability, a bond of security, backed up by the government of the United States of America, its assets, its good name, its credits, its power, and its possessions of whatsoever nature.

Flag is Worth Defending.

This generation is just now engaging upon the tasks of preserving and perpetuating what our forefathers earned for us. If the heritage they handed down to us was worth taking, it is worth keeping; if the flag they fought under is worth living under, it is worth defending; if the government they established is a government that should endure, if its securities are staple and stable, it is our duty to invest in these securities, to prove the value of our own citizenship to ourselves by the confidence and the trust we show in our own institutions. The Liberty bond issue gives us that chance without entailing the slightest risk upon our part.

When we buy Liberty bonds we are helping our country, helping as righteous a cause as ever set on nation to battle, and at the same time we are safeguarding our savings and earning a decent rate of interest on our money. We can't lose; we are bound to win. Thieves may break in and mobs may corrupt, but a Liberty bond is as solid as Plymouth rock and as honest as the Declaration of Independence. If it goes down, our government goes down with it, and then your money wouldn't do you any good anyway. If you had kept it stored up it would be confiscated by a gentleman in a spiked helmet with spiked mustaches and a spiked way of saying "Verboten" to practically everything you wanted to do.

Backing is the Best.

As long as the Stars and Stripes float the Liberty bond will be aloft too. The Liberty bond is guaranteed by every inch of our soil, by every shred of our traditions, its promise to pay is predicated on every ship that flies our flag, on every pennyweight of railroad iron in our land, on every peppercorn in our granaries, on every dollar of our circulation, on every rod of navigable river, on every furlong of highway, on every gill of water in every American harbor, on every pebble in the Rocky mountains, on every blade of growing grain, on everything that we, as a people, own and ever have owned and ever shall own. And, while we are on the subject, I might add that it is predicated on something more besides. It is predicated on Bunker Hill; on Independence Hall; on the little apple tree at Appomattox; on the cornerstone of a building at Washington, D. C., called the national capitol. A man who wouldn't be satisfied with that collateral wouldn't risk a pewter dime for the hope of eternal salvation.

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Don't sell Uncle Sam short. Don't be a bear on the Old Glory market. Don't make your own country ashamed of you.

Buy a Liberty bond!

Home Defense League.

"My wife is the limit," groaned the American businessman, who was dining with a French visitor to this country. "Since the war began it's just one meeting after another—night and day. Tell me, does your wife go in much for club work?"

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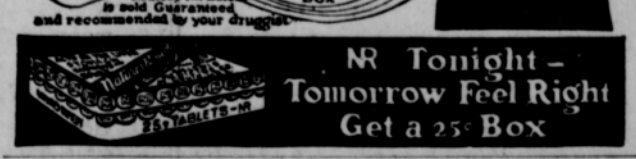
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At the cost of a small jar of ordinary cold cream one can prepare a full quarter pint of the most wonderful lemon skin softener and complexion beautifier, by squeezing the juice of two fresh lemons into a bottle containing three ounces of orchard white. Care should be taken to strain the juice through a fine cloth so no lemon pulp gets in, then this lotion will keep fresh for months. Every woman knows that lemon juice is used to bleach and remove such blemishes as sallowness, freckles and tan and is the ideal skin softener, smoothener and beautifier. Just try it! Get three ounces of orchard white at any pharmacy and two lemons from the grocer and make up a quarter pint of this sweetly fragrant lemon lotion and massage it daily into the face, neck, arms and hands. It naturally should help to soften, freshen, bleach and bring out the roses and beauty of any skin. It is wonderful to smoothen rough, red hands. Adv.

Changed. "He used to be a pacifist." "Now?" "Now he admits that the Huns have made it indecent for a man not to fight."

Anyway, half of the world knows that the other half is looking for the best of it.

Needed a Bedmark.

It was a Kansas soldier boy who wrote home to his mother that he had so many blankets on his bed that he had to use a book mark to see where to get in.—Capper's Weekly.

Important to Mothers

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, that famous old remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of *W. D. Hoagland* in Use for Over 30 Years. Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria

Nothing to Go By. "She's quite refined, Jack, really! You can never judge a girl by her clothes." "You don't get much of a chance to, by Jove!"—Cassell's Saturday Journal.

HEADACHES

This distressing ailment should be relieved at once and save strain on Nervous System. CAPUDINE gives quick relief. It's a liquid—Pleasant to take.—Adv.

Making Good.

"The hen is a poet." "How do you make that out?" "Doesn't she annually put forth an Easter lay?"

\$100 Reward, \$100

Catarrh is a local disease greatly influenced by constitutional conditions. It therefore requires constitutional treatment. HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE is taken internally and acts through the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System. HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE destroys the foundation of the disease, gives the patient strength by improving the general health and assists nature in doing its work. \$100.00 for any case of Catarrh that HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE fails to cure. Druggists Rec. Testimonials free. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio.

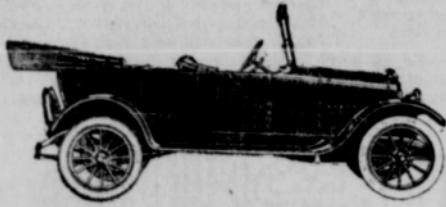
Speaking of real estate in cities, a front foot is often worth more than a back yard.

Many a man looks upon marriage as sort of a blotter with which he expects to blot out all his past.

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If you believe them all, they all make super-cars.

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We never claim anything we cannot prove.

As a matter of fact we never have claimed anything for this Maxwell that has not already been proved in public test and under official observation.

Maxwell claims are not therefore claims in the ordinary sense—they are statements of fact—proven facts.

They are, in every case, matters of official record attested under oath.

For example: The famous 22,000-mile Non-Stop run was made with the Maxwell every minute under observation of the A. A. A. officials.

That still remains a world's record—the world's record of reliability.

That particular test proved about all that anyone could ask or desire of a motor car.

Among other things it still stands the world's long distance speed record.

Just consider—44 days and nights without a stop, at an average speed of 25 miles per hour!

And that, not by a \$2,000 car, but by a stock model Maxwell listing at \$825.

You will recall perhaps that a famous high powered, high priced six in a trans-continental trip made 28 miles average over a period of five days and eleven hours.

Now compare those two feats—one of less than six days, the other of 44 days. You know automobiles—which was the greater test?

Is there any comparison on grounds either of speed or endurance?

Proves you don't need to pay more than \$825 to obtain all the qualities you can desire in a motor car—if you select a Maxwell.

For that Maxwell Non-Stop run was made, not on a track but over rough country roads and through city traffic—average of all kinds of going.

And—listen to this.

So certain were we of the condition of the Maxwell at the end of that great feat, we announced that at the stroke of eleven on a certain morning, the car would stop in front of the City Hall, Los Angeles, for the Mayor to break the seal.

Five seconds after he had pulled the switch plug and stopped the motor after the 44 days and nights continuous running, she was started again and off on a thousand mile jaunt to visit various Maxwell dealers.

How is that for precision—certainty of action? That incident brought a storm of applause from the assembled thousands.

Hill climbing?—this Maxwell holds practically every record worth mentioning—especially in the West where the real hills are.

The Mount Wilson record—nine and one-half miles, 6,000 feet elevation!—was taken by a stock Maxwell.

Two months ago a 12-cylinder car beat that record by two minutes.

Then—three days later—a stock Maxwell went out and beat that 12-cylinder record by thirty seconds! Pretty close going for such a distance and such a climb—wasn't it?

So Maxwell still holds the Mount Wilson honors.

Ready to defend it against all comers too, at any time—a stock Maxwell against any stock or special chassis.

Economy—also a matter of official record.

Others may claim—Maxwell proves.

Thousands of Maxwell owners throughout the United States on the same day averaged 29.4 miles per gallon of gasoline.

Not dealers or factory experts, mind you, but owners—thousands of them—driving their own Maxwells.

Nor were they new Maxwells—the contest was made by 1915, 16, and 17 models, many of which had seen tens of thousands miles of service—three years' use.

Nor could they choose their own road or weather conditions—all kinds were encountered in the various sections of the country.

Good roads and bad—level country and mountainous regions—heat and cold—sunshine and rain—asphalt and mud.

And the average was 29.4 miles per gallon!

There's economy for you. And under actual average driving conditions—not laboratory test.

But that isn't all.

The greatest achievement of this Maxwell was in its showing of speed and reliability and economy all in the same run.

In that 44 days-and-nights Non-Stop run, though no thought was given to either speed or economy, it still remains a fact of official record that the Maxwell averaged 22 miles per gallon and 25 miles per hour.

Now you know that speed costs—and that economy tests are usually made at slow-speed—closed-throttle, thin-mixture conditions.

You know too that you can obtain economy of fuel by building and adjusting for that one condition.

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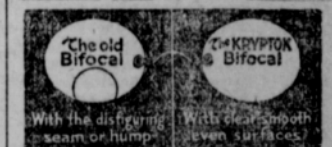
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