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IN HAND TO HAND FIGHTING, BITTEREST OF WHOLE WAR, AMERICANS TAKE FISMES; GERMANS FORCED ACROSS AISNE; OFFER STERN RESISTANCE

PROCEEDINGS CONVENTION

SUB SINKS TWO VESSELS

CASUALTY LIST IS GROWING

MAN POWER BILL IS UP

Proceedings of the Democratic Convention of Nolan county held at Sweetwater, Texas, August 3, A. D., 1918.

Convention met in the County Court room at 3 p. m. and organized by electing H. C. Hord, Chairman, B. E. Worthy, Secretary; E. Q. Daniel, asst. Secretary; whom were later made permanent officers.

The committee on credentials was dispensed with. Delegates representing the various precincts present were as follows: Sweetwater No. 1, H. C. Hord, Thos. Hughes, Jas. L. Spiller; Bitter Creek No. 2, J. D. Childress; Graham No. 3, T. W. Neill; Dora No. 4, W. A. Elliott; Nolan No. 5, A. D. Bruce; Decker No. 7, J. H. Mauzey; Roscoe No. 9, E. McClain, W. P. Copeland, L. M. Goforth, B. E. Worthy, T. A. Wade; Section House No. 10, L. D. Faver, Sr.; Blackwell No. 11, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Frost; Wastella No. 16, H. N. Turner; Sweetwater No. 17, G. H. Sheppard, P. J. Rogers, J. E. Wood; Sweetwater No. 18, J. A. Daniel, John Graham, W. L. Boothe.

The following committees were appointed:

Committee on Resolutions: Jas. L. Spiller, G. H. Sheppard, E. McClain, A. D. Bruce and T. W. Neill.

Committee on Nominating delegates to the various conventions: J. D. Childress, L. D. Faver and W. L. Boothe.

The report of the Executive Committee of Nolan County on the result of the primary election was read and approved. Detailed statement of the vote cast for the various candidates having been published, it was by consent omitted from the record.

The committee on resolution made the following report, found below which report was adopted.

The committee on nomination of delegates made the following report:

To the state convention: H. C. Hord, J. L. Spiller, Geo. T. Wilson, Geo. Sheppard and W. P. Copeland.

To the Second Supreme Judicial Convention: J. H. Beall, Ed. J. Hamner and E. L. Frost.

To the 17th District Congressional Convention: E. Q. Daniel, T. A. Wade and Tom Hughes.

To the 32nd Judicial District Convention: T. T. Duncan, T. W. Neill and W. W. Youngblood.

To the 121st Representative District Convention: J. C. Montgomery, Sr., and Geo. H. Sheppard.

On motion the said delegates were authorized, if not present, to give proxies.

The executive committee reported the election of the new executive committee as follows: (see below)

Motion was carried to the effect that but one voting box be maintained in the city of Sweetwater on the occasion of the second primary, Aug. 24, 1918, owing to the fact that there will be only a few names on the ticket.

Motion to adjourned prevailed.

Resolutions Adopted

We heartily indorse the Administration of President Wilson and the Congress of the United States in its prosecution of war, and for the many important and beneficial laws enacted in domestic matters.

We glory in the record being made on the Western front in war-ridden France, by the gallant army of the United States, and feel confident that

By Associated Press.

Washington, Aug. 5.—American tank steamer O. B. Jennings was sunk by a German submarine yesterday about 100 miles off the Virginia coast. Thirty survivors of the vessel's crew have been brought to Norfolk, the Navy Department was informed today.

The captain and one boat containing thirteen members of the crew are missing.

A Canadian Atlantic Port, Aug. 5.—Fishing schooner Nelson A., of Yarmouth, N. S., has been added to the list of vessels sunk by German submarine off the north Atlantic coast. The crew was landed here today and report that their vessel was destroyed Saturday.

BOYS ENLISTING MUST PROVE THEIR AGE

By Associated Press.

Dallas, Aug. 5.—Because of the large number of applications for release of boys who have enlisted in the army under the age of 18 years, causing much trouble to recruiting officers, boys who would enlist hereafter must prove their age.

TEXAS FARMERS ARE GROWING TEAPERY BEANS

By Associated Press.

Dallas, Aug. 5.—Texas farmers are growing a large acreage of Teapery (Texas Navy) beans this year, the Texas Industrial Congress reports.

CHILD DIED LAST SATURDAY

A death occurred in this city about 1 p. m. last Saturday which was an unusually sad one as the party was a little child and was away from home. The little one's name was Dora Griffin, just two years of age, and the death occurred at the home of her aunt, Mrs. M. E. Benion.

The mother of the little girl, Mrs. J. G. Griffin, came to Sweetwater from her home at Hamlin to nurse her sister, Mrs. Benion. While here her daughter was taken ill with croup and some other troubles which resulted in her death at the time stated.

The remains were shipped Saturday night to Gorman, where the family had formerly resided, for interment.

The entire community sympathizes with these people in this bereavement.

LITTLE BABY DIES AT DORA

Sunday night the 16-month old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Melon, living in the Dora community, died at the family residence. All that could be done to relieve the little one was resorted to but to no avail. Funeral services were announced for this afternoon at Slater's Chapel, being conducted by Rev. J. W. Watson, pastor of the Methodist church.

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By Associated Press.

Washington, Aug. 5.—Casualties reported among the American troops fighting along the Marne since July 15 are now being reported daily by General Pershing. No estimate of the total loss has yet been received. Men from forty-six states are named in the list with no state predominating, showing that the casualties have been scattered through many units. The states not listed are Arizona and Delaware.

NO ESTIMATE ON CASUALTIES

By Associated Press.

Washington, Aug. 5.—The army casualty list today is the greatest number we have yet published, being 407 names divided as follows: Killed in action, 203; died of wounds, 37; died of disease, 9; died of accident or other causes, 6; died in airplane accident, 1; wounded severely, 48; wounded degree undetermined, 100; missing, 3.

The marine corps list contains only ten names; nine of that number were killed in action, while the tenth man died from effects of wounds received while in action.

In the army list the following were killed while in action: Private John A. Heintz of Leander, Texas, Walter F. Kincaide of Sulphur Springs, Texas, and Sergeant Ollie Pike of Fruitvale, Texas.

Other names in the army list are: Private Steve G. Danyach of Westhoff, Texas, died of wounds received while in action; Private Walter Pierce of Orange, Texas, killed in action; First Lieutenant Edward T. Hathaway of Houston, Texas, killed in airplane accident.

LATER—an additional list of three hundred names, bringing the total for today to approximately seven hundred, was checked at the War Department today.

Bugler William Garrett Garland of Melissa, Texas, was severely wounded.

Private Louie T. Baker of Lockhart, Texas, was wounded, degree undetermined.

MAY FISH AT LAKE TRAMMELL

On account of the enormous number of fish and short supply of water in Lake Trammell, the public will be allowed to fish in the lake until further notified. The following rules, however, must be observed:

All fish caught must be carried away regardless of size. You will only be allowed to use minnows, worms or artificial bait on your line. No camping, either of cars or wagons, will be permitted above the dam. All respectable citizens will observe these rules, others will be prosecuted for violating either of them.

J. S. Grisham, Mayor.

ATTENDING PHOTOGRAPHERS' CONVENTION IN FORT WORTH

M. D. Willis, the picture man of this city, has taken his family on an auto trip to the city of Fort Worth where he is to attend the State Convention of Photographers where they meet on Aug. 6, 7 and 8.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Aug. 5.—The new man power bill increasing the draft age from 18 to 45 inclusive introduced in both houses today was referred to committees.

NO ESTIMATE ON CASUALTIES

By Associated Press.

Washington, Aug. 5.—Senators of military committees who asked General March, chief of staff, if he had any estimate of the American casualties in the recent fighting, were told that the government had absolutely none.

General March told the Senators and also the Washington correspondents in response to questions, substantially what Secretary Baker said in a statement last night.

That General Pershing was under difficulty of gathering the names from the many hospitals, some of whom French and British over a wide area, and that it had as yet been physically impossible to gather the list.

One of the senators asked what the extent of casualties already reported to the war department was and General March replied that it was between 12,000 and 14,000. This is the sum of allied casualties announced today by the war department. It is the total as given in the department's weekly published summary.

This statement was made the vehicle of sensational reports sent out from Washington to the effect that General Pershing had reported to General March that he estimated at 12,000 the American casualties in the recent fighting.

Senators who attended the conference, and war department officials generally denounced the published report as misleading in every way. It was reiterated officially and stated no estimate. The official transcript of General March's talk with the Washington correspondents contains this question and answer:

"Have you any estimate as to the number of casualties?"

"None whatever."

Later General March formally denied that he had given any figures or estimate to the members of the Senate military committee or any one else as to the number of casualties in the present fighting and asked newspaper correspondents to deny the sensational reports sent out from Washington today that he had placed the casualties in the Aisne-Marne battle at 12,000.

SHIP LAUNCHED PHILADELPHIA

By Associated Press.

Philadelphia, Aug. 5.—President Wilson attended the launching of the five hundred ton cargo carrying vessel Quistoneck here today. Mrs. Wilson christened the vessel.

H. A. Dolman of Hamlin was a Sunday visitor in the city.

By Associated Press:

Paris, Aug. 5.—Americans have taken Fismes. In hand to hand fighting the Americans covered themselves with glory. The fighting is said to have been the bitterest of the whole war. Prussian guards asking no quarter, were bayoneted or clubbed to death as they stood by their machine guns.

Allied pursuit of the Germans continues. Latest reports are that a few enemy troops remain on the south bank of the River Vesle. French patrols have crossed the Vesle at Bozoches and Jonchery, west and east of Fismes respectively. The Allies are meeting with stern resistance.

French Front, Aug. 5.—Last reports on this front state that the Germans have crossed the Aisne River, destroying all bridges behind them. It is believed the Allies hold the entire Vesle line even having crossed on the extreme right wing near Rheims. They hold the bridge head on the north bank of the Aisne on the other extremity of the line near Soissons.

There was a lull in the battle along the Soissons-Rheims front last night. The breathing spell extended into this morning. Germans are being favored by weather conditions which have transferred the banks of the Vesle into swamps of morasses. Germans are making stiffer resistance here than was anticipated.

Paris, Aug. 5.—French detachments which crossed the Vesle River are meeting with resistance from the Germans. It is declared there has nothing of importance been reported from the battlefield.

Long range bombardment of the Paris region was resumed this morning.

WOUNDED BOY IS IMPROVING

CARD FROM MISS NEELY

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Montgomery are in receipt of a card from their son, Wilburn A., written from a base hospital in France, in which he says that he is somewhat improved. This young man is with the marine corps and was wounded on June 14. This card was written on June 29 and his parents are hopeful that his condition is very much improved by this time. The extent of his wounds are not known here and the anxiety is thereby greater, but all are hopeful that he will be nursed back to good health without being permanently maimed.

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Any erroneous reflection appearing in this paper will be cheerfully corrected when called to the attention of the publishers.

There was only one lady delegate to the County Convention held in this city last Saturday but the weight of the female vote was felt just the same for that convention petitioned that the next legislature give to the women of Texas full suffrage. The issue is growing more popular all the time.

The Hobby forces were very much in majority in the Nolan County Convention and will be in the state convention. The present Governor has been re-elected by a large majority and we expect to see the old ship of state sail on peacefully for two years at least.

The boys in khaki are carrying Old Glory to victory on the battlefields of France. Every day good reports come from the work they are doing. The report of their achievements on Sunday was most gratifying. They have won a great battle and we are proud of them. The huns cannot stand before the American armies.

Get a new Victor or Columbia record and send to the boys in the army camp.—Quast.

NEW PASTOR NOW BUSY

Dr. Leroy M. Anderson arrived Saturday night and is now busy as pastor of the First Christian Church of Sweetwater. He preached two excellent sermons yesterday which pleased his hearers. The people of our city gladly welcome this good man, and his estimable family who will arrive later, to the best town in West Texas.

The Cincinnati Times-Star in speaking of his work at his former home says, "During the last year Dr. Anderson has been among the most active in every patriotic movement, principally in the Red Cross, Y. M. C. A., Liberty loan and War Savings stamps. Forceful and eloquent as a speaker, he was in demand at almost every patriotic meeting of importance held in Campbell and Kenton counties."

NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS REPORTED TO STATE BOARD

By Associated Press:
Austin, Aug. 5.—Of 42,473 accidents reported to the State Industrial Accident board during the ten months of the present fiscal year, 191 were fatal. During the same period 987 claims were filed and the compensation risks amounted to \$563,853.22. This sum did not include \$174,767.46 paid for medical work, and hospital fees. Including this the total paid by the companies was \$738,620.57.

LAYING PLANS FOR REVIVAL

Representatives from the congregations of the Methodist and Presbyterian churches met Sunday afternoon in the Presbyterian church for the purpose of laying plans for the revival to be held jointly between the two churches commencing on Sunday, Aug. 18. The services are to be held in the Presbyterian church building and will be conducted by the local pastors, Revs. G. S. Hardy and C. A. Engle.

At the meeting Sunday afternoon R. H. Fitzgerald was made chairman and J. G. Whitten, secretary. Various matters were discussed during the hour and the following committees were appointed to serve from the present time until the close of the meeting:

Executive committee: Messrs. W. W. Davis, C. E. Cameron, R. K. McAdams and S. Edwards were appointed on this committee to have general management of affairs, also to constitute the financial committee and to serve as ushers at the services.

Committee on music: Mesdames C. A. Engle and John Perry were put on the committee on music and given special power to obtain helpers that will be needed to make up a good choir.

Devotional Committee: Messrs. S. D. Myres, J. H. Beall, A. S. Mauzey and Geo. H. Sheppard, and Mesdames W. W. Beall and S. D. Myres were appointed on this committee.

S. W. Browning and S. D. Myres were appointed on a special committee to attend to several detail matters.

All of the committeemen present agreed to get to work in his or her respective places and further announcements will be made when they have all deliberated upon the duties before them.

J. G. Whitten, Secretary

THRIFT STAMPS FOR CHILDREN INSTEAD OF TOYS

By Associated Press:

Dallas, Aug. 5.—Santa Claus' toy shop should be closed for the duration of the war and instead of jumping jacks and dolls children should be given thrift stamps the Council of Defense here has recommended to Washington in a letter. All available labor, material and transportation facilities must be conserved for war purposes, the letter declares and toys are non-essential.

HERE FOR A FEW DAYS

A. Levy, the well-known optician, of San Antonio, Texas, is here for a few days at S. Z. William's Book store. If you need any work, call or phone 262, give name and address and I will call.

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The soldier boy likes the Parker self-filler fountain pen because its easy to fill and never leaks.—Quast.

Cash, cash for second-hand heating stoves—Guy E. Morris. 5-6t

Miss Gladys Simmons of Cleburne returned home with her cousin, Miss Iva Graves, who has been visiting her the past ten days.

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For those who do not care for serials we have Mary Miles Minter. The gold en-haired beauty in "The Ghost of Rosy Taylor," a charming little play just suited to Miss Minter's sweet and winning ways.—Sweetwater Theatre today.

W. B. Thomas is in Ranger to open up a branch office for the Sweetwater Laundry in that city. Much of the Ranger business should be sent here and the management is going after it.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Shafford of Childress are among our newest families in the city. They are living in the Moody apartment house. Mr. Shafford is doing special work at the Myres' Saddlery on the government contract of cavalry saddles.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Bartlett are the happy parents of a fine little seven pound girl who arrived Saturday afternoon. The young lady has been named La Nelle. The father has already started a thrift stamp book for her and several stamps have been placed to her credit.

S. P. Saringer and family left Saturday night for San Francisco, Calif., where they will make their home. Mr. Saringer will work in the Government shipyards. The Reporter regrets to see this excellent family leave Sweetwater, but wishes them prosperity in their new home.

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PROCEEDINGS CONVENTION

(Continued from page 1)

before another convention of the Nolan County Democracy shall be held that Old Glory will proudly wave from the Kaiser's palace in Berlin and that the peace which the victors shall dictate to the War Lords of Germany, shall guarantee to the world, lasting for generations to come. We deeply sympathize with the loved ones who are called upon to make the supreme sacrifice on the blood stained fields of Europe, all these will finally realize that their loved ones died that God, Christianity, National Freedom might rule the world; and militarism and autocracy might be banished from the earth forever.

We heartily indorse the Administration of Gov. Hobby, and of the 35th Legislature in special session, for the many beneficial laws enacted, and further request the State Convention to embody in the Democratic State platform a demand that the Thirty-sixth Legislature submit to the people of Texas an amendment to the Constitution granting to women of the State of Texas equal suffrage with men.

Jas. L. Spiller, Chairman
A. D. Bruce
E. McClain
Geo. H. Sheppard
T. W. Neill
Supplementary Report of the Executive Committee

The voters in the primary were urgently requested to elect from each precinct a member of this committee to serve for the next two years, only the following precincts have made return of the names of such persons so elected, to wit:

Sweetwater, No. 1, Jas. L. Spiller.
Bitter Creek, No. 2, J. C. Montgomery.
Graham, No. 3, T. W. Neill.
Dora, No. 4, Joe Martin.
Nolan, No. 5, W. C. Barton.
Hilton, No. 6, J. W. Kinsey.
Decker, No. 7, R. H. Ross.
Silver, No. 8, Horace Cook.
Roscoe, No. 9, A. S. Gracy.
Section House, No. 10, L. D. Faver.
Blackwell, No. 11, L. J. Youngblood.
Mulberry, No. 12, F. R. Demere.
Maryneal, 13, Geo. Eatwell.
Champion, No. 14, W. L. Adams.
Rock Crossing, No. 15, F. C. Chidress.
Wastella, No. 16, H. N. Turner.
Sweetwater, (west) No. 17, Geo. H. Sheppard.
Sweetwater, (south) No. 18, Walter L. Boothe.

We recommend that the above named persons be declared elected as members of this committee, and that this convention proceed to elect members of this committee from precincts where no election was held for that purpose, as shown by returns made.

Respectfully submitted,
H. C. Hord, Chairman.

MARRIAGE OF INTEREST

Through friends the news of Miss Lois Burge and Winfield Sampler's marriage has reached the city, which took place in Ft. Worth on the 20th. Miss Burge was visiting relatives in Ft. Worth with her mother. She is a Sweetwater girl and was reared in this city from little girlhood. She is accomplished and very popular with a large circle of friends. Mr. Sampler is not a stranger to our people being at one time pullman conductor on the T. & P. and made his run to this city, but for some time has been manager of the Fullman Co. of Ft. Worth, and many of their closest friends here were aware of their engagement.

The Reporter joins a large circle of their friends here and elsewhere in wishing them all the joys of life.

GREAT AMOUNT OF ILLITERACY IN THIS COUNTRY

By Associated Press:
Austin, Aug. 5.—Introduction of men into the military service is showing an alarming number of men who are unable to read and write, according to a statement by W. F. Doughty, superintendent of Public Instruction. "The percentage of adult illiteracy in Texas and the United States is larger than the people realize," Mr. Doughty says.



PATRIOTIC ADDRESSES

• HAVE IT MADE TO MEASURE •
• CLOTHES OF VALUE PLUS •
• STYLE AND QUALITY ARE •
• THE KIND WE RECOMMEND •
• AND THE ONLY KIND WE •
• SELL •
• SEE OUR GREAT RANGE OF •
• HIGH GRADE DEPENDABLE •
• FABRICS FOR FALL AND WIN- •
• TER. HAVE IT MADE TO MEA- •
• SURE

Yesterday made the third Sunday that speakers have gone out over the county under the auspices of the Council of Defense for Nolan County and made patriotic addresses in the various communities. The following appointments were filled:

Champion—Judge Ed. J. Hamner, Judge Ellis Douthit and Rev. G. S. Hardy filled the appointment at this place.

Ada—Judge Jas. L. Spiller, Judge A. S. Mauzey and Rev. C. W. Clark spoke for the people of that section.

Decker—Judge Geo. T. Wilson, R. M. Chitwood and W. H. Wortham visited this place.

All report good meeting and the attendance the best that could be expected with so many people having moved out of the county.

The Council of Defense desires to extend heartfelt thanks to Messrs. E. G. Yoder, W. W. Davis and Geo. H. Sheppard who, by tendering themselves and their cars to the speakers for visiting these appointments, have contributed largely to the success of the meetings.

Rally Here 18th.

All are asked to remember the patriotic rally which is to be held in this city on the afternoon of Sunday, Aug. 18. The meeting will take place at 3:30 p. m. and all citizens will be expected to attend. Do not forget the date and be present. It is a patriotic duty.

Resume in Fall.

Judge Hamner informs us that it is the intention of the Council to resume these meetings in the fall as they have been such a success and have proven of great benefit. Many people are anxious to hear the speakers when they visit the different places and to become more informed on matters pertaining to their Government.

TO THE VOTERS
OF NOLAN COUNTY

I desire to thank you each and all for the support you gave me in the recent primary election.

It especially gives me pleasure to thank the voters in the precincts where I have taught, who saw to it that my majorities reached such large proportions.

I now pledge you that it will be my effort to prove to you that your confidence was not misplaced.

Very respectfully,

MINNIE E. POWLER.

(Political Advertising)

URGES CHILDREN TO SELL WAR SAVINGS STAMPS

Austin, Aug. 1.—The need of school children continuing to sell War Savings Stamps throughout the summer months is urged by State Superintendent W. F. Doughty in a communication to school boards throughout the state. He says attention also should be given the organization of school pupils of the upper grades for work on the farms.

DEFINITION FOR THE TERM "SLACKER"

By Associated Press:

Austin, Aug. 5.—A slacker is a man within the draft age who failed to register. A delinquent is a registrant who failed to file his questionnaire or failed to report to the adjutant general when ordered to do so, and who also failed to report for entrainment when ordered to by the local board.

These are definitions for "slackers" and "delinquents" as used in the selective service, according to Major J. C. Townes in charge of the draft in Texas.

GONE ON VACATION

Engineer J. H. Wallace and daughters, Misses Beatrice and Beulah, left on Saturday night's train for a tour of California and the Pacific coast for a month. This is Mr. Wallace's first vacation in 20 years and no doubt he will enjoy the much needed rest.

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WOMEN TO FILL OFFICES

By Associated Press:

Athens, Aug. 5.—The swish of the petticoat will be heard in many of the court houses of the state during next year as well as at the state capitol.

Results from Henderson and adjoining counties show that the women more than held their own in the recent primary. In Henderson

county there was only one woman candidate, Miss Mable Stirman, who was opposed by three men for the office of county clerk. Miss Stirman defeated all three in the first race by a

large majority. In Kaufman county

Miss Lucy Barnes candidate for county clerk, defeated three opponents in the first primary. One of her opponents was a woman. Her majority was sufficient to preclude a second primary. In several other counties women candidates were elected.

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