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HALL HARDWARE COMPANY

13 Negro Mutineers Hung at Camp Travis

MAKING RECORD SPEED ON NATIONAL PROHIBITION LAW

Washington, Dec. 11.—The pros scored another victory in the move for National prohibition when, by agreement of unanimous vote in the house this morning next Monday was selected as date for consideration of the bill. By the agreement the National Prohibition amendment to the constitution will come up for consideration and a record vote taken by the house.

The passage of the amendment by a two-thirds majority of the house will place the question up to the states, the senate having passed the resolution by a two-thirds majority at the last session. As soon as two-thirds of the states adopt the amendment the law will become effective and the sale and manufacture of liquor in the United States prohibited.

PROS GET 1,000 MAJORITY IN MILAM

Cameron, Dec. 11.—The pros here are celebrating over the results of yesterday's election in which the county voted dry by a majority of about 1000. The campaign was a warm one, both sides contesting every inch of ground.

Holiday Cards for Late Shoppers.

The engravers have notified us not to accept any more orders for engraved Christmas Cards, but we have just received a nice line of plain and fancy cards for the late Holiday shoppers, and can print these up in any quantity with any wording. Drop in and see them. The Ballinger Printing Company, dtf.

Mrs. E. L. McAlpine returned Tuesday at noon from Dallas, where she had been for a few days.

BULLISH GOVERNMENT COTTON REPORT

The cotton market advanced 100 points Tuesday morning on the strength of the government report, or on the strength of the manipulators. After making 100 point gain a slight decline followed, but the bullish sentiment seemed to prevail, even on the local market.

The report in figures shows a crop of 10,949,000 bales against 11,363,915 for same date last year. The report shows the shortest cotton crop for quite a number of years, with the demand greater than for any period in the cotton growing history of the country.

HERE'S WHERE WE MISSED GOOD PICKING

The ginners report, showing number of bales of cotton ginned up to November 14th, shows that this section of the state only ginned about one-third as much cotton as in 1916 up to November 14th, while a bunch of counties over in the northeast part of the state made much more than for a number of years in the past. Kaufman county ginned 58,215 bales up to November 14 last year while this year 71,251 bales were ginned, a net gain of 13,036 bales. Lamar, Rusk, Smith, Cooke, Denton, Fannin, Grayson and even the old county of Van Zandt all come up with big crops, the total ginnings showing an increase of about twenty-five per cent over last year. The prospects are that the price of cotton will continue to be high and this country will reap a harvest next year, or there will be a general giving up.

Mr. Baskin and son, of Athens, Texas, are here on a visit to their brother and uncle, Dr. E. C. Baskin and family.

Blanton Coming Here to Fight German Propaganda

Washington, Dec. 6, 1917

Hon. A. W. Sledge, Ballinger, Texas.

My Dear Mr. Sledge: There will be very little business transacted here before Christmas, and because of the things I will mention, I have decided to put in this time in speaking over my district.

German influence is now carrying on in our Government an extensive and very serious propaganda in an attempt to deflect loyalty from a sufficient number of citizens to hamper our Government in the prosecution of this war. You would be astonished to see the amount of propaganda that is placed even on the desks of Congressmen and Senators almost every morning here in Washing-

ton. Germany's success in causing a civil strife in Russia has made her bold in keeping up that effort in this country. It is highly necessary that all of the people of the United States should be kept loyal and should stand solidly behind the President and our Government in this crisis. I am becoming more and more alarmed at the unrest which seems present in a great many industrial lines and I believe just now it is the duty of every Representative in Congress to answer to the Government for the loyalty of his own district.

I am going to begin a speaking tour in Texas next week, and I will speak at the following places near you: Ballinger Wednesday, December 19th at 10 o'clock a. m.; (Continued on page 3)

The Necessaries of Life Caused Russ Revolution

Note.—The last of the series of articles of William G. Shepherd, United Press Staff Correspondent on the Russian situation follows.—Editor.

By William G. Shepherd. New York, Nov. 22.—Kerensky's gravest mistake, in addition to refusing to put the iron hand on both the radicals and the aristocrats, was that he never paid sufficient attention to the food question in Russia.

As soon as the revolution was accomplished Kerensky began to try to spur on the Russian army to activity. While he was doing this the working men, including the railroads were striking for shorter hours and for increases in pay that amounted in some cases, to 300 per cent. The railroads decreased in efficiency; wood-cutting, on which the railroads are dependent, fell off. The wood-boats on the Neva, that carry fuel to the various railroad centers, became fewer and fewer. Transportation became more and more inefficient and food became less and less in Petrograd and the great centers, while in the rural districts, where food was plenty, shoes and clothes became scarce for the same reason.

A hungry and poorly clad, and unhappy civil population was growing behind the lines while Kerensky at the front, was making speeches and telling the Russian army that they must fight. At last he got that pitiful drive at Halitch, when an army composed in considerable parts of Letts, who had once been in the German army and had been taken prisoners by the Russians, attacked a portion of the front on which their were Letts on the enemy's side, many of whom were willing enough to surrender. That was a staged drive, and it was all that Kerensky ever got out of his months of work.

Russia knows now that, if Kerensky had spent those months in tranquillizing the workmen and peasants of Russia and had organized the fuel supply and the railroads he might have solved the food supply problem of Russia, to an appreciable extent, and then, with a contented civil population behind him, he might have turned to the army and spurred it on to battle.

The plain fact about Russia today is that the people in the big cities are hungry and the people in the villages are suffering for lack of shoes, clothes and other manufactures.

Lenine and Trotsky could never have succeeded in Petrograd if the civil population had not been hungry. Last July, in their attempt to take the city, they failed, because the civilian population was against them.

This November, with a black winter before them and with food growing scarcer and the bread lines growing longer, with shoes, and clothes almost impossible to purchase, the civilian population took guns and went into the streets to help the Bolsheviks. The hungry Russians were willing to agree to any change of government, even to a Bolshevik government, in the desperate hope that they might, in some mysterious way, get food and clothes and fuel for the winter.

Kerensky, with all his talk and his ideals, had not secured for them the necessities of life. After four months of mastery he had done nothing but stir the army to a disastrous activity. The army was against Kerensky for the same reason.

The 20,000,000 soldiers of Russia are not all soldiers. Putting a peasant or a working man into a soldier's uniform and giving him a gun has not made him a military man; he remains the same peasant or the same workman, with the difference that now he is a peasant or a workman with a gun. It is this citizen with a gun, whose family is hungry, who has overthrown Kerensky. This citizen who fears that the land may be divided while he is at the front, who knows that his wife and children are going about either poorly clothed or hungry and that their sufferings this winter will be greater than ever before, has turned on Kerensky. The Bolshevik promise him bread and peace. If the Bolshevik give him and his family bread, he will not worry about peace; he will not seek peace. If they do not give him bread, they will go down into the ash heap of past governments in Russia.

And who will come after they go? The only answer is: Anybody who can feed them.

The Czar was moved the other day from his home in Tobolsk because the peasants came around his house, and, bowing their heads to the earth, said:

"Little Czar: We are suffering! Come back to us." Now the Czar is in a mountain monastery, twenty miles from Tobolsk, which the peasants are not allowed to approach.

REVOLUTION IN PORTUGAL A SUCCESS

Libson, Dec. 11.—Portugal government forces were successful in a revolution with rebels. The revolution cost at least one hundred lives, five hundred wounded, according to latest estimates. Complete order has been restored and there is no fear of further trouble.

MUNICIPAL HOLIDAY PLANS UNDERWAY

The various committees are working out plans and details for the Municipal Christmas tree to be given at the court house Monday evening, December 24th. The first rehearsal of the children was held at the Eighth Street Presbyterian church Monday afternoon, and the chorus singing promises to be a big feature of the entertainment.

The committee in charge of the program has announced that the program will be presented twice, or in other words there will be "two shows." On account of the unusually large crowd that is expected to attend the entertainment and for the benefit of those who live at a distance in the country, the program will be rendered at five o'clock in the afternoon, lasting about one hour. After about one hour's intermission the program will be presented again, beginning at seven o'clock. The program will cover about one hour.

Every one is invited, the Christmas tree being free for all and the people from the country are especially invited to come and bring the children. Following is the program, which is incomplete, a number of changes now being discussed by the committee:

1. Opening Chorus—Boys and girls of the different Sunday Schools of Ballinger.
2. Mrs. Cornelius' orchestra will furnish several selections.
3. Readings—Mamie Gean Hale, Frances Holman and Katherine Goram.
4. Vocal Duet—Rev. Self's little son and daughter.
5. Readings—Misses Ethel Bair and Vera Nicholson.
6. Music from First Presbyterian Church.
7. Reading—Marie Bradt.
8. Male Quartet from Methodist Church.
9. Eighth Street Presbyterian Church will furnish a musical number.

All the Sunday Schools of the town will cooperate with the Civic League in this Christmas exercise.

Mr. Lankford has kindly offered to get the Christmas tree for the Civic League.

The following committees have been appointed:

Committee to get the piano and place it in the court house: Messrs. Elmer Simpson, Holt Smith, Claud Lynn, A. W. Sledge, John Weeks, Clappitt, Nance and Dr. Halley.

Committee to get fruit, etc., and the funds—Mesdames Giesecke, J. B. Curry and Scott H. Mack.

Committee to give out fruit, etc. to the children—Mesdames Scott H. Mack, Edwin Day, A. W. Sledge, Kelly and Misses Marryatt.

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Fort Sam Houston, Dec. 11.—Carrying out the order of the court martial, thirteen negroes were hung early today. The order of the court martial was for forty-one other negroes to be sent to federal prison for life, one given a sentence for two years, while five were acquitted and sent back to the army. The thirteen given the death sentence were carried to a point near Camp Travis and hung at sun up this morning, being pronounced dead at seventeen minutes after seven o'clock.

The negro troops were convicted for participating in the Houston riot on August 23, when armed negroes formed a mutiny and killed a number of officers and civilians at Camp Logan. After the riot the negroes were carried to Fort Bliss, and later returned to San Antonio and tried. Most of the negroes executed came from Illinois and when the Illinois soldiers were brought to Camp Logan.

BALLINGER BOY BURNS OUT AT AMARILLO

Amarillo, Texas, Dec. 8.—Fire which originated from the heating apparatus destroyed the Russell & Coekrell Publishing House here early today, entailing a loss of \$25,000, covered by \$15,000 insurance.

The paper stocks were destroyed, a linotype machine and press badly damaged and a large stock of stationery and supplies were ruined by water and smoke.

The firm will occupy its new building now being erected. Clyde Coekrell, the junior member of Russell & Coekrell, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Coekrell, of Ballinger, and at one time was associated with this paper. His friends here will regret to hear of his misfortune.

Sales slips did you say. Call 27. We can handle it for you.

THIRTEEN MEN ARE CALLED TO CAMP

The local exemption board mailed out notices Tuesday to thirteen registrants notifying them to mobilize here next Thursday, Dec. 13, at four o'clock. The men will be held here until Friday afternoon at 3:55 when they will en-train for Camp Travis. Following are the names of the men called: Boyd Cotton, Dallas.

Clyde Hampton Harville, Ballinger.

Will D. Proctor, Fort Worth. Ralph C. Crouch, Ballinger. Arthur Strach, Miles. William Edward Mann, Salado, Texas.

Chas. Almer Enson, Wingate. George Francis Smith, Grandview.

Frank Teague, Wingate. Bablo Rodriguez, Ballinger. Clyde G. Allison.

This is not a new call but men being sent to fill up the vacancies created by registrants being turned loose after they had been inducted into the military service.

W. A. Nance
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NIGHT PHONES

Henry Jones
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Mrs. Jim McWhirter is at home from Fort Worth, where she has been for several months. Mr. McWhirter is in the barber business at Camp Bowie, but will come home Christmas, and Mrs. McWhirter says she is back for keeps and finds Ballinger the best place, regardless of the drouth.

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ECCENTRIC MAN NOT ENEMY SPY

Officers throughout the country are on the alert in keeping a close eye on strangers who dropped into a city and act in a way as to create the least bit of suspicion.

A stranger was called on to reveal his identity, and show his allegiance to the American government Monday when Sheriff Perkins invited a man by the name of Matt Berkle to accompany him to local headquarters.

The stranger had been in Ballinger and operating in the Rowena, Miles and Paint Rock country for the past week or more and his actions were such as to attract not only the attention of the officers but citizens who had called the attention of the officers to the stranger.

When interrogated the man was a free talker and made no effort to evade any question asked him, and proved to be an eccentric character and a native of Germany but claimed to have taken out his naturalization papers some where in Wyoming.

The man stated that he had been thirty-six years in America, but had visited Germany since coming to this country, having visited the old country during the Cleveland administration. He said his father was a German and his mother was born in Hungary.

According to the story told by the man he had been making his home for the most part during the last several years in the mining district of Arizona, and in early summer of this year he purchased a little piece of land near El Paso and was attempting to engage in the poultry business and was in this country for the purpose of buying chickens to put on his chicken ranch. He had succeeded in buying sixty-six chickens and had these in a pen waiting to get enough to make a shipment. He carried the cash with which to pay for the chickens he purchased and furnished references showing where he had other money on deposit. Berkle said he was paying a cent a pound more for chickens than other buyers and would buy anything that had feathers on it and could cackle.

Without waiting to be questioned the man talked fluently, although in broken English, and shows to have seen much of the world in his day. He could speak five different languages, including "United States," and while he was rather rough in appearance, carrying all his baggage, clothing and personal effects, he had with him on his person, he convinced the officers that he was not an enemy to this country, and while

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he could not give the name of a man in Texas, and had no relatives that he knew anything about, he was released and permitted to go his way.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

There has been some misunderstanding about the new traffic law in Texas all this year and for that reason City Marshal Pileher has been a little lenient on the public in reference to violations of the traffic laws of the state.

The Regular session of the 35th Legislature 1917, passed a lengthy traffic law containing 44 sections, some of the sections were penal and some civil in their nature, but for some reason in framing up the law, the makers failed to attach ANY PENALTY whatever to any of the penal sections, so of course, the penal sections were a dead letter on the laws of the state, so when the first called session of the 35th Legislature met, it passed an amendment to this said act of 44 sections, known as section 45 which attempted to provide a penalty to all penal sections in the said original 44 section act, but again the law makers got hauled up and failed to include section 45, which section provides, "That every motor vehicle, other than a motor cycle, or bicycle shall carry, when in operation, two lighted lamps in front and one red lighted lamp in the rear, when in operation 1-2 hour after sunset and one-half hour before sunrise, etc."

That every motor vehicle, other than a motor cycle, or bicycle shall carry, when in operation, two lighted lamps in front and one red lighted lamp in the rear, when in operation 1-2 hour after sunset and one-half hour before sunrise, etc." so this section was a dead letter till the second called session of the 35th Legislature met later on, and amended section 43 and included section 45, and this law became effective on and after October 10th, 1917, and provides a fine of not more than \$100 for the first offense and not less than 10 nor more than \$100 for second offense.

So we see by reviewing the legislation on this question that we have today a valid law on the statute books of our state covering the subject.

Mr. Pileher is asking that all drivers of motor vehicles and riders of bicycles and motor cycles take notice, as he intends to enforce the said section 45 in the future to the letter, and if there is anyone who thinks that there is now, no effective law governing this matter they have another "think" coming, as is explained above.

So after this notice, be careful to have your lights in operation as provided by law or else you will be subject to a fine for the violation thereof. 24-1w.

FORTY YEARS' SUCCESS

For a business to be successful for forty years means a great deal. Among other things, it means remarkable excellence in the products it sells. No inferior article can be sold on a large scale for so many years; and it must not only be good at the outset, but so good that the progress of forty years shall not develop any better article to supersede it.

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James Callan, Marion Sanson, and a number of other Fort Worth stockmen, passed through Ballinger Monday, enroute to San Angelo to attend the executive committee meeting of the Texas Cattle Raisers' Association.

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SOCIETY

By Miss Fannie Wilmett Phone 39

Needle Workers Entertain.

The Home Needle Workers entertained their families on Thanksgiving Day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wilke with a turkey dinner and all the accessories. All members were present with one exception, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Moore, and dinner was sent to them. The afternoon was spent in playing 84. Music and singing were also diversive for the afternoon. Most every club member remained for supper, after which a number went to the picture show.

Needle Workers Club.

The Needle Workers met Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Chester Cherry. The afternoon was spent in making Christmas gifts. Several members were absent on account of sickness. Delicious refreshments were served. The club adjourned to meet Thursday, Dec. 13.

Forty-Two Club.

Mrs. E. L. Hagan was hostess to the Forty-two club Friday afternoon, December 7. The ladies enjoyed the games very much and after a number of interesting ones the hostess served delicious sandwiches and coffee.

Complimentary Party.

On Saturday afternoon the Miller home was a scene of gaiety, when Miss Hattie Miller and Miss Alice McGregor entertained complimentary to their guests, Misses Serindell and Roquemore of Coleman. Forty-two and Bridge were the games for the afternoon. The score cards were beautiful, being tiny American flags, hand-painted. After a number of enjoyable games a delicious salad course with coffee was served.

POPULAR YOUNG PEOPLE WED SURPRISE TO FRIENDS

The marriage of Mr. A. R. Crews and Miss Azelle V. Tulme on the eve of Mr. Crews' departure for the army, came as quite a surprise. The ceremony was performed by Rev. H. P. Bates, pastor of the First Presbyterian church at the Presbyterian manse, at four o'clock Saturday afternoon. Miss Augusta Joiner, an intimate friend of the bride, and Mr. Noel Penn, an intimate friend of the groom, accompanied Mr. Crews and Miss Tulme to the Presbyterian manse and witnessed the ceremony.

The news of the wedding soon

present Mrs. Crews will remain at her post of duty here, but will probably join Mr. Crews later, and may offer her services to the Red Cross, as she is thoroughly competent for doing Red Cross duty on the battle front.

Wherever they go and whatever may be their lot in life, the many friends in Ballinger will wish for Mr. and Mrs. Crews all the happiness possible.

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Miss Ala Schwindel of Coleman was visiting Mrs. Alex McGregor of this city Monday.

How to Prevent Croup.

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

Blanton Coming Here to Fight German Propaganda

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Paint Rock, Wednesday December 19th at 1:30 o'clock p. m.; and at Eden, Wednesday, December 19th at 4:00 p. m. I will appreciate it very much if the people of Ballinger will kindly furnish me with a place to speak, and will help me to let the people know about it generally.

With very kind regards, I remain,

Sincerely your friend,
Thomas L. Blanton.

Judge C. O. Harris of San Angelo was a business visitor to Ballinger Tuesday.

Miss J. W. West of Coleman, who had been visiting Mrs. R. P. West in Ballinger, returned home Monday.

T. J. Gardner and R. A. Nicholson went to Brownwood Tuesday.

BALLINGER PHYSICIAN ON DISTRICT MEDICAL BOARD

Dr. A. S. Love of this city has been appointed a member of the District Medical Advisory Board No. 4, which has its headquarters at San Angelo. The members of this board were selected from the various towns in this district by the governor of this state and received their appointments from the president.

The members of this board are all physicians, and their names are as follows:
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flashed over the city and telephone wires were kept busy carrying congratulations to the popular and happy young couple.

Mr. Crews visited the recruiting station Thursday, where he enlisted in the aviation corps. Returning home he spent Friday arranging to report at the army camp, and said nothing to his closest friends about the important event in his life which was about to take place. A few minutes before four o'clock, while out riding in the inside's car, the party drove to the manse, and the announcement of the wedding was indeed news to every one.

Miss Tulme came to this city quite a number of years ago to accept the position as head nurse in the Halley & Love sanitarium. She has had charge of the sanitarium for the past several years, handling the business of this well known and popular institution and her friendship and acquaintances extends over a large territory. She is possessed of that sweet disposition and noble traits of character that makes for man's help mate in true womanhood.

Mr. Crews was born in Ballinger and has spent practically all his life here. For several years he has had charge of the prescription work of the Walker Drug Co., now known as the Weeks Drug Store. The young man has made good at home, and has offered his services to his country, and goes into the army with best wishes of a host of friends, who will bespeak for him a successful sojourn.

Mr. Crews left for the training camp Sunday afternoon. For the

Miss Fannie Johnson is at home from an extended visit to Marlin and Houston. Mrs. Johnson went to Houston to visit her son Joe B., who is attending school at that place.

Sheriff Banister, of Coleman, was here Monday, conferring with the local exemption board on some draft matters.

Chairman: C. M. Alexander of Coleman; A. G. DeLong of San Angelo; Joe Diddy of Brownwood; G. L. Lewis of San Angelo; A. S. Love, Ballinger; S. C. Parsons of San Angelo.

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Red Cross to Send Food and "Bull" Durham to American Prisoners of War!

The Committee on Public Information has made the announcement that every American prisoner of war in Germany will be supplied three times each fortnight by the American Red Cross with the following "food kit," approved by the Surgeon General's Office. Note that this "food kit" includes "BULL" DURHAM Tobacco, the only article specified by brand name on the whole list.

CONTENTS OF RED CROSS FOOD KIT

Rice..... 8 oz.	Evaporated Milk..... 3 oz.	Nut Margarine..... 3 oz.
Sugar..... 12 "	Coffee..... 5 "	Dried Figs..... 3 "
Dried Beef..... 10 "	Salt and Pepper..... 2 "	Soap..... 3 "
Pork and Beans..... 32 "	Milk Chocolate..... 4 "	Cigarette Makings (2 packages)
Peanut Butter..... 8 "	Dehydrated Strawberries..... 2 "	BULL DURHAM with Papers
Crackers, Soda..... 44 "	Jam..... 8 "	

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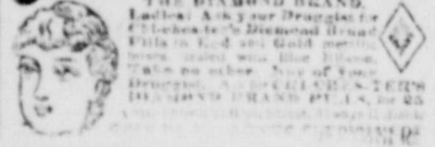


BLANTON ON SUFFRAGE COMMITTEE

Dispatches from Washington announce the appointment of Congressman Blanton, of this district, as a member of another important committee. Mr. Blanton becomes a member of the new house suffrage committee.

\$31.25 is taken at once. It is suitable for office or store—a chance to save money and get a good safe at half price. Call on or phone me, C. P. Shepherd, Res. Phone 161, office Phone 60. d&wtf-dh

CHICHESTER'S PILLS



Municipal Holidays Plans Underway

(Continued from First Page.) Smith, Lucile Powell, Hester Padgett.

Committee to decorate and light up the Christmas tree—Mr. Forest George, Mrs. Holmes, and Revs. King and Curry.

Chamberlain's Tablets.

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

We can print almost like engraving and have nice line Christmas cards to select from. It is too late to order engraved cards, but we can deliver nice printed cards on short notice. Ballinger Printing Co. dtf



Mr. and Mrs. Guion Gregg and Mr. Gregg's mother also Miss Callie Cordill returned from Ballinger yesterday where they had been on a short visit. While there Mr. Gregg visited the Brownwood oil fields and says there is great activity there as a result of the oil and gas boom. —Sweetwater Reporter.

ANNUAL OLDER BOYS MEET DECEMBER 28

The sixth Annual Older Boys' Conference of Texas will be held December 28th, 29th and 30th at Hillsboro. The Conference is held under the auspices of the State Executive committee of the Young Men's Christian Association. At last year's gathering five hundred delegates registered. The meeting was held at A. & M. College.

This year's conference is limited to five hundred older boys, over fifteen years of age, representing High Schools, Sunday Schools, Employed Boys' Clubs, Boy Scouts, and Y. M. C. A.'s. The general theme is "The Challenge of War." The slogan being "Produce, Sacrifice, Live." Speakers of international reputation will be in attendance. The following men will give addresses:

- Mr. H. C. Hart, National Boys' Work Secretary of India.
 - T. C. Jennings, Texas Director Boys' Working Reserve.
 - A. H. Tebben, State High School Secretary of Kansas.
 - T. D. Upton, Director Playground Activities, Grand Rapids, Michigan.
 - E. J. Sharp, Y. M. C. A. Secretary, Camp McArthur.
- Special music by a soldier's quartette from Camp McArthur, and recreation will be featured in the conference. The conference is in charge of Homer L. Hoisington, State Boys' Work Secretary, 611 Supter Building, Dallas, Texas.

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Capt. F. D. Shepherd, of the medical corps of the U. S. army arrived in Ballinger Tuesday for a short visit to his brothers, C. P. Shepherd and J. M. Skinner of this city.

RED CROSS WORK IN ARMY CAMP

That the American Red Cross is doing a great work in helping to win the war is evidenced by the following brief resume of the Red Cross activities among the seven army cantonments located in the Southwestern division. These activities have developed since a trip taken by the director through the camps from October 23d to November 1st.

Approximately 41,000 sweaters from Washington and from the St. Louis supply department have been distributed, almost equally among the different camps. Double this number could be used. 5,000 mufflers and 1,000 comfort kits have been sent from St. Louis to Camp Logan, Houston, Texas.

Three ariel squadrons of 225 men each at Camp Hicks, Fort Worth, and three ariel squadrons also of 225 men each, at Camp Kelly, San Antonio, Texas, have been completely equipped from the Red Cross St. Louis supply department with sweaters, helmets, mufflers, comfort kits and socks. These men are all under orders to sail for France. 568 articles, sweaters, socks, etc., were sent to the 128th Field Artillery, Camp Doniphan, Fort Sill, Okla., from St. Louis.

500 suits of pajamas have been distributed at Camp McArthur, Waco, Texas.

A number of special donations from individual chapters for particular regiments have been distributed by the Red Cross field directors. These consist of several thousand articles.

Several hundred individual requests from soldiers for warm clothing, principally for sweaters, have been investigated and when found bona fide, have been supplied.

At Camp Bowie, Fort Worth, a sudden drop in temperature a few weeks ago greatly increased the sickness, resulting in many cases of pneumonia. The Red Cross field director bought 100 comforts and collected from neighboring chapters about 1,000 more with which the hospital authorities were able to keep their patients warm. This field director has telegraphed for 1,000 more sweaters.

A similar drop in temperature has caused the field director at Camp McArthur, Waco, to telegraph for blankets. 100 pairs were expressed to him that night from the St. Louis warehouse and he was given authority to meet the

A NERVOUS WRECK

From Three Years' Suffering. Says Cardui Made Her Well.

Texas City, Tex.—In an interesting statement, Mrs. G. H. Schill, of this town, says: "For three years I suffered untold agony with my head. I was unable to do any of my work."

I just wanted to sleep all the time, for that was the only ease I could get, when I was asleep. I became a nervous wreck just from the awful suffering with my head.

I was so nervous that the least noise would make me jump out of my bed. I had no energy, and was unable to do anything. My son, a young boy, had to do all my household duties.

I was not able to do anything until I took Cardui. I took three bottles in all, and it surely cured me of those awful headaches. That has been three years ago, and I know the cure is permanent, for I have never had any headache since taking Cardui.

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WANTED—Sacks of all sizes. Phone 63. Ladwig and Taylor.

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FOR RENT—FOR RENT—or Sale—the Truly Hotel, Ballinger, E. Shepherd, agent.

STATEMENT of Condition

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RESOURCES:

Loans and Discounts	\$336,868.05
U. S. Bonds	25,500.00
Liberty Loan Bond	10,000.00
Banking House, F. and F.	25,000.00
Stock Federal Reserve Bank	3,900.00
Acceptances (Cotton)	87,602.92
Cash and Exchange	271,732.90
	\$761,603.87

LIABILITIES:

Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	69,016.33
Reserved for Taxes	1,500.00
Circulation	25,000.00
Deposits	566,087.54
	\$761,603.87

The above statement is correct. R. G. Erwin.

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