

## Oil Well Looking Good-- Second Well Rumored

Prospects for good oil in the Cowan well, No. One, just south of Tahoka looks brighter every day as the big drill keeps pushing its way downward through old mother earth. The 12 1/2-inch casing has just been set, cutting off the second strata of very salty bad water. The indications and formation is entirely satisfactory to the company, and with everything favorable they expect to soon bring in the oil.

The Tahoka Oil and Gas Company have been surveying their holdings for the past ten days, establishing their corners, and dividing the sections into forty acre blocks, preparatory to the big rush on lease sales when they bring in the big oil.

It is rumored that another test well is being planned to be started somewhere in Lynn County within a short time. The location is unknown, but let the good work go on.

## Rex King Dies at Electra, Body Shipped Here

Citizens of Tahoka and Lynn County were pained to learn of the death of Rex King, who died at Electra, Texas, on Tuesday, the 10th of December, of influenza-pneumonia. The body was shipped here Wednesday and buried in the Tahoka cemetery, funeral services being conducted at the grave by the Rev. R. F. Dunn, pastor of the Methodist Church.

The young man only recently left his home in the northeast part of the county, for Electra, where he and his father went to obtain employment in the oil fields, and was taken ill immediately after arriving at that place.

At the time of his death he was 20 years of age, and was just budding into strong young manhood when death's sting called him to the home on High.

He is survived by his father and mother, two sisters and two younger brothers.

The News joins in extending to the sorrowing ones its deepest sympathy, and would point them to the One on High, who knows best, and doeth all things well.

John H. King is reported as being quite sick with influenza at Electra, Texas, Mrs. King went to his bedside last week. Neither of the parents could be present at the burial of their son which occurred here Wednesday.

Prof. and Mrs. H. C. Zornes, and children, and Mr. and Mrs. King, came over from Brownfield Wednesday, and were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Nevels while in the city.

BORN—to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. F. Shook, Tuesday, December 10th., a fine girl.

## All Public Gatherings Quarantined

All public gatherings in Tahoka are quarantined indefinitely. This has been done on account of the influenza spreading over our town. Read the proclamation by the Health Officer.

## Church Notes

### METHODIST CHURCH

Regular services at the Methodist church Sunday, morning and evening. Everybody invited to attend.

R. F. DUNN, Pastor.

### CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The Sunday School will observe "The White Gift Christmas" at the Methodist Church, December 24th at 7:00 p. m. A suitable program will be rendered on that occasion. Everybody invited.

R. F. DUNN, Pastor.

We are requested to announce that regular service will be held at the Baptist Church next Sunday morning and evening. The pastor, Rev. Parker, will return from Dallas in time to fill the pulpit during these hours.

LATER—No services will be held at either of the above places on account of the spread of influenza.

County Judge, C. H. Cain, returned the first of this week from Waco, Texas, where he went as a representative of the 93 District of the Masonic Grand Lodge. This district is composed of Garza, Crosby Lubbock and Lynn Counties.

Mrs. W. H. Lasswell and children returned to Post the first of the week after a few days visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Montgomery of this city.

Rev. R. F. Dunn returned in time to fill the pulpit at the Methodist church Sunday. He had been absent several days visiting his children at Meridian and attending the Billie Sunday revival at Fort Worth.

## City of Lubbock Again Under Quarantine

The city of Lubbock is again under quarantine against influenza. Several new cases are reported, and the public schools, churches and all public gatherings have been ordered closed for the rest of the year.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyce Hatchett, Miss Etta Ketter, and the News editor motored over to Lubbock Saturday morning, returning to Tahoka in the afternoon.

Mrs. A. J. Taylor and Miss Ophelia Millman, of Albuquerque, New Mexico, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Millman.

Mr. and Mrs. James H. Dyer, of Slaton, spent Sunday with Mrs. Dyer's brother, Henry Vinson.

S. A. Richmond returned the first of the week from Lubbock where he attend the funeral of Mrs. J. M. Johnson, who died in that city they latter part of last week.

Dr. L. W. Kitchen, of Post, was here yesterday. He placed a card in the News, and anyone desiring the services of a veterinary surgeon will do well to see him. Read his announcement in this issue.

S. W. Joplin and family are moving to Amarillo this week.

## A Proclamation

By the CITY HEALTH OFFICER

By the authority vested in me as City Health Officer and acting under the authority given me by virtue of the city ordinance adopted by the City Council of the city of Tahoka, Lynn County, Texas, adopted the 10th day of October, A. D. 1918, I hereby order the public schools in the city limits of Tahoka, Lynn Co. Texas, and all church meetings and religious meetings, or services of any character, public gatherings of any and all character and kinds, social gatherings, including parties and social gatherings of among the young people, the loitering in public places, including the post office, shows of all kinds, including moving picture shows are hereby prohibited, and all persons are prohibited from going into any public building only when necessary to transact some business and shall remain no longer in said building than is necessary to transact such business and when that business is completed shall immediately leave such public building. Loitering at the postoffice is hereby specially prohibited and person shall remain in the post-office building no longer than is necessary than to go in and at once get mail and transact such other business as is necessary to transact in such building. Children, and young people are hereby prohibited from coming onto the public square or into any public place unless said children or young people are sent there by the orders of their parents or guardians and shall remain no longer in such places than is necessary to transact the business for which their parents or guardians sent them to attend. All persons who have been advised by a reputable physician that they are infected with the Spanish Influenza, shall on the order of the city health officer remain off of the public square and out of the public buildings in the city of Tahoka, Lynn County, Texas, until advised otherwise so to do by the city health officer. All public buildings shall effectively fumigated at least three times a week during this time that this proclamation is in effect. This proclamation to be and go into effect at once and remain in force and effect until the 29th day of December, A. D. 1918, unless sooner revoked.

C. B. TOWNES,  
City Health Officer.

Signed and proclaimed, this  
the 12th day of December, A. D.  
1918, 14-1t

## Letters Written to Old Santa Claus

The following letters have been received by the News to Santa Claus. All the little folks in Tahoka and Lynn County are invited to send in your letters to Santa for publication in the News. Tell him what you want and address your letter to Santa Claus and we will see that he gets it. The letters follow:

Tahoka, Texas, Dec. 6, '18.  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a string of beads. I want a box of candles. I want some sky rockets. I want a box of dates. I want a little fan.  
WILLIE LOIS NEVELS.

Tahoka, Texas, Dec. 7, '18.  
To Santa Claus,  
St. Louis, Mo.,  
Dear Santa:-  
Will you please bring me a doll, sandy andy, a toy sewing machine that will sew. I will not want much this Xmas.  
JUANITA HAYNES.

Tahoka, Texas,  
Dec. 11, 1918.  
Dear Santa:-  
Please bring me a doll with curly hair and sleeping eyes and a buggy. I won't ask much as this is war times.  
Your little friend,  
ONNETTA MILLMAN.

Tahoka, Texas,  
Dec. 11, 1918.  
Dear old Santa:-  
We will endeavor to let you know a few of our wants.  
Estelene and I want a doll, with hair and sleeping eyes; a trunk and bed.  
Buster, my little brother, wants a little horse on wheels, and an auto. We all want nuts, candy, apples and oranges.  
Your little friends,  
JEWELL, ESTELENE AND BUSTER DAVIDSON.

Miss Edna Montgomery returned to Abilene Saturday, where she will resume her course of study in Draughn's Business College.

W. S. (Happy) Smith returned Sunday from Camp Mabry at Austin.

## Tahoka Business Men Take Two-Page Ad

In next week's issue of the News will appear two full page Red Cross advertisements donated and paid for by twelve patriotic Tahoka business firms, six firms to the page. It shows an enterprising spirit on the part of these patriotic citizens and we ask that you remember them when in need of anything in their line. The regular advertisements of these firms will not appear in the issue of next week.

## Sanitary Meat Market Closed Down Sunday.

The Sanitary Meat Market has once more gone out of business in Tahoka, for the lack of patronage. Billie Brandon, who has conducted the business the past few weeks, stated that on account of the high cost of supplies and overhead expenses and the non patronage of the citizens of Tahoka, it did not justify him to continue in the business. It is to be regretted that Tahoka cannot support a meat market, but such seems to be the case. The wagon peddlers seem to be quite numerous of late with fresh meat, but are not regular, at any rate this is the main reason a market cannot thrive in our city. Let's get busy and support a market. A town the size of Tahoka needs such an enterprise.

Sergeant Chas. F. Shook has returned from Camp Stanley, Texas, where he was called several weeks ago to enter the Officers Training School of the Texas National Guard. He reports that the Guard will not be demobilized and will probably be called on for border duty sometime in January.

George Murfee, Auditor for the McAdams Lumber Company, with headquarters at Lubbock, was with the Tahoka yard a few days this week.

Walter Royalty, a Lubbock booster, was in Tahoka a short while last Friday and Saturday.

## New Red Cross Officers-- Plan Big Drive Xmas.

## Red Cross Notes

WE MUST CARRY ON—WORK IS VITAL  
(By Mrs. C. S. Clark)

Public speculation about the future work of the American Red Cross can be answered in such a way as to assure the success of the Red Cross Christmas Roll Call, December 16-23.

Why, the people may ask, is the Red Cross seeing to enroll the entire nation as members, now that the war is won? The answer is conclusive: Because the end of the fighting did not bring with it the end of suffering. Peace rather has revealed greater opportunities of service.

Consider the Balkans. The withdrawal of the enemy from Serbia discloses a degree of starvation, disease and desolation beyond anything imagined. The surrender of Bulgaria also opened the way to Roumania, where the need of Red Cross relief is equally urgent. Russia is a limitless field if the people can be reached in time.

Thus, in addition to the reconstruction work which must go on in France, Belgium and Italy, and the continuance of relief work in Palestine, Armenia, Syria, Poland, Siberia, and other countries helped by the Red Cross during the war, there is a greatly widened field of activity.

The vital thing at this Christmas time is to reassure the victims of the war in all countries that the American Red Cross will carry on.

On Christmas Eve a message should be cabled to our own army and navy, to the fighting men of the Allies, and to the suffering civilians everywhere, that the nation stands unanimously behind the Red Cross spirit. It would be the finest Christmas gift a stricken world could receive.

The Red Cross War council is so confident that the people will get this viewpoint that no quotas have been assigned for the Red Cross Christmas Roll Call. In every community the census figures will be the quota. As the roll is called 22,000,000 present members will answer 'Here' and treble or quadruple that number should join for the first time, so that, with the children comprising the membership of the Junior Red Cross, virtually 100 per cent membership will be recorded.

The Red Cross Christmas Roll Call is not an effort to raise money, for the membership dues are only one dollar for each adult; but if 60,000,000 or 70,000,000 answer the call, the aggregate dues will afford relief on a large scale to millions.

Until the last man in our fighting forces is demobilized the Red Cross will continue to serve in camps, in the field, and in the hospitals with the same full measure of helpfulness. If our own people suffer from earthquake, fire, epidemic, or disaster of any kind, the Red Cross will do what it can.

It would be easy to multiply reasons why popular support of the Red Cross is more imperative now than ever, but enough has been cited to justify to expectation of a mighty response to the Red Cross Christmas Roll Call.

The meeting of the new Executive Committee of the Lynn County Chapter of the Red Cross, met at the Court House Saturday, the 7th., and elected the following officers of the Chapter for the following year:

Chairman—G. E. Lockhart.  
Vice-Chairman—Mrs. J. B. Walker.  
Treasurer—Mrs. F. Weaver.  
Secretary—Mrs. Caviness.

I earnestly urge all to give to the new officers your whole-hearted support, as you have given me while I was your chairman, and continue the work that is needed till time comes to close up the work. Be sure to answer the Christmas Roll Call by renewing your membership, and remember your membership is out December 31st., regardless of what time you joined this year. Membership from now on will run from December 31st to December 31.

B. P. MADDOX,  
Retiring Chairman.

Mr. and Mrs. John Henderson came in Monday from Hale Center and are visiting relatives here this week. This family only recently moved to Hale county from this place, and it is hoped they will see fit to return to old Lynn at an early date and once more become residents of the county.

Mrs. W. E. Penney returned to her home in Lubbock Monday, after a most pleasant visit with her daughter, Mrs. J. E. Stokes, at the Stokes Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Nevels, accompanied by Miss Lottie Boles, spent Sunday at the Nevels ranch in the north part of the county.

## W. O. W.'s Take Notice

The local camp of the Woodmen of the World meets the last Saturday night in each month. All members are urged to attend the next meeting as it is annual election night.

F. W. KNIGHT, Camp Clerk.

Messrs. Pete Brown and Bill Duncan, were in Lubbock on business Tuesday.

County Clerk, Hall Robinson, moved his cattle here this week.

Lonnie Bigham left Wednesday for his home in Colorado.

E. B. Smith is confined to his room this week with influenza.

Mrs. Anthony departed Tuesday morning for Austin, Texas.

Frank M. Maddox, of Lubbock was here Monday on business.

J. N. Adams has returned from a business trip to Abilene.

C. H. Doak was up from O'Donnell the first of the week.

## Public School is Closed for "Flu"

The Public School was closed yesterday on account of the influenza epidemic. The trustees will continue the session on December 30th under the advisability of the City Health Officer.

## A Happy Xmas as Well as A Merry One

Is insured by avoiding fuss and worry at the last Minute. If you will do your shopping now you can get the pick of the stock at—

### THE FAIR

and the shopping expedition is a pleasure instead of an exhausting scramble. OUR STORE HAS SOMETHING FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY.

## THE FAIR

The Store of Quality  
H. M. Larkin, Proprietor  
Southwest Cor. Square. Tahoka, Texas.

### KEEP ON BACKING THE BOYS IN FRANCE

Declaring that "the Government's monetary requirements were never greater nor more pressing than they are today," William G. McAdoo, Secretary of the United States Treasury, telegraphed Louis Lipsitz, State Director of the War Savings Campaign, asking that every possible effort be made to impress upon Texas people the immediate need of the payment of War Savings Stamp pledges and continued investment in these securities.

Secretary McAdoo said "this is not a time for us to relax our efforts and the Treasury Department is making plans for larger and more important work during the year."

The text of the telegram follows: "I most earnestly urge upon you that your organization make every possible effort to the end that pledges for the purchase of War Savings Stamps be fulfilled before the close of the year. The Government's monetary requirements were never greater nor more pressing than they are today. Expenditures for November were greater than in any similar period.

"These expenditures growing out of the war must be met by borrowing from the people and their magnificent response heretofore to the Government's requirements make me confident that they will not fail to continue their support to the end that all payments resulting from war necessities will promptly be met. Much remains to be done. Our brave troops must be maintained and paid until their work is fully accomplished and they are returned to their homes. This is not a time for us to relax our efforts and the Treasury Department is making plans for larger and even more important work during the coming year. Please make every effort to bring this statement before the people of your district and to urge upon them the continued holding of their War Savings Certificates, the fulfillment of their pledges and additional purchases as their means permit.

Commenting on the message, Mr. Lipsitz said:

"The necessity for continued saving and the immediate payment of outstanding War Saving pledges is made most plain by Secretary McAdoo. We of Texas hold the reputation and patriotism of Texas in our keeping. Let us all so manage our affairs that our War Savings Stamp pledges will be fully paid by Christmas; let us all by our work and patriotism make it possible for Texas to tell Secretary McAdoo Christmas morning that this State has done what the Government has asked of it and that its people are going to keep on saving and lending.

"The boys over there had for their slogan 'out of the trenches by Christmas;' they have made that slogan come true. Let us over here make our slogan 'all War Savings pledges paid by Christmas' and let us make it come true as the fighting men did theirs."

### 100,000 MEN TO BE DISCHARGED BY NAVY

Washington, Dec. 5.—Discharge of 20 per cent of the navy's wartime personnel, about 100,000 men, has been authorized. Secretary Daniels said today the men would be released as quickly as possible, with due regard to the convenience of the service.

Private yachts, motor boats and other craft taken over by the navy for the war already are being turned back to their owners. Mr. Daniels said by February 700 craft will have been stricken from the navy list.

The release of enlisted men is authorized, not because the navy is overmanned, but to permit the return to civil pursuits of youths who joined for the war and who do not intend to follow the sea.

Members of naval units in schools and colleges will complete their training and then stand discharged. In the cases of special student bodies, such as paymasters' school at Princeton, and the Ensigns' schools at Annapolis, students in the present classes upon graduation will be commissioned in the reserve.

### LIQUOR INJUNCTION SUITS ARE HEARD AT AUSTIN

Austin, Texas, Dec. 5.—The two Fort Bend County liquor injunction suits brought in the Fifty-Third District Court of this county, by Attorney General Looney, were heard before Judge Calhoun today. Judge Calhoun did not announce a decision, granting time to the Attorney General in which to file briefs. Judge Calhoun said he would not announce his decision until next week.

The defendants in the suit were some time ago temporarily enjoined from selling, receiving, delivering and transporting intoxicating liquors. The cases came up today on final hearing.

The German olive branch is kin to the prickly pear.

### HOOVER'S MESSAGE IS READ IN AMERICA

Washington, Dec. 1.—America's "food conservation week for world relief" opened today with an appeal from Food Administrator Hoover, which was read in the churches over the country.

Mr. Hoover, who is now in Europe arranging for food supplies for the populations of that country, said the people of the United States now have opportunity for renewed service to mankind by helping through conservation of food here to feed 300,000,000 hungry people in Northern France, Belgium, Central Russia, Southern Europe, Poland and Armenia.

The Food Administrator also discussed the pledge given last summer to the Inter-Allied Food Council by the American Government to meet the food program of the allies, and said the ending of the war does not release the American people from that pledge.

"The same populations must be fed," the message read, "and until another season has passed they can not feed themselves.

"In addition to the supplying of those to whom we are already pledged, we now have the splendid opportunity and obligation of meeting the needs of those millions of people in the hitherto occupied territories who are facing actual starvation.

"America, by her participation in the war, has accomplished her objectives of self-defense and of vindicating the efficiency of a Government in which the people, and the people only, are sovereign. She has established the foundations of government by the people throughout the enemy countries and this is the real bulwark of world peace. We have yet to build up these foundations. No Government nor nation can stand if its people are starving. We must do our part if the world be not consumed in a flame of anarchy."

### GERMANS WILL NOT GET CLOTHING SENT BELGIANS

Stories have been afloat lately, inspired perhaps by German propagandists, that clothing to be collected for the Commission for Relief in Belgium by the American Red Cross for distribution by the commission to the civilians in Belgium and the occupied regions of northern France, will fall ultimately into German hands.

The following telegram has been sent out by the Red Cross at its Washington headquarters. It is suggested that the public be on the alert for anything that looks like enemy propaganda throughout the campaign of gathering old clothing for the destitute French and Belgians.

"All clothing collected in America for Belgians is consigned to the office of the Commission for Relief in Belgium at Rotterdam, Holland. It is placed in sealed barges and sent into Belgium to Neutral Holland-Spanish Committee which, working under protection of Holland-Spanish ministers in Brussels, controls final distribution of this clothing to Belgian civilians and accounts to commission for every article of clothing sent it. Absolutely none of the clothing falls into German hands.

"HERBERT HOOVER."

### INFLUENZA RE-APPEARS IN SCURRY COUNTY

Snyder, Texas, Dec. 2.—Local doctors report recurrence of the influenza epidemic in this county and state that it is in more violent form than before.

We remembered the Maine, we remembered the Lusitania, but we must not forget that we still have ships on the seas.

The Kaiser wanted more territory so we gave him Hell.

## Only Ten More Shopping Days Before Christmas

We have a limited stock of nice present for Xmas: Ivory Goods, Cut Glass, Jewelry and Clocks.

A big line of Dolls from 10c to \$1.50.

Come in this week if possible.

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### A WAR SAVING STAMP IN EVERY STOCKING

A war savings stamp in every stocking Christmas is the desire of the Government, which is now urging through the War Savings Committee that the season's greetings be made by giving these securities in the place of remembrances usually given.

"The best Christmas present one American can give to another are war savings stamps and the best Christmas gift that Texas can give to President Wilson is the assurance that we have completed our \$91,000,000 quota." Louis Lipsitz, State Director of the War Savings Committee said. "I hope that everyone will bear in mind the Government's request and make this a real war savings Christmas."

### WILSON MAY NOT BE DELEGATE AT PEACE CONFERENCE

President Wilson probably will not sit at the peace table but will be represented by delegates, while remaining in close contact with the heads of the other nations and prepared to decide questions referred to him.

### PLAN RAILROAD LINE THRU TEXAS OIL BELT

Austin, Dec. 6.—Articles of incorporation of the Cisco & Northwestern Railway Company were approved and filed today in the office of the Secretary of State. The capital stock is \$500,000, divided into 5,000 shares of \$100 each, and headquarters will be at Cisco, Eastland County.

The proposed road is to be seventy miles long and run from Cisco through Eastland, Stephens and Young Counties to Graham, Young County. All the directors reside in Eastland County.

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## Bradley Auto Company

TAHOKA, TEXAS

## The Family Newspaper

must contain something that is of interest to every member of the family. What appeals to father does not necessarily interest mother and what gets mother's attention may not get a glance from 16-year-old Mary, and as for Bill--well, he has his own ideas about reading.

Examine the label on your paper each week. Do not get in arrears with your subscription.

## The Lynn County News

Something that will interest father and mother and Mary and Bill is included every week in

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The Guaranty State Bank, Tahoka, Texas

## Letters From Our Soldier Boys

A. E. F., Le Croisic, France, November 14, 1918.  
Dear Mother and family:-

At last the war is over, the victory won. When we received the news everybody began to celebrate. I suppose the world never saw so many nations and so many people celebrating at the same time and for the same cause. Of all countries, France had more cause to celebrate, and she celebrated in proportion. This is a small town, probably

three thousand people, but they celebrated like a big city. It was one of the most interesting sights I ever witnessed.

In France the wine shops are more numerous than the cold drink stands in our own country. These people frequent these shops as our people do cold drink stands, only here everyone thinks they must go, and in America everyone can go. It is a part of the Frenchman's life. It is more than his bread. However, never saw a drunk Frenchman, until the celebration, and then none of them what we term dog drunk. Nevertheless it was one grand stew party. When a Frenchman gets drunk it has a very different effect on him than it has on our people. He is more courteous, more genteel, more democratic, and loves everybody. He never yells out loudly and never wants to fight or start a rough house. While Americans, as you know, are ex-

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H. B. HOWELL, PROP. TAHOKA, TEXAS

actly the opposite.

Well, the show started with a parade, then some kind of church services, at a wonderful old eighteenth century cathedral and then the cafes and wine shops begin to fill, and then to overflow. They would seat themselves around tables, each one buying his own drinks, and after they were well organized, each one would rise in his turn and sing a song. When the singer had finished they gave him a rousing hand clap, but in a peculiar manner. They are supposed to all begin at the same time and clap in rithmical fashion, like two long claps and three short ones. They did this a certain number of times and all were to cease at the same time. If one claps one more time he has to rise and sing. When the individuals ran out of songs, they all joined on their national anthem "Marseellies".

This wild joyous throng was interesting to look at. The old men and women, children, soldiers, sailors, officers, aristocrats, the well dressed, and the shabby, all sat at the same table.

I talked to several fellows that were in Paris at this time. The stories they told of the unusual sights were eye openers. Paris, no doubt, has seen the world's most riotous mobs, but none like this one, so they say. I would have given most anything to have been there.

I came here three days ago, just the day before the fighting ceased. I never got to fly on foreign service. Was just detailed here at the end of fighting. It was very discouraging after the long strenuous training; but I should worry now. The war is over, I did my bit, had my flying in America; made good in all my courses; had some wonderful training, and have my life and my limbs and my health.

I don't know what will become of me now. I still belong to the navy and may have to finish my four years enlistment. I am hoping that I will be released soon, but no one knows what will be my lot. However, I don't expect to get to America earlier than six months at the very least, and probably not for a year or two. I look for the soldiers to be sent home first and everything finished up and closed up before the sailors are released.

At present I am standing watch as wireless operator,

and like the work fine. I have four hours on duty and twelve off. This is a good station and everything could be no more agreeable.

It is almost time for me to go to work again;—picking words off from no where. It is really interesting work. I get all the news before anyone else. However, some of it doesn't do me much good since it comes in some foreign language. I can catch it, but have to have it translated.

I must say goodbye for this time. Love to all.

Your son,  
R. C. MONTGOMERY,  
U. S. N. Air Station, Le Croisic, France, care P. M., New York.

Somewhere in France  
November 8, 1918.

Mrs. Addie Blankenship,  
Plains, Texas,

Dear Mother:-  
I will write you a few line this morning. This leaves me well and doing fine, and I hope this finds all well at home.

Well mother, I am sorry you have not been getting my letters but I have been getting yours.

I have been over the top, and I got acquainted with the Huns, and back in camp now, without a scratch, but I had some close calls I can tell you, but I think this little thing will come to an end before long, but if it don't, Uncle's boys will end it. Mother I have been made Corporal since I left the front, and I am going to do my best as a Corporal.

You sent me Fred Hensley's address, but I saw him just a few days ago, and I am sorry to say that he did not know me, but I sure was glad to see him.

Well, as I am the same as usual, not much of a hand to write, I will close, hoping to hear from you in a few days.  
CORP. LONNIE F. BLANKENSHIP,  
Co. C., 141st Inf., 71 Brig. USA.

### NOTICE

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### A QUESTION FOR REPUBLICANS TO CONSIDER

Various reasons are given why the resolutions introduced in Congress declaring the presidential office vacant as a result of Mr. Wilson's tour abroad cannot be adopted and cannot be made effective, even as the basis of a lawsuit, if passed, by anything less than a two-thirds vote.

With Democratic majorities in both houses, to say nothing of a respectable element on the Republican side that is not disposed to follow humbly a leadership like that of Senator Sherman, which is clearly malicious, the prospect of favorable action is remote indeed.

Even if some such measure should command a majority of Congress, it would not become a law until signed by the President, and it is understood that, except in a great emergency, the Vice-President and Speaker of the House are not to attest the passage of any bill or resolution until the President returns. It is pointed out also that Democrats as well as Republicans are expert filibusters, and, furthermore, that, even if Congress should agree to some kind of legislative violence, such as ignoring a veto executed in a foreign country, the courts would be heard from with emphasis; and, finally, that one Thomas Riley Marshall, in whose person every one of these mighty enterprises center, is no more likely to lend himself to usurpation than he is to become a candidate for one of the vacant European thrones.

All these things stand in the way of the plans of the Shermans, but there is one more, and that is the most important of all, which is the law-abiding character of the American people, their capacity for self-government and their inveterate hatred of everything having the appearance, to say nothing of the reality, of trickery, treachery and turmoil in Government.

Gentlemen at Washington who fail to reckon with this fact are going to make the mistake of their lives, whether the President's absence is wise or unwise.

We suppose that in a body having a membership so numerous as that of Congress there must necessarily be several characters like Lawrence Y. Sherman, subject to few restraints of judgment or propriety. In most cases the performances of such persons involve only themselves and they alone bear the odium of their folly or vindictiveness. In this instance, however, the purpose is to make the Republican party responsible for the contemplated disorder, and, unless the real leaders of that organization are heard from pretty soon, the effort may be successful in a way.

The President's departure being lawful, it cannot be outlawed after the fact. The absence of any law on the subject is the fault of Congress alone. Frantic Republican partisans who, with any excuse, undertake now by legislative pronouncements patterned after the recipes of Diaz and Carranza, to revolutionize this Government of the United States should be disciplined, first of all, by their own organization, which is in greater danger from such excesses than the Government, as everybody must admit. That they will be judged eventually by Americans, without respect of party, is certain.

Our people as a whole are exceedingly patient, but they will not tolerate the Shermans. Representative Mann has seen the light, and Republicans generally may as well grasp truth now as later.—St. Louis Post Dispatch.

### OFFICERS GIVEN PERMIT TO WEAR UNIFORMS 90 DAYS

Washington, Dec. 3.—Reserve officers were today authorized by the war department to wear their uniforms for three months after their transfer to the inactive list.

The department today rescinded its order requiring soldiers upon discharge to account for all articles of wearing apparel issued by the American Red Cross and other charity organizations.

### MARVIN JONES RESUMES SEAT IN CONGRESS

Washington, Dec. 2.—Representative Jones, who has been a private in the Tank Corps in camp at Raleigh, N. C., today obtained his discharge and resumed his status as a member of the House of Representatives from Texas. His outfit had its orders for overseas duty at the time the armistice was signed.

### DEATHS FROM WAR AND FROM DISEASE

Disease and not war is death's favorite and most efficient agent. We shall be reminded of this trite fact by the announcement of the Public Health Service that there have been between 300,000 and 350,000 deaths in this country from influenza and pneumonia since Sept. 15. That is from three to four times the number of soldiers we have lost in war, according to the latest estimate. It is to be remarked, too, that our loss of less than 100,000 lives in war is the result of six or eight months' actual fighting, whereas the loss of from 300,000 to 350,000 lives from influenza and pneumonia reported by the Public Health Service is the record of only two and a half months. Of course the number of lives exposed to war is much less than the number of lives exposed to this disease, but it is equally a just remark that the war is ended, whereas the disease epidemic is not. It is within the range of possibilities that influenza and pneumonia have taken a larger toll of life in one year than war has taken in four. Even the life loss which England, France and Germany have suffered as a result of four years' fighting may not be greatly in excess of that which they have suffered within the last year as a result of the influenza epidemic. The world stands horrified as it contemplates the ravage of war, unmindful that human life is more ruthlessly ravaged by disease. Of course the financial loss which war entails is much greater than that which disease inflicts during an equal time, but the difference is probably much less than is popularly supposed. Our Government alone, it is stated, has incurred liabilities of more than \$170,000,000 as a consequence of deaths among our soldiers from influenza and pneumonia. It insured their lives against death from both war and disease, and the amount which it will have to pay on the account of disease exceeds that which it will have to pay on the account of war. Add the huge sum which the life insurance companies will have to pay, and again to this total the amount of uninsured loss, and there will be an aggregate at least comparable with the aggregate war loss. Statesmen are spending themselves in the effort to save the world the ravages of war, and the world applauds the effort with a fervor born of a full appreciation of war's ravages; but it is hardly sensible of how much a greater foe is disease.

Perhaps the statistics would show otherwise, but we venture to say, at a guess, that no epidemic this country has ever had has been so destructive of life as has this which is still with us. That we have remained so little perturbed through it all shows how easily we become engrossed and preoccupied with what is spectacular. The Public Health Service reports that deaths are much less numerous now than in the early days of the epidemic. Whether this is because the disease has become less malignant or because physicians have learned from their experience better methods of treatment is an interesting question.—Dallas News

### OUR EXEMPTION BOARDS DESERVE APPRECIATION

One special class of our citizens has done patriotic duty of the highest importance. They have not had much publicity nor have they received very much praise. We understand that they are now to be disbanded in their official capacity, and we feel that a word of appreciation is due them. We refer to our exemption boards.

Their service has been a difficult one, calling for quick discrimination and excellent judgment. Many of the men appointed have carried out the work at the sacrifice of their own private interests. They have had to deal with men of every kind, rich and poor—the patriot, the slacker, the conscientious objector.

Yet how little criticism of them there has been—how few accusations of unfairness! The overwhelming majority of these men have performed their duty with strict honesty, great fairness and infinite patience and kindness. Many young men are grateful to the members of their exemption board for fatherly interest and kind advice. The influence of the boards has been strongly for good.

The nation owes a debt of gratitude to these real and unostentatious patriots.

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### LLOYD GEORGE SAYS BRITAIN TO RETAIN HER NAVY

Bristol, Dec. 11.—The war bill of the allies against Germany is 24,000,000 pounds, according to the prime minister, David Lloyd George, who presented this and other interesting facts before a large gathering here today. The cost of the war to Great Britain was eight billion pounds.

Before the war the estimated wealth of Germany, said the premier, was between 15,000,000,000 and 20,000,000,000 pounds sterling. So, if the whole wealth of Germany were taken, there would not be enough to pay the account. Therefore, he had used the words: "Germany should pay to the utmost limit of her capacity."

When the premier was addressing an overflow meeting, he said Great Britain would be guilty of a great folly if she gave up her navy.

A voice interrupted: "Then watch Wilson."

"Well, I hope to meet him in a fortnight. I will tell him what you say."

"Wherever the request comes from we are not going to give up the protection of the navy, so far as Great Britain is concerned."

### Q. A. & P. MAY NOW EXTEND TO PLAINVIEW

Since they have taken that road over the Denver officials are discussing the need of connecting the Q. A. & P. with the Santa Fe on the Plains. It certainly would bring lots of business to that road.—Quanah Tribune-Chief, Nov. 29.

The Quanah, Acme & Pacific railroad runs from Quanah to Roaring Springs, just below the caprock east of Floydada. Several years ago it asked a bonus of about \$100,000 to build into Plainview. About \$90,000 was subscribed here, but the European war came on and the matter was dropped. The road proposed to build a line via Floydada and Lockney to Plainview, or to build to Floydada and run trains from that point into Plainview over the Santa Fe tracks.—Plainview News.



### WILSON TO STAY ABROAD MONTH TO SIX WEEKS

Brest, Dec. 13 (Delayed).—President Wilson plans to stay in Europe a month or six weeks. He hopes to return to the United States not later than the latter part of February. Should exigencies at home demand it, he will not hesitate to hasten back to Washington before that time.

The President feels his presence in Washington before the adjournment of Congress will be imperative, so he may keep necessary legislation from lying through the pocket veto system.

Mr. Wilson is physically fitter than he has been for several years. The sea voyage was of visible benefit to his health. He held to a simple diet throughout the trip and took plenty of exercise.

### LIFE'S CONTRASTS.

By Geo. M. Huft, Lubbock, Texas

We see a grand palacious home,

Build by the Millionaire,

With gilded dome and frescoed walls,

Prepared with skillful care.

Thou beautiful to look upon,

We find indifference there,

Where true devotion is unknown,

And joyous notes are rare.

For in that mansion where he dwells,

Affection has grown cold,

And all thru life, his mission is,

To gather in the gold.

His family ties are naught to him,

Absorbed in business care,

And going home at even-tide,

A servant greets him there.

Again we see the modest home,

With blessings to bestow,

Where ivy vines creep on the walls,

And climbing roses grow.

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### TEXAS STATE TROOPS COMMENDED BY BAKER

Austin, Texas, Dec. 9.—Secretary of War Newton D. Baker in a letter to Governor Hobby, received today, explains the reasons why the newly organized troops of Texas can now be taken into Federal service, and also takes occasion to compliment Texas on the patriotism and enthusiasm displayed in forming the organizations. Secretary Baker wrote as follows:

"As you remember, the original authority given by the War Department for organization of six regiments of cavalry and three regiments of infantry recently completed in your State, was with a view of supplying a border patrol to take care of the international boundary between the United States and Mexico, thus releasing United States regular regiments on that duty for service overseas.

"At that time the plan offered a valuable method of performing a necessary duty and augmenting our fighting force abroad by the regular regiments thus set free. The patriotism and enthusiasm displayed by your State in forming these organizations was highly commendable. It is a long and exacting task to organize from the zero point such a force as Texas produced, handicapped as it was by lack of trained officers, but it was carried through most creditably.

"The cessation of the hostilities and the signing of an armistice, the terms of which deprived the enemy of ability to resume the war on a dangerous scale, call for immediate reduction of the enormous military expense. One of the obvious means to which end is the immediate stoppage of inducting additional troops and the rapid demobilization of those already in service.

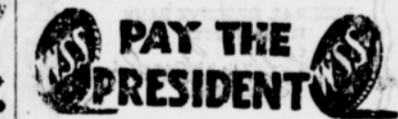
"The disappointment of the officers and men of Texas regiments is realized, and the undersigned sympathizes with them in their disappointment at not seeing active service, as he does with thousands of other enthusiastic and patriotic officers and men whose only service was in training camps in this country. I trust that you will fully realize the necessity of the ruling of the War Department in this matter."

### PRESIDENT GOES ASHORE ONE HOUR AFTER ANCHORAGE

One hour after the George Washington anchored, President Wilson stepped ashore. This is the first time an American president had trod European soil. The President left Brest for Paris at four o'clock Friday afternoon. The day's first ray of sunshine fell across the George Washington as she anchored while huge reproduction of the statue of Liberty on shore brilliantly illuminated the ship as the sun broke through the clouds.

### EX-KAISER BILL SHADOWED BY DETECTIVES

Several score of detectives, the pick of the former Kaiser's force of sleuths at Potsdam, are staying at Amerongen shadowing Herr Hohenzollern's every move. Herr Hohenzollern is said to be in constant dread of bomb throwers and always carries a small revolver.



Not a single soldier was put to death during the war for military crime, according to statistics of the Government. But few death sentences were imposed and none of them were carried out.

Americanism is spelled with W. S. S.

### NEW TAX LAW TO BE ASKED OF LAWMAKERS

The next Legislature will be asked to revise the present system of taxation by an amendment to the Constitution, if necessary, providing for the creation of a tax commission. A resolution to this effect was adopted by the Tax Assessors' Association Wednesday afternoon. The resolution was passed by the convention after discussion begun Tuesday and in which several representatives from Bexar county were called in to express their opinion.

Assessor, after assessor, in attendance at the thirteenth annual convention of the association, was unanimous in speaking for the measure. The faults of the present system as shown by the assessors, is the fact that it does not provide for proper equalization. Comptroller Terrell also made issue of this point, giving a comparison of assessment on sheep in various counties, the assessments varying from \$1 to \$7.

The resolution as adopted, was drawn by Albert V. Huth, Bexar county; S. D. Shannon, Tarrant county, and Paul Hokekamp, Kendall county, a special committee appointed for the purpose. It follows:

"Whereas, since enactment of the full rendition law in 1907 and where as some have reasonably complied with same, and other flagrantly refused to do so, has created a condition of inequality of rendition values greater than that existing prior to enactment of full rendition law, and whereas, the results of these conditions are such that many counties in the State are paying twice as much State taxes as adjoining counties of same conditions and same property, and whereas, believing that such conditions are unfair and unjust and should not exist, and whereas, the statute is wholly inefficient to enforce the provisions of the Constitution, of taxation:

"Therefore, be it resolved, that we, as tax assessors in convention assembled, do recommend and urge the coming Legislature to amend said law, and provide for the creation of a State Board of Equalization or State Tax Commission, consisting of at least three members whose duty shall be to make full investigation of the true market value of all property in the State and make adjustments of existing inequalization; and it shall be the further duty of said board to give thorough investigation of the needs and welfare of the different departments and eleemosynary institutions of the State and to prepare and furnish a budget to the Governor and the Legislature.

"Be it further resolved that the president of the association appoint a legislative committee, composed of five or more members to urge the passage of said measure, and that the secretary of the association be instructed to write each assessor of the state, urging him to use every effort with his representative in the passage of the same; and be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Governor."

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