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WICHITA SOUTHERN WILL MERGE WITH GREAT SOUTHERN

WICHITA FALLS TO BE ONE OF THREE CENTRAL OFFICES OF INSURANCE COMPANIES.

LOCAL MEN UPON BOARD

Peculiar Conditions Incident to Prosecution of War One of the Reasons for Reaching Decision.

Announcement was made here today that the Wichita Southern Life Insurance Co. of Wichita Falls and the Great Southern Life Insurance Co. of Houston will consolidate their business. The transaction will be finally closed about the middle of April it was stated at the officers of the Wichita Falls and Southern.

Three central offices will be maintained by the consolidated companies, one at Wichita Falls, another at Houston and a third at Dallas. All policy contracts will be carried out and fully protected by the combined assets of the consolidated companies, the aggregate of which will be in excess of four millions of dollars.

Combined Business. The combined business of the consolidated companies will be more than sixty millions of dollars, making it the largest and strongest institution of the kind in the South. New business, it was stated, would be written from the Wichita Falls office as heretofore, and all premiums on Wichita Southern policies will be collected at the Wichita Southern office as heretofore. The new board of directors will be men selected from the directors of the two companies, and will include several Wichita Falls citizens who have been directors of the Wichita Southern since its organization. Money collected by the Wichita Southern will be deposited here and loans will be made here as before.

Greenwood to Control. E. P. Greenwood, who has been vice president and general manager of the Wichita Southern since its organization, will be vice president and general manager of the consolidated companies. F. W. Griffin will be in charge of the Wichita Southern office and has been general manager of the company.

The peculiar conditions in the country, brought about by the war, the scarcity of help, the increased cost of doing business were factors in influencing the officers and directors of the two companies to believe that the best interests of all concerned would be best served by combining their business, thereby increasing their strength and in some measure decreasing expenses.

The Great Southern has recently purchased the Busch building in Dallas.

American Heroism Is Lauded By Flanner In British Commons

London, Mar. 13.—Sir J. Fortescue Flanner, member for the Madison division of Essex, announced this morning that he would call this afternoon the first lord of the Admiralty today in the House of Commons to the remarkable heroism and seamanship displayed by the American crew of the destroyer Parker in rescuing nine survivors, including the unconscious navigating officer of the hospital ship Glomar, Casle, sunk in the Bristol Channel late in February.

The official report of the sinking of the Glomar Castle on which it is estimated 153 persons lost their lives, announced that survivors had been landed by an American torpedo boat destroyer, the name of which was not given.

Green Book Published At Brazil Revealing Diplomatic Exchanges

Rio Janeiro, Mar. 12.—The Brazilian government today published a green book containing diplomatic correspondence in the international affairs of Brazil during 1914-1917. Among the documents are many concerning the rupture of diplomatic relations with Germany and others regarding the proclamation of state of war.

Instructions sent to the Brazilian ambassador in Buenos Aires declared that it was necessary to establish the political unity and solidarity of the American nations. North and South America, it was declared, had become the abiding place of principles and ideals constituting the heritage of the moral civilization of the old world which were threatened with extinction by Germany.

FULTON WILLARD BOUT EXPECTED ON JULY FOURTH

St. Louis, Mar. 13.—Fred Fulton, heavyweight fighter, and Mike Collins, who will leave here tonight for Kansas City, where they expect to sign for a championship bout between Jess Willard and Fulton on July fourth.

American Troops Hurl Thousands Of Shells Against German Lines

Germans Forced to Abandon Some of Positions Result Accuracy of Fire By U. S. Artillerymen

By Associated Press. With the American Army in France, Monday, March 11.—The sector occupied by American troops east of Luneville, which was designated formerly as merely being in Lorraine, has developed suddenly into one of the most active on the front from the standpoint of artillery fighting. American artillerymen are hurling thousands of shells daily against the German positions, making it virtually impossible for the enemy to occupy them. Investigation shows that they have been virtually abandoned. This is especially true in the neighborhood of certain places northwest and north of the front, where it is now permissible to say the two ridges mentioned as having been carried out simultaneously, took place.

Prevented German Raid. Certain information obtained in the American sector northwest of Toul leads to the conclusion that the American raid there this morning came at such a time as to cause the Germans to abandon plans of their own for a raid. Normal artillery fighting continues in this sector, shells falling on towns on both sides of the line. At one place the Germans used mustard shells. A small number of Americans walked through the gas later. Last night an American patrol brought in an enemy sniper's camouflage suit, made of woven brownish colored grass, the same shade as the landscape. There was the usual work by patrols in No Man's Land during the night but no encounters have been reported.

Conditions Excellent today for

GOMPERS CABLES MOSCOW CONGRESS LABOR'S SYMPATHY

Washington, Mar. 13.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, on behalf of the American Alliance for Labor and Democracy, today forwarded to the Russian soviet congress at Moscow, a message of sympathy to the Russian people in their struggle to safeguard freedom.

Mr. Gompers' message said: "We address you in the name of world liberty. We assure you that the people of the United States are pained by every blow at Russian freedom, as they would by a blow at their own. The American people desire to be of service to Russian people in their struggle to safeguard freedom and realize its opponents. We desire to be informed as to how we may help. We speak for a great organized movement of working people who are devoted to the cause of freedom and the ideals of democracy. We assure you also that the whole nation ardently desires to be helpful to Russia, and awaits with eagerness an indication from Russia as to how help may most effectively be extended. To all those who strive for freedom we say courage, justice must triumph, and the farmers' stand united against autocracy. We await your suggestions."

False Reports Given About Castor Beans To Nation's Farmers

San Antonio, Texas, Mar. 12.—The circulation of false reports among farmers by German propagandists throughout this section threaten to curtail the planting of castor beans, desired by the government in the production of a suitable lubricant for airplane motors. The San Antonio Chamber of Commerce which contracted to assemble 5,000 acres of land and deliver 200,000 bushels of castor beans at the agreed price of \$3.50 a bushel, this total includes a severe amendment increasing the house appropriations by \$3,093,000. Reimbursement to men and boys in the military service for private property loss is provided in another amendment attacked to the measure to expediate relief for men losing their effects in the sinking of the Tuscania.

JUDICIAL COMMITTEE DEADLOCK CONTINUES

Washington, Mar. 13.—Another attempt to get the Senate Judicial Committee in agreement on the Overman Bill to empower the president to consolidate and coordinate executive departments failed today and members broke up in a dead lock.

Chairman Overman announced he would attempt to force a vote Friday.

AVIATOR IS KILLED AS RESULT OF FALL WITH HIS SEAPLANE

Norfolk, Va., Mar. 13.—Falling with his seaplane from an elevation of 300 feet into the sea, aviator M. L. MacNaughton, U. S. N. R., was this morning drowned in Hampton Roads. Another aviator occupying a seat in the machine with MacNaughton, the name of whom was withheld by the government authorities, was uninjured.

PRIMARIES BILL IS PRESENTED TO REPRESENTATIVES

JOHNSON WOULD HAVE FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD CHOICES CHECKED

SUFF BILL IS FAVORED

Land Office Reports Survey of Excess Lands Has Been In Hands of Attorney General Since October

Austin, Texas, Mar. 13.—Representative Jack Johnson today introduced a preferential primary bill which provides for first, second and third choice of voters. If no candidate receives a majority of first choice votes the second choice votes of each candidate is to be added to the first choice. If this gives any candidate a majority of votes he is nominated. If no candidate has thus far been nominated the third choice votes will then be added to the first and second and the candidate receiving the highest vote nominates.

Mr. Johnson points out that his bill would do away with any necessity for holding more than one primary. The suffrage committee today reported out favorably the bill which would permit women to vote in the primaries and participate in nominating conventions.

Communication Read. A communication was read from the land office with reference to resolution calling upon the attorney general to make a report relative to a survey of excess lands in the state in which he stated that the report of the survey had been filed with the attorney general last October and that the attorney general had withheld action on it pending an examination.

Woman Mistreated. After spending most of the morning in debate the House adopted a resolution that a committee be appointed to investigate alleged mistreatment of the women's Confederate Home as a result of alleged mistreatment of one of the women making her home there. Representative Hildesoe opposed the resolution saying it was without the provisions of the legislature to make such an investigation. He also said he had information which convinced him that the charges were incorrect.

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Urgent Deficiency Bill In Conference; Carries Great Sum

Washington, Mar. 13.—The urgent deficiency appropriation bill went to conference today with every indication pointing to early acceptance by the House and Senate of riders authorizing sale of all enemy property in the United States and government acquisition of the Hoboken piers of the North German Lloyd and Hamburg American steamship lines.

BRITISH WAR REPORT SHOWS REPULSE OF HUNS

London, Mar. 13.—"A party of the enemy which approached our line during the night in the neighborhood of La Vacquerie was driven off by our fire," the war office reports.

CITY TICKET OFFICES TO BE CONSOLIDATED

Washington, Mar. 13.—The railroad administration is taking steps to consolidate city ticket offices in several cities and expects to save several millions of dollars by their unification.

PRINCIPALS IN THE BRITISH STAFF SHAKE-UP



Major General Sir Henry Wilson, New Chief of Staff.



General Sir William Robertson, Chief of the British Imperial Staff.

General Sir William Robertson, Chief of the British Imperial Staff, has resigned that post and General Sir Henry Wilson, Sub-Chief of Staff, takes the vacant place. General Robertson was unable to accept the position as military representative on the Supreme War Council at Versailles, or to continue as Chief of the General Staff with limited power.

Douglas Fairbanks To Speak For Loan Here March 22nd

Douglas Fairbanks, dare-devil movie star, is to speak in Wichita Falls on Friday, March 22, in behalf of the third Liberty Loan. He will on the next day, speak in Amarillo. Thousands of people from the surrounding country are expected to make the trip to this city to hear his address.

Formal announcement of the itinerary of the "Man with the Million Dollar Year Smile" is made by the public utility department of the Federal Reserve Bank, Eleventh district as follows: Fairbanks is to arrive in Amarillo on Friday, March 22, and will leave for Dallas on Saturday, March 23, and for Houston on Sunday, March 24, and for San Antonio on Monday, March 25, and for Galveston on Tuesday, March 26, and for Houston on Wednesday, March 27, and for Dallas on Thursday, March 28, and for San Antonio on Friday, March 29, and for Houston on Saturday, March 30, and for San Antonio on Sunday, March 31, and for Houston on Monday, April 1, and for San Antonio on Tuesday, April 2, and for Houston on Wednesday, April 3, and for San Antonio on Thursday, April 4, and for Houston on Friday, April 5, and for San Antonio on Saturday, April 6, and for Houston on Sunday, April 7, and for San Antonio on Monday, April 8, and for Houston on Tuesday, April 9, and for San Antonio on Wednesday, April 10, 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Second Draft Awaits Only An Amendment By Congress Last Of First Expected To Move Toward Camps End Of Month

800,000 TO BE BASIS USED FOR INDUCTING MEN

PLAN NOW IS TO CALL OUT NUMBER NEEDED ONLY LITTLE BY LITTLE

WILL CARE FOR HARVEST

Provost Marshal Crowder is Now Awaiting Only Enactment of Congress of Legislation Desires

By Associated Press (Washington), Mar. 12.—Provost Marshal General Crowder today made the first official announcement of the time of the second draft. It will be ordered as soon as congress amends the law to compute the basis of apportionment among states on the number of registrants in class I instead of population. For purposes of computation 800,000 men will be considered as composing the second draft although no such number will be called to the colors at any one time.

Men in deferred classifications, the Provost Marshal General announced, would be called in small numbers as well as men in class one for the purpose of utilizing special technical qualifications or sending them to schools to acquire such qualifications.

No Sudden Withdrawal

The provost marshal general makes the definite statement, however, that there will be no sudden withdrawal of great numbers of men from industry and agriculture during the coming summer, but that they will be drawn in relatively small groups spread throughout the year. To give exact numbers, he says, would be to give the enemy military information.

While General Crowder sets no time in his statement, it has been stated previously that supplies and equipment for the men of the second draft would become available in April and action on the desired legislation is expected before that time, the first call is expected soon afterwards.

The next national census will be announced and apportioned among the several states as soon as pending legislation authorizing a change in the basis of computation is enacted by congress, says the provost marshal general's basis.

800,000 Basis for Figuring

"The number that will be assumed as a basis for computation will be 800,000 which is well within the authorization of clause four of section one of the selective service act of a second increment of 800,000 men increased by the recruit training units authorized by clause five of said section one, and by the special and technical troops authorized by section two of said act. It cannot now be determined what the total number to be called to the colors each month will be but it may be stated that no more men will be called than can be properly accommodated and promptly inducted."

"There are difficulties confronting the nation in the supply of labor apportioned to agriculture. First, one, from which the industry is to be drawn, will contain many more men than are at present required for the army. It would be a most unscientific and haphazard method to draw from one or called indiscriminately without regard to the labor situation in agriculture. Therefore, the local boards will be directed to fill the quotas in the order of liability of men in class one as determined by the national drawing, except that, where it is shown that a registrant is particularly skilled in the planting, cultivation or rearing of a crop, his call to the colors shall be deferred to the foot of the quota of his class as long as he continues to be so engaged."

Must Work Hard

"Whenever any registrant whose call to the colors has been deferred by reason of his engagement in agriculture, it is shown to have been idle on the farm on which he is engaged, or to have trifled with the deferment that has been accorded him, the boards will forthwith strip him of military service if his order number has been reached in the meantime. The effect of this expedient is to grant thorough man service prior to the call to the colors to the men so greatly needed in the production of this year's crop."

"This is not, however, the only expedient that is to be adopted to conserve the supply of labor apportioned to agriculture and the mobilize all means for increasing the harvest for the agricultural season of 1918."

"There is now pending before congress a bill authorizing the secretary of war to grant furloughs with or without pay to men in the army to enable them to engage in industrial and agricultural pursuits. These furloughs will be granted after consideration of the circumstances of the individual case in which they arise and when the military situation is such that they can be granted without too great disruption and disorganization of the army or of any particular organization of the army."

"As to the other means to protect agriculture a new regulation has been promulgated authorizing agricultural students in their senior years in land grant colleges to enlist in the enlisted reserve corps of the quartermaster's department provided the college course is such as to place them in the upper third of their class. By this means it will be possible to defer the draft call of such young men in order to enable them to perfect themselves as agriculturists and thereafter to protect them in such services as it may seem that they should perform in the best interests of the nation."

"The whole industrial and agricultural situation is being subjected to a very comprehensive study in order to discover the best means to be taken to protect and augment the labor supply without prejudicing the prompt and orderly progress of our military plans. It is confidently believed that great progress can be made along this line and that more effective measures than any yet devised can be put in operation to attain the desired end."

Americans in Command of a Trench in Lorraine and Americans in Charge of a French Gun



OFFICERS IN CHARGE OF AN AMERICAN TRENCH ON THE LORRAINE FRONT. AMERICAN ARTILLERYMEN MANNING A FRENCH 75 ON THE BATTLE FRONT.

Governor Recommends Amending Election Laws Of Texas; Signs Loyalty Bill Making All Disloyal Utterances Felonies

AMERICAN TROOPS IN LORRAINE READY FOR THE HUN GAS ATTACK



These members of the American expeditionary forces now in the first line trenches on the southern side of the St. Mihiel salient, northwest of Toul, are fully prepared to fight in safety despite the gas attacks of the enemy. The American gas masks are said to be more perfect than those of any of the Allies and to furnish a complete defense against all attacks by poisonous fumes. The masks, however, must be put on very rapidly, for the gas has an immediate effect, although its results sometimes do not appear for several hours. The reason why there were so many casualties from this source recently was because the men affected did not get their masks on quickly enough. Five seconds is the limit of safety.

CONCERNING UNETHICAL PRACTICES OF CERTAIN LAWYERS IN THIS STATE

Adjutant General Townes issues the following statement: I have today received from the Provost Marshal general the following telegram: "The practice upon the part of lawyers of charging registrants fees in connection with their military obligations has been pronounced unethical by many State bar associations. This office strictly disapproves of the patriotic practice. The American Bar Association is actively assisting this office in stopping this practice. You should immediately take the matter up with your State officials of that organization."

The very great majority of the Texas lawyers have made a most patriotic response to the request made of them to assist registrants in filling out their questionnaires and other papers. The members of the Legal Advisory Boards worked early and late without any remuneration whatever and this department feels very grateful to them.

Calls Upon States

"In accordance with this plan the provost general has already called upon the states for some ten thousand skilled artisans and will shortly call upon the states for ten thousand young men, graduates of grammar schools who will be sent before the first of April to various technical and other schools throughout the United States for a two month course of training. Regularly thereafter and increasing stream of selected men will be sent through education and other training institutions for this purpose."

"To sum up, it may be said that there will be no sudden withdrawal of great numbers of men from the ranks of industry and agriculture during the coming summer but that men will be drawn in relatively small groups throughout the year in such a way as to create the least possible interference with industry and agriculture. Men in deferred classes as well as men in class one will be selected in numbers either on account of their special technical qualifications or for the purpose of sending them to schools where they will be given an opportunity to acquire such qualifications."

The war department is prepared to supply clothing and other equipment immediately for all men to be called out.

German Purchasing Co. Cancels All Contracts With Norway, Report

London, March 12.—All contracts with Norway have been annulled by the German Central Purchasing Company from March 16, according to a Bergen dispatch to the Tiden Telegram, as quoted in an exchange telegraph dispatch from Copenhagen. The reason for this action, the dispatch says, is that the Norwegian agreement with America provides for the exportation of only 48,000 tons of fish yearly to Germany. The company's office at Bergen has been closed.

Would Discourage Them

This department desires to discourage the employment of high priced attorneys by registrants because we feel that it is not only a foolish expenditure of money by the registrants, but for the greater reason that it is highly unethical and improper for hired attorneys to lobby with Exemption Boards. The practice is unparliamentary in the extreme and can only result in dissatisfaction to every one (except the attorneys) in the communities where it is engaged in. General Crowder and various Bar Associations have denounced the practice. Members of Local and District Exemption Boards are officials of the War Department. Section 24 of the Selective Service Regulations by which Local and District Crowders are governed reads in part as follows: "All officials of the War Department engaged in the execution of the Selective Service laws are hereby directed to decline to discuss cases pending before Local or District Boards or to entertain any communication, suggestion or additional evidence or statements concerning them."

Some Ask Fees

It has come to our notice, however, that a few lawyers throughout the state have been taking fees, and in some instances very large fees, from registrants for assisting or pretending to assist deferred registrants from the Exemption Boards. These few lawyers have been bleeding the registrants and their families and we know of no instance where such attorneys have accomplished anything either in behalf of the country or the individual registrants in connection with the draft.

We know of a few instances in which registrants have employed lawyers and paid them large fees and the registrants have been given more deferred classification by District Boards than they were given by the Local Boards, but these were instances in which the District Boards would have given the registrants more deferred classification anyway. In other words, the employment of the attorneys had nothing to do with the decision of the District Boards and the registrants got nothing for the money paid as attorneys' fees.

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Another provides that each voter must mark own ballot.

EXPENSE OF CANDIDATES

Measure provides that they may spend their money only for certain specified things.

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Administration of latter act is left in hands of Governor and carries total of \$2,000,000.

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95,000 MEN ARE TO BE MOVED TO TRAINING CAMPS

TEXAS WILL BE CALLED UPON TO FURNISH 3,943 OF THIS NUMBER

COMPLETES FIRST CALL

Some of Second Draft May Be Included in Number to Be Moved from March 29 to April 29.

By Associated Press (Washington), Mar. 12.—A movement of 95,000 drafted men to begin on March 29 and continue for five days was ordered today by Provost Marshal General Crowder. The order calls troops from every state in the union with the exception of Iowa and Minnesota. It includes men remaining from the first draft and these liable to call in the second.

Complete First Draft

Just how many men of the second draft are affected by the order was not stated at General Crowder's office. It is understood that the movement will virtually complete the first draft and that it is part of the announced plan to call registrants in small groups as fast as they can be accommodated. The apportionment by states follows:

Apportionment by States	
Alabama	2,634
Arizona	148
Arkansas	1,544
California	1,745
Colorado	233
Connecticut	902
Delaware	308
District of Columbia	109
Florida	2,406
Georgia	2,925
I Idaho	243
Illinois	1,941
Indiana	2,977
Kansas	87
Kentucky	1,801
Louisiana	3,573
Maine	340
Maryland	382
Massachusetts	2,069
Michigan	1,555
Mississippi	3,232
Missouri	1,170
Montana	541
Nebraska	459
Nevada	72
New Hampshire	212
New Jersey	4,275
New Mexico	127
New York	12,288
North Carolina	342
North Dakota	5,174
Ohio	6,955
Oklahoma	598
Oregon	369
Pennsylvania	7,828
Rhode Island	301
South Carolina	342
South Dakota	1,667
Tennessee	2,753
Texas	3,943
Utah	247
Vermont	176
Virginia	2,178
Washington	638
West Virginia	1,514
Wisconsin	2,214
Wyoming	134

CHINA TO COOPERATE WITH JAPANESE TROOPS

Peking, Mar. 11.—China in response to an inquiry from Tokyo has signified her intention to cooperate with Japan in the protection of allied interests in the Far East. The Chinese war bureau has been requested to arrange for the sending of two divisions to northern Manchuria. Japan will bear the expense pending the completion of a proposed American loan to China.

COMING TO WICHITA FALLS

RETURN VISIT DOCTORS REA BROS.

American Physician Specialists Giving Free Medical Service to the Sick At Hotel Westland From Monday, March 18 Until Thursday Noon, March 21—Four Days.

Licensed by the States, visiting the principal cities throughout the United States, demonstrating their system of treating diseases and deformities without surgical operation; will give free treatment (except cost of medicines and appliances) on this visit.

By their improved system many dangerous operations may be avoided and much expense eliminated in the treatment of diseases of the liver, stomach and bowel troubles, such as dyspepsia, constipation, sick headache, dropsy, gall stones, appendicitis, bowel obstructions and inflammations.

Tuberculosis, Asthma, Bronchitis, Pleurisy, Catarrh, Catarrhal Deafness, Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Diseases and Lung Diseases treated with a combination of medicines, serums, vaccines, diet and hygiene.

Kidney and Bladder Troubles, pains in the back, weak back, swelling of the limbs, stiffness of the joints, rheumatism, undeveloped children, bed wetting, club feet, curvature of the spine and other deformities.

Blood and Heart Diseases, swelling of the limbs, skin diseases, pellagra, sore, varicose veins, heart palpitation, bad circulation, cold limbs numbness, enlarged glands, rotter and deep-seated chronic diseases.

Nervous Diseases, epilepsy, neuritis, neuralgia, sciatica, paralysis, mental weakness, nervous prostration, sleeplessness, high blood pressure, mental worry, discouragement, and diseases of women.

Piles, fistula, small tumors, and growths of a suspicious nature treated with the hyperdermic injection method, and effective plan of treatment without surgical operation.

Drs. Rea Bros. are physicians of wide reputation and have an extensive practice throughout the United States. Their plan is to secure in each community evidence of their good work so as to benefit them in securing more patients.

The sick and those interested are invited to call. Married women must come with their husbands, and children with their parents.

Hours 10 a. m. to 4 p. m. Week 10 a. m. to 4 p. m. Daily March 10-17-18.

Advertisement.

AMERICANS MAKE BOLD RAIDS UPON GERMAN TRENCHES

SWEEP PAST FIRST LINE AND PENETRATE TO ENEMY'S ... SECOND DEFENSES

FEW PRISONERS TAKEN

Huns Had Already Deserted Position and Number of Dugouts are Blown Up

By Associated Press. With the American Army in France, Sunday, Mar. 10—American troops, cooperating with the French, have carried out three raids opposite the American sector in Lorraine. Two of the raids were executed simultaneously last night.

The Americans swept past the German first line and penetrated to the enemy's second line, 600 yards back. Artillery prepares way. The two simultaneous raids, one northwest and one northeast of the main line, were made after intense artillery preparations lasting for four hours, in which the German positions were leveled. At midnight, two forces, each one of "detached" small French forces on their flanks, moved upon the German objectives behind a creeping barrage, each on a front of six hundred yards. When the Americans reached the enemy's first line the barrage was lifted so as to box the German positions at both points. The men dropped into the enemy's trenches, and, with a hand-to-hand fight, found the Germans had fled. Continuing the advance they went forward six hundred yards to the German second line. All the time American machine guns were firing on each flank of the two parties to prevent the enemy from undertaking flanking operations. One French tank party, which had wounded Germans in a dugout and took them prisoners, the Americans found one.

Remained 45 Minutes. The Americans remained for forty five minutes in the enemy lines. They found excellent concrete dugouts which they blew up and also brought back large quantities of material and valuable papers. While they were in the enemy lines German artillery began a vigorous counter barrage. It was quickly silenced by American heavy and light artillery which hurled large quantities of gas shells on the batteries.

An American trench mortar battery, the most of which were fired at the artillery preparations preceding the raid, helped to level the enemy positions. The artillery, both light and heavy, was manned by soldiers mostly from—(deleted). Soon after these two raids had been carried out the Americans started another at a point further along the line. This time they went over the top after artillery preparation of forty five minutes in which the enemy's positions attacked were obliterated. American dugouts were found to have been constructed principally of logs. Engineers accompanying the raiding party, completed the trenching work of destruction. The American infantrymen who took part in this raid are from—(deleted)—and the engineers from—(deleted).

Work Skillfully Done. The raids were carried out skillfully and but for the fact that the Germans fled, more prisoners doubtless would have been taken. American machine guns are believed to have caused many casualties among the enemy. No Americans are unaccounted for.

FIRE AT ELECTRA CONSUMES PART OF BUSINESS BLOCK

Special to The Times. Electra, Texas, Mar. 11.—Fire of unknown origin, communicating about 4 o'clock Sunday, destroyed the greater part of the block containing the telephone exchange and a two story brick building being consumed. The loss will be near \$50,000 it is estimated.

A lumber yard, owned by S. Walker of Wichita Falls was across the alley from the buildings destroyed but the flames were confined to the brick buildings. The fire, however, was a loss would have been much greater, but it was understood a two story building was dynamited after the flames got beyond control, in order to prevent the spread to nearby business blocks.

The two story brick, owned by G. B. Jackson, who lives in Florida, contained the telephone exchange, and the W. O. W. hall on the second floor, and a cafe on the ground floor. The one story brick adjoining this, belonging to R. B. McGee of Electra and was occupied by a tailor shop and an implement house.

The Wichita Falls fire department started to Electra to aid in fighting the fire but had to turn back when Iowa Park was reached, because of a low water. The truck did not carry an extra tire.

Tax Investigator Is Here for Indefinite Stay; Hestand Departs

R. M. Eubanks, income tax investigator, is here in Wichita Falls for duty for an indefinite length of time. W. B. Hestand, the income tax expert who had been here for a month and a half to assist persons in making their income tax returns, has closed his office and it is not thought likely that another representative of the internal revenue bureau will be sent here before April 1, when the income returns are due. Those who failed to take advantage of Mr. Hestand's presence to get their blanks filled out will have to fill out their blanks alone and get them in promptly to escape the penalty.

KNITTED GOODS FOR CALL FIELD TO BE PREPARED

REQUEST FOR GARMENTS IS MADE TO LOCAL RED CROSS CHAPTER

Call Field has asked the Red Cross for 44 sweaters, 60 pairs of wristlets and 47 helmets and the Wichita Falls knitters are asked to get busy and supply of yarn at the Red Cross headquarters and all knitters not now at work are asked to help out on this call.

List of Articles. Saturday the local Red Cross field director, W. D. Cline, took to Call Field the following knitted articles: 20 1/2 sweaters, 3 mittens, 126 pairs of socks, 63 pairs of wristlets and 66 helmets.

In keeping with the local call comes the request from headquarters in the latest "important items," that the women shall "Knit, knit, knit."

Headquarters Request. Chapters still seem uncertain whether they are to continue knitting during the spring and summer months. Any Chapter member who could spend a day at the Bureau of Supplies and see the tremendous shipments of knit articles being sent to the Cantonnments would not wonder whether Chapters were still to continue knitting, as there are not a sufficient amount of knit garments on hand at the present time to meet the demand.

Knit garments will be required in this country until hot weather comes. We shall need them for the use of our men abroad as long as the war continues.

We need socks especially, for they wear out more quickly than any other article and are tremendously important in keeping the men in condition. Do not let your men be in need of knit articles when you are wondering whether you still must knit. Don't stop knitting until the war is over. You will probably be asked to knit even after that.

HORACE M. SWOPE, Acting Manager.

WATER WELL SUNK ON BUSY STREET BY J. B. MARLOW

A water well was sunk in the curb in front of the Kentucky bar on Ohio avenue this morning by J. B. Marlow. A water sand was found at a depth of 28 feet and the hole was bored eight or ten feet into the sand. A casing was sunk to the bottom of the hole but the sand was gravel packed into it so as to impede the flow of the water. It is believed that as soon as the gravel is unpacked from the casing a strong flow of water will be released. Mr. Marlow expects to have a power pump put into the casing and says he will be disappointed unless it will pump as much as 100 gallons a minute.

HARDY AND SPLAWN CASES POSTPONED BY COMMISSIONER

Postponement of the hearing of charges of bribery against Hardy, local liquor dealer, and charges against H. M. Splawn, special Indian Service agent of receiving a bribe, from Tuesday to Thursday, was announced in the office of the Commissioner this afternoon. The postponement was made to allow several federal officers to arrive from Denver. The U. S. district attorney, W. M. Odell, of Dallas, will also be here on Thursday.

Two of Splawn's deputies, J. K. Lanford and a man named Flowers, against whom a federal warrant had been sworn out, were caught in Oklahoma City Sunday night. Deputy Constables Glenn and Spiller were sent to bring them to Wichita Falls and according to phone reports will arrive late this afternoon with their prisoners. Lanford and Splawn will be charged with accepting a bribe.

FOUR GOOD WELLS AT BURKBURNETT WEEK'S RESULT

Four good wells were reported from the Burk Burnett pool last week and in addition there were several completions in the shallow sands. C. B. Farquharson's L. F. Ramming No. 15 was completed at 1655 feet and is good for 100 barrels. The L. F. Ramming No. 11 is good also for 100 barrels from a sand at 1831 feet. The Triangle Oil Company's Sands No. 2 is good for 65 barrels as is also the Magnolia Petroleum Company's Liles No. 13. The Triangle company's well got the sand at 1841 feet and the Magnolia Liles 13 at 1842 feet. The Magnolia Petroleum Co. also got a 25 barrel well in its Viles No. 14 after shooting the sand at 1520 feet with a fifteen quart shot.

In the shallow pool there were several completions. W. E. Conners' Fowler No. 16 at 517 feet and the Odell Oil Co.'s Boze No. 9 were each 15 barrel wells, and Fowler No. 16 at 232 feet and Boze No. 9 at 282 feet. Five three barrel wells were reported as follows: Smith and Shultz Dodson No. 6 at 174 feet, Shegog at Dodson No. 29 at 186 feet, Kuehn at Dodson No. 2 at 170 feet, Staley at Dodson No. 5 at 192 feet, and the Odell Oil Co.'s Beach No. 8 at 214 feet.

The Willard Oil Co.'s No. 1 is reported as a dry hole at 800 feet.

WILL TAKE ON ALL COMERS, GANGWAY



"STRANGLER" ED LEWIS

"Strangler" Ed Lewis, one of the best wrestlers in the game and inventor of the dreaded head-lock, is on the warpath. He insists that he is being discriminated against by the other grapplers and challenges Stecher, Zhyssko and Caddock to a finish match with the head-lock permitted. His action is supported by the wrestling fans, who insist that the heavyweight championship wrangle cannot be settled without Lewis being one of the participants.

THE SPRING DRIVE



RELEASE OF THE PRISONERS

NINE ARE DROWNED RESULT OF SINKING OF TUG IN RIVER

By Associated Press. Columbus, Ohio, Mar. 11.—Nine members of the crew of a large tug owned by the Hissco Towboat Company, of this city, were drowned shortly after last midnight when the tug was sunk in the Mississippi about four miles above Pointe-A-La-Hache, La., as the result of a collision with a steamer, according to a telephone message received here from Pointe-A-La-Hache early today.

"SANTA MARIA" WILL BE TOWED TO CHICAGO

By Associated Press. Columbus, Ohio, Mar. 11.—The Santa Maria, reproduction of the flagship of Christopher Columbus, is to leave Charlotetown next June on her return to Chicago. She has laid up here since October, 1916. The ship was sold under an admiralty court order to meet towage claims and later sold to the South Park commission of Chicago. A United States patrol boat will tow her to Chicago where she will join her sister ships, the Nina and Pinta.

FEW DEATHS RESULT AT RESULT TORNADO

By Associated Press. Columbus, Ohio, Mar. 11.—While Saturday's tornado wrought perhaps more than a million dollars damage in Van Wert and Paulding counties, Ohio, where it did its greatest damage, it is believed today that the number of deaths will not exceed six or seven. Five are known dead and there are several injured who may die. Telephone and Telegraph systems and highways are still blocked.

Compulsory Labor Is Imposed Upon Women By German Victors

French Front, Feb. 26.—That compulsory labor for the German conquerors is imposed on French women and girls, as well as on the male inhabitants of the invaded districts of France, is shown in the order issued by General Volkers of the 9th German army corps, recently stationed in the vicinity of Cambrai. The text of the order is as follows: "This group of troops will shortly have need of 1,000 men for various works. An increase of production must be exacted from these workers, and groups of women must be employed whenever possible, especially for work in the fields. Those in charge of these workers must bear in mind that at the present moment our German women are taking the places of male workers and they should not lose sight of the principle that no French woman or girl ought to be allowed to do less work than our countrywomen in their interior."

Trotzky and Lenine Quarrel Over Treaty; Former Is Discharged

By Associated Press. London, Mar. 11.—Leon Trotzky was dismissed as Bolshevik foreign minister by Premier Lenine, owing to a quarrel over the German peace terms, according to a dispatch to the Morning Post dated Saturday in Petrograd. Trotzky held that the peace peace had been extorted by force and that no law recognized promises made under duress was obligatory. Therefore, he is reported to have said it was Russia's duty to fight, if only guerrilla warfare, and the German treaty should not be ratified.

Germans Attempting To Conceal Losses Of Their Airplanes

Associated Press Mail Correspondent. Paris, Jan. 19. Germans are trying to conceal their airplane losses and augment those of the Entente Allies, according to French officials. The last communique on the subject said that "in December the enemy aerial forces have lost 119 airplanes and 9 captive balloons. We have lost in aerial combats 82 airplanes and two captive balloons." French authorities report that in December the English brought down 46 German machines and the French 84 admitted by the Germans. The French claim of enemy machines does not include 25 German machines which were seen to fall but the loss of which has not been officially confirmed. The coming British and French aerial losses during December were 43 machines instead of 128 claimed by Germany. Of these British lost 32 and the French 11. "The German 'camouflage' in the communique is found in the words 'in aerial combats.' It is pointed out that the Germans forget to include the number of their machines brought down by anti-aircraft guns of the Allies while they claim as losses all allied machines seen to fall within their own lines and many of which are virtually undamaged.

BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY MEETS WAR EMERGENCY

TREMENDOUS EXPANSION SUCCESSFULLY ACCOMPLISHED IN FEW WEEKS

By Associated Press. New York, March 11.—How the Bell Telephone system met the emergency of an enormously expanded service after the entry of the United States into the war and provided adequate service to the various branches of the government without disturbance to the interests of existing customers is the annual report of Theodore N. Vail, president of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company and its associated companies, which was presented to the stockholders here last night. "Immediately upon the declaration of war," President Vail says, "preference was established throughout the system for all government service, and 12,000 toll operators were speedily trained for this work. Precedence was also established at Washington and over the entire country for the maintenance of existing facilities and the construction of numerous additional facilities for communication. Elaborate plans had been worked out in advance and work was done in a few weeks that ordinarily would have taken several months."

Service in Washington. During the last year, the report shows, there has been a tremendous increase in the telephone service in Washington to handle which it has been necessary to enlarge the switchboard five times and to bring in several hundred trained operators from other cities. Several of the department switchboards are large enough for a city of 100,000 population.

For the national service, the report states, 15,000 miles of wire and 27,000 miles of circuits for telegraph use have been taken from commercial service and devoted exclusively to the use of the government.

In addition during the year, the company provided extensive telephone facilities for the national army cantonment, two national guard camps, division headquarters of the army and navy, aviation fields, training camps and various federal and state camps in different parts of the country. More than 300 miles of submarine cables and 1,200 miles of land lines connecting the coast guard systems were constructed and put in operation.

Picked Battalions. Fourteen battalions of picked officers and men, trained in the company's telegraph and telephone work, have joined the signal corps. The company represented altogether by about 7,500 employees in various government activities incident to the war.

Telephone traffic in the United States during 1917 broke all records, the report shows the daily average of exchange connections reaching the high figure of 39,845,000. The total mileage of the system was 22,510,487, an increase of 2,000,000 miles.

Total operating expenses in round figures were \$29,900,000, an increase of \$30,500,000 total operating expenses of \$294,400,000, an increase of \$28,500,000, leaving net operating revenues of \$90,500,000.

Demand for Service. An abnormal demand for service due to the war times necessitated a record expenditure for additions to plants of \$118,000,000, nearly fifty per cent greater than any previous similar annual outlay.

The net earnings of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, segregated from those of the Bell system, are shown to be \$48,240,000 which is \$4,417,000 more than for the previous year.

Mr. Vail states that the telephone business is growing, that the public is friendly and that the business of the Bell system is in a healthy condition with assets of more than three hundred millions in excess of outstanding obligations.

Referring to government control, Mr. Vail says: "Whatever can be done by the government through direct operation can be more certainly through control and regulation of private operation, thus combining the potency of the sovereign with the initiative of the subject."

AUSTIN SCHOOL CHILDREN WILL PLANT GARDENS

C. R. MARTIN WILL DIRECT WORK OF CHILDREN ON TWO VACANT LOTS

C. R. Martin, instructor in agriculture at the Austin school, has secured the use of 2 vacant lots on Thirteenth street across the street from the school building, and is making arrangements for their immediate cultivation by the children of the school. The lots are owned by Mrs. M. M. Addicks, who turned them over to the school on Saturday. As soon as the lots can be plowed, all quick maturing vegetables suitable to this climate will be planted by the children. According to the present plan, the products will be sold to local grocers, and the proceeds used for the development of the gardens for the fall and for next spring.

Many Sign Pledges. Mr. Martin reports that from 75 to 80 percent of the pupils in the school have signed war garden pledges and are at work on gardens at their homes. All varieties of vegetables which may be planted at this time and which will mature in the spring are being cultivated in these home gardens. Mr. Martin is instructing the workers as to what, how, and how much to plant, and is expecting good results from the work.

Wants Other Lots. He is on the lookout for other vacant lots which are available for the work. He has been making investigations concerning two lots on Bluff street, east of the school building. He has been unable to get into communication with the owner of the lots up to the present time.

Garden and playground equipment has been purchased with a small sum of money subscribed by the people of the city for the work at the school, and Mr. Martin is hoping for greater financial support along these lines. He is pushing war gardens and "clean day" among the children and reports a strong response on their part.

Fights Submarine With Coal Shovel and Then Escapes

London, February 21. (By Mail)—When one's vessel is in danger from enemy submarines anything will do as a weapon of defense, as yesterday a crew of a British trawler who used a coal shovel with good effect against a German U-boat. The trawler according to the story told by one of the crew, was in the North Sea in a stiff breeze when the skipper saw a periscope crawl through the breaking surface of the sea and about a hundred yards away from the trawler's bow. The trawler's best speed was less than eight knots.

"It was a situation to dismay most of us," said the skipper. "Our skipper however, kept his fighting spirit. A touch of the wheel sent the trawler's blunt bows pointing at the submarine's whale back and the trawler's heavy scoop at the periscope and the third blow reduced it to fragments.

"The skipper bawled for a hammer, a crowbar, anything that would hurt. One of the crew thrust a coal shovel into his hand and he scrambled on to the bulwarks and leaned over, two of the crew hanging on to his coal, so that he would not fall or be knocked back. Heards and forwards he swung the heavy scoop at the periscope and the third blow reduced it to fragments.

"The submarine commander hearing this noise and wondering what new and horrible device the enemy had invented, crept to his periscope to have a look but all that he saw was a blind and the trawler got away in safety."

FAMOUS ACTOR DIES AT MASSACHUSETTS HOME

By Associated Press. Somerville, Mass., March 11.—The original "Dick Deadeye" of the American stage, James Gilbert, died at his home in this city yesterday at the age of sixty six years. He was the first actor to play the part of "Dick Deadeye" in Gilbert and Sullivan's opera, "Pinafore."

For many years he toured the country with a comic opera company of his own.

BRITISH NAVAL AIRMEN MAKE RAID UPON HUNS

By Associated Press. London, March 11.—British aviators of the naval air service, yesterday made a raid over Belgium dropping bombs on the airfield and ammunition dump at Engel, the Admiralty announced. Two fires were started, in aerial combat three enemy airplanes were destroyed and four others driven out of control. All the British planes returned safely.

FURTHER RETIREMENT BY TURKS REPORTED

By Associated Press. BULLETTIN—London, March 11.—There has been a further retirement by the Turks in Mesopotamia. It was officially announced today. The Turkish garrison which on Saturday evacuated Hit, on the Euphrates, before the British advance and fell back seven miles upstream, kept up its rearward movement and now occupies Karwan-Bahadil on the Euphrates, 22 miles above Hit.

New Auditorium Is Formally Dedicated At Fort Oglethorpe

By Associated Press. Chattahoochee, Tenn., March 11.—The Warden McLean Auditorium at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, near here, was formally opened and dedicated today with a program that included an address by Surgeon General William C. Gorgas, of the army and a review participated in by a large number of medical officers. The auditorium was built by Mrs. William C. McLean of Philadelphia, in memory of her son, Lieutenant Warden McLean who was killed in a fall from his horse at the first officers training camp at Fort Oglethorpe.

POSTERS PROCLAIM NEW LIBERTY LOAN STRIKING WAY

THESE TO BE SILENT SALES AGENTS FOR THIRD ISSUE OF BONDS

By Associated Press. Washington, March 9.—Posters proclaiming the Third Liberty Loan in striking phrases and colorful designs—nine million of them in many breeds—a dozen styles—now are being distributed to very city and hamlet of the United States.

The contest of silent sales agents of the bonds, and their preparation has taken months of planning and careful choosing. Hardy had the Second Liberty Loan campaign close before the country's foremost artists and designers were invited to go to work on posters for the Third loan.

The result is a collection of striking posters that are artistically and psychologically better than any yet attempted in the two previous loan drives. Soon they will be familiar sights on billboards, on bill boards, and all public places.

In addition, five million window stickers, 50,000,000 post stamps, and 10,000,000 badges have been ordered and will be ready for the opening day of the campaign.

Some of the designers of the Liberty Loan posters are Howard Chandler Christy, Joseph Pennell, J. C. Leyendecker, Charles Rissene, Herbert Stern, Henry Raleigh and Sydney S. Stern. All contributed their work without pay, and scores of other artists submitted designs which were reluctantly rejected.

Popular appeal was considered carefully in the final choice. "We must reach the kinds and classes of persons. Treasury officials reminded themselves continually. They hope to grip the heartstrings—and equally the purse strings—of the old and young, the rich and poor, the native American and the adopted alien.

One of the most striking posters—by the Joseph Pennell—portrays a great battleship alongside wharves bustling with war time activity—motor trucks carrying cranes, and smoking stacks, with striking overhead lighting effects in etching style, and the title subscribed is "Provide the Sineews of War, Buy Liberty Bonds."

Howard Chandler Christy contributed a stirring design. A slim young modernized goddess of liberty waves a staff of freedom, and with outstretched arm points to a file of soldiers marching past. "Fight or Buy Bonds," is the title.

A poster which will arrest instant attention shows a steel-belted American soldier springing from a trench and bearing a billowing American flag. "Over the Top For You—Buy U. S. Government Bonds," is the slogan. "Liberty Loan" is the message it carries. The work was done by Sydney Riesenber.

The fact that many naturalized Americans have joined the Liberty Loan campaign has been recognized and one of the posters was planned particularly for distribution in the foreign language sections of the cities. It shows an American soldier springing from a trench and bearing a billowing American flag. "Over the Top For You—Buy U. S. Government Bonds," is the slogan. "Liberty Loan" is the message it carries. The work was done by Sydney Riesenber.

"Halt the Hun" is the watchword proclaimed by another poster showing a stalwart American soldier smiting the helmeted figure of the enemy about to seize a crouching woman with her hands raised in prayer. "Buy U. S. Government Bonds," is the inscription.

"Are You 100 per cent American?" is the caption of an attractive poster by Sidney S. Stern, a young New York artist.

Herbert Paus has contributed another of the striking designs, showing a group of fighting men climbing over the trench top, with the subscription, "To Make the World a Decent Place to Live In." The dark figures are silhouetted against a lurid sky.

Billboarders, the publicity manager has arranged a huge design of a soldier's farewell to No-Man's-Land in the distance and above him in vignette the embodiment of his dreams of victory—cheering troops marching homeward. "Make His Dreams Come True," is the slogan. "Buy U. S. Government Bonds, Third Liberty Loan."

Another poster portrays a child at his mother's side, praying for the safety and victory of his brother in France. In these words: "Now I lay me down to sleep, I pray the Lord my soul to keep. God bless my brother gone to war. Across the seas in France, so far. Oh, may he fight for Liberty. Save millions more than little me! From cruel fates or ruthless hands. And bring him safely home at last."

Great Sterilizing Machines Shipped to Forces Now in France

New York, March 11.—Ten sterilizing machines, each weighing 8,000 pounds, said to be the largest pieces of disinfecting apparatus ever manufactured, have been completed for shipment to the American overseas forces. It was announced today. By the use of the specially devised apparatus, it is expected the danger of typhoid fever and other diseases among the troops will be reduced to a minimum. The machines not only will sterilize the clothing and effects of the fighters, but will be used for disinfecting surgical dressings.

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LOYALTY BILL PASSES.

Governor Hobby has signed the loyalty bill which makes it a felony for any person in Texas to speak disloyally of the flag, the army or the navy of the United States.

Well and good! This bill is not going to bother the people who are loyal for they could not speak improperly of the nation's emblem or of the forces offering their lives to defend it.

But the insidious German agent, the P. E. A. agitator, the I. W. W. raver, the hypenated tool of the Kaiser who has heretofore taken advantage of this free country to scatter seeds of discontent and disloyalty among his acquaintances by insidious utterances—these are going to be nailed to the mast by the new law.

It is "shut up or go up" with these gentry for the future, to the greater peace of their neighbors and the welfare of the country.

FARM LABORERS TO BE SOUGHT

The United States government has asked all farmers to tell their rural carrier or their postmaster how many laborers they are going to need to harvest their crops this year and when this work will be greatest.

This is one year during which the farmer of the country is going to be treated with every consideration. He is not only to be paid a good profit for the products which he sells, but his "labor problem" is going to be relieved, as much as possible, by the cooperation of the Federal government, and probably of municipalities, also.

We believe for instance, that the "labor problem" in Wichita county can easily be met by the people of Wichita Falls. Those who will be willing to give one or two days labor free upon the farms of the county if it is later found that a labor shortage is going to endanger the harvest, could be given an opportunity to register and arrangements be made to transport them to points at which they would do the most good at the proper time. This might be done without charge, as one of the ways in which we could help win the war. Or, as in most instances it would be the case, the farmers would probably be delighted to pay the usual wage in return for the work which they secured. And the grain that was harvested would be just that much more saved for our own soldiers and those of our Allies.

But Uncle Sam has not yet definitely showed his hand, further than to ask the number of laborers each of the farmers will need.

If the sky of East Texas appeared half as overcast as the sky above Wichita Falls does today, every fellow would carry his rain coat when he went to work. Now it is strange, but we haven't seen a single rain coat being "packed" about today. Evidently the people of Wichita Falls do not get nervous.

That scarcity of houses continues. Shortage of labor and high cost of materials, together with uncertainty as to transportation of it, are given as chief reasons why local capitalists are not investing in rent houses this year.

The planting of gardens in Wichita Falls is well under way. There are few homes, indeed, about which fresh beds or flower beds, ground is not to be seen and many backyards are being prepared for vegetables. Looks as if the town-folks have decided to "live at home" and board at the same place.

The League of Advertising Women of New York City, of which Miss Jane Hamilton is president, is actively working to bring about Speechless Days of unnecessary gossip pertaining to war activities among women throughout the country. As a novelty, advertising scheme, this will be a great success, but all married men know that in practice Speechless Days among women, are foreordained and predestinated to be failures.

UNETHICAL TO APPEAR UNPARI-TIOTIC

There is to be no lobbying in connection with the selective draft. No additional facts to those appearing upon questionnaires or requested by members of the board are to be presented.

Inspect a paid lawyer can do a draft of man absolutely no good in connection with his case.

Realities, it is now held that the lawyer who accepts fees for assisting drafted men who seek to secure ex-

emption are unethical. So that settles it. A great deal of assistance has been given men in the draft army absolutely free of charge by lawyers of their communities, who helped them to fill out their questionnaires properly and advised them so that their reports to the board would be both true and clear.

The work of attorneys in connection with the drafting of men is a patriotic work, and the people of Wichita Falls will be glad to remember that the members of the local bar so considered it and systematically divided their time for the benefit of the young men of this community who had to file questionnaires, explaining the meaning of the various queries.

Wichita Falls didn't get a rain today but it had an excellent sand storm.

Every time an aviator does a loop the loop, a nose spin or makes a forced landing there are those who are convinced that he has fallen to earth, never again to rise. And the conclusions seem perfectly reasonable, too.

Douglas Fairbanks, the movie star, is going to make a speech to the people of Wichita Falls on Friday, March 22, advocating the purchase of bonds of the Third Liberty Loan. We favor letting "Doug" speak from the top of the First National Bank building, President Wilson or Charlie Chaplin are the only others we know of who would have as large an audience.

THE PROS WILL ANSWER BY BALLOT

Under the ten mile spole law which will go into effect on April 15, Wichita Falls will be done dry, it will be a violation of the law to have liquors in the home or to transport liquors to this city for any purpose. Intoxicants may be used only for medical and sacramental purposes, under the law.

But there will be one or two wet spots left in the state after this, although they are relatively unimportant points. They will remain wet until about June 27. For there is a statutory prohibition measure before the legislature and those who are in position to forecast the probable action of that body say it will adopt the bill by an overwhelming majority.

Meantime a prohibition election has been ordered for Electra. Moneyed interests are back of the movement. Wichita Falls liquor dealers are anxious to dispose of their stock, and it reports are true, many of them are now overstocked with "left-overs" secured when Dallas joined the Pro. ranks. Naturally they want to sell. Naturally somebody must drink. The nearest and the easiest solution to them appears to be to move these stocks over to Electra, and there permit them to be quaffed between April 15 and June 27.

There are several phases of this matter, however, that the property owners of this neighboring town must consider. There are several phases of the matter which the expectant hope-to-be-purchasers of these liquors need to consider most carefully.

The moral side comes first, as it always must.

The parent of what family in any of this neighboring town wants to see his boy start on the downward path? You think he will not? But thousands have. The member of what family in this neighboring town wants to see the father besotted and the income, scanty enough in these days of high prices, squandered while the wife and the little ones are in want for food and decent clothing? This won't be the way in your case? But it has been the way in thousands of cases.

On the material side there is everything against the opening of saloons in the oil fields. The increased danger to life and property in a business which is regarded as hazardous for the most clear-headed must be taken into consideration. It must also be remembered by those who expect to make money out of the sale of intoxicants in Electra that at the best time will be short in which to dispose of their wares, always taking it for granted that statutory prohibition is on the way—and it is.

The third hazard in this matter of voting a good town wet is also worth regarding. The government is considering establishing certain landing stations for aviators from Wichita Falls. One little landing station and one little private to guard it, or half a dozen mechanics to go over the airplane engine, stationed in Electra would make the said town. We understand, come under the provisions of the ten mile spole law. Then the expense of moving the stores of liquor to Electra, would indeed prove it have been a "dead" expense.

But even if statutory prohibition were not "in the wind," even if the bill fails to do prevent many dangers in the great ether, woe, even if there was an ill-fated of the local aviation camp, establishing landing stations in these towns, thus disrupting the plans of such men as did open saloons there—even if these things



Uncle Sam as the grocery boy is meeting with great success. It took just two hours for the vegetables shown in the picture above to be conveyed, by parcel post from the farm to the purchaser.

There was not, yet The Times feels that there would be no cause for uneasiness, as to the action of the people in this precinct when it comes to an election. They have said before this, and when Wichita Falls had liquor as an "attraction" to the trade which they wished to hold, that they wanted no liquor there. Hence there is very little danger, now that Wichita Falls will have no saloons, that it will be out-tanked by our sister towns.

BUSINESS LEAGUE IS ORGANIZED TO BOOST IOWA PARK

A. C. Golden Chosen President and Jack Stevens Secretary. Special to The Times. Iowa Park, Tex., March 12.—In the men's class room at the First Methodist church last night the Iowa Park Business League was organized with officers as follows: A. C. Golden, president; E. B. Burge, vice president; Jack Stevens, secretary; E. C. Knox, treasurer. An executive board composed of Reeves Overbey, Tom Corridon and J. C. Hines was named by President Golden.

A committee composed of E. B. Burge, W. R. Arnold and E. C. Knox was empowered to draft by-laws and constitution, with instructions to report at the next meeting, which will be next Monday evening. A finance committee to be composed of every business man in Iowa Park who is a member of the Iowa Park Business League was created by unanimous consent. The dues were placed at \$1 per month. J. C. Hines was made chairman, and E. B. Burge secretary to the finance committee.

Those present at the meeting were: A. C. Golden, E. B. Burge, Tom Mitchell, W. R. Arnold, J. C. Hines, Scott Ralston, E. B. Burge, W. W. Overbey, J. T. Overbey, Reeves Overbey, M. L. McKelvey, Claude Reeves, R. L. Morse, Will Delteta, Tom Corridon, E. C. Knox, M. B. Cain and Jack Stevens.

HORNSBY COMPANY INCREASES REWARD TO GET BURGLARS

Another \$50 has been added to the reward offered for information leading to the recovery of goods taken from the Hornsby Heavy Hardware Company's store last week, and a reward of \$100 offered for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the burglars. The total reward now is \$150 for recovery of the goods and \$50 for information leading to arrest and conviction of the burglars. No clue as to the whereabouts of the goods or the burglars has been discovered, although every agency is being employed to secure such information. The following articles were taken from the store: A Little Giant & P. E. Wells screw plates. Large quantity of AC, Viking, Master & Bull Dog spark plugs. 2 sets bolt torches. Large quantity of drill bits, threading taps. About 75 dozen 5 and 8" Star hack saw blades. Saw sets, ratchet wrenches, adjustable alligator wrenches. 26 Red Pullman tubes, 2x3, and larger. 36 Pullman auto tires, 28x3 and larger. Wood chisels, made by James Swains Co. Hand cold chisels and punches.

ALL FALL RIVER MILLS CONTINUE OPERATIONS

Fall River, Mass., Mar. 13.—All the cotton mills in Fall River operated today under normal conditions, firemen who had been on strike for two days, returning under an agreement by which the differences with the owners were adjusted last night.

MRS. GUY WILSON BADLY INJURED IN AUTOMOBILE SMASH

CARS COLLIDE AT BLUFF AND TENTH STREET; ARREST IS MADE. Boy, in Car With Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, is Thrown Over Terrace and Into Front Yard.

Seriously injured but with a chance of recovery is the substance of the physician's report today on the condition of Mrs. Guy Wilson, who was carried from a Ford car at the corner of Tenth and Bluff streets at 11 o'clock Monday night when the roadster in which she, her husband and brother were riding was struck by a speeding Marmon, driven by R. J. Ryan, knocked a distance of sixty feet and smashed against the curb. Mrs. Wilson was bruised and Ernest Carrington, who was thrown over the terrace and into the front yard of F. C. Barron, cut and bruised.

The driver, who was driving the Marmon, was bleeding under arrest and this morning he made \$500 bond, pending his hearing on a charge of reckless driving. The released car has been set for March 15 in Judge Jones court. Condition Serious. According to reports received from the General Hospital today, the extent of Mrs. Wilson's injuries has not been fully determined, but as the day advanced hope that she would recover was strengthened. She is suffering from serious bruises about head and face, while the flesh of one limb below the knee was seriously torn. In addition, she is suffering from a severe case of pneumonia, which she contracted from an attack of pneumonia, was bruised but was able to be out today, while Ernest Carrington, brother of Mrs. Wilson, was bruised and cut about the face and head, but not seriously.

According to reports, the Wilsons sought to cross the street at its intersection with Bluff. The Marmon roadster said to have been going down Tenth street at a lively pace, crashed into the curb, hurled it fully sixty feet, by measurement, down the paving, and turning it completely about. It finally crashed into the curb and up on the terrace.

All three occupants were hurled from the car, Mrs. Wilson being found lying on the sidewalk near the center of the street, hurling it fully sixty feet, by measurement, down the paving, and turning it completely about. It finally crashed into the curb and up on the terrace.

MRS. W. F. CARTER ASSURED THAT THERE IS NO DANGER FROM BITE

Mrs. W. F. Carter, who was bitten by a stray cat last week, has received word from the health officer that she is safe from rabies. The cat was shot, and the head of the cat was sent to whom the head of the cat was sent, has failed to discover any traces of rabies. Mrs. Carter had known of the cat for several days and when she expectedly showed signs of rabies, several children, feared that it might have become maddened and sent the head for investigation.

LINER GOES ON SAND BUT IS NOT DAMAGED

New York, Mar. 13.—The Bay State Line steamship Georgia, carrying about 100 passengers from New England points, ran onto a sandy beach in a cove in the East River during a heavy fog early today. No one was injured and the captain reported that the vessel was not damaged.

LIONS CLUB NOT OPPOSED TO ZONE RULES UPON MAIL

REPORT FOR COMMITTEE IS MADE TO ORGANIZATION BY W. B. HAMILTON. The Lions Club at its weekly luncheon today adopted the report of a special committee against sending a proposal to Texas representatives against the zone postal charge regulations for second class mail matter under the new revenue bill. On the other hand, the secretary was instructed to forward petition of the action of the club to the congressmen.

Hamilton Makes Report. The report for the committee was presented by W. B. Hamilton, who gave instructive facts in connection with the matter in a most logical and convincing manner. He showed that Thursday's hearing, the other quarter of zone regulations, the postage collected from second class mail would fall many millions of dollars short of the expenses to the government in handling it. He said that the postal department now estimated this shortage at \$80,000,000 per year and that \$4,000,000 of this was incurred in handling the publications of one house alone, amounting in effect to a subsidy of that amount to one corporation.

The report was adopted without a dissenting vote and a vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Hamilton for his instructive presentation of the matter. On a vote of the club, G. D. Anderson, a member, was invited to discuss fire rates and fire hazards at the meeting next week. The invitation was extended to the other quarter of the hazard of shingle roofs had been brought to the attention of the club. A twenty-five cent luncheon was served today at the other quarter of the usual fifty cent charge going to the purchase of thrift stamps, each member being presented with a twenty-five cent stamp.

W. W. HUMPHRIS WILL BE CANDIDATE FOR CONSTABLE PRECINCT 1

The Times has been authorized to make announcement of the candidacy of W. W. Humphris for constable in Precinct 1. Mr. Humphris needs no introduction to the other quarter of this section for he has been a resident of the county practically all the time since 1886. He has lived nearly all of this time on a farm and has high repute as a man of integrity and as a good citizen. He served two years as deputy sheriff several years ago and has a record as a good and honest officer. Mr. Humphris says that if elected constable he will play no favorites in the enforcement of the law and in discharging the civil duties of his office. He will treat all fairly and alike. His record has been such that the voters of the precinct will be warranted in placing every confidence in him.

RELIGIOUS CENSUS TAKEN BUT RESULT IS NOT COMPILED

With the exception of figures for the First Methodist church, south, the distributing committee can supply no definite definite figures for publication in regard to the results of the religious census of the city taken Tuesday morning. The twenty-five hundred and ten is the number reported to be either members of the Sunday School or church or to have a preference for the First Methodist church, south, and the remainder of about 300 houses visited were not at home on Tuesday, thus leaving the report incomplete.

President Wilson Is In Favor of Uniting Presbyterian Churches

Atlanta City, N. J., Mar. 13.—A letter from President Wilson urging a union of the forces of Presbyterianism in the United States was to be read here tonight before the commission on the union of the Presbyterian church south. The two bodies represent approximately 4,000,000 communicants, three million of whom are members of the northern church.

NO REST FOR HUNS GIVEN BY GUNNERS OF AMERICAN ARMY

IN ADDITION RAIDS ON POSITIONS FOLLOW IN RAPID SUCCESSION.

The war situation of today is summarized by the Associated Press as follows: In the Woivre and in Lorraine the American troops are giving the Germans little rest and raids into the enemy positions are being carried out successfully. The artillery, especially in the Toul sector, also has been active. South of Richcourt, on the Toul sector, General Pershing's men penetrated to the second German line in a raid Tuesday. Casualties were inflicted on the enemy by shell and rifle fire. The raids in this sector began Saturday and probably are in answer to German activities which had indicated the enemy was preparing for a movement against the American lines. The artillery activity on this sector has been most intense, the American gunners causing fires and explosions behind the enemy lines.

Pay Another Call. The American troops east of Lunenburg, in Lorraine, which places them very near the Franco-German border, went into the German positions Monday and found that the enemy had not yet returned to the trenches by evading them before. Despite German artillery fire against them, the raiders came back to their own lines without a casualty. On the line between Armentieres and Bapaume, which has not changed in eighteen months, the Germans continue their powerful raids. Their latest effort was made against Portuguese troops by machine gun fire which caused heavy casualties and left prisoners in the hands of the Portuguese. British troops repulsed a small raid in the Ypres area, where the enemy artillery fire is intense. On the French front the bombardment has been most violent in Champagne, especially east of Rheims.

Aerial Fighting. In aerial fighting French and British machines have accounted for 21 enemy airplanes, while French gunners have destroyed three others. In addition to attacking military targets close behind the German lines, British airmen have bombed the city of Coblenz on the Rhine, in daylight. A ton of bombs were dropped, causing two fires and a violent explosion. The Bolsheviki government has removed to Moscow where the all-Russian congress of soviets will meet Thursday to take action on the new peace treaty. In Petrograd two committees are preparing to take over the government. One is headed by Trotsky, dismissed by Premier Lenin as foreign minister, and the other by Zinovieff, chairman of the delegation which assented to the German peace terms.

Driven Over Border. In eastern Siberia, General Semenov, the anti-Bolsheviki leader, has been driven across the border into Manchuria by Bolsheviki troops aided by released German prisoners. China has warned the Bolsheviki against infractions of her neutrality in Manchuria. German airships have raided the coast of Yorkshire in eastern England and have dropped bombs. What damage the raiders did has not yet been reported. One hundred persons were killed and seventy were injured as a result of the German raid on Paris Monday night. Of the dead sixty six were suffocated in a panic in the subway.

Hundreds of Towns Should Be Destroyed Advises Hun Paper

By Associated Press. Amsterdam, Feb. 25. (By Mail).—Destruction of four hundred English towns by German airships is demanded by the Berlin Tages Zeitung, "as a reprisal" for the action of the allies in confiscating four hundred German merchant ships. The article on the subject the paper adds: "If we are in a position to destroy the whole of London it would be more reasonable to do so than to allow a more German to bleed to death on the battle field. To hesitate or to surrender ourselves to feelings of pity would be unpardonable."

State Tax Feature Ruled Out of Bill Governing Railways

By Associated Press. Washington, March 13.—Vice President Marshall ruled today in the senate in considering the conference report on the administration railroad bill that the senate and house conference had exceeded their authority in adopting a provision limiting the right of states to tax the railroads during the period of federal control. A new Senate rule prohibiting insertion of new matter by conferees was invoked and the vice president sustained a point of order by Senator Frelinghuysen of New Jersey against the tax feature.

ARCHIBALD ROOSEVELT WOUNDED IN ACTION

New York, Mar. 13.—Archibald Roosevelt, a son of Theodore Roosevelt, has been wounded in action with the American forces in France. A cablegram was received today at the colonel's office here. Young Roosevelt is a captain. The message came from Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., a major with the American expeditionary troops. It reads: "Archibald wounded by shrapnel slightly in leg. Arm broken but not badly. No danger. Ted." "I am as proud of my four boys as can be. Colonel Roosevelt was called when informed by his secretary, Miss Josephine Stryker, over the telephone at his home in Oyster Bay, where the former president is recuperating from his recent illness. "As long as Archie was not killed, everything is all right."

PRIMARIES BILL IS PRESENTED TO REPRESENTATIVES

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Continuing, President Wilson says in his letter: "The Democratic party is so clearly committed to the principle of woman's suffrage that I feel it my duty as the leader of the party to urge this action by the legislature. And it is also my own personal conviction in this matter and urge such action on its merits. I sincerely hope that the measure will become a law."

These telegrams were read from Houston business men protesting against the abolishment of the state purchasing agency's department. A petition was read from citizens of Young county endorsing the proposition to hold the primaries earlier than July and one was read from Falls county protesting against amending the Terrell Election Law. Senator Dean introduced two bills, one providing for uniform weights and one providing for the other providing for standard grades and packs in the shipment of various garden products. The Senate passed finally today the bill providing for the creation of conservation and reclamation districts, to be known as levee improvement districts. This bill, while it differs from the Tillson House bill, is also designed to put into operation the reclamation and conservation amendment to the constitution.

Frank Nicholson to Be Given Treatment in St. Louis Hospital

From Wednesday's Daily. Dr. C. M. Nicholson, 30 years surgeon in a hospital in St. Louis, now in the city for several days returned to his home accompanied by his nephew, Frank Nicholson, who sustained a badly broken leg when knocked down by an automobile about a year ago. The bone never reunited and after several X-ray examinations, Dr. Nicholson operated upon it about six months ago. The bone still did not make the correct angle toward recovery, and Dr. Nicholson returned to examine its condition more fully and decided to give treatment in the hospital in St. Louis. "Frank Nicholson is well known in the city, being a general favorite among his friends and school mates."

Three New Officers Are at Call Field To Take Up Duties

From Wednesday's Daily. Three new officers have reported at Call Field for duty: Second Lieutenant James S. Downum and Ray W. Parsons come from Georgia Institute of Technology and Second Lieutenant Oscar Murray comes from the Ohio State University.

England Criticised For Continued Use Of Grain By Brewers

By Associated Press. London, Mar. 12.—Criticism of the continued use of grain for brewing and malting was made in the House of Commons today by the Right Honorable Lieftinck Jones and others. John R. Clynes, parliamentary secretary of the food control board, in reply said that having regard among other considerations, for the food situation and opinion in America, the government, while maintaining a supply of barley heavy manual workers, intended to reduce immediately the tonnage to be used for brewing material. One hundred and fifty thousand tons of barley were taken from brewers and malsters on March 1 and a further 300,000 tons would be saved yearly by restricting the standard of barleymalt and using substitutes which are vastly more economical.

SENAE MILITARY COMMITTEE HEARS FROM LUMBERMEN

By Associated Press. Washington, Mar. 13.—The Senate Military Committee today heard a delegation of lumbermen who are opposing a war department bill authorizing the president to commandeer lumber and timber for the army, navy and shipping board.

FARMER MIDDLEWEIGHT CHAMPION IS IDLE. New York, Mar. 13.—Mike Donovan, former middleweight champion of America, is dangerously ill in a Bronx hospital. Donovan is suffering from pneumonia. Several months ago he was engaged in recruiting work. NINETEEN ENTENTE PLANES ARE REPORTED BROUGHT DOWN. Berlin, Mar. 13. (By London).—Nineteen entente airplanes were brought down by the Germans on the Franco-Belgian front yesterday, army headquarters announced today. WANTED.—Man with family to work on farm. Good river farm to rent. Ed. Foster, Iowa Park, Tex. 1tc. FORDS.—At top old price. Five passenger cars \$250.00. Roadsters \$250.00. Oil held burgs up Ford \$250. Clark Implement Co.

Under the German Heel

By Brand Whitlock

KING'S SPEECH

I was awakened suddenly out of a sound sleep by a light, apologetic and yet insistent knock at my door. It was six o'clock on Saturday, the last day of August. I got up, dressed, and found that I had been disturbed by the sound of a motor. I turned on the light and saw that the rough blue linen pantaloons and the little bonnet of police. He stood attention, his hands on his hips. "C'est la guerre, Excellence." ("It is war, your Excellency.")

"The words, of course, were superficial. One standing there ready to depart was the first living symbol of the things we had feared for a week. He was in a hurry; he had to get to work, report, and go to sleep at once. I finished through my clothes, gave him all the money I had, while he told me the latest news; the Germans had invaded the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg and were throwing down the bridges. I told him I might have him executed, but no.

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"At the Legation there were crowds of Americans in panic. What to do? Well, one thing at a time, movement, rest, and try to please, to reassure. How many days, how many nights, it was to be my lot to do that when my own heart was sinking! It was late in the evening the others came in from the country; too late to dine at the Legation and we went down to the restaurant de la Monnaie. The dim familiar streets seemed strangely deserted almost palpably and fearfully stalked through them. There were not many in the restaurant; near us at a little table set a man with the features of a soldier, sitting, looking at his newspaper, with dark looks of preoccupation and concern. Beside him, his wife, a buxom Brussels girl, leaning back, waiting until her lord should flash reading the despatches, one of these calm scenes of Brussels domesticity, somewhat reassuring by its mere normality. I remember too, that we were greatly surprised when our money was taken without question, for the restaurants were refusing all money except gold.

"I was late in the evening, a copy of Le Petit Bleu, which men were bearing crying in the rue d'Arenberg at the entrance to the Galerie du Roi. It had articles against Germany, and across its first page was the headline in American style "Honte à la Barbarie" ("Shame on Barbarity").

"Germany had declared war on Russia, and had been mobilizing the whole world was mobilizing, France, England and Belgium, and declarations of war had become mere formalities. France had been assassinated at Paris. There was a rumor that Caillaux had been killed; the world was tumbling in ruins about us.

"It was on the following day, Sunday, that Mr. von Below delivered Germany's ultimatum to Belgium; he handed it to Mr. Davignon at seven o'clock in the evening. Until the last minute there had been the repeated assurances that his government would respect the neutrality of Belgium, and to the Belgian ministers the summons to join the German troops came as a blow that was not diminished in its force by the fact that it was unexpected. It seemed indeed that it was in the midst of those tremendous events that were tumbling each moment into the horrid chaos of the world, to be telegraphed to the Belgian ministers and others out of that room where we labored that room which was so hot so still, throbbing with the excitement that thrilled the nerves of the world. It was Sunday, but with no Sabbath calm; the only reminder indeed of the day was that someone had telegraphed for peace had been said in all the churches. We heard too, to hear the first of those rumors in which war is so prolific but we had little time to pay attention to them because all our strength, all our attention was absorbed by the crowds of Americans that filled the

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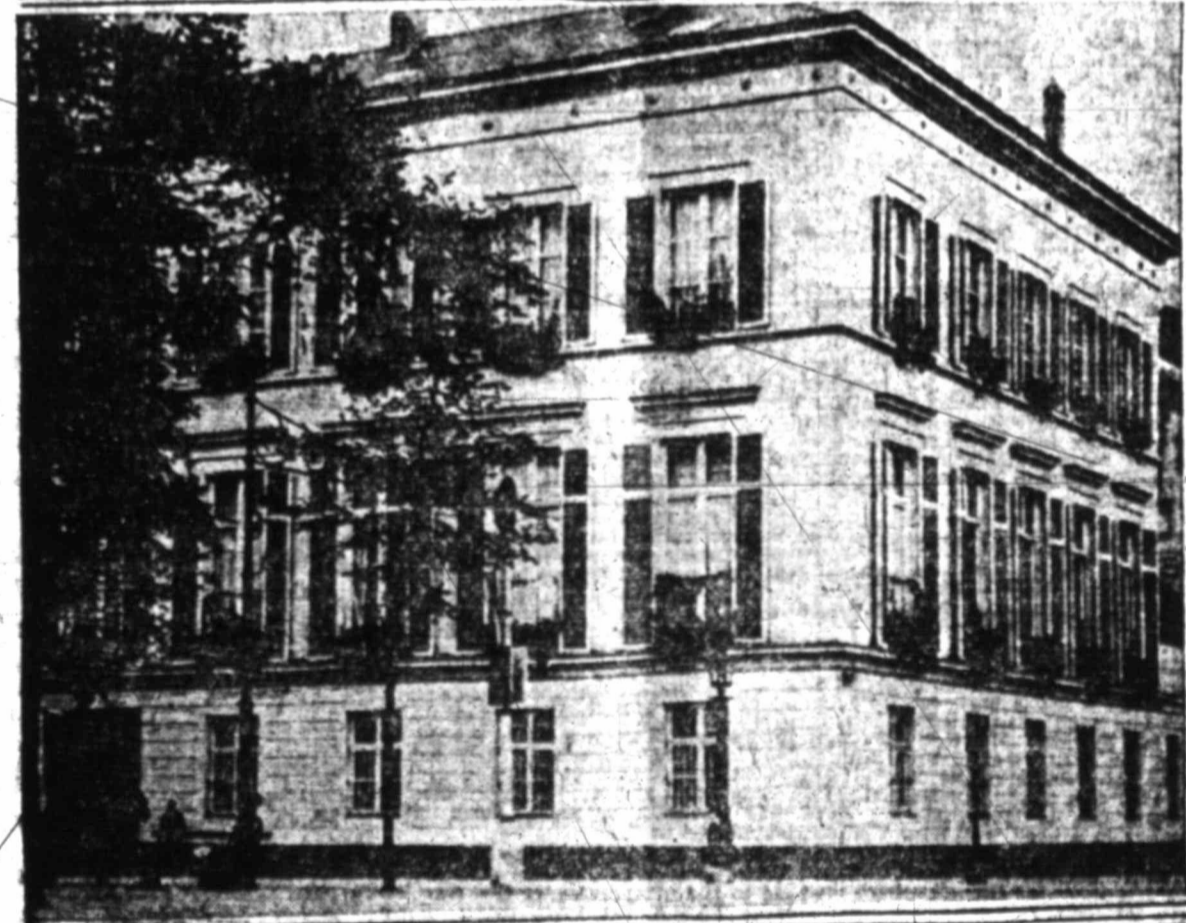
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Queen went by first in a landau, with the three royal children, proceeded by the piers to the Cour. The King, booted and spurred, mounted on his big bay, came after with his staff and the escadron Marie-Henriette in their green tunics and grey busbies as guards of honor. The crowds were wild with enthusiasm.

At ten o'clock Mr. Gibson and I drove to the National Palace. Sir Francis Villiers drove in his motor just as we arrived, and I entered with him and we went slowly up the red-carpeted staircase together to the diplomatic gallery. Sir Francis heavy with care. The Salle des Seances presented a scene one would not soon forget. All around the galleries were crowded, the wives of the ministers seated, quietly waiting, others in excited groups, discussing the ultimatum of last night and the invasion of the land. The Duc d'Issel was there in uniform of the Guides. The ministers, after their sleepless nights, were on their benches, the Baron de Brocqueville, Messrs. Davignon, Coridon de Wiart, Hymans, the new liberal Minister d'Etat, and Vanderlinden, the new socialist ministre d'Etat, receiving congratulations. The hall is a

ELECTRA WINNER OF CHAMPIONSHIP IN BASKET BALL

INTER-SCHOLASTIC CONTESTS BETWEEN HIGH SCHOOLS NOW UNDER WAY

The annual inter-scholastic contests between the high schools of the state are now under way, the championship of this district in basketball having already been won by Electra high school. The final contest in this district in basketball was staged between the Electra and Wichita Falls teams at Electra Friday afternoon, the Electra team winning by a score of 33 to 2.

An Undeclared Yank

The Electra basketball team has not been defeated this season. Practice work in track, tennis and other phases of the athletic work is being carried on preparatory to the other contests of the season, a field day being in prospect for early in April.

In addition to the athletic work, an essay writing contest will be engaged in, every high school pupil in the state being required to write an account of a humorous personal incident. The best of the papers to be turned over to state officials for final grading. This year is the first time the local school has taken any great part in the essay contest, the participants being limited to athletic and debating work.

Inter-Class Contests

In connection with the athletic work, the local athletic council is planning inter-class contests in tennis, baseball, track, and volleyball for the boys of all classes. The girls will have some part in the track work. The contests will be staged soon, all plans being well under way.

Patrons of the National Bank of Commerce find the transaction of their banking business a real pleasure because of the prompt, careful and courteous attention which they receive.

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GERMAN POLICY ON EAST FRONT WORTH WATCHING

LONDONERS ANXIOUS FOR JAPAN TO TAKE DEFINITE STAND IN SIBERIA.

By K. Walter. London, March 13.—The success of the mailed fist in the East is already having greater consequences than its immediate effect on the military situation in Western Europe and Asia Minor. Its military consequences had been discounted months ago. The political results of the political abuse of military power in Russia and Roumania may be colossal. Eastern Europe is in the power of the Hun. Let us see to what this may lead if by any chance the Hun and the Allies should be too slow in coming to the rescue of the new Slav democracies.

To Cancel All Treaties. London is just as decided as Washington that the final settlement with Prussia shall cancel all those barbarous peace treaties which the Kaiser is forcing upon his crippled enemies in the East. But meanwhile Kultur will have its way. Impressionable millions who are too distracted by civil war to maintain a common resistance. The question is, how long will it take the Hun to subjugate the Slav to his military ambitions and will the Anglo-Saxon-Latin deliverer arrive in time to prevent this consummation? In other words, can we beat Germany in time to prevent her from cultivating the immense fields she has conquered? No doubt she is sowing trouble for herself in those fields, but Allied statesmen cannot count on this crop any more than they can count on the fruits of tyranny in Germany.

Arouses Distrust. If the brutality of the German policy in Russia, Russia's England's sympathy for all that is loyal to Democracy in Russia, it has also aroused distrust of all that might be disloyal to Democracy and subservient to German imperialism. Not all the anti-Bolsheviks are pro-Allies; and even those who are may have to face the desperate alternatives of continuing anarchy or the Prussian restoration in order: Germany will see to it that there is sufficient disorder to force this dilemma upon them. This opens up international prospects which make it imperative to put all speed into every branch of work contributing to the defeat of Germany, particularly into the building of ships, upon which the whole of Europe's present depends, and meanwhile that every precaution should be taken within reach of Allied statesmen against the establishment of Prussian military power in an empire embracing her present vassals and the greater part of Russia.

Japan-American Agreement. With these thoughts in their minds, Londoners have been reading with particular interest the various hints of Japanese-American agreement which have been coming from Washington. Great Britain's Japan's oldest European ally and there are other bonds of sympathy between the two peoples which can be gathered by a glance at the map. For this reason, and because of the enormous possible consequences of the decision, England has been taking great satisfaction in American opinions favorable to the intervention in Japan in Siberia. We have not heard a single adverse view of this proposal in London. Even among those who in past times regarded Japanese expansion as the yellow peril preached as assiduously by Germany, the view is taken that a diversion of the Japanese policy in the North will help to remove forever the danger of a clash in the Pacific. Supposing even that Japanese intervention entailed an expansion toward the West to such an extent that they came into contact with the hypothetical "Caucasian" of Slav and Teuton, this, at worst, would lead to a racial war from which Western Europe and America could stand aside. But of course nobody wants such a war. Defeat Germany now, frustrate her plans for dominating the world with the Slav armies of her conquered and vassal peoples, and bring democracy in the way to maintain the peace of the world.

THE CITY OF MIRTH AND MOURNING

By George T. Bye. Paris (via London) March 13.—In a great many ways the Yankees in Paris are helping to raise and powder the allied but plumed of this exquisite capital of the French. Paris doesn't want to be sad or worried—that wouldn't be Parisian. But this has gone on for more than three years and always with pounding German guns only a few miles away. Lines of beggary were surely being showing by this time but for cosmetic relief in the way of American smiles, jokes, money—and promises. Cafes that hang out signs to the effect that "English is spoken here" do a thriving business with our boys because a French menu is of course a bewildering thing to anyone but a French chef. A waiter who can

JAPANESE PROVEN HONEST AS ALLY DECLARES PAPER

LONDON DAILY TELEGRAPH STRONGLY SUPPORTS INTERVENTION PROPOSAL

By Associated Press. London, Mar. 12.—Concerning doubts expressed in some quarters on the subject of Japanese intervention in Siberia, the Daily Telegraph says that Japan is a British ally of 12 years standing and during all that time she has, apart from the services rendered to the allied cause in the course of the war, shown herself an honorable and trustworthy associate. The paper continues: "The overwhelmingly strong interest of Japan in this part of the world, is of course, apparent from a glance at the map. Japan is a highly organized trading nation and is directly interested in maintenance of general peace and order in lands where her economic relations are close and which are supremely important to her welfare. That was fully recognized by Great Britain in the treaty of 1905."

"Whatever the Siberian republic may turn out to be when we know anything of it, we may at least be sure that Germany reckons upon dominating all other fragments of the shattered Russian empire. Germany is at this moment pursuing a plan of world conquest to which particular and unmistakable character has been given by the developments of the war in Europe."

"If the triumph of our enemy's influence is to be guarded against in the region where Japanese and other allied interests are especially strong, the sooner the business is undertaken the better. There is no sense or justice in permitting chaos and helplessness in Russia to be turned to the advantage of the enemy if it can be prevented. If such action as was taken in Manchuria should ultimately be the means of reestablishing a national authority with constitutional character and in which the forces of sanity and order, then a priceless benefit would be conferred on the Russian people."

Question of Protection. "The question at present is one of legal and necessary protection of threatened national interests. In a situation without parallel and in which the ordinary formulae of international action are meaningless, the principal care of allied statesmanship as a whole will be while allowing a patient to be guided by the logic of events as they arise, to divest whatever is done of any color of aggressive or annexationist intentions."

Baron Blytswood Dies At Douglas Support; Served in Colonies

London, Mar. 13.—Baron Blytswood, lieutenant governor of Guernsey, Alderney and dependencies from 1904 to 1908 died yesterday at Douglas Support, Lankshire. Barrington B. Douglas Campbell, third son of Blytswood was born in 1845 and succeeded to the title in 1916. He was former commander of the Scots Guards and served in Egypt and South Africa. He became a major general in 1898 and was a K. C. R. and C. V. O. His heir is the Honorable Archibald Douglas Campbell, a captain in the Scots Guards.

War Garden Expert Visiting Schools With Miss Oliver

From Wednesday's Daily. Miss John Lucy Manning, agricultural specialist from the extension department of A. and M. in the city and accompanied by the local food demonstrator, spent the day boosting war gardens in the schools at Holiday. Miss Manning will supplement the work already done by Miss Oliver visiting at many schools in the county as possible during her two day's stay in the city.

Farabee Oil Company's No. 2 Peter Ramming Increases Its Flow

After a shot the Farabee Oil Company's No. 2 Peter Ramming which had been a small producer from the 1700-foot sand is reported to be making 240 barrels. The Itex Oil Company has a fifty barrel flow natural in its Peter Ramming No. 2 also from the 1700 foot sand. The Magnolia Petroleum Co. is reported to have brought in a good well near Walters, Oklahoma, from a sand at 2100 feet. W. E. Norton and W. J. McAllister left this afternoon for Ranger where they have interests.

LIEUT. LESLIE CHANDLER BURIED AT SAN ANTONIO

Chicago, Mar. 13.—The late Lieut. Leslie Chandler, army aviator killed in an airplane accident at San Antonio, Texas, was buried here today.

1500 Tractor Outfits to Help The French Grow More Food

TYPE OF TRACTOR SENT AHEAD BY U.S. FOOD ADMINISTRATION

American tractors—1500 of them—sent by the U. S. Food Administration, will begin to arrive in France. When spring comes they will be in the field. They will help the French to grow 2,000,000 more tons of food. The idea of reinforcing the waning agricultural strength of France with American tractors originated with Henry Morgenthau, Jr. The Food Administration has designated Henry Morgenthau, Jr. to follow the machines to France and put them in operation. The first 100 tractors were sent to France on the deck of a naval transport and the entire number will reach there in plenty of time for spring plowing.

The tractors will operate mainly in the battle-scarred portion of northern France which has been re-taken from the Germans. There property lines have been largely obliterated. The tractors will be able to work most effectively. Thus in a few months food crops, especially wheat, will be able to follow the machine plowed by American tractors—battle lines.

Further reports from merchants who have adopted the cash and carry system show that the plan is being well continued to be pleased. Where customers have been lost because of discontinuance of charge accounts new ones have been gained to more than offset the loss, it was reported. The members present at the Tuesday meeting: Mrs. C. J. C. McDowell, chairman; Mrs. M. M. Gaffney, T. B. Smock, F. M. Gates and C. L. Fong. Changes were made in the price quotations of two commodities only. Potatoes were lower falling from \$2.15 to \$2.25. \$1.85 per bushel and a reduction of 1 cent per pound, retail. Ham was raised a half cent a pound, wholesale, the retail price being unchanged.

Clearing House Will Be Established Soon For Railway Moneys

By Associated Press. Washington, March 12.—One of the first acts of the railroad administration after enactment of the pending railroad bill will be to create a financial clearing house to facilitate the government compensation of companies on the basis of the average annual net income of the last three years, provided by the bill. This clearing house method, it was explained today at offices of Director General McAdoo, will enable roads to use directly most of their receipts for ordinary expenses and to turn over to the government fund each month only the surplus of income over the amount of the government guarantee. On the other hand, roads whose actual income is less than the guarantee will receive credit from the government. The system is expected to result in the actual transfer of comparatively small sums. Director General McAdoo probably will appoint a railroad administration treasurer to handle the funds.

Merchants and Miners Liner Calls For Help; Ashore off New England

By Associated Press. An Atlantic City, Mar. 13.—The steamer Kerawah of the Merchants and Miners Line, with more than 100 passengers aboard sent out a call for help today and reported that she was grounded off the southern New England coast. Tugs were sent to her assistance. The coast guards are rigging up a breeches buoy in order to take the passengers off. The vessel went ashore during a heavy fog.

AUSTRALIAN TROOPS MAKE SUCCESSFUL RAID

By Associated Press. London, March 12.—Australian troops carried out successful raids during the night upon hostile posts east and northeast of Messines, says today's war office report. "A number of Germans were killed and a few prisoners were taken by us. Our casualties were light."

Active Preparation For Aerial Defenses Upon Coast Is Made

Washington, Mar. 13.—Active preparations for strengthening the aerial defenses of the Atlantic seaboard were begun today by the war department with the appointment today of an army board to select sites along the Atlantic coast for aero squadrons and balloon companies. Major Norman W. Peck of the signal corps was named to head a board to meet at Charleston, S. C. Fort Totten, N. Y., and Boston. Commanders of the south Atlantic, middle Atlantic and north Atlantic coast artillery districts will name an additional officer to sit with the board while it is considering the needs of each district.

SOME OF PRICES OF FOOD TUMBLE, SUBS ON WAY

MIXTURE OF CORN, WHEAT AND RICE FLOUR MOST SATISFACTORY

CORN FLOUR IS ON HAND

Shipments of Rice and Barley Flours Are Also Expected to Be On Way to Local Merchants.

Onions are another commodity where prices have taken a tumble recently and large quantities of the very best quality are reported on the market. Housewives are advised to use as many as possible as they are very healthful, especially in spring time. A good supply of wheat flour substitutes was also reported on the local market or enroute. Corn flour is now for sale in the leading grocery stores and wholesalers have cars of barley and rice flour on the way, expected to arrive in a short time. A good supply of fresh rolled oats was also reported. Oats are considered a flour substitute. It was brought out at the meeting while on the subject of substitutes that canned hominy was not to be considered a substitute.

Wheat-Corn-Rice Flour. F. M. Gates of Carrol-Brouh, Robinson and Gates told of experiments conducted with flour substitutes and reported a mixture of 50 per cent wheat flour, 40 corn and 10 rice was found to be the best mixture. Further reports from merchants who have adopted the cash and carry system show that the plan is being well continued to be pleased. Where customers have been lost because of discontinuance of charge accounts new ones have been gained to more than offset the loss, it was reported. The members present at the Tuesday meeting: Mrs. C. J. C. McDowell, chairman; Mrs. M. M. Gaffney, T. B. Smock, F. M. Gates and C. L. Fong. Changes were made in the price quotations of two commodities only. Potatoes were lower falling from \$2.15 to \$2.25. \$1.85 per bushel and a reduction of 1 cent per pound, retail. Ham was raised a half cent a pound, wholesale, the retail price being unchanged.

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Employment Offices Being Organized By Government Agents

By Associated Press. Washington, March 12.—Frederic C. Howe, commissioner of immigration, at Ellis Island, New York and nine other experts in employment matters are visiting different states as representatives of the Department of Labor for the purpose of organizing the federal, state and municipal public employment offices. Among the nineteen states which already have joined this system are Arkansas, Iowa, Kentucky, Missouri, Nebraska and Texas. Ed Parks, who was shot in the shoulder while in a barber shop here last week, is well on the road to recovery.

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COTTON MARKET SHOWS DECLINE AFTER OPENING

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Demand was less active after the close of Liverpool and prices eased off under scattered southern selling, moderate pressure from Wall Street sources and liquidation. May declined to 29.85 and 29.85 with the general list showing net losses of about 15 to 19 points late in the morning. Cotton closed steady.

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For City Marshal: D. D. McIVER, R. L. McDONALD, LENLY HUMPHRIS, FRED K. SMITH

For City Recorder: L. F. WEBB, A. W. HIGH, R. H. (Uncle Bob) WHITWORTH, J. R. (JOE) OGLE

For City Tax Assessor and Collector: H. F. ROBERTSON

For City Attorney: RALPH MATHIS, W. LANDSAY BIBB

For City Clerk: J. W. WALKUP, R. S. DUNNWAY

For Alderman: C. E. McCUTCHEEN, W. H. WALKER, STANLEY CRAWFORD, W. J. CAMERON

For City Health Officer: DR. M. A. BECKMAN, DR. A. L. LANE

For City Engineer: M. M. COOKE

County and District Candidates. All candidates announcing under this heading submit their claims for the office to which they aspire subject to the action of the Democratic Primary to be held in July.

For District Attorney: FLETCHER S. JONES

For District Clerk: A. F. KERR

For County Tax Collector: J. P. JACKSON, H. L. TITTELL, E. S. WHITEHEAD

For County Tax Assessor: T. E. RAGSDALE

For County Clerk: M. P. KELLY, WILL T. HARRIS

For Sheriff: R. L. (BOB) McFALL, G. A. (GEORGE) HAWKINS, FRANK L. BURNS, J. L. HUFFINE

For County Treasurer: T. W. (Tom) McHAM

For County Attorney: JOHN DAVENPORT, ED YARBROUGH

For County Judge: SHIELD HEYSER, W. T. CARLTON

For County Commissioner, Precinct 1: M. K. EMMER, ST. CLAIR SHERROD, JOHN FORE

For Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 1, Place 1: J. P. JONES

For Constable Precinct 1: R. W. GWINN, W. W. HUMPHRIS

For Justice Peace, Precinct Place 2: J. W. (JIM) MOSE, J. W. LEATE, C. J. (DAD) ARRINGTON

INCOME TAX LAW FULLY EXPLAINED BY A. S. WALKER

MAKES CLEAR STATEMENT OF FACTS OF REPORTS WHICH MUST BE FILED. In view of numerous inquiries received at his office and the evident confusion throughout the state as to how income tax reports are to be filed and as to who are liable to the law, A. S. Walker, collector of Internal Revenue, is sending out publicity circulars for the information of the public. He states that although he has received a large number of reports, he estimates that thousands of reports have not been filed, and emphasizing the fact that persons liable to the tax are not to be let off before April 1, will be required to pay a heavy fine.

MORE VACANCIES ARE ANNOUNCED IN CIVIL SERVICE

Among another long list of Civil Service vacancies, special prominence is given to the office of assistant sanitary chemist (male), examination to be held on April 2 with an entrance salary of \$1,600. Vacancies in the civil service department are numerous and cover a wide range of work in many cases offering positions to qualified members of both sexes. A large number of the examinations may be taken at any time, with a few to be taken on specified dates. Persons interested should communicate with the local postmaster for further information. The list of vacancies follows: At any time: Fireman (Male) \$600 to \$720. Assistant Material Engineer (Male) Grade 1 \$4.45 to \$4.96 per day. Assistant Material Engineer (Male) Grade 2 \$5.44 to \$5.92 per day. Assistant Material Engineer (Male) Grade 3 \$6.40 and over per day. Inspector of Stoves and ranges, \$1500. Estate Tax Inspector and Agent (Male) \$5 per day. Automotive Engineer (Male) \$2400 to \$3000. Automotive Body designer, (Male) \$2900 to \$2500. Automotive Draftsman (Male) \$1400 to \$1800. Junior Engineer (Male) \$720 to \$1120. (Civil, electrical, mechanical, signal, structural, telegraph, and telephone). March 20—Laboratory and Field Assistant in Plant Introduction \$1440. March 20 and April 24—Calculating Machine Operator \$900 to \$1200. March 20—Press feeder \$2.20 per day to \$840 per year. March 20—Computer, Bureau of Mines \$1020 to \$1200. March 20—Market Assistant (live stock and meats) (Male) \$1000 to \$1400. March 26—Computer, coast and Geodetic Survey (Male) \$1200. to \$2500. March 26—Vineyard Superintendent (Male) \$1440 to \$1800. March 26—Horticultural Superintendent (Male) \$1440 to \$1800. April 2—Mechanical Draftsman experienced in patent office drawing \$1,000. April 2—Statistical Draftsman \$1200 to \$1600. April 3—Electrotyper-Molder (Male) \$6.20. April 3—Assistant in laboratory cookery studies (Female) \$1000 to \$1200. April 1—Assistant Sanitary Chemist (Male) \$1600. Note: When not otherwise specified, positions are open to both men and women, and salaries for one year.

United States Will Seek Sovereignty For Russia Following War

By Associated Press. Washington, March 12.—President Wilson a message to the Congress of Soviets, made public today, assures the people of Russia that the United States "will avail itself of every opportunity to secure for Russia once more complete sovereignty and independence and full restoration in the great role in the life of Europe and the modern world."

ALL RUSSIAN CONGRESS POSTPONES ITS MEETING

By Associated Press. Moscow, Monday, Mar. 11.—The All-Russian Congress of Soviets which was called to ratify the peace treaty with Germany has postponed its opening meeting until Thursday March 14.

Don't you think it's a waste of money, energy and quality for a coffee roaster in California to sell roasted coffee in New York and the New York roaster to sell in California? Yet just this is being done every day.

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SUFFRAGE IS EASED IN HOUSE; SENATE PUTS OVER STATE-WIDE BILL

BALLOT FOR WOMEN QUICKLY GRANTED BY BIG MAJORITY

By Associated Press. Austin, Texas, March 15.—The lower house of the legislature today passed under a suspension of rules the bill giving women the right to vote in primary elections and nominating conventions, by a vote of 84 to 34. The bill now goes to the Senate.

Suspension of the rules so as to make possible the final passage of the bill today was accomplished by opponents of the bill voting for suspension so as to get the bill out of the way. A Representative Fry expressed it. The vote to suspend the rules was 96 to 21.

Numerous amendments were voted down. These included one by Representative Spencer which would require separate booths for the women and another by Representative Bryan which would require all women who voted to register fifteen days before the primary. As passed the bill provides for registration in cities of ten thousand or over.

Representative Metcalf, author of the bill, said registration of all women would serve to keep women in the rural districts. Representative Bryan thought that "any woman who appreciated the rights we are about to confer upon them won't object to registering." The vote however overwhelmingly favored the amendment.

Just before the final vote on the bill was taken Representative Thompson of Red River, sent up an amendment which would give a "free" member of the House be given a dress and a bonnet immediately after the passage of the measure. Speaker Fuller declined this amendment out of order.

Before the bill was engrossed Representative O'Brien offered an amendment to strike out the enacting clause of the bill. Since this amendment would have killed the bill the vote on it was almost the same as that cast on final passage, it being lost 33 to 63.

Supporting the amendment O'Brien said that it would require women to invest in government short time certificates of indebtedness. The measure would authorize deputy sheriffs, wardens, special deputy sheriffs and special police not receiving over \$40 a month remuneration from carrying pistols also engaged.

George J. Keenan, new member from Guadalupe took the oath of office.

Made Special Order. The woman suffrage bill was made a special order and taken up by the House at ten o'clock today.

Representative Spradley offered an amendment that would require women who vote to pay poll tax after 1918. At this point debate was shut off by the ordering of the previous question.

Representative Thompson of El Paso charged that "steam roller tactics" were being used to force the bill through. Thompson said he was a strong advocate of suffrage but was "opposed to steam roller tactics" at any time.

The motion ordering the previous question then was reconsidered and the Spradley amendment was tabled by a vote of 63 to 54.

An amendment by Representative Metcalf providing that it should be necessary for tax collectors to certify a list of the women voters to election boards except in cities of ten thousand or over was adopted.

An amendment by Representative Walker which would prohibit all but women born in Texas from voting also was rejected.

At the conclusion of the executive session it was announced that the appointment of Curtis Hancock had been confirmed.

Senate committee on criminal jurisprudence today reported unfavorably on the bill by Senator Caldwell making it a felony to steal a chicken or other bird or fowl. This committee report favorably Senate bill requiring county and city health officers to report venereal diseases and authorizing the quarantining of persons afflicted with such diseases, also favorably on Senate bills providing punishment for persons contributing to the delinquency of any persons under 17 years of age and amending the suspended sentence law.

PROHIBITION IS GIVEN MAJORITY OF TWO THIRDS

BULLETIN—Austin, Tex., Mar. 15.—The Senate today by a vote of 70 to 29, passed finally the statutory prohibition bill. The vote is practically the same as it was on its engrossment in the Senate last afternoon. The bill now goes to the House for concurrence in the Senate amendments.

The Senate passed finally the Senate bill re-enacting the Allison liquor law which prevents interstate shipment of liquor. The Senate also passed finally the Johnston, of Harris, track removal bill, which affects Houston and Dallas.

McNealus Bill Killed. The Senate spent most of the morning session considering the McNealus senate bill providing that appeals from the Dallas corporation court shall be made direct to the court of criminal appeals.

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GERMANS ASSUME CONTROL OF MUCH RUSS TERRITORY

RATIFICATION OF PEACE TERMS BY CONGRESS MAY CAUSE JAPS TO ACT.

The war situation of today is summarized by The Associated Press as follows: One year ago today Emperor Nicholas abdicated as autocrat of Russia and yesterday the All-Russian congress of soviets by an overwhelming vote approved the Russian revolution.

German militarism takes from the Russian government thousands of square miles of land and millions of inhabitants contained in the former imperial territories of Finland, Poland, Courland, Lithuania, Estonia, Livonia, and the Ukraine in Europe, and Bessarabia and Erivan in the Caucasus. The Russian army must demobilize, the Russian fleet is interned and favorable trade agreements are to be given Germany and her allies.

The Russian revolution has opened the door to the Japanese in the Far East. The Japanese government after four months of rule, has surrendered completely to the demands of Germany and opened up the vast European and Asiatic territories to German economic and military penetration.

The question of Japanese intervention in Siberia has brought from Foreign Secretary Balfour in the British House of Commons, the declaration that he had every confidence in Japan's loyalty in any action it might take in the Far East.

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American troops have made their first permanent advance into the German territory in the British North-east of Baden-villiers in the Lunenburg sector, trenches which the enemy was forced to abandon, have been connected with the American first line. Reports from the front on this sector and the effective work of the American gunners forced the Germans to give up the trenches. German efforts to penetrate the American lines were repulsed by General Pershing's men.

The new position gives the American and French troops higher ground from which to operate against the German lines. Baden-villiers is eight miles west of the German front and is also directly west of Strasbourg, capital of Alsace. The American position is being held by the American first line. Reports from the front on this sector and the effective work of the American gunners forced the Germans to give up the trenches.

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HINDENBURG SAYS THAT ALLIES WON'T HAVE PEACE. Amsterdam, March 15.—According to news received here Field Marshal von Hindenburg has stated in an interview in Berlin that the entente had shown an unresponsive attitude to peace proposals and that the most German offensive therefore must go on.

In well informed neutral quarters recently the Associated Press correspondent was told that the Germans were prepared to lose 300,000 men in an offensive operation.

The Verdun offensive of the Germans in which they failed utterly to break the French line, has been estimated in conservative quarters as having cost them something like 500,000 men.

ENEMY ARTILLERY IS BUSY IN CHAMPAGNE. Paris, Thursday, March 14.—The enemy artillery activity was less violent in the Champagne and in the Vosges, the French war office statement, issued tonight, says. Three German airplanes were destroyed by French pilots.

Reports from the army of the east, dated March 12, show continued artillery activity near Monastir and bombing raids by the allied aviators.

FRENCH GAIN FOOTING IN GERMAN TRENCHES. Berlin, March 15.—A strong French detachment gained a footing yesterday west of the Nauroy road on the German front in the Champagne district, says today's army headquarters announcement.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT IS MADE BY AUSTRILIANS. London, March 15.—An official statement from the Austro-Hungarian war office received here says: "The last narrow stretch of Austro-Hungarian territory occupied by the Rumanians has been evacuated. The eastern boundary of the monarchy after two and a half years of the heaviest war burdens again is completely free."

Italian positions on Monte Pasubio were blown up yesterday by German troops. Our detachments occupied the ruins.

Soviet Ratifies Hun Terms

MRS MARGARET HIRSCH TESTIFIES IN TRIAL UPON CHARGE THAT SHE ATTEMPTED BLACKMAIL CANDLER

By Associated Press. Houston, Texas, March 15.—Mrs. Margaret A. Hirsch, charged with attempted blackmail of Mayor Asa G. Candler, this morning took the witness stand in her own behalf. Her testimony was heard by the jury before starting her statement to the court room was cleared of spectators at her request. Newspaper representatives were excluded.

Mrs. Hirsch was placed on trial yesterday morning and the state rested its case before the adjournment of court for the day. About twenty witnesses have been summoned by the defense, and indications pointed to a vigorous fight in her defense, but it was expected that the taking of testimony will be concluded and the case given to the jury before night.

The testimony of the state witness yesterday was largely a repetition of that given when J. W. Cook, with whom Mrs. Hirsch was indicted jointly, was on trial. Cook was sentenced to serve one year at hard labor and pay a fine of \$1,000. Mayor Candler related in detail the visit of Mrs. Hirsch to his office in February, when Cook entered the mayor's subsequent conference with friends and his decision to take the matter to the grand jury.

The defense was permitted to make a statement as to what they expected to prove. Attorney J. R. Bedford declared they would show no conspiracy of any sort was laid between Mrs. Hirsch and Cook, but on the contrary, the woman was made the victim of threats by Cook to reveal to her husband the details of what he saw in Mayor Candler's office. He said they expected to prove Mr. Candler was strongly attracted to Mrs. Hirsch and used his wealth and prominence to persuade her to come to his office and submit to his advances.

He said that when Cook unexpectedly arrived at Mayor Candler's office and caught Mrs. Hirsch and Mayor Candler in a compromising relation Mayor Candler walked with Mrs. Hirsch to the elevator after Cook had left and requested her to call him on the telephone in a few minutes and when she did call, Forest Adair was put on the wire. He said Mr. Adair induced her to bring up the subject of money and induced her to name a stipulated sum and that she named this sum as a consideration which she felt was due her in view of the fact that she was to be forced to leave the city.

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BOLSHEVIKI CONGRESS FAVORS PEACE TERMS MADE IN GERMANY; RATIFY PACT BY BIG MAJORITY

By Associated Press. Petrograd, Mar. 14.—The All-Russian congress of soviets meeting at Moscow today by a vote of 453 to 30, decided to ratify the peace treaty with the Central Powers.

M. Rykoff, a prominent Bolshevik theorist and representative of all the professional unions, resigned from the Bolshevik party after the vote.

Clears Way For Japan. The action of the all-Russian Congress of soviets in accepting the German peace clearly was for an announcement of allied intentions as regards Japanese intervention in Siberia and gives Germany vast opportunity for political and economic development in the former Russian empire. The decision is the culmination of the peace steps begun by the Bolshevik government last December.

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Little Opposition. Meeting with little opposition the German advance soon marched Petrograd and the Bolshevik government decided to accept Germany's peace terms. Foreign Minister Trotsky refused to go to Brest-Litovsk and Lenin sent Zinoviev, a close follower of his.

The pacifist policy of Premier Lenin brought a break in the Bolshevik ranks and Trotsky resigned sovereignty. This cleavage apparently had no effect on Lenin's mastery of the congress of soviets.

By the peace terms, Russia must give Poland, Courland, Livonia, Estonia and the Ukraine. In Asia Minor the Russians are compelled to retire from Armenia and to cede the Turkish and Russian districts of Baku, Karakum and Erivan.

Must Renounce Claims. Russia must renounce all claims to the occupied territories of the former German and Austria-Hungary to decide the fate of those regions in agreement with their populations. The Russian army must be disbanded. Russia's warships are to be destroyed. More important to the Central Powers is the reopening of navigation in the Black and Baltic Seas and the signing by Russia under conditions of a new commercial treaty with Germany of a most favorable national pact, at least until 1925. The Bolsheviks favor the signing of such a propaganda and agitation within the Central Empires and in occupied territory under their control.

NO OFFICIAL WORD IS RECEIVED AT WASHINGTON. By Associated Press. Washington, March 15.—Aside from press dispatches, Washington had no information today on the decision of the All-Russian congress of soviets at Moscow to ratify the peace terms. Nothing had come either from Ambassador Francis at Volodga, or the American consul general at Moscow. Officials had no means of knowing whether the action was in accordance with the wishes of the government or after receipt of President Wilson's message to the people of Russia promising American aid in obtaining for Russia full independence from German aggression.

Receipt Not Acknowledged. The message was sent March 11 and the congress decided to ratify the peace terms with Germany March 14. Its receipt has not been acknowledged by the American consul general at Moscow, by whom it was to have been acknowledged.

The president's message, when sent, was regarded by officials here as the only move that could be made by the United States in the interest of the Russian people, although a short time ago Ambassador Francis in a statement to the Russian public issued at Volodga said that he had recommended to the United States government that the United States of any government the Russians might set up. To recognize the government that has just concluded a peace on terms considered entirely favorable to Germany it is held, however, might present many embarrassing difficulties.

Japanese May Act. It is believed that ratification of the peace terms will bring an early move by Japan in Siberia. Any move by the Japanese it is believed, would be made chiefly as a means of protection for Japanese and American supplies at Vladivostok. There is no real danger, officials say, of German armies moving that far east, but there is a probability that supplies from Vladivostok might be sent into German hands and then find their way into German hands.

The geographical location of Vladivostok makes it easy for Japan at any time to cut off communication at any point for miles along its course.

MOSCOW IS AGAIN SEAT OF GOVERNMENT. By Associated Press. Moscow, Tuesday, March 12.—Moscow again became the official capital of Russia. It was Peter the Great who moved the seat of government from St. Petersburg to Moscow. After 200 years the government has been transferred by its present head, Nikolai Lenin, back to the historic capital.

Lenin and virtually all the government commissioners except Leon Trotsky arrived here tonight and officially opened the various ministries today. Many of the buildings in the ancient Kremlin, the leading hotels and other buildings were requisitioned. The subordinate employees have been in process of transfer for many weeks as have the government agencies.

FULTON WILLARD BOU NOT SIGNED. Kansas City, March 15.—Mike Collins, manager of Fulton, aspirant to the heavy weight championship title, left here this afternoon for Minneapolis without having signed a contract for a match with Fulton and Zoot West. Willard, present holder of the title.

Wider Distribution Of War Credits Is Urged by Oklahoma. Washington, March 15.—A wide distribution of war credits to prevent centralization of credits in the east was recommended to President Wilson today by Senator Owen of Oklahoma, chairman of the Senate banking committee.

The senator called at the White House to point out his belief that there should be a larger balance of credit in the western states. The present situation, he believes, promises soon to become serious for the west, after the war, for the east, largely because of the heavy labor trouble, if war wage scales are reduced.

Twenty Six Are Missing Result Steamer Smash. By Associated Press. Moscow, Tuesday, March 12.—Twenty-six persons were missing in consequence of a collision between a naval vessel and the British steamship Rathmore. Survivors have been landed at Kings-Island, Ireland, by destroyers.

The Rathmore, 1,569 tons gross owned by Dublin, carrying 640 passengers, was bound from Holyhead, Wales across St. George's Channel for Dublin.

The collision occurred in mid-channel. The Rathmore, badly damaged, was towed to Dublin.

SIX POUNDS FLOUR IS ALLOWANCE FOR PERSON FOR MONTH

By Associated Press. Houston, Texas, March 15.—The federal food administration for Texas because of the shortage of wheat flour, has placed the individual on four pounds of wheat flour for every thirty days, the responsibility for an equitable distribution being placed with the dealer. The state is being asked to assume responsibility for placing the state on a flour allowance basis with transportation facilities.

Retailers are permitted to sell to consumers a thirty day supply of flour, basing such sales on an allowance of six pounds per person per month. Provided said six pounds not in excess of seventy per cent of the consumer's normal requirements. Retailers so far as possible will confine their sales to the regular customers, and use the surplus flour as to the number of persons supplied by the individual purchaser.

Housewives are requested to use flour for one purpose, the making of bread. Pastries are regarded as unpractical while the acute wheat flour shortage lasts. Farmers with home grown substitutes on hand remain on the same basis as formerly in purchasing flour, but must cut their consumption down to six pounds per person per month.

The United States food administration, when the situation relieved, will increase the allowance. In the meantime, the individual consumer in Texas should adjust his consumption to conform to the six pound allowance.

Led to Misunderstanding. "I know that the very zeal which, by my oath to my king and country and my love to my native land, I felt bound to throw into my task, has led to misunderstanding with my best friends that have caused me more distress than I can tell you. But pardon me; I have no time to clear that up now. I have a terrible task upon my shoulders, a task almost more than a man can bear, and I ask your help, sympathy and prayers."

"Show me any way by which we can make peace without betraying the great and sacred trust for which we entered the war. I will listen gladly, gratefully, and thank God for the light given me. Short of that mere peace talk is undermining the fibre and morale of the nation."

WEDISH IRON ORE USED IN GERMANY. By Associated Press. Havn, Feb. 25.—Swedish iron ore supplies 65 percent of the steel used by the German armists, Semle Vandervelde and M. De Brouckere, the Belgian labor leader, declares, in a letter sent to Hjalmar Branting, the Swedish Socialist leader, protesting against the increasing Swedish exports of iron to Germany.

Industrial Workers Of World Indicted At Wichita, Kansas. Wichita, Kan., March 15.—Indictments were returned here this morning by a federal grand jury against the alleged members of the Industrial Workers of the World. With only one exception the indicted men are now under arrest and some of them already have been interned for the duration of the war.

AVIATION STUDENT KILLED AT KEY WEST. RESULT OF FALL. (BULLETIN)—Washington, March 15.—The death at Key West, Fla., March 13 of Roy C. Conant Perkins of Manchester, Vt., a naval aviation student, killed in a fall, was announced today by the navy department.

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Increases in Rates Being Considered By Road Administration

By Associated Press. Washington, March 15.—The railroad administration is studying conditions between state and federal rate-making powers with a view to ordering increases in many intrastate rates which work injustice to interstate traffic. This may result in the wiping out of practically all important intrastate low rates officials said today, since the rate fabric of the country is so closely woven that intrastate rates are closely affected by intrastate rates dictated by state authorities. Two cent passenger fare laws will be affected.

Senator Cadoz has discussed the subject with his official advisers who advocate the nationalization of rates and with the representatives of state commissions who oppose the plan. Under the railroad bill as passed by Congress, the president through Director General McAdoo may initiate rates subject to review by the interstate commerce commission on complaint but not by state commission's complaints. Consequently state intervention would be necessary to prevent increases ordered by the federal management.

RAILROADS FILE SUITS AGAINST STATE BOARD. By Associated Press. Austin, Texas, March 15.—Three suits were filed today in the fifty-third district court by the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway, the Houston & Texas Central Railroad and the Texas & New Orleans Railroad companies against the railroad commission for injunctions to restrain the commission from putting into effect certain orders issued a few days ago on the grounds that the commission has no jurisdiction as the federal government has taken over the railroads. These suits are intended to test the right of the commission to promulgate orders while the roads are under federal control.

The suit by the Katy assails the order of the commission applying Wichita Falls rates to Camp Hill. The petitioner claims that it is dissatisfied with these rates and asks that they be set as unjust, unreasonable and in violation of the commerce clause of the federal constitution. The H. & T. C. assails the commission's order applying Houston rates at Camp Logan on the same grounds, while the Texas & New Orleans Railway attacks an order of the commission applying Clinton rates on shipments of lumber from Galena to Texas points. No temporary injunction was granted.

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BOTH MACHINES ARE NOW READY FOR BIG BATTLE

MEANTIME ARTILLERY ON BRITISH FRONT POUNDS AWAY IN DUELS

By Associated Press.
British front in France and Belgium, Monday, Mar. 12.—The British have been another day of "dead" fighting weather, but there has been no change in the situation. The British and German military machines—tuned up to the finest pitch and probably as nearly perfect as it is possible to make them—are still awaiting the signal which will send them crashing against each other.

Meanwhile the artillery pounds away in thunderous duels at various points and myriad airmen are busy bombing, photographing and acting as eyes for the respective armies.

British Airmen Busy
The British airmen have been doing marvelous work recently. The first ten days of March, as a whole, have been among the best yet recorded for the service. During that period, in addition to a vast amount of reconnoitering and photography, the intrepid British destroyed 39 German airplanes and brought down 40 others out of control, despite the fact that the first two or three days of the month were so stormy that aerial activity was virtually impossible. Against this great total 15 British machines are reported missing.

There have been many air battles and virtually all have occurred behind the German lines which means that British airmen have been carrying the aerial war vigorously into the enemy territory. Of the German machines destroyed, all but two were sent crashing down back of the German lines. The amount of photographic work that has been done is amazing and a large number of the pictures were taken at close quarters.

Bombing raids by British aviators have been almost continuous. One of the most successful operations was that against the enemy airdrome March 2. This raid was carried out by a large number of machines which arrived at an hour when a number of German machines were about to start and were standing in a neat row in their hangars. The British attacked at a height of four hundred feet and because of their low altitude were able to shoot with direct effect. Several buildings were set on fire and direct hits were observed among the German machines.

Lively Shooting Follows
The British returned flying at a height of a hundred feet, which just enabled them to clear the tree tops. They used their guns on every military object in sight. The first attack was made on a horse transport. Some of the horses were killed and the rest stampeded, upsetting the wagons. Another horse transport stampeded and then a detachment of marching infantry came into range. Several of the soldiers were shot before they could reach cover. Equally effective was the shooting against some cavalry, two officers being among those toppled from their saddles.

All of the British machines returned safely. As a matter of fact, they were not attacked by the enemy at all.

DAY BY DAY IN PARIS
By GEORGE T. BYE

Friday—Along with Alexander Thompson, special correspondent of the London Daily Mail, and Glenn Condon of the Oklahoma State legislature, we were taken to the railway station at Arras by our British headquarters car, which had carried us for nearly a week in an interesting tour of the British front. We were just in time for the second dinner service, and we remained in the dining car all the way to Paris. At our table for four a coy young woman sat down, after she had inquired us in French to hang up her fur. She spoke a little English word she knew was "yes" and she used this with perfect enunciation when invited to share in our refreshments. She began to talk about her in English, feeling sure she didn't understand a word, and it was great sport until she burst out laughing and cried, "You Yankees are a hell of a lot." After that we grew very serious and she said she was very sad too. She had gone to a— to meet her adored lover. He had sent her railway fare. At the restaurant she found a hurried note from him saying that he had been suddenly ordered away, and here she was returning wistfully to Paris and fairly yearning for a kiss. Oh, oh, and ho! him! But we there were freezing in a colder dignity every minute. To her profit she left us, for we saw her later at the station, being helped into a taxi by three officers. The incident was a little bit of Paris before we got there.

Saturday—Looked up this morning at breakfast into the eyes of an American officer who was trying to find a chair. I looked harder and recognized old Charlie Cushing with whom I worked for years on the Kansas City Star. He is a lieutenant in the marine corps and detailed as managing editor of the new official American army weekly, "The Stars and Stripes." After breakfast he took me over to his office and introduced me to the editor, Lieut. Guy T. Viskniski, U. S. A. The introduction was brief. I had known Lt. Viskniski for a long time in New York. Then the two of them took me to the business manager, Lt. William Michael, quite recently from the advertising department of the Kansas City Star. This fine nest of old friends was just getting out the first issue of the new famous paper. As their names are printed in the paper, they are the first American officers under the rank of staff general whose names may be mentioned by correspondents in Europe. I was elected London correspondent on the spot and upon my military command sat down and wrote my first dispatch, all about the magnificent reception of American fighting men in London.

Sunday—Walked from my hotel on the Rue de Rivoli, which runs beside the beautiful Tuilleries, up the Seine and saw many a family, living on the canal boats, getting ready for church. At Notre Dame Cathedral, probably the most famous church in Paris, I saw fifty or more workmen piling sandbags in front of the great doors which are priceless ornaments with figures and scenes in Christian religious history. Then I crossed the river and walked up to the Place of the Bastille, around the commemorative obelisk and took the subway (called here "Metropolitaine") back to my hotel. In the afternoon I strolled out to the

NO HUN "SUBS" GET BY THIS EAGLE EYE



This is one of "our boys," clothed in his winter garb, on the lookout for Hun submarines.

Boulevard St. Michael, or Boule Miche the new artist quarter, then through the splendid Luxembourg Gardens, over to Boulevard Montparnasse, and finally to the Champs de Mars and Eiffel Tower, which is now closed to visitors. In fact, you cannot even walk under it. But I had a ride in the Great wheel nearby, after standing in line for fifteen minutes. This Ferris wheel is about two-thirds as tall as the tower and carries about eighty large cars which are loaded and unloaded five times a minute. The ride costs one franc, about eighteen cents.

Monday—Food seems to be in abundance. I have been eating more than I ate in America before the war, following the apparent native custom, all of which could be expected of me by way of reaction from the stringent rationing in England. I talked with several English and American women keeping house here and they say that there is an abundance of food, thanks to the busy French peasant and American, but prices are high.

Tuesday—Most of the night sners in Paris are American Y. M. C. A. workers. It is interesting to watch them stop before a book store or a post card shop. Nearly all French magazines carry pictures not available in the United States or England, and they are displayed in the windows of the best shops with the most thrilling views thrust forward to ensnare alien homes in London would be instantly raided for offering the Parisian kind for sale. The Y. M. C. A. men took, and then feel constrained to move along quickly. Today I go back to the front for a few days. This will probably reach America before anything I have written about last week's tour at that is going through military censorship.

CLINT LARSON LEAVES FOR A. A. U. CONTESTS

By Associated Press.
Waco, Texas, Mar. 14.—Clint Larson of the Third provisional regiment, Rich aviation field here, who competed for Brigham Young University before entering the service, holder of the collegiate record of 6 feet 5.5 inches of the running jump has been granted a furlough and is on his way to New York to compete in the A. A. U. national indoor track and field championships which will be held at the twenty second regiment armory Saturday, March 16.

Larson won five first places at the big aviation tournament here Saturday, March 3. He made a new military record of 6 feet 2 inches in the running high jumps.

NEW CADETS ARE AT CALL FIELD; FOUR GRADUATE

TOTAL OF FORTY ARRIVE IN CITY TO TAKE COURSE IN FLYING.

Forty new cadets today began their first classes in preliminary flying at Call Field, taking the place of those already graduated, or just about to finish. The forty new men arrived last night from the ground school at Columbus, Ohio. Their introduction to Texas this morning was fairly good, the sand and wind having abated after two days incessant blowing though the temperature remained rather low.

Four additional flying lieutenants were commissioned yesterday and left on a ten days furlough. These were: Robert B. Cooper, Atlanta, Georgia; Roland S. Thompson of Berkeley, Calif.; E. S. Townsend of Berkeley, Calif.; and Frederick Whitaker of Columbus, Ohio.

These men will report to Call Field at the close of their furlough. All the men previously commissioned have been ordered to report to the concentration camp at Camp Dick, Dallas, and it is supposed that the further orders will be the same.

Negro Who Claimed Supernatural Power Is Sent to Prison

By Associated Press.
Tuscarora, Ark., Mar. 14.—G. W. Davidson, a negro doctor who pretended to cure by supernatural means, was sentenced to life imprisonment today after confessing to the murder of Isaac Bradshaw, a negro patient. When Bradshaw's body was found he was kneeling, his hands tied behind his back and eyes blindfolded. He had been shot twice through the head.

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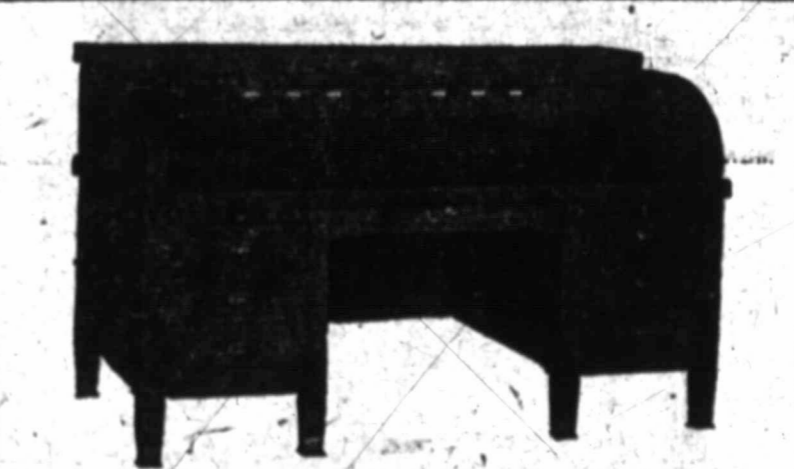
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LIMIT OF 125 VISITORS WILL BE PERMITTED IN ANNOUNCEMENT.

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Of late the crowds attending from town have been so large that it has been impossible to seat all the visitors...

SOCIETY

BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR LUCILE SEVERANCE SATURDAY

Mrs. T. P. Courtney of 1414 Fourteenth street entertained a number of boys and girls last Saturday at her home in honor of the eleventh birthday of her little granddaughter, Lucile Severance...

PARENT-TEACHERS COUNCIL POSTPONED YESTERDAY

Owing to the unpleasant weather the meeting of the Parent-Teachers Council announced for Thursday was postponed...

MERRY MATRONS MEET WITH MRS. H. P. HODGE

Mrs. H. P. Hodge was hostess, on Thursday to the regular meeting of the Merry Matrons...

CALL FIELD MAN MARRIES LOCAL GIRL

Thursday evening at six o'clock George W. Lee of Baltimore, member of the 19th Squadron, stationed at Call Field...

FOWLER BIBLE CLASS MEETS THURSDAY AFTERNOON

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DRAFTED MEN TO LEAVE FOR CAMP ON MARCH 29TH. March 29 is the date set for the call of the first of the second draft to leave Wichita Falls for Camp Travis...

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speech for ourselves and children only by a temporary limitation of the right of free speech during a year or two of war...

In no organized society would any individual be permitted to repeat any spoken violation of the right of others. From John Stuart Mills to the present day the chief argument of us who have fought for free speech...

But we can not deny that anyone who has proven a tendency to repeat these offenses against the rights of others or of the general public inevitably be forcibly restrained.

There is no prospect or possibility whatever of free speech in any community except as it protects itself by preventing violent and antisocial minorities from using this right utterly to destroy the social structure...

Freedom of speech is permitted only at those times and places where it is absolutely certain that it can do no harm whatever to the Prussian ruling class...

But, while this war for free speech is going on, the German Government is profiting in all the free countries from a mock "free-speech fight" carried on by pacifist organizations...

Whatever the limits of free speech in a democracy at war, there is always enough freedom left for this sinister purpose. Thus does the Kaiser use democracy as a club against democracy...

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COTTON CONSUMED FOR MONTH TOTAL OF 510,187 BALES

By Associated Press. BULLETIN—Washington, Mar. 15.—Cotton consumed during February amounted to 510,187 running bales...

Imports amounted to 12,580 bales compared with 16,955 a year ago and for the seven months period 99,871 bales compared with 163,305 a year ago...

Exports amounted to 359,774 bales compared with 357,776 a year ago and for the seven months period 2,161,422 compared with 4,218,833 a year ago...

Consumed during February 296,373 bales compared with 212,481 a year ago and for the seven months 2,182,911 compared with 2,238,924 a year ago...

Cotton on hand in consuming establishments 1,603,094 bales compared with 1,164,463 a year ago and in public storage and in compresses 3,130,201 compared with 3,040,449 a year ago...

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Now for just one little aviation landing field at Electra.

General Pershing has promised to smash the Hun line in France if the people will smash the Hun propaganda in America...

Just might as well make your peace at home now, Friend, if you figure on influencing that extra vote. For you surely will have to keep the babies while your wife votes in the next primaries.

A whole lot of women are going to find out how their husbands intend to vote in the next primaries, and then vote the other way. A whole lot of them will be voting right, too.

JUDGED BY THEIR DEEDS A congressional committee, which has been investigating the efficiency of the United States army, which came in for a share of criticism shortly after congress was convened...

Federal Court Will Adjourn Two Weeks After Meeting Here The Federal court which opens its March term here March 25 will immediately adjourn a date about two weeks later, according to an announcement made yesterday...

That criticism that was directed at the head of Secretary Daniels was prompted by prejudice, seems now to have been proven. It is true that, as a close friend of William J. Bryan, Secretary Daniels was heartily opposed to having the United States enter the war...

I'M ONLY A VOLUNTEER (Special Correspondence of the Reciprocal News Service) Paris, (via London), Feb. 20.—The Yanks in Paris who are good-humoredly repeating the lines of the new army verse—to the effect that they are only volunteers and that when they get old they will have to apologize to their grandchildren for not having been drafted—are reminded of the extravagant attentions which they did not get by the sight of the conscripts of France being kissed and petted from boulevard to avenue all over this amorous city...

LOCKHART HOME GUARDS MADE DEPUTY SHERIFFS By Associated Press. Lockhart, Tex., March 15.—County Commissioners have appropriated \$500 for the purchase of 100 rifles and fifty thousand rounds of ammunition for the newly organized home guards. The captains of the guard have been made deputy sheriffs with full power of that office.

PUBLIC OPINION MAKES ANSWER TO CITIZEN Editor of the Times: The letter of Citizen brings to mind the couplet: "O, lucky Jim! How I envied him! Shakespeare could, 'Find longies in trees, books in the running brooks, Germans in stones and good in everything." Byron could muse about nature in two Spencerians beginning.

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"To sit on rocks to muse o'er flood and fall And slowly trace the forest's shady scene," Burns turned up a modest daisy and immortalized it in "Wee modest crimson tipped flower."

But Citizen achieves more than all of them. He seeks beauty in a dust storm, flowers and vines, where they are not, feels only a gentle zephyr when his hat blows off and finds the lake though "not attractive now" a charming place. How he is to be envied. In all the history of idealism nothing like this is to be found. I do recommend the prescription to his fellow Wichitans and beseech them, the next time their mouths are full of dust, to dream of ice cream sodas so that in blissful enjoyment they may proceed on their way.

I regret he said nothing about the street cars. He does rhapsodize about the autos "full of fine looking people." Had he ridden in the street cars he would have found them patently upholstered, spotlessly clean and comfortable to a fault. Then if one of the "Lords of Creation" had sat in front of him, yawning tobacco, expectorating as occasion demanded, spraying him with the delights of tobacco juice he would have written a poem on it. I love to see you spit, I'm only glad and happy. When my brown eyes you hit.

Then he would have become ecstatic about the fellow behind who shoves with all his might on the back of the seat on which you are sitting in a friendly endeavor to upset you. He might even have said that the fellow behind belonged to that branch of the medical profession which locates all the ills of human nature in the spine and is so anxious for your well-being that he is giving you osteopathic treatment free. And as he finds joy everywhere he would poetize about the perfection of the service, the regularity of the schedule and the happiness of never having to wait for a car.

Then he might go to the theater. I did on a former visit. The man behind me drove his feet or knees into the back of my chair and having attained as much rigidity as comfort demanded remained—for a time. The man in front carefully spread half of his overcoat over the back of his chair allowing the garment to fall restfully on my knee. I stroked it at times during the performance to keep it from crying. As the play proceeded the man behind got excited and his feet, kicking the back of my chair, kept time to the rhythm of his mirth. I leave this—copy to the editor for disposal of Citizen as the subject or object of his next rhapsody.

Triviality is remotest from my thoughts but at risk of being considered trivial I may not refuse to recognize the juxtaposition of the opening paragraphs of Citizen's letter an oppressive stillness—can it be possible I ask with bated breath amid an oppressive stillness—can it be possible that Citizen took a Pep Systemic Pill before he wrote his letter?

Federal Court Will Adjourn Two Weeks After Meeting Here

The Federal court which opens its March term here March 25 will immediately adjourn a date about two weeks later, according to an announcement made yesterday. The adjournment will be taken in order that a regular session may be held. The regular term is expected to be possible to hold a four weeks term here, which it is expected will be necessary.

I'M ONLY A VOLUNTEER

(Special Correspondence of the Reciprocal News Service) Paris, (via London), Feb. 20.—The Yanks in Paris who are good-humoredly repeating the lines of the new army verse—to the effect that they are only volunteers and that when they get old they will have to apologize to their grandchildren for not having been drafted—are reminded of the extravagant attentions which they did not get by the sight of the conscripts of France being kissed and petted from boulevard to avenue all over this amorous city...

When a young man becomes a conscript some woman appoints herself his mamma, or wife, godmother, and she fixes a tricorne to his coat. Then their own mothers and relatives ensnatch them with ribbons. Finally, sweethearts, employers and school masters pry them with analogical letters, placards and flowers which they fasten to caps, coats and vests, or to walking sticks, if there is no more room on their clothing.

LOCKHART HOME GUARDS MADE DEPUTY SHERIFFS By Associated Press. Lockhart, Tex., March 15.—County Commissioners have appropriated \$500 for the purchase of 100 rifles and fifty thousand rounds of ammunition for the newly organized home guards. The captains of the guard have been made deputy sheriffs with full power of that office.

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JAP INTERVENTION IN SIBERIA MADE TOPIC OF DEBATE

BALFOUR FIRM IN STATEMENT THAT ALLY WOULD KEEP ALL PROMISES.

DECISIONS ARE DIFFICULT

Entente Believes they Showed Help in Bringing About Order in New Russia.

By Associated Press. London, Thursday, March 14.—Debate on the question of Japanese intervention in Siberia in the house of commons today brought from Foreign Secretary Balfour the declaration that German penetration in Russia must be combated. The allied point of view was that they should help Russia in protecting herself against Germany. Although he did not think that Germany would send an army to Vladivostok he said he had absolute faith in Japan's loyalty in carrying out any decision reached by the allies.

Discussing the situation in Russia Mr. Balfour said: "If Russia had not been at war it would have taken many years to complete the beneficent course of the revolution. When autocracy fell almost without a blow, Russia immediately fell into chaos. It is untrue to say that the same thing happened in the French revolution for there the effect was not the disintegration but the integration of France. Precisely the opposite happened to Russia. The revolution came and all the old divisions became marked and prominent."

"It must inevitably take time before we will see the end of that process and to know clearly how much of Old Russia if any, ought to cease to form a part of New Russia and how New Russia will be constituted, it is a very difficult process in time of peace and prosperity but how can you carry it out in time of war with a remorseless, persevering and quite unscrupulous enemy at the gate?"

Will Be Classes. "There will be classes among patriotic others from selfish motives, ready to welcome anything promising a semblance of stability and order in the government. When that time comes I can imagine Germany trying to re-establish possibly the old form of autocratic government. We should then have Russia shorn of some of its fairest provinces and with a kind of autocracy far worse than the old autocracy, because it would lean upon a foreign power for continued existence. If that came to pass, all our dreams of Russian development and Russian liberty would be gone and Russia would become a mere outpost of the central powers."

That is the real difficulty of dealing with the problems raised in this debate. Mr. Lees-Smith's speech is a stronger attack on what he considers as the government's policy with regard to Japan and Siberia. It is entirely oblivious of the facts I have just brought before the house and based on a profound misunderstanding of what any human being had ever thought, conceived or desired, with regard to allied intervention, Japanese or other, in Russian affairs.

Japan Held Territory. H. B. Lees-Smith, a Liberal, in questioning Mr. Balfour as to the British entered Russian territory and occupied it at the mandate of the alliance. It followed with almost absolute certainty that this territory would not be returned.

"I cannot let this debate end," Mr. Balfour said in conclusion, "without repudiating to the full Mr. Lees-Smith's suggestion that Japan would be moved by selfish and dishonorable motives in any course which may be discussed in Japan, either among her statesmen or with the allies."

Japan has behaved with perfect loyalty and if she gives promises with regard to Russian integrity or on any question connected with Russia, she would keep them as she has kept all promises she has made in connection with this war or any great public transactions with the United States and the allies. I draw no distinction in this matter between Japan and the allies who make up the great body of the belligerents on the entente side.

Difficult Decisions. "The decisions the allies may have to take will not be without difficulty but the principles upon which those decisions may be arrived at, will be neither ungenerous, unfair nor hostile to Russia and the Russian revolution. Our object is to see Russia strong, intact, secure and free and if these objects can be obtained then and then only, will the Russian revolution bring forth all the fruits its best friends desire to see."

MEETING AND OPEN HOUSE FOR SOLDIERS Saturday night will be open house for the soldiers. There will be routine games, singing and special musical numbers. Refreshments will be served. All are invited.

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ALDERMEN RESIGN AND ELECTION IS ORDERED APRIL 2

In an unusually lengthy business session Thursday evening, the city council accepted the resignation of two aldermen, Marvin Smith and E. G. Hill, named election officers, ordered a special election to fill the unexpired terms of the two aldermen whose resignations were accepted, ordered paving of the block on Lamar between Ninth and Tenth and granted several permits.

E. G. Hill is a candidate for mayor and for this reason offered his resignation. His private business was the reason given by Mr. Smith. The resignations will take effect on April 2, or when the successors to the two councilmen are elected.

Special Election. Order was entered for a special election to be held April 2, at the time of the regular city elections, to elect two aldermen to fill the unexpired terms of Mr. Hill and Mr. Smith.

A permit was granted the Wichita Falls Water Company to install a pump at the corner of Tenth and Camp—Boulevard to pump water to Call Field. Dr. LeClair was given permission to install a gasoline filling station at the corner of Sixth and Ohio and the First National Bank was given permission to make an opening on Eighth street and construct a walkway to the basement on this street.

J. C. Hunt appeared before the council on behalf of the property owners on Lamar, between Ninth and Tenth and asked that that block of street be ordered paved. This was done.

Election Officers. The following election officers were appointed: J. B. Pitts, judge; clerks, O. L. Green, J. J. Manley, L. P. Gaston and J. L. Mears.

Court House Box: G. R. Walker, presiding officer; C. J. Shumake, judge; clerks, Jessie Carr, C. C. Willard, S. F. Burchard and George Simmons.

Those present at the council meeting: M. J. Gardner, mayor pro tem; Aldermen Marvin Smith, E. G. Hill, J. A. Richolt and J. L. Lea Jr.; City Clerk Walkup, City Attorney Horace Nutt, City Marshal Lesley Humphria, City Engineer Cooke and Fire Marshal McClure.

Adjournment was taken at 15 minutes of 12 o'clock.

WAR GARDENS ARE STRONGLY URGED BY MISS MANNING

Boosting war gardens and increased food production, Miss John Lucy Manning, agricultural expert sent out by the extension department of A. and M. addressed the pupils of the Alamo school Thursday afternoon. The children were enthusiastic over the work and the speaker received good response. Later, Miss Manning visited the Seventh grade at the Austin school, carrying out the same work and obtaining the same results. In speaking of the vegetables suitable for this climate, Miss Manning mentioned black eyed peas, Pinto beans, both brown and speckled, and Swiss chard. Swiss chard, Miss Manning said, although not very well known, was very palatable and very hardy, capable of resisting drought to a larger extent than most other vegetables.

Miss Manning left for Vernon Thursday night where she will continue her work along the same lines as carried on here. The weather prevented the carrying on of her complete plans here, but her visit is reported very successful.

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Advertisement for Nunn Electric Co. featuring 'The "Glad Iron" Is Putting The "Sad Iron" Out of Business!' and 'Help win the war! Do your bit! GET AN ELECTRIC IRON. Peace is declared the minute you begin to do your ironing "Electrically." Steady, even heat—no scorching, no sticking, Saves fuel, steps, time, labor, trouble. Does better work—easier. Enlist—don't be aslacker. We have yours all wrapped up—ready to deliver.'

Vertical text on the right edge of the page, including 'New some', 'The first', 'Cotton', 'March', '30.20', 'The first', 'Cotton', 'March', '30.20', 'The first', 'Cotton', 'March', '30.20'.

TODAY'S MARKETS

COTTON PRICES ARE UNCHANGED UPON OPENING

New York, March 15.—There was some overnight selling orders around the ring at the opening of the cotton market today and first prices were unchanged to 15 points lower with March relatively steady. The census report showing domestic mill consumption of 510,187 bales for February was under recent private forecasts, but it was considered as indicating a very well sustained volume of consumption per working day, and from that standpoint seemed also more encouraging than otherwise. The official figures on exports also made a favorable impression on sentiment and the market worked up after the call with active months selling 10 to 15 points net higher. March rallied from 32.91 to 32.35 and May from 31.52 to 31.77 before the end of the first hour. Cotton futures opened steady. Mar. 32.01; May 31.66; July 31.20; Oct. 30.29; Dec. 29.97.

The market showed continued steadiness late in the morning with May relatively firm on trade buying, which was believed to be against spinners calling. That delivery sold up to 31.85; ordinary 18 points net higher, while October touched 30.34, or 14 points above last night's close. Covering by March shorts became more active during the early afternoon with that delivery selling up to 32.60 or 40 points above last night's close. The strength of the new position gave the list a very steady undertone and prices held some 10 to 18 points net higher around 31.85 for May and 30.34 for Oct. Cotton closed steady.

New Orleans Cotton. Cotton opened steady. Opening bids: March 31.54 asked; May 30.15; July 30.20 asked; Oct. 29.08; Dec. 28.81. The forecast of continued dry weather for Texas and the continued comparatively large export movement sustained values. Toward noon prices were 7 to 10 points up net. A quiet but steady feeling prevailed in the afternoon with the market five to ten points up. Cotton closed steady at an advance of 4 to 10 points.

Liverpool Weekly Statistics. Liverpool, Mar. 15.—Weekly cotton statistics: Total forwarded to mills 68,000 bales, American 48,000. Stock 474,000; American 283,000. Imports 20,000; American 14,000. Exports None.

Liverpool Spot Cotton. Liverpool, March 15.—Cotton spot quiet. Good middling 24.15; middling 23.63; low middling 23.10; good ordinary 22.10; ordinary 21.58. Sales 4,000 including 2,000 American. Receipts 7,000 including 2,200 American.

Future contracts quiet. New contracts: March 24.04; April 23.97; May 23.89; June 23.78; July 23.62. Old contracts (fixed prices): March 22.48; March April 22.39; May June 22.23; June July 22.15.

New York Stocks. New York, March 15.—Equipment issues comprising the war group were responsive to a fair demand at the opening of today's stock market. Gains of 1 to almost 2 points were made in the first half hour by Baldwin Locomotive and Bethlehem and Crucible Steels, also General Motors and American can. United States Steel, Marine Petroleum, American Car, Continental Leather and Mexican Petroleum gained large fractions. Union Pacific and Reading were strong but New Haven was heavy. Liberty bonds were irregular.

Market conditions became more mixed in the afternoon. Specialties, such as industrial alcohol, mining interests and Sumatra Tobacco showed extreme gains of 2 to 4 points but rails, notably Canadian Pacific and coals, were under persistent pressure.

Conflicting price movements continued in the dull final hour. The closing was irregular. Liberty 2 1/2's sold at 97.30 to 97.47; first 4's at 96.20 to 96.26 and second 4's at 95.98 to 96.14.

Cotton Seed Oil. New York, March 15.—The cotton seed oil market closed steady. Spot 29.00 bid; March 30.00; May and July 29.25. Sales none.

LIVESTOCK

Fort Worth Livestock. Fort Worth, March 15.—CATTLE: Receipts 1200; strong and higher. Receipts 48.50@52.50; stockers 48.00@50.75; heifers 45.00@51.00; cows 46.75@51.00; bulls 48.75@58.00; calves 48.50@53.25.

HOGS: Receipts 3,000; steady. Heavy 17.40@17.50; light 17.25@17.40; medium 17.00@17.25; mixed 16.50@17.00; common 15.75@16.25; pigs 15.50@14.25.

SHEEP: Receipts 500; unchanged. Lambs 15.00@16.00; yearlings 13.00@14.00; wethers 11.50@12.50; ewes 11.00@11.50; culls 8.50@8.80; goats 8.50@8.00.

Kansas City Livestock. Kansas City, March 15.—HOGS: Receipts 6,000; steady. Bulk 17.10@17.40; heavy 16.50@17.40; light 17.25@17.55; pigs 13.00@15.00.

BOARD OF HEALTH ASKS COUNCIL TO GET CHLORINATOR

Further declines in corn reported in day's trading

Chicago, March 14.—Liberal receipts and weather favorable for the crop movement led to further declines today in the corn market. In the absence of shipping outlets to the east counted also as a bearish factor. There was gossip too of a likelihood that owing to the poor quality of the 1917 crop a lower grade of corn than at present accepted would be made standard for the filling of contracts. Opening prices, which ranged from 1/4 to 3/4 lower, with March 1.27 1/2 and May 1.25 1/2, were followed by a material drop.

General commission house selling carried down values of oats. Reports indicating increased acreage being seeded handicapped the bulls. After opening 3/4 to 1/2 off, the market underwent a moderate additional setback. Provisions sympathized with the weakness of grain. Besides, the hog market was lower.

A good demand from industries brought about a decided uptick later in future deliveries, but the effect failed to last. Prices closed unsettled 1/4 to 3/4 net lower with March 1.27 1/2 and May 1.25 1/2. Subsequently offerings became scarce and the market rallied on account of packers buying.

Kansas City Grain. Kansas City, March 15.—Corn: No. 2 mixed 1.65@1.85; No. 2 white 1.88@1.96; No. 2 white 1.72@1.80.

Oats: No. 2 white 1.24 1/2; No. 2 mixed 86 1/2@87 1/4.

Peace Negotiations With Ukraine Are Begun By Russia

Amsterdam, Wednesday, March 13.—The opening of peace negotiations at Geneva between Russia and Ukraine is reported in a Vienna dispatch to the Vossische Zeitung of Berlin. The Ukrainian Rada, the dispatch says, will meet soon to ratify the peace treaty with the Central Powers.

The government set up in Ukraine after its declaration of independence from Russia was opposed as bourgeois by the Bolsheviks, who sent troops to support a Bolshevik movement in Ukraine. A number of battles were fought and Kiev was captured by the Bolsheviks. The terms imposed by the Central Powers in the peace treaty with Russia and the advance of Teutonic troops into Ukraine, however, compelled the Bolsheviks to give up their campaign.

Pershing Promises To Smash Hun Lines; Germany Is United

Chicago, March 15.—A promise from General Pershing to "smash the German line in France if you will smash the Hun propaganda at home" was made public today by Charles Whitehair, Y. M. C. A. worker just returned from overseas.

The general rose from his chair on the occasion of my last interview, Mr. Whitehair said, "and gritting his teeth, said: 'Smash that damnable Hun propaganda and we will smash the German line.'"

Stories of impending economic collapse in Germany, mutiny in the army and navy and serious internal labor disputes were characterized by Mr. Whitehair as propaganda disseminated for the purpose of slowing up America's war preparation.

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Recommending that the city council immediately make application to the state for emergency use of the state's chlorinator to purify the local water supply and ordering that the law governing dairies be rigidly enforced with reference to quarantining from dairies persons exposed to or afflicted with communicable diseases, the Board of Health held a busy session at the city hall this afternoon.

Complete data as to the condition of the local water supply has not been received as yet, it was announced. It was pointed out, however, that in view of conditions as they have been reported, there is no doubt that the state will grant use of the machine desired. A report was made to the health board that one dairyman in whose family there is scarlet fever has not been quarantined from his home and has been permitted to continue handling milk. The board ordered that rigid quarantine be instituted at once or the sale of milk from this dairy be ordered discontinued.

Present at the meeting were Dr. Wade Walker, Dr. Moore, Dr. J. F. Reid and Mrs. T. B. Smock.

Bank at Winslow Is Robbed by Masked Men; Make Escape

By Associated Press. Fort Smith, Ark., March 15.—The bank of Winslow, forty miles north of here, was robbed at ten o'clock this morning of between \$3,000 and \$2,500. Two unmasked men entered the bank and covered the cashier and his son with guns, took the money from the till and ran and rode off on horse back into the hills.

Former Senator Stephenson Dies in Wisconsin

By Associated Press. BULLETIN—Marinette, Wis., Mar. 15.—Former United States Senator Isaac Stephenson died at 1:30 this morning.

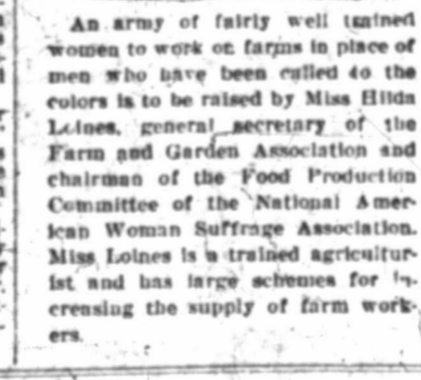
Senator Stephenson had been ill at his home here for a week, due to ill-firmities of age. His condition suddenly grew worse yesterday and physicians expressed doubt for his recovery, but later in the day he rallied and last night was resting comfortably. He died at 1:30 this morning.

Brisk North Striker Section About Lockhart

By Associated Press. Lockhart, Texas, March 15.—A brisk north strike this section early in the morning. Although fruit trees are in bloom, no serious damage to the coming crop is anticipated.

TO TRAIN GIRL FARMERS

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MISS HILDA LOINES. An army of fairly well trained women to work on farms in place of men who have been called to the colors is to be raised by Miss Hilda Loines, general secretary of the Farm and Garden Association and chairman of the Food Production Committee of the National American Woman Suffrage Association. Miss Loines is a trained agriculturist and has large schemes for increasing the supply of farm workers.

Advertisement for Society Brand Clothes. Features an illustration of a man in a suit and hat. Text: 'You Will Find Here a Complete Showing of Society Brand Clothes. Scores of models, in smartest styles and weaves, hand-tailored. Society Brand Glen Rocks in plain and herringbone weaves—the season's popular suit fabrics, in pure worsteds. The colors men want—all pleasing shades of Navy Blue, Myrtle Green, Russet Brown, Heather shades and Iridescent effects. Sizes for any figure—styles for any age—clothes for YOU—Society Brand Clothes. \$30.00 to \$45.00. Ask to see, especially, Society Brand Clothes bearing the "Double Service" label on the sleeve of the coat. This label identifies fabrics made from the longer stronger, selected wool yarns. The garments so markedly naturally cost slightly more, but are an ultimate economy because they wear longer. Mallory and Stetson Hats for Spring. New Manhattan Shirts. P.B.M.C. DEPARTMENT STORE. "STYLE HEADQUARTERS". Where Society Brand Clothes are sold. Ask yourself this: "Why don't I buy Thrift Stamps?"

NOW SEEKING MAN WHO CAUSED HIM TO MAKE JOURNEY

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Local Brevities

E. G. Hill, undertaker, office and parlors, 900 Scott Ave. Phone 225. Prompt ambulance service. Dr. Du Val, Eye, Ear, Nose, Throat, 174 1/2 St.

A. C. Flowers, T. E. Lilly and W. F. Gafford, charged by federal complaint with conspiracy to transport liquor into Oklahoma, were bound over to the Federal grand jury and released on \$750 bond each, following a preliminary hearing this afternoon before U. S. Commissioner J. A. Lantz.

Don't let an amateur tinker with your battery. Bring it to us and have the right thing done and done right. And we'll supply you with a rental battery while yours is being fixed. Phone 405. Willard Service Station, 410 Scott Ave.

Complaint has been filed against G. W. Davis charging furnishing liquor to soldiers, by federal officers and a hearing set for Saturday morning. Four Oklahoma soldiers are being held as witnesses.

Our stock of tires and tubes is complete. All sizes. Lea Puncture Proof; Mohawk, Federal Goodyear and Pennsylvania. Call and let us serve you. MOTOR SUPPLY CO.

Dr. Scharff, Osteopath, K. & K. Bldg. A complaint charging violation of the Mann act has been filed against G. H. Copeland in the U. S. commissioners court. Copeland will be given a hearing tomorrow.

Four quick taxi, baggage and livery service phone 422. Dr. Du Val, Glasses 174 1/2 St.

Let us write your insurance this year in one of our reliable Old Line Fire Insurance companies. H. J. Bachman Co. Real Estate and Rentals. 258 6th St.

Three lonely drunks appeared in police court this morning and drew the customary \$5 fine.

STRIKE ON AUSTRIAN RAILWAYS REPORTED. BULLETIN—Copenhagen, March 15.—The men in the workshops of the Austrian railways have struck and refused to obey the orders of the military to return to work, the Berlin Lokal Anzeiger states. The strike it is added, is spreading to other factories.

PERSONALS. G. E. McDonald, manager of the H. O. Wooten Grocery company of this city and Messrs. Lee, E. H. Brown, A. N. Lammus, J. E. Webb, H. H. May and Conditte, salesmen for the local company, left today for Abilene to attend a salesmen's meeting.

Dr. R. L. Hargraves has been called to Quinter upon professional business. J. E. H. Ralley, editor of the Weatherford Herald, is in the city today on business.

Mrs. and Mrs. P. H. Pennington left yesterday for Alabama, where they expect to visit with relatives and friends until about May 1st.

Mrs. Caroline Hodges, aged 71 years, died this morning at 3:30 at the home of her son, W. L. Hodges, 10 miles southwest of I-wa Park. Short

Food Stuffs to Be Chief Cargoes For Dutch Ships Taken

Washington, March 15.—The million tons of Dutch ships about to be taken over by the United States and Great Britain by requisition if the Netherlands government voluntarily does not agree to turn them over, will be used chiefly, officials said here, for the transportation of foodstuffs. Their use is expected to go far towards removing the danger of serious food shortage in the allied countries.

Wheat from the Argentine and meat from the United States will be the principal commodities moved by the ships many of which have lain idle while the allied people have been living on war rations. The shortage of wheat has been a source of anxiety. Of meat there is an abundance and exports from this country will be doubled when the ships are ready. The ships will be pooled by the allied governments. The Dutch crews are expected to remain with them.

UNSCATHED AFTER ORDEAL WITH HUN MURDERERS—SURVIVORS OF THE TUSCANIA, VICTIM OF TORPEDO



These American soldiers are shown at Foyls Hill Hospital, Londonderry, Ireland, where they recovered from the Tuscania shipwreck when a U-boat sank the hospital conveying them to Europe.

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Official Statement of the Financial Condition of the WICHITA STATE BANK. Assets: Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral \$451,226.57; Loans, real estate 9,027.35; Treasuries 2,000.00; Bonds and Stocks 27,411.34; Other Real Estate 3,000.00; Furniture and Fixtures 5,000.00; Cash 8,000.00; Due from other Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net 87,228.75; Cash items 401.90; Currency 4,000.00; Interest on Depositors' Guaranty Fund 4,202.36; Other Resources as follows: Assessment for Guaranty Fund 600.00; Items for Collection 138.70; Bills of Exchange 20,223.91. Total \$705,931.56. Liabilities: Capital Stock paid in \$50,000.00; Surplus Fund 2,000.00; Undivided Profits, net 12,000.00; Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net 87,228.75; Individual Deposits, subject to check 262,570.17; Time Certificates of Deposit 24,000.00; Demand Certificates of Deposit 75.25; Cashier's Checks 8,949.48. Total \$705,931.56.

funeral services will be held at the community church Saturday afternoon and the body will be sent to Whitesboro for burial.

"THE BULL'S EYE" AT THE GEM TODAY. The seventh episode of "The Bull's Eye" will be shown today at the Gem. Eddie Polo and Vivian Reed are featured in this universal special serial. The cattle rustlers continue their chase after the hero and heroine and there is a thrilling pursuit.

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McFall Transfer & Storage Co. Office 817 Ohio. Telephone No. 14. "Sell Service."

MORTUARY. Mrs. Julius Klein. Mrs. Julius Klein, aged 30 years, died this morning at 8:30 at the family home, 114 Dallas street, following a three week's illness. The funeral will be held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Lutheran Trinity Church, services to be conducted by the pastor, Rev. Utasch. Mrs. Klein is survived by a husband and five children.

CASUALTIES WILL CHANGE CHARACTER OF ALL REGIMENTS

NATIONAL GUARD AND NATIONAL ARMY UNITS WILL LOSE MANY MEN

ACQUAINTANCES TO PART

Old Units Will be Changed as War Progresses, Neighborhood Features Being Eliminated.

By Associated Press. Washington, Mar. 15.—The neighborhood character of national army and national guard units is certain to vanish as the war progresses, in the opinion of army officials. British and French forces already have undergone the process and it now is being felt by Americans from the divisions as the great result of the three-line system of defense, held indispensable by General Pershing, and the allied chief aim to keep the front line as full fighting strength.

Plans projected by the general staff for erecting a replacement system to handle near a quarter of a million men this year, it is understood, are founded on acceptance of the fact that localization cannot be maintained.

Men to be United. Eventually it is believed that enlisted men of the regulars, national army and national guard will be intermixed throughout all divisions at the front.

Congress expressed a decided preference for localization of the army in the selective service law, but many officers have maintained insistently that it would be impossible to handle the army except as one unit. The facts promise to bear out that view and with the replacement of casualties the welding of the expeditionary force in to one homogeneous unit has already begun.

In an opinion rendered last December, Acting Judge Advocate General Ansell sustained the legal right of the department to transfer officers and men among the regulars, national army and national guard as found necessary. The selective service law gave only a suggestion of independence to the three branches of the service, he said.

Advices to Army. "As legal advice," the army and as an officer, thereof," he continued, "I discard as the law permits me and military law requires me to discard the theory of separate and independent forces. Such a theory can be adhered to only with injury to fighting efficiency. Battles can hardly be won with forces which are regarded as heterogeneous, but only so because of customary conception of legal formality. Administration should proceed judicially along a broad line to sustain our fighting forces with unity of organization as unity of administration as well as purpose if we are to succeed against the enemy who has demonstrated his thoroughness in that field.

"There is but one army of the United States and every organization, bureau, office and man in the military service is a part of it.

Six Division Corps. The six division corps organizations adopted by General Pershing, was devised to give a corps commander a two division front to hold, backed up by two divisions on the second line and two divisions on the third line. At intervals these divisions relieve each other, each serving its allotted time in each of the three lines. As casualties occur in the front line, replacements are drawn from second line divisions and second line units fill up immediately from third line divisions. The casualties given preliminary training in the United States, shipped over on a regular schedule, are fed into the third line division and by the time they reach the front line, they are ready for the battle, having received their finishing course at the hands of veterans as they are moved up.

Way it Worked. As an illustration of the effect of this process on the personnel of a particular regiment, a New York national guard unit, the first division might be in the front line. Behind it in the same corps might stand an Illinois division in the second line and a far western division in the third line, or either of these supporting divisions might be a regular unit, composed of men from all parts of the United States. Gradually as its casualties and other replacements increase, the New York division would become filled with men from the other division or when it was in reserve, would feed many of its original New York men into the division ahead of it. If they continued in the same relations long the three divisions would become composed of all three with a steady flow of casualties introduced from the United States at the third line, still further diluting their original neighboring composition.

Replacement Divisions. Out of this situation has grown the plan to form separate replacement divisions in the United States, where the arm of the service for which preliminary training not the state from which the soldier comes, will be a factor governing mobilization. Infantry men would all be trained at one camp, artillerymen at another, machine gunners at another and so on. Men who had been under training six months would be available for assignments to replacement detachments bonded abroad. Their places would be taken by new drafted men or by volunteers arriving through the recruiting service. That would extend the replacement system back to the civilian population in orderly, workable fashion, it is argued.

The task of feeding into a state unit only men from that state, officials declare is impossible. They insist that localization has already interfered with the efficiency and added enormously to the transportation and other problems. If it is to be carried on and applied to the expeditionary forces, forty-eight separate recruit depots, one for each state, would have to be set up on this side and forty-eight more in France with no possibility of accomplishing any considerable degree of localization even then.

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James M. Barnes is at his best again. On the first day of the tournament at Deland, Fla., Long Jim topped the field with two exquisite rounds of 70 and 71. Barnes had a terrific carry from the tee, and no one in the tournament, with the exception of Eddie Lock, could keep within hailing distance of the Palma-Cala star.

Train of Relics From France Will Be Sent to South

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Rome, Wednesday, Mar. 13.—Raiding operations on the front between the Stelvio and the Piave are reported in the war office statement today.

ARMY HOSPITAL OF U. D. C. NEEDS HEARTY SUPPORT

Under the auspices of the Daughters of the Confederacy a fund is being raised for the maintenance of a bed, all supplies and nurse for one year. Make another little sacrifice and offer a donation to this hospital and it will give you a joy that you will cherish forever.

A CLEAR COMPLEXION

Ruddy Cheeks—Sparkling Eyes—Most Women Can Have— Says Dr. Edwards, a Well-Known Ohio Physician

Dr. F. M. Edwards for 17 years treated scores of women for liver and bowel ailments. During these years he gave to his patients a prescription made of a few well-known vegetable ingredients mixed with olive oil, naming them Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets. You will know them by their olive color.

These tablets are wonder-workers on the liver and bowels, which cause a normal action, carrying off the waste and poisonous matter in one's system.

If you have a pale face, yellow look, dull eyes, pimples, coated tongue, headaches, a listless, no-good feeling, all out of sorts, inactive bowels, you take one of Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets nightly for a time and note the pleasing results.

Thousands of women as well as men take Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets—the successful substitute for castor—now and then just to keep in the pink of condition. 30c and 50c per box. All druggists.

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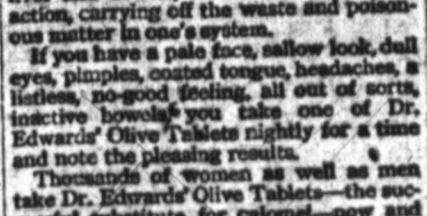
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A shipment of 5,000 pounds of heavy hotel dishes. These will go fast, and we advise those in the market for such goods to call on us without delay.

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GUARANTEE ABSTRACT AND TITLE CO., W. F. Turner, Manager, 705 Seventh Street, Office Phone, 681, Courthouse Phone 1981.

M. L. CHAMBERS, Auditor and Accountant, Phone 60. Have made several income tax reports. Let me make yours. 323-24

Wanted To Buy Second-Hand Furniture and Stoves! Star Furniture Co. Phone 1011

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Receiving Want Ads by telephone is the final detail in making The Times Want Columns promptly and perfectly useful to the readers.

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RATES—Want ads are one cent a word for the first insertion and half a cent a word for subsequent successive insertions. No want taken for less than fifteen cents and no ad taken to run three times for less than 25 cents. In giving in Want Ads PHONE 167.

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HIGHEST PRICES paid for cast-off men's clothing and shoes. Phone 434. 231-16

R. A. BAILEY—Carpet and rug cleaning, motor power vacuum, harmless and sanitary. Quick service. Phone 2188. 208-41c

WANTED—Lace curtains to laundry. Prices 35 cents per pair, also blankets and quilts, price 50 cents each. Felix Lindsey, Phone 1951. 243-26c

WANTED TO RENT 6 or 7 room house, well furnished by responsible party, can give good reference. Address G care Times. 252-11c

WANTED—To buy 5 or 6 room house on tenth St. Must be modern and a bargain. Phone 1535 or call at Harry Sample Shoe Store. 254-11c

WANTED—2 furnished light housekeeping rooms, reference exchanged. Phone 1898. 254-11p

WANTED—To buy one or two thoroughbred young brown leghorn roosters, phone 1592. 255-11c

FOR MATTRESS work of all kinds call Price's Mattress Factory 808 10 St. Phone 1629. 257-11c

WANTED TO RENT 6 or 7 room house, well furnished by responsible party, without children, can give good reference. Address G care Times. 252-11c

MATTRESSES—We have just installed a new power mattress machine and have a first class mattress man and are prepared to turn out work that will please—will make your old mattress just like new. Patton Fur Co. 710 7th, phone 1666. 253-61c

WANTED—3 furnished housekeeping rooms, close in, by couple without children. Phone 2188. 254-11c

FOR PLOWING and carpenter work phone 389. 260-61p

WE MAKE oil tanks, wagon tanks, window guards, auto fenders and anything else. Wichita Mechanical Co. 706 Tenth st., phone 1194. 260-61p

WE BUY, sell, exchange and rent second hand furniture. Micks Furniture Co. 908 Indiana. Phone 528. 261-261c

WANTED TO RENT on or before April 1, two or three rooms furnished for unmarried, close in. Address G. D care Daily Times. 261-41p

REFINED Gentleman wants room in christian family. Phone 56. 261-31c

WANTED—To buy cast off clothing and shoes at 615 8th. Phone 313. 261-11c

WANTED—To rent a piano, phone 1244. 261-11c

TELL YOUR troubles to The Quickest Yet Repair Shop. All kinds of pipe work and plumbing repair. Prices reasonable, work guaranteed. Anderson Bros., 916 1/2 Indiana, phone 2588. 261-11c

WANTED—Three unfurnished rooms. Phone 2312. 262-31c

WANTED—Boarders. Will take few exclusive boarders at 1512 14th St. 262-31p

WANTED—To rent by April 1st six room house by responsible party, reasonably close in. Would rent by year. Address Box 572, city. 262-41p

WANTED—To rent 2 or 3 unfurnished rooms or house in Southland addition. Phone 2385. 262-31c

WANTED to buy a good milk cow. Phone 1510 or call at 1818 7th St. 263-31c

WANTED—One Underwood typewriter, in good condition. Phone 374. 262-31c

HELP WANTED—Male

MESSENGER boy with wheel wanted at Richardson Drug Co. 254-11c

"DRILLER WANTED. We have four wells to contract at Bushline Hill. Must begin immediately. The Osgood Oil & Refining Co. 803 Heraklitos Bldg., Oklahoma City, Okla. 257-141p

WANTED—First class cement finisher. Apply 1806 Bluff. 260-41c

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Tan leather hand grip containing men's clothing. Tuesday morning between Ford Garage and river bridge. Finder return to 2214 S St. or phone 2588. Reward. 261-31c

LOST—Plain gold cuff button. Finder phone 1435 or at collection Dept. of First Natl. Bank. 262-31c

LOST—On Henrietta road Tuesday, man's brown Norfolk coat to suit. Finder leave 1102 Ind. or phone 318 reward. 263-31c

FOR SALE—A well improved home, with all conveniences, well located, on Ninth St. Will sell reasonable and give immediate possession. Address Owner, P. O. Box 478.

FOR SALE Tenth street bungalow, modern in every respect. R. P. Willis, Phone 2402.

Ponder The Second-Hand Man BUY, SELL, REPAIR and UPHOLSTER. Phone 718 715 Seventh St.

FOR SALE—City Property

5-ROOM modern house between Bluff and Broad on car line for \$2100.00, good terms. O. F. Marchman, phone 2851. 263-11c

FOR SALE—Five room house, 2 lots, east front. Price \$1250. For particulars phone 1599. 240-11c

AN EAST front eight room house close in on Bluff between 8th and 9th with 50x265 foot lot \$5500.00. N. O. Monroe, Phone 2454. 261-31p

FOR SALE—A large modern five-room house on concrete foundation, large lot, suited to schools and car line, walking distance business section—\$2950. J. J. Moran, phone 888. 254-11c

READY TO MOVE in brand new house on pavement 11th St. at a bargain. O. F. Marchman, phone 2851. 263-11c

A BRAN NEW modern bungalow, just completed, on 11th (now paved). One block mass a home. Call 2861. O. F. Marchman. 260-11c

DENVER STREET HOME—Five large rooms, strictly modern in every respect, with 175x150 foot east front lot \$4500.00. This is one of the most desirable homes of its size in the city. N. O. Monroe, phone 2454. 261-31p

FOR SALE—By owner a modern house 7 rooms with good orchard and cistern corner lot 100x150 ft. 1409 Austin. Phone 1645. 258-61p

FOR SALE by owner 5 room modern house, curb, sidewalks and shade trees, east front on Taylor street. Address Box 451. 258-61c

FIVE ROOM house price \$1500.00 1301 Indiana avenue. In fair repair, house to be moved from lot by purchaser. See Moore & Richolt or phone 345. 261-31c

FOR SALE—By owner, lot 80x150 feet close in on Lamar with three houses all modern, newly painted, 5 room houses. Will sell at bargain on good terms. Phone 1611. 262-61c

FOR SALE—Fifteen room house at 4th and Lee streets, lot 75x150 feet of corner, with room for another house. In excellent condition and all modern. Price \$3500.00. Will take automobile part pay with some cash and the balance long time at 8 per cent interest. J. S. Bridwell, phone 661. 253-11c

FOR SALE—Well arranged apartment house near Baptist church. Cheap and easy possession. Almost new 5 room house all modern, newly painted, papered close in on Ninth street, fine location large lot, price \$3750.00, can give possession today. 6 room house all modern, east front, one of the best locations in Floral Heights, price \$3550. 5 room house modern on Ninth in the 1700 block price \$2200.00. 5 room modern house in Floral Heights, price \$1750. 3 room modern house on Burnett street, price \$1850 get possession at once. 2 new cottages on Tenth. The swiftest and most up to date 5 room house in town. They are hard wood finished throughout, very fine light and bath fixtures. Beam ceilings, French glass doors. Stucco garage, concrete driveway, price \$2250.00. Move in today. 260-41c

FOR SALE—Two five room cottages on the pavement on 11th Street, the 1900 block. These cottages are modern in every way. If you want to buy well located home, phone me and I will be glad to show you these. Linn Boyd, 603 Eighth Street, 262-61c

FOR SALE—Equity in 5 room modern house, will consider good Ford car. Write Box No. 671. 263-21p

6 ROOM modern house in the 1900 block on 11th, a splendid buy for \$4200.00 Good terms. O. F. Marchman. Phone 2851. 263-11c

FOR SALE—4 room house on Burnett St. east front, barn, garden and shade trees, price \$1400.00. \$100 cash, balance monthly. Phone 1940 or 1316. 262-31c

FOR SALE—5 rooms of new furniture, cheap if sold at once. Responsible party paying furniture will have removal of house. 1401 Lamar, phone 2192. 240-31p

HELP WANTED—Female

WANTED—Woman to cook, wash and iron 1409 10th or phone 150. 260-11c

WANTED—Colored woman or man and wife for general housework. Mrs. Frank Keil, Phone 125. 261-41c

WANTED—Chamber maid at St. James Hotel. 261-41c

WANTED—Experienced girl for general housework 908 Burnett. 262-11c

WANTED—2 white maids also linen woman at Westland Hotel. 262-31c

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40 acres best shallow oil district, Burkhardt; four wells, producing better than 30 barrels daily at 185 feet. Oil on all sides. Good deep prospects. Price \$35,000. Can easily be made worth \$100,000.

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Practically new Rotary Rig outfit, complete, at a bargain. Price \$6,000.

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Telephone 2788 220 Ohio Ave. W. I. CAMERON, Prop.

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FOR RENT—Two light housekeeping rooms for couple without children. References exchanged. 1507 Fifteenth. Phone 2104. 262-31c

FOR RENT—Three nicely furnished housekeeping rooms, adjoining bath, garage, no children. Phone 1464 or 1328. 262-31c

FOR RENT—2 furnished light housekeeping rooms, can furnish reference. 1107 7 St. 262-31p

FOR RENT—Two furnished light housekeeping rooms close in on Lamar to parties without children, and reference exchanged. Phone 1667. 263-11c

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IF INTERESTED in all oil leases, write or wire E. W. Funston, box 685, Wichita Falls, Texas. 257-261c

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FOR SALE—1918 model Ford 5 passenger car, one 1917 model Ford truck. See Van McPhail at Hearn Hotel. 263-11p

FOR SALE OR TRADE

FOR SALE OR TRADE—2 mares for car 1309 16 St. Phone 1771. 261-61p

FOR SALE OR TRADE—Farm for house and lot in town. J. L. Moore, phone 2810. 262-31p

CHICKENS, EGGS AND PET STOCK

FOR SALE—Setting eggs, Rhode Island Red, Robert Simmons, 1406 Broad, Phone 244. 257-11c

FOR SALE—Rhode Island Red eggs for setting. Floyd Billingsley, 1809 Elizabeth, Phone 1528. 240-41c

PURE BRED rose comb Rhode Island Red eggs for sale, \$1.50 and \$2.50 per setting. R. R. Blazman, phone 2767. 1506 18th st. 243-201p

THOROUGHBRED Barred Rocks setting eggs, 406 Fifth St. East, of tracks. 257-11c

BARRED ROCK eggs for hatching. High grade stock \$1.00 to \$1.25 for 15. \$4.50 to \$5.00 per 100 eggs. Write or phone Crites Poultry Farm, Iowa Park, Texas. 259-61p

FOR SALE—S. C. Rhode Island Red eggs \$1.00 per setting, call at 1807 Elizabeth or phone Roy Brazelate at 442. 260-11c

FARMS AND RANCHES

FOR SALE—10 acres of land about two miles southeast of Post Office. See J. M. Blankenship, owner. 241-11c

OIL LAND FOR SALE—Fee simple, 80 acres near Electra, Texas, right in the heart of the oil fields. Address W. I. Geer, Colquitt, Ga. 263-261c

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If you believe the zone dry law is going to hurt Wichita Falls, we have a client who offers to trade revenue producing property in St. Louis for Wichita Falls business or residence property.

We have buyers for sure enough bargains, either in residence or business property. Stehlik & Baber

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Is unquestionably the place for most attractive homes. It is a beautiful location, unlike anything else in the city. Expensive homes should have picturesque surroundings and lots of yard room for beautiful lawn, trees, flowers, etc.

You will be surprised how cheap some of these lots can be purchased, either in pairs, half or whole block.

We make the price. Act now. Telephone us your wants. HUEY & COTTON Office suite 306—Kepp & Keil Bldg. Phone 1578 and 2036

Wichita Falls Boy Is Upon Destroyer Which Was Praised

A Wichita Falls boy, David Lee Morgan, is a member of the crew of the U. S. destroyer Parker, which received high praise from the British admiralty for its work in rescuing the survivors of the British hospital ship, Guildford Castle. Morgan is an electrician on the crew of this ship and is a son of M. D. Morgan of this city.

When Mr. Morgan read of the report of the British admiralty's bookmaster, he praised he knew for the second time in months of the whereabouts of his son. The other time was when he had a letter from his son from London where he was on a furlough. His other letters have borne the date line "With the American Naval Forces in Europe."

In telling of the rescue by the destroyer Parker, Thomas James McNamara, financial secretary for the British admiralty said the admiralty profoundly appreciated the seamanship and very great gallantry displayed by the American destroyer Parker in rescuing nine survivors of the Gleonar castle, which was sunk in the Bristol Channel late in February.

NOTICES

THE WICHITA FALLS RAILWAY COMPANY NOTICE

Wichita Falls, Tex., February 23, 1918. Public notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of stockholders of The Wichita Falls Railway Company will be held at the general office of said Company in the City of Wichita Falls, Wichita County, Texas, on Saturday, the thirtieth day of March, 1918, at two o'clock P. M. for the election of a board of seven directors and for the transaction of such other business as may come before said meeting.

Notice is also hereby given that the annual meeting of the Board of Directors of said The Wichita Falls Railway Company will be held on the same day immediately after the adjournment of said stockholders' meeting. President, C. E. SCHAFF, Secretary, A. W. EICHENBERGER. 250-261c

THE WICHITA FALLS & NORTHWESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY OF TEXAS NOTICE

Wichita Falls, Tex., February 23, 1918. Public notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of stockholders of The Wichita Falls & Northwestern Railway Company of Texas will be held at the general office of said Company in the City of Wichita Falls, Wichita County, Texas, on Saturday, the thirtieth day of March, 1918, at one o'clock P. M. for the election of a board of seven directors and for the transaction of such other business as may come before said meeting.

Notice is also hereby given that the annual meeting of the Board of Directors of said The Wichita Falls & Northwestern Railway Company of Texas will be held at the same place and on the same day immediately after the adjournment of said stockholders' meeting. President, C. E. SCHAFF, Secretary, A. W. EICHENBERGER. 250-261c

THE WICHITA FALLS & SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY NOTICE

Wichita Falls, Tex., February 23, 1918. Public notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of stockholders of The Wichita Falls & Southern Railway Company will be held at the general office of said Company in the City of Wichita Falls, Wichita County, Texas, on Saturday, the thirtieth day of March, 1918, at one o'clock P. M. for the election of a board of nine directors and for the transaction of such other business as may come before said meeting.

Notice is also hereby given that the annual meeting of the Board of Directors of said The Wichita Falls & Southern Railway Company will be held at the same place and on the same day immediately after the adjournment of said stockholders' meeting. President, C. E. SCHAFF, Secretary, A. W. EICHENBERGER. 250-261c

WICHITA FALLS & WELLINGTON RAILWAY COMPANY NOTICE

Wichita Falls, Tex., February 23, 1918. Public notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of stockholders of Wichita Falls & Wellington Railway Company of Texas will be held at the general office of said Company in the City of Wichita Falls, Wichita County, Texas, on Saturday, the thirtieth day of March, 1918, at 2:30 o'clock P. M. for the election of a board of seven directors and for the transaction of such other business as may come before said meeting.

Notice is also hereby given that the annual meeting of the Board of Directors of said The Wichita Falls & Wellington Railway Company will be held at the same place and on the same day immediately after the adjournment of said stockholders' meeting. President, C. E. SCHAFF, Secretary, A. W. EICHENBERGER. 250-261c

MAGNOLIA COMPANY WELL GOOD FOR 200 BARRELS

More definite information concerning the Magnolia Petroleum Company's well southwest of Duncan has been received here.

The well is believed to be good for 150 to 200 barrels. The flow is from a sand at 215 feet, this being the first well encountered after the red beds have been penetrated. The well is on Section 22, thirteen and a half miles southwest of Duncan.

Petrograd, Wednesday, March 13.—A strong German detachment is reported to have occupied Abo on the coast of Finland, west of Helsinki. The Germans immediately began to march into the interior of Finland.

FOR SALE OR TRADE

Number one stock of hardware in Burk Burnett doing splendid business and making money.

Bakery and restaurant; big trade already built up. Good location in brick building.

Stock dry goods in best location in town, brick building, building will be for rent.

Picture show and best equipment. Crowded house every night and making money.

If interested in real estate, oil leases close to production, or leases with production, come to see us. We have the proposition you are looking for. HARWELL & LOGAN, Burk Burnett, Texas Office—First National Bank Bldg.

Do You Know

That you can buy lots in the Sunshin Hill district now for \$25.00 that will cost you \$50.00 within the next ten days?

Write or call Park Oil Co. Other military orders, United States which revision of trained military process already has been assigned of a number of generals physically un- service in France to divisions in this country.

THE PATRIOTIC STORE

Wichita Falls Chapter No. 237 meets first and third Tuesday and third Thursday nights in each month. N. M. CLIFFORD, Sec. J. W. WALKUP, Sec.

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INTER-SCHOLASTIC MEET TO BE HELD ON MARCH THIRTY

ELECTRA WILL BE PLACE. ALL ENTRIES MUST BE IN MARCH 20.

Saturday, March 30, the annual county inter-scholastic meet will be held at Electra and County Director R. M. Johnson, principal of the Austin School, announces that all who intend to enter must have their applications in by March 20. Quite a large number of entries is expected from the local schools, both the high school and the older students in the grades. The Austin school promises to have at least one entry in each event and the high school will probably have a like representation. Reports have not yet been heard from the other schools of the city or county but enough entries to make the contest a very interesting one is anticipated. The morning will be devoted to the literary contests. At 9 o'clock the spelling and debating contests will begin and at 10 o'clock the declaration contest will commence. The track and field events start at 1 o'clock in the afternoon.

SEVEN AERIAL FIGHTS REPORTED IN FRANCE

By Associated Press. London, Thursday, March 14.—There was seven aerial fighting on the western front. Wednesday between large groups of British and German machines and British airmen accounted for twenty four of the enemy. The official statement on aviation adds that five British machines are missing.

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Austin School Will Play Buyers Team on Saturday Afternoon

Saturday afternoon at 2.30 the Austin school baseball team will play the Byers High school team on the Austin school grounds, according to announcement from the Austin school athletic department. The game is called for 2:30 promptly. The Austin school lineup follows: Robert McAbes, p; Bill Street, c; Verna Leggett, 1b; Dick Steed, 2b; Lester Pland, 3b; Leo Haney, s; Arwell Holman, r. f.; Porter Kromer, c. f.; Elgin Colburn, l. f.

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More Ship Contracts Let By Government For 1919 Delivery

By Associated Press. Washington, Mar. 14.—Contracts for ten steel ships of 3,000 tons each were let by the shipping board today to the McDougal-Daluth Company of Duluth. They call for delivery of all the vessels in 1919. Contracts also were let to the Baltimore dry dock and Shipbuilding Company for construction of six steel tankers of 6,000 tons each and to the Hartman-Grelling Company of Green Bay, Wis., for two steel tug-boats.

"BRINGING UP FATHER ABROAD" McMANUS MUSICAL COMEDY

A howling success is "Bringing Up Father Abroad," the latest edition of the famous George McManus musical comedy series fashioned from the world renowned comic cartoons. Every theatre-goer in the land has roared over the original productions with side-splitting "Jiggs Mahoney," as the Father of the Mahoney family, just as every reader of the comic cartoons of the newspapers of the country have laughed uproariously at the newspaper fun of the family as shown in the caricatures.

Interspersed with incidental music, songs that lift, dances that keep the feet tapping and comedians and girls that never permit a dull moment, "Bringing Up Father Abroad" is pronounced the funniest of all the screaming series. The new production comes to the Wichita Theatre March 20 and 21st. "It's a castle in Ireland, 'Jiggs' old home that starts the fun ball skidding in the new piece, 'Jiggs' and Mrs. Jiggs, after deciding to pay a visit to their home in the 'Old Dart,' become the prey of a pair of smart sharpers on the way over, one of the results of which is that 'Jiggs' buys a castle in Ireland that the sharpers have no more right to sell than they would to give someone the Brooklyn Bridge. Everywhere along the line so far this season, where the piece has been presented the hilarity reports reach the highwater mark, with the effect

that standing room at every performance is the invariable rule of all engagements.

Deaths Filed for Record. Mrs. M. M. Adickes to Mrs. S. J. Naylor and James K. Naylor; lot 10, block 25, Floral Heights Addition to city of Wichita Falls, \$3,100. R. E. Huff et al to J. B. Crockett, lot 11, block 13, Southland addition to city of Wichita Falls, \$975. J. L. McConkey and wife to Mrs. Bessie Traweek, lot 3, block A, J. A. Kemp's addition to city of Wichita Falls, \$2,000.

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| Bromo Quinine Tablets, 30 cper box, our cut price .. 25c | Ender Safety Razor Blades, 25c per pkge., cut price 20c | Nujol American Mineral Oil, 75c size, our price .. 65c |
| Dodson's Livertone, price 60c, our cut price .. 50c | Gillette Razor Blades, 50c size, our cut price .. 45c | Mentholatum, 25c size, our cut price .. 20c |
| Wine of Cardui, \$1.00 size, our cut price .. 85c | Premium Pencils, big value—2 for .. 5c | Mentholatum, 50c size, our cut price .. 40c |
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By Associated Press. London, March 15.—"Our raiding parties entered the enemy's lines last night west of Villers-Guislain and brought back a few prisoners" says today's official communication. "Hostile raids were repulsed in the neighborhoods of Pesechendale and Poelcappelle. "Ours and the enemy's artillery showed some activity during the night southwest and west of Cambrai, south

POLAND AND GERMANY MAY BE RECONCILED

By Associated Press. Amsterdam, Thursday, March 14.—Active negotiations are in progress for a reconciliation between Germany and Poland. A new solution of the Polish situation will be announced shortly, according to the Kurjer Polak of Warsaw.

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