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BAKER SAYS AMERICANS MADE GOOD

Atlantic Port, April 16.—"I have a feeling of pride and an unshakable confidence in the American army and its achievements in France," said Sec. Baker on arriving here today. "Things I have seen on the other side would justify any one making the trip to France."

Secretary Baker says his voyage over sea going and coming was uneventful. He left immediately after arriving here for Washington.

Washington, April 16.—Secretary Baker landed at an American port early this morning. The first news of his safe return to America was announced in Washington when Mr. Baker notified officials here by long distance telephone. Secretary Baker has been in France on an inspection tour. He is hurrying to Washington today, and will submit his findings to his co-workers in the war at once.

Washington, April 17.—Secretary Baker brought a very optimistic message back from France. "The American soldier has made good," was his first statement upon arriving in Washington. In an interview today he declares that the big thing for America is sentiment, in belief and in courage. He said the American soldier in France is healthful, happy, eager to fight and anxious to stick to the job until the war aims for which we entered the war have been accomplished. While refusing to comment on the present drive of the Germans, Secretary Baker points out three armies in France, and says "they are filled with a most tremendous spirit," and declares that the civil population is quite determined and confident.

SELLS TURKEYS.

Farmer R. W. Bruce of Bethel, motored into the city Tuesday and sold six turkeys, the last of his flock, and received a check for \$24.85 for the six, and one of the largest ones brought him \$7.36. Mr. Bruce says that they have saved all the eggs they need for setting purposes and decided to sell off the grown turkeys.

NEW DRAFT BILL IS UP

Washington, April 17.—The house military committee reported to the house today the senate resolution providing for the registration of all men who have become twenty-one since June 5th, last year. The favorable report was made after a long debate of the bill in the committee room.

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Runnels County Boy on Collier Given Up as Lost

Roy Scoggins of Wingate, is among the members of the crew of naval collier Cyclops, which has been overdue at an Atlantic port since March 4th. The navy department announces that the vessel was last reported at a West Indies Island station on March 4th, and that it has been due at an Atlantic port for over a month, and nothing heard from it. The vessel was loaded with a cargo of freight and was en route to America from Brazil.

The vessel carried 57 passengers, 15 officers, and 221 men in her crew. Young Scoggins was a fireman on the ill fated ship. He enlisted from Runnels during the early stage of the war and has been serving on the high seas since that time. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Scoggins, of the Wingate country, and is well known in this county.

There were ten Texans on the ship as follows:
ROY SCOGGINS, WINGATE, TEXAS.

Jessie Larkin Barnard, blacksmith, Gainesville.
Leopoldo Garcia, coxswain, Laredo.
John Burleson Owens, fireman, Sour Lake.

First Arrest Here for Breaking Loyalty Law

Joe Cervenka, who was arrested at Rowena Saturday afternoon and brought to Ballinger, charged with violating the loyalty law, waived examining trial and was allowed bond in the sum of \$2500. He experienced no trouble in making bond, A. J. Voelkel and Chas. S. Miller signing the bond, and the man was released and returned to his home.

Cervenka is charged by complaint filed in justice court with making disloyal remarks about the food administration, it being alleged that he said that he expected to eat all the flour bread he wanted to, etc., and that he would not comply with the food administration rules.

When arrested Cervenka denied making the statements charged against him, while friends say that he was drinking, when the remarks are alleged to have been made.

The charge against him is the first to be filed under the new loyalty law in this county. The law makes it a felony to make disloyal remarks about the government or any of its branches during the war. Cervenka is under bond to await the action of the grand jury.

Sheriff Perkins went to Rowena Saturday afternoon to arrest Joe Cervenka and bring him to Ballinger to answer charge of violating the loyalty law passed by the recent special session of the Texas legislature.

Charges were filed against Cervenka in the justice court at Ballinger Saturday, and it is alleged in the complaint that Cervenka made disloyal statements about the food administration, in which

Bibb Bound Robertson, fireman, Dallas.

Leonard Thomas Burgess, baker, Burlington.

Ellert Sidney Cook, seaman, Lampasas county.

James Keller, quartermaster, Galveston.

Clemens George Peters, painter, Dallas.

The Cyclops left the West Indies with one of her two engines damaged, but the department said this fact would not have prevented her from communicating by radio and all efforts to reach her by that means have been unsuccessful, although search of the course which she would have followed in coming to port has been made continuously, it was announced.

There have been no reports of German submarines or raiders in the locality in which the collier was, the department's statement said. The weather has not been stormy and could hardly have given the collier trouble.

The fact that the collier had been missing nearly a month became known here Thursday, April 11. The naval censor requested the Associated Press not to publish the fact on the ground that the ship had not been given up for lost and that to publish the fact that she was overdue might expose the Cyclops to submarine or other enemy attack, while she might be disabled on the high seas. The official announcement by the navy today does not give the ship up for lost, but merely says:

"The navy department feels extremely anxious as to her safety."

SPEEDY TEST TEN MILE ZONE BILL

Austin, April 17.—The first test of the ten mile zone law was filed in court criminal appeals today. G. H. Hollingsworth, arrested at Fort Worth, charged with violating the zone law, has been released on bond and case set for April 24th.

Fort Worth, April 17.—The first arrest for violation of the ten mile zone law was made here this afternoon when Henry Hollingsworth was charged with selling a quart of whiskey to a civilian. While the county attorney could not say, the opinion was expressed that the arrest is the beginning of a test of the constitutionality of the new zone law. It is known that saloon men several days ago planned a test case and it is understood \$15,000 was raised for the purpose of threshing the matter out in the courts. Hollingsworth was placed in jail for an examining trial, time for which has not been set.

Miss Zella Roark left Wednesday for Brownwood, to visit for a few days.

DISTRICT M. E. CONFERENCE.

Rev. Sam L. G. Thompson of Brownwood, presiding elder of this M. E. district, passed through Ballinger Monday afternoon en route to Coleman from Drasco, where he had been on church work the past few days.

He informed us that he would stop off at Coleman to attend the Brownwood District conference, which convened in that city Tuesday. The delegates selected to represent the Ballinger church were E. F. Kraggs, Dr. Thos. A. Rape, W. A. Tally, Elmer Simpson, A. K. Doss, W. E. Hartman and K. A. Williamson, besides the pastor, Rev. J. B. Currie.

Fred Holliday, of Hatchel, was in the city Tuesday advertising a home talent drama at the Baptist church at Hatchel on Friday evening, April 26th, and would be glad to have the Ballinger people come out. The proceeds will be a benefit for the local Red Cross society.

Company National Guard Cavalry For Ballinger

A Company of National Guard Cavalry will be organized at Ballinger, provided the citizens get busy and give the proposition their moral support. This became known Monday upon the receipt of a letter from Hon. Jacob F. Wolters, Brig. Gen. for the new National Guard recently authorized in Texas.

Dr. L. B. Stephens, who served in the Spanish-American war, received a letter from Mr. Wolters, in which the Brigadier General stated that Ballinger had been included in the list of towns at which to organize companies, and the letter was a notice for the people to get busy.

Dr. Stephens will have the opportunity of becoming captain of the company organized here. General Wolters wrote him that he had Ballinger in mind as a good point for the prompt organization of such company, and he asked Dr. Stephens to come to Houston at once to go over the matter and receive instructions.

At a meeting of the business men held Monday afternoon a resolution was passed giving a guarantee of the necessary support, and a strong petition backing the Business League will be in the hands of Gen. Wolters within the next few hours.

American Troops Make Raid and Find Huns Trench Empty

TEXAS TO EAT CORN BREED FOR 45 DAYS

The Eagle has screamed in Texas and its scream has rung from the valley of the Rio Grande to the Llano Estacado—for Texas has gone on a voluntary wheatless program for the next forty-five days, and longer still, if there is a need. The act is the biggest single accomplishment of the United States Food Administration, and word of what Texas has done is now on the cable to cheer the armies of France, England, Belgium and Italy in their days of trial, and our own gallant army withstanding German fire on the Western front.

Saturday afternoon Administrator Peden, wired to Herbert Hoover, United States Food Administrator:

"Based upon unsolicited voluntary resolutions unanimously passed in numerous counties and at various meetings and assurances received from wholesale and retail grocers I feel safe in assuring you that the Great State of Texas effective April 15, goes on a wheatless basis until June 1st, and longer if necessary. Please consider this as Texas contribution toward helping win the war and winning it speedily. Retail stocks on hand will be carefully conserved for babies, young children and invalids during the abstinence period."

The action of the patriotic people of Grimes county touched off the spark which ignited the latent desire of all Texas to be of a greater service, particularly at a time when every man and woman and child on the western front, battling and dying so heroically and when it became known to the citizenship of the State that by giving of their largess of wheat flour, it would help and help materially; that the very act would strengthen and put iron and energy into the morale of the allied peoples of Europe; no where that the question was put, was there anything but an eagerness to respond.

It came from the Valley of the Rio Grande; it came from the hills of Central Texas; the plains of the west; the wooded lands of the east; it shouted out willingness from the prairie lands where the cattle graze. Wholesaler and retailer and housewife; hotel man and restaurant man; the man of the camp and the man of the sea, "Let us give of our wheat to the cause of freedom" and bread already dignified into a sacrament has become a super sacrament in upholding the freedom of the world.

The plan for the conservation of wheat flour in Texas for the next forty-five days is as follows:

"To District and County Administrators:

"Based upon voluntary, unsolicited resolutions passed in numerous counties and by various organizations to abandon the use of wheat until the new crop and on account of assurances received at this office from wholesale and retail grocers, I am today telegraphing Mr. Hoover, telling him that the Great State of Texas, effective April 15th, goes on a wheatless basis until June 1st, and longer if necessary."

Paris, April 13.—The Germans have renewed their attacks in Apremont forest on the American Toul sector, the war office announced today. The report says, "The Americans are co-operating with us and fought vigorously breaking down most of the enemy's attempts. Forty prisoners have been taken in this sector since yesterday. Between Montdidier and Noyon on a twenty mile front there was heavy bombardments. North of Orvillers two enemy surprise attacks failed. Rheims has been bombarded continually under partially section fire."

With Americans in France (Sunday Night).—The Germans are continuing their attacks on American outposts in the sector southwest of Toul, fighting throughout the day and Sunday night. The attacks are a sequel to those of Friday and Saturday in which the enemy attempted to capture permanently the American advanced position. Nineteen more Germans were captured by the Americans in raids, and the Americans were successful in entirely repulsing German attacks made Sunday and late Sunday night.

Paris, April 15.—As result of detailed operation that worked out perfectly, we have taken half score prisoners in the region of Hangard," the French war office announced today. These captures were made since April 12th, and the French also hold 150 prisoners captured in sector between Montdidier and Noyon.

With American Army (Tuesday Night).—Two American patrols crossed over No Man's Land northwest of Toul early this morning. The Americans cleared out German machine gun positions and found enemy gone.

Americans wounded last week are begging the nurses in Red Cross hospitals to let them out for another whack at the enemy.

With British Army, April 17.—Van Armin and Von Quast, leading in the German drive with their armies towards Hazebrouck, are suffering heavy losses. Apparently the only enemy gains during the past twenty-four hours has been at Wyttschaete, which was occupied by the enemy during a blinding mist at dusk last night. Today the British are advancing against Wyttschaete in counter attack, which will probably be retaken. South of Ypres, the enemy in attempting to advance was shot down at long range, and heavy losses inflicted.

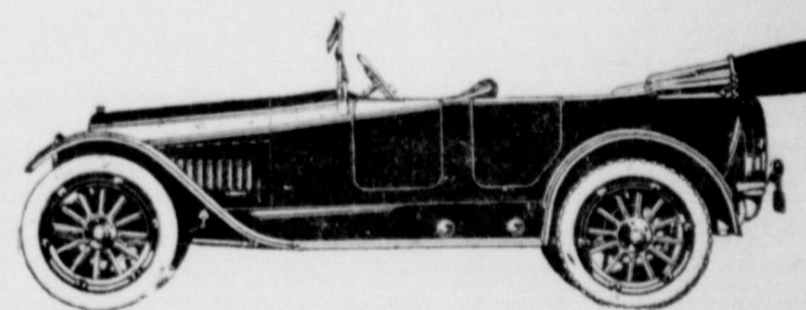
London, April 16.—Ten German

trawlers were sunk by British warships in Cattegate yesterday, the British admiralty announced today. The Cattegate was swept by the British in Monday's sea fighting when the ten German trawlers were sunk by gunfire. The crews of the German ships were saved by the British ships. The British escaped without the loss of a man or vessel.

Washington, April 16.—The war department announced that the total casualties among the Americans in Gen. Pershing expeditionary forces up to date at 3,559. This list includes 1783 wounded. The remainder are dead or missing.

Atlantic Port, April 16.—The first German prisoners of war arrived in the United States today. The prisoners were members of the crew of German submarine U-58 sunk by an American destroyer. The prisoners will be interned. The exact number has not been made public, but it is believed to be about twenty.

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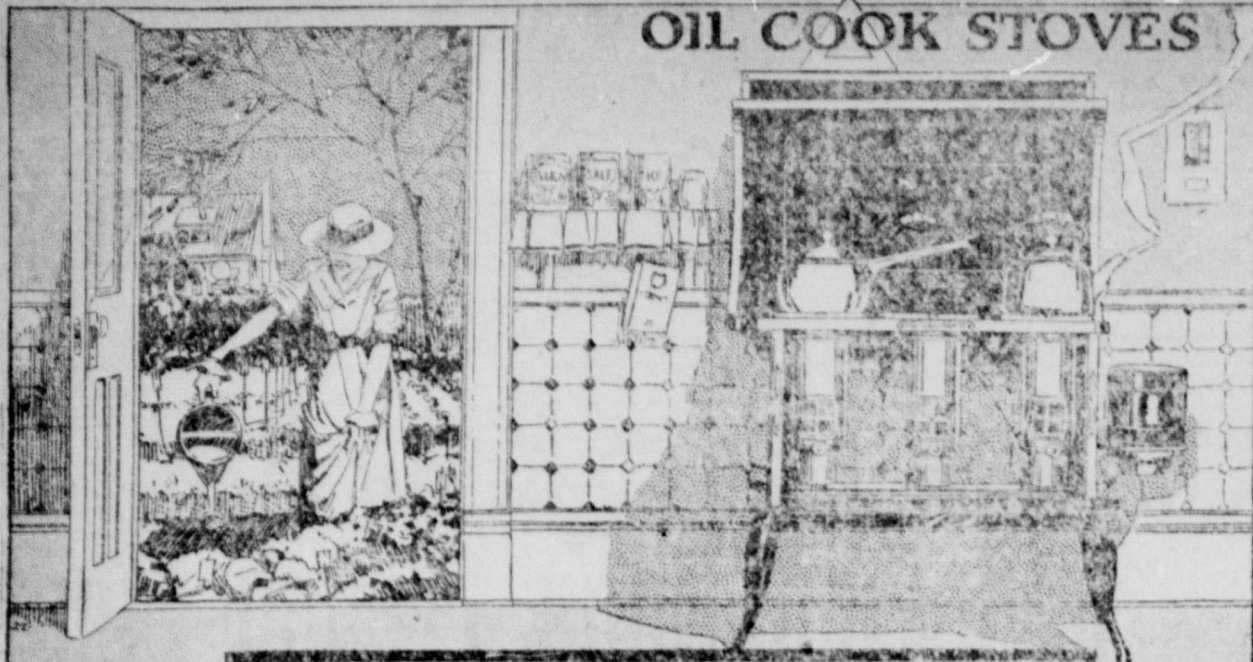
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ANNUAL REPORT OF FARM DEMONSTRATOR

That the public generally may know something of the county agent's work in the county we submit the following with comment.

From citizens of the county in agricultural pursuits have come over telephone 950 calls for information concerning some phase of farm life.

In the performance of my duty in the county and in answering calls to conferences on the part of the government we have traveled by rail 1738 miles, by auto, 8057, all given in actual government service.

One day each week has been given to office work and the remaining work days of the 53 weeks was spent in county among the citizenship.

Individuals numbering 1880 have come to my office for consultation pertaining to some phase of farm activity. On farms not having definite work 487 visits have been made in answer to calls from farmers and others.

There has been sent out from this office 524 official letters, 3241 circular letters, and 400 bulletins.

To men who have been actively engaged in some definite line of work we have made 464 visits. To club members among boys and girls, 130. To owners of gardens, orchards, etc., 150 visits in each and every case the visit was for some definite purpose that had to do with either insect extermination, spraying, pruning, fertilizing, or correcting some adverse condition of soil, or similar work.

At all times we have held ourselves in readiness to answer any call from the business interests of the entire county and have been very happy in meeting with them and in giving every possible assistance when advisable.

In the plans of the government they deem it indispensable that some work be carried on among the schools of the county in such a way as not to interfere with their regular school activities and to coordinate their school with their home life to the end that a certain line of training may result to the child. In carrying out this purpose of the government we have made 33 visits and as many addresses, reaching 2320 pupils and their teachers.

In carrying out the government's plans in Food Conservation, Red Cross work, Y.M.C.A. work, Liberty Bonds, Savings Stamps, and Food campaign work and kindred lines, we have made or arranged for 110 addresses to 5401 people.

In carrying out definite work in poultry growing we have made 18 definite demonstrations in feeding, selecting producers, rations, etc. Reaching in this way people interested directly in poultry growing to the number of 450.

For the improvement of native pecans arrangements have been made for the budding of trees on five farms under the supervision of a Pecan specialist representing the government. Buds now in cold storage to be used during the season.

In assisting farmers in laying out of ditches, 205 acres of land on six different farms has been brought under irrigation which had not been irrigated previously and assistance rendered on four other farms adjusting and perfecting work begun previous to date. This adds to production.

Six farmers are planning to grow under the supervision of a Seed Improvement Specialist from 1 to 5 acres of land planted to some one of the grain sorghums, for the purpose of improving the quality of planting seed and to make available planting seed for this section or other section in case of crop failure here or in other counties doing similar work. In this way an exchange of seed can be had grown under government supervision and selection.

In the sale of two carloads of horses and mules the farmers were saved \$820 by spreading to some one of the market conditions improved and acquainting the people with grades and prices paid by the government. This was done to lessen margin between what was paid the grower and what was paid for the stock by the war department, and in no way to antagonize dealers in livestock, in so far as we were personally concerned.

One outbreak of hog cholera has occurred which was checked without spreading to adjoining farms. Other visits have been made to determine whether hogs had cholera or not, but in all instances save the above mentioned, it proved some other disease.

Perhaps one of the most far-reaching phases of our work will result from the activities of the boys and girls of the county, of which we have 535 to date in active service, in so far as it is possible under the extreme drought conditions. In the poultry and remaining club work 275 have been enrolled, 30 schools having clubs in this work, over the county.

As a result of efforts on the part of this office our records show that \$1,000,000 worth of seed has been exchanged among farmers locally for planting purposes. Serving the purpose of keeping home grown seed at home, and supplying local needs. We have sold direct for them \$200 without charge.

In the item of planting seed alone, through this office to farmers from government supply at Waco, we have saved to those buying as compared with market prices \$1583.65, accommodating 300 farmers.

Without the active cooperation of friends in every walk of life and my very efficient assistant and the financial assistance given by friends in every town and section of the county, we above would not have been done.

One important phase of the work was accomplished in the terracing of 8300 acres of land which if it yields additional 25c worth per acre will have added to the productive value of the county my salary for one year, to say nothing of maintaining the fertility of the soil and prevent its washing away. As someone has said, when the soil of this section has once been depleted it will be difficult to rebuild and legumes the only method of practical

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WE ARE SURROUNDED BY BIG OIL FIELDS

San Angelo, April 11.—Oil has been struck in the well of the San Diego and Texas Oil Company on the T. J. Clegg ranch, two and one-half miles northwest of Carlsbad, and drilling through the oil sand is continuing at a depth of more than 800 feet. This announcement Tuesday caused much interest and not a little excitement in San Angelo, and scores of people motored to Carlsbad to view the well which at an early date is expected to be a big producer. At present the oil is not sufficient to flow in the well but is seeping into the sand at the bottom and is being drawn out in considerable quantities. Experts believe that further down a large pool of petroleum will be struck. The work is being carried on day and night under the direction of Head Driller Reynolds. The new well is only sixty-four feet distant from another hole that was abandoned about six months ago. In this well oil in considerable quantity was struck at about the same depth in which it has been found in the new one. Difficulty in continuing operations an account of a crook in the well caused its abandonment. Hence the finding of oil in the new well only a short distance away has not proved a great surprise to men in close touch with the situation. The San Diego and Texas Oil Company is composed largely of California people, although several San Angeliens have an interest in it. Several thousand acres along the North Concho river around Carlsbad are under lease.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Tubbs of the Norton country, were shopping in Ballinger Saturday afternoon.

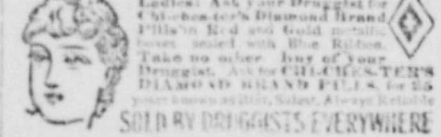
LOCAL BOARD GETS ORDERS FOR 20 MEN

The local board has been called on to furnish 17 white men and 3 negroes in making up the next draft. This movement will begin about the 20th of April, and the men will be mobilized here and sent to Camp Travis.

"These men are for special duty at Camp Travis," said a member of the local board Thursday morning, "and we hope to supply them from volunteers and thereby not making it necessary to call a single man."

The board announces that volunteers will be accepted up until the 20th of this month, the volunteers to apply in making up to this order. Men will be accepted regardless of order number or class, and those wishing to volunteer should notify the board at once. This is the chance to make Rannels county 100 per cent patriotic.

CHICHESTER'S PILLS



APPENDICITIS VICTIM RAPIDLY IMPROVING
Prof. W. S. Fleming, who came home from Austin a few days ago and underwent an operation for appendicitis in the Halley & Love sanitarium, is recovering nicely, we are glad to report. The operation was performed Thursday.

Mrs. R. H. Scholer returned home Saturday afternoon from a week's visit to her sister near Rowena.

MISSISSIPPI OIL WELL AT COLEMAN

Another oil well was brought in near Coleman Monday, according to reports reaching Ballinger. Oil was struck at a depth of about 1700 feet on the Jack Balington farm, three miles south of Coleman. Fox & Doty, of Duck Hill, Mississippi, the operators, have estimated that the daily production will be about twenty-three barrels, but the oil will have to be pumped out.

Four years ago Louis Robertson, of Galveston, sunk a well to a depth of about 2700 feet on the Balington place, but abandoned the project before paying oil was struck.

Reports from Coleman say that three rigs were unloaded at that place this week. One of the rigs is being put up on the James Dillard place ten miles east of Coleman, while another was destined for work near Rock Crusher, a railroad siding, seven miles northwest of Coleman on the Santa Fe.

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SOUTH BALLINGER NEWS

Ed Eulank who came in home last week from Brownwood to be at the bed side of his father who was quite ill a few days, and to be with his son, Carl, who was operated on at the Halley & Love sanitarium, has returned to his work in Brownwood. We are glad to report his father and son both doing nicely.

Mrs. E. H. Hibbert of Killeen, who had been visiting her brother, F. T. Rushing and family, has returned to her home.

Mrs. Ed Harbour and children of Brownwood came in Tuesday to spend a few days with her mother, Mrs. T. O. Brown.

Mrs. W. H. Brown and daughter, Miss Bessie, of Winters, visited her mother, Mrs. Jackson Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. Tom Eulank of Winters, is spending the week with her sister, Mrs. Ed Eulank.

Miss Maydell Rushing who teaches school near Winters, came in Friday to attend the Rally and visit her parents.

Miss Emmie Pagel, who has been nursing a case at Whom came in home Friday to rest up a few days.

WARNING—KEEP OUT!
The public is hereby warned against hunting, fishing, picnicking, or trespassing in any way upon my land located on Mustang, east of Ballinger. Trespassers have been causing me trouble and I must forbid any one entering my pastures. Keep out and avoid trouble.
Mrs. H. Vandevanter.

Shake Off That Grip

When Spring comes, with its changeable weather and your exposure, it is best to clear away all the symptoms left after an attack of grip. That evil disease leaves you weakened, and when its victim attempts to "do his bit" he exposes himself to the risk of a second attack, for which he is less prepared, and which may have graver consequences.

There's Danger in Delay

April and May are pneumonia months. In this time a weakened system is a constant source of danger, for the pneumonia and grip infections are in the air, and after a long winter the body is so clogged with waste it cannot resist them. Fortify the health, remove the catarrh, and improve the digestion.

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SECOND LIST SUBS. TO RED CROSS FUND

Table listing subscribers to the Red Cross fund with names and amounts. Includes names like A. S. Love, E. S. McGreggor, A. F. Kemp, etc.

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Health About Gone. Many thousands of women suffering from womanly trouble, have been benefited by the use of Cardui, the woman's tonic, according to letters we receive, similar to this one from Mrs. Z. V. Spell, of Hayne, N. C.

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FLOUR HOARDER IN MILLS COUNTY

The first instance of seizure of food-stuffs under the federal law prohibiting hoarding has come to light in the Brownwood district. County Food Administrator J. C. Darroch of Mills county, in a report to district Administrator P. A. Whaley of this city last night gave the details of the seizure of five sacks of flour found in the possession of a farmer in the Priddy community, fifteen miles from Goldthwaite.

Mr. Darroch reports that he had gained information that an alien named G. Bufe, living in the Priddy community had purchased 500 pounds of flour from a Goldthwaite merchant early last January, and that he was concealing approximately half the flour in his house. The county administrator, accompanied by the Mills county attorney, went to Bufe's house and asked him how much flour he had on hand.

LOOK AT A CHILD'S TONGUE WHEN CROSS, FEVERISH AND SICK

Take no chances! Move poisons from liver and bowels at once. Mothers can rest easy after giving "California Syrup of Figs", because in a few hours all the clogged-up waste, sour bile and fermenting food gently moves out of the bowels, and you have a well playful child again.

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HUMORS IN SPRING

Such as Pimples, Boils, Eruptions—and Weakness, Languor, Debility. Affect thousands of people and seem to demand the use of a Spring course of treatment without delay.

MANY COUNTIES CUTTING OUT WHEAT

Tom Green county is the latest county in this section of the state to line up in the wheatless column, the merchants agreeing not to order any more flour products until the new crop comes in.

SANTA FE HELPS EMPLOYEES SAVE

J. J. Beck, agent for the Santa Fe at Ballinger, received a telegram from K. S. Hull Friday, in which Mr. Hull stated that he had been advised by the manager of the Santa Fe that arrangements had been made with Deputy Governor Hoopes of the Federal Reserve Bank to give various counties credit for subscription to Third Liberty Loan made by the Santa Fe.

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While the honors were pretty well distributed among the individual contestants, San Angelo won in total points in the Inter-scholastic district meet at San Angelo last Saturday, and contestants from that town will go to Austin to represent the district in the State meet.

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San Angelo was easy winner in the track meet, Chastain of the Ballinger school, being the only contestant to win in an event, having won first place in the twelve pound shot put.

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A large number of people from surrounding towns in the district, composed of Coke, Rannels, Sterling, Reagan, Iron, Crockett, Seton, Concho, Schleicher and Tom Green counties went to San Angelo Saturday, and each team that entered an event had its loyal supporters. The track meet was held at Fort Concho park during the morning while the literary program was rendered during the afternoon at the high school, beginning at two o'clock. Results in the latter were as follows:

CHAMPIONS NAMED IN SCHOOL MEET

Spelling contest—Lilly Cain (Bronte) first; Irving Bird (Ballinger), second; Catherine Hagler (Sherwood), third.

CHAMPIONS NAMED IN SCHOOL MEET

Senior boys' declamation contest—Merle McCasland (Winters), first; Walter Gorman (San Angelo), second; Campbell (Millersville), third. The winner's subject was "The Mission of Dixieland." All the declamations and essays were upon patriotic subjects.

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Senior girls' declamation contest—Elizabeth Little (S. A. High), first; subject "The National Flag"; Kate Cockrell (Ballinger), second; Rebecca Smith (Bronte) and Laura Drunkard (Eden), tied for third place.



ON GUARD

At this time of the year people feel weak, tired, listless, their blood is thin, they have lived indoors and perhaps expended all their mental and bodily energy and they want to know how to renew their energy and stamina, overcome headaches and backaches, have clear eyes, a smooth, ruddy skin, and feel the exhilaration of real good health tingling thru their body.

KEIL BOYS HELD IN DEFAULT BOND

Deputy United States Marshal Baylor Crawford came here this week and carried James and Garnet Keil to San Angelo, where charges of failing to register were filed against them in federal court.

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At San Angelo the two young men were arraigned before Commissioner Jesse T. Couch in federal court. Both men waived examination and were allowed bond in the sum of \$500 each. Failure to make bond is detaining the boys in the Tom Green county jail.

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James Keil maintains that he is thirty-four years old, while his brother, Garnet, says he is thirty-two. Neither of the men are married. It is alleged that in a statement to the local draft board the father of the boys has only been married thirty years, which figures four years shorter time than the lie of the oldest son.

Do You Sleep Well?

To be at his best a man must have sound, refreshing sleep. When wakeful and restless at night he is in no condition for work or business during the day. Wakefulness is often caused by indigestion and constipation, and is quickly relieved by Chamberlain's Tablets. Try a dose of these tablets and see how much better you feel with a clear head and good digestion.

"Gets-It" - 2 Drops - Then to the Dance!

"Goodnight to Corn Pains—Corn Peel Off With 'Gets-It.'" "Say, girls, you can laugh at tight shoes or damp, corn-pain weather, big bumpy corns, calluses on the soles of your feet, corns between the toes, hard and soft corns.

"It's All Off With This Finest Corn Now—'Gets-It' is Magic." If you will just touch the corn or callus with a few drops of 'Gets-It'! What a blessed relief it gives to corn pain! You won't limp any more; you can enjoy the dance every minute. Then to see how that corn or callus will come right off completely, like a banana peel and without the least pain, is just wonderful. 'Gets-It' is the biggest seller among corn removers in the world today, simply because it is so wonderfully simple and always works. Be sure you get 'Gets-It'.

'Gets-It' is the guaranteed, money-back corn-remover, the only safe way, costs but a trifle at any drug store. Mr. J. E. Lawrence & Co., Chicago, Ill. Sold in Ballinger & Co., Chicago, Ill. Sold in the world's best corn remedy by J. Y. Pearce Drug Co.

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NO TIME FOR POLITICS. Gov. Hobby in answer to numerous invitations received from friends and supporters in various parts of the state, says, "I will not make a political speech until the third Liberty Loan campaign has ended, and I request my friends not to make speeches in my behalf during this period. It is no time for politics. In the meantime the man who is trying to come back is shelling words. That's the difference between a politician and a patriot."

GIRL SLACKERS. It has been hinted that there are some young ladies in this town who are idling away their spare hours in a life of ease, joy riding, etc., and while they are thus spending their spare time the Red Cross is calling for help in its sewing and surgical dressing departments. It is a hard thing to even insinuate that a young lady would be guilty of slacking, and we trust that the hint is not true. The best young men of this country are now in uniform, or will be soon, while many have already gone over the top, sacrificing their lives that the American women may continue to enjoy that liberty, freedom and respect that no other country gives, and the young lady who is not helping to keep the home fires burning and doing her all in some line of war work, will not deserve the respect of our soldiers when they come marching home. We trust that there are no young lady slackers in Ballinger. This is no time for picnic parties and society games.

Whooping Cough. Give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to keep the cough loose and expectation easy. It is excellent.

DUST STORM HERE; RAIN PLENTIFUL

What promised to be the long looked for deluge of water changed to a deluge of dust, sand and gravel Sunday at high noon, and this country experienced one of the worst dust storms of the drouth throughout Sunday afternoon.

As the heavy clouds rolled up from the southwest, people hurried for shelter, some leaving church to get home "before the rain." For nearly two hours the clouds hung heavy and low in the west, and becoming impatient to know just what was coming, phone messages were sent west only to bring the news that we were in the path of a dust storm.

Saturday afternoon and Sunday night many points in Texas received good rains, and on down through the central part of the state, via Coleman, Brownwood, Lampasas to Temple, the rain varied from three-quarters to three inches. Colorado, Texas, and points in Coke county to the northwest report dust settlers.

HIGH WIND DESTROYS FRUIT. The high wind whipped off many bushels of peaches and plums in the orchards near Ballinger. The ground in many orchards were covered almost with little green plums and peaches. While in some places it is estimated that at least one-half of the fruit was blown off, fruit growers say there is much fruit left on the trees and this will mature better.

ECZEMA IS ONLY SKIN DEEP

No internal medicine will cure Eczema. Only by the application of CRANOLENE the great external remedy can the eczema microbes be destroyed. Prove this statement for yourself at our expense. Write for free test treatment, address: Mills Chemical Co., Dept. 10, Colfax, Kas. "Sleeps Like a Plow Boy" "I suffered for 25 years with Eczema in its worst form. Affected all over the body. CRANOLENE left me as fine as white silk, and I sleep like a plow boy." J. McCracken, John on City, Tenn. (Written 2 years after using CranoleNE) At all drug stores 50c, 75c and \$1.50. For sale by J. V. Pease. Money Returned if Not Satisfied.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Banner-Ledger is authorized to announce the following candidates for offices named, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, July 27, 1918:

- For Sheriff: J. D. PERKINS. For Treasurer: W. L. BROWN. For Assessor: J. N. KEY. For Commissioner No. 4: I. A. CURRY, J. E. TIDWELL, W. E. RATLIFF. For Tax Collector: M. D. CHASTAIN. For County Superintendent: JOHN J. BUGG. For Representative 111 District: C. R. STEPHENS. For County Clerk: C. W. McCARVER.

SANTA FE SLOT MACHINE STOLEN

The chewing gum slot machine in the Santa Fe passenger station at Ballinger was stolen Saturday night. The machine is supposed to have been stolen after the midnight train Saturday night. \$3 worth of chewing gum and about sixty cents in coppers constituted the booty. Officers were put on the case and are working on a clue that will probably lead to arrest, and broken hearts. The machine was found near the Central school building.

In commenting on the case a local officer said: "There were several boys less than fifteen years old loafing around the depot just before the midnight train came in, apparently without any business out of that time of the night except to be prowling around looking for mischief. These boys will sooner or later make trouble for their parents."

While talking the officer also said there were a number of boys around town loafing on the streets day and night, who should be in school, and he asked what had become of the compulsory education bill.

To Cure a Cold in One Day. Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE. It stops the Cough and Headache and weakens the Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. W. W. GROVE'S signature on each box. 30c.

RETURNS HOME. Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Demmer and children and her sister, Miss Martha Carr returned home Tuesday night from an extended auto trip to Yoakum, San Antonio, Cuero and other points in that section and reports a very pleasant trip and no auto mishaps on the entire route. Mr. Demmer reports big rains all along the route home and had to stay at the Llano river 5 hours to let it run down so they could cross. He says the best sight along the route was the lights at Ballinger when they got in view of the city, and no place looks as good as this city.

If I Were A Farmer. If I were a farmer I would keep at hand a few reliable medicines for minor ailments that are not so serious as to require the attention of a physician, such as Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy for bowel complaints.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for coughs, colds and croup.

Chamberlain's Liniment for sprains and bruises and rheumatic pains.

Chamberlain's Tablets for stomach troubles, biliousness and constipation. By having these articles at hand it would often have the trouble of a trip to town in the busiest season or in the night and would enable me to treat slight ailments as soon as they appear, and thereby avoid the more serious diseases that so often follow.

TO INCREASE TOMATO YIELD.

Add one ounce of U. S. P. Phosphoric acid to three gallons of water. Four a pint of this right around the roots of the plant. In about two weeks repeat. Then in a month or six weeks repeat again. Keep the ground loose around the plant or it will bake. Use the same number applications of cotton seed meal—a good handful to the plant, mixed well in the soil right around the plant. And with the above a good coat of thoroughly rotted barnyard manure right around the plant.

U. S. P. Phosphoric acid is in liquid form and can be had at any drug store, but the fact that it is a little expensive makes its use impractical, except on small areas.

This method of treatment is intended to prevent blooms from falling off and makes a greater yield. Mrs. Genie E. Cameron, County Home Demonstration Agent.

BAPTISES BABY IN NAME OF KAISER

Amarillo, Tex., April 15.—Alleged to have baptized an infant in the name of Kaiser Wilhelm and to have made sedition utterances, J. D. Klein, a German Methodist evangelist of Dennis, Kan., arrested yesterday at Shamrock, Tex., was lodged in the federal prison here today in default of \$1,000 bail to await the action of the federal grand jury which meets here next month.

He is also alleged to have declared in his sermon at which the infant was baptized that prayer for the kaiser would be more effective in stopping the war than all the prayers of Americans.

The evangelist narrowly escaped mob violence at Shamrock and intermediate points while being brought here for safe keeping.

SPANELL PRACTICALLY FREED OF MURDER

Harry J. Spanell, former instructor of music in Baylor University at Waco, who on July 20th, 1916, shot and killed his beautiful wife and Col. M. C. Butler of the United States Army at Alpine, has been practically freed of the charge of murder pending against him by the decision of the State court of criminal appeals at Austin.

In its decision, the court of criminal appeals held that the killing of Mrs. Spanell and Col. Butler was a "continuous affair" and that Spanell's acquittal of murdering his wife exempted him from being tried for killing Butler.

It is stated by attorney for Spanell that the only formality that now stands in the way of Spanell's freedom is for the trial judge at Coleman to instruct the jury to render a verdict of "not guilty" when the case again comes up for trial, in accordance with the action of the court of criminal appeals in reversing and remanding the original verdict.—Midland Reporter.

Jiles Jones, who had been visiting his father, B. F. Jones and family, left Wednesday morning for Bangs.

IT SURE SURPRISED ME SAYS W. R. WADE

Overcome Troubles in a Week's Time Taking Tanlac and Is Back on the Job.

"It's the honest truth before I had taken this Tanlac a week I was well and strong enough to go back to work," said W. R. Wade, a well known resident of Winfield, La., the other day.

"I had a very bad case of stomach trouble and rheumatism," he continued, "that knocked me out so I simply had to quit working. My stomach was in such a awful fix everything I would eat disagreed with me and made me miserable all the time. My limbs and joints would ache so I could hardly stand it and, in fact, for a whole month before taking Tanlac I wasn't able to put in a full day's work at all."

"One of my friends had been taking Tanlac and told me it had done him a world of good, so I got me a bottle to try. Well, sir, it sure surprised me, for I began to feel better right from the very first dose and before the week was out I was back on the job and have been working right along ever since like nothing had ever been the matter with me. I never saw anything in my life before to give such quick relief as this Tanlac, and I haven't had a single symptom of my trouble since I started on it."

Tanlac is sold in Ballinger by Weeks' Drug Store, in Winters by Owens' Drug Store, in Miles by Jno. W. Crawford, in Rowena by Shiller's Pharmacy, in Wingate by R. E. Finley & Co., and in Token by J. W. Bright.

SPRING HILL NEWS

Farmers are pretty well up with their work. We are now waiting for the big rain that is coming soon, we hope. The irrigation farmers are putting in a dam close to Dean Brothers' farms. Miss Winnie Flowers visited the Misses Allison's last week.

We are glad to report Mrs. Bullock getting along nicely at the Halley & Love sanitarium.

Miss Florence Parr, one of Ballinger's graduate nurses will be in soon to bid farewell to friends and loved ones as she is going to answer her country's call as a Red Cross nurse. She has enlisted in the Navy.

Our school closed last Friday, one of the best years of school we have ever had. Miss West was our teacher and she was loved by all, but on account of death she had to give it up. Miss Page, of Ballinger, then took the school and proved a most successful teacher. She is very highly esteemed by pupils and parents.

DESERVES A GOLD MEDAL FOR THIS

Cincinnati Authority Tells How to Dry Up any Corn or Callus So It Lifts Right Out.

You corn-pestered men and women need suffer no longer. Wear the shoes that nearly killed you before, says this Cincinnati authority, because a few drops of Freezone applied directly on a tender, aching corn stops soreness at once, and soon the corn loosens so it can be lifted out, root and all, without a bit of pain.

A quarter of an ounce of freezone costs very little at any drug store, but is sufficient to take off every hard or soft corn or callus. This should be tried, as it is inexpensive and is said not to inflame or irritate the surrounding tissue or skin.

If your wife wears high heels she will be glad to know of this.

AT THE HALLEY AND LOVE SANITARIUM

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Trammell of the Norton country, came in Sunday and Mrs. Trammell was operated upon for appendicitis at the Halley & Love sanitarium in the afternoon, and we learn she is resting very nicely from the operation. However, other complications have been found and her condition is very critical at present.

Ballinger Lady Overcomes Use of Morphine.

"Troubled about 10 years with what the doctors called gall stones, often I thought I would die before the doctor could get here, when he would give me a hypodermic of morphine and advise an operation. A neighbor told me about Mayr's Wonderful Remedy for stomach trouble and since taking the first dose 2 years ago I have not had an attack nor needed a hypodermic." It is a simple, harmless preparation that removes the catarrhal mucus from the intestinal tract and allays the inflammation which causes practically all stomach, liver and intestinal ailments, including appendicitis. One dose will convince, or money refunded. Jno. A. Weeks, Druggist.

SOLDIER BOY WRITES LETTER TO MOTHER

Mrs. Ida Owens, of Route B, out of Ballinger, is in receipt of a letter from her son, Chester Owen, who enlisted in the navy some time ago. The letter was written at San Juan, Porto Rico, dated March 17th, and says, in part: Dear Mother:

I received your letter a couple of days ago. Was surprised that it took so long for my letter to reach you. This is a mighty pretty place, and is much prettier than any of the other West Indies Islands, and they have a beautiful supply of fruit, sugar and tobacco. They have apples, oranges, fruit and bananas, and all kinds of vegetables. This is the most civilized of the West Indies Islands. San Juan is the capital of Porto Rico and it looks like some of the states that I have seen here yet. A big percent of the people are white and some of them are from the States, but in the rest of the islands most of them are negroes and low class Spanish people. They are crippled, deformed and will take a disease just from a cut or break in the skin. Just as soon as you get a scratch you have to go to have iodine put on the place. If you neglect it and it develops into a sore you have to go to the hospital and lose your pay.

I had my allotment made to you. I guess it has got there by now, if not I will see to it right away. I have made second class fireman and I draw \$41, but believe me we sure earn every bit of it, for it is so deathly hot in the fire room. I went through a large sugar mill the other day and saw them making sugar and syrup, and there were other mills in sight.

Well, I made one trip across without getting sick. I fed the fish, however, not because I was sea sick, but because I got too hot in the fire room, but believe that I made it all O. K. The first time I fed the fish and was sick good and proper.

I wish you could get some of the rain we are getting here for it rains every day and twice at night.

A fellow sees a lot of fun and learns a lot, but it is a rough place for me. I have a chance for promotion, but we don't have the freedom that we have in the good old U. S. A. I am going to do all I can to help get the kaiser.

Your son, Chester Owen.

The Quinine That Does Not Affect the Head Because of its tonic and laxative effect, LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE is better than ordinary Quinine and does not cause nervousness nor ringing in head. Remember the full name and look for the signature of E. W. GROVE, 30c.

NOTICE. The attention of the City Commissioners has been called to the fact that some features of the city's Sanitary ordinance pertaining to toilets are not being complied with.

The Civic League, in making an inspection of the city, has found that many toilets are not provided with a board on hinges to protect the garbage from exposure on the alley. This is one of the requirements in the construction

Banner-Ledger Want Ads

WANTED—Hides, bones and junk of all kinds. Don't sell until you see I. O. Wooden, 600 South, 8th Street, 10-41w.

FOR SALE—Pair good work horses, or would trade for Ford car. Phone 334. Gerald Black.

BLACK LANGSHANG EGGS—For setting from pen of pure bred stock. \$1.50 per setting. F. M. Wiley, Ballinger, Texas. 1-8w-pd

FOR SALE—A Ford, 1917 model. J. D. Mangum. Phone 280. 28-d&w5t-pd.

MAIZE For Sale—Cleaned and re-cleaned, threshed by hand, graded and triple graded, and nothing but pure Dwarf Maize, original seed from Nebraska, of the large grain type. Apply to John Walden, Bronte, or Higginbotham Bros. & Co., also at Mayerrick or Norton. 8-143w

LOST—1 brown mare mule, 3 yrs old, about 14 hands and 1 inch high; dim wire scratch on left hind foot. Liberal reward for return of same. Write S. R. Duke, Route B, Ballinger. 19-2w-pd.

LOST—Ladies watch on streets of Ballinger. Finder get reward for return to Ledger office. 9-242w-p

Calomel Users! Listen To Me! I Guarantee Dodson's Liver Tone Your druggist gives back your money if it doesn't liven your liver and bowels and straighten you up without making you sick.

There's no reason why a person should take sickening, salivating calomel when a few cents buys a large bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone—a perfect substitute for calomel. It is a pleasant, vegetable liquid which will start your liver just as surely as calomel, but it doesn't make you sick and can not salivate. Children and grown folks can take Dodson's Liver Tone, because it is perfectly harmless. Calomel is a dangerous drug. It is mercury and attacks your bones. Take a dose of nasty calomel today and you will feel weak, sick and nauseated tomorrow. Don't lose a day's work. Take a spoonful of Dodson's Liver Tone instead and you will wake up feeling great. No more biliousness, constipation, sluggishness, headache, coated tongue or sour stomach. Your druggist says if you don't find Dodson's Liver Tone acts better than horrible calomel your money is waiting for you.

and maintenance of toilets in the city limits and all persons are hereby notified to make this improvement if same is not already in that condition. After a reasonable length of time, the City Marshal will be instructed to make a tour of inspection of the city and all persons not having made this improvement on their toilet will be subject to prosecution. The Summer season is now approaching and every effort to combat and prevent diseases of all kinds obligatory on the part of every person having a toilet facing an alley and you are expected and requested to immediately attend to the same.

E. F. KREBS, Mayor. C. P. SHEPHERD, City Attorney. 17-2d1w.

MORTUARY.

MRS. TAMPLIN DEAD. Mrs. Sarah Francis Tamplin, aged 61 years, 9 months and 3 days, died at her home in South Ballinger Monday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock, from cancer. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. M. D. Scoggins at the residence Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, and the remains were tenderly laid to rest in the Ballinger Cemetery.

She was a christian woman, a devoted mother. She leaves her two brothers, Tom and John Knight besides other relatives and a host of friends to mourn her death. The Ledger joins friends in sincere

condolence and sympathy for the relatives during this sad hour of bereavement.

FRANK BARNES DEAD. Frank L. Barnes died at Tuscola Friday afternoon and the remains were shipped to Ballinger and the funeral services were conducted at the home of his brother-in-law, S. C. Cameron at 3 o'clock, Saturday, by Rev. R. B. Morgan, and the remains were tenderly laid to rest in the Ballinger Cemetery, in the afternoon.

He had been in feeble health for some time past from a weak heart, and his death was quite sudden, though not altogether unexpected. He was married in our city about a year ago to Miss Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Babe Smith, and was about 25 years of age at the time of his death. He was a young man of exemplary character and strict integrity, and a conscientious christian. Besides his wife, he leaves his father and mother, and several brothers and sisters to mourn his early demise. The Ledger joins many friends in condolence and sympathy for the sad relatives left to mourn his death.

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in maintaining the family health. A combination of simple laxative herbs with pepsin, free from opiates and narcotic drugs, and pleasant to the taste, it acts easily and naturally, restoring normal regularity. First prescribed by Dr. Caldwell more than twenty-five years ago, it is today the indispensable family remedy in countless homes throughout the United States.

Sold in Drug Stores—50 cts. and \$1.00

A trial bottle can be obtained, free of charge, by writing to Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 457 Washington St., Monticello, Illinois

MANY SUBSTITUTES FOR WHEAT FLOUR

Washington, April 17.—Wheat can be conserved in the home without hardship. With abundant crops of other cereals many of which may enter into bread as a partial substitute for wheat flour, there is no danger of hunger or a lack of bread. Every housewife is urged by the United States Department of Agriculture in Farmers' Bulletin 955 to use some substitute for wheat flour in whatever bread, biscuits, pastry, etc., she prepares, thereby joining the ranks of those who are helping to win the war.

By the use of such substitutes the texture of the bread will not always be so pleasing, the specialists say, and the loaf will usually be smaller. In yeast bread as much as 25 per cent of flour or meal from other grains or from dried peas, beans, potatoes, nuts, etc., may well be used, and as much as 50 per cent in "quick" or hot breads produce articles excellent in flavor and attractive in appearance. Many of these breads will have not only equal but even greater nutritive value than if made from wheat flour alone. In using wheat substitutes locally grown products should be used as far as possible.

It is not necessary to use these sub-

stitutes always in the form of flour or meal. The use of boiled or baked potatoes, corn-meal mush, cooked rice, etc., all produce breads which compare well with those made from the corresponding flours or meals. This fact provides the housewife with a good use for left-over and enables her to prevent waste. Milk, either whole or skimmed, or the whey remaining when cottage cheese is made improves the quality of bread and it should be used whenever available. Syrup may be used in place of sugar and often improves the flavor of bread.

The bulletin referred to gives complete directions for making bread, biscuits, muffins, cookies and various kinds of pastry in which wheat-flour substitutes are used.

FIRE DESTROYS BARN AND CHICKEN HOUSE

A midnight blaze Saturday night destroyed the barn and chicken house of J. Whit Patterson. A half hundred little chicks and a number of hens were barbecued.

The fire originated in the chicken house and soon spread to the barn. The fire company was on the scene in ample time to save the barn, but trouble was experienced in getting water, and the barn was practically burned up before the water pressure was sufficient to check the flames. The origin of the fire is unknown.

OUR BOYS OR GIRLS.

"A rose with all its sweetest petals yet unfolded."

Young Friend! With your future before you, what will you make it—success or failure? With your health you have the power within you to possess the blessing of practical knowledge, the joy of achievement, the content of success, but only through intelligent effort. If you have within you the love of higher things and better days; if you have ambition, energy and determination, we can train you in business methods—Bookkeeping, Stenography, Cotton Classing, Business Administration and Finance, Telegraphy, etc. and secure for you a good position. You have no time to lose. The Spring and Summer months should be used in securing a practical knowledge that you may accept a good paying position when the busy fall season begins. In our years of experience in teaching, we have helped many young men unfold and blossom into superior manhood and womanhood—awaken to the responsibilities of business life and crown labor with success. What we have done for others we can do for you. The business world is seeking everywhere for young men and women who are able to do the work the business office demands. Let us impress upon you in the language of Narado, a indoor stage. "Study to know." Develop your judgment. Young friends, use your youth in the pursuit of knowledge. We can give you no better advice than to join our industrious band of students; they are here from many different states, and are going out daily as graduates into splendid positions secured through our free Employment Department.

Our large catalogue containing the statements of young people who have traveled the road we are advising you to travel will be interesting reading to you. The letters from business firms with whom they are now engaged will be encouraging to you, and our low tuition rates and credit plans, together with the short time taken to complete the course will be a pleasant surprise to you. Fill in your name and address, clip and mail today for catalogue.

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NOTICE OF HEARING

To Appropriate Public Waters. THE STATE OF TEXAS—

Notice is hereby given, to whom concerned, that Chas. Furgason & Son, whose postoffice address is Ballinger, Texas, did on the 30th day of March, A. D. 1918, file an application in the office of the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, in which they apply for a permit to appropriate, by impounding, for the purpose of irrigating 175 acres of land hereinafter described, sufficient water from the unappropriated storm or flood waters of the State of Texas, said water so appropriated to be impounded in a reservoir created by the construction of a dam to be located 38 varas above the upper or Northwest corner of Valentine Reice Survey No. 413 on the Colorado River, in Rannels County, Texas, distant in a Westerly direction from Ballinger nine miles. Said reservoir to impound 350 acre-feet per annum.

You are hereby further notified that the lands proposed to be irrigated are out of the Northwest corner of the Valentine Reice Survey No. 413, consisting of 175 acres.

A hearing on the said application of the said Chas. Furgason & Son will be held by the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, at its office, in the City of Austin, County of Travis, said State, on Monday, the 6th day of May, A. D. 1918, beginning at ten o'clock a. m. at which time and place all parties interested may appear and be heard. Such hearing will be continued from time to time and from place to place, if necessary, until such determination has been made relative to said application as the said Board of Water Engineers may deem right, equitable and proper.

Given Under, and by virtue of, an order of the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, at the office of said Board, in Austin, Texas, this 30th day of March, A. D. 1918.

W. T. Potter, Chairman.
Rollen J. Windrow,
C. S. Clark,
Board of Water Engineers

Attest:
James Hays Quarles, Sec.
12-4w

REVENGE AND THE WOMAN

EPISODE 8.

Urged by Black Jack, the outlaws threw armfuls of green wood on the fire sending great volumes of dense smoke pouring into the tunnel mouth and the intense heat driving the outlaws back, where, circled about the entrance, they watched for signs of life within. Johnson questioned Haines as to how long they could last and the latter replied with a savage grin:

"If they don't come out, they'll choke to death."

Behind the barricade of rocks, the situation of Blake and Bessie was indeed desperate. The girl, with her face closely covered with a piece of linen, had partially recovered consciousness, but the increasing smoke and heat told Blake that to remain where they were many minutes longer meant death for both.

Glancing up at the walls of their prison, Blake noticed the smoke passing rapidly into the tunnel depths beyond. He turned to his wife and exclaimed: "Where smoke goes, we can go." Helping her to her feet, he picked up the axe and rifle and they made their way back to where another tunnel crossed at right angles. Down this, the smoke was traveling to some escape further on. Pressing on for perhaps fifty yards, they halted at the foot of a shaft entering the tunnel diagonally from above and forming a chimney up which the smoke was pouring.

An avenue of escape it appeared to the imprisoned pair, but choked with oil shavings and timbers clinging to crumbling sides which offered slight foothold. There was no alternative, however, and Blake at once started to clear away the debris, Bessie helping with her bare hands.

Working for their lives they soon had constructed a platform which closed three quarters of the shaft opening and from which they began their upward flight along the treacherous sides of the shaft.

Out of the top of the mountain peak there issued a tiny trail of smoke that increased in volume until it was noticed by Black Jack and his fellow outlaws. Curiosity they watched changed to concern as the smoke trail lessened and became jerky, indicating interference with the draught within the shaft. Shortly, the smoke stopped issuing altogether and a glance at the entrance of the tunnel showed that it no longer passed the barricade of rocks. Black Jack realized that his prisoners must have made their way back into the tunnel and turning to Johnson, said: "The shaft is blocked. They are trapped." Then after a second thought: "Blake can die, but I want the woman."

He then ordered his men to clear the tunnel mouth into which they plunged with drawn pistols. The outlaws made their way quickly to the platform which explained to them the ceasing of the smoke trail. Part of the outlaws savagely attacked the platform which was soon torn away, while the others were dispatched to climb up the mountain side to intercept the captives.

Blake and Bessie had by this time climbed half way to the top of the shaft the opening to which could be seen thru a net work of debris. Pausing a moment to rest, they looked down to see Black Jack thrust his head through the partially demolished platform. They redoubled their efforts to reach the open, but were halted by a shower of bullets, as the bandits swarmed after them up the shaft.

Turning now and then to return a short or hurl a plank or rock down on their pursuers, Blake desperately fought his way upwards with Bessie always within reach, until at last they emerged into the sunshine, exhausted but unharmed.

It was a close race, for hardly had they gained their feet when two of the outlaws sprang after Blake. The three men struggled at the very edge of the shaft until Blake by sheer superior strength hurled one of them and then the other down the shaft, as Bessie, using a plank as a bar rolled after them a large rock which went crashing down, effectively closing the shaft and ending any further attack from that direction.

Ascending the mountains from the tunnel mouth, Red Johnson and his party were halted within fifty feet of the top by a sheer stretch of rock springing from a broad shelf and extending to the very crest of the peak. Along the rock there rested an old pine which had slipped over the brink years before. The top rested on the ledge, forming a natural ladder of which the outlaws were quick to take advantage.

Blake, seated near the mouth of the shaft was resting after his battle with Black Jack's men and scheming how to escape from the trap into which he apparently had climbed, when a violent shaking of the pine, whose trunk projected over the cliff a dozen feet away brought him to his feet. At the same instant Bessie cried out a warning and he turned to see an outlaw's head and shoulder over the cliff, his rifle resting along the trunk of the tree.

Blake was the man before he could fire, wrenching the rifle from his grasp and hurling him back whence he came. A half dozen men were then in the branches climbing upwards, urged on by Johnson who stood on the ledge waiting for a shot at Blake. The latter placed his shoulder against the root and aided by Bessie slid it along the edge of the cliff until it slipped over into space, carrying a number of Haines's men with it. Their leader, being well down in the tree, was able to leap safely onto the shelf with the remainder of his companions.

Black Jack and survivors of his gang barred from ascending the shaft by the rock Bessie had hurled down into it, retreated to the tunnel mouth where they were shortly joined by Johnson. Thoroughly angered by their double defeat at the hands of Blake and the girl, the leaders determined on a divided assault on the mountain peak, with orders to the men to kill Blake at any cost, but to spare the girl.

"We've got 'em anyhow," growled Haines. "There's only one way they can escape—the Devil's Slide." He then instructed Johnson to take

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his men up the Slide side of the mountain, while he would again attempt to ascend by the shelving rock.

Starting from a point further up the mountain than the shaft opening and passing not far from its entrance was an old flume, filled with water from a dammed-up spring, despite the decay from age of its boarded sides and bottom. For a distance down the mountain it rested on the ground, then was carried on a trestle until it curved from view.

Blake and Bessie approached this flume, drinking the cold, clear water and bathing their faces. This done, she turned to her husband with the inquiry in her eyes "where now?"

"Down the Devil's Slide to the lower level," answered Blake, as together they scrambled over the flume and hastened to the head of the Slide.

Toiling upwards from the tunnel mouth, Johnson and his followers passing beneath the trestle carrying the flume were drenched with water. They halted long enough to note a wide break in the flume at one of its highest points. Meantime, Black Jack had led his men to the shelving rock, where by much exertion they succeeded in replacing the tree ladder, up which they scrambled to the top of the peak.

Blake stood at the head of Devil's Slide, studying carefully the descent when he felt a clutch at his arm. Bessie was at his side, a fresh terror in her eyes.

"Look," she whispered. "The outlaws."

Following the direction of her extended arm he caught sight, far below leaping from rock to rock, of Johnson and his men ascending the very path he had picked for their escape. Drawing back quickly, he retreated with Bessie to the flume, gaining its shelter at the very instant Black Jack's gang, rifles in hand, scrambled into sight over the tree trunk. Caught between two forces of the enemy, escape seemed impossible. Blake glanced at his rifle, but a battle in the open then would spell suicide for them both. There was one chance—and only one—the flume.

Already Black Jack's men were prepared to charge down on them while Red Johnson's gang could be heard clattering up the Slide. Seizing Bessie, he lifted her over the side of the flume into the fast racing water, holding her tight while he climbed after and in front of her.

Thus they began their wild ride for life down the mountain side.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends who have been so sympathetic and kind to us during the recent illness (which lasted more than four weeks) and death of our mother and wife and little baby. We have received many kind letters which we appreciate very much.

We have received many good kind letters from Macleand-Wilmeth country, and other places who so joyfully contributed to help pay our expenses. There must have been 25 or 30 of them. We know they have a warm place in their hearts for us. We can never forget you. I pray God's blessings on you all.

J. A. PATTERSON,
and Children.

WOMEN MUST GO REGISTER TO VOTE

Tax Collector Chastain is preparing to issue registration receipts to women voters. All women who intend to vote in the July primary must register in order to become qualified voters in the primary this year. Hereafter they will be required to pay poll tax and secure poll tax receipts the same as men voters.

The law fixes the time within which the women must register, and in due time notice will be given. Some of the men are inclined to treat the suffrage law as a joke and predict that the women will not register, but they will find the women voters a factor to be reckoned with in the coming primary election. In some counties the women are organizing in order to get their full voting strength to register and participate in the election.

Registration blanks will be printed in due time, and preparations made for registering all the women voters in this county who take advantage of the opportunity to participate in the primary.

Robert Q. Harris of Seibold Hotel, Fort Worth, Texas, Gains Six Pounds

Gains Relief From Gall Bladder, Rheumatism and Kidney Trouble, After Using One and a Half Bottles Pep Systematic Pills.

Robert Q. Harris ("Red") makes the following statement to Pep Systematic Pills representative:

"I suffered from gall bladder, rheumatism, constipation and kidney trouble, my system was greatly weakened and for a long time I was threatened with paralysis of the left side. In other words, I was 'down and out' physically, but after using one and a half bottles Pep Systematic Pills, I am practically cured of all ailments. But I intend to continue the pills until I am thoroughly relieved.

"At the rate I have overcome my weakness, I believe about two more bottles will make me once again well and strong."

"I have gained about six pounds since I began treatment of the Pep Systematic Pills and they are a great boon to me."

People suffering from nervousness, gall bladder, constipation, rheumatism, sleeplessness, stomach troubles in all forms and that "tired, fagged-out" feeling should begin taking Pep Systematic Pills today.

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If you are one of the many unfortunate persons who cannot eat without suffering afterward, if you are constipated, have bilious spells, headaches, coated tongue, bad breath, variable appetite, are nervous, losing energy and feel your health slipping away, take this advice and get a box of Nature's Remedy (NR Tablets) right today and start taking it.

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and just see how much better you feel. See how quickly your sluggish bowels will become as regular as clock work, how your coated tongue clears up and your good, old-time appetite returns. See how splendidly your food will digest and how your energy, "zip" and "ginger" revive.

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FIRST YEAR OF WAR IN FIGURES

\$12,967,270.07 is the total U. S. War expenses to date.

1,528,924 enlisted men and 123,801 officers are in the United States army; 330,000 enlisted men and 21,000 officers are in the navy.

\$1,881,000,000.00 was the Navy's first year war expense.

28 days after war was declared American destroyers were patrolling European waters.

187 days after war was declared American troops were under fire.

225,000 machine guns a year are being made for the Army.

\$601,000,000.00 has been appropriated for Aviation.

70,000,000 men from 21 to 31 years of age were registered for army service.

17,508 pounds is the total weight of the steel in one broadside from the U. S. S. Pennsylvania.

41,500 tons will be the rating of six new U. S. battleships authorized, the largest in the world.

700,000 tons of interned German ships were taken over when war was declared.

650,000,000 feet of lumber were used to build 16 army cantonments.

\$8,560,802,052.96 was the total of bonds, savings certificates and thrift stamps issued in year.

20,000,000 pairs of shoes have been ordered for the army.

\$12,465,116,500.00 War Risk Insurance was issued to soldiers and sailors.

COMMISSIONERS TO BUILD FENCE AROUND BROWN CO.

The commissioners' court, at their meeting Tuesday, ordered a five wire fence built around Brown county, along the county line, to effectively keep cattle out of Brown county, in order to more successfully carry out tick eradication.

The commissioners entered into a contract with Bedford & Brown of Tulsa, Okla., to drill for oil and gas on the county poor farm. They are to go to a depth of 3,000 feet.

The commissioners passed an order that the county tax collector follow the state statute hereafter in the collection of a watermelon tax. He overlooked the matter in the past.—Brownwood Bulletin.

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUBS GET BUSY

Twenty-seven Boys and Girls Clubs have been organized in this county, representing a membership of more than 500. These boys and girls will be of great assistance in food production, raising pigs, poultry and crops. The government will aid these boys and girls in every way possible, furnishing bulletins and instructions that will help them to make better men and women.

Following are the names of the clubs, number of members and the name of the president, respectively:

- Maverick, 23, Allen Moore.
- Brookshire, 16, Ruth Clark.
- Bell, 12, Irene Welsh.
- Christoff, 19, Alma Smith.
- Winters, 50, Homer Hall.
- Red Bank, 8, Ocie Tounget.
- Lone Star, 13, Loyd Wilkerson.
- Tolken, 7, Clarence Cox.
- Elm Creek, 10, Ray Dick.
- Ballinger, 50, Linton Clark.
- Norton, 18, Floyd Mackey.
- Pumphrey, 16, Chester Puckett.
- Baldwin, 18, Deward Hill.
- Crockett, 12, Lawrence McCorey.
- Rinnels, 14, Randall Campbell.
- Hatchel, 21, Chester Davis.
- Harmony, 21, Eulen Yeager.
- Drasco, 22, Ruby Sanders.
- Mazeland, 27, Clarence Gobbel.
- Eagle Branch, 9, Truman Brandon.
- Crews, 11, Viron Norris.
- Bethel, 36, Ruben McShann.
- Rowena, 21, Allene Kason.
- Miles, 25, Chas. Kason.
- Gearty, 10, Howard Booser.
- Old Norton, 7, Brown Key.
- Stone, 11, Loyd Martin.

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 D. F. Eaton, County Agent.

WAGING WAR STAMP STAMP CAMPAIGN

By the end of this week C. A. Doose, chairman of the War Saving Stamp committee for this county, and Rev. R. B. Morgan, advisory committeeman for the council of defense, will have visited practically every rural school in this county, made speeches and organized Thrift Stamp Clubs. At a number of places patriotic rallies have been held and at many places the patrons of the school have turned out in great numbers to meet the war stamp workers and assist in any way they could. At most all places the speakers have been given a good hearing and much interest is being manifested in the campaign.

On Wednesday of this week Rev. Morgan and Mr. Doose visited Kirby, Orion, Crews, Lone Star, Tokeen, Elm Creek, and Hardelem school. On Thursday they visited Eagle Branch, New Home, Tennessee, Benoit, Brookshire and Millar schools, and were out shelling the woods again Friday, leaving Ballinger early Friday morning.

Rev. Morgan announced that special meeting arrangements had been made for neighborhood patriotic rallies next week. A rally will be held at Paramore school house Monday night, April 15, at 8:30 p. m. A rally will be held at New Home School Wednesday night, April 17th at 8:30 p. m. Judge O. L. Parish will be the speaker at this rally. Friday night, April 19th, at Franklin school house, a rally will be held with Judge S. C. Harris as speaker.

GERMAN CHILDREN BUY WAR STAMPS

Rev. R. B. Morgan and C. A. Doose, continuing their thrift stamp campaign, returned from a trip to the southern and western part of the county late Friday afternoon. They visited Brookshire Bell, Baker Flat, Cross Roads, Greenwald, Olfen schools and organized thrift stamps clubs, and sold stamps to the charter members.

"We found good crowds at the schools and we were impressed with the enthusiasm and readiness to buy stamps at some of the schools," said Rev. Morgan in making a report of the day's work.

At the Greenwald school Rev. Morgan stated that twenty-eight children came forward with the money and bought their stamps, and at Olfen twenty-two children bought stamps. These communities are made up of German and Bohemian people, and the thrift stamp speakers report that the citizens in each community seemed to be enthusiastic in America's behalf in the war.

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If you want to prove how pretty and soft your hair really is, moisten a cloth with a little Danderine and carefully draw it through your hair—taking one small strand at a time. Your hair will be soft, glossy and beautiful in just a few moments—a delightful surprise awaits everyone who tries this.

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The foregoing is the significant statement recently made by the Fuel Administration in connection with the efforts being made at this time to induce private consumers to buy now, the fuel that will be needed to carry them thru until March 1, 1919.

Lower prices prevail now than will be the case as the summer advances; transportation facilities are now ample, and labor can be had for both producing and delivering fuel.

As the requirements of the Government for the movement of war material grows, and as summer farm work comes on, these conditions will change. For the worse, so from every standpoint of self-protection, the consumer is urged to take up with his fuel dealer at this time, the matter of buying what he will need to keep his family warm next winter.

Wiley Blair, Federal Fuel Administrator for Texas.

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Pony Creek Voting Precinct No. 23, Pony Store, J. W. Bigby, manager of election.

Ballinger Voting Precinct No. 24, Ballinger, Texas, Edwin Day, manager of election.

Said election shall be held under the provisions of the Road District Act as amended by the Thirty Fifth Legislature at its regular session 1917, known as Chapter 203, and only qualified voters who are property taxpayers of said Road District No. 1 of Rinnels County, Texas, shall be allowed to vote, and all voters 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 Thereof," 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 Thereof."

The manner of holding said election shall be governed by the laws of the state for holding general election.

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 a newspaper published in said Road District No. 1 of Rinnels County, Texas, for four successive weeks next preceding said election, and cause to be posted a notice thereof at three public places in said Road District No. 1 of Rinnels County, Texas, one of which shall be at the courthouse door for three weeks prior to said election.

O. L. PARISH,

County Judge of Rinnels County, Texas. 12-w4

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Tom Atwell, of Miles, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday.



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EARTH WAS NOT MADE TO FIGHT ON

The Dalles, Ore., April 13.—One thing certain this Indian didn't want to fight. Just look at his unique exemption plea. It was written by Jack Culps of the Warren Springs reservation.

His letter reads:
"I am Indian, and I am Indian who they made a reservation for, and for what kind of Indians. And I am just the same (same) as long ago. I cannot become a citizen. Because we are unfit to become citizens. I see myself yet as long ago. I am speaking my old language yet."

"I see myself not fit to become a citizen. There for I should be exempted. I am sure I have no law of any kind, just you white people have law. I am in the reservation. And I am Indian who have not yet join in anything of citizenship. We may or we may not."

"You are getting the young men of our race. And you are getting the young men who are full blooded Indians, who are not citizens. The father, mother or grandfather or grandmother are unable to work. And now these young men are taking care of their people because they got the strength to work. There for the law of the house of Washington, D. C., is finding us non citizens are not to go to war. That for I know myself. Therefor I am telling you. The race of my tribe is valuable. Therefor I think I should not taken in to war."

"My old people never joined with any kind of a thing with your white or they never had white people. You know our tribe has no flag which they carried in war. Just your white people has flag which you carried in war. There for I say I am entirely exempted from war."

"I never asked no time for citizenship. There for I do not know myself as a citizen. I am in a reservation of Warm Springs reservation of Oregon. I do not know of my chiefs ask for citizenship. Now as the law says all Indians that are full blooded are not citizens. These are the kind of citizens we are full blooded, non citizens."

"There for we say us Indians keep still for a while let us explain to you our thoughts."

"From where did a wonderful light of this earth any my humanity. Therefor your brother sent some person to come and gave our people some good speech and ask our people for land. There they completed their speech. They completed it with peace. There for Indians do not want to step on the bloody ground of war."

"The creation of this earth was not created to go and have war on, or war purposes."

"We are say this so as to hold our boys and work on their farms and take care of their old parents."

"I am hoping to hear from you. We sent this to the house of where they are examining men. You all must look at this letter."

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To promote a healthy action of the liver and correct the disorders caused by biliousness Chamberlain's Tablets are excellent. Try them and see how quickly they give you a relish for your food and banish that dull and stupid feeling.

CORN MEAL BISCUIT.

(All measures are level, when sour milk is used the acidity should be that as for all wheat flour biscuit.)

Sift one cup of corn meal, one cup of rye or wheat flour, one teaspoon of salt, and four teaspoons baking powder into a bowl. Cut in, or melt and pour, two tablespoons of shortening. Mix with one cup of sweet milk to a soft dough. Sift a small quantity of flour around dough, just sufficient to handle for rolling, but not to make dough stiff. Roll half inch thick and cut out, and bake from 12 to 15 minutes.

If sour milk is used in making these biscuits, and it may be with quite as good results, use one level teaspoon soda, and two of baking powder, sift as directed with the meal and flour and proceed as instructed above.

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We regret to note that Master Calvin Kirk Jr., is very seriously ill this week at the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Kirk on 7th Street. He is suffering from heart leak and rheumatism.

Jack Pierce, the tick inspector for this county, informed us Saturday that Coleman county would vote on the tick eradication in that county on the 25th of May.

J. A. Freeman left Sunday for Brownwood to visit his wife and children a day or two at the home of her parents near that city.



Cold, rain, winds, and dampness bring out the rheumatic aches. An application of Sloan's Liniment brings quick relief. No rubbing. It penetrates.

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KILLS PAIN

THE KAISER WILL COME TO BALLINGER

Rupert Julian, the famous movie actor, will be seen in Ballinger in the role of "The Kaiser" on Saturday, April 27, matinee and night. This announcement was made by Manager Cohen of the Queen Theatre Monday. "The Kaiser will spend eight days in Dallas at the Hippodrome, and the Dallas News in speaking of 'The Kaiser' says:

"Americans have been slow to realize that the greatest barbarian of all history is now the most powerful monarch living or who ever has lived in this world. Alexander the Great would have been crumpled like a withered leaf by the power of the Kaiser. Caesar and his legions were like children playing at war in comparison and Napoleon and his armies would have been slaughtered and trampled into dust by the war machine of the German Emperor. For cunning, cruelty and ferocity nothing has appeared in human form that even suggested such a being."

"Rupert Julian has chosen this character for the moving force in a picture play called 'The Kaiser.' Private showing of the picture has been given at the Old Mill Theatre during the last few days and it may be said in all conservatism that Mr. Julian has correctly conceived and realistically portrayed the Hohenzollern. History is adhered to closely and in no case has Mr. Julian

permitted himself to overdraw the characterization of the war lord. History tells us that he had a withered arm, and he is pictured that way. The withered arm, of course, can not be photographed, but the determination to rule the world, regardless of the destruction of everything living or dead, of everything good and holy, that may stand in the way is vividly shown."

"The sayings of the Kaiser are historically correct and the scene of incidents in his life which indicate his cruel and savage instincts are true, according to accounts of them coming from people who have written of the life in his court. The deluge of blood he has brought upon the world in the effort to satisfy his ambitions can be photographed, nor can it all be told about in the printed pages of books, but enough can be told to inform the people of the world what sort of a creature has risen among them."

"Rupert Julian takes the part of the Kaiser in the picture and his impersonation is good. The spiked moustache, cruel mouth and captious manner are familiar to all who have studied the Kaiser."

"But the Kaiser is not all the picture. There is a little story running through the play, touching in its simplicity and poetic in its climax. The peace and happiness of Belgium is illustrated in beautiful village and pastoral scenes, and then all this ideal quiet is wrecked and ruined by the great dragon. Murder, plunder, destruction and worse follow each other in the swift movement of the barbarous hordes which compose the German army. The men of 'blood and iron' are busy living up to the horrid title of which they boast. All the outrages committed in Belgium are not shown, because much of these were too vile for public view in the United States.

Enough is shown to chill the blood and remove any lingering doubt that the German 'Kultur' must be destroyed if the world is to remain a fit place to live in."

For Indigestion, Constipation or Biliousness
Just try one 50-cent bottle of LAX-FOS WITH PEPSIN. A Liquid Digestive Laxative pleasant to take. Made and recommended to the public by Paris Medicine Co., manufacturers of Laxative Bromo Quinine and Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic.

AUSTIN BOY APPOINTED TO ENSIGN SCHOOL

Ernest Clemens, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Clemens of Austin, with eleven other Harvard students, has been chosen by President Lowell for an appointment to the ensign school for the navy located in Boston. Mr. Clemens took his academic degree at the University of Texas last June and was at that time only 19 years old. He has spent the past term of school at Harvard University law school and the past summer school at the University of Chicago. He recently won high class distinction which was awarded with a prize set of law books.—Austin American.

The young men referred to in the above is the son of H. Clemens, who is well known in Ballinger, spending a good part of his time here looking after property interests in this county and who for a number of years has been associated with C. A. Dose in the colonization of land in this county. Young Clemens has visited here.

Rev. Father Gollbach left Saturday afternoon to fill his regular monthly appointment at Coleman over Sunday.

ANOTHER PATRIOT.

Under the above heading the Gainesville daily paper tells of Master Clarence Turbeville, age 5 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Turbeville, of that city, having bought \$100.00 War Savings Stamps with money he had saved in his little bank, without being supplemented by any money from his parents. The paper states the little fellow wears his uniform and is all the time 100 per cent for America. The little fellow above mentioned is the grandson of Judge and Mrs. M. C. Smith of our city.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Gardner left Sunday morning in their auto for New Castle to visit his mother a week or two.

GONE TO EASTLAND.

Judge R. B. Truly left Thursday for Eastland, in response to the solicitations of legal friends at his old home to come and spend a while during the oil boom at Ranger, and we hope and feel sure he will get in on the ground floor, as his legal ability is thoroughly established. He expects to be absent several weeks and we hope to see him return home with his name among the millionaire oil magnates.

Porter Murray of the Houghton & Roberson ranch country, up the river, was transacting business in Ballinger Saturday.

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THE FIRST KITCHEN CABINET

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Help win the war—SAVE Wheat, Meat, Fats and Sugar.

Man Wounded in France To Speak Here April 26

Ballinger will be brought face to face with the grim realization of the war next week. On Tuesday, April 23, at nine o'clock, the war relic train will arrive here and spend two or three hours.



A TEXAS WONDER
The Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder troubles, dissolves gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1. One small bottle is two months' treatment and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Send for testimonials from this and other States. Dr. E. W. Hall, 228 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists.—Adv.

This train brings the weapons of war, and car loads of relics loaned to this country by the French government, and which are being shown to inspire patriotism. On Friday 26, at two o'clock, Alfred G. Phipps, a member of the French Foreign Legion, who saw service at Verdun, will speak here. This man will come here to tell the people at first hand of the war in France and to inspire a greater spirit of patriotism. In advance of this man's coming, it will be interesting to our readers to know something of his experience.

Alfred G. Phipps, a direct descendant of Sir William Phipps, founder of Massachusetts Bay Colony, and one of the battery of five men sent by the Aviation Signal Corps to boom the Third Liberty Loan in Texas in the campaign

which opens April 6, declares that the fear of "going over the top" is not as great as that facing a German submarine on the Atlantic.

Phipps was with the French Foreign Legion at Verdun and Soissons and was on a vessel that an enemy torpedo missed by thirty feet. Young Phipps is now an acting sergeant in the Aviation Section Signal Corps and is in quarters in Kelly Field, San Antonio, Texas. He is awaiting an opportunity to become a cadet flier and in the meantime is whipping recruits into shape. His training with the Foreign Legion has qualified him for this task and he was recently offered a warrant as "top sergeant," which he declined because of his desire to get actively into aviation.

Early in the war the feeling that he ought to get "into it" gripped Phipps and he entered the American Field Service, an ambulance organization which has won distinction for its valiant service to the suffering French before Verdun and the British at the battle of the Somme. This detachment is now a part of the regular American forces in France.

When Phipps reached France early in June, 1916, the war was brought home to him in a manner he declares he will never forget. The trip over the Atlantic on the liner "Espagne" has been uneventful and he, like many other young Americans who offered their services to the Allied cause, the Boston youth had come to look upon their enlistment as one of the "great adventures" that young manhood is forever dreaming of. War to him was a thing of glory, glitter and dash. When he set foot on French soil he found it to be a thing of death, mud and suffering. The incident which brought Phipps face to face with the true character of this world catastrophe occurred a few days after his ambulance section began moving forward. Phipps was driving a "Sammayon," or ammunition truck. There were twenty of these in the Ambulance unit.

"It was on the fourth day out," said Phipps. "We had already come within range of the big German guns and to an unexperienced man such as myself, the noise was terrifying. Directly in front of us was an ambulance manned by a driver and a French Lieutenant Commander. As we wound around a curve in the muddy road the whine of shells became more intense. Suddenly as if like a stroke of lightning there was a terrific explosion and the next thing I knew I was lying in the road-bed with a wound in my arm where a shell fragment had struck me. The ambulance in front of me was a mass of wreckage and crumpled up under the debris was the form of French Lieutenant. He had been instantly killed, as was the driver, whose body, terribly mangled, was found some thirty feet from the wrecked machine. I remember

I went sick at the sight and then my own wound almost mercifully drew my attention from the scene before me."

Phipps was immediately ordered back to a base hospital in the Bois de Bologne in Paris where his hand was first x-rayed and then treated. He declares the French hospitals are marvelous and that the systematic manner in which wounded are treated is due in a large manner to the work of American surgeons, such as Dr. Baker who have given up everything to aid the suffering.

A ten day furlough in Paris gave the Bostonian an opportunity to study in the wartime Frenchman and especially his famous capital at close range. He said that although there was an apparent air of tension, the populace had endeavored to keep up the gay spirit which is so essential a part of the Frenchman's make-up. At night Paris was darkened promptly at nine o'clock but aside from that there was little to indicate the true condition of affairs.

"One of the most picturesque sights of my life," Phipps said, "was when I walked along Montmartre after curfew at night. Loathe to desert his favorite hunting ground the Frenchman remained at his little table in front of the cafe in the dark, sipped his liquor, did his talking, lunched his song and smoked his cigarette or cigar. The intermittent lighting and glowing of the fragrant cigarettes gave the impression of a long lane of fireflies. It was very impressive.

"On one occasion I heard the sirens warning the people of an attempted air raid and there was a general scattering for cover. It turned out later that the German fliers had tried to bomb one of the base hospitals but had been driven off by French machines before being able to reach their objective.

His furlough over, Phipps resigned from the Ambulance service, determined to get into real action at the front. He applied for enlistment in the French Foreign Legion and was accepted and assigned to the infantry section. Luck came his way and it was not long before his section was ordered to the front. He was sent to Shambilly near Verdun, and arrived there in the midst of the great battle which is now a part of the world history. It was at this point that Phipps went over the top.

"I don't know whether I was afraid or not," he said. "One becomes a fatalist in the trenches and the thing is all over so quickly that you do not have much time to do anything but fight. The idea is to get the enemy before he gets you. I believe the most fear comes just as you climb out of your trench. It is then you realize you may never come back. Once out in 'No Man's Land' you don't care."

After the battle of Verdun had grown into a vast failure Phipps became interested in Aviation and joined the Lafayette Squadron as a cadet. Here he went through the ground work and went up a number of times but was never engaged in actual combat. At about this time America entered the war and preferring to enter the service of his own country, Phipps obtained his discharge and started home determined to try for a commission as a flier.

It was on this voyage back to the United States that he encountered his first submarine and experienced, as he says, his first real feeling of fear. His ship was two days out from Bordeaux and having stood guard for two days in succession, Phipps was in his bunk. It was shortly after seven o'clock in the morning and a friend had just awakened him with a request to join a poker game. As he arose and began to comb his hair a submarine was reported and he rushed to deck in his pajamas to see what was going to happen.

"I could plainly see the periscope," he declared "and then, of a sudden, our ship quivered from stem to stern, and a violent explosion threw me flat on my face on the deck. I fell down five times before I could compose myself. I never experienced such a sensation of fear in my life. There is something so uncanny about the submarine. "Our gunners then opened fire and the vessel went ahead in a zig-zag course. Our third shot missed the conning tower of the submarine by only a few feet and then the German launched a torpedo at us. I will never forget the feeling I experienced as I stood there and watched that steel messenger of death draw near. Then relief came. The torpedo missed. One American on our ship lost his reason and leaped overboard. A freighter just behind us was not so lucky and was torpedoed. Two French destroyers, however, saved the crew."

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RETURNED TO CAMP TRAVIS.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Davis and children, of the Winters country, came over in their auto Saturday to accompany their son and brother, Clifton Davis, who left in the afternoon for Camp Travis to resume his army duties. It will be remembered that he had a severe attack of meningitis some time ago, but we are glad to report that he is regaining his usual splendid health, though not yet at normal condition. He was delighted with his trip home and many pleasant greetings from old friends which will be a pleasant remembrance when he goes to actual service. His visit home was indeed a pleasant one to himself and his parents, brothers and sisters.

Henry W. Artman came in Saturday at noon from the Kelly Aviation Fields, and will be the guest of his Mississippi friends, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Coggins and family of the west end. He volunteered about a year ago and is taking a short furlough before leaving for new fields of operations.

Artman near Waco, Friday night to spend a short furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Wood, and Ballinger friends.

J. W. E. Meadows informed us Saturday that they were just in receipt of a letter from his son-in-law, Will Stuart, who is now with the motor department with the army in France and says they are kept awfully busy in their line, and only allowed one half day each week to do their washing. He is enjoying fine health which his many friends will be glad to learn.

Mrs. Jack Beard left Saturday afternoon for Camp Bowie to visit her husband who is in the army camp at that place.

W. S. Davis of the Winters country, came in Saturday to be with his grandson, Clifton Davis, who left for Camp Travis in the afternoon.

A. W. Johnson of Anson, passed thru Ballinger Tuesday en route home from Camp Travis to spend a short furlough with home folks.

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BUYS HOME.

W. R. Clark, has just closed the deal for his old home place, from C. E. Ward up the river three miles. The farm consists of 70 acres of well improved land and Mr. Clark says they are now located for good and shows his faith in Runnels county dirt by paying a good round price for this ideal home.

NOTICE.

There will be a play entitled "A Family Affair" pulled off in the First Baptist church at Hatchel on Friday, April 26th, the proceeds to be given to the Red Cross. For such a great cause we anticipate a large attendance. Come and show your patriotism. 16-1d1w-23-1d.

G. W. WHITE IN SERIOUS CONDITION

We regret to report that G. W. White is in a serious condition at the Halley & Love sanitarium. Mr. White has been in bad health for some time and he was carried to the sanitarium for an operation Sunday. It developed that he had cancer of the stomach, and the physicians pronounced that an operation would not benefit him, and he is in a serious condition.

A BARGAIN.

Two Fords—1918 Models, almost new. \$9498. R. P. Com. 16-d3w1

WAR STAMP MEETING AT PARAMORE SCHOOL

Rev. R. B. Morgan and C. R. Crews visited the Paramore school house Monday night, where it had been advertised that a meeting would be held for the purpose of organizing a war stamp club. After the stamp club was organized a delegation from Winters took charge of the meeting and presented the Liberty Bond and Red Cross work, selling \$200 worth of Liberty Bonds and securing five members to the Red Cross.

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