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GERMANS TO BE REGISTERED

The week of February 4 has been set aside by the department of justice for registration of the half-million unnaturalized Germans in the continental United States by police or postmasters in pursuance of President Wilson's alien enemy proclamation declaring this action as a means of minimizing the danger of enemy sympathizers in the United States. Earlier plans for administering the registration in the Eastern cities first and gradually extending it to the country were abandoned because of the fear that some German might avoid registration by moving from district to district. Registration will involve the gathering of detailed information concerning the business, relatives and habits of every German, together with his photograph and fingerprints. After registering he must carry a certificate card and may not change his place of residence without approval of the police or postmaster. Violation of the regulations will be punishable by imprisonment for the war.

WEDDING AT BITTER CREEK

About three o'clock Sunday afternoon in the school building at Bitter Creek a wedding ceremony was performed in which Mr. John Taylor of Wichita Falls and Miss Lilla Bardwell of the Bitter Creek community were the contracting parties. The ceremony was performed by Rev. C. A. Engle, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of this city.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Bardwell, who have resided in that community for many years. She was reared in this county and holds fast the friendship of a host of people both in that vicinity and in Sweetwater as well.

The groom is a brother of Mr. Zack Taylor of Sweetwater and is working in the oil fields at Wichita Falls.

For a few days the bridal couple are stopping in this city at the home of the groom's brother and will later go to Wichita Falls to reside. The Reporter joins the friends and relatives in wishing them a happy and peaceful journey through life together.

GAME OF DRAW VERY EXPENSIVE

San Angelo, Jan. 6.—The fascination of a "little game of draw" downtown Friday night knocked a big hole in the pockets of three young men Saturday morning when they "called" Recorder Jones for eighteen thirty-five, only to find that he held the winning hand.

The cops walked in on the little game when it was young, and it was said that not sufficient chips had changed hands to pay one fine assessed by the recorder.

The young men entered pleas of guilty and were given the minimum fine—\$10 and costs.

NEGOTIATIONS SUSPENDED

London, Jan. 7.—An official statement issued at Berlin yesterday and forwarded by the Zurich correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph company, announced that because of the Russian request to transfer the peace negotiations from Brest-Litovsk to Stockholm, the central powers had temporarily suspended negotiations with Russia.

HAPPENINGS AT CAMP TRAVIS

The bulletin issued regularly from the publicity department at Camp Travis today contains a copy of a letter addressed to the Reporter at Rockdale, Texas, in which the publicity officer is answering an inquiry received from the editor of that paper regarding the publishing of letters, written by the soldier boys to relatives or to the newspapers themselves. In reply the official states that the publishing of these letters is forbidden unless same have first been censored. He replies to the query at length and states that while everything is being done to keep the people informed and the boys satisfied, yet the saving of the life of one American soldier would repay the trouble of much caution. These letters are forbidden to be published because of information that might reach the enemy, even though the writer may be entirely innocent of any such intention.

We make mention of this matter merely that the public may know why letters from the boys are not sometimes published. We have previously mentioned this matter but do so again because of having received an additional letter regarding the matter.

Mentions Nolan County Boys
In the notes of the above mention bulletin we see a few mentions regarding some of the men who have gone to camp from this section. We copy them as follows:

"Private Walter D. Bennett of Nolan County is with his mother who is very ill.

"Corporal John McEntyre of Sweetwater is one the rifle range this week.

"C. C. Gardner of Nolan County took second place in the potato race at the Regimental Athletic Meet Tuesday.

"Nolan Barton of Nolan county ran in the potato race at Regimental Holiday Athletic Meet Tuesday afternoon.

"Sergeant Mike Russell of Nolan county is making a high score in the Grenade school.

"Corporal Herman L. Stafford was granted a furlough during the holidays for the purpose of visiting his wife in Sweetwater, Texas. Reports very pleasant trip to the West Texas city.

"Jesse J. Whatley of Sweetwater, Texas, spent four days with his parents at Ashland, Texas. He reports that he had a good time and reports with a happy smile to Ambulance company 360 for duty."

T. J. Walsh, late of Wichita Falls, has arrived to make his headquarters in this city. He will represent the Cudaby Packing Co. in the Sweetwater territory.

MEX. TROUBLE IN ARIZONA

Douglas, Ariz., Jan. 7.—The two American officers, Captain David H. Blakelock and Lieutenant George J. Lind, whose seizure Friday afternoon resulted in a fight between United States cavalrymen and Mexican customs guards, in which two of the latter were killed, one wounded and three taken prisoners, were captured on American soil, according to announcement today by Colonel George H. Morgan, Arizona district commander, who ordered an investigation immediately after learning of the affair.

"The incident is closed, so far as I am concerned," Colonel Morgan said. "It developed today that there had been frequent sniping by Mexican patrols at our men in the vicinity of the place where the fighting took place, but I did not know of this until today. I think the precipitate action of the soldiers in crossing the line to rescue their officers who had been seized on United States soil, partly was due to the enmity that the Mexicans have shown toward them.

No Prospect of Repetition
"It is a regrettable affair and there is no prospect of a repetition or of any further local difficulty."

According to the report of Captain Blakelock, the cavalry troop had left Douglas Friday for a practice march, most of the members being recruits, and at noon had camped eighteen miles east of here. Several hunting parties were formed, among them being one composed of Captain Blakelock and Lieutenant Lind. When the officers were within approximately 200 yards of the international line they suddenly were confronted by four armed Mexicans, commanded to halt and informed that they were prisoners. At the same time four more Mexican custom officers opened fire upon a party of three private soldiers who were rabbit hunting farther away from the line and about 300 yards from the officers. Two of the soldiers dropped to earth and returned the fire, holding their ground while the third ran to camp for reinforcements, who crossed the line to rescue the two officers.

HUN MUTINY LATE REPORT

Petrograd, Jan 7.—Wireless dispatches received here today declared that 25,000 German troops to the east of Kovno had revolted and entrenched themselves. The authorities, it was reported, were trying to cut off their food.

The dispatch purported to come from the deserters themselves.

There has been no confirmation of any such mutiny of German troops on the Russian front and the circumstantial details of the above apparently are such that it should be taken with reserve.

The wireless dispatch also asserted that all German troops up to the age of 35 had been withdrawn from the east front and were being sent to the west front—in contravention to the armistice signed with Russia. Many were said to be deserting and leaping for trains to escape.

CARRY PURCHASES HOME

One thing which the food administration is now trying to accomplish is the discontinuance on the part of customers of the practice of having small purchases delivered by the grocers, according to Thomas F. Owen, food administrator for the Fifteenth district of Texas.

"Too many people who buy small packages have the dealers deliver their purchase when they could take them along in their pockets," declared Mr. Owen. "It costs money for the merchant to deliver purchases, and this cost is paid by the consumer. Every small package should be carried home by the purchaser.

"Another thing the purchaser should do is to do all the buying for each day at one time. When orders for supplies are being placed early in the day the purchaser should neglect nothing. Everything for that day should be ordered so that the dealer may deliver it at the same time."

Mr. Owen declared that these things will have to be accomplished sooner or later and that the people should begin it now. Many consumers in the city, and in all other cities, he said, order three and four times daily when one order would suffice.—San Angelo Standard.

POSSIBLE AID IN DRY SECTION

Washington, Jan. 7.—The text of the telegram which John Skelton Williams, comptroller of currency, sent to Governor Hobby of Texas Wednesday in which the comptroller indicated there is no urgent necessity for Federal aid to drought-stricken portions of Texas, was given out by Senator Sheppard last night. The telegram in part from Williams to Hobby reads:

"Telegrams of 31st ultimo and 2nd inst. received. An analysis of the condition of national banks in 100 counties of the drought-stricken district of Texas on Nov. 20, 1917, shows total deposits of \$133,000,000 and available cash and credit balances are reported at over \$50,000,000, being approximately 38 per cent of total deposits. There are very few counties where percentage of available cash resources amounts to as little as 25 per cent, while some counties report available cash and credit resources above 60 per cent. It therefore appears that the national banks generally in this district are abundantly able to make loans to the farmers and other customers if they are willing to extend the credit.

"Percentage of available cash resources to total deposits is rather higher in the drought-stricken territory than in the entire state. As you are in touch with Dallas reserve bank authorities, presume they have advised you of their desire to assist as far as practicable. If it can be shown that the national banks in the drought-stricken district actually require additional funds to enable them to meet the needs of the district, I am sure that Secretary McAdoo would be willing to make special deposits in national banks on the usual security to give relief."

MAILING QUESTIONNAIRES TO NOLAN COUNTY MEN

OFFICER ARRESTS WOMAN

Deputy U. S. Marshal Baylor Crawford of Abilene passed through this city Sunday night, coming in over the Santa Fe and leaving for Abilene on the east bound T. & P. Monday morning for Abilene, having in his custody Mrs. Rosa M. Haywood, whom he had arrested at Post City Sunday. The charge against Mrs. Haywood is that of fraudulently collecting funds for the Red Cross. The complaint was filed with federal officials at Abilene and the arrest was made at Post City as stated above. She will be given a preliminary hearing today.

This is said to be one of the first offenses of this character which has occurred in the state.

VELVET BEANS GOOD FEED

The following information for the farmers and stockmen of West Texas concerning the shipping and feeding of velvet beans is furnished by the department of agriculture:

Feeding Velvet Beans

From practical experiments it has been shown that velvet beans are high in feeding value. In order to relieve the shortage of feed in the drought-stricken area of Texas shipments of velvet beans were made to this section by the bureau of markets as an experiment. The results from these shipments have been very satisfactory and velvet beans in the pod are likely to become a standard feed on the prairie.

Keeping of Beans and Meal

Bulk velvet beans in the pod, if mature and stored in a dry place, will keep indefinitely. The meal if carelessly milled should be fed within thirty days to sixty days, depending a good deal upon the weather. The keeping qualities of the meal will be increased if the beans are run through a dryer before milling and, in addition, ground very fine.

Freight Rates to Texas

The railroads west of the Mississippi river have recently announced an emergency rate on bulk velvet beans in pod to points in Texas from Mississippi river crossings. The railroads in the South and Southeast have issued a special tariff on velvet bean meal products but apply a higher rate on bulk velvet beans.

SWEETWATER CHAUTAUQUA

The first meeting of the guarantors of the 1918 Chautauqua Association will be held in the Court House at 8 p. m. Tuesday January 8th.

If you are one of the signers of this guarantee you should attend this meeting as matters of interest will be discussed.

Will H. Jobe, Ch.

M. H. Allmond of Colorado visited here Sunday.

The local exemption board mailed out Questionnaires to the following persons today:

Louis Stewart, Sweetwater
E. B. Hull, Sweetwater
Asa Forgay, Sweetwater
Oscar R. Norrie, Roscoe
Larce Oldham, Camp Verde
James H. Havins, Point
Mose Newman, Sweetwater
William D. Jones, Sweetwater
Joseph E. Davis, Blackwell
Clarence W. Lowrie, Sweetwater
James V. Kidwell, Ft. Worth
Emmett Armstrong, Hylton
David L. Collier, Lorraine
Bruce P. Cole, Mannette, Ariz.
Hugh Brandon, Blackwell
Floyd G. Dowell, San Benito
Elgin Payne, Abilene
Nathaniel J. Hicks, Roscoe
John W. Ragon, Dora
Roy Coomer, Brownwood
Jacob E. Johnson, Sweetwater
Richard H. Broadwell, Roscoe
Elvin E. Smith, Snyder
Marion V. Brownfield, Dora
James Mangess, Hylton
Ector K. Burge, Sweetwater
Roy Johnson, Sweetwater
Clifford H. Thornton, Ft. Worth
Richard L. Adams, Paducah
Milton T. McClure, Marlow, Ok
Joseph F. Holder, Sweetwater
Frank O. Howe, Sweetwater
Lawson Newsum, Sweetwater
Francis Freeman Signaw
John E. Costephens, Roscoe
Edward J. Worthy, Roscoe
Birdie Crumley, Hylton
Allie B. Mitchell, Roscoe
Meroyak J. Lafette, Tolar, N.M.
Guy Davis, Roscoe
Albert P. McGee, Sweetwater
Sidney B. Clark, Roscoe
Dwight L. Gray, Hylton
Lucian C. Mason, Sweetwater
Lucian V. Ferguson, Winchell
Robert H. Jordan, Blackwell
James G. Nisbett, Sweetwater
Leroy Spires, Roscoe
William J. Bagwell, Greenville
Roy O. Black, Temple, Okla.
John L. Puett, Sweetwater
Ira B. Key, Crosbyton
William A. Clark, Roscoe
Eugene Finney, Sweetwater
Herman Russell, Florence
Harley O. Puett, Sweetwater
James T. Collins, Sweetwater
Thomas B. Tooks, Sweetwater
Leslie P. Fry, Proffitt,
Ralph W. Boyd, Waynesboro, Tenn.

Questionnaires Nearly Finished

Secretary T. O. Cowan of the Local Exemption Board for Nolan County informed the Reporter man this morning that the last questionnaire would be mailed out tomorrow (Tuesday) night. The local board and the legal advisory board have been very busy since the beginning of this procedure of the exemption, or classification, work commenced and it will be a source of great relief when it shall have been completed.

Other Counties Finishing Up

From the exchanges received at this office we notice that others are winding up the work of mailing out these questionnaires. Soon all the men of this State and of the Nation as for that matter, will be properly classified. It will likely be a matter of only a short while until some of them will be called to the colors.

PERSONALS

Gathered Among the Comers and Goers of a Busy World

A. S. Arnett of Hamlin is a business visitor in the city today.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. G. Kempland of Winters were here for Sunday.

J. M. Shepperd of Hawley is here today.

A. A. Fields of San Angelo is here today.

H. W. Lee of Clyde is a business visitor here today.

A. L. Cole of Roby was here Saturday on business.

Mrs. Conley has accepted a position with Hubbards.

R. A. Musgrove is reported better today.

Jim Hanna is reported a little improved today.

Earnest Bryan is confined to his room with La Grippe.

R. L. Slaughter of El Paso was here Sunday enroute home from his ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. I. R. Trent of Eskota are spending the day in the city having dental work done.

S. W. Ray, E. O. Reid and C. C. Lowery of Fort Worth spent Sunday in the city.

Roy Dixon, of the local recruiting office, spent Sunday with friends in Colorado.

J. E. McCoy of Hereford is here today to book orders for feed of his own raising.

W. O. Thomas and little daughter, Apal, went to Hamlin Sunday to visit his parents for a few days.

T. Shipley returned from a business trip to Fort Worth this morning.

Mrs. J. C. Nichol of Colorado arrived in the city today en route home from a trip up the Orient.

Mrs. Annie J. Parker, county treasurer of Coke county, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. P. H. McMullan.

W. C. Miller, who has been visiting his sister, Mrs. M. D. Payne, left for his home in Abilene yesterday.

W. A. Wright, W. T. Cherry, Mason Rowls and Mrs. J. D. Rowls of San Angelo were Sunday visitors in the city.

Little Miss Mary Corbin Boorman, who has been spending her holiday vacation with her mother, Mrs. T. T. Boorman, left for Dallas Saturday night to resume her studies in the UruLine Academy.

H. E. Smith, C. H. Matthews and C. E. Hundley are a party of visitors from Post City in the city for the day.

Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Tow and little daughter of Bernecker are spending the day in the city shopping and visiting.

Mrs. J. M. Coker and Miss Jimmie Coker of Hamlin are spending the day in the city as they are en route home from Brownwood.

Mrs. T. Y. Adams, who has been spending several weeks visiting at Calvert returned home Saturday night.

Lee Lewis of the Nolan community was in town today on business and took occasion to call at this office and see about his subscription.

B. Parsons of Nolan, who has spent the fall at Mr. Pleasant selling and buying horses, was in the city Saturday. He has moved his family back to Nolan county.

Corporal Edgar Simpson, of Co. C. 111th Engineers at Camp Bowie, came in last night to spend a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Simpson.

Mrs. Frank A. White left Sunday night for Kansas City and other points in the east for a month's visit with relatives and friends.

Mrs. D. W. Dennis of Slaton and Miss Bessie Copeland of Roscoe spent Sunday night in the city enroute to the former's home at Slaton.

Miss Lula May Massie and mother, Mrs. Addie Massie, of San Angelo, are spending the day in the city en route home from a Christmas trip to Chicgo.

Mrs. T. T. Boorman accompanied her sister, Mrs. Bridewell, last Saturday night on the sad mission of taking her husband to the old family burying ground at Hope, Ark., for interment.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Smith of Camp Bowie have returned to Fort Worth after spending Mr. Smith's furlough with Mrs. Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Kelsey and sister, Mrs. L. A. Ritter, and with Mr. Smith's relatives in Trent.

County Commissioner I. S. Foelt went over to Roscoe today in the interest of the road building which is now being prepared for. From Roscoe west there is considerable work to be done in the way of removing fences and widening the road to meet the Government requirements. Considerable right of way will necessarily have to be bought from the landlords along that portion of the route.

W. H. Graham left yesterday for his home at Mt. Vernon after visiting in the home of his son, J. D. Graham.

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GEO. T. SPEARS, Owner and Publisher.

Entered as Second Class Mail at Sweetwater, Texas.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements will be carried in these papers upon the payment of the following fees, cash with order:

Daily and Weekly	
District offices	\$15.00
County offices	12.50
Precinct offices	7.50
Weekly Without Daily	
District offices	\$10.00
County offices	7.50
Precinct offices	5.00

The following candidates authorize us to announce them for the office under which they are listed, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary:

For County Clerk
MRS. FAWN HOWELL.

For Sheriff
JACK YARBROUGH, re-election
ED BARDWELL

For Tax Assessor
GEORGE SHEPPARD, reelection

For Tax Collector
GEO. B. HOWELL (re-election)

For County Treasurer
JNO. W. ROGERS

**WOODMAN CIRCLE
INSTALL NEW OFFICERS**

On Friday evening occurred the installing of the newly elected officers of the Woodman Circle at the W. O. W. Hall. A full attendance enjoyed the exercises, and also several visiting ladies from the Nolan Circle. The installation was followed by a most delightful social hour in which many impromptu speeches for the good of the order were made. Mrs. J. E. Wood, as Past Guardian, conducted the installation with dignity and dispatch and the following are the officers for the new year: Guardian, Mrs. O. B. Bonner; Past Guardian, Mrs. G. W. Outlaw; Clerk, Mrs. J. M. Bennett; Adviser, Mrs. Julia Hampton; Banker, Mrs. B. J. Stamps; Inside Sentinel, Mrs. Alex Davis; Chaplain, Mrs. Oscar Stamps; Attendant, Mrs. John Fultz; Assistant Attendant, Mrs. Fred Gotcher; Musician, Mrs. Murry Hubbard; First and Second Manager, Mrs. J. E. Wood and Mrs. J. L. Johnson.

**M. B. HOWARD BACK
IN SWEETWATER**

M. B. Howard arrived in the city again last evening from Cooper, Delta County, where he has been since September. Mr. Howard left here to work for A. I. Berman, the dry goods man who moved his stock of goods from this city about that time, placing a portion of it at Cooper and the remainder at Sulphur Springs. Mr. Howard came home because Mr. Berman had decided to close out his Cooper business and ship the goods to Sulphur Springs where he will operate only one store.

**REUNION OF
MAJORS' FAMILY**

Sunday occurred the complete reunion of the family of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Majors with only two exceptions that of John Majors, who is "Somewhere in France" and Mrs. Sam Majors who was kept at home on account of sickness.

The day was spent in pleasant conversation, music, kodaking, etc., interspersed with the consumption of fruits, nuts, candies and other good things too numerous to mention.

FILES BANKRUPTCY PETITION

Fort Worth, Jan. 5.—In a petition for voluntary bankruptcy filed Thursday in the United States court by Charles Leonidas Gass of Quanah, Tex., Gass declares himself a bankrupt even though he has assets valued by him at \$109,256.53 and liabilities not to exceed \$58,662.02. Gass claims that \$24,350 should be exempted in the final accounting.

NOTICE

Dr. Simmons of Abilene will spend the second and fourth Mondays in each month in Sweetwater. Office up stairs, in same building as Drs. Chapman and Dudgeon. Practice limited to diseases of the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat, and fitting glasses. 7-dw-1f.

**Work Begun
On White Way**

This morning workmen could be seen digging holes around the court yard preparatory to the installation of the white way which is soon to do its part in the lighting and beautifying the city of Sweetwater.

In talking with Mr. Frank A. White this morning we learn that twenty lamps are to be erected around the court yard. These lamps are to be of the same pattern as the one that now stands in front of the office of the West Texas Electric Co., which many have seen and admired for its beauty and for its service and giving light upon the street.

Mr. White states that this work would have been completed earlier had it not been for the delay in getting the necessary material, but he tells us that if no further delays of that character arise this work will be completed within the next two weeks.

No Overground Wires

Already the pipes through which the wires are to run have been placed underneath the street pavement thereby giving underground connection between the power plant and the court yard and court house. When finished all the poles and wires now in evidence on the public square and in the court yard will have been removed. The white way and the lights of the court house will all be connected by wires laid underground.

Will Beautify City

It is needless to add that the city will be very much beautified by the installation and by the removal of these poles and wires. In large cities nothing helps the appearance more than the removal of light and phone poles. It is also probable that some of the small and scrubby trees will either be rooted up or replaced by more stately growths. Nolan County is going to have a pretty court yard and square as well as a handsome court house.

**QUAST COST
JEWELRY SALE**

UNTIL THE 15TH OF JANUARY I AM GOING TO SELL EVERYTHING IN SILVERWARE, CUT GLASS AND JEWELRY AT COST, AND WHEN I SAY COST I MEAN COST.

THERE WILL BE NOTHING RESERVED BUT GOODS THAT HAVE RESTRICTED PRICE—LIKE BIG BEN CLOCKS AND HIGH GRADE WATCHES THAT HAVE RESTRICTED PRICES.

Victrolas and Records not Included in Sale

NOW IS THE TIME TO GET YOUR SILVERWARE, CUT GLASS OR CHINA AND JEWELRY AT WHAT THEY COST ME.

FIFTEEN DAYS ONLY. COME IN AND SEE. CONVINCE YOURSELF. WE WILL SHOW YOU, AS THEY DO IN MISSOURI.

P. T. QUAST

Your Auto Troubles

We have re-opened the Southern Highway Garage and are prepared to render you the best of service.

With Expert Workmen and splendid equipment we can fix your car promptly.

We handle the best quality of Gas and Oils and solicit a share of your patronage.

Open Day and Night Car Storage \$3.50 a Month.

Southern Highway Garage

E. C. KING, Mgr.

"PURE TENNESSEE OPEN PAN SORGHUM"
THIS MOLASSES IS GROWN ON A GRADE OF LAND CELEBRATED FOR PRODUCING A VERY FINE FLAVORED ARTICLE.
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THE SWEETWATER SEED & GRAIN COMPANY,
SWEETWATER, TEXAS.
"Everything
In Seeds, Feeds, Groceries,
COAL"

Wanted--Good Customers for 1918
When it comes to Feed come to Us. We have in Stock
Johnson Grass Hay "Doreo" Mixed Feed (best made)
Prairie Hay "Animo" Sweet feed, best made
Cotton Seed Cake Jewell Dairy feed (sweet)
Cotton Seed Meal Red Breast Flour
Corn Chops Perfection Flour
Corn Meal Cream Meal
Shorts Sacked Maize
Bran Maize Chops
Corn Peanut Hay
Oats Timothy Hay
In fact if it is in Feed we have it. Will appreciate your business.
Browning Grain Co.
Phone 128

PLUMBING
if of the greatest importance and should be periodically examined to make sure that it is perfect. The health of the family demands that bath-rooms be in perfect order, with no chance of sewer gas or foul air existing. We are sanitary Plumbers and see to all such precautions. We put in the best materials, too, to ensure durability.
Monday & McMurry
Opp. P. O. Phone 334

Happy New Year
We wish to thank our many friends for their patronage and loyalty during 1917, and promise each of them the same good service and fair treatment in the future.
A Happy and Prosperous 1918 is the wish we extend to every man, woman and child.
J. P. MAJORS
Jeweler & Optician

Mary Miles Minter
in
"Annie For Spite"

The popularity of Mary Miles Minter continues to grow. She is today one of the most beloved little girls in pictures.



Mary Miles Minter
American-Mutual

HELEN HOLMES
IN
The Railroad Raiders
Episode No. 14

SWEETWATER THEATRE
TO-NIGHT

Admission only **10 and 15c**

TOMORROW
Baby Marie Osborne
IN
"The Little Patriot"

CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR RENT.—Six room house to good people, on south side.—See P. T. Quast. Phone 113. 23-tf

WANTED.—Gentlemen roomers two blocks west of square on W. N. 3rd St. very convenient. Cheap rates, Apply at Mrs. Beryle's home place.

STRAYED OR STOLEN.—From T. & P. Stock Pens 2 Bay Mares about 15 hands high, branded H on left shoulder, S on left hip. Liberal reward for any information leading to recovery.—J. S. Irving, Agent T. & P. Ry.

FOR RENT.—The unexpired lease, with or without the furniture, in the eight room residence that I now occupy. This is a beautiful home with many conveniences.—See Wight & Harp or S. R. Neblett. 1-tf

NOTICE.—Dr. R. F. McLarry has made the discovery that all diseases are caused by poison. Hence to take the poison out removes the cause and nature heals itself. Come and have yourselves cured of whatever disease you have. I will furnish the medicine to cure any case of fever in town or country for twenty dollars. You will have to furnish conveyance in country. McNeal Wagon Yard, Sweetwater. 26-26d-4w

WANTED.—A girl to do general house work in family of two.—P. O. Box 735, Sweetwater, Texas. 7-2td-1tw

LOST.—One pedal and starting sprocket for Indian motorcycle between town and round house. Return to Reporter office. 7-3tp

WANTED.—Position as stenographer by experienced young lady in law offices. Capable handling other work. Best of reference. Box 215, Sweetwater, Texas. 5-3tp

FOR RENT.—Nice four room cottage with modern conveniences, close in. Phone 71. W. A. Perry. 5-3t

FOR RENT.—Furnished rooms for light house keeping; close in, all modern conveniences.—Phone No. 387. 7-3tp

"My Country First," 6 reels, at the Lyric Jan. 10. Every true American should see this picture.

Miss Bernice Rose, a trained nurse of Roswell, New Mexico, is here today with her sister, Miss Bettie Rose, en route to Alexandra Sanitarium at Abilene for an operation for appendicitis.

No. 260.
THE STATE OF TEXAS
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Nolan County—GREETING:

Mary Elizabeth Moore, Administratrix of the Estate of W. F. Moore deceased, having filed in our County Court his Final Account of the condition of the Estate of said W. F. Moore, Deceased, together with an application to be discharged from said Administration.

You are Hereby Comanded, That by publication of this Writ for twenty days in a Newspaper regularly published in the County of Nolan you give due notice to all persons interested in the Account for Final Settlement of said Estate, to file their objections thereto, if any they have, on or before the February Term, 1918, of said County Court, commencing and to be holden at the Court House of said County, in the City of Sweetwater on the 18th in February A. D. 1918, when said Account and Application will be considered by said Court.

Witness E. E. Roy Clerk of the County Court of Nolan County.
Given Under my Hand and seal of said Court, at my office, in the City of Sweetwater this 29th day of October A. D. 1917.

E. E. ROY,
Clerk C. C. Nolan Co.
By Fawn Howell, Deputy Clerk.
A True Copy, I Certify:
JACK YARBROUGH,
Sheriff Nolan Co.
By T. B. Thompson Deputy Sheriff
1-20td.

SANTA FE MAN IS ARRESTED

While passengers on Santa Fe train No. 89, Paint Rock to Sterling City, chafed in their coach in the local railway yards at the delay occasioned by his arrest, Wylie W. Shortt of Sterling City, locomotive engineer, was arraigned in the United States court in San Angelo late Saturday afternoon upon a charge of having violated the espionage act. A complaint was filed here by Deputy United States Marshal Baylot Crawford of Abilene upon instructions from the district attorney's office at Dallas charging Shortt with having "unlawfully and wilfully made certain seditious and traitorous statements, in this: 'That he hoped every merchant vessel carrying a gun would be sunk; that he hoped every automobile carrying a United States flag would burn up; that he would rather work for the kaiser than for Woodrow Wilson,' and other statements of like effect."

Engineer Taken From Train
Deputy Marshal Crawford was at the passenger station when the train pulled in from Miles Saturday afternoon at 5:20. He was armed with the complaint and a warrant authorizing Shortt's arrest. The possibility of delaying the train caused considerable activity among the railroad men and it was after six o'clock before the engineer appeared at the federal building.

Before United States Commissioner Jesse Couch, he waived preliminary examination, and bond for his appearance before the federal grand jury at its next regular session here in April was fixed at \$1,500. When the complaint was read to him Shortt seemed greatly surprised and promptly denied the charges against him.

Immediately he began telephoning to friends in order to secure bondsmen, while Santa Fe officials, doubtful of the result, secured another engineer. In charge of J. H. Springer, acting as engineer, the train departed for Sterling City at seven o'clock about one hour late. The switch engine fireman was pressed into service as Springer's helper in the cab.

The first two San Angeleans summoned declined to sign Shortt's bond, pleading that they feared the effect upon their business standing because of the seriousness of the charges against the railroad man. At eight o'clock however, sureties were secured, Sam Crowther and George E. Webb signing the paper that procured Shortt's release.

It was understood last night that the alleged remarks causing Shortt's arrest were made at Sterling City, his home. Another report, however, was that the engineer had spoken disparagingly of the government while on duty. Mr. Shortt formerly resided here; he is one of the veteran engineers of the Santa Fe system and is well known throughout the state. He said Saturday night that he could not imagine how there could be a basis for charges such as those filed against him.—San Angelo Standard.

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PROGRAM FOR MEETING

The Self Culture Club will meet with Mrs. J. S. Irving on Thursday, Jan. 17. Mrs. J. T. Griswold will be leader. Following is the program:

1. What countries were first involved in this war?
2. What countries are lined up in the conflict at present? What countries have broken relations? What countries remain neutral?
3. When did the war begin originally?
4. When did the U. S. enter the war?
5. How did this war come to America?
6. Is she violating the principles of her own Monroe Doctrine?
7. What progress is being made in the Russo-German Peace treaty?
8. Does the military conquest of Jerusalem mean more than the conquest for Christianity?
9. Why was the declaration of war so untimely for us?
10. From the Allies standpoint, tell why it was the physiological moment for America to intervene in the war?
11. Give several reasons for the Italian drive?
12. Give a brief statement of the issue that is splitting Russia?
13. How long has the Bolshevik been a political force?
14. What peculiar advantages does the Government gain by taking over the railroads?
15. How much money has the Red Cross raised since the war began?
16. Tell something of the other activities of the Red Cross? The Xmas drive?
17. What are some of the most important accomplishments of the food conservation movement?

NOTICE

The Reporter is always glad to give space, at all times, to the different church societies and clubs of the city, but hereafter only those reports which are sent in by the reporters of these organizations will be published. This is the best, most satisfactory arrangement to all concerned and we ask all clubs and societies to please take notice. If you have no reporter, we suggest that you elect one at once in order that your meetings may be reported correctly. Use typewriter if possible, if not write plainly. All articles will be published the following day after they are received. 7-3t Geo. T. Spears.

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RESOURCES

Loans	\$208,221.82
Stocks and Bonds	6,000.00
Banking House, F. and F.	28,500.00
Interest in Guaranty Fund	3,000.00
Cash and Exchange	243,647.74

Total

LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Surplus	75,000.00
Undivided Profits	1,887.67
Deposits	312,481.89
Borrowed Money	None

Total

The Above Statement is Correct, G. E. BRADFORD, Cashier.

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The Lyric Theatre takes pleasure in announcing the screening on Friday Jan. 11 of "Shall We Forgive Her," the newest World-Picture Brady-Made in which June Elvidge and Arthur Ashley are the stars. The production is the screen version of the famous stage play which enthralled so many thousands of people. It is a fast moving attraction and is filled to the brim with thrilling and interesting incidents.

R. V. McDavid of Hamlin spent yesterday in Sweetwater with his family.



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TORNADO HITS LOUISIANA

Leeville, La., Jan. 7.—A tornado lasting forty minutes, hit the center of this city Saturday night and demolished twelve residences and damaged other buildings. Mrs. J. J. Franklin was caught under the falling walls of her home and probably fatally injured.

The tornado came from the northwest and within a few minutes had done its work and then gradually died out. Searching parties were immediately organized and up to midnight Mrs. Franklin was the only one found in the debris. Others may be found in the ruins. The Nona Mills company office building, nearly in the center of the business district, was unroofed. Broken plate glass littered the streets. Two fires broke out immediately after the storm subsided, but were brought under control after two residences were destroyed.

Messrs Robert Buok and N. H. Wishert of Royston, Fisher County, were in the city today on business and to meet a relative of the latter gentleman. They tell us that while corps in that section were distressingly short yet they made considerable feed and some cotton.

MEN SPEAK AT ROSCOE

Roscoe, Jan. 7.—Judge Geo. T. Wilson and Mr. Clyde Payne, Cashier of the First National Bank at Sweetwater, came over to Roscoe Saturday afternoon and spoke at the opera house in the interest of the War Savings Campaign which is now being prosecuted with much vigor. Shortly after 3 o'clock a large crowd gathered at the opera house, composed mostly of men, to hear what these gentlemen had to say regarding the Thrift Stamps and War Certificates.

Mr. Payne Talks

Immediately after the house was called to order Mr. Payne took the floor and, after stating that he was not a public speaker, proceeded to make a few remarks regarding the Thrift Stamps, the filling out of the cards furnished when a purchase of same is made, thereby increasing the Thrift Stamp to a War Saving Certificate. He told that the Government could float a loan and thereby raise the money necessary but that it was the desire to have everyone participate in the matter of winning the war. He fully explained all the details of the stamp sales.

Judge Wilson Speaks

Judge Wilson spoke at length and did not confine himself to the War Saving Stamps and Certificates but discussed the various phases of the war. At the outset he explained that Mr. Payne was the County Chairman of the War Savings Campaign and that he was the district chairman—both of them serving in that capacity without any remuneration whatever but strictly for patriotic purposes.

It was a strong, forceful presentation of the war that he gave our people, and the large audience which he had gave a respectful hearing. In the course of his speech he emphasized the fact that every person should not be content to do his or her "bit" but that everyone should do all that was possible for them to do in winning the war. He spoke of our people as being "the most prodigal nation of the world" in the matter of economy, and stated that the education of saving would be good for the people themselves aside from helping the Government in the present crisis. He advised the young men in playing society to wear a 25c cotton necktie instead of paying a large sum for a silk one. In strong terms he denounced the autocratic rule of the central powers and expressed regret that the United States had staid out of the war two years before stepping in and doing her duty. He read from prominent Berlin citizens, matter that had been written before war was ever declared, showing that the war had been planned for years and that Germany had intended to become a world power. He mention the reign of terror that had been put into force in Belgium and that the Turks had imposed upon the defenseless Armenians. In conclusion he mentioned the Thrift Stamps, soliciting women and children to help in the War by purchasing these stamps.

Remarks By Mr. Payne

Mr. Payne rose and requested that all who would do so come forward and get some literature which he wished to put in circulation of the public.

Many Came Forward

A goodly number of citizens came forward and took some of the pamphlets that were given out and all expressed appreciation of the services rendered by the visiting gentlemen.

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MILITIA OFFICERS REPORT JAN. 15

Austin, Jan. 7.—A great many persons in Texas interested in securing commissions in the national guard will be deeply interested, according to Adjutant General James R. Harley, in the following instructions, which the adjutant general has received from the chief of the militia bureau at Washington, D. C.:

"In order to utilize the experience of staff, retired, and reserve officers and former officers of the national guard, not already in active service, the secretary of war has approved the following:

"1. The application of such officers on forms furnished by the adjutant general of the state, which clearly state the conditions will be considered promptly at the militia bureau, and those whose records present evidence of presumptive value for service with troops, will be notified by the chief militia bureau, by telegraph, to report on Jan. 15 at one of the six training camps named. In case more applications are received than camps can accommodate, selection will govern.

"2. At the conclusion of the camps, successful candidates will be commissioned in the national guard in grades justified not exceeding that of major, subject to age-for-grade limitations."

The adjutant general of the state, said General Harley, will furnish each applicant with necessary blank forms and any recommendations from his office that appear to be just. Applications after completed will be sent direct to the bureau of militia affairs.

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The plant is to still be operated as the Sweetwater Vulcanizing Company and will be conducted under the personal management of T. R. Bonner.

Judge J. H. Beall left Sunday night for Post City on legal business.

SEEKING POSITIONS WITH GOVERNMENT

The San Angelo Standard states that eight young people from various sections of West Texas last week stood examinations there under the civil service examiner. Among this number seeking employment at the hands of Uncle Sam were seven young ladies and only one man. In the applicants of Saturday there was one young lady from Sweetwater. The party to whom they refer was Miss Ruby Payne, lately employed by the exemption board of Nolan County. However, we understand that Miss Payne has accepted a position in the County Clerk's office of Crosby County and will soon enter upon those duties.

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