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PRICE FIVE CENTS

Allies' Grip on 400,000 Huns is Tightening Rapidly

CO-OPERATIVE SERVICES SUNDAY NIGHT.

There is not a more comfortable place in Ballinger from nine till ten o'clock of an evening than the place where these services are held.

It is the duty of every member of each of the co-operating churches to be present at these services. Members of other churches of the town and those who are members of no church are most cordially invited if duty does not call you elsewhere.

The subject for discussion next Sunday evening will be: "Has God Forsaken Ballinger?"

Come and bring a friend with you.

THE SECOND PRIMARY TICKET TO BE SHORT

The people of this county will have little interest in the second primary to be held the latter part of August. It is a foregone conclusion that practically all state candidates will be nominated by a majority vote tomorrow, and the executive committee ruled that no second primary would be held for county candidates.

In the governor's race there are only two candidates, and a majority will nominate.

There are half a dozen candidates in the race for lieutenant governor, and it is probable there will have to be a run-off in this.

There are four candidates for Justice Court Criminal Appeals and a second race is possible in this.

There are three candidates for attorney general, and three for railroad commissioner. A second primary may be necessary in these races, as will also be in the three cornered race for comptroller, but there is not much interest in these races.

There are three candidates for state superintendent, but it is hardly probable a second vote will be necessary in this race. It is expected that a majority will

nominate in the first vote.

In the congressional race there are four candidates, but it is generally conceded that Congressman Blanton will go back with a handsome majority over all his opponents.

The county candidates for all offices except district clerk, county superintendent, tax assessor and commissioner precinct No. 1 have no opposition. There is considerable interest in the offices named, but it will not require a majority to elect in the tax assessor race, the only one in which there are more than two candidates.

UNCLE SAM IS MAKING MARK AS WAR SPENDER.

(By United Press.)

Washington, July 26.—America is throwing behind her associates in the war the unlimited power of her financial resources as well as her manpower.

Starting with the first belligerent month, April, 1917, when \$289,893,000 was spent, the nation's war bill has mounted swiftly month by month. July expenditures are estimated to exceed \$1,670,000,000, which brings the war's cost to date \$15,633,766,758.

JULY 26 IN THE WAR.

July 26, 1917: Russians, demoralized, flee across Sereth river in Galicia, as Austro-Germans advance. Roumanians capture 1,000 prisoners.

July 26, 1916: Allies complete capture of Pozieres. Russians take 4,000 prisoners.

July 26, 1915: Germans attack in strength 12 miles from Warsaw. Italians gain on Sarso plateau.

July 26, 1914: First shots of the war are exchanged between Austrian and Serbian patrols near Belgrade. Czar Nicholas pleads with Austria to listen to reason, Great Britain and France joining in the petition, as Serbia has granted Austria's demands. Austria says Serbia's acquiescence came too late.

Mr. and Mrs. Rotenbach, of Crawford, who had been visiting relatives in our county, left for their home Wednesday afternoon.

GLAD HE VOLUNTEERED FOR HIS COUNTRY.

Mrs. A. E. Hill is in receipt of a letter from her son, Dewey R. Hill. The letter was written in France and stated that the young man landed safe, after an uneventful voyage overseas.

Dewey was among the first to volunteer for service, and he says that he is glad he answered his country's call. He says that there are no slackers in France and that the boys never look back, but are determined and eager to whip the Germans.

Dewey was reported to be a survivor of the American ship Tyler, which was lost some time ago, the newspapers stated that he was among the survivors, but his letter made no mention of the sinking of the ship, and stated that he landed safe after a pleasant trip, and Mrs. Hill feels sure that there was a mistake about her son being on that vessel.

ROAD BONDS SOLD; WORK UNDERWAY

The \$75,000 road bond issue recently voted in this precinct were sold Thursday. A civil engineer is on the job drawing plans and specifications for the Colorado bridge and other work to be put over with this bond money and \$40,000 state aid.

Notwithstanding the report that the bonds would be sacrificed and sold at a big discount, the bonds bought par with accrued interest. Not a bad sale and speaks well for our commissioners court.

The first work, as was announced during the bond issue campaign, will be on the Colorado river bridge and the Ballinger-Rowena road. There is no road in the precinct that needs work worse than this road. The South Ballinger lane and the road through the sand belt leading toward Rowena is in bad shape and has been for many months. At present much travel is going in circuitous route, traveling the Spring Hill road and through the country northwest of Rowena. It is the purpose of Commissioner Kirk to make the line to the Miles precinct straight and the road good. In this he has the support of the majority of the people.

ONLY TWO POUNDS SUGAR PER CAPITA

Washington, July 25.—The American public was asked by the food administration today to go on a sugar ration of two pounds per capita monthly beginning August 1, to meet a world shortage in this commodity, and to care for the immediate demands of the allies and American military forces. The American public at present is on a three pound per capita ration monthly, under a request issued by the food administration a month ago.

Household rationing will be voluntary at present but public eating places will be required to observe new regulations effective August 1, permitting the use of two pounds of sugar for every ninety meals served, instead of three pounds of sugar under existing regulations.

W. A. Schuhmann, of Rowena, Arch Brookshire, of the Benoit country, and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gray, of the crews country, were among the visitors in Ballinger Friday.

IF I SHOULD DIE TONIGHT.

If I should die tonight,
And Jim should come to my corpse
and say,
Weeping and heartsick o'er my
lifeless clay—

If I should die tonight,
And Jim should come and loudly
weep and moan,
And say, "Here's the facts, sir,
'bout that big loan."

I might rise in my large white
cravat,
And say, "Whats that?"

If I should die tonight,
And Jim came up to my cold
corpse and knelt,
Clasping my bier to show the grief
he felt—

I say, if I should die tonight,
And Jim should come to me and
wish to own,
Or even hint the source of that big
loan,

I might arise the while in pain,
But I'd drop dead again!

COUNTY ATTORNEY MAKES STATEMENT

Hon. C. P. Shepherd,
Ballinger, Texas.

Dear Sir and Friend:
I understand that several of your friends are after you to accept the nomination for the office of County Attorney for this county. As I am not a candidate for the nomination I desire to state to you that you can inform your friends that it is not my desire to receive the nomination and that I will support you in tomorrow's primary.

Yours sincerely,
SAMUEL C. HARRIS.

The above was received by me from friend Harris unsolicited and in view of the fact there prevails some uncertainty about the matter of the office of County Attorney I will state that many of my friends have asked me to accept the nomination. I have told them that if it was tendered to me I would qualify for same at the proper time, though not a candidate for the office nor have I solicited one single vote for same, but if my friends tender me the same I would be ungrateful to refuse.

C. P. SHEPHERD.

Sunday Morning Ledger to Give Election Returns

The Ledger is pleased to announce that arrangements have been made with the Texas Election Bureau for furnishing complete election returns from the state election to be held tomorrow. The contract calls for returns from all important contested offices on the state ticket, the same service to be furnished The Ledger that is furnished to the big papers in the state.

In addition to the state returns The Ledger's big bulletin board will be up and tell who is who in the county candidate race. The returns from the state election will be received at The Ledger office and read from the stand in front of the bulletin board. The public is invited to come and hear and see.

The Saturday's Daily Ledger will be held and issued after the returns are in Saturday night.

With French, July 26.—4 P. M.

The allies are today successfully conducting their offensive operations along the whole original "German drive" front, extending from Soissons to Main De Massiges. In addition to closing in on Fere En Tardenois, the allies are steadily gaining ground in Champagne and have recovered most of the outpost positions in the list gained by the initial German drive.

At this hour an unconfirmed report says that the allies have Main De Massiges, and are drawing their pincers closer together around the German forces in the Soissons-Rheims pocket.

Paris, July 26.—The Franco-American forces have completely turned the Fere forest and are within six kilometers of Fere-En Tardenois.

On both sides of the road from Mezy northward to Fere-En Tardenois, the Americans have repulsed numerous counter attacks made by the Germans and pressing northward have captured Franquet Farm, pushing the Germans back into the trap.

Paris, July 26.—The capture of Oulchy-Le Chateau, the principal center resistance point of the Germans on the west side of the salient, is officially announced by the French war office. The Germans have been making their strongest stand at this point for several days, but were forced to evacuate under bombardment from the Franco-American armies.

It is also officially announced that Villemontiere, midway between Soissons and Oulchy, has been captured. Hundreds of additional prisoners are reported to have been taken with the capture of this place.

Capt. Beck, who had been visiting his nephew, J. J. Beck, left for Brownwood Thursday afternoon and was accompanied by little Master Joe Beck, Jr., who will visit his grand parents in that city a week or two.

Hobart Nicholson left Thursday afternoon for San Benito to join his father, R. A. Nicholson who is buying cotton in that section and looking after his gins during the cotton season.

Mrs. R. F. Bassett, of Waco, who had been visiting her sister, Mrs. W. R. Davis and family the past few weeks, passed through Ballinger Thursday en route home.

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The boxes yet to report can not change the result in the other county candidates.

GERL. The "Astride attacks

repulsed. In Vosges the enemy states. unsuccessful in reconnoitering operations near Sundagau."

claim that these were largely returns from the city precincts, where the voters were expected to

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W. Sledge Editor

All over but the shouting.

Spending \$115,000.00 on public
roads will help some.

If you can't get work here, the
next best thing is to go hunt it.

Many people are now experi-
encing the sore spot in their sum-
mer vacation. They must go back
to work.

We are living in a day when the
American people will not take the
word of a suspicious character for
his loyalty, Ferguson not excepted.

Ferguson forces say their candi-
date will be the nominee when
the women votes are eliminated
by the court. Their hopes are in
vain, but conceding women votes
to be illegal. Hobby would have
a handsome majority of the men
votes.

It seems easy to stand off and
tell the other fellow how to do the
job. Many people in America
have been criticizing Pershing and
Foch because they did not jump
in and bag the whole German
army on short notice. Such
criticism is nothing less than Ger-
man propaganda. These generals
are doing the thing right and de-
serve credit for the stroke which
is about to trap nearly half a mil-
lion Huns.

U. S. AGENT HERE FRIDAY.

J. S. Whitworth, U. S. Govern-
ment agent who is organizing county
labor boards, was in the city
Friday to meet with Judge Jno. I.
Guion, to arrange the organiza-
tion for this county. He left in
the afternoon for Abilene to con-
tinue his duties along the same
line.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Daily Ledger is author-
ized to announce the following can-
didates 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.
M. C. Boyd.
Jack N. McKay.
J. R. Holloway.
FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY:
S. C. Harris.
FOR TAX COLLECTOR:
M. D. Chastain.
FOR COUNTY SUPT.:
John J. Bugg.
S. L. Bird.
FOR COUNTY CLERK:
W. C. McCarver.
FOR REPRESENTATIVE 111
DIST:
C. R. Stephens.
FOR DISTRICT CLERK:
C. C. Cockrell.
MRS. L. H. BACON.
FOR COM. PRECINCT NO. 1:
J. R. Harris.
R. P. Kirk.

WOMEN OF MIDDLE AGE

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—Mrs. FRANK HENSON, 1316 S. Orchard St., Urbana, Ill.

Women who suffer from nervousness, “heat flashes,” backache, headaches and “the blues” should try this famous root and herb remedy, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

A WORD FROM J. R. HOLLOWAY.

Owing to the limited time in which I have had to see the good people of Runnels County, I desire to thank those of my friends whom I have failed to see personally and especially do I thank those who have spoken a good word in my behalf.

If elected to the office of Tax Assessor I shall do everything within the bounds of reason to serve you and the county diligently, satisfactorily and efficiently.

Yours for honesty and integrity,
I am your most humble servant,
(to be.)

J. R. HOLLOWAY.
Ballinger, Texas.
July 26, 1918.

RETURNED HOME.

Prof. J. W. Skimmer returned home Thursday night from Brownwood where he had been one of the instructors in the State Normal the past six or eight weeks, and reports a large attendance and a very successful normal.

W. L. Compton, of the Winters country, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Prusser and children, of the Hatcher country, and Mr. and Mrs. F. Blumtritt, of the Miles country, were among the visitors in Ballinger Thursday.

Chamberlain's Tablets.
These tablets are intended especially for stomach troubles, biliousness and constipation. If you have any troubles of this sort, give them a trial and realize for yourself what a first class medicine will do for you. They cost only a quarter.

HOW UNCLE SAM BUILDS SHIPS

Washington, July 26.—Germany took 40 years to build up her war machine. The United States shipping board has taken less than 10 months to bridge the Atlantic ocean with ships.

Exigencies of the war have forced this government to accomplish things that never before believed possible. And no task faced was greater, perhaps, than the building of the ships. Today, America's merchant marine is the greatest in the world; its growth has been amazing even to the ship-building officials themselves.

The shipping board, since its creation, last September, has placed 1,714,172 deadweight tons of vessels in service. Two hundred and sixty-one seagoing ships, of seagoing capacity, have been commissioned. This does not include the scores of ships already built and owned by American citizens.

Besides the 261 bottoms completed, nearly 200 other hulls are afloat in various stages of completion. These will aggregate approximately 1,800,000 tons.

One hundred and fifty-eight shipyards are engaged in producing ships with which to transport men and materials to the front. Keels have been laid or will be laid on more than 700 ways, and 250,000 men are doing their bit in the shipyards of the United States.

Here is the rate at which the ships have been completed and placed in service by the shipping board and emergency fleet corporation:

Year	No of Ships	Dead Weight Tonnage
1917	7	47,169
September ..	12	79,183
October	12	74,029
November	12	104,116
December	12	
1918		
January	11	88,507
February	16	123,325
March	21	172,611
April	30	159,599
May	43	253,166
June	40	245,020
July	52	360,000
Total	321	1,714,172

L. E. Wilkerson, of the Crews country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Friday.

Consider the Future
It has always been the part of better wisdom to save, but TODAY, SAVING serves a double purpose. Our government needs MONEY to carry on the abnormal demand of a destructive war and it is inviting you to do your part by offering investments never heretofore obtainable for small sums. The interest rate is as good as the best class of securities used to bring. Our facilities for providing Thrift & War Savings Stamps are at your disposal.
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STOMACH TROUBLE
Mr. Marion Holcomb, of Nancy, Ky., says: “For quite a long while I suffered with stomach trouble. I would have pains and a heavy feeling after my meals, a most disagreeable taste in my mouth. If I ate anything with butter, oil or grease, I would spit it up. I began to have regular sick headache. I had used pills and tablets, but after a course of these, I would be constipated. It just seemed to tear my stomach all up. I found they were no good at all for my trouble. I heard
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recommended very highly, so began to use it. It cured me. I keep it in the house all the time. It is the best liver medicine made. I do not have sick headache or stomach trouble any more.” Black-Draught acts on the jaded liver and helps it to do its important work of throwing out waste materials and poisons from the system. This medicine should be in every household for use in time of need. Get a package today. If you feel sluggish, take a dose tonight. You will feel fresh tomorrow. Price 25c a package. All druggists.
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TWO FERGUSON CANDIDATES.

Don't forget that the Ferguson candidates for the supreme court and lieutenant governor are J. D. Harvey and John R. Moore, respectively. Vote for Justice Thos. B. Greenwood for associate justice of the supreme court and against J. D. Harvey. Vote for any one of the five other candidates for lieutenant governor, and against John R. Moore. Both of these men are being supported by the Ferguson organization. Mr. Moore is out making speeches for Mr. Ferguson.

The candidates for lieutenant governor are Senator W. A. Johnson, Senator John M. Henderson, former Senator S. B. Cowell, former Senator L. H. Bailey and W. T. Davidson. In all probability because of the solid Ferguson support Moore will go into the second primary with one of these men. It will then be in order for the friends of good government to support Moore's opponent.

Both of these matters are important and should not be forgotten. Mr. Ferguson is attempting to elect these two men and that alone should be sufficient to defeat them.

Charlie Grant, of Winters, was greeting friends and looking after business affairs in Ballinger Thursday.

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

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE.
FRANK J. CHENEY.

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

(Seal) A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public.

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Judge C. O. Harris, of San Angelo, was looking after legal business and greeting friends in Ballinger a few hours Friday.

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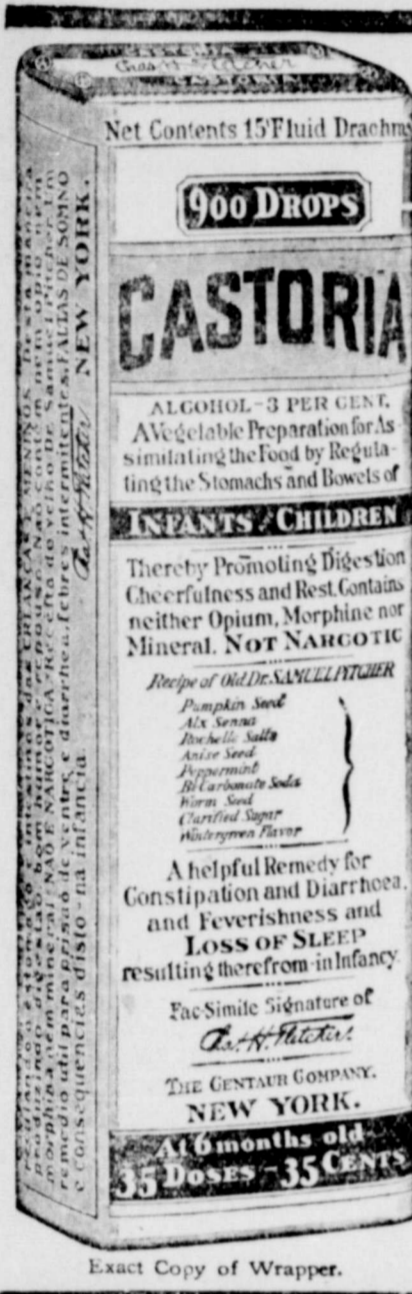
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GOOD SHOWING FOR OIL IN COKE COUNTY

San Angelo, July 26.—What is said by oil men to be the best showing of oil yet obtained in the Angelo country has been struck in the well of the Tucker Oil Company of Dallas on Harris Brothers' ranch in Coke county. The vein was opened at a depth of 300 feet but a great volume of water in the hole has prevented the drillers from ascertaining definitely the extent of their “find.” The water is now being pumped out.

Drilling at the well has been in progress only about four weeks, J. W. Long of Dallas being in charge. The well site is twenty-five miles due north of San Angelo, five miles south of Robert Lee and within one mile of Harris Brothers' ranch headquarters. Seven thousand acres of the Harris pasture, all lying south of the Colorado river have been leased by the Tucker company. A rotary drill, capable of going down 4,000 feet, is being used.

Three or four years ago oil was struck on the Harris ranch at a depth of 163 feet. A well was being sunk for water and before a thorough test could be made the walls caved in and filled up the hole.

Only a few weeks ago, a strong showing of oil was struck by L. A. Stemmons in the well of the Robert Lee Oil and Gas Company. Preparations for further development have been under way the greater part of the present month and drilling has just now been resumed.

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WHAT OUR BOYS ARE DOING FOR US

With the American Army on the Aisne-Marne Front, July 25.—With the sides of the Soissons Rheims sack coming steadily closer together, the German crown prince's generals are driving their men mercilessly in an effort to hold them off long enough to extricate the armies threatened at bottom, north of the Marne.

The American and French troops are never far behind the retreating forces and the vicious rear guard actions are not sufficiently resistant to enable the Germans to proceed in the orderly manner planned. At Dormans, north of the Marne and east of Chateau Thierry, the Germans counter attacked, taking the position, but were promptly driven out. They occupied Treloup, west of Dormans and have held it.

Nearer Soissons, the Germans failed to hold all their positions, notwithstanding reinforcements and their desperate need.

It is estimated, unofficially tonight, that the enemy losses are more than 200,000 of which 50,000 were inflicted by the Americans. The prisoners alone numbering over 20,000, and the losses in dead and wounded are appalling.

Arno Schawe, who had been traveling in Oklahoma in the interest of his company, came home Thursday to spend a few days with home folks and friends and to cast his vote in the primary election.

Mrs. Dahny, of San Angelo, who had been visiting her sister, Mrs. Ralph Willingham and family, returned home Thursday at noon. Mrs. Willingham and children and Miss Tindale accompanied her home to visit on the ranch near that city a week or two.

Mrs. Joe Spence, of San Angelo who had been visiting relatives and Ballinger friends the past few days returned home Friday at noon.

NOTICE.

The three banks in Ballinger, First National, F. & M. and Ballinger State, will close Saturday on account of the primary election.

Tom Corder and family, of the Valley Creek country, passed thru Ballinger Thursday en route to East Texas where they will make home for the present.

Mrs. H. Q. Tindle, of the Valley Creek country, came in Friday at noon to accompany Miss Lila Bullock who was returning to her home at San Angelo after a short visit in our county.

Mr. and Mrs. Doc. Fletcher, Miss Addie Fletcher, of Bronte, and Miss Clara Sheppard, of Brownwood were here Friday to visit the latter's brother, W. C. Sheppard a few hours.

W. C. Matthews, of the Winters country, came in Thursday to meet his wife who had been visiting her father, John Wood and family near Sterling City, and was en route home.

John Hoffer, now of Corpus Christi, a former valued citizen of our city, came in Thursday in his auto and will spend a day or two with Ballinger friends while en route to points east on his summer vacation.

State Ranger J. P. Flynt returned home Thursday from Fort Worth where he had been to take two deserters he had arrested in this section.

George, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Cates, who has been ill with fever for the past six weeks, we are glad to report, is able to be up.

RETURNED FROM AUSTIN.

Misses Hattie and Juliett Miller and Miss Melva Walker returned home Thursday night from Austin where they had been attending the summer school at the State University the past several weeks.

W. H. Rodgers, of Winters, Harvey Grimes, Claud Roberson, J. L. Lee, J. B. Carleton, of the Maverick country, R. P. Taylor and E. H. Harding of Norton, Will Curry, of Concho, and W. P. Vaughn of Crews were among the business visitors in Ballinger Thursday.

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The boxes yet to report can not change the result in the other county candidates.

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MRS. BARN'S LETTER.

Here is a letter that is certain to prove of interest to people in this vicinity, as cases of this sort occur almost every neighborhood, and people should know what to do in like circumstances.

Savannah, Mo., Oct. 12, 1916. "I used a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy about nine years ago and it cured me of flux (dysentery) I had another attack of the same complaint some three or four years ago and a few doses of this remedy cured me. I have recommended Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy to dozens of people since I first used it."

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AMERICAN FORCES TO WHIP GERMANY

By CARL D. GROAT

United Press Staff Correspondent.

Washington, July 26.—The great war, closing its fourth bloody year, find America rushing across the seas with her millions of men billions of dollars and her ever increasing flotillas of war vessels—to thrash the kaiser.

The advent of a new year in the war sees America's military forces rapidly approaching the size of England's, and destined soon to equal those of France.

With an army strength of nearly 3,000,000 men today; a navy of nearly half a million, and with hundreds of ships, tons upon tons of munitions and a vast food reserve for the allies, this nation's effort has amazed the allied world and startled German war lords.

When she entered the war, America had only 213,000 officers and men, including the national guard units trained on the Texas border. We now have over half that many officers alone. Latest official figures show the army strength to be: officers 150,000; men, 2,010,000. Nearly 1,000,000 men are in training at home or have just qualified for overseas duty.

The jump in the size of the navy is equally startling, both in enlistments and in new ship strength. When we declared war 16 months ago, the navy's man power was 83,000. It is now well over 475,000 and will reach the half million mark at any time soon. The United States fleet has been enlarged by over 1,275 ships since April 1917. Nearly 800 smaller craft are under construction. This is exclusive of dreadnaughts, battle cruisers and other major fighting vessels.

The new naval appropriations just granted by congress will swell these figures tremendously, though details cannot be given, for military reasons. They will make possible one of the largest fleets afloat, it is indicated.

All Classes of Ships.

European waters are dotted with American craft, ranging from the monster dreadnaughts down to the tiniest submarine chasers.

New dreadnaughts are under construction which will be the largest battleships afloat. The largest naval guns ever mounted on ships will equip these super fighters.

Navy recruiting is speeding to man these new ships. Under stimulus from recent submarine raids off the Atlantic coast recruiting for the navy is averaging 2,000 daily, and has reached as high as 4,000 a day.

American warships are in practically all European waters—from the Russian coast in Southern Europe. They recently arrived at Venice to assist land operations of the Italians. The largest naval force consistent with safety of our own shores and maintenance of communications across the Atlantic is now on active duty on the European side. The first destroyers sailed for Europe three weeks after we declared war, and they have speeded across in increasing numbers as the war went on.

The Army Over There.

Army operations in France have swept ahead of all calculations. We are months ahead of our program and the climax has yet to be reached.

The magnitude of the task appears greater when it is remembered that the American army had to build its own railways construct its own docks and loading facilities build its own warehouses on French soil, and, in effect, establish a new battlefield. American officers give the French and English full credit for the material assistance rendered and the valu-

able expert advice offered, but the job remaining for America's expeditionary army was a staggering one.

Nine regiments of railway engineers have been at work in France since last August—an army of nearly 50,000 men wielding the pick and shovel.

Carpenters hammered on large warehouses to keep American supplies from the weather. Road builders paved paths for the fleets of motor trucks which have been among the most valuable adjuncts to the expeditionary army.

Workers at Home.

Supporting this vast undertaking abroad are millions of skilled workmen at home turning out munitions, clothing, equipment and everything needed by the fighting soldier. Rifles sufficient to equip an entire division are being turned out in three days. Uniforms, shells, bombs, airplanes, shoes, are pouring to the seaboard to be moved across to France.

America is letting nothing interfere with the winning of the war. She is accepting the advice of the most experienced European leaders. The allies are giving America all credit for what she is doing, but President Wilson, although hailed as the world's leader in statesmanship, is profiting by every failure of the allies, and Yankee genius is taking the view that it has many things to learn. It is coaksure on only one point—that the war must be won.

State Treasurer J. M. Edwards came in from Austin Thursday night to look after business interests a few days and to be at home to vote in the primary election.

Mrs. J. G. Douglas and son Master Sidney, returned home Thursday night from an extended visit to relatives and friends at Cleburne and other points in that section.

Mrs. D. N. Cox and children, of South Ballinger, returned home Friday at noon from a visit to her parents at Talpa the past few weeks.

J. A. Nichols, of the Pony Creek country, was in the city Friday and closed the deal with Prof. E. L. Hagen for his Maxwell auto and returned home in the same in the afternoon.

WEST TEXAS CATTLE MOVEMENT IS HEAVY

San Angelo, July 26.—Livestock shipments made in West Texas this week were reported in San Angelo Thursday by Fayette Mayers, inspector for the Texas Cattle Raisers' Association and successor to the late J. F. Treadwell.

Twelve cars of steers and heifer yearlings, belonging to the Marion Sansom Cattle Company of Fort Worth, were shipped on Monday from Paint Rock to Rankin. The animals, numbering almost 600 head, were pastured in Concho county during the winter and spring. They have been placed on the Upton county ranch of Henry Half of Midland.

S. A. Hartgrove of Paint Rock shipped 2,000 sheep and two cars of cattle from Paint Rock to Rankin for pasturage on the Bob Ringo place. Seven double-decked cars were required to move the sheep.

Douglas & Butts were the shippers Tuesday of two cars of mixed cattle from San Angelo to the Fort Worth market. They went over the Santa Fe.

George Cauble marketed six loads of calves and yearlings, 440 head in all, at Fort Worth on Tuesday and Wednesday. He shipped two carloads of calves—140 head in number—to Big Springs Wednesday night. The animals will be slaughtered there by Mr. Cauble for the consumption of Texas and Pacific railroad forces.

On Sunday, Mr. Cauble will ship 235 calves to Fort Worth and on Saturday, August 5, will follow this up by marketing 300 head. Two hundred cattle will be sent to Big Springs at the same time. All the stuff above mentioned was purchased by Mr. Cauble from Pat and Wren Jackson, Harry Jackson, Jess Koy and Ward & Dabney. The prices were not made public.

John S. Allison of Sonora will on Friday ship twenty-five cars of cattle from Mertzon to Fort Stockton.

Miss Dora Oden, of Goldthwaite who had been visiting her sister, Mrs. Walter Parker and family, returned home Friday morning.

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