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Says Americans Gladly Give Lives To Defeat Germanism

Lieut. Roy F. Sharp, who arrived home last week from France, is enjoying a thirty day furlough. He will report to the hospital at Atlanta, Ga., on January 5th. Since arriving in Ballinger he has been a busy man, first relating to his mother, Mrs. Mary B. Sharp and her family, the wonderful experiences through which he has passed during the last year, and then when he ventured down town Wednesday morning he found friends eager to talk to him, and learn at first hand what he had experienced on the firing line in France. Lieut. Sharp was blocked by a crowd on every turn, and questions were shot at him almost as fast as the bullets which probably made him a cripple for life fell on the battle field, and he had to talk his way out when surrounded by a crowd of friends.

It is needless to say some of the question were amusing to the lieut and laughingly he answered them, such as "how does a fellow feel when the bullets are coming towards him?" and "do you fight in the same kind of clothes you have on now?" and dozens of other questions.

"When I saw men with their eyes shot out, their arms and legs shot off, and their face burned to a crisp by liquid fire" I am tickled to death that it is no worse with me," said Lieut. Sharp to a bunch of friends gathered around him Thursday morning, as he told of how his men went over the top and of how his captain and every other officer in his company were either killed or wounded.

"In going over to France" said Lieut. Sharp, "our men only had one thought in mind, and that was to rid that land of the boche which was destroying it. We left Long Island City on November 6th, last year, sailing on the Adria, and there were ten ships in all in our convoy, and I think there were about 1200 men on our ship, and perhaps an equal number on the other vessels.

The officers, and that included myself, had to stand submarine guard eight hours per day ever ot-

her day. We encountered no subs going over, but had a stormy voyage, being in a storm nearly all the way. The Andia was destroyed by a submarine on the second return trip to France. We had two cargoes of Chinese laborers in our party going over.

"We landed at Liverpool on Nov. 19th and went through to Winchester and after about a week in England, sailed from South Hampton. It took us two nights to cross the Channel on account of storms. We turned back on the first night out on account of the storm.

"We landed at Le Havre, France and in short order entrained for a camp near the front, and pulled out the same day for a point south of Verdun where we went in to a village and quartered in barracks.

"The first thing we heard when we landed in the camp was the big guns on the Verdun front, and believe me, we thought we were going right into battle. Our first quarters were the barracks at Gibreux. We were to go in to train here but the boche located us and began to shell us and we hiked one hundred miles through the snow. This was last December. The barracks we left were later blown up by German airplanes bombing the place with explosives.

"During last December and January we were in training, working in the snow and many of our men suffered on account of the attack as we were cut up so bad they were cold which they were not used to. We went to the front on Rainbow division. It was about Feb. 7th, our division, the 42nd or noon on the 15th day of July when which is known as the Rainbow the Germans broke through and Division, occupying and holding got back to our intermediate positions which was held by practically all of the Rainbow Division.

"We went in to relieve a division of seasoned French troops so here is where we slaughtered them. They could go further north and them. I don't see how any body stop a drive which the boches was got out of that fight alive. Their making towards Paris. The first officers who told them that the night we were on the front allies had been killed or wounded and that they would meet with no resistance and they rushed right in to our machine guns and hand grenades. Boches were killed and piled up so high we used them for breast works, and the enemy had to leave their own trenches on account of the dead being piled up so in their trenches and around them.

"A French officer who had been instructing our men reproved our men for their "fool heartedness," telling them they should never attack a body of men larger than their own.

"Later three men of our patrol went out to get a sniper who had been worrying our patrols. The sniper had gone, but the men went on to a German line and killed an officer and six men and returned. On their return one of our men stopped to hold the Germans back while the others escaped to come and get help. Seventeen men re-

turned to rescue their comrades, who had made his escape through the woods and reached our trenches. The seventeen men went on and attacked a bunch of Germans in the dugout and secured information which proved of great value to the Americans, and which made heroes out of the seventeen men. Harry Couch, a member of my platoon was one of the seventeen men performing this heroic work.

"I received my first injury in the Champagne sector, receiving a slight wound on the right arm and also getting a pretty good dose of gas. The wounds were not sufficient to put me out of action. In this fighting we stopped the enemy as they were trying to advance towards Paris. That gas is bad; burns just like carbolic acid besides making you very sick.

"We did our worst fighting from July 15 to July 18—three days. We killed more Germans than were ever killed before or will be killed again. We were with the Blue Devils, the French fighters, when on the night of July 14th, the French took some prisoners and learned through them that the boche was going to attack us at 12 o'clock that night. It was ten o'clock when the prisoners were captured, and at 11 o'clock we got orders to man the trenches and at 12 o'clock the enemy made their attack.

"We threw out a barrage, and after a four hour barrage by the Germans they began their bombardment at four o'clock. The division had to throw in their reserves and this which had been ordered to before the battle ended they had captured, and at 11 o'clock we got orders to man the trenches and at 12 o'clock the enemy made their attack.

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SAYS AMERICANS GLADLY GIVE LIVES

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things worked out like they did."

"I never saw a single Runnels county man while in France," said the young army officer, "but I was too busy to get home sick." On July 15th 63 boche planes flew over our trenches and shelled us with machine guns and hand grenades. That's when you get mad and feel your helplessness. You want to get to them, but can't. The first day we got off the train near Verdun and were preparing to go to the front, they bombarded our kitchen."

Lieut. Sharp picked up considerable French "lingo" while mixing with the pretty damsels, and he says Paris is a nice little city.

When asked what he thought about the Red Cross, he stated, "that is the greatest organization in the world. One must see what they are doing with the Red Cross before they can fully appreciate their work." The Red Cross is responsible for keeping up the moral for the French army. When a soldier gets a letter from his wife, and she writes that things are not going well at home, sickness or poverty is stalking at the door, the fact is found out by all French mail being censored and the news goes back home and a Red Cross messenger is sent to

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him again, but was greatly surprised when the comrade walked up on him at Atlanta, having recovered sufficient to come home. Lieut. Sharp did not see Lieut. Taylor while in France, but was within fifteen miles of him and at present Lieut. Taylor is located at the same post office where Lieut. Sharp was for several weeks.

Mrs. Isley's Letter

In a recent letter Mrs. D. W. Isley of Litchfield, Ill., says: "I have used Chamberlain's Tablets for disorders of the stomach and as a laxative and have found them a quick and sure relief." If you are troubled with indigestion or constipation these tablets will do you good.

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TO THE PATRIOTIC CITIZENS OF RUNNELS COUNTY

We wish to express our sincerest thanks to all those who have aided and assisted us as Members of the Local Board of Runnels county, during the period since we entered upon our duties as part of the Great Machinery of the greatest world war.

We feel very proud of our selection of the young men for this great cause, who will be the Standard Bearers of the future.

We feel honored that there was no change in the personnel of our board during its existence, with the exception of our former Examiner Member, Dr. F. M. Hale, who resigned to accept service in the Medical Corps of the Army.

We feel under lasting obligation to the patriotic people of Runnels county for their assistance and encouragement at all times, our only hindrance came from some five or six pro-Germans and two or three of our own citizens.

Our orders are to seal our records and place them at the disposal of Provost Marshal General Crowder.

R. P. Kirk, Chairman.
W. E. Barbee, Secretary.
E. R. Walker, Examiner.
Ballinger, Texas.
December 11th, 1918. 1d&w

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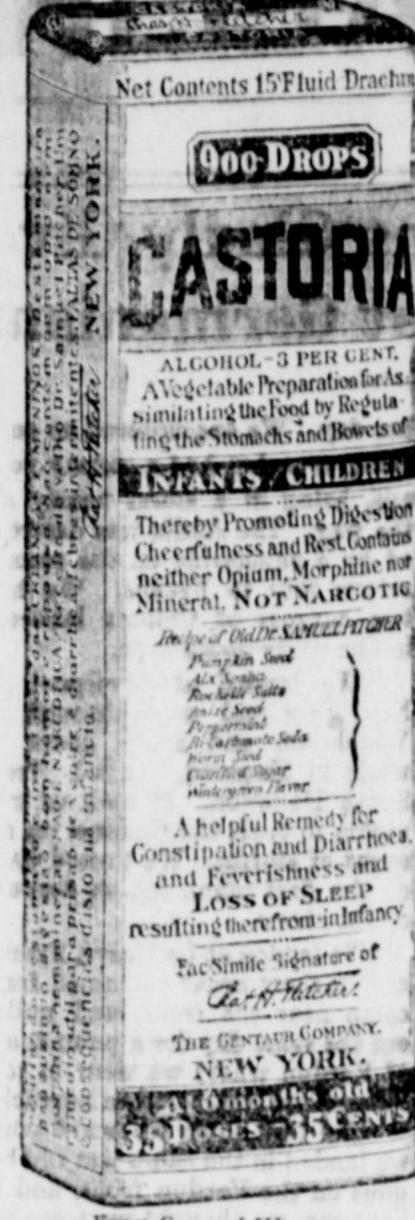
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SHERIFF'S SALE

The State of Texas,
County of Runnels.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain order of sale issued out of the Honorable District court of Travis County, on the 29th day of November 1918, by the Disbarred Clerk of said Travis County, Texas for the sum of \$6,656.67 and cost of suit, under a judgment in favor of R. L. Slaughter et al administrator vs. J. W. Riddle et ux. placed in my hands for service, I, J. D. Perkins as sheriff of Runnels County, Texas, did on the 4th day of December 1918, levy on certain real estate, situated in Runnels County, Texas, described as follows, to wit: 550.45 acres of land more or less in Runnels County, Texas, being part of the T. & N. O. Ry Co., survey No. 77, Certificate No. 1094 Abstract No. 473 more particularly described as follows: to wit: First Tract. In the N. 1/2 of said T. & N. O. Ry. Co. survey No. 77 containing three hundred twenty (320) acres of land, more or less.

Second Tract: Part of the said T. & N. O. Ry. Co. survey No. 77, described by the following metes and bounds: beginning at the Southeast corner of the 100 acre tract sold to A. S. Pearson, a stone mound on south boundary line of survey No. 77, T. & N. O. Ry. Co., thence east 1336 vrs. to old stone mound, the original southeast corner of said survey No. 77, same being the Northeast corner of survey No. 78 and northwest corner of survey No. 89, in name of same company; thence North 990 vrs. to Southeast corner of the North 1/2 of said survey in name of D. E. Graves, thence West 965 vrs. to stone mound another corner of the D. E. Graves tract; thence South 40 vrs. to stone mound another corner of said D. E. Graves tract; thence West 371 vrs. to stone mound, same being the N. E. corner of the A. S. Pearson 100 acre tract; thence South 950 vrs. to the place of beginning containing 320.45-100 acres of land, more or less, and levied upon as the property of J. W. Riddle et ux., and that on the first Tuesday in January 1918, the same being the 7th day of said



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month, at the Court House door, of Runnels County, in the town of Ballinger, Texas between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m. by virtue of said levy and said order of sale I will sell above described real estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said J. W. Riddle, et ux. And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Daily Ledger, a newspaper published in Ballinger, Runnels County.

Witness my hand, this 5th day of December 1918.

J. D. Perkins,
Sheriff Runnels County,
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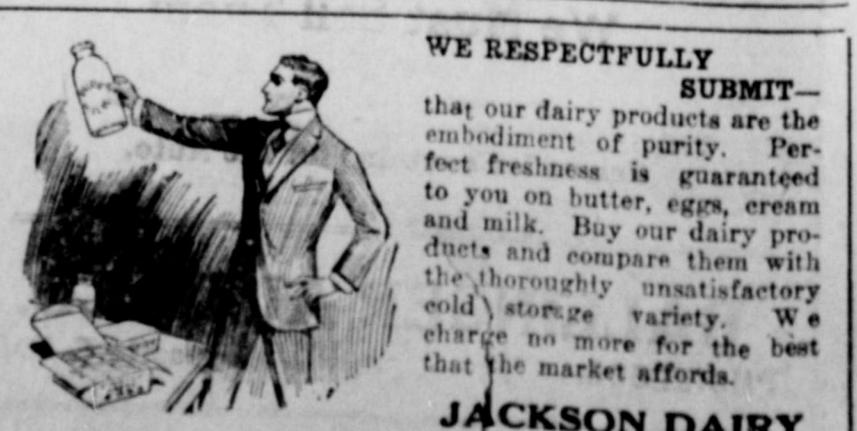
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FRENCH GIRLS CAN'T GET YANKS

Beaumont, Texas Dec. 10—The red tape connected with marriage in France is the medium that is preventing to a great extent marriages between American soldiers and French maidens according to Loris B. Brent, who has just returned to his home after ten months' service overseas.

"Very few American soldiers have married French girls, although they have been idolized. One reason for such few marriages is that it is difficult. A Yank must send back to his home and get a health certificate and a birth record, and you know how hard a problem that is. Even if he went through this red tape by the time the documents arrived he would probably be up at the front or billeted a long ways from his love now and taking to another girl," said Brent. "I never heard of but four or five marriages near our station."

Brent walked into the front door of his home while his mother, who had not been advised of his coming, was packing a Christmas box to be sent overseas for him.

WOMEN WHO FASCINATE

The art of fascination and attractiveness in women is founded on good health. Women who drag through long hours, days, weeks and sometimes months of suffering with headaches, aches and dragging down pains soon wear the tell-tale expression of age and misery. If every such woman would only turn to that good old fashioned root and herb remedy Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, to alleviate such ailments it would surely prove the greatest aid to health and consequent beauty that she has ever known.

Stomach Trouble

"Before I used Chamberlain's Tablets I doctored a great deal for stomach trouble and felt nervous and tired all the time. These tablets helped me from the first, and inside of a week's time I had improved in every way," writes Mrs. L. A. Drinkard, Jefferson City, Mo.

HOW TO FIGHT Spanish Influenza

B Dry, L. W. Bowers.

Avoid crowds, coughs and cowards, but fear neither germs nor Germans! Keep the system in good order, take plenty of exercise in the fresh air and practice cleanliness. Remember a clean mouth, a clean skin and clean bowels are a protecting armour against disease. To keep the liver and bowels regular and to carry away the poisons within, it is best to take a vegetable pill every other day made of May-apple, aloe, jalap, and sugar coated, to be had at most drug stores, known as Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. If there is a sudden onset of what appears like a hard cold, one should go to bed, wrap warm, take a hot mustard foot bath and drink copiously of lemonade. If pains develop in head or back, ask the druggist for Anurie (anti-uric) tablets. These will flush the bladder and kidneys and carry off poisonous germs. To control the pains and aches take one Anurie tablet every two hours with frequent drinks of lemonade. The pneumonia appears in a most treacherous way, when the influenza victim is apparently reconvalescent and anxious to leave his bed. In recovering from a bad attack of influenza or pneumonia the system should be built up with a good herbal tonic, such as Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Disease, made without alcohol from the roots and barks of American chestnut trees, or his Ironite (ironite) tablets, which can be obtained at most drug stores, or send \$1.00 to Dr. Pierce's Invalid Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y., for trial package.

HORSE DIES OF FRIGHT

Can a horse die of heart failure? Local physicians say it can. Wednesday a team of grays hitched to a farm wagon, and belonging to J. A. Clevenger of the Voca community, was standing in front of the post office when the city's big steam roller came puffing along. The animal began trembling violently and fell prostrate. After a few violent kicks it was dead. The animal had been subject to these spells when frightened, according to Mr. Clevenger, and the physicians say there is no doubt but what it died of heart failure.—Brady Standard.

Few Escape

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D. REEDER TAKES BACK PLACE OF BUSINESS

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Justice of the Peace in and for

Precinct No. 1, Runnels County,

Texas, made on the 5th day of

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the County Clerk, as the law directs, giving notice that I have imponed the following described animals found running at large and roaming on and along the

Public Roads of Runnels County,

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Constable in and for Precinct

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