The Snyder Signal

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INSTRUCTIONS TO THOSE DRAFTED

Instructions to Registrants

Governor has appointed C. C. Higgins, A. C. Wilmeth and M. E. Rosser as an advisory board to assist registrants and the Board in the work recently sent out by the War Department concerning the drafting of all registrants.

This advisory board has procured the assistance of the entire bar of Snyder to assist in this work and the following arrangements have been made for the benefit of all registrants: There will be two members of the bar at the rooms of the local Board at all times from 9 o'clock in the morning to 12 o'clock a. m. and from 1 to 4 o'clock p. m. to aid and advise all registrants who have received their questionaires in filling out the same and this will be done without charge tothe registrant. This will enable registrants to procure aid without expense and without inconvenience. The lawyers have gone into the work carefully and have agreed uponthe main issues in the work and there will be nothing gained by seeking other lawyers than thoseon duty when registrant may call at the local board's rooms as all will give same instructions. Those lawyers not on duty will not give advice as a rule. This arrangement has been made in order that all registrants receive equal service in this work. When registrant receieves his questionaire he may call at the local board's rooms at any time within the prescribed hours and get such aid and advice concerning the filling out of the questionaire as he may desire.

LEGAL ADVISORY BOARD.

W. H. Ramsey and family returned from a stayof three months in East Texas. They are fixing to move back to Hunt county to stay there till we get rain here.

John Eoff is now smiling behind the counter at Higginbotham Bros. & Co.

B. G. Appleton and J. A. Eubank have goneto Camp Bowie to enlist in the war.

Mr. N. M. Colvin, cashier of the Fluvanna State Bank paid the Signal a social visit Wednesday.

Mr. A. F. Gannaway of the Hermleigh country paid the Signal a pop call Monday and left a buck and a half to move his subscription up a full notch. We naturally like men of that sort.

Mr. W. F. Bertram of Ladonia Texas has been here this week prospecting and has purchased the J. R. Welch farm eight miles northeast of Snyder. He is a friend of O. L. Jones.

Rev. and Mrs. R. T. Hailey left Tuesday for a visit to their daughter in Wise county.

Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Ford and Baby Ford of Route 3 paid the Signal a substantial visit yesterday. They report their omther, Mrs. Kimbrough still quite sick.

Upon account of a collision at Halifax last Friday a munitions ship was blown to atoms. The explosion was heard and felt 60 miles away. Four thousand people were killed and houses were wrecked all over the city.

Dr. R. G. Davenport is home from New York where he has been attending lectures. He will be in his office from now on.

E. O. Kimbrough took his wife to Dallas last night where she will undergo treatment at a sanitarium.

A Rhoades of Ira and his brother T. N. Rhoades of Jack county were here Thursday hunting for the Kaiser.

Dr. J. H. Hanshaw has purchased the Mrs. Neal residence in West Snyder and he and his family are moving into their new home.

J. A. Welch is out of the city [illegible]

FARM LAND BANK EXPECTED HERE SATURDAY

The following telegram received Thursday night intimates that the second appraising batch in the Federal Land Bank will be sent out on Thursday and should be in the secretary-treasurer's hands Saturday.

"Houston, Texas, Dec. 12, 1917

J. P. Chambless, Snyder, Texas.

Report on your applications will go forward tomorrow.

T. J. CALDWELL,
Sec. Federal Land Bank of Houston

METHODIST STEWARDS HOLD BUSINESS MEETING

Tuesday night the board of Stewards of the Methodist church met in regular monthly meeting in the parsonage. On special invitation from the pastor and family each memner was invited to bring his lady and a most enjoyable occasion was the result. Test of a knowledge of the Bible was presented in contest, which created unusual interest. After other enjoyable events of an entertaining nature, Mrs. Waddill, assisted by some of the ladies, served refreshments, which was followed by a business meeting of the board.

Altrurian Activities

The Altrurian Club met Wednesday December 12th at 2 o'clock.

The roll call was answered by selections from old favorite hymns After a short business sessionthey took up Red Cross Work as per decision of previous meeting, interspersed with a beautiful program entitled "Ye Old Christmas." There was an exhibition of much real talent during the presentation of the program and those present could easily imagine that they were back in the days of Sir Walter Scott and were actually witnessing the actions of that romantic age.

The whole program was pronounced a success in every detail and Snyder should well be proud of such an organization that is able and willing to lend their hands as well as talents to the demand of our country today. Much credit is due Mrs. Renken for her faithfulness as instructor of the Surgical Dressings.

Program—

Roll Call—Selections from favorite Songs by Club—Annie Laurie.

Pianon Solo—Medley from old selections.—Mrs. Banks.

Recitation—The Blacksmith's Story—Mrs. Olin Hardy.

Vocal Duet—Suwanee River—Mesdames Boren and Rosser.

Poem—Old Christmas—Mrs. Geo. Harris.

Short Story Selection—A man without a country.—Mrs. Renken.

Quartette—Old Black Joe—Mesdames Boren, Curnutte, Clark and Hardy.

The final touch was added to the afternoon's pleasure, when the hostess appeared with a delicious salad course, coffee and sandwiches.

The Fortnightly Club

The Fortnightly Club met December 6 in the home of Mrs. N. B. Moore, with Miss Grace Moore as hostess.

The following program was rendered:

Roll Call—American Poets.

The Several Soliloquies of Hamlet analyzed by Miss Ola Bibbee.

Text Study: Act IV of Hamlet led by Miss Mary Heath.

Piano Solo—Miss Ima Wilson.

It was decided the Club should meet one evening each week to do Red Cross work. Reporter.

Notice Stockholders.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank will be held in the office of the bank building Tuesday, January 8th, 19[illegible] for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year and transacting any other business that may come before the body. A full attendance of the stockholders is requested.

ROBT. H. CURNUTTE, Cashier

Shareholders Meeting

The annual meeting of the shareholders of the Snyder National Bank for the election of directors will be held on Tuesday, January 8th, 1918. All share holders are urged to be present.

A. D. Erwin, Cashier.

A PROMINENT CITIZEN DEAD

J. B. BOLES PASSED AWAY WEDNESDAY MORNING

Mr. J. B. Boles died at 8:15 a. m. Wednesday, December 12th, after a racking illness of ten days at his home on East Plaid Street, aged 56 years, 5 months and 16 days. The funeral took place from the home at 3:30 Wednesday afternoon. Interment in Snyder Cemetery.

James Brantley Boles was born in Kaufman County, Texas, June 26, 1861. He was reared near Forney and spent his younger manhood in that country.

He married there thirty one years ago. Fourteen years ago he moved with his family to Scurry county and settled on his farm six miles east of Snyder where he has continued to maintain his country home, although residing mostly in Snyder for business and school advantages.

In 1906 he was elected Sheriff of Scurry county and was re-elected in 1908, 1910 and 1912, serving in that office for eight years. He was a good citizen and made the county a good sheriff.

Since retiring from official life he has engaged in private pursuits and looking after his farm interests. For more than a year he conducted a successful garage business here and has done well.

About ten days ago he became afflicted with blood poison from a diseased tooth and although given the close attention of physicians and family, the trouble grew worse till the end came.

Mr. Boles was a member of the Baptist church and was a good man.

The funeral was conducted by the Woodmen of the World, of which order he was a member. Religious services by Rev. L. S. Knight.

Mr. Boles is survived by his wife and six children: Mrs. John Berry, Mrs. Clarence Wenninger, Mrs. Pert Owens, Miss Minnie Boles, Jim Boles and Bob Boles.

Bed Quilts for Camp Bowie.

The Snyder Red Cross got busy on last Saturday in getting up quilts, comforts and blankets for the soldiers at Camp Bowie and on Sunday they sent 36 quilts and on Monday 44 and others continued to come in at headquarters at the court house to be sent later. Rev. C. H. Kelly brought in six quilts to add to the lot.

Married in California

The Signal is advised that Miss Minnie Lindsey of this city and Mr. J. E. Stewart of San Francisco, California, were married Wednesday, December 5, 1917 in the latter named city. The happy couple will reside in San Francisco.

The many friends of Miss Minnie join the Signal in extending long distance congratulations.

Epworth League Program

Leader—Miss Georgia Bolin.

Song.

Prayer.

Scripture Reading by Leader.

Piano Solo—Miss Lois Curnutte.

Paper "Foreign Missions after 3 Years of War."—Miss Hallie Godley.

Paper or Reading of her own selection.—Miss Leona Strayhorn.

League Benediction.

Stavely-Craft

The marriage license record in the Clerk's office shows a license issued last Saturday to Mr. John A. Stavely and Miss Ola Craft, both of Fluvanna. They are both popular young people of that town.

Mr. J. A. Weems, of Fluvanna is here this week with his son W. W. Weems and family.

BUCKHORN TAILORS ADDING IMPROVEMENTS.

The Signal is pleased to note that Mr. Rogers of the Buckhorn Tailors has unbounded faith in the coming of the golden west. He has recently added a modern cleaning apparatus to his already well equipped shop and is making his daily rounds calling for bones and rags, mostly rags, in a happy, go-easy manner. Mr. Rogers is a strong believer in the liberal use of printer's ink.

Commissioner's Court Met

The Commsisioners' Court was in session Tuesday and allowed the accounts of Sheriff Merrill for killing prairie dogs and boarding prisoners and an account to Grayum Drug Co. for supplies.

An order was passed to authorize the trustees of Fluvanna School district to sell the Favor School house at public sale.

T. A. Glossup was re-employed as court house janitor for the year 1918, subject to satisfaction in service.

Card from Congressman Jones.

Washington, December 5, 1917

Hardy and Chambless,
Publishers Snyder Signal,
Snyder, Texas.

Gentlemen: I have just received a copy of your paper dated November 30, and I desire to thank you for the very generous write-up you gave my recent trip to your city. It was morethan a pleasure to me to have theopportunity to visit Snyder and meet some of the good citizens of that section and I hope to have the pleasure of again being in that part of the country at no very distant date.

Again thanking you, I am

Sincerely yours,
MARVIN JONES

Sunday School Christmas

Instead of the usual Christmas Tree, the Christian Church has decided to have a giving instead of a receiving Christmas.

We ask every member of the church, old and young to bring something to send to our orphans home. If you cannot bring it, be sure to send it. Everybody who will is welcometo take part. We do this in the nameof Him who said "It is more blessed to give than receive" A good program will be given which will be enjoyed by all.

—Committee

Now honestly folks, haven't we talked about our troubles long enough. Every man, woman and child that can read knows about the conditions. You can't tell anybody about it. Forget it. Make this the most profitable Christmas you ever spent by buying your groceries at Lockhart Grocery Co. Phone 179. north side square.

Tom Caperton who left here some while ago for El Centro, California has written his parents, Rev. and Mrs. W. E. Caperton that he submitted recently to an operation for appendicitis and is getting along nicely.

Recital Benefit Red Cross.

Mrs. Hutcheson's Junior Pupils in Expression, assisted by Junior Music Pupils of Mesdames Barnes and Banks, will give a benefit program for the Red Cross at the Baptist church, Monday, December 17, 1917.

The Esrudoma Class of the First Baptist church decided in their last regular class meeting to meet every other Wednesday evening to sew for the poor of the community and the Orphan's home. The first meeting will be January 2, 1918 at the home of Miss Winifred Winston. All those wishing to donate second hand garments to be made over will find an empty box at J. H. Sears, ready to receive the donations. All donations thankfully received.

C. E. Fish has accepted a position at the Snyder National Bank and Earl Brown succeeds him at Higginbotham Bros. & Co, while Mr. Chappel will hold down Mr. Brown's place at the lumber yard.

Z. Taylor and R. M. Taylor were here Wednesday and remembered the Signal.

CONDITIONS AT CAMP BOWIE

Seventeen soldiers died at Camp Bowie on Thursday of last week and eight are reported to have died on the following Saturday. It will be remembered that there has been a scourge of measles in the camp and this being followed up by rigorous winter weather, resulted in pneumonia. In the rush of mobilizing 30,000 men there in so short time it has not been possible to provide adequately for the comfort of the soldieres and there has been unavoidable exposure.

A call was sent out Saturday for quilts and blankets and the Red Cross at Snyder hurriedly got up nearly 100 quilts and sent at once.

Sweetwater is said to have sent 60 quilts the same day and other chapters have readily responded.

The Dallas News of Monday carried a report from Dr. Florence who has made a thorough inspection of the Camp. He said conditions are rapidly being made as good as possible. Sewerage has been provided and arrangements made for warming the tents. Several hundred more tents have been provided and truck loads of quilts and blankets were arriving and being distributed. The nurse force was being strengthened and extra precautions being put in operation.

Dr. Florence said there were something more than 1700 men in the hospital, thirty per cent of these were minor ailments and many of the more serious cases were convalescent. He thinks the worst trouble is passed, because the people throughout the state have become fully awake totheir responsibility in he matter and supplies will be teeming in now abundantly.

Letter from Camp Bowie

The following letter has been received by a Snyder lady from her nephew, now in training at Camp Bowie, whose home is in [illegible] Texas. His grandfather was an officer in the Southern army during the civil war. His father served as a soldier in the Spanish-American war, being with the First Texas Regiment and seeing service in Cuba. The writer of the letter is sixteen years old.

"With the Colors."

Camp Bowie, Texas, Nov. 29.
Thanksgiving Day.

Dear Aunt:

It has been more than a month since I received your letter, and it bore such a message of love that I did not know how to answer it right. Aunt, ——, I love you and the rest as much as one can love; and I realize how you all feel about it.

I wish you could look at the situation the way we do, and may be you would not witness so much anxiety and sorrow. Aunt ——, I have sat on papa's knee many a time in the past and admired him as he told me of his enlistment and of his experience when he stepped out for the flag in '98. And as I grew older, my desire to be like papa grew with me. So, nearly forgetting my dear mother, I stepped out for Uncle Sam. But I sure think of her now and I know she worries about me. And it is for her, alone, I worry, not myself.

But Aunty, if I do "go across," I will die knowing that I left the best father, the sweetest mother, the most glorious country—and died for the protection of the most honored flag in the world. So in what better way could I use myself?

We were quarantined on account of meningitis today and I did not get to eat my Thanksgiving dinner at home, but I will eat Xmas dinner there, and I wish you could be there too. Can you?

I stand the drilling fine now, and am getting along as well as anyone.

With much love,

Frank Darby who went to El Paso last week to be examined for enlistment was immediately assigned for duty at San Diego, California as stationery engineer in the Aviation Service. Frank is well fitted for that line and his training from boyhood up will stand him well in hand.

Mr. T. J. Fuller of Route 4 came in Wednesday and renewed for the Signal and Dallas News.

WAR PREPARATIONS REQUIRE FACTORIES

IMMENSE WAR PLANT TO BE COMPLETED IN RECORD TIME

Dodge Brothers Give Government Fast Action on Big Contract for Special Mechanism.

Detroit—There is no doubt in the minds of Detroit residents about the government's determination to respond promptly and energetically to Premier Loyd George's pleas for a "million men and a mountain of arms." Although many industries have quietly taken over the manufacture of munitions sincethe war began, the new rush started only recently. Gigantic new structures are being put together with amazing speed to handle the immense new contracts for the government. No shortage of materials handicaps these undertakings. Everything comes under government priority order.

Probably the most prominent example, both in magnitude and dispatch is the immense new plant which is to house the Dodge Brothers munitions industry. The day after a contract for millions of dollars' worth of special recoil mechanism had been allotted to Dodge Brothers by the Government, a force of hundreds of men, teams and machines was on the ground excavating and assembing materials. The work since then has been pushed with great rapidity, the force of workmen being enlarged as fast as laborers and mechanics are available. Over night acres of ground are transformed into [illegible] level floors of concrete. Great [illegible] are being up on [illegible] which will measure 57x[illegible] It is intended to have the plant in operation next spring, with thousands of workmen employed. The entire work is in charge of Dodge Brothers own construction superintendents.

Dodge Brothers' willingness to accept this contract was induced by their realization of the necessity for prompt and complete co-operation with the government and not thru any desire to engage in a business other than the manufacture of motor cars. As in the case of their motor car industry, the Dodge Brothers are their own executives and their own directors. There were no prolonged meetings, no debates. When the government asked them to take over the contracts, the work was ordered and it is being done.

Dodge Brothers are building the plant entirely apart from their motor car factory. Neither will interfere with the other.

Not only are Dodge Brothers engaged with this tremendous project but they are building hundreds of cars for service in the army, both of the passenger and commercial type. The latter is similar in almost all details tothe Dodge Brothers' Commercial car on which deliveries began a few weeks ago.

As a whole the automobile industry is co-operating with the government on a vaster scale than the public generally imagines, this being but one example of the energetic spirit which is enabling the country to get to the front promptly with men and supplies.

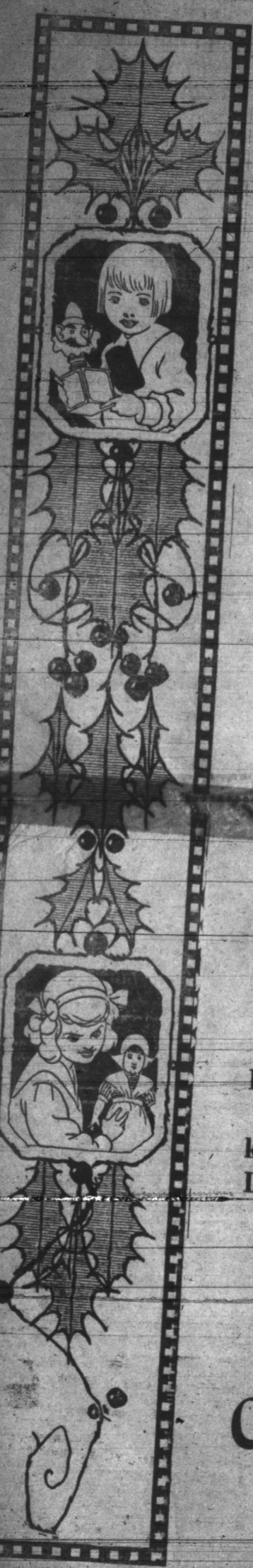
Mrs. W. B. Stanfield left Monday for Camp Travis to visit her son, Scott Stanfield, who is there in the army service.

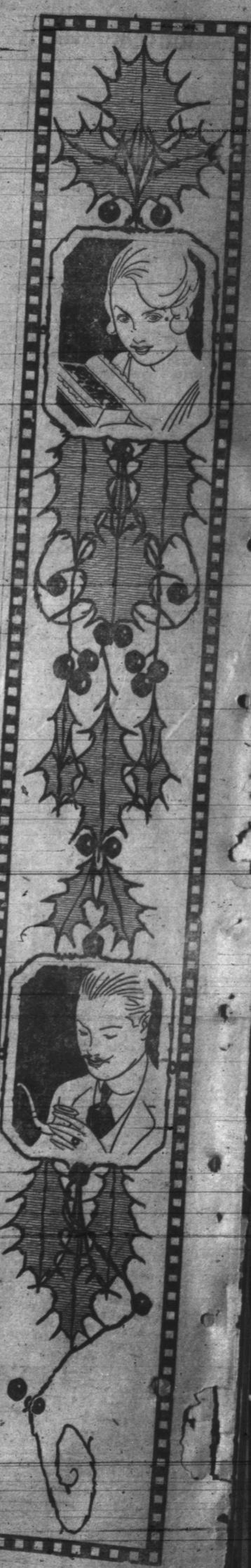
Mr. L. Ford, a banker at Roby accompanied by Mrs. Ford, was in Snyder Monday on business. Mr. Ford says the road bonds in Fisher county are going to carry.

Mrs. M. G. Newby has returned from Eldorado, Oklahoma to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Lualiin. She states that Mr. Newby is now located at Lawton.

A report is current here that Mr. W. S. James of Roscoe, Assistant General Manager of the Roscoe, Snyder & Pacific Railroad has gone to Boston, Massachusetts to get married.

The Christmas Spirit Is In The Western Air





We all Feel Inclined to Conserve and Plan on a Basis of

SENSIBLE GIVING

Suggestions--

For the Men:

You are invited to consider the matter of making Gifts in the line of Clothing, such as A Suit of Clothes, Shoes, Hats, Suspenders, Gloves, Ties, Socks, etc.

For the Ladies:

Fancy Hose, House Shoes, Attractive Underwear, Handkerchiefs, Caps, Purses, Christmas Patterns in Silks, Ribbons, Laces and everything to make home comfortable and pretty.

Come in and Lets talk it Over.

Caton-Dodson Dry Goods Co.

The Big Store — Snyder Texas

[illegible] FOR MEMBERS TO COMMENCE DEC. 17

ENROLLMENT OF 15,000,000 BY CHRISTMAS EVE IS THE GOAL SET.

SOUTHWEST QUOTA 2,000,000

Every Person With Red Blood in His Veins, Who Is Not Already a Member, Will Join by Dec. 25.

"Make it a Red Cross Christmas!" This is the slogan of the Southwestern division of the great American Red Cross, which will begin a drive Monday, Dec. 17, to obtain 2,000,000 new members in the states of Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas.

A similar drive is to be made at the same time in the other 12 divisions of the Red Cross throughout the United States. The Red Cross has 5,000,000 members at the present time. Fifteen million members by Christmas Eve is the goal of this wonderful organization.

Outside of the army and the navy the Red Cross is the most important instrument for winning the war. Facts and figures dictate this statement and not sentiment.

Much has been said and written regarding the sentimental side of the Red Cross and too little has been said and written of the actual work which the Red Cross does. As a matter of fact, the Red Cross is nothing more than God's own instrument for making the world safe for democracy. All of the armies and all of the navies of all the allied countries would be impotent unless back of them there was something making for the morale which is the backbone of every fighting machine.

Morale Makes an Army.

Every soldier and every sailor must know that his country is backing him up with something more than munitions and a uniform; he must know that the spirit of the country is behind him, that its humanity is reaching out to him and reaching out to his, that the All-Seeing, All-Powerful One, the Big Director of Humanity, is going to take care of him and take care of his family while he is fighting.

Morale and munitions win wars. The Red Cross is morale with a big M, and without the Red Cross there would be no such thing as morale.

The facts covering a few of the activities of the Red Cross since the United States went into the big war are sufficient proof of all these statements. No man with red blood in his veins can read these facts and then refuse to become a member of the Red Cross unless he is already a member.

Because of the enormity of the task and because of the fact the United States was unprepared for war, the War Department has been slow in getting supplies to cantonments, and in many instances soldiers would have suffered had it not been for the quickness of the Red Cross in coming to their relief. Some red tape, of course, attaches to the Red Cross. At a Southern cantonment 2,000 of the men were without shirts; the War Department was not able to furnish the mimmediately. The Red Cross stepped in and within 24 hours every man was properly outfitted.

Blankets Are Supplied.

At another cantonment the men had an insufficient supply of blankets and the government could not put through a requisition in time to alleviate the suffering which followed. Again the Red Cross went to the rescue of the government, again it proved it was the government's righ-hand ally.

At still another cantonment sweaters were furnished for more than 2,000 soldiers who were without overcoats.

One of the biggest things the Red Cross is doing in America and throughout the countries of the Allies is civilian relief. Here are some cases to point which alone are sufficient to make membership in the Red Cross synonymous with citizenship in the United States:

CASE ONE.—Mother with daughter sixty-five, son twenty-two and daughter thirteen. Son is drafted. Mother seen dangerously ill, without hope of recovery. Oldest daughter must resign her position, paying $35 per month to care for mother. The soldier's allotment is their only income.

Home Service Section investigated; found an excellent family never in need before, now in dire straits and needing great assistance. Chapter allots $10 a week to provide for living expenses, medicine, doctor bills, etc., and are making encouraging calls to the family and assisting the daughter in nursing her mother. Financial relief alone could not have been enough in this case.

Splendid Home Service.

CASE TWO.—Man enlisted in army and in June, 1917, asked for discharge on the grounds of a dependent who was an expectant mother. Was refused discharge because of such place after declaration of war. Home Service Section found facts to be correct, made arrangements for a competent trained nurse and assigned a motherly woman as counsellor for her and assisted her with the care of the baby above the soldier's allotment. This was splendid home service, for it comforted an expectant mother and by the same effort relieved the worried mind of the soldier father.

CASE THREE.—An aged farmer and his wife had two sons, twenty-five and twenty-two years old respectively. The older boy was drafted. Two weeks later the second boy was taken ill suddenly and died. The old folks were distracted not only because of the loss of both sons, but because they had a growing crop, their only means of support, which they were unable to gather it.

Home Service Section marshaled the neighboring farmers, gathered the crop, helped to market it and gave kindly advice and assistance to the old people. That was all that was needed, but it was good home service.

CASE FOUR.—Referred by Canadian Patriotic Fund. American citizen enlisted in Canadian forces, leaving a wife and four children in United States. Man formerly earned $150 per month and took excellent care of his family. He made an assignment of $20 of his pay; the Canadian government made an additional separation allowance of $20, total of $40 per month. Woman willing to readjust her mode of living, but to drop from $150 per month income to $40 per month was impossible without great sacrifice to health and environment of children.

Allowances Made for Wife.

Home Service Section investigated, found an excellent family and enthusiastically recommended grant of $10 per month to be added to the $40. This was enough to relieve this woman of the constant worry and fear which was rapidly driving her to a neurotic condition. There will be many cases like this for the Red Cross.

CASE FIVE.—Referred by Commandant of Army Post. Soldier had deserted and when recaptured, gave as his excuse that the fear of his wife and three children starving in Chicago drove him to it.

Home Service Section investigation showed man well known to all charities of Chicago because of his absolute failure to support his family and his frequent desertion and long absence from them. Soldier compelled to make an allotment of $20 per month for their support, and at wife's request (this being her first dependable income from him) man was kept in the army. Our Home Service Report helped the commandant, too, for he no longer felt like a brute in handling this "poor man" and began at once to make a real man out of this soldier.

Hospital Units Replaced.

In the recent German offensive which resulted in the invasion of Italy the Germans captured 86 hospital units attached to the Italian army. Thousands of Italians were wounded in the movement, requiring immediate medical assistance. The Italian army was unable to furnish them. A quick call was put in for the Red Cross and within a few hours Red Cross surgeons, Red Cross nurses and Red Cross supplies were being rushed to succor the thousands of wounded Italians.

Here, indeed, in all these cases, is proof of the necessity and the practical worth of the Red Cross; here, also, is infallible proof that every citizen of the United States should be a member of the Red Cross.

In the Christmas drive for members, which is to begin Dec. 17, membership will be issued upon the payment of $1.

With each $1 membership there will be given a Red Cross service flag which it is desired members will display in a front window Christmas Eve from 7 to 8 o'clock. The flag is transparent and with a lighted candle behind it will make a most impressive patriotic display.

Is the blood in your veins RED? If it is YOU will have a Red Cross service flag in YOUR window Christmas Eve, and when the news is flashed to the battlefields Christmas morning that 2,000,000 people in the Southwest have declared "We are behind the boys in the trenches" down in your heart you may be thankful that it has been your privilege to be one of those to send this inspiring message.

FRENCH CHILDREN SAVED BY RED CROSS IN FRANCE

How the Red Cross carries on its humanitarian work in Krance is illustrated in a cablegram received a day or two ago from that country.

At Evian the Red Cross opened a children's dispensary in the garage of an old hotel. It is known as the American Children's Hospital. Ten days before a general hospital was opened at Evian with 70 beds. It is already overcrowded with cases of diphtheria, measles, scarlet fever and whooping cough. American doctors twice daily examine an average of 250 children arriving from behind the German lines and send contagious cases to the American hospitals.

Every contagious case thus stopped may mean that an epidemic will have been prevented somewhere in France.

An American dentist opened a dental dispensary in an old hotel at Evian, using a chair improvised from wine barrels. His first patient was an underfed boy from Lons. The boy's family of seven had been living two years and a half in the cellar of their home, which had been wrecked by the Germans.

Children as Red Cross Workers.

Children in [illegible] schools throughout the country are to help the cause of the Red Cross. Many of the simple articles and supplies needed in the hospitals will be made in the ordinary course of their school work, and his material contribution to the com[illegible]

Right now—today—is the time to help. Have YOU joined the Red Cross?

RED CROSS WORK SAVES SOLDIERS FOR NEXT SPRING

MEN AT FRONT ARE HEARTENED BECAUSE THEIR FAMILIES ARE CARED FOR.

GEN. PERSHING CO-OPERATES

American Leader and Gen. Petain Aid in Relieving Distress, Thereby Keeping up the Morale of the Army.

That the work which the Red Cross is doing in France to alleviate suffering among the families of Frenchmen who are fighting at the front represents a saving of 1,500,000 men is the opinion of William Allen White, noted writer and owner of the Emporia (Kan.) Gazette, who has just returned from France.

"It is not probable that our army in France will get into the fighting to any large extent until next spring. The real war work that should interest the people of America this winter is of an economic rather than of a military character. It will be carried on by the Red Cross in France, its purpose being to relieve needy conditions in the homes of French soldiers who are in winter quarters in the trenches at the front.

Comfort Women and Children.

"It is felt by the military officers of both nations that nothing could do more to keep up the morale of the French soldiers during the coming winter than to bring comfort to women and children at home. The soldier's knowledge that his family is being well cared for will take a great load off his mind and hearten him to stand up against privation which otherwise might break his spirit and render him of no physical use.

"Maj. Grayson M.-P. Murphy of the Red Cross, Gen. Pershing and Gen. Petain of France are working in unison to perfect the plans for the relief of families of soldiers, the military commanders believing that it will be of the greatest benefit to both armies. It should be kept in mind that every soldier who is saved this winter means the saving of an American boy when the big drive begins next spring. Some American boy will have to take the place of every Frenchman who is killed or who breaks down under the strain.

"This particular relief work means, therefore, that French soldiers will be saved for work in the spring and American lives will be conserved at the same time.

Petain Is Doing a Great Service.

"Gen. Petain is having French officers go right down the lines and ascertain from every soldier whether he has any worries on his mind concerning sickness or want at home. Report will be made to headquarters weekly and not a single case will be overlooked in the immense undertaking. Special attention will be given to the treatment and prevention of tuberculosis, and child welfare work also will be an accompaniment of the general relief. Scattered through France, many of them in soldiers' homes, are some 200,000 refugees from the war zone, and these also will receive attention.

"In short, it is the purpose to keep the spirit of France bright until the military forces are ready to deal their smashing blow against German autocracy. Thus it is I say that the great struggle of the winter will be the economic struggle. The Red Cross practically will fight the American fight until our boys take their places on the firing line next spring."

RED CROSS NURSES SENT TO ARMY CANTONMENTS

Fifty public health nurses have been assigned by the American Red Cross to the zones surrounding the national army cantonments, camps and navy bases.

The nurses will work under Red Cross sanitary directions in co-operation with the local state and federal health authorities.

Nurses have already taken up their work in the vicinity of cantonments at Hattiesburg, Miss.; Ft. Riley, Kan.; Des Moines, Iowa; Louisville, Ky.; Little Rock, Ark.; Ayer, Mass.; Chillicothe, Ohio; Atlanta, Ga.; Newport News and Petersburg, Va.

As visiting nurses in the rural territory and cities adjoining the camps the Red Cross nurses assigned to public health work will endeavor to prevent the spread of tuberculosis, malaria and other infectious diseases and strengthen the local work for infant welfare.

SCHOOL CHILDREN TO AID IN WORK OF RED CROSS

Organization of the Junior Red Cross among public school children throughout the United States has been warmly approved by President Wilson, in a letter to Dr. H. N. MacCracken, who is in charge of the organization of the new Junior Membership Board.

The campaign for members is being carried on in connection with the Christmas membership drive.

Help the Red Cross Do This Work; Save Your Boy, or Your Neighbor's

Red Cross surgeons and orderlies give first aid to wounded in little underground dressing stations in the front-line trenches. War records show that as many Red Cross men are killed by enemy fire as regular soldiers in the trenches.

LOSES THREE SONS, WIFE; SUCCORED BY RED CROSS

A cablegram from France to the American Red Cross says:

"At one of our Red Cross canteens last week an old poilu, with tragic face, came up to the directrice of the canteen and pulled out three photographs of very fine boys which he said were his sons who had enlisted in the same regiment, and who had all been killed.

"A month before he had received word from the French authorities that his wife, who had been caught in the invaded district, had been shot by the Germans. He was started back on his furlough with no family to whom he could go.

"The directrice suggested that he had his parents to visit, but he answered that both his parents were killed by the Germans in 1870.

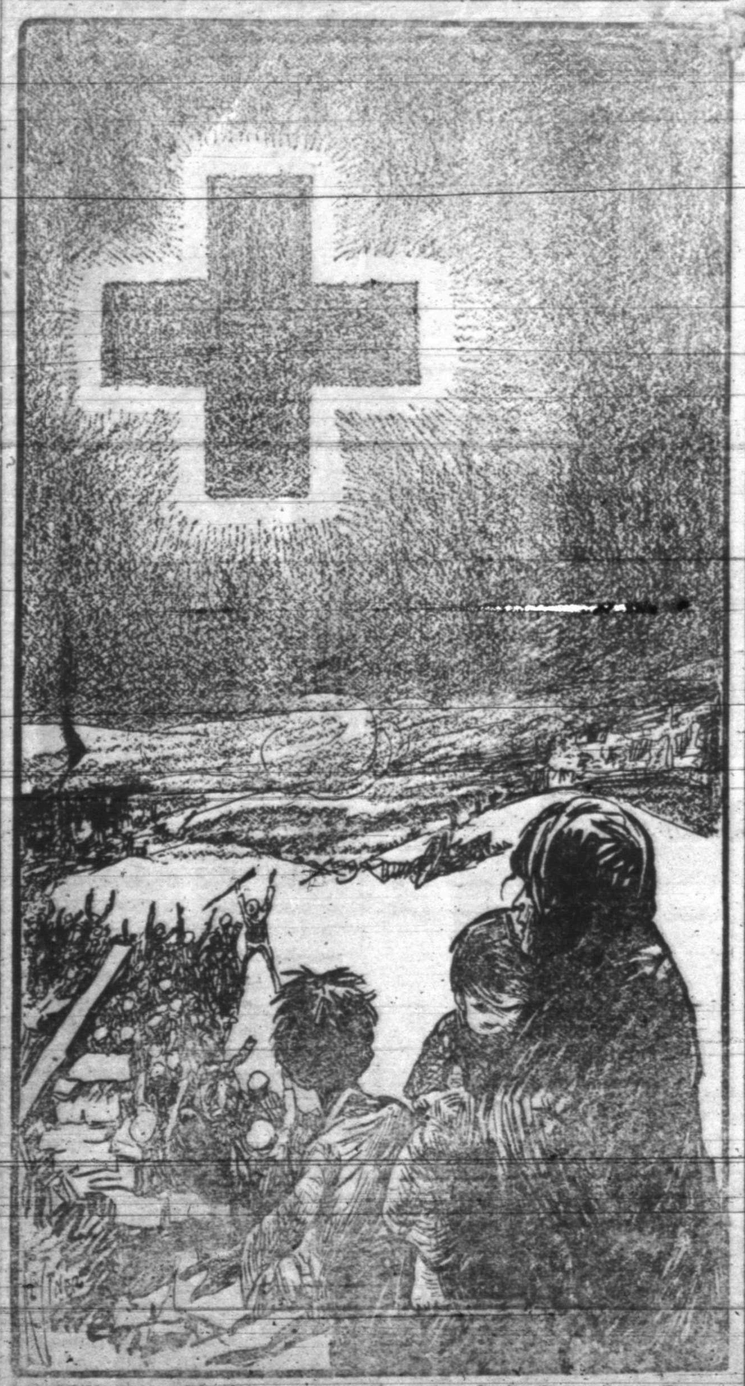
"He said to the directrice, 'I have had rest and comfort here in your canteen. You have all been very kind to me. I have found plenty of good food to eat, something to read and a place to sleep. I think that I will stay here for a few days before returning to the front if you do not mind.'

"And it is there that he will spend his leave. These are the men the Red Cross canteens reach, nearly thirty thousand of them a day."

Cold cash—given through the Red Cross—will cool the brow of some suffering soldier.

YOU can "Rescue the perishing, care for the dying," by joining the Red Cross.

The Sign of the Red Cross



Millions and millions of stricken people in devastated Europe must depend on the activity of the Red Cross alone for the most meager necessities of life—just enough to keep body and soul together. It is the universal helping hand. But in order to extend this hand to the sorrowing and afflicted, it must have your support. In fact, if you would do your part to relieve the suffering in the world, you can do it most directly and efficiently through the Red Cross. Become a member today.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Scurry County: Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon the heirs of H. J. Camp and Julia A. Camp, his wife, both deceased, whose names are unknown to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Scurry County, Texas to be held at the court house thereof, in the town of Snyder, on the 4th Monday in December, A. D., 1917 then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 28th day of November, A. D., 1917 in cause No. 2100 wherein J. S. Hart and Alace Lindsey, Maud Lindsey, Minnie Lindsey, Mrs. J. C. Edwards and her husband, J. C. Edwards are plaintiffs and W. H. Wilson, Admr. of the estate of H. J. Camp, deceased, and the unknown heirs of H. J. Camp and wife, Julia A. Camp, both deceased are defendants, the cause of action being alleged as follows, towit:

A suit to remove cloud from title to all of blocks Nos. 35 and 46 of the Grayum and Nelson Heights addition to the town of Snyder, in Scurry County, Texas, created by virtue of certain lien notes against said land which are now barred by limitation as alleged and have never been released, being executed by J. R. Huckabee to H. J. Camp, but some right or title claimed to said land by virtue of same by W. H. Wilson, Adm. the estate of H. J. Camp, deceased, and also to establish title to said property by 10 years limitation as to any interest in same formerly claimed or held by the heirs of Julia A. Camp, for costs of suit and general and special relief.

You are further commanded to serve this citation by publishing same once each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in a newspaper published in your county, but if no newspaper is published in said county, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court, on the first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, Guy E. Casey, Clerk of the District Court of Scurry County, Texas.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, in the town of Snyder, this the 28th day of November, A. D. 1917.

GUY E. CASEY,
Clerk of District Court of Scurry County, Texas.

Issued this the 28th day of November, A. D. 1917.

GUY E. CASEY,
Clerk of District Court of Scurry County, Texas.

CLIP THIS AND PIN ON WIFE'S DRESSER

Cincinnati man tells how to shrivel up corns or calluses so they lift off with fingers.

Ouch ! ? ! ? ! This kind of rough talk will be heard less here in town if people troubled with corns will follow the simple advise of this Cincinnati authority, who claims that a few drops of a drug called freezone when applied to a tender, aching corn or hardened callus stops soreness at once and soon the corn or callus dries up and lifts right up without pain.

He says freezone dries immediately and never inflames or even irritates the surrounding skin. A small bottle of freezone costs very little at any drug store, but will positively remove every hard or soft corn or callus from one's feet. Millions of American women will welcome this announcement, since the inauguration of the high heels. If your druggist doesn't have freezone tell him to order a small bottle for you. 61

Excursion Rates

Santa Fe

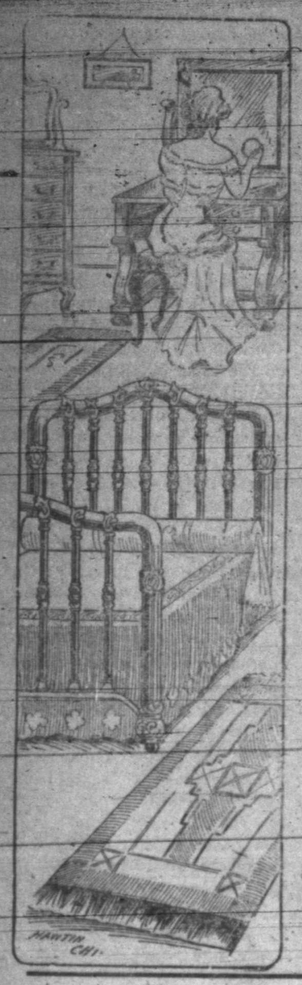
Round Trip 90 day tickets to Alpine, Aransas Pass, Brownsville, Corpus Christi, Galveston, Palacios and Port Lavaca, also other points east. For particulars phone 253.

C. F. ROWDEN

It is announced that the Lenine government in Russia has already announced that the debts of Russia will be repudiated. That might have been expected. If Russia refuses to live up to the agreement with the allies, of course Russia's debts will not be paid.

Sensible and Practical Christmas Giving

Is the practice of svery indivldual, especially during the continuance of this great and notorious war.

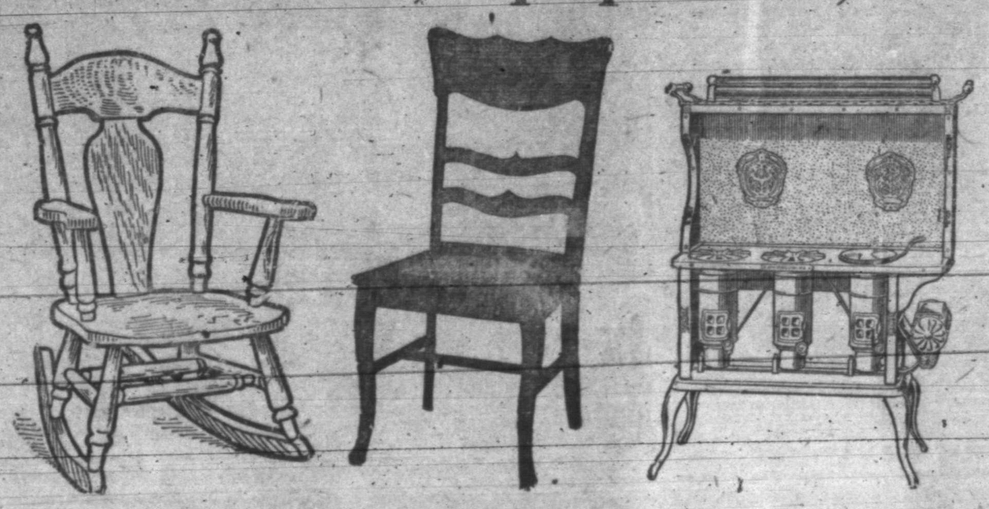


We have arranged to supply every Christmas demand in House Furnishings, Rocking Chairs, Parlor and Dining room chairs, equipments, etc

Why let chilled fingers and a blue nose spoil the buckwheats and a cup of good coffee?

You can have a warm dining room—certainly you can.

Your fire never goes out in



Cole's Original - Hot Blast Heater

Even the cheapest grade of coal put in the night before will be a mass of glowing coke in the morning, and will heat your rooms perfectly for two or three hours without a fresh supply.

Burns anything—soft coal—hard coal—lignite or wood.

It is guaranteed.

COME IN AND SEE IT.

See the name "Cole's" on the feed door of each stove. None genuine without it

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Hardware and Furniture

You can also begin with 1 or 2 cents or 10 cents the first week and increase your deposit the same amount each week.

In 50 weeks:

1-cent club pays	$ 12.75
2-cent club pays	$ 25.50
5-cent club pays	$ 63.75
10-cent club pays	$ 127.50

You can put in $1.00 or $2.00 or $5.00 each week and in 50 weeks have $50 or $100 or $2.50.

You can start TODAY---START.

The First National Bank

SNYDER, TEXAS

BIG PEANUT MASS MEETING HELD AT HUBBARD SATURDAY

The announcment made in last week's News that there would be speaking on the streets, after which a Peanut Club would be organized drew a large crowd last Saturday afternoon. The speakers, Judge Peck and M. Harding, representing the Texas Peanut Works were introduced by Mayor Bowman. Judge Peck spoke first and told of the wonderful possibilities of the resources yet undeveloped. He was followed by Mr. Harding who outlined the plan of organization, told of the possibilities of the peanut in its wide range of by-products. The statement of facts concerning the many varieties of food for the human family and the feeds for animals and poultry, was aneye-opener to many who had never taken the time to post themselves on the subject. It was truly a peanut day for Hubbard and since that time the people have been talking peanuts until it has become contagious and it seems that peanuts are going to take the country. Mr. Harding in closing, said that the people of Texas would live to bless the day when they waked up to the possibilities of the neanut and cooperated with the promoters of the Texas Peanut Works by taking the stock.

The organization was affected through a system of pledge cards which were handed out after the speaking, in which the subscriber pledged himself to plant a certain number of acres in peanuts and to take as many shares in the Texas Peanut Works as they might wish. Many of the cards were filled out and have since been coming into the News office where they were instructed to leave them.

As stated by the speakers Saturday, Texas is an empire in herself, but heretofore we have squandered our glorious heritage by the one-crop system and allowing much of our land to be cultivated in crops that will not bring a profit tothe tenant nor the landlord. Tha proposed Texas Peanut Works opens the door to greater possibilities than we have dreamed of. With the by-products of the neanuts, produced by a factory such as this, and there are none like it in the southwest, the tenant and the landlord are offered a crop that will solve the feed problem in Texas and at the same time guarantee a money crop second to none now raised by the Texas farmer.—The Hubbard City News.

Stomach Trouble and Constipation

Those who are afflicted with stomach trouble and constipation should read the following: "I have never found anything so good for stomach trouble and constipation as Chamberlain's Tablets. I have used them off and on now for the past two years. They not only regulate the action of the bowels but stimulate the liver and keep one's body in a healthy condition," writes Mrs. Benjamin Hooper, Auburn, N. Y.

ROBERT LEE STAVELY REPORTED MISSING IN FRANCE

Mr. John A. Staveley received a message Monday from Seattle, Washington, a relay of a message sent there to Mrs. Culliton, stating that Robert Lee Staveley is missing and is believed to have been wounded in battle.

Robert Lee Stavely is a son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Staveley of Fluvanna and has been with the army in France for eighteen months. He formerly was in business in Seattle and Van Couver and the lady who received the message and forwarded it is the wife of the man with whom young Stavely was associated in business, hence the message was sent to her and forwerded by her to Mr. Stavely.

GOVERNMENT POWER AND INDIVIDUAL LIBERTY

Fuel Administrator Garfield learned that some coal dealers were refusing to co-operate with the Government in the distribution of coal and in prices and he promptly notified that shipments of coal would be diverted from them to the loyal dealers. In times of peace, people are privileged to do pretty much as they please, but there never has been a time when the property and person of a citizen could not be impressed for public purposes and now this prerogative of government must be put in operation. If a man is not willing to help save his country from ruin and dishonor, then he, consequences of disloyalty.

CITATION ON APPLICATION FOR PROBATE OF WILL

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Scurry County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be posted for ten days, exclusive of the day of posting, before the return hereof, in three of the most public places in Scurry county, one of which shall be at the Court House door, and no two of which shall be in the same city or town, copies of the following notice:

The State of Texas.

To all persons interested in the Estate of of Harbin Lafayette Smith, deceased. Hugh L. Smith has filed in the County Court of Scurry County, an application for the Probate of the last Will and Testament of said Harbin Lafayette Smith deceased, filed with said application, and for Letters Testamentary which will be heard at the next term of said court commencing on the 2nd Monday in January A. D., 1918, the same being the 14th day of January, A. D. 1918 at the Court House thereof in Snyder, Texas, at which time all persons interested in said Estate may appear and contest said application, should they desire to do so.

Herein Fail Not, but have you before said Court on the said first day of the next term thereof this Writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness W. M. Curry, Clerk of the County Court of Scurry County.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court at office in Snyder, Texas this the 4th day of December, A. D. 1917.

W. M. CURRY, Clerk,
County Court, Scurry County, Texas.

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The State of Texas

To all persons interested in the Estate of Mrs. Sarah J. McIver, deceased. M. Stacy has filed in the County Court of Scurry County, an application for Letters of Administration upon the Estate of said Mrs. Sarah J. McIver, deceased, which will be heard at the next term of said Court, commencing on the 2nd. Monday in January, A. D. 1918, the same being the 14th day of January, A. D. 1918 at the Court House thereof, in Snyder, Texas at which time all persons interested in said Estate may appearand contest said application, should they desire to do so.

Herein fail not, but have you before said Court on the said first day of the term thereof this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Snyder, Texas, this third day of December A. D., 1917.

W. M. CURRY,
Clerk County Court, Scurry County Texas.

Always Have PERUNA

Mrs. L. A. Patterson, 1399 Kentucky St., Memphis, Tennessee, writes:

"I have been a friend of Peruna for many years. I have used it off and on for catarrhal complaints and found it a very excellent remedy. I have a small family of children. Times are hard with us now. I can scarcely afford to do without Peruna, especially during the season of the year when coughs and colds are prevalent. We always recommend Peruna to our neighbors, for the benefit it has been to us."

For Coughs and Colds in the Home, Recommend It to Our Neighbors.

Those who object to liquid medicines can procure Peruna Tablets.

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Just one week more left to select your Christmas Gifts. We have added to our already large selection of gifts this lovely line of Silk Underwear. You will be delighted with the Simplicity, workmanship and material in these garments. Be sure to see them before deciding on HER gift.

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THANKSGIVING OBSERVED BY HERMLEIGH SCHOOLS

The following is a synopsis of the program rendered by the Hermleigh School pupils to a packed auditorium in the school building on Thanksgiving day at Hermleigh, under the auspices of Prof. W. W. Shields and his corps of teachers: Mrs. Blanch Patterson, Mrs. W. W. Shields, Miss Annie White, Miss Maude Hoskins.

Song—America.

Invocation—Rev. J. R. Plant.

Thanksgiving Song by 14 grade pupils.

Poem "The First Thanksgiving" by H. W. Harlan.

The Rumpus—Alma Hood.

Grandfather's Call—Song and Drill by 18 primary pupils.

Address: "Food Conservation"—Rev. Horton.

Speech—Simon Sogs Thanksgiving.

Address—County Supt. Black.

Address—Cullen C. Higgins.

Speech—Lee Bird.

Song and Drill "Topsy Turvey" by 7 primaries.

Generum's Thanksgiving—Walter Shields.

Yankee Doodle, Red Cross and Soldier Drill by 8 pupils.

My Dollie—Gladys Copeland.

Address—Judge Bullock of Colorado.

Reading: How Bennie's Prayer Was Answered—Miss Velma Foster.

Thanksgiving Dialogue—by four girls.

Reading: "Dont's"—by Lorene Copeland.

Hight School drill by 9 Red Cross girls and 9 soldier boys.

The program was nicely rendered, and the time was pleasantly passed by all who came as spectators, tho' the sand storm blew hard the early part of the afternoon, an interesting game of basket ball was played between the town team and the school team and the latter of whom was lous. After the program the wind had calmed and a nice game of basket ball was played by the senior girls on the school ground.

The children spread their dinner together and enjoyed a fine feast during the noon hour. Many of the citizens of the immediate country gathered in the afternoon and were filled with just pride in their childrens exercises and well they may have been for the school atmosphere in that community is a credit to any town or community.

The best wishes of the Signal go with them.

Dr. L. E. Trigg was here Monday from Hermleigh and said he found the weather quite cool and barcing.

Woodmen Elect Officers

Valentine Camp W. O. W. elected officers last Monday night.

H. F. Shuler, Consul Commander.
C. C. Prim, Advisor Lieutenant
W. W. Echols, Banker,
P. M. Bolin, Clerk,
Herman Huckabee, Escort,
J. C. Dawson, Sentry,
L. M. Deavours, Manager.

5 pounds good Peaberry Coffee for $1.00. 27tf
The Cash Cut Rate Store.

Ernest Noble, who is in business in Sour Lake is here this week to visit his parents, Col. and Mrs. J. Z. Noble.

Don't wait until your pipe bursts, then holler for a plumber. Have it done now and save the freeze expense Phone 87 J. T BELL & CO

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Weems have returned from Dallas where Mr. Weems was under treatment at a sanitarium.

District Attorney Leslie is here from Colorado this week getting ready for district court which opens here on the 24th.

The El Feliz Club

Mrs. James R. Welch had as her guests on Tuesday, December 4th the members of the El Feliz Club and Mrs. Coates, Miss Alexander, Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Stanfield.

After the usual short business session a number of games of forty-two were played, at the end of which the hostess, assisted by Mrs. C. S. Perkins served a dainty delicious luncheon.

On account of the next date of meeting December 21, being so close to Christmas time, and a busy time, December 14, was set instead with Mrs. Hugh Boren as hostess.

L. T. Condra has returned from Canadian and Amarillo and has gone to work for the Oil Mill.

CHURCHES

Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Sunday School 9:45 a. m. B. D. Black, Superintendent.

Morning Service at 11:00 o'clock. Preaching by the Pastor.

Epworth League: 6:15 p. m. One hour before church services.

Evening Service at 7:15 o'clock. Preaching by the Pastor.

Prayer Meeting Wednesday evenings.

Choir meets every Friday evening.

You are cordially welcome to our services.

A. W. WADDILL, Pastor

First Baptist Church

Teachers' Meeting at 9:30. Sunday School lesson at 10:00.

Preaching services at 10:40 and 7:00 o'clock. The themes for next Sunday are unique and along the lines of our thinking.

Morning Theme: The Devil's Mines in the Christian Sea.

Evening Theme: Christian Mines in the Devil's Sea.

These messages cover a great deal of territory and will be helpful to all. In this time when the seas of earth are so full of explosive mines and so much destruction is being done thereby, it is well for us as Snyder peoplet o think somewhat be our destruction except we be on beour destruction except we be on our guard. And also ought we to think about the mines that are to be destructive tothe cause of the Devil. Both messages you will want to hear.

Good music, worshipful singing and a happy time for all.

W. H. SIMS, Pastor.

Presbyterian Church

Sunday School 9:45. D. A. Clark, Superintendent.

Workers Conference first Sunday of each month immediately following Sunday school.

Westminster Guild meets second and fourth Thursdays at 4:00 p. m.

L. A. and M. S. meets second and fourth Mondays at 3:30 p. m. The first, third and fifth Monday afternoons are spent in work at the Red Cross rooms.

Christian Science.

The Christian Science Reading Room will be open in the parlor of Mrs. Watkins, 1 block east of the Central School building from 2:30 to 4:00 p. m. Wednesday of each week. The public is invited. 24pd.

Church of Christ.

Regular preaching by Eld. A. R. Lawrence on the third Sunday of each month.

How to Prevent Croup

In a child that is subject to attacks of croup, the first indication of the disease is hoarseness. Give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as soon as the child becomes hoarse and the attack may be warded off and all danger and anxiety avoided.

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The Don Cossacks are making new trouble in Russia for Germany and the Bolsheviki government.

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Chancellor Bonar Law of England announced Monday that Jerusalem has surretndered to British forces.

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A band of Villistas were ambushed one day last week by Federalists and were badly shot to pieces. It was reported that Pancho Villa's brother was killed in the fight.

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The District Judge at Austin held that Travis county has not the jurisdiction to try Ferguson on the embezzlement charge, but the conversion charge was not dismissed.

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Austro-German forces captured 16,000 Italian prisoners last week and are pressing hard on Italy's armies. Unless the British and French get into action pretty soon it will be too late.

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British and French troops have taken strong position on the Italian front and the Austro.Germans realize that their chance to overrun Italy is not so good.

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Halifax appeals for $20,000,000 to relieve the distress caused by the explosion there last week of a munition ship. The number of dead is estimated at four thousand and 20,000 people are without food and shelter.

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A two line report of a Kentucky county agents to the United States department of agriculture speaks volumes. This is his succinct account of his work: "Had a meeting at court house. I talked on whipping Germany with three B's—bread, bacon and beans.—Palo Pinto Star.

Then the war strategist added—"brains, bravery; bombs and bullets"

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The indictment against J. E. Ferguson at Austin was dismissed Saturday. The court consented that it was out of his jurisdiction. Here's guessing that there will be no further indictment in the matter.

WITH OUR EXCHANGES

Russell & Cockrell's printing plant in Amarillo was recently destroyed by fire. Loss $25,000. Insurance $15,000.

Richard McCarty of Albany wants to lease or buy a strong newspaper outfit. He says he is not broke, but drouth stricken.

Over at Lorenzo last week a party shipped in two or three pool and billiard tables with the intention of opening a pool hall. A number of the people of the town w aited upon him and after a conference he was induced to move his tables away from the town.—Plainview News.

Like the liquor business the people can frownthe pool hall out of countenance. People can have just about the sort of government they want if they stand pat for it.

We doubt if there is a town in the State the size of Rotan that has done as much for Red Cross. Last Thursday the citizens raised $624 in less than thirty minutes.—Rotan Advance.

That same active spirit is taking hold of the American people everywhere and Germany will not again sneer at the power of the United States.

The Stamford Leader is kicking because the loaves of bread are growing smaller. If a fellow is going to continue to eat just as much as he can stuff down, he must pay the difference. hTe Baker is not expected to do all the Hooverizing.

The Roby Banner already has a live candidate column. The boys are in a hurry in Fisher county.

The Colorado Record says it never has failed to rain in December. Stay with it old man. It takes grit to keep up the fight—but grit will win.

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Now is the time to have your plumbing work investigated, properly drained, etc and save money when the freeze comes. Phone 87 and we will attend to it. J. T. BELL & CO.

Christmas Gift. Pay it from Lockhart Grocery Company. Phone 179.

Fresh Oysters every day at the Owl Confectionery.

Eat your lunch with the Owl Confectionery. Chili, Sandwiches and Oysters. 18tf

Rob Strayhorn, Lee Stinson and Dr. J. E. Meador left here Monday for Camp Bowie to enlist in war service.

Chili! Chili!! Chili!!! The best in town at The Owl Confectionery. 18tf

Born, December 8 to Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Eastman, five miles west of town, a girl.

Born, December 11 to Mr. and Mrs Herman Blakely, three miles east of Snyder, a boy.

Fresh line cream chocolate just arrived. All kinds of candy at the Owl Confectionery. 18tf

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THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Scurry County, Greeting:

You are commanded to summon G. W. Hardin, J. A. Hardin, T. Hardin, A. Hardin, Mrs. O. L. Webb, J. C. Webb and J. D. Hardin by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not then in any newspaper published in the 32nd. Judicial District; but those on duty when registrant may in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest Judicial District to said 32nd Judicial District to appear at the next regular term of the County Court of Scurry County, to be holden at the Courthouse thereof, in Snyder, on the second Monday in January, A. D. 1918, the same being the 14th day of January, A. D. 1918, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 23rd day of June, A. D. 1917, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court, No. 587, wherein M. F. Cornelius is plaintiff and T. L. Hardin, A. Hardin, M. T. Hardin, G. W. Hardin, W. S. Hardin, J. A. Hardin, C. E. Hardin, I. M. Marchman, Ed. Marchman, Mrs. O. L. Webb, J. C. Webb and J. D. Hardin and Mrs. R. J. Hardin are defendants and plaintiff M. F. Cornelius in said petition alleging that W. B. Hardin, made and executed and delivered to plaintiff his certain promissory note in the principal sum of $262.00 bearing date of 2-22-1910 bearing 10 per cent interest from date until paid providing for 10 per cent on full amount due as attorney's fees in case said note is not paid when due and is placed in the hands of an attorney for collection or suit is brought on same, and executed by W. B. Hardin and R. J. Hardin to M. F. Cornelius.

That said W. B. Hardin is dead; that his estate has not been administered upon; that more than 12 months have elapsed since his death; that the heirs of W. B. Hardin have taken charge of the property belonging to said estate of said W. B. Hardin, deceased and have converted same;

Plaintiff prays judgment against defendants herein for any part of said estate appropriated by them and for execution against any part of said estate that has not been appropriated, for judgment against bondsmen on appeal bond filed in said cause and for general and special relief as well as costs.

Herein Fail Not, but have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the Seal of said Court at office in Snyder, Texas, this the 12th day of December, A. D. 1917.

W. M. CURRY, Clerk
County Court, Scurry County

NOTICE FOR PARTITION

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Scurry

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Scurry County:

You are commanded to summon Bertha Jeffries, Stela Jeffries, Jessie Jeffries, Taylor Jeffries and Lawrence Jeffries by making pubication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, to appear at the next regular term of the county court of Scurry county, to be holden at the court house thereof in Snyder, 2nd Monday in January, A. D. 1918, the same being the 14th day of January, D. D. 1918, then and there to answer the petition of Mrs. M. A. Bedwell administratrix, of the estate of L. P. Bedwell, deceased, filed in the county court of Scurry county, an application for the partition and distribution of said estate, and alleging that Mrs. M. A. Bedwell, John Bedwell, W. L. Bedwell, Taylor Bedwell, Belle Bedwell, Ora Crowder and Hubert Bedwell and Bertha Jeffries, Jessie Jeffries, Irene Jeffries, Lenard Jeffries, John C. Jeffries, are entitled to a share of said estate.

And then and there to show cause why said partition and distribution should not be made.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court on the first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness W. M. Curry, clerk of the County Court of Scurry County.

Given under my hand and seal of office, of said court, in the town of Snyder, this 12th day of December, A. D. 1917.

W. M. CURRY,
Clerk of the county court of Scurry County, Texas.

Issued this 12th day of December, A. D., 1917.

W. M. CURRY,
Clerk of the county court of Scurry County.

Classified Advertisements

'PHONE 88 RATES ONE CENT PER WORD FOR EACH INSERTION. NO AD TAKEN FOR LESS THAN 25 CENTS.

WANTED—A substitute for a Motor Rural Mail route. See the Postmaster or Motor Rural Carrier No. A. J. W. Hendryx. 27

STRAYED—One bay horse, branded "spade"; two bay mares no brand, one split right ear from my place 8 miles northeast of Colorado, December 4. Suitable reward for information. A. L. Scott, Colorado, Texas. 3

WARNING—I take this method of advising the public that the Grimes pasture is posted and parties violating the law will be prosecuted. All roads are closed through the Grimes pasture. Ed Burdine. 26

WANTED—From 4 to 10 sections of good grazing land in a body within forty miles of Snyder, Texas. I will pay spot cash for this land, not exceeding $8.00 per acre, must be a bargain. Write for full particulars giving location of land, what improvements, water and fences upon same, and how much in cultivation and how much in pasture, how much of land is suitable for cultivation and send the plat of the land showing the different positions of the sections. Address P. O. Box 481, Abilene Texas. 28

FOR SALE—A well equipped small job printing office, located at Coleman, Texas. A bargain for a live, wide-awake printer. Good town, fine opportunity. J. S. Hardy, Snyder, Texas.

FOR SALE—Modern five room bungalow, well improved and one of the best locations in Snyder. Address P. O. box 81, Snyder.

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Loans and Investments
West Side Square - - - Snyder, Texas
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TOY TOWN!

TOY TOWN is now open at J. H. SEARS & COMPANY

Every man, woman and child is cordially invited to call and inspect our wonderful display of toys for Christmas. This brilliant toy shop is open to all. Make this your shopping center. Any thing in toys for children as well as appropriate presents for mother and father, or brother and sister, will be found at this large Store. Every department is running over with Christmas Gifts for all.

TOY-TOWN

This is a brilliant toy shop; our entire upstair floor is given special for this occasion.

Mechanical in eye opening magnificense. Dolls by the Hundred, Animals by the ark full, sporting toys, rocking horses and autos.

Bring the children to this big toy shop it will be a treat to them.

Make this a place of amusement as well as your Christmas Shopping Center.

Appropriate Presents

will be found at this large store for all of the family. If it is for Son, Daughter, Father or Mother we have it.

We have made special efforts to select nice and appropriate presents for all this year, and do not feel that we are flattering ourselves when we make the broad assertion that we have the largest assortment of Chrismas Gifts and stock of Dry Goods in Snyder.

TOY-TOWN UP STAIRS. Do your Christmas shopping early and avoid the RUSH.

J. H. SEARS & COMPANY

The Christmas Shopping Center, SNYDER, TEXAS.

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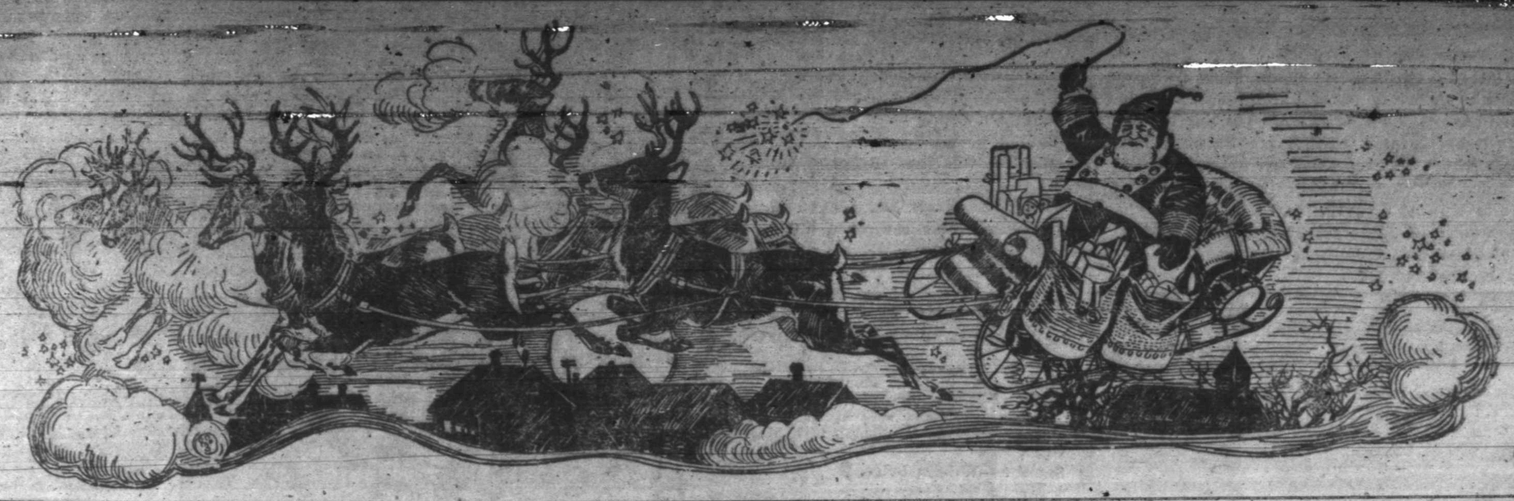

SANTA CLAUS LETTERS

Get 'em at Cress Carlisle's.

Snyder, Texas. Dec. 13, 1917
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy eight years old. I am in the third grade. I have tried to be a good little boy so I want some nuts, candies, a knife and two packagesof fire crackers and a manicure set.
Your friend,
CLEVE BLACKARD.

Get 'em at Cress Carlisle's.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want you to bring me a fairy tale book and a rubber ball and fire crackers and fruit. Your friend
ROBERT CURRY.

Get 'em at Cress Carlisle's.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want you to bring me the set of the boy scout books and a ball.
Your friend,
HUBERT CURRY.

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Dar good Santa Claus:
Please bring me a doll with a pretty face and curly hair.
And a tub and clothes pins and please if [illegible]nt betoo much troubl you ma[illegible] a few extra suits along for I [illegible] much to have my dolly look [illegible] all occasions. Bring a nice [illegible] doll to baby Hazel so she won[illegible] to muss mine and remember the little folks who wont have the pleasure we have.
MARCIA HOLCOMB.

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Snyder, Texas, Dec. 11, 1917
Dear Santa Claus:
We have tried to be good little children and we want you to bring us just lots of pretty things. I (Lillian) want a big sleepy doll with brown hair and a bed for it to sleep on and a dresser, and some dishes, and I want a rocking chair to rock my doll to sleep.
I (Rosser) want a spade, hoe and rake and a whistler ball and a barn yard.
I (W. B. Jr.) want a rake, and spade and hoe and a bouncing ball and a whistler, and a fire wagon. And, oh, Santa, I've got a little sister Dimpel that can almost walk. Please don't forget her.
And we all want fruit, nuts and candy and chewing gum if you please. Love to you,
LILLIAN and ROSSER and
W. B. Jr. ABBOTT.

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Camp Springs, Texas, Dec. 13th
Dear Santa Claus:
How are you by now? I hope you are fine. I am a little boy 7 years old and my name is Burnice Worley. Santa I want a pop gun that will shoot caps, some candy, fruits and nuts. Santa if you haven't got this I will be very thankful for any thing you will bring me. Remember little brother, sister mother and father. From your little friend that loves you.
BURNICE WORLEY

Get 'em at Cress Carlisle's.

Camp Springs, Texas, Dec. 13th
Dear Santa Claus:
How are you? I am just fine and hope you are the same.
I dont think you have much this year so I won't ask for much. I want a pop gun that will shoot caps and candy, apples, oranges nuts and butter nuts and all kinds of fruit.
Your little friend,
CECIL WORLEY

Get 'em at Cress Carlisle's.

Toyland, Dec. 14, 1917,

Dear Children:

I will be at my usual headquarters Christmas, Cress Carlisle's. I will have many nice gifts for you. One of the prettiest Dolls in Texas I have left in Cress Carlisle's window. To the girl between the ages of six and ten who will make the best drawing of same will receive this "Doll Free".

Hoping to see you all Christmas I am,

Yours truly,
OLD SANTA.

Dear Santa Claus:
Will you please bring me a doll, doll buggy, box of doll clothes and a tea set and I'll try to be a good girl next year. From your little friend,
LEERENE LOCKHART.

Get 'em at Cress Carlisle's.

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Dear Santa Claus:
I want a doll with straight hair, a trunk, some sparklers, some candy and some fruit.
Your friend,
RUTH BELLE BOREN.

Get 'em at Cress Carlisle's.

December 10, 1917
Dear Santa Claus:
We are so glad it is most time for you to come. There are many things we want, but there are so many little children who need warm clothes that we are not going to ask for all we want. Please bring us a large box of tools and a bench, and erector and foot ball, a doll with pretty hair and buggy for her to ride in. If you cant bring all these things bring what you think best for us.
Your little friends,
J. W. JR., and MARY KATHRYN FRAZIER.
P. S.—Will you please send them by express if we should go away before time for your coming.
J. W. and Mary Kathryn.

Get 'em at Cress Carlisle's.

Camp Springs, Texas, Dec. 13th
Dear Santa Claus:
How are you? I am just fine and hope you are the same. I think that you don't have much but I want a china doll and candy, oranges, apples, nuts, pecans and other fruits.
Your friend
EVELYN WORLEY

Get 'em at Cress Carlisle's.

Camp Springs, Texas, Dec. 13th
Dear Santa Claus:
How are you? I am just fine and hope you are the same. I think you don't have much but I want a whistle and candy, apples, orange, nuts and other fruits.
Your little friend,
C. D. WORLEY

Get 'em at Cress Carlisle's.

Get your Xmas nuts and candies at the Owl Confectionery.

Secretary of War Baker has advised Gov. Hobby that a large shipment of overcoats have been sent to Camp Bowie.

Snyder, Texas Dec. 11, 1917
Dear Santa Claus:
I want a doll with straight hair, a cradle, a little telephone with a bell, some candy, some fruit and some sparklers.
Your friend,
PAULINE BOREN

Get 'em at Cress Carlisle's.

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November 13, 1917.
Dear Santa:
Will you please send me a doll and some story books and some nuts and candy and fruit that will be all for this time.
Your friend,
HELEN BOREN.

Get 'em at Cress Carlisle's.

Snyder, Texas, Nov. 27
Dear Santa Claus:
Will you bring my sister a ring. Bring me a knife, skyrocket and roman candles and dont forget to leave Larry something.
Your little friend,
HUGH BOREN, JR.

Get 'em at Cress Carlisle's.

Dear Santa Claus:
I wish you would bring me two packages of fire crackers, 2 sky rockets, 3 Roman cannons and 1 box of tinker toys and 2 packages of baby giants. Thank you.
PRESTON MORGAN

Snyder, Texas, Dec 7, 1917
Dear Santa Claus:
I want you to send me a doll, a box of candy and an apple. I am glad Christmas is coming and now I can write to you. I live in a big house on the east side of the Santa Fe railroad. Santa Claus do you have to ride a long way to get to my house? If you do, why don't get tired. Well good old Santa Claus, I'll have to quit. So good bye.
Yours truly,
BETH SMITH.

Get 'em at Cress Carlisle's.

Snyder, Texas, December 11, 1917
Dear Santa:
You haven't forgotten us two boys over here in this part of town, have you. We want a gun, a knife and most anything that you think boys like us can use and don't forget to bring some nice eatable such as nuts, fruits and candy.
Your good friends,
N. R. and HENRY CLEMENTS

Get 'em at Cress Carlisle's.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am not ansking for many toys. I would like to have a book, a knife and a top. I would thank you for some fruit and candy. I had rather you would give tothe little ones who have papas in the war. Be sure and remember the orphans.
JAMES HOLCOMB

Dear Signal:
I want you to please tell old Santa Claus to remember a little place called Ira and all the little boys and girls here. I live here at Ira and all of my chums and school mates. We all want a few things and please, if there is little children that has no papa and mamma to buy for them, give most of the nice things to them and give us boys here what is left, but of course I hope there will be some nice candy and apples, oranges and a few toys left for us boys here at Ira. With much love to Santa Claus and best wishes tothe Signal I am yours truly,
ROBBY JONES

Get 'em at Cress Carlisle's.

Hermleigh, Texas, Dec 7, 1917
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl five years old. Please bring me a big large doll and a little set of dishes, some nuts, oranges and candy. Dear Santa, I have a little sister. Don't forget her. From
PEARL RAGSDALE

Get 'em at Cress Carlisle's.

Dear Santa Claus:
Will you plase bring me a train, tinker toys and a cowboy doll. I am in the first grade. Miss Ball is my teacher.
CHARLES LOCKHART, JR.

Get 'em at Cress Carlisle's.

SANTA CLAUS LETTERS

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Snyder, Texas, Dec. 10, 1917.
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy 3 years old and I try to help mamma and be good so I want you to bring me a little wagon and mule and a little red chair, big enough for a fat little boy to sit in and Santa be sure and don't forget to bring Ross Boy something nice for he brings in wood for mamma and he is a good little boy and bring us some candy, nuts and apples, oranges and anything else you have that it nice for your little friend
PORTER RENISON RILEY

Get 'em at Cress Carlisle's.

Snyder, Texas, December 11, 1917
Dear Santa:
I am a little 6th grade girl and need a bicycle awfully bad. But I won't ask for many things, only I like candy and fruit and a pretty doll if its not too much. Now please don't disappoint me.
Your little friend
WILLIE RUTH CLEMENTS.

Get 'em at Cress Carlisle's.

Snyder, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl two years old and I am a happy little girl. I am writing you a letter telling you what I want you to bring me. A doll and some oranges and candy and nuts and lots of other things. Your dear little girl.
MATTIE OPAL OOTHE

Get 'em at Cress Carlisle's.

Snyder, Texas, December 11, 1917
Dear Santa:
Rere I come asking again, for you to remember me but as I am trying to help "Hooverize" I will only ask for a nice little bicycle for a boy 9 years old. Now if you can't bring this, you needn't come at all.
Your loving friend,
JESSE CLEMENTS

Get 'em at Cress Carlisle's.

Snyder, Texas, December 10
Dear Santa Claus:
I have been a good little boy and I want you to bring me a little mule and wagon and lots of candy, nuts, apples and oranges and I wont ask for anything else as there is so many other little children for you to visit I am, your little friend,
TOMMIE TORRENCE RILEY
An Santa Claus, don't forget all the children and Soger boys away from home.

SHERIFF'S SALE
THE STATE OF TEXAS
County of Scurry

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain order of sale, issued out of the Honorable Justice court of Precinct No. 1, Scurry county, Texas on the 8th day of December, 1917 by D. F. Wilson, Justice of the Peace of said court, for the sum of one hundred eleven and 11-100 dollars and costs of suit under a judgment in favor of W. W. Rogers and R. E. Norwood in a certain cause in said court No. 2145 and styled W. W. Rogers and R. E. Norwood vs. P. W. Beauchamp, foreclosing a lien on the following property and placed in my hands for service, I, Geo. Epply, as constable Precinct No. 1, Scurry county, Texas did on the 8th day of December 1917 levy on certain personal property situated in Scurry county, Texas, described as follows, towit:

One sorrel mare, 15 hands high, 8 years old, no brand.

One bay mare, 15 hands high, 6 years old, no brand.

One bay mare, 15 hands high, branded S D on left thigh, 9 years old.

And levied upon as the property of B. W. Beauchamp and that on the 19th day of December, 1917 at the court house door of Scurry county in the town of Snyder, 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 personal property at public vendue for cash, tothe highest bidder, as the property of said B. W. Beauchamp.

And in compliance withlaw, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for 10 consecutive days immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Snyder Signal, a newspaper published in Scurry County, Texas for more than one year next preceding the date hereof.

Witness my hand this 8th day of December, 1917.
GEO. EPPLEY,
Constable Precinct No. 1, Scurry County, Texas.
A true copy, I certify.
GEO. EPPLEY,
Constable Precinct No. 1, Scurry County, Texas.

Notice of Final Account
THE STATE OF TEXAS
County of Scurry
In the County Court of Scurry County
January Term, A. D. 1918.
To all persons interested in the estate of L. P. Bedwell, deceased.

Mrs. M. A. Bedwell, administratrix, of the estate of L. P. Bedwell, deceased has filed her final account in the county court of Scurry County which will be acted on at the next term of this court, commencing on the 14th day of January, A. D. 1918 at which term all persons interested in said estate may appear and make objections thereto.

Given under my hand and seal of office, this 12th day of December, A. D. 1917.
W. M. CURRY,
County Clerk, Scurry County, Texas.
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Florida Oranges for Christmas at Lockhart Grocery Co. Phone 179.

Mr. E. J. Ely was here from Hermleigh to attend the funeral of his old friend J. B. Boles.

Florida Oranges for Christmas at Lockhart Grocery Co. Phone 179.

Now is the time to have your plumbing work investigated, properly drained, etc and save money when the freeze comes. Phone 87 and we will attend to it. J. T. BELL & CO.

You will get the Xmas spirit by trading at Lockhart Grocery Co. Telephone 179.

Mrs. W. B. Thrash and daughter of Hermleigh were pleasant callers at the Signal office and renewed for the Signal.

Richard Pearson and L. E. Allman of Colorado were here from Colorado Wednesday evening.

Wake Up! "Ye that sleepeth" get the Christmas spirit and trade with C. R. Lockhart Grocery Co. the balance of December. Phone 179.

Christmas Gift. Pay it from Lockhart Grocery Company. Phone 179.

Fresh Chocolate just arrived, 40c a pound. Owl Confectionery.

Chamberlain's Tablets

Chamberlain's Tablets are intend- [illegible] and constipation and have met with much success in the treatment of those diseases. People who have suffered for years with stomach trouble and have been unable to obtain any permanent relief have been completely cured by the use of these tablets. Chamberlain's Tablets are also of great value for biliousness. Chronic constipation may be overcome by taking Chamberlain's Tablets and observing the plain printed directions with each bottle.

According to the report filed by the Comptroller, the taxable values in Texas are $2,873,396,161. This is an increase over last year of $18,240,041.

[illegible] is a great favorite in the Army Canteens, where [illegible] pure, cool drinks may be sold. After drill or march, you can rely to see a long line of hot and dusty-throated soldier boys making a bee line for Beer. They know that there lies complete satisfaction, full refreshment and pure wholesomeness.

At home or abroad—at work or play—between meals or with meals, you will appreciate what we have done for you in [illegible]

A [illegible]

WALKER-SMITH CO.

Dealers BROWNWOOD, TEXAS

Junior B. Y. P. U. Program

Chain of sentence prayers.

Song: Somebody loves you, 'Tis Jesus.

Minutes. Business. Roll Call.

Judges, Darkness and Light:

(a) Prayer for reverence during rendering of program—Raymond Acton.

(b) Scripture Reading: Judges 2: 13-16—Fort Kelly.

(c) In the Days of Judges—Ora Popnoe.

Piano Solo—Louise Kemp.

Light in the Dark Places.

Deborah—Murl Pryor.

Gideon—John Sturdivant.

Samson—Wilelia Brice.

Samuel—Ruby Forrester.

Leader's Ten Minutes.

Plans for Christmas that will make other people happy.

Closing Song and Prayer.

Advertised Letters

December 11, 1917.

Gossett, J. J.,
Hendrix, J. I.,
Masios, Jesus
Osborne, Lelie,
Robinson, T. J.
Sabalo, Sr. Ynes
Watson, Mrs. Lizzie,

The above letters, if uncalled for within two weeks will be forwarded to the Division of Dead Letters, at Washington, D. C.

Respectfully,
E. B. BARNES,

Do You Buy Music

In the McKinley 10c edition you will find from Grade 1 pieces for the beginners tothe master compositions of the world's greatest composers, past and present, at the low price of 10c a copy. Call or send for a catalogue. I carry a big stock of lato popular songs. Instruction books for all instruments.

J. D. BOYD,
Music Store

Dr. and Mrs. A. R. Ponton of Lubbock were visiting in Snyder last Sunday, guests at the Manhattan.

See us for your Christmas Oranges, Apples and Nuts. 27tf
The Cash Cut Rate Store.

Born, December 6 to Mr. and Mrs. S. J. West in Snyder, a boy.

Over There and Over Here

Over there on the fighting front, and behind the lines the telephone is as indispensable as it is at home.

Over there troops are moved and battles fought, the movements of the enemy reported and supplies and munitions brought up by means of telephone communication.

Over here more thau 12,000 long-line operators have been specially trained for Government service. aad the Government at Washington keeps in close touch with every phase of war preparation and directs the work of a vast numberof industries upon Which the success of our armies will depend.

Over there and over here the great war captains and the captains of industry depend upon telephone carry out their plans successfully.

The Bell System is devoting all its great resources to the end that the work of preparing our armies for batfle and of sustaining them in the field, shall go on systematically and efficiently so that over here and over there, there may be co-ordinated and sustained effort which alone will bring the final victory.

The Southwestern Telegraph and Telephone Company

RIGID INSPECTION

If a [illegible] canis[illegible] It an inner tube after we have vulcanized it will fail to disclose any [illegible] process is not damaged parts. Our [illegible] restoring damaged tubes to their original newness. It saves the cost of new tubes which in these days of [illegible] prices is a matter worth serious consideration by everybody.

FULLILOVE GARAGE
Snyder, Texas

AUTOMOBILE DEALER WANTED!

CANNON BALL MOTOR CO
TEXICO, NEW MEXICO.

Wants to contract with reliable party to sell Automobiles, Farm Tractors and Trucks; no experience necessary. Strong new company With $10,000,000 capital. Get in on the gruond floor of this Giant Western Company and go the way of success. Apply to

C. A. ROBERSON BROKERAGE COMPANY,
Organizing representative,
Texico, New Mexico.

FOR CARRIAGE PAIR OR TRUCK TEAM

for saddle or any other horse we are prepared to supply the very best harness the money will buy and far better than the common run of harness at the price. Put us to the test and you'll be glad you did.

D. P. STRAYHORN
North Side Snyder, Texas

Opening Christmas Displays

33 1/3 Per cent reduction for Gift Giving

on all Coats, Coat Suits and Dresses.

Herewith we offer a few timely suggestions for Christmas Gift Giving, especially suinable to please the fairer sex:

Fancy Hosiery, Stock Collars, Gloves, Handkerchiefs, Fur Sets, Shoes, Towel Linen, Bath Sets, Linen Towels, Shirt Waists, Silk Petticoats, Middy Blouses, Silk Underwear, Fancy Hand Work Ivory Goods, Dry Goods Accessories.

Matthews, the Quality Store.

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Children Cry for Fletcher's

CASTORIA

The Kind You Have Always Bought, and which has been in use for over 30 years, has borne the signature of Chas. H. Fletcher and has been made under his personal supervision since its infancy. Allow no one to deceive you in this. All Counterfeits, Imitations and "Just-as-good" are but Experiments that trifle with and endanger the health of Infants and Children—Experience against Experiment.

What is CASTORIA

Castoria is a harmless substitute for Castor Oil, Paregoric, Drops and Soothing Syrups. It is pleasant. It contains neither Opium, Morphine nor other narcotic substance. Its age is its guarantee. For more than thirty years it has been in constant use for the relief of Constipation, Flatulency, Wind Colic and Diarrhoea; allaying Feverishness arising therefrom, and by regulating the Stomach and Bowels, aids the assimilation of Food; giving healthy and natural sleep. The Children's Panacea—The Mother's Friend.

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Only well-known Business College in West Texas. Thousands of firms nearer our Employment Department than any other. Money-back contract guarantees position. Catalogue FREE.

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I want to sell your land while this war is on. New people are coming in so list your land with me if you want to sell and I will do the balance. You will find me at Judge W. S. Adamson's office.

J. Z. NOBLE,
The Land Man

SNYDER ACTIVITIES OF THE RED CROSS

RED CROSS FLYING SQUADRONS.

In a united effort to bring Scurry County's Red Cross Membership up to the required quota, Friday, December 14th has been set apart as a day for special activity by every loyal and patriotic citizen of the county. It is a mark of great distinction to wear the badge and by the close of that day the leaders of this movement hope to have a membership of two thousand in the county. Possibly you cannot go to the front, the next best thing is to back up the boys who are there and to fail to render such service will class you as a slacker.

Patriotic programs will be given at the places mentioned below on Friday evening, December 14, beginning at 7 o'clock by the Red Cross Flying Squadrons, in each instance assisted by local talent.

Camp Springs—Judge Fritz R. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Fuller, Mrs. W. T. Manry, Miss Claribel Brown.

Bison—Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Rosser, Mr. and Mrs. Olin F. Hardy, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Howell, Miss Jewel Watts.

Bethel—Hon. C. C. Higgins, Mrs. C. C. Higgins, Mr. and Mrs. J. Monroe, P. Brady, Miss Nellie Higgins.

Independence—Prof. and Mrs. D. A. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Fish, Rev. W. W. Werner.

Fluvanna—Rev. W. H. Sims and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Grayum, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Chambless, Rev. and Mrs. Jas. H. Tate, Miss Dorothy Chambless.

Crowder—Hon. J. Z. Noble, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Leftwich, Mr. and Mrs. A. Johnston.

Ennis—Hon. W. W. Hamilton and wife, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Frazier, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Lockhart.

Loyd Mountain—Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Perkins, Mrs. B. G. Davenport, Mrs. Floe Hutcheson, Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Johnson.

Santa Fe—Hon. E. F. Smith and wife, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Renken, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Stanfield, Miss Ruth Baze.

Dunn—Hon. A. C. Wilmeth, John Staveley, Raymond Sims and others.

Ira—Hon. W. S. Adamson and wife, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Lockhart, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Towle, Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Strayhorn.

Hermleigh—Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Thrane, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Towle, Miss Ruth Buchanan.

Snyder—Rev. A. W. Waddill, Rev. L. S. Knight, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Barnes and others.

Specially selected music will be selected for these occasions.

EVERYBODY COME.

RED CROSS APPEAL

In substance each address will contain about as follows:

The organization at work in this meeting is an auxiliary of a regularly constituted Chapter of the Red Cross in Scurry County. We feel this work to be of more importance at the present time than any other in which we could be engaged.

The Red Cross originated through the fine sense of many years ago that the sick, wounded and dying soldiers on the battle field, as well as in the camps were being unnecessarily sacrificed by lack of attention, through the inadequacy of competent nurses, medical supplies, proper hospital facilities and nourishment.

The first organized work of this kind was done by Florence Nightingale in the Crimean wars. The next great war was that between our own states, at which time, Clara Barton and her helpers gave every comfort within range and their ability to nurse the soldiers of the North and South alike. After the war, by strenuous effort she obtained official recognition by the Congress of United States and from then on the Red Cross work has spread as an organized institution over the entire world. In peace times the work of the Red Cross has been mainly devoted to the alleviation of suffering, attendant upon great floods such as Galveston, etc; fires in Chicago, San Francisco earthquake; famine sufferers in India; disease epidemics in Serbia, in China, the relief of the Armenians in Turkey, etc.

Since the outbreak of the European war, Red Cross units from practically every civilized nation of the globe have saved the lives of hundreds of thousands. America alone has sent thousands of doctors and nurses and millions in money to the battle front and to the sufferers in Belgium, Poland, Serbia and other countries.

However, this work has been financed and supported largely by a few men of wealth up tothe present, but now that the boys of America from practically every community and home in the country will soon be on the firing line it is absolutely demanded of us all that we do even more than our part, that not a single life should be unnecessarily sacrificed because we at home have failed to do our utmost.

So far the women of the nation have plunged into this work wherever called upon without question, and, in fact, up to now, practically all that has been done has been accomplished by the American women.

It is sad to think that we men over the draft age, because we, so far have missed being called into the service of our country are sitting idly by, while the good mothers and sisters of men are doing their utmost for your sons. Men, wake up and realize that the longer you stand back in trying to do your utmost for your country that the longer the war must last and greater the sacrifice of life. Use your Sunday religion and give of your time and your substance to this great work which demands your assistance and is now practically the only thing in which you can help our boys at the front. Show them that you care and that you are not forgetting that their lives mean something to you.

If we fail, among those who shall have suffered by our neglect will be some of our own loved ones. So far only those who have volunteered or came within the draft age are called upon to sacrifice their lives on the battle front. The work that we are now engaged upon at home demands nothing of you but a part of your time and your resources and it is demanded of us that we do our utmost unhesitatingly.

Over the United States by Christmas eve the Red Cross must have 15,000,000 members. Scurry county's quota of this number is 2000 and you are called upon and expected to be among the number.

Let all the men in this audience who have given of their time and their means to the Red Cross, hold up your hands. It is as I thought. Will you men sitting here in health and enjoyment of your home fires permit our boys to suffer because of your neglect, because of your failure to give a few hours of your time a dollar or two of your means, that these young men may stand between you and the destruction of your government, which means your homes and your liberty and perhaps loss of your very lives. Fathers, mothers, brothers and sisters, at this point try to picture in your minds a battle field at the close of a winter's day, and among the thousands of wounded, whose blood crimsons the trampled snow, lies a young man suffering untold agony, such as none of us have ever known, gasping for breath, parched with thirst and slowly freezing to death, because there is not enough supplies, nurses, and doctors. As the night hours wear on and none come to his relief, the terrible thought comes to his mind that he is slowly bleeding and freezing to death and he prays that death shall come to end it all. In a few days or weeks the message comes that his life is added to the long list of lives sacrificed for our sake because we at home have failed to do the small part demanded of us. And whose boy?—your son, your brother.

Friends, to avert such needless sacrifices is the reason we as citizens must do all withino ur power and if we fail we do not deserve the protection that our government gives us. Make sacrifices and do everything possible to aid in this work, join the Red Cross tonight and it may be that your subscription alone will be the means of restoring one life to the health and happiness he has the right to enjoy as much as you and I have. Our Savior died that our peace in Heaven might be eternal. Our boys at the front are dying that your peace on earth may be assured.

A Dry Weather Blizzard

Early last Saturday morning the weather began turning colder and people realized a blizzard was on. By night a genuine freeze was here and Saturday night and Sunday brought just about as cold weather as is ever experienceed here. Thermometers registered down to 8 degrees above zero and all this without a drop of rain or a flake of snow.

Business has moved along as usual for it is rare indeed to have weather in this country when people can not go on with outside work. That is why is West Texas. There may be backsets but this country gets there just the same.

Today women are proud to show their skill in cake-making—*without expensive butter.* And they find, too, they don't need so many eggs and other rich materials. They are using wholesome Cottolene because Cottolene puts both economy and flavor into their cakes, cookies, pastry—into all their baking and frying.

RECIPE
Caraway Cookies

½ cup Cottolene	1 level teaspoon salt
2 cups sugar	Flour
2 eggs well beaten	1½ tablespoons caraway seeds
1 level teaspoon soda	
1 cup buttermilk	Raisins

Cream Cottolene, add sugar gradually, eggs, soda dissolved in milk, salt, seeds, and flour to make a soft dough. Chill dough, roll, cut. Place seeded raisin in center of each cookie.

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"The Natural Shortening"
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How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Medicine.

Hall's Catarrh Medicine has been taken by catarrh sufferers for the past thirty-five years, and has become known as the most reliable remedy for Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Medicine acts thru the Blood on the Mucous surfaces, expelling the Poison from the Blood and healing the diseased portions.

After you have taken Hall's Catarrh Medicine for a short time you will see a great improvement in your general health. Start taking Hall's Catarrh Medicine at once and get rid of catarrh. Send for testimonials, free.

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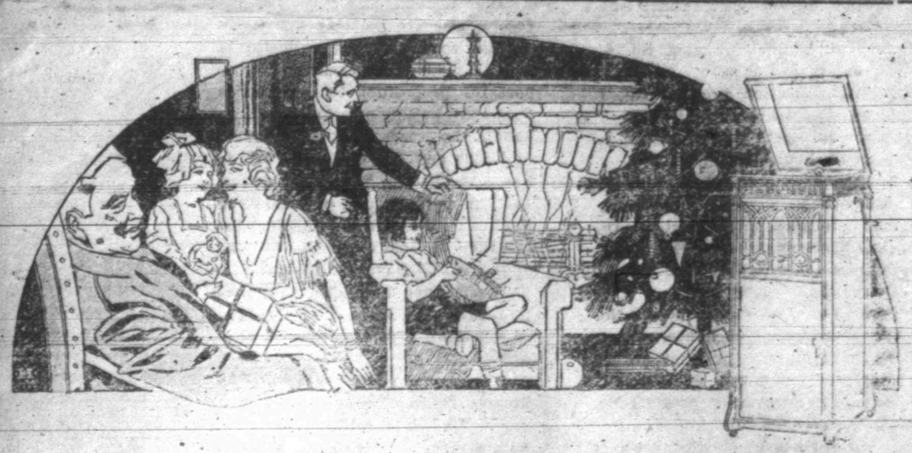

As a Family CHRISTMAS GIFT

This Wonderful Instrument

How much is spent in your family for Christmas Presents given to one another? Amounts to a substantial sum in the aggregate, doesn't it? And after all, many of the gifts aren't perhaps exactly appropriate. So often they reflect the donor's tastes rather than the recipient's.

Nowadays many families are eliminating the numerous small presents. They achieve the little personal touch through a card or leaflet and they pool their Christmas funds for the purchase of one really worthwhile gift one which will pay far bigger dividends in real solid enjoyment to each member of the family.

The NEW EDISON

makes an ideal group gift. It adds something real and vital to the life of each member of the family. You can't measure what it means in dollars and cents. It stands for countless happy hours; delightful evenings spent in absorbing the world's great music; listening to the world's greatest artists.

The New Edison is comparable to no other phonograph It actually re-creates the artist's voice or the music from his instruments. By re-create we mean that no human ear can detect the difference between the living artist's rendition and of the record. This is not a mere claim, it is a demonstrated fact. The famous tone test in which thirty great musicians sang or played in direct comparison with the New Edison's Re-Creation of their respective interpretations proved the truth of our assertion. Out of more than a million listeners not one could tell when the voice left off and the record began.

Come into our store and hear this wonderful instrument. The proof of the New Edison is in the hearing. And think over our suggestion of its purchase as a family gift.

GRAYUM DRUG COMPANY,

Maxwell

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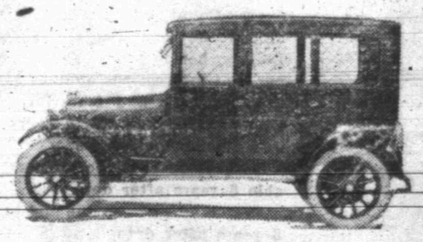

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It cannot FALL UP.

The inexorable law of gravity will not let it.

The price of the Maxwell closed cars—$1095—was fixed in accordance with another inexorable law.

For less than $1095 it would be impossible to give you closed cars combining—as they are combined in the Maxwell—beauty, grace, comfort, efficiency, durability, economy and standard equipment.

For more than that, on the other hand, you could only get larger size or fancier furnishings.

Besides the Maxwell 5-passenger Sedan, 6-passenger Berline and 3-passenger Coupe, all priced at $1095, we offer the Maxwell touring car with a beautiful all-weather top, priced, complete, at $855.

All prices f. o. b. Detroit

FULLILOVE GARAGE
Phone 178 Snyder, Texas

ROAD BOND ELECTION

Ordered For the Whole County Saturday, December 15, 1917.

NOTICE OF ELECTION

THE STATE OF TEXAS
County of Scurry

On this, the 13th day of November A. D. 1917, this Court being in regular session, came on to be considered the petition of J. P. Billingsley and one hundred fifty six other persons, praying that bonds be issued by said Scurry county, in the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars, bearing interest at a rate to be fixed by the Commissioners' Court, not to exceed five and one-half per cent per annum, maturing serially as follows: Ten thousand dollars, five years from date thereof, and the balance, four thousand dollars annually thereafter for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating macadamized, graveled or paved roads and turnpikes, or in aid thereof;

And it appearing to the Court that said petition is signed by more than fifty of the resident property taxpaying voters of said county, and that the amount of bonds to be issued will not exceed one-fourth of the assessed valuation of the real property of such county;

It is therefore considered and ordered by the Court that an election be held in said county on the 15th. day of December, A. D. 1917, which is not less than thirty days from the date of this order, to determine whether or not the bonds of said Scurry County shall be issued in the amount of One Hundred Thousand Dollars, bearing five and one-half per cent interest per annum, payable semi-annually, and maturing serially, not later than thirty years from date thereof, as follows:

$10,000.00 shall be due and payable 5 years after date.

$4,000.00 shall be due and payable 6 years after date.

$4,000.00 shall be due and payable 7 years after date.

$4,000.00 shall be due and payable 8 years after date.

$4,000.00 shall be due and payable 9 years after date.

$4,000.00 shall be due and payable 10 years after date.

$4,000.00 shall be due and payable 11 years after date.

$4,000.00 shall be due and payable 12 years after date.

$4,000.00 shall be due and payable 13 years after date.

$4,000.00 shall be due and payable 14 years after date.

$4,000.00 shall be due and payable 15 years after date.

$4,000.00 shall be due and payable 16 years after date.

$4,000.00 shall be due and payable 17 years after date.

$4,000.00 shall be due and payable 18 years after date.

$4,000.00 shall be due and payable 19 years after date.

$4,000.00 shall be due and payable 20 years after date.

$4,000.00 shall be due and payable 21 years after date.

$4,000.00 shall be due and payable 22 years after date.

$4,000.00 shall be due and payable 23 years after date.

$4,000.00 shall be due and payable 24 years after date.

$4,000.00 shall be due and payable 25 years after date.

$4,000.00 shall be due and payable 26 years after date.

$4,000.00 shall be due and payable 27 years after date.

$2,000.00 shall be due and payable 28 years after date.

and whether or not a tax shall be levied upon the property of said County subject to taxation for the purpose of paying the interest on said bonds, and to provide a sinking fund for the redemption thereof at maturity.

Notice of said election shall be given by publication in a newspaper published in said county for four successive weeks before the date of said election and in addition thereto there shall be posted notices of such election at three public places in the county, one of which shall be at the court house door, for three weeks prior to said election.

Said election shall be held at Snyder in election precinct No. 1 at Courthouse.

Cottonwood Flat, in election precinct No. 2, Cottonwood Flat schoolhouse.

Ennis in election precinct No. 3, at Ennis schoolhouse.

Dermott, in election precinct No. 4 at Bookout school house.

Fluvanna in election precinct No. 5 at Fluvanna school house.

Conro in election precinct No. 6, at Conro school house.

Bison, in election precinct No. 7 at Bison school house.

Sharon in election precinct No. 8, at Sharon school house.

Ira in election precinct No. 9 at Ira school house.

Bethel in election precinct No 10, at Bethel school house.

Dunn in election precinct No. 11 at Dunn school house.

Lonewolf in election precinct No. 12 at Lonewolf school house.

Pyron in election precinct No. 13 at Pyron school house.

Hermleigh in election precinct No. 14 at Hermleigh school house.

Camp Springs in election precinct No. 15 at Camp Springs schoolhouse.

Canyon in election precinct No 16, at Canyon schoolhouse.

Loyd Mountain in election precinct No 17 at Loyd Mountain schoolhouse.

And the following named persons are hereby appointed managers of said election.

Precinct No. 1—P. M. Bolin,
Precinct No. 2—F. J. Helms,
Precinct No. 3—J. D. Robinson,
Precinct No. 4—J. A. Scrivner,
Precinct No. 5—J. B. Bley,
Precinct No. 6—J. R. Higgins,
Precinct No. 7—H. C. McCormick,
Precinct No. 8—W. P. Thompson
Precinct No. 9—M. L. Hill,
Precinct No. 10—A. E. Dennis,
Precinct No. 11—J. H. Byrd,
Precinct No. 12—L. L. Seale,
Precinct No. 13—W. A. Bowen,
Precinct No. 14—Sam Barfoot,
Precinct No. 15—J. R. Kincaid,
Preceinct No. 16—A. J. Carnes,
Precinct No. 17—O. L. Morrow,

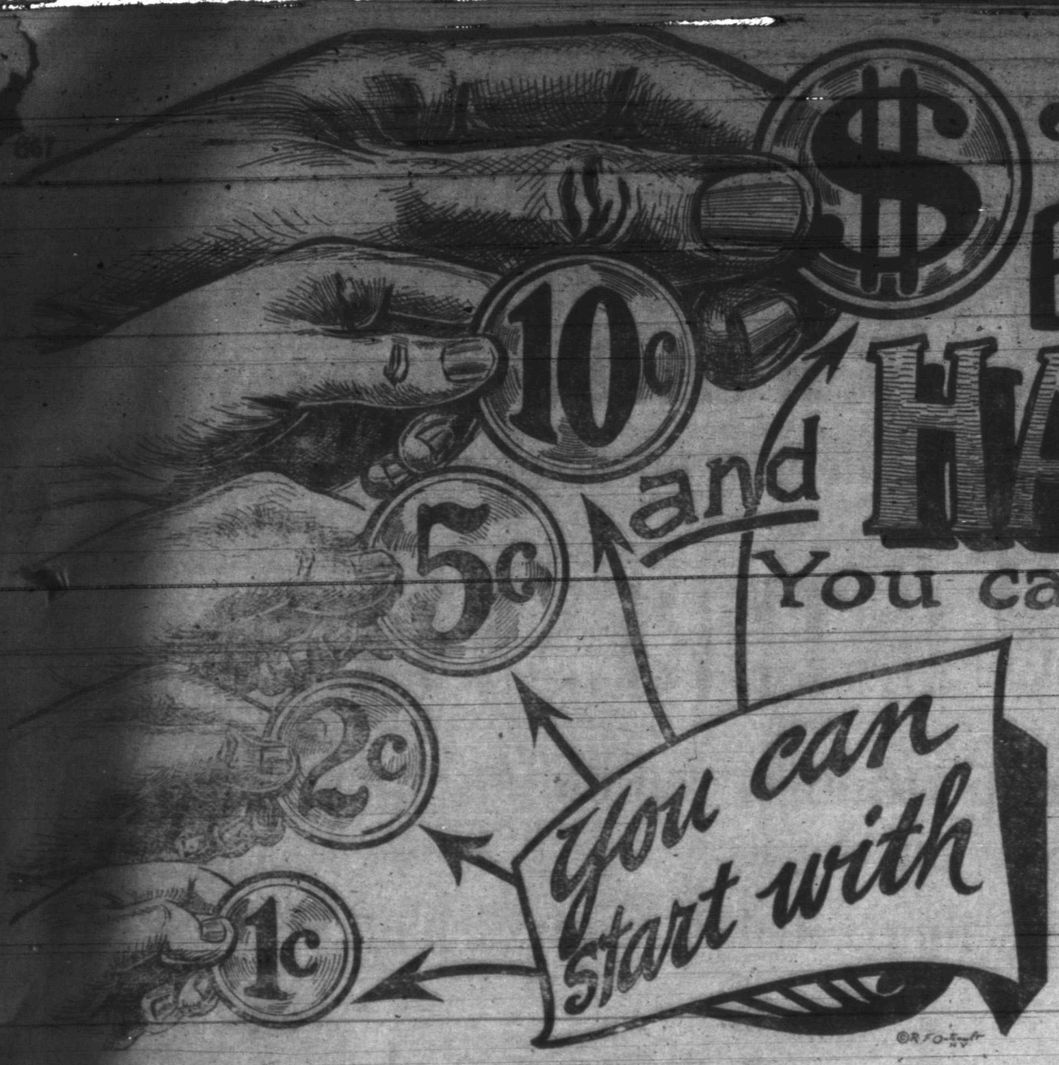
Said election shall be held under the provisions of Chapter 2, Title 18 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1911 as amended by the Thirty-fifth Legislature at its Regular Session, and only qualified voters, who are property tax payers of said county shall be allowed to vote, and all those desiring to support the proposition to issue bonds shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "For the Issuance of Bonds and Levying of the Tax in Payment Therefor," and those opposed shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "Against the Issuance of Bonds and the Levying of the Tax in Payment therefor."

The manner of holding said election shall be governed by the laws of the State governing general elections.

A copy of this order signed by the County Judge of said County shall serve as a proper notice of said election, and the County Judge is directed to cause said notice to be published in said County for four successive weeks next preceding said election, and cause to be posted a notice thereof at three public places in the County, one of which shall be at the Courthouse door, for three weeks prior to said election.

W. S. ADAMSON,
County Judge, Scurry County, Texas

VOTE FOR THE BONDS!



JOIN OUR CHRISTMAS BANKING CLUB and HAVE MONEY

You can start now

our Christmas Banking Club and it is an easy way to have money next Christmas. The plan is simple! You start with 10c, 5c, 2c or 1c and increase with the same amount each week.

Or you can deposit 50c, $1.00, $5.00 or more each week and deposit the same amount each week.

Look at the different Clubs in table below and select the one you wish to join the 1, 2, 5, 10, 50c, $1.00 or $5.00—then come to our Bank with the first weekly payment. We will make you a member of the Club and give you a Christmas Banking Club Book, showing the Club you have joined.

What The Different Clubs Will Pay You

1c Club	2c Club	5c Club	10c Club	50c Club	$1.00 Club	$5.00 Club	X Club
PAYMENTS	PAYMENTS	PAYMENTS	PAYMENTS	PAYMENTS	PAYMENTS	PAYMENTS	FOR
1st Week . . . 1c	1st Week 2c	1st Week 5c	1st Week 10c	1st Week 50c	1st Week . . . $1.00	1st week . . . $5.00	$2, $3, 4, $10 or any amount
2nd Week . . . 2c	2nd Week 4c	2nd Week 10c	2nd Week 20c	2nd Week 50c	2nd Week . . . $1.00	2nd week . . . $5.00	
3rd Week . . . 3c	3rd Week 6c	3rd Week 15c	3rd Week 30c	3rd Week 50c	3rd Week . . . $1.00	3rd week . . . $5.00	
Increase Every Week by 1c. Total in 50 Weeks	Increase Every Week by 2c Total in 50 Weeks	Increase Every Week by 5c Total in 50 Weeks	Increase Every Week by 10c Total in 50 Weeks	Deposit 50c Every Week Total in 50 Weeks	Deposite $1.00 Every Week Total 50 Weeks	Deposit $5.00 Every Week Total 50 Weeks	
$12.75	$25.50	$93.75	$127.50	$25.00	$50.00	$250.00	

YOU CAN BEGIN WITH THE LARGEST PAYMENT FIRST AND DECREASE YOUR PAYMENTS EACH WEEK.

THE REASONS FOR THE CLUB—To provide a way for those of moderate and even small means to bank their money.

To teach "the Banking habit" to those who have never learned it.

It makes your pennies, nickels and dimes, often foolishly spent grow into dollars; dollars grow into a fortune. Start your fortune today.

To give you a bank connection and show you how our Bank can be of serivec to you.

FOR OLD AND YOUNG—The sensible thing for all parents to do is to join our Christmas Banking Club and also put every member of their family into it. This will teach them the value of money and how to bank and HAVE MONEY. Maybe this little start you give them now may some day set them up in business or buy them a home.

How often have you wished that your parents had taught you early the value of banking your money. You would be well off today. Don't make the same mistake with your children.

WE PAY 4 PER CENT INTEREST IN OUR CHRISTMAS BANKING CLUB

The First National Bank of Snyder, Texas

A WEEKLY REPORT FROM CAMP TRAVIS

ACTIVITIES OF SCURRY COUNTY SOLDIERS REPORTED FOR THE SIGNAL.

Too much stress cannot be laid upon the splendid tonic effect letters from home have on the soldiers of Camp Travis. These letters are looked forward to with a zest that can be compared only with the expectations of a child at Christmas time. When the mail comes and is distributed and there is no word from relatives and friends, it takes a terrible amount of mental shaking to loosen the feeling of disappointment in the heart of the soldier-boy. Mother is naturally expected to write often, and Mother seldom fails her boy. But Maude and Mabel, Elsie and Alice are the ones the soldier-boys think about the hardest and fret over the most when they fail to write. There is just a sort of feeling that can't be accurately described in the hearts of the soldier boys, when they don't hear from their sweet hearts, perhaps some fellow who is at least 35 per cent slacker has cut a corner and has got in the good graces of the "girl left behind." The more letters the soldier receives the better soldies they are, and then the extra cent now put on ever letter makes it just that much surer that Berlin will be reached.

All of your laundry for one largestmonth, no matter how much at a flat rate of $1.50. This is what Uncle Sam's big laundry at Camp Travis charges the soldier boys and collects at the end of the month. The Soap Suds Factory is the largest of its kind in the world and contains some of the most modern and expensive laundry machinery. The task of sorting and classifying laundry for 30,000 soldiers is no small task when it must be taken into consideration that all of these clothes are exactly alike. This giant laundry does even more for the soldiers than guaranteeing him the return of his own clothes, clean and ironed. They all come back mended. Buttons that have been lost in drilling are replaced. Rents that have been made in crawling through the brush have been neatly sewed. There are 132 machines for pressing that cost $30,000 alone. There are 24 washing machines that cost $10,000. Twenty marking machines costing $6700. Flat work ironers cost $22,000.

Twenty two trucks are attached to the laundry for carrying the clothes back and forth. Four hundred and sixty six windows furnish light and ventilations for the building which is 500 feet wide and 500 feet long. The laundry is under the direction of the government.

A Hostess House has been erected at Camp Travis for the purpose of offering a place where soldiers can entertain their mothers, sisters and sweethearts when they come to visit them at Camp Travis. The Hostess House is a large, wide-spread, one-story building with a screened porch, big living room, simply but attractively furnished and with a large open fire place at one end. There are arrangements for a tea room with service on the Cafeteria plan and a comfortable rest room. The Hostess House is conducted under the auspices of the Young Woman's Christian Association. If you are coming to Camp Travis to visit your friends or family, the Hostess House is an ideal place where you can be entertained.

The Scurry County Boys

Private Elmer E. Harrington, Headquarters 315th Trains and Military Police. Elmer has resumed the duties as stable sergeant—having been absent with measles. His wife is in San Antonio, and he is a happy man again.

Private DeWitt T. Marshall, Headquarters 315th Trains and Military Police. DeWitt looks like a real dressed up soldier with his new O. D. uniform. Its issue was timely too, for another cold wave has struck.

Corporal Clinton L. Ware of Fluvanna is attending the French school.

James M. Hutcherson, of Kaufman county, of Co. C, 345 Machine Gun Bn., is one of the best mule handlers in the company and has never had any trouble with his Machine Gun mule. He is getting fat and is well pleased with the service.

The Scurry county boys in Co. 3 315th Motor Supply Train are all doing fine. We are drilling hard, but it seems to agree with us. All spent a very enjoyable Thanksgiving.

LIVER DIDN'T ACT DIGESTION WAS BAD

Says 65 year Old Kentucky Lady, Who Tells How She Was Relieved After a Few Doses of Black-Draught.

Meadowville, Ky.—Mrs. Cynthia Higginbotham, of this town, says: "At my age, which is 65, the liver does not act so well as when young. A few years ago, my stomach was all out of tune. I was constipated, my liver didn't act. My digestion was bad, and it [illegible] me. My appetite [illegible] very weak. I decided to would give Black-Draught a trial as I knew it was highly recommended for this [illegible] it. I felt [illegible] My appetite improved and I became stronger. My [illegible] and the last [illegible] with a few doses of Black-Draught."

Seventy years of successful use has made Thedford's Black-Draught a standard, household remedy. Every member of every family, at times, need the help that Black-Draught can give in cleansing the system and relieving the troubles that come from constipation, indigestion, lazy liver, etc. You cannot keep well unless your stomach, liver and bowels are in good working order. Keep them that way. Try Black-Draught. It acts promptly, gently and in a natural way. If you feel sluggish, take a dose tonight. You will feel fresh tomorrow. Price 25c. a package—One cent a dose. All druggists. J. 62

CITATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS
County of Scurry
IN PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the Estate of Mrs. M. R. Sumruld, deceased:

V. D. Sumruld, administrator of the estate of Mrs. M. R. Sumruld, deceased, has filed his account for final settlement in the probate court of Scurry County, Texas, which will be acted upon at the next regular term of the County Court of Scurry County, Texas, commencing on the 14th day of January, A. D., 1917 at which term all persons interested in said estate may appearand make objection thereto.

Given under my hand and seal of office this the 12th day of December, A. D. 1917.

W. M. CURRY,
Clerk of the County Court of Scurry County, Texasa. 30

MUSIC AND EXPRESSION CLUB ORGANIZED

Teachers (and those who have teachers) of music and expression met at the home of Mrs. Frazier on Saturday afternoon at four o'clock and organized a music and expression club.

Mrs. Frazier, through whose efforts the meeting was brought about was elected president, Mrs. Watson was elected vice-president, Mrs. Banks, secretary and treasurer and Mrs. Fish, reporter.

Committees were appointed and are ready for work. Other members are Mesdames Barnes, D. A. Clark, R. G. Davenport, Hamilton, Floe Hutcheson, McClanahan, Ponder Mc. Mc. Mullen and Taylor.

All present were very much enthused over the work we expect to do and we are hoping to do something worth while for our town, as well as to help ourselves and each other.

After our business session, Mrs. Frazier served to us, hot chocolate and waffers, which was very much enjoyed by all.

The first meeting of the club will be with Mrs. Banks on the second Saturday of January, 1918.

—Reporter

Judge Cullen C. Higgins has been at Haskell this week assisting in the prosecution of Will Lumsden, charged with murder in connection with the killing of J. F. Bostick near Rotan in March, 1916. Jim Stinson and the District Attorney are also in the prosecution and Jim Cunningham and others are defending.

Vulcanizing.

Have your old Casings vulcanized, when new. We will buy your old casings. We have some bargains in used casings. Bring us your tire trouble. We positively guarantee our work.

A. P. MORRIS,
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CHICHESTER S PILLS
DIAMOND BRAND
Beware of Counterfeits. Refuse all Substitutes.

The GIFT SHOP

Our Christmas Offerings

Are far Superior to the Average and surely you can Easily make

a suitable selection from the enormous line now on display.

A Word to Those INTERESTED:

Your earnest consideration is respectfully urged during the remaining few days left to make your purchases.

Notice the splendid variety here illustrated and on display in our store and show windows.

We bought our goods prior to the heavy war tax and will protect our customers from high price-burdons.

See last week's Synder Signal for our prices.

H. G. TOWLE, Jeweler

R. H. Mitchell and family have returned from Silverton.

Andy Kemp was here Wednesday from Hermleigh.

Rev. W. H. Sims is on a business trip to Dallas this week.

Do Your Bit

YOU CAN CONTRIBUTE DIRECTLY

Every good citizen at this time should do his share toward strengthening the Federal Reserve Banking System with its billion dollars of resources which our government has created to stand back of its member banks and all their depositors.

You can contribute directly to the strength of this system and at the same time secure its protection, by depositing your money with us, since part of every dollar you deposit with us goes directly into the new system.

This is a suggestion for prompt action.

THE SNYDER NATIONAL BANK

Member Federal Reserve System

SNYDER, : : : : : : : TEXAS

Wake Up! "Ye that sleepeth" get the Christmas spirit and trade with C. R. Lockhart Grocery Co. the balance of December. Phone 179.

Don't wait until your pipe bursts, then holler for a plumber. Have it done now and save the freeze expnse. Phone 87. J. T BELL & CO

Is this Lockhart Grocery? What have you in fresh fruits? We have
Apples,
California Oranges,
Florida Oranges,
Red Emperor Grapes,
Bananas,
Grape Fruit,
Cranberries,
Figs,
Dates,
Dates,
Raisins,
Walnuts,
Almonds,
Brazil Nuts
Pecans (with or without.)
Fresh Cocoanuts,
Fresh Sweet Potatoes,
Irish Potatoes,
Sweet and Sour Pickles (bulk or bottle.)
Jams,
Jellies,
Have any kind of syrup.
Oh, well I just wanted to know about the fruit.
I beg your pardon madam, but we have so many good things to eat, I just had to tell it. Our phone is 179. Call again.

Dr. Warren has gone to Post to see his son Will who is reported sick with pneumonia.

Family Dr. and Santa Claus are coming to our Drug Store for their Christmas Gifts.

It will not cost you a "Fortune" to come to our Drug Store and buy exquisite presents for every member of your family and for your friends.

For 25 or 50 cents or a dollar or only a little more, we can sell you an acceptable Christmas gift.

Just take our "Tip" and come in and see our Christmas Gift Goods. And remember that when you deal with us you can "RELY" on what you buy.

Graham Drug Co.

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HOLIDAY STATIONERY

Jacobs Made Last Night

Nice stationery is always a suitable Gift and is rendered still more suiable by the beautiful packages put up for Gift purposes. We have a superb line of Plain and Holiday Packages. Be snre to see these before making your selections.

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