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56 XMAS PACKAGES SENT "OVER THERE"

There were 56 Christmas boxes for the soldiers sent from this town. These boxes were sent only to the Expeditionary Forces and perhaps represents pretty well the number of boys overseas.

These Christmas boxes will bring joy to the hearts of the boys over there. Into these boxes has been placed by loving hands not only articles that are needed by the soldiers, but in them is carried the love and good wishes of the homefolks, and that will be the most valuable feature to the soldier boys who are so far away from home.

Thanks to the Red Cross, who have worked so faithfully and have been untiring in their efforts to see that every Haskell County lad received a Christmas box to cheer his spirits on Christmas Day.

GLASS IS NAMED TO SUCCEED McADOO

Representative Carter H. Glass of Virginia was nominated by President Wilson to be Secretary of the Treasury.

Glass will go into office on Dec. 16, under an agreement with Secretary McAdoo, whose resignation was accepted by the President to take effect upon the appointment and qualification of his successor.

No changes in policy of the treasury are to be expected at present if at all, is announced.

The principal task ahead relates to the continued financing of the war and McAdoo already has announced plans for at least one more large bond issue in the Spring, the bonds to be of short maturities.

The nomination which would have been prepared by President Wilson before his departure Tuesday night was sent in from the White House upon word from Glass that he would accept the post. Glass' resignation as a member of the House, to which he has just been re-elected after eighteen years of service, will be submitted in a few days.

OZARK TRAIL MARKED FROM HASKELL TO EL PASO

B. M. Whitaker, route manager of the branch of the Ozark Trail from Lawton, Oklahoma, to El Paso, returned Monday from the western metropolis, and informs us that the entire route from Haskell to El Paso has been marked. Mr. Whitaker left Haskell a few weeks ago for the purpose of marking the road to the border. The work on the other end of the road will probably be taken up in a few days.

Ed Eike accompanied Mr. Whitaker on the trip and assisted in the work. On their return trip they were forced to stop off at Van Horn for a couple of days on account of tire trouble and while there took advantage of the opportunity of going deer hunting. They report the capture of a big buck and claim that they have the hide and horns as evidence of their success. However, we refuse to vouch for the veracity of this statement, and we are going to keep our fingers crossed until we see the hide and horns, accompanied by an affidavit that they did not come in possession of the above named evidence with good old U. S. coin from some of the natives.

WILLIAMS OF WHIT CHAPEL DIES FRIDAY

Leslie Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Williams, of the Whit Chapel community died last Friday morning of influenza. Services were held at the Whit cemetery in this city Saturday afternoon at four o'clock, conducted by Rev. J. H. Edmonds of Rule.

The deceased was 25 years of age, besides his parents he leaves a wife and two children, and also two sisters, Mrs. E. J. Davis of this city and Mrs. M. Stanton of Hedley.

The Free Press joins the many friends of the family in extending condolence to the bereaved.

HASKELL HIGH COMPETITOR FOR W. TEXAS CHAMPIONSHIP

The Haskell High School Eleven is a competitor for the West Texas championship in football. The team has a few games and has scored 99 points in its previous 7 games. J. J. Keator, principal of the City School, says his team will be glad to play any high school team in West Texas.

Dear Reader, You're Wanted on the Phone



McADOO SUGGESTS RAILWAYS BE KEPT FIVE YEARS YET

Continuance of government control of railroads for five years or until January 1, 1923, was recommended by Director General McAdoo in a letter to the Chairman of the senate and house interstate commerce committees.

This would permit a fair trial of government operation, said Mr. McAdoo, and eliminate the unsettled condition under which the railroad must be operated during the next year or two, if their status is not changed materially by legislation.

RESIDENCE IN EAST HASKELL BURNS FRIDAY

On last Friday evening about six o'clock, fire destroyed the home of Uncle Tom Pierson in the east part of the city. The house and contents was a total loss.

Uncle Tom was seen to leave the house a few minutes before the fire was discovered. Pierson was arrested by Deputy Sheriff M. S. Edwards, just as he was preparing to board the 6:45 train. Examining trial was held and his bond was set at \$300.00 to await the action of the grand jury. Immediately after he made bond he left for Stonewall county.

Uncle Tom was tried for insanity last week and was acquitted.

WHITE AND GARBER BUY RANGER MERCANTILE CO.

J. M. White and J. F. Garber have purchased the \$25,000.00 stock of dry goods and clothing of the Ranger Mercantile Company of Ranger. The deal was closed last week and they have been busy invoicing and arranging the stock for re-opening this week.

Both Mr. White and Mr. Garber are well known business men of this city and their many friends join the Free Press in wishing for them the very best of success in their new location.

MRS. IDA DOZIER FIRST WOMAN TO PAY POLL TAX

The honor of being the first woman to pay a poll tax in Haskell county goes to Mrs. Ida Dozier of O'Brien, according to the records of the County Tax Collector.

Mrs. Dozier was in town the first of the week and while here took advantage of the opportunity to pay her poll tax and become a voter in the elections that will be held the coming year.

J. E. Ellis, who formerly lived in this city, but now of Fort Stockton, is in the city this week.

CHRISTMAS ROLL CALL RED CROSS OPENS DEC. 16TH

As the Christmas time approaches the Red Cross again sounds the Roll Call for renewal of its membership.

It asks more than renewal—the support of everyone in a great work that is still to be done. On Christmas a year ago, 22,000,000 Americans had answered "Here!"—a significant showing for an organization which in 1916 numbered only 22,000 members. This thrilling answer to the summons was not only an endorsement of the traditional principals of the Red Cross—"Humanity and Mercy"—it was notice to all the world that the plain American people who had to stay at home were behind the war, heart and soul.

To the worn and weary allies, who for three years had borne the heat and burden of the conflict, this far cry of a great people's comradeship was more heartening than the promise of armies and ships of war.

Today, when the battlements of brute force have crumbled, when the light of victory glorifies the horizon that has long been dark, the Red Cross looking forward to a greater need and a greater labor, asks for a new and even more earnest answer to its Roll Call. It asks every person in our citizenship to add a voice to our message of faith and good will.

In this instance it is not mercy that is being pledged, but it is the normal support of every American everywhere throughout the world.

Universal response to this Christmas Roll Call means universal support and continuance of those vast functions which the Red Cross has performed in the relief of suffering and in aid of ultimate victory.

Such response will mean the further transmutation of the spirit of the American people into virile action in the cause of world-wide relief.

Let Haskell and Haskell county be one hundred per cent, and let us do it the first day of the campaign.

If you know of some person or family who are not financially able to become a member of the Red Cross, would it not be a fitting gift to take out a membership for them as a Christmas present?

Let every citizen of Haskell be ready to answer the call on Monday, December 16th, and make Haskell County a One Hundred Per Cent County.

Died

C. D. Long received a telegram Monday announcing the death of Mrs. Anna Laura Votaw, nee Rutledge, on December 6. Funeral services were held in Fort Worth on December 7th. Mrs. Votaw is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Rutledge, who formerly lived in this city.

MRS. HARDY GRISSOM DIES THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Our entire town and community was shocked Thursday afternoon when it was learned that Mrs. Hardy Grissom had died of heart failure at 2:30. Mrs. Grissom had been ill for several days with influenza, but it was generally known that she was better—in fact, she had been able to sit up in her room for the past two days and everyone believed that she was getting along nicely.

As we go to press funeral arrangements have not been made and a more extended account will be given next week.

TEACHERS INSTITUTE POSTPONED INDEFINITELY

The Haskell County Teachers Institute, which was to have been here next week has been postponed indefinitely according to information given out by Mrs. Ed Robertson, County Superintendent of Public Instruction.

The reason for doing so, is on account of the city officials placing a ban on all public gatherings in the city—in an effort to check the spread of the influenza which has broken out anew all over the country. There are probably more cases in the county at this time than at any period during the past year.

The institute will probably be held at some later date if conditions change.

SOLDIERS' LETTERS MUST BEAR RETURN ADDRESS

Under restrictions issued by Postmaster General Burleson, no letter mail will be accepted by the postoffices in the United States for delivery to members of the expeditionary forces without a return address on the envelope. The order was issued at the request of the War Department so that proper disposition may be made of mail reaching France for members of the expeditionary forces who have returned to the United States.

T. W. TEASLEY OF STAMFORD DIES DECEMBER 4th

T. W. Teasley, superintendent of the Public Schools of Stamford for the past two years, died at his home in that city on Wednesday, December 4th, after a short illness. Interment was made in Highland Cemetery, Stamford.

Mr. Teasley came to Stamford from Clarksville. He is known over the entire state as a good school man, and his death leaves a vacancy in the schools which will be hard to fill.

G. C. Newson of Lenders was in the city the first of the week on business. He formerly lived in Weinort.

THREE AEROPLANES VISIT HASKELL WEDNESDAY

Haskell had the honor of a visit of three aeroplanes on Wednesday of this week. Officers in charge of the machines were Lieut. L. M. Bishop, Lieut. W. T. Agee, and Lieut. C. E. Ehrenberg, and Mechanics Shoop, Ylatt and Sgt. Wood. They were on their way from Post Field, Fort Hill, Okla., to Barstow, Texas. The object of their visit was to determine possible aerial mail lanes, and to gather any information that might be of use to the Government in future aerial navigation. The type of the machines were training and scouting biplanes. They left Haskell at three-thirty p. m. Thursday for Sweetwater.

OVER 7,000 SOLDIERS ARRIVED ON WEDNESDAY

New York welcomed home as heroic sons of the nation 7,740 more soldiers, sailors, marines and aviators representing virtually every state in the union arrived in New York Wednesday on six large transports from Europe.

The tales these men told about one another were narrations of Americans high courage on French battlefields, on the open seas, and in the air above France and England. Hundreds of the men, maimed for life by wounds received in some of the war's heaviest fighting, were hurried to hospitals and the others were sent to camps where they will be demobilized. Some had left America as scarcely more than boys but they came back as men either wounded or sound. The wounded included soldiers who walked with crutches when their ships sailed from Europe and who made exalted by their home coming tossed their props aside and declared themselves "cured" as if by the miracle of their return. Here was a man with a jaw shot away—and happy in his expectation of rejoining his wife and children—there was a man with both feet gone but glad, he said that he had served his country. Other men had met with a different misfortune: these were unable to discern the torch which the statue of liberty and there were others who could not hear the port whistles and the air raid sirens which screeched their welcoming demonstration.

TEXAS TO NAME TWO VICTORY HUTS

Texas will have the privilege of naming two victory huts of the Y. M. C. A. in France because of the record made in raising the quota of United War Work Fund.

Texas was one of the first ten states to subscribe its quota and stood third highest among the states in the per cent of over-subscription. Each of these accomplishments carried with it the privilege of naming a victory hut.

The state's quota as first assigned was \$1,680,000, but the state committee accepted a quota of \$3,230,500, based on the Liberty Loan quotas. The amount raised in Texas was \$3,770,000.

PETER RADFORD DIES AT MADISON, WIS., DEC. 2nd.

Peter Radford, age sixty, of Fort Worth, one of the best known agricultural men in the United States, died suddenly at Madison, Wis., Monday night, December 2nd. Mr. Radford was a former president of the Farmers Union of Texas. He went to Madison with Henry Pope to attend the meeting of the American Society of Equity a similar organization to the Texas Farmers Union.

COUNTY JAIL EMPTY FOR FIRST TIME IN 3 YEARS

We do not know whether it is the effects of the drought that has prevailed over this country in the past or whether it is the strong personality of Billy Sunday that has invaded our midst—but we have been informed by the proper authorities that the county jail is empty for the first time in several years. We suspect that we can contribute this to the fact that Uncle Sam has transported a number of the Ethiopian members of the colored sect to the training camps. Anyway, Haskell county has the honor of boasting that her county jail "am empty"

HENRY MAPES OF THE ROBERTS COMMUNITY DIES

Henry Mapes of the Roberts community died at his home Tuesday morning. He was 27 years of age and leaves a wife and two children, besides other relatives who live in Haskell county.

The Free Press join the many friends in extending sympathy to the bereaved family.

ATTENTION

Look at the expiration date on this issue of your paper and see when your time expires. If it reads 12-15-18 it means that your subscription will expire on December 15, 1918—Sunday. We will discontinue all subscriptions in the next few days that have expired during this month and we hope that you will give us your renewal before your time is out, so that you will not miss a copy. We regret to lose any of our subscribers and hope that you will send us your renewal NOW while you think about it. Don't delay. Thank You!
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HASKELL TEACHER AMONG MISSING

The casualty list of last Sunday carried the name of Guy Taylor of Albany among the missing. Mr. Taylor resigned the principalship of the Foster school in this county and offered his services as a volunteer in the United States army. When urged by the county superintendent to remain in the school until the close, he replied: "Should I remain here until that time I might not reach France till next winter." Within a few weeks after volunteering, it was announced that he had safely arrived "Somewhere in France." He was an enthusiastic and a successful teacher. We can easily imagine that he fought the Germans with the same zeal that he taught. We hope that he is among the captured and that he may return to Texas as a teacher where men of his type are badly needed.

ROAD WORK IN PREC. 1 EXPECTED TO BEGIN SOON

Preliminary arrangements are being made as rapidly as possible to begin the actual work on the roads in Precinct No. 1. The members of the Commissioners' court have been going over the proposed roads during the past week with a view to locating the main arteries to be built. Sickness in the families of the Commissioners and deaths in two of them have delayed the work to some extent.

A civil engineer has been engaged to make a preliminary survey, but he is also down with the influenza, which is also one of the causes of delay.

Judge Kinnard is making a thorough investigation of the different proposed routes and the needs of the different communities in the precinct, so that the Commissioners Court can act intelligently when locating the particular roads to be worked first. The Court is in touch with another civil engineer and the public can rest assured that everything is being done that is possible to begin work by the first of January.

PAY YOUR WAR SAVINGS STAMP PLEDGE BY CHRISTMAS

Pledges to buy United States Government War Savings Stamps aggregating millions of dollars are due for liquidation this month. While all pledged persons have until December 31 to meet these obligations to the Treasury Department, it is being urged by the War Savings Committee, with State headquarters at Dallas, that Texans pay their pledges before Christmas.

"Our fighting men had for their slogan 'out of the trenches by Christmas'; loyal Texans will do well to follow this slogan, changing it to 'all War Savings Stamp Pledges paid by Christmas'," says Louis Lipsitz, State Director. "We pledged the president our savings and their investment in War Savings Stamps. The best possible gift that the people of Texas can give President Wilson is the knowledge that they made these investments before Christmas."

The official proclamation calling for the prompt payment of pledges has been issued by the Government.

Tom Russell, manager of the Jones, Cox, Co.'s store at Ranger, was in the city the first of the week.

WHEN UNCLE SAM

asked for lower food prices he wasn't looking our way. We have always been noted for low prices. Just compare this list—

Cotton Ball Soap, per bar.....	5c
Matches, per box.....	5c
5 one-pound packages T. T. Coffee.....	\$1.00
English Walnuts and Almonds, per pound.....	40c
One dozen cans best Hominy.....	\$1.30
Irish Potatoes, per pound.....	3c
14 bars P. G. White Laundry Soap, 10c bars.....	\$1.00
Saltine Crackers, 2 boxes for.....	25c
Mrs. Tucker's Lard, large bucket.....	\$2.40
2 cans Prince Albert Tobacco.....	25c
Onions, per pound.....	4 1/2c
One pound can Pork & Beans.....	10c

The High Quality of our groceries and our reasonable prices makes this store the favorite with every thrifty housewife.

R. J. REYNOLDS

North side Square :-: Haskell, Texas

AMERICANS FIGHT GERMS IN ITALY

Tuberculosis Experts Sent by Red Cross Will Use Latest Methods.

Included in the unit of medical and lay workers which the American Red Cross has sent to Italy are a number of the leading anti-tuberculosis workers of the country, sponsored by the National Tuberculosis Association. Dr. William Charles White, who heads the unit, is medical director of the Tuberculosis League of Pittsburgh, and Dr. Robert H. Bishop, the assistant director, is secretary of the Anti-Tuberculosis League of Cleveland as well as health commissioner of that city. Dr. John H. Lowman of Cleveland, a former president of the National Association, is another prominent member of the unit. Others are Dr. Robert G. Patterson, secretary of the Ohio Tuberculosis Association; Seymour H. Stone, until recently secretary of the Massachusetts Anti-Tuberculosis League; Dr. Gertrude Sturges, secretary of the New York City Association of Tuberculosis Clinics, and N. A. Nelson, superintendent of the Cincinnati Anti-Tuberculosis League.

These men and women, at the request of the Italian government, will co-operate with that country in applying the latest approved American methods for combating the spread of tuberculosis. Some of them will be charged with the establishment of clinics where people of all ages may be examined and treated; others will devote their attention particularly to preventing tuberculosis among children, and a third group will develop health publicity and education. It is to the credit of the anti-tuberculosis campaign in America that it has produced specialists of such international standing that Italy wishes to call them into her service temporarily. But the campaign will be continued unremittently here at home. Its support during the ensuing year will be derived not as heretofore from the sale of Red Cross Christmas Seals, but by a special appropriation made by the Red Cross to the National Tuberculosis Association. Tuberculosis workers on their side will line up with the Red Cross in its Christmas Roll Call for universal membership.

When you have anything you want moved phone R. W. Tyson.



"OVER THE TOP" with Sgt. Arthur Guy EMPEY (Himself)

Supported by Lois Meredith, James Morrison and An All-Star Cast

Wednesday Jan. 1, '19 25 and 50c Dick's Theatre

VITAGRAPH'S MARVELOUS PHOTOPLAY OF EMPEY'S WORLD-FAMOUS BOOK

News has been received here of arrival of a fine boy at the home Mr. and Mrs. W. T. (Bill) Fisher Comanche. The young gentleman made his appearance on November 18th. Mr. and Mrs. Fisher formerly lived in Haskell county.

Mrs. Wylie Pennel of Athens is this week the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Crow.

UPON SACRIFICE OF U. S. DEPENDS FATE OF EUROPE

NEW TASK OF FOOD ADMINISTRATION INVOLVES THE SHIPMENT ABROAD OF EVERY TON OF FOOD THAT CAN BE PUSHED THROUGH AMERICAN PORTS.

Review of How We Saved During War, With No Great Surplus, Gives Clue As to How We Will Save Through Will to Prevent European Famine.

To the voluntary service and sacrifice of the American people must be attributed the continued health, strength and morale of the allied armies and the people behind the lines who have been bearing the brunt of our war.

Upon this same spirit of service and sacrifice will depend Europe's fate in the months to come. In the past year we have carried out an export program the magnitude of which is almost beyond comprehension. But with the new demands which have come from the nations liberated from German oppression our exports must be almost doubled. We must ship to Europe every ton of food that can be pushed through our ports.

Before the war this country sent about 6,000,000 tons of food to Europe each year. In the past crop year we sent 11,820,000 tons. As a war program we had obligated ourselves to export 17,500,000 tons in the present year. Now that we are called upon to keep starvation from the liberated nations this figure must be increased to a minimum of at least 20,000,000 tons. **Kept Up a Living Ration.**

Without our help it would have been absolutely impossible last year for the allies to maintain a living ration. Since our entry into the war we have been contributing largely to the support of one hundred and twenty million people whose normal food supplies have been cut off, whose production has fallen almost to the vanishing point, whose fields have been devastated by Germany. The food exported from the United States in the past year has been sufficient to supply the complete ration of twenty-two million people.

It is hard to grasp the magnitude and significance of the assistance which has been lent the allies by the patriotic, voluntary service of the American people. The food we sent abroad last year would have been sufficient to feed one-fifth of our population. And this was done in spite of the fact that we entered the year with short crops. Our surplus was practically nothing. An overwhelming proportion of the food that left this country last year was saved out of the normal home consumption of our own people.

Overcame Great Obstacles. In spite of difficulties met in internal transportation and shortage of ocean tonnage, our food exports last year amounted to a figure that a few years ago would have been unbelievable. Even the most optimistic element of our population faced with anxious consternation the prospect which opened before us with the beginning of the 1917 harvest year.

We entered the past crop year with a wheat supply which gave us only 20,000,000 bushels available for export. When the crop year ended we had sent 141,000,000 bushels of wheat to Europe. The American people had saved out of their normal consumption 121,000,000 bushels.

A survey of export figures shows that the conservation of flour brought about by the wheatless meals, wheatless bakers, substitution in our kitchens and bakeries, enabled us to send to our armies and the allies 33,000,000 barrels of white flour—wheat figured as flour. Had we exported only our visible surplus, we would have been able to ship less than 4,500,000 barrels. **Answer to Rhonda—Wheat.**

Before December 1 our surplus had gone overseas and an additional 36,000,000 bushels had been taken from the stock reserved for home consumption and added to the surplus already shipped to the allies. It seemed hardly possible that we could bring our total exports above 100,000,000 bushels by July 1. But in January the late Lord Rhonda, then British Food Controller, cabled that unless we could send an additional 75,000,000 bushels he could not take responsibility for assuring his people that they would be fed. The American people responded by sending 85,000,000 bushels of wheat, saved from their home consumption between the first of the year and the advent of the new crop.

By October 10, 1918, we had already shipped 65,960,305 bushels since July 1. Absolutely the only limitation upon our wheat exports since the latest harvest has been the scarcity of ocean tonnage.

When figures began to show definitely that the people of the United States were actually reducing their consumption of foods needed abroad, the Food Administration was told that it was comparatively easy to bring about conservation of staple necessities, but that it would be far more difficult to accomplish an actual decrease in the use of luxuries. The doubters took sugar as an example, and declared that it would be practically impossible to bring our consumption of sugar down to a point that would meet only the food needs of the people.

Sugar Ration Observed. The fact that the Food Administration has twice been able to relax the voluntary sugar ration is in itself proof that the ration of two pounds per person per month was generally observed throughout the country. This

WHITTS CHAPEL

This community was saddened Friday by the death of Lester Williams, who had been sick with the Flu about twelve days. He was the son of Uncle Whit Williams. He leaves a wife and two small children, mother, father and two sisters to mourn his loss. We extend to them our most heartfelt sympathy.

While at play on the schoolground Tuesday morning, Little Jewel Josslett happened to the misfortune of getting her arm broken.

Three of Mr. Piland's family are suffering with the Flu this week.

Mrs. Haley spent Friday night at the Montgomery home.

Webb Stark and sisters of Haskell visited Lela and Della Montgomery Sunday.

Vida Welch visited in this community from Friday until Sunday.

Mr. Johnson and family are still suffering with the Flu.

Mrs. Parsons visited Mrs. Piland Wednesday.

Noble Gardner visited Eva Kendrick Saturday.

Mrs. Gilleland spent Saturday night in the Post community.

Lela and Della Montgomery and Vida Welch visited at the home of Mr. Stark Saturday.

Mr. Watson made a business trip to Haskell Monday.

Mrs. Gilleland and boys of Post visited in this community Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Pearl Williams and children visited at Mr. Montgomery's Sunday.

Chara Davis was a visitor at town Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. Ella Williams is spending a few days with her brother at Haskell this week.

Two Girls.

County Tax Collector C. D. Long received a telegram from his son, Lieut. Brevard Long of Camp Gordon, Ga., the first of the week stating that he had been honorably discharged from the service and would return home in a few days. He will first visit relatives in North Carolina.

Joe Jones and wife of Rule were visitors in the city Sunday.

J. W. Mason, Justice of the Peace of Rule, and a good one, too, was a business visitor in the city Monday.

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank our dear friends and neighbors for their presence and loving words of sympathy and comfort when and since we received the sad news of the death of our son and brother, Joseph B. Davenport. We pray God's richest blessing on them.

Mrs. Sallie Davenport.
Ruth Davenport.
Victor Davenport.
O'Brien, Texas.

Judge A. J. Smith, who has been confined to his bed for several days with pneumonia, is reported to be improving.

PIANO FOR SALE—Worth \$450.00. In splendid condition. For sale cheap. See Mrs. W. B. Ellis. 31p

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THIRD YEAR IN HASKELL

A. F. Woods Jewelry Store

John Brook returned to his ship at Key West, Florida, Sunday night. He is one of Haskell county's blue-clad representatives in Uncle Sam's fighting forces, and spent a short furlough with relatives here.

Richard Sherrill returned Tuesday night from Austin. Richard enrolled in the S. A. T. C. at the University of Texas, and has been in training for the past three months.

Jason Smith, who has been in the employ of the Western Union in Louisiana, returned home Tuesday night.

Do you get up at night? **SANOL** is surely the best for all kidney or bladder troubles. **SANOL** gives relief in 24 hours from all backache and bladder troubles. **SANOL** is a GUARANTEED REMEDY. 50c and \$7.00 a bottle.

FOR SALE—Cheap, 280 yards of three wire fence with good cedar post. S. G. Dean.

WHITMAN

After quite a long absence I will send in a few dots from our burg.

There are a number of cases of the Flu in this community, but most all of the victims are improving.

Miss Lucille Taylor and Pansy Newsome visited Miss Audrey Lain Sunday night.

Ergal Johnson has gone to Ranger.

Jim Perdue has moved to his place near Rochester.

Perry Huff has moved to his place in the sand, and Oscar Hutchins lives on the place vacated by Mr. Huff.

Floyd Hutchins came in from Burk Burnett last Friday with a case of the Flu, but is improving nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Treat were called to Merkel Wednesday to the bedside of Mrs. Treat's uncle, Dr. Williams, who is very low.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Bledsoe visited Mrs. Zula Bledsoe Sunday.

Mrs. Bob Glenn and Mrs. Ed Fouts of Haskell visited Mrs. Treat Monday. Busy Bee.



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No amount of culture will make a fat man stop snoring in his sleep.

Do some Christmas shopping at the War Savings counter. They make excellent gifts.

Representative Mann showed himself a man by stating that factional strife should not be permitted to interfere with the President's mission.

After last winter none of the weather prophets seem willing to risk their reputation by trying to forecast this winter's weather.

Germany would do well to remember that by dallying in complying with the armistice terms, she is making things harder for her at the peace table.

After you spend an hour or two trying to devise a suitable punishment for the ex-kaiser you simply have got to give it up and confess that it can't be done.

Washington is said to have thrown a dollar across the Potomac, but you must remember that a dollar went further in those placid days than they do now.

America and the Allies have had some knotty problems to solve during the past year, but they were easy compared to those with which they are now confronted.

America never had to sing hymns of hate, they simply left the teaching of hate toward Germany to the Huns themselves who by their atrocious acts taught us better than hymns could. "I hope that when peace is signed between Germany and the Allies, America will remember that she and Germany were once friends."—Ex-Crown Prince Friedrich Wilhelm. ONCE is the right word, Friedrich.

All through the Christmas shopping season you are always worried about what would make an appropriate gift for this or that relative or friend. Why not decide on a War Savings Stamp as the gift and help Uncle Sam at the same time.

As an argument for being allowed to display the red flag of Socialism in American cities, Socialists say that their party in Germany won the war for the Allies. However, they don't mention how hard the Socialists in America worked to win the war for Germany.

A Chicago woman whose father lost his life on the Lusitania has applied for a warrant against William Hohenzollern charging him with murder. It wouldn't be difficult to indict him on such a charge, but no doubt her efforts will avail her nothing. The peace conference will take care of the ex-kaiser's punishment.

W. A. (Billy) Bolling has purchased the plant of the Munday Times and resurrected the paper after a suspension of several months. The first issue under the new management is full of live advertising as well as news. Mr. Bolling formerly worked on the Times and is no stranger to the people of Munday and surrounding country. He is a good newspaper man and if the business men of the town will give him the support he deserves, we are sure that he will give their little city a newspaper that would be a credit to any community. Here's wishing you success, Billy, and may the Times live long and prosper under your management.

IN HIS RIGHTFUL PLACE

When the United States entered the war there were a number of Senators and Representatives who put patriotism above partisanship and gave the President their loyal support throughout the war, but there were also some who were not broad enough to do this and forgetful of the fact that we were engaged in war and that a united nation was necessary to the success of our arms, refused to submerge partisanship. This disturbing element lost no chance to publicly flay President Wilson before the eyes of our enemies and allies alike and now that the war is over and the problems of the peace table make President Wilson's task all the harder, they are going after his scalp with even greater vengeance. The people have grown tired of their unjust criticism, but have become resigned to it and expect nothing else from such as they as long as a President of the opposite political faith of the disturbers is in power.

When President Wilson announced his intention of attending the peace conference a number of his professional critics immediately proceeded to take a fall out of him. They said that his action was unprecedented. That may be, but so was this war and so are the problems of the peace conference. They seem to forget that it was President Wilson who laid down the terms upon which world peace is to be based and that these terms were agreed upon by the Allies. The "fourteen points" of President Wilson's peace terms are general in nature and their application can only be decided upon at the peace conference. Who is more able to expound those terms than the man who wrote them? Instead of trying to discuss over the cables the fundamentals of the peace conference, as his critics would have him do, President Wilson very wisely decided to see personally that a wrong interpretation was not placed on the terms laid down by him and is therefore going to France where the security of democracy and posterity is at stake, to insure it.

His critics are forgetful of the fact that President Wilson is more familiar with the situation abroad than any other man in the United States and if he deems his presence at the peace conference necessary, it is a forgone conclusion that there is right where he ought to be. He is more nearly the representative of the American people and their ideals than any other living man. Criticized throughout the war, events of the past few weeks have vindicated President Wilson's war policies and the American people and the Allies have great faith in his diplomacy and leadership. He has proved himself right and his critics wrong. Wars may be lost on the field and a victory gained at the peace table, and President Wilson by going to France intends to see that his peace terms are properly interpreted and the victory for American ideals is safeguarded.

The Old Town Clock

The old town clock which has for so many years watched over the old burg—watched its struggles in the early youth of the town; felt the aspirations and dreams of the dwellers therein as they longed for the day when the old town would become a city prosperous.

The old clock which for years has been kissed by the fragrance of the summer breeze, and chilled by the winter's blast. The old clock which has registered the days of prosperity and adversity, of joy and sorrow of each individual. The old clock which has tolled out the old years and ushered in the new years in the past—no longer does it greet the passerby with the glad tidings of high-tide, but its chimes are silenced.

The old clock has been "ailing" here of late and was just as likely to strike 23 when the hands pointed at one as it was to strike one. Strangers visiting our city and hearing the clock perform would usually consult their watch, again look at the clock, and invariably their hands would go to their hip pocket to see if the half pint bottle was more than half empty and wonder if they had the "D. T.'s"

The old clock, silent—with its hands pointing to the east to welcome the blush of the early dawn, looks down upon us with the sad, sad face of an Egyptian mummy.

Old Town Clock, we do not know what ails thee, whether you have become fashionable and taken the "Flu" or whether you have turned Bolshevik and refused to run. Old clock, that has ticked-tocked out and in the many county officials—we are prone to wonder what disposition of you the new county officials will see fit to make.

Arkansas Products

Tomatoes; Green Tomatoes for Pickling; No. 1 Eating Apples, Dried Quartered Apples, Sorghum Syrup (Home Made), Cane Seed for planting and sowing. Selling direct to consumer. Write for prices. Sample 25 cents. BERN CARLOCK, Farmer, Springdale, Arkansas.

Arthur Edwards has been confined to his bed for the past few days. Same old story—Flu.

The Kaiser's Prayer

I have given you trouble and terror,
Strong torture of body and soul;
I have made you, through blunder and error,
Pay warfare's retributive toll.
I have brought you defeat's obligation
To add to the griefs that you bear,
But pity me, men of my nation,
My life from its penalties spare

I have shed the brave blood of my brothers,
My hands are the red hands of Cain;
I have broken the hearts of our mothers—
Their husbands and children are slain.

I have sown desolation and sorrow,
The Fatherland reeks with my sins,
But save me, I pray you, tomorrow,
When Justice its reaping begins!

I have killed both my comrades and strangers,
I have murdered on land and on sea;
No soul has been safe from the dangers
Suggested or ordered by me.

I have tried to kill all who defied me,
That I might rule land, air, and wave,
But oh, let not this be denied me—
My body I beg you to save!

—Lurana Sheldon in the New York Times.

Ranger Captain Killed

B. N. Hall, former captain of Texas rangers was shot and killed in front of the Bexar county court house Tuesday morning at 11:35 o'clock. Anton and Charles Hazelwood, ranchmen of Mineral Wells are in custody charged with murder as a result of the shooting.

The trouble between the two brothers and Captain Hall is said to have been caused by a dispute over a note said to have been given to Captain Hall by a dead brother of the Hazelwoods, Hall was 62 years old.

Notice of Trustee's Sale

State of Texas,
County of Haskell.

Whereas, by virtue of authority vested in me, as trustee named and appointed in a certain deed of trust executed and delivered to me on the 29th day of March, A. D. 1917, by Jno. F. Ivey, for better securing the payment of four promissory notes made by Jno. F. Ivey payable to the order of Clay Newton bearing date March 20, 1917, three of said notes being for \$200.00 each, and due respectively Dec. 1, 1918, Dec. 1, 1919, and Dec. 1, 1920, the remaining note being for \$758.50 and due Dec. 1, 1921, all of said notes being given in part payment of the tract of land hereinafter described, and in each of said notes it is provided that the interest thereon is payable annually, and that failure to pay said note, or any installment of interest thereon, when due, shall, at the election of the holder, mature all of said notes, and each of said notes it is further provided that an additional sum of ten per cent upon the principal and interest of the same shall be added thereto if not paid when due and the same is placed in the hands of an attorney for collection each note also providing for interest from date until paid at the rate of eight per cent per annum and there being no interest paid on any of said notes up to this time and the said note which became due Dec. 1, 1918 remaining unpaid, Clay Newton, the legal holder and owner of all of said notes, has declared them all due and payable and has placed them all in the hands of H. G. McConnell, an attorney, for collection and the same are now all past due and unpaid, principal, interest and attorney's fees, I have been requested by the said Clay Newton to enforce said trust, I will offer for sale, between the legal hours thereof, to-wit: Between the hours of ten o'clock a. m. and four o'clock p. m., at public auction, to the highest bidder on the first Tuesday in January A. D. 1919, the same being the 7th day of said month at the Courthouse door in the town of Haskell, in Haskell County, Texas, the following described property, to-wit:

Part of the S. C. Robertson league and labor survey, abstract No. 352, Patent No. 61, Volume 10, and being Share No. 10 set apart to Marion Robertson in the partition of the estate of S. C. Robertson, deceased, by decree of the County Court of Bell County, Texas, May 30, 1891, recorded in Volume H, Page 113 of the minutes of said court, said land being described by metes and bounds as follows:

Beginning at the S. E. corner of said Robertson survey; thence west with the S. line of said survey 746 varas; thence N. 1339 varas; thence E. 746 varas to the E. B. line of the original survey; thence S. with said line 1339 varas to the place of beginning, containing 177 acres of land, and being the same land deeded to Clay Newton by J. T. Honeycutt and wife, Katie Honeycutt, by deed recorded in Book No. 47, Page 245 of the deed records of Haskell County, Texas, with all the rights, members and appurtenances thereto in anywise belonging.

Witness my hand this 11th day of December A. D. 1918.

H. G. McConnell, Trustee.

THE WAR IS NOT OVER

THE COUNTRY NEEDS ITS PATRIOTS NOW MORE THAN EVER BEFORE

Because several essential matters have yet to be attended to. For one thing we have not yet made peace with Germany, and there is no telling what amount of police work may have to be done. Germany has no proper government, and revolution and opposition may be met with at any time. An army of over two million men and about a million men belonging to our sea forces have to be paid, fed, transported and then returned home. Enormous government contracts for supplies cannot be repudiated but the goods must be paid for in full. Our great ship-building activities designed to make us at least the second greatest carrying power in the world must be carried out at a cost of many millions of dollars, to the ultimate advantage of every business man in this country. Our allies, if they need money, must have it.

To draw back now and to refuse to spend money would be to place ourselves in the position of a business man who having sunk an enormous amount of capital and effort in a business, quits just at that moment when the business is on its feet and is about to pay dividends.

HOW THE GOVERNMENT WORKS.

It is really not a question of whether or not we desire to spend more money—we MUST do it. A word of explanation as to the manner in which the United States Government collects and spends money will make this matter perfectly clear. When the war started, the Government contracted for goods to the value of many hundreds of millions of dollars without having the money to pay for the goods. The Government then borrowed from the banks on Short Term Certificates of Indebtedness the necessary money to keep matters going and then repaid the banks out of the First Liberty Loan. This method of finance has been maintained ever since; the Government always being in debt. It is a fact that nearly all of the Fourth Liberty Loan money has already been spent and very soon the Government will be spending the money which you must supply in the shape of subscriptions to the Fifth Liberty Loan.

GOOD TIMES COMING.

We hope, and with good reason, that after the close of the war, we shall find ourselves with an enormous international bank account, with the people of Europe owing us possibly five hundred million dollars yearly in interest alone on our Loans to them. That we shall find ourselves with a magnificent merchant fleet which will carry our goods promptly and cheaply to every part of the world, and that the demand for our manufactured products will be so great that we shall have an era of prosperity unknown in the history of the nation. It takes capital to conduct business and now is the time for every sensible business man to put by money for use during that period of activity and prosperity that we look forward to in the near future.

PATRIOTISM AND GOOD SENSE.

There is no better way of taking care of this money than by investing in Liberty Bonds. Every dollar so placed is a splendid investment and the placing of it constitutes an act of the truest patriotism.

THE MOST IMPORTANT POINT OF ALL

Is the fact that all of our sacrifices, including those of our noble dead in France will have been in vain unless we finish the task which we have undertaken. We have poured out our blood and treasure in order that we may ensure to ourselves and the world freedom, democracy and happiness. Having won the right to institute these principles on a world wide basis, shall we now draw back at the very moment when our object is within our grasp? It is unthinkable.

READ WHAT THESE MEN SAY.

These men representative of what is best in the business life of the community.

Hon. W. P. Hobby,
Governor State of Texas.

"I am apprehensive that the citizens of this State might overlook their present and future obligations to the Government incident to victory. It is hoped that holders of Liberty Bonds will not place them immediately on the market, but that they will continue the conduct of their business affairs on a war basis holding themselves in readiness to further finance the Government and to refrain from doing any act which might impair the value of outstanding Government securities."

Jas Callan,
President of the Cattle Raisers Association of Texas,
Menard, Texas.

"The country is not restored to normal conditions by the signing of the Armistice, nor is the drouth-stricken area restored to normal by reason of recent rains. The people should be implored to preserve their patriotism, economy and industrial endeavors to the end of supporting our Government and themselves."

Hon. W. P. Hunt,
Governor of Arizona.

"The people of this State and elsewhere will speedily come to a realization that the sacrifices the allies have made will be unavailing unless the reconstruction is in accordance with true democratic principles. Those principles necessitate a direct responsibility by every individual in the Government, a responsibility which can only be met by continued retrenchment including the holding of all war securities, foregoing luxuries until every soldier has returned to his home and above all it is necessary to maintain production wherever possible and to convert war industries into normal peace activities. The sacrifices that have been made must not be followed by domestic chaos."

Hon. R. L. Williams,
Governor State of Oklahoma.

"Citizens must not make the mistake of thinking the war is over. Remaining tasks of the war—demobilizing of armies and returning to normal industries of millions of soldiers and laborers in war factories—demand patriotic co-operation from every citizen. Additional Loans are to be floated. It is unpatriotic now to throw bonds on the market needlessly. The next few months of effort will be the real test of patriotism. Real patriots will obey the requests of their Government leaders just as cheerfully as they obeyed them a year ago."

Senator Morris Sheppard,
Washington.

"Absolutely essential that it be everywhere understood that sacrifices and restrictions are needed to keep the Government properly financed and our soldiers clothed and fed. Any attempt at this time to throw off all restrictions and resume normal conditions might have serious effect on our entire economic and business foundations and fatally impair our ability to make certain the glorious fruits of our great struggle for human Liberty."

Hon. R. G. Pleasant,
Governor of Louisiana.

"It is incumbent upon us as alert citizens and lovers of liberty and national stability to uphold the Government financially and in every other way just as we did during the active period of the war. There should be no heavy dumping of Liberty Bonds upon the market nor plunging in any manner along business lines. Let our people be conservative, careful and frugal, that we may be prepared to meet any eventualities."

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CONTEST FOR THE JUNIORS.

A special feature during the Red Cross Christmas Ball will be a Junior Red Cross Four-Minute Men Contest on "Why You Should Join the Red Cross." The contest will be similar to those previously conducted by the Division of Four Minute Men of the Committee on Public Information. It will be held on Friday, December 20th, in all of the School Auxiliaries, and friends and parents of the pupils will be urged to attend.

Join



DEEPEST INCREASING IN OIL DEVELOPMENT HERE

Much interest is being manifested in the deep tests for oil that are being drilled in Haskell and surrounding counties.

Work was resumed this week on the Kouri well on the Ballard ranch after being shut down for several days on account of being unable to obtain a crew.

The report has been received here that the Sun Company has a showing for probably a 50 or 75 barrel well in their test 9 miles southwest of Throckmorton.

The well that is being drilled near Munday is reported to have a good showing between 1300 and 1400 feet. They have moved their boiler back and are preparing to test the sand to see if they have the fluid in paying quantities.

Following is a letter received by W. W. Ashby of the Pleasant View community from his brother, Richard Ashby, in France. He sailed for France the first of May, 1917. The letter was written three days after the armistice was signed.

U. S. N. Base Hosp. No. 5, Brest, France, Nov. 14, 1918. Dear Brother and Family:

I haven't received a letter in a long time that I appreciated and enjoyed as much as yours. That good old American spirit and patriotism in every line and it makes me feel good to know our loved ones, although thousands of miles away, follow us closely with their now pleasant, now anxious thoughts and prayer.

But now it is over and some homes are happy and some are sad, but PROUD. I am sure that all should be glad to see this bloody struggle at an end.

I am glad that our family was represented from the very beginning, and am glad that I was able to do our bit.

For some time I was doing duty on destroyers, but came to the hospital the day peace was declared. Am certainly glad that I was able to do my bit to the last minute. I wasn't on destroyers very long, but long enough to learn that they are the boys in blue who deserve a world of credit—a finer and more determined class of men I have never seen before.

Some day when we are together I can show you some interesting pictures and explain how it was done.

I am glad and proud to be able to say that I was one of them. Of course, brother, you remember that I was operated on last February for a stomach trouble and am now back in the hospital with the same old trouble.

I won't be here long this time, as they are going to send me HOME soon. I am just resting up a bit now and expect to leave within the next two weeks.

I will write you as soon as I reach New York. Expect to be home by or before Christmas, so you had better plan on coming down and make it a family reunion. I have already written Harry and John and told them to get the shotguns and bird dogs ready and don't you think they should go rather easy and at least save the covers on the home place for our benefit? But Harry is very thoughtful and I am sure he will as he has already informed me that there would be nothing left undone to show me the time of my life when I returned.

Now there are only two places left to go to—London and the other is Paris, but there isn't a chance now, so I must close for this time as I have so many letters to write to you. In conclusion will add that I have some very interesting German souvenirs and pictures that are good to look at so you had better come down Christmas.

Love to all from your brother, Dick.

JOE. ALLEN

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Secretary Baker Urges Letters With "Home-touch" For the Boys

WAR DEPARTMENT WASHINGTON

My dear Mr. Fosdick

The eyes of the world are upon our soldiers overseas today not more for what they have done than for what they are now called upon to do.

This means that we may not expect soon to have them all with us here and to greet them face to face. The postponement of their homecoming will be often uppermost as well in their minds as in ours.

I believe that among all the influences which may be focused upon this object, the strongest and most far-reaching is that which emanates from home letters, and I therefore urge the mothers, fathers, wives and sisters of our soldiers overseas to express themselves earnestly in their letters as their share in seeing that the high standards which America represents both here and abroad shall be constantly upheld.

Cordially yours,

Newton D. Baker Secretary of War

Mr. Raymond B. Fosdick,

Chairman, Commission on Training Camp Activities.

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TURN THE BOYS' THOUGHTS HOMEWARD, SAYS FOSDICK, ASKING CO-OPERATION

Washington.—(Special.)—Just before leaving for France to superintend the demobilization activities of those organizations which recently took part in the United War Work Campaign, Raymond B. Fosdick, Chairman of the Commission on Training Camp Activities, was interviewed with regard to the present situation of our overseas forces.

"The problem presented by the gradual demobilization of more than two million men three thousand miles from home is one which will tax all our social resources," said Mr. Fosdick. "It is above all a morale problem, and it must be faced as such, with the full co-operation of families and friends here in this country, if it is to be solved successfully. Every one who has a son, a brother, must help."

"While the war was on our boys were fully occupied; they were still filled with the spirit of adventure, looking forward rather than back. Now, however, the fighting is at an end. They are going to remain, most of them, many months doing work which will be neither exciting nor particularly interesting. They will get lonesome, bored and terribly homesick."

"The \$170,000,000 raised in the recent United War Work drive is to be used precisely to bridge over this period by providing recreation and amusement. But no amount of mere money expended in such a way will be enough. What these boys really want is not diversion, but human interest and sympathy. These things expressed in letters from home will warm their hearts and create a home atmosphere around them, even while they are absent from the family circle."

"Such letters may be a very necessary sheet anchor to windward in the case of some boys. The thought of some one waiting for them, counting on them, will, more than anything else, make them hold back and think twice before plunging into situations which might mean harm and unhappiness for them."

"We have raised the cleanest army in the world. We have kept it clean. We hope to bring it back as clean and strong as it was when it left us. But while we believe our soldiers will stand the present test—the hardest of all in some ways—as bravely and successfully as they have stood every other test of their manhood and endurance, it is our duty to give them all the help we can."

"This, as I have said, can best be rendered by means of letters which will begin now, at once, not only to satisfy their home longings, but to turn their thoughts from tasks already accomplished to the long years of life ahead of them."

HOME FOLKS MUST HELP.

Washington.—(Special.)—The War Department Commission on Training Camp Activities has hit upon an important and entirely new idea in the "Letters-from-home" plan just announced.

Full the boys through the most trying period of their service by writing the right kind of letters, letters full of the home feeling, the mother feeling. This appeal is made to mothers, fathers, sisters and sweethearts by the War Department. It is hoped that millions of inspiring letters will be written the week of December 15, designated as "Letters-from-home" week. Pulpit and press are co-operating to make a great success of the plan.

Suggestion for Mother's Letter.

Son of Mine: They're sending you home to me at last. Through all these months of waiting and longing I've been wearing a star for you and holding my head high and thinking wonderful thoughts about you. I've watched you through ocean mists and dreamed anxious dreams. Yes, and cried a little, too, but not when people could see.

And now you're coming home. Oh, it seems too good to be true. I've just read your letters again. They say so much more than you ever thought when you were writing them. Just happenings—that's all most of the things you wrote about were to you. But to me they said you were facing the biggest thing in life, facing it bravely, as I should want my son to face it. You were offering your body and your soul for a thing bigger than you or me or America.

When I wrote to you I tried to write cheerful, encouraging letters, because I did not want you to go into battle feeling that I was holding you back from the big sacrifice. It's only now, when the fighting is over, that I can let down a little and be just your mother, just the woman who loves you better than anything else in the world and is so glad to know you're coming back to her that she doesn't care who sees her cry.

Perhaps for some of the boys who have stood with you so finely through these trials the fighting is not yet all over. The fighting I mean is that between a man and himself, and for many of them this will be the hardest battle of all. During the long days and evenings of waiting before they can start for home thoughts will creep into their minds which will be hard to resist. There will be times after all these months of action when the longing for change and for the companionship of women may lead them into associations which will spoil their homecoming and cause them shame and humiliation, and even perhaps make them unfit to receive the love that awaits them here.

You, dearest boy, are just as human as your comrades, and feelings like these may come to you too. I don't ask you to crush them. They are natural, and they only prove that war has failed to dry up the well spring of your emotions. I ask you only to recognize them when they come and to control them with the fine strength you have gained while fighting for the ideals and principles of America. Just remember that many joyous years of life are ahead of you and that the risk of spoiling them and the love that will fill them is too tremendous to run for a short hour of seeming pleasure.

Many of the boys who will come home with you have no mothers to write to them. Some of them may think that no one cares what they do. But somebody does care. America cares. And the girls they will marry some day care. And, oh, the difference it will make in their lives if they will just remember that there is always somebody, always!

Help them to remember. Help them to come home clean and fine. Don't let them spoil everything now. They have been so splendid. If you think this letter will help them give it to them. If they have no mothers let me be their mother until they have come back and taken the high places that await them here. Tell them to write to me. How I should treasure their letters!

And, of course, you will write to me. Just say that you understand—that you know why I have written this letter. Then I can wait months—yes, even years—knowing that you will come home to me as fine and clean as you were when I sent you away to camp so long ago. MOTHER.

RED CROSS MUST CONTINUE WORK

Copy of night letter received from George W. Simmons from Washington, Washington, D. C. Dec. 3, 1918.

To All Chapters and Branches, Southwestern Division, American Red Cross, St. Louis, Mo.

Chairman Davison announces that until allied governments have formulated definite plans, Red Cross cannot make definite future plans, but it seems assured that present Division and Chapter Organizations will be maintained available for future calls as needs may develop. Immediate need of refugee garments and knitting is imperative and present quotas should be pushed. Furthermore, it is clear that with the expected returns from the Christmas Roll Call, funds sufficient for probable requirements will remain in Chapter and National treasuries, therefore as far as can now be seen there will be no War Fund Campaign for future funds. Hence Chapters should impress all citizens that Christmas Roll Call offers the one great opportunity to respond to Red Cross as they will not be asked for large amounts of money next spring. I expect to continue my Red Cross work as in the past and call upon all Chapter Officials to do the same as a patriotic duty not yet completed.

George W. Simmons, Manager.

Stockholders Meeting

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stock holders of the Haskell National Bank of Haskell, Texas, will be held in the offices of said bank in the city of Haskell, State of Texas, at 2 o'clock p. m., the 2nd Tuesday in January A. D. 1919, the same being the 14th day of said month for the purpose of electing a board of directors for said bank and transaction of such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

R. C. COUCH, Cashier.

Mrs. Barnett Dead

Mrs. Ella Ruth Barnett, wife of J. S. Barnett, died at Cleburne, Texas, on Friday, December 6th, of influenza. The remains were shipped here for burial, arriving on the Saturday morning train. Services were held at Willow Cemetery Saturday morning at 10:30, conducted by Rev. J. H. Edmonds, pastor of the Baptist Church at Rule.

Mrs. Barnett's maiden name was Griffin. She was born in Franklin County Tennessee, December 18, 1867. She was converted and joined the Baptist Church in early life. She was married to J. S. Barnett, December 20th, 1882 in Milam County Texas. To this union, nine children were born, all of whom are still living, except John, the oldest son, who passed away on September 22.

The Free Press joins the many friends of the family in extending sympathy in this hour of sorrow.

DO YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING WHILE THE SHOPPING IS GOOD

It has been said by the sage of old that "procrastination is the thief of time," and this seems to be the case with most people when it comes to Christmas shopping. Most of us are prone to put off to the very last the purchases we are going to make, and as a consequence the stores are crowded and we are unable to get the service and as good selections as we would if we attended to our Christmas shopping early in the holiday season. So kind friend, we admonish you to hit the trail and wind up that holiday shopping right away, and avoid the rush and confusion of the last days.

MILLION BRITISH KILLED AS RESULT OF WAR

It is officially announced that during the war the forces of Great Britain actually lost nearly 1,000,000 men killed or dead through various causes.

Recently it was stated that British losses totaled 638,704, but this number did not take into consideration men who were reported missing who actually lost their lives, but of whom there is no trace, nor did it account for men who died at the front from sickness.

Stockholders Meeting

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stock holders of the First State Bank of O'Brien, Texas, will be held in the offices of said bank in the city of O'Brien, State of Texas, at 2 o'clock p. m., the 2nd Tuesday in January A. D. 1919, the same being the 14th day of said month for the purpose of electing a board of directors for said bank and transaction of such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

T. E. ROBBINS, Cashier.

Joe Stastay of Welbert renews for another year. Thanks, Joe.

Last week, in making mention of W. B. Anthony of Austin visiting here, we stated that he was the Chief of Police of that city when we should have said that he was Police Commissioner.

Christmas Seals

By CLARISSA MACKIE

T was only a few days before Christmas, and little Amy Wells was so happy. The teacher had given her some Red Cross seals to sell, and when Miss Smith had distributed the red and white and green seals among her scholars she had explained to them all about the purpose of the Red Cross society and how the money earned would be used to help the wounded soldiers.

And she had not sold one single, solitary stamp of her twenty-five! How she had trudged around from door to door, only to meet the same kind smile and shake of the head! Amy told her mother, and when Mrs. Wells offered to buy all the stamps herself the little girl shook her head.

"I ought to be able to sell them outside my home, mother, dear," she said. "That would be real work."

Mrs. Wells sighed and smiled. She couldn't very well afford to buy even the twenty-five stamps that Amy wanted to sell, for every penny was needed in that little household. Mr. Wells had died a year or two before, and Amy's mother had to sew for a living. She was very busy, for she was trying to finish some work so as to receive the money in time to buy something for Christmas.

"Kiss me, little daughter," Mrs. Wells said, with a smile, "and then carry this dress up to Miss Granger on the hill."

The Grangers lived in a big house at the top of the hill. It was quite the largest house in Little River, and the three ladies lived there alone with two servants. They were Miss Belle Granger, Miss Lucy and Miss Beth. They were not very young, but they were very kind and sweet.

The maid admitted Amy to the front hall, all warm and glowing from a great fire on the hearth.

"How do you do, Amy? Wouldn't you like one of these little mince tarts?"

"I hope you will have a happy Christmas," Miss Lucy said.

"And there was Miss Beth Granger with a plate of mince tarts. "Oh, thank you!" gasped Amy as she took one.

"Wait a moment and Annie will wrap it in a paper napkin so you can carry it home," said Miss Beth as she pressed a button for the maid. But when Annie came with the paper napkin, which was all gay with holly and Christmas bells, Miss Ruth put all the mince tarts in it and gave it to Amy.

"Oh, thank you so much!" repeated Amy, thinking how her mother would enjoy the tarts. "Mother sent the dress."

"My sister is trying it on," said Miss Beth. "Wait a moment, Amy, and I will get the money for you."

She had just disappeared when Miss Lucy Granger came bustling through the hall. "I wonder if you would mail these little packages for me, Amy?" she said. "I am so provoked because I have used up my Christmas seals."

"Of course I will mail the packages, Miss Lucy," said Amy; then she added shyly, "I—I have some Christmas seals if you would like them."

"You have? How very fortunate!" Amy told her about the seals and how she had been unable to sell even one of them. To her great joy Miss Lucy bought the whole twenty-five and put the money in Amy's pocketbook, together with a bright silver quarter for herself. "I hope you will have a very happy Christmas, dear," Miss Lucy said.

The next day Amy took the Red Cross money to her teacher, and Miss Smith told her she had done very well. Early Christmas morning the Granger auto car stopped before the Wells' door, and the chauffeur brought in a great basket for Mrs. Wells. There was a new dress for Amy, with a warm cloak for her mother, besides a cunning doll. The bottom of the basket was filled with good things to eat.

"My Christmas week began with tears," laughed Amy as bright drops fell on her round cheeks, "and it is ending in tears too."

"Tears of happiness, darling," said her mother.

WILL YOU PLANT A VICTORY GARDEN FOR 1919?

E. W. Kirkpatrick, of McKinney, president of the Texas Industrial Congress, has addressed an open letter to the people of Texas, as follows:

"Do you know that there are millions of men, women and children in Europe who are slowly starving to death; that late official reports from war-stricken countries voice the fear that there will be more deaths from starvation than from the four years' war; that every child in Poland over one and under six years of age has died from starvation or from diseases attributable to the lack of proper food for growing children; that 10,000,000 people in remote portions of Russia must inevitably starve to death this winter before food can reach them; that the anarchistic reign of terror in Russia today has its genesis in hunger-madness; that if every person in the world should eat only three times a day the present supply of cattle and hogs combined would last but eight days; that there has been a steady increase in the world's population and a corresponding increase in the demand for food, while during the last twenty years there has been a decrease in the number of food producers; that war conditions have not caused, but merely hastened, the prevailing scarcity of food; that the time is not far distant when hunger will visit our own homes unless the supply of food is made to equal the demand for food?"

"The Texas Industrial Congress has foreseen this food shortage and for many years endeavored to effect an increase in the quantity of food and feed-stuffs raised, through the diffusion of knowledge concerning farming methods which will increase crop yields. It is continuing this constructive work, and is at present devoting its energies and resources especially to the promotion of home gardens."

"The Congress is co-operating with the Federal Food Administration in a state-wide campaign for a million home gardens, not that the production of field crops has become of minor importance, but the extreme world need for food demands that every man, woman and child in America shall 'lend a hand' of helpfulness to hunger-suffering humanity, and the Congress believes that individual help can best be rendered through the medium of the home garden."

"By supplying the home table with wholesome vegetable food the demand for dried, canned and packaged foods which have to be shipped into the state will be greatly lessened. This will serve the double purpose of releasing both food for the hungry people of Europe and railroad car space for the transportation of food to seaports for shipment abroad."

"Planting gardens in the back yards of homes in cities and towns or on the farms is the most practical way by which many may serve our country, ourselves and hungry people 'over there'."

"I shall plant a garden. Will you?"

"If you will, and have not already done so, please register your garden by the Texas Industrial Congress to it for one at Dallas. Should you pledge it contains—a simple and unimpaired promise to grow a garden—enrolls you as a member of the Patriotic Garden League of Texas."

Stockholders Meeting

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stockholders of the Farmers State Bank of Haskell, Texas, will be held in the offices of said bank in the city of Haskell, State of Texas, at 2 o'clock p. m., the 2nd Tuesday in January A. D. 1919, the same being the 14th day of said month for the purpose of electing a board of directors for said bank and transaction of such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

O. E. Patterson, Cashier.

8,500,000 LETTERS FROM SOLDIERS LEAVE FRANCE

Three shipments of homebound mail from the American Army, totaling 8,500,000 letters, left France between Nov. 2 and Dec. 2. The increase is believed to be due to the fathers' letters which the men of the army had been asked to write on Nov. 24, the fathers at home being likewise requested to write to their sons that day.

Mrs. J. M. Banks left Thursday night for Stamford, where she will visit her son, who underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Stamford Sanitarium the first of the week. He is reported to be getting along nicely.

Stockholders Meeting

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stockholders of the Welbert State Bank of Welbert, Texas, will be held in the offices of said bank in the city of Welbert, State of Texas, at 2 o'clock p. m., the 2nd Wednesday in January A. D. 1919, the same being the 8th day of said month for the purpose of electing a board of directors for said bank and transaction of such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

ALVY R. COUCH, Cashier.

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the paper which reaches you first and regularly with the Associated Press dispatches with the worlds latest news, and

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For Only \$4.50

To take advantage of this reduction in price you should place your subscription with this office at once as it cannot and will not be continued long. At this price you are buying a Daily paper including the Sunday issue together with your local paper, and you are buying the two for the price of one.

SEE

THE HEROINE of the LUSITANIA Beautiful

RITA JOLIVET

in LEST WE FORGET

METRO'S Great War Spectacle

DICK'S THEATRE Tuesday and Wednesday December 24th and 25th

Card of Thanks

To my friends who through my lingering illness remembered me with fruits and many beautiful flowers...

Mrs. S. G. Dean.

R. W. Tyson will appreciate your drayage business. Give him a trial.

Catarh Cannot Be Cured with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions...

BRUSHEY

After so much bad weather, we have had one of the finest snows the country has seen in several years and one that will be of untold benefit to the small grain.

We think that Haskell county has the finest prospects for a grain crop that she has ever had at this time of the year and we hope that it will continue.

The Sunday School has been re-organized at this place, with Bro. Williams as superintendent. We know that he will make a good one from past experience.

The influenza seems to be taking a new start in this community, and it is reported that several have taken it the second time. The writer has had no experience with it, and neither do we want any, being entirely willing to take the other fellow's word as to it being bad company.

Miss Lillian Earnest visited friends at Goree Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Poer are expecting their daughter, Miss Lelia, to return home soon. She has been visiting in Hubbard City for some time.

Brushy Kid.

When you have BACKACHE the liver or kidneys are sure to be out of gear. Try SANOL, it does wonders for the liver, kidneys, and bladder. A trial will convince you. Get it at the drug store.

Card of Thanks

We wish to take this method of thanking the many kind friends and neighbors for the many kindnesses shown us in the illness and death of our husband, son, and brother. Especially do we wish to thank Drs. Cummins and Kimbrough. May God's richest blessings rest upon you all.

Mrs. Ella V. Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Williams and Family, Henry and Maggie Williams, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Davis.

Germany may try some tricks at the peace table, but they are doomed to the same defeat that those on the field of battle met with.

No Worms in a Healthy Child

All children troubled with worms have an unhealthy color, which indicates poor blood, and as a rule, there is more or less stomach disturbance. GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC given regularly for two or three weeks will enrich the blood, improve the digestion, and act as a General Strengthening Tonic to the whole system.

U. S. HEALTH SERVICE ISSUES WARNING

Increase in All Respiratory Diseases After the Influenza Epidemic Probable.

Influenza Expected to Lurk for Months. How to Guard Against Pneumonia. Common Colds Highly Catching—Importance of Suitable Clothing—Could Save 100,000 Lives.

Washington, D. C.—With the subsidence of the epidemic of influenza the attention of health officers is directed to pneumonia, bronchitis and other diseases of the respiratory system which regularly cause a large number of deaths, especially during the winter season.

"The present epidemic," said Surgeon General Blue, "is taught by winter experience how readily a condition beginning apparently as a slight cold may go on to pneumonia and death. Although the worst of the epidemic is over, there will continue to be a large number of scattered cases, many of them mild and unrecognized, which will be danger spots to be guarded against."

"Then you fear another outbreak of influenza?" he was asked. "Not necessarily another large epidemic," said the Surgeon General, "but unless the people learn to realize the seriousness of the danger they will be compelled to pay a heavy death toll from pneumonia and other respiratory diseases."

Common Colds Highly Catching.

"It is encouraging to observe that people are beginning to learn that ordinary coughs and colds are highly catching and are spread from person to person by means of droplets of germ laden mucus. Such droplets are sprayed into the air when careless or ignorant people cough or sneeze with out covering their mouth and nose."

"It is also good to know that people have learned something about the value of fresh air. In summer, when people are largely out of doors, the respiratory diseases (coughs, colds, pneumonia, etc.) are infrequent; in the fall, as people begin to remain indoors, the respiratory diseases increase; in the winter, when people are prone to stay in badly ventilated, overheated rooms, the respiratory diseases become very prevalent."

Suitable Clothing Important.

"Still another factor in the production of colds, pneumonia and other respiratory diseases is carelessness or ignorance of the people regarding suitable clothing during the seasons when the weather suddenly changes, sitting in warm rooms too heavily dressed or, what is even more common, especially among women, dressing so lightly that windows are kept closed in order to be comfortably warm. This is a very injurious practice."

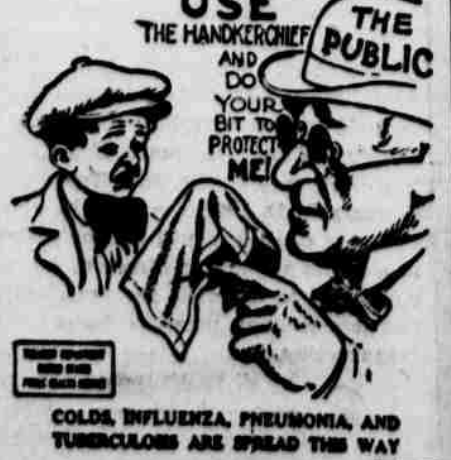
Could Save 100,000 Lives.

"I believe we could easily save one hundred thousand lives annually in the United States if all the people would adopt the system of fresh air living followed, for example, in tuberculosis sanatoria. There is nothing mysterious about it—no specific medicine, no vaccine. The important thing is right living, good food and plenty of fresh air."

Droplet Infection Explained in Pictures.

"The Bureau of Public Health, Treasury Department, has just issued a striking poster drawn by Berrymann, the well-known Washington cartoonist. The poster exemplifies the modern method of health education. A few years ago, under similar circumstances, the health authorities would have issued an official dry but scientifically accurate bulletin teaching the role of droplet infection in the spread of respiratory diseases. The only ones who would have understood the bulletin would have been those who already knew all about the subject."

The man in the street, the plain citizen and the many millions who toil for their living would have had no time and no desire to wade through the technical phraseology."



USE THE HANDKERCHIEF AND DO YOUR BIT TO PROTECT ME! COUGHS, INFLUENZA, PNEUMONIA, AND TUBERCULOSIS ARE SPREAD THIS WAY

Copies of this poster can be obtained free of charge by writing to the Surgeon General, U. S. Public Health Service, Washington, D. C.

ADVICE TO "FLU" CONVALESCENTS

SPAIN AND ENGLAND REPORT INCREASE IN TUBERCULOSIS AFTER INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC.

U. S. Public Health Service Warns Public Against Tuberculosis, One Million Cases Tuberculosis in United States—Each a Source of Danger.

Influenza Convalescents Should Have Lungs Examined—Colds Which Hang On Often Beginning of Tuberculosis. No Cause for Alarm if Tuberculosis is Recognized Early—Patent Medicines Not to Be Trusted.

- Beware tuberculosis after influenza. No need to worry if you take precautions in time. Don't diagnose your own condition. Have your doctor examine your lungs several times at monthly intervals. Build up your strength with right living, good food and plenty of fresh air. Don't waste money on patent medicines advertised to cure tuberculosis. Become a fresh-air crank and enjoy life.

Washington, D. C. (Special).—According to a report made to the United States Public Health Service, the epidemic of influenza in Spain has already caused an increase in the prevalence and deaths from pulmonary tuberculosis. A similar association between influenza and tuberculosis was recently made by Sir Arthur Newsholme, the chief medical officer of the English public health service, in his analysis of the tuberculosis death rate in England.

In order that the people of the United States may profit by the experience of other countries Surgeon General Rupert Blue of the United States Public Health Service has just issued a warning emphasizing the need of special precautions at the present time. "Experience seems to indicate," says the Surgeon General, "that persons whose resistance has been weakened by an attack of influenza are peculiarly susceptible to tuberculosis. With millions of its people recently affected with influenza this country now offers conditions favoring the spread of tuberculosis."

One Million Consumptives in the United States.

"Then you consider this a serious menace?" was asked. "In my opinion it is, though I hasten to add it is distinctly one against which the people can guard. So far as one can estimate there are at present about one million cases of tuberculosis in the United States. There is unfortunately no complete census available to show exactly the number of tuberculous persons in each state despite the fact that most of the states have made the disease reportable. In New York city, where reporting has been in force for many years, over 35,000 cases of tuberculosis are registered with the Department of Health. Those familiar with the situation believe that the addition of unrecognized and unreported cases would make the number nearer 50,000. The very careful health survey conducted during the past two years in Framingham, Mass., revealed 200 cases of tuberculosis in a population of approximately 15,000. If these proportions hold true for the United States as a whole they would indicate that about one in every hundred persons is tuberculous. Each of these constitutes a source of danger to be guarded against."

What to Do.

In his statement to the public Surgeon General Blue points out how those who have had influenza should protect themselves against tuberculosis. "All who have recovered from influenza," says the Surgeon General, "should have their lungs carefully examined by a competent physician. In fact, it is desirable to have several examinations made a month apart. Such examinations cannot be made through the clothing nor can they be carried out in two or three minutes. If the lungs are found to be free from tuberculosis every effort should be made to keep them so. This can be done by right living, good food and plenty of fresh air."

Danger Signs.

The Surgeon General warned especially against certain danger signs, such as "decline" and "colds which hang on."

These, he explained, were often the beginning of tuberculosis. "If you do not get well promptly, if your cold seems to hang on or your health and strength decline, remember that these are often the early signs of tuberculosis. Place yourself at once under the care of a competent physician. Tuberculosis is curable in the early stages. Patent Medicines Dangerous in Tuberculosis.

"Above all do not trust in the misleading statements of unscrupulous patent medicine makers. There is no specific medicine for the cure of tuberculosis. The money spent on such medicines is thrown away; it should be spent instead for good food and decent living."



RITA JOLIVET in "LEST WE FORGET"

SEIZED STEAMERS

LOANED BY U. S.

The Martha Washington, one of the German ships which was seized by the Government at the opening of hostilities with Germany, was used for the staging of scenes in Metro's great screen spectacles "Lest We Forget," starring Rita Jolivet, which comes to Dick's Theatre on Tuesday and Wednesday, December 24th and 25th. The Martha Washington is one of the largest vessels taken over and renamed by the United States.

Owing to the prevalence of spies and mischief makers of all sorts, visitors were excluded from the alien ships interned in the port, but in the case of Miss Jolivet, the Government lifted the ban, as "Lest We Forget" is a vivid

screen presentation of the causes contributing to the American entry into the war.

This leviathan was used for the staging of scenes showing the panic of the passengers on the ill-fated Lusitania, the sinking of which forms one of the impressive spectacular features in this wonderful picture. In picturing the disaster, the key waters of New York Bay provided a realistic setting for the scenes showing the escape of passengers from the sinking ship. At one time there were two hundred people floundering about in the water before the battery of cameras. A host of expert swimmers was engaged to swim in these water scenes. Many sensational and thrilling scenes of realism were staged on the borrowed liner.

VERNON

We are having some pretty weather, which is sure fine on the wheat.

Mrs. J. A. Fullbright, Lona and J. T. Fullbright and Maggie Proctor spent Thursday at Mrs. U. D. Thompson's of the Flat Top community.

Mrs. C. F. Davis spent Wednesday night in Stamford with her sister, Mrs. E. W. King.

Mrs. Tom Briden and daughter Gertrude of Center Point called at the home of Mrs. J. A. Fullbright Friday afternoon.

Walter Davis of the Flat Top ranch spent Saturday night and Sunday with home folks.

Miss Emma Briden and Miss Freda Schanck spent Friday night and Saturday with Miss Gertrude Briden of Center Point.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sutherland and family of Aspermont were in our midst Sunday.

J. B. Smith was in Stamford Thursday and Friday on business.

B. W. Pennell went to Stamford Saturday after wheat.

Miss Gertrude Briden of Center Point spent Saturday night and Sunday with her cousin, Miss Emma Briden.

J. B. Smith, Jr., and Misses Lona and Flora Fullbright, Hazel and Ethel Armstrong went to the river Sunday afternoon by the way of Sagerton. Bashful Jane.

Resolution of Respect

We your committee, appointed to draft resolutions upon the death of Bro. John H. Bennett, beg leave to submit the following:

Whereas, on the 12th day of September, 1918, our Heavenly Father saw fit to remove from our midst Brother John F. Bennett. In his death our lodge has lost a true brother and his wife and children have lost a kind and devoted husband and father, and the community a most worthy and upright citizen.

Therefore, Be It Resolved, That while we feel our loss and that a vacancy exists in our lodge, we bow to the will of our Creator and resolve that we extend to the bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy in this hour of affliction, and resolve that a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of this lodge and a copy be sent to the family of the deceased brother, a copy be sent to the Texas Odd Fellow.

S. L. Coggins, S. J. Stovall. —Committee.

MONUMENTS AND TOMBSTONES

Best Georgia Marble. Material and Workmanship Guaranteed. Prices Reasonable. See R. A. SCRANTON, Haskell Texas. 12

LOST—Between Haskell and Stamford last Saturday, a black handbag containing papers and wearing apparel. Finder bring to F. G. Alexander & Sons and receive reward. 10p

The Quinine That Does Not Affect the Stomach. Because of its taste and inactive effect, LAXATIVE BROWN QUININE is better than ordinary quinine and does not cause nervousness or ringing in head. Remember the big name on the wrapper. Look for the signature of E. W. GROVE, M. D.

The Strong Withstand the Winter Cold Better Than the Weak

You must have Health, Strength and Endurance to fight Colds, Grip and Influenza. When your blood is not in a healthy condition and does not circulate properly your system is unable to withstand the Winter cold.

GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC Fortifies the System Against Colds, Grip and Influenza by Purifying and Enriching the Blood.

It contains the well-known tonic properties of Quinine and Iron in a form acceptable to the most delicate stomach, and is pleasant to take. You can soon feel its Strengthening, Invigorating Effect. 60c.

Notice to Tax Payers

For the purpose of collecting the taxes now due on the 1918 tax rolls, I will be at the following named places on the dates opposite their names, to-wit:

- Sagerton, Monday and Tuesday, January 6th and 7th. Rule, Wednesday and Thursday, Jan. 8th and 9th. Jud Friday January 10th. Rochester, Monday and Tuesday Jan. 13 and 14th. O'Brien, Wednesday January 15th. Brushy Thursday, January 16th. Weibert, Friday, January 17th.

On account of the fact that I only assumed charge of this office December 1st, and the rush of payments of taxes being now on hand, it will be impossible for me to make the other precincts this year, but in the future I shall make each precinct, and for the convenience of the tax payers at the following places, I will collect for Joe Bailey, Bunker Hill and Willow Park at sagerton, and Cliff at O'Brien, and Cottonwood at Weibert.

C. D. Long, Tax Collector, Haskell County, Texas.

A TEXAS WONDER

The Texas Wonder for kidney and bladder troubles, gravel, diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women. Regulates bladder troubles in children. If not sold by your druggist will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1.25. Only small bottle is two months treatment and often cures. Send for sworn testimonials. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive street, St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists.

ETRAYED—From Joe Pace's pasture 5 miles southwest of town, red muley cow three years old. No brand. May have young calf. Phone J. A. Frazier for reward. 2tc

Now that the sugar ration has been abandoned life will be a lot sweeter for the American people.

A Tonic Laxative

that will remove the bile from the liver and cleanse the system thoroughly without causing or stimulating the stomach is only a Puritan Laxative.

LAX-FOG WITH PEPER is the name of a British and Puritan Laxative which can remove the bile from the liver, cleanse the system, and does not cause nervousness or ringing in head. Remember the big name on the wrapper. Look for the signature of E. W. GROVE, M. D.

Money To Loan on Land

I can loan you money on your land at eight per cent, and if you want more than \$2,000.00, I can get it at 7 1/2 per cent interest. I can make the loan for 5 years and give option to pay part or all at the end of any year, or for 7 or 10 years with option of paying one-fifth at the end of any year, after two years. In fact, I can give you any kind of repayment you want. I have been loaning money for 15 years and know all the companies and their rules of doing business, and can take care of you in making you a loan, so you will not have any trouble in the future, if you want a loan changed or re-adjusted, and this is worth something to you. It will pay you to see me and let me explain to you the different loans before you make your application. See or write

P. D. SANDERS HASKELL, TEXAS

COAL - COAL - COAL

I have the following Colorado coals for sale at Oil Mill at Haskell.

Purity, Mattland, Domestic Lump and Domestic Nut

PRICE as FIXED by GOVERNMENT as FOLLOWS:

Invoice or price at mines per ton.....	\$3.85
Freight to Haskell.....	\$4.05
Embading Charges.....	\$.40
My profit, which includes war tax and shortage	\$1.60
	\$9.90 Sa'e price

I can recommend this coal highly, and will be glad to supply you. I also ask you to remember that I am the one who kept you from freezing last winter when it was hard to get. Respectfully,

F. T. SANDERS

GEORGIA FARMER TELLS OF BIG GAIN
Had Been Losing Rapidly for Many Months—Gained Twenty-Six Pounds Since He Began Taking Tanlac.

"I am in better shape every way than I have been before in many months, and have gained twenty-six pounds in weight besides since I began taking Tanlac," said M. G. Brown, a well-to-do farmer living on Route 3 out of Sparta Georgia.

"When I began taking Tanlac I had been suffering for months with nervous indigestion and other troubles," he continued. "My appetite went back on me and my stomach was in such a shape that everything I ate made me miserable. I could hardly sleep at night and I fell off in weight and strength until I hardly knew what to do. Nothing I tried helped me any and I was going down hill rapidly."

"The outlook is more favorable to me now! I started taking Tanlac a while back and it has helped me right from the start. I have taken five bottles so far and there's a world of difference in my feelings. I can sit down and eat as heartily as if I had never had a day's sickness. My nerves are as steady as a rock, I sleep like a log at night and have gained twenty-six pounds in weight and can do as big a day's work as anybody."

Tanlac is sold in Haskell by Reid's Drug Store.

Subscription Bargain

During this month we will accept subscriptions to the Abilene Morning Reporter and this paper, one year each the two for only \$4.50.

This is truly a subscription bargain and is on for only a limited time. During the coming reconstruction days you cannot afford to be without a daily newspaper, and no one, regardless of his income, can well do without his county paper. Mail or send your subscription to this office.—Adv.

Your friends can buy anything you can give them except your photograph. What could your friends appreciate more for a Christmas present than your photograph? Kodak work developed and finished. Golden Eagle Studio, Mrs. W. L. Norton, Prop., Haskell, Tex.

A. L. Smith and Mrs. Geo. Seitz of Winters was called here this week to the bedside of their brother, Judge A. J. Smith.

John R. Hutto is able to be up after an attack of the Flu—and he has not resentatives in Uncle Sam's fighting recommended it to anyone as yet.

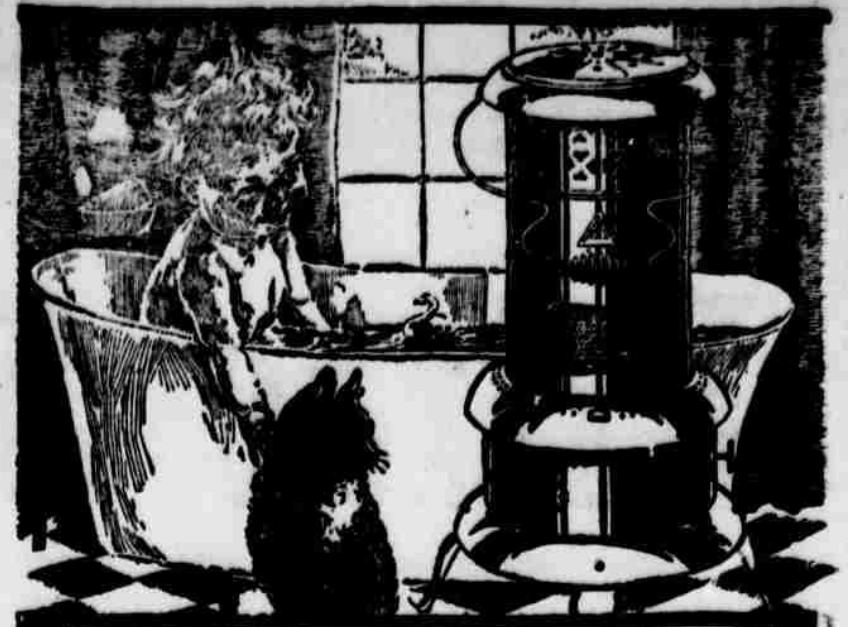
The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Scales has been very ill for several days, but is reported to be improving.

J. F. Garber, who has been in the city for several days visiting his family returned to Ranger Wednesday night.

J. E. Homesley is back on the job at the Texas Garage after a seige of the Flu.

Hollis Fields, formerly of this place, but now with the American Exchange Bank at Dallas, was in the city the first of the week.

Dr. J. C. Davis of Sagerton was in the city Tuesday on business.



WARMTH A PLENTY

Chase the chill out of your house with a Perfection Oil Heater. It warms up the bathroom in a jiffy. Heats any room quickly. Easily carried about. Buy your heater now. Keep warm and cozy. Better come in and see them right away.

McNeill & Smith Hardware Co.

PERFECTION OIL HEATERS
LOOK FOR THE TRIANGLE TRADE MARK

SWEET HOME

(The following letter was omitted last week through error—Editor.)

We had a big snow last week—snowing for 60 hours. Between 10 and 12 inches of snow fell, which puts the best season in the ground that we have had for the past two years.

Health in this community is reported to be some better.

Dee, I. N. and H. G. Bristow made a business trip to Rule last week.

Bert Hatch and family visited Newt Wilson of Cooke Springs last Friday and Saturday.

Little Misses Nevada and Annie Arnold have about recovered from the scarlet fever.

We have had no school for the past two weeks on account of the Flu and scarlet fever.

W. B. Arnold attended Court at Haskell this week.

Grandma Gilcrease of Rule is visiting her children here this week.

There will be several more acres of wheat sown in this section since the snow.

We are sorry to see no church or Sunday school at Sweet Home.

We called on our old friend Jesse D. Hall of the Rule Review at his office last Saturday and talked over old times, back in east Texas where we spent part of our boyhood days eating persimmons and "possum" hunting on the head waters of old boggy. We are glad to know that the Review will still come our way. Do your best Jesse, we are with you. Rambler.

J. M. Whitman spent Sunday and Monday with homefolks in this city, returning to Ranger Monday evening.

J. P. Patterson and family spent several days this week in Fort Worth visiting relatives and attending the Billy Sunday revival.

R. W. Cole of Rule was a business visitor in the city Monday.

John Jones of Sweetwater was transacting business in the city Monday.



IT'S YOUR DUTY

to preserve your sight, Heed Nature's warning. Don't use your old glasses until your eyes are ruined. Don't neglect the use of glasses when glasses are needed. Don't use the wrong kind of glasses. Consult an eyesight specialist.

A. F. WOODS, Optical Specialist and Graduate Optometrist.

Ross Kitchenloss of Swenson Ranch was in the city Thursday. He shipped something like 600 head of cattle to market from the Swenson Ranch.

Arthur Edwards has been confined to his bed for the past few days. Same old story—Flu.

CHICHESTER'S PILLS

DIAMOND BRAND FILLS in RED and GOLD metallic boxes, sealed with Blue Ribbon. TAKE NO OTHER. Buy of your Druggist and ask for CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND FILLS, for twenty-five years regarded as Best, Safest, Always Reliable. **SOLD BY ALL DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE** WORTH TRYING

EASING THE CARES OF SOLDIERS' FAMILIES

The ten thousand Home Service Sections of the American Red Cross, in their work of looking after the families of the enlisted men, are doing wonders for the morale of the army. Our fighters are not men who are going to worry about themselves, but if they do not get cheerful letters from home, or if anything goes wrong there, they are going to worry, and that delicate thing the army men call morale is going to be disturbed. It is to safeguard against this and also to prevent needless suffering and to promote that spirit of neighborliness and kindly aid that binds each community into an organic whole that the Home Service was organized.

Over 50,000 workers are serving on these ten thousand committees, which reach into every corner of the country, however remote. Not a town or village or crossroads that is not within reach of the Red Cross; not a wife or child or mother of a man in service who cannot claim the ready aid of the Red Cross workers.

More than 300,000 families of American soldiers and sailors have been relieved of money troubles, legal difficulties and worries of all sorts by the protecting arm of the Red Cross. If the allowances of allotments under the War Risk Insurance law do not come the matter is at once referred to Red Cross Headquarters, taken up with the proper government bureau and promptly straightened out. If, through the delay, the family finds itself in need of money sums are advanced to tide it over until the allotment arrives. During July over sixty thousand inquiries of this kind were received, and more than a third of these were taken clear through to headquarters before they could be straightened out.

Richard Nolen is up after a severe attack of the Flu.

NO ONE SUFFERED HERE.

The marvel of our voluntary food-saving, now that we are "getting results," is that no one ever actually suffered any hardship from it; that we all are better in health and spirit and better satisfied with ourselves because of our friendly self-denial.

Food control in America held the price of breadstuffs steady, prevented vicious speculation and extortion and preserved tranquillity at home.

In no other nation is there so willing a sense of voluntary self-sacrifice as in America—that was shown in the abstinence from wheat.

Find more wheat, it came; more pork, it came; save sugar, it was done. So Americans answered the challenge of German starvation.

Good will rules the new world as bear governed the old world. Through sharing food America helps make the whole world kin.

Food control made sufficiency from shortage, kept the rein on food prices, gave the nation's full strength exercise.

Starvation by Germany challenged all the world; food conservation in America answered the challenge.

Food conservation in America has been the triumph of individual devotion to the national cause.

Boyd Reid of Reid's Drug Store has taken a sudden fancy to the Flu, and is entertaining a good case of it this week.

Albert Stewart, a progressive farmer living on Route Four, sends in the price for fifty-two issues of the home paper. Thanks, Albert.

Homer Liles, who has been in training at Camp Mabry for several months, was discharged the first of the week and has returned home.

Join

All you need is a heart and a dollar

For Hogs
Barley Chops
Cocanut meal
Corn

For Cows
Ground Barley
Cocanut Meal
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He borrows \$1,000. The length of time is thirty four and a half years. The rate is five and a half per cent. Each year, in addition to interest payments he pays one per cent, or \$10 on the face of the loan in the time he pays as principal only \$345, yet the loan is paid off in full. What has become of the rest of the principal?

Put it another way. During the life of the loan, he will have paid, principal and interest, \$2,242.50. Deduct from this the amount of the principal \$1,000 and he has paid during the time only \$1,242.50 as interest for thirty four and a half years on \$1,000. Dividing this it appears that the interest rate he has paid is three and six-tenths per cent per year. Yet he thought he was paying five and one half per cent. Yet these are the facts and figures. They can be verified by anybody, and the Federal Land Bank is ready to loan millions and millions, and is doing it on these terms.

Don't let anyone mislead you about these Federal Loans...The United States Government planned them for your benefit and recommends them to you...Do you ask more?

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MEMBER FEDERAL LAND BANK, HOUSTON, TEXAS.

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We have always made it a special point to close out our millinery before the season was over, and we are going to clean up everything this season regardless of profits or cost. We have arranged a special table of Hats that are

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To close out quickly, your choice now

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To close out quickly at 33 1-3 per cent off.

A \$12.50 Skirt, to close out.....**\$8.35**

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The class of shoes we are selling today cannot be duplicated anywhere for the money. Give us only a few minutes of your time and let us show you.

A Good Work Welt Shoe, made on the Munson Army Last, for only

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A PAIR OF GLOVES
A NICE HANDKERCHIEF

A PAIR OF HOUSE SHOES
A NICE MUFFLER
A SUIT OF CURLEE CLOTHES
A PAIR OF CURLEE PANTS
A NICE DRESS SHIRT
A NICE OVERCOAT

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