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LOVELY THINGS FOR YOUR BED AND BEDROOM

CUTE TOGS FOR INFANTS

NO ONE CAN "HOLD A CANDLE" TO US EITHER ON THE QUALITY OR THE PRICE OF THE PRETTY SPREADS AND FLEECY, WARM BLANKETS AND OTHER THINGS YOU NEED FOR YOUR BED AND BED ROOMS. THEY WILL DELIGHT YOU DURING THE DAYTIME AS WELL AS AT NIGHT.

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YOU WILL LIKE OUR TOGS AND OUR PRICES. COME IN.

Knight & Brashear

Somewhere in France.

Big Springs, Texas.—Information has been received here that the Big Springs Truck Company of the 117th Division, which has been stationed at Garden City, New York, has arrived safely in France.

This truck company had forty-five Big Spring and Howard county boys in it.

Lieutenant J. T. Brooks is in command of this company, and was the mayor of the city before he resigned to organize the company.

We wish to call the attention of our readers to the Christmas Goods in the Knight & Brashear store window, which is very artistically arranged and well worth stepping around there to see.

Five Go To Volunteer.

Boyce Hatchett, Buford Swan, Marlin Jordan, Chas. Shook and Jim Crie, all went to Lubbock Wednesday to meet the recruiting officer. Buford and Boyce returned home the same day; the other three went on to Austin.

Not the cheapest, but the best; that's the kind of glasses I will fit you with. Perfect glasses, perfect fit, perfect satisfaction. Dr. J. H. McCoy, offices second floor in the Wells building, Tahoka. 14-tf

Rev. Arnsfield and family of Lamesa, passed through Tahoka Wednesday on their return from a month's vacation on their place just this side of Fort Sumner, New Mexico.

Camp Travis News

All the boys from Lynn county would like for the folks at home to know that we had one of the finest dinners for Thanksgiving that ever was, and that every body if not really sick from it was at least homesick, for it was surely "like mother used to make."

Tuesday December 4th, both the Military Police companies made a practice march of about twenty miles, carrying full marching equipment. We had one meal out and then instruction in scout duty, and placing of sentry squads, to learn how best to guard a large body marching behind. Lynn county boys are all doing good work in their companies.

It should be bourn in mind that the best shot in the world is of little practical use in the army unless he can reach the point where he can "lay" his gun on the target. To find this requires marches, a world of marching. The man who has the best foot, the most supple muscles and the reserved energy is the man who can go the route that must be travelled in warfare.

And speaking of feet, it is no idle talk to state that the soldiers at Camp Travis are much better "at both ends" today than they were when they reached this camp raw recruits. One reason for this is the sensible last shoe worn in the army. It is in itself a panacea for 75 per cent of the ills the feet are heir to. The corn crop at Camp Travis, as a result of this sensible last shoe, has been a total failure.

All of your laundry for one month, no matter how much, at a flat rate of \$1.50. That 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 expensive laundry machinery. The task of sorting and classifying laundry for 30,000 soldiers is no small task when it is taken into consideration that all of these clothes are exactly alike. This giant laund-

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Of Tahoka.

ry 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 are neatly sewed. There are 132 machines that cost \$30,000 alone. There are 24 washing machines costing \$10,000. Twenty marking machines cost \$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 ventilation for the building which is 500 feet wide and 500 feet long. The laundry is under the direction of the government.

Furs, Hides and Rabbits

I will be in Tahoka Monday, December 24th, to pay highest cash prices for Furs, Hides and Rabbits.

MADISON YATES.

Dick Crie, who has been working on the Ochiltree News, came home Saturday of last week with a severe case of appendicitis. His mother, Mrs. H. C. Crie, met him at Amarillo and accompanied him home. He is able to hold down his old job with the Lynn County News.

The justly celebrated A. K. Hawks Co.'s Crystal Crown Glasses are the best ever.—Dr. J. H. McCoy, Tahoka, Tex.

Soldiers and Sailors Insurance Law.

If a soldier or sailor is killed, and he has a wife and children, the Government will provide compensation for the wife, so long as she remains unmarried, and support for the children until they become of age.

These payments range from \$25 for a widow alone to \$57.50 for a widow and four children. If the man is totally disabled the Government will make a fixed monthly payment to him ranging from \$30 a month, if he is married, \$75 a month, if he has a wife and three or more children. Should he be so helpless as to require a nurse or attendant he will be given up to \$20 additional. Should he lose both feet, both hands, or both eyes, or be permanently bedridden, he will be paid \$100 a month, whether he is a bachelor or married.

I will have a couple of cars of good bright baled oat straw for sale at Tahoka the first of the week.—A. R. McGonagill.

FOR SALE—One 14x16 wall tent that has never been wet. Well made of 12 oz duck. A bargain. Dr. J. H. McCoy. 14-tf

Notice of Estray Sale.

Notice is hereby given that on Saturday the 15th of December, 1917, I will sell at Public Auction to the highest bidder, for Cash, at the Livery Barn in Tahoka, Texas, Three two year old bay colts, unbranded. B. C. KING, Taker up. 13-1t

ONLY 11 MORE DAYS UNTIL CHRISTMAS

THIS IS THE WEEK—

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SATISFACTORY SERVICE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Subject to the action of the July 1918 Democratic Primary

W. H. Davidson
R. S. (Bob) Davidson.
For Tax Assessor:
R. F. Montgomery

We desire to call to the attention of our readers the advertisement of the Western Telephone Company which appears elsewhere in this paper. This is the first of a series that will appear weekly. These articles will be both educational and interesting. Many of us do not realize what all is necessary in the way of equipment and service when we ring Central and asking for a number get telephone communication with the party wanted. It has become so natural we never think of it as being but of the ordinary. We certainly would miss it though if we were forced to do without it. A careful reading of these articles will show how better service may be secured by attending to the details. Plans are prepared by Mr. Scanberry, Al German, Superintendent of the Western Telephone Company, who has done for you what much careful thought to their preparation.

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Office in Shook Building
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Tahoka, Texas

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Office in Guaranty State Bank Building, Tahoka, Texas.
COLLECTIONS A SPECIALTY

According to the Post, the city has been accused falsely and unjustly of being a German sympathizer. While we should keep our eyes open for the real German sympathizer, we should be very careful that we do not wrongfully accuse any one of such a crime, and we should not gossip about our neighbors of German descent, for many of them are among our best patriots.

Five Tahoka boys went to Lubbock Wednesday to volunteer for service. Quite a number of the boys whose grandfathers fought in the Civil war or whose fathers fought in the Spanish war, still like the idea of volunteering. It is a good deal like when one is with a thrashing or haying outfit, the fellow who gets to the first table gets the choicest bits.

Now comes the call to speed up the coal production by fifty million tons and at the same time save another fifty million tons as the government estimates it will take at least one hundred million tons more coal a year now than in ordinary times. Every man living on the Plains of Texas can help in this saving of coal by going back to the old customs of fifteen or twenty years ago. When ye editor came up on the Plains in 1901, and every bit of coal and in fact everything else, had to be hauled 110 miles from the nearest railroad, there were more families in Floyd county who used less than one ton of coal during the year than there were who used more than a ton.

During this dry, clear weather every man in Lynn county who owns a fence, should do as we did in the old days in Floyd, take a good saw and go out and "dehorn" every fence post just above the top wire as all above three or four inches is an entire waste and anyone who has as much as a section of land fenced will find that he will be able to save considerable coal by so doing. Then there are the mesquite grubs; enough in Lynn county to carry us all through the winter with little or no coal. Then last but by no means least, there is the ever present cow chip. Every patriotic boy and girl in the county should put in every bit of their spare time gathering and storing cow chips. Firesome, yes; aggravating, yes; economical, yes; patriotic, very.

FOR SALE.
Early Improved Mebane Cotton Seed. Why buy from foreign dealers when I have 3800 bu., of 10 year old seed in warehouse, and will guarantee to save you freight on any price you can get on Genuine Improved Mebane Cotton Seed.
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GEO. SMALL. (caw) 4t

Santa Fe

All Year Tourists
Corpus Christi, Texas, and return on sale daily. Return limit 90 days \$26.70.

All Year Tourists
Mineral Wells, Texas, and return on sale daily. Return limit 90 days \$13.10.

All Year Tourists
Marlin, Texas, and return on sale daily. Return limit 90 days \$15.80.
J. L. Heare, Agt., Tahoka, Tex

"The Red Cross is the most important instrument for winning the war. Facts have proved this statement and not sentiment." This has been said and written regarding the sentimental side of the Red Cross and too little has been said about 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 a Big Somethin' 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 humanity is reaching out to him and reaching out to his fellow soldiers. The Big Direction of Humanity, is 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. A few facts, covering a few of the activities of the Red Cross since the United States went into the big war, will be sufficient proof of all these statements. In the first place, the Red Cross has taken care of 1,000,000 men with red blood in their veins. It has read these facts and there are 1,000,000 more members of the Red Cross, which is a member of the War Department, and in many instances soldiers would have suffered had it not been for the quick action of the Red Cross in coming to their relief. Second, the Red Cross has attached 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 shirts immediately. 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 get through a requisition in time to save the suffering which followed. Again the Red Cross went to the rescue of the government, again it proved it was the government's right-hand ally. At still another cantonment sweat-drenched soldiers were without overcoats. One of the biggest things the Red Cross is doing in America throughout the country, is to supply civilian relief. Here are some cases in point which alone are sufficient to make membership in the Red Cross synonymous with citizenship in the United States. (The following are true cases.)

CASE ONE.—Mother with daughter, 10 years old, and daughter, 13 years old. Son is drafted. Mother is unable to support her children. Home Service Section investigated. Found an excellent family, but the mother was unable to work and was in need of great assistance. Chapter made a grant of \$10 a week to provide finances for living expenses, medicines, doctor bills, etc., and are making encouraging calls to the family and assisting the daughter in nursing her mother. Financial relief alone would not have been enough in this case.

Splendid Home Service.
CASE TWO.—Man enlisted in army and married in June, 1917, asked for discharge in October on the grounds of a dependent wife who was an expectant mother. Army officials refused discharge because marriage took place after declaration of war. Woman has no relatives and soldier's relatives, who live in another part of the United States, are unable to assist. Home Service Section found facts as stated correct, made arrangements for the wife's confinement, assigned a big-hearted motherly woman as coun-

The Government of the United States! Do you think of it merely as some great big machine up in Washington that levies taxes and eats up a good deal of money keeping its machinery moving? If you do you are wrong. The United States Government is a business corporation run for the good of the citizens, who are its shareholders. Its head office is at Washington. You and I hired some

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"If it's not right, WE MAKE IT RIGHT."

about "draining the country" is sheer nonsense. Let us see how this works. We will suppose that a farmer, or cotton grower, has purchased a Liberty Loan. You are paying by installments over several months. Now, the government actually needs money. It leaves it on deposit in a local bank which is acting as an armament depository—maybe a bank. Now, by the time you have the LAST installment on it, it is quite likely that the money in as your FIRST installment has been used by the government for your own cotton or grain. You will be returning this money to the bank to be sent again to your account, or on your purchase of another Bond.

"But," you say, "how do millions and millions of dollars go out of the country? Does money go out of the country? Does not, Practically all money which goes to our lent with the clear understanding that it is to be used for the good of this country. You will see that seldom do we loan our allies any money. We loan them goods which duce and for which you IN SUBSCRIBING TO THE TY LOAN YOU ARE PRACTICALLY PUTTING CAPITAL INTO OUR OWN BUSINESS.

Fears have been expressed that the government's action on the public that is almost equivalent to taking capital and their savings. The government of this country is above all things that your capital and keep it from wanting your cotton and its foodstuffs and is not foolish to take away the capital needed to run your business. It is "killing the goose that lays the golden egg." The government you to get richer so that you be in a position to loan your increased wealth to the war.

These people need your support in the biggest job that any men ever tackled. They want your friendship, your good will.

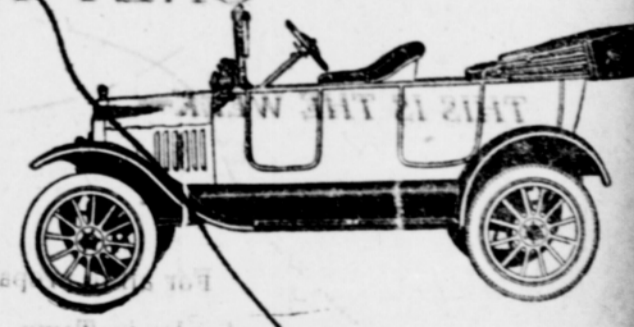
Quit "cussing" the government, if you ever did this, and shake hands with our "boss foremen," good fellows, every one of them.

"There won't be any money left in the country if they keep on asking for these loans."

How many times do you hear such a remark made about the Liberty Loan? Perhaps you may have even thought something of the sort yourself. To a man not used to finance the thought is a very natural one.

Let us think this thing out. In the first place, practically all of the money subscribed to the Liberty Loans stays right here in the country, and a good deal of it stays right in the locality from which it is originally subscribed. So this takes

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Remember the time and the place.

The STAR THEATRE

Thursday December 27th. Tahoka, Texas

WAR TALKS

By UNCLE DAN

Number Three

How War Methods Have Changed Everybody Must Help.

"Hello, Uncle Dan, Jimmie and I have been waiting for you."

"Sorry if I have kept you long," said Uncle Dan. "Your mother has been telling me how bashful I used to be. She said if a girl spoke to me I would blush to my hair roots. Well, I reminded her of the time your father first came to see her and the joke we played on them, so I guess that will hold her for a while."

"Continuing, Uncle Dan said: "You want to talk more about the war, do you? Well, war methods have undergone many changes and they are still changing. No two wars are fought alike. In early times, the weapons were stones, clubs, spears, bows and arrows, swords, etc. In this kind of warfare, victory was with the strong right arm. Men of enormous size and strength were the great warriors. The inven-

tion of gunpowder, however, has changed all this. It has enabled men to kill one another at a considerable distance, and do it wholesale. The war, as we know it now, is a combination of chemicals, machinery, mathematical calculations and highly trained men. Just think of it! Airplanes, submarines, armored tanks, or caterpillar, pillars, poison gases, and curtains of fire are all used for the first time in this war; and they are destructive beyond anything heretofore known.

"The methods followed by the Kaiser and his allies are simply devilish. He must answer in history for the killing of thousands of innocent women and children. He has broken every international law and every rule of warfare; he has bombarded hospitals and undefended cities, sunk Red Cross ships on errands of mercy; he has destroyed cathedrals and priceless treasures of art that can never be replaced; he has made slaves of his prisoners; he has tried to get us into war with Japan; his emissaries have blown up our ships, burned our factories and fired our forests. He knows no mercy or honor. The most charitable view to take of this blood-thirsty tyrant is that he is crazy.

"One thing is certain," continued Uncle Dan, with great emphasis. "Our liberty, the safety of our homes and our country, and the security of the

world demand the speedy and absolute overthrow of the Kaiser and crushing out once and forever the reign of Prussian brutality."

"How about the German people," said Bille. "The Kaiser is a monster, but the German people were happy, thrifty, prosperous and contented. They have been struck into war and made to suffer the tortures of the damned; they have been cruelly and systematically deceived. God grant that the real facts may get to them, and if they do, Lord help the Kaiser!"

"Of course the allies will win," said Mrs. Graham. "Probably so," said Uncle Dan. "But we are certain we must go to the limit. We must check the awful destruction to shipping by the German submarines, or we may not be able to get food and supplies for our own men and to our allies. We must also put hundreds of thousands and perhaps millions of first-class soldiers in the battle line."

"Food is the first consideration," Uncle Dan continued. "No army can hold out against hunger. It has been said that food will win the war, and this is largely true. Hence the importance of the food in the war plans of our country. Mrs. Graham interrupted by saying: "In view of the importance of farming, don't you think Daniel, that the farmers ought to be exempted from war service?"

"No, a thousand times no," said Uncle Dan, striking the table so hard to emphasize his protest that he tipped over a vase of flowers. "We must have no class legislation. The duty to serve is the common duty of all, and no class must be relieved of this obligation. The question of exemption must be a personal one and decided by the facts surrounding each case. In no other way can we have a square deal and to insure this, it is the duty of Congress to pass immediately the 'Citizenship Bill,' or some such measure which is fair to all classes. It would settle all these questions and do it fairly. Safety now and safety hereafter demands such legislation, and let me suggest that you and your friends get busy with your congressman and senators and urge them to prompt action."

"It is time for us to realize that we are not living in a fool's paradise; that this great country of ours cost oceans of blood and treasure and it is only due to the loyalty, sacrifice and service of our forefathers that we have a country, and it is our highest duty to preserve it unimpaired and pass it on to posterity, no matter what the cost may be. Our citizenship and their ancestors came from all parts of the world to make this country a home and enjoy its blessings and opportunities; hence in the crisis before us, it is the duty of everyone to stand squarely back of our country and be prepared to defend the flag. Everyone in this crisis is either pro-American or pro-German. Great as the country is, there is not room enough for two flags."

"Say, Uncle Dan," said Bille, "Jimmie and I have been looking up about war in the encyclopedia at school. We found that in the war between Germany and France in 1870-71, Germany lost in killed and wounded 28,000 soldiers while France lost about six times as many, and besides that, she lost every battle. We asked Professor Slocum why this was. He said that the German army was highly trained and ably commanded, while the French soldiers were poorly trained; and that their war department was honeycombed with jealousy and politics; that the officers were not much good, and that's why France lost the war

times their number of raw recruits and do it every time with comparatively small loss to themselves. Proper training alone will reduce the death and casualty rate one-third of what it otherwise would be, and right here is an unanswerable argument for universal military training.

"Our government has no moral right to force her men into war service without properly training them for it. To do so is simply murder, hence the frantic effort that is now being made to give her soldiers some training before they are sent to the front. If we are to win this war, it will take trained men to do it, and it will take trained men to win any other war that may come upon us in the future. If we must fight, let us fight to win and not to lose."

"That's the stuff," said Bille. Continuing, Uncle Dan said: "Our government has expended about \$300,000,000 to put up cantonments and training stations in order to train the men called by the draft."



For the boys in khaki

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First and supreme in the work of the American Red Cross, which will launch a Christmas membership drive for 2,000,000 more members in the Southwest Monday, Dec. 17, continuing until Christmas eve, is the care of Uncle Sam's own army and navy. The safety, health and comfort of the men who are fighting the country's battles 3,000 miles from home will at all times be the prime object of the organization's attention.

When French army officers were asked what the American Red Cross could best do to hearten the army and give the soldiers a concrete token of American co-operation they said: "Give us canteens and rest stations."

The Red Cross is accordingly establishing canteens at 41 important railway stations in France for the special use of soldiers on leave, who are constantly passing on their way to and from the front. The woman's bureau undertook to recruit 100 women to serve in canteens and rest rooms in France. Only women of robust health, between the ages of 30 and 50, were considered, and applicants were required to show that they had worked for the American Red Cross or in regular occupations requiring a high order of service and a capacity for self-sacrifice. Fifty-two of these women already are in France.

Serves 2,000 Troops Daily. The first of these canteens was opened in September and began immediately to serve large numbers of French soldiers and some American troops. It has been used by an average of 2,000 men daily. The first visitors were a troop of chasseurs who had been instructing the American troops, and on the same evening a large number of American engineers, leaving by train at 1 o'clock in the morning, were given a warm welcome.

There are 18 women who serve day and night. The menu includes soup, bread, meat, vegetables, salads, cheese, eggs, coffee, chocolate and tea.

Arrangements for announcing the departure of trains have enabled between 300 and 400 men to catch a few hours of much-needed rest in comfortable, clean quarters, without fear of missing their trains. Six hundred men can be so accommodated. Showers and wash basins also are provided. Everything Free Except Food.

The picture presented by such a canteen when it is filled with soldiers is described in a cable from Junius B. Wood, American war correspondent, in part as follows:

Back of a long porcelain-tiled counter American women in white caps and white aprons were pouring coffee, ladling soup and handing out sandwiches as fast as their arms could reach. In front was an unending line of soldiers. American Band French, with bowls of soup or coffee in one hand and sandwiches, sausages and tobacco in the other, making their way gingerly through the crowd from the counter to seats at the tables in the big room. This canteen seats 60 an hour in the dining room, which is capable of handling 3,000 guests daily. There are twenty-one shower baths, a barber shop, a clothes sterilizer and bombproof movie theater. All is free except the food, for which there is a nominal charge. On the other side of the railroad tracks a garden has been laid out where, in skillets, the French Government dispenses wine to its own troops. While waiting for trains the soldiers relax and rest. Everything is sold at cost, no allowance being made for the big overhead expenses. In addition, much is distributed free. A bowl of soup, which is quite different from the usual onion-flavored gruel, beef or lamb, vegetable salad, cheese, pudding or fruit, coffee, chocolate or bouillon. Tea is brewed especially for passing British troops.

Near the firing line the American Red Cross is establishing field canteens. Extending the work already begun by a branch of the French Red Cross, it will provide one of these canteens for every corps of the French army and later for the American army as well.

A field kitchen is maintained there, from which the refreshing drinks are distributed along the front by wagons and light motor trucks. Four thousand portions—coffee, tea, cocoa, bouillon, lemonade, etc.—are sometimes served, from one canteen in a single day.

15,000 NURSES ENROLLED FOR RED CROSS DUTIES

Fifteen thousand nurses already have been enrolled by the American Red Cross, many of whom have volunteered for war service, according to a statement made public at Red Cross headquarters.

About 2,000 already have been sent to Europe. It is estimated that the present registered force is sufficient to care for any army of a million and a half, and approximately 1,000 nurses are being added monthly.

Keep Christmas, 1917, by keeping up the Red Cross.

BOY SCOUTS TO JOIN WORK

Merchants in Country Districts to Make Campaign in Automobiles to Win Support for the Army's Right Hand.

"Make Red Cross membership as universal as citizenship," is the new slogan of the Christmas membership campaign committee of the American Red Cross for the Southwestern division, comprising the states of Missouri, Arkansas, Texas, Kansas and Oklahoma. From the enthusiasm with which the preliminaries of the drive, which opens Monday, Dec. 17, continuing until Christmas eve, are proceeding, officials at Washington expect the original figures of 10,000,000 new members to be doubled.

In fact, if there are only 10,000,000 new members added to the 5,000,000 already enrolled officials will be disappointed, according to a message received at Southwestern division headquarters from Harvey D. Gibson, general manager of the American Red Cross. In Gibson's letter he said officials would not be surprised to see the total membership for the nation on Christmas eve reach a total of 25,000,000.

According to John L. Johnston, chairman of the campaign for the Southwestern division, the drive in many counties already is under way, especially in the rural districts. 3,000,000 Members Wanted.

The Southwestern division, under the original quota of 10,000,000 members, is allotted 2,000,000, but Chairman Johnston predicts his division will pass this figure by 1,000,000, apportioned as follows: Missouri, 750,000; Arkansas, 250,000; Texas, 1,000,000; Kansas, 500,000; Oklahoma, 500,000.

Already the headquarters of the Southwestern division membership committee has begun to assume the aspect of a military headquarters from counties in the division where the Red Cross armies already have "gone over the top" in the big drive. Messages are arriving reporting progress and asking for supplies.

From counties where the intensive campaign has not begun, but where committees are making detailed plans for their drive, the requests, both by letter and telegram, for supplies, circulars, posters and general information are even more numerous. An extra corps of stenographers is kept busy forwarding information, issuing directions and sending telegrams and letters.

The storeroom at division headquarters carries the similarity to a military base even further. Every mail and express delivery brings parcels and boxes of supplies from Washington, circulars, posters, handbooks, buttons and window cards, the ammunition to be used in the big drive.

What Service Flag Is.

One of the most striking emblems of the campaign is a transparent window card, designed as a service flag. A large Red Cross on a white base is the central figure. Smaller crosses or each additional member of the family who becomes a member of the Red Cross can be added to the card. One of these card service flags will be placed in the window of every home where a membership is obtained. On Christmas eve it is planned to have a lighted candle placed behind these flags. If the canvases equals the expectations of Red Cross leaders there will not be a home in the division Christmas eve that does not have one of these flags in the window.

Boy Scouts Are to Join.

Boy Scouts are being organized to gain memberships. School programs, signaling the coming of the holidays, will have an appeal for the Red Cross. The work of the children, Red Cross workers feel, will be an important factor in the success of the membership drive.

In country districts merchants with wide acquaintance among farmers are devoting their time, or have promised to do so, making auto trips throughout the country, stopping at every home and urging every member of the family to take out a Red Cross membership.

In some cities a census is being taken of every block, number of houses and apartments in the block being registered. The squad assigned to a particular block is given a number of service flag cards equal in number to the number of families in its territory. Every flag a worker leaves in a window is counted as a victory on his score. Every flag he brings back is chalked up as a defeat.

In other cities merchants have promised the assistance of their clerks during days of Christmas shopping. Every purchaser will be urged to include a Christmas membership among the gifts for husband, wife, brother, sister, parent or child.

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