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LIGHTER-THAN-AIR MACHINE TO CROSS

Mineola, N. Y., July 6.—Great Britain's superdirigible, R-34, the first lighter than air machine to cross the Atlantic, anchored here at Roosevelt flying field at 9:45 a.m. today (1:54) after an aerial voyage of 108 hours and 12 minutes, which covered 5,634 miles.

Passing through dense banks of clouds with the sun and sea visible only at rare intervals, the R-34 was forced to cruise 3,690 miles to reach Trinity Bay, N.F. from East Fortune, Scotland, and 1,944 miles from there to Mineola. When the super-Zeppelin arrived here she had left only enough petrol to keep her moving ninety minutes longer. Her crew, almost sleepless for four and a half days, were weary almost to the point of exhaustion but happy at the successful completion of their epoch-making trip. The return voyage will be started Tuesday at 8 pm.

Notice to Public

I have fine roasting ears for sale. Come and get them now.
G. F. Holland.

No. 354

Official Statement of the Financial Condition of
First State Bank, Trent, Texas
at the close of business on the 30th day of June 1919, published in the Merkel Mail, a newspaper printed and published at Merkel, state of Texas, on the 11th day of July, 1919.

RESOURCES

Loans and dis., personal or collateral	\$57,545.44
Loans, real estate	2,481.06
Overdrafts	12.90
Bonds and Stocks	3,700.00
Furniture and fixtures	1,875.00
Due from approved reserve agents, net	7,406.18
Due from other banks and bankers, subject to ck., net	3,307.99
Cash items	770.15
Currency	4,931.00
Specie	566.18
Int. and Assessment Depts' Gty. Fund	1,294.38
Other Resources as follows:	
Advances on Cotton	13,086.84
Total	\$96,266.12

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in	\$ 10,000.00
Surplus fund	10,000.00
Undivided profits, net	15,277.96
Individual Deposits Sub. to Check	55,416.39
Time Certificates of Deposit	125.00
Cashiers checks	146.77
Bills Payable and Rediscounts	5,000.00
Total	\$96,266.12

State of Texas, County of Taylor:
We, J. T. Warren as president, and L. E. Adrian as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

J. T. Warren, President,
L. E. Adrian, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of July A. D., 1919.
Thos Johnson
Notary Public Taylor County, Texas.
Correct—Attest: R. B. Johnson { Directors
E. D. Teuton {
G. F. West

Modern Barber Shop

Pate Barber Shop installed a 4 section combination mirror in their shop this week. Only recently they put in four new chairs.

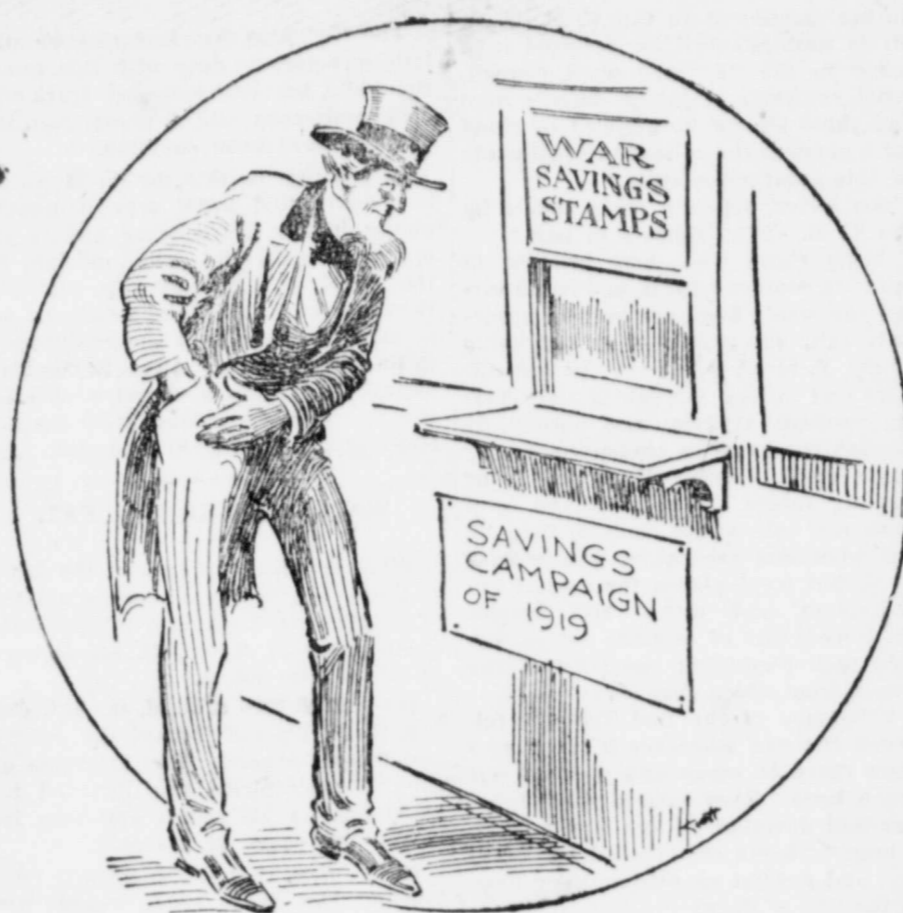
This plant is now one of the most modern and attractive in all this section. J. M. Pate, proprietor, is full of enterprise and determined to have a plant second to none. He has enjoyed a good business since locating here and is highly optimistic as to the future.

Rev. Dooley Accepts Pastorate.

Rev. C. C. Doley has accepted the pastorate of the Presbyterian church and, with his wife and family, arrived on the ground last Thursday. He was pastor of the church here for a couple of years ago for a brief period but during that time greatly endeared himself to his congregation. The Baptist congregation joined the Presbyterian congregation last Sunday evening in giving him a hearty welcome back to Merkel.

Rev. Dooley is a hard worker, full of enthusiasm and a man of such genial disposition as to easily arouse and cement friendships that are not easily dissolved.

TAKING NO CHANCES!



By investing your money in War Savings Stamps, you are taking no chances. The Government guarantees their constant increase in value and that you can always get what you have invested, with accrued compound interest, on ten days' written notice to the postmaster. But if you hold them to maturity they are worth the most. 1919 W. S. S. mature in 1924. Save! Have you bought your Thrift Stamp today?
W.S.S.

A Glorious Fourth

The population of Merkel and surrounding country was much in evidence for the Fourth of July activities at Abilene. All the visitors seemed to enjoy the day very much. The entertainment provided was in every way equal to the occasion. The soldier boys were out in almost their full strength. A dinner was served, the memory of which will last with the days of life of those who enjoyed its variety. Everything was provided to tempt the appetite to maneuver as it had never done before, and by the time the meal was ended, everyone seemed entirely satisfied. The fight returns and a number of addresses were given in the afternoon. The day was in accord with its great purpose, to do the boys who had donned the uniform and risked their lives to preserve the liberty of their country.

The hospitality of Abilene is to be commended. She did herself proud. This beautiful city of the West is just bound to keep abreast of prosperity and advancement. In the years to come she will be one of the real big cities of West Texas.

Wheat sacks at Crown Hardware Co.

DEMPSEY WINS THE CHAMPIONSHIP

Ringside, Toledo, Ohio, July 4.

—Jack Dempsey in three bloody rounds, during which the issue was never in doubt, attained the world's premier fistic honors by defeating Jess Willard. In the first round Dempsey sent home a body blow from which the big fellow never recovered. The gong alone saved him from defeat in this round, for with swollen cheeks, right eye closed, Dempsey knocked him down or threw him helpless against the ropes seven times. Dempsey thought he had won when the gong sounded and had to be brought back into the ring.

Willard, who towered above his antagonist like a lighthouse over a tug, acted like a sick man. He was beaten and he knew it. He swung wildly and feebly, while his relentless antagonist sent homeblows like a riveting machine. There were cries of "stop it; it's murder." Jess managed to last out the third round and sank into his corner, where he was given spirits of ammonia. He revived, tried to smile and then his seconds surrendered the match.

Willard said: "In the first round when Dempsey hit me with a left hook, I tried hard to continue, but I was rapidly losing my strength. My eye was closed at the end of the third round and I realized it would be useless to continue and I could hardly see. It is hard to admit defeat, but Dempsey is the hardest puncher I ever faced."

Jack Kearns, manager of the new champion, said:

"Jack is a real champion. He knocked Willard out twice. They gave us the fight in the first round, then brought us back with the bell and Jack got him in the third. Dempsey will be a popular champion."

Dempsey said: "I told you I would knock him out in the first round and to all intents and purposes that is what I did. He took a lot of punishment in the next two rounds but was so feeble that I hated to have to hit him."

Dr Anna Shaw Dies

Philadelphia, July 2.—Dr Anna Howard Shaw, honorary president of the Woman's Suffrage association, died at her home in Moylan, Pa., near here, at 7 o'clock this evening. She was 71 years old.

THE BRIGHT OIL PROSPECTS

The Sears well is down 1798 feet and in as fine formation as possible without showing oil or gas. Account of a broken bit drilling is suspended until another bit can be secured.

The Bland well is being equipped in the most modern fashion and is about ready to spud in.

Everything is being put in readiness for starting operations on the Butman well. The Sinclair people are interested in this well.

No new developments have taken place at the Trent well.

Help Wanted

A reliable woman without children, to do kitchen work. Good pay to right party.
Woodrum Hotel.

For fresh Groceries and right prices see A. L. Jobe. 4t2c

Bring your eggs and butter to Rogers Grocery. 11t2

Wheat sacks at Crown Hardware Co.

Look clean and comfortable at all times by keeping your clothes clean and pressed at The Cash Tailor Shop. Phone 180.

Our Plant Crippled

Our linotype machine is crippled, greatly hampering our work. Those who have notices for the paper the coming week will greatly assist us in turning in their notices early.

The Adair Meeting begins Sunday Get it on Your Program

The first service will be held Sunday evening at 9:00 o'clock. This meeting is for everybody. Get into it from the start. If you are interested in evangelizing the whole Merkel community lend a hand and help make this a great success. Every possible comfort will be provided for the attendants.

COME COME

MERKELS LARGEST BANK

STATEMENT Farmers State Bank MERKEL, TEXAS

Close of Business June 30, 1919

RESOURCES	
Loans	\$278,893.24
Banking House	8,150.00
Other Real Estate	1,242.80
Furniture and Fixtures	3,850.00
Stocks, Bonds and W. S. S.	704.04
Assessment & Int. Guaranty Fund	3,494.89
CASH AND EXCHANGE	74,028.01
	\$370,362.98
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock	\$ 35,000.00
Surplus and Profits	31,668.65
DEPOSITS	193,111.67
Rediscouunts	20,582.66
Bills Payable	90,000.00
	\$370,362.98

The above statement is correct.
R. O. ANDERSON, Cashier

Note our Increase in Deposits—Ask our customers—There's a Reason

"UNTHINKABLE" SAYS DANIELS

Secretary of the Navy Nonplused at Criticism of Y. M. C. A.—Proved Heroism.

The war work of men in the uniform of the Red Triangle who followed the flag wherever it went proved their heroism and devotion on the battle front and were always present to serve and comfort the American fighting men, says Josephus Daniels, secretary of the navy, will remain an enduring monument to the Y. M. C. A. "It is unthinkable," he declared in a letter to the "Y" war work council, "that criticism of minor defects here and there should be allowed to cloud for a moment the splendid record made by this great association."

His letter, recently made public by the Y. M. C. A., follows in part:

"Only those who were brought in intimate contact with it, and could survey the whole field, are able to appreciate fully the great extent and value of the Y. M. C. A.'s work for our soldiers and sailors. In camps and training stations, at home and abroad, at the fighting front, on transports and at naval bases, it cheered and aided our fighting forces. Its halls and huts were not only social centers, furnishing wholesome recreation and amusement, but were places for mental improvement and moral refreshment. They were bits of America set on foreign soil, reminding the boys of the homes from which they came.

"The men of the Red Triangle followed the flag wherever it went, and were there to serve and comfort our brave boys. They proved their heroism and devotion on the battle front, a number being commended for bravery, and several sacrificing their lives in the line of duty.

"It is unthinkable that criticism of minor defects here and there should be allowed to cloud for a moment the splendid record made by this great association. No big undertaking was ever carried out without some imperfections, and no organization engaged in such a stupendous work, employing so many men over a vast area, could expect to carry it through without making some mistakes. But so far as I have been able to determine, these have been few and hardly enough to be considered in comparison with the magnificent service rendered.

(Signed) "JOSEPHUS DANIELS."

We have a good house for sale cheap. It can be torn down or moved. Make fine granary or barn or addition to house.
Merkel Realty Company.

GREAT SUM SPENT FOR BOYS ON RHINE

Y. M. C. A. Turns Loose More Than \$200,000 for Athletic Equipment.

More than \$200,000 worth of athletic equipment has been distributed throughout the Third army in the Rhineland by the Y. M. C. A. athletic department in six weeks for use either in games for recreation or training leading up to championship competitions.

The "Y" also has assigned 40 athletic directors to duty with this army. Footballs, baseball material, track and field equipment and a great quantity of suits have been supplied.

In addition to this the Y. M. C. A. has distributed 1,200 sets of boxing gloves in the Third army and is co-operating with the army officials in the A. E. F. championship contests. Boxing bouts have become almost as popular as theatrical entertainments in the Rhine forces. About 24,000 men attend the six bouts staged weekly by the "Y" at Coblenz and 9,000 the six bouts staged weekly at Neuweid.

WATER MAKES HIM FAT.

While hundreds of men in the army in Camp Travis are anxious to get out of service and back into civilian life, Cecil Rooms of Raton, N. M., is happy because he got in.

He rushed into a Y. M. C. A. building, threw his hat toward the ceiling and danced around. The attention of the "Y" secretaries was directed toward him by his antics and they inquired the cause of his glee.

It was then that the story was told. During the war Cecil could not get into the army on account of his age. He became eighteen years old not long ago and enlisted.

After his preliminary examination he was accepted although he was just heavy enough to pass the mark set by the regulations. When he was examined at Camp Travis it was found that he was two pounds under weight. Then he was in the midst of gloom.

"What did you do?" someone asked.

"I drank a whole lot of water just before I was weighed again and gained three pounds, one pound more than was necessary," answered the cheerful Cecil.

The Quinine That Does Not Affect The Head Because of its tonic and laxative effect, LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE (Tablets) can be taken by anyone without causing nervousness or ringing in the head. E. W. GROVE'S signature on box. 3c.

CONDENSED STATEMENT

THE FARMERS & MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK MERKEL, TEXAS

At Close of Business June 30, 1919

RESOURCES	
Loans	\$231,084.47
U. S. Bonds and Other Securities	10,512.37
Interest Earned, not collected	205.08
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	1,500.00
Other Real Estate	3,132.00
Furniture and Fixtures	3,600.00
Five Per Cent Redemption Fund	312.50
CASH AND EXCHANGE	62,448.50
Total	\$313,794.92

LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock	\$ 25,000.00
Surplus and Profits	\$38,682.27
Less Div. No. 29	2,500.00
Circulation	6,250.00
Bills Payable	20,000.00
Due Federal Reserve Bank	41,751.11
DEPOSITS	184,611.54
Total	\$313,794.92

I hereby certify that the above statement is correct.

THOS. JOHNSON, Cashier

LOCAL NEWS

Raymond Meeks left a few days ago for Wichita Falls.

For fresh Groceries and right prices see A. L. Jobe. 4t2c

Robert Kelley of Ranger, spent a few days this week with his father, J. D. Kelley.

If you are going to want a loan on that farm you had better see W. O. Boney at once.

Arthur Derrington and Paul Stamford left a few days ago for Crowell where they are at work.

FOR SALE—Real good second hand double disc plow. See Dr. M. Armstrong. t2c.

George and James White and Lloyd Sheppard left Tuesday for Eastland where they probably will accept positions.

Bring your clothes here to be cleaned and pressed. Will give you quick and good service. Mrs. C. L. Cash. Phone 180

W. L. Diltz, Jr., has resumed his position as bookkeeper of the Merkel Dry Goods Company, after an absence of about two years in the service of his country.

Habitual Constipation Cured in 14 to 21 Days
"LAX-FOS WITH PEPSIN" is a specially-prepared Syrup Tonic-Laxative for Habitual Constipation. It relieves promptly but should be taken regularly for 14 to 21 days to induce regular action. It stimulates and regulates. Very Pleasant to Take. 60c per bottle.

John West returned this week from oversea service.

A TEXAS WONDER
The Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder troubles, dissolves gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women. Regulates bladder troubles in children. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1.25. One small bottle is two month's treatment, and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Send for testimonials from this and other states. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive, Street, St. Louis Mo. Sold by druggists.

Good Time for Second Choice

Most of our "leave overs" are better goods than ones that were made during war and disturbed labor times.

YOUR POCKET BOOK

may be a little shy of bills now, so don't be quite so particular whether you buy a low cut or a shoe now as the season is nearly at hand that you can make no mistake to buy either a shoe or low cut.

THE ABOVE STATEMENT

is equally true about other goods, for using a second choice soon will be a first choice.

WE CAN HELP YOU, IF YOU ASK US

The Brown D. G. Co.

LOCAL NEWS

Miss Elmer Sheppard was maid of honor at the Fourth of July celebration in Abilene.

Fresh candy, cake and bread at the Metropolitan Bakery and Cafe.

Misses Ruth Bowden and Minnie Houghton and J. O. Lamar visited Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Bond a few days ago.

I have a nice variety of second hand furniture on hand. If you want to buy or exchange, see me. J. T. Darsey.

Mrs. Elmer Lowe has returned from a week's visit to the home of her mother on the Divide.

JARS—JARS—JARS
Plenty of quart and half gallon, wide mouth self sealing fruit jars at A L Jobe's Prices right. 4t2c.

Rev. E. E. Dawson spent the greater part of the past week in Nashville, Tenn., stopping for a short time in Dallas and other points.

No Worms in a Healthy Child
All children troubled with worms have an unhealthy color, which indicates poor blood, and as a rule, there is more or less stomach disturbance. GROVE'S TASTILESS chill TONIC given regularly for two or three weeks will enrich the blood, improve the digestion, and act as a General Strengthening Tonic to the whole system. Nature will then throw off or dispel the worms, and the Child will be in perfect health. Pleasant to take. 60c per bottle.

W. G. Leach writes from Campbellsville, Ky., where he and Mrs. Leach are visiting old friends and relatives, that they are having a good time. He says that he has not seen any crops that are as good as those around Merkel.

Luther Grimes has accepted a position with the Couch Motor Company at Eastland and left a few days ago for that place. He is delighted with his position.

KILL THE BLUE BUGS
And all Blood Sucking Insects by feeding Martin's Wonderful Blue Bug Killer to your chickens. Your money back if not absolutely satisfied. Ask Sanders Drug Store. 9My6m

TRIBUNE EDITOR GOT HIS SALARY

ORDERED NONE PAID TO EMPLOYEES WHO ENTERED SERVICE BUT TOOK HIS OWN

AGAINST WAR WITH GERMANY

Joseph Medill Patterson and Writer of "Million Dollar Editorial" Testify in Defense of Paper in the Ford Case.

Mt. Clemens, Mich.—Witnesses for The Chicago Tribune in its defense of its action in labeling Henry Ford an "anarchist" included Joseph Medill Patterson, one of the editors of The Tribune and Clifford S. Raymond, writer of what is now known as the "million dollar editorial."

In the course of the testimony it was developed that Mr. Patterson issued an order when Tribune men began to enter the service of the country after the United States entered the war, that no wages were to be paid to the departing men, whether they had dependants or not, but that he personally continued to draw his salary of \$20,000 a year after he went to France.

Both Mr. Patterson and Mr. Raymond also testified that they knew Germany wanted to see the United States at war with Mexico but that despite this fact The Tribune continued to urge intervention in Mexico and to oppose war with Germany. This was drawn out on cross-examination by counsel for Mr. Ford in an endeavor to show that The Tribune was pro-German up to the time the United States entered the war.

Arrested in Belgium

Counsel for Mr. Ford asked Mr. Patterson if it was not true that he had gone to Germany during the early days of the world war for the purpose of writing the German side of the controversy. Mr. Patterson denied this and counsel then introduced a copy of The Tribune in which the announcement was made that Mr. Patterson was being sent to Germany to get the German point of view. The witness admitted having been arrested in Belgium, on leaving Germany, on a charge that he had written pro-German articles.

"In The Tribune you opposed and denounced war with Germany, didn't you?" asked Ford counsel.

"We did not oppose war, we discouraged it," answered Mr. Patterson. "We had been at close quarters and we knew what an awful thing it was."

"But you advocated war with Mexico."

"We advocated intervention."

"Well, doesn't intervention mean war?"

"Usually."

Advocated Taking Mexico

"You advocated the taking of Mexico too, didn't you?" The witness was inclined to deny this until shown a copy of The Tribune in which the seizure of Mexico was urged editorially and then answered "Yes."

Mr. Raymond, when asked by counsel on cross-examination why The Tribune excoriated Theodore Roosevelt because of his utterances following the sinking of the Lusitania, said he believed such talk was not helpful to the government in reaching a decision, and that calmness was desirable.

"Did you ever argue for calmness when a border difficulty arose?" asked Ford counsel.

"I think not," answered the witness. "You used some pretty violent language yourself, didn't you?"

"I believe we did."

Upon direct examination Mr. Raymond denied knowledge of the International Harvester Co. and Standard Oil Co., stocks held by relatives of the editors and publishers of The Tribune and also denied interference with his editorial utterances.

Mr. Patterson likewise denied that Standard Oil or the International Harvester had had any effect on The Tribune's editorial policies.

Mr. Patterson admitted having once been a member of the socialist party. Ford counsel offered in evidence Mr. Patterson's book, "A Little Brother of the Rich" in an effort to prove that Mr. Patterson once held views similar to those attributed to Henry Ford. It was not admitted.

Writer Too "Pro-British"

The witness admitted having discharged Frederick Wm. Well, The Tribune's London correspondent, before the United States entered the war. Counsel for Ford asked if Well was told that his articles were too pro-Ally.

"Too pro-British is what I probably said," returned the editor.

Col. Henry J. Reilly, commander of the famous artillery regiment from Chicago, known as "Reilly's Bucks" took the stand and testified as a military expert to the necessity for intervention in Mexico. A long deposition was also read from James W. Gerard, former U. S. Ambassador to Germany, placing the blame for Mexican troubles at Germany's door.

Why Were Typewriters Invented?

☐ Invention has made industrial life attractive to women as well as men. Time and labor-saving inventions have banished the day when workers were slaves.

☐ But kitchen work still holds many housewives in thralldom bonds that a work-reducing Hoosier Kitchen Cabinet will release. Your kitchen needs

HOOSIER



Hoosier Inventions

It needs the conveniences only Hoosier can bring
Come in and see the Hoosier demonstrated

We Can Not Only Furnish

Your kitchen, but we have furnishings for every room in your house. A large assortment, a wide range of prices. Don't wait longer for things to get cheaper, indications now are that goods will be higher this fall than they are now.

We Have One of The Best

Stocks of Furniture in the west, and can sell you what you need NOW at moderate prices.

We especially invite you to see our stock of floor covering
RUGS, LINOLEUM, ETC.

Barrow Furniture Co.

Life Was a Misery

Mrs. F. M. Jones, of Palmer, Okla., writes: "From the time I entered into womanhood . . . I looked with dread from one month to the next. I suffered with my back and bearing-down pain, until life to me was a misery. I would think I could not endure the pain any longer, and I gradually got worse. . . . Nothing seemed to help me until, one day, . . . I decided to

TAKE

CARDUI

The Woman's Tonic

"I took four bottles," Mrs. Jones goes on to say, "and was not only greatly relieved, but can truthfully say that I have not a pain. . . ."

"It has now been two years since I took Cardui, and I am still in good health. . . . I would advise any woman or girl to use Cardui who is a sufferer from any female trouble."

If you suffer pain caused from womanly trouble, or if you feel the need of a good strengthening tonic to build up your run-down system, take the advice of Mrs. Jones. Try Cardui. It helped her. We believe it will help you.

All Druggists

Sells Drug Store.

After seven years of continuous business T. L. Grimes has sold his drug business to G. P. Holland. Mr. Grimes has been very successful in business and his store has always been one of the most modern in this section of the country.

Mr. Holland is from Abilene, comes highly recommended as a business man of high integrity. Dee Grimes has accepted a position with the store, while T. L. has made no plans for the future, though he will remain in Merkel.

We are glad Mr. Grimes is not to leave the city. He has become a real part of the business and social life here and his decision to remain meets the hearty approval of his friends.

Emmett and Eunis Grimes have accepted positions with Ed Compere, drugs, of Breckenridge and left for that city some days ago. Mr. Compere was formerly in business at Sylvester, where he became acquainted with these boys. We congratulate them upon their success in landing the jobs so quickly upon their return from overseas service.

LOSS OF APPETITE

As a general rule there is nothing serious about a loss of appetite, and if you skip a meal or only eat two meals a day for a few days you will soon have a relish for your meals when meal time comes. Bear in mind that at least five hours should always elapse between meals so as to give the food ample time to digest and the stomach a period of rest before a second meal is taken. Then if you eat no more than you crave and take a reasonable amount of outdoor exercise every day you will not need to worry about your appetite. When the loss of appetite is caused by constipation as is often the case, that should be corrected at once. A dose of Chamberlain's Tablets will do it.

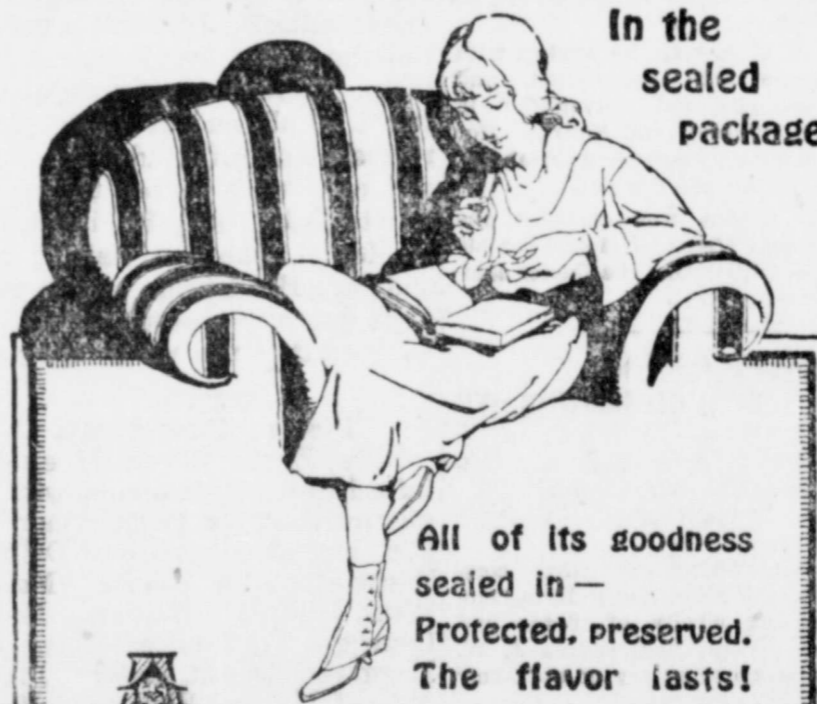
Sam Swann of Wichita Falls visited homefolks and friends Saturday and Sunday.

Thrift is not necessarily a habit but a conviction Get convinced now and buy. W. S. S.

Take a lesson from the ant. He works with others. Get into a War Savings Society.

WRIGLEYS

In the sealed package



All of its goodness sealed in— Protected, preserved. The flavor lasts!

ASK for, and be SURE to get WRIGLEY'S. It's in a sealed package, but look for the name—the Greatest Name in Goody-Land.



Sealed Tight—Kept Right

ANARCHY EXPERT DISCUSSES FORD

UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR CALLED TO POINT OUT "RED" DOCTRINES.

WHEN IS MAN AN ANARCHIST?

Plaintiff's Views Are Shown to Be Those of Best Loved American Thinkers and Writers.

"ANARCHISTS."

Professor Jesse B. Reeves says Henry Ford's doctrine that Humanity is constantly on the upgrade and that while it makes mistakes everything tends toward good, is "A fundamental principle of anarchy."

Ford's counsel reads quotations from Emerson, Whittier, Lowell, Holmes and Abbott, showing that they held the same view.

Question: "Were these men anarchists?"

Witness answers, "No."

Mt. Clemens, Mich.—Who is an anarchist—and what is anarchy?

The Chicago Tribune, which called Henry Ford an anarchist, and was promptly sued for \$1,000,000 as a result, introduced an expert witness on anarchy in the trial now going on in Mt. Clemens, Mich. in an effort to establish definitions of anarchy and anarchists which would convince the jury that there was no libel in the newspaper attack on the manufacturer.

Prof. Jesse B. Reeves, head of the department of Political Economy of the University of Michigan, was engaged by The Tribune to support its contentions by his testimony.

Under direct examination by counsel for the Tribune, Professor Reeves declared that the views credited to Mr. Ford by journalists who had interviewed him were identical with the views held by such well known anarchists as Emma Goldman, Tucker, Proudhon and Tolstol.

The Tribune introduced as evidence of Henry Ford's anarchy the following quotations attributed to him in articles which have appeared in newspapers and magazines:

Fundamentals of Anarchy.

"To my mind Humanity may make mistakes, but cannot do anything worse. I think that everything tends toward good. Even this great and bloody war is helping toward permanent peace."

"I think war is largely the result of greed on the part of those who profit by it."

"The moment we get people not to acquiesce in war, refuse to go to war, there will be no more war."

These views, Prof. Reeves testified, were found in the works of every anarchist of international reputation and were, in fact, fundamental principles of anarchy.

Thereupon counsel for Mr. Ford took the witness.

"Professor Reeves," said counsel, "was Benjamin Franklin an anarchist?"

"No."

"He said, 'There never was a good war, or a bad peace.' Was he an anarchist because he said that?"

"Certainly not."

"Professor, is the idea that Humanity is on the upgrade, as Mr. Ford believes, a fundamental of anarchy?"

"Yes, anarchism holds that Humanity is all right, it only needs to be let alone and it will work out its own salvation"

Were They Anarchists?

"Yet this idea was held by Emerson, Whittier, Bronson, Abbott, William James, John Fiske, Oliver Wendell Holmes and James Russell Lowell. Were they anarchists because they believed this?"

"No."

"Isn't it true that many wars in the past, not all but a majority, were brought on by the quarrels, greed and avarice of rulers?"

"I think many wars have been brought on, I think this war was."

"Do you agree that it is very foolish for the people of the countries involved to allow themselves to be slaughtered in such wars?"

"As we look back on it now, yes, we would say that."

"Well, that is precisely the sentiment you call anarchy in Mr. Ford."

Much testimony having been offered to show that Mr. Ford held jobs open for employees who were called into the armed forces of the nation and that he also provided aid for their dependents where the latter were in need, The Tribune, which originally charged that Mr. Ford would not do any of these things, is now attempting to prove that the assistance which he gave was late and was a result of the Tribune's attack.

Checks Produced.

Counsel for Mr. Ford has produced stacks of cancelled checks showing that regular monthly allowances were sent out to soldiers' dependents who applied for aid, beginning as soon as the case could be investigated and the records made, and continuing until the husband returned to work.

The Merkel Mail

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Why do baldheaded women die young

Those who pay homage to the gods of the prize ring were forced to change their idol on the Fourth.

Figure a boy, a girl, in their low teens, a car, and thinks of the combination on the roads of the country at night, and then figure, if you can, whether the odds are not against the making of a man or a woman. Even older persons cannot stand the combination at all times.

Everybody who resides in West Texas this year should be truly thankful for the privilege. In fact thankfulness ought to be a basic principle of life. We deserve no credit for being born in such a land instead of treading unclad the wilds of jungles where the rays of civilization and prosperity do not penetrate.

The wheat crop is rapidly being placed on the market. At all times there is a long string of cars awaiting the reception of the golden grain. In a remarkably short time the influence of the wheat crop was felt in the avenues of trade. Business is picking up rapidly and the joys of prosperity are being experienced in the land.

If your neighbor gets a little stuck up just overlook the matter for a little while. There is a reason. He has sold his wheat and feels like he is an aristocrat. From other crop prospects you will soon be in his class and doing just like he does. Let him feel good for awhile; maybe he has never had the opportunity before in his lifetime.

Talk about your goose neck maize, your towering cane, your feterita and your blooming cotton, and West Texas has the world "skinned." Say, fellows, you know how your friends down east had the last on you last year. Why don't you come in and subscribe to the Merkel Mail and send it down there. Each issue will make them sick. Certainly it will give you a chance to get even every week in the year. We think it is only fair to change the laugh awhile. Perhaps the mail man could trudge through the mud and by the sick cotton and yellow corn to the door of your friends once a week. And hey might be interested in West Texas now.

Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy

This medicine always wins the good opinion if not the praise of those who use it. Try if when you have need of such a remedy.

CUSTER VETERAN NOW WITH Y. M. C. A.

Survivor of "Battle of Big Horn" Touring Southern Department Telling Experiences.

Col. Theo. W. Goldin, a veteran of Custer's famous Seventh cavalry, has for many months been devoting all of his time to war work with the Army Young Men's Christian association. He is now on a tour visiting all military camps in the six states of the Southern Military department entertaining the soldiers with stories of the great West of the long ago.

Colonel Goldin has had an unusual and picturesque career on the frontier as soldier, government scout and quartermaster clerk, having participated in several Indian campaigns, among them the "Battle of the Big Horn," where Custer and some five hundred veterans went down before ten times their number of Indians. He has been in the Army Y. M. C. A. work since November, 1917, serving first at Fort Bliss and later at Presidio. He has been booked by the educational bureau of the Southern Department Army Y. M. C. A. for a speaking tour in Southern department camps.

Colonel Goldin owes his life to the fact that during the battle of the Big Horn he was serving as regimental clerk, and in that capacity was doing duty as mounted orderly. He was sent to Major Reno, some three miles away, with dispatches; but even then, during most of the ride, he was a tar-



COL. THEO. W. GOLDIN.

get for a number of long-range shots taken at him by the Indians. He was with Major Reno during the remainder of the fight, which lasted two days.

Among other campaigns he took part in was what was known as the "Big Horn and Yellowstone Expedition," which was probably the largest single expedition ever sent out against hostile Indians. As government scout and courier, he served under Gen. Nelson A. Miles at the Tongue River cantonment and later with his old regiment at Fort Meade. In 1876 he was in Arizona with different regiments at war with the Apaches. Later he carried dispatches for a time between old Fort Bliss, near El Paso, to the various posts as far down the border as Eagle Pass.

As Y. M. C. A. man, he worked with the Kansas City association, and among colleges and universities in Oklahoma, Missouri and Kansas. For several months he served at Oklahoma City in the boy scout work.

Colonel Goldin was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor for his services in 1876 during the Custer campaign.

COMMANDER OF THE 90TH COMMENDS "Y"

Gen. Henry T. Allen Says Red Triangle Men Went "Over the Top."

Maj. Gen. Henry T. Allen, commander of the Ninetieth division, composed almost wholly of Texas and Oklahoma troops, has written J. W. Nixon, division secretary of the Army Y. M. C. A., as follows:

"Dear Mr. Nixon: "By reason of the excellent work shown by the Y. M. C. A. assigned to the Ninetieth division throughout the period September 12-19, I ask that in behalf of this division you express to all members concerned my sincerest thanks for the highly important services rendered by them. Through these trying days, from your headquarters at Griscount, where a canteen, warehouse and dormitory were established, your valuable activities were at all times in evidence up to the assaulting battalions and back from those advanced elements with the wounded through the various medical stations to the field hospitals.

"Nine secretaries were with the infantry battalion, and two secretaries (F. A. Daves and B. F. Ford) actually went over the top with the assaulting battalions and carried on their work in the midst of the severest losses. I specially desire to commend the zeal and fortitude of these two gentlemen, and to thank the Y. M. C. A. for having sent such excellent representatives to us.

"Very truly yours,
(Signed) "HENRY T. ALLEN,
"Major General."



Mrs. Walter Jackson, Editor

A Slumber Party

Friday night Mrs. Province entertained with a slumber party. It turned out to be more of a slumberless party. Singing was a great feature of the event; all tried their fine voices, and at the small hours of morning sleep caught them all.

Those present were Misses Nina Province, Ruth Pike, Mabel Toombs, Maggie Lackey, Rosie Laney, Elizabeth Toombs; Mr. and Mrs. Ethridge and little Nina Ethridge and the hostess.

Everyone reported a splendid time and pronounced the occasion "the end of a perfect day."

A Moonlight Picnic.

Half a dozen young couples gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Rister last Thursday evening with well filled baskets. From there they resorted to the Anderson tank where dinner was served. Those present were Misses Mary Reed, Agnes Powell, Myrt Saffle, Zoe West, Maud Martin, Edith Brown, Jess Suthpen, Stacy and Lura Adkinson and Mamie Rister; Messrs. Jim Brown, Choc Jones, W. L. Diltz, Jr., Ennis, Luther and Dee Grimes, Bill Sheppard, Will Brown, Yates Brown, Nat Anderson, Rodger Haynes, Booth Warren and Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Anderson and Jack and Flora Frances.

Delightful Birthday Dinner

The Fourth on the J. C. Bickley farm, near White Church, was a most enjoyable occasion. The celebration was not only in honor of the Fourth, but also in honor of Mr. Bickley's mother, Mrs. America Bickley, wife of J. S. Bickley of Weatherford, whose birthday occurred on that day.

A most delicious old-fashioned farm dinner was served, consisting of chicken, roasting ears, and all the accessories. In the afternoon ice cream, peaches and plums were served. The following were present. Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Wheeler, Miss Maggie Wheeler, J. E. Costephans, Mrs. W. H. Frazer and daughter, Lorena, all of Merkel; Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Bickley and Miss Annie Bickley of Weatherford, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bickley, Mr. Coll Jones and family, Mr. Peeler West and family.

Fourth Of July Social.

The young folks of Stith gathered Friday night July 4th, and thought to surprise Mr and Mrs Jay Hendricks, Jr., with a party. But the couple was prepared for them. Various games were enjoyed by all, and at a late hour refreshments of candy, cream and cake were served to thirty guests. Miss Lula Frederickson of Merkel, who was visiting Mr and Mrs Hendricks for a few days was also present. A general good time was reported by all.

Picture Show Party.

Miss Elmer Sheppard entertained Saturday evening with a picture show party in honor of Miss Marian Sheppard of Dallas. Those attending were Melba West, Mildred Hamm, Mary Comegys, Flo Frances Anderson, Margaret Eckard, Hazel Freeman of Mineral Wells and Marion Sheppard. Following the entertainment refreshments were served at a local drug store.

When you feel lazy and out of sorts and yawn a good deal in the day time, you can charge it to a torpid liver which has allowed the system to get full of impurities. HERBINE cures all disorders produced by an inactive liver. It strengthens that organ, cleanses the bowels and puts the system in good healthy condition. Sold by Sanders Drug Store

Mrs Ed Rister of Mingus is visiting her parents, Mr and Mrs W. I. Avery, for a few days

For the best Bread buy American Beauty Flour at the Crown Hardware Company

We have an ideal house for granary and barn, boxed and weather-boarded, at a bargain. Merkel Realty Company.



LOCKETT ADAIR, Evangelist

CHURCH NEWS

Methodist Church Notice

Last Sunday was a great day with us. Our special service for the old people was well attended, many coming who do not get to attend regularly. They heartily entered into and enjoyed the service. Our services next Sunday morning will be at the church and at the regular hours, Sunday school at 9:45 and preaching at 11. The first service of our meeting for the town will be at the Tabernacle Sunday night. Let everybody take notice and if possible, be at the first service.

W. M. Murrell, Pastor

At the Baptist Church

Regular Sunday morning service from 10 to 12. Let all of our folks be on hand. Several important announcements will be made.

E. E. Dawson, Pastor.
Walter Jackson, Supt.

B. Y. P. U. Program

Subject, Jacob and his wife. Leader—Mrs. Thos. Bearden. Scripture, Gen. 29: 1-12. Song. Prayer. Love at first sight—Nell Swann Bargaining for a wife—Miss Iola May. Song. The wedding day—Gyrlie Howard. Domestied Discor—Ruth Boden Conclusion—Mr. Jackson.

Presbyterian Church

Sunday school at 10 a. m. and preaching at 11 a. m. At night we will all worship at the Tabernacle in the Adair meeting. Let us all rally at all of these services. We welcome you to do your part by being where you ought to be.

C. C. Dooley.

Take a lesson from the ant. He works with others. Get into a War Savings Society.

You Do More Work.

You are more ambitious and you get more enjoyment out of everything when your blood is in good condition. Impurities in the blood have a very depressing effect on the system, causing weakness, laziness, nervousness and sickness.

GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC restores Energy and Vitality by Purifying and Enriching the Blood. When you feel its strengthening, invigorating effect, see how it brings color to the cheeks and how it improves the appetite, you will then appreciate its true tonic value.

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The Strength-Creating Power of GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC has made it the favorite tonic in thousands of homes. More than thirty-five years ago, folks would ride a long distance to get GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC when a member of their family had Malaria or needed a body-building, strength-giving tonic. The formula is just the same today, and you can get it from any drug store. 60c per bottle.

League Program July 13

Scripture Reading—Margaret Bagguley.
Apostle Creed in concert.
Song.
Special music—Ruth Holloway.
The Origin of Methodism in America—Annie Mae Costephens
The Methodist Societies and the Methodist Episcopal Church Organization—Vivian Hutcheson
Scripture Reading—Frank Counts, Howard Laney.
Address by the pastor.
Announcements.

A TEXAS WONDER

The Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder troubles, dissolves gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women. Regulates bladder troubles in children. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1.25. One small bottle is two month's treatment, and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Send for testimonials from this and other states. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive, Street, St. Louis Mo. Sold by druggists.

Drug Store Makes Improvement

Sanders Drug Store is preparing for increased business activity. The prescription room has been re-arranged and made more convenient for quick and efficient service. Mr. Sanders is a drug man of broad experience and is determined to let nothing stand in way of having one of the best equipped drug stores in this section.

SOME INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT THE COLLEGE OF INDUSTRIAL ARTS AT DENTON, TEXAS

Denton, Texas, July 10th, 1919.—The College of Industrial Arts at Denton, Texas the second largest educational institution of college grade in Texas, the largest college for women in the Southwest, and the third largest college for women in the United States, is one of the most interesting, democratic, and efficient of the great colleges of this country, and the following facts concerning it are of especial interest to the citizens of Texas and to thousands of Texas girls who are ambitious to acquire further education and training for increased happiness and usefulness in life:

1. The law providing for the establishment of the College of Industrial Arts was enacted by the Twenty-seventh Legislature in 1901, and the first session of the College was opened September 23, 1903, during which 186 students were enrolled and instructed by a faculty of 14 members, there being only one building in which the work of the College was carried on.

2. During the year of 1917-18 there were enrolled 1260 girls in the regular session and 650 in the summer session, or a total enrollment for the year of 1910 students. The enrollment for the present year, 1918-19, in both the regular session and the summer session exceeds that of last year, and totals more than 2000 girls, with a faculty of 90 members, the work being carried on in 20 buildings located on a beautiful campus of 75 acres

3. A summary of the different kinds of work done by the College follows: Literary, Manual Arts, Household Arts, Home-making; Public School Music Reading or Expression; Rural Arts and Science; Industry and Vocations; Fine and Applied Art Music, Piano, Voice, and Violin; Commercial Arts, Typewriting, Shorthand, and Bookkeeping; Teacher-Training in Vocational Home Economics. No college or university of first rank in Texas, or the Southwest, gives better literary or industrial training of higher quality than does

the College of Industrial Arts; and for the completion of such prescribed training the following college credentials are awarded and conferred: Degree of Bachelor of Arts; Degree of Bachelor of Science; Degree of Bachelor of Music; Degree of Bachelor of Business Administration; Commercial Arts Certificates; Teachers' State Certificates; Public School Music Certificates; Vocational Certificates; Home makers Certificates; Kindergarten Certificates.

4. The course of study are so organized that girls may enter the College and pursue their work for one, two three or four years, as their financial ability may permit and their ambitions suggest. The Vocational Counselor of the College is qualified and ready at all times to advise girls in the selection of their course of study so as to enable them to accomplish their ambitions and purposes in the shortest possible time

5. There is not a college or university in Texas which is rendering a greater service to the people of the State than is being rendered by the College of Industrial Arts, and the girls of Texas may get at this great College precisely the work they most desire and which will best fit them for life in its larger, most wholesome, and useful aspects. The College year is divided into four quarters of approximately twelve weeks each. The next regular session begins September 16, and continues for three quarters, or thirty-six weeks, at the close of which the summer sessions begins and continues for one quarter, or twelve weeks

The best friends of the College of Industrial Arts are the thousands of Texas girls who have attended the College, and received the benefits of its instruction and training. Anyone who desires further information concerning the College and its work should inquire of any one of its graduates or former students, or who desires a catalogue should write President F. M. Bradley, College of Industrial Arts, Denton, Texas.—Adv.

IT IS TIME TO BUILD

☞ Before the war Uncle Sam said it was unpatriotic to build, but now he says "build a home." It is he who has launched a campaign for better homes. So let us heed, too, his call.

Build for Thrift Sake

☞ There is no need waiting for lower prices. There is no assurance of cheaper building material. But why consider the prices when you need a home.

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L. D. LEVY, Manager

Notice of Sheriff's Sale

The State of Texas, County of Taylor.
Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain order of sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Taylor County, of the 17th day of June, 1919, by J. N. Routh, clerk of said court, for the sum of Thirty-one Hundred Nine & 32-100 Dollars and cost of suit, under a judgment in favor of J. M. Radford Grocery Co., in a certain cause in said court, No. 4104, and styled J. M. Radford Company vs. M. A. Pierce et al, placed in my hands for service, I, John S. Bond, as sheriff of Taylor County, Texas, did on the 7th day of July, 1919, levy on certain real estate and personal property situated in Taylor County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit:

Lot No. 3 in block No. 5 of the town of Merkel, and lots Nos. 7 and 8 in block "J" of the G. W. Boyce addition to the town of Merkel, together with all improvements thereon.

Also the following personal property:

One note for \$640.00 executed by W. E. Ray to S. J. Pierce, together with any and all renewals thereof.

One judgment in favor of S. J. Pearce and against J. D. Perkins for \$507.40, with interest thereon from June 18, 1918, at 10 per cent per annum and all costs of suit, rendered in the County Court of Taylor County, Texas, in Cause No. 4332.

One Judgment in favor of S. J. Pierce and against W. J. Brown, for \$591.55 together with interest thereon from December 17, 1918 at 10 per cent per annum and all costs of suit, rendered in the County Court of Taylor County, Texas, in Cause No. 4407.

One judgment in favor of S. J. Pierce and against J. M. Watson, for \$217.80 together with interest thereon from May 13, 1918 at 10 per cent per annum and all costs of suit, rendered in the Justice of the Peace Court of Precinct No. 1, Taylor County, Texas, on May 13, 1918, and levied upon as the property of S. J. and M. A. Pierce, and that on the first Tuesday in August, 1919, the same being the 5th day of said month, at the Court

House door of Taylor county, in the City of Abilene, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said order of sale, I will sell said above described real estate and personal property at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said S. J. and M. A. Pierce, and in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Merkel Mail, a newspaper published in Taylor County.

Witness my hand, this 8th day of July, 1919.
John S. Bond,
Sheriff Taylor County, Texas.
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G. R. Pettus Dead.

At the home of his niece, Mrs. Henry Wilson, of Blair, death came to the relief of the long sufferings of G. R. Pettus on July 8. For quite a while he had suffered from canceral affections. The funeral services were held at the Christian Church at 11 o'clock Wednesday morning, burial taking place immediately afterward in Rose Hill cemetery. Elder W. G. Cypert officiated at the service.

Mr. Pettus formerly lived in the Blair community, but had been residing in different parts of the state for the past few years. He is survived by his wife.

Mrs. Mollie E. Walling Dead

At the advanced age of 83 years and six months, death came to call Mrs. Mollie E. Walling to her reward last Saturday. Honored by the long train of years that lay to her credit, ripened in faith, she went forth in the full assurance that it was all as right. Her husband preceded her to the grave about three years.

The funeral services were held at the Christian church at 4:00 o'clock Sunday afternoon, Elder W. G. Cypert officiating, burial taking place immediately afterwards in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Mrs. Walling was an old timer in this section, residing in the Shiloh community. She was the mother of J. R. Walling of that section. She was honored and

revered by her neighbors and friends.

Surgeons agree that in case of cuts, burns, bruises and wounds the First Treatment is most important. When an Efficient antiseptic is applied promptly, there is no danger of infection and the wound begins to heal at once. For use on man or beast, BOROZONE is the IDEAL ANTISEPTIC and HEALING AGENT. Buy it now and be ready for an emergency. Sold by Sanders Drug Store

Thanks the People

I wish to thank my many friends in this section who have contributed to my success during the years I have been engaged in the drug business here. I trust that the same friendly relations will be maintained between my patrons and G. P. Holland, my successor. Mr. Holland is a young man of worthy ambitions and high business integrity.

I again thank you.
T. L. GRIMES.

I take this occasion to announce that I have purchased the Grimes Drug Store, am now in charge and will be most happy to meet the people. I hope to be favored with the same kindly consideration that has characterized this business during the recent years.

You have a cordial welcome here always. Come in and let's get acquainted.

G. P. Holland.

Summer Complaint in Children

There is not anything like so many deaths from this disease now as before Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy came into such general use. When this remedy is given with castor oil as directed and proper care is taken as to diet, it is safe to say that fully ninety-nine out of every hundred cases recover. Mr. W. G. Campbell of Butler, Tenn., says, "I have used Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy for summer complaint in children. It is far ahead of anything I have ever used for this purpose. Chamberlain's Colic and Diar-

FATHER GOOSES' 1919 MODEL

Mistress Mary, quite contrary, Wanted to retn a flat.

But all she could find Was "two rooms behind "And a hook in the hall for your hat."

Doctor Foster went to Gloster For to buy a dwelling. He came right back For one small shack Was all there was a-selling.

Three young men! See how they run! They all run after the builder man

Who showed them each a pretty plan And they want a home as fast as they can Three young men!

Little Jack Horner Sat in a corner Eyeing a house design. He put up his "mon." And said, when 'twas done: "What a smart boy am I; it is MINE".

Sing a song of renters. Apartments and all that; Four and twenty people Cooped up in a flat

When the landlord enters To collect his rent, What have they to show for All the coin they spent?

INVEST NOW

The oil situation is rapidly developing. The time has come when Merkel must take a step forward. It is our advice to all those who are renting property to seriously consider the purchase of a home while it can be had at bargain figures. Let us show you what we have on our list. We sell more homes in Merkel than all others combined. We have the best bargains. Those who want to sell list with us. Buy now—Merkel Realty Co.

Try American Beauty Flour. You will like it. Crown Hardware Company

Plenty of Robin Red Breast meal at Bob Martin's Grocery

SE Mayberry of Ranger spent the Fourth with his parents Mr and Mrs M M Mayberry

Stings or bites of insects that are followed by swellings pain or itching should be treated promptly as they are poisonous. BALLARD'S SNOW LINIMENT counteracts the poison. It is both antiseptic and healing. Sold by Sanders Drug Store

Mr and Mrs W F Willingham of Sunset are visiting S L Grayson for a few days

For the best Bread buy American Beauty Flour at the Crown Hardware Company

Miss Wnniedeane Russell of Abilene visited her garmdmother, Mrs R M Woodrum, a few days the past week.

Chase and Sanborn high grade coffee at Bob Martin's Grocery.

Mrs Henry Coit and babies of Waco are visiting her parents, Mr and Mrs. J. T Warren.

Buy your groceries and grain from G. M. Sharp

Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days
Druggists refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure Itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles. Instantly relieves Itching Piles, and you can get restful sleep after the first application. Price 6c.

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They SATISFY!

TRENT

The singing at the Methodist church was well attended Sunday.

Rev. Hagood preached at the Baptist church Saturday and Sunday.

R. B. McRee and family and Mrs. J. A. McRee left last week in the former's car for Thornedale. They will be gone for several weeks visiting in the east.

Mr. and Mrs. Joyce are spending several days on the plains.

Miss Lillian Tedford left Saturday night for Bonham where she will visit for a while. From there she will go to Tennessee, where she will visit before returning home.

Charlie Ross, an ex-soldier, spent the week-end here visiting his aunt, Mrs. Nalley.

Mack Forrester, Noble Forrester, Ellis Smith and Jack Boone left Monday evening for the plains in search of work.

Mrs. Sallie Johnson and granddaughter, Ola Lee Boone, are visiting relatives in the eastern part of the state.

Buford Mangum is at home for a few weeks. He has been in Arizona for the past year.

Mrs. Mollie Johnson left Saturday night for an extended visit to Navarro and Cass Counties.

Miss Irene Donnell spent the week-end in Abilene visiting friends.

Mr. Othell Watkins entertained a few of his friends at his home Thursday night with a party. All present report a nice time.

Notice to Trustees of Taylor Co.
A number of questions have arisen lately in regard to the law requiring school boards to give bond for the safe handling of

books coming into their possession under the late Free Text Book Law.

A letter was received at this office a few days ago from the State Superintendent in which she stated that school boards would not be responsible for books lost or destroyed, but only for the proper distribution of same and all moneys coming into their possession from the sale of said books or the five per cent allowance for handling them.

If any school board should prefer not to assume this obligation personally, the above mentioned bond can be made with bonded company at a cost of \$3.00 and this amount paid from the local school fund for that district.

I will suggest further that all school boards secure a durable locker case, preferably a steel locker, in which to place these

books upon their arrival at the school.

Respectfully,
C. E. SIMS.

Worms interfere with the growth of children. They become thin, pale and sickly. Get rid of these parasites at once if you would have healthy, happy cheerful children. WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE destroys worms and benefits the whole system. Sold by Sanders Drug Store.

Floyd Dean received his discharge and returned home. He stopped off in Dallas for some weeks.

List your property with the Merkel Realty Company, if you want it sold.

NEW RAIL PLANS ON SOUND BASIS

Congress Determined to Make Certain Future Growth of Transportation Facilities.

PLANS AGREE ON PRINCIPLES.

Return of Roads to Owners With Assurance of Adequate Revenues.

Washington.—One of the big problems before the new Congress is getting the railroads back on a peace basis. These 260,000 miles of steel highways were taken over by the Government as an indispensable arm of the national defense; but now that their war service is over, there is a country-wide demand that the Government restore them to their owners to be operated on normal American business standards of efficiency.

But, as has been pointed out by President Wilson as well as by many men in public life who have given this subject years of careful study, it is not enough simply to say to the railroad companies, "Take these railroads and give the country the best transportation service that money and brains can provide."

Old Laws Obstruct Growth.

The President recently said that it would be a serious mistake to return to the old conditions of railroad regulation without reforming the antiquated laws that were obstructing the free development of transportation facilities. The Director General of Railroads has recently made an inspection trip from coast to coast, and he has been telling the people that the time has now come to put the railroads on a sound foundation.

The plans for a better system of national control of railroads are as varied as were the plans for banking and currency reform when Congress received a mandate from the people to provide insurance against financial panics. The public now demands insurance against a breakdown of railroad transportation, and the new Congress is undertaking this work as secondary only to insurance against international warfare. Congress solved the banking problem seven years ago as a non-partisan issue, in which all the people had a common interest, and Congress evidently is tackling the railroad problem with the same spirit.

While the many plans that have been proposed differ in the methods to be adopted in reaching the desired goal, it has been pointed out by Senator Cummins of Iowa, that all these plans have really very much in common—so much so that he is confident that Congress will have little difficulty in framing a bill that will meet with popular approval, and that will take the railroad question out of politics for many years to come.

Many Plans with One Aim.

The Iowa Senator has a commanding position in this Congress because he is the ranking member of the Interstate Commerce Committee of the United States Senate, and it is in this committee that the new railroad bill will take final form. In an address before a national meeting of business men at St. Louis Senator Cummins stated that since the close of the war, fully thirty complete plans for new railroad legislation had been submitted to him by business men, economists, bankers, railroad officials and owners, Government officials, railroad workers and just plain citizens.

The basic principles upon which all of these plans, with one exception, agree are as follows:

1. Private operation is more efficient and more economical than Government operation, and the public interest will therefore be served by a return of the roads to private management.
2. To make certain that new capital will be attracted to the expansion of railroad facilities, there ought to be greater certainty that a fair return will be earned on the investment.
3. The merging of weak and strong roads into large competing systems should be encouraged.

The making of a formula to provide a fair return on railroad capital seems likely to be the phase of the problem most thoroughly debated in Congress. The Director General has been urging that the Government ought to guarantee a certain return and share in any excess earnings. Leading bankers, especially some of the international bankers in Wall street, who have in the past marketed many hundreds of millions of railroad securities, also look favorably on the suggestion of a Government guarantee, which will make it easier to sell new securities, and will also stabilize the market for the old bonds and stocks.

Government Guarantee Opposed.

But the proposal that the Government shall guarantee the interest and dividends on private capital invested in railroads will undoubtedly meet with very vigorous opposition in many quarters. Even railroad executives, who might be supposed to take kindly to the idea of a Government guarantee against failure, have frankly stated that they do not want it, because they believe it is un-American in principle, would tend to lessen efficiency, and would involve the roads in a Government partnership that would inevitably lead to Government ownership.

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WITNESS WHO CALLS MANUFACTURER "ROTTEN AMERICAN" DRAWS COURT'S WRATH.

PROPAGANDIST TAKES STAND

Says Ford Told Him World War Was Started By Bankers and That He Knew Who They Were.

Mt. Clemens, Mich.—The Chicago Tribune is now in the third week of its attempt to prove Henry Ford an anarchist and to demonstrate, to the satisfaction of the jury which is hearing the testimony in the \$1,000,000 libel suit, that there was no libel in the now famous editorial which provoked the present court action.

Wood Becomes Caustic.

From the testimony of Mexican border residents who told of the bandit raids in Texas, New Mexico and Arizona, The Tribune has turned to witnesses who talked with Mr. Ford both before and after the United States entered the war. Henry A. Wise Wood, a preparedness propagandist from New York, was called to the stand to testify to Mr. Ford's attitude previous to 1917. He said he found the manufacturer a "rotten American." On the other hand Willis J. Abbott, a New York journalist, testified that after the United States entered the war he visited Mr. Ford and went through the great Ford factories which were turning out enormous quantities of war material without profit to their principal owner. "I thought him one of the most militant Americans I had ever met," said the witness.

Claim Ford Was "Converted".

The evident intention of The Tribune is to contrast these apparently conflicting attitudes and to claim that Mr. Ford was brought to a sense of his duty by the criticism of The Tribune. The remark of Tribune counsel that "Henry Ford is not the only man who has changed his course as a result of criticism," is significant in this connection.

A definite ruling from the court on the extent to which evidence of the unpreparedness of the United States for war is material, has cleared away the doubts of past weeks and has made the path for the remainder of the trial fairly clear.

"I am of the opinion," the court ruled, "that the amount of preparedness Henry Ford believed is not material. Whether Henry Ford sought to interfere with or nullify the efforts of the government to prepare to the extent it conceived necessary, whether that preparedness was much or little, adequate or inadequate, is I think, relevant."

Must Prove Ford Un-American.

In other words, the defense must show that Mr. Ford attempted to embarrass the government in what it conceived to be necessary steps for the protection of this country. The mere fact that he opposed militarism and fought it to the limit of his strength, before the adoption of armed force for the purpose of national defense became the settled policy of the government, will not be material.

The testimony of Mr. Wise Wood, who as a strong advocate of preparedness was naturally bitterly opposed to Mr. Ford's policies, contained so much animus that Judge Tucker called a halt in the recital to warn the witness that his line of comments were out of place and must be discontinued.

Mr. Wood, it developed, had visited Mr. Ford while on a speaking tour. It evidently was his intention to attempt to convert the manufacturer to a belief in a great army and navy. He informed Mr. Ford, so the testimony ran, that Germany was likely to invade the United States and that Japan menaced us from the west.

Mr. Ford's comment, said Mr. Wood, was "Oh, you're full of Eastern scare gas."

Bankers Blamed For War.

Mr. Ford declared also, the witness testified, that the world war was started by two great bankers, that he knew who they were and that he intended to draw their teeth before he finished with them. Speaking along the same line, Mr. Ford was said to have made the declaration that the revolution in Mexico, which resulted in raids into the United States, was staged by financial interests who hoped to bring about intervention. "I know who they are too," Mr. Ford is said to have stated.

Mr. Wood, it appears, pleaded earnestly with Mr. Ford in an endeavor to persuade him that the United States was exceedingly vulnerable and that there was immediate danger that some nation would step in and conquer us. But the only satisfaction he got was Mr. Ford's laughing retort, "Oh, you're full of scare gas."

Under cross-examination Mr. Wood admitted that he was not aware that a number of men who were associated with him in his preparedness propaganda were making great sums of money out of the European war.

The probabilities are that the defense will consume at least another week and that the trial will last until the end of July.

LOCAL NEWS

Lester Ellis of Abilene visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Ellis, the forepart of the week.

Threshed maize for chick feed at G. M. Sharp's Grocery Store.

Miss Mamie Ellis has been on the sick list this week.

We pay spot cash for eggs. Bob Martin Grocery Company

Mr. and Mrs. John Lyles leave Thursday evening for Kentucky to visit relatives. They will stop over in Lamar county to visit their son for a few days. They expect to be gone several weeks.

Screen against the flies. We have the wire. Crown Hardware Company.

Mrs. Ess Willard says she is glad her husband got whipped. Looks like she would have done it herself and not left it for the other fellow.

White Swann syrup at G. M. Sharp's Grocery Store

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Postmaster J. T. Dunn at Byers was approached in January by a young man who asked his advice about cashing \$100 worth of war stamps. He wanted to buy oil stock. Mr. Dunn told the young man he could get the money if he desired, but advised him to

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 - Delivering milk.
 - Pumping tires
 - Selling old bottles and bones.
 - Working in stores
 - Winning War Saver prizes.
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