

### ANNOUNCES FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEES

In this issue we make the announcement of G.M. Sharp, Bob Martin and E. N. Brown for the positions of school trustees, the election to take place Saturday, April 27. There are only three to be elected this year. The above named are among our most progressive business men, thoroughly reliable, and their hearts are with the work required by a school board. The selection, we believe, could not be beat.

Every citizen who has a vote coming ought to vote in this election. It is your duty to vote. Whoever we elect ought to be elected by a large vote. It is no slam on those running if a small vote is polled. The slam is on the voter. If the board is elected by a few votes and then does something you do not approve of, it would be very ungenerous on your part to throw up to them that they were elected by a mere handful. Let everybody vote in an election that concerns them as does few elections.

### ANNOUNCES FOR JUSTICE PEACE

Judge W. W. Wheeler announced in this issue for reelection of Justice Peace of Precinct Number 5. Judge Wheeler has served in this capacity for many years and always discharged the duties of office equitably and well. His experience amply qualifies him for the duties coming before him, and we venture the prediction that he will have no opponent. The Judge is an old citizen, having been a continuous subscriber of the Merkel Mail since it started, 30 years ago. He feels grateful to the voters for their past honors, and we freely recommend him for their further favors.

### LIBERTY LOAN ADDRESS

Last Saturday afternoon Dr. J. D. Sandefer, president of the Simmons College, spoke to a large crowd at the opera house on the question of the Third Liberty Loan. Every moment of his address was splendidly enjoyed, and it is believed that many came away fully determined to make greater efforts for their country than ever before. The applause was frequent. The people as a whole are now beginning to realize that not only the boys at the front are in the war, but every living soul who can raise a hand towards production and maintenance to keep them there.

### MULBERRY NEWS

Rob Martin and children of Tye visited relatives in this community Sunday and Monday. Misses Frankie and Maggie Lee Chancey visited Mrs. Arthur Rogers Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Martin and children, Mr. and Mrs. Will Moore and Mrs. D. W. Martin spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Aron Horton.

Mrs. R. B. Wells visited Mrs. B. N. Billingsley Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Mattie Warner was visited Sunday evening by a number of relatives.

John Burns was brought home from the Sanitarium on last Thursday and is doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rogers spent Monday night with relatives in the Noodle community.

Last week our people evidently decided to follow the advice of the popular song:

"Pack your troubles in your old kit bag,  
And smile, smile smile"—  
drouth or no drouth.

Miss Clara Daniel led the way with a musical at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Daniel, Wednesday night. A musical was given at the home

of Mr. and Mrs. Will Elkins Thursday night. Under the melting influence of so much music, even old Jupiter Pluvius could sulk no longer and on Friday afternoon we got a downpour of rain.

Saturday night Mr. and Mrs. Clint Alleu gave a musical to celebrate. The precipitation in this community according to local measurements amounted to nearly three inches. The rain was accompanied by hail which knocked out quiet a number of window panes. As the rain fell too fast for the ground to absorb it most of the water ran off. All surface tanks, however were filled to overflowing, and water haulers who have been kept pretty busy for the past,—steep months look some what lost but mighty pleasant.

### JUANITA

### ARCH HARRIS BEATEN

The die is cast. Our candidate for school trustee at Union Ridge must again gather up the reins and say "Get up Beck." There is lots of work in that old mule yet, if Arch Harris can just recover from his overwhelming defeat. The neighbors blame his defeat on us. They say they could stand the announcement for the office, but when we used his picture it proved to be the straw that broke the camel's back.

The successful candidate was Dave Shelton. We sure would like to see him. We bet he is some man. By the way, how does he pick cotton?

### NOTICE

Parents, or guardians who have not rendered their children or wards to the Census Enumerator will please see H. R. Hicks, or R.M.Parker and have the matter attended to at once. You might neglect this matter and fail to get your child in the school another year. Children born on or before September 1, 1900, or after September 1, 1911, must not be enumerated. R. M. Parker, Supt.

### MAIL ORDER RETORT.

The Merkel Mail—I read your article on the mail order business with interest. I have been a patron of \_\_\_\_\_ for some time. When you came out against them, I decided at once to stop my subscription. I was warm under the collar. I had just about decided to have you stop the paper even before my time was out. I was impressed that you did not know what you were talking about. I figured it out that you was in league with the merchants there and were working in their interest.

The more I thought about the matter the more it appealed to me to reason it out. I thought I would just like to call your hand. I pulled down the old catalog; I looked it through; I compared prices with prices advertised in the Mail. As a result I began to get my eyes open. I had my order made out for the catalog house. I went to Merkel and bought the bill at a saving of fully ten per cent and the freight, and besides I saw the goods before buying.

I feel like I owe you an apology, even if I did not write you to cancel the subscription. I must confess that I have learned this: I know that some few things can be purchased cheaper from the catalog house; I know that they give some bates, but I have reached the conclusion to keep my eyes open in the future. I may buy some few things that I feel to be real bargains, or where I can save money from the catalog house, but believe me, the bulk of my trade will go to local merchants hereafter. I am looking out for number one, feeling that it is my business to do so.

I recall an instant recently

A three inch rain fell on the J. T. Warren ranch, a few miles east of Merkel.

## MERKEL HIGH SCHOOL—HOME TALENT

### Jerry, The Outcast

OPERA HOUSE, APRIL 12

#### CAST

Gerald Weston, known as Jerry the Tramp..... Bourdon Smith  
Col. Matthew Lee, a Southern Banker..... Vernon Coats  
James Blackburn, his nephew..... Hugh McRee  
Jack Worthington, Blackburn's rival..... Wade Ensminger  
Mrs. Lee, the wife of the Colonel..... Beulah Walker  
France, a disputed possession..... Julia Martin  
Sadie, faithful but true..... Bessie Tucker

#### SYNOPSIS

Jerry, a tramp, is recognized by Blackburn as an escaped convict. Threatened to be sent back to prison, he promises to do the "dirty work" of Blackburn—that is, to claim France Lee as his daughter.

Jerry appears at the Lee home under the name of Robert Graham and presents false proof to the foster-father that he is the father of France. After much persuasion Jerry is induced to remain at the Lee home, but Blackburn interferes and Jerry is forced to take France to his cabin, where France discovers a letter in her own mother's bible. Through this letter Jerry learns that France is his own daughter. Blackburn appears to claim France. Jerry is reported to the officer as an escaped convict. He returns to prison to save his daughter's liberty.

After several years Jerry returns in time to save Col. Lee from financial ruin incurred by Blackburn. He reveals to the Lee family that he is the real father of France. Blackburn faces the prison but Jerry saves him through France.

Time—Two hours and forty minutes

## CLASSIFIED ADS

All ads in this department will be 1 cent per word for each time

**FOR RENT**—Large, cool office room for \$5.00 a month, over Woodroof-Bragg store. See the Merkel Mail. tfc.

**FOR SERVICE**—Bay draft Stallion, 6 years old. 1-5 (\$3.00) Cash at time of service.—Arthur Cranston. 228tpd

**LOST**—Rest for top of Little Six Overland between Merkel and Stith. Finder please bring to Merkel Mail office. A. M. Wimberly. 5t2p

**LOST**—A green coat between Merkel and Stith on Salt Branch road. Finder leave with R. S. Palmer. 4t2p.

**FOR SALE**—Tomato plants. Phone 234. 13t2p

**FOR SALE**—Young pigs, Saturday, April 13. Bring box. Lee D. Williams. tlp.

**BREEDERS**—I will stand the Joe Nally Black Percheron at my farm south of Merkel. Prices reasonable. Not responsible for accidents. John S. Hughes. 12t2c

where I ordered a pair of shoes. The picture certainly looked good. When the shoes arrived they did not look as well as the picture. On inquiry I found that I could have bought a much better shoe for the same money at home and got a better fit.

If others have had the same experience that I have, I feel sure they can save money by buying at home.

A Subscriber.

G. R. Holloway, J. B. Banner, Mr. Estes, and Jas. O'Brien left Wednesday morning in Mr. Holloway's car for Fort Worth to attend the review of the soldiers. They will return Saturday.

Hurry! Don't miss "Jerry the Outcast." Tickets on sale at Grimes Drug Store.

Received car of bran and oats, Bob Martins Grocery Company.

A three inch rain fell on the J. T. Warren ranch, a few miles east of Merkel.

Cut prices on groceries at A. L. Jobe's. 12t2c

**FOR SALE**—One row cultivator and one row planter. Arthur Cranston, Rt. 1. Merkel. 12t2p

**FOR SALE**—Two bay breed mares. Arthur Cranston, Rt. 1, Merkel. 12t2p.

**TYPEWRITER RIBBONS & CARBON PAPER**—At Merkel Mail office.

**FARM FOR RENT**—100 acres broke for planting, 30 in pasture, one mile South of Trent. Apply to Miss Lucy Weir, Trent Texas.

**WANTED**—Sacks, 13¢ for 2-bu sacks and 20¢ for 5-bu. sacks. E. L. Ash. tlp

**WANTED**—Good milk cow with young calf. Tom Largent. 1t

#### NOTICE

Don't forget to bring your chickens, turkeys ducks, geese, guineas, eggs, butter, beeswax, hides, friers, towsacks, old iron, bonec rags and the like to W. P. Duckett and get the cash for all you bring. Thank you in advance. W.P. Duckett.

F. A. Polly has received word that nearly six inches of rain fell on his farm, three miles north of Noodle.

Don't miss "The Noble Outcast, by the Seniors April 12, at the Cozy.

Buy your groceries and grain from G. M. Sharp and save enough to buy war saving stamps

Arthur Cranston reports an inch rain out on his place, near Stith.

On April 29 another Red Cross play will be given at the Cozy by home talent.

Received car of bran and oats, Bob Martins Grocery Company.

Dee Gargus, of Camp Bowie, is at home in the Canyon, suffering from pneumonia, following an operation.

Six pounds fine Peaberry coffee for \$1.00. A. L. Jobe. 12t2c

Make anything you have to sell to W. P. Duckett. He will buy it.

Choice hay at G. M. Sharps.

### BOY SCOUT MEETING

A meeting is planned for the organization of the boy scouts at the school auditorium Saturday night. A troupe and band will be on hand from Abilene and one is expected from Sweetwater. All boys who expect to join are urged to be present. The parents of the boys are also urged to be present.

The parents are urged to go and be convinced that the work is of such a nature as will be of help to their boys. The principles of scoutdom are excellent. They instill within a boy rightful ambition. They steer clear of cigarette smoking and all bad habits, make a boy self-reliant and helpful. Now these principles should be known to the parents, and it is the parents business largely to see that they are carried out.

### Road Work Pushed.

The recent bond election was gone over carefully by the Commissioners Court, in session the past week. They are arranging details just as rapidly as possible. Steps are being taken to see that as much of the work as possible is offered to home men. It is thought that very little delay will occur in bringing the matter to a close.

### SPEAKS ON WAR SAVING STAMPS

The committee on furthering the sale of war saving stamps has been very busy lately. Hubert Harrison, Dallas, and H. Rob Keeble, Abilene, spoke at the opera house last Thursday afternoon. He greatly impressed his hearers with his splendid analysis of the situation. The war saving stamps are working in beautifully with the liberty loan. There is no question of their "Going over the top." Here is where every child, every man and every woman who can not buy a liberty loan can do his "bit."

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### OUR RATES

For District offices \$8.00  
For County offices 8.00  
For Precinct offices 6.00  
For City offices 3.00  
Subscription price, 1 year 1.00  
Always Cash in Advance.

For Clerk District Court  
J. N. Routh  
For County Judge:  
E. M. Overshiner.  
H. Rob Keeble.

For County Clerk:  
H. Holland Teaff.  
Henry R. Hicks.  
J. D. Hilton  
J. L. Mingus  
G. R. Pain

For County Attorney:  
W. E. Martin.  
W. H. Sewell.

For Sheriff:  
J. T. Dodson.  
John Bond.

For County Treasurer:  
Austin Fitts.

For Tax Collector:  
G. B. Tittle.

For County Tax Assessor:  
John H. Vance.

For County School Supt.  
J. S. Smith.

For Commissioner, Precinct 2:  
T. R. Lassiter.  
Sam Butman, Jr.  
J. L. Banner.  
E. D. Coats.

For Public Weigher at Merkel:  
J. M. Garrett.  
H. M. Mayfield.  
James Patterson, Jr.  
W. R. Britton

Justice Peace, Precinct No 5.  
W. W. Wheeler.

**Jones County Candidates**  
For Sheriff:  
T. P. (Tom) Hudson

For Tax Collector:  
W. C. Cutrell.  
Merkel School District, Trustees  
G. M. Sharp.  
Bob Martin.  
E. N. Brown.

### IRELAND OPOSES CONSCRIPT

Parliament has placed the conscript ages between 18 and 50, which applies to Ireland as well as England.

Irish leaders raised a protest. The above presents to our minds the gravity of the situation, and after this draft, recruits will largely have to come from America to stem the tide of the Huns.

### RAIN! RAIN! RAIN AT LAST

It has rained in the great Merkel country at last, and yet Merkel is high and dry. Two clouds appeared Friday, one starting in just north of Trent and reaching over the Noodle country and north. As high as six inches is reported from this downpour just north of Noodle. The Shiloh community reports from one to two inches. The other cloud started with a down pour about three miles east of Merkel, covering the French Pasture and on down to the mountains and extending north along Mulberry and a short distance east of Stith. The hardest rainfall from this cloud was between Merkel and Tye where it reached over three inches. Other localities received from one to two inches from this cloud. Hardly quarter of an inch fell in Merkel and in a several mile strip running north and south.

### THE PRESENCE OF DEATH

Death! How subtle! How cruel! How sudden! O, how hard is death! It steals upon mankind when he thinks least of its coming and bears away upon it chilly tide the tenderest, the bravest and best. We move on in our daily routine, here and there startled by the grimy head of this vile monster. Where it touches it stings, and yet the healing balm of every sting reaches over on the shore eternal.

Last Wednesday morning the wires were weighted with woe! How sudden! O, how hard is death! It steals upon mankind when he thinks least of its coming and bears away upon it chilly tide the tenderest, the bravest and best. We move on in our daily routine, here and there startled by the grimy head of this vile monster. Where it touches it stings, and yet the healing balm of every sting reaches over on the shore eternal.

He is gone. The tender touch of loving hands and hopeful hearts could not wrest him from the grim monster, but peace to his soul, and soon the flying years will reunite him to those so dear to him while here.

In the whirl and dash of life, we must stop a moment and drop a tear at his bier. It is so hard for us to become reconciled to his passing. And to those so near and dear to him goes out the warmth of our tenderest sympathy.

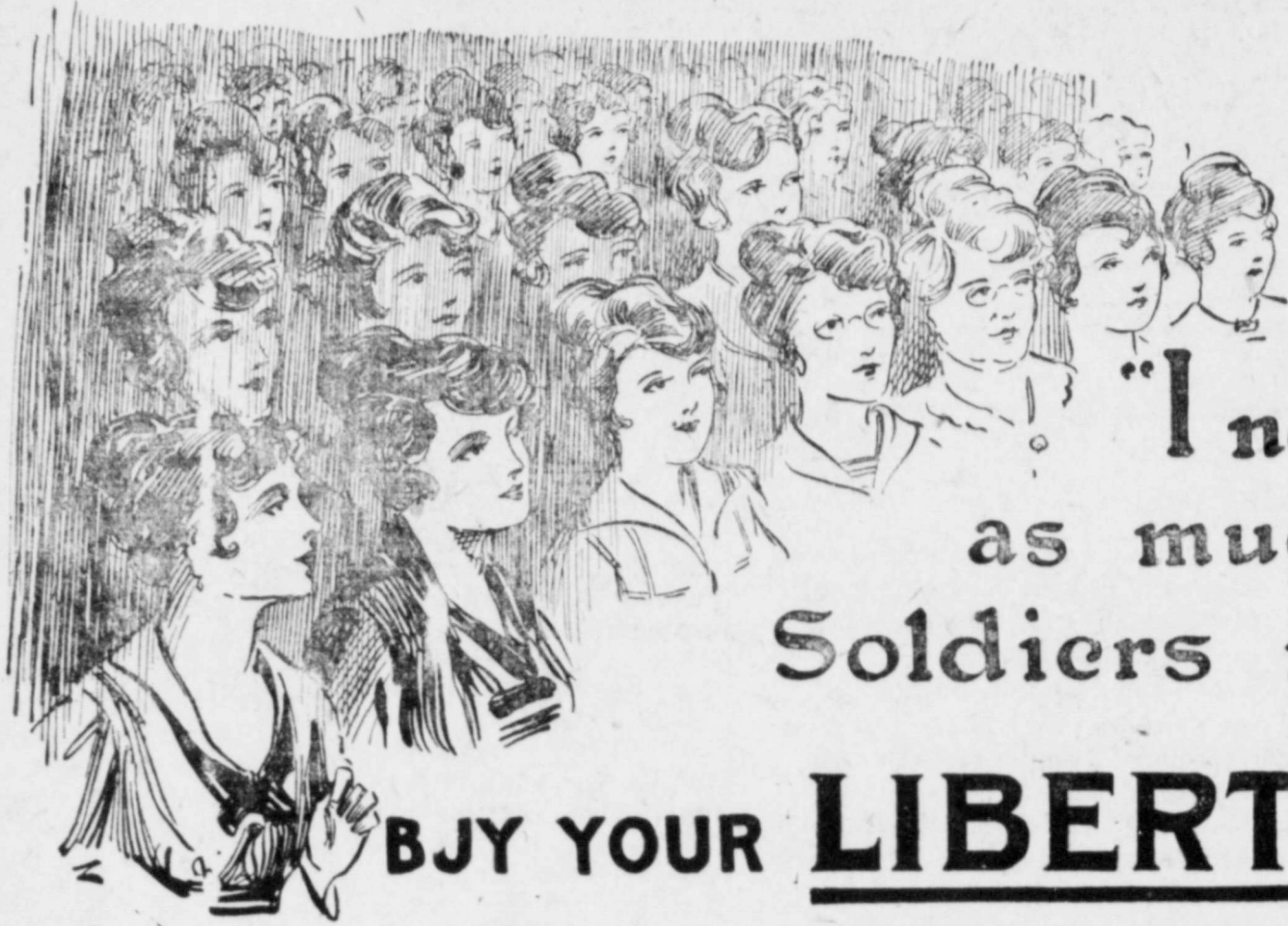
### RUSS-JAPAN TROUBLE.

As a result of landing troops on Russian soil, a break between Russia and Japan is momentarily expected.

R. J. Fry, of Abilene, who was employed by the Commissioners Court of Taylor county, for more than twenty years supervising and building road spent Sunday in the city with his friend, Judge W. W. Wheeler. Mr. Fry, has the distinction of being a good road man, as has done more in the way of making roads than any man in the county.



# WOMEN OF AMERICA!!!



"I need your help  
as much as I need  
Soldiers in France"

BUY YOUR **LIBERTY BONDS** TO DAY

John D. T. Dallas

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## The Farmers & Merchants National Bank

### LOCAL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Burl Wheeler, of Abilene, spent Sunday in the city with homefolks.

Burl Wheeler, is now inspector in charge of Taylor, Jones and Nolan counties, with headquarters at Abilene. His duties will be the final completion of the tick eradication in these counties.

Hooverize and keep your clothes cleaned and pressed. Best service by Mrs. C. L. Cash.

Last Monday morning a little visitor, in the person of Mary Zoe, came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. H. West. She is a fine nine-pound girl. Both mother and child are getting along nicely. Mr. West is taller than ever. He will hardly speak to his friends. Let no one feel offended in the least, for there is a reason.

Send in those spring clothes and have them cleaned and pressed to look like new ones. Mrs. C. L. Cash.

Mrs. W. L. Diltz, returned home last Friday from an extended visit to California, where she has been for the past six months. She says she came from "The land next to heaven," but that there is no place like home. She is looking well and as hearty and happy as ever. Her many friends welcome her back, and Mr. Diltz has been fixing for her coming many weeks.

Don't forget to go to W. P. Duckett with your eggs. He will buy everything.

Everything in feed and seed line. G. M. Sharp.

#### For Bilious Troubles

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 flat and stupid feeling.

## IT Pays To Buy Now

Every day you put off in your wants for Spring goods you are losing because the rise in price is going higher every 7 or 8 days

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| <b>Ladies Hats</b><br>Come see what we have to show you at... <b>\$2.50 to \$3.75</b><br>Childrens..... <b>\$1.25 to \$2.75</b> | <b>Belts and Ties For Men and Boys</b><br>25c, 35c, 50c, and 75c | <b>New Silks</b><br>We have a very good line of the real New Styles, the yd. <b>90c to \$2.40</b> |
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### --- NEW FOOTWEAR FOR ALL SHAPED FEET ---

And prices are very reasonable for Quality and Style. We are especially strong on Mens and Ladies \$3.50 to \$7.50 Shoes and Oxfords

Good 25c and 35c Hose --- None better in America at the Price

**STRONG LINE OF MENS HATS \$2.75, \$3, 3.50 TO 7.50**

### SPRING UNDERWEAR

Prices just a little higher than last year

**THE POWER CASH IS WHY WE CAN SERVE YOU SO WELL**

COME LOOK OUR GOODS OVER

## The Brown D. G. Comp'ny

#### To The Boys Of Taylor County.

Boys do you know that you are called upon to raise a pig, baby beef, or an acre of feed? Our officials are not afraid but that our soldier boys will give a good account of themselves when it comes to battle. Our boys are hoping for the chance to fight the Germans on an open battle field. They will hold the front line trenches if we hold the home or the fourth line trench. We are sending our noble boys to the front; many of these boys have been helping to produce our food. Now the time has come when we must ask all of our red blooded boys between the ages of ten and eighteen to take the place of our soldier boys. Let us get ready, have the land marked off and ready to plant as soon as we get rain which is sure to come in the near future. Then after the rain buy your pigs and baby beef calves, but by all means let us be ready for business after the first rain.

Write me and say what you will raise, pigs, beef or an acre of feed stuff. Sincerely yours, H. N. Morrison, War Emergency Agent.

#### 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 the bowel complaints.

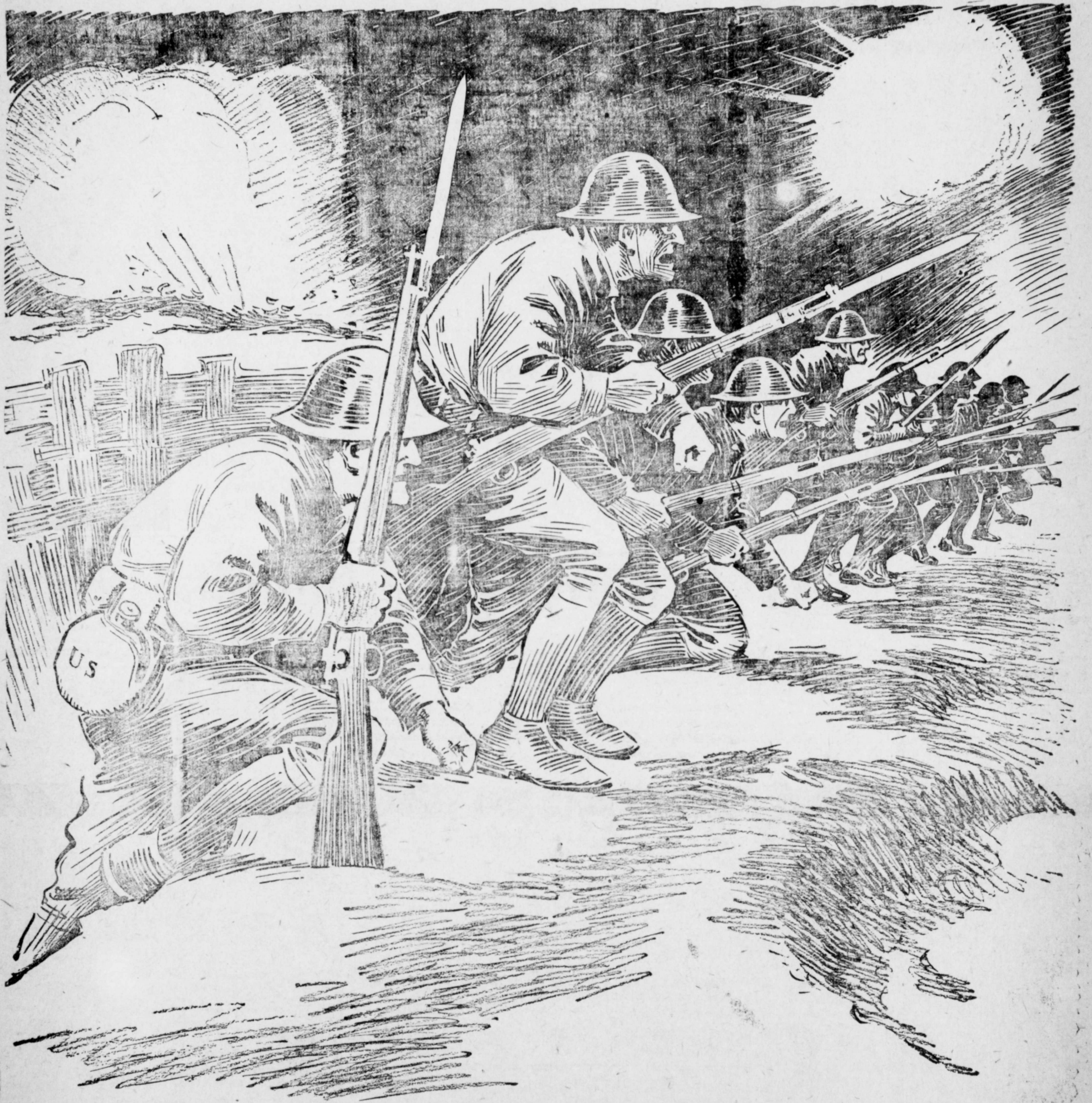
Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for coughs, colds and croup.

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

Chamberlain's ablets for stomach troubles, biliousness and constipation.

By having these articles at hand it would often save 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.





**OVER THE TOP, CIVILIANS!**  
**OVER THE TOP WITH THE LIBERTY LOAN!**

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Texas as second class mail matter.

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Gaither spent Sunday in Sweetwater visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Gaither.

Ellis Warren spent the past week in Knox City on business.

Mrs. Jack Graves of Abilene visited in Merkel this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Otho Barbour and family spent Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Beryl Scott.

Harry Merritt visited in Abilene and Sweetwater the past week in the interest of Scouts.

Plenty of fresh groceries at G. M. Sharps.

W. A. McSpadden and Ralph Henson attended a "Safety First" meeting of the power company last Wednesday night at Abilene.

The remains of John Baker, who died about nine years and was buried here, was exhumed last Wednesday and shipped to Temple for reinterment. His son-in-law, Theo Buckelew, accompanied the remains.

E. C. Badley returned last Wednesday from his trip around the world. He says the Merkel girls are the prettiest he has found anywhere, and he thinks his matrimonial prospects are better here than anywhere.

Clyde Garrett returned to the Camp at Dallas last Saturday night after a short visit with homefolks.

If you want good bran see G. M. Sharp.

Miss Ruby Campbell has been right sick for several days, but was able to report at school on Wednesday.

# 22 Million Families in the United States

## 4 CUPS OF WHEAT FLOUR TO THE POUND

If each family used 4 cups of flour less per week, the saving would be 22 million pounds or 112,244 barrels *every week*.

The greatest help housekeepers can give to win the war is to make this saving and *it can be done* by using this recipe in place of white flour bread.

### Corn Meal Biscuits

$\frac{3}{4}$  cup scalded milk  $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon salt  
1 cup corn meal 1 cup white flour  
2 tablespoons shortening 4 teaspoons Dr. Price's Baking Powder

Save  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup of the measured flour for board. Pour milk over corn meal, add shortening and salt. When cold, add sifted flour and baking powder. Roll out lightly on floured board. Cut with biscuit cutter and bake in greased pan fifteen to twenty minutes.

New Red, White and Blue booklet, "Best War Time Recipes," containing many other recipes for making delicious and wholesome wheat saving foods, mailed free.

DR. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER, 1011 Independence Boulevard, Chicago

## FOOD WILL WIN THE WAR

**HATS! HATS!! HATS!!!**  
Ladies and Gents Panama and Felt Hats Cleaned, Bleached and Reblocked and made to look like new. Leave your hats with Mrs. C. L. Cash at Anchor Mercantile Co. and they will be shipped to me and returned looking like new. All Hats blocked in the latest shapes unless we are instructed otherwise. All work will be returned in 2 or 2 days time and guaranteed to be satisfactory. —Otho Barbour, Abilene's Oldest Taylor and Hatter. Established 1903

**CHURCH NEWS**  
**Sunday School Report**

| Attendance          | Collection |
|---------------------|------------|
| Methodist 162       | \$3.85     |
| Baptist 106         | 2.80       |
| Rock Crossing ME 50 | 68         |

**Preaching At Baptist Church**  
The pastor of the Baptist church at Albany will preach at

the Baptist church Sunday morning and evening. Every one is invited to attend, especially every member.

**League Program April 14, 1918**  
Topic, A Delightful Sabbath. Leader, Mrs. Perminter. Song Service, Scripture Reading, Prayer. History of The Sabbath, Miss Lorena Dry. What God Meant For The Sabbath To Be, Wallace Bragg. Special Music. Lawful Work On The Sabbath, Miss Amber Lewis. Song, Benediction.

**Drives Out Malaria, Builds Up System**  
The Old Standard general strengthening tonic, GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC, drives out Malaria, enriches the blood, and builds up the system. A true tonic. For adults and children. 60c

The Methodist Pastor is profoundly grateful to his flocks for their loyalty to the Kingdom of God and to their church and pastor.

You have made the Sunday School almost double its former strength. You have made the Womans missionary society a live factor in the church.

Our young people have pushed to the front the League work in our Sr League. Our Jr League is a hummer-a-bee hive of

**Catarrhal Deafness Cannot Be Cured**  
by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure catarrhal deafness, and that is by a constitutional remedy. Catarrhal Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result. Unless the inflammation can be reduced and this tube restored to its normal condition hearing will be destroyed forever. Many cases of deafness are caused by catarrh, which is an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Medicine acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system. We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Catarrhal Deafness that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Medicine. Circulars free. All Druggists, 75c. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

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ABILENE, TEXAS  
Only well-known Business College in West Texas. Thousands of firms nearer our Employment Department than any other. Money-back contract guarantee position. Catalogue FREE

interest among the children.

Our Stewards are a fine set of men, they work under disadvantages, but they will bring things to pass.

The choir is fine they are doing some splendid singing, they are faithful and true, special mention is made of Miss Bessie Touchstone, Pianist she is so faithful and true.

Our protracted meeting will begin in the church on the 3rd. Sunday in May. Every christian in the town and surrounding country is invited to cooperate and help in the meeting. Rev. Alonzo Bickley of Midlothian Texas will do the preaching. Take it from me that no stronger preacher and soul winner is on Texas soil. The Pastor will be in Cleburn next Sunday, to visit his aged mother who is very feeble, being 83 years old. Dr. Hendricks will fill my place next Sunday, go to hear him without fail. C. S. Cameron, Pastor.

**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.

**C. E. Program Sunday 14.1918**  
Leader, Earl Thornton.  
Topic, How To Enjoy Sunday. Isa. 58:5-14.  
Enjoy Sunday by Church Going. Luke. 4:14-30, Winnie Calloway.  
By Bible Reading. Ps. 119:41-48, Kenneth Sharp.  
By Resting. Exod. 20:8-11. Preston Guthrie.  
By Worship. Rev. 1:8-20. Hazel Harkrider.  
By Service. Matt. 12:9-21, Maurine Cobb.  
By Christian Fellowship. 1 Jno. 1:1-10, Will Merritt.

**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.

## SCRAP IRON, BONES AND RAGS

Plenty Ear and Shelled Corn

Rags per 100 lbs. \$1.00 Bones 70c

Scrap Iron 50 cents per hundred at Merkel and Trent

Custom Milling

Bring in your wheat—will buy or grind it

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## Their Medicine Chest For 20 Years

IT is characteristic of folks after they pass the allotted "three score years and ten," to look back over the days that are gone and thoughtfully live them over. I find myself, at seventy-one, frequently drifting back a quarter of a century, when I see myself in the little drug store I owned at Bolivar, Mo., making and selling a vegetable compound to my friends and customers—what was then known only as Dr. Lewis' Medicine for Stomach, Liver and Bowel Complaints. For many years while I was perfecting my formula I studied and investigated the laxatives and cathartics on the market and became convinced that their main fault was not that they did not act on the bowels, but that their action was too violent and drastic, and upset the system of the user; which was due to the fact that they were not thorough enough in their action, some simply acting on the upper or small intestines, while others would act only on the lower or large intestines, and that they almost invariably produced a habit requiring augmented doses. I believed that a preparation to produce the best effect must first tone the liver, then act on the stomach and entire alimentary system. If this was accomplished, the medicine would produce a mild, but thorough elimination of the waste without the usual sickening sensations, and make the user feel better at once. After experimenting with hundreds of different compounds, I at last perfected the formula that is now known as Nature's Remedy, which I truly believe goes further

and does more than any laxative on the market today. The thousands of letters from users have convinced me I was right, and that the user of Nature's Remedy as a family medicine, even though he may have used it for twenty-five years, never has to increase the dose. My knowledge of medicine and the results of its use in my own family and among my friends, before I ever offered it for sale, caused me to have great faith in Nature's Remedy from the very first. And now as I find myself nearing the age when I must bow to the inevitable and go to another life, my greatest pleasure is to sit each day and read the letters that each mail brings from people as old or older than I, who tell of having used Nature's Remedy for ten, fifteen and twenty years, and how they and their children and grandchildren have been benefited by it. It is a consoling thought, my friends, for a man at my age to feel that aside from his own success, one has done something for his fellow man. My greatest satisfaction, my greatest happiness today, is the knowledge that tonight more than one million people will take a Nature's Remedy (NR Tablet) and will be better, healthier, happier people for it. I hope you will be one of them.

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Mrs. Walter Jackson, Editor

**Alkin-Walker Wedding**  
Mr. Aiken and Miss Mary Belle Walker, of the Hodge community were quietly married at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Walker, last Sunday afternoon. Elder Jesse Sewell of the Abilene Christian College officiated. They will reside in that community, it is stated.

Mr. Aiken is highly recommended as a capable and industrious young gentleman. He is to be congratulated upon securing for his life's companion so talented and popular a young lady.

May many years of usefulness and happiness attend their married life.

Dewey Brown is back on duty after a short illness.

We will buy your sacks. G. M. Sharp.

Will Sheppard of Camp Bowie is visiting homefolks a few days

Another home talent play will be given at the Cozy in interest of the Red Cross, April

**WANTED**—Sacks, 13c for 2-bu. sacks and 20c for 5-bu. sacks. E. L. Ash. tlp

Cream Meal, at G. M. Sharps

### 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.

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When CALUMET comes in, all baking troubles take quick leave. You go right ahead and mix up baking materials, for biscuits—cakes—anything without fear of uncertainty. Calumet makes you forget failure.

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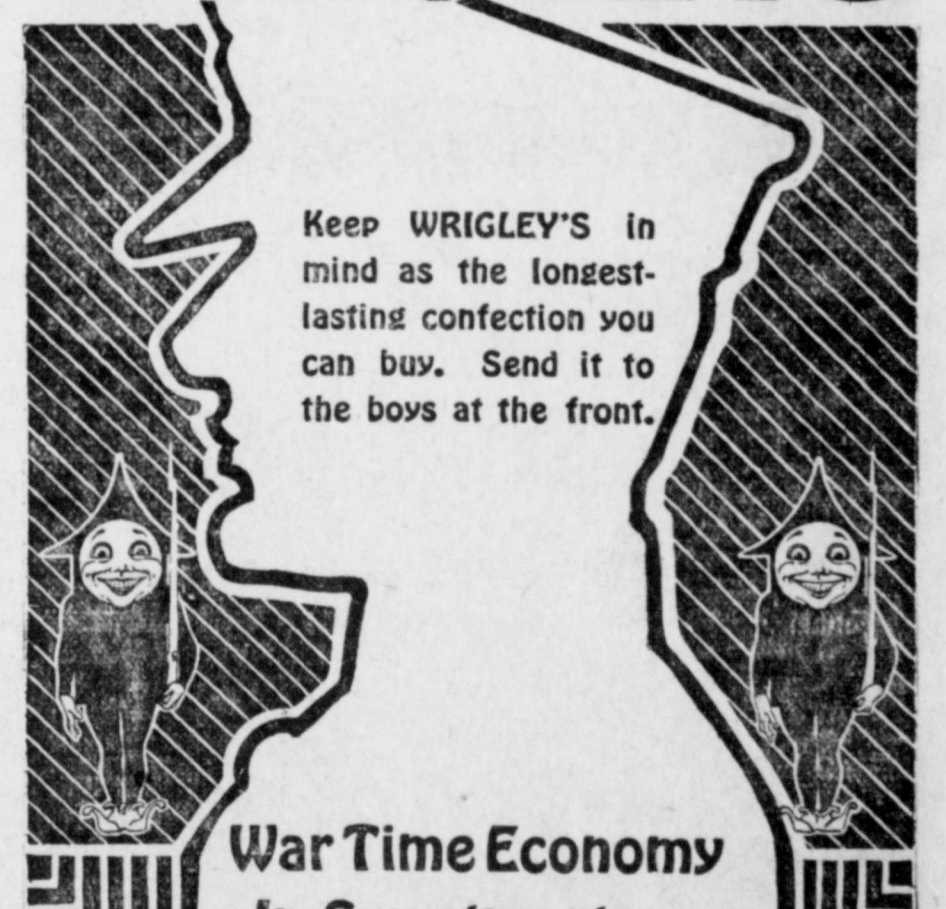
You save when you buy it.  
You save when you use it.

**HIGHEST QUALITY  
HIGHEST AWARDS**

Miss Dell Green, who has been making her home with Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Propst for the past two months, is visiting in the Shiloh community.

**ICE CREAM**  
Or anything else in the confectionery line at A. C. Boney's.

# WRIGLEY'S



Keep WRIGLEY'S in mind as the longest-lasting confection you can buy. Send it to the boys at the front.

## War Time Economy In Sweetmeats—

a 5-cent package of WRIGLEY'S will give you several days' enjoyment: it's an investment in benefit as well as pleasure, for it helps teeth, breath, appetite, digestion.

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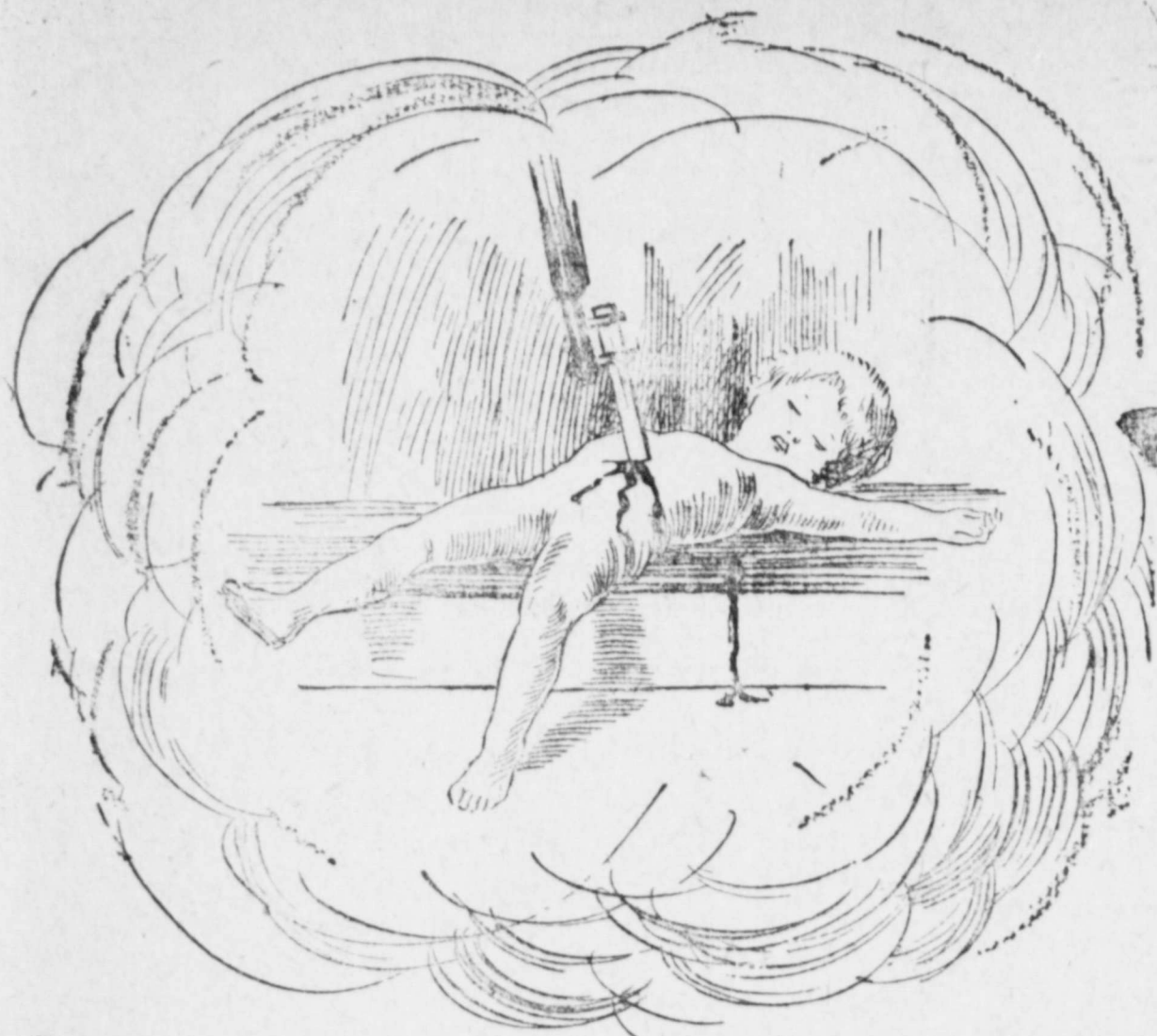
Besides its popularity at drug stores, fountains and restaurants, Bevo has found a welcome place in the home. A family beverage—a guest offering—a table drink that goes perfectly with all food. As a suggestion for Sunday supper—Sweet red or green peppers stuffed with cream cheese and chopped nuts or olives, served on lettuce leaves. French dressing. Cold meat. Toasted crackers. Bevo for everyone. A beverage that tastes like no other soft drink. Pure, wholesome and nutritious.

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## LIVER DIDN'T ACT DIGESTION WAS BAD

Says 65 year Old Kentucky Lady, Who Tells How She Was Relieved After a Few Doses of Black-Draught.

Meadorsville, Ky.—Mrs. Cynthia Higginbotham, of this town, says: "At my age, which is 65, the liver does not act so well as when young. A few years ago, my stomach was all out of fix. I was constipated, my liver didn't act. My digestion was bad, and it took so little to upset me. My appetite was gone. I was very weak... I decided I would give Black-Draught a thorough trial as I knew it was highly recommended for this trouble. I began taking it. I felt better after a few doses. My appetite improved and I became stronger. My bowels acted naturally and the least trouble was soon righted with a few

doses of Black-Draught." Seventy years of successful use has made Thedford's Black-Draught a standard, household remedy. Every member, of every family, at times, need the help that Black-Draught can give in cleansing the system and relieving the troubles that come from constipation, indigestion, lazy liver, etc. You cannot keep well unless your stomach, liver and bowels are in good working order. Keep them that way. Try Black-Draught. It acts promptly, gently and in a natural way. If you feel sluggish, take a dose tonight. You will feel fresh tomorrow. Price 25c. a package—One cent a dose. All druggists. J. 69

R. L. Perminter, with Sisk & Fraby, Pittsburg, Texas, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Perminter, the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Largent and little daughter have returned from an extended trip to Collin county.

Plenty corn at G. M. Sharps.

Recieved car of bran and oats, Bob Martins Grocery Company.

Dr. Armstrong is charged with not being much of a patriot. He went out on the third and carried to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Campbell of Trent a fine baby girl. Next morning he went back to Trent with a splendid little girl for Mr. and Mrs. Will Barnes. In the afternoon he carried a sweet baby girl to Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Grayson of the Shiloh community. All parties are reported doing nicely. If the doctor don't beat this, we certainly don't know how he expects the army to be replenished in the years to come. We bet he is suffraget any way.

**Boschee's German Syrup.** will quiet your cough, soothe the inflammation of a sore throat and lungs, stop irritation in the bronchial tubes, insuring a good night's rest, free from coughing and with easy expectoration in the morning. Made and sold in America for fifty-two years. A wonderful prescription, assisting nature in building up your general health and throwing off the disease. Especially useful in lung trouble, asthma, croup, bronchitis, etc. For sale by Grimes Drug Store. 30 and 90 cent bottles.

Elder W. G. Cypert returned Tuesday evening from Crosbyton where he has been holding a meeting the past ten days. He reports a great time.

Best Peaberry Coffee at G. M. Sharps.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. McMillen returned last Tuesday evening from an extended visit to relatives and friends in Iowa. Mr. McMillen said the return was made in a downpour of rain until they got to Fort Worth, and from there west they had only intermittent showers.

Be sure to see Jerry the Outcast on April 12.

WANTED—Sacks, 13¢ for 2-bu. sacks and 20¢ for 5-bu. sacks. E. L. Ash. tip

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

**Advertised Letters.** Hunter, Mrs. M. Denson, Mrs. J. Reyes, Andres. Sent away to the dead letter office April 24th. H. C. Williams, Postmaster, Merkel, Texas.

**FOR CONSTIPATION** Mr. L. H. Farnham, a prominent druggist of Spirit Lake Iowa, says: "Chamberlain's Tablets are certainly the best thing on the market for constipation. Give these tablets a trial. You are certain to find them agreeable and pleasant in effect. Price, 25cent. For sale by all Dealers. A Healing Salve for Burns.

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## INTERSCHOLASTIC COUNTY SCHOOL MEET

Following are the Merkel winners in the county school meet at Ovalo last Friday and Saturday:

Senior Boy's Declamation, Jack Embry, second place.

Senior Boys' Basketball, Merkel 29, Tuscola 15

Junior Boys' Declamation, John Mann, second place.

Junior Boys' Potato Race, Roy Stevens, fourth place.

Senior Boys' 100 Yard Dash, Hugh McRee, third place.

Junior Boys' 100 Yard Dash, Raymond Ferguson, second place; Roy Stevens, fourth place

Junior Boys' 50 Yard Dash, Raymond Ferguson, second place.

Junior Boys' 220 Yard Dash, Paul Compton, first place, Raymond Ferguson, second place.

Junior Boys' 440 Yard Relay, Merkel, first place, Roy Stevens, Raymond Ferguson, Paul Compton, Fielding Smith.

Junior Boys' Running Broad Jump, Paul Compton, first place and Roy Stevens, second place.

Junior Boys' Hop Step Jump, Raymond Ferguson, first place, Paul Compton, second place.

### CONVINCING TESTIMONY

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Experiences told by Merkel people—Those who have had weak kidneys—

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Who found the remedy effective—

Such statements prove merit. You might doubt an utter stranger.

You must believe Merkel people. Here's Merkel proof. Verify it. Read, Investigate, and convince. You'll find why Merkel folks believe in Doan's.

E. W. Dennis, retired merchant, N. Main St., Merkel says: "My kidneys annoyed me, at times being congested. The kidney secretions were scanty and painful in passage and my back ached. Doan's Kidney Pills corrected those ailments and I used them until I was quite free from the complaint."

Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Dennis had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo N. Y. Adv.

### Special War Savings Representative.

I have been appointed by the State Director as a special Representative of the State to explain the plan of War Savings, and to encourage Thrift among the people by the purchase of War Savings Stamps, and to encourage the organization of War Savings Societies.

I would be pleased at any time to explain these matters, and to render any assistance in the organization of War Saving Societies. W. W. Wheeler.

### Chapped Hands and Sore Nipples.

As healing salve for burns sores, sore nipples and chapped hands Chamberlain's Salve is most excellent. It always allays the pain of a burn almost instantly, and unless the injury is very severe, heals the parts without leaving a scar. Price 25 cents. For sale by all Dealers.

### Oil Prospects at Trent.

C. E. Whittaker reports that he has completed leases on about 15,000 acres near Trent. He wants 20,000 acres. He says if he can get the balance that he is backed by interests that will sink a well at once to a depth of 3500 feet if necessary. He offers a drilling contract. His party offers to put up a \$10,000 bond to guarantee the work. The matter is on a business basis, accepted by the best business men in the district. He is anxious to close the deal before his party becomes interested at other points. If he can not comply with the contract the lease will go back to the owners within sixty days. It means a great deal to all this section to get drilling started. The withholding of leases at this time will block the game and may postpone development indefinitely.



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Our holdings are in Wyoming, Oklahoma, Kansas, Kentucky, Colorado, Texas, where wells produce as high as 10,000 barrels daily. One 100-barrel well will pay \$72,000.00 a year, which would enable us to pay 4 per cent a month dividends on stock issued, as 50 per cent of net profits are to be paid in dividends to stockholders.

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WM. F. REYNOLDS, Secretary

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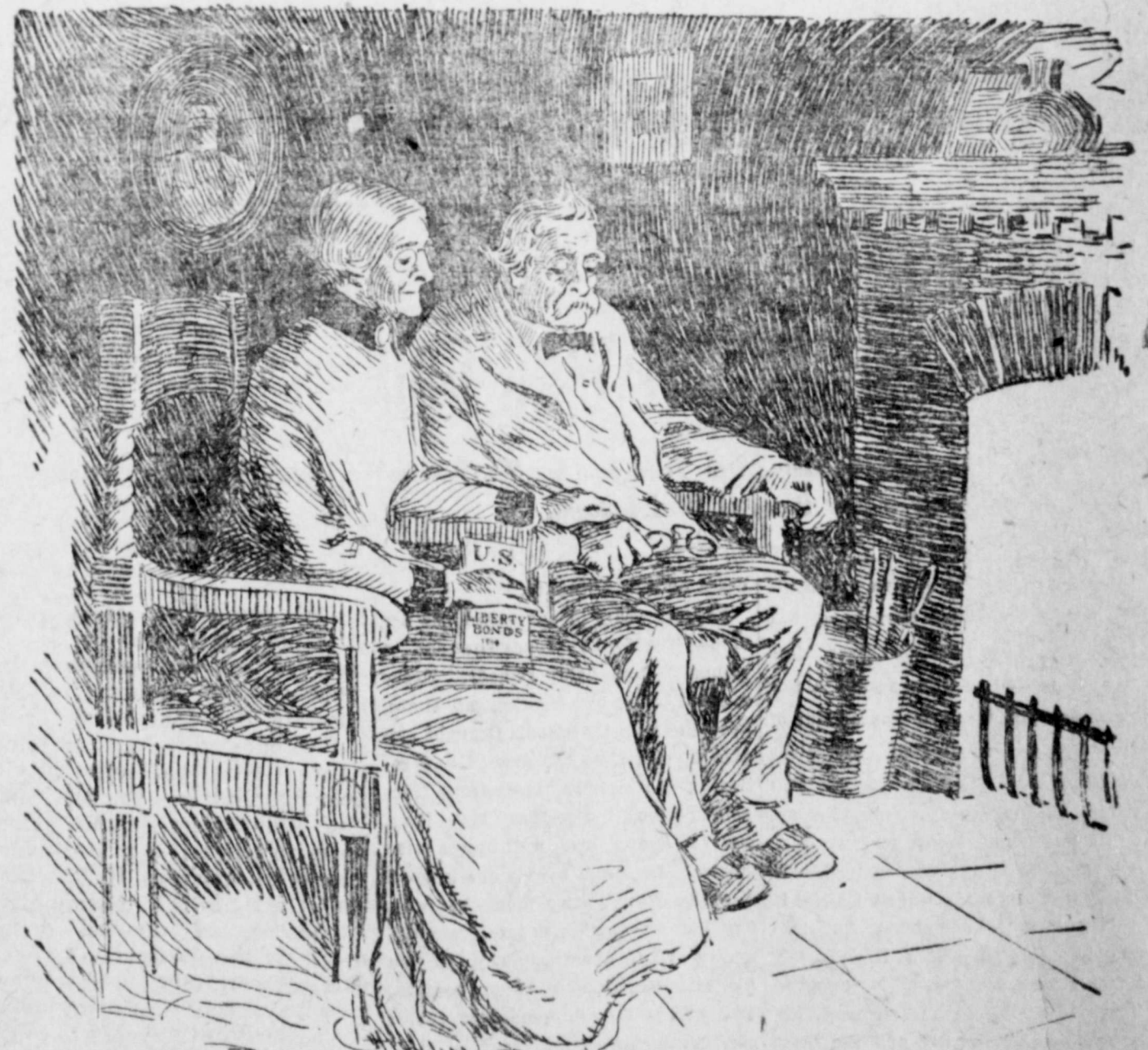
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Those boys who left home just a short time ago are carrying the flag—the Stars and Stripes with its message of liberty—toward Berlin. It's not an easy journey for them. Some of them will never reach Berlin



Long trains, locomotives half hidden in steam clouds, are grinding and lurching and pounding their way over

and some will never come back home again. Hunnish bullets may cut them down or maim them; poison gas may suffocate them and barb-wire entanglements mangle them. They must fight for days at a time hip-deep in mud and slime. But they are carrying forward the flag—ready to give up their lives that German autocracy may be crushed. They are glad to do it; they only ask to serve that they may save their folks back home in old Texas from the fate of Belgians.

**What Are You Doing?**

W.S.S.

Just what are you doing to back up the boys who are giving up their all—life itself, if needed—to protect you here at home? Are you carrying the flag here in Texas or are you hiding behind it and letting the boys do all? Their shoulders can't bear all of the burdens. They can't do everything for you. If the Texas men in France are to beat the Boche and come back home, they must have the cartridges your Thrift Stamps will buy; they must have the guns, clothes and food your War Savings Stamps will get for them. Are you going to refuse to save your money, are you going to keep on using non-essentials, are you going to refuse to buy Thrift Stamps and War Savings Stamps when the Texas Sammie laddies are crying to you for the aid that only you can give? Remember that your boy or your neighbor's boy is over there or they soon will be. Don't they mean something to you? Prove it, then, by saving and buying War Savings Stamps. They save soldiers and sailors, and they make money for you.

W.S.S.

**Societies Will Save**

W.S.S.



For every company of soldiers in the field or training in the army camps there should be a War Savings Society here at

home. War Savings Societies will save soldiers; they are made up of people who have taken the pledge to save their money and invest as they can in war-winning War Savings Stamps. War Savings Societies will aid those boys in getting to Berlin and they will make more certain their return to home and Texas. If you can't be in the khaki-colored ranks, at least be in the company of soldier savers here at home by joining or forming a War Savings Society. Are the boys over there asking you to do too much for them when they request that little favor of you?

W.S.S.

That each county may get credit for the War Savings Societies organized in them, the secretary of every War Savings Society should not fail to report their formation to Louis Lipsitz, State Director of the National War Savings Committee, Dallas, Texas. The regulations require that two blanks, L3 and L4, which may be obtained from the State Director or the County Chairman, shall be filled out and mailed to Mr. Lipsitz.

**Serve and Prosper**

W.S.S.

Money put in War Savings Stamps now saves the lives of men. Less than five years from now the same money will be paid back to you with added interest. You can't lose if you invest in War Savings Stamps, but if you don't buy War Savings Stamps the boys over there will lose—lose their lives, lose the war. Their loss will be yours—what then belongs to you will be the property of the Kaiser. Buy War Savings Stamps now and you and the boys will never lose. Save the boys and save yourself by saving and investing in Thrift Stamps and their bigger brothers, War Savings Stamps. What more could one ask than the privilege of doing his duty and adding to his pocket-book at the same time? War Savings Stamps give you the opportunity. They are Government bonds of small denomination; they differ from other Government bonds only in price. They bear interest for the owner.

W.S.S.

**Societies Sink Subs**

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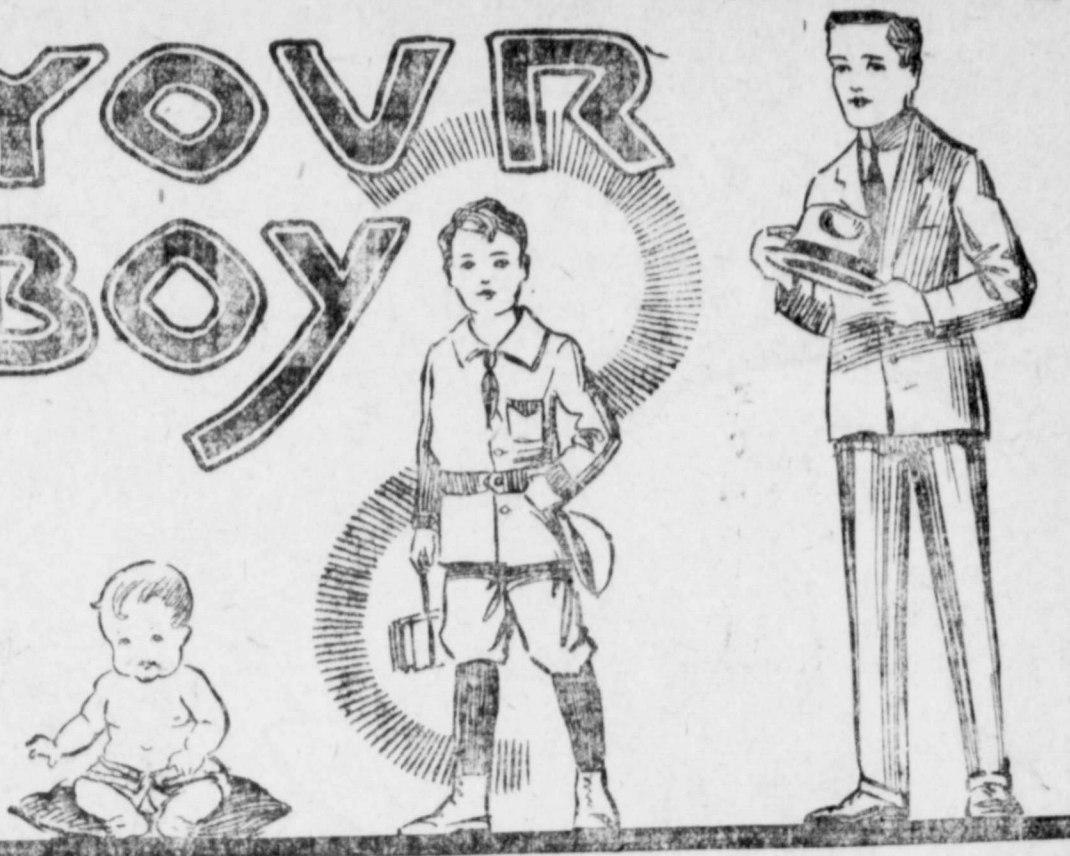


If those Texas sailor laddies come marching home again there must be a War Savings Society for every company of them. Americans have but two big duties today: They must either fight or help the fighters. War Savings Societies will save sailors. They have a man-sized work to do—those sailor laddies and marines from Texas. They have to keep the Kaiser's war boats bottled up in Bremenhaven where they will do no harm to America and our allies. Their duty is to prevent the Hunnish undersea water-wolves from torpedoing our transports and sending Texas lads to join the Tuscania's silent dead. They gladly risk their lives to save the men who marched away from home such a short time ago, or who soon will go.

W.S.S.

Records of the State Director of the National War Savings Committee at Dallas show there are a number of counties in the State which have no War Savings Societies to their credit. Is your county one of these? Has your secretary reported the organization of your Society to the State Director? See that your Society's organization has been reported. Use forms L3 and L4 to make the report. Get them from your County Chairman, fill them out and mail to the State Director at Dallas.

**YOUR BOY**



The boy who is not going to the war. If you could figure out in dollars and cents his value to you, this is the amount you should subscribe to the Liberty Loan. You can't put a price on your love until it hurts.

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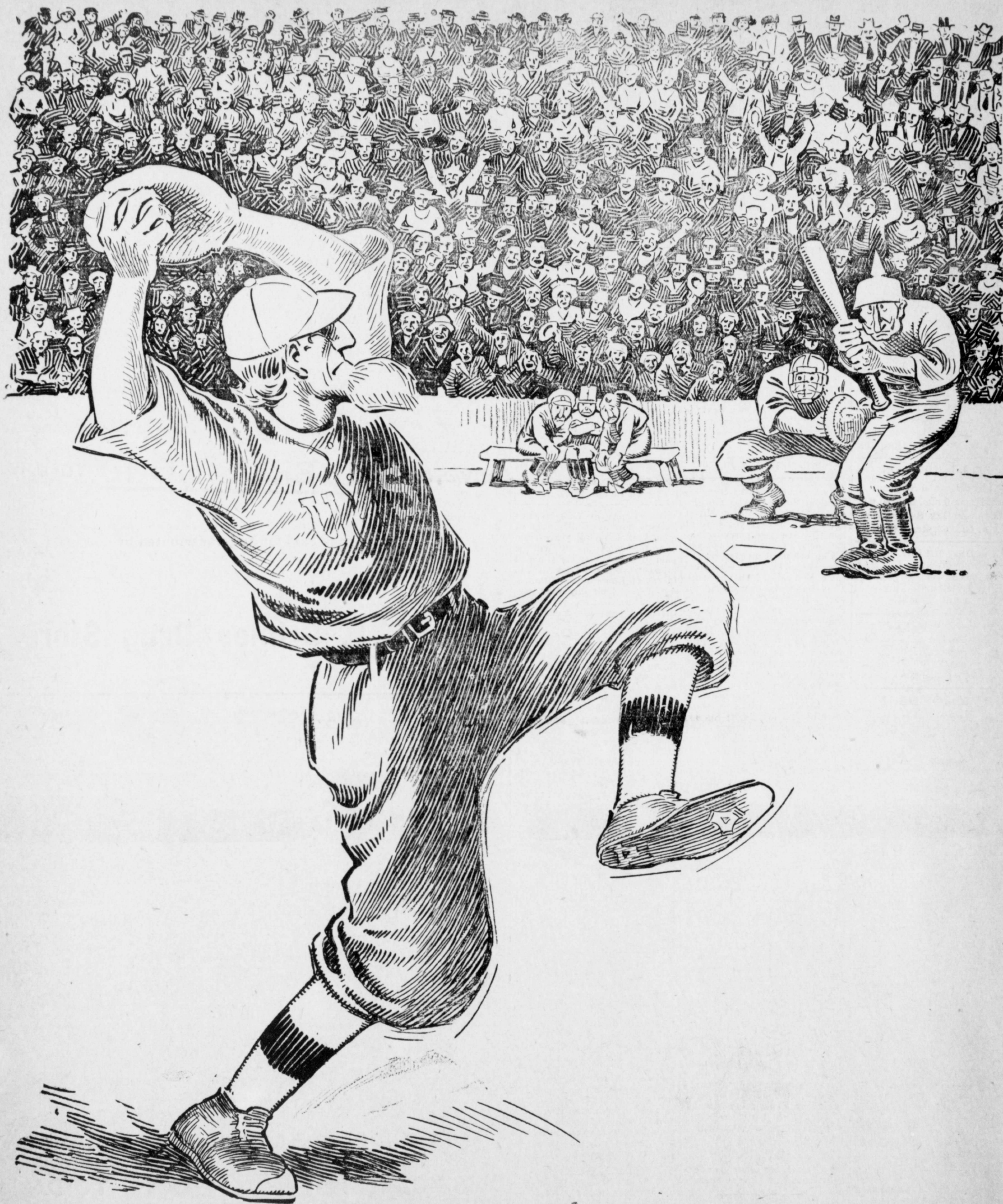
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