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SOME FARMERS SAY CHANCE FOR WHEAT

This is not what the News says. We want the farmers to speak through the News this week, consequently we have asked a number of them about wheat prospects and for the most part they do not think there is much hope of a wheat crop worth considering. But conditions are different in different localities, owing to local showers last fall and also to time of sowing. That accounts somewhat for a difference of opinion. One thing though is that the wheat proposition is not so hopeless that any of the farmers say they are ready to plow it up yet.

Here is what a few say:
Sam Russell—"I don't think there will be any wheat made on my place. It hasn't started enough to keep the weeds down, but on the sandy land where the weeds don't grow so much they may have a chance to make some wheat. But I'll tell you what we will soon have for our cattle, we'll soon have plenty of grass. I was out yesterday on the creek and I didn't see a sprig of grass. I was back there again this morning after the rain last night and I saw wild rye four inches high."

H. V. Closs—"No I am not going to plow up my wheat. I don't know whether it will make wheat or not but I am going to let it stand. You can't ever tell what Foard county will do."

Frank Flesher—"Yes, my wheat looks good and has very good chance of making some wheat."

Steve Roberts—"I would not give fifteen cents for all the wheat that is made in Foard county this year. It's too far gone."

J. W. Bell—"You can't tell much about wheat. There may be some made. The farmers have plenty of time to wait and see. If they see wheat is a failure their land will be in fine shape for row crops. The farmers have their land in good shape and if they will wait until the ground gets thoroughly warmed before planting and by doing that save the cost and difficulty of procuring seed for a second or third planting as they often have to do because of too early planting, they have a mighty good show, judging from present conditions, to make good crops. The land has had a rest and has a new store of vitality."

A Brian—"I can't tell much about my wheat. It is very scattering, though the rains may bring it out."

M. L. Bird—"I don't think my wheat will make anything. It may furnish a little pasturage."

J. L. Miller—"I have 160 acres in wheat which I will let stand. I don't know what it will do. Never had experience of this kind with wheat but since I have plenty of land besides my wheat land I will not have to plow it up. So I'll wait and see what it does."

T. N. Bell—"If we get plenty of rain from now on till harvest time wheat can make alright."

Jim Gribble—"I don't think there is any chance for wheat, a lot of it died and then some was covered by the sand storms, consequently where there is any it shows a very poor stand."

John Coffey—"I don't know whether my wheat will make or not. It seems that the farmers generally are going to let their wheat stand, and I will let mine stand and see what it will do. The worst thing I see against it is that it is rather thin on the ground."

M. F. Meadors—"I have 60 acres that is very good and is coming out well. I think it will make wheat."

C. P. Sandifer—"They tell me that I have some wheat on the W. L. Campbell place that is coming fine and will make if the seasons are fair."

Mack Gamble—"I have 100 acres of good wheat that will come all right with a little more rain at the proper time. Then I have some other wheat not so good."

D. R. Irwin—"I have 200 acres of wheat that is coming out mighty pretty, and will let it stand. If the weeds don't come I think it can make alright. In 1916 Emmitt Blakemore, one of my neighbors, had some wheat sowed and it got no rain until the last of March. Mr. Blakemore told me that it came up after that rain in March and made the best wheat he had. But we had no sunflowers that year. If we should have them this year they may get the wheat otherwise, with fair seasons from now on there ought to be some wheat made."

T. J. Bell—"I wouldn't bet much on wheat, still you can't tell what it will do. We are going to sow about 200 acres of wheat land to oats, then if the oats freeze out as the wheat

NEIGHBOR'S GEESE FLY INTO DEATH TRAP

When J. J. McBeth moved from Petrolia to Foard county some time ago and settled on T. N. Bell's farm about five miles southeast of town he brought some geese, the kind that sometimes fly. All geese do not fly, but these do, or rather they did. They had a habit of going to the highest point they could find, and not satisfied with the view of the landscape such an elevation afforded, would often mount the air and sail over the country where they could get a better view of it.

There were seven of these geese navigating the air about three weeks ago, it happened to be on Sunday, too, and they were headed in the direction of Sam Russell's place. It was while M. M. Hart of Vera was here visiting, and at that time was at the Russell home, that place being the former homestead of Mr. Hart when he lived in Foard county several years ago. They were standing in the yard when the geese came over and when within gunshot distance Sam took a whack at one and brought him to the ground. He pulled down on another and down he came. By this time Mr. Hart's sporting propensity began to assert itself and so he wanted to demonstrate the aptness of his marksmanship, which he did, landing one of the geese. That made three they got out of the bunch. It was the best wild goose chase Sam said he had enjoyed since he was a boy.

The reader may be interested in knowing what became of the other four geese. Well, they got scattered and became confused in the excitement. Three of them sailed off from the house and landed in the field and the other stopped near the house to see what had become of its comrades and braved it right up to the house. Sam and Mr. Hart, too, said those were the gentlest wild geese they had ever seen. But they didn't bother the others. They had all they needed for dinner. They had an idea that they would save the balance for later sport.

That was a fine dinner, and being what they termed a wild goose dinner, was highly appropriate for the occasion and added zest to the repast. The visitor and brought thrills of delight to the entertainer that such a feast was made possible for him. It looked like the fates had decreed that all things should work together to make the day happy for both.

But every sweet has its bitter. In some way and some how we pay for all the good things we get in life. There is nothing free. Finally those geese were missed at the McBeth home and search was made for them, and when the matter was brought to Sam's attention that McBeth had lost some of their fine geese he calmly lifted his left eye at an angle of about 45 degrees towards the zenith and said, "I'll bet my old hat we ate them geese."

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comes it will be left. If they both come together they will make mighty fine feed. I would advise any farmer who has wheat sowed and where it did not come up until the last rain to sow a part of it in oats."

REDS TAKE LEAD IN SALE OF STAMPS THIS WEEK

Miss Lottie Woods' Room Comes to the Front with \$799.20 As Reward for Work of the Reds in One Week. Miss Clayton's Room Holds Second Place with Blues

CROWELL SCHOOL—			
REDS—CAPTAINS		BLUES—CAPTAINS	
Miss Self's Room	this wk	tot. to date	
George Nash	3.75	33.41	Herbert Swaim
Miss Razor's Room	2.00	80.71	Homer Carrington
T. White			29.41
Miss Williams' Room	.50	2.75	Francis Clark
Annie Sanders			79.16
Miss Clayton's Room	134.41	134.41	Martha Ray
Sam Ivie			17.06
C. L. Smith's Room	12.39	12.39	Clarence Benham
Winnie Self			6.76
Miss Klepper's Room	1.00	38.52	Margaret Yoder
Evanna Moody			16.42
Miss Young's Room	61.95	83.47	Dorothy Taggart
Morris Bell			124.26
Miss Carter's Room	3.25	25.02	Hal Yoder
Joe Roberts			10.88
Miss Woods' Room	799.20	858.63	Elmo Waldrop
Thelma Thompson			143.17
Miss Stephens' Room	.50	.50	Lois Taggart
Ella Edgin			9.51
FOUR CORNERS—			
Irene Hassell	2.50	6.25	Marie Bell
			9.89
AYERSVILLE—			
Odas Balwin	1.50	18.39	Wesley Taylor
			5.38
BAKER FLAT—			
Florrie Owens	2.50	2.50	Eva Blakemore
			23.15
GAMBLE—			
Winnie Morgan	13.39	13.39	Weldon Bell
			4.13
THALIA—			
Wright Randolph	5.14	42.23	Belle Abston
			6.14
FOARD CITY—			
Crawford Pool	6.38	6.38	Beatrice McDaniel
			2.75
VIVIAN—			
Grace Taylor	4.63	89.84	Jewel Fish
			2.50
JAMESON—			
Earl Anderson	28.91	28.91	Fred Swindell
			16.52
MARGARET—			
Rose Hlavaty	14.51	14.51	Cecil White
			8.64
RAYLAND—			
Linnie Cribbs	10.76	10.76	Bayley Reynolds
			9.26
Totals.....	885.42	1493.97	Totals.....
			331.40
			1371.43

NORTHWEST TEXAS NEWS

Mitchell county has voted \$100,000 road bonds.

Cottle county has the promise of \$50,000 Federal aid for road construction.

The report is that the drillers at Swearingen have reached a depth of 3,000 feet and find the indications for oil good.

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HAYES' TIN SHOP BURNED

Between 11 and 12 o'clock Friday night T. L. Hayes' tin shop just opposite the News office across the street was destroyed by fire, the house and its contents being a total loss. As soon as the fire was discovered the fire engine was brought into service but the fire had gained so much headway that it could not be controlled. It happened to be at time when there was comparatively no wind and light rain was falling. Otherwise it might have done more damage.

The loss to Mr. Hayes is complete, since he carried no insurance, and amounts to about \$1800. He does not know how it was set. Mr. Hayes says he will not rebuild.

ROBERT E. WATSON GETS POSTOFFICE
Noticed was received this week that Robert E. Watson, Jr., had passed a civil service examination as an applicant for the postoffice at this place that entitles him to that post. There were several applicants for the position. His friends are pleased to learn that he was successful in securing this position, and they are confident that he will make an efficient and responsible postmaster. We congratulate him, and wish him lots of hard work and an increase in salary as soon as conditions will justify. He is a worthy young man and is working hard to rise, and we are confident that he will make good in his new work.

SINCE LAST ISSUE
Renovals:
M. R. Shirley.
W. B. Harrison, Gracemont, Ok.
W. T. Keen.
Narve Johnson.
W. H. Bates.
S. C. Keeton.

New Ones:
C. L. Rucker.
Mrs. Clyde Graham.
Gillian McLarty.

AT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
I will occupy my pulpit at the Presbyterian church Sunday morning and night. 11 a. m. subject, "The New Birth, its necessity and its evidences." 7:30 p. m. subject, "The New World We Live In." Everybody cordially invited.—GEO. A. CRANE, Pastor.

A GREAT MAN AND HIS MESSAGE

Ralph Parlette has come and gone and we are a happier people by having heard his lecture and sermon. Those who caught and made a part of their very being the old familiar truth dressed in new clothes which he brought, are wiser.

We are bankrupt for words to describe just exactly our feeling, our surprise, our first impression of Mr. Parlette when, in the most ungrainly, awkward manner possible, he made his appearance. At first we thought of that wonderful intellect, "Honest Abe," then we tried to analyze his style, then we just resigned ourselves to the word "different." Yes, that's it. He was different to any other character we ever saw on the platform. Then in a few minutes we forgot all about his mannerisms in his striking personality and heart searching message that he brought us.

Saturday evening he addressed an audience at the opera house with his best lecture, "The University of Hard Knocks." The crowd was not as large as the committee had hoped for, in view of the wonderful opportunity to hear a man of national reputation. This lecture has been delivered over two thousand times since 1904.

Among the many good things he said were: "The University of Hard Knocks is the school of experience where we complete our education; the many knocks which we receive just develop our character."

"Most of us think we'd be great if we could just get a place, but we wouldn't—we'd be a great joke."

"You can't tell young people anything—they know better, so they just have to go and bump their heads where we bumped ours."

"The class colors of the University of Hard Knocks are black and blue. The class yell is 'ouch.' Some of us learn with few bumps, but most of us are naturally bright and have to be pulverized."

Sunday morning at eleven, Mr. Parlette lectured at the Christian church. All the congregations of the town dismissed for this service and a very large crowd greeted the philosopher. Rev. Hamblen read for the scripture lesson the 91 Psalm and Mrs. Merrill sang. After the devotional service Mr. Parlette talked for one hour to a very attentive audience. He said in part:

"I count this a fine honor to talk to you at this hour. I feel like we ought to have a Thanksgiving service and thank God for mud—m-u-d-d, mud."

"We are all here from the different churches of the town, Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterian, Christian, all worshipping God and enjoying christianity, but we have different manifestations of the same joy. After all the greatest thing in our life is our religious life. It is the christian religion which enables me to go among strangers, into all parts of the country, away from my own friends, because every where we find God's people striving for a better life. I count it a great privilege in my life to have met and known something of that heroic character, Beasley, who wrote The Titanic. He told me his experience on that ill fated ship. The crash and people were in confusion—panic reigned. People were trampling each other underfoot in their mad rush for the life boats. Beasley went to his room, took out his Bible and read this 91 Psalm and then communed with God, then read the Psalm through slowly again and asked God to guide him. He walked out on the deck. People were clamoring on the right side of the ship, fairly sinking the life boats in their wild rush. Beasley walked straight to the left side of the ship and there was a boat in which were only eight men. It was impossible for officers to get the people to this almost empty boat, but Beasley with a clear head and heart was guided by the Heavenly Father at a time when everything went dead wrong."

"We must get hungry before we enjoy eating, so we must get hungry for religion. We hear so many sermons, we see so many results of good sowing of the seed, but my friends, our own hearts must be plowed first. We need so much plowing in our lives. Just here Mr. Parlette gave a brief reference to his personal case of how he found God, and the wonderful influence of a devoted christian associate which he had. This young man had genuine happiness and was the cause of the turning point in Mr. Parlette's life." This is one power the Devil has never been able to dispute—the power of a true christian life.

"This dirty piece of green paper does not look capable of being of much value, but Uncle Sam's government is behind it and will make it good, so it is with us, our Redeemer liveth."

DROUTH IS BROKEN BY 12-HOUR RAIN

The News is a little afraid to say just what it wants to say about the rain last week. We remember one time, a little more than two years ago, when we had the last rain before this one, to have devoted about a column to the great rain and what it meant for this country, and some one of our exchanges belittled us for making such to do about it. It might get took down again. We told the truth alright but said exchange thought that people abroad might get the idea that a rain in West Texas is a phenomenal occurrence. That isn't altogether true, we are just a little more appreciative of a good rain than some people. That is true for two reasons, first, because the rainfall is not great, and second, because a real ground soaker does more good in this county than any other.

Some people not knowing conditions in West Texas would be surprised to learn that with one good season in the ground at the proper time the farmers have reasonable assurance of a crop with very little rain to follow.

The season we now have, which came Friday night and Saturday, could not have come at a better time for the row crop man. One and a half inches of rain, coming as it did slowly, puts a splendid season in the ground and gives the farmer something to work on. As a result Foard county will be a busy place for the tiller for the next two months, and business conditions, although having held up surprisingly well through the drouth, will be greatly revived.

Without any desire merely to boost for the sake of boosting, we must say that, not merely because of the rain, but because of the general financial conditions of the county and the prepared condition of farms generally to receive the rains, the prospects could hardly be better. The farmers had their land ready and the rains came at the opportune time. What more should we want?

All things weighed with judgment, the people of Foard county have cause to be as happy as any people on earth. Isn't it so? If not, just give the reasons.

BUSINESS CHANGE
A deal was affected this week whereby Decker Magee becomes the sole owner of the firm of Hinds & Magee, he having bought the interest of his partner, George Hinds. Decker will continue the business at the same stand while George contemplates farming. While we regret to see George sever his connection with the business interests of the town we are glad Decker is remaining. These boys have made good in their business career, having by hard work and faithful attention to business built up a splendid trade, which they have well merited. Decker will have some announcements to make in next week's issue relative to the business.

MASONS HERE FROM KNOX CITY
E. C. Couch, T. P. Frizzell, J. C. Smallin, W. E. Benedict, W. J. Blair, C. W. Gound, B. C. Anderson and M. M. Ward, were here Tuesday afternoon and night visiting the Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Crowell and conferred degrees on T. L. Hughton, S. C. Auld, Henry Burress and Bob Bell.

At 8 o'clock an oyster fry was served at the Elk Cafe, previous preparations being made for 50 plates. The occasion was an enjoyable one for all present.

HUGH WOODIN DEAD
A telegram was received yesterday stating that Hugh Woodin had died at Camp Bowie of pneumonia. He was one of the volunteer company going to Camp Bowie from this county. He is known by many people here and his death will be a shock to the entire county.

E. F. Young and wife came in Sunday to visit Mrs. Young's sister, Mrs. John Roberts. Mr. Young returned Monday to their home in Longview while Mrs. Young will remain here two or three weeks.

Then Mr. Parlette gave an illustration of the gasoline engine failing to run, because he couldn't get the spark, and compared it with the faith in God that will bring us real happiness.

Those who missed hearing this wonderful man missed an opportunity and are poorer thereby. As a town we feel very grateful to the ladies' clubs for making it possible for this lecturer, philosopher and teacher to come our way.—Contributed.



EASTER

Comes Early This Year

March 31 Is Easter Day

So don't delay in buying your new Made-to-Measure EASTER Suit.

Better come right in and get measured today. We'll hold it until Easter if you really don't want it until then. But be on the safe side and make your selection NOW.

Prices range from \$20.00 to \$50.00 with a special range of \$25 and \$30.

Loak at Our Show Window

Hinds & Magee

The Store Behind the First State Bank

Vivian News
Albert Fish attended court at Crowell Monday.
Ike Everson made a trip to Quanah last week.
T. W. Cooper and wife were in Crowell Friday.
Tom Patton visited homefolks in Crowell this week.
P. H. Nelson made a business trip

to Crowell Monday.
Mrs. Parsons from Crowell is visiting at Charlie Taylors.
Miss Jeffie Dockins returned to her home Monday at Good Creek.
Joe Rasberry made a business trip to Crowell the first of the week.
Allen Fish and family spent Monday night in Crowell at the Klepper home.

Private Jack Mitchell from Camp Bowie is visiting his brother, Jim Mitchell.
Ben and Hartley Easley and Melv. Gober were in Crowell the latter part of last week.
Miss Helen Turner visited Miss Fay Easley in Crowell from Friday until Sunday.
Paul J. Merrill, pastor of the Christian church at Crowell, lectured here Monday night on, "The Prussian System." There were a large crowd out to hear him and every one went away more determined to help win the war.

A Reader.

Thalia Items

Hartley Capps made a trip to Chillicothe, Texas, last week.
Elder Cabe of Vernon filled his regular appointment at the Christian church Sunday.
Quite a crowd enjoyed themselves at the party given by Mrs. Lem Roberts Tuesday night.
There being no preaching Sunday night the young people spent awhile in singing at Mrs. Taylor's.
Mrs. Maggie French and family moved from our town this week to Mr. Edwards' farm near Rayland.
The Thalia and Antelope basket ball boys played ball here Friday afternoon, in which Thalia was winner.

The county was blessed with a good rain the latter part of last week, which has started the farmers to work.

L. C. Johnson and Jesse Lyles, who are building a house east of Rayland, spent Thursday night with the T. A. Johnson family.

J. E. Patt of Palo Pinto county came last Saturday to be at the bedside of his sister, Mrs. Will Newbrough, who has been very sick.

We understand there is to be a literary society at the school house here Friday night. This will be its first meeting and we hope good interest will be manifested.

Leslie Abston of this place and Miss Ora Willis of Granite, Okla., were married at that place last Wednesday. They were met at Vernon Friday afternoon by Tom Abston and Sue Thompson and were brought to the home of the groom's parents. A well prepared supper was spread which was enjoyed by only a few relatives and friends. The young couple will make their home on the J. A. Abston farm north of Thalia.

Reporter.

Gems from Foard City

Grover Clifton has been sick this week.
Allie Honeycutt has the mumps this week.
The Misses Stanley spent the weekend in Crowell.
Uncle Jim Ashford's family have moved to Crowell.
Brother Dyer and family will move to Foard City soon.
Miss Lola Jones spent Monday night with Miss Faye Barry.
Charley Myers from Truscott was in our community last Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. Claude Barry will move to Foard City this week.
Miss Susie McDaniel spent the week end at Truscott and Antelope flat.
Miss Esther Smith spent Saturday night with Miss Arminda Lefevre.
Brother Merrill will preach here next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.
Mr. and Mrs. Weatherall, G. M. Eubank and A. P. Barry came in Tuesday from Lubbock.
Misses Pauline Murray and Nora Lefevre were in Crowell to see Dr. Abernethy Tuesday.
Mrs. Pope from Hamlin, who has been visiting her mother, Grandma Johnson, returned home Tuesday.
Orval and Frank Weatherall gave a singing Sunday night. The following attended: Misses McDaniel, Pool, Arminda Lefevre and Nora Lefevre and Messrs. Jones, Lefevre and Myers.

Punch and Judy.

Margaret Musings

The last week of February was very blustery. Had a barrage of sand and dust, which kept people at home so we have no news to report. March began with fine rains, one and one-half inches have fallen and came so slow that the thirsty land got the whole benefit. Oat sowing and preparing for spring crops are being rushed. Our greatest trouble is lack of seed.

We have a farm of dark sandy land all in cultivation, which we will sell to some one who wants to work, if taken at once.

Kafoozleum.

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Tireology

Tires for automobiles, motorcycles and bicycles afford a most convincing argument in favor of standard or trademarked - advertised merchandise as compared with the non-standard sort.

Tires present a big problem in the way of expense and trouble to car owners; one on which they should inform themselves thoroughly.

Primarily the manufacture of high quality rubber tires is necessarily a most skillful and painstaking operation. Only the very best rubber, fabrics, chemicals, etc., can be used, and labor and machine efficiency employed must also be of the very highest quality.

Even under these conditions, tires imperfect in one way or another will slip through—until they come under the eagle-eye of the factory inspector—whose sole duty is to see that every tire leaving the factory under the manufacturer's name or trade name is perfect in every detail. He is the watchful guardian and protector of his employer's good reputation, and of the pocket book of every buyer of a tire bearing his name or trademark.

Faulty tires of every description are culled, factory identification marks are removed and they are sold—under no guarantee whatever—as seconds. They are admittedly imperfect, faulty, unworthy of the name and guarantee of their maker.

Are such tires, even at the reduced prices asked for them, as cheap in the long run as those found perfect under most rigid inspection and backed by the reputation and guarantee of the manufacturer.

AMERICANS DOING GOOD FIGHTING

It is encouraging to note that the Americans, although inexperienced fighters compared with the Germans, are showing themselves to be matches for the Germans. Within the last week or two they have had several encounters with the Germans and in every engagement they have fought like Americans are expected to fight. They have lost some men, but they have also taken several German prisoners. Some of the prisoners say they do not think Germany can win the war and that they do not want to fight but that they are forced to fight.

Bring your wheat to us for exchange for flour. You will get the same price for your wheat and will pay the same price for your flour as in a straight sell or buy. In other words you will get a square deal.—Bell Grain Co.

Meet me at Ferguson Bros.



Our Service

is at YOUR SERVICE: your Wants are our Commands. It will give us pleasure to serve you at any time you say.

Burks & Swaim Garage

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Hot and Cold Baths First Class Shines

The City Shaving Parlor

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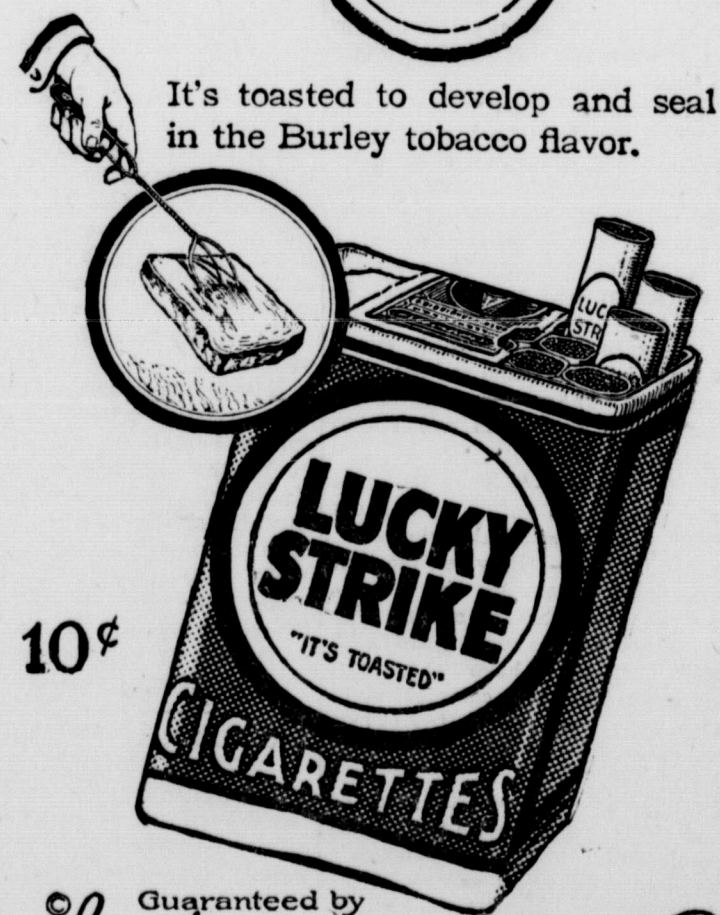
in Every Particular

C. T. SCHLAGAL, Proprietor

MEAT TASTES BETTER COOKED

And tobacco now tastes much better toasted.

You'll know this when you smoke the famous Lucky Strike cigarette, the real Burley cigarette.



It's toasted to develop and seal in the Burley tobacco flavor.

10¢

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Bring your wheat to us for exchange for flour. You will get the same price for your wheat and will pay the same price for your flour as in a straight sell or buy. In other words you will get a square deal.—Bell Grain Co.

Meet me at Ferguson Bros.

Fat Cattle Wanted
I will buy your fat cattle at the best market price. Call, phone or write me if you have any to sell.—J. W. Bell, Crowell, Texas.

If you want a bargain in a second hand auto, see us.—M. S. Henry & Co.

A Dollar's Worth for a Dollar

is the rule that prevails in our store. In the selection of our stock of Groceries QUALITY is the first consideration, the price is a secondary matter. In fact, the difference between the cost of an inferior article and one of real merit is so small it is not economy to purchase cheap goods.

We have just received a shipment of the famous California fruits packed under the Del Monte brand, consisting of Peaches, Pears, Apricots, Cherries, Catsups, Etc., the quality of which is not excelled by any fruits on the market. Considering the quality, the price is exceedingly low.

We will not try to mislead you by telling you that we can sell you goods cheaper and save you more money than any other house in the country, but we have a pride in selling goods that will be satisfactory to you in both quality and price. Will appreciate your business on a business basis.

SANDIFER GROCERY CO.

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Our Dimension Lumber

is manufactured of carefully selected stock, cut accurately to all standard sizes and seasoned thoroughly by open-air process. We carry both rough and dressed lumber in several grades—suitable for various purposes.

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to every customer, no matter what the amount of his purchase. Come and talk over your plans with us. We can show you how to save money in buying all kinds of building material.

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C. T. Herring Lumber Co.

POINTS ON PEANUT PLANTING

It is pretty generally agreed that owing to the high food value of the peanut for man or beast, as well as its adaptability to a wide range of climatic and soil conditions in Texas, few crops promise so profitable returns the coming season. A few suggestions as to handling the crop may prove helpful to new growers.

It were better, of course, that the land should have been flat-broken in the fall, so that the turned-under litter might be well rotted ahead of spring preparation of the ground. This should start with deep wide fur-

rows, about three feet apart, using for the purpose a large solid sweep or small middlebuster. Bed on these furrows, both sides, with one-horse turning plow, set as deep as furrows, being careful to leave no unbroken ground next to the lay-off furrows.

If the land is foul with grass and weeds, and if vegetation has started, the first crop will be destroyed by the foregoing procedure. If not ready to plant, or if the grower desires to "lay for" another start of grass and weeds, the section-harrow may be run across the ridges, to hold moisture.

When ready to plant, get part of the ridges with twenty-four inch sweep set flat, running again with the same sweep in the same place, being sure the second time, to get a little below the general surface, and especially if west of thirty-five inch average annual rainfall. If the ridges are crossed with the section-harrow it may be possible, by using two horses, to get below the surface and then some, with a single sweep-furrow. Follow the sweep with the planter. If acid phosphate is used, put in first furrow, and mix with narrow shovel, set deeper than the fertilizer.

Give clean cultivation. Any grass left in the row will come out, roots and all, with goobers, causing decided damage to the quality of the hay. Gradually work a broad, but not very high bed to the plants. As good a crop of peanuts as was ever grown upon the East Texas farm of the writer, was handled as above, and the land was not broken the previous year.

We have for several years been planting cotton in six foot rows, with peanuts between. We do not get nearly or quite as large per acre yield of goobers from wide rows, but we do get more than half a crop for the latter. For instance, as nearly as may be estimated, if the crop would be forty bushels per acre in close rows, we would get, say, twenty-five bushels per acre in wide rows. We have never tried cotton in five-foot rows with peanuts between, but believe that the yield of both cotton and peanuts will be relatively larger.

The peanut market last season, was more stable than the cotton market, and acre-for-acre, made as much money. We shall have something to say a little later about harvesting, threshing and selling.—Prepared for Texas Food and Feed Production Campaign by R. R. Claridge, State Agricultural Department.

Dr. Abernethy Coming

Dr. Abernethy, ear, eye, nose and throat specialist, will be in Crowell professionally, between trains, Tuesday, April 2nd.

Trespass Notice

No hunting, trapping or putting out poison is allowed in my pasture. Trespassers will be prosecuted.—Furd Halsell.

See the announcement of the home talent program to be given at the opera house Mar. 14th by the Ladies Aid of the Christian church.

Forget Your Corns

by getting rid of them. Forget the pain and discomfort they cause by using



REXALL CORN SOLVENT

Needn't cut them—which is dangerous. Just apply the liquid according to the very simple directions—and in a day or two, if the corn still annoys you, come back and get your money.

A quarter's worth of Rexall Corn Solvent will give you many dollars' worth of comfort—or it won't cost you the quarter.

Rexall Corn Solvent is Sold in this Community Only at

Fergeson Brothers

West Side Square

J. I. Case Non-Skid Sulky Lister

THE J. I. Case "Non-Skid" Lister is a modern and up-to-date machine embodying a number of attractive and practical features. It is strongly built throughout and does a high grade of work.

"A Non-Skid Lister"

The bottom of this lister sets solid in the frame and prevents the machine from skidding. This feature of construction is a great improvement over other styles of two-wheel listers.

Seed spout telescopes above shoe—preventing clogging.

Wheels have a wide latitude of adjustment—over eight inches. May be adjusted by means of a key pin to suit the width of the row.

Long-distance, dust-proof wheel adjustable on box, giving both dust-proof and adjustable features—felt, oil-retaining washers.

Penetration is controlled by on auxiliary lifting bale, which also assists in holding it to its work and prevents skidding.

Planting Distances

Planting distances for corn 12, 14, 16, 18, 20 and 22 inches.

Bottom can be raised and lowered as little as a half inch—fine adjustment.

Chain driving the driving mechanism is exceptionally heavy and strong. A simple device for tightening this chain prevents any possibility of its slipping.

Furnished with shovel or disc coverer as ordered.

2 1/2 Concave tire.

Sweep can be attached.

Adjustable disc coverers.

J. H. SELF & SONS

ANSWERS PROTEST

I beg leave to differ with the one who wrote the "Protest" last week on the delivery question. My husband having been a groceryman, I know how to sympathize with them. I know all the grocerymen of Crowell, and to me they seem to be an average of the business men in any town, and it seems to me when they are charged as being "high-handed and arbitrary" to the interests of their customers that is going pretty strong. But then, there are people in the world who would not go at all if they could not go the limit.

Our Government is calling on the people to eliminate all expenses possible, to save gasoline and other things to help win the war. I think the grocerymen have done a patriotic duty, and I will not be to cook so much, for my husband is so sorry he will not bring the groceries up, and I positively will not cook them unless he does. I want to thank the grocerymen for helping me to make the lazy rascal do something or starve. I think this move will make a believer out of him; at least I hope so. I have him where I can starve him to it and I hope I may succeed. But after all, he is a good man and I could not get along without him, but we women just have to have some one to abuse and criticize, so I lambast him instead of other people and no one knows anything about it, and in this way when we go out any place I can smile and look wise and tell people about my happy home.

There are seven grocery stores in Crowell, and if they maintain a delivery system it means that they will each have to invest \$400.00 for cars. That means \$2800.00 invested. The monthly expense of operation for each would be \$40.00, or \$280.00 for all seven. That would be an annual expense of \$3,360.00. The total outlay and expense of operation then would be \$6,440.00. By that time the cars would be worn out, for a year is about the life of a delivery car. So these figures would just about represent the cost of operating this system.

As to the Sears & Robuck question I want to say this. Do they deliver anything to you? Did they ever help build any churches in your town or schools, or any other public enterprises? If you should have some serious misfortune and lose all you had in this world would you call on Sears & Robuck for assistance? If so, do you think you would get it? No, you would lose the three cent stamp you

used in writing, for I am sure you would not get a reply. There are none of the conveniences you receive in the town where you live contributed by Sears & Robuck. Then why should our grocerymen be threatened with those people.

Oh, well, just have to say something at times, and unless we can say the worst we can think of it would do us no good.

Well, after all, this is just a friendly difference of opinion.—A Housewife.

ELISHA RYDER

Elisha Ryder, aged 77 years, died Tuesday at the home of his son, W. A. Ryder in Gilliland community, Knox county.

Mr. Ryder had not been well for nearly five years and a few days before death he became paralyzed.

He had eight children, three of whom are living and were at his bedside during the last week of his life. Geo. Ryder of Seymour, Jno. Ryder of Oklahoma, and W. A. Ryder in whose home he died.

Mr. Ryder formerly lived in Fort Worth, having settled there many years ago, but for the last five years he had lived with his son, Will, at Gilliland.

Early in life Mr. Ryder was converted and joined the Methodist church, and lived a useful life to the church, having for fourteen years acted as superintendent of a Methodist Sunday School in the edge of Ft. Worth.

He will be missed as a citizen and a true christian gentleman. A host of grandchildren are left the heritage of a well-spent life.

He was buried in the Gilliland cemetery Tuesday afternoon, the funeral services being conducted by Rev. J. H. Hamblen of Crowell, who was accompanied to that place by Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Shawver.—Contributed.

GETS RESULTS FROM AD.

Will Johnson was in the office Monday. He had advertised some brown Leghorn eggs for sale and we asked him whether he had sold any or not from the ad. He said no but that a fellow told him that day that he wanted ten dozen. It looks like he was making a pretty good start.

SPAN OF MULES SELL FOR \$550

Jim Gafford sold a span of mules Monday to J. W. Bell for \$550, the highest price ever paid for a team in this county. These were raised by Tom Bell and were four years old.

Try Nyals corn remover.—Fergeson Bros.

When wanting anything in our line, try us and get a square deal.—School-ey & Cross.

Just received a shipment of Queen incubators—the kind to buy.—J. H. Self & Sons.

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Lands, Loans and Abstracts

Crowell, Texas

Women, Prepare!

Thousands of women in Texas have overcome their sufferings, and have been cured of woman's ills by Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. This temperance medicine, though started nearly half a century ago, sells most widely today. It can now be had in tablet form (60c a package) as well as liquid, and every woman who suffers from backache, headache, nervousness, should take this "Prescription" of Dr. Pierce's. It is prepared from nature's roots and herbs and does not contain a particle of alcohol or any narcotic. It's not a secret prescription for its ingredients are printed on wrapper. Send for trial package, tablet to Doctor V. M. Pierce, Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y.



DALLAS, TEXAS.—"I was suffering from woman's ills for many years ago I had woman's ills. I went to our family physician and he told me to get Doctor Pierce's Favorite Prescription, that it was as good as anything he could give me. A few days after I had taken a few of Dr. Pierce's medicine cured me of my ills. I am well of woman's disease. I have written to Dr. Pierce's Invalids' Hotel which was always profited without any charge.—Mrs. D. Route 1, Box 93.

KERENS, TEXAS.—"I am very glad to say I used Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription ten years ago I had woman's ills. I went to our family physician and he told me to get Doctor Pierce's Favorite Prescription, that it was as good as anything he could give me. A few days after I had taken a few of Dr. Pierce's medicine cured me of my ills. I am well of woman's disease. I have written to Dr. Pierce's Invalids' Hotel which was always profited without any charge.—Mrs. D. Route 1, Box 93.

HOW OFTEN HAVE YOU LOOKED

For a receipted bill—one of those accts. which you know you know you have paid, but simply misplaced the receipt? Careful about you business matters perhaps, but such mistakes will occur.

A Check Account in this bank will solve these perplexing problems, be it your business or household affairs. Let this bank keep your books. You get a receipt in the check, a record on the stub and your finances are always well in hand.

Keep your checking account with this bank.

"Let Our Bank Be Your Bank"

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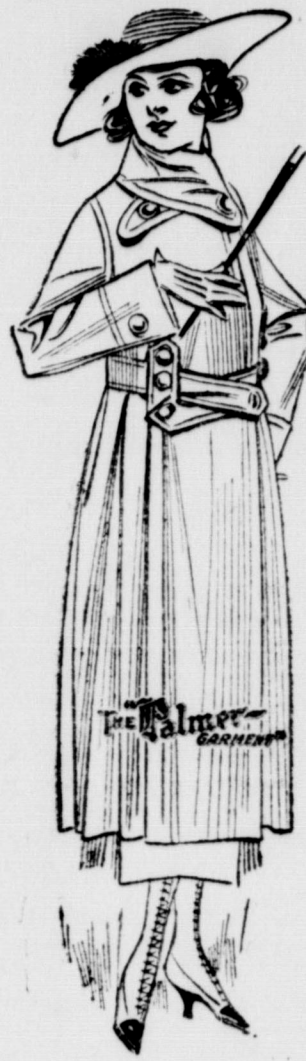
LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Overlands—B. W. Self. Cream at Riggold's 48 cents. The Loydd Hotel has quit serving meals. The famous BATAVIA tire at Self Motor Co. Furd Halsell is here this week from Fort Worth. Leonard Pyle was here from Quanah Thursday. L. K. Johnson was here from Vernon Tuesday. Lee Edwards was in Quanah Thursday on business. Misses Cressie and Ora Bell were in Vernon Thursday. J. A. Shawver's fine milch cow died the first of the week. W. B. McCormick was in Quanah Thursday on business. We do general repair work on all cars.—Self Motor Co. Mrs. A. E. Pearce is visiting her parents at Blue Grove. We have an expert on generators and starters.—Self Motor Co.

W. H. Richardson was here Wednesday from Quanah. I want to trade for a first class milch cow.—M. S. Henry & Co. Leslie McAdams and wife were here Wednesday from Swearingen. Mrs. John Cope of Quanah visited her mother, Mrs. Cheek, Tuesday. Second hand auto at a special price. See B. W. Self or George Monroe. Mat Muldoon of Houston was here this week looking after business matters. For Sale—Barred Plymouth Rock eggs, \$1.50 per setting.—Mrs. W. A. Cogdell. 42p Mrs. Earl Benedict of Knox City visited in the Lanier home Tuesday afternoon. Drive around the corner to Self Motor Co. and see the excellent service you will get. Mesdames Joe Johnson, Mark Henry and Tom Beverly were shopping in Quanah Thursday. Mrs. Frank Long left Wednesday for Temple where she will visit her sister, Mrs. Geo. Hay. We want your grocery trade and can handle it satisfactorily to you.—Sandifer Grocery Co.

Brown Leghorn eggs for sale.—Mrs. S. S. Bell. J. L. Gibbons was here from Altus Monday. The famous BATAVIA tire at Self Motor Co. Dr. Abernathy was here Tuesday from Altus. Garden seeds of all kinds at Sandifer Grocery Co. Ben Whitfield visited relatives in Stamford this week. J. G. Witherspoon went to Quanah Tuesday on business. We do general repair work on all cars.—Self Motor Co. Mrs. A. Brian is visiting her sister at Longview this week. Henry Gribble has a new boy at his home, born Monday. John Brown was here from Truscott Friday of last week. Roy Page of Altus, grocery salesman, was here Wednesday. We have an expert on generators and starters.—Self Motor Co. D. J. Brookerson was here this week attending to business in court. J. H. Norcross and wife left for their home at Quanah Monday. Crutcher Cole and Wayne Holmes were here Sunday from Vernon. "The Son of Democracy," first number at the Opera house Friday night.—Bell Bros. Mrs. Stanley of Wichita Falls is here visiting her daughter, Mrs. Edgar Womack. Drive around the corner to Self Motor Co. and see the excellent service you will get. I will stand the George Johnson jack seven miles southwest of Crowell.—Newt Johnson. 43 Mrs. Will Bost left Monday for Colorado City on account of the serious illness of her father. I have brown Leghorn eggs for sale at \$1.00 per setting of 15. Good stock.—Will Johnson. Something worth seeing—"The Son of Democracy," opera house beginning Friday night.—Bell Bros. J. W. Spotts who recently moved to McLean from Margaret orders his paper changed to that place. Billie Hull Jr., was here Saturday and Sunday from Carnegie, Okla., visiting Miss Christine Ricks. Privates Bob Bomar, Alton Andrews and Charlie Alger are here this week from Camp Bowie visiting relatives. Joe Long is here this week from the western part of the county, where he has been employed by a big cattle outfit. Just received a car load of J. I. Case listers—the lister that saves seed and labor, and increases yield.—J. H. Self & Sons. Paul Barry and T. M. Beverly came home this week from Lubbock where they visited the Eubanks family for several days. Give us a trial on your overhaul job and we can tell you just what it will cost you. WHY PAY MORE.—Self Motor Co. Mrs. Ridah McConnell of Dallas arrived Sunday to begin her duties as trimmer for R. B. Edwards & Co. for the spring season.

Attractions in Our Ready-to-Wear and Millinery Departments



Although merchandise has been harder to obtain, we have used our best endeavors, while deliveries are slow. We are able to say "Here are styles that are correct in every way and values that tell their own story." We ask every woman in Crowell and surrounding territory to visit these departments and become better acquainted with this store and its merchandise. We do not ask you to buy, although we shall offer no objections. But the real object is to acquaint you with our new goods and our facilities to please you.

Mrs. McConnell is in charge of our Millinery Department and will be pleased to show you the latest in Millinery.

The Store with the Goods

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The Oldest and Largest

M. P. Thompson from Wichita Falls arrived Thursday and will work M. R. Shirley's farm this year. W. S. Bell returned Thursday from Austin where he attended a special session of the Legislature. Maize seed in the head for sale at \$5.00 per hundred.—W. E. Hallmark, 1 1/2 miles west of Crowell. 42p J. F. Ross is here this week from Waxahachie looking after his farming interests near Foard City. Do you have some light hauling? We give you quick service and Glynn Shultz knows how to handle it. Phone 56.

See the announcement of the home talent program to be given at the opera house Mar. 14th by the Ladies Aid of the Christian church. See the announcement of the home talent program to be given at the opera house Mar. 14th by the Ladies Aid of the Christian church. Miss Edna Morgan of Dallas arrived Monday and will be at the head of the millinery department at the Self Dry Goods Company this season.

Farm to rent, located 1 1/2 miles north of Antelope school house. 60 acres in cultivation, 40 in pasture, 2-room house, lots, cribs and tank.—E. O. Traveek, phone line 4, 2 shorts and 1 long. 41p Miss Lola Womack returned Wednesday from Vernon where she had been visiting the family of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Ferguson. She was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Howard Ritchie.

They Say Beauty is Only Skin Deep

But we say that people can't see through the skin, and most women are beautiful both within and without.

However, to be beautiful you must have a beautiful complexion. If your complexion is sallow, muddied, freckled or blotchy, your druggist is the one to consult, as he has a remedy for each of these blemishes.

Our stock of beauty accessories for the ladies' toilet can not be surpassed. You should see us if you have any skin blemishes.

Complete Stock Drugs of All Kinds

The Owl Drug Store

T. P. REEDER, Proprietor

Never Say "Enough"

An Irishman who was getting the worst of it in a fight was asked if he would say "enough." He replied: "If I had strength to say that I wouldn't be licked."

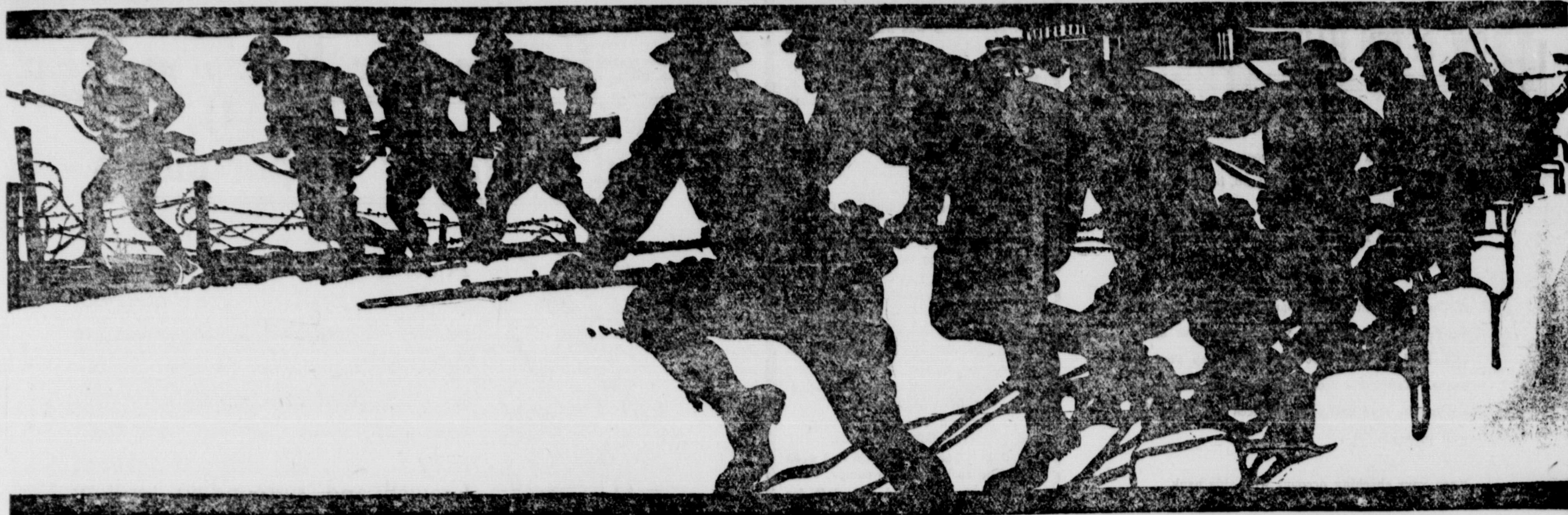
That's the proper spirit. NEVER GIVE UP. A quitter never gets anywhere. If hard luck hits you, brace up and go after it. We acknowledge the tuture has looked dark. Now we have had a nice rain. Let's buckle down to it and do our dead level best. If you need help come to see us. That's what we are here for—to help.

First State Bank of Crowell

R. R. WALDROP, Active President
R. B. GIBSON, Cashier

M. L. HUGHSTON, A. C.
VERA WALDROP, A. C.

Next Friday night, the first serial number of "The Son of Democracy" will be at the opera house. There will be ten numbers in all of two reels each.—Bell Bros. We have bought the galvanized flat sheets that Mr. Hayes had in his building at the time of his fire. We can sell them cheap for chicken houses.—M. S. Henry & Co. If you want real service on your laundry work, give us a trial. We call for it on Monday and until noon Tuesday and deliver it back to you on Saturday.—W. E. Stovall, phone 56.



Let Your Dollars Be Patriots!

THIS war is a test of a democratic Government. It is also a trial of democracy as to its fitness to survive. A small group of autocrats within whose hands are the resources of Central Europe are attacking the principle of the right of people to govern themselves. Should the United States and its allies fail in this war there will not remain on earth a people absolutely independent of the dictation of the Teutonic empires, organized for military efficiency and bent on using that efficiency for the purpose of forcing their will upon the world. Let the Teutons triumph and the world will not be a safe place for democracy, and to make it such a safe place, is not only the expressed purpose of the United States in taking up the challenge of the Huns, but also the purpose of the other powers who took up the challenge when Germany sent it forth three years and a half ago, and who for three years and a half have borne the burden of the conflict.

For this reason the PRESENT BUSINESS OF THE UNITED STATES IS WAR—war to exterminate organized unrighteousness and to establish peace among the nations of the world.

The Government has perfected a plan which will enable all of our people without exception, to take a definite part in winning the war.

One of the first great steps called for by the Government is—**SAVING**. The American people must cease to require all of the pleasant and comfortable luxuries which they consumed before the war, the production of which calls for the energy of millions of men and women. These men and women must devote themselves to the production of the things which are needed to win the war. This is the key to the present situation; it rests in the hands of the average man, woman and child in every state in the Union, by refraining from everything not absolutely necessary to health, and efficiency, to release strong arms for the production of materials of war to support our army and navy.

Idle dollars are **SLACKER** dollars, but dollars spent for unnecessary articles, the production of which require labor and materials which the government needs to save the lives of our fighting men, are **TRAITOR** dollars.

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NO REASON FOR PESSIMISM

Minneapolis Journal: Just why the Germans have so long and persistently advertised their offensive on the western front is an enigma. It is not their custom to take the world into their confidence when about to begin an important military movement. The purpose of this advertising campaign will doubtless be disclosed in good time. Possibly their hope is to weaken the morale of the allies by keeping them in suspense as to just where the offensive is to be begun. But there are no signs of perturbation among the forces facing the Teutons from Flanders to Venetia. On the contrary, there is an alert readiness that promises a smashing of German hopes. The decision of the Versailles conference for a unified control of the whole front, including the "side show" at Saloniki, means the elimination of the weakness that has heretofore come from divided councils. Here at home one may detect occasionally an undercurrent of pessimism as to the outcome, an apprehensiveness that springs from ignorance of the true conditions. Perhaps this is one of the efforts sought by the Germans advertising campaign. At any rate, every American should at once cast out of his mind any such feeling, for it has no sound basis.

After all, it must be remembered

that the Germans have not yet won a single military victory of importance, except by treachery and intrigue. All their successes have been achieved in that way from the outset. They began by violating Belgian neutrality—a characteristic piece of treachery which enabled them to overrun Belgium and advance far into France. But they were stopped at the Marne and at Ypres by forces that were inferior numerically. If the unprepared English and the outnumbered French could stop them then, how can they hope to break through now? On the western front German victories have been won by wholesale corruption and intrigue. The German cabal at Petrograd early succeeded in paralyzing the Russian arms by corrupting high officials, cutting off supplies of munitions and sending the mujiks into battle without weapons to fight with. It was thus that Hindenburg won his much vaunted triumph of the Masurian Lakes; it was thus that the Russian invasion of Galicia that threatened to cut off Hungary was finally thrown back. German treachery has played a part in every step of the disintegration of Russia. The case of Roumania is typical. Forced into the war before she was

ready by a Russian ultimatum and

on the promise of prompt Russian assistance, she was left naked to the German attack by the treachery of the unspcakable Sturmer, who not only prevented Russian help from being given her, but sent the whole Roumanian plan of campaign to Germany, so that Mackensen knew every move that was to be made and overran the country at his pleasure. Serbia, too, was left defenseless by the treachery of Germany's tool, Czar Ferdinand of Bulgaria, and the failure of Greece to keep her promise of assistance, due to the machinations of King Constantine, who was also under German influence. Even the participation of Turkey in the war on the German side was brought about by a secretly planned attack on Russia in the Black Sea, carried out by Turkish ships under German command. The insidious undermining of Italian morale by carefully planned, unscrupulous propaganda was the indispensable preface to the advance into Venetia last fall. But the Italian armies made the most wonderful recovery of morale ever recorded, and with the help of the French and English stopped the invasion in time. Germany has broken about every tenet of international law, has indulged in every known form of illegal warfare, has invented numerous new schemes of frightfulness. Her submarine campaign is the greatest offense of all her sins against civilization. But the Prussian bag of tricks is about exhausted. The allies are not to be overcome by any such methods. It is a case of fight, and nothing but fight, to win. In every instance where the Teutons and the western allies have stood up against each other face to face the Huns have been beaten. They will be beaten this time, and it may prove their last gasp, their final hope.

There is no reason for pessimism.

The forces are nearly equal in numbers, but in stamina, in morale, in confidence, in resources, France, England, Italy and the United States are insuperable, Germany is autocracy. It is the devil's system. **OPERA HOUSE, MARCH 14** The Ladies Aid of Christian will give a home-talent program at the opera house, Thursday evening, Mar. 14. This will be a miscellaneous program of readings and musical numbers. A very pleasant evening is promised for the small sum of 15c and 20c. Come and get your freinds to come also. **UGH! CALOMEL MAKES YOU DEATHLY SICK** Stop using dangerous drug before it salivates you! Its horrible You're bilious, sluggish, constipated and believe you need vile, dangerous calomel to start your liver and clean your bowels. Here's my guarantee! Ask your druggist for a 50 cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone and take a spoonful tonight. If it doesn't start your liver and straighten you right up better than calomel and without griping or making you sick I want you to go back to the store and get your money. Take calomel today and tomorrow you will feel weak and sick and nauseated. Don't lose a day's work. Take a spoonful of armless, vegetable Dodson's Liver Tone tonight and wake up feeling great. It's perfectly harmless, so give it to your children any time. It can't salivate, so let them eat anything afterwards. 11 We have house lights and shades, prices are right.—Schooley & Cross.

CHURCH CALLS PASTOR

At the regular conference of Baptist church last Sunday the church went into the call of a pastor, which resulted in the unanimous choice of Rev. J. E. Billington, now pastor of a Baptist church at Waco. He served the church here several years ago, and under his pastorate it was greatly built up. He is a splendid preacher and an excellent Sunday School worker, and the membership will be fortunate in securing his services again if he accepts. **WILL PAY MORE** The Bell Grain Company will pay more for your sacks. We need them.—Bell Mill & Elevator Co. Meet me at Fergeon Bros.

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INSYDE-TIRES
Doubles Tire Life and Mileage—No More Nail Punctures
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HEREFORDS FOR SALE

I have 5 extra high-grade Hereford bull yearlings for sale at \$75 each. Can be seen at my place 12 miles west of Crowell.—L. D. Harris. 42p

J. G. Moncus

General Blacksmithing, Woodwork, Horseshoeing a Specialty. Do all kinds of Machine Work and General Repairing. Give me a trial.

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OIL

Yes, that's what I handle. It's REAL OIL—not watered stock that has to be dried before it will burn—oil that has gone through a process of genuine refinement and is 100 per cent pure. Oil that will bake a biscuit light and make a room light. This product is put out by the

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which Company I represent. When you are in the market for oils of any kind, coal oil, lubricating oils, etc., phone or see me at the Herring Lumber Yard.

A. L. COCK

Have It Re-treaded

You can get many more miles out of those worn tires by having them re-treaded before the fabric begins to break. Come in and have it examined. If it isn't worth fixing I'll tell you so.

Lee Allan Beverly

South Side Square Steam Vulcanizing Crowell Texas

Fat Hogs and Cattle Wanted

I am prepared to handle all of your fat hogs and Cattle, and will pay the highest market prices. Phone, see me in person, or write

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We are in the Feed and Coal Business

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Jas. H. Olds

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GERMANY'S NATIONAL DEBT
Germany's National debt is reported to be 124 billion marks, which means that it is a little more than 30 billion dollars. It looks like it would just about take the whole empire to pay its war debt if the thing were to stop now.

Meet me at Ferguson Bros.

Knox City Sanitarium

A nice quiet homelike place, where you can have the comforts of a home with the advantages of a light, sanitary, up-to-date operating room ready for any emergency. Under the care of the best of nurses with my careful personal attention.

T. S. EDWARDS, Surgeon.

It Helps!

There can be no doubt as to the merit of Cardui, the woman's tonic, in the treatment of many troubles peculiar to women. The thousands of women who have been helped by Cardui in the past 40 years, is conclusive proof that it is a good medicine for women who suffer. It should help you, too.

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The Woman's Tonic

Mrs. N. E. Varner, of Hixson, Tenn., writes: "I was passing through the ... My back and sides were terrible, and my suffering indescribable. I can't tell just how and where I hurt, about all over. I think ... I began Cardui, and my pains grew less and less, until I was cured. I am remarkably strong for a woman 64 years of age. I do all my housework. Try Cardui, today. E-76"

MORAL PHILOSOPHY

By a Crowell boy

Written after two hours meditation in bed on the night of March 5, 1918, 11:30 p. m.

Man in this world is but one small unit of God's great plan. One unit in God's great universe. When that unit ceases to perform its ordained purpose it ceases as an individual and must surrender up its individual being and go to mix again with the rugged turf. "The soul that sinneth it shall die."

Human life is a tragedy, a comedy, an experiment, a game, if well played, the result is happiness, peace and finally when the door of this prison cell of clay is unlocked and the long suffering inmate takes its flight to its Parent,—"God who gave it," a bountiful reward awaits him.

Thus the incentive, is that sometime, somewhere, honest, hard effort is rewarded. The finite pierce the infinite but there is a hand that's directing affairs, is governing affairs, the laws of nature work perfectly. The planets and satellites do not turn away and collide, the sun and moon eclipse without a slip, so some power is beyond any save man's doubt running things.

Owen Meredith says:

The man who seeks one thing in life and but one,

May hope to achieve it before life be done;

But he who seeks all things, wherever he goes,

Only reaps from the hopes which around him he sows,

A harvest of barren regrets."

Shakespeare says:

Why let the stricken deer go weep,

The heart ungalloped play;

For some must watch while some must sleep,

Thus runs the world away?"

Koran says:

"Serve God and fellow men, and peace and happiness accompany you thru life here and hereafter."

KNOWLEDGE GOING TO WAST.

A man who was traveling in the mountains stopped at a cabin and asked for a drink of water. An old woman brought it out to him, and after drinking he had quite a talk with her, telling her great stories about some of the wonders he had seen in the outside world. Finally, when he stopped to take breath, the old woman took her pipe out of her mouth and said:

"Stranger, if I knowed as much as you do I'd go some'eres and start a little grocery."—St. Paul Pioneer Press.

CASTLE ROCK, COLORADO

In October 1905, Samantha and I visited this place, which is 30 miles south of Denver. The town takes its name from a large rock which, viewed from a distance, has a very striking resemblance to an ancient castle. It rests upon one of the foothills east of the town. The rock is 90 feet high and covers three acres.

The formation pudding stone, now in vertical layers, a conglomeration of sand, gravel, flint small boulders and the like cemented together and is as hard as granite, some open seams made it a rendezvous for mountain rats. We climbed to the top by means of a set of wooden stairs. From this viewpoint we could see far up and down the valley, out over the rolling plain to the east and away to the high mountains on the west; getting a good view of many farm buildings and cultivated fields in a country where the average rainfall is 13 inches. The "dry farming" process is followed and with very fair returns for labor and money expended, land selling at that time for four and five dollars per acre. We passed through this country last year in the auto. The Mexican bean seemed to be one of the main crops.

West of Castle Rock many foothills rise from 800 to 1000 feet above the valley. The top of some are level tracts from ten to forty acres. There is a layer of soil on top, then a solid bed of lava rock from 18 to 25 feet thick, covers the area of the mountain. It was good building stone and at that time thousands of car loads were annually shipped out. We walked some two miles across the valley, climbed to summit of one 800 ft high. Here a gang of men were at work. The lava bed was 20 feet thick. The men put in large blasts of powder to break up the formation as there were no seams in this rock. When shattered into large chunks they used hammer and chizze to reduce to desired size. The rock was then loaded on a small car drawn by a mule to the edge of the mountain. There the car was attached to a wire cable that worked in a large horizontal pulley, fixed in a frame something like the old down horsepower. A man controlled the speed of the car with a long lever. The loaded car going down pulls an empty car up. At the base of the mountain the load was dumped into a large car.

These great beds of lava rock did not cool on top of these mountains. The space occupied by these great beds of lava rock were once depressions or lake beds on an elevated plateau, many square miles in extent.

The broad valleys have been formed by the action of water that swept a large portion of the elevated plateau out over the eastern portion of Colorado and some of it much farther.

LeConte states that the erosion from the Rockies would equal the thickness of a mile over the entire Rocky Mountain region.

Readers, if you hope ever to visit the scenic wonders of the West, it will pay you well to read some recent geology suited to the general reader. You will then realize the truth of the following:

"Each rock a volume gilded o'er with age;

Each grain that forms it, is a written page;

Each shell contains a lesson if we seek;

Each pebbled brook with eloquence doth speak."

H. M. FERRIN.

WAR REVIEW

An increasing number of trench raids and patrol conflicts, with more aerial activity and growing artillery exchanges, marked the war operations last week. These activities were confined to the western front, the other areas, except in Russia, being quiescent. In Russia the German invasion, or march, continues. The Germans are driving toward Petrograd, apparently with detached riding columns, and encountering no opposition worthy of the name. The peace delegates from Petrograd have been in Brest-Litovsk several days begging for peace at any price, so low has Russia fallen, but Berlin prefers to postpone the conference until it has reached its military objectives. Hysterical preparations to "defend" Petrograd are said to be under way by the Lenin-Trotsky Government, but there is no prospect that resistance will long endure. The Russian armies have gone to pieces and the valiant Red Guards run away whenever danger threatens. The Japanese are ready to land an army in Vladivostok and take over as much of Russian territory as may be wanted. The rabble government at Petrograd is helpless and panic-stricken, and altogether discredited, but remains in authority because no considerable class of Russians appears willing to do anything except endure humiliations.—State Press in Dallas News.

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Chemical Company Foreman Says He Has Taken New Lease On Life

"Tanlac has simply given me a new lease on life," said O. A. Cook, who lives at Harrisburg, Texas, and is foreman for the Fidelity Chemical Company, while in Kiesling's Drug Store, Houston, recently.

"Before I commenced taking it," he continued, "I was so run-down and miserable a half hour job would tire me as much as a whole day's work does now. My legs were weak and pained me, often suffered with back-ache and indigestion and my nerves were so unstrung that I was irritable and out of sorts all the time. I would get up in the mornings feeling as tired and worn-out as if I hadn't gone to bed and my work was an actual punishment to me.

"I had reached the point where it was necessary for me to do something for myself and I bought Tanlac because I know how it helped my mother over in Georgia. I now sleep sound, eat hearty and can do a hard day's work without feeling it. My legs and back don't hurt me like they did and everything I have to do is a pleasure instead of a burden as it was before. I recommend Tanlac to everybody with those miserable, tired, nervous feelings like I had, for it certainly has straightened me out in fine shape."

Tanlac is sold in Crowell by the Owl Drug Store and in Thalia by Long Bros.

FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Excerpts from an article by the head of Division of Distribution, U. S. Food Administration, also president of the National Wholesale Grocers' Association, which we have been asked to publish.

"In line with the campaign conducted by the Commercial Economy Board of the Council of National Defense, the food retailers have adopted for their standard in wartime a reduction of all deliveries to one a day to any one family or any one route. It means giving up your calls for special deliveries at all hours; it does not mean that you are to give up delivery service entirely and carry all your own packages, but only that you are to keep your demands for deliveries within the very reasonable limit of one each day.

"A word from you may influence your dealer either way on this feature of the war program for his trade. Keep in mind that you are not yet called upon to carry home all your sugar and coffee. Have them delivered, if you like—though doubtless lower prices in the stores which have wholly dispensed with delivery services will prove an attraction to many; but plan your purchases so as to make a minimum demand upon your dealer for delivery service.

"Think over all you need before going to the store or calling on the telephone. Do your ordering early or, better, order today for delivery tomorrow, or still better, order for two or three days at a time. Remember that fear of losing your trade may make your grocer hesitate to institute delivery reforms. Go farther and tell him you would be glad to cooperate with him in a reduction of delivery service.

"Of course it is assumed by the Commercial Economy Board that merchants will promptly pass on to their customers the results of savings through a reduction in delivery service. The public is not invited to cooperate toward reduced services merely to make more money for the dealer and themselves; it is to release men and material for war purposes. On the other hand, you are asked to accept reduced delivery service not primarily because it may save you or anyone else a little money, but because it is a war necessity and a patriotic duty."

OBSERVATIONS OF A GROCERY BOY

Series I—Mrs. Crank, handed to us for publication.

"You know, honess, sometimes, I'm gonna forget my manners and tell some of those darn fool wimmen customers of the boss's just exactly how their battin' average is with me.

"You know Mrs. Crank, don't you? Well, by hek, she is the smallest potato that ever came into our food emporium. T'other day she shoed me outside to scrape off my shoes before I came into her darn kitchen. And then she turned on the Anvil Chorus-record and you ought to heard that sonofagun crab!

You'd a think that \$1.68 worth of groceries I delivered to her was a billion dollar government order—and that we had jipped her on the whole deal. The sugar was short weight. The apples were bruised. The potatoes weren't the ones she'd picked out. The loaf of bread was smaller than any other store in town sold. We had the whole bill figured all wrong. And she supposed if she did pay it, we'd claim she hadn't and she'd haf to pay it all over again. Out side o' that the delivery was all O. K.

"As I clucked at the mare and rat-

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WE have a dandy line of Ladies' Suits and we are anxious that you see these suits, as we believe that we can interest you since prices are about as last year. We now have sizes up to 44 in Ladies' Suits and several suits in the Bishoffs line.

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tled down the street in our old delivery wagon, I just sez to myself—sez I: "There's some folks so doggone hard to please, they'll raise a howl to Saint Peter 'cause only the streets in Heaven is paved with gold and not the alleys, too."

FOOD INFORMATION

By reason of the fact that hogs have for several months been selling at high prices it has induced farmers to hold and feed for heavier weights than usual, also a large crop of damaged corn in the northwest is being fed to hogs. This has considerably increased the supply of meat. So it is not considered necessary to observe so many meatless meals, only Tuesdays are now required.

However, the flour situation cannot improve until a new crop of wheat is ready to grind. So, bear in mind that our friends across the sea are needing every ounce of bread that we can furnish.

J. W. BEVERLY,
County Food Administrator.

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ROBT. E. WATSON, Mgr.

A young lady living in an East Texas town not more than 125 miles from Kemp, received a letter some days ago from her sweetheart, who is a prisoner in Germany. In the letter he stated that he was getting all that he wanted to eat and wear and that the Germans were as kind to him as could be asked for. He also said he was sending his watch as a keepsake, for he might never see her again. Later she got the watch and when she went to wind it, it would

not wind. She carried it to a jeweler and down in the works the man had a note in which he stated that all he had said in the letter was a lie; that his nose and ears had been cut off by the Germans and he would never see her again, for he was a sight that would turn the very strongest stomach into a vomiting fit. The girl who received this letter lives at Nacogdoches and there are people in Kemp who know her, and the story to be a true one.—Kemp News.

Ayersville News
John Short made a trip to Crowell Wednesday.

Miss Metta Ayers made a trip to Vernon Monday.

Jim Owens called at the home of Bill Marlow Sunday.

Frank Hembree called at the J. H. Ayers' home Monday.

G. Davis and family spent Sunday with C. E. Davis and wife.

E. M. Burrow and family spent Sunday with Vernon Pyle and wife.

Mr. Orr, County Demonstrator, lectured at our literary Friday night.

R. L. Pyle of Quannah visited his sister, Mrs. E. M. Burrow, Thursday.

Mrs. Maud Johnston of Thalia visited her mother, Mrs. Sim Gamble, Monday.

This community was visited by one and a half inch rain Friday night and Saturday.

Will Gamble and wife and Mr. Greening and wife spent Saturday and Sunday in Chillicothe.

Walter Rector and wife and Mr. Ferrin and wife called at the home of John Short Sunday evening.

Bill Marlow and wife, Mr. Minard, wife and daughter, Cora, spent Sunday at the home of George Wright.

J. H. Ayers and son, Roy, made a business trip to Horald Monday where J. H. bought seventy-one Hampshire sheep.

Mr. Muller, Edgar Flowers and little brothers, Rudolph and Floyd of Sherman, Texas, visited a few days in the home of C. E. Flowers, returning Friday accompanied by C. E. Flowers and wife.

Mesdames V. A. McGinnis, G. Davis, E. M. Burrow, N. J. Shomate, A. L. McGinnis, E. C. Flowers, Misses Nobie McGinnis, Pearl and Jennie Shomate, Vera Davis and little Ralph enjoyed a good war dinner at the J. B. R. Fox home Wednesday.

[Poem too wide to run with items. We can run it another part of paper later date if you so desire.—Editor] Correspondent.

Eggs \$2.00 per 15, from high-grade Barred Rocks. Cocks from Parkers-bred to lay stock. Satisfaction guaranteed.—Mrs. Lee Ribble.

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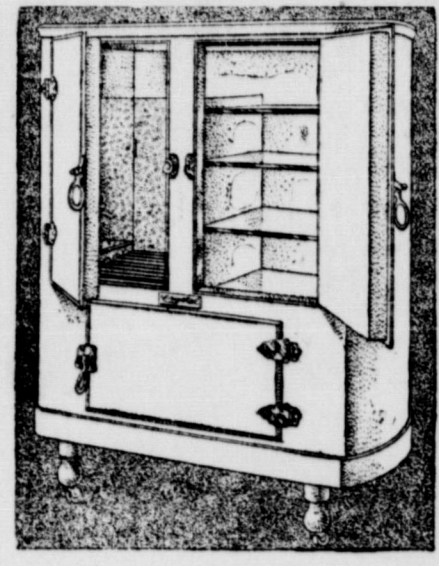
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MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Ladies Missionary Society of the Presbyterian church met in regular session Friday evening, March 1, 1918 with Mrs. C. B. Williams.

Promptly at 8 o'clock the President Mrs. S. O. Woods, called the house to order. We read the 126 Psalm and had sentence prayers. It being the close of our year's work we had an election of officers for the following year. They were as follows: President, Mrs. G. A. Burks; Vice President, Mrs. C. E. Williams; Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. G. H. Patton; Secretary of Literature, Mrs. S. O. Woods; Press Reporter, Mrs. Greer.

Our lesson for the afternoon was the Miracles of Elisha. We are having for our study now the Old Testament and Monthly Missionary Magazines, both Home and Foreign, in connection with the Bible study.—Reporter.

METHODIST CHURCH NOTES

This is a time when our Government and the business world are calling for men and women who are able and willing to work. It is also a day when the church of Jesus Christ is sending out the cry, "Go into the vineyard and work."

The great head of the church said, "Work while it is day for the night cometh when no man can work."

If we treat the call of our country with indifference we are called a slacker. But, what about those who remain idle all the years while the harvest of the world is white and the laborers so few? Some may ask what can I do? First, I would say, open your eyes and look on the fields and you can easily find your task and place to work. Remember none can fill your place in the church. If this be true, and no one can deny it, can we count on you in the Sunday School and prayermeeting, and preaching services?

Don't forget that our church is always open to the old and to the young, to the good and to the bad, to the rich and to the poor. To all we extend a hearty welcome.

J. H. Hamblen, Pastor.

WOODMAN ATTENTION

We have adopted the plan whereby one of the members attending each meeting of the camp will get one month's dues paid. We meet the first and third Friday nights of each month. Be on hand.—S. P. McLaughlin, Clerk.

Canned potatoes, 20 cents per can.—Sandy house very Co.

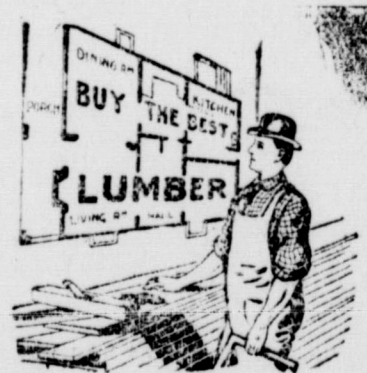
NOTICE

I wish to thank my friends and customers for their patronage during my management of the tin shop and repair business. My loss in the burn-out was complete and those who owe me will accommodate me very much by settling their accounts at the very earliest date. I am now with M. S. Henry & Company in the tinshop and you will find your accounts here.—T. L. Hayes.

As County Federal Food Administrator, I am allowed deputies as needed. So the following who I know to be true and patriotic men have been appointed: A. L. Sloan, Foard City; S. J. Lewis, Vivian; W. L. Johnson, Thalia; J. L. Hunter, Margaret.

J. W. BEVERLY.

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