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STANTON GETS GOOD RAIN

A rain which will be of inestimable value fell in this section Tuesday night. The precipitation covered a large area of the South Plains, varying in quantity in different places. It is estimated that the rainfall in Stanton was something over an inch, while in some places nearby it was more and some less. At Big Springs the fall measured .85 inch.

Good rains are reported to have fallen from Monahans to Colorado east and west and from Plainview to Garden City north and south. We have no reports from south of the latter place.

This is the first rain here since early last fall, and the situation was becoming critical in the extreme. Not only was feed selling at a very high price, but was becoming scarce at any price.

Ruth Madge Montgomery.

On Wednesday, April 11th, 5:20 a. m. at Snyder, Texas, death claimed little Ruth Madge Montgomery, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Montgomery of Lovington, N. M.

Deceased was age 6 years and 6 months. The little one contracted infantile paralysis several years ago, and had never recovered from same. Everything possible in the way of medical skill was done for her. And at the time of her death she was under treatment of a physician at Snyder and was improving rapidly. A grave was made to save her life but to no avail.

The remains, accompanied by the father, mother and grandmother arrived in Stanton yesterday. Services will be conducted from the First Christian Church this afternoon at 3:30 p. m. by Rev. E. J. Bradley of Big Springs. Entombment in Evergreen cemetery.

The sympathy of our people is extended to the bereaved parents and other relatives in the loss of their loved one.

Hon. J. G. Camp of Atlanta, Ga., will deliver a lecture at the Baptist church next Monday night in the interest of prohibition. Mr. Camp comes highly recommended and his talk will likely be of deep interest to his hearers. There will be no charge for admission. Hear him.



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ENAMEL WARE THIS WEEK

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Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Moran and family of Midland visited friends here Sunday.

A good milk cow for sale. G. A. Merrick & Son.

Home-Makers' Club

The Home-Makers' Club met Saturday with Mrs. George Hutchins as hostess. Ten members responded. Roll call with Mesdames Knebel and Schell as visitors. There was a continuation of the study "Evangelism" proved both interesting and instructive.

After a discussion of matters of vital importance to the club, the hostess served delicious refreshments of hot and cold cake and the club adjourned to meet April 21st with Mrs. E. R. Wolcott as hostess. Reporter.

Pogram Home Makers Club

April 11th
Subject—Yellow's "Evangelism"
Roll call—Members from Longfellow.

1. History of the Home Makers Club
2. The Story of Evangeline
3. The Story of the death of Bessie Parr
4. Description of the Village of Grand Rapids

The club met with Mrs. E. R. Wolcott as hostess and all members requested to be present. Reporter.

R. L. H. who has been down some with the rheumatism, is now taking treatment and is a well man.

We erred in stating the M. W. A. would have their free show at the Happy Hour Monday the 19th. They will have it on the 19th all right, but that date happens to fall on Thursday of next week. The error was caused by time passing so swiftly that we cannot keep the leaves torn from the calendar.

I want all your eggs and will pay the highest market price in cash. Emmett Sale.

INCREASE IN FOOD CROP A NECESSITY

War means higher prices for food unless more is raised. Wheat is above \$1.00 per bushel, corn \$1.60, bacon 30c a pound, and the tendency is still upward. The United States will soon have a million men under arms. That means more men taken out of production. Many people in Texas may go hungry before another winter ends unless extraordinary efforts are put forth. The fate of the nation—the issue of the war—depends upon the food supply even more than upon the supply of men, arms and ammunition.

Therefore, increased food and feed is a matter of self-interest and national welfare.

It is not too late to plant. Peanuts, kaffir corn, milo maize, sorghum, June corn, Sudan grass, peas and all staple vegetables are in order through April, May and June.

It is folly to argue that our entrance into the European war will end it speedily. It may last a year or two years. The South fought for four years. The Central powers are somewhat crippled, but they are by no means exhausted. The submarine warfare continues without abatement. By fall there may be no ships for anything but food and feed stuffs. In that case our cotton will bring little or nothing. Even at good price it will not go far in buying food and

The United States Department of Agriculture reports that supplies of all things to eat throughout the world are short and growing shorter. Argentine wheat is a failure and none will be shipped from that country. The world's herds of cattle, sheep, hogs and poultry are being consumed faster than the natural increase. These facts constitute an alarming situation which will grow worse as the war continues, and will continue for a considerable time after the war closes.

Famine is worse than war. Every back yard and every vacant patch should yield something for man or beast.—Clarence Ousley, Director of Extension A. & M. College.

Baptist Church

Sunday School at 10:00 and preaching at 11:00 and 8:15.

Our membership is especially urged to be present at each of these services. Every body is given a hearty welcome.

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A. J. WAGNER, Editor and Mgr.

Entered as second class mail matter March 24, 1906, at the post office at Stanton, Texas, under the act of congress of March 3, 1879.

Bones—"Say, Mr. Johnsing?"
 Interlocutor—"Well, Bones, what is it?"
 "Now that Cuba is in the war, will she Havana to back-er?"
 The remains are being held, awaiting advice from relatives.

We are no extremist; we are bubbling over with a sudden burst of patriotism because those in power have called the nation to the defense of the colors. But as the die is cast we should show our loyalty. Members of societies take a pride in wearing the emblems of the orders to which they belong. Martin county is a member of the Union of States and should take a pride in wearing the emblem of the order. Is there a taxpayer in the county that would object to the commissioners court taking of the funds of the county a sufficient amount to have the emblem that was given us by the blood of the patriots hoisted on our court house? If such there be and he bears the insignia of a secret order, he should blush with shame every time he looks upon the emblem of the order. He places an organization that possibly denies his wife and daughters membership above the country designed to give them protection and freedom in all things righteous.

CHAUTAQUA
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Chautauqua "the Most American Thing in America."

Dr. George W. Truett says, "I believe thoroughly in the proposed cooperative Chautauqua movement, both for its educational and inspirational features."

Elbert Hubbard said, "Had my foresight in 1880 been equal to my hindsight in 1909 I would have dedicated my life to the Chautauqua idea."

Thomas Edison graduated in the literary work of the Home Chautauqua and kept on reading until his diploma is well nigh covered with seals.

William Howard Taft last year gave a large part of his vacation to the Chautauqua platform, to his own personal delight and to the betterment of his audiences.

William Jennings Bryan in one Texas town drew enough receipts at the gate to pay the whole expense of the Chautauqua.

Theodore Roosevelt said, "The Chautauqua is the most American thing in America."

President Wilson, Vice President Marshall, Champ Clark, Opie Read, Henry var Dyke, Senator La Follette, "Billy" Sunday and many others who may be properly listed as "Great Americans" have graced the Chautauqua platform and given the movement their unqualified support.

NOTICE

All parties owing the firm of G. A. Merrick & Son will please pay the same to us or S. W. Pratt, who is authorized to collect the same. An early settlement would be appreciated.
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At the free show to be given by the M. W. A. next Thursday night at the Happy Hour four full meals will be exhibited, and the program will be equal to any of the lights ever shown in Stanton. A most cordial invitation is extended the public to attend.

KENNARD BARRADELL.



Mr. Barradell, tenor and director of the Hinshaw Conservatory Party, has had wide experience in operatic work as a singer, stage manager and musical coach. He has sung with the Aborn Opera Company, the Hinshaw Opera Company and the College Theater Opera Company in Chicago. In addition to the operatic work Mr. Barradell specializes in a style of song rather different and amusing in the contents.
 Stanton, Texas April 26, 27, 28.

J. M. Hood circulated a subscription list Monday soliciting funds to buy flags for the court house. \$7.65 was raised, which was turned over to J. L. Hall, ordered the flags and will have them in position at the earliest.

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TEXAS TALES
TOLD BY TYPE

HAPPENINGS OF THE PAST FEW DAYS
 CONDENSEDLY STATED.

ALL PARTS OF STATE COVERED

Number of Events Made Mention of in Few Words and So Presented as to Be a Summary of What Has Occurred in the Recent Past.

Mexia Daily Press has appeared Snyder is to have a home-guard company.

T. U. Cole has been re-elected mayor of Sherman.

Many cavalry horses are being sold at Fort Worth.

It is estimated there are 600,123 men of military age in Texas.

As a matter of precaution the Cleburne water plant is under guard.

Mayor M. G. Main of Bay City was shot to death. C. Arnold was arrested.

A Texas university ex-students' association of Baylor county was formed at Seymour.

Congressman Jeff McLemore was the only Texan voting against the war resolution.

P. C. Thede Lumber company, with capital stock of \$10,000, is a new corporation at El Paso.

Gulf Fish Oil and Fertilizer company of Galveston, capital stock \$50,000, has been chartered.

Capital stock of the Gulf Steamship company of Galveston has been increased from \$20,000 to \$90,000 that caused his death in three days.

Various delegates of the University Interscholastic league for Greenville district will be held April 14 and 15.

Gus Sims pleaded guilty at Dallas to a charge of arson and his punishment placed at five years in the penitentiary.

The Austin County Farmers' Union Ware and Cleaning House association of New Ulm filed its certificate of dissolution.

Juan Marta and Rocio Bonado were convicted Austin for the murder of Eugenemith and sentenced to hang May 23.

Thomas J. Wilson, aged eighty-three years, resident of Corsicana for fifty-six years, is dead. A son and two daughters survive.

The annual convention of the Texas Glinners' association will be held at Dallas May 24. An attendance of 2,500 is expected.

As a precautionary measure state rangers were at the governor's mansion. Mional guards were also put around the capitol.

A. J. Butler, thirty-nine years old, a prominent Worth business man and president of the Texas Manufacturing company is dead.

Hayden Bess, nephew of State Treasurer Edwards, has enlisted in the army aviation corps at Fort Sam Houston in Antonio.

Over 6000 of cotton and 3,000 tons of coal burned in the plant of the Vesperton Oil company. Estimated \$200,000.

After ten years' service Dr. William Battle leaves the University of Texas to accept the professorship in the University of Cincinnati.

Rural carriers out of Paris report that is much patriotism being shown by country people, flags being used in evidence on numerous residences.

While houses were burning at Dallas, T. Anderson, aged fourteen years, broke front door of one of them and Mrs. Sams, aged eighty years.

While Chamber of Commerce will endeavor to secure the northwest Texas in sum for that city, for which the state has appropriated \$400,000.

In an accident in Williamson county near Jonah G. F. Rice and H. B. Waco traveling men, were hurt and their car demolished.

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The attention of the district court has been occupied this week in the hearing of a jury trial to determine whether the surveyor in establishing a certain boundary line was guided by the pole star or Sirius. The jury decided in favor of the plaintiff. The court adjourned today for the term. The grand jury adjourned sine die without returning a bill. D. M. Witt, Paul Konz and Jno. Atchison were appointed jury commissioners and have already performed the function of their office.

STATEMENT

Of the ownership, management, etc., of the Stanton Reporter published weekly at Stanton, Texas, required by the Act of August 24, 1912. Name and Post-Office address. Editor, Managing Editor, Business Manager and Publisher, A. J. Wagner, Stanton, Texas. Owner: W. T. Moore, Lometa, Texas. Known bondholders, mortgagees and other security holders, holding 1 per cent or more of total amount of bonds, mortgages, or other securities: None. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 2nd day of April, 1917.
 S. W. Pratt, Notary Public, Martin County, Texas.

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WILSON SIGNS PROCLAMATION

FOR THE GUIDANCE OF ALIEN ENEMIES DURING WAR.

STATUS OF GERMAN SUBJECTS

Those in This Country Who Obey the Regulations Will Not Be Molested, But They Cannot Possess Any Arms.

Washington, April 6.—President Wilson today issued the following proclamation concerning treatment of German subjects resident in the United States:

The war proclamation follows: "Whereas, the Congress of the United States, in the exercise of the constitutional authority vested in them, have resolved by joint resolution of the Senate and House, bearing date of this day, that a state of war between the United States and the Imperial German Government, which has been thrust upon the United States, is hereby formally declared:

"Whereas, it is provided by Section 4,067 of the Revised Statutes as follows:

"1. Any alien enemy who shall be between the United States and any foreign Nation or Government or any invasion or predatory incursion is perpetrated, attempted or threatened against the territory of the United States by any foreign Nation or Government and the President makes public proclamation of the event, all natives, citizens, denizens or subjects of a hostile Nation or Government, being male, of the age of 14 years and upward, who shall be within the United States and not actually naturalized, shall be liable to be apprehended, restrained, secured and removed as alien enemies.

"The President is authorized in any such event by his proclamation thereof, or other public acts, to direct the conduct to be observed on the part of the United States toward the aliens who become so liable; the manner and degree of the restraints to which they shall be subject and in what cases and upon what security their residence shall be permitted and to provide for the removal of those who, not being permitted to reside within the United States, refuse or neglect to depart therefrom, and to establish any such regulations which are found necessary in the premises and for the public safety:

"Whereas, by Sections 4,068, 4,069 and 4,070 of the Revised Statutes further provision is established with relation to enemies:

"Whereas, I, Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim to all whom it may concern that a state of war exists between the United States and the Imperial German Government, and I do specially direct all officers, civil or military, of the United States that they exercise vigilance and zeal in the discharge of the duties incident to such a state of war, and I do, moreover, earnestly appeal to all American citizens that they, in loyal devotion to their country, dedicated from its foundation to the principles of liberty and justice, uphold the laws of the land and give undivided and willing support to those measures which may be adopted by the constitutional authorities in prosecuting the war to a successful issue and in obtaining a secure and just peace; "And, acting under and by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution of the United States and the said sections of the Revised Statutes,

Conduct of Germans.

"I do hereby further proclaim and direct that the conduct to be observed on the part of the United States toward all natives, citizens, denizens or subjects of Germany, being male, of the age of 14 years and upward, who shall be within the United States and not actually naturalized, who for the purpose of this proclamation and under such sections of the Revised Statutes are termed alien enemies, shall be as follows:

"All alien enemies are enjoined to preserve the peace toward the United States and to refrain from crime against the public safety, and from violating the laws of the United States and of the States and Territories thereof and to refrain from actual hostility or giving information, aid or comfort to the enemies of the United States and to comply strictly with the

regulations which are hereby or which may be from time to time promulgated by the President and so long as they shall conduct themselves in accordance with law they shall be undisturbed in the peaceful pursuit of their lives and occupations and be accorded the consideration due to all peaceful and law-abiding persons, except so far as restrictions may be necessary for their own protection and for the safety of the United States; and toward such alien enemies as conduct themselves in accordance with law all citizens of the United States are enjoined to preserve the peace and to treat them with all such friendliness as may be compatible with loyalty and allegiance to the United States.

"And all alien enemies who fail to conduct themselves as so enjoined in addition to all other penalties prescribed by law, shall be liable to restraint or to give security or to remove and depart from the United States in the manner prescribed by Secs. 4,069 and 4,070 of the Revised Statutes and as prescribed in the regulations duly promulgated by the President.

"And, pursuant to the authority vested in me, I hereby declare and establish the following regulations, which I find necessary in the premises and for the purpose of safety:

"1. Any alien enemy shall not have in his possession at any time or place any firearms, weapons or implements of war, or components parts thereof, ammunitions, Maxim or other silencer, arms of explosives or material used in the manufacture of explosives.

"2. An alien enemy shall not have in his possession at any time or place or use or operate any aircraft or wireless apparatus or any form of signaling device or any form of cipher code or any paper, document or book written or printed in cipher or in which there might be invisible writing.

"3. All property found in the possession of an alien enemy in violation of the foregoing relations shall be subject to seizure.

"4. An alien enemy shall not approach or be found within one-half of a mile of any Federal or State fort, camp, arsenal, aircraft station, Government or naval vessel, navy-yard, factory or workshop for the manufacture or maintenance of war or of any products for the use of the army or navy.

No Hostile Acts.

"5. An alien enemy shall not write, print or publish any attack or threat against the Government or Congress of the United States or either branch thereof, or against the measures or policy of the United States or against the persons or property of any person in the military, naval or civil services of the United States or of the States or Territories or the District of Columbia or of the municipal governments therein:

"6. An alien enemy shall not commit or abet any hostile acts against the United States or give information, aid or comfort to its enemies;

"7. An alien enemy shall not reside in or continue to reside in, remain in or enter any locality which the President may, from time to time, designate by executive order as a prohibitive area in which residence by an alien enemy shall be found by him to constitute a danger to the public peace and safety of the United States, except by permit from the President and except under such limitations or restrictions as the President may prescribe;

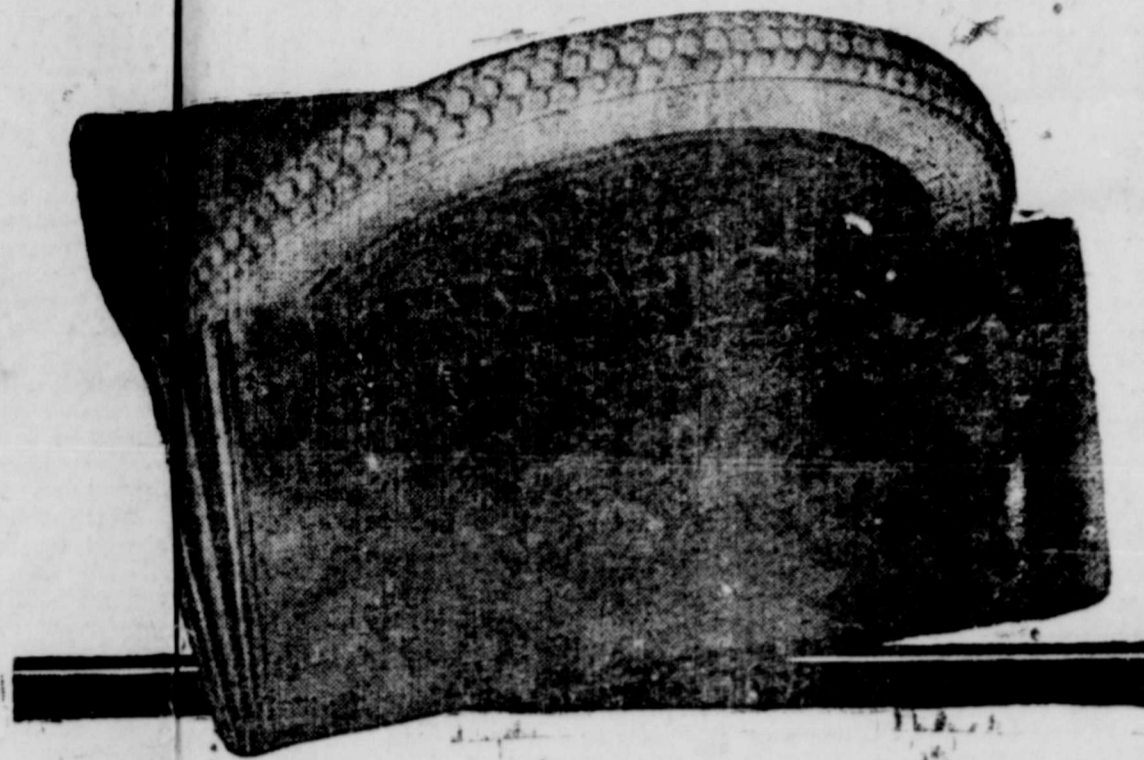
"8. An alien enemy whom the President shall have reasonable cause to believe to be aiding or about to aid the enemy or to be at large to the danger of the public peace or safety of the United States or to have violated or to be about to violate any of the regulations, shall remove to any location designated by the President by executive order and shall not remove therefrom without permit, or shall depart from the United States if so requested by the President;

"9. No alien enemy shall depart from the United States until he shall have received such permit as the President shall prescribe or except under court order, Judge or District, under Secs. 4,069 and 4,070 of the Revised Statutes.

"10. No alien enemy shall land in or enter the United States except under such restrictions and at such places as the President may prescribe;

"11. If necessary to prevent violation of the regulations all alien enemies will be obliged to register;

"12. An alien enemy whom there may be reasonable cause to believe to be aiding or about to aid the enemy, or who be at large to the danger of the public peace or safety or who violates or who attempts to violate or of



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"This proclamation and the regulations herein contained shall extend and apply to all land and water, continental or insular, in any way within the jurisdiction of the United States."

Many Flyers Downed.

Berlin advices are that the entente allies lost forty-four airplanes on the western front. Thirty-three of the British or French machines were destroyed in aerial engagements. Five German airplanes, the statement adds, did not return.

Chautauqua Organization

The backers of the Co-operative Chautauqua, which is to be here April 26, 27 and 28, met Wednesday afternoon and perfected an organization among themselves for the purpose of making the best success possible out of the enterprise.

W. O. Willingham was elected president and J. L. Hall, secretary-treasurer. The president appointed committees as follows: Tickets—F. G. Shell, Mrs. E. R. Wolcott, Dr. R. C. Brown, Grounds and Lights—J. A. Harris, J. M. Blackery, Advertising—A. J. Wagner, F. O. Aiken and Horace Blaylock.

Stanton should be proud of the opportunity of having an entertainment of this class, and every man, woman and child should do all in their power to make the affair a grand success. Get busy co-operate with the committees and let's not let this be a failure.

Splendid span of miles for sale. G. A. Merrick & Son.

E. A. Bedicheck of Ballinger, representative of the Mutual Oil & Gas Co. of Petrolia, visited his cousin, Alvin Merrick, this week.

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AVAILABLE LAND FORCE OF THE UNITED STATES TODAY IS ABOUT 265,000 MEN

Reserve, However, More Vast Than Any White Nation's Except Russia—Can Raise Twenty Million—Industrial Capacity Is Impressive.

A VAILABLE organized land forces of the United States today amount roughly to 265,000 officers and men, made up of 125,000 regulars and 140,000 national guardsmen, including both those still in the federal service and those under state control.

The exact figures are known only to the war department at Washington, but recent reports give a close idea of what the organizations represent in fighting strength.

In his last annual report Secretary of War Baker stated that the actual strength of the regular army on June 30, 1916, including the Philippine scouts, was 107,641 officers and men.

In the year beginning July 1 last, by the national defense act of June 3, 1916, the army was to be increased to 185,897 officers and men, divided as follows:

Infantry, 28 regiments	57,794
Cavalry, 11 regiments	11,351
Field artillery, 9 regiments	7,581
Engineers, 3 regiments and 1 mounted company	2,198
Coast artillery corps	21,443
Staff corps and departments	19,224
Philippine scouts	5,738
Miscellaneous	12,487
Total enlisted strength (including medical department)	125,897

Exceptional difficulties have been found in carrying out this program for increasing the army. On account of the remarkable industrial activity of the country, recruiting is and has been since the increase was authorized at a very low ebb. It is therefore probable that the estimate of 125,000 as the strength of the regular army errs on the side of optimism, and 115,000 may be closer the true figure.

National Guard.

The strength of the national guard in federal service on Sept. 30 last was 155,737 officers and men, divided as follows:

Alabama	4,994
Arizona	508
Arkansas	1,559
California	2,592
Colorado	942
Connecticut	2,821
Delaware	635
District of Columbia	2,125
Florida	1,235
Georgia	2,918
Idaho	1,178
Illinois	8,499
Indiana	2,182
Iowa	4,323
Kansas	2,069
Kentucky	2,819
Louisiana	483
Maine	982
Maryland	2,156
Michigan	4,233
Minnesota	4,019
Mississippi	1,399
Missouri	2,625
Montana	1,049
Nebraska	1,718
New Hampshire	1,413
New Jersey	4,135
New Mexico	907
New York	17,822
North Carolina	1,936
North Dakota	993
Ohio	7,413
Oklahoma	1,285
Oregon	215
Pennsylvania	13,746
Rhode Island	644
South Carolina	2,271
South Dakota	966
Tennessee	2,014
Texas	4,932
Utah	781
Vermont	959
Virginia	2,519
Washington	1,750
West Virginia	1,156
Wisconsin	4,125
Wyoming	495
Total	155,737

To show how the forces of the regular army are dispersed the geographical distribution on June 30, 1916, the last date for which definite figures have been made public, are given here: United States and Mexico, 71,038; Alaska, 792; Philippines (regulars), 11,884; Philippines (scouts), 5,785; China, 1,274; Porto Rico, 714; Hawaii, 8,445; canal zone, 7,099; miscellaneous, 619; total, 107,641.

Vast Unorganized Forces.

While the present organized forces are minute the reserve man power of the United States is more vast than that of any white nation except Russia.

According to the census of 1910 (since when the increase has been great), the reserve militia of the United States by which is meant the males aged between eighteen and forty-four years and included in the organized forces amount to 29,538,347 men.

The above total does not include the men of the insular possessions except

TEXAS TALES TOLD BY TYPE

Continental State bank of Van Alstyne announces that it will finance the buying of brood sows for as many Van A. sows as they will be purchased in land sold at the purchase price on one-year notes, bearing 8 per cent interest.

Practically all of the large buildings destroyed in the recent conflagration at Wichita Falls will be replaced by brick structures. The Cameron Lumber company, the heaviest loser, expects to put a larger yard.

In honor of his seventy-fifth birthday and his sixty-sixth year as president of the First National bank of Corsicana, directors of the latter institution presented Captain James Garrity with complimentary resolutions.

The governor approved the bills for the east coast, south Texas, normal at Alpland the one at Commerce. He vetoed the constitutional convention bill saying it had not received the necessary two-thirds majority.

An International and Great Northern railroad fire ten miles south of Marlin, was caused by burning by members of the crew of a passenger train. Flames were extinguished before any serious damage was done. It is believed to have been of incendiary origin.

Rojerio Cabero was convicted at Brownsville of complicity in the murder of E. H. Edmondson and J. T. Smith in a bank raid near that city in September, 1915, and given fifteen years. A year ago he was acquitted of complicity in another bandit escape.

A patriotic demonstration, which included a long procession, was held at Cleburne. At its conclusion Senator La Follette was burned in effigy on the courthouse square. As the flames consumed the figure there were shouts of "America first" and other patriotic utterances.

A suit was filed at Dallas for the state through J. H. Brinn, representing the state, against Dawson Bros., requesting that some vinegar in storage be declared adulterated and asking for an order for its disposal by destruction or sale.

Two men with American names were each fined \$12.95 in police court at Fort Worth on charge of being drunk and disorderly. They were found by the police in the midst of a group of national guardsmen, who were about to handle them roughly for cursing the flag and the president.

German Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg, who for many years owned a block of ground at Waco, has sold it for \$7,700 to C. Colvin, a cotton man of that city. Negotiations for the sale were made by Otto Rau, agent for the chancellor, who owns several pieces of property in South Waco.

In an effort to get 1,000 men for the navy from the Dallas district Lieutenant E. Kemp, in charge, has secured an automobile with a carrying capacity of ten men, which applicants are taken to Dallas for examination. The automobile visits nearby towns whenever the officers are advised that there are men desirous of enlisting.

G. L. Moran of Pecan Gap, Lamar county, was taken to a Paris sanitarium in a precarious condition, including concussion of the brain, brought about by being thrown on his head while he and three companions were traveling in an automobile. The latter was overturned. One of the men sustained a broken shoulder.

The Swift Armour packeries in North Fort Worth have put on extra guards and all visitors who cannot satisfactorily establish the right to enter. The plants are third largest in the world and it would seriously embarrass the government should they be crippled by threats of German sympathizers.

Comp. J. H. Bell declined to issue a warrant for \$175 in favor of Senator W. D. Sullivan for expenses incurred while he was in ill during the regular session of the Thirty-Fifth legislature and one in favor of Senator R. M. Johnson of Houston for \$250 to defray the expenses of the senator as a delegate to the United Col. federate union at Washington.

Mrs. N. Akin of Yeso, N. M., is visiting her mother, Mrs. J. C. Stevenson and other relatives.

HOW OUR ARMY OF 265,000 COMPARES WITH OTHER COUNTRIES

	Peace strength.	Reserve.	Total war strength.	Unorganized males of military age.
United States	265,000	4,530,000	265,000	22,000,000
Germany	880,599	4,916,507	5,800,000	4,100,000
France	761,000	4,016,000	5,300,000	3,600,000
Russia	1,384,000	2,125,956	3,500,000	30,000,000
Austria-Hungary	436,035	2,994,200	3,430,000	4,570,000
Italy	325,000	2,743,586	3,068,586	6,700,000
Great Britain	275,014	257,510	532,524	7,000,000
Holland	65,000	297,510	362,510	8,500,000
Switzerland	142,250	1,250,000	1,392,250	2,500,000
Japan	250,000	1,250,000	1,500,000	4,520,782

Woman's Missionary Society

The Society had their meeting last Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Elkin.

The attendance was not so good as hoped for, because of the afternoon being so blustery. We were sorry our president, Mrs. Smith, could not be with us because of sickness. Her record of attendance to this date having been perfect.

The lesson for the day was Bible questions on Nehemiah and Job.

The Society appreciated the presence of Mesdames Aiken, Friends and O'Brien, as well as those who were unable to attend our meetings. Mrs. Elkin served delicious punch and ribbon cake.

The Society will hold their social meeting at the home of Mrs. W. O. Willingham next Monday, with, presumably a missionary program, which will probably be followed by the Bible questions on Esther and Psalms.

Supt. Publicity, W. M. S.

RESOLUTIONS

Whereas; God in His infinite wisdom has seen best to permit the death angel to visit the homes of our beloved sisters and brother, and remove therefrom their loved ones, therefore be it Resolved by Stanton Chapter No. 409, O. E. S. that we extend our heartfelt sympathy to sister Belle Johnson, the widow of her father; sister Lottie Robertson on the death of her daughter; sister Nobye Hamilton and brother Ira Cockerham on the death of their mother; and sister Beulah Sale on the death of her brother.

Resolved that these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the Chapter, a copy be transmitted to sister Belle Johnson, sister Lottie Robertson, sister Nobye Hamilton, sister Beulah Sale, and brother Ira Cockerham, and to the Stanton Reporter.

Mamye Hall, Clara Haynie, A. B. Miller, Committee.

F. G. Schell made a business trip to Midland Monday.

FOR SALE—Good second-hand lumber. G. A. Merrick & Son.

F. W. Wilson made a business trip in south of Midland Tuesday.

M. H. Williamson and family of Big Springs visited friends and relatives here Saturday.

F. W. Wilson and family and J. H. Kelly and family attended the revival services at Midland Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Chesser and Mrs. J. J. Mills took in the patriotic rally at Big Springs Wednesday.

The scholastic census of the Stanton Independent school district has been completed and the report shows 304 children of school age in the district—a gain of twenty-five or thirty over last year.

At election held for the purpose of voting a tax in the Loyola school district the rate was raised from 15c to 40c. The vote was three to one in favor of the raise. The district will have a nine-month school the coming term.

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Mrs. A. O. Merrick and daughter, Miss Bonnie Eugene, left for Sweetwater Saturday on a visit to relatives.

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