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### RED CROSS MEETS.

The Executive Committee of the Sonora Chapter of the Red Cross meets on the first Monday in every month.

### Notice to All Auto Owners.

Those who have not paid their 1919 automobile license tax are not only liable for a penalty already, but are subject to criminal prosecution and heavy punishment. This law will be strictly enforced, and all delinquents arrested and tried. Even if you have paid your license tax you are warned to display the 1919 blue seal on your car as provided by law, or else you will be subject to arrest and prosecution for that.

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### COUNTY TREASURER'S QUARTERLY REPORT.

In the matter of County finances in the hands of E. W. Hargrave, Treasurer of Sutton County, Texas, Commissioners' Court Sutton County, Texas, in regular Quarterly Session, February term, 1919.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, as County Commissioners within and for said Sutton County, and the Hon. W. E. Hodges County Judge of said Sutton County, constituting the entire Commissioners' Court of said County, and each one of us, do hereby certify that on this, the 11th day of February A. D. 1919 at a regular quarterly term of our said Court, we have compared and examined the quarterly report of E. W. Hargrave, Treasurer of Sutton County, Texas, for the quarter beginning on the 10th day of N v 1918, and ending on the 10th day of Feb 1919, and finding the same correct have caused an order to be entered upon the minutes of the Commissioners' Court of Sutton County, stating the approval of said Treasurer's Report by our said Court, which said order was accordingly the amount received and paid out of each fund by said County Treasurer since the last report to this Court, and for and during the time covered by his present report, and the balance of each fund remaining in said Treasurer's hands on the said 10th day of February A. D. 1919, and have ordered the proper credits to be made in the accounts of said County Treasurer, in accordance with said order as required by Article 867 Chapter 1, Title XXV, of the Revised Statutes of Texas, as amended by an Act of the Twenty-fifth Legislature of Texas, at its regular session, approved March 20, 1897.

And we, each of us, further certify that we have actually and fully inspected and counted all the actual cash and assets in hands of the said Treasurer belonging to Sutton County at the close of the examination of said Treasurer's Report, on this the 10th day of Feb. A. D. 1919 and find the same to be as follows, to wit:

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<b>JURY FUND 1st Class</b>		
Balance on hand, December 2nd 1918	481 57	
To amount received since said date	81 04	
By amount disbursed since said date		155 73
By amount to balance		413 50
<b>Total</b>	<b>562 61</b>	<b>562 61</b>
To balance in fund		413 50
<b>ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND 2nd Class</b>		
Balance on hand December 2, 1918	2374 45	
To amount received since said date	980 73	
By amount distributed since said date		24 76
By amount to balance		340 42
<b>Total</b>	<b>3355 18</b>	<b>365 18</b>
To Balance in Fund		35.0 42
<b>GENERAL FUND 3rd Class</b>		
Balance on hand December 2, 1918	5029 92	
To amount received since said date	9,10 87	
By amount disbursed since said date		2087 01
By amount to balance		1283 78
<b>Total</b>	<b>14180 79</b>	<b>14780 79</b>
To Balance in Fund		12693 78
<b>COURT HOUSE AND JAIL FUND 4th Class</b>		
Balance on hand December 2, 1918	643 91	
To amount received since said date	1585 16	
By amount disbursed since said date		39 62
By amount to balance		2189 45
<b>Total</b>	<b>2229 07</b>	<b>2229 07</b>
To Balance in Fund		2189 45
<b>ROAD FUND 5th Class</b>		
Balance on hand December 2, 1918	3800 28	
To amount received since said date	806 09	
By amount disbursed since said date		685 01
By amount to balance		1141 96
<b>Total</b>	<b>4606 37</b>	<b>1226 97</b>
To balance in fund		11681 96
<b>HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE FUND</b>		
Balance on hand December 2, 1918	1688 45	
To amount received since said date	600 46	
By amount disbursed since said date		15 02
By amount to balance		2284 39
<b>Total</b>	<b>2289 41</b>	<b>2269 41</b>
To balance in Fund		2254 39
<b>TICK FUND [Special]</b>		
Balance on hand December 2, 1918	27 10	
To amount received since said date	3662 59	
By amount disbursed since said date		201 57
By amount to balance		3788 42
<b>Total</b>	<b>3890 29</b>	<b>3889 99</b>
To balance in fund		3788 42

Date	RECAPITULATION	Amount
Feb 10	Balance Jury Fund on this day	413 50
Feb 10	Balance to credit of Road Fund on this day	35 04
Feb 10	Balance to credit of General Fund on this day	12693 78
Feb 10	Balance to credit of Court House & Jail Fund this day	2189 45
Feb 10	Balance to credit of Road Maintenance Fund on this day	11681 96
Feb 10	Balance to credit of Highway Maintenance Fund on this day	2254 39
Feb 10	Balance to credit of Tick Special Fund this day	3788 42
	<b>Total Cash on hand belonging to Sutton County in the hands of said Treasurer as actually counted by us</b>	<b>36262 33</b>

**ASSETS**  
In addition to the actual cash as above, we find the following assets belonging to the said County, and to the credit of the following funds, which is also in the possession and custody of the said Treasurer, to-wit: 10 Sonora Independent School District School House Bonds [\$500.00] each—\$500.00.

	BONDED INDEBTEDNESS	Amount
	To be as follows, to-wit:	
	3 Road and Bridge Bonds (1000.00)	\$ 3000.00
	20 Court House and Jail Bonds (1000.00)	\$20000.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$23000.00</b>

Witness our hands, officially, this 11th day of Feb. 1919, W. E. Hodges, County Judge, E. S. Long, Commissioner Precinct No. 1; J. W. Wilson, Commissioner Precinct No. 2; W. H. Kelley, Commissioner Precinct No. 4.  
Sworn to and subscribed before me, by W. E. Hodges, County Judge, and E. S. Long and J. W. Wilson, and W. H. Kelley County Commissioners of said Sutton County, each respectively, on this the 11th day of February A. D. 1919.  
(seal) J. D. LOWREY,  
County Clerk, Sutton County, Texas.

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Sonora, Texas. - March 1, 1919.

#### WOMAN'S CLUB.

The Women's Club will meet hereafter in the Woodman's Hall.

#### SCHOOL CENSUS.

J. A. Leach has been appointed to take the Fobolastic Census for the Sonora Independent School District. This Census must be taken during the month of March and all children from 7 to 17 years must be enrolled. The fee for taking this census is very small and the Board of Trustees requests that you make report to Mr. Leach in case he should be unable to see you when he calls.  
Geo. J. Trainer,  
793 Secretary School Board.

#### TAG DAY.

Sonora Parents-Teachers Club will observe March 3rd as "Tag Day." Do your share.

President Wilson says next the duty of doing everything possible for the soldiers at the front, there could be no more patriotic duty than that of protecting the children who constitute one-third of our population. "Tag Day" March 3rd for Child-Welfare.

#### Raised Quota for Relief in Near East in One Day.

H. P. Allison circulated Monday the subscription list for the \$600 quota that Sutton county was expected to give to the fund for the "Relief of the People of the Near East" and that evening wired Governor Hobby and the State Chairman that Sonora and Sutton county had raised its quota.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Stites were in from the ranch this week.

W. A. Anderson, the San Angelo attorney, was in Sonora this week attending district court.

Roy Valliant of the Middle Valley country was in town Saturday and said they had recently had a letter from his brothers Devers and Arch Valliant who are with the forces in France.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wharton were in town Monday from the Ed Glass cock Franks Defeat ranon. Mr. Wharton says his wife's family has given up hope of her brother being alive. The War department is arranging for the paying of the insurance the young man carried for the benefit of his mother.

Mrs. Stokes Williams who is teaching in Meard, was in Sonora Saturday and Sunday on a visit to relatives. She was accompanied by Miss Connie Miller of San Saba and Miss Nellie Murcison of Meard. Mrs. Williams is expecting and hoping for the early return from France of her soldier husband.

Phone No. 3, for honest loads of any kind of wood Hauling to any part of the county. 51

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#### A VERY INTERESTING LETTER FROM W. T. BENSON.

Nice, France, Jan. 3, 1919.  
T. L. Benson, Sonora, Texas.  
Dear Dad:—Received your letter written from Sanderson before I left St. Nazaire.

In company with three others, a sergeant 1c, and a sergeant 2c, and a private we left St. Nazaire the day after Christmas and arrived in Paris the next morning. It was meeting all the day, nevertheless we took in nearly all the sights. The main things we saw were the Arch of Triumph, the Grand and Petit Palace, the Invalides, Napoleon's Tomb and Euffie Tower. They were taking the sand bags from Napoleon's Tomb. This is a wonderful sight and I could not begin to describe it. There were several other leaders of the Revolution buried in the same building. More interesting to me were the suits of armor worn by princes and kings as far back as the 12th century, there were also many famous pictures, sets of furniture, statues, saddles of Louis 14 and Napoleon both gold but much different. German and English fire arms were made. There was one flag devoted entirely to the Revolution another to the Empire, filled with pictures and statues of Bonapart and his generals, both Ney and Desaix seem to be the most popular. In a curio shop in Paris a signature of Napoleon was placed at 1,000 francs or about \$200.

The things of chief interest which we liked to see were the Cathedral of Notre Dame, Lafayette's grave, the Bastille and the Palace at Versailles, but we have another day there going back.

We came through Lyons which is a very beautiful city. In Marseille we spent two days, not being able to make train connections. This city which is next to Paris in size, is like New York, in the different nationalities seen there. Spanish, Italian, Egyptian, Moroc, Turk, nearly every kind even the Japanese, while there is a whole Jew town as also here in Nice. This city was founded by the Greeks but there is nothing of interest much except the Chateau d'If on so island a mile or so in the harbor which dates back before the Middle Century.

On our arrival in Nice we were taken to one of the best hotels in the city and I lay it to the sporty appearance of our Sergeant 1c, we obtained the best rooms and accommodation, which was certainly a relief. Am writing now in the S. O. O. which is at least sixty by two hundred feet, supported by marble pillars and lined with mirrors. The orchestra plays every night and at noon times.

Day before yesterday we visited Monte Carlo, Menton and the Italian border. We went again to Monte Carlo yesterday but arrived

too late to see anything much. Am sending you post cards of the country which will describe it better than I. The first day we visited Roman ruins near Nice. There is an old amphitheater here about two hundred feet in diameter. On the rise from Marseille to Nice this site of Toulon I saw from the train another amphitheater which, a French Lieut. told me was remarkably preserved. We saw on the trip near Nice, an old chapel dating back to the 15th century. That afternoon we went to the ruins of a fort built in 826 by a Charles, who gave Nice a free harbor. The ancient ruins, nearly all lie on the top of mountains which are foot hills of the Alps, but not small at that. There is an old Roman road (reconstructed) in these mountains near the sea. On our trip to Monaco yesterday we intended to visit La Furbie which is on the top of the mountain near Monaco and is an old Chateau or Castle, and also has a monument which dates to 7 B C. It is about twenty-five miles from here to the Italian border and on our trip there we were to have returned by the mountain road—but the driver made such bad time (he did not own the carriage) that we had to return the same route. "We only paid them 120: \$24." We were to have returned again today, but the top Sergeant met a Madamose who speaks French, Spanish, Italian and American so we will go tomorrow.

The accommodations extended by the A. E. F. are as much as could be expected by anyone. So far the men have behaved well. Any place, hotel or resort which does not come up to the moral standard prescribed, restricted to American soldiers, and a dozen or so M. P.'s stationed around them, so it is to the interests of the civilians that they purify them and let them out of the restrictions. This is a very clean city as well as beautiful. We leave on the seventh for Paris and if we make good connections we will get two days there. Am having a fine time, have plenty of money and the only thing I look forward to is that the boat sailing West Texas hills look better than these mountains to me.

With best regards,  
W. T. Benson.

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#### Parents-Teachers Club.

At the request of the Sonora Parents-Teachers Club extended through Miss Blanton, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, the Honorable Jack Johnson, of Ellis county, Chairman of the House Committee on Education in the Legislature, made Sonora a visit Sunday and conferred with the Board of Trustees and addressed a large audience in the School House Auditorium Sunday night on the subject of education. Mr. Johnson is a student school teacher and has made deep research into what might constitute the best statutes in the interest of education and educational institutions. In his remarks Mr. Johnson expressed himself as pleased and surprised at the advantages the children of the Sonora country have in the matter of education and the interest the public has made manifest in this matter, encouraged him to say that he would assist the community in their desires for advancement and perfection of the work so well started. Mr. Johnson was introduced by Chas. B. Metcalfe of San Angelo, who was associated with him in the preceding legislature. Mr. Metcalfe having been presented to the audience by Jewel Matthews, Superintendent of the School, who praised the good work already being done by the Parents-Teachers Club.

A musical reading by Mrs. Cope and a duet by Mesdames W. E. Caldwell and W. Trainer as well as the singing by the audience of "America" and "Columbia, The Gem of the Ocean" at the opening and close made the occasion of the Hon. Jack Johnson's visit profitable and entertaining.

Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Wilkinson were in town Monday from the Owenville country.

Mrs. E. F. Vander Stucken came up from San Antonio Saturday for a short visit to her husband.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Kirkland were in from the ranch Monday. Mr. Kirkland is attending court.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Robbins of the Owenville neighborhood were in town several days this week.

Frank Decker, Notary Public Sutton County, Texas, office with T. L. Benson Agency.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kelley of the Baker Bungalow ranch on Buffalo, were in town Monday visiting.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Bailey of Owenville, were in town Monday, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chris Wyatt, parents of Mrs. Bailey.

Bruce Drake, Harry Friend and Asa Robinson, well-known stock men of Ozona, were in Sonora this week.

G. P. Hill the sheepman who ranches 22 miles west of Sonora was in town Monday. Giles says the way to get off the jury is to have a case in court.

W. T. Day accompanied his sister Miss Day of Rocksprings to Sonora Saturday. Miss Day is a milliner at Rocksprings and was on the way to Dallas to buy goods.

W. S. White of Stephenville, arrived Tuesday to take a position in the Sonora High school to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Garrett the principal.

G. W. Archer, the rock mason, was in town Monday. He has just finished a 50,000 gallon tank for Will Wilson.

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#### TEXAS LEADS IN NUMBERS BUT IS THIRD IN VALUE OF LIVESTOCK.

Texas in 1918 was pressing Iowa for the national leadership in the aggregate value of livestock. On January 1 of this year it had dropped behind Illinois and was in third in the nation. This is the surprising feature of Secretary Houston's farm census just made public.

The total value of cattle, sheep, hogs, horses and mules on Texas farms Jan. 1 was \$455,000,000, a decrease from the \$462,000,000 of the previous year. The other two of the nation's three top-liners showed increases. Iowa jumped from \$687,000,000 to \$745,000,000, and Illinois ascended from \$444,000,000 to \$492,000,000.

The Lone Star State maintained a big lead on the other States of the Union in cattle. Its 3,661,000 estimate of milk cows, topped Nebraska in second place by more than a million—Nebraska's figures being 2,940,000 head. Iowa had 2,861,000 head and Kansas had 2,401,000. None of the other States went above the two million mark.

Though Texas continued to lead there was a falling off of 15 per cent from the 4,460,000 cattle it had on Jan. 1 previous. Nebraska neither increased nor decreased, Iowa fell off and Kansas gained slightly. The total number of cattle in the United States on Jan. 1 was 67,866,000.

The number of cattle on Texas farms was more than any of these countries: Cuba, Denmark, Japan, Korea, The Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Spain, Sweden and Switzerland.

The total value of Texas cattle on Jan. 1st was \$145,765,000, as against \$160,804,000 for the year previous. The value per head of cattle of all ages in Texas on Jan. 1 was \$36.80 a considerable increase over the \$34.40 of a year before. The value per head was: Under 1 year, \$21.50; 1 year and under 2, \$32; over 2 years, \$41.

Texas had fewer horses on Jan. 1 than at any time since 1915, the big purchase for war purposes bringing the number down to 1,164,000, a fall back of 4 per cent from the 1,212,000 of the year previous. Here the Lone Star State again ranked behind Iowa and Illinois.

The aggregate value of these Texas horses was \$29,922,000, as against \$33,324,000 a year before. The average value of horses of all ages was \$78, a dollar more than a year before.

In mules Texas lead the world, not only was its 792,000 on Jan. 1, 74,000 more than the combined main population of Missouri and Georgia, which stood in second and third place, respectively, but it was more than any foreign country possessed. Texas mules died gloriously in every battle sector on the Western front, in the Balkans, Russia, and even found their way with the victorious British Army into Palestine.

The total value of these mules on Texas farms, \$91,080,000, an increase from the \$86,456,000 of a year before. The average value of mules of all ages in Texas was \$115 against the \$107 of the previous year.

Texas stood tenth in the number of sheep, being ranked by Wyoming, Idaho, New Mexico, Montana, California, Ohio, Utah, Oregon and Colorado in the order named. The number of these animals in Texas on Jan. 1 was 2,232,000, an increase of 2 per cent in a year, the figure being 2,188,000 on Jan. 1, 1918.

The total value of Texas sheep was \$20,981,000, as against \$16,410,000 the year previous. In 1916 the value of sheep in Texas was \$7,977,000. On Jan. 1 sheep of all ages in Texas were worth \$9.40, against \$7.50 of a year before. Lambs were worth \$6.40; ewes, 1 year and over, \$10; wethers, 1 year and over, \$9.50; rams, \$21.

For the entire Nation in a year horses decreased 21,000, mules increased 52,000, milk cows increased 157,000, other cattle increased 287,000, sheep increased 1,260,000, swine increased 4,609,000.

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#### DISTRICT COURT.

District Court convened in Sonora Monday, February 24th, with Hon. James Cornell, Judge of the 81st Judicial District, presiding with R. D. Blades, District Attorney, C. D. Proffit, Court Stenographer, J. D. Lowrey, District Clerk and B. W. Hutcherson, Sheriff in attendance.

The following grand jury was empaneled: J. E. Robbins, W. W. Williamson, L. R. Thorp, G. B. Hamilton, W. L. Adwell, E. M. Kirkland, Claude Keene, S. L. Shroyer, Joe F. Logan, S. E. McKnight, R. H. Martin, J. D. Eaton. The following were empaneled as petit jurors: G. W. Archer, J. G. Barton, J. R. Beard, J. R. Davis, W. J. Fields, J. E. Grimland, Fred Hull, J. T. McClelland, D. H. Mitchell, T. L. Miller, C. E. Stites, R. J. Ridley, Theo Sayell, J. T. Shurley, J. W. Trainer, C. D. Wyatt, J. M. Puckett, Troy White, C. T. Jones, E. M. Peters, A. T. Stuart, Ira L. Shurley.

441—State vs Juan Flores, cutting fence. Defendant tried and given one year.

442—State vs Dan Flores, cutting fence. Defendant tried. Given 1 year.

443—State vs Simon Campus, cutting fence. Given two years with suspended sentence. Released upon recognizance.

444—State vs G. M. Valle, forgery and passing forged instrument. Continued.

447-448—State vs E. L. Kiser, theft of sheep and concealing stolen property, continued by agreement.

429—State vs C. F. Adams, unlawfully carrying a pistol. Verdict not guilty.

449—State vs Seferino Garcia, theft of bicycle. 30 days in jail and fine of \$25.

450—State vs Crockett Evans, burglary. Plead guilty. Two years.

451—State vs Crockett Evans, same as above, dismissed.

459—Live stock Sanitary Commission of Texas vs B. W. Hutcherson, sheriff of Sutton County, and Mears & Wilkin, suit for writ of Mandamus, dismissed for want of prosecution.

460—L. C. Smith vs Henry Wilson, suit on notes and foreclosure of mortgage, dismissed at plaintiff's cost.

461—L. C. Smith vs Henry Wilson, suit for writ of Attachment, dismissed at cost of plaintiff.

462—Sonora Mercantile Co., vs Mrs. O. M. Wall, suit on note, dismissed, costs paid.

463—Sonora Mercantile Co., vs W. N. Kelley et al., suit on note.

464—K. F. Vander Stucken vs W. N. Kelley, suit on note.

386—Cornell & Wardlaw vs J. C. May field. Suit for attorneys fees.

448—B. P. Cooper vs Ed. L. Mears, Will Wilkinson. Suit for injunction. Dismissed at cost of plaintiff.

437—State vs Giles Hill, violating Sheep Scab Law. Continued by State.

439—State vs Evaristo Partino, giving or selling liquor to a minor. Dismissed by State Attorney.

440—State vs Gerimino Garcia, using disloyal language. Continued by Court to await decision of Court of Appeals in B. F. Meckel case.

W. E. Wallace who several months ago resigned his position with the Sonora Garage to join the Army, is back on his old job in charge of the vulcanizing department. Mr. Wallace was stationed on the ground at Kelley Field and has just received his discharge.

First class Seaman Delma Smith has been given an indefinite furlough from the Navy and arrived home Tuesday. On his 18th birthday day he enlisted in the Navy and during his 10 months service was stationed at Mare Island, Calif., where he was on tug boat work which gave him his advancement more quickly than had he been otherwise employed. The clouds may have silver linings but the glittering waves are not gold by any means thinks Delma.

#### The WOMANLESS WEDDING

The Womanless Wedding given under the auspices of the Sonora Woman's Club at the School Auditorium Monday night, was a genuine success both as entertainment and for funds, and the people of Sonora may anticipate the pleasure of pointing with pride to the Court House Park as a sample of Civic attractiveness.

As is the custom at weddings the audience of 600 people were present early and standing room was hard to find when the invited guests, distinguished visitors and bridal party arrived. The arrivals were announced by Prof. Jewel Matthews in such inimitable manner that the entertainment was assured from the start and with each succeeding impersonation the house was in an uproar and the merriment never ceased and the blues were driven away and every heart was merry as a wedding bell. Some of those present still believe that the committee slipped in some girls, because men could not be so pretty, etc., so the following list of those taking part is here given for the conviction of the doubters:

**GUESTS.**  
Uncle Sam ..... L. R. Thorp  
Army ..... Beber Wyatt  
Navy ..... Vernon Hamilton  
President Wilson ..... Mike Murphy  
Mrs. Wilson ..... J. A. Cope  
Hoover ..... Tom Drieskel  
Gov. Hobby ..... Addison McDonald  
Mr. Hobby ..... D. R. Mitchell  
Charlie Chaplain ..... W. Cochran  
Dude ..... Rev. S. C. Luna

**BRIDE'S FAMILY.**  
Mother ..... Fred Simmons  
Little sister ..... Frank Eaton  
Maiden aunt ..... Joe Brasher  
**BIDEGROOM'S FAMILY.**  
Father ..... H. P. Allison  
Alother ..... M. M. Stokes  
Little Will ..... Cyrus Ogden

**VISIONS.**  
Alma Gluch ..... A. B. Sikes  
Billy Sunday ..... Claude Keene  
Ma Sunday ..... Woodie Martin  
Tetrazzina ..... Emmet Archer  
Douglas Fairbanks ..... Harry Keese  
Mary Pickford ..... Jim Decker  
Bryan ..... B. M. Halbert  
Mrs. Vernon Castle ..... Tommy Bond  
Chamandee ..... David Hebert  
Solo by Alma Gluch—"The Sunshine of Your Smile."

**WEDDING PARTY.**  
Preacher ..... J. W. Trainer  
Brides Maids—Carl Morrow, Harmon Neil, Henry Decker, Ralph Trainer. Maid of Honor—Harold Saunders  
Flower Girls—B. W. Hutcherson and Paehal Holland.  
Ring Bearer—Little Geo. Trainer  
Bride ..... Geo. J. Trainer  
Father ..... E. M. Peters  
Bridegroom ..... Frank Decker  
Best Man ..... L. W. Elliott  
Solo by Maid of Honor—"Little Grey Home in the West."

**Income Tax Returns.**  
Income Tax returns must be in the hands of the Collector of Internal Revenue or Deputy Collector by March 15.

Dputy Collector J. T. Hughes will be in Sonora March 4 and 5 at the First National bank, for the purpose of assisting tax payers in making returns.

The Woman's Club wishes to thank the players and the public for the success of the entertainment. The net proceeds amounted to \$170 which includes a donation of \$5 from the Dew Drop Inn.

George L. Adwell had as his guests in the Womanless Wedding and dance Monday night Mesdames Mertz, Westbrook and Develen and Captain Chaney of San Angelo.

Mrs. Theo Savell and daughter Miss Velma Savell, and Miss Wynona Grimland made a visit to San Angelo Tuesday.



# Too Bad!

It's too bad that so many women suffer day after day from nervous troubles when they can get relief so easily. For 30 years DR. MILES' NERVINE has been helping people suffering from nervous disorders to regain their health and happiness.

Mrs. W. S. Allison, Glendale, Calif., writes: "I suffered severely from female weakness and catarrh brought on by nervous exhaustion. My nerves were a complete wreck. Dr. Miles' Nervine was the only medicine that helped me. It restored me to health and happiness."

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Let's finish the job.

Let's pay our debts. The Government has spent billions of dollars to save us from ruin and disgrace. We must pay the bill.

Ever know the joy of saving? It's the grandest feeling!

Save now and later be able to buy that "something" you have always longed for.

Carry out your savings pledge if you made one; or make one right now.

Buy of your War Savings Society, or bank, postoffice, store.

Thrift Stamps and War Savings Stamps.

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### IRISHMAN'S LUCK,

Private Charles M. Davies of the Canadian army, a Los Angeles man, has his own supply of war jokes.

He tells about the little clusters of white crosses that are always found back of the third line trenches. Each cross is marked "Unknown R. I. P." These initials are susceptible to varying interpretation. The Canadians say they mean "Rest in Pieces," which is sometimes literally true. The Americans have other theories.

"The other day as I was passing one of the little gardens," Davies writes, "I ran into a couple of Yanks giving the R. I. P. crosses the once over. 'By golly,' one of them said, 'the Royal Irish Police must have got a h—l of a licking around here.'"

### PREFERENCE FOR IMPROMPTU.

"What would you do with the ex-kaiser?"  
"That's one of those cases," said Cactus Joe, "where I don't see any necessity of plannin' ahead. If I was to get a chance at him I'd trust myself to think of something appropriate on the spur of the moment."

### WEST INDIES TELEPHONES.

The telephone systems of Hayti and the Dominican republic have recently been connected. It is now possible to communicate between the principal towns of the two republics.

Telephone messages are written out in this country the same as telegrams in the United States. They are then transmitted by the telephone operator.

### BEFORE THE WAR.

Maybe you also remember the good old times when a person could buy a nickel's worth of cheese and crackers and get some of both.—Dallas News.

### SOPHISTICATION.

"What did your little ones say when you told them there is no Santa Claus?"  
"They asked me if I was just finding it out."

### ITS CLASS.

"What do you think is the best kind for a Christmas tree?"  
"As long as it must be of the trim kind, I should suggest it be spruce."

### HOMEOPATHIC REASON.

"Why did the Turks practically give up the straits?"  
"Because they found themselves in them."

**SHELLEY'S WORK IN DEMAND**  
Pamphlet Which Poet Wrote and Gave Away Now Eagerly Bid for by Collectors.

Three hundred and fifty pounds, or \$1,750, is the price set in the catalogue of a famous London firm of dealers in rare books and manuscripts upon a copy of a pamphlet that was originally written to be given away.

This pamphlet is the poet Shelley's "Address to the Irish People," in which he advocated home rule and Catholic emancipation. As soon as it was printed he threw copies from the balcony of his lodgings in lower Sackville street, Dublin. He was then twenty-one—it was in 1812—and was in Dublin for the purpose of applying his youthful ideas of reforming the world.

As the poet himself wrote, "I stand at the balcony of our window and watch till I see a man who looks likely—I throw a book at him."

The copy of Shelley's address which is now to be sold, of course, a very special one; it is, in fact, the one that he sent to his father, and contains the poet's autographed corrections. The pamphlet has several times fetched over \$500, so collectors especially American ones, are not likely to haggle over the figure that is now set upon it.

**A SPECIAL PRIVILEGE.**  
Say, Kid, tell you wot I'll do: You go sit your Ma's biggest dish pan an' I'll let you sit on it an' listen to your fire cracker go off underneath!

### FIGHT YELLOW FEVER.

Dr. George R. Vincent, president of the Rockefeller foundation, announced recently that with the cessation of hostilities in France the foundation was prepared to direct its activities, largely diverted into war channels, back into ways of peace. Its international health board would renew at once in cooperation with local authorities in South and Central America its combat against yellow fever.

Dr. William C. Gorgas, retired from the post of surgeon general on account of age, soon will sail to take charge of the foundation's fight against yellow fever. The position of director of yellow fever work, which General Gorgas now occupies, was his, Doctor Vincent says, until the war compelled him to relinquish it and the foundation to suspend its efforts.

### GRAYSHUS—MY CHILD.

Out in Ashland avenue recently a child nurse was telling her shoe-clerk beau how she told the story of Moses to her curly-haired charges. "And they placed his cradle in the bulrushes," she related. "Grayshus, that was a dangerous place to hide him," volunteered the beau, "—dangerous, where the bull rushes."—Indianapolis News.

### MUSIC BROUGHT JOY.

Yeast—It must have cost a lot of money to give your daughter her musical education.  
Crimsonbeak—It certainly did.  
"And has it paid you?"  
"Indeed, yes. Why, when she sings I can't hear a word her mother says."—Yonkers Statesman.

### CURED OF THE BLUES.

Bob Flush—Why so gloomy? Got the blues?  
Jack Potts—That's the trouble; I ain't. I lost 'em all and the reds with 'em. All I got is a couple of measly white chips left.

### AFTER LONG REPRESSION.

Heck—Have you any idea what you're talking about?  
Peck—I don't believe I have. You see, my wife is away and I'm just sorter letting my tongue run loose, so to speak.—Boston Transcript.

### SOMEWHAT THIN.

Diner—What do you call this stuff?  
Walter—Mock turtle soup, sir.  
Diner—Well, tell the chef he has carried his mockery too far.—London Tit-Bits.

### THEIR CLASS.

"I wonder what division of the army the baby tanks belonged to?"  
"I should think they would put them in the infantry."

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**ST PAUL SKIS IN DEMAND**  
Record Performances Have Been Made on Articles Produced in the Minnesota City.

St. Paul-made skis hold the mark for the longest jump in the world, that set by Henry Hall at Steamboat Springs, Colo., when he made 203 feet and remained standing at the finish of the slide.

At the national ski tournament in Chicago last year the championships in the professional, amateur and boys' classes all were won on St. Paul-made skis.

The St. Paul product is sold from Maine to Los Angeles—yes, they sell them in Los Angeles for use in the mountains—and quantities go to Alaska and northern Canada.

Aside from the sport, skis are being used more generally than ever by ranchers, stockmen and forest rangers, and by western telephone and telegraph repair men. Minnesota farmers, for example, find them an excellent thing to use when the roads are impassable, in going to the various feeding sheds on their farms in winter.

St. Paul's ski factory turns out more skis than any other factory in the world. Toboggans also are made there in large numbers.

The city's output of skis for 1918 was 50,000 pairs, and of toboggans 10,500. The volume of business was \$100,000.

### MOTTOES AT GREAT LAKES

"One Who Pulls Will Beat Man With a Pull" Was Among the Best Submitted.

Sailors at the Great Lakes Training station near Chicago were invited to make some suggestions for a camp motto, a ten days' furlough being promised the one who submitted the best. Some unusually good ones were offered. Here are a few submitted by the sailor boys: "The man who pulls will beat the man with a pull."

"Trifles make perfection, but perfection is no trifle."  
"Life is like baseball—the hits you made yesterday won't win the game today."

"A hat full of hot air may weigh as much as a bullet, but you can't shoot it through an oak plank."

"The man that never made a mistake never did anything; the man that made too many lost his job."

"Keep your temper—nobody else wants it."  
"Late to bed and early to rise makes dark circles under your eyes."

### HOP STATISTICS.

The exports of domestic hops reached as high a figure as 24,300,000 pounds in 1914, and in 1918 the quantity fell to 3,500,000 pounds. Imported hops ranged from 3,000,000 to 8,500,000 pounds from 1908 to 1914, and they rose to the extraordinary quantity of 11,700,000 pounds in 1915, followed by almost complete cessation of imports.

The price received for hops by producers in this country has been highly variable in a series of many years, and often from year to year. The December average was 11.7 cents per pound for 1913, 12 cents for 1916, 33.3 cents for 1917, and 19.6 cents for 1918, a year with production about two-fifths of what it was in 1915 and 1916.

### THE KIND.

"There is one financial policy which is badly needed for the holiday shopping."  
"What is that?"  
"The adoption of elastic currency."

### STRANGE SIGNIFICANCES.

"The Russian language is very complicated."  
"Yes," said Miss Cayenne; "the whole country seems amazed to find that the letters 'L. W. W.' can be made to spell 'lolehsevik.'"

### THE REASON.

"The kaiser appears to have lost his personal press agent."  
"Yes, he got in Dutch with his world tour."

### THEIR KIND.

"I can't work in cloudy or rainy weather."  
"Then, I suppose, you cannot complain of not getting fair wages."

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## STOMACH TROUBLE

Mr. Marion Holcomb, of Nancy, Ky., says: "For quite a long while I suffered with stomach trouble. I would have pains and a heavy feeling after my meals, a most disagreeable taste in my mouth. If I ate anything with butter, oil or grease, I would spit it up. I began to have regular sick headache. I had used pills and tablets, but after a course of these, I would be constipated. It just seemed to tear my stomach all up. I found they were no good at all for my trouble. I heard

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recommended very highly, so began to use it. It cured me. I keep it in the house all the time. It is the best liver medicine made. I do not have sick headache or stomach trouble any more." Black-Draught acts on the jaded liver and helps it to do its important work of throwing out waste materials and poisons from the system. This medicine should be in every household for use in time of need. Get a package today. If you feel sluggish, take a dose tonight. You will feel fresh tomorrow. Price 25c a package. All druggists.

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**"BRAVEST AMONG THE BRAVE"**  
American Soldiers Have Made for Themselves a Name That Will Be Remembered Forever.

Next to the all-pervading humor of the Yankee soldier that was the wonder of his European allies was the modesty that followed the most daring deeds of bravery. One of many thousands of cases will serve to illustrate: The artillery was falling short, its shells dropping among our own men. The advance had been so swift that there were no time to send a runner back and no certainty that he could get back. Abruptly, and on his own initiative, a signal corps sergeant started to "shinny" up a telegraph pole. Under the crossing fire of batteries of friend and foe, in full sight and within wickedly easy range of German snipers and machine gunners, he went up the pole, and from that high and conspicuous place signaled the message to the artillery. When he came down a French officer congratulated him warmly and asked for his name and outfit. The sergeant grinned and started to fade away. "But you don't understand," the officer explained; "I want to recommend you for a distinguished service cross." "Yes, that's just what I thought," said the sergeant, and then he faded away entirely.

**OLD CHURCH TO BE MUSEUM.**  
Structure of Much Historic Interest Has Been Purchased by Canadian Pioneer Society.

"David's Temple," a church built early last century in York county, Ontario, has been purchased by the York Pioneer Historical society to be used as a museum for historical relics. The old church, erected by the late David Wilson, head of a religious sect known as the "Davidites," took six years to build. It is entirely of wood and today is in a remarkable state of preservation. The lasting qualities of wood never were better exemplified than this structure. White pine in the main was used and the wood today is the admiration of all sightseers.

Many years ago remarkable religious ceremonies were celebrated in the temple by the "Children of Peace" but for a long period the building has been badly neglected. Work on the church was started in 1825. It is three stories high, surmounted by a gilded ball on which is inscribed the word "Peace."

The church contains nearly three thousand panes of glass in the windows and spires, and has a symbolic meaning attached to all its parts. One feature is an altar that took 365 days to build. It stands on twelve gilded pillars representing the twelve apostles.

## RECIPROCAL RETICENCE

"I never hear you talk about your ancestors, Brown."  
"Why should I? They never talked about me that I know of."  
—Boston Evening Transcript.

**SOMETIMES NONE**  
Blondie—The baldheads are all in front, as usual.  
Blackeyes—Oh! yes; beauty draws them by a single hair.

**HORNETS WEATHER PROPHETS.**  
The age of prophets is not past, at least not the age of weather prophets. It's right here. The most recent instance of this is a Pennsylvania hunter called Bill Vanzant. Bill learns all about the weather from the hornets. Here is the way the narration runs:  
Pointing up to two trees along the Baltimore pike, near Swarthmore, upon which high up hang big hornets' hives, Bill said: "See those hives? They are high and dry and that indicates little wind, but we are going to have deep snow and plenty of it, and you can tell the world for me that I am right when I say deep snow and plenty of it."  
Vanzant declares hornets never like to get into deep snow, and their nature always indicates to them how to protect themselves for the winter months.

**COAST WALNUT CROP.**  
California's immense 1918 crop of walnuts is more than half harvested. It is now apparent that the present season will be the most satisfactory of any in the history of walnut growing in this state. The crop is the largest and the quality and price the best ever known. The results of this year's campaign constitute a tremendous boost for cooperative walnut growing. From 65,000 acres the walnut growers will sell \$9,500,000 worth of nuts.—Los Angeles Times.

**SOAP FOR USE IN HAREMS.**  
The costliest soap in the world is that manufactured specially in the Levant for use in the harems of wealthy Mohammedans in the near East and in the zenanas of India. These seraglio or harem soaps, as they are variously termed, according to an exchange, are made by only two or three firms, and are guaranteed free from all animal fats whatsoever. The purest olive oil alone enters into their composition, and the cakes, which are invariably quite small, are scented with the finest quality attar of roses and other rare oriental perfumes. They are made in certain, well-defined shapes—stars, crescents, twists, ovals and so on—and each tiny cake has imprinted upon it some simple motto for the faithful in beautiful Arabic characters.

**A FAIR EXCHANGE.**  
"My wife told me she was going to get me cigars for a Christmas present."  
"Well?"  
"And then she got furious because I said I was going to select her new hat."

**TO BE EXPECTED.**  
"Did you see where a washerwoman is the minister of education in one of the new German republics?"  
"Well, a minister of education like that will probably let things go by the board."