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SALOONS WILL CLOSE IN LASALLE COUNTY TODAY.

John Barleycorn will play his last tune in La Salle county today. At 9:30 o'clock tonight all saloons in La Salle county will close their doors as the result of the prohibition election held in December.

The closing of the saloons in La Salle will wipe out the oasis for the surrounding counties, as all of the counties touching La Salle with the exception of Webb is dry. The territory from Bexar to Webb will be dry after today.

Booze has been sold in Cotulla for nearly forty years and in the county for more than half a century. Probably the first place in the county where liquor was legally sold was at Ft. Ewell, on the Nueces river 25 miles below Cotulla. Ft. Ewell was built by the Government years ago, and when the county was organized was the first county seat. With the moving of the county seat to Cotulla saloons and gambling halls thrived and for many years in the early days two companies of rangers were stationed here to keep order.

The oldest saloon building in Cotulla was torn down a few years ago and in its place was erected the Stockmens National Bank building. This place was a two-story frame building and known as the Star Saloon. It was many escapes from being a building owned by Gaddis Pharmacy was built for a saloon and for years the lower floor was used as such and the

FATAL AUTO ACCIDENT OCCURS AT ASHERTON.

A fatal automobile accident happened at Asherton Tuesday evening. "Sallie" Goodin, a well known salesman for the Pruitt Commission Company was instantly killed and Chas. Kemper, salesman in this territory for the Goodman Grocery Company of San Antonio, was seriously injured, as was W. H. White, representing the Tipps Hardware Company.

The car belonged to Tim Conlan of this place and was driven by his brother-in-law, Joe Yarbrough, who had his arm broken in the wreck and was otherwise injured. It is said the car was being driven at a high rate of speed and in turning a corner turned over. Goodin was caught underneath and crushed badly.

The body of Goodin was brought here Tuesday night in time to make connection with the Bollweevil, and was sent into San Antonio.

upper floor was a gambling palace. Back in the eighties monte poker, roulette and other games ran far into each night and thousands of dollars changed hands. Some of our older citizens can relate some interesting experiences of those days.

La Salle has had her day with booze. It will cease today. Once eliminated there is not one chance in a hundred that the saloon will ever return. The buildings will be utilized in time for other purposes, the dealers will find success in other industries as they have done in other places.

Goodbye, John Barleycorn.

WATCHMAN SHOTS DOWN AGED MEXICAN.

An old Mexican man 72 years of age was shot down at the railroad bridge across the Nueces Thursday evening about 2 o'clock by the watchman, J. V. Hough. Sixteen No. 4 shot entered the man's body, but it is not yet believed by the physician that any of the shot struck a vital point and the chances are good for his recovery.

Hough was immediately placed in jail by officers, yesterday he waived examination and was placed under bond to wait the action of the Grand Jury.

The Mexican is an old time resident here and in a statement made to the officials said that in company with a small boy, about seven years old, had been on the river below the bridge cutting some broom reeds for his burro. There is a old road leading under the bridge and on their return, it being dark, he laid the bundle of reeds in the shade of the bridge. Time he got up to go, he heard a noise or something, and as he round was shot. He ground, but later was up and walk to his Mexican boy ran as old man was shot, that as he ran off fired after him.

Christian Education the subject to be discussed at the Baptist Church Sunday 7 o'clock.

W. L. Sk

NOTICE
Hereafter I will sell no meat on Tuesdays, in accordance with the Food Conservation orders.
S. Cotulla.

THIS COUNTY HAS SIXTY-TWO DELINQUENTS.

The Sheriff's office of La Salle county has been furnished with a list of young men who have failed to return their Questionnaires, with instructions from the Local Board to bring all that can be found before the board within the next five days.

There are 62 Delinquents in La Salle county, most of them being Mexicans and a few non-residents who registered here.

Following is a list of the delinquents and their address:

COTULLA.
Felis Pedresa, Guadeloupe Garcia, Alberto Ruiz, Pedro Ruiz, Luis Guerra, Enrique Franco, Salmae Ruiz, Jose Suesada, Candelario Ortiz, Epifanio Carrera, Guadeloupe Gomez Garza, Eduardo Vela, Alcarcio Delgado, Alfredo Lopez, Jesus Martinez, Lorenzo Barrera, Antonio Cardenez, Mauro Gomez, Seferino Perez, Ysidro Guerra, Nicolas Salinas, Andres Hernandez, Fielgencio Cantu, Manuel Rodriguez, Luis Caserez, Samuel Ramirez, Antonio Garcia.

ENCINAL.
Felix Rodriguez, Amador Aguilar, Juan Narbaiz, Julian Garza, Eysa Maldonado, Alfonso Trevino, Dolores Maldonado, Jesus Cerda, Victoriano Rodriguez, Odilon Garcia, Jose Sainz, Isidoro Gallardo, D. M. C. Muller, Jose Castillo, Gertrudis Ramirez, Melvin Mikes, Gerardo Castanuela, Cristobal Garcia.

MILLET.
Ramon Monato Lozano, Nicolas Hernandez, Mauro Perez, Jr. George Wilburn, Jr. Sepriano Juarez.

HARRIS VALLEY.
Bentura Gallardo, Natalio Cordero, Jose Angel Valencia, Aurelio Delgado.

Woodward.—Salomae Casiano, Ramon Potheber, Heremenegildo Ortiz.

Sulphur Springs.—Marvin Mitekey.


Fowlerton.—Manuel Tijerina, Jose Leon Garcia.

Laredo.—Audencio Bautista, Crystal City.—Jesus Nornas.

Child's Clothing Catches Fire.

The young son of Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Thompson came near being burned to death Monday morning and in endeavoring to extinguish the fire Mr. Thompson was badly burned about the hands. The little fellow had just gotten out of bed and was standing before the fireplace when his night gown caught. The father immediately rushed to his assistance, but the garments being of inflammable texture burned rapidly and it was with much difficulty that the fire was put out before the child was burned fatally. His body suffered principally, the flames not reaching its face. Prof. Thompson's hands were burned so badly that he was unable to attend his school duties this week.

Rev. B. A. Myers has half a dozen Rhode Island Red hens and he says that he gets five eggs every day. Such a flock of hens as these are mighty fine to have even with the high cost of feed. Eggs are now selling at fifty cents a dozen.



The ever popular Ford family; Runabout \$345; Touring Car \$360; Coupe \$565, represents but one chassis—the world famous Ford Model T—that wonder of simplicity and Vanadium steel. Then there is the new addition of the Model T One-Ton Truck Chassis for \$600 f. o. b. Detroit. This Truck has a regular Ford Motor but has worm drive. It has been thoroughly tested for more than two years, and will surely meet your wants and expectations.


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Chas. E. Neal's Auto Sales Company received a new carload of new Fords this week and deliveries are being made right along. In order to get cars promptly customers are required to sign up buyers orders and await their turn for delivery. Those contemplating buying a Ford soon had better call in and up as another shipment is expected at an early date.

The last contingent of the first draft will be sent out on Feb. 23rd. La Salle county will probably not have any men to be sent in this contingent, unless it be to fill up the place of some who have been exempted since going to the camp, as at one time our full quota had been sent in.



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Author of *Business Dressing*

K. BURWELL

ANLY, Publisher.

OVER THE TOP, FARMERS! OVER THE TOP!

This war cannot be won without the aid of the Farmers. Why?

Because they represent about 80 per cent of the population of the Eleventh Federal Reserve District, in which we live, and it is impossible for the other 20 per cent of the people to carry the financial burden.

The farmer in this section who has done reasonably well last season has indeed a double duty to perform. He has to do his full share towards protecting his business, his home, and his Country, and he has, as a generous open-hearted, broad-minded Southerner to help make up for the probable lack of over-subscription in the drought-stricken Counties of West and South Texas.

The people of the West and South of Texas will do their share—that there is no question. They will raise their assigned portion of the Loan, because it is their duty, but we cannot hope for a large over-subscription from them.

An over-subscription from the Eleventh Federal District is called for. On the occasion of the Second Liberty Loan we raised but a little more than we were forced to. Other Districts raised 25 per cent and 50 per cent more than the Government demanded of them. Such a grudging response is unworthy of us and we must improve upon it. Shall it be said that we men who live upon the rich soil of Louisiana, who inhabit the great producing State of Texas, the progressive State of New Mexico, who wrest the wealth from the ground of Arizona, or who have opened up the great possibilities of Oklahoma, possess less patriotism than our neighbors? It is unthinkable!

We have a big task ahead, but we will meet it. Let us plan, and look ahead, and let us start doing it right now, in order that this great old South West may shine as a bright star in the firmament of patriotism when our Country calls.

FARMERS AND SHIPS

Two things which do not appear to have very much to do with each other. And yet they have.

It is not sufficient merely to produce goods, they must be marketed, and ships are necessary to the farmer unless he wishes to be cut off from the best of all markets of the world—Europe.

Just as an automobile is a good thing for hauling produce to nearby towns and freight cars are necessary to haul the produce to the great grain centers, so ships are necessary to market the produce of the farmers.

We have been losing ships in great numbers, and so have our Allies. These must be replaced. The farmer knows what would happen if the freight cars on the railroads were burned up—he would be cut off from the market. Ships are just as important and necessary as freight cars.

Several Million Dollars of the amount subscribed to the Liberty Loan is being used by The United States Government to provide a fleet of freight vessels to maintain our trade with Europe. It follows that in subscribing to the Liberty Loan, the farmer is putting money into his own business, with Uncle Sam as a partner, with a certain knowledge that he will receive 4 per cent interest on his money, and that his principal will be used for his own trade convenience and expansion. Was there ever a clearer case of an investment profitable in two distinct ways?

The German Government have realized the necessity of providing a merchant fleet and recently have set aside Thirty-five Million Dollars for the building of ships, which are to be delivered as soon as possible after Peace is declared. Let us at least be as wise as the Germans.

To every farmer there will be offered during the next few months this sensible business like proposition to take Uncle Sam into partnership in his business. Be ready to invest in Liberty Bonds when the time comes.

AMERICAN ARMY NOW 1,360,000

Grows in Few Short Months From Force Numbering Only 110,000 Men.

OVER 300,000 ARE REGULARS

Officer Personnel Numbers More Than 80,000—Equipment of Men Much More Diverse Than in Any Previous War.

Washington.—The latest official figures put the number of enlisted men in the armies of the United States at 1,360,000. This is the force that has grown in eight months out of an army which on April 1 numbered only 110,000 men.

Most of them are still in the training camps. Many of them are not yet disciplined troops, fully equipped and armed for battle. But there they are 1,360,000 of them, already one of the biggest factors Hindenburg is reckoning with for the campaign of 1918. To send them there are over 80,000 officers. When the graduates of the second training camp get their first orders the number will be over 100,000—as many officers as there were privates nine months ago.

Over 300,000 Regulars. Of the new American force over 300,000 men are regulars. In all the world only two regular armies remain—the American and the Japanese. The others have all been swept away in the flood of war. When the first American onslaught takes place German Landwehr and Landsturm troops will find themselves opposed to an army of professional soldiers.

Behind the regulars are the 400,000 soldiers of the National Guard, regulars in experience, many of them, thanks to our neighbor of the South. After the Guard come the 600,000 men of the new National army.

The whole military establishment, with the marines and the auxiliary forces thrown in, numbers a million and a half. The expansion that has taken place is as if Grand Rapids had grown in eight months to be virtually as big as Philadelphia.

Diversity of Equipment. The first thing to be done for the new army was to provide them with shelter and clothing, food and warmth. That large undertaking is all but accomplished. Equally great is the task of providing arms. To arm an infantry division in the Civil War meant to provide as many muskets and as many bayonets as there were men in the command. In the present war the job is more complicated. There are rifles and bayonets to be furnished now as formerly, but there are also grenades and gasmasks and helmets and trench mortars to be seen to. Each of the four infantry regiments in a division must have 450 trench knives, 192 automatic rifles and three one-pounder cannons.

The 708 men of the machine gun battalion and the 5,008 men of the field artillery brigade must have machine guns and three-inch guns in numbers that would stagger an armorer even of so recent a period as the war with Spain. Two hundred and seventy-five thousand troops were made ready to fight Spain in 1898, though only 60,000 of them were actually engaged.

LOGS KEPT FOR A CENTURY

House Torn Down in Indiana Shows Timbers to Be in Perfect Condition.

Aurora, Ind.—Newton J. McKim has had an old loghouse that was constructed by his wife's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Preston J. Conway, more than 100 years ago on the bank of South Fork torn down and has sold most of the large logs. The house was constructed of large black walnut logs and they were almost as sound as when they were cut from trees. Mr. and Mrs. Preston J. Conway were early settlers in southwestern Indiana, and the wealthiest farmers and stock raisers in the Laughtery Creek valley. The old house, which stood sentinel-like for more than a century, was given the name of Gray Gables, and a number of years it was used as a dance hall, conducted by Deloss J. Elker and had an orchestra of old-fashioned fiddlers.

HUMBLE PRUNE TAKES THE PLACE OF SUGAR

Derby, Conn.—The sometimes despised and often ridiculed prune has come into its own here. When the sugar famine struck the town someone discovered that the sugar in a dried prune was sufficient to give a semblance of sweetness to a cupful of tea or coffee. The prune dropped in a cupful of coffee is soon rendered soft by the heat and the sugar and sweet is extracted in a short time. It is claimed that the caffeine in the coffee offsets the taste of the prune so that the process is not objectionable in any way. It is being extensively tried here by many persons.

A PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM MR. M'ADOO

On January 21st Mr. McAdoo issued a personal message to all holders of Liberty Bonds, in which the following very wise and timely remarks occur. They should be read by every Bond Holder:

"It has been brought to my attention that a large number of patriotic citizens who subscribed to Liberty Loan Bonds of both the first and second issue are being approached from time to time by Agents who have, with too frequent success, induced them to sell their Liberty Loan Bonds and take in exchange securities which in a number of cases have been of a very questionable value.

"I therefore warn investors in Liberty Loan Bonds against exchange of these evidences of their patriotism for any securities or so-called securities. While some of the securities, or so-called securities, offered in exchange for Government Bonds are of sound value, there is no doubt that a large percentage of them are worthless.

"I believe it is for the best interests of the people at large, as well as for their actual protection, that they disregard all such offers and hold fast to the best investment in the world, that is, Bonds of their own Government.

"It is my earnest hope that every purchaser of a Liberty Bond will find that the only genuine hope that his Government is keeping his Bond as an investment as long as it is possible for him to do so. Where fortune or imperative necessity forces the holder of a Liberty Bond to sell, of course, there can be no objection."

SHALL WE SELL IT OR BUY IT? UGH OR QUIT?

The Government is finding it all upon us three years to provide us to Liberty Loans, money hitherto considered useless propositions. Tensions should be more serious necessities, of the situation.

Continued acquaintance with the more serious aspects of life is apt to bring indifference, and mental vision. As the soldier's sight of carnage, but later his eyes are we are called upon to see the necessity of our allies.

The Liberty Loan with its payments of novelty will be the serious purpose behind the money was needed when the First and Second Liberty Loans were floated, but it will be more than ever needed when the Third Loan is called for. Our army has grown, our needs of our allies have grown, the necessity of forever basing the unspeakable menace of Prussianism has grown. No longer can we hope that the entrance of this Country into the struggle will induce an early peace. More arrogant, more desperate than ever the German Government puts forward its impossible claims upon the rights and life of humanity.

Our Government in its growing need is calling upon us to give up our luxuries, is con- scribing the lives of our sons, is controlling trade, labor, and prices, with an ever increasing earnestness and firmness of purpose.

The test of our personal strength of character and determination is at hand. Your Government pleads with you very earnestly to preach and practice both before and during the next Liberty Loan Campaign a steadfastness of purpose, an unselfish patriotism, which shall reflect the spirit of a man who having set his hand to the execution of a necessary task would rather lose that hand than draw it back. This is the spirit of our President, of our Allies—it is surely our own.

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The drought still holds on there considerable optimism among many the drought is soon to break and 1919 will be a good year. The farmers say that a severe winter is early always followed by rainy years, and if there is anything to that theory we should get an abundance of rain. The sooner it starts in the better.

The cold spell broke up the forefront of this week. Tuesday was the first day for nearly two weeks that the temperature did not reach the freezing point and the fourth since the tenth of January. There is no record of such previous weather in Southwest Texas, and here's hoping that this record will not be duplicated in a good many more winters.

The onion growers will hold a meeting at the Court House today to discuss the new grading rules promulgated by the Commissioner of Agriculture. There appears to be general opposition to the grading rules in this district. The growers say it simply means a lot of red tape and expense for them and fat jobs for some other fellows, and the result will amount to nothing good.

Strikes in Germany seem to have been quelled by iron and blood rule. Very little definite information has come over Germany's borders concerning the situation, but enough sifted through to adjoining neutral countries to indicate that all is not lovely in the empire of the Kaiser. The people have been put down by the sword but hunger and a longing for peace will not keep them down.

Uncle Sam now has a half million men in France and a steady stream of soldiers are going across the Atlantic to the battle front. Germany has repeatedly said that our entrance into the war would not amount to anything, but as on so many other occasions, Germany's blarney will have proved to be a now holding a sector of the battle line and from press reports they are showing the boches that they know how to shoot.

The Food Conservation Committee has begun to have effect locally. The local markets will hereafter sell no meat on Tuesdays and no pork on Saturdays. At the stores the sale of sugar and flour is restricted to limited quantities. We are not having any trouble on the fuel question. There are no coal dealers here and very little coal is used. Mesquite wood is the principal fuel, and that can be had in any quantity desired at \$3.50 per cord. The poorer people may go out into the pastures and pick up sufficient for their needs.

Thrift Stamp sales all over the country have been good the last two or three weeks. In many Texas towns citizens have purchased the limit allowed to be owned by one person \$1,000 worth. These stamps pay 4 per cent interest and are a splendid medium for the savings for the laboring man. The big fellows would gobble up every dollar worth they could get hold of if they could, but the fact that one man cannot own more than \$1,000 worth keeps them from taking the entire issue. Teach your child to save money and help the Nation at the same time. Stamps can be purchased at Postoffice.

The Granger News says: "It is true that the country papers, particularly those which are located in small communities, are feeling the effects of the drought and the war. However, the majority of country papers are forced to suspend publication, not because of the war and drought, but of the failure of home business men to give liberal support. When the business institutions of any town turn a deaf ear to the home newspaper it is a sign that the town is on the decline and will sooner or later be classed as non progressive in the eyes of wide awake people. All towns of any size need newspapers. Not 'rags' but attractive in appearance and containing news of the town and surrounding country. But this cannot be done unless proper support is given."

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BOARDING HOUSE LODGER EATS TOO MUCH, THEY SAY

FOOD ADMINISTRATION IS TO SEND A SPECIAL PLEDGE CARD TO PEOPLE PAYING BY THE WEEK.

People who live in boarding houses shouldn't overeat (they usually don't). Just because boarders are paying for their food at so much a week they do not have to gorge themselves because they have to get everything that is coming to them.

Because men and women through unfortunate circumstances are compelled to surrender the wholesome and amenities of the home—they must not imagine that they have not a patriotic service to perform as well as the man and the woman of the home.

It has been brought time and time again to the attention of the Federal Food Administration of Texas that perhaps the most smug, complacent and satisfied creature during all these days of the agony of nations is the man or the woman who dines in boarding houses or at public places.

They do not seem to think that it is an essential that they aid the poor little boarding house lady in her struggle to keep above the deep waters of high cost of living, as it is for them to give to the Liberty Loan, the thrift stamp and the Red Cross. "It's all very well," they seem to say, "for us to give of our money, but why give of our food, when we are paying for three full meals?"

Got to Reform.

The Federal Food Administration of Texas is strongly of the belief that these "free lunches in the eating world" need a sort of patriotic revival. It's all very well for them to sit on the outside of the world of sacrifice and selflessness and regard the thing of saving and denial with a sort of secret contempt, but they are of the wrong impression if they think the nation proposes to overlook them—when it has placed the burden upon the tired little women who do a sort of upper servant job for their smug, complacent lives.

The United States government, bearer of the standard of world liberty and freedom, says to the man and the woman who eat at the table of the boarding houses of the land:

"You are not outside of this business of war; you are part of it. You needn't think because your bills are paid by the week that you are to have everything coming to you—and then some." It wants you to become a human, sympathetic, responsive citizen. It wants no more of this detached business, this apathetic, this trifling and wastage.

Wrong Conception.

Your industry isn't the enemy. Because the sugar bowl is on the table is no reason why you should consume eight pounds a month—and bread and meat and butter and milk and everything else in like proportion.

"There isn't an excuse in the world why you should stay out of the game of saving and conserving, when the boys of the land have dedicated their lives to the cause of liberty, and the business of the nation has placed it self at the feet of Uncle Sam. You can't hang back when the very children are learning to go without, and the mothers of the homestead are practicing the finest economies."

Soon the Federal Food Administration is to issue a card designed for the enrollment of people living in boarding houses and the proprietors of these boarding houses. This card will be prepared to meet the community in which it is issued and reads as follows:

BOARDERS' PLEDGE CARD.

I, at present a boarder in this city, hereby accept membership in the United States food administration, pledging myself, as a patriotic duty, to co-operate with the proprietor in the conservation of meat, wheat, sugar and fats, according to the directions and advice of the food administrator.

Name

Address

SEED CAKE SAVES CATTLE; BLIZZARD AID TO WHEAT

Texas has gained millions of dollars in cattle saved through the work of the Federal Food Administration in effectually rushing through the months of November and December feedstuffs to the drought-stricken areas of the Panhandle and West Texas. The administration has received a message from Porter B. Whaley, district administrator for the Panhandle, reading as follows:

"Heavy snow falling in the Panhandle will pull wheat crop through in great shape; little losses to cattle; great cake work. Your organization has saved the state millions."

The message from Mr. Whaley was transmitted to Administrator Peden in New York, and was given by him to the New York press. The work of the United States food administration in relieving the famine-stricken cattle is due to the constant and untiring work of Herbert Godwin, assistant food administrator for Texas, who has been the executive in the work; E. B. Spiller, secretary of the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas, and R. F. Crow, a member of the Cotton Seed Crushers' Association of Texas, who personally have given of their time to the administration as volunteers, and who have, with a small staff, accomplished the placing of millions of dollars worth of ~~cattle~~ seed cake alone.

ESCAPED FROM GERMANY



Gango, a young French boy who was escaped from Germany, where he was held prisoner, and drifted into an American camp in France. He was officially adopted as mascot of the force in training there.

WOMAN GUARDS A CROSSING

Takes Man's Job as Watchman for Railway Company and Likes the Work.

South Bend.—Women are filling men's positions in Europe and some are already doing it in the United States. Among the women here who are doing men's work is Mrs. Helen Stuckman, watchman at the Vernon street crossing of the New York Central railroad. Mrs. Stuckman is enthusiastic over her new job and says, while she believes woman's place is in the home, she feels perfectly at home in her little watch house. She has two small children who spend most of the day in school and the rest of the time with their mother at the crossing.

Many persons who live in the neighborhood of the crossing believe that Mrs. Stuckman earns her monthly salary every day in heart ease for the mother, whose children must cross the railroad to and from school. The little watch house provides the children with a sort of halfway place between home and school, and already this year they have taken advantage of the opportunity to stop and warm themselves.

"There really is not much work to it even if it is supposed to be a man's job," said Mrs. Stuckman; "everyone is so nice in obeying signals that it is really no trouble whatever. The real object of my being here is to look out for the schoolchildren and see that they get across the tracks all right. I spend much of my time knitting."

JUDGE UPHOLDS UNJUST WILL

Rules Law Does Not Require Equity in Testaments in Case in New York Court.

New York.—While admitting that the will of George A. Williams of the firm of George A. Williams & Sons is unjust, because he cuts off two sons who are heads of families and have slender incomes, and adding that the "natural character" of Mr. Williams was unjust, Justice Blackmar of the appellate division in Brooklyn upheld the testament on the ground that the law does not force a man to will his property justly.

Accordingly, the entire estate, amounting to \$90,000, will go to a daughter, Mrs. Laura A. Buchanan, Brooklyn.

The testimony showed that the elder Williams was eighty-two years old when the will was executed and was addicted to excessive and continuous use of alcohol.

DOG DIDN'T LIKE ARMY LIFE

Returns to Old Haunts After Three Weeks' Career as Mascot in Canadian Army.

Los Angeles, Cal.—Ginger, a Boston bull, is back home in Los Angeles. After a three weeks' career as mascot in the Canadian army, he has returned to his old haunts around "T-bone" Riley's place at No. 742 South Hill street, and is happy again.

The dog is owned by John Hamilton, a Los Angeles resident of 15 years' standing, who recently enlisted in the Canadian forces. He took Ginger along, but the dog did not take to the military life.

In fact, he was wailing away, until Hamilton decided to send him back to Los Angeles. On his arrival he ate six meals in three hours and now has a joyous bark for all his old friends.

SING OUT! SAVE THE MEAT, FOLKS, AND THE WHEAT

PATRIOTISM PUT TO MUSIC WILL SPREAD THE GOSPEL OF GOING LIGHT ON THINGS TO EAT.

The children of Houston will soon be humming conservation airs. Monday Miss Lou Stallman will visit the principal schools and leave at each building a number of pamphlets in which the verses for the conservation songs are printed. The songs are all bright and cheerful and the words are such as to appeal at once to the child's imagination.

The psychology of the songs is not different from the psychology of the sacred songs sung to popular airs on street corners by the Salvation Army, and the food administration has learned one far-reaching lesson from the ranks of the "Dough Boy," who is forever taking airs and paraphrasing them with new words. He likes to hum and sing things that have clever twists and turns, and the child is not different.

So when Mr. and Mrs. Houston hear their infant wounder in the kitchen or sliding down the bannisters singing at the top of his voice how wheat may be saved to the tune of "Yankee Doodle," and yelling gloriously "The Battle Cry of Freedom" to the chime of the "Battle Cry of the Republic," they must not be alarmed—but instead show pleasure, for the kid is only one more voice raised in the great truth, "Food will win the war."

Among the verses and airs now ready for the small people's pleasure are:

Tune, "Kentucky Home."
The sun shines bright on my conservation flat.
'Tis autumn, no one will gainsay.
We have cut out milk and eliminated fat.
And our meals are only two a day.
The young folk dine on a conservation pie.
Bereft of potatoes and meat.
And our bread is made of the barley or the rye.
And nobody uses any wheat.

Chorus
Wheat no more, my lady; O, wheat no more this year.
For we'll sing one song for our conservation plan.
Till we make the German Hun disappear.
Oh, the Turk must bow and the Kaiser'll have to bend.
Wherever our Sammies may go.
A few more days and the trouble all will end.
And we'll have a jolly time, don't you know.

We pinch on grub and economize today.
No matter, we'll stick to the fight.
By and by peace comes and prosperity to stay.
Then my conserving plan good night!

Tune, "The Battle Cry of Freedom."
We've an army in camp of a million boys or more.
Shouting the battle cry of feed 'em.
And we'll furnish them with guns and will lead a mighty host.

We have bought a bond for freedom and boosted Uncle Sam.
Shouting the battle cry of feed 'em.
We have cut our daily ration to Johnny and Janey.
Shouting the battle cry of feed 'em.
Yes, we'll rally 'round the flag, boys.
We'll rally once again.
Shouting the battle cry of feed 'em.
With potatoes on the hillside and wheat upon the plain.
Shouting the battle cry of feed 'em.

Chorus
Our allies forever, Murrah, boys, Murrah!
Down with the Kaiser, up with our law.
For we'll rally 'round the flag, boys; we'll rally once again.
Shouting the battle cry of feed 'em.

An "Agrigraph" of the State College of Agriculture at Cornell University.
Grandfather:
They said I was too old for war:
But one thing I can head—
I ain't too old to go without.
The wheat our soldiers need.

Grandson:
I know I am too young to go.
But folk can't make me hush
When I won't eat our soldiers' wheat
And yell for cornmeal mush.

Chorus
Yankee Doodle, keep it up,
Yankee Doodle dandy.
Cut out the wheat; the meat, the fat,
The sugar and the candy.

Felix Powell.
Chorus
Pack up your troubles in your old kit-bag, and smile, smile, smile
(Supply)
Smile, smile, that's the style.
What's the use of worrying? It never was worth while, so
Pack up your troubles in your old kit-bag, and smile, smile, smile.

Russian Hymn.
God, the all-merciful,
Thou do ordainest,
Thunder thy clarion
And light thy sword:
Show forth thy pity,
On high where thou reignest.

WILL TOUR STATE FOR FOOD ADMINISTRATION.

The six observers sent by the United States food administration to the western battle front in Europe to study first hand conditions in the countries associated with America in war, have returned to this continent and, beginning the week of January 27, will tour the United States for the purpose of acquainting America with concrete reasons why the saving of food is imperative. Of the six observers, two have been assigned to Texas. They are Roscoe Mitchell and Everett Colby, and they will open their engagement in this State by speaking on Sunday, March 17, in Houston and Dallas, respectively. Others upon the Texas itinerary are John D. Barry and Dr. R. L. Wilbur of the advisory committee of the United States food administration.

Texas will be traversed by two teams of speakers. The North Texas cities to have speakers from team A will be Dallas, Sherman, Denison, McKinney, Fort Worth, Weatherford, Denton, Waco, Cleburne, Ennis, Corsicana, Waxahachie, Terrell, Greenville, Paris, Texarkana, Clarksville and Mount Pleasant.

The South Texas cities will be visited by team B, and the cities on the list are Houston, San Antonio, Richmond, Cuero, Austin, Victoria, Brenham, Bryan, Navasota, Bay City, Galveston, Conroe, Beaumont, Orange, Palestine, Marshall, Jacksonville and Longview.

SPIES TRAINED FROM BOYHOOD

Secret Activities of German Women Told by Dr. Arthur Lynch, M. P.

SYSTEM IS FAR REACHING

Eyes of French People Suddenly Opened to Extent of the Organization and Its Studied and Elaborate Character.

London.—Dr. Arthur Lynch, M. P., writing under a Paris date to the Daily Chronicle on German spies in France, says:

"In Marcel Prevost's 'Les Angles Gardiens' (The Guardian Angels, otherwise governesses) he depicts an English governess who is fond of drink, an Italian whose beauty wins the affections of the son and heir, and a German, Meg by name—a jolly and attractive young woman, unembarrassed by moral scruples, but capable and shrewd. Meg is a spy, and her spying is the more dangerous for the fact that she is the 'guardian angel' of the daughter of the French war minister."

"This story, written with a certain grace of style, set all France talking, and many a bourgeois family scrutinized with horror their stockish, stupid-looking but hardworking Westphalian maid, who knew little outside the small household and who, moreover, had conceived a real affection for the children."

"I confess I was inclined to laugh at the spy scare, but some time before the war I used to meet on the staircase of a modest and quiet little private hotel the dame who stood for the original of Meg. She had an apartment adjoining mine. There was nothing about her appearance or her manners to attract attention. Meg had, in good German style, grown imposing through still attractive in the German fashion."

"One evening, on returning to my rooms, I saw Meg's lady companion, a dragon looking person, camped on a chair on the landing near Meg's door, and presently three middle-aged gentlemen left Meg's rooms. Meg knew that the war was coming, and no doubt serious business was on hand that night."

"Abused by German Husband.
"Parisians have become very suspicious of late, but the surprise was general nevertheless when they discovered that their ex-citizens, Mata Hari, the Illinois dancer, was a German spy. This lady with the dusky skin and flexible joints and baggy eyes of a French actress of women turned out to be a woman of a different age. At the age of seventeen she married a German spy and obtained

Dutch nationality in order to mask his spying work. The marriage was rather in the nature of a formal business transaction, but this did not prevent the one-time German officer from brutally ill-treating his young wife.

"Nevertheless she entered into the spy system with zest, became duly registered and paid, amused and delighted Paris for some years with her audacious performances, became acquainted with various highly placed officials and politicians and found means, it is said, to make known to the Germans some of the most important French plans in the first months of the war."

"Certainly it is absurd to find a spy in every German kitchen maid or hall porter or barber's apprentice, but eyes have been opened to the extent of the organization, its studied and elaborate character and the cleverness of the German spy system."

"Here in Paris is a type very different from Meg, but one who employs the Megs as his agents—the count of W—, 'Old Adolph,' as he was familiarly called, half in affection and half in contempt. Adolph was, not so many years ago, a dashing officer of the Guards, a great rider, a beau, a lady killer. Certain histories in this latter direction cut off his career as a Guardsman and he came to Paris. Old Adolph had then nothing of the beau cavalier of old; he seemed good natured, but stupid; he did not look as if he could mount a horse, for he moved all in a block, like a piece of wood."

Had Hired Chateau.
"Old Adolph incidentally had hired a chateau which commanded a great range of country and which possessed a real value for war purposes. To this chateau he made several additions and improvements, which were thought to be a fad of dear, stupid old Adolph; they could be used as excellent gun emplacements. It is still a moot point in the circles that old Adolph frequented whether he really was a fool or only had that appearance. But it is not remote from this question to remark that at one point the disastrous flight of the Germans from the Marne was brought to an end by the fact that they arrived at positions which had been carefully noted and prepared by Germans before the war."

"I have lifted the veil here and there upon the types; the framework of the system is no less edifying to study. For the past two generations the Germans have been extending and perfecting their spy system; it has now become one of the important functions of state. A spy is not taken at haphazard and asked impromptu to undertake difficult and hazardous work."

Childish Foresight.
Freddy and Benny were brothers, Freddy being but two years older than Benny, and their uncle presented them each with a rabbit, the rabbits being exactly alike. One morning Freddy went into the basement to feed the rabbit, and found that one of them was dead, so he hurried upstairs to his mother and said: "Oh, mamma, Benny's rabbit is dead."

PUTS OFF THE UNPatriot

City Driver Will Not Talk From Persons Who Talk Against America.

Nashville, Mich.—German sympathizers would sure have a hard getting about the country if all non carriers adopted the rule that Jitney Wolfe has put into effect of Jitney bus.

If he hears any one voicing opinion to America while riding with him he or she goes, to walk the rest of the journey. He has only one arm other being taken off at the shoulder but he put two men the other and offered to lick them both in bargain.

Wolfe runs a Jitney from her Coldwater by way of Battle Creek Union City, and though that is the he makes his living he has the right refuse fares from unpatriotic people.

CANDY WITHOUT SUGAR



Mary Elizabeth Evans, has solved the problem of making the candies without using large quantities of sugar which is so scarce, by the substitution of honey, molasses, maple sugar, fruits, nuts, raisins and chocolate.

Miss Evans recently visited Mr. Hoover, federal food administrator, his assistant, Doctor Wilbur and Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, Doctor Taylor and two important facts have been the result. One is that the human being needs sweets, and that they can be made just as tasty with the use of the substitutes mentioned above.

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Local & Personal.

R. C. Setton, cattleman, came in from his ranch Wednesday.

Chas. Miller, Cattle Raisers Association Inspector was here Wednesday.

W. B. Stanfield has moved back to his farm on the Nueces from Laredo.

W. B. Patton, of Fowlerton, was here Tuesday on his way home from San Antonio.

Turn your advertising matter into this office not later than Thursday of each week.

The first regular session of County Commissioners Court for this year will convene Monday morning.

Judge C. C. Thomas left Sunday for Pearsall where the spring term of District court opened Monday Morning.

Mrs. S. G. Yates, Jr. and two little daughters of El Reno, are visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. C. H. Rock.

Every onion grower should be at the meeting to be held at the Court House at 2 o'clock this afternoon. Important measures will be discussed.

Mrs. J. H. Gallman has returned from Laredo where she spent a week at the bedside of her mother, Mrs. Poole, who was ill with pneumonia, but is now out of danger and recovering.

Miss Kate Burwell was called to San Antonio Monday to the bedside of her sister, Miss Mary Burwell, who has been sick for two weeks or more with pneumonia.

W. C. Held was down from Millett Wednesday. He said there was no news of importance in his section of the county, and didn't look for any until it rained and then he expected to see things hum.

Superintendent Thompson has been out of the school practically all the week on account of the serious accident that happened in his home Monday morning when his little child was burned about the body and in extinguishing the fire he was burned on both hands.

NOTICE.

In accordance with the Food Conservation orders, there will not be any meat sold at my place of business on Tuesdays after this date.

J. W. Dunham.

W. E. Ramsey was up from Artesia Wells Wednesday. He intended to go back on the Grasshopper, but it broke down before it got here and he decided to ride home with a soldier, who was here in a car and headed that way. The soldier told him that he was out of gasoline and also out of money, so Mr. Ramsey gave him a dollar to buy gasoline. The soldier drove up to the garage, put in his gasoline, then lit a shuck without his passenger. Mr. Ramsey was somewhat enraged at his conduct at first but it soon developed that the officers were looking for said soldier for offenses up the road, and then on reflection, Mr. Ramsey thought perhaps he was pretty lucky after all, for it seems that some soldiers have a habit of getting people out on road and knocking them in the head and taking their purse. Mr. Ramsey is satisfied that the matter turned out as it did and that it cost him only one dollar.

AVISO.

Segun ordenes recibido de las autoridades Militares del Gobierno del Los Estados Unidos, toda Martes del cada semana no podemos vende carne de ninguna clasia y en consecuencia la marca del boja firnado en esos dias esta cerrado.

J. W. Dunham.

The other day we met a citizen going home with a package of beefsteak in one hand and a bag of eggs in the other. He said he had been observing meatless and eggless days for so long that he had begun to fear that he had forgotten how either tasted, so decided that at least for more time in his life he would have a good meal of steak and eggs. He requested that no mention be made of his extravagance.

Spring will soon be here and on account of the severe dry weather no trees or shrubs have been planted out this winter. Regardless of conditions trees should be planted, and it has been found that the Weesatche does better than any other variety. We would advise planting of this tree for shade. It makes a quick growth, makes a splendid shade, stands dry weather, and lives a long time. The only drawback is that they are rather hard to transplant.

MARY ELIZABETH BELL.

Mary Elizabeth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Bell, Jr., died at 11 o'clock Tuesday night in San Antonio, after an illness extending over a period of eight weeks. It was early in December when the little girl took suddenly and dangerously ill and her parents hurried her to the hospital in San Antonio, where she received the best medical attention possible. From a short time after the beginning of her illness but little hope was entertained for her recovery, but not that could be done was done to save her life.

The body was brought here today and taken to the Laredo, and interred in the family burial plot. She was born January 2, 1910, and was 8 years, 1 month and 15 days old at the time of her death. She was an exceptional bright child and the idol of her parents hearts. Her death has left a vacant place in the home that can never be filled at the angels of Heaven. She has gone to her eternal home of peace and rest, where the trials and sorrows of the earthly world are unknown.

Mrs. Elizabeth was a member of the Cotulla Presbyterian Sunday school, and the funeral was held by Rev. Harry W. Harrison, pastor of the Presbyterian church. The body was taken to the train by more than 25 mobile loads of friends of the family and accompanied to the Motta Ranch where the funeral service was held. Interment took place at 5 p. m. The little mound was literally covered with beautiful flowers. The RECORD joins the host of friends of the family in extending sympathy.

LAND SALES.

Mr. Minnie Allen Newell of San Antonio recently purchased 1420 acres of land from B. Wildenthal, Jr., and 320 acres from J. M. Dobie both tracts fronting the Nueces river five miles below Cotulla. She is now having cleared and expects to have 100 acres under irrigation by spring. A pumping plant is now being installed. W. L. Shillings has the management of the farm.

T. B. Poole bought from Bay City parties, through the Manly Agency 640 acres of land 6 miles down the river. He has about 50 Mexicans grabbing land and without about fifty acres under irrigation.

F. D. Lown purchased a half interest in 225 acres of land owned by J. H. Gallman fronting the Holland-Texas reservoir on the Nueces. They are clearing 100 acres to put under irrigation.

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