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Good Rains in Places.

Portions of this part of the Plains have lately been visited by good rains. A strip between here and Tulia had a heavy rain and the roads have been in pretty bad condition in places. Good showers fell in many places, but a good old slow, gentle general rain is badly needed, one of those old fashioned "sizzle-sozzle" kind that do "lots of good and no harm."

L. W. L., Has Interesting Meeting.

The Liberty War League had its second regular meeting at the Baptist church last Tuesday night through courtesy of the pastor, and services were along the line of the work of the League. Several patriotic addresses were delivered by Pastors Hardesty, Pirtle and Parker and Dr. Breaker. That beautiful song, "Keep the Home Fires Burning," was sung after which a call was made for members and 35 new names were added to the roll. The next regular meeting will be Tuesday night, Aug. 6th.

Political Speaking Last Saturday.

A large crowd was in attendance at the political speaking here last Saturday, the court room being crowded to overflowing. Dr. Anderson of Plainview took the floor first in behalf of Miss Blanton for Superintendent of Public Instruction, and made a very forceable and interesting speech although he said it was the st. political speech he ever made. The next speaker was Jess Adams, the efficient editor of the Plainview News who made a short but able talk for H. A. Halbert, of Colman, for Commissioner of Agriculture. Mr. Halbert is the originator of the Halbert Honey watermelon and many other improved vegetable productions. He is Mr. Adams father-in-law.

Hon. A. B. Martin of Plainview was the next to take the floor and he spoke for an hour in behalf of Governor Hobby and in exposing Ex Governor Ferguson. He is a very able speaker, using convincing arguments and occasional flights of oratory. At many times during his address his voice was drowned by roars of applause.

As it was a growing late when he closed, none of the local candidates took the floor.

Quota Almost Raised.

We have been informed by the County Chairman that Briscoe county lacks only \$1795 of raising her entire quota of War Savings Stamp pledges. Every district in the county raised its quota except Silverton, Lakeview and Rock Creek.

The Bank and several other business houses have a supply of Pledge Cards and anyone who desires may sign one, or raise the amount of their subscription, if already pledged, as it is very desirous that the entire quota yet be raised, and even more if possible.

While it is to be regretted that we are yet delinquent in this matter, and especially that District No. 1.—Silverton—fell so far behind, but we are informed that several other counties around us are much farther behind than this county.

The Chairman requests us to state in this connection that he fully appreciates the pledges received and the co-operation given by our people, in helping to raise the amount which has been pledged.

After State Aid.

Will Donnell was in town a few days ago, taking out a load of lumber and other material to be used in the work being done on the Hay Lake school building. A lot of work is being done on the building and grounds preparatory to securing state aid. This is a very commendable move and we hope they will get all the aid necessary, and have the best school in the history of that community.

We commend the trustees and enterprising citizens of that community for the interest they are taking in community affairs. A community can usually be pretty well judged by the appearance of its school house and grounds.

Three Volunteer in Cavalry.

Bill Smith, Guy Nix and Elbert Dickerson have volunteered for Cavalry service. They will go to Plainview soon, from where they will be sent to Camp Travis for training. Bill goes as a non-commissioned officer. If he is stationed on the border, as he expects, he will move his family there. Guy and Elbert were both in the last draft.

Deserves a Hero Medal.

Mrs. L. A. (Grandma) Reid, one of our lovable pioneer characters was the oldest woman to register in this county, being 86 year old the 4th day of this month. She is a person of great endurance and has bravely overcome some great obstacles. A little over a year ago she fell and broke one of her hips, and her friends were fearful lest she might never recover from it, owing to her age, but she has fooled them all and can now walk without crutches, although she also got one of her arms broken before her hip was entirely well.

In May, 1910, she very heroically rescued her grandson, Percy Reid age 18 months, from drowning. The child had fallen into a tank and was almost lifeless when she found him. Instead of getting wild with excitement and calling for help, she jumped into the tank and rescued him. She has lived in Briscoe county since October, 1890.

A recipe for a wheatless loaf of bread is soon to be made public by the office of Home Economics of the Department of Agriculture. It is the discovery of the experimental kitchen conducted jointly by the Department of Agriculture and the Food Administration. Directions are to be given for the making of three new wheat substitute breads—the half wheat loaf, the one-fourth wheat loaf, and the wheatless loaf. The recipe is expected to save thousands of pounds of wheat flour.

Pioneer Plainsman Here Last Week

Col. Chas. Goodnight was here one day last week in company with Atty. J. L. Lackey, who was making a canvas of the district in his race for Congress. Col. Goodnight is 81 years old and has been in this part of the country 47 years. He has a herd of about 170 head of Buffalo, the largest herd in the United States owned by an individual.

He says these animals when killed for beef will bring about \$300 each at current prices for Buffalo meat, hides, heads, etc. He also has the Persian sheep and was wearing a pair of trousers made wholly of Buffalo and Persian sheep wool, half and half. The Colonel is a very interesting talker and can tell many thrilling tales of adventure on the frontier in the early days. He is quite hale and hearty for a man of his age, and apparently has the promise of many years yet to live.

Loans to Our Allies.

The United States has now loaned to our allies \$6,091,590,000. The advances average about \$400,000,000 a month.

These loans to our allies are analogues to lending weapons to friends who are aiding you in the defense of your own home. The money is being used to defeat our enemy, to maintain armies fighting side by side with our soldiers, and fleets patrolling the same oceans with our sailors.

A. Allison of Vernon was up this week looking after his interests here.

Don't Have to Pay Poll Tax.

A ruling has been received from the Attorney General to the effect that it is not necessary for men living inside of our city limits to hold a poll tax receipt in order to vote in tomorrow's primary.

Women Can Vote Though Not Registered.

The attorned General rules that all women eligible to vote may vote in the primary tomorrow whether they have registered or not, if they live out of cities of 10,000. This is final and need not be doubted says the Plainview News.

Dr. Breaker to go to the Front.

Dr. J. J. Breaker has been accepted for service and expects to leave for training camp in the near future. In an address before L. W. L., Tuesday night he said he expected to soon date his letters home "somewhere in France," and later "somewhere in Germany," and finally "Ferguson," and that he expects to get the Star during all that time and read how Briscoe county has gone "over the top" in all war work.

Some Corrections.

Regarding statements that have been made relative to the candidacy of Sheriff R. F. Stevenson and myself, I wish to say that they are untrue and that there has been nothing mentioned in any way by Mr. Stevenson nor anyone else concerned regarding my announcement for Sheriff and Tax Collector, and will further say that I am sorry that a rumor like this has been circulated over the county.

Remember I want your support and influence on the 27th strictly on my own merits.

Respectfully,
(Political Adv.) E. H. Clary.

Orphan's Home on Plains.

Plans have been consummated whereby the Goodnight College at Goodnight, Texas, becomes an annex to Buckner's Orphans Home.

NOTICE.

Parties owing me will please come in and pay at least half of the amount, for I need the money and need it badly.

Respectfully,
37-2c P. E. C. Cowart

Gets Store Back.

We understand that arrangements have been made whereby Mrs. Biffle gets the stock of Dry Good back, including all which were boxed and shipped away. She expects to continue the business.

W. S. Bell's Position on the Ferguson Question.

Before the campaign opened properly Judge R. W. Hall, Associate Justice of the Court of Civil Appeals at Amarillo, addressed a letter to both Mr. W. S. Bell and R. L. Templeton, asking them to declare their position on the Ferguson question. R. L. Templeton replied by return mail that he would not vote to seat Mr. Ferguson if he lost every vote in the district, but Mr. Bell has not replied to this good day. Reference Judge Hall, Amarillo.

After campaigning the district and ascertaining the sentiment of the people, on June the 26th Mr. Bell addressed a letter to the Hobby Clubs over the district, using this language:

"I first thought that should Mr. Ferguson receive a majority of the votes in the Democratic Primary it would be my duty as a loyal Democrat to support him; but upon more mature deliberation I have reached the conclusion that this is not the proper test."

Notwithstanding Mr. Bell participated in the impeachment proceedings against Mr. Ferguson and heard the trial, and had the letter from Judge Hall, requesting him to declare himself on this issue, it was on June 26th, just one month before the election, that he made his change of faith on the Ferguson Question.

In Mr. Bell's interview of July 15th, just twelve days before the election, he uses this language:

"During the early part of the campaign I was not sure that the impeachment of Mr. Ferguson disqualified him from holding office under the provisions of the Constitution, and I frankly said that if Mr. Ferguson was elected and I should be a member of the senate that I would vote to seat him unless prohibited by the constitution." From W. S. Bell's interview July 15th.

(Political advertisement.)

Highway Garage

Across Street From Lumber Yard

Lubricating oils and greases
Firestone Tires and Tubes
Famous Skinner Compound
Tire Pumps.

Tube Vulcanizing and Auto
Repair work a Specialty

Porter & Haynes

Proprietors

Phone No. 1.

Silverton,

Texas

Farm Supplies

Hardly a day passes while you are at work in the field or some place on the farm, that you do not need some farm tool. We carry practically a complete line of farm tools such as

Files, any size, Hammers, braces and bits, saws hatchets, axes, wrenches, any style, hoes, rakes

we appreciate your every purchase, no matter how small, and you will always find us trying to please our customers

J. A. BAIN

A CROSS, FEVERISH CHILD IS BILIOUS OR CONSTIPATED

LOOK, MOTHER! SEE IF TONGUE IS COATED, BREATH HOT OR STOMACH SOUR.

"CALIFORNIA SYRUP OF FIGS" CAN'T HARM TENDER STOMACH, LIVER, BOWELS.



Every mother realizes, after giving her children "California Syrup of Figs," that this is their ideal laxative, because they love its pleasant taste and it thoroughly cleanses the tender little stomach, liver and bowels without griping.

When cross, irritable, feverish, or breath is bad, stomach sour, look at the tongue. Mother! If coated, give a teaspoonful of this harmless "fruit laxative," and in a few hours all the foul, constipated waste, sour bile and undigested food passes out of the bowels, and you have a well, playful child again. When the little system is full of cold, throat sore, has stomach-ache, diarrhoea, indigestion, colic—remember, a good "inside cleansing" should always be the first treatment given.

Millions of mothers keep "California Syrup of Figs" handy; they know a teaspoonful today saves a sick child tomorrow. Ask your druggist for a bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has directions for babies, children of all ages and grown-ups printed on the bottle. Beware of counterfeits sold here, so don't be fooled. Get the genuine, made by "California Fig Syrup Company."—Adv.

THE AMERICANS AND FRENCH ARE VICTORS

100 SQUARE MILES, THOUSANDS OF PRISONERS, CANNONS AND MACHINE GUNS TAKEN.

TWENTY TOWNS ARE TAKEN

The Americans Alone Take 3,300 Prisoners, and are "Still Going." British Also Gain.

Paris.—The German offensive started last Monday morning on the Champagne, or Marne, salient has been stopped and a brilliant counter-attack by French and American troops on the west side of the salient has gained more ground than the Germans succeeded in taking earlier in the week on the east side. In addition, German gains east of Rheims have been wiped out and practically the old line restored. Prisoners captured by the French and Americans, number several thousand, the Americans alone capturing 3,300 near Soissons, together with 50 cannon and thousands of machine guns. The French have not compiled their list, but state that "several thousand" have been captured. Twenty towns and villages have been taken from the Germans and considerable quantities of supplies captured, along with 20 or more big guns. The allied line had been pushed to within one mile of the ruined city of Soissons at last accounts, at which time the French and Americans were "still going."

The counter-attack of the French and Americans started on a front of 28 miles, reaching from Fontenoy, west of Soissons, to Chateau-Thierry, and the gain was along this front, ranging from two or three miles in the region of Chateau-Thierry, to approximately seven miles in the neighborhood of Soissons. The territorial gain on this front aggregates approximately 85 square miles. Included in the gain is some high ground, from which the Germans in Soissons can be shelled with good effect and this shelling is probably in progress if, indeed, Soissons has not already been taken. The French and Americans are on two sides of the city, west and south.

The Berlin statement ad...

Texas Items

A new electric plant has been installed at Round Rock.

The war gardens planted and cultivated by the children of Texas are numerous.

The food and feedstuff values of Texas this year will reach one and a half billions.

Grover C. Lewis has resigned as auditor in the state department of education at Austin.

The Texas Amusement Managers held their second annual convention at Galveston last week.

Jim Wells County Club girls' encampment will be held at Alice July 17 and 18, inclusive.

Winners in the cotton growing sections of Texas are opening their guns to handle the cotton crop.

Homeseekers' excursions are still coming to the San Juan valley. A large percentage of the excursionists buy land and become permanent residents.

East Texas reports a bumper crop of Elberta peaches. Estimates of the total crop of Texas' Elbertas go as high as two thousand carloads for the state.

The first step toward the establishment of a model dairy farm on a large scale in Harris county was taken this week when the purchase 1536 acres of land near Fauna on the Southern Pacific, for the consideration of \$50,809, was made.

The Katy railroad has decided to abandon its passenger terminals at Houston and use the Union Station with the I. & G. N. and Frisco lines. The Katy has decided also to pull off its only passenger train between Galveston and Houston.

Attorney General Looney has ruled...

Trust Me! Try Dodson's Liver Tone! Calomel Harms Liver and Bowels

Read my guarantee! Liven your liver and bowels and get straightened up without taking sickening calomel. Don't lose a day's work!

There's no reason why a person should take sickening, salivating calomel when a few cents buys a large bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone—a perfect substitute for calomel.

It is a pleasant, vegetable liquid which will start your liver just as surely as calomel, but it doesn't make you sick and can not sallowate.

Children and grown folks can take Dodson's Liver Tone, because it is perfectly harmless.

Calomel is a dangerous drug. It is

mercury and attacks your bones. Take a dose of nasty calomel today and you will feel weak, sick and nauseated tomorrow. Don't lose a day's work. Take a spoonful of Dodson's Liver Tone instead and you will wake up feeling great. No more biliousness, constipation, sluggishness, headache, coated tongue or sour stomach. Your druggist says if you don't find Dodson's Liver Tone acts better than horrible calomel your money is waiting for you.—Adv.

Many a man who would steer clear of a graveyard after dark is not afraid of a park full of spirits.

One thing that has saved many a man from hanging—the fact that the jury did.



Meat Must Be Sold

Fresh meat is perishable. It must be sold within about two weeks for whatever it will bring.

A certain amount of beef is frozen for foreign shipment, but domestic markets demand fresh, chilled, unfrozen beef.

Swift & Company cannot increase prices by withholding meat, because it will not keep fresh and salable for more than a few days after it reaches the market.

Swift & Company cannot tell at the time of purchasing cattle, what price fresh meat will bring when put on sale. If between purchase and sale, market conditions change, the price of meat must also change.

The Food Administration limits our profit to 9 per cent on capital invested in the meat departments. This is about 2 cents per dollar of sales. No profit is guaranteed, and the risk of loss is not eliminated.

As a matter of fact, meat is often sold at a loss because of the need of selling it before it spoils.

Swift & Company, U.S.A.

GIRLS! USE LEMONS FOR SUNBURN, TAN

Try It! Make this lemon lotion to whiten your tanned or freckled skin.

Squeeze the juice of two lemons into a bottle containing three ounces of Orchard White, shake well, and you have a quarter pint of the best freckle, sunburn and tan lotion, and complexion whitener, at very, very small cost.

Your grocer has the lemons and any drug store or toilet counter will supply three ounces of Orchard White for a few cents. Massage this sweetly fragrant lotion into the face, neck, arms and hands and see how quickly the freckles, sunburn, windburn and tan disappear and how clear, soft and white the skin becomes. Yes! It is harmless.—Adv.

An automobile alarm whistle to be connected to the cylinders of a car, can be made to utilize the full force of their explosions when desired.

For genuine comfort and lasting pleasure use Red Cross Ball Blue on wash day. All good grocers. Adv.

The eyes of a South American fish are divided into two parts, the upper being adapted for vision in the air, the lower for use under the water.

Many people imagine that Worms or Tape-worm cannot be gotten rid of entirely. Those who have used "Dead Shot"—Dr. Feery's Vermifuge, know that they can. Adv.

Danger to Ojibway Finger. An Ojibway Indian would not point his finger at the moon, as fair Luna would consider it a great insult and instantly bite off the offending member.

Grove's Tasteless Chilli Tonic destroys the malarial germs which are transmitted to the blood by the Malaria Mosquito. Price 50c.

Broken promises make a mighty poor foundation for a good character.

Money still talks, but its voice is getting weaker and weaker.

Myrt—I care so much for you, I seem old-fashioned to a man coming to see you and going home at ten o'clock.

Gert—Well, he may seem like an old model, but you got to give him credit for having a self-starter.

Drilling operations at the Spindle Top field at Beaumont have reached an interesting stage. Three deep wells are being drilled with a view of testing that famous oil field thoroughly for deep sand. Each well will be drilled to a depth of 4000 feet or more.

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WINTERSMITH'S CHILL TONIC
SOLD FOR 50 YEARS.
FOR MALARIA, CHILLS and FEVER. ALSO A FINE GENERAL STRENGTHENING TONIC. Sold by all Drug Stores.

These Hot Days

Make you fully appreciate the splendid service you get at our fountain. Cold drinks and Ice Cream of the purest and best.

Buy Your Drugs

And Drug Sundries from us, also Rubber goods, Toilet Articles, Perfumes, Stationery, Etc.

See us for Kodaks and Kodak Supplies

Peoples' Pharmacy

SILVERTON,

TEXAS

Warning!

Our Government instructs us to urge you to buy your fuel for next winter now. You have

every reason from the standpoint of self protection to heed this warning.

June prices are lower than they will be later. Prices will advance every month throughout the summer. Transportation service from point of production to us, and the road from us to you is fairly good now, but will become increasingly difficult as the season progresses.

The supply for private consumption is ample now, because of favorable weather conditions. It will not be ample this fall.

Buy 50 per cent of your supply of coal genuine, made by "Calico" season you will be cut short that

suffering of your loved ones next winter buy your fuel now!

We also buy and sell all kinds grain. A share of your trade is solicited. Phone No. 60.

LOCKNEY COAL & GRAIN CO

Lockney, Texas

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Six Months .75
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[Invariably cash in advance.]

Tomorrow will settle it. There is no use arguing to the extent of getting all riled up about whether this or that candidate will get the most votes. Wait till tomorrow night!

A sad scene was enacted on the street Monday as the seven boys were about to leave for training camp. Mother's and sister's and wife's hearts are torn with grief when they are called upon to see their sons and brothers and husbands start to take their stand in the trenches against the foe, but may they be comforted with the hope of a happy home-coming after while.

Mrs. Maude Colquit returned to her home at Fort Worth this week.

Card of Thanks.

To the many friends who were so kind to us in our hour of bereavement, we are taking this opportunity to tender you, one and all, our most sincere thanks for your sympathy and assistance. May God Bless and reward you.

Mrs. Fred Biffle
and children.

Patriotism Without Hesitation.

If our soldier boys deliberated as long over doing their duty as some of our people at home hesitate over doing theirs, the victory would be doubtful.

It is a sort of financial cowardice to hesitate to put your money in United States Government securities, and to deliberate over the wisdom and patriotism of the investment is to hesitate in supporting our soldier.

The Army Medical Department has developed a mobile X-ray outfit to be carried on the standard Army ambulances to the front-line trench for the benefit of wounded soldiers. It is desired by Army surgeons to lose no time in ascertaining the extent and conditions of wounds. The outfit is made up of the DeLuce gas-electric set, the high tension transformer, and the special type of Coolidge tube.

The Drafting of Labor.

On August 1st, the supplying of war industries with common labor will be centralized in the United States Employment Service of the Department of Labor, and all independent recruiting of common labor by manufacturers having a payroll of more than 100 men will be diverted to the United States Employment Service. This is in accordance with the decision of the War Labor Policies Board and approved by the President on June 17th.

The above action was found necessary to overcome a perilous shortage of unskilled labor in war industries. This shortage was aggravated by an almost universal practice of labor stealing and poaching.

This drastic change in the Nation's labor program has been found necessary in order to protect the employer and the employed, to conserve the labor supply of the communities and to cut down unnecessary and expensive labor turn-over (which in some cases, is as high as 100 per cent a week), and to increase the production of essentials.

While non-essential industries will be drawn upon to supply the necessary labor for war work, the withdrawal will be conducted on an equitable basis in order to protect the individual employer as much as possible.

It must be understood that farm labor will be protected, for the industrial program distinctly includes special efforts to keep the farmer supplied with labor.

You will note from the above outline that this is probably the most drastic action that the Government has taken since putting the National Army draft into effect. The necessity for this program can be seen when it is realized that in Pittsburgh, for instance, there are advertisements calling for men to go to Detroit; while in Detroit street cars there are posters asking men to go to Pittsburgh. The same condition is apparent all over the United States and in the consequent shifting of labor a great part of our war effort is dissipated.



If you are in "Class 1," or are thinking of volunteering in the service, be sure to have your photograph made to leave with father and mother, brothers, sisters and sweetheart.

Your portrait as you are today will please them all.

COCHRANE'S
GROUND FLOOR
STUDIO

Plainview, :: :: Texas

We are Always

Ready with the Groceries
The service and the price.

It is a pleasure to have you call on us for what you need and we strive to show our pleasure through perfected service.

Help win the war

by taking advantage of our money saving prices. One Order will prove our claims.

G. S. Morris & Co.

Automobile

Repairing. Oils and Gas

Battery Filling Station for
renewal of Storage Batteries

We Guarantee Our Work

Silvertown Garage

SAM. P. CARR,
Proprietor

Headquarters for Buick Agency.

See Here

Farm Loans

Vendors Lien Notes bought, rate, 8 per cent annually

For quick service see

Geo. T. Meriwether

LOCKNEY

TEXAS

We welcome You

Silvertown neighbors. We make a speciality of pleasing you. Our prices are in line on hides and all of your produce. If you

don't trade with us while down here you will make a bad deal.

We are receiving the

Best Colorado Coal

Weekly, and urge you to buy your supply now

Farmer's Exchange

Lockney,

Texas

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Descriptive
of Scot-
Men.

a certain hill
ring line in an
panorama. Beside
icer of the Second Ca-
n, who had just come
There that night, by its white
all of iridescent light, we could trace
ne course of the firing line for many
miles through France and Flanders.
Just to our left the line of light
jutted far out, like a lone cape into
the sea. "What is that jutting-out
place?" my friend inquired.

"That," I answered, "is the Ypres
salient, the Bloody Angle of the Brit-
ish line."

To mention the name of Ypres is
to have one's memory awakened with
a veritable kaleidoscope of pictures.
That trail of light that jutted into
the night looked like a cape, and an
iron cape it has been through months
and years of war. But the holding of
that cape has been at an awful cost.
And there was not an inch along that
jutting line of light that had not
lost its trailing line of blood.

Just after the first gas attack in
April, 1915, the whole countryside was
in a panic. The roads were filled with
civilians in alarm, fleeing down coun-
try, and with limbers and marching
troops hastening up. I was passing
through the town of Vlamertinghe,
which is situated two miles beyond
Ypres. In a field at the side of the
road I saw a funeral party. It con-
sisted of several pioneers, serving as
grave diggers, a gray-headed Scottish
major, and a corporal's guard to act
as firing party.

I learned that this inconspicuous
group were burying the last original
officer of a battalion of the Cameron
Highlanders. The dead officer was a
young subaltern, and the gray-haired
old major was his father, who had
come from another regiment to attend
the funeral of his son.

So, over in a great deep trench,
where a number of the rank and file of
the fallen Camerons were already laid,
the body of their dead subaltern was
placed. As I saw the officer and his
men of the bonnie Highland regiment
thus laid to rest together, I thought
of the requiem of Saul and Jonathan;
"They were beautiful in their lives,
and in their deaths they were not di-
vided."—Capt. Arthur Hunt Chute, in
the North American Review.

Repair Ship Mysterious.

The manufacture of a large part of
is almost impossible. In the
space of the battleship's machine
shops. But wondrous feats are per-
formed in the repair ships that ac-
company fleets on stations remote
from dock facilities, states a British
war correspondent.

The repair ship is a huge floating
smithy and machine shop packed with
everything that the wit of man can
concentrate into the space for treat-
ing wounded battleships. These ships
employ some of the best artificers
from our naval dockyards and are
scattered in every quarter in which
the British fleet is stationed remote
from dock facilities. The Boche has
nothing like them and it has been
stated that no inquisitive Boche has
ever been allowed to intrude his nose
aboard one to investigate its mysteries
and take the information to his em-
ployers of how the strange feats per-
formed by the repair ship are effected.
The repair ship is the abode of secrets.

Journalistic Dilettante.

"What's the matter with the city
editor? Two members of the staff are
holding him and he looks as if he were
about to have a fit."

"It's the fault of that wealthy 'cub'
reporter hired last week. The c. e.
told him to cover a Red Cross meeting
this afternoon and he said it would
interfere with his game of golf."—
Birmingham Age-Herald.

Rides Well at Ninety-five.

Jockeys, no matter what their age,
are generally referred to by those not
closely in touch with racing as "the
boy on So-and-So," but a stable "lad"
still going well at ninety-five is cer-
tainly hard to beat. There is one, as
shown by the following clipping from
the London Sportsman of recent date:
"One of the brightest and most alert
of the 'lads' riding horses around the
paddock at Windsor prior to their
races was old Faulkner, the grandfa-
ther of the steeplechase jockey of that
name. He is ninety-five years old. His
memory is of the best and so is his
hearing. He has been connected with
horses all his life and many a tale of
the turf he can tell."

Puzzling the Kaiser.

"Dere's one t'ing puzzles me," said
the kaiser.

"Vot's dot, eggshellery?" asked an
underling.

"Mid dose Yanks shending all dere
time making money und inventioning
fine machines for us to swipe venever
did dey learn how to fight de way dey
do?"

Are the Packers Profiteers?

Plain Facts About the Meat Business

The Federal Trade Commission in its recent report on war profits, stated that the five large meat packers have been profiteering and that they have a monopoly of the market.

These conclusions, if fair and just, are matters of serious concern not only to those engaged in the meat packing business but to every other citizen of our country.

The figures given on profits are misleading and the statement that the packers have a monopoly is unsupported by the facts.

The packers mentioned in the report stand ready to prove their profits reasonable and necessary.

The meat business is one of the largest American industries. Any citizen who would familiarize himself with its details must be prepared for large totals.

The report states that the aggregate profits of four large packers were \$140,000,000 for the three war years.

This sum is compared with \$19,000,000 as the average annual profit for the three years before the war, making it appear that the war profit was \$121,000,000 greater than the pre-war profit.

This compares a three-year profit with a one-year profit—a manifestly unfair method of comparison. It is not only misleading, but the Federal Trade Commission apparently has made a mistake in the figures themselves.

The aggregate three-year profits of \$140,000,000 was earned on sales of over four and a half billion dollars. It is a mere fraction of a cent per pound of product.

Packers' profits are a negligible factor in prices of live stock and meats. No other large business is conducted upon such small margins of profit.

Furthermore—and this is very important—only a small portion of this profit has been paid in dividends. The balance has been put back into the businesses. It had to be, as you realize when you consider the problems the packers have had to solve—and solve quickly—during these war years.

To conduct this business in war times, with higher costs and the necessity of paying two or three times the former prices for live stock, has required the use of two or three times the ordinary amount of working capital. The addi-

tional profit makes only a fair return on this, and as has been stated, the larger portion of the profits earned has been used to finance huge stocks of goods and to provide additions and improvements made necessary by the enormous demands of our army and navy and the allies.

If you are a business man you will appreciate the significance of these facts. If you are unacquainted with business, talk this matter over with some business acquaintance—with your banker, say—and ask him to compare profits of the packing industry with those of any other large industry at the present time.

No evidence is offered by the Federal Trade Commission in support of the statement that the large packers have a monopoly. The Commission's own report shows the large number and importance of other packers.

The packers mentioned in the statement stand ready to prove to any fair-minded person that they are in keen competition with each other, and that they have no power to manipulate prices.

If this were not true they would not dare to make this positive statement.

Furthermore, government figures show that the five large packers mentioned in the report account for only about one-third of the meat business of the country.

They wish it were possible to interest you in the details of their business. Of how, for instance, they can sell dressed beef for less than the cost of the live animal, owing to utilization of by-products, and of the wonderful story of the methods of distribution throughout this broad land, as well as in other countries.

The five packers mentioned feel justified in co-operating with each other to the extent of together presenting this public statement.

They have been able to do a big job for your government in its time of need; they have met all war time demands promptly and completely and they are willing to trust their case to the fair-mindedness of the American people with the facts before them.

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Special Tax for Maintenance of Public Schools and Furnishing Free Text Books.

House Joint Resolution No. 27. Proposing an amendment to Art. 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas by changing Sec. three, providing for a thirty-five cent tax levy for the maintenance of the public schools of Texas, and providing free text books in public schools of the State of Texas, and making an appropriation therefor.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Section 3, Article 7, of the Constitution, be so changed as to read as follows (creating a new section 3):

Sec. 3. One-fourth of the revenue derived from the State occupation taxes and a poll tax of one (\$1.00) dollar on every male inhabitant of this State, between the ages of twenty-one and sixty years, shall be set apart annually for the benefit of the public free schools; and, in addition thereto, there shall be levied and collected an annual ad valorem State tax of such an amount not to exceed thirty-five cents on the one hundred (\$100.00) dollar valuation, as, with the available school fund arising from all other sources will be sufficient to maintain and support the public schools of this State for a period of not less than six months in each year, and it shall be the duty of the State Board of Education to set aside a sufficient amount out of the said tax to provide free text books for the use of children attending the public free schools of

this State; provided, however, that should the limit of taxation herein named be insufficient, the deficit may be met by appropriation from the general funds of the State, and the Legislature may also provide for the formation of school districts by general or special law without the local notice required in other cases of special legislation; and all such school districts, whether created by general or special law, may embrace parts of two or more counties. And the Legislature shall be authorized to pass laws for the assessment and collection of taxes in all said districts, and for the management and control of the public school or schools of such district, whether such districts are composed of territory wholly within a county or in parts of two or more counties. And the legislature may authorize an additional ad valorem tax to be levied and collected within all school districts heretofore formed or hereafter formed, for the further maintenance of public free schools, and the erection and equipment of school buildings therein; provided, that a majority of the qualified property tax paying voters of the district, voting at an election to be held for that purpose, shall vote such tax, not to exceed by one year fifty cents on the one hundred dollar valuation of the property subject to taxation in such district, but the limitation upon the amount of school district tax herein authorized shall not apply to incorporated cities or towns constituting separate and

independent school districts

Sec 2. The foregoing constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of the State at an election to be held throughout the State on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1918, at which election all voters favoring said proposed amendment shall write or have printed on their ballots the words, "For the amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas providing for the levy of a special school tax for the maintenance of the public schools of the State and to provide free text books in the public schools of the State of Texas," and all those opposed shall write or have printed on their ballots the words, "Against the amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas providing for the levy of a special school tax for the maintenance of the public schools of the State, and to provide free text books in the public schools of the State of Texas."

Sec 3. The Governor of the State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for said election and to have same published as required by the Constitution and existing laws of the State.

Sec. 4. That the sum of two thousand (\$2000.00) dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the Treasury of the State of Texas not otherwise appropriated, to pay the expenses of such publication and election.

(Note.—H. J. R. No. 27 passed the House of Representatives by a two thirds vote, yeas 108, nays 22; and passed the Senate by a two-thirds vote, yeas, 23, nays 4.)

Approved March 19, 1917.

(A TRUE COPY.)

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Acting Secretary of State.

Additional Chaplains Needed for Army and Navy.

B. D. Gray.

In view of the new law passed by Congress, there is need of additional chaplains in the army and navy. Southern Baptists are asked to supply immediately the apportionment assigned to them.

Some Qualifications for Army and Navy Chaplains.

1. Deep spirituality.
2. Experience in Christian work. Ordination to the gospel ministry, between 21 and 45 years of age.
3. Good education. College and theological seminary training very desirable.
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5. Love for young men and successful experience in working with them with tact and enthusiasm for their spiritual welfare.

Suggestions for Southern Baptist Applicants for Army and Navy Chaplains.

1. Write for information and application blank to B. D. Gray, Atlanta, Ga.
2. When received, fill out application blank correctly.
3. Secure at least five written endorsements.
4. Prepare a brief pen-written life sketch.
5. Get your recent photograph.
6. Forward all promptly to B. D. Gray, chairman of Chaplaincy Commission for Southern Baptists, 1004 Healey Building, Atlanta, Ga.

We need immediately at least fifty capable men for army and navy chaplains from Southern Baptists.

The very best talent we have is needed: consecration, good training, educational equipment, vigor of body, patriotism and love for men are essential. Appeal to our brethren who can meet these demands to come immediately to call of our country.—Baptist Standard, June 27, by request.

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