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WAY TO HELP THE DROUTH-STRICKEN

The Dallas News Has Editorially Outlined a Plan That Should Receive Attention

According to statements made to The News by gentlemen in position to know the facts, the embarrassment of the drouth-stricken farmers is unnecessarily intensified by the exorbitant prices they are made to pay for feedstuffs, corn, oats and hay. The News has been assured that prices charged Texas farmers are twice, and often more than twice the prices paid to the farmers in those States where these commodities are to be bought. If this is so, or even approximately so, it is evident the misfortune of the farmers is being exploited mercilessly. A generous allowance for all the circumstances can not be made to justify so wide a margin between buying and selling prices as this.

Nearly two months ago The News suggested that the commercial bodies throughout the affected area could serve the farmers and the interest of their own members by acting as buying agents. The News thought was that they could invite orders from the responsible farmers of their communities and, by purchasing in quantities to fill these orders, enable the farmers to get their feedstuffs much more cheaply than they can hope so long as they supply themselves individually, and in small quantities. If the Federal Government shall be persuaded to do what has been asked of it, this suggestion would no longer be timely, of course. But, otherwise, it seems to The News it is worthy of more consideration than it has received.

There are many drouth-stricken farmers who lack both money and credit. Their situation calls for other kind of assistance. But a great many of these farmers have at least credit to buy what they imperatively need, and such as these could be materially helped in this way. It would increase the buying power of their credit, which in most cases is barely enough for their most indispensable needs.

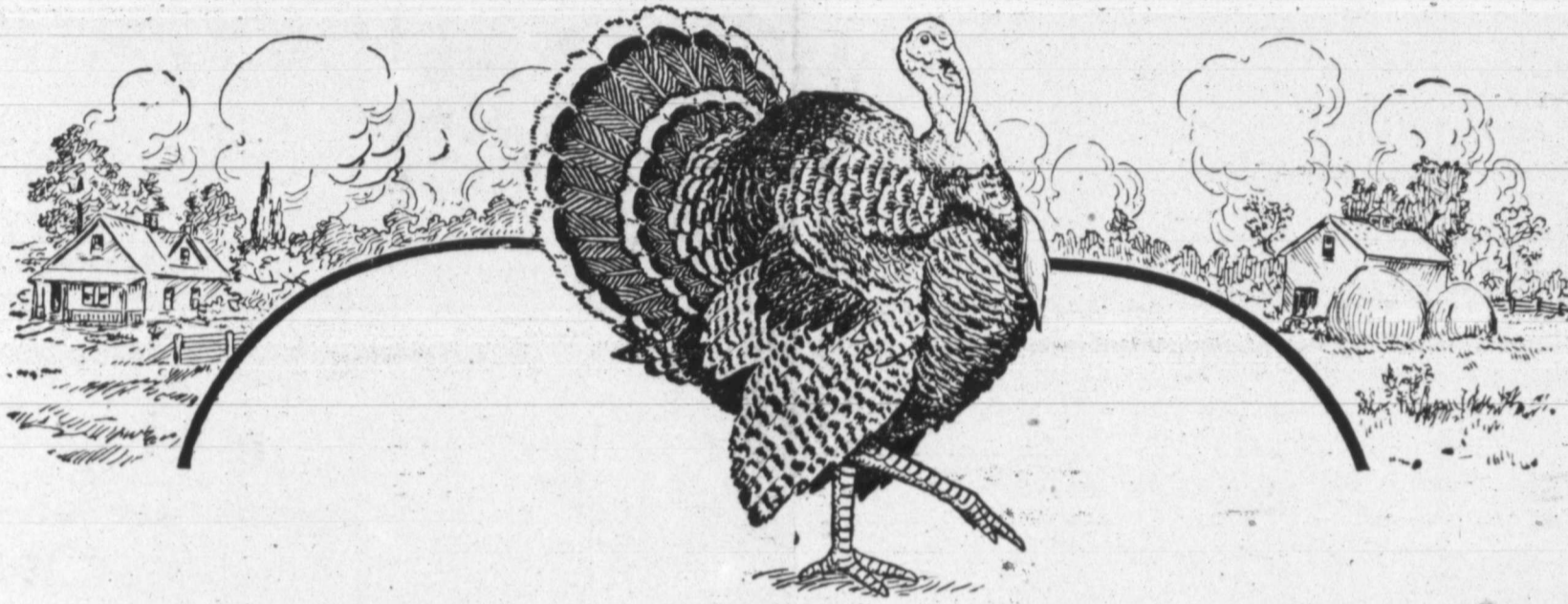
In these sections the work stock that is relied on for utilizing any opportunity the weather may give are already much run down. Many of them will die, and the surviving animals much debilitated, unless they can be better fed between now and spring than they have been for the last several months. Successful farming is a matter of horse power as well as of man power, and more than is popularly understood. It is entirely possible, and even probable, that the farmers will begin their operations next spring with a good season in the ground, and be sadly handicapped in the use of their opportunity by the debilitated condition of their work stock. There are strong reasons of self-interest why commercial bodies should concern themselves in this matter. It is not extravagant to say that the right kind of effort now by them would have the effect of adding several thousand bales of cotton and tons of feedstuffs to the harvests of next year. What sympathy prompts a consideration of self-interest urges.

This is all very well, surely, but The Reporter feels that the government should take a hand, for the farmer is not the only drouth sufferer. The stockman is equally hard-hit, and an appropriation of \$50,000,000 by the government would give little enough relief; yet would be great economy in the conservation of our food supply.

OPERATED ON THIS WEEK FOR APPENDICITIS
John Bollinger, a meat-cutter for the Cash Market, was this week operated for appendicitis. It is a pleasure to know the operation was a success, and the sufferer is expected to be out again in the usual time.

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After This Fellow About Next Thursday



With our feasting and rejoicing next week, let no one forget that our Nation is at war and that Economy is the true patriot's watch-word. Have good things to eat, even the above royal American bird and the concomitants that make him so fine, but do not waste. Be a Hooverite now, then and all the time, until America shall again have written her name gloriously upon pages that chronicle the victories of Democracy against Autocracy.

TELLS OF INCREASE IN CATTLE VALUES

In a letter accompanying a proclamation setting aside Saturday, December 1st, as a day to be celebrated throughout Mississippi because of the lifting of the Federal quarantine against the cattle fever tick, Governor Theodore G. Bilbo, of Mississippi, says:

"So important has been the work of eradication of the cattle tick, so far reaching are its beneficent results, and so greatly should our people congratulate themselves upon the success of this work, that I feel that every one in the State should read it—the proclamation.

"Much credit is due to the State Live Stock Sanitary Board and to the United States Bureau of Animal Industry for their zeal and untiring efforts to rid our State of this pest and place our cattle upon the markets of the world without quarantine restrictions.

"Our cattle will be enhanced in value fully ten dollars per head as the result of their free entrance into the markets and I look to see an amazing influx of purebred cattle into Mississippi now. Heretofore owners of purebred cattle outside of the State feared to bring them to Mississippi on account of the Texas fever and consequent quarantine. Mississippi is being looked to by every section now as a great cattle raising State with untold possibilities."

CALLED TO BALLINGER DEATH OF HIS FATHER

R. E. Truly, one of the esteemed employees of The Reporter, was called to Ballinger last Wednesday night, on account of the death of his father, P. E. Truly, of that place. The death of the deceased was quite sudden, the cause being heart failure. He was a well known newspaperman, having been actively in the game for 25 years, though a few years prior to his death had retired. He leaves a wife and nine children, most of the latter being grown. With all these who are bereaved The Reporter deeply sympathizes. Our Mr. Truly is expected to return to Midland tonight or tomorrow.

GALVESTON COTTON SEED CAKE AVAILABLE

Judge J. M. DeArmond has recently been in communication with proper authorities relative to securing cotton seed cake that has been stored at Galveston. Two telegrams received by him last Wednesday will be of interest to stockmen. One was received at 11:02 a. m., and reads:

"Government has no disposition to interfere in any way with existing contracts between cattlemen and cotton seed oilmen. Cars for shipment of cake have been ordered into the State, by food administration. For protein contents of cake offered by the government, see Sunday morning papers of the 18th. Have asked Peden to wire you direct regarding filling of orders for shipment to Oklahoma, account Midland County cattlemen. Signed, Clements."

The other telegram, received at 5:10 p. m., follows:

"Peden wires 'Where circumstances warrant, will ship Galveston cake to cattle in other states, which have been moved from drouth-stricken area of Texas. Where shipment of Galveston cake is desired, wire this office for approval. If ordered from mill, have mill wire this office for approval, giving buyer and destination and asking for permit.' Signed, Clements."

We suppose no explanation of these telegrams are necessary to the informed stockmen. They are evidence that the government is anxious to give us all the assistance possible.

J. D. CLEWIS HAD HIS LEG AMPUTATED

More than two weeks ago J. D. Clewis, prominent stockman-farmer, of the Florey neighborhood, sustained a badly broken leg, the result of his horse falling with him. He was brought to Midland. Blood poisoning set in and it became necessary to amputate the leg, between the knee and ankle. This was done one day last week, and the sufferer has since been in a serious condition. It is thought, however, by attending physicians that Mr. Clewis may soon begin to improve now, and The Reporter joins many friends in a wish to that effect.

WORKERS ARE BADLY NEEDED IN WASHINGTON

The population of the city of Washington has increased at least 50,000 since the war began. It is natural that the capital city, the center of governmental activities, should show this marked effect of the most extensive preparation for war ever undertaken by any country. A steady stream of new appointees to the great civilian army pours into the city; the streets hum with activity; everybody is busy and earnest; on every hand are the sure signs of a competent organization with a fixed purpose.

At the request of the United States Civil Service Commission the Washington Chamber of Commerce has undertaken the work of directing to suitable rooming and boarding places the new arrivals who are not acquainted in the city. Hundreds of desirable rooms, with or without board, are listed, and at very moderate rates. Application for accommodations can be made by new appointees through correspondence before leaving home or by calling at the office of the Washington Chamber of Commerce, No. 611 Twelfth Street, N. W., upon their arrival in Washington.

Stenographers and typewriters make up a large part of the additions to the force at Washington. Thousands have been appointed and thousands more are needed. Ship draftsmen for the Navy Department, mechanical draftsmen for the service generally and statisticians and what are known as clerks qualified in business administration, clerks qualified in statistics or accounting, index and catalogue clerks, balance of stores clerks, and schedule clerks for the Ordnance Department of the army are also in great demand. Representatives of the United States Civil Service Commission at the post offices in all cities are furnished detailed information concerning positions at Washington in which workers are needed.

Howard Welch, who was a student of Midland College last year, was in Midland this week on a visit. Howard has been up in Missouri for the past year learning to operate a linotype and has been an interested spectator in The Reporter office this week.

LADIES OF MIDLAND ARE DOING THEIR "BIT"

In every way the ladies of Midland are altogether charming, but the sweetest development of character manifested in late days is their adorable patriotism. Their untiring work in the interest of the American Red Cross is just splendid and they are accomplishing much for the comfort and pleasures of our soldier boys. God bless them—these ladies—their mother-hearts, their sister-hearts, and their sweetheart-hearts glow and fill to overflowing in tender sympathy, pride and love for the boys in khaki, and they are bound to do their "bit." Among late things to their credit is evidenced in the following letter to the local Red Cross committee at Ft. Worth:

Midland, Texas, Nov. 19, 1917.
Local Red Cross Committee, care W. C. Stripling, Ft. Worth, Texas.

Dear Fellow-workers:
Realizing the urgent need of the soldiers in the way of bed covering, and trying to lighten the burden of your local organization, we are expressing you today thirty-two comforts and quilts to be placed by you where the need is the greatest. Wishing to do our "bit" in the great world war, and doing whatsoever our hands find to do, the Ladies' Auxiliary of the First Baptist church of Midland has solicited and collected from women representing all denominations, this donation.

Commending you and your noble work to the Author of Liberty and Freedom, we are,
Yours very respectfully,
Mrs. J. E. Nelson, Pres.
Mrs. Geo. Harris, Sec.

ENJOYED A VISIT TO ARIZONA STATE FAIR

Chris Scharbauer and Millard Eldson returned the first of this week from a visit to Phoenix, Ariz., where they attended the Arizona State Fair and report that the occasion was a very interesting one and the fair a jam-up good one, especially from the stockman's viewpoint.

Oscar Hale, who was operated on for appendicitis recently, is now able to be on the streets again.

MIDLAND'S QUOTA FULLY MADE UP

Y. M. C. A. War Work Fund Popular All Over Country—Required Amount Raised

It was The Reporter's purpose to publish a list of the subscribers in Midland to the Y. M. C. A. War Work Fund, our quota being \$500 and it over-subscribed; but it was a list that would not do Midland any credit for the outside world to see. It was a list made conspicuous by the absence of many names that should have been on it and with liberal subscriptions set opposite. It was further conspicuous for the insignificant sums that a number subscribed, who really should have given five to ten times as much.

But the list was in many respects creditable, very creditable. The stand-bys of the town, those whom we never go to in vain, when the cause is good, came over with liberal donations, and on Monday, last, M. F. Burns, secretary-treasurer of the local committee had the pleasure of mailing the Y. M. C. A. War Work headquarters \$515, and there are yet some \$40 to \$50 to be mailed later, when all subscribed is finally collected.

Yes, Midland usually does her part, but she bears such an enviable reputation through no credit to a number of her citizens. Were Midland measured by the beneficent depth and breadth of some of her tight-wads, we'd never own to hall from here upon our occasional visits to a distance. As a matter of fact, we wouldn't hail from here. We'd rather live in a place so infested.

But on the other hand, what a lot of nobility there is in our little city, indeed. Always prompt with a material response when called upon, hearts thrilling with the cause of patriotism, willing and anxious to do their bit, looking, longing, praying for the early triumphancy of righteousness in the world-struggle in which we are now involved. How the attitude, the liberality, the actual, manifest, demonstrated patriotism of these should put to shame the "slackers" who hoard their dollars and care naught for the comfort, who are not interested in the horrible dangers to which the millions of noble "Sammys" are soon to be subjected.

Shame upon them—shame, SHAME!

YOUNG STOCKMAN MADE HEAVY INVESTMENT

We congratulate our young friend, Elliott Cowden, junior member of the firm, G. F. Cowden & Son, upon lately having made a splendid investment on his own account. Some two weeks ago he bought a lease of Geo. D. Elliott on the 50-section west pasture of the "C" ranch, together with 1400 head of calves. This lease extends over a period of more than four years, and will give our young friend a splendid opportunity to realize handsomely, in the event that we have fair seasons. The firm of G. F. Cowden & Son also bought 600 head of coming 2-year-old heifers of the Cowden Cattle Company. We did not learn particulars in either of these deals.

PAY TAXES BEFORE FIRST OF YEAR

Sheriff W. E. Bradford has been informed of a provision of the new come tax laws that will mean of forcing many tax settle with the county before and as a result he expects to be heavy during December income tax law provides, if it is informed, that any city taxes paid before January may be deducted from the total come when calculating net income for federal purposes. This means a material saving to many of our people.

Have You Done Your Holiday Shopping?

Come to our store and let us offer you some suggestions in the way of gifts. Give something that will be serviceable. You will find many things here. Space will not permit us to enumerate. ¶ The newest in Style and Fabric always to be found in our Ready-to-Wear department, also in Gents' Furnishing department.

QUALITY THE BEST---PRICES THE LOWEST

Don't Forget Our Grocery Department--We carry the best if eatables. Buy from us and get the best Store will be Closed all day Thursday, Nov. 29, for Thanksgiving

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You save at least 5c on every yard of Gingham that you buy from this new case at 15c the yard

This case of Gingham was contracted for last February and was to have been shipped to us in July. It came last week. Since this was bought, this same Gingham has advanced until the wholesale-price today is 16 1-2c the yard.

We bought this to sell at 15c the yard. There is a fair profit in this at that price and that is all we want.

New Fall Patterns in dark Plaids, Checks and Stripes. Fast Colors, worth 20c the yard on today's market. As long as they last, our Cash Price, the yard.....15c

You can buy the best Underwear in America right here in Midland for less than you can almost any place

Our Munsingwear is marked at a fair profit over the purchase price and we have not taken into consideration, any advance in price since this was bought.

- Ladies Munsing Union Suits in a heavy, ribbed cotton with long sleeves and ankle length, regular sizes, the suit.....\$1.25
- Extra sizes, the suit.....\$1.50
- Ladies' Munsing Union Suits in light weight, either long sleeves, half sleeves or no sleeves; with knee length, or ankle length, regular sizes the suit.....\$1.25
- Extra sizes.....\$1.50
- Ladies' Munsing Union Suits of Merino (half wool) in a cream ribbed, silk stripe; long sleeves, ankle length, the suit.....\$3.00
- Ladies' Munsing Corset Covers, medium light weight, long sleeves, each.....65c
- Ladies heavy weight, Vests and Pants, regular sizes, 65c; extra sizes.....75c
- Misses' Munsing Union Suits, sizes 6 to 18 years, bleached, ribbed, the suit, 75c, 85c and in the largest sizes.....\$1.00
- Boys' Ecru Ribbed Union Suits, sizes 6 to 16 years; one of the best garments we have ever offered, the suit, all sizes.....75c
- Mens' Heavy Weight, Bleached Ribbed Unions, in sizes 34 to 46, an extra good garment that on today's market would cost us more than we are selling it for, the suit.....\$1.25
- Mens' Munsing Union Suits, in light, medium and heavy weight cotton, all sizes at \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.50. in medium heavy weight wool, all sizes, the suit.....\$3.75
- Mens' Ribbed Shirts and Drawers, the garment.....65c
- Mens' Fleeced-lined Shirts and Drawers, the garment.....65c

Some day it is going to rain--a whole week of cold, wet weather, and when it does

You may know that this Store is prepared to take care of your wants in Overshoes, Rain Coats, Sweaters and such things for the whole family. Honestly, we haven't given up hopes and have gone ahead in our faith and bought these things, knowing that some day you would want them. Some day you will, and just remember, this Store has them for you.

They Sure Save Laundry

That's what one mother said about the Jersey Sweaters for boys' school wear. Really they are a practical thing for the boys, and do save a lot of laundry and mending and cost less than shirts.

- Boys' sizes, 6 to 16 years, in dark red and dark blue, each, 65c and.....75c
 - Boys' sizes in ALL WOOL, Jersey, dark red, each.....\$2.25
 - Boys' Button up Sweaters, in grey and dark red, all sizes, a few left at 50c, others at \$1.00 and.....\$1.25
 - Boys' Corduroy, Norfolk Suits, for school wear, the suit.....\$5.75
 - Boy Scout Shoes for school wear, little sizes.....\$2.25
 - Big sizes (up to size 6) the pair.....\$2.85
 - Boys' Gun Metal Shoes for school wear, lace or button, little sizes, \$2.35, big sizes, the pair.....\$2.85
 - Boys' School Pants, in sizes 7 to 16, in very good quality, the pair.....\$1.00
- A few large sizes in Boys' suits, left from a year ago, at \$3.50, \$4.00 and \$5.00, that are less than wholesale prices today. These are in sizes 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17, and not a great many of them, but if you can find you boy's size, you can buy them for less than they could be made for today, \$3.50, \$4.00 and.....\$5.00
- Boy Scout Hats, for school wear, each.....\$1.25
 - Boys' Winter Caps, with fur pull-downs in all-wool, serge and heavy cloth, each.....50c
 - Boys' Mackinaws and Overcoats, in sizes 6 to 18, at \$5.00 and.....\$5.75

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ALL GIVE ELDERLY MAN HIS INNINGS

If this war does nothing for this country, it will be almost worth its cost when it shall have altered the national view of the elderly man in business, says an exchange.

For years past the business world has clamored for "young blood." In almost every line gray hairs have been tabooed, though they might adorn heads filled with the wisdom of Solomon. At every turn one has been met by youngsters scarce out of college, in positions of the highest honor and trust—positions that should have had the attention that only age and experience could bring to them.

One potent cause for this state of affairs has been the strenuous pace which the business has been going at since the war began. Along with this has come the realization that the country could not stand that pace, and that in order to accomplish the maximum of achievement it

was not necessary for him to maintain the pace, as his skill and experience, born of long practice, counted for more than the dash and fire of his younger competitor.

This state of affairs has been carried to an extreme, and the really capable men of the country have been in numberless instances displaced by youngsters with very little to recommend them save their "dash."

But the tide has turned. With the calling of the younger men to the colors, the managers of the business world are being compelled to have recourse to the despised gray hairs. We repeat, that if the war shall bring no other benefit than to restore to us a just appreciation of age and experience—of course we have no reference to the dotard—it will have been worth almost the cost.

er-increasing stream, the wise housewife will take advantage of this cheap source of starchy food and will give the tubers a very important place on the dinner table," say home-economics specialists of the United States Department of Agriculture.

It is well known that potatoes are a nutritious and healthful food, of which one may eat freely without ill effects. As a matter of fact, say the department specialists, there is something more which can be said for the potato, for the liberal consumption of them helps to supply the body with alkaline salts which it needs for normal health. Eat more potatoes, for breakfast, lunch, dinner or supper, therefore, while they are abundant, say the specialists, to the advantage of both your health and your pocket-book.

Allen Battle left last Saturday for Clifton, Ariz., where he will locate. Mr. Battle will follow in a few days. We very much regret to lose this young people, but wish them unbounded success wherever they make their new home, and to the people thereof we commend them in the highest terms.

ALL SHOULD EAT PLENTY OF POTATOES

"Now the country's bumper potato crop is being into markets in an ex-

BILLY SUNDAY INTERPRETS GULLIVER

A Moral Midget Characterized as "A Carbuncle on The Neck of the Body Politic"

Billy Sunday is over in Atlanta and he is handing out some big chunks of wisdom. The other night he preached a sermon the general effect of which was that grit and optimism animating a man of the right moral size is a combination that can't be beat. He put forth the idea that while a man cannot add anything to his physical stature, his moral size is up to him. He warned his hearers not to be moral midgets. A physical midget can be turned to financial account in a dime museum, he said, but a moral midget he characterized as a "carbuncle on the neck of the body politic."

Incidentally, in that sermon Billy gave the best resume of Gulliver's Travels that we have ever seen, and drove home the lesson in his characteristic fashion. Here is what he said:

"I read of a sailor who was shipwrecked on an island where everything and everybody was big. Why, the men and women were sixty feet high and he was the smallest thing they had ever seen, and he created a commotion and sensation by his contrast. A giant saw him. At the same time he saw the giant and he started to run, but the giant took a couple of steps, caught him, shoved him into his pocket, took him home and dumped him into the lap of his little girl nine years old, and twenty-two feet high, and he said to her, 'Sis, here's a plaything I caught for you down on the seashore.'

"And so she made a cage for him and hung him on her belt like girls do chatelaine bags today, and whenever she went out she took it along as a plaything."

"Later on I read where he was shipwrecked and he landed upon an island where everybody and everything was small. Men and women were about six inches high and children and nature in proportionate sizes; and he was the largest thing they had ever seen, and he created a commotion and sensation by his contrast, and they requested that when he wanted to take a stroll he call on the mayor that he might call on the police and a brass band to warn the people lest he might stop a labor parade or step on a funeral procession."

"They asked him as he walked the streets not to swing his arms lest he might topple over a church steeple or knock down some of their skyscrapers."

"When I imagine myself on the island where everything and everybody was little, O how cheery I become. I swell up as big as I imagine Alexander the Great felt when his feet were on the earth and his hands could touch the sky. But when I imagine myself on the island where everything and everybody was large, how wizened and miserable and mediocre I become. So you are large or you are small, largely owing to where you are."

"The young man who will sit in school and fill his brain with useful thoughts or the one that will go to church to learn something about God—he is a bigger boy, she's a bigger girl, than the one that loaf around the street corner with a crowd, my friends, and spend their lives in frivolity and tomfoolery of the world."

"The man who walks home sober is a bigger man than the one who will go home drunk; the girl who is virtuous is a million times better than the one who sells or gives away her womanhood. The one who prays is a bigger man than the one who curses. So you are big or you are little, largely owing to where you are in the world."

WOULD TELL US HOW TO RUN A NEWSPAPER

"Is my subscription due?" asked the man with the bone dry voice of the editor, as he entered and leaned against the ink roller.

The editor, diplomatically omitting mention of the four statements and six circular letters previously mailed, answered that he believed it was.

"I always like to keep these matters straight," said the man with the bone dry voice in a tone of modest virtue, "and made it a point to drop by and inquire." After the editor looked through two books, eight proofs and nine galleys of type, he ascertained that the subscription had expired 11 months before.

"I will drop in the next time I have a spare dollar and pay up. I always like to keep these matters straight," said the man with the bone dry voice. The editor halted on his way to unlock his cash drawer. The subscriber then passed out leaving the front door open and sat down with the crowd in front of the editor's drug store and discoursed until dinner time on fire insurance rate-making and how to run a newspaper.

PRAYER FROM THE VERY HEART DEPTHS

"Do the soldiers at the front ever pray?" The question was asked by a preacher at a ministers' meeting in a Canadian city. This is the story a returned army chaplain told in reply, says the Chicago Post:

"One of the boys had been given dispatches to carry over a road exposed to the enemy fire. He stood by his motorcycle ready to start. He knew well the danger he must ride through, the slim chance of escape. Looking ahead and unheeding bystanders, he exclaimed: 'O God, I don't give a damn for myself, but for England's sake help me through.'

A real prayer. The spirit of it is the spirit that must inspire every man who sets a clear vision of what this war means.

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Pence Wadley, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Wadley, has been here this week from Dallas on a visit to his parents and other relatives.

Cold weather is coming. Don't crank your head off on that Ford, Coleman & Allen have just installed a special machine for re-charging magnetos, and it does the work without you having to take down your motor. adv 52-17

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On A Cash Basis

On and after Nov. 1st all work turned out by the Pliska Shop will be strictly cash when the work is done. The prevailing high price of materials and extraordinary conditions brought about by the drought, render this move necessary as a measure of self protection. We trust our friends will remember this and not ask us to charge anything. Respectfully,

J. V. PLISKA



An Invitation

Some people dislike to enter the doors of a bank because they

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their small business is too trifling for the banker to bother with. We invite such people to come in and use this bank.

We are in business to be bothered

Every man, woman or child should have a bank account of some size.

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OF MIDLAND

ROBT. J. BURDETTE ON THE "OLD MAN"

Ichabod, my boy, me thought I heard you speak of your father this morning as "the old man." You are eighteen years of age are not? Just so.

That is the age when callow youth has its first attack of big-head. You imagine at this moment that you know it all.

I observe by the cut of your trousers, the angle of your hat, the tip of your head, the flavor of your breath, the style of your toothpick shoes, and the swager of your walk, that you are badly gone on yourself.

This is an error of youth which your uncle can overlook; but it pains me sorely to hear you speak in terms of disrespect of one you should never mention save by the sacred name, "father."

He may not be up to your style in the modern art of making a fool of himself, but ten to one he forgets more in a week than you will ever know.

He may not enjoy smoking guttersnipes chopped fine and enclosed in delicate tissue paper, but he has borne a good many hard knocks for your sake, and is entitled to all the reverence your shallow brain can muster.

By and by, after you get through knowing it all, and begin to learn something, you wonder whose the fool killer kept himself when you were ripe for the sacrifice.

And then, when the "old man" grows tired of the journey and stops to rest, and you fold his hands across his bosom and take a last look at a face that has grown beautiful in death, you will feel a sting of regret that you ever spoke of him in so grossly disrespectful a manner; and when other sprouts of imbecility use the language that so delighted you in the germinal period of manhood, you will feel like chasing them with a thick stick and crushing their skulls to see the inside.

Miller Studio is giving with each dozen cabinet photos, a large photo of the sitter. November only. adv 5-3t

SHERIFF'S SALE

The State of Texas, County of Midland. In the District Court of Midland County, Texas.

W. E. Connell, plaintiff, against W. J. Wooten, Mrs. W. J. Wooten, J. Roland Dublin and Geo. A. Tumlin, defendants.

By virtue of an execution issued on the 4th day of October, 1917, out of the district court of Midland County, Texas, on a judgment rendered in said court on the 4th day of September, A. D. 1917, in favor of said W. E. Connell, and against said W. J. Wooten, Mrs. W. J. Wooten, J. Roland Dublin and Geo. A. Tumlin, I did on the 9th day of October, A. D. 1917, at 5:30 o'clock, p. m., levy upon two-sixth undivided interest in the following described tracts or parcels of land situated in the county of Midland, State of Texas, and belonging to Mrs. W. J. Wooten and J. Roland Dublin, to-wit:

The west one-half of the west one-half of the northeast one-fourth, and the northwest one-fourth and southeast one-fourth of section No. 14, in Block No. 39, 1-south, certificate 3126, Midland County, Texas, containing 360 acres of land, located about three miles north of Midland, Texas.

All of block No. 39, West End Addition to the town of Midland, Midland County, Texas.

All of Block No. 48, Homestead Addition to the town of Midland, Midland County, Texas.

The west one-half of Block No. 39, Homestead Addition to the town of Midland, Midland County, Texas.

The said two-sixth interest being all the interest of Mrs. W. J. Wooten and J. Roland Dublin, each one-sixth interest.

And on the 4th day of December, A. D. 1917, the same being the first Tuesday in said month, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m., on said day, at the court house door of Midland County, Texas, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction, for cash, all of the right, title and interest of the said Mrs. W. J. Wooten, and J. Roland Dublin, in and to said above described property.

Dated at Midland, Texas, on this 8th day of November, A. D. 1917.

W. E. Bradford,
Sheriff, Midland County, Texas.

PRIOR EXEMPTIONS ALL TO BE REVOKED

System of Classification to be Inaugurated and to Take Effect at Noon December 15th

President Wilson, under authority vested in him, has issued, or ordered issued, practically new rules and regulations to govern the selective draft law, and it seems that all persons who have been exempted from military service will have all their work to do over again. The first paragraph of section four of the new regulations, under the sub-heading, "Revocation of Exemption and Discharge," reads:

"All exemptions and discharges made prior to noon on December 15th, 1917, and all certificates in evidence thereof are hereby revoked on and after noon on December 15th, 1917, and all such certificates theretofore issued, shall have no further validity."

As stated above, a system of classification is to be inaugurated. It is far too voluminous to be published in The Reporter, but such information as may be desired can be had of our local board, or, perhaps, at The Reporter office. The classifications run through a long range of qualifications or disqualifications, and it may be well that our boys inform themselves. Exemptions will not be so easy in the future as in the past, nor should they be. Everybody owes the American government—every American, that is—just what every other American in America owes it; and that is full allegiance. The big reason is this, comments the Daily Ardmore, published at Ardmore, Oklahoma: "Because every American in America is a unit, a small part, of the one big unit that is called the government. Now this word allegiance, remember, is a broad word; it is about the broadest word we know."

This great American liberty, this democracy of which we are so rightly proud, has gradually made us a little selfish. It has gradually made us prone to look toward our own personal, individual interests, leaving the government to take care of itself. We have come to think of the government too much as a thing that is foreign to us, a thing that is not a part of us, and here is the very factor that has made us inefficient as a nation—though perhaps we are strong enough as individuals. We are able to rise and meet most emergencies, as we are at present rising to meet emergencies frequently expensive; it somewhat means an expenditure of millions of dollars.

Our government has been most lenient toward us, in that it has always permitted us to do largely as we pleased. Had we been born Germans, we would have been forced to do our bit in the military service of the country, when we reached a certain age, in order that we might know how to fight in the event there was a war; also, had we been born Germans, we would have to be careful of the things we say, for fear of punishments upon a charge of having committed lese majeste. Had we been born Russians, we would have lese majeste to fear, also there would be the mines of a cold and frozen Siberia forever lurking in the background.

But we are neither Germans nor Russians, we are Americans; and we have forgotten that glorious fact, most of us.

It's high time we were waking. It's high time we were taking a hand in this government of ours, as well as a voice. But the right kind of a hand, an intelligent hand! We should stop a little of this perpetual knocking concerning things we know very little about, throw away the hammer, and go to boosting. We should let our Washington giants know that we are behind them to the end, no matter what the end may be. We should talk patriotism, act patriotism, and be patriotic.

And, the biggest thing of all, we should remember that we, ourselves, are the units that go to make up the government.

FIGHT NEVER ENDS ETERNAL VIGILANCE

Methods of Sanitation and How Health of Soldiers is Guarded at Camp Travis

The Reporter has, this week, an interesting communication from Camp Travis. This correspondent writes: There are four boys from Midland County in the 1st Caisson Company at Camp Travis, besides others in other divisions. These are: Jno. W. D. Arnold, Jas. L. Hundie, Marrion C. Morrow, and Geo. E. Selman.

No one knows better than Gen. Allen, commanding the 90th division national army, at Camp Travis; that an efficient army is an army composed of soldiers who are in good health. Those who have sent members of their respective families to compose this great division can have no more comforting thought than that everything that modern science, eternal vigilance and constant watchfulness can do is being done to keep the soldiers at Camp Travis strong in body and in the best of health.

In no line of endeavor is that axiom "eternal vigilance is the price of liberty," applied with greater energy than at Camp Travis. The 90th division is like one great big family. Its efficiency as a fighting unit is impaired by each soldier in that command that is sick. Not only to provide the greatest possible efficiency, but also to conserve the bodies of the soldiers for the future is one of the problems that has had the thought and attention of some of the foremost minds in the medical world, for the medical personnel now at Camp Travis is composed of physicians who have already earned their right to speak with authority upon matters of



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health, hygiene and sanitation.

In a family of 30,000 people there is a constant danger and an ever present opportunity for the breaking out and the spreading of contagious diseases. Measles and mumps, concomitants of childhood days, make a never ending fight to find lodgment in camps. Mild cases of both these diseases have, as was expected, appeared at Camp Travis. But infected units have been quarantined, stricken cases have been placed in isolated wards and the number of these cases has been held at a much lower minimum than would have been the case in any city of the same population as Camp Travis.

No ailment is given more careful attention than the common cold, for common cold often furnishes a splendid breeding ground for pneumonia. Pneumonia has appeared in this camp just like it has appeared in other communities in this State. Against no disease is there waged a more vigilant war than against pneumonia. A committee of the soldiers at Camp Travis, when it first appears. Those thus affected are not passed from under observation of physicians until it has been found that the common cold is that and nothing worse.

The medical corps of the army believes firmly and practices religiously that an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. To the end that disease finds no place in Camp Travis where it can spread, no stone is left unturned to insure absolute cleanliness in everything. The food served the soldiers is scrutinized with scientific eyes. Kitchens are required to be spic and span and housewives who take a pride in their households can well afford to envy the results secured. Shower baths, with hot and cold water, are provided and the men themselves see to it that they are us-

ed by every soldier in Camp Travis. An immense laundry serves the soldiers at a charge of \$1.50 per month for all the washing the soldiers require or desire done.

On arriving at camp each soldier is given a thorough, careful physical examination. Those with minor ailments, or suffering from defects that can be corrected through known agencies are segregated into a separate battalion and there trained back to robustness. There are dental officers who look after the teeth of the command and there are expert physical training experts who direct the work of rebuilding the unfinished bodies. The sick are treated at a large hospital, which has a capacity of 1000 beds and a better equipped or more well fitted hospital is not to be found anywhere.

The result of all this care and attention is that soldiers at Camp Travis are better looked after than 99 out of every 100 men at large. The least of the things that should cause anxiety for relatives and friends is the health of the soldiers at Camp Travis. Every officer at Camp Travis must cooperate with and co-ordinate his efforts with the medical officers, who are supreme in all things that conserve and preserve the health of the soldiers.

That the energies expended to keep the soldiers at Camp Travis in good health are worth while is attested by the fact that no community, no city in the south with 30,000 population can point to such splendid results as have been the fruit of this care and attention. There are fewer cases of sickness at Camp Travis today than in any city in this State of one third the population of Camp Travis. As the men are built up physically and become hardened to all things that affect the health this sickness will be

still further decreased, for at Camp Travis there is being waged a fight that never ends and there is being maintained a vigilance that never flags to maintain the highest health standard that modern science and demonstrated methods can devise.

HAS CERTAINLY BEEN BAD YEAR FOR TICKS

Here are some of the reasons why December 1st, 1917, will be a memorable day in the Southern States.

An area greater than ever before freed from Federal quarantine against the cattle fever tick will have been released between March and December.

A broad wedge of free territory will have been driven through the tick lines to the Gulf of Mexico. 728,565 square miles heavily infested in 1906 will have been pronounced clean.

Farmers will be free to ship their cattle to the great markets for competition on their own merits with other cattle, and not under the quarantining handicap which requires sale at buyer's prices for immediate slaughter.

Cattle will increase in value, milk production, appearance, productivity and length of life. Farmers will be able to buy their farms better stock and raise the standard of their life. The Southern States will en big strides toward the goal of a great cattle-raising industry which their natural advantages make them.

H. B. Dunagan went to D. Sunday on business connected with Unique Theatre.



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PATRIOTIC PLAY HAS CAST OF NOTABLES

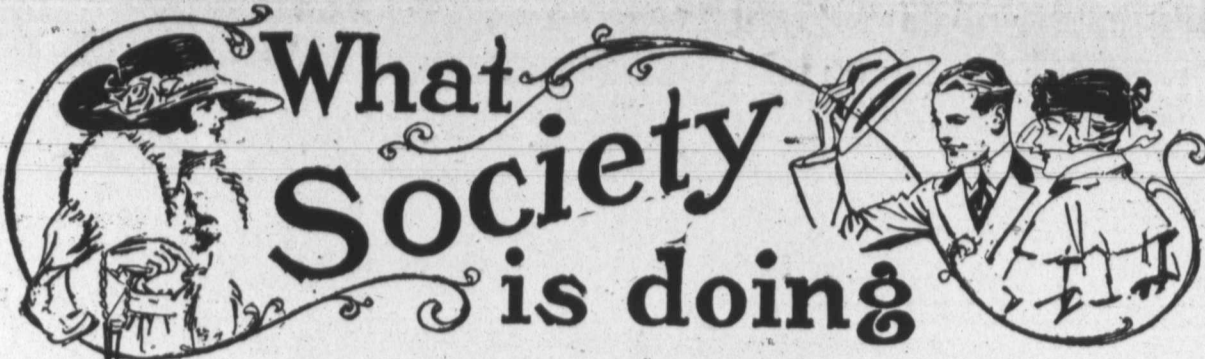
In "Draft 258," Metro's special patriotic production, which stars delightful Mabel Taliaferro, a cast of unusual prominence has been chosen.

William H. Tooker, who interprets the role of Amiel Van Bierman, master spy, lends a fine characterization to the part.

"Draft 258" will be shown in Midland Jan. 28th, benefit of Red Cross.

REVENUE STAMPS ON PARCELS POST PACKAGES

On and after December 1st, 1917, upon every parcel or package transported from one point of the United States to another by parcel post, on which the postage amounts to 25 cents or more, there shall be paid a tax of one cent for each 25 cents or fractional part thereof charged for such transportation, to be paid by the consignor.



A Military Problem

What are you knitting, my pretty maid? She purred and dropped a stitch; "A sock or a sweater, sir," she said, And darned if I know which.

Miss Gladys Holt, Honoree

The ladies of the Wednesday Club, who always entertain very delightfully accorded Miss Gladys Holt, whose marriage to Mr. Frank Cowden will be solemnized the 28th, a very pretty hospitality last Friday afternoon, in the nature of a surprise kitchen shower.

The preponderance of opinion seems to have been, to make husbands intractable and docile, keep them well fed. Another feature which proved to be attractive and enjoyable was each guest was given a small square of white material, upon which they were to outline some specific cooking utensil.

friends for the many lovely gifts bestowed upon her. At the close of the afternoon, dainty ices were served.

A Can Shower

Happy to have you I will be On Wednesday twenty-first at three Let us each donate a can To feed dear Gladys and her man.

The foregoing is the very original form of invitation extended by Mrs. Holt in response to which, on last Wednesday afternoon, a large crowd of ladies attended one of the most cleverly planned and executed parties ever given even by Mrs. Holt.

One of the special diversions of the afternoon was the "can contest." Quite a number of the guests proved to be nimble of wit and cut for the prize. Mrs. Chris Scharbauer, however, drew the lucky number and received as her reward of merit, a lovely linen hot rod case. The shower was presented in a delightfully novel and original manner.

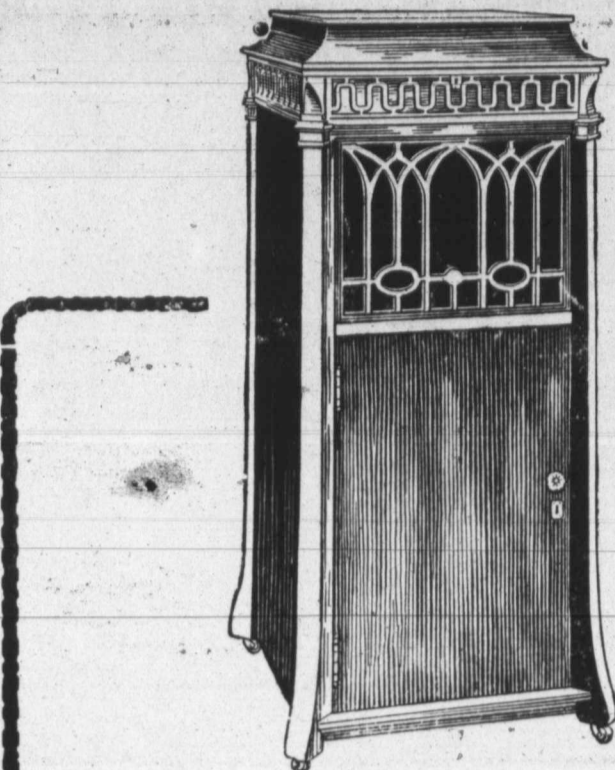
Mrs. Homer Rowe, of Dallas, arrived Tuesday to visit friends and relatives and will be one of the out of town guests at her brother's marriage.

Mortuary

Bridewell—Mr and Mrs. E. M. Bridewell, of the Llano Hotel, received the sad intelligence Sunday of the death of his father, Capt. C. A. Bridewell, at Hope, Ark.

Hope, Nov. 18.—Capt Charles Augustus Bridewell, aged 79 years, died from an attack of the heart at one o'clock this afternoon.

Captain Bridewell was born at Port Gibson, Miss., Aug. 12, 1838, and moved to Helena, Ark., in 1858, where he began his career as an educator. Just before the outbreak of the Civil War he located at Hampton, where, in 1861 he organized the "Arkansas Fellowship" and led his company to Little Rock.



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In the very midst of the wholesome, joyous festivities of the week, we have again been compelled to pause and consider how futile are the affairs of man, compared to the plans of the Father.

Red Cross Benefit Dance

For the benefit of the local chapter of the Red Cross and at the invitation of the ladies of the surgical dressing class, a dance was given last Tuesday night at the Llano Hotel.

The Knifty Knitters

Just a crowd of young girls, fired with patriotic zeal and wanting to do their bit for home, country and the dear khaki clad boys, met with Mrs. Rorie Cowden Saturday afternoon, and organized themselves into what will be known as the Knifty Knitters Club.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Kelley

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Kelley, of Lovington, N. M., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Ray, this week. They are returning from Dallas and are en route home.

Mrs. Lawrence Shields

Mrs. Lawrence Shields, of Fort Worth, arrived this week to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Francis.

Mims—Cooper

We are in receipt of the wedding invitation of Mr. Louis Mims to Miss Daisy Margaret Cooper, of Fort Worth. The happy event will take place Thanksgiving evening at the bride's home, 2517 Ross Avenue, Fort Worth.

Baptist Auxiliary Entertained

Mesdames Barbara Wall, George Harris and Miss Edna Harris were the joint hostesses of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Baptist church, Monday afternoon, at the residence of Mrs. Wall.

Miss Ann Lee Ballard

Miss Ann Lee Ballard, of Fort Worth, who is to be the honor maid in the Holt-Cowden wedding next Wednesday evening, arrived the early part of the week and is an honor guest with the bride-elect in the prenuptial festivities.

A rare opportunity to do your Santa Claus shopping

A rare opportunity to do your Santa Claus shopping will be offered by the Woman's Auxiliary of the Baptist church, this year, for on December 15th they will have a bazaar at which many beautiful articles will be offered and, too, at reasonable prices.

Mrs. Clarence Scharbauer at Home

An event of the week which promises much pleasure, will take place tomorrow afternoon when Mrs. Clarence Scharbauer will open her attractive home from three to five o'clock, honoring Miss Gladys Holt, bride-elect, of the month.

Mesdames J. B. Deardorff and Margaret Watts

Mesdames J. B. Deardorff and Margaret Watts had as their guest this week Mrs. W. L. Downing, whom many people will pleasantly remember as the wife of a former Presbyterian pastor.

Mrs. Mike Rankin received the joyous tidings

Mrs. Mike Rankin received the joyous tidings Wednesday night of the arrival of a baby boy to Mr. and Mrs. Winston Milner, of Fort Worth. Winston has many friends in Midland who will rejoice with him in his rich possession.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Pemberton, of Denver

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Pemberton, of Denver, are expected next week, and Misses Mary and Fanny Glen Pemberton will arrive tomorrow, to attend the Holt-Cowden wedding.

Miss Essie Cowden, of Baylor University

Miss Essie Cowden, of Baylor University, Miss Lula Elkin and Mr. Henry Wolcott, students at T. C. U., are expected to arrive tomorrow to take part in the Holt-Cowden nuptials on next Wednesday.

Mrs. Rowena Gentry, of Pecos

Mrs. Rowena Gentry, of Pecos, is a guest of Mrs. O. B. Holt this week, and is being warmly greeted by many old friends.

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MIDLAND CHORAL CLUB WILL RENDER THANKSGIVING PROGRAM MONDAY NIGHT

The Midland choral club will give a free Thanksgiving program in the Baptist church on next Monday evening, the program beginning at 7:45. The program will consist of four vocal solos, two vocal duets, a ladies' chorus, a men's chorus, a reading and seven grand choruses. Among the choruses to be rendered are: The Star Spangled Banner, the Soldier's Chorus from Faust, the North Wind from Songs of the Winds, and Praise the Lord O Jerusalem from the Song of Thanksgiving. Following is a list of the regular members of the club who will appear on the program:

- SOPRANOS: MISS PRITCHETT, MISS LORENE EDWARDS, MISS ROOSE, MISS SUSIE BRUNSON, MISS MYRTLE TANNER, MISS MAGGIE MCCORMICK, MISS PAULA KISFALUDY, MISS PEARL MCCORMICK, MISS THELMA WULEJEN, MISS ARNIE SMITH, MISS R. T. MCCARTER, MISS ELIZABETH DAVIS, MISS BESSIE COWDEN, MISS CAMMIE SUE GREEN, MISS ANNIE MERRLE MORAN, MISS BEULAH TALLEY, MISS C. B. HERRMAN, MISS WYNNE HOLLOWAY, MISS CLARENCE SCHARBAUER, MISS RUTH BROCK, MISS CHARLES EDWARDS, MISS HAZEL FREDERICK, MISS VIOLA REYNOLDS, MISS EILEEN HARRISON, MISS MILLARD EIDSON, MISS LENA KATE BAKER, MISS MARGORIE M. HOMAN, MISS ADDISON WADLEY, MISS KATHRYN WELBORNE, MISS MAUREEN POLLARD, MISS REBA NUGENT. ALTOS: MRS. LORAINNE DAVIS, MRS. JESS PROTHRO, MRS. LOTTA WILLIAMS, MRS. ALMA WILLIAMS, MRS. ELLEN WHITE, MRS. ORA MAE TERRY, MRS. LIGE DAVIS. TENORS: J. E. NELSON, M. LEVINSON, W. P. GOAR, CARL JONES, W. H. POSTER, FRED PARNELL. BASSOS: N. Y. HENRY, T. P. BARRON, J. M. GILMORE, R. T. MCCARTER, W. W. LUCKEY, ROBERT CRIGLER, M. F. ARMSTRONG, TOM GRADY, F. C. BARRON, HUGH WIGHT, ORON COLLINS.

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- The following have subscribed five (\$5.00) dollars each for the maintenance and support of the Club for the winter of 1917-1918: CHRIS SCHARBAUER, O. B. HOLT, J. M. CALDWELL, PHIL SCHARBAUER, M. P. BURNS, W. D. ELLIS, DR. J. F. HALEY, LIGE DAVIS, R. M. CLAYTON, JR., CLARENCE SCHARBAUER, FIRST NATIONAL BANK, H. A. LEAVERTON, MILLARD EIDSON, W. W. BRUNSON, MIDLAND NATIONAL BANK, MRS. J. T. WHITE, DR. J. B. THOMAS, W. F. SCARBOROUGH, CHARLES GIBBS, W. H. COWDEN, C. A. GOLDSMITH, W. F. COWDEN, CLAUDE COWDEN, JOE JAY, W. B. ELKIN, HENRY M. HALFF, JOHN M. COWDEN, B. N. AYCOCK, BURL HOLLOWAY, JOHN SCHARBAUER.

The ushers for the evening are Messrs. Chas. K. Bell, Harry Tolbert, Dee McCormick and Oliver Luther, and the program for the evening is as follows:

- "The Star-Spangled Banner" Francis Scott Key The Choral Club "The Soldiers' Chorus" from "Faust" Gounod The Choral Club Vocal Duet—"I Would That My Love" Mendelssohn Soprano and Alto: Miss Kisfaludy and Miss Graves Chorus—"The Kerry Dance" Molloy-Page The Choral Club Bass Solo—"Wolfgof, the Bowman" Nelson W. W. Luckey Violin Solo—"Sousvini" Didla Miss Hazel Frederick "Male Chorus—"When Day Fades" Parks Men's Voices "Vocal Solo—"The Flower Song" from "Faust" Gounod Miss Boone Vocal Duet—"Come Unto Me and Rest" Campana-Parks Tenors: W. H. Foster and W. P. Goar "The North Wind" from "Songs of the Winds" Challinor The Choral Club Reading—"When Hundy 'Specks Her Beau" Bull Miss Alma Cowan Tribal Melody—"Indian Mountain Song" Cadman, Op. 48, No 2 Women's Voices Violin Solo—"Serenade" Schubert M. Levinson Baritone Solo—"The Bandolero" Stuart N. Y. Henry Solo and Chorus—"Jerusalem" Parker-Protheroe The Choral Club Vocal Solo—"One Fine Day" from "Madame Butterfly" Puccini Miss Pritchett Male Quartet—"Annie Laurie" Harmonized by Parks W. P. Goar, J. E. Nelson, N. Y. Henry and W. W. Luckey "Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem" (Final Chorus) from "The Song of Thanksgiving" Peace The Choral Club "America" Attributed to Henry Carey

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Fox Stripling was in Midland Wednesday, from Big Spring. He was on his way to his ranch east of Knowles, N. M. Wallace O'Neal was here from Limestone County this week, on his way to Andrews County for a visit to relatives. We have a new subscriber in W. J. May, who was here this week from Lavaca, La., at which place he sold a car of horses and mules. M. W. Harris was a New York visitor to Midland this week. We understand he has purchased the Pence interest in the Llano Hotel Company. L. C. Sharp returned this week from an extensive trip to Pecos, Alpine, Marathon and Marfa, at which places he satisfactorily disposed of a car of apples. M. B. Webb and family left this week for Edwards County, where they will make their future home. We very much regret to lose him. Bruce Autrey, a former attache of The Reporter office, was here last night, accompanied by his brother, J. A. Autrey, and wife. Bruce is in the navy and in training on the great lakes. He volunteered last May. Tomorrow, Saturday, Dr. Buchanan, as usual, will be found in his office over Basham, Shepherd's. Practice limited exclusively to diseases of eye, ear, nose and throat and the fitting of glasses. adv

OUR MARKET REPORT FROM KANSAS CITY

Kansas City Stock Yards, Nov. 19, 1917.—Cattle receipts today were 25,000 head, following 92,000 cattle and 11,000 calves last week, market steady to strong, some cow sales 10 higher. Hog supply was 8,000, market steady to 5 lower, top \$17.75. Sheep and lambs today 8,000, market 10 to 15 higher, range lambs \$17.35, choice fed Westerns worth \$17.50 or better.

Beef Cattle. Good fed cattle were again lacking, best cattle here some caked natives at \$13.25, and caked Westerns \$12.65. These cattle sold higher than last week, and anything with a semblance of merit sells good, notwithstanding the apparent heavy run. A large percentage of the supply in the last two weeks has been canner cows from dry points in the Southwest, and these sold 50 cents lower at the finish last week, though a little stronger today, sales at \$4.50 to \$5.50. Many good young cows are selling to packers at canner prices that would do well either as breeders or in a feed lot, a good buy for anyone having feed. Good range cows sell at \$6.75 to \$8.50, best heavy cows \$10, Colorado beef steers \$10 to \$11, veals \$9 to \$12.

Stockers and Feeders. Feeders sell strong, best stockers in fair demand, plain stockers slow. The same distinction ruled last week, but total outgo was heavy for the season, at 33,000 head. Various sections of the country report considerable quantities of unmerchantable soft corn, and owners of same are buying stock to consume it, hence a good demand for feeders, which sell at \$9.50 to \$11.75. Stock steers bring \$7 to \$9.50.

Hogs. Receipts continue only a fraction of a normal supply, or of the offerings at this time last year, hence lower prices are out of the question, though packers try to enforce declines at every excuse. Today Chicago had 48,000 hogs, reason for lower prices according to the argument, but sales here were mostly steady, best heavy weights \$17.75, equal to best price last week, best medium weights \$17.70, best lights \$17.46, bulk \$17.35 to \$17.70, pig sales \$17 to \$17.50. Immune stock hogs are selling at what some term inflated prices, 18 to 19 cents a pound, but they find an ample outlet. Owners of immunizing plants are searching constantly for pigs to vaccinate, hence the high price of pigs at the stock yards.

Sheep and Lambs. Fat lambs are making good progress upwards, though no strictly choice fed Westerns have been offered as yet. That kind are worth \$17.50 today, some range lambs at the top \$17.35, plain killing lambs around \$17, half fat Westerns selling unsatisfactorily to shippers. Few ewes bring \$11. Some feeding lambs are available, at \$16.50 to \$17, and breeding ewes sell at \$10.50 to \$14. A. Rickart, Market Correspondent.

HOOVER ANSWERS THE NATION'S CALL

Herbert Hoover having designated the International Live Stock Exposition a "Food Training Camp," by this act drafted this institution into the service of his country. More meat is the appeal of the food administrator. To win the war, beef and pork (especially the latter) will be necessary. There is a shortage of meat and fats. For years this deficiency has been developing. During that period the International Live Stock Exposition has acted as a conserving agency, educating the country along lines of economical production; otherwise supply conditions in this emergency would have been even less favorable. This season a great drive for immediate increase in production will be made. The moment is opportune and conditions ripe. Consumption of meats has reached a stage several laps ahead of production and the International Live Stock Exposition, teaches the way out. More cattle, hogs and sheep of better quality and earlier maturity insuring maximum weight and minimum expense, is the solution of the problem. The International Live Stock Exposition, which will be held during the first week in December, will this year emphasize its mission. The problem of the moment is more food and in no other way can the lesson be more convincingly taught. Chas. Dublin, ranching near Eunice, N. M. was in Midland this week. Reports no stock losses, but the range is very dry. F. E. Price was in from Andrews County this week, to ship two cars of black muleys to Fort Worth. He reports cattle in his section doing very nicely. Joe Jay, whose extensive ranch interests are in Gaines County, is in the city this week, visiting his family.

SUNDAY AT THE CHURCHES

Presbyterian Church The regular hours of worship will be observed the coming Sabbath. Sunday school at 9:45 o'clock. a. m. Morning worship 11 o'clock. "The Walls of the City" will be the subject for discussion at this hour. After this service there will be a congregational meeting which was ordered by the session at its last meeting. It is hoped that every member will be present. Evening worship, 7:30 o'clock. Prayermeeting, Wednesday evening at 7:30. The evening for choir practice is Friday. This evening, the 23rd, it will be held at the residence of Mrs. M. D. Watts. Wm. H. Foster, Pastor.

Christian Church Bible school at 9:30 a. m., E. F. Elkin, supt. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Special music. "I was glad when they said unto me, let us go unto the house of the Lord." We expect State Secretary J. B. Holmes, of Fort Worth, to be with us on Lord's Day. He will bring a great message. J. F. McKissick.

Epworth League Subject, "For What Am I Grateful?" Leader—Lee Terry. Song service. "Prayers of Thanksgiving"—Bro. Cowan. Scripture, Psalm XXXIV:1-22. "The Spirit of Thanksgiving"—Alma Cowan.

What We are Thankful For: Christian America—Leader. The Church and Sunday Schools—Mabel Stilwell. The Epworth League—Matt Armstrong. Missionary Societies—Miss Vida Shaw. The Progress in Temperance—Alvin Johnson. Special music—Miss Lydie Watson and Mr. Ned Watson. Song, "Blest be the Tie That Binds" Roll call answered by Bible verses. Announcements and benediction.

UNIQUE THEATRE

All the pictures this week have been a most decided improvement over all others for some time past, and the pictures are getting better and better all the time. Instead of using the allotted space in dealing with the past, we would this week like to give a list of some of the coming features, which follow: Tonight, Friday, Mary Pickford, in "The Little American," will be the feature. The writer has seen this production and can truthfully say that it is one of the finest war dramas he has ever had the good fortune to see. It shows Miss Pickford in a decidedly different role than in any of her other productions, and gives you a view behind the scenes of the great world-war that is now on. The scenes of this production are nearly all laid in France, and shows persecution, romance and war. This will be a Red Cross benefit and it is the duty of all to see it. On next Monday the feature is "117th Motor Truck Train," showing our Midland boys who left with this corps a month or two ago. One lady in Dallas recognized her son in this and bought the reel outright to keep as a remembrance of how he looks in life, should he never return. Don't fail to see this. On November 30th, Theda Bara in "The Darling of Paris," a Fox super picture. Many of us have never seen this famous vampire actress, so don't miss it, for she has international reputation as the vampire queen of the world. Ah, now here is your chance to see something that is something—"The Slacker," on December 17th. We have talked to individuals who have seen this wonderful patriotic picture, and they have said it is the most convincing, the most interesting and the most superb argument in favor of the great fight for liberty they have ever seen or heard. This will be a Red Cross benefit, also. December 25th, Wm. Farnum in "American Methods," another Fox super picture. December 31st, "Sirens of the Sea." This is a Jewell production. Jan. 28th, "Draft," another famous patriotic drama, and will be presented under the auspices of the local Red Cross of Midland. Beginning on the night of Nov. 26, a big Vitagraph serial will start. The title of this serial is "The Fighting Trail," and is said to be a winner. Commencing on Friday, Dec. 21st, the Unique will start Paramount feature service, and will have every Friday night from then on.

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Geo. Price and wife left last Sunday for San Antonio. Mr. Price has been employed in the Coleman & Allen garage and also has operated the machine at the Unique Theatre ever since this place of amusement opened up. He has not decided whether he will locate in San Antonio or in Brownsville.

Rev. B. A. Copas, of the State Mission Board of the Baptist denomination, preached in the Baptist church here last Sunday at both hours to representative congregations.

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MIDLAND GIRL HAS BEEN PROMOTED

The following we clip from the Lake Charles (La) Press, in which it gives an account of Miss Raynee Ethridge, daughter of our townsman, Ben Ethridge, who was a former employee of the Western Telephone Company at this place and also studied telegraphy in the Midland school of telegraphy, under the efficient instruction of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Durbin, the local managers of the Western Union offices at this place. The article reads as follows:

The force of the local Western Union telegraph office has been augmented recently by the arrival of Miss Raynee Ethridge, who was transferred from Texas to Lake Charles to assume the duties of cashier and bookkeeper. Miss Ethridge is an experienced and competent worker, and comes highly recommended.

As the local office now has three New Orleans wires, and will be equipped in a very short time with quadruplex set and repeaters, and will have dynamo power for their batteries, additions will be made to their force from time to time. These new features will necessitate a wire chief and will make the Lake Charles office the best equipped one between New Orleans and Houston.

COMING BENEFITS FOR THE RED CROSS

The surgical dressing class of the Red Cross has arranged to present to the Midland public a series of the finest motion pictures to be had. These will be shown one each month. Three of the very best pictures along patriotic lines have been secured for November, December and January, as follows:

"The Little American," November 23rd. (tonight)

"The Slacker," December 17th.

"Draft No. 258," January 23rd.

The ladies of the auxiliary of the Baptist church, wish to announce that on Dec. 15th, they will have a Christmas bazaar.

It has been reported that our old friend and townsman, J. W. Hampton, was going to leave Midland. This is a mistake. Mr. Hampton informed us last Monday morning that he has never contemplated leaving Midland at any time, and that the report was decidedly false.

ARE YOU RUN DOWN

Awaken to the Danger and Aid the Weakened Kidneys

Kidney sickness often runs you down to the verge of collapse before you know the cause. When you seem unable to pin your mind to any task, your back aches and you cannot do an ordinary day's work, it is time to ask yourself this question: "Are my kidneys working right?" The answer may be easily found.

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WAR TALKS

By UNCLE DAN

Number Four

Military Training Necessary for Safety and Defense.

"Say, Uncle Dan," said Billie, "Jimmie and I have been looking up about war in the encyclopedia at school. We found that in the war between Germany and France in 1870-71, Germany lost in killed and wounded 28,000 soldiers while France lost about six times as many, and besides that, she lost every battle. We asked Professor Slocum why this was. He said that the German army was highly trained and ably commanded, while the French soldiers were poorly trained; and that their war department was honeycombed with jealousy and politics; that the officers were not much good, and that's why France lost the war and so many men. What do you think about it, Uncle Dan?"

"Well," said Uncle Dan, "Professor Slocum is right. By inefficiency France lost that war, together with two of her best provinces—Alsace and Lorraine—and had to pay a billion dollars indemnity money. France today learned her lesson by that sad experience, so she put in universal military training, and as a result, her soldiers now know how to fight and how to protect themselves. They are losing less men in the war than the Germans. France also put politics out of her war department, so that expert authority, instead of bureaucratic stupidity, now directs the army. The result is, France has one of the best and most efficient armies ever assembled, and this shows what thorough training and good leadership means in warfare. This saved France in this crisis, as well as the liberties of the world."

"As war is now conducted, there is no place for an untrained man. A body of 10,000 well trained soldiers properly handled could defeat five times their number of raw recruits and do it every time with comparatively small loss to themselves. Proper training alone will reduce the death and casualty rate one-third of what it otherwise would be, and right here is an unanswerable argument for universal military training."

"Our government has no moral right to force her men into war service without properly training them for it. To do so is simply murder, hence the frantic effort that is now being made to give her soldiers some training before they are sent to the front. If we are to win this war, it will take trained men to do it, and it will take trained men to win any other war that may come upon us in the future. If we must fight, let us fight to win and not to lose."

"That's the stuff," said Billie. Continuing, Uncle Dan said: "Our government has expended about \$300,000,000 to put up cantonments and training stations in order to train the men called by the selective draft. When these men are trained the training stations should be immediately filled with younger men, say those in their nineteenth year, to receive six months of intensive military training along the lines of the Chamberlain bill. This will be of immeasurable benefit to them individually. It will do them more good than any other two years of their whole life; it will make them strong, manly, self-reliant, quick to see and quick to act; it will equip them for a successful life. In short, it will rebuild American manhood and will also give the government a body of trained men to draw from in case it is necessary to defend our flag and country. We must settle this question of universal military training immediately, otherwise these training camps may be demolished. The adoption of universal military training will be notice to the world that from then on we will be prepared to defend ourselves promptly and efficiently, and this will do more to keep us out of war in the future than anything else we could do."

"Do you think, brother," said Mrs. Graham, "that there will ever be another war?"

"I have no doubt about it," said Uncle Dan. "So long as men are selfish, so long as nations are ambitious to acquire territory, so long as population presses and demands more room, so long as there remains a scramble for world trade—so long wars will be. When the time comes that we reach the high plane for which we hope and dream, when all will recognize the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man, then, and then only, will wars cease. When that day comes doors will need no locks, banks will need no vaults to protect their treasures, but that day is a long way off."

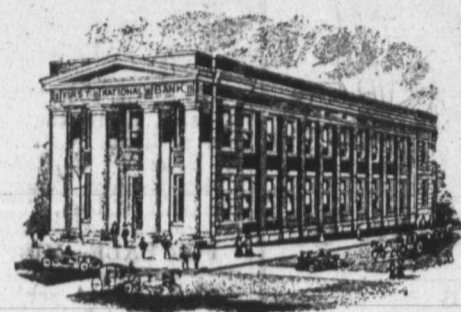
"The only safe and sane plan is to be able to defend ourselves at all times. Therefore, every citizen should insist that senators and congressmen shall provide for universal military training, so that never again shall the country be caught so completely unready as this war found us. Fortunately, in this case, our enemy has been held back, so we have had a few months in which to prepare. This advantage probably will never come again. It is however our salvation today."

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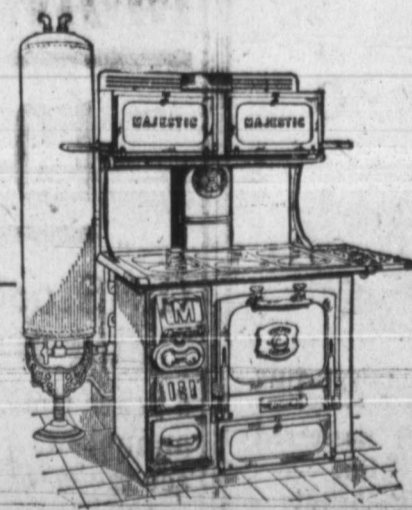
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THE GREAT QUESTION

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PART I.

What is my duty; what is the most sensible and profitable course for me to follow in my private and business affairs during the continuance of the war?

This is the great question confronting every American citizen.

Here is a common-sense reply: Before we can settle the matter in detail, we must grasp those elementary principles which govern national affairs.

This does not involve great learning or research, for economic knowledge is little else than common-sense applied to big subjects.

The war will be won by the Nation which can place the greatest number of men, the greatest amount of material in the field, and produce the greatest amount of foodstuffs to supply its military and civilian forces. This fact is so generally recognized that it is not necessary to bring forward elaborate arguments to prove it.

We are a wealthy Nation, and the question arises as to whether or not we can win the war by throwing our surplus wealth into the struggle.

We cannot.

Why? Because our savings, as a Nation, amounted to about 5 Billion Dollars annually before we entered the war, and our war estimates for the first year's operations call for an expenditure of about Eighteen Billion Dollars, or over 3 1/2 times as much as we have saved ever before in one year.

Now there are three courses open to us. We can endeavor to produce 3 1/2 times as much wealth this year as ever we did before. We can endeavor to save 3 1/2 times as much money as ever we did before. We can lie down on the whole proposition, and let Germany win.

Having described this article as a common-sense reply to a great question, we will eliminate the last mentioned possibility.

We cannot produce 3 1/2 times as much wealth this year as ever before. It will take several years to adjust our affairs so as to produce such results.

To save 3 1/2 times as much as ever we have before is quite possible, but would mean actual hardship for millions of our people.

The most sensible solution of the problem is to aim at a combination of production and self-denial which will find us at the end of a year at least 3 1/2 times wealthier as a nation, than ever before.

The method indicated has been followed by our Allies with results that have astonished the world. After 2 1/2 years of physical and financial strain, England raised recently a loan of 5 Billion Dollars, equivalent to Ten Billion Dollars in this Country, owing to the fact that we have about double the population. England has speeded up her production of wealth, denied herself so much, that despite the fact that millions of her finest specimens of human material are fighting, despite the fact that she had raised previously about a like amount of 5 Billion Dollars in loans, and is paying 2 1/2 Billion Dollars yearly in taxes, she was able to produce this enormous amount in a 30-day campaign.

Germany is speeding up her production along the most scientific lines, and is starving herself. That is the sole reason Germany exists today.

Are we super-men that we can do things differently to others?

Let us forget this talk of "Uncle Sam soon cleaning up the Germans when he gets there." The Germans will not be "cleaned up" by talk, or even by bravery alone. They must be fought with their own weapons, hard work and self-denial—the things that win wars.

Again, the man who cries, "Let the rich man pay," has not grasped the elementary facts of the situation. The rich man IS paying, and WILL pay, for the Government already is calling for as much as 50% of his profits in the shape of Income and War Profit Taxes.

It is true that the Government is not taking away the rich man's capital, but neither is it asking the less wealthy producer to part with his capital. All alike must retain their capital in order to run factories, farm the land, build ships, equip armies, and provide wages.

It would be an entirely mistaken policy to attempt to use the capital wealth of the Country to finance the war. What you need, what the government needs, what the whole world needs, is an increase, a very great increase, in the INCOME of rich and poor alike.

You Americans must produce more, must work harder; the uncultivated land of this Country is a standing reproach to us. You working-men, must work overtime. You women

must economize and save in the home. You wealthy automobilists must curtail your extravagances and let the Automobile Manufacturer be free to make trucks and cars for the Government. You society women must realize that it is vulgarly and almost treason to keep an army of workers making your clothes when they could be doing useful work for the Government. You children must help with the housework and free men and women to fight and produce goods needed by the Country.

We must get together for greater efficiency.
We must save or perish.

PART II.

We will assume that you have agreed the conclusions in Part I, and have resolved to produce more wealth, to work harder, and to deny yourself in the matter of food and luxuries.

Soon after adopting these measures you will find yourself growing richer, accumulating money at a much greater rate than ever before.

Your duty and your common-sense demand that you loan this money to your Government.

By doing this you will make a very definite contribution to the success of the war. The additional crops you grow, the additional hours you put in at your work, the little hardships you endure as you economize, will feed soldiers, will buy guns and ammunition, build airships, will crush Germany, will make the world safe for business and safe for democracy.

How can you best lend your wealth, the product of your labor and self-denial, to your Country?

By buying Liberty Bonds.

"But," you say, "The Campaign for the Second Liberty Loan is over."

Yes. The flags have ceased to wave, and the bands have stopped playing, but have you a Bond? Or if you have, have you purchased to the limit of your ability?

In those sections where people were indifferent to the Loan, the Bankers came forward, shouldered the responsibilities of their customers, and bought Bonds far in excess of their share, because they believed that sooner or later, their customers must see reason, and would be anxious to purchase Bonds. If you have no Bond, purchase one from your Banker just as soon as you are able. You will be doing a man's part, "doing your bit," shouldering your own responsibilities, instead of allowing the Banker to do your duty for you.

Some men seem to regard the purchase of Bonds as a mysterious business, and feel that they are sinking their money forever in the purchase.

A Bond looks like a great big 150.00 or 500.00 Bill, and is wonderfully like one in its uses. There is one great difference, however, a 150.00 or 500.00 Bill bears no interest, whereas a Liberty Bond bears 4% interest.

How easily can a Bond be turned into money?

Almost as easily as a Bill of large denomination. While you buy your bond with the idea of lending the money to your Government, there are thousands of people ready to relieve you of your responsibility, should you find such a course necessary.

Millions of Dollars worth of Liberty Bonds change hands every week. Everywhere, Commercial Firms are beginning to advertise that they will accept Liberty Bonds in payment of accounts.

"Why," you say, "I might as well own Bonds as money."

Better, far better.

"Why then, do you make this special appeal, and beg of me so earnestly to buy Bonds?" you may ask.

Because, when you buy these bonds, the Government has the use of your money; can use it to win the war. If you from failure to understand the situation, insist that your money shall not be used by the Government, you are taking up a selfish attitude, lacking in both common-sense and patriotism.

It may be your money was not available when the last Loan Campaign was in progress. It may be you intended to buy a Bond, but allowed the lists to close before you got around to it.

Here is your chance. Go now to your Banker, ask him whether this little article contains the truth, ask him whether he has Bonds on hand, or will obtain one for you, then buy to the limit of your ability.

Whatever you do, whoever you are, and whatever your business, start working, saving, economizing, now for future Loans. There will be others, one probably early next year, for the end of the great struggle is by no means in sight.

The writer of these lines has nothing but the good of our beloved Country at heart—no one makes one cent out of your Liberty Bonds, but yourself. Remember, however, as one American in another has said you "remember this, please, no warning."

"We must get together for greater efficiency."
"We must save or perish."

UNCLE SAM WANTS STENOGRAPHERS

Both Men and Women At \$1000 to \$1200 a Year to Start

READ HIS LATEST MESSAGE
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DALLAS, TEXAS

Gentlemen: The Commission again requests that you assist it in bringing to the attention of the public the Government's urgent need for typewriter operators and stenographers and typewriters, both men and women, caused by the war. Literally thousands are required. All who pass the examination for the departments and offices at Washington, D. C., are practically assured of certification for appointment at salaries ranging from \$1,000 to \$1,200 a year. Advancement of capable employes to higher salaries is reasonably rapid.

Examinations for the Departmental Service at Washington, D. C., for both men and women are held every Tuesday in 450 of the principal cities of the United States, and applications may be filed with the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C., at any time. Those who fail to pass may be re-examined as many times as they wish until they attain an eligible rating. An examination which results in a failure will help to prepare the competitor for the next.

It is the manifest duty of citizens with this special knowledge to use it at this time where it will be of most value to the Government. Women, who are not prepared to take up arms in defense of the country, may find in this office work an opportunity to help the Government in a practical way. Persons who have not the required training are urged to undergo instruction at once, for the prospect is that the demand will continue indefinitely.

By direction of the Commission. Very respectfully,
JOHN A. McILHANEY, President,
UNITED STATES CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION.

Young men who want to go to France and cannot pass the physical test, or will not be called as soon as they like, can qualify at once at Draughon's to go as an army stenographer, or if they prefer to serve their country in a substantial and patriotic way without going abroad, they can join at once in the Draughon's Special Civil Service Classes guaranteed to qualify in the SHORTEST POSSIBLE TIME to stand the test for a position as stenographer or typewriter in the Government service.

NOTE CLIPPINGS CAREFULLY

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| <p>10,000 STENOGRAPHERS AND TYPEWRITERS NEEDED</p> <p>Special to The Dallas News. Washington. — Now that Uncle Sam has the young men of the country in training for military service, he finds that he needs 10,000 typewriters, both men and women, for the departments at Washington. The Civil Service Commission has notified all of its 3,000 boards of examiners that they should put forth their best efforts to secure these urgently needed workers. While examinations are now held weekly in 450 cities, the commission states that arrangements will be made to have an examination held at any accessible place where a small class of applicants can be secured. The entrance salaries range from \$1,000 to \$1,200 a year. Promotion is reasonably rapid to those whose services prove satisfactory. No appointments can be made to these or other positions in the Federal classified civil service unless authorized by the Civil Service Commission under the civil service law. Any information to the contrary is unauthorized. This is a splendid opportunity to serve your country. Full information may be secured from the secretary of the board of civil service examiners at the post office in your city.</p> | <p>WOMEN STENOGRAPHERS WANTED FOR CIVIL SERVICE</p> <p>Special to The Evening Journal. The United States Civil Service Commission has sent out an urgent call for stenographers and typists. War demands of the departments and offices at Washington are severely taxing the resources of the commission, a letter to the Dallas Public Library says. Women are especially desired. All applicants who pass the examinations are assured of certification for appointment. Salaries range from \$1,000 to \$2,000 a year, according to the proficiency of the individual. Advancement for capability is reasonably rapid, the letter says. Applicants must be at least 18 years old. Information and application blanks can be obtained from the United States Civil Service Commission at Washington, or from the secretary of the United States Civil Service Board of Examiners in St. Louis or New Orleans.</p> | <p>ASK WOMEN TO SERVE COUNTRY AS TYPEWRITERS</p> <p>By The United Press. Washington. — Dr. Anna Howard Shaw today urged America's girls to take up typewriters in defense of their country. "A vital need of the Government at the present time is for stenographers and typewriters," said Dr. Shaw, "and the woman's committee of the Council of National Defense has declared the state divisions asking them to spread the idea among the girls and young women." These jobs pay from \$900 to \$1,200 a year to start and are open to girls from 18 to 20, with good chances for advancement. Examinations are held throughout the country by Civil Service Commissioners every Tuesday. All needed information can be obtained at your local postoffice. Dr. Shaw's circular says: "The commission urges, on the ground of patriotism, that women who are trained for stenography and typewriting, or both, enter upon competitive examinations at once, and that those who have not such training immediately undergo instruction in exactly the same spirit that has moved them to attend classes in first-aid nursing, that is, the spirit of helpfulness."</p> |
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BUSINESS MEN NEED BOOKKEEPERS AND STENOGRAPHERS

Bankers, Wholesalers, Retailers, Railroads, Corporations of all kinds everywhere need and bid high for great numbers of Bookkeepers and Stenographers. In fact, never before has there been greater OPPORTUNITY for men not subject to immediate call to the colors, for boys under 21 and for ladies of all ages, who have already qualified, or will qualify SOON, by taking a course in a standard commercial training school like Draughon's in Dallas, where you secure a PRACTICAL EDUCATION in the SHORTEST TIME possible, at the LEAST EXPENSE and under the STRONGEST Commercial School Faculty in THE ENTIRE SOUTH-WEST. Dallas business men and business firms from out of Dallas call on us almost daily for bookkeepers, stenographers and office assistants. Our inability to supply this demand has compelled us to disappoint many. Can't you drop everything else and START NOW? It's the best opportunity you will ever have.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Never before have we advised young people to quit the high school and other literary institutions to TAKE A BUSINESS COURSE, but since, as you will note from the above letter, and clippings that Uncle Sam is so urgently in need of STENOGRAPHERS, and since young women and boys 16, 17, 18 and 19 years of age must take the places IN BUSINESS of the ones going to war, WE DO IT NOW!
Good positions await EVERY GRADUATE. In fact, ABSOLUTELY GUARANTEED. We can place boys and young ladies at \$75.00 a month now easier than we could place them a year ago at \$40.00. Write for our SPECIAL OFFER to two young people from each post office and from 25 different streets in Dallas. Call at office today if you wish to be one of this number, or address

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The Scharbauer Cattle Company finished shipping the Frank Norwood calves to their finishing station at Phoenix, Ariz., this week. They also had two cars of cows on the Fort Worth market this week.

C. M. Houston was with us from Stanton this week, on business. "Uncle George" McClintic and family are spending a few days on their ranch in the "Fighting Hollow" neighborhood.

P. M. Clayton, prominent stockman of Borden County, was a business visitor to Midland this week. He says cattle are holding up very well in his part of the country.

Clebert Fuller got his arm broken and wrist thrown out of joint this week, result of cranking a car. He is getting along all right.

J. M. Cowden & Son had a small shipment of cows on the Fort Worth market this week, which gave very good returns.

Avoid the rush and at the same time get the premium offered by the Miller Studio.

B. W. Floyd was in this week from his ranch 20 miles southeast. He is feeding a bunch of cows down there, though the major portion of his herd is on good grass in Gaines County.

Notice to the Public—All parties are hereby warned to keep out of my pastures, known as the Wolcott & Holmley ranches, located 18 miles southwest of Midland. Trespassers will be prosecuted according to law. C. P. Benedict. adv 5-4t

U. S. CROP REPORT VERY INTERESTING

Study of It Indicates That, With Economy, We Should Easily Feed Our Allies

A summary of preliminary estimates of crop production for the States of Texas and Oklahoma and for the United States, as compiled by the Bureau of Crop Estimates (and transmitted through the Weather Bureau,) U. S. Department of Agriculture, is as follows:

Corn—Texas: Production this year 78,900,000 bushels; last year December estimate, 31,100,000 bushels. Oklahoma: This year, 36,300,000 bushels; last year December estimate, 53,325,000. United States: This year, 3,190,000,000 bushels; last year December estimate, 2,583,241,000 bushels.

Wheat—Texas: This year, 15,252,000 bushels; last year December estimate, 13,200,000 bushels. Oklahoma: This year, 31,659,000 bushels; last year December estimate, 29,585,000. United States: This year, 659,797,000 bushels; last year December estimate, 639,886,000 bushels.

Oats—Texas: This year, 37,050,000 bushels; last year December estimate, 42,750,000 bushels. Oklahoma: This year, 26,680,000 bushels; last year December estimate, 15,080,000 bushels. United States: This year, 1,580,714,000 bushels; last year December estimate, 1,251,992,000 bushels.

Rice—Texas: October 1st forecast, 6,359,000 bushels. production last year December estimate, 10,575,000 bushels. United States: October 1st forecast, 33,256,000 bushels. production last year December estimate, 40,702,000 bushels.

Potatoes—Texas: This year, 2,760,000 bushels; last year December estimate, 2,000,000 bushels. Oklahoma: This year, 2,280,000 bushels; last year December estimate, 1,802,000 bushels. United States: This year 449,990,000 bushels; last year December estimate, 285,437,000 bushels.

Sweet Potatoes—Texas: This year, 6,550,000 bushels; last year December estimate, 7,120,000 bushels. Oklahoma: This year, 1,220,000 bushels; last year December estimate, 962,000 bushels. United States: This year, 84,700,000 bushels; last year December estimate, 70,955,000 bushels.

All Hay—Texas: This year, 543,000 tons; last year December estimate, 838,000 tons. Oklahoma: This year, 1,470,000 tons; last year December estimate, 1,470,000 tons. United States: This year, 91,715,000 tons; last year December estimate, 109,786,000 tons.

Apples (Agricultural Crop)—Oklahoma: This year, 54,000 barrels of 3 bushels; last year December estimate, 275,000 barrels. United States: This year, 59,200,000 barrels of 3 bushels; last year December estimate, 67,415,000 barrels.

Peaches—Texas: This year, 2,352,000 bushels; last year December estimate, 2,860,000 bushels. Oklahoma: This year, 1,150,000 bushels; last year December estimate, 230,000 bushels. United States: This year, 42,606,000 bushels; last year December estimate, 36,939,000 bushels.

Cotton—Texas: September 25th forecast, 3,255,000 bales; production last year (census), 3,725,700 bales. Oklahoma: September 25th forecast, 968,000 bales; production last year (census), 823,526 bales. United States: September 25th forecast, 12,047,000; production last year (census), 11,443,930 bales.

Kafrs—Texas: This year, 15,400,000 bushels; last year December estimate, 24,000,000 bushels. Oklahoma: This year, 23,000,000 bushels; last year December estimate, 8,000,000 bushels. United States (6 States): This year 73,400,000 bushels; last year December estimate, 50,340,000 bushels.

Prices
The first price given below is the average on November 1st, this year, and the second average on November 1st, last year.

Texas: Wheat, 203 and 164 cents per bushel. Corn, 155 and 88. Oats 76 and 53. Potatoes, 198 and 178. Hay, \$17.80 and \$9.70 per ton. Cotton, 26.2 and 17.7 cents per pound. Eggs, 37 and 27 cents per dozen. Oklahoma: Wheat, 192 and 171 cents per bushel. Corn, 141 and 88. Oats, 71 and 55. Potatoes, 166 and 182. Hay, \$12.90 and \$8.10 per ton. Cotton, 26.6 and 17.4 cents per pound. Eggs, 34 and 28 cents per dozen. United States: Wheat, 200.0 and 158.4 cents per bushel. Corn, 146.0 and 85.0 cents. Oats, \$11.7 and 49.0 cents. Potatoes, 128.0 and 135.7 cents. Hay, \$15.20 and \$9.99 per ton. Cotton, 27.3 and 18.0 cents per pound. Eggs, 39.4 and 32.2 cents per dozen.

PUBLIC SCHOOL NOTES

Reporters—Carolyn Caldwell, High School. Arthur Vest, Central Ward. Howard Hendricks South Ward.

The High school was very highly honored last Friday afternoon when Miss Pritchett sang a few selections for us. The program was of the best and was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

The medical inspection of the pupils has been introduced in the Midland schools and the pupils are visiting the dentists this week.

The following program will be rendered in the High School Literary Society Friday, Nov. 23:

Opening Song—Old Glory
W. D. Paddock and G. E. Oliver
High School Literary Society
Poem—Pelonius' Advice to Laertes
Shakespeare
High School Literary Society
Vocal Solo—Who Knows
Ball
Mr. N. Y. Henry
Reading—Heart's Ease
M. Cutting
Alicia Haley
Quartet—Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah
Hastings-William
Alvin Johnson, Audie Henry, Robert Crigler, Pope Snodgrass
Debate: Resolved, That the Govern-

Thanksgiving Specials

Next Week is Thanksgiving Week

We are thankful that we're still here and that we are able to offer our customers such wonderful bargains in these hard times.



Dresses---Suits

Our entire line of Dresses are placed on sale at **25 per cent discount**

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Gage Hats, Gold Medal Hats, Regina Hats, every hat on sale NOW---when the season is only half gone---at **half price**.

This is Bargain Week all through this store. Come and see the many Specials in every line. You will save money by spending your money here.

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ment Ownership of Railroads in the United States is Desirable. Affirmative—Virgil Shaw. Negative—Theodore Johnston. Piano Solo—Hungarian Dance No. 5 J. Brahms Faye Taylor

Locals—Thelma Estes

Closing Song—The Star Spangled Banner Francis Scott Key High School Literary Society

One of our former teachers, Mrs. Rowena Gentry, of Pecos, visited Central Ward this week. Mrs. S. C. Stiff was also a visitor in the same department. Mrs. R. T. McCarter, Mrs. O. A. Willingham and Mrs. J. Stokes visited South Ward last Friday afternoon.

Electric lights are being installed in South Ward.

The program rendered by the South Ward Literary Society last Friday afternoon was very interesting.

The following Thanksgiving program will be given by the Grammar School department of South Ward on Wednesday afternoon, Nov. 30, at 2 o'clock:

Harvest Song School Lord's Prayer School

Reading of the President's Proclamation Wesley Henry

"Welcome" Florence Manning

"The Origin of Thanksgiving Day" Howard Hendricks

"Landing of the Pilgrims" Ten Boys

"The First Thanksgiving Day" Betty V. Trammell

Thanksgiving Song—School

"How Thanksgiving Came About" Homer Ingham

"Why One Boy Got No Pie" Daie Roberts

"When the Frost is on the Pumpkin" Bratcher Ruyuan

"Pilgrim Song" Ten Girls

"Thanksgiving Turkey" Ruth Price

"A Thanksgiving Quarrel" Cora Mae Haley

"Tit For Tat" Mary Ethel Hill

"The Signs of the Times" Lora Eichelberger

We have a new subscriber this week in W. D. Johnson, of Kansas City. He was here for a few days on business. He and his brother have extensive ranch interests in West Texas.

Santa Claus says "Everybody seems to want a Victrola"



That's easily explained—it is just the thing for Christmas.

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