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HUN OFFENSE IS NOW LOSING MOMENTUM

Allies Getting Ready to Strike Back—German Losses from 10 to 20 Per Cent.

Associated Press Report—After six days of terrific fighting the German offensive in France is beginning to show signs of losing its momentum. The progress of the enemy has materially slackened and the form of the dent made in the allied line west of Cambrai has begun to resemble the familiar wedge-like salient, instead of the broad straightforward movement of an offensive which carries all before it.

At its apex this wedge has gone beyond Albert, to the south of that place of the old allied line as it stood a year ago when Von Hindenburg began his "strategic retreat." From this point the line runs off to the northeast at a gentle angle with the line to the south running back until it reaches the Oise river.

In spite of tremendous and terrible losses the German efforts to widen the tip of this salient were defeated on Tuesday. The British lines have stood firm to the north and have forced the Germans to turn southward toward the point of least resistance.

Official statements issued at London confirm the report from Berlin that American forces are engaged in the struggle. They are reported as "fighting shoulder to shoulder" with the French and British in the region of Roye, on the south side of the salient driven into the allied front. There has been no official report sent to Washington as to the identity of these troops who are taking part in this greatest battle in history.

With the slackening of the German pace there are indications that the allies are ready to strike back somewhere along the front. Just where this blow will be launched will not be known until it is struck, but it may be expected that its impact will be terrific. It is known that the allied war council at Versailles created a great strategic reserve of men to be used in just the contingency which confronts the armies which have borne the brunt of the fighting since last Thursday morning. This force probably will be launched when and where it is believed it will break the force of the German onslaught and send the enemy reeling back over the desert from which the British have slowly withdrawn.

Each succeeding day reveals the plan of the Germans absolutely to crush the allied lines west of Cambrai, a terrain which could not be defended by Von Hindenburg a year ago. Each official report shows that this sector is valueless from military standpoint and that the Germans have paid a terrible price for their advance to the lines established by the allies during the first two years of warfare.

It is officially reported that 70 German divisions or 840,000

men have taken part in the fighting and that troops have been moved from every part of the western battle front to reinforce the armies which have been forcing the British back. Observers at the front say that the German losses have been frightful and that the enemy has lost from 10 to 20 per cent of his men, by the most conservative estimates.

The situation as it stands seems to be a repetition of the dash of General Von Kluck on Paris in 1914 when the German artillery and transport could not keep up with the infantry and the French were able to turn back the invaders at the Marne. Reports from various sectors in the last two days have indicated that the German infantry, relying on its mass attacks, has fought without the customary assistance of artillery. To bring up heavy guns requires time and the German advance will steadily become more painful and costly.

While the German line of com-

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CALLED INTO THE SERVICE OF THEIR COUNTRY

List of White Registrants Who Will Entrain for Camp Travis Friday, March 29.

Following is a list of white registrants who are called by the Houston county local exemption board to entrain for Camp Travis Friday, March 29. The most of these registrants have had their appeals pending before the district board, but their papers were returned to the local board last week and they are certified for service. An exception is William Smith Harkins, order number 1007, who has volunteered to go before his number is reached. Smith tried to get into a branch of the service at Houston, but failed. He then tried at Camp Bowie, but again failed. He has now volunteered to go with the first increment of Houston county's new quota to Camp Travis and is giving up a local drug store job in order to do so. The list follows:

1 Bryant Harrelson.
30 Justin Fuller.

90 Ernest Clyde Oates.
107 Jesse E. Brashear.
206 B. Currie.
242 A. S. Gainey.
258 Jos. Sam Brown.
280 Jap Smitherman.
311 Louis Shupak.
319 Jas. E. Parker.
322 J. Rube Ferrell.
461 H. A. Stewart.
489 Geo. T. Walker.
516 Geo. W. Ellis.
522 Barker T. Larue.
525 R. B. Baker.
549 Aaron McCullar.
556 Lee Arnold.
557 Jno. R. Christian.
563 Ollie Dykes.
1007 Wm. Smith Harkins.

The Public Warned.

Notice is hereby given that the book, "The Finished Mystery," is dangerous propaganda and violation of the espionage act of the United States. All persons who sell, take orders for or distribute this book are hereby warned that they are violating the laws of the United States, and prosecutions will be instituted in the Federal court against them for such violations, under express orders of the attorney general of the United States. Clarence Merritt, United States Attorney, Eastern District of Texas.

GIGANTIC ATTACK BY ENEMY IS LAUNCHED

Germans Use More Than Seventy Divisions and Their Losses Exceed 400,000.

London, March 26.—The battle front extending northward to Arras is the center of another gigantic enemy attack. The crisis of the terrific struggle still has not been reached. The situation must be regarded with the keenest anxiety and the enemy is throwing in everything. The new thrust at Arras, if possible, is heavier than the drive on the Somme, where Anglo-French troops hold the old lines from which was launched the offensive of 1916. On the Somme battle front the Germans have shown signs of exhaustion, though sheer momentum is carrying them forward.

Amiens, a center of great strategic importance, is well covered by Haig's gallant troops. Tremendous pressure is being brought to bear on the northern end of the Albert-Roye line. Seventy-odd divisions, roughly 800,000 bayonets, have been hurled into the world's greatest battle by the enemy and his reserves are still moving up.

He has made heavy captures in guns, men and material, but what he has accomplished falls far short of a decision.

The Germans have dropped behind the schedule of the kaiser, who from St. Quentin is watching the struggle on which is staked his dynasty, and must be sharing the anxiety of his military leaders, who have already suffered probably 400,000 casualties.

The very fact that the kaiser is making the final gamble of the war means that the battle will continue some weeks and that both sides will throw in an ever-increasing number of troops until a decision is reached.

Cool and calm, Petain and Haig are waiting the psychological moment to spring their counter measures.

Petaim must block the way to Paris, Haig must guard the channel ports. Both have large reserves. Along the Albert-Roye line the allies are reorganizing their forces, while to the north, before Arras, they are handling the new problem of defending this sector, which fortunately is one of the strongest on the British front. The Canadians have come into action.

On the Somme and at Albert and Roye there are centers of terrific battles. The British have suffered heavy casualties and the loss of prisoners, guns and war materials, but their rear guard fighting is fully up to the standard of Mons.

Just now covering Amiens is allimportant, and if a successful stand is made all losses, territory included, are negligible and a small price for the toll exacted from the enemy in life, military prestige and eventually civilian and military morale.

Nothing short of a decision will satisfy the enemy and he is going to get it.

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WE ARE now receiving daily shipments of Hart Schaffner & Marx famous clothing. You should call at our store and inspect the latest creations in men and young men's suits. They are the best we could buy, and we only buy goods of known quality, goods that are bought to satisfy you—if they don't you get your money back. Who else can do that?

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Local News Items

Thursday, March 28, is official straw hat day.

C. C. O'Neal was here from Lancaster this week.

Miss Bella Lipscomb has returned from Galveston.

Break your Cold or LaGrippe with a few doses of 666. 13t

Mrs. W. C. Woms of Taylor is visiting Mrs. Ben. Janes.

Fresh fruit always at Crockett Grocery & Baking Co's. tf.

D. A. Nunn has returned from a trip to Bryan and Houston.

A complete and up-to-date abstract. tf. Aldrich & Crook.

Mrs. W. H. Smith of San Antonio is visiting Mrs. T. B. Monk.

Rub-my-tism—Antiseptic, for rheumatism, sprains, neuralgia.

Laddie Adams is at home from A. & M. College for a brief vacation.

Thursday, March 28, is straw hat day. See the nobby line at Jas. S. Shivers'. 1t.

Silver Moon Coffee is pure and free from chicory. Sold only at Grocery & Baking Co's. tf.

Dr. S. A. Miller has returned from a professional trip to Houston and New Orleans.

We received a car of Studebaker wagons this week. 1t. Jas. S. Shivers.

Buy 3 pounds Votan Coffee and get 1 pound free. tf. Crockett Grocery & Baking Co.

A. B. Burton has returned from Galveston. Mrs. Burton is yet in the Oleander city.

Get Griffon Royal Anne cherries; per can, 35 cents. tf. Crockett Grocery & Baking Co.

Those Studebaker wagons are here. Come and get yours. 1t. Jas. S. Shivers.

Three pounds Votan Coffee, with 1 pound free, for \$1.00. Crockett Grocery & Baking Co.

Best Pea Green alfalfa hay, in five bale lots, at \$1.35 per bale. 1t. Arnold Brothers.

You can buy one half gallon Velva syrup for 45 cents at Crockett Grocery & Baking Co's.

Easter is the time to dress up. Get your shirts, ties, collars, etc., at Jas. S. Shivers' and join the Easter parade. 1t.

That car of Studebaker wagons has arrived. "Nuf ced." 1t. Jas. S. Shivers.

Heinz Pork and Beans are far superior; per can, 25 cents. tf. Crockett Grocery & Baking Co.

Get that Easter necktie at Jas. S. Shivers'. A new shipment of beautiful four-in-hands just received. 1t.

Mrs. Chester Kennedy and Mrs. W. A. Riall of Grapeland were guests of Mrs. B. S. Elliott Monday.

Watermelon Seed. Kleckley's Sweet watermelon seed for sale at Kleckley's restaurant. 2t*

Miss Evelyn Bennett was at home from Baylor College, Belton, the first of the week for a brief vacation.

Charles Fuller is gathering tobacco for the soldiers at Camp Bowie. You will find his box at one of the street corners.

We will sell you, for a limited time, five bales of Pea Green alfalfa hay for \$1.35 per bale. 1t. Arnold Brothers.

Help win the war—use Aunt Jemima Pancake Flour; per package, 15 cents. tf. Crockett Grocery & Baking Co.

Hon. J. D. Sallas has returned from Austin, the legislature having about completed the business for which it was called in extra session.

Free Seeds for Farmers. The Courier has a lot of vegetable and flower seeds to be distributed free to farmers who will call for them. tf.

H. J. Phillips Jr. is at home from military school at Lebanon, Tenn. He will remain at home until the smallpox scare in the school has subsided.

Seeded ribbon cane, sorghum, Sudan, German and cattail millet, Wurzel-beet, rape pole bean, watermelon and cantaloupe seeds, onion sets. See Johnson Arledge. tf.

Good, sound, dry ear corn in shuck and a few more maize heads to close out before the mill closes down. If you need any of the above, see me at the oil mill. 2t. S. T. Allee.

Notice. See pedigree of Noble Fox Boy B in Commercial Club window and take advantage of the liberal offer I am making for a short while at \$5.00 cash. This is one of the best bred bulls in the United States, and you will not have opportunity to breed to him another year. 2t. W. D. Collins.

\$5.00 Reward. I have lost a dark red heifer, two years old. Will pay \$5.00 for her return. tf. J. C. Millar.

For Sale. My property consisting of two houses and one acre of land one block from the public square. Will sell one or both. 2t. John D. Friend.

Good, sound, dry ear corn in shuck and a few more maize heads to close out before the mill closes down. If you need any of the above, see me at the oil mill. 2t. S. T. Allee.

Junk Rubber Wanted. Bring us your old automobile casings, tubes, or any other junk rubber you may have, and get the money for it.—Day and Night Garage, E. E. McLemore, Proprietor. 2t.

Estray Notice. Taken up on the 12th day of March at my place one black unmarked boar. Owner can have same by calling for him. W. H. Holcomb Jr., Augusta, Texas. tf.

Sewer Pipe. All sizes on hand—4-inch, 6-inch and 8-inch—and all connections for same. Get busy and order your supplies while the stock is complete. Phone us and we will gladly give you any information concerning it. Smith-Murchison Hardware Company. tf.

Notice. To my friends and the general public:—Remember, please, I will be in Lovelady at Jno. B. Turner's drug store Wednesday, April 3; in Crockett at Bishop Drug Company Thursday, April 4; in Elkhart at F. A. Douthit's drug store, Friday, April 5; in Grapeland at Dave Leaverton's drug store Saturday, April 6. One day only at either place. Eyes examined, glasses fitted. G. Ward Shelfer, Optometrist. 2t.

Money to Loan

We buy vendor lien notes—Loan Money on long time. Have been doing it for fourteen years with Houston county farmers. We can refer you to a host of farmers we have helped and they now own their farms clear. See us before placing a loan with anybody.

The Firm that Gives Personal Service to Farmers.

WARFIELD BROTHERS

Office North Side Public Square. CROCKETT, TEXAS.

Are You Getting Ready to connect with the city sewer? If so, get in touch with us. We handle sinks, lavatories, bath tubs, faucets and all fittings, and will make you a close price on same. Come in and let us talk it over with you. Smith-Murchison Hardware Company. tf.

Stores Asked to Close. All stores selling groceries have been asked by the federal food commissioner to close their doors at 6:30 o'clock every evening. This will give the clerks in those stores an opportunity to go home and work their war gardens. A movement is on foot to have all other stores co-operate. Dry goods stores are now closing earlier than grocery stores. This early closing movement is in the interest of food conservation through the war-garden method.

Election Notice. March 11th, 1918. Be it ordained by the city council of the City of Crockett that an election be and the same is hereby ordered to be held, in the said City of Crockett, on the first Tuesday in April, 1918, same being the 2nd day of April, 1918, for the purpose of electing a mayor and two aldermen. Ed Douglass is hereby appointed judge of said election. By order of the City Council. J. H. Painter, Mayor. Attest: C. A. Hassell, City Secretary. 2t.

Bargain Offer. The Houston Daily and Sunday Post one year by mail for \$5.99, Daily without Sunday \$3.99. This is the Post's Annual Bargain Offer and is good from March 15th to March 31st—17 days. Send in your order at once. Address: The Houston Post, Houston, Texas. 3t.

Announcement. We take pleasure in announcing to our friends, patrons and the general public that we will have with us again Thursday, April 4, Dr. G. Ward Shelfer, who comes to our drug store regularly and makes a specialty of refraction, fitting spectacles and eyeglasses. Come in as early as you can, as he will be with us one day, only, this trip—Thursday, April 4. Bishop Drug Company, 1t. Crockett, Texas.

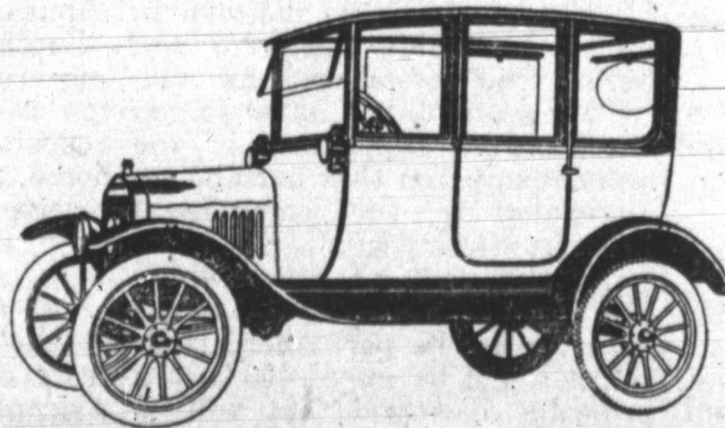
Fertilizers. No more phosphate is to be had now. We therefore can furnish but little more phosphate or mixed fertilizers. We think we will be able to get more phosphate in about sixty days. We suggest to planters that they use, when planting, straight cotton seed meal, which will push the stalk growth, and after the plant is up run around the same with straight acid phosphate. This might be the best way, any way, if we should have excessive rains a little later. For corn cotton seed meal is good alone. Houston County Oil Mill & Manufacturing Co. 2t.

Ford
THE UNIVERSAL CAR

More and more the enclosed motor car grows strong in popular favor. It's natural, especially with Ford cars, which are busy running every day of the year—winter and summer the Ford serves faithfully and profitably. So for a real genuine family car there is nothing equal to the Ford Sedan at \$695 f. o. b. Detroit. Seats five. Large doors, plate glass sliding windows, silk curtains, deeply upholstered seats, latest type ventilating windshield—a car of refined luxury with the everlastingly reliable Ford chassis. Come in and know more about this superior car.

Towery Motor Company

Dealer for Houston County



A Short Easter Page

CROSS IN HISTORY

Proof That It Was Mystic Emblem Long Before the Time of Christianity.

In the Latin Vulgate the prophet Ezekiel says in Chapter 9:4-6, that those whom the Lord wished to save from the sword he caused the man with the inkhorn to mark on the forehead with the sign "thau" which is the name of the Hebrew letter of the shape of a cross. In the English version this is thus translated, the reading being:

"And the Lord said unto him: Go through the midst of the city, through the midst of Jerusalem, and set a mark upon the foreheads of the men that sigh and cry for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof."

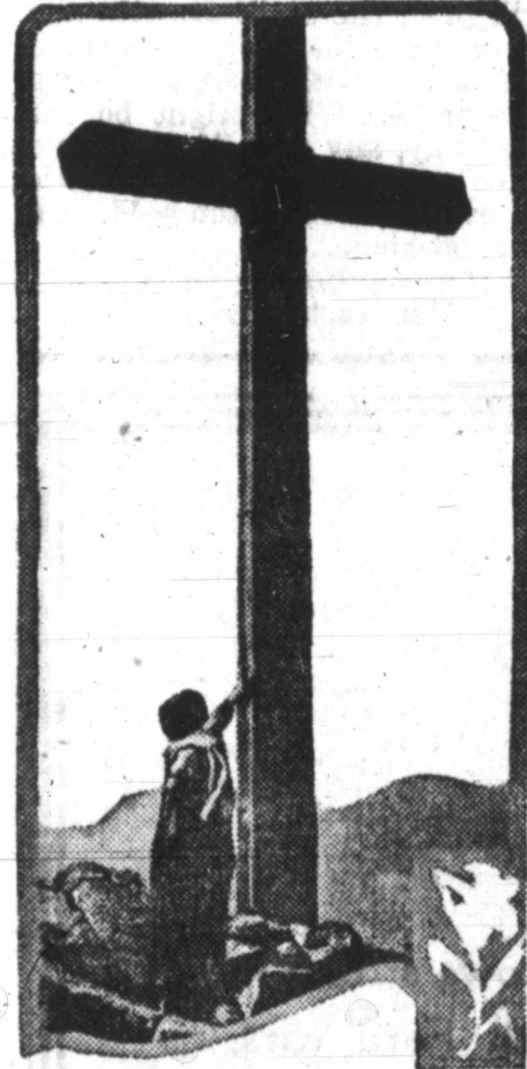
Prescott tells us that the Spaniard found the cross an object of worship in many of the native temples of Mexico.

Doctor Brinton in his "Myths" declares that the Indians regarded the sign of the cross as a mystic emblem, even before they ever heard of Christianity.

The hammer of the god Thor was of the shape of a cross, a fact of which Longfellow appears to have been ignorant, for at the feast of King Olaf, he has represented the two signs as made in opposition to each other.

The Rev. Baring Gould has said he found no difficulty in believing that the sign of the cross was an important emblem in nearly all primeval religions.

Cicero inveighed often and fiercely against the use of the cross as an instrument of torture and death. He



Cross on Hill in Palestine.

argued that it was shameful to the Romans to use a method so utterly barbarous. Had his advice been taken what would now hold the place of the cross as the emblem of the Christian religion?

They Walk With God.

Today, why should we seek the living among the dead? Our vanished loved ones are not in the dust of our cemeteries; they walk with God in white. As shone the angel faces and the angel robes, so shine their faces and their white-robed forms in light. We walk alone for a while. There are empty places in home and church; there are empty chairs and

COMMERCIAL CLUB SHOWING PROGRESS

The New Board of Directors Makes a Good Beginning.

As stated a couple of weeks ago, an entirely new board of directors was selected at the annual meeting recently held, and that promise of added activity was apparent.

This prediction was well founded, judging from what the new membership committee has accomplished. During the first two years, the membership committee practically did no work, as the membership of the club had been kept up to no

accus; but there is a light still burning where they were; a light in the mourning mother's arms, a strange, sweet light in the home; something like a glory in the very air, as though angels had swept past on gleaming wings, and left a train of light from earth to heaven. Oh, seek the living among the living! Lift up your sad faces toward the light, toward the smiles which are falling from heaven, and let this Easter time be full of faith and hope and praise! "Why seek ye the living among the dead?" "Jesus and his own are alive for evermore."—F. M. Bristol, D. D.

WATCH FOR DAWN OF EASTER

Thousands Gather on Mountain of Southern California to Take Part in Religious Ceremony.

In one of the loveliest spots in southern California, rising above the green orange and lemon groves of the valley, stands a bare and rugged mountain peak. Crowning its highest point is a great wooden cross. Nearby on huge boulders are swung two iron bells, and set in another high boulder is a bronze tablet recording that this mountain top is dedicated to Fra Junipero Serra, a sturdy old Spanish priest who, many years before California came into the Union, many years before the revolution which created the Union, strode back and forth across the desert Christianizing and civilizing the Indians.

But nowhere does his actual spirit seem to dwell as on this lonely mountain. For every year, at the dawn of Easter, people of the valley and of the entire state climb the mountain and take part in a religious ceremony which cannot be duplicated in the world.

All night before the event the roads are filled with pilgrims—in motorcars, in carriages and wagons and on foot.



Greeting Dawn of Easter.

Through the dark they travel in silence for the most part, for the hour is solemn. Before the dawn there are as many as 30,000 people on that mountain top gazing into the pale eastern sky. Suddenly the pale sky is pierced by a pencil of golden light. Then another, and then the morning sun. A cornet solo hails it first, followed by the music and the chanting of the Mass. Would that it were given to every soul of us once a year to climb a mountain top with a great multitude and lift up our hearts to the pure dawn.—Rheto Childre Dorr.

new committee in looking over the list thought that an effort should be made to increase it, and started out with the idea of getting the support of every business man or firm in town and succeeded. That is to say, there is only one business concern in Crockett outside the fold, and before this is printed he will, in all probability, have joined the band of supporters of the active campaign that is to be inaugurated by the commercial club for this year.

At the next meeting, which will be called this week, the remainder of the permanent committees will be appointed and a program discussed that will be adopted. The increased income that will result from the new members, together with the added amounts that some of the old

KEEP OLD CUSTOM

People of Brittany Combine Ancient Legends With Easter Ceremonies.

Of all annual festivals among Christian nations, Easter seems to have made the most serious impression, and the customs connected with its first celebrations to have lingered the longest. Europe, with its many nations, and, therefore, many peoples, has ever been the scene of various ceremonies distinctly belonging to the separate countries, with the Latin church always in the lead in the matter of picturesque symbols and processions.

The war last year and this will make a difference in some districts, but wherever there are a few gathered together in his name in the neighborhood of mighty cathedrals still standing, or tiny kirks in the heart of the woods or along the sea, there will some feature of the story of the Atonement be told in symbols.

In Brittany, a southern province of France, which nestles close to the Pyrenees, and in consequence perhaps takes on something of the colorful atmosphere of its neighbors, the Spanish provinces, many interesting customs are observed. It is a land of legends.

On Easter morning at the Church of St. Cronley, in the village of Finistere, Brittany, every man, woman and child of the vicinity is in attendance. The women and children are in their best frocks and snowiest caps, and the men are leading the cattle to the door of this church, which would do credit to a city of size.

There the priest receives the men and animals, and while the women cluster around, gravely listening, the cattle are blessed and the care of St. Cronley invoked in their behalf. This saint is a great favorite all over Brittany; and, like so many traditions of the Bretons, his story is connected with many legends.

He was hunted by wild men until death seemed near, when suddenly every pursuer was turned into a stone, and so they stand today, one group forming a regular border along the road from Carnac to Kerlescant.

SPRINGTIME CHARM IN SUITS



A Church street girl on her way to attend Easter services in Crockett Sunday morning.

members have agreed to pay, will give the club a little capital to work with, something that it has been lacking right from the very beginning.

Encouraging new settlers to take up and improve our many thousands of unoccupied acres of rich agricultural lands, and the creation of new industries, the raw material for which is deposited or raised right here at home, are the features that will receive serious attention.

H. A. Fisher, Secretary.

Gause Patton advertised syrup in the Courier and got orders from as far away as Bisbee, Arizona; Emmett Robert advertised plants for sale and got orders from away off at Leggett, Texas. Nobody doubts these days that advertising pays.

Easter



Hundreds of charming Hats—styles and values so far above the average that they are practically in a class by themselves. Every new style makes its appearance in this line—every new idea is shown as soon as developed. Among the latest arrivals are the Lisere Straw Hats, with the bright lacquered finish, in black and colors—Pokes, Sailors, Hats with roll or drooping brims, and many of the fashionable Cornered Hats.

Some are trimmed with great spreading wings, others with perky little wings; many have a touch of color in a single flower, a little nosegay, a bit of fruit—and many, very many, are ribbon trimmed.

It is a delightful collection that shows no partiality, but displays everything that is new, and something for every woman.

VERY EXCEPTIONAL VALUES AT \$3.50 TO \$25.00.

Hail & Wakefield

Easter Services.

Program for the Easter Day services at the First Methodist church of Crockett:

Easter morning—Organ voluntary, "Alleluia" (George N. Rockwell).

Hymn No. 157. Prayer, Anthem, "King of Kings" (Harry Rowe Shelley).

Psalms. Gloria. New Testament lesson.

Offertory—(a) "The Swan," (Saint-Saens); (b) soprano solo, "Hail Glorious Morn" (Adam Geibel), Miss Clarite Elliott.

Sermon. Hymn No. 159. Benediction. Postlude.

Evening—Sacred concert. Organ voluntary, "Largo," (Haendel).

Anthem, "The King's Brigade." Prayer.

Quartette with soprano solo, "The Lord Our Savior is Risen" (Soule); Miss Virginia May Foster, soloist; quartette, Mrs. J. P. Hail, L. L. Moore, Miss Craddock, Mr. Seamon.

Violin obligato, Mr. Tunstall. Organ: (a) "To a Wild Rose," (McDowell); (b) "From the Land of the Sky Blue Water," (Cadman).

Bass solo, "The Angel's Song" (H. R. Shelley), Mr. Seamon. Anthem, "King of Kings," (Harry Rowe Shelley). It might be interesting to know something of this modern American composer.

Harry Rowe Shelley was born in New Haven, Conn., 1858; has written many piano and organ pieces, and is at present organist of one of New York City's Presbyterian churches.

Organ and instruments: "Jesus Lover of My Soul," (Tours); first violin, Mr. Tunstall; second violins, Misses Erin Tunstall and Itelle Powell; cornet, Miss Victory Tunstall.

Offertory, "La Golondrina." Soprano solo, "Close to Thee," (Briggs), Mrs. Hail.

Organ, "In Summer" (Stebbins); (b) "Midsummer Ca-

price," (Johnston).

Quartette, "Hosanna" (Granier), Mrs. Hail, Mr. Moore, Miss Craddock, Mr. Seamon.

Organ, violins and cornet, "Melodie in F," (Rubinstein).

Anthem, "What Are These Which Are Arrayed in White?" (Stultz).

Benediction. Postlude. Mrs. A. M. Decuir, organist; Mrs. J. P. Hail, choir leader.

Executive Committee Meeting.

Lovelady, Texas, March 20.

There will be a meeting of the Houston County Democratic Executive Committee on Saturday, March 30, at two o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing a chairman, Mr. Allen, the present chairman, having decided to resign.

C. C. Allen, Chairman.

E. C. Thompson, Secretary.

SUMMER BLOUSE OF VOILE



Fine voile is the most durable of all the sheer fabrics that are used for making summer blouses and for this reason it deserves the fine needlework that is lavished on it. In the plain and elegant blouse shown here, rows of tucks and small pearl buttons are used for decoration. The faultless workmanship required to make groups of tucks centers attention on them and being accomplished they prove the best of all adornments for the tailored blouse.

Easter Styles and Customs

GOOD LINES IN WOOL SKIRT



Given a smart blouse and well-fitting skirt the woman who knows how to wear them will command admiration of a kind and degree not given to less practical clothes. She will look "fit" to meet any demands the day may make upon her and refreshingly neat.

The separate skirt shown above is an indistinct plaid in a woolen fabric. Its charm lies in perfect fit more than anything else, but buttons in two sizes call attention to its good lines.

SILK SKIRTS FOR THIS SPRING



The silk skirt of this spring usually indulges in a tunic which prides itself upon being uneven in length and gracefully draped. The skirt shown above has such a tunic and furthermore it contrives to dispose of most of its fullness at the front, after the manner of French frocks of today. This with its narrow, straight line underskirt and girde of the silk tied in front leave no question as to its good style.

LILIES OF EASTER

In Every Variety May Be Found a Symbol of the Faith of the Christian.



EVERYWHERE they are blooming. Lilies in the fields of life. But there needs no symbolism for welcome of the lilies at this season of the year. The lilies are opening their petals and looking out upon the spring sunshine and the fields of green. And those

that do not belong to the out-of-doors are found in prodigal lavishness at the florists' and these have been carried to the churches for the feast of the lilies that is styled Easter day. Somewhere all these lilies had their original habitat. And now they are widely cultivated.

There is the lily of the annunciation in its spotless white and heart of gold. There is the Easter lily, that curves back its petals so that the golden center may gleam like the light from the heart of the star. There are the lilies-of-the-valley that exhale their precious perfume in a wealth of odor that exhilarates and intoxicates. There is the lily auratum, the gold-banded lily that appears to be the crown of grace for the beneficiaries of the resurrection. There, too, is the red-spotted lily that seems to emblemize the crucifixion. Is it not this lily of which it is said that it grew at the foot of the cross and received some drops of the blood that trickled therefrom? Then there is the tiger lily, with its splashes of vivid color, that seems to set forth the passions of humankind that the resurrection rebukes. In the gardens of the Southland are already blooming the brown-spotted garden lilies, and they seem to tell of the common life and its trials and afflictions and humble circumstance. They, too, are lilies fit for the open tomb of Easter day.

But the lily that stands cold, exotic and passionless, the calla lily, is not to be lost sight of. For refinement and culture and the type of life that is preserved from much of the outward harshness of existence needs to be symbolized today and the calla lily is its symbol. But faith is likewise present in that red lily found in warm windows, the amaryllis. It seems to carry the warmth and intensity of faith with it. So life is replete with lilies and the day sees their unfolding at the tomb in celebration of the renewal of all life with the coming of spring, including human life.



Palm's Significance.

The palm so connected with the triumphal entry of our Lord into Jerusalem is the staff St. Christopher used when as Offero he unawares bore Christ Himself on his shoulder in his work of carrying the weak and small across a raging river. St. Clara, founder of the Poor Clares, when she made her vows, received from St. Francis a palm, which in those days was especially a mark of holiness with the Crusaders.

SUIT WITH LIGHT WAISTCOAT



Suits pursue a happy middle course this spring in the matter of decoration. None of them are uncompromisingly plain and few of them are much trimmed. Small covered buttons make a quiet finishing touch for the example of faultless tailoring shown in the picture. The coat just escapes closing at the front and shows a slight cut-away below its buckle and strap fastening. It is worn over a light waistcoat and has an odd new sleeve that widens below the elbow.

TUNIC FROCK OF SERGE



A tunic frock of serge, embellished with narrow bands of silk embroidery at the waistline and small, cloth-covered buttons, shows that it is minded to follow the modes for spring in every particular. It has a narrow underbodice, an irregular tunic and a semi-bodice. A collar of embroidered brightens the neck opening.

Hats! Hats! Hats!



The Vogue Millinery will put on sale Friday and Saturday for Cash only, all Pattern and Trimmed Hats at

25 PER CENT DISCOUNT.

Included are 15 Gage Hats from \$8.50 to \$12.00.

Don't fail to see these Hats. You'll want one.

The Vogue Millinery

- 539 Payne Demby.
- 541 Dewey Daniels.
- 566 Cleveland Robertson.
- 570 John Stewart.
- 576 Isic Dickson.
- 575 John Streety.
- 582 Cal Jeoga.
- 583 Arnold Hall.
- 591 Lewis Hubbard.
- 592 Josh McDaniel.
- 601 Claud M. Watson.
- 614 Preston Cook.
- 616 Henry Holly.
- 617 Eddie Furch.
- 621 Phil McDaniel.
- 634 Thos. Major.
- 639 John Glover.
- 641 Iota Richardson.
- 649 Cephos Smith.
- 662 Tom Tryon.
- 666 Flote Thomas.
- 668 Ethel Johnston.
- 685 Jeff Talford.
- 697 Sam Johnson.
- 702 Marcus Blake.
- 723 Lawson Smith.
- 726 Lee Hall.

Mrs. Jordan Dead.

Mrs. W. R. Jordan died at her home at 523 Division street today at 12:48 o'clock in the afternoon. Mrs. Jordan had been very ill for several days, and her family and friends knew that the end was near, and that nothing could be done to save her life.

Mrs. Jordan was Miss Annie Pauline Wall of Crockett, Texas, prior to her marriage to Mr. W. R. Jordan, and was the daughter of Judge and Mrs. W. B. Wall of that city. She is survived by her parents, a sister, Miss Evelyn Wall, and three brothers, W. C. Wall and Charles Wall, of Lake Charles; and Walton B. Wall, now of Stuttgart, Ark. Her parents, sister and W. C. and Charles Wall have been at her bedside since her condition became serious, and were with her to the end. She was born at Crockett, Texas, on August 28, 1874, and was married to W. R. Jordan in June, 1900.

After the marriage Mr. and Mrs. Jordan made their home in Lake Charles, where they were always prominent in social and musical circles, until the past year, when Mr. Jordan's health failed him, and he passed away last November. Since his death Mrs. Jordan has been ill much of the time, her sorrow contributing to her physical distress in many ways, as she had no heart or courage to gather up the threads of her broken life.

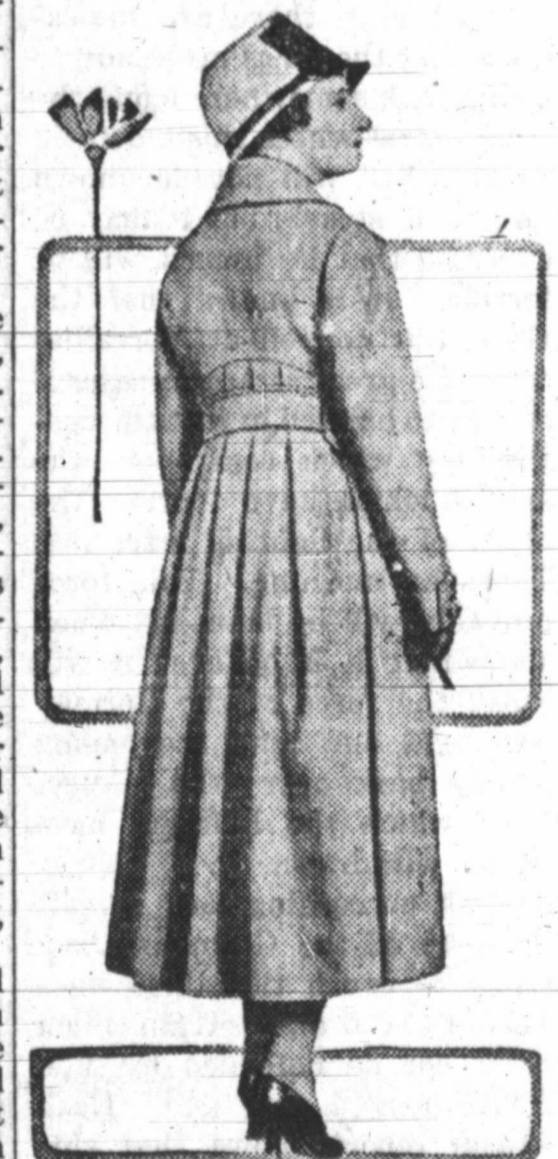
She was an ardent lover of music and has worked during the

past years untiringly for the development of a musical circle in this city. She was a charter member of the Symphony club, and was its first president. All the members will miss her enthusiasm, her bright, inspiring presence, cheerfulness and co-operation in their work, as few had the grasp of matters as she had.

Her many friends in social and church circles will miss a valued friend and co-worker, for Mrs. Jordan was one of those noble Christian characters who made the world a better, brighter place for their having lived in it, even for a brief space.

Funeral services will be held at the residence on Division street tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, Rev. C. B. K. Weed of the Episcopal church officiating, the interment following at Graceland cemetery. — Lake Charles American-Press.

SIMPLE BUT INGENIOUS COAT



Every one of the new coatings for spring will look well made up in this simple but chic and ingenious style. At the waist and neck it has the raised lines that prove becoming and are feature in this season's styles. A belt of the cloth across the back confines the box plaits to the figure and three buttons prove sufficient as a finishing touch to the cuffs.

COLORED REGISTRANTS CALLED INTO SERVICE

List of Those Who Will Entrain for Camp Travis Monday, April 1, Next.

Following is a list of colored registrants called by the Houston county local exemption board to entrain for Camp Travis on Monday, April 1. These are the first negroes to go from Houston county and there will be more of them to go before the first quota is completed. The first quota of white registrants has been completed. The list follows:

- 26 Earl F. Wooten.
- 45 Wm. M. Lacy.
- 49 James Henry Simpson.
- 52 Jesse Smith.
- 56 Jordan Simmons.
- 80 Robert Daniels.
- 88 Edward Strange.

- 89 Sam Colter.
- 99 Love Gilford.
- 118 Aaron Gardner.
- 124 Eddie Washington.
- 127 Otho Hackett.
- 127 1/2 Garfield Fisher.
- 130 Wm. Wagner.
- 137 John H. Williams.
- 147 Oscar Delane.
- 148 Warfield Hunter.
- 156 Lee Goree Jolly.
- 157 Virginia Walker.
- 181 Fado Woolbright.
- 186 Leroy Jordan.
- 188 Ira Jones.
- 189 Alton Nathaniel.
- 202 Loyd Kemmion.
- 205 Bug Nathaniel.
- 211 Sullivan Jackson.
- 213 Quincey Spearman.
- 217 Ike Patton.
- 239 Jesse Bain.
- 245 Monroe Warfield.
- 246 Clifford Barfield.
- 249 Monroe Potts.
- 262 Elijah Beavers.
- 270 Glover Penland.
- 278 George Medlock.

- 279 Peter Woods.
- 282 William Wooden.
- 289 Willie B. Sanders.
- 288 Ishmael Lee Williams.
- 298 Floyd Potts.
- 303 Chancey Moseley.
- 328 Frank Hayden.
- 342 William Otis Bonner.
- 376 Ed R. Gary.
- 388 Henry Peters.
- 377 Howard Ross.
- 401 Rafe Warfield.
- 403 Beasley King.
- 408 Marshall Lott.
- 425 Charlie Jenkins.
- 428 1/2 Charlie Howard Tarver.
- 435 Willie Harris.
- 438 Tommie Thompson.
- 450 Woody Ross.
- 455 Nollie Wooten.
- 460 Edward Gale.
- 469 Ruie Smith.
- 490 Harrison Pearson.
- 502 Dave Rich.
- 513 Earl Sherman.
- 517 Gus Washington.
- 523 Bud M. Wynne.
- 534 Button Burns.

**WITH THE COLORS
AT CAMP BOWIE**

**Grand Review of 36th Division At
Camp Bowie Being Planned.**

Fort Worth, Texas, March 23.—Arrangements have been made by a committee of officials and citizens whereby Major General E. St. John Greble, commander at Camp Bowie, has agreed to order out for a parade and review on the downtown streets April 4 the entire Thirty-sixth Division with its arms and accoutrements. Details of the review are now being prepared and it is expected that the pageant will attract thousands of visitors from all parts of Oklahoma and Texas, as the division is almost entirely composed of former national guardsmen of those states who may leave in a short time for duty overseas. Only one review has been held thus far by the division since it was organized. On the former occasion but little advance notice was given the public and the review took place on a prairie seven miles west of town and was not accessible except to people with automobiles. The review now contemplated will be conducted in the heart of the city and the troops will parade along the principal streets. The governors of Texas and Oklahoma as well as mayors of towns and other officials will likely be present in addition to the throngs of visitors from all localities who are interested in individual soldiers.

An announcement of great interest was made during the week when it was stated from Washington that Camp Bowie is soon to be converted into a permanent training camp for the duration of the war and greatly enlarged. Barracks of brick and lumber will be erected to take the place of the tents, which will be discarded. Men of the selective draft to the number of thirty or forty thousand will be trained at the camp after the departure of the Thirty-sixth Division.

Health conditions at the local cantonment were never better than they are at present. Nearly all contagious diseases have been stamped out and the hospital has fewer patients than ever before. A few cases of cerebrospinal meningitis have made their appearance here and there and one or two deaths therefrom have resulted but prompt action in quarantining the companies where such cases have occurred and other vigorous measures have prevented the disease from gaining any foothold. Most of the men are more vigorous and healthy at the end of the seven months' training than they ever were in their lives before and people at a distance who have not seen their sons since they left home last fall to enter the camp would be surprised and pleased with the transformation. Thin men have become stouter and stout men have become thinner, while nearly all are muscular, bronzed and straight and have the appearance of athletes. Pale, stoop-shouldered young men from offices and counting rooms are among those who have received the greatest benefit.

THE GERMAN OFFENSIVE.

The news from France ought to have a sobering effect upon the American mind. If the unprecedented onslaught of the Germans against the British line, which is continuing with vast numbers of fresh troops, should finally assume a decisive character there will be much for the republic of the West to think about.

It is not especially profitable to look backward, except in so far as we may profit from the experience, but it looks very much as if the sinking of the Lusitania was the challenge to which America ought to have responded promptly.

The real situation was never materially changed between that act and the declaration of war nearly two years later. Action then would have afforded almost three years to prepare for events now impending.

In matter of ships, men, arms, munitions and all the needful things of warfare we would have been far advanced, and probably we should have been sufficiently advanced a year ago to save the Russian situation.

But whatever might have happened, we must look to the present predicament of the allies and recognize that matters are in a serious condition and that great sacrifices for an indefinite period of time become imperative. Above all things there must be no defeat for America, whatever disaster may happen elsewhere.

With the fate of civilization trembling in the balances, there must be a new dedication of America to liberty, justice and democracy. It may be that we are entering a long period of sacrifice and sorrow, that we may have

to struggle decades before the Teutonic peril shall be finally conquered, and that to accomplish the supreme objective it may be necessary to dedicate all our fortunes, as well as our lives and sacred honor.

The commercial spirit, which is an inevitable growth of a long era of peace, is not easily subdued in a nation that has become as rich as the United States. Stern facts, however, must at last hammer their way into commerce and convince it that it is secondary and subordinate to the issues upon which international wars are conducted, and for the reason that even where commerce itself is a prime cause of war, it is usually displaced before the end by the vital issues of independence itself?

Up to this time, the United States has not been convinced that its existence as a free nation is at stake in this war, but that is the stake nevertheless, just as much as it is the stake with Great Britain and France.

We have not felt even that our commerce was seriously threatened, since the war has opened a vista of profits of such magnitude that the not inconsiderable mercenary element of the population is inclined to regard the war as a good thing, since it involves the loss of very little American life and yields unheard of profits.

Of course, the mercenary view, the profiteering view, is based upon an ignorance as pitiful as its spirit is contemptible.

We must hope and pray that Britain's line may hold and that it will prove as impassable as was the French line at Verdun. If our allies can hold the line this year, the United States will come up in everincreasing strength for the future and the fate of the world will be assured.—Houston Post.

**ACCOMMODATION TO
CHANGE IS SIMPLE**

Set Up Clock on Night of March 30,
Go to Bed and Forget It.

Washington, March 23.—The daylight saving bill recently approved by President Wilson and timed to become effective the morning of March 31, is designed to give the people an extra hour of daylight but does not seek to require that the extra hour be added to the day of labor. From 2 o'clock in the morning of March 31, the law will require that time shall be reckoned by advancing clocks and watches one hour. This condition obtains until the last Sunday in October, when the timepieces are to be moved back an hour, thus putting the country on the sun time, as at present.

The chief benefit of the new plan may be said to be to the national health by reason of having an additional hour of daylight which may be devoted to recreation, and the promotion of earlier retiring and the getting up earlier. There will be a marked conservation of coal, oil, gas and electric power, with increases in the manufacturing production along with improved working conditions. The man or woman who wants to grow a garden will have an extra hour in the afternoon to work it. But above all, the law is regarded as valuable during the war emergency.

While the law requires that the change in time shall take place at 2-a. m., most people will make the change in their timepieces as they retire and then they will forget it until the 26th of October, when timepieces are switched to the present status again.

The story of the battle between the Germans and the British is more impressive as sketched by the headlines than it is as told by the text. This is not to accuse the headlines of exaggeration. It is merely to recognize the impracticability of setting forth in the headlines the qualifying phrases and sentences that are a part of the text. The proclamation that the Germans succeeded in breaking the British line sounds ominous, but when one comes to the text one finds that they accomplished no more than the bending of it at a certain point. The British not only expected, but planned to recoil from the first shock, so that the fact of their retirement need dismay no one. The question is whether they made the Germans pay the toll counted on for the territory yielded to them. The information on these two points is meager at the moment of writing, but such as we have indicates that the German success is out of proportion to the price they have been made to pay for it, and in that case it is, if a victory at all, a Pyrrhic one, a few repetitions of which will destroy the hopes which the Germans have staked on this mighty offensive.—Galveston News.

A Further Introduction of the New Modes in Easter Frocks and Tailored Suits

☞ This week we introduce in the Garment Section many of the smartest ideas in fashionable Frocks for Easter and spring wear. Every day during the past week express shipments brought us large quantities of these late creations that have just made their appearance in the market.

☞ You will find here the largest collection of original interpretations of the very latest modes in authentic Spring Dresses, Tailored Suits, Skirts and Coats, and in an assortment greater than for any time in the past.

Sprightly Styles in Spring Suits

There is no lack of variety in suits this spring—there is a style for every figure. Here is one that fulfills all the requirements of the mode—with short coat, slim lines and ingenious decoration. There is not an inch of cloth to spare in the skirt, and having saved to the utmost here the designer was able to indulge the coat in sprightly ripples at each side of a back panel. Embroidery in a braided pattern of the same color as the cloth, and very small buttons make an elegant decoration.



Lovely Frock of Georgette

Whenever she elects to wear this charming afternoon dress, its owner may do so with the comfortable feeling that it is a work of art. It will not suffer by any sort of comparison, being both beautiful and up to date. Twice it affirms its allegiance to the tunic; once in a long-over skirt and again in the flounce with deep tucks over the hips and at the back. An applique of satin, outlined with embroidery in a braid pattern, challenges our admiration. It is a new idea adapted with cleverness to a beautiful and useful gown.



About the Season's Waist

When the roll call of decorations for this season's blouses is in order, small tucks and filet lace are nearly always present. Whether of sheer cotton or silk crepe the blouses of today are devoted to these two ornamentations more than to any others. There are some blouses that find room for a little embroidery along with lace and tucks. One of them, of white crepe georgette, is shown in the picture.



JAMES S. SHIVERS
CROCKETT'S BIG STORE

Do You Expect to Buy an Automobile?

Factories have all reduced their production 30 per cent to 50 per cent, and railroad equipment is almost unobtainable, so shipments will be limited. IT IS PRACTICALLY CERTAIN THAT AUTOMOBILES WILL BE SCARCE AND THERE WILL BE TWO BUYERS FOR EVERY ONE AVAILABLE. Material is getting higher, and AUTOMOBILES MUST ADVANCE IN PRICE, in fact many have already done so. We can give no better advice than to say BUY NOW, if you expect to buy at all.

We unloaded last week 25 "Dodge Brothers" Automobiles, as the railroad records will show, and at this writing have none unsold. We have a few more enroute, and could take signed orders for same, delivery on arrival. WE ADVISE QUICK ACTION, IF YOU WANT A "DODGE BROTHERS" CAR. This is the

recognized greatest automobile value—making most miles per gallon of gasoline (many owners getting over 20 miles), using very little lubricating oil, and a mileage of 8000 to 10000 miles on tires is often made. No car performs better in sand or mud, or pulls hills with more ease and the up-keep expense is practically confined to buying gasoline and oil. The car is fully GUARANTEED BY THE FACTORY, AND OUR SERVICE IS BEHIND EVERY SALE. Let us show you a "DODGE BROTHERS" car, and take your order now.

We have 20 "BUICK" AUTOMOBILES enroute, with actual sales already made of 10. If you are interested in the GREATEST SIX CYLINDER CAR, let us show you a "BUICK." We also have 2 or 3 of the four-cylinder cars, and they are wonderful performers, and most economical in operation.

These cars will not last long, and we will be glad to figure with any one interested in either a "BUICK" SIX or "BUICK" FOUR. These great cars are too well and favorably known to need commendation from us, for "When Better Automobiles Are Built "BUICK" Will Build Them." ASK US TO DEMONSTRATE A BUICK TO YOU.

Our Mr. C. L. Edmiston returned from Detroit and Flint, where he secured the limited number of "Dodge Brothers" and "Buick" automobiles. We have no assurance of further deliveries, and those we obtained were accepted there, and we had to arrange for transportation. We can't promise reasonable delivery on more, and those we have may be sold by the time this advertisement appears, so we urge any buyer that may be interested in either car to take the matter up with us at once.

East Texas Motor Company CROCKETT, TEXAS

HOGS VS. HEALTH AROUSING TEXANS Keeping of Swine in Cities Is Condemned by Every Expert.

Austin, Texas, March 23.—Texas cities are getting to be armed camps. Two forces are at work. Both of them have the same intention—to aid in winning the war. But they are going at the matter in different ways.

The hog is the center of the battle. "Hogs vs. Health" is the style of the case.

And the people of Texas must decide whether they will have hogs in their cities or health in their cities. They can not have both—and health authorities know it.

It is just a question whether the few hogs that can be profitably raised on city lots will be worth more to the nation than the health of the people in those cities.

Of course, the consensus of opinion—expert opinion—is against the hog; and yet there are cities in Texas which are repealing all their ordinances against the keeping of hogs within the corporate limits and encouraging their people to maintain hogs and hog pens—public nuisances—upon the home lots.

The attorney for the city of Denton has recommended that all laws against the keeping of hogs within that city be repealed. The city fathers promptly repealed those laws.

The attorney of the city of Terrell

announces his intention of enforcing the laws of that city against the keeping of hogs within the city limits to the letter—and he says that, as a war measure, such enforcement is justified.

Practically every city attorney in the State must take sides on this hog question, if he has not already done so.

From Dallas—naturally one of the most insanitary cities of the State—comes the information that the city will encourage the raising of hogs within the city. Citizens of that city who have complained against hogs and hog pens in their immediate neighborhood have been told that they must prove the objectionable things to be nuisances before the city will take action; and that the city sanitary department is encouraging the people to have a hog for every home.

Dallas has evidently forgotten her epidemic of meningitis. She has forgotten her typhoid record. She does not remember the smallpox which was spread over the State from her last State fair. Now Dallas would have a hog in every home—and disease in every family.

It has long been an axiom that Texas people forget quickly—that a man may do anything and still be forgiven. It would appear to be so; for even the hog with its many crimes against the health of the people of Texas cities is now staging the greatest "comeback" of history.

And, if there is anything in the

law of experience, that comeback is to be staged at the expense of the health of the people—the most important war asset that a country can possess.

Every health authority who has ever investigated the influence of the city hog pen on the city health has proved that hogs can not be raised in populated centers without extreme danger of spreading diseases of the worse kind. And the question now is, do the people of Texas prefer disease and the possible profits from the hog pen to no hogs and health?—Upshur Vincent in Houston Post.

IRELAND IS WARNED OF FOOD SHORTAGE

Cardinal Logue Appealed to People to Till All the Land.

Dublin, Feb. 28.—The food shortage in Ireland is the principal subject in all the Lenten pastoral letters of the Irish bishops to their people.

Cardinal Logue writes: "In Ireland we have the remedy for this dearth of food to a great extent under our own control. We know from experience that, by a more extensive and careful tillage, we can not only produce food sufficient to support our own people, but also have a large reserve for export. In the season upon which we have entered effort should be made to cultivate every acre available. It is our only security against

want.

"Even should this destructive war cease a long time must elapse before we can expect any relief from imports. Crops should be sown early, and when the crops are grown they should be used—people should grind enough of their own wheat and oats to supply their families, instead of falling back on the compound known as war bread, which is neither palatable nor wholesome."

The bishop of Derry in his pastoral letter writes: "Ireland has got to face a scarcity of food and perhaps a condition of things little short of famine if the war continues. The department of agriculture tells us that war or no war, submarine or no submarine, whether victory is soon won or much delayed, the world is going to be short of food in 1918 and for some time afterwards. Peace would not remove the difficulty; it might increase it.

"Already there are unmistakable indications of the state of things that is coming. Adequate precaution should be taken against what seems to be an imminent danger."

Why He Changed His Name.

A story is told of an old negro who had accumulated his savings in a bank in one of the southern towns. One day the bank failed.

Zeno was the name of the old man, and when told the bank had failed he spent hours around the door, as if he hoped in that way to get his money. One day the receiver said to him: "Don't you know that the bank has to

be examined before any depositors can get their money? This is not the first bank that has failed?"

"Shore, Ah knows dat," Zeno answered. "Ah's heered tell of banks bustin' before dis, but dis heah am de fust time dat a bank evah busted right squah in mah face."

At last the examinations were over and the receiver announced that the depositors would be paid in alphabetical order. Some mistake had been made in figuring and when they got down to W's the money gave out and Zeno lost his savings.

But he did not lose all his courage. He saved for a few months and had a little to put in another bank. He went to the cashier, who said:

"All right, Zeno; we will be glad to open an account for you."

"Zeno nuthin'," he said. "Mah name ain't Zeno no moh; mah name's Aaron."—Columbus Dispatch.

FOUR BROTHERS IN ARMY AS OFFICERS

Brady, Texas, March 22.—W. W. Sammons of this city has the distinction of having four sons now in the United States army, all of whom are volunteers, and each holds the position of an officer. They are: Carlisle, second lieutenant at Camp Pike, Arkansas; Belmont, first lieutenant on duty in France; Blaine, first lieutenant at Camp Travis, and Cleveland, captain at Camp Bowie.

Feed Your Stock For Weight and Profit!

Real solid weight is what you want your stock to have. It is the solid weight that means profit, and solid weight is only secured when you feed a stock food that is composed of the best of material. Our stock food has a wonderful tonic effect on the stomach, liver, and kidneys, and will tone up your stock in a wonderful way. We guarantee results.

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THE HOUSE OF SERVICE

Local News Items

Miss Georgia Hester of Porter Springs is visiting Mrs. Forrest Fifer in Denver, Colorado.

Automobiles for Sale.

A bran-new Dodge Brothers touring car and a second-hand Dodge Brothers touring car for sale. See John Arrington. 1t.

What have you to sell? See me. I want your butter, eggs, frying size chickens, old roosters, turkeys, geese, bees wax, peanuts, peas. Don't expect me to make the market for the other fellow. Sell them to me where you always get the top price for your produce.
tf. Johnson Arledge.

Ab Beathard for Commissioner.

J. A. (Ab) Beathard announces for county commissioner from precinct No. 4, which embraces the southeastern part of the county. Mr. Beathard is a successful farmer and would no doubt assist in giving Houston county a successful administration. He has spent the most of his life in this county, coming here from Tyler county, where he was born, when only three years of age. Having devoted

his life to farming, he knows the desires and necessities of the farming class, and would serve in the interest of the small taxpayer as well as the large. He has only one ambition in offering for the office and that is to serve the people to the best of his ability.

Roderick Hatchell, a former Crockett boy now living in Dallas, was married Saturday evening at 7:30 o'clock to Miss Cassie Patton at the home of the bridegroom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hatchell, on Grace street. Mr. and Mrs. Hatchell will make their home in Dallas. They have many friends in Crockett and Houston county whose only wish is for their happiness and success. The bride is a daughter of F. M. Patton of the Creath community and a graduate of Sam Houston Normal. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Chas. U. McLarty, the Methodist pastor of this city.

Arrested for Desertion.

Constable C. C. Mortimer of Crockett arrested a young man on a farm east of Crockett last week for desertion. The young man had been in this county, working as a farm hand, since last November. He is an Illinois boy and was charged with

deserting from Camp Logan, Houston. He denied his identity until reaching Camp Logan, whither he was taken by the constable.

Constable Mortimer went to Houston Monday night, where he was summoned to appear as a witness in the court martial trial of the deserter Tuesday. The trial was before Major Chipperfield, who issued the summons.

Worth Your Time.

This is the Courier's illustrated style and Easter edition. It contains much information that is valuable, both in its reading matter and in its advertisements. Do not fail to read the advertisements. These are always worth your time, for no one can be too well posted when it comes to buying. No doubt there are things advertised in this issue that you are wanting and needing, but you did not know where to find them.

Struck by Automobile.

Mr. Horace Hall, while crossing at the northwest corner of the public square Saturday afternoon, was struck by an automobile driven by Jim Jones, a negro living east of Crockett. Mr. Hall was knocked down, but managed to save his life by holding to the front of the car until the car was stopped, which was only after he had been dragged a considerable distance. The negro was arrested for reckless driving, but released pending the action of the grand jury which is now in session. The arrest was made by Deputy Marshal Peyton Tunstall.

For County Commissioner.

Aaron Speer announces for re-election to the office of county commissioner from precinct No. 3. Mr. Speer is one of the county's best citizens and most efficient public officials. He is serving his first term as county commissioner, and his public service is meeting with the approbation of all concerned, whether friend or foe. His precinct lies in the southwestern part of the county, but his interest spreads out all over the county. He never loses sight of the county's best interests, whether or not those interests involve the welfare of his own precinct. He will appreciate your support now as before.

Fertilizers.

No more phosphate is to be had now. We therefore can furnish but little more phosphate or mixed fertilizers. We think we will be able to get more phosphate in about sixty days. We suggest to planters that they use, when planting, straight cotton seed meal, which will push the stalk growth, and after the plant is up run around the same with straight acid phosphate. This might be the best way, any way, if we should have excessive rains a little later. For corn cotton seed meal is good alone.
Houston County Oil Mill & Manufacturing Co. 2t.

Baptist Services.

The pastor has been placed on program of Fifth Sunday meeting for sermon Sunday morning and will ask his friends to attend church at the 11 o'clock hour with the other congregations in Crockett.

He will preach at the night service at 7:45. The Lord willing we promise you a gospel sermon. Pray that He may be with us and make our worship Sunday night an inspiration for service and a refreshing from His spirit that will do us good. That is what this preacher is here for. We have no other aim or desire than to preach you the unmixed gospel of Jesus in the power and demonstration of His spirit. Pray for me that this may be more and more the truth.

The Baptist church will hold a meeting in Crockett with Dr. C. B. Williams as preacher beginning 10th of July. Arrangements are already made, and we ask everybody to cooperate in same to His glory and the common good of all.

L. L. Sams, Pastor.

Springtime Is Kodak Time

No picnic or outing trip is complete without a few pictures for souvenirs. Take one with you next time.

Our stock of kodaks and kodak supplies is complete in every detail—a kodak for every purpose and a film for every kodak.

"If it isn't an Eastman it isn't a kodak." Come in and let us show you our stock.

THE REXALL STORE

BAKER & CASTLEBERG, Proprietors.

Sam Long for Commissioner.

Mr. J. S. (Sam) Long announces for county commissioner from precinct No. 1. Mr. Long has lived in the Augusta country a long time and this is his first time to offer for public office. His friends ran him in an election once and elected him by one vote against his will, but he declined to serve, not having sought the office. That was at Weches, while he was running a gin there, and the office was that of justice of the peace. He is well known to the most of the people in precinct No. 1, which includes his home town, Augusta, where everybody knows him and supports him. The Courier commends his candidacy to the voters of commissioners' precinct No. 1.

E. Winfree for Representative.

Judge E. Winfree announces for representative from Houston county in the state legislature. As is well known, Judge Winfree is now the county judge of this county, a position in which he has served the people untiringly for a number of years. He has been faithful and unflinching in the discharge of his duties, and as a faithful public servant his ambition is now to serve the people in a higher capacity—that of their representative in the law-making body of the state. His qualifications and ability to so serve are beyond question. His record as a Confederate veteran is his pride and the pride of his comrades in the lost cause. His life's record, from before

the civil war and until this day, is an open book whose pages are replete with valiant deeds on the battlefield and faithfulness to duty in times of peace. He will appreciate your support now as in the past.

Sunday School Institute.

Mr. W. E. Hawkins Sr. of Ft. Worth held a Sunday School Institute at the Methodist church in Crockett March 20. The attendance, interest and instruction were very inspiring.

An elegant dinner, enough and to spare, was served by the Crockett ladies on the church lawn. The out of town guests were: Rev. E. A. Sample and J. O. Kelley of Belott; Rev. B. C. Ansley and W. E. Darsey of Grapeland; Miss Sallie Smith, Miss Annie Niissle, S. W. Tigner, Mrs. S. W. Tigner, Gartham Kimble, Miss Minnie Kimble, R. Lee Frazier and Miss Allene Frazier of Groveton; L. S. Alfred, Henry Hodges and George Harrison of Kennard; Miss Leota Duren, Miss Daisy Grounds, Mrs. Lee Weeks and Mrs. Sam Rice of Crockett, Route 6; R. M. Traylor and wife of New Waverly and Rev. D. S. Burke of Willis.

Second Hand Tires for Sale Cheap.

One Goodyear casing, size 30x3½, also 3 Racine tires, same size. All practically new, been run not over 500 miles. Also 2 red inner tubes and 2 grey ones, all 30x3½. All good as new. 1t. H. G. Patton.

Attractive Specials For Saturday Only

Maxwell House Coffee, 3-lb. can for.....	95c
Peanut Oil, in bulk or cans, per gallon.....	\$1.85
Five bottles Garrett's Snuff for.....	\$1.20
Five pounds best Peabody Roasted Coffee for.....	\$1.00
Pure Ribbon Cane Syrup, per gallon.....	90c
Blue Tip Matches are the best—6 boxes for.....	35c
Two cans Prince Albert Tobacco for.....	25c
Oats, per bushel.....	\$1.13
Bran, per sack.....	\$2.75
Best Pea Green Hay, in five bale lots, per bale.....	\$1.35

ARNOLD BROTHERS

AUTO DELIVERY.

PHONE 270.

Do You See Perfectly?

Do you have Headache, Neuralgia, Nervous Dizzy Spells or Insomnia? Are you easily worried?

So many go totally blind before they realize the seriousness of their negligence, we earnestly insist that you come in and have your eyes examined before it is really too late in your case. Don't neglect your eyes and wear your old glasses too long. Remember, Dr. Shelfer comes regularly and fits those others fail to fit.

Every pair guaranteed and kept in shape.

Phone us for appointment, his time is limited.

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CROCKETT, TEXAS.

Dr. Shelfer will be with us again Thursday, April 4th. ONE DAY ONLY.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The Courier is authorized to make the following announcements for office, which announcements are subject to the action of the democratic primary to be held in July:

For Representative
E. WINFREE

For County Judge
NAT PATTON
S. A. DENNY

For District Clerk
V. B. (Barker) TUNSTALL

For Sheriff
P. T. (Preston) LIVELY
E. B. (Bud) HALE
R. J. (Bob) SPENCE

For Tax Assessor
WILL McLEAN
JOHN H. ELLIS

For Tax Collector
C. W. BUTLER Jr.

For County Treasurer
MIKE McCARTY
WILLIE ROBISON
NEY SHERIDAN

For Co. Supt. of Schools
J. N. SNELL

For Road Superintendent
G. R. (Ross) MURCHISON
F. H. BAYNE
WILL CARSON

For Commissioner, Prec. No. 1
J. S. (Sam) LONG

For Commissioner, Prec. No. 3
AARON SPEER

For Commissioner, Prec. No. 4
J. A. (Ab) BEATHARD

For Justice Peace, Prec. No. 1
C. R. STEPHENSON

For Constable, Precinct No. 1
J. H. (Jim) PATTON
C. R. McPHAIL
O. W. ELLISOR

Road Election Carried.

The road bond election at Ratcliff, Tadmor and Druso carried overwhelmingly Saturday. The vote was as follows:

Ratcliff—176 for the bond issue and 17 against it.

Tadmor—13 for the bond issue.

Druso—13 for the bond issue. The two last-named boxes went solidly for the bond issue.

Following closely on the heels of this election, the people of the Ash, Creek and Weldon section are considering the issuance of bonds for road improvement. Our information is that the commissioners' court will be asked to order an election at an early date.

For Tax Assessor.

John H. Ellis announces for re-election as tax assessor. There is nothing the Courier could say in the interest of Mr. Ellis' candidacy that would be new or that the people do not already know. His long service as tax assessor and resultant familiarity with or knowledge of the county's school districts and road districts peculiarly fit and qualify him for this office. He is so familiar with school districts, road districts and other subdivisions and land values generally in Houston county that his counsel is sought on all occasions and his word accepted as authoritative. His knowledge of these things is a valuable aid to him in the proper assessment of taxable land values. He will appreciate your support now as in the past.

For Road Superintendent.

Will Carson announces for the office of road superintendent of Houston county. Mr. Carson lives in the southwestern part of the county, at or near Creek, where he has lived for many years. His part of the county has seldom had a representative in the Crockett court house, a matter worth your consideration when you go to vote. He is in every way qualified to represent not only his part of the county, but the whole of the county if elected road superintendent. His campaign slogan will be "Better

roads for all of the county without favoritism for any section." He is in the race to stay, and he promises if elected an impartial supervision of the county's public roads to the end that the taxpayer may get full value for every dollar paid into the county's road treasury.

With Our Subscribers.

Farmers report the need of rain. Some are beginning to plant cotton. They also report depredations from insects. The weather is fine for farming operations except that it is getting a little too dry. The majority of callers at the Courier office during the last week have been farmers. Subscribers renewing since last issue are as follows:

West LaRue, Lovelady.
A. H. Smith, Nacogdoches.
William Gray, Midway.
A. C. Collins, Crockett.
Ben Jones, Crockett.
H. Schuder, Crockett.
J. S. Long, Augusta.
R. E. Robert, LaTexo.
Mrs. P. R. Denman, Houston.
J. E. Bean, Grapeland Rt. 3.
T. G. Adams, Lovelady Rt. 1.
J. R. Shupak, Lovelady Rt. 2.
A. E. Hester, Crockett Rt. 2.
J. R. Stewart, Crockett Rt. 4.
W. L. Vaughn, Weches.

Grand Jury in Session.

The spring term of the district court for Houston county was convened in regular session Monday morning, Judge John S. Prince of Athens presiding. District Attorney J. J. Bishop of Athens is on hand and at work with the grand jury.

The first work of the district court was to empanel the grand jury, which was done as follows:

W. L. Vaughn, Weches.
William Bumgarner, Ratcliff.
Hayne Mainer, Lovelady.
O. T. Ratcliff, Ratcliff.
J. W. Shipman, Weldon.
J. W. Jones, Grapeland.
T. F. Daly, Grapeland.
Oran Rialls, Grapeland.
Henry Newman, Augusta.
J. S. Shivers, Crockett.
C. W. Kennedy, Grapeland.
L. H. Morrow, Creek.
C. W. Kennedy was appointed foreman of the grand jury.

'Possums and Soldiers.

George Louis Payne, who has been spending a ten days' furlough with relatives and friends in this county, returned to Camp Travis, San Antonio, Saturday night. George is a member of the headquarters company of the 180th Infantry Brigade and is taking a great interest in his work. He never loses an opportunity to say a good thing for Houston county and Houston county men. He says that Houston county is furnishing some of the best soldiers in the army camp and that our people at home should be proud of the boys they are giving to the war. George Louis is disappointed over one thing only, and that thing is that the last contingent from Houston county did not take the 'possum with them as they had originally intended to do. George Louis says that Houston county 'possums are greatly superior to the 'possums of other sections. If there were any doubt as to his loyalty to Houston county and Houston county products, that doubt would now be removed.

Talking of matters of weightier moment, George Louis says that the thing most appreciated by the boys at Camp Travis now is smilage tickets. He says the boys are well cared for in the matter of food and clothing; in fact, that they have more than they can eat and more than they can wear. He says there is an immense theatre provided at the army camp, but that money is required to buy entrance tickets and that the boys have not always the money. Smilage tickets, good for admission to the army theatres, are offered for sale to civilians to be sent to the boys in the army camps. He says our people cannot do a better thing now than to buy these tickets and send them to the boys. These theatres, he says, provide a weekly comedy and vaudeville bill of the light order and are especially arranged to attract and please the boys who might otherwise take things too seriously.

Some Unusual Bargains

NOTE THE FOLLOWING LIST:

NEW 1918 FORD—(Never used. Deluxe four-passenger body—never leak top—Stewart vacuum feed—gas tank in rear. A real car) \$650.00

NEW 1918 FORD TOURING CAR \$540.00

1917 FORD TOURING CAR—(Good shape—worth more money) \$425.00

1916 FORD TOURING CAR—(Mechanically good—top worn) \$325.00

1917 MAXWELL TOURING CAR—(Bumper—new tires—used short while, and a dandy car) \$575.00

1916 MAXWELL TOURING CAR—(Driven 5000 miles only—in fine shape—well cared for. A bargain) \$500.00

1917 DODGE BROTHERS TOURING CAR—(It will sell on sight) \$700.00

1917 CHEVROLET TOURING CAR—(Run about 250 miles—costs \$750 now) \$500.00

1916 CHEVROLET TOURING CAR—(A cheap little car—will run) \$250.00

The above list may change any minute. All cars guaranteed in good running order, and as described, and worth more than we ask. Come in and look them over and you will buy. Will sell on part cash, balance terms, with good notes.

East Texas Motor Company

CROCKETT, TEXAS

HUN OFFENSE IS NOW LOSING MOMENTUM

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munication has been growing longer, the British have constantly moved nearer their base of supplies. It is probable that the line where stern battle will be given is not far away from the present position of the allied armies.

There has been continued activity on the Italian front but no attacks of importance have been made by either side in this theater of the war.

The American lines in the Luneville and Toul sectors have been bombarded once more, but no infantry fighting is reported there.

North of the Somme battlefield there have been no engagements of significance.

The British troops in Palestine have captured the village of Es-Salt in the hills to the east of the Jordan and far in advance of the rest of the line running west to the Mediterranean.

The Russian bolsheviks are reported to have recaptured the city of Kherson from the Germans.

Women Work in Many Ways.

Women are now eligible to practice law in South Carolina. Mare Island navy yard officials now use girls as messengers.

Over seven hundred women motor units are soon to be engaged in Red Cross work.

England has over one million women working in its munition plants.

Burlington, N. J., has a woman supervising principal of its public schools.

Mary Garrett Hay is known as the "big boss" among the suffragists in New York.

Shells, fuses and grenades

manufactured in England are almost entirely made by women. About 75 per cent of the women munition workers in Great Britain are organized.

Women are now allowed to qualify as inspectors of small arms for the United States army.

Stray Horse.

I have taken up a stray horse of the following description: A gray horse, about 16 hands high and 10 years old or older. Owner will please come and get this horse by making proper identification, reimbursements, etc.

4* D. M. Roberts,
7 miles southeast of Crockett.

Patents have been granted for a three-pointed hair pin, protuberances on the center point holding it in place in hair.

Notice in Probate.

THE STATE OF TEXAS.
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Houston County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once a week for a period of ten days before the return day hereof, in a newspaper of general circulation, which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year in said Houston County, a copy of the following notice:

The State of Texas.
To all persons interested in the Estate of Adeline E. Smith, deceased:

H. F. Moore has filed an application in the County Court of Houston County, on the 27th day of March, 1918, to probate the last will and testament of Adeline E. Smith, in accordance with the terms and provisions thereof, which said application will be heard by said Court on the 6th day of May, 1918, at the Court House of said County in Crockett, at which time all persons interested in said estate are required to appear and answer said application, should they desire to do so.

Herein Fail Not, but have you

before said Court, on the first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness my hand and official seal, at Crockett, Texas, this the 27th day of March, 1918.

(seal) A. E. Owens, Clerk,
County Court, Houston County,
Texas.
By W. D. Collins, Deputy. It.

GERMANS CONTINUE RUSSIAN ADVANCE

Objective Now Is Apparently Moscow, the New Capital.

Moscow, Tuesday, March 19.—Notwithstanding that peace with Germany has been ratified by the congress of workmen's and soldiers' delegates, the German advance in Russia still continues, the evacuation of Petrograd having served only to change the German objective to Moscow.

According to reports printed in the newspapers Tuesday morning, the Germans are moving toward Moscow from three directions, southwest, west and northwest. From the southwest, they recently have advanced 25 miles from Konotop, province of Tchernigov, in the general direction of Bryansk, which is 235 miles from Moscow by rail.

From the west the Germans are approaching Smolensk, which is about 250 miles from Moscow. In the northwest they have captured the station of Rosenovkaya, in the government of Vitebsk.

The order to evacuate the hospitals and other institutions in Gzhatsk, 100 miles from Moscow, indicates that a further German advance is considered imminent by the government.

The government of Poltava, Kharkov and Tchernigov have all been declared in a state of siege by the Ukraine government in an effort to save Kharkov and prevent a further advance by the Austrians supporting the Ukraine bourgeoisie rada.

M. Tchitcherin of the bolshevik foreign office, in a statement issued Tuesday says that the soviet government is negotiating informally with Ukraine for peace and that he hopes formal negotiations will open shortly.