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PRICE FIVE CENTS

State-Wide Pro Law is Knocked Out

"The Enemy is Now at Our Gates"

Americans and British Begin a New Drive

Copenhagen, Oct. 23.—Prince Max. in addressing the German Reichstag this morning, warned the German people to prepare for any eventuality.

"The enemy is at our very gates" said the German chancellor "and the German people have spoken to Wilson accepting the American terms for an armistice. I say only the president of the United States must first answer Germany's peace efforts."

Miss Jennie Bennett left for Beard, Wednesday morning, where she goes to accept a position in the schools of that city, having recently been elected to teach the fifth grade. Miss Bennett taught for a number of years in the Ballinger schools but has not been teaching for the past two or three years.

Paris, Oct. 23.—Front dispatches received here today state that the British have taken Valenciennes, routing the enemy with severe losses.

London, Oct. 23.—The British and Americans launched a vigorous attack early today on Le Chatcau Soulesmes front, Gen. Haig reports.

The troops of both British and American armies made good progress, the British capturing Brunay, three miles northeast of Valenciennes while the Americans advances gained important villages and netted the capture of German prisoners.

The British advanced one mile on a front of from five to six miles in the new drive made early today.

Rev. C. W. Hardin and family, of Ozano, have moved to Ballinger where they will make their home for awhile.

J. W. McCracken, who came here to bury his wife, returned to his home at Palestine, Tuesday afternoon.

DEATH CLAIMS ANOTHER YOUNG MAN

This city is again called upon to mourn the loss of another young man in the person of Lew Wilmett, the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Claud Wilmett. He departed this life at 3:45 Wednesday morning after an illness of several days with pneumonia, superinduced by influenza. All that medical skill tender nursing and loving hands could do, served only a consolation to the bereaved relatives that their son and brother did not suffer for anything within the power of physical man to give. He was one of the many thousands who have fallen victim to the awful epidemic which has been sweeping this country for the past two weeks.

Lew Wilmett was born in McKinney, Texas, and had he lived until next Christmas, he would have celebrated his thirtieth birthday, having been born on December 25th, 1895. He was the only son in a family of three children, two sisters, Mrs. Joe Blagg, and Miss Fannie Wilmett both being at home and present when their brother died. He came to this city with his father and mother several years ago, when the family moved here from McKinney. Those who formed his acquaintance also formed his friendship, and there was perhaps no young man in this city who had as few enemies, if any enemies at all.

Lew was within the draft age and when filling his questionnaire he waived all claim for deferred classifications and offered himself for service. He was placed in Class 1-A, but when called for physical examination it was found that he would have to under go

treatment at Base Hospital for some physical defect before he could be inducted into general service. The manager of the local board stated that the young man repeatedly called on him, stating that he was ready to go and urged that the board send him to the hospital so he could get into military service. The board had no authority for sending men in his class until those physically able had been called. This deprived Lew of serving his country as he was anxious to do.

Being the only son he was naturally the pride of this happy home, and his death is a shock seemingly almost unbearable to the devoted parents and sisters. Many friends sympathize with them in the dark hours through which they are passing, and point them to an all wise God who does all things for the best.

Funeral services will be held at the residence, 509 Broadway, at ten o'clock Thursday morning, Rev. J. H. King and J. B. Curry conducting the services, and interment will be made in the City Cemetery.

COUNTY RECEIVES LIBERTY LOAN FLAG

Judge O. L. Parish, county chairman of the Liberty Loan committee, received the "over the top" Liberty Loan Flag awarded to this county for selling its quota of Liberty Bonds of the Fourth issue.

The flag will be raised as soon as the committee can look after the details. On account of sickness and other important duties placed upon members of the committee, the work of making final report of the campaign just closed has been delayed.

The county went over the top with an excess of more than ten thousand dollars worth of bonds, and delayed applications which had not been checked up will swell the grand total.

FEW NEW CASES OF FLU REPORTED

Several new cases of influenza were reported today. The family of Robert Herring is among the newly affected families, but are not seriously ill.

W. A. Francis is still quite sick, having developed a genuine case of "flu," but his condition is not serious.

W. L. Smith is at the point of death, and there is little hopes for his recovery.

As the disease runs its course people are becoming more careful and greater precautions are being used to stop the spread of the malady.

D. J. Johnson, traffic superintendent of the West Texas Telephone Co., was here Wednesday from Brownwood.

Austin, Oct. 23.—The court of criminal appeals handed down a decision today declaring the state wide prohibition law passed by the last called special session of legislature unconstitutional.

The decision permits the resumption of the sale of liquor in restricted territory in this state which is not affected by the ten mile zone law or the local option laws.

The ruling of the court will re-establish the liquor business in counties which were wet when the state wide law went into effect, except where the ten mile zone law prohibits the sale of liquor.

DEMOCRATS SHOULD VOTE NOV. 4

Dallas, Texas, Oct. 23, 1918.

M. H. Wolfe, Chairman of the State Democratic Executive Committee gives out Statement.

All democrats in Texas are urged to vote in the November election. Texas is the banner democratic State in the Union and we are under sacred obligation to all mankind. The Texas democracy is directly responsible for President Wilson being in the White House today.

At the Baltimore Convention it was the superb leadership of the Texas delegation that put Hon. Woodrow Wilson over the top and made him the democratic nominee for President of the United States.

Two years from now the Texas democracy will have another chance to perform an everlasting service to this country and to the other nations of the world, and our ability to serve will be measured by our loyalty to the principles of Democracy. Furthermore we owe to our young Gov. W. P. Hobby the unanimous endorsement of the people of Texas for his fearless and matchless stand in favor of good government when the interest of the people of the state and nation were hanging in the balance.

Let no loyal democrat be a slacker in this hour of world crisis, vote Tuesday Nov. 5th, 1918.

Miss Louise Orgain is at home from an extended visit in Dallas, returning Sunday.

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A. W. Sledge Editor

Uncle Sam is going in debt on a big scale to carry the war to a successful end, and he is borrowing the money from the American people. The man with money must help do the loaning or suffer the consequences. Pay your W. S. S. Pledge.

The city is overlooking a good opportunity to fill up the mud holes in the streets. Gravel screened and properly placed in the mud holes while they are full of mud will stick like concrete and serve as temporary relief.

The government is exacting a big service from the newspapers of the country in demanding that they devote one-third of their space to war work. No other line of business is devoting one-third of its facilities to war work without remuneration. We are glad to do it.

Party leaders are fearful of a light vote in the general election next month. Every democrat at home should go to the polls on November 5th and vote. The representation of the county in party affairs is at stake, as many voters are away from home. Vote by all means vote.

Not in the history of this happy and progressive little city has so many homes and so many hearts been saddened by death in so short a time as during the last ten days. Within the last week the doors of three business houses have been closed and draped in epe denoting that death had left its sting upon the members of the firm. Yet, when compared with other cities of equal size, we have suffered no greater than others, and we must not complain. Death is certain, coming to all, and the epidemic is only to remind us that the grave can not be robber of its victory.

ELEVATING A BUSINESS

The Bangs Enterprise has suspended publication, while the San Angelo weekly Standard and Dublin Progress have advanced their subscription rates to \$2 per year. Newspapers are in hard lines these war times and it will take considerable reckoning for many of the boys to get by. On the other hand a good newspaper is worth \$2 considering the high price of paper and other items that enter into

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newspaper production.—Brown-
wood Bulletin.

There was a time when a man who subscribed for a paper on a credit thought he was doing the editor a favor. There was a time when an editor would send his paper a life time to a subscriber on a credit and accept payment for same in chips and rotten cabbage. Not today. The war and other things have elevated the newspaper business, and the man who reads must pay, unless he reads his neighbor's paper. While the business has been elevated the quality of the editor's products has been improved, and the average country paper today is worth in cash all that the subscriber is asked to pay when placing his order. No more cheap papers and the paper which goes out on a credit is violating a rule established by the War Industries Board, and stands a good chance to have its blank paper supply cut off. We can not accept credit subscriptions, and the man who is not able to pay cash for a newspaper should not contract a debt for one. Pay as you go or do without.

HEARD IN BALLINGER

How Bad Backs Have Been Made
Strong—Kidney Pills Corrected

All over Ballinger you hear it. Doan's Kidney Pills are keeping up the good work. Ballinger people are telling about it—telling of bad backs made sound again. You can believe the testimony of your own townspeople. They tell it for the benefit of you who are suffering. If your back aches, if you feel lame, sore and miserable, if the kidneys act too frequently, or passages are painful scanty and off color, use Doan's Kidney Pills, the remedy that helped so many of your friends and neighbors. Follow this Ballinger citizen's advice and give Doan's a chance to do the same for you.

D. C. Claypool, contractor, 500 13th St., Ballinger, says: "My kidneys were out of order and I had soreness and dull pains across the small of my back. I used Doan's Kidney Pills which I got from the Walker Drug Co., and they soon strengthened my back."

Price 60c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Claypool had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

MRS. R. J. LITTLEFIELD

Undertaker C. R. Crews was called to Concho Tuesday afternoon to prepare for burial the body of Mrs. R. J. Littlefield. Mrs. Littlefield died Monday morning early, death coming suddenly. The lady was stricken ill and died within an hour and before medical aid could be had. It is presumed that death was due to heart trouble.

Deceased was the wife of R. J. Littlefield, who has been blind for many years. She is survived by several children, having a son in France, and on Monday before her death Monday night, she wrote a letter to the soldier boy telling him how well they were all getting along at home.

The funeral was held and the remains laid to rest in the cemetery at Paint Rock Wednesday. This death removes from the Concho country the wife of one of the pioneer citizens of that county.

A Beautiful Woman

Do you know that beautiful woman always has a good digestion? If your digestion is faulty eat lightly of meats, and take an occasional dose of Chamberlain's Tablets to strengthen your digestion. Price 25c.

Sim Cottell of Ballinger arrived in Brownwood early this morning, in company with Guion Gregg. They made the trip by auto and stated that it rained all the way.—Brownwood Bulletin.

WE FIGHT THE KAISER

Six days in every week by repairing and half soling your shoes mending your harness, saddles, and recovering your auto and buggy tops. Let us do yours! EBB CATHEY 1 27d-4w

SERVICE THAT WINS THE SOLDIER HEART

Fred Lockley, Y. M. C. A., Tells of
the Gratitude of the Boys
at the Front.

"One of the discoveries men are making over here," Fred Lockley, of the Y. M. C. A. and of Portland, Oregon, writes from London, "is that more pleasure can be had out of giving than getting. Many a man who has spent money freely in the old days to buy pleasure is finding that he gets more pleasure over here by the spending of one's self in the service of others."

"A few months ago I went out with a fellow Y. M. C. A. secretary to hunt up out-of-the-way detachments of troops. A stable guard here, a machine gun company there, a platoon somewhere else. We carried our goods in an automobile. We had plenty of writing paper and envelopes for free distribution, and chocolate, cookies, chewing tobacco and smoking tobacco, cigarettes, razor blades, tooth paste and things of that kind for sale. American war service workers were busy everywhere. We found Salvation Army lassies making doughnuts for the boys and K. of C. secretaries giving help. Books furnished by the American Library Association were to be seen on all sides.

"Hearing firing at a distance, we drove down the road and found a score or so of men at machine gun practice. The officer gave the men half an hour recess to buy goods.

"At another place we came in sight of a lieutenant drilling a platoon. I said to the lieutenant: 'How soon before you dismiss the company? We have Y. M. C. A. goods for sale.'

"He said: 'Right now. Sergeant, dismiss the company!'

"And ten seconds later the company was in line waiting to buy goods from our traveling 'Y.' Grateful is no name for it. The men can't do enough to show their gratitude."

Why You Should Give Twice What You Did Before

The government has fixed the sum needed for the care of the men in the service at \$170,500,000.

Unless Americans give twice as much as ever before our soldiers, sailors and marines in 1919 may not enjoy their

3,000 recreation buildings
1,000 miles of movie films
100 stage stars
2,000 athletic directors
2,500 libraries supplying
3,000,000 books
85 hostess' houses
15,000 "Big Brother" secretaries
Millions of dollars of home comforts

Give to maintain the morale that
is winning the war now

Col. Barker Bids Godspeed to
the Graduates of Training
School.

The whole-souled co-operation between the seven great organizations working for the happiness and welfare of our soldiers and sailors was recently illustrated at the graduation exercises of the tenth class of the Jewish Welfare Board's Training School in New York. Col. William S. Barker, who went to France representing the Salvation Army with the first contingent of our troops and has been "over there" fifteen months, was the principal speaker and wished the fifty-eight Jewish workers of the class Godspeed, while Louis Marshall, the prominent Jewish attorney and philanthropist of New York, lauded the work of the Salvation Army among the boys at the front.

"What our fighting boys need is inspiration and heart and character in those who are there to help them," declared Col. Barker. "You will represent in the camps and overseas the ideals and standards of the Jewish faith, and it is up to you above all things to be consistent in your religious practices. Practice what you preach. That, I am sure, has been the secret of our own success. If you live up to the principles of your faith and give what you have to give from a heart big with love, the boys will respect you, whether they be Protestant, Catholic or Jew."

The newly graduated field workers will make a total of 250 men doing field work in our camps and naval training stations under the auspices of the Jewish Welfare Board. The Board has about fifty "huts" in the various camps and maintains centers in all large cities where soldiers and sailors of all faiths are welcomed. A headquarters has recently been established here for overseas work. There are now nearly 125,000 Jews serving in the army and navy.

Children Cry for Fletcher's

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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.

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P. S.—If you have skin trouble try Saxol Save. Money back if it fails.

DEATH OF TONY SCHWERTNER

The sad news comes as a great shock in this community that Tony Schwertner had died at the Base Hospital at Camp Travis, Thursday morning at 4:40. The remains were shipped to Rowena Sunday at 1:40 p. m. and from there the body was carried to the church and from the church he was tenderly laid to rest in a beautiful decorative U. S. Flag grave at the Catholic cemetery in Rowena.

He was the first soldier that was buried at Rowena as he had only been ill for a few days with Bronchitis pneumonia. He was in the first call from the registrants of June 5th last. He was called from the local Board at Ballinger on the 6th of September into the army service. His age was not quite 22 years, being it next month. He was interested in farming all his life. He lived in Rummels for 15 years. He leaves a mother, father and three brothers and three sisters, and lots of relatives and friends that love him.

A Friend.

FOR WOMEN WHO WORRY

Worry and "the blues" are usually linked together, and in many cases are due to some functional derangement which if not corrected may lead to more serious ailments. More out-door life, sleep, water drinking and a few weeks' treatment with that good old-fashioned root and herb remedy, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, will revitalize and strengthen the system and work wonders for any woman. If you are prone to worry and 'the blues' try it.

Eddie Pape and family returned from Ellis county Monday night, coming overland. Mr. Pape went east to spend the harvest season, and says he made expenses and saw enough country to keep him satisfied with Rummels county for another year at least, and he will begin at once to plant grain, and try farming here for another year. Mr. Pape was on the road home when his brother died, and could not be located by relatives here during the illness and death of his brother Harry, and he did not know that his brother was dead until he reached Talpa when he met some one from Ballinger who told him.

A TEXAS WONDER

The Texas Wonder for kidney and bladder troubles, gravel, cures weak and lame back, rheumatism, and irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1.25. One small bottle is two month's treatment, and often cures. Send for sworn testimonials. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggist.

Miss Minnie Lee Morgan came in from San Antonio Monday and is here visiting friends and to be with her mother who was here to attend the funeral of her brother, Mack Taylor, and was taken sick while here.

WELD SEVEN WAR WORK AGENCIES INTO RELIEF ARMY

Great Organizations Which Are Helping to Keep Up the Morale of Fighting Millions Unite in Campaign for \$170,500,000.

With millions of American men on war fronts, in training camps and on the seas and with thousands of American women on foreign soil, all engaged in the stupendous task of making the world safe for democracy, a great duty devolves upon those who remain in the United States,—the duty of sending home to those who have put home behind them for the period of the war. The agencies through which this can be accomplished are joined in the United War Work Campaign.

From being given the cigarette or chocolate bar, with which he stays his hunger in the fury of battle, to the theatrical entertainment or the athletic games, which relax him into normal comfort after weeks of terrific combat, the American fighter is dependent upon the continued efforts of the Y. M. C. A., the Y. W. C. A., the National Catholic War Council and K. of C., the War Camp Community Service, the Jewish Welfare Board, the American Library Association and the Salvation Army. To carry on this work the combined welfare organizations are seeking a fund of \$170,500,000.

The Y. M. C. A. provides 538 huts in American training camps and more than 800 in the war zone as centres which the fighters can use as clubs, schools, theatres, stores, churches, libraries and writing rooms. More than 7,000 men and women had been sent overseas or approved for overseas work by early autumn and 3,822 were serving in American camps at home.

Y. M. C. A. huts are the cantons of the American Expeditionary Force and are the theatres where the American entertainers, sent over by the "Y," appear. Noted American public men and clergymen speak in the huts. Classes are conducted there. Millions of letters are written there on paper provided free by the "Y." Physical directors of the "Y" teach and spread mass athletics, using material furnished free by the organization.

The Y. W. C. A. does similar work for the thousands of American women in war work overseas—signal corps telephone operators, nurses and French munition workers. It provides cafeterias, rest and recreation centres, entertainment and reading for these women and girls.

The Y. W. C. A.'s outstanding contribution to soldier welfare work in training camps was the establishment of Hostess Houses, where the soldier or sailor may receive his mother, wife, sister or sweetheart in the surroundings and atmosphere of the best homes.

The National Catholic War Council co-ordinates all Catholic welfare work in support of the government and through the K. of C. provides club-houses for our fighters in all American training camps, as well as having seventy-five centres in France and three in England. In their huts the K. of C. provides entertainment, movies, boxing bouts, educational work, religious services, free stationery, reading matter and writing rooms. In France their rolling canteen accompanies the American army, their secretaries march with the troops, giving away cigarettes, cookies, chocolates, soap and towels.

The K. of C. had 300 workers in France at the beginning of autumn, with 450 more passed by the government and 200 others signed up. At the same date they had 465 secretaries in American training camps, 150 buildings, fifty-six more in the course of erection and contracts let for fifty more.

War Camp Community Service functions exclusively in America, its special mission being to "surround the camps with hospitality." In place of leaving the soldier or sailor to the promiscuous companions and diversions formerly his lot, the organization obtains for him the best to be had in communities adjoining camps or through which he passes.

W. C. C. S. obtains for him invitations to dine, bathe or spend the day in the best homes. It introduces him to the best women and girls at social gatherings, church entertainments, theatre parties. It arouses communities to provide concerts, athletic contests and other wholesome diversions for the soldier, and to drive out or discourage the vicious elements which have been historic camp followers.

The Jewish Welfare Board is correlating the strength and purchases of 100,000 Jewish soldier-marines with "allies."

...sailors and ...of the Gentile soldier board teaches the English language, American civics and ideals to thousands of young Jewish men who were inducted into service after only a few years' residence in this country. While safeguarding his religious rites, the board assists in the process of welding the Jewish soldier into the solid American unit and in bridging over the differences between him and the others.

The American Library Association is providing reading matter for every American soldier, sailor, marine and prisoner of war. In addition to gathering and forwarding three million

CHICKENS MAD FROM CAT BITE

S. B. Howard killed a mad cat at his home on the Colorado river above town a few days ago. Shortly after killing the cat Mr. Howard found two chickens that were acting peculiar and they later developed in to mad chickens and were biting at everything they came in contact with.

Mr. Howard fears that a mad dog or mad cat has been running at large in that neighborhood and other animals have been probably bitten. People should keep on the look out and warn the children against playing with dogs and cats until the period over which they might become mad has passed.

Can Now Eat and Sleep in Comfort

If troubled with indigestion or sleeplessness you should read what Miss Agnes Turner, Chicago, Ill., has to say: "Overwork, irregular meals and carelessness regarding the ordinary rules of health, gradually undermined it until last fall I became a wreck of my former self. I suffered from continual headache, was unable to digest my food, which seemed to lay as a dead weight on my stomach. I was very constipated and my complexion became dark, yellow and muddy as I felt. Sleeplessness was added to my misery, and I would awake as tired as when I went to sleep. I heard of Chamberlain's Tablets and found such relief after taking them that I kept up the treatment for nearly two months. They cleansed my stomach, invigorated my system, and since that time I can eat and sleep in comfort. I am today entirely well."

Rev. J. B. Curry went to Santa Anna Tuesday afternoon, returning home on the midnight train Tuesday night.

Mrs. A. R. Jones returned to Brownwood Tuesday afternoon, after a visit to her parents, Mrs. and Mrs. Z. A. Snell.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Stovall returned to their home at Lometa, Tuesday. They had been here to attend the funeral of Mrs. Stovall's sister, Mrs. Doris McCracken.

SUGAR AFFIDAVITS.

Mr. Merchant, we are prepared to furnish you sugar certificates to be used in selling sugar for preserving purposes. We have the blanks printed and can supply you in any size quantity. The food rules require that you use these in selling sugar for canning and preserving purposes.

First Victory Boy's Work.

"Say, I'm wise to you, all right," a Western Union messenger boy whispered to one of the directors of the United War Work Campaign in the New York headquarters. The director's desk had only just been moved in and the work of the big drive had hardly begun.

"I'm onto your stunt," the boy went on as he swung a grimy fist over the desk: "you're goin' to give us fellows that ain't old enough to go to war a chance to earn an' give to back up a fighter an' help win the war. Listen: I'm in on this."

The crumpled \$5 bill he dropped on the desk made him the first of "a million boys behind a million fighters" who are to be lined up as Victory Boys during the week of the drive.

There will be a division of Victory Girls, too, and every boy and every girl enrolled will have to earn every dollar he or she gives to the war work fund.

"Food Will Win the War"

We keep our stock complete, and are ready to help you fight the battles of life, with pure, fresh, wholesome food. We can assist you in selecting substitutes for the articles of food our Government is asking you to conserve. You are not urged to eat less, but are at liberty to eat more different kinds of food, and conserve the food that will win the war.

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We are co-operating with the Food Administration in conserving

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Don't call for more than you are allowed.

TEACH YOUR CHILD TO BE THRIFTY

Then you will never have cause to blush for it

Few parents hearts have ever ached over the misdoings of a thrifty child.

Guide your boy and girl out of the path of the spendthrift.

Start an account for them in our bank and teach them the importance of saving.

If you follow our advice you will always be thankful.

Farmers and Merchants State Bank

Martin Frick, of the Winters country passed thru Ballinger, Tuesday afternoon, en route to Bay City where he goes to see a brother who is seriously ill.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children In Use For Over 30 Years

Always bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

Waco, Oct. 21.—Word was received here last night of the death at Taylor yesterday afternoon of the Rev. Henry Stanford, well known Methodist preacher. Spanish influenza was the cause of death. The funeral took place today at Mount Vernon. He is survived by his wife, one child and his parents.

Rev. Stanford is a cousin of Rev. E. Rosemond Stanford, former pastor of the M. E. Church of this city and he conducted a revival here during April 1916, and will

be kindly remembered by many Ballinger people.

OIL LEASES AND ASSIGNMENTS

The Ledger office can supply you wants with oil leases, oil lease assignments, etc. Special form printed on short notice. Use our standard form and save trouble. dff.

BALLINGER BOY PROMOTED

Word was received here Tuesday through D. C. Underwood, his father, that Gene Underwood has been promoted to the non-commissioned office of sergeant.

Probably there is not a more deserving case that has come to our attention, where sheer merit has won a boy his promotion and his many Ballinger friends will be much pleased to hear this good news.

Here is our hand, old boy, and may you continue to climb in the service of your Uncle Sammie until you are a Major General.

School children come to the Ledger office for your loose leaf and theme paper.

FOUND AT LAST

Note the Prices:

Ice Cream, only 5c.
Milk Shake, 5c.
Grape Juice, 5c.
Lime-ade, 5c.
Ice Cream Soda, 5c.

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To the Building Public

You can make any repairs or additions to your buildings that do not cost over \$2500.00. You can also make any improvements or build anything new on your farm, that does not cost over \$1000.00. Any other new buildings, of any kind, require a permit from the War Industries Board. We will be glad to inform you how to proceed in securing building certificates, as we have the blank forms on hand.

Wm. Cameron & Co., Inc.

LETTERS FROM BOYS OVER THERE

On the Front, France
Sept. 16th, 1918.

My Dear Folks:

Since my last letter to you things have happened around here that you have read all about. I think it entirely permissible for me to tell you that my regiment was in the big middle of this offensive and that my division easily did more than any of the others, taking part in the drive. As to what will happen further I do not know and could not tell you if I did. I have always read of these famous events and have been extremely interested in every move and every scrap of importance that I can get. Rains and muddy roads is all that stopped us. The infantry had to be held down till the artillery could move up and the continuous rain of the last two or three weeks made that very difficult. In fact all the artillery is not moved up yet. All roads were destroyed in the retreat of the Germans and we engineers had to rebuild them before the heavies could follow the Doughboys. This drive has taught the world that when equally matched the Boche is no match for the Americans, but the American Doughboy cannot continue to advance without the support of the artillery. My history of the past two weeks is a story of a "forced march" to attack and a pursuit of the enemy in his retreat. Things have quieted down a bit now but there is no telling when it will open again. I wish I could give you a detailed account of all that I know but cannot for many reasons. However, I am pretty sure you have gotten a good knowledge of all from press dispatches. I want to say in justice to the press that it is and has been, giving the truth to the U. S. people and the world in every detail of this war.

I wrote you sometime back that I was in a Liaison School. At this time I am assigned to an infantry brigade or liaison agent from my regiment and am stationed at this infantry brigade headquarters. I have been back to my outfit since I was assigned but must go back this afternoon as this one has about run its course. I also want to get a few things from my pack as I left in such a hurry that I didn't have time to get everything.

I have quite a number of prisoners and have taken a curious interest in them all. They appear to be nervous but most seem to be contented with their capture and I really believe are glad they are out of it. A machine gun crew of mine captured this morning, nine, who was just brought back to this post for examination and you can bet I was intensely interested. They were clinging for dear life onto their little chunks of black bread. I examined one piece, which was awfully heavy for its size, but seemed to be nutritious. One of the fel-

lows asked a prisoner what he thought of the Kaiser and he replied that the Kaiser was not hungry but that they (the prisoners) were. I do not believe that Germany is near starvation, but from what the prisoners say and how they look I am convinced that they are under fed. Most of the prisoners I have seen are real young, but there are old men in the lot. I saw several drives of several hundred each and one of 900 at a distance. The Americans take the success and capture calmly and as a matter of course, but the French are overcome with joy. They praise the Americans and find much pleasure in deriding the unfortunate (or fortunate) captives.

The air is constantly alive with all sorts of planes and I have seen some fine fights. Do you know how much trouble it is for me to go to bed now? I'll tell you. When bed time arrives I just wrap up in my saddle blanket, pull my slicker over me, use my saddle for a pillow and am soon dreaming of home sweet home. There is hardly a night passes that I do not dream of home. Of course I have a better bed when I am with my outfit, but cannot carry everything with me when on this duty. I thought I would have a hard time sleeping with blouse and gas mask on but that was a mistake. There was a time when I could not have slept with my shoes on but that mistaken idea has long since vanished. I do not believe they are not sleep in in gas masks at all at my outfit, but we must here. Now mamma, I am now and have been quite a distance from the front lines and really not in much danger. Artillery is all that can reach this spot. A Brig. Gen. stays here and several colonels and majors are here.

Our trip over the old No Man's Land and into former German territory was most interesting, yet its utter destruction made me double thankful that the war was here and not in the U. S. I cannot begin to describe it. It is just ruin, ruin, ruin. We have all enjoyed exploring the old German trenches and dug-outs and some were fixed up with all the conveniences of aristocrats (officers quarters). In all such places a plentiful supply of empty bottles were found. Confirming reports of German drinking.

I bought a sweater a few days past as good one as I have ever seen. Cost me 35 francs, so you need not get that one. All for this time.

Lovingly,
Mus. Diaz B. Wood.

Sincere Gratitude

Mrs. William Bell, Logansport, Ind., writes: I deem it my duty to express my gratitude for the good Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy did for me when I had a severe attack of diarrhoea three years ago. It was the only medicine that relieved me."

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CALL MADE FOR LIQUIDATION OF W.S.S. PLEDGES THIS WEEK

Pledges for War Savings Stamps made by 1,107,336 Texans are due for payment before Oct. 31.

Pledges for November and December should, if possible, be paid during this eight-day period.

Every person in this county should make arrangements to completely liquidate his pledge during this week of Oct. 24-31, which has been officially designated as Pay W.S.S. Pledge Week.

War Savings Stamps equal to the present unliquidated portion of your pledge may be had at any bank, the postoffice or any sales agency.

Because of the immense amount of money needed now by the Government in connection with the vast military operations which are taking place, the War Savings Committee is calling for the complete liquidation of all War Savings Pledges.

To this end the eight-day period beginning Thursday, Oct. 24, and ending Thursday, Oct. 31, has been designated for the payment of the outstanding amounts of all pledges.

"There are some pledges or portions of pledges which call for liquidation in November and December, but in view of the extraordinary needs at this time every loyal pledger is most earnestly requested to make his payment during Pay W.S.S. Pledge Week, even though it may require close figuring and personal sacrifice upon the part of that patriotic person," Louis Lipsitz, State Director of War Savings, declares in the official announcement.

"Not only is it a solemn duty required of us for the Government, but at this time the complete payment of November and December pledges along with the portion due Oct. 31 will be of the utmost value to the Government in pushing to victorious conclusion the vast and vital operations on the fighting front."

"The full payment of the year's pledges may be just a bit hard to make on or before Oct. 31, but I know that the loyal Texas pledgers, thoroughly understanding what their action will achieve, will give full attention to the call and answer it as Texans have always answered their Government's requests."

State of Ohio, City of Toledo,
Lusas County, ss.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of One Hundred Dollars for cash and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Medicine. Frank J. Cheney.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.

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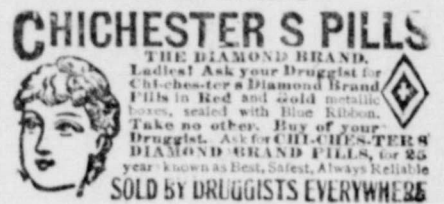
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TWO FUNERALS HERE TOMORROW

The remains of Arthur Zappe, arrived here Wednesday at noon, accompanied by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Zappe. The remains were carried to the home on Sixth street.

At nine o'clock Thursday morning the funeral will be held at the Catholic church, Rev. Father Goldbach conducting and interment will follow in the City Cemetery.

Low Wilmet, who died at three forty-five this morning will be buried in the morning, but the funeral arrangements have not been completed up to a late hour today.



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Uncle Joe Routh, who had been here for a week or more recuperating returned to Andrews Wednesday afternoon.

Agency contracts for the lease of oil and gas lands, new supply, just off the press.

CARD OF THANKS

Words are too feeble to express our appreciation to our friends for their kindness and sympathy to us during the sad hours brought upon us by the death of our husband and brother. In this way we wish to thank you all, and assure you that our hearts are filled with gratitude and love for all, and we shall never forget the help you have been to us. May God bless you for your kindness and consideration for those in distress.

Mrs. W. A. Gustavus Jr.
W. A. Gustavus Sr.
and Children.

Bronchial Trouble

Mrs. A. E. Sidneherder, Rockfield, Ind., states: "For an attack of bronchial trouble which usually assails me in the spring I find Chamberlain's Cough Remedy the only thing that gives me relief. After using it for a few days all signs of bronchial trouble disappear."

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